

66956 to 66969—Continued.

66969. *STYRAX OFFICINALIS* L. *Styracaceae*.

Snowbell.

A handsome shrub or low tree, 20 feet high, with hairy broadly oval leaves and numerous white flowers about three-fourths of an inch long, in small clusters. Native to Europe and Asia Minor.

66970 to 66974. *FRAGARIA* spp. *Rosaceae*.
Strawberry.

From Vineland Station, Ontario, Canada. Plants presented by E. F. Palmer, Director, Horticultural Experiment Station. Received May 5, 1926.

66970. *FRAGARIA* sp.

Pocomoke. The medium to large berries are round-conic and bright crimson; the medium red, firm flesh is a brisk subacid of good quality. This variety produces numerous runners and closely resembles *Parsons*. Season medium late. (*Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Bul. 11.*)

66971. *FRAGARIA* sp.

Valonia. A cross between *Dunlap* and *Early Ozark*. It is a vigorous grower, with perfect flowers, and is productive. In season it is two or three days earlier than *Dunlap*. The fruits are of medium size, bright red, moderately firm, and fair to good in quality. (*The Canadian Horticulturist, vol. 47, No. 4.*)

For previous introduction see No. 63663.

66972. *FRAGARIA* sp.

Vanquard. A cross between *Pocomoke* and *Early Ozark*. The plants are vigorous, healthy, and productive, with perfect flowers. The ripening season is about a week before *Dunlap*. The fruits are of medium size, round-conic, regular in shape, bright red, firm and of good quality, being sweeter than most early varieties. (*The Canadian Horticulturist, vol. 47, No. 4.*)

For previous introduction see No. 63664.

66973. *FRAGARIA* sp.

Vantage. A cross between *Williams* and *Early Ozark*. This is described (Report of the Vineland Station to the Ontario Department of Agriculture for 1919) as a vigorous grower, with early maturing, bright-pink fruits which retain their color in storage. In quality this variety is fair.

For previous introduction see No. 63665.

66974. *FRAGARIA* sp.

Williams. A cross between *Crescent* and *Sharpless*. Berries large, round-conic to wedge-conic, dark crimson, often with white tip; flesh dark red, firm subacid and of good quality; runners numerous. Midseason variety. This has been a popular commercial variety in Canada, especially in southern Ontario, and it is still valued. (*Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Bul. 11.*)

66975 and 66976. *CHAYOTA EDULIS* Jacq. *Cucurbitaceae*.
Chayote.

From San Juan, Porto Rico. Fruits presented by O. W. Barrett, agricultural director, Department of Agriculture and Labor. Received May 4, 1926.

66975. A green variety.

66976. A white variety.

66977. *TRICHOSANTHES BRACTEATA* (Lam.) Voigt. *Cucurbitaceae*.

From Solan Brewery, Simla, Punjab, India. Seeds presented by H. E. J. Peake, Khaltoo Orchards. Received April 30, 1926.

A stout annual ornamental vine climbing to 30 feet, with broadly oval leaves, scabrous above and deeply lobed; globose fruits, red streaked with orange. Native to India.

66978 to 66982.

From Capetown, South Africa. Bulbs purchased from W. S. Duke & Co. Received April 10, 1926.

A collection of South African bulbous plants.

66978. *AMARYLLIS BELLADONNA* L. *Amaryllidaceae*.
Belladonna lily.66979. *AMARYLLIS BRUNSVIGIA* Hort. *Amaryllidaceae*.66980. *HAEMANTHUS COCCINEUS* L. *Amaryllidaceae*.
Scarlet blood lily.

A low bulbous plant, native to South Africa, with the bulb compressed sidewise; there are two suberect strap-shaped leaves and red flowers on a scape 6 to 10 inches tall.

66981. *NERINE SARNIENSIS* (L.) Herbert. *Amaryllidaceae*.
Guernsey lily.

A South African bulbous plant with bright-green linear leaves about a foot long, developed after the bright-crimson flowers; the latter are in umbels of about 12.

66982. *WATSONIA IRIDIFOLIA* (Jacq.) Ker. *Iridaceae*.
White bugle lily.

Variety *Ardernii*. A South African plant closely resembling the gladiolus, with sword-shaped leaves and regular pure-white flowers in spikes on a scape 3 to 4 feet high.

66983 to 66994. *ORYZA SATIVA* L. *Poaceae*.
Rice.

From Dacca, India. Seeds presented by the economic botanist to the Government of Bengal. Received May 3, 1926.

Indian rice varieties.

66983 to 66990. Selections of *Dacca*.

66983. No. 1.

66984. No. 2.

66985. No. 4.

66986. No. 5.

66987. No. 6.

66988. No. 9.

66989. No. 7.

66990. No. 15.

66991. No. 297. *Methiamon*. A deep-water variety.66992. No. 507. *Chingatr*. A deep-water variety.66993. *Larkoch*.66994. *Marich Bati*.