

NOTES ON SOME TASMANIAN PLANTS,

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Verbena officinalis, L. sp. pl. 20, near Launceston; Aug. Simson. The discovery of the medicinal Vervain in Tasmania, though not unexpected, is of double interest, inasmuch as this plant adds a natural order to the flora of the Island. This *Verbena* is rather widely, although not copiously, distributed through South-Eastern Australia, but not yet found in New Zealand, where however it may have been overlooked, as it has been for so long a time in Tasmania.

Acradenia Franklinia, Kipp., Pieman's River; Aug. Simson.

Stackhousia flava, Hook., Pieman's River; Aug. Simson.

Fagus Gunnii, J. Hook., Mount Roland, 3,500ft.; Emmett.

Schoenus fluitans, J. Hook., St. Patrick's River; Aug. Simson.

The genus *Diselma* is now reduced to *Fitzroya*, by Bentham, in B. and H. gen. plant., iii., 426 (1880), while *Frenela* is suppressed, to restore the genus *Callitris* again to its full right.

Zieria veronicaea, F. v. M. in the transact. of the Philos. Soc. of Vict., i. 11 (1854), a narrow-leaved variety, Scamander Bridge, near the North-East Coast; A. Simson.

Eucalyptus hæmastoma, gum-topped stringy bark, Smith in the transact. of the Linn. Soc., iii., 285, Lake Sorell and elsewhere; Stephens.

Sphacelaria Muelleri, Sonder, and *Polysiphonia dendritica*, Agardh, occurred in collections of *Algæ* from Tasmania recently, for the first time; both came from Emu Bay.