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In 1915 Morice and Durrant [Trans. Ent. Soc. Lond., 1914, 839-496 (1915)] reprinted with notes a paper by Jurine [Erl. Litt., 158-165 (1801)], over the validity of which there is a considerable difference of opinion. If one accepts this paper it is necessary (among other changes in nomenclature which are brought about) to find a new name for Lasius, F. (1804), a genus of ants which sinks as a synonym of Lasius, Jur. (1801), a genus of bees. This was done by Morice and Durrant, who proposed the name of Donisthorpea. At that time they considered Acanthomyops, Mayr (1862), to be a good genus, and not a sub-genus of Lasius, F., as it is usually regarded; and they were not aware of Ruzsky’s sub-genera Dendrolasius and Chthonolasius (1912).
ACANTHOMYOPS, Mayr.

= § LASIUS (nec Jurine) F. (1804); = * FORMICINA (Shuck., p., 1840), Forel and Emery (1916) — nec Wheeler (1911); = Acanthomyops Mayr. (1832); = Dendrolasius Ruzsky (1912); = Cthonolasius, Ruzsky (1912); = Donisthorpea Mor. and Drnt. (1915); = * CTHONOLASIUS (nec Ruzsky), Forel (1916).

Type 1: Formica clavigera, Roger (claviger, Mayr; Mayr 1862; Wheeler, 1911).


Type 2: Formica tuliginosa, Ltr. (Ruzsky, 1912).


Type 3: Formica flavia, L. (Ruzsky, 1912).


[nec * CTHONOLASIUS, (Ruzsky) Forel, Rev. Suisse Zool., 24, 460 (1916)—Type: nigra, L. (DONISTHORPEA, Mor. and Drnt.)].

Type 4: Formica nigra, L. (Mor. and Drnt., 1915).
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