# October 8, 1833.

# N. A. Vigors, Esq., in the Chair.

A letter was read, addressed to the Secretary by W. A. Wooler, Esq., and giving an account of a wild Dog from the Mahablishwar Hills, now known as Malcolm's Pate, in the Presidency of Bombay: its local name is Dhale. The habits of this Dog, in a state of nature, are described by Mr. Wooler: they accord with those of the Búansú of Nepâl, as detailed by Mr. Hodgson in a paper read at the previous Meeting of the Society.

A specimen was exhibited of the hairless Egyptian variety of the familiar Dog, which had recently died at the Society's Gardens. The exhibition was made principally with the view of illustrating the apparent connexion between teeth and hair. In this animal, so remarkable for its deficiency of hair, a corresponding deficiency of teeth was observed; there being neither incisors nor canines in either jaw, and the molars being reduced to one on each side, the large tubercular tooth being the only one remaining.

Mr. Yarrell stated in further illustration of the subject, that he had examined the mouths of two individuals of the same variety still living at the Gardens, in both of which he found the teeth remarkably deficient. In neither of them were there any false molars; one was entirely destitute of canines also, these teeth being in the other short of the usual number; and the incisors were also in both

deficient in number.

He also exhibited from his collection the cranium of a hairless Terrier, in which the false molars were wanting.

A letter was read addressed to the Secretary by M. Savi, For. Memb. Z.S., and dated Pisa, July 22, 1833. It accompanied a collection of the works of the writer, which he presented to the Society, together with specimens of most of the zoological objects which he had added to science. These specimens were exhibited.

In bringing them severally under the notice of the Society, the Secretary continually referred to those writings of M. Savi which related to them, and explained from thence the most interesting par-

ticulars connected with each of the specimens submitted.

A collection of skins of Mammalia, obtained from the Frankfort Museum, was exhibited. The whole of them were from Abyssinia, where they were procured by M. Rüppell, in the 'Zoological Atlas' of whose 'Travels in Northern Africa' many of them were for the first time described and figured. They included thirteen species new to the Society's collection, and were severally brought under the notice of the Meeting by the Secretary.

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