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II. Mitteilungen aus Museen, Instituten usw.

1. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

Abstract of Proceedings, June 29th, 1910. — Mr. D. G. Stead recorded, as an addition to the fish-fauna of New South Wales, a species of Serranid Perch, *Diagramma crassispinum* Rüppel (= *D. affine* Günther), a fine example of which, measuring 674 mm, and weighing $16\frac{1}{4}$ lbs., had been received by the Department of Fisheries, early in May from Port Macquarie. He also placed on record the second known occurrence of the Pristipomatid fish, *Therapon jarbua* (Forsk.); a specimen, measuring 143,5 mm, having been received from the same locality. Mr. Stead also showed a piece of conglomerate, presenting a blood-red appearance, from a river-bar in the Barwon River—an interesting spot because of suggestive remains of native fish-traps still to be seen there. — Mr. A. R. McCulloch exhibited, by permission of the Curator of the Australian Museum, a small sunfish, *Ranzania makua* Jenkins, which had been forwarded to Sydney by the Curator of the West Australian Museum. This species has hitherto been recorded from Honolulu and Japan only, though a specimen has been in the Australian Museum for many years, which was received from Mauritius. Also young specimen of *Cyttus noraexlandiae* Clarke, from the Viktorian coast. They differed from the description of the adult in lacking several important characters, but their identity with the New Zealand species was proved by Mr. Waite, who had compared specimens of different sizes from both localities. A half-grown specimen, from New Zealand, was also exhibited for comparison. — Mr. T. Steel exhibited a quantity of the dead bodies of an ant *Iridomyrmex nitidus* Mayr, from Herbert River, Queensland, found in March, 1908, in numerous little heaps scattered over the surface of the ground. The heaps varied from a few dozen bodies to many thousands. The ants were busy bringing the bodies and placing them on the heaps. Could this mortality have been due to an epidemic of some sort? Microscopically the ants exhibit no injury or give any indication of the cause of death. 1) Monograph of the genus *Synthemis* (Neuroptera: Odonata). By R. J. Tillyard M.A., F.E.S. — The most important points discussed are: — 1) The position of the genus in the subfamily Corduliinae. The view is put forward that it should be separated from the *Mueromina*, so as to constitute a subgroup *Synthemina*. Reasons for this are given, both in the remarkable differences of the larvae, and in the neuration of the imagines. 2) Subdivision of the

genus itself. An attempt is made at an admittedly difficult task; the genus being divided into *Synthemis s. str.* (9 species; type, *S. eustalacta* Burm.), *Metathemis* (4 species; type, *S. guttata* Selys), and *Choristhemis* (2 species; type, *S. flavoterminalata* Martin). 3) Descriptions of all the species. One new species, *S. tasmanica*, is added. 4) Lifehistories of the five species, *S. eustalacta* Burm., *S. regina* Selys, *S. macrostigma* Selys, *M. guttata* Selys, and *C. flavoterminalata* Martin. The larvae possess many peculiar and interesting characteristics. Two coloured plates of the species are given, also plates illustrating wing-venation, male and female appendages larva, labia and gizzard of same. — 2) Studies in Australian Entomology. No. 16. New Species of Carabidae. By T. G. Sloane. — A new genus, *Stichonotus*, referable to the subfamily Carabinae, and eighteen species belonging to the subfamily Harpalinae, are described as new, including a species of the Asiatic genus *Holcoderus*, now first recorded from Australia. — 3) The Entomological Fauna of Naru Island, of the Ocean Island Group. By W. W. Froggatt, F.L.S. — 4) Description of a new Species of *Lepidosperma* (Cyperaceae) from the Port Jackson District: with some miscellaneous Botanical Notes. By A. A. Hamilton.

2. Ergänzungen und Nachträge zu dem Personalverzeichnis zoologischer Anstalten.

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Entsprechend dem Beschluß der letzten Jahresversammlung wurde die 20. nur als eine Geschäftssitzung abgehalten. Sie fand am 19. August um 3 Uhr unter dem Vorsitz des Herrn Prof. Dr. Zschokke im Zoologischen Institut in Graz statt. Es nahmen an ihr 17 Mitglieder teil. Der Schriftführer verlas den Geschäftsbericht. Nach der Prüfung des Rechenschaftsberichtes durch die Herren Prof. Dr. Hesse und F. Winter wurde ihm Entlastung erteilt. Es wurde beschlossen, den Bericht erst im nächsten Jahre erscheinen zu lassen und ferner den Druck der Verhandlungen künftig auf eigene Kosten zu besorgen und sie bei der Verlagsbuchhandlung W. Engelmann in Leipzig in Kommission erscheinen zu lassen.

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