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**Notes on Indigenous Trees and
Shrubs of Southern Rhodesia**

Schrebera trichoclada Welw.
(Oleaceae)

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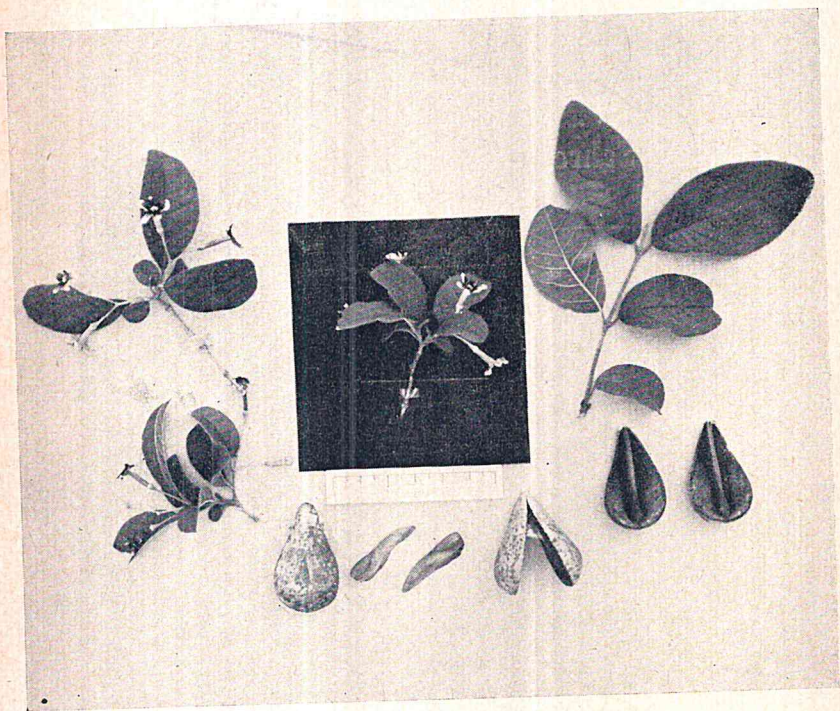
Common Name.—
(Chis.); Umkakata? (Sind.).

Native Names.—Mutisi?

General Description.—This is a small attractive tree growing to a height of about 20 feet. The simple, opposite, entire leaves up to about 4 inches in length are of broadly elliptical shape with more or less pointed tips. Midribs and veins are conspicuous on under surfaces which are hairy. The flowers, which are to be seen mainly during the earlier part of the rainy season, are in few-flowered groups. The whitish flowers, which are on slender stalks, are about $\frac{3}{4}$ inch in length. The corolla lobes are brown inside. The fruits are brown, smooth, woody, pear-shaped capsules about 2 inches long which open in two halves. Each fruit contains several winged seeds.

Distribution.—This tree occurs at lower altitudes, e.g. in the Zambezi and Lundi River areas. It occurs in adjoining territories to the north.

Uses.—No special uses are known. It is an attractive ornamental tree and has been planted in a Salisbury park. It can be raised from seed.



Schrebera trichoclada

Leaves, flowers, fruits and seeds.

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