

Tahan is a very high bleak place and this is therefore not surprising.

Pinanga glaucescens is represented by a wealth of old material at Singapore, but only a few inter-war SFN numbers at Kew. The only sheet which comes from the type locality is *Napier s.n.*, 1903, no altitude stated, at Singapore.

Pinanga robusta: I have seen the type at Calcutta, and there are other old sheets at Singapore.

DOUBTFUL RECORDS OF PINANGA

Pinanga calamifrons Beccari, Malesia 3: 132. 1886 (Borneo).

Ridley cites one of his collections (no number, no date) from the Kedah Peak in *Materials for a Flora of the Malayan Peninsula* 2: 141, 1907, and *Flora of the Malay Peninsula* 5: 9, 1925. I could not find this sheet at Calcutta, Kew, or Singapore.

Pinanga canina Beccari, Malesia 3: 135. 1886 (Borneo).

The only Malayan record is *Ridley 7027*, Prov. Wellesley Ara Kudah (*Ridley loc. cit.* above under *P. calamifrons*) and I could not find this sheet either at Calcutta, Kew, or Singapore.

PALM BRIEFS

Parajubaea cocoides

Earlier in this volume (p. 50), Professor Cárdenas wrote about *Parajubaea Torallyi* (Martius) Burret which grows at high altitudes in Bolivia. I had an opportunity recently* to see the type-species of the genus, *Parajubaea cocoides* Burret, growing in Quito, Ecuador, late in September. The accompanying photograph of two plants cultivated on the Plaza de la Independencia (with *Phoenix canariensis* in the right rear) does not do them justice but will permit comparison with the Bolivian species figured earlier.

Parajubaea cocoides was originally described from material collected from plants cultivated at Ibarra, Ecuador, but it is commonly seen in and near Quito and is reported to occur wild in the vicinity of Papallacta east of Quito. A handsome planting of these palms may be seen along the road leading from the



airport to the city of Quito and another at the Parque Bolívar.

Growing at high elevations as it does, *Parajubaea cocoides* may prove a palm that can be grown to maturity in southern California where it may already be established.

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