

*NOTE ON SEVERAL FOSSILS FROM MADAGASCAR
RECENTLY BROUGHT TO THE LABORATORY OF PALEONTOLOGY,*

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Mr. Dr. Decorse, Colonial doctor, forwarded to us, among other fossils, a certain number of vertebrae and fragments of dinosaur bone recovered at the foot of a hill, on the right bank of the Betsiboka river. This locality appears to be close to that which Mr. Depéret noted south of Majunga. Among the remains recovered by Mr. Dr. Decorse, some are referred to a dinosaurian herbivore; others, notably several trenchant, serrated teeth, to a dinosaurian carnivore, probably a *Megalosaurus*.

Mr. Schneepli, Swiss engineer based at Diego-Suarez, gave us, during a trip he made to Paris, a certain number of invertebrate fossils coming from the entirely northern part of the Isle, from Montagne-des-Français. I have already had the occasion to call the attention of Réunion to the paleontological richness of the environs of Diego-Suarez, and I have shown that most of the Cretaceous stages there are represented by fossiliferous beds. Mr. Schneepli's fossils are of a remarkable preservation. You can judge by the drawing that I present you: one is a *Schlenbachia* armed with long spines and very close to *Schl. inflata* from our country; the other is a *Turrilites* that seems to me identical to *T. indicus* Stol. from the upper Cretaceous of India, and which is remarkable for the good preservation of its mouth.

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