

**129769. ROOSEVELTIA FRANKLINIANA O. F. Cook. Phoenicaceae. Palm.**

From the Cocos Islands, Costa Rica. Seeds and plants collected by Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, United States National Museum. Received August 12, 1938.

Material collected during the 1938 cruise of President Franklin D. Roosevelt on the U. S. S. *Houston*.

A tall handsome palm with a rigid, columnar trunk, the base rather abruptly thickened, and a crown of large pinnate leaves with many long and pendent pinnae. It is very similar in size and general appearance to the coconut palm. Native to the Cocos Islands, Costa Rica.

**129770. VIGNA SESQUIPEDALIS (L.) Fruwirth. Fabaceae.****Asparagus bean.**

From Cuba. Seeds presented by Thomas R. Towns, Holguin. Received August 11, 1938.

String beans which become 12 to 15 inches long, maturing in about 60 days; very prolific and bearing for many months.

**129771 to 129802.**

From New Zealand. Seeds presented by the Curator, Botanic Gardens, Christchurch. Received August 9, 1938.

Unless otherwise mentioned, these plants are all native to New Zealand.

**129771. BELLSCHMIEDIA TAWA (A. Cunn.) T. Kirk. Lauraceae.**

A tall forest tree up to 80 feet high and 4 feet in diameter, with alternate lanceolate leaves 2 to 4 inches long and slender panicles of minute flowers followed by dark-purple, ovoid fruits 1 inch long. The wood is white, straight-grained, and easily worked, being used for buckets, tubs, casks, etc. The pulp of the plumlike fruit is eaten raw, and the kernels are eaten after steaming.

For previous introduction see 77174.

**129772. CARMICHAELIA UNIFLORA T. Kirk. Fabaceae.**

A dwarf matted shrub with slender, often subterranean stems, 1 to 2 inches high, forming large patches, and solitary purplish flowers  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch long.

For previous introduction see 128860.

**129773 to 129778. CELMISIA spp. Asteraceae.****129773. CELMISIA CORIACEA (Forst. f.) Hook. f.**

A herbaceous perennial with a short stout stem crowned with lanceolate leaves 1 to 2 feet long from the bases of which arise several stout woolly scapes 3 feet high bearing heads of white flowers more than 3 inches broad.

For previous introduction see 77550.

**129774. CELMISIA DISCOLOR Hook. f.**

A herbaceous perennial with stems branching at the base, often forming broad, flat-topped cushions. The leaves are crowded, imbricated, leathery, and the large heads of daisylike flowers are white-rayed.

**129775. CELMISIA HOLOSERICEA (Forst. f.) Hook. f.**

A herbaceous perennial with lanceolate, spreading, radical leaves 6 to 12 inches long and few slender scapes bearing large heads of white-rayed flowers. Native to South Island, New Zealand.

**129776. CELMISIA INCANA Hook. f.**

A short stout branching herbaceous perennial with broad plaited leathery leaves and large heads of white-rayed flowers.

**129777. CELMISIA MAJOR Cheeseman.**

A low stout spreading herbaceous perennial with thick leathery narrow-linear leaves 4 to 15 inches long and large flower heads.

**129778. CELMISIA NOVAE-ZEALANDIAE (Buch.) Cheesem.**

A densely tufted perennial with woody stems 7 to 8 inches high, many leathery, linear leaves, and 2 to 3 scapes of large heads of white-rayed flowers.