

18689 to 18691. CHENOPODIUM QUINOA.**Quinoa.**

From La Paz, Bolivia. Received through Señor M. V. Ballovian, Ministerio de Colonias y Agricultura, June 14, 1906.

18689. *Common.***18691.** *Kanagua.***18690.** *Royal.*

(See Nos. 18536 and 18537.)

18692. TRIFOLIUM REPENS.**White clover.**

From Lodi, Italy. Received through Prof. Carlo Besana, June 16, 1906. Introduced by Mr. Edgar Brown, of the Bureau of Plant Industry.

*Lodino.***18693 to 18698. PHOENIX DACTYLIFERA.****Date.**

From M'Zab, in the Algerian Sahara. Received through Mr. Yahia ben Kassem, June 16, 1906.

According to Mr. Yahia ben Kassem this lot includes the varieties *Tazzizaoute* and *Bent Khaba*. Upon examination of the offshoots, however, Mr. Swingle found a label, written in Arabic, upon each of the plants, which he succeeded in deciphering as *Timjoohebt*, which is described in his letter as follows:

Timjoohebt. A soft date from the M'Zab region of the Algerian Sahara; fruit of a rich, red-brown color when ripe, $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches long, three-fourths to seven-eighths inch wide; flesh without fiber, very sweet, and of exceedingly good flavor, considered by some to be superior to the *Deglet noor*. It is a sticky date and its sirupy juice exudes from the ripening fruit in such abundance as to drip from the tree. It will require a process of curing to get rid of this sirup, but this variety is of such good quality that it may, nevertheless, prove profitable in commercial culture, especially in regions where the *Deglet noor* can not mature. It may furnish a good second-class date which can be sold in competition with the selected Oriental dates which now reach our markets from Busra and Muscat.

18699 and 18700.

From Darmstadt, Germany. Received through A. Le Coq & Co., June 16, 1906.

18699. *MELILOTUS ALBA.***Sweet clover.***Bokhara.***18700.** *VICIA VILLOSA.***Hairy vetch.****18701 to 18703.**

From Reading, England. Received through Sutton & Sons, June 15, 1906.

18701. *CRAMBE MARITIMA.***Sea kale.****18702.** *CYNARA SCOLYMUS.***Artichoke.***Purple Globe.***18703.** *CYNARA SCOLYMUS.***Artichoke.***Selected Large Green.***18704. CHRYSOPHYLLUM sp.**

From Piracicaba, Brazil. Presented by Dr. J. W. Hart, director of the Agricultural College. Received June 7, 1906.

18705. PANICUM LAEVIFOLIUM.

From Pretoria, Transvaal. Presented by Prof. J. Burt Davy, of the Transvaal Department of Agriculture. Received June 18, 1906.