

39444. ORYZA SATIVA L. Poaceæ.**Rice.**

From Bangkok, Siam. Presented by Mr. Carl C. Hansen, American vice and deputy consul general. Received November 19, 1914.

"Siamese paddy known as *Kaw Sawan*, which occurs in Thong, Amphur Muang Sawankaloke." (*Hansen.*)

39445 and 39446. ORYZA SATIVA L. Poaceæ.**Rice.**

From Valencia, Spain. Presented by Mr. Claude I. Dawson, American consul. Received November 17, 1914.

39445. "*Amonquili* rice, from the Alberique district, Province of Valencia, Spain. The commercial classes of rice in the Valencia regions, especially along the north and south banks of the Jucar River, or center of the rice district, are at present *Benloch* or *Belloch* [S. P. I. No. 38685] and *Amonquili*. During 1913 the two were cultivated in the proportion of 80 per cent for the first and 20 per cent for the second, and in the season just beginning the *Benloch* will certainly be overwhelmingly preferred in view of repeated excellent results obtained by experiment stations and in actual cultivation." (Extract from letter of *Mr. Claude I. Dawson, American consul, dated Apr. 25, 1914.*)

39446. "*Bomba* rice, from the Calasparra district, Province of Murcia, Spain. The *Bomba* variety, which formerly was more extensively cultivated in this region than all other classes, but in recent years gave such poor results and proved so susceptible to the undefinable disease known as the *falla* (the literal translation of which is 'deficient'), which so greatly depleted the crops of 1911 and 1912 that it is now hardly cultivated at all. The *Bomba* class was cultivated with more or less success, but although a select variety and excellent in its food value, cultivators never secured the best results claimed for it. It is of Japanese origin, but was imported here from China. In Lombardy (Italy) the grain is said to reach much larger size than in the vega of Valencia, due probably to more care in the selection of seed." (Extract from letter of *Mr. Claude I. Dawson, American consul, dated Apr. 25, 1914.*)

39447 to 39453.

From Calulo, Angola, Africa. Presented by Mr. W. P. Dodson. Received November 16, 1914. Quoted notes by Mr. Dodson.

39447 to 39451. HOLCUS SORGHUM L. Poaceæ.**Sorghum.**

(*Sorghum vulgare* Pers.)

"This sorghum is ground up by the natives and used for porridge. Native name *Mballa*."

39452. VIGNA SINENSIS (Torner) Savi. Fabaceæ.**Cowpea.**

"A very useful little black-eyed pea, called *Makunde*."

39453. ELEUSINE CORACANA (L.) Gaertner. Poaceæ.**African millet.**

"The native name is *Luco*. It is ground up by the natives and used for porridge."