Solidago rigida

[Synonyms : *Oligoneuron canescens*, *Oligoneuron rigidum*, *Solidago altissima*]

HARDLEAF GOLDENROD is a perennial. Native to eastern North America it has small yellow flowers.

It is also known as Bone styptic, Broad-leaved goldenrod, Rigid goldenrod, Stiff goldenrod, and Tall goldenrod.

Rigida is derived from Latin *rigeo* (inflexible, unbending, stiff, rigid) meaning 'rigid or stiff'.

From records it would appear that a few North American Indian tribes viewed the plant as a source of medicines. Chippewa Indians used it to treat urinary and rectal problems – and the Meskwaki applied a flower lotion to facial swelling or bee stings.

It is said to be a possible source of rubber.

Medicinally, hardleaf goldenrod has been used to treat haemorrhages.

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