OPINION 691

CYRNUS STEPHENS, 1836 (INSECTA, TRICHOPTERA): DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

RULING.—(1) Under the plenary powers all designations of type-species for the nominal genus Cyrnus Stephens, 1836, made prior to the present Ruling, are hereby set aside and the nominal species Cyrnus unipunctatus Stephens, 1836, is hereby designated to be the type-species of that genus.

(2) The generic name Cyrnus Stephens, 1836 (gender: masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, Cyrnus unipunctatus Stephens, 1836, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1573.

(3) The specific name trimaculatus Curtis, 1834, as published in the binomen Philopotamus trimaculatus, is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name No. 1954.

HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1491)
The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission in July 1961 by Dr. F. C. J. Fischer. Dr. Fischer’s application was sent to the printer on 22 August 1961 and was published on 23 March 1962 in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 19 : 117. 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 (Bull. zool. Nomencl. 4 : 51–56) and to seven entomological serials. The proposals were supported by Prof. L. W. Grensted, Mr. D. E. Kimmins and Dr. Glen B. Wiggins.

DECISION OF THE COMMISSION
On 5 March 1963 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (63)12 either for or against the proposals set out in Bull. zool. Nomencl. 19 : 117. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 5 June 1963 the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-four (24), received in the following order: China, Mayr, Holthuis, Hering, Hemming, Vokes, Munroe, Lemche, Binder, Stoll, Brinck, Obruchev, Key, Alvarado, Uchida, Boschma, do Amaral, Riley, Mertens, Borchsenius, Jaczewski, Tortonese, Bonnet, Kühnelt.

Negative votes—none (0).


Commissioner Miller returned a late affirmative vote. In returning his vote Commissioner Obruchev made the following comment: “Isn’t it a little strange that as a type-species is designated Cyrnus unipunctatus, but on the Official List is placed another species, trimaculatus, ‘the oldest available name for the type-species of Cyrnus’, of which nothing has been said previously? I vote against para. 3.”
The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists by
the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

trimaculatus, Philopotamus, Curtis, 1834, Lond. Edinb. phil. Mag. (3) 4 (21) : 213

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (63)12 were cast as set out above,
that the proposal set out in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the
plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the Inter-
national Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 691.

W. E. CHINA
Acting Secretary

International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature
London
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