

The introduction of nearly 50 species and varieties of *Allium* from widely scattered sources throughout the globe is a result of an attempt to assemble and grow all available members of this hitherto much-neglected genus. These will, of course, be of value to vegetable breeders interested in the close relatives of those species commonly grown for food, but their introduction will also bring about a more definite knowledge concerning the ornamental value of many little-known species.

Several apparently new species of *Prunus* and *Solanum* are recorded in a shipment of 58 lots of seeds presented by A. H. Lee, Kulu, Punjab, India (Nos. 111764–111821), along with a considerable number of new perennial and woody plants of ornamental value, mostly from the temperate highlands of northern India. Two other shipments of new or rare, mostly woody, plants from western China also should be noted: One of 12 lots (Nos. 111737–111748), presented by Lord Aberconway, Tal-y-Cafn, North Wales; the other of 53 lots of seeds (Nos. 111349 to 111401) from H. H. Chung, National Wu-Han University, Hupeh, China.

The botanical determinations of seeds introduced have been made and the nomenclature determined by Paul Russell, who has had general supervision of this inventory.

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