

THE TYPE LOCALITY OF THE GECKO, *HOPLODACTYLUS*
DUVAUCELII DUM. AND BIBR.

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In my paper "Remarks on some Old World Geckoes"¹ I suggested that the types, and only known specimens, of *Hoplodactylus duvaucelii* Dum. and Bibr. could not have come from Bengal, as is generally stated, but that some error must have occurred when labelling the specimens. It was highly improbable that a genus which was known otherwise only from New Zealand should inhabit also the Indian region.

This view has now been confirmed by the arrival of a living specimen of *H. duvaucelii* at the Gardens of the Zoological Society of London. It was caught on the Island of Hen and Chickens, off the East Coast of North Island, New Zealand, and shows well the two characters by which it differs from its close ally, *H. pacificus*, namely the greater number of lamellae beneath the toes and the larger size. The living specimen is considerably larger than the types, measuring 135 mm. from snout to vent.

At the same time I take the opportunity of correcting two typographical errors which through no fault of mine, occur in the same article.

On page 12, line 4 from the bottom, "*specifica*" should read "*pacifica*."

On page 12, line 3 from the bottom, "specimens" should read "species."

¹ *Rec. Ind. Mus.* XXXV, p. 13 (1933).