

19271. XANTHOSOMA sp.

Yautia.

From Kingsville, Tex. Presented by Mr. John D. Harvey, October 13, 1906.

19272. CYNARA SCOLYMUS.

Artichoke.

From Paris, France. Received through Vilmorin-Andrieux & Co., October 16, 1906.

*Flat Brittany.*

19273. DOLICHANDRONE RHEEDII.

From Manila, P. I. Presented by Mr. W. S. Lyon, of the Bureau of Agriculture, October 12, 1906.

19274 and 19275. ASPARAGUS spp.

From Pretoria, Transvaal. Presented by Prof. J. Burt Davy, of the Transvaal Department of Agriculture. Received October 15, 1906. Imported for work in asparagus-breeding experiments.

19274. (Davy's No. 2968/1151/06.)

19275. (Davy's No. 1049/06.)

"Collected in the Ermelo District, on the high veld between 4,000 and 5,000 feet altitude, subject to a summer rainfall of 26 inches, with considerable heat, but a completely dry, cold winter of about five months' duration." (*Davy.*)

19276. PINUS LONGIFOLIA.

Pine.

From Jamaica Plain, Mass. Presented by Prof. C. S. Sargent, of the Arnold Arboretum. Received September 1, 1906.

"This is an Indian species and not the same as *P. roxburghi*, which is the same as *P. excelsa*." (*Sargent.*)

19277. APIUM GRAVEOLENS (?).

From Port Stanley, Falkland Islands. Secured by Mr. John E. Rowan, U. S. consul. Received October 18, 1906.

A wild celery introduced for breeding purposes with the cultivated forms.

19279. SCIRPUS TUBEROSUS.

From China. Received through Mr. John Tull, special agent, October 16, 1907.

Japanese nut *Kuro-kuwai*. "(No. 1.) Roots of a bulbous plant of Cyperaceæ, growing wild in marshy places; also cultivated in paddy land for tubers. In winter they are dug and eaten either raw or boiled, resembling a chestnut in taste. In China starch is made from them and called *Batci-fun*. This is the Chinese variety which is largely imported into Japan to eat raw. These roots were purchased on the market in Yokohama, Japan." (*Tull.*)

19282. LATHYRUS TINGITANUS.

Tangier scarlet pea.

From Algiers, Algeria. Received through Dr. L. Trabut, October 19, 1906.

19284 to 19287.

From Tehuacan, Puebla, Mexico. Received through Dr. J. N. Rose, of the U. S. National Museum, October 22, 1906.

19284. BEAUCARNEA OEDIPUS, Rose.

"(No. 11220.) One of my new species and is one of the most remarkable desert plants I have ever seen." (*Rose.*)