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SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith and to recommend for publication as Bulletin No. 204 of the series of this Bureau a manuscript entitled "Agricultural Explorations in the Fruit and Nut Orchards of China," by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer. This manuscript has been submitted for publication by Mr. David Fairchild, Agricultural Explorer in Charge of the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction.

Mr. Meyer's explorations in China, Manchuria, and Korea have brought to the attention of the Department many plants which promise to be of value to our agriculturists, either as forming the basis for new industries or as providing new and valuable strains of plants already known to us. Especially in fruits and nuts the Chinese Empire proves to be very rich, and as the similarity in soil and climate between the native habitat of these products and certain areas of the United States is close the possibility of introducing these new forms for direct cultivation and for breeding work is most promising.

Respectfully,

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