

Pilot-birds in the Australian Capital Territory. In D. J. Dickison's interesting article on the naming of the Pilot-bird, published in the June, 1960, issue of *The Australian Bird Watcher*, reference is made to the specimen of a Pilot-bird (*Pycnoptilus floccosus*) which Gould received from a collection made on the upper part of the Murrumbidgee River. The bird has apparently not subsequently been recorded from this area, but on January 15, 1961, Mr. D. Lamm, Mrs. J. Belton and I observed several Pilot-birds in the Australian Capital Territory, on the eastern slope of the Brindabella Range in the Cotter River basin, a tributary of the upper Murrumbidgee River. The birds were at an altitude of approximately 3,600 feet, roughly due east of Bull's Head. Since that time we have observed them regularly in the same area. A specimen from the region is now in the collection of the C.S.I.R.O. Wildlife Survey Section, Canberra.

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