

of *Hymenoxys*. The product is a rubber-like substance, which „does not, however, compare favourably with many of the lower grades of rubber already on the market.

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HILLIER], T. M., East Indian Dragon's Blood. (Kew Bulletin. 1906. p. 197—199.)

The resin known as East Indian Dragons Blood is obtained from the shells of the fruits of various species of *Daemonorops*, climbing rattan palms. In the Malay Peninsula the product is yielded by *D. didymophyllus*, *D. micranthus*, and *D. propinquus*. In Sumatra by *D. Draco*, and in Borneo by *D. Draconcellus*. The last four of the above species are the more important.

„Drop Dragons Blood“ is stated to be obtained from species of *Dracaena*.

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HILLIER], T. M., Ogea Gum. (Kew Bulletin. 1906. p. 199—200.)

Under the name „Ogea Gum“ various resins are known from Lagos, the Gold Coast and Southern Nigeria. The source of specimens from the Yoruba country, Lagos, has been identified as *Daniellia thurifera*, known as the Frankincense tree, and also as Bungo or Bungbo in Sierra Leone. Another specimen of Ogea gum from Lagos proves to be obtained from a species of *Cyanothrysus*. It appears probable that various species of this genus and the *Daniellia* yield the products passing under the collective name of Ogea Gum, but further investigations are needed.

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HILLIER], T. M., Persian Gum. (Kew Bulletin. 1906. p. 109—111.)

Evidence is brought to show that some, if not the greater part, of the Persian gum of commerce is derived from *Amygdalus leiocarpa* Boiss.

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