

mens to be found in collections could be known. So far as my information goes, it still remains an exclusively Canadian species.

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UNIDENTIFIED BOMBYCIDS.

Sir: Concerning Prof. Smith's note on page 164 of June CAN. ENT., it is, perhaps, unprofitable to enter into a discussion as to whether the generic names from Hübner's Tentamen should be adopted or not; but, as far as our Bombyces are concerned, there are only four of these names with which we have to do. They are: (1) *Nycteola*, Hubn., for *Sarrothripus*, Curt.; (2) *Hypercompa*, Hubn., for *Zoote*, Hubn. (Verz.), for *Euprepia caja*, Linn.; (3) *Dasychira*, Hubn., for *Dasychira*, Steph.; (4) *Melalopha*, Hubn., for *Ichthyura*, Hubn., (Verz.). The third of these introduces only a change in the name of the author; *Euprepia* cannot stand for *caja* anyway, since it must be used for the species of "Arctia" according to Mr. Kirby's method of fixing types, which seems eminently proper. The name *Arctia*, Schrank, has for its type *A. villica*, Linn., replacing *Epicallia*, Hubn. Our species, *E. virginalis*, by the way, is not congeneric with *A. villica*, nor with *C. dominula*, as Kirby puts it; but it seems hazardous to charge it till the European genera have been revised. If we discard *Hypercompa* (Hubn., Tent.), for *caja*, the name *Zoote* (Hubn., Verz.), comes next in order. Thus there are only two of the Tentamen names which supplant names now in use, and only one which supplants a name by a different author. It seems to us more satisfactory to adopt these names and end controversy about them, especially as they have been adopted by Kirby in his work where the Bombyces of the world are brought together in a uniform system. We dislike to depart from this standard without conclusive reason.

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