

es vielmehr darin mit gewöhnlichen Höckern zu thun, wie sie gerade innerhalb der *Arrenurus*-Gattung gar nicht selten auftreten. Ich werde demnächst Gelegenheit haben, auf diesen Gegenstand ausführlicher zurückzukommen.

Ebenso vermag ich bei *Arrenurus forpicatus* C. J. Neuman bei keiner Lage des Männchens einen Petiolus zu erkennen, den Piersig bei genannter Art aufgefunden haben will (daselbst p. 414) und den er als klein und meißelförmig bezeichnet. Ein so beschaffenes Gebilde beobachte ich allerdings in der muldenförmigen Vertiefung auf dem Körperanhange, das indes keineswegs ein Petiolus ist, sondern ein dem Panzer aufgewachsenes Chitinband, das zu einer festeren Verbindung des nur hier auf einer kurzen Strecke mit dem Bauchpanzer verwachsenen Rückenpanzers mit dem vorhergehenden dient.

Bremen, den 1. December 1892.

II. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

20th December, 1892. — A letter was read from Dr. A. B. Meyer, of Dresden, C.M.Z.S., respecting the occurrence of a Monkey (*Semnopithecus nemaeus*) in Hainan. — A communication was read from the Rev. T. R. R. Stebbing, entitled »Descriptions of Nine new Species of Amphipodous Crustaceans from the Tropical Atlantic«. This communication contained descriptions and figures of some new Hyperidean Amphipoda collected by Mr. John Rattray, when on board the »Buccaneer« at the beginning of 1886. The specimens had been taken in the tropical Atlantic off the west coast of Africa by a series of »tow-nettings« carried on at the expense of Dr. John Murray and Mr. J. Y. Buchanan. — Dr. Hans Gadow, F.R.S., gave an account of the remains of some gigantic Land-Tortoises and of *Didosaurus* recently discovered in Mauritius, along with the bones of the Dodo described in a previous communication by Sir Edward Newton and himself. The remains of the Tortoises were referred to *Testudo indica*, *T. triserrata*, *T. inepta*, and to two new forms proposed to be called *T. Sauzieri* and *T. Soumeirei*, the latter being possibly related to the gigantic Tortoises of Aldabra. Along with these Tortoises were found numerous bones of the extinct Lizard, *Didosaurus mauritianus*, of which an account was also given. — Mr. F. E. Beddard, F.R.S., gave descriptions of some new species of Earthworms from various localities — belonging to the genera *Octochaetus*, *Acanthodrilus*, *Benhamia*, *Microdrilus*, *Perionyx*, *Moniligaster*, *Notykus*, *Trichochaeta*, and *Ilyogenia*. Of these nine genera *Octochaetus*, *Microdrilus*, and *Ilyogenia* were characterized as new to science. — Mr. R. H. Burne, F.Z.S., read a note on the presence in the Common Hag (*Myxine glutinosa*) of a branchial basket, which had not been previously recognized in this fish, though already described in the Larger Hag (*M. bdelostoma*). — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

November 30th, 1892. — 1) On the supposed New Zealand Species of *Leptopoma*. By O. F. von Möllendorff, Ph.D. (Communicated by C.

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