has developed in the mountains as far apart as Caucasus and Altai; the American species undoubtedly originated in Altai, and its occurrence on the arctic shore may simply indicate the road it followed from these mountains across the Bering strait. It is a peculiar fact that the species, in spite of this enormous range castward and southward, has developed no varieties on this continent as is the case with the plant in Altai, Baikal, and Davuria.