

40406 to 40496—Continued.

noticeably predominant, sometimes strongly pointed or almost acuminate with subcordate or truncate base, sometimes even rounded, a little glossy, glabrous, dotted with glandular hairs. Leaves but little developed at flowering. Male racemes erect, $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ cm. long, with from 7 to 30 flowers. Flowers subturbinate, purplish maroon on the inside, glabrous. Female racemes very short, one-half to 2 cm., loose, bearing three to six flowers in wild plants, 2 to 3 cm. long in cultivation, with about ten flowers. Pedicels very short at flowering. Bracts caducous. Flowers subrotate, smaller than the males, purplish or reddish maroon, sometimes greenish. Fruit small, like a currant, round or obovate, reddish scarlet, glabrous, occasionally shortly pedunculate (one-half mm.), crowned with withered flower. Pulp flesh colored, subacid or a little sweet, not gelatinous. Seeds rather small, oblong. Matures in middle July. Native of the high mountains of southern China, Yunnan, Hupeh, Szechwan, Tibet, and in the Himalayas. Wallich confused *R. glaciale* with *R. acuminatum*, but accepting the opinion of Govan that they are specifically distinct, I propose to apply the name *R. glaciale* to the plant having the smaller leaves more like those of *R. alpinum*. Hooker fil. and Thomson do the contrary, and describe *R. acuminatum* under the name of *R. glaciale*." (*E. Janczewski, Monographie des Groscilliers, p. 467.*)

40440. RIBES TRILOBUM Meyen.

(*Ribes gayanum* Spach.)

"7325. ♂."

"An unarmed evergreen shrub, 3 to 5 feet high; the young wood, leaf-stalks, flower stalks, ovary, and calyx shaggy with soft hairs. Leaves stout, greyish, very broadly or roundish ovate; 1 to 2 inches long and broad; the three lobes rounded and toothed, the base usually straight; downy on both sides. Flowers bell shaped, yellow, honey scented, closely packed in erect cylindrical racemes, 1 to 2 inches long, one-half inch diameter. Berries about the size of peas, purple-black, hairy. Native of Chile. A handsome evergreen and distinct in the shape and color of its inflorescence and the hairiness of its various parts. Some forms are less downy. Flowers in early June. It has been cultivated at Kew for many years and is quite hardy." (*W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 401-402.*)

40441. RIBES TRILOBUM Meyen.

(*Ribes gayanum* Spach.)

"7325. ♀."

See S. P. I. No. 40440 for description.

40442 and 40443. RIBES GLACIALE Wallich.

Currant.

40442. "7380 ♀."

See S. P. I. No. 40439 for previous introduction and description.

40443. "7555 K."

"Wilson No. 180. From woods, Fanghsien, western Hupeh, at an altitude of 2,250 meters. September, 1907; a form with large sepals." (*Wilson.*)

See S. P. I. No. 40439 for previous introduction and description.

40444. × RIBES GORDONIANUM Lemaire.

Currant.

"7362."