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Cassia flower chestnut. Collected in the foothills near Wusi.

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From the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. Seeds presented by the director, Tiflis Botanic Garden, Tiflis, Georgia, Caucasus. Received January 7, 1932.

95562 to 95566. ACER spp. Aceraceae.
Maple.

95562. ACER HYRCANUM Fisch. and Mey.

A southern European maple of compact habit, about 25 feet high, with bright-green 5-lobed leaves and greenish yellow flowers which are followed by winged fruits about an inch long.

For previous introduction see 90590.

95563. ACER MONSPESSULANUM IBERICUM (Bieb.) Pax. (*A. ibericum* Bieb.).

A form of the Montpellier maple with larger leaves, having the inner lobes slightly 3-lobed and obtuse. It is native to the Caucasus region.

For previous introduction see 90952.

95564. ACER INSIGNE Boiss. and Buhse.

A large tree with deeply cordate leaves 5 to 10 inches across, having coarsely crenate-serrate lobes. The flowers are borne in large erect panicles. It is native to the Caucasus region and northern Persia.

For previous introduction see 90591.

95565. ACER CAPPADOCICUM Gleditsch (*A. laetum* Meyer). Coliseum maple.

A tree up to 50 feet high, native to the Caucasus region and eastward to western China. The 5- to 7-lobed, cordate leaves are 3 to 6 inches across, and the yellow-green flowers, in upright corymbs, are followed by spreading winged fruits.

For previous introduction see 93076.

95566. ACER DIVERGENS Koch and Pax (*A. quinquelobum* Koch).

A tree, native to the Caucasus, with ash-brown bark and leathery 5-lobed leaves which are dark green above and pale beneath.

For previous introduction see 90589.

95567 to 95570. ALLIUM spp. Liliaceae.
Onion.

95567. ALLIUM ALBIDUM Fisch.

A species with clustered oblong bulbs, very narrow semiterete leaves, and white or yellow-white flowers. Native to the southern part of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

For previous introduction see 90594.

95568. ALLIUM LEPIDUM Kunth.

A rather small onion with semiterete leaves 3 to 4 inches high and a shorter scape bearing an umbel of purplish flowers. It is native to the Caucasus.

For previous introduction see 90601.

95569. ALLIUM PSEUDOSTRICTUM Albow.

An alpine onion about 8 inches high with flat linear leaves and pale-rose flowers in a small dense globular head

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on a scape 10 inches high. Native to the southern part of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

For previous introduction see 90602.

95570. ALLIUM VICTORIALIS L.

One of the most distinctive species of European onion with stems about 2 feet high, leaves resembling those of the lily-of-the-valley, and white or greenish-white flowers.

95571. ECBALIUM ELATERIUM (L.) A. Rich. Cucurbitaceae.

Squirting-cucumber.

A perennial trailing vine native to the Mediterranean countries, which is cultivated as an annual in gardens of the Temperate Zone. It is a curiosity because of its peculiar habit of violently ejecting its seeds and juice. A drug, elaterium, is obtained from the juice. In flower and foliage characters the plant closely resembles the cucumber, and the fruit is like a small green elliptical gourd covered with soft greenish prickles.

For previous introduction see 64188.

95572. SOLANUM NIGRUM L. Solanaceae.
Black nightshade.95573. SOLANUM DULCAMARA L. Solanaceae.
Bitter nightshade.

Received as *Solanum persicum*, which is a form with ovate-cordate, entire leaves.

95574. TAMARIX HOHENACKERI Bunge. Tamaricaceae. Tamarisk.

An evergreen tree, native to the Caucasus, with very small linear acute leaves and small flowers in racemes 1 or 2 inches long, appearing in the spring.

95575. TAMARIX PENTANDRA Pall. (*T. pallasii* Desv.). Tamaricaceae. Tamarisk.

A shrub or small tree with usually purple branches; the lanceolate to ovate leaves are glaucous or pale green; the large panicles of pink flowers are in dense racemes 1 to 2 inches long and appear in July and August. This tamarisk is found wild from the Balkan Peninsula through southern Europe to Turkistan and from Asia Minor to Persia.

For previous introduction see 42443.

95576 to 95579. CASTANEA CRENATA Sieb. and Zucc. Fagaceae.
Japanese chestnut.

From Japan. Seeds purchased from the Yokohama Nursery Co., Yokohama. Received January 7, 1932.

A collection of chestnuts introduced for the use of Department specialists.

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95580. CITRULLUS VULGARIS Schrad. Cucurbitaceae. Watermelon.

From India. Seeds presented by Jai Chand Luthra, professor of botany, Lyallpur, Punjab. Received January 11, 1932.

A mixed sample, purchased in the market.