



PLANT OF GARBANZO (*Cicer arietinum*) GROWN AT SPOKANE, WASH., S. P. I. No. 26898.

Experiments with the garbanzo or chick-pea, which is ranked next to the wheat plant in importance by many Spanish farmers, have been made in various parts of the United States. In parts of California garbanzos have been successful, but their culture as far north as Spokane has not heretofore been reported. This plant was grown by Otto Hubenthal, proprietor of the Spokane Nursery, from seed of a Mexican type secured from a commercial house in New York. Altogether too little attention has been paid by Americans to the good qualities of this nutritious legume, which is deserving of a thorough investigation, particularly as a garden vegetable. Its pods contain each a single seed and these, either fresh, dried, parched, or ground into flour, are palatable and nutritious. Although the plants grow and bear sparingly in the moister regions of the United States, they are especially adapted to cultivation in the dry, hot regions, where they fruit abundantly. Photograph (P15661FS) made at the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction, March 8, 1915.