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OUR LIST of both vegetable and flower seeds is very complete, comprising nearly all sorts that are desirable or of merit. We do not give novelties a special classification in our catalogue, but include them in the general list of varieties.

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Vegetable, Flower and Field

SEEDS

Bulbs for Spring Planting, Tools and Implements, Fertilizers and Insecticides

THE year that is just past has been one of trial and discouragement to many, while the country at large was involved in a great business depression. Through it all we are glad to say, our trade has not only been maintained, but increased, and with the dawn of brighter times, we have taken up our abode in our new and more commodious quarters, but a short distance from the old location. With our greatly increased facilities, we are better prepared than ever to serve our old and new friends with the best essentials for the garden.

We make no specious claims for extraordinary quality, or the superlative excellence of a great mass of high-flown novelties, but simply stand on the quality and methods of dealing which have won for us an extensive trade in Western Pennsylvania and contiguous states, including a very large connection among the most exacting growers—the market-gardeners.

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For Home and Market Gardens.

ALL ARE FRESH, OF SUPERIOR QUALITY AND STRONG GERMINATING POWER.

OUR Vegetable Seed Department is quite comprehensive, and embraces nearly all varieties that are desirable or of known value, together with all the more important novelties of recent introduction. The list has been carefully selected and prepared, and the descriptions given are chiefly derived from our own experience and observation. We have endeavored to make them as accurate and helpful to the purchaser in making selections as possible.

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POSTPAID. Seed in packets, ounces and quarter pounds are sent postpaid at Catalogue prices.
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Remember that these cash discounts refer only to prices of seeds sold in packets, and not to prices of seeds sold by weight and measure. Cash must accompany the order in all cases.

On \$1 Orders, select seeds amounting to	\$1.25
On 2 " " " " " "	2.50
On 3 " " " " " "	3.75

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on Flower Seeds,
see page 43.

ASPARAGUS.

(Spargel.)

THIS is one of the first and finest spring relishes which come to the table from the garden, and it really requires very little trouble in cultivation, since a bed once properly made and planted will last for years, demanding but a minimum of yearly care. The soil for the bed can hardly be made too rich, and the fertilizer should be well trenched in to the depth of 2 feet or more. The roots should be planted as early in spring as the ground can be prepared, setting them a foot apart in rows 3 or 4 feet apart, with the crowns from 4 to 6 inches below the surface of the bed. Asparagus seed may be sown directly in the permanent bed and the plants thinned as they grow; or it may be sown elsewhere, and the seedlings transplanted the second year.

An ounce of seed will sow 50 feet of drill and produce about 300 plants. Fair crops may be expected the third year from seed.

COLOSSAL. A widely cultivated variety, with very large, deep green, tender stalks of good flavor; the roots are vigorous and productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., 1/4 lb. 20 cts., lb. 50 cts.

PALMETTO. An earlier than Colossal, with stalks as fine in size and quality, and more even and regular in growth. It is of southern origin, but seems well adapted to all sections. Average bunches weigh about 2 pounds, and generally measure 1 3/4 inches round. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., 1/4 lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

BARR'S MAMMOTH. Stalks large, and retain their thickness well up to the top of the shoots. Heads close and round, very rapid in growth, light in color; very tender and succulent and free from tough fiber. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., 1/4 lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

COLUMBIAN MAMMOTH WHITE. This new variety differs from other sorts in that its stalks are pure white, and remain colorless as long as they are fit for use. The strain is a choice selection, grown from a pure white sport of Conover's Colossal, found growing in a field; 80 to 90 per cent. of the plants come true from seed. The variety is said to be as strong and productive as either of the other sorts, forming even larger shoots, which require no blanching, and bring a much higher market price. Pkt. 5 cts., 1/2 oz. 15 cts., 1/4 lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

ASPARAGUS ROOTS—100 1.00

Palmetto. 2-year-old. \$1.00 87 00

Colossal. 2-year-old. 1.00 70 00

Barr's Mammoth. 2-yr. 1.25 90 00

BROCCOLI.

(Spargen-Rohl.)

This vegetable is a species of Cabbage, and requires about the same treatment as Cauliflower. When properly cooked the heads are tender, white and delicate in flavor. An ounce of seed will produce about 3,000 plants.

WHITE CAPE. Heads creamy white, of medium size, compact, sure to form and delicate in flavor. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 40 cts., 1/4 lb. \$1.25.

PURPLE CAPE. Very much like the above, except that the heads are larger and of a purplish color. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 40 1/4 lb. \$1.25.

Palmetto Asparagus.

Beans, Dwarf or Bush.

(Zwerge Bohnen.)

BEANS are among our most valuable farinaceous foods, and form a market staple everywhere. The seeds should not be planted before the ground becomes light and warm, in favorable seasons usually about the first of May. Bush Limas should not be planted so early as other sorts, as Limas are particularly sensitive to cold and damp. The soil should be rich and mellow, and the seeds scattered about 3 inches apart in drills from 3 to 3½ inches apart, and covered about 2 inches deep. The plants will need frequent hoeings, but should never be cultivated when the leaves are wet with dew or rain, as this will cause them to rust. Successive sowings made at intervals of about 2 weeks until the middle of July will give a plentiful supply of Beans throughout the season. One quart of seed will sow 100 feet of drill; 2 bushels will sow an acre.

For Beans sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cts. per pint, 15 cts. per quart.

WAX OR YELLOW-PODDED VARIETIES.

GOLDEN WAX. (Original strain.) A very popular variety, more generally cultivated than any other sort, and in our trial for the last three years it has proved itself superior in all respects to the so-called Improved Golden Wax. Finer pods, better color and more tender. The vines are hardy, productive and moderately spreading, with small, smooth leaves and white flowers. The pods are long, straight, flatish, very fleshy and wax-like, and of the best quality when used either as snap or shell beans. The beans are small, oval, white, shaded with purplish red. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

GOLDEN-EYED WAX. This variety is as remarkable for its beauty of pod, vine and manner of growth as for its freedom from rust and blight. The plant is rapid and vigorous in growth, yielding an early and abundant crop of beautiful golden yellow pods. The plants grow about 1½ feet high, and by their strong, upright habit hold their heavy crop of pods well above the ground, so that they are always clean and attractive. The beans when dry have a peculiar golden marking. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15c., qt. 25c., pk. \$1.60.

WARDWELL WARE KIDNEY

WAX. A most excellent early variety, widely grown and much appreciated. The pods are creamy yellow, long, broad, flat, brittle and stringless; beans kidney-shaped, white, shaded with purplish brown; vines productive, strong and upright in growth. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

BECKERT'S SPECKLED WAX. This we introduced some years ago, and is one of the very best Bush Wax Beans in cultivation, either for home or market gardens. It is a second early variety, unequalled for a medium or late crop. The vines are large, vigorous and upright in growth, with dense foliage, and hold their thick clusters of pods well above the ground. The pods are clear waxen yellow, cylindrical, not so large as those of Yosemite Wax, but averaging 5 or 6 inches in length, and affording by their greater abundance a larger yield than is obtained from that variety. The quality of both pods and shell beans is excellent, the former being stringless, succulent and tender, the latter kidney-shaped and of a light dun color, striped and spotted with black. Because of its vigorous, spreading growth this variety should not be planted so thickly as other sorts. For productiveness it is unsurpassed. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

YOSEMITE WAX. This may be the forerunner of a race of giants among Beans. Its rich, golden yellow pods are 8 or 10 inches long and as thick as a finger; they are quite stringless, and nearly all solid flesh, which cooks to a tender, delicious pulp. Its fine appearance should make this a quick-selling market variety. Pkt. 10c., pt. 20c., qt. 40c., pk. \$2.50.

CURRIE'S RUST-PROOF WAX. This promises to be a very valuable Bean from the fact that it seems to be "rust-proof" after having been tested for several years with other Beans which rusted badly. The vines are very productive; pods bright yellow, of good size, straight, stringless, tender and good. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

GERMAN, or BLACK WAX. A very popular and profitable variety wherever sold or grown. The pods are yellowish, almost transparent, fleshy and stringless, seeds black when ripe. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 25c., pk. \$1.60.

BLACK-EYED WAX. This Bean is a cross between the Black and Golden Wax varieties; earlier than either of its parents. The tender yellow pods are fine in flavor; the white seeds are marked with black around the eye; vigorous and productive. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

REFUGEE WAX. Early, prolific, round, tender, waxy pods, approaching Black Wax in quality; seed resembling almost Extra Early Refugee, from which it originated; very desirable. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15c., qt. 30c., pk. \$1.75.

FLAGEOLET WAX (Scarlet or Perfection Wax). Nearly as early as Golden Wax, with pods longer and showier. The beans are flatish, long, kidney-shaped, excellent for cooking, scarlet or purplish red when ripe. Vines very productive; pods in clusters. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c., pk. \$1.75.

DATIE WAX. Of German origin; early, and fit for use a long time. Pods yellow, fleshy and free from string. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c., pk. \$1.75.

DEKHOIT IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX. One of the hardiest Wax Beans; good either for snaps or shelling; when baked the flavor is much like that of White Marrowfat. Pods golden yellow, straight, flat, thick to the edge. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

Golden-Eyed Wax.

Refugee Wax.

Beckert's Speckled Wax Bean.

GREEN-PODDED BUSH BEANS.

✓IMPROVED RED VALENTINE. The leading and by far the most generally grown green-podded Bush Bean. Hardy and vigorous; upright in growth, pods being well held up from the ground; early and remarkably uniform in ripening, making it very desirable for market gardeners, as a large proportion of the pods can be secured at one picking; pods round, thick and solid, tender, and of fine flavor. This strain of Valentine is earlier than any we have ever tested, and more uniform in ripening, with almost entire absence of flat pods. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50.

Improved Red Valentine.

✓LONG YELLOW SIX WEEKS. A standard variety, exceedingly valuable, because of its extra earliness and productiveness. The pods are long and flat, and of good quality as long as they are tender, but they toughen soon after maturity. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50.

✓MOHAWK or BROWN SIX WEEKS. An early and productive variety, with pods large and coarse, yet of excellent quality. The vines are strong-growing and harder than in preceding varieties. Pkt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.50.

✓EXTRA EARLY REFUGEE. This is a great improvement on the well-known Refugee, as it is considerably earlier, being fit to pick nearly as early as the Yellow Six Weeks. More dwarf and compact in growth, while the pods are round, solid, tender, and of most excellent quality when cooked for table use or for canning or pickling. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

BROWN-SPECKLED VALENTINE. (Refugee.) Matures in 40 days after germination. Pods round, tender, fleshy and fine in flavor. Pkt. 10c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.50.

IMPROVED EARLY WHITE VALENTINE. Similar to other Valentines, but with white seeds; it can be used both for snaps and shelled as a dry bean, for winter. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

BEST OF ALL. An extra good and productive dwarf Bean, with round, tender, succulent pods, twice as long as Valentine. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

BOSTON FAVORITE or GODDARD. This variety bears large, handsome red pods, tender and fine for use as snaps; the seeds are very large and of delicious flavor, whether used green or dry; vines yield heavily. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50.

WARREN BUSH BEAN. This Bean has been prominent for some time as one of the richest flavored of all bush Beans. It is a good cropper, and has pulpy, stringless pods. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

WHITE KIDNEY or ROYAL DWARF. A favorite for baking; large, kidney-shaped, flattened, white; excellent for use, green or dry. Not so productive as some. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50.

DWARF HORTICULTURAL. Furnishes green shelled beans of fine quality the earliest of any. The seeds are yellowish white, with red splashes; large, oval, plump, easily shelled. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c., pk. \$1.75.

CALIFORNIA or PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. Of tall, branching habit, bearing its pods in heavy crops high above the ground. Better than the common Navy Bean. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50.

ALL THE BUSH LIMA BEANS.

Fine Crops of Delicious Limas are now Grown without Poles.

HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA. This variety also has the compact bush form, and matures heavy crops without the support of brush or poles. It is two weeks earlier than the Pole Limas, and the bushes bear long and continually. The beans are of the small Seiva type, but have a fine flavor. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c., pk. \$1.75.

BURPEE'S BUSH LIMA. This Bean has been tested in

Burpee's Bush Lima (full size)

in different sections, and has become immensely popular. The plants come true from seed, and the dwarf habit has become well fixed, growing intosplendid branching, circular bushes, 18 or 20 inches high and 2 or 3 feet across. The strong constitution of the plant is shown in its stout, thick stalks and large, deep green, leathery leaves, as much as in its enormous yield of thick, broad, handsome pods, which are as large and well filled as those of the Pole Limas; as many as 200 pods have been counted on a single plant. Identical in size and flavor with the Pole Limas, having the same rich, buttery taste. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 25 cts., qt. 50 cts.

Burpee's Bush Lima.

✓DREER'S or KUMERLE'S BUSH LIMA. This variety of Dwarf Lima is much praised by all who have grown it, well establishing the introducer's claim for it as one of the best. The plant is of strong, bushy habit growing from 1½ to 2 feet high and producing its pods in great abundance. The beans are smaller than in some varieties of Lima, but are crowded thickly in the pods, and the seeds are thick, sweet and succulent. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 25 cts., qt. 50 cts.

JACKSON WONDER DWARF LIMA. A strain of the speckled Seiva or small Lima, originated in the south. The young pods can be used as a snap bean, whilst the matured pods can be used as other Limas. It is early and immensely productive; they resemble the Henderson's Bush Lima, being, however, larger in size, with better filled pods. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 25 cts., qt. 50 cts.

POLE or RUNNING BEANS.

(Stangen Bohnen.)

Pole Beans are not so hardy as the Bush sorts, and should be planted several weeks later, when danger from frost is over. Plant the seeds in slightly raised hills 3 or 4 feet apart, 4 or 5 seeds to the hill. The Limas are especially tender, and the rule for late outside planting with them is rigid. Pains-taking cultivators, who are usually the most successful, plant them eye downward, after setting stout poles for every hill. All sorts of late-ripening Pole Beans are benefited by pinching the tips of the vines back when they are about 5 feet high. A quart of Limas will plant about 100 hills; a quart of the smaller sorts about 200.

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GOLDEN ANDALUSIAN WAX. Pods 5 to 6 inches long, broad, thick, very fleshy and stringless, retaining this important feature until nearly ripe; the quality is exceedingly rich and fine flavored; commence bearing when quite young, and continue bearing the entire season; the ripe seed is round, pure white, and excellent as a shell bean. Pkt. 10 cts., Pt. 20 cts., qt. 35 cts.

GOLDEN CLUSTER. A beautiful and productive early variety, with plump, tender, yellow pods from 6 to 8 inches long, having, a very fine flavor, and remaining fit for use a long time. The vines are strong and healthy, and bear continuously, and commend these as a most useful and desirable sort. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 20 cts., qt. 35 cts.

GOLDEN CHAMPION. Prominent among the newest varieties of Beans; one of the best. The enormous light yellow pods somewhat resemble those of Yosemite Wax in size and form; they cook quite tender, and have no strings. The vines are luxuriant in growth, and seem to be quite rust-proof. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 20 cts., qt. 35 cts.

GIANT RED-SEEDED WAX. Pale yellow pods, from 6 to 9 inches long, and very thick and tender; vines productive; one of the best. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

LAZY WIFE. Immensely popular and productive; pods green, from 4 to 6 inches long, broad, thick, fleshy, and entirely stringless, retaining the rich, tender quality which gives them such value as snap-shoots for a long time. Each one contains from 6 to 8 plump, round, white beans, which are excellent for winter use; late in maturing. Are frequently planted among corn. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

IMPROVED KENTUCKY WONDER, or OLD HOMESTEAD. A very prolific sort, with long, showy green pods, borne in large clusters; they are often 9 or 10 inches in length; when young are nearly round, crisp and tender, but become irregular and spongy as the beans ripen. The dry seeds are oblong, oval, and a light dun color; vines strong, tall-climbing. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

SOUTHERN PROLIFIC. Pods produced in clusters; long, round, green, fleshy, tender; the vines bear heavily and continually until frost. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

HORTICULTURAL, or CHERRYBERRY. A fine old variety, popular for use as a shell bean, either green or dry; beans large, spotted with red, of good flavor. The plants are very productive. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

WHITE CREASE-BACK, or BEST OF ALL. Vines small to medium; vigorous and very productive, bearing pods in clusters; pods silvery green, medium size, best quality. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c.

RED SPECKLED CUT-SHORT. Used in some places for planting among corn, and known as Cornfield Bean. It is productive; of excellent quality; pods half-round, succulent. Pkt. 10c., pt. 15c., qt. 30c.

FRENCH ASPARAGUS, or YARD LONG. Pods sometimes grow 2 to 3 feet long; a great curiosity, and withal a Bean of excellent quality; tender and of asparagus flavor. Pkt. 10c., pt. 35c., qt. 70c.

SCARLET RUNNER. An English variety, with showy scarlet blossoms; beans purplish, with black markings. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 20 cts., qt. 35 cts.

WHITE RUNNER. Similar to preceding, only blossoms large, pure white. Pkt. 5c., pt. 20c., qt. 35c.

POLE LIMA BEANS.

KING OF THE GARDEN. An improvement on the Large Lima, with larger beans and pods and more productive habit. When not too closely planted, the vines set beans early, and bear continuously until frost; but two vines should be allowed to a hill. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.50.

LARGE LIMA. A standard main crop variety, both for shell and dry beans. The vines bear until frost, and the beans are large and buttery in flavor. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.50.

DREER'S IMPROVED LIMA. Early and productive; beans thick and rounded, tender and good. One of the best of the Pole Limas. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.50.

CHALLENGER LIMA. Similar to the Dreer's Lima, but more prolific and larger pods; early and continuous, bearing abundant clusters of pods until frost. Pkt. 10c., pt. 18c., qt. 35c., pk. \$2.50.

EXTRA EARLY JERSEY LIMA. Very popular in sections where the seasons are too short to grow the Large Lima profitably, because of its earliness. The beans are smaller than those of some other Limas, but are much the same in form and quality. Pkt. 10c., pt. 18c., qt. 35c., pk. \$2.50.

WILLOW-LEAF LIMA. The pods are of the Sieva type, larger than the Henderson's Bush Lima, well filled with pure white beans, which are of excellent quality; matures very early, is very prolific and bears until frost. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts.

HORTICULTURAL LIMA. A cross between the two Beans bearing its name, combining in a degree the good points of both, distancing all other Pole Beans in point of earliness, ripening with the Bush varieties; of decided merit. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts.

ENGLISH DWARF BEAN, BROAD WINDSOR.

English Broad Beans are as hardy as Peas, and should be sown in drills 2 feet apart as early in spring as the ground can be prepared. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts.

Lazy Wife Bean.

King of the Garden Lima.

For first crop, plant the Crosby Beet. For medium, use Early Blood Red Turnip, and for later, Dewing's Blood Turnip.

The Best Garden Beets.

(Salatrüben.)

SWEET and juicy Beet roots, when young and tender, form very tempting salads and pickles, and in some localities the young tops are frequently used as greens. The soil best suited to the Beet is a deep and light, rich sandy loam. For very early crops, the seed of Egyptian Turnip, or some similar sort, is sown in hotbeds, and the seedlings are transplanted to the open ground as soon as it is warm enough. For main crop or early Beets, the seed is sown outside, as soon as the soil is in good condition, in drills from 12 to 14 inches apart, and covered about 1 inch deep; the plants are thinned to stand 10 inches apart in the rows. The thinnings are excellent when prepared for the table like Spinach. For winter crops, sow seed in July, in drills as for early Beets, but the plants need not be thinned to stand more than 6 inches apart. An ounce of seed will sow 50 feet of drill; 5 to 6 pounds, an acre.

CROSBY IMPROVED. This strain has become very popular among market gardeners, and is an improvement on the Egyptian Blood Turnip, with roots thicker, ready for use earlier, smoother, and of better shape. The flesh is fine-grained, sweet and tender; the color is deep, rich red. It deserves a leading place among home

and market Beets. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35 cts., lb. \$1.20.

✓ **EGYPTIAN BLOOD TURNIP.** An early market sort, 10 to 12 days earlier than the old Blood Turnip; owing to the small top, it can be planted very closely; of fair quality, medium size, and dark crimson color. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **EARLY BLOOD TURNIP.** Very early, of rapid growth, with small tops, which admit of close cultivation; very profitable for first crops. The roots are roundish, flat, deep red and of good quality, but not equal in this respect to some later sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **ECLIPSE.** This variety has largely superseded the Egyptian, as it is almost as early as that variety, and is superior to it in many ways. The roots are globe-shaped, deep blood-red, with sweet, fine-grained flesh, which remains tender a long time; the tops are small. Equally good for both early and winter crops. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **EDMUND'S BLOOD TURNIP.** This variety has handsome, blood-red roots, which are always round, smooth and uniform in shape and of good marketable size, seldom growing too large, as with many varieties. The flesh is unusually sweet and good, and the tops are small. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **DEWING'S BLOOD TURNIP.** One of the best main crop and late sorts. The roots are long, round and smooth, with blood-red flesh, marked by light rings. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **BASSANO.** This is one of the earliest varieties; good and desirable in many ways, but has been largely replaced as a first-early market sort by the Egyptian. The roots are of good size, with light pink flesh, which is sweet and tender while young, but grows stringy and tough with age. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **LONG SMOOTH BLOOD.** An excellent winter Beet, with half-long, deep red roots; the flesh is firm, juicy and tender, and keeps until very late. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 65 cts.

✓ **SWISS CHARD (Sea-Kale Beet).** A distinct form of Beet, grown for its tender, succulent tops, which are prepared for the table like

Spinach or Asparagus. If sown early the tops may be used sooner than any other sort of greens; later the plants form broad, flat, waxen white stems and midribs, which are delicious when prepared like Asparagus. Cooked as other beets, the roots are of no value. If more widely known, this vegetable would soon become very popular; but its proper use must be understood before it will be esteemed as of any value whatever. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cts.

Crosby Improved Beet.

Early Blood Red Turnip Beet.

Field Beets.

Valuable for Stock Feeding.

Mangel-Wurzels and Sugar Beets are extensively grown for stock feeding, as they form very wholesome and nutritious food. Dairymen find them of especial value for feeding to cows, and say that they greatly increase the flow of milk. Field Beets grow much larger than garden sorts, and must be given more room to grow. The seeds should be dropped about 2 inches apart in drills 2 feet apart, and the plants thinned so that there will be 12 or 15 inches between them. Round-rooted varieties are best suited to light, sandy, shallow soils; long-rooted sorts to deep ones. On rich ground the yield per acre is enormous.

From 6 to 8 pounds of seed are required to sow an acre.

Add 6 cents per pound for postage, if to be sent by mail.

RED TOP SUGAR BEET. Combines with heavy yield a good percentage of sugar; white flesh, with red crown; very early. Oz. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 40 cts.

GOLDEN TANKARD. This variety has unusually large and handsome roots of a peculiar, tankard-shape, and grows more than half above the ground. The tops are small, and the flesh is very bright yellow, containing nearly as much saccharine matter as the widely known Sugar Beets. Oz. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 50 cts.

GIANT LONG RED MANGEL. A very profitable and heavy cropping variety of this branch of the Beet family; grown more generally than any other sort. The roots are very long and thick, with rose and white flesh, and grow partly above ground. Oz. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 50 cts.

LONG WHITE MANGEL. This variety is similar to Giant Long Red in all respects save color. The roots are large and very nutritious; the flesh white, as the name of the variety indicates, and it has the valuable merit of keeping well. Oz. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 50 cts.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS.

(Noientofl.)

This is a very delicate-flavored species of Cabbage, with small, solid tender heads clustered thickly along the main stem. When properly cooked and seasoned they are delicious, melting away in the mouth like fine Cauliflower. The seed should be sown in April or May, and the plants cultivated like Cabbage; they are very hardy, and the heads are improved by frost. In some sections where good Cabbage cannot be grown, these sprouts succeed admirably. All gardeners should give them a trial; they should be a favorite vegetable. An ounce of seed will produce 3,000 plants.

Brussels Sprouts.

CRESS.

(Kreffe.)

The tender young leaves of the Cresses form excellent, spicy spring salads, and are also used for garnishing. Seeds of the Water Cress should be scattered along the margins of running streams or ditches; the plants increase rapidly from the roots and by self-seeding, and require little care after they become established; the little seedlings will require some weeding until their roots become strong. Pepper-grass should be sown thickly in shallow drills in early spring, and at intervals for continual supply, as the plants soon run to seed.

Water Cress.

WATER CRESS. Small, oval leaves, very tender, crisp, and pleasantly spicy when young. Plant of prostrate habit. A perennial aquatic, which grows well in any running stream, forming large beds of leaves. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 40 cts.

NATIVE UPLAND. Seed of this species may be sown anywhere in moist places in spring or fall. Leaves broad, crisp, tender, and good for salads; plant a perennial. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 30 cts.

EXTRA CUCLED, or PEPPER-GRASS. Of pleasant, pungent flavor; the leaves can be cut several times. The plants grow well in almost any soil, and require little care. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts.

Our Vegetable Seeds are put up in large, well-filled packets.
They speak for themselves.

All-Seasons, or Vandergaw.

Early Summer.

Cabbage Seeds of Best Quality.

CABBAGE is one of the gardener's most important crops, the value of which depends as largely upon the quality of the seed used, as upon soil, climate and culture. The early sorts of cabbage are sometimes sown in autumn, protected with coldframes through the winter, and transplanted early in spring; but at the north they are usually sown early in spring in hotbeds, and later in the open ground for main and late crops. In the mild climate of the southern states, where the plants can endure the winter, they may be set out in rows in fall. Seed sown in hotbed or greenhouse about February 15 will give plants large enough to transplant into hotbeds about March 10. Set them 3 or 4 inches apart each way, and as soon as they become well established remove the glass for part of the day, to harden them for final transplanting into the open ground, increasing the exposure daily until April 10 or 20, when the final transplanting may be made. Plants for this early crop need not stand farther apart than $1\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 feet, and early Radishes and Lettuce may be sown between them if it is necessary to economize space. For late crops, sow seed in April or May and transplant in July, setting the plants in the ground up to the first leaf, and 2 x 3 feet apart. It is important that the plants should not stand thick in the seed-bed, as this would induce weak, slender plants, with long stumps and small heads. If the transplanting must be done on a dry, hot day, the roots should be "puddled"—kept in buckets of soil and water beside each planter—until they are placed in the ground.

To insure large, solid heads of Cabbage, the soil must be ploughed deep and made very rich, but preferably not with fresh manures. The plants need thorough cultivation, and the insects which molest them should be kept in check with remedies which seem most efficacious in the locality. Crops of Cabbage should not be grown for a number of years in the same ground on account of club-root.

To keep Cabbages over winter, harvest them on a dry day, turning the heads down for a few hours to drain. Store them in a cool cellar, or bury them in trenches dug in some dry place in the open ground, heads downward. In the Middle states only the stumps and part of the heads need be buried, then covered lightly with straw, or with boards in severe weather.

An ounce of seed will produce 3,000 plants.

If to be sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cents per pound for quantities of $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. and upward.

✓ **EXTRA EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.** The best early variety of Cabbage, and the one most extensively grown for home and market. The heads are of medium size, pyramidal, pointed, firm and solid, with few outside leaves; they are very uniform in shape, size and time of maturing, and are of good quality. The variety fully deserves its wide popularity. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **LARGE JERSEY WAKEFIELD, or CHARLESTON.** A selection from the above, and to days later, with heads rounder and twice as large, averaging from 15 to 18 pounds per head. As compared with Winnigstadt, with heads as large and firmer. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

Early Winnigstadt.

staid, the plant is surer heading, earlier, with heads as large and firmer. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., pk. \$3.

✓ **EARLY WINNIGSTADT, or CONE.** A standard, medium-early variety; firm, conical or "sugar-loaf" heads of fair size. It is something like the Early Jersey Wakefield Cabbage in the shape of heads, but is smaller, and not usually so reliable about heading-up. It is one of the best summer Cabbages, and, if sown late, good for fall. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

✓ **EARLY QUEEN.** A week earlier than any other flat-headed Cabbage. Heads flat and solid, with few outside leaves, averaging 4 pounds in weight; stems short. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., pk. \$3.

A good succession of Cabbage is Extra Early Jersey Wakefield for early, Early Summer for medium, and Late Flat Dutch for late.

We will quote you special prices on large quantities of Cabbage Seed. Write for prices early. Good crops of fine Cabbage cannot be grown without good seed. Our strains of Cabbage seed are unsurpassed by any.

Extra Early Jersey Wakefield.

Select Late Flat Dutch.

HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER. A favorite second-early sort, 8 to 10 days later than the Wakefield, and twice its size. The heads are large, solid, roundish flat, of good flavor, and stand a long while after maturity without bursting. The outer leaves of the plant grow close and upright, so that they may be planted close together. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

EARLY FLAT DUTCH. Another good second-early variety, which endures great heat without scorching or cracking. The heads are large, broad and solid, with few outer leaves; very good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

EARLY DRUMHEAD. Second-early, and very popular in some localities. The large, firm, heavy heads rest upon very short stems. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

ALL-HEAD. This variety is one of the best early summer Cabbages, uniformly large, in size of good quality, sure-heading, and adaptable to many soils. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

ALL-SEASONS, or VANDERGAW. This variety is already noted for its superior quality and delicacy of flavor. It is almost as early as Henderson's Early Summer, and the heads are much larger and quite thick through; equally good for early and for late crops. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 70 cts., lb. \$2.25.

HENDERSON'S SUCCESSION. About a week later than Early Summer, with heads much larger. Good for early or late use. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

Perfection Drumhead Savoy.

NONESUCH. A cross between Early Flat Dutch and Excelsior Flat Dutch, and medium between these two in size. The heads are ready for use a little later than those of Early Flat Dutch. Plants from seed sown in the fall will not run to seed like most second-early sorts when wintered over. Its combined good qualities will make this a general favorite. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

SURE-HEAD. Well named; the heads are of the Flat Dutch type, uniform in shape and size, solid and heavy. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

BECKERT'S MEDIUM FLAT DUTCH.

A select and sure-heading strain, with heads very uniform in type and medium in size. We can recommend this as one of the very best solid-heading, medium-sized sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

SELECT LARGE LATE FLAT DUTCH. An excellent keeping variety; the old standby for main crops, and still more extensively grown for main crops than any other sort. The heads are bluish green, large, broad, roundish, flat, solid, and of good quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

SELECT LARGE LATE DRUMHEAD. Almost as popular and widely grown for main crops as Late Flat Dutch, and similar to that variety in many respects, but with heads rounder and rather more coarsely ribbed. Good-keeping, sure-heading. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

EXCELSIOR FLAT DUTCH. A selection from Late Flat

Dutch, and very good for summer and fall crops, but does not keep well enough for winter use. The heads are large, firm and heavy. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

AUTUMN KING.

Late; sure-heading; heads of enormous size, yet regular and uniform, with few outer leaves. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

POTTLER'S BRUNSWICK.

One of the best late sorts. The heads often weigh from 20 to 25 pounds, and are hard and solid. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

MARBLEHEAD MAMMOTH. The largest Cabbage grown. The heads are enormous, sometimes weighing as much as 50 or 60 pounds; somewhat coarse, and hardly so good in quality as many of the smaller heading sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

GREEN CURLED SAVOY. The Savoy Cabbages are distinguishable by their wrinkled leaves. This variety has small loose heads, excellent for winter use. The plants are very hardy, and the flavor of the heads is improved by frost. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

IMPROVED AMERICAN DRUMHEAD SAVOY. One of the best Cabbages of this fine class. The heads are large, solid, with finely curled, close, wrinkled leaves of Cauliflower flavor; a good-keeping winter Cabbage. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

RED DUTCH. The heads are of good size, firm and of good flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts.

MAMMOTH ROCK RED. A select, late strain of red Cabbage, with very large heads which often weigh 12 pounds. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

WORLD-BEATER. A new variety, and for those who sell Cabbage by weight a valuable one. The heads are very large, broad, flat and thick; very solid, fine-grained and tender; stalk short, foliage dark green and compact. A very rapid grower. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

All Head.

James Intermediate.

Improved Long Orange.

Chantenay.

Danvers.

Early Scarlet Horn.

Carrots.

(Möhren.)

Carrots succeed best on light, sandy loam, which, preferably, should have been well fertilized the previous year, as fresh manures often cause the roots to grow pronged and misshapen. Sow the seed as early in spring as the ground can be prepared, firming the soil down over it. If sown late it should be soaked in tepid water, then mixed with plaster or sifted coal-ashes, and sown upon freshly prepared soil. Quick germination and rapid growth are necessary. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill; four pounds will sow an acre.

✓ EARLY SCARLET HORN. Best for forcing and early outdoor crops; can be grown in shallow soil, and requires no thinning if sparingly sown, as the roots are used when young for cooking. They are about 3 inches long, and of very good quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ HALF-LONG POINTED. The roots are intermediate in size and time of ripening between Dutch Horn and Long Orange; smooth, bright orange; well fluted. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ HALF-LONG STUMP-ROOTED. Much like the above, except that the roots have the stump form. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ CHANTENAY. Handsome roots, broader-shouldered than those of Nantes, and smoother and more uniform than in the Danvers. Of superior flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ IMPROVED LONG ORANGE. Extensively grown; hardly equal to Danvers in quality, but good, and heavy in yield. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ JAMES INTERMEDIATE. One of the best varieties for table or stock-feeding. The roots are large, fine, of good quality and deep orange-red. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ DANVERS HALF-LONG. Enormously productive, adapted to all soils. The roots are smooth, thick and intermediate between Short Horn and Long Orange in form. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 90c.

✓ HALF-LONG NANTES. Like Half-Long Stump-Rooted, but larger. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 90c.

✓ LARGE WHITE BELGIAN. A white-fleshed variety, similar to the above. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

✓ LARGE WHITE VOSGES. One of the best and most productive Carrots for stock-feeding, and especially suited to shallow soils. The roots are white-fleshed, very broad at the shoulder, and narrowed abruptly to a point. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

HOW TO GROW FINE CAULIFLOWER.

The general outlines of culture for Cauliflower and Cabbage are essentially the same, but to the former extra care given in the way of supplying fertilizers and moisture well repays the gardener. Sow the seed for early and late crops as directed for Cabbage, but do not set the early plants in the open field too soon, for if too much stunted by severe frosts they begin to form heads before they are strong enough to develop them well. Plants which have not headed before winter sets in may be stored in a cool cellar or cold-frame, and will form heads there without any further attention. A deep, loamy soil, with a substratum of moisture during dry weather is most suitable. An ounce of seed will produce about 3,000 plants.

Select Cauliflowers.

(Blumentopf.)

Fine cream-white heads of Cauliflower seldom fail to bring a good price in any market. Proper succession of varieties affords this vegetable through a long season.

✓ HENDERSON'S EARLY SNOWBALL. This is the earliest and most popular variety in cultivation, and is largely grown everywhere, both for forcing and early crops outside. The plants are dwarf and sure heading; of fine, delicate flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

✓ EXTRA DWARF SMALL-LEAVED ERFURT. Well adapted for close cultivation and forcing. The seed can be sown for a fall crop later than the seeds of any other sort; sure-heading, and the heads are of good quality; rather small. Pkt. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. 81, oz. 83.50.

Henderson's Early Snowball.

EXTRA EARLY ERFURT. We believe ours to be the finest strain of Erfurt ever offered. The plants may be depended upon to form large, firm, white heads very early. The variety compares very favorably with Early Snowball. Pkt. 20 cts., 1/2 oz. 31, oz. \$3.50.

EXTRA EARLY PARIS. A standard early variety, with short stems, large leaves, and large, firm, white heads. Pkt. 10 cts., 1/2 oz. 25 cts., oz. 90 cts.

NONPAREIL, or HALF-EARLY PARIS. Sown at the same time with the above, Nonpareil furnishes fine, uniform heads of good size as soon as the others are gone. Pkt. 10c., 1/2 oz. 20 cts., oz. 60 cts.

LONG ISLAND BEAUTY. (American-grown seed.) A choice selection from Extra Early Erfurt, kept pure and true by saving seed from the finest selected heads. Pkt. 20 cts., 1/2 oz. 31, oz. \$3.50.

LE NORMAND'S SHORT-STEM. A hardy late variety, endures dry weather well; produces good heads, with close, uniform curds, well protected by leaves. Pkt. 10c., oz. 60 cts.

VEITCH'S AUTUMN GIANT. An unusually fine late sort, with beautiful white, large, firm heads, which are well protected by large leaves, and remain tender and fit for use a long time. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 60 cts.

ALGIERS. Late, sure-heading; the heads are good in color and quality, and long-keeping. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 75 cts.

Celery.

(Selfrie.)

CRISP, tender, white stalks of Celery form one of the most tempting, popular and healthful relishes that can be placed upon the table. They can be grown successfully in any good soil, but are finest on deep, mellow bottom land. Seed for early crops should be sown in hot-beds about March 15; if sown too early, the plants are apt to run to seed after being transplanted. The plants may either be thinned to give them room to grow, or transplanted to another bed to grow until it is time to plant them in the open ground. For the main crop, seed should be sown in the open air as soon as the soil and air are warm enough. They should be covered very lightly, or merely pressed into the earth with a board, if the soil is fine and mellow. The seed-bed must be kept free from weeds and well watered in dry weather. When the plants are large enough, transplant them to shallow trenches or furrows from 4 to 6 feet apart, according to the variety grown, setting the plants 6 inches apart in the rows and pressing the soil firmly around them. They must be well cultivated and kept free from weeds until ready for blanching, which consists in drawing earth up to the stalks at intervals of about two weeks until but the tops of the plants are covered. During this process no earth should be allowed to fall into the center of the plants, as this would cause them to rust or decay. Celery may be kept for winter use in pits or cellars, or in deep, narrow trenches, in a dry situation; the latter must be covered with boards and sufficient soil and manure on top to keep out the frost, leaving openings for ventilation in mild weather at short distances. An ounce of seed will produce about 2,000 plants.

GOLDEN DWARF, or GOLDEN HEART. A very attractive variety, with heart and inner leaves a beautiful golden yellow when blanched; the stalks are solid, crisp and nutty in flavor, and keep for a long time. The plant does not differ materially in habit from the half dwarf sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

WHITE PLUME CELERY,
SELECT STOCK.

(Our strain of this seed is fully 95 per cent. pure.)

A Bouquet of New Rose and White Plume Celery.

WHITE PLUME. A very popular market variety, easily blanched, and one of the handsomest sorts grown. In large plants the stalks, hearts and inner leaves become white without any blanching. Good for fall and summer crops, but does not keep well enough for winter use. Its fine appearance sells it readily in market, but the quality of the stalks is not so good as in some less showy sorts. For very early market use, however, few varieties surpass it. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 35 cts., 1/2 lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.40.

PERFECTION HEARTWELL. A choice selection from Golden Dwarf, but more vigorous in growth and with heart larger and closer-growing. The stalks are easily blanched, crisp, tender and of good flavor, keeping until quite late. One of the very best varieties; a little taller than Crawford's Half-Dwarf and a little later in maturing; the best-flavored, most crisp and tender of all the white varieties; sure to give satisfaction. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 85 cts., lb. \$3.00.

CRAWFORD HALF-DWARF. A vigorous, bushy-growing and late-keeping Celery, with solid, crisp, nutty-flavored stalks, blanching to yellowish white. The stalks are so solid and close growing that the variety surpasses many taller-growing sorts in weight per bunch. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

GIANT PASCAL. A selection from the popular Golden Self-Blanching, partaking of all the best qualities of that variety, but larger in growth and better keeping. The stalks are remarkably broad and thick and about 2 feet high, yet Blanch quickly with but slight banking; their rich, nutty flavor is entirely free from any bitter taste, and they are to be a valuable sort for both early and late use. This variety is especially recommended for culture in the south where it has given great satisfaction both in growth and quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 35 cts., 1/2 lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.40.

Reliable Seeds
are all-important.

Golden Self-Blanching.

CELERIAC, or TURNIP-ROOTED CELERY.

(Knollen Sellerie.)

The turnip-like roots of this vegetable are used for flavoring meats and soups, or are prepared for cooking like Turnips—boiled in just milk enough to cover them until quite tender, then seasoned with salt and pepper, and served with butter. They are also good when used with vinegar as a salad. The seed should be sown in early spring, in light, rich soil, the seedlings transplanted in May, and watered freely in dry weather. When the plants are nearly full-grown they are sometimes banked 4 or 5 inches deep, to blanch them, but this is not really necessary, as only the roots are used. They will be ready for cooking in October, and may be preserved for use during winter in dry sand. Celeriac is said to be as fine a nerve tonic as celery, and can be grown in many sections where celery culture is practically impossible. The roots have almost the same flavor as the crispest white celery stalks, and do not require half so much care in banking, while they keep perfectly with no more care than a crop of turnips—much longer than celery stalks will. An ounce of seed will produce about 5,000 plants.

PRAGUE GIANT. The roots of this variety are very large and smooth, with no side roots, and sell better in market than those of almost any other sort. When young they are quite tender and marrow-like, having a fine flavor and cooking quickly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

APPLE-SHAPED. Small, round leaves and apple-shaped roots, of good flavor; early in maturing, smooth and smaller than the above, but quite as nutty and palatable; fine for flavoring. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

ROOTS OF CELERIAC. If these are planted instead of the seed, they may be used earlier the same season, 35 cts. per row.

GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING. Like the White Plume, this Celery is self-blanching to a remarkable degree, but unlike it, has stalks of beautiful golden yellow, equal in quality to those of any variety grown. The plants are semi-dwarf and vigorous in habit, with large, ribbed and rounded stalks, which are quite crisp and tender. The variety may be distinguished when quite small by the distinct yellowish green of its leaves. This is one of the best and handsomest kinds of Celery which can be grown, either for home use or for market. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 35 cts., 1/2 lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.40.

GIANT GOLDEN HEART. A choice strain, derived from Dwarf Golden Heart by careful selection and high culture. In beauty, size and quality it is all that could be desired, and is a great favorite with private gardeners on account of its rich color and fine flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

KALAMAZOO. A celebrated market sort, of large, neat and rapid growth, and showy appearance. It is remarkable for the even, uniform growth of its stalks, which are close-growing, large, thick, solid, crisp and delicious. A good-keeping, first-class Celery. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

BOSTON MARKET. This variety is much grown in the city from whence it takes its name. The plants are half-dwarf and very robust in growth, producing numerous small shoots from the sides. The main stems are large and rather coarse; quality fine. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

NEW ROSE. The red-tinged sorts of Celery have never been so generally appreciated as other varieties, but are really superior to the white and yellow-blanching kinds in flavor, hardness, and the solidity of their stems, which are of good size, crisp and tender, keeping in prime condition longer than those of white and yellow Celeries. The delicate shadings and tracings of rose on the blanching stalks and in the heart render this a very ornamental variety, especially when mingled with White Plume in a holder, as shown in the illustration on the preceding page. The flavor is much better than that of White Plume, however, being very rich and nutty. The pink-tinted Celeries deserve wider cultivation, and they will have it when they are better known. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

LARGE WHITE SOLID. This variety is not extensively grown on account of its very large size, yet few other sorts are equal to it in rich delicacy of flavor. It is one of the best of the large-growing sorts, attaining a height of 3 feet under good cultivation. It is especially adapted to southern sections of the country, as it grows freely in a hot or dry atmosphere. The rows should never be less than 4 feet apart for this variety. Although the labor of banking it up is considerable, still its fine quality makes the trouble well worth while, as all who have ever tasted the crisp, nutty-flavored stalks will attest. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., 1/2 lb. 80 cts., lb. \$2.80.

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Plants and Roots
see closing pages
of this department.

Golden Dwarf.

Prague Giant Celeriac.

Giant Pascal.

All our Vegetable Seeds are Fresh, Pure, of Strong Germinating Power, and are sold at the Lowest Prices consistent with Best Quality.

Russell's Prolific.

White Cory.

Corn.

(SWEET or SUGAR.)

(Hatz.)

THIS delicious vegetable may be enjoyed from early summer until frost if the proper varieties are selected and planted for succession at intervals of every 2 weeks from May until the middle of July. If the seed is planted too early, before the ground becomes warm, it is liable to decay. Plant in hills 3 or 4 feet apart each way, 5 or 6 kernels to a hill; or, in rows 4 or 5 feet apart, scattering the seeds thinly in the rows. The taller-growing variety, the richer should be the soil and the wider the space allowed for development.

For Sweet Corn sent by mail, add 10 cts. per quart for postage.

EARLY VARIETIES.

EXTRA EARLY ADAMS. Although not a Sugar Corn, this is much grown for table use because of its extreme earliness. The plants are rather dwarf, with no suckers and few tassels. The ears are short, but of good size for so early a variety, and well filled with smooth, white grains. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

CORY. The earliest variety in cultivation; the stalks are short, with ears set quite low and may stand only 2½ feet apart; the ears are of good size and well-filled with large, yellowish grains. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.25.

FIRST OF ALL. Said to be ready for the table from three days to a week earlier than the Cory. In habit of growth, similar to the Cory, but dwarfier; should be extremely valuable to market men. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.25.

EARLY WHITE CORY. Identical with Cory, except in color, grains and cob being pure white in this sort, thus removing an objection which has sometimes been made to Cory. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

EARLY MINNESOTA. Ready for use a few days later than Adams. The ears are long, eight-rowed, and filled with broad, sweet grains; the stalks are short, and usually bear 2 or 3 good ears apiece. This is an old and deservedly popular market sort, succeeding well in general culture everywhere. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

PERRY'S HYBRID. A valuable early market variety. The ears are larger than Minnesota, and ready for use quite as early; they contain from 12 to 15 rows of large, pure white grains, extending quite to the ends of the red cobs. The stalks grow about 5 feet high, and bear 2 or more fine ears each. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

STABLE EARLY. Very popular among truckers, and also desirable for private gardens and canning. The ears mature for use medium early, and are larger than in the majority of early kinds; they are remarkably sweet and tender, remaining so for a long time, and shrinking but little in drying. A very productive variety, and one of the best early sorts of Sweet Corn. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

EARLY CROSBY. Ears of medium length, good size, twelve-rowed, filled with thick, sweet grains; but little later than Minnesota. The stalks are productive, vigorous and hardy, seeming from reports to succeed well in all sections. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

MOORE'S CONCORD. Produces large, handsome ears, and comes into use after Perry's Hybrid. The ears are produced low on the stalk; quality excellent. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.25.

RUSSELL'S PROLIFIC. Extensively grown by our local market-gardeners, and almost as early as the Concord. The ears are large, well shaped and filled, and of the very best quality; the stalks perfect two or more good ears each; an exceedingly valuable early variety. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

CLARK'S NONSUCH. A new variety that will be sure to please; comes in just after Concord, with larger ears. The leaves, stalk and cob are of a rich pink color, while the grain is white tinted to pink at the cob end; shows no sign of glaze or flint, and is sweet and tender. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.25.

SHAKER'S EARLY. Very productive, and medium early. A superb variety, with large, well-filled ears; kernels of pearly whiteness; sweet and delicious flavor; ready for market about a week after Crosby; ears much larger. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10c., qt. 20c., pk. \$1.25.

For a good succession for the home garden: Perry's Hybrid for early, Russell's Prolific for medium, and Evergreen for late.

Shaker's Early.

Perry's Hybrid.

Sweet or Sugar Corn.

WM. C. BECKERT,
ALLEGHENY, PA.

BOSLYN HYBRID. A very large-growing variety, with handsome ears, which mature 10 to 12 days later than those of Stabler Early; in quality they are thought by some to excel Stowell Evergreen; the flavor is very rich and sweet. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. 1.25.

OLD COLONY. (Landreth's Sugar.) Remarkable for its productiveness, averaging three good ears to the stalk, and but little later than Moore Concord. The ears are quite large, and always well filled, containing from 16 to 20 rows of deep, sugary grains. The variety is of Massachusetts origin, but is popular everywhere, and seems to adapt itself very well to all sorts of soils. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

HICKOX. Very productive, and excellent for home or market; also one of the best sorts for canners' use. Earlier than Stowell Evergreen, and like it in long-standing quality of stalks and ears. The latter are large, 12-rowed, uniform and handsome in appearance, sweet, tender and juicy, remaining fit for use a long time. Almost every stalk bears two large, well-developed ears. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

EARLY MAMMOTH. A splendid home or market sort, maturing for use two weeks earlier than Late Mammoth, and with ears fully as long, but larger at the stem end, and tapering more toward the tip. The grains are large, white, and even, and the quality good, the many wrinkles denoting extra sweetness. This variety is destined to great popularity. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

COUNTRY GENTLEMAN. A new Sweet Corn, derived from the old Shoe Peg, or Ne Plus Ultra, which is the sweetest sort grown. Has ears of good size, and handsome, tapering shape, well filled to the tips with deep, tender, white grains of delicious quality; the cobs are small; the stalks hardy and productive, averaging three ears each. The Country Gentleman is superior in quality to any other variety. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.50.

For Sweet Fodder
and other Corns, see
Field Seeds, page 37.

STOWELL EVERGREEN. A splendid old standard, main-crop variety, grown more generally and on a larger scale than any other sort. The ears are large, with deep, tender, sugary grains, and remain fit for use longer after maturity than those of any other Sweet Corn. This is a very productive and hardy variety, adaptable either as an early or late sort, and fine for private gardens, market and canning. It holds its own beside all newer sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

LATE MAMMOTH SUGAR. Noted for the enormous size of the ears, which frequently weigh from 2 to 3 pounds; the cobs are large, the grains flat, the quality very good. This is a very productive variety, and matures its ears a little later than Stowell Evergreen. One of the best of the large-eared sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

EGYPTIAN. This variety, also, has ears remarkable for size, as well as for sweetness and richness of flavor. The stalks grow about 8 feet tall, and bear from 2 to 4 ears each, high above the ground. A very popular sort, extensively used for canning, home use and market, and not likely to be superseded by any new varieties. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

POPCORN.

(Rnalfiern.)

In every garden this should be grown for the benefit of the children, who delight in parching it, and in making "Popcorn Balls." A more innocent and pleasurable amusement could hardly be found for them during winter evenings. On account of its small grains, Popcorn is also valuable for feeding to young chicks and other poultry, it being considered much more healthful for them than the bread or dough generally used. It requires only ordinary culture, and may be sown thickly in rows. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts.

Bennett's White Spine Cucumbers.

Cucumbers.

All the Best Sorts for Salads and Pickling.

(Surfe.)

Nichol's Medium Green.

The Cucumber is a species of the tender melon genus, and for general crops the seed cannot be planted in the open ground before the weather has become warm and settled, and the ground mellow and light. Plant the seeds in well-enriched hills about 4 feet apart each way, and as soon as all danger from insects is over thin the plants to leave four of the strongest in each hill. For succession, sow at intervals of every two weeks until midsummer. Extra early crops may be grown by planting the seeds in hotbeds in April upon pieces of sod turned upside down, and removing these in the open ground as soon as the weather is warm enough. For pickles, sow seed from the middle of June until the middle of July. The vines bear longer if the fruits are gathered as soon as they are large enough; their strength is soon exhausted by ripening fruits. An ounce of seed will plant 50 hills; two pounds will plant an acre.

Add postage at rate of 8 cts. per lb., if by mail, for $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. and upwards.

BENNETT'S WHITE SPINE. Fruits 7 to 10 inches long, and proportionately thick throughout, being as full at both ends as in the center; they retain their glossy green color a long time on the vines. Ready a week earlier than Improved White Spine. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

IMPROVED WHITE SPINE. This variety is a great favorite for markets, as it is very early and productive, and suitable either for forcing or early outdoor crops. The vines are vigorous and rapid-growing; the fruits are of medium size, good shape, light green, with a few white spines on the surface; crisp, tender, and of excellent flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EXTRA LONG EVERGREEN, or WHITE SPINE. The fruits of this Cucumber grow from 10 to 12 inches long, and are very straight and fine in appearance; when about 5 or 6 inches long they make excellent, firm, dark green pickles. There is no better variety for table use and family pickles, although for commercial pickling the fruits are generally considered rather too long. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

IMPROVED LONG GREEN. The leading variety among long-growing sorts, and excellent for pickles, but not so productive as the short-fruited Cucumbers. The fruits are dark green, long, well-shaped, firm and crisp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EVERGREEN (new). Smooth and handsome as Nichol's Medium Green, but does not turn yellow quickly as does that otherwise excellent sort; it is early, of very vigorous growth; very prolific, and bears abundantly until frost; possesses every qualification of a perfect pickle sort, and being, as well, excellent for slicing. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 75 cts.

JERSEY PICKLING. Superior to most other sorts for pickling, and extensively grown for that purpose. The vines are wonderfully productive, and the fruits are rich, deep green, small and very uniform in size. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

IMPROVED CHICAGO, or WESTERFIELD PICKLE. This variety originated near Chicago, and is used almost exclusively of any other sort in the pickle factories there. The fruits are deep green, of medium length, pointed at the ends. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EXTRA EARLY PROLIFIC. A distinct and very popular sort, very productive and popular for pickling. The fruits are bright green, of medium size, short, almost cylindrical, crisp and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EVERBEARING. The peculiar merit of this new Cucumber lies in the fact that the vines produce fruit continually until frost, from very early in the season, and thus are enormously productive. The fruits are small, well-shaped and of good quality for pickling or salads. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

TAILBY HYBRID. An excellent variety for family use. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EARLY FRAME. A very popular old variety, well adapted to forcing, very prolific, and excellent for pickling; fruit of medium size, produced very early. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EARLY CLUSTER. Fruits produced in clusters and very abundantly; short, dark green, firm, crisp and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

NICHOL'S MEDIUM GREEN. This is a very heavy cropping variety, with straight, smooth, green fruits, which are excellent either for salads or pickles, but turn yellow sooner than in some other sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EARLY RUSSIAN. Very early, hardy and prolific; excellent for forcing; the fruits are small, oval, pointed, crisp and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

WHITE PEARL. A new variety, with fruits quite distinct and fine in appearance, and produced so thickly that they lie in heaps. The vines set their first fruits close around the stems, mature them early, and continue bearing profusely throughout the season. The fruits are very smooth and free from spines, almost white, uniform in shape and size, almost pure white, and fine in flesh and flavor. Even in quite small fruits the color is very light green. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

GIANT PERA. The largest long green Cucumber in cultivation. The fruits are very smooth, from 17 to 22 inches long, with few seeds, and crisp, tender, clear white flesh. The seed cavity is very small, and the seed so slow in hardening that the Cucumbers may be used for salads when quite large. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

Improved White Spine Cucumber.

Everbearing Cucumber. (See page 45.)

SERPENT. The fruits are remarkable and interesting as curiosities, of enormous size, and yet of fair quality. They grow in coils, like a snake, with the head protruding, and are sometimes six feet long. Pkt. 10 cts.

JAPANESE CLIMBING. Distinct and new in fruit and habit. The vines are vigorous, tall-climbing, and cling tightly to trellises or any support provided. The fruits are almost straight, large, and from 12 to 16 inches long; the skin is dark green, turning a netted brown when ripe; the flesh is thick, tender, and delicately flavored. When young the Cucumbers make attractive pickles, and are also good for slicing as salads. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts.

ENGLISH FRAME CUCUMBERS.

These varieties are used principally for forcing. They can be grown in hot-beds or houses where the temperature does not fall below 65° at night. The fruits are very long, smooth and handsome, frequently growing from 20 to 30 inches long. Per packet, 25 cents.

BEST VARIETIES Sion House/Telegraph/Duke of Edinburgh. Each, 25 cents.

WEST INDIA GHERKIN.

This is not properly a cucumber, but its small, round, prickly fruits resemble cucumbers in shape, and are used like them for pickling. The vines grow quite rapidly, and bear heavily. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 35 cts.

ENDIVE.

(Endivien.)

This is an important fall and winter salad. For early the seed should be sown in April, in drills 15 inches apart, and the seedlings thinned to stand 12 inches apart in the rows. Sowings for the main crop can be made in June and July, as the vegetable is used principally in fall and winter. The inner leaves may be blanched to a beautiful yellowish white in from three to five weeks, by tying the tips of the outer ones together, or by laying boards over the plants. Ordinarily good soil and culture are all the crop requires. An ounce of seed will sow 500 feet of drill.

Green Curled Endive.

GREEN CURLED. The hardest variety and the one most generally cultivated. The dark green leaves are beautifully curled, and when blanched are very crisp and tender; they are ready for use a little earlier than other sorts. Pkt. 5c, oz. 20c, ¼ lb. 60c.

BROAD-LEAVED BATAVIAN. The broad, thick leaves of this variety are slightly wrinkled, and form large, loose heads, which are used for soups and stews, and also make excellent salads when blanched. The plant is very hardy, and yields heavier crops than other sorts, but does not blanch so easily. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., ¼ lb. 60 cts.

MOSS-CURLED. A dense-growing Endive, with finely cut and curled, moss-like leaves. They are very beautiful when well blanched, and quite crisp and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., ¼ lb. 60 cts.

WHITE CURLED. This and the preceding sort are not so hardy as other varieties, but the fault is atoned for by the beauty and delicate flavor of the leaves. White Curled has tender, curly leaves of silvery green. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., ¼ lb. 60 cts.

Egg-Plant.

(Cictriflage.)

This is a tropical, heat-loving vegetable, and should be given a rich soil. Sow the seed in hot-beds early in March, and when the plants are three inches high transplant them to small pots, and plunge them in the same beds; this is to make them strong and stocky. They should not be planted out in rows until May or June, when the weather becomes warm and settled, as cool nights and wet weather will check their growth. Set the plants in rows three feet apart each way, and give them thorough cultivation, drawing the earth up to the stems when they are about a foot high; it is well to keep some plants in the hot-bed for replanting. Repeated sowings are sometimes necessary, as the seed does not germinate freely without strong and uniform heat. In cutting the fruit be careful not to injure the plants. An ounce of seed will produce 1,000 plants.

Improved New York Thornless Egg-Plant.

NEW YORK IMPROVED THORNLESS. The leading market variety; strong and productive in habit. The fruits are deep purple, large, smooth, entirely free from thorns, and the flesh is white, tender, and delicately flavored. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 50 cts.

BLACK PEKIN. Very early and productive, with large, smooth and glossy jet-black fruits. The flesh is white, fine-grained and good. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 50 cts.

CARDOON.

(Cardon.)

This vegetable is grown for the mid-ribs of the leaves, which are used for salads, soups and stews, and should be blanched like Celery. Sow seed in early spring where the plants are to stand, in drills three feet apart, and thin the plants to stand a foot apart. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 35 cts.

CHICORY.

(Cichorie.)

Chicory is cultivated chiefly for its roots, which are dried and used for mixing with coffee. The seed should be sown in early spring, in good, mellow soil, and in drills half an inch deep, and the roots cultivated like Carrots.

LARGE-ROOTED MAGDEBURG or COFFEE. The roots form the Chicory of commerce; the leaves, when blanched, make an excellent salad. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 30 cts.

WILDOOF. A plant much resembling Chicory; may be used like a salad, or boiled like a vegetable. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 30c.

COLLARDS.

(Blättersohl.)

This is a species of Cabbage which forms large, loose, open heads, and is very popular for "greens;" the leaves are used when the plants are quite young; at the south they grow luxuriantly all winter. Sow for succession from June until August, transplanting the seedlings into rows a foot apart, and give clean cultivation. Freezing only improves the flavor of the leaves. At the south the seed may be sown from January until May and from August until October. In different sections of the country Collards are known as "Cole," or "Colewort." Next to Kale this is the hardest species of Cabbage, and is very useful in warm countries where heading varieties cannot be grown. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

Collards.

Kale or Borecole.

(Kraussohl.)

Under this name are classed several species of the Cabbage family which do not form heads. Some of them have very tender leaves of delicate flavor, and all are quite hardy, and improved rather than injured by frost. Sow the seed in beds in April or May, and transplant the seedlings like Cabbage. They will grow in almost any soil, but both the flavor of the leaves and the yield is greatly improved by a rich one. An ounce of seed will sow about 300 feet of drill.

DWARF GERMAN GREENS. (Siberian Kale.) A standby everywhere for winter greens. The seed is generally sown broadcast, but can be sown in drills a foot apart in September, and the plants treated like Spinach; they will be ready for use early in September. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

DWARF CURLED GREEN SCOTCH. A dwarf, spreading variety, seldom exceeding 18 inches in height, but rounding out to a diameter of 3 feet under good cultivation. The leaves are bright green, tender, and elegantly curled. The variety is very hardy, and one of the best grown. Two weeks later than the preceding sort, but stands longer before going to seed. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

MOSSBACH. In height between the two preceding. Leaves bent upward; light yellow-green in color; very curled; white, narrow ribs; very showy. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts., lb. \$1.50.

EARLY MOSS-CURLED. A beautiful dwarf, compact form, ready for use quite early. The yellowish green leaves are moss-like, handsome, closely curled, and grow close to the ground. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cts., lb. \$1.

TALL CURLED GREEN SCOTCH. Plants usually hardy and productive, growing 2 feet or more in height, with recurved, spreading, deep green, curly leaves. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 90 cts.

Dwarf Curled Green Scotch.

Choice Vegetable Seeds.

SEA KALE. Grown for its bleached stems, which are prepared like asparagus. Sow in drills 1 inch deep and 2 feet apart; thin out to 6 inches in the rows; the following spring plant in hills 3 feet apart. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. \$1.

Kohlrabi.

(Kohlrabi.)

This Turnip-Rooted Cabbage is grown extensively in Europe for stock-feeding, and is steadily gaining favor in this country. The roots are very palatable when prepared for the table like Turnips, and when fed to cows give no unpleasant flavor to the milk. If the weather is favorable the seed should be sown in April, in rows 18 inches apart, and the seedlings thinned to stand a foot apart for White Giant, and 6 or 8 inches apart for other sorts; they are somewhat difficult to transplant. The stems swell into large bulbs just above the ground, and these are fit for use when 3 to 4 inches in diameter. For late crops, sow seed in June or July. An ounce of seed will produce about 3,000 plants.

EARLY WHITE VIENNA. The best and earliest market sort. The plants grow rapidly, have small foliage, and mature their fine, round, white bulbs quite early; the flesh is fine-grained, white, tender and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

EARLY PURPLE VIENNA. This variety differs from the above mainly in the color of its roots, which are bluish purple; in quality they are superior to those of many other sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

WHITE GIANT. A late, very large-growing sort, with immense bulbs, stems and leaves; the quality is very good, and the variety very profitable for fall crops and stock-feeding. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts.

Early White Vienna Short-Top.

CORN SALAD.

(Vammet Salat.)

The leaves of this plant are used during winter and spring as a substitute for Lettuce; they may also be cooked and used like Spinach. Sow the seed thickly in shallow drills in September, and firm the soil well down above it, if the weather be dry. The plants will require no culture beyond keeping them free from weeds; in northern climates they should be given a light covering of straw in winter. The richer the soil the finer the flavor of the leaves. An ounce of seed will sow a bed 20 feet square.

LARGE-SEEDED. The variety now most generally cultivated. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cts., lb. \$1.

DANDELION.

(Löwenzahn.)

This hardy little plant furnishes our earliest and most healthful crop of spring greens, and the roots when dried are of commercial value as a substitute for coffee. Sow the seeds as early as the weather will allow, in good, well-enriched soil, and in rows a foot apart; cover them only one-fourth of an inch deep, and firm the soil down above them. The plants should be thinned to stand 2 or 3 inches apart in the rows, that the roots may grow large and solid, thus saving much time in trimming them. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill; a pound will sow an acre.

FRENCH THICK-LEAVED. The best variety. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 40 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. \$1.50.

Denver Market Lettuce.

New York Cabbage Lettuce.

Blond Blackhead Lettuce.

Lettuce.

(Garten Salat.)

LETTUCE is one of the surest of all vegetables to grow, and its crisp, tender leaves may be enjoyed as a salad almost the year round, with little expense. Seed for the first outdoor crop is usually sown in hot-beds in February, and the seedlings transplanted to the garden in April, a foot apart, in rows 15 inches apart. For a succession of Lettuce until frost, sow seed in drills in the open ground at intervals of every two or three weeks, and thin the plants to stand 6 or 8 inches apart. For Lettuce that is to be wintered over outdoors for an early spring crop, sow seed of the Hardy Green Winter variety in a bed early in September, cover with a frame, and when the seedlings are large enough transplant them to shallow drills in a sheltered situation, and protect them with light litter of some kind as winter approaches. The drills must be drawn so that water will drain from them, or the plants cannot survive the winter. For plants to force in hot-beds from November until spring, sow seed in hot-beds in the fall, and cover up as winter approaches, until the plants are required for use. Or, the seed may be sown in hot-beds early in winter and the seedlings transplanted when large enough into fine and well-prepared garden soil. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill, and produce about 3,000 plants.

BECKERT'S GOLDEN CURLED. This is one of the very best Lettuces for early spring and summer crops, and is largely grown by our local market men. The plants grow very rapidly, resisting heat well, and forming immense, tender heads, of nicely curled, light yellow leaves, which are of the best quality, and remain tender a long time. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

BECKERT'S BROWN CURLED, or CHARTER. In habit of growth and size of heads this variety closely resembles the above, except in color. When grown under glass the leaves are a soft, greenish white, but grown in the open air they take quite a brownish cast, still, however, remaining very crisp and tender. A first-class and reliable Lettuce, both for forcing and open air culture. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

PERPIGNAN, or DEFIANCE. Of special value for summer use, as the plants stand for a long time without running to seed, or growing tough. The heads are very large and solid, frequently measuring from 7 to 8 inches across, and are crisp and tender, entirely free from all bitter taste, and delicately flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

Large Yellow Solid Head.

BLACK-SEEDED SIMPSON. A popular old variety, excellent both for forcing and open ground crops. The plants grow very rapidly, withstanding heat and drought unusually well, and forming large, bushy, light-colored stalks. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

SAUNDERS. A very desirable Cabbage Lettuce, remarkable for its earliness and rapidity of growth; it is well adapted for forcing, but is especially valuable for early outdoor crops. The heads are large and firm and endure heat well without seeding or growing tough; they are tender and good, with no bitter taste. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

BIG BOSTON. This, although similar to Boston Market in color, shape and general appearance, has heads twice as large and but a week later in maturing for use. The solidity and large size of the heads make them of great value for forcing and general crops. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

GRAND RAPIDS. A superb variety for forcing. Its beautiful appearance and superior quality secure for it the highest market prices, and the plants prove to be strong-growing and free from rot. The leaves are light, yellowish green, much crimped and frilled, grow straight upward, and seem to remain fresh and tender after exposure in market longer than those of any other sort. In some localities this has also proved to be very desirable for outdoor culture. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

CALIFORNIA CREAM BUTTER. The heads of this Lettuce are so solid that usually they must be cut before any seed-stalk is sent up. They are medium early, of good size, firm, crisp, tender and of tempting, creamy yellow color. One of the best summer-heading Lettuces, little affected by heat, either in color, growth or quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

HARDY GREEN WINTER. Very hardy, and better adapted for standing outdoor winter weather than any other sort grown. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

WHITE-SEEDED SIMPSON. This variety is extensively used for sowing broadcast very early in spring for a gathering Lettuce. The leaves are of a delicate light green, medium in size, very curly and well-flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

GOLDEN QUEEN. The small, solid heads of this variety contain more substance than many larger ones; they are formed very early, are a beautiful golden yellow, and very crisp, tender and juicy, with few useless outside leaves. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

LARGE YELLOW SOLID HEAD. Large-growing and sure-heading; crisp and of good flavor; one of the best market varieties. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 40 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

Black-Seeded Simpson Lettuce.

SPECKLED DUTCH BUTTER. The leaves of this variety are dotted with freckles of brownish red. The heads are sure-forming, slow seeding, and very superior in quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

ROYAL CABBAGE. Heads quite large, tender and crisp, extra good in quality, and attractive in appearance. Valuable for summer use, because it stands heat so well. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

NEW YORK CABBAGE. A very deep green Cabbage Lettuce, with unusually large, solid heads of superior flavor and crispness. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

BLONDE BLOCKHEAD. Prominent among the newer sorts as one of the best and handsomest. The heads are roundish oblong, golden yellow, crisp, tender and delicious. The plants stand summer heat long without seeding, and keep well in market without wilting. See illustration at top of page 18. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

DENVER MARKET. The leaves of this variety are beautifully wrinkled like those of Savoy Cabbage, and are easily distinguished by this characteristic. The large, solid heads are shaped like those of Hanson, but are more oblong, and of good, light green color; their flavor is remarkably fine and delicate, and they are formed quite early. Good both for forcing and early open air culture. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

BOSTON MARKET. Among Boston gardeners this is a favorite for forcing under glass. The small, compact heads are very crisp and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

ALL THE YEAR ROUND. So named because it may be grown with equal success at any season of the year. The heads are of medium size, very firm, close, crisp and very good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

HANSON. A well-known sort, the favorite for outdoor bedding. The plants are large and vigorous, and form immense heads as solid as in some of the earlier Cabbages, but much flatter; leaves green without, light yellow within; sweet, crisp and juicy. One of the best sorts grown. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

SALAMANDER. Noted for its heat-resisting power, and for this reason a favorite summer Lettuce. The heads are of good size, close and firm, with outer leaves bright green and inner ones white. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

Improved Hanson Lettuce

YELLOW-SEEDED BUTTER. Another good, heat-resisting summer Lettuce, with large dense heads. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

BLACK-SEEDED BUTTER. Somewhat like a Tennisball in the shape of its head, but larger. An old and well-known variety; largely grown. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

WHITE CABBAGE. Thick-growing and heat-enduring; well adapted for forcing or outdoor crops; heads very sure in formation, large, greenish white, good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

ST. LOUIS BUTTER. Very popular among market gardeners; heads large and solid, resisting heat for a long time without seeding or losing their crisp, tender quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

NEW PERFECTUAL. This variety is entirely distinct, not heading, but forming huge compact bushes. The leaf is a yellowish green and very tender. For private use it is especially adapted, as only one sowing is necessary for the whole season. It remains up to the time of seeding of just the same quality for eating as at any time before. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

BROWN DUTCH. A very hardy winter sort, with fine, solid, brownish heads of good size and flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

EARLY SUMMER. Early, attractive in appearance, and fine in every way. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

HARDHEAD. This new variety is already noted for many good qualities. The plants grow quite rapidly and form heads very early; the heads are very solid and beautifully colored, shading from brownish red on the outer leaves through golden yellow to a cream white center; they may be used from when they are 3 inches across until they run to seed, and never seem to lose their crispness or rich, buttery flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

Salamander.

STONE TENNISBALL. This is also known as the best forcing varieties, and good for outdoor crops, but should not be planted in summer, as the heat causes it to quickly run to seed. The heads are not large, but blanch readily to a fine color, and are crisp and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

SILVERBALL. Early and desirable on account of its beautiful color and long-standing quality; the heads are solid, crisp and silvery white. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

MARBLEHEAD MAMMOTH. Very large, heady, of really good quality; entirely free from coarseness or bitterness, and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

OAK-LEAVED. Quite distinct and odd in the shape of its leaves, which are shaped like those of an oak. The heads are small, close and firm, tender and well-flavored, and slow in forming seed. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

WHITE PARIS COS. The Cos Lettuce all require tying up like Endive in order to blanch them, but are so remarkably fine in flavor that they are well worth a little extra care. The heads are long and upright in growth, crisp, white and tender to a remarkable degree. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

TILTON'S WHITE STAR. A new sort of the Black-Seeded Simpson style, but seems to grow larger and more rapidly; the leaf is broader and thicker and top-filled. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts.

Oak-Leaved Lettuce.

Cos Lettuce.

Leek.

(Lauch.)

The Leek is generally considered superior

London Flag Leek.

to the Onion in flavor, and is much used for seasoning soups and boiling with meats. The plants are easily cultivated and very hardy, enduring the severest winter weather without protection. The seed should be sown in hot-beds in early spring, and the seedlings transplanted later to the open ground, eight inches apart, in rows from 12 to 15 inches apart. For a winter supply of this, sow seed in the open ground in early spring, and either thin the seedlings until they have room for development, or transplant them as above; the former method gives larger stalks sometime earlier than when the roots are transplanted. They should be stored like celery for winter. An ounce of seed will grow about 100 feet of drill.

MUSSEL BURG.

A hardy, popular sort, with broad-spreading leaves and very large stalks. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

LONDON FLAG. The variety most extensively cultivated. The stalks are large, and the leaves grow from their sides as in the Flag. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

ROVEN WINTER. The stalks or necks are very large, hardy, late-keeping, and lighter green than in other sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

ITALIAN GIANT. Stalks enormous, hardy, vigorous, mild and agreeable in flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

GIANT CAARENTAN. One of the best sorts. Stalks short, thick, hardy, mild-flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

MUSHROOM SPAWN.

(Champignonbrut.)

Fresh and delicious home-grown Mushrooms may be enjoyed by any gardener who has a cellar, pit, or dark room where the temperature can be kept at from 50 to 60 degrees, in which to grow them. On the location of the beds dig out soil to the depth of a foot, and spread on the bottom a layer of coarse manure. For the top soil mix one bushel of soil from an old pasture with two bushels of fresh horse manure, which has been forked over a number of times to spend some of its heat; this should be spread on in layers, and each one pounded down hard. The bed will become quite warm in a few days, and the temperature should be allowed to cool down until it reaches about 50 degrees; then holes about a foot apart should be made in the bed, and two or three pieces of spawn the size of walnuts pressed into each one, and firmly covered with soil. About ten days later, a coat of fresh loam should be spread over the bed; the mushrooms will make their appearance in about eight weeks, and will be produced abundantly for a month. When the crop is gathered, spread an inch of fresh soil over the bed, moisten it with warm water, and cover with hay or light litter for the second crop. Success with Mushrooms depends largely upon a uniform temperature.

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Montreal Market Muskmelon.

For description of this melon, see opposite page.

MUSTARD.

(Cenf.)

The young and tender leaves of the Mustard are greatly relished as salads, or when cooked like Spinach. The seed should be sown in shallow drills as early as the ground can be prepared in spring, and the leaves cut when several inches long.

BROWN. The leaves are tender and pungent in flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., lb. 50 cts.

YELLOW. Generally considered superior to other sorts in quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., lb. 50 cts.

MARTYNIA.

(Gemenhorn.)

The curiously pretty seed-pods of the Martynia are excellent for pickling, if gathered when tender and about half grown; they grow tough and woody with age. Sow the seed in May in rows 3 feet apart, and thin the plants to stand 2 feet apart in the rows. The plant is a strong-growing, hardy annual.

PROBOSCIDEA. The best variety. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts.

NASTURTIUM.

(Rapsiginer.)

The flowers and young leaves of the Nasturtium form a pleasant spicy salad, and the seed-pods are gathered when young and tender, for pickling; the latter have a strong, pungent flavor, much relished by some people. Plant the seeds in hills, 2 feet apart each way as soon as the ground becomes warm, and treat the plants like other hardy annuals.

Mushrooms.

TALL. Luxuriant in growth; plant where the vines will have some support, as beside a fence; or supply brush for peas. Pkt. 5 c., oz. 20 cts.

DWARF. Low-growing, and bushy, producing many plump pods. This variety requires no support. The flowers are beautiful and brightly colored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts.

Melons.

(Melonen.)

Although the melon is a tropical fruit or vegetable, and can be grown more easily and to greater perfection in warm climates and rich, sandy soil, than under other conditions, still under the colder skies of the north, and even on indifferent soils, which have been properly enriched, fine and luscious fruits can be grown. One of the sweetest melons I ever ate was grown in Michigan, 45° north latitude, and fruits of Cuban Queen, weighing 69 pounds each, have been grown on cold clay soil in northern Ohio. It is not well to plant melons near cucumbers, pumpkins, or other vegetables of this class, as the pollen from the flowers will mix, and the fruits of the melons thus be injured. This, and heavy rains at the time of ripening, will destroy the flavor of fruits from the finest stock.

MUSK-MELONS.

If, by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cts. per pound, for half pound and upward.

Musk-melon seeds should not be planted outdoors until all dangers from frost is over, and the ground has become warm and dry. The hills should be about 6 feet apart, and carefully prepared. Rich earth is far better for the young plants than manure, but if the latter must be used, see that it is well rotted. Plant from 6 to 12 seeds in a hill, and when the young seedlings are strong enough to resist the attacks of insects thin them, leaving three of the strongest in each hill. The vines should have clean cultivation until they cover the ground, and if they grow too rank, the tips of the shoots should be pinched off when the vines are about three inches long, thus causing them to set more fruits, and develop them to finer size. An ounce of seed will plant about 80 hills.

EXTRA EARLY HACKENSACK. A careful selection from the Hackensack, and with fruits much like the parents in shape and quality of the flesh, but ready for market ten days earlier; they are of good size, weighing from 5 to 10 pounds each. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

HACKENSACK, or TUEK'S CAP. This Musk-melon is grown more extensively, perhaps, than any other variety. The fruits grow to fine size, are roundish flat, irregularly ribbed and densely netted; the flesh is light green, thick, sweet and juicy; the vines are productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

EMERALD GEM. An extra early variety, with small, smooth-ribbed, dark green fruits; the flesh is thick and salmon-colored, granular, sweet and rich; very attractive to the eye when served on the table, as well as delicious to the taste; the vines bear heavily. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

PRINCESS, or PERFECTION. A notably fine variety, with fruits having flesh so thick and seed cavity so small that they seem almost solid. The rind is thin, tough, and sparingly netted; the flesh a rich salmon color, fine-grained, sugary and melting; the vines are strong-growing and productive; a good market and shipping melon, and also one of the best sorts for home gardens. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

BANQUET. A very promising new Musk-melon, said by many experienced growers to be the finest of the red-fleshed sorts; the fruits are of medium size, flattened at both ends, and beautifully netted; the flesh is a bright salmon color, uniformly thick, and ripens close up to the rind; sweet, juicy, and of the granular, melting character which always indicates a good melon. The illustration is reproduced from a photograph. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

MONTREAL MARKET. Well adapted to northern climates, and highly esteemed, and extensively grown around the city from which it takes its name. The melons are of fine size, with green, deeply ribbed and densely netted rind; the flesh is light green, thick, firm, sweet and delicious. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

CHICAGO MARKET. Grown very largely for the markets of the west, and there esteemed as the best of the Nutmeg race. The fruits ripen quite early, and are uniformly large and well-shaped; the flesh is thick, light green, and exceedingly good. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

MILLER'S CREAM, or OSAGE. This variety produces fine, attractive fruits, which sell quickly in market, and therefore, is a favorite among truckers. The fruits are large and round, with light green, netted skin and thick, sweet, salmon-colored flesh. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

THE COLUMBUS. Of good marketable size; skin bright glossy yellow when ripe. Deep green flesh; small seed cavity; quality excellent. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

CASABA, or PERSIAN. Large, oblong, oval melons, with thin, netted skin and fine-grained, yellowish green flesh, of rich, melting substance. One of the best sorts grown. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

PROLIFIC NUTMEG. A very productive sort, with fruits small, but having rich and delightful flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

Emerald Gem.

A Fine List of Melons.

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SURPRISE. A distinct and attractive variety, and one of the finest in cultivation, when well grown. The melons ripen early, and have a thin, cream-colored rind, and thick, sweet, salmon-colored flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

ACME, or BALTIMORE MARKET. Noted in southern and eastern markets as a very fine shipping melon, of extra and uniformly good quality. The vines bear abundantly, and the fruits are of medium size, oval, lightly ribbed; flesh light green, rich and juicy. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

CHAMPION MARKET. Handsome, early-ripening fruits, uniformly large and globular, averaging six pounds each; they keep and ship remarkably well, owing to the thin but tough rind, and the solidity of the thick, light green flesh, which is delicate, sugary and juicy. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

DELMONICO. Celebrated as a dessert melon, the rich, delightful, orange-pink flesh well deserving its fame. The fruits are large, oval, heavily netted, and thick-meated. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

GREEN CITRON. Round, deeply-netted melons of medium size; flesh thick, light green, sweet and delicate. One of the best green-fleshed varieties. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

BIRD CANTALOUPE. The unusually large size of this Musk-melon creates a considerable demand for it; it is of very fair quality, and ripen several days earlier than Bay View and Golden Netted Gem. The vines produce heavy crops of fruit. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

SHUMWAY'S GIANT. Very large melons, and very uniform in size, whole fields of them averaging from 18 to 20 pounds. The flesh is very thick, sweet and salmon-colored. It is an excellent shipper. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

WINTER PINEAPPLE. Remarkable for its good keeping qualities. The flesh remains sweet, sound and very good until quite late in winter. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

BAY VIEW. Very large, early-ripening, oblong Musk-melon; flesh green, sweet and spicy; vines are vigorous, fruiting abundantly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

SKILLMAN NETTED. Early roundish oval fruits, with deep green, sweet, perfumed flesh. Pkt. 5 c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 60c.

We will quote you special prices on large quantities of Musk-melon Seed. Write for prices early. Good crops of fine Musk-melon cannot be grown without good seed. Our strains of Musk-melon seed are unsurpassed by any.

ROUND YELLOW CANTALOUPE. Vines productive, ripening, their melons very early. The latter are of good size, and their red-orange flesh is delicate and sugary. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

WATER-MELONS.

(Wassermelonen.)

THE culture of Water-melons differs from that of Musk-melons mainly in that the hills should be wider apart, from 8 to 10 feet, according to the variety grown. An effort should be made to secure good, strong vines early in the season, and this can best be done by taking care that the hills are large, mellow and well-drained, with tie manure placed so that they will not dry out quickly under hot suns. All possible protection from insects should be given the young plants, and their growth may be hastened still further by frequent applications of liquid manure. As a protection from insects, netting is frequently used, and also dry ashes or coal dust sprinkled over the leaves when wet. Plant the seeds thickly, and thin the plants to four of the strongest in each hill. An ounce of seed will plant about 60 hills.

DARK ICING, or ICE RIND. This is one of the sweetest and most delicious of all Water-melons. The fruits are of medium size, roundish oblong, with thin, dark green, slightly mottled rind; flesh bright red, firm, delicate, with rich and very abundant juice and very fine flavor; vines are productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

KOLB GEM. Valuable chiefly as a market and shipping melon, for which purpose it is grown extensively. The vines are unusually prolific; fruits very large, roundish oval, with rind as hard and tough as in a winter squash, and lightly striped with light and dark green; flesh bright red, somewhat coarse, but tender, and fairly good; one of the best keeping melons. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

SEMINOLE. First-class in every way. The vines produce melons of different colors—gray and light green—yet just alike in every other respect; enormously productive, and ripen their large, delicious fruits very early; the rind is very thin, and the bright crimson, delicate, sugary flesh ripens evenly out to it. The handsome appearance of the beautifully proportioned, oblong fruits helps them to sell well in market. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

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Champion Market.

Green and Gold.

flesh and small seeds. The variety is well adapted to cold climates, and is one of the best for private gardens. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

BLACK SPANISH. A standard early variety, with round, dark green fruits of medium size, and melting, sugary red flesh. The vines are rather small, and may be planted closer than some kinds. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

PRIDE OF GEORGIA. A southern favorite, and a good shipper. Fruits large, oval, ridged like an orange; flesh tender, juicy, sweet and delicate. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MOUNTAIN SWEET. One of the best sorts for the home garden. Fruits large, roundish oval, with dark green skin; flesh red, solid, juicy and delicious. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

PHINNEY EARLY. Very early, and valuable for culture in the north. Vines hardy, vigorous and productive; fruits of medium size, oblong, marbled with light and dark green; flesh red, sweet and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

BOSS. A large, handsome, oblong melon, with dark green skin and rich, melting, deep scarlet flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

FLORIDA FAVORITE. Fruits large, oblong, with sweet red flesh. Early, and an excellent melon for home garden, but not generally considered a good shipper, and good only for markets that are close at hand. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

SCALY BARK. Noted for its record as a shipping melon. Rind thin, tough and strong; flesh light crimson, tender and good; very profitable and popular for market. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

VICK'S EARLY. Fruits long and smooth, small, very early, flesh bright pink, solid and sweet. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

GREEN and GOLD. So named because of the beautiful contrast between its dark green skin and bright golden orange flesh. The vines bear heavy crops of good-sized fruits, which weigh from 25 to 45 pounds, have very thin rind, and ripen very early throughout, having no trace of a white core in the center; the flesh is granular and sugary. A good and beautiful dessert melon. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

RUBY GOLD. A seedling from Green and Gold; quite handsome in the coloring of its flesh, which is golden yellow, striped and blotched with bright red and pink; it ripens close to the thin rind, is solid to the center, having no core or stringiness whatever, and is tender, very juicy, rich, sweet and melting. The fruits are sometimes more than 2 feet long, and weigh from 40 to 60 pounds. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

GRAY MONARCH. The largest melon grown, and one of the very best in quality. The light green or grayish oblong fruits frequently weigh from 60 to 70 pounds, and the deep red, delicate flesh ripens close to the thin, hard rind. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

DIXIE. Of southern origin, and a great favorite for shipping. The vines are vigorous, hardy and fruitful; the fruits large, oblong, striped, very early in ripening, and long-keeping; rind thin and tough; flesh bright scarlet, entirely free from stringiness; sweet and good, ripening evenly throughout. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

VOLGA. A small, round, late, Russian melon, peculiar and attractive in appearance, and noted for the superior quality of flesh. The fruits are pale green, have a thin, tough rind, so

Pride of Georgia.

COLORADO PRESERVING. More productive than the common preserving citron and considerably larger. The flesh is pale green, firm, and solid; seeds few. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 70 cts.

RED-SEEDED CITRON. Grows uniformly round and smooth, striped and marbled with light green. Flesh white and solid; seeds red. It should be borne in mind that this and the preceding are not used for eating in the raw state, but for preserves, pickles, etc., in which form they are considered delicious. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., ¼ lb. 25 cts., lb. 60 cts.

Gray Monarch.

WRITE US FOR SPECIAL
PRICES ON MELON
SEEDS IN LARGE QUANTITY.

Onion.

(Zwiebel.)

Good Onion Seed is of the greatest importance. Ours is all grown from carefully selected stock.

Write early to us for special prices on five pounds of seed and upward; we want to serve you.

ONIONS thrive best on a rich, deep, loamy soil, and, unlike most other crops, may be grown successfully for a number of years on the same ground. For sets, the seed should be sown very thickly in drills as early as possible in spring. In summer, as soon as the tops die down, harvest the roots and store them in a dry, cool place, spreading them in thin layers. Early in the following spring replant them 4 inches apart, in small drills 12 inches apart, and they will form fine, large roots early in the season. Large Onions may also be grown from seed the first season, if the land is strong and well manured, the seed sown thinly in drills a foot apart, and the seedlings thinned to stand 3 or 4 inches apart in the drills: they must be well cultivated and kept free from weeds. For this purpose Yellow Danvers and Red Weathersfield are generally preferred. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill. Five pounds per acre will be required for large Onions: for sets, 30 pounds.

✓ YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS.

We have a very superior stock of this celebrated variety, which is one of the most popular and profitable that can be grown for market. The roots are of fine shape and grow to good size, while the yield per acre is enormous, averaging from 600 to 800 bushels on good soil and with good culture. The bulbs have a thin, yellow skin and mild, fine-grained, white flesh; they grow to fine size the first year, and keep unusually well. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts., lb. \$1.60.

✓ FLAT YELLOW DANVERS.

This is also an excellent market Onion, with many of the good points so marked in Danvers Yellow Globe. The bulbs grow to good size, ripen early, are mild in flavor, and keep well. They are flatter than the other Danvers, but have the same yellowish skin and attractive appearance, and are almost as popular in markets where buyers have become acquainted with the variety. The yield per acre is quite large, and the bulbs bottom well. Pkt. 5c., oz. 20c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 45c., lb. \$1.50.

✓ SOUTHPORT WHITE GLOBE.

This is a very large and showy, globular, white Onion, which sells quickly in market. The bulbs grow quite rapidly, and if the seed is sown early, good-sized roots, suitable for pulling and marketing in a green state, are soon formed. They are mild-flavored, keep well, and the yield is good. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.25.

✓ WHITE PORTUGAL OR SILVERSKIN.

This is the variety so largely grown for white Onion sets, and known in some localities as "Philadelphia White." The bulbs are large and fine in appearance, with silvery white skin, and sweet, tender white flesh; they do not keep so well as the darker-skinned sorts, but are milder flavored, and excellent for family use, early winter markets, and for pickling when young. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.25.

✓ YELLOW DUTCH STRASBURG.

Bulbs flat, and attain a good size; yellow color, white flesh, mild flavor, and one of the best keepers. Grown very largely for sets. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts., lb. \$1.60.

✓ RED WETHERSFIELD.

The standard red variety, and one of the most productive and long-keeping Onions. The bulbs are deep purplish red, large, flat, strong-flavored, and grow to fine marketable size the first year from seed. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

✓ SPANISH KING, or PRIZETAKER.

This is the fancy imported Onion which attracts so much attention on fruit stands in our large cities. The bulbs are very large, round and handsome, have a rich yellow skin, and mild, sweet, pure white flesh; they are quite free from stiff necks, bottom well, and the imported Onions quite as fine as those raised in this country. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

Spanish King, or Prizetaker.

Southport White Globe.

yield is enormous. It is claimed that Prizetaker Onions quite as fine as those imported can be grown here. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.50.

✓ **SOUTHPORT YELLOW GLOBE.** Similar to Southport White Globe, save that it is light straw-colored. Pat. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

Silver Skin Onion.

SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE. As large and handsome as any of the Southport Onions; skin a deep, rich red. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

EXTRA EARLY RED. One of the best sorts from which to grow large Onions the first season. Bulbs of medium size, flat, deep red, ready for use 2 weeks earlier than Red Wethersfield; good-keeping, excellent for early market use. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50 cts., lb. \$1.75.

EXTRA EARLY RED GLOBE. A new Onion of the famous Southport type, as handsome, and much earlier, maturing with Early Flat Red and Danvers. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 55 cts., lb. \$1.90.

BARLETTA. An extra-early, small, pure white Onion, with delicate, silvery skin, and firm, mild, pleasant flesh. It is extensively grown for pickling. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.75.

MAMMOTH WHITE GARGANUS, or SILVER KING. This is the largest of the white Italian Onions, and will be found of especial value in the family garden. The bulbs grow to enormous size in one season from the seed, keep well, are mild-flavored, and very attractive in appearance. The variety deserves very wide cultivation. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.75.

QUEEN. Another favorite pickling Onion. Small, very early, pure white, mild-flavored and a good keeper. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.75.

BERMUDA WHITE. The Bermudas are always the earliest Onions in market, and are grown extensively and very successfully in the south. Bermuda White is large, roundish flat, handsome in appearance, and has fine-grained flesh of good quality and mild flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.25.

BERMUDA RED. Similar to the above, but with deep red skin. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.25.

GIANT RED ROCCA. An immense globular Onion, with light, reddish brown skin. It grows quite large from seed the first season, but for full-sized hulbs, plant out small sets from seed sown the spring before. It well repays careful cultivation. The flesh is mild and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60 cts., lb. \$2.

EL PASO, or GIANT WHITE TRIPOLI. A large Mexican Onion, frequently measuring 6 inches across and weighing from 2 to 3 pounds; shape and quality are good, and the flesh pure white, but it is a poor keeper. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts., lb. \$2.75.

VICTORIA ONIONS.

This is a distinct new race of Onions from Sardinia, so large, and handsome, and promising thus far, that we recommend it to all who grow Onions for market.

RED VICTORIA. Very large, weighing from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 pounds, under good cultivation, the first year from seed. Skin deep blood-red; flesh white or light rose-color, mild and sweet; very handsome. Pkt. 10c., oz. 30c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90c., lb. \$3.25.

WHITE VICTORIA. Bulbs large and globular, as in the above; flesh pure white. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.25.

ONION SETS.

Where the seasons are so short that large Onions cannot readily be grown from seed the first season, these are indispensable. Plant about 4 inches apart, in drills 12 inches apart, lightly covered, and well cultivated. Prices variable.

If sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 10 cts. per quart.

WHITE ONION SETS. For early use. Qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.50, bus. \$5.

YELLOW DANVERS. Qt. 18 cts., pk. \$1.25, bus. \$4.

OKRA.

(Cafra.)

The tender young pods of this plant are used for seasoning soups and stews, and may also be prepared like Asparagus; they are sometimes dried for winter use. Sow the seeds thickly, in rich soil, about the middle of May, in drills 3 feet apart, and cover the seeds an inch deep. Thin the young plants to stand 10 inches a part, hoe them often, and earth up the stems a little in cultivation for support. An ounce of seed will plant 100 hills.

IMPROVED DWARF. A distinct variety, growing about 14 inches high, and producing twice as many pods as the taller sorts. The pods are smooth, tender and well-flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

WHITE VELVET. The pods of this variety are pure white, and perfectly round and smooth, with no square edges or disagreeable prickles; they are also larger than in most other sorts, and produced abundantly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 75 cts.

Dwarf Extra Curled Parsley.

above and paler beneath. One of the best sorts for garnishing. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts.

CHAMPION MOSS-CURLED. Leaves bright green, finely cut and beautifully curled. The plants are not as dwarf as preceding, and the sprays are of good length. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts.

EMERALD. Leaves a deeper green than in any other sort; curly and deeply cut. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts.

PLAIN-LEAVED. The leaves of this variety are not so prettily as other sorts, but are better for flavoring, and the plant is hardier. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cts.

White Velvet Okra.

PARSLEY.

(Pterisfilix.)

The leaves of most sorts of Parsley are beautifully curled and quite useful for garnishing dishes; all sorts are valuable for flavoring soups and similar dishes. The seeds germinate slowly, and should be sown as early in spring as the ground can be prepared, in drills about 14 inches apart, and covered about half an inch deep; the plants should be thinned to stand 6 or 8 inches apart. If desired for winter use, some plants should be removed to a light cellar, and treated as for open-air culture in fall. In the middle and southern states the plants may be covered lightly with straw, and will give tender, fresh young leaves all winter. An ounce of seed will sow about 150 feet of drill.

DWARF EXTRA CURLED. A dwarf variety, with finely curled leaves, bright green and the sprays are of good length. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40 cts.

Extra-Early Sunol.

American Wonder Peas.

Peas.

(Crbsen.)

ALL smooth-seeded sorts of Peas may be planted as early in spring as the soil can be prepared for them, for they are very hardy and will endure quite a low temperature both before and after sprouting. By sowing for the first crop as early as is practicable, and for succession at intervals of about two weeks until the first of June, a good supply of this delicious vegetable may be enjoyed through the greater part of the summer. Late sowings, however, do not yield so well as early ones, because the hot and dry weather is unfavorable to the development of the plants. The seed should be sown in drills about 3 inches deep and from 2 to 4 feet apart, according to the variety, taller sorts requiring more room than dwarf ones. Dwarf Peas require a very rich soil, while tall ones thrive best in rather thin ground, which does not stimulate too luxuriant growth in the vines to the detriment of the pods. The latter are frequently sown in double rows, with the brush, or support of some kind, between them. Wrinkled Peas are not so hardy as the smooth sorts, and should not be sown quite as early, but are superior to them in quality, more delicate in flavor, and remain longer in season. One quart of seed will plant about 125 feet of drill.

For Peas to be sent by mail, add postage, at the rate 15 cents per quart, to prices given.

Wrinkled varieties are marked with a star (*).

EXTRA-EARLY PEAS, MEDIUM AND DWARF SORTS.

✓ **ALASKA.** The earliest variety in cultivation, and very productive; about 75 per cent. of the pods can be gathered at the first picking. Vines 2 feet high; pods a trifle smaller than in other early sorts, but well filled with plump, excellent, dark green Peas. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.50.

✓ **EXTRA-EARLY SUNOL.** This is the result of many years' propagation, and for earliness and productiveness we consider it at the head of all this class of Peas. Very uniform in growth and ripening, and free from runners or roguers. Vines vigorous, sometimes throwing out laterals at the surface of the ground, yielding from 3 to 7 pods of good size and shape, containing from 5 to 8 Peas each, of extra good flavor. Height about 2½ feet; in maturity similar to the preceding. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

✓ **CARTER'S PREMIUM GEM.** A very early and superior dwarf, wrinkled Pea, with vines well branched and from 12 to 15 inches high; pods very abundant and larger than in Little Gem. Peas very tender, sweet and good. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

✓ **FIRST AND BEST.** Early, prolific and uniform in ripening. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.50.

✓ **AMERICAN WONDER.** The earliest of the wrinkled Peas, and unsurpassed in flavor, quality and productiveness. Seed planted in June will give good Peas in 30 days. Vines dwarf and strong, from 10 to 12 inches high; pods long and well filled. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

✓ **BLUE PETER.** Ten inches. A variety of note and value. The vines are productive and very dwarf, requiring no brush; pods long and handsome; Peas large, dark green, turning blue when ripe; very sweet. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.75.

✓ **LAXTON'S ALPHA.** Three feet. A favorite among the older early sorts, and still valuable on account of its productiveness and its very sweet Peas. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

✓ **NOTT'S EXCELSIOR.** Robust and vigorous in growth, inclined to throw out laterals from the base of the stock; producing in profusion long, handsome pods closely packed with large Peas of fine flavor; more vigorous and prolific, with larger pods and more Peas, than either American Wonder or Premium Gem; sure to be very popular when generally known; seed green and wrinkled. Genuine stock of this Pea very limited; height 12 inches. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.75.

✓ **WILLIAM HURST.** Resembling somewhat American Wonder in habit and growth, but more hardy and vigorous, bearing in profusion long, curved, handsome pods, well filled with Peas of fine flavor. Seed light green, nearly white and wrinkled; height, 12 inches. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$2.25.

Telephone Pea.

THE STANLEY. A very fine medium early Pea, with well-filled pods, large as the Stratagem. A heavy cropper, with dwarf, stocky vines, which need no bushing; full grown pods often measure 4 inches in length by 2 in circumference. They mature quite early and uniformly, so that the whole crop can almost be gathered at one picking; quality sweet and delicious; 1½ feet. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.00.

HORSFORD'S MARKET-GARDEN. Twenty inches. A cross between Alpha and American Wonder, and a medium early variety. The vines are very stocky and branching, and require no support; the Peas are of the very best quality. Sow the seed thinly. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 13 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

INTERMEDIATE AND LATE SORTS.

McLEAN'S ADVANCER. A second-early English variety, extensively grown and much valued for home use, canning and market. The vines are very fruitful and about 2½ feet high; pods long, broad, fine in appearance, and well filled with plump, tender Peas of exceedingly good flavor. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

HEROINE. A new and valuable second-early sort, with vines 2½ feet high, bearing a profusion of long, large, pointed pods, which contain 8 or 9 large Peas of the very best quality. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.

SHROPSHIRE HERO. New; of English origin; medium early and a very heavy cropper. Vines 2½ feet high; pods long, closely packed with large sweet Peas, which remain tender for a long while. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.25.

PRINCE OF WALES. Hardy, vigorous and upright in habit; pods produced abundantly in pairs near the top of the vines. Flavor of the Peas of first quality; height 2½ feet; seed white, wrinkled and flattened. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

DWARF CRAMPION. A first-class variety, very healthy and vigorous. A great favorite with Long Island market gardeners; pods and Peas large, very sweet and rich; less liable to mildew than most sorts, and well adapted for planting in midsummer. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.

LONG ISLAND MAMMOTH. Another favorite Long Island variety; pods large size, and well filled with Peas of very good quality. An excellent cropper, earlier than Champion of England; quality very good; height 3¼ feet. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

JUNO. One of the best new wrinkled Peas for medium-early or main crops. The thick, straight pods are borne in pairs, and contain from 7 to 9 sugary and delicious, dark green Peas; the vines are strong-growing and 2½ feet high. Pkt. 10c, pt. 25c, qt. 40c.

PRIDE OF THE MARKET. A good and wonderfully productive second-early or main-crop variety, with large, handsome pods, and Peas of splendid quality; vines 2½ feet high. Pkt. 10c, pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.25.

EVERBEARING. Medium early; vines 18 inches high; branching, productive, bearing a long while; pods long and Peas large. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

STRATAGEM. A late English variety, with very large, showy pods containing about 10 large Peas. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$2.

Peas of excellent quality; vines 2 feet high.

TELEPHONE. Pods and peas very large and showy, the latter being very sweet and rich; vines 3½ feet high, often bearing 18 or 20 pods apiece. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15c, qt. 30c, pk. \$1.75.

CHAMPION OF ENGLAND. Four feet. A well-known standard variety, similar to the Marrowfat in vigor of vine and general habit. The Peas mature late, and are notably fine in flavor. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.60.

BLACK-EYED MARROWFAT. Four feet. Vines hardy, luxuriant and productive; pods and Peas quite large. One of the best Peas of its class. Pt. 10c, qt. 20c, pk. \$1.25.

WHITE MARROWFAT. Four and a-half feet. This variety, like the above, should be sown thinly, as it requires considerable space and strong bushing. It should be planted on thin, unmanured soil. One of the best sorts for summer use, and very extensively cultivated for main or late crops. Pkt. 10 cts., qt. 20 cts., pk. \$1.25.

PEAS WITH EDIBLE PODS.

MELTING SUGAR. A new variety, with large, straight, fine-flavored pods, produced in great abundance. The vines grow from 3 to 4 feet tall. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 18 cts., qt. 35 cts., pk. \$2.

TALL GRAY SUGAR. Vines about 5 feet high; pods and peas very sweet and tender. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

DWARF GRAY SUGAR. Much like the above, except in length of vine. Pkt. 10 cts., pt. 15 cts., qt. 30 cts., pk. \$1.75.

PARSNIPS. (Pastinaca.)

Aside from its value as a table vegetable, the Parsnip also furnishes a healthful and nourishing food for stock, and is especially valued for this purpose by dairymen. Sow the seed in drills 15 inches apart, as early as possible in spring, and thin the plants until they are 5 or 6 inches apart in the rows. The roots are improved by frost, and only enough for winter use need be taken up in the fall, leaving the rest in the ground until spring, to be dug up as required. By running a plow, such as is used for breaking sod, along one side of the rows, field crops of Parsnips will be thrown out so that they can be harvested easily. Deep, rich, sandy soil is best suited to the culture of Parsnips, but on any deep, rich, mellow soil the yield is good per acre, and the roots will be smooth and large if no fresh manure is used; this tends to make them coarse-grained and misshapen. An ounce of seed will sow 150 feet of drill: five pounds will sow an acre.

IMPROVED HOLLOW CROWN. The variety most widely cultivated. The roots are tender and sweet, and their yield per acre is heavy. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10c, ½ lb. 25c, lb. 75c.

Improved Hollow Crown Parsnips.

Peppers.

(Peffer.)

Sow seed in hot-bed early in April, and transplant the seedlings to rich, warm, mellow soil as soon as the weather has become warm and settled, setting them about 2 feet apart in drills 3 feet apart. Seed may be sown later in the open ground, when all danger from frost is over, and thinned to the distance given above. The young green pods of Peppers are useful in making all sorts of pickles, and some of the plants when covered with small, ripe, scarlet pods are very ornamental. An ounce of seed will produce 2,000 plants.

LARGE BELL, or BULL-NOSE. A widely grown, standard old variety, with very large, thick pods. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

RUBY KING. Beautiful, bright red pods, about 5 inches long and 3 or 4 inches thick; mild and pleasant in flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

IMPROVED LONG RED. Pods abundant, bright red, long, sharp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

CARDINAL. New, and worthy of cultivation simply for its beauty. The pods are long, curved and tapering, 2 inches thick at the stem end; the flavor is sweet and mild. Pkt. 5c. oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

CELESTIAL. Pretty, conical pods, 2 or 3 inches long, thickly covering the round, branching plants. When young they are a delicate, creamy yellow, changing as they ripen to bright, vivid scarlet, so that a plant full of fruit shows beautiful color contrasts. The pods are borne abundantly from early in the season until frost; the flavor is sharp, but not disagreeable. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

KALEIDOSCOPE. As beautiful in every way as Celestial, but entirely different from it in habit of growth and coloring of the pods, and superior to it in many ways. The long, wavy branches droop with their weight of pods, which are small, rounded, and of many colors, changing from cream-color in the youngest ones through canary-yellow, orange, rose and pink, to deep, luminous scarlet in the ripe pods. The plants grow luxuriantly in pots or in the garden, and seem to be always covered with pods in all stages of growth; their flavor is clear and sharp,

New Celestial.

Improved Long Red.

and they are as useful in all ways as other Peppers. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

PROOF GLANT. Pods of uniformly very large size, from 8 to 9 inches long, very thick, and moderately sharp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

GOLDEN DAWN. Plants of this variety are quite dwarf and very fruitful; the pods are of medium size, inversely bell-shaped, rich, golden yellow, very thick, sweet and mild. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

OXHEART. A small, heart-shaped Pepper of medium size; excellent for pickles. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

SWEET MOUNTAIN. An early fruiting sort, with enormous, mild-flavored pods, bright red when ripe, tender and sweet when young. They are much used for mango-making, and are frequently sliced raw, when

green and tender, for mixing with salads. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90c.
GOLDEN BELL. Pods large, yellow; similar to Large Bell in shape, but milder flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

CREOLE. Small red pods, no larger than a Marrowfat Pea; they are used in the manufacture of Tobacco Sauce. Pkt. 5 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 30c., lb. 90c.

LONG RED CAYENNE. Pods long, slender, bright red, very sharp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

LONG YELLOW CAYENNE. Pods yellow, similar to the above. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

RED CHILI. Much used for making pepper-sauce. Pods small, conical, scarlet, pungent; plants very fruitful. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

RED CLUSTER. Similar to Chili, but with smaller leaves and fruits. The pods are thin, coral red, sharp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

CHERRY RED. Pods small, round, bright red; plants prolific and very ornamental. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

CHERRY YELLOW. Identical with Cherry Red, except in color. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts.

ROQUETTE.

The tender young leaves of this plant are used for salads. The flowers, which open in May and June, have very much the odor of orange blossoms. The seed should be sown in rows early in spring and the plants thinned to stand 8 or 10 inches apart. If kept well hoed and watered, the leaves will be only pleasantly tart. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 40 cts.

The Best Seed Potatoes.

NORTHERN-GROWN.

(Ratoffel.)

Our Potatoes are all choice northern grown stock, grown specially for seed. We send out no Potatoes in spring before danger from frost is passed.

All varieties sent free by mail at 20 cents per pound, except where otherwise noted.

Prices here quoted are based on present value, and are subject to variations without notice.

EARLY OHIO. A leading and favorite variety; tubers rough in the skin; nearly round, and quite distinct in appearance; cook dry and mealy. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

BEAUTY OF HEBRON. One of the most desirable sorts in cultivation; it ripens a week earlier than Early Rose; is highly productive, a good keeper, and of the best quality; skin and flesh white. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.60.

EARLY PURITAN. Skin and flesh very white; cooks dry and floury, and is equal in quality to the Snowflake; its chief value lies, however, in its great productiveness; ripens with the Early Rose. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

EARLY ROSE. The peerer of all the improved varieties, and still highly esteemed. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.60.

RURAL NEW-YORKER NO. 2. Very large, roundish oblong, and unusually smooth; few and shallow eyes; skin and flesh white; of superior quality. A large yielder, and not subject to rot. Pk. 40 cts., bus. \$1.50.

QUEEN OF ROSES. As its name implies, this Potato is of the Rose family. Tubers oval-oblong, somewhat flattened, with few eyes, set almost even with the surface; skin smooth, fair, slightly netted; ripens with Early Rose. The tubers are large and numerous, growing closely about the base of the stalk; quality of the very best—cooks dry and mealy. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.75.

OHIO JUNIOR. Almost identical with Early Ohio (from which variety it is probably a chance seedling) in form, habit of growth, and marking of tubers; it is extra early, and an excellent keeper. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

EARLY MARKET. Especially recommended for early marketing, being extra early and of fine quality, cooking well as soon as it attains marketable size. The tubers are medium to large, and light pink or flesh color, with the specks peculiar to the Ohio class. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

REEVES' ROSE. Originated from a seed ball of the Early Rose. It is medium early, very productive, and grows to a large size; of excellent quality. Pk. 40 cts., bus. \$1.50.

KING OF ROSES. We have thoroughly tested this new seedling, and find it better than any other of the Rose family; hence we name it "King of Roses." It is the heaviest yielder of its class. Pk. 60 cts., bus. \$2.

EARLY SUNRISE. Tubers large and oblong; flesh white, very fine grained, and dry when cooked; very early and productive. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.60.

CROWN JEWEL. A white-skinned seedling of Early Ohio, resembling Beauty of Hebron. It is claimed to be extra early; it is very productive, and one of the best flavored sorts when cooked, being dry, white and mealy, and cooking evenly throughout. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

CLARK'S No. 1. Similar to Early Rose, but more productive. The tubers cook dry and mealy, and the quality is good. They are of good and uniform size, smooth in appearance, ready for use early, and keep well. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.60.

VERMONT. Similar to Early Rose, but harder, and not quite so early as that variety. It has been much praised wherever grown for its productiveness, fine size, and good quality. One of the best second early Potatoes. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

AMERICAN WONDER. This Potato is said to be very nearly blight and rot proof. The vines are strong and branching, with

a mass of white blossoms; tubers large, oblong, white, with few and shallow eyes, and having the rich, sweet flavor of Snowflake; excellent for baking or boiling. The tubers keep well until late, are free from all lumpiness when cooked, and their fine appearance causes them to sell well in market. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.75.

IRISH COBBLER. An Irish shoemaker was found to have a variety, not offered by seedsmen, producing plump, handsome Potatoes of good size and excellent quality, when the extra early sorts gardeners had were yet too small for market. Tubers beautiful creamy white, skin netted, which indicates superior quality. Each tuber is distinctly marked with small white specks peculiar to Early Ohio and some other few early sorts. In a trial of extra early sorts, Cobbler ripened earlier and even than all of them. Any one growing Potatoes for the early market will make no mistake in securing some of this extra, most valuable variety. Pk. 50 cts., bus. \$1.50, bu. \$5.

THE FREEMAN. This new extra early is a very valuable sort; the tuber is oval shaped, russet in color, flesh very white—both raw and cooked. Very fine grain and of best flavor. Extremely early and an excellent keeper. From the time the Potatoes are as large as a hen's egg until the new Potatoes come in the next year, they burst open when boiled with the jackets on, and appear snowy white and floury. They are also a first-class yielder. Pk. 60 cts., bu. \$2.

Write for special prices
on large quantities of
Potatoes.

A Field of Early Ohio Potatoes.

Japanese Pie Pumpkin.

Pumpkin.

(Kürbis.)

The Squash has largely superseded the Pumpkin for culinary purposes, and the latter is now grown principally for stock-feeding; yet some of the Pumpkins are so sweet, juicy and fine-grained that they will always be considered indispensable for pies and sauces. The vines require the same culture as that recommended for melons, but the seeds must be planted in hills much wider apart; frequently they are planted among corn. A pound of seed will plant from 200 to 300 hills.

LARGE CHEESE. A favorite for cooking, and also profitable for stock-feeding, as the vines are very fruitful and the pumpkins quite large. Both the rind and

Large Tours, or Mammoth Pumpkin.

the flesh are orange-colored, and the quality is excellent for cooking purposes. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

GOLDEN OBLONG. Grows from 15 to 20 inches long. The outer color is a rich golden orange; skin thin but tough, and almost as good a keeper for winter use as the hard shelled winter Squashes. Fruit, when young, dark green, changing into yellow as it ripens; flesh light yellow, rich and fine quality; excellent for pies. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

QUAKER PIE. A distinct variety. Shape nearly oval, tapering towards the ends. Color creamy white, both in the shell and the flesh. Flesh sweet and rich, and an excellent keeper. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

JAPANESE PIE. An odd variety, with unusually fine-grained, dry, sweet flesh, having much the taste of a sweet potato; it is very thick and nearly solid, the seed cavity being quite small. The seeds are curiously marked with characters which look like Japanese letters; the fruits ripen early, keep well, and are produced thickly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO. A medium-sized, pear-shaped Pumpkin, which keeps well in winter and is good for making pies, etc., and therefore popular with housekeepers. Skin and flesh creamy white, the latter of a pronounced sweet potato flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

CUSHAW. A well-known variety, resembling the Winter Crookneck Squash in form. The flesh is salmon-colored and of good flavor; the rind light cream color, striped with green; fruits very large; vines productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MAMMOTH KING. An enormous golden yellow Pumpkin, grown for stock-feeding. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MAMMOTH RED ETAMPES. A splendid variety for exhibition purposes. The Pumpkins are immense, and the rind bright, glossy red. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

CONNECTICUT FIELD. The common field Pumpkin, grown for stock-feeding. Lb. 35 cts.

RHUBARB, OR PIE PLANT.

(Rhubarber.)

The thick, succulent leaf-stems of the Rhubarb have a juicy, fruit-like acid taste, and when young and tender are used like fruit for making pies and sauces. Coming, as they do, very early in spring, they are a very acceptable substitute for fruit. Sow the seed early, and when the plants are large enough, thin them to 4 or 5 inches apart; the next spring or fall transplant them three feet apart each way in deep, rich soil. For forcing, take up some large roots and place them in some dark corner of the cellar or greenhouse.

Tennessee Sweet Potato Pumpkin.

LINNEUS. An early, tender sort; the best for general use, and very largely used. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts.

VICTORIA. Late; stalks very thick and large; useful especially to prolong the season. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts.

Mammoth King Pumpkin.

SORREL.

(Sauerampfer.)

In some localities the leaves of the Sorrel are popular for salads; they may also be prepared like spinach. The seed should be sown early in spring, and the plants cultivated like beets; the crop will stand for a number of years.

BROAD-LEAVED. The best variety. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 25 cts.

SALSIFY.

(Bockfäbort.)

This vegetable was given its common name of Oyster Plant, because when cooked the roots have something of the flavor and odor of oysters. They may be boiled, used in soups, or grated and fried as fritters. The culture is the same as for parsnips and carrots. The roots are perfectly hardy, and may be left in the ground all winter, but should be dug early in spring, as the quality deteriorates rapidly with the second growth. A quantity of roots for winter use may be stored in a pit or in sand or damp earth in a cellar. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill.

NEW MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLAND. This variety is a great improvement on the French sort generally cultivated. The roots are twice as large, long, smooth, tender and well-flavored, resembling fair-sized parsnips. We offer seed of only this one variety, believing it to be superior to all others. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 20 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 60 cts.

Large Cheese Pumpkin.

Early Deep Red Turnip.

Eldorado.

Rapid Forcing, or Rosy Gem.

Early Scarlet Globe.

Radish.

Refig.

IN ORDER to be crisp and tender, Radish roots must grow quickly; whenever growth is checked by drouth or cold weather they become tough and pithy. A rich, light, sandy soil suits them best. For the forcing crop, sow seed in hot-beds in rows 5 or 6 inches apart, and thin the plants as the ground becomes warm. Seed of winter varieties should be sown in midsummer. Summer varieties are best adapted for general crop. An ounce of seed will sow about 100 feet of drill.

EARLY OR FORCING RADISHES.

- EARLY SCARLET GLOBE.** Beautiful scarlet roots which stand a great degree of heat, and are early, crisp, tender and mild; tops small. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- EARLY DEEP SCARLET TURNIP.** Roots flatter than Early Scarlet Globe; skin deep scarlet; flesh sweet, tender, mild and crisp; quick-growing, early variety; tops small. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- EARLY DARK BLOOD-RED TURNIP.** One of the handsomest and best early forcing Radishes. Very even and smooth skin, and deep blood-red color. Pkt. 5c., pt. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- EARLY DEEP RED TURNIP.** An excellent variety for forcing; the leaves are short, the skin deep red, as indicated by the name, and the flesh is of fine flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- EARLY WHITE TURNIP.** A round turnip-rooted variety, with small top and of quick growth; both skin and flesh pure white, crisp and tender; fine for forcing. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- FRENCH BREAKFAST.** Splendid variety for the table, not only on account of its excellent quality, but for its beautiful color; roots olive-shaped; red above and white below; medium sized, small top; quick growth; crisp, sweet and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- WHITE BOX.** A handsome turnip-shaped pure white Radish of excellent quality and flavor; very early; fine for forcing, and very popular where known. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.
- EARLY PURPLE TURNIP.** Very much like French Breakfast, though purplish in color. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.
- WHITE TIPPED PURPLE TURNIP.** Another good variety, differing from the preceding in having a white tip. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

ROSY GEM, or RAPID FORCING.

Fine for forcing or open culture; a perfect globe in shape; deep scarlet on top, blending into pure white at the bottom; very tender and fine-grained; a rapid grower, but rarely becoming hollow or pithy; very early. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EARLY OLIVE-SHAPED SCARLET.

A standard sort for market gardeners; roots olive-shaped, rose colored, tender, good; skin bright scarlet, flesh firm and crisp. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

OLIVE-SHAPED WHITE.

Like the above, except that the roots are white. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

OLIVE-SHAPED YELLOW.

Very similar in characteristics to the two above-mentioned varieties, though it is yellow in color, hence its name. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

EARLY YELLOW TURNIP.

(Eldorado.) This Radish forms a pretty contrast for the early red and white varieties, which it resembles in quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

WHITE-TIPPED SCARLET.

A daintily colored variety, with globe-shaped roots of good flavor; a rapid grower, and ready for use very early. Pkt. 5 cts., pt. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

White Box

Brightest Long Scarlet.

Beckert's Chartier Turnip-Radish.

HALF-LONG DEEP SCARLET. We offer true stock of this fine extra-early Radish. It is an excellent variety, possessing all the qualities which go to make up a good Radish, and should be added to the list by all careful gardeners. Pkt. 5c, oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

WOOD EARLY FRAME. An excellent long red Radish; the best variety for forcing; also, good for outdoor crops; tops small; flavor excellent; early, and destined to increased popularity. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LONG BRIGHTEST SCARLET. New and distinct. Color vivid scarlet, tipped with snow-white; very juicy, sweet and crisp, and a rapid grower; quality fine; a popular variety. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LONG BRIGHT SCARLET TO MAIN CROP RADISHES.

BECKETT'S IMPROVED CHARTIER. The finest variety in existence; fully as early as Long Scarlet Short-Top, but better in quality; will stand far longer, and is in all respects superior to any other Radish in cultivation. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

NONPAREIL, or WHITE CHARTIER. A selection from the popular Beckett's Chartier, and like it in every point except color, which is all white; a very excellent variety. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

BECKETT'S CHARTIER TURNIP. A local variety of much merit. Pure white, early, varying in shape from oblong to globular, remaining tender and solid a long time. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

Beckett's Imp. Chartier.

WHITE STRASSBURG. Roots half-long and quite thick; skin and flesh pure white; excellent for summer use, as it withstands severe heat, and grows very rapidly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

GIANT WHITE STUTTGART. A popular variety, of quick growth; in season intermediate between the summer and winter Radishes; becomes very large; globular in shape; skin and flesh pure white; withstands the heat well; always juicy, crisp and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

LONG WHITE VIENNA. The finest Long White Radish in cultivation. It is of fine shape; skin and flesh are snow white, crisp, tender and brittle; of rapid growth. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

LONG SCARLET SHORT TOP. A popular variety for early summer use; the roots are long, straight and smooth; tender and good while young; a standard sort for market and home garden. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

GOLDEN GLOBE. Early, of amber color, sweet, crisp flavor; [very popular sort. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.]

GRAY SUMMER TURNIP. A popular, solid [summer Radish of excellent quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.]

NEWCOM. A variety of recent introduction; an early white, half-long in shape; stands drouth and heat well, has a small top, and runs to seed slowly; very good market variety. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

WINTER RADISHES.

ROUND SCARLET CHINA. A selection from Rose China Winter; medium size, round, bright scarlet; grows very rapidly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35 cts., lb. \$1.10.

CHINESE ROSE. One of the best sorts for fall and winter use; half-long, pink, flesh as solid as an apple, of excellent quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 75 cts.

CALIFORNIA, or RUSSIAN. Roots of enormous size, with solid white flesh of very good quality. Pkts. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

LONG GRAY WINTER. Very long, large roots, with grayish skin, and tender, pure white flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LARGE PURPLE GOURNAY. Long, purplish roots; good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LONG WHITE SPANISH. A long-keeping sort; hardy; skin and flesh white, solid, and milder in flavor than Long Black Spanish. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

Long Scarlet Short-Top.

Long Black Spanish.

We will quote you special prices on large quantities of Radish Seed. Write for prices early. Good crops of fine Radish cannot be grown without good seed. Our strains of Radish seed are unsurpassed by any.

LONG BLACK SPANISH. Roots black; flesh white and slightly pungent; late-keeping; one of the hardiest and latest. Pkt. 5 cts. oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

ROUND BLACK SPANISH. Similar in characteristics to the two preceding sorts; skin black, roots globe-shaped, white-fleshed, with piquant flavor; a variety destined to great popularity. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

Squash.

(Speise-Kürbis.)

SQUASH seeds should be planted at about the same time and in much the same manner as cucumbers and melons. The hills should be 9 feet apart each way, slightly elevated and highly manured. Bush varieties may be planted a little closer together. Use plenty of seed, as the bugs will destroy some plants. An ounce of seed will plant from 20 to 40 hills.

WHITE BUSH SCALLOPED, or **PATTY-PAN**. The earliest of all Squashes; skin cream-colored; flesh sweet and rich; very productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MAMMOTH WHITE BUSH. Very early early; similar to the other bush sorts in habit, but with fruits much larger and pure white. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

GOLDEN CUSTARD BUSH. Exceeds in size any of the scalloped sorts; dark, rich golden yellow in color; quality excellent. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

IMPROVED, or PROLIFIC MARROW. An improved strain of Boston Marrow, with fruits deeper orange, more rounded, thicker, having a smaller seed cavity and better flesh. A productive, good-keeping Squash. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

HUBBARD. A standard late Squash, more extensively grown than perhaps any other sort. Skin dark green; flesh fine-grained, dry, sweet, late-keeping. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

BOSTON MARROW. Well-known and popular. Skin and flesh bright orange; of excellent quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

WHITE CHESTNUT. One of the best new Squashes. The fruits have the form of the Hubbard; the flesh is tender, free from all stringiness, and boils as dry as a chestnut. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30 cts., lb. \$1.

ESSEX HYBRID. Of peculiar form, round, with flattened ends, large, and keeps sometimes until June. Noted for its exceptionally fine quality. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 70c.

TURBAN. An excellent fall and winter Squash; flesh yellow, sweet and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MARBLEHEAD. Similar to Hubbard, but lighter, and said to be a better keeper. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

BUTMAN. A valuable late Squash, distinct in flavor from all other sorts. The skin is dark green, marked with white; flesh fine-grained, dry, rich. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

FAXON. A new variety, with many good qualities. It is said to be very early, so that it may be used as a summer Squash, but also a good keeping variety for winter. The shell is unusually thin, and the flesh deep yellow, thick, sweet and fine for pies. The Squashes vary in color from pale yellow to green, mottled and striped with a lighter color. The variety is productive, and we regard it as quite promising. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 25 cts.

LOWS BAY STATE. Thick-shelled and thick-meated; a little smaller than Essex Hybrid; flesh dry, fine-grained and good; a good yielder. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

FORDHOOK. An excellent family Squash for those who like the Crookneck flavor; the flesh is sweet, dry, and not at all stringy; vines hardy and productive. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

MAMMOTH CHILL. Very large and nutritious, orange colored fruits, which keep well all winter. The most profitable sort for stock feeding. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK. The largest of the early Crooknecks, and as early as any; flesh tender and good, cooking quickly. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

White Bush Scalloped.

Hubbard Squash.

Boston Marrow Squash.

THE FAXON SQUASH

GOLDEN SUMMER CROOKNECK. Early and productive; fruits yellow, covered with warty excrescences, as in all this race; flesh fine-grained and rich. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

SIBLEY, or PIKE'S PEAK. Of distinct form, larger at the stem end; shell dark green, thin, hard and smooth; flesh bright orange, thick, dry and delicately flavored; seeds peculiarly shaped and colored; vines productive, ripening their fruit with Hubbard, but in much greater abundance. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

WINTER CROOKNECK. A favorite late keeping winter Squash, with yellow skin, and sweet, fine-grained flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

CANADA CROOKNECK. Small, well-known winter sort. Pkt. 5c., oz. 10c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25c., lb. 70c.

VEGETABLE MARROW. A good and productive English variety, quite distinct in every way. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

COCOANUT. A beautiful little table Squash, with cream and orange shell, and sweet, solid flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 70 cts.

Tomatoes.

(Siebesapfel.)

For early use, sow in February or March in a hot-bed or in boxes and pots set in the warm window, and hasten the germination and growth of the plants by good care and frequent watering, 4 or 5 inches apart, keeping the temperature at about 60°. Subsequent transplantings will make them branching and stocky, but do not set them in the open ground until all danger from frost is past, then plant them in a warm, sunny place, and water them freely until they are well established. Some support which will keep the fruit above the ground and free from dirt should be given the plants. An ounce of seed will produce about 1,200 plants.

When the seedlings are about 2 inches high, transplant them to pots, or in rows

Beckert's Dwarf Champion.

✓ **DWARF CHAMPION.** This Tomato has grown rapidly in popularity since its first introduction by us several years ago, and is now one of the most valued early market sorts. It is quite distinct in foliage and habit of growth, the plants being compact, stocky and upright, and requiring no support. Although the fruits begin to ripen very early and the plants yield enormously, they do not lag before frost; many begin to ripen their crop July 1, hold half a bushel of fine Tomatoes when at their best, and still a peck or more of fruit can be gathered from such a plant when frost comes. The fruit is always smooth and handsome, ripening close to the core, and never cracking; in shape and color it resembles Acme. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **ACME.** One of the most popular early varieties. Fruits of medium size, round, smooth, purplish pink, borne in clusters; it ripens evenly, without cracking, and bears shipping well. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **BEAUTY.** Fruit glossy crimson, large, smooth, solid, never cracking, and holding its size well until late in autumn. Pkt. 5c., oz. 30c., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **PERFECTION.** Round, smooth, solid fruits, produced abundantly and quite early. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **FAVORITE.** Fruits large, smooth, solid and meaty; vines productive. A good shipper. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **ESSEX HYBRID.** Fruits very much like those of Acme, but larger and less apt to rot. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **THE STONE.** This new variety bears very large, perfectly smooth fruits of bright scarlet; they are solid and meaty, with few seeds, and ship and keep well. One of the best sorts of recent introduction. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

Acme.

✓ **BUCKEYE STATE.** Larger than the other Livingston varieties, and different in shape, being flatter and broader, but having many of the same characteristics, which have made them so valuable. Fruits bright red, very smooth and solid. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 37 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. \$1.

✓ **MATCHLESS.** Noted for its fine quality, solidity and long-keeping. The fruits are very large, cardinal red, smooth and meaty. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **CHEMIN MARKET.** Of French origin. Fruits large, smooth, bright scarlet. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **TABLE QUEEN.** Dark crimson, in clusters; juicy and luscious, large and smooth. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 35 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. \$1.

✓ **PONDEROSA.** Enormous, and of good quality, but not always smooth, and does not ripen so evenly. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 30 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **PARAGON.** Glossy red fruits, rounder than Acme; still one of the best varieties. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **ROYAL RED.** A new variety, with large fruits, having skin and flesh of deep, intense red; a valuable sort for main crops. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **EXTRA SELECTED TROPHY.** When well grown from good seed this is one of the best Tomatoes; unsurpassed in any way. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **TURNER'S HYBRID or MIKADO.** Fruits large and solid, rich-flavored and juicy, with few seeds; in clusters. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **GOLDEN QUEEN.** A perfectly smooth, yellow Tomato, of fair size and fine and distinct flavor. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **PEACH.** Something like a peach in appearance, having the same soft bloom on the skin; of medium size, solid, and has few seeds. Pkt. 10 cts.

✓ **IGNOTUM.** Large, deep red, heavy, smooth and solid; it ripens up to the stem, and neither cracks nor rots. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 30 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 90 cts., lb. \$3.

✓ **YELLOW PLUM.** Fruits yellow. Pkt. 10 cts., oz. 35 cts.

✓ **GRAPE, CHERRY, or CURRANT.** Half an inch in diameter; desirable for pickles, etc. Pkt. 10 cts.

✓ **STRAWBERRY.** (Winter or Ground Cherry.) Small fruits, enclosed in a husk; they have the flavor of strawberries, and may be preserved like plums. Pkt. 10 cts.

Beauty Tomato.

Turnips.

(Kübe.)

For early use sow as soon as the ground can be prepared in spring, in drills 15 inches apart, and thin the plants to stand 8 inches apart. Sow for succession at intervals of a fortnight until the last week in July, and from that time onward until the last of August sow for main crop. The sowings should always be made just before a rain, if possible, as the success of the crop depends in a great measure upon quick germination and rapid growth in the young plants. An ounce of seed will sow 150 feet of drill; two pounds will sow an acre.

WHITE-FLESHED SORTS.

JERSEY LILY. A pure white, round Turnip; extra early in maturing, and of splendid quality; single tap root and small top. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

RED OF PURPLE-TOP STRAP-LEAF. The popular flat sort, grown so largely for fall and winter crops. The roots grow very rapidly, and are sweet and tender. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

EARLY FLAT DUTCH STRAP-LEAF. Largely grown for early summer use; early, quick-growing and good. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

EARLY WHITE EGG. Pretty, pure white, egg-shaped roots, which grow rapidly and are fine-grained, sweet, delicate flavored and solid. One of the very best sorts for table use. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LARGE EARLY RED TOPPED GLOBE. This variety is remarkable for its heavy yield per acre. The roots are globe-shaped, early in maturing, and good in quality. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

BREAD STONE TURNIP. A fine sort for spring and winter. Roots of medium size, smooth, white, sweet, and solid. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

COW-HORN. Roots shape like Carrots, with white, fine-grained, sweet flesh. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

LARGE WHITE NORFOLK. Grown principally for stock; roots very large, coarse-grained, nutritious. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

GOLDEN BALL OR ORANGE JELLY. Beautiful globe-shaped roots of bright yellow, noted for their sweet, juicy richness of flavor; they remain tender and fit for cooking a long time. One of the best yellow sorts. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

White Dutch and Purple-Top Strap-Leaf.

Yellow-Fleshed Sorts.

YELLOW STONE. Equally good for table or stock-feeding; roots solid, tender and good-keeping. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

AMBER GLOBE. Very large, firm, globular roots, which keep well until late. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

YELLOW ABERDEEN. Much grown for stock-feeding; roots large and solid. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

Ruta-Bagas, or Swedes.

These are grown chiefly as a farm crop for stock, but are excellent for cooking in spring.

IMPROVED AMERICAN. The best of the Swedish turnips; large, firm, yellow roots, which keep well, are hardy and well-flavored. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

SWEET GERMAN. Very large, solid white sweet roots. Pkt. 5 cts., oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 20 cts., lb. 60 cts.

Improved American Ruta-Bagas.

Spinach.

(Spinat.)

This is one one of the most important crops grown for greens, and may be had in good condition from very early in spring until cold weather. For early use sow very early in spring, and for succession at intervals. The main crop, for spring and winter use, should be sown in September, and the plants covered for winter. An ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill; 10 lbs. to an acre.

LONG-STANDING THICK-LEAVED. The best sort for spring sowing. It has large, thick, fleshy, crimped leaves, of the Savoy style. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 35 cts.

NORFOLK SAVOY. Very hardy and well adapted for winter crops; seeds quickly in warm weather. Leaves large and wrinkled like a Savoy Cabbage. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 35 cts.

VIROFLAY. Leaves immense, round and thick; good for spring sowings. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 35 cts.

ROUND DUTCH. A round-leaved, imported variety. Oz. 10 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 15 cts., lb. 35 cts.

BECKERT HARDY WINTER. Preferable to other sorts for winter because the plants have long, fibrous tap-roots, which keep them from being uprooted by frost. The leaves are large, firm-textured and well-flavored. Sow in fall, so that the plants may form good leaves before cold weather. Also good for spring sowing, because it grows rapidly and stands long. Oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

NEW ZEALAND. Oz. 15 cts., $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. 25 cts., lb. 75 cts.

Norfolk Savoy Spinach.

SWEET AND MEDICINAL HERBS.

These are used for various culinary and medical purposes, and should have a place in every well regulated kitchen garden. Sow seed of the perennial, marked thus (*), carefully in hot-beds, early in the spring, and at the proper time transplant to permanent beds in rows about 15 inches apart, setting the plants a foot apart in the row. In the winter they should be slightly protected with manure. The others are annuals, coming to perfection the first year, after which they die. Sow them in the open air early in the spring in drills 12 to 15 inches apart, and thin out. Leaves of all the sorts should be cut when the plants are in bloom, wilted in the sun, and hung up in the shade to dry. Afterward they may be stored away in paper bags until needed. The corner planted in these sweet herbs should be sunny, but need not be rich, as then the plants would grow too rank, and leaves and flowers would not be so rich in essential oil.

Thyme.

Summer Savory.

Sweet Marjoram.

Sage.

Sweet Basil.

ALL VARIETIES 5 CENTS PER PACKET.

Anise. (Anis.) Used for garnishing and flavoring. The seeds have an agreeable and aromatic flavor, and are used in medicine.
Angelica. (Angelika.) Has medicinal virtues.

Balm. (Melisse.) Leaves possess a fragrance similar to lemons. Made into Balm tea for fever, and into a beverage called "Balm wine."

Bene. (Bene.) Too tender for the north. The leaves will form a mucilaginous drink, beneficial in cases of cholera infantum, diarrhoea, etc.

Borage. (Boretsch.) A pot herb, and excellent for bees.

Basil, Sweet. (Basillenkraut.) For soups, stews and sauces.

Burnet. (Poterium.) For salads and soups.

Caraway. (Kuemmel.) The seeds are used in cakes, confectionery, etc.

Coriander. (Koriander.) Grown for its seeds, which are used in confectionery, and to disguise the taste of medicine.

Chevil, Curled. (Kerbel.) An aromatic herb. The young leaves are used in soups and salads.

Cumin. (Cuminum.) For seasoning.

Dill. (Dill.) The seed is used for pickling. Has an aromatic odor and a warm pungent taste.

Elecampe. (Helenium.) Has valuable tonic properties

Fennel. (Fenchel.) Used for pickling and sauces.

Horehound. Valuable for medicines.

Hyssop. (Isop.) Used in asthma and chronic catarrh.

Lavender. (Wohlrichendespicke.) Used for a perfume.

Marjoram. Used for seasoning.

Marjoram, Pot

Hop Seed.

Rosemary. An aromatic, ornamental herb.

Rue. Used for medical purposes.

Saffron. The flowers are used in dyeing.

Sage. (Salbei.) Medicinal, but used principally for flavoring.

Savory, Summer. (Bohnenkraut.) The dried stems, leaves and flowers are used extensively for flavoring.

Savory, Winter.

Thyme. The young leaves and tops are used for sauces, soups and dressings. Also, a good remedy for nervous headache, when made into tea.

Thyme, Winter.

Tarragon. Used for pickling, meat-sauce, soups, etc.

ASSORTMENTS OF ONE PACKET EACH OF THE 30 VARIETIES FOR \$1.

VEGETABLE PLANTS AND ROOTS.

Those desiring large quantities should write for special prices.

Asparagus Roots. Two years old.. By express, \$1 per 100, \$7 per 1,000.

Horse Radish Roots. 20 cts. per doz., 60 cts. per 100, \$5 per 1,000; by mail, 30 cts. per doz., \$1 50 per 100.

Rhubarb Roots. By mail 15 cts. each, \$1 per doz. by express.

Cabbage, Early. Early Wakefield, Early Summer and Winnigstadt. \$1 per 100, \$7 per 1,000.

Cabbage, Late. Late Flat Dutch and Drumhead, 40 cts. per 100, \$3.50 per 1,000; Drumhead, Savoy and Red Dutch, 60 cts. per 100, \$4.50 per 1,000.

Celery. Golden Dwarf, Half Dwarf, White Plume, 50 cts. per 100, \$4.50 per 1,000.

Cauliflower. Dwarf Erfurt, \$2.50 per 100.

Celeriac. 35 cts. per 100.

Beet. Egyptian, 30 cts. per 100.

Brussels Sprouts. 75 cts. per 100.

Kohlrabi. 40 cts. per 100.

Kale. 40 cts. per 100.

Leek. 40 cts. per 100.

Lettuce. Black Simpson and Golden Curled, 50 cts. per 100.

Egg-Plant. New York Improved, 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

Tomatoes. Beauty and Dwarf Champion, 40c. per doz., \$3 per 1x

Sweet Potato Plants. 40 cts. per 100, \$3 per 1,000.

Herbs and Roots.

Notice our fine assortment of these.

BIRD SEEDS, ETC.

If sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cents per pound.

Canary	Per lb.	\$0 10
Mixed Canary Seed	Per lb.	10
Hemp	Per lb.	10
Lettuce Seed	Per oz. 5 cts.	25

Maw, Blue Poppy	Per lb.	\$0 25
Millet, American	Per lb.	10
" German	Per lb.	10
Rape, English	Per lb.	15
Sunflower Seed for parrots	Per lb.	15

MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS FOR THE FARM.

Sacaline--A New Forage Plant.

This is not a new plant, having for many years been sold as an ornamental. But its great qualities as a forage plant were first discovered in 1893, when a severe drought in France, which burned out the other forage, compelled resort to Sacaline. To the surprise and delight of all interested, it was found that horses, cattle and sheep ate it with avidity, and thrived on it in a most gratifying way. Since attention has been attracted to Sacaline, leading scientific agriculturists have made it a subject of observation, and their statements sustain the strong claims made as to its merits. Among these claims are, that it is hardly even so far north as Siberia, endures without injury the greatest heat, requires no plowing before planting, no cultivation, no manuring, no replanting; thrives in wet and poor soil; stands forever when once planted; stems and leaves are greatly relished by horses, cattle and sheep, and the young shoots are eaten like asparagus; is more nutritious than clover, is a good enricher of the soil, grows very fast, becoming a bush 14 feet high by June, produces 90 to 180 tons of green forage per acre, can be cut every month, and the roots penetrate so deeply that they cannot be destroyed by cattle. Price, pkt. 25 cts., oz. 50 cts., lb. \$6.

Choice Field Seeds.

FIELD CORN.

Our Field Corn is the very choicest stock and varieties, grown specially for seed, and perfect in germinating qualities. Add 10 cts. per qt. when to be sent by mail.

White Cap Yellow Dent. (New.) Combines more solid merit than any Corn ever catalogued; suitable for all climates and soils; grows large ears and matures early. Ear as large as the Leaming, and from 7 to 10 days earlier; outfields and outshells the Leaming; it is as natural a yielder as weeds, grows strong, rank and quick, and produces more Corn on poor, thin soils than any other kind. Grown in a section with over 60 other varieties, it outyielded them all, and withstood drought much better; tips of grains are white, the inside yellow, making it a beautiful color. Price, \$1.75 per bu.; 2 bushels, including cotton sack, \$3.50; qt. 15 cts.; postpaid, 25 cts.

Leaming Improved. Cob small and red; grains deep and golden yellow in color; ears of good size, and generally produced two on a stalk; ripens very early, and is one of the most desirable sorts. Per qt., postpaid, 20 cts.; bu. \$1.50; 2 bu., including seamless sack, \$3.

Sweet Fodder. This is grown for green fodder, being very sweet and nutritious. Cattle will eat every part of the stock and leaves.

Red Cob Ensilage Corn. This popular new white variety of ensilage Corn produces an immense amount of succulent foliage. Pk. 45 cts., bus. \$1.40.

Kaffir Corn.

One of the best forage plants. If wanted for fodder the stalks should be cut when the first seed heads come into bloom; the second growth will still mature a crop of grain and a second crop of fodder. Lb. 25 cts., 3 lbs. 60 cts., postpaid; bushel, \$2.90.

Pop-Corn.

Golden Queen. One of the largest yellow and most prolific varieties.

White Rice. A very fine choice white variety. Each, 15 cts. per lb.; postpaid, 25 cts.

BROOM CORN, IMPROVED EVERGREEN.

Extensively grown on account of the color and quality of its brush, which is long, fine and straight, and always green. The plant grows 7 feet high. 15 cts. per lb. (postpaid, 25 cts.), \$6.50 per 100 lbs. lots

SUGAR CANE, EARLY AMBER.

The earliest and most productive variety, growing to 12 feet high. Its saccharine matter is of first quality, fine and rich. One of our best green fodder plants. Sow 4 quarts in drills, and 8 quarts broadcast, to the acre. 18 cts. per lb., \$6 per 100 lbs.

TREE SEEDS.

If sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cents per pound.

Per oz.	Lb.	Per oz.	Lb.
Box Elder	\$0 10 \$0 60	European Ash	\$0 20 \$0 75
White Birch	10 75	Mountain Ash	10 75
European Linden	1 00	Black Mulberry	25 1 30
White Mulberry	20 2 00	Norway Maple	20 1 00
Sugar Maple	10 75	Cottonwood	40 4 00
White Ash	10 60	Catalpa speciosa	10 1 00

Sacaline--The New Forage Plant.
Showing 2 months' growth.

JAPANESE BUCKWHEAT.

A new variety of Buckwheat, which possesses qualities that will render it of especial value. It is enormously prolific, yielding double the weight of other sorts, and makes an excellent flour. 10 cts. per lb. (postpaid, 18 cts.), \$1.60 per bu. (48 lbs.).

Silver Hull. This improved variety is much better than the older sorts, is in bloom longer, matures sooner and yields more per acre. \$1.60 per bu., 10 cts. per lb.; by mail, 18 cts.

FLAX SEED.

25 cts. per qt. (by mail, 33 cts.), \$4 per bu.

HEMP SEED.

10 cts. per lb., \$6 per 100 lbs.

SUNFLOWER.

Mammoth Russian. Bears extra large flowers, which produce a very heavy crop of seed. 15 cts. per lb. (postpaid, 18 cts.), \$6 per 100 lbs.

SPRING VETCHES, or TARES.

A species of pea grown for fodder. 10 cts. per lb., \$3.50 per bu.

TOBACCO. (Tabaf.)

The seed should be sown as early as possible after the danger of frost is over.

Connecticut Seed-Leaf. Best adapted to the climate of the middle and northern states. 10 cts. per pkt., 30 cts. per oz.

Havana. From pure Cuban-grown seed. 10c. per pkt., 60c. per oz.

Seeds of Trees and Hedge-Plants.

SEEDS OF HEDGE PLANTS.

Per oz.	Lb.	Per oz.	Lb.
Arbor-vitae, Am'n	\$0 20 \$2 00	Locust, Honey	\$0 10 \$0 50
Barberry	40 4 00	Yellow	10 50
Purple-Leav'd	10 50	Norway Spruce	10 75
Broom Scotch	10 50	Sheep Berry	10 1 00
Buckthorn	10 75	Osage Orange	10 50
Cornelian Cherry	10 1 00	Privet, Japan or	1 00
Furze	10 50	Common	1 00
Hawthorn	10 50		

GRASS SEED.

Prices of Grass Seed fluctuate; rates here given are those ruling at this date.

For Grass Seed sent by mail, add postage at the rate of 8 cents per pound to prices. Write for special prices on large quantities.

Creeping Bent Grass. (*Agrostis stolonifera*.) Succeeds well in moist situations; excellent for lawns. 20 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 20 cts., bu. \$3.50.

Sheep Fescue. (*Festuca ovina*.) Short, very thick in growth; excellent for sheep pasture. 12 pounds to bushel. Lb. 25c., bu. \$2.50.

Lawn Grass. See page 72.

Kentucky Blue Grass. (*Poa pratensis*.) Sow in fall or spring at the rate of 2 or 3 bushels per acre. Our seed is free from chaff, and may be sown almost as easily as timothy. 14 pounds to the bushel. Fancy export quality, lb. 20c., pk. 60c., bu. \$2.20; extra clean, lb. 15c., pk. 40c., bu. \$1.50.

Rhode Island Bent Grass. (*Agrostis canina*.) A very fine variety for lawn or pasture. 12 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 25 cts., bu. \$2.50.

Fine-Leaved Fescue. (*Festuca ovina tenuifolia*.) Flourishes well on dry and sterile soils; well suited for lawns. Lb. 35 cts.

Perennial Ryegrass. (*Lolium perenne*.) (Rye grass.) Considered quite valuable, as it affords pasture very early in the spring. The leaves are flat, long and glossy; the stalks rather short, seldom over 18 inches in length; grass variable in size and appearance. Sow in early spring, at rate of 1 to 1½ bushels per acre. 24 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 20 cts., pk. 80 cts., bu. \$3.

Orchard Grass. (*Dactylus glomerata*.) Very rapid in growth, and yields a large aftermath; nearly two weeks earlier in its growth than any other grass. It has a strong tendency to grow in clumps, and should be sown with clover, as both ripen at one time. 14 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 20 cts., pk. 75 cts., bu. \$2.80.

Sweet Vernal. (*Anthoxanthum odoratum*.) Mixed with other grasses, it is valuable for pasture on account of its earliness. It is one of the earliest in spring as well as one of the latest fall grasses, and is pleasant in fragrance. Lb. 50 cts.

Red Top. (*Agrostis vulgaris*.) Very suitable for pastures on low ground. Produces late in the season a reddish purple or greenish tinge of flowers. Fancy, about 40 pounds to the bushel, lb. 25 cts., 100 lbs. \$17; extra clean, 14 pounds to the bushel, lb. 15 cts., bu. \$1.60.

Crested Dog's-tail. (*Cynosurus cristatus*.) Valuable for pastures on hard, dry soils. 21 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 40 cts.

Wood Meadow Fescue. (*Poa nemoralis*.) Suitable for under trees. 14 pounds to bushel. Lb. 40 cts. **Italian Ryegrass.** (*Lolium italicum*.) Thrives in any soil, and yields abundant crops. 20 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 20 cts., pk. 80 cts., bu. \$3.

Meadow Foxtail. (*Alopecurus pratensis*.) Desirable for permanent pastures on moist soil; early and rapid in growth. 7 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 50 cts.

Tall Meadow Oat Grass. (*Avena elatior*.) Rapid and luxuriant in growth; valuable for soiling. 10 pounds to the bushel. Lb. 20 cts., pk. 80 cts., bu. \$2.50.

Hungarian Grass. (*Panicum Germanicum*.) A valuable annual forage plant. Sow one bushel to the acre. 48 pounds to the bushel. Bu. \$1.75.

German, or Golden Millet. (True southern-grown.) German millet, grown in northern and western states, deteriorates, and soon resembles Foxtail in quality and yield. This is because the grass is a native of a warm climate. Southern seed is worth double northern or western-grown. Lb. 10 cts., pk. 60 cts., bu. \$2.25.

CLOVER SEED.

☞ Add 8 cts. per pound for postage.

Alsike, or Swedish. (*Trifolium hybridum*.) A good variety of luxuriant growth; very sweet; fine for pasturage or ensilage. Lb. 20 cts., postpaid, 28 cts.; 100 lbs. \$18. **Alfalfa, or Lucerne.** (*Medicago sativa*.) Will bear cutting 3 or 4 times during the season. Best clover for bringing up poor land. Lb. 20c.; postpaid, 28c.; 100 lbs. \$16. **Bokara Clover.** (*Melilotus alba*.) A rapid-growing, white flowered sort, excellent for bee-food. Lb. 30 cts., postpaid 38 cts.; 100 lbs. \$25.

Japan Clover. (*Lepidoloma striata*.) A low-branched clover that does well in the south. It thrives well on poor land, and produces continual herbage; not adapted to northern latitudes, as it is only half hardy. Lb. 35 cts.; postpaid, 43 cts.

Scarlet Clover. (*Trifolium incarnatum*.) Flowers scarlet; very productive, and greedily eaten by cattle. Lb. 15 cts., postpaid, 23 cts.; 100 lbs. \$9.

Sainfoin Esparsette, or Holy Clover. (*Hedysarum onobrychis*.) A valuable Clover for the middle or southern states; the seeds are more nutritious than oats, and are readily eaten by fowls. Lb. 20 cts.; postpaid, 28 cts.

White Dutch Clover. (*Trifolium repens*.) The best variety for lawns, as it forms a close herbage, and remains green throughout the season. We offer highest grade of seed only. Lb. 35 cts., postpaid, 43 cts.; 100 lbs. \$30.

Special Mixtures of Grass Seed for Hay and Permanent Pastures.

We prepare a number of mixtures of Grass Seed for hay and for permanent pastures. These mixtures are prepared to suit any particular condition of soil and location—as land that is wet or dry, high land or bottom land, land that is poor or in good condition. Buyers will please state kind of soil they wish to use it on, and we will quote them prices of the particular mixture they want. Average price, about \$2.50 per bu., and quantity required to acre, about 3 bushels.

Tall Meadow Oat Grass.

INSECTICIDES.

Intelligent farmers and gardeners now fully recognize the great helpfulness of insecticides in fighting the enemies which are so destructive to all sorts of crops. Such remedies are all the more effective if applied early, before the insects, etc., have greatly increased.

Slug Shot. This nonpoisonous powder and very popular insecticide requires no further mixing or preparation.

It is very effective in destroying potato bugs, and bugs, beetles, green and black bugs, worms, cutworms, caterpillars, etc. Price, per barrel of 235 lbs. net, \$4; per ton of 2,000 lbs., \$70; in 10-lb. packages, each, 50 cts.; 5-lb. packages, 30 cts.

Leggett's Fungicide (A Powdered Bordeaux Mixture). Bordeaux mixture can be used dry, if manufactured especially for the purpose. For most plants this powder is to be diluted with an equal part by weight of plaster, and the mixture is applied when the foliage is wet with rain or dew. Price, 15 cts. per lb.

Grape Dust. For mildew and rot. More easily applied than liquid remedies. Special circular sent on application. Price, per lb., 10 cts.; 5-lb. package, 35 cts.; keg of 100 lbs., \$5.

Serofularia. Most effective as a preventive of carpet beetle ravages, and the destruction of bed-bugs, cock-roaches, ants, etc. Packages 25 cts., 50 cts. and \$1; sent by mail, postpaid.

Carbolic Soap. For freeing animals from insects, washing the bark of trees and woody plants, for scale-lice, etc. Mix about 2 ozs. to a gallon of water. Price, per 4-oz. package, 12c.; by mail, 15c.

Whale-Oil Soap. For destroying and preventing insects on plants, trees, vines, etc. 15 cts. per lb.; 25-lb. lots, \$2.50.

Scott's Kill-might. Useful to growers of palms, roses, chrysanthemums and carnations in greenhouses; also, for general use out of doors, all insects being destroyed by it. Recommended for washing horses and cattle. Two-lb. can, 50 cts.; 5-lb. can, \$1.20; 10-lb. can, \$2.25; 20-lb. can, \$4.

Tobacco Dust. The most effective and cheapest remedy for the flea on cabbage, radish, etc. 5-lb. package, 30 cts.; 10-lb. package, 50 cts.; 50-lb. package, \$2; 100-lb. package, \$3.50; barrel, 175 lbs. and upward, \$4.50.

Tobacco Soap. Dissolve 2 ozs. to 1 gal. of water, and apply with a syringe. 25 cts. per lb., 50 cts. per 5 lbs., \$2 per 25 lbs.

Fostite. Best remedy for prevention of mildew on roses and other plants, and for black rot, leaf blight, and for the destruction of insect life. 15 cts. per lb., 50 cts. per 5 lbs., \$2 per 25 lbs.

Gishurst's Compound. Effectual for preventing and destroying green, brown and black fly, mildew, thrips, mealy-bug and scale. Price per box, 50 cts.; by mail, 75 cts.

Flowers of Sulphur. For the prevention and destruction of mildew on plants. 10 cts. per lb., 60 cts. per 10 lbs., \$1.50 per 100 lbs.

Pure Paris Green. In boxes. 30 cts. per lb.; by mail, 45 cts.

Fir-Tree Oil. Destroys all sorts of insects. Dilute according to directions, apply with syringe, or by dipping the plants in it. Price, 5 pt., 40 cts.; pt., 75 cts.; qt., \$1.25; ½ gal., \$2.55; gal., \$4.

Powdered White Hellebore. For rose-slugs, currant-worms, etc. A small quantity of flour mixed with it gives adhesiveness; dust on with gun or bellows while the foliage is moist. For fluid applications, mix one pound to 25 to 40 gallons of water. Price, 40 cts. per lb., or by mail, 55 cts. per lb.

Persian Powder. Non-poisonous. A superior grade. Kills all kinds of insects on plants in the garden, and the house. Price, 15 cts. per ½ lb., 50 cts. per lb., or by mail, 55 cts.

London Purple. Highest grade. 25 cts. per lb.; by mail, 40 cts.

POULTRY FOOD.

Prepared Poultry Food. Invaluable for laying hens, turkeys, geese and all kind of fowls. It will double the production of eggs.

It contains everything necessary to produce an abundant supply of eggs, and at the same time keeps the poultry in healthy condition, so that their value, either at market or as egg producers, will be greatly enhanced by its use. It is composed entirely of pure animal bone and meat. Price, 5 lbs., 35 cts.; 10 lbs., 60 cts., 50 lbs., \$1.75; 100 lbs., \$2.75.

Special Granulated Bone. (Manufactured for chicken feed.) Insures the health and egg-laying in winter of hens by feeding them this special brand. If you put this special Granulated Bone in the box in your poultry house, and give the chickens free access to it, it will be but little expense and yield you large returns in increased size and greater numbers of eggs, which means more food for home consumption, or more money for the wife. 5 cts. per lb., 40 cts. per 10 lbs., \$2.30 per 100 lbs., \$4.50 per 200 lbs.

FERTILIZERS (PRICES VARIABLE).

Commercial fertilizers are more quickly available as plant food than manures, less heating, and less disagreeable to handle. We offer only the best grades, adaptable to different soils and important crops, at popular prices.

Pure Raw Bone Phosphate. Strictly pure and free from fossil rock. Composed of the proper proportion of blood, bones and meat, with potash, and is absolutely the best on the market.

Per sack (200 lbs.), \$4.50; ton, \$40.
Peruvian Guano. A well-known stimulant for plants etc. For pot plants it should always be used as a liquid, an ounce of guano to 8 or 10 gallons of water, given once a week. 10 cts. per lb.; by mail, 25 cts.; 70 cts. per 10 lbs., \$1.50 per 25 lbs., \$2.50 per 50 lbs., \$4.50 per 100 lbs.

Sheep Manure. Good for lawns, and a most excellent stimulant for greenhouse plants; it is powerful, acts as quickly as guano and remains a permanent nutritious food, promoting a strong, healthful growth. 5 cts. per lb., 40 cts. per 10 lbs., 75 cts. per 25 lbs., \$2.50 per 100 lbs.

Pure Bone Meal. A valuable fertilizer. Excellent for top-dressing lawns, house plants, etc. Price, 5c. per lb., 40c. per 10 lbs., \$2.50 per 100-lb. package, \$4.50 per 200-lb. package, \$40 per ton.

Fine Bone Meal. See page 72.

Pure Potato Manure. A special brand for potatoes. Wherever used the results have been most satisfactory. Prepared especially to meet the needs of this vegetable, and is in every way a superior manure for the rapid growth and large yield of potatoes. Composed of pure animal bone, meat, blood and a large percentage of potash. Also very beneficial in toning up old orchards. Plow or dig as far around as the roots of the trees extend and use from ½ to 1 peck, according to size of tree. 200 lbs. \$4.50; ton, \$45.

Nitrate of Soda. This is valuable for the nitrogen it contains, which is equal to 20 per cent. of ammonia. It is chiefly a stimulant, and used in addition to other fertilizers. Quick in action; hastens maturity of crops fully two weeks. Valuable for grain, fodder, corn, sugar beets, potatoes, grasses, peas, beans, clover, etc.; effectual remedy for clover-sick land. 100 to 150 lbs. per acre, 10 cts. per lb.; postpaid, 25 cts.; write for prices in quantities.

Sulphate of Ammonia. Contains nitrogen equal to 25 per cent. of ammonia. It is one of the most concentrated forms in which ammonia can be applied, and is at the same time one of the most active and readily available forms. For grain, corn, potatoes and other crops it is used with great success. Apply 150 to 300 pounds per acre. Per bag of 200 lbs., \$9; ton, \$80; price variable.

The Excelsior Fertilizer for pot plants is used by dissolving a teaspoonful to a pint of water, and applying to the soil every few weeks; it starts the plants at once into healthy and vigorous growth and abundant bloom. 15 cts. per pack; postpaid, 25 cts.

TOOLS AND IMPLEMENTS.

BELLOWS.

Leggett's Paris Green, or Dry Powder Gun.

Leggett's Paris Green, or Dry Powder Gun,
as used on Potatoes.

For Insect Powder. These are fitted with patent powder receivers; they are made in 4 sizes. Prices, 90 cts., \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.25.

Magazine Bellows. The best Bellows to distribute insect powders, such as kerosene, sulphur, Paris green, etc. Does not clog. Cannot get out of order if properly taken care of, while quantity of powder to be applied can be regulated at will. Prices, large size, \$6; small size, \$3.50.

Woodson's Liquid Spraying Bellows. Throws a liquid spray line as smooth, reaching insects under the leaf as well as on every part of the plant. Poultry keepers should have one for spraying coal-oil in the hen-house. Price, \$2.

Powder Guns. The bottom or spout screws off, and has a large opening for filling with powder. Price, first size, 25 cts.; by mail, 30 cts.; second size, 15 cts.; by mail, 20 cts.

IMPROVED PLANTING DIBBLE.

Designed for setting out cabbage, celery, tobacco and similar plants, and small nursery stock. 40 cts.; by mail, 55 cts.

DAISY AND COLD LIFTER.

A small implement for lifting up dirt, etc., by the root. 60 cts.

DAISY FORCE PUMP.

Cheap and effective; can be operated by a child; will throw a constant stream from 40 to 50 feet. Good for watering lawns, shrubbery, trees, plants, etc. Price, \$1.50.

Flower Pots.

FLOWER POTS.

2-inch, per 100	\$.50
3-inch, "	. 90
4-inch, "	1.50
5-inch, "	2.00
6-inch, "	4.00
7-inch, "	
8-inch, "	

If packed in barrels for shipping, 25 cts. each for barrels.

RAFFIA.

Most excellent tying material. 25 cents per pound.

SHEARS.

Pruning. (The best.)			
Wheel spring, 7-in.	\$1 00	Wheel spring, 9-in.	\$1 50
" 8-in.	1 30	Spiral spring	\$1, 1 25
Garden Hedge, 8-in., \$1 75; 9-in., \$2.			
Sheep. For trimming grass on edges and around flower beds. 50 cts.			

Farmers and gardeners, save your money. Distribute Paris green, hellebore, sulphur, slug shot and all other insecticides that are in a powdered state. For applying in a dry form on plants or trees, this machine is ahead of all others, distributing evenly with least possible waste and with greatest rapidity. It is 2 feet long, with 4 extra tubes, which when attached, make the whole length 7 feet, weighs 4½ pounds, and holds 1 quart of powder. By turning the crank a fan is rapidly revolved, which forces a current of air through the tubes that carries with it a small portion of powder. Any dry powder can be used to great advantage. Very rapid in its operation; 1¼ to 2 acres of potatoes can be gone over in one hour. Price, complete, \$7.50.

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IMPROVED
DAISY
Force Pump.

EUREKA FUMIGATOR.

The best apparatus for fumigating greenhouses, poultry houses, etc.; when once lighted it is self-acting and may be left in a house with perfect safety. No. 1, 12 in. high, holds 1 pk., \$1.50; No. 4, 24 in. high, holds ¾ bu., \$3.50.

HAND WEEDERS.

Hazeltine's. In very general use; best steel, and durable, 25 cts.; by mail, 30 cts.

Excelsior. Very useful for weeding and stirring up the soil. 15 cts.; by mail, 20 cts.

Lang's. One of the best of this class, allowing use of the hand while working. 20 cts.; by mail, 25 cts.

Forks. Best steel; imported. Each, 50 cts.

GLAZING POINTS.

Van Repper's. (Glass cannot slip.) 60 cts. per 1,000; by mail, 75 cts. Pincers for about 25 cts.

GARDEN REELS.

Useful for coiling garden lines. 40 cts. each.

GARDEN LINES.

200-foot length, 50 cts.; 300-foot length, 75 cts.

GRAFTING WAX.

15 cts. per ¼-lb. bar; 25 cts. per ½-lb.; 40 cts. per lb. If sent by mail, 10 cts. per pound extra.

TROWELS.

English Steel. Solid steel; will wear a lifetime. 50 cts.; postpaid, 75 cts.

Excelsior Weeder.

Pruning Knives.

Cleave's Angle Garden. No. 1, 8-in. blade, 30 cts.; No. 2, 7-in. blade, 25 cts.; No. 3, 5-in. blade, 15 cts.

Ordinary. 10 cts. and 15 cts.

HOES.

Dutch Scuffle. Without handles. 7-in., 40 cts.; 8-in., 50 cts.

KNIVES.

Pruning Knives. \$1.25 each.

Budding. Saynor's best, in four styles. Prices, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.50.

LABELS.

Painted Wood. Four, 3 and 6 inches; 20, 30 and 35 cts. per 100.

Budding Knives.

REDDICK'S MOLE TRAP.

This trap speaks for itself; it needs no other testimonials. *Directions for Setting the Trap.*—In the early part of the season the mole runs show above the ground, and all that is necessary is to press on the runway with the heel, closing it for a few inches, and set the trap directly astraddle the run. Push the trapframe and spear-lines down into the ground until stopped by the trigger-pan and spear-head. Pull up handle and let it drop a few times, bear down on frame with left hand, and raise the handle with the right until the notch catches on top of the frame. When trigger is properly set below, pull handle on top to one side, which will release it from the notch; spear-head will be caught by top of trigger, and trap is set. After pushing the trap into the ground as far as possible, withdraw the entire trap about ½ of an inch. During the middle of summer moles work deeper. Remove some of the top earth and set the trap lower. One soon learns which are regular runs by depressing the earth; if raised again by the mole, set your trap there, and you will get him. \$1.25.

PLANT STAKES.

Green Painted, Square Tapered. Neatly finished. Eighteen-inch, 25 cts. per doz.; \$2.25 per 100. 24-inch, 30 cts. per doz.; \$1.75 per 100. 36-inch, 50 cts. per doz.; \$3 per 100. 48-inch, 65c. per doz.; \$4.25 per 100.

PENCILS.

Wolf's Indelible. Best quality, 10 c. each.

POT COVERS.

Leather Imitation. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

TURF EDGER.

Planet Jr. The best of its kind; as useful, in its way, as a lawn mower. \$3.40.

RAKES.

English Malleable. Without handle, 12, 14 and 16 teeth. 40, 45 and 50 cts.

RUSTIC HANGING BASKETS.

Prices according to size, 90 cts. to \$1.50.

Reddick's Mole Trap.

WM. C. BECKERT,
ALLEGHENY, PA.

Lennox Knapsack. The only machine on the market that will spray up or down. Simple, effective, and at a price that anybody can afford ; for vegetables

Knapsack Sprayer.

growing low or high on the ground, for shrubbery, vines and low trees. \$4.

Ramsey. Valuable for watering lawns, gardens and greenhouses conveniently. Adapted for sprinkling liquid solutions on trees and plants, to destroy insects, etc. Brass; handsome and durable. No. 1, \$5; No. 2, \$6.

Scollay's Rubber Sprinkler. Very useful for syringing house plants or dampening clothes. \$1: postpaid, \$1.10.

Valuable for protecting plants from frost, covering hotbeds and frames in lieu of glass. **Medium Grade.**—10 cts. per yard, \$4.25 per piece of 50 yards.

Best English, 75 cts.

PUTTY DISTRIBUTOR
Scollay's Rubber. Excellent for glazing; the pressure of the hand ejects the putty. \$1; by mail, \$1.10.

Plant Cloth.

14 inches, 1 inch diameter, 3 sprays		\$2 75
16 " " 1½ " " 3 " "		3 90
18 " " 1½ " " 3 " "		4 50
18 " " zinc " " 1 " "		1 00
Stott's (see, also, Distributors)		7 00

Length of Barrel, 18 in.; diameter, $1\frac{1}{2}$.

pole, 4 ft., \$1.20; 6 ft., \$1.40; 8 ft., \$1.60; 10 ft., \$1.80. Extra knives, 25 cts. each.

The best florists' watering pot made. The pot is galvanized after being made, making every part secure. A special feature is the roses; one has a 5-in. copper head, with very small holes, and sends a very fine spray, suited for cuttings and beds of very small seed after sowing; also, a larger one for general work. The heads of both the roses are flat, so as not to scatter the spray too much. These pots last well, and render good service.

6 - qt., \$1.75; 8 - qt., \$2.10; 10 - qt., \$2.30.

The most perfect line of garden tools on the market. Special Planet Jr. Catalogue, fully illustrating and describing the different sorts of work accomplished, free on application.

This new machine holds two quarts, and sows all kinds of garden seed with great regularity. The plow runs any depth, from one-eighth to two inches. It sows in drill as well as No. 2 Drill, and will also drop in neat hills, either 4,

6, 8 or 12 inches apart. It can be changed from a hill to a drill-dropping machine or the reverse, or can be thrown in or out of gear in a moment, and will not sow when run backwards. It has a force-feed, so that the sowing is regular, no matter whether the drill is full or nearly empty. The discharge of the seed can be stopped instantly at the end of the row so that none need be wasted. The opening plow and cover are specially adapted for the work they have to do, while the marker can be set at any distance desired, up to 2 1/2 inches. The ability to drop in hills is a great advantage.

Planet Jr. Hill-Dropping Seed-Drill.

This tool is also new, and as a drill is exactly the same as the machine just described. The fertilizer hopper holds one peck. The amount sown is regulated accurately by the dials, and the discharge of both may be stopped and started instantly, either separately or together, avoiding loss at the ends of the row. Like the plain Hill-Dropping Drill, it does not sow when drawn backward, and can be quickly thrown entirely out of gear. Net price, \$14.

Planet Jr. Combined Hill-Dropping and Fertilizer-Drill.

This simple and most accurate drill has been the standard machine for years. It holds 2½ quarts. It sows all garden seeds accurately at any desired thickness or depth; it opens, drops, covers, rolls down and marks the next row all at one passage, in the most perfect manner. The machine has no agitators, and hence delicate seed can be sown without danger of injury. **Price, \$7.**

Planet Jr. Combined Drill, Wheel Hoe, Cultivator, Rake and Plow.

As a seed drill it is the same as No. 2, except in size. It holds one quart. It has all the tools shown in cut. All blades are steel, tempered and polished. The rakes are invaluable in preparing the ground for planting, covering seeds, first cultivation, etc. The hoes work closely and safely all rows up to 16 inches wide at one passage, leaving the ground nearly level. Price, \$9.25.

Planet Jr. Lawn and Turf-Edger.

Trims the turf around the edges of the flower beds, walks, etc. The revolving cutter does perfect work, either on a straight or curved border, while the hoe clean the bottom of the walk. Price, \$4.

New Model Seed-Drill.

Regulation of Discharge. The adjustment is accomplished in this drill in a very simple and effective manner, by the use of a slide with a pear-shaped opening passing under the bottom of the seed reservoir, which is provided with a perforation of similar shape, in reversed position. This slide can be instantly adjusted to size indicated by index, or to hairbreadth variation between, a vital point in a perfect seed-drill.

The New Model Seed-Drill.

Planet Combined Drill, Wheel Hoe, Cultivator, Rake and Plow.

Index. The index or indicator is plain, convenient and reliable. It is placed in full sight, immediately under the eye of the operator, and, as stated above, can be quickly adjusted to the slightest variation desired.

Out-off. The flow of seed can be instantly stopped by a swinging cut-off, conveniently operated by a cord and ring on the handle. This cut-off prevents all loss of seed on end rows, and its swing or gravity form will be found far more preferable to one that slides under, as it cannot be jammed by the falling seed.

Marker. This is simple, easy to adjust and firmly held. Each drill carefully packed for shipment. Packed weight about 40 pounds. Price, \$7.

Planet Jr. Double Wheel Hoe, Cultivator, Rake and Plow.

This tool does the work of from six to ten men with ordinary hand-hoes. It can be used to straddle rows, or run between them, as desired. It has all the attachments shown in cut. The rakes level the ground for planting, gather stones and trash, cultivate, cover seeds, etc. The hoes cut loose and clean, killing everything they meet, leaving the ground level. The cultivator teeth mellow the soil deep or shallow, and are useful for marking out. The plows lay out deep furrows and cover them, hill up or plow away, as desired. The leaf-guards allow cultivation of large plants, such as beets, carrots, parsnips, beans and peas. Price, complete, \$6.50.

Plain Double Wheel Hoe. To meet a demand from some sections, the Planet Jr. Double Wheel Hoe will be offered with only one pair of hoes and without leaf-guards, as the "Planet Jr. Plain Double Wheel Hoe," at \$5.

Firefly Single Wheel Hoe, Cultivator and Plow Combined.

This tool combines lightness and strength with great adjustability. It has (1) a pair of admirable hoes, which can be set to work to and from the row, and to any desired depth; (2) a set of three reversible cultivator teeth, to be used together or singly, or in conjunction with the hoes; (3) a large, excellent garden plow. The whole tool is light and strong, and capable of standing hard usage for years. Price, \$4.25.

Firefly Single Wheel Hoe, Cultivator and Plow Combined.

Planet Jr. Single Wheel Hoe, Cultivator, Rake and Plow Combined.

This tool combines lightness, great strength, variety and adjustability of tools. The form of the hoes insures a forward slanting cut next to the plant, and consequent close work without danger, and at the same time thorough cultivation of the soil. The rakes and cultivator teeth, in combination with the hoes and plow, enable the operator to perform almost any variety of work, either in field or garden. A leaf-guard (detachable) is very useful in late hoeing. All rows from 6 to 18 inches apart can be hoed perfectly at one passage. The frame allows every desirable adjustment, is quickly raised or lowered to regulate depth, and the wheel can be attached centrally, or at one side of the machine, giving the operator the important advantage of hoeing both sides of the row at one passage, when desired. Price, \$4.75.

Gem Hand Cultivator.

The Firefly Wheel Garden Plow.

This tool is intended for those who have but small gardens and a moderate amount of time to spend in them. The moldboard is tempered and polished steel. The depth may be changed as desired very quickly. The low price brings it within reach of all. Price, \$2.25.

Gem Hand Cultivator.

Two scuffle or cutting blades, one $\frac{3}{4}$, and one 9 inches wide. Two plows, right and left hand. Five stirring teeth, all made of the best steel. The wheels and handles are adjustable in height, while the frame is so slotted that the hoes, teeth and plows can be set at almost any angle. Price, \$4.50.

Firefly Wheel Garden Plow.

Select Flower Seeds.

A COMPLETE LIST OF THE BEST AND MOST POPULAR SORTS, INCLUDING SEEDS OF
ANNUALS, BIENNIALS, PERENNIALS, AND STOVE AND GREENHOUSE PLANTS.

IN the following pages we offer a careful and choice selection of fresh and pure flower seeds, including all the best old and new varieties which have been introduced up to date, and omitting all which have proved unsatisfactory, or have been superseded by better sorts. No possible need of the flower garden has been neglected, for seeds of plants adaptable for every ornamental purpose, covering the whole range of form and color, height and habit, and the whole season with their bloom, may be found here.

Our Flower Seed Packets are large, beautifully lithographed in colors, with directions for culture printed on one side, and well filled with tested seeds of strong germinating power.

Collections of Flower Seeds.

More seeds for less money, with the benefit of our years of experience in selection thrown in as a premium, can be supplied in these Seed Collections than in any other form or way. We make them up carefully, before the hurry of spring sales comes on, of full packets from the best and most popular sorts of seeds, which will give a succession of bloom throughout the season. All are fresh, and from our regular stock. Friends and neighbors who club together and divide packets, will find this an inexpensive and most satisfactory way of securing a fine flower garden.

No discounts or pre-

Collection of 10 packets of Choice Flower Seeds, 10 varieties,	price	40 cts.
" " 15 " " " " " 15 "	"	60 cts.
" " 25 " " " " " 25 "	"	\$1.00.

No discounts or premiums are given on these collections.

Discounts on Flower Seeds by Mail.

We prepay postage on all seeds sold in ounces and packets.

Our liberal discounts, or premiums, on flower seeds in packets (purchaser's selection) really reduces the cost to wholesale prices. These discounts are given only on seeds sold in packets, for which, in all cases, the cash must accompany orders.

 This discount does not apply to assortments or collections, nor to seeds by the ounce or pound.

For \$1 select seeds amounting to	\$1.25
For \$2 " " " "	2.50
For \$3 " " " "	3.75
For \$4 " " " "	5.00

THE HEADINGS OF THE DEPARTMENTS

Climbers, Seeds of Greenhouse Plants—make so clear the nature of each class of seeds offered that the usual puzzling and arbitrary signs and abbreviations are unnecessary. The copious index on the third page of cover will be found helpful to all who, without understanding plant habits and classifications, wish to turn quickly to any species.

CHOICE ANNUALS FOR BLOOM THE FIRST SEASON.

ABRONIA.

Pretty, trailing plants, with prostrate branches several feet long, and clusters of sweet-scented flowers, somewhat like the Verbenas. Their habit well adapts them for baskets, rockwork and borders, and they are of easy culture, blooming most profusely in midsummer.

A. arenaria. Bright waxen yellow flowers. 5 cents per pkt.

A. *umbellata grandiflora*. Very large, fine clusters, of pure rose. 5 cents per pkt.

AGERATUM.

The *Ageratum*s are greatly valued for bedding on account of their neat, vigorous growth and free-blooming habit. They bloom the whole summer through, where sown early, and make fine pot plants for winter flowering. For cutting, too, they are much prized because of their soft, fluffy flower-clusters.

A. Lasseauxi. Very fine clusters of bright rose, borne long and abundantly; especially valuable for cutting. Sometimes classed with tender perennials, but blooms the first year from seed. 5 cents per pkt.

A. Mexicanum, Imperial Dwarf Blue. Flowers bright blue; plant very dwarf and free-blooming. 5 cents per pkt.

Ageratum.

Asters.

YOU WILL FIND HERE ALL THE FINEST NEW AND OLD FORMS AND COLORS OF THIS POPULAR FLOWER.

The Aster is a royal annual, glorifying the garden with a rich display of bloom until the Chrysanthemum, for which it is a fitting forerunner, begins to open its buds. As French, German and China Asters the different forms are well-known and grown in gardens everywhere. Our seed is choice and true to name, and the collection very large and fine, including all the most distinct and beautiful forms and every variety of rich colors.

COMET ASTERS.

The flowers of this variety, while large and perfect in shape, have not that precise regularity in the arrangement of petals which is sometimes wearisome in a large collection of Asters. The petals are long, wavy and twisted, giving to the flower a jaunty, graceful air, and forming a loose, yet dense half-globe, suggestive of a Japanese Chrysanthemum. The flowers average from

three to four inches across, and are borne thickly on pyramidal plants from 12 to 15 inches high. One of the best novelties lately introduced. Mixed seed, producing lovely flowers of rose, rose and white, light blue and lilac. See upper flower in cut. 10cts. per pkt.

NE PLUS ULTRA ASTER.

The flowers of this new and superb dwarf variety are large, perfectly double, and beautifully imbricated. The plants are very vigorous in growth, with stiff, upright branches, forming shapely, rounded bushes, which carry handsome crowns of flowers; their dwarf habit is well fixed; one foot. Mixed colors, 10 cts. per pkt.

BALL OR JEWEL ASTERS.

A beautiful and unique new class of Asters, with perfectly round, short-petaled blossoms on long stems, which make them particularly valuable for cutting and bunching. In color the flowers range from apple-blossom pink to purplish violet; the pale pink rose, and rose and white forms are bewitchingly pretty. The form of flowers and plants is well shown in a cut on following page. A flower is shown in Fig. 2 above. Mixed seed, 10 cts. per pkt.

SCARLET TRIUMPH ASTER.

The bright, vivid coloring of this Aster, large and handsome in form, renders it quite distinct and noticeable amid the largest collection. The brilliant petals have a glossy surface, and form a fine peony-shaped incurving flower, which droops just enough to be graceful. Plants free-flowering; 1 foot, 10c. per pkt.

BETTER KNOWN, FAVORITE VARIETIES.

LARGE-FLOWERING VICTORIA. Immense, showy flowers, perfectly double to the center, with regularly overlapping petals; distinguished in appearance and excellent for cutting. The plants form elegant pyramids, 18 inches high, and carry 15 to 20 flowers. Seed scarce. See Fig. 3.

Separate Colors. White, Azure Blue, Peach-Blossom, Rosy Carmine, Crimson and Dark Blue. Each, 10 cents per pkt.

Finest Mixed. All colors of above. 15 cents per pkt.

COCORDEAU, or CROWN. Flowers large and shapely, with a round center of white. See 5 in cut above. Mixed colors. 10 cents per pkt.

PEONY-FLOWERED PERFECTION. A perfect type of Aster, peerless in form, size and the rich and delicate colors of its flowers.

Separate Colors. Snow White, Brilliant Rose, Brilliant Scarlet and Light Blue. 10 cents per pkt.

DWARF LARGE-FLOWERING QUEEN. Early large-flowering variety, excellent for pots and borders. Flowers double, pure white. 10 cts. per pkt.

Comet Aster.

FAVORITE VARIETIES OF ASTER—continued.

LARGE-FLOWERING ROSE.

Jewel Aster.

A magnificent race of Asters, with large, brilliant, very double flowers of fine rose form, in all deep, rich, medium and daintily pale tints and colors. Plants one foot high. Fine mixed seed, roc. per pkt.

MIGNON. Flowers are elegant in shape, remain fresh a long while, and are especially useful for cutting; in form, height and habit the plants somewhat resemble the Victoria race, but bloom more freely. Fine mixed seed, 10 cents per pkt.

GERMAN EMPEROR. A fine race. Mixed colors, 10 cents per pkt.

BETTERIDGE'S QUILLED. Petals tubular, or quill-shaped, forming large, double flowers, of beautiful colors and striking appearance. Plants 1½ feet high. Mixed seed of finest sorts, 10 cents per pkt.

SCHILLER. A favorite for bouquets; plants 1½ feet tall, a mass of bloom of the most attractive colors. Mixed colors, 10 cents per pkt.

PYRAMIDAL-FLOWERED GERMAN. Branching plants 1½ feet tall and pyramidal in form, presenting a cone-shaped mass of flowers. Fine mixture of all colors, 10 cents per pkt.

POMPONE. Round, perfectly formed, very double flowers on long stems. One of the best Asters for bouquet-making, and frequently dyed for winter bouquets. Plants 1½ feet tall. 10 cents per pkt.

DWARF BOUQUET ASTERS. These form charming little plants, from 8 to 10 inches tall but quite branching, and each branch bears a flower large for the size of the plant. 10c. per pkt.

Boltze's Dwarf Bouquet. True and fixed in habit. Mixed seed, 10 cents per pkt.

Dwarf Pyramidal Bouquet. Tiny pyramids of flowers. 10 cents per pkt.

DWARF CHRYSANTHEMUM-FLOWERED. Mixed colors. 10 cents per pkt.

ADONIS.

These are showy, free-blooming plants, usually about a foot tall, with feathery foliage and large, brilliant flowers, appearing in early spring and lasting a long while. The plants are neat in habit and easily cultivated, thriving best in a rather shaded location.

A. æstivalis. Scarlet, with bright eye. 5 cents per pkt.

A. autumnalis (Pheasant's Eye). Intense dark red, with black center. 5 cents per pkt.

A. vernalis. See Perennials. 5 cents per pkt.

AGROSTEMMA.

(Rose Campion, Rose of Heaven, etc.) Exceedingly pretty and graceful flowers. Mixed seed, if sown early, will produce red, white, and red and white flowers combined. 5 cents per pkt.

ALONSOA LINIFOLIA GRACILIS.

(Mask-Flower.) A new and graceful form of an old favorite. The scarlet blossoms come true from seed, and are freely produced upon plants of pyramidal form. 5 cents per pkt.

Adonis Vernalis.

ALYSSUM, SWEET.

On account of its fragrance and delicate beauty the Sweet Alyssum is a great favorite for bouquets and house-culture, as well as for outdoor baskets and border-edging.

A. Benthami (maritimum). Trailing; flowers white, very sweet. 5 cents per pkt.

A. compactum erectum (Little Gem). Very dwarf and spreading, covering a wide circle thickly with its white flowers, which appear when the plants are quite small. 5 cents per pkt.

A. saxatile compactum. See Perennials.

ANAGALLIS.

(The Pimpernel.) Pretty little plants for rockwork or sunny borders, covering the ground with a mat of bright red or white, pink or purple flowers. The plants are low-growing, about six inches high. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

ARGEMONE SPECIOSA.

A showy, strong-growing plant, averaging two feet in height, with large poppy-like flowers and glaucous foliage which, in a large garden, are quite effective. 5 cents per pkt.

ARNEBIA CORNUA.

An interesting plant, shy-seeding and somewhat rare, with rich flowers of yellowish maroon, spotted with black.

The spots change color curiously from day to day; first they are black, then maroon, then pure yellow. From 100 to 150 spikes of flowers are sometimes seen on a single plant; when cut they remain fresh for a week or more. 25 cents per pkt.

BALSAMS.

(Impatiens, Lady's Ear Drop, Touch-me-not.) Few annuals in cultivation are so popular and easy to grow as the Balsam, or give such brilliant masses of beautiful flowers for as little care. The plants usually average about two feet in height, but transplanting seems to dwarf them and make the flowers more double. Some of them are as double and perfect as Camellias in form, and they range through all dark, rich, brilliant and delicate colors. The plants flower finest and longest in rich soil.

Double Rose-Flowered.

Flowers very large, double, and of perfect form. A fine mixture of all the best colors. 5 cents per pkt.

Improved Camellia-Flowered. Regular and perfect in form; large and full to the center. Finest mixture of all colors, 5 cents per pkt.

Double Miniature. Small, dainty, very perfect double flowers. All colors mixed, 10c. per pkt.

Florists' Best Double White. 10 cents per pkt.

Mixed Double. All kinds and colors, 5 cents per pkt.

BARTONIA AUREA.

A handsome species, with downy foliage and very fragrant, large, golden yellow flowers which open in the evening. The plants thrive well in any soil, and grow about three feet high. 5 cents per pkt.

BIDENS ATROSANGUINEA.

(Dahlia Zimpani.) A free-blooming, autumn-flowering plant, as bright and showy as the Calliopis. It grows about two feet tall, has tuberous roots, and seems to have no preference as to soil or situation; the flower-heads are blackish crimson. 10 cents per pkt.

BRACHYCOME IBERIDIFOLIA.

(Swan-River Daisy.) The flowers are light and graceful, borne profusely on long stems, and their color is blue or white, with dark center. The plants are spreading in habit, and about a foot tall. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

BROWALLIA ELATA.

(Amethyst.) This is a neat, compact little plant, which adapts itself well to any soil and situation, growing about a foot tall and blooming freely from June until frost. The dainty, odd, winged little flowers are white or blue, with a conspicuous eye. A favorite for windows, as well as gardens. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

CACALIA COCCINEA.

(Tassel Flower.) Popular both for bedding and cutting. The plants love a rich, sunny spot, where they bloom from early summer until late autumn. The tassel-shaped flowers are bright scarlet and borne in graceful clusters. 5 cents per pkt.

CALANDRINIA GRANDIFLORA.

A creeping plant, with large, rose-colored flowers, which make it one blaze of color whenever the sun shines. Like the Portulacae, it is well adapted to light, sandy soils and hot, dry situations—borders, edgings, mounds, baskets, etc. 10 cents per pkt.

CALENDULA.

(Pot Marigold.) Wherever a bright and constant mass of color is wanted the Calendulas prove useful, for they grow well anywhere, and cover themselves with gay flowers until frost.

- C. officinalis grandiflora, fl. pl.** Semi-dwarf, and very constant in the production of its handsome double flowers. New, and one of the best Marigolds in cultivation; the flowers are very large and brilliant. 5 cents per pkt.
- C. meteor.** Rich flowers of deep orange, striped with a lighter color; large and very double. 5 cents per pkt.

CALLIOPSIS, or COREOPSIS.

(Bright Eyes.) Gay and beautiful summer bedders, of graceful habit and easy culture, flowering profusely and continuously throughout the season. The long stems of the flowers, which though light and airy looking, are quite lasting, make them as popular for cutting as for garden culture.

C. Drummondii (Golden Wave). Pure bright yellow flowers, averaging two inches across, with an eye of rich, velvety brown. The plants are compact and

- bushy and bloom freely all summer. 5 cents per pkt.
- C. Mixed Varieties.** Will produce flowers of all the best forms and colors. 5 cents per pkt.

CELOSIA, or COCKSCOMB.

For Beds and Borders, Pot Culture and Winter Bouquets.

The odd and handsome flower-heads of the Celosias at once attract attention in any collection of plants, and are counted among our most popular annuals. The comb-shaped heads often attain enormous size, and are always gayly colored, many of them being relieved from any suggestion of coarseness by feathery cresting. The plants are not at all difficult to grow, but produce finer and brighter colored flowers if given rich soil. The dwarf varieties are now much used for pot culture, and are picturesquely odd and striking enough to enthrall even the Japanese. If cut before they are ripe, the heads retain their brilliancy a long while, and may be used for winter decoration in various ways. We offer a specially fine strain of seed saved from carefully selected combs.

- C. cristata nana, Dwarf Yellow.** Splendid, brightly colored heads of large size and fine form; plant strong, and but nine inches tall. 10 cents per pkt.
- C. —Empress.** One of the handsomest dwarf varieties grown; the rich crimson heads are enormous, yet quite shapely; plant no taller than the above. 10 cents per pkt.

Celosia cristata nana, Glasgow Prize.

- C. cristata nana, Glasgow Prize** (President Thiers, Tom Thumb.) Quite dwarf and distinct; plants a foot high; combs fine, deep crimson. 10 cents per pkt.
- C. japonica.** A tall, pyramidal plant, crowned with flower-heads of bright scarlet. 10 cents per pkt.

COSMOS.

As beautiful in its way as either Aster or Chrysanthemum, the Cosmos excels them both for cutting, its long, slender stems, airy graceful flowers and feathery foliage giving it an artistic, elegant air, with which all flowers are not favored. The plants are tall and strong-growing, from four to six feet high, and a perfect fountain of bloom from September until long after early frosts. Flowers large; range from pure white through delicate rose and lilac to crimson.

- C. hybridus, White Pearl.** Large, snow-white flowers. 10 cents per pkt.
- C. —Large-Flowering Pink and Large-Flowering Crimson** —each, 10 cents per pkt.

CONVOLVULUS MINOR.

(Dwarf Morning Glory, Ipomœa.) Remarkably handsome trailing plants, of luxuriant growth, with flowers of rich and vivid coloring. Well adapted for beds, borders, vases or baskets. The plants are about one foot high.

- C. Mauritanicus.** Fine bright blue flowers, with yellow throat; a very tender species. 5 cents per pkt.
- C. —tricolor.** Pretty flowers of soft blue. 5 cents per pkt.

For climbing varieties, see Ornamental Climbers.

Cosmos.

Summer-Blooming Chrysanthemums.

The annual Chrysanthemums are a showy and effective race of plants, constantly growing in favor with the public. They are quite distinct from the autumn-flowering varieties, and are usually grown in large beds, where their bright colors can show to advantage. Many of the varieties are popular for cutting.

- C. carinatum hybridum fl. pl.** A new strain, unique and distinct. The majority of the flowers are very double and bronzy yellow, tinged with red or rose, but some will be pure white or crimson, and of graceful, semi-double form, and it is hard to decide which are most beautiful. Frequently the center of the flower is dark crimson. 10 cents per pkt.
C. coronarium fl. pl. Fine double flowers of white or yellow. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.
C. — Double Yellow. Flowers large, pure yellow, very double. 5 cents per pkt.
 For Japanese varieties, see Greenhouse Plants.

CLARKIA ELEGANS.

Popular in many gardens because of its early and profuse-flowering habit. The plants average about 1½ feet in height, and the oddly formed, double flowers are bright rose, purple or white. Single and double, each 5 cents per pkt.

COSMIDIUM BURRIDGEANUM.

A showy, summer-blooming plant, about two feet in height, useful for both beds and borders. Flowers large, velvety brown or orange. 5 cents per pkt.

CENTAUREA.

- Favorite old-fashioned flowers, now very much the fashion. The quaintly pretty flowers have good stems and are brightly colored.
C. cyanus (Corn Flower). Flowers white or blue; plants about 18 inches tall, free-blooming. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.
C. — (Emperor William). Dark blue; fine. 5 cents per pkt.
C. moschata (Sweet Sultan). Sweet-scented flowers of blue, purple or white. 5 cents per pkt.
 For other varieties, see Foliage Plants.

Chrysanthemum carinatum.

CAMPANULA SPECULUM.

(Venus' Looking-Glass.) A pretty, hardy annual form of the Bellflower, covered with flowers of rich deep blue. 5 cts. per pkt.
 For other varieties of Campanula, see Perennials.

CENTRANTHUS MACROSIPHON.

Pretty, compact-growing plants, about a foot high, with corymbs of red or white flowers, produced freely all summer. Much used for bedding, etc. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

COLLINSIA.

All the Collinsias have brightly colored flowers, blooming in whorls, several of which cluster about each stem. The plants are continually in flower; 1½ feet. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

CERINTE GYMNDRA.

(Honeywort.) As much beloved by bees for its honey as by gardeners for its showy, fragrant flowers of white and yellow. 5 cents per pkt.

THE CROZY CANNAS.

(New Dwarf Large-Flowering French.)

For tropical foliage, large, brilliant flowers, constant bloom, neat, compact habit and rich effects in bedding, the Dwarf French Cannas have now few rivals in popular estimation. As pot plants for verandas or winter flowering, they are also great favorites. The seed should be soaked in hot water 8 or 10 hours before planting, and started early in hotbeds or in the house.

Fine Mixture of Crozy's New Hybrids. Choice seed, from dwarf, early-flowering plants, remarkable for fine flowers and foliage. 10 cents per pkt.

For Canna Tubers, see list of Bulbs for Spring Planting.

DATURA.

The waxen, funnel-shaped flowers of the Daturas are strikingly odd and handsome, and their fragrance is rich and distinct.

- D. fastuosa alba fl. pl.** The handsome double white Datura. 5 cents per pkt.
D. — Huberiana fl. pl. A choice mixture of the best colors. 5 cents per pkt.

D. CORNUCOPIA. Magnificent variety, of striking beauty. Plant very vigorous, growing to a height of three feet; stems dark purplish maroon, flowers very large and trumpet-shaped and are formed of two to three flowers, growing one within the other. Interior white, exterior purple and very fragrant. Extremely desirable as specimens in the garden. 10c. per pkt.

Carnations and Dianthus.

Annual Forms, Blooming soon after the Seed is Sown.

CARNATION MARGARET.

This new, dwarf, double form of the hardy Carnation, which blooms four months from the seed-sowing, and gives a large percentage of handsome double flowers, attracted wide attention from the time of its introduction, and is much admired and valued in all gardens where it has been tested. The plants are vigorous, dwarf and neat in growth, and, if sown under glass in March or April, begin blooming in early summer and yield a brilliant display of flowers until frost. Plants which have bloomed all summer in the garden are frequently potted for winter decoration, and bloom in the window for a long time; but for this purpose it is better to sow seed later in the season. The flowers are large, quite double and perfectly formed, never bursting the calyx, and show all colors and variegations through beautiful shades of red, pink and white. This is a specially fine Carnation for cutting, since, although the plant is dwarf, the stems are good and the flowers produced in great profusion. Eighty per cent. of the plants give double flowers, and may be planted so closely that the single ones when weeded out leave no unsightly gaps. These single flowers, however, are too pretty and graceful to be thrown away, and in many gardens are given a bed to themselves; they are as fragrant and finely colored as the double forms. Our seed is an improved and valuable strain, quite true and fixed in habit. Mixed, 15c. per pkt.; pure white, 15c. per pkt.

For other Carnations, see Seeds of Greenhouse Plants.

DIANTHUS.

Brilliant and Popular Garden Pinks.

For this gay and spicily fragrant flower of the garden no special recommendation or introduction is necessary; it is well loved and grown everywhere, and proves itself well worthy of general esteem by growing away

Note our fine collection of Pansies, on page 54.

sturdily in almost any soil, and covering its dense thicket of leaves and stems with brilliant masses of flowers. All the species and varieties named below bloom the first year from seed and give better satisfaction if sown yearly, the young plants producing larger, finer colored flowers than the old ones.

D. Chinensis fl. pl. (Double Chinese or Indian Pink). Flowers large and very double, in all rich colors; a fine mixture, 5c. per pkt.

D. — albus (Double White Chinese Pink). Flowers large and snowy. 5 cents per pkt.

D. Heddewigii (Japanese Pink). An especially brilliant race, with very large, richly colored flowers, which in the single form display their beautiful markings well. "Crimson Belle and Eastern Queen" are two notably handsome varieties, which with other fine ones, in many colors,

Carnations.

are included in this choice mixture of single sorts. 5 cents per pkt.

D. diadematus fl. pl. (The Double Japanese, or Diadem Pink). Flowers large and fine in form and very double, ranging through all colors, from deep, velvety crimson to delicate rose. One of the finest annuals grown. True seed, in finest mixture, 10 cts. per pkt.

D. imperialis fl. pl. (Double Imperial Pink). An extra-fine mixture, producing all colors of these handsome flowers. 5 cents per pkt.

D. barbatus (Sweet William). See Perennials.

COLLECTIONS OF DIANTHUS, including Margaret Carnation and above 5 varieties, 35 cents.

DAHLIA.

Every one does not know how easily fine Dahlias may be grown from seed, and that the plants bloom the first year, or more people would try it. A large percentage of the double varieties come true, while the single ones are always superb, giving flowers of most beautiful form and coloring, combined with graceful habit. The single Dahlias are favorites for corsage wear, and are in every way to be recommended. The seed must be started early, and the tubers dug and stored like potatoes, before frost. For Dahlia Tubers, see Summer-Blooming Bulbs.

Dwarf Tom Thumb. A new race of quite dwarf plants, very useful for bordering and pot-culture, and extremely floriferous. The unique little plants are compact and elegant in habit, and the single flowers come in rich stripes, or splendid self-colors. One of the best new plants of the year. 25 cents per pkt.

Mixed Single. Seed saved from the best named varieties. 10 cents per pkt.

Mixed Double. An extra-fine mixture, saved from the best double flowers; will produce a large proportion of double flowers, including bright and rich colorings. 10 cents per pkt.

ERYSIMUM PEROFFSKIANUM.

A free-blooming plant, about 1½ ft. high, with very fragrant, orange-yellow flowers, somewhat resembling those of the single Wallflower. It deserves to be more widely grown, and will be greatly prized as it becomes known to flower lovers. 5 cents per pkt.

Dianthus.

Dianthus.

EVERLASTINGS.

For winter bouquets the Everlastings are indispensable, as the straw texture of the flowers retains their shape and brilliant color indefinitely. They should be cut before they have opened fully, tied in bunches, and dried slowly in the shade, with the flower heads downward. For garden decoration, too, they are quite bright and pretty, yielding their flowers the first season, and requiring but little care.

ACROCLINIUM roseum fl. pl. Graceful, rose-colored flowers; plant a foot high. 5 cents per pkt.

A. — album. Flowers pure white. 5 cents per pkt.

AMMOBIUM alatum grandiflorum. Clusters of pure white flowers; plant about 2 feet high. 5 cents per pkt.

HELICHRYSUM nanum (Eternal Flower). Beautifully formed flowers, large, double and gay colored. The plants are dwarf and branching. A fine mixture of all colors, 5 cents per pkt.

GOMPHIRENA globosa (Bachelor's Button, Globe Amaranth.) An old favorite, with round flower-heads of red or white. Mixed seeds, 5 cents per pkt.

RHODANTHE, Fine Mixed. The most delicately beautiful of all the Everlastings; plants a foot high. 10 cents per pkt.

XERANTHEMUM annuum. Very bright, double, globe-shaped flowers, retaining their form and color longer than other sorts. All colors mixed, 5 cents per pkt.

SPECIAL OFFER OF EVERLASTINGS.—1 packet each of seven varieties, 30 cents.

ESCHSCHOLTZIA CALIFORNICA.

(California Poppy.) This, the California state flower, is brilliantly colored and poppy-like, shining with a silken luster in the sunshine. A bed of them is fairly dazzling, with its rich hues of orange, pure yellow, scarlet, creamy white, crimson and carmine. Mixed seed, 5c. per pkt.

Single and Double Gaillardias.

GAILLARDIA.

(Blanket Flower.) Showy bedding plants, averaging about two feet in height, and covered with flowers from midsummer until frost.

G. picta Lorenziana. Double flowers, in many bright colors. 5 cents per pkt.

GILIA.

Dwarf, free-flowering plants, of easy culture, much used for massing in beds, and for rockeries. Mixed seed of all the varieties, producing flowers of all colors. 5 cents per pkt.

GODETIA.

Bright and attractive little plants, which deserve a much larger share of attention than they now receive. They are compact and branching in habit, and always gay with a crop of pretty white, rose, or crimson flowers. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

GRASSES, ORNAMENTAL.

Beds of Ornamental Grasses, aside from their beauty and grace as lawn ornaments, furnish much beautiful material for winter decoration, for use in vases, bouquets of Everlastings, etc., if the heads are cut as soon as they have matured. The smaller, delicate ones are also pretty for mingling with summer flowers. Beds composed entirely of Grasses, with tall varieties in the center and lower ones for edging, are especially beautiful.

AGROSTIS nebulosa. Feathery and elegant; 1½ feet. 5 cents per pkt.

AVENA sterilis (Animated Oats). Pretty drooping heads; 2½ feet. 5 cents per pkt.

BRIZA maxima compacta. The large form of Quaking Grass; 1½ feet. 5 cents per pkt.

B. minima gracilis. Small Quaking Grass; 1 foot; elegant for bouquets. 5 cents per pkt.

BROMUS brizaeformis. Useful in many decorative ways, when dried; 2 feet. 5 cents per pkt.

COIX lachryma (Job's Tears). Broad blades and drooping seeds. 5 cents per pkt.

ERAGROSTIS elegans. The well known "Love Grass." 5 cents per pkt.

LAGURUS ovatus (Hare's Tail Grass). Small white spikes; 2 feet. 5 cents per pkt.

GYNERIUM argenteum (Pampas Grass). See perennials, 5 cents per pkt.

ZEa Japonica variegata. Striped Japanese Maize. 5 cents per pkt.

STIPA pennata (Feather Grass). See perennials. 5 cents per pkt.

TRICHOLENA rosea. Rose tinted; 2 feet. 10 cents per pkt.

One pkt. each, including perennials, 12 varieties, 50 cents.

HIBISCUS AFRICANUS.

Showy and effective, whether planted in beds, or among shrubbery. The large, cream-colored flowers have a rich dark brown center; the plant grows about two feet tall. 5 cents per pkt.

Everlasting Helichrysum.

Bromus brizaeformis.

Helianthus Annuus.

(Giant Russian Sunflower.) The largest species of Sunflower grown. Very tall and stately; grown principally for its seeds. Quite useful to produce food for poultry, and also as an absorber of miasma. Per oz., 5 cents; per lb., 25 cents, postpaid.

H. annuus, Double and Variegated-Leaved. Each, 5 cents per pkt.

IPOMOPSIS ELEGANS.

(Standing Cypress.) Handsome plants, with long spikes of red or bright scarlet flowers, and fine foliage. Properly a half-hardy biennial, but blooms the first year, if sown early. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

KAUFFUSSIA AMELLOIDES.

A good plant for edgings or pots; compact, free-blooming, from 6 inches to 1 foot high. The flowers are blue, violet, white, crimson or rose, and look something like single Asters. Quite graceful and pretty; should be more generally grown. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

MESEMBRYANTHEMUM CRYSTALLINUM.

(Ice Plant.) The glistening waxen leaves and stems of this plant suggested its common name; they are covered with a shining granular coat, which sparkles in the sun like ice. The flowers, too, are quite pretty and of various colors, pink, white, etc.; the plant is trailing, and about 6 inches high, its habit well adapting it for baskets, vases, borders and rockeries. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

NOLANA.

Beautiful, trailing border plants, with flowers in all shades of blue and yellow and white, shaped something like Morning-Glories and almost as freely produced. The plants are also admirable for hanging-baskets, rock-work, covering old stumps, etc. Mixed seed, 5 cents per packet.

IBERIS or CANDY-TUFT.

An old and universal favorite, largely cultivated, and continually in bloom; as valuable for cut-flow-ers as for edgings and masses, and always desirable.

Iberis amara. Clusters of pure white. Per pkt., 5 cts.

I. coronaria, Empress. Large, handsome trusses of pure white flowers; plant strong, and of candelabrum-like habit. Per pkt., 5 cts.

I. Tom Thumb. Very dwarf, forming a low, dense mass of green, against which the large clusters of white flowers show finely. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Candytuft.

MIRABILIS JALAPA.

(Marvel of Peru, Four O'clock.) Old favorites, with sweet-scented flowers of many different colors; they open in the afternoon, and wither in the morning. The plant may also be treated like a half hardy perennial, and the roots preserved as for Dahlias. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Marvel of Peru.

MARIGOLDS.

(See *Calendula* and *Tagetes*.)

The plants classed under both these names are very bright and showy, and grow and bloom freely in any soil. The African Marigolds (*Tagetes*) are taller-growing than the French or Pot Marigolds (*Calendula*), but the latter give the best flowers, and are more adaptable for all situations. For pot-culture and borders they are especially fine. All Marigolds begin blooming in midsummer, and continue to form bright masses of color until after frost.

For prices and varieties, see *Calendula* and *Tagetes*.

Double Marigold.

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on the third page of cover will help you to find any plant for which you are looking.

MIGNONETTE.

(Reseda Odorata.)

The Sweetest Annual of the Garden.

The matchless perfume of this modest flower renders it one of the most popular annuals grown. Even in the city hovels the tiny children eagerly watch and tend plants growing in broken bits of delf; and in luxurious homes the little flower is given an honored place in windows, gardens and conservatories, the seeds being sown for succession the year round. In form and color the flower-spikes have been greatly improved, but it is for their delicate, subtle fragrance that they will always be chiefly valued, for garden and window culture, and for the costliest as for the simplest bouquets.

Golden Queen. Plants dwarf and branching; flowers bright golden yellow. A new and favorite variety. 5 cents per pkt.

Giant Pyramidal. Plants strong and erect, with pyramidal spikes of very fragrant reddish flowers. 5 cents per pkt.

Machet. The best variety for pots, on account of its dwarf, strong growth and free-blooming habit. The flower-spikes are bright reddish maroon, thickly produced and very sweet. 10 cents per pkt.

Miles' Hybrid Spiral. Dwarf and branching, with white flower-spikes from 8 to 12 inches long. 5 cents per pkt.

Victoria. Flowers dark red and very fragrant. 10 cents per pkt.

Parsons' White. Long, well-formed spikes of strongly-scented flowers. 5 cents per pkt.
Large-Flowering. The old and well-known form of Mignonette, still as sweet as any. 5 cents per pkt.

White Spiral Mignonette.

Machet Mignonette.

LATHYRUS ODORATUS.

See Sweet Peas in Ornamental Climbers.

LAVATERA TRIMESTRIS.

A bright, free-blooming plant, growing about 2 feet tall and producing its showy red flowers all through the summer. 5 cents per pkt.

LEPTOSIPHON.

Beautiful both in flower and foliage, giving splendid effects when grown in masses, and also fine for ribbon work. The little plants are about 6 inches tall and of easiest culture. Various colors mixed. 5 cents per pkt.

LIMNANTHES DOUGLASII.

Pretty, low-growing plants, with very fragrant white and yellow flowers, much beloved by bees, and much grown for their benefit. 5 cents per pkt.

LUNARIA BIENNIS.

(Honesty.) Properly a hardy biennial, and must be sown in autumn or early spring for flowers the first year. The flowers are white and double; the seed-pods pretty. 5 cents per pkt.

LINUM GRANDIFLORUM RUBRUM.

(Scarlet Flax.) A bedding plant of great beauty, free-flowering and easy to grow. The blossoms are bright scarlet, and the stems and foliage fine. 5 cents per pkt.

LOBELIA ERINUS.

The Erinus forms of Lobelia are quite showy and free-blooming. The dwarf forms are used for edgings, vases, etc.; other sorts for beds. All are of easy culture.

L. erinus. Splendid dark blue flowers; trailing. 10 cts. per pkt.

L. — gracilis (light lue) and **albus** (pure white). Each, 10 cents per pkt.

L. compacta var. **lutes**: **Albus** (pure white), **Crystal Palace compacta** (dark blue), and **Prima Donna** (rich crimson). Each, 10 cents per pkt.

L. Goldense. A new variety, with golden yellow foliage and bright blue flowers. 20 cents per pkt.

LUPINUS.

(Sun-Beans.) Grow about 2 feet tall; very effective in mixed borders. The seed should be sown where the plants are to stand. Mixed seed of annual varieties, 5c. per pkt.

LARKSPUR.

The biennial, or Rocket Larkspurs, which bloom the first season, if sown early, are very showy. The flower-spikes are of bright colors. For other varieties, see Perennials.

Dwarf Double German Rocket. All colors mixed, 5 cents per pkt.

Tall Double German Rocket. All colors mixed, 5 cents per pkt.

MALOE GRANDIFLORA.

(Mallows.) Robust, branching plants, usually about 2 feet high, with large mallow-like red or white flowers, widely expanded and very pretty. Mixed seed of different sorts, 5 cents per pkt.

MATRICARIA CAPENSIS FL. PL.

(Double White Feverfew.) A great favorite for cutting and pot culture, as well as for beds and borders. The plants thrive well in almost all soils and situations, and bloom profusely from midsummer until frost. Flowers pure white and very double, borne in sprays on long stems; plant 18 to 20 inches tall. 5 cents per pkt.

MIMULUS.

(Monkey Flower.) The flowers of the Mimulus varieties are showy and oddly marked, the ground color usually being white or yellow, flaked and spotted with maroon, scarlet or crimson. The plants are dwarf and compact, and bloom continuously.

M. moschatus. The well-known mink plant, with strongly-scented yellow flowers. 10 cents per pkt.

M. tigrinus grandiflorus. Our mixture includes all the large-flowering new tigered and spotted varieties in many rich colors. 20 cents per pkt.

Lobelia erinus.

DWARF NASTURTIUMS.

Tor. Thumb Varieties, for Bedding.

None of the dear old-fashioned plants deserve their renewal of popularity better than the Nasturtium, so brilliant and varied in coloring, free in bloom, and picturesque in appearance. Its brave and hardy habit of growth, even in hottest suns and poor soils, once gave it the name of "the soldier's flower," which was well borne out by the rollicking air of the climbing varieties; but now the artists claim it, and its pale green, shield-shaped leaves and vivid flowers appear on all sorts of choice bric-a-brac, besides being prime favorites for cut-flower work and personal adornment. The Dwarf Nasturtiums form thick masses of leaves and flowers, not more than a foot in height.

Beauty. Very bright; flowers yellow and scarlet, of the most showy description. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 20 cts.

Empress of India. A splendid dark-leaved sort, with brilliant crimson flowers. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 25 cts.

Golden King. Large flowers of deep golden yellow. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 25 cts.

King Theodore. Dark, rich maroon, the petals looking as if cut from velvet. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 25 cts.

Aurora. A new and very beautiful variety, with flowers varying in color from primrose to pale pink, and lower petals tinged with carmine. Per pkt., 15 cts.; oz., 25 cts.

Fine Mixed of all sorts. Will produce flowers of many colors. Per pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 20 cts.

FOR CLIMBING NASTURTIUMS, see Ornamental Climbers.

NEMOPHILA.

A free-blooming little plant, of neat and compact habit, with oddly and beautifully colored flowers of blue, purple and white, in unusual markings and blendings. Loves a cool, moist soil. Mixed seed, per pkt., 5 cts.

NICOTIANA AFFINIS.

A stately and handsome plant, growing about 3 feet high, and producing quite fine effects with its broad, tropical foliage and clusters of large, tubular, fragrant flowers. Per pkt., 5 cts.

NIEREMBERGIA FRUTESCENS.

A charming plant for baskets and edgings. Although sometimes classed with hardy perennials, it blooms freely from seed the first year, and may, preferably, be treated as an annual. The flowers are white, tinted with lilac; plant about one foot high. Per pkt., 10 cts.

NIGELLA.

(Love-in-a-Mist.) A delicately pretty plant, with light blue or white flowers set in a mist of feathery green foliage, and bearing curious seed-pods. Of easy culture, and fine for borders or masses, serving well to relieve masses of dense color. Mixed seed, per pkt., 5 cts.

Tom Thumb Nasturtiums.

POPPIES.

OF ALL SORTS: Double and Single, Curious, Dainty and Flaunting.

The annual Poppies are quite as brilliant and effective for all purposes as the old-fashioned perennial sorts, which have so long held their own in public favor. They grow freely in any good soil, and are particularly well adapted to mixed borders, while as cut-flowers, in a fresh state, they are unexcelled for grace and beauty.

THE NEW TULIP POPPY

A splendid new species from Armenia, belonging to the *Rhæas* group. The plants grow from 12 to 14 inches tall, branch freely, and above their thick, glaucous green foliage bear brilliant crowns of from 50 to 60 large, vivid scarlet flowers. The two large outer petals open more widely than the inner ones, which curve protectively over the anthers; their rich, dazzling color at once suggests the Scarlet Duc Van Thol Tulip. The plants begin to bloom in early June, and continue until late in August. A bed or mass of them in full flower is strikingly beautiful, and attracts the eye, even from a long distance. Per pkt., 10 cts.

SINGLE POPPIES.

Shirley (*Papaver Rhæas*). A new and famous race of semi-double Poppies, with daintily marked and colored flowers, whose light, gauzy appearance is due to the absence of any tinge of black, even in the scarlet blossoms. Mixed seed, producing flowers of many different colors, white, pink, and scarlet, delicately edged, striped and blotched, per pkt., 10 cts.

Danebrog. Brilliant scarlet, with a large white spot at the base of each petal, forming a Maltese cross. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Single Mixed. All the best sorts and colors. Per pkt., 5 cts.

DOUBLE POPPIES.

Mikado. Distinct and novel in the form and coloring of its flowers, which are quaint and charming from an artistic standpoint. Each blossom is a large, soft ball of finely divided petals, pure white at the base, flaming into brilliant crimson scarlet toward the tips. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Peony-flowered Double. A magnificent race of Poppies, large, very double and shapely, brilliantly colored, free-blooming, and more lasting than is usual with Poppy flowers. Mixed seed of many varieties, per pkt., 5 cts.

White Swan. Very handsome, snowy flowers; graceful, of fine size, fringed and double. Per pkt., 5 cts.

For other varieties of Poppies, see Perennials.

Shirley Poppy.

HERE ARE ALL THE
FINEST KINDS OF
PHLOXES AND
PETUNIAS.

Phlox Drummondii.

All New Varieties and Colors of the "Flame-Flower."

The Drummond Phloxes have every quality desirable in a fine bedding plant. With the brilliancy and variety in color they combine grace and refinement of form, a free and constant blooming habit, neat, compact growth and ease of culture. A few packets of seed, costing but a few cents each, will give gay beds of rich and dazzling flowers all summer long. Costlier seeds and plants can produce no finer effects.

FANCY VARIETIES.

Of especial value for Bouquet-making.

- P. Drummondii fimbriata.** Large clusters of flowers, with fringed petals, light and elegant in effect. Mixed colors. 10 cents per pkt.
P. —cuspidata. The new Star Phloxes. Pretty star-shaped flowers, forming a lace-like cluster. Mixed colors. 10 cents per pkt.
P. —cuspidata and fimbriata Mixed. A choice mixture of the 2 fancy sorts above. 10c. per pkt.

THE LARGE-FLOWERING SECTION.

Flowers as Large as in the Perennial Class

- P. Drummondii grandiflora alba.** Flowers pure white. 10c. per pkt.
P. —striata. Richly striped with red and rose. 10 cents per pkt.
P. —Chamois Rose. A new and charming color. 10 cts. per pkt.
P. —Isabellina. Flowers yellow; distinct and new. 10 cts. per pkt.
P. —coccinea. Vivid scarlet flowers. 10 cents per pkt.
P. —Mixed Varieties. All varieties mixed. 5 cts. per pkt.

Collection of one packet each of *Grandiflora* varieties, including the mixture, 6 pkts. for 50 cts.

New Dwarf Drummond Phlox.

(Phlox Drummondii nana compacta.) For ribbon lines and massing, pot-culture, vases, baskets, etc., these Dwarf Phloxes are quite an acquisition, as they are of neat, compact habit, seldom growing more than 6 or 8 inches high, and quite as brilliant and free-blooming as other sorts. Thus the charm of a perfect carpet of bloom which is possessed by the taller varieties is here intensified by the compact habit and dwarf growth of this species. A choice mixture, including many kinds and colors. 10 cents per packet.

BE SURE TO PLANT
SOME PHLOXES
AND PETUNIAS
FOR BOUQUETS
AND BEDDING.

Some Plain and Fancy Forms of
Phlox Drummondii.

Petunias.

Single and Double Large-Flowering, Choice and Fancy Strains.

No annual of the garden is more lavish with its flowers, or more readily adaptable to any and every purpose than the Petunia. So popular has it become that enthusiasts have given years of patient care to its improvement, and we now have superb show varieties fringed, ruffled and double, mottled, striped and self-colored.

PETUNIA GRANDIFLORA INTUS AUREA.

A strikingly handsome race of Petunias, with large and beautifully veined flowers, distinguished by their yellow throats. They are very effective, either for pots or bedding, and come quite true from seed. 25 cents per pkt.

RUFFLED GIANT.

This is the grandest strain of Petunias ever sent out. The large, beautiful, fluffy blossoms are handsomely crimped, fringed and ruffled, and come in many exquisite colors: white, rose, velvety crimson-black, etc. The seed is very scarce as yet. 25 cents per pkt.

LARGE-FLOWERING SINGLE AND FRINGED VARIETIES.

Petunia grandiflora fimbriata. A choice mixture from superb strains, combining extreme elegance of form with a great diversity of bright and delicate colors. 50 cents per pkt.

- P. —Fringed and Plain.** Handsome flowers of many different colors. 25c. per pkt.
P. —Mottled and Striped. Odd and rich in effect. 25 cents per pkt.

SINGLE HYBRIDS.

- P. hybrida nana compacta, Inimitable Dwarf.** Bushy plants from 5 to 8 inches high, with regularly striped flowers; fine both for pots and masses. 10 cts. per pkt.
P. —Inimitable Striped and Blotched. Finely shaped flowers, with stelliform blotches. All sorts. 10 cents per pkt.
P. —Fine Mixed. 5 cents per pkt.

LARGE-FLOWERING DOUBLE SORTS.

A choice mixture, which will produce strong, branching plants, prodigal of handsome flowers, very double and waxen, in all the best colors; the lighter tinted ones are especially beautiful. \$1. per pkt.

SUPERB SHOW AND BEDDING PANSIES.

We wish to call especial attention to our large and fine assortment of Pansy seed, which includes all famous and distinct large-flowering strains, and in separate colors all the most desirable shades and blendings. The collection is quite complete, and contains only the finest and purest strains.

A garden without Pansies is an anomaly, nowadays, for their bewitching flower-faces are grown and loved everywhere. The plants will live on from year to year, like other species of Violets, but the flowers become smaller as the parent stem grows old, and so for a continual supply of flowers, the seeds are sown twice a year—in spring and autumn.

Superb Mixture of Choicest Large-flowering Varieties. 25 cents per pkt.

Fine Mixed. Plants compact and neat; flowers large. 10 cents per pkt.

Good Mixed. Saved from many fine sorts; all colors. 5 cents per pkt.

SHOW OR PRIZE PANSIES.

Odier, or Blotched. Superb flowers, with large eyes and beautiful blotches. 25 cts.

Bugnot's Large-Flowered. A strain famous for the size, beauty, and rich colors of its flowers. 25 cents per pkt.

Bugnot's Superb Blotched. Immense, broad-petaled flowers, of beautiful shape, with very large blotches; new; shy seeding. 25 cents per pkt.

Cassier's Extra Large-Flowered Five-Blotched. A very rich and showy strain; flowers striking, and extremely large. Seeds saved from model flowers. 25c. per pkt.

EVERY GARDEN CAN AFFORD
A FINE BED OF PANSIES.

PANSIES IN SEPARATE COLORS.

- * **TRIMARDEAU atropurpurea.** Dark purple. 15c.
- * " **Emperor William.** Ultramarine. 15 cts.
- * " **King of the Blacks.** Purplish black. 15 cts.
- * " **Lord Beaconsfield.** Violet to pale blue. 15c.
- " **Yellow, with Black Eye.** Handsome. 20c.
- " **Yellow marbled.** 15 cents.
- " **White, with Purple Eye.** 25 cents.
- " **Striped and Blotched.** 15 cents. □
- GIANT TRIMARDEAU MIXED.** Flowers enormous. 15 cts.
- * **Snow Queen.** Pure white, with no dark eye. 10 cent per pkt.
- Fire King.** Upper petals purple; lower bright yellow. 10 cts.
- Havana Brown.** Deep and light brown. 10 cents per pkt.
- * **Purplish Violet.** 10 cents per pkt.
- Quadrangular.** Lower petals purple; upper sky-blue. 10 cts.
- Atropurpurea albo-marginata.** Deep purple, edged white, a charming flower. 10 cents per pkt.
- **aurea-marginata.** Gold, margined purple. 10 cts. per pkt.
- **Pelargoniflora.** Flowers of handsome shape. 10 cts. per pkt.

- Atropurpurea Auriculiflora.** New and striking. 10 cents.
- * **Fire Dragon.** Bronze and orange; purple eye. 10 cts. per pkt.
- Gloriosa.** Velvety purplish violet. 10 cents per pkt.
- Oculata argentea.** Fine flowers, with white center. 10c. per pkt.
- **aurea.** Yellow-centered. 10 cents per pkt.
- Prince Bismarck.** Marbled brown and golden bronze. 10c. per pkt.
- Rex.** Blackish violet-purple. 10 cents per pkt.
- * **Rubra.** Deep red and mahogany shades. 10 cents per pkt.
- * **King of the Blacks.** The darkest Pansy grown; very effective in contrast. 10 cents per pkt.
- Black, Tinted with Golden Bronze.** 10 cents per pkt.
- Good Mixed.** 5 cents per pkt.

The varieties, marked with an asterisk (*) are best for bedding.

SPECIAL OFFER OF PANSIES: Collection of any 10 varieties quoted above in 10 cent pkts., 75 cts. Collection of 17 varieties as quoted in 10 cent pkts., \$1.25. Collection of 7 Trimardeau varieties quoted above, 90 cents.

Cut-and-Come-Again Stock.

STOCKS.

For an Early and Profuse Display of Brilliant Flowers.

We offer a fine selection of varieties of this favorite old-fashioned flower, so fragrant and free-blooming, and so easy to grow, either in beds or pots. Almost all the species and varieties have long, handsome spikes of flowers, which are admirable for cutting, and remain fresh a long while. The Ten-Weeks Stocks are especially popular, because they bloom so soon after the seed is sown, **Dwarf Queen.** Dark blood-red; same habit as Snowflake. 15 cents per pkt.

Snowflake. Very early flowering, and indispensable for forcing. Vigorous dwarfs of the Wallflower-leaved section; produce long spikes of large, double, snow-white flowers. 15 cents per pkt. **Victoria Bouquet.** An exceedingly pretty new variety, with fine spikes of dark blood-red flowers. 15 cents per pkt.

LARGE-FLOWERING TEN-WEEKS STOCKS.

The plants flower ten or twelve weeks after the seed is sown. We offer a colored strain of this in separate colors: **Pure White, Flesh-Colored, Chamois-Butt, Carmine, Dark Crimson, Dark Blood Red, Copper Red, Light Blue, Chestnut-Brown, Pink, Scarlet, Crimson, Rose.** 10 cents each; mixed, 10 cents.

FAVORITE TALL VARIETIES.

Cut-and-Come-Again. A popular name for an unusually free-blooming species. The plants grow about 2 feet high, if the seed is sown early, and send out numerous side-branches, each of which bears a cluster of pure white, fragrant flowers, beautifully shaped and very double. They are very useful for cutting, and this only seems to make the blooms come thicker. From spring until late in fall the plants are covered with flowers, and they thrive equally well in pots or beds. 10 cents per pkt.

Globe-Flowered Pyramidal. Plants strong and tall in habit; flower-spikes long, showy and plentiful. Mixed seed of different colors. 10 cents per pkt.

VIRGINIAN STOCKS.

(Malcolmia.) Pretty, profuse-flowering little plants, about 3 inches tall, with clusters of red and white flowers. They are very useful for borders and edgings, and grow well anywhere. 5 cents per pkt.

MATHIOLA BICORNIS.

Another pretty relative of the Stock, with delightfully fragrant lilac flowers. A capital edging plant for dry and sunny exposures. 5 cents per pkt.

POLYGONUM ORIENTALE.

(Persicaria.) Fine and showy for backgrounds. With slight protection the plants live and bloom from year to year. They grow about 2 feet tall, and their red flowers open late in the season. 10 cents per pkt.

PORTULACA.

Sturdy, little trailing plants, that bloom brightest during our warmest, driest weather. Beds of them form brilliant rainbows of color on sunny mornings.

Single Mixed. Large flowers, in many rich, bright colors. 5 cents per pkt.

Double Mixed. A large percentage of the flowers will be as double as little Roses; single ones should be weeded out as soon as they bloom. 10 cents per pkt.

SALPIGLOSSIS.

This elegant half-hardy annual flowers in late summer and autumn. The blossoms are velvety, with deep veins and markings, lily-shaped, and quaintly lovely. Our seed will give flowers in all rich deep and delicate colors. 5 cents per pkt.

Salvia.

(Flowering Sage.) Magnificent bedding plants, all ablaze with long spikes of blue or scarlet flowers from June until October; 1 to 2 feet tall.

S. patens. Leaves silvery; flowers large, and beautiful sky-blue; tenderer than *S. splendens*. 25 cents per pkt.

S. splendens. Flowers bright scarlet; a general favorite. 10 cents per pkt.

SANVITALIA PROCUMBENS.

A dwarf-growing plant, continually bright with single golden-yellow flowers. It thrives well in all soils, and is very popular for edgings and rockeries. 5 cents per pkt.

SAPONARIA CALABRICA.

(Bouncing Bet.) A hardy and robust annual, growing into thick clumps, and producing masses of fragrant red, cruciform flowers. 5 cents per pkt.

SCABIOSA.

(Mourning Bride.) The tufted, double flowers of the Scabiosa are curious and pretty, and abundant until frost. It is an old-fashioned flower, still deservedly popular; indeed, it has all the charms of novelty to many of the younger flower-lovers. Mixed seed of different varieties, 5 cents per pkt.

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VERBENAS.

Seeding Verbenas are more robust in growth and produce larger and finer flowers than those grown from cuttings, and the light-colored varieties frequently have fragrant flowers when grown from seed. This is one of our brightest and best bedding plants, and its fine trusses of flowers represent every shade of every color except yellow. Plants from seed sown early in spring keep their beds gay with flowers from midsummer until frost; they are trailing in habit, and wide-spreading, loving a rich, sandy soil, plenty of room and full sunshine. No finer seed than ours can be procured anywhere.

Verbenas hybrida grandiflora (Mammoth Varieties). This superb strain might almost be called a new race, so great an improvement is it on the older varieties, both in size and color of flowers and habit of plants. The florets average an inch in diameter, and have clearly defined margins and large white centers. The trusses are large in proportion, and borne in great profusion upon robust, vigorous plants. Seed from finest flowers. White, Scarlet, Pink and Mixed, ea., 10c. pkt.

- V. — **nana compacta** (New Dwarf Varieties). Of very dwarf and spreading habit, requiring no pegging down. Mixed seed, 15 cents per pkt.
- V. — **Choice Mixed**. Seed saved from finest flowers, 5 cts. per pkt.
- V. — **cœrulea**. Large, sky-blue flowers, with white centers; very bright and true from seed. 10 cents per pkt.
- V. — **candissima**. Large clusters of pure white flowers. 10 cts. pkt.
- V. — **Defiance**. Bright scarlet flowers; brilliant bedder. 10 cts. per pkt.
- V. — **Italian Striped**. 10 cents per pkt.

TAGETES.

(Double French and African Marigold.) Showy plants for midsummer and autumn bloom. One to two feet tall, free-flowering and easy to grow. See also *Calendula*.

Tagetes erecta, Eldorado. The finest of the double African Marigolds. The flowers average from 10 to 14 inches across, are very double, and of bright golden orange and primrose shades. 10 cents per pkt.

- T. **patula fl. pl.** (Tall Double French Marigold). Mixed seed, producing flowers of various bright colors, 5 cents per pkt.
- T. — **nana** (Dwarf Double French Marigold). Plants low and compact. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.
- T. **signata pumila**. Dwarf plants, which form a true "gilt edge" for beds. 5 cents per pkt.

TRIFOLIUM SUAVEOLENS.

(Sweet-Scented Clover.) A great favorite in gardens on account of its deliciously scented flowers. By all means sow a little of it in an out-of-the-way corner. 5 cents per pkt.

VENDIDIUM CALENDULACEUM.

Compact, bushy little plants, about 6 inches high, with long, woolly leaves, and a profusion of large, bright yellow flowers shaded with orange. 5 cents per pkt.

VISCARIA.

Bright and abundant bloomers, very effective when grown in masses. The plants average about a foot in height, and the flowers are all tints and shades of red, from scarlet to pale rose and pure white. 5 cents per pkt.

New Mammoth Verbena.

WHITLAVIA.

Beautiful bell-shaped flowers of white or blue, borne in clusters above the delicate foliage of the plants. Well adapted to baskets, vases, mixed borders and partially shaded locations. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

ZINNIA ELEGANS.

(Youth and Old Age.) The different varieties of Zinnias have been much improved in habit of growth and form of flowers within the last few years, and all of them, but especially the dwarf sorts, give gay effects in bedding. The taller sorts are very useful for mixed borders or massing in large clumps.

- Z. **grandiflora plenissima** (The New Giant Zinnia). Very large and double flowers of handsome form, in all the rich Zinnia colors; plants strong, erect and branching. 5 cents per pkt.
- Z. — **parviflora** (The Liliput-Flowered Zinnias). Tiny flowers of double, perfect form; unique and charming for bouquets. All colors. 5 cents per pkt.
- Z. **elegans, Double Mixed**. Many kinds and colors. 5 cts. per pkt.
- Z. — **Curled and Crested**. Finely varied flowers. 5 cts. per pkt.

BULBS FOR SPRING BLOOMING.

It is hardly possible to exaggerate the pleasure to be derived by the lover of flowers from the culture of bulbs. Their variety is so great, and the characteristics of foliage and blooms are so diverse, that there is continual delight in watching the growth and development of the different specimens of this large and interesting branch of the floral kingdom. True, to obtain them requires forethought, care, and about the same degree of watchfulness as is necessary to success in any branch of the gardener's art. It is not unusual to hear expressions of a desire to have these flowers, when the dazzling blooms strike the eye in the balmy days of spring. But it is then too late for the immediate realization of this desire. The bulbs must be obtained and planted in the fall. This done, time and nature will combine to produce an abundance of beautiful flowers to gratify and delight the grower.

We issue every August a catalogue of bulbs, containing a large list of the choicest varieties, first-class stock, with directions for culture. A copy of this catalogue is regularly sent to our old patrons, whose names are on our list, and will be sent free to any one else on application.

Seeds of Hardy Perennials.

MANY PERENNIALS BLOOM THE FIRST SEASON IF SOWN EARLY.

THE permanent character of the Hardy Perennials, which live and bloom from year to year for an indefinite period, with but little care, renders them very popular among all classes of gardeners. Some of our very finest flowers are to be found among these plants for the hardy garden, many of which, though old-fashioned, are dear through associations.

ACONITUM NAPELLUS GRANDIFLORUM.

(Monk's-Hood.) The curious, helmet-shaped flowers of the Monk's-Hoods are quite pretty and striking, and are produced on tall stalks above the finely cut foliage. *A. Napellus grandiflorum*, perhaps the finest variety, is very prodigal of its unusually large bright purple flowers, which last from midsummer until late in autumn. Per pkt., 10 cts.

ADONIS VERNALIS.

A bright, early spring-flowering perennial, with large, showy flowers of sunshiny yellow. Per pkt., 5 cts.

For annual varieties, see Seeds of Flowers that Bloom the First Season.

ÆTHIONEMA GRANDIFLORA.

The dainty, rose-colored flowers of this elegant little plant are produced in great abundance, as it spreads itself rapidly over sunny beds, borders, rockwork, etc., to which it is particularly well adapted. It deserves much wider culture. Per pkt., 5 cts.

ALYSSUM SAXATILE COMPACTUM.

A low-growing, hardy form of this popular little plant, with light green, silky foliage and golden yellow flowers. Very useful for carpeting shaded places and rockeries with a dense mat of green. Per pkt., 5 cts.

For other varieties, see Annuals.

ANCHUSA ITALICA.

A free-blooming little plant, quite pretty, and much sought by bees for the rich store of honey contained in its intense blue flowers. It is remarkably effective for borders, shaded situations and shrubberies. Per pkt., 10 cts.

ANEMONE.

The single garden Anemones are old favorites, and among our earliest spring flowers. Their blossoms are various shades of scarlet, purple, blue and white, sometimes elegantly striped. Fine mixed. Per pkt., 5 cts.

ANTIRRHINUM. (Snapdragon.)

The Snapdragons bloom the first year if sown early, and make very bright and showy bedding plants. Varieties with dark flowers are rich and velvety in depth of color. The dwarf sorts grow only 6 or 8 inches tall; other species average about a foot in height.

A. majus, Tall Mixed. Seed from fine flowers of best colors. Per pkt., 5 cts.

A. minus, Tom Thumb, Mixed. All colors; fine for bedding. Per pkt., 5 cts.

AQUILEGIA.

(The Columbine.) These very handsome, free-blooming perennials bear a bright profusion of elegantly and curiously shaped flowers in many bright and delicate colors. Their graceful form is well shown in the illustration on this page. The plants are quite hardy, grow about 2 feet tall, and display their flowers well against a mass of light and pretty foliage. One of our best plants for cutting.

Aquilegia Chrysantha. Gold-Spurred Columbine. New, and much admired; flowers large, and bright golden yellow. Per pkt., 10 cts.

A. grandiflora alba. Large, snow-white flowers, with long spurs. Per pkt., 10 cts.

A. vulgaris fl. pl. Double varieties mixed. These will give an abundance of odd and very pretty flowers. Per pkt., 10 cts.

A. glandulosa vera. Per pkt., 10 cts.

ARABIS ALPINA.

A low-growing, very hardy little plant, which covers its mat of green leaves thickly with pretty white flowers very early in the spring. A good plant for rockwork and edgings. Per pkt., 5 cents.

ARMERIA MARITIMA.

(Thrift, Sea-Pink.) Dwarf, hardy plants, much used for edgings. The rosy pink flowers are borne in clusters above the tufts of leafage. 5 cents per pkt.

ASPERULA ODORATA.

(Sweet Woodruff.) This plant is noted as being the principal ingredient of "Maitrank," but is grown in most gardens for its clusters of white, sweet-scented flowers, which are very pretty for bouquets. Low-growing, six inches high. 5 cents per pkt.

AURICULAS, or HARDY PRIMULAS.

Cowslips, or Hardy Primroses, are favorite early spring flowers, with clusters of bright blossoms in different shades of red and yellow. The clumps increase rapidly.

Primula Auricula. Mixed seed of best varieties. 10 cents per pkt.

P. elatior (Polyanthus). Choice mixed seed, from large flowers. 10 cents per pkt.

P. Vulgaris. The true, fragrant yellow Primrose. 10 cents per pkt.

BONCONIA JAPONICA.

Stately foliage plants for lawns or pots, with large and beautiful leaves. 5c. per pkt.

BELLIS PERENNIS.

The Favorite Double English, or Burns' Daisy.

This dainty little flower is a favorite everywhere, with practical gardeners and people of refined tastes, as well as with poets. It is of easy culture, and grows well in all soils, if given a rather moist, shaded situation. Flowering plants grow off readily from seed sown in the border in early spring, or in boxes in the house. They seldom exceed 6 inches in height, and bloom from spring until mid-summer; in some localities sparingly in autumn. An exquisite plant for shady borders and edgings to beds, or for window-boxes in a cool room, where in winter flowers are sent up thickly, forming rainbows of pink and white.

Bellis perennis fl. pl. Flowers double. Mixed colors, 10 cents per pkt.

B. — maximus. A choice, large-flowering strain. Mixed colors, 25c. per pkt.

B. — alba. Extra double, large white flowers. 10 cents per pkt.

B. — Longfellow. A very choice variety of recent introduction. The bright rose-colored flowers are very large and double, and borne on long, stiff flower-stalks; an exquisite flower for cutting. 25 cents per pkt.

B. — Snowball. A pure white variety of the Daisy, with flowers very large and perfect, and long stems. 25c. pkt.

CALLIRHOE LINEARILoba.

The lilac and white flowers of this plant are produced the first year if the seed is started early. It is a modest but very pretty hardy perennial, and deserves wider cultivation. 5 cents per pkt.

Dianthus Barbatus. (Sweet William.)

Snowball Daisy.

CAMPANULA.

(Bellflower.) Handsome hardy herbaceous perennials, very popular for mixed beds and borders. They bear a profusion of large, bell-shaped flowers in blue, rose, pink and white.

Campanula pyramidalis. Flowers in many shades of blue. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

C. media calycanthema (Cup and Saucer). Handsome flowers in many tints of blue, rose and white. The large colored calyx forms a pretty saucer, or setting, for the bell, or cup. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

C. — (Canterbury Bell). Produces large, nodding, bell-shaped flowers of charming form and many beautiful shades; single and double. Each, 5 cents per pkt.

C. speculum (Venus' Looking Glass). See Seeds that Bloom the First Season. 5 cents per pkt.

COREOPSIS LANCEOLATA.

One of our finest hardy perennials; the flowers are large and golden yellow, borne on long stems; the plant is very hardy, and flowers freely; very fine for cutting. 5 cents per pkt.

CRUCIANELLA STYLOSA.

Low, tufted plants, seldom more than the greater part of the summer. Pkt. 5c.

DELPHINIUM.

Perennial Larkspurs, although not so showy as the annual sorts, are indispensable to the hardy garden, because of their long and graceful spikes of bright blue flowers. Often branches grow 3 feet high, with flower-spikes from 5 to 10 inches long.

Delphinium Cashmerianum. Long spikes of deep blue blossoms, something like those of the Monk's-Hood. 10 cents per pkt.

D. formosum. Rich blue flowers, with white centers. Splendid mixture. 10c. per pkt.

D. Mixed. 5 cents per pkt.

DIANTHUS.

Dianthus Barbatus (Sweet William). Besides their well-known value as attractive, profuse blooming garden plants, the Sweet Williams have lately begun to be appreciated for cutting, especially the white varieties. The flowers remain fresh for a long time, have good stems, and a rich, quaint perfume.

D. — Single Mixed. All the best colors, 5 cents per pkt.

D. — fl. pl., Mixed Seed. Seed from fine double flowers of many colors. Pkt. 10 cts.

D. Gardnerianus (Double Hardy Garden, or Grass Pink). This species is in perfection about the first of June. The foliage is more grass-like and the plant much harder than the carnation. 5 cts. per pkt.

D. Plumarius (Double Pheasant's-Eye Pink). Double fringed flowers, fragrant, of white, crimson or purple shades. 10 cents per pkt.

DICTAMNUS FRAXINELLA.

(Gas Plant.) The bright red flower-spikes of this plant are often a foot long, and are pleasantly fragrant. It grows well, and flowers profusely in any good soil, giving striking effects in mixed borders. 10 cents per pkt.

DIGITALIS.

The Foxglove is a stately, handsome plant, growing from 3 to 4 feet high in good soil. Its fine, waxen flowers droop gracefully from long spikes, upon which they are set thickly. Planted among shrubbery, or as a background for lower plants, it gives great satisfaction. Mixed seed, 5 cents per pkt.

DODECATHEON CLEVELANDI.

(Giant American Cowslip.) A California plant of great beauty, with flower-stems a foot high, each bearing from 6 to 10 large, blossoms of Cyclamen shape; in color they are rich violet blue, with centers of yellow and black. One of our finest plants for partially shaded situations. 10 cents per pkt.

GEUM ATROSANGUINEUM.

A fine plant for any purpose, but particularly well adapted for growing among shrubbery, where its spikes of dazzling scarlet flowers are shown most effectively. It is also useful as a cut-flower. 10 cents per pkt.

GLADIOLUS GANDAVENSIS.

The hardiest species of this valuable and elegant genus. If left in the ground over winter the bulbs should be protected with a mulch of manure, leaves or straw. Our seed is a splendid mixture of the best varieties. 25 cents per pkt.

GYNERIUM ARGENTEUM.

(Pampas Grass.) The silvery plumes of the Pampas Grass, though massive, are very light and graceful in effect, and are much used for all sorts of indoor decoration. For clumps upon lawns the plant is elegant and striking, and usually grows from 6 to 8 feet high. It thrives better if given some winter protection. 5 cents per pkt.

GYPSOPHILA PANICULATA.

(Baby's Breath.) A dainty, mist-like plant, with sprays of small, white star-shaped flowers and delicate foliage. For bouquets and cutting it is exquisite, and for border masses very profuse in bloom. It grows well, if given ordinarily good soil and care. 5 cents per pkt.

Hollyhocks.

Chater's Superb Strain: Fine Colors in Separate Packets.

This stately and handsome old-fashioned plant has become as popular as the Dahlia for autumn decoration. Of late years it has been greatly improved, and its tall spikes of double, silken flowers, are magnificent, when grown either in clumps or lines. Chater's Hollyhocks have become famous everywhere as the finest strain grown; our seed is pure and true.

Separate Colors. Pure White, Scarlet, Golden Yellow, Peach, Dark Crimson, 10 cents per pkt.; the 5 varieties for 40 cents.

LARKSPUR. (See Delphinium.)

LAVANDULA VERA.

(Lavender.) A favorite hardy perennial, grown for its fragrant leaves and flowers, which retain their fragrance when cut and dried. With our grandmothers it was a favorite for scenting linen chests and closets. 5 cents per pkt.

LOBELIA CARDINALIS.

(Cardinal Flower.) Long spikes of intense scarlet flowers; one of the most brilliant plants in cultivation. Suitable for all situations. 10 cents per pkt.

LYCHNIS.

The flowers of the Lychnis are exceedingly bright and pretty, and, if the seed is started early, the plants will bloom the first year. They usually grow about two feet in height. Mixed seed of Scarlet, Orange, Rose and Crimson varieties, 5 cents per pkt.

MYOSOTIS.

(Forget-Me-Not.) The Forget-Me-Nots thrive best in moist, shaded places, forming neat, compact little plants, bright with graceful sprays of starry blue flowers, which form one of the chief attractions of the garden in early spring. For pot-culture, too, they are very pretty, if given cool treatment, and frequently bloom the first season.

Myosotis palustris (The true Forget-Me-Not). Flowers bright blue, with a large, golden yellow eye. 10 cents per pkt.

M. Alpestris Victoria. A new dwarf variety, which forms shapely, rounded plants, and is well adapted to pot-culture, although it loves the hardy garden quite as well. Its sky-blue flowers are borne in thick clusters, the center ones being double. 25 cents per pkt.

Five Fine Double Hollyhocks.

Pampas Grass.

Perennial Phlox.

(Phlox decussata.) Nothing in the long ranks of hardy perennial plants can vie with the hardy Phloxes in brilliancy and profusion of bloom. Fine clumps of them form magnificently lawn and garden ornaments, and nearly all bright colors are represented in the large and handsome flower-heads, together with indescribable blendings and markings in deep and delicate tints and shades. The pure white varieties are much prized for cemetery planting, and smaller side-clusters of flowers, produced beneath the large heads, are valuable for cutting. Plants usually grow about 3 feet high. Mixed seed from the choicest collections, 15 cents per pkt.

For Drummond Phlox, see Annuals.

PENTSTEMON.

A genus of plants much too handsome to be much longer neglected. A few specialists have taken it up, and greatly improved the flowers, which are borne in graceful spikes, not so stiff as those of the Foxglove, and quite as brilliant and abundant. The plants are herbaceous and quite hardy, and bloom from early summer until frost. The flowers are of many shades, and colors—white, blue, scarlet, crimson, yellow, etc. Mixed seed, 10 cents per pkt.

PAPAVER ORIENTALE.

Among mixed borders or masses of shrubbery the large, brilliant flowers of the Oriental Poppy have a meteor-like effect, so rich and bright is their color. The loose, silken petals have each one a blotch of black at the base. The plants are about 2 feet high, and entirely hardy.. 10 cents per pkt.

ROMNEYA COULTERI.

(The Great White California Poppy.) South of Washington this stately and handsome plant is entirely hardy, but further north it should be kept over winter in cellars or cold greenhouses. The little care which it requires it well requites with its glorious flowers, which are borne in great profusion from July until November. They are round and poppy-like in shape, but from 4 to 5 inches across, the large, pure white petals, being of waxen and semi-transparent texture, and lighted in the center by a soft brush of bright golden stamens. They have a delicate primrose perfume, and when cut remain fresh for a long time. The plants grow from 6 to 8 feet tall. 10 cts. per pkt.

SILENE.

The gay flowers of the Silene, or Catchfly, appear in early spring, and last until the host of later flowers bloom out. The plants are hardy, the different species, varying greatly in height, color of flowers, etc., but all free-blooming, proving well adapted to exposed borders, rockwork, etc. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

SWEET WILLIAM.

See *Dianthus barbatus*.

TRITOMA UVARIA.

(Red-Hot Poker.) A showy plant, which makes quite a fine display of color when allowed to form large clumps. Its flower-spikes are often 4 feet tall, and in late autumn rise like an orange-scarlet flame from amid the long, curving, tuft of leaves. The flowers open first at the bottom of the spike, and last long. 10 cents per pkt.

VALERIANA.

(Garden Heliotrope.) Early flowering, and suitable for mixed borders and shrubbery. The small, fragrant, red, rose and violet flowers are borne in large corymbs on long stalks.

Mixed seed, from flowers of various colors. 5c. per pkt.

VERONICA.

(Speedwell.) Pretty border plants, of low, spreading habit, blooming in midsummer. The flowers are of many

Perennial Phlox.

bright colors, and borne in great abundance. This is a favorite also for pots and window-boxes. Mixed seed, 10 cents per pkt.

VIOLA ODORATA.

(Sweet-scented Violet.) Well known, delightfully fragrant, little flowers, which bloom most freely in early spring and fall, and are often grown in cold-frames, or window-boxes, for winter flowers. The seed is slow in germinating, and should be sown early.

Viola odorata alba. Pure white, single flowers. 10 cts. per pkt.

V. Mixed Seed. A fine mixture from flowers of best sorts, 10 cts. per pkt.

WALLFLOWERS.

(Chionanthus.) The exquisite perfume of these old-fashioned flowers, and their rich, quaint, bright colors, usually brownish red, yellow and violet, should give them a place in every garden where they are not already grown and valued. When grown in the open ground the plants should be taken up and planted in pots in autumn.

A better way is to transplant them into small pots from the seed-bed, sink the pots to rim in some sheltered border, and keep the plants growing thriftily by frequent watering and repotting. Treated in this way, they will flower beautifully in the house in winter, if given a cool room. Where the winters are not severe the plants are left outside, and give an abundance of beautiful flowers in spring. Our seed is German grown and from the very choicest varieties, in fine mixture.

Double Mixed. This variety gives fine flowers in all the Wallflower colors. 10c. per pkt.

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Wallflower.

Pentstemon.

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Seeds of Ornamental Foliage Plants.

"FINE LEAVES ARE AS ESSENTIAL AS FINE FLOWERS TO THE GARDEN BEAUTIFUL."

We include in this department all the best ornamental foliage plants largely used in outdoor bedding. More tender sorts, useful chiefly for house and conservatory decoration, will be found under Seeds of Greenhouse Plants.

ACANTHUS LATIFOLIUS.

A tall, herbaceous plant of beautiful and stately habit, grown, like the Ricinus, for its rich, tropical leafage. It is handsome and effective, whether grown as a center for foliage beds or as a specimen plant for lawns and borders. 10 cents per pkt.

AMARANTHUS.

Tall-growing plants, with showy leaves, variegated with many shades of red, yellow and green, and long racemes of curious flowers. In rich soils the plants grow taller than in poor ones, but their variegation is not so bright.

Amaranthus caudatus (Love-Lies-Bleeding). Three feet tall; blood-red. 5c. per pkt.

A. cruentus. The well-known Prince's Feather. 5 cents per pkt.

A. Henderi. Of beautiful habit; brown, dark red and bronze. 5 cents per pkt.

A. nobilis pyramidalis. 5 cents per pkt.

A. tricolor (Joseph's Coat). Leaves a beautiful mosaic of colors. 5 cents per pkt.

CANNA.

See Annuals which Bloom the First Season.

CENTAUREA.

(Dusty Miller.) The silver-leaved varieties of Centaurea are indispensable for ribbon beds and borders, their soft, neutral tints of greyish green being very effective in toning down and harmonizing contrasts in more brilliant leaves which otherwise might seem crude and harsh.

Centaurea argentea vera (Candidissima). Leaves broader and whiter than in any other silver-leaved sort. 10 cents per pkt.

C. Clementei. Leaves finely cut and silvery. 10 cents per pkt.

C. gymnocarpa. Of very graceful growth; a fine variety. 10 cts. per pkt.

COLEUS.

For brilliant color effects we have nothing finer than the Coleus, so long used, well adapted, and universally admired for such purposes. The leaves are of many shapes and bright colors, and nearly all varieties have a rich, velvety appearance. Seed sown in March or April will produce fine plants for bedding. Our mixture is a fine one, and will give plants of many of the best named sorts. 25c. per pkt.

CINERARIA MARITIMA CANDIDISSIMA.

Another fine silver-leaved plant, used like the above, in ribbon bedding, vases, etc. The leaves are silvery white; flowers yellow. 5 cents per pkt.

ECHEVERIA SECUNDA GLAUCA.

Pretty succulent plants, with thick, rounded leaves, forming small, perfect light-green rosettes. They are much used in carpet bedding. 25 cents per pkt.

EUPHORBIA. (PAINTED LEAF: SNOW-ON-THE-MOUNTAIN.)

Euphorbia heterophylla. Glossy green leaves, forming large bracts on the ends of the branches, changing in midsummer to brilliant scarlet. 10 cents per pkt.

E. variegata (Snow-on-the-Mountain). A hardy annual of robust growth, with fine green leaves striped with white. 5 cents per pkt.

GLAUCIUM LUTEUM.

A handsome hardy perennial, with silvery white foliage and yellow flowers. It is very useful for ribbon beds and massing. 5 cents per pkt.

PERILLA NANKINENSIS.

A beautiful plant, with leaves of rich, dark purple, finely cut or fringed. Contrasts finely with silver-leaved foliage plants. A half-hardy annual. 5 cents per pkt.

PYRETHRUM AUREUM. (GOLDEN FEATHER.)

Golden yellow foliage, finely cut, producing rich, soft effects in bedding; hardy annual. 5 cents per pkt.

RICINUS.

(Castor-Oil Bean.) Ornamental plants of stately growth, with brilliant fruits and large, handsome leaves.

Ricinus Borboniensis arboreus. Grows fully fifteen feet high; leaves enormous. 5 cents per pkt.

R. Cambodgensis. Red-black stems and leaf-stalks, and very dark leaves; very distinct. 5 cents per pkt.

R. Gibsoni (Duchess of Edinburgh). Dark purple leaves and stems. 5 cents per pkt.

R. Zanzibarensis. An entirely new and distinct class from East Africa. The plants attain great dimensions, presenting a splendid aspect with their gigantic leaves, which surpass in size and beauty all varieties known heretofore. Seeds also very distinct, very large and of exquisite tints.

R. Zanzibarensis. Light green leaves, whitish ribs.

R. - maculatus. Coppery bronze, leaves changing to a dark green; reddish ribs.

R. - cinerascens. Brownish purple, leaves changing into dark green; light ribs.

R. - niger. Foliage bronze, passing into dark green; reddish ribs.

The foliage of above 4 varieties attains a dimension of 2 to 2½ feet across. The plants are very effective for large groups of similar specimens. Mixed seed, 15 cents per pkt.

WIGANDIA CARACASANA.

The immense leaves of this plant, 6 feet long and more than a foot wide, are very effective in subtropical bedding. It is a half-hardy perennial. 10 cents per pkt.

Coleus.

Euphorbia heterophylla.

Ornamental Climbers.

Vines are the tapestry of the garden, embroidered with their own blossoms. All the most popular hardy annual and perennial kinds will be found here; tender sorts, among Seeds of Greenhouse Plants.

ABOBRA.

See Gourds and Bright-Fruited Vines.

ADLUMIA CIRRHOSA.

(Allegheny Vine.) A pretty herbaceous hardy biennial, with delicate, finely cut foliage, and clusters of small, drooping, rosy lilac flowers. 10 cents per pkt.

ARISTOLOCHIA SIPHO.

(Dutchman's Pipe.) A rapid, luxuriant hardy climber; leaves large, making dense shade; flowers yellow and brown mottled, of very curious shape. Hardy perennial. 10 cents per pkt.

AMPELOPSIS VEITCHII.

(Japan, or Boston Ivy.) A beautiful vine for covering walls and buildings, to which it adheres closely. The leaves color beautifully in autumn. When young the plants should be given some winter protection. 10 cents per pkt.

BALLOON VINE.

See Cardiospermum, under Bright-Fruited Vines.

ASPARAGUS BROUSSONETII.

In autumn, when its berries turn brilliant scarlet, this hardy perennial climber is especially beautiful. Its fine, feathery foliage is graceful and elegant at all times. 10 cents per pkt.

BRYONOPSIS.

See Bright-Fruited Vines.

CALAMELIS SCABRA.

A hardy perennial, which blooms the first year from seed. The flowers are rich, bright orange. For south walls, or trellises, nothing could be finer. 10 cents per pkt.

CANARY CREEPER.

See Nasturtium, or Tropaeolum.

CEPHALANDRA PALMATA.

This is one of our handsomest annual climbers, and deserves to be more widely grown. It covers rapidly any support that is given it, growing to a height of about 30 feet, and bearing a profusion of reddish orange flowers, which are followed by small, bright red fruits. 10 cents per pkt.

CLEMATIS.

A royal genus of hardy perennial climbers, rapid in growth, free in bloom, and beautiful in the shape and form of its flowers. The seed pods, too, usually form light, fluffy wreaths of white or yellow.

Clematis flammula (Virgin's Bower). Small, fragrant, white flowers, borne in graceful clusters. 5 cents per pkt.

C. paniculata. Another fine novelty of last year. The large clusters of pure white flowers are borne so thickly that the whole plant seems a drift of white, and they appear at a time when other species are out of bloom, late August and September.

The vine is perfectly hardy and vigorous, begins to bloom when quite small, and grows very rapidly, soon covering arbors, verandas and trellises, and increasing in beauty every year. 15 cents per pkt.

C. vitalba (Traveler's Joy). Bears pure white flowers, which are borne in graceful clusters. Also called "Virgin's Bower." 5 cents per pkt.

CENTROSEMA GRANDIFLORA.

One of last year's best new and good plants. The large, pea-shaped flowers are produced in clusters of 6 or 8, and in color are rosy violet, with broad, feathered markings of white. The foliage is abundant and graceful, and delightfully sweet-scented. The vine is a hardy perennial, climbing 6 or 8 feet in a season, and blooming abundantly. The seed should be soaked before planting. 10 cts. per pkt.

CONVOLVULUS MAJOR.

(The Morning-Glory.) A well-known and favorite annual, rapid in growth and prodigal of bloom. We offer a fine assortment of colors; no common stock. **Spindai Mixture.** Will produce flowers of all the best colors. 5 cents per pkt.

COBÆA SCANDENS.

A superb tender annual, of very rapid and luxuriant climbing habit. The deep violet-blue flowers are large and bell-shaped, averaging 2 inches in length and 1½ inches across. 10 cts. per pkt.

DOLICHOS LABIÆ.

This is the Hyacinth Bean, noted for its large clusters of showy white or purple flowers. It grows rapidly, and makes a fine screen of thick foliage. A tender perennial. 5 cents per pkt.

Cobæa scandens.

Clematis.

GOURDS, CUCUMIS AND BRIGHT-FRUITED VINES.

In this collection of tender annual climbers we include only the best kinds of bright or curious-fruited vines, desirable because of ornamental foliage, or the odd and striking shapes and vivid colors of their fruits. They give picturesque and beautiful effects, whether grown on mounds and sloping banks, or trained over arches and trellises. The seed should not be planted until ground and weather become warm, as the plants are all quite tender. Give them rich soil, and they will surprise you with their rapid, luxuriant growth, and display of bright or curious fruits. Some of them have very pretty flowers.

Gourds.

Nest Egg, Snake Gourd, Serpent Cucumber. Each, 5 cts. per pkt.

ABOBIA viridiflora. The green-flowered Abobra, with glossy dark green foliage and small, oval, bright scarlet fruits. This is a curious and pretty little climber, and deserves wider cultivation. 5c. per pkt.

BRYONOPSIS laciniosa. Fruits bright scarlet, striped with white. They hang thickly all over the vine, and the effect is bright and pretty. 5 cts. per pkt.

CARDIOSPERMUM halicacabum. (Balloon Vine.) Balloon-shaped seed capsules; odd in appearance. 5 cts. per pkt.

MOMORDICA balsamina. (Balsam Apple.) Fruits orange and red. When ripe they are bright scarlet, and burst open, revealing the deep crimson seeds clinging to the white lining. The flowers are cream-colored. 10 cts. per pkt.

M. charantia. (Balsam Pear.) Pretty and curious red fruits. 10 cts. per pkt.

Mixed Ornamental Gourds. 5 cts. per pkt.

HUMULUS JAPONICA.

(Japanese Hop.) Annual climbers of very rapid growth, with foliage resembling that of the other Hops, but much more dense. The leaves remain bright and fresh and looking until late in the fall.

Humulus japonica.

Humulus japonica. Leaves plain green, something like those of the common Hop, but denser. Seed sown in the open ground in spring produces strong plants, which will cover a wide spread on a screen or trellis in a short time. The foliage is always clean and healthy, and seems to suffer little from drought or insects. 5c. per pkt.

H. — variegata. Leaves broadly edged with cream color, and marked and shaded with silvery white and deep green; often, a whole branch and its leaves will be pure white. At a little distance the plant looks as if it were covered thickly with white blossoms. It is very vigorous and hardy. 10 cts. per pkt.

IPOMEEA.

In this large class of tender annuals are included many handsome climbers, Evening as well as Morning-Glories, and other favorite vines almost as popular and beautiful.

Ipomoea setosa. (Brazilian Morning-Glory.) Beautiful rose-colored flowers and huge leaves; remarkably luxuriant in growth. 25 cts. per pkt.

I. Leari. Flowers violet-blue; an elegant greenhouse species. 10 cts. per pkt.

I. quamoclit. The well-known Cypress Vine, with delicately cut foliage and small, star-shaped flowers of scarlet or white. Mixed seed, 5 cts. per pkt.

Ipomoea.

I. hybrida grandiflora. (Moonflower.) The large, pure white flowers of this plant open at night; they are produced in great abundance and are quite fragrant. 10 cts. per pkt.

I. limbat. Violet, edged white, rose throat. 5 cts. per pkt.

I. Heavenly Blue. Foliage very large and heart-shaped; flowers 4 to 5 inches across, borne in large clusters; light blue with yellow throat. The bloom almost hides the foliage. 10 cts. per pkt.

I. Bona Nox. (Good-Night, or Evening-Glory.) Most beautiful large violet flowers. 5 cts. per pkt.

For other varieties, see *Convolvulus major* and *minor*.

LATHYRUS LATIFOLIUS.

(Everlasting Pea.) Hardy perennial climber, growing 6 to 8 feet high when trained on a trellis. Flowers borne in large clusters. Red and White, mixed, 10 cts. per pkt.

LOASA HISPIDA.

Useful either as a climber or trailer; flowers yellow, large, and somewhat coarse. An annual. 5 cts. per pkt.

LINARIA Cymbalaria.

(Kenilworth Ivy.) A dainty little vine for climbing or creeping, rockwork or baskets. The flowers are lavender-purple; leaves ivy-like and glossy. 5 cts. per pkt.

MINA LOBATA.

Really an *Ipomoea*, but with flowers very different from other forms of the family. In the bud they are a vivid scarlet, changing in the open flower to creamy white, which produces a fine contrast on the plant. The foliage is dense and luxuriant. 10 cts. per pkt.

WILD CUCUMBER.

A desirable vine on account of vigorous growth and handsome appearance. Seed planted in the fall will come up in spring, and soon form a vine to beautify unsightly places. 5 cts. per pkt.

A Corner in Sweet
Peas or a whole
hedge of them should
be in every garden . .

SWEET PEAS.

(*Lathyrus odoratus*.)

Fashion does not always display so much good taste in her choice of a "pet flower" as when giving the Sweet Pea that place. Already they have become so popular that seedsmen must handle their seeds by the ton, and they are grown galore in hedges, sold in great fragrant heaps from the markets, and worn and carried whenever and wherever possible. Every garden must have its hedge of Sweet Peas, and we are ready to supply you with the best of seed.

	Pkt.	Oz.	2 Ozs.
	\$0 05	\$0 15	\$0 25
ALBA MAGNIFICA. Pure white, very large			
BOREATTON. Deep maroon self-color; the darkest of all Sweet Peas; flowers very large	05	15	25
BUTTERFLY. Standards and wings white, faintly suffused lavender; entire flower edged with blue	05	15	25
CARDINAL. Deep, rich scarlet	05	15	25
CAPTAIN OF THE BLUES. Bright, purplish blue, wings ultramarine blue	05	15	25
COUNTRESS OF RADNOR. Delicate striped mauve, with pale lilac wings; one of the finest	05	15	25
DELIGHT. White, tinted with rose	05	15	25
DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH. Scarlet, flushed with crimson, edged, and sometimes marbled with white	05	15	25
EMILY HENDERSON. Large, pure white flowers; plant strong and robust; splendid for forcing	05	20	
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MISS BLANCHE FERRY. Pink and white; early flowering; the best American variety	05	15	25
MRS. GLADSTONE. Exquisite pink; very large and fragrant	05	15	25
MRS. SANKEY. Large, pure white flowers of the finest form; one of the best whites	05	15	25
ORANGE PRINCE. Pink wings and orange standards; when bunched the yellowish effect is very striking; the finest variety of its coloring	05	15	25

	Pkt.	Oz.	2 Ozs.
	\$0 05	\$0 15	\$0 25
PRIMROSE. New; pale yellow			
PRINCESS VICTORIA. Standard scarlet, wings carmine; large, expanded form	05	15	25
QUEEN OF ENGLAND. Pure white and white-seeded; white Sweet Peas are invaluable for cutting	05	15	25
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SENATOR. Finely formed large flowers, shaded chocolate and bright brown, and striped on a creamy white ground co'or	05	15	25
ECKFORD'S NEW HYBRIDS. A splendid mixture, including seeds of many of the new English hybrids, with flowers of the large, expanded form. These seeds have heretofore been very high-priced			
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Choiceest Mixture of above named varieties, in equal proportion, pkt., 5 cts.; oz., 15 cts.; 2 ozs., 25 cts.; ¼ lb., 35 cts.; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

Miss Blanche Ferry.

Be Stylish and
Wear Sweet
Peas all Summer

NASTURTIUMS OR TROPÆOLUMS.

(For Dwarf Varieties, see page 52.)

Tropæolum.

The gay and picturesque Nasturtiums are as popular among climbers as Sweet Peas. Their rapid and luxuriant growth quickly covers trellises, verandas, fences, or any unsightly object, with a beautiful mass of oddly pretty leaves and brilliant flowers. No plant could be freer with its blossoms, or display them in a more graceful way.

Tropæolum majus, Finest Mixed. Seed saved from a choice collection of flowers, in many colors; will produce charming results if planted freely in ground that is not too rich. 5 cts. per pkt., 15 cts. per oz.
T. — peregrinum. (Canary Creeper.) Graceful, winged flowers of pure light yellow. 5 cts. per pkt.

MAURANDIA.

Graceful annual climber for window or conservatory; admirable to hang from vases, cover stumps and low trellises; blooms very freely. 10 cts. per pkt.

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These are among our best half hardy annual climbers. The vine is of slender and graceful but very rapid growth, with elegant foliage; and externally pretty, dark-eyed flowers of white or yellow.

Thunbergia alata. Flowers buff, with dark center; very bright and pretty. 5 cents per pkt.

T. — alba. White flowers, with black eye; of excellent effect. 5 cents per pkt.

T. — aurantiaca. Orange-colored flowers 5 cents per pkt.

T. — Bakeri. Flowers entirely white. 5 cents per pkt.

Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums are a strong combination. We have the best of both.

SEEDS OF GREENHOUSE PLANTS.

The rarest and handsomest Stove and Greenhouse Plants may be grown from seed by any amateur who will be careful, first, to procure good seed, then sow it carefully and tend it well. Directions for culture are printed on all our seed packets, and these are contained in them in fresh and of strong germinating power.

ABUTILON.

(Chinese Bell-Flower.) Useful both for house decoration and outdoor bedding. The plants form tall shrubs, with maple-like leaves, sometimes finely variegated, and drooping, bell-shaped flowers, in white, all shades of red, orange and yellow; they bloom profusely and continually, and are very easy to grow. Fine mixed seed, 15 cents per pkt.

ACACIA MOLISSIMA FLORIBUNDA.

A graceful and elegant shrub, with fern-like foliage and large clusters of ball-shaped, sweet-scented flowers. 25 cents per pkt.

ACHIMENES.

A plant of Achimenes in full flower is a beautiful sight, well worth the small amount of care required to produce it. The blossoms are of many different colors and rich shades. The plants die down in autumn, and the small, caterpillar-like tubers should be stored in dry sand, in a warm place. Mixed seed, 10 cents per pkt.

ANGELONIA GRANDIFLORA.

The flowers of this plant are bright scarlet, spotted with white, cup-shaped, and borne on long spikes. It may be used for garden bedding, as well as for pot-culture and house decoration. 25 cents per pkt.

Abutilon.

ARALIA SEIBOLDII.

A superb ornamental foliage plant, with broad, palmate leaves. In growth it is stately and spreading, and requires considerable room for development. For greenhouse, balcony, and table decoration, it is as handsome as many Palms. 10 cents per pkt.

AZALEA INDICA.

The Chinese or Indian Azaleas grow into miniature, dwarf trees, which are all aglow with flowers in early spring. Almost all colors are represented in the blossoms, and indistinguishable markings and blotchings. The plants are in great demand for forcing at Easter. From a single packet of seeds a number of the choicest varieties may be grown, having fine flowers in a wide range of colors. The seed must be kept warm, moist and shaded until it germinates, and the young plants should never be allowed to suffer from drought or anything that suddenly checks growth, as this will cause them to drop their buds. When dormant they require little care. The flowers remain perfect for several weeks. Mixed seed, 25 cents per pkt.

ARGYREA TILÆFOLIA.

A rapid growing, magnificent climber, with large green heart-shaped leaves, producing small white flowers, followed by inflated seed vessels, shaped like miniature balloons. 15 cents per pkt.

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Azalea Indica.

BEGONIAS.

Begonias are now grown in such large quantities, both for summer bedding and winter flowers, that many people prefer sowing the seed to buying the plants. We offer species which are especially adapted to bedding, and are also handsome window plants.

- Begonia atropurpurea, Variegata.** A new, dark-leaved variety, introduced last season. It has proved to be a valuable acquisition for bedding. The plant is strong, dwarfish and branching in habit, and the coral-red flowers cover it thickly in large clusters all summer long. The same characteristics make it equally valuable for pot-culture and winter decoration. 15 cts. per pkt.
- B.**—**Tuberous-Rooted, Mixed, Single.** Fresh seed, from fine plants; will give large flowers of various shapes and colors. The tubers must be lifted and stored in dry sand in a dry, warm place in autumn. 25 cents per pkt.
- B.**—**Mixed Double.** Seed saved from a fine collection of large-flowering varieties. 25 cents per pkt.

CALCEOLARIAS.

The curiously shaped and oddly marked flowers of these plants at once attract notice.

- Calceolaria grandiflora.** Large-flowering, self-colored varieties; a great diversity of colors. Mixed seed, 25 cents per pkt.
- C. rugosa.** Shrubby plants, bearing a great profusion of small bright flowers; very shy-seeding. 25 cents per pkt.
- C. Tigered or Spotted.** Finest Mixture of most brilliant and beautifully marked flowers. 25 cents per pkt.

Tuberous Begonias.

CARNATIONS.

It is very fascinating work to grow Carnations from seed, especially when you are sure that the seed is good and will produce fine flowers, as ours will. A large proportion of the plants will produce flowers as large, double, fragrant and brilliantly colored as those from purchased plants of named varieties. The Vienna and Grenadin species are excellent for open air culture, and bloom several weeks earlier than the other sorts.

- Early-Flowering Vienna.** Flowers of all colors; valuable for cutting. Choice mixed seed, 25 cents per pkt.
- Early Grenadin.** Bright scarlet flowers; 60 to 70 per cent. of them double; very early flowering, and useful for borders and masses. 25 cents per pkt.
- Perpetual or Tree.** Tall plants, continually in flower. Our seed is a choice mixture, and will produce 75 per cent. of double flowers. 20 cents per pkt.
- Double Self Colors.** Elegant, fragrant, fringed flowers, of pure and beautiful colors. 10 cents per pkt.
- Margaret Carnations.** See Annuals which Bloom the First Season.

CLIANTHUS DAMPIERI.

A shubby climbing plant, with clusters of curious pea-shaped flowers, having dark centers. Sometimes called the Australian Glory Pea. 15 cents per pkt.

CYCLAMEN PERSICUM GIGANTEUM.

One of the easiest plants to grow from seed, and one of the best for spring and winter blooming. The leaves are beautifully splashed with silver, and are much used in cut-flower work. The flowers are large, curious, and handsome, showing all shades of color from crimson maroon to pure white. They last long in perfection, and the appearance of a well-grown plant in full bloom is decidedly attractive. Enjoying a cool or moderate temperature, these plants are very suitable to window or house culture, and are very popular for this purpose. The seed is about the size of large Radish seed, and slow but sure in germinating. The little seedlings grow rapidly, and bloom in eight or ten months from the sowing. This, the large-flowering strain, is a great improvement on the smaller *C. persicum* species, the flowers being not only larger, but of finer colors and forms. Choice mixture, 25 c. pkt.

Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

The beautiful seedling Chrysanthemums exhibited everywhere at autumn shows have encouraged many amateurs to try growing the plants from seed, and this is very easily done. If the seed is sown early and kept warm and moist until it germinates, and the plants are carefully tended, they will give handsome flowers the first year. There is a wonderful charm in so growing them, as these is no certainty as to what the unfolding flower will be. Often chance seedlings are of the very finest form and color, and if our "gilt-edged mixture" is planted and grown carefully, fine flowers are almost a certainty. 25 cents per pkt.

- Gilt-Edged Mixture.** From pure Chinese and Japanese varieties. 50 cents per pkt.
- Fine Mixture.** From Choice flowers of Chinese and Japanese sorts. 25 cts. per pkt.

CINERARIAS and PRIMULAS.

A Complete Window-Garden from a Few Seed Packets.

The Cineraria and Chinese Primrose are noted for their rich and profuse display of flowers in winter, and the length of time to which they prolong it. The two plants together give flowers of every color that can be wished, above large, velvety green leaves which display them well. Growing the plants from seed is not difficult, and any amateur may succeed who will give them intelligent culture. Full directions for culture are given on our seed packets.

Cineraria Hybrida Grandiflora.

CINERARIAS.

- Cineraria grandiflora.* A splendid mixture of large-flowered varieties. 50 cts. per pkt.
C. — *alba.* Flowers pure white, large and beautiful. 25 cts. per pkt.

PRIMULAS or CHINESE PRIMROSES.

- All are handsomely fringed, and are very beautiful.
PRIMULA fimbriata alba magnifica. Very large, pure white flowers, with yellow eye; delicately fringed. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. — *coccinea.* Brilliant, dark red flowers. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. — *cœrulea.* Flowers of beautiful blue. 50 cts. per pkt.
P. *sinensis, Fern-Leaved.* White. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. — *Fern-Leaved.* Crimson. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. — " Mixed. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. — *Fine Mixed.* Fringed flowers of various colors. 25 cts. per pkt.
P. *Japonica.* One of the most beautiful flowers; in shades of crimson, maroon, lilac, pink and white. 10 cts. per pkt.

DOUBLE-FRINGED PRIMULAS.

- PRIMULA chinensis fimbriata alba fl. pl.* Pure white flowers, large, double and finely fringed. 50 cts. per pkt.

- P. — *rubra fl. pl.* Double red and rose. 50 cts. per pkt.

PRIMULA OBCONICA.

A semi-hardy species, exceedingly free of its lilac-white flower clusters, which are borne on long stems above the foliage. 25 cts. per pkt. For hardy species, see Perennials.

ERYTHRINA CRISTA-GALLI.

(Coral Tree.) Elegant half-hardy shrubs, with fine pea-shaped leaves and flowers; the latter are large and brilliant, and borne in long spikes, 4 or 5 feet tall. 10 cts. per pkt.

Primula Obconica.

EUCALYPTUS GLOBULOSUS.

Tall-growing and handsome, with silvery, linear leaves and curious flowers. It forms a tall tree in warm climates, and is thought to be useful in dispelling malaria. 15 cts. per pkt.

Gloxinia Hybrida.

The waxen flowers of the Gloxinias are large, bell-shaped, and richly colored, producing grand effects when different sorts are grouped together. Mixed seed, from the best French Hybrids, 35 cts. per pkt.

GREVILLEA ROBUSTA.

The Silk Oak is a beautiful little tree, grown for its graceful, fern-like foliage. When small, it is much used for table decoration; as it grows larger, for tropical garden effects. 10 cts. per pkt.

IMPATIENS SULTANI.

A bright little plant, with clusters of rosy scarlet flowers and glossy leaves of plain dark green. It is neat and bushy in growth, and very cheery for winter windows, or beds. 15 cts. per pkt.

LANTANA HYBRIDA.

The Lantana is a shrubby plant, with a multitude of flower-clusters something like the *Verbenas*'s. Mixed seed, 10 cts. per pkt.

MIMOSA PUDICA.

Sensitive Plant; so called from the habit which its fern-like leaves have of closing when touched. The flowers are borne in clusters, and are round, bright pink and fragrant. 10 cts. per pkt.

MUSA ENSETE.

(Banana.) A grand tropical foliage plant, with immense leaves, veined with red. It grows readily from the seed, and in a few years forms large plants, which may be used for decoration, either indoors or outside. 25 cts. per pkt.

OXALIS.

A low-growing plant, with pretty, three-parted foliage, and clusters of rose, violet, yellow, or white flowers. For baskets, edgings and pot-culture. Mixed seed, 10 cts. per pkt.

Primula sinensis fimbriata.

PALMS.

A good collection of Palms from seed costs less than half the price of one fine plant. While small the plants can be used very effectively for table decoration, and for mingling with blooming plants.

- Areca luteoescens.* 25 cts. per pkt.
Brachea filamentosa. 15 cts. per pkt.
Rentia Belmoreana. 25 cts. per pkt.
Lantana Borbonica. 15 cts. per pkt.

SMILAX.

(*Myrsiphyllum asparagoides.*) The glossy green foliage of this vine remains perfect for weeks after cutting. 10 cts. per pkt.

TORENIA.

Rich, bright colors are strangely mingled and contrasted in the flowers of the *Toreneas*, giving them bizarre, rainbow effects.
Torenia Fournieri. Light blue flowers, marked with velvety violet, and centers of bright yellow. 10 cts. per pkt.
T. *Bailoni.* Golden yellow, with rich, brown-red throat. 10 cts. per pkt.

VINCA.

(Periwinkle.) Exceedingly pretty plants, with dark, glossy foliage, and rose or white flowers.

- V. *rosea.* Rose-colored flowers. 10 cts.
V. *rosea alba.* White, with crimson eye. 10c.
V. *alba.* New; pure white. 10 cts.
MIXED SEED, 10 cts. per pkt.

Bulbs and Tubers for Spring Planting.

LILIES.

No class of flowers adapted for growing outdoors is more charming than the Lily. Stately and graceful in habit, rich and varied in colors, and delightful in fragrance, they stand pre-eminent among hardy border plants, and no garden should be without a number of the best varieties. When you have a good assortment, they can be had in bloom from June to October.

In the south, where the frost does not interfere, they can be planted at any time during the winter. The soil should be rich and mellow, with proper drainage. Plant the bulbs about six inches deep, and do not disturb oftener than once in three or four years. In planting, be careful that no manure comes in contact with the bulbs, as some sorts, especially *Auratum*, are injured by it.

LILUM AURATUM (The Queen of Lilies). Well-known, most desirable. The flowers are ivory white, studded with chocolate-crimson spots, and striped through the center of each petal with a band of rich golden yellow. A well developed plant will produce from 6 to 20 flowers. Mammoth sized bulbs, 15 cts. each, postpaid 20 cts. each; \$1.50 per doz., \$10 per 100, by express.

L. — rubrum vittatum. Flowers 13 inches across, clear white, with blood-red center in each petal, and red spots; highly perfumed. Fine bulbs, 50 cts. each, 3 for \$1.25.

L. — Wittei. This grand species of *Auratum* is pure white, with raised white dots, and petals banded with golden yellow; very rare. Fine bulbs, 50 cts. each, 3 for \$1.25.

L. — macranthum. Flowers of gigantic size, spotted and striped with golden yellow. Fine bulbs, 50 cts. each, 3 for \$1.25.

L. Batemanni. Beautiful, easy to cultivate, and a profuse bloomer. Flowers a delicate apricot color, with upright chalice. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

L. Coridon. An upright, perfect, star-shaped flower of clear yellow; the foliage is fine and attractive. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

L. concolor. Graceful foliage, and dazzling crimson, star-shaped, upright flowers. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

L. elegans, Red. Brilliant red color, flamed with yellow; very large and perfect. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

L. — atrosanguineum. Deep velvety maroon crimson. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

L. — Incomparable. Very brilliant red, with bright yellow shading; very beautiful. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

L. — semi-pleno. Flowers large, semi-double; bright maroon, with orange stripe, and tip of inner petals edged white; very rare. 10c. each, 3 for 25c.

L. Krameri. A beautiful rosy pink Lily of an elegant trumpet-shape and the most exquisite fragrance; one of the handsomest members of the genus. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

L. Leichlinii. Extremely beautiful in shape, and entirely distinct from other forms; orange and yellow. 25 cts. each, 3 for 60 cts.

L. speciosum rubrum. The *Speciosums* are, as a class, very desirable Lilies, being distinct, beautiful, easy to grow and free blooming. The flowers of this species are rose-colored and spotted with crimson, and are very satisfying to the grower who loves flowers. Mammoth bulbs, 15 cts. each; postpaid, 20 cts.; \$1.50 per doz., by express.

L. — roseum. White, spotted with rose. Mammoth bulbs, 15 cts. each, by mail, 25 cts.; \$1.50 per doz., by express.

L. — album. Flowers white, exquisitely fragrant and graceful; a most beautiful and attractive flower. Select bulbs, 15 cts. each, postpaid, 20 cts. each; \$1.50 per doz., by express.

L. tigrinum splendens. Flower stalks 4 to 6 feet high, covered with beautiful orange flowers, spotted with maroon. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

L. Melpomene. Beautiful dark red, with a clear white border around each petal. A superb and rare sort. 15 cts. each; 20 cts. postpaid; \$1.50 per doz.

Lilium auratum.

Lilium speciosum rubrum.

AMARYLLIS.

An interesting class of plants, very desirable for pot-culture. Their large, bell-shaped, lily-like flowers are very showy, and vary in color from rich crimson to pure white, striped with crimson or scarlet. Their culture is quite easy, and gives good returns in showy blooms of long duration. The bulbs should be potted in sandy loam, giving them small pots and ample drainage. When in the growing state, abundant moisture is necessary, but in their season of rest very little water is required.

Amaryllis formosissima (Sprekelia, or Jacobean Lily). Flowers dark scarlet, with numerous golden dots; blooms well in water. A grand species, blooming for a long time in midsummer. The flowers are easily distinguished by their elegant and peculiar form. 15 cts. each; postpaid, 20 cts.; per doz., \$1.60.

A. *longifolia alba* (*Crinum capensis*). Flowers white, very beautiful, free blooming and fragrant. 25 cts. each; postpaid, 30 cts.

A. — *rosea*. Flowers rose-colored, large and fragrant. 25 cts. each; postpaid, 30 cts.

AGAPANTHUS UMBELLATUS.

(African Lily.)

This showy summer-blooming plant has a flower stalk about 3 feet high, crowned with a dense cluster of from 20 to 30 bright blue, lily-like flowers, which open in succession as summer advances. It thrives best in well enriched sandy loam, and should be liberally supplied with water while growing. 15 cts. each.

BESSERA ELEGANS.

(Mexican Coral Drops.)

This pretty plant blooms shortly after being planted in the open ground, and will keep on blooming until frost. We have frequently had seven successive spikes from one bulb in a season, a prodigality not equaled by any other flowering bulb we know of. The flower stems are from 1 to 2 feet high and support a dozen or more bell-shaped flowers of a bright coral scarlet, with white cups and dark blue anthers. The foliage is thin and rush-like, 10 to 12 inches long. 5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz.

Amaryllis.

CALADIUM ESCULENTUM.

(Elephant's Ear.)

A magnificent ornamental foliage plant. The leaves often exceed 3 feet in length and breadth; they are shield-shaped and bright green, presenting a grand and imposing appearance when well developed. In order to have them make a strong growth, very rich soil and plenty of moisture must be given. Bulbs planted in the spring under proper conditions will make a fine display by midsummer, and fully compensate for any care or expense bestowed upon them.

First size bulbs, 2½ to 3 ins., 25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz.

Second size bulbs, 1½ to 2 ins., 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

Extra large bulbs, 50 cts. each.

Free by mail at the price of single bulbs.

Caladium Esculentum.

TUBEROSES.

The Tuberose is a universal favorite, and largely grown on account of its delightful fragrance. The flowers are of a beautiful pure waxy white color, and grow on tall stems.

Excelsior Pearl. Dwarf and compact. Very large, choice and well-cured bulbs. 5 cts. each, 50 cts. per dozen.

Italian Tall Double. 5 cts. each, 50 cts. per dozen.

Variegated, or Silver-Leaved. Foliage striped white and green; the bulb frequently throws up two or more spikes, bearing in profusion pure white, waxy, single flowers; blooms several weeks earlier than the double variety. 6 cts. each, 60 cts. per dozen.

NEW TUBEROSE, ALBINO.

An Early-Flowering, Branching Sort, Unsurpassed for Forcing.

The distinctive features of this single white Tuberose are its recurring petals, large and evenly filled flower spikes, which open 30 days earlier than the old single variety, and the profuse flowering habit of the bulbs, which produce from 2 to 5 flower-stems each, and these again are often branched. But the flowers have none of the brown tint common to the old sort on the back of the petals, the tube and expanded sepals being of the purest waxy white; very valuable for cut-flowers. This characteristic is so distinct that when first seen, being single, it might be said to resemble a stephanotis, or some species of jessamine, as much as a Tuberose, both in appearance and fragrance, for the odor is less heavy than that of the ordinary Tuberose. 10 cts. each, \$1 per dozen.

DAHLIAS.

This stately and handsome autumn flower will always be popular wherever display is wanted, because of its perfect form and wide range of color. Plant the tubers out in the spring after all danger of frost is past, and at the end of the season winter them over in a dry and cool cellar.

Separate Colors. All from choice varieties, 10 cts. each, \$1 per dozen.

When sent by mail, add 5 cts. each for postage.

GLADIOLI.

These fine summer-blooming bulbs produce flowers of every shade of color, and some of them are marvels of beauty. They are of the easiest culture, and their brilliant spikes appear the first year. As soon as the ground is sufficiently warm and dry, make plantings at intervals of two weeks during the spring months, thus providing a succession of bloom from midsummer until frost. In the fall the bulbs can be taken up and stored over winter in any dry place, and will be ready for planting next season. No bulbs give finer results in comparison with the moderate amount of care and expense required than Gladioli, and in the past few years the flowers have been greatly improved by hybridization. Sent, postpaid, at prices given for single bulbs

	Each	Per doz.	100
Choice Seedling Mixed	\$0 04	\$0 40	\$2 50
Superb "	05	50	3 50
White and Light colors, choice .	05	50	3 50
Yellow, extra choice	06	60	4 00
Pink "	05	50	3 50
Striped and Variegated	04	40	2 50
Scarlet and Pink, white throats.	05	50	3 50

We also supply seeds of Gladioli.

MONTBRETIA CROCOSMI-FLORA.

This new variety of Montbretia is one of the most beautiful summer and autumn blooming bulbs. It has proved entirely hardy with us for the past two winters, and well-established clumps which begin flowering in July are a magnificent sight. The glowing orange and red flowers are borne in great profusion on tall spikes, which continue in bloom until checked by frost. 15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz.

SUMMER-FLOWERING OXALIS.

Valuable for edging walks, flower-beds, etc. Bulbs planted 3 inches apart form rounded rows of delicate foliage 1 foot high, producing flowers in endless succession.

Mixed Colors. White, pink, yellow, rose, etc. 10 cts. each, \$1 per doz.

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Gladiolus.

Oxalis.

BEGONIAS.

Very handsome summer flowering bulbs, of late greatly increased in size and improved in form and beauty of color. They bloom continuously throughout the summer. For bedding outdoors or for pot culture, they give excellent satisfaction. **Single Mixed, or Separate Colors.** 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts., 90 cts. per doz. **Double.** 15 cts. each, 2 for 25 cts., \$1.50 per doz.

TIGRIDIAS.

The glossy, silken texture and airy poise of Tigridia flowers, together with their peculiar form and bright colors, give them the appearance of a bevy of butterflies floating over the clumps of lance-like green leaves. They are beautifully formed, with three broad outer petals, and three short inner ones, and open widely, lasting but a day, but are produced continuously, so that large old clumps are continually gay. Treat the bulbs like Gladioli, and they will be a constant source of pleasure during blooming season.

Conchiflora. Yellow and orange, with dark spots.

Pavonia. Red, with crimson spots. Either variety, 5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz.; by mail, 60 cts. per dozen.

Tigridia.

Apios Tuberosa.

LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY.

A popular spring-flowering plant, producing its racemes of pure white and deliciously scented flowers in profusion. It flourishes well in shady situations, where but few other plants will thrive. Set the clumps two inches below the surface, in well prepared and rich soil; no further attention is then required.

Single White, extra quality. Forcing pipes, 5 cts. each, 35 cts. per doz., \$2 per 100; if to be sent by mail, add 5 cts. per doz.

MILLA BIFLORA.

(Frost-work). The flowers of the plant appear like beautiful wax-work enlivened by a living sparkle. The flowers are white, with anthers of delicate lemon-yellow and pistil curiously carved, usually covered with honeydew; the fragrance is delightful. If cut stalks are placed in water all the flowers will open. Numerous stalks shoot up successively from one bulb. 5 cts. each, 50 per doz.

'Milla biflora.

FOUR BEAUTIFUL CLIMBERS.

Moonflower.

APIOS TUBEROSA.

A hardy tuberous-rooted climber, resembling the wistaria in vine and foliage. It has clusters of deep, rich purple flowers, which have a strong, delicious violet fragrance. The vines grow to great height, and bloom profusely. The bulbs are hardy, and need not be taken up over winter. 10 cts. each.

DIOSCOREA BATATAS.

(Chinese Yam, or Cinnamon Vine.) A beautiful running vine, with pretty, dark green, acute-pointed, heart-shaped leaves, and large clusters of 3 small, creamy white flowers with a cinnamon fragrance. It is suitable for baskets or vases, or trailing over porches and verandas. The tubers are perfectly hardy, and may be allowed to remain in the ground over winter. 10 cts. each, 3 for 25 cts.

THE HARDY MOONFLOWER.

(*Iponoea pandurata*.) A hardy perennial tuberous-rooted twiner. There is no hardy climber like it for giving quick, dense shade; the vines make a growth of 25 feet in a season, retaining their large foliage down to the ground until frost, and blooming the first year. Great numbers of flowers, measuring from 3 1/4 to 6 inches across, open on one vine at once, and the blooming period extends for several months. The color of the flowers varies from pure white to white with pink and purplish shadings in the throat. Sound tubers, 15 cts. each, 2 for 25 cts., postpaid.

Iponoea paniculata. (Bulb.) This is a tuberous-rooted tender climber, but capital for amateurs. The root, a large tuber, can be wintered in a dry state as with dahlias or Madeira vine. It starts to grow soon after being set out in May, sending up shoots which run 20 to 30 feet in a season. Blooms all summer. 15 cts. each.

MADEIRA VINE.

A tuberous-rooted climber of very rapid growth. From a few tubers sufficient vines will be produced to cover the side of a house. The white flowers are borne in graceful, lace-like sprays, and are very fragrant; the foliage is luxuriant and glossy green. 5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz.,

A BEAUTIFUL LAWN.

**Our Special Mixtures of Lawn Grass Seed and a Good Fertilizer will Produce
Just such a One if Rightly Handled.**

A GOOD LAWN is one of the most pleasing features connected with a country or suburban home. Proper drainage and careful preparation of the ground are the first steps necessary to secure it. If any beds for flowers are to be arranged in the plot, or any trees planted therein, the work should be done before the seed is sown. Grade or level the ground to the desired form of surface, and if in any place the earth must be removed to the surface of the subsoil, enough of the latter should be taken away to replace with 6 or 8 inches of top soil. Plow or dig up the surface thoroughly to a depth of 12 or 14 inches, and incorporate with it a liberal supply of well-rotted manure or bone-dust. The latter is at all times preferable, being more durable in its effects, and free from weed-seeds, which are always contained in greater or less quantities in stable-manure. If the soil is of fair quality, 500 pounds of bone-meal to the acre will suffice; if poor, 1,000 pounds will be required. Before sowing the seed, harrow the ground well, until reduced to a fine surface. Sow about 60 pounds of seed to the acre; after sowing, rake it slightly, and finish by rolling the surface well. The seed can either be sown as early in the spring as ground can be prepared, or in September. Some weeds will always appear in new lawns. These should be taken out, or they will overcome and smother the grass seed. When the young grass is from 4 to 6 inches high, it must be mowed, but not too short, and the cutting continued at intervals; an occasional mowing is always beneficial. In case of severe drouth, water occasionally in the evening. No lawn can be kept long in good order without successive rollings. Mowing alone will not secure a good bottom without that compression which the roller gives. The rolling should be done in the spring, before the ground becomes dry.

To grass a bank or terrace, take for each square rod a pound of lawn-grass seed, and mix it with about six cubic feet of good, dry garden loam. Place it in a tub, and add liquid manure, diluted with about two-thirds water, until the mixture has the consistency of mortar. Make the slope perfectly even and smooth, water it well, then apply the paste in a thin, even coat.

SPECIAL EVERGREEN LAWN MIXTURE.

When the very best results are desired, this mixture should be used, it being the finest lawn preparation that can be made. We have made many experiments to determine the grasses best adapted for lawn purposes, and this mixture is composed of such grasses and, in such proportion as we have found will make a first-class lawn. The essential points in a lawn are permanence, with a fine appearance, which can only be produced by a combination of grasses that grow and flourish during the different months of the year, from an early spring growth, continued through the summer until late in the fall. Some of the ingredients are high-priced, imported grasses, and, therefore, this mixture is more costly than most others. We, however, sell this by the measured bushel, most lawn seed being sold by weight (some 14 pounds to the bushel), which falls short probably one-fourth of a measured bushel. Four to 5 bushels of seed is required to the acre, and one quart will sow 300 square feet. Price, qt. 25 cts., pk. \$1.25, bus. \$5.

BEST OF LAWN MIXTURE.

To produce a good lawn, only such grasses should be used as are evergreen in their nature, and all those that have a rank habit, like timothy, or a tufty growth, like orchard grass, should be avoided. Our mixture is a compound of different grasses best adapted for the formation of a good lawn. 20c. per qt., \$1 per pk., \$3.50 per bus.

FINE BONE MEAL, FLOUR OR DUST.

This is ground very fine, and decomposes more rapidly in the soil than the coarser grades, and is, for that reason, more quickly beneficial. It is especially adapted for pot plants and lawns, and is very effective for that purpose. 5 cts. per lb.; postpaid, 21 cts.; 10 lbs., 40 cts.; 100-lb. bags, \$2.50; 200-lb. bags, \$4.00.

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