

40535), which he says has become a standard hay crop, teff hay selling for as much as £5 a ton in Johannesburg.

The tabog of the Philippines (*Chaetospermum glutinosum*), seed of which our late collaborator, Mr. William S. Lyon, sent in (S. P. I. No. 40550), represented in the mind of this experienced observer, whose death has recently been announced by the papers and whose contributions to these inventories have been most valuable, a possible stock for citrus fruits.

The begonia, which years ago Prof. I. B. Balfour, of the Edinburgh Botanic Gardens, brought back from the island of Socotra, east of the Gulf of Aden, appears to have been most successfully used in the production of a race of winter-blooming begonias (S. P. I. No. 40526).

Of ornamentals for city dooryards and home gardens a number of new or rare species are represented in this inventory—the yellow-flowered *Clematis tangutica* (S. P. I. No. 40570), the dwarf Chinese box, *Buxus harlandii* (S. P. I. No. 40566), the *Cotoneaster dielsiana* (S. P. I. No. 40575) from central China, *Vitis flexuosa parvifolia* (S. P. I. No. 40600) from the same region, *Primula littoniana* (S. P. I. No. 40857) from Yunnan, and *Pyrus salicifolia* (S. P. I. No. 40497) from Russia.

Apple breeders may be interested in the new species of *Malus* from Formosa, *Malus formosana* (S. P. I. No. 40619), which is very distinct from all other species of this genus, and asparagus breeders in *Asparagus lucidus* (S. P. I. No. 40617) from the same island, the roots of which are preserved in sugar and called Tenmondo in Formosa.

To assist in a study of the insecticidal properties of pyrethrum, a large collection of species of *Chrysanthemum* was introduced (S. P. I. Nos. 40511 to 40513, 40542 to 40548, and 40627 to 40644) and tested by the Insecticide and Fungicide Board.

What success will attend the trial in Florida and California citrus groves of *Cracca candida* (S. P. I. No. 40894) and *Cracca villosa purpurea* (S. P. I. No. 40895), two cover-crop plants from Ceylon, remains to be seen. The former appears to be a favorite green-manure crop in that tropical island.

Chinese names in this inventory have been brought, so far as possible, into accord with the best authorities, the geographic names (except when fixed by decisions of the United States Geographic Board) being given in the form accepted by the Chinese Ministry of Communications Postal Guide. Many names of the smaller villages, however, are not listed therein, and in all such cases the location of the village is given with reference to the nearest town mentioned in that reference work.