

24368—Continued.

"This plant does exceedingly well here, and it has recently occurred to me that it would be a successful and cheap substitute for palms for decorative purposes in the North." (*Wester.*)

"This is extensively grown in gardens in Mexico as an ornamental under the name of 'Hoja de vandra.'" (*Frederic Chisolm.*)

24369. VIGNA UNGUICULATA (L.) Walp.**Cowpea.**

From Biloxi, Miss. Procured by Prof. S. M. Tracy. Received November 25, 1908.

"A variety of cowpea, the vines of which were 50 feet long, and it was stated by the owner to grow 100 feet long. The plants were dead when I saw them, but the owner states that the plant is perennial. The pods are very large, measuring 10 inches in length and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in width, while the seeds closely resemble those of the ordinary *Whippoorwill* variety." (*Tracy.*)

24370 to 24401.

From Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, director, Agricultural Experiment Station, Brookings, S. Dak., December, 1908, while traveling as an agricultural explorer for this Department.

The following seeds and cuttings:

24370. RIBES NIGRUM L.

24371. RIBES sp.

"(No. 5.) A wild black currant from near village Mali Ssusum, steamer landing place on the Obi River, a short distance north of Barnaul, Tomsk, western Siberia." (*Hansen.*)

24372. RIBES sp.

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24373. RIBES sp.

24374. RIBES sp.

"(No. 96.) A wild black currant from Taischet, between Krasnojarsk, central Siberia, and Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal, Siberian railway. For fruit breeding." (*Hansen.*)

24375. RUBUS sp.

"(No. 1.) A red wild raspberry as found native at Besentsug, near Samara, Volga River region, Russia. For fruit breeding." (*Hansen.*)

24376. RUBUS FRUTICOSUS L.

"(No. 6.) A wild raspberry gathered near Gorodische, on Obi River, a few miles north of Barnaul, Tomsk, western Siberia. Fruit much gathered by peasants and sold at steamer landings." (*Hansen.*)

24377. RUBUS FRUTICOSUS L.

"(Nos. 30 and 31.) A wild raspberry much gathered by peasants in western Siberia; this was procured at steamer landing Katschiskaya. For fruit breeding." (*Hansen.*)

24378. RUBUS sp.

"(No. 34.) Wild red raspberry from station Tiaschet, between Krasnojarsk, central Siberia, and Irkutsk, on Lake Baikal, Siberian railway. For fruit breeding." (*Hansen.*)