

(Isa. xvii. 10) which reads: "though thou plantest shoots for Naamān, etc." These "shoots for Naamān" are the "gardens of Adonis" (baskets filled with plants), which played so prominent a part in the worship of that deity, as a reminder of his tragic death. According to the Greek and Latin writers, it was the blood of Adonis from which the anemone sprang (see, for example, Ovid, *Metamorph.* x. 731 ff.), and Adonis was a Semitic deity, = Na'mān. Out of this last name the Greeks might easily form anemone, assimilating it to their familiar word *ἄνεμος*, somewhat as our popular speech made *jerusalem* (artichoke) out of *girasole*.

ADDITIONS TO THE FLORA OF WORCESTER COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS. — I.

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DURING the season of 1898 I collected in Worcester County a number of plants not enumerated in the latest edition of Joseph Jackson's *Flora of Worcester County* (1894). The names and stations of those which I have definitely identified are as follows, the families being arranged in the order of Engler & Prantl's *Natürliche Pflanzenfamilien*: —

Woodwardia Virginica, Smith. Swamp near pumping station, Webster, August 14.

Spirodela polyrrhiza, Schleiden. Cedar-swamp pond, Charlton, August 6.

Glyceria elongata, Trin. Wet places in "Gulf Woods," Southbridge, July 16.

Glyceria pallida, Trin. Cedar-swamp, Charlton, July 16.

Leersia Virginica, Willd. Wet ditch under N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., Dudley, August 14.

Panicum proliferum, Lam. Damp sand near brickyard, Southbridge, August 27.

Sporobolus serotinus, Gray. Wet meadows and damp sandy places, Southbridge, August 20; Sturbridge, August 28.

Carex communis, Bailey. Dry woods on the east slope of Hatchet Hill, Southbridge, May 15.

Carex laxiculmis, Schwein. Dry woods, etc., Southbridge, June 5; Charlton and Sturbridge, November 13.

Carex pedunculata, Muhl. Rich woods at base of Hatchet Hill, Southbridge, May 15.

Cladium mariscoides, Torr. Lead Mine Pond, Sturbridge, July 31.

Eleocharis Robbinsii, Oakes. In about two feet of water in Lake Chaubunagungamaug, Webster, August 14.

Rhynchospora alba, Vahl. Cedar-swamp, Charlton, July 16; sphagnous bogs and shore of Lead Mine Pond, Sturbridge, July 31; wet meadow, Southbridge, August 20.

Juncus bufonius, L. Roadside ditches, low grounds, etc., Southbridge, July 9.

Polygonum Carey, Olney. Damp sand near brickyard, Southbridge, August 21.

Polygonum hydropiperoides, Michx. Slow-flowing brooks, in meadows, Southbridge, August 20; Charlton, September 9.

Rumex verticillatus, L. Cedar-swamp, Charlton, July 16.

Arenaria serpyllifolia, L. Roadside in Hillside Park, Southbridge, June 12.

Potentilla recta, L. Same locality and date.

Linum Virginianum, L. Dry woods, road sides, etc., Southbridge, July 6; Sturbridge, July 31.

Bartonia tenella, Muhl. Sphagnous bog, Sturbridge, July 31; dry woods, Southbridge, August 7.

Gerardia purpurea, L., var. *paupercula*, Gray. Shore of Lead Mine Pond, Sturbridge, August 28; damp roadsides, Charlton, September 9; Princeton, September 10.

Aster infirmus, Michx. Dry woods on the west slope of Asnebumskit Hill, Paxton, September 9.

Most of the above are found elsewhere in the state, and would naturally be expected in this county, but many of them are inconspicuous or bear considerable resemblance to other species, and have probably hitherto escaped recognition for these reasons.

SOUTHBRIDGE, MASS.

POISONING BY *AGARICUS ILLUDENS*.

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THAT *Agaricus illudens* Schweinitz is a poisonous species, and one not to be eaten with impunity, has been known to mycologists for a



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