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The Arboretum in early summer. The Arboretum is never more interesting or more full of beauty than it is in the early days of June. The leaves of most of the deciduous-leaved trees have now attained their full size and this year, thanks to the abundant rains of the spring, they are unusually large and are not yet greatly disfigured by insects. The conifers are now covered with their new leaves and are more beautiful than at any other season of the year. The Arboretum is still full of flowers for this is the time when several American Viburnums begin to bloom and some of them have been largely used in border and roadside plantations. Late-flowering Lilacs are in bloom and will continue to open their buds during the month. The Rhododendrons, although later than usual this year, already make a brave show; and the yellow-flowered American Azaleas are beginning to bloom before all the flowers of the Japanese Azaleas have disappeared. Early Cornels, Roses and Mock Oranges are already in flower. A large number of American and Old World Hawthorns are covered with flowers, and many plants in the Horsechestnut Group are exceptionally fine this year. Many of the American Magnolias are still in full bloom, and in the Shrub Collection visitors can find the flowers of many shrubs, including those of many Barberries, to interest them.

Viburnums. There are no small trees better suited for the decoration of American parks and roadsides than the three arborescent Viburnums of the eastern United States. The first of these to flower is V. prunifolium, the Black Haw of the middle states where it is a common arborescent shrub or small tree on rocky hillsides and in fencerows, sometimes growing 30 feet high. It has rather narrower leaves than the other arborescent species from which it may be distinguished



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