

Mr. Selater proposed to dedicate this bird to its former owner as *Calliste Gouldi*. — Mr. Boulenger gave the description of a new Frog from Perak, Malacca, which he proposed to name *Megalophrys longipes*. — P. L. Selater, Secretary.

## 2. Linnean Society of New South Wales.

26th August, 1885. — 1) Botanical. — 2) Catalogue of the Coleoptera of Australia. By George Masters. This is the first of a series of Papers intended by Mr. Masters to make a complete and perfect list of all the known species of Coleoptera in Australia. The present Part comprises the Cicindelidæ and Carabidæ, and numbers 950 species. — 3) Descriptions of three new Port Jackson Fishes. By J. Douglas-Ogilby, Assistant Zoologist, Australian Museum. The three species here described are *Scyllium anale*, *Heliastes immaculatus*, and *Pempheris lineatus*. — Mr. Prince exhibited a fine specimen, 10 inches in diameter, of the nidamentary capsule or »shell« of *Argonauta nodosa*, var. *pacifica*, washed ashore at Manly. Also a large Orange Cowrie, *Cypraea aurantia*, 4½ inches in length, from Fiji. — Dr. Williams exhibited a collection of arms and implements from the Soudan, including jevalins, shield of hippopotamus hide, curved and double-edged knives of fine steel, a throwing stick like the Australian »fighting boomerang«, camel-sticks for driving, hats, rosaries always of 33 pieces, phylacteries containing a verse of the Koran and worn round arm or neck, a purse, and a sort of skewer used as a comb. — Mr. Macleay exhibited a fine specimen of a Carboniferous fossil, *Aviculopecten*, found on the beach at Double Bay, and supposed to have been dropped there by a previous possessor. — Mr. Macleay also exhibited a section of a branch of an Orange Tree, completely perforated by the larva of a longicorn beetle. Also three specimens of a beetle found in the perforated wood. The exhibit had been sent by Mr. M. de Meyrick, a Member of the Society, who stated that many Orange trees had suffered in the same way in the neighbourhood of Penrith. Mr. Macleay said the injury was caused by the larva of *Monohammus fistulator*, a grub destructive to all kinds of fruit trees, but as far his experience went its ravages were confined to old or decaying trees, and it would be interesting to know if in any instance it had been found to attack young and vigorous plants. The accompanying beetles were Heteromorous Insects of the genus *Amarygmus*, and were not in any way the cause of the injury to the tree. — Mr. Brazier exhibited specimens of the following rare shells, *Paryphanta Hochstetteri*, *Trophon Cheesemani*, *Pisania flavescens*, and *Patinella flava* from New Zealand. Also two specimens of an *Astreopora* from Garden Island, Port Jackson. — Mr. Ramsay exhibited specimens of *Memura Victorice*, male and female, with nest and egg, from Port Phillip. — Mr. A. Sidney Olliff exhibited specimens and sketches of *Cryptommatus Jansoni*, Matt., a curious beetle which was found under the fur of the common rat in Tasmania, and said that he believed new and interesting species with similar habits might be found in Australia if the smaller mammals were examined when freshly killed. Two allied species were known from Peru, one of which was found in the fur, and also in the nests of mice. The specimens exhibited were captured by Mr. A. Simson and had been obtained from Mr. Morton of the Hobart Museum.

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