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The Ash.—Of this there are several kinds, but the most valuable is the White Ash (Fraxinus acuminata). This wood is greatly used for carriage building, possessing great strength and elasticity.

The Tulip Tree (Liriodendron), is found in the south-western district, and attains the height of eighty or ninety feet. Its wood is useful.

The Button-wood, or Sycamore (Platanus occidentalis), called also Cotton Tree, is one of the largest of our forest trees, but its wood is of little value.

The Birch.—There are two or three varieties of this; one the Canoe Birch (Betula papyracea), so called from its being made by the Indians into canoes; this tree is only found in the north; the wood of all is highly prized for fuel.

We have also the Chesnut (Castanea Americana), bearing an excellent fruit, and the wood producing good charcoal. The Beech, red and white, (Fagus ferruginea and Americana), affording excellent fuel, and a very tough and compact wood. The Ironwood (Ostrya Virginica), called also Hop-Hornbeam, from its flowers resembling those of the hop; the wood of this is amazingly heavy, and used for the heads of mallets and other purposes. We have various Willows and Spruces (Abies). Hemlocks (Abies Canadensis), a beautiful tree attaining a height of from sixty to eighty feet; wood not good, but the bark valuable for tanning. The Black Spruce