

38230 to 38285.

From China. Collected by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer for the Department of Agriculture. Received at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, Cal., March 30, 1914. Quoted notes by Mr. Meyer.

38230. *PRUNUS ARMENIACA* L. Amygdalaceæ.

Apricot.

"(No. 1105. Sianfu, Shensi, China. January 30, 1914.) An apricot, said to bear large fruits, besides being very ornamental when in blossom. The trees grow to a remarkably large size. Scions collected in an old mandarin's garden."

38231. *MALUS* sp. Malaceæ.

Crab apple.

"(No. 1106. Sianfu, Shensi, China. January 30, 1914.) A flowering crab apple, of low-branching, wide-spreading growth, said to bear masses of small double flowers of rosy red color. Scions obtained from the garden of the English Baptist Mission Hospital."

38232. *POPULUS* sp. Salicaceæ.

Poplar.

"(No. 1108. Village of Beetchi, near Fuping, Shensi, China. February 2, 1914.) A poplar of remarkable fastigiate growth, used as a windbreak on a dry loess table-land. Apparently the same as No. 1064 [S. P. I. No. 37482], but possibly more drought resistant. Of value as a windbreak for the drier parts of the United States."

Cuttings.

38233 to 38235. *SALIX* sp. Salicaceæ.

Willow.

From the village of Tungchiaopu, Shensi, China. Cuttings collected February 3, 1914.

38233. "(No. 1120.) A willow, growing to be a tall tree with heavy trunk. The main branches are of erect growth and of dark-green color, but the young twigs are slender and gracefully drooping while possessed of a delicate yellowish color. A fine tree for parks, especially when planted in a clump or as solitary specimens, where they can be seen from some distance."

38234. "(No. 1121.) A willow, forming heavy trunks, of erect-spreading growth, while the reddish colored young twigs are slightly drooping. Of value for parks when planted in clumps or as solitary specimens where they can be seen for some distance."

38235. "(No. 1122.) A willow, growing to be a tall tree, forming heavy trunks with dark-brown bark. The young branches are somewhat pendent. This and the preceding two numbers [S. P. I. Nos. 38233 and 38234] are all three grown locally as timber trees. They seem to be of remarkably fast growth, especially when planted alongside irrigation canals."

38236. *WIKSTROEMIA CHAMAEDAPHNE* (Bunge) Meissner. Thymelæaceæ.

"(No. 1124. Near Kwanshanchen, Shensi, China. February 4, 1914.) Rooted plants of a thymeleaceous small shrub, growing from 1 to 3 feet in height, having somewhat leathery, small foliage, which is semipersistent throughout winter; bears small terminal racemes of yellow flowerlets. Found here and there on dry banks and hill slopes in great quantities. The bark is of a tenacious nature and the plant might possibly be cultivated as a prospective leather-paper supply."