

72695 to 72709—Continued.

72704. No. 969. Georgetown, McCarthy Island, Gambia, West Africa. January 10, 1927. A sorghum with very dark seeds which is known as *Bassej ba kinto*. It is grown on clay soils and is very drought resistant.

72705. No. 970. Georgetown, McCarthy Island, Gambia, West Africa. January 10, 1927. A white-seeded sorghum known as *Bassej kayo*.

72706. *PANICUM* sp. Poaceae. Grass.

No. 954. Near Sankuli Kunda, Gambia, West Africa. January 9, 1927. A tall species growing on dried rice fields, forming a perfect stand. The clay soil in these fields has cracked open, showing its character.

72707. *RAPHIA* sp. Phoenicaceae. Palm.

No. 1108. Collected near the waterworks at Abuko, near Cape St. May, Gambia, West Africa. January 10, 1927. A stunning West African wine palm which grows on the banks of the Gambia River, forming immense clumps.

72708. *SESAMUM RADIATUM* Schum. Pedaliaceae.

No. 1105. Between Konakry and Fore Carial, French Guinea, West Africa. January 16, 1927. An erect-growing, oil-producing species.

72709. *SPONDIAS MOMBIN* L. Anacardiaceae. Yellow mombin.

No. 966. Georgetown, McCarthy Island, Gambia, West Africa. January 10, 1927. A variety known as the "mombin plum," which is subjected to seven months' drought in this region.

For previous introduction see No. 54533.

72710 to 72718.

From Buitenzorg, Java. Seeds presented by Dr. W. M. Docters van Leeuwen, director, botanic garden. Received February 11, 1927.

72710. *ALBIZZIA LUCIDA* (Roxb.) Benth. Mimosaceae.

A handsome spreading leguminous tree with attractive feathery leaves; native to the East Indies.

For previous introduction see No. 69144.

72711. *ARTOCARPUS ELASTICA* Reinw. Moraceae.

A tall East Indian tree up to 40 meters in height. The young trees furnish a fiber, and the latex is a remarkable birdlime. (Note by David Fairchild under No. 67873.)

72712. *ARTOCARPUS RIGIDA* Blume. Moraceae.

A medium-sized tropical Asiatic tree, with small oval leaves and ovoid edible yellow fruits about 5 inches in diameter.

72713. *CURCULIGO LATIFOLIA* Ait. Amaryllidaceae.

An ornamental tropical stemless plant with large palmlike leaves and yellow flowers. Native to Java.

72714. *DAMMARA ALBA* Rumph. (*Agathis loranthifolia* Salisb.). Pinaceae. White dammar pine.

A large tropical coniferous tree, native to the Malay Peninsula, which yields the dammar gum of commerce.

72715. *ELAIS GUINEENSIS* Jacq. Phoenicaceae. African oil palm.

Java-grown seeds of the African oil palm.

For previous introduction see No. 54040.

72710 to 72718—Continued.

72716. *FICUS PARIETALIS* Blume. Moraceae.

A handsome tropical tree with shining green leaves and golden-yellow fruits. Native to Java.

For previous introduction see No. 67702.

72717. *PITHECOLOBIUM JUNGHUANIUM* Benth. Mimosaceae.

A tropical ornamental leguminous tree, up to 20 meters high. Native to the mountainous regions of Java.

72718. *VIGNA LUTEA* (Swartz) A. Gray (*V. retusa* Walp.). Fabaceae.

A tropical climbing vine or perennial creeper, native to the Philippines, where it has been found useful as a cover crop. It has also made good green forage for cattle.

For previous introduction see No. 60253.

72719. *MEDICAGO SATIVA* L. Fabaceae. Alfalfa.

From Russia. Seeds obtained through J. W. Pineus, Amtorg Trading Corporation, New York, N. Y. Received March 5, 1927.

A Turkestan variety.

72720 to 72724. *CAJANUS INDICUS* Spreng. Fabaceae. Pigeon pea.

From Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, Africa. Seeds presented by H. G. Mundy, chief agriculturist, Department of Agriculture. Received March 5, 1927.

Locally grown seeds.

72720. *Early Maturing Dwarf.*

72721. No. 1. 72723. No. 3.

72722. No. 2. 72724. No. 4.

72725 to 72729. *PRUNUS SERRULATA* Lindl. Amygdalaceae.

Oriental cherry.

From Narberth, Pa. Plants presented by A. E. Wohlert, Garden Nurseries. Received March 16, 1927. Notes from 1927 Catalogue of the Garden Nurseries.

72725. *Jeanne Wohlert.* A decidedly dwarf variety, less than 6 feet high, with semidouble, fragrant, light-pink flowers.

72726. *Paul Wohlert.* A rather dwarf variety, with deep-pink semidouble flowers which appear very early, just after those of *Prunus subhirtella pendula*.

72727. *Rosea.* A spreading tree, with globular double flowers, deep pink becoming rose colored with age, in pendulous clusters of three to five.

72728. *Rosea Holland.* Very similar to *Rosea* [No. 72727] except that the tree assumes a vase-like habit with age.

72729. *Ruth Wohlert.* A variety with double light-pink flowers.

72730. *ZINZIBER OFFICINALE* Roscoe. Zinziberaceae. Ginger.

From Bathurst, Gambia, West Africa. Roots collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received February 11, 1927.

No. 957. Obtained in the market at Bathurst. January 4, 1927. This variety was probably grown in the Gambia region or somewhere on the west coast of Africa.