

ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW.

MEMORANDUM.

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Subject Specimens received from Dr. Henriques, July 30, 1917.

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1. The Ficus is F. magnolioides, Borzi, a species described from trees grown at Palermo, Sicily. It is said to have been introduced into Sicily from Southern France. It is also grown in Egypt and probably in other parts of the Mediterranean region. Its native country is unknown, but Mr. Hutchinson thinks it is of American origin. The fruits received with the glycerine material of the following species and named as "near Ficus trigonata, L." have now been recognised as Ficus magnolioides.
2. The suspected "Meliacea" is Leea tinctoria, Lindl. Dr. Henriques will find a figure and some observations concerning the species and the systematic position of Leea in Engler's Jahrb. vol. lvi. <sup>p. 549,</sup> and more about the latter in Hallier's paper "Betracht. über die Verwandtsch. Ampelid. und and. Pflanzenf." which appeared in Nat.



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The floral structure of *Leea* is certainly very puzzling and not well to reconcile with Ampelidaceae not with Meliaceae.

3. Ehretia sp. very near E. cymosa, Thonn. which name covers probably several species.