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and the bright-red oval fruit, a quarter of an inch in diameter, usually contains three stones. One of the most effective fruiting shrubs for rockeries. (Adapted from *Bailey, Standard Cyclopaedia of Horticulture, vol. 3, p. 865.*)

43993. COTONEASTER NITENS Rehd. and Wils. Malaceae.

A shrub from western China, up to 4½ feet high, with deciduous, oval, obtuse, shining green leaves up to half an inch or more long; probably pink flowers, and nearly black fruits, either solitary or in pairs, up to one-sixteenth of an inch long, and containing two stones. In its native country it grows at elevations of 7,500 to 10,000 feet. (Adapted from *Sargent, Plantae Wilsonianae, vol. 1, pp. 156-157.*)

43994. COTONEASTER OBSCURA Rehd. and Wils. Malaceae.

A shrub from western China, up to 10 feet in height, with elliptic-oval leaves, 1 to 2 inches long. The fruit is dull red, one-third of an inch long, and generally contains three stones. The flowers are white. (Adapted from *Bailey, Standard Cyclopaedia of Horticulture, vol. 2, p. 867.*)

43995. COTONEASTER TENUIPES Rehd. and Wils. Malaceae.

A gracefully branched deciduous shrub from western China, up to 7 feet tall, with oval or elliptic-oval sharp-pointed leaves about 1½ inches long. The flowers are white; the fruits are nearly black, usually solitary, and contain two stones. (Adapted from *Sargent, Plantae Wilsonianae, vol. 1, p. 171.*)

43996. SORBUS POITASHANENSIS (Hance) Hedl. Malaceae.

An evergreen shrub from northern China, with reddish brown twigs, leaves composed of six to seven pairs of elliptic or lance-elliptic leaflets from 1½ to 2 inches long, and red fruits about one-third of an inch in diameter. This shrub is in cultivation at the Arnold Arboretum. (Adapted from *Schneider, Illustriertes Handbuch der Laubholzkunde, vol. 1, p. 672.*)

43997 and 43998.

From Caracas, Venezuela. Collected by Dr. J. N. Rose, associate curator, United States National Museum. Received January 5, 1917.

43997. FRAGARIA VESCA L. Rosaceae.**Strawberry.**

"Strawberries are found wild in the mountains, but Dr. Ernst declares that they are not native." (*Rose.*)

43998. PSIDIUM GUAJAVA L. Myrtaceae.**Guava.**

"Seeds of a very large guava, the largest I have ever seen. It is 4 inches long and resembles somewhat a large Bartlett pear. It may be known to you, but is new to me. It is called at Caracas the 'Peruvian guava,' but I saw nothing like it in Peru in 1914. It has only recently been introduced into Caracas. I obtained the seeds from Mr. Frederick L. Pantin, acting manager of the Caracas & La Guaira Railroad." (*Rose.*)