

56786 to 56789.

From Burringbar, New South Wales. Seeds presented by B. Harrison. Received March 26, 1923. Quoted notes by Mr. Harrison, unless otherwise stated.

56786. ALLOTROPSIS SEMIALATA (R. Br.) Hitchc. Poaceæ. Cockatoo grass.

"A native grass which becomes 2 to 3 feet high in sandy soil."

"Cockatoo grass is excellent pasturage and of good seeding habit. It is leafy at the base." (Roland McKee.)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 41751.

56787. CUDRANIA JAVANENSIS Trecul. Moraceæ.

"Cocklespur. A thorny trailing shrub which should prove useful in making an almost impenetrable hedge."

The fruit, which is edible and of pleasant flavor, is irregular in shape and about as large as a small custard-apple.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 40618.

56788. DAVIDSONIA PRURIENS F. Muell. Cunoniaceæ.

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For previous introduction and description, see S. P. I. No. 56146.

56789. PASPALUM SCROBICULATUM L. Poaceæ. Koda millet.

"A native grass about a foot high, relished by all kinds of livestock."

An erect annual grass averaging 2 feet in height, native to India, where it is also extensively cultivated for the edible grain. The grain is poisonous, however, unless kept for a number of years. Cattle are fond of the grass when it is young; at the time of ripening it is poisonous to stock.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 51317.

56790. GOSSYPIUM sp. Malvaceæ. Kidney cotton.

From Horqueta, Paraguay. Seeds presented by Thomas R. Gwynn. Received February 26, 1923.

"Mandiyu, single seeded. Especially strong and used for hammocks." (Gwynn.)