

this Bureau, who procured them through Sr. Arturo Zavala from the Chinese gardens. "Seeds from a very large and fine flavored fruit. The trees produce when small and are very prolific, many trees not over 7 feet in height bearing from 15 to 10 enormous fruits and of course, numerous smaller ones. The Chinese gardens about Merida are securing remarkable results with this fruit." (Collins.) For distribution later.

CASSIA OBOVATA. (Caesalpiaceae.) 34809. Seeds from South Africa. Presented by Prof. J. Burt-Davy, Government Agrostologist and Botanist, Pretoria, Transvaal. "Seed from the southwestern Transvaal and Bechuanaland. The root is supposed to possess medicinal virtues and the leaves are said to be used in tropical Africa as a substitute for and adulterant of, commercial senna; I have no personal experience of its merits. The plant prefers a sandy soil and grows in a region of summer rain with a 15 to 20 inch rainfall." (Burt-Davy.) For distribution later.

CHENOPODIUM QUINOA. (Chenopodiaceae.) 34823. Seeds of quinoa from Puno, Peru. Presented by Mr. C. Bues. "Seed of a Peruvian grain. It is exceedingly nourishing and might interest breakfast food manufacturers. Grows on semi-arid land, is sown in rows and gives big crops. Adaptable strains might be selected. Grows at 10000-11000 feet altitude and even higher. Sown near the beginning of the rainy season. The plant resembles a weed very common in the states, and should not be pulled as a weed." (Bues.) For distribution later.

CYDONIA JAPONICA. (Malaceae.) 34864. Plants of the Japanese quince from Nancy, France. Purchased from Messrs. Lemoine & Sons. "Variety Incendie. Flowers very beautiful, double and perfect; petals round, perfectly imbricated, live fiery scarlet in color." (Lemoine.) For distribution later.

DIOSCOREA SP. (Dioscoreaceae.) 34861. The root of a yam from Manila, Philippine Islands. Presented by Mr. O. W. Barrett, Chief, Division of Horticulture, Bureau of Agriculture. "A superior sort of yam. I think we have never sent you this variety before; it has a very distinct habit, as to the rhizomes, from other yams, somewhat resembling the old West Indian 'yampee' in that respect." (Barrett.) For distribution later.