

request of Mr. William A. S. Davenhill, British vice consul. "Jeresiana. This is the predominant grape in Granada. It resembles the Verdal as grown in California, but is sweeter, though perhaps smaller in size. Its pulp is firm and stands shipment well and the large white bunches seem as perfect after having stood the transportation over country roads as if they had just been picked from the vine. It is a very desirable grape for the table, and one which seems suited to a high altitude. It is also a good bearer, a hardy plant, and altogether a profitable table grape. I have not observed it in California." (Dr. Gustav Eisen, at whose suggestion the cuttings were secured.) For distribution later.

NOTES FROM FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS.

Mr. Frank N. Meyer writes from Kozlov, Tambov government, Russia Dec. 29, 1911, concerning the work of the foremost Russian plant breeders and referring to material which is sent in:

"All of this material is extremely valuable and represents years of patient work on the part of Mr. I. V. Mijurin, here in Kozlov, who was so kind as to allow me to clip off these twigs which I am herewith sending. He stated however, that he would like to see the source of origin mentioned when we are distributing this material, as his experiences have often been that his own creations have been given new names and been sold as the seller's own products. I trust you will kindly remember these wishes of his. Mr. Mijurin has been described as the Luther Burbank of Russia, and I must confess there is much resemblance between them in their work and methods only the first took a northern locality to pursue his work in and therefore are his products really of more value to the northern states than those of Burbank, and it gives me particular pleasure that I am rounding up this present exploration trip with a few real hardy things.

I will make a few remarks re these numbers.

No. 32662, A hybrid between *Amygdalus davidiana* and *A. nana*, is extremely interesting to us, as this plant may afford us a medium by which to create a perfectly hardy peach. Mr. Woeikoff, near Syzran, was wrong when he told me that the plants he had were hybrids between *A. persica* and *A. nana*, and I was right in my remarks that they looked strikingly like *A. davidiana*.

No. 32663, An apricot, standing the severe climate of Central Russia, is something marvellous! The tree does not seem to be a vigorous grower, but maybe we can develop better strains by selection and hybridization.