

A CHOICE COLLECTION OF HARDY ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS.

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THE inquiry is frequently made both by visitors and correspondents, who have but a limited garden space, what are the best and most attractive shrubs for such limited areas. As a partial reply to this question, a selection of 12 varieties will be briefly described, each one of which, by its grace of form, its attractive foliage, or beauty of flower, or all combined, will afford much gratification to its possessor. The list is so small that many choice things are unavoidably omitted and no attempt will be made to include in this small

number any of the very beautiful evergreens so desirable in every collection. These may be dealt with on a future occasion. Several of the most desirable of the shrubs in this select list have already been mentioned under ornamental hedges, but they are well deserving of special commendation also for the garden



FIG. 855.—LILAC CHAS. X.