

NOTES ON MYRTACEAE VIII

TWO NEW SPECIES FROM AFRICA

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**Syzygium Germainii** Amshoff n.sp.

Arbor parva circ. 15 m alta ramulis robustis acute quadrangularibus omnino glabra. Folia petiolata, oblonga, basi truncata, late rotundata vel subcordata, apice acuta, 8–19 cm longa, 2–8 cm lata, coriacea, costa supra impressa, subtus crassa prominente, nervis lateralibus numerosis, utrinque prominulis. Petiolus canaliculatus, margine alatus,  $\frac{1}{2}$ – $1\frac{1}{2}$  cm longus. Inflorescentia terminalis, cymoso-paniculata, ramulis quadrangularibus articulatis robustis. Alabastra circ. 5 mm in diametro. Sepala late rotundata, 2 mm longa. Petala coalita, operculum circ. 5 mm in diametro formantia. Stamina 17 mm longa. Bacca ignota.

Belgian Congo, Boenda, Tshuapa, Germain 8347 fl. 16.5.1954, type (BR, duplicate in WAG.).

By its large leaves and relatively large flowers this species is, among the species of the Belgian Congo, most similar to *S. Giorgii* De Wildem. and *S. Gilletii* De Wildem.; it differs, however, from both species by its distinctly petiolate leaves and less dense inflorescence. Another species which may be compared is *S. Rowlandii* Sprague, with the leaves cuneate or acutish at the base.

**Syzygium parvulum** Mildbread ined. ex Amshoff.

Frutex glaber 4–6 m altus. Ramuli graciles, quadrangulares. Folia parva, petiolata, elliptica, basi acuta, apice obtusa vel brevissime obtuse acuminata, coriacea, glabra,  $1\frac{1}{2}$ –3 cm longa, 1– $1\frac{1}{2}$  cm lata, costa supra impressa, subtus prominente; nervis lateralibus venisque fere obsoletis. Petiolus 4 mm longus, gracilis. Inflorescentia parva, terminalis. Flores albi, pro genere minimi; alabastra globosa, circ. 1 mm in diametro. Filamenta vix 2 mm longa. Bacca ignota.

Tanganyika Territory: Morogoro district, Uluguru mountains, N.W. side, 1900 m, Schlieben 3922 fl. 13–5–1933 (BR, ZU).

A mountain species very distinct by its small leaves and exceptionally small flowers.