

## 76759 to 76768—Continued.

76762. *HIPPOCREPIS COMOSA* L. Fabaceae.

A European herbaceous perennial legume prostrate or up to 2 feet high, with 7 to 11 obovate leaflets, umbels of yellow flowers, and pods made up of segments shaped like a horseshoe.

76763. *HIPPOCREPIS MULTISILIQUOSA* L. Fabaceae.

A southern European annual legume 1 to 2 feet high, with pinnate leaves, yellow flowers, and flat curved pods made up of horseshoe-shaped segments.

For previous introduction see No. 67266.

76764. *INULA VISCOSA* Ait. Asteraceae.

A southern European shrubby perennial 1 to 2 feet high, with yellow flowers.

For previous introduction see No. 67167.

76765. *PSORALEA BITUMINOSA* L. Fabaceae.  
Scurf-pea.

A herbaceous perennial legume about 3 feet high, native to the Mediterranean region, thriving in dry calcareous soil. The leaves are trifoliolate and the small bluish flowers are in heads. The plant has a strong bituminous odor but is said to make good hay.

For previous introduction see No. 67169.

76766. *SCILLA AUTUMNALIS* L. Liliaceae.  
Autumn squill.

An autumn-flowering North African bulbous perennial with slender leaves and loose racemes of rosy pink flowers half an inch wide appearing before the leaves.

For previous introduction see No. 66967.

76767. *SCORPIURUS SUBVILLOSA* L. Fabaceae.

A low annual legume, native to the Mediterranean region, with narrow simple leaves, small yellow flowers, and curled papillose pods resembling caterpillars.

For previous introduction see No. 68149.

76768. *TAMUS COMMUNIS* L. Dioscoreaceae.

A Mediterranean herbaceous twining vine with a tuberous root, ovate-cordate obscurely lobed leaves about 3 inches long, and loose clusters of small yellowish green flowers followed by bright-red berries.

For previous introduction see No. 69361.

## 76769 and 76770.

From Hailar, Manchuria. Seeds presented by N. Glowkhoff, superintendent of the Manchurian Agricultural Society, through G. C. Hanson, United States consul, Harbin. Received April 3, 1928.

76769. *IRIS* sp. Iridaceae.

A yellow iris.

76770. *PRUNUS SIBIRICA* L. Amygdalaceae.  
Siberian apricot.

A spreading shrub or small tree up to 15 feet high, growing on the southern and southeastern slopes of stony mountains in northeastern Asia, where the soil is not very thick. It has long-pointed serrate-ovate leaves, solitary white or pinkish flowers an inch across, and an abundance of yellow fruits, with reddish cheeks, which have very little flesh and are hardly edible.

For previous introduction see No. 68819.

## 76771 to 76774.

From Peradeniya, Ceylon. Seeds presented by the manager of the publication depot and central seed store of the Department of Agriculture. Received April 6, 1928.

76771. *BRADBURYA PUBESCENS* (Benth.) Kuntze (*Centrosema pubescens* Benth.). Fabaceae.

A creeping tropical vine used as a cover crop in the East Indies.

For previous introduction see No. 72430.

76772. *CROTALARIA STRIATA* DC. Fabaceae.

A native leguminous plant of possible use as a cover plant.

For previous introduction see No. 71807.

76773. *DEGUELLIA ROBUSTA* (Roxb.) Kuntze (*Derris robusta* Benth.). Fabaceae.

A tree 30 to 40 feet high, native to the lower Himalayas, with grayish branchlets, compound leaves of 7 to 19 leaflets 2 inches long and gray beneath, and whitish flowers in loose racemes about 6 inches long.

76774. *MEIBOMIA GYROIDES* (DC.) Kuntze (*Desmodium gyroides* DC.). Fabaceae.

A shrubby leguminous plant 8 to 10 feet high, native to the warmer parts of the central and eastern Himalayas. It has hairy leaves and terminal clusters of red flowers.

For previous introduction see No. 68860.

## 76775 and 76776.

From Pretoria, Transvaal, Union of South Africa. Seeds presented by E. Percy Phillips, Division of Botany. Received April 9, 1928.

76775. *BAUHINIA GALPINI* N. E. Brown. Caesalpinaceae.

A South African climbing shrub 5 to 10 feet high. The leaves, two lobed at the apex, are 1 to 3 inches long, and the brick-red flowers are borne continuously from spring to late autumn.

For previous introduction see No. 66148.

76776. *BOLUSANTHUS SPECTIOSUS* (Bolus) Harms. (*Lonchocarpus spectiosus* Bolus). Fabaceae.

A small ornamental South African tree with compound leaves and long racemes of violet flowers. The hard white durable timber is used for wheel spokes.

For previous introduction see No. 55555.

## 76777 to 76779.

From Ceylon and Straits Settlements. Plants collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received July 19, 1926. Numbered April, 1928.

76777. *COUROPTIA GULANENSIS* Aubl. Lecythidaceae.

No. 890. Royal Botanic Garden, Peradeniya, June 9, 1926. The cannon-ball tree, native to Guiana, is one of the strangest freaks of the vegetable kingdom. It is a large handsome tree producing pink fleshy flowers of curious shape on special crooked branches rising from the trunk. These flowers are followed by cannon-ball-shaped fruits 4 to 5 inches in diameter.

For previous introduction see No. 67994.

76778. *IXORA BANDHUCA* Roxb. Rubiaceae.

No. 834. Botanic Garden, Singapore, May 31, 1926. A stout-branched shrub, native to India, with coriaceous cordate-oblong leaves 2 to 4 inches long, cymes of scarlet or yellow flowers, and fleshy fruits the size of a pea.