

halten. Herr R., welchem bekannt war, daß ich mit Untersuchungen über das Nervensystem der Nematoden beschäftigt bin, hatte mir mitgetheilt, daß er die Musculatur der Nematoden zum Thema seiner Untersuchungen genommen habe. Gegen Ende August 1882 erfuhr ich jedoch, ebenfalls in persönlicher Unterhaltung, daß er letztere auch auf das Nervensystem ausgedehnt habe. Das eigenthümliche Schweigen, mit welchem derselbe meine mündlich mitgetheilte Anschauung vom Nervenverlauf im männlichen Hinterleibsende der Ascariden anhörte, drängte mich das, was ich — Jahre vorher — meinen Zuhörern vorgetragen hatte, zu publiciren.

Herr R. hat außerdem absprechende Bemerkungen zu einigen andern Ergebnissen meiner Untersuchungen gemacht, deren Beurtheilung ich aber in die Hände unparteiischer und mehr berufener Fachmänner lege.

Breslau, den 16. Februar 1883.

III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

6th February, 1883. — The Secretary read a report on the additions that had been made to the Society's Menagerie during the month of January, and called attention to examples of two species of Passerine Birds from Japan (*Turdus cardis* and *Parus varius*) new to the Collection. — A letter was read from Mr. F. C. Selous, dated from the Matabele Country, on the possibility of obtaining a White Rhinoceros. — Extracts were read from a letter received from the Rev. G. H. R. Fisk, C.M.Z.S., of Cape Town, giving an account of the habits of some Reptiles which he had had in captivity. — A communication was read from Messrs. Salvin and Godman, containing the description of a new species of Pigeon of the genus *Otidiphaps* from Ferguson Island, one of the D'Entrecasteaux group, which they proposed to call *O. insularis*. — Mr. Sclater read some further notes on *Tragelaphus gratus*, and exhibited drawings of both sexes of this Antelope, taken from specimens living in the Menagerie of the Jardin des Plantes, Paris. — A communication was read from Mr. E. W. White, F.Z.S., containing some supplementary notes to a former paper on the birds of the Argentine Republic. — A communication was read from the Rev. G. A. Shaw, containing some notes on the habits of an Aye-Aye which he had had in confinement for several months, and other information respecting this animal. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger, F.Z.S., read a paper containing the description of a new species of Lizard of the genus *Enyalis* from Peru, which he proposed to name *E. palpebralis*. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of London.

6th February, 1883. — Dr. W. C. Ondaatje called attention to a specimen of Red Coral from Ceylon. — A paper was read »On the pairing

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