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Descriptive Strawberry Plant Catalogue

==OF==

2,000,000 Perdue's Best Quality
STRAWBERRY PLANTS

GROWN AT

Perdue's Strawberry Plant Farm

111 C. S. PERDUE, Proprietor
SHOWELL - MARYLAND

THERE IS MONEY IN GROWING STRAWBERRIES

For several years berry culture has proven to be among the very best money making propositions for the farmer, and the high prices that have prevailed has made the crop one of the greatest money making ventures ever known; several growers from a few acres realized enough to purchase small farms. One grower sold his field of about 7 acres for more than \$8,000, while another farmer got about \$7,000 from 5 acres. The largest part of the crop sold from \$7 to \$10 per 32 quart crate, and an average dearborn load of berries brought the grower from \$100 to \$150 per load, some wagon loads netting the grower \$200 to \$275 per load. One grower cleared nearly \$1,000 on a patch of one and one-quarter acres of Strawberries.

The Strawberry is a most profitable crop and I would advise all who can to get out some Strawberry plants as there will always be a good demand for all the high-class berries at high prices.

I have a list of 10 of the very best varieties. I grow only the very best varieties as I do not want to sell my customers varieties that are not profitable to raise. I grow the kind of berries listed in this cata-

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log for market and can therefore recommend them to my customers. I have about 2,000,000 Perdue's Best Quality Strawberry plants to offer the trade for the spring of 1921. The past season in this locality was ideal for producing large, healthy plants with excellent roots that are strictly first class in every respect and on account of my land being especially adapted to raising Strawberries and with an exceptionally favorable season for plant growing I am prepared to fill your orders promptly and satisfactorily with Best Quality plants. You cannot get better plants no matter where you get them. My prices are very reasonable, quality of stock considered, and are true to name, well cleaned and tied in bundles of 25 plants each and carefully packed so as to reach my customers in the very best of condition. I know my plants will please you. My motto is "Best quality plants at Lowest prices and prompt shipment to all of my customers."

May I have your order for Strawberry plants? My plant farm is located near Showell, Md., on the P. B. & W. railroad which gives me excellent shipping facilities to all shipping points in this country.

Very respectfully,

C. S. PERDUE.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PATRONS

Special Low Express Rates. I am able to send plants by express to any part of the country at 20 per cent. less than merchandise rates over each company. I have the American Railway Express Company.

Write Your Name And Address Plainly. Be particular to say how goods are to be shipped, whether by express or parcel post. No charge made for package and delivery to the R. R. Company.

Time of Shipment. I can ship to Southern customers during mild weather at any time after you receive this catalog, and I can usually ship to Northern customers until the first of May. Do not order plants during the summer months. I do not grow potted plants.

True to Name. While I exercise the greatest care to have every plant true to name, I will not be held responsible for any sum greater than the cost of the stock should any not prove as represented.

Showell, Maryland.

Claims, if any must be made on receipt of the goods. I cannot become responsible for misfortune caused by insects, droughts, floods, etc., also for stock that is allowed to lie around your station or postoffice or for neglect of purchaser to care for stock after it has been received. I send out only good stock in good condition and carefully packed.

Remit. By Post Office Money Order on Showell, Md., or Bank Draft, Check, or Registered Letter.

Order Early. Do not wait until you want the plants. All orders acknowledged as soon as received.

Terms. Cash with the order.

Reference. Calvin B. Taylor Banking Co., Berlin, Md., Postmaster, Showell, Md., Wm. E. Thomas, Rural Carrier, Showell, Md. Be sure to enclose stamp for reply when writing my references.

A Certificate of Inspection from our State Entomologist and State Pathologist will be attached to each and every shipment of stock.

DESCRIPTION OF VARIETIES

✓ **MISSIONARY.** (Early). A fine early variety that is proving very popular in some sections of the country. It is a strong grower making plants quite freely, early to mature coming in right after the extra-early varieties. The berries are large, firm and well colored and hold their size well throughout the season. It is very productive, a good shipper and a good all around early variety.

✓ **KLONDYKE.** (Early). A leading market berry and one of the standard early kinds. Plants very vigorous and healthy makes a good fruiting bed which bears a large crop of fine bright red berries; very firm, large size and always commands top prices on the market. I have a large stock of Klondyke plants. Send me your orders for them.

✓ **PARSONS' BEAUTY.** (Mid-season). A good variety being a strong grower of large, healthy plants that are quite vigorous and makes a fine

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fruiting bed. Bears a very large crop of fine berries of a bright red color, very firm, excellent flavor. I can recommend this as being the very best of the mid-season kinds. For profit plant Parsons' Beauty.

✓ **GANDY.** (Late to very late). One of the best known of the very late varieties and a standard kind that is extensively grown in this section of the country. A good plant maker. Berries are large in size, brilliant red in color and have a bright green cap. For profit plant Gandy. Note clipping from one of our local papers: "The first Gandys made their appearance on the markets in Berlin on Thursday and brought \$10.90 per crate."

✓ **SAMPLE P.** (Mid-season).. A good grower of large size plants and makes an excellent fruiting bed. The blossoms are imperfect and must be planted with some staminate variety such as Parsons' Beauty or Big Joe. Berries are very large size, delicious in flavor, bright red color and very productive.

✓ **BIG JOE (Mid-season to Late).**

The very best of all the Mid-season varieties, being a good grower of very large, healthy, vigorous plants that makes just enough plants for a good fruiting bed; makes more plants than Chesapeake and quality of berries is better, being exceptionally large size, bright red in color and delicious flavor. I can recommend it for home garden or for market, they are profit makers. I have a large stock of plants, send me your orders for Big Joe plants. Note clipping from one of our local papers: "W. H. Sims brought into the News' office on Tuesday a quart of the finest strawberries seen this season. The berries of the Big Joe variety averaged in circumference three inches. They were beautifully colored and exceedingly sweet. Mr. Sims expects to harvest 100 crates this season. The berries are selling readily at \$10.00 per crate."

✓ **SENATOR DUNLAP. (Mid-season).** An excellent variety that is adapted to many types of soil and does well in most all sections where

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grown. The plants are not as large as some other varieties but have good roots and makes a fine fruiting bed. A good one for the home garden. Berries are fair size, dark red color, delicious flavor.

NICK OHMER. (Mid-season).

One of the very best of the mid-season varieties. A good plant maker of vigorous and healthy plants which bear a good crop of really fancy berries that are bright red in color, very firm, large size and excellent flavor. Brings the highest market prices. For profit plant Nick Ohmer.

✓ **AROMA. (Late).** Very popular and the only late one grown in many parts of the great Strawberry growing sections of the country. A good plant maker. Berries are large size, very firm, bright red color and excellent flavor with handsome green caps which makes the fruit show up good in package.

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✓ **PROGRESSIVE. (Fall-Bearing).**

The very best of all the fall-bearing varieties leading them all on account of its good yielding qualities. They should be set out in good, rich soil and given good applications of manure and they will bear a few weeks after the plants are set and continue to bear until freezing weather. They are hoed, fertilized and cultivated just as the other varieties. It will pay you to plant Progressive everbearers and enjoy some of the best Strawberries you ever ate.

Dear Sir: Lehigh Co., Pa., April 17, 1920.

Received Strawberry plants in fine condition and many thanks for your promptness.

Mary O'Neil.

Rock Co., N. Y., April 27, 1920.

Dear Sir:

Plants received today in fine condition.
A nice lot of plants.

G. J. Snider.

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PRICE LIST

BY EXPRESS OR PARCEL POST—RECEIVER TO PAY CHARGES

Variety	100	250	500	1,000	5,000
Missionary	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$2.50	\$5.00	\$24.50
Aroma	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Gandy	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Klondyke	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Nick Ohmer	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Parsons'					
Beauty	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Sample (P)	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Sen. Dunlap	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Big Joe	1.00	1.50	2.50	5.00	24.50
Progressive	1.25	2.75	5.50	10.00	49.50
(Fall bearing)					

I can ship parcel post C. O. D. at above prices, receiver to pay parcel postage on receipt of plants, or

If plants are wanted by parcel post, prepaid, add to above price list.

First and Second Zones—15c per 100, 20c per 250, 30c per 500, 50c per 1,000, \$2.50 per 5,000 plants.

Third Zone—25c per 100, 45c per 250, 60c per 500, \$1 per 1,000, \$5 per 5,000 plants.

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Fourth Zone—35c per 100, 55c per 250, \$1 per 500, \$2 per 1,000, \$10 per 5,000 plants.

Fifth Zone—40c per 100, 75c per 250, \$1.50 per 500, \$3 per 1,000, \$15 per 5,000 plants.

All plants shipped by parcel post will be packed in baskets to insure them reaching customers in good condition. They will carry better than if wrapped in paper for shipment. It will be cheaper to have plants sent via express especially in lots of more than 1,000 plants in 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th zones. If requested, I will quote parcel postage on small lots of plants in 6th, 7th and 8th zones.

NOTE. Those marked (P) are pistillate and must be planted near some perfect flowered sort. The above prices are net. Please do not ask for any discount from above prices, the prices given per 1,000 or 5,000 or as the case may be are for that quantity of one variety and not for an assortment. To illustrate: I offer 5,000 Aroma plants for \$24.50, whereas if 5,000 plants of five different varieties are wanted, they must come under the 1,444 rate.

Customers trying to place orders for less than 5,000 plants of one variety at the reduced prices for 5,000 will find upon receipt of their plants that the quantity has been cut down to conform with the money sent.

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TESTIMONIALS

Lancaster Co., Pa., April 20, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The Strawberry plants arrived in fine condition and we are well pleased with the plants. The plants we received last spring are doing fine.

B. N. Greider.

Sarasota, Fla., May 29, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The Progressive Strawberry plants arrived today and I must say that I never saw such wonderful plants; so fresh that they looked as if they had not been out of the ground five minutes. It was the most generous bunch of plants I ever received, both as to size of plants and number of extras for good measure. I bought plants of you while in Virginia and they were very satisfactory. You may use this letter as a testimonial.

C. J. Hanford.

Allegany Co., Md., April 12, 1920.

Dear Sir:

I received Strawberry plants all O. K. Thanks for same.

Hanson Miller.

Susquehanna Co., Pa., May 3, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The plants arrived in fine condition and am well pleased with them. Four years ago I set a bed of plants from your place and it proved to be the most productive I ever grew.

J. W. Pickering.

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Westmoreland Co., Pa., April 20, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The plants arrived Saturday evening about 5.30 in best of condition. They are fine.

S. C. Lemmon.

Lancaster Co., Pa., April 28, 1920.

Dear Sir:

On April 21st I sent for 4,000 Strawberry plants and on the 24th they were brought to our door. I thought it could not be in so short a time. Thanks for the extras and also for nice, strong plants. If they do not grow it certainly is not your fault.

Henry W. Martin.

Cuyahoga Co., Ohio, April 26, 1920.

Dear Sir:

I received my plants today and they are in good condition. Am pleased with them.

M. L. Enishoff.

Ashtabula Co., Ohio, May 7, 1920.

Dear Sir:

Your plants arrived and are in fine condition. Thank you for prompt attention.

H. F. Dill.

Lewis Co., W. Va., May 3, 1920.

Dear Sir:

Today I received the Strawberry plants in good condition and they are the finest plants I ever saw. I can with all confidence advise my friends to buy Perdue's plants.

J. L. Hevener.

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Clearfield Co., Pa., May 12, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The Strawberry plants arrived O. K. and were nice. Thank you for promptness.

Isaac Bundy.

New London Co., Conn., April 28, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The 4,000 plants came by parcel post all O. K. They were large, healthy, strong plants—first class in every way and in fact the best I ever saw. Thanks for your prompt attention to my order.

Andrew C. Lathrop.

Maconpin Co., Ill., May 6, 1920.

Dear Sir:

I bought 1,000 plants from you two years ago and never saw plants do better, most all lived and the berries were fine. Your plants are much cheaper than in any other catalog I have seen this year.

W. J. Winslade.

Hilton, N. Y., July 6, 1920.

Dear Sir:

The 21,000 Parsons' Beauty I ordered of you in the spring are doing fine.

M. J. Randall.

Montgomery Co., Va., April 16, 1920.

Dear Sir:

Plants arrived in good condition.

Jas. L. Montague.

Certificate of Nursery Inspection.

To Whom it May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the 12th day of August, 1920, we examined the Nursery Stock of C S. PERDUE, growing in his nurseries at Showell, County of Worcester, State of Maryland, in accordance with the law of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 289, 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 yellows, Pear Blight, and other dangerously injurious pests and plant diseases.

This Certificate is valid after August 1st, 1921, 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.

Ernest N. Cory, State Entomologist.
C. E. Temple, State Pathologist.

College Park, Md., Sept. 9, 1920.

Date of Order 1921

C. S. PERDUE, Showell, Md.

Ship to (name)

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Express Office State

County Amt. enclosed \$

Ship by On or about
Mail or Express

Quantity	Variety of Plants	Price	
.....	<i>Aroma</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Big Joe</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Missionary</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Klondyke</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Nick Ohmer</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Gandy</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Parsons' Beauty</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Sample</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Senator Dunlap</i>	.....	.....
.....	<i>Progressive-Fallbearing</i>	.....	.....

NOTE—Early in the season I usually have in stock everything listed in this catalog but late in the season I frequently run short of some of the varieties, therefore, when you order late please state whether I shall substitute equally as good and as near like the variety as possible or return your money for any stock I may be out of. Answer.

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HOW I GROW STRAWBERRIES

I plow the land as early as weather conditions will permit after the first of March and mark out the rows $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet apart with a potato planter which makes a list slightly above the level of the land; the plants are set out in the rows about 12 to 15 inches apart. The important thing is to get your plants set with all the roots straight in the ground and soil packed firmly around the plant. I begin cultivation at once and keep plants clean of weeds and grass until late fall when I usually have a fine stand of plants. Do not use any commercial fertilizer on them until a few weeks after they are set out; I then make 2 or 3 applications at different times when plants are not wet from rain or dew by broadcasting about 500 pounds per acre of raw bone meal or any other good brand that does not contain any potash as it might injure the plants. Of course, I always grow cow peas on the land previous to planting strawberries as strawberries need a soil full of humus. Barnyard manure will also furnish the humus for them where cow peas are not grown. Most all strawberries are grown by the matted row system, that is to leave about all the runners on the parent plant to take root and make a wide row, leaving enough room in the alley between the rows for the convenience of the pickers.

BIG JOE—A wonderful money-maker.

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