

23872 to 23881.

From Paris, France. Presented by Mr. E. Tisserand, Minister of Colonies, Jardin Colonial. Received October 4, 1908.

The following plants:

23872 to 23874. MUSA PARADISIACA L. **Banana.**

23872. *Chec Chwea* (Cambodia).

23873. *Primitivo* (Colombia).

23874. *Gabou* (Réunion).

23875. MUSA CAVENDISHII Lamb. **Banana.**

Sweet (New Caledonia).

23876 and 23877. COLOCASIA ESCULENTA (L.) Schott.

23876. Green.

23877. Violet.

23878. BOMBAX MACROCARPUM (Ham. & Schlecht.) Schum.

23879. PASSIFLORA LAURIFOLIA L.

23880. PASSIFLORA sp.

(Mexico.)

23881. AMORPHOPHALLUS BULBIFER (Roxb.) Blume.

23882. GARCINIA CORNEA L. (?)

From Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by Dr. M. Treub, director, Department of Agriculture. Received October 15, 1908.

"The *Garcinia cornea* L. is a small tree, with horizontal branches; leaves, leathery, shining. Fruit the size of a small orange, bright red; seeds inclosed in a white, juicy, very acid aril." (*Hooker, Flora of British India.*)

"An evergreen tree; yields an inferior kind of gamboge; wood brown, heavy, of a coarse unequal fiber, hard, rather close grained." (*Watt, Economic Products of India.*)

"Imported for use in solving the mangosteen problem." (*Fairchild.*)

23894 and 23895. RUBUS CHAMAEMORUS L.

From Harrington Harbor, Canadian Labrador. Presented by Miss Edith Mayon, Deep Sea Mission Hospital. Received October 17, 1908.

"Plants and fruits of what is locally called the *Bake apple*; it resembles a yellow raspberry in color and size, tastes of honey and bananas mixed, grows in moist ground on a plant 4 inches high; the flower is white. It is very hardy, for our winters are long and severe, the surface of the ground is still frozen (May 26) and there is snow in all the hollows and shady places." (*Mayon.*)

23896. MEDICAGO SATIVA L. **Alfalfa.**

From Lima, Peru. Presented by Señor Ignacio La Puente, through Mr. Charles J. Brand. Received September, 1908.

"This seed probably originated in the vicinity of Supe, in the coastal plain region of Peru." (*Brand.*)

23897. CRYPTOCARYA RUBRA (Mol.) Skeels. (PEUMUS RUBRA MOL. SAGG. CHIL. 185. 1782.) (CRYPTOCARYA PEUMUS NEES.)

From Coronel, Chile. Presented by Mr. Teodoro Finger, Estación Colico, through Mr. O. W. Barrett. Received October 20, 1908.