

62751 to 62753.

From Chihli, China. Scions collected by P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 6, 1925. Notes by Mr. Dorsett.

January 15, 1925. From the Fa Hua Ssu temple, Silver Mountain, near Haitzu, at an altitude of 1,200 feet.

62751. AMYGDALUS PERSICA PLATYCARPA (Decaisne) Ricker. Amygdalaceae.
Flat peach.

No. 1869. The fruit, which ripens in early August, is creamy white with a pink blush and is about 2 inches in diameter.

62752. AMYGDALUS PERSICA L. (*Prunus persica* Stokes). Amygdalaceae.
Peach.

No. 1870. A large Chinese freestone peach, about 3 to 3½ inches in diameter, which ripens in August. The fruits are white with a pink blush.

62753. PRUNUS sp. Amygdalaceae. Plum.

No. 1868. The fruits ripen in July and are about 1 to 1½ inches in diameter. The skin and flesh are both yellow.

62754. XANTHOSOMA CARACU KOCH and Bouche. Araceae. **Yautia.**

From San Juan, Porto Rico. Cormels presented by O. W. Barrett, agricultural adviser, Department of Agriculture and Labor. Received March 6, 1925.

Rollica. This is the best variety native to Porto Rico. It may be grown on a variety of soils. The yield is 2 to 4 pounds per hill. The tubers are of large size, white, mealy, and smooth. The rhizome is also eaten. It occurs in Belize, Trinidad, and Cuba. A very similar form produces larger (?) tubers in Venezuela. (*Barrett.*)

62755 to 62761.

From Orleans, France. Plants presented by Leon Chénault, through David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 9, 1925.

62755. BERBERIS RUGICANS Hort. Berberidaceae. **Barberry.**

A striking, new species having a peculiarly handsome red foliage. (*Fairchild.*)

62756. × BERBERIS STENOPHYLLA Lindl. Berberidaceae. **Barberry.**

Var. *Irwini*. A plant of compact habit; excellent for the rock garden. (*Chénault.*)

A hybrid between *Berberis darwini* and *B. stenophylla*. (*Fairchild.*)

62757. COTONEASTER SALICIFOLIA FLOCCOSA Rehd. and Wils. Malvaceae.

A graceful shrub, up to 13 feet high, which bears dense corymbs of white flowers and light-red, roundish fruits. Native to western China at altitudes of 7,500 to 9,800 feet.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 60649.

62758 to 62760. PAEONIA spp. Ranunculaceae.

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62758. PAEONIA LUTEA Delavay. **Golden peony.**

A shrubby Chinese peony, with a short, woody stem 1 or 2 feet high and deep-green, leathery, 3-parted leaves, white beneath, and about a foot in length. The golden yellow, single or slightly double flowers are 2½ inches across.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 59425.

62759 and 62760. PAEONIA LUTEA × ? **Peony.**

62759. Madame Louis Henry. A hybrid of *Paeonia lutea* bearing large, semidouble flowers which are a brilliant deep carmine, shaded with coppery yellow, sometimes bronzed buff yellow; the numerous stamens are a unique orange yellow. (*Chénault.*)

62760. Souvenir du Professeur Maxime Cornu, a hybrid of *Paeonia lutea*. The very large, fragrant full flowers of perfect form are bright yellow, the edges of the petals being carmine pink. (*Chénault.*)

62761. PRUNUS CERASIFERA Ehrh. Amygdalaceae.

Var. *Bliricana flore-pleno*. A variety bearing large, double, pink flowers, of a beautiful shape. (*Chénault.*)

62762. PYRUS sp. Malvaceae. **Pear.**

From Chihli, China. Scions collected by P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 31, 1925.

No. 2116. Chiu-chou, February 13, 1925. *Ya Li* (duck pear). This pear is light yellow, about 3 inches in diameter, and ripens about the middle of September. (*Dorsett.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 62262.

62763. VIBURNUM DAVIDI Franch. Caprifoliaceae.

From Orleans, France. Seedlings presented by Leon Chénault, through David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 9, 1925.

This hardy Chinese viburnum, one of the most distinct of the genus, grows 10 to 30 inches high and flourishes in the shade on peaty soil. It has large, persistent, shining green leaves resembling those of a rhododendron. The current year's shoots terminate in umbels of white flowers, which appear in April. These flowers are succeeded by steel-blue fruits which ripen during the autumn.

62764. CASTANEA sp. Fagaceae. **Chestnut.**

From Chihli, China. Seeds collected by P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 10, 1925.

No. 1871. Fa Hua Ssu temple, Silver Mountain, near Haitzu, January 15, 1925. These chestnuts are said to ripen later than those sent in under Nos. 790 and 791 [S. P. I. Nos. 61834 and 61835]. (*Dorsett.*)