

9291. XANTHOXYLON PIPERITUM. Japanese pepper.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1063, August, 1902), February 28, 1903.

"A small shrub, the leaves of which are very agreeably aromatic and are used most effectively by Japanese housewives and by Europeans in Japan as a garniture. It would form a very acceptable variation from the conventional parsley. The small round fruits, flower buds, and leaves are boiled with meat dishes to give them a flavor, and the fruits are always served after meals as a digestive." (*Fairchild.*)

9292. TROCHODENDRON ARALIODES. Birdlime tree.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through The Yokohama Nursery Company, February 28, 1903.

(This seed was apparently substituted by the Nursery Company for L. and F. No. 1064, *Ilex integra.*) (See 9293.)

9293. TROCHODENDRON ARALIODES. Birdlime tree.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1065, August, 1902), January 6, 1903.

"A species of tree the bark of which is macerated and made into birdlime in Japan. This tree produces the best birdlime in the country, it is said, and there is an export of the article to Europe." (*Fairchild.*)

9294. FAGOPYRUM ESCULENTUM. Buckwheat.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1066, August, 1902), January 6, 1903.

Sando Soba. From Nagano. "This Nagano buckwheat is famous in Japan, where all sorts of cakes, macaroni, and tarts are made from its flour. The question of the uses of buckwheat in Japan would form a very interesting and profitable study, for there are a hundred ways. I imagine, in which the buckwheat is employed, whereas we know of only a few." (*Fairchild.*)

9295. FAGOPYRUM ESCULENTUM. Buckwheat.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1067, August, 1902), January 6, 1903.

"A species of *Fagopyrum* which is said to be inferior to *F. esculentum*, but is cultivated and may be of interest for breeding purposes." (*Fairchild.*)

9296. JUNIPERUS CHINENSIS VAR. PROCUMBENS.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1068, August, 1902), January 6, 1903.

"A beautiful procumbent juniper which is used most effectively as a substitute for lawns on sloping embankments. It covers them with a mass of luxuriant foliage which is strikingly effective. In the Tokyo Botanic Gardens there is a very attractive lawn made in this way. The plants should be set about 3 feet apart each way and allowed to run freely in all directions until they completely cover the ground with a thick mat 12 to 18 inches deep. It will probably prove hardy about Washington." (*Fairchild.*)

9297 and 9298. SOLANUM MELONGENA. Eggplant.

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (No. 1069, August, 1902), January 6, 1903.

9297.

Naga nasu. "Considered the best variety in Japan, where eggplants are very largely eaten. They are even used for candying purposes. A candied eggplant is very delicate indeed, tasting something like a fig." (*Fairchild.*)

9298.

Maru nasu. "A round, black variety of eggplant, sold everywhere in the markets of Japan." (*Fairchild.*)