

THE DATES AND AUTHORSHIPS TO BE ASCRIBED TO THE
GENERIC AND SPECIFIC NAMES PROPOSED BY BOISDUVAL
AND LECONTE AND BY LECONTE ALONE IN THE
LÉPIDOPTÈRES DE L'AMÉRIQUE SEPTENTRIONALE,
1829-1833-[1834]

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Several years' research and the discovery of a copy of BOISDUVAL and LECONTE'S *Histoire générale et iconographie des lépidoptères et des chenilles de l'Amérique septentrionale*, in original wrappers in the library of Dr. LIONEL G. HIGGINS of Woking, England, have resulted in new evidence concerning the dates of publication of this work. That evidence and the conclusions drawn therefrom will be published in detail in the *Journal of the Society for the Bibliography of Natural History*.

This paper deals only with the dates and authorships of the generic and specific names proposed in the *Histoire générale*. These are arranged alphabetically for convenience.

GENERIC NAMES

Name	Authors	Page	Signature	Date	Type Species
<i>Aganisthos</i>	Bdv. & Lec.	194	23	"1833"	[1834] <i>Papilio orion</i> Fab., 1775
<i>Agraulis</i>	Bdv. & Lec.	142	17		[1833] <i>Papilio vanilla</i> L., 1758
<i>Callidryas</i>	Bdv. & Lec.	73	8	"1829"	[1830] <i>Papilio eubule</i> L., 1767
<i>Rhodocera</i>	Bdv. & Lec.	70	8	"1829"	[1830] <i>Papilio rhamni</i> L., 1758
<i>Xanthidia</i>	Bdv. & Lec.	48	5		1829 <i>Papilio nicippe</i> Cram., "1782" [1780]

It is debatable, perhaps, whether "*Nymphidia*" was used by Boisduval and Leconte as an emendation of *Nymphidium* Fabricius, 1807, or proposed as a new name, but the evidence tends to support the former theory, although no reason for an emendation is apparent. If *Nymphidia* is to be considered a new name by these authors, the date is [1833] and the type is *N. pumila* Boisduval & Leconte, [1833], that being the sole species included in the genus.

SPECIFIC NAMES

Name	Authors	Page	Plate	Signature	Date	
<i>Apatura celtis</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	210	57	25	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Apatura clyton</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	208	56	25	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Argus pseudargiolus</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	118	36	14		[1833]
<i>Colias pelidne</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	66	21	8	"1829"	[1830]
<i>Eudamus cellus</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	73	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Eudamus ? olynthus</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	75	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Eudamus? yuccæ</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	70	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia arogos</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	76	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia arpa</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	68	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia brettus</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	75	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia bulenta</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	67	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia cernes</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	76	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Hesperia zabulon</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	76	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Melitea ismeria</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	168	46	20		[1833]
<i>Nymphidia pumila</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	131	37	15		[1833]
<i>Pieris cleomes</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	43	16	5		1829
<i>Pieris protodice</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	45	17	5		1829
<i>Polyommatus cratægi</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	128	37	15		[1833]
<i>Polyommatus epixanthe</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	127	38	15		[1833]
<i>Thecla arsace</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	103	32	12		[1833]
<i>Thecla hyperici</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	90	28	10	[27 July	1833]
<i>Thecla liparops</i>	Leconte	99	31	11	[27 July	1833]
<i>Thecla m-album</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	86	26	9	[June	1833]
<i>Thecla psyche</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	88	27	9	[June	1833]
<i>Thecla smilacis</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	107	33	12		[1833]
<i>Thanaos brizo</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	—	66	—	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Vanessa j-album</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	185	50	22	"1833"	[1834]
<i>Xanthidia jucunda</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	52	19	6		1829
<i>Xanthidia lisa</i>	Bvd. & Lec.	53	19	6		1829

It does not appear to have been observed previously that one name, *Thecla liparops*, was proposed by LECONTE alone and not by the joint authors of this work.

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