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American Crabapples. Following the last of the eastern Asiatic Crabapples, *Malus Sargentii* and *M. Sieboldii*, which were covered with flowers the end of last week, some of the American species are in bloom. Nine species of these trees are now recognized, with several varieties and two hybrids. They have white or pink fragrant flowers which do not open until the leaves are partly or nearly entirely grown, and green or pale yellow fragrant fruit which hangs on slender stems and, with the exception of that of the species from the northwestern part of the country is depressed globose, usually broader than high, and usually from an inch to two and a half inches in diameter and covered with a waxy secretion. All the species spread into thickets and are excellent plants for the decoration of wood-borders and glades. Some of the species have only been distinguished in recent years, and although the species and many of the varieties are now growing in the Arboretum several of these have not yet flowered, and most of these Crabapples cannot be found in commercial nurseries.

***Malus glaucescens*,** which is named from the pale glaucous color of the under surface of the leaves, is the first of the American species to flower here and has been blooming for more than a week. It is a shrub usually rather than a tree, not more than fifteen feet high, with stems four or five inches in diameter. The flowers are white or rose color, up to an inch and a half in diameter, and the pale yellow fruit is often an inch and a half in diameter. This plant was first distinguished several years ago in the neighborhood of Rochester, New York; it is now known to be common in several western New York counties

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