

46970 to 46972. RIBES VULGARE Lam. Grossulariaceæ.**Garden currant.**

From Langport, Somerset, England. Plants purchased from Kelway & Son. Received January 7, 1919.

The following varieties of garden currants have been purchased for experimental use in the Department.

46970. *Kelway's Somerset.*

46972. *Kelway's Latest of All.*

46971. *Kelway's Eclipse.*

46973 and 46974.

From Ecuador. Presented by Dr. J. N. Rose, associate curator, United States National Herbarium. Received January 10, 1919.

46973. *PROSOPIS CHILENSIS (Molina) Stuntz. Mimosaceæ. Algaroba.*
(*P. juliflora* Swartz.)

"Seeds of the mesquite, called algaroba, which in Ecuador is a very common shrub or tree on the dry parts of the coast. The pods, which are produced in great abundance, are very sweet and form a staple food for horses, mules, and cattle. The wood is very hard and of a dark-brown color. It makes fine fence posts, tool handles, the very best of charcoal, and is an important firewood on railroad engines." (*Rose.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 45165.

46974. *HYMENOCALLIS sp. Amaryllidaceæ.*

"Bulbs of *Hymenocallis* obtained through Mr. Alfred Cartwright, at Guayaquil. Mr. Cartwright states that this plant has beautiful white flowers with long, slender, almost filiform, pendent petals." (*Rose.*)

46975. PYRUS sp. Malaceæ.**Pear.**

From Canton, China. Fruits presented by Mr. G. Weidman Groff. Received January 14, 1919.

"Wild pear, known in Cantonese as *ye sha lu*. Collected on hills near Canton. A possible stock for pear." (*Groff.*)

46976. ORYZA SATIVA L. Poaceæ.**Rice.**

From Nansuchou, Anhwei, China. Presented by Mr. J. L. Buck. Received January 17, 1919.

"Early white fragrant rice (nonglutinous) from Hsinghwa (near Yengcheng) Kiangsu, China." (*Buck.*)

46977. CANAVALI ENSIFORME (L.) DC. Fabaceæ.**Jack bean.**

From China. Presented by Rev. J. E. Shoemaker, Yuyao, via Ningpo. Received January 23, 1919.

"A Chinese white bean of low-growing habit, which bears a mammoth pod." (*Shoemaker.*)