

70743. CLEMATIS CHRYSOCOMA SERICEA (Franch.) C. Schneid. Ranunculaceae.

From Paris, France. Plant obtained from Vilmorin-Andrieux & Co., through David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received April 26, 1926. Numbered December, 1926.

Variety *rosea*. An ornamental Chinese vine, about 20 feet high, with silky-hairy, rounded leaves and solitary or paired pinkish flowers, 3 to 4 inches in diameter.

For previous introduction see No. 63394.

70744 and 70745.

Bamboos growing on the grounds of the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. Numbered December, 1926.

70744. PHYLLOSTACHYS AUREA Carr. Poaceae. Golden Japanese bamboo.

This bamboo has proved hardy in Washington for nearly 50 years. It has never reached more than 6 feet in height, probably because it is growing in poor soil. Under favorable conditions *Phyllostachys aurea* will grow to a height of 15 to 20 feet. The culms are yellowish and small, and the leaves are also small. It is a rather handsome ornamental but does not hold its green foliage in winter as well as some others.

70745. SASA JAPONICA (Sieb. and Zucc.). Makino. Poaceae. Bamboo.

This bamboo has flourished for nearly 50 years in Washington. It is one of the hardest of all the bamboos, and is used extensively in landscape work as far north as Philadelphia. In parts of the South it is sometimes grown for light stakes. The plant has rather heavy foliage, the leaves being 8 to 12 inches long and 1 to 2 inches wide. It holds its green color well into the winter.

For previous introduction see No. 42651.

70746. RAPHIA VINIFERA Beauv. Phoenicaceae. Palm.

From Peradeniya, Ceylon. Seeds collected by David Fairchild and P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorers, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received February 26, 1926. Numbered December, 1926.

No. 259. Botanic gardens, Peradeniya, January 1, 1926. The sugar or wine palm of West Tropical Africa. It is a large handsome palm with immense pinnate leaves and ornamental fruits in enormous pendent bunches 10 to 12 feet long. This is a striking species for large parks.

70747. STERCULIA DIVERSIFOLIA Don. Sterculiaceae. Black kurrajong.

From East Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. Seeds presented by M. Medson. Received July 17, 1920. Numbered December, 1926.

A tall evergreen ornamental tree with shining green foliage. In some parts of Australia, where the tree is native, the leaves are fed to cattle.

For previous introduction see No. 64001.

70748. CHRYSALIDOCARPUS LUCUBENSIS Beccari. Phoenicaceae. Palm.

From Buitenzorg, Java. Seeds presented by Dr. W. M. Docters van Leeuwen, director, botanic gardens. Received August 13, 1926. Numbered December, 1926.

A rather tall palm native to Madagascar, with elongated pinnate leaves composed of rigid swordlike segments up to 3 feet in length. The obovate fruits are about half an inch long.

For previous introduction see No. 51711.

70749. ACOKANTHERA SPECTABILIS (Sond.) Benth. Apocynaceae.

From Las Palmas, Canary Islands. Seeds collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received August 19, 1925. Numbered December, 1926.

July 22, 1925. A tropical tree with beautiful foliage, cultivated on seashores in regions where there is no frost. The purple fruits contain a gum which may be valuable.

For previous introduction see No. 45748.

70750. ALEURITES FORDII Hemsl. Euphorbiaceae. Tung-oil tree.

From Anhwei Province, China. Seeds collected by F. A. McClure, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received December 27, 1926.

No. 702. Chungmuihoh. October 17, 1926. *Tung yau*. From a tree growing on a wooded slope. It receives little attention, and the yield is correspondingly poor.

70751 to 70753. ARACHIS HYPOGAEA L. Fabaceae. Peanut.

From Buitenzorg, Java. Seeds presented by Dr. L. Koch, Chief, Plant-Breeding Station for Annual Crops. Received October 25, 1926.

Locally grown seeds.

70751. Variety *Toeban*.

70752. *Pure line No. 21*.

70753. *White hybrid No. 3*.

70754. THYSANOLAENA MAXIMA (Roxb.) Kuntze (*T. agrostis* Nees). Poaceae. Grass.

From Peradeniya, Ceylon. Plants collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received July 19, 1926. Numbered December, 1926.

No. 873. Botanic gardens. June 9, 1926. A tropical ornamental grass 10 feet high.

70755 and 70756. CASTANEA spp. Fagaceae.

From the United States Plant Field Station, Bell, Md. Scions grafted on *Castanea crenata* seedlings.

70755. *CASTANEA HENRYI* (Skan) Rehd. and Wils. Chinese timber chinquapin.