

"The small spherical 2-seeded berries are sour, but good for jelly: however, the yield is so small that the plant has no cultural interest as a fruiting vine." (*G. C. Husmann.*)

An ornamental vine from tropical and subtropical Asia, with thick heart-shaped leaves resembling those of a begonia, and long-stalked clusters of deep-violet flowers.

54728. TRIFOLIUM PRATENSE L. Fabaceæ. Red clover.

From Naples, Italy. Seeds purchased from the Agenzia Agraria, Nappi & Mascia, of Naples, through Homer M. Byington, American consul. Received February 20, 1922.

Medium red-clover seed known as *double cut* or *early clover*, introduced for growing in comparison with American-grown seed.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 54708.

54729 to 54731. MEDICAGO SATIVA L. Fabaceæ. Alfalfa.

From Valence, France. Seeds presented by Tézziér Frères. Received February 18, 1922. Quoted notes by Tézziér Frères.

"Alfalfas from the principal producing districts of France. These strains are all more or less similar, but the difference in climate of the sections in which they are grown has slightly altered their characters, and some are a little more hardy than the others."

54729. "*Alps.* We consider the *Alps* strain, which is grown in the mountains, especially noteworthy."

54730. "*Poitou.*"

54731. "*Provence.*"

54732 to 54734.

From Okitsu, Shizuokaken, Japan. Seeds presented by Prof. T. Onda, Bureau of Horticulture, Imperial Agricultural Experiment Station. Received February 24, 1922.

Introduced for experiments by department specialists.

54732. AMARANTHUS CAUDATUS L. Amaranthaceæ. Love-lies-bleeding.

Himogeito.

54733. AMARANTHUS GANGETICUS MELANCHOLICUS (L.) Voss. Amaranthaceæ. Joseph's-coat.

Hageito.

54734. KOCHIA SCOPARIA (L.) Schrad. Chenopodiaceæ. Belvedere.

Hahakigusa.

54735. ROSA GENTILIANA Lev. and Van. Rosaceæ. Rose.

From Witcombe, Gloucester, England. Seeds presented by Lady Harriet Thirston-Dyer. Received March 1, 1922.

A vigorous bush rose from western China, which makes tangled bunches 12 to 15 feet high and 15 to 20 feet in diameter. The 5-foliolate leaves are dark glossy green; the pure-white single flowers, about an inch in diameter and delightfully fragrant, are borne in broad clusters and unless damaged by storms will continue to bloom for nearly two months. The bush should be given an isolated position where it can be left to develop; it should not be pruned. (Adapted from *The Garden Magazine*, vol. 23, p. 339.)

Received as *Rosa cerasocarpa*, which is now referred to *R. gentiliana*.

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