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Peters were first brought to Russia on the initiative of Peter I.

243 years ago today, on Aug. 26, 1770, the scientific article "Notes About the Potato" was published in Russia, explaining how to sow, maintain and gather crops. Potatoes were introduced into Russia by Peter I but faced stiff opposition from peasants, who resented ongoing attempts to enforce its cultivation.

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