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A RECORD OF ITAME ABRUPTATA (GEOMETRIDAE) FROM NEW YORK

During a preliminary survey of the insects associated with ninebark, *Physocarpus opulifolius* (L.) Maxim (Rosaceae), I reared a small lepidopterous larva, collected in a state park in the Finger Lakes Region of New York, to the adult stage. It proved to be the ennomine geometrid *Itame abruptata* (Walker). This is apparently the first record of this species from New York. The identification was made by John G. Franclemont, Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. This reared specimen is in the personal collection of Dr. Franclemont, and bears these labels: "N.Y.: Taughannock Falls State Park, US 89 at bridge, 8 mi. N. of Ithaca, Tompkins County, E. R. Hoebeke & M. E. Carter/ EX: *Physocarpus opulifolius*/ larva coll. May 16, 1979; pupated by May 27; adult emergence June 7."

Itame abruptata is known to occur from northern Ontario south to western Pennsylvania and west to eastern Minnesota and Missouri (McGuffin 1977, J. Lepid. Soc. 31: 269–274), but appears to be only locally abundant in certain areas of its range. Additional collections of larvae of *I. abruptata* have been made from ninebark in the south-central region of Pennsylvania (Harrisburg and environs) by A. G. Wheeler, Jr. (Pa. Dept. Agric., Harrisburg, Pa.). These reared specimens are in the collections of Cornell University and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. This species is not well represented in North American collections.

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