

26866 to 26884—Continued.

26874. COTONEASTER PYRACANTHA (L.) Spach.

From near Baidari, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1225a, January 15, 1910.) This very ornamental evergreen hawthorn grows in its native habitat in rather sterile and exposed places, and where it is browsed upon by sheep and goats assumes very low, rounded shapes. Can probably be employed as a low evergreen for hedges and borders in fairly mild-wintered regions, with hot and dry summers." (*Meyer.*)

Distribution.—Southern Europe and western Asia, extending from Spain to Macedonia and eastward through Asia Minor to Syria. Naturalized in the United States from Pennsylvania to Tennessee and south to Alabama.

26875. CRATAEGUS sp.

From near Sebastopol, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1226a, January 11, 1910.) A small tree, found at the foot of an embankment. Apparently quite rare. Of value as an ornamental, tall shrub or small tree in regions with dry and hot summers and fairly mild winters." (*Meyer.*)

26876. CRATAEGUS sp.

From near Baidari, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1227a, January 14, 1910.) A low shrub, found growing in dry and stony places. Of value like the preceding number (S. P. I. No. 26875)." (*Meyer.*)

26877. LIGUSTRUM VULGARE L.

Privet.

From near Baidari, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1228a, January 15, 1910.) Collected from some shrubs, found growing on very dry and exposed places. This privet seems to be able to stand more drought and heat than is generally supposed. Of value as an ornamental shrub in regions with dry and hot summers and fairly mild winters." (*Meyer.*)

Distribution.—Europe, western Asia, and northern Africa; cultivated in the United States as a hedge plant, and naturalized locally from Maine to Ontario and south to North Carolina.

26878. CARPINUS BETULUS L.

European hornbeam.

From near Sebastopol, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1229a, January 11, 1910.) This well-known shrub, growing into a medium-sized tree, occasionally, is found in abundance on the hills and mountains of the Crimea, where it withstands heat and drought on even very sterile mountain sides remarkably well. Of value as an ornamental and as a hedge plant in similar regions as the preceding number (S. P. I. No. 26877)." (*Meyer.*)

Distribution.—Europe and western Asia; from southern England and Sweden to the Mediterranean, and east through southern Russia to Persia.

26879. PALIURUS SPINA-CHRISTI Mill.

Christ's-thorn.

From near Sebastopol, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1230a, January 9, 1910.) A Zizyphus-like shrub, with many hooked spines, growing in abundance here and there on dry stony places. A bad weed apparently. Of value as a botanical specimen in arboreta and botanical gardens." (*Meyer.*)

Distribution.—Southern Europe and Asia; from Switzerland through Hungary and Greece to Persia; also reported from the province of Shensi, northern China.

26880. VIBURNUM LANTANA L.

Wayfaring tree.

From Baidari, Crimea, Russia. "(No. 1231a, January 15, 1910.) An ornamental Viburnum found in a thicket; this was the only specimen. Of value as an ornamental shrub in regions with hot and dry summers and fairly mild winters." (*Meyer.*)