

can I find any mention of it in any botanical books. It grows in bush form to a height of about 2 meters, the fruit, which is about the size and coloring of a dark-red plum, being borne in clusters about the main stalks. I have never tasted the fruit, but it is very highly spoken of by the natives here." (*Mead.*)

34311. PRUNUS CERASUS L. Cherry.

From Abchasia, Western Caucasus. Presented by Mr. A. Rolloff, director, Botanic Garden, Tiflis, Caucasus, Russia. Received September 9, 1912.

These are said by Mr. Rolloff to be seeds of wild, sour cherries and were sent in under the name *Cerasus caproniana abchasia*.

34312. SYZYGIVM SMITHII (Poir.) Niedenzu.

(*Eugenia smithii* Poir.)

From Melbourne, Australia. Presented by Mr. J. Cronin, curator, Botanic and Domain Gardens. Received September 9, 1912.

"A close-wooded tree from 1 to 3 feet in diameter and from 80 to 120 feet in height. The bark contains about 17 per cent of tannic acid and 3.6 per cent of gallic acid. The white, purplish-tinted fruits are produced in profusion, are acidulous and wholesome, and are eaten by the natives, small boys, and birds." (*Maiden, Australian Native Plants.*)

Distribution.—A tree found in North Australia, Queensland, New South Wales, and Victoria, in Australia.

34313. SOLANUM TUBEROSUM L. Potato.

From La Paz, Bolivia. Presented by Mr. Horace G. Knowles, American consul. Received September 9, 1912.

"A smooth, clean-looking, thin-skinned, white potato of fine flavor and said to be a good keeper." (*Knowles.*)

"Tubers of medium size, decidedly round-oblate in shape; skin dark red; eyes large and deep. In many respects the tubers resemble the American variety known as 'Bliss Triumph'". (*William Stuart.*)

34314. HORDEUM sp. Barley.

From La Paz, Bolivia. Presented by Mr. Horace G. Knowles, American consul. Received September 9, 1912.

"The straw of this barley grows to more than 4 feet in height and must have considerable nourishment, as it is about the only feed given to the animals in this altitude of Bolivia." (*Knowles.*)

34315. RAPHIA sp. Rafia palm.

From McCale Sana, Lumbwa, British East Africa. Presented by Mrs. Ernest Smith. Received September 13, 1912.

"This palm is indigenous to this country, and the midrib of the huge leaves is largely used in the roofing of the buildings." (*Smith.*)

34316. COLOCASIA sp. Dasheen.

From Boca Ceiga, via Largo, Fla. Presented by Mr. T. S. Baldwin, in care of Baldwin & Bosworth. Received August 19, 1912.

"From the appearance of the corm and tubers, this dasheen is of the Japanese type. The corm is acrid in the raw state and is of coarse texture, strong flavor, and deep-violet color when cooked. The tubers are nonacrid when raw, are rather moist when cooked, and have a flavor much like the ordinary potato." (*R. A. Young.*)