



EDIBLE ACORNS OF THE CHINESE OAK (*PASANIA CORNEA* (LOUR.) OERSTED). (S. P. I. No. 35320.) NATURAL SIZE.

These hard-shelled acorns of the evergreen oak of South China have brilliant white kernels which are devoid of all astringency and are as sweet as chestnuts, with the firm texture of hazelnuts. They are sold by the bushel in the markets of Hongkong. The tree is evergreen and has shown a surprising degree of hardiness for a subtropical oak. It deserves to be tested in the Gulf States. Photograph (P9595FS), April 11, 1912.