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NOTE ON THE GENERIC TITLE *BURTIA*.

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The generic title *Burtia* was proposed by me in the first part of the Notes on the Zygaenidæ of Cuba, read February 12, 1866, before the Ent. Soc. Phil., and published in July of the same year. The genus is, however, incorrectly dated "1867" by Kirby in his catalogue of 1892, where *B. rubella* seems also wrongly given as a synonym of *Gundlachia cruenta*, H.-S., the two species being presumably distinct. Now, Moeschler had previously, in 1890 (Lep. Porto Rico, p. 349), given "*Horamia plumosa*, H.-S.," as a synonym of *B. rubella*, and "*G. cruenta*" as a synonym of *Callicarus pennipes*, thus according to my paper priority over Herrich-Schaeffer's in the Correspondenz Blatt, although these reversed references may chiefly show that Moeschler could not make out H.-S. descriptions, which are usually scanty. Kirby (p. 129) also gives *pennipes* the preference over *plumosa*, a name I cannot find in Hampson. From my copy, evidently not the original issue, I cannot find out the exact date for *Gundlachia*. Kirby dates *H. pretellus*, H.-S., as "Aug., 1866," a month later than *Gundlachia* or *Eurtia*, though the former is, in my copy, on the previous page of Corr. Blatt. Under the circumstances that my paper was read in February, 1866, that Moeschler prefers *Burtia* in 1890, and that I figure it, I think my name should hold for the Cuban genus over *Gundlachia*, even if both appeared in the same month—July, 1866. Sir G. Hampson copies Kirby's wrong date of "1867" for *Burtia*, and, evidently misled by this, gives my name as a synonym, while separating the two species, *B. cruenta* and *B. rubella*, and figuring *rubella* on Plate XIII., Fig. 9, of his exhaustive work on the Syntomids. In the Philadelphia Check List the name *Burtia* is unnecessarily used for the Florida *Didasys belæ*, Grote, the two genera being distinct. I am not able to account for Kirby giving the date of "1867" for the genus *Callicarus*, Grote, 1866, a name he also misspells, and which is described in the same paper with *Burtia*. Probably the correct date for *Horamia plumosa*, H.-S., is August, while that of *Callicarus pennipes*, Grote, is certainly July, 1866.