NEW COMBINATIONS IN KERSTINGIELLA HARMS
(LEGUMINOSAE; PAPILIONOIDEAE)

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Maréchal and Baudet (1977) recently proposed that Kerstingiella Harms and Macrotyloma (Arnott) Verdcourt are congeneric, being alike in organography, seedling structure, and palynology. I have examined flowers and pollen of both and support the union. Unfortunately, Maréchal and Baudet (1977) chose the name Macrotyloma, rather than the older legitimate one, Kerstingiella, for the combined genus. Because members of both genera are referred to in agronomic contexts, and because correct generic names are needed for the Legume Conference in July 1978, prompt rectification is desirable. Conservation of Macrotyloma would solve the difficulty, but has virtually no chance of acceptance. The following new combinations for the two species known to me are therefore needed.

KERSTINGIELLA BIFLORA (Schum. & Thonn.) Lackey, comb. nov.


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