

boys, but is sweet and insipid. Being a forest tree, the seed should be sown in nurseries and young plants should be planted in a definite place under cover of some shady shrub while young. They must not be directly in open ground." (Regnard.)

*Paeonia suffruticosa* Andrews. (Ranunculaceae.) 41710. Seeds of tree peony from Taochow Old City, Kansu, China. Presented by Rev. C. F. Snyder at the request of Mr. F. N. Meyer. "The real wild moutan peony which occurs in very inaccessible mountain valleys in Tibet proper, where white men are not allowed to proceed to under ordinary circumstances. Ripens its seeds in the Chinese 8th moon (about September 15th to October 20th)." (Meyer.)

*Panicum distachyon* L. (Poaceae.) 41746. Seeds from the Australian Exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, California. Procured by Mr. Roland McKee. "Excellent pasture and hay grass; 2½ feet, leafy, fine seed habits for a Panicum." (McKee.) "The stems of this grass creep and root at the joints; it is an immense yielder, and is grown for hay in the northern districts. This is one of several indigenous grasses tested at Gracemere, near Rockhampton, and considered best for the purpose of hay-making." (Bailey, in Maiden, Useful Native Plants of Australia.)

*Prunus serrulata* Lindley. (Amygdalaceae.) 41817-41870. Cuttings of 54 varieties of flowering cherry from Japan. Presented by the Yokohama Nursery Company, Yokohama, Japan, through Mr. George W. Guthrie, American Ambassador, Tokyo. For a full discussion of the numerous varieties of the flowering cherry, see Miyoshi, in the Journal of the College of Science, Imperial University of Tokio, vol. 34, art. 1, pp. 1-264 where the flowering cherry hitherto known as *P. pseudocerasus* is treated under the name *P. serrulata* Lindl. Attempt has been made to bring the varietal names into accord with this work. Mr. E. H. Wilson has also recently published a study of the Japanese cherries.

*Pollinia fulva* (R.Br.) Benth. (Poaceae.) 41754. Seed from the Australian Exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Calif. Procured by Mr. Roland McKee. "Brown top. Considered by stock owners to equal the Mitchell grass as a drought resister, and on account of its sweetness is often called sugar grass. 3 feet, leafy, fine stem, good seed habit." (McKee.)

*Randia aculeata* L. (Rubiaceae.) 41810. Seeds of the ink berry received from San José, Costa Rica. Presented by Dr. Carlos Wercklé, Department of Agriculture. "A beautiful, very small-leaved shrub, very fine hedge plant for cold highlands." (Wercklé.) "A shrub or small tree, widely