

56821. ANDROCYMBIUM PUNCTATUM (Cav.) Baker. Melanthaceæ.

From Tripoli, Libia, North Africa. Bulbs presented by E. O. Fenzi. Received April 4, 1923.

A stemless ornamental of the Amaryllid family, native to the Cape of Good Hope. The flowers, whitish with green veins and purple stamens, are in a dense umbel surrounded by about four narrow, spreading, bright-green leaves 5 or 6 inches long. (Adapted from *Gardeners' Chronicle*, vol. 1, new series, p. 786.)

56822. GARCINIA MANGOSTANA L. Clusiaceæ. **Mangosteen.**

From Buitenzorg, Java. Seeds presented by Dr. P. J. S. Cramer, director, General Experiment Station, Department of Agriculture, Industry, and Commerce. Received April 11, 1923.

Mangosteen seeds introduced from Java for testing in our tropical dependencies.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 56667.

56823 to 56829.

From Yunnan, China. Seeds collected by J. F. Rock, Agricultural Explorer of the Bureau of Plant Industry. Received April 2, 1923. Quoted notes by Mr. Rock.

56823. GORDONIA sp. Theaceæ.

"(No. 7884. Tienyfnssu. January, 1923.) A shrub about 8 feet high found at an altitude of 6,000 feet. The handsome white flowers are $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches across, and the fruit is a woody capsule."

56824. LIGUSTRUM sp. Oleaceæ. **Privet.**

"(No. 7877. Wolung. January, 1923.) A very ornamental shrub 10 feet high which grows among lava boulders near Tengyueh at an altitude of 6,000 feet. The cream-colored flowers are in large pyramidal clusters."

56825. LUCULIA sp. Rubiaceæ.

"(No. 7824. December, 1922.) A handsome shrub 6 to 18 feet in height which grows on the Shwelli-Salwin Divide in mixed rain forests at an altitude of 8,000 feet and also in open gulches at a slightly lower altitude, even as low as 6,000 feet, but reaches its best development at 8,000 feet. In winter this region is often covered with snow and ice. The bright-green narrow leaves have reddish stems, and the rich-pink flowers are in large terminal corymbs 6 inches wide. The individual flowers are deliciously fragrant and nearly 2 inches across, with a salver-shaped corolla and a tube an inch long. This is one of the handsomest shrubs of which I know."

56826. PITTIOSPORUM sp. Pittosporaceæ.

"(No. 7886. Kaotien. January 21, 1923.) A tree 30 to 40 feet high, handsome in shape and foliage, with cream-colored flowers borne in large terminal panicles and red fruits."

56827 and 56828. RHODODENDRON spp. Ericaceæ.**56827. RHODODENDRON sp.**

"(No. 7865. Homushu. December, 1922.) A shrub 10 to 15 feet high, which grows at an altitude of 8,000 feet on the summit of the Salwin watershed in dense forests but near the margins. The oval dark-green leaves, deeply wrinkled above, are covered with matted brown wool, as is also the inflorescence. The flowers are white."

56823 to 56829—Continued.**56828. RHODODENDRON sp.**

"(No. 7866. Kaotien. January 6, 1922.) A handsome compact shrub 6 to 8 feet high, found in forests 2 days' travel from Tengyueh at an altitude of 6,500 feet. The uniformly green leaves are quite narrow, and the flowers are said to be white."

56829. SCHIMA sp. Theaceæ.

"(No. 7864. Homushu. December, 1922.) A fine tree 30 to 40 feet in height, which grows in dense forests on the Salwin watershed at an altitude of 8,000 feet. The leaves are narrowly oval, the flowers are white, and the fruits are small globular capsules. There are about four species of Schima found in Yunnan, and this one is rarer than the others."

56830. TRIFOLIUM INCARNATUM L. Fabaceæ. **Crimson clover.**

From Valence sur Rhone, France. Seeds purchased from Tézier Frères. Received April 12, 1923.

Locally grown seed introduced for department specialists engaged in clover breeding.

56831 to 56833. DIOSPYROS KAKI L. f. Diospyraceæ. **Kaki.**

From Osaki Machi, Tokyo, Japan. Seeds presented by Sengo Matsuda. Received April 6, 1923. Quoted notes by Mr. Matsuda.

Wild kaki varieties introduced as stocks for the cultivated sorts.

56831. "Gara-gara (prolific bearer). A very stout tree from the mountainous districts of Kyusiu Island. The sour fruits are pickled, and the juice is used for waterproofing purposes."

56832. "Tsurushi-gaki. This is good for using dried."

56833. "Yama-gaki. Sour fruits used for pickles."

56834 to 56837. SOJA MAX (L.) PIPER. (*Glycine hispida* Maxim.) Fabaceæ. **Soybean.**

From Liaoyuanchow, Manchuria, China. Seeds presented by H. C. Chang. Received April 12, 1923. Quoted notes by Mr. Chang.

56834. "Black (green inside)."

56835. "Black (yellow inside)."

56836. "Green." **56837. "Yellow."**

56838 to 56841. MANGIFERA INDICA L. Anacardiaceæ. **Mango.**

From Honolulu, Hawaii. Plants presented by Willis T. Pope, horticulturist, Agricultural Experiment Station. Received April 12, 1923. Quoted notes by Mr. Pope.

56838. "West India No. 9. This variety, now quite common in Hawaii, was introduced about 1885 under this name by Joseph Marsden.

"Description of fruit: Shape resembling the letter S; stem prominent; size from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches long, from $2\frac{3}{4}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches broad, and from 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches thick; color before fruit is mature green, turning to a pale yellow when ripe, with a slight blush of pink on the upper end of the exposed side; peeling qualities very good; texture variable but in most specimens rather fibrous; flesh light yellow, sweet but watery; seed small; tree an abundant bearer. The fruit appears to be quite resistant to the attacks of the mango blight."