

MALUS SPP. (Malaceae.) 30950-951. Cuttings of cultivated apples, from Aksu, Chinese Turkestan. 30950. "A variety of cultivated apple, called 'Kabak alma.' Said to be large, of oblong shape, of white color, and ripening in summer. The trees have a drooping, spreading habit and are said to bear abundantly only every other year. Of value possibly in those sections of the United States where the summers are hot and dry, but the winters moderately cold and where ordinary apples do not succeed." 30951. "A variety of cultivated apple, called 'kizlik alma.' Said to be a real good variety of winter apple. Shape oblong, medium size, colored red on one side and greenish white on the other. Ripens in November, of good keeping qualities and a prolific bearer. To be tested like No. 30950." (Meyer's introductions.) For distribution later.

MUSA SP. (Musaceae.) 30828. Suckers of a banana from Pirapo, Paraguay. Presented by Mr. C. F. Mead. "Paraguayan banana, botanical name unknown unless it is a sport from *Musa sapientium*. Grows to a height of 20 to 25 feet, very large and heavy leaves which ravel easily by wind making a dirty and unpopular banana plant. Fruit in very large bunches up to 100 pounds in weight and classed by many travelers as the finest flavored of all bananas, which is my experience also as compared to Hawaiian, Mexican, Central American and Brazilian bananas." (Mead.) For distribution later.

OLEA EUROPAEA. (Oleaceae.) 30741. Truncheons of olive from Sfax, Tunis. Purchased from Messrs. Chatel and Jacquemart, through Mr. T. H. Kearney. "Chemlali. This is an olive with very small fruit, very rich in oil, and a heavy yielder, adapted to the driest, hottest region known in which olive culture flourishes, the rainfall at Sfax, in southern Tunis, where it is the only variety grown extensively, averaging about ten inches yearly, and sometimes falling to five or six inches as the average for several successive years." (Kearney.) For distribution later.

PHORMIUM SPP. (Liliaceae.) 30831-832. Seeds of two species of New Zealand flax from Greendale, Canterbury, New Zealand. Presented by Mr. T. W. Adams. 30831. *Phormium tenax*. "Seeds of several varieties that I have growing here, several of which are ornamental, and all are good fiber sorts." 30832. *Phormium cookianum*. "This variety is ornamental in flower and fruit, but poor as a fiber plant." (Notes by Mr. Adams.) For distribution later.

POPULUS SP. (Salicaceae.) 30922. Cuttings of a poplar from Yengi-Malah, Thian Shan, Chinese Turkestan. Altitude 7950 feet. "A species of wild poplar, called 'tagh terek.'