

## 2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

May 29th, 1901. — 1) Botanical. — 2) Revision of the Genus *Paropsis*. Part VI. By Rev. T. Blackburn, B.A., Corr. Memb. This part concludes the present revisional study of the genus, and treats of the species forming Groups I., II., and V., as characterised in the first Part (Proc. Linn. Soc. N.S.W. 1896, p. 638). Nineteen species are described as new. — 3) and 4) Botanical. — Mr. D. G. Stead exhibited a beautiful preparation of coral polyps collected from Shark Island, Port Jackson. Also some aboriginal relics which he had discovered in December last, buried in a cave at the top of a midden on the shores of Port Hacking. — Mr. Froggatt exhibited specimens of *Idolothrips spectrum*, Newm., the largest known Thrips. The insects are plentiful at the present time among dead leaves, and can be obtained by shaking dead bushes over a net. — Prof. Tate contributed a Note on the nomenclature of a Port Jackson mollusc, *Cingulina Brazieri*, Angas, a species which has long resisted recognition. Specimens recently collected by Mr. Hedley seem to show that the species should be referred to the genus *Terebra*. — Mr. S. J. Johnston exhibited specimens and contributed a Note on a collection of lizards procured by Mr. A. F. Finckh of the Sydney University, on Lizard Island, during his visit to the Barrier Reef in the early part of this year. Four species, represented by about thirty-five specimens are recorded, namely, *Lygosoma pardalis*, MacL., *L. Peronii*, D. & B., *L. pectorale*, De Vis, and *Gehyra variegata*, D. & B. Captain Cook and Sir Joseph Banks landed on the island in August, 1770. They found that on the north-west side it "abounded with lizards of a very large size, some of which we took . . . As we saw no animals upon this place but lizards, I called it Lizard Island" (Hawkesworth, Vol. III. p. 194—195). Whether the specimens then collected were ever described or recorded does not appear to be ascertainable. The four species now recorded are all represented by animals of small size.

## III. Personal-Notizen.

### Necrolog.

Am 10. Juni starb Prof. Dr. W.H. Barris, Correspondierender Secretär der Davenport Academy of Sciences, in Davenport, Iowa.



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