

97740 to 97745.

From the West Indies. Material collected by David Fairchild and P. H. Dorsett, agricultural explorers, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the 1931-32 Allison V. Armour expedition. Received February 29, 1932.

97740. ARENGA ENGLERI Beccari. Phoenicaceae. Palm.

No. 2684. Collected in the Botanic Gardens, Dominica, Leeward Islands, January 29, 1932. A cluster palm with no trunk, which suckers from the ground and forms clumps 10 feet across. The pinnae are 16 inches long and over an inch wide and are fishtail shaped. The fruits are red and less than an inch in diameter.

97741. CALATHEA sp. Marantaceae.

No. 2730. Tubers presented by Mrs. Charles W. Doorley, from the garden of the Government House, St. Lucia, Windward Islands, February 3, 1932. The leaves of this perennial herb are wine colored in the center, and the flower spike 8 inches high is the same color. The calatheas are shade-loving and acid-or neutral-soil plants and useful only where they are given constant care.

97742 and 97743. DIOSCOREA spp. Dioscoreaceae.

Tubers purchased in the market at Dominica, Leeward Islands, January 29, 1932.

97742. DIOSCOREA ALATA L. Winged yam.

No. 2706. *The lady yam.*

97743. DIOSCOREA TRIFIDA L. f. Yample.

No. 2705. *Cuscus yam.* A small yam which is delicious when baked and served with drawn butter.

97744. RAJANIA CORDATA L. (*R. pleioneura* Griseb.). Dioscoreaceae. Cockscomb-yam.

No. 2704. *Waw waw.* Tubers purchased in the market at Dominica, January 28, 1932. A species which grows wild in the wet lands of the island. It is not cultivated, probably because an abundance can be obtained by digging in the forest.

For previous introduction see 29129.

97745. HAEMANTHUS MULTIFLORUS Martyn. Amaryllidaceae.

Bulbs of the fire-lily or poison-lily; a flame of fire without leaves, very characteristic.

97746. CRYPTOMERIA JAPONICA (L. f.) D. Don. Pinaceae. Common cryptomeria.

From Japan. Seeds presented by Prof. Mitsunaga Fujitoka, Division of Forestry, College of Agriculture, Tokyo Imperial University, Komaba, Tokyo. Received March 1, 1932.

A beautiful Japanese evergreen forest tree, growing to a height of 300 feet and attaining a diameter of 7 feet. It will withstand considerable frost.

For previous introduction see 91788.

97747. MANGIFERA INDICA L. Anacardiaceae. Mango.

From the island of Guam. Plants presented by C. W. Edwards, director, Agricultural Experiment Station. Received October 20, 1926. Numbered in March, 1932.

*Saipan.* The fruit of this mango is much inferior to that of the *Carobao* and other leading mango varieties, but it is relatively very hardy. Seedlings come into bearing in from 4 to 5 years and it makes a good stock.

For previous introduction see 97265.

97748. DAHLIA ROSEA Cav. Asteraceae.

From Chile, South America. Tubers collected by H. G. MacMillan and C. O. Erlanson, Bureau of Plant Industry. Received March 8, 1932.

No. 28. Collected January 16, 1932 in a garden at Puerto Varas. A cultivated variety with double red flowers.

97749. BERBERIS PARVIFOLIA Sprague. Berberidaceae. Barberry.

From Sweden. Seeds presented by Hortus Botanicus Berglanus, Stockholm. Received March 4, 1932.

A low shrub from western China, with half-evergreen, occasionally spiny-toothed leaves, golden-yellow flowers, and globose berries of a terra-cotta color.

For previous introduction see 67137.

97750 to 97790.

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97750. ACACIA CUNNINGHAMII Hook. Mimosaceae.

No. 2659. Collected in the Botanic Garden on Antigua, Leeward Islands, January 26, 1932. A tree strikingly like a eucalypt in character; its phyllocadia much resemble the so-called leaves of that genus. The curious seed pods appear to be strung along the stems.

97751. ANACARDIUM OCCIDENTALE L. Anacardiaceae. Cashew.

No. 2725. Collected in the Botanic Garden on St. Lucia, Windward Islands, February 3, 1932. The cashew nut of commerce.

97752. BAUHINIA MONANDRA Kurz. Caesalpiniaceae. Butterfly bauhinia.

No. 2791. Collected February 8, 1932, on Carriacou, Grenadine Islands. An ornamental tropical African bush or small tree with handsome pink flowers variegated with yellow and spotted with red.

For previous introduction see 88512.

97753. BUCIDA BUCERAS L. Combretaceae.

No. 2653. *Whitewood.* Presented by the head gardener at the St. John's Botanic Garden, Antigua, January 26, 1932. A large handsome tree similar to No. 2601 (96502). Of probable value as a windbreak, as these trees are found on