

AGROTIS SUBGOTHICA.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Tutt's note in the July number of the CAN. ENT., p. 159, I would state that I have no knowledge of Haworth's work in which *subgothica* is described. I have everywhere taken Stephens's identifications of Haworth's species. Now Stephens figures *jaculifera* of Guenée, as figured in the Species Général, typical *jaculifera*, as *subgothica*, of Haworth (?). If, then, Stephens is wrong, and Haworth's *subgothica* is a variety of *tritici* and not our American species, this latter must be known as *jaculifera*, and Prof. Lintner's name of *tricolor* must then clearly be retained for that species, as insisted upon by myself. Stephens's figure is unmistakably based on our American species; how nearly the European *tritici* resembles this I cannot, at the moment, say. The following will be the synonymy of *Agrotis jaculifera*. According to Mr. Tutt's statement that *subgothica* of Haworth is a variety of *tritici* of Linné, our American species must be listed as follows:—

jaculifera, Guen., fig.

subgothica, Steph., fig. in err.

tricolor, Lintner.

jaculifera, Guen. var. A.

jaculifera, Smith, in err.

herilis, Grote.

jaculifera, Guen. var. B.

herilis, Smith.

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SOME CORRECTIONS.

Sir,—In my paper, CAN. ENT., page 152, I say I have placed *Agrotis costata* and its near ally *A. idahoensis* "together wrongly," line 10. It is clear from the context that I meant in a wrong position in my lists. The two species are closely allied, differing in colour, *costata* being reddish, *idahoensis* purplish, and, in *costata*, the pallid costal region is whiter and broader. The two belong together. I have always associated them, and, indeed, described the one comparatively with the other. The types are in British Museum. On page 148, line 6 from bottom, for grouping, read association. On page 151, for "The Practical Entomologist," read the practical entomologists. I was writing, not of a publication, but of a class of working entomologists, whose figures (mostly duplications of the same cut) confounded the three forms: *subgothica*, Stephens (= *jaculifera*, Guen.), *tricolor*, Lintner (= *jaculifera*, Smith), and *herilis*, Grote (= *herilis*, Smith).

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