

and named *Clarias Smithi* and *Synodontis Smithi*, after their discoverer. — Mr. Martin Jacoby offered some remarks on the system of coloration and punctuation in the Beetles of the genus *Calligrapha* of the family Chrysomelidae. He showed that in this genus the colour and punctuation of the elytra seemed to be dependent on each other, so that the markings, no matter what their shape might be, were always surrounded by a row of the punctures. — Mr. F. E. Beddard, F.R.S., read a paper on the Oblique Septa in Passerine and other Birds, in which he pointed out a new character of Passerine Birds. — A second paper by Mr. Beddard contained a note upon the syrinx and the ambiens muscle of an African Stork (*Dissura episcopus*), and comprised some remarks upon the classification of the Herodiones. — A communication from Mr. R. Lydekker, F.R.S., contained a note on the mode of progression of the Sea-Otter. — A communication from Dr. St. George Mivart, F.R.S., contained a description of the hyoid bones of *Nestor meridionalis* and *Nanodes discolor*. As the presence of a parahyal arch had as yet only been met with in the Loriidae, it was interesting to find whether it was present in the other brush-tongued forms, *Nestor* and *Nanodes*. In the specimen of *Nestor* examined such an arch did exist, and the location of the Nestoridae next to Loriidae was so far justified. In two specimens of *Nanodes*, however, the two processes did not form an arch, and thus its removal from the Loriidae was also justified. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

## 2. American Morphological Society.

At the Annual Meeting held at Philadelphia, Dec. 26, 27 and 28, 1895, the following subjects were presented and discussed: Panplasm, by Prof. C. S. Minot; The History of the Centrosome in Thallasema, by Mr. B. B. Griffin; The Centrosome in its Relation to Fixing and Staining Agents, by Prof. E. B. Wilson; The Production of Artificial Archoplasmic Centers, by Prof. T. H. Morgan; Cell-Size and Body-Size, by Prof. E. G. Conklin; The Development of Isolated Blastomeres of the Egg of *Amphioxus*, by Prof. T. H. Morgan; On the smallest Part of Stentor capable of Regeneration, by Dr. J. R. Lillie; Gastrulation of Teleosts, by Dr. Bashford Dean; Pigment Changes in the Eye of Palaemonetes, by Dr. G. H. Parker; Reaction of Metridium to food and other substances, by Dr. G. H. Parker; Some Points in the Anatomy of Anoplocephaline Cestodes, by Dr. C. W. Stiles; and Developement of *Cassiopea* from Buds, by Dr. R. P. Bigelow. The officers elected for 1896 were: President, Prof. E. L. Mark; Vice-president, Prof. H. J. Osborn; Secretary-Treasurer Dr. G. H. Parker; additional members of the Executive Committee, Prof. E. G. Conklin and Prof. W. Patten. — G. H. Parker, Secretary.

## 5. Notiz.

Dans le No. 493 du »Zoologischer Anzeiger« a été publié ma note sous le titre d. »Über die Bildung des Canalis neurentericus beim Strauße (*Struthio camelus L.*)«. Il faut la compter comme note préliminaire et elle a été écrite au mois d'Octobre 1895, mais attendant son tour d'après l'ordre strictement observé par la redaction du »Zoologischer Anzeiger« elle a été publiée au mois de Janvier 1896, après l'apparition de ma monographie accomplie sur l'histoire du développement de l'autruche<sup>1</sup>.

N. NASSONOW.

<sup>1</sup> N. NASSONOW, Sur l'embryologie de l'autruche d'Afrique (*Struthio camelus L.*). Travaux du Laboratoire Zoologique à l'Université de Varsovie. 1894—95 (en langue russe).

# ZOBODAT - [www.zobodat.at](http://www.zobodat.at)

Zoologisch-Botanische Datenbank/Zoological-Botanical Database

Digitale Literatur/Digital Literature

Zeitschrift/Journal: [Zoologischer Anzeiger](#)

Jahr/Year: 1896

Band/Volume: [19](#)

Autor(en)/Author(s): Parker G.H.

Artikel/Article: [2. American Morphological Society 80](#)