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WHERE IS THE COLLECTION OF FRITZ MÜLLER ?

Dr. Fritz Müller in 1879 (Trans. Ent. Soc., pp. 131-144) described a number of new Trichoptera genera from Brazil based mainly on the form of the larval cases. Although he briefly mentioned the larval, pupal and adult stages he did not give adequate descriptions or figures which would enable species identification. It would therefore be necessary to examine Müller's original material to establish the true identity of these genera, but the location of his collection, if it is still in existence, does not appear to be known.

If anyone does have any knowledge of the Müller collection, therefore, I would be very interested to hear from them as I am in the process of studying the relationships and distribution of the genera of the family Hydroptilidae.

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WHERE IS KRÜPER'S MATERIAL FROM GREECE ?

In the years 1858 - 1889 Dr. Theobald Krüper undertook numerous collecting trips to various regions of Greece. He collected a wide range of insect groups, including Trichoptera. Most records of caddisflies from Greece in McLachlan's "Revision and Synopsis" are based on Krüper's material, the major part of which is now in the Vienna Natural History Museum. However, I have seen only material which was collected between 1865 and 1869. I do not know if Krüper also collected caddisflies in the other years, and I have no idea where such material might be. In the Zoological Institute of the University at Athens, Greece, I saw much material collected by Krüper, predominantly Orthoptera and Hymenoptera, but not a single caddisfly. In various years Krüper made collections in several regions of the Greek mainland such as Akarnania, Attika, Parnassos, Taygetos, Arcadia, and also on islands such as Kerkyra, Sira, Naxos, Thira, Mykonos, Paros, Milos, and the Kyklades. I wonder whether anybody knows anything about this material, or can give addresses of people who could have knowledge of it ?

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