

270546 to 270551—Continued

- 270546.** No. 1. Central market. Fruit oblong, tapered, 10 inches long, five inches in diameter, weigh to 5.5 lbs; rind medium green, mottled darker, thin, tough; flesh orange red, some fiber, no white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, black.
- 270547.** No. 2. Central market. Fruit to seven inches long, six inches in diameter, concave tip, weigh to six lbs; rind medium green with darker stripes, thin, tough; flesh orange red, no fiber but some white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, black.
- 270548.** No. 3. Central market. Fruit oblong to nine inches long, 6.5 inches in diameter, weigh to seven lbs; rind light green, mottled darker, thick, tough; flesh pink, some fiber, large white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, dark brown.
- 270549.** No. 4. Kingsway stores. Fruit to 11 inches long, five inches in diameter, tapered, compressed base, weight five lbs; rind light to medium green, mottled darker, thin, hard, tough; flesh red, some fiber, no white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, dark brown. Grown at Nsawam, Union of South Africa.
- 270550.** No. 5. Kingsway stores. Fruit to 10 inches long, five inches in diameter, tapered, compressed base; rind medium green, thin, tough; flesh orange red, some fiber, no white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, brownish black. Grown at Nsawam, Union of South Africa.
- 270551.** No. 6. Kingsway stores. Fruit round, to seven inches in diameter; weight five lbs; rind light to medium green, striped darker, thick, tough; flesh red, some fiber, some white heart; seeds numerous, medium size, black. Grown at Nsawam, Union of South Africa.

270552 to 270567.

From the Union of South Africa. Seeds collected by H. S. Gentry and A. S. Barclay, agricultural explorers, Crops Research Division, Plant Industry Station, Beltsville, Md. Received Jan. 4, 1961.

270552. *ASPARAGUS AFRICANUS* Lam. Convallariaceae.

Col. No. 18685. Rocky slope between Clanwilliam and Citrusdal. A shrub.

270553 to 270561. *ASPARAGUS* sp.

- 270553.** Col. No. 18631. Picketburg Mountain. Perennial with fern-like branches.
- 270554.** Col. No. 18673. Sandy coastal plain, about 25 miles south of Vredendal.
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- 270556.** Col. No. 18675. Sandy coastal plain, about 25 miles south of Vredendal. Viny perennial; fruits numerous.
- 270557.** Col. No. 18678. Behind dunes, Lambert's Bay. Scandent shrub growing up through shrubbery.
- 270558.** Col. No. 18694. Two miles east of Darling. Shrub; leaves short, fine.
- 270559.** Col. No. 18695. About two miles northeast of Darling. Perennial; leaves broad.
- 270560.** Col. No. 18701. Sandy soil near sea, seven miles west of Darling. Climbing vine; leaves fine, soft.
- 270561.** Col. No. 18711. Western Cape Province.

270562 to 270565. *CITRULLUS LANATUS* (Thunb.) Mansf. Cucurbitaceae.
Watermelon.

- 270562.** Col. No. 18633. Picketsburg.