

on the Scandinavian coasts. The specimens, six in number, all of considerable size, were described in detail, and the species was carefully compared with the allied form *M. vulgaris* (the Common Ling). Mr. Holt next proceeded to describe the »*recessus orbitalis*«, an accessory visual organ of the Pleuronectid Fishes. The organ in question was stated to be a highly elastic saccular process of the membranous wall of the orbital cavity. It had been found to occur in all the Flat-fishes examined, viz. the Halibut, Long Rough Dab, Brill, Plaice, Flounder, Lemon-Sole, Dab, and Common Sole, and was believed to occur in all Flat-fishes with well-developed eyes. Finally, Mr. Holt spoke of an adult specimen of the Common Sole with symmetrical eyes, and discussed the bearing of this specimen on ambicoloration. The specimen in question, about 15 inches long, was perfectly normal in external configuration, except that the left eye had retained its position on the left side of the head, and was nearly opposite to the right eye. Antero-ventrally it had been somewhat overgrown by the skin. The coloration was normal, the right side being brown, and the left side white. — A communication was read from Mr. St. George Littledale, containing field-notes on the Wild Camel of Lob Nor. as observed during his recent journey across Central Asia. — Mr. Oldfield Thomas gave on account of a collection of mammals from Oman, S.E. Arabia, which had been transmitted to the British Museum by Dr. A. S. G. Jayakar, C.M.Z.S., among which were examples of a new Hare (*Lepus omanensis*) and of a new Goat of the genus *Hemitragus*, proposed to be called *Jayakari*, after its discoverer. Altogether 17 species were represented in this collection, from a locality of which very little was previously known. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

III. Personal-Notizen.

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Berichtigung.

Wegen verspäteten Eingangs der Correctur konnten in dem Aufsätze in No. 446, p. 155: »Über einige Novitäten der herpetologischen Sammlung etc. von Dr. F. Werner« folgende Änderungen nicht mehr ausgeführt werden:

- p. 155, Z. 13 von unten (anstatt die kürzere) zu lesen: »die längere Schnauze (etwa $1\frac{3}{4}$ Augendurchmesser)«.
- p. 155, Z. 2 von unten statt weiß lies: »hellgrau«, ferner: unten »röthlich« hellgrau etc.
- p. 156, Z. 11 von oben lies: Temporalgegend »und Oberarmstreifen« dunkel rothbraun.
- p. 156, Z. 15 von unten lies: Interorbitalraum »von der Breite« eines oberen Augenlides.
- p. 156, Z. 9 von unten zu *Bufo molitor* hinzuzufügen »Tschudie«.
- p. 156, Z. 8 von unten lies: den »viel« schmälern.
- p. 156, Z. 3 von unten hinzuzufügen: »Warzen der Oberseite klein, rund, an der inneren Hand- und Fußfläche conisch«.

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