

29523 and 29524—Continued.

Seeds of the following, quoted notes by Mr. Wilson:

29523. "*Hoa ma*. This is perhaps the most important fiber-producing plant in western China. It is cultivated extensively as a winter crop on the Chengtu Plain, especially around the cities of Wen Chiang Hsien and Pi Hsien. The fiber is used for making coarse cloth, cordage, etc., and is also largely exported to other parts of China, via Chungking and Ichang."

29524. "*Man ma*. This is cultivated as an autumn crop in the mountains west of Kwanhsien, between 3,000 and 5,000 feet. The fiber is apparently used only locally by the peasants."

29525. NICOTIANA TABACUM L.**Tobacco.**

From Medan, Dutch East Indies. Presented by Mr. J. G. C. Vriens, director, Deli-Proefstation. Received January 28, 1911.

Deli. "This variety is very susceptible to the Granville tobacco-wilt disease." (*Vriens.*)

29526. (Undetermined.) (Orchidaceæ.)**Orchid.**

From Canal Zone, Panama. Collected by Prof. H. Pittier, of the Bureau of Plant Industry. Received February 9, 1911.

Plant.

29527 and 29528. NICOTIANA TABACUM L.**Tobacco.**

From Huimanguilla, Tabasco, Mexico. Presented by Mr. A. G. Weiss. Received February 6, 1911.

Seeds of the following; quoted notes by Mr. Weiss:

29527. "Seed from which this lot was grown was obtained from Valle National, Mexico. The dealer from whom I procured this variety is experimenting with it in order to find a native tobacco which will produce a better wrapper than the local tobacco."

29528. Seed from Huimanguilla section.

29529. (Undetermined.) (Zinziberaceæ.)**White ginger.**

Grown near Tsinan, Shantung, China. Presented by Rev. H. W. Luce, Shantung Christian University, Weihsien, China. Received February 8, 1911.

"This light-colored variety, so far as I can find out, is grown in sandy soil." (*Luce.*)

Introduced for the purpose of trying ginger culture in more northern latitudes of the United States than has heretofore been attempted.

29530. LAWSONIA INERMIS L.**Henna.**

From Culebra, Canal Zone, Panama. Presented by Mr. Alfred D. Dyer. Received February 8, 1911.

See No. 25776 for description.

29531. QUERCUS SUBER L.**Cork oak.**

From the Almoraima cork woods, Spain. Procured by Mr. R. L. Sprague, American consul, Gibraltar, Spain. Received February 10, 1911.

29532. PASSIFLORA sp.**Passion flower.**

From Mollendo, Peru. Presented by Mr. William Morrison, acting consular agent. Received February 11, 1911.

"The owner of the 'tree' from which this seed was procured does not know where he got the original seed, but is inclined to believe that he received it from Tacna." (*Morrison.*)