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racemes and flowers of the currants. Its multiple spines are also distinct. Although it has no lively color to recommend it, it is pretty when its branches are strung with the graceful drooping racemes." (*W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 403.*)

40456. *RIBES MONTIGENUM* McClatchie.

"7553."

"Another species, which unites as *R. lacustre* does the two sections of the genus, but has shorter, fewer flowered racemes (six to ten) and bright red fruits. Introduced from western North America in 1905." (*W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 403.*)

40457. *RIBES LEPTANTHUM* A. Gray.

Gooseberry.

"7508."

"A deciduous, spiny shrub, 3 or 4 feet high, with slightly downy, occasionally glandular-bristly young branches; spines usually slender, solitary, up to one-half inch long. Leaves roundish or somewhat kidney shaped, one-fourth to three-fourths inch wide, deeply 3 or 5 lobed, toothed, the base mostly truncate; stalk as long as the blade, downy at the base. Flowers white, tinged with pink, one to three on a short stalk; calyx cylindrical, the sepals downy, ultimately reflexed. Fruit oval, shining, blackish red, slightly downy or smooth. Native of Colorado, New Mexico, etc.; one of the prettiest and daintiest of gooseberries lately introduced, the branches being slender and densely clothed with tiny leaves." (*W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 404.*)

40458. *RIBES LONGERACEMOSUM* Franchet.

Currant.

"7517."

"Mr. Wilson has recently introduced this extraordinary currant from western China, where it had originally been discovered by the Abbé David. The one character which distinguishes it from all its tribe is its remarkable racemes, from 12 to 18 inches long, pendulous, thinly set with greenish flowers and afterwards with jet-black fruits which Mr. Wilson tells me are about the size of an ordinary black currant and of good flavor. It is a deciduous unarmed shrub with smooth young shoots and 3 or 5 lobed, smooth leaves, 3 to 5½ inches long and wide; stalks up to 4½ inches long, furnished with glandular bristles most numerous toward each end. Flowers tubular, bell shaped, smooth. The species appears to be quite hardy and is worth the attention of lovers of curiosities and of fruit growers for hybridising. The fruits, however, are very thinly disposed along the stalk." (*W. J. Bean, Trees and Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, vol. 2, p. 404.*)

40459. *RIBES LONGERACEMOSUM DAVIDII* Jancz.

"7555 Y."

"Wilson No. 898. Woodlands, altitude 1,800 to 2,400 meters, Mupin, western Szechwan, June, 1908." (*E. H. Wilson.*)

40460. *RIBES MANSHURICUM* (Maxim.) Komarow.

Red currant.

"7544."

"Shrub 1½ to 2 meters, with young shoots glabrous or subpubescent. Bark of the wild plants almost black, with leaden reflections. Buds ovoid, not larger than those of *R. petraeum*. Leaves large, broad, resembling those of *R. latifolium*, 9 cm. long, 11 cm. broad, usually 3 lobed, more