

24114. ARACHIS HYPOGAEA L.**Peanut.**

From Marseille, France. Procured by Hon. Robert P. Skinner, American consul-general, at the request of Mr. W. R. Beattie and Mr. C. S. Scofield. Received October 27, 1908.

Gambia. "Pods medium size to small, light in color, closely netted, indentations quite shallow, so that the exterior surface of pods is comparatively smooth; generally two, sometimes three, and occasionally one pea in a pod; shells thin and quite firm and strong; peas medium size, one-third larger than Spanish, crowded together in pod and almost completely filling cavity, color of pea rather dark brown, outer skin adhering very tightly; flesh of pea clear white color, germ considerably extended at end of pea and easily removed.

"This pea will be exceptionally valuable for use in the manufacture of candy and other products where shelled nuts are required." (*W. R. Beattie.*)

"These peanuts were procured for testing in this country for their oil-yielding properties in comparison with the American varieties." (*R. A. Young.*)

24115 to 24121.

From Amani, German East Africa. Presented by Dr. A. Zimmerman, Biologic Agricultural Institute, at the request of Mr. C. V. Piper. Received October 23, 1908.

"The following seeds of legumes being tested here for their value as green fertilizing plants." (*Zimmerman.*)

- 24115. CROTALARIA sp.
- 24116. CROTALARIA sp.
- 24117. CROTALARIA sp.
- 24118. CROTALARIA HILDEBRANDTHI Vatke.
- 24119. CROTALARIA STRIATA Schrank.
- 24120. DOLICHOS (?).
- 24121. INDIGOFERA (?).

24122 to 24127. ANDROPOGON SORGHUM (L.) Brot.**Kafir.**

From Greytown, Natal, South Africa. Procured from Mr. T. Thresh, "Thornton," Greytown, Natal, by Mr. E. Fitzgerald, Native Affairs Department, Pietermaritzburg, Natal, presented by Mr. A. E. LeRoy, Adams, M. S., Natal. Received October 6, 1908.

Seed of the following. Descriptive notes by Mr. Carleton R. Ball; native names by Mr. LeRoy:

- 24122. *Mehlo ka kuka.* *Blackhull* kafir, apparently typical. Small head, 7 inches long; glumes, short, shiny black; seeds medium, white.
- 24123. *Sibuyana.* *Blackhull* kafir type; very compact glumes and seeds slightly larger than normal, the seeds are white with distinct brownish tinge, especially at tip.
- 24124. *Simuktywana.* *Blackhull* kafir type; head compact, very similar to preceding (S. P. I. No. 24123), but seeds more deeply tinged with brown.
- 24125. *Ngabani omhlope.* Kafir type of head, but seeds large; whitish or mostly pearly glumes two-thirds as long as seeds, these are greenish or, in the case of those at the base of the head, reddish brown.