

- ONONIS ANTIQUORUM.** (Fabaceae.) 29334. Seed from Palestine. Presented by Mr. E. F. Beaumont, American Colony, Jerusalem. "Seed of a wild, perennial plant of the pea family, which grows absolutely everywhere, on poor, rocky soil as well as good ground and which is the deepest rooting plant, next to alfalfa that grows in the country; it is quite equal to alfalfa in rooting quality. It has a thorn from one to two centimeters long. This plant is greedily eaten by all cattle, when young and the thorn is tender, but when full grown they cannot manage the thorn. We have thought that if this thorn could be bred off, it would make a splendid forage plant, as it grows so well on rocky ground on which nothing else will thrive." (Beaumont.) For distribution later.
- PERSEA AMERICANA.** (Lauraceae.) 29352. Budwood of avocado from Miami, Florida. Presented by Mr. C. O. Richardson, Miami. "A first-class, medium-late variety especially suited for the home garden. The tree is reported by Mr. Richardson as being a dwarf grower, producing crops freely and regularly. The fruits are pyriform in shape, averaging in weight between 750 and 800 grams; the seed is generally a little loose, though sometimes firm, in its cavity, and of medium size. The meat is of rich deep yellow color, greenish next to the skin and of mild, rich and nutty flavor. The skin is smooth, yellowish-green with purplish red splashes and numerous small dots of bronze; it is thick, tenacious and slightly adhesive to the meat." (H. F. Schultz.) For distribution later.
- PODOPHYLLUM EMODI.** (Berberidaceae.) 29328. Seed of the Asiatic mandrake from Royal Botanical Gardens, Sibpur, near Calcutta, India. Presented by Major A. T. Gage, Superintendent. "Fruit edible as in American species (*P. peltatum*). Probably like this can be used as a purgative and hepatic stimulant." (Mueller.) Introduced as a possible means of improving the quality of the American mandrake. For distribution later.
- TALAUMA MUTABILIS.** (Magnoliaceae.) 29358. Seeds from the Botanic Gardens, Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by the Director, Department of Agriculture. "A magnificent yellow-flowered magnolia-like tree, well worthy of introduction, and of possible value for breeding work with the magnolias." (Fairchild.) For distribution later.
- VITIS VINIFERA.** (Vitaceae.) 29343-347. Cuttings of five varieties of table grapes from London, England. Presented by Rev. W. Wilks, Secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society. No. 29343. Ascot Citronelle. No. 29344. Cannon Hill Muscat. No. 29345. Lady Hastings. No. 29346. Muscat Champion. No. 29347. Prince of Wales. For distribution later.