

Fam. Spongillidae.

a) Subfam. Spongillinae Carter.

I. Genus *Spongilla*.a) Subgenus *Euspongilla* Vejd.

- 1) *Euspongilla lacustris* aut.
- 2) *Euspongilla Rhenana* Retzer.

β) Subgenus *Spongilla*.

- 3) *Spongilla fragilis* Leidy.

b) Subfam. Meyeninae Carter.

II. Genus *Trochospongilla*² Vejd.

- 4) *Trochospongilla erinaceus* Ehrbg.

III. Genus *Ephydatia* Gray nec Lam.

- 5) *Ephydatia Müller*i Lieberkühn.
- 6) *Ephydatia fluviatilis* aut.
- 7) *Ephydatia bohémica* F. Petr.

IV. Genus *Carterius* Potts.

- 8) *Carterius Stepanowii* Petr (Dyb.).

III. Mittheilungen aus Museen, Instituten etc.

1. Zoological Society of London.

16th November 1886. — The Secretary read a report on the additions that had been made to the Society's Menagerie during the months of June, July, August, September, and October, 1886, and called attention to certain interesting accessions which had been received during that period. Amongst these were specially noted a specimen of the Glaucous Macaw (*Ara glauca*), purchased June 3rd, two young Tcheli Monkeys (*Macacus tcheliensis*), from the mountains north of Pekin, presented by Dr. S. W. Bushell, C.M.Z.S., and other animals. — An extract was read from a letter addressed to the President by Dr. Emin Bey, dated Wadilai, Eastern Equatorial Africa, January 1st, 1886, and containing some notes on the distribution of the Anthropoid Apes in Eastern Africa. — A letter was read, addressed to the Secretary by Dr. Chr. Lütken, of Copenhagen, F.M.Z.S., containing some information as to the locality of *Chiropodomys penicillatus*. — A letter was read from Dr. A. B. Meyer, C.M.Z.S., communicating some remarks by Mr. K. G. Henke on a specimen of a hybrid Grouse in the Dresden Museum. — Prof. Flower, LL.D., F.R.S., exhibited and made remarks on a specimen of a rare Armadillo (*Tatusia pilosa*) belonging to the Scarborough Museum. — Prof. Bell exhibited and made remarks on an object (apparently of the nature of an amulet) made from a portion of the skin of

² Diese Gattung ist in der americanischen Fauna durch *Troch. Leidy*i vertreten.

some Mammal, and received from Moreton Bay, Australia. — Mr. H. Seebohm, F.Z.S., exhibited a skin of what he considered to be a young individual of the Lesser White-fronted Goose (*Anser albifrons minutus*), shot in September last on Holy Island, off the coast of Northumberland, and observed that it was the first recorded example of the small form of the White-fronted Goose which had been obtained on the coasts of our islands. — Mr. Blanford, F.R.S., exhibited and made some remarks on a mounted specimen of a scarce Paradoxure (*Paradoxurus Jerdoni*) from the Neilgherry Hills in Southern India. — A communication was read from Col. Charles Swinhoe, F.Z.S., containing an account of the species of Lepidopterous insects which he had obtained at Mhow, in Central India. — A communication was read from Dr. R. W. Shufeldt, C.M.Z.S., containing an account of the anatomy of *Geococcyx californianus*. — Mr. Lydekker described three crania and other remains of *Scelidotherium*, two of the former being from the Argentine Republic and the third from Tarapaca, in Chili. One of the crania from the first locality he referred to the typical *S. leptcephalum* of Owen, while the second, which had been described by Sir R. Owen under the same name, he regarded as distinct, and proposed to call *S. Bravardi*. The Tarapaca form, which was characterized by the extremely short nasals, was also regarded as indicating a new species, for which the name of *S. chilense* was proposed. The author concluded that there were not sufficient grounds for separating Lund's proposed genus *Platyonyx* from *Scelidotherium*. — Mr. G. A. Boulenger pointed out that two distinct forms of the Batrachian genus *Bombinator* occur in Central Europe, and read notes on their distinctive characters and geographical distribution. — A communication was read from Dr. R. W. Shufeldt, containing a correction, with additional notes, upon the anatomy of the *Trochili*, *Caprimulgi*, and *Cypselidæ*. — A communication was read from Dr. R. A. Philippi, C.M.Z.S., containing a preliminary notice of some of the Tortoises and Fishes of the coast of Chili. — Mr. Sclater exhibited the head of, and made remarks upon, an apparently undescribed species of Gazelle from Somali-land. — P. L. Sclater, Secretary.

2. Linnean Society of London.

18th Nov. 1886. — Mr. A. D. Michael exhibited living specimens and preparations of an *Argas* received from Mrs. Crawford, the State Entomologist of Adelaide, Australia. These appear to be identical with the much dreaded *Argas persicus* Fischer, the bite of which was supposed to cause madness and death. — The fifth and concluding part of the Rev. A. E. Eaton's Monograph of the Recent Ephemeridae or Mayflies was read in abstract. The author states in his entire Memoir 55 genera and 270 species have been characterized, in addition to 11 nameless nymphs, and 19 species named by other authors which cannot now be classified exactly. Amongst them 5 genera and 68 species may be reckoned new to science and 13 of the older species have had to be renamed. He gives a revised and comprehensive summary of the groups, series, sections and genera, a full description of the figures in the plates and complete index to the species and contents generally of the quarto volume. — J. Murie.

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