



**THE TAMAYO AVOCADO, A NEW VARIETY FROM ECUADOR.**

(*Persea americana* Mill., S. P. I. No. 54270.)

Among the avocados introduced from the Chota Valley of northern Ecuador in 1921, the Tamayo is perhaps the most promising. It is either an unusually large-fruited Mexican or a hybrid between the Mexican and West Indian races. The fruits weigh about 18 ounces and are of excellent quality. The seed is comparatively small and the flesh a rich creamy yellow, smooth, and of delicious flavor. This variety is of much interest to avocado growers in California and Florida, as it promises to be hardier than the Guatemalan sorts now grown in those States. (Photographed, natural size, by Wilson Popenoe, Ibarra, Ecuador, February 19, 1921; P18417FS.)