

fill with watery matter, attended with burning and itching, which continues for several days, after which the inflammation subsides. The extremities and glandular parts of the body are those which are most affected. Our *Rhus radicans* and *R. Toxicodendron*, (Poison Vines), operate nearly in the same way, though in a less degree than the Poison Ash or *Rhus vernix*. Many persons, however, can approach and handle these deleterious plants with impunity. One of the most dangerous species in America, is the *Rhus pumila*, of Michaux, a native of North Carolina. Mr. Lyons, a well-known and assiduous collector of rare and ornamental plants, suffered extremely from its venom, by merely collecting the seeds; it produced a general fever, and affected the use of his limbs for several years.

PLATE LXXX.

A branch of the natural size. *a.* The male flowers. *b.* A flower enlarged.