

species, was introduced for testing its possible value as a stock for the mango. For distribution later.

VITIS VINIFERA. (Vitaceae.) 30467-468. Cuttings of grapes from Tiflis, Transcaucasia, Russia. Presented by Mr. S. Rolloff, Director, Tiflis Botanical Garden. 30467. Tavris. 30468. Ksil-isjum. "The fruits of these table sorts bear transportation very well." (Rolloff.) For distribution later.

XANTHOSOMA SP. (Araceae.) 30270. Tubers of yautia from Port of Spain, Trinidad. Procured from Mr. H. Caracciolo, St. Joseph Nurseries. Called "tannia" by Mr. Caracciolo. "The tubers are large, sometimes weighing one pound, usually club-shaped, have purplish red sprouts and are of good quality. The flesh when baked is much like that of a very white and mealy potato." (R. A. Young.) For distribution later.

ZIZIPHUS SP. (Rhamnaceae.) 30488. Cuttings of Chinese date from Chingchowfu, China. Presented by Rev. W. M. Hayes, Gotch-Robinson Union Theological College. "Cuttings of the largest variety of Chinese dates that I could hear of. The Chinese claim that they are not easy to graft successfully, so they will have to be given the best possible chance." (Hayes.) For distribution later.

ZIZIPHUS SP. (Rhamnaceae.) 30621. Seeds from Palestine. Presented by Mr. A. Aaronsohn, Director, Jewish Agricultural Experiment Station, Haifa. "Anaab, in Arabic. These seeds came from trees growing in the gardens in the vicinity of Naplus(Sichem) on dry, rocky and calcareous hills." (Aaronsohn.) For distribution later.

UNIDENTIFIED. (Ziniberaceae.) 30483. Roots of white ginger from Wei Hsien, China. Presented by Mr. A. H. Mateer. "This is planted in ground which has been spaded to the depth of nearly a foot, but is firm and solid underneath. This is to keep it from sending out rootlets deep down, and to lead the strength of the plant to producing tubers, like the effect of a pot-bound plant, of making it do something beside make rootlets. In our region (latitude of Kentucky) it is planted in trenches, dug as described, in April, in black and sandy soil (that is what the man said, though it seems to me like a contradiction), and the ground is not enriched. It is dug in autumn. The price now (March 4) is about five cents a pound, but two months ago it was less than three cents, and in a month or two it will be twice as much." (Mateer.) For distribution later.