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PREFACE

The Botanical Survey of India carried out a series of plant explorations in Bhutan during 1963-65 with the specific object of studying the plant wealth, especially the medicinal plants as desired by the Government of Bhutan.

Explorations to different parts of Bhutan were conducted from Calcutta and Shillong by the scientific staff of the Botanical Survey of India at the Central National Herbarium and Headquarters Organisation at Calcutta and the Eastern Regional Circle of the Survey at Shillong. The present study includes an enumeration of plants, information on localities, dates of collection and medicinal uses wherever known. The present account, as the title indicates is a preliminary step towards the preparation of a detailed Flora of Bhutan.

The Botanical Survey of India is deeply grateful to His Majesty's Government of Bhutan for constant assistance, encouragement and kind courtesies, extended to all the concerned staff of the Botanical Survey of India during the several botanical explorations in Bhutan.

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INTRODUCTION

At the request of the Government of Bhutan and with the concurrence of the Government of India, the Director, Botanical Survey of India, organised the botanical explorations of Bhutan and sent fourteen expeditions with officers of the Central National Herbarium, the Eastern Circle and the Central Botanical Laboratory, as given below:

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Year and month of visit</i>	<i>Name of Officers who participated</i>	<i>Areas explored and plants collected</i>
1	1963 August	G. Sengupta N. P. Balakrishnan P. K. Haja B. M. Wadhwa	Phuntsholing Paro Chu - La Ha Valley
2	1963 October	S. K. Mukerjee K. C. Malick	Paro
3	1963-64 December-January	G. V. Subbarao	Phuntsholing Kamji
4	1963-64 December-January	K. Thothathri	Sanchi Sangura Dorokha
5	1963-64 December-January	G. Sengupta	Gaylegphug Surekhakha Shan Khara
6	1964 April-May	J. K. Maheshwari	Phuntsholing Chansilakha Chima Kothi Thimpu
7	1964 April-May	G. Sengupta	Shan Khara Gaylegphug Tama Buri Shengang
8	1964 September	J. N. Vohra P. K. Haja V. Abraham	Phuntsholing Thimpu Dochu La
9	1964 November	D. B. Deb	Gaylegphug Shan Khara Rani Camp Tama Manas Camp Dakpai Shengang
10	1964 November	S. K. Mukerjee	Sanchi Dorokha

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11	1965 March	N. P. Balakrishnan	Tashigang-Tobrang Sandrup-Jhonka Tashigang Tashiyangsti to Tobrang
12	1965 August-September	G. Sengupta J. N. Vohra	Thimpu Punaka Honshu Dochu La Lumichawa
13	1965 August-September	A. S. Rao	Sandrup-Jhonkar Tashigang
14	1965 November-December	N. P. Balakrishnan	Tashiyangsti Donga Lhunsti Monger Bangong La Tashigong Sandrup Jhonkar

PREVIOUS EXPLORATIONS

Botanical explorations in Bhutan started with Dr. William Griffith who entered Bhutan from the south-east, reached Dewangiri on 3rd January, 1838 and proceeded north via Tashigong up to Khumna, then turned to the west and passed through Lengloon, Tongsa, Punakha up to Thimphu. He then turned south via Chapcha, crossed the borders and reached Buxa Duar on 18th May, 1838. He made an extensive collection of 1700 specimens, which were sent from the Calcutta Botanic Gardens to the Court of Directors of the East India Company, with a view to their being examined and distributed to the herbaria of Great Britain and Europe. This collection was transferred to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, in 1858, one set of which, received back from Kew, is at present in the Central National Herbarium, Calcutta.

Sir J. C. White of the Indian Political Service, in his mission to Bhutan during 1905-07, made a considerable collection of plants, a set of which was presented to the herbarium, Indian Botanic Gardens, Calcutta.

R. E. Cooper led an exploration trip to the country in 1914-15, for 348 days and made extensive collections from western and central Bhutan, following more or less the same route traversed by Griffith. He made a number of important discoveries especially in the genera *Rhododendron* and *Primula*. His collections are preserved in the Herbarium, Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh.

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At various times between 1933 and 1949 the British Museum Natural History Division, London sent exploratory parties led by F. Ludlow, G. Sherriff, J. A. Hicks and K. Lumsden. These explorers covered considerable areas of Bhutan and made large collections of specimens which are now housed in the herbarium of the museum. The results of these expeditions appeared in the Bulletin of the above Museum at different periods (1955, 1956, 1958, 1960, 1961, 1962 and 1970).

PHYSICAL FEATURES OF BHUTAN

Situated between latitudes 26°40' and 28°0' N and longitudes 89°10' and 91°45' E, Bhutan is bounded on the north by Tibet, on the south by Assam and West Bengal, on the west by Sikkim and Chumbi Valley of Tibet and on the east by North East Frontier Agency. It is about 336 km in the longer east-west direction and about 144 km at the broadest region north to south, and covers an area of about 4662 sq. kilometers.

Bhutan is lying entirely in the heart of the Eastern Himalayas amidst the highest mountain ranges of the world, varying in height from below 300 m to 7500 m above sea-level.

The Mountain system: The mountain system is a series of parallel ranges running north to south and springing from the expansive snowy ranges which form the southern buttress of the Tibetan Plateau. These ranges are again cut into innumerable smaller hills forming a vast labyrinth of valleys running in several directions, while the main ranges divide the river systems.

The Chola Range descends from Pauhunri to the east of Donkhia La and divides the Teesta and the Amo Chu (Torsa River). There are many passes through this range, of which Nathu La and Jelep La deserve mention.

The Massong-chung-dong (Masang Kyungdu) runs down from Chomo Lhari, past Ha to Buxa Duar in the plains, and forms the watershed between the Amo Chu (Torsa River) and the Wang Chu (Raidhak River). The Dokyong La Range runs down from Chomo Lhari and divides the waters of the Wang Chu and the Mo Chu. The Black Mountain Range which separates the Mo Chu and the Manas river-systems also divides Bhutan into two ethnically distinct parts.

The Tawang Range to the east of the Manas river-system, originates from the snow ranges to the north-east of Tawang. One of its main

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ramifications forms the eastern boundary of Bhutan and ends in the hills to the east of Dewangiri.

Other noteworthy ranges are the Chiu-Li-La dividing the Ha Chu and the Paro Chu, the Bei-La Range between Paro Chu and the Wang Chu, the Yoto-La Range which springs from the snows to the east of Kula Kangri and divides the Manghee Chu and the Bumthang Chu and the Ra&ng-La Range springing from the snows near Kar-Chu Pass and dividing the Kuru Chu from the Mangbe Chu.

The River system: Bhutan is drained by a number of river systems, the important among which are : the Amo Chu or the Torsa which drains the Chumbi Valley ; the Wang Chu or the Raidhak with its tributaries, the Ha Chu and the Paro Chu which drain the valleys of Ha, Paro and Tashi-chodzong (Thimphu) ; the Mo Chu or the Sankhos which drains the valley of Punakha, one branch taking its rise on the southern slopes of Chomo Lhari and another in the snows to the east of Kala-tso ; the Manas, the largest of all, has its main source in the glaciers on the northern slopes of the Kula Kangri and its adjacent snows.

Soil: Along the southern boundary the soil is fine alluvium and in the areas near the rivers is mixed with sand. Further interior the upper layer of the forest floor is dark brown to nearly black in colour and rich in humus made up of decaying organic matters. From Gaylegphug to Sureylakha, the soil is very loose and micaceous at places. Along the roadcuttings large micaceous schists are visible at places. The forests have moist sticky soil, dark in colour. In the shallow valleys, through which the rivers and their tributaries flow, the soil is sandy alluvium and becomes coarse and gravelly higher up. Patches of ferruginous soil are seen in places and lime soil underlies the pine forest.

Climate: Climatologically Bhutan may be broadly divided into three zones — the southern, the central and the northern. These zones run more or less parallel to one another in a south-west to north-east direction. The maximum precipitation occurs in the southern zone. The rainfall, however, diminishes gradually towards the central and the northern zones. The southern zone receives an average annual rainfall of about 499 cm while the central and the northern zone receives 200-300 cm and less than 100 cm respectively. The south-eastern corner of Bhutan, south of the Tawang Range, which includes Dewangiri, has much less precipitation than other parts of the southern zone, as the monsoon current does not strike the hills directly. The south-east monsoon arrives earlier in the eastern part of the country in May. Heaviest rainfall prevails from June to August.

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VEGETATION OF BHUTAN

The general characteristics of the vegetation of Bhutan are dependent on the peculiar physical feature of the country and influenced by the strong moisture-laden monsoon winds from the south and south-east. As the ramifying outer spurs have a heavy rainfall, these are densely clad by moist tropical and subtropical forests. The deep valleys, running more or less parallel, receive moisture-laden winds and heavy precipitation, which allows a luxuriant tropical vegetation, in contrast to the comparatively bare slopes of the lateral transverse valleys with moist deciduous forests with or without sal (*Shorea robusta* Gaertn.) and pine (*Pinus roxburghii* Sarg.). At higher elevation, between 1800-3000 m., *Pinus wallichiana* A.B. Jacks., occurs. High ridges in the interior get enough moisture to develop a moist temperate flora comprising usually moss-clad and lichen-draped Rhododendrons, maples, poplars and birches. In some ranges the forest is dominated by Magnolias, Oaks, Acer, Strobilanthes, etc.

The portion of Bhutan lying north of Khasi Hills is deprived of the full force of the south-east monsoon up to an altitude of about 2000 m. Consequently lower ranges have a much drier climate than those of the same altitude in western Bhutan, the latter receiving unhindered the moist winds from the Bay of Bengal. Griffith accordingly described the hills and valleys of Bhutan to the north of Khasi Hills as bare of forests up to 1800 m (6000 ft.).

In the present survey, specimens of about 2000 species of Angiosperms, Gymnosperms and Pteridophytes were collected. All the specimens cited in this work are deposited in the Central National Herbarium, Calcutta (CAL) except those of Dr. A. S. Rao & Shri N. P. Balakrishnan which are housed in the Regional Herbarium, Shillong (ASSAM). It is estimated that the total number of species of plants occurring in Bhutan is four times as many as are enumerated in the present work. However, the present contribution is made to present available information on a region botanically little known.

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ENUMERATION OF SPECIES

PTERIDOPHYTES

N. C. NAIR

PSILOTACEAE

Psilotum nudum (Linn.) Beauv. Prodr. Fam. Aetheog. 112, 1805; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 589, 1880. *Lycopodium nudum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1100, 1753.
Yangtsi, 1200 m. March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41274.

EQUINETACEAE

Equisetum debile Roxb. ex Vaucher in Mem. Soc. Phys. Hist. nat. Genev. 1 : 387, 1822; Roxb. in Calc. Jour. nat. Hist. 4 : 468, t. 26, 1844; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 594, 1880.
Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43960.

This taxon has been treated as a subspecies of *E. ramosissimum* Desf. by Hauke (*Amer. Fern Jour.* 51 : 131-137, 1961). Mehra & Bir (*Amer. Fern Jour.* 49 : 86-87, 1959) have shown that these two horse tails differ in several respects and hence considered here as distinct species.

E. diffusum D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 19, 1825; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 594, 1880.

10 km north on the road from Deothong to Narfong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43178; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 305; Tashiyangtsi forest, Sept. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44297; near Ronglong on road to Tashigong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41167.

LYCOPODIACEAE

Lycopodium setaceum Buch.-Ham. in Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 18, 1825; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 590, 1880.

Kamji, Dec. 1963 *Subba Rao* 223a, 223b; Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41398; between Nyoth and Tashiyangtsi, Sept. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44199.

L. clavatum Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1566, 1753; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 591, 1880.

Dochu La, 3100 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1688; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 392; Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March & Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41427 & 44309; Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43562.

Lycopodium squarrosum Forst. Prodr. Fl. Austral. 86, 1786; Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1: 591, 1880.
Monger-Tashiyangtsi track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44680.

SELAGINEILLACEAE

Selaginella pennata (Don) Spring in Mém. Acad. Roy. Sci. Belgique 24 : 257, 1850; Alston in Proceed. Nat. Inst. Sci. India 11 : 225, 1945. *Lycopodium pennatum* Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal 18, 1825. Narfong 2 km west of Dantak, 1800 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43238.

S. intermedia (Bl.) Spring in Bull. Ac. Brux. 10:144, 1843. *Lycopodium intermedium* Bl. Enum. Pl. Jav. 2 : 269, 1830.
Near Deothong, 900 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44206.

S. argentea (Wall. ex Hook. et Grev.) Spring in Bull. Ac. Brux. 10 : 137, 1843. *Lycopodium argenteum* Wall. ex Hook. et Grev. in Hook. Bot. Misc. 2 : 384, 1831.
Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44206.

S. bryopteris (Linn.) Bak. in Jour. Bot. 22: 376, 1884. *Lycopodium bryopteris* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1103, 1753. *L. imbricatum* Roxb. in Cal. Jour. nat. Hist. 4 : 475, 1844 (non Forsk.).
Tashigong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43489.

S. monospora Spring in Mém. Acad. Sci. Brux. 24 : 135, 1850. *S. semicordata* sensu Burkhill in Rec. Bot. Surv. India 10 : 228, 1925. Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6116 ; Sham Khara, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 19 ; Shemgang, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 409.

OPHIOGLOSSACEAE

Botrychium lanuginosum Wall. ex Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil. t. 79, 1829. Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 469, 1883. *Sceptridium daucifolium* (Wall. ex Hook. et Grev.) Lyon in Bot. Gaz. 40 : 457, 1905 ; Nishida in Hara Flora East. Himal. 454, 1966.
Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 218.

PLAGIogyriaceae

Plagiogyria communis R. C. Ching in Acta Phytotax. Sini. 7 : 147, t. 35, f. 2, 1958. *Lomaria pycnophylla* Hook. Spec. Fil. 3, t. 148, 1860 (non Kze.). *Plagiogyria pycnophylla* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 129, 1883 (non Mett.); Panigrahi in Bull. Bot. Surv. India 2:313, 1960.

Bepa (on way to Lisipong Dongla-Lhuntse tract). Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44342; 4 km away from Tobrang towards Laurijumpa, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41440; 9 km north on road from Wamrung to Gomchu, 2600 m., Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43374; near Wamrung at 113 km to Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41151.

The species has been often called as *Plagiogyria pycnophylla* (Kze.) Mett. Ching (loc. cit.) from a study of the type of *P. pycnophylla* (Kze.) Mett. from Java concluded that the Javanese material is different from Yunan-Himalayan *P. pycnophylla* of authors.

Plagiogyria glauca (Bl.) Mett. *Plagiogyria* 273, 1858; Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* with Suppl. 127, 1892. *Lomaria glauca* Bl. *Enum. Pl. Jav.* 204, 1828.
Lespang, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44408.

MARATTIACEAE

Angiopteris erecta (Forst.) Hoffm. *Comm. Soc. Reg. Gott.* 12 : 29, t. 45, 1796; Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* with Suppl. 460, t. 285, 1892. *Polypodium erectum* Forst. *Prodri.* 81, 1786.

Rani Camp. Nov. 1964, *Deb* 229; 6 km N. E. to Monger towards Tashigong, *Balakrishnan* 44661.

SCHIZAEACEAE

Lygodium flexuosum (Linn.) Sw. in Schrad. *Jour.* 1800/2 : 106, 1801; Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* 457, t. 283, 1883; Ito in Hara Fl. East. Himal. 455, 1966. *Ophioglossum flexuosum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1063, 1753.

Malhashi Hill (Samchi), 650 m., Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10395; Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43135.

ANTROPHYACEAE

Antrophyum egiaceum (Don) Hook. Sp. Fil. 5 : 169, 1864. *Hemionitis coreacea* Don *Prodri. Fl. Nepal.* 13, 1825. *Antrophyum reticulatum* sensu Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* 401, 1883 (*pro parte*).
Geylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, *Deb* 135.

GLEICHENIACEAE

Dicranopteris linearis (Burm.) Underw. var. **anatom** Holtt. in Reinwardt. 4: 276, 1957. *Polypodium linearis* Burm. Fl. Ind. 235, t. 67, f. 2, 1768.

Gleichenia linearis (Burm.) Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1 : 428, 1880; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 4, t. 1, 1883.
 Sham Khara, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1125; Changtar (Samchi), 600 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10445, 10445a; Shemgang, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1269; Monger Dzong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44635.

Diplopterygium longissimum (Bl.) Nakai in Bull. Nat. Sci. Mus. Tokyo 29 : 53, 1950. *Gleichenia longissima* Bl. Enum. Pl. Jav. 250, 1828.
G. glauca sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 2, 1883 (*pro parte*).
 Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41378; Peme towards Lhunsti, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44474.

According to Holtum (*loc. cit.*) *Hicriopteris* does not deserve a generic status. He treats *Hicriopteris* sensu Ching (*Sunyatseria* 5 : 285, 1940) and Copeland (*Gen. Fil.* 28, 1947) non Presl (1849) as synonym of subgenus *Diplopterygium* under *Gleichenia*.

Gleichenia glauca (Thbg.) Hook. Sp. Fil. 1 : 4, t. 3B, 1844; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 2, 1883 (excl. syn. *G. longissima*). *Polypodium glaucum* Thbg. in Hoult. nat. Hist. 14 : 177, 1783. *Hicriopteris glauca* (Thbg.) Copel. Gen. Fil. 28, 1947.
 Shemgang, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 406.

ADIANACEAE

Adiantum capillus-veneris Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1096, 1753; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 84, 1892.
 On way to Munger from Nyalamdong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44572; Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41203.

A. caudatum Linn. Mant. Pl. 308, 1771; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 83, 1892 (*pro parte*); Pichi-Sermolli in Webbia 12: 674, fig. 7b, 1957.
 Birti, 650-850 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1322, 1322a; on way to Munger from Nyalamdong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44567; Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41220.

A. edgeworthii Hook. Sp. Fil. 2: 14, 1851; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India t. 17, 1867, *A. caudatum* Linn. var. *edgeworthii* (Hook.) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 84, 1883.
 Dakpui, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 358.

A. philippense Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1094, 1753. *A. lunulatum* Burm. Fl. Ind. 235, 1768; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 82, 1892.

Phunsholing, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 317, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1660;
Pakchang, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44580.

SINOPTERIDACEAE

Cheilanthes albomarginata Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. London 2, Bot. 1: 456, t. 52, 1880; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 94, 1892. *Aleuritopteris albomarginatas* (Clarke) Panigrahi in Bull. bot. Surv. India 2: 312, 1960.

Phunsholing, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 2390; from Kharcheng towards Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41822.

C. farinosa (Forsk.) Kaulf. Enum. 212, 1824; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 92, 1892 (*pro parte*). *Pteris farinosa* Forsk. Fl. Aeg.-Arab. 187, 1775. *Aleuritopteris farinosa* (Forsk.) Fée Gen. Fil. 154, t. 12B, f. 1, 1850-1852.
Dhoankhola, 3700 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10407.

Notholaena marantae (Linn.) R. Br. Prodr. Fl. Nov. Holl. 146, 1810; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 373, t. 213, 1892. *Acrostichum marantae* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1071, 1753.
Honshri, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1756.

GYMNOGRAMMACEAE

Coniogramme fraxinea (Don) Diels in Nat. Pflanzenfam. 1(4): 262, 1899. *Diplazium fraxineum* Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 12, 1825. *Syngramme fraxinea* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 386, 1883 (*pro parte*).

Dorokha forest, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10524; 10 km north of Narfong on road side, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41144.

C. serra Fée Gen. Fil. Mem. 167, 1850-1952; Heiron in Hedw. 57:309, 1915. *Gymnogramme javanica* sensu Bedd. Ferns South India 77, t. 232, 1864 (non Blume). *Syngramme fraxinea* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 386, 1883 (*pro parte*, non Suppl. 100, 1892).
Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41331.

Pityrogramme calomelanos (Linn.) Link Handb. Gew. 3: 20, 1833. *Acrostichum calomelanos* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1072, 1753.
Phunsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 135; Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 318; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44047; Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41268.

Syngamma vestita (Hock.) Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 154, 1866; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 368, 1892. *Gymnogramme vestita* Hook. f. Pl. t. 115, 1837; Sp. Fil. 5: 143, 1863. *Gymnopteris vestita* Underw. Bull. Torrey Bot. Cl. 29: 627, 1902.
Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 2405.

VITTARIACEAE

Vittaria elongata Sw. Syn. Fil. 109, 302, 1806; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 404, t. 238, 1892.
Tashigong Yangtsi Nyoth, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 413346; Narfong, 1100 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43268.

V. flexuosa Fée, Mem. 16, 1851-1852. *V. lineata* sensu Bedd. Ferns South India, t. 54, 1863 et Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 407, 1892.
Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 168; Changda Chungli Hill, 2000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10468; from Wamrung to Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41907; Shemgang, 2000 m, *Sen Gupta* 1233; Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41422, 41334a; Bepa, Nov. 1965, *Bilakrishnan* 44371.

CRYPTOGAMACEAE

Onychium siliculosum (Desv.) C. Chr. Ind. Fil. 469, 1906 *Pteris siliculosum* Desv. in Ges. Freunde Berlin Mag. 5:324, 1811. *Onychium auratum* Kaulf., Enum. 144, 1824; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 96, t. 49, 1892.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 38, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 315; Changtar, 350 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10357; between Samdrup Jhonkar and Deothong, 350 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41107; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43866.

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Tama, 1650-1850 m., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1168; Betni, 1500-1650 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1083; Birti, 600-1000 m., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1335; Tashigong to Yangtishali, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41307.

Pteris biaurita Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1076, 1753. *Campteria biaurita* Hook. Gen. Fil. t. 65A, 1841; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 116, 1892.

Dorokha, 1000 m., Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6118; Changtar, 3065 m., Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10313; Geylegphug, Dec. 1963, *Deb* 133, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 812; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 51; Tashigong Dzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41209.

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Between Gomchu and Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41162; on way to Munger from Nyalamdong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44575.

P. excelsa Gaud. Freyc. Voy. Bot. 338, 1829; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 114, 1892.
Tashiyangtsi to Tohrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41403.

P. longipes Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal 15, 1825; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 115, 1892.

Between Wamrung and Rongton, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44694; Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41840; Sham Khara, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1105; Sureylakha, 1350-1500 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 980.

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Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 205; Betnikhola 1500-1650 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1034; Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, *Deb* 133; way to Mungen from Nyalamdong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44566.

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 Phunsholing, Dcc. 1963, *Subba Rao* 52; Birti, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1299; way to Pakchang from Nyamaldong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44569; Tashigong Dzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41225.

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On way to Gonga, 6 km from Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41484; on way to Dongala from Sisipang, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44422.

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Betni, 1500-1700 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1040; Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41376; Nyoth forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44217.
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Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44217.
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Batase, 1700-1850 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1019.
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Without actual locality, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 132.
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Sureylakha, 1350-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 933.

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 Honshu, 2850 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1787; from Peme towards Chuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44472.

Davallia griffithiana Hook. Sp. Fil. 1: 168, t. 49 B, 1846; Hook. et Baker Syn. Fil. 96, 1868; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 60, 1892.
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 Sham Khara, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1118; Shemgang, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1267.

Nephrolepis cordifolia (Linn.) Presl, Tent. Pterid. 79, 1836; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 282, t. 144, 1892. *Polypodium cordifolium* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1089, 1753.
 Dorokha, 650 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10490; Sureylakha, 1350-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 960; Shamlchoru, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 73; Tashigong Dzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41208.

Oleandra wallichii (Hook.) Presl, Tent. Pterid. 78, 1836; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 287, t. 147, 1892. *Aspidium wallichianum* Hook. Exotic. Fl. 1: t. 5, 1823.
 Dochu La, 3100 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1734; Befra; on way to Lisipang Dongala-Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44344.

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 4 km away from Tobrang towards Laurijumpa, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41439.

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Peranema cyatheoides Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal 12, 1825 : Bedd. Handb.
Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 22, t. 11, 1892.
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Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 11, 1892.
Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 224.

C. spinulosa Wall. ex Hook. Sp. Fil. 1: 25, t. 12c, 1884; Bedd. Handb.
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Handb. Ferns Brit. India 10, 1883.
Sham Khara, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1120.

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Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 54, t. 26, 1892.
From Peme towards Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44469;
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Between Tashiyangtsi and Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41415.

Bolbitis deltigera (Hook.) C. Christ. Ind. Fil. Suppl. 3: 46, 1934.

Acrostichum costatum var. *deltigerum* Hook. Sp. Fil. 5: 262, 1863.

Gymnopteris costata (Hook.) Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 114, 1865; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 438, 1892.

Without exact locality, Nov. 1964, Deb 323.

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1836. *Aspidium caryotideum* Wall. ex Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil. 1: t.

69, 1823. *Cyrtomium falcatum* var. *caryotideum* (Wall. ex Hook.

et Grev.) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 211, 1883. *Phanerophlebia*

caryotideum (Wall. ex Hook. et Grev.) Copel Gen. Fpi. 111, 1947.

On way to Gonga, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41487.

C. hookerianum (Presl) C. Christ. Ind. Fil. Suppl. 1: 101, 1913. *Lastrea*

hookeriana Presl Tent. Pter. 77, 1836. *Cyrtomium caducum* Moore

Ind. Fil. 276, 1861; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl.

211, 1892.

Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41413.

Dryopteris fibrillosa (Clarke) Hand.-Mazz. Akad. Anz. Akad. Wien 49,

1922; Ching in Bull. Fan. Mem. Inst. Biol. 8: 424, 1938. *Lastrea*

filix-mas var. *parallelogramma* subvar. *fibrillosa* Bedd. Handb. Ferns

Brit. India 250, 1883.

Dochu La, 3250 m., Sept. 1964, Hajra 445.

D. atrata (Wall. ex Kunze) Ching in Sinensis 3: 326, 1933. *Aspidium*

atratum Wall. ex Kunze in Linnaea 24: 279, 1851. *Lastrea hirtipes*

sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 232, 1883 (*pro parte*).

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parallelogramma Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 249, 1883 (*pro*

parte).

Between Wamrung to Gomchu, 2600 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao

43373.

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mas var. *chrysocoma* Christ. Bull. Boiss. 6: 966, 1898. *A. chrysocoma* (Christ) Christ Bull. Acad. Geogr. Bot. 1902: 253, 1904.

Lastrea filix-mas var. *schimperiana* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India

Suppl. 58, 1892.

Honshu, 2850 m., Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1784.

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Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 295.

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Acrostichum appendiculatum Willd. Sp. Pl. (ed. 4) 5: 114, 1810.
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Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 424, 1892.
Betni, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1068.

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Monger-Tashigong Track, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44676.

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Handb. Ferns Brit. India Suppl. 48, 1892 (*pro parte*).
Samdrup Jhonkar Forest, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43845.

Polystichum auriculatum (Linn.) Presl, Tent. Pter. 83, 1836; Bedd.
Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 203, 1892. *Polypodium auriculatum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1083, 1753.
Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6117; Kamji, Dec. 1963,
Subba Rao 204, 238 : on way to Tashigong from Khar sang, March 1965,
Balakrishnan 41831 : 10 km above Deothong, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41128.

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Betni, 1500-1600 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1038.

P. stimulans Presl, Tent. Pterid. 83, 1836 : *P. ilicifolium* sensu Bedd.
Handb. Ferns Brit. India 206, t. 103, 1883 (non Don).
Yespong, 2000-2500 m, Sept. 1964, Hajra 465.

Polystichum lentum (Don) Moore Ind. Fil. 86, 1858. *Aspidium lentum* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 4, 1825. *Polystichum auriculatum* var. *lentum* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 204, 1883.
Betni, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1044.

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Chourni Hill, Dec. 1963, *Thothuthri* 10377.

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Aspidium polymorphum Wall. ex Hook. Sp. Fil. 4: 54, 1862; Bedd.
Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 218, 1892.
Betni (near Khola), 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1033.

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Handb. Ferns Brit. India 163, 1883 et Suppl. 32, 1892.
Between Shali and Nyoth, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41321.

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Athyrium oxyphyllum Moore, Ind. Fil. 49, 1857; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 170, 1892.
Sham Khara, 1650-1850 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1102; on way to Tashigong from Kharsang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41825; Nangadong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41839.

A. **fimbriatum** Moore Ind. Fil. 185, 1860; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 172, 1883 (*pro parte* excl. t. 83) et Suppl. 37, 1892.
Dham Dhum, 800 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6165; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43907.

A. **nigripes** (Bl.) Moore, Ind. Fil. Jav. 49, 98, 1858; *Aspidium nigripes* Bl. Enum. Fil. Jav. 2: 162, 1828. *Athyrium solenopteris* Bedd.
Handb. Ferns Brit. India 166, 1883 (*pro parte*).
Between Wamrung to Gomchu, 2550 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 4337.

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D. latifolium (Don) Moore Ind. Fil. 141, 1859; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 187, 1892 (*pro parte*). *Asplenium latifolium* Don, Prodr. 8, 1825.

Dorokha, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10530: Kamji, *Subba Rao* 348: Rani Camp, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 98.

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Thelypteris multilinata (Wall. ex Hook.) Morton in Amer. Fern Jour. 49: 113, 1959. Iwatsuki in Hara Fl. East. Himal. 485, 1966. *Polypodium multilineatum* Wall. ex Hook. Sp. Fil. 5: 11, 1863 (non *Aspidium multilineatum* Wall. ex Mett. 1858). *Nephrodium moulmeinensis* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 275, 1883 & Suppl. 73, 1892. *Abacopteris multilineata* (Wall. ex Hook.) Ching in fan Mem. Biol. 8: 253, 1938. Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 343.

T. multilinata (Wall. ex Hook.) Morton var. **bhutanica** N. C. Nair in Bull. bot. Surv. India 11 : 193, 1969.

This differs from the typical *multilinata* in (1) midrib, costa and veins glabrous on the lower surface (2) rachis and midrib of lamina hispid on the upper surface.

Hatipali, Nov. 1964, Deb 179.

ASPLÉNIACEAE

Asplenium nitidum Sw. Syn. Fil. 84, 280, 1806 ; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 157, 1883.

Rani Camp, Nov. 1964, Deb 201 ; Hatipali, Nov. 1964, Deb 152.

A. griffithianum Hook. Ic. Pl. 87, t. 928, 1854 ; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 142, 1883. Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6120.

A. paucivenosum (Ching) Bir in Bull. bot. Surv. India 4:3, 1962. *Ceterach paucivenosa* Ching in Bull. fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 2:210, t. 28, 1931. *Ceterachopsis paucivenosa* (Ching) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 10 : 9, 1940.

On way to Laurijumpa from Tibrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41447.

This is often mistaken for *Asplenium dalhousianum* Hook. from which it can be distinguished by the wavy midrib and large sori with prominently thick indusia.

A. bulbiferum Wall. ex Mett. Aspl. 51, 1859. *A. bulbiferum* auct (non Forst.) ; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 159, 1883.

On way to Gonga, 10 km from Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* s.n.

Asplenium indicum Sledge in Bull. Brit. Mus. Bot. 3 : 264, 1965. *A. planicaule* Wall. ex Mett. Aspl. 51: 1859 (non Lowe 1858). *A. laciniatum* sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 154, 1883 (non Don.).

This is often treated as a synonym of *A. laciniatum* Don. But it is different from the latter in having 1) sori elongated extending more or less up to the margin 2) membranous indusium 3) coarser texture of pinnule 4) pointed tips for lobes of pinnule and 5) scales uniformly thickened (Cf. Bir, 1962. Bull. bot. Surv. India 4 : 1).

Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Sibba Rao* 169; Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41914.

A. laciniatum Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 8, 1825 ; Bedd. Ferns South India t. 145, 1863 & Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 154, 1892.

6 km N. E. Munger towards Tashigong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44665.

A. nidus Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 1079, 1753. *Thamnopteris nidus* (Linn.) Presl Epim. Bot. 68, 1849; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 137, 1883.

Sureylakha, 1350-1400 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 982; Hatipali, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 143, 143a; 1 km to Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41834; 1 km away towards Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41801.

A. nidus var. **muscifolia** (J. Sm.) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 139, 1883; Holttum Fl. Malay. II Ferns 419, 1954.

Changla Chungli Hill, 1300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10665.

A. tenuifolium Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 8, 1825 ; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 159, t. 78, 1892.

Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41412.

A. unilaterale Lam. var. **unilaterale** Lamk. Encycl. 2: 305, 1786; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 152, 1883.

Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41414.

A. ensiforme Wall. ex Hook. & Grev. Ic. Fil. t. 71, 1829 ; Bedd. Ferns South India t. 125, 1863 ; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 241, t. 71, 1892.

2 km away from Jobrang towards Laurijumpa, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41429; Beha on way to Lisipang, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44372.

A. varians Wall. ex Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil. t. 172, 1830 ; Bedd. Ferns South India t. 129, 1863.

Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41855; 5 km away from Lhunsti towards Bomthong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44561.

Asplenium cheilosorum Kunze ex Mett. Aspid. 133, t. 5, f. 12-13, 1859; Wu et al. Polypod. Yaoshan, 178, t. 80, 1932. *Asplenium heterocarpum* Wall. ex Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. Lond. 2, Bot. 1 : 481, 1880; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 153, t. 77, 1883. Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 198, 347.

A. finlaysonianum Wall. ex Hook. Ic. Pl. t. 937, 1854. *Hemidictyuium finlaysonianum* Moore Ind. Fil. 50, 1857; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 195, t. 96, 1883. Dhoankhola (Samchi), Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10418.

BLECHNACEAE

Blechnum melanopus Hook. Sp. Fil. 3 : 64, t. 161, 1860: Bedd. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 133, 1892. Tobraung, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41431.

Woodwardia radicans (Linn.) Sm. in Mem Ac. Turin. 5 : 412, 1793; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 135, t. 68, 1892. *Blechnum radicans* Linn. Mant. 307, 1771. Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41354.

POLYPODIACEAE

Arthromeris himalayensis (Hook.) Ching in Contrib. Inst. Bot. nat. Acad. Peiping 2 : 99, 1933. *Polypodium himalayensis* Hook. Sp. Fil. 5:91, 1863. *Pleopeltis himalayensis* (Hook.) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 370, t. 212, 1883. North of Wamrung, 2500 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41148B; Lisipang, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44412.

A. lehmannii (Mett.) Ching in Contrib. Inst. Bot. nat. Acad. Peiping 2 : 96, 1933. *Polypodium lehmannii* Mett. Pol. 117, 229, t. 3, fig. 35, 1857. *Pleopeltis lehmannii* (Mett.) Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 260, 1868 & Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 370, t. 211, 1892. North of Wamrung, 2500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 4148A.

A. wallichiana (Spreng.) Ching in Contrib. Inst. Bot. nat. Acad. Peiping 2 : 92, 1933. *Polypodium wallichianum* Spreng. Syst. 4: 53, 1827. *Pleopeltis juglandifolia* (Don) Moore Ind. Fil. 78, 1857; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 368, 1892. Tashiyangtsi Forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44306.

Arthromeris wardii (Clarke) Ching in Contrib. Inst. Bot. nat. Acad. Peiping 2 : 92, 1933. *Polypodium wardii* Clarke in Jour. Linn. Soc. 25:99, t. 43, 1865. *Pleopeltis wardii* (Clarke) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India Suppl. 98, 1892.
 Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41411; Bepa, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44357.

Belvisia spicata (Linn. f.) Mirbel Hist. nat. des Plantes 4: 65, 1803.
 • *Acrostichum spicatum* Linn. f. Suppl. 444, 1781. *Gymnopteris spicata* (Linn. f.) Presl Tent. Pterid. 244, t. 11, f. 7, 1836 : Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 432, 1883 (*pro parte*).
 Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 240; Sureylakha, 1400-1700 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 964.

Colygonia elliptica (Thbg.) Ching var. **pothifolia** (Don) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 334, 1933. *Hemionitis pothifolia* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 13, 1825. *Selliguea elliptica* sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 392, 1883 (*pro parte*).
 Gongga, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41485; Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 199.

C. hemionitidea (Presl) Presl, Epim. Bot. 147, 1849. *Selliguea hemionitidea* Presl Tent. Pterid. 216, t. 9, f. 17, 1836.
 Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 196.

Crypsinus griffithianus (Hook.) Copel. Gen. Fil. 206, 1947. *Polypodium griffithianum* Hook. Ic. Pl. t. 951, 1854 & Spec. Fil. 5: 62, 1863. *Pleopeltis griffithianus* (Hook.) Moore Ind. Fil. 78, 1857; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 354, t. 199, 1892.
 Tashigong, 2800 m, March & Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41159 & 43912.

C. ebenipes (Hook.) Copel. Gen. Fil. 206, 1947. *Polypodium ebenipes* Hook. Sp. Fil. 5: 88, 1863, *Pleopeltis ebenipes* (Hook.) Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 138, 1866; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 363, 1892.
 Dochu La, 3100 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1729 ; Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 412.

Dipteris wallichii (R. Br.) Moore Ind. Fil. 80, 1857; Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 80, 1866; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 334, 1892. *Polypodium wallichii* R. Br. in Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil. tt. 168, 169, 1827.
 Rani Camp to Trama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 242.

Drymoglossum piloselloides (Linn.) Presl, Tent. Pterid. 277, 1836. *Pteris piloselloides* Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 2, 1530, 1763.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 177.

Drynaria propinqua J. Sm. in Jour. Bot. 4: 61, 1841; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 339, t. 189, 1883.
Sham Kharo, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 13; Chaisilakha, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 334, 334a; Nyoth, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44150.

D. mollis Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 216, 1866; Handb. Ferns Brit., India with Suppl. 341, 1892.
Dochu La, 3250 m, Sept. 1964, Hajra 411, 411a, 2413.

Lemmaphyllum carnosum (J. Sm.) Presl, Epimat. Bot. 158, 1849.
Drymoglossum carnosum J. Sm. in Hook. Gen. Fil. t. 78 A, 1841;
Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 411, t. 243, 1892.
Hatipate, Nov. 1964, Deb 177, 177a; Kamji, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 217.

L. subrostratum (C. Chr.) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 97, 1933. *Polypodium subrostratum* C. Chr. Ind. Fil. 567, 1906.
Pleopeltis rostrata sensu Bedd. Ferns. Brit. India t. 159, 1867 &
Handb. Ferns Brit. India 345, 1883.
Chaisilakha, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 292; Rani Camp, Nov. 1965,
Deb 76.

Loxogramme avenia (Blume) Presl, Tent. Pterid. 215, 1836 (non sensu Bedd.). *Grammitis avenia* Blume Enum. Pl. Jav. 117, 1828.
Samdrup Jhonkar, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41945.

L. involuta (Don) Presl, Tent. Pterid. 215, 1836; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 393, t. 228, 1883. *Grammitis involuta* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 14, 1825.
Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6120, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10506; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 144; Tashiyangtsi Forest, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41373.

Microsorum cuspidatum (Don) Tagawa in Hara Fl. East Himal. 495, 1966. *Polypodium cuspidatum* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 2, 182.
Pleopeltis leiorhiza Moore Index Fil. 346, 1862; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 372, 1892.
Betni, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1060; Dorokha, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10515; Sangure, Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6073; Tashigong, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41249; Munger, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44564.

- Microsorum membranaceum** (D. Don) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 309, 1933. *Polypodium membranaceum* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 2, 1825. *Pleopeltis membranacea* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 355, 1883. Narfong, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 4326; Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44536.
- M. superficiale** (Blume) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 299, 1933. Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41363.
- M. zipellii** (Blume) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 308, 1933. *Polypodium zipellii* Blume Fl. Jav. 172, t. 80, 1829. *Pleopeltis zipellii* Moore Ind. Fil. 348, 1862; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 357, 1892. Kharchang, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41802.
- M. punctatum** (Linn.) Copel. in Univ. Calif. Publ. Bot. 16: 111, 1929. *Acrostichum punctatum* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 2), 1524, 1763. *Pleopeltis punctata* (Linn.) Bedd. Suppl. Ferns. South India and Brit. India 22, 1786; Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 357, 1892. Dochu La, Sept. 1964, Hajra s.n.; Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, Hajra s.n.
- Neocheiropteris phyllomanes** (Christ) Ching in Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 110, 1933. *Polypodium phyllomanes* Christ in Bull. Acad. Geogr. Bot. Mans. 210, 1902. *Polypodium ovatum* Wall. ex Hook. et Grev. Ic. Fil. t. 41, 1827 (non Burm.). *Pleopeltis ovata* (Wall. ex Hook. et Grev.) Moore Ind. Fil. 78, 1857; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 354, t. 200, 1892. Nyoth, March & Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 41335, 44188.
- N. normalis** (D. Don) Tagawa in Jour. Jap. Bot. 27: 217, 1952. *Polypodium normale* D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 1, 1825. *Pleopeltis normalis* Moore Ind. Fil. 347, 1862; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 353, 1883. Narfong to Wamrung, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41905; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43911.
- Paraleptochilus decurrens** (Blume) Copel. Gen. Fil. 198, 1947. *Leptochilus decurrens* Blume Enum. Pl. Jav. 2: 206, 1828. *Gymnopteris variabilis* (Hook.) Bedd. Ferns Brit. India t. 272, 1868 et Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 429, 1892. Samdrup Jhonkar Forest, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 43830.
- Pleopeltis excavatus** (Bory ex Willd.) Sledge in Bull. Brit. Mus. nat. Hist. 2 (5): 138, 1960. *Polypodium excavatum* Bory ex Willd. Sp. Pl. 5: 158, 1810. *Pleopeltis simplex* Bedd. Handb. Ferns, Brit. India 347, 1883.

Dochu La, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1736; Nov. 1964, *Hajra* 410; Betni, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1071; Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 224.

Pleopeltis loriformis (Wall. ex Mett.) Moore, Ind. Fil. 346, 1862, *Polypodium loriforme* Wall. ex Mett. Über Farngatt. I: 92, 1857. *Pleopeltis linearis* sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 346, 1883 (*pro parte*). Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 408.

P. loriformis (Wall. ex Mett.) Moore var. *steniste* (Clarke) Panigr. & Patn. in Proc. nat. Acad. Sci. India B 34 : 481, 1964. *Polypodium lineare* var. *steniste* Clarke in Trans. Linn. Soc. 2 Bot. I : 559, 1886. *Pleopeltis linearis* var. *steniste* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 347, 1883. Lisipong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44409.

P. macrospheara (Bak.) Panigr. et Patn. in Proc. nat. Acad. Sci. India B 34 : 481, 1964. *Polypodium macrospaeum* Bak. in Kew Bull. 55, 1895. Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 42379.

P. macrospheara (Bak.) Panigr. et Patn. var. *asterolepis* (Bak.) Panigr. et Patn. in Proc. nat. Acad. Sci. India 34 : 482, 1964. *Polypodium asterolepis* Bak. in Jour. Bot. 230, 1888. *Lepisorus macrospaeus* (Bak.) Ching var. *asterolepis* (Bak.) Ching Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4: 74, 1933.

Gonga, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 414, 489; Monger, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44588.

P. pseudonuda (Ching) Panigr. et Patn. Curr. Sci. 34: 127, 1965. *Lepisorus pseudonudus* Ching Bull. Fan Mem. Inst. Biol. 4 : 83, 1933. Gomchu, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41163.

P. amarolepia Sledge in Bull. Brit. Mus. 2 : 136, 1960.
Sham Khara, Nov. 1964, Deb 29; Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 224.

P. bicolor (Takeda) Sledge in Bull. Brit. Mus. 2: 138, 1960.
Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41915.

P. nuda Hook. Exot. Fil. 1: t. 63 fig. 1, 1823. *Pleopeltis linearis* sensu Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 346, 1883 (*pro parte*). Chaisilakha, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 281a, b; Geylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Sen Gupta* 904; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Deb 29.

- Polyodium amoenum** (J. Sm.) Mett. *Über FarnGatt.* 1: 80, 1857.
Goniophlebium amoenum J. Sm. in *Hook. Gen. Fil.* t. 51, 1840;
 Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* with Suppl. 317, 1892.
 Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 203.
- P. argutum** (J. Sm.) Hook. Sp. Fil. 5: 32, 1863. *Goniophlebium argutum*
 J. Sm. in *Hook. Gen. ad. t. 51*, 1840; Bedd. *Ferns Brit. India*
 t. 6, 1865; *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* with Suppl. 323, 1892.
 Dorcha, *Mukerjee* s.n.; Dochu La, 3100 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta*
 1689.
- Pytrezia stenophylla** (Bedd.) Ching in *Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc.* 1: 55, 1935.
Niphobolus fissus var. *stenophylla* Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India*
 Suppl. 92, 1892.
 Tashiyangtsi to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41392; Shali,
 March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41297; Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44141;
 Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44526.
- P. boothii** (Hook.) Ching in *Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc.* 1: 62, 1935.
Polyodium boothii Hook. Sp. Fil. 5: 53, 1863. *Niphobolus boothii*
 (Hook.) Bedd. *Ferns Brit. India* t. 258, 1868.
 Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41319.
- P. adnascens** (Forst.) Ching in *Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc.* 1: 45, 1935.
Polyodium adnascens Forst. Prodr. 81, 1786. *Niphobolus adnascens*
 (Forst.) Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* 325, 1883 (*pro parte*, non
 Kaulf 1824).
 Kuruchu, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44510; Lhuntsi-Monger tract, Oct.
 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44606.
- P. flocculosa** (Don) Ching in *Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc.* 1: 66, 1935.
Polyodium flocculosum Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 1, 1825. *Niphobolus flocculosus* (Don) Bedd. *Ferns Brit. India* t. 162, 1866; Bedd.
Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 331, 1892.
 Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 73; between Deothong to
 Narfong, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43174; Tashigong to Yangtsi, March
 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41330.
- P. heteractis** (Mett. ex Kuhn) Ching in *Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc.* 1: 57,
 1935. *Polyodium heteractis* Mett. ex Kuhn in *Linnaea* 36: 140,
 1869. *Niphobolus heteractis* (Mett. ex Kuhn) J. Sm. *Ferns Brit.*
For. (ed. 2) 296, 1877; Bedd. *Handb. Ferns Brit. India* with Suppl.
 327, 1892.
 Sureylakha, 1400-1700 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 951; Kamji, Dec.

1963, *Subba Rao* 214; Deothong to Narfong, 1200 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43175; Tashiyangtsi Forest, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41366.

Pyrrosia manni (Gies) Ching in Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc. 1 : 55, 1935.

Niphobolus manni Gies Farngatt. *Niphobolus* 107, 1901. *Niphobolus fissus* auct. Pl. (*pro parte* non Blume).

Deothong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41944; Chenari Village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43146.

P. numularifolia (Sw.) Ching in Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc. 1: 47, 1935.

Acrostichum numularifolium Sw. Syn. Fil. 191, 419, t. 2, fig. 1, 1806.

Niphobolus numularifolius J. Sm. in Jour. Bot. 3: 396, 1841; Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 334, 1892.

Dorokha, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10486; Donger Village towards Monger, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44600.

P. mollis (Kunze) Ching in Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc. 1: 53, 1935. *Niphobolus mollis* Kunze Bot. Zeit. 121, 1848. *Niphobolus fissus* Bedd.

Ferns Brit. India Correction 2, 1870 & Handb. Ferns Brit. India with Suppl. 330, t. 179, 1892 (*pro parte*, non Blume).

Lapcheta Hill (Samchi), Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10386; Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 314; Chaisilakha, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 280 a, b; Shali, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41298.

P. stigmosa (Sw.) Ching in Bull. Chinese Bot. Soc. 1: 67, 1935. *Polypodium stigmosum* Sw. Schrad. Jour. 1800 : 21, 1801. *Niphobolus stigmosus* (Sw.) Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 329, t. 178, 1883 (*pro parte*).

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 874; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 122.

P. lanceolata (Linn.) Farwell in Amer. Midl. Natur. 12 : 245, 1931.

Acrostichum lanceolatum Linn. Spec. Pl. 1067, 1753. *Niphobolus adnascens* Bedd. Handb. Ferns Brit. India 325, t. 176, 1883 (*pro parte*, non Kaulf.).

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 873; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 74; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10406.

DICOTYLEDONS

RANUNCULACEAE

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A. balfourii Holmes ex Stapf in Ann. R. bot. Gdn. Cal. 10: 160, 1905.

Erect herbs with tuberous roots on open ground. Scarce.
 Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1562.

A. palmatum D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal 196, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 26, 1882.
 Erect herbs on open ground. Scarce.
 Chai la Pass, 3700 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 730.

A. spicatum (Bruhl) Stapf in Ann. R. bot. Gdn. Cal. 10: 165, 1905.
 Erect herbs on open ground. Scarce.
 Chai la Pass, 3700 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 730.

Anemone vitifolia Buch. Ham. ex DC. Syst. 1: 211, 1818; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 8, 1872.
 A herb with orbicular, cordate, radical leaves. Common on open slopes.
 Road to Tashigong, *Balakrishnan* 43886; Wamrung to Gomchu, 2500 m, *A. S. Rao* 43387; North of Narfong, *A. S. Rao* 43295.

Cimicifuga foetida Linn. Syst. ed. 12, 659, 1766; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 30, 1872.
 Shrubby plant with tender branches; leaves close, ternately decom-pound. Occasional on open slopes.
 Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 663.

Clematis acuminata DC. Syst. 1: 148, 1818; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 5, 1872.
 An extensive climber. Frequent on hill slopes.
 Changda chungli, on way to Dorokha, 1200 m, *Thothathri* 10561; Tobrang to Laurijumpa, *Balakrishnan* 41444.

acutangula Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 5, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 3, 1872.
 Climbers in thickets on open slopes. Occasional.
 Paro, 2000-2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5822; Shali, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44087; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44106; from Trichu to Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43431.

Clematis buchananiana DC. Syst. 1 : 140, 1818 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 6, 1872.

An extensive woody climber.

Nyoth, Oct. 65, *Balakrishnan* 44194 ; Kamji 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 250.

C. cadmia Wall. ex Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 5, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 2, 1872.

Climber with ternately decompound leaves. Common at lower altitudes,

North of Narfong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 44613.

C. connata DC. Prodr. 1: 4, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 6, 1872.

A climber of the open forest. Scarce.

Lumichawa, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1543.

C. gouriana Roxb. ex DC. Syst. 1 : 139, 1818 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 4, 1872.

A climber, common on the outskirts of the forests.

Way to Unoger, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44613 ; Phuntsholing, 150 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 155 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Tilothathri* 10522 ; Paro, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 757.

C. grewiflora DC. Syst. 1 : 140, 1818 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 6, 1872.

A climber of open forests. Occasional.

Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10518 ; near Narfong, Sept. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41170 ; Shali, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44104.

C. loureiriiana DC. Syst. 1: 144, 1818 ; *C. smilacifolia* Wall. As. Res.

14: 402, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 3, 1872.

Local name: Pinasi lahara.

An extensive climber with white flowers. On thickets in open situations on hill sides. The roots, ground to powder clear stuffy nose on inhaling.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, *Sen Gupta* 940 ; 2 km to Lhutsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44517.

C. montana Buch.-Ham. ex DC. Syst. 1 : 164, 1818 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 2, 1872.

A climber frequent in open jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5925 ; Longchaphaka near Thimpu, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5214 ; Honsu, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1673.

C. tortuosa (Wall. ex Hook. f. & Thoms.) C.E.C.F. in Kew Bull. 1929 ; 4, 1929.

Local name: Pinasi lahara.

Much branched climber, common on the fringe of forests. Bruised stem relieves headache on inhaling.

Sham Khara, 1500 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 10.

Delphinium altissimum Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 25, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 26, 1872.

Much branched herb with palmately lobed leaves. Rare.

Lumichawa 2500 m., Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1551.

D. nudatum Wall. ex Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 49, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 25, 1872.

A herb on open ground ; flowers pale blue. Frequent.

Honsu, 2000 m., Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1571 ; Gomchu, 2300 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43392.

D. vestitum Wall. ex Royle Ill. 55, 1839 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 26, 1872.

Hispidly hairy herb : flowers blue in long dense racemes.

Chai la pass, 3700 m., Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 731.

Naravelia zeylanica DC. Syst. 1 : 167, 1818 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 7, 1872.

A large climber in the outskirts of the forests. Fairly common at lower altitudes.

Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 194.

Ranunculus aquatilis Linn. Sp. Pl. 781, 1753.

A small herb in shallow water : leaves with capillary segments ; flowers small, white.

Paro, 2500 m., Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 777 ; Longchaphaka, Thimpu, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

R. contonensis DC. Prodr. 1 : 43, 1824. *R. pensylvanicus* Hook. f. & Th. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 19, 1872 non Linn. f.

A small herb on damp open ground ; stem prostrate ; flowers yellow.

Gomchu, 2400 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43437 ; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43956 ; Paro, 2500 m., Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5913 and 5952 ; Paro, 2200 m., Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 763.

R. diffusus DC. Prodr. 1 : 38, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 19, 1872.

A small herb near ditches : stem prostrate ; flowers yellow.

Chima Kothi 2000 m., Maheshwari 5307 ; Shemgang, 1950 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 391 ; Lumichawa, 2500 m., Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n. ; Chaisilakha 1500 m., April 1964, Maheshwari 5069 ; Thimpu, 2500 m., April 1964, Maheshwari 5170.

Thalictrum chelidonii DC. Prodr. 1: 11, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 11, 1872.

An erect much branched herb in shade of trees; leaves large with many, small, orbicular leaflets; flowers in terminal panicles, deflexed, lilac.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* 1831.

T. foliolosum DC. Syst. 1: 175, 1818; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 14, 1872.

Fruticose herb with large decomound leaves; flowers dull greenish purple. Frequent under shade of trees.

North of Narfong, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43274; Tashiyangtsi forest, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44332; Lumichawa, 2000 m, *Sen Gupta* 1702.

T. javanicum Bl. Bijd. 2: 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 13, 1872.

Erect herb with ternately decomound leaves; leaflets glaucous beneath; flowers white. Rare in shady place.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* 1776.

T. rostellatum Hook. f. & Th. Fl. Ind. 15, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 12, 1872.

A herb with slender branches; flowers white. Rather rare.

Honsu, 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

DILLENIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE AND N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Dillenia pentagyna Roxb. Pl. Corm. 1: 21, t. 20, 1795.

A small deciduous tree; leaves very large; flowers small, yellow in few flowered clusters on leafless branches.

Samdrup Jhonkar, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41958.

MAGNOLIACEAE

D. C. S. RAJU

Alcimandra cathartii (Hook. f. & Thoms.) Dandy in Kew Bull. 1927: 30, 1927. *Michelia cathartii* Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 79, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 42, 1872.

A tall tree frequent in temperate forests.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5110.

Magnolia globosa Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 77, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 41, 1872.

An occasional small tree.

Honsu, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Michelia doltsopa Buch.-Ham. ex DC. Syst. 1 : 448, 1818. *M. excelsa* (Wall.) Bl. ex Wight. Ill. 1 : 14, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 43, 1872.
Large tree, dominant in some evergreen forests in subtropical regions.
Rani Camp, 1650 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 210.

M. punduana Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 81, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 43, 1872.

A tall tree met with only once in evergreen forest.
Sangura, 1300 m., Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6063.

Talauma hodgsonii Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 1 : 75, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 40, 1872.

Local name : Chiuri.
Tall tree ; flowers pink ; scattered in tropical evergreen forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m., April 1964, Sen Gupta 1381 ; Ibid. Nov. 1964,
Deb 144.

SCHISANDRACEAE

D. C. S. RAJU

Kadsura heteroclita (Roxb.) Craib. Fl. Siam. Enum. 1: 28, 1925. *K. roxburghiana* Arn. Mag. Zool. & Bot. 2: 546, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 45, 1872.

Climber. Frequent in evergreen forests at lower elevations.
Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 190.

ANNONACEAE

DIBOKA DAS

Desmos dumosus (Roxb.) Safford in Bull. Torrey bot. Club 39: 506, 1912. *Unona dumosa* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 670, 1832.

An extensive climber of the lower hill forests ; ripe carpel moniliform.
Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 187.

D. chinensis Lour. Fl. Cochinchin, 1 L 352, 1790. *Unona discolor* Vahl Symb. bot. 2: 63, 1791.

A scandent shrub.

Chourini hills, Samchi, 300 m., Thothathri 10374 ; Phuntsholing,
Subba Rao 380.

Fissistigma polyanthum (Hk. f. & Thoms.) Merrill in Philipp. Journ. Sc. (Bot.) 15: 135, 1919. *Melodorum polyanthum* Hk. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 1: 121, 1855.

Small tree ; flowers sweet, scented, orange-red.

On way from Tama to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1196.

Miliusa macrocarpa Hk. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 1: 150, 1855.

Middle sized tree ; flowers pale pink.

Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1022 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 32.

M. roxburghiana Hk. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 1: 150, 1855.

Shrub with rose coloured flowers.

Birti, 600-900 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1336 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 301.

MENISPERMACEAE

A. S. RAO AND S. K. MUKERJEE

Stephania glabra (Roxb.) Miers. Contrib. Bot. 3:217, 1871. *S. rotunda* Hk. f. et Thoms. Fl. Ind. 197, 1855 non Lour.

Climbing shrub with peltate leaves in forest. Rare.

Gomchu, Sept. 1967, A. S. Rao 43411.

S. hernandifolia (Willd.) Walp. Repert. 1 : 96, 1842.

Climbing shrub with subdeltoid leaves. Occasional in the fringe of the forest.

Northern slopes, Chinari village, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43144 ; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10302.

LARDIZABALACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA, N. P. BALAKRISHNAN AND A. S. RAO

Holboellia latifolia Wall. Tent. Fl. Nepal 24. t. 16, 1824 var. *latifolia*.

Spreading woody climber with greenish purple flowers. Frequent.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1272 ; Tashiyangtsi Forest, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41381.

var. **angustifolia** (Wall.) Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1:108, 1872.

Flowers greenish yellow. Frequent.

From Gamdrithang towards Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41410 ; from Wamrung to Gomchu, 2700 m, A. S. Rao 43371 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, *Maheshwari* 5290.

BERBERIDACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE AND D. N. GEETI BAKSHI

Berberis aristata DC. Syst. 2 : 8, 1821.

Erect shrub with purple branches; leaves spinulose serrate near the tip; flowers yellow. Common on open slopes.

Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 695.

B. bhutanensis Ahrendt in Jour. Bot. (Suppl.) 79: 17, 1841, *B. wallichiana* DC. var. *pallida* Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 228, 1855, non Boissier.

A large shrub with lanceolate leaves. Rare.

Thimpu, 2500 m, *Maheshwari* 5179.

B. edgeworthiana Schneid. in Bull. Herb. Boiss. 8 : 263, 1908.

A tall shrub with spinulose serrate leaves.

Ha Valley, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* 656.

B. orthobotrys Bienert ex Ait. Journ. Linn. Soc. Bot. 19: 150, 1882.

A bushy shrub with yellow flowers. Common in the open.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

B. wallichiana DC. Prodr. 1: 107, 1824.

A small shrub with whorls of lanceolate, spine-tipped leaves at each node. Common at temperate region.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5846; Chima Kathi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5264.

B. sublevis W.W. Sm. var. *microcarpa* (Hook. f. et Thoms.) Ahrendt in Journ. Linn. Soc. 57: 58, 1861. *B. wallichiana* DC. var. *microcarpa* Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 226, 1855.

Erect shrub with grooved branches and narrow lanceolate, entire leaves. Frequent in open situation.

Honsu, 2000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Mahonia acanthifolia G. Don Gen. Syst. 1: 118, 1831.

A tall shrub with a few main branches from the basal part and pinnate leaves, whorled at the top of the branches; leaflets coriaceous, bright green with stiff spinulose margin. Common in evergreen type of forests.

Chima Kathi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5293.

Mahonia napaulensis DC. Syst. 2: 21, 1821.

A rare shrub.

Paro, Jelela Hill, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 795.

Podophyllum emodi Wall. ex Royle Ill. 64 & 379, 1839; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 112, 1872.

Unbranched herb with a pair of deeply palmately lobed orbicular leaves near the top; fruit ellipsoid, orange-red. A rare herb growing in shady places.

Laptakha to Sipkha, Ha Valley, 4500 m, 1963, *Sen Gupta* 668.

PAPAVERACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE AND G. SEN GUPTA

Meconopsis napaulensis DC. Prodr. 1: 121, 1824.

Tall herb with a dense rosette of basal leaves which are about 40 cm long with petiole and shorter cauline leaves; flowers bluish purple, about 8 cm in diam. A rare plant.

Chai la Pass, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

FUMARIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Corydalis leptocarpa Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Ind. 260, 1855.

A weak spreading herb with decumbent branches; leaves biternately pinnatisect, leaflets deeply cut; flowers violet. Frequent on damp hill slopes.

Shengang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1280; on road from Gomchu to Rongthang, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43321; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5085; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5310.

C. prainiana Kanodia & Mukerjee nom. nov. *C. casimiriana* Duthie & Prain ex Prain in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 65: 27, 1896, non Royle (1834).

A tender herb with prostrate or ascending branches; leaves small, trifoliate, trifoliate; racemes slender, 10-20 cm long; flowers yellow with dark magenta spots at the tip, about 1 cm long.

Due to the existence of *C. cachemiriana* Royle a new name is given to the present species to avoid confusion.

Dochu La, 3000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1830.

Dactylicapnos scandens (D. Don) Hatch. in Kew Bull. 1921: 105, 1921.
D. thalictrifolia Hook. f. & Th. Fl. Ind. 273, 1855.

Slender climbing herbs with decompound leaves : leaf-rachis ending in branched tendril ; flowers yellow in pendulous racemes.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1523 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 16 ; 84 km point on road from Narfong to Wamrung, 1800 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43321 ; G. E. Camp, 30 km from Samdrup, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43572.

BRASSICACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Brassica juncea (Linn.) Czern & Coss. in Czern Conspl. Pl. Clark. 8, 1959.

The Rai or Indian mustard is cultivated at lower elevations. It is frequently found as an escape.

On way to Tashigong from Kharsong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41811.

B. napus Linn. Sp. Pl. 666, 1753.

Erect herb with stout fusiform root ; flowers yellow. Cultivated and growing as escape.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 157 ; Phuntsholing, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5324.

Capsella bursa-pastoris (Linn.) Medik. Fl.-Gatt, I: 85, 1792.

A small herb with pinnatifid basal leaves and auricled caulin leaves ; flowers white on a long raceme ; fruit small, obovate, 5 mm broad or less. Common at temperate region.

Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5960 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5234 ; Thali, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41313.

Cardamine circaeoides Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 5: 144, 1861 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 137, 1872.

Slender herb with thin leaves ; flowers white, few on a short raceme. Frequent in damp places.

Narfong, 2 km north along the stream bank down the hill, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43246 ; 2 km north of Narfong, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43244 ; Gomchu, opposite to workshop, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43398.

C. scutata Thunb. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 2: 339, 1794. *C. hirsuta* Linn. var. *sylvatica* Hook. f. & T. Anders. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 138, 1872.

A small decumbent herb; lower leaves pinnatifid, lobes orbicular ovate, upper leaves entire, narrow; flowers white in terminal raceme. Common in damp situations.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5162; Tashigong, 1300 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41194; between Nyoth and Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44251.

Rorippa dubia (Pers.) Hara var. **benghalense** (DC.) Mukerjee, comb. nov.

Nasturtium indicum Hk. f. & T. Anders. var. *benghalense* (DC.) Hook. f. & T. Anders in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 134, 1872 non DC.

Erect herb; flowers yellow. Scattered near the foot of the hills.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1417; Phuntsholing, May 1965, *Maheshwari* 5324.

R. islandica Schinz & Thell in Viertylarhs. Nat. Ges. Zurich. 53: 538, 1908. *Nasturtium palustre* DC. Syst. 2:191, 1821; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 133, 1872.

Herb with weak ascending stem; radical leaves many, pinnatifid, caudine leaves deeply toothed; flowers yellow in lax raceme.

Chaisilakha, 1200 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 415; Paro, 2500 m, Dec. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5910.

Thlaspi arvense Linn. Sp. Pl. 641, 1753.

Erect herb, 20 cm high; much branched towards the top; flowers white. Common at subtemperate region.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1274; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 395; Lumichawa 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

CAPPARIDACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Capparis acutifolia Sw. ssp. **bodinieri** (Lévl) Jacobs in Blumea 12 : 431, 1965.

A thorny shrub, about 4 m high; flowers greenish. Rare plant in the open.

Tashigong hill behind hospital, 1300 m. March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41258.

C. acutifolia Sw. ssp. **viminea** Jacobs in Blumea 12 : 429, 1965.

Woody climber, thorns almost absent; flowers white with green striations and violet spots; fruits laterally compressed. A rare plant in roadside thicket.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1124.

Capparis multiflora Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 178, 1872.

Tall shrub with few branches, thorns slender; flowers white, fragrant. Frequent at lower elevations.

Kamji, about 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Shibba Ruo* 197 and 220; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5060; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1391.

C. olacifolia Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 178, 1872.

Tall shrub with spreading branches, thorns slender; flowers white with purple spot on upper petal. Fairly common near the foot of the hills.

Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5047; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10607.

VIOLACEAE

G. SIN GUPTA AND K. C. MAJICK

Viola arcuata Bl. Bijdr. 58, 1825. *V. distans* Wall. in Trans. Med. Phys. Soc. Cal. 7 : 227, 1834.

A small runner, leaves clustered at the nodes; flowers blue. Common in shady moist crevices of rocks.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 943; Sham Khara 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1110.

V. betonicifolia Sm. in Rees Cyclop. 37 : 7, 1817, ssp. **nepalensis** Backer in Beih. Bot. Centralbl. Abt. 36: 39, 1918.

A small herb on open situation.

Lumichawa 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1509.

V. diffusa Ging. in DC. Prodr. I : 298, 1924; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 183, 1872.

Small stoloniferous herb; leaves tufted, petioles winged; flowers pale purple. Scattered on open hill sides.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1112; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 286.

V. inconspicua Bl. Bijdr. 1: 58, 1825. *V. patrinii* Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 183, 1872 non Ging.

Small herb; flowers purple mauve. Common in open slopes.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1225; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5181; Paro 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 740; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5254.

Viola serpens Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 449, 1824 var. **serpens**.

A small runner, common in forest undergrowth.

Honshu, 2850 m, *Sen Gupta* 1622; Birth, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1225; Thimpu, 2500 m, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, *Maheshwari* 5066; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, *Maheshwari* 5282.

var. **glabra** Hook. f. & Thoms. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 184, 1872.

A small herb, stoloniferous. Fairly common.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 404.

var. **canescens** Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 450, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 184, 1872.

Stemless, hoary herb. Common on grassy floor.

Kamji, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 248.

FLACOURTIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Casearia glomerata Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 419, 1832.

A tall shrub : flowers inconspicuous ; fruits yellow when ripe Common in temperate regions.

On way to Deothong, 6 km from S. Jonkar, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43125.

C. vareca Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 418, 1832.

A shrub with oblong leaves : flowers dull-white ; fruits orange red. Common at low elevations in forest clearings.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, *Sen Gupta* 826 & 857 ; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 184 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 199.

PITTOSPORACEAE

Pittosporum napaulensis (DC.) Rehder & Wilson var. **rawalpindense**

Gowda in Journ. Arn. Arb. 32: 332, 1951.

Large tree : leaves narrowly lanceolate, acuminate ; fruits yellow with 4 red seeds. Occasional in the area.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 38.

POLYGALACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Polygala arillata Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Nepal. 199, 1825.

A shrub about 4 m high ; racemes pendulous, about 15 cm long ; flowers bright yellow. Scarce.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1516.

Polygala hyalina Wall. ex Hassk. var. *pusilla* Mukerjee in Journ. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc. 51 : 524, 1953.

Small tender herb; flowers yellow. A rare plant on open slope. Punakha 1500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1543.

P. persicariaefolia DC. Prodr. I : 326, 1824.

Erect herb with slender usually simple stem, flowers pale rose. Scattered in partial shade.

Lumichawa 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.; Punakha, 1500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1531; Kheri 3 km to Tashigong, 1200 m, A. S. Rao 43481; on way to Shali from Gunkhara, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44071.

P. sibirica Linn. Sp. Pl. 703. 1753.

A small herb with wiry stem, much branched from the base; flowers purple-violet. In open pastures on hill side. Scarce.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1285; Thimpu, 2500 m, Maheshwari 5248.

P. tartarinovii Regel in Bull. Soc. Si. 34: 523, 1861.

A small herb with pink flowers.

Punakha 1500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1525; on road to Rongthong, 5 km north of Gomchu, 1500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43422; 3 km north of Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43273.

CARYOPHYLLACEAE

N. C. MAJUMDAR

Arenaria bhutanica Majumdar & Babu in J. Arnold Arb. 50:626, 1969.

Slender grass-like herb with solitary flowers.

Chila on way to Paro, 4000 m, *Sen Gupta* 721.

A. blinckworthii McNeill in Notes R.B.G. Edinb. 24:128, 1962.

A. benthamii Edgew. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1:242, 1874 non Fenzl ex Torrey & Gray 1840.

Tall, slender, glandular pilose herb; leaves sessile, ovate lanceolate, acute, hairy; sepals oblong or linear lanceolate; petals obovate spatulate, lacerate; styles 2.

Chila, 4000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 607.

Brachystemma calycinum D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal 646, 1825.

A diffuse glabrous branching herb; leaves lanceolate, petioled; cymes terminating lateral branches or axillary; sepals oblong-lanceolate, scarious.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Sarbhang Div., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 909; Gaylegphug, 300 m, Sarbhang Div., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1376; Dhoankhola, Samchi 460 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10413; Changda-chungti hill, Samchi, 1525 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10540.

Cerastium holosteoides Fr. subsp. *triviale* (Link) Moschl var. *hallianense* (Nakai) Mizushima in J. Jap. Bot. 38:149, 1963. *C. vulgatum* var. *triviale* (Link) Edgew. & Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 228, 1874.
Annual herbs, pubescent throughout; cymes lax, glandular pubescent; bracts herbaceous.
Shemgang, Sarbhang Division, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1248.

Cucubalus bacciferus Linn. Sp. Pl. 414, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. I:222, 1874.
A pubescent rambling herb; leaves membranous; flowers drooping; petals greenish white; fruit pea-like.

Wamrung approach, 2130 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43353; Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1255; Yosipong 2130-2430 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 453.

Drymaria cordata subsp. *diandra* (Blume) J. Duke in Ann. Mo. bot. Gdn. 48: 253, 1961. *Drymaria cordata* sensu Edgew. & Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 244, 1874.
Glabrous herb with stipulate deltoid ovate or subreniform leaves; stipules lacerate, segments filiform; seeds 1-2, cochleate, densely tuberculate.

Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10311; Dorokha, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6127; Hatipaley forest, Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 887; Hatipaley near Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 164.

Sagina saginoides (L.) Karsten, Deutsche Fl. 539, 1882, *Sagina procumbens* sensu Edgew. & Hook. f. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 242, 1874 non L.
Small glabrous herb, leaves linear; pedicels recurved in young fruit, then becoming strict; flowers pentamerous, petals distinct.
Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1320; Dorokha Forest, 610 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10536; Shemgang, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 393; Honshu, 2850 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1808.

Silene nepalensis Majumdar in J. Ind. bot. Soc. 42: 649, 1963. *Lychnis multicaulis* Wall. ex Edgew. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 224, 1874.
Stem 60-90 cm tall, strict, laxly pubescent above; leaves linear-lanceolate; elongate racemes bearing few flowers; calyx oblong, campanulate; petals short, limb minute toothed.
Thileygaon, 3040 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 379; Geptem Hills, Paro Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1309.

Silene indica Roxb. ex Ott in DC. Prodr. I : 368, 1824. *Lychnis mutans*

Royle ex Benth. in Royle, Illustr. Bot. Himal. I : 80, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 225, 1874.

Stem dichotomously branched, finely pubescent; leaves ovate or elliptic lanceolate or orbicular; panicle lax, few flowered; calyx globose, inflated; petal limb short, purple, crenulate.

Honshu, 2850 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1767; Dochu La, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1674.

Spergula arvensis L. Sp. Pl. 440, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 243, 1874.

Leaves whorled, with scarious stipules; styles 5; seeds not winged. Lumichawa, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1970.

Stellaria alsine Grimm. in Nov. Act. Phys. med. Acad. Leop. Carol. 3,

App. 313, 1767. *S. uliginosa* Murr. Prod. Strip. Goet. 55 : Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 233, 1874.

Glabrous herb with 4-angled stems; leaves small ovate or oblong-lanceolate; cymes axillary and terminal; flowers white.

Shemgang, Sarbhhang division, *Sen Gupta* 1236; Dorokha, 610 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10496.

S. media (L.) Vill. Hist. Pl. Dauph. 3: 615, 1789; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 230, 1874.

Soft herbs, pubescent in 1 or 2 lines; leaves petioled below becoming sessile above; flowers in leafy dichasias; sepals 3-5 mm long. Seeds tubercled with hemispherical processes.

Dorokha, 610 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10478.

S. monosperma Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal 215, 1825.

S. crispata Wall. ex Edgew. & Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 229, 1874.

Tall herb; leaves large, sessile, linear oblong, acuminate, edges crisped; flowers small white.

Gomchu Hill, opposite workshop, 2270 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43401.

S. sikkimensis Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 230, 1874.

Decumbent herb, often tufted; stem shining below; villous with spreading hairs; leaves small ovate; sepals lanceolate, acuminate, pilose, larger than petals.

Opposite workshop at Gomchu, 2270 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43400; Sureylakha, 1500-2000 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 993; Dochu La, 3190 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 446.

Stellaria vestita Kurz in J. Bot. Lond. 11: 194, 1873. *S. saxatilis* Hamilt. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nep. 215, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 232, 1874.

Stem long, decumbent shining, upper parts densely woolly tomentose with closely set stellate hairs; cymes axillary on slender peduncles.

Nanga Valley, Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 744; Thimpu, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1625.

TAMARICACEAE

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Myricaria germanica Desv. in Ann. Sc. Nat. 4: 349, 1825.

Tall shrub with very small sessile leaves. Common on gravelly beds of hill-streams.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5821.

Tamarix troupii R. S. Hole in Ind. For. 19: 248, 1919. *T. gallica* Thiselton-Dyer in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 249, 1872 non Linn.

Much branched bushy shrub with minute leaves. On sandy soil river bank.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 833.

HYPERICACEAE

S. N. BISWAS

Hypericum elodeoides Choisy in DC. Prodr. 1: 552, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 255, 1874.

Small stoloniferous shrub with simple stem; leaves leathery, stem clasping; flowers yellow, about 2 cm in diam. Rare; grow in rock-crevice.

North of Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43341.

H. laalandii Choisy in DC. Prodr. 1: 550, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 257, 1874.

Small shrub with tufted slender stems up to 45 cm high, unbranched; leaves close, thick, with a foetid odour; flowers yellow, few in dense cymes. Frequent in temperate regions.

Thimpu 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1307.

H. napaense Choisy in DC. Prodr. 1: 552, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 256, 1874.

Small herb with slender much branched diffuse or prostrate stem; flowers few in a lax cyme, yellow, about 8 mm long.

Road to Tashigong, 17 km from Wamrung, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43929.

Hypericum hookerianum W. & A. Predr. 99, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 254, 1874. *Norysca hookeriana* (W. & A.) Wight Ill. Ind. Bot. I : 113, 1840.

Tall shrub about 2.5 m high; flowers about 5 cm in diam., golden yellow; capsule pyramidal about 2 cm long. Common in cool temperate region.

Dochu La, 3250 m, *Sen Gupta* 1826; 84 km point on road from Narfong to Wamrung 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43324.

H. uralum Ham. ex Don in Bot. Mag. t. 2375, 1823; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 254, 1874, *pro syn.*

Small shrub with distichous leaves; flowers yellow, 2.5 cm in diam. Common on hill slopes.

Tashiyangtsi Forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44328; 5 km north of Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43293; road to Tashigong, 36 km from Dewathiang, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43885; Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1219; Paro, 2000 m, *Mukerjee* 5834.

H. japonicum Thunb. Fl. Jap. 295, t. 31, 1784; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 256, 1874.

Small herb with diffuse tufted stem; cymes dichotomous, flowers yellow, 6-7 cm in diam. Common in damp places.

Dorekha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thethathuri* 10476; Ha Valley 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* 645; on way to Shali from Gumkhara, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44083; Tashigong, 1500 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 1221; Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1156; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1279.

THEACEAE

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Camellia kissi Wall. in As. Res. 13 : 429, 1820. *C. drupifera* Thiselton Dyer in Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 293, 1874 non Lour.

An arboreous shrub; leaves ovate, tomentose, serrate; flowers axillary, white. Common on the fringe of forests.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 380.

Eurya acuminata DC. Mem. Ternstr. 26, 1822; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 285, 1874.

A tall shrub; leaves up to 12 cm long, apex long acuminate; flowers small, in axillary fascicles, dioecious.

Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 276; Dorokha, 700 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10507.

Eurya cavinervis Vesque in Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr. 42: 158, 1895. *E. japonica* Thunb. var. *thunbergii* Thw. Enum. 41, 1864; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 284, 1814.

Small shrub with small axillary dioecious flowers. Common on road side.

Way to Laurijumpa from Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41470.

E. cerasifolia (D. Don) Kobuski in Ann. Miss. Bot. Gard. 25 : 326, 1938. *E. symplocina* Bl. Mur. Bot. Ludg. Bat. 2: 133, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 284, 1874.

A tall shrub with slender branches; silky tomentose. Common on road side.

7 km S.E. of Narfong towards Deothong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41934; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, *Subba Rao* 394; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1247.

Schima khasiana Thiselton Dyer in Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 289, 1874.

Tall tree with ovate serrate leaves; flowers white, 6 cm across, in the axils of fallen leaves. Frequent in evergreen forest at an altitude of 1000 m and above.

Lumichawa 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1518; way to Tobrang from Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41399.

S. wallichii (DC.) Korthals in Temminck Verti., Nat. Ges. Bot. 143, 1839; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 288, 1874.

Tall tree with lanceolate leaves, lateral nerves forked; flowers white, fragrant, about 5 cm across, in short terminal racemes. Quite common in the lower hills.

Samchi 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10405; Phuntsholing, 100 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 140; Tama, 1200-1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1181; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 238; Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41845.

SAURAUJACEAE

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Saurauia napaulensis DC. Mem. Ternstr. 29, 1822; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 286, 1874.

Small tree : leaves 25-30 cm long, secondary nerves prominent and parallel : flowers pink, in axillary panicles. Common in subtropical forest.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, *Subba Rao* 428 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5150 ; near Betnikhola, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1045 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 356 : 2 km west of Nugang Dantak Camp, 1800 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43264 ; road to Tashigong, near Nufong, 1700 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41134 ; Putlibher 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2110.

Saurauia punduana Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2: 40: 1831 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 287, 1874.

Local name : Mang, Mang-Ma.

A bushy shrub : leaves with prominent parallel veins ; flowers pink, 2 cm across, in trichotomous cymes in axils of fallen leaves. Scarce.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1138.

S. roxburghii Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2: 40, 1831 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 287, 1874.

Local name : Gogun.

A small tree : leaves 20-30 cm with prominent parallel veins ; flowers small, white or pink : cymes in axils of fallen leaves. Common in tropical and subtropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 911 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 195.

ACTINIDIACEAE

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Actinidia callosa Lindl. Nat. Syst. ed. 2. 439, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 286, 1874.

A scandent shrub : flowers white in lax umbellate cymes. A rare plant.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 60.

STACHYURACEAE

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Stachyurus himalaicus Hook. f. & Thoms. ex Bth. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 5: 55, 1861 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 288, 1874.

A small tree with straggling branches ; leaves membranous, strongly reticulate beneath ; flowers in hanging lateral spikes.

9 km on the road from Wamrung to Gomchu, 2700 m, Sept. 1965,
Balakrishnan 44270; 4 km to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, April 1965,
Balakrishnan 44270.

MALVACEAE

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Abutilon indicum (L.) Sweet Hort. Brit. 54, 1827; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 326, 1874.

Shrub or undershrub, younger parts and leaves covered with white down; leaves broadly ovate, cordate, long petioled; flowers yellow, solitary on long axillary peduncle; calyx persistent; fruit of 15-20 carpels, truncate or awned.

On roadside, 5 km north of Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43275.

Hibiscus lobatus (Murray) O. Ktze. Gen. Pl. 3 (2): 19, 1898. *H. solandra* L'Herit Strip. 1: 103, t. 49, 1788; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 336, 1874.

Erect herbaceous annual: leaves palmately lobed, lower often entire; flowers in terminal racemes, yellow, about 2 cm across; seeds black, tubercled.

Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43544.

H. pungens Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3: 213, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 341, 1874.

Erect annual shrubs, pubescent all over with bristly hairs and with scattered black dots; leaves long petioled, lamina deeply lobed; flowers about 10 cm in diam., yellow with purple centre. Common on rocks in subtropical regions.

Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 250; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 344; 3 km north of Narfong along road, 1900 m, Sept. 1955, *A. S. Rao* 43275; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1962, *Subba Rao* 145.

II. surattensis Linn. Sp. Pl. 696, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 334, 1874.

A tender herb with long trailing or climbing branches, covered with soft hairs and scattered recurved prickles; leaves deeply lobed; stipules broad and oblique; flowers yellow with a dark centre, axillary. A rare plant in the forest.

Local name: Kauscho.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 802; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10597.

Malva rotundifolia Linn. var. *reticulata* Mast. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 320, 1874.

Much branched herb with trailing branches; leaves suborbicular, long petioled; flowers violet-purple, 2 cm across, axillary. Rare.
Paro, 2500 m, Mukerjee 5953.

Malva verticillata Linn. Sp. Pl. 689, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 320, 1874.

Erect undershrub about 1 m high; leaves suborbicular, long petioled; flowers pink, small in dense axillary clusters. Occasional in the open area.

Paro, 2200 m, Sen Gupta 786; Ha Valley, 3000 m, Sen Gupta 629; Honshu 2500 m, Sen Gupta 1657; Thimpu 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5190.

Sida acuta Burm. f. Fl. Ind. 147, 1768. *S. carpinifolia* Linn. Suppl. Pl. 307, 1781.

An undershrub with glabrous, linear lanceolate leaves; flowers yellow, axillary. Abundant in forest clearings.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 846; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1224; Phuntsholing, Subba Rao 20; Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43545; Samchi, Thothathri 10342.

S. cordifolia Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 684, 1753.

Small undershrub with leaves and younger parts covered with a greyish down; flowers yellow, axillary. Rare.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, Subba Rao 371.

S. glutinosa Cav. Diss. 1: 16, t. 2, f. 8, 1787. *S. mysorensis* W. & A. Prodr. 59, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 322, 1874.

Undershrub, up to 30 cm high, covered with glutinous hairs all over; leaves cordate-ovate; flowers yellow, axillary. Occasional in shaded places.

Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43519; Samchi, 7000 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10433.

S. rhombifolia Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 684, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 323, 1874.

Tall shrub, much branched; leaves rhomboid ovate, hoary beneath; flowers yellow, solitary and axillary or clustered at the end of branches.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 298; Kheri camp, 3 km to Tashigong, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43543.

var. retusa (L.) Masters in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 324, 1874.

Leaves obovate, retuse. Rare.

Punakha, 1350 m, Sept. 1965, Sen Gupta 2033.

Urena lobata Linn. Sp. Pl. 2: 692, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 329, 1874.

Local name: Kurey pat.

Shrubby annual; leaves orbicular in outline, lower with angular margin, upper deeply lobed; flowers pink, few in each axillary clusters; ripe carpels covered with hooked bristles, separating from the axis.

Phuntsholing, *Sen Gupta* 2652; Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1008; Kheri, 3 km from Tashigong, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 12; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10326.

STERCULIACEAE

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Abroma angusta Linn. Suppl. Pl. 341, 1781; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 375, 1874.

A tall shrub with few branches; leaves orbicular with angular margin; flowers axillary, drooping; fruit truncate, erect, 5 angled. Rare.

On the way to Deothong, 5 miles from Samdrup Jankar, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43122.

Pterospermum acerifolium Willd. Sp. Pl. 3: 729, 1797; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 368, 1874.

Tall tree; leaves orbicular oblong with irregular or shallowly lobed margin, often peltate; flowers 1-3 in axillary or terminal clusters, 14-18 cm long; sepals linear oblong, mostly tomentose outside; petals white, shorter than sepals; capsule woody 10-15 cm long; seeds numerous with a membranous wing. Occasional.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 389.

Sterculia indica Merr. in Journ. Arn. Arb. 32: 246, 1952. *S. coccinea* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3: 151, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 357, 1874.

Small tree; leaves lanceolate, acuminate; flowers greenish yellow, in axillary drooping panicle; follicles 10-12 cm long, crimson on both surfaces. Scattered all over in evergreen forests at lower elevations.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1362; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 167; Samchi, 200 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10600.

S. villosa Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3: 153, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 355, 1874.

Tall or medium sized tree with white bark; leaves 5-7 lobed, orbicular in outline, 30-45 cm in diam; flowers small, unisexual, many in pendulous panicles; follicles rusty villous, about 5 cm long, spreading. Common at the foot hills.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 367.

TILIACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA AND K. C. MARICK

Corchorus aestuans Linn Syst. Nat. 2: 1079, 1759. *C. acutangulus* Lamk. Encycl. Meth. 2: 104, 1811; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 398, 1874.

Small herb ; leaves ovate or oblong, with two small tail like appendages near the base ; flowers small, yellow 2-3 together, opposite the leaves ; fruit a 6-angled capsule, angles alternately winged. Rare.

Punakha, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1538.

Grewia glabra Bl. Bijdr. 115, 1825. *G. laevigata* Masters in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 389, 1874 non Vahl.

Small tree ; leaves lanceolate, narrowed at both ends, 3 nerved ; flowers yellow, few on axillary peduncles, peduncles often 2-3 together ; fruit 4 lobed, black when ripe.

Local name : Chiuri.

Gaylegphug, 270 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 810 ; Samchi, 100 m., Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10434.

G. multiflora Juss. in Ann. Mus. 4 : 89, t. 47, f. 1, 1804 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 388, 1874.

A short tree with slender branches ; leaves distichous, usually lanceolate with 3 basal nerves ; flowers yellow, usually 3 on an axillary peduncle ; fruit 2-lobed.

On way to Deothong, 7 km from S. Jankar, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao*, 43119.

G. sapida Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 590, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 387, 1874.

An undershrub with a woody subterranean rootstock and ascending branches ; flowers orange-yellow, few on axillary peduncles which are often 2-3 together ; fruit obscurely 4-lobed. Scattered in open slopes of forest clearings.

Tama, 600 m., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1191.

Triumfetta annua Linn. Man. Pl. 1: 73, 1767 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 396, 1874.

Small annuals ; leaves ovate, long peduncled ; flowers 3 together on extra axillary peduncles, petals orange ; fruit globose, covered with hooked spines. Frequent on open ground.

Lumichawa, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1889 ; Punakha, 1500 m., Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2088.

T. cana Bl. Bijdr. 1: 116, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 396, 1874.

Local name : Prumdai.

Undershrub with ovate oblong to lanceolate leaves, pubescent with stellate hairs; flowers small, yellow in extra axillary cymes; fruits covered with hispid prickles. Occasional in jungle thickets.

Birti, 650-850 m, April, 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1312.

Triumfetta bartramia Linn. Syst. Nat. Ed. 10, 2 : 1044, 1759. *T. rhomboides* Jacq. Enum. Pl. Carib. 22, 1760 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 395, 1874.

Undershrub; leaves rhomboid, 3-7 nerved, often 3 lobed; flowers yellow in dense extra-axillary cymes; fruits pubescent and with hooked spines. Frequent along forest tracks.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1427 ; Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 268 ; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 111 ; Changtai, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10444.

Triumfetta pilosa Roth Nov. Sp. 223, 1821 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 394, 1874.

Local name: Pata Kuro, Babrum dai.

Undershrub with bulbous based bristles; lower bases lobed, upper ovate; flowers yellow in axillary cymes; fruits tomentose, and with hooked spines. Wide spread in the forests.

Maorey forest, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1095 ; Tama, 1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1167 ; Rani Camp to Tama 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 267 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10398.

ELAEOCARPACEAE

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Elaeocarpus lanceaefolius Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 598, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 402, 1874.

Short tree with ovate-lanceolate, serrulate leaves; flowers white in axillary racemes; drupe oblong-ovoid, 1-seeded. Rare.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 397.

E. tectorius (Lour.) Poir in Lamk. Encyl. Meth. Suppl. 2: 704, 1812.
E. robustus Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 597, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 402, 1874.

A short tree; leaves ovate oblong; flowers in axillary racemes; fruits 2-3 cm long, ovoid, with a hard rind and furrowed and pitted stone. Common in evergreen forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 191.

LINACEAE

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Anisadenia pubescens Griff. Notul. 4: 535, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 413, 1874.

Herb with slender prostrate leafy stem; leaves villous beneath with white silky hairs; flowers in terminal racemes, white.

— On road to Rongthong near Gumpa, 5 km north of Gomchu, 2500 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43417; 1 km north of Wamrung, 2500 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43332.

MALPIGHIAEAE

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Aspidopteris glabrescula A. Juss. in Ann. Sc. Nat. Ser. 2, 13: 267, 1840.
A. roxburghiana A. Juss var. 2 Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 420, 1874.

Local name: Shati lahara.

A climber with slender branches; flowers in axillary or terminal panicles; fruits with linear oblong wing. Frequent, overhanging hill slopes.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1088; Monger-Tashigong Track, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44673.

Hiptage benghalensis (L.) Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 43 : 136, 1874.
H. madabliota Gaertn. Fruct. 2: 169, t. 116, 1790; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 418, 1874.

An extensive climber; leaves coriaceous; flowers white with one petal yellow at base, fragrant, petals imbricate; fruit with 3 wings. Rare. Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41287.

GERANIACEAE

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Erodium malacoides Willd. Phyt. 1: 10, 1794; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 435, 1874.

Annual herbs; leaves opposite, 3-fid, with large coriaceous stipules; flowers pink, in few flowered axillary umbels, sepals awned; fruits trigonous, carpels beaked, separating from the axis on maturity. Abundant on forest floor.

Shemgang, 1900-2100 m., Nov. 1964, *Deb* 396.

Geranium grevilleanum Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3: t. 209, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 430, 1874.

Tall much branched herb with 5-7 oval leaves and bifid stipules; flowers 1 or 2 on slender axillary peduncles, about 3 cm in diam., petals pale pink with purplish eye. Scarce in open situation.

Dochu La, 3000 m., Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

G. nepalense Sweet Geran. 1 : t. 12, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 430, 1874.
 Much branched diffuse herb with lobed 5-gonal leaves and subulate-

lanceolate stipules ; flowers 1-2 on slender axillary peduncles, about 2 cm in diam., petals purplish ; ripe carpels separating septifragally from the axis with beaks coiling elastically from base to apex. Quite common in the open.

Shemgang, 1900-2100 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 403 ; Chaisilakha, 1800 m, Jan. 1964, Subba Rao 414 ; Chaisilakha 1500 m, Maheshwari 5122 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5936 ; Honshu, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1605 ; Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 699 ; North of Narfong, 900 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43283.

Geranium wallichianum D. Don et Sweet Geran. 1: t. 90. 1820 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 430, 1874.

Robust much branched herb, villous all over ; leaves 5-gonal, 8-10 cm across, stipules large ; flowers on long axillary peduncles, 4-5 cm across purplish ; beaks of ripe carpels coiling elastically towards apex. Rare in damp open place.

19 km from Gomchu to Rongthong, 2600 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43463.

ONALIDACEAE

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Oxalis corniculata Linn. Sp. Pl. 435, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 437, 1874.

A diffuse herb with prostrate stem and branches ; leaves orbicular in outline, 3-foliate ; leaflets obovate ; flowers small, yellow, subumbellate on axillary peduncles. Wide spread on grassy lawns.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1155 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Sept. 1964, Deb 450 ; Paro, 3500 m, Sen Gupta 716 ; Paro, 2500 m, Mukerjee 5940 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1526 ; Thimpu, 3000 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5199 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, Subba Rao 418 ; Dorokha, 600 m, Jan. 1964, Thothathri 10525.

BALSAMINACEAE

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Impatiens capillipes Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 4: 135, 1869 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 456, 1874.

Annual herb with very slender stem and branches ; leaves narrowly lanceolate ; flowers small, axillary on very slender pedicels ; posterior sepal produced to a short spur ; 5 valves of ripe fruit elastically spring away from the axis. A rare herb in damp situation.

Phuntsholing, May 1964, Maheshwari 5359.

Impatiens cathartii Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 473, 1875.

Tall herb, much branched : leaves 10-15 cm, long, elliptic, crenate ; peduncles axillary, stout, as long as 17 cm ; flowers in lax racemes, orange red with a long spur, rose coloured.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 218 m ; Kamji, 1000 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 107.

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I. cristata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 456, 1832 ; *I. scabrida* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 472, 1875 non DC.

Tall and robust much branched herb : leaves sessile or subsessile, lanceolate : flowers yellow in axillary panicles, spur incurved.

Thimpu, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1473.

I. angustiflora Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 480, 1875.

A slender herb with a simple or branched stem ; leaves lanceolate ; flowers yellow, in subterminal clusters on slender peduncles. Lip oblique and horned at the tip, narrowed to a long slender spur. Rather rare.

Krishnagiri Saddle, on road to Wamrung from Narfong, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43312.

I. drepanophora Hook. f. Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. 4: 22, 1905.

A slender herb with alternate leaves : flowers in axillary, lax racemes, yellow : sepals long-awned. A rare plant in damp situation.

Krishnagiri Saddle, on road to Wamrung from Narfong, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43309.

I. gigantea Edgw. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 20: 38, 1851. *I. sulcata* Wall. ex Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 4: 129, 1860 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 469, 1875.

Tall robust herb about 2.5 m high : stem furrowed, fistular ; leaves lanceolate, opposite or whorled, 5-12 cm long : flowers rose purple, in racemes or umbels on long, erect peduncles in the axil of upper leaves ; seeds rugose, 7-8 mm in diam., edible. Scarce in partial shade.

Dochu La, 3200 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

I. laevigata Wall. ex Hook. f. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 4: 146, 1860 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 473, 1875.

An undershrub with erect stem, woody below ; leaves oblanceolate ; flowers pale yellow streaked with pink, axillary, solitary or in dense or few flowered racemes. More or less common in damp situation in subtemperate regions.

On road to Gomchu, 4 km from Wamrung, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43367.

Impatiens paludosa Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 480, 1875.

A small herb with rigid stem; leaves thick, distant, lanceolate; flowers yellow in lax terminal or extra-axillary racemes; spur long slender, uncurved, clubbed at the tip.

Krishnagiri Saddle on road to Wamrong from Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43308.

I. racemosa DC. Prodr. 1: 688, 1824. *I. laxiflora* var. *khasiana* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 480, 1875.

Tall slender herb with membranous leaves; flowers pale yellow in subterminal peduncles. Rather rare.

Lumichawa, 1500 m, Sen Gupta 1556.

I. radiata Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 476, 1875.

A tall much branched leafy herb; flowers many, purplish yellow, corymbose on long stiff peduncles which are fascicled at ends of the branches; spur short, straight.

Dochu La, 3000 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1809; Honsu, 2800 m, Sen Gupta 1621; Gomchu opposite workshop, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43406.

I. spirifer Hook. f. et Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 4: 135, 1860; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 471, 1875.

Small herb with slender stem; leaves membranous, long petioled, narrowly ovate; flowers solitary on long, axillary, slender peduncles, pale rose-coloured, streaked with purple. Very rare.

Dochu La, 3200 m, Sen Gupta 1819.

I. tripetala Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2:453, 1632; Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 470, 1875.

A succulent annual, swollen at the nodes; leaves membranous, opposite, alternate or whorled; flowers deep mauve, solitary or fascicled, pedicels slender axillary. Common at lower altitudes.

On way to Deothong, 7 km from Jankar, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43116; from Deothong to Narfong, 1200 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43165; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1414; Phuntsholing, 200 m, Sen Gupta 222; Samchi, Thothathri 10412.

RUTACEAE

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Boenninghausenia albiflora. (Hook.) Meisner, Pl. Vasc. Gen. 2: 44, 1836; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 486, 1875.

Erect much branched herb with slender stiff stem; leaves 2-3 pinnate, leaflets obovate or obcordate, 1-2 cm, glaucous beneath; flowers many in a terminal much branched panicle, white or reddish; fruit of 6-8 free carpels, dehiscing ventrally. Common in subtemperate regions.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 240; and 257; Paro, 2500 m, Mukerjee 5828; Kamji, 1500 m, Subba Rao 372; Thimpu, 2500 m, Sen Gupta 1451; on road to Rongthong, 19 km from Gomchu, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43464; Rongthong, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43548; Garrison Engineers' Camp, 1900 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43585.

Citrus medica Linn. Sp. Pl. 2:782, 1753.

Local name: Samphor.

An arboreous shrub with short straggling thorny branches; leaves elliptic, leathery, with numerous oil ducts; flowers fragrant, white with purplish tinge, in few flowered axillary or terminal cymes; fruit 5-7 cm long, ovoid with an apiculate tip, rind rough, yellow when ripe. Occasional in the outskirts of the forest and widely cultivated.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1130; Shemgang, 1950 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 434; Phuntholing, May 1964, Maheshwari 5349; Samchi, Thothathri 10572; Sangreui, Mukerjee 5617.

C. reticulata Blanco Fl. Filip. 610, 1837.

Local Name: Suntala; the orange.

A short bushy tree with short thorns; leaves 5-7 cm rhomboid ovate, dark green; flowers white, fragrant, few in axillary cymes; fruits ± spherical, depressed at the apex, rind ± rough.

This is cultivated at lower elevations; occasionally planted near monasteries at Paro, Thimpu and elsewhere.

Evodia fraxinifolia (D. Don) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 490, 1875.

Local Name: Khanak Pa.

Small tree with stout branches, densely leafy; leaves pinnate, leaflets 3-5 pairs, oblong, about 20 cm long; flowers unisexual, yellow in axillary or terminal cymes; fruit red, edible. A common tree in subtropical forests.

Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1024; Sham Khara 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 3.

E. meliaeefolia Benth. Fl. Hongk. 58, 1861; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 490, 1875.

Small tree with slender stem and branches; flowers unisexual in lax cymes.

Kamji, 1500 m, Subba Rao 221,

Glycosmis arborea (Roxb.) DC. Prodr. 1: 538, 1824. *C. pentaphylla*

Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 499, 1875, p.p. non Corr.

A small shrub with pinnate leaves; flowers white, small in axillary or terminal racemes; berries white, globose. Common.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 309; Phuntsholing, Subba Rao 104; Samchi, 100 m, Thothathri 10257.

Micromelum integrerrimum (Roxb.) Wt. & Arn. ex M. Roem. in Fam.

Nat. Reg. Veg. 1: 47, 1846. *M. pubescens* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 501, 1875, p.p. non Bl.

A small tree with imparipinnate leaves; flowers small, fragrant many in large, terminal, corymbose panicles; berries orange, acid to taste. Scattered in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Sen Gupta 805 and 1355; Near Betni Bridge, 1050 m, Sen Gupta 1055; Phuntsholing, May 1964, Maheshwari 5357; Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10400.

Murraya koenigii Spreng. Syst. Veg. 2: 315, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 503, 1875.

A small tree with imparipinnate leaves; flowers dirty white, many in terminal, corymbose cymes; berries black when ripe. A rare tree in open forest.

Phuntsholing, May 1964, Maheshwari 5320; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1202.

M. exotica Linn. Mant. 563, 1771; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 502, 1875.

A small evergreen tree with imparipinnate leaves; leaflets small, shining; flowers white, fragrant, in short corymbs, axillary or terminal; berries ovoid, red. Frequent in lower hill forests.

Phuntsholing, Subba Rao 105.

Skimmia melanocarpa Rehd. et Wils. in Pl. Wilson. 2: 138, 1914.

S. laureola Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 499, 1875.

A small shrub often with procumbent branches, strongly aromatic; flowers white, polygamous, in dense terminal panicles.

Ha Valley, 3500 m, Sen Gupta 658; Honshu, 2000 m, Sen Gupta 1641; Chima Kothi, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5314; 1 km north of Wamitung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43346.

Toddalia asiatica (Linn.) Lamk. Tab. Encycl. 2: 116, 1797. *T. aculeata*

Pers. Syn. Pl. 1: 249, 1805; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 497, 1875.

A prickly rambling shrub; leaves 1-3-foliate, leaflets sessile; flowers white in axillary cymes; fruit 3-5 grooved, orange-coloured when ripe. Common in subtropical forests.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m., *Subba Rao* 447; Phuntsholing, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5348; Tama, 1450 m., Nov. 1964, *Deb* 313.

Zanthoxylum acanthopodium DC. Prodr. 2: 727, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 493, 1875.

A tall shrub with few long branches armed with compressed, large prickles; leaves with 2-6 pairs of leaflets, petiole and rachis usually winged; flowers apetalous, dense-cyme clusters in axils of fallen leaves; fruit of 1-seeded globose carpel, dehiscing ventrally; seed black and shining. Occasional above 1000 m.

Kamji, 1500 m., *Subba Rao* 255.

Z. armatum DC. Prodr. 1: 727, 1824. *Z. alatum* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3: 768, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 493, 1875.

Tall shrub; leaves with broad, winged rachis and petiole; flowers in loose panicles. In temperate regions in outskirts of forests.

Paro, 2500 m., *Mukerjee* 5887; Punakha, 1500 m., *Sen Gupta* 1520.

Z. oxyphyllum Edgew. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 20:42, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 494, 1875. *Fagara oxyphylla* Eng. Pflanzeng. 3: 4: 118, 1896.

Shrub with hooked prickles; cymes many flowered, terminal and axillary; petals 4, white. A rare plant.

Chima Kothi, 2500 m., April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5279 & 5302.

Z. tomentellum Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 493, 1875.

A small tree, velvety tomentose on younger parts and on lower surface of leaves; cymes axillary; flowers polygamous; petals 4. A rare tree.

Lumichawa, 2500 m., *Sen Gupta* 1539.

SIMRABAECAE.

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Brucea mollis Wall. ex Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 42: 64, 1873; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 521, 1875.

A shrub with large pinnate leaves containing a bitter principle; flowers small, in dense axillary panicles, tetramerous; fruits of 4 or less one seeded drupes from each flower, brown when ripe. Common along the forest roads.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 9; *Ibid. Sen Gupta* 307; *Ibid.* April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5703.

MELIACEAE

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Aphanamixis decandra (Roxb.) Kosterm. in Reinwardtia 7(3): 262, 1875.

A large or middle sized tree; leaves pinnate, about 30 cm long; leaflets about 20 cm long, oblong; flowers unisexual fragrant, in axillary panicles; capsules with 5 red, arillate seeds. Fairly common at subtropical forests.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 349.

A. polystachya (Wall.) Parker in Ind. For. 57: 486, 1931.

Amoora rohituka W. & A. Prodr. 1: 119, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 559, 1875.

Local name: Bandre, Lali.

A middle sized evergreen tree with a compact crown; leaves about 1 m long, leaflets elliptic, 12-15, about 20 cm long; flowers white, unisexual in axillary panicles; fruit capsular with a coriaceous rind; seeds with red aril. A common tree in tropical forests.

On way to Samdrup Jhonkar from Deothong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41954; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 54; Samchi, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10600; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 806.

Chisocheton paniculatus (Roxb.) Hiern in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 552, 1875.

A medium sized tree with pinnate leaves as long as 1 m or more; flowers small, polygamous, in large, laxly branched panicles; fruit capsular, globose-pyriform, 5-6 cm in diam. Frequent in tropical forests.

On way to Samdrup Jhonkar from Deothong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41948; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 150; Gaylegphug, 270 m, *Sen Gupta* 870 & 1409; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 181.

Dysoxylum binectariferum (Roxb.) Hook f. ex Bedd. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 25: 212, 1866; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 546, 1875.

A tree of medium height; leaves pinnate, about 50 cm long, leaflets 5-9, about 18 cm long; flowers small, 4-merous, in axillary panicles; capsule 5-7 cm in diam., reddish, with 4 purple seeds. Occasional.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 149.

D. dobara (Buch.-Ham.) Merrill in Journ. Arn. Arb. 23: 173, 1942.

D. procerum Hiern in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 547, 1875.

A large tree; leaves pinnate, up to 90 cm long, leaflets 7-10, up to 35 cm long; flowers small, numerous in spreading axillary panicles; fruit

a pyriform-globose capsule, 3-4 cm in diam. with 3-4 arillate seeds.
Occasional.

v Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 131.

~~Melia azedarach~~ Linn. Sp. Pl. 384, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 544, 1875.
A short tree with a spreading crown; leaves bipinnate or tripinnate,
leaflets many; flowers lilac in axillary panicles; drupe subglobose, 2 cm
in diam. Occasionally planted.

Punakha 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1838.

ICACINACEAE

Natsiatum herpesticum Buch.-Ham. ex R. Br. in Benn. Pl. Jav. Rar. 245,
1838; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 595, 1875.

A climber with distant, membranous leaves: flowers minute,
unisexual, many in extra axillary pendulous racemes; fruit is an oblique
compressed drupe. Fairly common in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 819; Tashigong, above
Mithidanga River, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44006; Phuntsholing, *Subba
Rao* 388; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10330, 10345.

AQUIFOLIACEAE

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Ilex dipyrena Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. I: 473, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 599,
1875.

A middle sized evergreen tree; leaves with spiny margin, spines
almost absent in older leaves; flowers unisexual, in subglobose axillary
clusters, white; fruit globose, 12-15 mm, scarlet. Scattered in open forest.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* 1523; Chima Kathi, 1700 m. April
1964, *Maheshwari* 5217.

I. fragilis Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 602, 1875.

A small tree with membranous glossy green leaves, reticulation of
nerves prominent beneath; flowers unisexual in axillary clusters, 5-
merous; drupe globose, red. Rare.

Chima Kathi, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5315.

I. insignis Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 599, 1875.

An evergreen tree; leaves thick and coriaceous, spinous toothed
when young; flowers unisexual, in axillary, clusters; drupes 15-20 mm
in diam. Rare.

Chaisilakha, 1200 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5120.

CELASTRACEAE

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Celasitus monosperma Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1: 625, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 619, 1875.

Climbing shrubs; leaves elliptic, serrulate, black above when dry, reddish brown beneath; flowers small, in low, axillary or terminal branched racemes; petals oblong; capsule ovoid with 1 seed, enveloped in orange aril. Fairly common at subtropical regions.

Kamji, 1000 m. *Subba Rao* 237 & 406.

C. paniculatus Willd. ssp. **multiflorus** (Roxb.) Ding Hou in Ann. Miss. Bot. Gard. 42: 231, 1955.

An extensive climber; leaves elliptic to elliptic oblong, chartaceous, 5-6 cm long; flowers small, in terminal racemes; capsule ovoid, less than 1 cm in diam., 1-3 celled, 3-6 seeded; seed with orange aril. Occasional. Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10422.

***C. stylosa** Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 401, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 618, 1875.

Scendent shrub; leaves elliptic, serrate; flowers small, in short axillary or terminal branched racemes; capsule yellow, 3-6 seeded, seeds with orange aril. Occasional.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1256.

Fuonimus grandiflorus Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 404, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 608, 1875.

Arborescent shrub; leaves obovate or obovate-oblong, shining and dark green above, pale beneath, serrate near the apex; cymes axillary, 3-flowered; flowers white, 2 cm across; capsule quadrangular, yellow; seeds enveloped in scarlet aril.

Paro, 2500 m, *Mukerjee* 5818.

E. theaefolius Wall. ex Lawson in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 612, 1875.

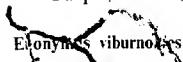
A small shrub with ovate, coriaceous leaves; flowers few in dichotomous, axillary cymes, red; capsule obscurely 4-angled, 1-seeded; aril scarlet. Scarce in subtropical and temperate forests.

Gomchu, opposite workshop, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43409; Sangra, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10573.

E. vagans Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 412, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 611, 1875.

Climbing shrub : leaves ovate lanceolate, up to 6 cm long, serrate, dark green above, pale beneath ; flowers in trichotomous cymes ; fruit minutely tubercled. Rare.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 387.

 *Erythroxylum viburnoides* Prain in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 73: 184, 1905.

A shrub, young branches faintly quadrangular below the nodes ; leaves thick, serrate ; flowers minute, in dichotomously spreading cymose panicles, axillary near the apex of the branches ; fruit faintly 4-ridged. Rare.

Chaisilakha, 1300 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5131.

Gymnosporia acuminata Hook. f. ex Lawson in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 619, 1875.

A shrub with slender branches and membranous leaves : flowers small, in axillary dichotomous cymes, pedicels and peduncles slender ; capsule obovoid or globose, somewhat compressed ; seeds black. Scarce.

Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1150.

G. thomsoni Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. 44: 2: 202, 1875.

A bushy prickly shrub : flowers small, in few flowered axillary or supra axillary cymes ; peduncles and pedicels slender : capsules red, 1-2 seeded. Common in subtropical forests.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1277 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 27 ; Sangura, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10474.

Microtropis discolor (Wall.) Wall. ex Arn. in Ann. Nat. Hist. 3: 152, 1839 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 614, 1875.

A small tree with membranous leaves : flowers pale yellow, in compact cymes : capsules obovoid. Scarce : branches emit a sweet fragrance when broken.

Sureylakha, 1300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 959 ; Dorokha, Dec. 1963, 1500 m, *Thothathri* 10466.

HIPPOCRATEACEAE

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Reissantia arborea (Roxb.) Hara in Journ. Jap. Bot. 40: 237, 1965 ; *Hippocratea arborea* Roxb. Pl. Corom. 3:3, t. 205, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1:625, 1875.

A small tree with climbing branches ; leaves membranous, up to

20 cm long, elliptic, serrate; flowers yellowish, many in axillary much branched cymes; fruit obovoid, about 8 cm long. Rare.

Birti, 600-750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1325.

RHAMNACEAE

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Berchemia floribunda (Wall.) Broming in Ann. Sc. Nat. 10: 357, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 637, 1875.

Local name: Kala laharey, Gaiyo.

A climber with branches armed with prickles; leaves ovate, up to 10 cm long; flowers small, in large terminal panicles; fruit oblong, red, about 2 cm long. Scarce in tropical forests.

Sham Khara, Moorey forest, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1094.

B. lineata DC. Prodr. 2: 23, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 638, 1875.
Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5244.

Gouania leptostachya DC. Prodr. 2: 40, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 643, 1875.

A shrub with scandent branches; leaves ovate, 8-10 cm long; flowers small, in axillary or terminal spikes, bracts conspicuous; fruit 3-winged; crowned by persistent calyx. Rare in forest clearings.

Sham Khara, Nov. 1964, *Deh* 51.

G. napalensis Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 417, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 644, 1875.

Large climber with ovate, alternate leaves; flowers in axillary and terminal racemes, bracts and bracteoles conspicuous; fruit 3-winged.

On way to Deothong, 7 km from S. Jankar; Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43120; Sangura, 1500 m, *Thothathri* 10541.

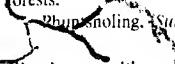
Rhamnus napalensis Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 375, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 640, 1875.

A rambling shrub; leaves thin, up to 15 cm long, dark green and shining above; flowers very small, in axillary panicles or fascicles; fruit obovate, less than 1 cm, enclosed at base by persistent calyx. Common at the fringe of the forest.

Changda chungli 1500 m, *Thothathri* 10588; Dhamdum Hill, Samchi, 500 m, *Thothathri* 10588.

Ventilago calyculata Tulasne in Ann. Sc. Nat. Ser. 4: 124, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 631, 1875.

A scandent shrub : leaves with 6 pairs of costal nerves : flowers small, in densely pubescent, terminal, paniculate spikes : fruit samaroid, nut girt at the middle by the adhering calyx-tube, prolonged into a linear, oblong, coriaceous wing which is about 3 cm long. Occasional in tropical forests.

 Phunsholing, Subba Rao 390.

Zizyphus mauritiana Lamk. Encycl. Meth. 3: 319. 1789. *Z. jujuba* Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 632. 1875 non Lamk.

Short tree, branches armed with prickles : leaves sub-orbicular, densely pale tomentose beneath, main nerves 3 : flowers small, in axillary clusters : fruit a drupe, reddish brown and shining, stone rugose. Common in waste places and open forests.

Phunsholing, Subba Rao 23 : Tashigong, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43490.

VITACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Ampelocissus divaricata (Wall.) Pl. in DC. Mongr. Phan. 5: 378. 1887.
Vitis divaricata Wall. ex Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 657. 1875.

A large climber : leaves digitately 3-5 foliolate, leaflets ovate, 15-20 cm long : flowers small, reddish brown, in small compact umbels, peduncles woolly ending in forked tendrils : fruit globose, about 2 cm, black, 3-4 seeded. A rare plant.

Punakha, 1500 m, Sen Gupta 1547.

Cissus assamica (Laws.) Craib in Kew Bull. 1911. 31, 1911. *Vitis assamica* Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 648. 1875.

A climber with harsh, subcoriaceous, suborbicular leaves, leaf margin bristly-serrate, recurved, nerves prominent beneath : flowers small, in leaf opposed cymes : fruit 6-8 mm, turbinate, black, 1-seeded. Scarce in tropical forest.

Phunsholing, Sen Gupta s.n.

C. elongata Roxb. Fl. Ind. I: 411. 1824. *Vitis elongata* (Roxb.) Wall. ex Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. I: 658. 1875.

An extensive climber with glossy succulent flattened branches ; leaves digitately 5-foliate : flowers small, in leaf opposed di- or trichotomous cymes : fruit 2.5 cm elliptic, smooth, black, 1-seeded. Rare in tropical forest.

Samchi, Thothathri 10452.

Cissus repens Lamk. Dic. 1: 31. 1789. *Vitis repens* Wt. & Arn. Prodri. 125, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 646, 1875.

A trailing or climbing plant with weak stem, branches fleshy; leaves cordate-ovate, pale green, membranous, with distant sharp spinous teeth on the margin; flowers small in leaf-opposed compound umbels; fruit dry, 1.5 cm in diam.

Samchi, Thothathri 10521; Kheri, 3 km to Kashigong 1000 m Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43522.

C. repanda Vahl Symb. 3: 18, 1794. *Vitis repanda* Wt. & Arn. Prodri. 125, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 648, 1875.

A trailing or creeping plant; stem and leaves with adpressed woolly tomentum; flowers small in corymbose cymes, whole inflorescence crimson; fruit pyriform, 2 cm. In open jungles, frequent.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1358.

Leea aequata Linn. Mant. 1: 24, 1767. *L. hirta* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1: 655, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 668, 1875.

Shrubs with large pinnate leaves; leaflets up to 30 cm long, with arched veins; flowers in short compact cymes; fruit black, 1.5 cm. Common in shade of tall trees.

Phuntsholing, May 1964, Maheshwari 5358.

L. acuminata Wall. ex Clarke in Journ. Bot. 19: 102, 1881. *L. sambucina* Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 666, 1875 p.p. non Willd.

A shrub, nearly 2 m tall, stem and branches stout and succulent; leaves large, bipinnate, leaflets thin and flaccid; flowers small in a crimson coloured compact cyme; fruit 2 cm in diam. Scattered in damp shady places of the forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, Sen Gupta 1420.

L. trifoliata Laws. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 666, 1875.

A small shrub, less than 1 m high; leaves 3-foliolate, leaflets thin and membranous, up to 20 cm long; cymes few flowered; fruit black, 1.5 cm in diam. Scarce in the fringe of forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 835.

Tetrastigma bracteolatum (Wall.) Pl. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 5: 428, 1887. *Vitis bracteolata* Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 483, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 654, 1875.

Local name: Korkoriya.

A climber with slender stem and branches; leaves 3-foliolate; flowers minute, numerous, peduncles and pedicels filiform, cymes divaricate; fruit about 1 cm, black, 2-3 seeded. Widespread in forests at low

elevations.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 822; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 198; Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1334; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 92; Sanchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10539; Chenari village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43155; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 775.

Tetrastigma lanceolarium Pl. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 5: 423, 1887. *Vitis lanceolaria* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1: 412, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 660, 1875.

A large climber, branches woody, covered with corky tubercles; leaves 5-foliolate; flowers unisexual in short compact axillary cymes; fruit subglobose, 2 cm. Frequent in subtropical forests.

Narfong, 2 km west of Dentak Camp, 1800 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43134.

T. serrulatum (Roxb.) Pl. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 5: 432, 1887. *Vitis capriolata* D. Don Fl. Nepal. 188, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 659, 1875.

Climber with slender wiry stem; leaves 5-foliolate, leaflets lanceolate, bristly serrate; flowers in axillary branched cymes, peduncle with conspicuous bracts, cymes often terminating lateral branches; fruit black, globose, 1-5 cm in diam., 2-4 seeded. Widespread at lower elevations.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 884 and Nov. 1964, *Deb* 129; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 422; Gomchu hill, opposite workshop, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 40402.

ACERACEAE

S. K. MUKERJI

Acer campbellii Hook. f. et Thoms. ex Hiern. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 696, 1875.

A tall tree; leaves 5-7 lobed, 10-18 cm across; pendulous cymes 5-15 cm long, axillary; fruit a double samara, wings widened above, back slightly curved, about 2.5 cm long. Scattered in subtemperate forests.

Chima Kathi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5274.

A. sikkimense Miq. in Arch. Neerl. Sci. Nat. 2: 471, 1852; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 694, 1875.

A large tree; leaves simple with 5-basal nerves, 7-15 cm long; flowers polygamous, in axillary racemes; fruit a double samara with divergent wings. Common in temperate regions.

Loughaphaka, Thimpu, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5215.

SAPINDACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Allophylus zeylanicus Linn. var. **grandifolia** Hiern, in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 673, 1875.

Local name: Sheti gach.

A tall shrub with unifoliolate leaves; flowers small in axillary raceme; fruit globose, red. Occasional.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 859.

Aphania rubra (Roxb.) Radlk. Sap. Holl. Ind. 21: 69, 1878.
Sapindus attenuatus Wall. ex Hiern, in Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 684, 1875.

A small tree; leaves pinnate rarely unifoliolate, leaflets up to 50 cm long; flowers small, red, many in axillary or terminal racemes; fruit 1-2 lobed, 2 cm long, dark purple, seed arillate. Frequent in forests at lower elevations. The aril is eaten.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 148; Birti, 900 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 333.

Dobinea vulgaris Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 249, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1: 696, 1875.

A tall much branched shrub; leaves aromatic, flowers small, unisexual, in terminal pyramidal panicles, bracts pink, prominent; fruit a compressed drupe, 1.5 cm in diam. Common at lower altitudes.

On way to Nyoth from Shali, Tashiyangtsi track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44129; on way to Bomthang, 2 km from Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44542.

SABIACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Meliosma simplicifolia (Roxb.) Walp. Rep. 1: 423, 1842. *Millingtonia simplicifolia* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1: 103, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2: 5, 1876.

A large tree; leaves membranous, ob-lanceolate, up to 40 cm long; flowers small, red, sessile in usually terminal panicles; drupes 5 mm. Occasional.

Tama, 1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1186; on way to Monger from Lhuntsi, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44619.

Sabia lanceolata Colebr. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 12: 355, 1819; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2: 2, 1876.

A scandent shrub, flowers small, fragrant, many in axillary corymbose cymes; drupe 1.5-2 cm, slightly oblique, blue when ripe. Frequent in dense tropical forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 899.

Sabicea leptodra Trin. sp. f. & Th. Fl. Ind. I: 209, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2: 2, 1876.

Local name: Kali lahara.

A shrub with scandent branches; flowers solitary, axillary, greenish purple, campanulate, about 2 cm in diam.; drupe orbicular-compressed, 3-4 cm in diam., pale blue. Fairly common at lower altitude.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 22.

S. parviflora Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 310, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2: 2, 1876.

Scandent shrub with slender branches; flowers small, few in axillary dichotomous cymes; fruits oblong, about 1 cm. Scattered in subtropical forests.

Tama, 1100 m, April, 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1146; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 158.

ANACARDIACEAE

Rhus insignis Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2: 11, 1876.

A small tree with large pinnate leaves; leaflets 3-4 pairs, coriaceous, elliptic, glabrous and shining above, rusty tomentose beneath; nerves many, parallel; flowers small in axillary panicles; fruit drupaceous, globose, 1.2 cm in diam. epicarp bursting irregularly. Rare.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1537; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1518

R. javanica Linn. Sp. Pl. I : 265, 1753. *R. semialata* Murray in Com. Soc. Sci. Goett. 6 : 27. t. 3, 1784; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 10, 1876.

A small tree, densely softly pubescent all over; leaflets 4-6 pairs, nerves many, parallel, petiole winged above; flowers small in axillary panicles; drupes compressed, orbicular, 1 cm in diam., red and shining; fruits acid and edible. Common in sub-temperate regions.

Lumichawa 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1491; Shali, Tashiyangtsi track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44112.

Tapiria hirsuta (Roxb.) Hook. f. ex Benth. & Hook. f. Gen. Pl. I : 423, 1862; Fl. Brit. Ind. I : 28, 1876.

A small tree, branches scandent, softly villous in younger parts ; leaves odd-pinnate, leaflets membranous ; flowers small in axillary or terminal panicles, sweet scented ; drupe 2 cm in diam., purplish black.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1430.

CORIARIACEAE

N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Coriaria nepalensis Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 67, t. 289, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 44, 1876.

A shrub with quadrangular, arched branches ; leaves opposite, 3-7 nerved ; flowers small red, in axillary, solitary or clustered racemes ; nuts enveloped by fleshy persistent petals. Common in the jungles in hill slopes.

Shali, between Tashigong and Yangtsi, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41309 ; 1 km from Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41476.

MORINGACEAE

K. C. MALICK

Moringa oleifera Lamk. Encycl. 1 : 398, 1785 ; *M. pterygosperma* Gaertn. Fruct. 2 : 314, 1791 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 45, 1876.

A short, soft wooded, deciduous tree, bark grey, spongy pungent ; leaves large, usually thrice pinnate ; flowers irregular, in spreading terminal and axillary panicles ; capsule 9-ribbed, 15-30 cm long. Cultivated in villages.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 373.

CONNARACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Connarus paniculatus Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 139, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 52, 1876.

An extensive climber; leaves odd pinnate, leaflets 3-7, elliptic, up to 20 cm long ; flowers in much branched, axillary or terminal panicles ; capsule shining, deeply striate, 3 cm long, compressed. Common at lower altitudes.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1310.

FABACEAE*

K. THOJATHIRI

Abrus pulchellus Wall. ex Thw. Enum. Pl. Zeyl. 2 : 91, 1859 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 175, 1876.

A wiry climber ; leaflets ligulate-oblong, glabrous above, thinly silky below; flowers light orange in colour, arranged in many flowered, long peduncled raceme which is 17 cm long ; pod linear-oblong, flat, 6-8 cm long, incurved ; seeds compressed, black. A common plant, mostly in fruits.

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Dhamdhum, 800 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Mukerjee 6153 : Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec., 1963 (in fr.), Sen Gupta 906 : Phunisholing, Subba Rao 19 ; Deothong Hill, Chinari village, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43131 : Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), Deb 104.

Abrus precatorius Linn. Syst. Nat. 2 (ed. 2) : 472, 1767 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 175, 1876.

A much branched climber : leaflets oblong, smaller than the previous species ; flowers pink, arranged in crowded racemes ; pod turgid, oblong, shorter than the previous species, seeds scarlet with a black spot.

Tashigong to Yangtsi, Shergaon, 1250 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41282.

Aeschynomene indica Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 (ed. 1) : 713, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 151, 1876.

An undershrub ; leaflets numerous ; stipule lanceolate, auricled at base ; flowers yellow, 1-4 in axillary viscid raceme : pod a long stipitate lomentum, upper suture straight, lower one more or less indented.

19 km from Samdrup Jhonkar to Deothong, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43130.

Astragalus stipulatus D. Don ex Sims in Bot. Mag. (n.s) 8 : t. 2380, 1823 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 131, 1876.

An undershrub, 1-2 m high ; leaflets oblong, glabrescent above, glaucous and slightly addressed hairy below ; stipule very prominent, leaf-opposed, amplexicaul ; raceme long peduncled, dense, up to 15 cm long ; flowers yellow ; pod hay-yellow, turgid, slightly recurved, narrowed above into a long beak. A most common plant at altitudes between 2500-4500 m.

Paro, 4200 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl. & fr.), Balakrishnan and Sen Gupta 652, 752 ; Dochu La, 3200 m, Sept. 1964 (in fr.), Hajra 366 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963 (in fr.), Mukerjee 5967.

Atylosia scarabaeoides (Linn.) Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 242, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 215, 1876. *Dolichos scarabaeoides* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 (ed. 1) : 726, 1873.

An undershrub with slender, trailing, grey-downy branches ; leaf trifoliate, thinly pubescent above, reticulate and grey-canescens beneath ; flowers yellow ; pod oblong, up to 2 cm long, straight, apiculate, clothed with brown silky hairs. The plant is very common on roadsides.

Gumkhara, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44044 ; Dakpai, 1650 mm, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 447.

Butea parviflora Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 53, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 3 : 248, 1832. *Spatholobus roxburghii* Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 238, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 193, 1876.

A large woody climber with grey downy branches ; leaves trifoliate, the terminal one being the largest (30×20 cm) ; pod oblong, 9-13 cm long, stalked, one seeded, velvety just above the seed and silky for the remaining part. A very common climber, often found in open forest.

Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Thothathri 10421 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 448.

Butea minor Buch.-Ham. ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 195, 1876.

Branches clothed with grey silky hairs ; leaflets silky pubescent beneath; flowers red in colour, calyx and corolla densely velvety ; pod more or less sessile, cuneate below, rusty tomentose.

Pam Camp, 15 km from Rongchong, Sept. 1965 (in fl.), A. S. Rao 43476.

Cajanus cajan (Linn.) Millsp. in Field Columb. Mus. Bot. 2 : 53, 1900. *Cytisus cajan* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 739, 1753. *Cajanus indicus* Spreng. Syst. Veg. 3 : 248, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 217, 1876.

An erect shrub with grey silky branchlets ; leaf trifoliate, leaflets lanceolate, grey-canescens below ; flowers in axillary and terminal corymbs ; vexillum red ; keel and wings yellow ; pod linear, finely hairy. A cultivated plant for the pulses.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 101.

Campylotropis eriocarpa (Royle ex Maxim.) Schindl. in Fedde, Rep. 11 : 347, 1912. *Lespedeza eriocarpa* Royle ex Maxim. in Act. Hort. Petrop. 2 : 350, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 144, 1876.

A much branched erect shrub ; leaves stalked, trifoliate ; leaflets grey canescent below ; stipule subulate ; racemes many flowered, flowers deep red in colour ; pod adpressed silky, with the persistent style, 1-2 seeded. Fairly common between 1500-2500 m in the hills.

Thimpu, Sept. 1864 (in fl.), Abraham 2356 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963 (in fl. & fr.), Mukerjee 5892.

Crotalaria alata Buch. Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 241, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 69, 1876.

An undershrub with densely hairy branches ; leaves simple, subsessile ; raceme short, 1-3 flowered ; flowers yellow.

Kheri camp, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43495.

C. bhutanica Thoth. in Journ. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc. 66 : 70, 1969.

The species is related to *C. capitata* Benth. but differs in leaves being oblong, brown pubescent below and not finely silky as in the latter, raceme being 5-6 flowered and inflorescence, clayx, pedicel and bracts brown pubescent and not ferruginous silky pubescent as in the latter.

A low undershrub, 25-30 cm high, branches tufted from the root stock, grey pubescent ; leaves simple, alternate, lower leaves smaller, obovate and more or less sessile while upper leaves larger, oblong and petiolate ; inflorescence a terminal, congested racemose head of 5-6 flowers ; flowers violet, 1.5 cm long, pedicellate ; bract linear, 3-4 mm long, pubescent ; bracteoles 2, linear, 3-5 mm long, one at the base of the calyx cup and another at the middle of the pedicel, pubescent ; calyx pubescent without, glabrous within, tube short, bilipped, 2 lobes of the upper lip oblong, 3 lobes of the lower lip lanceolate ; corolla vexillum ovate, orbicular, clawed, blade with 2 callousites at its base just above the claw ; wings oblong, clawed, glabrous ; keels connate except below, incurved ; stamens 10, monadelphous, anthers dimorphous ; ovary 1.2 cm long, sessile, glabrous, style slender, incurved at base, bearded, stigma minute, hairy, ovules many ; pod not known.

On way to Tabachettu, Thimpu, Sept. 1964, Abraham 2382.

This new species was recently described from Bhutan.

Crotalaria calycina Schrank, Pl. Rar. Hort. Monac. t. 12, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 72, 1876.

A small annual, branches silky hairy ; leaves simple, lanceolate flowers in terminal racemes, pale yellow in colour. A common plant.

Kheri, Sept., A. S. Rao 43483.

C. ferruginea Grah. ex Benth. in Hook. Lond. J. Bot. 2 : 476, 1843 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 68, 1876.

A herb with silky branches ; leaves simple, obovate-oblong ; stipule foliaceous, decurrent ; flowers in leaf-opposed racemes ; calyx densely ferruginous ; corolla yellow in colour. A fairly common plant.

Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), Deb 258.

C. humifusa Grah. ex Benth. in Hook. Lond. J. Bot. 2 : 476, 1843 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 67, 1876.

A branched, slender herb, clothed with brown silky hairs ; leaves simple, ovate, sessile, glaucous beneath ; flowers in leaf-opposed racemes ; corolla yellow ; pod shortly oblong, 6-10 cm long, glabrous 4-5 seeded.

On the way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 285.

C. mucronata Desv. in J. de. Bot. 3 : 76, 1814. *C. striata* DC. Prodr. 2: 131, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 84, 1876.

An undershrub, 1 m high ; leaves trifoliate, leaflets obovato-oblong ; raceme many flowered, up to 22 cm long ; flowers yellow in colour. A fairly common species,

Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl.), *Thorathri* 10432 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), *Deb* 103 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 361 ; *Ibid* May 1964 (in fl.), *Maheshwari* 5352.

Crotalaria occulta Grah. ex Benth. in Hook. Lond. J. Bot. 2 : 565, 1843 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 72, 1876.

A suffruticose undershrub ; leaves simple, grey silky below ; raceme terminal, flowers violet blue, scented.

Wamrung approach, 2335 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43356.

C. sessiliflora Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 1004, 1763 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 73, 1876.

An undershrub, branches ascending, brown silky ; leaves simple, linear, 6-7×0.5-0.6 cm, glabrous above, densely silky below ; inflorescence 6-15 cm long ; calyx lobes densely silky ; pod oblong, glabrous, 1-1.2 cm long, sessile, many seeded. A fairly common plant.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Deb* 324.

C. tetragona Andr. Bot. Rep. 9, t. 593, 1810 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 78, 1876.

• A shrub up to 2 m high ; branches tetragonal, thinly silky ; leaves linear to lanceolate, up to 24 cm long ; stipule lanceolate, up to 1 cm long ; inflorescence a raceme, 12 cm long ; calyx densely brown velvety ; corolla yellow, glabrous. A common plant along the roads.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), *Deb* 443.

C. trifoliastrum Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 983, 1802 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 82, 1876.

An erect herbaceous perennial ; branches downy ; leaflets obovato-oblong, glabrous above, silky beneath ; raceme terminal and axillary ; flowers yellow.

Wamrung approach, 2333 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43355.

Dalbergia assamica Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 256, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 235, 1876.

The specimen *Subba Rao* 77 could not be examined by me as it was not present in the Calcutta herbarium. Hence the enumeration of this species is provisional.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 77.

D. sericea G. Don. Gen. Syst. 2 : 375, 1832. *D. hircina* Wall. ex Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 256, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 236, 1876.

A large spreading tree ; young shoots silky tomentose ; leaf imparipinnate, up to 24 cm long, leaflets 13, ovato-oblong ; inflorescence a short axillary panicle, densely silky pubescent ; flowers purple. A rare plant.

Birti, 530 m, April 1964 (in fl.), *Sen Gupta* 1207.

Dalbergia sissoo Roxb. ex DC. Prodr. 2 : 416, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 231, 1876.

The specimen *Subba Rao* 44 could not be examined by the author as it was not present in Calcutta herbarium. Hence its inclusion in the flora is provisional.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 44.

D. stipulacea Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 233, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 237, 1876.

An erect tree with spreading branches, 10 m high ; leaf imparipinnate, 10-15 cm long, stipulate ; leaflets 11-21, elliptic-oblong, alternate ; pod oblong, 8-9 cm long, flat, coriaceous, much thickened opposite the seed.

Thoribadi, Samchi, 350 m, Jan. 1964 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10631.

The occurrence of this species in Samchi constitutes a new record for Bhutan. The plant is not common as there was only one tree found in the above place.

Derris polystachya Benth. in J. Linn. Soc. 4 (Suppl.) : 114, 1860 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 247, 1878.

An extensive climber ; branches glabrous ; leaf imparipinnate, alternate ; leaflets 5-7, oblong, acuminate ; flowers arranged in axillary and terminal panicles, pinkish white in colour ; pod oblong, flat, 4.5-6.0 cm long, glabrous, reticulately veined, distinctly winged on both the sutures, 1-seeded.

Chamarchi forest, Samchi, 200 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10603.

One of the rare plants, collected from Bhutan.

Desmodium caudatum (Thunb.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 337, 1825. *Hedysarum caudatum* Thunb. Fl. Jap. 286, 1784. *Desmodium laburnifolium* (Poir.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 337, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 163, 1876.

An undershrub ; leaves trifoliate ; leaflets oblong, stipellate, 8-10 cm long ; inflorescence axillary, 9-18 cm long ; pods linear, 7-9 cm long, jointed, joints beset with minute hooks. A common plant.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Deb* 161.

D. confertum DC. in Ann. Sci. Nat. (Ser. 1) 4 : 101, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 167, 1876. *D. dioicum* DC. Prodr. 2 : 338, 1825.

A shrub up to 1 m high ; branches grey downy ; leaf trifoliate, 12-14 cm long ; leaflets ovato-oblong, glaucous beneath ; inflorescence a dense axillary and terminal racemes, 12-15 cm long ; flowers purple, distinctly pedicellate ; calyx cup turbinate. A common shrub on river banks.

Dhamdhum, 800 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), *Mukerjee* 6159 ; Tashigong Hill, 1500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41252 ; way to Shali from Gumkhara, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44070 ; Bomthang, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44548.

D. floribundum (D. Don) G. Don, Gen. Syst. 2 : 297, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 167, 1876. *Hedysarum floribundum* D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 244, 1825.

An undershrub ; branches pubescent ; leaflets ovate, stipellate, clothed with adpressed hairs below ; racemes axillary and terminal ; flowers purple ; pod linear, jointed, clothed with adpressed, brown, silky hairs.

A common plant.

Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), Abraham 2341 ; Krishnagiri saddle, Narfong to Wamrung 1334 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43310 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 315.

Desmodium gangeticum DC. Prodr. 2 : 327, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 168, 1876. *Hedysarum gangeticum* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 746, 1753.

A herbaceous undershrub ; branches slender, sparsely downy ; leaves unifoliate, stipulate, ovate with cordate base, minutely adpressed hairy below ; pod falcate, 1.5-1.8 cm long, jointed, clothed with short, minute hairs.

Tama to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1198.

D. heterocarpon (Linn.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 337, 1825. *Hedysarum heterocarpon* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 747, 1753. *Desmodium polycarpum* DC. Prodr. 2 : 334, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 171, 1876.

An erect shrub with slender branches ; leaves trifoliate ; leaflets oblong, glabrous above, clothed with short, adpressed hairs below ; inflorescence a terminal and axillary raceme ; flowers violet in colour ; pod linear, 3-3.5 cm long, faintly jointed, clothed with brown hairs.

Tama, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 288.

D. khasianum Prain in J. Asiatic. Soc. Beng. 66(2) : 395, 1897 ; Hiroyoshi Ohasi in Hara, Fl. Eastern Himal. 151, 1966.

A herb with suffruticose base ; branches glabrous ; leaf trifoliate, alternate, 6-9 cm long ; leaflets ovato-oblong 3.5-5.0 × 1.5-2.0 cm, glabrous above, glaucous and minutely adpressed hairy below ; stipule subulate, up to 4 mm long ; pod linear, 3-5 cm long and 3-5 mm wide, long pedicelled, glabrous 4-7 jointed, joints reticulately veined ; pedicels up to 1.5 cm long.

On the way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 241.

This is one of the rare species of *Desmodium*. This species has so far been known from Khasia and Jaintia Hills, Assam as well as from Eastern Nepal. Hence its occurrence in Tama, Bhutan constitutes a new record for this species.

D. laxum DC. in Ann. Sc. Nat. Paris 4 : 102, 1825. *D. podocarpum* DC. var. *laxum* Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 165, 1876.

An undershrub ; leaf trifoliate, long petioled, 25-27 cm long ; leaflets large, terminal ovate, lateral ones unequal sided, glabrous, finely

reticulately veined ; inflorescence 15-18 cm long ; pod 2-3 jointed, joints half-rhomboidal, clothed with minute, hooked hairs.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 166.

Desmodium microphyllum (Thunb.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 337, 1825. *Hedysarum microphyllum* Thunb. Fl. Jap. 284, 1784. *D. parvifolium* DC. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Paris 4 : 100, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 174, 1876.

A prostrate herb with trailing branches ; leaf trifoliate, leaflets small, elliptic, minutely adpressed hairy below ; inflorescence short, few flowered ; flowers pink, distinctly pedicelled ; calyx pubescent. A common plant.

Birti, 600-750 m, April 1964 (in fl.), Sen Gupta 1317 ; Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), Abraham 2331.

D. motorium (Houtt.) Merr. var. *roylei* (Wt. & Arn.) Deb et al. in Bull. bot. Soc. Beng. 22 : 184, 1968. *D. roylei* Wt. & Arn. Prodr. Fl. Pen. Ind. Or. 227, 1834. *D. gyrans* DC. var. *roylei* (Wt. & Arn.) Baker in Hook. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 175, 1876.

An undershrub ; branches glabrous. Leaf unifoliate ; leaflet oblong, twice longer than broad, stipulate ; inflorescence an axillary and terminal raceme ; pod linear, slightly falcate, 8-10 jointed, glabrous. A common plant.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 284.

D. oblongum Wall. ex Benth. in Miq. Fl. Jungh 1 : 224, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 166, 1876.

An undershrub ; leaflets oblong, 6-10 cm long, subcoriaceous glabrous, thinly silky below ; inflorescence an axillary and terminal panicle, profusely branched ; flowers distinctly pedicelled, blue ; pedicels up to 1 cm long. A rare plant.

Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44011.

This species, originally described from Ava, Upper Burma has so far been reported from Assam and Manipur in India. Its present occurrence in Tashigong therefore constitutes a new record for the Bhutan Himalayas.

D. sequax Wall. Pl. Asiat. Rar. 2 : 46. t. 157, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 170, 1876.

A shrub up to 1 m high ; branches softly grey tomentose ; leaflets ovato-oblong, acute, subcoriaceous, densely hairy beneath ; inflorescence an axillary and terminal raceme ; pod linear, 6-8 jointed, densely clothed with short, hooked hairs.

Kamji, Subba Rao 259.

D. triflorum (Linn.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 334, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 173, 1876.

A perennial herb ; branches slender, trailing ; leaflets 3, obovate, retuse, sparsely hairy below ; stipule lanceolate up to 3 mm long ; flowers 1-4, axillary, purple ; pod linear, 3-4 jointed, glabrous to sparsely hairy. A very common plant.

Way to Shali from Gumkhara, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44087 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 452.

Desmodium triquetrum (Linn.) DC. subsp. **pseudotriquetrum** (DC.) Prain in J. Asiat. Soc. Beng. 66(2) : 390, 1897. *D. pseudotriquetrum* DC. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Paris 4 : 100, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 163, 1876.

An undershrub ; branches glabrous ; leaves unifoliate, oblong-lanceolate, 5.6×1.5-2 cm. glabrous ; petiole winged on both sides ; inflorescence a terminal, raceme ; pod narrowly oblong, 6-9 jointed, 2-2.5 cm long, glabrous, sutures ciliate.

Birti, 600-900 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1340 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 318.

D. velutinum (Willd.) DC. Prodr. 2 : 328, 1825. *Hedysarum velutinum* Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 1174, 1803. *Desmodium latifolium* DC. Prodr. 2 : 328, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 168, 1876.

An erect shrub ; branches densely clothed with short brown hairs ; leaves unifoliate ; leaflet ovate with cordate base, 7-8×5-6 cm, coriaceous, adpressed hairy above, densely soft tomentose beneath ; pods many in axillary and terminal, congested inflorescence, 4-6 jointed, densely clothed with minute hooked hairs.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 922.

Dolichos biflorus Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 727, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 210, 1876.

An annual ; leaflet ovate, membranous ; stipule basifixed ; flowers 1-2 in the axil of leaf, yellow in colour.

Kheri, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43520.

D. lablab Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 725, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 209, 1876.

An annual ; leaves trifoliate, stipulate ; leaflets ovate, acuminate, stipellate ; pod linear-oblong, glabrous, apex terminated by the hooked, persistent base of the style.

Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Mukerjee* 6139.

A cultivated plant whose fruits are used as vegetable.

Dumasia villosa DC. in Ann. Sci. Nat. (ser. 1) 4 : 96, t. 44, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 183, 1876.

A climber ; branches densely brown hairy ; leaf trifoliate ; leaflets ovate, stipellate, sparsely hairy above, densely pubescent below ; flowers in congested racemes, pinkish in colour.

Batase, 1500 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), Deb 37 ; Wamrung, Sept. 1965,
A. S. Rao 43564.

Erythrina arborea Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 53, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 3 : 156, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 190, 1876.

A small tree ; bark whitish with prickles ; leaf trifoliate, 40 cm long ; leaflets broadly ovate, glabrous, membranous ; pod linear-oblong, 20 cm long, slightly curved, minutely velvety when young ; seeds black.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.),
Sen Gupta 1091 ; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 428 ; Chaisilakha,
Subba Rao 424.

E. stricta Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 53, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 3 : 251, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 189, 1876.

A middle-sized tree ; branches studded with prickles ; leaflets 3, terminal rhomboid-orbicular, lateral ones oblique at base, membranous, glabrous ; pod 10-12 cm long, torulose, glabrous ; seeds red in colour.

Terichu, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43433.

Glycine max (Linn.) Merr. Interpr. Herb. Amboin. 247, 1917. *Phaseolus max* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 725, 1753. *Glycine soja* Baker in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 184, 1876 non Sieb. et Zucc. 1845.

A herb, up to 0.75 m high ; branches hispid ; leaf trifoliate, up to 20 cm long, leaflets ovato-oblong, membranous, sparsely hispid ; pod oblong, hispid, 2-3 seeded.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 427.

A cultivated plant whose seeds are used as pulses.

Gueldenstaedtia santapaui Thoth. in Bull. bot. Surv. India 10 (3 & 4) : 391, 1969.

G. santapaui Thoth. is related to *G. himalica* Baker but can easily be distinguished by the stem, upper surface of leaflets and stipules all being glabrous, inflorescence being one flowered and calyx-teeth either equal or longer than the tube as well as the teeth of the upper lip of the calyx being connate.

A slender, much branched prostrate herb ; stem quadrangular, pinkish, alternately branched, leaf imparipinnate, alternate, stipulate, 4.5-6.5 cm long ; leaflets 11-13, obocordate, 3-6 x 2.5-5 cm, cuneate, emarginate, glabrous above and sparsely pilose below ; stipule ovate to cordate, amplexicaul 3.5 mm, long ; inflorescence one flowered peduncle, 5-6 mm long ; bract linear, pilose ; flowers pedicellate ; calyx 6 mm long, pubescent without bilipped, upper lip emarginate, teeth of lower lip linear ; corolla vexillum ovate, 9 x 4 mm, clawed, retuse at apex, keels much smaller than wings :

stamens diadelphous, (9+1), sheath 3 mm long ; ovary 6 mm long, pubescent, style short, stigma capitate ; legume linear-oblong, dehiscent.

Chai la Pass, Paro, 4200 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 619.

A rare and interesting new species, recently described from Bhutan.

Indigofera atro-purpurea Buch.-Ham. ex Horn. Hort. Reg. Bot. Hafn. Suppl. 152, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 101, 1876.

A shrub with woody branches ; leaf 12-15 cm long; leaflets up to 17, oblong, sparsely hairy ; inflorescence a raceme, 15-25 cm long ; pod linear, cylindrical, 6-19-seeded, glabrescent. A common plant.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Deb* 367.

I. dosua Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 244, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 102, 1876.

A low woody shrub ; branches densely grey pubescent ; leaves imparipinnate, leaflets up to 29, linear-oblong, opposite, glaucous above, pubescent below ; inflorescence a dense raceme of bright red flowers ; bract lanceolate, cuspidate, brown silky.

Paro Valley, 2550 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 1236 ; Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43555.

I. dosua Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don var. **tomentosa** Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 102, 1876. *Indigofera tomentosa* Grah. in Wall. Cat. 5487, 1831-32, nomen.

A large shrub with younger branches silky pubescent ; leaves imparipinnate, 14-18 cm long, leaflets 31-41, linear-oblong, shortly petiolulate, adpressed hairy above and densely adpressed hairy below ; inflorescence an axillary raceme ; flowers red ; bracts lanceolate, prominent, cuspidate, pubescent ; pod linear, 2.5-3.5 cm long, cylindrical, pointed downwards, silky pubescent. A most common shrub in the forest, at times growing into a small tree.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1081 ; Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1137 ; Birti, 600-750 m, April 1964 (in fl.), *Sen Gupta* 1313 ; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Deb* 281 ; Chaisilakha, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5105 ; Ibid, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 321.

I. heterantha Wall. ex Brandis, For. Fl. N. West & Centr. India, 135, 1874. *I. gerardiana* Wall. ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 100, 1876.

A low shrub, profusely branched ; branchlets white canescent ; leaflets obovate, mucronate, adpressed white hairy ; flowers purple red ; pod linear, cylindrical, glabrous to minutely hairy.

Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43452.

Indigofera heterantha Wall. ex Brandis var. **longipedicellata** Thoth. in Indian For. 96 : 13, 1970.

This variety differs from the typical one in having distinctly longer pedicels and glabrous, slightly compressed pods.

Thinlegaon, 3330 m, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), *Hajra* 389.

This new variety was recently described from Bhutan.

I. trifoliata Linn. Cent. Pl. 2 : 29, 1756 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 96, 1876.

A perennial with trailing branches ; leaflets oblanceolate, green above and glaucous below ; flowers in axillary, short racemes, red in colour ; pod linear-oblong, straight, glabrescent, 6-8 seeded.

Kheri, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43508.

Lespedeza gerardiana Grah. ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 142, 1876.

An undershrub ; leaf trifoliate, 1.5-2.5 cm long ; leaflets oblanceolate, mucronulate, glabrescent above, densely adpressed, white hairy below ; inflorescence short, axillary umbels, 4-6 flowered ; flowers white ; calyx teeth prominent, densely silky pubescent.

Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), *Abraham* 2339, 2358.

L. sericea (Thunb.) Miq. in Ann. Mus. Lug. Bat. 3 : 49, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 142, 1876. *Hedysarum sericeum* Thunb. Fl. Jap. 289, 1784.

An erect undershrub up to 1 m high ; branches slender ; leaves crowded on the stem, trifoliate ; leaflets 3, narrowly oblanceolate, coriaceous, clothed with adpressed white silky hairs below ; flowers 2-3 in axil of leaves ; corolla white tinged with purple ; calyx teeth white canescent ; pod small, sessile, glabrous to thinly silky. This is one of the most common undershrubs in the forest.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 762 & 1211 ; Chima Kothi, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), *Abraham* 2325 ; Kheri, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43482 ; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43961 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* s.n.

Millettia auriculata Baker ex Brandis, For. Fl. N. West & Centr. India 138, 1874 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 108, 1876.

An extensive woody climber ; leaves imparipinnate, alternate, up to 40 cm long ; leaflets 9, ovato-oblong, terminal one always larger and obovate-oblong, coriaceous, glabrous above, puberulous below ; pod linear-oblong, woody and hard, up to 14 cm long, sutures thickened, velvety.

Malbashi Hill, Samchi, 600 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl.), *Thothathri* 10392 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 139.

Millettia cinerea Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 249, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 106, 1852. *Pongamia cinerea* Grah. in Wall. Cat. 5904, 1831-32, nomen.

A woody climber ; leaves imparipinnate ; leaflets 5, oblong, coriaceous, glabrous ; pod very turgid, 4.0×2.5 cm, minutely velvety, 4-seeded.

Changtar, Samchi, 200 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Thothathri 10446 ; Kheri, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43507.

M. pachycarpa Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 250, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 106, 1876.

A large climber ; branches pubescent ; leaflets 13, oblong, subcoriaceous, glabrous above, brown pubescent below ; inflorescence a panicle, flowers 2-3 on a short peduncle in each node ; calyx cup densely pubescent ; corolla pink.

Birti, 650-850 m, April, Sen Gupta 1300.

Moghania fruticulosa (Wall. ex Benth.) Mukerjee in Bull. Bot. Soc. Beng. 6(1) : 12, 1952. *Flemingia fruticulosa* Wall. (Cat. 5754, 1831-32, nomen) ex Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 245, 1852. *Flemingia strobilifera* R. Br. var. *fruticulosa* (Wall. ex Benth.) Baker in Hook f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 227, 1876.

A low undershrub ; leaves simple, ovate, $3.5-4.5 \times 2.5-3.5$ cm, stipulate, coriaceous, glabrous above, hairy especially on the nerves below ; racemes terminal, 5-7 cm long, rachis zigzag ; bracts reniform, distichously arranged strongly nerved, folded and emarginate, enclosing a cluster of flowers ; corolla white.

Chima Kothi, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), Abraham 2326.

This is for the first time that this species is reported from the Eastern Himalayas as its previous occurrence has been N. W. Himalayas, Hazra to Nepal. It is one of the rare plants in Bhutan.

M. macrophylla (Willd.) O. Kuntze, Rev. Gen. Pl. 1 : 199, 1891. *Crotalaria macrophylla* Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 982, 1803. *Flemingia congesta* Roxb. ex Aiton, Hort. Kew (ed. 2) 4 : 349, 1812 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 228, 1876.

An erect woody shrub ; leaves trifoliate, 8-10 cm long ; leaflets 3, terminal ovato-oblong, laterals oblong, oblique at base, glabrous above and below except the hairy nerves ; common petiole slightly winged ; racemes axillary and terminal, densely crowded with flowers ; pod oblong 1-1.5 cm long, obscurely downy ; seeds 1-2, black. A common shrub in the forest.

Dhoankhola, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Thothathri 10438 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Sen Gupta 913.

Moghania semialata (Roxb.) Mukerjee in Bull. Bot. Soc. Bengal. 6(1) : 16, 1952.

Flemingia semialata Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 56, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 3 : 340, 1832. *Flemingia congesta* Roxb. var. *semialata* (Roxb.) Baker in Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 229, 1876 (in part).

An erect shrub ; leaves trifoliate, 20 cm long ; leaflets 3, oblong-lanceolate, lateral ones obliquely based, puberulous above, hairy on the nerves below, coriaceous, common petiole winged ; inflorescence axillary racemes, up to 12 cm long, longer than the petiole; pod oblong, puberulous; seeds black.

Tama, 1450 p, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 316.

Mucuna nigricans (Lour.) Steud. Nom. (ed. 2) 2 : 163, 1843. *Citta nigricans*

Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 456, 1790. *Mucuna imbricata* DC. Prodr. 2 : 406, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 185, 1876.

A woody climber ; leaves trifoliate, the end one oblong-cuspidate, glabrous above, thinly hairy below ; racemes few flowered on drooping peduncles ; calyx 5 toothed with a few irritating bristles ; pod oblong, winged on both the sutures, obliquely plaited, clothed with irritating, ferruginous bristles.

Phuntsholing, Subba Rao 119.

M. macrocarpa Wall. ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 186, 1876.

A large woody climber ; leaf 22-25 cm long, leaflets 3, terminal one ovato-oblong, the laterals with oblique base, coriaceous, glabrescent, lateral nerves up to 6 pairs ; pod linear-oblong, 22×5 cm, the sutures indurated, puberulous with brown hairs, up to 8-seeded. A common climber in the forest.

Chaisilakha, 2000 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Subba Rao 287 ; Ibid, April 1964 (in fl.), Maheshwari 5078, 5129.

M. prurita Hooker, Bot. Misc. 2 : 348, 1831. *M. pruriens* Baker in Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 187, 1876, non DC. 1825.

A twining climber ; leaflets 3, terminal one ovate, the lateral ones rhomboid, coriaceous, adpressed hairy on both surfaces ; racemes 8-10 flowered, axillary ; corolla dark purple to violet ; pods linear-oblong, 8-10 cm long, ribbed longitudinally, clothed with ferruginous, irritating bristles. A common climber.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Sen Gupta 813 ; Samchi, 440 m, Nov. 1963 (in fl.), Mukerjee 6037.

Pachyrhizus angulatus Rich. ex DC. Prodr. 2 : 402, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 207, 1876.

A twiner ; leaf trifoliate, leaflets lobed, stipellate, membranous, glabrous ; flowers red. A cultivated plant for the large tuberous roots which are edible both when raw and boiled.

Chaisilakha, *Subba Rao* 439.

Parochetus communis Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 240, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 86, 1876.

A slender creeper with tufted runners ; leaves digitately trifoliate, petiole filiform, 8-10 cm long ; leaflets sub-sessile, orbiculate, glabrous above, grey silky beneath ; flowers 1-2 on a long peduncle from the axil of the leaf, purple in colour ; pod linear-oblong, 2-2.5 cm long, dehiscent, glabrous. A very common plant on roadsides and forest paths.

Chima Kothi, 215 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 1173 ; Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fr.), *Abraham* 2360 ; Narfong to Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43325 ; Rongthong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43418 ; Thimpu, April 1964 (in fl.), *Maheshwari* 5167.

Phaseolus radiatus Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 725, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 203, 1876.

An economically important plant, cultivated as a crop for its seeds.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5904, 5968.

P. trilobus Ait. Hort. Kew. 3 : 30, 1789 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 201, 1876. *Dolichos trilobus* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 726, 1753.

A twining herb ; leaves trifoliate, alternate, stipulate, 10-14 cm long ; leaflets ovate, shallowly trilobed, stipellate, glabrous above and sparsely adpressed hairy beneath ; raceme axillary with flowers crowded at top ; flowers yellow in colour. A common herb growing on the edges of paddy fields.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 1219 & 1254.

Piptanthus nepalensis (Hooker) D. Don in Sw. Brit. Fl. Card. 3 : t. 64, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 62, 1876.

A shrub up to 2 m high ; leaves digitately trifoliate, alternate, 8-10 cm long ; leaflets oblong to lanceolate, glabrous above, puberulous below ; racemes axillary, dense ; flowers yellow in colour ; petals long clawed ; pod linear, flat, 12-13 cm long, apex incurved, finely puberulous, 6-7 seeded.

Chai la Pass, 4300 m, Aug. 1963 (in fr.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 1293 ; Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43568 ; Thimpu, April 1964 (in fl.), *Maheshwari* 5213.

Pisum sativum Linn. var. *arvense* Poir. in Lamk. Encycl. Meth. Bot. 5 : 456 1804 ; *P. arvense* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 727, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 181, 1876.

A widely cultivated plant whose fruits are used as vegetable.
From Kharsong to Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41817.

Priotropis cytisoides (Roxb.) Wt. & Arn. Prod. Fl. Pen. Ind. Or. 180, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 65, 1876.

A tall shrub ; branches glabrous ; leaves digitately trifoliate, alternate, exstipulate, 6-11 cm long ; leaflets ovaio-oblong to oblong, membranous, glabrous ; racemes leaf-opposed ; pods oblong, 3-4 cm long, flattened, stipitate, 5-6 seeded, glabrous, apiculate by the remnant style. A very common shrub, usually found along river banks ; a good fodder plant.

Dhamdhum, 800 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), *Mukerjee* 6160 ; Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1093 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), *Deb* 366 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Subba Rao* 153, Chaisilakha, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Subba Rao* 331 ; Chinari village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43161.

Pueraria peduncularis Grah. ex Benth. in J. Linn. Soc. 9 : 124, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 197, 1876.

A twining herb ; leaves trifoliate, alternate, stipulate ; leaflets ovato-rhomboid, membranous, glabrous above, grey downy beneath ; racemes axillary, dense ; calyx grey silky ; corolla reddish, keel with a deep purple tip.

Krishnagiri Saddle, on road from Narfong to Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43307.

P. phaseoloides (Roxb.) Benth. in J. Linn. Soc. 9 : 125, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 199, 1876. *Dolichos phaseoloides* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 316, 1832.

A twiner ; leaves trifoliate, alternate, stipulate ; leaflets 3, terminal wide-ovate, laterals obliquely based, adpressed hairy ; racemes axillary, long peduncled ; flowers bracteate and bracteolate ; corolla reddish in colour, vexillum spurred.

Kheri, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43487.

P. phaseoloides (Roxb.) Benth. var. *javanicus* (Benth.) Baker in Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 199, 1876. *Neustanthus javanicus* Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 135, 1852.

This plant is provisionally included in this flora as the author could not see the specimen '*Subba Rao* 369'.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 369.

P. subspicata Benth. in J. Linn. Soc. 9 : 125, 1865. *Neustanthus subspicatus* Benth. in Miq. Pl. Jungh. 1 : 234, 1852.

A twining climber ; stem hirsute ; leaf trifoliate, stipulate, 15-20 cm long ; leaflets 3, terminal obovate to ovato-rhomboid, lateral ones oblique

at base, stipellate, clothed with adpressed hairs above and below, subcoriaceous; infructescence 25-35 cm long; pod linear, subcylindrical, 8-9 cm long, apiculate, brown hairy, 10-20 seeded.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 816.

Shuteria vestita Wt. & Arn. Prodr. Fl. Pen. Ind. Or. 207, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 181, 1876. *Glycine vestita* Grah. in Wall. Cat. 5512, 1831-32, nomen.

A pubescent climber; leaves trifoliate, stipulate, 6-10 cm long; leaflets ovate to ovato-elliptic, stipellate, membranous, glabrescent; stipule lanceolate, striate; raceme axillary, copious, 3-5 cm long; flowers pinkish, pedicellate, bracts and bracteoles present; clayx densely hairy; pods linear, flat, 2.5-3.0 cm long, pubescent. A very common plant in the forest.

Lapchatar Hill, Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl.), *Thothathri* 10397; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl.), *Sen Gupta* 919; Betni, 1400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1050; Kamji, *Subba Rao* 267.

Smithia ciliata Royle, Illust. Bot. Himal. 201. t. 35, f.2, 1839; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 150, 1876.

An annual; leaf imparipinnate; leaflets 7-11, linear-oblong, glabrous, bristly on the midrib below and edges; flowers secund on short, dense racemes; bracts leavy, ciliate; calyx cup bristly, ciliate; corolla yellow in colour. A common weed.

Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fl.), *Abraham* 2364; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963 (in fl.), *Mukerjee* 5922.

S. sensitiva Ait. Hort. Kew 3 : 496, 1789; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 148, 1876.

An annual; stem slender, much branched; leaves imparipinnate, leaflets 5-15, small, bristly on the midrib below; flowers yellow, 2-5 in axillary, short-peduncled raceme; calyx bilipped, lips scarcely bristly; pod a lomentum of one seeded, orbicular joints, folded together inside the calyx.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963 (in fl. & fr.), *Subba Rao* 376B.

Tephrosia candida DC. Prodr. 2 : 249, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 111, 1876.

Robinia candida Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 56, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 3 : 327, 1832.

A shrub; branches angled, clothed with velvety pubescence; leaves imparipinnate, 10-25 cm long, stipulate; leaflets 15-21, narrowly oblong, glabrous above, thinly silky beneath; raceme axillary and terminal; flowers creamy white; calyx and corolla densely silky outside; pod linear, slightly curved, 8-9 cm long, densely adpressed silky, 12 seeded.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1133; Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, April 1964, *Deb* 271.

Teramnus flexilis Benth. in J. Linn. Soc. 8 : 265, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 185, 1876. *Glycine flexilis* Grah. in Wall. Cat. 5521, 1831-32, nomen.

A twining herb ; leaves pinnately trifoliate, alternate, stipulate ; leaflets ovato-oblong, acuminate, adpressed hairy below ; racemes axillary, flowers crowded at the extremity ; flowers reddish, pedicellate.

Wamrung approach, 2333 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43354.

Urtaria lagopus DC. Prodri. 2 : 324, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 156, 1876.

An erect undershrub ; branches woody, pubescent ; leaflets large, oblong, glabrous above, finely reticulate and downy below ; raceme axillary and terminal ; flowers purple in colour.

Nyoth, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44229.

Vicia hirsuta (Linn.) Gray, Nat. Arr. Brit. Pl. 2 : 614, 1821 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 177, 1876. *Ervum hirsutum* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 738, 1753.

A slender twining herb ; leaves paripinnate, end leaflets modified into tendrils, 3-6 cm long ; leaflets 4-8 pairs, linear ; inflorescence axillary, 2-3 flowered ; flowers white ; pod trapezoid-oblong, 7-10 cm long, hairy. An escape from cultivation.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 394 ; on the way to Tashigong from Kharsong, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41814 ; Thimpu, April 1964, Maheshwari 5171 & 5237.

V. sativa Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 736, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 178, 1876.

An annual herb ; leaves paripinnately compound, end ones modified into tendrils, 4-8 cm long ; leaflets 8-12, linear, glabrous above, minutely hairy below ; raceme axillary, 1-flowered ; flowers dark purple ; pod linear, flat, 4 cm long, 8-seeded, glabrescent. A weed in paddy fields.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl. & fr.), Deb 414 ; Thimpu, April 1964 (in fl.), Maheshwari 5236.

~~*Vicia pilosa*~~ Baker in Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 205, 1876. *Dolichos pilosus* Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 55, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 2 : 312, 1832.

A climber ; leaves trifoliate, 10-16 cm long, alternate, stipulate, leaflets terminal ovato-oblong, laterals oblique at base, puberulous on both sides ; pod linear, 10-12 cm long, clothed with short, brown hairs, 8-12 seeded.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fr.), Deb 172.

V. vexillata (Linn.) Benth. in Mart. Fl. Bras. 15 : 195. t. 50. f. 1. 1859 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 206, 1876. *Phaseolus vexillatus* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 2 : 724, 1753.

A twiner ; leaves trifoliate, alternate ; stipulate ; leaflets ovate, acute, clothed with adpressed hairs below ; flowers 2-3 on a long peduncle from

the axil of the leaf ; corolla purple, prominent.
Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43453.

Zornia gibbosa Span. in Linnaca 15 : 192, 1841. *Z. diphylla* Baker in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 147, 1876 non Pers.

A deep rooted herb, up to 35 cm high ; leaf digitately 2-foliolate, 4 cm long ; leaflets lanceolate, acuminate, glabrous, dotted with black glands ; bracts foliaceous, geminate, prominent ; pod a lomentum, joints of the lomentum covered with glochidiate prickles.

Kheri Camp, 3 km from Tashigong, 1300 m, Sept. 1965 (in fr.), A. S. Rao 43492.

CAESALPINIACEAE

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Bauhinia purpurea Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 375, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 284, 1878.

A tree, 10 m high ; branches glabrous ; leaves shallowly cordate, 10-16×8-14 cm, cleft third to half from apex, glabrous, 10 nerved ; flowers arranged in terminal corymbs ; calyx tomentose ; corolla white ; fertile stamens 3, staminodes unequal ; pod linear-oblong, falcate, stipitate, glabrous. A common tree, from plains up to 1500 m, in hills.

Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), Thothathri 10354 ; Phuntsholing, Subba Rao 116 ; Tashigong Hill, 1500 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41242 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964 (in fl.), Deb 185.

B. variegata Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 375, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 284, 1878.

A moderate sized tree ; leaves broader than longer, cordate, coriaceous, glabrous, cleft about third to half from apex ; flowers in corymbs ; corolla white, variegated with red and yellow.

Tashigong to Yangtsi, 1200 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41286.

Cassia fistula Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 377, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 261, 1878.

A small tree ; leaf paripinnate ; leaflets 4-7 pairs, opposite, ovate to elliptic, silvery pubescent below ; flowers yellow, in drooping racemes.

Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41260.

C. grandis Linn. f. Suppl. 230, 1781.

A handsome tree with red flowers, cultivated as an ornamental plant. Phuntsholing, April 1964 (in fl.), Maheshwari 5055.

C. occidentalis Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 377, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 262, 1878.

An undershrub up to 2 m high ; leaflets 4-5 pairs, oblong to oblong-lanceolate ; flowers in corymbs, yellow in colour.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 106 ; *Ibid.* May 1964, *Mahesthwari* 5331.

Cassia mimosoides Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 379. 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 266, 1878.

A diffuse, perennial undershrub ; leaf paripinnate, 2-5 cm long, stipulate ; leaflets linear, many, small ; rachis hairy ; flowers solitary, axillary, yellow ; pod linear-oblong, 3-3.5 cm long, strap-shaped, hairy especially on the sutures.

Paro, 2500-4000 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl.), *Balakrishnan & Sen Gupta* 749 & 1263 ; Thimpu, Sept. 1964 (in fr.), *Abraham* 2355 ; Kheri Camp, Tashigong, 3500 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43523.

C. tora Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 376, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 263, 1878.

An undershrub up to 1.5 m high ; leaves paripinnate, petiolate, stipulate ; leaflets 3 pairs, obovate to obovato-oblong upper ones larger than the lower ones, membranous, glabrous ; flowers yellow, in pairs in the axil of the leaf.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 156 ; *Ibid.* May 1964, *Mahesthwari* 5363.

Delonix regia (Boj.) Raf. Fl. Tellur. 2 : 92, 1836. *Poinciana regia* Boj. in Hook. Bot. Mag. 56. t. 2884, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 260, 1878.

A handsome tree ; leaves large, feathery, bipinnate, stipulate ; flowers in beautiful crimson and orange colour ; petals orbicular, distinctly clawed ; pod 30-45 cm long, flat, dehiscent. A cultivated tree.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 67.

Mezoneurum cucullatum (Roxb.) Wt. & Arn. Prodri. Fl. Pen. Ind. Or. 283, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 258, 1878. *Caesalpinia cucullata* Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 32, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 2 : 358, 1832.

A tall spreading shrub with pendent, prickly branches ; leaves bipinnate, alternate, up to 20 cm long ; leaflets 10, ovate to ovato-elliptic, opposite, acute, glabrous ; racemes axillary and terminal ; corolla bright yellow, streaked with red, petals cucullate ; pod brownish-red, narrowly oblong, flat, shortly stipitate, 1-seeded, winged on the upper suture. A common, prickly shrub in the forest.

Lapchatar Hill, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl. & fr.), *Thothathri* 10389 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 825.

Tamarindus indica Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 34, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 273, 1878.

A large spreading tree ; leaves abruptly pinnate, stipulate ; leaflets 20-30, elliptic-oblong, glabrous ; flowers in lax racemes at the end of

branchlets, creamy yellow in colour. A cultivated tree.

Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 162.

MIMOSACEAE

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Acacia caesia (Linn.) Willd. Sp. Pl. 4 : 1090, 1805. *Mimosa caesia* Linn.

Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 522, 1753. *Acacia intisia* Willd. Sp. Pl. 4 : 1091, 1805 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 297, 1878.

A prickly climber ; leaves bipinnate, pinnae 12-14, sessile gland present in between the first 2 pairs of pinnae ; leaflets small, oblong, 15-16 pairs, glaucous below, glabrous ; pod oblong, flat, 14-17 cm long, glabrous, dehiscent, 6-8-seeded.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 861.

A. catechu (Linn. f.) Willd. Sp. Pl. 4 : 1079, 1806; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 295, 1878. *Mimosa catechu* Linn. f. Suppl. Pl. 439, 1781.

A tree, 10 m high : leaves bipinnate, up to 20 cm long with a large basal gland on the rachis ; pinnae numerous with smaller glands in between ; leaflets numerous, small, glabrous ; pod narrowly oblong, 8-10 cm long, strap-shaped, glabrous, 10-seeded.

Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10436 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 3 ; *Ibid.* May 1964 (in fl.), *Maheshwari* 5343.

A. farnesiana (Linn.) Willd. Sp. Pl. 4 : 1083, 1805 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 292, 1878. *Mimosa farnesiana* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 521, 1753.

A shrub, up to 3 m high ; branches zigzag ; leaves bipinnate, 7-10 cm long, pinnae 10-14 ; stipules spiny ; leaflets small, ligulate, 20-30 ; flowers crowded in axillary heads, bright yellow in colour.

Dorokha, 700 m, Dec. 1963 (in fl.), *Thothathri* 10485.

Albizia chinensis (Osbeck) Merr. in Amer. J. Bot. 3 : 575, 1916. *Mir'osa chinensis* Osbeck, Dagbok Ostind Resa 233, 1757. *Albizia stipularis* Boivin in Encycl. Meth. 19(2) : 33, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 300, 1878.

A medium-sized tree ; branches grey downy ; leaves bipinnate, pinnae 15-18 ; leaflets 40-50, sessile, oblique at base, puberulous, rachis grey downy ; pod oblong, flat, 8-10 cm long, 6-8-seeded.

Near Betnikhola, 1400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 1051 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 113.

A. lucida (Roxb.) Benth. in Hooker, Lond. J. Bot. 3 : 86, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 299, 1878. *Mimosa lucida* Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 40, 1814, nomen) Fl. Ind. 2 : 544, 1832 non Vahl, 1807.

A tree, 15 m high ; leaves bipinnate with a large basal gland on the

rachis, 20-25 cm long ; leaflets 8, oblong with a smaller gland in between the leaflets, glabrous ; pod oblong, flat, 25 cm long, 6-8-seeded.

Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10627.

Albizia procera (Roxb.) Benth. in Hook. Lond. J. Bot. 3 : 89, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 299, 1878. *Mimosa procera* Roxb. Corom. Pl. 2 : 12. t. 121, 1798.

A tree with spreading branches, 16 m high ; leaves bipinnate, 30 cm long, pinnae 8 ; leaflets 14-18, elliptic oblong, puberulous above and glaucous below ; pod narrowly, oblong, 16-18 cm long, glabrous, 6-10-seeded. A common tree in hills.

Karpaga Hill, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10351.

Mimosa himalayana Gamble in Kew Bull. 1920 : 4, 1920. *M. rubicaulis* Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 291, 1878 (in part) non Lamk.

A scandent shrubby tree ; branches slender, armed with copious, small, scattered prickles ; leaves bipinnate, up to 15 cm long, pinnae 10-15 ; leaflets 20-24, small ; rachis, pinnae and leaflets puberulous ; pod falcate oblong, flat, 8-10 cm long, glabrous, 6-8-seeded. A very common plant.

Kharpara Hill, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10353 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Sen Gupta* 912 & 1423 ; Phuntsholing, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5371.

M. pudica Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 1) 1 : 518, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 291, 1878.

A woody herb ; branches armed with recurved prickles ; leaves bipinnate, 5-8 cm long, pinnae 4, all crowded at the top of the peduncle ; leaflets numerous, ligulate, bristly at margin ; flowers in axillary, peduncled heads ; corolla pink in colour ; pod linear-oblong, 1.2-1.5 cm long, sutures densely armed with bristles, 3-4-seeded. A very common plant, found everywhere.

Samchi, 350 m, Dec. 1963 (in fr.), *Thothathri* 10360 ; Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964 (in fr.), *Hajra* 324 ; *Ibid.*, *Subba Rao* 11.

ROSACEAE

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Agrimonia pilosa Ledeb. var. **nepalensis** (D. Don) Nakai in Bot. Mag. Tokyo 47 : 247, 1933. *A. eupatorium* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 361, 1878 non Linn.

Slender erect herb with a woody perennial rootstock and wiry unbranched stem ; leaves pinnate, stipules foliaceous, half-lunulate ; flowers small, yellow, in spicate terminal raceme. Scattered on open ground.

Chima Kothi, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Cotoneaster bacillaris Wall. ex Lindl. Bot. Reg. 15 : t. 1229, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 384, 1878.

A bushy deciduous shrub ; leaves coriaceous, oblong, more or less woolly beneath ; flowers white, in short axillary cymes ; fruit drupe-like, globose, 1 cm in diam. or less, dark brown. Common on open hill slopes.

Thimpu, 2800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5239 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5239.

C. microphylla Wall. ex Lindl. in Bot. Reg. 13 : t. 1114, 1827 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 387, 1878.

A low much branched shrub ; leaves persistent, margin recurved, glossy above, tomentose beneath ; flowers white, usually solitary, axillary, 1.3-1.5 cm in diam. ; fruit globose, scarlet. Common on exposed rocks.

Chai la Pass, 4050 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 710; Thimpu, 2700 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5198 ; Long Chaphaca near Thimpu, 2900 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5211 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5845.

Ducynia indica Dene. in Nouv. Arch. Mus. Paris 10 : 131. t. 14, 1874 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 369, 1878.

Short tree, densely woolly tomentose on younger parts, branches spinescent ; leaves oblong-lanceolate, with prominent arched nerves beneath ; flowers white, 2-3 cm across, axillary, solitary or in fascicles ; fruit globose or somewhat pyriform 2.5 to 3.5 cm. Frequent in temperate forests. The fruits are eaten either raw or cooked.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 421 ; Tashiyangtsi forest, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41368 ; Shali, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41003.

Duchesnea indica (Andr.) Focke in Engl. Pflan. 3(3) : 33, 1888. *Fragaria indica* Andr. Bot. Repos. 7 : t. 479, 1807 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 343, 1878.
Local name : Pomrim.

Small herb with creeping stolons ; leaves 3-rarely 5-foliate, silky hairy ; flowers yellow, solitary, axillary, 2-2.5 cm across, bracts obovate, 3-5 fls ; fruit spherical or oblong, bright red, spongy, 2-3 cm in diam. Common on hill slopes. The fruits are edible.

Sureylakha 1400 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 968 ; Tama, 1300 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1164 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1281 ; Sham Kharda, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 45 ; Chaisilakha, 1200 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Fragaria nubicola Lindl. ex Lacai Ta in Journ. Linn. Soc. 43 : 467, 1916.
F. vesca Linn. var. *nubicola* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 344, 1878.

Small herb with filiform runners ; leaflets 3-5 ; flowers white, few in axillary clusters ; fruit subglobose. Scattered on open ground.

Shemgang 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1237; Thimpu 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Geum urbanum Linn. Sp. Pl. 501, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 342, 1878.

Erect herb with a perennial woody rootstock; leaves radical and caudine, pinnate; flowers yellow, solitary or corymbose; fruit a cluster of achenes with hooked awns. Rare in open jungle.

Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43397.

Neillia thrysiflora D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 228, 1825.

Shrub with drooping branches; leaves 3-lobed, doubly inciso-serrate, membranous; flowers small, in terminal panicles and in racemes in the axils of upper leaves; follicle almost enclosed by persistent calyx. Common in rock crevices.

Gomchu road 9 km from Wamrung, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43384; Kamji, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 273; Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1122; Samchi Hill, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10583.

Photinia integrifolia Lindl. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 13 : 103, 1821; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 381, 1878.

A small tree with oblanceolate coriaceous leaves which are up to 15 cm long with a short petiole; flowers small, white, in axillary spreading corymbs; fruits drupaceous, blue, glaucous, 7-8 cm in diam. A rare tree in the temperate forests.

On the way to Wamrung from Ronglong, 2360 m, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44690.

Potentilla fulgens Wall. ex Lehm. Rev. Poten. 54, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 349, 1878.

Small herb with stout, perennial rootstock; leaves pinnate, softly silky; flowers yellow in terminal panicle; fruit a cluster of achenes. Common on open ground.

On the road to Gomchu, 9 km from Wamrung, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43378; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5905.

P. kleiniana Wt. & Arn. Prodr. 300, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 359, 1878.

Annual herb with many prostrate or ascending stems; leaves digitately 3-5 foliolate; flowers yellow in terminal panicled cymes; fruit a cluster of achenes on a globose head. Rare on open slopes.

Chima Kathi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

P. monantha Lindl. var. **sibthorpioides** Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 358, 1878.

Small herb with a perennial rootstock and filiform prostrate stems.

leaves digitately 3-foliolate ; flowers yellow, axillary and solitary or sub-terminal ; fruit a cluster of very small achenes on a globose, villous receptacle.
Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

***Prinsepia utilis* Royle** Ill. 206, t. 38.f.1, 1839 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 323, 1878.

A middle sized tree ; leaves linear-oblong, up to 18 cm long ; flowers pink, in short, dense, axillary racemes ; drupe about 2 cm in diam., ovoid, rugose, with a ridge on one side. Common between 1500 to 2000 m.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 230.

***Prunus persica* Stokes** Bot. Mat. Med. 3 : 100, 1812.

Small tree, deciduous with lanceolate leaves; flowers white, solitary, sessile ; drupe 3-4 cm in diam., grooved on one side, tomentose, yellowish green in colour, often with pinkish tinge. Commonly cultivated at temperate regions.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5895.

***P. rufa* Wall. ex Hook. f.** Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 314, 1878.

A small tree, young branchlets densely tomentose ; leaves lanceolate up to 10 cm long, flowers pink, solitary or fascicled, axillary, 2 cm across ; drupe ellipsoid, red, stalk lengthening as fruit matures. Rare in exposed situation.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 436.

***Pyrus communis* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 479, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 374, 1878.**

Short tree, deciduous ; leaves oblong-ovate, rarely lobed ; flowers in short, terminal corymbs, white, 3.5 cm across ; fruit pyriform, about 5 cm long. Commonly cultivated.

Thimpu, 2700 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

***Rosa sericea* Lindl.** Ros. Monogr. 105. t. 12, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 367, 1879.

Low subscandent shrub of bushy habit, branches prickly or unarmed ; leaflets 7-9, stipules membranous ; flowers white, 5-7 cm across, terminating short lateral shoots ; fruit pyriform.

Thimpu, 2700 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

***R. indica* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 492, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 364, 1878.**

Common garden rose with more than one row of petals.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

***Rubus acuminatus* Sm.** in Rees Cyclop. 30 : 32, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 327, 1878.

Local name : Biraley Kara.

Scandent shrub, branches arched, prickles few, scattered, very small ; leaves thin, oblong, 8-14 cm long ; flowers white, in axillary or terminal corymbose panicle ; fruit globose, scarlet, spongy. Common in open jungles ; fruits edible.

On road to Narfong 16 km from Deothong, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43210 ; Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1550 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1104 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 375.

Rubus biflorus Sm. in Rees Cyclop. 30 : 9, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 383, 1878.

A rambling shrub ; stem and branches glaucous, armed with hooked prickles ; leaves 3 or 5 foliolate, leaflets ovate, lobulate, white beneath ; flowers white, axillary, solitary or 2-3 together ; fruit golden yellow, succulent, globose, 1.5-1.8 cm in diam. Occasional in open hill jungle.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

R. ellipticus Sm. in Rees Cyclop. 30 : 16, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 336, 1878.

Local name : Aishelu ; Niam rib.

A gregarious bushy shrub with spreading recurved branches, armed with scattered, hooked prickles ; leaflets 3, orbicular, obovate or elliptic ; flowers white, in short dense axillary or terminal panicles ; fruit globosa, golden yellow, succulent. A common shrub in open situation, fruits edible.

Sureylakha, 1400 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 945 ; Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1129 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 174 ; Dorokha, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, Thorathri 10523 ; Tashigong, 1400 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41182 ; Chaisilakha, 1300 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

R. ferox Wall. ex Kurz For. Fl. Brit. Burm. I : 437, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 329, 1878.

Local name : Pan-kara.

Bushy shrub, stem and branches stout, densely prickly with numerous short prickles ; leaves simple, lower 5-7 lobed, upper ovato-lanceolate, nerves palmately spreading ; flowers white, 2 cm across, in lax terminal or axillary panicles ; fruit red, globose, spongy. Frequent in open forest ; fruits edible.

Sureylakha, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 989.

R. gracilis Roxb. var. *hypargyrus* (Edgw.) Mukerjee comb. nov. *R. niveus*

Wall. ex Hook. f. var. *hypargyrus* (Edgw.) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 335, 1878.

Low bushy shrub armed with recurved prickles ; leaves pinnate, 3-5 foliolate, leaflets membranous, hoary beneath ; flowers in axillary or terminal cymes, pink ; fruits orange. On grassy slopes, rare ; fruits edible.

Chima Kothi, 2500 m, Maheshwari s.n.

Rubus hamiltoni Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 328, 1878.

Scandent shrub with stout stem and branches armed with recurved prickles ; leaves simple, oblong ; flowers in terminal, spreading panicles, white ; bracts covering the buds ; fruits black-purple. Occasional.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 862.

R. lineatus Reinw. ex Bl. Bijdr. 1108, 1826.

An undershrub, unarmed or almost so ; leaves 3 or 5 foliolate, lanceolate, under surface silky, silvery tomentose, nerves 20-30 on either side of the midrib, straight ; flowers white, in short axillary clusters or elongated terminal panicles ; fruits red, spongy, 2 cm long. Frequent on the fringe of the forest.

90 km Pointon road from Narfong to Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43326 ; road side between Wamrung and Narfong, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41911.

R. macilentus Camb. in Jacq. Voy. Bot. 49. t. 60, 1944 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 336, 1878.

A bushy shrub with trailing or ascending stem and branches armed with flattened prickles ; leaves pinnately 3-foliate, leaflets 3-5 cm long ; flowers small, white, axillary, solitary, or 2-3 together ; fruit globose, enclosed in the calyx, orange coloured. A rare plant.

Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1963, *Maheshwari* s.n.

R. moluccanus Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1179, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 330, 1872.

A robust, scandent shrub with spreading branches, armed with hooked prickles ; leaves simple, palmately 5-7 lobed, 10-25 cm in diam., smooth or covered with tubercles above, villous beneath ; flowers white, 2 cm across, in axillary capitate clusters or terminal panicles ; fruit globose, succulent, orange coloured. Common on open forests ; fruits edible.

Shemgang, 1900 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 399 ; on the road to Narfong, 10 km north from Deothong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43180.

R. niveus Thunb. var. *rosaeifolius* (Hook.f.) Hara Fl. East. Him. 130, 1966.

R. lasiocarpus Sm. var. *rosaeifolius* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 339, 1872.

Local name : Kooamrib.

A large rambling shrub, branches armed with compressed prickles ; leaves pinnately 5-9 foliolate, leaflets 2.5-3.5 cm long ; flowers deep pink, small, in axillary corymbs ; fruit globose, about 1.2 cm in diam., orange red. Frequent on open slopes ; fruits edible.

Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1147 ; Chima Kothi, 1200 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Rubus paniculatus Sm. in Rees Cyclop. 30 : 41, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 329, 1878.

A scrambling shrub with simple leaves, branches and leaves beneath covered with cottony tomentum ; prickles very few, minute ; flowers white, about 2.5 cm across, in lax spreading terminal panicle ; fruit globose, black. Rare.

1 km north of Wamrung, 2200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43344.

R. rosaefolius Sm. Pl. Icon. Ind. 3 : t. 160, 1791 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 341, 1878.

Serect bushy shrub ; branches slender, prickly ; leaves pinnately 5-7 foliolate, petioles usually prickly ; flowers white, solitary or in loose panicles, leaf opposed or terminal ; fruit globose, orange-red. Rare on fringe of forests.

Thimpu, 3000 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

Spiraea bella Sims in Bot. Mag. t. 2426, 1823 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 324, 1878.

Shrubs with stiff branches ; leaves simple, 2-5 cm, ovate ; flowers pink, in compact few-flowered cymes terminating the branches ; fruit a cluster of short, few seeded follicles. Rare in exposed situation.

Krishnagiri saddle, on road to Wamrung from Narfong, 2050 m. Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43311.

S. micrantha Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 325, 1878.

Shrubs with stout branches ; leaves simple, up to 18 cm long, ovato-lanceolate ; flowers in short, terminal, open cymes ; fruit a cluster of short villous follicles. Rare on rocky ground.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

SAXIFRAGACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA, A. S. RAO AND N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Astilbe rivularis Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nep. 211, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 389, 1878.

Erect herb with a perennial rootstock ; leaves large, twice or thrice ternate, leaflets 3-10 cm, ovate, veins prominent, stipules large, sheathing ; flowers small, many in terminal panicle ; capsule 7-9 mm long, dehiscing ventrally. Common on exposed hill slopes.

Nyoth-Tashiyangtsi track, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44200 ; Narfong, 2 km north along the stream 1850 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43259.

Chrysosplenium nepalense D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nep. 210, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 400, 1878.

A slender herb with ovate leaves and minute, axillary or terminal flowers ; fruit a small capsule with smooth seeds. A weed in damp places.
Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1288.

Tiarella polyphylla D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nep. 210, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 399, 1878.

Erect herb with perennial root ; radical leaves with long petiole and large adnate stipules, caudine leaves with short petioles and smaller stipules ; flowers small, in terminal raceme ; capsule unequal, 7-9 mm long. A rare plant.

On way to Laurijumpa from Tibrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41450.

ESCALLONIACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Itea macrophylla Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 419, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 408, 1878.

A small tree ; leaves wide ovate, up to 15 cm long, glandular denticulate ; flowers small, in axillary and terminal racemes ; capsule about 1 cm long. Rare.

Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1964, *Thothathri* 10416.

PHILADELPHACEAE

A. S. RAO AND N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Dichroa febrifuga Lour. Fl. Cochin. I : 301, 1790 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 406, 1878.

A shrub with dark purplish stem ; leaves lanceolate, up to 20 cm long ; flowers small in terminal panicle ; berry ovoid, 5 mm in diam., deep blue. Abundant between 1500-2000 m, in partial shade ; all parts medicinal in cold and fever.

Sureylakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 936 ; Dhumkhara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 7 ; 2 km west of Dentak Camp, 1800 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43224 ; 11 km from Gomchu to Rongthong, 2200 m, *A. S. Rao* 43224 ; Dorokha hill 1000 m, *Thothathri* 10475.

Philadelphus tomentosus Wall. ex G. Don Gen. Hist. 2 : 807, 1832. *P. coronarius* Linn. var. *tomentosus* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 407, 1878.

Shrubs with opposite branches ; leaves deciduous, opposite, ovato-lanceolate, 6-9 cm long ; flowers white, 2 cm across, in short, terminal cymes ; capsule 1.2 cm long, seeds many. Rare.

On way to Bomthong from Lhuntsi, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44544.

HYDRANGEACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE AND G. SEN GUPTA

Hydrangea anomala D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nep. 211, 1825. *H. altissima* Wall. Tent. Fl. Nep. t. 50, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 404, 1878.

A large shrub, 3-4 m high ; leaves ovato-lanceolate, up to 15 cm long ; flowers small, in terminal corymbs, outer flowers sterile with enlarged petaloid sepals ; capsule small, compressed. Rare.

Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; on road to Gomchu, 10 km from Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43386.

H. robusta Hook.f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 76, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 404, 1878.

A tall shrub, up to 5 m high ; leaves ovate, up to 22 cm long ; flowers in terminal corymbs with outer flowers sterile with petaloid sepals ; capsule subhemispheric, compressed. Common in lower temperate forests.

Nyoth forest towards Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44184 ; on way to Gongga from Yangtsi, *Balakrishnan* 41483; on road to Narfong, 10 km from Deothong, 1400 m, A. S. Rao 43186 ; near Betni bridge, 1050 m., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1062; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10495.

var. griffithii Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 404, 1878.

A tree, up to 10 m high ; leaves narrowed into the petiole. Rare.
Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 221.

CRASSULACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE AND G. SEN GUPTA

Sedum elongatum Wall. ex Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 98, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 419, 1878.

Succulent herbs, stems up to 50 cm high, leafy ; leaves oblong or elliptic, sessile or almost so ; flowers in terminal loose cymes ; petals lanceolate, black-purple ; fruit a cluster of small follicles. Frequent on the rock crevices.

Paro, 2500 m, *Mukerjee* 5893.

S. multicaule Wall. ex Lindl. Bot. Reg. (Misc.) 58, 1840 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 422, 1878.

Small succulent herb, about 20 cm high, stem much branched from base ; flowers in terminal cymes, yellow ; cyme branches elongate and divaricate in fruit. Common on the rocks.

Ha Valley, 3200 m, *Sen Gupta* 677 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Paro, 2500 m, *Mukerjee* 5860 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, *Sen Gupta* 1591.

S. triactina Hook.f. & Thoms. in Engl. Pflanzenf. ed. 2, 18a : 460, 1930.
Triactinia verticillata Hook.f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 103, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 423, 1878.

A weak succulent herb on rock crevices ; flowers yellow. Rare.
 Dochu La, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

HAMAMELIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE, A. S. RAO AND N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Altingia excelsa Noronha in Varh. Bat. Genoot. 5 : 41, 1827 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 429, 1878.

A large tree ; leaves elliptic-lanceolate, up to 12 cm long, stipulate ; flowers unisexual, in separate heads, the male heads in racemes, the female heads solitary ; fruit-heads globose. A rare tree.

3 km from Kharsang towards Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41804.

Corylopsis himalayana Griff. in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 23 : 642, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 427, 1878.

Shrub with deciduous leaves and stipules ; leaves ovate, plicate, nerves prominent, parallel ; flowers pale yellow, in pendulous racemes, bracts large, sheathing ; capsule woody. Occasional.

Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Wamrung, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41146 ; in the valley from Jerichu to Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43432.

Exbucklandia populnea (R. Br. ex Griff.) R. W. Br. in Journ. Wash. Acad. Sci. 36 : 348, 1946. *Bucklandia populnea* R. Br. ex Griff. in Asiatic Res. 19 : 95, t. 13-14, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 429, 1878.

A tall tree ; leaves broadly ovato-cordate, chartaceous, margin cartilaginous ; flowers small, in heads, peduncles axillary, 2-5 together ; capsule woody. Dominant tree in forests between 1300-2400 m.

Rani Camp, Gulibrous forest, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 234 ; Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41916.

COMBRETACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA AND K. C. MALICK

Combretum flagrocarpum Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 455, 1878.

Local name : Debre lahara ; Sheti lahara.

An extensive climber ; leaves opposite, elliptic up to 15 cm long, glandular punctate beneath ; flowers small, in axillary racemes ; fruit red or dark brown, about 3 cm long and broad with 4 papery wings. Scattered in subtropical forests.

Betni, 1400 m, Dec. 1863, *Sen Gupta* 1047 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 183 ; Samchi, 200 m, *Thothathri* 10546 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 103.

Terminalia belerica Roxb. Pl. Corm. 2 : 54. t. 198, 1789 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 445, 1878.

Tall deciduous tree with elliptic leaves, clustered towards the ends of branches ; leaves up to 15 cm long, petiole half as long as blade ; flowers small, in axillary spikes ; fruit globose, about 2 cm in diam., narrowed to a short stalk, fulvous tomentose. Rare.

Samdrup Jhonkar, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44699.

T. citrina Roxb. ex Flem. in As. Res. 11 : 183, 1810; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 446, 1878.

A tall tree ; leaves subopposite, elliptic, up to 15 cm long ; flowers small, in lateral and terminal spikes ; fruits oblong or ovoid. Scattered at the edge of the forests ; decoction of fruits taken in cough and cold.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 885.

T. myriocarpa Heurck et Muell.-Arg. Obs. Bot. 215, 1871 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 448, 1878.

A large tree ; leaves elliptic or oblong, up to 20 cm long, nerves many, parallel ; flowers in dense axillary spikes ; fruits orange, with 2 broad and 1 narrow wings. Scattered in subtropical forests.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 437 ; Samchi 250 m, *Thothathri* 10568 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 385 ; 4 km to Monger Dzong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44630.

MYRIFACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Eugenia kurzii Duthie ex Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 46(2) : 68, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 478, 1878.

A large tree ; branches white, subtriangularous ; leaves coriaceous, lanceolate, up to 18 cm long ; flowers small, white, in axillary racemes, often racemes in axils of fallen leaves ; stamens many, filaments slender ; berries small, globose.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 36 ; Kamji, 1000 m, *Subba Rao* 343.

Syzygium oblatum (Roxb.) Wall. ex Cowan et Cowan, Tr. N. Bengal 67, 1929. *Eugenia oblata* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 493, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 492, 1878.

A small tree with broadly lanceolate leaves ; flowers 2-3 cm in diam. pink, in trichotomous paniculate cymes ; stamens many, filaments long ; berries spherical, about 3 cm in diam. Scarce in dense tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 898.

S. claviflorum Wall. ex Cowan et Cowan, I.c. 68, 1929. *Eugenia claviflora* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 488, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 484, 1878.

A small tree ; leaves lanceolate, up to 15 cm long, nerves close ; flowers in lateral corymbs, berries oblong, 2-3 cm long.

MELIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Careya arborea Roxb. Pl. Corom. 3 : 14, t. 218, 1819; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 511, 1879.

Medium sized tree, deciduous for a short period ; leaves obovate or oblong, short petioled, up to 30 cm long, green turning to red-purple in drying ; flowers large, usually 3 in axillary spikes ; petals 3 cm long, white, caducous ; stamens many, in three or more whorls, filaments red, connate at base ; fruit a globose, fibrous berry, 5-8 cm in diam. Occasional in open forests.

Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

MELASTOMACEAE

M. P. NAYAR

Medinilla rubicunda (Jack) Bl. in Flora 14 : 512, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 547, 1879.

Local name : Bogitenga.

An erect shrub ; leaves subsessile or shortly petiolate, elliptic or oblong-elliptic, glabrous, young leaves pinkish, 3-5 nerved, cross-venules absent ; inflorescence in short few flowered axillary cymes ; flowers 4-merous ; calyx tube campanulate, teeth not prominent ; petals rose coloured ; stamens 8, connective shortly produced at the base, dorsally ending in a spur ; fruit a berry.

G. E. Camp 1900 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43578.

Mclastoma malabathricum Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 390, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 523, 1879.

Local name : Phutuka, Phutki.

A bushy shrub ; leaves elliptic or oblong-lanceolate, upper surface scarious, under surface scaly and strigose, 5-7 nerved ; inflorescence terminal, in clusters of 3-5 flowers ; calyx tube densely covered with scales, lobes lanceolate, hairy outside, glabrous within ; petals usually 5 ; stamens 10, alternating stamens have long produced connective, connective not produced in the remaining ones ; fruit coriaceous or fleshy berry, dehiscing irregularly.

Tama, 500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1131.

Osbeckia crinita Benth. (in Wall. Cat. No. 4066) in Ann. Sc. Nat. ser. III, 14 : 72, 1850 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 517, 1879.

Local name : Ja-lang-Kithem.

Shrub, densely hairy ; leaves oblong-lanceolate or ovate-lanceolate, 5-7 nerved, cross-venules distinct, hairy ; inflorescence in crowded corymbs ; flowers 4 or 5-merous ; calyx tube with stellate hairs, lobes subulate and setose ; petals 4 or 5 ; stamens 8 or 10, rostrate ; apex of the ovary plurisetose ; fruit a capsule.

Chenari village, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43157 ; Tama, 500-550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1174 ; Rani Camp, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 196.

O. nepalensis Hook.f. Fl. Exot. t. 31, 1822 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 521, 1879. *

A shrub with angulate branches and adpressed stiff hairs ; leaves lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, 5-nerved, strigose on both surfaces ; petiole very short ; inflorescence in corymbose cymes ; bract ovate with hairs in the centre and base, ciliate along the margins ; calyx with ciliate fringed scales, lobes lanceolate, glabrous, ciliate along the margins ; petals 5 ; stamens 10, anthers attenuate but not rostrate ; apex of the ovary strigose with a ring of bristles ; fruit a capsule.

Rani Camp to Tama, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 275.

O. nutans Wall. ex Triana in Trans. Linn. Soc. 28 : 54, 1871 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 521, 1879.

A small wiry much branched shrub with adpressed strigose pubescence ; leaves narrowly lanceolate, lineolate and glabrous on the upper surface, when dry under surface of leaf yellowish, 3-nerved, nerves strigose on the under surface ; flowers in short axillary or terminal peduncles with 1-3 flowers, usually 5-merous ; calyx tube widely campanulate, glabrous or with ciliate fringed scales, lobes lanceolate, ciliate ; petals 5, pale purple ; stamens twice as many as petals, anthers attenuate ; apex of the ovary setose ; fruit a capsule.

Samchi, Dhoankhola, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10387.

O. stellata Wall. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nep. 221, 1825-in part ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 517, 1879.

A shrub with densely adpressed hairs ; leaves lanceolate with short hairs on both surfaces, glabrescent, 5-7-nerved ; inflorescence in close corymbs ; flowers 4-merous, large ; calyx campanulate, densely covered with stellate hairs, calyx teeth subulate and stellate hairy ; petals 4, large ; stamens 8, long rostrate ; apex of the ovary pluri-setose ; fruit a capsule.

Kanglung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43551 ; near Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43567 ; Sangura, 1200 m, Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6065 ; Kamji, 1333 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5982.

Oxyspora paniculata DC. Prodr. 3 : 123, 1828 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 525, 1879.

Local name : Lang-tang.

A bushy shrub with quadrangular branches, stellate-furfuraceous with spreading bristles ; leaves ovate-oblong or elliptic, upper surface stellate-puberulous when young, glabrescent later on, under surface stellate pubescent along the nerves, 7-9 nerved, cross-venules distinct and prominent on both surfaces, petiole long and stellate furfuraceous ; inflorescence terminal, paniculate ; flowers 4-merous ; calyx tube cylindrical with 4 obtuse lobes, stellate-furfuraceous ; petals 4, ovate-oblong ; stamens 8, very unequal and anthers dissimilar, larger anther linear subulate, curved, base prominently two lobed, smaller stamen linear-oblong, bilobed at the base, connective dorsally ending in a spur ; ovary concrecent with the calyx tube by 8 septa ; fruit a capsule.

18 km down from Garrison Engineer's Camp to Deothong on road, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43594 ; Samchi, Chourini Hill, 500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10366 ; Kamji, 1333 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5981.

Pseudodissochaeta assamica (C. B. Clarke) Nayar in Journ. Bombay nat.

Hist. Soc. 65 : 559, 1969. *Anplectrum assamicum* C. B. Clarke in Hook.f., Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 546, 1879.

Local name : Lotaphutkola.

Shrub with quadrangular branches, sparsely setose ; leaves elliptic-lanceolate or oblong-lanceolate, upper surface glabrous, nerves on the under surface covered with bristles, in between the nerves glabrous, 5-7 nerved, cross-venules distinct and prominent, petiole short ; inflorescence paniculate, terminal ; flowers 4-merous ; calyx tube campanulate, 8-ribbed, 4-lobed, lobes not prominent ; petals ovate, pale mauve ; stamens 8 equal or subequal, connective not produced, dorsally ending in a ovate-triangular appendage and ventrally ending in two auricles ; ovary concrecent with the calyx tube by 8 septa ; fruit a berry.

Sinc loc. *Griffith* 2018.

Sarcopyramis nepalensis Wall. Tent. Flor. Nap. 32, t. 23, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 541, 1879.

An erect, few-branched, more or less fleshy, glabrous herb ; leaves opposite, often unequal in size, ovate or ovate-oblong, 3-5 nerved, transparent when dry, petiole long ; inflorescence in terminal or axillary heads of few flowers, bracts large, foliaceous and envelops the flower buds ; calyx tube triangular-campanulate, glabrous, 4-lobed with pinnatifid teeth ; petals 4. Stamens 8, anther oblong, base rounded and apex obtusely two-lobed, connective dorsally ending in a short spur ; ovary totally adnate to the calyx tube ; fruit a capsule.

1 km north of Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43333.

SONNERATIACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Duabanga grandiflora (Roxb.) Walp. Rep. 2 : 114, 1843. *D. sonneratoides* Buch.-Ham. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 17 : 178, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 579, 1879.

Large trees with pendent branches ; leaves opposite and distichous, oblong, up to 25 cm long, glossy green above, pale beneath, nerves prominent, parallel ; flowers in terminal few flowered panicles ; calyx thick with 4-7 lobes, 2.5 to 3 cm wide at base ; petals white ; stamens many ; capsule globose, adnate to the spreading calyx. Scattered in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 907 ; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1204 ; Phuntsholing, Subha Rao 59.

LATHRACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA AND K. C. MAEICK

Lagerstroemia parviflora Roxb. Pl. Corm. I : 47. t. 66, 1795. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 575, 1879.

A small tree with buff coloured bark, exfoliating in thin flaks ; leaves oblong, up to 8 cm long, whitish beneath ; flowers white, about 2 cm in diam., in axillary or terminal panicles ; capsule oblong, up to 2.5 cm long, adnate to the calyx ; seeds winged. Common in tropical forests.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1218 ; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 412 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

Rotala indica (Willd.) Koehne in Eng. Bot. Jahrb. 1 : 172, 1880. *Ammania peploides* Spr. Syst. Veg. 1 : 444, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 566, 1879.

Small annual herb with soft decumbent stems ; leaves elliptic, 1.5-2 cm long ; flowers pink, very small, in dense axillary spikes or often solitary ; capsule very small ; seeds many, pink. Common in damp places in the plains as well as in the lower hills.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 363 ; Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10361.

Woodfordia fruticosa (L.) Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 40(2) : 56, 1871.
W. floribunda Salisb. Parad. Lond. t. 42, 1806 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 572, 1879.

Large shrub with spreading and somewhat drooping branches ; leaves lanceolate, grey pubescent beneath with black dots ; flowers tubular, about 2 cm long, scarlet, in few flowered axillary cymes ; capsule ellipsoid, included in calyx. Common in lower elevations.

Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1192.

ONAGRACEAE

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Circaeа alpina Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 9, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 589, 1879.

Small erect herb with broadly ovate, pellucid, leaves ; flowers white, small, in terminal racemes ; fruit about 3 mm obovoid, indehiscent. Common in the open in temperate regions.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; Honshu 2850 m, *Sen Gupta* 1780.

C. repens Wall. ex Asch. et Mag. in Bot. Zeit. 28 : 761, 1870. *C. lutetiana* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 589, 1879 non Linn. *C. alpina* Linn. var. *himalaica* Clarke Ibid. 2 : 589, 1879.

Herbs up to 60 cm high, erect or often decumbent ; leaves ovato-lanceolate, up to 5 cm long ; flowers small, white or pinkish, in terminal racemes ; fruit obovoid, about 3 mm long, covered with long, yellow hooked hairs. Occasional at higher level.

Lumichawa, 2800 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Epilobium cylindricum D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nep. 222, 1825. *E. roseum* Schreb. var. *cylindricum* (D. Don) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 585, 1879.

Erect herbs, 30-45 cm high ; leaves linear-lanceolate, 3-5 cm long ; flowers rose coloured, axillary or in terminal raceme ; capsule dehiscing from the apex ; seeds obovoid, minutely papillose. Common on road side. Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5843.

Ludwigia octovalvis (Jacq.) Raven ssp. *sessiliflora* (Mich.) Raven in Reinwardtia 6 : 362, 1963. *Jussiaea suffruticosa* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 388, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 587, 1879.

An erect undershrub, up to 150 cm tall ; leaves lanceolate, up to 8 cm long, sessile or so ; flowers yellow, axillary, solitary ; capsule linear, 8-ribbed, 3-5 cm long. Common in swampy areas.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 845 : Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deh* 110.

Ludwigia perennis Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 119, 1753. *L. parviflora* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 419, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 588, 1879.

Undershrub, up to 75 cm high ; leaves lanceolate, 5-8 cm long ; flowers yellow, solitary, axillary ; fruit linear-oblong, smooth and inflated, about 1 cm long. Occasional in damp situations.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 43.

L. prostrata Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 441, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 588, 1879.

Herb with ascending stem and branches : leaves lanceolate, up to 8 cm long ; flowers solitary, axillary, yellow ; fruit linear up to 2 cm long, not inflated. Occasional on rocky soil in river bank.

Gaylegphug, 170 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 854.

CUCURBITACEAE

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Cucumis sativus Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1012, 1753 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 620, 1879.

An annual, climbing by means of tendrils, hirsute all over : leaves broadly ovate cordate, 12-18 cm wide, palmately 3-5 lobed : flowers unisexual, yellow, axillary, males in fascicles, females solitary or fasciculate ; fruit fleshy and indehiscent 8-16 cm long, oblong ; seeds white, elliptic, compressed, 8-12 mm long. Cultivated at lower levels.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deh* 338 (an escape from cultivation).

Diplocyclos palmatus (Linn.) C. Jeffrey in Kew Bull. 15 : 352, 1962. *Bryonia laciniosa* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 1013, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 622, 1879.

Local name : Bon kakra.

Scandent or trailing annual ; leaves deeply palmately 5-lobed, ovate-cordate, 8-12 cm wide, tendril bifid ; flowers small, greenish yellow, in axillary fascicles ; fruit globose, about 1.5 cm in diam., fleshy and indehiscent, yellowish green, narrowly six-striped ; margins of seed thick. Scattered on waste grounds.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 916 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 374.

Edgaria darjeelingensis Clarke in Journ. Linn. Soc. 15 : 113, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 632, 1879.

Trailing herbs, climbing by bifid tendrils ; leaves ovate-cordate, acute or acuminate, 8-12 cm long, margin entire ; flowers unisexual, yellow, in axillary fascicles ; fruit fusiform, trigonous, trilocular, dry and fibrous :

seeds compressed, subtrilobed and slightly corrugated near the base. Very common in open areas and along roads.

Rani Camp, 165 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 226.

Gymnopetalum cochinchinense (Lour.) Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 40 : 57, 1871 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 611, 1879.

Climbing herbs, tendrils bifid ; leaf membranous, ovate, angular or shortly-lobed, 4-6 cm long ; flowers unisexual, white, axillary, males solitary or in racemes, females solitary ; fruit baccate, ovoid-oblong, shortly villous, sharply 10 ribbed, \pm 5 cm long, red when ripe ; seeds dusky, compressed, 7-8 mm long. Occasional in open jungles.

Samdrup Jhonkar, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43600.

Gymnostemma pentaphyllum (Thunb.) Makino in Bot. Mag. Tokyo 16 : 179, 1902 ; Bl. Bijdr. 23, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 633, 1879.

Scandent or climbing herbs, tendril simple or bifid ; leaves pedately 3-7 foliolate, membranous, middle leaflet 8-14 cm long, lateral leaflets shorter ; flowers unisexual, small, white, in axillary or rarely terminal panicles ; fruit fleshy and indehiscent, globose, dull green, 7-9 mm in diam. 1-3 seeded. Common in temperate region.

On road to Narsong, 10 km north of Deothong, 1400 m, A. S. Rao 43195 ; Wamzung, 2400 m, Sept. 1966, A. S. Rao 43339 ; Gomchu, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43396.

Hodgsonia macrocarpa (Bl.) Cogn. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 3 : 349, 1881. *H. heteroclita* (Roxb.) Hook.f. & Thoms. in Proc. Linn. Soc. 2 : 257, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 606, 1879.

Large climber with bifid tendrils ; leaves orbicular to reniform in outline, 3-5 lobed, 15-20 cm across ; flowers unisexual, yellow outside, white within, male flowers in axillary racemes, females solitary, axillary ; calyx 8-10 cm long, tubular ; corolla fimbriate, fringes up to 15 cm long ; fruit depressed ovoid, 12-grooved, 10-16 cm wide tomentose ; seeds ellipsoid, flat, 3-7 cm long. Occasional ; woody fruits persist up to the following year.

Local name : Kanan champa lahara.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 867 ; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, Deb 131.

Indofevillea khasiana Chatterji in Kew Bull. 1947 : 119, 1947.

A stout climber, woody below ; leaves broadly ovato-cordate, up to 27 cm long ; tendril up to 30 cm long, bifid ; flowers unisexual, corymbose, axillary ; fruit fusiform, up to 30 cm long, seeds ovoid, compressed up to 4 cm long. Rare in open forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May, 1964, Sen Gupta 1431.

Luffa cylindrica (Linn.) Roem. Syn. Mon. 2 : 63, 1846. *L. aegyptiaca* Mill. ex Hook.f. in Fl. Trop. Afr. 2 : 530; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 614. 1879.

Local name : Ghirola.

An extensive climber ; leaves palmately 5-lobed or angular, up to 25 cm across ; tendril bi- or trifid ; flowers yellow, unisexual, male flowers in axillary racemes, females solitary ; fruit up to 20 cm long, fusiform or cylindric, fibrous inside ; seeds black, ovate, compressed, 12-14 mm long. Cultivated and found wild in lower levels.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 917 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 69.

Melothria indica Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 35. 1790 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 626, 1879.

A trailing herb, stem slender, much branched ; lamina membranous, deltoid-ovate or cordate-ovate, often trilobed, up to 6 cm across ; tendril filiform, simple ; flowers unisexual, white, small, in axillary fascicles or racemes, often solitary ; fruit oblong, up to 1.5 cm long, white ; seeds obovate, 5-6 mm long, greyish. Common in lower elevations in the open.

Local name : Bin jahara.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 842 ; near Betni Khola, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1031 ; on road to Deothong 15 km down from Garrison Engineer's Camp, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43593.

M. maderaspatana (Linn.) Cogn. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 3 : 623, 1881.

Mukia scabrella Arn. in Hook. Journ. Bot. 3 : 276, 1840 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 623, 1879.

Prostrate or trailing annual, stem and branches slender ; leaves ovate or sub-deltoid angular or 3-5 lobed up to 15 cm long ; tendril slender, simple ; flowers small, yellow, unisexual, males in axillary fascicles or in spikes, females solitary or fasciculate ; fruit globose, brownish yellow, " 7-12 mm across ; seeds grey, 4 mm long or shorter. Common at lower levels.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 811 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 304 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 111.

Momordica charantia Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1009, 1753.

Slender, trailing or climbing herb ; leaves pedately 5-7 lobed, membranous, suborbicular in outline, up to 12 cm across ; flowers unisexual, small, yellow, axillary, solitary ; fruit fusiform, tuberculate, up to 20 cm long, trivalved, dehiscing from the apex ; seed embedded in red pulp, compressed, 12-16 mm long, oblong, sculptured. Cultivated and found as escape at lower levels ; used as a vegetable and medicine.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 105 ; Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 154 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Thladiantha calcarata Cong. in DC. Monogr. Phan. 3 : 423, 1881. *T. dubia* Bunge sensu Hook.f. in Bot. Mag. t. 5469, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 631, 1879.

A large climber, tendril simple, stout ; leaves ovate cordate, up to 14 cm long ; flowers yellow, males in axillary racemes, females solitary ; fruit oblong, 3-4 cm long, longitudinally 12-15 nerved ; seeds rugose.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 432 ; on road to Narfong, 16 km north from Deothong, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43208.

Trichosanthes wallichiana (Ser.) Wt. in Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. 8 : 270, 1842.

T. multiloba Miq. sensu Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 607, 1879.

Extensive climber, much branched, tendril 2-3 fid ; leaves suborbicular, deeply palmately 3-9 lobed, 10-20 cm across ; flowers unisexual, white, male in long axillary racemes, females solitary ; fruit ovoid, acute at apex, up to 8 cm long, fleshy and indehiscent, bright red with orange streaks. Rare.

Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43444.

Zanonia indica Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1457. 1763 (ed. 2) ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 633, 1879.

Extensive climber with a robust stem, woody below ; tendril simple ; leaves coriaceous, trinerved, ovato-oblong, up to 20 cm long ; flowers unisexual, small, buff-coloured, in axillary panicles or racemes ; fruits obconic, truncate and 3-valved at apex, up to 10 cm long ; seeds compressed, surrounded by a large membranous wing. Frequent.

On road to Rongthong, 25 km from Gomchu, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43470 ; 1 km north of Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43337.

BEGONIACEAE

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Begonia nepalensis (A.DC.) Warburg in Engl. Pfl. fam. 3 : 142, 1894. *B. gigantea* Wall. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 643, 1879.

Erect herb, up to 100 cm high, with a thick woody rootstock ; leaves large, unequal sided, caudate-acuminate, 20-32 cm long ; flowers small, white, in axillary, long peduncled, dichotomous cymes, unisexual ; fruit capsular, 2.5 mm across, triquetrous with one broad and 2 narrow papery wings. In moist shady place inside the forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 840 ; Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10410.

B. rubro-venia Hook. f. in Bot. Mag. t. 4689, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 645, 1879.

Small herb, up to 40 cm high, stem soft with thick rootstock ; leaves oblique, elliptic or lanceolate, up to 15 cm long, margin often angular ; flower unisexual, in axillary, long peduncled cymes : perianth segments white, outer with rose-red veins ; capsules 2.5-3 cm wide, with one broad and 2 narrow wings. Fairly common in shaded forests below temperate regions.

Batase, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1015 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 353 ; Garrison Engineer's Camp, Sept. 1963, *A. S. Rao* 43573 & 43576.

UMBELLIFERAE

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***Bupleurum candolii* DC.** Prodr. 4 : 131, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 674, 1879.

Perennial herb, stem fistular ; leaves 1.5-10 cm long and 0.8-2.5 cm broad, lanceolate elliptic, sessile or sub-sessile, amplexicaul, thin, acute, margin white ; involucral bracts 1-3, ovate, foliaceous ; rays 5-8, slender, up to 4 cm long, unequal, bractlets 5, ovate, equal to umbells ; fruit elliptic curved, ribs prominent, unwinged.

Thinbygaon, 3300 m, Sept. 1964, *Hakra* 393 ; near Ha Valley, 3300 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 649.

***B. falcatum* Linn.** Sp. Pl. 1 : 237, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 676, 1879.

Perennial herb, shrubby ; lower leaves linear-lanceolate, falcate, up to 10 cm long, margin white ; involucral bracts 2-5, minute ; rays 7-10, up to 3 cm long, unequal ; flowers about 10.

Confluence (Thimpu chu and Parochu), 2400 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1193.

***Centella asiatica* (Linn.) Urb.** in Martius, Fl. Bras. 11 : 287, 1879. *Hydrocotyle asiatica* Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 234, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 669, 1879.

Stems creeping, glabrate ; leaves orbicular, ovate-cordate, 1-3 cm long and 1.5-4 cm broad ; umbells 2-4 flowered ; peduncles 1-2 cm to obsolete ; involucral bracts ovate, scarious ; fruit ellipsoid, 2 mm in diameter, pale red.

Tama, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1162 ; Jalela hills, Paro valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1332 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Dec. 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1110.

***Chaerophyllum reflexum* Lindl.** in Royle Ill. Bot. Himal. 232, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 691, 1876.

Glabrescent herb ; leaves bipinnate, finely divided ; fruit oblong, 0.25-0.5 cm beaked, ridges prominent.

Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43338.

Foeniculum vulgare Miller, Gard. Dict. ed. 8 : *Foeniculum*, no. i. 1768.

F. vulgare Gaertn. Fruct. 1 : 105, t. 23, 1788 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 695, 1879.

Glabrous tall herb ; leaves several pinnate, ultimate segments linear ; bracts and bracteoles 0 ; fruit not compressed, ellipsoid, ribes prominent, unequal.

Jhorsingong, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43501.

Heracleum obtusifolium DC. Prodr. 4 ; 191, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 714, 1879.

Plant 1-1.5 m tall ; leaves 3-5 partite, white below up to 15 cm long and 14 cm broad, round crenate ; bracts 2 to 5 ; rays up to 30, 10 cm long ; bractlets 4-8, linear, 0.8 cm long ; pedicels 15-20, 1-1.5 cm ; fruit obovate.

Chila, 4300 m, Aug. 1964, Sen Gupta 1287.

Hydrocotyle javanica Thunb. Diss. Hydrocot. 17 : 2, 1798 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 667, 1879 (p.p.)

Prostrate, pubescent herb ; leaves 2-4 cm long and 2.7 cm broad, orbicular reniform, 7 lobed, lobes rounded or acute ; petiole 1-1.2 cm, hirsute ; umbels simple, about 30 flowered, globose, compact ; pedicels 0.5-1 mm ; flowers white ; fruit sub-orbicular, broader than long, purple mottled.

Tama, 1200-1500 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1160 ; on the way to Chima Kothi, 2400 m, Sept. 1964, Abraham E2319.

H. javanica Thunb. var. *podantha* (Molk.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 668, 1879.

Pubescent creeping herb ; leaves 8-3 cm long and 1.5-3.5 cm broad, orbicular reniform, crenately lobed, petiole 1-6 cm long, hirsute, peduncles leaf opposed, 0.4-6 cm long, hirsute ; umbels simple, 35 flowered, globose, pedicels up to 3.5 cm ; flowers white ; fruit sub-orbicular, yellowish-gray, broader than long.

Chima Kothi, Sept. 1964, Abraham E 2312 ; Dorokha, 700 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10500 ; Changdachungli hills, 1300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10566 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 91 or 16 ; 35 km north on road from Deothong to Narfong, 1740 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43221.

H. sibthorpioides Lam. Encl. Meth. 3 : 153, 1789. *Hydrocotyle rotundifolia* Roxb. ex DC. Prodr. 4 : 64, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 668, 1879.

Creeping, filiform, glabrous herb ; leaves 0.5-1 cm in diameter, sub-orbicular, shallowly 5-7 lobed, pubescent, lobes crenate, petioles filiform, 0.5-2.5 cm long ; umbels 5-8 flowered, sessile to sub-sessile ; pedicels 0.5 mm ; flowers white ; fruit sub-orbicular.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Dec. 1964, Sen Gupta 1108.

Oenanthe hookeri Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 697, 1879.

Erect spreading herb ; stem hollow ; leaves reduced to fistular rachis with a remote linear pinna ; bract 1, linear ; rays 4-8, 1-4.5 cm long : bracteoles linear ; flower purple.

Ha, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 679 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5875.

***O. javanica* (Bl.) DC. Prodr. 4 : 138, 1830. *Oenanthe stolonifera* Roxb. ex DC. 4 : 138, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 696, 1879.**

Herb, stoloniferous ; leaves pinnately compound, leaflets 2-4.5 cm by 1-2 cm, lanceolate, serrate ; rays 6-30, 0.5-5 cm long ; fruit subquadrate ellipsoid, ridges distinct.

5 km north of Narfong, along the road, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43299.

***Physospermopsis obtusiuscula* (DC.) Norman in Journ. Bot. 76 : 231, 1938.**

Trachydium obtusiusculum (DC.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 673, 1879.

Erect herb ; leaves rosette, glabrous, pinnate, 3-7 cm long ; bracts foliaceous ; bracteoles similar, pinnatifid ; rays 12-18, 3-5 cm long ; fruit elongated, ovoid, 2.5-3 mm, slightly constricted at the commissure, ridges 5, distinct, simple, inflated.

Chila on way to Paro, 3650-4150 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 712.

***Pimpinella diversifolia* DC. Prodr. 4 : 122, 1830. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 688, 1879.**

Glabrescent herb ; cauline leaves with 3-5 leaflets or sub-bi-pinnate, leaflets 2-4 cm by 1.5-2 cm, ovate, acute, cordate or rounded at base, serrate to crenate dentate ; bracts and bracteoles 0 ; rays 6-8. Fruit 2 mm, laterally compressed, ridges not prominent.

— Tabachettu, Thimpu, Sept. 1964, *Abraham* E2340 ; Dochu La, 3470 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 439.

***Sanicula elata* Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 183, 1825.**

S. europea Linn. sensu Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 670, 1879.

Herb ; leaves glabrous, serrate ; petiole up to 15 cm tall ; umbel 2-3 ; rays divaricate, dichotomous ; umbellules few flowered.

14 km from Wamrung on road from Gomchu, 2400 m, April 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43389.

***Selinum candolii* DC. Prodr. 4 : 165, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 700, 1879.**

S. tenuifolium Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 700, 1879.

Stem pinkish, ± 1 m tall ; leaves pinnate, ultimate segments narrow, lanceolate, acute ; flowers white ; fruits greenish ; rays 30, up to 6.5 cm long.

Chi La, 4300 m, Aug. 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1286; Wamrung approach, 2300 m, April 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43362.

Selinum striatum (DC.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 699, 1879.

Glabrous herb, 60 cm tall, with many withered fibres at the base; leaves 20 cm long, pinnate; sheath continuous along the petiole; bracts 4-6, linear, up to 1.5 cm; bracteoles 0.5 cm, 4-8, lanceolate, white marginal, serrate; rays pubescent, 18-25, up to 4.5 cm; flowers white; fruit somewhat dorsally compressed, 1.5-2 cm.

Dochu La, 3450 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 406.

Torilis japonica (Houtt.) DC. Prodr. 4 : 219, 1830. *Caucalis anthriscus* Huds Fl. Angl. 99, 1762; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 718, 1879.

Stout hispid herb; leaves bi-pinnate, leaflets ovate-oblong, pinnately lobed; involucre of 4-8 linear bracts, longer than pedicel; flowers white; fruit ovate-oblong, densely covered with incurved ascending uncinate bristles.

Gomehu hill, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43403.

Vicatia conifolia DC. Prodr. 4 : 243, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 671, 1879.

Glabrous herbs; leaves pinnately compound, ultimate segments of leaves linear; umbels compound, peduncle 3-9 cm long; primary rays 5-6, 2-4 cm long, secondary rays 5-10, 1.5 cm long; fruit ovoid, not compressed, constricted at the commissure, sub-pentagonal, 2 cm long and 1 cm broad.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5878.

V. millefolia (L.) Clarke, in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 671, 1879.

Glabrous herb; leaves pinnately compound, ultimate segments of the leaves setaceous, leaf sheath broadened, spathe-like; umbels compound; primary rays 6-8, 1-3.5 cm long, secondary rays 8; flowers white.

Chi La on way to Paro, 3650-4140 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 713.

ARALIACEAE

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Acanthopanax leucorrhizus (Oliv.) Harms in Nat. Pflanzenfam. 3(8) : 49, 1894.

Glabrous shrubs, prickly at the nodes or 1-2 at the internodes having terminal or axillary peduncles; fruits blackish with persistent connate styles.

Yosipong, 2135-2440 m, fruiting Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 467(CAL). This species, a native of China is a new record for the Himalayan Flora.

Aralia foliolosa (Wall.) Seem. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 723, 1879.

Medium sized prickly shrubs or trees, glabrous or nearly so with large, 2 or 3-pinnate leaves and large inflorescences.

Betni, near khola, 500 m, flowering Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1056(CAL).

Brassaiopsis aculeata (Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don) Seem. in Journ. Bot. 2 : 293,

1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 738, 1879.

Small prickly trees with soft rusty stellate tomentose leaves, having large, compound, pubescent panicles.

Chaisilakha, flowering Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 325(CAL).

B. hainla (Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don) Seem. in Journ. Bot. 2 : 291, 1864 ;

Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 735, 1879.

Small trees of about 7 m tall ; cream yellow flowers on large terminal, glandular, hairy rachis.

Sham Khara 1350 m, flowering Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1127 (CAL) ; Shemgang 1950 m, flowering Nov. 1964, *Deb* 429 (CAL) ; Shali, 1900 m, Tashigong to Yangsi Tract, along the slopes of the hills, on rocky loam, faintly moist soil, frequent, flowering March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41308 (ASSAM) ; Chaisilakha, 1525 m, fruiting April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5142 (CAL), *Subba Rao* 437 (CAL).

B. hispida Seem. in Journ. Bot. 292, 1864 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 736, 1879.

Small, erect, thorny trees or shrubs with palmatified leaves ; greenish flowers on terminal, spinescent, rusty brown, hairy inflorescences.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, flowering Nov. 1964, *Deb* 77 (CAL) ; scarce, Tashiyangtsi forest, in shady places of the hill slopes, rocky loam with moisture, flowering Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44307 (ASSAM) ; Tashiyangtsi forest, 1800 m, along the bank of the river Dondichu in rocky situation, flowering March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41386 (ASSAM).

Hedera nepalensis K. Koch Hort Dendrol. No. 5284, 1853. *H. helix* (auct. non Linn.) Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 515, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 739, 1879.

Scandent shrubs with tuberous rootstock, climbing by means of aerial roots ; leaves exstipulate, petiolate ; inflorescences short, terminal or axillary.

Chaisilakha, flowering Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 315 (CAL) ; Yosipong, 2136-2440 m, flowering Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 452 (CAL) ; Tashigong to Yangtsi, 1900 m, climbing on Mossy clad *Quercus* sp. fruiting March, 1963, *Balakrishnan* 41311 (ASSAM) ; Shemgang, 2000 m, fruiting April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1260 (CAL).

Heteropanax fragrans (Roxb.) Seem. Fl. Vit. 114, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 734, 1879.

Trees with pinnately decompound leaves and creamy yellow flowers.

Phuntsholing, flowering Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 85 ; Dorokha forest, 457 m, flowering Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10533.

Macropanax dispermus (Bl.) O. Ktze. Rev. Gen Pl. 1 : 271, 1891. *Macropanax oreophilus* Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 1(1) : 764, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 738, 1879.

Tall trees with denticulate-serrate leaflets ; inflorescence terminal, spreading, ferruginous-stellate-tomentose.

Phuntsholing, flowering Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 393.

M. undulatus (Wall. ex G. Don) Seem. Journ. Bot. 2 : 294, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 738, 1879.

Middle-sized spreading trees ; leaflets glabrous, entire ; inflorescences glabrous and erect.

Scarce, Shemgang, 1900 m, flowering Nov. 1964, *Deb* 431.

Panax pseudo-ginseng Wall. in Trans. Med. Phys. Soc. Calcutta 4: 117, 1829 ; Harms in Nat. Pflanzenfam. 3(8) : 60, 1894. *Aralia pseudo-ginseng*

Benth. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 721, 1879.

Herbs ; leaves 5-foliate ; fruits red ; rhizome fusiform, fascicled.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, flowering Nov. 1964, *Deb* 48.

Panax sikkimensis Ban. in Bull. bot. Surv. India 10 : 21, 1968.

Small herb ; stem dark brown ; leaves whorled, digitate, 5-7-foliolate, leaflets oblong-lanceolate ; inflorescence terminal ; flowers 3-4 mm long ; fruit a berry. Rare.

Gomchu, 2226 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43445.

Pentapanax leschenaultii (DC.) Seem. in Journ. Bot. 2 : 296, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 724, 1879.

Tall shrubs to trees ; leaves pinnately compound, 3-5-foliate ; inflorescences terminal, corymbose.

Shemgang, 2500 m, flowering April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1251.

P. leschenaultii (DC.) Seem. var. **umbellatus** (Seem.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 725, 1879.

Erect shrubs to small trees about 3 m tall ; stem unbranched with a crown of large compound leaves at the top ; inflorescence prickly.

Near Garrison Engineers' Camp, on hill slope, 1738, frequent flowering Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43583.

Pentapanax racemosus Seem. in Journ. Bot. 2 : 295, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 724, 1879.

Straggling climbers or shrubs with dirty brown stem and 3-7-foliate imparipinnate, membranaceous, leaves ; greenish yellow flowers, arranged on horizontal, lateral branches of the primary rachis.

Nyoth, Tashiyangsi tract, in crevices of rock boulders of the shady forests ; associated with *Rhus* sp.; flowering Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44213.

Schefflera bengalensis Gamble in Kew Bull. 1919 : 229, 1919. *Heptapleurum venulosum* Seem. in Journ. Bot. 3 : 80, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 729, 1879, excl. syn. p.p.

Straggling shrubs with 3-5 foliate leaves ; flowers in umbels, racemosely arranged on the compound panicles.

Changda chungli hill, 1525 m, flowering Dec. 1963, *Thorthathri* 10547 ; common, Tashigong, 1200 m, on the slope of a hill in crevices of rocky boulders and on rocky soil, flowering March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41205 ; Nangadzong, on the slope of the hill in rocky places, scarce, flowering March 1963, *Balakrishnan* 41853.

S. clarkeana Craib, Fl. Siam. Enum. 1 : 797, 1931. *Heptapleurum venulosum*

Seem. var. *macrophyllum* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 730, 1879.

Dhamdum, 1000 m, flowering Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 1163.

CORNACEAE

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Dendrobenthamia capitata (Wall. ex Roxb.) Hutchinson in Ann. Bot. 4 : 92, 1942. *Cornus capitata* Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 434, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 745, 1879.

A small tree, younger parts densely covered with minute hairs ; leaves lanceolate, up to 9 cm long ; flowers connate, in dense terminal heads, subtended by 4 large white bracts ; fruiting heads succulent, about 2.5 cm wide. Occasional.

Thimpu, 2500 m, *Maheshwari* 5250 ; Kanglung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43467.

Helwingia himalaica Hook.f. et Thoms. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 726, 1879.

Shrubs ; leaves lanceolate, bristle-serrate, up to 8 cm long ; flowers very small, unisexual, in separate umbels on leaf surface or phyllodes ; fruit drupaceous, 6-8 mm long, red when ripe.

Chima Kothi, 2500 m, *Maheshwari* 5316.

Toricella tiliaefolia DC. Prodr. 4 : 257, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 748, 1879.

A small deciduous tree with stout branches ; leaves broadly ovate cordate, 10-15 cm wide, petiole up to 10 cm long, sheathing at base ; flowers unisexual, small, white, in pendulous panicles, male peduncles dense flowered, about 30 cm long, females lax, shorter ; fruit small, purple, obliquely ovoid, 1-seeded. Rare.

Nangadzong, March, 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41838B.

ALANGIACEAE

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Alangium chinense (Lour.) Harms in Ber. Deuts. Bot. Ges. 15 : 24, 1897

Marlea begoniaefolia Roxb. Corom. Pl. t. 283, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 743, 1879.

Small tree with horizontal branches ; leaves wide-oblong, angular, base unequal ; flowers elongate, dull-white, in few-flowered, axillary, dichotomous cymes ; berry 5-6 mm long, black, obscurely ribbed. Rare.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1397.

NYSSACEAE

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Nyssa javanica Weng. in Engl. Pflanzentl. Nyssac. 15, 1910. *N. sessiliflora* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 747, 1879.

A large tree ; leaves oblong, acuminate, up to 15 cm long, punctate on both surfaces ; flowers unisexual, small, aggregated in an axillary capitate inflorescence ; berries ovoid, 7-8 mm long tapering near apex, red when ripe.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 212.

CAPRIFOLIACEAE

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Leycesteria formosa Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 181, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 16, 1880.

Shrubs with stout fistular stem and branches ; leaves distichous, ovate, membranous, white below, up to 14 cm long ; spikes terminal, bracts foliaceous, purplish ; flowers 2.5 cm across, pink ; berry red.

On road to Gomch^h, 9 km from Wamrung, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43380 ; Honshu 3000 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

L. glaucocephala Hook. f. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 16, 1880 p.p.

An undershrub of temperate forests.

Putlibhir, Sept. 1965 ; *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Lonicera asperifolia (Dene.) Hk. f. & T. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 166, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 11, 1880.

Erect shrub ; leaves ovato-oblong, 2.5-4 cm long, shining above ; flowers tubular, paired on axillary peduncles, 1.5 cm long ; drupe oblong, 8 mm long. Rare.

Thimpu, 2700 m, *Maheshwari* 5230.

L. macrantha DC. Prodr. 4 : 333, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 10, 1880.

Scandent shrub. Scarce.

One km north of Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43347.

Viburnum colebrookianum Wall. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 5, 1880.

Small tree. Common in subtropical forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1421.

V. coriaceum Bl. Bijdr. 656, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 5, 1880.

A small tree of the temperate regions.

Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43563.

V. corylifolium Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 174, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 3, 1880.

A rare shrub.

Gomchu hills opposite to workshop, 2500 m, Sept., 1965, A. S. Rao 43412.

V. cotinifolium Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 141, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 3, 1880.

A tall spreading shrub, frequently found in temperate forests.

Thimpu, 2500 m, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5217.

V. foetidum Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 49, t. 61, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 4, 1880.

An occasional shrub of temperate forests.

Lumichawa 3000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

V. erubescens Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 4 : 329, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 7, 1880.

An arboreus shrub. Common in temperate forests.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1240 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5292.

V. mullaha Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 141, 1825. *V. stellulatum*

Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 4 : 327, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 4, 1880.

A large shrub. Occasional in temperate forests.

Lumichawa, 2800 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Viburnum sambucinum Reinw. ex Bl. Bijdr. 656, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 5, 1880. A large spreading shrub. Rare.
One km north of Wamrung, 2500 m. Sept. 1964, A. S. Rao 43345.

RUBIACEAE

Anthocephalus cadamba Miq. Fl. Ind. Bat. 2 : 135, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 23, 1880.

A common tree of the tropical evergreen forests.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 68.

Borreria articulata (Linn.) K. Schum. in Pfam. 4 : 144, 1891. *Spermacoce hispida* Linn. Sp. Pl. I : 102, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 200, 1881.
Prostrate herb. Scattered on roadside.
Phuntsholing, 100 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 136 ; Samchi 300 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10323 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m. Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 863.

B. ocymoides DC. Prodri. 4 : 544, 1830. *Spermacoce ocymoides* Burm. f. Fl. Ind. 34, 1768 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 200, 1801.
A trailing herb of the grasslands.
Samchi, 200 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10454.

B. stricta (Linn.f.) K. Schum. in Pfam. 4 : 143, 1881. *Spermacoce stricta* Linn. f. Suppl. Sp. Pl. 120, 1781 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 200, 1881.
Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43504 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 400.

Carlemannia griffithii Benth. in Kew Journ. 5 : 308, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 85, 1880.
An undershrub ; leaves obliquely elliptic, up to 12 cm long, membranous ; flowers small, yellow, in terminal cymes or corymba ; capsule 4-lobed, 4 mm long with many seeds. Rare, growing on hill-slopes.

Sureylakha, 1400 m. Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 932 ; Dorokha, 1000 m Jan. 1964, Thothathri 10578 ; on road to Narfong, 5 km north of Deothong, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43171.

Chasalia curviflora Thw. Enum. 150, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 176, 1880.
A shrub. Scarce in the area.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1400.

Coffea bengalensis Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 540, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 153, 1880.
Local name : Kangsengmo.
Scattered in forest clearings and in outskirts.
Phuntsholing, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n. ; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 6 ; Samchi in the plains, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10356.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 814 ; on way from Tama to Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1188 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 120.

Coffea khasiana Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 154, 1880.

A shrub. Rare in the area.

North slope of the hill beyond the Chenari village near Deothong, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43149.

Galium aparine Linn. Sp. Pl. 108, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 205, 1881.

Small succulent herb. Scattered on open ground.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1253 ; Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 674.

G. asperifolium Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 381, 1820. *G. mollugo* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 207, 1881, non Linn.

Prostrate herb. Common on road side near thickets.

Krishnagiri saddle on road to Wanlung from Narfong, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43313 and 43314 ; Shemgang 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1235 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 68.

G. elegans Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 382, 1820. *G. rotundifolium* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 204, 1881, non Linn.

A herb on road side. Rare.

Narfong, 2 km north along stream bank, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43247 ; 3 km north of Narfong along road, 1950 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43247 ; Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 357 ; Lumichawa 2800 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

G. pauciflorum Bunge Enum. Pl. Chin. 35. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 205, 1881.

Slender herb in open jungle. Scarce.

Honshu, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Hedyotis corymbosa (Linn.) Lam. Encycl. Meth. 1 : 272, 1791. *Oldenlandia corymbosa* Linn. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 64, 1880.

A small weed on exposed ground.

Phunsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 381.

H. diffusa Willd. Sp. Pl. 1 : 566, 1797. *Oldenlandia diffusa* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 423, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 65, 1880.

A diffuse annual on open ground. Rare.

Punakha, 1500 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

H. pinifolia Wall. ex G. Don Syst. 3 : 525, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 60, 1880.

A slender much branched herb of the open jungles.

On road to Rongthong, 5 km north of Gomchu, 2500 m, Sept. 1965,
A. S. Rao 43424.

Hymenopogon parasiticus Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 157, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 34, 1880.

An epiphytic shrub, frequent in the area.
Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44286.

Hyptianthera stricta Wt. & Arn. Prodr. 399, 1834. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 121.
1880.

A tall shrub in forest-borders.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1366; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 159 ; Birti, 600-900 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1337 & 1339 ; Samchi, 800 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10594.

Knoxia sumatrensis (Retz.) DC. Prodr. 4 : 569, 1830. *K. corymbosa* Willd. Sp. Pl. 1 : 532, 1797 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 128, 1880.

A herb of the grassland; and along forest tracts.
Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 312.

Leptodermis griffithii Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 198, 1881.

A bushy plant of open jungles.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5819 ; *Ibid.*, *Sen Gupta* 781.

L. lanceolata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 191, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 198, 1881.

A shrub growing scattered as an undergrowth in forests.
On way to Tama from Rani Camp, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 247.

Morinda angustifolia Roxb. Pl. Corom. 3 : 32, 1815 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 156, 1880.

A tall branched shrub growing as an undergrowth in forests.
Decoction of leaves rubbed on forehead or taken orally to cure giddiness.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 355 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1393 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 1874.

Mussaenda frondosa Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 177, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 89, 1880.

A shrub in forest exposures. Fairly common.
Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 58.

M. glabra Vahl Symb. 3 : 38, 1790 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 90, 1880.

Tall shrub on edges of forests. Scarce.
Birti, 750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1297.

Mussaenda macrophylla Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 228, 1824 ; Fl. Brit.

Ind. 3 : 89, 1880.

A rare shrub in dense forest.

Kamji, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 209.

M. roxburghii Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 87, 1880.

Tall branched shrub, forming groves in dense forests. Quite common.

Phuntsholing, 120 m, May 1964, *Mahehwari* 5354 ; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 91 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963. *Sen Gupta* 339 & 379 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1387.

Mycetia longifolia (Wall.) O. Ktz. Rev. Gen. 1 : 289, 1891. *Adenosacme longifolia* Wall. ex Kurz, For. Fl. 2 : 160, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 95, 1880.

Epiphytic herb. Scarce.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 963 ; Kamji 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 266.

Myrioneuron nutans Wall. ex Kurz, For. Fl. 2 : 55, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 96, 1880.

Local name : Gujguj lahara.

An undershrub in outskirts of forests and on road side. Frequent at lower altitudes.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 860 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 176.

Neanotis calycina (Wall. ex Hook.f.) W. H. Lewis in Ann. Miss. Bot. Gard. 53 : 37, 1960. *Anotis calycina* Wall. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 73, 1880.

A small herb. Frequent along forest path.

Garrison Engineers' Camp, 1900 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43586.

N. ingrata (Wall. ex Hook. f.) W. H. Lewis in Ann. Miss. Bot. Gard. 53:39, 1960. *Anotis ingrata* Wall. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 71, 1880.

A straggling herb of moist places.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

N. wightiana (Wall. ex Hook.f.) W. H. Lewis in Ann. Miss. Bot. Gard. 53 : 40, 1960. *Anotis wightiana* Wall. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 75, 1880.

Common herb in exposed pastures.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 200.

Ophiorrhiza calcarata Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 84, 1880.

Slender herb with flexuous stem.

Chenari village near Deothong, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43141.

Ophiorrhiza succirubra King ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 82, 1880.

An undershrub in damp situation in the forest.

On road to Gomchu, 6 km from Wamrung, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43370.

O. ochroleuca Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 78, 1880.

Occasional shrub on the road side.

Kamji, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 351.

Paederia foetida Linn. Mant. Pl. 1 : 52, 1767 ; Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 195, 1881.

Local name : Biri.

A common climber in the outskirts of forests.

Fruits are used to blacken the teeth and are believed to make them strong. Leaves have carminative properties.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 803 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 311 ; Phuntsholing, 100 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 10 ; Samchi, 100 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10305.

P. scandens (Lour.) Merr. in Contr. Arn. Arb. 8 : 163, 1904. **P. tomentosa**

Bl. Bijdr. 968, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 197, 1881.

A scandent shrub.

Samchi hill, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10629.

Pavetta indica Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 110, 1753 ; Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 150, 1880.

Erect shrub in the fringe of forests. Scattered.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1351 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

Psychotria calocarpa Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. 41 : 315, 1872 ; Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 173, 1880.

Local name : Damey gach.

A shrub, scattered in forest clearings.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 897 ; Betni bridge, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1052 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 270.

P. denticulata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 166, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 173, 1880.

Local name : Bon gokul.

Undershrub, scattered in the forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 872; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1402.

Psychotria erratica Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 168, 1880.

A common shrub growing as an undergrowth in the forest.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 216; Kamji 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 271.

P. fulva Buch.-Ham. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 169, 1880.

An undershrub. Fairly common as an undergrowth in forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 162.

Randia fasciculata DC. Prodr. 4 : 386, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 109, 1880.

Local name : Chootamaidalu.

Tall prickly shrub. Common in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 320; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1384; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10303.

Rubia cordifolia Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 202, 1881.

Local name : Majito.

Trailing and climbing herb in shrubberies. Scattered and fairly common. Yields a red dye.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 929; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 2; Dochu La, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.; Chima Koithi, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.; Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri*, 10477; Krishnagiri saddle on road from Narfong to Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43315; a long road north of Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43298; Narfong, 1850 m, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43889.

f. strigosa Deb et Malick in Journ. Bomb. nat. Hist. Soc. 63 : 782, 1967.

Rare than the typical form.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5929.

R. sikkimensis Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. 43 : 188, 1874 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 203, 1881.

A climber on the outskirts of forests.

Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* s.n.; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 348; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 226.

Spermacidion suaveolens Roxb. Pl. Corom. 3 : 32. t. 236, 1815. *Hamiltonia suaveolens* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 223, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 197, 1880.

An erect herb on slopes in forests.

Dakpai, 1650 m, 1964, *Deb* 446; hill near Samchi, 500 m, 1963, *Thothathri* s.n.

Spiradiclis cylindrica Wall. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 76, 1880.

Small herb on rocky hill slopes.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m. Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1106.

Uncaria sessilifructus Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 520, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 30, 1880.

A common climber in evergreen forests at lower elevations.

Gaylegphug, 270 m. April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1401; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 132.

Wendlandia pendula DC. Prodr. 4 : 412, 1880 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 41, 1880.

A common shrub near streams.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 60 ; Samchi, 900 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10584.

W. speciosa Cowan in Notes R. Bot. Gard. Edin. 16 : 274, 1912.

A rare shrub.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 260.

VALERIANACEAE

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Valeriana hardwickii Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1. 166, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 213, 1881.

A common herb in partial shade.

Narfong, 2 km north along stream bank down the hill, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43248 ; Chai la Pass, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 612.

V. jatamansi Jones in Asiat. Res. 2 : 416, 1790. *V. wallichii* DC. Prodr.

4 : 640, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 213, 1880.

An occasional shrub on fringe of forest.

Thimpu, 2500 m, May 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

DIPSACEAE

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Dipsacus asper Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 4: 646, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 218, 1881.

A tall herb on meadows. Frequent.

On road to Gomchu, 21 km from Wamrung, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao*, 43390 ; road to Tashigong, 14 km from Gomchu, Oct. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 43951 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5839 ; Dochu La, 2800 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Triplostegia glandulifera Wall. ex Benth. in DC. Prodr. 4 : 642, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 215, 1881.

Small slender herb on open ground, scattered.

On road to Gomchu, 9 km from Wamrung, 2700 m. Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43377 ; on road to Rongthong near Giampa, 5 km north of Gomchu, 2500 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43419 ; Dochu La, 3000 m. Sept. 1965. *Sen Gupta* s.n.

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Adenostemma lavenia (Linn.) O. Kitz. var. *elata* (D. Don) Kitamura in Hara

Fl. East. Him. 329, 1966. *A. viscosum* Forst. var. *typica* et var. *clata* (D. Don) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 242, 1881.

A common roadside herb.

Barase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1021 ; Gaylegphug, 207 m. Nov. 1964, *Deb* 124 ; Narfong, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43260.

Ageratum conyzoides Linn. Sp. Pl. 839, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 243, 1881.

A tender herb fairly common on road side, hedges and abandoned fields.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 976 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m. Nov. 1964, *Deb* 62 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. : *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 7 ; Samchi. Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10615.

Ainsliaea latifolia (D. Don) Schulz-Bip. in Pollichia 18-19 : 169, 1861.

A. pteropoda DC. Prodr. 7 : 14, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 388, 1881.

A small herb scattered in forest clearings.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1097 ; Tama, 1800 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1176 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 231.

Anaphalis busua (Buch.-Ham.) Hand.-Mazz. Symb. Sin. 7 : 1104, 1936.

A. araneosa DC. Prodr. 6 : 109, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 283, 1881.

Small suffrutescent herb scattered along road side.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 79 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Kamji, 1000 m, Jan. 1964. *Subba Rao* 257 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965. *Balakrishnan* 43890.

A. contorta (D. Don) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 284, 1881.

Small herb common on road side or in open places.

On road from Narfong to Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43319 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5816 ; Sangura, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10469 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Anaphalis margaritacea (L.) Benth. & Hook.f. Gen. Pl. 2 : 303, 1873. *A. cinnamomea* Clarke Comp. Ind. 104, 1876; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 281, 1881.
Small erect herb along road cuttings and rock crevices.
Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 373 & 385 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963,
Mukerjee 5958 ; Dochu I.a, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Artemisia nilagirica (Clarke) Pamp. in Nov. Giorn. Bot. Ital. 33 : 452, 1926.
A. vulgaris auct. non Linn. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 325, 1881.
Local name : Titey pati.
A tall aromatic herb, common in open places, often gregarious.
Decoction of dried leaves taken in stomach disorders.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 834 ; Batase, 1575 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1011 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 5 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43934 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5831 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10316 ; Kamji, 100 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 187 ; Tashigong hill, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41234.

A. vestita Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 6 : 106, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 326, 1881.
Tall hoary herb of open situation. Rare.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5934.

Aster tricephalus Clarke Comp. Ind. 43, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 250, 1881.
A common herb of the meadows.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5949D.

A. trinervius Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 433, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 253, 1881.
Common road side herb.
Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5949C.

Bidens biternata (Lour.) Merr. & Sherffl. in Bot. Gaz. 88 : 293, 1929. *B. pilosa* auct. non Linn. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 309, 1881.
A common herb of open ground.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 844 ; Batase 1575 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1007 & 1023 ; Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1134 ; Birti 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1315 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 6 ; Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41176 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10309 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 24.

B. tripartita Linn. Sp. Pl. 831, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 309, 1881.
A stout annual of the open jungle.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5883.

Blumea aromatica Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 5 : 88, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 270, 1881.

A very aromatic shrubby herb inside forest. Rare.

B. chinensis (Linn.) DC. Prodr. 5 : 444, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 268, 1881.

Scandent shrub scattered in forest clearings.

Tama, 1125 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1157.

B. balsamifera (Linn.) DC. Prodr. 5 : 466, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 270, 1881.

Local name : Putheli.

Arborescent shrub smelling of camphor. Widespread in forest clearings, forming small societies.

Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1152 ; Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 239.

B. lacera (Burm.f.) DC. in Wight Contrib. 14, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 263, 1881.

Herbs with densely leafy branches, smelling of turpentine. Wide, spread in the foot hills.

Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

B. laciniata (Roxb.) DC. Prodr. 5 : 436, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 264, 1881.

Erect herb in rock crevices usually in damp situation.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1211 ; Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 359.

B. lanceolaria (Roxb.) Dunc Rep. Bot. Exch. Club. Brit. Isles. 4 : 609, 1907. *B. myriocephala* DC. Prodr. 5 : 445, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 269, 1881.

Suffruticose herb with stout branches ; scarce among forest under-growth.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 39 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10548.

Blumeopsis falcata (D. Don) Merrill in Journ. Arn. Arb. 19 : 70, 1938.

Laggera flava Benth. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 290, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 270, 1881.

A herb on roadside. Occasional.

5 km east of Mongerdzong, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44657.

Cacalia quinquelobus (DC.) Kitamura in Kihara Fl. Nep. Him. 249, 1955.
Senecio quinquelobus Hook.f. & Thoms. ex Clarke Comp. Ind. 209, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 353, 1881.
 Slender herb, frequent in open situation.
 Chai la Pass, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Carpesium nepalense Less. in Linnaea 6 : 234, 1832. *C. cernuum* var. *typica* Hook.f. et var. *glandulosa* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 301, 1881.
 An erect herb on the roadside.
 From Narfong to Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao #3331.

Cicerbita macrantha (Clarke) Beauv. in Bull. Soc. Bot. Genev. 2 : 130 et 132, 1910. *Lactuca macrantha* Clarke Comp. Ind. 267, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 409, 1881.
 Herb with a very stout stem. Scattered on open ground.
 Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5865.

C. cyania (D. Don) Beauv. in Bull. Soc. Bot. Genev. 2 : 132, 1910. *Lactuca hastata* DC. Prodr. 7 : 139, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 407, 1881.
 A robust herb in shrubberies. Occasional.
 Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5914.

Cirsium argyracanthum DC. Prodr. 6 : 640, 1838. *Cnicus argyracanthus* DC. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 362, 1881.
 Thistle like herb with cottony stem on open hill slopes. Frequent.
 Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5969 ; Kanglung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43468.

C. lipskyi Petrak in Fedde Repert. 9 : 197, 1911. *Cnicus griffithii* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 363, 1881.
 Tall shrub floccosely woolly. Frequent and gregarious in open places.
 Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 420.

Conyza japonica Less. Syn. Compos. 204, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 258, 1881.
 Small herb under canopy of trees in hills.
 Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1183 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5868 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, May 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

C. stricta Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 1922, 1803 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 258, 1881.
 Common undershrub of forest clearings.
 Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 320 ; on way to Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44037 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5917.

Crassocephalum crepidoides (Benth.) S. Moor. in Journ. Bot. 50: 211, 1912.

Tall herb with drooping heads on long peduncles. Frequent in thickets.
 Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 81; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Dichrocephala chrysanthemifolia DC. in Wight Contrib. II, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 245, 1881.

A rigid herb with stiff branches. Frequent on open ground.
 Paro 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5815.

D. integrifolia (Linn.f.) O. Ktze. Rev. Gen. Pl. I : 333, 1891. *D. latifolia* DC. in Wight Contrib. II, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 345, 1881.

Small herb common in grassy fields or in forest clearings.

Betui, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1037; Birni, 650 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1320; Gaylegphug 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1394; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964; *Maheshwari* s.n.; ChimaKothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Kamji, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 247; Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 670.

Eclipta prostrata (Linn.) Linn. Mant. Pl. 2 : 286, 1771. *E. alba* Hassk. Pl. Jav. Rar. 528, 1848; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 304, 1881.

Exect or sometimes diffuse herb. Occasional.

Birni, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1219; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10620; Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41270.

Elephantopus scaber Linn. Sp. Pl. 814, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 242, 1881.

Rigid dichotomously branched herb of open grassland, scattered.
 Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10375.

Emilia sonchifolia (Linn.) DC. in Wight Contrib. 24, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 336, 1881.

A herbaceous weed of open places.

Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10513.

Erigeron bellidoides Benth. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 280, 1873; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 256, 1881.

Slender herb on roadside. Rare.

From Wamrung to Gomchu, Sept. 1965. A. S. Rao 43376.

E. sumatrensis Retz. Obs. Bot. 5 : 28, 1787. *E. linifolius* auct. non Willd. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 254, 1881.

A stout herb with close-set leaves, scattered on open ground.

Birni, 600-750 m, April 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1219; Thimpu, 2500 m, May 1944, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Lumichawa, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Erigeron multiradiatus Benth. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 280, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 256, 1881.

Erect herb of open places. Scarce.

Dochu La, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Eupatorium cannabinum Linn. Sp. Pl. 838, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 243, 1881.

Common shrub on the fringes of forests and in open jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5915 & 5946 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

E. odoratum Linn. Syst. Nat. (ed. 10) 1205, 1759 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 244, 1881.

Tall shrub with tender branches, gregarious on open ground and roadside.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10308.

Galinsoga parviflora Cav. Icon. 3: 41, t. 281, 1794 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 311, 1881.

An erect tender herb growing as weed in waste places and cultivated fields.

Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41174 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5870 & 5873 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10489 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 447.

Gerbera maxima (D. Don) Beauv. in Bull. Soc. Bot. Geneve 2 : 44, 1910.

G. macrophylla Benth. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 497, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 391, 1881.

A scapigerous herb on the outskirts of forests. Scarce.
Dakpa, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 372.

G. piloselloides (Linn.) Cass. in Dict. Sc. Nat. 18 : 461, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 389, 1881.

Local name : Pangmento.

Small scapigerous herb. Occasional on meadow lands.

Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1197 ; Paro, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Gnaphalium affine D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 173, 1825 ; *G. luteo-album*

var. *multiceps* (Wall. ex DC.) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 288, 1881.

A small herb common by the road side.

Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1006.

Local name : Hooki phul.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1144 ; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1214 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1255.

Gnaphalium hypoleucum DC. in Wight Contrib. 21, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 288, 1881.

Herbs with cottony stem. Occasional on open ground.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5817.

G. luteo-album Linn. Sp. Pl. 851, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 288, 1881.

Herbs with cottony stem, common on road side and on forest-fringes.
Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n. ; Thimpu, 2500 m, May 1964.
Maheshwari s.n. ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, May 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; 7 km to Deothong from Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41926 ; above Deothong, 1100 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41121 ; Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43556.

G. purpureum Linn. Sp. Pl. 854, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 289, 1881.

An erect cottony herb on open ground. Rare.
Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41864.

Guizotia abyssinica Cass in Dist. Sc. Nat. 59 : 248, 182.

A stout erect herb, cultivated and found as an escape. Seed yield edible oil.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10318.

Gynura cusimbua (D. Deth) S. Moor. in Journ. Bot. 1 : 212, 1912. *G. angulosa* DC. Prodr. 6 : 298, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 334, 1881.

Local name : Dhungri phul.

A tall herb with large basal leaves. Wide spread on waste places.

Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1027 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 400 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5850 ; Samchi hill, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10337 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10337 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 398.

G. mitida DC. in Wight Contrib. 24, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 333, 1881.

Erect herb in forest clearings. Scarce.
Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 81.

Inula cappa DC. Prodr. 5 : 469, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 295. 1881.

Local name : Taimakhu.

Erect herb, common in the open as well as in shade.

Tama, 1200-1500 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1175 ; Tashigong hill, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 31224 ; way to Shalli from Kharia, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44072.

Lactuca dissecta D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 164, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 405, 1881.

A small herb. Rare in the area.

Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41175.

Lactuca hastata DC. Prodr. 7 : 139, 183 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 407, 1881.

Tall robust herb in open situation. Rare.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5924.

L. macrantha Clarke Comp. Ind. 270, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 409, 1881.

A stout herb. Rare on hill slope.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5865.

Laggera alata (D. Don) Schultz-Bip. ex Oliver in Trans. Linn. Soc. 39 : 94, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 271, 1881.

Erect shrub in forest clearings. Scarce.
Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 445.

L. pterodonta Benth. Gen. Pl. 2 : 290, 1873 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 271, 1881.

Slender much branched herb with winged stem. Occasional on road side.
Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1142.

Mikania cordata (Burm.f.) R. L. Robinson var. **indica** Kitamura in Hara Fl.

East. Him. 341, 1966. *M. scandens* auct. non Willd. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 244, 1881.

Climber with tender branches, common in lower altitudes.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 889 ; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10319 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 4.

Myriactis nepalensis Less. in Linnaea 6 : 128, t. 2. 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 247, 1881.

An erect herb, growing as weed in waste places.
Road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43946 ; from Narsong to Wamrung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43330 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5972.

M. wightii DC. in Wight Contrib. 10, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 247, 1881.

A rigid herb, scattered along foot-tracks.
Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1944, Deb 93.

Prenanthes hookeri Clarke ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 412, 1881.

Tall herb, cottony on undersurface of leaves. Common on the ridges.
Chai la Pass, 300 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n.

Senecio araneosus DC. Prodr. 6 : 364, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 351, 1881.

A much branched twiner common in roadside thickets and forest fringes.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 384 ; road to Tashigong Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43323 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 215.

Senecio lamprocarpa Hemsl. ex Forb. & Hemsl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 23 : 465, 1888.

An erect herb of the roadside jungle.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 413.

S. bhot Clarke Comp. Ind. 187, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 355, 1881.

A rare shrub in the open.

On way to Tama from Rani Camp, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 266.

S. chrysanthemoides DC. var. *spectabilis* DC. Prodr. 6 : 365, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 339, 1881.

A rare shrub in open jungle.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5937.

S. densiflorus Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 6 : 369, 1838.

Stout shrub on fringe of forests. Frequent.

Road to Tashigong, Oct. 1963, *Thothathri* 43910 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10473 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 425.

S. himalaensis Mukerjee nom. nov. *S. quinquelobus* Hook.f. & Thoms. ex C.B.CI. Comp. Ind. 209, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 353, 1881. *Prenanthes quinqueloba* DC. Prodr. 7 : 195, 1838.

Slender herb. Frequent in open situation.

Chai la Pass, 3000 m, Atug, 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

A new name is here proposed for the existence of *S. quinquelobus* DC. Prodr. 6 : 404, 1838 which is an African species.

S. scandens D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 178, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 352, 1881.

A climbing shrub with zigzag branches. Common on road side shrubberies.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 425 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10472 ; Tashigong hill, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41244 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43901 ; above Deothong, 1100 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41122.

S. trilobatus Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 178, 1825; Fl. Brit.

Ind. 3 : 356, 1881.

A slender herb in damp shady place.

On way to Nyoth from Shali, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44134.

S. wallichii DC. Prodr. 6 : 364, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 353, 1881.

Bipa, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44365.

Siegesbeckia orientalis Linn. Sp. Pl. 100, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 304, 1881.

Tall herb with glutinous glands. Common on open slopes.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 970 ; Betni, 1050-1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1079 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 43 ; Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41177 ; Samchi hill, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10322 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 80.

Sonchus arvensis Linn. Sp. Pl. 793, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 414, 1881.

Tall herb with a creeping rootstock. Frequent on open ground.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; 5 km north of Deothong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41119 ; on the way to Tashigong from Kharsong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41807.

S. asper Hill. Herb. Brit. 1 : 47, 1769 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 414, 1881.

An annual herb of open ground. Rare.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5864.

S. oleraceus Linn. Sp. Pl. 174, 1753.

Annual herb. Frequent on open ground.

Tashigong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41177.

Sphaeranthus indicus Linn. Sp. Pl. 927, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 275, 1881.

Low annual herb with ascending villous branches on damp soil. Occasional.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 360 ; Samchi, *Thothathri* 10624.

Spilanthes acmella (Linn.) Murr. Syst. (ed. 13) 610, 1774 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 307, 1881.

An annual herb with ascending stem. Common on open ground. Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41276.

Synedrella nodiflora Gaertn. Fruct. et Sem. 2 : 456 t. 171, f.7. 1791 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 308, 1881.

A dichotomously branched herb. Common on open ground at lower elevations.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 15 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10363.

Tagetes erecta Linn. Sp. Pl. 887, 1753.

Local name : Bhaby shaey patri phul.

A common garden annual growing also as an escape.

Betni, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1059.

Taraxacum officinale Wigg. Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 401, 1881.

A stemless herb with a rosette of leaves, scattered on grasslands.
Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Tithonia rotundifolia (Mill.) Blake in Contr. Gray Herb. 52 : 41, 1917.
Tall herb cultivated.
Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10301.

Tridax procumbens Linn. Sp. Pl. 900, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 311, 1881.
Small trailing herb with thick leaves. Rare in open rocky soil.
Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41259.

Vernonia anthelminica (L.) Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 1634, 1804 ; Fl. Brit. Ind.
3 : 237, 1881.
A robust leafy annual. Rare in the area.
Kheri, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43517.

V. cinerea (Linn.) Less. in Linnaea 4 : 291, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 233, 1881.
A common annual on roadside and on waste places.
On road between Tashigong to Yangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41269 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1210.

V. saligna DC. Prodr. 5 : 38, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 233, 1881.
A much branched suffruticose herb. Fairly common.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 926 ; Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44023 ; Poan, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44603 ; Dorokha, 600 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10488.

V. talaumifolia Hook. f. & Thoms. ex Clarke Comp. Ind. 25, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 2 : 240, 1881.
A tall shrub, rare in the forest.
Moner-Tashigong Tract, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 4467.

V. volkameriaeefolia DC. Prodr. 5 : 132, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 240, 1881.
A small tree occasional on hill slopes.
On way from Sham Khaba to Batase, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1004 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 425 ; Sangura, 800 m, Dec. 1964, *Thothathri* 10582.

Wedelia biflora (Linn.) DC. in Wight Contrib. 18, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 306, 1881.
A slender herb, scattered along roads.
Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 228.

Xanthium strumarium Linn. Sp. Pl. 987, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 303, 1881.

Erect herb. Common on open ground.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5879.

Youngia japonica (Linn.) DC. Prodr. 7 : 194, 1834. *Crepis japonica* Benth.

Ft. Hongk. 194, 1861 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 395, 1881.

A common annual of the grassland.

Tama, 1150 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1163 ; *Ibid.*, 1450 m, Nov. 1944, *Deb* 299 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5929.

CAMpanulaceae

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Campanula colorata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 101, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 440, 1881.

Small herb, frequent on forest floor and on shaded hill slopes.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 378 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5830 ; on road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43919 ; 3 km north of Narfong, 1900 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43272.

C. khasiana Hook. f. & Thoms. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 2 : 25, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 439, 1881.

A small herb occasionally met with on forest floor.

Road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43932 ; Wamrung hill, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43363.

C. sylvatica Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 97, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 439, 1881.

A rare herb in damp shady place.

Between Shali & Nyoth, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41319.

Campanula parviflora (Hook. f. & Thoms.) Benth. Gen. Pl. 2 : 558, 1858 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 436, 1881.

Erect herb about 1 m tall. Frequent in side shrubberies.

From Deothong to Narfong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43183 ; from Samdrup Jhonkar to Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43127.

Codonopsis griffithii Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 431, 1881.

A twiner on roadside shrubberies. Rare.

From Deothong to Narfong, 1700 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43217.

C. viridis Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 103, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 43 1881.

An occasional twiner in the forest clearings.

Sureylakha, 1800 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 997; Sham Khara, 1500 m. Nov. 1964, *Deb* 18.

Leptocodon gracilis (Hook. f. & Thoms.) Lemaire in Ill. Hort. 3: Misc. 49.

1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 430, 1881.

A twining herb of higher altitudes. Occasional.

Gomchu hill, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43393.

Lightfootia hirsuta (Edgew.) Wimm. ex Hepper in Kew Bull. 15 : 61, 1961.

Cephalostigma hirsutum Edgew. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 20 : 81, 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 429, 1881.

Small erect herb in open forest. Rare.

Gumkhar to Shali, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44076.

LÖBELIACEAE

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Lobelia angulata Forst. Fl. Ind. Austr. Prodr. 58. n. 309, 1786 ; *Pratia begonifolia* (Wall.) Lindl. Bot. Reg. t. 1373, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 422, 1881.

Sureylakha, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 931 ; *Ibid.*, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 999 ; Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1344 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 46 ; Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43451 ; Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41854 ; Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44238.

L. colorata Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 42, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 426, 1881.

Erect herb in open jungle, scattered.

Road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43884 ; Bepa, Dongla-Luntsi Tract, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44339.

L. pyramidalis Wall. in Asiat. Res. 13 : 376, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 426, 1881.

Tall erect undershrub. Common in moist shady places.

Betni kholo, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1036 ; Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1086 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1250 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 361 ; Dorokha, 2000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thorathiri* 10539 ; Kamji 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 246 ; Krishnagiri saddle, on road from Narfong to Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43306 ; Deothong, 1000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41113 ; Wamrung, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41912 ; Tama, 1050 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1154.

Lobelia rosea Wall. Pl. As. Kar. 2: 42, t. 152, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 427, 1881.

Large shrub, erect or suberect, on road side. Scarce.

Near Deothong, 1000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41116.

L. zeylanica Linn. Sp. Pl. 932, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 425, 1881. *L. affinis*

Wall. ex C. B. Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 424, 1881.

Much branched prostrate herb of shady place. Rare.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10368.

L. montana Reinw. ex Bl. Bijdr. 728, 1826. *Pratia montana* Hassk. in Flora 25: 23, 1842; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 423, 1881.

A rambling herb on hill slopes. Frequent.

From Deothong to Narfong, 1700 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43213 ; north of Deothong, 1000 m, March 1965, *A. S. Rao* 41120.

VACCINIACEAE

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Agapetes auriculata Hook.f. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 571, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 444, 1881.

Epiphytic shrub of the rain forests at lower altitudes.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 170; from Samdrup to Jharkar, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41939 ; Mongerdzong, Nov., 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44649 ; between Sangura and Dorokha, 1500 m, *Thothathri* 10464 ; Sureylakha 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 952.

A. bhutanica Balak. et Chowdhury in Reinwardtia 763 : 287, 1966.

Deothong, 500 m, Mar. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41943.

A. saligna (Hook. f.) Hook. f. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 571, 1876; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 444, 1881.

Local name : Chhotey qujur ganta.

Epiphytic shrub with pendent branches. Scarce.

Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1065.

A. serpens (Wt.) Sleumer in Engl. Bot. Jarblc. 70 : 105, 1939. *Pentaptergium serpens* (Wt.) Klotz in Linnaea 24 : 47, 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 449, 1882.

Common epiphytic shrub with tuberous base.

Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41140 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 962 ; Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1177.

Agapetes smithiana Sleumer var. *major* Airy Shaw in Kew Bull. 1958 : 489, 1959.

A rare epiphytic shrub.

Near Wamrung, 2500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41150.

A. variegata (Roxb.) D. Don ex G. Don var. *elegans* Airy Shaw in Kew Bull. 1948 : 89, 1948.

A rare epiphyte.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 347.

Vaccinium dunalianum Wight in Cal. Journ. Nat. Hist. 8 : 175, 1847 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 453, 1882.

A large shrub with leafy branches. Occasional in forest fringes.

Between Peme and Luntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44473.

V. nummularia Hook. f. et Thoms. ex C. B. Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 451, 1882.

A small epiphytic shrub. Common.

Dongala, between 3600-3700 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44442.

V. vaccinifolium (Roxb.) Sleum. in Engl. Bot. Jahrb. 71 : 479, 1941.

V. serratum (G. Don) Wt. Icon. 4 : t. 1184, 1848 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 452, 1882.

Bulbous rooted epiphytic shrub. Frequent.

Tashiyangtsi to Töbrang, 1600 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41396.

ERICACEAE

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Enpinanthus deflexus (Griff.) Schn. Ill. Handle. Laubh. 2 : 521, 1911. *E. himalaicus* Hook. f. & Thoms. in Hook. Journ. Bot. 1 : 125, t. 3, 1855;

Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 461, 1882.

A small tree. Common at higher elevations.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Gaultheria fragrantissima Wall. in Asiat. Res. 13. 397, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 457, 1882.

Small tree. Common on roadside and in open forests in temperate region.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1246 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5931 ; Honshu, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; Wamrung to Gomchu, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, A.S. Rao 43381 ; on road to Rongthong from Gomechu, 2650 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43565 ; from Tashigong to Yangtsi, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41322.

Gaultheria griffithiana Wt. in Cal. Journ. Nat. Hist. 8 : 176, 1847 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 458, 1882.

A shrub on rocky soil at higher elevations. Scarce.

Dongala-Lhuntsi Tract, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44466.

G. nummularioides D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 150, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 457, 1882.

A shrub with prostrate branches on rocks. Common at higher elevations.

Between Nyoth to Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44262 ; Tashiyangtsi forest, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41577 ; Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Leucothoe griffithiana Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 460, 1882.

A shrub with pendent branches. Occasional in the forest.

Bepa, on way to Lisipang, Dongla-Lhuntsi Tract, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44369.

Lyonia ovalifolia (Wall.) Drude in Engl. Pflanzenf. 4 : 1 : 44, 1889. *Pieris ovalifolia* (Wall.) D. Don in Edinb. New Philo. Journ. 17 : 159, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 236, 1882.

var. *ovalifolia*

Small tree common in warm temperate region ; usually associated with *Rhododendron arboreum* and *Schima wallichii*.

Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb. 277 ; Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44220 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 438 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Chima Kothi 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

var. *lanceolata* Deb, Sen Gupta et Malick in Bull. bot. Soc. Beng. 22 : 192, 1968. *Andreaea lanceolata* Wall. in As. Res. 13 : 390, 1820. *Pieris ovalifolia* (Will.) D. Don var. *lanceolata* (Wall.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 461, 1882.

Local name Bumseng.

A small tree. Occasional.

Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1179.

Pieris formosa (Wall.) D. Don in Edinb. New Philo. Journ. 17 : 159, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 461, 1882.

A small evergreen tree. Frequent on hill slopes.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5931.

Rhododendron arboreum Sm. Exot. Bot. 1 : 9. t. 6, 1805 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 465, 1882.

Small or medium sized tree, common at warm temperate forests and forming consociation.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1241 ; Rani Camp to Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 263 ; Longchaphaka, Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Gomchu 2400 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 4344 ; near Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41138.

Rhododendron dalhousiae Hook.f. Rhod. Sikkim Himal. t. 1 & 2. 1849 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 469, 1882.

Small tree. Fairly common.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 379 ; Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

R. fulgens Hook.f. Rhod. Sikkim Himal. t. 25. 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 466, 1882.

A rare shrub of cooler temperate regions.

Dongala-Lhuntsi Tract, 3200 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44436.

R. grande Wt. in Cal. Journ. Nat. Hist. 8 : 176, 1847 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 464, 1882.

A small tree fairly common in temperate forests.

JusLong to Wamrung, 2200 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43323 ; near Narfong, 2300 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41141 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43898.

R. hodgsonii Hook.f. Rhod. Sikkim Himal. t 15, 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 464, 1881.

An arboreus shrub in coniferous forests and open places in cool temperate region.

On way to Dongala from Lisipang ± 3100 m. Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44424.

R. kendrickii Nutl. in Mag. Nat. Hist. 2 : 12 : 10, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 466, 1881.

A large shrub. Frequent in the forests.

Near Tobraung, 3000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41473.

R. lepidotum Wall. ex G. Don, Gen. Hist. 3 : 845, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 471, 1881.

A small shrub, abundant and widespread in the open subalpine and cool temperate regions.

Dongala, 3200 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44437.

Rhododendron virgatum Hook.f. Rhod. Sikkim Himal. t. 26, 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 474, 1881.

A shrub. Frequent in the forest of temperate region.
Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

PYROLACEAE

A. S. RAO

Pyrola rotundifolia Linn. var. *asarifolia* (Mich) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 475, 1881.

A rare herb in open jungle.
Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43447.

PLUMAGINACEAE

C. SEN GUPTA

Ceratostigma griffithii C.B.Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 481, 1881.

Small much branched shrub. Common in open places.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5820 ; near confluence on Thimpu road, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1650.

PRIMULACEAE

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Primula denticulata Sm. Exot. Bot. 2 : 109, t. 114, 1805 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 485, 1881.

Scapigerous herb with a rosette of leaves. Common on forest floor.
Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Longchaphaka, Thimpu, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Chima Kothi 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; near Tashiyar gtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* s.n.

P. filipes Watt ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 485, 1881.

Small herb with a woody rootstock and flesh coloured flower. Rare on rocks.

Tashigong to Yangtsi-Nyoth, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41351.

Lysimachia evalvis Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 27, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 504, 1881.

Small herb with flexuous ascending stem ; flowers yellow. Scattered along forest path.

Narfong, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43258.

Lysimachia ramosa Wall. ex Duby in DC. Prodr. 8 : 65, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 503, 1882.
 Herb with long slender erecto-patent branches. Rare near ditches.
 North of Narfong, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43243.

MYRSINACEAE

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Ardisia floribunda Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 272, 1824. *A. nerifolia* Wall. ex A. DC. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 17: 118, 1837; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3: 522, 1882.
 A large shrub along streams.
 Samchi, Dec. 1964, Thothathri 10447.

A. macrocarpa Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 277, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 524, 1882.
 A small shrub with bright red berries, growing as an undergrowth in subtropical forests.
 Shemgang to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1291 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 57 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10564 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n. ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1964, Subba Rao 182.

A. solanacea (Poir) Roxb. Corm. Pl. 1 : 27, 1795. *A. humilis* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 529, 1882, non Vahl
 An erect bushy shrub, scattered as undergrowth in forests.
 Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 895; Ibid., Nov. 1964, Deb 149.

Emelia floribunda Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 291, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 514, 1882.
Local name : Chiuri amla lahara.
 An occasional climber in the subtropical forests. The red berries are edible.
 Betni, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1032 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 370 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10563.

Maesa chisia Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 148, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 509, 1882.
 A tall shrub common as an undergrowth in subtropical and warm temperate forests.
 Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 950 ; Tama, 1050 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1135 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1268 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 183.

Maesa indica (Roxb.) DC. Trans. Linn. Soc. 17 : 134, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 509, 1882.

Local name : Bilauni, Kanchirna, Phiksangme.

Tall shrub, frequent in and outside the forests in subtropical regions. Small white berries are edible.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 880 & 882 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1373 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 154 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 28 ; Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1136 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maeshwari* s.n. ; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 97 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10372. *

var. **angustifolia** Hook.f. et Thoms. ex C.B.Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 509, 1882.

Leaves narrowly lanceolate. A rare shrub.

Phuntsholing, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1663.

var. **maxima** C.B.Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 509, 1882.

Local name : Bilauni.

Leaves orbicular. A rare shrub.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1370.

M. macrophylla (Wall.) DC. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 17 : 134, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 510, 1882.

A large shrub ; leaves elliptic or orbicular. Rare.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 96.

M. montana DC. Prod. 8 : 79, 1844. *M. indica* C.B.Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 509, 1882 p.p. non DC.

A tall shrub with slender branches. Rare in subtropical forests.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maeshwari* s.n.

M. rugosa C.B.Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 508, 1882.

A small tree of the warm temperate forests.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1239.

Myrsine semiserrata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 293, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 511, 1882.

A tall shrub with sub-spinescent leaves. Rare on roadside.

Near confluence on Thimpu-road ; 2000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Rapanea capitellata (Wall.) Mez. in Pflanzenr. 4 : 236 : 9 : 356, 1902. *Myrsine capitellata* Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 295, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 512, 1882.

Local name : Kalachamp.

A rare tree of the subtropical forests.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1099.

SAPOTACEAE

A. S. RAO

Aesandra butyracea (Roxb.) Backni in Boissiera 11 : 29, 1965. *Bassia butyracea* Roxb. in As. Research 8 : 499, 1808 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 546, 1882.

Medium sized tree of the tropical forests ; fruits edible. Vegetable fat is obtained from the seeds.

Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1303 ; Kheri, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43488.

EBENACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Diospyros lotus Linn. Sp. Pl. 1057, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 1 : 555, 1888.

Short sized tree. Frequent in warm temperate region. Fruits are eaten by hill people.

Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5896.

SYMPLOCACEAE

Simplocos chinensis (Lour.) Druce in Rep. Bot. Exch. Cl. Brit. Isl. 1916 : 65, 1917. *S. crataegoides* Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 145, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 573, 1882.

A short tree. Occasional in temperate regions.

Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

S. racemosus Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 539, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 577, 1882.

A small tree with glossy coriaceous leaves. Common in subtropical forests.

Kanji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 269 ; Sham Khara 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 34.

S. glomerata King ex C.B.CI. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 577, 1882.

A small tree with cream coloured flowers. Scattered in subtropical forests.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1242 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 94 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 376.

S. pyrifolia Wall. ex G. Don, Gen. Hist. 4 : 3, 1837 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 579, 1882.

A tall shrub. Rare in the area.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1243.

Simlocos theaefolia Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 145, 1825;
Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 575, 1882.

Local name : Kharney gach.

A middle sized tree. Common in the forests of warm temperate regions.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 411; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 224 & 460; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10560.

STYRACACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Styrax serrulatus Roxb. Fl. Ind. ed. 2, 2 : 415, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 588, 1882.

var. serrulatus

Small tree with white flowers. Scattered in subtropical forests.

On way to Birti from Shemgang, 1000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1290; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1375.

var. agrestis Clarke

A large tree. Rare.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 221.

OLEACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Jasminum amplexicaule Buch.-Ham. ex G. Don Gen. Hist. 4: 60, 1837.

J. undulatum Auct. non Willd., Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 592, 1882.

Scandent shrub; flowers white, slightly fragrant.

Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43132; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 908; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1371.

J. dispermum Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 99, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 602, 1882.

Scandent shrub; flowers white in many flowered terminal panicles and few flowered axillary cymes. Common.

Tashigong to Yangtsi, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41339; Tashiyangtsi forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44271; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10555; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 234.

J. caudatum Wall. ex Lindl. Bot. Reg. 1842. t. 26, 1842; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 601, 1882.

Scandent shrub ; leaves usually 3-foliate ; flowers large, white, corolla tube 3 cm long. Rare at foot hills.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10596 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 815.

Jasminum grandiflorum Linn. Sp. Pl. 9, 1762(ed. 2); Fl. Brit. Ind. 3:608, 1882.

Scandent or bushy ; leaflets rhomboid to oblong ; flowers white, fragrant.

Kheri, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43500 ; Punakha, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

J. anastomosans Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 8: 305, 1844; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3:596, 1882.

Scandent shrub ; leaves simple, elliptic to lanceolate, acuminate, imperfectly 3-nerved. Occasional on the fringe of the forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1377.

J. humile Linn. var. ***revolutum*** (Sims) Stokes, Bot. Comm. I : 18, 1830.

J. humile Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 602, 1882 pro parte.

A bushy shrub with yellow flowers. Scattered in open forest.

Honshu, 3000 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

J. laurifolium Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 91, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 597, 1882.

Scandent shrub with simple, elliptic, acuminate, 3-nerved leaves. Occasional.

Birti, 630 ~~750~~ m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1323.

Ligustrum confusum Decaisne in Nouv. Arch. Mus. Paris 2 : 24, 1879; Fl.

Brit. Ind. 3 : 616, 1882.

A small tree ; flowers white in terminal panicles. Scarce on the fringe of forest.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5920.

Osmanthus suavis King ex C. B. Cl. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 617, 1882.

A large bushy shrub ; flowers dull-white. Fragrant.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

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Catharanthus roseus (L.) G. Don Gen. Hist. 4 : 95, 1837. *Vinca rosea*

Linn. Syst. Nat. ed. 10. 944, 1759 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 640, 1882.

Leafy perennial herb with pink or white flowers, cultivated in gardens and also growing as escapes on roadside.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* s.n.

Ecdysanthera micrantha DC. Prodr. 8 : 442, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 662, 1882.

An extensive climber with slender pendulous branches. Occasional in the tropical forests.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 61.

Holarrhena antidysenterica Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 8 : 413, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 644, 1882.

Short tree, very common in association with *Shorea robusta* or with *Acacia catechu* on river side; also found in mixed forests up to an elevation of about 1000 m. Decoction of the bark cures dysentery.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 35 & 165 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10394.

Ichnocarpus frutescens R. Br. in Ait. Hort. Kew ed. 2, 2 : 69, 1811 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 669, 1882.

Scandent or climbing ; branches slender. Frequent on roadside jungles near the foot hills.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 375.

Plumeria acutiflora Poir. in Lamk Encycl. Suppl. 2 : 667, 1812 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 641, 1882.

A short sized tree with large leaves whorled at the tips of branches ; flowers large and fragrant. Cultivated in gardens.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 71.

Rauvolfia serpentina (L.) Benth. ex Kurz For. Fl. Brit. Burma 2 : 171, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 632, 1882.

Small shrub ; leaves 3-4 at each node. Occasional on the fringe of forest. Root yields reserpine, used as a remedy in high blood pressure.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 32 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

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Tabernaemontana divaricata (L.) R. Br. ex Roem. et Schult., Syst. Veg. 4 : 427, 1819. *T. coronaria* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 646, 1882.

A common shrub with white flowers on road side and on the fringe of forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 818 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1385 ; Chemari village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43137. Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10329; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 63; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Tachelospermum axillare Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 668, 1882.

A robust climber with purple flower. Occasional on the fringe of forest.

Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43407.

Vallaris solanacea K. Schum, in Engl. & Prantl. Naturl. Pflanz. 4 : 186, 1895. *V. heynei* Spreng. Syst. 1 : 635, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 650, 1882.

Local name : Duthe lahara.

An extensive climber, at times scandent ; flowers white. Occasional on the outskirts of forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 823; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao s.n.

Wrightia tomentosa (Roxb.) Roem. & Schultes Syst. Veg. 4 : 414, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 653, 1882.

Short deciduous tree ; flowers dull yellow with orange coloured corona. Frequent in the tropical forests.

Phuntsholing, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

ASCLEPIADACEAE

Cryptolepis sinensis (Lour.) Merr. in Philip. Journ. Sc. 15 : 254, 1919, *C. elegans* Wall. ex Don Gen. Hist. 4 : 82, 1837 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 6, 1883.

A slender climber with yellow flower. Rare in roadside shrubberies. Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 70.

Hoya lanceolata Wall. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 130, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 54, 1883.

Climber with stout stem and pendulous branches ; leaves fleshy elongate-trapezoid. Frequent in tropical forests.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 78; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10569.

H. polynera Hook.f. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 3 : 54, 1883.

An epiphyte with long flexuous branches ; leaves thick 7-10 cm long. Rare in the area.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 30.

Tylophora hirsuta (Wall.) Wight Contrib. 49, 1837; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 43, 1883.

A rare climber, tomentose all over.

Chunari, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43138.

Vincetoxicum officinale Moench. Meth. 717. *Cynanchum vincetoxicum* Pers.
 Small erect herb with yellow flowers.
 Paro, 2200 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5823 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n.

BUDDLEJACEAE

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Buddleja asiatica Lour. Cochinch. 72, 1790 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 82, 1883.
Local name : Bhairang pati ; Phabding.

Tall much branched shrub with white flowers. Common in roadside thickets and forest clearings. Roots used to prepare an intoxicating drink.
 Batase, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1009 ; Tama, 1150 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1140 ; between Deothong and Samdrup-Jhonkar, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41104 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n. ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 258 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10516.

B. paniculata Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 412, 1820.

A tall shrub ; flower heads in interrupted panicles ; corolla with pinkish tube and bluish lobes. Rare in the area on open hill slope.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

B. tibetica W. W. Smith in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. 4 : 270, 1911.

A rare shrub.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5851.

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Exacum teres Wall. [Cat. 4354 (1831)] ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 414, 1820 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 95, 1883.

Erect herl, hardly branched ; leaves sessile, lower petiolate ; cymes from the upper axiles forming a long panicle. Common on open slopes.

Chamarchi (Samchi), 350 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10355 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 40.

E. tetragonum Roxb. Hort. Beng. 10, 1814 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 95, 1883.

Herbaceous ; little branched below ; leaves sessile ; panicle large and compound or few-fid ; flowers blue.

North of Gomchu on road to Rongthong near Gumpa, 2500 m, A. S. Rao 43415 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 291.

Gentiana argentea Royle, Griseb. Gentian. 275, 1838 et in DC. Prodr. 9 : 107, 1848 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 112, 1883.

A small tufted annual herb ; simple, silvery-shining leaves and clusters of blue flowers ; fruit small, obovoid capsule.

Paro Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1327.

G. tibetica King ex Hook.f. Ic. Pl. t. 1441, 1883 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 733, 1885.

Stem very stout erect ; stem leaves lanceolate, connate at the base in a cylindric sheath, upper ones sessile whorled ; flowers crowded in the upper most axils, sessile.

Chi la pass, 4200 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1299.

G. crassuloides Bur. & Planch. in Bull. Soc. Philom. paris. Ser 8. 3 : 148, 1891.

Very small herb with many delicate branches ; flowers purple or dark blue. Growing among grass.

Paro Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1326 ; Chi-la (on the way to Paro), 3600-4100 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 722.

G. capitata Buch.-Ham. in D. Don Prodr. 126, 1825 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 113, 1883.

Stcl. simple, erect, often naked at the time of flowering except the leaves mixed in the flower head, sometimes leafy in the upper half.

Rampu, 625 m, Sept. 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

G. pedicellata (D. Don) Wall. ex Griseb. Gent. 273, 1838. *G. quadrifaria* Blume Sensu Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 111, 1883. *G. quadrifaria* var. *pilosula* C. B. Clarke I.c. 112, 1883. *G. squarrosa* Ledb. Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 111, 1883.

Stem usually many, erect or decumbent ; caudine leaves small, obovate, recurved ; radicle leaves lanceolate ; flowers sub-sessile.

Shengang, 2100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1238.

G. capitata Ham. var. *andersonii* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 113, 1883.

Stem naked below ; upper caudine leaves petioled, ovate or elliptic.

5 km north of Gomchu on road to Rongthong, 1870 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43423.

Halenia elliptica D. Don in Trans. Linn. Soc. 17 : 529, 1837 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 130, 1883.

Erect herb ; leaves elliptic ; cymes axillary and forming a terminal panicle.

Paro, 1870 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5949; Chima Kothi 2150 m, Aug. 1963, Balakrishnan 1171; road to Tashigong, 12 km from Wamrung, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43927; hills behind Officers' Mess, Wamrung, 1870 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43365.

Swertia bimaculata Hook. f. & Th. in Jour. Linn. Soc. 16 : 449, 1878; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 123, 1883.

Stem stout, 4 angular; flowers numerous, grayish white with violet dots above; seeds cuboid-globose, smooth, obscurely reticulated.

Sarbhang, 14-1700 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 994; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 14; Chaisilakha, Nov. 1965, Subba Rao 296; Changda Chungli hills, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10543; 2 km west of Narfong, Dautak Camp, ± 1500 m, A. S. Rao 43262; Shali, Tashiyangtsi tract, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44124.

S. nervosa Wall. [Cat. 4383 (1883)] ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 125, 1883.

Stem long, 4 lineolate or 4 winged; panicles many flowered; sepals greenish and petals white spotted. Common on the river bank.

Paro, 2250 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5829; Paro, 400 m, Aug. 1964, Sen Gupta 754; Thinleygaon, 30 m, Sept. 1964, P. K. Hajra 384.

S. paniculata Wall. [Cat. 4374 (1831)] ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 122, 1883.

Stem annual; leaves oblong or lanceolate, 1-3-nerved; panicles many flowered, whitish.

Paro, 2250 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5912.

S. cordata Wall. [Cat. 4378 (1831)] ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 123, 1883.

Stem long, 4 lineolate, leaves sessile ovate acute. Flower white, more or less large.

Thinleygaon, 300 m, Sept. 1964, V. Abraham 2306.

S. angustifolia Ham. in Don Prodr. Nepal. 127. 1825.

var. **angustifolia** Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 125, 1883.

Annual; stem long; leaves lanceolate, 3-nerved, base narrowed; panicle branches sharply quadrangular.

Tashiyangtsi, 8 km from Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44048.

var. **pulchella** Burkhill in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 2 : 375, 1906; *S. pulchella* Buch.-Ham. ex Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 125, 1883; *S. affinis* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 126, 1883; *S. vacillans* Maxim. in Bull. Acad. Peterb. 27, 1881.

Stem short; leaves lanceolate or linear lanceolate; branches of the inflorescence relatively short and very often horizontal.

Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43976; Nyoth forest, Tashiyangtsi tract, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44202.

var. *elegans* Burkhill in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 2 : 377, 1906 ; Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 125, 1883.

Plant dwarf, sepals exceeding the corolla or much shorter than it, corolla lobes subpatent in the young fruit.

Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, 1050 m, Oct. 1965, A. S. Rao 43499.

var. *wallichii* Burkhill in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 2 : 374, 1906. *S. angustifolia* Wall. Cat. 4373, 1828 in part et Pl. Asiat. Rar. 3 : 2, t. 204, 1832.

Stem long, branched ; leaves narrowly lanceolate ~~in~~ inflorescence lax ; sepals linear-lanceolate, exceeding the petals or equalling them.

Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 355A.

Swertia dilatata Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 122, 1883.

Stem long, branched ; leaves lanceolate, glabrous, base minutely ciliate ; flower large, greenish yellow.

Paro 2250 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5916.

BORAGINACEAE

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Cynoglossum glochidiatum Wall. ex Benth. in Royle, Ill. Him. Mount. 306, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 156, 1883.

An erect annual, more or less hirsute ; basal leaves oblong-lanceolate, upper caudine leaves smaller, lanceolate, subsessile, strigose, ciliate or denticulate ; flowers blue, in terminal or axillary racemes ; fruit of 4 ovate, glochidiate nutlets, nutlets depressed dorsally and with a definite elevated margins, formed by the confluent bases of marginal glochidia. Common in open places.

Paro, 22087 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5928 ; Garrison Engineer's Camp, 35 km north from Deothong to Narfong, 1517 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43223; Dorokha, 457, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10512 ; Birti, 700 m, Sarbhhang div., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1216 ; Sureyalha, 1350-1500 m, Sarbhhang div., Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 969.

C. lanceolatum Forsk. Fl. Aegypt. Arab. : 41, 1775 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 156, 1883.

An erect annual or biennial, hispid ; basal leaves broadly ovate, shortly petiolate, upper caudine leaves smaller, lanceolate, subsessile, hirsute, strongly nerved beneath ; flowers light blue to whitish, in terminal or

subterminal racemes, laxly paniculate ; nutlets 4, shortly ovate, glochidiate on all sides, hardly or not all margined, not depressed dorsally. Common in waste places.

Rani Camp to Tama, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 254 ; Birti, 100-700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1329 ; on way from Lumichawa to Punakha, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1985 ; near the confluence of Paro and Thimpu, 2400 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1199.

Cynoglossum zeylanicum Thunb. ex Lehm. in Neve Schrigt. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 157, 1883, *pro syn.*

Erect annual or biennial herb with soft appressed grey pubescence ; basal leaves oblong-lanceolate, base cuneate, upper caudine leaves smaller, variable, frequently subdecurrent, densely softly appressed strigose ; flowers blue, in terminal or subterminal racemes ; nutlets 4, ovoid, glochidiate on all sides, not depressed dorsally. Common in open places.

Shemgang, Sarbhang div., April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1264 ; Thimpu, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1628 ; Dochu La, 3100 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1680 ; Chima Kothi, 2150 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1175 ; Zhamlchow, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 59.

Tournefortia hookeri Clarke in Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 147, 1883.

A large, woody, subscandent nearly glabrous shrub ; leaves ovate or elliptic, glabrous, shortly acuminate, obtuse and unequal at base, prominently reticulated beneath ; flowers greenish white to cream, in terminal, diffuse, rusty pubescent, sub-2-seriate scorpioid spikes ; corolla 2-4 mm long, hardly exceeding the calyx, cylindrical, strigose ; fruit a sessile ovoid drupe, pyrenes two, 2-celled, 2-seeded.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1413.

T. viridiflora (Lehm.) Wall. in Fl. Ind. ed. Carey & Wall. 2 : 5, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 146, 1883.

A woody subscandent shrub ; leaves ovate-oblong to ovate lanceolate, sparsely strigose above, softly hairy beneath, acuminate, base obtuse-rounded ; flowers in unilateral, dense, scorpioid spikes, arranged in dichotomous, terminal cymes ; corolla striate, glabrous ; fruit a sessile ovoid drupe, pyrenes two, 1-2-seeded.

On the way to Sandrup Jhonkar to Deothong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41955 ; Deothong to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43859.

GUSCUTACEAE

K. C. MAJICK

Cuscuta reflexa Roxb. Pl. Corom. 2 : 3, t. 104, 1798 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 225, 1883.

A leafless twining parasite.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 351; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5894; Ibid., Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n.; Samchi, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10435.

CONVOLVULACEAE

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Argyreia capiata (Vahl) Arn. ex Chois. Conv. Or. 41, 1833. *Lettsonia*

strigosa Roxb., Fl. Ind. 2 : 80, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 193, 1883.

A large climber, hispidly hairy all over with long hairs. Occasional.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 858.

A. hookeri Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 185, 1883.

A large climber; leaves cordate-ovate; flowers tubular, funnel-shaped, pink. Rare.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 22.

A. roxburghii Arn. ex Chois. var. *ampla* (Wall. ex Chois.) Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 185, 1883.

A common climber; leaves silky villous, white and more or less shining. Tama 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 289.

Ipomoea eriocarpa R. Br. Prodr. 484, 1810; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 204, 1883.

A twiner with small pink flowers. Occasional in the area.

Kheri, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43541.

I. alba Linn. Sp. Pl. 161, 1753. *I. bona-nox* Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 2, 228, 1762; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 197, 1883.

A twiner with large white flowers. Occasional on roadside thickets.

Kheri, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43486; Samchi, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10462; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 128.

I. muricata (Linn.) Jacq. Hort. Schoenbr. 3 : 40. t. 323, 1798; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 197, 1883.

A glabrous twiner with a milky juice; flowers large, rose-purple. Frequent on roadside shrubberies, often cultivated.

Kheri, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43486.

I. pes-tigridis Linn. Sp. Pl. 162, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 204, 1883.

A twiner with deeply 5-9 lobed leaves; all parts patently hirsute; flowers pink.

Kanglung, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43554.

I. purpurea (L.) Roth Bot. Abh. 27, 1787; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 200, 1883.

A twiner of the hedges. Commonly cultivated.

Paro, 250 m, Oct. 1965, Mukerjee 5894.

Ipomoea quamoclit Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 159, 753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 199, 1883.

A slender twiner ; leaves pinnate with linear segments : flowers small, crimson. Cultivated.

Phuntsholing, Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 368.

Merremia umbellata (Linn.) Hall. f. in Eng. Bot. Jahrb. 16 : 553, 1893.

Ipomoea cymosa Roem. & Sch. Syst. 4 : 241, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 211, 1883.

An occasional twiner of the roadside jungles.

Birti, 600-900 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1350. ‘

Porana paniculata Roxb. Pl. Corom. 3 : 31, t. 235, 1819 ; Fl. Brit. Ind.

4 : 222, 1883.

An extensive climber, very common at the foot hills ; flowers white, small, numerous in much branched panicles.

Mongirdzon, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44626 ; Samchi hill, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10414 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 25.

P. racemosa Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 41, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 222, 1883.

A much branched twiner with white flowers in exposed forests. Common.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 915 ; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 255 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43864 ; Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43349 ; on way to Lhuntsi from Nayalanddong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44501 ; Samchi hill, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10396 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 180.

SOLANACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Capsicum annuum L. Sp. Pl. 188, 1753.

Erect undershrub. Probably cultivated.
Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 340.

Datura stramonium L. Sp. Pl. 179, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 242, 1883.

An erect branched herb with white flowers and spiny capsules. On the roadsides and waste places.

Paro, 2500 ft, August 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1268 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 330 ; Pam Camp, 15 km from Rongthong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43475.

Lycopersicon esculentum Mill. Gard. Dict. (ed. 8.) n. 2, 1768 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 237, 1883.

An escape with yellow flowers.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 337.

Nicandra physalode (L.) Gaertn. Fruct. 2 : 237, 1791 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 240, 1883 (*physaloidea*).

Local name : Dong dongey bin (Nep.).

Stout shrub with blue-violet flowers and berries enclosed within inflated calyces ; in clearings of forests. Abundant in some places.

Forests around Betni bridge & Rhola, 1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1070 ; Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 237 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 331.

Nicotiana tabacum L. Sp. Pl. 180, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 245, 1883.

Erect herb with pinkish-red flowers and capsules. An escape from cultivation.

Jela la Hill, Paro, 2500 m, August 1963, *Sen Gupta* 799 ; Manas Camp., 600 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 458.

Physalis minima L. Sp. Pl. 183, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 238, 1883.

Branched herb with yellow flowers. Frequent.

Punakha, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2051 ; Kheri, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43484.

Scopolia lurida (Link et Otto) Dun. in DC. Prodr. 13(1) : 555, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 243, 1883.

Local name : Bapshunda (Bl.).

Stout herb with pale cream-yellow flowers. Probably cultivated in homestead.

Ha village, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 631.

Solanum crassipetalum Wall. ex Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 256, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 232, 1883. *Lycianthes pachypetala* (Spreng.) Bitter in Abhandl. Naturw. Ver. Bremea 24 : 475, 1920.

Local name : Bon Khusani (Nep.).

Branched undershrub or shrub with white flowers and shining orange-red berries.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 871 ; Changda chungli hills, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10551 ; Gaylegphug, 300 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 156.

S. erianthum D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 96, 1825. *S. verbascifolium* Fl. Brit. 4 : 230, 1883, non Linn.

Local name : Namphai (Bh.).

Tall shrub, up to 3 m tall, flowers pale white. Frequent in shrubberies.
 Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1203 ; Tama, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 308 ;
 Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2063.

Solanum indicum L. Sp. Pl. 187, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 234, 1883.

Local name : Bin (Nep.).

Prickly shrub with violet flowers and orange-red berries. On roadsides and forest clearings.

Gaylegphug forests, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 924 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6114 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 307.

S. myriacanthum Kun. Hist. Solan. 218, t. 19. 1813. *S. khasianum* Clarke var. *charterjeeanum* *Sen Gupta* in Bull. Bot. Surv. India 3 : 411, 1961.

Local name : Karchinda kara (Nep.).

Branched and very prickly undershrub with white flowers and golden yellow berries. In open grounds and roadsides.

Paro valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1314 ; Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10331 ; Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 974 ; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1205 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6144 ; Rani Camp to Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 262 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2001 ; Samdrup Jhonkar, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 4101.

S. kurzii Brace ex Prain in J. Asiatic Soc. Beng. 65(2) nat. Sc. 3 : 541, 1896.

S. pubescens var. ? *lobata* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 231, 1883.

Shrub with violet flowers and green berries. On roadsides.

Birti, 650-850 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1326.

S. nigrum L. Sp. Pl. 186, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 229, 1883.

Tender herb with white flowers. Common in various habitats.

Chima Kathi, 2150 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1177 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 66 ; Changtai, Samchi, 160 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10461 ; Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1221 ; Gaylegphug, 300 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1348 ; Deothong to Narfong 1200 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43169 ; 10 km north of Deothong towards Narfong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43202.

S. torvum Sw. Prodr. M7, 1778 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 234, 1883.

Local name : Bin (Nep.).

Erect prickly shrub with white flowers and edible berries. Frequent in open jungles.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 817 ; Dorokha forest, 660 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10521 ; Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1206 ; Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, *Abraham* 332 ; Gaylegphug, 300 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 116 ; Narfong, 1650 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43270.

SCROPHULARIACEAE

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Ellisiophyllum pinnatum (Wall.) Makino in Bot. Mag. Tokyo 20 : 91, 1906.

Sibthorpia pinnata (Wall.) Benth. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 288, 1884.

Herb with creeping stem, hirsute all over with soft spreading hairs ; flowers small on long, slender pedicels. Rare along road side jungle.

Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5305.

Euphrasia simplex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 95, 1825. *E. officinalis* Benth.

in DC. Prodr. 10 : 552, 1846 non Linn. ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 304, 1884 p.p.

A small herb with lilac flowers on open ground. Scarce.

Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 634.

Hemiphragma heterophyllum Wall. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 13 : 612, 1822 ;

Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 289, 1884.

A creeping herb with slender stem and dimorphic leaves and pink flowers. In patches on the fringe of forests and on foot tracks.

Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5208 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5288 ; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 407.

Limnophila rugosa (Roeh) Merr. Interp. Herb. Amb. 466, 1917. *L. roxburghii*

G. Don Gen. Syst. 4 : 543, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 266, 1884.

An aromatic herb with bluish flower. Occasionally growing in marshy area.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10448.

L. sessiliflora (Vahl) Bl. Bijdr. 749, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 270, 1884.

Small herb of the swamps. Scarce.

On road to Rongthong, 4 km north of Gomchu, 2200 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43425.

L. sessilis (Benth.) Fischer in Kew Bull. 1932 : 62, 1932. *L. conferta* Benth.

in DC. Prodr. 10 : 386, 1846 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 267, 1884.

A small herb of the marshy area. Scarce.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10636.

Lindenbergia grandiflora Benth. Scroph. Ind. 22, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 261, 1884.

A rambling herb with yellow flowers in rock crevices. Occasional.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 407.

L. indica (Linn.) Vatka in Oster Bot. Zeits. 25 : 10, 1875. *L. polyantha*

Royle ex Benth. Scroph. Ind. 22, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 262, 1884.

L. urticaefolia Lehm. in Link & Otto Ind. Sem. Hort. Hamb. 1829 : 5, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 262, 1884.

A small, tender herb with yellow flowers. Common on rocky places.

On way to Tama from Rani Camp, 1600 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 249 ; on road to Rongthong north of Gomchu, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43420 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5861.

Lindernia ruuloidoides (Colsm.) Pennell in Britt. 2 : 182, 1936. *Bonnaya reptans* Spr. Syst. 1 : 410, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 284, 1884.

A small, semi-erect herb with pink flowers. Frequent in open situations.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 843 ; Ibid., May 1964, Sen Gupta 1418 ; Shan Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1115.

Mazus japonicus (Thunb.) O. Ktze. Rev. Gen. 1 : 462, 1891. *M. rugosus* Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 385, 1790 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 259, 1884.

A small herb with purple branches and white flowers. Common on grassy lawns.

Birti, 900 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1345 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5120 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

M. surculosus D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 87, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 260, 1884.

Small herb with deep violet flowers. Frequent on meadow lands. Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1283.

Mimulus nepalensis Benth. Scroph. Ind. 29, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 258, 1884.

Semi-prostrate herb with yellow flowers, forming undergrowth in forests under damp situations.

Birti, 600 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1434 ; Gomchu, opposite workshop, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43405.

Pedicularis bifida (Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don) Pennell in Acad. Nat. Sci. Philad. Monogr. 5 : 144, 1943. *P. carnosa* Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 44, t. 154, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 313, 1884.

Small herbs with thick roots ; flowers rose-coloured but crimson-purple at the tips. Frequent on meadows.

On road to Rongthong near Gumpa, 5 km north of Gomchu, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43416.

P. gracilis Wall. ex Benth. Scroph. Ind. 53, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 306, 1884.

Small herb on open ground with pink flowers. Frequent. Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43449.

Scoparia dulcis Linn. Sp. Pl. 116, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 289, 1884.

A small herb with white flowers. Common on pathways and open rocky soil.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 939 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1347 ; Samchi hill, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thoithathri* 10359 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5050 ; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 37 ; Paro, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 742.

Scrophularia elatior Benth. Scroph. Ind. 18, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 255, 1884.

Tall herb on roadside shrubberies.

Gomchu opposite workshop, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43394.

Sopubia trifida Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 88, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 302, 1884.

A herb of the grassland ; flowers yellow.

Kheri camp, 3 km to Tashigong, 1100 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43524.

Torenia cordifolia Roxb. Pl. Corm. 2 : 52, 1798 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 276, 1884.

Small tender herb of moist places ; flowers violet-blue. Common and forming small patches on open ground.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 47 ; Wamrung approach, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43357.

T. diffusa D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 86, 1825. *T. vagans* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 96, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 277, 1884.

Small herb with purple flowers. scattered all over in moist situations and in rock-crevices.

Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 992 ; Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1113 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1360.

T. violacea Pennell in Journ. Arn. Arb. 24 : 255, 1943. *T. peduncularis* Benth. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 276, 1884.

Small herb with violet flowers. Scarce in the area.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 106.

Verbascum thapsus Linn. Sp. Pl. 177, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 250, 1884.

Shrubs bordering cultivated fields and on roadside ; leaves and inflorescence thickly covered with a soft greyish tomentum ; flowers yellow.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5835 ; *Ibid.*, *Sen Gupta* 788 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5223.

Veronica anagallis-aquatica Linn. Sp. Pl. 12, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4: 293, 1884.

Herb with soft ascending stem and pale violet flowers. Common near ditches and running water.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5941 & 5942; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n.

V. javanica Bl. Bijdr. 742, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 296, 1884.

Erect tender herb on forest fringe.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5905; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5225; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari 5117.

OROBANCHACEAE

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Aeginetia indica Linn. Sp. Pl. 632, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 320, 1884.

Leafless small herbs; flowers scapose, solitary, purple in colour. Sporadic in shady places.

On way to Deothong, 13 km down from Garrison Engineer's Camp, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43588; 4 km to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44267.

LENTIBULARIACEAE

K. SUBRAMANYAM

Utricularia scandens Benj. var. *firma* (Oliv.) Subra. & Ban. comb. et stat. nov. *U. wallichiana* Wight var. *firma* Oliv. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 182, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 333, 1884.

Small erect herb with slender stem and spurred yellow flower. Common in marshes.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, Balakrishnan 1246; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5900.

GESNERIACEAE

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Aeschynanthus chiritooides Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 341, 1884.

Slender her^y with white flowers, overhanging from rocks in damp shade or epiphytic on trees. Common.

Near Betru Bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1064.

A. grandiflora Sprng. Syst. 4 : 238, 1827; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 338, 1884.

Epiphytic herb common in lower hills; flowers with red tube and orange lobes, with black-purple dots.

Tashigong to Yangtsi, 2000 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41362.

A. sikkimensis (Clarke) Stapf in Bot. Mag. t. 8938, 1922. *A. maculata* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 339, 1884 p.p. non Lindl. & var. *sikkimensis* Clarke.

Small epiphytic herb with many pink flowers.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 124.

Aeschynanthus parviflorus (D. Don) Spreng. Syst. 4 : 238, 1827. *A. ramosissima* Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 55, t. 71, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 339, 1884. Succulent herb, epiphytic on tree trunks. Frequent.
Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 235 ; Dorokha, 1000 m. Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10498 ; Sureylakha, 1500 m. Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 978.

Chirita acuminata R. Br. in Benn. Pl. Jav. Rar. 117, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 359, 1884.

An undershrub of humid forests : flowers yellowish white.
Way to Monger from Nyalangdon, 1250 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44568.

C. pumila D. Don. Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 90, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 357, 1884.

Herb with few oblique leaves : flowers bluish. Frequent in shady damp places.

On road to Narfong, 16 km from Deothong, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43212 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43880.

C. verticifolia Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 90, 1825 : Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 358, 1884.

Herb with leaves unequal at base : flowers purple with yellow lines within. Frequent in shady damp places.

Garrison Engineer's Camp, on way to Narfong, 35 km north from Deothong, 1700 m. Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43216.

Corallodiscus lanuginosus (DC.) Burtt. in Gard. Chron. Ser. 3, 122 : 212

1947. *Didissandra lanuginosa* (DC.) Clarke in DC. Monogr. Phaner. 5 : 66, 1883 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 355, 1884.

A dwarf herb with a very short stem and crowded leaves, fulvous tomentose when young ; flowers pale blue. Frequent in damp shady places.

Nyoth forest, Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44167 ; 3 km north of Gomchu, 2500 m. Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43216.

Didymocarpus cinerea D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 122, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 346, 1884.

Herb with a short stem and crowded leaves, greyish to nentose ; flowers purple.

Narfong, 2 km north along stream bank, down the hill, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43256.

Loxostigma griffithii (Wight) Clarke in DC. Monogr. Phaner. 5 : 60, 1883 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 244, 1884.

A common undershrub, often epiphytic ; leaf base oblique ; flowers dull brownish yellow.

Sureylakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10542 ; Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44167.

Lysionotus serrata D. Don in Edin. Philos. Journ. 7 : 85, 1882 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 344, 1884.

Glabrous epiphytic herbs ; leaves closely crenate-serrate near to the base ; flowers purple.

Near Betni Bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1074 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 61 ; Deothong, Dantak Camp, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43164.

Rhynchoglossum obliquum Bl. Bijdr. 741, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 367, 1884.

A small herb growing in clumps in moist shady situations; flowers blue.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 297 ; from Deothong to Narfong, 1200 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43170 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43874.

Rhynchotechum ellipticum (Wall. ex Dictr.) A. DC. in DC. Prodr. 9 : 285, 1846 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 373, 1884.

Local name : Galeto.

Erect herb tomentose or woolly in younger parts ; flowers rose-purple. In forest floor as well as on road side, abundant at some places. Used as a fodder plant.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1076 ; on road to Narfong, 10 km from Deothong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43204 ; Samchi hill, 700 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10453.

R. vestitum Wall. ex Clarke Comm. & Cyrt. Beng. 132, t. 92, 1874 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 373, 1884.

An erect undershrub ; flowers pink.

PHRYMACEAE

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Phryma leptostachya Linn. var. **oblongifolia** (Koidz.) Honda in Bot. Mag. Tokyo 50 : 608, 1936. *P. leptostachya* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 562, 1885 non *inn.*

An erect herb with membranous leaves and pale purple flowers. Rare.

Gomchu, down the stream, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43438 ; Lumichawa, 2560 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

ACANTHACEAE

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Adhatoda vasica Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 103, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 540, 1885.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1227.

Barleria strigosa Willd. Sp. Pl. 3 : 379, 1800 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 489, 1884.
Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10616.

Daedalaanthus splendens T. Andr. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 9 : 486, 1867;
Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 418, 1884.
Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10347.

D. tubiflorus T. Andr. *Ibid.* 9 : 485, 1867; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 417, 1884.
Gaylegphug, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 847.

Dianthera virgata Benth. in Gen. Pl. 2 : 1114, 1876 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 542,
1885.
Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 172.

Dicliptera roxburghiana Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 112, 1832 ; Fl. Brit.
Ind. 4 : 553, 1885.
Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10304.

Eranthemum indicum Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 497, 1884.
Changda Chungi hills, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10556; Sureylakha, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 848.

E. platiferum Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 108, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 :
498, 1884.
Sureylakha, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1001; Gaylegphug, Nov.
1964, *Deb* 169.

Hygrophila polysperma T. Andr. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 11 : 456, 1870 ; Fl.
Brit. Ind. 4 : 406, 1884.
Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10622.

Lepidagathis incurva Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 119, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4:
521, 1885.
Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10617 ; Gaylegphug, May 1964, *Sen
Gupta* 1426.

Peristrophe speciosa Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 113, 1832 ; Fl. Brit.
Ind. 4 : 556, 1885.
Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10343.

Phlogacanthus pubinervius T. Andr. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 9 : 508, 1867;
Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 513, 1885.

Dorokha, 2500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10304; Sham Khara, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1089.

Phlogacanthus thyrsiflorus Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 99, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 512, 1884.

Sibachang, 800 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10580 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 440.

Rungia himalayensis Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 548, 1885.

Tama, 1100 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1149 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 293.

Strobilanthes capitatus T. Andr. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 9 : 475, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 459, 1884.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10321.

S. coloratus T. Andr. *Ibid.* 9 : 481, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 473, 1884.

Sangura, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10572.

S. divaricatus T. Andr. *Ibid.* 9 : 478, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 468, 1884.

Sangura, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10642.

S. pentstemonoides T. Andr. *Ibid.* 9 : 479, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 460, 1884.

Batasi, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1014; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 78.

S. thomsonii T. Andr. *Ibid.* 9 : 478, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 512, 1884.

Sangura, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10575.

Thunbergia grandiflora Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 34, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 392, 1884.

Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 128.

LAMIACEAE

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Achyrospermum wallichianum (Benth.) Benth. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 673, 1885.

A common undershrub of the forest floor at lower elevations ; flowers small, pale purple. Floral parts eaten in curries.

Gaylegphug, 270 m. Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 878 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 108 ; *Sureylakha*, 1350 m. Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 938 ; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 986 ; Garrison Engineers' Camp, 1900 m. Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43553 & 43582 ; *Phuntsholing*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 100 ; *Samchi*, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10310.

Ajuga bracteosa Wall. ex Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 59, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 702, 1885.

Small herb ; branches many from a rootstock, trailing ; flowers blue in short, bracteate spikes. Occasional along pathways.

Ha Valley, 2700 m, Aug., 1965, *Sen Gupta* s. n. ; *Chalsilakha*, 1500 m. Jan. 1964, *Subba Rao* 421 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964. *Maheshwari* 5152.

A. macroperma Wall. ex Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 58, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 704, 1885.

var. *macroperma*

A procumbent herb with pale blue flowers in terminal spikes. Occasional in meadow lands and hill slopes.

Thimpu, 250 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s. n. ; *Tama*, 1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1158 ; *Kamji*, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 177.

var. *breviflora* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 704, 1885.

Small herb of the hill-slopes. Scarce.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1109.

var. *thomsonii* (Maxim.) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 704, 1885.

Small herb ; flowers blue purple. Scarce on hill-slopes.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1116.

***Anisomeles indica* (L.) O. Ktze. Rev. Gen. Pl. I : 512, 1891. *A. ovata* R. Br.**

Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 672, 1885.

Suffruticose herb, softly tomentose in younger parts ; flowers purple. Common on road side and waste places.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10391 ; *Kheri*, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43505 ; *Gaylegphug*, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 851.

Anisochilus pallidus Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 18, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 629, 1885.

An erect herb in roadside jungle ; flowers very small, crowded in conical spikes. Rare.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10369.

Clinopodium umbrosum (M. Bieb) C. Koch in Linnaea 21 : 673, 1848. *Calamintha umbrosa* Benth. in DC. Prodr. 12 : 232, 1848 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 650, 1885.

A procumbent herb with small purplish flowers in axillary whorls. Common along pathways and meadow lands.

Chenari village, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43158 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5964.

Colebrookia oppositifolia Smith Exot. Bot. 2 : t. 3, 1805 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 642, 1805.

A tall shrub, flowers small, crowded in spikes. Frequent in tropical and subtropical forests.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10338.

Coleus forskalii (Willd.) Brig. in Engl. Pflanzenf. 4 : (3a) : 359, 1897. *C. barbatus* (Andr.) Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 15, 1801 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 625, 1885.

Perennial herb with a fleshy rootstock ; leaves slightly thick ; flowers small bluish. Rare.

Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Colquhonia coccinea Wall. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 13 : 608, 1822 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 674, 1885.

var. *coccinea*

A tall shrub with scandent and sprawling branches, tomentose with white stellate hairs ; flowers red in axillary on terminal spikes. Common in open jungles.

Paro, 200 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5849.

var. *mollis* Prain in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 62 : 37, 1893.

Tall shrub with a dense, rusty tomentum ; flowers larger, orange red. Common in open jungle.

Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5974.

var. *vestita* (Wall.) Prain in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 62 : 36, 1893.

Semi-scandent shrub with a dense, floccose, white, stellate tomentum ; flowers pink. Scattered in the fringe of forests.

Thimpu, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Craimiotome versicolor Reichb. Icon. Exot. 1 : 39, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 672, 1885.

Erect perennial herb ; flower very small, numerous, crowded in subcumbent cymes arranged in a terminal panicle. Common along roadside jungles.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 191 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1963, Maheshwari 5130 ; Wamrung approach, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43360 ; Batase, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1018.

Dysophylla linearis Benth. in DC. Prodr. 12 : 157, 1848 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 639, 1885.

Erect herb with usually unbranched stem ; leaves whorled ; flowers small purple. Scarce.

Tashiyangtse, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44287.

Elsholtzia blanda Benth. Lab. Gen. et Sp. 162, 1833 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 643, 1885.

Local name : Mirey pati.

An aromatic undershrub with white flowers in secund paniculate spikes. Frequent on hill slopes in the open.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 935 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 4 ; Wamring approach, Sept. 1965, *A.S. Rao* 43358 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5863 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5133 ; Samchi hill, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10471.

E. ciliata (Thunb.) Hyland in Bot. Noiser 1941 : 129, 1941. *E. cristata* Willd. in Roem. et. Ust. Bot. Mag. 4-2 : 5, t. I, 1890.

An undershrub with small pale violet flowers. Common on roadside, forest paths and hill slopes.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 21 ; Paro 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5840.

E. fruticosa (D. Don) Rehder in Pl. Wilson 3 : 381, 1916. *E. polystachya* Benth. Lab. Gen. et Sp. 161, 1833 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 643, 1885.

A shrub with long slender branches ; flowers small in long slender spikes. Occasional on roadside jungles.

Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5921 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 178 ; Honshu, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 657.

E. stachyoidea (Link) Raizada & Saxena in Ind. For. 72 : 106, 1962. *E. incisa* Benth. Lab. Gen. et Sp. 162, 1833 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 644, 1885.

Slender aromatic herb of waste places ; flowers small, corolla white. Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 339.

E. pilosa Benth. Lab. Gen. et Sp. 163, 1833 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 644, 1885.

Undershrub with purple violet flowers.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 259.

Gomphostemma parviflorum Wall. ex Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 12, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 697, 1885.

Local name : Kaman dhusur.

Tall robust herb with a woody stem ; flowers yellow in axillary cymes. Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 910 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 23.

Hyptis suaveolens Poit. in An. Mus. Par. 7 : 472, t. 29, f.2. 1806 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 630, 1885.

Tall shrub with blue flowers. Common in open places and roadside jungles.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 827 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 9 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10307.

Lamium amplexicaule Linn. Sp. Pl. 579, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 679, 1885.

A decumbent herb ; flowers in axillary whorls, red-purple. Scarce along pathways.

Shemgang, 2600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1273.

Leucas cephalotes (Roth) Spreng. Syst. Veg. 2 : 743, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 689, 1885.

Small herbs with white flowers, crowded in globose whorls. Common in waste land.

Kheri, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43480.

L. ciliata Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 61, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 687, 1885.

An undershrub, hirsute with brown hairs ; flowers in globose whorls ; mouth of fruiting calyx ciliate and stellately spreading.

North of Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43358 ; Lumichawa, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

L. mollissima Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 62, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 682, 1885.

Slender herb with straggling branches ; flowers white in axillary whorls. Occasional on roadside jungle.

Kheri, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43512 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Leucosceptrum canum Smith, Exot. Bot. 2 : 113, t. 116, 1806 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 699, 1885.

Small tree, younger parts hoary tomentose, flowers in erect spikes. Common in open jungles and fringes of forests.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 966 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10499.

Mentha sylvestris Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 2) 804, 1763 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 647, 1885.

Tall aromatic herb ; flowers pale purple in dense spikes. Abundant along ditches and nullahs.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5877.

Micromeria biflora Benth. Lab. Gen. et. Sp. 378, 1834 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 650, 1885.

Tufted herb with small sessile leaves and small flowers in axillary whorls. Scattered in grasslands.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5889 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n. ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Microtoena insuavis (Hance) Prain ex Dunn in Notes Bot. Gard. Edin. 28 : 128, 1915. *Plectranthus patchouli* Clarke ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 624, 1885.

Erect branching herb ; flowers yellow in paniculate cymes. A rare plant.

Gomchu, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43446.

Melissa parviflora Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 65, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 651, 1885.

Undershrub with pale pink flowers. Scattered in shady forest floor.

Sureylakha, 165 ; Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 988 ; Batase, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1012 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1944, Deb 96 ; Narfong, 1900 m, A. S. Rao 43245 ; Narfong to Wamrung, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43320 ; Wamrung to Gomchu, 2450 m, A. S. Rao 43388 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Jan. 1964, Subba Rao 442 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, Maheshwari 5081 ; Ha Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta s.n.

Nepeta laevigata (D. Don) Hand. Mazz. Sym. Sin. 7 : 916, 1936. *N. spicata* Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 64, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 659, 1885.

An erect herb with small blue flowers in dense terminal spikes. Rare in open jungle.

Dochu La, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Notochaete hamosa Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 63, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 649, 1885.

Undershrub ; small white flowers in globose, axillary heads ; fruiting calyx with hooked spines. Frequent in warm temperate forests.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 55 ; north of Narfong, 1960 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43296 ; road to Tashigong, Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 43945 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 403.

Ocimum basilicum Linn. Sp. Pl. 597, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 608, 1885.

Undershrub ; flowers very small, pale purple. Cultivated or self sown in village shrubberies.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 112 ; Kheri, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43510.

Origanum vulgare Linn. Sp. Pl. 590, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 648, 1885.

Erect dichotomously branched herb ; flowers small, pink in corymbose cymes. Occasional along roadside jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 758 ; Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 676 ; Honshu, 2800 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Orthosiphon incurvus Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 15, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 614, 1885.

Small undershrub with tubular purple flowers in long racemes. Occasional in open jungles.

North of Nafong, 1950 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43288.

Phlomis macrophylla Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 62, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 692, 1885.

Tall herb with stout stem ; bracts and calyx spinescent ; corolla red, villous with white hairs. Rare in open forest.

Dochu La, 3000 m, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

P. japonicus (Burm.f.) Koidz. in Bot. Mag. Tokyo, 43 : 386, 1929.

Spreading shrub with small blue flowers in terminal panicles. Common in the forest fringes.

Gaylegphug 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 841 ; Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 973 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 25 ; Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43458 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5832 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thorathathri* s.n.

Plectranthus gerardianus Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 17, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 617, 1885.

Herb ; hispidly hairy all over with rusty tomentum ; flowers small, bluish white. Occasional in open forest.

From Rani Camp to Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 246 ; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 402.

P. hispidus Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 17, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 618, 1885.

Stout herb, villous all over ; corolla white, speckled with red. Rare. Wamrung, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43759 & 43561.

P. maddeni Benth. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 620, 1885.

Stout erect herb, nearly glabrous ; flowers small, purple. Rare in roadside jungle.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 412.

P. repens Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 17, 1931 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 619, 1885.

Small herb ; stem prostrate below ; flowers small, white. Rare in roadside jungle.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5923.

Plectranthus rugosus Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 17, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 620, 1885.

Erect shrub, hoary with stellate hairs ; leaves slightly thick, rugose above ; flowers small, corolla white with rose or purple spots. Rare in open jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5855.

P. scrophularioides Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 16, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 616, 1885.

Slender shrub, almost glabrous ; flowers pale rose. Occasional in roadside jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5833.

P. striatus Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 17, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 618, 1885.

Local name : Dolo patey, Mirey pati.

A herb with small white flowers in lax panicle. Scattered in open forests.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 1103.

P. ternifolius D. Don Prod. Fl. Nepal. 117, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 621, 1885.

Local name : Peng-dong-dongla.

Erect shrub ; leaves thick, in whorls of 3 or 4, rugose above ; flowers white, small. Scattered in open jungles. Leaves used for smoking.

On way from Tama to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1191 ; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 269.

Pogostemon dasianus De et Mukerjee in Ind. For. 66 : 331, 1940.

Tufted herb with prostrate and ascending branches ; flowers small. Rare in forest fringes.

Wamring approach, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43363.

P. tuberculosus Benth. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 31, 1880 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 633, 1885.

Undershrub with stiff branches ; flowers purple. Wide spread on roadside and forest fringes.

Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 942 ; on way to Tama from Rani Camp, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 251 ; Samchi hill, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10371.

Prunella vulgaris Linn. Sp. Pl. 100, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 670, 1885.

Small herb with blue flowers in a dense spike ; scattered on meadow lands.

Chai la Pass, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 606 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Salvia glutinosa Linn. Sp. Pl. 26, 1753.

Tall robust herb, viscidly hairy ; leaves more or less hastate ; flowers yellow in lax panicles. Rare in forest fringes.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5939.

Scutellaria discolor Colebr. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 66, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 667, 1885.

Small annual herb ; leaves radical, elliptic, long-petioled ; flowers pale blue, in lax racemes. On rocky hill slopes, scarce.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1101 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Teucrium viscidum Bl. Bijdr. 14 : 827, 1825. *T. stoloniferum* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 3, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 700, 1885.

Erect perennial herb, stoloniferous ; corolla pink or white with purple tinge. Rare along forest path.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1416.

PLANTAGINACEAE

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Plantago erosa Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. I : 423, 1820. *P. major* Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 705, 1885 non Linn.

Small herb with radical leaves and small white flowers in peduncled spikes. Common on grasslands.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1288 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5970 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1163 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 904 ; Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 812 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 251 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5084 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5256 ; on road to Narfong, 16 km from Deothong, 1550 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43205.

P. tibetica Hook.f. et Th. ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 706, 1885.

Small perennial herb with short stout root stock and radical leaves ; flowers very small, on peduncled spikes. Rare among grasses.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5859.

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Boerhaavia diffusa Linn. Sp. Pl. 3. 1753. *B. repens* Linn. Sp. Pl. 3. 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 709, 1885.

A rambling undershrub in roadside shrubberies ; stem and branches with a purplish tinge ; leaves ovate or orbicular, green with purplish tinge ; flowers small in lax panicles.

Phuntsholing, April 1964. *Maheshwari* 5061.

Oxybaphus himalaicus Edgew. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 30 : 87, 1846 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 708, 1885.

Erect herb with brittle stem ; flowers rose coloured, involucrate, panicled. Rare in open jungle.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5954.

AMARANTHACEAE

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Achyranthes aspera Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 204, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 730, 1885.

An undershrub, softly tomentose all over ; flowers small in long spikes, bracts and bracteoles spinescent ; rachis elongating in fruit. Scattered on road side and waste places.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 21 ; Kheri, 1150 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43515.

A. bidentata Bl. Bijdr. 545, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 730, 1885.

A herb with few, long, slender branches ; flowers small, whorled in long slender spikes, bracts and bracteoles spinescent. Occasional in exposed forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 888 ; Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963 *Sen Gupta* 1002.

Aerva sanguinolenta (Linn.) Blume Bijdr. 547, 1825. *A. scandens* (Roxb.) Moq. in DC. Prodr. 13 : 2 : 826, 1849 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 727, 1885.

An undershrub with straggling branches, hoary tomentose all over ; flowers minute in spikate whorls. Frequent on road side and waste places.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 310 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10598.

Alternanthera sessilis (Linn.) DC. in Caf. Host. Monspel. 77, 1813 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 731, 1885.

Weak prostrate herb with minute flowers in axillary whorls. Common on open ground.

Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1316 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1354 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10271 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Amaranthus paniculatus Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 2. 1406, 1762 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 718, 1885.

Tall robust herb with pinkish stem ; flowers minute in large panicles. Cultivated and found as escape.

Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5841.

A. spinosus Linn. Sp. Pl. 991, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 718, 1885.

An erect spinous herb with minute flowers. Frequent in waste places.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 261 ; Punakha 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

A. viridis Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 2.) 1405, 1762 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 720, 1885.

Erect or decumbent herb ; stem pale pink ; flowers minute. A weed of waste places.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 358 ; Birti 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1208.

Cyathula capitata Moq. in DC. Prodr. 13 : 329, 1849 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 722, 1885.

A slender herb ; flowers minute in white glistening heads. Rare.

Gomchu, opposite to workshop, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43399.

C. prostrata (Linn.) Bl. Bijdr. 549, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 723, 1885.

Annual with ascending stem ; flowers minute, in spikes bluish clusters. In forest clearings or on roadside, frequent.

Gaylegphug 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 809 & 886 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 130.

C. tomentosa (Roth) Mcq. in DC. Prodr. 13 : 2 : 327, 1849 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 722, 1885.

A straggling undershrub, tomentose or woolly ; flowers in white glistening heads arranged in elongate spikes. Rare in open roadside jungle.

Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Deeringia amaranthoides (Lam.) Merr. Int. Rumph. Herb. Amb. 211, 1917.

D. celostoides R. Br. Prodr. Fl. Nov. Holl. 413, 1810 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 4 : 714, 1885.

Local name : Benthuya, Bangi lahara.

Scandent or subscandent shrub with long arching branches ; flowers very small, greenish white, in long pendant spikes ; berries globose, scarlet.

Common in tropical forests. Fruits and roots are used in stomach troubles.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 5 ; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 172 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10527 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 801 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 122 ; Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1028 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 54 ; Samdrup Jhonkar, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43827 ; on way to Nyoth from Shali, *Balakrishnan*. s. n.

CHENOPODIACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

C. album Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 219, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 3, 1886.

Annual herb, woody below, younger parts covered with white tomentum ; flowers minute in terminal or axillary spikes. Cultivated as well as an escape.

Birti 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1217 ; *Ibid.*, 600-960 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1343 ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5956 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

C. ambrosioides Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 219, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 4, 1886.

Branched aromatic herb with minute flowers. Occasionally found in cultivated fields.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 369.

C. botrys Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 219, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 4, 1886.

Strongly aromatic herb ; flowers minute. Occasional in roadside jungles.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5959 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 756 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 766.

BASELLACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Basella alba Linn. Sp. Pl. 272, 1753. *B. rubra* Linn. Sp. Pl. 272, 1753 ; Fl.

Brit. Ind. 5 : 20, 1886.

A fleshy twiner, usually cultivated for use as vegetable.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10443.

POLYGONACEAE

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Aconogonum molle (D. Don) Hara, Fl. East. Him. 68, 1966. *Polygonum molle* D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 72, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 50, 1886. Local name : Thothney.

var. **molle**

Large spreading shrub with tender branches; flowers very small, pinkish white, in much branched panicle. Gregarious in roadside jungles. Tender branchlets are used as vegetables and in preparing condiments.

Batase, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1010; Chi la Pass, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1010.

var. **frondosum** (Meissn.) Hara, Fl. East. Him. 68, 1966. *Polygonum frondosum* (Meissn.) DC. Prodr. 14 : 137, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 49, 1886.

Shrub with pendant branches and white flowers. A common under-growth in the forests, forming large communities.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 417; Kamji, 1000 m, 1963, *Subba Rao* 171; Gomchu, on road to Tashigong from Wamrung, 2200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41156; 90 km point on road from Nafong to Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43327.

Bildordyka pterocarpa (Wall. ex Meissn.) Green. Leafl. I : 23, 1904. *Polygonum pterocarpum* Wall. ex Meissn. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 62, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 54, 1886.

Twining shrub with small flowers and winged fruit. Rare in roadside shrubbery.

Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thorathri* 10576.

Bistorta sphaerostachya (Meissn.) Green. Leafl. Bot. Obs. I.21, 1904. *Polygonum sphaerostachyum* Meissn. Monogr. Polygo. 53, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 32, 1886.

Erect perennial herb with a woody rootstock; flowers crimson, drooping in dense spike. Rare in the forest.

Chi la Pass, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 718.

B. vaccinifolia (Wall. ex Meissn.) Green. Leafl. I : 21, 1904. *Polygonum vaccinifolium* Wall. ex Meissn. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 54, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 33, 1886.

Perennial herb of tufted habit; stem stout; flowers rose coloured. Frequent in open jungles.

Dongala, 3500 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44440.

Fagopyrum diobotrys (D. Don) Hara, Fl. East. Him. 69, 1966. *F. cymosum* (Trev.) Meissn. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 63, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 55, 1886.

Erect herb woody near the base. Common on roadside and in open situation.

Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 423; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. *Mukerjee* 5862; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Fagopyrum esculentum Moench Meth. 290, 1794; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 55, 1886.

Local name : Phapar.

Branched herb with deltoid leaves and pink flowers. Cultivated and found as an escape. Flour is obtained from seeds; tender parts of the plant are used as vegetable.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 923; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 66; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10312.

F. tataricum (Linn.) Gaertner, Fruct. et Sem. 2 : 182, t. 119, f. 6, 1791; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 55, 1886.

Slender herb with spreading branches; flowers white or pale pink. Cultivated and found as an escape. Seeds and twigs are used in a similar manner as *F. esculentum*.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1222; *Ibid.*, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1318; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 319.

Persicaria barbata (Linn.) Hara, Fl. East. 70, 1966. *Polygonum harbatum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 362, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 37, 1886.

Erect herb near ditches; flowers small, white or pinkish. Common. Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 852; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 1; on way to Tashiyangsi, 8 km from Tashigong, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44042; Kanglung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43550.

P. capitata (Buch.-Ham.) H. Gross in Eng. Bot. Jahrb. 49 : 277, 1913. *Polygonum capitatum* Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 73, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 44, 1886.

Much branched herb, prostrate or creeping; flowers minute, crowded in small pedunculate heads. Frequent on hill slopes or near edge of streams.

Sureylakha, 1400 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 944; Birti, 750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1295; Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41180; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5312B; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10373; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 404.

P. chinensis (Linn.) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Jahrb. 49 : 269, 1913. *Polygonum chinense* Linn. Sp. Pl. 363, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 44, 1886.

var. *chinensis*

A spreading undershrub of bushy habit; flowers minute, in branched panicles. In roadside jungles and forest clearings, wide-spread and gregarious.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 807, 868; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 121; Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 961; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 129; Samdrup Jhonkar forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43804.

var. ovalifolia (Meissn.) Hara, Fl. East. Himal. 71, 1966. *Polygonum chinense* Linn. var. *ovalifolia* Meissn. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : 60, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 45, 1886.

Slender herb with pinkish white flowers, forming communities along forest fringes.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 26; Narfong, 1900 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao, 43261; on way to Samdrup Jhonkar from Narfong, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41938; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10504.

Persicaria pubescens (Bl.) Hara var. **acuminatum** (Franch. et Sav.) Hara in Journ. Jap. Bot. 17 : 335, 1941. *Polygonum flaccidum* Meissn. in DC. Prodr. 14 : 107, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 39, 1886.

Tall herb, creeping near the base; flowers minute, white. Common in shady moist places forming communities.

Birti, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1298; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 153; Paro, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

P. hydropiper (Linn.) Opiz, Seznam 72, 1852. *Polygonum hydropiper* Linn. Sp. Pl. 361, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 39, 1886.

Erect herb with minute pinkish flowers. Scattered in wet places.

Tashigong to Yangtsi, 1200 m, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41266; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

P. microcephala (D. Don) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Jahrb. 49 : 277, 1913. *Polygonum microcephalum* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 72, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 42, 1886.

Perennial herb, woody below; leaves often hastate; flowers small in axillary or subterminal heads. Rare in roadside shrubberies.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10324.

P. kawagoeana (Makino) Nakai in Rigakkai 24 : 300, 1926. *P. minus* Huds. sensu Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 36, 1886.

Small slender herb with minute pink flowers. Frequent on damp hill slopes.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 864; Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 937; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

P. orientale (Linn.) Vilm. Fl. Pl. Terre. ed. 2, 660. *Polygonum orientale* Linn. Sp. Pl. 362, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 30, 1886.

A tall annual with hollow stem; flowers white in long racemes. Common in wet places often in standing water, forming communities.

Gaylegphug 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 856; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1406.

Persicaria nepalensis (Meissn.) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Jahrb. 49 : 277, 1913. *Polygonum alatum* Buch.-Ham. ex Spreng. Syst. Veg. Cur. Post. 154, 1827; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 41, 1886.

Annual herb; stem creeping near base; leaves broadly winged at base; flowers very small, purple or pink or white in peduncled heads. Common in open damp places.

On road to Narfong, 24 km north of Deothong, 1600 m, A. S. Rao 43214; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 507; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 409; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5906 & 5472; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 244; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.; Ha Valley, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

P. perfoliata (Linn.) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Johrb. 49 : 275, 1913. *Polygonum perfoliatum* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 2) 521, 1763; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 46, 1886.

A rambling, prickly annual of wet places; leaves long petioled; flowers white or lilac.

Tashigong, hill slopes on to bank of Mithidanga river, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43977.

P. posumbu (D. Don) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Johrb. 49 : 313, 1913. *Polygonum posumbu* D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 71, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 38, 1886.

Slender flaccid annual, flowers small, white or pink; scattered on forest floor in small communities.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 891; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 65; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10493; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 206; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5361; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10367.

P. runcinata (Buch.-Ham.) H. Gross in Engl. Bot. Jahrb. 49 : 277, 1913.

Polygonum runcinatum Buch.-Ham. in D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 73, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 43, 1886.

Local name : Jongroma.

Slender annual, creeping at base; leaves runcinate-pinnatifid; flowers small, white or pink, in globose peduncled heads. Common on roadside and waste places.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1111; *Ibid.*, 1500 m, Nov. 1963, *Deb* 67; Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1173; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 201; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10436; Tashiyangtsi Track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44080.

P. sagittata (Linn.) H. Gross in Beib. Bot. Centralbl. 37 : 113, 1919. *Polygonum sagittatum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 363, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5; 47, 1886.

Prickly herb with sagittate base, flowers small, pink, in peduncled heads; occasional in open shrubberies.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5914 & 59494.

Persicaria virginiana (Linn.) Gaertn. Fruct. 2 : 180, 1791. *Polygonum virginianum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 361, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 31, 1886.

Tall shrub; stem stout, hollow; flowers red in long racemes. Rare. Dakpui, 1650 m. Nov. 1964, Deb 345.

Polygonum plebejum R. Br. Prodr. Fl. Nov. Holl. 420, 1810; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 27, 1886.

Diffusely branched, prostrate herb; flowers small, reddish, sunken in the stipules. Frequent on open ground.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964. *Sen Gupta* 1223 & 1294; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 394; Nangadzong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41858.

Tinctoria convolvulus (Linn.) Webb. & Moq. in Webb. & Berth. Phyt. Canar. 3 : 221, 1849. *Polygonum convolvulus* Linn. Sp. Pl. 364, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 53, 1886.

A twining herb with more or less hastate leaves; outer sepals of flowers enlarged in fruit and narrowly winged. Frequent in roadside shrubberies.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5965; Kheri Camp, 3 km to Tashigong, 1100 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43542.

T. dumetorum (Linn.) Opiz Sezman 98, 1852. *Polygonum dumetorum* Linn. Sp. Pl. 521, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 54, 1886.

Twining herb; leaves subhastate; pedicels of flowers very slender, outer perianth winged in fruit. Rare in the fringe of forest.

Gomchu, 2400 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43448.

Rheum acuminatum Hook. f. et Thoms. in Bot. Mag. t. 4877, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 57, 1886.

A stout herb with a leafy stem; flowers dark red in terminal, branched panicle. Cultivated.

Chi la pass, 3000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 737.

Rumex maritimus Linn. Sp. Pl. 1 : 335, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 59, 1886.

Annual herb; flowers very small, in panicles which are leafy to the top. A common weed of waste places.

Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

R. nepalensis Spreng. Syst. Veg. 2 : 159, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 60, 1886. Erect herb; radical leaves larger, oblong or triangular ovate; flowers

very small, in elongated racemes. A common weed in open situation. Leaf-paste is useful in eczema.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5966; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1261; Tashigong, 1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41197; Peme, Dongala Lhutsi Track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44459.

ARISTOLOCHIACEAE

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Aristolochia griffithii Hook. f. et Thoms. ex. Duchart. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 437, 1864; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 77, 1886.

A long climber, woolly or tomentose in younger parts; flowers axillary, tubular-jug-shaped, red and yellow; capsule cylindrical, up to 18 cm long, with ribs and furrows.

Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5379.

PIPERACEAE

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Peperomia pellucida (Linn.) H. B. & K. Nov. Gen. 1 : 64, 1815. *P. exigua* (Bl.) Miq. Syst. Pip. 77, 1843; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 97, 1886.

Small, succulent, epiphytic herb; leaves usually in whorls of 4; flowers very minute, in terminal spike.

Phuntsholing, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1134.

P. tetraphylla (G. Forst.) Hook. & Arn. Bot. Beech. Voy. 96, 1832. *P. reflexa* A. Dietr. Sp. Pl. 1 : 180, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 99, 1886.

A small, epiphyte with tufted, leafy stem; leaves 4 in a whorl, orbicular; flowers very minute, in short terminal spikes. Frequent.

Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 987; Sham Khara 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 11; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5317; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 393; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thorthathri* 10483; Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1205; Wamrung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43352; Jeri chu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43434.

Piper attenuatum Buch.-Ham. ex Miq. Syst. Pip. 306, 1843; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 92, 1886.

Local name : Chabo.

A rambling undershrub with stout flexuous branches; leaves suborbicular, 7-nerved from near the base; flowers minute, unisexual, female spike lengthening in fruit. Occasional.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 857; Chenari village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43230.

Piper diffusum Vahl Enum. 1 : 333, 1804; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 96, 1886.

A spreading shrub with scandent branches in roadside thickets. Occasional.

Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1305; Narfong, 1850 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43230.

P. hamiltonii Cas. DC. in Prodr. 16 : 359, 1869; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 88, 1886.

Scandent shrub; stem flexuous, rooting at the nodes below; leaves suborbicular, 5-7-nerved from above the base. Scarce.

Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1305.

P. hymenophyllum Miq. in Hook. Lond. Journ. Bot. 5 : 554, 1846; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 93, 1886.

A scandent shrub; leaves 2-3 nerved from the base; fruits red when ripe. Scarce in deep forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 893.

P. khasianum Cas. DC. in Prodr. 16 : 349, 1869; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 89, 1886.

Scandent shrub in shade of forests; leaves lanceolate, 5-nerved above the base. Frequent.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 118.

P. mullesua D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 20, 1825. *P. brachystachyum* Wall. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 87, 1886.

Much branched shrub with scandent branches; leaves 5-nerved from the base; fruiting spike subglobose. Scattered in the forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 849; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10394; Phuntsholing, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1121; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

P. nepalense Miq. Syst. Pip. 318, 1843; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 89, 1886.

Local name : Dakley chabo.

A scandent undershrub of the forests; fruiting spike about 15 cm long. Frequent.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 150; Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 983; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1270; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10263; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 210 & 254.

P. pedicellosum Wall. ex Cas. DC. in Prodr. 16 : 343, 1869; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 81, 1886.

A bushy shrub with stout scandent branches; leaves coriaceous, 5-7 nerved from the base; fruiting spike 2-3 cm long, stout. Occasional in out-skirts of forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1405; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* 5317.

Piper peepuloides Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 159, 1820; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 83, 1886.

A bushy shrub with slender scandent branches; spikes yellow-green, fruiting spike conico-cylindric. Common in shady rock crevices.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 836; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 117; near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1073; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10125; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 125.

P. thomsoni (Cas. DC.) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 87, 1886.

Local name : Rakatang.

Robust shrub with scandent branches; leaves 5-nerved from the base; fruiting spike subglobose, red when ripe; berries edible and officinal. Scattered in dense forest and in roadside thickets.

On way from Tama to Birti, 500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1194; *Gaylegphug*, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 119; *Ibid.*, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 894; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1392; *Ibid.*, May 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1424.

CHIORANTHACEAE

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Chloranthus officinalis Bl. Enum. Pl. Jav. 79, 1827; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 100, 1886.

Erect undershrub; flowers minute, male and female in pairs; berries small. Common as undergrowth in evergreen forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1407; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 170.

LAURACEAE

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Actinodaphne confertiflora Meissn. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 1 : 219, 1864 ; Fl.

Brit. Ind. 5 : 154, 1886.

Local name : Kalo Bori.

Middle sized tree with yellow flowers. Frequent in subtropical forests.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1080.

A. sikkimensis Meissn. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 1 : 213, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind.

5 : 147, 1886.

Local name : Rudilo.

A bushy plant with yellow flowers. Frequent in subtropical and temperate forests.

Sham Khara and Maorey forest, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1085.

- Beiliechmedia gammieana** King ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 124, 1886.
 A medium-sized tree with small flowers in very short panicles.
 Occasional in deep forests.
 Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 189.
- B. roxburghiana** Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 69, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 121, 1886.
 A small deciduous tree with woolly branches ; flowers small, in short panicles ; fruits oblong, about 5 cm long, purple. Common in dense tropical forests.
 Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 115.
- Cinnamomum obtusifolium** Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 73, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 128, 1886.
 Large trees with coriaceous leaves which are 3-nerved from base ; flowers small, in lax panicles. Frequent in subtropical or temperate forests.
 Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 173.
- Cryptocarya amygdalina** Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 69, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 118, 1886.
 Small much branched tree, with coriaceous leaves ; flowers very small, in much branched panicles. Occasional in the tropical forests.
 Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 142.
- Lindera heterophylla** Meissn. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 246, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 186, 1886.
 A small deciduous tree, branches flexuous ; leaves 3-lobed at the tip or entire ; flowers small, in umbels in axils of membranous deciduous bracts. Occasional in temperate forests.
 Dochu La, 3250 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1743.
- L. neesiana** (Nees) Kurz For. Fl. 2 : 309, 1877 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 186, 1886.
 Small tree with membranous, deciduous leaves, triple nerved at base ; flowers small, in umbels near the apex of shoots. Occasional in temperate forests.
- Litsaea chartacea** (Nees) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 170, 1886.
 Moderate sized tree ; leaves thinly coriaceous ; flowers small, in small umbels, unisexual. Occasional in tropical and subtropical forests.
 Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10606.
- L. cubeba** (Lour.) Pers. Syn. Pl. 2 : 4, 1806. **L. citrata** Bl. Bijdr. 565, 1825 ;
 Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 155, 1886.
Local name : Timur.

Small tree with citrus scented leaves ; flowers small, in umbels or corymbs, unisexual. Common in subtropical forests. Oil from seeds is used in muscular pains.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 920 ; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 50 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10510.

Litsaea kingii Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 156, 1886.

A bushy shrub or small tree with a spicy odour, deciduous ; flowers small, in spreading umbels. Rare.

Hill near Phuntsholing, 700 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 349.

L. lancifolia (Nees) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 159, 1886.

A small bushy tree with slender branches, and thin leaves. Occasional in subtropical forests.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 35.

L. salicifolia (Roxb. ex Nees) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 167, 1886.

var. *salicifolia*

Tall shrub, evergreen ; flowers very small, 4-6 in an umbel. Rare in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1883.

var. *attenuata* (Wall. ex Nees) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 168, 1886.

Leaves subdistichous, linear-oblong, acute. Rare.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1359.

Machilus gamblei King ex Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 138, 1886.

Small tree ; branches slender ; leaves thinly coriaceous. Rare.

Gomchu, opposite to workshop, 2450 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43340.

Persea odoratissima (Nees) Kosterm. in Journ. Sci. Res. 1 : 116, 1952.

Machilus odoratissima Nees in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 2 : 70, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 139, 1886.

A large tree ; flowers small, in axillary panicles. Frequent in subtropical forests.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 214 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Phoebe lanceolata Nees Syst. Lour. 109, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 141, 1886.

Small tree ; branches slender ; flowers small, pale yellow, in axillary panicles. Frequent in subtropical forests.

Tama, 1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1161 ; Birti, 700 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1310.

THYMELAEACEAE

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Daphne bholua Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 68, 1825. *D. cannabina* Wall. in As. Res. 13 : 315. t.8, 1820, p.p. ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 193, 1886.

A shrub with long branches and coriaceous leaves ; flowers purplish white, fragrant. Occasional in open forests.

Kanglung, 2500 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43469 ; Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

D. suriel W. W. Smith & Cave in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. 6 : 51, 1914.

Shrubs with coriaceous leaves and fragrant white flowers. Frequent in way side jungle.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 186 ; *Ibid.*, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

D. involucrata Wall. in As. Res. 13 : t. 6, 1820 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 193, 1886.

Shrubs with few branches ; flowers fragrant, flesh coloured ; berries red. Rare in roadside jungles.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 355.

Edgeworthia gardneri Meissn. in Denkschr. Regensb. Bot. Gesell. 3 : 280, 1841 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 195, 1886.

A large bushy shrub ; flowers yellow, densely crowded in axillary heads. Frequent in the fringe of forests.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 185 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

ELAEAGNACEAE

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Elaeagnus conferta Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 460, 1820. *E. latifolia* Linn. Sp. Pl. (ed. 2) : 77, 1762 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 202, 1886.

A short tree with shining silvery scales in younger parts as well as under surface of leaves ; flowers white ; berries edible. Occasional in subtemperate forests.

Chima Kothi, 1800 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

E. umbellata Thunb. Fl. Jap. 66, 1874 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 201, 1886.

Deciduous shrub ; leaves with silvery scales beneath ; flowers white, fragrant. Frequent in open forests.

Honshu, 2850 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Hippophae rhamnoides Linn. Sp. Pl. 1023, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 206, 1886.

A thorny shrub ; leaves linear-oblong, clothed beneath with shiny, circular scales ; flowers unisexual, very small ; fruit orange-yellow or scarlet. Abundant along watercourses on gravelly soil.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 925 ; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5844.

LORANTHACEAE.

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Dendrophthoe falcata (Linn.f.) Etting. in *Denkschr. Akad. Wiss. Math. Nat.*

Cl. 32 : 5', 1872. *Loranthus longiflorus* Desr. in *Hamk. Encycl.* 3 : 498, 1789 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 214, 1886.

Parasitic shrub ; flowers tubular, red. Frequent at lower elevations, and in plains.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 208.

Macrosolen cochinchinensis (Lour.) Van Teigh. in *Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr.* 41 : 122,

1895. *Loranthus globosus* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 206, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 220, 1896.

Parasitic shrub ; flowers orange-yellow. Frequent in tropical forests. Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 207.

M. psilanthus (Hook. f.) Dancer in *Blumea* 2 : 36, 1936. *Loranthus psilanthus*,

Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 222, 1886.

A parasite with red flowers. Frequent.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1550, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1098 ; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 33.

Scurrula parasitica Linn. Sp. Pl. 110, 1753. *Loranthus scurrula* Linn.

Sp. Pl. ed. 2, 1 : 472, 1762 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 208, 1886.

Local name : Ajiru.

A parasite with buff coloured flower. Common in tropical forests. Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 918 ; Betni, 1400 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1048 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 300 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1258 ; Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1258, 1048, 918.

S. pulverulenta (Wall.) G. Don Gen. Hist. 3 : 421, 1834. *Loranthus*

pulverulentus Wall. in Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 221, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 211, 1886.

Parasites ; branches rather stout ; flowers greenish. Frequent in subtropical forests.

Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10574.

Scurrula umbellifera (Schult.) G. Don Gen. Hist. 3 : 421, 1834 ; *Loranthus umbellifer* Schult. Syst. Veg. 7 : 97, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 211, 1886.
Parasite with rather stout branches ; corolla-tube curved.
Lumichawa, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Tolypanthus involucratus (Roxb.) Bl. in Schult.f. Syst. 7 : 1731, 1830.
Loranthus involucratus Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2 : 208, 1824 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 218, 1886.
Slender parasite ; corolla with straight tube and recurved lobes, pinkish green. Rare.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1422.

Viscum monoicum Roxb. ex DC. Prodr. 4 : 278, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 224, 1886.
Parasite with dichotomous branches ; flowers minute, unisexual.
Occasional.
Near Wamrung hill, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43565 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10529.

V. ovalifolium Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 4 : 278, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 225, 1886.
Bushy with dichotomous branches and coriaceous leaves. Occasional on the higher branches of trees.
Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1660 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1092 ; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

SANTALACEAE

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Henslowia granulata Hook. f. et Thoms. ex DC. Prodr. 14 : 632, 1857 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 232, 1886.
Parasites with stout branches ; flowers minute, unisexual, numerous.
Occasional on *Quercus* spp.
On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 270.

Osyris wightiana Wall. ex Wight Icon. t. 1853, 1852. *O. arborea* Wall. ex DC. Prodr. 14 : 633, 1857 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 232, 1886.
Tall shrubs with leathery leaves ; drupes very small, orange when ripe.
Frequent on roadside.
Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43503.

Pyularia edulis (Wall.) DC. Prodr. 14 : 628, 1857 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 230, 1886.

A thorny, deciduous shrub of the roadside ; flowers small, unisexual. Occasional.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 87 ; Chima Kothi, 2000 m, April 1964, Maheshwari s.n.

BALANOPHORACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Balanophora dioica Br. ex Royle Illus. Bot. Him. 330, 1836 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 237, 1886.

A low fleshy root parasite. Frequent in deep forests.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 87 ; road to Narfong, 10 km north of Deothong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43190 ; Narfong, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43239.

EUPHORBIACEAE

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Acalypha brachystachya Hornem. Hort. Hafn. 909, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 416, 1887.

Small flaccid herb ; flowers unisexual, very small. Rare in damp situation.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5881 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n. ; Lumichawa, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Antidesma acuminatum Wall. ex Wight Icon. 6 : t. 1991, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 363, 1887.

A large shrub with minute unisexual reddish flowers. Frequent.

Birti, 750 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1353 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1399.

A. diandrum (Roxb.) Hejue ex Roth Nov. Sp. 369, 1821 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 361, 1887.

A large bushy shrub ; flowers greenish yellow. Rare in the fringe of forests.

Birti, 650 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1301 ; on way to Deothong, 5 miles from Samdrup-Jhonkar, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43124.

Baccaurea sapida (Roxb.) Muell.-Arg. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 459, 1866 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 371, 1887.

Local name : Kusum.

Small tree with globose, yellow fruits.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1380.

Baliospermum calycinum Muell.-Arg. in Flora 47 : 470, 1864 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 462, 1887.

Local name : Kalpati.

A large shrub with fruits splitting into 3 globose cocci. Frequent in deep forests.

Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 996 ; Narsong, 1850 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43234.

B. corymbiferum Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 463, 1887.

A tall shrub with few slender branches ; fruits white. Frequent in deep forests.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 56 ; Mongerdezong, Balakrishnan 44637 & 44638.

Bischofia javanica Bl. Bijdr. 1168, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 345, 1887.

Middle sized decurrent tree with 3-foliate leaves ; fruits bluish black, fleshy, on long thickened pedicels. Occasional in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1419.

Bridelia montana Willd. Sp. Pl. 4 : 978, 1806 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 269, 1887.

A short tree ; leaves membranous, prominently veined ; fruits small. Rare along the foot hills.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 391.

B. retusa (Linn.) Spreng. Syst. Veg. 3 : 48, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 268, 1887.

Middle sized tree with fleshy fruits. Frequent in Pine forests.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 306 ; Dakpai 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 435 ; Kheri, 1000 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43478.

B. sikkimensis Gehrm. in Engl. Jahrb. 41 : Biebl. 95 : 34, 1908.

Local name : Lahara gaijo.

A twiner of subtropical forests, fruits black.

Near Betni khola, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1029.

B. tomentosa Bl. Bijdr. 597, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 271, 1887.

A small tree with slender branches ; fruit small, blue-black. Rare in the foot hills.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10420.

B. verrucosa Haines in Journ. Bot. 59 : 193, 1921.

A shrub in the forest fringes. Rare.

Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s. n.

Croton caudatus Geisel, Monogr. Croton 73, 1807 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 388, 1887.

Shrub with scurfily, stellately hairy branches ; fruit with 6 slender ridges. Frequent in lower altitude.

Birti, 600-750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1361 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1361 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s. n.

C. roxburghii Balak. in Bull. bot. Surv. India 3 : 39, 1961. *C. oblongifolius* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 685; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 386, 1887.

Small deciduous tree ; flowers small, yellow. Frequent in subtropical forests. Flowers are eaten by local people.

Tama, 1150 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1148 ; Birti, 650 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1305.

Emblema officinalis Gaertn. Fruct. 2.122, t. 108, 1804. *Phyllanthus emblica* Linn. Sp. Pl. 982, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 289, 1887.

Small tree with distichous leaves and greenish yellow fruits. Common in open forests at lower altitude and near human habitations. Fruits are edible and officinal.

Birti, 530 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1209 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 47.

Euphorbia hirta Linn. Sp. Pl. 454, 1753. *E. pilulifera* Linn. Amoen. Acad. 3 : 114, 1756 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 250, 1887.

Small prostrate weed, with milky latex. Common on open ground.

Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1220 ; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 413 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 362 ; *Ibid.*, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Punakha, 1000 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1220.

E. hypericifolia Linn. Hort. Cliff. 198, 1737 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 249, 1887.

Annual herb with ascending or decumbent stem ; leaves pale, obliquely oblong. Frequent in open places.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 322 ; Kheri, 1200 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43509 ; Punakha, 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

E. griffithii Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 259, 1887.

Tall glabrous herb with sessile, linear leaves ; flower clusters scarlet or orange-red. Frequent in the open in temperate regions.

Kanglung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43478 ; Honslue, 2850 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n. ; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5930.

E. sikkimensis Boiss. in DC. Prodr. 15: 113, 1866; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5: 259, 1887.

Tall herb with stout stem ; involucre hemispheric. Rare in open places. Thimpu, 2500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Glochidion assamicum (Muell.-Arg.) Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 319, 1887.

Local name : Haldi Kath.

A small tree ; leaves brownish-purple beneath ; flowers very small, yellow. Frequent in roadside jungles.

Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1184 ; Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1226 ; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1383.

G. oblatum Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 312, 1887.

A small tree with slender, leafy branches. Rare in the tropical forests. Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 107.

G. velutinum Wight Ic. t. 1907/2, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 322, 1887.

A short tree with orbicular-ovate leaves. Occasional in lower forests.

Puuakha, 1500 m Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

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Hemicicca glauca (Muell.-Arg.) Hurusawa et Ya. Tanaka in Har. Fl. East. Himal. 179, 1966. *Phyllanthus glaucus* Muell.-Arg. in Linnaea 32 : 14, 1863 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 57 : 288, 1887.

A much branched shrub with membranous leaves and purple globose berries. Occasional.

On way to Deothong, 505 km from Samdrup-Jhonkar, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43117.

Jatropha curcas Linn. Sp. Pl. 1006, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 383, 1887.

Small tree ; leaves long petioled, orbicular-cordate, 3-5 lobed or angled. Occasionally planted in villages at the foot hills.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 160.

Kirganellia reticulata (Poir.) Baill. Etud. Gen. Euph. 613, 1858. *Phyllanthus reticulatus* Poir., Encycl. 5 : 298, 1804 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 288, 1887.

A shrub with slender lenticellate branches. Frequent in roadside jungles at lower altitudes.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 921 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 49.

Macaranga denticulata Muell.-Arg. in DC. Prodr. 15 : 1000, 1866 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 446, 1887.

A small tree with deltoid ovate leaves ; capsules black with yellow waxy glands. Rare in subtropical forests.

Kamji 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 236.

Mallotus albus (Roxb.) Muell.-Arg. in Linnaea 34 : 188, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 429, 1887.

A small tree with stout branches ; younger parts and lower surface of

leaves, stellately or scurfily white or rusty tomentose ; fruits white. Rare in tropical forests.

Mallotus nepalensis Muell.-Arg. in Linnaea 34 : 188, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 428, 1887.

A small tree with stout branches ; fruit covered with short spines. Occasional in temperate forests.

On road to Gomchu, 21 km from Wamrang, 2300 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43391.

M philippinensis (Lamk.) Muell.-Arg. in Linnaea 34 : 196, 1865; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 442, 1887.

Local name : Sinduriya.

A small tree ; younger parts rusty and tawny pubescent ; leaves triple-nerved ; capsules covered with crimson powder. Common at the foot hills.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 804; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 290; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10349.

Ostodes paniculata Bl. Bijdr. 620, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 400, 1887.

Local name : Bepari.

A small tree with stout branches and white bark ; flowers pinkish white ; fruits globose, about 3 cm in diam. Fairly common in subtropical forests.

Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 985 ; Biru, 750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1328.

Phyllanthus clarkei Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 297, 1887.

Shrub with spreading stiff branches ; leaves obovate or obocordate. In deep forests under shade of trees.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 850 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10514.

P. griffithii Muell.-Arg. in Linnaea 32 : 27, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 294, 1887.

A much branched shrub ; flowers yellow. Frequent in open forest. Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1386 & 1388.

P. parvifolius Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 63, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 294, 1887.

Tall shrub with pale bark and slender branches ; leaves membranous, close and distichous; seeds minutely mottled with brown. Rare in tropical forests.

P. urinaria Linn. Sp. Pl. 982, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 293, 1887.

Small annual herb ; leaves distichous, stipules peltate. Occasional in shady places.

Kheri camp, 3 km to Tashigong, 1150 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 4396 ;
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 391.

Ricinus communis Linn. Sp. Pl. 1007, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 457, 1887.

Local name : Chamela.

Tall shrub with unbranched stem or a few long branches ; leaves large, palmately 7-many lobed ; capsules globosely oblong, echinate ; seeds oblong, smooth, mottled. Planted and self sown on roadside near villages.

Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 31 ; Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1185.

Sapium sebiferum Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 693, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 470, 1888.

Small tree with long petioled, subrhomboid leaves which are glaucous beneath. Rare in the area.

Punakha, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

Sauv. opus androgynous (Bl.) Merr. in For. Bur. Philipp. 30, 1903. *S. albicans* Bl. Bijdr. 596, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 332, 1887.

A spinous undershrub ; branches near the apex of a slender stem ; flowers greenish red. Frequent in deep forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, Sen Gupta 821; Ibid., Nov. 1964, Deb 113.

Securinega virosa (Roxb. ex Willd.) Pax et Hoffm. in Pflanzenfam. ed. 2. 19 c : 60, 1931. *Flueggea microcarpa* Bl. Bijdr. 580, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 328, 1887.

Local name : Sersingma.

A small deciduous tree ; flowers small, in dense fascicles, bracts minute, crowded.

Birti, 650 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1201.

BUXACEAE

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Sarcococca wallichii Stapf in Kew Bull. 1916 : 37, 1916. *S. pruiniformis* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 266, 1887 p.p. non Lindl.

Shrubs with green branches ; leaves coriaceous, ovate-lanceolate ; flowers small, yellow. Occasional in open situations.

Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, Thathathri s.n.

DAPHNIPHYLLOMACEAE

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Daphniphyllum bengalense Rosenth. in Eng. Pflanzenr. Daphniphyll. 4: 147 a

II, 1919. *D. himalayense* Muell.-Arg. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 4, 1869
p.p.; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 354, 1887 p.p.

Small tree.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964. *Sen Gupta* 1229.

Daphniphyllum himalayense Muell.-Arg. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 4, 1869 ; Fl. Brit.
Ind. 5 : 354, 1887 p.p.

Small tree; branches grooved; leaves lanceolate, papillose beneath; fruit crowned with persistent stigma.

Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 386.

CANNABACEAE

Cannabis sativa Linn. Sp. Pl. 1027, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 487, 1888.

Herb with digitate leaves. Common in open places. Leaves and tender parts of the plants are used as narcotics.

Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1195 ; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964,
Deb 343; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5814; Honshu, 2850 m, Aug.
1965, *Sen Gupta* 1195.

MORACEAE

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Allaeanthus kurzii Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 490, 1888.

Climber with globose fruit. Rare.

Gaylegphug, 270 m. April 1964. *Sen Gupta* 1396.

Conocephalus suaveolens Bl. Bijdr. 483, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 545, 1888.

Local name : Kholabor.

A gigantic climber.

Near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963. *Sen Gupta* 1072.

Ficus auriculata Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 666, 1790. *F. roxburghii* Wall. ex
Miq. in Ann. Mus. Lugd. Bat. 3 : 296, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 534,
1885.

Local name : Newara.

Middle-sized tree with edible fruits.

Near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963. *Sen Gupta* 1067.

F. ischnopoda Miq. in Ann. Mus. Lugd. Bat. 3 : 229, 1867. *F. pyriformis*
Hook. & Arn. var. *ischnopoda* (Miq.) King in Ann. Roy. Bot. Gard.

Calc. 1 : 158, 1888 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 533, 1888.

Small tree by the riverside.

Tama, 1400 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 314.

***Ficus pubigera* (Wall. ex Miq.) Miq. var. *maliformis* (King) Corner in Gard.**

Bull. 18 : 6, 1960. *F. foreolata* Wall. ex Miq. var. *maliformis* King et var. *oleiformis* King in Ann. Roy. Bot. Gard. Calc. I : 134, 1888 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 528, 1888.

Stout woody climber.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 89.

***F. subincisa* Sm. in Rees Cyclop. 14, n. 91, 1810. *F. clavata* Wall. ex Miq.**

in Lond. Journ. Bot. 7 : 431, 1848 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 520, 1888.

Shrub.

Dakpui, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 439.

***F. benghalensis* Linn. Hort. Cliff. 471, 1737 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 499, 1888.**

A large spreading tree with prop roots coming from the main branches. Occasional at the foot hills.

Fnunicheling, Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 376.

***F. cunia* Buch.-Ham. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 561, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 523, 1888.**

Short sized tree ; leaves oblique at base. Frequent at lower altitude. Punakha, 1000 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta s.n.

***F. hederacea* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 538, 1832. *F. scandens* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 536, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 526, 1888.**

Scendent or climbing by rooting stem and branches ; receptacles axillary, long peduncled.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10593.

***F. hispida* Linn.f. Suppl. Pl. 442, 1781 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 522, 1888.**

Short sized tree. Frequent at the foot hills.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10640.

***Morus australis* Poir. in Lamk. Encycl. Meth 4 : 380, 1797. *M. indica* Linn.**

Sp. Pl. 986, 1753 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 492, 1888.

Shrub with shining crimson edible fruits, in shade.

Tama, 1200 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1141.

URTIACEAE

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***Boehmeria hamiltoniana* Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4 : 199, 1854; Fl.**

Brit. Ind. 5 : 579, 1888.

Local name : Kamley ; Chipley.

Shrub. A fodder plant.

Betni, 1350-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1041 & 1069 ; G. E. Camp, 1710 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43574 ; Kimji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 265.

Boehmeria macrophylla D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 60, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 577, 1888.

Local name : Chipley.

Shrub frequently over hanging river banks.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 832 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10590 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1965, *Subba Rao* 94.

* **B. platyphylla** D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 60, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 578, 1888 p.p.

A small shrub with soft branches.

From Samdrup Jhonkar to Deothong, August 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43118 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10327 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1965, *Subba Rao* 56.

B. platyphylla D. Don var. **macrostachya** Brandis For. Fl. Ind. 403, 1874.

B. platyphylla Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 578, 1888 p.p.

Shrub, 1.3 m, tall. An undergrowth in tropical forests.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 168.

B. polystachya Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4 : 200, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 579, 1888.

Tall shrub with red flowers, an undergrowth in deep forests.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 956 ; Paro, 2000 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5909.

B. sidaefolia Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4 : 203, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 576, 1888.

Shrub with soft stem and minute flowers.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1365 ; Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10456.

Chamabainia cuspidata Wight Econ. t. 1981, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 580, 1888.

A slender diffuse herb with 3-nerved leaves ; stipules, conspicuous, enclosing ten flower clusters. Occasional in damp places.

Krishnagiri Saddle, on road from Narfong to Wamrung, 2100 m, Sept. 1965, *Rao* 43228.

Debregeasia longifolia (Burm.) Wedd. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 235, 1869. *D. velutina* Gaud. Bot. Bonite. Voy. t. 90, 1842-43 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 590, 1888.

Local name : Tusare (Nep.).

Tall shrub to small tree with green flowers and orange yellow fruits.
Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 965 ; Birti, 600-900 m,
April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1331 ; Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 317 ; Dorokha,
1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10526.

Elatostema cornutum Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 316, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 574,
1888.

Slender creeping herb with flaccid stem. Occasional in damp situation.
Phuntsholing, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

E. hookerianum Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 309, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 567, 1888.

A trailing or creeping herb ; leaves falcate, up to 18 cm long. Frequent
in shady roadside juncles.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ; Kamji, 1000 m,
Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 222.

E. rupestre Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 304, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 564, 1888.

Herb with stout ascending stem ; leaves up to 12 cm long, obliquely
and narrowly elliptic. Occasional on shady hill-side.

Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

E. lineolatum Wight Icon. t. 1984, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 565, 1888.

Local name : Chhotey gaglota (Nep.).

Small undershrub with white flowers. In shade as an undergrowth.

Near Betni Khola, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1046 ; Birti, 600-700 m,
April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1307 ; Phuntsholing, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n. ;
Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10419.

E. platyphyllum Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 301, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 566,
1888.

Local name : Gaglata.

Undershrub with minute flowers. Used as vegetable.

Batase, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1016 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m,
Nov. 1964, *Deb* 225 ; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10589.

E. sesquifolium Hassk. Cat. Hort. Bogor. 79, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 564,
1888.

Narfong, 2 km north along the stream bank down the hill, 1510 m,
Aug. 1965, *Rao* 43255.

E. surculosum Wight Icon. t. 2091, f. 4. 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 572, 1888.

From Deothong to Narfong, 1260 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43202 ;
from Wamrung to Gomchu, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43369,

Girardinia palmata (Forsk.) Gaud. in Freyc. Voy. Bot. 498, 1830; *G. heterophylla* Decne. in Jacquem. Voy. Bot. 4 : 151, t. 153, 1844; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 550, 1888.

Local name : Bhyangrey shishni.

Shrub armed with weak stinging prickles.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 953; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 42; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, April 1964, *Maheshwari* s.n.

Laportea crenulata Gaud. Freyc. Voy. Bot. 498, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 550, 1888.

Local name : Morengey.

Shrub with stinging hairs and milky white fruits. } Frequent near the foot hills.

Near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1063; Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963 *Thothathri* 1064; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 109.

Lecanthus peduncularis (Royle) Wedd. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 164, 1869; *wightii* Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4: 187, 1854; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 559, 1888.

Succulent creeping herb with minute flowers on forest floor.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 949; *Ibid.*, 1500-1800 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 995; Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 41; Deothong to Narfong, 1260 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43185.

Pilea anisophylla Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 193, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 552, 1888.

A small sparingly branched undershrub. Rare.

Kheri, 1050 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43513.

P. bracteosa Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 245, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 555, 1888.

Herbaceous plants, woody near base; peduncles, slender. Occasional. Deothong to Narfong, 1260 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43198.

P. insolens Wedd. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 118, 1869; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 552, 1888.

Small glabrous herb; leaves of 2 kinds, larger long-petioled, smaller sessile. Rare.

Kanglung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43549.

P. scripta (Ham.) Wedd. Monogr. Urt. 222, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 556, 1888.

Local name : Sheta gaglata (Nep.).

Small herb with minute greenish-white flowers. Frequent on hill slope.

Betni, 1400 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1035 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 97.

Pilea smilacifolia Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4 : 186, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 553, 1888.

Suffruticose herb with robust stem, woody and many-angled below. Frequent.

On road from Samdrup Jhonkar to Dechhong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43129 ; on road from Deothong to Narfong, 1260 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43197.

P. symmeria Wedd., Monogr. Urt. 246, 1856 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 554, 1888.

Succulent herb. Occasional on outskirts of the forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 900.

P. umbrosa Wedd. in Ann. Sci. Nat. Ser. 4 : 187, 1854 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 556,

Narfong, 1710 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43252 ; Dochu La, 3100 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Pouzolzia hirta Hassk. Cat. Hort. Bogor. 80, 1844 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 586, 1888.

Creeping herb with minute flowers. Common.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 934 ; Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1117 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 227 ; Chenari village, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43163.

P. viminea Wedd. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 228, 1869 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 581, 1888.

Erect herb. Scattered in dense forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 830 ; Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1121 & 1123 ; 10 km on road from Samdrup Jhonkar to Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43126 ; beyond Chenari village near Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43152 ; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 90 ; Punakha 1500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

P. viminea Wedd. var. *fulgens* Wedd. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 229, 1869 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 581, 1888.

Herbs with leaves white beneath.

From Deothong to Narfong, 1050 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43166.

P. zeylanica (Linn.) J. Bennett et Brown Pl. Jav. Rar. 67, 1838. *P. indica*

Gaudich. Voy. Bot. 503, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 581, 1888.

Prostrate and ascending herb, hoary pubescent. Frequent in shady places.

Paro, 2000 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

Urtica parviflora Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 581, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 548, 1888.

Local names : Hariya shishnu, Phusrey shishnu.

Stout herbs with perennial base and stinging prickles. Locally widespread. Decoction of roots is given in dog bites.

Sureylakha, 1200-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 971; near Berni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1077 & 1078; Sham Kharo, 1500 m. Nov. 1964, *Deb* 15; Lumichawa, 2500 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* s.n.

JUGLANDACEAE

G. SEN GUPTA

Engelhardtia spicata Leschen. ex Bl. Bijdr. 528, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 595, 1888.

Local name : Mawa.

A medium sized tree ; flowers unisexual, in separate pendulous spikes, bracts of female spikes persistent and adnose to fruits. Scattered on hill-slopes.

On way from Shemgang to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964. *Sen Gupta* 1289 ; Sham Kharo, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 1.

E. acerifolia Bl. Fl. Jav. Jugland. 11, 1835 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 596, 1888.

Large tree with pendulous fruiting spikes with persistent bracts adnose to the fruits.

On way from Tama to Birti, 600 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1190.

MYRICACEAE

Myrica esculenta Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 56, 1825. *M. nagi*

Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 597, 1888 p.p. non Thunb.

A short evergreen tree with oblanceolate leaves which have resinous glands beneath ; fruit globose, succulent, granular. An occasional tree with edible fruits.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 278.

FAGACEAE

S. N. BISWAS

Castanopsis indica (Roxb.) DC. in Seem. Journ. Bot. 1 : 182, 1863 ; Fl.

Brit. Ind. 5 : 620, 1888.

Medium sized to tall evergreen trees ; branchlets rufous tomentose ; leaves ovate-oblong, coarsely serrate in the upper portion ; inflorescence

rufous tomentose ; involucres densely covered with straight, simple, long, subulate, adpressed-pubescent prickles.

Dhoan khola, Samchi, 429 m, Dec. 1963, *Thorthathri* 10426 ; Tama, 1500-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 302; Manas Camp 600 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 455.

***Castanopsis tribuloides* (Sm.) DC.** in Seem. Journ. Bot. I : 182, 1863 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 622, 1888.

Small evergreen trees ; branchlets glabrous ; leaves lanceolate to oblong acuminate, distantly serrate ; involucres ovoid rufous tomentose bearing numerous simple and branched, slightly flattened, stout, curved pubescent spines. Abundant.

Shemgang, 2000 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 397.

***C. hystrix* DC.** in Seem. Journ. Bot. I : 182, 1863 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5: 620, 1888.

Tall evergreen trees ; branchlets glabrous ; leaves coriaceous, lanceolate to oblong-lanceolate, remotely serrate in the upper portion ; ripe involucres more or less four angled, covered with simple and branched spines.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1228.

***Lithocarpus chittagonga* (King) Merrill** in Brittonia 4 : 39, 1941. *Quercus spicata* Sm. var. *chittagonga* King ex Hook.f. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 610, 1888.

Small trees ; leaves narrowly lanceolate, entire and glabrous, much narrowed to the base ; female spike erect ; cupule minutely tuberculate.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1266.

***L. grandifolius* (D. Don) S. N. Biswas** var. *gracilipes* (Miq.) S. N. Biswas in Bull. bot. Surv. India 10 : 259, 1968 ; *Quercus spicata* Sm. var. *gracilipes* (Miq.) Miq. ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 610, 1888.

Tall trees, sparingly branched ; leaves oblanceolate to oblong, glabrous ; cupules prominently tuberculate.

Sureylakha, 1350-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 954.

***L. fenestratus* (Roxb.) Rehder** in Journ. Arn. Arbor. I : 126, 1919. *Quercus fenestrata* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 633, 1832 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 608, 1888.

Moderate-sized to tall evergreen trees ; leaves narrowly oblanceolate to elliptic-lanceolate, entire, coriaceous ; female spike stiff erect and pubescent ; cupular scales rufous-pubescent.

Sham Khara, 1650-1850 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1096.

***L. dealbatus* (Hook.f. et Thoms. ex Miq.) Rehder** in Journ. Arn. Arbor. I : 124-25, 1919. *Quercus dealbata* Hook. f. et Thoms. ex Miq. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 609, 1888.

Small to middle-sized tree. Leaves elliptic ovate ~~or~~ lanceolate, entire, coriaceous. Cupule striate tubercled.

Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m. Nov. 1964, Deb 274.

Quercus griffithii Hook.f. et Thoms. ex DC. Prodr. 16 : 14, 1864; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 602, 1888.

Moderate-sized to tall deciduous trees with spreading branches: leaves obovate-oblong to oblanceolate, sinuate dentate; cupule hemispherical; scales closely adpressed. Common.

Tama, 1500-1650 m. April 1964, Sen Gupta 1178; Shemgang, 2000 m. April 1964, Sen Gupta 1234; Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m. Nov. 1964, Deb 273.

Q. pachyphylla Kurz in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 2 : 197, t. 14, 1875; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 608, 1888.

Medium-sized to tall evergreen trees: leaves oblong-lanceolate to elliptic acuminate, entire; fruiting spike stout, erect; ripe cupule woody, hemispherical, lower rows of scales completely fused together.

Rani Camp, 1650 m. Nov. 1964, Deb 197 & 223.

GYMNOSPERMS

TAXACEAE

S. K. MUKERJEE

Taxus baccata Linn. Sp. Pl. 1040, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 648, 1888.

Bepa, 2500 m. Oct. 1965, Balakrishnan 44377.

PINACEAE

Picea smithiana (Wall.) Boiss. Fl. Orient. 5 : 700, 1884. *P. morinda* Link.

in Linnaea 15 : 522, 1841; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 653, 1888.

Paro, 2500 m. Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5962.

Pinus wallichiana A. B. Jackson in Kew Bull. 1938 : 85, 1938. *P. excelsa*

Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 3 : t. 201, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 651, 1888.

East of Mongerdzong, 2000 m. Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44654; Gomchu, 2200 m. Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43473; Paro, 2500 m. Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5961.

Tsuga dumosa (D. Don) Eichler in Eng. & Prantl. Nat. Pflanzenf. 2 : 80, 1889. *T. brunoniana* Carr. Traite Conif. 188, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind.

5 : 654, 1888.

Tobrang, 2000 m. March 1965, Balakrishnan 41458.

CUPRESSACEAE

Cupressus funebris Endl. Conif. 58, 1847 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 646, 1888.
Shali, 2500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41300.

C. torulosa D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 55, 1825 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 645, 1888.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5884 ; Shali, March 1965,
Balakrishnan 41301.

Juniperus wallichiana Hook.f. ex Parl. in DC. Prodr. 16 : 482, 1868.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5891.

GNETACEAE

Gnetum montanum Margkr. in Bull. Jard. Bot. Buitenz. 10, 1930.
A huge liana of the tropical forests.
Bhuntsholing, May 1964, *Maheshwari* 5354.

MONOCOTYLEDONS

ORCHIDACEAE

A. S. RAO AND N. P. BALAKRISHNAN

Acampe longifolia Lindl. Fol. Orch. 1, 1852. *Saccolabium longifolium*
Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 62, 1890 ; King & Pantling in Ann. R. Bot.
Gard. Calc. 8 : 220, t. 292, 1898.
Tashigong, Tashiyangtsi Track, 4 km from Shergaon towards Shali,
1200 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41293.

Acrochaena punctata Lindl. Fol. Orch. 1, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 783, 1890 ;
King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 153, t. 209, 1898.
Flowered under cultivation in Shillong.
Bhutan, no precise locality, *Balakrishnan* 43018.

Aerides vandarum Reichb. f. in Gard. Chron. 997, 1867 ; Fl. Brit. Ind.
6 : 44, 1890.
On way to Monger from Pakchang, Lhuntoi-Monger track, Nov.
1965, *Balakrishnan* 44597.

Agrostophyllum brevipes King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 156, t. 213, 1898.
Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1965, *Subba Rao* 399.

A. callosum Reichb. f. in Seemann Fl. Vit. 296, 1868 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 824,
1890 ; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 155, 1898.

Shali, between Tashigong and Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41994; between Shali and Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41244.

Anthogonium gracile Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 426, 1840; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 822, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 96, t. 134, 1898.

Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44172; Sept. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43366.

Arachnis clarkei (Reichb.f.) J. J. Sm. in Nat. Tydschr. Ned. Ind. 72 : 76, 1912. *Arachnantea clarkei* Rolf. in Gard. Chron. 2 : 567, 1888; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 28, 1890.

Nyoth, northwest of Shali on way to Tashiyangtsi, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41325; way to Tashigong from Bagengla, 2000 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44683.

Arundina graminifolia (D. Don) Hochr. Bull. N. Y. Bot. Gard. 6 : 270, 1910. *A. bambusifolia* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 125, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 857, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 113, t. 156, 1898.

Tama, 1450 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 292; way to Tashigong from Monger, 2000 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44678.

Ascocentrum micranthum (Lindl.) Holtt. Gard. Bull. 11 : 275, 1947. *Saccolabium micranthum* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 220, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 59, 1890. *Cleistostoma micrantha* (Lindl.) King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 231, t. 132, 1898.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 903.

Bulbophyllum affine Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 48, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 756, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 67, 1898.
4 km east of Mongerdzong, 2000 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44655.

B. amplifolium (Rolfe) Balak. et Chowdhury in Bull. bot. Surv. India 9 : 89, 1967. *Cirrhopetalum amplifolium* Rolfe in Notes R. Bot. Gard. Edinb. 8 : 21, t. 10, 1913.
Nyoth, 1800 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44192.

B. brachypodium Rao et Balak. in Bull. bot. Surv. India 10 : 350, 1968.
Cirrhopetalum brevipes Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 777, 1890 (non *B. brevipes* Ridley 1903).
Tashiyangti, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44298.

var. **parviflorum** Rao et Balak. l.c. 1969.
Gumdrithang, 2000 m, Mar. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43004.

Bulbophyllum candidum Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 770, 1890.
Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41999.

B. cylindraceum Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 53, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 765, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 70, t. 96, 1898.
On way to Tashiyangtsi near Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43006.

B. careyanum Spr. Syst. Veg. 3 : 732, 1826 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 760, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 71, t. 97, 1898.
Dorokha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10501.

B. densiflorum Rolfe in Kew Bull. 139, 1892.
Nyoth, 1800 m, March 1865, *Balakrishnan* 41998.

B. cublepharum Reichb. f. in Walp. Ann. 6 : 252, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 764, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 78, t. 108, 1898.
On way to Tashigong, 6 km east of Mongerdzong, 2000 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43052 ; on road to Wamrung, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao, 43312.

B. griffithii Reichb. f. in Walp. Ann. 6 : 247, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 756, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 66, t. 147, 1898.
Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44201.

B. leopardinum (Wall.) Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 48, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 756, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 67, t. 92, 1898.
Nyoth forest, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41995.

var. **tuberculatum** Balak. et Chowdhury in Bull. bot. Surv. India 9 : 90, 1968.
Nyoth, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41971.

B. odoratissimum (Sm.) Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 55, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 758, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 79, t. 109, 1898.
Local name : Chhotey sunakhari.
Betni, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1231 ; on way to Nyoth from Shali, 1500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41984.

B. reptans Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 51, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 768, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 77, t. 106, 1898.
Near Narfong, 1900 m, Sept. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 41139 ; 8 km from Shali to Nyoth, 1500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41348 ; Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1231.

Bulbophyllum striatum Reichb. f. in Walp. Ann. 6 : 37, 1865 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 755, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 75, t. 102, 1898.
Tashiyangtsi track, Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44179.

B. thomsoni Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 764, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 83, t. 116, 1898.
Nyalandong, Dongla-Lhunshi track, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44498.

Calanthe biloba Lindl. Fol. Orch. 3, 1852 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 848, 1890.
On way to Tama from Rani Camp, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 235.

C. manni Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 850, 1890.
On way to Nyoth, 2 km from Shali, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41972 ; Tobrang forest, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41465.

C. masica (Don) Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 249, 1833 : 11. Brit. Ind. 5 : 850, 1890. *Bletia masica* Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 30, 1825.
Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 345.

C. plantaginea Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 250, 1833 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 853, 1890.
Between Shali and Nyoth, 1500 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41310 ; Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 92.

C. puberula Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 352, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 848, 1890.
Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964. *Deb* 405.

C. whiteana King & Pantling in Journ. Asiatic Soc. Beng. 65 : 121, 1895.
Birti, 750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1346.

Chrysoglossum erraticum Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 784, 1890.
Near Tobrang, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41992.

Cirrhopetalum maculosum Lindl. in Bot. Reg. 81, 1841 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 776, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 95, t. 132, 1898.
Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43032.

C. refractum Zoll. in Flora 457, 1847 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 779, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 87, t. 119, 1898.
Sureylakha, 1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1003, Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 275.

C. wallichii Lindl. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 53, t. 67, 1829 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 776, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 88, t. 121, 1898.

Road to Tashigong, 9 km from Narfong, 1700 m, Oct. 1965,
Balakrishnan 43897; Bepa, on way to Dongla, 1500 m, Oct. 1965,
Balakrishnan 44361.

Coelogyné barbata Griff. Notal. 3 : 280, 1851 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 839, 1890.
 Nyoth, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43016.

C. corymbosa Lindl. Fol. Orch. 7, 1855 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 831, 1890 ; King &
 Pantling I.c. 8 : 134, t. 185, 1898.
 Narfong, 1720 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41964.

C. ovalis Lindl. in Bot. Reg. 91, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 836, 1890 ; King
 & Pantling I.c. 8 : 135, t. 187, 1898. *C. fimbriata* Lindl. in Bot. Reg.
 92, 1838 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 836, 1890.
 Road to Tashigong, 3 km north east of Narfong, 1800 m, March 1965,
Balakrishnan 43007.

C. fuscescens Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 41, 1830 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 833, 1890 ;
 King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 132, t. 181, 1898.
Local name : Sunakhori.

Near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1061 ; on way to
 Tama from Rani Camp, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 244 ; Manas Camp,
 750 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 457 ; Dorokha, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri*
 10503.

C. gardneriana Lindl. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. 1 : 33, t. 38, 1829 ; Fl. Brit.
 Ind. 5 : 828, 1890.
Local name : Phasrey sunakhari.
 Near Betni Bridge, 1950 m, Dec. 1063, *Sen Gupta* 1075.

C. longipes Lindl. Fol. Orch. 10, 1859 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 839, 1890 ; King
 & Pantling I.c. 8 : 136, t. 189, 1898.
 Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41981 ; Rani Camp,
 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 100.

C. occultata Hook.f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 832, 1890 ; King & Pantling I.c.
 8 : 135, t. 186, 1898.
 Road to Tashigong, near Narfong, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan*
 41986.

C. ochracea Lindl. Bot. Reg. 69, 1846 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 831, 1890 ; King &
 Pantling I.c. 8 : 132, t. 182, 1898.
 Between Deothong and Narfong, 1800 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan*
 43042 ; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10562.

Coelogyne prolifera Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 40, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 838, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 137, t. 190, 1898.
Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41980.

Cryptochilus lutea Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 20, 1858; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 827, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 163, t. 271, 1898.
Tashiyangtsi forest, on way to Bepa, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44314.

C. sanguinea Wall. Tent. Fl. Nepal. 36, t. 26, 1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 827, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 163, t. 220, 1898.

Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44158; Narfong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41985.

Cymbidium cyperifolium Wall. ex Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 163, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 13, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 186, t. 248, 1890.
Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 416.

C. giganteum Wall. ex Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 163, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 12, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 191, t. 155, 1898.

On the way to Monger from Pakchang, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44587; Dorokha forest, 700 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10643.

C. grandiflorum Griff. Icon. Pl. As. t. 321, 1847; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 12, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 192, t. 256, 1898.
Near Narfong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41147.

C. lancifolium Hook. f. Exot. Fl. t. 51, 1823; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 9, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 185, t. 247, 1898.
On way to Tobraung from Gunadrithang, *Balakrishnan* 41982.

C. longifolium D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 36, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 13, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 191, t. 154, 1898.

Laurijampa near Tobraung, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43012; Monger forest, 1500 m, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44642.

Cyperorchis elegans (Lindl.) Bl. Rumphia 4 : 47, 1836; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 14, 1890. *Cymbidium elegans* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 163, 1832.

Down the hill from Perna towards Lhuntsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43017; 5 km from Tobraung towards Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41474.

C. mastersii (Griff. ex Lindl.) Benth. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 18 : 318, 1881; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 15, 1890.
Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 232.

- Dendrobium** agg. **legatum** Roxb. var. **jenkinsii** (Lindl.) King & Pantling
I.c. 8 : 60, t. 85, 1896.
Samdrup Jhoakar, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41959.
- D. amoenum** Wall. ex Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 78, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 738, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 60, t. 85, 1892.
On way from Shemgang to Birti, 1000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1292.
- D. anceps** Sw. in Act. Holm. 246, 1800; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 724, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 42, t. 54, 1898.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 180.
- D. candidum** Wall. in Lindl. Bot. Reg. 54, 1838; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 735, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 49, t. 68, 1998. *D. spathaceum* Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 15, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 737, 1890.
Gongo, south of Tashiyangtsi, 2100 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41968.
- D. chrysanthum** Wall. ex Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 80, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 747, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 55, t. 77, 1898.
Road to Tashigong, 16 km up from Deothong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43011.
- D. densiflorum** Wall. ex Lindl. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 34, t. 40, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 748, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 56, t. 79, 1898.
Gongo, south of Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43046.
- D. eriaefferum** Griff. Notul. 3 : 316, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 715, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 44, t. 61, 1898.
8 km S.E. of Shali towards Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41347; on way to Nyoth from Shali, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44137.
- D. falconeri** Hook. f. Bot. Mag. t. 4944, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 742, 1890.
Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1263; on way to Nyoth, 8 km from Shali, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41346; on way to Tashigong, Narfong 50 km from Deothong, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41983.
- D. fimbriatum** Hook. Exot. Fl. t. 71, 1823 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 745, 1890.
On way to Birti from Tama, 1000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1293.
- var. **oculata** Hook. f. Bot. Mag. t. 4160, 1856; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 745, 1890;
King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 58, t. 82, 1898.
On way to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43047.

Dendrobium heterocarpum Wall. in Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 78, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 737, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 51, t. 74, 1898.
Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1257A.

D. hookerianum Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 8, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 745, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 59, t. 83, 1898.

Narfong, 1800 m, July 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43232; on way to Gonga from Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43001 & 41488; on road to Nyoth, 8 km from Shali, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41345; Nyoth, 1000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44143.

D. longicornu Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 80, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 720, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 46, t. 64, 1898.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1257; Dakpai, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 382; Nyoth, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44221.

D. nobile Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 24, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 740, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 51, t. 71, 1898.

Shali, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41970.

D. pauciflorum King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 54, t. 76, 1898.

Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41977.

D. pierardi Roxb. in Hook. Exot. Fl. t. 9, 1822; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 738, 1890; King & Pantling 8 : 51, t. 72, 1898.

Samdrup Jhonkar, 1000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41960 & 43045.

D. stuposum Lindl. in Bot. Reg. Misc. 52, 1838. *D. sphegiodoglossum* Reichb.

f. in Bonpl. 2 : 58, 1852; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 737, 1890.

Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43043.

Doritis taenialis (Lindl.) Benth. in Gen. Pl. 3 : 574, 1883; Fl. Brit. Ind.

6 : 31, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 199, t. 266, 1898.

Towards Tobraung, 5 km from Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41391; Shali, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44111.

Epigenium fargesii (Finet) Gagnep. in Bull. Mus. Nat. Hist. Natur. (Ser. 2):

4 : 595, 1932. *Dendrobium fargesii* Finet in Bull. Soc. Bot. Fr. 50 : 374,

t. 7, 1903.

Narfong, 1775 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43013.

Eria alba Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 67, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 795, 1890.

On way to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41967.

- Eria carinata** Gibson in Cal. Journ. Nat. Hist. 5 : 365, 1845; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 808, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 129, t. 179, 1898.
3 km east of Mongerdzong, Nov. 1956, *Balakrishnan* 44651.
- E. clausa** King & Pantling in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 65 : 121, 1897 et I.c. 8 : 121, t. 167, 1890.
Without precise locality, *Balakrishnan* 43029.
- E. confusa** Hook. f. Ic. Pl. t. 1850, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 796, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 122, 1898.
Local name : Mem.
Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1171.
- E. coronaria** (Lindl.) Reichb. f. in Walpers Ann. 6 : 272, 1865. *Trichosma suavis* Lindl. Bot. Reg. 83, 1841; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 827, 1890.
Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43023; *Ibid.*, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44219; Shemgang, 1950 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 419.
- E. graminifolia** Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 54, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 794, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 119, t. 164, 1898.
Between Tashiyangtsi and Tobrang, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41991; between Nyoth and Tashiyangtsi, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44256.
- Eulophia hormusji** Duthie in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 9 : 125, 1906.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 42.
- E. merguensis** Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 52, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 791, 1890.
Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1265.
- E. muscicola** Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 47, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 789, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 117, t. 159, 1898.
Nyoth, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44223.
- E. stricta** Lindl. Coll. Bot. t. 41, 1821; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 791, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 125, t. 173, 1898.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 901.
- Galeola kuhlii** (Reichb. f.) Reichb. f. Xen. Orch. 2 : 78, 1865. *G. hydra* Reichb. f. Xen. Orch. 2 : 77, 1865; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 89, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 264, t. 351, 1898.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1410.

Gastrochilus acutifolius (Lindl.) O. Ktz. Rev. Gen. 2 : 661, 1891. *Saccolabium acutifolium* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 223, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 61, 1890. Rani Camp, 1650 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 99.

G. obliquus (Lindl.) O. Ktz. Rev. Gen. 2 : 661, 1891. *Saccolabium obliquum* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 223, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 61, 1890. Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 171; Rani Camp, 1650 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 461.

G. calceolaria (Sm.) D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 32, 1825. *Saccolabium calceolare* (Sm.) Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 223, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 60, 1890.

Towards Tobrang, 3 km from Tashiyangtsi, 2000 m., March 1963, Balakrishnan 41030 & 41390; Chaisilakha, 1500 m., Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 420 & 444; Gaylegphug, 270 m., Nov. 1964, Deb 171; Changda chungli hill, 1300 m., Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10546.

G. distichus (Lindl.) O. Ktz. Rev. Gen. 661, 1891. *Saccolabium distichum* Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 36, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 64, 1890. 1 km north of Wamrung, 2000 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43350.

G. obtusifolius (Lindl.) Rao & Mukerjee comb. nov. *Uncifera obtusifolia* Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 3 : 40, 1858. *Saccolabium obtusifolium* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 65, 1890. Kamji, 1000 m., Dec. 1963, Subba Rao 230.

G. papillosum (Lindl.) O. Kitz. Rev. Gen. 661, 1891. *Saccolabium papillosum* Lindl. in Bot. Reg. t. 1552, 1841; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 63, 1890. Samdrup Jhonkar, Nov. 1965, Balakrishnan 44701.

Goodyera foliosa (Lindl.) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 113, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 281, t. 374, 1898. To Laurijampa, 4 km from Tobrang, March 1965, Balakrishnan 41438.

G. secundiflora Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. 1 : 182, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 113, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 183, t. 376, 1898. On way to Laurijampa from Tobrang, March 1965, Balakrishnan 43003.

Habenaria densa Wall. ex Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 326, 1835; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 153, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 319, t. 420, 1898. Paro, 2500 m., Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5848.

H. furcifera Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 319, 1835; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 149, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 313, t. 410, 1898. Gomchu, down the large stream, 2450 m., Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43439.

Herminium angustifolium (Lindl.) Benth. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 129, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 332, t. 434, 1898.
Tashiyangtsi forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44278.

Ione bicolor Lindl. Fol. Orch. 3, 1853. *Bulbophyllum bicolor* (Lindl.) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 770, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 159, t. 216, 1898. Bepa, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44360.

I. paleacea Lindl. Fol. Orch. 2, 1853. *Bulbophyllum paleaceum* (Lindl.) Benth. Gen. Pl. 3 : 503, 1883; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 769, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 158, t. 215, 1898. Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41917 & 43021.

Katherinea ampla (Lindl.) Hawkes in Lloydia, 19 : 95, 1956. *Dendrobium amplum* Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 74, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 711, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 63, t. 89, 1898.
Between Nyoth and Tashiyangtsi, 1900 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44266.

K. fuscescens (Griff.) Hawkes l.c. 19 : 95, 1956. *Dendrobium fuscescens* Griff. Notul. 3 : 308, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 712, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 62, t. 88, 1898.
To Gumdrithong, 6 km from Tashiyangtsi, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41407; Bepa, 2200 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44341.

K. navicularis Balak. et Choudhury in Bull. bot. Surv. India 8 : 316, 1967.
Narfong, 1560 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43014.

Liparis bootanensis Griff. Notul. 3 : 278, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 700, 1890;
King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 30, t. 40, 1898.
Narfong, 1850 m, March 1865, *Balakrishnan* 43002.

L. cordifolia Hook. f. Ic. Pl. t. 1811, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 692, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 24, t. 28, 1898.
On way to Laurijampa from Tobrang, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43005.

L. griffithii Ridley in Journ. Linn. Soc. 22: 285, 1886; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5: 700, 1890; King & Pantling l.c. 8 : 33, 1898.
On way to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41364; Nyoth forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44190.

Liparis longipes Lindl. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 31, t. 35, 1829; Fl. Brit. Ind. 703, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 30, t. 37, 1898.

Sanguta, 1500 m, Dec. 1965, *Thothathri* 10581; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 189.

L. plantaginea Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 29, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 702, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 29, t. 36, 1898.

Nyoth, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44190.

L. resupinata Ridley in Journ. Linn. Soc. 22 : 290, 1886; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 705, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 36, t. 49, 1898.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 229; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10470.

Listera pinetorum Lindl. in Journ. Linn. Soc. I : 175, 1857; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 104, 1890.

Lisipang on way to Dongala, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44392.

Luisia inconspicua (Hook. f.) King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 203, t. 272, 1898.

Saccolabium inconspicuum Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 56, 1890.

Local name : Konchiru.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 869.

L. teretifolia Gaud. Bot. Voy. 427, t. 37, 1829; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 22, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 202, t. 271, 1898.

Nyalangdong, on way to Lhantsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43040 & 44496.

Malaxis sikkimensis Reichb. f. in Walp. Ann. 6 : 212, 1865. *Oberonia myriantha* Lindl. Fol. Orch. 4 : 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 679, 1890; King

Pantling I.c. 8 : 10, t. 12, 1898.

Local name : Suna khari.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 20; on way to Kharchemg from Nagerdzong, 2000 m, *Balakrishnan* 43009.

Neogyna gardneriana (Lindl.) Reichb. f. in Bot. 2 cit. 10 : 931, 1852.

Coelogyne gardneriana Lindl. in Wall. Pl. As. Rar. I : 33, t. 38, 1829;

Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 828, 1890.

Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43020 & 44162.

Oberonia falcata King & Pantling in Journ. As. Soc. Beng. 64 : 329, 1895;

et I.c. 8 : 12, t. 14, 1898.

Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 252A.

Obéronia pachyrachis Reichb. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 681, 1890;

King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 6, t. 3, 1898.

Local name : Baglapata Sunakhari.

Betni, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1030.

O. pyrulifera Lindl. Fl. Orch. 2, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 678, 1890; King

& Pantling I.c. 8 : 15, t. 16A, 1898.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 905.

Ornithochilus fuscus Wall. in Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 242, 1833; Fl. Brit.

Ind. 6 : 76, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 200, t. 268, 1898.

Sham Khara and Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1082.

Otochilus fusca Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 35, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 844, 1890;

King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 143, t. 199, 1898.

Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41343; Sangura, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10517; Sureylakha, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 948; Sham Khara and Maorey forests 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1107; Tama, 1350 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1172.

O. porrecta Lindl. Gen. Sp. 36, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 844, 1890; King &

Pantling I.c. 8 : 142, t. 198, 1898.

Shemgang, 2000 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1244; Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 276; Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 402.

Panisea tricallosa Rolfe in Kew Bull. 148, 1901.

Between Neothang and Narfong, 1700 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43024.

Peristylus constrictus Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 300, 1835. *Habenaria constricta*

(Lindl.) Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 161, 1890; King & Pantling I.c.

8 : 325, t. 429, 1898.

Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10614.

Pholidota articulata Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 38, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 844,

1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 146, t. 205, 1898.

Rani Camp, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 84 & 203; towards Deothong, 7 km from Narfong, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41928.

var. *griffithii* (Hook. f.) King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 147, t. 204, 1898. *Pholidota griffithii* Hook. f. Pl. t. 1811, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 845, 1890.

Nangardzong, on way to Tashigong from Tashiyangtsi, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41989.

Pholidota imbricata (Roxb.) Lindl. in Hook. Fl. Exot. 2 : t. 138, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 845, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 144, t. 201, 1898.
Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41920; near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1066; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 86.

var. *sessilis* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 864, 1890.

Between Deothong and Narfong, 1600 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43038.

P. protracta Hook. f. Ic. Pl. t. 1877, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 845, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 146, t. 203, 1898.
Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43010.

P. rubra Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 37, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 847, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 145, t. 202, 1898.
Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 410.

Pleione praecox (Sm.) D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 37, 1825. *Coccygne praecox* (Sm.) Lindl. Coll. Bot. 37, 1821; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 840, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 141, t. 196, 1898.
Chaisilakha, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 450; between Nyoth and Tashiyangtsi, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44258; way to Tobrang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43019; Tashiyangtsi forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44305.

Porpax meirax (Par. & Reichb. f.) King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 114, t. 158, 1898.
Eria meirax N.E. Br. in Gard. Chron. 603, 1880; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 786, 1890.
Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44166.

Rhynchosystylis retusa (Linn.) Bl. Bijdr. 286, t. 49, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 32, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 213, t. 284, 1898.
Birti, 750 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1372.

Ritaia himalaica (Hook. f.) King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 157, t. 214, 1898. *Ceratostylis himalaica* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 826, 1890.
Narfong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41988.

Sarcanthus filiformis Lindl. Bot. Reg. 61, 1842; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 66, 1890;
King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 240, t. 319.
Nyoth forest, 2000 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44159.

Sarcantbus pallidus Lindl. Bot. Reg. 78, 1840; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 68, 1890;

King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 241, t. 320.

Shali, 1900 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41299 & 42000.

S. williamsonii Reichb. f. in Hamb. Gartenzzeit. 21. 333, 1865 et in Gard.

Chron. 674, 1865; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 67, 1890.

Nyoth, 1850 m, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43044.

Saccolabium himalaicum Deb, Sen Gupta et Malick in Bull. bot. Soc.

Beng. 22 : 213, 1968.

The species differs from *S. filiforme* Lindl. in oblong-lanceolate, dorsal sepals, obovate petals, much longer and narrower spur amongst others.

Shemgang, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 424.

Satyrium nepalensis D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 26, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind.

6 : 168, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 338, t. 444, 1898.

Tashiyangtsi forest, Oct. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44277.

Schaenorchis geminata (Lindl.) J. Sm. in Nat. Tijdschr. Ned. Ind. 72 : 100,

1912. *Saccolabium geminatum* Lindl. in Bot. Reg. 50, 1838; Hook. f.

Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 55, 1890. *Cleisostoma geminatum* King & Pantling I.c.

8 : 235, t. 33, 1898.

Narfong, 1850 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41976.

Thelasis longifolia Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 87, 1890; King & Pantling I.c.

8 : 250, t. 332, 1898.

Narfong, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41996.

Thunia alba (Lindl.) Reichb. f. in Bot. Zeit. 764, 1852. *Phajus albus* Lindl.

Gen. Sp. Orch. 128, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 5 : 818, 1890; King & Pantling

I.c. 8 : 110, t. 153, 1898.

On way to Bomthang, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44546.

Vanda bicolor Griffith Notul. 3 : 354, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 52, 1890.

Tashigong forest, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41253; between Shali and Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41966; on way to Monger from Pakchang, Nov. 1965, *Balakrishnan* 44585.

V. cristata Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 216, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 53, 1890;

King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 216, t. 287, 1898.

On way to Tashiyangtsi from Nyoth, 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41358.

Vanda parviflora Lindl. Bot. Reg. 30 : (Misc.) 45, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 50, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 215, 1898.

On way to Tobraang from Tashiyangtsi 2000 m, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41990.

V. teres Lindl. Gen. Sp. Orch. 217, 1833; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 49, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 214, t. 285, 1898.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, May 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1433.

Vandopsis undulata (Lindl.) J. J. Sm. in Nat. Tijdschr. Ned. Ind. 72 : 77, 1912. *Stauropsis undulatus* Benth. ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 27, 1890; King & Pantling I.c. 8 : 205, t. 275, 1898.

On way to Tobraang, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 43035; 6 km from Tashiyangtsi towards Gumdritham, March 1965, *Balakrishnan* 41402.

ZINGIBERACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Alpinia malaccensis (Burm.) Rosc. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 8 : 345, 1807; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 255, 1892; Schumann in Das Pflanzenr. IV-46, Ht. 20 : 335, 1904. *Maranta malaccensis* Burm. Fl. Ind. 2, 1768.

A tall, erect herb, up to 3 m high; leaves oblong lanceolate, up to 1 m long; inflorescence a raceme, 40 cm long, rachis stout and pubescent; corolla segments white, lip ovate, white with pinkish striations in the centre.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1411.

Cautleya gracilis (Sm.) Dandy in Journ. Bot. 70 : 328, 1932. *Roscoea gracilis* Sm. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 13 : 460, 1822. *Cautleya lutea* Royle Ill. Bot. Himal. 361, 1839; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 208, 1890; Schumann, I.c. 123, 1904.

Leaves oblong-lanceolate to lanceolate, 20-24 cm long; inflorescence a terminal spike, 15 cm long; flowers yellow.

Chaisilakha, 1900 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1191.

This species is reported for the first time from Bhutan.

C. spicata (Sm.) Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 209, 1890; Schumann, I.c. 125, 1904. *Roscoea spicata* Sm. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 13 : 461, 1822.

A robust herb, up to 70 cm high; leaves oblong-lanceolate, 25-35 cm long, caudate at apex; inflorescence a terminal spike, 15-25 cm long; flowers yellow, bracts pinkish in colour.

Chaisilakha, 1665 m, Sept. 1964, *Abraham* 506; Kamji, 1334 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5986.

Curcuma zedoaria (Berg.) Rosc. Monandr. Pl. t. 109, 1828; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 210, 1890; Schumann, l.c. 110, 1904. *Amomum zedoaria* Berg. Mat. Med. 41, 1788.
 Root stock ovoid; tubers cylindric and oblong; leafless during summer; flowers yellow, bracts reddish, spreading. Common in open meadows.
 Birti, 550 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1212.

Globba hookeri Clarke ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 202, 1890; Schumann, l.c. 138, 1904.
 A herb up to 1 m high; leaves oblong, shortly acuminate, up to 25 cm long; inflorescence a panicle, 30-40 cm long, lower branches with 2-3 flowers; flowers yellow.
 Lumichawa, 700 m, Aug. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1881.
 This species is a new record for Bhutan Himalayas.

G. multiflora Wall. ex Baker in Hook f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 202, 1890; Schumann, l.c. 138, 1904.
 A herb, growing in small communities on the forest floor; leaves ovate-oblong, caudate at apex, up to 24 cm long, pubescent beneath; flowers in panicles with axillary bulbils on the lower branches of the panicle.
 Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 157.
 A new record for Bhutan.

G. racemosa Smith Exot. Bot. 2 : 115, t. 117, 1804; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 201, 1890; Schumann, l.c. 135, 1904.
 Plant up to 60 cm high; leaves oblong-lanceolate, 10-12 cm long, glabrous above, puberulous beneath, caudate at apex; inflorescence a terminal raceme.
 Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, *Abraham* 327.

Hedychium acuminatum Rosc. Monandr. Pl. t. 47, 1828. *H. spicatum* Ham. ex Sm. var. *acuminatum* (Rosc.) Wall. in Hook. Kew Journ. Bot. 5 : 328, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 227, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 50, 1904.
 6 km from Narfong on road to Wamrung, 2160 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43301.

H. aureum Clarke et Mann ex Baker in Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 229, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 41, 1904.
 5 km north of Narfong, 2000 m, Sept. 1965, *Rao* 43289.
 The occurrence of this species in Bhutan is a new record.

H. coccineum Buch.-Ham. var. **squarrosum** Buch.-Ham. ex Wall. in Hook. Kew Journ. Bot. 5 : 371, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 231, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 53, 1904,

A herb; leaves lanceolate, up to 30 cm long; inflorescence a terminal spike, 20 cm long; bracts conspicuous, oblong; fruit a capsule.

On way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb 248.

Hedychium densiflorum Wall. in Hook. Kew Journ. Bot. 5 : 368, 1853 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 227, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 49, 1904.

A shrub; leaves oblong, 18-22 cm long; flowers in terminal spikes, yellow in colour.

On the way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, Deb

{ 282.

A new record for Bhutan.

H. ellipticum Buch.-Ham. ex Sm. in Ress, Cyclop. 17 : 2, 1811; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 228, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 47, 1904.

A perennial herb; leaves oblong to oblong elliptic, 14-20×7.5-9 cm, shortly acuminate; spike 8-10 cm long, bracts oblong; flowers white.

Paro, 3000-4000 m, Aug. 1963, Sen Gupta 798.

This species is reported for the first time from Bhutan.

H. spicatum Ham. ex Sm. var. **trilobum** Wall. in Hook. Kew Journ. Bot. 5 : 328, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 227, 1892. *H. trilobum* Wall. Cat. 6554. 1832 (nomen.).

Root stock globose; leaves oblong, 20-25 cm long, entire, narrowed at base, acute at apex, subcoriaceous, glabrous on both surfaces ; inflorescence a terminal spike, lax, 15 cm long; flowers white, bracts oblong, up to 3 cm long, convolute round the calyx; calyx tubular shorter than the bracts; corolla tube narrow, up to 5 cm long, corolla segments and staminodes linear, lip bilobed with a small tooth between the 2 lobes.

Lumichawa, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, Sen Gupta 1819.

This species has so far been reported from Nepal, the type locality (*Wallich* 6554). Hence its occurrence in Bhutan Himalayas constitutes a new record for this species.

H. stenopetalum Lodd. Bot. Cab. t. 1902, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 231, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 58, 1904.

6 km north on road from Deothong to Narfong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, Rao 43201.

A new record for Bhutan Himalayas.

H. thyrsiforme Ham. ex Sm. in Ress, Cyclop. 17 : 4, 1811; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 230, 1892; Schumann, l.c. 57, 1904.

A herbaceous undershrub, 1.5 m high; leaves oblong, 20-30 cm long; flowers in dense, terminal spikes with conspicuous, cylindric bracts; corolla white; staminodes linear.

, Changuna, Samchi, 2000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10451; on way from Rani Camp to Tama, 1350-1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 252; Kamji, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 179.

A new record for Bhutan.

MARANTACEAE

S. N. BISWAS

Phrynium capitatum Willd. Sp. Pl. I : 17, 1797; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 258, 1892
(excl. syn. *Phyllodes placentaria* Lour. & *Maranta placentaria* A. Dictr.)
Merrill in Philip. Journ. Sc. 15 : 230, 1919, in obs.

Herb with creeping rhizome in damp forest floor. Used as Elephant fodder.

Local name : Kouvepat, Koupat (Nepali).
Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 829.

CANNACEAE

Canna indica Linn. Sp. Pl. I : 1, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 260, 1892, pro parte.
Kraenzlin in Pflanzenf. 56 : 59, 1912.
Chenari village near Deothong, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43143.

HAEMODORACEAE

S. K. JAIN

Ophiopogon intermedius D. Don Fl. Nepal. 48, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 269,
1892; Hara, Fl. East. Himal. 409, 1966.

A scapigerous herb; rootstock short; leaves 10-15 cm long, linear,
curved; scape slender, decurved, few-flowered, flowers white or purplish;
fruit greenish, indehiscent.

Paro, 3300-3750 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 775; 1 km north of Wamrung,
2250 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43343; Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964,
Sen Gupta 1382.

Critical note : The first specimen listed above resembles var. *parviflora*
Hook. f., and could be treated as a species distinct from *O. intermedius*
as done by Hara (I.c. 1966). The question of identity of *O. wallichianus*
(Kunth) Hook. f.; vis-a-vis *O. intermedius* D. Don, as also of those two
taxa vis-a-vis *O. parviflorus* (Hook. f.) Hara seems uncertain at this stage.
The plants are, therefore, treated as *O. intermedius* D. Don (Sensu lato).

IRIDACEAE

DEBINKA DAS

Belamcanda chinensis (Linn.) Leman in Redoute Liliac. 3 : t. 121, 1805;
Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 277, 1892. *Ixia chinensis* Linn. Sp. Pl. I : 36, 1753.
Dantak camp, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43557.

Iris clarkei Baker, Handb. Irid. 25, 1892; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 275, 1892; Dykes, Gen. Iris 29, t. 5, 1913. *I. himalaica* Dykes, in Gard. Chron. 45 : 3 & 36, 1909.

An erect herb; flowers violet; fruits 3-gonous, oblong. Common in shady places.

Near Ha Valley, 3050 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 666; Chi-La, on the way to Paro, 350 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 727.

HYPOXIDACEAE

S. K. JAIN

Cureligo capitulata (Lour.) O. Kuntze Rev. Gen. Pl. 2 : 703, 1891. *C. recurvata* Dryand. in Ait. Hort. Kew Ed. 2: 253, 1810; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 278, 1892.

A scapigerous herb; rootstock tuberous; leaves long-petioled, lanceolate, plicate; scapes 8-20 cm, villous; flowers in heads; perianth about 2 cm diam; fruits globose, hairy, slightly beaked; seeds black.

Sangura, 1300 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6086.

Hypoxis aurea Lour. Fl. Cochin. 200, 1790; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 277, 1892.

A softly villous or hairy scapigerous herb; leaves narrowly linear; scapes 2-10 cm long, 1-2 flowered; perianth sessile on the top of the ovary, yellow; fruit clavate; seeds black.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963 (in fl. and frt.), *Balakrishnan* 1250; on grassy hill slope, Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43559.

DIOSCOREACEAE

S. P. BANERJEE

Dioscorea bulbifera Linn, Sp. Pl. 2 : 1033, 1753; Prain & Burk. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 111, t. 49-51, 1936; Burk. Fl. Males. 4 : 311, 1951. *D. sativa* Thunb. Fl. Jap. 151, 1784; non Linn. 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 295, 1892.

Twiner winding clockwise with 3-winged fruit.

Sham Khara, 1500 m, rare, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 23.

D. glabra Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 804, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 294, 1892. Prain & Burk. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 354, t. 131, 1938; Burk. Fl. Males. 4 : 331, 1951.

Phuntsholing, fruiting, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 137.

D. hamiltonii Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 295, 1892; Prain & Burk. in Ann.

R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 299, t. 122, 1938. *D. hookeri* Prain ex Wood in Rec. Bot. Surv. Ind. 2 : 143, 1902.

Twiner with edible tubers.

Sham Khara & Maorey forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1090.

Dioscorea pentaphylla Linn. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1032, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 289, 1892; Prain & Burk. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 160, t. 57, 1936; Burk. Fl. Males. 4 : 315, 1951.

Chaisilakha, 1300 m, fruiting, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 448.

D. pubera Blume, Enum. Pl. Jav. I : 21, 1827; Prain & Burk. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 402, t. 138 & 143, 1938. *D. anguina* Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 803, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 293, 1892.

Dhoankhola, Samchi, 1200 m, rare, in fruits, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10425.

D. kumaonensis Kunth, Enum. Pl. 5: 395, 1850; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 290, 1892; Prain & Burk. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 14 : 146, t. 62-64, 1936.

Paro, 2500 m, in fruit, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5837; Paro, in fruits, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5936.

LILIACEAE.

N. C. MAJUMDAR

Asparagus filicinus Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 49, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 314, 1892.

On the slope of hill in dry soil with black berries.

Paro valley, Geptem hill, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1308.

Chlorophytum nepalense (Lindl.) Baker in Journ. Linn. Soc. 15 : 330, 1876.

Phalangium nepalense Lindley in Trans. Hort. Soc. Lond. 6 : 277, 1826.

Chlorophytum undulatum Wall. ex Hook. f. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 335, 1892.

Dantak Camp, Wamrung, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43558.

Dianella ensifolia (Linn.) DC. in Red. Lil. 1, t. 1, 1802; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 337, 1892. *Dracaena ensifolia* Linn. Mant. 1 : 63, 1767.

Herb in white flowers. Scarce.

On way to Birti from Tama, 500-1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1199.

Disporum cantoniense (Lour.) Merrill in Philip. Journ. Sci. 15 : 229, 1919.

Fritillaria cantoniense Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 206, 1790. *Disporum pullum*

Salisb. in Trans. Hort. Soc. Lond. 1 : 331, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 360, 1892.

Herb up to 1 m tall, in flower buds.
Tama, 1200-1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1170.

Dracaena angustifolia Roxb. Fl. Ind. 2: 155, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6: 327, 1892.
A shrub, 2.5-3 m high, flowers cream coloured.
Between Sihachang and Bhaintholi, 762 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10583.

Lilium giganteum Wall. Tent. Fl. Nepal. 21, t. 12, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 349,
1892.
Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1310.

Paris polyphylla Smith in Rees, Cyclop. 26, no. 2, 1819; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6: 362,
1892.
Gomchu, 2223 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43442.

Polygonatum cirrhifolium (Wall.) Royle, Ill. Bot. Himal. 380, 1839; Fl.
Brit. Ind. 6 : 322, 1892. *Convallaria cirrhifolia* Wall. in Asiat. Res.
13 : 382, 1820.
Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1311.

P. oppositifolium (Wall.) Royle, Ill. Bot. Himal. 1 : 380, 1839; Fl. Brit. Ind.
6 : 320, 1892. *Convallaria oppositifolia* Wall. in Asiat. Res. 13 : 380,
1820.
Epiphytic shrub with globose fruits. Rare.
Changda chungi hills, 1220 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10559.

Smilacina fusca Wall. in Pl. Asiat. Rar. 3 : 37, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 323,
1892.
Dochu La, 3175 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 383.

Smilax bracteata Prest, Rec. Haenl, 1 : 131, 1827. subsp. **verruculosa**
(Merr.) T. Koyama in H. Hara, Fl. E. Himal. 415, 1966; *S. verru-
culosa* Merrill in Philip. Journ. Sci. 5 : 173, 1910; *S. aspericaulis*
Wall. ex DC. Monogr. Phaner. 1 : 195, 1878; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 306, 1892.
A climber, fruit creamy yellow with a reddish calyx.
Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 268; Changda chungi hills,
1220 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10545.

S. lanceaefolia Roxb. Fl. Ind. 3 : 792, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 308, 1892.
A climber; fruit greenish.
Changda chungi hills, 1220 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10557.

S. ocreata DC. Monogr. Phaner. 1 : 193, 1878. *S. roxburghiana* Wal.
ex Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 311, 1892. p.p.

Stiff prickly climber; flowers pale yellow.
Tama, Sarphang Div., 1200-1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1153.

Tupistra clarkei Hook. f. in Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 325, 1892.

Herb on rocky slopes. Fruits edible.
Betni, 1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1053.

PONTEDERIACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Monochoria vaginalis (Burm. f.) Presl Rel. Haenck. 1 : 128, 1827; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 363, 1892; Fl. Malesiana Ser. 1. 4 : 256, 1951. *Pontederia vaginalis* Burm. f. Fl. Ind. 80, 1768.

An aquatic herb; leaves radical, long-petioled, lanceolate, $3-4 \times 0.5-0.7$ cm acuminate, glabrous; raceme 3-flowered; flowers blue, pedicellate.
Punakha, 1350 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2025.

COMMELINACEAE

R. M. DUTTA

Aneilema scaberrimum (Bl.) Kunth Enum. 4 : 69, 1843; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 382, 1892. *Commelina scaberrima* Blume, Enum. Pl. Jav. 1 : 4, 1827.
13 km down from Garrison Engineer's Camp on road to Deothong, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43592.

Belosynapsis vivipara (Dalz.) Fischer in Kew Bull. 1928 : 254, 1928. *Cyanotis vivipara* Dalz. in Journ. Bot. 226, 1851; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 388, 1892.
Kamji, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 245.

Commelina hasskarlii Clarke Commel. & Cyrt. Beng. 13, t. 3, 1874; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 370, 1892.
Spreading herbs. Growing on paddy field bunds.
Punakha, 1350 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2026.

C. paludosa Blume Enum. Pl. Jav. 1 : 2, 1827; Rolla & Kammathy in Journ. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc. 59 : 60, 1962. *C. obliqua* Buch.-Ham. ex D. Don, Prodr. Fl. Nepal. 45, 1825 (non Vahl, 1806); Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 372, 1892 (excl. Syn. *C. maculata* Edgew. & *C. striata* Edgew.).

Tall spreading herbs. Common on sandy forest floor and on low sandy soils.

- Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 925; Changum in Samchi, 1000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10449; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 133 B; Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 125; north slope of hills beyond Chenari village near Deothong, 1000 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43153.

Cyanotis cristata (Linn.) D. Don Prodri. Fl. Nepal. 46, 1825; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 385, 1892. *Commelinia cristata* Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 1, 1 : 42, 1753.

Spreading herbs. Common on rocky edges.

Punakha, 1350 m, Sept. 1965, *Sen Gupta* 2037.

The above combination has often been attributed to Roemer & Schultes (1830), but it is antedated by an effectively made earlier combination by D. Don (1825), and, hence, this combination should be credited to D. Don and not to Roemer & Schultes.

fasciculata (Heyne ex Roth) Roem. & Schult. Syst. 7 : 1152, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 387, 1892. *Tradescantia fasciculata* Heyne ex Roth, Nov. Pl. Sp. 189, 1821.

Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5856.

C. vaga (Lour.) J. A. & J. H. Schultes, Syst. Veg. 7 : 1153, 1830; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 387, 1892. *Tradescantia vaga* Lour. Fl. Cochinch. I : 239, 1790. Succulent spreading herbs with blue flowers.

Kheri, 3 km to Tashigong, t. 1166 m, Sept. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43506; Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5890; *Ibid.*, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1235.

Floscopia scandens Lour. Fl. Cochinch. I : 193, 1790; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 390, 1892. *Tradescantia paniculata* Roxb. Pl. Corom. 2 : 6, t. 109, 1799.

Small herbs; flowers pinkish.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 126; Changuna in Samchi, 330 m, Aug. 1963, *Thothathri* 10455.

Forrestia hookeri Hassk. Flora 1864: 629, 1864; Clarke, Commel. & Cyrt. Bengl. t. 41, 1874; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 384, 1892.

Epiphytes; flowers greenish.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, April 1964; *Sen Gupta* 1408.

F. mollissima (Bl.) Koorder var. *hispida* (Less. et A. Rich.) Backer, Handb. Fl. Jav. 3 : 18-39, 1924.

Tall herbs with small flowers. Common as an undergrowth in shade or on tree trunk.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1408; Nov. 1964, *Deb* 160; 10 km north on road from Deothong to Narfong, 1400 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43192.

Murdannia loriforme (Hassk.) Rolla et Kammathy in Bull. bot. Surv. India

3 : 393, 1961. *Anilemma loriforme* Hassk. in Pl. Jungh. 143, 18.?

A. nudiflorum R. Br. var. *terminalis* (Wt.) Clarke in DC. Mon. Pham. 3 : 211, 1881; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 378-379, 1892.

Small herbs.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1309; April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1389.

Murdannia nudiflora (Linn.) Brenan in Kew Bull. 1952: 189, 1952.

Commelina nudiflora Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 1, 41, 1753 (pro parte). *Aneilema nudiflorum* (Linn.) Kunth, Enum. 4 : 66, 1843; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 379, 1892 (pro parte).

Semi-prostrate herbs with fruits. Growing on hill slopes.

Sham Khara & Maorcy forests, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1962, *Sen Gupta* 1087.

Streptolirion volubile Edgew. in Trans. Linn. Soc. 20 : 90, 1846; Fl. Brit.

Ind. 6 : 389, 1892. *S. cordifolium* (Griff.) O. Kuntze, Rev. Gen. Pl. 2 : 722, 1891.

Decumbent herbs with white flowers. Common in shady places.

35 km north on road from Deothong to Narfong, 1766 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43219; Chaisilakha, 1900 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1189; *Ibid.*, 1667 m, Sept. 1964, *Hajra* 485; Paro, 4000-4200 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 745.

JUNCACEAE

K. THOTHATHRI

Juncus himalensis Klotzsch in Klotzsch and Garcke die bot. Ergeb. der.

Rei. Pri. Waldem. von Pre. den Jahren 60. t. 97. 1845; Engler, Bot. Jahrb. 6 : 227, 1885; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 398, 1892.

An erect herb; leaves tubular and canaliculate above; inflorescence a cyme, made up of several herbs; flowers shortly pedicellate, brown in colour; fruit a capsule with a conical beak.

Chi la Pass, 3700 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 733.

ARECACEAE

R. N. BANERJEE

Calamus leptospadix Griff. in Calcutta Journ. Nat. Hist. 5 : 49, 1845; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 441, 1892.

Prickly scandent shrub with pale-yellow flowers. By the side of foot track on the fringe of forest.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1364.

Flagellum Roxb. (Hort. Beng. 73. 1814, nom. nud.) Fl. Ind. 3 : 780, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 462, 1893; Becc. in Ann. R. Bot. Gard. Calc. 1 : 501, 1908. *C. flagellum* Griff. in Mart. Hist. Nat. Palm.

3 : 333, t. 176, f. 9, 1836-50; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 439, 1892; Becc. I.c. 1 : 127, 1908.

Chamurchi forest, 300 m, Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10610.

Didymosperma nana H. Wendl. et Drude in Kerch. Palm. 243, 1878; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 420, 1892.
Narfong, 2000 m, Aug. 1965, A. S. Rao 43240.

Wallichia densiflora Mart. Hist. Nat. Palm. 2 : 190, 1823-1826; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 419, 1892.
Dhumdum hill, 3000 m, Samchi, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10599.

ARACEAE

K. RAMAMURTHY

Acorus calamus Linn. Sp. Pl. ed. 1, 1 : 324, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 555, 1893.
Dorokha, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6128.

Alocasia fallax Schott in Bonpland 7 : 28, 1859. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 527, 1893.
Small aroid with orange-yellow spadix. Occasionally as undergrowth in forests.
Batase, 1500-1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1020.

Amorphophalus campanulatus Bl. ex Decne in Ann. Mus. Hist. Nat. Par. 3 : 366, 1834 (excl all syn. but Roxb.) ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 513, 1893.
Arum campanulatum Roxb. Cor. Pl. 3 : 68, t. 272, 1812.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 120.

Arisaema consanguineum Schott in Bonpland 7 : 27, 1859; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 505, 1893.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5919.

A. costatum (Wall.) Mart. ex Schott in Flora 2 : 458, 1831; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 501, 1893. *Arum costatum* Wall. Tent. Fl. Nep. 28, t. 19.
Herb with cylindrical-oblong root-stock, growing in shade.
Sham Khara, 1500 m, Nov. 1964, *Dib* 44.

A. deiciens Schott in Oestr. Bot. Zeitschr 373, 1857; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 503, 1893.
Gomchu Hill, 2466 m, Sept. 1965, A. S. Rao 43414.

A. petiolatum Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 498, 1893. Kamji, 1600 m, Dec 1963, *Subba Rao* 346.

Arisaema roxburghii Kunth Enum. 3 : 18, 1841; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 497, 1893.
Sureylakha, 1500-1800 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 990.

Pothos cathartii Schott Aroid 1 : 22, t. 44, 45, 1853; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 552, 1893.

Gigantic epiphyte or lithophyte with pale yellow spathe.

Near Betni bridge, 1050 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1058; Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 147.

P. scandens Linn. Sp. Pl. 968, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 551, 1893.

A climber, adpressed to tree trunks; flowers white.

Samchi, Jan. 1964, *Thoithathri* 10632; *Ibid.*, Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 875.

Rhapidophora eximia Schott in Bonpland 5 : 45, 1857; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 547, 1893.

Gigantic climber.

Narfong, 2 km West of Dantak Camp, 1866 m, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43233; *Ibid.*, Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 186.

R. glauca (Wall.) Schott in Bonpland 5 : 45, 1857; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 547, 1893. *Pothos glaucus* Wallich, Pl. Asia, Rar. 2 : 45, t. 156, 1831.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 866A; *Ibid.*, Kamji, 1600 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 227.

R. hookeri Schott in Bonpland 5 : 45, 1857; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 546, 1893.

Big epiphyte, climbing to great heights.

Gaylegphug, 270 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 866B; *Ibid.*, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 155 ; April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1403.

Remusatia vivipara (Lodd.) Schott Melet 1 : 18, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 521, 1893. *Caladium viviparum* Lodd. Bot. Cat. 3 : t. 281, 1818.

North slope hill beyond the Chanari village near Deothong, Aug. 1965, *A. S. Rao* 43145.

ERIOCAULACEAE

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Eriocaulon cinereum R. Br. Prodr. 254, 1810. *E. sieboldianum* Sieb. et. Zucc. ex Steud. Syn. Pl. Cyp. 2 : 272, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 571, 1894; W. Ruhland in Engler Pflanzentr. 13 (iv. 30) : 111, 1903.
Small tufted herb; heads ash coloured. Scattered in rice fields.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1114; Thoribhadi, Samchi, 300 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10638.

Eriocaulon nepalense Presc. ex Beng. Act. Petrop. Sc. math. Sér. iv. 1 : 610, 1831 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 581, 1894 ; W. Ruhland in Engler Pflanzenr. 13 (iv. 30) : 88, 1903. *E. quinquangulare* Wall. Cat. 6072 E, 1831-32, nom. nud.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5885.

CYPERACEAE

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Carex baccans Nees in Wt. Contrib. Bot. Ind. 122, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 722, 1894; Kukenth. in Pflanzenr. 38 : 258, 1909; Nelmes in Reinwardtia 1 : 322, 1951.

A tall sedge with turgid berry like utricles.

Sham Khara, 1350 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1126.

C. composita Boott, Illustr. 1 : 3, t. 8, 1858; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 724, 1894.
Samdrup, Sept. 1965, *Rao* 43570.

C. cruciata Wahlenb. in Vent. Akad. Handl. Stock. 24 : 149, 1803; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 715, 1894; Kukenth. l.c. 38 : 259, 1909 ; Nelmes l.c. 1 : 277, 1951.

Betni, 1-1200 m, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 175; Ranichampa to Tama, 1650 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 253; Dhamkhola-Samchi, 4000 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10411.

C. doniana Spreng. Syst. 3 : 825, 1826; Nelmes in Kew Bull. 1949 : 391, 1949 et l.c. 1 : 399, 1951. *C. japonica* Clarke in Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 736, 1894, pro parte (non Thunb. 1784).
Small sedge.

Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1164.

C. insignis Boott, Illustr. 1 : 5, t. 14, 1858; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 725, 1894; Kukenth. l.c. 38 : 546, 1909.
Hill near Wamrung, *Rao* 43566.

C. myosurus Nees in Wt. Contrib. Bot. Ind. 122, 1834 (excl. pl. Nepal); Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 723, 1894. Kukenth. l.c. 38 : 258, 1909.
Dhorokha, Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10424.

Cyperus brevifolius (Rottb.) Hassk. Cat. Hort. Bog. 24, 1844; Kukenth.

l.c. 101 : 600, 1935-36. *Kyllinga brevifolia* Rottb. Deser. & l.c. 13. t. 4, f. 3, 1773; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 588, 1893.
Frequent along streams.
Birti, 550 m, April 1965, *Sen Gupta* 1215; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 383.

Cyperus cyperinus (Retz.) Vakko-Sur. Gesl. Cyp. Mal. Arch. 154, F. 6. f. 10. 1898; Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 518, 1935-36. *Kyllinga cyperina* Retz. Obs. 6 : 21, 1791. *Mariscus cyperinus* (Retz.) Vahl, Enum. 2: 377, 1806; Fl. Brit. Ind. 65 : 621, 1893.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964. *Sen Gupta* 1390.

C. difformis Linn. Sp. pl. I : 67, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 599, 1893; Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 237, 1935-36.
A common sedge.
Paro, 2500 m, Oct. 1963, *Mukerjee* 5944.

C. diffusus Vahl, Enum. 2 : 321, 1806; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 603, 1893; Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 208, 1935-36.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 173; Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 134.

var. **macrostachyus** Boeck. in Linnaea 35 : 534, 1868, Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 209, 1935-36. *C. pubisquama* Steud. Synop. Cyper. 20, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 604, 1893.
Phuntsholing, *Subba Rao* 135.

C. haspan Linn. Sp. Pl. 45, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 606, 1893; Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 247, 1935-36.
Tama, 1050-1200 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1166.

C. iria Linn. Sp. Pl. I : 67, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 606, 1893; Kukenth. l.c. 101 : 150, 1935-36.
Frequent weed in fields.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1964, *Subba Rao* 18; Samchi, 560 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10429.

Fimbristylis dichotoma (Linn.) Vahl, Enum. 2 : 287, 1806; Kern in Reinwardtia 6 : 46, 1961. *Scirpus dichotomus* Linn. Sp. Pl. 50, 1753. *Scirpus diphylloides* Retz. Obs. 5 : 15, 1789. *Fimbristylis diphylloides* (Retz.) Vahl, Enum. 2 : 289, 1806; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 636, 1893.
Thoribhadi, Samchi, 300 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10634.

Fimbristylis tenera Roem. & Schultz. Syst. Nant. 2 : 51, 1824; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 642, 1893.
9 km from Wamrung, 2700 m, Sept. 1965, Rao 43379.

Lipocarpha chinensis (Osb.) Kern in Blumea Suppl. 4 : 167, 1958. *Scirpus chinensis* Osb. Dagb. Ostend. Resa 220, 1757. *Hypaelyptum argenteum* Vahl, Enum. 2 : 283, 1806. *Lipocarpha argentea* (Vahl) R. Br. et Nees in Linnaea 9 : 287, 1835; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 667, 1893.
Tama, 1050 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1165.

Scirpus comosus Wall. ex Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 234, 1820; Koyama in Fl. Afgh. 58, 1960. *Eriophorum comosum* Wall. ex Nees in Wt. Contrib. 110, 1834; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 664, 1893.
Samdrup Jhonkar to Deothong, Aug. 1965, Rao 413128; between Bhaintholi and Samchi, 500 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10586.

S. juncoides Roxb. Fl. Ind. 1 : 218, 1820; Kern in Reinwardtia 6 : 33, 1961.
S. erectus auct. plur. (non Poiret, 1804) Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 656, 1893.
Paro, 800 m, Oct. 1963, Mukerjee 5944.

Scleria terrena (Linn.) Fass. in Rhodora 26 : 159, 1924; Blake in Journ. Arn. Arb. 35 : 228, 1954; Kern in Reinwardtia 6 : 72, 1961. *Zizania terrena* Linn. Sp. Pl. 991, 1753. *Diaphora cochinchinensis* Lour. Fl. Cochinch. 578, 1790. *Scleria elata* Thw. Enum. Pl. Zeyl. 353, 1864; Fl. Brit. Ind. 6 : 690, 1894.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1363; Ibid., April 1964, Sen Gupta 1412.

S. cochinchinensis (Lour.) Druce, Rept. Bot. Exch. Club. Brit. Isles 4 : 646, 1917.
A tall sedge with white muricate utricles.
Chenari village, Aug. 1965, Rao 43156.

POACEAE

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Arundinaria callosa Munro Trans. Linn. Soc. 26 : 30, 1868; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 380, 1896.
Bhutan, Deb 90.

Arundinella nepalensis Trin. Gram. Panic. 62, 1826. *A. brasiliensis* Hook.
Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 73, 1896 (non Radji).
An erect, slender or stout, variable grass.

Dorokha forest, 450 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10534; Tama, 1500-1650 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1182.

Calamagrostis pseudophragmites (Hall. f.) Koeler Descr. Gram. 106, 1802.
C. littorea Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 15, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 261, 1896.

A tall erect grass with plume-like inflorescence.

Paro, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1234; Paro, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 782.

Capillipedium assimile (Steud.) A. Camus in Lecomte Fl. Gen. de Indo-Chine 7 : 314, 1922. *Andropogon assimilis* Steud., Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 179, 1896.

A much branched grass occurring on road-sides and bare places.

Sham Khara, Sarbhanga Division, 1650-1850 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1084; Dorokha, 1000 m, Nov. 1964; *Mukerjee* 6112; Dakpui, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 441.

Chloris virgata Sw. Fl. Ind. Occ. 1 : 203, 1797; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 291, 1896.
 A grass with decumbent or erect culms.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1243.

Cymbopogon flexuosus (Nees ex Steud.) Wats. in Atkins. Gaz. N. W. Prov. Ind. 392, 1882.

var. **flexuosus**

Andropogon nardus L. subsp. *flexuosus* (Nees) Hack. Mongr. Andro, 676, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 207, 1896.

A tall aromatic grass.

Confluence of Thimphu and Paro rivers, 2400 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1198 (all the four sheets of this collection show dense inflorescence; the description of var. *sikkimensis* Bor, does not suggest such dense inflorescence, hence the specimens are assigned here).

var. *sikkimensis* Bor, in J. Bombay nat. Hist. Soc. 52, 162, 1954.

Dhamdun, 800 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6166.

Cyrtococcum patens (L.) A. Camus in Bull. Mus. Hist. Nat. Paris 27 : 118, 1921. *Panicum patens* L. Sp. Pl. 2 : 1046, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 57, 1896.

A variable grass, usually with creeping stems.

Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10334; Sureylakha, Sarbhanga Division, 1350-1500 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 930.

endrocalamus hamiltonii Nees et Arn. ex Munro in Trans. Linn. Soc. 26 : 151, 1868; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 405, 1896.

A large bamboo; spikelets in congested heads.
Phuntsholing, Dec. 1963, *Subba Rao* 152.

Digitaria preslii (Kunth) Henr. Monogr. *Digitaria* 589, 1950.

A small grass, creeping below.
Bhutan, *Deb* 63.

D. timorensis (Kunth) Balansa in Morot, J. de Bot. 4 : 138, 1890. *Paspalum*

sanguinale Lamk. var. *debile* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 16, 1896.

A small grass.

Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10335.

D. violaceens Link Hort. Berol. 1 : 229, 1827.

A small handsome grass.
Thoribhadi, Samchi, 300 m, Jan. 1964, *Thothathri* 10634.

Echinochloa colonum (L.) Link Hort. Berol. 2 : 209, 1833. *Panicum colonum*

L. Syst. Nat. 2 : 870, 1759 (ed. 10); Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 32, 1896.

A grass of rather moist situations; stems decumbent or creeping below.
Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10613.

E. stagnina (Retz.) Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 53 : 161, 1812. *Panicum crusgalli*

L. Sp. Pl. 56, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 30, 1896 (pro parte).

A grass, chiefly of moist situations.
Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10625.

Eleusine coracana (L.) Gaertn. Fruct. 1 : 8, 1789; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 294, 1896.

Cultivated for millets.
Gaylegphug, 270 m, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 102.

E. indica (L.) Gaertn. Fruct. 1 : 8, 1789; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 293, 1896.

An annual grass.
Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10333.

Eragrostis japonica (Thunb.) Trin. in Mem. Acad. Sci. Petersb., Ser. 6,

1 : 405, 1831. *E. interrupta* Beauv. var. *tenuissima* Stapf ex Hook. f.

Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 316, 1896.

A handsome grass with long inflorescences.

Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10618.

E. unioloides (Retz.) Nees ex Steud. Pl. Glum. 1 : 264, 1854. *E. amabilis*

Wt. et Arn. ex Hook. et Arn. Bot. Beechey Voy. 251, 1838; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 317, 1896.

A slender grass with pink or purple spikelets.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10378.

Erianthus longisetosus Anders. in Oefers. K. Vet. Akad. Forh. Stockh. 163, 1855; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 124, 1896.

A tall handsome grass with golden inflorescence.

Chamarchi forest, Samchi, 150 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10608.

E. rufipilus (Steud.) Griseb. in Nachr. Ges. Wiss. Gottingen 93, 1868.

A tall perennial grass with mauve or purplish inflorescence.

Paro Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1333.

Ischaemum rugosum Salisb. Ieon. Stirp. Rar. 1, t. 1, 1791; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 127, 1896.

A very variable species, found in variety of habitats.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10382; Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10611 & 10612.

Microstegium ciliatum (Trin.) A. Camus in Ann. Soc. Linn. Lyon, n.s. 68 : 201, 1921. *Pollinia ciliata* Trin. in Mem. Acad. Sci. Ser. 6. 2 : 306, 1832; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 116, 1896.

A much-branched, erect or straggling grass.

Dhoankholia, Samchi, 360 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10403.

Neyraudia reynaudiana (Kunth) Keng ex Hitch. in Am. J. Bot. 21 : 131, 1934. *N. madagascariensis* Hook. f. var. *zollingeri* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 305, 1896.

A tall perennial grass.

Kharpaga hills, Samchi, 390 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10344; Betni, Sarbhanga Division, 1500-1650 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 1049.

Oplismenus compositus (L.) Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 54 : 168, 169, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 66, 1896.

A tall, often gregarious grass.

Changtar, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10336; Hatipali near Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 165.

Panicum incomatum Trin. Gram. Panic. 200, 1826. *P. sarmentosum* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 54, 1896 (non Roxb. 1820).

A tall grass.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 881; Changtar, Samchi, 150 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10463.

Paspalum conjugatum Berg. in Act. Helv. Phys. Math. 7 : 129, 1772; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 11, 1896.

A grass creeping and branching below.

Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 853; Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10626; Hatipali near Gaylegphug, Nov. 1964, *Deb* 163.

Pennisetum flaccidum Griseb. in Goett. Nachr. 86, 1868; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 84, 1896.

A perennial tufted grass.

Paro Valley, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1244.

Phragmites karka (Retz.) Trin. ex Steud. Nom. Bot. ed. 2, 2 : 324, 1841.
var. *cincta* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 305, 1896.

A tall, perennial reed-grass.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1245.

Poa annua L. Sp. Pl. ed. 1, 68, 1753; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 345, 1896.

A small variable grass.

Shemgang, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1254 & 1282.

Polygonatherum crinitum (Thunb.) Kunth Enum. Pl. 1 : 478, 1833. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 141, 1896.

A slender grass.

Birti, Sarbhang Division, 700-850 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1311.

P. paniceum (Lamk.) Hack. in Allg. Bot. Z. 12 : 178, 1906.

A slender grass.

Tama, 1200-1500 m, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1150.

Polytoca digitata (L.f.) Druce in Rep. Bot. Exch. Club, Brit. Isles 4 : 641, 1916.

A tall branched grass.

Dwarapani, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10611.

Pseudoechinolaena polystachya (H.B.K.) Stapf in Prain Fl. Trop. Afr. 9 : 495, 1919. *Panicum uncinatum* Raddi, Agrost. Bras. 41, 1823; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 58, 1896.

A slender, straggling grass.

Malbashi hill, Samchi, 540 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10404.

Saccharum arundinaceum Retz. Obs. Bot. 4 : 14, 1786 ; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 119, 1896.

A tall perennial grass.

Dhamdhun, 600 m, Nov. 1964, *Mukerjee* 6146.

Saccharum spontaneum L. Mant. Alt. 183, 1771; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7: 119, 1896.

A tall perennial grass with extensive root system.

Phuntsholing, Sept. 1964, S.I. 302.

Setaria glauca (L.) Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 51 : 178, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 78, 1896 pro parte.

An annual grass up to about 60 cm high.

Birti, Sarbhang Division, April 1964, Sen Gupta 1342.

S. pallide-fusca (Schum.) Stapf et Hubb. in Kew Bull. 1930; 259, 1930.

S. glauca Hack. in Bot. Soc. 3 : 135, 1884 non Beauv.; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 78, 1896.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10379.

S. palmifolia (Koen.) Stapf in J. Linn. Soc. (Bot.) 42 : 186, 1914. *Panicum plicatum* Hook. f. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 55, 1896. (non Lamk.) pro parte.

A perennial tall grass.

Rani Camp to Tama, Nov. 1964, Deb 260.

Critical Note : This specimen is curious, because bristles below the spikelets, which are characteristic of this group, are rarely seen, but they are present in lowest racemes.

S. paniculifera (Steud.) Fourn. ex Hemsl. Biol. Centr. Amer. Bot. 3 : 505, 1885.

Dhoankhola, Samchi, 400 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10388.

This is tropical American species; it is reported to have been cultivated in Ceylon as a fodder and for ornament. It has not been reported before from north-east India or eastern Himalayas. An examination of the material in the Calcutta herbarium, however, showed that the grass was collected earlier also by Prain from Kohima in Naga Hills.

S. viridis (L.) Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 51:171, 178, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7:80, 1896.

An annual grass.

Paro, 2550 m, Aug. 1963, Balakrishnan 1240.

Sporobolus diander (Retz.) Beauv. Ess. Agrost. 26 : 147, 178, 1812; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 247, 1896.

A small grass.

Dhoankhola, Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10385; Samchi, Nov. 1964, Mukerjee 6179.

S. fertiliis (Steud.) Clayton, Kew Bull. 19 : 287, 1965. *S. indicus* auct. plur. non (L.) R. Br.; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 247, 1896.

A slender grass with a long narrow panicle.

Samchi, 300 m, Dec. 1963, Thothathri 10380.

Themeda caudata (Nees) A. Camus in Lecomte Fl. Gen de l' Indo-Chine 7 : 364, 1922. *Anthistiria gigantea* Cav. subsp. *caudata* Hack. Mongr. Andr. 676, 1889; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 217, 1896.
A tall grass with large inflorescence.
Dhoankhola, Samchi, 360 m, Dec. 1963, *Thothathri* 10440.

T. triandra Forsk. Fl. Aegypt-Arab. 178, 1775. *Anthistiria imberbis* Retz. var. *imberbis* Hack. Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 212, 1896.
A gregarious grass.
Ha, 2700 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 692.

Thysanolaena maxima (Roxb.) O. Kuntze Rev. Gen. Pl. 2, 794, 1891. *T. agrostis* Nees in Edinb. New Phil. J. 18 : 180, 1835; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 61, 1896.
A large grass with long inflorescence.
Gaylegphug, 300 m, Dec. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 831; Birti, Sarbhang Division, April 1964, *Sen Gupta* 1296.

Tripogon filiformis Nees ex Steud. Syn. Pl. Glum. 1 : 301, 1854; Fl. Brit. Ind. 7 : 288, 1896.
A slender grass with filiform leaves.
Geptiem, Paro Valley, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Balakrishnan* 1302; Ha, 2500 m, Aug. 1963, *Sen Gupta* 694.

**IMPORTANT MEDICINAL PLANTS OF BHUTAN
AVAILABLE IN LARGE QUANTITIES**

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Acacia catechu</i> Willd.	Phuntsholing Gaylegphug Samchi	The bark cures itching, sore throat, bronchitis, heaviness, ulcers, boils, inflammations, leprosy, anaemia and leucoderma.
<i>Acorus calamus</i> Linn.	Paro Sangura	The rhizome is emetic and is useful in stomachic dyspepsia, colic, remittent fevers, as nerve tonic, in bronchitis, dysentery of children, insectifuge and in snake-bite.
<i>Adhatoda vasica</i> Nees	Phuntsholing	The plant is useful in bronchitis, leprosy, blood impurities, heart troubles, thirst, asthma, fever, vomiting, loss of memory, leucoderma, jaundice, tumours and diseases of mouth.
<i>Asparagus racemosus</i> Willd.	Kamji, Thimpu	The roots are useful in dysentery, tumours, inflammations, biliousness, diseases of the blood and the eye, throat complaints, tuberculosis, leprosy, epilepsy and night blindness.
<i>Berberis aristata</i> DC.	Ha Valley	It is useful in skin diseases, menorrhagia, diarrhoea, jaundice. A decoction of the root-bark is used as a wash for unhealthy ulcers.
<i>Boerhaavia diffusa</i> Linn.	Phuntsholing	It is useful in biliousness, blood impurities, leucorrhœa, anaemia, inflammations and asthma.

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Cassia alata</i> Linn.	Phuntsholing Samchi	The leaves are useful in itching, coughs, asthma, ringworm and skin diseases.
<i>Celastrus paniculatus</i> Willd.	Samchi	The leaf sap is used as an antidote for opium poisoning. The seeds are used as stimulant and diaphoretic in rheumatism, gout, catious fevers, emetic and tonic.
<i>Centella asiatica</i> Urb.	Paro Sham Khara	It cures leucoderma, anaemia, urinary discharges, diseases of the blood, bronchitis, inflammations, fevers, asthma, smallpox. It is also used in the insanity.
<i>Cinnamomum obtusifolium</i> Nees	Kamji	The bark is used in dyspepsia and liver complaint.
<i>Cymbopogon nardus</i> Rendle	Paro	The infusion of the leaves is used as a stomachic and carminative. It is used as a rubefacient.
<i>Datura metel</i> Linn.	Phuntsholing	The flowers are used in asthma and the fruits in earache. The pounded leaves are applied to swellings, tumours and rheumatic pains. A decoction of the seed is used for diseases of the eye.
<i>D. stramonium</i> Linn.	Paro	It is used chiefly to relieve the spasm of the bronchioles in asthma. The leaves are applied to boils, sores and fish-bites and the juice of the flowers is used for earache. The seeds are useful in leucoderma, skin diseases, ulcers, jaundice and piles.

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Dichroa febrifuga</i> Lour.	Kamji Doroka Hills Sureylakha	The stems and leaves are considered excellent remedy for all kinds of fevers and the root is given as a tonic.
<i>Eclipta prostrata</i> Linn.	Samchi	The herb is used as tonic and deobstruent in hepatic and spleen enlargements and in skin diseases. The plant juice is administered in combination with aromatics, for catarrhal jaundice. The expressed leaf juice, alongwith honey is a popular remedy for catarrh. It is good for the complexion of hair. The root is emetic and purgative. It is applied externally as antiseptic to ulcers and wounds in cattle.
<i>Elephantopus scaber</i> Linn.	Samchi	It is useful in all poisoning from the bites of animals. A decoction of the roots and leaves is used as emollient and is given in dysuria, diarrhoea, dysentery and swellings or pains in the stomach. The root is given to arrest vomiting; powdered with peper it is applied in toothache. Bruised leaves, boiled in coconut oil are applied to ulcers and eczema.
<i>Emblica officinalis</i> Gaertn.	Phuntsholing	Dried fruit is useful in haemorrhage, diarrhoea and dysentery. A fermented liquor prepared from the fruit is used in jaundice, dyspepsia and cough. The seeds are used in the treatment of asthma, bronchitis and biliousness. The leaf is used in ophthalmia and incipient blindness.

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Gaultheria fragrantissima</i> Wall.	Paro	Oil which is obtained from the leaves by distillation is applied externally in the form of liniment ointment in rheumatism, sciatics and neuralgia. The oil is also given internally and is best administered in the form of an emulsion. It has vermicidal action against hookworm.
<i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i> Linn.	Paro	The fruit is acidic and is made into a jelly with sugar. A syrup prepared from it is used in lung complaints; a decoction is used for cutaneous eruption.
<i>Holarrhena antidysenterica</i> Wall.	Samchi Phunsholing	The bark is used in the treatment of amoebic dysentery and diarrhoea, and is usually administered as extract or decoction. It is also used for diseases of the skin.
<i>Mahonia nepaulensis</i> DC.	Paro	The berries are considered diuretic and demulcent in dysentery.
<i>Mallotus philippinensis</i> Muell.-Arg.	Phunsholing Samchi Gaylegphug	The glands on the fruit cure ulcers, wounds, tumours, stone in the bladder. It is also useful in bronchitis, diseases of the abdomen and enlargement of the spleen.
<i>Mentha sylvestris</i> Linn.	Paro	The plant is useful in diseases of the heart, bronchitis, loss of appetite, diarrhoea and dysentery.

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Moringa oleifera</i> Lamk.	Phuntshoing	The root bark improves the appetite and is useful in heart complaints, eye diseases, inflammations, dyspepsia, enlargement of the spleen, tuberculous glands in the neck and pains. The leaves remove all kinds of excessive pain and faltering.
<i>Paederia foetida</i> Linn.	Phuntsholing Samchi Gaylegphug	The plant cures inflammations, piles and fever. It is also good for diseases of the eye and night blindness.
<i>Phlogacanthus thyrsiflorus</i> Nees	Phuntsholing Samchi Gaylegphug	The plant is useful in bronchitis, leprosy, heart troubles, fever, vomiting, loss of memory, leucoderma, jaundice, tumours and diseases of mouth. The root is useful in leucorrhoea with blood discharges.
<i>Piper attenuatum</i> Buch.-Ham. ex Miq.	Gaylegphug	The root macerated in water is an excellent diuretic.
<i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i> Benth. ex Kurz.	Phuntsholing	The root contains an alkaloid which is a valuable remedy for blood pressure. It is also sedative and specific for insanity. It cures ulcer, the poisonous effect of scorpion sting and snake bites.
<i>Rubia cordifolia</i> Linn.	Doroka Hills Chima Kothi Sureylakha	The root improves the voice and cures inflammations, diseases of the eye, ear and blood. It cures leucoderma, ulcers, urinary discharges, jaundice and piles. The fruit cures diseases of spleen.

Name	Locality	Medicinal uses
<i>Smithia sensitiva</i> Ait.	Phuntsholing	It is used for headache
<i>Solanum khasianum</i> Clarke	Samchi Phuntsholing Gaylegphug	The berries yield an alkaloid, the solasodine which is important in the steroid industry.
<i>Valeriana hardwickii</i> Wall.	Chai la pass	The root cures epileptic fits, head troubles, diseases of the eyes and the blood.
<i>V. jatamansi</i> Jones	Thimpu	Same as above.
<i>Ventilago calycellata</i> Tul.	Phuntsholing	The juice of the bark and young shoots is applied to the body as a remedy for the pains which accompany malarial fever.
<i>Zanthoxylum acanthopodium</i> DC.	Kamjî	The fruit removes pain, tumour, abdominal troubles. It is useful in eye and ear diseases, diseases of the lips, headache, leucoderma, asthma, troubles of the spleen.

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