

ASPARAGUS TRICHOPHYLLUS. (Convallariaceae.) 34133. Seeds of an asparagus from Novospassko, Russia. Presented by Mr. A. D. Voeikov. "An asparagus of twining habit, found in sandy and alkaline deserts in Central Asia. Of possible value in breeding work." (Frank N. Meyer.) For distribution later.

BAPHIA RACEMOSA. (Fabaceae.) 34164. Seeds from Durban, Natal. Presented by Dr. J. Medley Wood, Director, Durban Botanical Gardens. "An erect shrub or small branched tree with ascending branches. It is easily distinguished from all leguminous Cape shrubs in having simple, unifoliate ovate-lanceolate leaves. It has ornamental, white, strongly violet-scented flowers, with an orange spot at the base of the standard, and is known in Natal as the violet pea. The wood is too small to be used for timber, but if cut in winter, peeled at once and seasoned makes good implement handles." (Sim, Forest Flora of Cape Colony.) For distribution later.

BETA SP. (Chenopodiaceae.) 34252. Seeds of a wild beet from Artwin, Caucasus. Presented by Mr. A. Rolloff, Director, Botanical Gardens, Tiflis, Caucasus. This wild beet seed from the shores of the Black Sea was secured for the use of plant breeders interested in the improvement of this crop. For distribution later.

BOSCIA UNDULATA. (Rutaceae.) 34177. Seeds from Durban, Natal. Presented by Dr. J. Medley Wood, Director, Durban Botanic Gardens. "A large evergreen tree, often two to five feet in diameter with clean tall stems in high forests; frequent also as a bush or small spreading tree in scrub forests. The seeds germinate easily and the cultivation of the tree is simple. Timber white, close-grained, tough, hard and heavy, usually to be had sound in the mountain forests up to two feet in diameter and with ten to twenty rings to the inch. Used mostly by wagon-makers. In toughness it is the ash of the South African forests." (Sim, Forest Flora of Cape Colony.) For distribution later.

CAPPARIS CITRIFOLIA. (Capparidaceae.) 34165. Seeds from Durban, Natal. Presented by Dr. J. Medley Wood, Director, Durban Botanic Gardens. "A straggling shrub five to eight feet high, or with climbing branches where protected. Abundant in eastern Cape Colony and also in Natal. A decoction of the roots is used in local and native medicine." (Sim, Forest Flora of Cape Colony.) For distribution later.

CARISSA OVATA. (Apocynaceae.) 34153. Seeds from Sydney, New South Wales. Presented by Mr. J. H. Maiden, Director,