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(Continued from the 'Advertiser' of May 13th.)

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MALCORUS GREGALIS. *Mihi*. – Above green, with a strong tinge of gray about the back of the neck and commencement of back; chin and throat pure white; wing coverts greenish brown slightly edged with greenish yellow; wing feathers inclined to brown, with the edges of their outer vanes and tips greenish yellow; tail of moderate length, slightly rounded, and of greenish brown color, with the exception of the outermost feather on each side, which is [included] in greenish yellow; legs, toes, claws, and bill, reddish brown. Length of bird nearly five inches. Inhabits the northern districts of Little Namaqualand.

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The four birds above described are known to the Dutch Colonists by the name of 'Clap claple.'

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FURNARIUS — — . *Mihi*. — Above light gray or dove colored, below white, with the sides of the breast tinged with gray, and the flanks with pale tawny; quill feathers brownish, edged on outer vanes with gray; tail slightly rounded, grayish brown, with the feathers indistinctly edged on outer vanes towards quills with white; legs, toes, claws, and bill, horn colored. Length of bird four inches and a half. Inhabits the north-east district of the Colony.
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(From a Correspondent at Clanmilliam.)
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