

*P. politus* substituted. Kelton (1968) found that the specimens of *brunneus* in the Provancher collection were *Plagiognathus obscurus* Uhler. He considered that Provancher's original description closely fit *P. obscurus* and pointed out that the statement by Provancher that *brunneus* is common on plants is more characteristic of *Plagiognathus* species than of *Fulvius* species, which are usually collected on fungus-covered trees and logs. He therefore synonymized Provancher's species under *P. obscurus* and designated a male as lectotype. The U.S. National Museum collection has an additional Provancher specimen labeled as *brunneus* (catalogue no. 33) which also is *P. obscurus*. I am following Kelton's opinion because of the vagueness of Provancher's original description and because of his lectotype designation. This action by Kelton leaves *F. brunneus* of authors, not Provancher, without a name.

The next available name for *F. brunneus* of authors is *anthocoroides* Uhler 1877, described in the genus *Pamerocoris* and based on specimens from Ontario (Grimsby), Colorado (Denver), Maryland (Baltimore), and eastern Massachusetts. Provancher himself (1887) synonymized Uhler's name under his own *P. brunneus*, apparently basing his decision on the similarity of the scutellum and cuneus in the two descriptions and possibly also because Uhler had a Canadian specimen in his type-series. However, Provancher erred in establishing that synonymy; Uhler's species belongs to the genus *Fulvius* rather than to *Plagiognathus*. His name *anthocoroides* is available but is a junior secondary homonym of *Fulvius anthocoroides* (Reuter, 1875).

The new name *F. slateri* is being proposed for *F. brunneus* of authors and for Uhler's preoccupied name, *anthocoroides*. As lectotype of Uhler's *P. anthocoroides*, I am designating a specimen found in the U.S. National Museum's Type Collection, labeled in Uhler's handwriting, and without much doubt the specimen from Grimsby listed in his original description. The specimen, a female, has been assigned USNM Type No. 75318 and is labeled: Grimsby (handwritten); 2,507 (pink); 3. PR Uhler Collection; 4. *Pamerocoris* (underlined) *anthocoroides* Uhler—Canada (handwritten); 5. *Pamerocoris* (underlined) *anthocoroides* Uhler—Canada (black bordered).

*Fulvius slateri* is named in honor of the well-known hemipterist and lygaeid specialist at the University of Connecticut, Dr. James A. Slater, who first recognized the need of a replacement name for *F. brunneus* of authors.

*Fulvius anthocoroides* (Reuter)

*Teratodella anthocoroides* Reuter, 1875:8.

*Fulvius brevicornis* Reuter, 1895a:138 (unnecessary new name).