

II. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

17th February, 1891. — Mr. Edward Gerrard, Jr., exhibited an extraordinarily large head of a Koodoo Antelope (*Strepsiceros kudu*), which had been shot by Mr. F. C. Selous near the river Macloutsie, Khama's Country, South Africa, in May last. — Mr. T. D. A. Cockerell exhibited and made remarks on a curious and rather noteworthy monstrosity of a Land-shell (*Clausilia rugosa*) with two apertures. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger exhibited and made remarks on the renewed left pectoral fin of an African Lepidosiren (*Protopterus annectens*) from a living specimen in the Society's Gardens. — Mr. Boulenger also exhibited young specimens and eggs of a South-African Siluroid fish (*Galeichthys feliceps*), sent to him by Mr. J. M. Leslie, of Port Elizabeth. They had been taken from the mouth of the male parent, which carries its eggs in this extraordinary manner. — Prof. G. B. Howes read a paper on the probable existence of a Jacobson's organ among the Crocodilia, and made observations upon the skeleton of that organ in the Mammalia and upon the basimandibular elements in the Vertebrata. — Mr. R. H. Burne made some observations on the variation and development of the Leporine sternum. — Mr. Scott B. Wilson read a paper on *Chasiempis* — a genus of Muscicapine birds peculiar to the Sandwich Islands. He described one of the species inhabiting the island of Oahu as new, and named it *Chasiempis Gayi*, after Mr. F. Gay, of Kauai. The author further gave a key by which the five species of this genus inhabiting the various islands may be distinguished. — Mr. Wilson also read the description of a new bird of the genus *Himatione* — based on a single specimen obtained on the island of Maui, — naming it *Himatione Doli*, after Mr. S. B. Dole, of Honolulu. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger read a paper on some British specimens of the remains of *Homœosaurus*, and made remarks on the classification of the Rhynchocephalia. — Mr. F. E. Beddard read a preliminary account of an Earthworm from West Africa, referable to a new genus and species, which he proposed to call *Libyodrilus violaceus*. — Mr. Frank Finn gave an account of a functional Ductus Botalli which he had observed in specimens of two birds (*Nycticorax violaceus* and *Dafila spinicauda*) dissected in the Society's Laboratory. — P. L. Selater, Secretary.

2. Deutsche Zoologische Gesellschaft.

Die diesjährige Versammlung der Deutschen Zoologischen Gesellschaft findet

vom 2. bis 4. April

im zoologischen Institut zu Leipzig unter dem Vorsitze des Herrn Geheimrath Leuckart statt.

Vorträge und Demonstrationen sind möglichst bald (spätestens bis zum 10. März) beim unterzeichneten Schriftführer anzumelden.

Wünsche hinsichtlich der Zahl etc. der zu beabsichtigten Demonstrationen erforderlichen Microscope, Lupen oder anderen Apparate sind frühzeitig an das zoologische Institut zu Leipzig (betr. Deutsche Zoolog. Gesellschaft) zu richten.

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