

27344 to 27360—Continued.**27358.** VITIS VINIFERA L.**Grape.**

From near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 450, February 15, 1910.) *Schachisum*. A native Caucasian grape, coming originally from Derbent. Considered a fine table grape; berries long, finger-shaped, with hard flesh; color whitish, but rose when fully ripe; very late in ripening, not very sweet, but having excellent keeping qualities, a good grape for shipping. To be pruned with long wood to insure good crops. Obtained from the same source as No. 441 (S. P. I. No. 27349)." (*Meyer*.)

27359. VITIS VINIFERA L.**Grape.**

From near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 451, February 15, 1910.) *Achisum*. A Turkish table grape, having round berries of a white color, somewhat striped, sweet taste, hard flesh, and good keeping and shipping qualities. Obtained from the same source as No. 441 (S. P. I. No. 27349)." (*Meyer*.)

27360. LAUROCERASUS OFFICINALIS Roem.**Laurel cherry.**

From Dioscuria, near Sukhum-Kale, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 453, February 16, 1910.) A very handsome variety of the laurel cherry, having very dense, glossy foliage. Comes from the high mountains of the Caucasus, and is able to stand 20° Reaumur below zero (-13° F.) For this reason it is suitable for regions where heretofore we have been unable to grow this handsome evergreen. Obtained through Mr. E. H. Albrecht, head gardener of the estates Sings and Dioscuria, near Sukhum." (*Meyer*.)

Distribution.—In the woods on the lower slopes of the mountains in Greece, in the transcaucasian provinces of Russia, and in the northern part of Persia.

27361. DYSOXYLUM sp.

From Buitenzorg, Java. Procured by Mr. A. J. Perkins. Received March 11, 1910.

Seed of a forest tree.

27362 and 27363. VITIS VINIFERA L.**Grape.**

From Almeria, Spain. Procured by Mr. Edward J. Norton, American consul, Malaga, Spain. Received March 31, 1910.

Cuttings of the following:

27362. *Ohanez*. Procured for growing in California in order to determine definitely whether what is now grown quite extensively there as the *Ohanez* is in reality this variety.

27363. *Castiza* or black grape and *Castiza especial*.

NOTE.—The letter received from the consul on April 11, 1910, discloses the fact that there were two varieties in this lot; as there was no way of distinguishing this at the time, they were given the one number and distributed; it will be impossible to distinguish them now until the vines fruit, at which time they will be separated and given different numbers.

"*Ohanez* grape, synonym *Casta de Ohanez* or *Uva de Lonja*. Though several different grapes are met with near Almeria, this is by far the most important one, and the extraordinary carrying and keeping qualities of its fruit has led to the establishment of the shipping industry for which Almerias are now so well known. Some confusion seems to exist as to this variety, various varieties being sometimes called Almeria which have nothing in common with the true *Ohanez*. It will need to be grown in the warmer localities of the *Vinifera* regions as it is a very late grape and would not ripen in the cooler sections. As the fertile buds