

tated by incomparably rich museum and conservatory material available there Ferns having in very numerous instances an unusually wide range of natural distribution.

*Polypodium Macgregorii* Baker, near *P. rigescens* Bory.

*P. Ludovicianum* Baker, near *P. palmatum* Blume, both from the Louisiades.

*P. oblanceolatum* Baker, near *P. ligulatum* Baker.

*P. oleandroides* Baker, near *P. Zeilanicum* Mettenius.

*P. Sucklingianum* Baker, near *P. marginellum* Swartz.

*P. conjunctisorum* Baker, near *P. moniliforme* Lagasca; those four from Mount Suckling.

*P. cucullatum* Nees.

*Hymenophyllum denticulatum* Swartz, Mr. Baker mentions as new for the Papuan Island. *Lycopodium scariosum* Forster, occurs there also, that being the most northern latitude reached by this otherwise southern plant.

Among mosslike plants occur as new according to researches of a leading specialist —

*Frullania Macgregori* Stephani, von Mount Knutsford.

*F. nobilis* Stephani, from Mount Yule.

*F. durifolia* Stephani, from Mount Suckling.

*F. seriatifolia* Stephani, from Mount Yule.

In a subsequent note Sir Ferdinand von Mueller adds: — "Among the plants is still one of more than ordinary interest, and therefore worthy of being recorded specially. It is an *Anthobolus* (*A. erythrocaulis*), of which genus hitherto no representative outside of Australia was known. It differs from *Exocarpus* mainly in its inflorescence. The Papuan congener has the leaves reduced to an denticular form; the stem is pink, the flowers are yellow. We know as yet only the pistillate plant." W. M.

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