

**3648. EUCALYPTUS.**

From Naples, Italy. Donated by Mr. Strickland, Villa Sans Souci, near Naples, through Mr. W. T. Swingle (No. 110), July, 1899.

This species bears large flowers and may prove of some value as an ornamental. Distributed.

**3649. FICUS CARICA.****Caprifig.**

From Old Biskra, Sahara, Algeria. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

**3650. HALLERIA LUCIDA.**

From Catania, Italy. Received through W. T. Swingle (No. 112), July, 1899. From the Botanic Garden.

A small South African tree with smooth, shiny leaves, and scarlet flowers. It belongs to the family *Scrophulariaceae*.

**3651. MEDICAGO.****Medic.**

From Athens, Greece. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

Yellow-flowered medic growing on the very dry Parthenon hill at Athens.

**3652. CORYLUS AVELLANA.****Filbert.**

From Corfu. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

A sample of the filberts bought in the market of Corfu.

**3653. CORYLUS AVELLANA.****Filbert.**

From Catania, Italy. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

A sample of the filberts produced about Catania, Italy.

**3654. PISTACIA VERA.****Pistache.**

From Palermo, Sicily. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

Samples of pistaches produced at Palermo, Sicily. (See No. 3135, Inventory No. 7.)

**3655.**

From Algeria. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899. Procured at market at Sidi Okaba, near Biskra.

*Ganta*. The root dried and used for flavoring, something like pepper. The botanical name of this plant could not be learned.

**3656. LAWSONIA ALBA.****Henna.**

From Tunis. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle (No. 118), July, 1899.

"A powder is made from the leaves. This powder, rubbed up with milk of lime, is used by the Mohammedans for staining the finger nails. The palms of the hands are said to be dyed by simply rubbing the leaves over them. This practice is very old among Eastern people, and it is said to have been practiced by the ancient Egyptians. The plant is cultivated all through the East, and has a sweet-scented flower. It is sometimes employed as a hedge plant." (*Swingle*.)

**3657. PHENIX DACTYLIFERA.****Date.**

From Patras, Greece. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle, July, 1899.

A large date sold in the markets of Patras. Distributed.

**3658. LENS ESCULENTA.****Lentil.**

From Smyrna. Received through Mr. W. T. Swingle (No. 128), July, 1899.

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