

*Malus baccata* (L.) Moench. (Malaceae.) 44283. **Crabapple** seeds from Peking, China. Collected by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, December 15, 1916. "*Hai tan kuo*, meaning 'Sea red fruit'. A medium-sized crabapple, of bright red color and of pleasant sour taste. Calyx deciduous; peduncle medium long. Much used in the north of China as a preserve. This variety seems to be able to stand considerable drought and alkali, and might be of value in breeding experiments in the Upper Mississippi valley." (Meyer.)

*Malus spectabilis* (Ait.) Borkhausen. (Malaceae.) 44281. Seeds of flowering **crabapple** from Peking, China. Collected by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, November 3, 1916. "*Hai tan kuo*, meaning 'Sea red fruit', implying that the plant came to North China by the sea route, probably from Central China. A flowering crabapple, resistant to drouth and to the alkali of North Chinese soils. The small, greenish white fruits, which are of no value, have a persistent calyx. To be sown out to obtain new types." (Meyer.)

*Myrianthus arboreus* Beauv. (Moraceae.) 44250. Seed from Loanda, Angola, Africa. Presented by Mr. J. Gossweller. A tree, native of tropical Africa, with large entire or 3 to 5-lobed leaves with prominent stipules. The male flowers are borne on thick branching receptacles, and the female flowers appear in solitary head-like inflorescences. The fleshy fruits are edible. (Adapted from A. Engler, Die Pflanzenwelt Ost-Africas und der Nachbargebiete, part C, p. 162.)

*Populus szechuanica* Schneider. (Salicaceae.) 44424. A **poplar** from Elstree, Herts. Presented by Hon. Vicary Gibbs, through Mr. E. Beckett, The Gardens, Aldenham House. A common tree in the forests of Szechwan, China, growing to a large size, with massive branches and stout branchlets. It has very large, ovate-elongated or rounded leaves. It is hardy in the north-eastern United States. (Adapted from L. H. Bailey, Standard Cyclopedia of Horticulture, vol. 5, p. 2765.)

*Prunus serrulata* Lindley. (Amygdalaceae.) 42296-44311. Cuttings from Yokohama, Japan. Purchased from the Yokohama Nursery Company. Japanese flowering cherries. Scions of 16 varieties of cherries including some of the most beautiful forms.