

25511—Continued.

“A wild euphorbiaceous Mexican plant which is of great interest because the dry stems yield, it is claimed, from 3 to 5 per cent of a fine hard wax which seems suited to coating phonograph cylinders and similar uses. Grows in the dry semidesert regions of north-central Mexico, Lower California, and southwest Texas.” (*Frederic Chisolm.*)

Distribution.—A native of the sandy and stony slopes in the Rio Grande Valley, in Texas and Mexico.

25512. VIGNA UNGUICULATA (L.) Walp. **Cowpea.**

From New Orleans, La. Purchased from the J. Steckler Seed Company. Received April 29, 1909.

Steckler's Improved Louisiana Wild. “This variety, which is really a mixture of varieties, is naturalized in parts of Louisiana, where it volunteers from year to year. It has been grown at Arlington Farm, Virginia, for the past 3 years, and proves to be a tall, upright, quite leafy, late variety. Too late for this latitude, but would probably be a valuable variety for Florida, where lateness is desired.” (*C. V. Piper.*)

25513. GERBERA JAMESONI Bolus. **Barberton daisy.**

From Cape Town, South Africa. Presented by Mr. H. J. Chalwin, superintendent, Public Gardens. Received May 1, 1909.

“This has a beautiful flower, orange-red in color.” (*Chalwin.*)

Distribution.—A native of the Transvaal region of South Africa, especially in the vicinity of Barberton.

25514. MUCUNA GIGANTEA (Willd.) DC.

From Richmond River, New South Wales, Australia. Presented to Mr. J. H. Maiden, director and government botanist, Botanic Gardens, Sydney. Received May 12, 1909.

“This is a tall tree-climbing tropical plant, extending over East India and the Malayan and South Pacific Islands. In New South Wales it only occurs in the northern districts.” (*Maiden.*)

25515. CYPHOMANDRA BETACEA (Cav.) Sendt. **Tree tomato.**

From Kingston, Jamaica. Presented by Mr. W. Harris, superintendent, Hope Botanic Gardens. Received May 13, 1909.

See No. 12758 for description.

Distribution.—Native and cultivated in Central and South America, extending south to the vicinity of Buenos Aires. Also cultivated in the West Indies, in the Mediterranean region, and other countries.

25516 and 25517.

From Gobindapur, India. Presented by Mr. A. C. Roy, secretary, Comilla Victoria College. Received April 19, 1909.

Seed of each of the following:

25516. PHASEOLUS RADIATUS L.

Black.

25517. LATHYRUS SATIVUS L.