

Mr. Shroeder describes Aport as a very large, flat, conic apple with a red side, of aromatic flavor, not productive and too heavy and liable to be blown from the tree, yet grown a good deal to the South of Moscow, at Orel, Tula &c., the best of the Aports. This, I suppose, is our Alexander, but I cannot be certain.

In the report of the Royal Hort. Soc. of London for 1822, the Alexander is mentioned as having been received from Riga and is stated to be a native of Southern Russia. It was most probably received from the late M. Wagner, grandfather of M. Chs. Henri Wagner.

The Aport Ossemie or Winter Aport, Mr. Fischer, at Voronesh, says, is like Titovka, in fact often difficult to tell apart, although the one is a summer and the other a winter fruit. This seems like the apple we saw under this name on the Volga at Tenki, at Prince Gagarine's, and very like the colored print of the Aport ossemie given by Dr. Regel. It is a large oblong handsome winter apple. It and what we saw in Kozlof market I should think the most valuable of the apples known there as Aport. Of the summer Aports I seem to know nothing. On the Volga we saw several kinds, always large, usually well colored, and of fair quality, but none that specially struck me as of special value to us. I do not know that they have any just right to the name Aport, yet that name seems to be thought applicable to large apples.

ARABKA (*Arabskoe*). Under this name there are one or more apples of decided promise. At Moscow, Mr. Shroeder tells us of a large conic apple of very deep color which is a long keeper. The tree he finds a little tender at Moscow, but says that it is grown a good deal in central Russia. In the market at Kozlof, we find what would appear to be this apple, in fair quantity, and known as Arabka, and specimens taken to Voronesh were recognized by Mr. Fischer, Director of the Botanic Gardens, who considers it a valuable cooking apple that keeps till May; but he added that, that which he had received from Riga, under that name, had proved to be Gros Mogul. At Volsk, on the Volga, in latitude 52, we found in an orchard, about 12 trees in profuse bearing, of an apple known there as Tchougounka, which means cast-iron; the fruit was