

## DIOSCOREACEÆ.

*Dioscorea* sp.

TIMOR LAUT.—The genus *Dioscorea* is a large one, numbering nearly 150 species, generally diffused in tropical and subtropical countries, and a few occurring in temperate regions. Several species are widely cultivated.

## LILIACEÆ.

*Dracæna angustifolia*, Roxb.

*Dracæna angustifolia*, Roxb.; Benth., Fl. Austr., vii. p. 20; Baker in Journ. Linn. Soc. Lond., xiv. p. 526.

*Cordyline rumphii*, Miq., Fl. Ind. Bat., iii. p. 556, *partim*.

TIMOR LAUT.—A miniature tree, ranging from the Himalayas to North-eastern Australia. This is the only true *Dracæna* that reaches Australia. There are about thirty-five species of *Dracæna* spread over the warmer parts of the Old World; the Brazilian species is now referred to *Cordyline*.

*Cordyline terminalis*, Kunth.

*Cordyline terminalis*, Kunth; Baker in Journ. Linn. Soc. Lond., xiv. p. 539; Benth., Fl. Austr., vii. p. 21; Seem., Fl. Vit., p. 311; Mann in Proc. Amer. Acad., vii. p. 207.

*Calodracon terminalis*, Planch.; Miq., Fl. Ind. Bat., iii. p. 558.

*Cordyline sepiaria*, Seem., Fl. Vit., p. 311, t. 94.

*Cordyline australis*, Nadeaud, Enum. Pl. Tahiti, et Jouan in Mém. Soc. Sci. Nat. Cherbourg, xi., 1865, p. 127, *non* Endl.

ARROU; TIMOR LAUT.—Generally spread over Tropical Asia and Polynesia, and North-eastern Australia. There are several varieties cultivated in Polynesia, and Seemann states that it is not wild in the Fijis. Mann also indicates it as one of those plants introduced into the Sandwich Islands by the aborigines. Both Jouan and Nadeaud confound it with the very distinct New Zealand *Cordyline australis*, which bears in common with it the native name "Ti." It appears to exist in almost all of the Pacific Islands, where all parts of the plant are employed in some way. There are about nine species, ranging from India to Australia and New Zealand, where there are four species, and a tenth in Brazil.

*Dianella ensifolia*, Redouté?

*Dianella ensifolia*, Redouté, Lil., t. 1? Benth., Fl. Austr., vii. p. 16; Miq., Fl. Ind. Bat., iii. p. 560; Seem., Fl. Vit., p. 312; Nadeaud, Enum. Pl. Tahiti, p. 34.

ARROU.—There is a little doubt about our plant being the true *Dianella ensifolia*, which is widely spread in Tropical Asia, in the Mascarene and Pacific Islands; also occurring in North-eastern Australia. *Dianella odorata* inhabits the Sandwich Islands, another is found in New Caledonia, a third in New Zealand and Norfolk Island. Finally there are five species in Australia, and four of these are endemic.