

VIRGINISCHER ROSENAPFEL.—It is strange how a fruit may wander to distant lands, and generations after, return to its native land unrecognized. We first saw this in the nursery of the Pomological School at Proskau, and Mr. Budd declared that it must be the "Fourth of July." We then looked up the cast of the fruit in the museum and so it seemed to be. Why should it have the name Virginia unless it had been there, and how in those early days get there except *via* England. Yes, we may suppose it to have been included in those importations from Russia, made during the lifetime of the late Andrew Knight, and thence found its way to Virginia. Its name becoming lost, it was grown westward and northward in America as the Fourth of July, and returns to Russia, the land of its ancestors, even if not the land of its birth, as the Virginischer Rosenapfel.

WHITE KOROSHAVKA.—This is a favorite apple in the markets at Nijni Novgorod and Kazan, and is grown in fair quantity along the Volga for market purposes. It is an early apple, yet not one of the earliest, a fair sized white fruit with little marblings and stripes of red; tender, rather juicy, and so mildly acid as to incline to be almost sweet, but nice and pleasant, invariably good, and therefore better in quality than Skrute, though perhaps hardly grown in as great quantity. We find it grown largely in the villages in Kazan, and apparently quite hardy there, so that its hardiness one need not have doubts about; yet a friend at Simbrisk in a trying soil and situation finds in the long run that neither the White nor Red Koroshavka are equal in hardiness to the Anis and Antonovka, yet for all that a hardy tree, and I would say, a good summer apple lacking neither in beauty nor in good quality.

Of the coast apples in Russia I seem to know very little. We had no opportunity of seeing them in bearing. The climate is not our climate, yet their experience is valuable. Dr. Regel selected out of a longer list 41 kinds which he recommended, and out of these he marked ten kinds with double stars. These ten kinds are Antonovka, Aport (autumn), Borovinka, Belui Naliv, Red Summer Calville, Koritschnevoe (Zimmetapfel), Koritschnevoe Ananasnoe, Polosatoe Novgorodskoe, Skvosnoe Naliv, Skriusapfel, Titovka.