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IDENTIFICATIONS AND REIDENTIFICATIONS OF NORTH AMERICAN PLANTS

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(Plates 1031–1050)¹

During a somewhat searching study of different groups in the flora of eastern North America it is found imperative, if we are properly to identify our plants, to study the original descriptions and their citations and, when possible, to see the types or good photographs of the types. Otherwise, as in too many cases, we make wrong guesses and encumber taxonomy with erroneous and quite misleading names. In some of the present series of studies attempts have been made to place the names of the plants studied on a surer basis than heretofore.

THE IDENTITY OF *QUERCUS LAURIFOLIA* (PLATES 1031–1036). *Quercus laurifolia* Michx. Hist. Chênes Am. Sept. tt. xvii. and xviii (1801), has so long been misinterpreted, at least since Elliott in 1824, that it becomes necessary to study in some detail the original material of Michaux and the two species which have figured in the misinterpretation of his clearly defined and beautifully illustrated species.

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