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ON THE HÆMOSTATIC PROPERTIES OF ALNUS
INCANA.

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Alnus Incana.—*Speckled, Spotted, or Hoary Alder, (Tag alder,)*
—is a monoecious shrub from eight to twenty feet in height, with
both kinds of flowers in scaly catkins.

The sterile catkins are elongated and drooping, with fine bract-
lets, and from one to three flowers under each scale, each flower
usually having a four-parted calyx, four stamens with very short
filaments and two-celled anthers. The fertile catkins are oval,
the scales fleshy, and each two-flowered, with a calyx of four
little scales adherent to the scales of the catkin, all consolidated
below, and, becoming thick and woody, they form an orbicular
fruit. Leaf-buds petioled, leaves broadly oval or ovate, rounded
at the base, sharply serrate, and more or less cut into coarser
teeth, dark green above, and whitish and somewhat downy be-
neath. The stipules are oblong lanceolate,