niculatis, foliis radica- late; leaves of the root libus subruncinatis, cau- slightly runcinate, of linis ovatis, acumina- the stem ovate, acumitis, petiolatis, medio nate, petiolate, toothed denticulatis. in the middle.

Sp. pl. 3. p. 1521. Pursh, 2. p. 502. Nutt. 2. p. 125.

Stem three to four feet high. Lower leaves spathulate, ovate, acuminate, acutely toothed, sometimes angled, glabrous on the upper surface, pale and hairy underneath, attenuated at base, into a winged petiole, two to four inches long. Flowers in a loose terminal panicle, peduncles bearing a few ovate, ciliate, scales. Involucrum imbricate. Florets about fifteen. Corolla purple.

This plant is probably, as suggested by Willdenow the Lactuca Villosa of Jacquin, for the pappus is certainly stipitate and the habit not unlike that

of our other species of Lactuca.

Grows in shady rich soils. Flowers August-September.

### PRENANTHES. GEN. PL. 1236.

Involucrum imbricatum. Flosculi serie simplici. Pappus simplex, subsessilis. Receptaculum nudum.

basi Involucrum cate at base. in a simple series. Pappus simple, nearly sessile. Receptacle naked.

#### 1. ALTISSIMA. Lin.

liis trilobis, petiolatis, leaves 3-lobed, petioangulatis, denticulatis, late, angled, denticumargine scabris; race- late, scabrous along mis axillaribus; floribus nutantibus; involucris sub 5-floris.

P. caule ramoso; fo- | Stem branching; the margin; racemes axillary, flowers nodding; involucrum generally 5-flowered.

Root perennial. Stem 4-6 and 8 feet high, branching, glabrous. Leaves alternate, deeply 3-lobed, almost hastate, the lateral segments angled near the base, the margin slightly and irregularly dentate, the under surface pale, if not slightly glaucous. Petioles 2-7 inches long. Flowers in axillary panicles. Involucrum cylindrical, composed of 5 strapshaped leaves, protected at base by small imbricate scales. Florets generally 5, ligulate, yellow. Seeds angular, striate. Pappus sessile, sca-

Grows in the mountains of Carolina. Dr. Macbride. Flowers September.

## 2. CORDATA.

P. foliis petiolatis, ovato lanceolatis, cordatis, dentatis ciliatis. que; panicula laxa, racemislora; sloribus nutantibus; involucris 6-8 floris.

Leaves on petioles, ovate lanceolate, cordate, toothed and fringed; panicle loose, with the flowers somewhat racemose; flowers nodding; involucrum 6— 8 flowered.

Willd. hort. Berol. 25. Pursh 2. p. 498.

Root perennial. Stem 4-6 feet high, generally glabrous. Leaves evate-lanceolate, cordate and angled at base, irregularly angled toothed and fringed along the circumference; upper leaves simply lanceolate. Flowers in long loose panicles. Interior leaves of the involucrum generally 8, somewhat lanceolate, membranaceous along the margins, the exterior only minute, ovate scales. Florets ligulate, pale yellow. (Pursh.) Seeds striate, crowned with a scabrous pappus.

Grows in the mountains of Carolina.

Flowers August-October.

# 3. DELTOIDEA. E.

P. caule simplici, glabro; foliis deltoideis, acuminatis, acute denticulatis, subtus subglaucis; racemis axillaribus, paucifloris; involucris 5-floris.

Stem simple, glabrous; leaves deltoid, acuminate, acutely denticulate, slightly glaucous underneath; racemes axillary, few flowered; involucrum 5-flowered.

Stem slender, about 2 feet high. Leaves on long petioles, the lower ones triangular, with an acuminated point, and the angles at base very acute, the upper ones ovate lanceolate, all denticulate, glabrous, and slightly glaucous underneath. Flowers in small axillary racemes, in my specimen not exceeding 3 heads in each raceme, which appear to have been nodding. Involucrum composed of 5 equal linear leaves, glabrous, membranaceous at the margins, and closely protected at base by small ovate imbricate scales. Corolla purple? Seeds glabrous, slightly angled and striate. Pappus hairy.

Collected on the Saluda Mountains by Dr. Macbride.

Flowers September.

### 4. VIRGATA. Mich.

omnibus runcinato-sinuatis; racemulis subsecundis; floribus pendulis; involucris 8-fidis, 10-floris.

P. glabra; caule | Glabrous; stem sim-simplicissimo; foliis | ple; leaves all runcinate and sinuate; racemes generally secund; flowers pendulous; involucrum 8parted, 10-flowered.

Mich. 2. p. 83. Sp. pl. 3. p. 1533. Pursh 2. p. 498.

Root perennial, somewhat tuberous. Stem herbaceous, erect, simple, 2-4 feet high, very glabrous. Leaves sessile, semiamplexicaule, deeply sinuate, with the segments on the lower leaves frequently runcinate, and sparingly toothed, the upper leaves narrow, lanceolate. Flowers in a long terminal raceme, composed generally of small branches, bearing commonly 3-4 flowers. Interior leaflets of the Involucrum 8, oblong, obtuse and fringed at the summit; florets 10-12 in each involucrum. Corolla ligulate, pale purple. Seeds cylindric, striate, crowned with a scabrous pappus.

Grows in damp pine barrens.

Flowers October.

### 5. SIMPLEX. Pursh.

mo; foliis superioribus | leaves linear-lanceolineari-lanceolatis, integerrimis, radicalibus lanceolatis, sinuatis; nuate; raceme termiracemo terminali, sim- | nal, simple; flowers

P. caule simplicissi- | Stem simple; upper late, entire, those of the root lanceolate, si-