



POPULUS PRUINOSA. PRUINOSE POPLAR.

"Desert landscape with old specimens of *Populus pruinosa* in the background and tamarisk mounds in between." From photograph by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, near Kuldscha, Chinese Turkestan, February, 1911. Mr. Meyer further describes this tree: "A species of desert poplar, called 'Thal Tograk'. Occurring in big groves in sandy and alkaline deserts mostly intermixed with *Populus diversifolia* (See next half-tone), to which it bears great resemblance in general habits. The wood is used in the same way as that of *P. diversifolia*, except that as this species in general does not grow so large, one cannot manufacture troughs or barrels from it; it is, however, said that this wood is harder and more lasting. This poplar will be able to stand more intense heat and drought, but slightly less severe cold than *P. diversifolia*." Nos. 30230 and 30921.