Scientific Notes.

A NEW RECORD OF PEDICINUS HAMADRYAS MIÖBERG (PHTHIRAPTERA, ANOPLURA) FROM THE CHACMA BABOON IN SOUTH AFRICA.

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Bedford (1932) recorded specimens of Pedicinus hamadryas Mjöberg from Papio griseipes (= P. ursinus griseipes Pocock). These specimens were determined by Ferris who was able to compare them with Mjöberg's types. Hopkins (1949) apparently considered the record of the host in some way doubtful since he did not record P. ursinus griseipes as a host of this louse in his host-list.

Recently, Dr. F. Zumpt, of this department, collected at Potchefstroom, Transvaal, two specimens, a nymph and a male, of Pedicinus hamadryas from a wild Papio ursinus occidentalis Goldblatt. The host was determined with the aid of keys in Roberts (1951). This definitely establishes Papio ursinus as a host of this louse.

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