

40000 to 40039—Continued. (Quoted notes by Mr. F. N. Meyer.)

feet. Save for some children who eat these wild peaches, they are otherwise considered worthless wild fruit. Local name *Yeh t'ao*, meaning 'wild peach,' and *Mao t'oa*, meaning 'hairy peach.'

40005. "(No. 2143a. Near Kwatsa (on the Hsiku River), Kansu, China. November 10, 1914.) Wild peaches found on stony mountain slopes in a wild, very sparsely populated country. No fruit trees whatsoever are cultivated by the local settlers in the mountains, and the way some of these peach bushes grow excluded them from ever having been brought there by any man or even any quadruped; only birds might have transported them."

40006. "(No. 2144a. Tchutsaitze (near Hsiku), Kansu, China. November 2, 1914.) Wild-growing peach of tall, bushy growth, having the looks and habits of a type midway between the wild peach and Potanin's peach. Collected at an altitude of 4,500 feet, at the foot of a dry mountain."

40007 to 40009. *AMYGDALUS PERSICA POTANINI* (Batal.) Ricker. *Amygdalus* (*Prunus persica potanini* Batal.) [dalaceæ.]

40007. "(No. 2145a. Tchutsaitze (near Hsiku), Kansu, China, October 29, 1914.) Potanin's peach, collected at an altitude of 4,300 feet. Scions sent under No. 1223 [S. P. I. No. 39899], which see for further remarks."

For an illustration of the trunk of this peach tree as found growing in China, see Plate VII.

40008. "(No. 2146a. Near Tchutsaitze (near Hsiku), Kansu, China, November 3, 1914.) A variety of Potanin's peach having very much larger stones than the ordinary variety. Collected at an altitude of 6,000 feet. Of value especially as a stock for stone fruits; also recommended as an ornamental spring-flowering tree, especially for the drier parts of the United States."

40009. "(No. 2147a. Near Paoji (near Hsiku), Kansu, China. November 9, 1914.) Potanin's peach, collected from mountain sides, where it is much cut for its fine straight shoots, which serve for pipestems and for whip butts. Altitude, 7,000 feet."

40010 and 40011. *AMYGDALUS TANGUTICA* (Bat.) Korsh. *Amygdalaceæ*. (*Prunus tangutica* Koehne.)

40010. "(No. 2148a. Lantsai (near Hsiku), Kansu, China. October 29, 1914.) The Tangutian almond, collected at an altitude of 4,200 feet. Scions sent under No. 1222 [S. P. I. No. 39898], which see for further notes."

40011. "(No. 2149a. Near Kiucheng (New Taochow), Kansu, China, November 27, 1914.) The Tangutian almond, collected along the banks of the Tao River, at an altitude of 9,450 feet. It was here that the Russian traveler G. N. Potanin obtained some of his material in 1885. For further remarks, see No. 1222 [S. P. I. No. 39898]."

40012 and 40013. *PRUNUS ARMENIACA* L. *Amygdalaceæ*. **Apricot.**

40012. "(No. 2150a. Near Lantsai (near Hsiku), Kansu, China. November 3, 1914.) Wild apricots, occurring very commonly in