

species, our common *Hydræcia nictitans*, L. (= *americana*, Speyer ; *lusca*, Harris), that I used *Apamea* at one time for this species. The species *leucostigma*, type of *Helotropha*, Led., formed one of Guenée's original species of *Hydræcia*, Guen., Noct. Eur. Index Meth., 1841, as also of Oechsenheimer's *Apamea*. But, in 1852, Guenée referred *leucostigma* back to *Apamea*, leaving *nictitans*, L., as type of *Hydræcia* by process of exhaustion.

Mr. Prout's kind communication does not affect the conclusions I have reached so far as to types of Noctuid genera.

### NOMADA SAYI AND TWO RELATED NEW SPECIES.

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In *Trans. Am. Ent. Soc.*, 20 : 276, 1893, I described *Nomada Sayi* from eight female and fifteen male specimens. At present I have forty-five female and ninety male specimens which I have referred to this species, but which I now propose to describe under the three following names :

*Nomada Sayi*, Rob.—♀. Mandibles simple, antennæ long, joint 4 longer than 3 or 5, as long as 12, or nearly so, pygidium rather broadly truncate ; scutellum sub-bilobed, prominent ; enclosure of metathorax coarsely reticulated at base, finely roughened beyond ; head and thorax closely and coarsely punctured ; abdomen shining, rather sparsely and finely punctured ; ferruginous, the scape, front and middle legs, tubercles and tegulæ, more yellowish ; about antennæ, about ocelli, occiput, band on mesonotum, middle of metathorax sometimes, band from wings to middle and hind coxæ, base of femora behind more or less, sometimes hind metatarsi, base of abdomen, sometimes apical margins of segments more or less, and sutures, generally black or blackish ; segments 2 and 3 of abdomen with a yellow spot on each side ; wings hyaline, marginal cell and apical margins clouded, basal nervure ending before transverse median. Length, 6–8 mm.

♂.—Resembles the female ; joint 4 of antennæ longer than 3 or 5, as long as 13, or nearly so, 5–8 sub-lobate at apex beneath : pygidium bifid ; black, mandibles, labrum, clypeus, sometimes a spot above, inferior orbits as high as antennæ in front and usually at base behind, and scape in front, yellow ; sometimes a ferruginous spot at summit of eye ; flagellum yellowish ferruginous, except towards base above ; collar black or with a yellow or ferruginous interrupted line ; tubercles, tegulæ,