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shade tree for avenues, with its huge buttressed trunk and long horizontal branches.

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From China. Seeds obtained by F. A. McClure, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received September, 1926.

68867. *APIUM GRAVEOLENS* L. *Apiaceae*.
Celery.

No. 550. *Fuk chow pak kan tsot*. Seeds obtained from a seed store, Sanmiu, Honam, and said to have come from Fukchow, Fukien Province. This variety is planted here in August.

68868. *ARDISIA* sp. *Myrsinaceae*.

No. 521. Lungtau Mountain, northern Kwangtung. *Mo chung yeuk*. A low rosette plant having bright-green, sometimes reddish, leaves densely covered with long soft hairs, and clusters of bright-red berries which follow the small but pretty white flowers. This plant is found in moist shady situations and is good for rock gardens.

68869. *BETA VULGARIS* L. *Chenopodiaceae*.

No. 528. Canton. *Kwan taat tsot*. A Chinese vegetable similar to Swiss chard. It is grown here during the winter months, and the large, white petioles, together with the leaves, are eaten.

68870 to 68883. *BRASSICA* spp. *Brassicaceae*.68870. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 530. Canton. *Paak fa kai laan*. A white-flowered native Chinese vegetable with a habit of growth much like wild mustard, but with much thicker, more succulent, glaucous leaves. It is grown during the winter months.

68871. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 545. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Lausek, near Fatshaan, Kwangtung. *Ma i paak tsot* (horse ear). A variety planted in July; the leaves are edible in about 40 days, and the seeds ripen in about 120 days. The leaves and their broad white tender fleshy petioles make a delicious vegetable; any surplus is dried for later use.

68872. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 546. *Kong moon ai keuk paak tsot*. A variety with shorter, broader leaf petioles, originally from Kongmoon, in the Sunui district, Kwangtung. It is planted from July to November; the leaves are edible in about 60 days, and the seeds ripen in about 120 days. The leaves and petioles are sometimes dried for off-season consumption.

68873. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 547. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Potting, Chihli Province. *Ai keuk wong nga paak, wong paau sam*. A variety which is planted in July, forming a rather loose, globular head in about 85 days. The seeds ripen in about 160 days. It is used as a winter

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vegetable and is very tender, delicious, and of a much milder, sweeter flavor than the common cabbage.

68874. *BRASSICA* sp.

From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Tientsin. *Ko keuk taai tsing nga paak*. A variety planted in July; the heads form in about 80 days, and the seeds ripen in about 120 days. The heads formed by this variety are longer than those of *wong paau sam*, No. 547 [No. 68873], and loose, requiring to be tied up in order to attain their highest perfection.

68875. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 549. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, and originally from Potting, Chihli Province. *Ai keuk paau sam tsing paau nga paak*. This variety, planted in July, forms subglobular heads in about 80 days. It is distinguished from No. 547, *wong paau sam* [No. 68873], by its greener color.

68876. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 551. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Chiu-chow, Kwangtung. *Chiu chow paau sam taai kai tsot*. A variety planted in August here, which is commonly used to make a kind of salt kraut. The leaves are edible in about 80 days, and the seeds are said to ripen in about 120 days.

68877. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 552. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Chiu-chow, Kwangtung. *Taai haap chiu chow kai tsot*. A variety planted in August; the leaves are edible in about 80 days, and the seeds are said to ripen in about 120 days. It is largely used in making a salt kraut.

68878. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 553. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Fatshaan, Kwangtung. *Naam fung kai tsot*. A variety planted throughout the year. The leaves are edible in about 40 days.

68879. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 554. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam, originally from Fatshaan, Kwangtung. *Paak fa kai jaan tsot*. A white-flowered variety planted from July to September. The leaves are edible in about 60 days.

68880. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 555. A locally grown variety obtained at a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam. *Tsing kwat tsot sam*. It is planted in July, and the stems and leaves are edible in about 40 days.

68881. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 556. Said to have come from Shanghai. *Sheung hoi paau sam ye tsot*. This variety, which is cultivated locally, is planted in July, and the heads are said to form in about three months.

68882. *BRASSICA* sp.

No. 557. From a seed store in Sanmiu, Honam. *Kong naam taai tau tsot*. A variety planted here in August; the roots and the leaves are