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INTRODUCTION.

The working year will be ending next month, and the next issue of the Bulletin will be the last for the current year. It will be published as soon as possible after July 1st, and will contain the year's short classified notes. Members are earnestly requested to send in their notes at the earliest possible moment so that publication shall not be delayed, and to send them in in the standard form for publication. This is of great assistance to the editors. Longer notes suitable for inclusion in bulletins next year will be specially welcome. Make an effort to take an active part in the work of the Society by sending notes and by joining in the investigations. Four special investigations are being carried out, and though everyone may not have information to supply about dabchicks or banded dotterel, blackbirds and white-eyes are found everywhere and are familiar to everyone. The study of their breeding seasons is not only of local interest but fits into a worldwide survey of breeding seasons, which so far is deficient in southern hemisphere records. A short note on the breeding season investigation is included in this issue and a more detailed one will appear later.

A new feature of this issue is a brief note on the contents of the latest number of "The Emu." This journal often contains papers on New Zealand birds as well as ones of general interest, reviews of ornithological literature, etc., and so is certainly not of interest only to residents in Australia itself. The O.S.N.Z. is now a member of the R.A.O.U. and recent numbers of The Emu are available for loan to members on application to the Hon. Secretary, together with stamps for postage. It is hoped that all members who are seriously interested will themselves become full members of the R.A.O.U. and keep in touch with and help to strengthen ornithology in Australasia as a whole.

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REVIEW.

"Notes on the Southern Robin, *Miro australis*," by L. E. Richdale. (Obtainable from the author, 21, Skibo Street, Dunedin. Price 1/-, Post Free).

This eight page pamphlet gives an account of the breeding of a pair of robins in captivity in a large aviary at Gore. Nest building took about two weeks and was carried out by the female only. Incubation lasted twenty days and was also carried out only by the female, and the young left the nest three weeks after hatching. An interesting account is given of the behaviour of the male, who fed the female and drove her back to the nest if she left it, but only began to feed the chicks himself when they were ten days old. He also collected food and hid it in various places about the