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THE SWEET SYRINGA.

FEW of the newly introduced flowering shrubs surpass the old and well known Sweet Syringa, or Mock Orange. Scientifically it is known as *Philadelphus Coronarius*, a genus of the botanical order *Saxifrageae*, which contains about a dozen ornamental shrubs.

The Syringa is easily cultivated and thrives well in almost every condition of soil and climate. Nothing is prettier than it when in bloom in the month of May, and its rich green foliage makes it an attractive shrub even when bare of blossom.

It is easily propagated by suckers, so that any one may easily increase the number of his plants and use them for a screen, or a clump on the lawn.

Our frontispiece shows a spray of a very beautiful species, viz., *Philadelphus Grandiflorus*, or large flowered Sweet Syringa, natural size. This is of American origin, having been produced in the Southern States in 1811, and now widely distributed both on this Continent and in Europe. The bush is a more vigorous grower than *P. Coronarius*, often reaching a height of

10 or 12 feet, under favorable conditions, and its season of blooming is two or three weeks later than the common variety.



FIG. 1912. SWEET SYRINGA.