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- 55233 to 55245. *PYRUS COMMUNIS* L. Malaceæ. Pear.
55233. (No. 2.) *Amanlisova máslovka* (*Beurré d'Annalis*).
55234. (No. 4.) *Avranska* (*Bonne Louise d'Avranches*).
55235. (No. 6.) *Ananska česká* (Bohemian ananas pear).
55236. (No. 9.) *Dielora* (*Beurre Diel*).
55237. (No. 11.) *Kozačka Stutgartská* (*Rousslet de Stuttgart*).
55238. (No. 12.) *Křivice* (*Beurre Clairgeau*).
55239. (No. 13.) *Pastornice* (*Poire de Curé*).
55240. (No. 15.) *President Mas*.
55241. (No. 16.) *Pstružka* (*Forelle*).
55242. (No. 17.) *Solanka*.
55243. (No. 18.) *Wienská* (*Triomphe de Vienne*).
55244. (No. 19.) *Hardenpontova* (*Beurré Hardenpont*).
55245. (No. 20.) *Ratajská*.

55246 to 55252. *MUSA PARADISIACA SAPIENTUM* (L.) Kuntze. Mu-
saceæ. Banana.

From Honolulu, Hawaii. Shoots presented by Willis T. Pope, horticulturist, Hawaii Agricultural Experiment Station. Received April 10, 1922.

55246. (No. 4490.) *Chamaluco*. The plant is from 10 to 15 feet in height with medium-sized leaves; when grown in fertile soil the bunches of fruit are rather large. There are two types—one with green and the other with gray fruits. The greater part of these fruits are eaten cooked at the time when other varieties are ripe. (Adapted from *Bulletin 25, Departamento de Agricultura y Trabajo, Porto Rico, p. 19.*)

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 19303.

55247. "(No. 4489.) *Ice Cream*. This banana is said to have been introduced into the Hawaiian Islands from the Malay region of Asia. It was first grown at the Hawaii Station, Honolulu, in 1900, offshoots having been obtained from William Chamberlain, of Honolulu.

"Description of the plant: A 1-year old clump grown from a single offshoot usually consists of 8 or 10 plants, varying from a size suitable for transplanting up to full-grown plants maturing fruit. The average height of the full-grown plant is about 20 feet. Each mature plant usually has 10 or 12 light-green leaves at one time. The trunk is light green with parts of the outer leaf sheaths varying from light green to dark brown. The light brown often has a slight tinge of pink. The leaf blades are shiny light green above with a frosty lighter green below, due to a powdery bloom which does not rub off easily. The young leaves often have the under side of the midrib tinged with pink. Small offshoots have leaves with both margin and midrib of a delicate pink. The bases of the petioles of the larger leaves have abrasionlike marks of brown to dark brown such as are not uncommon on older plants of several other varieties.

"Fruit: The bunch of the *Ice Cream* variety is medium in size, varying in weight from 30 to 60 pounds. In color it is strikingly different from most other yellow bananas. It has a whitish or bluish green color before maturity, which is due to the powdery bloom covering the entire fruit. This powdery bloom remains quite evident after the yellowing and full ripening of the fruit. The bananas usually ripen irregularly on the bunch. After ripening, the bananas very soon