

27418 to 27462.

From Chile. Received through Mr. José D. Husbands, Limavida, via Molina, Chile, March 18, 1910.

Seeds of the following. Descriptive notes by Mr. Husbands:

27418. ACACIA CAVENIA (Mol.) Bert.

See No. 24309 for description.

27419. BERBERIS CHILENSIS Gill.

"*Michay*. A yellow-flowered, thorned, dark-leaved, evergreen bush about 6 feet high, suitable for live fences and ornament. The Indians eat the fruit."

27420. CAESALPINIA BREVIFOLIA (Clos) Baill.

"*Algarrobito*. A wild bush from the dry rainless north, near Huasco. This is a valuable industrial plant, grown for its tannin, of which it has 40 per cent. It is also a beautiful flowering ornamental."

27421. CEREUS QUISCO Gay.

"*Guillaves*. A cactus which grows very tall and perfectly straight, with an extra-large, double, fragrant white flower and comestible fruit."

27422. CUCURBITA sp.

Squash.

"A field variety."

27423 to 27429. FRAGARIA CHILOENSIS (L.) Duchesne. **Strawberry.**

27423. "Light red, pink flesh, fine flavor, medium to large size, early."

27424. "Flesh pink outside and white inside, very sweet and fine flavored, short stems, prolific."

27425. "Fresh pink outside and white inside, very sweet and fine flavored, softens quickly, long stems, prolific."

27426. "Outside yellow; flesh white, extra firm; good keeper; lacks flavor and sweetness; extra large; prolific; short stems."

27427. "Light red or crimson tops with the bottom tip white; flesh pink near the outside, white center, good flavor."

27428. "White and pink, firm flesh, not much flavor; good shippers."

27429. "White inside and outside; extra-firm flesh; good shipper; less flavor than red varieties."

"The medium-sized red varieties are softer fleshed, sweeter, and better flavored than the white kinds; they do not keep long when picked, and must be used fresh. The large white and yellow classes have solid flesh, are good keepers and shippers. While they lack the exquisite flavor of American varieties, they are good eating and are highly esteemed as desirable sorts. The demand is largely in excess of the supply."

27430 and 27431. HELIANTHUS ANNUUS L.

Sunflower.

27430. "This variety flowers at every leaf, and afterwards flowers again."

27431. "This variety has 27 flowers on 1 stalk."

27432. LAURELIA SEMPERVIRENS (Ruiz and Pav.) Tul.

Laurel.

"From the island of Maucera, near Corral, the port of Valdivia."

27433 and 27434. LITHREA CAUSTICA (Mol.) Hook. and Arn.

27433. "From the dry inland coast country."

27434. From the Cordilleras.