

Order CXXII. THYMELÆACEÆ.

*Thymelæaceæ*, Benth. et Hook. Gen. Plant. iii. p. 186.

Trees or shrubs, or very rarely herbaceous. There are thirty-eight genera referred to this Order; and these comprise about 360 species, which mostly inhabit the temperate regions of the Old World, especially South Africa, the Mediterranean region, and Australasia. Several inhabit North and South America, but they are not numerous.

1. DAPHNOPSIS.

*Daphnopsis*, Mart. et Zucc. Nov. Gen. et Sp. i. p. 65; Benth. et Hook. Gen. Plant. iii. p. 191.

An exclusively American genus of about twenty shrubby and arboreal species, ranging from Mexico to Peru and Brazil.

1. ***Daphnopsis bonplandii***, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xiv. p. 521.

*Daphne bonplandiana*, Kth. Synop. i. p. 447; Linnæa, v. p. 89.

*Hargasseria mexicana*, C. A. Mey. in Bull. Acad. St. Pétersb. iv. n. 4; Ann. Sc. Nat. série 2, xx. p. 51.

*Hargasseria schiedeana*, Endl. Gen. Pl. Suppl. iv. 2, p. 68.

SOUTH MEXICO, near Vera Cruz (*Humboldt & Bonpland*), Plan del Rio (*Schiede*).

β. ***mollis***, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xiv. p. 521.

SOUTH MEXICO, around Papantla (*Schiede & Deppe*). Hb. Kew.

2. ***Daphnopsis cestrifolia***, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xiv. p. 523.

*Daphne cestrifolia*, H. B. K. Nov. Gen. et Sp. ii. p. 150.

*Hargasseria cestrifolia*, Endl. Gen. Pl. Suppl. iv. 2, p. 68; Benth. Pl. Hartw. p. 247.

SOUTH MEXICO, Vera Cruz (*Linden*, 96; *Galeotti*, 523).—COLOMBIA. Hb. Kew.

3. ***Daphnopsis lindeni***, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xiv. p. 523.

SOUTH MEXICO, Mirador at 1000 feet (*Linden*, 95). Hb. Kew.

4. ***Daphnopsis salicifolia***, Meissn. in DC. Prodr. xiv. p. 522.

*Daphne salicifolia*, H. B. K. Nov. Gen. et Sp. ii. p. 150.

*Daphne mexicana*, Spreng. Syst. Veg. ii. p. 236; Mart. et Gal. in Bull. Acad. Brux. x. (reprint, p. 20).

*Hargasseria salicifolia*, Endl. Gen. Pl. Suppl. iv. 2, p. 68.

SOUTH MEXICO, Cordillera of Vera Cruz at 3000 feet (*Galeotti*, 524), near Jalapa 2000 to 3000 feet (*Galeotti*, 7025), Cuernavaca (*Humboldt & Bonpland*; *Bilimek*, 238). Hb. Kew.

[The *Penæaceæ* are a small Order of four genera and twenty-one species, restricted to South Africa; and the *Elæagnaceæ* comprise about sixteen species, referred to three genera, all of which are represented in North America, though not one extends so far south as Mexico.]