OPINION 925

THREE LINNAEAN SPECIFIC NAMES IN BRACHIOPODA: SUPPRESSED UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers the following specific names are hereby suppressed for the purposes of the Law of Priority but not for those of the Law of Homonymy;

(a) striatula Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia striatula;
(b) lacunosa Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia lacunosa;
(c) hysterita Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia hysterita.

(2) The following specific names, as suppressed under the plenary powers in (1) above, are hereby placed on the Official Index of Rejected and Invalid Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) striatula Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia striatula (Name No. 942);
(b) lacunosa Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia lacunosa (Name No. 943);
(c) hysterita Linnaeus, 1758, as published in the binomen Anomia hysterita (Name No. 944).

(3) The following specific names are hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Numbers specified:

(a) wilsoni J. Sowerby, 1816, as published in the binomen Terebratula wilsoni (Name No. 2406);
(b) vulvarius Schlotheim, 1820, as published in the binomen Hysterolithes vulvarius (Name No. 2407).

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1810)

The present application was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. C. H. C. Brunton and Dr. L. R. M. Cocks in June 1967. The application was sent to the printer on 6 July 1967 and published on 7 December 1967 in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 24: 297–300. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the Bulletin as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Art. 12b; Bull. zool. Nomencl. 21: 184) and to four specialist serials. No comment was received.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 28 August 1969 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (69)40 either for or against the proposals set out in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 24: 299. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 28 November 1969 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-two (22), received in the following order: China, Holthuis, Melville, Mayr, Vokes, Jaczewski, do Amaral, Simpson, Lemche, Obruchev, Eisenmann, Tortonese, Brinck, Mertens, Bonnet, Evans, Binder, Ride, Forest, Alvarado, Sabrosky, Kraus.

Negative votes—one (1): Starobogatov.
Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Munroe.
In returning his negative votes Dr. Starobogatov wrote, "It is very dangerous to suppress Linnaean names”.

ORIGINAL REFERENCES
The following are the original references for names placed on the Official List and Index by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:
hysterita, Anomia, Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 703
lacunosa, Anomia, Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 702
striatula, Anomia, Linnaeus, 1758, Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1: 702
wilsoni, Terebratula, J. Sowerby, 1816, Min. Conch. 2: 38, pl. 118, fig. 3
vulvarius, Hysterolithes, Schlotheim, 1820, Die Petrefactenk. : 247

CERTIFICATE
We certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (69)40 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 925.

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Assistant Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
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