

ORD. BURSERACEÆ.

1. CANARIUM, *Linn.*

1. CANARIUM VITIENSE, *Sp. Nov.*

C. glaberrimum; stipulis subulatis parvis caducis; foliolis 5-7 oblongo-ellipticis utrinque obtusis nunc subacuminatis nitidis; paniculis axillaribus paucifloris; pedicellis (semipollicaribus et ultra) clavatis.

Var. β . foliolis 5-9 sæpius apice vel utrinque plus minus acuminatis.

HAB. Feejee Islands: on Muthuata, at an elevation of 2,000 feet.

A shrub or tree, perfectly glabrous in every part; the leaflets 5 or 7, smooth and shining, mostly obtuse or obtusish at both ends, sometimes rather acuminate (or the terminal one acute at the base), coriaceous, about 3 inches long and 2 in width, veiny. Neither the flowers nor the ripe fruit are known; the specimens bearing only immature drupes (less than an inch long), in small, evidently few-flowered, axillary (or slightly supra-axillary) panicles or racemes, which are shorter than the leaves. Fructiferous pedicels half an inch or more in length, stout, clavate, bearing the persistent, three-angled, spreading calyx (about 5 lines in diameter), which surrounds the acute base of the fusiform, somewhat triangular, sharp-pointed, glabrous, immature drupe: the latter contains a single forming seed.—The variety has more numerous and thinner, as well as acuminate leaflets; but it is probably merely a state of the species, growing in a more shaded situation.

The species appears to be abundantly distinct from any of those