

MEXICO, Guadalajara. Luis Rosas, March 27. Will send arrayanes (*Myrtus Ehrenbergii*) in May. Will send Guayabo agrico (*Myrtus* sp.) sour guava, in July.

PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA. O. W. Barrett, Feb. 17. Promises to send a collection of native grass seeds. Has never seen wild grass that could compete in quantity or quality with that of the alluvial plain there. Feb. 27. Is sending *Ficus* sp., the famous east African bark cloth tree, a medium sized tree of the open bush from Zululand to Somaliland. Prefers sandy soil. Almost evergreen, except in long droughts. Thick bark used, when beaten out, for bags, clothing, etc.: appears to wear well. Tree roots well from cuttings. Fruit worthless.

SOUTH AFRICA, Cape Town. Chas. Lounsbury, March 10. Will try to get seeds of various kinds of wild olives. Will send cuttings of *Olea verrucosa*.

SPAIN, Madrid. Maddin Summers, March 23. Is sending sample of reed matting lath; also samples of two varieties of oats. Suggests importation of Spanish winter muskmelon.

TRANSVAAL, Pretoria. J. Burt Davy. Feb. 19. Will send roots and seeds of Transvaal Kweek grass (*Cynodon incompletus*.) This he says makes excellent lawn, but turns brown in cold, dry weather.

RECENT VISITORS.

CHINA. Mr. Yung Kwei, Secretary of the Chinese Embassy, has presented to this office an album of photographic views of the Mukden Agricultural Experiment Station. It can be seen here by any one interested.