

A VARIETY OF SOLANUM NEW TO AMERICA.—At Harpswell, Maine, July 10, 1909, I found a plant that Prof. Fernald has identified as *Solanum Dulcamara* var. *villosissimum* Desv., Pl. Angers, p. 112, 1818; not before reported in America. It would seem reasonable to suppose that it was an introduced plant, but the station is not one where a recent introduction would be expected. It grew in a small open space in the thick spruce woods of Ash Point, accessible by cow and sheep paths, but by no regular road or path, and with no houses at all near. In the middle of this opening grew a single clump of the plant. My attention was attracted by the white flowers on stiff woody stems, a combination I had never before seen in a *Solanum*. Prof. Fernald tells me that the color of the flowers is not sufficient to distinguish it from the typical form, as white-flowered plants of the latter have been observed. The really distinctive characters are the very strong, woody stems, and the densely pubescent foliage.—F. S. COLLINS, Malden, Massachusetts.

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TWO VERMONT GRASSES REDISCOVERED.—When the Vermont flora was issued in 1900 by Brainerd, Jones and Eggleston there was given a list of plants, reported for the state by the earliest botanists, which were not included in the flora because they had not been collected since nor were there any specimens extant to verify the existence of the species in Vermont. Among these plants were two grasses, *Eragrostis capillaris* Nees and *Muhlenbergia sobolifera* Trin., taken from the list of William Oakes published in 1852. Both of these grasses were rediscovered last summer by the writer at Twin Mountain in West Rutland, growing in thin soil on rocks in a territory much burned over. The *Eragrostis* was in great abundance but comparatively few plants of the *Muhlenbergia* were seen, growing with *Muhlenbergia racemosa*. The mountain is a noted botanical ground, being the station for a number of plants of more southern distribution.—GEORGE L. KIRK, Rutland, Vermont.

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