

**27969**—Continued.

See No. 11720 for previous introduction.

*Distribution*.—From southern Mexico and Guatemala southeastward to the province of Sao Paulo in Brazil, and in the West Indies.

**27970 to 27977.**

From Cambridge, England. Presented by the Director of the Botanic Gardens, Cambridge University. Received April 22, 1910.

Seed of the following:

**27970.** CHAETOCLOA MACROSTACHYA (H. B. K.) Scribn. & Merrill.

*Distribution*.—In dry soil from Texas southward through Mexico and Central America to Brazil.

**27971.** CHAETOCLOA sp.

**27972.** MELLILOTUS DENTATA (W. & K.) Pers.

**27973.** MELLILOTUS INDICA (L.) All.

**27974 to 27976.** PISUM ARVENSE L.

**Pea.**

**27977.** PISUM SATIVUM UMBELLATUM L.

**27978.** STIZOLOBIUM sp.

From Tamsui, Formosa. Presented by Mr. Samuel C. Reat, American consul. Received May 24, 1910.

**27979.** MEDICAGO SATIVA L.

**Alfalfa.**

From between Dushet and Passanaura, Caucasus, Russia. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, May 20, 1910.

“(No. 1333a, Apr. 30, 1910.) A small-leaved variety growing in stony débris that has been washed from the mountain sides. Found at an elevation of between 4,000 and 5,000 feet above sea level. Roots sent under No. 777 (S. P. I. No. 28043); see this number for further description.” (Meyer.)

**27980 to 27995.**

From Russia. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, May 21, 1910.

Seeds of the following:

**27980.** MEDICAGO SATIVA L.

**Alfalfa.**

From Erivan, Caucasus, Russia. “(No. 1315a, Mar. 28, 1910.) An alfalfa, passing locally under the Tartar name ‘Yondjin.’ This lot is supposed to be a more drought-resistant strain than No. 1304a (S. P. I. No. 27803), but as statements from native dealers can not be depended on, it may not be so. In Yelisavetpol I was informed that Erivan alfalfa lasts ten years, while Turkestan alfalfa lasts only six. In case this should be so it makes this a much more valuable forage plant than the central Asian strains. See also remarks under No. 1304a (S. P. I. No. 27803), which is probably the same.” (Meyer.)

**27981.** MEDICAGO SATIVA L.

**Alfalfa.**

From near Yelisavetpol, Caucasus, Russia. “(No. 1316a, Apr. 8, 1910.) An alfalfa found along the banks of a dry river bed. Roots sent under No. 763.” (Meyer.)