

50288 to 50303—Continued.

50297. RUBUS GIRALDIANUS Focke. Rosaceæ.

A vigorous, strikingly handsome Rubus with stout blue-white stems, 12 to 15 feet high. The foliage is decidedly ornamental and the stems are very showy, particularly in winter. (Adapted from *Gardeners' Chronicle, third series, vol. 51, p. 147.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 40594.

50298. RUBUS LASIOSTYLUS Focke. Rosaceæ.

A stout, hardy plant, strikingly ornamental with its thick, very spiny stems, of a peculiar whitened character, 4 to 12 feet high. The pinnate leaves are dark green above and silvery white beneath; when young, the leafstalks and veins are suffused with rose. The magenta red flowers are followed by curious white, woolly fruits which are sweet to the palate and are said to be used for food in China, where it is native. (Adapted from *Gardeners' Chronicle, third series, vol. 51, p. 167*; and *Gardening Illustrated, vol. 28, p. 631.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 44402.

50299. RUBUS MESOGÆUS Focke. Rosaceæ.

A central Chinese bramble with slender climbing stems, 4 to 5 meters long, rather small flowers, and small globose berries. (Adapted from *Focke, Species Ruborum, Bibliotheca Botanica, vol. 72, p. 204.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 42589.

50300. RUBUS NUTKANUS Moc. Rosaceæ.

The salmonberry of Alaska, with large, sweet, pleasant-flavored fruits and no prickles. The plant dies down to the root annually; the seeds may rest for fully 15 years under ground and yet be able to germinate. (Adapted from *Mueller, Select Extra-Tropical Plants, p. 476.*)

50301. RUBUS PARVIFOLIUS L. Rosaceæ.

An East Asian and Australian plant which produces much finer fruit in the mountains of Australia than in the lowlands. It extends as a native to Japan. (Adapted from *Mueller, Select Extra-Tropical Plants, p. 477.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 29978.

50302. RUBUS PHOENICOLASIVS Maxim. Rosaceæ.

A very ornamental Japanese wineberry, 8 to 10 feet high, with the branches and fruit clusters covered with a dark-red hairy pubescence that contrasts delightfully with the green leafage and its white reverse surface. This bramble is remarkably productive and is very decorative with its long full sprays of berries ranging from pale yellow, where the red calyces have but just expanded, to the polished crimson of the ripe berries. The ripe fruit is agreeable in flavor and has a certain sharp, brisk quality in the taste. The plant is as hardy as the raspberry and prefers damp situations. (Adapted from *Gardening Illustrated, vol. 19, p. 235.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 36071.

50303. RUBUS PUBESCENS Weihe. Rosaceæ.

A very robust bramble native to Europe, with strong canes which, however, do not ascend to any considerable height without support. The fruit is well developed and pleasant flavored.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 42591.