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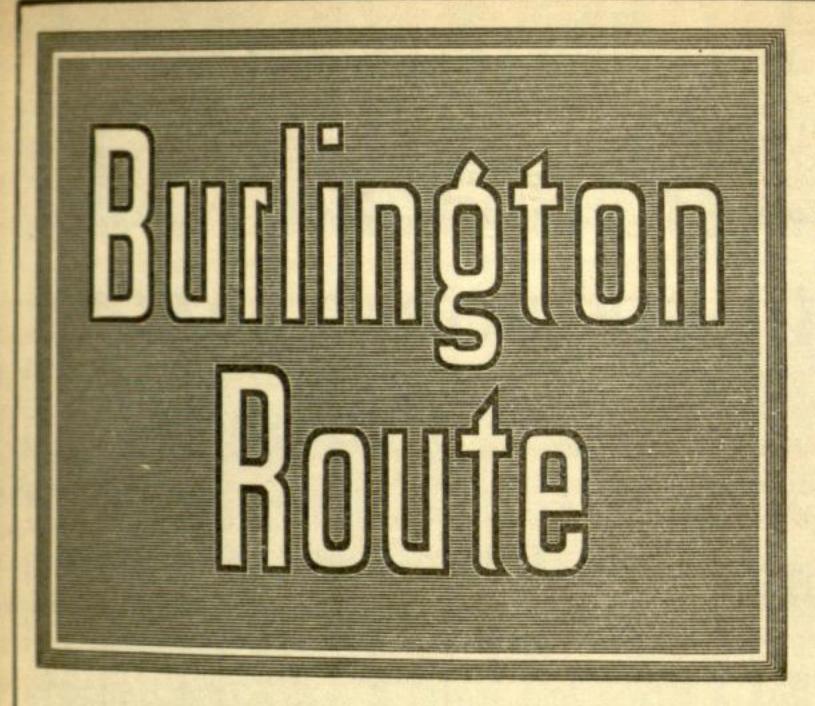
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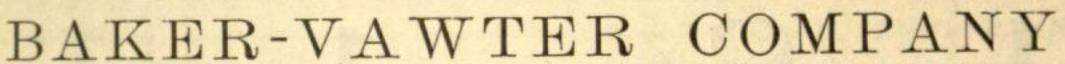
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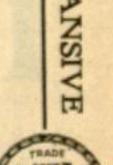
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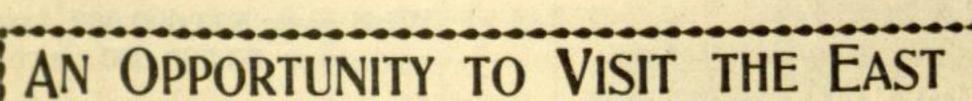
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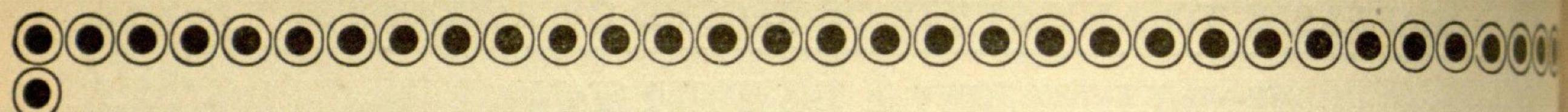
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Draba Yellowstonensis. — Annual, with stems of two kinds; the principal stem slender, erect, scape-like, 2-3dm high including the raceme, simple or with long-peduncled racemes from the uppermost axil or axils; the one or more accessory stems from the base slenderer and shorter, ascending or erect: leaves mostly basal; root-leaves rosulate, from broadly linear to narrowly elliptic, sub-acute, entire or nearly so, I-2cm long; the few (2-4) stem leaves mostly near the base, narrowly ovate, generally smaller than the root-leaves; pubescence on the leaves finely stellate, on the stems and peduncles sparse, the hairs more or less branching: racemes long in fruit, usually more than half the whole height of the plant: pedicels shorter than the capsules: flowers small; the sepals elliptic, obtuse, about half as long as the petals; the petals cuneate-spatulate, barely emarginate, white, 2-3mm long: capsule linear-oblong, tapering slightly to the apex, 10-13mm long, finely pubescent; the style very short (less than 0.5mm long) but evident; the stigma 2-lobed.

A very distinct species, having its nearest ally in D. montana Wats., a plant of more southern range.

Two collections of this were secured in Yellowstone park where it occurs somewhat shaded, steep, moist slopes: no. 5687 (type), Undine falls, July no. 5922, Yancey's, July 17. 1800.

Lepidium pubicarpum.—Annual, with slender vertical tap root; sthe stem paniculately branched from near the base, in well develo ped plants the branches similarly branched, only 9-15cm high including the racemes, obscurely puberulent: leaves small, glabrous or nearly so, linear or somewhat spatulate, acute, the broader comes remotely cut-toothed: beginning to blossom when

very small for the fruiting raceme crowded: pedicels short, hardly so long as the capsule: petals wanting, the sepals purplish:

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also been collected by Dr. Blankinship in Montana and in Yellowstone park, but I am unable to cite his numbers.

Epilobium Wyomingense.—Perennial, spreading by filiform remotely scaly subterranean shoots which end in ovoid winter bulblets with few fleshy scales: stems slender, 2-4dm high, strictly erect, mostly simple, more rarely with slender, erect branches from the axils of the opposite leaves; wholly glabrous below, towards the summit of stems and branches (if any) an obscure puberulence: leaves thin and glabrous, linear, tapering from the middle to both ends, sub-acute, from 3-5cm long (rarely even 8cm long), 2-5mm broad, the uppermost not noticeably reduced, midrib evident, the lateral veins obscure, plane, or the margin barely revolute, opposite except the floral, the few (4-7) pairs nearly equidistant, often shorter than the internodes; those of the branches similar: flowers several, erect, small; the calyx cleft nearly to the base; the petals white, ovate, deeply triangular-notched at apex, 3-4mm long, a little longer than the sepals: capsules linear, 4-7cm long, minutely cinereous-puberulent; the pedicels variable, from much shorter to even exceeding the capsule: stigma oblong or short-clavate, barely notched at apex: seeds numerous, fusiform, smooth, scarcely beaked; the coma white, persistent.

This species is not very closely allied with any of the species known to me, though in a few respects it suggests E. Oregonense gracillimum and E. glaberrimum. In the more essential characters it seems to be allied to E. palustre, from which its longer smooth leaves and smooth stems, and its smooth almost beakless seed separate it.

It occurs in dense patches, on the grassy, boggy banks of spring streamlets. Yellowstone park, no. 5902, Yancey's, July 16; no. 6428, near Snake

river, August 12, 1899.

Cryptanthe multicaulis.—Several to many stemmed from the crown of the vertical tap root; the stems rather slender, ciliatehirsute, erect from a mostly short-decumbent base, sparingly paniculate-branched above, 15-20cm high: leaves rather numerous, broadly linear, 2-3cm long, the unequal, whitish, hispid hairs with proof to with pustulate bases: spikes slender, moderately dense even in fruit: son-1 fruit: sepals setose-hispid, the stouter setae yellowish, the midrib not evidently thickened, very narrowly lanceolate-acuminate, about 5^{mm} long: nutlets obscurely roughened under a lens, ovate with sub-acute apex, less than 2^{mm} long, the narrow groove forked at base but without conspicuous open areola, similar, usually only three maturing.

This species is allied to C. Pattersoni and to C. ramulosissima. In habit it is intermediate between them, but in floral and fruit characters it differs essentially from both.

The type number is 6440, from Snake river, Yellowstone park, August 13, 1899.

CRYPTANTHE AFFINIS flexuosa.— Evidently allied to *C. affinis*, but a larger plant, 3–5^{dm} high: stems loosely branched from near the base upward, the branches long and flexuous: leaves narrowly oblong, 2–3^{cm} long: fruiting spike long and open: sepals lanceolate-acuminate, densely hispid at base, the tips mostly open and spreading, 6–8^{mm} long: nutlets mottled, smooth and shining, ovate-acute, about 2^{mm} long, the ventral groove nearly closed, forked at the base but without areola.

This may prove worthy of specific rank, but until further material is secured it may best stand as a variety. The species, I think, occurs further toward the west and northwest only.

Secured in Jackson's hole, near Jackson's lake, August 17, 1899.

Mertensia amoena.—Root somewhat woody, more or less branched, surmounted by a branched caudex: branches of the caudex few to several (3–8), crowded, erect, closely covered with dead leaf-bases: stems one or more from each crown, simple, ascending, 1–2^{dm} high, pubescent with short spreading or crisped hairs: crown-leaves oblong-lanceolate, sub-acute, glabrous below, softly hispid-pubescent above and on the margins, 4–7^{cm} long, about one fourth as broad, on slender petioles which are usually longer than the blade: stem leaves rather crowded, broadly linear or narrowly oblanceolate, sessile, 3–6^{cm} long, pubescence similar to that of the root-leaves; inflorescence crowded; calyx-lobes lanceolate, sparsely ciliate-hirsute, about the tube scarcely longer than the campanulate limb, the lobes of the limb about half its length, crests inconspicuous; filaments

broad as the anthers, inserted in the throat, the free portion about as long as the anther; the style nearly as long as the corolla.

This is probably a part of the M. lanceolata (Pursh) DC. of Gray in Proc. Am. Acad. 10:53, and of the Syn. Fl. 2:201, though it is very distinct from what Pursh and De Candolle understood by that species. The original seems to have been that glaucous, glabrous (at most slightly scabrous) plant which we know from the eastern slopes and foothills of the Rocky mountains, and which extends eastward toward the Missouri in the hill regions. rather thick fleshy leaves and has fewer stems. I have for years been familiar with it in southern and eastern Wyoming. During the season of 1899 Montana and northwestern Wyoming, where the species now proposed is common, came under my observation. It did not occur to me that anyone could possibly have called it M. lanceolata, so different are they in the field. M. amoena may be recognized by its cespitose habit, its hirsute (almost cinereous and never glaucous) leaves and stems, and the more crowded inflorescence, which in young plants reminds one of M. oblongifolia. It has the habit and leafiness of M. foliosa, and is more clearly distinct from M. lanceolata than M. Fendleri is from that species.

Collected at Monida, Mont., June 15, no. 5413; Glen creek, Yellowstone park, June 29, 1899, no. 5556; at both of which places it was abundant.

Solidago dilatata.—Perennial, from a woody root surmounted by a branched caudex bearing a few surculiferous branches which terminate in a fascicle of leaves: stems single from the crowns, simple, or branched above, rather stout, somewhat striate, glabrous, 4-6dm high: leaves glabrous, conspicuously reticulate-veiny below, minutely scabro-ciliate on the margins; basal leaves oblong-spatulate to elliptic, tapering into a broad margined petiole which is sometimes as long as the blade, either closely or remotely serrate, mostly obtuse at apex, 8-15cm long; the stem leaves numerous, sessile, mostly small (2-3cm): inflorescence nearly glabrous (some ciliate straggling hairs), paniculately lately corymbose, either compact or quite open, the lower pedunculate branches leafy bracteate: heads numerous, slenderpediceled; the disk about 6mm high; involucral bracts in about three rows, the shorter outer ones very few, the two inner rows sub-equal, minutely ciliate on the margins, linear, most of them obtusish obtusish and slightly dilated upwards: rays 8-10, conspicuous; akenes short and lightly pubescent.