

27651 to 27659—Continued.

- 27652.** *Ruby Queen*. "Round to oblong, flattened; skin purple; eyes shallow. Very early."
- 27653.** *Fürst Bismarck*. "Medium-sized, round tubers; skin deep flesh color; eyes shallow."
- 27654.** *Norma, Cimball's*. "Long, cylindrical, medium-sized tubers; skin yellowish; eyes shallow. A medium-early variety."
- 27655.** *Epicure*. "Medium-sized, round to oblong tubers; skin yellowish-white; eyes rather deep. An early variety."
- 27656.** *Entente Cordiale*. "Medium-sized, yellowish-skinned tubers, round to oblong, slightly flattened; eyes shallow. An early variety."
- 27657.** *Cäcilia*. "Tubers medium-sized, oblong, flattened; skin white; flesh yellowish white."
- 27658.** *Imperator, Richter's*. "Medium-sized, oblong, flattened tubers; skin yellowish white; eyes shallow."
- 27659.** *Industrie*. "Medium-sized, oblong, flattened tubers; skin yellowish white; eyes shallow; sprouts white."

27660 and 27661.

From Mayaguez, Porto Rico. Received through Mr. D. W. May, special agent in charge, Porto Rico Agricultural Experiment Station. Received April 19, 1910.

Seeds of the following:

27660. *ERYTHRINA UMBROSA* H. B. & K.

"This is a most excellent leguminous shade for coffee, and a windbreak for citrus groves." (*May*.)

Distribution.—On the mountains along the coast of Venezuela between La Guayra and Caracas.

27661. *STERCULIA FOETIDA* L.

See No. 17139 for description.

27662 to 27674.

From Tiflis, Caucasus, Russia. Received through Mr. Frank N. Meyer, agricultural explorer, April 8, 1910.

Seeds of the following:

27662. *FAGUS ORIENTALIS* Lipsky.

From Tiflis, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1286a, Mar. 21, 1910.) The Caucasian beech, which grows to be a tall and imposing tree and forms whole forests all through Caucasus. The wood is excellent material for tubs and barrels, furniture and tools. These seeds came from the vicinity of Yelisavetpol, eastern Caucasus, where there is only a slight annual rainfall (10-12 inches). Recommended as a shade and timber tree for mild-wintered, semiarid sections of the United States. Obtained from Mr. A. C. Rollow, director of the Botanic Gardens at Tiflis. Also see note for No. 406 (S. P. I. No. 26862)." (*Meyer*.)

Distribution.—Throughout the Caucasus region and in the province of Ghilan, northwestern Persia.

27663. *ALLIUM CEPA* L.

Onion.

From Tiflis, Caucasus, Russia. "(No. 1287a, Mar. 19, 1910.) A many-headed variety of native Caucasian onion, coming originally from the vicinity of Yelisavetpol, but now also much grown around Tiflis. The curiosity about this