lata scabrosa incompleta, articulo 3^{io} quam scapo dimidio brevior, 4^{to} adhuc brevior, ceteris brevissimis. Thorax post medium tuberculo acuto armatus. Elytra thorace fere duplo latiora, absque cristis, apice rotundata. Mesosternum productum, conicum. Tibiæ intermediæ extus oblique sulcatæ. Ungues parum divaricati.

The incompleteness of the ridge limiting the cicatrice of the scape (it is, in fact, very short) would remove this genus from the group to which *Achthophora* belongs, but in all its other characters it agrees with the group. The claws in three species of *Achthophora* which I have examined are as feebly divaricated as in the new genus.

EUSYNTHETA BREVICORNIS.

Supra fuligineo-nigra, vertice vittis duabus latis, thorace lineis duabus dorsalibus, scutello, elytris fascia lata mediana et macula magna apicali, cinereo-albo tomentosis: antennis articulis nonnullis basi, fronte genisque, corpore subtus et pedibus cinereis. Thorax grosse ruguloso-punctatus. Elytra basi late grosse et aspere, versus apicem sparsim grosse, punctata. Long. 16-20 millim.

Three examples—two in Mr. Fry's collection.

November 5, 1889.

Prof. Flower, C.B., LL.D., F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

The Secretary read the following reports on the additions made to the Society's Menagerie during the months of June, July, August, and September, 1889:—

The total number of registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of June was 100, of which 18 were by birth, 53 by presentation, 19 by purchase, 3 by exchange, and 7 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 111.

Amongst these is a fine male specimen of the Cocoa-nut Land-Crab of the East Indies (*Birgus latro*), presented by Commander Alfred Carpenter, R.N., and received June 14th.

This Crab, which has been placed in the Insect-house, feeds well on vegetable-marrow and other fruits. It is the first specimen received of this interesting species¹.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of July were 152 in number; of these 55 were acquired by presentation, 39 by purchase, 4 by exchange, 42 by birth, and 12 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 117.

Among these special attention may be called to the following:—

1. A Short Python (*Python curtus*), from Malacca, presented July 2nd by Mrs. Bertha M. L. Bonsor; new to the Collection.

¹ See notice in the 'Field' of July 13th, 1889 (vol. lxxiv. p. 45).

2. A Prêtre's Amazon (*Chrysotis prætrii*), purchased July 23rd ; also new to the Collection.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of August were 117 ; of these 63 were acquired by presentation, 6 by purchase, 6 by birth, 1 by exchange, and 41 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 96.

The registered additions to the Society's Menagerie during the month of September were 84 ; of these 34 were acquired by presentation, 22 by purchase, 4 by exchange, 10 were bred in the Gardens, and 14 were received on deposit. The total number of departures during the same period by death and removals was 78.

Prof. F. Jeffrey Bell, F.Z.S., exhibited and made remarks on two specimens of *Virgularia mirabilis*, dredged up by the Hon. A. E. Gathorne Hardy, M.P., in Loch Craigrush ; also two young living specimens of *Palinurus vulgaris*, received from Mr. Spencer of Guernsey, and a fresh specimen of *Galathea strigosa*, also received from Mr. Spencer. The mode of stridulating of the *Palinurus* was observable in the specimens.

Mr. J. H. Gurney, jun., F.Z.S., exhibited a specimen of a hybrid Wagtail, between *Motacilla melanope* and *M. lugubris*, one of three bred some years ago in Mr. T. J. Monk's aviary at Lewes in Sussex (being the same as those mentioned in the 'Zoologist' for 1885, p. 24), and made some remarks on the probability of various Wagtails, closely allied, interbreeding in a wild state.

Mr. W. B. Tegetmeier, F.Z.S., exhibited and made remarks on some specimens illustrative of variations in the plumage of the Common Partridge (*Perdix cinerea*).

A communication was read from the Rev. Thomas R. R. Stebbing on *Urothoë*, a genus of Amphipodous Crustaceans, and on a new allied genus, proposed to be called *Urothoides*, of which *Urothoë lachneessa*, Stebbing, was the type.

This Memoir will be printed in the Society's 'Transactions.'

The following papers were read :—

1. List of Birds collected by Mr. Ramage in St. Lucia, West Indies. By P. L. SCLATER, M.A., Ph.D., F.R.S., Secretary to the Society.

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The series of birds collected in St. Lucia by Mr. George A. Ramage, the naturalist employed by the joint Committee of the Royal Society and the British Association for the investigation of