

Each of the sections I have indicated present some difference in their nidification and in the colouring of their eggs, which tends to confirm the propriety of the view I have taken of the subject.

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| 156. Petroica multicolor | Vol. III. Pl. 3. |
| 157. Petroica erythrogastra | Vol. III. Pl. 4. |
| 158. Petroica Goodenovii | Vol. III. Pl. 5. |
| 159. Petroica phœnicea, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 6. |
| <i>Muscicapa erythrogaster</i> , var. Lath. Gen. Hist. vol. vi. p. 217. | |
| 160. Petroica bicolor, <i>Swains.</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 7. |
| 161. Petroica fusca, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 8. |
| <i>Muscicapa vittata</i> , Quoy et Gaim. Voy. de l'Astrolabe, pl. 3, fig. 2? | |
| 162. Petroica superciliosa, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 9. |

Genus DRYMODES, *Gould*.

Generic characters.

Bill straight, rather compressed on the sides near the tip, nearly as long as the head; a slight notch at the tip; beset at the base with a few fine bristles; *wings* moderately long, rounded, the first quill very short, the fifth the longest; *tail* rather long, slightly rounded; *tarsi* long, slender, entire before; *toes* moderately long, the outer toe rather longer than the inner; the hind-toe and nail shorter than the middle toe and nail.

The only species of this genus yet discovered ranges over the whole of the country from Southern to Western Australia. Its form is adapted for the ground, but it occasionally resorts to low shrubby trees.

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| 163. Drymodes brunneopygia, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 10. |
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Genus EÖPSALTRIA, *Swains.*

Three species of this genus are all that are yet known; two of these are natives of Western Australia, and the third of New South Wales.

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| 164. Eöpsaltria Australis | Vol. III. Pl. 11. |
| <i>Sylvia flavigastra</i> , Lath. Gen. Hist. vol. vii. p. 137? | |
| 165. Eöpsaltria griseogularis, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 12. |
| <i>Muscicapa Georgiana</i> , Quoy. et Gaim. Voy. de l'Astrolabe, pl. 3, fig. 4? | |
| 166. Eöpsaltria leucogaster, <i>Gould</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 13. |
| <i>Muscicapa gularis</i> , Quoy et Gaim. Voy. de l'Astrolabe, pl. 4, fig. 1? | |

Subfamily MENURINÆ, *G. R. Gray*.

Genus MENURA, *Dav.*

It might have been expected that the various explorations which have of late years been made into the previously unknown regions of Australia would have led to the discovery of some additional species of this genus, or of some new form more nearly allied to it than those with which it is associated, but nothing of the kind has occurred.

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| 167. Menura superba, <i>Dav.</i> | Vol. III. Pl. 14. |
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This remarkable bird is not only confined to Australia, but exclusively to the south-eastern part of the country. I regret to say that I have not been able to gain any further information respecting its nidification, although I have urged many persons in Australia to pay particular attention to the subject.