

in the neighbouring island of St. Vincent. The Cynipidae were all parasitic forms, there being apparently a total lack of any gall-making forms of the family in the Island. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

## 2. New York Academy of Sciences.

### Biological Section.

Meeting of November 11, 1895.

The following papers were presented:

Prof. H. F. Osborn: »A Memorial Tribute to Prof. Thomas H. Huxley«.

Dr. Brashford Dean: »Notes of the Ancestral Sharks«. In this paper Cladoselachids were reviewed, and for the first time the structural characters of their vertebral skeleton, integument and suspensorium were given; and together with these features was noted the lack of claspers, shown in a dozen well preserved ventral fins, as significant of the fertilization conditions of these early sharks. In this regard these Lower Carbon forms would correspond to the usual Ichthyic type as of Teleostone or Lung Fish. The entire absence of a pelvic girdle in these early forms is also significant.

Prof. H. F. Osborn: »Newly Mounted Skeletons of Titanotherium and Metamyodon in the American Museum«, with illustrations.

Dr. J. L. Wortman: »The American Museum Expedition of 1895«.

Prof. N. L. Britton: »New or Noteworthy North American Phanerogams«.

Dr. Arnold Graf: »A Peculiar Growth Character in *Crepidula*«. This paper recorded the adjustment of the shell of the *Crepidula* to that of a scallop, *Pecten*, the margin of the shell of the *Crepidula* conforming exactly to the ridged character of the shell of its host.

Dr. Bashford Dean, Rec. Sec'y.

## 3. Die Zoologische Station in Villefranche-sur-mer (Frankreich)

versendet conservierte, daselbst im Golfe vorkommende Thiere. Material für zoologische Curse wird unter besonders günstigen Bedingungen abgegeben.

Die Direction.

## III. Personal-Notizen.

Herr Dr. L. Plate bittet für ihn bestimmte Separata nicht mehr nach Marburg zu senden, sondern mit der Adresse: »Zoolog. Institut, Invalidenstraße 43, Berlin« zu versehen.

### Necrolog.

Am 8. Juli starb in Bendigo, Victoria (Australia) Paul Howard Macgillivray, bekannt durch seine Untersuchungen über australische Bryozoen.

Am 20. September starb in Lewisham Road bei London William Henry Tugwell, ein geschätzter Lepidopterolog, im 64. Jahr.

### Berichtigung.

In der Inhaltsangabe des Aufsatzes von H. Bolsius in No. 485, p. 388, »indications des grossissements« etc. ist zu lesen: »Le grossissement linéaire en même temps que les systèmes des lentilles et le nom du constructeur«.

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