



SESAMUM ORIENTALE. SESAME.

Photograph of bundles of sesame stacked with heads up to ripen in the sun. "Sesame, also known as bene, is the source of an oil which is much in use in the United States for a variety of purposes. The oil is mild, bland and edible. It is now grown largely in China and other parts of the Orient, as well as in Mexico. The seeds are used in making a very attractive confection, being used like peanut in making a 'brittle'. The present demand for sesame in the United States is fairly good and since the plant is very well adapted to semi-arid conditions, there seems to be opportunity of developing sesame culture. The price of the seed, however, is rather low." (R. H. True.) Photograph by Mr. Marion Letcher, American consul, Chihuahua, Mexico.