

26666 to 26688—Continued.

Distribution.—Southern Europe and western Asia, from southern France through the Tyrol and Greece to northern Persia.

26685. JASMINUM sp.

From near Baidari, Crimea, Russia. “(No. 1213a, January 15, 1910.) The same remarks apply to this as to Nos. 375 and 387 (S. P. I. Nos. 26766 and 26672).” (*Meyer.*)

26686. BERBERIS sp.

From hills near Sebastopol, Crimea, Russia. “(No. 1214a, January 11, 1910.) A barberry growing in rocky cliffs, in gullies, and on stony mountain sides. Has very large spines, but is of ornamental habit. Suitable as an ornamental garden shrub in mild-wintered regions, where the summers are hot and dry.” (*Meyer.*)

26687. ROSA GALLICA × ——?

From Liesnoi Forestry Institute, near St. Petersburg, Russia. “(No. 1215a, December 17, 1909.) Seeds collected from the same bushes from which cuttings were sent under No. 369 (S. P. I. No. 26618). See this number for remarks.” (*Meyer.*)

26688. JUNIPERUS EXCELSA Willd.

From mountains near Souchaja Retska, Crimea, Russia. “(No. 1220a, January 15, 1910.) A very beautiful juniper, with bluish-green foliage, large berries of dark violet color, and covered with a white bloom. A tall bush, but sometimes it grows into a tree 20 feet in height. Loves rocky and stony localities. A fine ornamental evergreen for mild-wintered regions, where hot and dry summers prevail. This juniper seems to occur only in the Crimea and the Caucasus.” (*Meyer.*)

Distribution.—Southeastern Russia, from the Crimea through the Caucasus to the vicinity of the Caspian Sea.

26689 to 26757.

Material grown at the Subtropical Garden, Miami, Fla. Numbered for convenience in recording distribution February 7, 1910.

Plants (unless otherwise noted) of the following; descriptive notes by Mr. P. J. Wester:

26689 to 26730. PERSEA AMERICANA Miller. **Avocado.**

26689. *Trapp.* “Seed presented by Prof. P. H. Rolfs, Miami, Fla., January 4, 1905, from a very late fruit of this variety.”

26690. “Seed presented by Mr. C. W. Butler, St. Petersburg, Fla., October, 1904. Fruited in 1909 for the first time. The fruit is of medium size, pyriform, surface smooth; greenish yellow, skin thin; quality very good; seed medium to large, filling cavity. Season, September.

26691. “Bud wood obtained from Judge White’s place, Buena Vista, Fla., by Mrs. P. H. Rolfs, May 4, 1905. Fruit said to be very good, ripening late in December and early in January.”

26692. “Bud wood received April 2, 1906, from Dr. F. S. Earle, Santiago de las Vegas, Cuba. Said to be a very late variety of good quality.”