

December 2, 1861.

J. W. DOUGLAS, Esq., President, in the chair.

Donations.

The following donations were announced, and thanks ordered to be presented to the donors:—‘Notice of some North-American Species of Pieris,’ by Samuel Scudder, from the Proceedings of the Boston Society of Natural History, September, 1861; presented by the Author. ‘The Journal of the Society of Arts’ for November; by the Society. ‘The Zoologist’ for December; by the Editor. ‘Stettiner Entomologische Zeitung,’ 1861, Nos. 10—12; by the Entomological Society of Stettin.

Election of Subscribers.

James Fenn, Esq., of Clyde Villa, Lee; Charles Fenn, Esq., Clyde Villa, Lee; and Frank O. Ruspini, Esq., 85, Oakley Street, Chelsea, were balloted for and elected Subscribers to the Society.

Exhibitions.

Mr. Stevens exhibited a box of splendid Lepidoptera, sent by Mr. Wallace from Mysol, near New Guinea: the species were very similar to those previously sent home by Mr. Wallace from New Guinea and other adjoining islands. Mr. Stevens announced that Mr. Wallace was now at Batavia, and would probably return to England in the spring of next year.

Mr. Barnaud exhibited an extensive series of Coleoptera from Smyrna.

Mr. Machin exhibited specimens of a Gelechia, and also of a Tinea, which he was unable to refer to any known British species; and an example of *Æthia emortualis*, *W. V.*, taken near Loughton, in Essex: this species has been erroneously recorded as a native of Britain by Haworth and subsequent authors; but the only authentic indigenous example known, with the exception of the one now exhibited, was captured by the Rev. H. Birks, of Henley-on-Thames.

Mr. D’Urban exhibited a large collection of South African Lepidoptera, including several new species of the genus *Acræa*, &c.

Mr. Adam White exhibited drawings, by Mr. Robinson, of a species of *Mantispa*, bred in some numbers from a nest of *Polybia scutellaris*, *Saussure* (*Myrapetra scutellaris*, *White*), a wasp said to collect honey; this fine nest was brought from Monte Video: of the economy of the *Mantispa* nothing is yet known.

Mr. White called attention to a remarkable beetle of the family Buprestidæ in the collection of Mr. Jeakes: it is near *Anthraxia*, having the epistome projecting and developed into two marked horns—a character quite novel in this family of Coleoptera. Length about $2\frac{1}{2}$ lines. For the reception of this insect, which is from Santarem, Mr. White proposed to found a new genus, and dedicate it to the gentleman in whose collection it is contained.

Mr. S. Stevens exhibited a specimen of *Adelops Wollastoni*, *Janson*, found by Mr. John Stevens, under dead leaves in a market garden at Hammersmith.

Professor Westwood observed that Hammersmith appeared to be a far richer entomological locality than the neighbourhood of Oxford; since his removal from the former to the latter place he had captured very few insects.

Mr. Waterhouse exhibited a specimen of *Ischnoglossa corticina*, a species hitherto