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Primulina

Primulina dryas



FORMER *CHIRITA* SPECIES

now placed in

Damrongia, Henckelia, Liebigia, Microchirita, Primulina

Henckelia

Henckelia walkerae



Microchirita

Microchirita micromusa



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placed in several other
genera (story on page 14)