

**12874 to 12876. ORYZA SATIVA.****Rice.**

From Canton, China. Presented by Mr. T. E. Griffith. Received January 28, 1905.

Samples of Chinese rice, as follows:

- 12874.** "*Shie-Miu.*" (No. 1.)                      **12876.** "*Laer-Chap.*" (No. 3.)  
**12875.** "*Ai-Miu.*" (No. 2.)

"As to the local manner of planting this rice, a seed bed some 30 yards square is prepared alongside of the large rice fields about the month of August. This seed bed is composed of softish mud, and the grain is scattered over the surface, which is kept wet enough to cause it to sprout. In about three weeks' time the mass of seedlings are about 10 inches in height, when they are taken up and planted out in the rice fields in bunches of 20 or so seedlings together, at intervals of a foot between bunches.

"The soil of the fields is a bluish alluvial mud, and, after planting, it is kept constantly inundated with water from the numerous creeks which intersect the country. In about one hundred days from planting out the grain is ripe, and is then gathered in." (*Griffith.*)

**12877 to 12895.**

From New Zealand. Presented by the government of New Zealand thru Mr. M. A. Carleton. Received February 11, 1905.

A collection of grains, etc., from the New Zealand exhibit at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, St. Louis, Mo., 1904.

**12877 to 12882. AVENA SATIVA. Oat.**

- 12877.** *Danish.*    **12880.** *Canadian.*  
**12878.** *Dun.*    **12881.** *White Tartar.*  
**12879.** *Sparroubill.*                                      **12882.** *Black Tartar.*

**12883 to 12886. TRITICUM VULGARE. Wheat.**

- 12883.** *Pearl.*    **12885.** *Hunter's.*  
**12884.** (No label.)    **12886.** *Tuscan.*

**12887 to 12889. PISUM SATIVUM. Pea.**

- 12887.** *Brown.* (Marked "B.")                      **12889.** *Green.*  
**12888.** *Green.* (Marked "C.")

**12890. TRIFOLIUM REPENS. White clover.****12891. TRIFOLIUM PRATENSE. Red clover.**  
*Colonial.***12892. LOLIUM ITALICUM. Italian rye-grass.****12893. LOLIUM PERENNE. Perennial rye-grass.****12894. PILEUM PRATENSE. Timothy.**  
*Colonial.***12895. DACTYLIS GLOMERATA. Orchard grass.****12896. LILIUM NEILGHERRENSE.****Neilgherry lily.**

From Utakamund, India. Received thru Mr. G. H. Cave, superintendent of the Government Botanic Gardens, February 14, 1904.

**12897 to 12899.**

From Durban, Natal. Presented by Mr. J. Medley Wood, director of the Botanic Gardens. Received February 14, 1905.

**12897. COFFEA ZANGUEBARIÆ (?). Coffee.**

"According to a letter of January 12, 1905, from Mr. Wood, this species of *Coffea*, regarding the identification of which he is doubtful, is quite immune