

**8548 to 8552—Continued.**

**8549.** TRITICUM VULGARE.

Pure white wheat, grown on slightly salty land irrigated with canal water. (No. 2.)

**8550.** TRITICUM DURUM.

Round red wheat, grown on slightly salty land irrigated with canal water. (No. 3.)

**8551.** TRITICUM DURUM.

Round white wheat, grown on strong black soil irrigated with canal water. (No. 4.)

**8552.** TRITICUM DURUM.

*Wadamak.* Grown on light, slightly sandy soil irrigated with well water.

**8553 to 8562.**

From Christiania, Norway. Presented by Prof. C. Doxrud, of the Christiania School of Technology, for testing in comparison with seeds from other countries. Received April 2, 1902.

**8553.** PHILEUM PRATENSE. Timothy.

**8554.** DACTYLIS GLOMERATA. Orchard grass.

**8555.** TRIFOLIUM PRATENSE. Red clover.

**8556.** TRIFOLIUM HYBRIDUM. Alsike clover.

**8557.** PISUM SATIVUM. Pea.

*Early.*

**8558.** AVENA SATIVA. Oat.

**8559.** HORDEUM HEXASTICHUM. Barley.

**8560.** HORDEUM DISTICHUM. Barley.

**8561.** TRITICUM VULGARE. Wheat.

*Red spring.*

**8562.** PISUM SATIVUM. Pea.

*Sueding.*

**8563 and 8564. PHOENIX DACTYLIFERA. Date.**

From Kurrachee, India. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 830, February 1, 1902), April 4, 1902.

*Cupeap, Chupechap, or Cupeup.* "This is a variety of the *Karak pokhta*, or cooked dates, and is considered one of the best of its class. These cooked dates are prepared in the following way: The fruits are picked before fully ripe, while still full, plump, and slightly astringent. They are boiled for an hour in fresh water, to which one handful of salt per gallon of water is added. After boiling they are spread out in the sun to dry. These boiled dates are sold in large quantities in India. They form an indispensable part of every marriage feast. Higher prices are paid for them in India, I am informed, than for the dates shipped to America. This sort is, when properly prepared, quite sweet, in fact, tastes quite as if candied. The slight flavor of tannin may be due to careless preparation. It is a fairly early date, coming into fruit about Maskat in July. It is also a good date to eat fresh. It keeps almost indefinitely. There are several qualities of this variety. That marked *a* came from Kurrachee, while *b* was secured in Maskat." (*Fairchild.*)