

**47009. HOLCUS SORGHUM L. Poaceæ.****Sorghum.***(Sorghum vulgare Pers.)*

From Angola, Africa. Presented by Rev. M. W. Ennis, Cuma, Benguela.  
Received January 28, 1919.

"Seed of kafir. From the ordinary native *ovasa*, which is white with a buff bloom, I selected certain heads which produced a red grain, and from the plants grown I selected a white strain (which seems to be a variety of the Blackhull kafir). This grows vigorously on any land suited to the growth of maize. People from the Cape say that it is the strongest growing kafir that they ever saw. It makes a good flour which is not as liable to discoloration when used in baking as the flour made from the ordinary kafir. It requires a long season." (*Ennis.*)

**47010 to 47015.**

From Zamboanga, Philippine Islands. Presented by Mr. P. J. Wester, agricultural adviser. Received January 27, 1919.

**47010. CAPSICUM ANNUUM L. Solanaceæ.****Red pepper.**

"Seed of a very pungent, large, red pepper, originally from Costa Rica, that might prove superior to the ordinary chili. Seed should be saved for local distribution." (*Wester.*)

**47011 to 47015.**

"Spores of five ferns, probably *Cyathea*, *Marattia*, *Pteris*, and *Polypodium* spp. All these grow near sea level on Basilan in a hot, damp climate. The *Cyathea* and *Marattia* are especially attractive." (*Wester.*)

**47011. CYATHEA sp. Cyatheaceæ.****Fern.****47012 and 47013. MARATTIA spp. Marattiaceæ.****Fern.****47014. POLYPODIUM sp. Polypodiaceæ.****Fern.****47012 and 47013, MARATTIA spp. Marattiaceæ.****Fern.****47016. SPIRAEA sp. Rosaceæ.****Spirea.**

From Chefoo, China. Presented by Mr. A. Sugden. Received January 27, 1919.

"Seeds of our big white spirea." (*Sugden.*)

**47017 to 47057. Poaceæ.****Grasses.**

From Para, Brazil. Presented by Sr. André Goeldi through Mr. George H. Pickerell, American consul. Received January 7, 1919. Quoted notes by Mr. Goeldi.

"These species of grasses form the gramineous covering of the campos of Marajo Island."

[The economic value of most of these grasses is unknown. They will be tested by the agronomists of the United States Department of Agriculture.]

**47017. ANDROPOGON BREVIFOLIUS Swartz.**

"No. 19."

**47018. AXONOPUS AUREUS Beauv.**

"No. 23."