

"I have just eaten this fruit for the first time; it is quite similar to the *marang* (*Artocarpus odoratissima* Blanco) in flavor, being very sweet and rich. The flesh is rather scant and the seeds large, but some day we may discover a seedless one and then we shall have a real feast. The fruit is so large that one (seedless) would be enough for three to five people." (*P. J. Wester.*)

A Philippine tree which reaches a height of 25 meters (82 feet), with very large, smooth, pointed leaves and yellowish green flowers. The oval brown fruit is over 6 inches long and contains several seeds imbedded in a yellowish, edible pulp. The fresh seeds are poisonous, but steeping in water makes them edible. (Adapted from *Brown, Wild Food Plants of the Philippines*, p. 126.)

**56068. DENDROCALAMUS SIKKIMENSIS** Gamble. Poaceæ. **Bamboo.**

From Sibpur, near Calcutta, India. Seeds presented by C. C. Calder, curator, Royal Botanic Garden. Received December 11, 1922.

"This bamboo flowered profusely this year in the Darjiling District." (*Calder.*)

For previous introduction and description, see S. P. I. No. 55815.

**56069 and 56070.**

From Buitenzorg, Java. Seeds presented by Dr. P. J. S. Cramer, Director of the General Experiment Station. Received December 18, 1922.

**56069. CITRUS MEDICA** L. Rutaceæ.

**Citron.**

Seeds of a peculiar citron with papayalike fruits from Java.

**56070. GARCINIA MANGOSTANA** L. Clusiaceæ.

**Mangosteen.**

These seeds are introduced from Java in the hope of establishing the mangosteen in our tropical dependencies.

For previous introduction and description, see S. P. I. No. 55496.

**56071. DIOSCOREA ALATA** L. Dioscoreaceæ.

**Greater yam.**

From Fort Pierce, Fla. Tubers presented by C. S. Steele. Received December 28, 1922.

"This yam is a strain selected from the Hawaiian purple-skinned yam, S. P. I. No. 46768. The purple layer, just beneath the outer skin, was very thin and sharply defined in the selected tuber, and the flesh of the tuber was white and of good quality when cooked. Yams of the purple-skinned type vary considerably with respect to the thickness of the purple layer and also in quality, and it is still to be determined whether this selection will remain constant." (*R. A. Young.*)

**56072 to 56074. PHASEOLUS** spp. Fabaceæ.

From Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba. Seeds presented by Dr. Mario Calvino, director, Agricultural Experiment Station. Received December 29, 1922. Quoted notes by Doctor Calvino.

**56072. PHASEOLUS CALCARATUS** Roxb.

**Rice bean.**

"*Frijol mambi* or *Diablito*. Seeds of this variety were originally sent from Oriente, where the plant grows spontaneously in the thickets. The seeds are small, about the size of a grain of rice, kidney shaped, and dark red. It is a pole bean of rapid growth and is very productive."

**56073. PHASEOLUS LUNATUS** L.

**Lima bean.**

"This is a good variety of pole Lima which I imported from Trujillo, Peru."

**56074. PHASEOLUS VULGARIS** L.

**Common bean.**

"*Frijol negro*. One of the cultivated varieties of Cuba."