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1. LEEA INTEGRIFOLIA Roxb.

Sub-arboreous. Leaves super-decompound; leaflets lanceolar, entire, acuminate. Corymbs super-decompound.

Teling. Booradipakai.

A native of the moist vallies among the Circar mountains. It is a large shrub, and flowers during the wet season.

Leaves alternate, super-decompound, about thirty inches long. Pinnae as in the last species (L. staphylea); the lower pair always bipinnate. Leaflets opposite, sub-sessile, linear-lanceolate and lanceolar, sometimes very slightly serrate; smooth above, a little downy underneath, from six to eight inches long, and from two to three broad. Petioles and petiolets smooth, with an elevated ridge running along the upper side; beyond the lower pair of pinnae the ridge has a groove in it. Stipules as in the former (L. staphylea). Corymbs terminal, &c. as in the last species (L. staphylea), but larger. Calyx as in the other species. Corol; tube shorter than the calyx, in other respects as in the last species (L. staphylea). Nectary composed of five erect, emarginate scales, issuing from the mouth of the tube of the corol. Filaments five, alternate with and longer than the nectarial bodies. Anthers oblong, pointed. Pistil, pericarp, and seeds, as in the last species (L. staphylea); it is rather more common for the capsule to be six-seeded in this species than in the others.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 659, 1832)



LEEA INTEGRIFOLIA Roxb.

2. LEEA MACROPHYLLA Roxb.

Herbaceous. Leaves simple.

Sans. Sumoodruka.

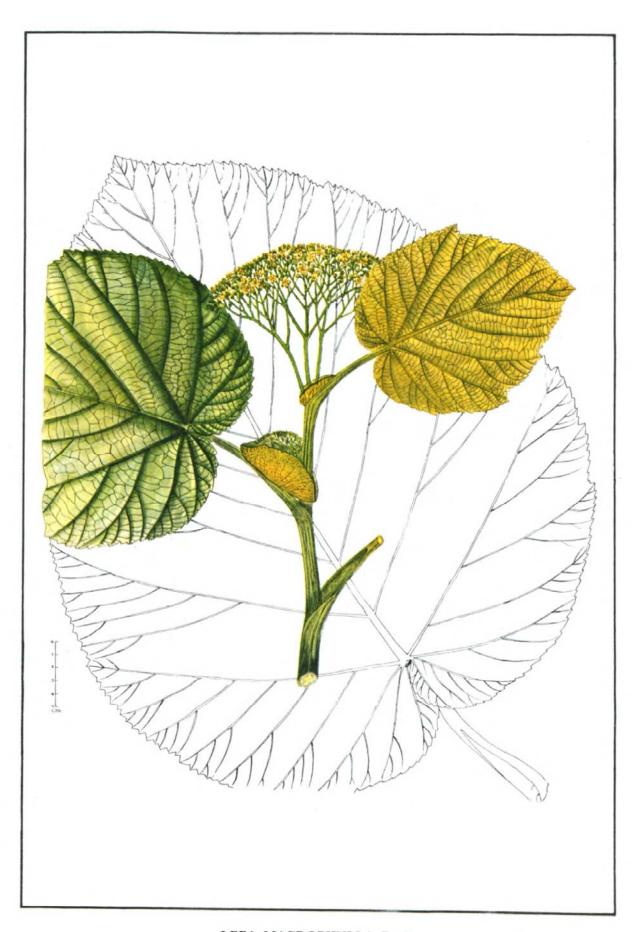
Beng. Dhol-Shumoodra.

Is common throughout Bengal. Flowering time the rainy season.

Root tuberous, perennial, red. Stem erect, annual, flexuose, jointed. Leaves simple, alternate, petioled, broad-cordate, irregularly serrate, or tooth-lobed; posterior lobes large and overlapping each other; smooth on both sides, except that on the under side the numerous veins are very protuberant, of which the larger are always opposite; from one to two feet long, and nearly as broad. Petioles tapering from the base, furrowed below, channelled above, as far as the stipule-like membrane reaches. Cymes terminal, large; first division threeparted, or three distinct cymes, superior divisions less regular. Flowers very numerous, small, white. Bracts small, falling. Calyx five-toothed, permanent. Corol one-petalled. Tube length of the calyx. Border five-parted; divisions lanceolate, expanding with an incurved apex and there bagged. Nectary; in this species the apices of the divisions are entire. Filaments five, length of the nectary, and inserted on the bottom of its five fissures. Anthers inverted within the mouth of the nectary, with their sides united. Germ superior, six-celled, with one ovulum in each, attached to the base of the axis. Style cylindric. Stigma simple, perforated, lodged about the middle of the inverted anthers. Berry much depressed, torose, size of a small cherry, obscurely six or more-lobed, smooth, black, and succulent when ripe, six or more-celled. Seeds solitary. Integuments two; the exterior one somewhat nuciform, pretty thick, and brown; the inner one very thin, and lighter coloured, adhering to the perisperm. Perisperm conform to the seed, deeply intersected with brown, clammy fissures. Embryo small, scarcely half the length of the perisperm, subulate. Cotyledons subulate. Radicle inferior, pointing to the umbilicus.

Obs. The root promises to yield a colour fit for dyeing; its taste is astringent, and it is mucilaginous.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 653, 1832)



LEEA MACROPHYLLA Roxb.

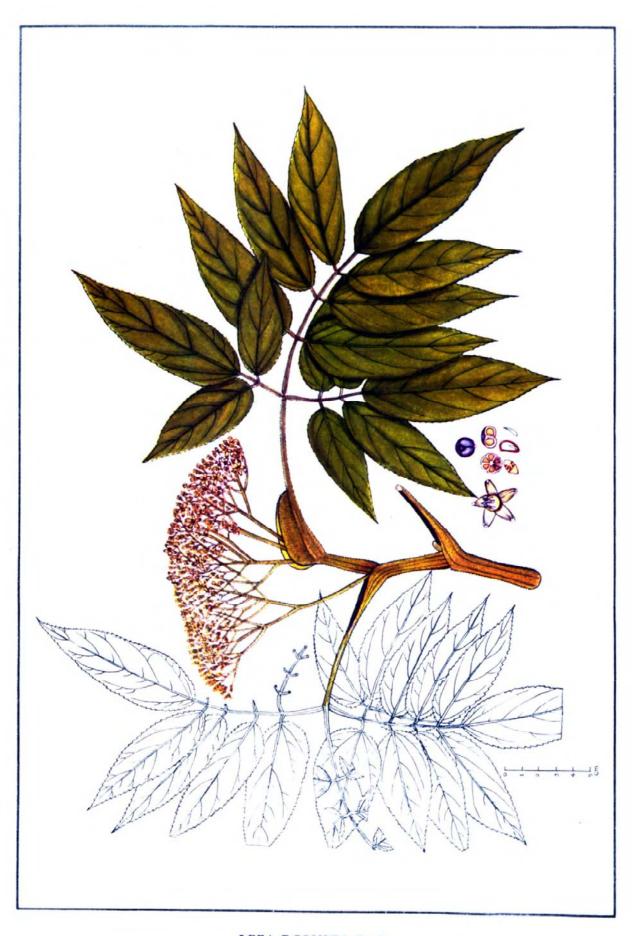
3. LEEA ROBUSTA Roxb.

Shrubby, jointed, pubescent. Leaves bi- and tri-pinnate; leaflets ovate-lanceolate, serrate, cuspidate. Nectary sub-globular.

A native of the northern Circars. In the Botanic Garden at Calcutta, it flowers during the rains.

Stems in plants five years old erect, about five or six feet high, stout, simple, flexuous, jointed, round, the woody parts pretty smooth, the more tender parts rather harsh, with coarse, short pubescence. Leaves alternate, from pinnate to tripinnate, from one to three feet long, and often broader than long. Leaflets ovate-lanceolate, the lateral ones with a broad-cordate base, serrate, hairy underneath; from five to ten inches long, and from three to five broad. Petioles channelled on the upper edge. Stipules petiolary, large, semi-elliptic, villous, caducous. Cymes terminal, super-decompound, villous. Flowers very numerous, small. Bracts linear, villous, caducous. Calyx campanulate, five-toothed. Corol green, five-cleft. Nectary round, urceolate, pearl-coloured, inserted on the mouth of the small tube of the corol, and there contracted by a sharp vein on the inside, deeply five-parted; segments linear-oblong, fleshy, with a thin, rounded apex. Filaments inserted into the bottom of the fissures of the nectary, above the middle jointed, and there bent in and down. Anthers linear-oblong, inverted, and in that position their margins are firmly united into a ring round the stigma. Germ superior, ovate, six-celled, with one ovulum in each, attached to the base of the axis. Style short, but thin and six-grooved. Stigma rather large, entire, convex. Berry much flattened, size of a small cherry, smooth, black, and somewhat succulent, six-lobed, six-celled. Seed solitary. Perisperm conform to the seed, intersected with some deep brown fissures, as in all the other species examined by me. Embryo small, a little curved. Cotyledons subulate. Radicle inferior, pointing to the umbilicus.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 655, 1832)



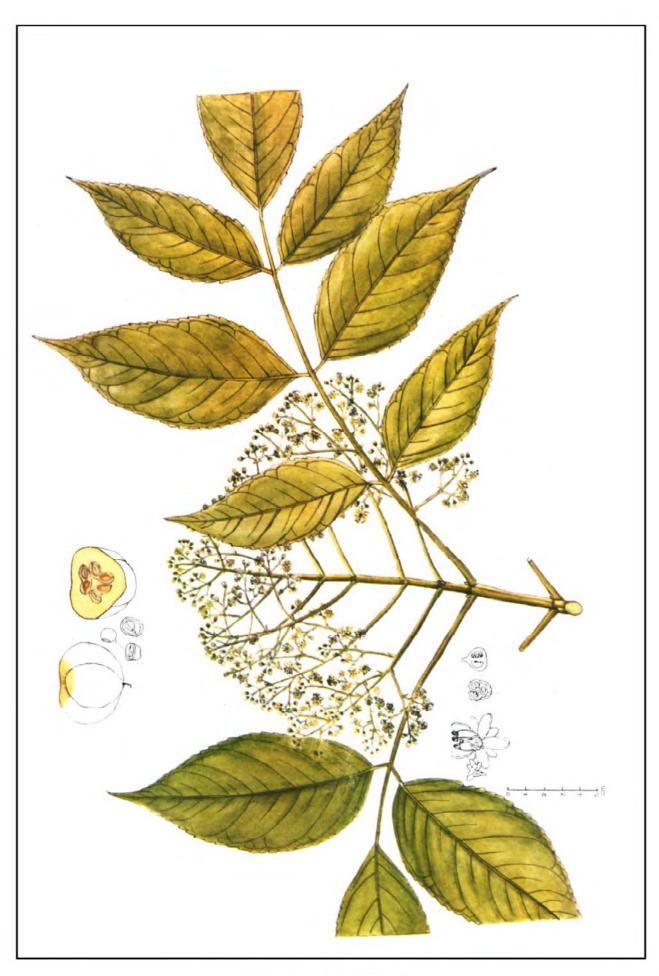
LEEA ROBUSTA Roxb.

4. DALRYMPLEA POMIFERA Roxb. (Dalrympelia pomifera Roxb.)

Junki jam the vernacular name in Silhet where it is a native and grows to be a large tree. Flowering in March, and the seed ripening in September and October.

Young shoots rather succulent, round, and perfectly smooth. Leaves opposite, unequally pinnate, some of them ternate; from ten to twenty inches long. Laeflets three or four pairs, and a terminal one, the pairs opposite, all more or less petiolate, oblong, obtusely serrate, acuminate, smooth, from five to six inches long, by two or three broad. Petioles and petiolets round and smooth. Panicles terminal, spreading much, more broad than long, primary branches decussate; parietal ones alternate with the small yellowish white flowers, which are crowded round their extremities; every part smooth. Bracts to the primary branches of the panicle opposite, as in the Rubiaceae the rest solitary under each division and sub-division. Calyx inferior, five-leaved; leaflets rather unequal and oval. Petals five, oblong, obtuse, spreading. Nectary acetabuliform. Filaments five, alternate with the petals, and shorter than they, inserted under the nectary. Anthers ovate. Germ superior, three-lobed, indeed almost separable, three-celled; ovula about eight in each cell, widely attached to the axis. Style length of the germ, three-grooved. Stigma three-lobed. Berry drupaceous, having the appearance of a pome, of a roundish, three-lobed form, very fleshy, when ripe yellow, and almost smooth, size of a large medlar, three-celled. Seeds several in each cell, shape various, the most common roundish, reniform and considerably compressed, attached to the partition. Integument single, thick and of great hardness, in fact a perfect nut, exterior surface brown and highly polished. Perisperm conform to the seed. Embryo obliquely inferior. Cotyledons cordate, three-nerved. Radicle oval, obliquely centrifugal.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 633, 1832)



DALRYMPLEA POMIFERA Roxb. (Dalrympelia pomifera Roxb.)

5. CROTALARIA BIALATA Roxb.

Perennial, spreading; branches two-winged. Leaves sub-sessile, from lanceolar to oblong. Peduncles lateral, long and smooth.

A native of Silhet. In the Botanic Garden it grows to be a pretty large bushy spreading shrub, with little or no stem, but many sub-ligneous, naked, spreading branches, which divide into ascending, broad-winged, villous branchlets. Flowers and ripens its seed during the rainy and cool seasons.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 274, 1832)



CROTALARIA BIALATA Roxb.

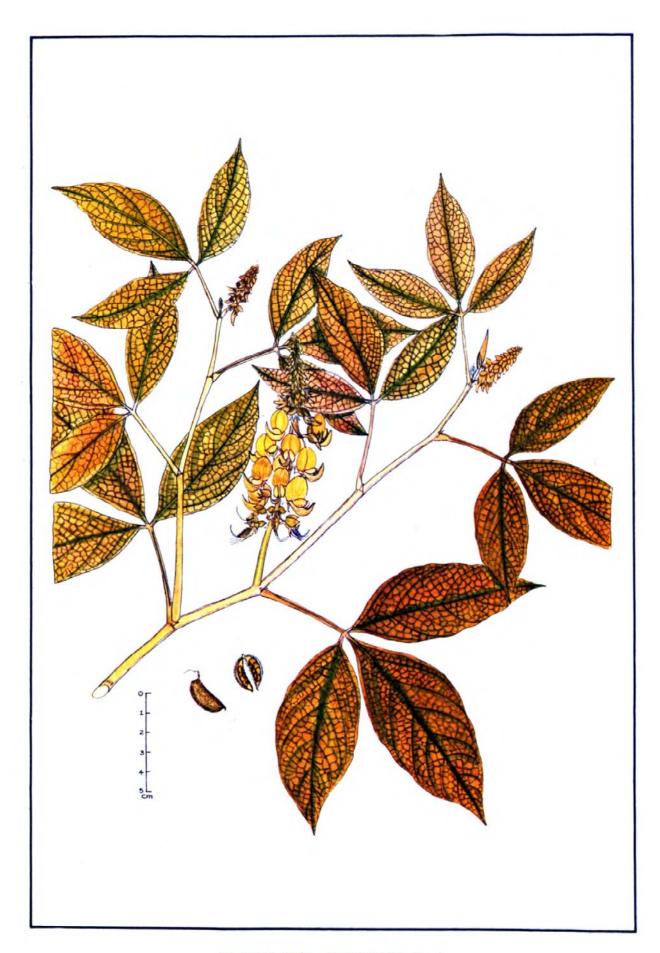
6. CROTALARIA BRACTEATA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect, with many spreading branches, slightly sericeous. *Leaves* ternate; *leaflets* broad-lanceolar, acute, smooth. *Stipules* minute. *Racemes* axillary or leaf-opposed; a pair of large ovate bracts over the calyx. *Legume* sessile, woolly, many-seeded.

A native of Chittagong. Flowering time the close of the rains; seed ripens in January and February.

Root perennial. Trunk short, ligneous. Branches numerous, dichotomous, spreading; young shoots round, lightly sericeous. Leaves alternate, petioled, ternate. Leaflets broad-lanceolar, acute, entire, while young slightly sericeous underneath; from three to six inches long, and from one to three broad. Petioles about two inches long, slightly channelled. Stipules minute acute. Racemes solitary, erect, axillary or opposite, shorter than the leaves. Flowers numerous, pretty large, yellow. Bracts of the pedicels solitary, small, one-flowered; those of the calyx, paired, ovate and projecting over the calyx like a hood, before the flowers expand; their structure and situation make the racemes appear imbricated. Legumes sessile, broad, boat-shaped, very woolly, about three quarters of an inch long. Seed several, reniform, smooth, pale-coloured.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 278, 1832)



CROTALARIA BRACTEATA Roxb.

7. CROTALARIA FULVA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect. Leaves lanceolar, sericeous when young. Stipules none. Racemes terminal, and from the exterior axils. Bracts ovate, recurved, those of the pedicel solitary, those of the calyx paired. Legume sessile, oval, hid in the sericeous, permanent calyx, two-seeded.

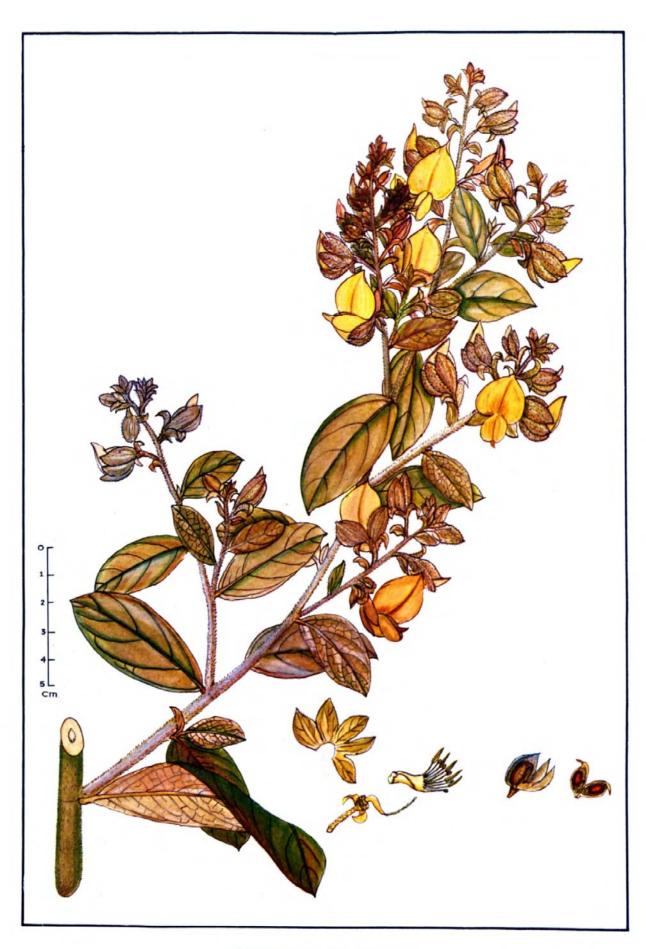
A native of Mysore, from thence Dr. Buchanan sent the seed to the Botanic Garden where in two years the plants blossomed in October and November, and ripened their seed in January. They were then stout, erect shrubs with a single, ligneous trunk and many ascending branches.

Bark of the young shoots clothed with much soft, short, white hair. Leaves simple, sub-sessile, lanceolate, entire, while young sericeous on both sides, from two to four inches long. Stipules none. Racemes terminal and from the exterior axils; the whole forming large, elegant, sub-erect, sericeous panicles, bearing numerous, large, yellow flowers. Bracts of the petioles solitary, one-flowered, ovate, recurved; those of the calyx rather narrower and recurved; all are permanent. Calyx large, yellowish and sericeous on the outside. Legume sessile, hid in the calyx, oval, villous, with the villous, dry, permanent style bent downwards. Seeds two, reniform, smooth, light brown.

The sericeous extremities and numerous large yellow flowers, give to this stately species, a very charming appearance while in blossom.

It differs from König's sericea (see Retz. Obs. v.p. 29) in the want of stipules and disposition of the bracts. C. linifolia (Suppl. 322.) is no doubt juncea, a plant totally different in every respect.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 266, 1832)



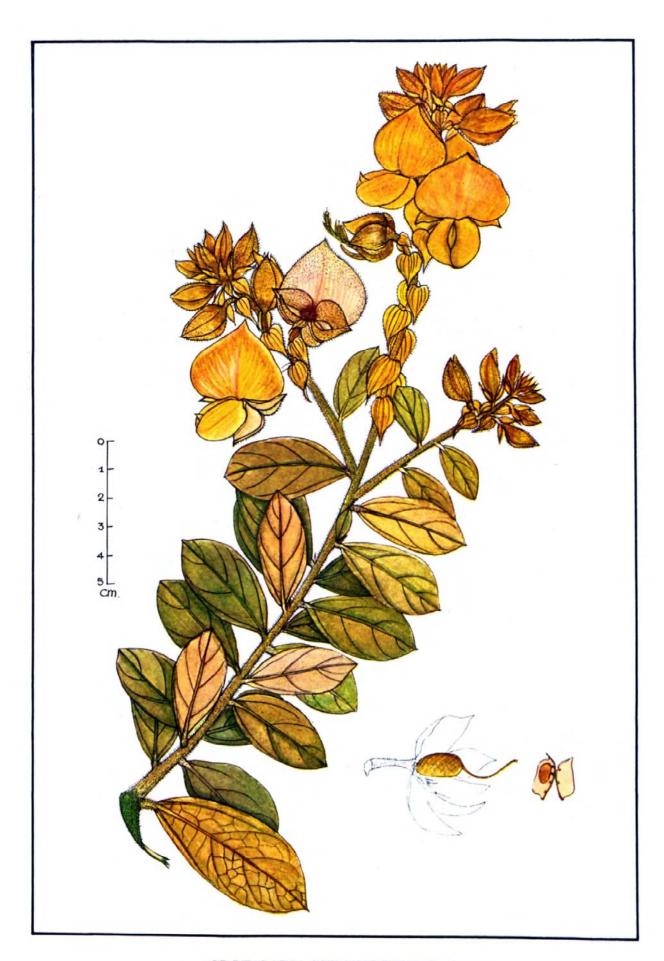
CROTALARIA FULVA Roxb.

8. CROTALARIA PULCHERRIMA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect. Leaves obovate-cuneate, villous. Stipules none. Racemes terminal; bracts of the pedicels solitary, cordate, acuminate, refracted; those of the calyx lanceolate. Legume sessile, oblong, hid in the permanent calyx, seeds few.

A native of Mysore, from thence Dr. Buchanan sent the seeds to the Botanic Garden at Calcutta in 1801, and in January 1803 the plants blossomed for the first time and ripened their seed in March. Trunk erect, as thick as a walking cane, covered with smooth, ash-coloured bark; young shoots round, and downy. Leaves simple, sessile, obovate-cuneate, villous; length from one to three inches. Stipules none. Racemes terminal, sometimes compound. Bracts of the pedicel solitary, one-flowered, sessile, cordate, acuminate, refracted, villous and yellow. Flowers very large, of a lively bright yellow and of several days duration. Bracts of the calyx opposite, lanceolate, expanding, villous, and not of so deep a yellow as the larger cordate bracts. Calyx deeply divided into five unequal segments and clothed with fine yellow pubescence, permanent. Legume sessile, hid in the permanent calyx, oblong, smooth. Seeds a few, frequently not more than one comes to perfect maturity.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 267, 1832)



CROTALARIA PULCHERRIMA Roxb.

9. CROTALARIA RAMOSISSIMA Roxb.

Suffruticose, very ramous, hairy. Leaves sessile, lanceolar. Stipules none. Racemes terminal, few-flowered. Bracts callous-margined, and revolute. Legume sessile, one-seeded.

A native of the interior parts of Bengal, and in blossom most part of the year.

Root ramous, perennial. Stem scarcely any, but numerous sub-ligneous, small, variously bent, alternate, very hairy branches and branchlets, spread in every direction; general height of the whole plant about two feet and in diameter fully as much. Leaves alternate, sessile, simple, approximate, cuneate-lanceolar, entire; very hairy underneath, size of the largest, about an inch long, and scarcely one-fourth of an inch in breadth.

Stipules none. Racemes terminal, solitary, few-flowered. Flowers pretty large, yellow, tinged with deep purple. Bracts of the pedicel solitary; of the calyx paired; all are cordate, with callous, recurved, coloured, smoothish margins and apices. Calyx; divisions unequal; the upper two being much larger than the lower three; the margins of all callous, coloured and recurved. Legume oval, hairy, sessile, one-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 268, 1832)



CROTALARIA RAMOSISSIMA Roxb.

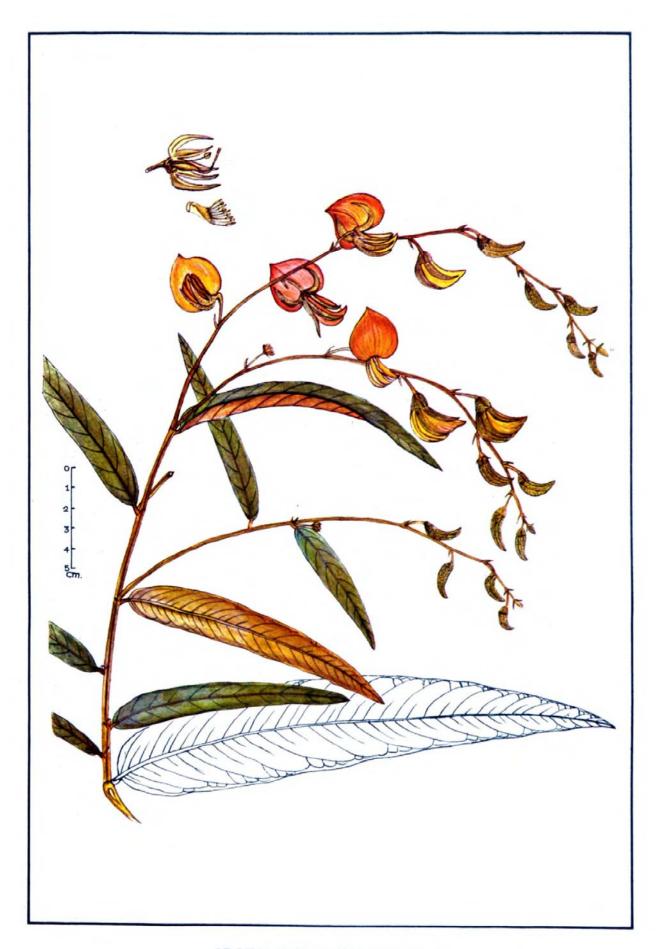
10. CROTALARIA TETRAGONA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect; young shoots four-cornered, villous. Leaves linear, lanceolate, acute. Stipules minute, filiform. Racemes terminal, drooping. Legume sessile, clavate, hairy.

From Nepal Dr. Buchanan sent the seed to this garden in 1802, where the plants grow well, and generally blossom during the hot season; and ripen their seed two months after.

Stem erect, shrubby, with many expanding, drooping, alternate branches; young shoots villous, and four-cornered, whole height of the plants four or five feet, and lasting from two to four years. Leaves alternate, sub-sessile, linear-lanceolate, acute, slightly villous, entire, from two to six inches long, and less than an inch broad. Stipules filiform, minute, villous. Racemes terminal, solitary, drooping, few-flowered. Flowers remote, drooping, large, yellow. Bracts of the pedicel ovate, acute, solitary, one-flowered, those of the calyx, on the opposite sides of its base, and smaller than those of the pedicel. Calyx bilabiate; the upper lip bipartite, the under one three-cleft, but the margins of the segments are united, requiring force to separate them, otherwise it remains entire. Legume sessile, clavate, hairy, many-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 263, 1832)



CROTALARIA TETRAGONA Roxb.

11. INDIGOFERA COERULEA Roxb.

Shrubby, hoary. Leaves pinnate; leaslets four-paired, obovate, emarginate. Racemes rather shorter than the leaves. Legumes reflexed, curved, contracted between the seeds, hoary, from three to four-seeded.

Teling. Karneeli.

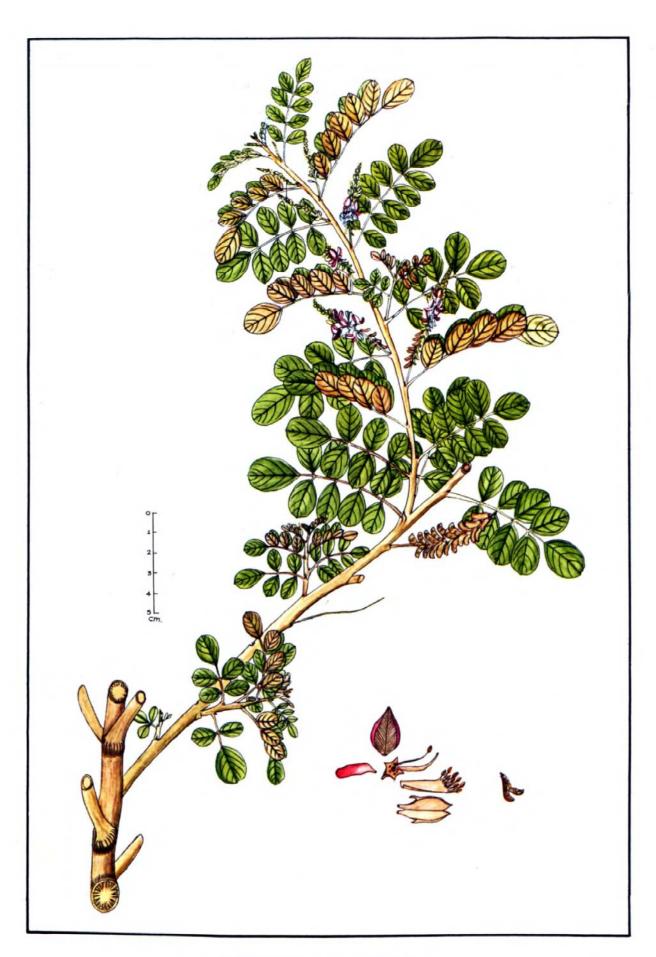
This is an erect shrubby species; growing on dry, barren, uncultivated ground to the height of three feet and higher in good, garden soil. It flowers during the wet and cold seasons.

Stem erect, woody, as thick as a man's thumb or more biennial or triennial, the length very various, but the whole plant, in its wild state, is generally about three feet high; where cultivated in a good soil it is often five or six feet high. Branches many, nearly erect, scattered, striated from the insertion of the leaves, three small ridges running down from each; entirely covered with great numbers of short, depressed, white hairs, which make the plants quite hoary; these may be easily rubbed off, leaving the branches, & c. smooth, clear and green. Leaves alternate, somewhat bifarious, numerous, approximated, pinnate with an odd one; about four inches long. Leaflets short-petioled, opposite, from three to five pairs, pale green, fleshy, the lower smallest, all obcordate, slightly emarginate with a minute bristle, above pretty smooth, but pale coloured: many short depressed white hairs cover the under side, which make it still of a fainter green than the upper side, but nothing like down on any parts of the plant, from one to two inches long, and about three quarters broad. Petioles covered with the same small, depressed, white hairs, channelled. Stipules awled, small. Racemes axillary, sessile, erect, shorter than the leaves, many-flowered. Flowers numerous, small, yellow and red. Calyx; divisions short, acute, equal. Banner and keel hairy; of a greenish-yellow, margins of the former involute. Wings of a pale rose colour, linear-oblong, processes of the keel remarkably large. Legumes numerous, reflexed, falcate, round, short, covered with the same hairs as the branches and contracted a little between the seeds. Seeds generally three, smooth, like those of I. tinctoria.

This species comes near to *Indigofera argentea* Linn. the chief differences are, that in this plant there is a total want of down; the leaves are never ternate, but always composed of from three to five pair of leaflets, with a larger single terminal one; and the legumes are very numerous on the same racemes.

From the leaves of this plant I have often extracted a most beautiful, light Indigo; more so than I ever could from the common Indigo plant, or even from Nerium tinctorium, and in a large proportion. After an enquiry of nearly two years, I have not been able to discover that the natives of any parts of India make use of it. The process by which I obtained the colour from the leaves, was exactly similar to that practised for obtaining the Indigo from the leaves of Nerium tinctorium, viz. by committing them while fresh, to cold water and scalding them over a moderate fire, to about one hundred and sixty degrees of Fahrenheit's thermometer, the liquor will then have attained a beautiful deep greenish yellow colour; it is then strained off clear, and while hot, gently agitated in a broad, shallow, open vessel for a few, (twenty to thirty) minutes; during which time it changes its colour, gradually becoming darker and darker and more turbid when sufficiently agitated, if a little of it be viewed in a clean silver spoon, or any other vessel that reflects the light, a muddiness or minute grain may be easily seen, which is rendered large and copious by the addition of a little lime-water; this foecula readily falls to the bottom, the superincumbent liquor is then poured off and will be more or less of a clear brandy colour, according as the operation has been successfully conducted; for the more this liquor is tinged with green, the less perfectly has the colour been separated; and the produce, of course the more deficient and less beautiful. How to effect the most perfect separation and precipitation of the colour, is the grand desideratum with our Indigo manufacturers and well deserves the chemist's most serious attention.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 377, 1832)



INDIGOFERA COERULEA Roxb.

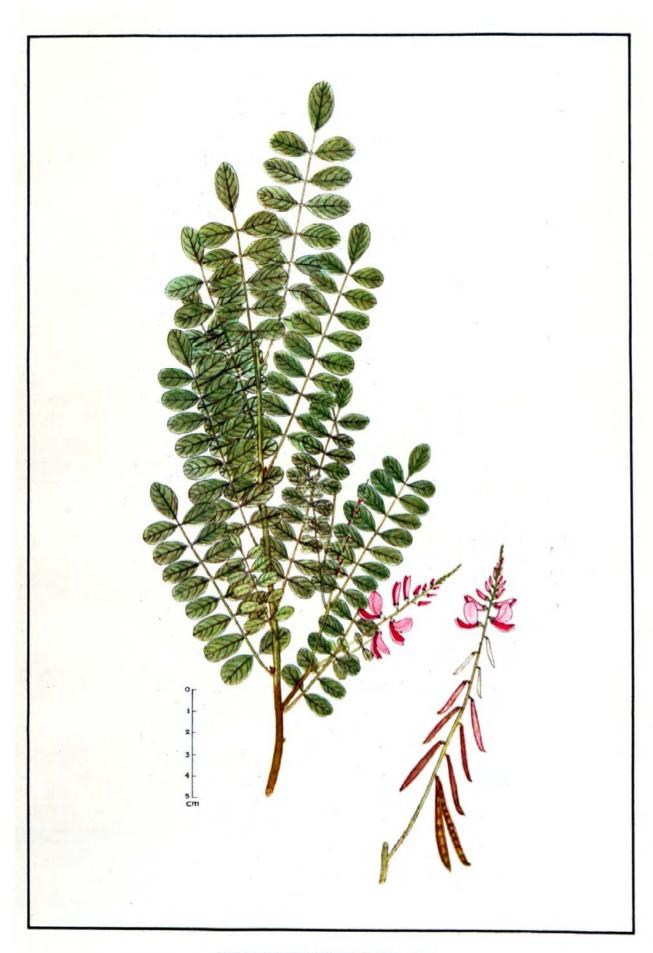
12. INDIGOFERA PULCHELLA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect. Leaves pinnate; leaflets from eight to ten-paired, obovate. Racemes longer than the leaves. Legumes reflexed, straight, smooth, from ten to twelve-seeded.

An erect, ramous shrub.

Stem and branches round, smooth; bark dark rust coloured. Leaves scattered, pinnate, with an odd one, from four to six inches long. Leaflets from eight to ten-paired, obovate, somewhat emarginate with a little bristle, a little hairy, three-fourths of an inch long, by one half broad. Stipules awled, falling off long before the leaves are fully expanded. Racemes axillary, longer than the leaves, short-peduncled. Flowers numerous, large, rose-coloured. Bracts lanceolate, concave, one-flowered, falling. Legumes cylindric, smooth, reflexed, an inch or an inch and a quarter long, from ten to twelve-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 382, 1832)



INDIGOFERA PULCHELLA Roxb.

13. GALEGA INCANA Roxb.

Shrubby, diffuse, flexuose, hoary with white down. Leaflets six pairs, obovate, emarginate, hoary. Stipules taper-triangular. Racemes terminal. Legumes reflexed, falcate, very hairy.

A native of Mysore.

Stem scarcely any, but numerous, flexuose branches, and branchlets, spreading to a considerable extent; young parts clothed with erect, soft, white down. Leaves alternate, pinnate, from three to four inches long. Leaflets from five to eight pairs, obovate, deeply emarginate, hoary, particularly the margins and the lower side. Stipules reflexed by age, triangular, acute. Racemes terminal, long and downy. Bracts three-fold, three-flowered. Flowers short-pedicelled, the middle one of the three expanding long after the other two. Calyx clothed with much fulvous pubescence. Legumes bending back close to the rachis of the racemes, much curved, very hairy, from six to eight-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 385, 1832)



GALEGA INCANA Roxb.

14. ROBINIA CANDIDA Roxb.

Shrubby, erect, unarmed. Leaves unequally pinnate; leaflets ten-paired, lanceolate. Racemes terminal or axillary, pedicels one-flowered. Legumes linear, many-seeded.

This elegant, large shrub, was first reared in the Company's Botanic Garden, from seed collected in the north of Bengal by Dr. Carey. Flowering time the cold season.

Stem erect, ligneous; branches expanding; the young parts villous and clouded with dark and brighter green; the woody parts smoother and ash-coloured; the whole height when full-grown from five to eight feet. Leaves alternate, unequally pinnate, from six to eight inches long. Leaflets opposite, short-petiolated, generally from ten to twelve, linear-lanceolate, entire, dagger-pointed, villous underneath, and on the margins, about two inches long. Petioles villous, channelled. Stipules tapering to a fine long point. Racemes terminal and axillary, short, few-flowered. Pedicels one-flowered, nodding. Bracts small, caducous, flowers large, pure white, inodorous. Banner covered with gray down on the back, pure white and smooth within. Legume linear, many-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 327, 1832)



ROBINIA CANDIDA Roxb.

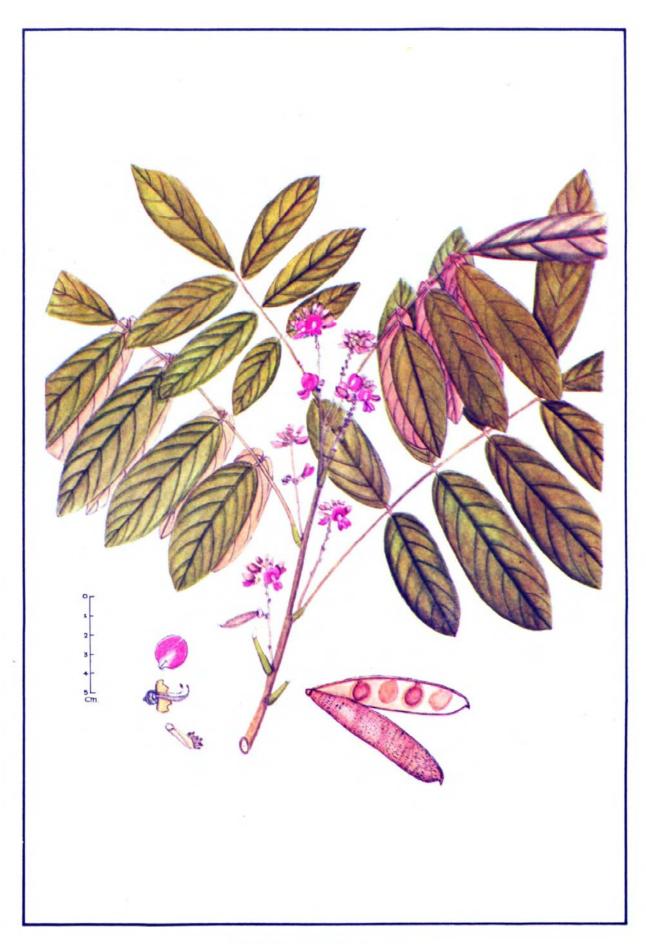
15. ROBINIA FRUTICOSA Roxb.

Shrubby, ultimately twining. Leaflets from three to four pairs with a terminal one, linear oblong. Racemes axillary. Banner with two callosities at the base. Legume flat, from four to six-seeded.

A native of the interior parts of Bengal. From Chupra Mr. Charles Boddam sent seeds to the Botanic Garden in 1803 where the plants blossom during the rains, and ripen their seed in January.

Trunk short. Branches erect, the longest shoots began to twine in plants of four and five years of age, when they were not more than from three to six feet high. Bark of the older ligneous parts somewhat scabrous, that of the tender shoots villous. Leaves alternate, unequally pinnate, from six to twelve inches long. Leaflets from three to five pairs, opposite, linear oblong, those nearest the apex and particularly the terminal one, cuneate, all are entire, obtuse, and nearly smooth on both sides, from two to six inches long, and about one and a half broad. Petioles common, villous and slightly channelled, much swollen at the base. Stipules of the petioles triangular, those of the leaflets subulate. Racenes or rather spikes axillary, generally single, and simple, much shorter than the leaves. Flowers sub-sessile, middle-sized, rose-coloured, always in pairs, from round, elevated glands. Bracts tern, a small and cordate one below each gland which is persistent; and two lateral on the gland, which are caducous; besides there are two to each calyx, which press on its base laterally. Calyx somewhat gibbous, four-toothed, the upper one broader, shorter and emarginate. Banner with two remarkable callosities rising from the base in the inside. Filaments one and nine. Anthers equal, roundish. Germ inserted into a cup-shaped nectary with the filaments. Stigma naked. Legume linear-lanceolate, thin, from four to six-seeded.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 328, 1832)



ROBINIA FRUTICOSA Roxb.

16. ROBINIA RACEMOSA Roxb.

Shrubby, climbing. Leaflets six-paired, with a terminal one; stipules subulate. Racemes nearly as long as the leaves, many-flowered. Legume pendulous. Seed from five to six, remote.

Teling. Galuga.

A large climbing shrub; a native of the extensive forests among the Circar mountains.

Stem woody, climbing over trees, &c. Bark scabrous with a gray roughness. Leaves erect, alternate, pinnate with an odd one, about nine inches long. Leaflets opposite, six pairs, oval, acute, entire, smooth; two inches long and one broad. Petioles round, smooth. Stipules of the petioles and leaflets awled, shorter than the leaves. Racemes axillary, erect; many-flowered. Bracts awled, one-flowered. Flowers numerous, large, rose-coloured. Calyx slightly five-toothed. Banner emarginate. Wings falcate. Nectary, a crenulated cup surrounding the base of the germ, as in some species of Dolichos. Legumes straight, pendulous, from six to nine inches long and as thick as the fore finger, very protuberant at the seeds and perfectly compressed between them. Seeds remote, from five to six, oblong.

I do not know of any use to which any part of this plant is put.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 329, 1832)



ROBINIA RACEMOSA Roxb.

17. ROBINIA SUBEROSA Roxb.

Arboreous; bark suberous, deeply cracked. Racemes terminal; pedicels one-flowered. Leaflets from five to seven paired, with an odd one. Legume linear, many-seeded.

For this beautiful plant we are also indebted to Dr. Carey, who sent the seeds from the district of Dinajpoor, to the Botanic Garden at Calcutta, where it grows well and is in blossom during the rains chiefly.

Trunk erect, soon branching out into a large ramous head, whole height of the plant when full grown eight or nine feet. Bark ash-coloured, that of the trunk deeply split and of a corky nature. Leaves alternate, abruptly pinnate. Leaflets from five to six pairs, opposite, oblong, entire, above smooth, underneath hoary, the largest exterior ones about an inch long. Stipules minute, caducous. Flowers large, of a deep rose-colour, collected on terminal racemes, each furnished with a long pedicel. Calyx four-parted, the upper division more removed and two-pointed. Legume about four inches long, linear, compressed, with six or eight flattened reniform seeds.

It is a very ornamental plant, particularly while young.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 327, 1832)



ROBINIA SUBEROSA Roxb.

18. DALBERGIA MARGINATA Roxb.

Scandent, scabrous. *Leaflets* five or seven, lanceolate, glossy, obtusely acuminate. *Panicle* axillary. *Stamina* one and nine. *Legumes* sub-linear, membrane-margined, one-seeded.

Mukree gilla, the vernacular name in Silhet, where it is indigenous; it blossoms in the rains, and the seed ripens during the hot season.

Stem woody, and with its numerous scabrous branches climbing and twining up and over trees, &c. Leaves alternate, unequally pinnate, from six to ten inches long. Leaflets two or three pairs, and a terminal one, petiolate, lanceolate, entire, points long, narrow, and obtuse, of a firm texture and polished, from four to five inches long, and from one to two broad. Panicles axillary, length of the leaves, and its few remote branches spreading as much. Flowers remote, long, and slender-pedicelled, white. Calyx bowl-shaped, of a deep black purple; mouth obscurely five-toothed. Banner long-clawed, obcordate. Wings and keel long and slender-pedicelled, white. Filaments one and nine. Germ linear, smooth, three-seeded. Stigma rather larger, but smooth. Legumes obliquely-lanceolate, sessile, thin, smooth, hard and veined on the surface, without any kind of crack or fissure, one-celled, one-seeded, about four inches long, and one and a half broad. Seed solitary, reniform, thin, one inch long by three-fourths of an inch broad.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 230, 1832)

GALEDUPA PISCIDIA Roxb.

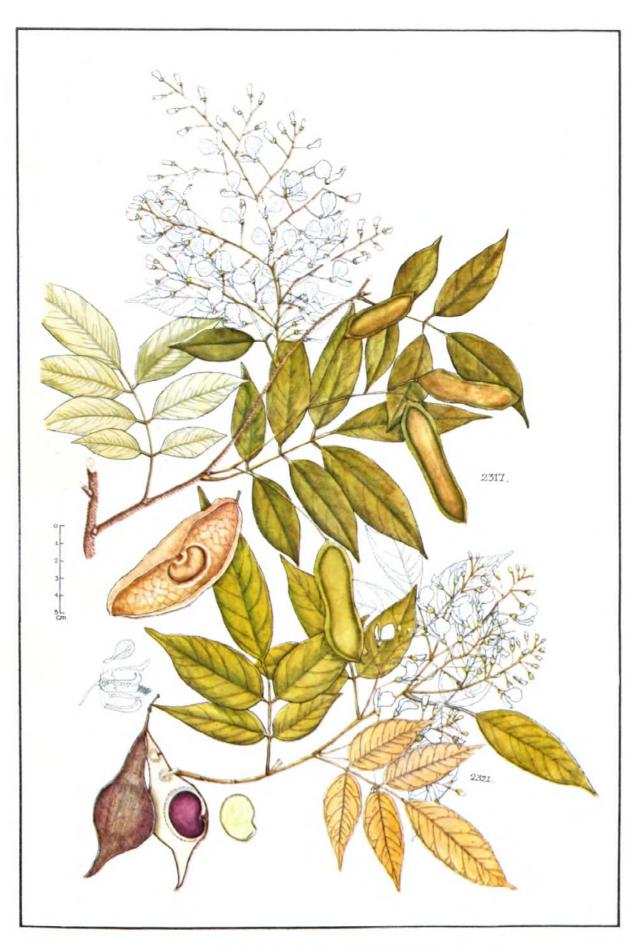
Arboreous, smooth. Leaflets three or five, the pairs opposite, lanceolate. Racemes axillary and terminal, simple, or ramous. Filaments single and nine-cleft.

A small tree, a native of the mountains on the border of Silhet, where it is called *Chundkee* by the natives, who powder the bark and flowers, which they throw into any small body of water, where there are fish they wish to take, by which they are said to be intoxicated and easily caught, and are not reckoned the less wholesome by the effects of the powder.

Flowering time July; seed ripens in the cool seasons.

Twigs slender, and clothed with remarkably white, smooth bark. Leaves alternate, quinate-pinnate and ternate from six to eight inches long. Leaflets three or five, the pairs opposite or nearly so, petiolate, lanceolate, entire, obtusely acuminate, from two to four inches long, and one or one and a half broad. Petioles and petiolets round and smooth. Stipules. Racemes axillary and terminal, frequently ramous near the base, shorter than the leaves, smooth. Flowers pretty large, white, long-pedicelled and always in pairs, rather remote from each other. Calyx campanulate; the upper lip of two rounded segments; the under one of three, and more protruded. Corol papilionaceous; the wings and keel remarkably slender. Filaments one and nine. Germ pedicelled, three or four-seeded. Style incurved. Stigma single. Legume long-pedicelled, differing in shape according to the number of seeds, the most common form is broad-spatulate, or battle-door-shaped with a sharp beak, and then one-seeded; surface pretty smooth and reticulate with veins. Seeds as large as common garden beans, and much like them. Embryo as in the order. Cotyledons green.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 240, 1832)



DALBERGIA MARGINATA Roxb. GALEDUPA PISCIDIA Roxb.

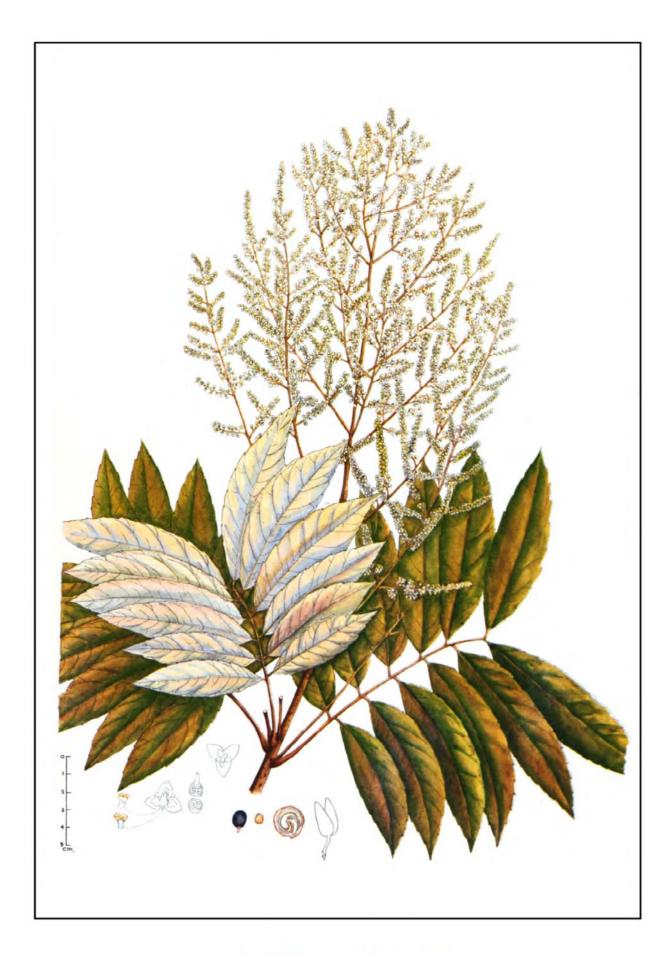
19. MILLINGTONIA PINNATA Roxb.

Leaves alternate, abruptly pinnate; leaflets from six to twelve pairs, sub-opposite, lanceolate.

Batiwa, the vernacular name in Silhet, where it is indigenous, growing to be a middling sized tree, the wood of which is employed by the natives in constructing their houses. Flowers in April and May. The seeds ripen in September.

Branchlets smooth. Leaves alternate, abruptly-pinnate; from six to eighteen inches long. Leaflets from six to twelve pairs, sub-opposite, short-petioled, lanceolate, remotely serrate, acuminate, smooth, three to six inches long, by one or one and a half broad. Panicles terminal, very large and very ramous, a little hairy. Bracts minute. Flowers numerous, small, white. Calyx three-leaved, with two smaller ones under them, which may be called bracts or a calycle; or, the calyx may be called five-leaved. Nectary, from the inside of the base of each petal arises a variously lobed, ragged leaflet or scale, which is incurved over the germ; besides which round the base of the germ is a small, three-sided cup with bidentate angles. Filaments two, opposite, length of the germ, short, broad, with enlarged apex; from the base on the outside, rises a broad, tridentate scale, of about the length of the filament. Anthers twin, each lobe globular, opening transversely on the inside. Germ superior, cordate, two-celled, with two ovula in each cell, attached to the partition. Style short. Stigma small, bidentate. Drupe size of a pea, smooth, black, succulent, one-celled. Nut roundish, thick for its size and very hard, rugose, one-celled, two-valved, with a projection into the cell opposite to the remains of the style on one side near the base, which marks the abortive lobe. Seed solitary, conform to the nut. Integument single, membranaceous. Perisperm none, or in small quantity, and blended with the integument. Embryo curved, and folded up nearly as in the Convolvulaceae. Cotyledons ovate-oblong. Radicle inferior, curved.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 104, 1832)



MILLINGTONIA PINNATA Roxb.

20. MILLINGTONIA SIMPLICIFOLIA Roxb.

Leaves alternate, simple, broad-lanceolate.

A large tree, a native of Silhet, where it is called *Dantrungee* by the natives; the timber is used for various purposes. *Flowers* in February and March; seed ripens in July and August.

Leaves alternate, petioled, broad-lanceolar, tapering most toward the base, entire or very remotely sub-serrate, in very young plants completely serrate, rather acuminate, smooth; veins simple and paralleled; from six to twelve inches long, by three or four broad. Panicle terminal, large, oblong, patent, brown, villous branches. Flowers numerous, sessile, very minute, yellow. Bracts oblong, clothed with ferruginous pubescence. Calyx three-leaved, independently of two or three minute, villous bracts, like a calycle; leaflets ovate, smooth, permanent. Petals three, broad-ovate, waved, twice the length of the calyx, permanent. Nectary a variously lobed, smooth scale from the base of each petal on the inside, they form a dome over the pistillum, and round the base of the germ is found a flat, triangular body, with its angles bidentate. Filaments two, opposite, incurved, inserted without the interior, three-angular nectary; bifid, the inner lamina supporting on its apex a patelliform receptacle, on which the two-lobed yellow anther rests. Exterior lamina bi-fid, segments subulate, rising rather higher than the anther. Germ superior, two-celled, with two ovula in each, attached to the thickened middle of the partition. Style single, short. Stigma obscurely two-lobed. Drupe size of a pea, nearly round, succulent, smooth, black, one-celled. Nut conform to the drupe, rarely more than one-celled, hard, cell somewhat angular; the second or abortive cell always traceable. Seed solitary, concave on the side next the abortive cell of the nut, hemispheric on the other. Integument single, membranaceous. Perisperm none. Embryo curved, and doubled. as in the Convolvulaceae, with a curved inferior radicle.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 103, 1832)



MILLINGTONIA SIMPLICIFOLIA Roxb.

21. RHUS PARVIFLORUM Roxb.

Subarboreous; all the tender parts very downy. Leaves ternate; leaflets sessile, obovate, anterior margins serrate-crenate. Panieles terminal.

A small bushy tree, a native of Nepal, from thence introduced into the Botanic Garden at Calcutta where it blossoms during the rainy season.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 100, 1832)



RHUS PARVIFLORUM Roxb.

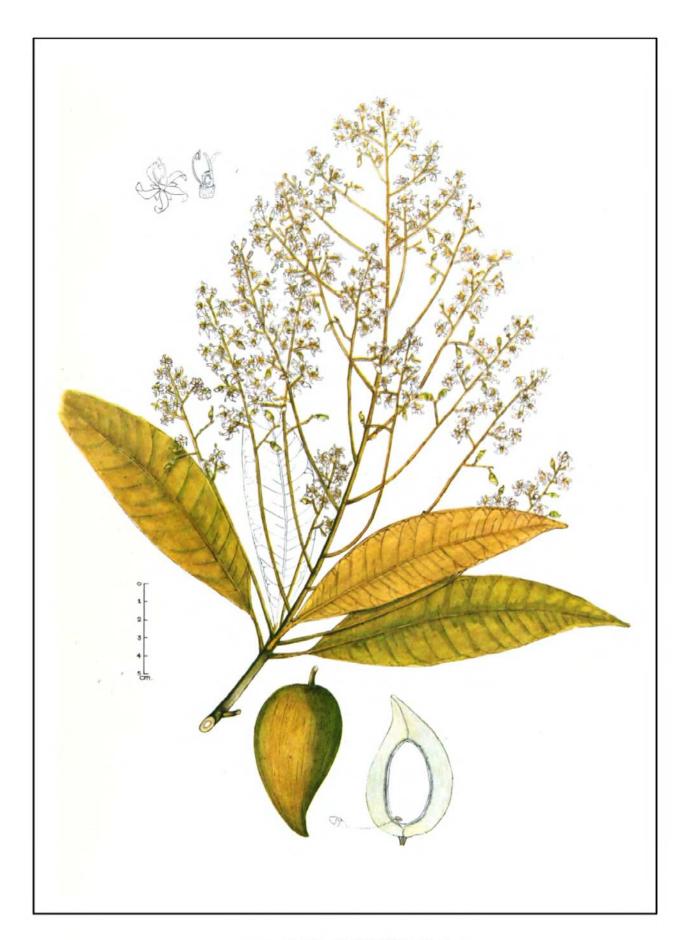
22. MANGIFERA SYLVATICA Roxb.

Leaves alternate, lanceolar, glossy. Panicles terminal. Flowers monandrous. Drupe obliquely conic, with the pointed apex turned one side.

Lukshmee am, the vernacular name in Silhet; on the mountains adjoining to that district it grows to be a tall tree of great size. Flowering time October; the fruit ripens in February and March, and is eaten by the natives, though by no means so palatable as even a bad domestic mango, they also dry them and keep them for medicinal purposes.

Leaves as in the common cultivated sorts, alternate, petioled, lanceolar, entire and smooth; from six to eight inches long, by one and a half or two broad. Panicles terminal, much larger than in the domestic sorts, and with the numerous ramifications more erect and slender. Flowers very numerous, small, white, with a faint shade of pink; they are more completely monandrous than any of the cultivated sorts. Calyx five-leaved, many times shorter than the corols. Petals five, linear, spreading, and finally becoming somewhat twisted and revolute. Nectary a short, solid, turbinate, slightly grooved, villous receptacle for the germ to rest on. In the domestic sorts it is composed of five distinct glands, which embrace the base of the germ. Filament single, inserted into the pot of the nectary, incurved, length of the pistillum. Anther oval. Germ elevated on the above-mentioned nectary or receptacle, unequally oval, smooth, one-celled; ovulum single, attached to that side of the cell from whence the style rises, and most remote from the stamina. Style subulate, length of the filament, incurved, after fecundation recurved. Stigma simple, acute. Drupe ovate, obliquely acuminate, smooth, when ripe yellow, like the common mango and nearly as large, one-celled. Nut oblong, less fibrous than in the common sorts, and also less firm, with an even surface. Seeds solitary, conform to the nut. Integument single. Perisperm none. Embryo between erect and transverse. Cotyledons equal, conform to the seed. Radicle lodged between the cotyledons on one side of their base, pointing out, and rather upward.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 1: 644, 1832)



MANGIFERA SYLVATICA Roxb.

23. BUCHANANIA ANGUSTIFOLIA Roxb.

Arboreous. Leaves linear-oblong, apex rounded.

A native of the south end of the Peninsula of India. Flowers in June, and the fruit takes nearly one year to come to maturity.

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



BUCHANANIA ANGUSTIFOLIA Roxb.

24. BUCHANANIA LATIFOLIA Roxb.

Arboreous. Leaves oval.

Sans. and Beng. Piyala, the name of the tree.

Hind. Peeyar, Peeyal, Piyala.

Sans. Chirika, the name of the fruit.

Beng. Chirongi, the name of the fruit, as sold in the Bazars.

Teling. Charoo-mamudee.

Mowdo, or Kati mango-marum of the Tamuls. It must have been the Telinga and Tamul names, which induced Konig to call this tree Mangifera silvestris.

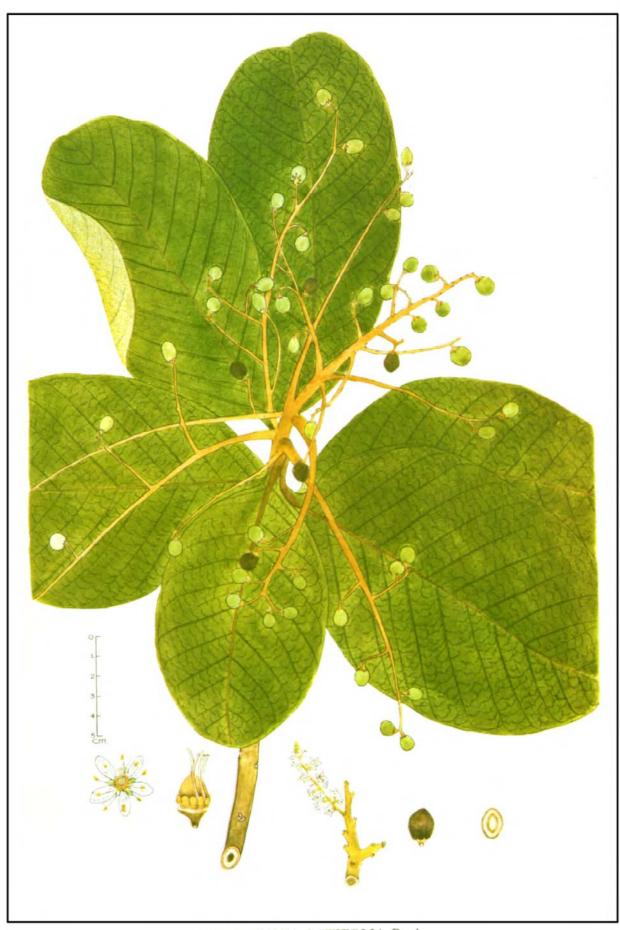
Larmzon. Buch. in Asiat. Res. 5. p. 123.

A large tree, a native of the mountainous parts of the coast. It flowers in January and February.

Trunk straight, thick, and of a great height. Bark scabrous. Branches numerous, spreading in every direction. Leaves alternate, though sometimes three-fold, short-petioled, oval, oblong, or obovate, obtuse, entire, of a hard texture, pretty smooth, above scabrous, below softer, six or seven inches long, and about four broad. Stipules none. Panicles terminal, and from the exterior axils, erect, branchy, conical. Bracts small, caducous. Flowers very numerous, small, of a whitish green. Calyx inferior, five-toothed, permanent. Petals five, oblong, spreading. Nectary double; exterior, a fleshy, ten-notched yellow ring surrounding the base of the germ; interior, consisting of four subulate bodies, placed on one side of the germ, and within the exterior ring; they are about as long as the whole pistil, and look like four additional styles. Filaments ten, equal, spreading nearly as long as the petals, inserted into the outside of the base of the exterior nectary. Anthers ovate. Germ conical, hairy, one-celled, containing, one ovula, attached to the bottom of the cell by a long curved cord, which takes nearly a turn round the ovula, and enters it on the middle of the opposite side. Style subulate. Stigma simple. Drupe size of a cherry, a little compressed, smooth, when ripe, black. Nut very hard, one-celled, two-valved. Seed solitary covered with a double integument. Perisperm none. Embryo transverse.

The wood of this tree is used for various purposes and the kernels are a very general substitute for almonds, amongst the natives.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 385, 1832)



BUCHANANIA LATIFOLIA Roxb.

25. ODINA WODIER Roxb.

Sans. Jeevula.

Beng. Jiyal.

Teling. Gampina.

Hind. Kushmulla, Kashmulla, Kimul, &c.

It is a very large tree, a native of most mountainous parts of the coast, Bengal, &c. it is also frequently found in a cultivated state, chiefly about Madras where the sides of the roads are lined with them. It grows readily from cuttings, which is I believe, the chief inducement for employing it; for it is without leaves from the beginning of the year, till April or May, a season when shade is particularly wanted, for after that the weather, in general, becomes more clouded. Flowering time March and April, when it is perfectly naked of leaves. Nor could the flowers be any inducement to have it near the houses; in short there is nothing in its favour, but its growing easily and quickly.

The following description is taken from the tree in its wild state amongst the Circar mountains.

Trunk straight to the branches, of no great height but very thick. Bark pretty smooth, ash-coloured. Branches numerous, the lower spreading, the upper ones disposed in every direction. In a cultivated state it is generally pruned very close once in two or three years, which makes the branches shoot more erect, but takes away from the native beauty of the tree, and renders the shade when in foliage much less extensive, than in its natural state. Leaves alternate, about the ends of the branchlets, pinnate with an odd one, from twelve to eighteen inches long. Leaflets generally three or four pairs, opposite, sessile, oblong, ovate, pointed, smooth, entire; about five inches long, and two broad, the exterior ones largest. Racemes terminal, filiform, pendulous if long, which they generally are, if short spreading. Bracts minute, falling. Flowers small, purple, inodorous.

In general the *Hermaphrodite* and *Male* flowers (there are no other sort that ever I saw) are on the same tree and even mixed on the same racemes; the male are by far the most numerous; sometimes but rarely they are on a separate tree

HERMAPHRODITE. Calyx four-toothed, small, permanent. Petals four, oblong, concave, spreading. Filaments eight, spreading, rather shorter than the petals. Anthers ovate. Germ superior, oblong, one-celled, containing one ovula, attached to the top of the cell. Styles four, short, erect. Stigmas simple. Drupe kidneyform, smooth, the size of a large french bean, when ripe red, one-celled. Nut the shape of the berry, one-celled. Seed conform to the nut; no perisperm. Embryo inverse, curved.

MALE. Calyx, corol and stamens as in the hermaphrodite. Pistil the rudiments of a germ, with a short, four-toothed style.

The wood of old trees is close grained, of a deep reddish mahogany colour towards the centre. This coloured part is serviceable for many uses and looks well. The white wood is fit for no use that I know of.

From wounds in the bark there issues a gum, which, when dry, is much like pieces of dry glue; but I know of no use it is put to.

This is the tree Dr. Anderson calls Wodur in his miscellanies.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 293, 1832)



ODINA WODIER Roxb.

26. HOLIGARNA LONGIFOLIA Roxb.

Cattu-tsjeru, or Kattou-tjeroe. Rheed. Mal. 4. p. 19t. 9.

Leaves alternate, cuneiform, some inoffensive subulate bodies on the inside of the short petiole. Flowers panicled.

A large tree, a native of the mountainous parts of Chittagong, where it blossoms in January. Seed ripens in May and June.

Dr. Buchanan first found the male tree in Chittagong, and some years after found the female hermaphrodite in Malabar, and gave it the name Holigarna, from its appellation in the language of Kurnata. He thinks it is the variety called Bibo of the Cattu-tsjeru, Rheed. Mal. 4.t.9. And says the natives of Malabar by incision, extract an exceedingly acrid juice, with which they varnish their targets. I am however inclined to consider Van. Rheed's Cattu-tsjeroe to be this very tree, and his Bibo, or Tsjeeroo, vol. 4. p. 20 to be Semecarpus Anacardium.

Trunk straight, in a twelve years old male tree ten inches in circumference. Bark smooth, ash-coloured. Branches patent; height of the whole tree twenty-five feet. In its native soil the trunk attains to the thickness of six feet in circumference; while the total height of the tree is above fifty. Leaves alternate, crowded about the ends of the branchlets, short-petioled, narrow, cuneiform, entire, acute, smooth on both sides, but paler underneath; length one or two feet, and the breadth from three to six inches. Petioles short and thick, and armed generally with two subulate, inoffensive, incurved, thorn-like bodies on each side of the margin. Stipules no other than the last mentioned subulate bodies, on the petioles.

MALE. Panicles axillary, single, much shorter than the leaves. Flowers numerous, small, dull white. Bracts small, ferruginous. Calyx five-sided; angles somewhat sharp. Corol flat, to the base five-parted, or it may be called five-petalled. Segments oblong, villous. Filaments five, shorter than the corol. Anthers incumbent.

Female-Hermaphrodite on a separate tree. Panicles, bracts, calyx and corol as in the male. Stamina as in the male, but much smaller, and with minute, seemingly abortive anthers. Germ inferior, a little hairy, with one compressed cell containing one compressed ovula, attached to one side of the top of its cell. Styles three, recurved. Stigmas crescent-shaped, a little hairy. Berry inferior, naked, exactly ovate, a little compressed, size of a large olive, smooth, when ripe yellow, one-celled, evalvular. Cortex rather thick, and containing between its soft lamina, numerous cells, filled with a black, rather thick, acrid fluid as in the common marking nut, or Anacardium. Seed conform to the berry. Integument single, membranaceous. Perisperm none. Embryo conform to the seed, transverse. Cotyledons equal, ovate, yellowish. Corcle lateral. Plumula hairy, acute. Radicle oblong, inverse, attached to one edge of the cotyledons, considerably below their apex and corresponding with the attachment of the ovula in the germ.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 80, 1832)



HOLIGARNA LONGIFOLIA Roxb.

27. SPONDIAS AXILLARIS Roxb.

 $\label{lem:leading} \textit{Leaflets} \;\; \text{from six to eight pairs, ovate-lanceolate, gash-serrate cuspidate.} \\ \textit{Peduncles} \;\; \text{axillary, few-flowered.} \;\; \textit{Nut} \;\; \text{oval, smooth.}$

A small beautiful *Melia* looking tree, a native of Nepal. In the Botanic Garden at Calcutta it flowers in March, and the seed ripens about the close of the rains.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 2: 453, 1832)



SPONDIAS AXILLARIS Roxb.

28. CONNARUS PANICULATUS Roxb.

Arboreous. Leaves pinnate; leaflets five or seven, ovate, oblong, obtusely acuminate, glossy. Panicles terminal and axillary; flowers decandrous; petals linear (without bristles at the base).

A large timber tree, a native of Chittagong, where it blossoms in June.

Young shoots clothed with a little ferruginous down. Leaves alternate, unequally-pinnate, about twelve inches long. Leaflets five or seven, rarely three, the pairs sub-opposite, ovate-oblong, entire, obtuse-pointed; smooth and glossy, from three to six inches long, and from one to two broad. Petioles round and smooth. Panicles terminal and generally a smaller one in many of the exterior axils, large, diffuse, and clothed with rust-coloured pubescence. Bracts small, caducous, villous, like the rest of the panicle. Calyx five-leaved; leaflets oblong, concave. Petals five, alternate with the leaflets of the calyx, and larger, linearly-lanceolar, yellow, entire, nothing like a bristle or hair from any part, hence I conclude it cannot be Willdenow's C. pinnatus. Filaments ten, united at the base, alternately as long as the style. Anthers cordate. Germ superior, conical, hairy; one-celled, containing two ovula, attached a little to one side of the bottom of the cell. Style hairy, of the length of the five longest filaments. Stigma somewhat headed.

(W. Roxburgh, Flora Indica 3: 139, 1832)



CONNARUS PANICULATUS Roxb.