(226) Proposal to add a new Example to Article 41

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As per Section 3, Art. 41 of the Melbourne Code (McNeill & al. in Regnum. Veg. 154. 2012), it is necessary to provide a reference to the basionym or replaced synonym for effective and valid publication of a new combination, name at new rank, or replacement name. In Art. 41.3: “Before 1 January 1953 an indirect reference to a basionym or replaced synonym is sufficient for valid publication of a new combination, name at new rank, or replacement name. Thus, errors in the citation of the basionym or replaced synonym, or in author citation, do not affect valid publication of such names.” Here we are proposing to add an Example to Art. 41.3 which demonstrates that an indirect reference to a basionym or replaced synonym is sufficient for valid publication of a new combination, name at new rank, or replacement name. The cited protologue can be viewed at http://www.biodiversitylibrary.org/item/97891#page/552/mode/lup.

(226) Add a new Example after Article 41.3:

“Ex. n. The name Dioscorea belophylla was validly published by Haines (Forest Fl. Chota Nagpur: 530. 1910) and ascribed to “Voight”. Previously Prain (Bengal Pl. 2: 1065, 1067. 1903) had validly published D. nummularia var. belophylla “Voigt (sp.)”, an apparent reference to “Dioscorea belophylla Voigt” (a nomen nudum in Hort. Suburb. Calcutt.: 653. 1845). The mention by Haines of “Voight” is regarded as an indirect reference through Voigt to Prain’s varietal name, and thus Dioscorea belophylla (Prain) Voigt ex Haines is treated as a new combination.”

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