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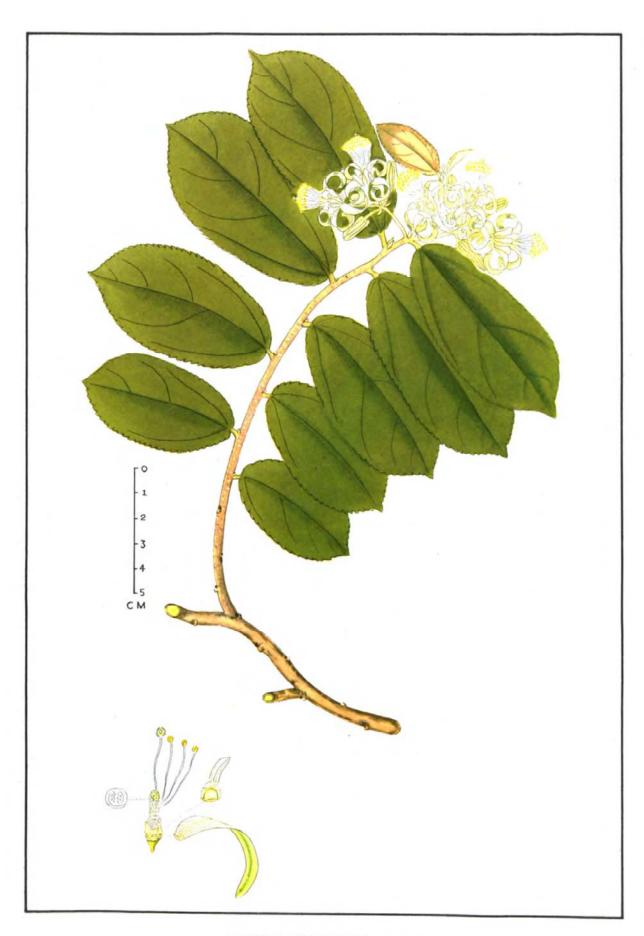
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1. GREWIA UMBELLATA Roxb.

Shrubby, scandent. Leaves cuneate-oblong, serrate. Umbellets terminal. Petals linear, entire. Receptacle cylindric, with pentagonal base.

A native of Sumatra. It flowers in the Botanic Garden at Calcutta in April and May.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 591, 1832)



GREWIA UMBELLATA Roxb.

2. IMPATIENS TRIPETALA Roxb.

Leaves alternate, opposite and tern, broad-lanceolar, serrate. Peduncles from one to many-flowered. Corol three petalled; horn of the ample nectary hooked.

A native of the mountains near Silhet, where it flowers and ripens its seed more or less the whole year round. *Rheede's Tilo-Onapu* is, I think, more like this than it is to *I. balsamina*, though quoted for that species; and I can scarcely conceive this to be that plant in its original wild state.

Root annual, fibrous. Stem crect, swelled at the leaves, scarcely pubescent in any respect. Branches opposite, several pairs, and generally below the middle of the plant; whole height from one to two feet. Leaves on the stem opposite, and tern; on the branches often alternate, long-petioled, broad-lanceolar, serrate, a little hairy, particularly the serratures; about three inches long, by one broad. Flowers axillary, from one to many, in the latter case their long pedicels are inserted on a very short, common peduncle. Perianth of two, small, bract-like leaflets. Corol three-petalled; the upper one forming a roof over the interior part of the whole flower; lateral pairs composed of two, large, roundish lobes each; the lower lobes thereof forming the lip. Nectary large, with a hooked or incurved slender horn from its obtuse end. Stamina, &c. as in the genus.

It has a pretty appearance when in full blossom, the flowers being numerous, large, and of a lively red colour, with the nectary deeply tinged yellow.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 651, 1832)



IMPATIENS TRIPETALA Roxb.

3. ZANTHOXYLUM ALATUM Roxb.

Shrubby, ramifications straight. Thoms stipulary; leaslets from two to five pair, opposite, lanceolate, serrulate, common petioles winged. Panicles axillary, male flowers with from six to eight stamina.

Hind. Durmur.

Zanthoxylum. Asiat. Res. vi. 376.

A native of Nepal, and other mountainous countries north of Bengal, Rohilcund and Oude. In the Botanic Garden they blossom during the hot and rainy seasons.

Trunk short. Branches several, straight, expanding, covered with dark-brown bark, spotted with small, scabrous, white dots; our plants now ten years old, are from ten to twelve feet high. *Prickles* stipulary, straight, dark-coloured and sharp. Leaves alternate, unequally pinnate, from two to four inches long. Leaflets from three to thirteen, five or seven most common, opposite, sessile, lanceolate, in young plants crenulate, pretty smooth on both sides, with a few pellucid points containing a fragrant juice. Petioles winged. Stipules none. MALE. Racemes axillary, often compound, shorter than the leaves. Flowers minute, pale yellow. Calyx small, one-leaved, with from six to eight acute divisions. Corol none. Filaments six, seven, eight, much longer than the calyx. Anthers twin. Pistillum or hemispheric gland, with two or three elevations in the centre, like so many stigmas. Female. Racemes as in the male. Flowers very minute, greenish yellow. Calyx as in the male. Corol none. Stamens none. Germs superior, as far as five, three or four are most common, one-celled, containing two ovula, attached to the top of the inner angle of the cell. Styles single, shorter than the germs, recurved. Stigmas single. Capsules, in general one, two, or three come to maturity, roundish, reniform or ovate, of the size of a small pea when recent, when dry wrinkled, and much smaller, short-pedicelled, one-celled, two-valved, opening round the apex. Seeds solitary, conform to the capsule, attached to the middle of the margins of the capsule, on one side. Integuments two; the exterior one of a shining black, thick, porous and brittle; the inner one thinner and brown. Perisperm conform to the seed, fleshy. Embryo inverse, nearly as large as the perisperm. Cotyledons round-cordate, three-nerved. Radicle superior, oblong.

Every part of the plant possesses a peculiar aromatic pungency, which I cannot well compare to any smell, or taste I am acquainted with. The seeds are used medicinally by the natives of the countries where the plants grow.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 768, 1832)



ZANTHOXYLUM ALATUM Roxb.

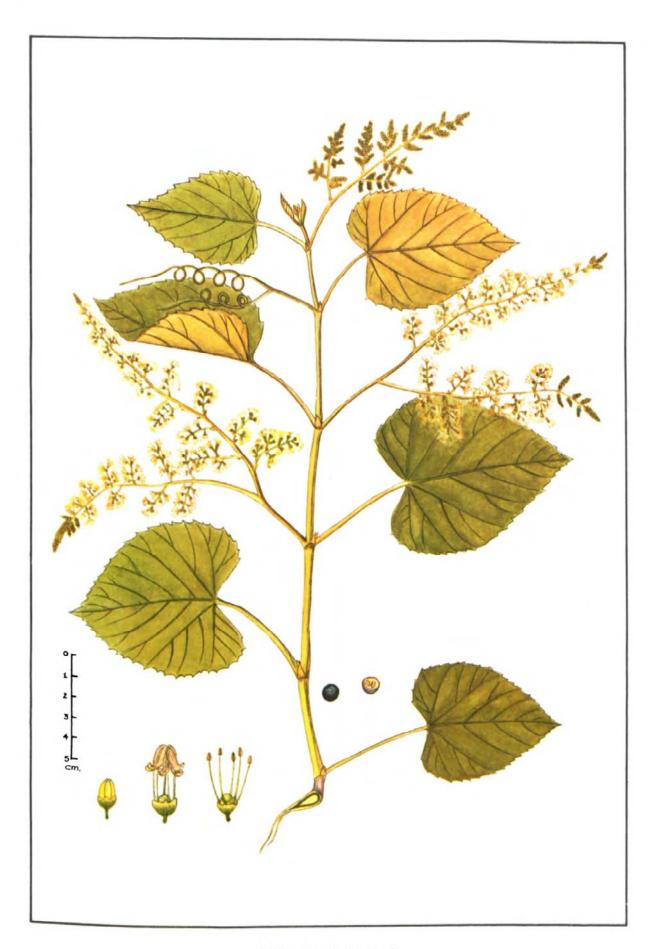
4. VITIS LANATA Roxb.

Shrubby, climbing. Leaves cordate, serrate, woolly underneath. Racemes panicled, leaf-opposed. Petals cohering at top.

A native of the forests amongst the Circar mountains. Flowering time the cold season.

Trunk woody, climbing over trees, &c.; young shoots very long covered with a little rusty wool. Tendrils opposite, simple or split. Leaves alternate, petioled, cordate, serrate; above a little woolly, below much so; four inches long, by three broad. Petioles round, woolly, two inches long. Peduncles opposite, composed of compound racemes, a little woolly. Flowers very numerous, small, green, fascicled. Petals cohering at the top; when they drop they seem to be a monopetalous corol, and what was at the top must then be considered as the bottom. Berries round, purple, succulent, size of a pea, one- or two-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 660, 1832)



VITIS LANATA Roxb.

5. VITIS LATIFOLIA Roxb.

Herbaceous, climbing. Leaves cordate-lobate, crenate-serrate, smooth. Tendrils panicle-bearing. Petals oblong. Germs embraced by a nectarial cup.

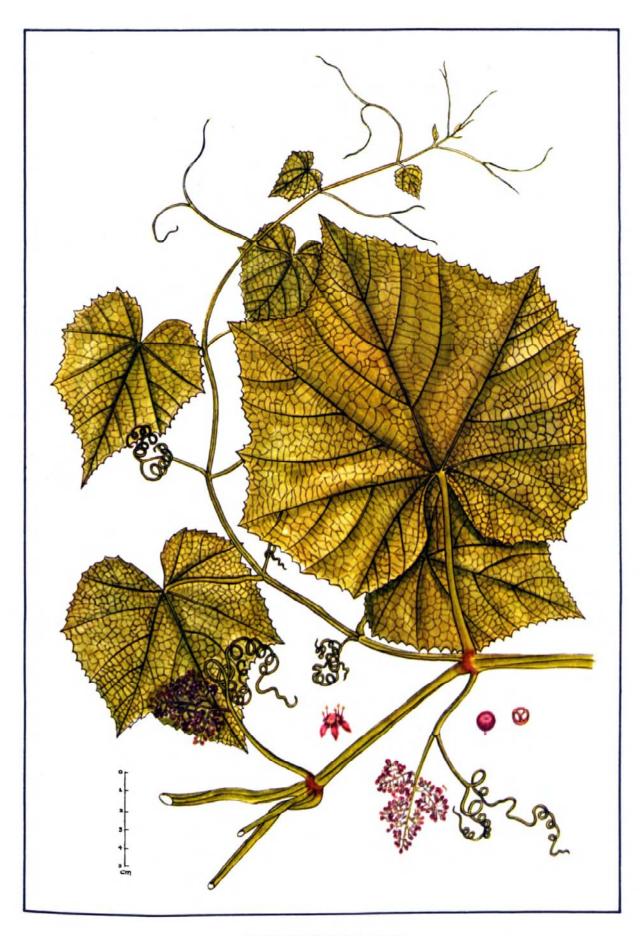
Vallia-Pira-Pitica, Rheed. Mal. vii. 13. t. 7.

Beng. Govila.

A native of Bengal and of the warmer maritime parts of India, blossoming about the beginning of the rainy season; and ripening its fruit in July.

Root tuberous. Stem and branches herbaceous, climbing, round and smooth, very long and slender, running over trees, &c. to a great extent. Tendrils leaf-opposed, generally two-parted panicle-bearing. Leaves petioled, alternate, always opposite to a tendril, nearly of a round, cordate-lobate shape, with three, five or seven rather acute lobes; margins serrate-dentate, pretty smooth on both sides, length and breadth from three to nine inches. Panicles issuing solitarily from the middle of the tendrils before they divide; peduncles ovate, dense. Flowers very numerous, small, of a deep reddish brown. Bracts linear. Calyx small, obscurely five-toothed. Petals oblong, at first expanding, then reflexed. Germ superior, nearly round, two-celled, with two ovula in each, attached to the bottom of the cell. Style none. Stigma a pit in the lobate apex of the germ. Berry the size, shape and appearance of a black currant, rarely more than two-seeded. Perisperm conform to the seed. Embryo erect, in the lower half of the perisperm. Cotyledons nearly round. Radicle inferior.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 661, 1832)



VITIS LATIFOLIA Roxb.

6. VITIS PARVIFOLIA Roxb.

Leaves angle-cordate, three-lobed, crenate-serrate, smooth. Stipules oval. Thyrses leaf-opposed, few-flowered.

A slender, perennial vine of exactly the habit of the common grape vine; a native of the eastern part of Bengal. Flowers in February.

Stems and old branches ligneous, considerably flattened, ten or twelve feet high. Bark dark-brown, with the exterior lamina thin and frequently peeling off; young shoots somewhat angular, and pretty smooth. Leaves simple, cordate, sometimes three-lobed, crenate-serrate, apex somewhat attenuate, smooth on both sides, about two inches long. Tendrils bifid. Stipules oval, caducous. Thyrses opposite to the leaves, diverging, very small, and only a little longer than the petioles. Flowers very minute, green. Calyx obscurely five-lobed. Petioles five, cohering, and falling off in one body. Nectary five-rounded scales, embracing the base of the germ, alternate with the filaments. Filaments five, length of the germ, at first erect, but by age becoming recurved. Anthers ovate. Germ round, four-celled, with one ovulum in each, attached to the base of the axis. Style scarcely any. Stigma obscurely lobed.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 662, 1832)



VITIS PARVIFOLIA Roxb.

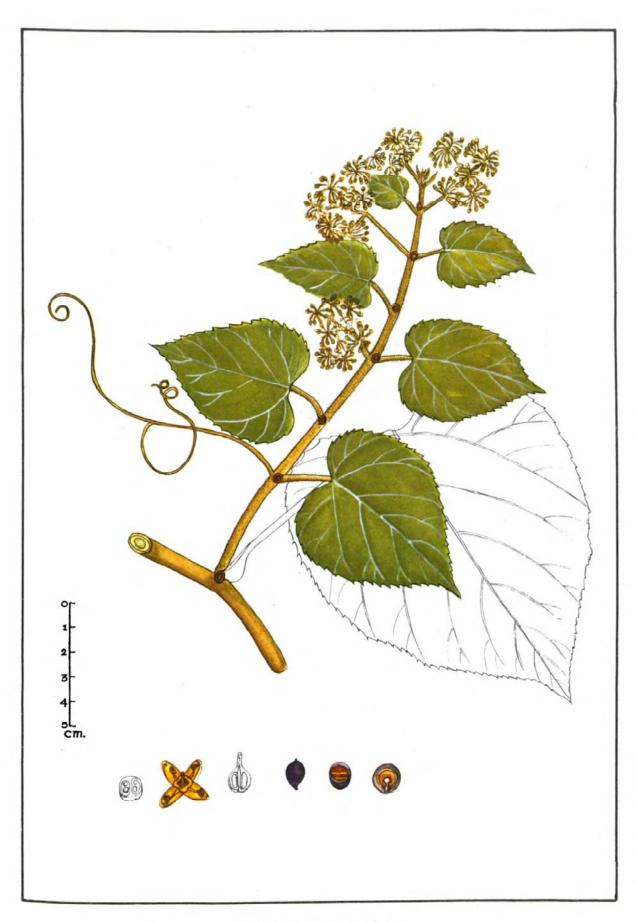
7. CISSUS ADNATA Roxb.

Leaves round-cordate, bristle-serrate, acuminate. Stipules orbicular, adnate, with gibbous centre and scariose margins. Cymes flat, flowers drooping.

A native of the country about Dacca, from thence the late Colonel Peter Murray sent it to the Botanic Garden, where it thrives well, blossoms in May and June, and ripens its fruit in September.

Stem and large branches ligneous, climbing over trees to a considerable extent, young shoots round, a little downy and slightly furrowed. Leaves alternate, round-cordate, and often obliquely so, acuminate, bristle-serrate, the largest sometimes slightly repand; pretty smooth above, but downy underneath, particularly the veins, from two to six inches long, one-fourth less in breadth. Peduncles half the length of the leaves, downy. Stipules nearly oval, adnate, elevated, and of a deeper green in the middle; margins scariose and brown. Tendrils opposite to the leaves where there is no cyme. Cymes opposite to the leaves, on villous peduncles, as long as the petioles, very ramous, flat. Flowers numerous, small, drooping. The germ has two cells, in each of which are two seeds attached from their lower end to the partition at the bottom of the cell. Berry succulent, size of a pea, when ripe black and smooth, generally one-celled. Seed for the most part solitary, obovate, lower end pointed. Integuments two, exterior nuciform, and rugose; inner a very thin, white membrane, which adheres firmly to the perisperm. Perisperm conform to the seed, dull white, cartilaginous, divided by two fissures into three, nearly equal parts. Embryo scarcely half the length of the perisperm. Cotyledons reniform. Radicle oblong, inferior.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 405, 1832)



CISSUS ADNATA Roxb.

8. CISSUS ANGUSTIFOLIA Roxb.

Dioicous. Leaves ternate; leaslets lanccolate, serrate, smooth. Stipules ovate, acute. Cymes shorter than the petioles. Berries spherical, one or two-seeded.

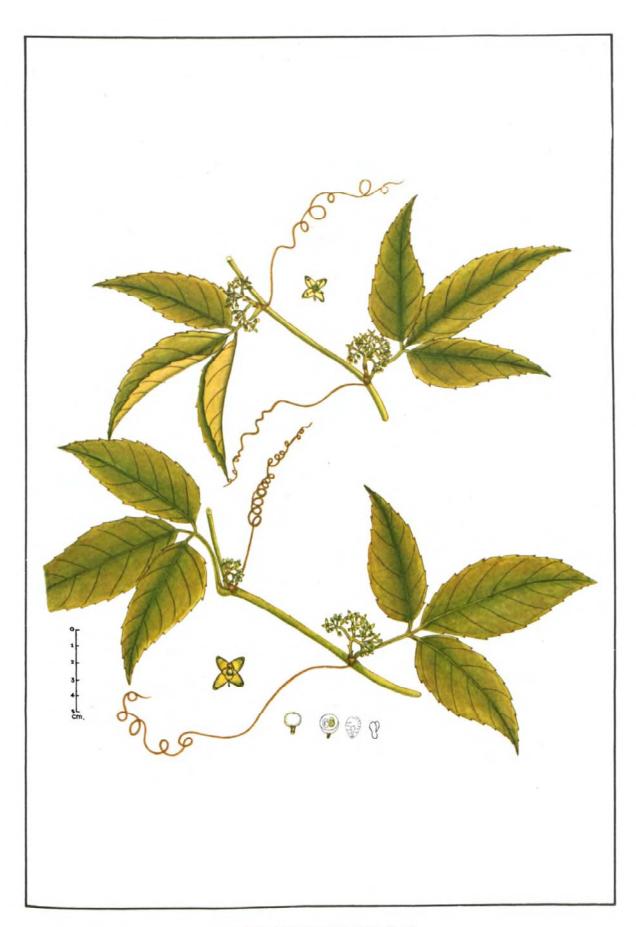
A delicate, scandent, perennial species, a native of Sumatra. Flowers in February; seeds ripen in November.

Stem scandent, slender, flat like a piece of tape. Tendrils simple. Leaves ternate. Leaflets petiolate, lanceolate, remotely serrate, acuminate, smooth on both sides, from three to six inches long, and from one to one and a half broad. Petioles shorter than the leaflets, channelled, smooth. Stipules triangularly ovate, acute, smooth. Cymes axillary, solitary, nearly round, small and shorter than the petioles. Flowers small, greenish yellow, male on one plant and female on another.

MALE. Calyx, corol and stamina as in the genus. Pistil no other than a small abortive roundish body on the centre of a four-lobed gland.

FEMALE. Calyx and corol as in the male. Germ round, two-celled, with two seeds in each. Style none. Stigma large, obscurely four-lobed, and somewhat lacerated. Berries spherical, smooth, size of a pea, white, one or two-seeded, when cut or bruised very fetid. Perisperm conform to the seed. Embryo lodged in the lower half of the perisperm. Cotyledons nearly round. Radicle cylindric, inferior.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 408, 1832)



CISSUS ANGUSTIFOLIA Roxb.

9. CISSUS ELONGATA Roxb.

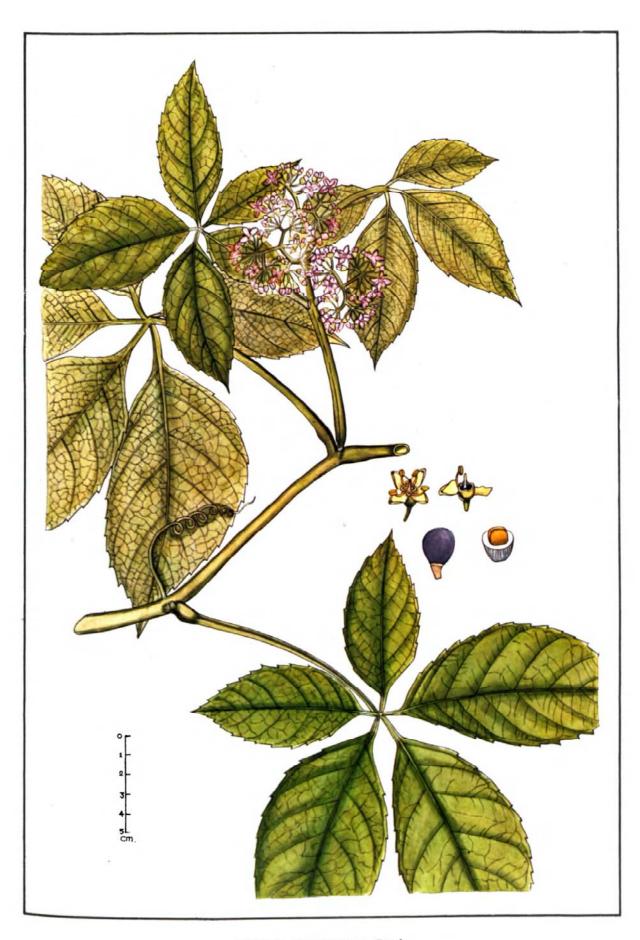
Tender shoots succulent, polished. Leaves digitate; leaflets petiolate, oblong, acute, remotely serrate, smooth.

Beng. Dhemna, which is also the name of a long serpent.

Found amongst the mountains of the coast of Coromandel, as well as in the forests of Bengal. Flowering time the hot season.

Stem very long, running up and over the highest trees, a little compressed, and until many years old smooth, polished, succulent, deep green. Branches few or none, until the plant arrives at a great height, and is several years of age. Leaves alternate, petioled, digitate. Leaflets five, petioled, oblong, the lower pair obliquely so, serrate, smooth on both sides, from two to six inches long, and from one to three broad. Petioles round, smooth, from four to five inches long. Petiolets channelled. Stipule cordate, small, sub-adjoined. Tendrils leaf-opposed, simple. Cymes trichotomous and dichotomous; the last divisions short, and ending in small umbellets. Bracts cordate, permanent. Calyx four-toothed. Corol, petals four, inserted in a belt which surrounds the body of the germ. Nectary a four-lobed, coloured elevation between the stamina and the insertion of the style. Filaments four, inserted opposite to and just within the petals. Anthers incumbent. Germ oval. Style short. Stigma simple. Berry the size of a cherry, round-turbinate, smooth, when ripe black. Seed single, large, somewhat rugose.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 411, 1832)



CISSUS ELONGATA Roxb.

10. CISSUS GLAUCA Roxb.

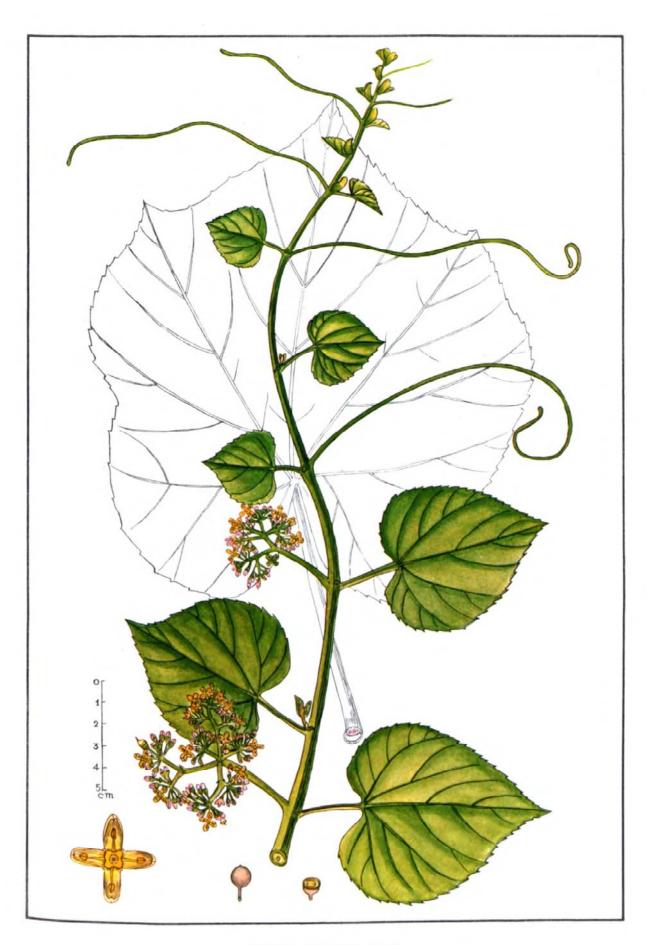
Leaves cordate, bristle-serrate, smooth. Stipules broad-sulcate. Cymes decompound. Berries one-seeded.

Schunambu Valli. Rheed. Mal. vii. p. 21. t. 11.

This species is still larger than the last, and a native of the same or similar places; the shoots, the tendrils, petioles and peduncles are all quite smooth and somewhat glaucous, which does not admit of my considering it to be either repanda or latifolia.

Tendrils leaf-opposed, undivided. Leaves alternate, petioled, broad-cordate, more or less acuminate, sometimes when large slightly lobed, bristle-serrate, smooth, from four to eight inches each way. Stipules broad-fulcate, apex rounded, caducous. Cymes with from three to five primary branches; ultimate divisions umbelliferous. Berry nearly round, size of a pea, smooth, succulent, purple, rarely more than one-seeded. Seed obovate. Integument a double membrane, with a spongy silver-coloured substance between. Perisperm and embryo as in the genus.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 406, 1832)



CISSUS GLAUCA Roxb.

11. CISSUS LANCEOLARIA Roxb.

Dioicous. Leaves pedate-quinate; leaflets lanceolar, smooth, remotely serrulate. Stipules conically lanceolate. Cymes the length of the petioles.

Vallia-Tsjori-Valli. Rheed. Mal. vii. p. 15. t. 8.

A native of the mountains along the eastern frontier of Bengal. In the Botanic Garden it blossoms in February and March.

Trunk scandent, stout, ligneous, in six years old plants as thick as a man's wrist, flattened and grooved on the two flat sides. Bark dark-brown, rough or deeply cracked. Branches and branchlets climbing or pendulous when not supported; young parts round, green and generally smooth; extent of the whole plant several fathoms. Tendrils leaf-opposed, generally undivided. Leaves alternate, petioled, pedate. Leaflets generally five, lanceolar, recurvate, most remotely and sharply serrulate, long, taper, acute-pointed, both sides polished, texture rather fleshy, length from three to six inches, and from one to two broad. Petioles and petiolets clothed with short, reddish hairs. Stipules large, of a narrow conic shape. Comes sub-axillary, or close by the side of the base of the petioles, shorter than the petioles, or when most luxuriant much shorter than the leaves, the ultimate divisions each supporting a small globular umbellet, of small pale yellow flowers. Bracts round the base of the peduncles, cordate.

MALE. Calyx scarcely any. Corol and stamina as in the genus. Pistil none, an umbilicate, yellow, round, convex gland occupying its place.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 412, 1832)



CISSUS LANCEOLARIA Roxb.

12. CISSUS SETOSA Roxb.

Herbaceous, scandent, bristly. Leaves sessile, ternate; leaflets grossly bristle-serrate. Berries one-seeded.

Teling. Barubutsali.

A native of forests and hedges in the Rajamundree Circar. Flowering time the rainy season.

Root fusiform, perennial. Stems herbaceous, succulent, round, striated, and covered with distinct, glandular, round-headed, white bristles, as is every part of the plant, even to the fruit. Tendrils leaf-opposed, generally two cleft. Leaves alternate, sessile, ternate, rarely quinate. Leaflets, lateral two (or four, when there are five) are sessile, the middle one is short-petioled; all are oval, waved, fleshy, irregularly and grossly bristle-serrate, both sides armed with the forementioned bristles, size various, from one to five inches long. Stipules cordate. Cymes as in the former species. Petals revolute.

 $\it Obs.$ Every part of the plant is exceeding acrid. I unfortunately tasted both the roots and berries.

The leaves toasted and oiled, are applied to indolent tumours to bring them to suppuration.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 410, 1832)



CISSUS SETOSA Roxb.

13. HARPULLIA CUPANIOIDES Roxb.

(Harpullia cupanoides Roxb,)

Harpulli the vernacular name at Chittagong.

 Λ small tree; a native of the hilly parts near Chittagong, it flowers in April; and the fruit ripens in July.

Trunk straight. Branches few, and tending to be erect also; bark ash-coloured; young shoots smooth. Leaves alternate, abruptly pinnate, from twelve to eighteen inches long. Leaflets from four to six pairs, short-petiolate, from alternate to opposite, from ovate below to lanceolar above; all are entire, and smooth on both sides; apex considerably pointed; from three to six inches long, by one or two broad. Petioles round and smooth. Panicles axillary, solitary, erect, thin of branches and shorter than the leaves. Flowers small, pale yellow. Bracts subulate. Calyx inferior, five-leaved, permanent; leaflets oval. Petals five, lanceolate, obtuse, spreading, becoming recurved. Filaments five, alternate with the petals and much shorter. Anthers oblong. Germ ovate, hairy, somewhat twolobed, two-celled, with one pendulous ovulum in each attached to the upper end of the partition. Style short. Stigma two-lobed; lobes reflex, adnate. Capsules pendulous, orbicular, two-lobed, considerably compressed, villous, two-celled, two-valved, opening all round. Partition opposed to the valves. The whole very exactly resembling the capsule of Geloneum cupanioides Gaert. Carp. ii 271. t. 139. Seed solitary, semi-oval; the inner side being straight, the exterior rounded, arilled. Integument single, rather thin, smooth, chesnut colour. Aril deep orange, covering the whole seed from the base except the apex. Perisperm none. Embryo green. Cotyledons two, conform to the seed, incumbent, their line of separation being nearly through the middle of the seed, which makes them equal. Radicle on the exterior or convex side of the seed, apex rather acute and turned up into a small hollow in the upper-most cotyledons, so that it points to the apex of the seed. After it has lengthened a little by the progress of vegetation, the two-lobed plumula is very conspicuous.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 645, 1832)



HARPULLIA CUPANIOIDES Roxb. (Harpullia cupanoides Roxb.)

14. BRUCEA SUMATRANA Roxb.

Shrubby. Leaflets serrate. Racemes axillary, generally compound.

Lussa-Radja, Rumph. Amb. Auctuar. 27. t. 15.

Mal. Ampadoo-Barrowing.

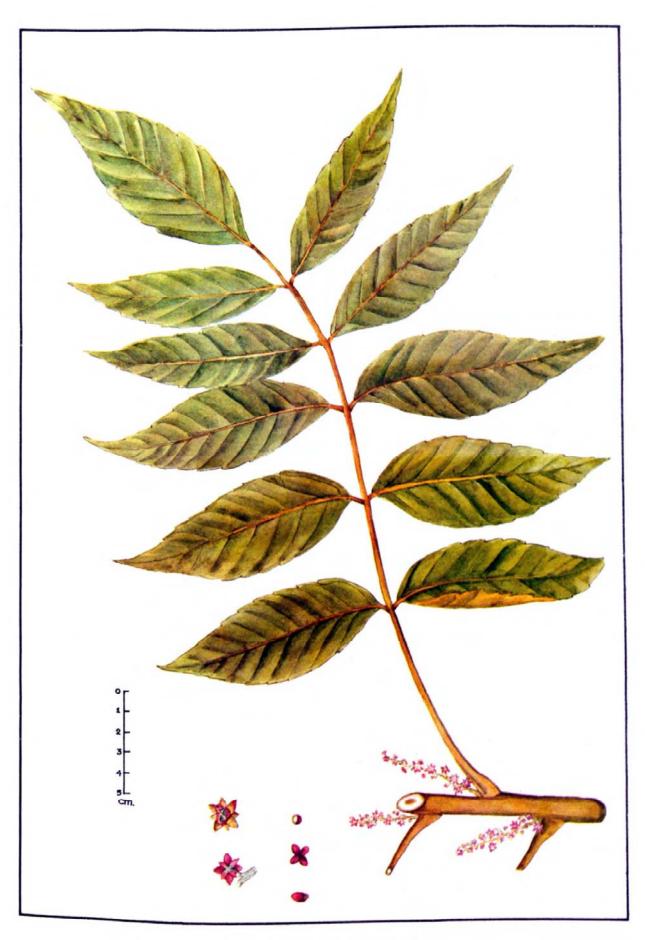
A native of Sumatra. From thence Mr. Ewer sent the seeds to the Botanic Garden, where in one year the plants were about four feet high with a straight ligneous stem; and few branches. They then began to flower in May, and continued to blossom and ripen their seed all the year.

Leaves scattered, unequally-pinnate, from twelve to eighteen inches long. Leaflets from four to six pair, opposite, short-petioled, obliquely ovate-lanceolate, grossly and obtusely serrate, pointed, villous underneath, from three to six inches long, very bitter, and somewhat foetid. Petioles common, round and villous. Stipules none. Racemes axillary, solitary, from one to six, or eight inches long, somewhat compound, dark purple, and clothed with a few white hairs. Flowers numerous, very minute, dark purple, and in all the Sumatra plants completely hermaphrodite. Bracts subulate, hairy, very small and caducous. Calyx four-leaved, or deeply four-parted. Segments small, ovate-lanceolate, deep purple, hairy on the outside and with the corols becoming reflexed. Petals four, longer than the calyx, lanceolate, dark purple, and hairy on the outside. Nectary a dark purple four-lobed, fleshy cup surrounding the insertion of the germs. Filaments four, short, purple, inserted under the margin of the nectary. Anthers oval, large and deep purple till they discharge their pollen. Germs four, superior, one-celled, with one ovulum in each attached to the upper and inner side of the cell. Styles single, short, recurved, one to each germ. Stigmas simple. Drupes four, when all come to maturity, size of a small grain of black pepper, smooth, dark purple, one-celled. Nut conform to the drupe, rugose, one-celled, inner edge thinner, and the upper half of it marked with a white line (the umbilicus). Seed conform to the nut. Integuments single, adhering to the perisperm, thin and white. Perisperm in very small quantity, indeed it may be called a fleshy inner integument. Embryo as long as the perisperm, straight, inverse. Cotyledons oval, fleshy. Plumula two-lobed. Radicle roundish, superior.

Obs. Since I first described this tree and only from plants that were completely hermaphrodite I have found some plants perfectly male, and others as completely female. In this plant, therefore, we have another instance of Trioicous Polygamy.

From the sensible qualities of the green parts of this plant, being somewhat foetid and simply, though intensely bitter, it promises to be as good an antedysenterical medicine as Bruce's Abyssinian Wooginos itself. As soon as the plants arrive at greater maturity the bark shall be dried, and compared with Angustura bark which has by some been thought that of Brucea antedysenterica of Bruce's Travels & C. vol. v. p. 69. also of I. F. Miller, Tab. 25. and still better described and figured by L. Heritier under the name Brucea ferruginea, Stirp. Nov. 19. t. 10. See also Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. Willd. iv. 742.

(W. Roxburgh, *Flora Indica* 1: 449, 1832)



BRUCEA SUMATRANA Roxb.

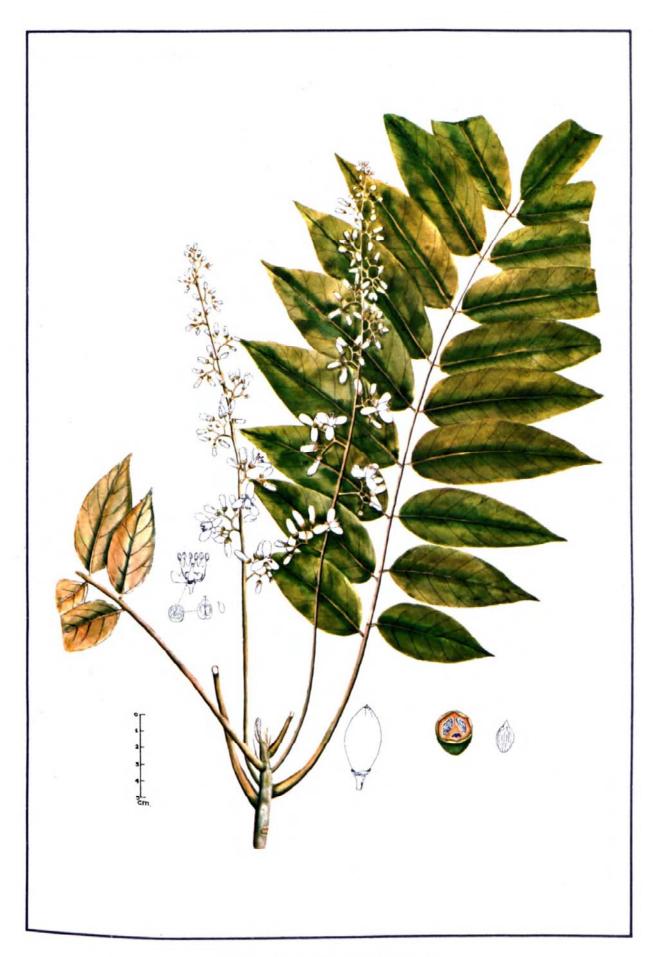
15. CANARIUM BENGALENSE Roxb.

Leaflets ovate, lanceolate, from six to ten pairs. Stipules subulate. Panicles sub-axillary, linear. Drupe ovate.

An immense forest tree, a native of Silhet and the adjoining mountainous countries north and east of that district; flowers in May and June, and the seed ripens about the beginning of the year. From fissures, or wounds in the bark, a large quantity of a very pure, clear, amber-coloured resin exudes, which soon becomes hard and brittle, and is not unlike *copal*, yet the natives set little or no value on it. It has hitherto, so far as I can learn, been unnoticed by any one else. In the Calcutta bazar, it is only valued at from two to three Rupees, for seven maunds of eighty pounds weight each.

Trunk erect, straight, many feet in circumference, the whole tree tall, and uncommonly well furnished. Young shoots void of pubescence, except the thin, tender, shooting points, and they are covered with a little rust-coloured, pubescence. Leaves alternate, round the ends of the branchlets, unequally pinnate, from twelve to twenty-four inches long. Leaflets sub-opposite, from six to ten pairs, from ovate-oblong to lanceolate, firm, entire and smooth, acuminate, from three to six inches long, by from one to two broad; common petioles round and smooth. Stipules subulate, clothed with long soft ferrugineous down. Racemes solitary, insertion above the axils, sub-panicled, shorter, in flower and fruit all the year round. Flowers rather small, but numerous, many of them abortive, male hermaphrodites. Calyx inferior, cup-shaped, three-toothed. Petals three, obovate-oblong, smooth, while in the bud imbricated. Nectary, a three-lobed, hairy cup around the lower part of the germ, and within the tube, formed by the filaments. Filaments six, united into a tube for half their length. Anthers oblong, erect. Germ superior, ovate, small, three-celled, with two ovula in each attached to the top of the axis. Style short. Stigma three-cleft. Drupe oblong, size of a large olive, smooth, one-celled. Pulp in considerable quantity, firm and yellowish; surface dark purple, covered with bloom like the common plum. Nut conform to the drupe, pointed, obscurely three-cornered, with an aril from the apex to the base, runs down each of the three sides or faces, thick and very hard, three-celled, &c. almost exactly as in Gaertner's Canarium sylvestre, ii. p. 98. t. 102. except in the ribs on the three sides, not represented in his figure. Seed one, rarely two, in each cell, oblong. Integument single, rather spongy and brown. Perisperm none. Embryo inverse. Cotyledons intricately folded up as represented by Gaertner. Radicle superior, oblong.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 136, 1832)



CANARIUM BENGALENSE Roxb.

16. MELIA TOMENTOSA Roxb.

Leaves pinnate; leaflets ten paired, entire. Thryses axillary, solitary, long-peduncled, simple.

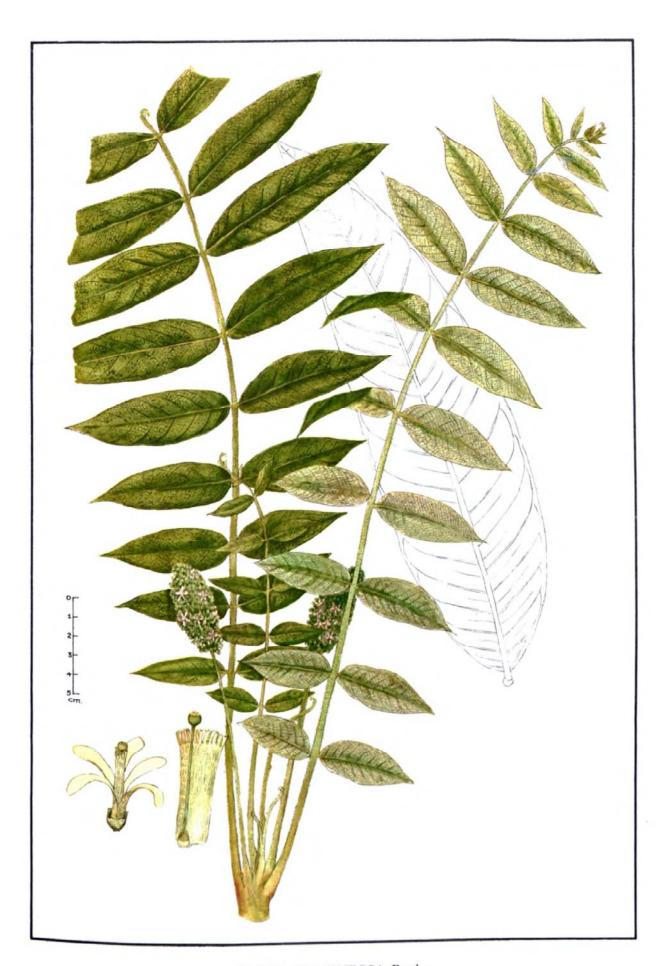
Mal. Barang babee.

A native of Pulo Pinang, where it grows to be a large tree.

Leaves alternate, pinnate, six feet, or more in length. Leaflets opposite, ten or more pairs, sub-sessile, lanceolate, entire, fine-pointed, of a firm, leathery texture, reticulated, and very downy underneath; exterior pairs largest, often a foot in length. Petioles round, very downy. Stipules none. Racemes axillary, solitary, long-peduncled, thyrsiform, compound. Flowers pretty large, very numerous, crowded. Bracts subulate, downy. Calyx cup-shaped, almost entire, downy. Petals five, wedge-shaped, expanding. Nectary cylindric, nearly the length of the petals, the ten divisions of its mouth linear, and ragged on the inside; exceedingly hairy. Stamens as in the genus. Germ ovate, hairy. Style as long as the nectary, hairy. Stigma globular.

The ripe fruit has not been found, but the germ has five cells, with one seed in each.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 394, 1832)



MELIA TOMENTOSA Roxb.

17. WALSURA PISCIDIA Roxb.

Leaves subternate; leaflets subternate oblong, obtuse.

Teling. Wallursi.

Tam. Walsura.

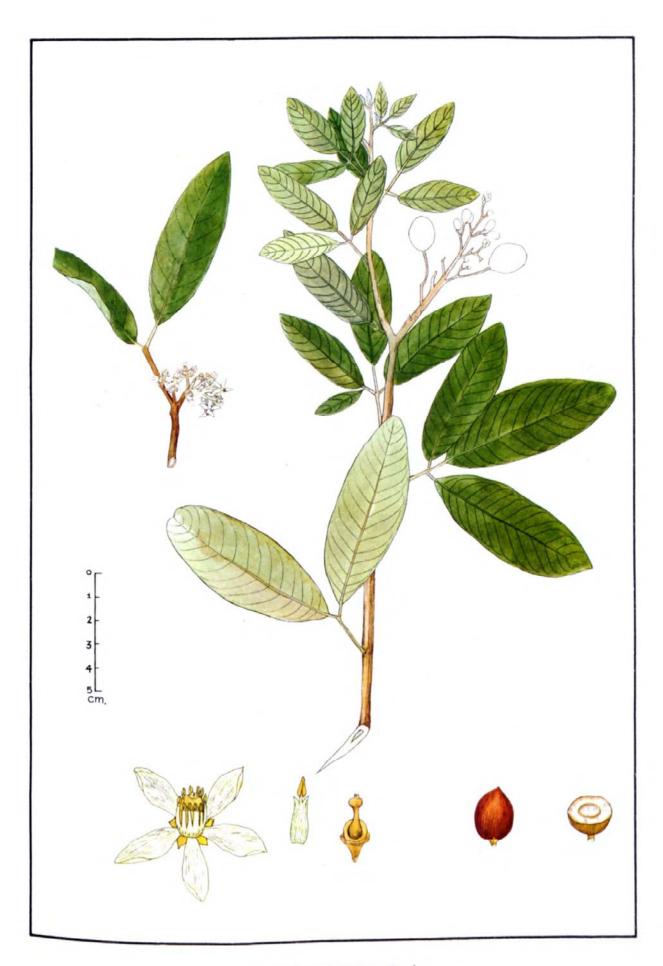
A tree, a native of the mountainous parts of the Circars. It flowers during the cold season. Specimens of this, in the Banksian herbarium, are referred to Trichilia.

Trunk erect. Bark ash-coloured; in old trees deeply cracked. Branches very irregularly scattered, forming a thin head. Leaves alternate, petioled, sub-pinnate. Leaflets from two to four, alternate, oblong, entire, frequently emarginate, above smooth, of a deep, shining green, below whitish, from two to three inches long, and about one broad. Stipules none. Flowers numerous, small, of a dirty yellowish white colour, collected on small terminal panicles. Bracts minute, falling. Calyx interior, five-cleft, permanent. Petals five, equal, lanceolate, expanding. Nectary double; exterior cylindric, half the length of the petals, ten-cleft for two-thirds of its length; divisions emarginate, staminiferous; interior, a fleshy ring surrounding the base of the germ. Filaments ten, short, inserted into the notches of the divisions of the exterior nectary. Anthers oblong, erect. Germ roundish, sunk deep into the interior nectary, two, rarely three-celled with two ovula in each, attached to the partition. Style the length of the exterior nectary. Stigma large, turbinate. Berry oblong, downy, pulpy, one-celled. Seed one, large, oblong.

This tree has nearly the flowers of Melia, Trichilia and Swietinia, but the fruit of Murraya; it may therefore constitute a new genus.

The wood serves for various economical purposes. I am informed by the natives, that if the bark in quantity is thrown into fish ponds, it soon kills the fish, which I believe is true, for it is rare to meet with a tree that has not been deprived of its bark. They do not esteem the fish the less wholesome, and it renders them easily caught, as they soon float, probably before they die; as is the case when *Cocculus indicus* is employed. This is the second species of fish poison. employed by the natives of this country, to enable them to catch fish, with little or no trouble. The fruit of *Gardenia dumetorum*, was the first which has been already taken notice of.

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WALSURA PISCIDIA Roxb.

18. WALSURA ROBUSTA Roxb.

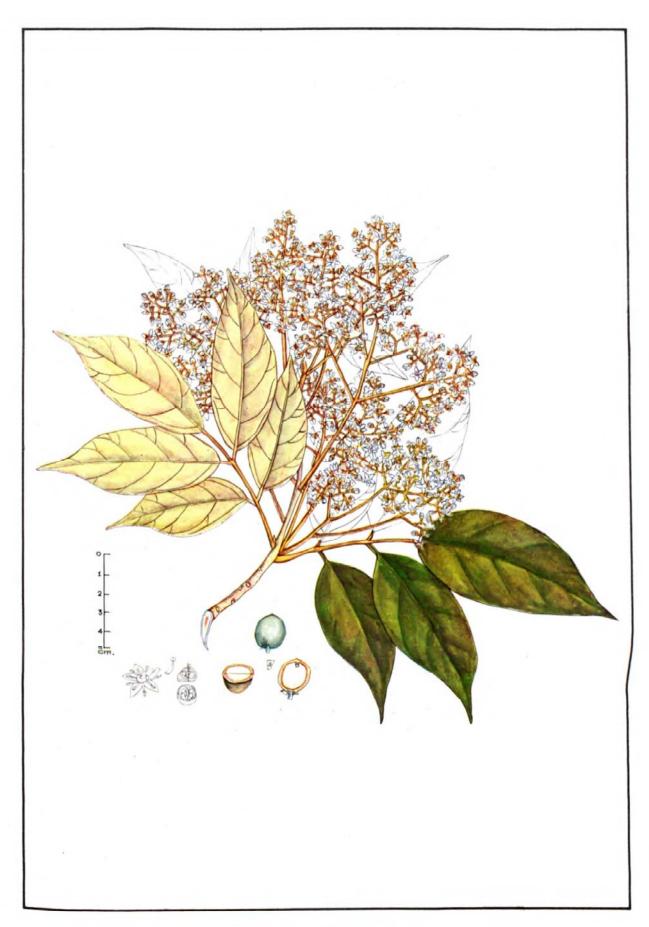
Leaves quinate-pinnate; leaflets lanceolate. Panicles terminal and axillary. Filaments distinct (consequently the exterior nectary is not found).

Upphing, the vernacular name in Silhet, where it grows to be one of their largest timber trees; having a trunk seven feet in circumference, and other parts in proportion.

It flowers in March and April, and the seed ripens in June.

Young shoots rough with scabrous specks, but void of pubescence. Leaves alternate, unequally pinnate, some ternate; from six to nine inches long. Leaflets generally five. The pairs opposite, from oblong to lanceolate, acuminate, entire, smooth; from four to five inches long, and from one to two broad. Petioles marked with the same sort of elevated rough white specks that are to be found on the young shoots. Panicles terminal, and from the exterior axils, length of the leaves, much crowded and very dense; their numerous ramifications scarcely villous. Bracts minute. Flowers numerous, rather small and white. Calyx five-parted; segments nearly equal, small and oval. Petals five, oblong, spreading, a little villous. Nectary, a large fleshy crenate ring round the base of the germ, within the filaments. Filaments ten, broad towards the base, but not in the least united, tapering regularly to the apex, which is very slender; they are inserted under the exterior part of the nectary, and are alternately a little shorter. Anthers small, oval. Germ superior, ovate, two-celled; ovula two in each cell, attached to the middle of the partition. Style short. Stigma peltate. Berry oval, size of a small olive, resting on the permanent corol, calyx and stamina, one-celled. Cortex rather thin, and bright grey. Seed solitary, conform to the berry, before maturity or when imperfectly ripe, a pretty large quantity of a clear, very succulent exterior envelope, or aril is found, but when ripe it is scarcely to be seen. Integuments besides the aril, single. Perisperm none. Embryo straight, inverse. Cotyledons conform to the seed. Radicle obovate-truncate, superior.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 386, 1832)



WALSURA ROBUSTA Roxb.

19. WALSURA TERNATA Roxb.

Leaves ternate; leaflets narrow-lanceolate. Panicles axillary. Nectary gibbous, with divisions alternately rounding and bidentate.

Tam. Kaka-walsura.

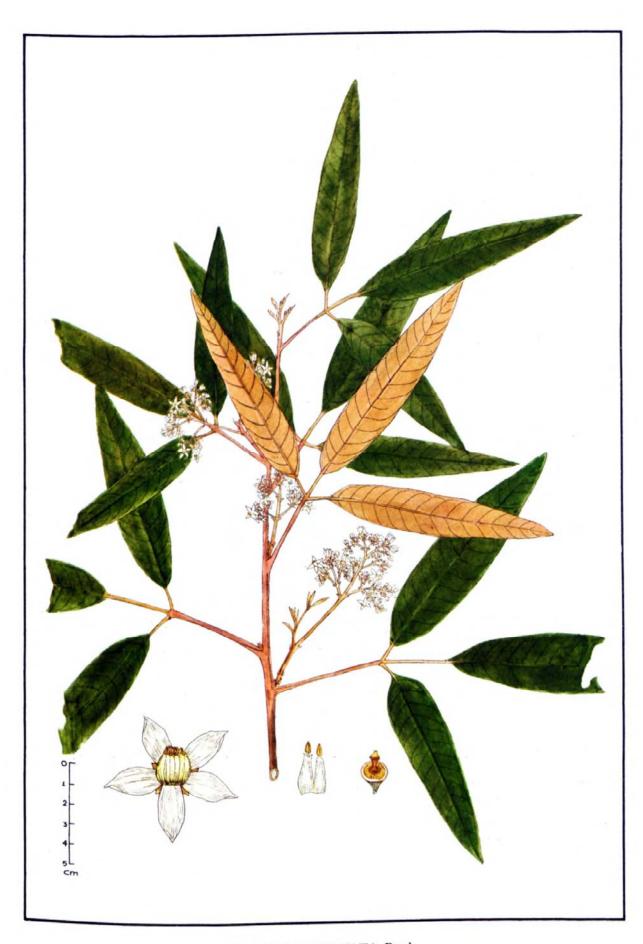
Teling. Chinna-wallursi.

A small tree growing on the sides of hills. It flowers during the hot season.

Trunk erect; bark smooth, rust colour. Leaves alternate, petioled, ternate. Leaflets narrow-lanceolate, equal, entire, above smooth, of a deep shining green, whitish underneath; from four to five inches long and one broad. Petioles semi-cylindric, rust-coloured, two inches long. Stipules none. Panicles axillary, middle-sized. Bracts single, small, caducous. Flowers very numerous, small, milk white. Calyx and corol as in W. piscidia. Nectary, the exterior one gibbous, and having only the apex of every other division bifid; the intermediate one, rounded, and a little shorter. Interior salver-shaped, with a large, high, callous margin. Stamens as in the former species. Style half the length of the gibbous nectary. Stigma large; apex two-lobed.

I have not seen the pericarp, but from the structure and contents of the germ, I imagine it will be a one-seeded berry.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 389, 1832)



WALSURA TERNATA Roxb.

20. HEYNEA TRIJUGA Roxb.

Leaves unequally pinnate; leaflets three pair. Panicles axillary, long-peduncled.

Kapyakooshee.

A native of Nepal; from thence, in 1802, Dr. Buchanan sent seeds of this tree, to the Botanic Garden at Calcutta, under the vernacular name yakooshee, where in seven years, the young trees were about fifteen, and twenty feet high, with much the habit of the Walnut tree. Flowering time in the Botanic Garden, March; the seed ripens in October.

Trunk straight, in our young trees about as thick as a man's thigh. Bark dark ash-coloured, and pretty smooth. Branches few; young shoots marked with scabrous spots. Leaves unequally pinnate, alternate, from one to two feet long. Leaflets opposite, short-petiolated, two or three pairs, ovate-oblong, acuminate, entire, smooth, from four to eight inches long, and from two to four broad. Petioles round, smooth, swelled at the insertion of the leaflets. Petioles channelled, less than an inch long. Stipules none. Panicles axillary, solitary, long peduncled, smooth, erect. Flowers numerous, small, white. Bracts minute, caducous. Calyx one-leafed, five-toothed, permanent. Petals five, cuneate-lanceolate, spreading. Nectarium subcylindric, shorter than the petals, half ten-cleft, division alternately a little shorter, bifid. Filaments scarcely any. Anthers ten, ovate, threelobed, crowned with an obtuse point, attached to the inside of the divisions of the nectary. Germ superior, immersed in a large fleshy ring, two-celled, with two ovula in each, attached to the middle of the partition. Style short. Stigma large, nearly round, with a two-toothed apex which is rather within the mouth of the nectary. Capsule round, the size of a small cherry, fleshy, one-celled, two-valved, opening round the apex. Seed solitary, round, invested in a complete, thin, white, scabaceous aril, which with the seed, as in the germ, are attached to what was the partition, now pressed to one side by the abortion of three-fourths of its original contents. Integument single, when recent orange, but soon changing to a chesnut colour, smooth, and strong, with a long white umbilicus strongly marking the side of attachment. Perisperm none. Embryo inverse. Cotyledons two, hemispheric, conform to the seed, firm, green. Plumula small, two-lobed. Radicle superior, small.

The bark, leaves and tender parts possess a considerable share of a peculiar bitter taste; and the cold infusious thereof, with the addition of a little sulphate of iron, becomes black; two principles very generally found amongst the plants of this natural order, which grow in India.

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HEYNEA TRIJUGA Roxb.

21. CEDRELA TOONA Roxb.

Panicles pendulous. Leaflets from six to twelve pairs, lanceolate, entire, acute.

Surenus. Rumph. Amb. iii. 66. t. 39.

Beng. Toon, Lood.

This most elegant, large timber tree is now found common in Bengal, probably brought thither originally from the mountainous parts of the Northern and North East Frontier. *Leaves* deciduous during the cold season, appearing again with the flowers in February. *Seed* ripe in May and June.

Trunk erect, growing to a great size and height, though I have only seen small trees about Calcutta. Bark smooth, grey. Branches numerous, forming a large, beautiful, shady head. Leaves alternate, abruptly pinnate, drooping, from twelve to eighteen inches long. Leaflets from six to twelve pairs, opposite or nearly so, short-petiolated, obliquely lanceolate, the upper half broadest, and extending further down the petiolet than the lower; margins waved, smooth on both sides, tapering to a long acute point; from two to six inches long. Petioles and petiolets round and smooth. Stipules none. Panicles terminal, nearly as long as the leaves, pendulous, composed of numerous, diverging, compound ramifications, smooth in every part. Bracts minute, deciduous. Flowers very numerous, small, white, and possessing a fragrance like that of fresh honey. Calyx five-parted. Petals five, oblong, with the margins ciliate, the apices incurved over the stamens, and keeled on the inside near the base. Nectary consisting of five, large, hairy, orange-coloured glands, sitting round the lower half of the germ. Filaments erect, inserted into the centre of the five nectarial glands, rather shorter than the petals. Anthers bent in towards the stigma. Germ superior, oblong, internal structure and contents as in the capsule. Style length of the corol. Stigma large, flat, composed of five lobes. Capsules oblong, rather larger than a field bean, smooth, five-celled, five-valved; valvelets opening from the apex and falling off with the seeds. Seeds numerous, imbricated, both the ends and the exterior side membrane-winged, affixed to the upper end of the sharp ridges of the receptacle, &c. exactly as in Swietenia febrifuga and Mahogani. See Gaert. carp. ii. 86. Perisperm in very small quantity, and more like a fleshy interior integument. Embryo inverse. Cotyledons oval, three-nerved. Radicle obliquely superior.

The wood of this tree is much like mahogany, but lighter, consequently not so close in the grain. It is much used for furniture and various other purposes. The bark is a powerful astringent, and though not bitter is a tolerably good substitute for *Peruvian Bark* in the cure of remitting and intermitting fevers; particularly when joined with a small portion of the powdered seed of *Cesalpinia bonduccella* (*Kutkulegei* of the Bengalees), which is a most powerful bitter.

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CEDRELA TOONA Roxb.

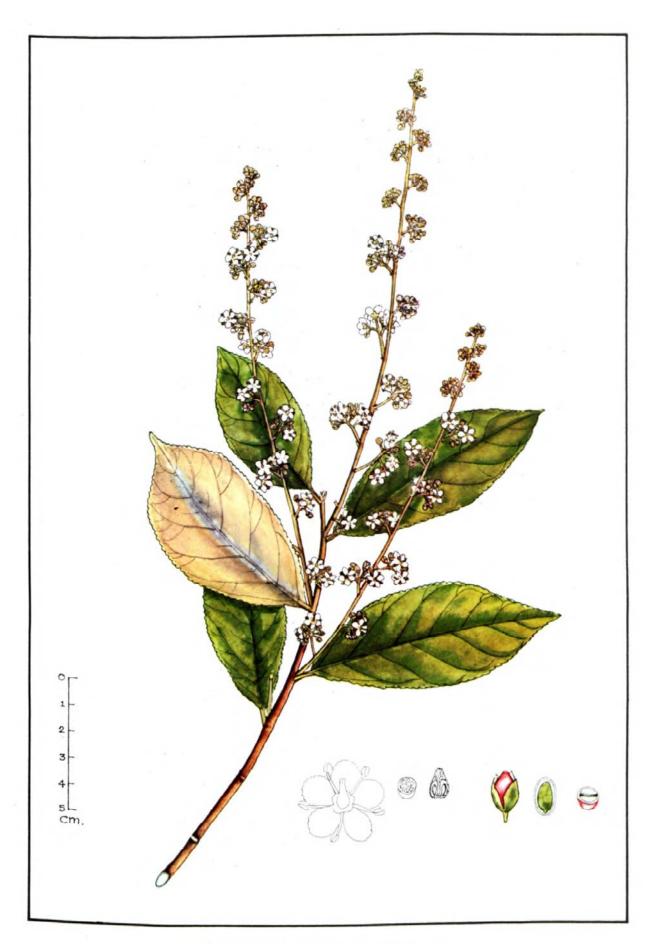
22. CELASTRUS MONOSPERMA Roxb.

Shrubby, scandent. Leaves oblong, glossy, serrulate. Panicles thin, linear, axillary and terminal, longer than the leaves. Capsules three-valved, one-seeded.

Tiara the vernacular name in Silhet, where it is found wild in thin forests, climbing up and over trees, &c. to a great extent. Flowering time the month of April. Seeds ripe in October.

Young shoots smooth and brown, perfectly void of every kind of pubescence. Leaves alternate, short-petioled, from obovate-oblong to lanceolar, glossy on both sides, serrulate, obtusely pointed, from three to five inches long, and one or two broad. Panicles axillary and terminal, linear, thin of branches, two, three, or even four times longer than the leaves, smooth. Flowers numerous, small, pale greenish yellow. Bracts subulate, small, smooth. Calyx five-parted, segments short and rounded. Petals five, sub-orbicular, inserted, alternate with the stamens under the margin of the flat repand nectary, which embraces the base of the germ. Filaments five, short. Anthers oval. Germ obovate, oblong, three-celled, with two ovula in each attached to the bottom of the cell. Style short. Stigma trigonal. Capsule the size of a field bean, oblong, smooth, three-valved, but I never found more than one cell. Seed solitary, covered with an orange-coloured, pulpy tunic, under it a single, tender integument, of a light brown colour. Perisperm conform to the seed, pure white. Embryo erect, deep green. Cotyledons oblong. Radicle oval, inferior.

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CELASTRUS MONOSPERMA Roxb.

23. HIPPOCRATEA ARBOREA Roxb.

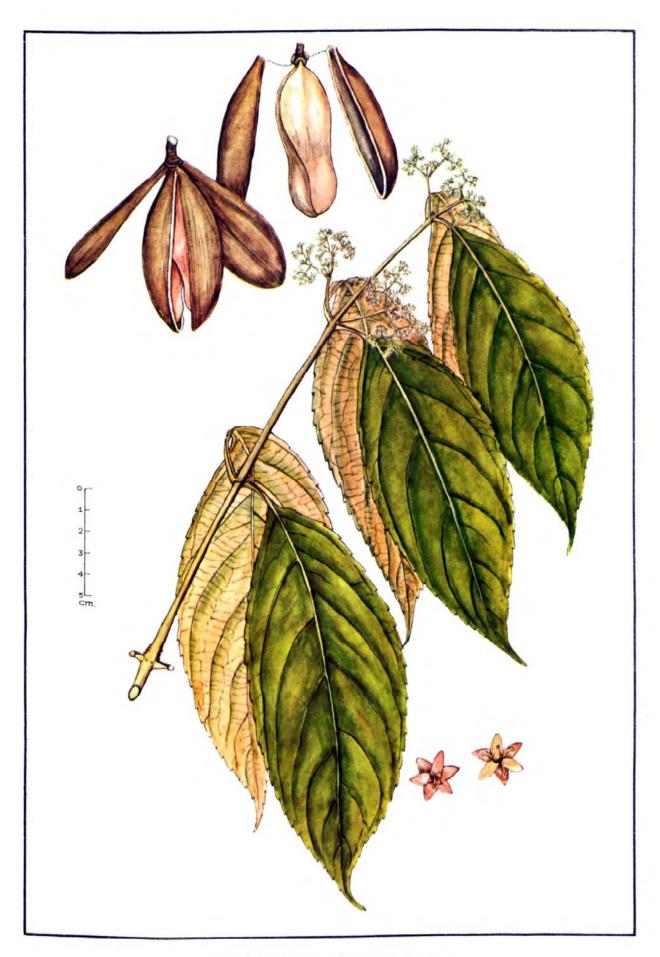
Sub-arboreous, with climbing branches. *Leaves* opposite, oblong, serrulate, cuspidate. *Corymbs* axillary. *Capsules* linear-oblong, two-seeded.

Beng. Katha-paharia.

A native of the interior parts of India. It blossoms in July and the seeds ripen in March.

Trunk tolerably straight, but short, about as thick as a man's thigh, covered with smooth, dark-brownish ash-coloured bark. Branches and branchlets spreading and climbing to a great extent, young shoots round and smooth, indeed highly polished; many of them form the claspers. Leaves opposite, short-petioled, drooping, oblong, taper-pointed, serrate, very smooth on both sides; from six to seven inches long, and about three broad. Stipules none, but two or three small, dark-brown, scaly germs are found in each axil. Corymbs axillary, dichotomous, with a pedicelled flower in the divisions. Bracts opposite, small, permanent. Flowers very numerous and small, pale greenish yellow. Calyx beneath, generally four, though sometimes five or even six-parted; divisions rounded, and only about half the length of the corol. Corol four, five or sixpetalled, (six is the most common and I suppose the natural number,) in a double series, equal, ovate-oblong, smooth. Nectary a three-sided, fleshy cup surrounding the insertion of the stamens and germ. Filaments three, membranaceous, shorter than the corol. Anthers four-lobed. Germ ovate. Style short. Stigma simple. Capsules three, cuneiform, striated, three inches long, and about one and a half broad, one-celled, two-valved; valves exactly boat-shaped. Seeds two, ovate, compressed, enlarged with an oblong, soft, thin, spongy wing, the attachment is between its apex and the base of the capsules. *Integument* single, ochraceous. Perisperm none. Embryo oblique, compressed. Cotyledons conform to the seed, yellow. Plumula two-lobed. Radicle oval, sub-inferior.

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HIPPOCRATEA ARBOREA Roxb.

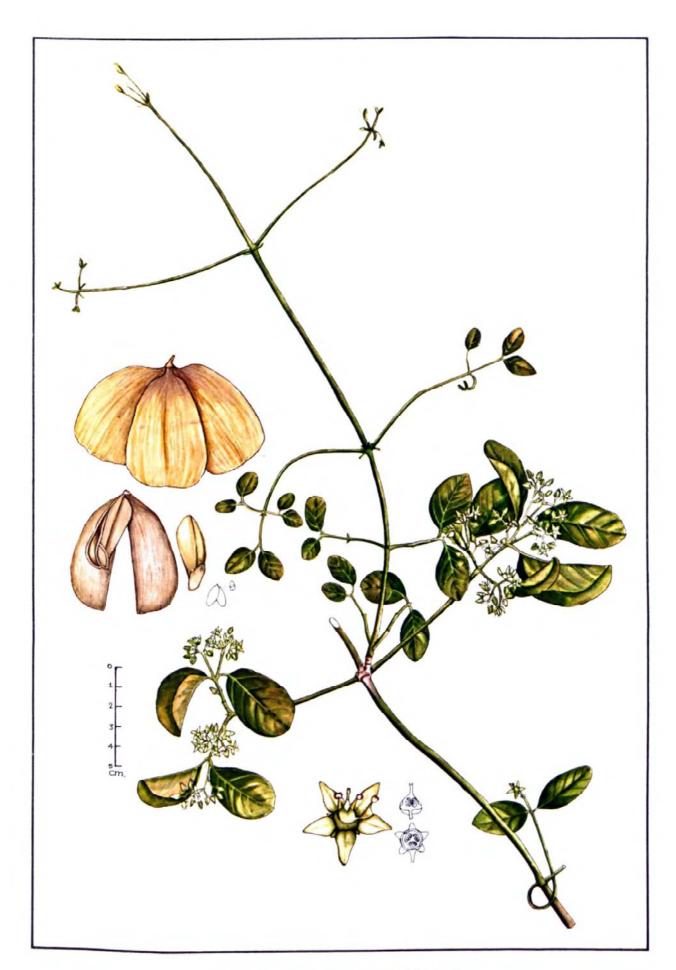
24. HIPPOCRATEA OBTUSIFOLIA Roxb.

Shrubby, climbing by the help of cirrhose branchlets. *Leaves* elliptically-oblong, entire, obtuse. *Corymbs* terminal and axillary. *Capsules* obovate, four-seeded.

A native of the coast of Coromandel. Flowering time in the Botanic Garden, March and April; the seeds take one year to ripen.

Stems and larger branches ligneous, and covered with cracked, spongy grey bark, climbing to a great extent by the help of the smaller, round, smooth, diverging, opposite branchlets, which take a turn or two round their supporters. Leaves opposite, short-petioled, oblong, entire, (large luxuriant leaves are sometimes obscurely serrate,) obtuse, firm, polished, length from three to four inches. Stipules of the leaves four-fold, minute, subulate; those of the branchlets larger. Corymbs terminal, or from the exterior axils, often compoundly dichotomous and shorter than the leaves. Bracts minute, ovate. Flowers small, pale greenish yellow. Calyx five-leaved. Petals five, ovate-lanceolate. Nectary, a large, fleshy receptacle receiving the base of the germ; its margin becomes thin, and is divided into three, tapering, antheriferous segments, which are at first erect, but soon become revolute. Filaments no other than the three segments of the nectary. Anthers two, round, one-celled lobes. Germ three-lobed, immersed in the thick, fleshy nectary, three-celled, each cell containing several seeds, attached to the axis. Style the length of the filaments; stigma three-toothed. Capsules three, obovate, thin, smooth, slightly veined, about two inches long, by one and a half broad, one-celled, two-valved. Seeds generally four in each capsule, two on each side, lodged about its middle, of a narrow-oblong shape, with a large, oblong, membranaceous wing proceeding from the base, and attached by its extremity to the very base of the capsule. Integuments two; exterior a very thin, smooth membrane; interior rather thick and somewhat spongy. Perisperm none. Embryo erect. Cotyledons oblong, pale green while recent. Plumula two-leaved. Radicle short, inferior.

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