

## 135265 to 135267—Continued

135266. *DESMODIUM DISCOLOR* Vogel (*Meibomia discolor* Kuntze).

A shrubby, erect, hairy plant from southern Brazil, with oval membranous leaflets and large panicles of light-blue flowers. Cultivated in Brazil for forage and silage; it is cut while young, as it becomes woody with age.

For previous introduction see 133429.

135267. *DESMODIUM LEIOCARPUM* (Spreng.) Don (*Meibomia leiocarpa* (Spreng.) Kuntze).

In northern Argentina and southern Brazil this native leguminous plant is eaten readily by stock. It becomes 6 feet or more in height, more or less branched, with trifoliolate leaves 2 inches or more long.

For previous introduction see 64217.

## 135268 to 135403.

From Afghanistan. Seeds collected by Walter Koelz, Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. Received February 12, 1940.

135268. *BENINCASA HISPIDA* (Thunb.) Cogn. Cucurbitaceae. Wax gourd.135269 to 135343. *CUCUMIS MELO* L. Cucurbitaceae. Muskmelon.

135269 and 135270. Collected in Dasht-i-sufed, August 24, 1939, at 6,000 feet altitude. Grown under irrigation. *Kharbuz* is the vernacular name for melon in Afghanistan.

135269. No. 4507. Fruit semiglobose, 10 inches in length, green yellow with blotches of green black; rind smooth; flesh greenish,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, and sweet.

135270. No. 4508. Fruit globose, 6 inches in diameter; rind golden yellow, hard and smooth; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches thick, and sweet. Excellent keeper.

135271 and 135272. Collected in Kamard, August 24, 1939, at 6,000 feet altitude. Grown under irrigation.

135271. No. 4511. Fruit football-shaped, 10 inches in length; rind yellow with little net; flesh greenish,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, and sweet.

135272. No. 4513. Fruit semiglobose, 8 inches in length; rind pale yellow, ribbed, greenish netted; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick and sweet.

135273. No. 4514. From Kamard, August 25, 1939. Grown under irrigation. Fruit green yellow, 8 by 5 inches, netted; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick.

135274 and 135275. Collected at Dari Yusuf, August 30, 1939.

135274. No. 4569. Fruit yellow, dotted with pale yellow and green, faint net, 10 by 6 inches; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick.

135275. Fruit football-shaped, 10 inches in length; elongate blotches of dark and pale green, faint net; flesh  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches thick, white, crisp, and sweet.

135276 and 135277. Collected at Binimang, September 1, 1939.

135276. No. 4578. Fruit football-shaped, 10 inches in length; rind lemon yellow; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{4}$  inches thick, soft, juicy, and sweet. Grown under irrigation.

135277. No. 4586. Fruit subglobose, 8 inches in length; rind yellow, unnetted; flesh salmon color,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, soft, juicy, and sweet. Said to be grown without water.

135278. No. 4588. From Terak, September 2, 1939. Fruit elongate, 10 by 6 inches; rind heavily netted, blotched yellow and orange; flesh white,  $1\frac{3}{4}$  inches thick, and sweet. Said to be grown without water.

135279 to 135303. Collected in Kala Sarkari, September 1939.

135279. Fruit football-shaped, 7 inches in length; trace of net on rind, blotched grass green and orange, with broad unindented ribs of pale green; flesh white,  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches thick, and sweet.