

ACACIA SCORPIOIDES (Mimosaceae), 58379. From Giza, Egypt. Seeds presented by the Director, Horticultural Section, Ministry of Agriculture. A large proportion of the gum arabic of commerce is furnished by this tree, which is native to the tropical regions of northern Africa and southwestern Asia. True gum arabic, however, is said to come only from another species, *Acacia senegal*. The pods and bark of *A. scorpioides* are used for tanning, and the leaves and young pods are sometimes fed to cattle. The wood is hard and durable, and is used in India for making tools. (Adapted from Holland, Useful Plants of Nigeria, pt. II, p. 288.)

AGATI TOMENTOSA (Fabaceae), 58377. From Honolulu, Hawaii. Seeds presented by C. S. Judd, Superintendent of Forestry, Board of Commissioners of Agriculture and Forestry. "This plant is now almost extinct in this part of the Hawaiian Islands because the foliage is such an attractive forage for cattle and goats. The brilliant-red flowers make the plants very ornamental. From the twigs the frigate birds make their nests." (Judd.)

CORNUS BRETSCHNEIDERI (Cornaceae), 58144. **Dogwood**. From Kew, England. Seeds presented by Dr. A. W. Hill, director, Royal Botanic Gardens. "A hardy shrub, up to 12 feet in height, with green or purplish branches, oval, hairy leaves, and dense clusters of bluish black berries. Native to northern China." (Alfred Rehder.)

COTONEASTER HARROVIANA (Malaceae), 58134. From Glasnevin, Dublin, Ireland. Seeds presented by the Director, Royal Botanic Gardens. An evergreen shrub with a loose, spreading habit, about 6 feet in height, with shining, dark-green, bristle-tipped leaves, dense corymbs of white flowers, and red fruits. Native to Yunnan, China, and therefore suitable only for the mild-wintered regions of the United States.

COTONEASTER spp. (Malaceae), 58147, 58149, 58150. From Kew, England. Seeds presented by Dr. A. W. Hill, director, Royal Botanic Gardens.

58147. **COTONEASTER HEBEPHYLLA**. A very ornamental deciduous shrub 10 to 18 feet in height. It has long, rambling branches, white flowers and dark-carmine fruits. It is native to the high altitudes of Yunnan, China, where the temperature goes only slightly below freezing.

58149. **COTONEASTER LINDLEYI**. A large shrub or small tree, with semideciduous dark-green leaves, corymbs of white flowers, and bluish black fruits. Native to the mild-wintered regions of the northwestern Himalayas.

58150. **COTONEASTER MELANOCARPA LAXIFLORA**. A spreading shrub which becomes about 12 feet high, with oval, dark-green leaves, grayish white