

28199 to 28262—Continued.**28255. VIOLA HIRTA L.**

Distribution.—On rocks and in pastures throughout Europe and to the Caucasus Mountains and Asia Minor in southwestern Asia.

28256. VIOLA MIRABILIS L.

Distribution.—Mountainous woods in Germany and Sweden and northern Russia, and southward to the Caucasus Mountains.

28257. VIOLA MUNBYANA Boiss. & Reut.

Distribution.—On the slopes of Mount Beni-Salah near the village of Blidah, on the coast of Algeria.

28258. VIOLA ODORATA L.

Distribution.—On banks, under hedges, in woods, and on the borders of pastures over most of Europe and Asia, extending north to temperate Sweden.

28259. VIOLA PERSICIFOLIA Roth.

Distribution.—Along canals and brooks and in swamps in southern and western Germany, and in Switzerland.

28260. VIOLA PRATENSIS Mert. & Koch.

Distribution.—Damp pastures, meadows, and sandy banks of streams in Bohemia and the valley of the Rhine in Germany.

28261. VIOLA ROSTRATA Muhlenburg.

Distribution.—Northeastern North America, from Quebec to Michigan and southward in the Alleghenies to Georgia.

28262. VIOLA TRICOLOR L.

Distribution.—On hilly pastures and banks in cultivated and waste places throughout Europe and Asia. Sparingly persisting as an escape from cultivation in the United States.

28264 to 28266.

From Turkestan. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, June 25, 1910.

Roots of the following:

28264. (Undetermined.)

From mountains near Bacharden, Turkestan. "(No. 785, June 6, 1910.) A very ornamental, low-growing, perennial plant belonging to the Silenaceae; it produces a mass of dark rosy-red flowers in early June. Grows between rocks and boulders on sunburned mountain sides; apparently prefers drained situations. Of value as a rockery plant in dry, hot regions." (*Meyer.*)

28265. CAPRIOLA DACTYLON (L.) Kuntze.

From Kizil Arvat, Turkestan. "(No. 787, June 2, 1910.) A crab-grass growing in the desert along the banks of dry rivers and irrigation canals. Seems to be the well-known Bermuda grass or a form of it. Recommended for testing as a lawn grass in dry and hot regions, as it forms a dense turf in its native haunts where camels and donkeys browse upon it." (*Meyer.*)

28266. EREMURUS ALTAICUS (Pall.) Stev.

From mountains near Bacharden, Turkestan. "(No. 788, June 5, 1910.) An ornamental Eremurus growing on dry mountain slopes between rocks and stony débris. It has columnar spikes of rosy-purple flowers. Probably of value as a garden ornamental in regions where aridity of the atmosphere prevails together with high summer and fairly low winter temperatures." (*Meyer.*)