

"ARGYRESTHIA VISALIELLA CHAMBERS 1875" (ARGYRESTHIIDAE), A NOMEN NUDUM

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While checking the type localities of species names attributed to Vactor T. Chambers for an annotated checklist of Kentucky Lepidoptera, I encountered a name that stands in synonymy of *Argyresthia apicimaculella* Chambers 1874 (Argyresthiidae; type locality: "Kentucky"). The name is "*visaliella* Chambers 1875," as the two names are listed as entry #2438 in Hodges et al. (1983).

This same synonymy appears as #6456 in Dyar ("1903" [1904]) along with a page reference to Chambers' presumed original description; however the publication date is quoted erroneously by Dyar as "1874." In that 1875 paper we find not an original description of *visaliella* but a reference to it in the discussion of "*Argyresthia goedartella* Auct." in which Chambers states, after describing a specimen presumed to be that species, "It is a more handsome species than *A. andereggiella*, next after which as to beauty I would place *A. visaliella* Cham."

In searching for the original description of "*A. visaliella*" I found only one "*visaliella*"—that of Chambers 1873, p. 113, described in *Cyane* Chambers, but listed in Hodges et al. (1983) #307 as *Choropleca vesaliella* [sic] (Cham. 1873). The type locality of this name is Visalia, Kentucky, which is in Kenton County not far south of Chambers' home town of Covington. Chambers wrote "Several specimens captured in June resting on forest trees at Visalia, Kentucky." This constitutes a rare specific type locality published by Chambers.

Thus it appears that "*A. visaliella* Chambers" is a *nomen nudum*. Also the name *Choropleca visaliella* (Cham. 1873) is misspelled in Hodges et al. (1983) and was also misspelled in Forbes (1923).

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ERRATA

STUDIES IN THE GENUS *HYLEPHILA* BILLBERG, I. INTRODUCTION AND THE *IGNORANS* AND *VENUSTA* SPECIES GROUPS (HESPERIIDAE: HESPERIINAE)

In the above paper by C. D. MacNeill and J. Herrera G. (Journal of the Lepidopterists' Society 52(3):277–317) there were two typographical errors in the text:

pp. 283–287. The legends for Figures 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 should read

"... (descaled to show caudal array of tuberculate bristle-sockets at 70× with inset enlarged below), ..."

pp. 316, lines 7 and 8. The reference should read:

- _____. 1940. Hesperioidea XI. Especies nuevos para nuestra fauna y anotaciones sobre otros. Rev. Soc. Entomol. Argent. 10:279–297, figs. 8, 9.