

49340. CASTANOPSIS HYSTRIX A. DC. Fagaceæ.

From Darjiling, India. Seeds presented by G. H. Cave, curator, Lloyd Botanic Garden. Received March 18, 1920.

A low evergreen tree with wide-spreading branches, fairly common at low altitudes on Mount Omei, Szechwan, and in the surrounding country. The contrast between the rufous-brown young leaves and the shining green upper surfaces of the older leaves is striking. (Adapted from *Sargent, Plantae Wilsonianae, vol. 3, pt. 1-2, p. 197.*)

49341. SACCHARUM OFFICINARUM L. Poaceæ. Sugar cane.

From Cienfuegos, Cuba. Seeds presented by Robert M. Grey, Harvard Botanical Station. Received January 29, 1920.

"High in sugar, averaging from 19 to 20 per cent sucrose in our own hand-mill analyses." (*Grey.*)

49342. TRITICUM AESTIVUM L. Poaceæ. Wheat.
(*T. vulgare* Vill.)

From New South Wales. Seed obtained through J. W. T. Duvel, United States Grain Corporation, New York. Received January 31, 1920.

Roseworth. [This is the name of an agricultural station in New South Wales. No description of this variety is at present available.]

49343. ROSA LAXA Retz. Rosaceæ. Rose.

From Elstree, Herts, England. Seeds presented by Hon. Vicary Gibbs, Aldenham House Gardens. Received January 31, 1919.

A beautiful single rose, native to the Altai Mountains and central Siberia. It has arching stems, seven to nine oblong, serrate leaflets, and very attractive white or pink flowers which are borne singly or in twos or threes. The globose pulpy fruits are bright red. (Adapted from *Willmott, The Genus Rosa, pt. 8, pl. 53.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 47161.

49344. HAEMATOSTAPHIS PIERREANA Engl. Anacardiaceæ.

From Lambarene, Gabon, French Equatorial Africa. Seeds presented by Edward A. Ford, Société des Missions Evangéliques de Paris. Received January 31, 1920.

"Seeds of a native fruit which I saw for the first time only recently. It has a very acrid taste, but makes excellent jam. I have not seen the tree; the name given me by the Fang people is *fogo*. It may be the same as the *ofos*, *Pseudospondias longifolia* (*Haematostaphis pierreana*), but I am not sure." (*Ford.*)

A tall tree with dense foliage composed of unequally pinnate membranous leaves over a foot in length. The fruit is ovoid with a thick layer of flesh, and is about an inch in length. (Adapted from *Engler, Botanische Jahrbücher, vol. 36, p. 219.*)

49345. COIX LACRYMA-JOBI L. Poaceæ. Job's-tears.

From Hangchow, Chekiang, China. Seeds collected by O. F. Cook, of the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. Received February 2, 1920.

"A form of Job's-tears with somewhat flattened seeds." (*Cook.*)