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The Lecturer at the May meeting was Mr. Pedder of Cairns. Mr. Pedder has had a great many years experience in the old country in taxidermy and gave an instructive lecture on the subject to members of the Club. His illustration and demonstration of stuffing birds and animals was of peculiar interest to the Club at the time because of the efforts being made to establish a Museum in Cairns. Several members took particular note of many details and a vote of thanks was heartily accorded to the lecturer.

THE NORTH QUEENSLAND NATURALISTS CLUB.

Meeting Rooms: Motor Boat Club Rooms, Cairns.

General Meetings are held on the second Monday in each month and committee meetings are held on the first Monday, both meetings at 8 p.m.

Agenda Paper -- Minutes, Correspondence, Reports
Nomination and Election of Members (New Members are nominated at one meeting and elected by a ballot at the following monthly meeting)

Excursions - Members are invited to submit plans and suggestions for outdoor excursions to the meetings.

Exhibits -- It is desired that members having interesting specimens to exhibit at general meetings shall also make a few explanatory remarks upon them and hand a written summary of the remarks to the Secretary (Mr. J. Wyer) for inclusion in the Club's books. This request is also made to lecturers at the meetings.

Lecture and Adjournment -- After the ten minute interval, Dr. James Park Thomson will deliver a lecture on "The Barrier Reef". Date of Meeting, June 9th.

CLUB OFFICIALS: President, Dr. H. Flecker; Vice-Presidents, Capt. W. P. Fish and Miss Hooper; Secretary, J. Wyer; Executive Committee, the foregoing with the addition of M. J. Manski and W. M. Grant; Treasurer, R. J. Gorton; Editor and Librarian, Victor Kennedy.

THE GUIDE SERVICE.

The Club is not being assisted by those institutions that have much to gain by an effective service of trained guides on Green Island. Although the tourist season is well advanced, visitors are taken to the reef without any advice or preparation. When they arrive at high tide they may see nothing; even if the tide is low they still may not go on to the reef because of their good shoes and clothes. If they had had a little advice before leaving Cairns they would at least take a pair of old shoes. The Club has endeavoured to force this position upon the notice of shipping companies and local authorities without success. The Orungal took its complement of passengers to the Island and anchored out. A local launch then charged the visitors 4/6 return to take them from the vessel and land them on the jetty. When landed they had to remain upon the island because they were not prepared to go upon the reef, and, besides, two Club Guides who were present could not ask them to pay an extra 2/- for guidance. The Club had sought to place those two guides aboard the Orungal so that the passengers may have learned en route what to expect and how to prepare for a visit to the reef. The shipping company, however, chose to regard the guides as "local passengers", and the tourists were deprived of their services and trained advice.

WILD NATURE SHOW.

The Wild Nature Show proposed by the Club will be held in the Oddfellows Hall, Cairns, on August 18th and 19th, commencing in the afternoon of Friday the 18th. Exhibits will include any Natural objects indigenous to Australia, with special pride of place to North Queensland fauna, flora and minerals.

EXHIBITS.

The following specimens were exhibited by Dr. Flecker at the May meeting of the Club:-

Aleurites moluccana (Candlewood nut)
With nest of insects surrounding branches etc. Nest does not appear to harm young plant.

Land Shell *Helix forsteriana* (Pfeiffer)
Seeds of "Devil's Claw" or "Tiger's Claw" (*Martynia diandra*) Grown in cultivation from plant taken at Mt. Mulligan. Is an imported weed and has been declared noxious.

Box from which large centipede escaped
(See reference in last issue of the Journal)

Pinna. Collected at Holloway's Beach

Stick Insect (Phasmidae)

Podocarpus lalei. Collected by Harvard scientists at Mt. Spurgeon, 4,400 feet above sea level, on Mossman River.

Freshwater Shell (*Melania denisoniensis*)
From Collin's Gully Creek.

MEMBERSHIP

At the May meeting Mrs. Dick of "Fairylana" Kuranda was elected to Membership and the following proposals were received and will be balloted for at the June meeting:-

Miss K. Dodd; Messrs Davies, Shridde, F. Walshe;
G. Kiernan and C. Bowen.

A CENSUS OF THE PLANTS OF NORTH QUEENSLAND.

(Including Pastoral District of Cook, Burke and North Kennedy, and that portion of the Mitchell North of the 22nd parallel of South Latitude.)

Kingdom Plantae.

Division Phanerogamae (Linn.)

Class Dicotyledoneae (Ray)

Subclass Choripetaleae hypogynae (F.v.M)

Family Ranunculaceae (Juss.)

Clematis (Linn)

glycinoides D.C. Erect Clematis. (Flowers in August)

North of Rockingham Bay, Southward.

Family Dilleniaceae (Salisb.)

Tetracera (Linn.)

daemeliana (F.v.M)

Cape York (Daemel)

nordtiana (F.v.M)

Rockingham Bay (J. Dallachy)

cowleyana (Bailey) Teeweerae

Cairns (Cowley); Herbert River (Eaton)

wuthiana (F.v.M)

Daintree River (Fitzalan);

Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

Wormea (Rottb.)

alata (R. Br.)

Pine Creek

Hibbertia (Andr.)

banksii (Benth.)

Endeavour River (Benth.)

dealbata (Benth.)

Coast Sands & Somerset

candicans (Benth.)

Albany Island (F.v.M);

Cape York (M'Gillivray)

Hibbertia

millari (Bailey)

Musgrave (T.B. Millar)

synandra (F.v.M)

Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

velutina (R.Br.)

Walsh's Pyramid, Mulgrave

River; Mt. Harold off

Tringilburra Creek.

lepidota (R.Br.)

Northcote (Burton)

melhanoides (F.v.M)

Rockingham Bay

oenotheroides (F.v.M)

Gilbert River (R. Daintree)

bennettii (Bailey)

Irvin's bank.

Family Nymphaeaceae.

Nymphaea (Linn.)

lotus (Linn.)

Var. *australis* (Baile);

White Water-Lily.

Still waters off Barron

River.

tetragona (Georgi)

Small Bluish Water-Lily

Family Piperaceae (Rich.)

Piper (Linn.) Pepper

novae-hollandiae (Miq)

Australian Pepper-vine.

Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)

banksii (Miq.)

Endeavour River (Banks

and Solander)

Piper.

- mestoni (Bail.) Long
Pepper.
Harvey's Ck; Russell Rv.
rothiana (Bail.) Chibbi
Atherton (J.F. Bailey)
Peperomia (Ruiz & Pav.)
leptostachya (Hook & Arn.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
enervis C. DC & F.v.M
Bartle Frere (Johnson
and Meston)
Family Magnoliaceae (St. Hil.)
Drimys (Forst.)
membranaea (F.v.M.)
Hills about Mulgrave Rv.
semicarpoides (F.v.M.)
Russell Ck. (Sayer); Rock-
ingham Bay (Dallachy)
Galbulimima (Bail.)
baccata (Bail.)
Boar Pocket & Evelyn,
Herberton District. (J.
F. Bailey)
Family Anonaceae (Juss.)
Uvaria (Linn.)
membranacea (Benth.)
Somerset (M. Gillivray)
goezeana (F.v.M.)
Mountains around Rock-
ingham Bay (Dallachy)
Polyalthia (Blume)
nitidissima (Benth.) We-a
Thursday Island; Batavia
River.
Mitrephora (Blume)
froggattii (F.v.M.)
Mossman River (Sayer &
Froggatt.)
Haplostichanthus (F.v.M.)
johnsonii (F.v.M.)
Mt. Bartle Frere (Johnson

- Melodorum (Dun.)
uhrii (F.v.M.)
Scrubs of Rockingham
Bay (Dallachy)
maccreni
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
Saccopetalum (Benth.)
brahei (F.v.M.)
Pt. Denison
Family Monimiaceae (Juss.)
Palmeria (F.v.M.)
scandens (F.v.M.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
Mollinedia (Ruiz & Pav.)
angustifolia (Bail.)
Bellenden Ker, at about
3,000 to 4,000 ft.
wardellii (F.v.M.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
macrooraia (Bail.)
Bellenden Ker range up
to summit of S. Peak.
loxocarya (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay
acuminata (F.v.M.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
subternata (Bailey)
Freshwater Ck. (E. Cowley);
Tully River (Roth.)
Kibara (Endl.)
macrophylla (Benth.)
Endeavour River.
laxiflora (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay
pubescens (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
Daphnandra (Benth.)
aromatica (Bail.) Cheed-
ingnan.
Johnstone River.
Family Lauraceae (Vent.)
Cryptocarya (R.Br.)

Cryptocarya

- murrayi (F.v.M.)
Barron River; Rockingham
Bay (Dallachy)
mackinnoniana (F.v.M.)
Koonjoongaroo
Cape York (Hill) Rockingham
Bay (Dallachy)
obovata (R.Br.) Sycamore
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
glaucescens (R.Br.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
var. coriacea (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
triplinervis (R.Br.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
Pt. Denison (D. Fitzalan);
Edgecombe Bay (Dallachy)
cinnamomifolia (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
oblata (Bail.)
Daintree River (E. Cowley)
graveolens (Bail.) Gir-irjal
Tringilburra Creek; Ather-
ton (J.F. Bailey); Johnstone
River (Bancroft); Tully Rv.
(J.F. Bailey)
palmerstonii (Bail.) Black
Walnut.
Barron River
Russell River.
bancroftii (Bail.) Red Walnut
Johnstone River; Tully River
Cardwell.
Beilschmiedia (Nees)
obtusifolia (Benth.)
Rockingham Bay (Dallachy)
lachnostemonea (F.v.M.)
Russell River (Sayer)
Endiandra (R.Br.)
glauca (R.Br.)
Endeavour River (Banks & Sol.)

Endiandra.

- Cape Grafton (A.
Cunningham)
Rockingham Bay
(Dallachy)
hypotephra (F.v.M.)
Rockingham Bay
(Dallachy)
discolor (Benth.)
Albany Island & Cape
York (V. Hill); Rock-
ingham Bay (Dallachy)
cowleyana (Bail.)
Scrubs near Barron
Rv. (E. Cowley)
dichrophylla (F.v.M.)
Russell River (S.
Johnson)
exostemonea (F.v.M.)
Daintree River
(Pentzke)
sankeyana (Bail.) Gool-
away
Scrubs about Barron
River (E. Cowley)
insignis (Bail.) Boom-
ban
Barron River (J.F.
Bailey); Cairns Dist-
rict to Bellenden
Ker Range (Bailey);
Atherton (Roth)
tooram (Bail.) Tooram
Middle Tully River
(J.F. Bailey)
Cinnamomum (Burm.)
propinquum (Bail.)
Summit of Bellenden
Ker
Litsea (Lam.)
chinensis (Lam.)
Islands of Gulf of

Carpentaria (R.Br. Henne); Pt. Denison (Fitzalan (Dallachy) zeylanica Lizard Island (Banks & Solander); Rockingham Bay (Dallachy) Between Rockingham & Cleveland Bays (W.Hill); Pt. Denison (Fitzalan) dealbata (Nees) Marragid-die. Barron River (J.F. Bailey) bindoniana (F.v.M.) Summit of McAlister Hill, Rockingham Bay (Dallachy) ferruginea (Benth. & Hook) Endeavour River & Cape Grafton (Banks & Solander); Rockingham Bay (Dallachy); between Rockingham & Cleveland Bays (W.Hill) var. lanceolata (Meissn.) Family Island, Rockingham Bay (Dallachy) reticulata (B. & H.) Bally Gum. Rockingham Bay (Dallachy) assytha (Osbeck) Laurel Dodders. glabella (R.Br.) Tangled Dodder-laurel. Islands of Gulf of Carpentaria. (R.Br.) filiformis (Linn.) Albany Island.; Howick's Group (F.v.M.)

Hernandia (Linn.) peltata (Meissn.) Frankland Islands (McGillivray); Dunk Island (Dallachy) Family Menispermaceae Tineospora (Miers) smilacina (Benth.) Thursday Island & Cape York. berneyi (Baill.) Hughenden Limacia (Lour.) selwynii (F.v.M.) Kamerunga (Cowley) Adeliopsis (Benth.) decumbens (Benth.) Cape York Peninsula. Pycnarrhena (Miers) australiana (F.v.M.) Endeavour River & near Trinity Bay. Pachygone (Miers) latifolia (Bailey) Mourilyan Harbour (Mugford) Family Capparideae (Endl.) Cleome (Linn.) tetrandra (Banks) Gulf of Carpentaria (R.Br.) Capparis (Linn.) umbellata (R.Br.) Coast Scrubs from Cape York to Pt. Denison. lasiantha (R.Br.) Nipang Flinders River; Cloncurry quinifolia, DC. Hamilton Island, Torres St., Ranges from Cape York to Cairns. (To be continued)