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Recently the Editor of the Natural History Bulletin has established contact with Dr. E.C. Barnett of the University of Aberdeen, and an attempt to have the work continued is being made with her assistance.

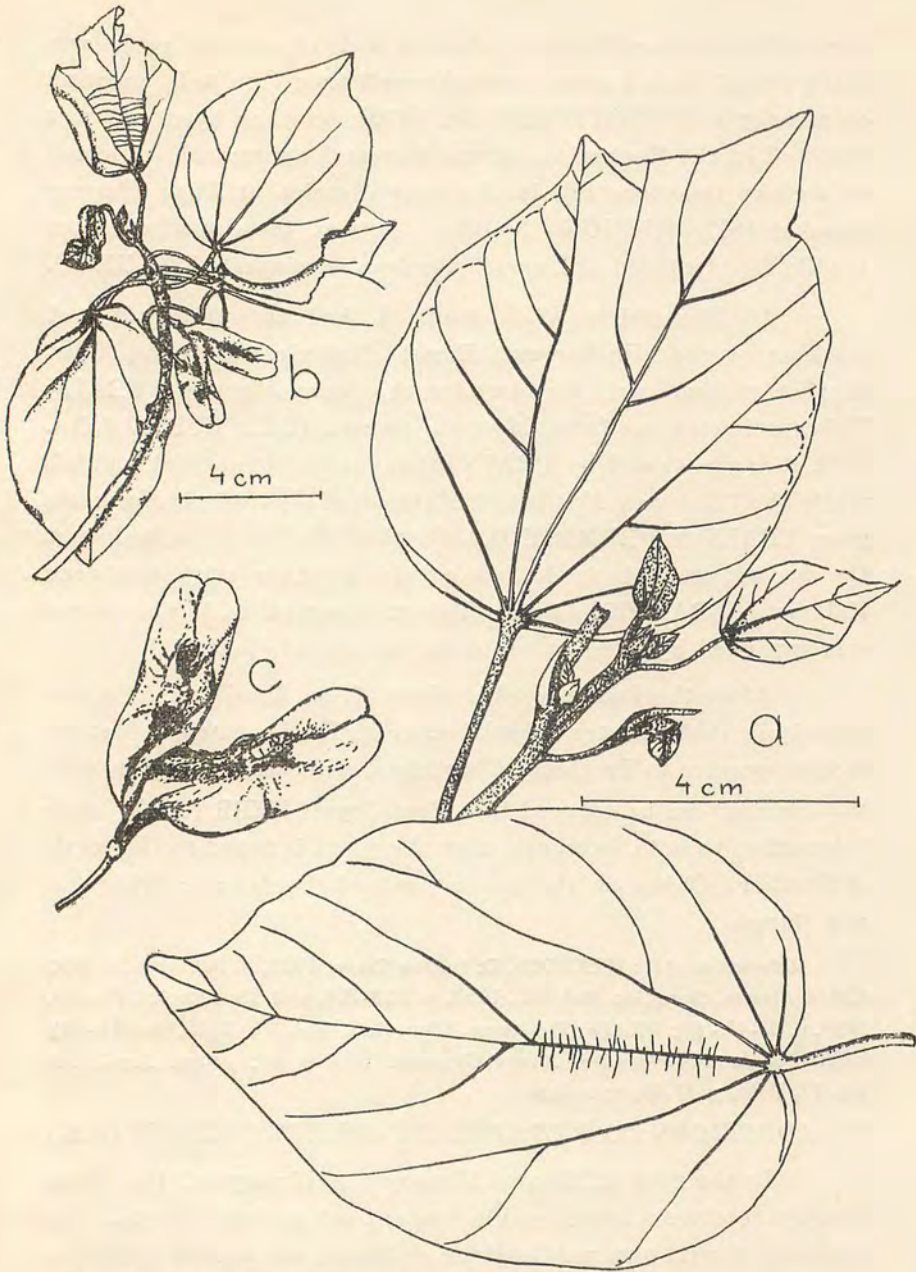
While the future work will primarily be based on such publications that may have appeared on the botany of Thailand, and such material that is collected by the original authors or is available in the the Herbaria in Europe, it is felt that an attempt should be made to gather such information that may be available in unpublished form, including recent collections not known to the European Museums.

An appeal is therefore made to all botanists interested in the Flora of Thailand to forward any information they may have on recent botanical investigations and collections in Thailand, and the whereabouts of such collections. Of primary interest is naturally information on those families not yet published in the *Florae Siamensis Enumeratio*, especially those families first to be treated, viz. the Gesneriaceae and following families (according to Bentham and Hookers classification). Any assistance given by readers of this notice will be greatly appreciated.

Please contact either The Professor of Botany, University of Aberdeen, Old Aberdeen, or The Editor, Natural History Bulletin, The Siam Society, Soi Asoke, Bangkok.

III. ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF *BURRETTIODENDRON ESQUIROLII* (LEV.) REHD. (Tem Smitinand).

In 1936 REHDER (4) created a new monotypic genus, *Burrettiodendron* RHED., based on a Chinese tree formerly known as *Pentace esquirolii* LEV. and *Eriolaena esquirolii* LEV. from Southeastern Yunnan and Kouy-Tcheou in South China. In 1952, determining plants in the vicinity of Khao Krailas, Hua Hin, in the district of Prachuap Khirikhan in the northern



Burretiodendron esquirolii (LEV.) REHD.

- a. Prachuap, Khao Chawng Krachok (Sinthipong 27 BKF),
 b. Prachuap, Huahin, Khao Krailas, c. fruit of same (Smitinand 1479 BKF).
 (c. same enlargement as a.).

part of Peninsular Thailand, where a sort of natural park was being established, I came across a small tree, 8 m tall, growing on a rocky hill (SMITINAND No. 1479); another specimen was detected in the Herbarium of the Forest Department, collected on a rocky limestone hill in the same district, at Khao Chawng Krachok (SINDHIPHONG No. 27). Both of these specimens can readily be identified as *Burrettiodendron esquirolii* (LEV.) REHD.

In September 1957 when I had an opportunity of working at the Herbarium Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew, another specimen was found under the genus *Mansonia* PRAIN. This specimen came from Mergui, Burma (C.F. MURIELS No. 836), it is mentioned by PRAIN (3) under the name "Kalamet B", while the "Kalamet A" the true Kalamet of the trade, is *Mansonia gagei* PRAIN & DRUMMOND. On the label it is stated that the wood is scented and is being sold together with the true Kalamet. BRANDIS (1) gave a short description, but no name was appended by him, owing to the incomplete material.

After the finds recorded above from Thailand it is not surprising that this tree should occur in Lower Burma; Mergui is just opposite to Prachuab Khirikhan, when travelling on foot the distance can be covered in a few days (KERR (2)). It is interesting to note, however, that the plant is found so far south of Southern China as the lower part of Peninsular Thailand and Burma.

References : (1) : BRANDIS, D: Indian Trees, 1921, p. 702.- (2) KERR, A.F.G. : Journ. Siam Soc. Vol. 26 , 1933, p. 203-204, and The Record Vol. 13, 1933, p. 42-43.- (3): PRAIN, D.: Journ. Linn. Soc. Vol. 38, 1905, p. 254.- (4): REHDER, A. : *Burrettiodendron*, A new Genus of *Tiliaceae*, in : Journ. Arn. Arb. Vol. 17, 1936, p. 47-49, one plate.

IV. ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY OF THE SOCIETY (G.S.)

In the field of Natural History the library of the Siam Society receives a considerable amount of periodicals etc., in exchange for its own publications. Among the recent additions the following papers may be mentioned, all concerning the bird fauna of Thailand ;