## 2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

Abstract of Proceedings, August 31st, 1904. 1) Revision of the Australian Species of Bolboceras, [Coleoptera, Fam. Scaraboeidae], with Descriptions of new Species. By Rev. T. Blackburn, B.A., Corresponding Member. In his Synopsis of the Australian Species of Balboceras, contributed to the Linnean Society in 1848, the late Prof. Westwood treated of seventeen species. In Masters' Catalogue (Part III., 1886), thirty-one species were listed as valid, and eight names regarded as synonyms. Since the year 1886, ten additional species have been described, of wich two probably are merely varieties. In the present paper nineteen species, for the most part from North Queensland, the Northern Territory of South Australia, and North-West Australia, are described as new, giving a total of fifty-five species recognised by the author. 2) Studies in Australian Entomology. No. XIV. New Species of Geodephagous Coleoptera from Queensland and North-West Australia. By Thomas G. Sloane. Three additions to the Cicindelidae and five to the Carabidae are proposed as new. The first group comprises two species of Cicindela from Roebuck Bay, N.W.A., and Mackay, Q., and one of Distypsidera from Cairns Q.; and the second a species of Mario from Cairns, Q.; a var. of Perigona rufilabris Macl., from Cairns, Q.; a species of Masoreus from Townsville; and a new genus represented by two species from Cairns and Kuranda, Q. Mr. Stead exhibited a cocoon of Antheraea eucalypti Scott, together with twenty-two parasitic flies (Lucilia sp.). the larvae of which emerged from the cocoon about a fortnight after the caterpillar began to pupate. Mr. Waite exhibited living examples of Molge pyrrogastra Boie, the red-bellied newt of China and Japan. The specimens shown were part of a consignment brought from China some three months ago; and were purchased from a local dealer. Mr. Froggat exhibited a named collection of indigenous or introduced Diptera, comprising representatives of twenty-two species. Some of these were more or les cosmopolitan, and most of them were usually very much in evidence; at the same time their identification hitherto had not in all cases been an easy matter. By the kind co-operation Mr. D. W. Coquillet, of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, he had now authentically named examples of many dipterous insects for reference. The collection exhibited comprised three species of blow-flies (Calliphora oceaniae Desv., C. villosa Desv. and C. incisularis Macq.); three species of blue-bottle flies (Lucilia Tasmaniensis Macq., L. caesar Linn., and L. sericata Macq.); the drone-fly (Eristalis tenax Linn.); the potato-fly (Lonchaea splendida Linn.); the banana-stalk fly (Nerius lineolatus Wied.); two parasites upon plague locusts (Tachina aedipodiae Oll., and Masicera pachytyli Skuse); the leaf-miner (Phytomyza affinis Fabr.); the wallaby louse-fly (Olfersia macleayi Leach); two species of Musca (M. domestica Linn., and M. cervina Labr.); the cheese-moggot fly (Piophila casei Linn.); and the bot-fly of the horse.

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