

Africa and Southern Europe could not be sustained. The discovery of *S. karatheodoris* in Samos showed rather that the specialization took place in Africa and that the existence of such forms in India and Southern Europe was due to a secondary immigration from Africa. Most probably, however, there was the same relationship between the whole fauna of Samos and that of the Siwalik Hills—i. e., the latter was a transformed and later generation of the former. — Mr. F. E. Beddard, F.R.S., read a paper upon some species of Oligochaeta from Africa. Two of them, viz., *Stuhlmannia Michaelseni*, n. sp., and *Bettonia lagariensis*, n. g. & n. sp., were founded upon material collected by Mr. Hinde and Mr. Betton, and presented by those gentlemen to the British Museum. A third species belonged to the genus *Pareudrilus* Beddard, and was collected by Mr. Cyril Crossland. It was stated to be possibly, but not certainly, a new species, and the spermatophore, hitherto unknown in the genus, was described. Some specimens of *Alma Stuhlmanni* Michaelsen, collected by Mr. Crossland were shown to possess a clitellum rather different in position and extent from that of the only other species of the genus, believed to be a new species and named *A. Budgetti*, n. sp., in which the clitellum had been described. — W. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

March 25th, 1903. — 1) A Monograph of the Australian *Membracidae*. By F. W. Goding, M. D., Ph. D. — In studying this group twelve genera, represented by thirtyfive species, have been recognised, namely, *Hypsoprora* (?) Stal, *Philya* Walker, *Terentius* Stal, *Machoeota* Burmeister, *Tryonia* Goding, *Eufrogattia* Goding, *Lubra* Goding, *Acanthucus* Stal, *Sextius* Stal, *Daunus* Stal, *Nessorhinoides* Goding, and *Sertorius* Stal. The identification of several of the forms described by Walker and Fairmaire proved to be difficult. With the aid of the synoptical tables now given, it is hoped that the recognition of the species treated of will be facilitated. — 2) Revision of Australian Lepidoptera. By A. Jefferis Turner, M. D., F. E. S. — Under the above heading the author hopes to publish a series of papers dealing with the different families as time and opportunity permit. This first instalment treats of the *Notodontidae*, represented in Australia by only some thirty species, referable to nineteen genera; and the *Hyponomeutidae* represented by about twenty known species referable to six genera.

III. Personal-Notizen.

Herr Dr. L. Reh trat am 1. Juli d. J. als Assistent am Naturhistorischen Museum in Hamburg ein.

Berichtigung.

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