

POPULUS SPP. (Salicaceae.) 34789-801. Plants of poplars from Novospassko, Russia. Purchased from Mr. A. Woeikov. Thirteen species of poplars, all of which are reputed to be of especial hardiness, and several of which are extremely ornamental and more or less resistant to drought and alkali. For distribution later.

QUERCUS SUBER. (Fagaceae.) 34710. Acorns of cork oak from North Augusta, S. C. Presented by Dr. W. E. Mealing. "Collected from trees presumably sent out by the Patent Office before the Department of Agriculture was established." (Mr. Peter Bisset, at whose request they were presented.) For distribution later. See plate.

NOTES FROM FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

BRITISH GUIANA. Georgetown. Mr. Jas. S. Ogilvie writes that so far he has been unable to procure for us the flowers, leaves and fruit of the different poison plants we wanted. He hopes to be able to get at least one blotter through about next March.

Mr. F. A. Stockdale, formerly assistant Director of Agriculture and Government Botanist, has accepted the position of Director of Agriculture of Mauritius.

CHINA. Szechuan. Chentu. Philip Hofman writes August 28: "This is the season of the persimmon out here and if you have ever tasted good Chinese seedless persimmons I know that your mouth will water for them. There are several varieties of the persimmon in West China. At present we are enjoying the red peach shaped variety, and later will come larger square shaped and large tomato shaped kinds. I have also eaten a variety that is very hard to the feel but quite as delicious as the mushy varieties. One eats these like apples rather than like cantaloupes with a spoon."

CHINA. Yunnan. Mr. A.K. Bulley writes from Liverpool, England, that Mr. George Forrest, who has been collecting al-pines in Yunnan for an English amateur has been driven back from Teng Guch to Bhamo. Mr. F. Kingdon Ward goes out for Bees Ltd. (Mr. A. K. Bulley) next spring, but "Heaven only knows where!"

JAPAN. From the American Consulate General, Seoul, Korea (Chosen), Miss Eliza R. Scidmore, collaborator, reports as follows on Japanese beans and bean candies and jellies:

As mameya or bean shops, are more numerous in the streets