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ALLEN'S CATALOGUE OF CHOICE STRAWBERRY PLANTS

AND OTHER SMALL FRUITS,
VEGETABLE SEEDS ETC.

VIEW THAT MAY BE SEEN SEVERAL
TIMES DAILY DURING THE PLANT SEASON,
LOADING ALLEN'S STRAWBERRY PLANTS TO
GO BY EXPRESS TO ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

W. F. ALLEN, SALISBURY, MARYLAND.

Nineteen Hundred and Eight

ANOTHER MILESTONE in life's journey has been passed and for the twenty-third time I am handing around my catalogue. First of all I want to thank everyone who so kindly entrusted their orders to me last year (1907). So generous was the patronage received that it was by far the most prosperous year I have ever experienced. My stock of strawberry plants was so large that I hardly expected to run short on more than one or two varieties, but before the season was over about twenty of the leading sorts were entirely sold out. **THIS YEAR MY PLANTS ARE VERY FINE**, and my stock is larger than ever. Everything in the standard varieties worth growing, and all of the promising new ones, are listed, making about 108 varieties of strawberries, all of my own growing—not "pedigree stock," but plants that are **TRUE TO NAME, VIGOROUS and HEALTHY**, which to careful, intelligent growers means far more than "pedigree" as applied to strawberry plants.

My facilities for handling your orders are better than ever before and second to none. I have recently completed a large and conveniently equipped packing house where we can handle in the best possible manner over 200,000 plants daily. In a wing to this building is our moss pit (a very important factor). We use the best selected Jersey moss, which is the cleanest and best to be had. We buy it by the car load, place in pit and moisten just right—neither too wet nor too dry. This insures your plants to arrive in good condition, makes lighter packing and less express charges than when soggy wet moss is used.

I trust that my plants have given such universally good results the past season that the coming season of 1908 will eclipse the past one. I have the goods and the facilities for handling them. May I have your orders?

Again thanking you most cordially for past favors and trusting I may soon have the pleasure of serving you again, I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Please Read This Twice

I want your order for Strawberry Plants, but I want it at the right time, when I know that I can serve you equally as well as anyone, and better than a great majority in the business. When is the right time? Any time after November 1st until May 1st. March and April, the great planting season, almost our entire attention and that of over a hundred helpers is given up to filling plant orders, and we want to fill yours.

From May 1st to May 10th we will fill a limited number of orders on any stock that is unsold and put in the very best possible order, but at purchasers risk as to results.

After May 10th, during June, July, August, September and October before the 15th, We most positively will not fill any orders for small fruit plants. (This does not apply to vegetable plants).

We are willing to answer any questions during the summer months as promptly as possible, if written in a short letter and to the point. Long letters are subject to long delays. This notice was made necessary from the fact that we receive hundreds of orders for strawberry plants during the summer months when we have no plants in fit condition to transplant and when not one in ten could make even good plants grow if we could send them unless it were potted plants, which I do not grow at all. Thanking you for your attention, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

W. F. ALLEN, SALISBURY, MD.

THIS IS IMPORTANT

ORDERS should be sent in just as early as possible—it is better for you as well as the nurseryman.

TIME OF SHIPMENT.—From the time you receive this catalog to May 1st. Our heaviest shipments are made in March and first half of April.

GUARANTEE.—I guarantee plants ordered by mail or express to reach customers in good condition when promptly taken from the express office and opened at once.

CLAIMS, if any, must be made on receipt of goods, as I can not become responsible for neglect of purchaser to attend to stock after received, or for misfortune perpetrated by drouths, floods or insects.

AT PURCHASER'S RISK.—Plants ordered to be shipped by freight after March 20th will be at purchaser's risk. Plants ordered to be shipped after May 1st are shipped in best possible condition, but always at purchaser's risk.

TRUE TO NAME.—While I use every precaution to have all stock true to name, and am sure that I am as successful in doing this, as anyone in the business, I will not be responsible for any sum greater than the cost of the stock, should any prove otherwise than represented.

PACKING.—I make no charge for boxing or packing at rates quoted in this catalogue. Everything is delivered f. o. b. trains at rates named. We do not charge one price for the plants and then extortion on our customers by charging them a big price on old boxes and barrels. In buying plants I have had very satisfactory prices quoted, and when the

bill came there was quite a nice little profit charged up for packing, boxes, etc. When we go to our grocer and buy a barrel of flour for \$5.00 we do not expect to pay an additional 25 cents for the barrel, and if we buy two pounds of sugar for 10 cents, we do not expect to pay 2 cents more for wrapping it up, and if such charges were made we would not go back to that grocer. Not so much that we would care for the amount of 2 cents for wrapping the sugar, or the 25 cents for the barrel, but we would not stand for the principal of paying the price quoted for an article and then having a lot of additional charges tacked on and why should we? The principle is the same when we are charged for the package in which our plants are packed. Our price includes the packing and the package.

TWENTY-FIVE'S—All plants are tied twenty-five in a bundle.

PAYMENT.—Invariably cash in advance.

REMIT by Money Order, Registered Letter or Draft. Postage stamps for the fractional part of a dollar accepted; 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10 and 15 cents preferred. Foreign customers will please send Money Order on Salisbury, Md.

DO YOU KNOW of two or three persons who buy plants and seeds and want the best of everything? If so, they are the people that I should like very much to get acquainted with. Their names and address on a postal, or enclosed with your order, addressed to W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md., would serve as an introduction. Will you attend to it? Now please don't forget it.

The Most Liberal Prizes Ever Offered For NEW VARIETIES

\$200.00 For the Best Dozen Strawberry Plants

\$100.00 For Second Best Dozen Strawberry Plants

These prizes are offered for the best dozen plants all points considered. It does not matter whether the varieties are early, medium or late, the most valuable ones will receive the prizes. The only conditions are that the varieties winning the prizes must be new varieties that have never been introduced (That is no plants having been sold, or otherwise disposed of, at time prizes are awarded.) Anyone can compete with one or more varieties, not to exceed five kinds from one person. When sending plants be sure to write your name and address plainly on the outside of each package so that I may be sure who it is from. Make all correspondence short, and write plainly. When plants are received each lot will be numbered and that number written opposite the name and address of the sender and when the selection is made it will be made by the numbers, without any knowledge as to who sent the plants until after the awards are made,

then I will go to my records and see who sent the lucky numbers and pay the prizes accordingly. Everything shall be absolutely fair. The prizes will be awarded immediately after the fruiting season of June, 1909, and all plants not capturing a prize will be destroyed, absolutely, unless I have written instructions from the sender not to do so. All plants should be sent as soon after March 1st, by mail or express prepaid, and packed in moss. No plants should be sent after May 1st, but as much sooner as possible. **SEND 12 GOOD PLANTS OF EACH VARIETY AND NO MORE.** I hope that my offer may be attractive enough for many to compete for it, and I shall be glad to hear from those who intend doing so. As to my reputation for living up to my contracts and my financial ability to do so, I refer you to any commercial agency or any business man in this city. Address plainly,

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

many of which were really good. This variety is as late as the Gandy and more productive; furthermore, it will thrive and bear an elegant crop on soil entirely too light to produce good Gandy berries. It is equal to the Gandy in size, superior to it in firmness and shipping qualities, and in eating qualities the Gandy is no comparison. In flavor it ranks with William Belt, Brunette and others of that class. Therefore, in the Chesapeake we have attained to a greater degree than in any other variety three of the strongest points that go to make up a valuable commercial berry—these are firmness, quality and lateness. When these good points are added to the fact that it is of uniformly large size, very attractive in appearance and being one of the most healthy and vigorous growers, puts it nearer perfection than has yet been reached by any other berry, and I can conscientiously say that if it succeeds in other sections as it does here it is the

CHESAPEAKE.—This new berry was first offered by me in very small quantities in 1905. It was originated almost in sight of the Chesapeake Bay, from which it takes its name. It is one of the results of the \$100.00 prize offer which I have been making several years for the best dozen plants. This variety easily took the premium, although there were over a hundred in competition with it.

WELL PLEASED.

Fairfield Co., Iowa.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir: I received plants in good order and am well pleased with them. Yours,

Percy Greenup.

best strawberry in the world today. I fruited over two acres the past season and the berries were mostly all shipped to Boston, with the exception of a few sample crates to New York. In every instance they brought the top market price, selling one week straight at seventeen cents, which was from two to three cents more than the best Gandy berries were bringing at the same time. Every one who saw it, both growers and dealers in the fruit, were very enthusiastic. The plant is a strong, upright grower with thick, leathery and very dark green foliage; leaves are almost round and entirely free from rust. The stems or fruit stalks are upright and unusually strong, holding almost the entire crop from the ground. This variety, in addition to its other good qualities, is unusually easy to pick, and therefore very attractive to pickers, making it easier to get them handled than any other variety. Two of my boys the past season, one 13 years old, picked 201 quarts in one day, and the other 11 years old, picked 128 quarts, and this in a patch that had no special care above the ordinary field culture, that were grown in soil of only moderate fertility and no fertilizer whatever.

One large operator at this place, who has several hundred acres grown for him on contract every year, who has been planting large quantities of Gandy heretofore, has been watching the Chesapeake very closely and says he will use it in the future altogether instead of the Gandy.

The plants are still very scarce and the price somewhat higher than most varieties in third year, and yet I doubt very much that it will be possible to fill all the orders, as I shall need 250,000 for my own individual use. I advise all my customers to endeavor to get a few plants, if only a hundred, as I know you will be pleased with them. Those who procured it last season are very fortunate indeed. It is one of the few new varieties that has come to stay, and in a very short time will be a standard all over the country.

TRY ME AGAIN.

Hocking Co., Ohio, May 8, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—I received the Strawberry Plants Saturday afternoon, May 4, in good condition, for which please accept thanks.

Yours truly,

George Elsz.

CARDINAL.—The demand for this plant last spring was so great that before I knew it every plant was dug up and shipped away, although I intended to leave some for fruiting, and therefore I cannot give you my personal description of the variety, except that it is a fine growing, healthy plant. I clip the following from my 1906 catalogue:

In the spring of 1905 I bought 100 plants of the Cardinal; 25 of them were delayed in transit and practically of no value, leaving me only about 75 good plants with which to make a start. These were given somewhat better attention than the average, and they produced about 12,000 plants that were very large and showed great vigor. Anyone cannot fail to see that a large, stalky plant that will make 12,000 plants from 75 in one season, or almost 200 to the plant, is exceptionally vigorous. These plants, being propagated for plants only, were not set near any perfect flowering variety, and consequently not much in the way of fruit could be expected on the few plants that were left. There were, however, quite a number of clusters which showed quality, firmness and beauty. My opinion is that this variety is all that has been claimed for it, and I will give below the description written by those who are more familiar with the berry. George J. Streater, the originator, says:

"In 1906, while working in one of my gardens, which was used alternately for strawberries and vegetables, and in which self-sown seedlings were common, one of them showed remarkable proportions. The seed and second leaves were of unusual size. It was a little giant among the seedlings; it seemed a little prize then; it has proved a great prize since. Fruiting with a lot of promising seedlings the next season, it surpassed them all. It was the largest and most vigorous plant. The leaves were large and healthy, making a superb lung system for a plant. A great truss of beautiful bright red berries pushed through the foliage on a stem of remarkable size; the firm, solid berries were of ideal shape, large and firm, with quality of pronounced flavor. The plant matured them all. After fruiting, the mother plant showed uncommon vitality in the large number of strong pink runners that made a great cluster of plants. Autumn set plants of these, in comparison with a score of the good old kinds and best new ones, showed great superiority. The superior size of the plants, the power to produce runners, the size of the fruit and its great productiveness, makes it a giant among strawberries, and for a time was called Gigantic, but from its color it was afterwards called Cardinal."

A. W. Clark, a noted grower of Providence, R. I., speaks of it as follows:

"The Cardinal produces the most beautiful clusters of berries I have ever seen, during 35 years that I have grown strawberries. They were shown in the window of one of my customers on a principal street in the city, where crowds of people halted to admire them. At our Rhode Island exhibition I was awarded for the Cardinal first prize for best new variety, first prize for best quart, and the officers of the society were so much

pleased with the Cardinal that they awarded me a Certificate of Merit for its large size, good flavor, productiveness, good color, and long bearing, it being the first time such a certificate had ever been given any strawberry by the society. My plants produced berries for three weeks, and the foliage now stands up 12 to 15 inches high, fresh and green."

The following I borrow from M. Crawford's catalogue:

"Cardinal (Imp.)—Probably this has been more prominently before the public for the last two years than any other berry. It was originated, or rather discovered, in 1896, by Mr. George J. Streater, a well-known Ohio horticulturist, now in California, and introduced two years ago by the Templin Company, of Calla, Ohio. We have been familiar with this splendid berry for four years, and our faith in it lives and grows. The plant is perfect, large and luxuriant, and sends out many sturdy runners, which take root readily and make strong plants. The leaves are smooth and handsome, and very large and thick, furnishing abundant shelter for the blooms and berries. The fruit is large, though not the largest, nearly round, obtusely pointed, and beautifully smooth and uniform. The color is a rich, brilliant red—no white or green tips—

OUR TESTIMONIALS.

Every one of them are genuine and unsolicited. That's why I appreciate them so much. I notice that some of the plant catalogues "have dropped the testimonial feature." They say they get kicks, "too, and as they don't want to publish these they drop the testimonials. I will speak of the "kicks" elsewhere, but as to my testimonials, or more properly speaking, my "letters of appreciation," I enjoy reading them so much, and consider them such good reading, that I want my friends to enjoy reading them with me. They are too good to hide, and I only wish I could make room for all of them, but as that would crowd everything else out of my catalogue, I have to console myself with publishing a few, and I would be pleased to have everyone who sees this catalogue read them.

and the flesh is fully as dark as the surface. It is firm enough for a distant market, and at the same time delicate and tempting. The flavor is sprightly and sweet. The seeds are on the surface, which is so perfect in texture that the berries can be handled like plums. The Cardinal is not a berry that is surpassingly fine in some respects and deficient in others, but a superior all-round variety, adapted to all purposes, all soils, all modes of culture. It ripens with the medium sorts, and makes a long season."

I might add that I have a very fine stock of plants, consisting of over 200,000, all of which will no doubt disappear before the season is over. My plants are strong and healthy, and I am confident will please all those who wish to plant this variety.

CHIPMAN.—This variety has never fruited with me, and I never planted it until last spring. It has made a very good growth and looks quite promising. It has been attracting quite a good deal of attention in the strawberry sections of Delaware and is described by a reliable Delaware grower as follows: "It originated in Sussex county, Delaware, by a grower of over 35 years' experience, and is considered by him the best he ever fruited. It was first planted for field culture five years ago and has always come out ahead of every other variety planted with it in all kinds of seasons. The plants are strong, upright in growth, large and healthy, with tall, broad, bright, glossy, green foliage that has never shown any sign of rust or disease. It has strong, perfect blossoms, and is a good kind to plant with pistillate varieties. The fruit is very large with large green caps of even size and shape. It begins to ripen four or five days earlier than the Bubach; the color is dark red, bright and glossy. It is very firm, a good shipper, good qualities, and retains its bright color a long time after being picked. In productiveness it is equal to any variety ever fruited—succeeds equally well on light and heavy soil, and it is predicted that it will soon become one of the leading commercial varieties.

DICKY.—This is a new berry from Yankee Land, being originated by Mr. J. D. Gowing, who originated the Sample. The introducer says: "It is a better berry than the Sample; it is as large and productive and firm; colors all over; no green tips; very fancy. Sold last season by Hall & Cole, 102 Faneuil Hall, Boston, for 12 to 14 cents per quart, and Sample out of the same field sold for 10 and 11 cents. I have been growing strawberries for 40 years, and I thought I had seen strawberries before, but I have never seen a finer thing in the berry line in my life. The DICKY is a long-season berry, and they are the ones that grow the big crops. Last year it commenced to ripen in Massachusetts the middle of June, and on July 18 Mr. Gowing picked five crates of fine fruit." The introducer as quoted above is very enthusiastic over this new berry. It remains to be seen whether or not it will give the satisfaction the Sample has generally done. I have not seen the DICKY fruited except on spring-set plants; from plants set last spring, however, we had some very nice berries that run from medium to very large, the very large ones being somewhat irregular in size. The eating qualities were excellent. The plants are very large, stalky and healthy. The entire stock of plants is very small, but I would advise at least a trial of this new berry, especially for those who want something fine for their home garden or local market.

FREMONT WILLIAMS.—I fruited this variety the past season in a small way and was very much impressed with it. The fruit is exceptionally beautiful in appearance,

of large size, proper shape and good qualities. The plant is a very strong grower, with an abundance of dark green healthy foliage. My attention was first called to this variety by a Western grower, who writes as follows: "Why is it that you Eastern growers do not try the Fremont Williams strawberry? I shipped 50 crates to Indianapolis last season and they were pronounced the largest and finest seen in that market. They are fully as late as the Gandy, and superior to it in size, color and productiveness." The originator speaks very highly of this variety, and indeed, from what I have seen of it, I see no reason why he should not. I consider it very promising and recommend it as worthy of trial. I am so favorably impressed that I am planting a large block of it in my plant beds, as I believe there is going to be a demand for it.

GOVERNOR ROLLINS.

—This variety was originated by Benjamin M. Smith, of Beverly, Mass., and named in honor of Governor Rollins, of New Hampshire, which was Mr. Smith's native State. The plant is of medium size, healthy and robust, with thick leaves, but has not fruited here. Mr. Smith, the originator, who is very modest in his description, has this to say: "I exhibited GOVERNOR ROLLINS last June at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society Strawberry Show. It took first prize. The fruit is firm and large, perfect in shape, dark color and fine qualities. The last picking holds out well in size, as all the fruit matures, and it is not a shy bearer."

BRADLEY.

—Not having fruited this variety, I borrow the following description from a New York grower: "A strong, vigorous and productive variety, season late, berry large, good quality and attractive color; one of the most promising of the new varieties, and one that is attracting more attention from visitors than any other." The variety with me has made a splendid growth of strong, healthy plants.

GILL.

—This berry is from Southeastern Ohio. It has made an excellent growth here, but has not fruited with me. I will, therefore, give you the following description, copied from M. Crawford: "The plant is large, healthy and vigorous, with thick, smooth, dark, glossy green leaves. It makes many runners, which root promptly; the blossom is perfect, and the fruit ripens very early. The reports of the Ohio Experiment Station on this berry for 1904 and 1905 and our own observation of it on the Station grounds, convinced us that it would prove a great acquisition to those whose markets demand early berries." The Ohio Experiment Station, which is conservative and reliable, speaks of the berry as follows: "Medium size, shape conical, occasionally broad, conical, and slightly flattened; usually smooth and uniform; color light red or scarlet; seeds yellow and prominent; flesh pink, moderately firm; mild and pleasant quality; plants making low, compact, vigorous growth; flowers perfect, and produces in great profusion. In 1905 the GILL was the earliest to ripen at the Station, and the size above the average or early varieties."

GOLDSBOROUGH.

—Originated by A. T. Goldsborough, Washington, D. C., who began some ten or more years ago a series of systematic efforts to produce from seed a variety which should be ideal in both plant and fruit. After seven years of endeavor he was rewarded by the berry which bears his name. My stock of plants was purchased from M. Crawford last spring, and I borrow the following description from his catalogue: "The shape of the fruit is perfect, also the color, being a waxy light scarlet, with a deeper shade when fully ripe. Its red pulp leaves a red juice in a saucer, like its wild parent in the fields. It is rich, juicy, sweet and fragrant, requires no sugar, and is the only early berry I know which can be freely eaten out of the hand. Some of the flowers are perfect, others imperfect. Its dark foliage is so fresh and green, its hidden fruit so red, glossy and sweet, that it is a pleasure to work among the plants. It ripens a little later than the first earlies."

POPULAR EVERYWHERE.

Annapolis Co., N. S., April 22, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Plants arrived in good condition; fine plants. If they do not live, it will not be your fault.

Yours truly,

J. S. GATES.

UTAH HEARD FROM.

Utah Co., Utah, March 11, 1907.
W. F. Allen, Esq., Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Herewith order for plants and seeds. Send the plants by express and the seeds by mail. Pack the plants carefully, as they have a long distance to come. My strawberries and dewberry plants ordered last year of you were fine in quality and are giving excellent satisfaction, hence this order. Continue the good work and you will hear from me with future orders. Very truly, ELMER E. COREMAN

ENGRAVED BY
A. BLANC PHILADELPHIA

GOOD LUCK.—This is without exception the strongest growing plant and most persistent plant-maker on my place. In saying this I do not make a single exception, although we have considerably over a hundred varieties growing. Last spring I planted 5,000, thinking it would make me a stock for this season of 100,000, and probably 125,000, but it is such a persistent grower that I have not the slightest doubt that at this time I have 300,000 strong, vigorous, healthy, well-rooted plants of this variety. Owing to this fact I have put the price down to \$4.00 per thousand, not because I have lost faith in the variety, but because it multiplies so much faster than most other varieties that I can afford to offer it this, the second year, at the price of standard varieties. The plants are always strong and healthy, with long roots which are very drought-resisting. This variety comes to me as a result of one of my prize offers which was awarded in 1904 to Elwood Pedrick, of New Jersey. The fruit of this berry as compared with the Gandy is equally as large, more productive, and even two or three days earlier. In shape it is conical to broad conical or wedge-shape, with uniformly smooth, even surface, never seamed or ridged; color dark, glossy cardinal, making it very showy both on the vines and in the package after being gathered. It ripens all over at once without any green tips. The above illustration was made from a photograph and is an excellent likeness of the berry.

GOLDEN GATE.—This was produced by Mr. S. H. Warren, of Massachusetts, who is one of the most experienced growers in New England. He is a good judge of strawberries, and was largely instrumental in bringing the Marshall before the public. He describes the Golden Gate as "A strong grower, with numerous plants and luxuriant foliage. It has a strong staminate blossom with lots of pollen, which produces strictly fancy, firm fruit, clear to the end of the season, of a rich crimson color with no green tips. It blossoms early and late, making it a good pollinizer for any pistillate variety."

Mr. Warren speaks of the Golden Gate as follows: "This new seedling of mine was awarded first premium by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1904, and was highly praised by those who saw it. The judges pronounced the quality much like Marshall. In

June, 1906, it won \$23.00 on seven quarts, before the same society, and in less than five minutes after the premium cards had been placed on the baskets I had booked \$75.00 worth of orders for the plants. Seven berries filled a quart. Lots of them had only ten in a quart. Early, and makes long season."

GREAT SCOTT.—This is a new variety, not yet fruited here. It was introduced by Mr. S. H. Warren, of Massachusetts, who originated Golden Gate. As I have not fruited this variety, I will give Mr. Warren's description: "This is one of the largest of the large, a giant among strawberries. This seedling was given to me by the originator, John Scott. I gave it the name of Great because of its size, and Scott in honor of the originator, also because the phrase Great Scott is a common expression for anything surprising. It is not a chance seedling, but was produced on scientific principles. It is a cross between Bubach and Belmont. All growers know the Bubach, and the Belmont is known in Massachusetts as an excellent variety. The GREAT SCOTT plant is perfection itself. The foliage and fruit shine as though varnished, having no blight or rust. The fruit is very large, even the last picking, of a bright scarlet color, turning crimson when nearer ripe. Its qualities are good; the originator calls it extra. It is the most productive of any large variety I ever raised, and I have grown strawberries for 52 years. I was pleased the first time we picked the GREAT SCOTT to hear one of the pickers call to the boys who were gathering in another part of the bed: 'Boys, we are picking berries as big as your foot.' The GREAT SCOTT received first premium at our Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1902, and attracted much attention." Season medium to late.

FINEST HE EVER SAW.

Warren Co., N. J., April 28, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—Plants came O. K. They were the finest plants I ever saw. I am well pleased with them. I thank you very much for the extra plants.

THEODORE CASTNER.

ABINGTON.—Introduced by Lester Blanchard, of Massachusetts. It has a perfect blossom, and at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, June 21, 1904, a quart of this variety, containing just 25 berries, was awarded second prize. Mr. Blanchard says the Abington is a chance seedling. The plant is large and has dark green foliage. The fruit stalks are strong and stand erect from the ground; the blossom is perfect and filled with pollen. It ripens with the Bubach, the berry being very large, averaging as large as the Bubach, and holds out well throughout the entire season. I fruited quite a plot of it last June, and it was among the best berries on the place. In color it is bright red, with firm flesh and good flavor. Mr. Blanchard claims to have grown the Abington at the rate of 9,720 quarts per acre, and says it is a berry that will take the place of the Bubach, as it is a better plant maker; the blossoms perfect and send out more fruit stalks, and ripens at the same season; the berry is more attractive, color is finer and better flavored. I am very much pleased with the berry myself, and after fruiting it the past season would not hesitate to plant it in preference to Bubach. I have before me a letter from one of my customers from Mount Sterling, Ky., which speaks of it as follows: "The Abington was a wonder to me for its large plants, and some berries measure four and one-half and five inches in circumference without any special treatment."

ADVANCE.—Introduced four years ago by Arthur B. Printz, of Indiana. It makes a strong, healthy plant with abundance of thrifty, light green foliage, similar in color to the Clyde. It makes an abundance of strong, healthy runners, and as to plant growth, it is almost perfect. The fruit is long in shape, rather longer than Haverland. Medium early in season, and immensely productive.

AUGUST LUTHER.—This is no favorite with me. It is valued by some on account of its extra early bearing, being among the very earliest grown. The plants are fairly healthy and productive. The variety is medium size, but soon runs down. Quality fair.

ARNOUT'S.—This variety originated with J. R. Arnout, of Pennsylvania, and is not Arnout's Improved Parker Earle, as many suppose, this being an entirely distinct berry. Has a perfect blossom, large, heavy, thick, dark, glossy foliage, somewhat resembling the Glen Mary. It is free to make plants, which are always large. The berries are bright red, solid, and good flavor. It is very productive and a good shipper.

Mr. Arnout is very enthusiastic over this berry, and says he has picked many specimens that measured 6½ inches in circumference. He claims it to be very hardy, and has offered \$100.00 for one dozen plants of any variety that will excel the Arnout in size, productiveness, flavor, color, quality of fruit, uniform size, healthfulness and vigor of plant. The plants I bought of him were all-around good plants and have made an excellent showing. I have now fruited the variety, and while it answers very well to his description, it has not proven with me to be anything extraordinary. I think, however, my soil is too light for its best development, and no doubt that on a deep, heavy loam it will prove exceptionally fine.

ARMSTRONG.—In plant growth and in many respects it resembles the New York. From medium to late in season, with perfect blossom. This is claimed to be a German seedling and is supposed to have been brought to this country from Germany several years ago. For several years it has been in the hands of German fruit growers in New York State. It is one of the largest and most productive berries grown in that section. These growers claim to be able to grow them by the crate where 12 to 15 will fill a quart, and that they will bring 10 to 15 cents when others are bringing about one-half that amount. With me, as before stated, it is similar to the New York in many respects, both as to plant growth and fruit.

KICKS.

Do I get any? Yes? Show me a man who is doing any business, and gets no kicks, no complaints, and I will show you a man whose angel wings are already sprouting, and he will soon soar away and vanish. When I fail to get any kicks from some one of the thousands of people to whom I ship plants, I shall see that my will is prepared right off. I am pleased that my percentage of kicks is so very small. It averages right along considerably less than one to the hundred people with whom I do business, and these are made satisfactory, if possible, and if there is any real cause for the complaint. On the whole, I find the great majority of people inclined to be fair and reasonable, and it is a pleasure to do business with them.

W. F. ALLEN.

PROMPT ATTENTION APPRECIATED.

Page County, Va., April 6, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir: Plants arrived all O. K. Many thanks for big count, nice plants and prompt attention. Wishing you much success, I remain,
Yours very truly, D. N. CAVE.

POCAHONTAS.—This new berry comes from Virginia, and it is only fruited here on spring-set plants, on which it was very satisfactory. The plants are large and sturdy, somewhat resembling the Marshall, but more vigorous and healthy and makes better plants. S. K. Garrison, the originator of this new berry, writes me as follows:

"Mr. W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md., Dear Sir—I have one of the finest berries that has ever been seen. I showed it to all of the berry growers in this section and they all said it was the biggest berry that had ever been seen. I found the plants up in the mountains, where never a strawberry had been planted, and it is the heaviest I ever saw. From the small patch I had of them I got 32 crates every other day, and I sold them to Mr. ———, in Charlottesville, and he sold every quart of them for 25 and 30 cents, when he could not get but 10 cents for Glen Mary, and the Glen Mary is a favorite of mine. I had a lot of calls for this new berry, but I have not let any of the slips go. I have only a few of them this spring, and I have not named them yet. It is as fine, large and heavy bearer as I ever saw, and I would like for you to name them. The plant is a big, stout fellow, larger than the Glen Mary. I showed the plant and berry to a number of the prominent gentlemen here, and they will all tell you that just what I say is so."

This is one of the berries you should plant.

THREE W'S.—I have seen no fruit of this variety except on some spring-set plants I had some very nice berries that were good size, firm and good quality. The foliage is beautifully clean and healthy, dark green in color and very attractive. I consider it a promising variety. The following description, however, is borrowed from the introducer: "Plant very large and vigorous, with a wonderful root system. Fruit uniformly large, glossy red and red through and through. Fine quality and very productive, covering a long season, from medium early to late. It is remarkably firm and has wonderful keeping qualities. Berries picked Monday and shipped 500 miles to the St. Louis Exposition were placed on plates Wednesday morning. Late Friday evening out of eleven plates only seven berries could be found that were not in good condition. A part of these berries were on exhibition until the following Thursday. It has also strong frost-resisting qualities."

RED BIRD.—This is a valuable new early berry which first attracted my attention in Mississippi. It was highly recommended to me, and I was induced to set a few plants, and was satisfied from the first that they made a very rank growth of as healthy and vigorous plants as I ever saw. I paid no special attention to it until it came in fruit the past season. It ripened with the Excelsior. By this I do not mean a day or two later, but I mean equally as early. It is twice as productive, and when I say this I mean it will bear two quarts where the Excelsior will bear one. It is highly colored, not quite so dark as the Excelsior, and makes a better showing. The berries average larger and hold up better. I consider it away ahead of that good old standard market sort. I was so well pleased with it when we made the first picking that I telephoned to a friend of mine who lives 80 miles away by rail, to come at once and see it. He did so, and he told me within five minutes after he had seen it that he wanted 50,000 plants sure.

The berry is very tart, and would not be considered very good eating without plenty of sugar, but as a first early shipping berry, so far as I know of, it has no equal. This is not a long description, but it gives you the facts as I have seen it, and as the berries have done for me. After filling the order spoken of I will have probably 75,000 plants for sale, which I do not expect will be enough to last me through the season. However, those who order first will get them in rotation as long as my stock lasts.

EVERY PLANT LIVING.

Fayette Co., Ky., May 14, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Circumstances have prevented my acknowledging the receipt of the strawberry plants in due season, but remembering the old adage, "It is better late than never," I take this opportunity to do so. I wish to thank you for the extra plants you sent, also tell you that every plant out of the 425 are living beautifully. Again thanking you for your prompt and kind attention, I remain,

Very truly,

MRS. MARY L. WARREN.

ST. LOUIS.—Hails from Arkansas. It is described by Mr. Bauer as follows: "Seedling of Lady Thompson and Haverland, having the shape of the Lady Thompson, but much larger in size; we have grown specimens that 12 would fill a quart box. They are much larger than Klondike. Excelsior, Clinax, Michael Early and Lady Thompson, which all ripen about the same season as the St. Louis. We have tested them for five years before offering them for trade, and have watched them closely and think we have a better large berry than was ever sent out before. Plants grow very thrifty, and have no rust. They are fine rooted and make their plants about five to six inches apart, which accounts for their large size and large plants. Berries on long stems, making one of the easiest to pick. Firm and fine flavored. We cannot say too much for this grand new berry."

I have a few very fine plants of this variety, but it has not fruited here.

SHIPPING KING.—This variety was sent me by C. W. Scantling, Albemarle County, Virginia. The plants are making a very good growth, and look as though they might bear a good crop. It was highly recommended by Mr. Scantling, and he says it was the best on his soil. He recommended it very highly, but I have misplaced his description, and as I have not fruited it myself, I shall have to forego saying much about it. I have put the price low, and those who wish to try it at their own risk may do so.

SARATOGA.—A new one from the Empire State, originated by William Palmer, of Saratoga County. It makes a very strong growth of healthy, vigorous plants with very dark green foliage. It has not fruited with me, but looks very promising. I quote the originator as follows: "I exhibited the Saratoga at the New York State Fair in September, 1906, one plant set in May, 1906, with ordinary field culture, that had 25 good plants and several small ones. A portion of three acres was of this variety, cared for the same as the balance of the field; at one picking at the height of the season yielded at the rate of 5,000 quarts to the acre, maturing at the last of the crop with the Gandy. I have been testing it on different soils for three years, with equally as good results. It has a perfect blossom, and is a cross between the Glen Mary and Sample, two of the leading all-around berries. It has a deep red color; is a good shipper. Season medium to late."

If this berry has the good qualities of its parents, the Glen Mary and Sample both combined, it should certainly make a good one.

RECEIVED ALL RIGHT.

Ross Co., Ohio, May 7, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—Plants received all right, and am well pleased with same. Yours very truly,

R. T. BLESSING.

ON TIME AND FINE.

Summit Co., Ohio, April 25, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—The plants arrived in due time; fine ones, and in excellent condition.

Yours truly, M. CRAWFORD CO.

GOOD EVERY WAY,

Mesa Co., Colo., April 19, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—Plants came O. K. Good every way. Now they are growing while we are sleeping. Thanking you, I remain,

Yours, D. S. WILSON.

O. K. AND ON TIME.

Bradford Co., Fla., April 4, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—I received the strawberry plants which you sent me on the 8th. They are O. K. and in good condition. Thanking you for your promptness, Yours truly,

J. O. FUTCH.

WERE PACKED BEAUTIFULLY.

Essex Co., Mass., May 3, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir—The strawberry plants arrived here yesterday in fine condition. They were packed beautifully—in fact, I never before saw plants so neatly and safely arranged.

Very truly yours, WM. P. LUNT.

VIRGINIA.—This is another of our prize berries for which \$100.00 in gold is paid for one dozen plants. After fruiting it another season, when it has upheld what we said of it last year as per earliness, healthiness and vigor of plants and productiveness, I know of no better description that I can give than to quote my last year's catalogue: "At its home in Accomac county, Virginia, it has a record of 12,000 quarts per acre. In points of earliness it was only two or three days behind the Excelsior with the originator, and in some other tests it has proven equally as early. The Virginia is very productive and of good size for an early berry. The originator claims that he has marketed it in the Philadelphia market at twice the price of other early varieties. It is firm enough to make a good shipping berry, and being uniformly large for an early berry, and a bright glossy red color, it can be depended upon to bring good prices in market. The Virginia was originated in Accomac county, Virginia, hence its name, in honor of that grand and historic State. Notwithstanding the large number of varieties that were in the contest in which this variety won \$100.00 in gold, any child could have easily selected the Virginia as the best one in the lot, consisting of over one hundred kinds. The Virginia is said to be a cross between the great shipping berry, Hoffman, and the old favorite, the Sharpless. This is surely most excellent parentage, and the Virginia to a very large degree combines the good qualities and valuable characteristics of both. The foliage, while distinct, is very similar to the Hoffman, but is larger and stronger. The plant makes a strong, healthy growth,

with plenty of runners, and never shows a spot of rust. Those who want an early berry that is remarkably free from disease, good size, good qualities, ripening almost as early as the earliest variety grown, should not fail to give this berry a trial, whether growing for home use, near market, or distant shipment."

I now have a large stock of plants and have listed it at the price of other standard varieties so that everybody will have a chance to plant all they want.

HELEN GOULD.—This is a Western berry, being originated in Missouri by Mr. J. R. Peck. In 191 he sent it on trial to M. Crawford, of Ohio, who was so well pleased with it after he saw the fruit that he bought his entire stock. I received a few plants from Mr. Crawford last year and have grown from them a few hundred plants. My stock, however, is not large, and I understand the variety has never been offered to the public until this season. I give Mr. Crawford's description: "Plant large and healthy, never failing to produce a good crop. Makes a moderate number of strong runners. Imperfect blossoms, and, like nearly all pistillates, it bears abundantly in wide matted rows. The fruit is large and holds up well to the end of the season. In shape it is roundish conical, and quite uniform, though the first berry on the stem is sometimes triangular or slightly flattened, never cockscombed. In color it is a beautiful glossy red and the berry is firm with a rich, delicious flavor that is seldom equaled. We know of no variety that combines size, productiveness, beauty and good qualities in a higher degree." Season medium to late.

MAMMOTH BEAUTY.—Claimed to be one of the most profitable varieties grown in Western Massachusetts. It is a pistillate variety, and the foliage very much resembles the old Haverland, but is claimed to be very much better. The party who so strongly recommended it does not grow plants for sale, and there was no inducement from that source for misrepresentation. I have several thousand plants that are very strong, vigorous and healthy, and I consider it very promising. It made some showing of fruit on the young plants set last spring, which gave a good impression. Aside from this, I have never fruited this variety. I strongly recommend it for trial.

OSWEGO.—This originated in an old family berry bed, and is supposed to be a cross of the Buebach and Sharpless. Plants are large and vigorous, producing a sufficient number of young plants. The berries are very large, with a bright crimson color, and ripen about the same time as the Sample. Blossom perfect. One berry grower in New York State, near where the variety originated, claims to have sold the crop from one-half acre for \$400.00. As above stated, plants are very large and strong, somewhat resembling the Hummer in this respect. At the low price at which I am offering it, everyone should try a few.

PENN. DUTCHMAN.—A very promising new one from the Keystone State. The plants are as large as any I have ever seen; the foliage is clean and healthy; a medium number of plants make perfect beds. The fruit from the young plants was very large and attractive. The party from whom I bought the plants in York county, Pa., writes me as follows, under date of January 28, 1907:

"W. F. Allen, Dear Sir—I have a new kind of berry that has no name, and eleven and twelve fill a quart box that fetch 25 cents a box when the rest were only 8 cents in the Harrisburg market. They are perfect blossoms and firm. No one has them except one party and myself, and he will not sell anybody a plant. I will spare you about 500 if you wish to try them, and I will sell them to you and nobody else. Please let me know at once."

Do not fail to try a few; you will not be sorry.

BRANDYWINE.—A variety that thrives on almost any soil. In season it is medium late. The berries are large, broad and heart-shaped, of medium red color, with bright yellow seeds and firm flesh, which is red through and through. These points, combined with large size, productiveness and firmness of texture, make the Brandywine a very valuable strawberry, especially as it has a peculiarly rich, spicy flavor that charms all who taste it. This variety gives general satisfaction throughout the country. It originated in Pennsylvania, does well all through the North and Middle States, as well as being a standard and safe berry to plant in California, Florida, the Bermudas and other tropical and semi-tropical countries.

ARIZONA EVERBEARING.—The great favorite on the Pacific Coast, where it seems to give unusual and satisfactory results. We do not grow this variety for, or specially recommend it to, our Eastern customers, but to our California friends, who wish to plant the Arizona Everbearing, I wish to say that I have an exceptionally fine stock and will be pleased to have their orders. My plants are strictly true in every respect.

AROMA.—A late variety, which seems to have its greatest popularity in the Middle West. It is very firm and solid, making it an excellent shipper. As compared with the Gandy, it is about the same season, about the same size, and about the same in productiveness. Quality is good.

BEADER WOOD.—I have a nice stock of this old Western favorite. I say Western favorite, because we sell a good many plants in the West and very few in the East. The foliage is very dark green in color, rather tall, and has long, narrow leaves; has very long roots, which extend deep in the soil and enable it to endure dry weather better than most kinds. The plants of this variety are not large, but they bear large crops, and that is what most growers are looking for.

BISMARCK.—A strong grower and very productive variety, and very much resembles the Bubach in habit of growth. It has perfect blossom, especially recommended to plant with the Bubach. As this variety is well known, it is hardly necessary to give an extended description.

BOSTON PRIZE.—Very strong, healthy plants, with wonderful root growth that prepares it to bear the heaviest crop of fruit. The berries are well formed and well colored.

BRUNETTE.—This variety is noted for its exceptional fine quality. It is doubtful if there is any better eating berry grown than the Brunette. Fruit is of medium size, dark, rich red to the center, and quite productive. It was originated in Indiana by Granville Cowing.

BUBACH.

BUBACH.—Notwithstanding that many nurserymen have dropped this variety, I find there is still a great demand for it; were it not so, I should drop it myself, as the plants are hard to grow and there is but little profit in it, and I would not be able to furnish as many plants as I do but for the fact that within a few miles of me there is a small section where this variety seems to thrive remarkably well, and in this section I arrange to have the most of my plants grown. I have this season about 200,000, which will probably not be near enough to fill my orders. I will furnish them, however, as long as the stock lasts. The plants I am offering are very nice, strong and well rooted, and I believe equal to the best that can be grown. It has proved a money-making variety with many growers, who continue to demand plants from year to year. Where the soil is rich and adapted to the variety it will bed up enough for best results in good fruiting and bear large crops of handsome, large, well-flavored berries.

ELMA.—Described by Joseph H. Black, Son & Co., the introducers, as follows: "Plant is a strong grower and has healthy foliage. It is entirely free from rust. The berries are large and of a beautiful bright red color; not quite as large as the Nettie, but one of the nicest berries we have fruited."

ENHANCE.—Berries somewhat irregular in shape, medium to large, and firm; season late. It is an excellent variety for pollenizing late pistillate sorts. Foliage is very rich light green, and we do not remember of ever seeing a rust spot on it. Quite a favorite of some growers on the Pacific Coast.

SATISFACTORY.

Bristol County, Mass., May 20, 1907.
W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
Dear Sir: Plants came to hand May 6, all
O. K., and are coming along. Thanking you for
attending to the order so satisfactorily. I am,
Cordially yours, ALEX. MURPHY.

BIGGER ORDER NEXT TIME.

Westmoreland Co., Pa., April 3, 1907.
W. F. ALLEN—
Dear Sir: Your strawberry plants came all
O. K. I never saw such nice plants. I am
going to send a bigger order next time.
Yours resp., FELIX M. EBERHART.

CHELLIE;

CHELLIE.—This berry has been on the market now for several years, but for some reason I see little of it in the catalogues, possibly owing to the fact that it makes very large plants and but few of them. This variety cannot be grown profitably at the price usually charged for plants, but with me it is an excellent variety, and produces very fine berries of good quantity, that are extra fancy, large, rather pointed, and very firm. This is just the kind to suit your customers who want something a little better than anybody else and are willing to pay for them. I think our customers who grow a few and want them very nice would do well to give this berry a trial.

The above is what I said of this berry in my last year's catalogue. I have since fruited the variety again and I am even more pleased with it than when the above was written. We had an excellent crop the past season, that brought the top of the market all of the time. It commenced to ripen early and held on until late. We picked it for three weeks. Don't fail to plant some Chellie.

COLOSSUS.—Another one that I have not fruited. It has made a very good growth the past season, and the plants very much resemble Bubach, except that it makes a better growth and more plants; the foliage is entirely healthy. It is said to be a seedling of the Bubach, and very similar in plant and fruit. Berries large to very large, and very productive.

COMMANDER.—I find this a variety that makes a splendid growth and an excellent showing in health and vigor of the plants. It also bears an excellent crop of fruit, and from the past season, I was very favorably impressed with it. I quote from the introducer as follows: "Commander has but one fault, and that is it cannot hold up the immense load of berries that

WELL PLEASED.
Multnomah Co., Ore., April 28, 1907.
W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: The 1,500 strawberry plants sent by you were received in excellent shape, and I am very well pleased with them.
Yours sincerely,
SAM'L. M. BOICE.

it produces. Hay or straw should be put around the plants so that the berries can rest upon it, thus making them clean for market. I call this berry the Commander, for the following reasons: 1st, it is extra large size; 2nd, the most productive among 50 varieties; 3rd, commands the largest price; 4th, no rust, hardy plants and plenty of them; 5th, firm, solid, scarlet berry, good shipper; 6th, perfect blossom."

CROZIER.—Originated in West Virginia, by Randolph Crozier, of Crimson Springs. This seems to be an improved Sharpless, making a luxuriant growth of light green foliage similar to that variety. It is free to make plants and is very productive of berries that would pass readily for the old, well-known Sharpless. It seems to have more vigor, however, than that popular old variety. I would advise all those who admire the Sharpless to give this variety a trial.

DIXIE BELLE.—Vigorous plant; free from rust. Berry ripens early, bright red in color, large, firm, smooth, uniform in size, and very attractive in appearance. It is a native of North Carolina, and growers in that section say it is one of the best berries grown. I have a nice little stock of plants, and would be pleased to have orders from all who wish to try this variety.

NETTIE.—Originated by Joseph H. Black, and is a seedling of the Bubach and Yale, crossed by the Sharpless; the best of these seedlings were again crossed with Gandy, and among them were found the Nettie. It is large in size and as productive as Bubach. The plants are very vigorous. Season very late.

ALLEN'S PLANTS POPULAR EVERYWHERE.

Newfoundland, June 13, 1907.

Dear Sir: The plants you sent me arrived in splendid condition. I take this opportunity to thank you for the excellent manner in which they were packed, and also for the excellent condition of the plants.

Yours very truly,

C. R. STEER.

ALLEN'S PLANTS O. K.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: Your plants are O. K. People generally getting out of the habit of planting inferior plants.

Yours truly,
D. D. FISHER.

CLIMAX.—This is undoubtedly one of the very best berries on the market. Its season is early, or more properly, second early, coming on three or four days after such varieties as Excelsior, Mitchell's, etc. After having fruited it several years, I am more favorably impressed with it than ever. It is very productive, a rich, handsome berry, and holds on for a long season. This berry is supposed to be a cross of the Bubach and Hoffman. The foliage is a beautiful green color that can be distinguished from other varieties as far as it can be seen. The plants are strong and vigorous, with no showing of rust. In productivity it is simply immense. I doubt if there is any variety ever put on the market that has made a greater record for immense productivity than the Climax. The accompanying illustration is a splendid likeness of it, showing its immense productivity of large, beautifully shaped berries. In this immediate vicinity the Climax has without doubt paid better than any other variety for the last two or three years. I sold about 600,000 of this variety last season, and it is my impression that the demand will be even greater this year. While I have an immense supply of plants, it seems hard to grow enough to satisfy all customers on this kind. It is now so well tested and is proving successful over so wide a range of territory, that no one need hesitate to plant it. If you have not decided what to plant for second early, don't hesitate to put down Climax.

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COBDEN QUEEN.—A medium large berry, and shows up better than many of the larger kinds. It is a berry that will hold up well and look attractive in the market long after shipment. The plant is vigorous and healthy. It is very productive, firm, medium size, and crimson color inside and out.

ECHO.—Introduced by Allen L. Wood, Rochester, N. Y., who claims it to be a great table berry, with the highest and richest of flavors—the natural wild strawberry flavor, quite unknown to many varieties. It is very productive, medium size, and is very healthy growing, and makes a tremendous growth of strong, healthy, vigorous roots. With me it commenced to ripen mid-season and bears a big crop, continuing almost as long as any of the late varieties.

FLORELLA.—A seedling of the Bubach, crossed with the Lady Thompson. Has dark green foliage free from rust. Its root system is very large, sending out large fibrous roots to a great distance. The berries are large to very large, crimson color, and fine flavor. Fruit stems are long, which holds the berries up from the dirt. Season of ripening as early as Lady Thompson, and its firmness commends it to the commercial grower.

FAIRFIELD.—Season of ripening almost as early as Mitchell Early, Hoffman, Excelsior, etc. It is larger than either in size and has far better qualities than either Excelsior or Hoffman. This variety is becoming more popular every season. There is getting to be a great demand for the plants, which is positive evidence that it is giving satisfaction. One will not get far out of the way in planting this for early crop. At the Ohio Experiment Station, where it was put in competition with over 160 other varieties, it was the most productive of all the early kinds. The quality of this berry is good and the plants are strong and healthy, very much resembling the Haverland. No one need hesitate to plant this who wants a good early berry for either the home garden or for market.

COBDEN QUEEN

EXCELSIOR.—There is not a strawberry earlier than the Excelsior, under good culture. The berries are medium to medium large in size and very productive, and one of the best shipping berries. I have grown fields of this that would average 5,000 quarts to the acre. Taking the whole country over, this has been a very popular standard sort for quite a number of years, and is probably as largely grown now for market as any of the extra early varieties. After giving it half a chance it will take care of itself and bring splendid returns. It is too sour to suit the taste of the average person, and has, therefore, never become popular for the home garden.

EARLY HATHAWAY.—This variety was sent out five years ago with many strong claims for its superiority as an early market berry. I must confess that after first seeing it in fruit I did not like it, and did not advise my customers to buy it. After seeing it two more seasons, I am thoroughly convinced that it is one of the best varieties. In a trial plot of over one hundred varieties it proved to be of good size, firm and of a beautiful, attractive color.

JOHNSON'S EARLY.—Time of ripening second early; berries are above medium in size, very prettily colored, and extra fine quality. I really doubt if there is an early berry that will equal it when quality alone is considered. The foliage is clean and healthy and one of the most persistent plant makers. It is particularly adapted to stiff

EARLY HATHAWAY.

WE'LL PLEASED, WILL PLACE ANOTHER ORDER WITH YOU.

 Mr. W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: Our order of strawberry plants was received from you some two weeks ago, and have been set out, and are doing nicely, scarcely any of those set out having died. They stood the journey well and were in first class condition, with the exception of the Climax, which were not so bright as the others, but in fair condition to plant. We are pleased with the plants, and if they continue as started we shall probably place another order with you next season.
 Very truly,
 BURLINGHAM & GOODSON.
 Rockingham Co., N. Y., May 20, 1907.

clay and low land, where it bears a satisfactory crop, but does not bear well if planted on light, sandy soil.

KANSAS.—Where given good culture under best conditions, it is very desirable. Should be planted on rich, moist land. Fruit rather above medium in size and immense productiveness. It is a persistent plant maker, and will often get too thick to give good results unless kept thinned. The fruit is a brilliant crimson, not only on the surface, but through and through, free from rust or disease of any kind. It is the most fragrant strawberry that I know of. I am just in receipt of a letter from George L. Cross, Los Angeles, Cal., who has this to say of the Kansas:

"The Kansas has done exceptionally well. I have not missed picking them a single week since last Christmas. I want 5,000 plants of them this coming season. Send your catalogue as soon as it is ready."

This letter is dated October 20. Judging from it, I would advise other of our California and Pacific Coast customers not to fail to give this berry a trial.

COMMONWEALTH.

Commonwealth fruited with me the past season and proved to be a very good sort. We picked a good quantity of fine large berries. I do not especially recommend this variety for the South, as I think it is more adapted to the Northern sections, and for best results should be given high culture. When these conditions are met it is a very fancy berry. I quote from Mr. Monroe, the originator, as follows:

"The Commonwealth is the outcome of the desire and an effort to produce a berry that would perceptibly lengthen the strawberry season. In the Commonwealth we have a berry that is as large as the largest, as productive as any of the largest, as fine flavor, as solid and as dark color as any. It has a smooth surface, is very rich and juicy, and has strong staminate blossoms. On the 17th day of July, 1902, as good berries were picked as at any time during its season. Marshall, Glen Mary and McKinley, side by side with it, being gone. The last berries were picked July 22. The plant is a strong grower, not so rank as the Marshall, and a fair plant-maker. The Massachusetts Horticultural Society, always ready to recognize special merit, awarded the Commonwealth first prize in competition July 5, 1902, and July 11, 1903."

James J. H. Gregory, the well-known seedsman, of Marblehead, Mass., has this to say:

"I saw the Commonwealth on the grounds of the originator, and a grand sight it was. The berry is tremendously large (14 of those I picked filled a quart basket), the berries are symmetrical in shape, and have a rich, glossy color; the flesh is red, nearly as dark as the Marshall. It is a great cropper and appears to be hard flesh enough to ship well. One of its most valuable characteristics is its lateness in maturing, for when I was there, July 2, the large bed, which had bushels of growing fruit, had to be searched over very carefully to find a quart of ripe berries."

C. S. Pratt says: "It is a week later than Sample and a better berry; it will be sold as the Marshall and nine-tenths of the people will not know the difference."

Benj. M. Smith, of Beverly, Mass., well known as a grower of fine strawberries, and the introducer of the Beverly strawberry, says that he has "watched the Commonwealth carefully on the originator's grounds by the side of all the leading varieties, and for vigor and plant productiveness and quality of fruit it excels them all." He says it is very late and one of the best he ever saw.

CLYDE.—This is a very popular berry in some sections, especially in the middle West. We have sold a great many thousand plants of Clyde in Kentucky, where it seems to be one of the leading ones for main crop. The Clyde is immensely productive, with fruit nearly as large as the Bubach, and would be one of the most popular varieties, but for the fact that its foliage sometimes gives way about fruiting time, and there is not sufficient to protect its immense crop of fruit. This deficiency can to a very great extent be overcome by an application of nitrate of soda just before they come in blossom, being careful to put it on when the plants are dry. When this method is followed it is a very desirable variety.

GANDY.—Too well known to need any extended description. This is the standard late variety all over the country, by which all other late varieties are compared. It should be planted in black swamp land if possible, otherwise in clay land or medium land of the springy nature, never on dry, sandy land. I have an excellent crop of very fine plants this season, which I think will please the most exacting. I shall be pleased to have your order.

GLEN MARY.—Introduced by myself and first sent out just eleven years ago at \$10.00 per hundred. I have had so many good reports on the Glen Mary that I should be astonished to hear of even a partial failure, especially in New England and Western sections. I have never recommended this to the Southern growers, but have just received a letter from the Western Shore of Virginia, from a party who says he bought it from me nine years ago, and in all that time it has proved his best variety. They are big, dark red beauties with prominent seeds of bright yellow; the meat is crimson, very rich and juicy. They are of such high flavor that, as the saying goes, they "always taste like more." As a good, firm shipper it is very popular, for fancy local market there are few, if any, better; for this reason it is a great favorite among the large and small growers. It has no particular choice of soils, and does not require netting. The roots are long and well-developed, providing plenty of moisture for the plants during a drought. The foliage is large, upright in growth and dark green in color; the leaves are nearly round with a dark, glossy surface, making it of a beautiful appearance in the field. The fruit stems, although large and strong, are weighted to the ground by the large clusters of berries; for this reason they should be well mulched to keep them clean. The Glen Mary, while listed as having a perfect blossom, is by no means recommended to plant with other

pistillates, as its blossoms are not strong in pollen, but usually have plenty to fertilize its own flowers. Most people grow it without planting any others with it, and for that reason it is listed as staminate, although it is about semi-staminate. The berries are just the right size to make a fine appearance in the crate, and you should not be timid about asking a big price for them, as everyone will pay extra to get such fine berries.

A prominent grower writes me that he has been testing seventy varieties, covering a period of several years, and he says Glen Mary and Sample are the best. I have another letter from a Connecticut grower that reads like this: "I write to thank you for your information regarding the two largest varieties of strawberries grown, and at the same time to say that the Glen Mary is the best and largest berry that I can find. Every year I try from four to eight new ones, and so far none of them will equal the old Glen Mary. Four-fifths of all I plant this season will be of this variety."

The stock of Glen Mary plants this season is somewhat short, and I do not know if I have more than about 250,000 to 300,000, and as all the other growers whom I have consulted are short on this variety, it has been necessary to slightly raise the price from last year. We will not have enough, however, to fill all our orders the coming season, but shall do the best we can and fill all orders in rotation as long as we have a plant.

GENERAL DE WET.—Originated by T. C. Kevitt, of New Jersey. Mr. Kevitt claims this variety to be frost-proof from the fact that it does not bloom out in time for the frost to catch it. I might say right here, however, that it did not escape the freeze we had on the 10th of May two years ago, when almost every variety on the place was ruined. No doubt Mr. Kevitt's estimate on the frost-proof qualities might be verified in a very light frost, as he says it does not bloom out until very late. The berry is a very deep red color, with a luscious flavor, with a dark green cap, making it very popular in the market. Mr. Kevitt predicts that it will become very popular.

GENERAL JOE WHEELER.—Season a little earlier than the Lady Thompson. This variety has a perfect blossom and is very strong, vigorous and healthy in growth. It is about the equal of Lady Thompson in size and very much resembles it in color and productiveness. If any difference, it is rather more productive. This is a Southern variety and is supposed to be a seedling of the Lady Thompson.

EVERYTHING SATISFACTORY.

York Co., Maine, April 24, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN—

Dear Sir: I received the plants and everything was satisfactory. They were in very good condition. Yours truly,

MEDERIC CREPEAU.

HAVERLAND.

This variety is well known throughout the country, and the demand for it seems to grow larger all the while. It will be hard to say too much in favor of this good old standard sort, and I doubt if I can improve on last year's description, which is as follows:

This has proven to be the most popular mid-season variety. It was proven by a test vote several years ago, it receiving one-third more votes as being the best mid-season variety. (There were no votes sold and no bribery at the election, either.) While a pistillate variety, it is one of the easiest to pollinize. The plant is healthy, large and vigorous, makes ample runners and is very productive. The bloom is medium size and extremely hardy. They should be well mulched, as the fruit stems are not able to hold the immense load of berries from the ground, and the straw will keep them clean and also make picking easier. This variety is so enormously productive that the bright, large, juicy berries lie in great heaps around the plant. This berry has worked its way to the top; it has never been boomed by any introducer, as most varieties have been. Any one not thoroughly familiar with the varieties, and wishing to start in the strawberry business, will always be safe to plant this kind. It was a leader a generation ago, and unlike most other varieties, seems to be as good today as it ever was. It is not likely that anyone would ever regret planting the Haverland. Under favorable conditions, I have seen it average as large as guinea eggs. It demands close to a million plants a year to supply my trade of this variety, which shows its immense popularity.

HEFLIN'S EARLY.—This variety seems to be quite a little in demand. why, I cannot understand, as with me it is positively the poorest grower and the most sickly looking plant on the farm. I planted it last year in quantities sufficient to have made at least 100,000 plants; I do not believe there are 10,000, while right beside it other varieties have made an excellent growth and fully up to expectations. Owing to its failure to grow, I am only able to offer it in lots of 100 or less. I may plant another row next year, but not more than that, as it is rather expensive cultivating and trying to grow a crop that persistently refuses to grow. Personally, I do not recommend it.

HOFFMAN.—For many years the most largely grown market berry in the South. It is very firm and is quite productive on heavy or springy land; it does not do well on sandy land. At the station about 30 miles south of Salisbury it has been the most largely grown variety for many years, and is always sold at the depot at paying prices, owing to its excellent carrying qualities.

HOWARD.—A late variety, ripening with the Gandy and excelling it in productive-ness, also in growth and quality of fruit. It is a seedling of Barton's Eclipse crossed with Gandy. It has made a very good showing with me, and is spoken of in the *Rural New Yorker* as follows: "Late, strong, productive, foliage tough and resistant, very large berries, firm and well colored, quality better than Gandy; a promising market sort."

HUMMER.—Offered by me for the first time two years ago, and I sold a hundred thousand plants the first season. It is a very strong, healthy plant, somewhat resembling New York. These large, vigorous plants load up with big, beautiful, luscious berries. Anyone who buys plants of this variety cannot help but feel that they have something valuable when they see the large, starchy plants it makes. My stock of plants this season is not quite as large as last year, and it is somewhat doubtful if I will have enough to go around. In a letter just received from Mr. A. G. Salsbury, Ridgely, Md., he has this to say of the Hummer: "If you remember, I bought a number of varieties of strawberries from you in the Spring of 1906. These plants fruited this season, and I want to say to you that the Hummer beats anything I ever saw or heard of. I think you will have a great many orders for them from this section this spring."

The history of the berry is best given in a letter which I received from Mr. Kolvoord, from whom I obtained my plants. The letter is as follows:

Kalamazoo County, Mich., Jan. 21, 1906.

W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md., Dear Sir—On my grounds is a new strawberry that is a "Hummer." Understand me, while I am not its originator. It has been grown for several years by a man who lived about ten miles from here. He always refused to sell plants, notwithstanding as high as \$2.00 each were offered for them, but two or three years ago he sold by mistake for Sharpless. After he found it out he tried to induce the man to dig them up, but the buyer mistrusted what he had received and said he thought those would do. We growers have not been able to compete with said berry in Battle Creek market. One of the merchants had its exclusive sale and shipped it as a fancy berry to Kalamazoo, Jackson, Lansing, etc. The original owner has sold out and removed to the West. I know of but one besides myself that has this variety. He is an old man from whom I got my plants. I do not believe any introducer has it. It is my opinion that it is an English berry, because the man above alluded to is an Englishman. The originator being out of the field and out of the business, I feel at liberty to let you have some of the plants.

Yours truly,

JOHN KOOLVORD.

KLONDYKE.—This is getting to be one of the the most popular of the early market varieties. One prominent grower in Ohio says: "This is a good old variety. The plants are only medium size, but very productive. Like Gandy, it produces some pistillate blossoms early in the season. The fruit is large, obtusely conical, smooth red, firm and of good quality." Another grower in Mississippi says: "I have 50 acres of this variety alone. It leads all other varieties as a great market berry in this part of the country. There is more of it planted here than any other 20 varieties." Staton, Sweet & Co., who operate in this county, and who have large quantities of strawberries grown by contract, have been growing more or less Klondyke for several years. It has paid them very well and they have 400 acres now. They consider it one of the very best market varieties. Other large growers are also planting heavily of it. I find it very satisfactory. It makes a good crop of well-colored, firm, large berries such as ship well and bring the top of the market. It makes a fine growth, being no trouble to get a good stand, and, in fact, is one of the best early berries I know of."

I have a large stock of very fine plants.

LIVINGSTON.—This is a seedling of the Warfield, and like that variety makes plenty of medium size plants, but they are wonderful for health and vigor. The berry is larger than the Warfield, but not as firm. It colors all over, has a slight neck and easily picked. The berries are bright red without and within, and have a rich, delicious flavor. It ripens early and makes a long season.

GREENVILLE.—Considered by many an improvement on Bubach, especially in point of firmness and vigor of plant. The fruit is finely colored. Has been reported by many experimenters in small fruits as a very fine berry. Originated several years ago from Ohio.

MAY KING.—Twenty-three years ago, when I first entered the plant business, on a very small scale, the May King was the first variety that I grew for plants. It pleased a great many growers at that time, and to my knowledge made money for quite a number of them. I grew this variety for a number of years and then let go altogether, as there seemed to be but little demand for it for a time. Some three years ago I tried to get a new stock of it, and I had great difficulty in doing so, but finally got hold of a few plants. I now have a stock of about 50,000. The May King is very fine in quality—in fact, I know of nothing better for eating from the vines. Those who would like to try this old variety again can now do so.

JESSIE.—This is a fancy variety that makes a great showing where the soil suits it. There are more places, however, where it will not suit than where it will. For several years I ceased to grow this variety, but quite a number of our customers kept inquiring for it, and for that reason I have put it in stock again. I have a nice supply of plants and will be pleased to furnish those who want it. Where the soil conditions are favorable to the Jessie it is an exceptionally fancy berry for either home use or for market.

JESSIE.

MORE THAN PLEASED.

Otsego Co., N. Y., April 27, 1907.

Dear Sir: My plants arrived in good condition and I can assure you that I am more than pleased with them. I have them all set and started to grow. I wish I had more land to set some more of them. Will get more plants next year. Thank you kindly for the goodly number of plants that you sent.

Yours very truly, WM. J. WILLIAMS.

LADY THOMSON.—This is a great Southern berry, and is grown by the thousand acres in the great strawberry sections of North Carolina, and especially at Chadbourne, where there is probably more strawberries grown than in any other single place in the world, fully nine-tenths of the acreage at this place is Lady Thomson, and so far they have found nothing to equal it. It makes strong, healthy plants that produce large crops with medium large, firm berries. This variety is especially adapted to the South, but is grown to some extent in other sections. It is a good one for California and the Bermuda Islands.

MARSHALL.—This is a great fancy berry for the New England market. The grocers are always delighted to get the Marshall on account of its dark red glossy color that is bound to attract and please customers. It is one of the richest flavored strawberries grown. The only fault we can find of the Marshall is that it does not last the whole year. This is one of the good old standbys, and we have seldom been able to fill all the orders received for plants of this variety. I have an excellent stock this year, however, and hope to be able to supply all my customers who want it. We will at least be able to accommodate a great many. It is a winner at all exhibitions, and has taken more premiums at the Boston berry show than any other variety. It is strictly a fancy berry and will take care of itself on any market. It is not quite as productive as some other varieties, but the large size of the berry goes a long way towards making up for this in filling the quarts, and the extra prices received for them will more than compensate for their lack of productiveness than the cost of an extra care that you can give them. The best class of trade will pay more for berries like the Marshall after once using them. The foliage of the plant is very large and of a beautiful upright growth. Don't fail to send me your orders for Marshall this year.

NEW GLOBE.—The New Globe is a late berry, making large, vigorous, stalky plants. The foliage seems to be free from rust and disease, and the fruit quite large, fine flavored, solid, and makes roots which are long, enabling it to mature its berries and hold a good size until the end of the season. It will stand more drought than some others.

NORTH SHORE.—Originated by Benjamin H. Smith, of Beverly, Mass., who speaks of it as follows: "Solid and firm, quality of the best, size large." My personal experience with this variety is that it makes a splendid growth, and bears a good crop of very firm, large berries of good quality. It is very late.

NEW YORK.—(See last cover page for illustration.) This is a native of New York State, and was originated by Miss Yates, of Tompkins County. I introduced the New York eight years ago at \$5.00 per dozen. It was the first of the famous prize berries for which I paid \$100 for one dozen plants. The berries are very large, some rather pointed, while others are thick and broad. The color is blood red, with a shiny surface. The seeds are so nearly the same color of the berry and so deeply seated that they are scarcely noticeable. It is a strictly fancy berry and a prize winner, just the kind to make the grower famous in his local market and give him the best trade. Small, inferior berries have no show by the side of the New York, no matter how cheap they are. It is very prolific, bears through a long season, but it does not matter how fast they ripen, there are always more eager buyers than can be supplied. Its excellent qualities and wonderful productiveness make it very profitable to grow, either for shipping or home trade. The cap is large and stands up prominently; the foliage is light green and a luxuriant grower, with an extra large, glossy-surfaced leaf. The plant is one of the largest and healthiest on the place, equaling in this respect the Marshall. The New York has been grown on light soil and on stiff clay with splendid results in both cases. It is a seedling of the Bubach and Jessie. Since its introduction it has become very popular, and there is a large demand for the plants all over the country, and it sometimes puzzles me to grow enough plants to supply the trade. I have had the New York sell on the Philadelphia market for 13 cents when other varieties were a drug at 6 and 8.

MEADE.—I fruited the Meade the past season for the first time. It is a beautiful dark red berry and very fine quality; moreover, it is very productive, and is firm enough to stand shipping; it is good enough for the local market, and should be a favorite on the home table. Much has been said of this berry through the press and otherwise. The *Garden Magazine* recently devoted a full page to illustrating and describing this variety. The following is quoted from what they have to say:

"This fine new strawberry is the result of over 20 years' experimenting in the growth of seedling strawberries by Mr. H. O. Meade, ex-president of the Massachusetts Fruit Growers' Association, and he says that his life's work and reputation as a fruit grower is staked on the value of this grand new berry. It is a very stalky, low-growing plant, with broad, very dark and glossy foliage, a moderately free plant-maker, seldom crowding too much for matted row culture, and when runners are kept off for hill culture it stood up heavily and consequently throws up many strong berry-bearing stalks in fruiting season. All the berries that form develop to fullest perfection, and every specimen ranks as first class. The berries are of large size, pointed, globular, like the small end of a hen's egg, as though all had been perfectly moulded from one pattern; deep, glossy red color on outside and red flesh all the way through. A perfect berry, mildly sub-acid and moderately firm."

James Draper, of Worcester, Mass., writes:

"The Meade is a plant whose foliage eclipses all others in vigor, healthfulness and richness of color. The berry is well formed, glossy red and good quality. I noticed in our Worcester market last June that the Meade commanded the highest prices of any variety on the fruit stands."

MITCHELL'S EARLY.—Too well known to need any extended description here. If grown on good soil, it must be kept thinned. For eating from the vines there is probably none better, and until the Excelsior came it was the leading early berry for the market as well as for home use.

MRS. MILLER.—I borrow the following description from M. Crawford: "It appears likely to win a position among the very best of our late varieties. Its great healthy plants, green and clean, are a delight to the grower and its generous yield of brilliant berries shining among the leaves amply reward all his care and pains. The fruit is very large and dark red, oblong in form, slightly flattened and of a delicious flavor; the flesh is red; medium to very late."

MORNING STAR.—Again I did not have any of this to fruit the past season. I am, therefore, still unable to speak of this from experience as relates to the fruit, and will again use the originator's description, which is as follows: "The Morning Star is the largest and finest strawberry thus far known that ripens early. Berry very large, broadly conical with blunt apex, bright scarlet crimson, exceptionally uniform in size and shape. Plant a reliable heavy yielder. It is exceptionally firm for an early berry, of the finest flavor, rich and sugary. Valuable for market or home use."

Last year my beds died out badly from some cause which I have not been able to determine. This season, however, it has made an elegant growth again and looks as though they will be in shape to bear a large crop. Mr. W. J. Robinson, near White Haven, Md., who bought plants from me two years ago, says this is one of the best varieties, and he is very much pleased with it.

NICK OHMER.—This is a strong, perfect-blossom variety, productive of large, rich, dark glossy red globular berries, highly colored all the way through, and of a superior flavor. It is a great market berry and a superb variety for the home table. While some large growers plant more of this variety than any other, it does not seem to be a general favorite with the great mass of strawberry growers. It is a variety that responds readily to high culture and extra attention. It thrives best on deep, moist soil.

NICK OHMER.

**YOUR PLANTS THREE TIMES AS GOOD
 AS PEDIGREE STOCK.**

Cortland Co., N. Y., April 12, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I send you herewith a small order for strawberry plants. Hope I will get as good ones as I did last year. The plants you sent me last spring were the finest I ever bought, and grew the best. I also bought some pedigree plants—wish you could see them. One row of yours is worth three of his, without any doubt, both in same bed side by side.

Respectfully,

C. E. WILCOX.

NEW HOME.—This variety has again made an excellent record, having given me a large crop of beautiful, firm berries that sold considerably higher than the common run of the crop the past season. While there seems to be places where it does not do well, it has been more certain to give me a crop and bring good prices for the last ten years than anything that I have grown. Some of the new ones may be better, and in fact at this time I should prefer the Chesapeake of the two, but as above stated the New Home has made me more money than any variety of strawberries I have ever grown. It is described as follows: As late and as large as the Gandy, fruit bright red color that does not lose its lustre and turn dark after being picked a long time; uniformly large size and the best shipping berry grown, Hoffman not excepted. Vigorous growth, and, unlike Gandy, will produce a large crop on either high or low land. The fruit is so firm and the keeping quality so good it does not require picking oftener than three times a week, when it will usually make 1,000 quarts or more per acre at a single picking during the height of the season. Pickers are always anxious to pick these berries, and I have had good pickers that would pick 40 quarts an hour; some say they could do even better.

One peculiarity about the plants of the New Home I want to mention, and that is, that all through the rows there are more or less very light colored or yellow leaves; this is the characteristic of the variety and seems to do it no harm. I want to mention this because a great many have written me about it. You could not have the variety true if you could not see this freak of nature sprinkled through your beds.

Since having this berry on the market I have had some very flattering reports, and quite a number that were not. I can only say that if it does for others as it has done for me, you will find it one of the best paying varieties you can grow.

PRESIDENT.—A most remarkable variety, ripening in mid-season. For large size, beauty, great productiveness and high quality it stands very high among strawberries. It is, however, of tender texture and is not suited for shipping to distant points. The plants are of immense size, one of the largest on our farm, and under ordinary culture the huge berries were literally heaped on the rows. The quality is of the very best; berries globular but somewhat irregular, occasionally ridged, deep rich crimson with a large bright green cap. Flesh deep red. They remain large until the end of the season, and the plants retain their rich green color until all berries have been gathered. Highly recommended at recent meeting of the New Jersey Horticultural Society, and by numerous prominent growers. I fruited a few of these the past season and found them very satisfactory. The neighbors who came over and saw the President

were very enthusiastic over it, and in almost every instance wanted plants.

OOM PAUL.—This variety has made a wonderful growth of large, healthy plants. It makes enough runners to bed up nicely and the fruit is long, large and sometimes flattened; color dark red both inside and out; the flesh is quite firm and of good quality. I fruited the Oom Paul the past season for the first time, and I believe it is a variety that is going to give general satisfaction. The Ohio Experiment Station says: "A fine large berry that has many good qualities and worthy of careful trial for the home market."

Personally I consider it good enough not only for the home garden, but a variety that will give excellent results for shipping, as it is a berry that will show up well, and firm enough to carry well. It is my opinion that no one will make a mistake planting this variety.

PARSONS' BEAUTY.—Originated in this country, and has been largely grown around Pittsville and Parsonsburg. It is immensely productive, medium large, and good quality. To anyone who has a near market where the fruit can be hauled in, or picked one day and sold the next morning, I would recommend this variety, but for long shipment, it will not carry as well as many others. It makes a luxuriant growth of dark green foliage.

PENNELL.

PENNELL. This variety was not very popular when first introduced, but seems to be gaining ground. It bears well and is exempt from rust, and is an extra fine quality, just the kind to please your best customers, if they are willing to pay for quality as well as appearance. You get both in this variety. The fruit is large, round, deep red in color, moderately firm, and as above stated, very fine quality.

OAK'S EARLY.

Fruited with me the first time the past season. I found it fully as early as the Excelsior, equally as productive and firm enough for a good shipper. It makes lots of vigorous plants, not large, but very hardy, and a persistent grower. This should prove a valuable variety where extra early berries are desirable.

The Oak's Early was found in an adjoining county, growing wild by the side of an oak stump in the cornfield on Mr. Wm. Tull's farm. The strong, vigorous growth of the plant attracted Mr. Tull's attention. The plant was left standing and cultivated. The plants were so promising that a part of them were dug and planted; those that remained ripened an unusually large crop of best berries, coming in with Mitchell's Early and Hoffman, resembling the latter celebrated variety, but far superior to it in many respects, being a much better grower and three times as productive. The berry is beautiful in appearance and has a large green cap. Mr. Tull has propagated this variety for several years and it has proven a gold mine to him, having cleared nearly double the amount he paid for his farm three years ago. It is rumored that his farm was heavily mortgaged, and that his prospects looked very gloomy until he found this berry, which has more than paid all his indebtedness. Three crops have been marketed, none of which have been shipped on commission, because the buyers have greedily bought them, always giving the highest market prices at the station. Individual farmers have tried three years to buy plants of this variety from Mr. Tull, but he steadfastly refused to sell any until the spring of 1905. I have a beautiful supply of plants

OAK'S EARLY.**PRIDE OF CUMBERLAND.**

— Brilliant red in color and holds its lustre and freshness for a long time after taking from the vines. It grows well on any soil, but gives better results on springy, rich land. The worst that can be said about it is that its blossom blights very easily, and for this reason it often fails to produce good crops. Where everything is favorable it is very productive and very firm quality, ships well, and brings the highest price in market.

PROF. FISHER.

— This is another of Joseph H. Black's seedlings, and is described by the *Rural New Yorker* as follows: "Late and coming in with the Gandy, plants vigorous, tall, broad foliage. The berry is large, sometimes cockscombed, smooth, round, of good qualities, but not very firm. It matures its whole crop in a very short time." With me it has hardly been satisfactory, and is not a variety that I would recommend planting, unless you have first tried it yourself.

RELIANCE.

— Introduced by Peter Henderson & Co. This is their description: "A seedling of the Mary crossed with Marshall, very large in size and a perfect blossom. It resembles the Mary somewhat in shape, the color is almost perfect; very fine quality, juicy and luscious and solid to the center. The growth is fair, large, deep green, handsome foliage, and the fruit is borne on long stalks in great profusion." My personal experience with this variety is that it makes a rather weak growth, but is a variety of excellent qualities for the home table, and ripens very early for a large berry. Its table qualities are excellent.

RIDGEWAY.

— This is no favorite of mine. Claimed to be a very excellent late berry, and I presume gives satisfaction to some growers. It has never amounted to much here, and I only plant a few to supply some customers who call for it.

TEXAS.

— This berry is from Texas, for which State it is named. It is firm enough to ship, but not quite as dark in color as Excelsior, and in many respects a very desirable variety; no rust rather than disease seems to affect it. Under certain climatic conditions it has a tendency to bear considerable fruit in the fall, the same as Senator Dunlap. It was introduced by Jacob C. Bauer, of Judsonia, Ark., who sent out the Excelsior. Mr. Bauer died last year of a cancer.

THOMPSON'S NO. 2.

— Originated by Mark T. Thompson, near Richmond, Va. This variety has made a vigorous, healthy growth here, and its firm, dark green foliage makes a beautiful showing. The originator describes it thus: "Large size, beautiful color, having the appearance of being varnished, large double cap like the Gandy; very productive, and bears through a long season; very richest and best quality, and one of the best shippers, having a tough skin not easily broken by handling. It retains its beautiful dark green foliage all through the season without a spot of rust, and has a perfect blossom."

UNCLE JIM.

— Makes a strong, healthy growth of large foliage similar to New York. It is said to be a chance seedling found near an old fruiting patch by Mr. Jim Dornan in Michigan some six or seven years ago, where 15 to 25, if grown under favorable conditions, will usually fill a quart. This is an excellent berry for growers who want a fancy, large berry for home use or nearby market. I would hardly advise it for shipping purposes.

GOOD ENOUGH TO READ TWICE.

Cheshire Co., N. H., May 24, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: The 5,000 strawberry plants shipped me April 22 arrived at my station the 24th. I thank you for the extra care you gave my order. The plants were nicely packed, and an extra nice lot of plants. Nearly every plant lived and they are growing finely. I have just finished cultivating and hoeing for the first time. Any one wanting good plants and a square deal will make no mistake in sending their order to W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md. When I want more plants I shall send my order to you surely. Very truly yours, J. E. SHELDON.

BUSTER.—This is one of the good things that seems to have been overlooked by a great majority of growers. Buster is a cross of the Bubach and the Sharpless. It is of large size, bright red, in color, moderately firm, medium in quality and medium to late in ripening. The blossoms are pistillate, but extremely hardy. During the spring of 1906, when nearly every other variety was killed by a late May frost, the Buster gave us a full crop. It is also very vigorous and healthy, having a luxuriant dark green foliage that defies a reasonable amount of dry weather. The fruit holds up large all through its long season. This is a good reliable variety that I advise you to plant. It will please you from the time it starts to grow after you set the plants until you have harvested your crop.

VICK'S UNCLE JOE.

—This fruited with me the past season, and it is so much like New York that I am somewhat in doubt as to whether it is identical or not. So far as my observation goes, the description of New York will fit this as well as any I could write. I quote the following description from James Vick's catalogue, who introduced the berry two years ago: "Vick's Uncle Joe is entirely a new and distinct seedling, and the confidence gained by 52 years of experience in superior strawberry culture warrants our saying that it combines all the Vick qualities necessary to make it the ideal which has so long been sought. Its fruit is perfect in form of a dark, rich, glossy color, firm flesh, monstrous in size, combined with a most luscious flavor for every purpose, either for home use or for market, stands today without a peer in the world's numerous strawberry family."

VICTOR.—Described by M. Crawford: "Plant of fair size, tough and healthy, like Senator Dunlap, and productive under any method of culture. The foliage is thrifty, dark green and handsome. The fruit is very large, round, conical, sometimes corrugated, dark glossy red, firm and of fine flavor. This is a great berry for market and home use and an excellent canner. Season medium to late."

VELVET.—The following description is borrowed from the introducer: "Wonderfully productive, and the fruit is large, bright red color, firm and of good quality. The plants are large with bright green foliage, clean and healthy, making good rows for fruiting. Season of ripening medium to late."

WARFIELD.—A well-known standard variety, very productive, mid-season, and especially popular in the West. Fruit good quality and highly colored. It is a persistent plant-maker, and if not kept thinned out they will be so thick that it will be impossible for it to bear fruit of a desirable size; but if kept thinned it is very productive of medium-size, highly-flavored fruit. My stock of plants this season is very nice.

WILD WONDER.—Makes an abundance of runners and large quantities of rather small, though long-rooted plants. I notice that the plant is inclined to rust, though not enough to harm the crop. Fruited with me last under very unfavorable conditions, and produced a good crop. The originator claims that this variety will grow wild and bear a good crop of berries—a regular lazy man's berry. Fruit small to medium, of the splendid Warfield type.

WONDER.—This is a new one, purchased from Mr. Crawford last spring, and as it has not fruited here, I will give his description: "This is truly a wonderful berry, and its merits are just coming to be appreciated. It makes immense plants with broad leaves and strong, stalky stems. It is perfectly healthy and very prolific, and the fruit is of great size and beauty, fine red color, good quality and moderate firmness. In form it is pointed, conical, and uniform, except that the first berry on the stem is sometimes misshaped. It has been classed as late because it makes a long season, but on our grounds it begins to ripen with William Belt, and we see no other way but to call it medium."

WOLVERTON.—Originated in Canada and introduced by the late John Little. I have fruited this variety quite a number of years. It will succeed on almost any soil, but will do better on a sandy loam. The plants make a good growth, have a perfect blossom, which is full of pollen, and make an excellent variety to plant with medium early to late pistillate varieties. It is no uncommon thing to see blossoms and ripe fruit at the same time.

MY MAN.

Burlington Co., N. J., April 17, 1907.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—I received the strawberry plants you sent me on Saturday evening, April 6, took cover off crate and placed in cellar; unpacked them on Wednesday and set them out. They were in fine condition and carefully packed. They are doing well. I am much pleased with them, and when I want more "you are my man."

Respectfully,

C. W. McCABE.

 WELL PLEASED, WILL PLACE ANOTHER ORDER WITH YOU.

 Mr. W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: Our order of strawberry plants was received from you some two weeks ago, and have been set out, and are doing nicely, scarcely any of those set out having died. They stood the journey well and were in first class condition, with the exception of the Climax, which were not so bright as the others, but in fair condition to plant. We are pleased with the plants, and if they continue as started we shall probably place another order with you next season. Very truly,
 ROCKINGHAM CO., N. Y., May 20, 1907.
 BURLING & GOODSON.

SAMPLE.—Several times I have been unable to supply the demands for this popular variety. Last year I had a very large stock and thought no doubt I would be able to fill every order and have some left, but a few of the very late orders could not be filled. We always have a sale for this popular variety. The Sample seems to be giving satisfaction all over the country; the best test is its popularity. We get more and more orders every year, and if it were not a good one this would not be the case. It is one of the best for the experienced growers and a safe one for the inexperienced. It has been termed by some as a mortgage-lifter; at any rate it is too good to be omitted by large or small growers. It has an extra large bloom for a pistillate, being so hardy that it is seldom damaged by frost. The berries are large, bright red, and have a smooth, glossy appearance. The Sample is not only one of the most beautiful late berries, but it is also one of the largest and most prolific; the berries lie in piles along the rows, and are so uniform that it is seldom necessary to sort them, even by those who practice doing so. It is very seldom that we see a berry ripen so evenly as does the Sample. It is an excellent shipper, a good canner, and delicious for all table purposes. This is why it is so popular with the commercial grower.

SAUNDERS.—Years ago I grew many acres of this for fruit and considered it one of my best. It is a strong staminate variety and one of the best to plant with pistillates. The fruit is large and a deep, glossy red. If planted on light soils it yields good crops and for several years it was my favorite market berry. We have a good stock, and it is a safe variety to plant by the inexperienced.

SOUTHERN BEAUTY.—I have not fruited this. I note that it makes very healthy, strong plants, and not very many of them.

SPLENDID.—Is very productive, of uniform medium size. It should not be allowed to get too thick on the row, as it will surely do if not kept thin. It has a staminate blossom and is one of the best to pollinize such pistillate varieties as Warfield, Crescent and others of that type. The berry is well named, and under favorable conditions it is certainly **SPLENDID**.

WE SELL PLANTS, BUT YOURS ARE BETTER THAN OURS.

Sacramento Co., Cal., March 31, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: We received the 91 varieties of strawberries about a week ago, and they arrived in fine condition. One would think they were freshly dug, instead of coming nearly 3,000 miles. We must say they are superior to any plants that we have ever seen. They have the longest roots we have ever seen on strawberry plants, and more of them. We grow plants for sale, but we must say that your plants are superior to ours. The packing was perfect, as the plants were not wilted or damaged in the least. Experimenting with these many varieties will be of great interest to us. Thanking you for your kind treatment, we are,
 Yours very truly, TRIBBLE BROS.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU.

Clermont Co., Ohio, April 22, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I received the plants O. K., and I want to say I never set out better strawberry plants than they were. You shall have my orders and influence in the future. Thanking you very kindly, I remain,
 Yours respectfully, E. R. LEWIS.

SENATOR DUNLAP.

"I SHOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO ACCEPT YOUR INVITATION, WERE IT POSSIBLE."

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I received the berry plants all O. K. They were in fine condition. I pronounced them extra fine. I sent to two years ago for plants. When they came there was not a plant in them that I ord red, no roots, and the crowns all rotted out. Many thanks for such fine plants as Cheappeak. I am an old man, 67 years old, but can do a good day's work yet. So I am going to hoe the plants, and next year you come over and eat dinner with me, and see the biggest berries you ever saw. Wishing you good health and success in your business, I remain
Yours truly,
A. J. GROVES

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SENATOR DUNLAP.—I have fruited this variety now for seven or eight years, and find it one of the best standard sorts. It was introduced by Mr. J. R. Reasoner, who says: "I have shipped plants from the Pacific to the Atlantic, in Mexico and Germany, and it looks as though it has commenced its journey around the world. The Dunlap is one of those healthy plants which, if given half a chance, will look out for itself anywhere you plant it. It is one of those varieties that a beginner may depend on. The berry resembles the Warfield in shape and color, and ripens about the same time; in fact, it is taking the place of Warfield with the largest growers for various reasons. It has a perfect blossom and is a better berry, better able to resist drought and less liable to be injured by continued rainy weather during the picking season, and with me it averages quite a little larger than the Warfield in size. The foliage is tall, dark green, upright, with a long leaf, and has more than the ordinary power of developing a heavy crown system. It has an extra long flowering season; the bloom is handsome and exceedingly rich with pollen, which makes it very valuable to plant with such pistillate kinds as ripen in its season. Another redeeming feature is its long roots, which go down to the subsoil for moisture. A severe drought seems to have less effect upon this berry than on many otherwise valuable varieties. It is really difficult to describe all of its good points. The fruit is dark red with a glossy finish, shading to a deep scarlet on the under side, with prominent yellow seed that look like gold embedded in highly-colored wax. The meat is bright red all through and is exceedingly juicy. The past season I fruited quite a plot that bore a wonderful crop of berries. I do not know how many quarts to the acre—I wish I did. It seems, however, that they were not satisfied with bearing an immense crop in the spring, but along in August and September this same patch would pick a quart of ripe berries at a time to every 40 or 50 feet of a row, and a second crop of over 400

quarts was gathered on little more than an acre. I had letters from parties wanting to buy plants, thinking it was an ever-bearing or fall-bearing variety. While it has a decided inclination this way, we do not claim that it would do this every year, and, in fact, I am quite sure it would not, as the season has a great deal to do with this.

WELL PLEASED.

Multnomah Co., Ore., April 23, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: The 1,500 strawberry plants sent by you were received in excellent shape, and I am very well pleased with them.

Yours sincerely, SAML. M. BOICE.

GOOD PLANTS, GOOD PACKING, GOOD COUNT.

Roanoke Co., Va., May 1, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I received plants all right, and I want to thank you for good count, good plants and good packing. I have them all set out and am well pleased. You may expect my future orders for plants. I remain,

Yours respectfully, NOAH KEITH.

COULD NOT HAVE BEEN BETTER.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I will let you know that I received the plants that you sent me in good condition. They could not be better. Thanking you for your prompt shipment,

Yours respectfully, HENRY J. HESS.

ALLEN'S PLANTS O. K.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: Your plants are O. K. People generally getting out of the habit of planting inferior plants.

Yours truly,
D. D. FISHER.

WM. BELT.—Wm. Belt is a standard for quality the country over. There are few lovers of strawberries that would not cross a plot of many varieties and pick out the Wm. Belt as the best. This variety is somewhat subject to rust, and for this reason for a time was not popular, but its superior quality and large size has made many friends for it, especially the amateur growers, who have an appreciative fancy market, or for the home table. The demand for this variety was so great two years ago that I sold every plant and bought out seven other growers to get plants enough to fill all my orders. I have been on the lookout ever since, and now have a large stock of nice plants. I know of nothing that will approach it in quality, of its season, except the Chesapeake.

SHARPLESS.—A great favorite with many people for the family garden. It is also a favorite in many local markets. It is too well known to need any lengthy description, but I wish to say for the benefit of those who have been disappointed in getting these for the last two or three years, that I now have an excellent stock, and shall be pleased to serve you.

TENNESSEE PROLIFIC.—Too well known to need any general description. It is a reliable standard variety; has perfect blossom; plant growth similar to Haverland, and a very heavy cropper. One of the best to plant with medium to late pistillate varieties.

STEVENS' LATE CHAMPION.—A very promising late variety of Gandy type, but is claimed to be more productive. I have not fruited this variety yet for various reasons. I expected to have done so in 1906, but a late frost killed this and almost everything else. A few berries that escaped were very satisfactory. The past season the demand for plants left me without any whatever to fruit, and I have not yet been able to fruit the Stevens' Late Champion. I heard so many great things about this berry at the New Jersey State Horticultural Society that I planted much more of it than I would otherwise have done. It is said to yield large crops of large, beautiful berries that ship well late in the season after most of the other varieties have ripened and gone. It is evidently a descendant of the grand old Gandy, but is a much better grower and will thrive better on a greater variety of soils. Last year we only had a moderate supply of plants, but this year I have an exceptionally fine stock, and will be in a position to handle all orders, large or small. I have just returned from a trip in Connecticut, and I find a great many of this variety growing, and it seems to be giving general satisfaction. It is one of the finest growers we have, and I find that it is a safe berry to plant for local market; do not advise it where it has to be shipped long distances.

GOOD PLANTS MAKE WARM FRIENDS.

Office of Postal Telegraph Cable Co.,
J. O. Stevens, Secretary,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Allen: I was delighted to receive your catalogue for 1907, and feel that I would like to send you a \$10,000 order, but as conditions forbid, I enclose a small substitute, anticipating much pleasure in the receipt of the plants desired. With many thanks for all past favors,
Sincerely yours, J. O. STEVENS.

A Few Final Words That We May Understand Each Other Better.

In describing so many varieties of strawberries, it is a very hard proposition to do so without there being a great deal of sameness about it. I know on this account that the descriptions in catalogues are severely criticized, and often, no doubt, justly so. But as a rule I believe that catalogue descriptions are intended to be truthful and honest, and I have often thought I would like to see a catalogue describing a hundred or more varieties of strawberries, for instance, written by any one of a great majority of those who are so free to criticize others. I doubt if any one can give the accurate description of a hundred varieties of strawberries all from his personal observation. Of the few persons who have the opportunity to see a large number of varieties in fruit, it would be difficult to find one who has the ability and the confidence of the public that could take the time just at that season of the year to take notes on a large list of varieties, as it takes considerable time, and to catch all the varieties at the same stage of maturity they would have to be gone over several times. I know with myself it would be almost impossible. To illustrate: The past season, after serving several thousand customers with strawberry plants, orders ranging from a few dozen to several hundred thousand, all of which has my personal superintendence, I shipped to Northern markets 75,000 quarts of strawberries, 25,000 quarts of dewberries, 4,100 half-barrels cucumbers, 1,700 six-gallon crates of peaches, 35 carloads of cantaloupes, 34 carloads of watermelons. The work of superintending the growing, picking, packing and marketing of virtually a hundred carloads of perishable produce is no small task. Yet it has been done satisfactorily and profitably the past season, and more will be undertaken next year. I have just completed housing over 2,000 bushels sweet potatoes, and I am now, at this writing (November 18) busily engaged in planting strawberry plants. Every day this winter when the ground is not frozen we will be setting strawberry plants, until 100 acres are planted, the product of a greater part of which will be required to fill my plant orders in the spring of 1909. Why do I plant in the fall and winter? So that I can get it done and out of the way, in order that I may give my undivided attention to filling orders for strawberry plants during March and April.

Now, to go back to the question of descriptions, I write from observation of the different varieties as I have found them during the busy season, from daily contact in handling and marketing. On those varieties which I have not fruited, or have not seen enough of to justify an opinion, I quote the descriptions of the best authority I can get. I do not want you to think for a moment that I guarantee these descriptions either those I give myself or those I quote, to always fit the varieties as you will find them. Why? Because a change of location or change of soil makes so much difference in strawberries that to do so would be impossible. The descriptions are given to help you all we can to select what would be best for you. The information given is the best I can get from my own observation and that of others with experience, and is the same that de-

termines my own operations. The kind that is best with me may not be of much value to you, and your favorite may be worthless to me. Thus you find some champion of almost every variety. Consequently, in reading descriptions, Mr. A. will say that Climax is the best, Mr. B. will say that Klondyke is the best, and Mr. C. will be very emphatic in his opinion that some other kind is best. Each one is honest in his belief, but while almost every variety is best with some one, no variety is best with every one. This is why we carry such a long list. I want to especially urge all progressive growers to test for themselves a number of varieties every year. Set apart a row or two in your patch every year for this purpose and plant 12 or 25 each of several kinds that you have not already fruited. You will find it very interesting, and you may find something that just suits you for larger planting.

Several collections have been arranged for those who wish to do some experimenting on their own account, and I venture to say that no one who does so will ever regret it.

Now, friends, I have tried to be candid and honest with you, and if you approve of my course I should appreciate very much to do business with you. Those who have been dealing with me know what kind of plants I send out, and I am vain enough to believe they will continue to patronize me. To those who have not dealt with me I want to ask, Won't you try me once? If my plants are not as satisfactory in every way as any you ever got elsewhere, I shall not expect you to continue to buy from me, but I believe if you will let me fill one order for you, in nine cases out of ten I will get the second, the third, and so on. Try it and see if we are not mutually benefited.

With many thanks to those who have given me such liberal patronage in the past, and assuring them that I shall ever strive to merit a continuance of their patronage and good will, I remain,

Yours very truly,

W. F. ALLEN.

November 17, 1907.

MARYLAND STATE NORTHERN DEPARTMENT DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY AND VEGETABLE PATHOLOGY. BARTLAND AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE AND EXPERIMENT STATION.		E. W. SILVESTER, FOREST AND AGRICULTURAL GRASSES JOHN T. S. STODOL, WARD ENTOMOLOGIST FRANK A. S. RORTON, STATE PATHOLOGIST

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION.		
No 25-		
To Whom It May Concern:		
THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 27 day of August 1907, we examined the Nursery Stock of <u>W. F. Allen</u> growing in <u>his</u> nurseries at <u>Salisbury</u> County of <u>Wicomico</u> , State of Maryland, in accordance with the laws of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 389, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection, from the San-Jose Scale, Peach Yellow, Pear Blight and other dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases.		
This certificate is invalid after August 27, 1908, and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.		
Collaps Park, Md. Nov. 9, 1907.		E. W. Silvester, State Entomologist. John T. S. Stodol, State Pathologist.

Price List of Strawberry Plants.

Described on page	Name of Variety.	By Mail, Postpaid			By Express, Purchaser to Pay Transportation Charges				
		12	50	100	25	100	500	1000	5000
8	Per. Abington	\$0.25	\$0.60	\$1.00	\$0.25	\$0.75	\$2.00	\$3.50	\$15.00
8	Per. Advance	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
8	Per. August Luther....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	.....
8	Per. Arnout's	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
8	Per. Armstrong	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
9	Per. Ariz. Everbearing.	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	20.00
9	Per. Aroma	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	.....
9	Per. Bedar Wood.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
9	Per. Bismarck	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
9	Imp. Boston Prize.....	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	.....
9	Per. Brunette	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	.....
9	Imp. Bubach	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
21	Imp. Buster	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
9	Per. Brandywine	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
4	Per. Bradley	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	.....	.....	.....
2	Per. Chesapeake	.30	.80	1.50	.50	1.25	4.00	7.50	30.00
3	Imp. Cardinal	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
10	Per. Chellie	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
10	Imp. Colossus	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	.....
11	Per. Climax	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
11	Imp. Cobden Queen....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
13	Per. Clyde	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
13	Per. Commonwealth ...	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
10	Per. Commander	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
10	Per. Crozier	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
	Imp. Crescent	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
4	Per. Chipman	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	20.00
4	Per. Dicky	.75	2.00	3.25	1.00	3.00	13.00	25.00	.....
10	Imp. Dixie Belle.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
12	Per. Early Hathaway..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
11	Per. Echo	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
9	Imp. Elma	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	.....	.....	.....
9	Per. Enhance	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
12	Per. Excelsior	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
11	Per. Florella	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
11	Per. Fairfield	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
4	Per. Fremont Williams.	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	.....
14	Per. Gandy	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
5	Per. Good Luck.....	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
14	Per. Glen Mary.....	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
14	Imp. General De Wet...	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	.....
14	Per. Gen. Joe Wheeler..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
4	Imp. Governor Rollins..	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	4.00	8.00	.....
16	Imp. Greenville	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
4	Per. Gill	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	4.00	8.00	.....
4	Per. Goldsboro	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	.....	.....
5	Per. Golden Gate.....	1.00	2.75	5.00	1.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....
5	Per. Great Scott.....	1.00	2.75	5.00	1.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....
15	Imp. Haverland	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
15	Per. Heflin's Early....	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	.....	.....	.....
15	Per. Hoffman	.40	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
15	Per. Howard	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
15	Per. Hummer	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
6	Imp. Helen Gould.....	1.00	.....	.....	1.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	Per. Jessie	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
12	Per. Johnson's Early...	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
12	Imp. Kansas	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
16	Per. Klondyke	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
17	Per. Lady Thomson....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
16	Per. Livingston	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
6	Imp. Mammoth Beauty.	.30	.80	1.50	.50	1.25	4.00	8.00	.....
17	Per. Marshall	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	20.00
16	Per. May King.....	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
18	Per. Meade	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
18	Per. Mitchell's Early...	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
18	Per. Mrs. Miller	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	.....
18	Per. Morning Star.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
19	Per. New Home.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
17	Per. New York	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
18	Per. Nick Ohmer.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
17	Per. New Globe	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00

10	Imp. Nettie	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	.....
17	Per. North Shore	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
20	Per. Oak's Early	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
19	Per. Oom Paul	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
6	Per. Oswego	.50	1.25	2.25	.75	2.00	8.00	15.00	.....
19	Imp. President	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
19	Per. Parson's Beauty	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
19	Per. Pennell	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Pride of Cumb'land	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Prof. Fisher	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	.....
7	Per. Pocahontas	1.00	2.75	5.00	1.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....
6	Per. Penna. Dutchman	1.00	2.75	5.00	1.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....
20	Per. Ridgeway	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
7	Per. Red Bird	.30	.75	1.25	.25	.75	.....	.....	.....
20	Per. Reliance	.25	.60	1.00	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	20.00
22	Imp. Sample	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
22	Per. Saunders	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
23	Per. Senator Dunlap	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
24	Per. Sharpless	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
22	Per. Splendid	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
24	Per. Stevens' L. Champ.	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
22	Imp. Southern Beauty	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	.....
7	Per. St. Louis	.50	1.25	2.25	.75	2.00	.....	.....	.....
7	Per. Shipping King	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.90	8.00	.....
7	Per. Saratoga	.60	1.75	3.25	1.00	3.00	.....	.....	.....
24	Per. Tennessee Prolific	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Texas	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Thompson's No. 2.	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Uncle Jim	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
8	Imp. Virginia	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
21	Per. Victor	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
21	Per. Vick's Uncle Joe	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
21	Per. Velvet	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
21	Imp. Warfield	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
21	Per. Wild Wonder	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	.....	.....
21	Per. Wonder	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	4.00	8.00	.....
21	Per. Wolverton	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
24	William Belt	.25	.60	1.00	.25	.75	2.00	3.50	15.00
7	Per. Three W's	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.75	5.00	.....

Canadian customers, when wanting plants sent by mail, must add 5 cents per dozen, 13 cents per 50, and 25 cents per 100, to prepaid rate, as we have to pay double postage to your country.

Plant Collections.

Collection "A"—All early kinds, 12 Virginia, 12 May King, 12 Oak's Early, 12 Red Bird, 12 Climax, 12 Early Hathaway, 12 Klondyke, 12 Fairfield, all for \$1.50.

Collection "B"—All midseason varieties, and a dandy lot, 12 Hummer, 12 Glen Mary, 12 Cardinal, 12 Haverland, 12 Meade, 12 Oom Paul, 12 President, 12 Good Luck, all for \$1.50.

Collection "C"—All late kinds, 12 Chesapeake (the best in the world), 12 Wm. Belt, 12 Gandy, 12 Stevens' Late Champion, 12 North Shore, \$1.00.

Collection "D"—Early to late varieties; 12 Virginia, 12 Climax, 12 Saunders, 12 Wm. Belt, 12 Chesapeake, 12 New York, 12 President, 12 Good Luck, all for \$1.50.

Collection "E"—Best quality for home table, early to late; 12 Mitchell's Early, 12 May King, 12 Brunette, 12 Marshall, 12 President, 12 Chesapeake, 12 Wm. Belt, all for \$1.50.

Collection "F"—New varieties, recommended for trial; 12 Chesapeake, 12 Good Luck, 12 Three W's, 12 Dicky, 12 Fremont Williams, 12 Golden Gate, 12 Great Scott, 12 Pocahontas, 12 Penna. Dutchman, 12 Oswego, 12 Saratoga, 12 St. Louis (\$7.40 value), all for \$6.00, by mail, postpaid.

EXPRESS COLLECTIONS. RECEIVER TO PAY CHARGES.

Collection "G"—A good collection; 25 Senator Dunlap, 25 Klondyke, 25 Saunders, 25 New York, 25 President, 25 Wm. Belt, all for \$1.00.

Collection "H"—Another dandy collection; 50

Climax, 50 Cobden Queen, 50 Buster, 50 Good Luck, 50 Stevens' Late Champion, all for \$1.00.

Collection "I"—All early varieties; 50 Klondyke, 50 Virginia, 50 Senator Dunlap, 50 Climax, 50 Fairfield, for \$1.00.

Collection "J"—All late varieties; 50 Chesapeake, 50 Stevens' Late Champion, 50 North Shore, 50 Commonwealth, 50 Gandy, 50 Wm. Belt, for \$1.50.

Collection "K"—Early, medium and late varieties (a choice collection for the home garden); 50 Virginia, 50 Climax, 50 New York, 50 President, 50 Stevens' Late Champion, 50 Chesapeake, 50 Marshall, all for \$2.00.

Collection "L"—Enough for one-half acre, planted 18 inches in rows, 3½ feet apart, selected for home use or near market; 1,000 Fairfield, 1,000 Senator Dunlap, 1,000 Howard, 1,000 Stevens' Late Champion, for \$10.00.

Collection "M"—Enough for one-half acre, planted 18 inches apart in rows 3½ feet apart (good shipping varieties); 1,000 Klondyke, 1,000 Climax, 1,000 Chellie, 1,000 Gandy, for \$10.00.

Collection "N"—Enough for one acre, planted 18 inches apart in rows 3½ feet apart; early to late; selected for home use or near market; 1,000 Mitchell's Early, 1,000 Fairfield, 1,000 Senator Dunlap, 1,000 President, 1,000 Parsons' Beauty, 1,000 Stevens' Late Champion, 1,000 Wm. Belt, 1,000 Good Luck, all for \$20.00.

Collection "O"—Enough for one acre, planted 18 inches apart in rows 3½ feet apart; early to late, good shipping varieties; 1,000 Excelsior,

1,000 Virginia, 1,000 Klondyke, 1,000 Haverland, 1,000 Sample, 1,000 Saunders, 1,000 Gandy, 1,000 Good Luck (fruit Virginia with Klondyke, fruit Sample and Haverland with Saunders); splendid value, for only \$20.00.

Collection "P"—New varieties, recommended for trial; 25 Bradley, 25 Colossus, 25 Chipman, 25 Dicky, 25 Fremont Williams, 25 Governor Rollins, 25 Gill, 25 Goldsboro, 25 Golden Gate, 25 Great Scott, 25 Oswego, 25 Pocahontas, 25 Penna. Dutchman, 25 St. Louis, 25 Shipping King, 25 Saratoga, 25 Wonder, 25 Three W's, 25 Mammoth Beauty, 25 Red Bird (catalogue value, \$15.20), all for \$12.00.

Collection "Q"—Some of my favorites; try them; 25 Abington, 25 Buster, 25 Brandywine, 25 Chesapeake, 25 Cardinal, 25 Chellie, 25 Climax,

25 Fairfield, 25 Fremont Williams, 25 Gandy, 25 Good Luck, 25 Glen Mary, 25 Haverland, 25 Howard, 25 Hummer, 25 Klondyke, 25 Marshall, 25 Meade, 25 New Home, 25 New York, 25 Oom Paul, 25 President, 25 Red Bird, 25 Sample, 25 Saunders, 25 Senator Dunlap, 25 Stevens' Late Champion; 25 Uncle Jim, 25 Virginia, 25 Wm. Belt; thirty varieties and an excellent list, all for \$6.50.

Collection "R"—Try them all; I will send you 12 plants each of the 110 varieties of strawberry plants listed in this catalogue for \$20.00; lots of fun and profit in watching a trial bed like this; try it.

Collection "S"—Experiment station special; 25 plants each of the 110 varieties of strawberry plants listed in this catalogue for \$32.00.

DEWBERRIES.

The Dewberry is constantly growing in favor and is today, next to the strawberry, the most popular of all the small fruits. The vines trail on the ground like a sweet potato vine. In size and quality it is the equal of any blackberry, and greatly exceeds them in productiveness. The plant is perfectly hardy and commences

ripening its fruit immediately after late strawberries. Indeed, by planting the latest varieties of strawberries and earliest dewberries, there need not be a single day's gap between the two. The dewberry is sweet and luscious, with few seeds and no hard core. The fruit has become very popular in all markets where known, and more and more are being grown every year and nearly always marketed at paying prices. It let trail on the ground they should be well mulched to keep the immense load of fruit from being spoiled by falling on the ground. The best way, however, is to stake them as shown in our illustration. Our plan of cultivation is to plant in rows each way, two and one-half feet one way by five feet the other, making about 3,500 plants per acre. Cultivate both ways till plants get long and troublesome, and then cultivate only the wide way and turn vines to keep the cultivator from tearing them off; or, better yet, use sweeps on your cultivator. These will run under the vines and weed up the grass without disturbing them. Leave vines lay on the ground till all danger of winter killing is over, and then early in the spring, before buds put out, stakes should be driven between each alternate hill the two-and-one-half-foot way. The stakes should be two and one-half or three feet above the ground and one hill from each way tied to the top of the stake. Or where timber for stakes is scarce they can be used at longer intervals by using wire to lay the vines over, same as grapes. I use binder twine for tying to stakes. When grown as above directed the plot or field in bloom is prettier than you can imagine, and when fruit comes it is the wonder, admiration and delight of all who see it.

LUCRETIA.—The standard dewberry, earlier than the earliest blackberry and as large as the largest of them. The canes are of great hardiness and exceedingly prolific, thriving everywhere; of slender trailing habits, and entirely free from disease and insect attacks. The fruit is superb, large and handsome, jet black, rich and melting, and ships and keeps well. I grow the Lucretia largely for market, having as many as 50 acres in fruit at one time.

THAT'S MY MOTTO.

Chester Co., Pa., May 9, 1907.
W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I acknowledge my mistake, and thank you for your evident desire to do the right thing by your customers.
Yours truly,
FREDERIC CAREY.

"PREMO" DEWBERRY.

AUSTIN'S IMPROVED (MAYES) DEWBERRY.

AUSTIN'S IMPROVED.—(Mayes.)—An early dewberry of excellent quality and large yield, but the berries lack firmness for long shipment, hence valuable chiefly for home use and local markets. Berries large, short and thick, canes vigorous, hardy and productive; ripens fully a week earlier than Lucretia, and for this reason is valuable to grow in connection with that variety. I have shipped many thousands of quarts of this variety to Philadelphia, 125 miles, and New York, over 200 miles, and received good prices, having marketed over one half of the crop before other varieties are in the way. I always plant about one-third of my field in this variety. It is very hardy and never fails to give a full crop.

PREMO.—This remarkable dewberry is a sport from the grand old Lucretia. The great profitableness of the Lucretia with many growers has been because it was the earliest of the blackberry family to ripen. Now we have Premo, still earlier and larger; that means extra money in the market and an earlier taste of delicious dewberries for the family. Premo has imperfect flowers, and so in planting every third or fourth row should be of Lucretia; or, better yet, where one is equally fond of both varieties, they can be planted in alternate rows. Remember that Premo is a delicious, great blackberry, that begins to ripen when the raspberry season is half over.

DEWBERRY PLANTS.

	By Mail, Postpaid			By Express or Freight, Charges Not Paid			
	12	50	100	25	100	500	1000
Austin's or Mayes.....	\$0.40	\$0.75	\$1.50	\$0.30	\$1.00	\$3.00	\$6.00
Lucretia	.40	.75	1.50	.30	1.00	3.00	6.00
Premo	.40	.75	1.50	.30	1.00	3.00	6.00
Chestnut	.60	1.30	2.50	.60	2.00	....	....

Dewberry plants this season are unusually scarce, which has compelled me to make a slight advance in the price of plants. By comparison, however, you will even now find my prices considerably lower than most growers, and it is exceedingly doubtful if I shall be

able to fill late orders. Plants will be ready to ship any time after you get this catalogue, and I strongly urge that you get in your orders early. Dewberries start to grow very early, and the sooner you get them planted the better your chances of success.

BLACKBERRIES.

ANCIENT BRITAIN.—A vigorous, healthy and productive variety; berries good size and fine quality.

ELDORADO.—Especially valuable for its fine quality and hardiness; berries good size, jet black, sweet and melting; its canes are strong, hardy and productive.

ICEBERG.—The best white blackberry yet introduced. The berries are very attractive when fully ripe, pure white, and so transparent that you can plainly see the seeds. A great curiosity. These white berries mingled with black ones present a very beautiful appearance on the dish.

KENOYER.—Said to be the earliest of blackberries, and remarkable in its ability to resist drouth, heat and cold. It originated in Kansas, a section where the conditions are so destructive to blackberries that but few varieties survive. It is believed to be a cross between the Early Harvest and Kittatiny. Its valuable properties may be summarized as follows: "Earliest of all blackberries, ripens several days in advance of Early Harvest, of excellent

quality and good size, much larger than the Early Harvest; in color is a rich, glossy black, and has small seeds; clings well to the stem, and is very productive, hardy and free from disease." It is claimed to be so drouth-resisting that it will mature its crop perfect when others become shriveled and dried on the canes; canes stalky with but few short thorns. I have a few hundred extra nice plants of these.

MERCERIAN.—Large size, luscious flavor and very hardy. The berries are sparkling black, and, what adds greatly to their market value, they remain black after being gathered. The canes are exceedingly strong and upright in habit of growth; foliage large, abundant and entirely free from rust. Season early to midseason.

LAWTON.—An old favorite, esteemed for its productiveness and large size. It is of stalky and erect growth and free from rust. The berries are large and delicious when full ripe, but turn black before full ripe, and are then hard and sour. It succeeds over a wide range of country and is one of the best standard sorts. Midseason to late.

WARD.—This is doubtless a seedling of Kittatiny, which it closely resembles. It is vigorous, hardy and free from rust. It was found growing wild in Monmouth county, N. J. Its fine fruit, strong canes, clean, healthy foliage, loaded with enormous crops of large berries, soon attracted attention. It has now been fruited for several years, bearing large crops annually of handsome berries. Very highly recommended at a recent meeting of the New Jersey State Horticultural Society. It is doubtless a variety of great merit.

BLACKBERRY PLANTS.

	By Mail, Postpaid			By Express or Freight, Charges Not Paid			
	12	50	100	25	100	500	1000
Ancient Britain	\$0.60	\$1.25	\$2.25	\$0.60	\$1.50	\$6.50	\$12.00
Eldorado	.60	1.25	2.25	.60	1.50	.....	.....
Iceberg (white)	.75	1.75	3.00	1.00	2.50	.....	.....
Kenoyer	.60	1.25	2.25	.60	1.50	.....	.....
Mercereau	.60	1.25	2.25	.60	1.50	.....	.....
Lawton	.60	1.25	2.25	.60	1.50	.....	.....
Ward	.60	1.25	2.25	.60	1.50	6.50	12.00

CURRENTS.

Choose a moist, rich soil for currants. Plant four by five feet apart. Keep free from weeds and grass by cultivation and mulching. Use plenty of manure and trim out superfluous wood by cutting back the new growth two-thirds each year. Sprinkle ashes around the roots occasionally to keep out borers. If currant worm appears, dust with hellebore. I am offering three varieties only, which I consider as good as can be had. They are three good, reliable varieties that will thrive and produce well anywhere that any variety will grow.

RED CROSS.—The *Rural New Yorker* says: Red Cross is the best of all, old or new, currants for midseason. It is large and productive. The masses of fruit almost completely cover the bearing canes. It is undoubtedly one of the best currants, if not the very best, on the market."

CHERRY.—Strong grower, fruit very large, sometimes measuring one-half inch in diameter. This is a most excellent red variety.

WHITE GRAPES.—This is the largest and most productive white currant. Flavor sweet, and very fine for the table.

I will send any of the three above named varieties by express, receiver to pay charges, at \$1.00 per dozen; \$3.50 per 50; \$6.00 per 100.

GOOSEBERRIES.

RED JACKET GOOSEBERRY.

Downing Gooseberry.

NATURAL SIZE

Plant same as currants, in good, rich soil, give liberal dressing of manure every season; regular pruning every year is essential for fine fruit. To prevent mildew, spray as soon as leaves appear, and occasionally through the summer, with potassium sulphur, one ounce to four gallons of water. All gooseberries quoted by express or freight, receiver to pay charges.

HOUGHTON.—A very productive berry of medium size, and for general purposes one of the best. I never saw this variety fail to produce at least a partial crop. \$1.00 per dozen, \$3.50 per 50; \$6.00 per 100.

RED JACKET.—An American seedling of large size, smooth, prolific and hardy, quality among the best. This variety is well tested over a wide range of territory, and has proven very satisfactory. It is a heavy cropper, has bright, clean, healthy foliage. Good, well-rooted plants, \$1.00 per doz.; \$3.75 per 50; \$7.00 per 100.

DOWNING.—One of the oldest and best; large, handsome, pale green and splendid quality; fine for both cooking and table use; vigorous grower and usually free from mildew. \$1.25 per doz.; \$4.00 per 50; \$7.00 per 100.

THE FINEST HE EVER BOUGHT.

Monroe Co., Mich., May 9, 1907.
W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I drop you a card to let you know that I received my plants May 4. They came in fine shape, and I am more than pleased with them. I think they are about the finest lot of plants that I ever bought. Many thanks for the little book you sent.
Respectfully,
CHAS. SMITH.

GRAPES.

BRIGHTON.—A large bunch and berry, red, resembles Catawba; very fine free grower and productive.

DELAWARE.—A small red berry, compact bunches, very delicious; always brings the highest price in market, and always considered the best for home use. It has no superior in quality.

LINDLEY.—This is a fine red variety, very productive, especially recommended for home garden.

VERGENNES.—This is a very popular dark red variety and one that should be in every garden.

NIAGARA.—Large, compact, greenish white, thin skin, very vigorous and hardy, fruit sweet and good.

DIAMOND.—Bunch and berry large, compact, greenish white, very juicy and fine quality.

POCKLINGTON.—This is a white variety, with large shouldered, compact bunches; ripens a week later than Niagara.

ELVIRA.—This is a white variety, very productive, and fine quality.

CONCORD.—An early black variety that does well wherever planted. Good size, good quality, and very productive.

MOORE'S EARLY.—This is a large, black variety, ripening a week earlier than Concord; berries large, good quality, and very productive. This is especially valuable as an early variety.

WORDEN.—This is a valuable black variety, ripening before the Concord; berries large, of good quality, and thin skin. It is perhaps one of the most popular black grapes grown.

WILDER.—Bunch and berry large, black, tender, rich; one of the finest; as vigorous and productive as Concord.

PRICE.—The above is an especially good selection

NEWER VARIETIES OF GRAPES.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY.—This is claimed to be the finest grape that has been produced in a long time. It has a strong, hardy, vigorous growth, thin, heavy; healthful foliage; very early and abundant, ripening, making it especially valuable. The clusters are large and shouldered, moderately compact; color black. One strong, well-rooted plant, 15c.; \$1.50 per dozen, by express.

EATON.—Bunch and berry large, showy, black, thin skin, good quality, robust and productive; season early. 20c. each; \$1.75 per dozen, by express.

MCPIKE.—This is a new grape about which there has been a great deal written and said. It has been on exhibition in nearly every part of the country. Its great size, fine flavor and beauty always attract attention. It is a seedling of the Worden, and has many of the good qualities of both Worden and Concord; the berries are very large, sometimes as much as three inches in circumference; ripens evenly and keeps well; the vine is very strong and thrifty in growth, with large leathery leaves; color purplish black; ripens before Concord. Plants of this variety have been sold at fabulous prices. Only a few days ago an agent called at my office and wanted to sell me some plants at \$2 each. I told him no; that while it was a good variety, I would sell him all he wanted at \$2 per dozen. Our price, by express, is 25c. each; \$2 per dozen.

CONCORD GRAPE.

of old standard, reliable varieties that are sure to give an abundance of fruit, covering the entire season of grapes. I will send ONE GOOD, WELL-ROOTED PLANT OF EACH OF THE ABOVE TWELVE VARIETIES, BY EXPRESS, FOR ONE DOLLAR. Or, I will send a dozen of any that you select from the above list, all of one variety, or divided in several, as you prefer, for One Dollar; less than one dozen, 10 cents each. For larger quantities of any one or more varieties that you may wish, write for prices.

WYOMING RED.—A popular market sort, berry small, good quality, color red, very productive and hardy, somewhat resembling Delaware. Valuable for home use or market. Personally, I consider this one of the best grapes grown, next to Delaware in quality. I believe this will give satisfaction to every one who tries it. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen, by express.

GREEN MOUNTAIN.—This is an extra early variety from Vermont; thin skin, pulp tender and sweet, quality superb, bunch and berry medium size, very hardy, vigorous and productive. By express, 20c. each; \$2 per dozen.

CALIFORNIA OUTDONE.

San Bernardino Co., Cal., January 28, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: Plants received, set out and all growing, and expect big results from your Virginia, according to your description. I thought California was noted for the biggest of everything, lars included, but Maryland has the biggest dozens I ever saw. I sell thousands of plants, but never such dozens.

Yours truly, C. W. PATTERSON.

ASPARAGUS.

I have no asparagus plants to offer this season except about 40,000 BARR'S MAMMOTH, 4-YEAR-OLD, LARGE ROOTS. Barr's Mammoth is early, large, and when placed on the market its appearance makes a demand for it at good prices. This is considered one of the best standard varieties. These roots are grown in

very light loam. They are large, bright and solid; will run about 500 roots to the sugar barrel, and should go by freight only. Price per 100, \$1.00; per 1,000, \$6.00; 5,000 or over, at \$5.00 per 1,000.

The above is all the asparagus I have this season, and when it is gone I cannot supply any more.

CALIFORNIA PRIVET.

I have an excellent stock of 1-year California Privet, running about 15 to 20 inches; branched, strong, healthy and heavily rooted. Just the right size to

plant for best results. Makes beautiful ornamental hedge. Price, \$1.50 per 100; \$12.50 per 1,000 (no extra charge for packing.)

Seed Department.

I do not claim to carry a full line of seeds, but there are a great many kinds that I can handle to advantage, and in every case I shall offer these as low as is consistent with first quality.

NON-WARRANTY.—Most of the failures with seeds, plants and bulbs are due to causes entirely beyond our control, such as unfavorable weather or soil conditions, too deep or too shallow planting, etc., which renders it impossible for us to guarantee success, and although we take all possible pains to supply only such

goods as will, under proper conditions, produce satisfactory results, we still give no warranty as to description, quality or productiveness of any of the seeds, plants or bulbs we send out, and will not be in any way responsible for the crop, and every order for articles named in this catalogue will be executed on these conditions only. It must, however, be plain to every one who gives the matter the slightest thought that it is to our best interests to send out only such stock as will not only grow, but prove true to name and description.

BEETS.

I have a very fine stock of beet seed of the varieties offered, and those who can use 10 lbs. or more are invited to send me a list of just what they want, and I will make them very attractive special prices. Write me.

ECLIPSE.—This is one of the best known table beets. It is indeed high praise to say that the Eclipse beet is almost, or quite, as early as the Egyptian; that the latter has been long accepted as the earliest of all. The Eclipse has always been recognized as superior to the Egyptian in table value. The Eclipse is very smooth, with small top, fine grain, and tender, bright red in color. Many market gardeners have discarded Egyptian entirely in favor of the Eclipse. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 20c.; pound, 50c.

BLOOD TURNIP

BLOOD TURNIP, OR DETROIT DARK RED.—A splendid beet of deep red color, for home use or for market; one of the best for canning on account of its beautiful color; small upright tops and

perfectly smooth roots; flesh zoned with lighter and darker bands. Tender and sweet. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

EGYPTIAN (Crosby's).—A distinct improvement on the older form of the Egyptian beet, with a larger and more globular root. It is extremely early, is smoother, and has better color and quality than the original sort. In favor with market gardeners for earliest sales. I have a true strain. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

ALLEN'S IMPROVED LONG DARK RED.—This is the best long red turnip on the market, being of unexcelled quality for the table as well as to feed stock. It has yielded twelve tons to the acre. In color it is rich carmine, and in quality it is sweet and tender. In rich soil it may be sown with advantage in July or August as a second crop; it will no be injured by the October frosts, and will produce a great abundance of first-class beets for winter. No other beet can take its place. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

BASTIAN'S TURNIP.—Early, large, fine form, bright red color; profitable for market and the home garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

GIANT LONG RED MANGEL WORTZEL.—The best mangel for deep soil; size very large, wonderfully productive, and superior quality. Single specimens have been grown to weigh fifty pounds. As a stock food for winter feeding it is excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

GATEPOST MANGEL WORTZEL.—One of the finest of the yellow mangels. Specimens have been grown to weigh over thirty pounds, and it is claimed that as much as 2,500 bushels have been grown on one acre. Unequaled for dairy feeding, being nutritive and excellent for feeding to milch cows. Flesh rich, deep yellow at all times. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

BEANS.

I have a splendid stock of beans, and those in the market for five or more bushels will do well to send me a list of their wants for special consideration. You will be pleased with the results.

BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN PODS.—Ripens earlier than Valentine, and remains tender a long time after maturing. The pods are pale green, long, straight, perfectly round, meaty and positively stringless. This is an excellent variety that will give satisfaction every time. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

CURRIE'S RUST PROOF.—Pods long, flat and tender, and of the finest quality. It is very productive and one of the very best all-around beans. There has been very much attention given to the improvement of the old-fashioned bean, and this variety seems to be one of the best. It is absolutely rust-proof. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

EARLY MOHAWK.—This variety produces large, strong vines, which bear profusely. It is the hardest of the early varieties and is a well-known green-podded sort of established merit. It is very hardy and can be planted earlier than most other varieties. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$4.75.

EXTRA EARLY RED VALENTINE.—For snaps there is nothing superior to this variety among the green-podded sorts, and many prefer it to the wax varieties. Vine erect, with coarse, dark green leaves;

pods medium length, curved, cylindrical, with crease in back; very fleshy, crisp and tender; seed long, of medium size and unsymmetrical in shape; pink, marbled with red. Lack of symmetry in the seed of this variety is an indication of superior fleshiness and good quality in the pods. Many different strains of Valentine are offered under slightly varying names. Our stock is very fine, and I think equal to any that can be produced. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$4.75.

EXTRA EARLY REFUGEE.—This is a fine variety and is fast becoming one of the most popular round green-podded snaps for both spring and summer planting. It has all the qualities of the well-known Refugee, but is ready for the market ten days earlier. Very productive and sure to produce a crop, even in an unfavorable season. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$4.75.

WARDELL'S KIDNEY WAX BEANS.—A most prolific dwarf wax bean; one of the best and earliest and most hardy of the wax sorts; vines of medium size; pods long, flat and of a delicate waxy yellow, very brittle and entirely stringless. It is largely and profitably grown in the South for early shipment to the Northern markets. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX.—A light green yellow, quite brittle, with only slight strings when young; plants stiffly erect, bearing large crop of fine pods held well above the soil. The pods are rather flat, about four inches in length, and one-half inch broad. A very popular market variety. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, four qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

STRIPED CRESSBACK.—This is a novelty of real merit, with long yellow, stringless pods, fleshy and tender. Especially recommended for trial. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50.

DAVIS' KIDNEY WAX.—This is a business man's bean; one of the very best for market gardeners and canners. It is a wax-podded variety, almost wholly rust-proof, with kidney-shaped white seeds. It is handsome, prolific and profitable, and not excelled by any of the wax sorts. It is of strong growth, and holds its long, straight pods well above the soil. The pods are clear, waxy white color, and are more conspicuous than the foliage itself when the bush is in full bearing. It is used as a snap sort, and also as a

shelled bean. It is of extremely high table quality and is adapted to home use or market. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

BLACK VALENTINE.—This is a distinct form of the Valentine variety. It is very handsome in appearance and excellent in quality; one of the best green-podded sorts, and we especially recommend it for trial, believing that all who plant it once will want it again. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

LONGFELLOW.—This has long green pods, always solid, and is one of the most prolific green-podded sorts. The pods are of an attractive green color, perfectly straight and round, and it is a very desirable and profitable variety to grow, both for market gardeners and truckers. It yields more snaps to the acre than most other varieties, more uniform in ripening, and the pods fill the basket quicker. It is also a most desirable bean for private gardens, as it is tender and of excellent flavor when cooked. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.60; bus., \$5.25.

LIMA BEANS.

DREER'S BUSH LIMA BEAN, OR POTATO BEAN.—This is a great market bean. The gardeners around this section for several years have planted largely of this variety to ship green to the New York markets, and for the first crop they often receive as much as \$4.00 per half-barrel basket. This is a bean of rather peculiar shape, being thick and plump rather than flat and oval; it is a very meaty bean, of excellent flavor and high table quality; the vine has the Lima habit of growth, and it is very productive of pods, always well filled; when green they nearly equal the ordinary large Lima bean in size, but are thicker, sweeter and more tender; they remain green a long time after maturing; the beans are easily shelled, and are in wide favor. The pods are crammed so full that a basket of green pods will shell half the quantity of shelled beans. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.75; half bus., \$3.20; bus., \$6.00.

KING OF THE GARDEN POLE LIMA.—This is no longer a new bean, but one of the best for main crop, standard for market or family use, which nothing can displace from public favor. It has a vigorous growth and is immensely productive. The vines begin to produce pods near the foot of the pole, and the bearing season continues without interruption until frost. The pods are large and well filled; the beans are of mammoth size and very delicious. I have grown this strain in my garden for many years, and know of no other that will equal it. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

SHOTWELL'S POLE LIMA.—This new Lima is an improvement on the old, well-known Dreer's Pole Lima. Dreer's Pole Lima, as is well known, has a general characteristic of Dreer's Bunch Lima, with the exception that it is a pole variety and the pods and beans are somewhat larger. It is one of the best for either family use or market. You should give this new improvement on the old Dreer's Pole Lima a trial. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt., 60c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75.

HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA BEAN.—This is a small dwarf lima that gives you the first beans of the season. The quality is very good, though not the best; in productiveness I doubt if it has an equal; it commences to bear ten days ahead of any other variety that I know, and remains full until killed by frost. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.25.

ALLEN'S PLANTS LEAD IN QUALITY.

Hunterton Co., N. J., April 29, 1907.

W. F. Allen, Dear Sir: I received the strawberry plants all right, and they were fine. I divided my order—got half from you and half pedigree plants, but yours were twice as good, larger and stronger plants. I set them right away, and they are growing finely. I will send my next order to you. I remain yours,

MORGAN P. WORMAN.

CAULIFLOWER.

I OFFER ONLY THE BEST DANISH-GROWN SEED.

ALLEN'S DWARF FIRST EARLY.—The type of cauliflower most generally planted for market is Allen's Dwarf First Early, of which there have been developed a number of selections, showing increased earliness, dwarf short stem growth, with larger, finer heads, and sure heading tendency. We think our strain of this is undoubtedly the best. This seed was grown for me in Denmark, where all the finest, best cauliflower seed is produced. This strain has given splendid results wherever tried, and I can conscientiously recommend this as being the very best type to be had anywhere at any price. All my customers, whether they grow for the home table or for market purposes, are especially requested to give this cauliflower a trial. Packet, 15c.; quarter oz., 60c.; half oz., \$1.00; oz., \$1.75; quarter lb., \$6.00.

EARLY DWARF ERFURT.—This is really a first-class cauliflower, and next to my Dwarf First Early is the best and surest to head. It is a great leader in the market and largely grown by market gardeners everywhere. My seed are of the very finest type and all Danish grown. Pkt., 15c.; quarter oz., 50c.; half oz., 90c.; oz., \$1.65; quarter lb., \$5.75.

AUTUMN GIANT.—One of the finest late varieties; of robust habit, heads large, compact and thoroughly protected by the leaves. Pkt., 10 cts.; oz., 50c.; quarter lb., \$1.50.

CABBAGE.

MY CABBAGE SEED IS ALL BEST LONG ISLAND GROWN, EXCEPT DANISH BALL HEAD, WHICH IS GROWN IN DENMARK.

DANISH BALLHEAD (seed Danish grown).—This famous cabbage was first introduced from Denmark 22 years ago, and our seed of this variety are absolutely unsurpassed. It is highly esteemed for winter use because of the great solidity and excellent keeping qualities of the heads. It is an easy matter to grow this same cabbage in cool locations in this country. Large quantities of it have been imported for spring sales from Denmark, and it has proven to be most popular in our markets. From repeated trials, as well as from experience of many customers purchasing this variety, I am convinced that every one who plants it will be pleased with the outcome. The heads are more solid than those of any other variety grown, and will weigh about a quarter more than any other varieties of the same size. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

SUREHEAD.—This is a first-class main-crop variety, very uniform in size and color, strong, vigorous grower; for late use. Surehead is the proper name, as it never fails to make a remarkably fine, solid, large, round head. A very popular variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

EARLY DWARF DRUMHEAD.—A second early, large, round, solid-heading variety. This is one of the best, following Charleston, Wakefield, maturing about ten days later. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.—This is no doubt the best first early cabbage in cultivation; it forms fine, solid heads of good size, conical in shape, with very few outside leaves; the quality is of the best. We offer this as the earliest strain of standard variety. Our seed are grown only from selected heads; our strain is remarkably pure, warranted to give satisfaction. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

ALL SEASONS, OR VANDERGRAW.—As early as Drumhead cabbage, yielding heads of the largest size, very desirable for early spring, summer or fall use. I have been growing this cabbage for a number of years, and it has always been a favorite with me. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

LARGE CHARLESTON WAKEFIELD.—Selected stock, large, solid heads, of good quality, a few days later than Early Jersey Wakefield; especially recommended for market gardeners or for home garden; produces fully twice as much per acre as the early variety. The strain I offer is exceptionally pure and cannot fail to give satisfaction, as it combines all of the good qualities of an early, long-keeping sort, which is especially desirable for shipping. This variety is grown around Philadelphia and Charleston, S. C., and many other points, for long-distance shipment, and is practically the best large early sort on the market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

FOTLER'S BRUNSWICK.—Our true stock of this famous late variety is good for both intermediate and winter use; the heads are uniformly hard and solid, and considerably earlier than the ordinary Flat Dutch; foliage is a light bluish green, of dwarf, compact growth; solid, flat heads, which rest almost on the soil, owing to the very short stem, while a few outer leaves grow very closely about the heads. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

IMPROVED LARGE LATE DRUMHEAD.

—The heads of this variety grow to be very large size and heavy weight; they are solid and of good quality and texture; can be planted closely in the field, as it has but few loose leaves. It is an excellent winter variety, largely planted by growers who make a specialty of shipping cabbage, as it stands transportation well. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

SUCCESSION.—This favorite variety comes in a few days after Early Summer, and is a good early, round-headed sort, which heads very evenly. It is a popular variety and largely grown by both market gardeners and amateurs. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

VOLGA.—Said to have originated over ten years ago in Russia. The principal points of superiority are as follows: First, uniformity; second, solidity of head; third, the leaf stalks, while rather large, are tender and white, making a most desirable variety for all purposes for which cabbage is used; fourth, hardness (in this respect the Volga will compare favorably with any variety grown); fifth, the Volga is remarkable for quick-growing habits, as are all varieties that originate in cold countries. Seed of Volga sown on July 15 will mature perfect heads as early as other varieties that are sown earlier in July. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

PREMIUM FLAT DUTCH.—This is a standard late variety that has been a favorite for many years. It is a superior cabbage for late use, possessing all the good qualities of the Flat Dutch, and is a sure header. With good cultivation on moist, rich ground, ninety-five in one hundred will head up hard. I have a fine stock of seed of this popular late variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

BURPEE'S ALLHEAD.—The largest heading of the second early sorts. The quality is excellent. It is remarkable for its deep, flat heads, of uniform size, of compact growth and solid; has very few outer leaves, therefore it can be planted as close in the row as Wakefield. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

AUTUMN KING, OR WORLD-BEATER.

—This is an extra large and solid-head variety, well suited for fall and winter use. It will produce heads of enormous size, with an abundance of dark bluish green leaves growing close about the large flattened heads. The plant is of extra strong growth and requires a longer season than do the earlier and small varieties. Seed should be sown in this latitude about the first of June, when it will produce fine heads for autumn and winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

EARLY SUMMER.—This is one of the best of the large early cabbages, and is exceedingly valuable

for the market gardener, as it has a large number of leaves, adapted for close planting, thereby making a large number being grown to the acre. It is a very early and satisfactory cropper, maturing ten days or two weeks after Early Jersey Wakefield. Heads are uniformly round and flattened form; heads are very compact and solid, and usually double the weight of Early Jersey Wakefield. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

SPECIAL.—I will send by express, receiver to pay charges, and variety or varieties cabbage seed offered above, except Danish Ball Head, 5 lbs. for \$6.00, or 10 lbs. for \$10.00.

CARROTS.

DENVER'S HALF LONG.—This variety is well adapted to all soils and sections, and leads the whole list in popularity. It is half long in shape, somewhat stump-rooted, and of rich, dark orange color. This variety will probably yield a greater bulk and weight, having greater length of root than any other carrot now grown: 40 tons per acre have been grown, and a yield of 20 or 25 tons is not uncommon. It is a very popular and successful carrot. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

LONG ORANGE.—Big cropper, long, smooth, fine-grained, excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

NOTE.—When several pounds of carrot seed are wanted, ask for special rates.

CHANTENAY.—Stump-rooted; color rich orange; productive; fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

LARGE WHITE BELGIAN.—This variety is in great demand for feeding stock and is excellent for that purpose. It yields an enormous crop, growing about one-third out of the ground; roots are white, green above the ground, with small top; flesh rather coarse. The roots are very large and yield enormously. Price, pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c., postpaid.

OXHEART.—For an early, handsome, ready-selling carrot, plant this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

SWEET CORN.

Crop short, consequently prices unavoidably much higher than last season, but think they will compare favorably with any reliable house.

PREMO.—This is claimed to be the earliest sweet corn grown, even earlier than the Extra Early Adams. No corn introduced seems ever to have given such general satisfaction as this after a few years' growth. It is acknowledged by expert corn growers to be earlier than any pure sweet corn under cultivation. It not only combines all the merits of all leading early varieties, but is also really superior to them all in size and yield. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.

GOLDEN BANTAM.—Very early, hardy, small, but compact, well-filled ears, and the richest, sweetest, best sweet corn you ever ate. Pkt., 10 cts.; pt., 35c.; qt., 60c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.25; pk., \$2.00.

COUNTRY GENTLEMAN.—An excellent mid-season to late variety; very productive of large, well-

filled ears with long, slender grains crowded together in every conceivable shape; quality very fine; my favorite for my own table. Try it. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; half bus., \$3.25; bus., \$6.00.

STOWELL'S EVERGREEN.—Except for first early, there is perhaps nothing grown on the market today that will begin to equal Stowell's Evergreen. It is the best for second early, mid-season or late, and planted as of all others combined. Every market gardener and every private gardener in the land knows there is perhaps three times as much of this variety this grand old sweet corn. It is in high esteem for main crop or late use, being in special favor with truckers and canners. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.40; half bus., \$2.50; bus., \$4.50.

CELERY.

I have a very fine stock of a few of the leading varieties of celery seed and will be pleased to have your orders. Special price on 5 lbs. or over.

WHITE PLUME.—This variety is still a leader among the early sorts, and the ease with which it can be grown will always make it a favorite. It requires very little labor in growing, but is improved by earthing up. The inner stalks are pure white, crisp and of rich flavor. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

WINTER QUEEN.—Winter Queen is a close, compact dwarf or half dwarf celery, of about the same size as Golden Self-Blanching; it has, in fact, many traits of that variety, but a far better keeper. The stalks are thick and heavy, with more heart than any other variety. The leaves blanch to a beautiful creamy white, and are firm and solid. The flavor is sweet, nutty and delicious. This is probably the most desirable winter celery grown; will keep well until March. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

PARIS GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING.

This is one of the best for general use. The ribs are perfectly solid, crisp, brittle and of a delicious flavor. Surpassed by no other variety, while it has the decided merit of being self-blanching to a remarkable degree; the heart is large, solid and of a beautiful rich, golden yellow color. Don't fail to give this valuable variety a trial. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.75.

DWARF GOLDEN HEART.—This is a good winter keeper, a strong grower and a great favorite. In growth it is half dwarf, similar to Crawford's, except that it only blanches the heart, and is a brighter golden yellow color. A very desirable variety; try it. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

BOSTON MARKET.—This is a good and reliable winter keeper. It blanches quite early, and when ready for market or table makes a good appearance, and is tender, crisp, and fine flavor. It is a vigorous grower, with dark green leaves, attaining a medium height; in short, it is an old standard celery of widely known excellence. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

GIANT PASCAL.—This is a tall-growing variety, attaining a height of about two feet. The stalks are thick, solid, stringless, and brittle. I do not think the color of any celery is better described by the word "ivory" than this one. It blanches early and keeps well; in flavor it very much resembles Golden Self-Blanching, of which it is an offspring, and the flavor is very choice. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

CUCUMBERS.

This is one of my specialties. I grow them by the carload for market, and no cucumbers on the market bring higher prices than *Allen's*. Nothing but the best seed that can be produced will be used for my planting, and this is the kind I furnish my customers. Try them.

ALLEN'S PRIDE OF THE MARKET.—(See illustration.) The accompanying photograph was taken true to nature from mature cucumbers. The basket was a full-size five-eighths peach basket. While in a tender, crisp condition, before the seeds have fully matured, and while in the best condition for market, I have picked loads that would average from 12 to 14 inches long. The color is very dark green, which color it retains for a long time after being picked. The vines are strong and vigorous, with large, healthy foliage. As a market variety, where a strictly fancy article is appreciated, or for home use, it cannot fail to become a great favorite. So sure am I that this variety will give satisfaction that all who buy it and

are not satisfied, I will give them the amount they paid for seed of this variety in any other seed listed in my catalogue, if they are not satisfied after growing it one season. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00.

THE NEW DAVIS PERFECTION CUCUMBER.—This is without doubt a long stride in cucumber improvement. It is one of the most perfect in shape, but somewhat longer than Arlington White Spine, and of an intense green color that does not fade after being picked, making it one of the most valuable pickling cucumbers ever grown. The introducer claims it will sell as high as hothouse cucumbers side by side in the same market. Its eating qualities are among the best; it is almost seedless for one-third of its length, and the seeds that are contained in it when in slicing condition are very small and tender. This is indeed very fine; your money back if you don't find it so. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; ¼ lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00; 5 lbs., \$6.00.

ALLEN'S PRIDE OF THE MARKET.**PENINSULA PRIZE.**

—The best early market cucumber on earth. It will remain perfectly green for a month after being picked. Now, don't say, "That's a lie"—try it, and you will find that my statement is *all wool and a yard wide*. I grew over 1500 barrels of this variety the past season, and they sold every day for double the market quotations. They are vigorous, productive, fine quality, and every way O. K. Seed crop of this variety very short this season. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75; 5 lbs., \$7.50.

ARLINGTON WHITE SPINE (Allen's Selected Strain).

—This variety is too well known to require a prolonged description. It is one of the best known and most popular cucumbers with gardeners everywhere. My stock of seed of this variety

is far superior to the average, being saved expressly for my own requirements. It is very select. If you can get any better anywhere, at any price, I will refund every cent you pay me for this variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.00.

SHAMROCK.—Originated in Michigan, and is of the White Spine type. I have grown a quantity of it and found it very satisfactory. It is an excellent market variety, being very green, medium size, and ex-

ceedingly productive. I do not believe any one would regret planting it. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.; 5 lbs., \$3.75.

EARLY CLUSTER.—This extra early variety, rather prickly, seems to be giving great satisfaction. The fruit is borne in clusters, and is highly favored for its great productiveness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

EGG PLANTS.

EARLY BLACK BEAUTY.—(See cut).—This beautiful egg plant is a great improvement over the well-known and largely-grown New York Improved Large Purple. The plants are remarkably healthy in their growth, and produce an abundance of large fruit fully ten days earlier than the New York Improved. Pkt., 10c.; half oz., 25c.; oz., 40c.; quarter lb., \$1.25; 1 lb., \$4.00.

NEW YORK IMPROVED SPINELESS.—This is a spineless strain of the New York Imp. Purple, and is a desirable improvement on that popular old variety. I can cheerfully recommend my carefully selected strain of this egg plant to market gardeners and amateurs. Skin rich purple, flesh white and of fine flavor; fruit large, fine and free from thorns, and produces continually until frost. Plant a vigorous grower and a leading sort for home use and for market. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., 90c.; lb., \$3.00.

LETTUCE.

BIG BOSTON.—A very popular variety with gardeners who want a large-heading, forcing sort, and also for outdoor winter culture. The plants are large and very hardy and vigorous, with broad, smooth, thin and very hardy leaves, which are bright light green in color, and when well grown are quite tender; indoors this forms a solid head, while outdoors it is less distinctively a heading sort. This is grown in the South as a winter lettuce. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.50. Short seed crop.

ALLEN'S IMPROVED HANSON.—A beautiful heading sort, intermediate with loose-leaved and cabbage varieties. The heads are very large, of fine form, deliciously sweet, tender and crisp, even of the outer leaves; color green outside and white within. Free from any bitter or unpleasant taste. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00.

BLACK BEAUTY EGG PLANT.

CRISP-AS-ICE.—This is a beautiful lettuce of the cabbage type; the solid heads are of large size and the leaves are so tender and brittle as to have suggested the name bestowed upon it; the head has a rich yellow heart; the leaves are thick and glossy, somewhat curled, and of a good and attractive green color, variegated with bronze. Crisp-as-Ice cannot be overestimated or overpraised for home use in spring or summer. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00.

BLACK SEEDED SIMPSON.—A standard cutting variety; very popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

GRAND RAPIDS.—This variety is beautiful in appearance; excellent for garnishing, and is very tender and crisp; a strong-growing variety that retains its freshness a long time after being cut; as a forcing variety for winter and early spring use this; stands at the head of the list; it is beautiful in appearance. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

CRISP-AS-ICE LETTUCE.

MELONS---MUSK OR CANTALOUPE.

One of my specialties. I have grown 50 to 75 acres of cantaloupes for market every year for 10 years, shipping from two to three carloads daily during the season. I save my own seed and save it from the best selected melons, and I know that it is as good as that grown in Colorado or anywhere else. I have grown several crops from the much-overestimated Colorado-grown seed, but all my best crops and those that have paid me best were grown from my own selected stock and for my own planting I would not give a pound of my own selected cantaloupe seed for a pound of any Colorado-grown seed on the market. Being one of the largest growers of cantaloupes in the East, I have sifted the matter thoroughly for my own benefit, and know what I am talking about.

NEW NETTED ROCK.—This new early cantaloupe can truly be termed a "money-maker." In most respects it is very similar to the *New Eden Gem*, being densely netted entirely across the slight seams, exceedingly sweet, firm and solid, making one of the very best for home use or market. I have selected my seed of this variety until it is the most uniform in size of any variety that I know of, packing almost perfectly 45 to the standard crate. I have grown several

acres of this and find it a very profitable market variety. I shipped one full carload of this variety last August, which returned me over \$1,100 after paying freight, refrigerating, carting and commission. I shall plant at least 30 acres of this variety alone this year. The seed I offer is extra selected, all of my own growing. Price, per pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25; 10 lbs. by express for \$10.00.

BURRELL'S GEM.—This might very appropriately be called a salmon-fleshed Rocky Ford. It has yellow meat, which is very thick, leaving only a small seed cavity; the quality is very fine indeed. The vine makes a vigorous growth and is very productive, averaging in size about one-fourth larger than Rocky Ford, or about two and one-half pounds each. My seed are of my own growing and are strictly fancy. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., by express, \$5.00.

TRUE ROCKY FORD (Burpee's Netted Gem).—I only have a few seed this season, but they are of a very select strain of this popular market variety; no better or truer stock than this. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

NEW EDEN GEM.—This new cantaloupe is one of the very best market varieties to be had. It was originally selected from Rocky Ford, but has been selected and improved until it is entirely distinct and far superior to that popular old variety. The size is the same, but averages better in quality and is much firmer, thereby standing shipment and handling with less than half the lossage sustained in handling and shipping Rocky Ford. It makes a larger yield of marketable melons. The "New Eden Gem" has very slight creases and is densely netted all over, making a very beautiful and valuable cantaloupe either for market or home use. You will make no mistake in planting the NEW EDEN GEM, whether you plant a few hills in your garden for home use or a hundred-acre field for market. The seed I am offering of this variety are all of my own growing and were saved from selected melons from healthy vines in a field where there was no blight. So sure am I that this seed will please you that I will refund every dollar paid me for this seed should it give you cause to be dissatisfied or should you be able to buy seed elsewhere at any price that when planted and cultivated under the same conditions will give you better results. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00. By express, 5 lbs., \$4.50; 25 lbs., \$20.00.

BREAKFAST LUXURY.—About the size of Early Hackensack, and is all that its name implies. It is indeed a luxury and one that any lover of cantaloupes can enjoy. The vine is very strong and healthy and bears abundant crops of luscious green-fleshed melons that make your mouth water for the second piece. Can be shipped in barrels and bring good prices. Those who have an appreciative local market and are first to get the BREAKFAST LUXURY will have a bonanza. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

MODEL.—This would remind you of a big, overgrown Rocky Ford, being about twice the size of that variety. It originated in South Jersey, and its sweet, melting green flesh will satisfy the most discriminating customer. In delicacy and flavor it is unexcelled. It sells freely at top prices when others beg for buyers. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

EMERALD GEM.—This variety has vigorous and hardy vines; the flesh is salmon-colored, thick and firm, ripening almost to the rind, and of the richest and best flavor. The skin is smooth and of a deep emerald green color; this beautiful small melon is early and prolific and a very popular variety, either for home use or for the market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

WATERMELONS.

This is another of my specialties, which I grow in large quantities for market. I shall plant this year 60 acres for market, from which I expect to ship at least 50 cars. My seed are grown especially for me in Florida and are very fine. In comparing prices please do not overlook the fact that my seed are Florida-grown, as Western seed are much cheaper. If there are any of my customers who want Western seed, I can supply them of most varieties at one-third off prices which I quote for Florida seed.

SUCCESS.—Rightly named, as it carries "success" with it wherever it goes. This is the variety that attracted so much attention at the Jamestown Exposition last summer and was considered by many to be one of the best horticultural attractions. Those who plant it want it again, and those who see it over at Neighbor Do-well's all want it next year. The first 20 cars I shipped this year were each loaded with less than 900 melons, averaging about 40 lbs. to the melon, with plenty of 60 to 65-lb. specimens. It is enormously productive, very large, with rich dark green skin. It ships as well as Kolb Gem and others of that class, and has what they do not—that is, fine quality. Its shipping qualities are phenomenal, scarcely any other melon equaling it in tough skin and rind. While it has rapidly become one of the leading melons for market, it is one of the best all-around melons in existence, and for the family garden it is also without a peer. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00; 25 lbs. by express, \$20.00.

SWEETHEART.—Magnificent new shipping melon of uniformly large size and fine qualities; vine vigorous and productive, ripening its fruit early; fruit

EXTRA EARLY HACKENSACK.—This is a round melon flattened at the ends and well ribbed; the skin is netted and the flesh, which is green, is rich and sugary. The vines make good, strong growth and bear abundantly. It is also considered a good shipping melon. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

PAUL ROSE, OR PETOSKEY.—This extra fine salmon-colored melon is a hybrid between Osage and Netted Gem. It is, however, larger than Osage, with thicker flesh. It is of the Netted Gem and Rocky Ford family, being smaller in size, slightly elongated in shape and of highest flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

JERSEY BELLE.—Somewhat like Jenny Lind, not so early, but larger. The melons are flat, heavily ribbed, coarsely netted. It has a green flesh and very fine quality, and altogether is a very desirable melon. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

HOODOO. An ideal yellow-fleshed melon. Average size, 1½ lbs, packs uniform in crates and baskets; flesh very thick and firm; excellent keeper and shipper; seed cavity small with few seeds; flavor very sweet; heavily netted. Pkt. 10c.; oz. 30c.; ¼ lb. \$1.00; lb. \$3.00. Finest selected stock.

large, oval, very heavy, uniformly mottled, light, and very light green; rind thin but firm; flesh bright red, firm, solid, but very tender, melting and sweet. Fruit remains in condition for use longer than most other sorts. I grew quite a few of this variety the past season and know that it is very fine. I shipped a few to Boston which sold for \$27 a hundred, and the parties that bought them were anxious for more. It is indeed of large size and very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

DARK RIND KOLB GEM, OR ICEBERG (sometimes called yellow-bellied Kolb Gem).—This may be described as being very superior to the old Kolb Gem variety. It somewhat resembles the old variety in size and appearance, but is darker in color both outside and inside. Where it rests upon the ground it is yellow, while the Kolb Gem is white. The shape is oblong to nearly round; the rind is thin but very tough, and melons bear shipping and handling better than most other varieties. In this section it is more largely grown than any other on account of its excellent shipping qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

THREE FOLD.—This is a new variety of superior quality. The melons are uniform and long; vines of strong, vigorous growth, and produce enormous crops of richly-flavored melons. The skin, while thin, is very tough, of a leathery make, which insures finest shipping qualities. The flesh is richly colored, being of a deep blood red. This new variety should supersede many of the popular shipping varieties on account of its superior quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

GREY MONARCH.

—The flesh of this variety is a brilliant red and is remarkably sweet, delicious and crisp. It is well adapted to both North and South and claimed to be excellent both for market and the family garden. It is a vigorous, rapid grower, and very productive of large, beautiful melons of lightish color. It is one of the best in quality and a general favorite everywhere. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

FLORIDA FAVORITE.

—A beautiful melon, with dark and light green exterior; shape oblong; flesh bright crimson, crisp and deliciously sweet; ripens ahead of Kolb Gem, Ironclad or Rattlesnake; a good shipper, a great favorite for home use or near market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

HALBERT HONEY.—Planters who sell their melons in nearby markets say that Halbert Honey outsells any other variety they grow, and claim that it will sell even when the market is well supplied. It is essentially a home melon for your own use or nearby market, as the thin skin is too brittle to withstand rough handling in distant shipping. The vines are of strong, vigorous growth, and sets fruit freely; four or five large melons are frequently seen clustered closely together. The vines grow quickly, so that they will ripen choice fruit even in the Northern States, if planted in good location. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

BLACK BOULDER.—This is enormously productive, reaching a mammoth size, with rich, dark green skin. It cuts equal to any melon on the market, and its shipping qualities are phenomenal, no other melon equaling it in tough skin and rind. It is claimed to be even superior to Kolb Gem. Packet, 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

KLECKLY SWEET.—This is claimed to be the sweetest watermelon yet produced, and is especially desirable to grow for home use and near market. This melon is too tender to admit of fruits being shipped any distance to market. Fruits are oblong, with dark green skin and very thin rind; flesh bright scarlet, with broad, solid heart, which is crisp, sugary and melting, and entirely free from stringiness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$4.50.

CAROLINA BRADFORD.—A splendid melon for home use, maturing in about 85 days. It is a large, long melon, of dark green color, with darker

stripes; the red flesh is sweet and melting, and of excellent texture; the seed are white; it has a very strong vine and very productive. It is highly esteemed wherever known, and is better adapted to home use or near market than for distant shipment. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$4.50.

EDEN.—A cross of Kolb Gem and Rattlesnake, combining the good shipping qualities of the Kolb Gem with the splendid table qualities of the Rattlesnake. It is similar in shape and appearance to Kolb Gem, excepting that it has a brighter stripe, is a little larger, and has a more attractive appearance. It is becoming a popular market melon wherever grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$4.50.

KOLB GEM.—This is one of the most popular shipping melons grown in the South. The shape is oblong to nearly round; the melons weigh from 30 to 40 lbs. each; the rind is thin but very tough and melons bear handling and shipping better than most other varieties. It is largely grown on account of its superior shipping qualities. The flesh is bright red and the vines are very productive. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs. by express, \$10.00.

MAMMOTH IRONCLAD.—This extra large watermelon is one of the greatest commercial melons on the market. The flesh is of prime quality, always solid and never mealy; the heart is very large and the flesh next to the rind is fully equal to that in the center; it uniformly grows to greater size, with more marketable melons to the acre, than any other of the extra-large varieties. Ironclad will mostly resist a fall of three feet without fracturing or even bruising, and is one of the best shippers known. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 25 lbs by express, \$10.00.

ONIONS.

My onion seed this season is exceptionally fine, and I shall be pleased to have your orders.

YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS.—A fine strain. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD.—Fine stock. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

PRIZETAKER.—Very popular, and my stock will please you. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

WHITE PORTUGAL.—Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 65c.; lb., \$2.25.

SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE.—Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., 80c.; lb., \$2.75.

PARSLEY.

TRIPLE CURLED.—Plant robust and free from growth, and is improved by severe cutting; large leaves and beautifully curled; very dark green; stands heat, drought and cold; yield double that of most sorts; appearance of plant is very handsome. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

CHAMPION MOSS CURLED.—The large leaves are heavily crimped and curled, being quite

moss-like in appearance, and of a peculiarly rich, extra dark green coloring; very productive and most attractive as a garnish, both on account of its deep green color and its fine mossy appearance. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

EMERALD.—A dwarf-growing and very satisfactory variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

PEPPERS.

RUBY KING.—The plants grow about two feet high and produce fine crops of handsome large, scarlet fruit which ripens somewhat earlier than any other variety. Flesh thick, sweet and mild; especially fine for salad, or stuffed for mangoes. I place this variety at the head of the list because it is generally considered the best of all the varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75.

LONG RED CAYENNE.—The conical shaped fruit is from three to four inches long and of a bright red color, and borne in great profusion. This is a standard household variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$2.00.

BULL NOSE.—A standard sweet-flavored, scarlet sort. Plants two feet high, prolific, and quite early in ripening. The sweet, scarlet fruits are three inches in length and two inches in diameter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75.

CHINESE GIANT.—Flesh thick and solid; requires a long growing season, so plants should be set early. The peppers grow much larger than Ruby King, and of a bright scarlet color when ripe. The plant is strong, of vigorous growth, being about two feet high when fully grown, and very prolific. The extreme size of the peppers is a great surprise to all who grow them. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 35c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.75.

RUBY KING PEPPER.

PARSNIPS.

LARGE SUGAR, OR HOLLOW CROWN.—This is a popular old variety that everybody grows; roots large size, always smooth; rich, sweet flavor, and enormously productive. A very desirable table

variety. The top grows from a depression in the crown, hence the name. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

PEAS.

Note all quotations on peas are by express or freight, receiver to pay charges.

FIST AND BEST.—One of the leading early varieties. Qt., 20c.; 4 qts., 50c.; peck, 90c.; bus., \$3.25.

ALASKA.—Crop very short. Qt., 25c.; 4 qts., 80c.; peck, \$1.50; bus., \$5.75.

GRADUS, OR PROSPERITY.—Earliest long-podded variety; very fine, and my stock is excellent. Qt., 35c.; 4 qts., \$1.10; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.75.

TELEPHONE.—Large peas of rich, sugary flavor. Qt., 30c.; 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

SURPRISE, OR ECLIPSE.—One of the good things you should plant. Large, early, wrinkled. Qt., 30c.; 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

NOTT'S EXCELSIOR.—A very fine variety. Qt., 25c.; 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

BLISS EVERBEARING.—Very popular and very prolific. Qt., 25c.; 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

PREMIUM GEM.—The best distinctly dwarf variety; grows 12 to 15 inches high; very popular; qt., 25c.; 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.50.

LARGE WHITE MARROWFAT.—Qt., 20c.; 4 qts., 50c.; pk., 80c.; bus., \$3.00.

CANADA FIELD PEAS.—Excellent for early hay. \$1.75 per bushel.

RADISHES.

SCARLET GLOBE.—This new radish has especially a good reputation as a forcing sort. Its peculiarity is that it will bear forcing without becoming pithy in character or suffering injury to its flavor. Its attractive shape is shown in the illustration; its color is rich scarlet, which has a small top, and is in

all respects a high-bred radish. I have planted a number of varieties for bunching and for early market, but until I can find something better I shall not plant anything except the Scarlet Globe hereafter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$3.50.

WHITE TIP SCARLET TURNIP.—Color is scarlet and white, as indicated by its name. It is extremely quick to mature, being ready for the table in seventeen to twenty days from time of sowing seed; is invaluable for planting under glass as well as for the open air; the skin is very smooth. Market gardeners find it a quick-selling sort at good prices; for the private home garden it is no less satisfactory. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.; 10 lbs. by express \$3.50.

EARLY DARK RED.—This radish is a great favorite with market gardeners on account of its size and attractive appearance. Market gardeners, as well as private gardeners, who have not tried this variety will find it to give entire satisfaction. Its beautiful color is implied in its name. It makes very rapid growth and is one of the sweetest and tenderest radishes in the whole list. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$3.50.

Early Scarlet Globe Radish.

NOTT'S EXCELSIOR

CHARTIERS.—A long, smooth radish, red above and shading to a clean white at the tip; large, but both brittle and tender; widely popular. This radish makes the finest appearance on the market stall, and for this reason is grown extensively by market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$3.50.

ALLEN'S SNOWBALL.—This white globe-shaped radish is the foremost of its class in the Philadelphia markets. It seems to be constantly improving in character under high culture and careful selection. For growing under glass it is most excellent. Its short

top and round growth make it a great favorite with market men, and its mild, sweet quality wins the favor of the consumer. It is often ready to pull before the leaves are fully grown, thus economizing valued space under the sashes. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 50c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$3.50.

WHITE CHARTIERS, or WHITE STRASBURG.—Similar in shape and possessing the same good qualities as the above, but the color is pure white. I predict a great demand for this class of radish. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

SQUASHES.

GOLDEN SUMMER CROOKED NECK.

—This is one of the best of the summer squashes; it is of dwarf bushy habit and very productive; the skin is yellow, the shape is shown in the illustration; the flesh is a green-yellowish color and is dry and of most agreeable flavor. It is, in fact, the most highly esteemed of all the summer varieties. I particularly recommend my select strain to the attention of the market gardeners. Those who used it last season speak in the highest praise of its good qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quar. lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$4.00.

SQUASH. GOLDEN HUBBARD.

TRUE HUBBARD.—The most largely grown as a late sort. It is of large size, often weighing from 10 to 25 pounds; color bluish green, occasionally marked with brownish orange or yellow; flesh fine grain, dry and excellent flavor. It can be used from September until May. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 65c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$5.00.

10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$5.50.

GOLDEN HUBBARD.—A new and valuable squash, a sport of the old Hubbard. It has shape and virtues of its parent, but it is earlier and more productive; the color of the skin is very pleasing, being deep yellow or orange red; flesh richer in color than the Hubbard and of equal quality; fine grain and sweet; cooks dry and is a perfect table squash for making into pies. A splendid keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz.,

BOSTON MARROW.—This is an excellent pie squash and a good keeping variety, notwithstanding the skin is thin; form is oval and color a bright orange; flesh yellow, rich and sweet. This is a widely popular squash for autumn and winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

YELLOW BUSH, OR GOLDEN CUSTARD.—This excellent variety is sometimes called Mammoth Yellow Bush on account of its great size. The color is a rich golden yellow, as indicated by the name; its table quality is excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

SPINACH.

NEW ROUND THICK-LEAVED NORFOLK.—The best for fall sowing as well as early spring; of a handsome dark green color, producing more curled thick leaves than any other; it is a heavy yielder and remains firm and bright a long time after gathering. The best and most profitable variety to grow. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 35c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$1.75; 25 lbs. by express, \$4.00.

GIANT CRUMPLE, OR SAVOY LEAF.—An exceedingly popular variety; very hardy and stands shipment well; one of the best market varieties; productive, hardy, tender and well flavored. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 35c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$1.75; 25 lbs. by express, \$4.00.

TURNIPS.

PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAF.—This is one of the best table and stock turnips on the market, being of fine grain and fine flavor. It is white below with a bright purple top; it is a good cropper and excellent keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE.—One of the handsomest and most salable turnips. A profitable sort for home or market. It is large and grows rapidly. Flesh pure white and globe-shaped; the skin is white and purple, the end portion being white and the top bright purple. It is a heavy yielding variety and one that will give general satisfaction. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

WHITE EGG.—This turnip grows beautiful egg-shaped roots with a thin white skin. It is very agreeable in flavor and desirable for table use. It is a good keeper and excellent yielder, sown either early or late. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

COW HORN.—A white turnip of peculiar long shape and quick maturity. It grows to large size, standing half out of the ground. It is fine flavored and especially desirable for fall and summer use. I have raised many specimens that were from 3 to 4 inches in diameter and from 10 to 15 inches long. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

Turnip, Purple Top, White Globe.

YELLOW ABERDEEN.—A turnip of high merit; the flesh is yellow, tender, sugary and very solid; in color the turnip is purple above and deep yellow below the ground. It is productive, hardy and a good keeper; a valuable table variety and also excellent for feeding stock. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; pound, 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

LONG ISLAND IMPROVED RUTA BAGA.—This late standard variety yields very heavily and is a valuable cropper. It is of fine quality and widely grown; it keeps perfectly all winter and even until the

following summer; it is hardy, productive and sweet. It should be sown in June or July, as it requires a longer season to mature than other strains of the turnip. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

IMP. PURPLE TOP RUTA BAGA.—A superb variety; will make immense yield of large, smooth bulbs that will easily keep until spring. One of the very best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

PUMPKINS.

MAMMOTH POT IRON.—This is a prize-winner, growing to immense proportions; flesh bright yellow, fine grained and gooey quality. Notwithstanding the large size of this variety, it is excellent for making pies. It is claimed that specimens have been grown to weigh over 240 pounds. This is also one of the cheapest of stock foods. I know of farmers who do not feed their cattle anything but coarse hay and pumpkins until long after mid-winter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00; 10 lbs. by express, \$7.50.

CONN. FIELD.—This variety is enormously productive, large, orange-colored, and excellent for feeding stock; usually grown for that purpose, but also makes good pies. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 50c.; 10 lbs. by express, \$4.00.

TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO.—Medium size, pear-shaped, slightly ribbed; color creamy white, sometimes lightly striped with green; flesh light-colored, fine-grained, dry and of superior flavor; when cooked resembles sweet potato in appearance and taste. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

MUSTARD.

Make repeated sowings in shallow drills a foot apart. Of easy cultivation.

NEW CHINESE.—Large crimped leaves, tender and delicious when cooked like spinach. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.; 5 lbs. by express, \$2.50.

OSTRICH PLUME.—This new variety originated in the South, and is one of the most desirable in cultivation. The leaves are exquisitely crimped, ruffled and frilled, and make an excellent table garnishing. It is of superior flavor and very popular wherever grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

TOMATOES.

I have a large stock of tomato seed, and especially of those varieties mostly used by canners, such as Allen's Best, Stone, Paragon, Britton's Best, Favorite, Atlantic Prize, etc., and I invite correspondence with managers of canning establishments. I will put up your seed in pounds, half-pounds, quarter-pounds, or any way you want them, and give you lowest jobbing prices and give you best stock. I have furnished large quantities of seed to canners and have yet to hear from my first dissatisfied customer.

JUNE PINK.—June Pink is a deep pink or purplish-colored tomato, having the same character of growth and fruiting as Sparks' Earliana, while it is *fully as early* and possesses greater sweetness and freedom from acidity. It originated as a chance sport in a field of Earliana on the farm of a market gardener near Freehold, N. J. The plants are quite hardy and adapted to the practice of market gardeners who start their plants very early and have large plants well hardened ready to set out as early in the spring as the weather will permit. The young plants make what are known as "crown sets"—that is, the young plant develops a large cluster of blossoms when about eight inches high, either in the plant bed or very soon after it is planted in the field. The plants are of quick, hardy growth, open or spreading in habit. The larger fruits, borne in clusters of three to five, measure three to four inches in diameter by two to two and one-half inches deep from stem to blossom end. Both skin and flesh are of a deep pink or purplish tint, pleasing to the eye, while the crystalline flesh is of sweet, mild flavor. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; quarter lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.50.

ALLEN'S BEST.—This is undoubtedly the very best early tomato in cultivation. The season is medium early, the color is a beautiful red, reminding one of red velvet. The fruit is firmer than any other tomato I have ever grown, and it will bear shipping further than any other variety. I say this without hesitation, and to any person who buys seed to grow tomatoes for market and can successfully contradict this statement, I will return him the money paid me for the seed. I have shipped it to Boston by express (which is about the hardest test that could be given any tomato) and had it sell for \$1.50 per crate, when other varieties would not pay transportation charges. As a second early variety for shipping, general crop, canning, or any other purpose, I have never seen its equal, although I have grown hundreds of acres of tomatoes. It is very productive, and anyone who grows tomatoes for market should not fail to include

Allen's Best. It is large, always smooth and firm, a heavy cropper, and less liable to crack than any other variety. This season I have put the price within the reach of all. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00; 5 lbs. by express, \$7.50.

SPARK'S EARLIANA.—At this time probably the most largely grown of all the extra early varieties. Market gardeners, who find it advantageous to be first in market, have been singing the praises of Earliana for several years, until it has become the standard for comparison of first early varieties. The plants are quite hardy, with rather slender, open branches and moderate growth, well set with fruits, nearly all of which will ripen extremely early in the season. The tomatoes are deep scarlet and grow closely together in clusters of four or five medium size, averaging about two to two and one-half inches in diameter. There is a good proportion of smooth tomatoes and a correspondingly small number of creased and imperfect ones. Mr. Burpee claims that "a specimen plant at Fordhook Farms had, by actual count, forty-five ripe tomatoes at one time, and that at time of first picking, and thirty-five green ones of good size, and the whole plant could have been hidden by a bushel basket." As this variety is so well known, it is not necessary to give it further description. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00. Special price on larger orders.

CHALK'S EARLY JEWEL.—I have been growing this variety for four years, and for early market I have not yet found anything to equal it. It is not quite so early as some of the other varieties, but this is all made up for in extra fine quality, and large yield of the beautiful thick, red tomatoes; they are never seamed or misshapen like many other early sorts, and always bring top prices. Fruits are uniformly large, thick through, more solid, and finer quality than the very early varieties. Average well-grown fruits are from two to two and a half inches thick, two and a-half to three inches in diameter, which is large enough for market varieties. The plant is enormously productive and one of the most profitable to grow for main crop as well as for early market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00. Write for special prices on large lots.

LIVINGSTON NEW GLOBE.—This is a new large tomato of very fine quality. It is thicker from stem to blossom end than any other variety grown. The plants are robust and hardy, making large growth, which is well loaded with handsome tomatoes. It is excellent for slicing; ripens early, although of

large size; very smooth; firm flesh; few seed; ripens evenly; color a beautiful glossy rose, tinted with purple; flavor very delicate and agreeable. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00; 5 lbs., by express, \$7.50.

MAULE'S EARLIEST.—For first early this is equal to any variety that I know of. About as early as Spark's Earliana. Mr. Maule, in describing his new tomato, speaks of it in these terms: "Remarkable for its large size; the most profitable early tomato in the world; better quality and earlier than any of its rivals; the plant is a good yielder for so early a variety; the fruit commands highest prices by being first in the market, and has proved very profitable to my customers. Every market gardener knows the value of the first home-grown tomatoes, and is anxious to share in the prices which characterize the opening of the season. Maule's Early will meet the requirements of the case, for it is the first to mature, and it is really large, handsome and good." The seed I am offering of this valuable new early variety are of my own growing and were saved only from select tomatoes. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.; quarter lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00.

STONE.—Here on the Maryland and Delaware Peninsula, where there are more tomatoes canned than in any other part of the world, the Stone is the great favorite. This has come to be recognized as best of all the standard sorts, though comparatively new. The color is a desirable, bright red. The fruit is of large size, perfectly smooth and of the best quality. It is a famous crop tomato in many sections, both North and South, and is much used for canning. The plants are productive and the fruit bears shipment well. I rate

SALSIFY.

MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLANDS.—This is an improved type of the largest and most profitable salsify now in cultivation; roots large, heavier than

WHITE POTATOES.

I do not handle potatoes in less than barrel lots, and I can usually supply the very best northern grown seed of **IRISH COBBLER**, **HOLTON ROSE**, **EARLY OHIO**, **CROWN JEWEL**, and several others at lowest market price. I do not give prices here as market fluctuates considerable, and it is best to give

SWEET POTATOES.

There is probably no section where better sweet potatoes can be grown than here on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. My sweet potatoes took first prize at the Maryland Horticultural Society in December, 1906, the only time I ever made an exhibit. I have a few slips for sale which will average about one inch in diameter and about 4 to 5 inches long, which I will furnish f. o. b. R. R., at \$3.00 per bbl. (I do not sell potatoes in less than one barrel lots.) I desire those living at a distance to buy potato plants instead of the slips or seed potatoes. I offered sweet potato plants for the first time last spring and was surprised at the amount we sold, which was over 1,200,000. Plants can be sent anywhere in this country by express. I have the following varieties:

RED NANSEMOND.—This variety has a blood red skin, but inside it is yellow and dry. It cooks very

it with the best. Stone is used for forcing purposes under glass, with very best results. Its shape, color and quality adapt it to the fancy trade. I am especially desirous of corresponding with canners who wish seed of this variety for their growers, and will say that I am in position to offer prices that must be satisfactory on large quantities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25; 10 lbs. by express \$11.00; 25 lbs., \$25.00; 100 lbs., \$90.00.

PARAGON (Britton's Best).—This is a favorite market variety in certain sections; a fine, medium early variety, and a heavy bearer; fruit large, dark red in color and perfectly smooth; much used for canning purposes. The variety is heavy. The Paragon is sometimes described as being smooth as an apple. I should like to correspond with canners who wish to buy seed for their growers. I am in a position to offer prices on this variety in large quantities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$1.75; 10 lbs. by express, \$12.50; 25 lbs., \$27.50.

YELLOW PEAR.—This is a very pretty tomato, similar in shape to a pear. The fruit is rather small, only about the size of a large plum. Very desirable for pickling and preserving. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

LIVINGSTON'S FAVORITE.—I have grown this variety largely for main crop and find it very satisfactory; color very dark red and quite large; it is very thick and has but few seeds. In proportion to size, it is one of the heaviest tomatoes grown; for main crop I doubt if there is anything better in the old standard varieties than this. I have grown it by the acre where I could pick five-eighths of a bushel basket from three to five hills at a picking. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50; 10 lbs., by express, \$12.00.

LIVINGSTON'S BEAUTY.—Fruit large; borne in clusters of four or five; medium early; color rich glossy crimson; full grown green tomatoes can be picked and they will ripen up beautifully; an excellent shipping sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50; 10 lbs., by express, \$12.00.

ATLANTIC PRIZE.—A splendid early variety for general use; of large size, bright red color, uniform and smooth; highly recommended and a favorite with many growers. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50; 10 lbs. by express, \$12.00.

FIVE MILLION DOLLAR.—Medium early, large, red and smooth. Its shipping qualities are superb. It can be picked red and shipped hundreds of miles by express. Several customers who bought this two years ago recommend it highly. One says, "You will disappoint no one with this variety." Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

the old long white, which I have discarded, and of more agreeable flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

direct quotations. Write me your wants, stating varieties and quantity of each, and I will write, giving prices by return mail. It is usually to the advantage of the purchaser to place orders early and the potatoes can be held and shipped out when you are ready.

fine, and many think it to be one of the very best on the market. This may be mistaken for a red yam, but I wish to state that this is a distinct sweet potato, and is not related to the red yam in any respect. Those who like a dry sweet potato cannot fail to be pleased with this variety.

YELLOW NANSEMOND.—This is a chunky, smooth, yellow sweet potato. It is perhaps more popular than any other variety grown. With me it is a heavy yielder, and for all purposes I consider it one of the best.

BIG STEM JERSEY.—This is a very popular variety with many growers, especially those who wish to get their crop in before others begin to dig. This variety is a very heavy yielder, and is very desirable, either for home use or market.

GOLD SKIN.—This is a beautiful yellow potato, usually growing very chunky. It has a peculiarity of being almost a golden yellow inside. Many describe it as being all heart and it does so appear. The quality of this variety is very fine, one of the finest grown in this section, and is becoming to be very highly prized.

CEDARVILLE.—This variety is similar in many respects to the Yellow Nansemond; it is said to be an improvement on that variety. I grew it the past season for the first time, and can say that it made an excellent yield of fine potatoes. I should have no hesitancy in planting it.

RED NOSE.—This is one of the best market varieties; yields heavily and is of good quality; bright yellow with tinted red tips, which shows only when freshly dug. Sprouts only.

SOUTHERN QUEEN.—This variety is white and of very fine quality. It belongs to the yam family. Many prefer it to any other variety for the home table. It does not sell in market as well as some others, but for my own eating I prefer it to any of the other varieties. Sprouts only.

Red Nose and Southern Queen, plants only; slips of all other varieties at \$3.00 per bbl. Plants of all varieties, \$1.50 per 1000; ten thousand order at \$1.25 per 1000. On large lots write for prices. Small lots by mail, 60c. per 100.

VEGETABLE PLANTS.

CABBAGE PLANTS (Early Varieties).—Early Jersey Wakefield, Large Charleston Wakefield, and Early Summer. Ready after April 1; \$2.00 per 1,000; \$15.00 per 10,000.

Late Varieties.—Danish Ball Head, Surehead, All Seasons, Autumn King, etc. \$1.25 per 1,000; \$10.00 per 10,000.

TOMATO PLANTS.—Earliana, Chalk's Jewell, June Pink, and Allen's Best. Small plants for spotting in cold frames. Ready about April 10. \$1.25 per 1,000; \$10.00 per 10,000. Large plants, about 6 inches tall, ready for open ground about May 1 to June 1, same varieties as above, \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1,000. Late varieties, ready for the field after June 1, Stone Paragon, etc., \$1.50 per 1,000; \$12.50 per 10,000; special prices on larger lots.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS.—Gold Skin, Red Nansemond, Yellow Nansemond, Big Stem Jersey, Cedarville, Red Nose, Southern Queen. Ready after May 1; \$1.50 per 1,000; \$12.50 per 10,000; small lots by mail, 60c., per 100.

CAULIFLOWER.—Early Dwarf Erfurt, and Dwarf First Early. Ready after April 15; \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1,000; \$25.00 per 5,000.

EGG PLANTS.—Black Beauty, New York, Purple, Spineless. Ready about May 10; \$1.50 per 100; \$10.00 per 1,000.

PEPPER PLANTS.—Ruby King, Chinese Giant and Long Red Cayenne. Ready in May and June; \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1,000.

FARM SEEDS.

CRIMSON OR SCARLET CLOVER.—A well-known and favorite winter crop and soil enricher, affording excellent early foliage. Seed should be sown in August or September. Use seed at the rate of 15 to 25 pounds per acre, depending upon the soil—the thinner the soil the more seed should be used. It grows all winter when the ground is not frozen. It is very beautiful when in bloom and valuable for soiling purposes, for pasture or hay, and the roots add materially to the fertility of the soil. My seed are the very finest that can be produced, and I shall be pleased to receive your orders. I handle large quantities of Crimson Clover Seed and can give you best prices. By express or freight: Pk., \$1.50; bus. (60 lbs.) \$5.50. For large quantities ask for special prices.

ALFALFA.—Strictly No. 1 seed. Quarter bus., \$2.75; bus., \$10.00.

ALSYKE.—No. 1 seed. Quarter bus., \$2.50; bus., \$9.00.

WHITE CLOVER.—Fine for lawns or pasture. First-class seed. Quarter bus., \$3.00; bus. (60 lbs.), \$11.00.

MEDIUM RED CLOVER.—The standard everywhere. Quarter bus., \$2.75; bus. (60 lbs.), \$10.00.

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ORCHARD GRASS.—Bus. (14 lbs.), \$2.00.

KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS.—Bus. (14 lbs.), \$2.75.

GERMAN MILLET.—Choice. Bus. (50 lbs.), \$1.75.

COW PEAS (Whippowill).—Bus. (60 lbs.), \$3.00. Short crop.

CANADA FIELD PEAS.—Bus. (60 lbs.), \$1.75.

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of dianthus may be sown in the open ground, and thinned to stand six or eight inches apart in the row. The plants spread rapidly and make ornamental masses of growth. The colors of these pinks are exceedingly rich and varied.

37. PORTULACCA.—A favorite annual for beds, edgings, rock work, etc. Thrives best in rich, light loam or sandy soil. Blooms early summer until autumn. Only six inches high. Double mixed. Pkt., 10c.

38. PORTULACCA.—Single. Very pretty; some think even prettier than the double.

39. POPPY.—A showy and easily cultivated plant. Quite hardy and a favorite everywhere. Flowers of various sizes, shapes and colors, both single and double; always conspicuous and brilliant. Height, two feet. Mixed varieties.

40. PHLOX.—Drummondii. This is a very pretty plant. It becomes a perfect mass of color. The plants are strong and healthy, with pretty foliage, and belong in every garden. They are both annual and perennial.

41. SNAPDRAGON (*Antirrhinum Majus*).—One of the most beautiful and charming of the old-fashioned flowers. Colors, white, scarlet, yellow, etc. The Antirrhinum is a perennial, and blooms well the second season, but succeeds also as an annual.

42. SALVIA (Scarlet Sage).—A famous and fashionable annual bedding plant. Blooms in lavish profusion until frost. Succeeds everywhere and is in universal favor.

43. SWEET WILLIAM.—Well-known, free-blooming, hardy perennial plants. Old-fashioned favorite, now greatly improved. They produce masses of lovely, brilliant, sweet-scented flowers through a long period, making a splendid effect in beds. One foot high.

44. SUNFLOWER.—Ornamental, double.

45. SWEET MIGNONETTE.—Valuable both winter and summer. Frequent sowing of seeds should be made. Sow where they are to remain. Much used for pots.

46. SENSITIVE PLANT.—A great curiosity. Leaves fall as though dead if touched.

47. STOCKS.—Ten week. German dwarf mixed varieties, all colors.

48. SWEET PEAS.—I have a large supply and a very fine mixture of sweet peas in great varieties of colors, including many of the best and standard varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 30c.

49. SWEET PEAS.—"Eckford Stram." Very fine, all colors mixed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., 60c.

50. VERBENA.—A choice annual, 6 to 12 inches high, indispensable for bedding purposes. Flowers white, scarlet, red, crimson, purple, etc. To hasten bloom it is better to start the seed indoors. The plants should stand about one foot apart in the open ground, and the flowers should be cut frequently. Seedling verbenas are stronger than others.

51. ZENNIA.—Hardy annual plant, one to two feet high. Suited to all situations and soils. The bloom is always gay and profuse, and the range of color endless. No flowers are more showy. Sow seed in the open ground, and transplant or thin out to one foot apart.

All varieties of flower seed offered are 5 cents per package, except those where prices are given, following the name and description. Customers ordering flower seed need not undertake to write the name of each variety, but write the number given preceding the name, and we will understand what is wanted.

BULBS

DAHLIAS.—My dahlias the the admiration of all who see them.

WM. AGNEW.—Brilliant red, free bloomer, large; 15c. each, \$1.25 doz.

A. D. LIVONI.—Beautiful soft pink; fine for cut flowers; very prolific and free bloomers; 15c. each; \$1.25 doz.

JEALOUSY.—Lemon yellow; very fine, beautiful, free bloomer; 15c. each, \$1.25 doz.

SIR CHAS. MILLS.—A beautiful free-blooming yellow; 15c. each, \$1.25 doz.

PINK DANDY.—Pure pink, perfectly formed; a gem; 20c. each, \$1.75 doz.

KREMILDE.—Cactus dahlia; beautiful, delicate shell pink; very desirable; 20c. each, \$1.50 doz.

WINSOME WHITE CACTI.—Very pretty; 20c. each, \$1.50 doz.

GEN. BULLER.—One of the best of the cactus varieties; blooms very free; deep cardinal red, shaded purplish maroon; many of the petals tipped with white; 20c. each, \$1.75 doz.

STRIPED BANNER.—Crimson scarlet, tipped white; 20c. each, \$1.50 doz.

HENRY PATRICK.—Pure white, large flowers, long stems; 20c. each, \$1.50 doz.

BEAUTIFUL MIXTURE.—My own selection; very pretty; no two alike; \$1.00 per doz.

GLADIOLI BULBS.—Beautiful mixture, large bulbs; 35c. per dozen, \$2.00 per 100, by express. Small blooming, 20c. per doz., \$1.25 per 100.

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What to Plant ^{with} _{...all} Pistillate Varieties

There are so many that write us what is best to plant with certain pistillate varieties, that I give below an outline of what to plant with all pistillate kinds that we offer Cobden Queen, Crescent, Virginia, Warfield can be fruited with either of the following: Climax, Klondyke, Senator Dunlap, Fairfield, Red Bird or Splendid. Boston Prize, Bubach, Buster, Cardinal, Collossus, Dixie Bell, Elma. Gen. DeWitt, Gov. Rollins, Greenville, Haverland, Kansas, Mammoth Beauty, Nettie, President, Sample and Southern Beauty can be fruited with any of the following: Saunders, New York, Woolverton, Tennessee Prolific, Clyde, Abington, Bismarck, Hummer or Climax. You may wonder why I recommend Climax to fruit both early and late varieties. The reason is because it has a large amount of bloom and is very strong in pollen, and the bloom covers a very long season. I would therefore recommend Climax as a good one to plant with any pistillate varieties from early to medium late. There are other varieties that will do to plant with pistillates, besides these I have named, but I have given the ones that I think would give the best results.

If you believe the plants you plant cut any figure in the results; if you think the best is the cheapest in the end; and if you want to be sure of getting the variety you buy, in the condition to make the most for yourself—I ask you to investigate the plants I grow.

I don't claim to sell plants cheaper than anybody else. I am not competing with the man whose stock has nothing but cheapness to recommend it, and it is not to your interest to buy that kind. My claim is that I am producing the best, strongest, most vigorous and most prolific plants that can be grown in a well-favored strawberry climate, and that I am selling them at a reasonable price. Is this the kind you are looking for? If so, may I have your order?

Number Plants Required to Set an Acre of Ground at a Given Distance

Rows 4 ins. apart, plants 12 inches in row,	21,780
" 30 " " 12 " "	17,424
" 36 " " 12 " "	14,520
" 42 " " 12 " "	12,446
" 48 " " 12 " "	10,890
" 24 " " 15 " "	17,424
" 30 " " 15 " "	13,939
" 36 " " 15 " "	11,616
" 42 " " 15 " "	9,953
" 48 " " 15 " "	8,712
" 24 " " 18 " "	14,520
" 30 " " 18 " "	11,616
" 36 " " 18 " "	9,680
" 42 " " 18 " "	8,297
" 48 " " 18 " "	7,260
" 24 " " 24 " "	10,890
" 30 " " 24 " "	8,712
" 36 " " 24 " "	7,260
" 42 " " 24 " "	6,223
" 48 " " 24 " "	5,445
" 24 " " 30 " "	8,712
" 30 " " 30 " "	6,969
" 36 " " 30 " "	5,808
" 42 " " 30 " "	4,976
" 48 " " 30 " "	4,356

A USEFUL TABLE

When rows are 18 inches apart there are 9,800 yards of row per acre.

" " 24 " " "	7,350	" " "
" " 30 " " "	5,880	" " "
" " 33 " " "	5,323	" " "
" " 36 " " "	4,900	" " "
" " 42 " " "	4,200	" " "
" " 48 " " "	3,675	" " "
" " 54 " " "	3,267	" " "
" " 60 " " "	2,940	" " "

Number of Pounds of Fertilizer Required Per Acre When Rows Are Following Distances Apart

No. Lbs. per 100 Yds. of Row.	18 in.	2 ft.	2½ ft.	2¾ ft.	3 ft.	3½ ft.	4 ft.	4½ ft.	5 ft.
Ten	980	735	590	530	490	420	370	325	295
Fifteen	1470	1100	880	800	735	630	550	49	440
Twenty	1960	1470	1175	1065	980	820	735	655	590
Twenty-five	2450	1840	1470	1330	1225	1050	920	815	735
Thirty	2940	2205	1765	1595	1470	1260	1105	980	880
Thirty-five	3430	2575	2060	1865	1715	1470	1285	1145	1030
Forty	3920	2940	2350	2130	1960	1680	1470	1305	1175

No aphid, strawberry weevil, grubs or other injurious insects found on my premises. A clean certificate of inspection goes with every shipment. My plants are well fed, strong vigorous and healthy. Just the kind to build a solid foundation for a successful crop.

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