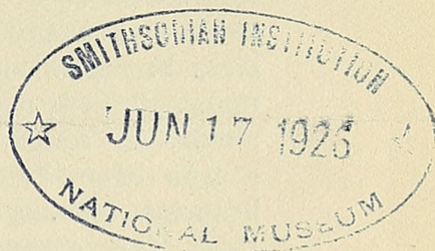
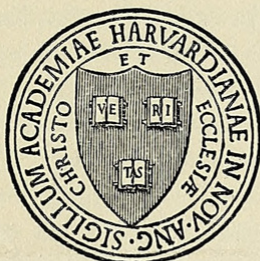


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The Arboretum in early summer. The Arboretum is never more interesting and more full of beauty than it is in the early days of June. The leaves of most of the deciduous-leaved trees have attained their full size, and this year, thanks to the abundant rains of the spring, are unusually large and not greatly disfigured by insects. 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. The *Rhododendrons* have been little injured during the past winter, and some of the early forms are now in bloom. Early *Cornels*, *Roses* and *Mock Oranges* are already in flower. A large number of American and Old World *Hawthorns*, especially those on Peter's Hill, are covered with flowers and most of the 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 can be seen the flowers of many *Barberries*, *Roses*, *Spiraeas* and other shrubs. In the whole Arboretum perhaps there is not a handsomer plant than the double-flowered American Crabapple known in nurseries as the Bechtel Crab.

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 to flower, *V. prunifolium*, the Black Haw of the middle states, is a common arborescent shrub or small tree on rocky hillsides and in fence-rows, sometimes growing thirty feet high. It may be distinguished from the other arborescent species by its narrower leaves and by the absence from the leaf-stalks of the wing-like margins found on those of the others.



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