

innerhalb der Antennalgefäße, wurde auch für *Syntomis phegea* und *Macroglossa stellatarum* sichergestellt.

Bei dieser Gelegenheit will ich endlich erwähnen, daß beim Seidenspinner der *Nervus suprainestinalis* zeitweise in das Innere der Aorta eindringt, und eine Weile im Lumen derselben verläuft; dasselbe findet eben so im Larvenzustande wie bei der Imago statt, wenn auch mit jenen Modalitäten, welche die verschiedene Endigungsweise der Aorta in beiden Entwicklungsphasen mit sich bringt.

Padua, R. Stazione Bacologica Sperimentale.

4. Die Begattung der *Lacerta vivipara* (und *agilis*).

Von H. Chr. C. Mortensen.

eingeg. 13. September 1887.

Leider sind in meiner kleinen Mittheilung über diese Sache (s. Zool. Anz. 1887, No. 259) während des Reinschreibens einige Worte ausgefallen, welche die Herren Zoologen gütigst p. 464 hinzufügen wollen, so daß da zu stehen kommt:

»Diese Begattungszeichen bleiben lange (nämlich bis zum nächsten Hautwechsel) — oft Monate, in einzelnen Fällen fast den Sommer hindurch sichtbar.«

Copenhagen, 10. September 1887.

III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

31st August, 1887. — 1) Botanical. — 2) Notes on *Zelotypia Stacyi*, and an account of a Variety. By A. Sidney Olliff, F.E.S. This paper contains a few notes on the larva and pupa of the magnificent Hepialid described by the late Mr. A. W. Scott, under the name *Zelotypia Stacyi*, and a description of a variety which is named var. *sinuosa* on account of certain differences in its markings. The specimens were obtained by Mr. Thornton at Newcastle, and the larva and pupa are now in the collection of the Australian Museum. — 3) A Revision of the Staphylinidæ of Australia. Part III. By A. Sidney Olliff, F.E.S., Assistant Zoologist, Australian Museum. This paper contains descriptions of the genera and species belonging to the subfamily Staphylininæ. A number of species are characterized as new, and several genera are added to the Australian list, of which *Actinus*, *Mysolius*, and *Colonia* (n. g.) are perhaps the most interesting. Many new localities for known forms are recorded. — 4) Miscellanea Entomologica, No. 4. »The Helæides.« By William Macleay, F.L.S., &c. In this paper the winged genera of the subfamily only are included: the apterous genera are to form the subject of another paper. All the known species of *Encara* and *Pterohelæus* are re-described and grouped in sections and subsections, and a number of new species are described. — 5) Description of three new species of Mammals from North West Australia. By E. P. Ramsay, F.R.S.E. In this paper are described (1) A new species

of *Antechinus* (A. Froggatt, (2) A new Bandicoot (*Perameles auratus*), and (3) a *Mus* (M. Burtoni). The *Perameles* is allied to *P. obesula*, but is even shorter in the head, and of a rich golden-brown with black pencillings. The *Mus* may be distinguished chiefly by its uniform colour and dense soft fur. — 6) Description of two species of Australian Birds' Eggs. By A. J. North. The eggs here described are those of *Eudynamis Flindersi*, and of *Melanodryas piceata*: the paper is supplementary to that of last month by the same author. — Mr. Macleay exhibited two Snakes which Mr. Froggatt had lately sent him from Port Darwin, (1) *Brachysoma simile*, Macleay, and (2) *Furina textilis*, Dum. & Bibr. This last species he stated had been described by Dumeril and Bibron many years ago as Australian, but had been omitted from Krefft's and subsequent lists, from a mistaken idea originating, he believed, with Mr. Krefft, that it was identical with the young barred specimens of the common brown Snake *Diemenia superciliosa*. This rediscovery of the species by Mr. Froggatt terminates all doubt on this subject. — Mr. Macleay also exhibited a small *Hoplocephalus* from Cooma, almost identical in appearance with *Hoplocephalus flagellum*, M'Coy, a Melbourne species, but differing in the number of subcaudal plates, and the form of the head shields. It would be necessary to examine a number of specimens before venturing to constitute it a distinct species. — Mr. Masters exhibited a collection of Insects from Derby, King's Sound, made by Mr. Froggatt in May last. Of Coleoptera there were 240 species, more than half of them new, but, with very few exceptions, of typical Australian genera. Small *Carabidae* were numerous, but *Buprestidae*, *Cetoniidae* and other Anthophilous beetles were very few. He also exhibited from the same collection some Orthoptera, Hemiptera and Homoptera of peculiar form and appearance.

IV. Personal-Notizen.

Paris. Professor Alfr. Giard, bis jetzt in Lille, ist als Professor der Zoologie an die École Normale supérieure in Paris berufen worden. Sein Nachfolger in Lille ist noch nicht ernannt.

Necrolog.

Am 1. März starb in Wolfelee bei Hawick, N. B., Sir Walter Elliot, ein ausgezeichneter Kenner der Naturgeschichte, Ethnologie und Archäologie Ost-Indiens, welcher auch als Zoolog rühmlich bekannt ist.

Am 16. April starb in Berlin der Hof-Porträtmaler Max Mützell, als Lepidopterolog bekannt und geschätzt.

Am 29. Mai starb in Cannes der bekannte und verdiente Entomolog Pierre Millièr in seinem 74. Jahre.

Am 28. Juli starb in Spylaw, Colinton, bei Edinburg Robert Francis Logan, Entomolog, besonders Lepidopterolog.

Am 7. October starb in Leipzig Professor von Cienkowski, der rühmlichst bekannte Forscher auf dem Gebiete niederer Organismen. Geboren am 1./13. October 1822 in Warschau, bekleidete er nach einander Professuren am Lyceum zu Jaroslaw, dann in St. Petersburg, Odessa und bis zu seinem Tode in Charkow.

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