

- SOLANUM MAGLIA. (Solanaceae.) 28731-732. Mutations from wild potato tubers raised by Dr. Edward Heckel, Director, Botanic Garden, Marseilles, France. Fourth generation. For distribution later.
- SOLANUM TUBEROSUM. (Solanaceae.) 28780. Tubers from Paraguay. Presented by Mr. C. F. Mead of Piropo. "It will stand frost equal to tomato vines. The tubers above ground are very similar to potatoes, but the color is dark, from yellow to red. There are also white tubers below the ground, the same as regular potatoes, but very small. It may be possible by selection and crossing to induce plants to bear marketable potatoes, both below and above ground. It is not as heavy a cropper as the regular potato and the necessity for a trellis makes its economic value doubtful." (Mead.) For distribution later.
- TRIFOLIUM AGRARIUM. (Fabaceae.) 28791. T. CLYPEATUM, No. 28792. T. SCUTATUM, No. 28793. Seeds of native clovers from Beirut, Turkey. Presented by Mr. Alfred E. Day. For distribution later.
- UNIDENTIFIED. (Silenaceae.) 28264. Roots from mountains near Bachar-den, Turkestan. A very ornamental, low-growing perennial plant belonging to the Silenaceae, bearing a mass of dark, rosy-red flowers in early June. Growing between rocks and boulders on sunburned mountain sides. (Meyer's introduction.) For distribution later.

NOTES FROM FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

DOMINICA. Mr. Joseph Jones, Curator, Botanic Station, Sept. 17. Is sending root of the waw-waw (*Rajania pleioneura*), a native of Dominica. It occurs wild in the forests and does best in deep shade. It is not cultivated, probably because an abundance can be obtained by digging in the forest. It is considered by many to be superior to the yams produced by the *Dioscoreas*.

ITALY, Naples. Mr. R. S. Woglum, Sept. 10. Reports that the algaroba grown at Malaga is monoecious, while the Valencia variety is dioecious. Very little algaroba is grown at Malaga, but considerable north of there, between that place and Bobadilla. At Valencia the largest plantations in Spain are to be found. It is grown in the same fields with olives. Seems to be more drought resistant than olives. The pods are dried before using. There is an insect pest that should be carefully avoided in introducing the plant. At Malaga seedling trees are mostly grown. Algaroba trees are said to live as long as 200 years.