THE NAME AMPULLARIA COUCH HAS BEEN
REPLACED BY AMPULLARIELLA

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Soon after my paper appeared in the May, 1963 number of the Journal of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society on "Some new genera and species of the Actinoplanaceae" Dr. R.E. Buchanan called my attention to the fact that the generic name Ampullaria Couch is a later homonym of Ampullaria A. L. Smith, Journal of Botany 41:258, 1903. Miss Smith's Ampullaria is one of the Fungi Imperfecti and since bacteriological and botanical nomenclature are interdependent in the sense that the name of a bacteriological taxon is to be rejected if it is a later homonym of any plant (or fungal) taxon, the name Ampullaria Couch is illegitimate. A brief note proposing that the name Ampullaria Couch be replaced by Ampullariella has been submitted for publication in the May, 1964 number of the Journal of the Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society.