

JAPAN, Nagasaki. Wm. D. Hills, Oct. 6. Sends information re packing bamboos. Sends samples of hemp cloth and of one Korean cloth said to be made of bamboo fiber.

JAPAN, Yokohama. Rev. H. Loomis, Oct. 13. Offers to send scions of Japanese persimmons at any time.

PHILIPPINES, Manila. Wm. S. Lyon, Sept. 29. Sends seeds of *Garcinia* sp.

SPAIN, Madrid. R. M. Bartleman, Oct. 19. Sends samples of cane laths.

SYRIA, Beirut. G. Bie Ravndal, Oct. 10. Best pomegranates in Syria are grown at Sidon; best time for cutting bud-sticks is month of Feb. Most popular varieties of sweet pomegranates there are Matissah and Bint el Basha. The Mawardi variety is also rather sweet. The Mukl el Bagel is somewhat tart; so is the Zaffani, but not as acid as the Suneiny. Sends bud sticks of these 6 varieties and promises to send others later.

TRANSVAAL, Pretoria. J. Burt Davy, Oct. 12. Sends pamphlet "Native trees of Transvaal," and information re *Trichilia emetica* and other spp.

#### RECENT VISITORS.

CHILI. Nov. 2. Dr. Carlos Camacho of the Chilian Dept. of Agriculture. He is Director of the Station of Vegetable Pathology, and is visiting similar stations in the United States and Europe. Will be in town for 3 months, 1453 Mass. Ave.

PALESTINE. Mr. Howel Jones, General Land Agent of the Santa Fe, is going to Palestine. Now at Topeka, Kans.