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October 28, 1937.—B. P. Pande: Prosotocus himalayai, n. sp., a Frog trematode (Lecithodendriida). P. B. Ganguly: On an equation for the Viscosity of Mixtures.

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October 1937.—N. K. Chatterji: Studies on the respiration of Eugenia Jambolana leaves with respect to their sugar, acid and catalase content. Jillella Venkateswarlu: Structure and Development of the Embryo-sac of Pemphis acidula Forst. B. C. Kundu: A New Species of Polyarthrodactylous Nitella with a review of the Allied Species. C. Bhashyakarla Rao: The Zygnemoideæ of the United Provinces, India—I. I. Banerji and H. C. Gangulee: Spermatogenesis in Eichhornia crassipes Solms. A. C. Joshi, Megasporogenesis in Alœvera Linn. H. G.

CHAMPION: Note on Phenological Observations to be made in India. S. A. PARANDEKAR: A Note on the Uredo on Jasminum malabaricum Wight.

# Association of Economic Biologists, Coimbatore:

September 9, 1937.—E. K. JANAKI AMMAL: Some Experimental Evidence for the Origin of the Indigenous Canes of India.—The indigenous cultivated canes of India, the so-called S. barberi and S. sinense of Jesweit, occupy taxonomically a position intermediate between the noble cane S. officinarum and the wild species, S. spontaneum. Evidence for the origin of these canes from S. Spontaneum has been obtained from (1) the study of the occasional giant triploids amongst selfed progenies of S. spontaneum in which resemblance to S. barberi is very pronounced; (2) the occurrence of giant interspecific hybrids from fertilisation of unreduced gametes in one of the parents; (3) from the phenomena of heterosis met with in crosses between widely separated chromosomal types of S. spontaneum and (4) variation in sucrose content observed in populations of S. spontaneum seedlings. K. M. THOMAS: The Relative Function of the Enzyme Pectinase and Oxalic acid in the Parasitic Fungi.—The enzyme production of three parasitic fungi, Botrytis Cinerea, Schlerotinia sclerotiorum and Sclerotium Rolfsii have been studied with special reference to their capacity to produce oxalic acid.

October 1925.—J. S. Patel: Coconut Breeding.
—The results of the work carried out at the Agricultural Research Station, Kasargod, are given. M. C. Cherian and C. K. Subramanian: Studies on the white Moth Borer of Sugarcane in South India.—The life-history of the moth, symptoms of damage, extent of damage, the species of Scripophaga occurring in South India, natural enemies of the moth and remedial measures are described.

### Meteorological Office Colloquium, Poona:

October 5, 1937.—Dr. S. K. Banerji summarised the recent work of Sir George Simpson and F. J. Scrase on the distribution of electricity in thunder clouds.

### Erratum.

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