

Canton Christian College, Canton, China. "Wong nga paak. An excellent Chinese cabbage with very long head, and when blanched, of excellent flavor." (Groff.) For distribution later.

CAPSICUM SP. (Solanaceae.) 31297. Seeds of a pepper from Paraguay. Presented by Mr. C. F. Mead, Villa Encarnacion. "Called in Guarany, 'Kucii'. A very small and very strong pepper, a good rival if not stronger than the Tabasco pepper. Found growing wild in the forests of Paraguay. The seeds were procured for me by Indians near the yerbales of Alta Parana." (Mead.) For distribution later.

CASIMIROA EDULIS. (Rutaceae.) 31470. Seeds of the Matasano or white sapote from Honduras. Presented by Dr. R. Fritzgartner, Tegucigalpa. "The tree is handsome, having large, palmate leaves, glossy green on the upper surface, and with age forms a dense dome-shaped head of foliage. As an ornamental alone it is of value, and possesses good possibilities as a street and avenue tree. The fruits greatly resemble in appearance an apple or a quince, and the better varieties are as large as a good-sized apple. When fully ripe the pulp becomes quite soft, and has been described as of a delicious, melting, peach-like flavor. The normal season of ripening is October and November, but as soon as the fruit is fully developed it may be picked and ripened in the house, and is then quite as good as though ripened on the tree." (F. W. Popenoe, Pomona Journal Economic Botany, 1, p. 83-90, 1911.) For distribution later. See halftone plate.

CASTILLA SP. (Urticaceae.) 31410. Seeds of a Central American rubber tree from Tula, Veracruz, Mexico. Presented by Mr. A. D. Patchen. One of the seven or eight trees of this genus capable of producing rubber. Introduced for the work of the Office in encouraging the growing of the various rubber trees in Porto Rico, Hawaii, and the Canal Zone. For distribution later.

CEIBA PENTANDRA. (Malvaceae.) 31393. Seeds of West Indian silk-cotton tree from Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by the Director of Agriculture. "A tree attaining a height of 100 feet or more, having an imposing appearance. Its bark is green and covered with rough tuberculated prickles. It tapers upward from a swollen base, around which are thick projecting buttresses of sufficient width to allow of horses being stalled between them." (Smith, Dictionary of popular names of economic plants.) "The fiber surrounding the seeds of this and related species is the 'kapok' of commerce, and is