

injured and broken by a south-westerly gale. Experience has now shown that larger crops may be procured with much greater certainty by dwarfing and sheltering the trees, and it has now

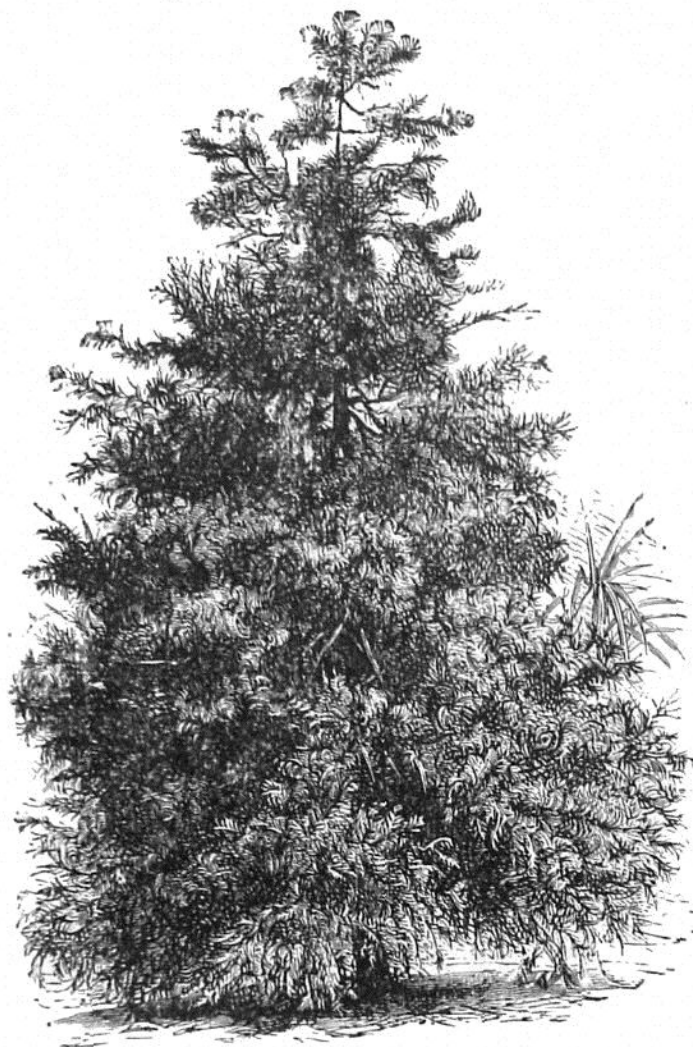


FIG. 9.—*Cryptomeria Japonica*, in the Garden of M. José do Canto, San Miguel. (From a photograph.)

become a nearly universal practice to surround the rectangular orchards or gardens, there called “quintas,” with a lava wall; and, further, to break the wind still more effectually, to plant within the wall a hedge of quickly growing evergreen-trees, which is allowed to overtop it by twenty feet or so, and to scatter tall evergreens wherever there is a clear space among the orange-trees, which are pruned and regulated so as to keep well below their level.

These tall hedges, intersecting the country in all directions, have a peculiar but rather agreeable effect. Almost all the