

*Diospyros kaki* (Diospyraceae), 54681. **Kaki**. From Canton, Kwangtung, China. Seeds presented by Mr. C. O. Levine, acting director of Agriculture, Canton Christian College, through Mr. F. A. McClure. "'Kai Sam T'sz' (Chicken-heart persimmon). Practically all of the kakis, or Japanese persimmons, hitherto grown in the United States have come from Japan and the central and northern parts of China. The southernmost forms of this species have never received much attention in this country though they are of importance as being likely to extend the area in which this fruit can successfully be grown. The Japanese varieties do not flourish in the climate of southern Florida, nor are they fully successful in Cuba and other tropical regions.

"In the vicinity of Canton, China, many kakis are grown, and it seems likely that some of these may be varieties which are better adapted to withstand tropical conditions than are those from the more northern parts of that country or from Japan. Canton, it should be remembered, lies almost exactly upon the northern tropic and is warm enough to permit the cultivation of the lychee, a fruit tree distinctly tropical in its requirements." (Wilson Popenoe.)

*Dolichos lablab* (Fabaceae), 54791. **Bonavist bean**. From Luxey, Landes, France. Seeds presented by Mr. L. Rouest, agronomist, Experimental Farm. "A *Dolichos* with violet flowers and black seeds, which is interesting for its resistance to drought; it produces excellent ensilage. This plant, of Egyptian origin, is of the second generation cultivated in France." (Rouest.)

*Eugenia dombeyi* (Myrtaceae), 54777. **Grumichama**. From Port Louis, Mauritius. Seeds presented by Mr. G. Regnard. "Both as a handsome ornamental tree, and for its pleasantly flavored, cherrylike fruits, the **grumichama** deserves to be planted in gardens and dooryards throughout the Tropics. It has not yet become well known outside its native country, Brazil, though it is cultivated in numerous Hawaiian gardens, and even in as remote a part of the world as Mauritius, as attested by these seeds which Mr. Regnard has sent us.

"Plants which were brought in by Messrs. Dorsett, Shamel, and myself from Brazil in 1914 have behaved in a most interesting manner at Miami, Fla. Not only have they withstood several rather severe winter frosts, but they have commenced to flower while still quite