



THE CHACHACOMA OF PERU (*ESCALLONIA RESINOSA* (R. AND P.) PERSOON), S. P. I.
No. 41326.

A handsome tree, producing clusters of white flowers for a long period during the winter months. It thrives in the high valleys of Peru at altitudes of 9,000 to 11,000 feet. Here it attains a height of 40 to 50 feet and a diameter of 2 to 4 feet. In the lower valleys, where the climate is dry, this tree grows intermingled with cacti and other desert vegetation, but it seldom attains there a height of over 15 feet. It has not heretofore been grown in the United States. (Photographed, natural size, by the Yale University-National Geographic Society Expedition, July, 1915; P17890CA.)