

the nature of the tree and the climate where it grows, one might conclude that sheltered valleys in the foothill sections of the Rocky Mountain regions will probably suit this chestnut better than any other section in the United States and some serious attempts should be made to establish it in these regions as a hardy nut bearing tree." (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.

*Cocos coronata*. (Phoenicaceae.) 36927. Seeds of the nicuri palm from Bahia, Brazil. "A species common in the region around the city of Bahia. It grows to a height of 20 or 30 feet, and is usually somewhat scraggly in appearance, on account of the leaves being whipped and torn by the wind. The old leaf bases usually adhere to the trunk, and are arranged spirally, giving a curious twisted appearance to the palm. The leaves are glaucous, and when well grown are very graceful, though not as feathery as *Cocos plumosa* and others of that type. In the interior of Bahia this palm is very abundant, according to Dr. Argollo Ferrao, and goats feed on the fruits. The hard pericarp of the seed encloses a kernel which is fed to chickens, and is sometimes eaten by the people themselves. The leaves are used as thatch, for making brooms, carpets and hats; the nicuri hat is commonly worn by the natives in the rural districts around Bahia, and is sold in the markets for from two or three hundred reis to one milreis (11 to 54 cents) each, according to quality. The plant is of very slow growth." (Dorsett, Popenoe and Shamel introduction.) For distribution later.

*Corylus spp.* (Fagaceae.) 36726-727. Seeds of a hazelnut from the Hsiao Wu tai shan mountains, west of Peking, China. Two species of hazelnuts, one of good quality, which with a large number of other shrubs and trees were collected in the little known mountains called Hsiao Wu tai shan. Altogether more than eighty species of shrubs and trees were obtained in August, 1913. (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.

*Cotoneaster spp.* (Malaceae.) 36738-740. Seeds of three species of cotoneaster, all of them tall, and of considerable ornamental value, from the same location as the *Corylus spp.* (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.

*Diospyrus lotus*. (Ebenaceae.) 36808. Seeds of the wild persimmon from Peking, China. "Two thousand seeds of the wild persimmons, especially for the drier parts of the United States." (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.