

59000 to 59268—Continued.

59256. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11396. November, 1923. A shrub 8 feet high found at about 13,000 feet altitude on the western slope of the Likiang Snow Range. The oblong, acute leaves are yellowish brown tomentose beneath, and the flowers are white.

59257. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11401. November, 1923. A low shrub 2 feet high found among rocks at Haraku on the eastern slopes of the Likiang Snow Range. The small, narrow, linear leaves are brownish beneath, and the fragrant flowers are white.

59258. RHODODENDRON RACEMOSUM Franch.

No. 11415. November, 1923. A low shrub 2 feet high found in a drier region on the rocky slopes of the Likiang Snow Range at from 9,500 to 11,000 feet altitude. The leaves are small, oval, and white beneath; the flowers are pale pink.

59259. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11434. November, 1923. A shrub 2 feet high found among rocks on the alpine slopes of the Likiang Snow Range between 14,000 and 15,000 feet altitude. The small elliptical-spatulate leaves are bronze colored, and the flowers are deep red.

59260. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11459. November, 1923. A shrub 6 feet high found on the alpine slopes of the Likiang Snow Range at 14,000 feet altitude. The oblong, acute leaves are pale yellow beneath, and the large flowers are pure white.

59261. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11463. Nadchua. November, 1923. A tree 15 to 18 feet high found among rocks at 14,000 feet altitude on the Likiang Snow Range. The leaves are large, oblong, acute, silky, faintly brown tomentose beneath, the very large flowers are pink.

59262. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11465. Nadchua. November, 1923. A plant 1 foot high found on the rocky slopes of the Likiang Snow Range at 14,500 feet altitude. The very small leaves are elliptical, oval, and brown beneath; the flowers are indigo blue.

59263. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 11460. November, 1923. A plant a foot high found in alpine meadows on the Likiang Snow Range at 15,000 feet altitude. The very small oval leaves are brown beneath, and the small flowers are deep purplish blue.

59264. ROSA OMEIENSIS Rolfe. Rosaceae. Rose.

No. 11361. December, 1923. A shrub 12 to 15 feet high found on the Kari Pass, Yangtze Divide, at 13,000 feet altitude. The bush branches from the base, and the young branches, broadly winged, are carmine. The flowers are white over red.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 53737.

59265. SAUSSUREA GOSSIPHORA D. Don. Asteraceae.

No. 11472. November, 1923. A curious plant 1½ feet high found among limestone rocks, at 15,500 feet altitude on the Likiang Snow Range. The basal leaves are linear lanceolate and the head oblong and densely cottony; the flower heads are buried in cottony scales.

59266. SORBUS sp. Malaceae.

No. 11070. October, 1923. A tree 10 feet high found on the mountains of Tsehchung, at 10,000 feet altitude. The small pinnate leaves are pale beneath, and the flowers are a deep red. The fruits are also red.

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59267. SWERTIA sp. Gentianaceae.

No. 11447. November, 1923. A plant 1 foot high found in alpine meadows, at 13,000 feet altitude on the Likiang Snow Range. The leaves are stem clasping, and the large handsome flowers are rich lavender blue.

59268. VACCINIUM sp. Vacciniaceae.

No. 11490. November, 1923. A shrub 3 feet high found on the rocky slopes of the Lautchun Mountains, at 10,000 feet altitude. The small leaves are obovate, spatulate, and green on both sides; the globose, bluish black fruits are edible.

59269 to 59273. FICUS CARICA L. Moraceae. Fig.

From Tiziuz, Algeria. Cuttings presented by E. Rolland. Received April 18, 1924. Notes by Mr. Rolland.

59269. *Tharanimth Amelal Embgais*; a white fig from Bougie.

59270. *Tharanimth Sultane*; same as the Spanish variety "Cou de Dames."

59271. *Tharanimth Sadfar*; a rock fig from Sidi Belloua.

59272. *Tharanimth Baquor Gberkanen*, a black flowering fig from Delhys.

59273. *Tharanimth Sultane Amrabob*.

59274 and 59275.

From Manila, Philippine Islands. Seeds presented by Adriano Hernandez, Director, Bureau of Agriculture. Received April 15, 1924.

59274. DILLENIA PHILIPPINENSIS Rolfe. Dilleniaceae.

Katmon. As described by W. H. Brown (Wild Food Plants of the Philippines, p. 116) this is a large, handsome tree about 60 feet in height, with oval, leathery, shining leaves and very attractive single white flowers about 6 inches wide. The roundish fruits, 2 inches in diameter, contain an edible, soft, green, juicy pulp with acid flavor. Although not particularly good when fresh, the fruits make an excellent jam. This species is very common throughout the Philippines.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 38383.

59275. MUSA PARADISIACA L. Musaceae. Plantain.

Butuan. An edible, seed-bearing variety from the Philippines; introduced for use in banana-breeding experiments.

59276 to 59278. RUBUS spp. Rosaceae.

From Orleans, France. Plants purchased from the Grandes Roseraies du Val de la Loire. Received April 18, 1924.

59276. RUBUS FLAGELLIFLORUS Focke.

An evergreen or partly deciduous, shrubby, climbing species about 8 feet high, with simple, heart-shaped leaves, white flowers, and medium-sized, glossy black fruits. Native to central and western China at altitudes of 4,000 to 6,000 feet.

59277. RUBUS HENRYI Hemsl. and Kuntze.

A handsome evergreen species, of graceful habit, with trailing shoots 10 to 15 feet long. The leaves, 4 to 6 inches long, are covered beneath with a white felt; the pink flowers are about three-fourths of an inch across; the fruits are shining black. Native to central and western China.

59278. RUBUS POLYTRICHUS Progel.

A thornless, very ornamental species, covered with red hairs and having entire, light-green leaves.