

## Notes and References

1. The articles in *The Azalean* about ‘Ambrosia’ and ‘Opal’ were Winter 2014-15 36(4) and Fall 2020 42(3) respectively.

2. L’Obel practiced medicine in England and Belgium and participated in botanical expeditions which resulted in a number of major publications. During the course of his career, he was the personal physician to several monarchs including James I of England. Of botanical significance, L’Obel made an effort to develop a classification system based of leaf morphology and was said to have been a major influence on Linnaeus. In addition, he is remembered for being the first to recognize the difference between monocots and dicots. His name takes several additional forms: Matthew Lobel (anglicized) and Matthaeus Lobelius (latinized).

3. Plumier, a monk of the order of St. Francesco di Paula after whom the genus *Plumeria* is named (think frangipani), is regarded as one of the most important botanical explorers of his time. Serving as botanist to Louis XIV of France, he discovered, drew, and described many plants and animals during his many trips to the New World. A number of his generic names were kept by Linnaeus: *Fuchsia* named for Leonhart Fuchs, *Begonia* named for Michel Begon, and *Magnolia* named for Pierre Magnol.

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5. *Passages from the American Note-books of Nathaniel Hawthorne*, [edited by Sophia Hawthorne, Copyright 1858 by Sophia Hawthorne, Copyright 1883 by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Vol. IX of the Riverside Edition, Boston: Houghton, Mifflin and Company, 1883], <https://www.ibiblio.org/eldritch/nh/pfanb01.html>, Saturday, August 13, 1842.

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8. The round seed capsule is initially green with red markings, but turns brown as it ages. As the seeds mature, the capsule opens at the top. The tiny seeds are gold in color and covered in a rough network of ridges. The seeds are small enough to be wind-borne and volunteers are the rule rather than the exception.

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