

**13292. PERSEA GRATISSIMA. Avocado.**

From Coban, Guatemala. Received thru Mr. G. N. Collins and Mr. C. B. Doyle, March, 1905.

"This thick-skinned type of avocado is very distinct from the varieties commonly found on the markets and from those grown in Florida, the West Indies, and Mexico. It is believed that they will stand shipping much better than the thinner-skinned sorts, and as the quality is fine they should be a valuable acquisition for Porto Rico and Hawaii." (*Collins.*)

**13293 to 13297. CALADIUM ESCULENTUM. Taro.**

From Magnolia, N. C. Received thru the Newberry Bulb Company, March 30, 1905.

**13298. PUNICA GRANATUM. Pomegranate.**

Received March 29, 1905, without advices, thru the Georgetown custom-house. Arrived in New York via steamship *Umbria*.

**13299. STUARTIA PENTAGYNA.**

From Morrisville, Pa. Received thru Mr. S. C. Moon, April 4, 1905.

**13300 to 13303. PHALARIS CANARIENSIS. Canary grass.**

From Marseille, France. Received thru Hon. Robert P. Skinner, United States consul-general, April 5, 1904.

**13300.** Cleaned seed from Rodosto, Turkey.

**13301.** Cleaned seed from Plata, Argentina.

**13302.** Ordinary seed from Rodosto, Turkey.

**13303.** Ordinary seed from Plata, Argentina.

"The exporters of canary seed (*Phalaris canariensis*) of Marseille handle only the imported grades, the best of which reach this city from Rodosto (Turkey). The Rodosto seed is richest and has scarcely any grain. The Plata seed has at times a better aspect than the Rodosto seed, but is much lighter, contains straw in excessive quantities, and the kernels are generally decorticated." (*Skinner.*)

**13304 and 13305.**

From Mustapha, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, government botanist. Received April 7, 1905.

**13304.** *SAPINDUS UTILIS.* Soapberry.

**13305.** *NARCISSUS PACHYBOLBUS.* Narcissus.

A vigorous species from western Algeria and Morocco, having 40 or 50 small flowers in clusters. Doctor Trabut thinks this will be interesting to cross with large-flowered varieties.

**13306 to 13312. LATHYRUS ODORATUS. Sweet pea.**

From Algiers, Algeria. Presented by Mr. Arkwright F. Telemly. Received April 7, 1905.

Early-maturing sweet peas, as follows:

**13306.** Blue and red. **13310.** Purple and bronze.

**13307.** Blue. **13311.** Purple.

**13308.** Rose and white. **13312.** Red.

**13309.** Lilac.