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FLORA OF PANAMA¹

Part VI

FAMILY 114. TILIACEAE²

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Trees or shrubs, infrequently herbs, mucilaginous, generally with stellate hairs, sometimes with simple hairs or lepidote. Leaves alternate, rarely opposite, simple, entire to more or less deeply lobed, generally stipulate, the stipules usually paired, equal or not and often fugacious. Inflorescences axillary or terminal, rarely oppositifolious, cymose or paniculate or flowers solitary, sometimes cauliflorous. Flowers generally bracteolate, small or large, hermaphrodite, sometimes imperfect, generally actinomorphous, sometimes calyculate; calyx usually valvate, seldom imbricate, gamo- or polysepalous, the sepals (2-3-)4-5(-6-8), caducous, persistent or accrescent; petals 4-5, sometimes sepaloid, rarely absent, contorted, imbricate or valvate, usually free, often glandular at the base; stamens inserted on the receptacle or on a gonophore, usually numerous, rarely 10 or less, sometimes partially staminodial in the hermaphrodite flowers, staminodial or absent in the pistillate ones, free or shortly connate at the base into a tube or into 5 or 10 phalanges; anthers usually 2-thecate, longitudinally dehiscent or apically porose; pollen generally 3-colporate, with reticulate or tegillate sexine; gynoecium with (1-)2-5(-10) syncarpous carpels, infrequently with 5-6 apocarpous carpels; ovary usually superior, rarely subinferior to inferior, sessile on the receptacle or on the gonophore, sometimes borne on a gynophore, (1-)2- to many-celled (cells sometimes divided by false partitions), with (1-)2-many ovules in each cell and generally with axile placentation, infrequently with parietal placentation; ovules

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anatropous; style usually simple; stigma entire or more or less 2- to 10-divided. *Fruit* baccate, drupaceous or capsular, smooth or spinose, sometimes alate, variously dehiscent or indehiscent, rarely divided into cocci; seeds 1-many, the testa sometimes alate, pilose or arillate; albumen abundant or scanty; embryo straight or slightly curved; cotyledons foliaceous, seldom carnose.

A family of about 50 genera chiefly of tropical distribution, but with some extensions into the temperate regions; nine genera are represented in Panama, while two others occur in Central America, namely: *Carpodiptera* Griseb. and *Christiana* DC. The bast of many species yields a good fibre, as for example the hemp or jute produced by some species of *Corchorus*.

- a. Stipules equal, not peltate; perianth and androecium hypoginous; sepals without appendages or with a small apical appendage only; ovary superior.
 - b. Fruit unarmed.
 - c. Petals glandular-thickened within at the base.
 - d. Petals longer or somewhat shorter than the sepals; capsules.

 - ee. Flowers imperfect, without calycle; petals somewhat shorter than the sepals; gonophore present; capsules coriaceous, compressed contrary to the partition, loculicidally 2-valvate; seeds long-ciliate along the margins2. Trichospermum
 - cc. Petals eglandular; flowers hermaphrodite.
 - f. Capsules chartaceous or coriaceous-chartaceous, elongate, siliquelike, loculicidally 2- or 3-valvate; seeds not arillate4. Corchorus
 - bb. Fruit armed with spines or bristles.

 - gg. Flowers hermaphrodite or pistillate; anthers without appendage; fruit capsular, less than 2 cm. in diam.
- aa. Stipules unequal, one filiform, the other large, peltate and foliaceous; perianth and androecium subepiginous; sepals provided along the margins and at the apex with long filiform appendages; overy subinferior to inferior9. DICRASPIDIA

1. LUEHEA Willd.

LUEHEA Willd., Gesells. Naturf. Freunde Berlin, Neue Schr. 3: 410. 1801.

Alegria Moç. & Sesse ex DC., Prodr. 1:516. 1824. Brotera Vell., Fl. Flum. 302. 1825, Fl. Flum. Ic. 7: t.163-164. 1835.

Trees or tall shrubs, the trunk sometimes buttressed, the pubescence of stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, shortly petiolate, the stipules paired and mostly deciduous, the blade usually serrate, 3- to 5-palminerved. Inflorescences axillary or terminal, cymose or thyrsiform, sometimes flowers solitary. Flowers hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, pedicellate, bracteolate, calyculate, the bractlets 9-17, sometimes more or less long-connate at the base, mostly deciduous or rarely persistent; calyx valvate, the sepals 5, free or rarely shortly connate at the base, deciduous; petals 5, free, imbricate, longer than the sepals, glandular-thickened within at the base; stamens numerous, shortly 5- to 10-adelphous, the phalanges seldom united into a very short staminal tube, the outer stamens staminodial; anthers 2-thecate, extrorse, more or less medifixus, versatile or seldom erect, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, usually sessile, infrequently very short-stipitate, 5-celled, the cells manyovulate; style simple, thick, somewhat enlarged near the apex; stigma capitate. Capsules ligneous, imperfectly loculicidally 5-valvate; seeds numerous, small, the testa crustaceous, expanded above into a large membranous wing; albumen carnose; embryo straight; cotyledons plane, foliaceous.

A neotropical genus of about 20 species; three species are found in Central America and Panama.

- aa. Flowers in axillary or terminal panicles; bractlets 9, free.
 - b. Flowers ca. 3.2 cm. long; capsule more or less 5-angled, 3-3.5 cm. long
 2. L. SPECIOSA
- 1. Luehea candida (Moç. & Sesse ex DC.) Mart. & Zucc. in Mart., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 1: 102. 1826; Johnston, Sargentia 8: 192. 1949.

Alegria candida Moç. & Sesse ex DC., Prodr. 1:517. 1824. Luehea mexicana Spach, Hist. Nat. Veg. 4:42. 1835. Luehea scabrifolia Presl, Epimeliae Botanicae 212. 1849. Luehea endopogon Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 31(1):225. 1858. Luehea nobilis Linden & Planchon, Pl. Columb. 52. 1863.

Tree, small, or sometimes large shrub, 5-20 m. high, deciduous, the trunk attaining 25-30 cm. in diam., the crown broad, the branchlets ferruginous-arachnoid. Leaves thick-petiolate, the petiole 0.6-1 cm. long, tomentellous, the stipules elliptic, long-acuminate, up to 1.4-2 cm. long and villous-puberulous especially without, the blade broadly elliptic, more or less rounded and sometimes somewhat cordate at the base, acuminate at the apex, 8-22 cm. long and 6-16 cm. wide, the margins

coarsely or finely serrate, green and sparsely scabrous above, grayish or whitish and more or less densely arachnoid beneath, 3-palminerved, the nervation prominent especially beneath. Flowers solitary (sometimes geminate?), large, 4.7-5.3 cm. long, the pedicel terete, enlarged at the apex, 1-2 cm. long, tomentellous; bractlets 10-17, more or less long-connate at the base, narrowly oblong-lanceolate, dorsal-carinate, long-acuminate, up to 3.3-4.5 cm. long and 0.5 cm. wide, fleshy, tomentellous without, densely sericeous within, persistent; sepals oblong-lanceolate, shortly connate at the base, acute at the apex, up to 4.2-4.6 cm. long and 1.25 cm. wide, fleshy, tomentellous outside, glabrous inside except the sericeous base; petals spatulate-obovate, acuminate or acute, up to 4.7-5.3 cm. long and 2.5-3 cm. wide, white or cream-colored, glabrous except the hirsute base; stamens shortly 5-adelphous, the phalanges connate into a very short staminal tube, sericeous to hirsute on the lower part; anthers oblong, ca. 2.5 mm. long; ovary shortly stipitate, the gynophore ca. 1 mm. long, ovoid, deeply 5-sulcate, ca. 0.5 cm. long and 0.55 cm. in diam., densely sericeous; style ca. 1.8 cm. long, tomentellous; stigma capitate, obscurely 5-lobulate. Capsule very ligneous, deeply 5-sulcate and prominently 5-angled, rounded at the base, acute at the apex, 6-7 cm. long and ca. 3.5 cm. in diam., tomentellous when young to glabrate when mature; seeds more or less elliptic, flattened, ca. 6 mm. long and 3 mm. wide, the wing 15 mm. long and 6 mm. wide.

Along the Pacific slope from Mexico to Panama, northern Colombia and Venezuela; mostly on dry, thin soils on woody or brushy hillsides, sometimes along stream beds.

COCLÉ: between Aguadulce and Antón, ca. 15-50 m., Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1203. LOS SANTOS: LOS SANTOS: LOS SANTOS. PANAMA: San José Island, Erlanson 455, 463, Johnston 153

2. Luehea speciosa Willd., Gesells. Naturf. Freunde Berlin, Neue Schr. 3: 410, t.5. 1801.

Luehea platypetala A. Rich., Bot., Pl. Vasc. in Ramon de la Sagra, Hist. Phys. Pol. Nat. Cuba 212. 1845, t.23 1850(?).

Luehea ferruginea Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 31(1):224. 1958.

Tree, medium-sized, sometimes shrub, 5-18(-20) m. high, deciduous, the trunk attaining 50 cm. in diam., the crown spreading, the branchlets ferruginous-puberulous. Leaves thick-petiolate, the petiole 1-1.2 cm. long, densely arachnoid, the blade elliptic, sometimes narrowly elliptic, rounded to more or less cordate and slightly asymmetric at the base, acuminate at the apex, 10-18 cm. long and 4.3-11 cm. wide, subcoriaceous, the margins coarsely serrate, green and sparsely scabrous above, whitish or grayish and loosely arachnoid beneath, 3-palminerved, the nervation prominent beneath. Inflorescences in axillary or terminal panicles. Flowers ca. 3.2 cm. long, the pedicel terete, 1.5-3.5 cm. long, shortly tomentellous; bractlets 9(-10), free, narrowly oblong-lanceolate, acute, 1.8-2 cm. long and 0.35-0.4 cm. wide, fleshy, shortly tomentellous on both sides, deciduous; sepals free, oblong-lanceolate, acute, ca. 2.9 cm. long and 0.75-0.9 cm. wide, fleshy, shortly tomentellous without, glabrous within; petals obovate, rounded, 3.1-3.2 cm.

long and 1.1-1.3 cm. wide, glabrous except the inner villous base; stamens shortly 5-adelphous, hirsute on the lower part, the staminodes ca. 10 mm. long and connate at the base; anthers ca. 1 mm. long; ovary sessile, oblong-ovoid, slightly 5-sulcate, ca. 0.6 cm. long and 0.4 cm. in diam., densely sericeous; style ca. 1.5 cm. long, more or less tomentellous on the lower part; stigma capitate. *Capsule* hard-ligneous, oblong, more or less 5-angled, rounded at the base, obtuse at the apex, 3-3.5 cm. long and 1.2-1.6 cm. in diam., tomentose; seeds ellipsoid, flattened, ca. 4-5 mm. long and 2-2.5 mm. in diam., the wing ca. 5 mm. long and 4 mm. wide.

Tropical Central America, Cuba, Colombia and Brazil; in open sunlight, on edges of pastures, in dry or sometimes more or less moist thickets and forests.

CANAL ZONE: around Culebra, alt. 50-150 m., Pittier 2141, 4811; Chiva-Chiva trail, Red Tank to Pueblo Nuevo, Piper 5717; Balboa, Johansen 4, Standley 25583, 26986; Balboa, near the Baptist Church, Harvey 5025; Ancon Hill, J.M. & M.T. Greenman 5086; Hospital Grounds at Ancon, 20-30 m., Pittier 2731; vicinity of Miraflores, P. & G. White 58; drowned forest of Quebrada Bonita and along its branches, 70-80 m., Dodge, Steyermark & Allen 17174; locality unknown, Harvey 5139. coclé: Penonomé and vicinity, R.S. Williams 209, 1153. colón: between France Field, Canal Zone and Catival, Standley 30412. HERRERA: vicinity of Ocú, 100 m., Allen 4093. Panama: near Panama, Sargent 23; Río Tapía, Standley 28080; along road between Panama and Chepo, Dodge, Hunter, Steyermark & Allen 16642; Taboga Island, Bro. Celestine 39, MacBride 2828; San José Island, Johnston 1283.

3. Luehea Seemannii Triana & Planchon, Ann. Sci. Nat., Bot., ser. 4, 17: 348. 1862; Johnston, Sargentia 8: 193. 1949.—Fig. 1.

Tree, tall, commonly 15-30 m. high or even more, evergreen, the trunk attaining 2 m. in diam., often strongly buttressed, the buttresses up to 2 m. in height, the branchlets tomentose. Leaves rather thick-petiolate, the petiole 0.8-1.3 cm. long and ca. 0.2-0.3 cm. in diam., tomentellous, the blade oblong or oblong-elliptic, sometimes slightly oblong-obovate, rounded and asymmetric at the base, acuminate at the apex, 7-40 cm. long and 3-15.5 cm. wide, subcoriaceous, the margins irregularly and acutely serrate especially above the middle, green and loosely arachnoid to glabrescent above, brownish-arachnoid beneath, 3(-4)-palminerved, the nervation prominent beneath. Inflorescences of axillary or terminal thyrses. Flowers rather small, ca. 1.3 cm. long, the pedicel 0.9-1.2 cm. long and shortly tomentellous; bractlets 9, free, narrowly elliptic, acute, ca. 7 mm. long and 1.25-2 mm. wide, fleshy, shortly tomentellous on both sides, deciduous; sepals free, oblong-lanceolate, acute, ca. 11 mm. long and 3.5 mm. wide, fleshy, shortly tomentellous without, glabrous within; petals spatulate, ca. 13 mm. long and 4.5 mm. wide, white or yellow, glabrous except the inner minutely hirsute base; stamens 5-adelphous, the phalanges ca. 9 mm. long, the united base of each phalanx ca. 2-2.5 mm. long and shortly tomentellous; anthers ca. 1 mm. long; ovary sessile, pyriform, deeply 5-sulcate, ca. 4.5 mm. long and 3.5 mm. in diam., densely sericeous; style ca. 5 mm. long, shortly tomentellous; stigma capitate and obscurely 5-lobulate. Capsule ligneous, narrowly elliptic, contracted towards both ends, deeply 5-sulcate and with 5 prominent angles, 2-2.5 cm. long and ca. 1 cm. in diam., shortly brownish-tomentellous; seeds more or less oblong, ca. 2.5-3 mm. long and 1 mm. wide, the wing ca. 8 mm. long and 3 mm. wide.

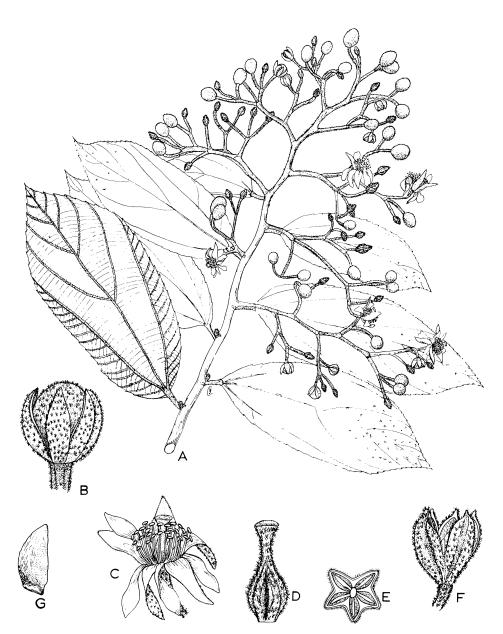


Figure 1. Luehea Seemannii Triana & Planchon: A, flowering branch (\times ½); B, flowerbud (\times 3); C, flower (\times 1½); D, gynoecium (\times 3); E, cross-section of ovary (\times 3); F, capsule (\times 1); G, seed (\times 2).

A giant tree dispersed throughout tropical Central America and in Colombia; common in wet lowland forests along streams.

BOCAS DEL TORO: region of Almirante, Cooper 19a; Changuinola Valley, Cooper & Slater 19, Dunlap 47; Isla Colón, von Wedel 40; Old Bank Island, vicinity of Chiriquí Lagoon, von Wedel 1967. CANAL ZONE: along banks of Quebrada Fea, Q. Pura and Cañon of River Chagres, 70-100 m., Dodge & Allen 17407; Gatun, Hayes 467, 819, Ostenfeld 56; near Gatun, Goldman 1862; along the Chagres River below Gatun, near sea level, Pittier 2812; Barro Colorado Island, Bangham 380, Brown 64, 183, Shattuck 745, Wetmore & Abbe 152, Wilson 18, Woodworth & Vestal 336, 446, 513; Río Grande, near Culebra, alt. 50-100 m., Pittier 2523; near Miraflores, J.M. & M.T. Greenman 5175; vicinity of Río Cocoli, Road K-9, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 34; vicinity of Corozal, Piper 5300; Curundu, Harvey 5231; Hospital Grounds at Ancon, alt. 20-30 m., Pittier 2732. COLÓN: between France Field, Canal Zone and Catival, Standley 30360; Río Gatuncillo, vicinity of Santa Rosa, alt. 25 m., Allen 4157. DARIEN: Marraganti and vicinity, R. S. Williams 635; vicinity of Pinogana, 20 m., Allen 4291; vicinity of El Real. Río Tuira, on trail between El Real and Pinogana, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 283. HERRERA: vicinity of Ocú, 100 m., Allen 4095. PANAMA: vicinity of Arraijan, Allen 1626; Agricultural Experiment Station at Matias Hernández, Pittier 6928; Juan Díaz, Standley 30560; near Chepo, Kluge 24; San José Island, Johnston 506, 633, 1222, 1380. VERAGUAS: locality unknown, Seemann s.n. (type). PROVINCE UNKNOWN: Hayes 978, 1031.

2. TRICHOSPERMUM Blume

TRICHOSPERMUM Blume, Bijdr. Fl. Ned. Ind. 56. 1825.

Eroteum Blanco, Fl. Filip. ed. 1, 440. 1837.

Belotia A. Rich., Bot., Pl. Vasc. in Ramon de la Sagra, Hist. Phys. Pol. Nat. Cuba 207. 1845.

Diclidocarpus A. Gray, Bot., Phanerog. in U. S. Expl. Exped., 1838-42, **15**: 200. 1854. Bixagrewia Kurz, Jour. Bot. **13**: 325. 1875. Halconia Merrill, Philipp. Jour. Sci. **2**: 281. 1907.

Trees, the pubescence of stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, petiolate, stipulate, the stipules large and deciduous, the blade entire or serrate to serrulate, 3-palminerved. Inflorescences unisexual or androgynous, of axillary or terminal panicles or umbelliform cymes. Flowers imperfect, actinomorphous, pedicellate, bracteolate, the bractlets caducous, (4-)5-merous; calyx valvate, the sepals free; petals free, imbricate, somewhat shorter than the sepals, glandular-thickened within at the base, rounded to more or less lobulate at the apex; gonophore naked, crowned by an undulate and densely velutinous urceolus surrounding the base of the stamens; stamens numerous, staminodial in the female flowers, the filaments free; anthers 2-thecate, introrse, medifixus, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile, 2(-3)celled, rudimentary in the male flowers, the cells many-ovulate; style simple, obsolete in the male flowers; stigma bilobulate. Capsules coriaceous, compressed contrary to the partition, the margins sometimes expanded into a small wing, loculicidally 2(-3)-valvate, the cells many-seeded; seeds rather small, broadly ellipsoid, somewhat flattened, long-ciliate along the margins; albumen copious; embryo straight; cotyledons flat.

A tropical genus of America and Asia. Only one of the three American species is reported from Panama.

In a recent paper, Kostermans (Reinwardtia 6: 277-279. 1962), discussing the affinities of the American genus *Belotia* and the Asiatic *Trichospermum*, concludes that they are congeneric and I agree with this opinion (for details, see the publication cited above).

Sprague (Kew Bull. 1921: 270-278. 1921), in a revision of the American species of the genus (under the name of *Belotia*), recognized eleven species based principally on very variable characters, such as the form and the pubescence of the leaves. Later, Bullock (Kew Bull. 1939: 517-521. 1939) reduced the number of American species to seven. My study of the Panamanian material has caused me to reduce further the number of these species to three, namly: *T. grewiaefolium* (A. Rich.) Kosterm. [syn. *Belotia Lessertiana* Hochr., *T. caribaeum* (Sprague) Kosterm., *B. Campbellii* Sprague and *T. tabascanum* (Sprague) Kosterm.], *T. mexicanum* (DC.) Baill. and probably *T. insigne* (Baill.) Kosterm.; this was originally suggested by Standley and Steyermark in the Flora of Guatemala (Fieldiana: Bot. 24(6): 305. 1949).

1. TRICHOSPERMUM MEXICANUM (DC.) Baill., Hist. Pl. 4: 179. 1873.—Fig. 2.

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Grewia mexicana DC., Prodr. 1:510. 1824.
Belotia Galeottii Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 19(2): 504. 1846.
Belotia mexicana (DC.) K. Schum. in Engl. & Prantl, Nat. Pflanzenfam. 3(6):28. 1890.
Belotia panamensis Pittier, Repert. Sp. Nov. 13: 313. 1914.
Belotia macrantha Sprague, Kew Bull. 1921: 274. 1921.
Belotia grandifolia Sprague, loc. cit. 275. 1921.
Belotia reticulata Sprague, loc. cit. 277. 1921.
Belotia australis Little, Jour. Wash. Acad. Sci. 38: 99, fig. 1. 1948.
Belotia colombiana Cuatr., Rev. Acad. Colomb. Cienc. 8: 480. 1952.
Belotia occidentalis Cuatr., loc. cit. 481. 1952.
Trichospermum australis (Little) Kosterm., Reinwardtia 6: 278. 1962.
Trichospermum colombianum (Cuatr.) Kosterm., loc. cit. 278. 1962.
Trichospermum Galeottii (Turcz.) Kosterm., loc. cit. 278. 1962.
Trichospermum grandifolium (Sprague) Kosterm., loc. cit. 279. 1962.
Trichospermum macranthum (Sprague) Kosterm., loc. cit. 279. 1962.
Trichospermum occidentalis (Cuatr.) Kosterm., loc. cit. 279. 1962.
Trichospermum reticulatum (Sprague) Kosterm., loc. cit. 279. 1962.
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Tree, 6-15(-27) m. high, the trunk 18-50 cm. in diam., the bark smooth, grayish, the branches spreading, arachnoid to puberulous. Leaves with terete petioles (0.8-)1-2.2 cm. long, puberulous to tomentose, the blade oblong or oblong-lanceolate or oblong-obovate, rounded or obtuse at the base, long-acuminate at the apex, 7-20 cm. long and 2.5-9 cm. wide, chartaceous to subcoriaceous, discolor, the margins remotely serrulate, the upper surface scatteringly short-puberulous, the lower surface spreading-puberulous or appressed-puberulous to tomentellous or with both tiers of hairs, often with long hirsute stellate hairs at the base of the 3 main nerves and in the axils of the lateral nerves, the secondary nervation reticulate and prominent beneath. Inflorescences unisexual or androgynous, of axillary or terminal, many-flowered panicles, shorter than the leaves, the axes shortly tomentellous. Flowers with a pedicel 3-9 mm. long, the sepals narrowly oblong to narrowly oblong-lanceolate, acute and cucullate, 9.5-14 mm. long and 2.5-3.2 mm. wide, pinkish, 3- to 5-nerved, minutely puberulous to tomentellous outside, glabrous or

scatteringly puberulous inside; petals narrowly obovate-oblong to linear-oblong, rounded or emarginate or undulate to lobulate, 8-12 mm. long and 1-3 mm. wide, purplish, scatteringly puberulous with simple and stellate hairs without, velutinous around and above the gland within, the gland ca. 1 mm. in diam.; gonophore ca. 1.5-2 mm. long, glabrous, the urceolus ca. 3-4 mm. broad; stamens 15, the filaments

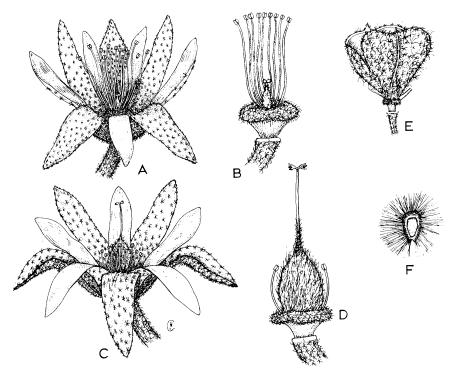


Figure 2. Trichospermum mexicanum (DC.) Baill.: A, male flower (\times 3); B, id., calyx, corolla and some stamens removed (\times 5); C, female flower (\times 3); D, gynoecium and 2 sterile stamens (\times 5); E, capsule (\times 1); F, seed (\times 2 $\frac{1}{2}$).

unequal, 5-9 mm. long and hirtellous near the base in the male flowers, much shorter and ca. 1.5-3 mm. in the female ones; anthers suborbicular, ca. 0.5 mm. long in the male flowers and ca. 0.2-0.3 mm. in the female ones; ovary of the male flowers very small, ovoid, ca. 1-1.5 mm. long and 0.75 mm. broad, more or less glabrous to villous at the base, the style obsolete, the stigma obscurely bilobulate and papillate; ovary of the female flowers pyriform, ca. 2.5-3 mm. long and 2.2-5 mm. broad, densely long-sericeous, the style filiform, 2.5-4 mm. long, puberulous near the base, the stigma bilobulate, the lobes spreading and densely laciniate. *Capsule* depressed-obovate, truncate or sometimes somewhat cordate and apiculate at the apex, 10-18 mm. long and 17-22 mm. wide, densely provided with 2 tiers of stellate hairs; seeds broadly ellipsoid, ca. 2.5 mm. in diam., long-ciliate along the margins, the hairs simple and ca. 2.5-3 mm. long.

From southern Mexico through Central America to Panama, Colombia and northern Ecuador, along the Pacific coast, chiefly in cutover forests.

CANAL ZONE: Gatun, Ostenfeld 82; Barro Colorado Island, Brown 54, 111, Ebinger 301, Harvey 5208, Shattuck 422, Wetmore & Abbe 57, Wilson 94, Woodworth & Vestal 344, 736; Las Cascadas Plantation, near Summit, Standley 25795, 29573; Valley of Masambi, on the road to Las Cascadas Plantation, alt. 20-100 m., Pittier 2584; Summit, Lindsay 295; Paraiso Station, Hayes 438; near junction K-6 road near Cocoli, Dwyer 5020; along an old trail above the Reservoir, 1 to 3 miles from Gorgona, alt. 40-150 m., Maxon 4736. Chiriquí: vicinity of Remedios, 0-150 m., Allen 3662. Coclé: El Valle de Antón, North Hills, Allen 3543. Darien: vicinity of Yaviza, along Río Chucunaque, El Punteadero, bridge on Inter-American Hwy., short distance from Yaviza, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 146; Caná and vicinity, 2,000-6,500 ft. ele., R. S. Williams 772. Panama: Cerro Campana, Allen 2092; Arraijan, P. & G. White 64; along road between Balboa and Chame, Dodge, Hunter, Steyermark & Allen 16738; near Panama, Sargent 21; Pacora, Killip 3311; vicinity of Pacora, alt. ca. 35 m., Allen 1009; locality unknown, Allen 1127. SAN BLAS: Permé, Cooper 655.

3. GOETHALSIA Pittier

Goethalsia Pittier, Repert. Sp. Nov. 13: 313. 1926.

Trees, tall, the trunk often buttressed, the pubescence generally of stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, short-petiolate, stipulate, the stipules small and deciduous, the blade serrate, 3-palminerved. Inflorescences of axillary or terminal, loose cymes. Flowers hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, pedicellate, calyculate, the bractlets 3, valvate, fleshy, caducous; calyx valvate, the sepals 5, free, fleshy; petals 5, free, imbricate, about half the length of the sepals, glandular-thickened within at the base; gonophore short, naked, crowned by a short, membranous urceolus surrounding the base of the stamens; stamens ca. 25, the filaments free, unequal; anthers 2-thecate, medifixus, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile, 3- or 4-celled, the cells 4-ovulate; style simple, filiform; stigma obscurely parted. Fruit composed of 3(-4) samaras separating at maturity from a central axis, each samara 1- to 4-seeded; seeds pyriform, flattened; albumen copious; embryo straight; cotyledons flat, foliaceous.

A neotropical, monotypic genus. Gleason (Phytologia 1: 112. 1934) and Baehni (Candollea 6: 44-45. 1935) have excluded the genus Goethalsia from the Tiliaceae, assigning it either to the Flacourtiaceae or to the Bixaceae sensu lato. These authors have based their interpretation chiefly on the placentation of the ovary which they erroneously interpreted as parietal! Weibel (Candollea 10: 170. 1945) however, in studying the placentation of the Tiliaceae, decided to retain this genus in the family on the grounds that the ovary, while divided into 3 or 4 cells, still has incomplete fusion of the margins of the carpels.

1. Goethalsia Meiantha (J. D. Sm.) Burret, Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Mus. Berlin 9: 815. 1926.—Fig. 3.

Luehea meiantha J. D. Sm., Bot. Gaz. **24**: 394. 1897. Goethalsia isthmica Pittier, Repert. Sp. Nov. **13**: 314. 1914.

Tree 15-45 m. high, the trunk 0.35-1.5 m. in diam., often strongly buttressed, the young branchlets minutely puberulous. Leaves with a terete petiole 0.8-1.8 cm.

long, shortly tomentellous, the blade elliptic to oblong-elliptic, acute to rounded at the base, acuminate at the apex, 6.5-18 cm. long and 2.5-7 cm. wide, chartaceous, discolor, the margins remotely serrate, the upper surface green and sparsely puberulous, the lower surface pale, densely and minutely appressed-puberulous, the nervation prominent beneath. *Inflorescences* axillary or terminal, the cymes usually fewflowered, the axes shortly tomentellous. *Flowers* pale yellow, the pedicel ca. 8-9 mm. long, the bractlets ovate to broadly ovate, acute or obtuse at the apex, slightly unequal, ca. 6-6.5 mm. long and 3.5-4 mm. wide, shortly tomentellous without, densely and minutely villous within; sepals narrowly lanceolate, acuminate, ca. 13-14 mm. long and 2-2.5 mm. wide, densely and shortly arachnoid outside, long-arachnoid especially on the upper half inside; petals oblong to narrowly obovate, unguiculate and gibbose at the base, obtuse at the apex, 5-6 mm. long and 1.2-2 mm. wide, the claw cuneate, ca. 1.5-2 mm. long, entirely glandular-thickened within, densely villous above the claw, elsewhere papillate and with scattered long stellate hairs; gonophore ca. 1.5-1.8 mm. long, the urceolus ca. 2 mm. in diam., densely villous

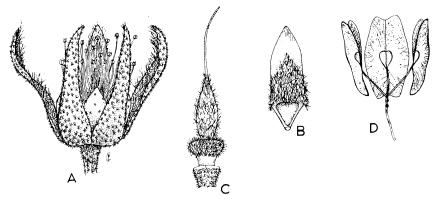


Figure 3. Goethalsia meiantha (J. D. Sm.) Burret: A, flower (\times 3); B, petal from inside (\times 5); C, gonophore, urceolus and gynoecium (\times 5); D, samaras separating from the central axis (\times 1/2).

except the base; stamens ca. 22-25, the filaments 5-7 mm. long and glabrous, the anthers ca. 0.5 mm. long; ovary ellipsoid, slightly 3-angled, ca. 2.5-3 mm. long and 1.5 mm. broad, densely appressed-villous; style ca. 3-5 mm. long, glabrous or slightly villous at the base; stigma obscurely 3-lobulate. Samaras broadly winged, the wings emarginate at both ends, 4-4.5 cm. long and ca. 2.2 cm. wide, puberulous to tomentellous on the outer surface; seeds ca. 2.8-4 mm. long and 1.8-2.5 mm. broad.

Costa Rica, Panama and Colombia (Boyaca); according to Allen (The rain forest of Golfo Dulce 210. 1956), *G. meiantha* is one of the most common and characteristic trees in the Golfo Dulce region in Costa Rica, where it occurs in old clearings and on the margins of the forests and occasionally in pastures; in Colombia (Gleason, Phytologia 1:112. 1934), it has been collected at 900 m. altitude in the western mountains of Boyaca.

CHIRIQUÍ: forest around Puerto Remedios, alt. 0-150 m., Pittier 5445 (type), Allen 3662; Progresso, Cooper & Slater 219.

4. CORCHORUS L.

Corchorus L., Sp. Pl. 529. 1753, Gen. Pl. ed. 5, 234. 1754.

Antichorus L., Syst. Nat. ed. 12, **2**: 264. 1767, Mant. Pl. 9. 1767. Caricteria Scop., Intr. Hist. Nat. 104. 1777. Maerlensia Vell., Fl. Flum. 231. 1825. Ganja Reichenb., Handb. Nat. Pflanzens. 303. 1837.

Herbs, undershrubs or shrubs, the pubescence of simple or stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, petiolate, 2-stipulate, the stipules small and bristle-like, the blade serrate, palminerved. Flowers small, oppositifolious or axillary, solitary or geminate or 3-nate, hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, pedicellate, bracteolate; calyx valvate, the sepals 4-5, free, deciduous; petals 4-5, free, generally imbricate, glandless; stamens numerous or rarely twice the number of the sepals, the filaments inserted on a short torus, free or more or less long-connate; anthers 2-thecate, introrse, medifixus, versatile, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile, 2- to 5-celled (1-celled in bud), each cell many-ovulate; style simple; stigma densely papillate. Capsules chartaceous to coriaceous, elongated, silique-like and smooth, or short, subglobose and muricate, loculicidally 2- to 5-valvate, sometimes internally transversely septate; seeds numerous, small, pendulous or horizontal, albuminous; embryo generally curved; cotyledons cordate, foliaceous.

A genus of about 30 species distributed throughout the tropics. Two asiatic species, *C. olitorius* L. and *C. capsularis* L., are cultivated in many tropical countries for the important fibre, jute. Only three species occur in Panama and one or two others grow in Central America.

- a. Ovary and capsule 2-celled.
- 1. Corchorus Hirtus L., Sp. Pl. ed. 2, 747. 1762.—Fig. 4 (A-B).

Corchorus pilosus H. B. K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 5: 338. 1823, t.487 (1822).

Maerlensia hirsuta Vell., Fl. Flum. 231. 1825, Fl. Flum.Ic. 5: t.112. 1835.

Corchorus villosissimus St.-Hil., Juss. & Camb., Fl. Bras. Merid. 1: 217. 1827.

Corchorus humilis St.-Hil., Juss. & Camb., loc. cit. 218. 1827.

Corchorus hirtus var. pilosus K. Schum. in Mart., Fl. Bras. 12(3):127. 1886.

Corchorus hirtus var. brasiliensis K. Schum. in Mart., loc. cit. 127. 1886.

Corchorus hirtus var. villosissimus (St.-Hil., Juss. & Camb.) K. Schum. f. humilis (St.-Hil., Juss & Camb.) K. Schum. in Mart., loc. cit. 128. 1886.

Corchorus hirtus var. villosissimus f. adscendens K. Schum. in Mart., loc. cit. 128. 1886.

Corchorus hirtus var. villosissimus f. Hilarianus K. Schum. in Mart., loc. cit. 128. 1886.

Corchorus hirtus var. Martii K. Schum. in Mart., loc. cit. 128. 1886.

Herb, usually erect or sometimes spreading, the stem attaining 40-60 cm. or even more in height, sometimes somewhat woody below, branched or not, sparsely to densely hirsute, the hairs usually simple. *Leaves* short-petiolate, the petiole 3-5

mm. long, densely hirsute, the stipules linear-lanceolate, curved, acuminate, longer than the petioles, ca. 5-7 mm. long, hirsute; blade lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate or more or less ovate, acute at the apex, 1.5-4.3 cm. long and 0.7-2 cm. wide, herbaceous, the margins serrate-crenate, hirsute on both sides, 3-palminerved. *Flowers* oppositifolious (or sometimes axillary?), solitary or sometimes geminate,

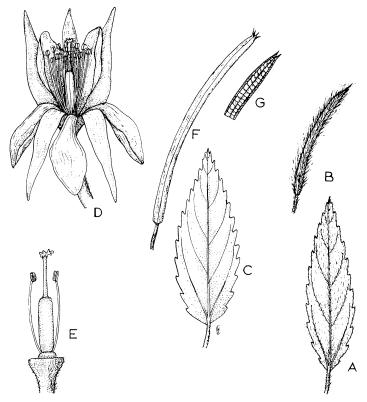


Figure 4. Corchorus hirtus L.: A, leaf, lower surface $(\times 1\frac{1}{2})$; B, capsule $(\times 1)$. Corchorus siliquosus L.: C, leaf, lower surface $(\times 1\frac{1}{2})$; D, flower $(\times 4)$; E, gynoecium and 2 stamens $(\times 5)$; F, capsule $(\times 1)$; G, longitudinal section of the upper part of the capsule $(\times 1)$.

the pedicel longer than the petiole, ca. 4-10 mm. long, densely long-hirsute; sepals 5, linear, long-acuminate, 7.5-10 mm. long and 1-1.2 mm. wide, long-hirsute without, glabrous within; petals 5, spatulate, rounded, 7.5-9 mm. long and 2.5-3.5 mm. wide, yellow, glabrous; stamens numerous, the filaments free to more or less long-connate, ca. 7 mm. long, the anthers more or less reniform, ca. 0.5 mm. long; ovary narrowly oblong, compressed, ca. 2-2.5 mm. long and 0.5 mm. in diam., densely long-sericeous, 2-celled; style filiform, ca. 4 mm. long, glabrous; stigma peltate, subbilobulate, the lobes densely papillate. *Capsule* erect, linear, compressed contrary to the partition, caudate-acuminate at the apex, ca. 3 cm. long and 0.25 cm. in diam., 2-celled, the valves chartaceous and more or less densely long-hirsute; seeds numerous, polygonal, ca. 1 mm. long, the testa black.

A weedy species found throughout tropical America.

CANAL ZONE: Sosa Hill, Balboa, Standley 26445. HERRERA: Ocú, Ebinger 1087. PANAMA: hills between Capira and Potrero, 80-130 m., Dodge & Hunter 8635; sabanas north of Panama City, Bro. Paul 532; Tocumen, Dwyer 2102.

2. Corchorus siliquosus L., Sp. Pl. 529. 1753; Johnston, Sargentia **8:** 192. 1949.— Fig. 4 (C-G).

Corchorus orinocensis sensu Standley, Contr. Arnold Arb. 5: 100. 1933.

Shrub usually 1 m. or less high, sometimes to 2 m. in height, the branchlets terete, smooth, glabrous except one of two longitudinally short-puberulous rows. Leaves petiolate, the petiole 0.5-2.8 cm. long, short-puberulous above, glabrous beneath, the stipules narrowly lanceolate, acuminate, ca. 2.5 mm. long, glabrous; blade ovate to more or less elliptic, rounded and somewhat cordate at the base, acute at the apex, 2-7 cm. long and 0.9-3.5 cm. wide, membranous, discolored, the margins crenate-serrate, glabrous or nearly so on both sides, usually 3-palminerved. Flowers oppositifolious or axillary, solitary, geminate or 3-nate, shortpedicellate, the pedicel terete, enlarged at the apex, 4-8 mm. long, inconspicuouspuberulous; sepals 5, narrowly oblong-lanceolate, long-acuminate, 7-8 mm. long and 1-1.5 mm. wide, fleshy, glabrous; petals 5, obovate, rounded, 5-6 mm. long and 3 mm. wide, yellow, glabrous; stamens numerous, free, the filaments ca. 4-5 mm. long, the anthers oblong, ca. 0.5 mm. long; ovary narrowly oblong, ca. 3 mm. long and 0.75 mm. in diam., very shortly puberulous, 2-celled; style filiform, ca. 2.5 mm. long, glabrous; stigma subbilobate, densely papillate. Capsule erect, linear, compressed contrary to the partition, acute and with 4 minute teeth at the apex, 3.8-6 cm. long and 2-2.5 mm. in diam., 2-celled, the valves coriaceouschartaceous, inconspicuously puberulous; seeds numerous, polygonal, ca. 1 mm. long.

A common, weedy shrub distributed throughout the American tropics and north to southern Florida.

BOCAS DEL TORO: Isla Colón, vicinity of Chiriquí Lagoon, von Wedel 2855. CANAL ZONE: vicinity of Fort Sherman, Standley 31137; Gatun, Bro. Heriberto 125; hills west of the Canal, near Gatun, Standley 27254; Barro Colorado Island, Aviles 12; Gamboa, Standley 28425; between Summit and Gamboa, J.M. & M.T. Greenman 5245; Las Cascadas Plantation, near Summit, Standley 25814; vicinity of Summit, Standley 30139; around Culebra, alt. 50-150 m., Pittier 4779; Río Paraiso, above East Paraiso, Standley 29903; along the old Las Cruces Trail, between Fort Clayton and Corozal, Standley 29210; Camino de Corozal, Bro. Heriberto 253; Ancon, Bro. Celestine 6, Macbride & Featherstone 12; Balboa, Standley 27156; Sosa Hill, Balboa, Standley 26474; Colón to Empire, Crawford 430; around Tabernilla, along the railroad, alt. 20-25 m., Pittier 3817. cocLé: between Las Margaritas and El Valle, Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1238. COLÓN: vicinity of Gatuncillo, Piper 5629; locality unknown, Kuntze s.n. PANAMA: Río Potrero, ca. 2 mi. from Arraijan, Duke 4679; along the Corozal Road, near Panama, Standley 26774; Bella Vista, Killip 12006; Nuevo San Francisco, Standley 30719; near Matias Hernández, Standley 28938; between Matias Hernández and Juan Díaz, Standley 32052; Río Tapía, Standley 26208, 28274; Taboga Island, Miller 1958, Standley 27988; San José Island, Erlanson 196. PROVINCE UNKNOWN: Seemann s.n.

3. Corchorus orinocensis H. B. K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 5: 337. 1823.

Corchorus hirtus L. var. orinocensis (H. B. K.) K. Schum. in Mart., Fl. Bras. 12(3): 127. 1886.

Herb, erect, bushy, sometimes somewhat woody below, 0.30-1.2 m. high, the hairs usually simple, the stems glabrous except a row of hirsute-arachnoid hairs decurrent from the base of the petioles. Leaves rather long-petiolate, the petiole 0.7-1.6 cm. long, hirsute-arachnoid above and glabrous or nearly so beneath, the stipules subulate, shorter than the petioles, ca. 4-5 mm. long, ciliate; blade lanceolate to narrowly lanceolate, rounded at the base, acute to long-acuminate at the apex, 3-8 cm. long and 0.9-2.5 cm. wide, membranous, the margins irregularly serrate and ciliolate, glabrous or nearly so on both sides except along the hirtellous nerves, 5-palminerved, the nervation slightly prominent beneath. Flowers oppositifolious, generally geminate, the pedicel shorter than the petiole, ca. 3-5 mm. long, hirsute-arachnoid; sepals 5, narrowly linear, long-acuminate, 7.5-9.5 mm. long and 1-1.5 mm. wide, very loosely hirsute to hirtellous without, glabrous within; petals 5, spatulate, rounded, 5.5-8 mm. long and 2-3 mm. wide, yellow, glabrous; stamens numerous, the filaments free to more or less long-connate, ca. 5-7 mm. long, the anthers somewhat arcuate, ca. 0.6-0.7 mm. long; ovary narrowly oblong, more or less 3-angled, ca. 1.7-2 mm. long and 0.7-0.8 mm. in diam., shortly sericeous or rarely glabrescent, 3-celled; style more or less 3-angled, ca. 1.5-2.5(-4) mm. long, glabrous; stigma peltate, shortly papillate. Capsule erect, linear, cylindrical, slightly 3-sulcate, long-caudate-acuminate at the apex, 3-6 cm. long and ca. 2 mm. in diam., 3-celled, the valves chartaceous and glabrous or nearly so at maturity; seeds numerous, polygonal, ca. 1.5 mm. long, the testa black.

Southern United States (Florida to Texas and Arizona), Central America, West Indies and tropical South America; chiefly in moist thickets and in weedy fields.

CANAL ZONE: Summit, Standley 26907; vicinity of Summit, Standley 30130; around Culebra, alt. 50-150 m., Pittier 4775; along the old Las Cruces Trail, between Fort Clayton and Corozal, Standley 29088; Balboa, Standley 25534, 26069; Sosa Hill, Balboa, Standley 25230; vicinity of Balboa, Bro. Celestine 7. Panama: along the Corozal Road, near Panama, Standley 26768; Camino de Las Sabanas, Bro. Heriberto 200; La Exposición, Bro. Heriberto 242; Bella Vista, Standley 25329; vicinity of Juan Franco Race Track, near Panama, Standley 27686; between Matias Hernández and Juan Díaz, Standley 32050; near Matias Hernández, Standley 28969; Agricultural Experiment Station at Matias Hernández, Pittier 6811; Pearl Islands, Trapeche Island, Miller 1872.

5. MORTONIODENDRON Standley & Steyerm.

Mortoniodendron Standley & Steyerm., Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. 17: 411. 1938.

Orthandra Burret, Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Mus. Berlin 15: 13. 1940.

Shrubs or small to tall trees, the trunk sometimes buttressed, the hairs usually stellate, sometimes simple. Leaves alternate, petiolate, stipulate, the stipules very small and caducous, the blade entire, asymmetrical at the base, penninerved. Inflorescences terminal or axillary, cymose-paniculiform, the bracts very small.

Flowers hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, pedicellate, (3-)4- or 5-merous; calyx valvate, the sepals (3-)4-5, free, thick, fleshy, pubescent without, glabrous within; petals 4-5 or absent, free, valvate, somewhat shorter than the sepals; stamens numerous, all fertile, grouped into 4-5 phalanges opposite the petals, the filaments of each phalanx shortly connate at the base; anthers oblong, mucronate at the apex, 2-thecate, introrse, basifixus, erect, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile, (3-)4- or 5-celled, the cells many-ovulate (4-5 ovules in each cell?); style simple; stigma undivided. Capsules loculicidally dehiscent, (3-)4- or 5-loculate, each cell 1- to 3-seeded; seeds pendulous, arillate, the aril fleshy; albumen copious, carnose; cotyledons flat, foliaceous.

A genus of seven species confined to tropical Central America. Certain species are still imperfectly known, only the flowers being described or only the fruits, and some species may perhaps be reduced later to synonymy. Two species (one only known in fruit) occur in Panama. A single collection, lacking flowers, may represent however a third species.

- 1. Mortoniodendron anisophyllum (Standley) Standley & Steryerm., Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. 17: 411, fig. 26-27. 1938.—Fig. 5 (A-G).

Sloanea anisophylla Standley, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. 4: 228. 1929. Orthandra anisophylla (Standley) Burret, Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Mus. Berlin 15: 13. 1940.

Tree 12-30 m. high, the trunk 45 cm. or even more in diam., often strongly buttressed, the crown spreading, the pubescence of stellate hairs, the branches shortly puberulous. Leaves with a petiole 8-12 mm. long, shortly tomentellous, the blade elliptic to oblong-elliptic, obtuse to rounded and asymmetric at the base, acuminate at the apex, 8-15 cm. long and 3.8-7.5 cm. wide, subcoriaceous, glabrous or nearly so above, very sparsely and shortly puberulous especially along the nerves beneath. Inflorescences terminal, of loose, paniculiform cymes, the axes shortly tomentellous. Flowers cream-white, the pedicel 5-13 mm. long; sepals 5, ovate to elliptic, acute 9-10 mm. long and 3.5-5 mm. wide, shortly tomentellous without, glabrous within; petals 5, elliptic, ca. 7 mm. long and 3 mm. wide; stamens glabrous, ca. 50, grouped into 5 phalanges of 10 stamens each, the filaments unequal, equalling or shorter than the anthers, shortly connate at the base for ca. 1 mm., the anthers unequal, 1.5-2 mm. long; ovary pyriform, ca. 3 mm. long and wide, shortly tomentellous; style ca. 3 mm. long, shortly tomentellous at the base. Capsule ligneous, more or less globulose, ca. 4 cm. long and broad, shortly tomentellous, 5-celled, each cell 2- to 3-seeded; seeds pyriform, ca. 10 mm. long and 6 mm. broad.

Native to Costa Rica and Panama.

BOCAS DEL TORO: region of Almirante, Cooper 352 (type).

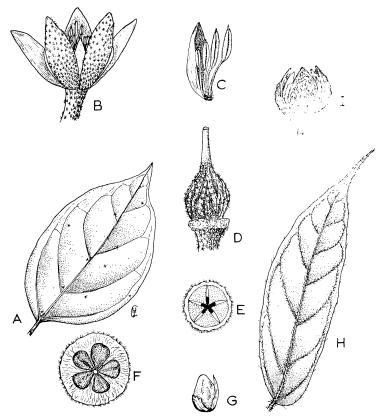


Figure 5. Mortoniodendron anisophyllum (Standley) Standley & Steyerm.: A, leaf, lower surface (\times $\frac{1}{2}$); B, flower (\times 2); C, petal and 4 stamens (\times 3); D, ovary (\times 4); E, cross-section of ovary (\times 4); F, cross-section of capsule (\times $\frac{1}{2}$); G, seed (\times 1). Mortoniodendron hirsutum Standley: H, leaf, lower surface (\times $\frac{1}{2}$); I, capsule (\times 1).

Mortoniodendron Hirsutum Standley, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 29: 359. 1942. —Fig. 5 (H-I).

Shrub 1 m. high, the hairs mostly simple, the young branches long-hirsute. Leaves shortly petiolate, the petiole thick, 4-5 mm. long, densely long-hirsute, the blade narrowly oblong, much asymmetric at the base, acute on one side of the midrib and rounded to subcordate on the other side, very long-acuminate at the apex, 10.5-17 cm. long and 3-4.5 cm. wide, membranous, sparsely long-hirsute along the nerves on both surfaces, 3-nerved at the base, the nervation prominent beneath. Inflorescences terminal, few-flowered, the axes long-hirsute, the fructiferous pedicels ca. 12 mm. long. Flowers unknown. Capsule depressed-globose, ca. 2 cm. long and 2.5 cm. broad, shortly yellowish-tomentellous, the valves thick and ca. 12 mm. wide, 5-celled, each cell 2-seeded; seeds obtuse-angled, ca. 6 mm. in diam.

Native to Panama. This species is very closely related to the Honduran *M. membranaceum* Standley & Steyerm. (Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. **22**: 158. 1948). It differs chiefly by the long hirsute pubescence of the young branches, of the leaves and of the inflorescence-axes. Lacking flowers of *M. hirsutum* and capsules of *M. membranaceum*, it is impossible to establish the relationship of the two species!

BOCAS DEL TORO: Water Valley, vicinity of Chiriquí Lagoon, von Wedel 1694 (type).

3. Mortoniodendron sp.

Tree 30 m. high, the hairs stellate, the young branches puberulous. Leaves with a petiole 8-10 mm. long, nearly glabrous above and tomentellous beneath, the blade evate to elliptic, much asymmetric at the base, acute on one side of the midrib and rounded to subcordate on the other side, acute to obtuse at the apex, 6-10 cm. long and 3.5-4.5 cm. wide, subcoriaceous, glabrous or nearly so above, tomentellous at the base of the midrib to scatteringly puberulous elsewhere beneath, 3-nerved at the base, the nervation prominent beneath. Inflorescences terminal, few-flowered, the axes tomentellous, the fructiferous pedicels ca. 9 mm. long. Flowers unknown. Capsule more or less globose, apiculate, ca. 14 mm. in diam., shortly tomentellous, 5-celled; seeds ca. 5 mm. long and 4 mm. broad.

This species is related to the Guatemalan species, *M. guatemalense* Standley & Steyerm. (Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. **22**: 157. 1948), but differs in the shape and the texture of the leaves and by the 5-celled capsule. In *M. guatemalense*, the membranous leaves are oblong-elliptic or oblong-lanceolate and long-acuminate, and the ovary is 3-(cf. Miranda, Anal. Inst. Biol. Univ. Mex. **27**: 331, fig. 3 (B). 1956) or 4-celled (observation on type material, *Hatch & Wilson 54*). Study of additional material is necessary in order to evaluate these differences.

COCLÉ: region north of El Valle de Antón, alt. 1,000 m., Allen 3728.

6. APEIBA Aubl.

APEIBA Aubl., Hist. Pl. Gui. Fr. 537. 1775.

Aubletia Schreb. in L., Gen. Pl. ed.8, 353. 1789. Oxytandrum Neck., Elem. Bot. 2: 255. 1790.

Trees or tall shrubs, the pubescence of stellate hairs or fimbrillate lepidotes. Leaves alternate, petiolate, the stipules rapidly or tardily deciduous, the blade with entire or serrulate margins, 3- to 5(-7)-palminerved. Inflorescences oppositifolious or terminal, paniculate. Flowers hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, pedicellate, bracteolate; calyx valvate, the sepals 4-5, free or sometimes very slightly connate at the base, deciduous; petals 4-5, free, imbricate, glandless; stamens numerous, free or usually connate into a short staminal tube, the filaments short; anthers 2-thecate, introrse, basifixus, erect, longitudinally dehiscent, with a sterile membranous appendage of the connective at the top; ovary superior, sessile, (8-)10- to many-celled, the cells many-ovulate; style simple; stigma minutely denticulate. Capsules

ligneous, transversely elliptic, densely to coarsely bristly or spinose, opening at the top by woody teeth or by a nearly circular hole; seeds numerous, small, embedded in a lustrous pulp, the testa thin-coriaceous; albumen carnose; embryo straight; cotyledons orbicular-cordate.

A neotropical genus of seven species of which two occur in Central America and in Panama.

- 1. Apeiba tibourbou Aubl., Hist. Pl. Gui. Fr. 538, t.213. 1775; Johnston, Sargentia 8: 192. 1949.

Apeiba hirsuta Lam., Encycl. Méth. Bot. 1:203. 1783. Apeiba cimbalaria Arruda, Diss. Pl. Brazil 46. 1810. Apeiba tibourbou var. rugosa Szyszyl., Diss. Math.-Phys. Acad. Crac. **27:**140. 1894.

Tree 6-30 m. high, the trunk 20-35 cm. or even more in diam., sometimes with small buttresses, the crown spreading, the branchlets densely hirsute. Leaves with a petiole 1.3-3 cm. long, densely long-hispid, the stipules triangular, acuminate at the apex, the margins entire or serrate, 2-3 cm. long and ca. 1 cm. wide at the base, densely sericeous without, glabrous within except the sericeous base, rather tardily deciduous; blade ovate, elliptic to oblong-elliptic, sometimes slightly oboyate, cordate at the base, acute to long-apiculate at the apex, 10-33 cm. long and 5.5-15 cm. wide, firm-chartaceous, the margins serrulate, more or less rugose and rather sparsely stellate-puberulous above, densely stellate-arachnoid beneath, 5(-7)-palminerved, the nervation prominent beneath. Inflorescences oppositifolious, the axes covered with 2 kinds of hairs, a lower tier densely and shortly stellate-puberulous and an upper tier more or less sparsely long-hirsute, the bracts stipuliform, densely sericeous without, glabrous or nearly so within. Flowers with a pedicel 0.8-1.7 cm. long, the sepals 4-5, lanceolate to oblonglanceolate, cucullate and acute, 1.5-2.2 cm. long and 0.5-0.4 cm. wide, fleshy, covered with 2 kinds of hairs, a lower tier densely and shortly stellate-puberulous and an upper tier sparsely long-sericeous, glabrous within; petals 4-5, spatulate to more or less obovate, rounded and somewhat emarginate, 1.1-1.6 cm. long and 0.5-0.8 cm. wide, yellow, glabrous; stamens free to slightly connate, the filaments 3.5-4.5 mm. long, sparsely long-pilose especially above, the anthers linear, ca. 3-3.5 mm. long, sparsely long-pilose especially at the base and along the margins, the appendage often bifid and ca. 1 mm. long; ovary more or less globose, somewhat depressed at both ends, ca. 3 mm. long and 4.5 mm. broad, densely and shortly hirsute, many-celled; style 0.8-1.2 cm. long, glabrous; stigma shortly denticulate.

Capsule transversely elliptic, somewhat concave at the apex, ca. 4 cm. long and 7-8 cm. broad, very densely covered with long, flexible and stout bristles, these up to 1.5 cm. long and hirsute; seeds more or less globose, somewhat flattened, ca. 2.5 mm. in diam.

Throughout tropical Central and South America, in dry forests and thickets or in open sunlight, at edge of savannas and along roads. Colloquial names reported in Panama are *peine de mico* (monkey-comb), *cortezo* and *cortez*.

CANAL ZONE: Chagres, Isthmus of Panama, Fendler 326; near Fort Randolph, Maxon & Harvey 6528a; Gatun, Hayes 106, 193, 220, 1034; lake shore along Gatun River Valley, Pittier 6743; Barro Colorado Island, Bangham 376, 390, Ebinger 262, Kenoyer 431, Killip 40011, Salvoza 850, Shattuck 287, Starry 143, Wetmore & Abbe 44, 124, Woodworth & Vestal 352, 504, 694, Zetek 5084; Mamei Hill, alt. 20-90 m., Pittier 3799; around Gamboa, alt. 20-100 m., Pittier 4801; Cerro Gordo, near Culebra, Standley 25960; Pedro Miguel, Piper 5515; Cerro Luisa, above Pedro Miguel Locks, Stern & Chambers 7; between Miraflores and Pedro Miguel, P. & G. White 48; C2 east of Fort Clayton, Harvey 5105; vicinity of Río Cocoli, Road K-9, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 323, 331; Balboa, Standley 29290; about 2 miles west of Balboa, Correll 12254; Balboa Heights, J.M. & M.T. Greenman 5058; western s'ope of Ancon Hill, vic. of Balboa. 20-75 m., Seibert 391; Ancon Hill, Bro. Gervais 311, Bro. Heriberto 132, Killip 12111, Maxon 6776; sabanas along drowned Río Azote Caballo, 66-70 m., Dodge, Steyermark & Allen 16849; locality unknown, Johansen 8. CHIRIQUÍ: Progresso, Cooper & Slater 163. coclé: Penonomé and vicinity, R.S. Williams 320. DARIEN: vicinity of El Real, ca. 15 m., Allen 960; trail between Caná and Boca de Cupe, vicinity of El Real, along road to R'o Pirre, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 601; vicinity of Campamento Buena Vista, Río Chucunaque above confluence with Río Tuquesa, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 860. PANAMA: near Arraijan, ca. 15 m., Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1362; Panama, Seemann 316; Sabanas, Bro. Paul 71; Bella Vista, Macbride 2745; east of Bella Vista, Maxon & Valentine 6936; near Matias Hernández, Standley 28950; near the big swamp east of the Río Tocumen, Standley 26547; along road between Panama and Chepo, Dodge, Hunter, Steyermark & Allen 16631; Chepo, Kluge 57; 5-6 mi. e. of Chepo on Pan-Am. Highway, Duke 4051; Taboga Island, Killip 3200; Pedro Gonzalez Island, Allen 2601; San José Island, Erlanson 99, 247, 289, Harlow 64, Johnston 8. SAN BLAS: Permé, Cooper 236; locality unknown, Cooper 277. Veraguas: vicinity Santa Fe - Río Santa Maria, 1,000 ft., Allen 4415.

2. Apeiba membranacea Spruce ex Benth., Jour. Proc. Linn. Soc., Bot. 5 (Suppl. 2): 61. 1861.—Fig. 6.

Арсіва aspera Aubl., Hist. Pl. Gui. Fr. 545, t.216. 1775; Standley, Contr. U. S. Nat. Herb. 27: 47. 1928

Tree 20-30 m. tall, the trunk attaining 75 cm. in diam., the branchlets shortly stellate-puberulous. Leaves with a petiole slightly enlarged at the apex, 1-3.3 cm. long, shortly stellate-puberulous on the lower part to shortly stellate-tomentellous on the upper part, the stipules rapidly deciduous; blade oblong-elliptic to oblong-obovate, rounded to subcordate at the base, acuminate at the apex, 7-26 cm. long and 3-9.5 cm. wide, rigid-chartaceous, the margins entire to slightly subserrulate, scatteringly and very shortly stellate-puberulous to glabrate above, densely and very shortly fimbrillate-lepidote and generally with tufts of brownish hairs in the axils of the secondary nerves beneath, 3-palminerved, the nervation prominent especially beneath. Inflorescences oppositifolious, the panicles loose and few-flowered, the axes shortly stellate-tomentellous, the bracts missing at

anthesis. *Flowers* with a pedicel 1-1.2 cm. long, the sepals 5, narrowly lanceolate, very slightly connate at the base, cucullate and acute at the apex, 1.8-2.6 cm. long and 0.3-0.5 cm. wide, fleshy, shortly stellate-tomentellous to stellate-puberulous outside, sometimes mixed with scattered, long hairs, glabrous within; petals 5, spatulate to obovate-spatulate, rounded and more or less deeply

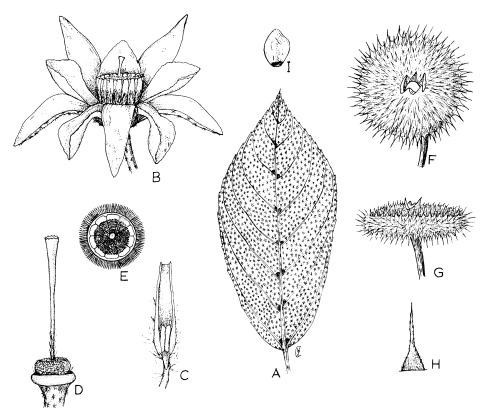


Figure 6. Apeiba membranacea Spruce ex Benth.: A, leaf, lower surface $(\times 1/2)$; B, flower $(\times 1/2)$; C, anther $(\times 4)$; D, gynoecium $(\times 21/2)$; E, cross-section of ovary $(\times 5)$; F, capsule from above $(\times 1/2)$; G, capsule, lateral view $(\times 1/2)$; H, spine of capsule $(\times 21/2)$; I, seed $(\times 21/2)$.

emarginate, 1.35-2 cm. long and 0.65-1.3 cm. wide, yellow, glabrous; stamens connate into a very short tube ca. 1.5-2 mm. long, the filaments ca. 1.5 mm. long, long-pilose, the anthers ca. 2 mm. long, sparsely pilose especially at the base and along the margins, the appendage retuse and ca. 4-4.5 mm. long; ovary transversely elliptic, ca. 1.5 mm. long and 3.5 mm. broad, densely scabroushispidulous, many-celled; style ca. 1.2 cm. long, sparsely hispidulous at the base; stigma shortly denticulate. *Capsule* transversely narrow-elliptic, sometimes apiculate, ca. 1.5 cm. long and 5.5-6.5 cm. broad, densely covered with short to rather long, stout, conic-based spines, these shortly puberulous to glabrate; seeds ca. 3.5-4 mm. long and 2.5-3 mm. broad.

Costa Rica and Panama, western South America from Colombia to northern Bolivia; forested hills.

In the past, all the collections of Panama were referred to A. aspera Aubl., a name considered by Uittien (Rec. Trav. Bot. Néerl. 22: 360. 1925) as nomen confusum, Aublet (Hist. Pl. Gui. Fr. 545, t. 216. 1775) confusing here two species, A. echinata Gaertn. and A. glabra Aubl. The taxonomy of some species of this group is still unsatisfactory in spite of the revision made by Uittien (loc. cit. 32: 244-251, fig. 4. 1935). In distinguishing species in his revision, he uses as essential basis the shape of the capsule and the nature of the pubescence of the leaves, the latter character well known to be extremely variable in the Malvales. In the absence of an exhaustive study of all available herbarium material, I am obliged to use the conclusions of Uittien, suggesting nevertheless that A. membranacea and the very closely related species, A. echinata Gaertn. emend. Uitt. (Guianas, north-easthern Brazil), are doubtfully specifically distinct and form perhaps only the extreme variation within a single taxon.

BOCAS DEL TORO: Water Valley, von Wedel 810. CANAL ZONE: Barro Colorado Island, Shattuck 1157, Standley 31367, Wetmore & Abbe 115; drowned forest of upper Río Pequeni between Salamanca Hydrographic Station and Río Boqueron, 70 m., Allen 17286. COCLÉ: region north of El Valle de Antón, alt. 1,000 m., Allen 3746. COLÓn: between France Field, Canal Zone and Catival, Standley 30303; Zona de la Gloria, near Fato (Nombre de Dios), alt. 10-104 m., Pittier 4087; Guarunta, Wispernini Camp, 50-75 ft., C. & W. von Hagen 1395. Darien: Río Chico, vicinity Yaviza, 100 ft., Allen 4578; on trail between Paya and Pucra, Río Paya, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 215; Caná and vicinity, R. S. Williams 947. Panama: vicinity of Arenoso, lower Río Trinidad, 26-50 m., Seibert 627. Province unknown: Hayes s.n.

7. HELIOCARPUS L.

Heliocarpus L., Sp. Pl. 448. 1753, Gen. Pl. ed. 5, 205. 1754.

Adenodiscus Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 19(2): 504. 1846.

Shrubs or trees, the pubescence of stellate hairs, the young branches usually pubescent, the older ones glabrate or nearly so. Leaves alternate, petiolate, stipulate, the stipules usually large, fugacious or infrequently persistent, the blade entire or 3-lobate, sometimes auriculate-appendaged at the base, the margins irregularly serrate, the basal serrations usually glandular, 3- to 7-palminerved. Inflorescences gynodioecious or hermaphrodite, usually terminal, infrequently axillary, large, paniculiform, the ultimate branchlets bearing clustered cymes. Flowers either hermaphrodite or pistillate, actinomorphous, pedicellate, 4- to 5-merous; calvx valvate, the sepals sometimes minutely appendiculate at the apex, usually pubescent without, glabrate within; petals 4-5 in the hermaphrodite flowers, absent in the pistillate ones, free, valvate, shorter than the sepals, glandless; stamens 12-40 in the hermaphrodite flowers, staminodial or absent in the pistillate ones, inserted on an enlarged and very short gonophore, the filaments free; anthers 2-thecate, introrse, more or less medifixus, versatile, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile on the gonophore or borne on a gynophore, laterally compressed, ciliate along the margins and with shorter pubescence on the

faces, 2-celled (falsely 4-celled at the base), the cells 2-ovulate; style filiform, bifid, the stigma-lobes spreading, simple or slightly 2- to 3-lobulate. Fruit capsular, sessile or stipitate upon the accrescent gynophore, laterally compressed and bearing along the margins 2 rows of long plumose bristles, the faces pubescent or glabrate, indehiscent, 2-loculate, (1-)2(-3)-seeded; seeds small, pendulous, compressed-ovoid or compressed-pyriform; albumen carnose; embryo straight; cotyledons plane, foliaceous.

A neotropical genus of ten species of which only one occurs in Panama.

1. Heliocarpus popayanensis H. B. K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. **5**: 341. 1823; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. **36**: 532, fig. 10. 1949.—Fig. 7.

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Heliocarpus trichopodus Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 31(1): 226. 1858.
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Heliocarpus nodiflorus (J. D. Sm.) J. D. Sm. & Rose, Contr. U. S. Nat. Herb. 5: 126. 1897.
Heliocarpus americanus var. Schumanni E. G. Baker, Jour. Bot. 36: 131. 1898.
Heliocarpus popayanensis var. Purdiei E. G. Baker, loc. cit. 132. 1898.
Heliocarpus popayanensis var. trichopoda (Turcz.) E. G. Baker, loc. cit. 132. 1898.
Heliocarpus popayanensis var. grandifolius Hochr., Ann. Conserv. Jard. Bot. Genève 18: 116. 1914.
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Heliocarpus diclinus Hochr., loc. cit. 117. 1914.
Heliocarpus boliviensis Hochr., loc. cit. 118. 1914.
Heliocarpus Rosei Hochr., loc. cit. 119. 1914.
Heliocarpus stipulatus Hochr., loc. cit. 121. 1914.
Heliocarpus australis E. E. Wats., Bull. Torr. Bot. Club 50: 124. 1923.
Heliocarpus rudis E. E. Wats., loc. cit. 126. 1923.
Heliocarpus subtrilobus Sprague, Bot. Mag. 61: 257. 1923.
Heliocarpus excelsior Morton, Jour. Wash. Acad. Sci. 27: 307. 1937.
Heliocarpus Gentlei Lundell, Phytologia 2: 3. 1941.

Tree 6-30 m. tall, the young branches ferruginous-tomentellous to puberulous, the older ones glabrate. Leaves with a petiole 6-8 cm. long, ferruginous-puberulous, the blade broadly ovate to ovate-cordate, rounded to deeply cordate at the base, usually with 3 acuminate lobes, sometimes obscurely 3-lobed or only acuminate at the apex, 16-20 cm. long and 14-18 cm. wide, discolored, the margins irregularly serrulate, the upper surface dark green, sparsely and shortly ferruginous-puberulous, the lower surface light green and ferruginous-puberulous, 5- to 7-palminerved, the nervation very slightly prominent beneath. Inflorescences gynodioecious, usually terminal, the cymes ca. 12- to 20-flowered, sometimes condensed in nodose clusters, the flowering peduncles 3-radiate. Hermaphrodite flower with a pedicel ca. 2-4 mm. long, tomentellous, the sepals 4, narrowly lanceolate, acute and somewhat cucullate, ca. 4-7 mm. long and 1-1.2 mm. wide, fleshy, tomentellous without, glabrous within; petals 4, narrowly spatulate, ca. 3-4.5 mm. long and 0.5-0.75 mm. wide, glabrous; stamens about 12-24, the filaments ca. 3-4 mm. long, the anthers ca. 0.75 mm. long; ovary borne on a very short gynophore ca. 0.5 mm. long, ovoid to suborbicular, ca. 0.6-0.8 mm. long and 0.5-0.7 mm. broad; style ca. 1-2 mm. long, bifid about one third of its length, the stigma-lobes usually obscurely 2to 3-lobulate. Pistillate flower with a pedicel ca. 2 mm. long, tomentellous, the

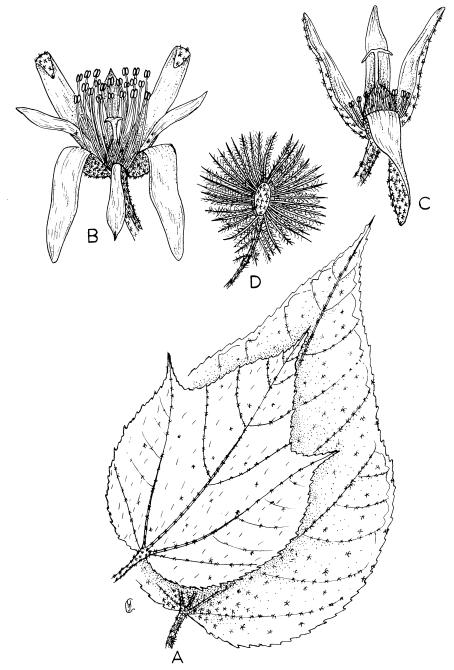


Figure 7. Heliocarpus popayanensis H. B. K.: A, leaves, lower surface (\times $^2/_3$); B, hermaphrodite flower (\times 6 $^2/_3$); C, pistillate flower (\times 6 $^2/_3$); D, fruit (\times 2 $^2/_3$).

sepals 4, narrowly lanceolate, acute and somewhat cucullate, ca. 4-5.5 mm. long and 1-1.5 mm. wide, fleshy, tomentellous without, glabrous within; petals reduced or absent; staminodes numerous; ovary borne on a very short gynophore ca. 0.5 mm. long, more or less suborbicular, ca. 1-1.2 mm. in diam.; style ca. 1.3-1.8 mm. long, slightly bifid to bifid about one third of its length, the stigma lobes obscurely lobulate. *Fruit* ellipsoid to slightly obovoid, the accrescent gynophore ca. 5-10 mm. long, shortly stellate-hirsute and provided with some plumose bristles, the body ca. 3-4 mm. long and 2-3 mm. broad, the plumose bristles ca. 4-7 mm. long, the faces covered either with stellate hairs or with shorter plumose bristles and stellate hairs; seeds ovoid, ca. 2.5 mm. long, with a depression in the middle.

A species which extends from southern Mexico to northern Argentina and grows usually at altitudes from 500-2,500 m., in secondary forested valleys or on slopes; the local name is *majagüillo*.

CANAL ZONE: Gatun, Ostenfeld 50; Barro Colorado Island, L.H. & E.Z. Bailey 380, Frost 218, Shattuck 662, 754, Wetmore, Abbe & Aviles 108, Woodworth & Vestal 730, 748; Darien Station, Standley 31552; Empire Station, Hayes 437; Empire to Mandinga, Piper 5532; Cerro Gordo, near Culebra, alt. 50-290 m., Pittier 2305; C 16, back of Curundu, Harvey 5288; along an old trail above the Reservoir, 1 to 3 miles from Gorgona, alt. 40-150 m., Maxon 4751; locality unknown, Christopherson 117. Chiriquí: valley of the upper Río Chiriquí Viejo, P. White 29; vicinity of "New Switzerland," central valley of Río Chiriquí Viejo, Allen 1398; vicinity of Cerro Punta, alt. 2,000 m., Allen 1519; slopes of Volcán Baru, near town of Cerro Punta, alt. 6,000 ft., Stern & Chambers 77; between Cerro Vaca and Hato del Loro, alt. 850-1,100 m., Pittier 5392; around Camp Aguacatal, eastern slope of Chiriquí Volcano, alt. 2,100-2,200 m., Pittier 3082. coclé: hills south of El Valle de Antón, alt. 600-800 m., Allen 2849; south rim of El Valle de Antón, alt. 650 m., Allen 2912; El Valle de Antón, along Río Indio trail, 500-700 m., Hunter & Allen 304. colón: vicinity of Gatuncillo, Piper 5612. darien: Caná and vicinity, R. S. Williams 827; locality unknown, Macbride 2713. Province unknown: Cowell 270, 271, Hayes 947, 1015.

8. TRIUMFETTA L.

TRIUMFETTA L., Sp. Pl. 444. 1753, Gen. Pl. ed. 5, 203. 1754.

Bartramia L., Sp. Pl. 389. 1753, Gen. Pl. ed.5, 184. 1754. Porpa Blume, Bijdr. Fl. Nederl. Ind. 117. 1825. Ceratosepalum Oliv., Hook. Ic. Pl. t.2307. 1894.

Shrubs or trees, the pubescence usually of stellate hairs. Leaves alternate, petiolate, stipulate, the stipules usually large and persistent, rarely fugacious, the blade entire or 3- to 5-lobed or rarely 5- to 7-partite, the margins irregularly serrate, the basal serrations usually glandular, 3- to 7-palminerved. Inflorescences hermaphrodite or gynodioecious, usually axillary, sometimes terminal, consisting generally of numerous aggregate dichasia, the bracts foliaceous. Flowers either hermaphrodite or pistillate, actinomorphous, pedicellate, generally 5-merous, rarely 4- or 6-merous; sepals valvate, with apical appendages, usually pubescent without, glabrous within; petals sometimes absent, free, imbricate, shorter than the sepals, usually ciliate at the base, glandless; gonophore short, sometimes obsolete, bearing 5 manifest glands opposite the petals, these sometimes united into a

full ring or sometimes absent, usually crowned by a ciliate membranous urceolus surrounding the stamens; stamens 5-60 in the hermaphrodite flowers, staminodial or absent in the pistillate ones, the filaments free; anthers 2-thecate, introse, more or less medifixus, longitudinally dehiscent; ovary superior, sessile on the gonophore, infrequently borne on a very short gynophore, ellipsoid to orbicular, covered with many, short, straight to uncinate, hyaline spinules, 2- to 5-loculate, the cells 2-ovulate; style filiform; stigma entire or shortly 2- to 5-parted. Fruit capsular, mostly sessile on the slightly accrescent gonophore, covered with many tubercles, bristles or spines elongating from the pericarp at the base of the spinules, the appendages glabrous or pilosulose and topped by the hyaline, straight to uncinate spinules, indehiscent or loculicidally dehiscent, 2- to 5-loculate, the cells 2-seeded, or falsely 6- to 10-celled, the cells 1-seeded, exceptionally 1-celled and 1-seeded by abortion; seeds pendulous, compressed-ovoid to pyriform, albuminous; embryo straight; cotyledons flat, foliaceous.

A large pantropical genus of about 150 species of which some are widely distributed as weeds in cultivated fields. In his recent revision of the genus for the New World, Ko Ko Lay (Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 37: 315-395. 1950) recognizes 43 species in tropical America; five species are reported from Panama, but one other, *T. semitriloba* Jacq., is to be expected, while several others occur in Central America north of Panama.

- a. Hyaline spinules of ovary and fruit straight or arcuate; petals 5.

 - bb. Flowers small, 8-10 mm. long; stamens ca. 50; fruit-body 3-4 mm. long and ca. 2 mm. in diam2. T. Arborescens
- aa. Hyaline spinules of ovary and fruit uncinate.
 - c. Petals 5; stamens 20-30; gonophore ca. 0.7-0.8 mm. long, bearing 5 manifest glands, the urceolus ca. 0.5 mm. long.
 - d. Flowers 12-18 mm. long; apical appendages of sepals 1-1.5 mm. long; petals 10.5-13 mm. long; fruit covered with very numerous spines (ca. 200), these sparsely hirtellous especially near the base....3. T. GRANDIFLORA
- 1. Triumfetta speciosa Seem., Bot. Voy. Herald 86. 1853; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. **37:** 338. 1950.—Fig. 8.

Triumfetta macrocalyx Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou **31**(1):230. 1858. Triumfetta micropetala Hochr., Ann. Conserv. Jard. Bot. Genève **18**:98. 1914.

Shrub 0.60-2 m. high, sometimes small tree up to 3-6 m. tall, the branches and inflorescence-axes rather densely ferruginous-arachnoid. Leaves with a petiole 1-5 cm. long or even more, very densely arachnoid, the blade rounded-ovate, often 3-lobate, rounded to more or less cordate at the base, the terminal lobe acuminate, the laterals short and generally rather obtuse, sometimes acuminate, 6-9 cm. long

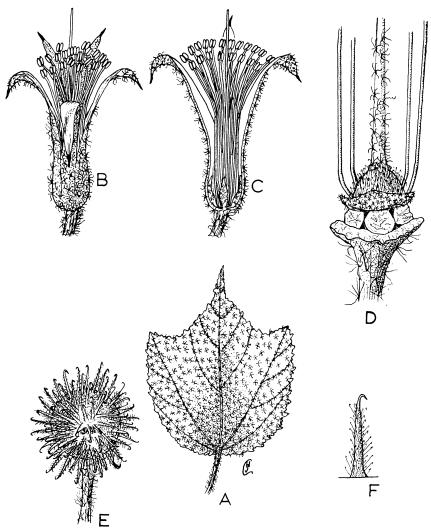


Figure 8. Triumfetta speciosa Seem.: A, leaf, lower surface (\times $\frac{2}{3}$); B, flower (\times $\frac{11}{3}$); C, id., longitudinal section (\times $\frac{11}{3}$); D, gonophore, urceolus, ovary, base of style and of 4 filaments (\times 6 $\frac{2}{3}$); E, fruit (\times 2 $\frac{2}{3}$); F, spine of fruit (\times 6 $\frac{2}{3}$).

and 5-7 cm. wide, the margins very irregularly and bluntly serrate, the serrations often glandular, discolor, the upper surface dark green, lightly scabrous-puberulous, the lower surface pale green, densely arachnoid, 3- to 5- to 7-palminerved, the nervation not prominent. *Inflorescences* axillary, the cymes of 1-2 cymules, usually opposite the bracts, these ovate and short-petiolate, the peduncles 4-10 mm. long, the pedicels 4-8 mm. long, both densely arachnoid. *Flowers* large, 3.4-3.7 cm. long, hermaphrodite, the sepals 5, linear-lanceolate, acuminate, the appendages ca. 2-3 mm. long, 3.4-3.7 cm. long and ca. 3.5 mm. wide, long-hirsute without, glabrous within; petals 5, narrowly lanceolate, acute, only 6-7 mm. long and ca.

1.5 mm. wide, very densely hirsute at the base outside, glabrous inside except a transverse densely hirsute band near the base; gonophore ca. 1 mm. long, the 5 glands usually forming a full ring subequalling the gonophore, the urceolus ca. 0.7 mm. long, slightly undulate and densely stellate-ciliolate; stamens ca. 20, the filaments 2.7-3 cm. long, glabrous, the anthers ca. 1.5 mm. long; ovary broadly transversely elliptic, ca. 1 mm. long and 1.5 mm. broad, covered with numerous, slightly arcuate spinules; style 30-34 mm. long, hirsute at the base, the stigma acute. *Fruit* orbicular on the slightly accrescent gonophore, the body 6-8 mm. in diam., rather densely stellate-puberulous, the spines 100 or more, ca. 3 mm. long, densely hirtellous, the spinules arcuate, 4-celled and each cell 2-seeded when young, at maturity with 6-8 distinct, 1-seeded locules; seeds ovoid, ca. 2 mm. long.

Throughout Central America, from southern Mexico to Panama; open areas on slopes of mountains or along the rocky banks of streams at altitudes of 1,300-1,700 m.

CHIRIQUÍ: near Hacienda de Boquete, volcano of Chiriquí, Seemann 1240; volcan de Chiriquí, Boquete Distr., 7,000 ft., Davidson 515, 895; Finca Lerida to Boquete, ca. 1,300-1,700 m., Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1115; vicinity of El Boquete, Maxon 5081, Pittier 2924; Bajo Lino, Boquete, 3,500 ft., Bro. Maurice 876.

2 TRIUMFETTA ARBORESCENS (Seem.) Sprague, Kew Bull. 1923: 351. 1923; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 37: 344. 1950.

Heliocarpus arborescens Seem., Bot. Voy. Herald 86. 1853.

Shrub or small tree, up to 5-6 m. high, the branches and inflorescence-axes ferruginous-tomentellous. Leaves with a slender petioles 6-9 cm. long, ferruginoustomentellous, the blade broadly ovate, usually 3-lobate, cordate at the base, the middle lobe long-acuminate, the laterals acute to acuminate, 10-13 cm. long and 7-10 cm. wide, the margins very irregularly serrate, the basal serrations generally glandular, discolor, the upper surface rather densely puberulous, the lower surface tomentose, usually 7-palminerved, the nervation slightly prominent beneath. Inflorescences terminal, the cymes of 3-5 cymules condensed in nodose clusters, the peduncles 2-4 mm. long, the pedicels 2-3.5 mm. long, both ferruginous-tomentellous. Flowers 8-10 mm. long, hermaphrodite, the sepals 5, obovate-linear, acute, the appendages ca. 1 mm. long, 8-10 mm. long (the appendages included) and ca. 1.5 mm. wide, palid and tomentellous without, yellow-brown and glabrescent within; petals obovate-spatulate, rounded, ca. 2.5 mm. long and 1 mm. wide, puberulous near the base; gonophore ca. 0.6-0.7 mm. long, with 5 distinct elliptic glands subequalling the gonophore, the urceolus ca. 0.4 mm. long and briefly ciliolate; stamens ca. 50-60, the filaments ca. 3-3.5 mm. long, glabrous, the anthers ca. 0.8 mm. long; ovary ovoid, ca. 0.7 mm. in diam., covered with straight spinules; style ca. 3.5-5 mm. long, glabrous; stigma very shortly 2-parted. Fruit suborbicular, the body 3-4 mm. long and ca. 2 mm. in diam., glabrescent, the spines ca. 75, 3-4 mm. long, sparsely hirtellous, the spinules straight to slightly arcuate, 2-celled, each cell 1-seeded; seeds pyriform, flattened, ca. 2.5 mm. long.

Costa Rica and Panama.

COCLÉ: Canton of Natá, on the banks of the Río de Santa Maria, Seemann 96 (type). PROVINCE UNKNOWN: Cowell 239.

 TRIUMFETTA GRANDIFLORA Vahl, Eclog. Am. 2: 34. 1798; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard 37: 363, 1950.

Triumfetta nemoralis St.-Hil., Juss. & Camb., Fl. Bras. Merid. 1: 221, t.56 (A). 1827.

Triumfetta longiseta DC., Pl. Rar. Jard. Genève 64. 1829.

Triumfetta longicuspis Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 31(1): 229. 1858.

Triumfetta cymosa Triana & Planchon var. glabrescens Triana & Planchon, Ann. Sci. Nat., Bot., ser. 4, 17: 354. 1862.

Triumfetta cymosa var. hirsuta Triana & Planchon, loc. cit. 354. 1862.

Triumfetta grandiflora var. brasiliensis Hochr., Ann. Conserv. Jard. Bot. Genève 18: 100. 1914.

Triumfetta boyacana Moldenke, Phytologia 1:10. 1933.

Triumfetta Schunkei Macbr., Candollea 5: 381. 1934.

Shrub or small tree, 2-4 m. high, the young branches and inflorescence-axes more or less densely arachnoid, the hairs mostly stellate, the older branches glabrate. Leaves with a slender petiole 3-10 cm. long, arachnoid, the blade ovate to broadly ovate, rounded to cuneate at the base, long-acuminate at the apex, ca. 8-15 cm. long and 5-9 cm. wide, the margins irregularly serrate, the serrations often glandular especially near the base, both surfaces rather sparsely pubescent, the hairs mostly stellate, 3- to 7-palminerved, the nervation slightly prominent beneath. Inflorescences usually terminal, the cymes of 1-2 cymules, usually opposite the bracts, these narrowly ovate to narrowly elliptic, the peduncles ca. 4-7 mm. long, the pedicels ca. 3-6 mm. long. Flowers 12-18 mm. long, hermaphrodite, the sepals 5, narrowly oblong-lanceolate, acute, the appendages ca. 1-1.5 mm. long, 12-18 mm. long (the appendages included) and 1.5-2.5 mm. wide, sparsely hirsute to glabrescent without, glabrous within; petals 5, narrowly obovate-spatulate, rounded and subcrenate, 10.5-13 mm. long and 2.5-3 mm. wide, yellow, glabrous except the ciliate base; gonophore ca. 0.7-0.8 mm. long, with 5 distinct suborbicular glands, the urceolus undulate, ciliate and ca. 0.5 mm. long; stamens 20-30, the filaments 7-11 mm. long, glabrous, the anthers ca. 1 mm. long; ovary suborbicular, ca. 1.6-2 mm. long and 2.1-2.5 mm. broad, densely covered with uncinate spinules; styles 8-11 mm. long, glabrous; stigma obscurely parted. Fruit suborbicular, the body ca. 5-6 mm. in diam., glabrescent, the spines very numerous, ca. 200, ca. 4 mm. long, sparsely hirtellous especially near the base, the spinules uncinate, rather easily loculicidally dehiscent, 3- to 5-loculate, each cell 2-seeded; seeds pyriform, ca. 3 mm. long and 2 mm. wide.

Rather widely distributed throughout tropical America, though not abundant at any single locality, usually growing at altitudes of about 600-2,000 m. Only one specimen has been collected in Panama.

COCLÉ: vicinity of El Valle de Antón, alt. ca. 600 m., Allen 2027 or 2072.

4. TRIUMFETTA BOGOTENSIS DC., Prodr. 1: 506. 1824; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 37: 366. 1950.

Triumfetta pilosa H. B. K., Nov. Gen. Sp. Pl. 5: 343. 1823, non Roth, Nov. Pl. Sp. 233. 1821. Triumfetta sepium St.-Hil., Juss. & Camb., Fl. Bras. Merid. 1: 222. 1827.

Triumfetta dumetorum Schlecht., Linnaea 11: 377. 1837.

Triumfetta hispida A. Rich., Bot., Pl. Vasc in Ramon de la Sagra, Hist. Phys. Pol. Nat. Cuba 204. 1845.

Triumfetta grossulariaefolia A. Rich., loc. cit. 205. 1845, t.22. 1850(?).

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Triumfetta Botteriana Turcz., loc. cit. 32: 260. 1859.

Triumfetta orizaba Turcz., loc. cit. 32: 261. 1859.

Triumfetta Josefina Polak., Linnaea 41: 552. 1877.

Triumfetta vincentina Urb., Symb. Ant. 5:414. 1908.

Triumfetta valenciencis Kunth, Repert. Sp. Nov. Beih. 43: 464. 1927.

Triumfetta panamensis Johnston, Sargentia 8: 194. 1949.

Shrub 1-2 m. high, sometimes small tree up to 4 m. high, the branches covered with short stellate and long hirsute simple hairs especially when young. Leaves with a petiole 2-7 cm. long, covered with short stellate and long hirsute simple hairs, the blade broadly elliptic, usually 3-lobate, sometimes only obscurely so, rounded to subcordate at the base, the apex acuminate, 7-14 cm. long and 5-11 cm. wide, the margins irregularly and more or less bluntly serrate, the upper surface slightly hirsute and mostly with long simple hairs, the lower surface scatteringly puberulous with appressed stellate hairs and some spreading simple hairs, 5-palminerved, the nervation slightly prominent beneath. Inflorescences axillary or oppositifolious, the cymes of 2-3 cymules, the bracts lanceolate to narrowly elliptic, 3-10 cm. long and 1-5 cm. wide, the bracteoles narrowly lanceolate, ca. 3 mm. long, long-hirsute, the peduncles 4-7 mm. long, the pedicels 3-4 mm. long, both long-hirsute. Flowers 8-13 mm. long, hermaphrodite, the sepals linear, acute, the apical appendage ca. 1.8-2.5 mm. long, 8-13 mm. long (the appendages included) and ca. 1.5 mm. wide, fleshy, long-hirsute without, glabrous within; petals 5, narrowly obovate, ciliate at the base, more or less acute at the apex, 7-9 mm. long and ca. 2 mm. wide, yellow, sometimes orange; gonophore ca. 0.75 mm. long, bearing 5 distinct suborbicular glands subequalling the gonophore, the urceolus undulate, ciliate and ca. 0.5 mm. long; stamens 25-30, the filaments ca. 4-7 mm. long, glabrous, the anthers ca. 1 mm. long; ovary suborbicular, ca. I mm. in diam., densely covered with uncinate spinules; style filiform, 6-7 mm. long, glabrous; stigma obscurely 3-lobulate. Fruit spheroid on the slightly accrescent gonophore, the body ca. 4 mm. in diam., stellate-hirsute, the spines about 75, ca. 3-4 mm. long, retrorsely pilosulose, the spinules uncinate, 3- or 4-loculate, each cell 2-seeded; seeds lenticular, 2-3 mm. long and ca. 2 mm. wide.

A weedy species widely distributed throughout tropical America, growing in open sunlight, on hill-slopes, usually at altitudes of about 600-2,000 m.

CANAL ZONE: banks of the Chagres River, near sea level, Maxon 4799; Gamboa, Standley 28500, 28511, Las Cascadas Plantation, near Summit, Standley 29603; Empire to Mandinga, Piper 5452, 5453, 5462; Río Grande, near Culebra, alt. 50-100 m., Pittier 2128; Cerro Gordo, near Culebra, Standley 26024; vicinity of Miraflores, P. & G. White 52; along the

old Las Cruces Trail, between Fort Clayton and Corozal, Standley 29204; Balboa, Standley 25613; along an old trail above the Reservoir, 1 to 3 miles from Gorgona, alt. 40-150 m., Maxon 4730; base of Contractors Hill, Dwyer 2871. Chiriqui: Bajo Mona, mouth of Quebrada Chiquero, along Río Caldera, ca. 1,500-2,000 m., Woodson, Allen & Seibert 1002; vicinity of Bajo Mona and Quebrada Chiquero, alt. 1,500 m., Woodson & Schery 592; Boquete, alt. 4,000 ft., Davidson 861; vicinity of El Boquete, Bro. Maurice 692. Panama: Standley 26789; Tumba Muerto Road, near Panama, Standley 29762; vicinity of Juan Franco Race Track, near Panama, Standley 27697; vicinity of Bella Vista, Piper 5355; Sabanas, Bro. Paul 234; between Las Sabanas and Matias Hernández, Standley 31838; Agricultural Experiment Station at Matias Hernández, Pittier 6914, 6925; near Matias Hernández, Standley 28964; San José Island, Johnston 1112. PROVINCE UNKNOWN: Hayes 325.

5. TRIUMFETTA LAPPULA L., Sp. Pl. 444. 1753; Lay, Ann. Missouri Bot. Gard. 37: 378, fig. 12. 1950.

Triumfetta heterophylla Lam., Encycl. Méth. Bot. 3: 420. 1789. Triumfetta sinuosa Miq., Linnaea 22: 466. 1849. Triumfetta Hostmanni Miq., loc. cit. 466. 1849. Triumfetta Berterii Turcz., Bull. Soc. Imp. Nat. Moscou 31(1): 227. 1858. Triumfetta Salzmanni Turcz., loc. cit. 31(1): 229. 1858. Triumfetta quinqueloba Turcz., loc. cit. 36(1): 574. 1863.

Shrub ca. 0.60-2.50 m. high, the branches and inflorescence-axes ferruginouspubescent. Leaves with a petiole ca. 2-8 cm. long or sometimes slightly more, ferruginous-arachnoid, the blade broadly ovate, sometimes pandurate, often 3- to 5-lobate, the lobe tips, at least the terminal, acuminate, ca. 8-10 cm. long and 7-9 cm. wide, the margins irregularly serrate, the serrations usually glandular, the upper surface pubescent, the lower one arachnoid to pubescent, 3- to 5-palminerved, the nervation slightly prominent beneath. Inflorescences axillary, the cymes of 2, rarely 3 cymules, generally condensed, the bracts ovate to more or less elliptic, rarely obscurely 3-lobate, the peduncles and pedicels short, 1-2 mm. long, sparsely hirsute. Flowers 4.5-5.5 mm. long, hermaphrodite, the sepals 5, narrowly oblong, acute, with a very short apical appendage ca. 0.5 mm. long, ca. 4.5-5.5 mm. long and 0.5 mm. wide, fleshy, sparsely hirsute without, glabrous within; petals absent; gonophore and urceolus obsolete, the glands absent; stamens (5-)10(-15), the filaments ca. 3-4 mm. long, glabrous, the anthers ca. 0.5 mm. long; ovary suborbicular, ca. 0.6-0.8 mm. in diam., covered with numerous uncinate spinules; style ca. 3-3.5 mm. long, the stigma obscurely 2- to 3-parted. Fruit broadly elliptic, the body 3-4 mm. long and 2.5-3 mm. broad, lightly stellate-pubescent, the spines about 50, ca. 1.8-2 mm. long, retrorsely pilosulose, the spinules uncinate, 2- or 3celled, each cell 1-seeded; seeds pyriform, ca. 1.5-2 mm. long and 1-1.5 mm. wide.

Common throughout tropical America; usually in dry open habitats, often in secondary formations; known as cadillo and cepa de caballo.

BOCAS DEL TORO: Changuinola Valley, Dunlap 122, 372, 433; vicinity of Chiriquí Lagoon, Old Bank Island, von Wedel 1883, 1949, 2005; Water Valley, von Wedel 1710, 1779, 1825, 1847, 1854; Darkland, von Wedel 2618. CANAL ZONE: Chagres, Fendler 172; vicinity of Fort Sherman, Standley 30993; near Fort Randolph, Standley 28638; Mount Hope Cemetery, Standley 28828; Gatun, Bro. Heriberto 124, Hayes 370, 991; hills west of the Canal, near Gatun, Standley 27275; around the Agua Clara Reservoir, near Gatun, alt. 20-30 m., Maxon 4660; Barro Colorado Island, Shattuck 657, 728, Wetmore & Abbe 88, 174, Wilson 41, Wood-

worth & Vestal 627; Frijoles, Standley 27638; Darien Statjon, Standley 31523; Gamboa, Standley 28533; Obispo, Standley 31735; Summit, Standley 26941; around Culebra, alt. 50-150 m., Pittier 2145; vicinity of Miraflores Lake, P.White 279; Corozal, Standley 27392; vicinity of Corozal, Piper 5302, 5308; Ancon Hill, 600 ft., R. S. Williams 21; Balboa, Standley 27124, 32110. coclé: Aguadulce, near sea level, Pittier 4961; El Valle de Antón, trails near Finca Tomas Arias, 600 m., Allen 4229. colón: between France Field, Canal Zone and Catival, Standley 30242, 30423; Rio Viejo, vicinity of Puerto Pilon, 10 m., Allen 4100; Juan Mina plantation, Río Chagres, Region above Gamboa, 25 m., Allen 4125. DARIEN: trail between Caná and Boca de Cupe, vicinity of El Real, along road to Río Pirre, Stern, Chambers, Dwyer, Ebinger 610; locality unknown, Macbride 2686. HERRERA: vicinity of Ocú, 100 m., Allen 4056. PANAMA: vicinity of San Carlos, alt. 0-10 m., Allen 1138; between Capira and Potrero, 80-130 m., Dodge & Hunter 8626; along the Corozal Road, near Panama, Standley 26792; Sabanas northeast of Panama City, Bro. Paul 184; Paitilla, Bro. Heriberto 236; Punta Paitilla, Standley 30805; Bella Vista, Standley 25339; Agricultural Experiment Station at Matias Hernández, Pittier 6926; Rio Tapía, Standley 26126, 28057; near the big swamp east of the Río Tocumen, Standley 26698; Tocumen area, Dwyer 4884; Brujas, Mell s.n.; Taboga Island, Standley 27043, 27989. VERAGUAS: vicinity of Santiago, alt. ca. 50 m., Allen 1084. PROVINCE UNKNOWN: Carleton 122, Hayes 321.

9. DICRASPIDIA Standley

DICRASPIDIA Standley, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. 4: 226. 1929.

Shrubs or small trees, the pubescence of simple and stellate hairs, often also with gland-tipped hairs. Leaves alternate, petiolate, 2-stipulate, the stipules intra-axillary, persistent, unequal, one filiform, the other large, peltate and foliaceous, the blade dentate, palminerved. Flowers supra-axillary, solitary, large, hermaphrodite, actinomorphous, long-pedicellate, 5-merous; calyx subepiginous, valvate, the sepals provided along the margins and at the apex with long filiform appendages, persistent; corolla subepiginous, the petals free, longer than the calyx, glandless; stamens numerous, all fertile, subepiginous, free, the filaments short and filiform, the anthers 2-thecate, basifixus, versatile, longitudinally dehiscent from the apex to the base; ovary subinferior to inferior, 10- to 12-celled (probably initially 5-celled, but irregularly divided by false partitions), the cells many-ovulate; style simple, thick and short; stigma 5-dentate. Fruit baccate, surmounted by the persistent sepals, indehiscent, the epicarp thin; seeds, numerous, small.

A neotropical, monotypic genus, occuring only in Honduras, Costa Rica and Panama. This genus is easy to recognize by the characteristic leaflike, peltate stipules, by the numerous, long, filiform appendages of the calyx and by the position of the ovary which is almost inferior. The affinity of this genus to other members of the family is obscure.

1. Dicraspidia Donnell-Smithii Standley, Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Bot. Ser. 4: 227. 1929.—Fig. 9.

Shrub or small tree 3-10 m. high, the bark smooth, the branches whitish-tomentose and long-hirsute. Leaves rather short-petiolate, the petiole terete, 1-1.5 cm. long, whitish-tomentose and long-hirsute, the stipules unequal, one filiform and 1-1.2 cm. long, the other foliaceous, peltate, very short and eccentrically stipitate, suborbicular, up to 4.5 cm. in diam., sparsely pilose above and whitish-tomentose beneath; blade oblong to oblong-subobovate, somewhat asymmetric and slightly



Figure 9. Dicraspidia Donnell-Smithii Standley: A, leaves and stipules (\times $^2/_3$); B, flower (\times $^2/_3$); C, anther (\times $^{1}1/_3$); D, longitudinal section of ovary (\times $^{1}1/_3$); E, fruit surmounted by the persistent calyx (\times $^2/_3$).

cordate at the base, acuminate at the apex, 10-20 cm. long and 3-8 cm. wide, membranous, the margins very irregularly dentate, the teeth acute to more or less blunt, the upper surface dark green and sparsely pilose, the lower surface whitishtomentose, 5- to 7-palminerved, the nervation prominent beneath. Flowers longpedicellate, the pedicel slender, 4.5-5 cm. long, tomentose and long-hirsute; receptacle ca. 0.8 cm. in diam., tomentellous and long-hirsute; sepals triangularacuminate, 1-1.6 cm. long (without apical appendages) and 0.5-0.7 cm. wide at the base, tomentose and hirsute outside, densely sericeous inside, each margin provided with 4-5 filiform appendages ca. 0.7-1 cm. long, the apical appendage ca. 1-1.2 cm. long; petals obovate, irregularly and bluntly dentate, 3-4 cm. long and up to 2.8-3.5 cm. wide, thin-membranous, bright yellow, glabrous; stamens with unequal filaments, ca. 0.3-0.7 cm. long, glabrous, the anthers oblong, ca. 1.2-1.5 mm. long; ovary densely villous-arachnoid at the apex, the style thick, enlarged at the base, ca. 0.8 cm. long and 0.25 cm. broad at the base, arachnoid on the lower part, the stigma 5-dentate. Fruit baccate, transversely elliptic, ca. 1 cm. long and 1.5-1.8 cm. broad, hirsute-arachnoid; seeds ca. 0.4-0.5 mm. long.

In second growth and along streams.

BOCAS DEL TORO: banks of Changuinola River, Dunlap 439 (type); lower Changuinola River, Stork 286.

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