

China, a seedling of *Berberis stenophylla* which is a hybrid between *B. darwinii* and *B. empetrifolia*. This plant illustrates the fact that even if the immediate result of a hybridization is not what is wanted the seedlings of such a plant may be. The evergreen *Lonicera pileata* seen in Veitch's nurseries at Comby Wood, Surrey, England, is a good plant for rockeries and at the ends of beds of shrubbery. It is of caespitose habit like the *Cotoneaster horizontalis*. In the Arboretum of Mr. Maurice L. de Vilmorin, Les Barres, Nogent sur Vernisson, is found the new *Berberis dictyophylla*, which has white, glaucous branches and leaves. *Clematis* sp. 4927 has very nice rose-colored flowers. *Clematis* sp. 4732 has white flowers and finely pinnate leaves; both plants are new and valuable from a horticultural point of view. *Photinia variabilis* (No. 4345) is an attractive shrub from Western China; it bears dark green, glossy foliage and has small, red berries. It may serve as a good stock for loquats, being so closely related to them. A new *Prunus*, No. 6613, from Western China, is remarkable for its exceedingly fast and healthy growth and it may serve also as a stock for plums and cherries in the U.S. Mr. Vilmorin has a few young plants of this available in case we can make use of them. His collection of roses is perhaps the richest in the world. *Rosa kamshatica* looks like *R. rugosa*, and as it is even hardier than that species, it can be used in breeding experiments. Two or three varieties of *Rosa sericea* from Western China may also be used to create new strains of hardy roses. In Mr. G. Allard's Arboretum near Angers I noted among other things *Crataegus tenacetifolia*, which has a flavor all of its own and could well be cultivated for its fruits which could be made into preserves. He also has a large plant of the very rare *Hedera aurantiaca* from the Himalayas bearing golden berries.

#### RECENT VISITORS.

CELON. Dr. J. C. Willis, Director Peradeniya Botanical Garden, Kandy, Ceylon. On his way around the world gave an address in the Office of the Chief of the Bureau, giving an account of the development of the remarkable rubber industry of Ceylon and the success which has attended the