## 2. Zoological Society of London.

21st May, 1895. — Mr. Sclater made some remarks on the Zoological Institutions he had recently visited in Egypt. These were the new Zoological Garden at Gizeh, the Zoological Museum in the Government Medical School at Cairo, and the Ostrich-farm at Matarieh. - Mr. Howard Saunders exhibited and made remarks on a hybrid Duck. - Dr. R. Bowdler Sharpe gave an account of the ornithological collection made by Dr. Donaldson Smith during his recent expedition into Somaliland and Gallaland. The present series contained about 500 specimens, which were referred to 182 species. Of these twelve were considered to be new to science. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger, F.R.S., read a synopsis of the genera and species of Apodal Batrachians, and gave a description of a new genus and species proposed to be called Bdellophis vittatus. - Lt.-Col. H. H. Godwin-Austen, F.R.S., read a list of the Land-Molluscs of the Andaman and Nicobar Groups of Islands in the Bay of Bengal, and gave descriptions of some new species, together with a complete account of the distribution of all the species in the various islands of these two groups. - A communication was read from Dr. J. Anderson, F.R.S., containing the description of a new species of Hedgehog from Somaliland, which he proposed to name Erinaceus Sclateri. - A communication from Mr. R. Lydekker contained notes on the structure and habits of the Sea-Otter (Latax lutris). — A communication was read from Dr. B. C. A. Windle containing remarks on some double malformations observed amongst fishes. - Mr. F. E. Beddard, F.R.S., read a paper on the visceral and muscular anatomy of Cryptoprocta, dealing chiefly with the brain, alimentary canal, and muscles of this Carnivore. -P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

## III. Personal-Notizen.

Cincinnati. Mr. Charles D. Aldright, now at the University of Munich, has been elected to the instructorship in biology in the University of Cincinnati, U.S.A.

## Necrolog.

Am 3. Januar 1895 starb in Washington, D.C., Dr. Georg Marx, der bekannte Archaeolog. Er war am 22. Juni 1838 in Laubach, Großherzogthum Hessen, geboren, war 1860 nach Nordamerica gegangen, im Secessionskriege schwer verwundet worden, und hatte an der entomologischen Abtheilung des Department of Agriculture die Stelle als Vorstand der Illustrationsabtheilung inne.

Am 29. Juni starb in London Thomas Henry Huxley; geb. 4. Mai 1825 in Ealing.

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