

Leaved Beech and the Ginko (or Maiden Hair tree.)

With regard to the enquiry about hedges we would not recommend the Buckthorn, on account of the expense of keeping it properly pruned; indeed unless needed to turn cattle, we see little use of thorn hedges of any kind. But, if a thorn hedge must

shears. It should be set while the plants are quite small, at from ten to twelve inches apart. Of deciduous shrubs the Privet, Barberry, Japan Quince and Spiraea Van Houtii are all very desirable. The first is easily grown, even in the shade of trees, bears the shears remarkably well, and, pruned in a conical shape from



FIG. 23.—WEeping WILLOW.

be had, the Honey Locust is about the best for Canada, although it, too, is a very rampant grower. It should be planted in double rows about nine inches apart.

As a hedge simply for an ornamental boundary, we know of nothing more suitable than the American Arbor Vitae, often miscalled the White Cedar. It is a slow grower and thickens up gracefully under the

the ground upward, forms a beautiful hedge, holding its foliage far into the winter. Nor is the pruning difficult, for the young shoots are slender and easily cut with the hedge shears.

Regarding reliable Nurserymen from which the above, and other stock may be purchased, we would refer our correspondent to our advertising columns.