

## A NEW NAME FOR *SILURUS SINENSIS* HORA.

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In a recent article on a new catfish from Kwangsi, China, it was shown by me<sup>1</sup> that Tchang's<sup>2</sup> *Silurus wynaadensis* from Lunchow differs in several important features from Day's<sup>3</sup> *S. wynaadensis* from the Wynaad Hill, and, in consequence, the new name *S. sinensis*, was proposed for the Chinese form. Mr. Gilbert P. Whitley, in the course of a communication, very kindly directed my attention to the fact that *S. sinensis* is preoccupied by *S. sinensis* Lacépède<sup>4</sup>. Though Lacépède's species does not belong to the genus *Silurus*, the name has been used by several of the earlier ichthyologists<sup>5</sup> to denote different types of Silurid fishes. It is unfortunate that I overlooked this name when christening the new species of *Silurus* from China. I now propose the new name ***Silurus gilberti*** for my *S. sinensis* from Lunchow, China, thus associating it with the name of Mr. Gilbert P. Whitley, through whose kind attention I am able to rectify my error.

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<sup>1</sup> Hora, S. L., *Rec. Ind. Mus.* XXXIX, pp. 341-343, fig. 8 (1937).

<sup>2</sup> Tchang, T. L., *Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol.* VII, p. 35 (1936).

<sup>3</sup> Day, F., *Fish. India*, p. 480, pl. cxi, fig. 6 (1877).

<sup>4</sup> Lacépède, B. G. E., *Hist. Nat. Poiss.* V, pp. 58, 82, pl. ii, fig. 1 (1803).

<sup>5</sup> McClelland, J., *Cal. Journ. Nat. Hist.* IV, p. 402 (1844); Richardson, J., *Ichth. China*, p. 281 (1845); Günther, A., *Cat. Fish. Brit. Mus.* V, p. 35 foot-note (1864); Bleeker, P., *Med. Tijdschr. Dierk.* IV, p. 125 (1873).