

No. I. A Habitat of Schomburgk's Deer (*Cervus schomburgki*).

In a paper by Major E. Seidenfaden in Volume XIII of the Journal of the Siam Society, the following passage occurs (Part 3, May 1920, pp. 49, 50):—

“In 1919 I met several hunters from Amphö Pu Kio (now called Pak Bang) who told me that a tribe called *Khā Dong Lüang* (the withered leaves' savages) or *Khā Tam Bang* (the savages who can make themselves invisible) lived in the jungle on the slopes of the big Pu Kio mountain, which to the west separates Amphö Pak Bang from the Petchabun changvad. These Khā are under middle height, well built, but very dark hued; their hair is lank and straight as that of mongoloid races, not curly as that of negroids; both sexes go entirely naked; they do not construct houses but live under some hastily erected leaf shelters like the Semang; and they leave these shelters, after some few days (hence the name *Khā Dong Lüang*). Their only weapon is a sort of wooden javelin, the point of which is hardened in fire; they are courageous and able hunters and chase and kill both the one-horned and the two-horned rhinoceros (Kaso), the sladang or Kating ox, deer and wild pigs and that rare animal, Schomburgk's deer, which is living just in this region.”

This locality is either within, or very near, the area to which Mr. P. R. Kemp considers *Cervus schomburgki* to be restricted (Journ. N. H. S. Siam III, p. 7), and helps us towards a more definite knowledge of its habitat.

The Journal of the Siam Society is not commonly consulted by zoologists, and the passage is of sufficient interest to have their attention called to it.

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No. II. The status of the Burmese House-Crow (*Corvus splendens insolens*) as a Siamese Bird.

Oates, in writing of *C. insolens* [Handbook Birds Brit. Burmah (1883) I, p. 399], remarks that “It has been sent from Siam, where it is probably abundant; and Dr. Tiraud states that this species is the common House-Crow of Cochin China.” The same author [Fauna Brit. India, Birds I (1889), p. 21] observes that “This species extends into Siam and Cochin China.”

The next reference which I can trace is that of Gyldenstolpe [Kungl. Sv. Vet. Akad. Hand., Band 50, No. 8. (1913), p. 18] who says of *Corvus insolens*:—“Very common in Bangkok and its