

Von den Borsten der Dorsalfläche des ♂ (Fig. 6) sind die Innenborsten der zweiten Serie den Außenborsten sehr nahe gerückt und vor diesen inseriert. Die Einzelborsten der Mittellinie sind viel länger und weiter nach vorn gerückt, die erste steht fast im Niveau des dritten, die zweite in dem des vierten Fußpaares. Die vier Borsten in der Nähe des Hinterrandes sind besser entwickelt als bei *M. musculi* und sind die inneren besonders lang. Der Penis ist etwas hinter

Fig. 4.

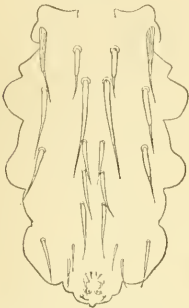


Fig. 5.

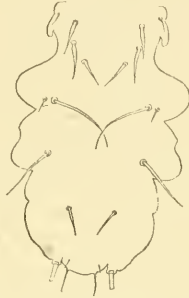


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dem vierten Fußpaar inseriert und verläuft ziemlich gerade. Die Geschlechtsöffnung liegt im Niveau des zweiten Fußpaares und ist nur von zwei nach vorn gerichteten kleinen Borsten umgeben.

Bei beiden Geschlechtern trägt das zweite Beinpaar zweigleich große Krallen, das dritte und vierte nur eine größere Kralle. Die vorliegende auf *Arvicola arvalis* Pall. vorkommende Art ist von Claparède und Mégnin<sup>9</sup> für identisch mit *M. musculi* (Schrk.) gehalten, da sie angeben, daß letztere auch auf der Feldmaus vorkomme, worauf ich sie nie beobachtet habe. Da Koch die von ihm unter dem Namen *Dermaleichus lemninus* beschriebene *Myobia* auf der Feldmaus gefunden hat, so behalte ich seine Artbezeichnung »*lemnina*« bei, obschon seine ungenügende Beschreibung und Abbildung auch auf andere Arten passen könnte.

(Schluß folgt.)

## II. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

### 1. Zoological Society of London.

June 16th, 1896. — Mr. Sc Slater exhibited and made remarks on a coloured drawing of the Gnu of Nyasaland, taken by Mr. Caldwell from the specimen transmitted to the British Museum by Sir H. H. Johnston, K.C.B., and exhibited by Mr. Sc Slater at a former Meeting. The specimen seemed to be referable to a new local form of the Brindled Gnu, which Mr. Sc Slater proposed to name *Connochaetes taurinus Johnstoni*. — Mr. Holding exhibited and made remarks on various abnormal horns and antlers of the Cau-

<sup>9</sup> Mégnin, P., Mém. sur les Cheylétides parasites. In: Journ. d'Anat. et de Physiologie 1878. p. 15—18. Pl. XXXI fig. 1, 2.

casian Wild Goat and of two species of Deer. — Mr. E. E. Austen gave an account of a journey undertaken by Mr. F. O. Pickard-Cambridge and the author up the Lower Amazons, on board Messrs. Siemens Bros. Cable S.S. 'Faraday,' for the purpose of making zoological collections on behalf of the British Museum. No terrestrial Mammals were met with, but observations were made on the two species of freshwater Dolphins (*Inia geoffroyensis* and *Sotalia tucuxi*, or *S. fluviatilis*), which are extremely abundant in the Lower Amazons. Among the Birds, the only species of special interest collected were a little Goatsucker from Manaos, referred provisionally to *Nyctiprogne leucopygia*, and a Woodpecker (*Celeus ochraceus*), of which the British Museum previously possessed but two specimens. The Reptiles and Amphibians met with all belonged to well-known and widely distributed forms, and the chief interest of the collections centred in the Invertebrates. Among these Mr. Pickard-Cambridge made a large collection of Spiders, including an extensive series of the large hairy Theraphosidae, eleven species of which were pronounced to be new. An interesting collection of the nests of some of these forms was also obtained. Mr. Cambridge likewise secured several specimens of *Peripatus*. Mr. Austen, who devoted himself chiefly to Insects, obtained some 2500 specimens of different orders, of which it was expected that a fair proportion would prove to be new. Attention was drawn to some interesting examples of mimicry. — Mr. P. Chalmers Mitchell, F.Z.S., read a "Contribution to the Anatomy of the Hoatzin (*Opisthocomus cristatus*)."  
He stated that from the characters of the alimentary canal, the Hoatzin might be placed either between the Sand-Grouse and the Pigeons, or between the Gallinae and the Cuculidae. He described some interesting individual variations in the condition of the ambiens muscle, and referred to other points in the muscular anatomy. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger, F.R.S., gave an account of the occurrence of *Tomistoma Schlegeli* in the Malay Peninsula, and added some remarks on the atlas and axis of the Crocodilians. — A communication was read from Mr. W. Schaus containing notes on Walker's American types of Lepidoptera in the University Museum, Oxford. — Mr. Hamilton H. Druce, F.Z.S., read a paper entitled "Further Contributions to our Knowledge of the Bornean Lycaenidae," in which he referred to about 40 species of this family not hitherto recorded from Borneo. A number of these were new, and were now described by Mr. G. T. Bethune Baker and the author. — Mr. F. G. Parsons read a paper on the anatomy of *Petrogale xanthopus* as compared with that of other Kangaroos. — Dr. J. Anderson, F.R.S., communicated on behalf of Miss M. E. Durham some notes on the mode of swallowing eggs adopted by a South-African Snake, *Dasypellis scabra*, as observed in the specimens now living in the Society's Gardens, and illustrated by a series of drawings. — Mr. F. O. Pickard-Cambridge read a paper on the Spiders of the family Aviculariidae taken during the expedition up the Amazons previously described by Mr. Austen. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger, F.R.S., read the description of a Gecko which he proposed to refer to a new genus and species as *Mimetozaon floweri*, in honour of Mr. Stanley Flower, who had obtained the specimen at Penang. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

## 2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

May 27th, 1896. — 1) Observations on *Peripatus*. By Thomas Steel, F.C.S. In this paper is embodied an extended series of observations on the

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