

56677. *CASTANEA* sp. According to Mr. Rock this is a fine tree growing 60 to 100 feet high with trunks 4 to 5 feet in diameter. The burs occur in spikes and the nuts are small and sweet, something like a chinquapin. The leaves are obovate, about 3 inches long and $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide. They taper rather abruptly at the base and have a rounded apex. The margins are coarsely sinuate. The veins on the lower surface are prominent.

56768. *CASTANEA* sp. This is a fine lofty tree 80 to 100 feet high with a trunk 3 feet in diameter. According to Mr. Rock, the smooth, fawn-colored bark is flaky, and the straight, ascending branches give the tree an oblong appearance. It is said to be one of the finest forest trees of the region. It is found at an altitude of 6,000 feet. The nuts are small, resembling those of the chinquapin. In the seedling stage the leaves of this chestnut resemble very closely those of S.P.I. No. 56130. They are lanceolate, 3 to 5 inches long and about one inch wide at the widest part. The edges are smooth, base broadly tapering, apex narrow and long.

56777. *CASTANEA* sp. This is another small-fruited *Castanea* with more or less triangular nuts. It was collected November 12, 1922, and received January 18, 1923. There is no information as to the size and character of the tree. The leaves of the seedlings are small, 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches long, light green above and below, lanceolate with faintly sinuate edges.

56296. *CASTANOPSIS* sp. A tree growing 70 to 80 feet in height. The nuts were collected on the slopes of the Likiang Snow Range at an altitude of 10,000 feet. Collections were made in October, 1922, and received in Washington February 2, 1923. The nuts are small, resembling small acorns; they are said to be sweet and edible.

56297. *CASTANOPSIS* sp. According to Mr. Rock, this is one of the finest and largest species of *Castanopsis* in Yunnan Province. It reaches a height of 80 feet and has a diameter of 2 to 3 feet. The nuts were collected at an altitude of 8,000 feet. It is a fine timber tree, free from disease. Mr. Rock's collections were made in November, 1922, and were received in Washington February 2, 1923. The nuts are quite small, resembling small acorns, and are edible and sweet.

56300. *CASTANOPSIS* sp. A tree 60 to 80 feet high with a trunk 2 to 3 feet in diameter, found at altitudes of 7,000 to 8,000 feet. The nuts are small, more or less triangular and flattened. They were collected in November, 1922, and received in Washington February 2, 1923. According to Mr. Rock the nuts are sweet.

56489. *CASTANOPSIS* sp. This is a fine tree growing 60 to 80 feet tall with a straight trunk 2 to 3 feet in diameter. The nuts were collected at an altitude of about 7,000 feet. They closely resemble small chestnuts, being at first brown, then becoming black. They are also sweet and edible. The genera *Castanopsis* and *Castanea* are closely allied and differ chiefly in their flowers.