

62142 to 62158—Continued.

62158. *VITIS* sp. Vitaceæ. **Grape.**

No. 1292. November 8, 1924. Scions collected between Shihchiaying and Huangan. This grape may prove useful as an ornamental.

62159 and 62160.

From China. Tubers collected by P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received November, 1924. Notes by Mr. Dorsett.

62159. *DIOSCOREA* sp. Dioscoreaceæ. **Yam.**

No. 789. October 9, 1924. Aerial tubers from a vine growing on the hill just back of the Yung Lo [Ming] tomb, Changling, Chihli.

62160. *IPOMOEA BATATAS* (L.) Poir. Convolvulaceæ. **Sweet potato.**

No. 796. Nananho. Chihli. October 21, 1924. The flesh of these good-sized sweet potatoes is creamy white with a slight tinge of pink near the skin.

62161 to 62184.

From China. Seeds collected by P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received December, 1924. Notes by Mr. Dorsett.

62161 and 62162. *ANDROPOGON ISCHAEMUM* Poaceæ. **Grass.**

62161. No. 800. October 7, 1924. A grass, called by the Chinese "brush grass," secured in a river bottom area between Tuili and Mentoukou.

62162. No. 801. October 7, 1924. Near Nankow, on the road to the Ming tombs, we found this grass forming a thick mat; the stems and panicles have a reddish cast. It grows on very dry, gravelly soil.

62163 and 62164. *ARACHIS HYPOGAEA* L. Fabaceæ. **Peanut.**

62163. No. 962. Hsingshon, Chihli. October 12, 1924. From plants growing in river-bottom soil.

62164. No. 1029. Peking. October 22, 1924. Sent in to the market from Taotingfu where considerable quantities of these small peanuts are grown. The Chinese steam these, hulls and all, in a strong salt solution, then dry and shell the nuts. These nuts are chiefly used as salted peanuts.

62165. *CANNABIS SATIVA* L. Moraceæ. **Hemp.**

No. 931. October 11, 1924. From the Fa Hua Ssu temple grounds, near Haitzu, Chihli.

62166. *CAPSICUM ANNUM* L. Solanaceæ. **Red pepper.**

No. 994. Peking. October 17, 1924. A long smooth-skinned, red pepper, procured in the market.

62167. *CARAGANA* sp. Fabaceæ.

No. 905. October 10, 1924. Collected from plants growing on a mountain side near Laochun.

62168. *CELTIS BUNGEANA* Blume. Ulmaceæ. **Hackberry.**

No. 1014. October 21, 1924. A tree with small, deep-green leaves, and black fruits the size of small peas, growing in the Black Dragon temple grounds.

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62169. *CHAENOMELES* sp. Malaceæ. **Chinese quince.**

No. 1012. October 20, 1924. Shipped in to the Peking market from Kansu. These fruits have a pleasant fragrance. The flesh is yellow, hard, gritty, and quite acid.

62170. *CORYLUS* sp. Betulaceæ. **Hazel.**

No. 799. Peking. October 21, 1924. Procured in the market. These hazelnuts, reported to be native Chinese hazel, are the smallest we have ever seen. They may have value for growing as stock plants on which to graft other and larger sorts.

62171. *DOLICHOS LABLAB* L. Fabaceæ. **Hyacinth bean.**

No. 792. Peking. October 15, 1924. This bean, obtained in the market, is called "French bean" by the Chinese, who use it dried as a vegetable.

62172 to 62174. *FAGOPYRUM VULGARE* Hill (*F. esculentum* Moench). Polygonaceæ. **Buckwheat.**

62172. No. 864. Chunglang, Chihli. October 9, 1924. Sample of buckwheat obtained from a farmer.

62173. No. 935. Fa Hua Ssu temple, near Taitzu, Chihli. From a mountain valley.

62174. 963. Tangshan (Hot Springs). October 12, 1924. Growing on sandy loam.

62175. *FALCATA EDGEWORTHII* (Benth.) Kuntze. Fabaceæ.

No. 860. Yung Lo [Ming] tomb, Changling, Chihli. October 9, 1924. The seeds are greenish yellow and blotched with black. May prove useful as a ground cover.

62176. *GLEDITSIA SINENSIS* Lam. Cæsalpiniaceæ.

No. 1019. Wenchueng, Chihli, October 21, 1924. A good-sized, round-headed tree with compound leaves. The Chinese use the pods in the manufacture of soap.

62177 and 62178. *IRIS DICHOTOMA* Pall. Iridaceæ. **Iris.**

62177. No. 773. October 9, 1924. Collected across the river from the Yung Lo [Ming] tomb. The flowers are said to be yellow.

62178. No. 774. October 9, 1924. From plants growing in the grounds of the Yung Lo [Ming] tomb.

62179. *LATHYRUS* sp. Fabaceæ.

No. 906. Shalingliang, Chihli, October 10, 1924. Pods collected from a bundle of wild grass brought down from the mountain.

62180. *LESPEDEZA* sp. Fabaceæ.

No. 810. October 7, 1924. Collected between Lunghtai and the Ming tombs.

62181. *LESPEDEZA* sp. Fabaceæ.

No. 866. Nung Lo tomb, near Changling, Chihli, October 9, 1924. Said to be good for goats.

62182. *LESPEDEZA VIRGATA* (Thunb.) DC. Fabaceæ.

No. 925. Fa Hua Ssu temple, near Haitzu, October 11, 1924. A shrubby legume.