

NOTE ON THE GENERA GORTYNA AND OCHRIA.

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I have lately had an opportunity of examining bred specimens of the European *Ochria ochracea* (*flavago*). The clypeal tubercle may be felt with a fine pin or seen under the glass when the frontal scales are partly removed. We have two North American species agreeing with *Ochria*, viz., *Sanzalita*, from California, and *Buffaloensis*, from the east. With the former, the European species has a nearer resemblance externally; our eastern species differing much in colour. The type of *Gortyna* Hüb., is *Micacea*, and the type of *Hydræcia* Guen., as indicated by an asterisk in the Species Général, is this same species. Consequently *Hydræcia* falls. The genus *Ochria* is used by Hübner for the sole species *flavago*, consequently this must obtain for the genus, which differs from *Hydræcia* of European authors mainly in the presence of the clypeal tubercle. While *flavago* resembles in colour several North American species of *Gortyna*, I may have overestimated its resemblance to our eastern *cataphracta*, although a resemblance certainly exists. The type of *Apamea* is now difficult to ascertain, but if, as I assume, it is really *nictitans*, it may give way to the earlier *Gortyna*, as the species do not seem to be generically separable. In CAN. ENT., XIV., 17, I gave a list of the North American species, which may be amended as follows:—

Gen. GORTYNA Hübner.

(= *Hydræcia* Guen.)

<i>purpuripennis</i> Gr.	<i>cataphracta</i> Gr.
<i>juvenilis</i> Gr.	<i>purpurifascia</i> G. & R.
<i>erepta</i> Gr.	<i>rutila</i> Guen.
<i>immanis</i> Guen.	<i>Harrisii</i> Gr.
<i>obliqua</i> Harv.	<i>speciosissima</i> G. & R.
<i>stramentosa</i> Guen.	<i>cerrussata</i> Gr.
<i>nictitans</i> Esp.	<i>marginidens</i> Guen.
var. <i>erythrostigma</i> Haw.	<i>limpida</i> Guen.
var. <i>lucens</i> Tr.	<i>appassionata</i> Harvey.
<i>inquæsita</i> G. & R.	<i>necopina</i> Gr.
<i>cerina</i> Gr.	<i>nitela</i> Guen.
<i>rigida</i> Gr.	var. <i>nebris</i> Guen.
<i>impecuniosa</i> Gr.	<i>serrata</i> Gr.