

17466 to 17470—Continued.

17468. VITIS sp. **Grape.**

From Tientsin. "(Nos. 62, 63, 64, and 65.) A dark purple grape, with somewhat smaller berries than No. 59 (S. P. I. No. 17467); otherwise the same description applies to it." (*Meyer.*)

17469. ROSA sp. **Rose.**

From Peking. "(Nos. 67 and 68.) A semidouble, yellow rose frequently met in the gardens here. Is a very thrifty grower and able to withstand long droughts. The straight young shoots grow from 5 to 8 feet in height." (*Meyer.*)

17470. AMYGDALUS PERSICA. **Peach.**

From Peking. "(No. 69.) Bud sticks from the tree in the grounds of the German legation in Peking, from which one bag of seeds was sent under No. 9a (S. P. I. No. 18262)." (*Meyer.*)

17471. TRITICUM DURUM. **Macaroni wheat.**

From Littleton, Colo. Received through Mr. James B. Mills, February 7, 1906.
Kubanka.

17472. CRATAEGUS sp. **Hawthorn.**

From Shanghai, China. Presented by Rev. J. M. W. Farnham, D. D., of the Chinese Tract Society. Received February 8, 1906.

17473. RUBUS sp. **Himalaya blackberry.**

From Albany, Oreg. Received through Mr. Albert Brownlow, February, 1906.

Himalaya (synonym, *Himalaya Giant*) blackberry. "This blackberry was grown by Mr. Luther Burbank from seeds received by him about 1889 or 1890 from a friend, who stated that they had been gathered high up on the Himalaya Mountains. It was sparingly disseminated by Mr. Burbank on the Pacific coast about 1894. It is reported to be a very vigorous, semitrailing variety, somewhat closely resembling the 'Evergreen' blackberry of Oregon, but, unlike that sort, shedding its leaves in autumn. In western Washington and Oregon it has been found entirely hardy and in most soils yields very large crops of fruit of good size and quality, ripening earlier than the 'Evergreen.' Although not strictly a trailer, its recumbent habit and very strong growth render a trellis advisable in its culture.

"It is distributed at this time with a view to determining its relative hardiness and its adaptability to culture in sections east of the Rocky Mountains." (*Taylor.*)

17474. PISTACIA VERA. **Pistache.**

From Khost, India. Presented by Mr. Philip Parker, of the Indian Irrigation Service, through J. S. Davis, esq., executive engineer, Bannu, Karum Valley Irrigation Project. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, May 21, 1906.

"An unusually interesting deep green variety of the wild nut." (*Swingle.*)

17475. ANDROPOGON SORGHUM. **Kafir corn.**

From Lawrence, Kans. Received through F. Barteldes & Co., April 3, 1906.

17476. MEDICAGO SATIVA. **Alfalfa.**

From Brady, Nebr.

Seed from a single plant. Selected by J. M. Westgate, of this Department, September 28, 1905, in a field belonging to H. K. Peckham, on account of size, drought resistance, hardiness, white flowers, and seedling qualities.