



AN ATTRACTIVE ORNAMENTAL SHRUB FROM ECUADOR.

(*Duranta triacantha* Juss.; S. P. I. No. 52610.)

At high elevations in the Andes *Duranta triacantha* occurs abundantly as a native shrub along watercourses. When brought into cultivation and trained into desirable form it becomes a handsome ornamental plant. In general appearance it closely resembles *D. plumieri* of California gardens, but it bears larger flowers and fruits. The latter, which are golden yellow and borne in bunches like currants, are not edible, but greatly enhance the beauty of the plant. It should be hardy enough for cultivation in Florida and the southwestern United States. (Photographed by Wilson Popenoe at Ambato, Ecuador, January, 1921; P18332FS.)