

73956. ELAEIS GUINEENSIS Jacq. Phoenicaceae. African oil palm.

From Cameroon, West Africa. Seeds collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received March 25, 1927. Numbered April, 1927.

No. 1192. Botanic garden, Victoria, February 17, 1927. Variety *Poissonii*. A form of the African oil palm with flowers having a so-called "fleshy perianth" (probably abortive fruits) which contain 69 per cent of oil. The common type has a papery perianth. The native name is *diwakkawakka*.

73957 to 73962.

From Yokohama, Japan. Plants purchased from the Yokohama Nursery Co. Received February 24, 1927. Numbered April, 1927.

A collection of bamboos to be grown for identification.

73957. ARUNDINARIA FASTUOSA (Marl.) Makino. Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73958. BAMBUSA NANA Roxb. Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73959. BAMBUSA ALPHONSO KARRI Hort. Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73960. PHYLLOSTACHYS PUBERULA NIGRA (Lodd.) H. de LeHaie (P. nigra Munro). Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73961. SASA ARGENTEO-STRIATA (Regel) E. G. Camus. Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73962. SASA AUREO-STRIATA (Regel) E. G. Camus. Poaceae. **Bamboo.**

73963 to 73967. VITIS VINIFERA L. Vitaceae. European grape.

From Baghdad, Iraq. Cuttings presented by J. F. Webster, inspector general, Department of Agriculture. Received March 16, 1927. Numbered April, 1927.

73963. Baid al haman. **73966. Saidi.**

73964. Dais al anz. **73967. Shadda.**

73965. K'ishmishi.

73968 and 73969.

From Bathurst, Gambia, West Africa. Seeds collected by David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, Bureau of Plant Industry, with the Allison V. Armour expedition. Received in February, 1927.

73968. ARACHIS HYPOGAEA L. Fabaceae. **Peanut.**

No. 1128. January 8, 1927. A white-seeded selection from the red-seeded Philippine variety which was introduced from the Philippine Islands several years ago. This white-seeded selection is the biggest yielder in Gambia.

73969. CYMBOPOGON sp. Poaceae. **Grass.**

No. 986. Bigelo Beach, near Cape St. Mary, January, 1927. A scented grass 6 feet high, with fragrant leaves, which may be valuable for the production of a variety of citronella oil.

73970. BAUHINIA sp. Caesalpinaceae.

From Summit, Canal Zone. Seeds presented by J. E. Higgins, Plant Introduction Garden. Received June 1, 1927.

A tropical leguminous ornamental shrub.

73971 to 73977.

From Moscow, Russia. Seeds presented by the secretary, Institute of Applied Botany and New Cultures. Received May 13, 1927.

73971 to 73977—Continued.

73971. ASTRAGALUS VARIEGATUS Franch. Fabaceae.

A hardy herbaceous leguminous perennial. Native to Russia.

73972. CAMPANULA sp. Campanulaceae. **Bellflower.**

A hardy herbaceous perennial with large blue flowers. Native to damp woods in Armenia.

73973. DELPHINIUM FLEXUOSUM Bieb. Ranunculaceae. **Larkspur.**

A hardy perennial larkspur with violet flowers. Native to Armenia.

73974. FRAGARIA sp. Rosaceae. **Strawberry.**

A wild strawberry from the region of the Amur River, eastern Siberia.

73975. HEDEYSARUM SEMENOWII Regel and Herd. Fabaceae.

For previous introduction and description see No. 73606.

73976. SPIRAEA sp. Rosaceae.

A hardy ornamental shrub from the region of the Amur River, eastern Siberia.

73977. VICIA ERVILIA (L.) Willd. Fabaceae. **Vetch.**

A hardy annual erect vetch native to the Mediterranean countries.

73978 to 73980.

From Moca, Dominican Republic. Seeds presented by Dr. R. Ciferri, director, Estación Nacional Agronómica y Colegio de Agricultura. Received June, 1927.

73978. CAJANUS INDICUS Spreng. Fabaceae. **Pigeon pea.**

A local large-seeded variety.

73979 and 73980. RICINUS COMMUNIS L. Euphorbiaceae. **Castor bean.**

73979. A rapid-growing vigorous form from Panama.

73980. Variety *Bailudensis*. A good yielder from Palermo, Italy.

73981 to 73984.

From Nikita, Yalta, Crimea, Russia. Seeds presented by George V. Heintz, manager, library of the Government botanical gardens. Received June 3, 1927.

73981. CELTIS AUSTRALIS L. Ulmaceae. **European hackberry.**

A shade tree, up to 60 feet high, with elmlike foliage and small purple edible fruits.

For previous introduction see No. 52285.

73982. CISTUS TAURICUS J. and C. Presl. Cistaceae.

A hardy purple-flowered shrub about 2 feet high, native to southwestern Europe.

73983. EXOCHORDA KOROLKOWI Lavall. Rosaceae. **Turkestan pearbush.**

For previous introduction and description see No. 73915.

73984. PISTACIA MUTICA Fisch. and Mey. Anacardiaceae.

A deciduous tree, up to 35 feet high, with pinnate foliage. It is sometimes used as stock for pistache (*Pistacia vera*).