

Acacia giraffae (Mimosaceae), 46805. From Johannesburg, South Africa. Seed presented by Mr. J. Burt-Davy, Agricultural Supply Association. "**Kameel-doorn**. A valuable timber tree for arid regions in the warm temperate zone. One of the few native trees in British Bechuanaland. The ripe pods are greedily eaten by stock. It thrives in sandy soil, attains a large size, and furnishes valuable shade. The wood is dark red-brown in color, and is used by the Bechuanas for spoons, knife-handles, etc. At one time this tree furnished all the fuel for Kimberly, Vryburg and Mafeking." (Burt-Davy.)

Actinidia chinensis (Dilleniaceae), 46864. **Yang tao**. Plants grown from cuttings of S. P. I. No. 21781 sent to the Plant Introduction Field Station, Chico, California, by Mr. Wm. Hertrich, San Gabriel, California, and grafted on seedlings of S. P. I. No. 21781. The plant sent Mr. Hertrich under the former number proved to be a perfect-flowered form and one that bore fruits of good size and quality. "The **yang tao**, a deciduous climber native to Szechwan province, has attracted considerable attention because of the high quality of its fruits and the ornamental value of the plant. The leaves have a plush-like texture and an unusual dark green color, while their large size and regular spacing add to the beauty of the vine. The flowers are buff-yellow to white, fragrant, often $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches across, and are produced in great abundance. The fruits are ovoid to globose and about 2 inches long. The outside is russet-brown and is clothed with villous hairs. The flesh is green, of most excellent flavor, resembling that of a gooseberry but tempered with a flavor peculiarly its own. The fruit is good when eaten fresh and also makes very fine jam and sauce. When we consider that there are several species which are hardy in Massachusetts, that one of them, *A. arguta*, bears when mature large numbers of very sweet fruits, it would seem as though this genus should be peculiarly attractive to the plant breeder." (Fairchild.)

Angophora subvelutina (Myrtaceae), 46873. From Australia. Presented by Mr. B. Harrison, Burringbar, New South Wales. "Called here 'apple-tree'. A large, spreading tree with strong and durable timber which is used for wheelwright work and floor boards. The foliage is used to feed stock in dry seasons." (Harrison.)