

the bean, the 'black fellows' have learned to use it as a food. They first roast the beans in hot ashes, then skin them and pound the white flesh into coarse flour. They fill a basket with this flour and place it in running water all night. In this way the poisonous principle is washed out." (*Dr. Alexander Graham Bell.*)

*Distribution.*—A tall tree found in the valleys of the Endeavour and Brisbane rivers in the State of Queensland, and in the valley of the Clarence River in the province of New South Wales in Australia.

**32088. CICER ARIETINUM L. Chick-pea.**

From Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Presented by Mr. Alexander V. Dye, American consul. Received November 11, 1911.

"From the Mayo River Valley. Known locally as *Garbanzo gordo*. While there is only one variety grown for commercial purposes, those raised in the Mayo River Valley are usually considered larger and better." (*Dye.*)

**32089. MEDICAGO SATIVA VARIA (Mart.) Urb. Sand lucern.**

From Isere, France. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, Algiers, Algeria. Received November 18, 1911.

**32090. LEUCADENDRON MELLIFERUM (Thunb.) W. F. Wight. See Botanical Notes, etc., p. 60.**

From the slopes of Table Mountain, Cape Colony, South Africa. Presented by the Assistant Conservator of Forests, Western Conservancy, Cape Town, at the request of Prof. J. Burt Davy, Pretoria, Transvaal. Received November 20, 1911.

See No. 28016 for previous introduction.

**32091. ASPARAGUS sp. Asparagus.**

From Geok Tepa, Aresch District, Elisabethpol Government, Trans-Caucasia, Russia. Presented by Mr. A. Schelkownikow, Chaldan station, Trans-Caucasia, Russia, at the request of Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received November 21, 1911.

"Seeds of the large wild asparagus, which grows so well in this vicinity." (*Schelkownikow.*)

A large asparagus which so impressed Mr. Meyer that he made a special effort to have seeds secured for the work now being undertaken in breeding rust-resistant forms and also improved forms for the use of florists.

**32093 to 32110.**

From India. Collected by Mr. C. V. Piper, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received November 17, 1911.

The following material; quoted notes by Mr. Piper:

**32093. ALOCASIA MACRORRHIZA (L.) Schott.**

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**32094. PHASEOLUS VULGARIS L.**

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