NOTES ON THE GENUS PELECORHYNCHUS.

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During December, 1914, and January, 1915, I procured three species of this interesting and rare genus Pelecorhynchus. Two of them are already recorded from Tasmania; the third is new to Tasmania.

P. eristaloides Walk.

1 male specimen from Geeveston, 24 Dec., '14.
I took this specimen, evidently newly emerged, crawling lazily on rocky ground.

P. nigripennis Ricardo.

1 male specimen from Ranelagh, 24 Jan., '15.
Sent to me by Mrs. Lucas, of Ranelagh, and captured in the same manner as eristaloides.

P. fusconiger Walk.

1 female, and 2 male specimens, from Wynyard, 21 Jan., '15.
Moderately plentiful in this locality, but hard to catch; visits flowers. I did not see it elsewhere on the North-West Coast.

The specimens seem to agree in every respect with Miss Ricardo's description of the species, with the exception of a few minor details, upon the strength of which it would be unsafe to establish a new species. Possibly a comparison with specimens from the mainland would show this to be distinct.