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timber is used to make hoe and ax handles. (Adapted from *Watt, Dictionary of the Economic Products of India, vol. 6, pt. 3, p. 244*, and *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 1, p. 499*.)

47796. SMILAX ASPERICAULIS Wall. Smilacaceæ. **Smilax.**

A climbing shrub having roughish stems, thin leaves with rounded or clawed tips, many-flowered umbels, and globular berries nearly half an inch in diameter. It is a native of the Sikkim Himalayas, India. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 6, p. 306*.)

47797. SOLANUM CRASSIPETALUM Wall. Solanaceæ.

A Himalayan shrub, 2 to 9 feet in height, with narrow leaves acute at both ends. In Sikkim the leaves are cooked and eaten. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 4, p. 232*.)

47798. SOLANUM KHASIANUM C. B. Clarke. Solanaceæ.

A stout plant with a stem densely yellow hirsute, armed with straight prickles two-thirds of an inch long. The deeply lobed leaves are 7 inches in length, and the berries are an inch in diameter. This plant is a native of the Khasia Mountains, India. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 4, p. 234*.)

47799. SOLANUM MACRODON Wall. Solanaceæ.

An erect shrubby plant covered with bristly glistening hairs, with leaves 2 to 6 inches in length and purple-rose or nearly white flowers. It is a native of the temperate regions of the Himalayas. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 4, p. 232*.)

47800. SOLANUM VERBASCIFOLIUM L. Solanaceæ.

A shrub or small tree frequently encountered throughout tropical and subtropical India. In the southern part of India it is cultivated for its fruit, which is small and is eaten in curries. The wood is light yellow and soft. (Adapted from *Watt, Dictionary of the Economic Products of India, vol. 6, pt. 3, p. 273*.)

47801. SPIRAEA BELLA Sims. Rosaceæ. **Spirea.**

A low shrub with oval, acute, finely serrate leaves with whitish lower surfaces and terminal panicles of bright-purple flowers. It is a native of Nepal, and appears to be hardy in England. (Adapted from *Curtis's Botanical Magazine, pl. 2426*.)

47802. SPIRAEA MICRANTHA Hook. f. Rosaceæ. **Spirea.**

A shrub found on the temperate slopes of the Himalayas in north-eastern India at altitudes of 6,000 to 10,000 feet. It is closely related to *Spiraea bella*, but is more lax in habit. The ovate-lanceolate leaves are sometimes 7 inches long, and the pale-pink flowers, often one-fourth of an inch across, are borne in long, spreading panicles. (Adapted from *Hooker, Flora of British India, vol. 2, p. 325*.)

47803. SPOROBOLUS INDICUS (L.) R. Br. Poaceæ. **Grass.**

A grass found on the plains of India and generally distributed over the tropical and subtropical parts of the world. It is considered to be a good fodder grass, especially when young. (Adapted from *Watt, Dictionary of the Economic Products of India, vol. 6, pt. 3, p. 341*.)