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June ~~19~~, 1935.

Mr. Henry W. Fowler
Academy of Natural Sciences
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Fowler:

The MS. and the drawings of lantern fishes which you had borrowed arrived this afternoon and I am writing to let you know, as you requested.

The new genus Lepipsenes which you include in the MS. for Psenes pellucidus, has, I find, recently been described by J. L. B. Smith in Trans. Roy. Soc. So. Africa, 22, 1934, as Papyrichthys. I have changed this in your MS.

I note that you have entirely omitted the peculiar genus and species Xenogramma carinatum Waite from your MS., although you include many extralimital Gempylids, and this one is known from Lord Howe Island to Japan and California, thus surely entering your range. You also give no mention of Centrolophus californicus K. Hobbs, though extralimital Centrolophids are treated. Neither do I find mention of Psenes pacificus, the type of which, together with that of C. californicus, is here available on the shelf. I have also corrected a few misspellings of names I have noticed such as Ectenias for Etenias, though I have not attempted to go through the whole MS.

In your key, Xenogramma would fall in the Scomberomoridae, though it has no close relation with any member of the family, belonging, rather, near Ruvettus. This is on account of your using the surely superficial character of the caudal keel for family distinction, rather than the more diagnostic structure of the caudal base. I believe you ought to go over the MS. personally some time and insert these things. A careful check-up of the Zoological Record will doubtless show others needing insertion.

Yours sincerely,

Asst. Curator Fishes.

Academy of Nat. Sci.
Philadelphia
June 19th 1935

Dear Myers —

I am sending you
this day by prepaid express
insured, the tenth part of
my report on the Philippine
Collection of Fishes. It includes
2444 ms. and the 58 drawings
borrowed some time ago.

When this arrives safely will
you kindly drop me a line
accordingly? With kind regards
and best wishes for a
pleasant summer

Very Sincerely
Henry W. Fowler

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Returned to
Dr. Myers as requested
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Dr. A. Wetmore
Asst. Secretary
Thru: Dr. L. Stejneger
Head Curator Biology.

Dear Sir:

I am herewith forwarding the tenth installment of Mr. H. W. Fowler's MS. on the fishes of the Philippine Cruise of the U. S. S. Albatross, received this afternoon from Mr. Fowler by prepaid express, together with his letter transmitting the same, and my reply to him stating that the MS. had come.

The drawings mentioned by Mr. Fowler are ones to illustrate previous installments, which he borrowed some time ago. I am keeping these here with the other Philippine drawings.

I should like to ask that when you have finished looking over the MS, it be returned to this division to be stored with the other unpublished installments.

I forward the MS. without comment other than that it bears the marks of extreme haste in preparation, together with numerous errors and omissions, being similar in this to the preceding installments. Mr. Fowler has said that he intends going over the MSS. of the various unpublished installments before publication - at such time as there seems some likelihood of sending them to press.

Respectfully,

George S. Myers
Assistant Curator, in charge,
Division of Fishes.