

116711 and 116712—Continued.

hwei Province. A small monopodial bamboo, found wild in this region. It is characterized by large drooping leaves, few branches, nearly equal, rising at a sharp angle with the stiff cylindrical culm. Nodes not prominent, buds very flat, and indentation slight. Culms thick-walled, with small central cavity containing very little pith. Culm sheaths thin, tips ephemeral, but the bases cling rather tenaciously. Rhizomes hard, brittle, shiny, light brown when mature. Roots few and very stiff. There are many nodes of the rhizomes without buds.

116713 to 116767.

From India. Seeds collected by Walter Koelz, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received June 5, 1936.

Nos. 116713 to 116718 were collected at Saharanpur, United Provinces, April 19 and 20, 1936.

116713. *ACACIA MODESTA* Wall. Mimosaceae.

No. 693. From the Saharanpur Gardens, April 21, 1936.

For previous introduction and description see 116455.

116714. *AGERATUM HOUSTONIANUM* Mill. Asteraceae.

No. 599.

116715. *ALLIUM ASCALONICUM* L. Liliaceae. Shallot.

No. 678.

116716. *APIUM GRAVEOLENS* L. Apiaceae. Celery.

No. 682. *Ajwain*. Grown commercially for the seed.

116717. *BARRINGTONIA ACUTANGULA* (L.) Gaertn. Lecythidaceae.

No. 703. From the Saharanpur Gardens. A medium-sized evergreen tree with obovate leaves about 5 inches long and long pendulous racemes of small pink flowers. The wood is soft and white with a pretty silver grain and is used for furniture. Native to India.

116718. *BENINCASA HISPIDA* (Thunb.) Cogn. Cucurbitaceae. Waxgourd.

No. 681. *Pethi*. Fruit light green with ashy bloom; flesh white, solid, often candied, also used as curry vegetable; keeps well.

116719 to 116722. *BRASSICA OLERACEA* BO-TRYTIS L. Brassicaceae. Cauliflower.

Phulgobi. From Amritsar, Punjab, April 24, 1935.

116719. No. 715. A small-leaved variety.

116720. No. 716. Said to reach a diameter over a foot.

116721. No. 718. A small-leaved variety.

116722. No. 719. Said to be one of the largest varieties. Cauliflowers are dried here for summer use.

116723. *BUDDLEIA MADAGASCARIENSIS* Lam. Loganiaceae.

No. 697. From the Saharanpur Gardens, April 21, 1936. An attractive shrub 6 feet high, with drooping branches and silvery leaves.

116713 to 116767—Continued.

Nos. 116724 to 116726 were collected at Amritsar, Punjab, April 20 to 26, 1936.

116724. *CANAVALIA ENSIFORMIS* (L.) DC. Fabaceae. Jackbean.

No. 732. *Tras bin*. A bush form which grows 5 feet high without support. It is grown for the edible green pods.

116725 to 116735. *CITRULLUS VULGARIS* Schrad. Cucurbitaceae. Watermelon.

Nos. 116725 and 116726 were received as *Citrullus fistulosus*.

116725. No. 722. *Safed Tinda*. Fruits said to come from Benares, are about the size of a tangerine, greenish white with a pronounced concavity on the blossom end. They are delicious when cooked.

116726. No. 723. *Hara Tinda*. A favorite Punjab vegetable. Some specimens are nearly 6 inches in diameter, but those now on sale are like small tangerines.

Nos. 116727 to 116730 were collected at Saharanpur from April 16 to 20, 1936.

116727. No. 548. *Tarbuza*. Fruit globose, 8 inches in diameter, with widely spaced ribs of darker green; flesh red, insipid.

116728. No. 646. Fruit subglobose, 14 inches in diameter, dark green, obscurely and finely veined and ribbed with darker green; flesh red, good quality, fairly sweet, but very seedy; rind thick.

116729. No. 659. Fruit subglobose, 15 inches long, dark green with indistinct darker markings; rind thick; flesh red, sweet.

116730. No. 675. A mixed sample of local varieties.

Nos. 116731 to 116741 were collected April 24 to 26, 1936, at Amritsar, Punjab.

116731 and 116732. *Tarbuza*. Said to be a form grown locally that reaches a weight of 20 pounds.

116731. No. 728. 116732. No. 729.

116733. No. 730. *Tarbuza*. Said to be the largest local form, which reaches a weight of 40 pounds.

116734. No. 731. Said to be one of the smaller local sorts, weighing 10 to 15 pounds.

116735. No. 734. *Tarbuza*. Reported as the smallest of local sorts, not over 10 pounds in weight.

116736 to 116738. *CUCUMIS MELO* L. Cucurbitaceae. Muskmelon.

From Amritsar, Punjab, April 25 and 26, 1936.

116736. No. 726. *Maddar Karbuza*. A pale round smooth-skinned form grown at Maddar, near Kasur.

116737. No. 727. *Tinfutia*. A form said to be large, green, and netted; grown near Amritsar at Chamiani. Considered very good.

116738. No. 733. *Tarsini*. A melon 12 inches long, brownish yellow, netted, green-fleshed, and weighing up to 10 pounds. Considered one of the best local varieties.