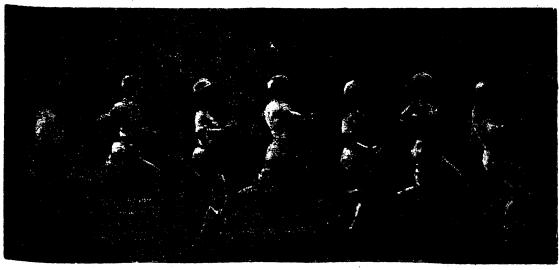


THE POISONOUS LIZARD (HELODERMA HORRIDUM) FROM MEXICO, AT THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS, LONDON, ENGLAND.

The lizard in question is the heloderm (heloderma horridum of naturalists) or "scorpione" of the Spanish natives of the countries which it inhabits. The heloderm, though its venom is proverbially not fatal to human life, is decidedly a dangerous animal. Mr. J. Stein, a German traveller in Mexico, having been bitten in the finger by one of these lizards suffered severe symptoms, similar to those ordinarily produced by a snake-bite, and the deadly effects of the fangs of the heloderm upon small mammals have been proved by actual experiments.

An example of the heloderm, shown in our figure, and which is believed to be the first that has reached Europe alive, has recently been presented to the Zoological Society of London, by Sir John Lubbock, and may be now seen in the reptile-house in Regent's Park. It is about fifteen inches long, and certainly not unattractive in appearance, being covered with red and black scales. The specimen in question is a native of Arizona, where it was forwarded to Sir John Lubbock by Mr. Treadwell, Manager of the Central Arizona Mining Co.



THE SUCCESSIVE PHASES IN THE MOTION OF A MAN RUNNING.