

we counted, together, 266 good-sized canes about thirty feet tall. One is  $12\frac{1}{2}$  inches in circumference 1 inch above the ground. The range is from 5 to  $12\frac{1}{2}$  inches in circumference. On each side of his house, Mr. Fant has plantings of the true Moso bamboo, *Phyllostachys pubescens*, or *P. mitis* as it was formerly called. On the right the clump had been cut back and was low and bushy; on the left the culms were tall, almost to the roof of the two-story house. Mr. Fant explained that the clump on the right had been killed or at least seriously injured by a freeze of  $2^{\circ}$  F., which occurred February 15, 1918. He had cut the bamboo to the ground as soon as the new growth began, April 15, so that the dead culms were annoying for only two months. By May 10, the bushy growth had attained its present height. This is an important fact, for it indicates how quick will be the recovery from frost injury and of how little consequence is the fact that once in a while the grove will be killed down. The house protected the clump on the sheltered side." (Fairchild, Report of Southern Trip, 1918.)

*Rosa gentiliana* (Rosaceae), 47359. **Rose.** From Witcombe, Gloucester, England. Seeds presented by Lady Harriet Thiselton-Dyer, "The Ferns." A rose which is abundant in the mountainous region of western Hupeh and eastern Szechuan, where it forms tangled masses 6 meters ( $18\frac{1}{4}$  ft.) or more in height. The numerous, large, white flowers are very fragrant and the anthers are golden yellow. The species is easily distinguished by its glabrous pale gray shoots and the three- to five-foliate leaves which are shining green above and very pallid beneath. (Adapted from Sargent, *Plantae Wilsonianae*, vol. 2, p. 312.)

*Xanthosoma* sp. (Araceae), 47361. **Yautia.** From Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, B. W. I. Corms presented by Mr. Claude Connell, through Mr. F. W. Urich, entomologist, Board of Agriculture. "A *yautia*, with reddish buds, received under the name of 'nut eddo.' The flesh of the corms is yellowish when cooked and of fair flavor." (Young.)

#### Notes on Behavior of Previous Introductions.

In a letter dated April 9, 1919, Mr. A. B. Stout, director of the laboratories, New York Botanical Garden, makes the following report: "I am having a