

56118 to 56127—Continued.

56122 to 56125. *PYRUS* spp. Malaceæ.

Pear.

56122. *PYRUS* sp.

“(No. 6701. October, 1922.) A tree 25 feet high, found in clay soil on the mountains between Hoachiao and the temple of Yung Kwe Ssu. Shayang village, at an altitude of 6,000 to 7,000 feet. The fruits of this tree are larger than those previously found north of Talifu. The natives use this tree as a stock plant.”

56123. *PYRUS* sp.

“(No. 6708. September, 1922.) A very hardy tree 25 to 30 feet high, growing in hard clay soil in the mountains near Yangpi at an altitude of 7,000 feet. The russet-yellow fruits are the size of small marbles.”

56124. *PYRUS* sp.

“(Kiangpienkai. October, 1922.)”

Seeds of a domesticated variety.

56125. *PYRUS* sp.

“(October, 1922.) A wild pear tree 25 feet in height, closely related to the other wild pears of this region, found beyond Yangpi at an altitude of 8,000 feet. The russet fruits are about half an inch in diameter.”

56126. *ROSA* sp. Rosaceæ.

Rose.

“(No. 6692. September 27, 1922.) A large rambling or climbing shrub with long stout branches, which grows in the pine forest back of Yangpi, two days' journey west of Talifu, at an altitude of 6,000 feet. The flowers are said to be large and whitish cream colored and the fruits deep red to orange.”

56127. *ZIZIPHUS* sp. Rhamnaceæ.

“(No. 6695. September 27, 1922.) A very hardy tree 20 feet high, with a large, spreading crown, found growing wild in yellow clay soil on the hills back of Yangpi, in company with *Pinus sinensis*, at an altitude of 6,500 feet. The fruits, the size of small olives, are borne in large numbers; they are green with a slight reddish tinge, inedible, with almost no flesh, being mostly skin and stone. The seeds are large, angular, and brown.”

56128 to 56141.

From Yunnan, China. Seeds collected by J. F. Rock, Agricultural Explorer of the United States Department of Agriculture. Received December 19, 1922. Quoted notes by Mr. Rock.

56128 and 56129. *CASTANEA* spp. Fagaceæ.

Chestnut.

56128. *CASTANEA* sp.

“(No. 6714. October 21, 1922.) A large tree 70 to 80 feet tall, found in white sandy micaceous soil on slopes in the mountains 30 li (9 miles) north of Manchi, at an altitude of 6,500 feet. The lanceolate leaves, entire or nearly so, are fawn colored beneath. The burs resemble those of *Castanea armata*, but are smaller; the black, shining nuts are quite small. The trees of this species appeared to be free from all disease.”

56129. *CASTANEA* sp.

“(No. 6715. October 20, 1922.) A large tree, closely resembling *Castanea armata* except in foliage, found on tops of ridges before descending to the Manchi Valley and above Menglien, one and a half days' journey southeast of Tengyueh. The burs and nuts are as large as those of *C. armata*.”