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Chatham Island Albatross *Thalassarche eremita* Murphy 1930, Endemic
2/3/1926 Pyramid Rock, Chatham Islands

Rollo H. Beck, of the Whitney South Seas Expedition, collected specimens of this Albatross from a boat near Pyramid Rock. Beck "saw a few dozen albatrosses, three hundred or so... I put out the boat and in an hour got what I wanted" (Murphy 1930). Murphy described it in 1930. The type specimen was collected on the 2nd March, out of 16 collected by Beck, on the 2nd and 3rd March.