

**8411 to 8413—Continued.****8413.**

*Thurston.* "These scions are from a single tree (there is only one on the island of Ceylon) growing directly in front of Doctor Drieberg's bungalow, at the agricultural school at Colombo (Cinnamon Gardens). This tree was planted by a Mr. Thurston, and for convenience I have given it his name. It is not a variety known elsewhere on the island. The tree is between 30 and 40 years old and is a very heavy bearer. The fruit is of medium size, short, and somewhat globular. The stone is of medium size and the skin is dark green even when ripe. It ripens well off the tree. It is a vigorous grower, has a sweet flavor, and, according to Doctor Drieberg, is acid when not fully ripe. The flesh is greenish in color near the skin and slightly fibrous." (*Fairchild.*) (No. 807.)

**8414. CITRUS NOBILIS × CITRUS DECUMANA.****Orange.**

From Mustapha, Algiers, Algeria. Received through Dr. L. Trabut, Government Botanist, February 15, 1902.

Seeds.

**8415. CITRUS AURANTIUM.****Orange.**

From Mustapha, Algiers, Algeria. Received through Dr. L. Trabut, Government Botanist, February 15, 1902.

*Merki.* A small packet of seeds of a variety of sweet orange.

**8416. CERATONIA SILIQUA.****Carob.**

From Candia, Crete. Presented by H. B. M. consul, Walter E. Lanson, of Candia, through Mr. D. G. Fairchild (No. 579), February 17, 1902.

"Cuttings of the best variety of carob, or St. John's bread, for grafting on seedling trees. I am informed that the Candian variety of carob is one of the best in the market, bringing the highest prices. It is a tree which is being more extensively planted every year on the island of Crete, and its pods already form one of the principal exports, both of Crete and Cyprus. It is exported to England, France, and Italy, where it is used for cattle food and for a surrogate to mix with chocolate. According to the inspector of agriculture of Crete, Cavre, G. M. Fumis, this Candian variety has more sugar in it than the other sorts grown in Crete." (*Fairchild.*)

**8417. CARICA PAPAYA.****Papaw.**

From Honolulu, Hawaii. Received through Mr. Jared G. Smith, special agent in charge of the agricultural experiment station, February 17, 1902.

Seed grown from No. 5112, Inventory No. 8.

**8418. VIGNA CATJANG.****Cowpea.**

From Monetta, S. C. Received through Mr. T. S. Williams, December 5, 1901.

*Iron.* This variety of cowpea is noted for its remarkable resistance to wilt disease and root-knot.

**8419 to 8421. MANGIFERA INDICA.****Mango.**

From Bombay, India. Received through Messrs. Lathrop and Fairchild (Nos. 810 to 812, January 21, 1902), February 24, 1902.

Scions of three varieties of mangoes, as follows:

**8419.**

*Douglas Bennett's Alphonse.* "The Bombay mangoes are noted all over the Orient, and they are generally classed as a single sort, but in reality there are numerous varieties. The Alphonse, or, in Hindustani, Alfoos, is considered by connoisseurs as the very finest. These scions are taken from a tree on the estate of Mr. Cooper, near Goregon Station, one hour's ride from Bombay, and