

**34497 to 34514—Continued.****34510. PORTULACA OLERACEA L.****Purslane.**

"*Kulfa sag.* A dwarf creeping annual herb with fleshy leaves, which are sometimes used in salads, but more frequently boiled and served like spinach."

**34511. SOLANUM MELONGENA L.****Eggplant.**

"*Banigan.* Long rainy-season variety. The eggplant seems to be especially adapted to the plains of central India, as it thrives there to perfection. The varieties cultivated, of which this is one of the best, appear to be of exceptionally good quality, although the size of the fruit is not large."

**34512. TRICHOSANTHES ANGUINA L.****Snake gourd.**

"*Chachinda.* White variety. An annual of climbing habit. The long, cucumberlike fruits are picked when young, cut into strips, and served like French beans."

**34513. TRICHOSANTHES ANGUINA L.****Snake gourd.**

"*Chachinda.* Black variety. Identical with S. P. I. No. 34512 except in the color of the fruits, which are dark instead of light green."

**34514. VIGNA SESQUIPEDALIS (L.) Fruwirth.****Asparagus bean.***(Dolichos sesquipedalis L.)*

"Cuba or asparagus bean. An annual of climbing habit grown for its long pod, which when immature is served like the French bean. The pods when mature are 9 to 12 inches long."

**34515. AMYGDALUS DAVIDIANA (Carr.) B. S. and Z.****Peach.***(Prunus davidiana Franch.)*

From Tientsin, China. Procured through Mr. Samuel S. Knabenshue, American consul general. Received at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, Cal., November 9, 1912.

See S. P. I. Nos. 22009 and 27310 for descriptions.

**34516. AMYGDALUS DAVIDIANA (Carr.) B. S. and Z.****Peach.***(Prunus davidiana Franch.)*

From Tientsin, China. Presented by Dr. Yamei Kin. Received at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, Cal., November 9, 1912.

"*Shan t'ao*, the mountain wild peach. These seeds came from the Governmental Experimental Farm in Pao Ting Fu and vicinity. They must be planted in the autumn and allowed to be split by the frost so that they will germinate readily in the spring." (*Kin.*)

**34517. CASTANEA sp.****Chestnut.**

From Tientsin, China. Procured through Mr. Samuel S. Knabenshue, American consul general. Received at the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, Cal., November 9, 1912.

"The Chinese wild species of chestnut (*Castanea mollissima* Blume) has shown indications at least of being more or less resistant to chestnut blight, and these may prove to be so, as they come from the same general region as those inoculated and tested." (*Fairchild.*)