

same time it is constrained to state that nomenclature is a subject that requires quiet deliberation rather than formal debate, and, further that to throw open the general meetings of this Congress as a forum for this exceedingly dry and complicated subject will be not only to jeopardize the success of future congresses, but, since this plan is not in accord with the plan under which many zoologists elected to follow the international rules a grave question arises as to following such a policy.

86. Amendments to the »Règles internationales de la nomenclature zoologique«. — There have been fifteen series of amendments submitted to the Commission which has been in session since Friday, March 22, studying the various suggestions, giving hearings, etc. For instance, a special hearing was given both to Professor Brauer and to Doctor Poche for presentation of any arguments or points of view they might desire to submit in connection with the proposed amendments in which they were especially interested.

87. A somewhat embarrassing situation presented itself because of the unusually early date of the Congress, but a valid parliamentary method was suggested under which it became possible to consider all of the propositions submitted.

88. Departing from the usual custom, the Secretary had published in the 'Zoologischer Anzeiger', Nov. 26, 1912, and March 11, 1913, all propositions that had reached him and in addition several propositions that were known to him by fact of their publication.

89. Under the By-Laws adopted by the Commission, and published for general information in the last report, the Commission proceeds as follows: Under Art. IV, Section 1 (a) the Commission reports to the Congress 'Recommendations involving any alteration of the Règles Internationales de la Nomenclature Zoologique, but no such recommendation is to be reported unless it has first received a majority (8) vote of the Commission and the unanimous vote of all Commissioners present at the meeting'.

(Schluß folgt.)

III. Personal-Notizen.

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