

when some distance off, of one variety of the Anis. This is the Anis Alui or Pink Anis, and, I suppose, the same as the Anis Rosovoi or Rose Anis spoken of at Simbirsk and other places on the Volga. It is an oblate apple of full medium size, or about the size of the Fameuse, the color of our Decarie, mostly a deep pink with a light blue bloom. In these dry climates we may expect high color. When we were on the Volga it was too early to taste it in good condition, and besides this, it is often picked too early, perhaps, to reach distant markets by a certain time. Whether it will color and ripen on its way to market, like a Duchess, or whether, like our St. Lawrence, it will almost cease to mature after it is picked from the tree, I cannot say. The grain is fine, the flesh white and firm. It is really a dessert apple of fine quality. It often sells at two roubles per pood, that is one dollar per thirty-six pounds, when poorer fruit is selling at thirty cents, and under Russian care it keeps till late winter or spring.

On account of its beauty and hence its salableness this Pink Anis is the most valuable of the family, and, therefore, when importing let us be sure to get it. It would seem to be the Anis of Mr. Shroeder, at Petrovskoe, but would appear not to be the Anis Alui of Kazan, of Dr. Regel, which is described as acid, and valuable only for cooking, unless this is Dr. Regel's verdict of its quality when grown in the cooler and moister summer of St. Petersburg.

There are other varieties of the Anis which differ but little in tree, yet differ more widely in texture of flesh, but they are not so pretty. At Simbirsk the Blue Anis is spoken of as the best for shipping very long distances as Perm and Siberia.

The Anis Belui, of Kazan, is not an Anis, but is an early autumn yellow apple of small size and fine quality. It is not a keeper, and yet is often gathered from the tree into a barrel of buckwheat hulls and put at once into a cold place, and thus kept till mid-winter and even later. As Mr. Budd suggests, this possibly is the Anis Koritschnevoe of Mr. Shroeder.

ANISOVKA.—Under this name Mr. Shroeder tells us of a medium sized, flat, yellowish green apple, with bright red side,