

Twenty-one species were enumerated as represented in the collection, of which the following were described as new:—*Crocidura Whitakeri*, *Mus peregrinus*, and *Lepus atlanticus*.—P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

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November 24th, 1897.—1)—3) Botanical.—4) On some Australian *Eleotrinae*. Part ii. By J. Douglas Ogilby. Five additional species of Australian eleotrius are described in this paper, namely—*Carassiops (Caulichthys) Guentheri*; *Carassiops (Austrogobio) Galii*, sp. nov.; *Kreffthius adpersus*; *Eleotris fuscus* and *Ophiorrhinus angustifrons*, sp. nov.—5) On two new Australian Fishes. By J. Douglas Ogilby. The two species described are *Harengula stereolepis*, from Torres' Straits, and *Decapterus leptosomus*, a Mackerel-Scad which annually visits Port Jackson but has hitherto escaped notice.—6) A Contribution to the Zoology of New Caledonia. By J. Douglas Ogilby. After alluding to the meagreness of our knowledge of the biology of the island, the author gives a list of the fresh-water fishes referable to six species brought back by Mr. Hedley, with observations thereon. He considers that the *Kuhlia* is fairly separable from the typical *rupestris* as a subspecies which he proposes to name *Hedleyi*, while for *Gobius crassilabris*, a herbivorous form with setaceous pharyngeals, he establishes the new genus *Trichopharynx*.—7) On Australian *Termitidae*. Part iii. By W. W. Froggatt. Eleven species of *Termes*, of which ten are new, and seven species of *Eutermes*, of which five are new, are described. In most cases some account of the nests is also given.—8) On new Marine Mollusca from the Solomon Islands and Australia. By John Brazier, C.M.Z.S. The Volute described at last Meeting from an imperfect specimen is redescribed from a perfect example which subsequently became available. Descriptions also are given of a new Cone from Flinders, Victoria, of two from the Solomon Islands, and of species of *Axinaea* from the Gippsland Lakes Entrance, Victoria.—9) Observations on Papuan Land and Freshwater Shells, with Descriptions of new Species from New Guinea and Western Australia. By C. F. Ancey. (Communicated by C. Hedley.) From Western Australia the new species *Trachia Froggatti*, *T. orthocheila* and *T. monogramma* are described and figured from material collected by Mr. W. Froggatt. New Papuan shells from German New Guinea are *Sulcobasis leptocochlea* and *Chloritis Möllendorffi*, with which is figured *Pupina Beddomei*, described in an earlier volume of the Society's Proceedings. Critical observations on sundry Australian and Papuan shells conclude the paper.—Mr. Edgar R. Waite exhibited 1) examples of *Typhlops aluensis*, Blgr., from Wai Obi, Vuna Pi, Fiji, where they are known to the natives as "Naota." This species was previously known only from the Solomon Islands, and the new record supplies further evidence of the similarity of the faunas of the two Archipelagoes. 2) A New Zealand Fish (*Neptotichthys violaceus*, Hutton) recently caught in Port Jackson and the first recorded occurrence in Australian waters. 3) Two photographs, taken at Layson Island (Hawaiian Islands); one exhibits an immense concourse of Albatrosses (identified by Mr. A. J. North as *Diomedea immutabilis*, Rothschild) incubating their eggs.

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