

129771 to 129802—Continued

129789. *METROSIDEROS TOMENTOSA* A. Rich. Myrtaceae.

Irontree.

Pohutukawa. This becomes eventually a tree 70 feet tall, with leaves which vary from lanceolate to broadly oblong and from 1 to 4 inches long. The large dark-crimson flowers are in dense terminal cymes. It is one of the most beautiful flowering trees of New Zealand. Because it flowers toward the end of the year, the European settlers often call this the "Christmas tree."

For previous introduction see 8933S.

129790. *MYOSOTIS AUSTRALIS* R. Br. Boraginaceae.

A slender erect herbaceous perennial 6 to 10 inches high, with linear stem leaves, oblong or linear, rather leathery radical leaves, and many small yellow or white flowers in elongated, terminal racemes. Native to Australia and New Zealand.

129791. *MYRTUS* sp. Myrtaceae.

Introduced under the name *Myrtus bullata purpurea*, which appears to be a horticultural varietal name "purpurea" added to a name which is a homonym.

129792. *OLEARIA CHATHAMICA* T. Kirk. Asteraceae.

A stout branching evergreen shrub 3 to 6 feet high, with elliptic lanceolate to oblong-obovate leaves 1 to 3 inches long and large solitary flower heads with white or purple ray flowers.

129793. *OLEARIA ODORATA* Petrie. Asteraceae.

An erect, sweet-scented, much-branched shrub 6 to 12 feet high, with leathery, linear-spathulate or linear-obovate leaves $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 inch long, and small purplish flower heads in fascicles of 2 to 5. Native to New Zealand between 1,000 and 5,000 feet altitude.

129794. *PITTIPOBUM COLENSOI* Hook. f. Pittosporaceae.

A tree up to 50 feet high, with lanceolate to obovate leathery leaves 2 to 4 inches long. The solitary axillary dark-purple flowers, $\frac{1}{2}$ inch long, are followed by thick woody globose capsules.

For previous introduction see 99450.

129795. *PLAGIANTHUS BETULINUS* A. Cunn. Malvaceae.

A handsome leafy tree varying from 30 to 50 feet in height, with ovate or ovate-lanceolate, lobed or coarsely toothed leaves 1 to 3 inches long. The small, very numerous white flowers are in terminal and axillary panicles 4 to 9 inches long. Found growing on alluvial flats and by the side of streams, always in moist situations. Native to New Zealand and the Chatham Islands.

For previous introduction see 38969.

129796. *PODOCARPUS FERRUGINEA* G. Benn. Taxaceae.

A large evergreen tree with gray or blackish bark which peels off in large flakes, and small narrow pointed leaves arranged in 2 rows on the branches. The bright-red fruits, the size of small plums, have the taste and odor of turpentine, but are eagerly eaten by native pigeons.

129797. *POMADERBIS RUGOSA* Cheesem. Rhamnaceae.

An erect branching shrub up to 7 feet high or more, with lanceolate leaves $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches long and many small inconspicuous flowers in terminal and axillary cymes.

129798. *PRATIA TREADWELLII* G. W. Robinson. Campanulaceae.

A prostrate branching herbaceous perennial with stems 6 to 12 inches long, small dark-green broadly ovate leaves, and solitary white flowers which are large for the genus; these are followed by purplish red berries.

129799. *RANUNCULUS MONBOI* Hook. f. Ranunculaceae.

A herbaceous perennial with stout erect stems 4 to 12 inches high, leathery or almost fleshy, sometimes thinner, reniform or ovate leaves 1 to 4 inches across and simple or branched scapes of 1 to 3 yellow flowers about 1 inch in diameter.