

RORIPPA: A CORRECTION.—In RHODORA, xlii. 271 (1940) I took up for one of the common North American and Asiatic varieties of *Rorippa islandica* (Oeder) Borbas the name var. *microcarpa* (Regel) Fernald, based upon *Nasturtium palustre* DC., var. *microcarpum* Regel (1861). At that time I noted that there already existed a form of true *R. islandica*: *R. islandica*, forma *microcarpa*, erroneously ascribed to G. Beck by Thellung (1919) and based upon *R. palustris*  $\beta$ . *microcarpa* G. Beck (1892). I failed to note that by the International Rules my combination is invalid for, although Beck's varietal combination was later than Regel's, the transfer of it to formal rank under *R. islandica* by Thellung precludes the use of the same trivial for any other form or variety of the species. I am indebted to Dr. Stanley Jay Smith for directing my attention to this error. *R. islandica*, var. *microcarpa* (Regel) Fernald now, unfortunately, has to be called var. *Fernaldiana* Butters & Abbe in RHODORA, l. c. 28 (1940). The long, prostrate and repent plant, *R. islandica*, var. *microcarpa*, forma *reptabunda* Fernald in Rhodora, 1.35 (1948) stands as a form under var. *Fernaldiana*, since forms of a species retain their original epithets without regard to the varietal name with which they were first associated.—M. L. FERNALD.

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RHODORA INDEX; REQUEST FOR CORRECTIONS.—A cumulative index to the first fifty volumes of Rhodora is being prepared. Any user of RHODORA who has noted errors in the indices to the various volumes will greatly aid in the enterprise by sending the corrections to the EDITORS.

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