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Three Asiatic Poplars. Among the trees which have come from western Asia to the United States are three Poplars which give promise of being valuable in this country. They are hardy, grow rapidly and seem to be less liable to suffer from borers than many other Poplar trees. The first of these trees,

Populus Maximowiczii, is a native of eastern Siberia, Saghalin, and northern Japan. It is the largest tree of eastern Siberia, where it sometimes grows eighty feet high with a trunk three or four feet in diameter and a broad head of massive spreading branches, and in Japan it is only exceeded in size by the *Cercidiphyllum*. The trees in the Arboretum have been growing here several years and are twenty-five or thirty feet high, with smooth, pale brown stems and shapely heads. The leaves are broadest above the middle, very finely toothed, pale green and lustrous above, silvery white below, three or four inches long and two or two and a half inches wide. The fruit which is fully grown in May, unlike that of other Poplars, remains on the trees here until September without opening. Judging from the climate of the region where this Poplar grows naturally, it should be hardy in all the northern states and in a large part of Canada, and a valuable shade tree in regions of extreme cold like northern Minnesota and the Dakotas where it is possible to grow successfully a comparatively few trees of large size. In nurseries *P. Maximowiczii* is often confused with *Populus suaveolens*, another Siberian species, and it is sometimes called in the United States the "Japan Poplar." It is one of the handsomest and most satisfactory trees in the Arboretum collection of Poplars. The second of these Asiatic Poplars,

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