

**30025 and 30026. STRYCHNOS spp.**

From Amani, German East Africa. Presented by the director, Biologisch-Landw. Institut. Received March 9, 1911.

Seeds of the following:

**30025. STRYCHNOS sp.**

**30026. STRYCHNOS QUAQUA Gilg.**

*Distribution.*—The vicinity of Quilimane, in the Mozambique district of East Africa.

“Introduced for the work of this office in bringing together all the members of this genus with edible fruits, in the hope of finding some worthy additions to the list of semitropical fruits standing shipment well. One edible species, *Strychnos spinosa*, has fruits as large as a small pomelo, with a shell that requires a hammer to crack it.” (Fairchild.)

**30027. MEDICAGO FALCATA L.****Siberian alfalfa.**

From Svalöf, Sweden. Presented by Dr. N. H. Nilsson, director, Swedish Seed-Breeding Association. Received March 8, 1911.

“This is seed from our real *Medicago falcata*, which grows wild in most parts of our country and is a very good species. Its harvest value is not very great, as it is frequently lying down, but as a pasture plant it is more valuable. It turns vast dry stretches of sandy (but calcareous) ground into excellent pasture fields, where an astonishingly great number of cattle can feed the whole summer. The seed should be prepared in order to make it germinate.” (Nilsson.)

**30030 to 30032. PYRUS spp.****Wild pears.**

From Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, Algiers. Received March 3, 1911.

Cuttings of the following; quoted notes by Dr. Trabut:

**30030. PYRUS LONGIPES Coss. and Dur.**

“A large fruit.”

**30031. PYRUS GHARBENSIS Trabut.**

“This is near to *Pyrus longipes*, but is sufficiently characterized by the form of the leaves and the fruit. This pear grows on the tufas in the region of Lamoricere, Daya. I called it *gharbensis* from the name of the region which formed part of the ancient kingdom of Gharb (of the west), at the time of Arab domination.”

**30032. PYRUS sp.**

“A *Pyrus* which I have not yet distinguished, and which occurs in the basins of the high plateaus on the edge of the Great Shott, a location more calcareous and even alkaline. (This *Pyrus* has been provisionally assigned to *P. gharbensis*, but it is not identical.)”

**30033. PYRUS sp.****Wild pear.**

From Algiers, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, Botanic Gardens. Received March 6, 1911.

“Seeds of a pear occurring on the calcareous tuffs in the dry region south of Oran. Stock good for very calcareous soils.” (Trabut.)

NOTE.—This seed was received under the name *Pyrus gharbensis*.