

in this country; and a wild potato (*Solanum* sp., No. 57747), also for the use of breeders.

Our efforts to introduce wild South African species of gladiolus for the use of American lovers of this handsome flower have been somewhat discouraging, because of the prohibitive prices which the bulbs command, but it is hoped eventually to obtain many species on a basis of exchange with plantsmen in South Africa who desire material from this country. *Gladiolus psittacinus* (No. 57797) has been forwarded by E. Percy Phillips, of Pretoria, and will be propagated for distribution as rapidly as possible. With his customary generosity, G. H. Cave, of Darjiling, has sent a number of ornamental plants of the Himalayan region, which are described under Nos. 57882 to 57890.

The botanical determinations of seeds introduced have been made and the nomenclature determined by H. C. Skeels, and the descriptive notes have been prepared by Paul Russell, who has had general supervision of this inventory.

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