

is *Vitis idea* (*Vitis idaea* in his Index). This has been taken up as *Vitis-idaea*. It seems to me that the use of this name should be given up.

A similar double-headed generic name is *Uva Ursi*. This was used by Miller (Gard. Dict. Abr. Ed. 4) in 1754, and as *Uva-Ursi* has been taken up in place of *Arctostaphylos* Adans. (1763). It seems to me that the use of this name should also be abandoned. The alternative would be to retain *Vitis-idaea* and *Uva-Ursi* and also take up *Speculum-Veneris*, *Bursa-pastoris*, *Raphanus-rusticanus*, *Gramen-caninum*, *Gramen-nemorosum*, *Filix-mas*, and *Filix-foemina*.

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A YELLOW-FRUITED FORM OF *ILEX MYRTIFOLIA*.—The fruit of all our native species of *Ilex*, except *I. glabra*, *I. lucida*, and *I. Krugiana*, is normally some shade of red or orange. Yellow-fruited forms have been described in *I. opaca* (f. *xanthocarpa* Rehder), *I. laevigata* (f. *Herveyi* Robinson), and *I. verticillata* (f. *chrysocarpa* Robinson). A form of *Ilex cassine* with yellow fruit is mentioned in the manuals, but seems never to have received a name. Yellow-fruited specimens of *Ilex myrtifolia* Walt., a species closely related to *I. cassine* but apparently distinct, were received at the Bureau of Plant Industry in December, 1922, from Mr. George D. Lowe, who had collected them at Baxley, Georgia. More ample specimens have recently been sent by Mr. Lowe, who comments on the attractive appearance of the yellow-fruited shrub, and states that it is known to him only from a small area in the vicinity of Baxley, usually occurring singly at widely separated points, but at one locality about a cypress pond forming about half of the stand, and amounting probably to a thousand plants in a quarter-mile radius. The yellow form has been observed at this last spot for thirty years or more. In view of the possibility of the introduction of this plant into the nursery trade, it may well be distinguished by a formal name.

ILEX MYRTIFOLIA forma **Lowe**i, forma nova.—Fruit golden yellow; leaves linear-elliptic or elliptic, 8–21 mm. long, 2–4 mm. wide.—GEORGIA: Vicinity of Baxley, November, 1923, *George D. Lowe* (type no. 1, 189, 988, U. S. Nat. Herb.; dupls. in herb. Arnold Arb., Gray Herb., N. Y. Bot. Gard.).—S. F. BLAKE, Bureau of Plant Industry, Washington, D. C.

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