

to Spain by thousands of tons. A collection from Seville should awaken new interest in this dry-region legume (Nos. 43273 to 43280).

It would seem reasonable that the *Buchanania* (No. 43038), from the dry forests of Burma and India, which is leafless for a period and which ascends to an altitude of 3,000 feet, might be adapted to Florida and that its pellucid gum and varnish, as well as its oily kernels, which are said to resemble in flavor something between the almond and the pistache and to be much prized as a sweetmeat, may become articles of importance, much as the products of the pistache, to which it is related, are beginning to be in California.

A large collection of fruit varieties, mostly of New Zealand origin and comprising some selections and hybrids made by W. E. Lippiatt, J. F. Smith, and H. E. Sharp, is already making a good showing in the trial nurseries at Chico, Calif.; and American horticulturists will be interested to learn whether any of them prove especially adapted to American conditions (Nos. 43124 to 43186).

Twenty years ago Prof. Hansen obtained for the Bureau of Plant Industry some seed of a Russian sweet corn called the Malakoff. This variety appears in the Canadian gardens under the name Early Malcolm and has even been crossed with the Early Adams, producing a new variety called Early Ottawa. These seem to be the only varieties which are early enough to mature properly in the region around Ottawa, Canada, and therefore deserve to be better known in northern regions with similar short seasons (Nos. 43117 and 43118).

The breeders in the northern tier of States who are engaged in the production of hardier raspberries will take a particular interest in the selections of *Rubus strigosus* which were made by Mr. M. J. Dorsey, of the University of Minnesota. Mr. Dorsey was sent as an explorer to the Riding Mountains and Lake Winnipeg, where he found wild forms of especial promise for breeding and selection purposes (Nos. 43195 to 43201).

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