

UPRIGHT HONEYSUCKLE.—Of the shrubs that withstand our severe winters the Honeysuckle (*Lonicera*) undoubtedly ranks next to the lilacs. They are strong growing shrubs of good habit, foliage a pretty shade of green, which gives it a pleasing appearance even when not in bloom. The flowers appear early, are white and pink, sweet and abundant. It makes an admirable hedge or screen. The following are the best varieties of this shrub :

Tartarian.—Pink flowers, which contrast beautifully with the foliage.

White Tartarian.—Forms a high bush with creamy white flowers.

Pink Flowering.—Produces bright red flowers striped with white.

Grandiflora Alba.—Upright habit, with very large white flowers.

BARBERRY.—This shrub occupies a prominent place among ornamentals. There are only two varieties that withstand our winters, and the terminal buds of these should be pinched about the middle of August. The fruit is very acid, and is largely used in the manufacture of jellies in the New England States. The common is, perhaps, the best for fruit. The purple variety is as hardy as the common, and when in bloom early in the season, or loaded with scarlet berries later is an object of great beauty. The plants are easily raised from seeds and from layers or suckers.

FLOWERING CURRANT.—This is one of the earliest flowering shrubs, and bears a profusion of blooms. It attains a height of four or five feet, is extremely hardy and should be more generally grown. The following two varieties are especially worthy of cultivation :

The Yellow Flowering.—Produces shining leaves and yellow flowers.

Gordon's Currant.—Flowers crimson and golden in pendant bunches.

One charm of these shrubs is the richly colored crimson hue which the foliage assumes in autumn.