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ON A NEW GENUS OF ASCOMYCETES.—‘DURING the present summer a quantity of fungus material was sent to me for examination by the Lancashire County Council, with the information that it was causing blockage in certain drains in an estate near Preston. The material on examination was found to consist largely of mycelia of members of the Saprolegniaceae, especially *Saprolegnia androgynia* and *Leptomitrus* (*Apodya*) *lacteus*. There were present, however, indications of another fungus which could not be identified with the means at my disposal. I submitted some of the material to Mr. Massee, of Kew, for his opinion. He finds that

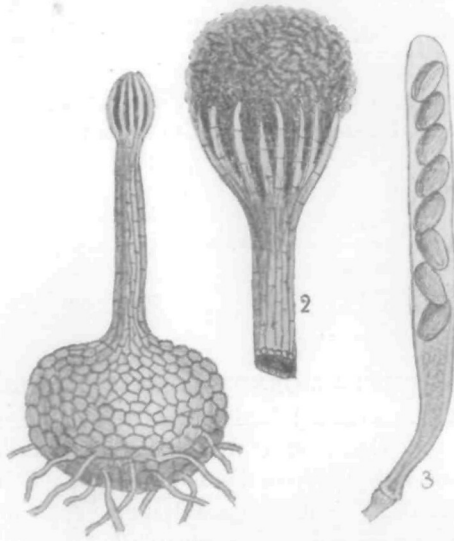


Fig. 1. Perithecium. $\times 60$.

Fig. 2. Upper portion of beak of perithecium showing extruded mass of mucilage, containing spores. $\times 200$.

Fig. 3. Ascus containing spores. $\times 400$.

the unknown fungus is a genus and species new to Science. Mr. Massee has been so kind as to examine the structure of the fungus in detail, and has favoured me with the following diagnosis and description.

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