

T. OCC. AUREA. *Peabody's Arbor Vita*; and the "Golden" of R. Douglas, of Waukegan, Ill., are golden tipped varieties of our common cedar, which are bright in color and highly ornamental. The probable tenderness of the golden yew and the golden retinopora should cause us to prize these all the more. There are also silver tipped varieties, but not equal to the golden, and dwarf dense little gems useful in ornamental gardening. The *little gem* produced by Mr. R. Douglas is a little beauty and apparently hardy at Waukegan; the *Golden Trailing Dwarf* is another curiosity of his. The *Globosa*, a dense little shrub showed every signs of hardiness at London.

T. SIBERICA. *Siberian Arbor Vita*.—Is fully as good a hedge plant as our native, more dense in foliage, and it would seem more hardy, that is, it does not so lose its freshness of color as does our own when exposed to dry cold without our usual covering of snow. On account of its keeping its color so well it is highly prized for putting around bouquets at Minneapolis. I am assured positively by Mr. Thomas Douglas, that this variety is not of Siberian origin, but only a seedling of our native *Arbor Vita*, yet it is a hardier plant, and very useful and ornamental.

### TSUGA.—Hemlock.

Our native hemlock is one of the most graceful and beautiful of all coniferous trees. Imagine a hemlock fifty inches across the stump, grown in the open from infancy, branched to the very ground. There are specimens about Boston such as we have not, and cannot have for many years to come.

It is also our most beautiful hedge plant, though not as easily transplanted, nor does it become ornamental as soon as our white cedar. There is a beautiful hedge on the grounds of the late A. J. Downing, at Newburg, N.Y., one of those living, un-tombstone-like monuments which he so loved to leave behind him.

There are two dwarf varieties of it I must mention. The *Broad-leaved Hemlock* (*T. Canadensis Macrophylla*) is a compact, foreign-looking, bushy shrub of slow growth and dark foliage, very curious and unlike a hemlock. *Sargent's Weeping Hemlock* (*T. Can. Sargentii pendula*) found on Fiskhill Mountain