

logische Beweis erbracht ist, daß hier ein nervöses System vorliege. Dieser ist denn auch bei Anwendung geeigneter Reagentien durch die histiologische Analyse zu liefern, kann eigentlich bei aufmerksamer Untersuchung sogar mittels der Loupe gewissermaßen erschlossen werden.

(Schluß folgt.)

### III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

#### 1. Zoological Society of London.

20th May, 1884. — Mr. W. T. Blanford, F.R.S., exhibited and made remarks on a series of horns of the Wild Sheep of the Pamir, *Ovis Poli*, Blyth, which had been obtained by the Hon. Charles A. Ellis, F.Z.S., from the Pamir district during his recent journey to Yarkand. — Mr. R. Bowdler Sharpe exhibited and made remarks on a second specimen of the new European Nuthatch (*Sitta Whiteheadi*) recently discovered by Mr. Whitehead in Corsica. — Dr. J. G. Garson exhibited and made remarks upon a specimen of *Lithodes maia*, the Northern Stone-Crab. — Mr. Frank E. Beddard, F.Z.S., read the first of a series of papers on the Isopoda collected during the voyage of H.M.S. 'Challenger'. The present communication treated of the genus *Serolis*, sixteen species of which were represented in the specimens obtained during the Expedition. Of these nine were described as new. The author also gave a short account of the geographical distribution of the genus, and pointed out some of its peculiar structural points. — Mr. Gwyn Jeffreys, F.R.S., read the eighth part of his papers on the Mollusca of the 'Lightning' and 'Porcupine' Expeditions. It included the families Aclidæ, Pyramidellidæ, and Eulimidæ, with seventy-five species. Two genera and twenty-three species were described by the author as new to science. — Prof. F. Jeffrey Bell read the fourth of his series of papers on the Holothurians. The present communication gave an account of the structural characters of the Cotton-Spinner (*Holothuria nigra*), and especially of its Cuvierian organs. — Mr. F. Day read a paper on races and hybrids among the Salmonidæ, in continuation of a former communication made to the Society, and continuing an account of the experiments made by Sir James Gibson-Maitland in the hybridization of Salmonidæ in the ponds at Howietown. — A communication was read from Mr. R. Collett, C.M.Z.S., containing the description of some apparently new Marsupials obtained by Dr. Limholtz in Northern Queensland. These were described as *Phalangista Archeri*, *Ph. herbertensis*, *Ph. lemuroides*, and *Dendrolagus Limholtzi*. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

#### 2. Linnean Society of London.

15th May, 1884. — Prof. P. Martin Duncan read a paper on a new genus of recent Fungida allied to the Cretaceous fossil form *Micrabacia*; the genus being based on a specimen of coral obtained from shallow water in the Korean Sea. — A communication was made by Mr. Arthur R. Hunt

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