Desis Kenyonae. - Mr. H. R. Hogg contributed a paper which contained additional information concerning the Australian Spiders of the suborder Mygalomorphae. Out of a collection of forty specimens (comprising examples of eleven species and nine genera) received by the author no less than nine species and five genera had proved to be new, and were described in this paper. - P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

## 3. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

May 28th, 1901. 1) Descriptions of new Genera and Species of Lepidoptera (Fam. Noctuidae). By A. Jefferies Turner, M.D., F.E.S. Twenty genera and about eighty-seven species are described as new. -2) and 4) Botanical. 3) Geological. - Mr. D. G. Stead exhibited specimens and offered remarks upon the characteristics and habits of two Port Jackson fishes, the so-colled Doctor- or Surgeon-Fish (Prionurus microlepidotus Lacep.) and the Flute-mouth (Fistularia serrata Cuv.). - Mr. Froggatt exhibided and offered remarks upon specimens of a flea (Echidnophaga ambulans Olliff.) from a native cat (Dasyurus viverrinus Shaw), a species originally made known as a parasite of a Monotreme (Echidna aculeata). Also photographs of a flea procured from a bandicoot (Perameles), showing the characters of Stephanocircus dasyuri Skuse, described from the native cat. - Mr. North contributed a Note on some Northern and Northwestern Australian Grass Finches; and he exhibited skins and eggs of Sisura nana and Rhipidura dryas from the Northern Territory of South Australia. The egg of Sisura nana is of a dull buffywhite groundcolour irregularly spotted and blotched with umberbrown, and similar underlying markings of of greyish-lilac which form an irregular band around the larger end. Length 0,71×0,5 inches. The egg of Rhipidura dryas is of a dull yellowish-white groundcolour with an indistinct zone of confluent spots and blotches of dark yellowish-brown, and bluish-grey around the thicker end. Length  $0.65 \times 0.52$  inches. The specimens described are from the collection of Mr. C. French, junr. Also a skin of a Grass Finch from Wyndham, North-western Australia, differing only from Poephila acuticauta Gould in having the bill rich orange-scarlet instead of pale wax-yellow. This is regarded as at least a very distinct variety which it is proposed to distinguish under the name of Poephila aurantiirostris. - Mr. H. L. Kesteven exhibited specimens, and contributed a list, of sixteen species of Mollusca of the Family Rissoidae from Moreton Bay, Queensland, none of which had previously been recorded from that state.

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