

**17499 to 17504—Continued.**

tled 'The Races of Tobacco.' Imported for breeding experiments in connection with a search for a disease-resistant strain in North Carolina." (*Fairchild.*)

**17499.** NICOTIANA TABACUM FRUTICOSA.

*Karchiaku.*

**17500.** NICOTIANA TABACUM FRUTICOSA.

*Doniaku.*

**17501.** NICOTIANA ALATA PERSICA.

*Schiraz.*

**17502.** NICOTIANA RUSTICA TEXANA.

*Calcutta.*

**17503.** NICOTIANA RUSTICA BRASILIA.

*Dzjouchin Rhau.*

**17504.** NICOTIANA RUSTICA BRASILIA.

*Veitchen.*

**17505 and 17506. CITRUS AURANTIUM.****Orange.**

From Shanghai, China. Presented by Rev. J. M. W. Farnham, D. D. Received February 8, 1906.

Orange seeds, as follows:

**17505.** From Swatow, China. "A very fine loose-skinned variety; lobes separate easily." (*Farnham.*)

**17506.** From Canton, China. "A better variety of orange than I have ever eaten in the United States or Europe. Close skin, and lobes not separable." (*Farnham.*)

**17507. CITRUS AURANTIUM.****Orange.**

From Algiers, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, government botanist. Received February 8, 1906.

"Seeds of the famous orange *Blida*, which, according to Doctor Trabut's label, is an early variety, having large, sweet fruits and reproducing by seeds. The *Blida* orange is one of the best grown in northern Algeria and, as I understand, these seeds are from selected fruits of this variety." (*Swingle.*)

**17508. TRIFOLIUM PRATENSE.****Red clover.**

From Lausanne, Switzerland. Presented by Prof. G. Martinet, director, Etablissement Federal D'Essais et de Controle de Semences a Lausanne. Received February 12, 1906.

Selection with yellow grains.

**17509. BETA VULGARIS.****Sugar beet.**

From Fairfield, Wash. Received through Mr. E. H. Morrison. Crop of 1905.

*Kleinwanzleben.*

**17510. QUERCUS CUSPIDATA.**

From Yokohama, Japan. Received through Mr. F. N. Meyer from the Yokohama Nursery Company, February 15, 1906.

This is an evergreen oak much used in Japan for hedges, for which it seems admirably suited. Its acorns, although of small size, are of very sweet taste when baked like chestnuts, and when boiled or roasted are regularly sold in Japan for food; not hardy in the northern States.