

**9454. MEDICAGO SATIVA.****Alfalfa.**

From Khiva, Turkestan. Received through Mr. E. A. Bessey, from Mr. H. W. Dürrschmidt, of Tashkent (No. 153a, November 6, 1902, numbered in sack 153), February 28, 1903.

"Khiva is one of the driest regions in Turkestan, the average rainfall being less than 3 inches a year. It is correspondingly hot in summer, but rather cold in winter; much colder than Bokhara, Askhabad, or Karshi. Alfalfa is grown only by irrigation. It is fertilized abundantly, at least with fresh soil if not with animal manure." (*Bessey.*)

**9455. MEDICAGO SATIVA.****Alfalfa.**

From Karshi, Turkestan. Received through Mr. E. A. Bessey, from Mr. H. W. Dürrschmidt, of Tashkent (No. 154a, November 6, 1902, numbered in sacks 154), February 28, 1903.

"Karshi lies about 80 miles southwest of Samarcand and about as far southeast of Bokhara. It is in the edge of the mountains and much cooler than Bokhara." (*Bessey.*)

**9456. QUERCUS SUBER.****Cork oak.**

From Paris, France. Received through Vilmorin-Andrieux & Co., March 5, 1903.

**9457. LINUM USITATISSIMUM.****Flax.**

From Riga, Russia. Received through the United States consul, from A. Sellmar, March 6, 1903.

*Best Riga.*

**9458 to 9462. AMYGDALUS COMMUNIS.****Almond.**

Received through Mr. J. W. Kerr, Denton, Md. Grown by Mr. Kerr from buds furnished by this Department. Received March 7, 1903.

**9458.**

*Castillet.* Grown from S. P. I. No. 7133.

**9459.**

*Fabrica.* Grown from S. P. I. No. 7135.

**9460.**

*Jordan.* Grown from S. P. I. Nos. 7398 and 7401, mixed.

**9461.**

*Mollar.* Grown from S. P. I. No. 7061.

**9462.**

*Planeta.* Grown from S. P. I. No. 7062.

See Nos. 7985 to 7989 and 9348 to 9351. Budded on peach stocks.

**9463 and 9464. PRUNUS ARMENIACA.****Apricot.**

Received through Mr. J. W. Kerr, Denton, Md. Grown by Mr. Kerr from buds furnished by this Department. Received March 7, 1903.

**9463.**

*Patriarca.* Grown from S. P. I. 7136.

**9464.**

Grown from S. P. I. No. 6844.