

possible hardiness. Coming from an elevation about 1750 feet above Antigua, it may prove to be more frost resistant than varieties from the latter place, and it should be given a trial in localities in California and Florida which are thought to be slightly too cold for the average variety of this type. The tree is about 20 feet high, with a good crown. According to the owner, it bears over 200 fruits in good seasons, but sometimes the crop is partly destroyed by frost. The last of the fruits of this year's crop are now being picked. It seems to ripen later than most of the trees in Antigua, but this may be due to the difference in elevation. The fruit is of good size and quality, oblong-oval, weighing up to a pound, deep green in color, with flesh of good flavor and a seed slightly large in size, tight in the cavity. Form truncate oval; size medium to above medium, weight 10 to 16 ounces, length $3\frac{3}{8}$ to $3\frac{7}{8}$ inches, greatest breadth 3 to $3\frac{5}{8}$ inches; base obliquely flattened, the stem inserted to one side in a shallow cavity; stem very stout, about 4 inches long; apex truncate to rounded, the stigmatic point slightly raised; surface pebbled or slightly rough, dull deep green in color, with few yellowish dots and numerous rough russet scars; skin one-sixteenth inch thick at base, slightly thicker at apex of fruit, coarsely granular, separating readily, brittle; flesh firm, oily, rich yellow near the seed, changing to pale green near the skin, very slightly discolored around the base of the seed with fiber traces; flavor very rich, nutty; quality very good; seed medium to rather large in size, oblate-conic in form, $1\frac{5}{8}$ to 2 inches broad, tight in the cavity, with both seed coats adhering closely." 43560. "From the garden of Victor Garcia, who keeps a small cantina on the road from Antigua to San Antonia Aguas Calientes, just above the church at San Lorenzo del Cubo. After two weeks search in the Antigua region, this is the best early variety I have been able to find. There are practically no avocados in the Antigua market at the present time; here and there one finds a tree which ripens its fruits this early, but most of them are large-seeded. At lower elevations than this there are more trees which ripen their fruits in October, but here at 5000 feet there are exceedingly few. This variety is small, but I believe it will be found that the size is amply large enough where it is desired to serve a half fruit as a portion. The seed