

lange Fortexistenz ist also auch ohne Kern noch möglich, dagegen glaube ich, daß aus meinen Versuchen mit Bestimmtheit hervorgeht, daß Neubildungen ohne denselben nicht entstehen können⁵.

III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

7th June, 1887. — The Secretary read a report on the additions that had been made to the Society's Menagerie during the month of May, and called attention to a Tooth-billed Pigeon (*Didunculus strigirostris*) brought home from the Samoan Islands, and presented to the Society by Mr. Wilfred Powell, C.M.Z.S.; to two Red-spotted Lizards (*Eremias rubro-punctata*) obtained at Moses' Well, in the Peninsula of Sinai, and presented to the Society by Mr. G. Wigan; and to a small scarlet Tree-Frog (*Dendrobates tytopographus*) from Costa Rica, presented to the Society by Mr. C. H. Blomefield. — Mr. Sclater called attention to examples of two North-American Foxes now living in the Society's Gardens, which he referred to *Canis velox* and *C. virginianus*. — A communication was read from Mr. A. O. Hume, C.B., F.Z.S., containing some notes on *Budorcas taxicolor*, the Gnu-goat or Takin of the Mishmee Hills, and some remarks on the question of the form of the horns in the female of this animal. — A communication was read from Mr. E. Symonds, containing notes on various species of Snakes met with in the vicinity of Kroonstadt, Orange Free State, specimens of which had been forwarded to Mr. J. H. Gurney, and determined by Dr. Günther. — Mr. Martin Jacoby, F.E.S., gave an account of a small collection of Coleoptera obtained by Mr. W. L. Sclater in British Guiana. — Prof. G. B. Howes, F.Z.S., read a paper on an hitherto unrecognized feature in the larynx of the Anurous Amphibians. This was the existence in many individuals of various species of a rudimentary structure, which appeared to correspond to the epiglottis of Mammals, and which in some instances attained a remarkable development as an organ of voice. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

27th April, 1887. — 1) Notes on the genera of Australian fresh-water Fishes. By E. P. Ramsay, F.R.S.E., &c., and J. Douglas-Ogilby. The genus *Lates* is here divided and re-described, the new genus formed from it, (*Percalates*) having for its type *Lates colonorum*, Günther. The genera *Psam-moperca*, Richards., *Ctenolates*, Günther, and *Macquaria*, Cuv. and Val., are also re-described, and Castelnau's genera *Murrayia* and *Riverina* are made synonyms of *Macquaria*. — 2) 3) 4) Botanical. — Dr. Ramsay exhibited living specimens of the following snakes from Louth, N.S.W.: — *Aspiliotes Ramsayi*, Macl., *Dendrophis*, sp. (a beautiful snake with scarlet markings on the back), and a possibly new species of *Hoplocephalus*. — Mr. Steel exhibited a number of specimens of a pond-snail (*Physa gibbosa*, Gld.) abundant just now in an iron tank supplied with city water on the roof of the Pyrmont Refinery. — Mr. Ogilby shewed a specimen of *Solenognathus spinosissimus*,

⁵ Kürzlich sind auch von botanischer Seite sehr interessante Versuche auf diesem Gebiete gemacht worden. s. Klebs, Über den Einfluß des Kerns in der Zelle. in: Biolog. Centralbl. 7. Bd. No. 6. 1887.

presented to the Australian Museum by Mr. Dunlop, of Bondi, and one of *Macquaria australasica* referred to in the paper by Dr. Ramsay and himself. — The following note was read on behalf of Mr. John Mitchell of Bowning. »In Nicholson's 'Manual of Palæontology' it is stated that trilobites of the genus *Acidaspis* have the eyes smooth and the facial suture continuous. Some of the species occurring in the Bowning series do not conform to this rule, for two species have the eyes distinctly faceted and the facial suture apparently discontinuous. In each of the cases in which the eyes are faceted, these organs are circular and highly convex (conoid).« — The President exhibited a specimen of *Archæocyathus* sp., from Silverdale, near Yass. — Mr. Macleay exhibited specimens of *Hoplocephalus nigrescens*, Günth., and *Hoplocephalus collaris*, Macleay, from Mount Wilson; also specimens of the same snakes from elsewhere, showing the great dissimilarity of colouring in the same species from different localities. The range of *H. nigrescens* he believed to be very wide, but the present was only the second specimen of *H. collaris* which he had seen; the first, described by him some months ago in the Proceedings of this Society, having been taken in the neighbourhood of Bega. — Mr. Brazier exhibited two specimens of *Ceratella fusca*, Gray, obtained at Coogee Bay, March 7th, after an easterly gale, one specimen being of a very dark brown colour, and 3 inches long, the other of a light yellowish brown, 2 1/2 inches long.

IV. Personal-Notizen.

Charkow. Professor Dr. Alexander Brandt, bisher Professor der Zoologie am Veterinär-Institut ist zum ordentlichen Professor der Zoologie und vergleichenden Anatomie an der Universität Charkow ernannt worden.

Córdoba (Argentinien). Zum Professor der Zoologie und Director des Zoologischen Museums in Córdoba ist Dr. Johannes Frenzel (Berlin) ernannt worden. Seine Abreise dahin wird am 20. Juli erfolgen.

Graz. Dr. Joseph Heinrich List hat sich an der Universität Graz für Zoologie, vergl. Anatomie und vergl. Entwicklungsgeschichte habilitirt.

Kiel. Dr. Fr. Dahl hat sich an der Universität Kiel für Zoologie als Privatdocent habilitirt.

Necrolog.

Am 23. Januar starb in Saint-Germain-en-Laye M. Henri Brisout de Barneville, ein vorzüglicher Entomolog.

Am 17. April starb in York Mr. Thomas Wilson, ein bekannter Lepidopterolog, Hymenopterolog und Localfaunistiker.

Am 28. April starb in Plymouth Mr. John Gatecombe im 68. Jahre, ein ausgezeichneter Beobachter und Kenner der Vögel der englischen Fauna.

Am 9. Mai starb in Exeter Mr. John Hellins, 58 Jahre alt, dessen Beiträge zur Kenntnis der Verwandlungsgeschichte englischer Lepidopteren ihm einen geachteten Namen erworben haben.

Am 30. Mai endete in München der bekannte und verdiente Reisende Moritz Wagner sein Leben. Er war am 3. Oct. 1813 in Bayreuth geboren.

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