

## 55669 to 55706—Continued.

## 55701. RHODODENDRON MADDENI Hook. f.

An ornamental Himalayan shrub 6 to 8 feet high. The dark-green leaves are from 4 to 7 inches long, with deep-red petioles. The large, delicate, fragrant flowers, white tinged with rose, are borne in threes at the ends of the branches. (Adapted from *Curtis's Botanical Magazine*, pl. 4805.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 47776.

## 55702 and 55703. SAURAUJA spp. Dilleniaceæ.

## 55702. SAURAUJA FASCICULATA Wall.

A bush or small tree about 20 feet in height, native to the eastern subtropical regions of the Himalayas at altitudes of 2,000 to 4,000 feet. The long narrow leaves are quite hairy, especially beneath, and the flowers, which are first white, then pink, are borne in red-branched cymes. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India*, vol. 1, p. 287.)

## 55703. SAURAUJA NAPAULENSIS DC.

A moderate-sized tree with the youngest branches, leaf stems, and midribs covered with rough brown hairs; the narrow, strongly toothed leaves are up to 15 inches in length, the pink flowers are borne in many-flowered panicles, and the edible green fruits have a sweet mealy pulp. The tree is native in the temperate Himalayas at altitudes of 5,000 to 7,000 feet. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India*, vol. 1, p. 286.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 47784.

## 55704. SKIMMIA LAUREOLA (DC.) Sieb. and Zucc. Rutaceæ.

An evergreen, strongly aromatic shrub, found throughout the temperate Himalayas at altitudes ranging from 6,000 to 10,000 feet. The white flowers are crowded into terminal panicles, and the red, fleshy, oval fruits are about three-fourths of an inch in length. The timber is used to make hoe and ax handles. (Adapted from *Watt, Dictionary of the Economic Products of India*, vol. 6, pt. 3, p. 244, and *Hooker, Flora of British India*, vol. 1, p. 499.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 47795.

## 55705. SPIRÆA MICRANTHA Hook. f. Rosaceæ.

A very attractive shrub of rather lax habit, found in the eastern temperate Himalayas at altitudes of 5,800 to 10,000 feet. The narrowly ovate doubly toothed leaves are sometimes 7 inches long, and the small pale-pink flowers are borne in very long spreading panicles. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India*, vol. 2, p. 325.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 47802.

## 55706. TRACHYCARPUS MARTIANUS (Wall.) Wendl. Phœnicaceæ. Palm.

A slender-trunked fan-leaved palm from temperate regions of the Himalayas, where it grows to a height of 20 to 50 feet. The unarmed trunk bears at its summit a crown of rigid leathery roundish leaves 4 or 5 feet in diameter which are cut about halfway down into narrow 2-lobed segments. The yellow flowers, followed by blue fruits, are borne on a nodding spadix about a foot in length. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India*, vol. 6, p. 436.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 53471.

## 55707. TRIFOLIUM SUBTERRANEUM L. Fabaceæ.

## Subterranean clover.

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