

INVENTORY.

34728 to 34730.

From Trivandrum, Travancore, southern India. Presented by the Director of Agriculture. Received January 2, 1913.

Plants of the following:

34728. CYMBOPOGON CITRATUS (DC.) Stapf. **Lemon grass.**
(*Andropogon citratus* DC.)¹

See S. P. I. No. 33786 for previous introduction and description.

34729. CYMBOPOGON NARDUS (L.) Rendle. **Citronella.**
(*Andropogon nardus* L.)

See S. P. I. No. 33787 for previous introduction.

34730. VETIVERIA ZIZANIOIDES (L.) Nash. **Vetiver.**
(*Andropogon squarrosus* L. f.)

Distribution.—A stout grass found throughout the plains and lower hills of India, up to an elevation of 4,000 feet; generally cultivated and escaped into fields in Louisiana.

34731. PHASEOLUS VULGARIS L. **Bean.**

From Bigstone, S. Dak. Presented by Mr. C. J. Brand, of the Bureau of Plant Industry. Received December 30, 1912.

“The parent seed from which this sample was produced in 1912 was brought to Redwood Falls, Minn., from Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, in 1852, by Mrs. Herman Neuenberg. This sample was grown by my mother in her garden. It is more productive than the sorts usually grown in the Northwest, has a longer growing season, cooks much more quickly when cooked as a green snap bean, and recovers after a severe frost and continues to produce.” (Brand.)

34732. NORMANBYA MERRILLII Beccari. **Bonga de China.**

From Manila, Philippine Islands. Presented by Mr. O. W. Barrett, chief, Division of Horticulture, Bureau of Agriculture. Received January 7, 1913.

“A medium-sized palm with graceful, somewhat curved, pinnate leaves, somewhat resembling the common betelnut palm, but not so tall. The leaves are rather glaucous, and the pretty crimson fruits are borne just below the leaves in medium-sized bunches, the individual fruits less than 1 inch long. One of our most ornamental medium-sized palms, which thrives remarkably well in Manila.” (E. D. Merrill.)

34733. ZEA MAYS L. **Corn.**

From Malta. Presented by Lieut. Col. E. P. S. Roupell, Lieutenant Governor and Chief Secretary to Government of Malta, through the American consul, Mr. James Oliver Laing. Received January 6, 1913.

“Maltese-grown corn, very red in color. This produces only one head per seed and on unirrigated ground the plant is about 2 feet 6 inches high. On irrigated ground the plant will grow 5 or 6 feet high.”

¹The italicized names in parentheses are the Index Kewensis names, added for convenience in connecting the names used in this Inventory with the foreign literature in regard to the plants.