Polentstehen die Kopfkeime (bei den Kieferegeln nebst provisorischen Bildungen). Aus der vierten größeren Furchungskugel bilden sich die ganzen Rumpfkeime. Jede dieser primären Anlagen (der Kopf- und Rumpfkeime) differenzirt sich dann weiterhin in Ectoderm und Mesoderm.

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III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

2nd February, 1886. — Mr. W. B. Tegetmeier, F.Z.S., exhibited and made remarks on a Pheasant from the Persian borders of Transcaucasia. - Mr. C. A. Wright, F.Z.S., exhibited a Dove of the genus Turtur from Malta, and identified it as a semi-albino variety of Turtur auritus. - Mr. Sclater exhibited, on behalf of Mr. W. H. Dobie, a young specimen of Sabine's Gull (Xema Sabinii), which had been obtained at Mostyn on the coast of Flintshire. - Mr. Seebohm exhibited a specimen of Ross's Sea-Gull (Larus Rossi) obtained in June last in the neighbourhood of Christianhaab, Disco Bay, Greenland. - Capt. R. G. Wardlaw Ramsay exhibited and remarked on a specimen of a new bird of the genus Copsychus obtained by Mr. H. Pryer in North-eastern Borneo, which he proposed to call C. niger. — A communication was read, from Prof. R. Collett, C.M.Z.S., containing an account of the external characters of the Northern Fin-Whale (Balanoptera borealis), based upon the examination of numerous specimens of this Whale killed on the coast of Norway during the past summer. — A communication was read from Dr. G. Stewardson Brady, F.R.S., containing descriptions of some new freshwater Entomostracous Crustaceans from South Australia. - Dr. H. Woodward, F.Z.S., communicated, on behalf of Dr. Monticelli, a catalogue of the species of Bats found in South Italy. — Mr. R. B. Sharpe, F.Z.S., read the first of a series of notes on birds in the Hume Collection. The present communication treated of the specimens supposed to belong to the Hawfinch of Europe, which had been collected at Attock, and showed that they belong to a different species, which Mr. Sharpe proposed to call Coccothraustes Humii. - Mr. F. E. Beddard read the third of his series of notes on the Isopoda collected during the voyage of H.M.S., Challenger'. The present paper completed the preliminary description of the new species of this group collected during the voyage, which amounted altogether to about forty-five in number. - Mr. J. H. Leech, F.Z.S., exhibited and described specimens of a Butterfly from Mogador, which he referred to a variety of Anthocharis eupheno. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of London.

4th February 1886. — Mr. James Dallas exhibited a specimen of the Glossy Ibis (*Plegadis falcinellus* L.) which was purchased last spring from Mr. James H. Clyde, of Bradworthy Vicarage, near Holsworthy, Devon, in whose possession, or that of his family it had been from the time it

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