

29418. CUCUMIS MELO L.**Muskmelon.**

From Port Said, Egypt. Presented by Mr. Michael A. Borg, United States Engineer Band, Washington, D. C. Received January 24, 1911.

"Local name of this melon is *Shammam*. It is a long type, sweeter than *Netted Gem*, with flesh that peels away from the skin. It is a summer melon planted in Port Said in March." (*Borg.*)

29419 to 29423.

From Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Presented by Mr. Antonio Augusto Pereira da Fonseca. Received January 23, 1911.

Seeds of the following:

29419. ACANTHORHIZA WARCZEVITZII Wendl. **Palm.**

Distribution.—Apparently native of Central America.

29420. COCOS ODORATA Rodr. **Palm.**

Distribution.—A palm native on the plains in the Province of Rio Grande do Sul, southern Brazil; cultivated at Rio de Janeiro.

29421. JESSENIA AMAZONUM Drude (?). **Palm.**

Distribution.—The eastern equatorial region of Brazil.

29422. CARYOTA SPECIOSA Hort. **Palm.**

29423. (Undetermined.)

"*Pitambo*. A fruit very agreeable and aromatic." (*Fonseca.*)

29424. RAVENALA MADAGASCARIENSIS Sonnerat.**Traveler's tree.**

From Palm Beach, Fla. Presented by Mr. J. B. Donnelly, Palm Beach Hotel. Received January 24, 1911.

The so-called traveler's tree is one of the most conspicuous semitropical plants. It grows to a height of 20 to 30 feet and is a near relative of the banana, resembling that plant somewhat in its leaves. It has a palmlike trunk with large leaves, crowded in two ranks so that the head has the form of a gigantic fan; suitable for planting in semitropical sections.

29425 and 29426. ARISTIDA PENNATA Trin.

From central Asia. Presented by Prof. A. Fischer von Waldheim, director, Imperial Botanic Garden, St. Petersburg, Russia. Received January 23, 1911.

Seeds of the following:

29425. Variety *karelini*. Grown in the sand near the railroad station at Farab. See No. 9582 for previous introduction.

29426. Variety *minor*. From Transcaspian Turkestan; grown on the sand dunes near the Repetek station of the central Asian railroad.

29427 to 29429. CAMPOMANESIA sp.**Guabiroba.**

From Itapeteninga, Sao Paulo, Brazil. Presented by Mr. Welman Bradford, chief of the commission of wheat-culture experiments. Received January 26, 1911.

Fruits of the following; quoted notes by Mr. Bradford:

29427. "Varietal name unknown."

29428. "Variety *pelluda*. Small fruited."

29429. "Grows wild in open undulating prairies."