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NEW PLANT IMMIGRANTS.



(NOTE: Applications for material listed in this bulletin may be made at any time to this Office. As they are received they are filed and when the material is ready for distribution it is distributed to those on the list of applicants who can show that they are prepared to care for it, as well as to others selected because of their special fitness to experiment with the particular plants imported.)

ALOCASIA SPP. (Araceae.) 29519-520. Tubers of Alocasia from Paramaribo, Surinam. Presented by Mr. P. J. S. Cramer, Director of Agriculture. No. 29519. "Egg. Corms and tubers nonacid. Flesh yellow with whitish layer next to the skin. When cooked the yellow flesh resembles the yolk of a hard-boiled egg and has also a slightly similar taste. Flavor fair." (R. A. Young.) No. 29520. "Abo. Corms and tubers nonacid; flesh yellow. This variety is too coarse in texture and flavor for table use. It can be used for stock food." (R. A. Young.) For distribution later.

ANDROPOGON CITRATUS. (Poaceae.) 29535. Plants of lemon grass from Heneratgoda, Ceylon. Presented by Messrs. J. P. William & Bros. Imported, together with the following introduction, for the work of the Office of Drug Plant Investigations in cultivating these oil-grasses. For distribution later.

ANDROPOGON NARDUS. (Poaceae.) 29536. Plants of citronella grass from Heneratgoda, Ceylon. Presented by Messrs. J. P. William & Bros. For distribution later.

ATALANTIA GLAUCA. (Rutaceae.) 29537. Seeds of the desert kumquat from Wellington Point, near Brisbane, Queensland. Presented by Mr. James Pink. "This is one of the most interesting of all citrus fruits and one which, curiously enough, has never yet received adequate attention from botanists or horticulturists. It was first mentioned by Leichardt, the German explorer, to whom we owe much of our knowledge concerning the interior of the deserts of northeastern Australia. It is a shrub or small tree from 12 to 15 feet high, with a trunk 2 to 6 inches in diameter. It has small but thick, leathery leaves of gray-green color and one is struck by the scantiness of the foliage. The flowers are small and the fruits about a half inch in diameter. An agreeable beverage is made from the acid juice and a fair