

shortness of the spines, *C. muricata* differs in its fruit being shorter and broader, and is perhaps a good species." This observation holds good at least with the breadth of the fruit, and it is curious that Calestani confines his attention to dimensions, and omits reference to the distinct shape of the spines which was so carefully described by Bischoff, and which led authors to retain the plant as a species for no less than thirty years. Perhaps they thought that the difference in shape was entirely conditioned by the reduction in size, an hypothesis which does not in this instance appear to be by any means inevitable, in spite of Neilrich's analogy of the two Ranunculi, and others which might easily be produced. At any rate, it seems that he might well have expressed his concluding words in still stronger terms, and that *muricata*, if carefully studied in Central Europe, may merit restoration to its original rank. N. SANDWICH.

1192. GALIUM BOREALE L., nova forma DIFFUSUM. Large spreading plant, with broad panicles, leaves narrowly ovate, attenuated to a point. Callander, W. Perth, 1925, G. C. DRUCE.

284. BACCHARIS L.

1284 (10). B. HALIMIFOLIA L. Alien, America and West Indies. This shrubby Composite was found at Mudeford, S. Hants, by Mrs ROTHWELL in 1924, and sent to me by Mr J. F. Rayner.

1394. SENECIO JACOBAEA L., nov. var. ABROTANOIDES Murr in litt. Foliis tripinnatipartitis. This pretty plant, with very compoundly divided leaves, occurred on the sea coast of Western Ross-shire between Poolewe and Dundonnell, August 1925, G. C. DRUCE.

1495. CREPIS DRUCEANA Murr. Verisimiliter *C. biennis* × *capillaris*. Ramificatis et folia ut in *C. capillaris*; squamae obscure subglabrae basim versus percissime floccosae; capitula tripla, majora; ligulae apice rubrostriatae. Murr, ined. x., 1923. Frilford, Berks, G. C. DRUCE.

1505. HIERACIA of the London Catalogue. Rev. J. Roffey (*Journ. Bot.* 315, 1925) gives some names new to our list used by Zahn in Das Pflanzenreich. They include *H. SKYENSE* Zahn (near *anglicum*, itself cut up into several species); *H. JOVIMONTIS* Zahn