

2172. JUNIPERUS OXYCEDRUS. Juniper.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

2173. ILEX INTEGRA. Holly.

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A hardy Japanese ornamental shrub.

2174. LAGERSTROEMIA INDICA. Crape myrtle.

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Mixed varieties. A shrub 6 to 8 feet high, with beautiful pink flowers. It is hardy as far north as St. Louis, Mo. Very ornamental. Originally from China.

2175. LARIX SIBIRICA. Larch.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

A straighter and more rapidly growing species than the European larch. It also leaves out earlier and loses its leaves sooner in autumn. "Siberian larch."

2176. CELTIS AUSTRALIS. Nettle tree.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

A hardy European shade tree, growing from 25 to 40 feet high. The small fruits, resembling withered cherries, are edible after frost. Grown in southern France for whip and tool handles.

2177. VACCINIUM MYRTILLUS. Whortleberry.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

A low, erect shrub, with angular branches and deciduous, bright-green leaves. The globular, pink, waxy flowers are followed by blue-black berries. These are much used in Europe for preserves and for coloring wine.

2178. VACCINIUM VITIS-IDAEA. Cowberry.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

A low evergreen plant, with short, creeping stems and bright-red edible berries. These are often sold in England as cranberries. It grows in cold woods and bogs.

2179. RHAMNUS FRANGULA. Alder buckthorn.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

An European hardy tree or shrub. The wood is largely used for charcoal for the manufacture of gunpowder. A cathartic drug and a yellow dye are extracted from the bark.

2180. RHAMNUS INFECTORIA. Yellow berry.

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A small tree or shrub, native from Persia to Asia Minor. The unripe fruits form the Persian berries, or yellow berries of commerce. A yellow dye extracted from them is largely used in printing calicoes and cotton goods.

2181. RHAMNUS ALPINA. Buckthorn.

From France. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, February 13, 1899.

"Alpine buckthorn." "Forests of the Alps. A shrub 10 feet high, remarkably beautiful, erect, much branched. Leaves alternate, oval, crenulate, glabrous, and wrinkled, of a brilliant deep-green color." (*Nouveau Jardinier*.)