

Ich betrachte es als ein erfreuliches Zeichen, daß von verschiedenen Seiten Vorschläge für bessere Montirung der Alcoholpräparate gemacht werden, und ich hoffe, daß die obigen kleinen Beiträge sich der Beachtung meiner Collegen zu erfreuen haben werden.

Adelaide, den 16. Juni 1883.

## 2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

June 27th, 1883. — 1. Descriptions of new genera and species of Fishes by Charles W. De Vis, B.A. Two genera are described, *Dactylophora* of the Family *Cirrhitidae*, and *Leme* of the Family *Amblyopina*. The new species described are — *Girella carbonaria*, *Girella neuralis*, *Dactylophora semimaculata*, *Platycephalus semermis*, *Polynemus specularis*, *Leme mordax*, *Sphyræna strenua*, *Trochocopus sanguinolentus*, *Labrichthys dix*, *Plagusia notata*, *Synaptura cinerea*, and *Crossorhinus ornatus*. — (2. Botanical.) — 3. Localities of some species of Polynesian recent Mollusca by John Brazier, C.M.Z.S., etc. This Paper gives with some detail all the synonyms of *Pirenopsis costata*, of Quoy and Gaimard, and of *Melania acanthica* Sea. Also the various localities in which they have been found. — Baron Macclay exhibited some beautifully preserved specimens of very delicate forms of marine life, such as *Oceania pileata*, *Salpa democratica*, *Acyonium palmatum*, etc., etc. These were prepared at the Naples Biological Station, under the direction of Dr. Dohrn and may be obtained there at a reasonable cost, for study or illustration. Even large specimens of *Rhizostoma* are perfectly and permanently preserved by this process. Baron Macclay also gave an account of various large animal preparations which had been preserved in the Berlin Museum by the Wickersheimer fluid, pointing out that the failures which had attended its use here, were due to too protracted immersion in the fluid. The objects, when once well penetrated by the solution, should be withdrawn and kept in a dry state. — Mr. Whitelegge exhibited a decayed leaf of some aquatic plant covered with a thick growth of *Plumatella repens*. Also a specimen of fresh water sponge, undetermined. Both from a waterhole in Moore Park. — Mr. Trebeck showed the claw of a very large crab, *Pseudocarcinus gigas*, which had been washed ashore in Lane Cove. This species is of common occurrence in Bass' Straits, but is seldom found much to the northward of that district. — Dr. Schuette showed a plaster cast of an impression which Mr. De Vis had previously exhibited. This cast was therefore a model of the original fossil, and was regarded by Baron Macclay, as consisting of the Occipital and Parietal bones of a gigantic Wombat, seen from within. — Mr. Deane exhibited a portion of sandstone penetrated by a number of burrows, formed in all probability by some Hymenopterous insect.

## IV. Personal-Notizen.

### Necrolog.

Am 8. August starb in Covington, Kentucky, Mr. V. T. Chambers, ein durch seine Untersuchungen über die Tineinen bekannter Entomolog.

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