

12. *Davainea sphaeroïdes* n. sp.

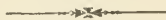
provient de *Buteo vulpinus*. Les exemplaires que j'ai examinés, tout en possédant des organes génitaux bien développés ne contenaient point d'oeufs.

La longueur des exemplaires non mârs est de 10 mm, la largeur maximale de 0,25 mm. Les proglottis sont assez nombreux. Le scolex a une forme sphérique légèrement aplatie en avant; ses crochets mesurent à peine 0,006 mm étant au nombre de 200 environ. Les ventouses sont très petites armées de crochets qui ont une forme triangulaire. Les pores génitaux sont unilatéraux. La poche du cirrhe est grande. Les testicules au nombre de 8—10 sont situés postérieurement. L'ovaire est double, sans lobes. La glande vitellogène est simple et médiane.

## II. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

### Linnean Society of New South Wales.

June 25th, 1902. — 1)—4) Botanical. — As instances of the severity of the prevailing drought, Mr. North exhibited, with the permission of the Curator, specimens of *Chlamydodera maculata* and *Philemon citreogularis*, which had been received in the flesh by the Trustees of the Australian Museum. The former was shot in an apple tree on the 19th May in a garden at Smithfield, about twenty miles from Sydney, by a son of Mr. James Stein, the donor. The spotted Bower-bird, *Chlamydodera maculata*, is an inhabitant of the scrubs on the inland plains in the western and north-western portions of the State, and seldom occurs east of Byrock. *Philemon citreogularis*, another inland species, was procured on the 31st May by Mr. H. Newcombe at Kurnell, or, as it is now called, Cook's Landing Place, on the shores of Botany Bay. Previously neither of these species had been recorded from the County of Cumberland. On the 16th May Mr. North saw a flock of Pied Crow-shrikes (*Strepera graculina*) in the Botanic Gardens, Sydney, several individuals of which have been since trapped, and are now in one of the aviaries. Although this species frequents during the autumn months the northern and western suburbs, he had never observed it in a wild state in the city before. What might be regarded as an irruption of Blood-birds (*Myzomela sanguinolenta*) has taken place in the Sydney coastal districts. In ordinary seasons during winter this species occurs near the coast only in limited numbers. At present they are in hundreds at Middle Harbour, Long Reef, Bondi, Randwick, Kurnell and intermediate localities where previously they had been unobserved.



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