

Four varieties of mango as follows: Badsha, Fernandez, Gudbeli and P'ote (?). For distribution later.

MELINIS MINUTIFLORA. (Poaceae.) 28767-768. From Sao Paulo, Brazil. Purchased from Mr. H. M. Lane, Mackenzie College. "One of the best forage grasses of this section. It grows well on poor ground and will stand long periods of drought. It also makes good hay." (Lane.) For distribution later.

PARSONIA PADDISONII. (Apocynaceae.) 28766. From Sydney, New South Wales. Presented by the Curator, Department of Public Instruction. "A glabrous wood climber. The stem is about one inch in diameter, a foot or so above the ground, the bark being quite corky in nature. Stock are very fond of the leaves, so that this should be ranked as a fodder plant. My attention was first drawn to it by Mr. A. Paddison of New Angledool, who sent for identification, a large tuber or 'yam' weighing about ten pounds, stating that similar yams were eaten by both settlers and aborigines. The interior is composed of a whitish substance, the chemical analysis of which shows only $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent of carbonaceous principles. It tastes very much like a turnip, both in the raw and cooked condition. The color and consistency of the largest specimens resemble those of the common mangel-wurzel." (R. T. Baker.) "A vine generally found growing at the foot of, and twisting itself around some small tree, and that tree in nine cases out of ten a 'wilga' (*Geijera parviflora*). The top 'yam' of the plant we dug was 4 inches from the surface, and the deepest that we could find was 21 inches from the surface. We dug up all that we could find, carried them home and weighed each one separately, 29 yams in all. The total weight was $101\frac{1}{4}$ lbs., the largest one weighing $12\frac{1}{4}$ lbs." (A. Paddison.) For distribution later.

PHASEOLUS MAX. (Fabaceae.) 28765. Woolly Pyrol from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad. Presented by the Assistant Secretary of the Board of Agriculture, at the request of Mr. R. B. Dickson. For distribution later.

PRUNUS ARMENIACA. (Amygdalaceae.) 28745. From Harput, Turkey. Presented by Mr. Wm. W. Masterson, American Consul. "An unusually fine tasting fruit that might be called a 'plumcot'. It was about the size of a green-gage plum, of a light yellow color and had a decided apricot flavor, indicating that it was a hybrid between the plum and apricot." (Masterson.) For distribution later.

SALIX HUMBOLDTIANA. (Salicaceae.) 28709. From Limavida, Chile. Presented by Mr. J. D. Husbands. "A Chilean willow that grows