

HERITIERA LITTORALIS. (Sterculiaceae.) 35413. Seeds of the dungonlate from Manila. Presented by O. W. Barrett, Chief, Division of Horticulture, Philippine Bureau of Agriculture. "A medium-sized tree with a dense crown, leaves entire, leathery, dark above and silvery beneath. The wood is very hard and durable and is classed among the best of the Philippine hardwoods. The tree is a good ornamental and makes an excellent windbreak. It succeeds on moist land and grows well even in the proximity of salt water." (Barrett.) For distribution later.

IPOMOEA BATATAS. (Convolvulaceae.) 35280-281. Tubers of sweet-potatoes from Callao, Peru. Presented by Mr. Luther K. Zabriskie, deputy American Consul. Two varieties of sweet-potatoes, one white skinned, and yellow within, with an especially sweet taste, and preferred by the Peruvians, the other a purple-skinned variety. For distribution later.

JUGLANS MANDSHURICA. (Juglandaceae.) 35303. Seeds of the Manchurian walnut from Mukden, Manchuria. Received from Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer. "The Manchurian walnut is a stately timber tree, occurring in Manchuria and Japan. It is very sensitive to late frost and on that account has proven to be a difficult tree to grow away from its native countries." (Meyer.) For distribution later.

LOVOA SWYNNERTONII. (Meliaceae.) 35459. Seeds of brown mahogany from Mount Silinda, Melsetter, Rhodesia. Presented by Mr. O. J. Omer, American Board Mission in South Africa through the Forest Service of this Department. "This tree produces a splendid dark brown wood of great strength and durability and is found only in our forest here at Mount Silinda, the only forest of large trees in Rhodesia. The tree grows to a height of 150 to 200 feet, diameter 5 to 8 feet, a 150 foot tree requiring about a hundred and fifty years for growth. It is, I understand a true mahogany, and it is because of its rarity that I thought you might take an interest in experimenting with it in America. The temperature here varies from about 30° F. in the cold season to about 80° in the shade during the summer months, rainfall 70 inches, more than half of this falling during the three summer months, elevation 5000 feet, distance to sea one hundred and fifty miles, prevailing winds from the sea." (Omer.) "It is a fact worth mentioning that other trees from Rhodesia have done peculiarly well in Florida." (Fairchild) For distribution later.