

- 4370. FENICULUM DULCE.** **Sweet fennel.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
Bolognese.
- 4371. BOEHMERIA NIVEA.** **Ramie.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
 A perennial, native of eastern Asia, long grown in China and India. A fiber known as *China grass* is manufactured from the stems. Ramie requires a hot, moist climate, without extremes of temperature, and a rich, moist soil, so that growth shall be rapid and continuous during the season. The plant is propagated by seeds, cuttings, layers, and division of the roots. The seeds, when used, should be started in hot-beds and the beds shaded until the plants are 2 to 6 inches high, when they may be transplanted to the fields. The best method of propagation is by dividing the roots. The plant is ready for harvest when the seeds commence to ripen.
- 4372. CERATONIA SILIQUA.** **Carob.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
 St. John's Bread, or Algaroba. (See No. 3112, Inventory No. 7.)
- 4373. HOVENIA DULCIS.** **Raisin tree.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
 (See Nos. 3028 and 3310, Inventory No. 7.)
- 4374. NICOTIANA TABACUM.** **Tobacco.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
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- 4375. NICOTIANA TABACUM.** **Tobacco.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
Hungarian Czetnek.
- 4376. NICOTIANA TABACUM.** **Tobacco.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
Hungarian Szegedin.
- 4377. VIGNA CATJANG.** **Cowpea.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900, under the name of *Dolichos sphaerospermus*.
- 4378. PACHYRHIZOS TUBEROSUS.** **Yam-bean.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.
 "The yam-bean or ahipa is a native of Venezuela and other parts of South America up to elevated country. It climbs to a height of 20 feet and bears pods much larger than those of *P. angulatus*, which in a young state are used like French beans. When boiled they are tender and sweetish, but deleterious when raw. They are free from fibrous strings at the edge. Seeds variable in color. The tubers of three plants may fill a bushel basket. They mature in a few months. These edible tubers may attain a weight of 60 pounds." (Von Mueller.)
- 4379. VIGNA CATJANG.** **Cowpea.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900, under the name of *Dolichos tubia*.
- 4380. DOLICHOS LABLAB.** **Madagascar bean.**
 From Naples, Italy. Received February 5, 1900.