

in great abundance large pendant clusters of dark-purple fruits, which are the size of small plums; these are produced all the year around, but chiefly in June. The kernel of the fruit is edible, being similar in flavour to sweet almonds; it yields by expression an oil used for burning in lamps and for cooking purposes. A desirable tree for planting in avenues, etc. It thrives in hot and moist districts up to about 1500 feet elevation, and prefers deep, well-drained soil. Propagated by seed, which may be sown in nursery beds and kept moist and shaded until germinated." (H. F. Macmillan, Handbook of Tropical Gardening and Planting, p. 146.) Dr. Valetton of Buitenzorg discovered that a very palatable milk could be made from the kernels of this *Canarium* nut which formed an excellent substitute for mother's milk and that babies could be raised on it successfully.

*Clerodendrum cyrtophyllum* Turcz. (Verbenaceae.) 43021. Seeds from Mokanshan, Chekiang, China. Collected by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer of this Department. "A spreading shrub, from 2 to 5 feet high, sending up many stalks; found on debris on mountain slopes at 1200 to 2000 feet altitude. Leaves glabrous, opposite, light-green; of somewhat fetid odor. Flowers small, white but with large bracts of rosy color, berries blue. Ornamental but somewhat weedy. Of use for large parks and estates in mild climates as a cover shrub for sandy and waste places." (Meyer.)

*Iris* sp. (Iridaceae.) 43022. Seed from Mokanshan, Chekiang, China. Collected by Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer for this Department. "An *Iris*, forming big clumps, found in a garden but said to occur wild in mountain ravines. Flowers reputed to be purplish." (Meyer.)

*Juglans insularis* Grisebach. (Juglandaceae.) 43032. Seeds from Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba. Presented by Mr. Juan T. Roig, Agricultural Experiment Station. "Cuban native walnut, collected at Trinidad Station, Clara Province." (Roig.) "This interesting Cuban tree has recently been called to the attention of horticulturists by Van Hermann and Roig. It is found in the mountainous sections of the island, sometimes at considerable elevations. I have seen it in the mountains near Trinidad, on the south coast, at an elevation of about 2000 feet, growing among numerous other trees