

29099. STIZOLOBIUM ATERRIMUM Piper and Tracy. **Mauritius or Bengal bean.**

From the State of Minas Geraes, Brazil. Presented by Mr. Walter Fischer, acting director, Campo de Cultura Experimental Paraense. Received November 26, 1910.

See No. 28906 for description.

29100. MELINIS MINUTIFLORA Beauv.

From Brazil. Presented by Dr. Orville A. Derby, Servico Geologico e Mineralogico do Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Received December 2, 1910.

"The species of grass named *Panicum melinis* (*Melinis minutiflora*) occurs in at least two distinct varieties: *Capim catingueiro roxo* and *Catingueiro claro*. The *Melinis minutiflora* is certainly but a synonym of the *Panicum melinis* and no distinct species. A variety has been found at Petropolis, but as I had no opportunity to see this variety, I think it is an adaptation to the different conditions of humidity in the mountains." (*Alberto Löfgren, director, Botanic Garden, Sao Paulo, Brazil.*)

29101 to 29105.

From China. Presented by Mr. T. M. Wilkinson, Foochow, China. Received November 28, 1910.

Seeds of the following; notes by Mr. Wilkinson:

29101. CITRUS DECUMANA (L.) Murr. **Pomelo.**

"This tree grows 200 miles north of Foochow. It is much like the orange, but coarser. The fruit weighs from 2 to 3 pounds; the casings of the pulp are very bitter; the skin is very thick in the large fruits, nearly half an inch. All casing and rind must be carefully removed before eating. It is semitart and of fine flavor. Grows on any good land. Season, September 15 to April."

29102. DIOSPYROS KAKI L. f. **Persimmon.**

"I am told that this tree grows as far north as Shanghai. The fruits are large, many of them being 2 inches in diameter; skin and pulp red; sweet and fine flavored. Grows from valley to mountain side."

29103. CRATAEGUS PINNATIFIDA Bunge. **Hawthorn.**

"*San cha*. In habit this fruit tree is very much like the American thorn-apple or hawthorn, but the fruit is much larger, being 1 to 1½ inches in diameter. It is semitart and makes delicious sauce and preserves."

29104. (Undetermined.)

"Yellow bullet. This tree in habit and appearance is like litchi and linging. The fruit is russet in color, with skin like a grape and a translucent, semitart pulp. Season, August 10 to September 20."

29105. (Undetermined.)

"A doctor who lives 200 miles in the interior gave me the fruit this seed came from and said it seemed to grow wild. In appearance it was very much like a pawpaw, but the flavor was semitart; he was unable to learn the native name. Where this came from there is some snow in winter."