

*gigantissima* (Finch). The specimen has been adequately illustrated (Howe, 1937, Pl. 44, fig. 5: left valve interior, Fig. 6: view upon right valve exterior of articulated pair), and is still and immediately recognizable from these figures. The two valves presently reside at the Museum of Geoscience, Louisiana State University, in Room 443, old geology building, of the Howe-Russell Geoscience Complex, in the third drawer of the numerically arranged fossil invertebrate cataloged collection in the right rear of the collection room (Earl Manning, personal commun.). Hopefully, this specimen will have a longer and safer history as name-bearer than did its predecessors.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

Recent Opinions published on 28 September 1990 in the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature* (Vol. 47, Pt. 3) included the following:

- Opinion 1608.—*Marssonopora* Lang, 1914 (Bryozoa, Cheilostomata): *Membranipora densispina* Levinsen, 1925, designated as the type species.
- Opinion 1609.—*Drepanites* Mojsisovics, 1893, and *Hyphoplites* Spath, 1922 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea): conserved.
- Opinion 1610.—*Valanginites* Sayn in Kilian, 1910 (Mollusca, Ammonoidea): authorship of the genus confirmed, and *Ammonites nucleus* Roemer, 1841, confirmed as the type species.
- Opinion 1620.—*Monograptus exiguus* (Graptolithina): accepted usage conserved by citation of Lapworth (1876) as author.

Recent Applications published on 28 September 1990 in the *Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature* (Vol. 47, Pt. 3) included the following:

- Case 2723.—*Phororhacos* Ameghino, 1889 (Aves, Gruiformes): proposed conservation.

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