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**Australian White Ibis** *Threskiornis molucca strictipennis* (Gould 1838), Vagrant (40) March 1925 Appleby, Nelson November 1975 Norfolk Island

A strange bird was seen on the mudflats at Appleby in March 1925 (Moncrieff 1925). M. Rogers saw it fly into a tree, from which he caught it using a noose on a long stick. Other White Ibises were seen at the same time in Greymouth and Rotomanu (Westland), Riwaka (Nelson) and south Taranaki, so a small invasion had occurred.