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FALL 1913

CHILDS'
FALL BULBS
FALL PLANTS
FALL SEEDS

NEW SHRUBS
and FRUITS.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS

FLORAL PARK,

N. Y.

Schizanthus (Mock Orchid.)

Like Beautiful Orchids and blooms in about sixty days from seed. Foliage like exquisite Fern fronds.

Sixteen years ago we brought out the Schizanthus as a winter bloomer and strongly recommended it. The public has been slow in taking hold of it however, but at the International Flower Show held in New York last April nothing attracted more attention than some well grown plants of Schizanthus Grandiflora. It will now be the rage. Grandiflora is, however, out of date with us. Wisetonensis Hybrids being far superior in every way. More dwarf in growth, larger flowers and much better colors.

This exquisite new Fern-leaved annual has proved to be most elegant, novel and beautiful. Plants grow freely and the flowers appear in immense panicles and resemble some species of Orchids. The colors are beyond description. Each flower looks like a beautiful butterfly with spreading wings of delicate, varied and fantastic colors. Plants dwarf, compact and solid pyramids of bloom, and best of all easily grown from seed, commencing to bloom in about two months from the time of sowing. As pot plants for window culture during winter, they are in bloom for several months and are as easily raised as a weed, either in pots for winter or in the garden for summer display. There are colors without end in white, crimson, violet, rose, pinks, mottled, blended and deep velvety shades that fairly glow with richness.

Wisetonensis Hybrids—Dwarf, compact, long and profuse blooming, chiefly light colors. 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. 25c.

Linaria Excelsior.

The Most Exquisite Winter Bloomer.

This we brought out as a winter bloomer last year, and our word for it, there is nothing better. It is like a miniature Snapdragon. Not so heavy and bulky, but airy and graceful with exquisite blending of colors, white, yellow, orange, rose, pink, lilac, violet, crimson, etc. It blooms in 40 to 50 days from seed, and continues in perfection for 3 to 4 months. Has neat pretty foliage and delicate fragrance. Splendidly adapted to winter blooming in pots, and for the garden. Pkt., 10c.; 3 pkts., 25c.

Snapdragon (For winter blooming.)

Our Giant-Scented Snapdragon of 20 years ago has not been improved upon yet, except in new shades of color. They are most superb pot plants for winter.

Giant White—This new plant is a perpetual bloomer, compact and branching in habit, sending up flower spikes by the dozen, one to two feet in length, almost as large and more beautiful than Gladiolus. Color pure white, with lemon-tinted throat, and a lovely fragrance. Flowers keep two weeks after being cut. Pkt. 10c.

Dwarf Giant Flowered Mixed—A great range of lovely clear colors, with many rich dark velvety shades of crimson, maroon, etc. Perfectly magnificent for pots. Also grand for the garden. Pkt. 10c.

SPECIAL OFFER—One pkt. each of Schizanthus, Linaria and Giant Mixed Snapdragon for only 25c.

Our Great Surprise Collection.

Many Dollars Worth of Fine Select Bulbs for \$1.00.

WE are obliged to grow and import enormous stocks of all kinds of Plants and Bulbs, generally more than is necessary, to make sure of having enough. It is our custom after the heavy fall business is over, in November, to take this surplus stock of various good things, make it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer them to our customers, giving them four or five times the cost value. In fact, the "Surprise" is the great amount of fine things one gets for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until the 10th of November, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) by *Mail Postpaid*, or ONE DOLLAR and a HALF (\$1.50) by *Express Prepaid*, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. By express we can send very much more for the money than by mail. We advise our friends to invest one dollar or more in this Collection. We guarantee that they will be greatly pleased.

Address

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

POINTS TO OBSERVE--FALL, 1913.

DON'T BE FOOLED, into buying Fall bulbs of inferior size and quality. That is what the usual Catalogue mail order bulbs are, and they cannot be very satisfactory. Competition has made it so. We have never entered into such competition. We buy direct from the Holland growers, the largest, selected bulbs of the season's crop. We pay the highest prices, the most in freight and duty, and the most in express charges and postage, in delivering them to our customers and we fix our prices accordingly. We are not bent on making profit from our fall catalogue sales. This we have never done, aiming only to cover the seasons expenses which we sometimes fail to do. But our customers want fall bulbs and they are worthy of the best, and believe us, those who order from this catalogue will get only the best.

DUTCH BULBS are particularly good this year, but the large, heavy, extra select quality is scarce; second, third and medium qualities are abundant and cheap.

TULIPS, the glowing glory of spring, are a speciality with us. There are thousands of kinds, but the 107 varieties we offer in 16 different Classes leaves nothing to be desired. They are the best. Tulips are quite inexpensive, considering the large size and weight of the bulbs. (Such as we supply and deliver prepaid by mail or express) and one cannot plant too many of them.

HYACINTHS. We believe that our named Hyacinths are the very largest and finest bulbs that come to the United States, and the kinds we offer are the very cream of the most popular and magnificent sorts.

NARCISSUS. Our list is one of high class, inexpensive sorts that will surely please, and give much for their cost.

OXALIS. Our winter blooming Oxalis are all grown on our gardens at Pasadena, Cal. They are superb, especially the Grand Duchess, but should be planted as early as possible.

IRIS ALATA. Offered on inside back cover is a gem of great worth. This beautiful flower leads all bulbs for earliness, generally blooming from November to New Years. Don't overlook it, it is so cheap.

FLOWER SEEDS. For winter blooming we offer on page 44 and inside front cover, a selection of pretty annuals which make most exquisite pots of bloom during winter. Those who have not tried them have in store a genuine treat.

LILIES. Fall is the best time to plant Lilies and we are offering the finest and most showy sorts on pages 30 and 31, at very moderate prices. We grow many acres of Lilies and are headquarters for the best.

BOSTON FERNS. On page 48 we are offering 12 glorious Boston Ferns, mostly superb new sorts. They are the greatest of all decorative plants for windows, especially in winter. Nothing will prove more satisfactory than a good variety of these.

GRAPES. Look on page 57 and note our special offer in the three greatest standard Grapes; also the new one, CACO. This is the one Grape for everybody, for in hardiness, vigor, and especially in superb quality, it is a wonder.

OUR SURPRISE COLLECTION. Never before have imported such quantities of bulbs as we are getting from Holland and France this year, and never were the bulbs better. We may have liberal quantities left on hand to work off in Surprise Collections. Better order one.

FOOLS, FERTILIZERS AND INSECTICIDES. On pages 62 to 64 we are offering several wonderful garden tools, and the finest fertilizers and bug-killers known. Modern gardening requires these things to attain the greatest success.

THE FLOWERS MOST APPRECIATED

are those that come early in spring after a dreary winter. With what delight do we observe the first Crocus, Snowdrops, Glory-of-the-Snow and Scillas; then come the sweet Jonquils, exquisite Narcissus, brilliant Tulips and stately Hyacinths. These make our lawns and gardens as attractive and as interesting in March, April and May as in July and August. There is no getting away from the fact that these early blossoms are loved and cherished more than any other class of flowers. Why then do we not all plant a variety of them in fair abundance? When once put in the ground they are good for years without further trouble or expense.

To have them next spring in all their glory they MUST BE PLANTED THIS FALL. Make up your order at once before it is too long neglected and too late.

Childs' Floral Park Lawn Grass—Quick Growing, Dense and Velvety.

Not even fine trees and beautiful flowers add as much beauty to the home surroundings as does a fine, velvety lawn. To secure a fine, close, even sward, it is absolutely necessary to use proper grasses. Good, deep, rich color and turf, compact habit, stooling out well from the bottom, and they must be able to stand the sun well, and a considerably amount of drouth, without injury. We have a mixture of grasses that meets all these requirements. We use it as

Floral Park, where it has been much admired. We have sold it in every State and Territory in the United States, and it has given entire satisfaction in every location. It grows quickly, making a fine green sward in a few weeks. A whole season's drouth will not kill out this grass. It may dry and burn as brown as possible, but the first good rain will immediately bring it up green and velvety. Pint, 20c.; quart, 35c.; peck, \$2.00; per bushel, \$5.00, prepaid.

Our Catalogue of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants for 1914.

WILL make a large book, elegantly illustrated and with numerous colored plates, devoted to SEEDS, both flower and vegetable, all the best novelties and standard varieties; also BULBS and PLANTS, such as Summer-flowering Bulbs, Hardy Bulbs, Hardy Perennials, Window and Bedding Plants, Roses, Ornamental Shrubs, etc., and rare new Fruits of various kinds. We are the largest growers of Gladiolus, Cannas, Lilies, etc., in the world. This Great Catalogue will be sent free to all who apply. Customers will receive it without applying.

Address all orders, etc.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Floral Park, N. Y.

General Instructions About Ordering

WHAT WE DO.

We Take the Risk.—We guarantee that all money sent us shall reach us, if sent by Post Office or Express Company's Money Order, Bank Drafts, Bills or Coin by Registered Letters. We will not be responsible for coin sent in ordinary letters, or for postage stamps.

Free by Mail or Express.—We send Seeds, Bulbs and Plants FREE by MAIL, PARCEL POST or EXPRESS at the prices named in this Catalogue. This brings them to the very doors of our customers without trouble or expense. Of course we must have the privilege of sending either by mail or express as we deem best and cheapest.

When buyer asks that goods be sent only by express we do not prepay the charges, but larger and better plants, shrubs, etc., can be sent that way—and we add extras to help out in costs.

We Guarantee that every package we send out shall reach its destination in good condition, and that everything shall be received exactly as ordered. If a package is lost, or any of its contents injured on the way, we will send again. We cannot, however, be responsible for losses caused by detention by customs officials of foreign countries. We also guarantee everything true to name.

We Pack all Plants carefully in strong boxes, which assures their safe transit through the mails to the remotest parts of the country or abroad.

We Fill all orders as soon as received, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should so state.

To Canada, Mexico, Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Newfoundland, Great Britain, Germany, Japan, Philippines, most of the countries of South and Central America, and the West India Islands, we can send goods by parcel post, prepaid. In fact we can do this to nearly all foreign countries.

WHAT BUYERS SHOULD DO.

Forward Money with the order, and at our risk, when sent by Post-Office Money Order on Floral Park; greenbacks or coin, by Registered Letter; Bank Draft or express company's Money Order. Post Office Money Orders are the cheapest and the safest method for remitting. We earnestly request our patrons to remit by Money Order if possible.

Stamps and Coin.—Please do not send postage stamps in payment for goods if it can be avoided. Letters often get damp in transit, causing stamps when enclosed to stick together and to the order, frequently resulting in the destruction of both. We shall return such as come in bad order. Coin, when sent in letters should be sewed or pasted up in strong paper of cloth, to prevent its breaking through the envelope, which is often the case when enclosed loose. *We will not be responsible for Coin sent to us except in Registered Letter, nor for Stamps.*

Write Your Order plainly and distinctly by itself and not mixed up with anything else you may wish to say. Be sure to write your NAME and ADDRESS plainly.

Order Early.—We strive to fill all orders within a day or two after they reach us, but this is frequently made impossible by a great rush of business about planting time. Do not wait until you need your seeds and bulbs before ordering. Anticipate planting time and order early.

IMPORTANT.—It occasionally happens that an order is lost in coming to us, or the goods in going to the customer; therefore, if any who order do not hear from us within a reasonable length of time, they should send a duplicate order, naming the date on which the former one was sent and the amount of money enclosed, and in what form. This will enable us to investigate the matter and fill the duplicate order with despatch.

Valuable Premium Coupons Free With Orders

Recognizing the inclination of thrifty people to collect trading stamps, premium coupons, etc., wherever they purchase their goods, and the value they can secure for these, we have arranged to give J. L. C. Coupons with all the articles offered in this Catalogue (in addition to all other premiums and discounts) at the rate of a 5-coupon ticket for every 50c. worth of goods bought. These coupons entitle you to special premiums which are offered in all our Catalogues. For lists of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants which we give this season in exchange for J. L. C. Coupons, see below.

You must ask for these Coupons at the time you order if you desire them. Otherwise they will not be sent.

J. L. C. Coupon Premiums, Fall, 1913

The following list of Seeds, Bulbs and Plants are given as Premiums this fall in exchange for J. L. C. Coupons. Customers holding J. L. C. Coupons can name their choice, returning to us the proper number of Coupons for the articles selected, which will be sent free of all charge if accompanied by any order from any of our Catalogues. Otherwise send FIVE CENTS for each AND EVERY article selected to pay postage and packing.

Only articles named below (and those named in our last Spring Catalogue) will be exchanged for Coupons. *Don't forget to send 5c. for each article unless you are ordering.*

1 pkt. Schizanthus.....(Cover)	Sent for 10 coupons	1 Double Oxalis.....(Page 24)	Sent for 5 Coupons
1 " Linaria.....	" 5 "	6 Grand D. Oxalis.....	" 24 " 10 "
1 " Pansy Giant Exc.....Page 43	" 10 "	1 Giant Amaryllis.....	" 28 " 80 "
1 " Tufted.....	" 43 " 5 "	1 Halli.....	" 34 " 50 "
1 " Winter Bloomers.....	" 44 " 30 "	1 Lily Robusta.....	" 30 " 20 "
1 " Sak. Radish.....	" 39 " 5 "	12 Postal Cards.....	" 2 " 5 "
12 Grape Hyacinths.....	" 7 " 25 "	1 Sweet Orris.....	" 33 " 20 "
6 Miniature.....	" 7 " 40 "	1 Boston Fern.....	" 48 " 30 "
12 Tulips, Mixed.....	" 9 " 50 "	1 Felicia.....	" 49 " 30 "
12 Crocus.....	" 13 " 20 "	1 Resurrection Plant.....	" 49 " 10 "
1 Giant Odorous Lily.....	" 17 " 10 "	1 Hydrangea Snowball.....	" 55 " 50 "
1 Sacred Lily.....	" 18 " 40 "	1 Iris Alata.....(Cover)	" " 10 "
1 Ornithogalum.....	" 21 " 20 "	1 Pitcher Plant.....	" " 40 "
12 Iris Hispanica.....	" 22 " 25 "	1 Lace Fern.....	" " 25 "
12 Alliums.....	" 23 " 25 "	1 Surprise Collection.....	" " 100 "

12 Beautiful Colored Postal Cards of Floral Park for 5c.

Almost every child and many adults now make collections of **Souvenir Postal Cards**, which are both interesting and instructive. We have prepared 12 fine souvenir cards of Floral Park, showing all of the best views of our **Buildings, Park and Lawn Views, and Beds of Flowers**, including a **Fine Portrait of Mr. John Lewis Childs**, lithographed in 7 beautiful colors. These cards have been gotten up for the benefit of our customers who may wish them for their collections, or to send to friends, and we aim to supply them as nearly at cost price as possible. We send the 12 cards in a neat package by mail, postpaid, for only 5 cts.

HARDY OR HOLLAND BULBS.

HARDY, OR HOLLAND BULBS, are most deservedly popular. In the flower garden they have wrested two months of each year from Winter's stern grasp. Before the last snowdrift has melted, the Snowdrops, Scilla and Crocus appear, closely followed by a score of others that have made the name "Spring Flowers" synonymous with beauty and fragrance. Indoors they have won equal triumph. The place of honor once held by the tender Geranium and Begonia belongs now to the Hardy Bulbs, that, while enduring the most hardships and extremes, are at the same time the most beautiful, fragrant, and the most certain to bloom.

Culture in the Garden.

Bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

The many forms and rich and varied colors of the Tulip make this bulb one of the most important of all garden flowers for a gay and dazzling display. For delicate fragrance and refined beauty and grace, the Narcissus, with its great variety of form and charming colors, is always admired and is one of the most pleasing of all bulbous plants. Of Hyacinths we need not speak, for they are well known; their large round spikes of bloom in a garden or window lend a charm which no other plant can rival. No class of flowers are so easy to grow or surer to bloom than bulbs, and it is an established fact that they always surprise those who plant them by proving much better than one unacquainted with them can imagine.

For garden culture, bulbs do not require a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October or November. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering, the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden. Set them from one to six inches apart according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or other coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected, will do twice as good as those which were not.

Culture for Winter Blooming.

Bulbs are the most important winter bloomers for window culture. They are the easiest cared for of all flowers, and absolutely sure to bloom abundantly. Geraniums or Roses may, from some cause, fail, but bulbs never. Nothing is more pleasing or cheerful during a dreary winter than a few pots filled with Hyacinths, Tulips, Crocus, Narcissus, etc., displaying their brilliant colors and emitting their delightful fragrance for weeks. Add to these the many new bulbs which are now being cultivated for winter flowers, and at a very little trouble or expense a display of winter flowers can be produced which will be the center of attraction in any neighborhood. Freesias, Ixias, Tritelleia, Alliums, Scillas, Chionodoxa, etc., are comparatively new, and beautiful beyond description.

The following is a list of the most desirable bulbs for winter blooming, being of the easiest culture, and sure to produce the most satisfactory results.

Hyacinths,	Crocus,	Anemones,
Scillas,	Iris,	Lily of the Valley,
Lilium Harrisii,	Lilium Candidum,	Freesias,
Calla,	Chionodoxa,	Tulips,
Narcissus,	Snowdrops,	Allium,
Oxalis,	Ixias,	Sparaxis,
Tritelleia,	Fritillarias,	Ornithogalum,
Sacred Lily,	Jonquils,	Ranunculus.

Their culture is simple. They can be potted during September, October, or November, watered well and set away in a cellar or any cool dark place to make roots, when after remaining four or six weeks, or as much longer as desired, they can be brought out for blooming. We earnestly advise potting the bulbs as early as possible, especially if flowers are desired as early as New Year's, for the longer time they have to make roots the better they will bloom. By bringing out a few pots at different times a succession of bloom can be kept up all winter. If they are kept in a cool place while in bloom, the flowers will keep perfect a long time. For the benefit of those who desire more explicit cultural directions, we give it here in detail.

SOIL—The variety of soil is not a very important item in bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer, but if we had a variety to choose from we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix it with a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the bulb to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

TIME TO PLANT—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the results, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the bulb.

AFTER PLANTING—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place to make roots. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm, dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom. They should, however, be brought out when vigorous top growth sets in.

BLOOMING—When brought from the cellar or storeroom the pots or bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

TREATMENT AFTER BLOOMING—After the bulbs are through blooming, if one has the room or convenience, it is best to let them remain in the pots where they are for a few weeks to mature their bulbs. They can then be set away in the cellar and allowed to dry out, in which condition they can remain until planting time—the following September. They can then be taken out and planted in the open ground.

Childs' Select Hyacinths.

Beyond doubt, the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom would alone insure popularity, but it has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long lists of Holland growers we have chosen the *very cream* of all varieties either for pot or garden culture.

FIFTEEN BEST SINGLE HYACINTHS.

These are the finest sorts for pots or gardens, and the bulbs offered are every one a selected large size that will give magnificent results.

Enchantress—Pale porcelain, tinted lilac, white center. Very fine spike.

Grand Maitre—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome blush-white bells. Few so fine as this.

Gertrude—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, running to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.

Gigantea—Thick spike and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.

Johan—Light blue or French gray. Extra large and fine in every respect.

King of the Blues—An enormous, compact spike of bloom, of deep indigo blue color. One of the finest.

La Franchise—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of bluish-white blossoms, turning afterwards to snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance, measuring two inches across.

La Grandesse—Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy-white.

L'Innocence—Pure white, extra large truss. Magnificent variety in all respects.

Moreno—Beautiful pink, very large and extra early.

Mammoth—Gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small Lily. Color, white, delicately shaded blush. Most superb.

Obelisque—A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike compact, while the color is the very best yellow.

Pieneman—A magnificent sort with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.

Queen of the Blues—Enormous spikes; one of the very largest. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.

Roi des Belges—Fine, massive spikes, crowded with flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest Hyacinth.

Price, 20c. each; any 3 for 50c.; the 15 for \$2.25.

CULTURE—This is one of the simplest, either for pots or open ground. See page 3 for general directions. The only special precautions necessary are (1) to give Hyacinths in pots a long enough sojourn in the dark to make good roots, and (2) on bringing them to the light to avoid placing double or heavy-spiked sorts in the direct sunlight at first, as this causes the buds to unfold so rapidly that the topmost ones of the spike get wedged in the neck of the bulb and can never develop.

FIFTEEN BEST DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

Grand select bulbs, grown especially for winter blooming, for which purpose each variety here offered is a real gem. Please remember that these bulbs are extra large and strong.

Bouquettendre—Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose-color.

Bouquet Royal—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.

Grootvorst—Compact truss, large and very double bells of blush-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.

Gerick—Beautiful blue, fine large bells.

Isabella—Fine large spike, florets of perfect form; color, soft blush-lilac, delicate and pretty.

Koh-i-noor—Fine compact spike of great size and magnificent colors, being a deep dark red of a peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.

La Virginiate—Spikes of tubular bells: soft blush-white.

La Tour d'Auvergne—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Finest double Hyacinths for pots.

Lord Wellington—Exquisite rose. Very early. Extra large spike and bells.

Noble par Merite—Fine, compact spikes of large, double flowers, as perfect as little Roses. A soft shell-pink gradually deepening into a deep peach-carmine.

Othello—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.

Prince of Orange—Extra large and magnificent spike. Color, fine rosy crimson.

Prince of Waterloo—Pure white with rosy pink center. Very pretty.

Sunflower—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.

Van Speyk—Extra large truss and bells. Lovely light or sky-blue.

Price, 20c. each; any 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.75.

Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of dainty poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole plant appears a mass of blooms. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. The bulbs can be planted in a 4-inch pot; or 3 bulbs in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large.

Single White—Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white with which it forms a fine contrast.

Single Canary Yellow—Extra fine straw color. Beautifully-shaped bells in airy, graceful spikes, in color a soft, pleasing, canary-yellow.

Single Red—Very fine and pleasing color.

Double Light Pink—The double Roman Hyacinths are larger than the single sorts. This sort has elegant waxy bells of a pale shell-pink.

Double Dark Pink—Like the above, but a beautiful, clear, bright rose. Spikes long and heavy for this class.

Double Blue—Very good and a fine color.

PRICE—10c. each, any 3 for 25c.; the 7 for 50c.; any sort 60c. per dozen.

Mixed Roman Hyacinths—All colors, 50c. per dozen; \$3.75 per 100.

Mixed Hyacinths. (Dutch.)

Our mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs, which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Single Mixed, all Colors, extra fine	65	\$4 00
Double Mixed, all Colors, extra fine	65	\$4 00
Double and Single Mixed, extra fine	65	\$4 00
Pompon Mixed, all Colors, double and single 50		\$3 00
Roman Mixed, all Colors	50	\$3 75

Mixed Named Hyacinths Under Color.

Single White	Double White
" Red	" Red
" Pink	" Pink
" Blue	" Blue
" Yellow	" Yellow

8c. each; the 10 for 75c.; or either color 75c.; per dozen, \$4.50 per 100.

HYACINTH, MARECHAL NIEL.—FROM A PHOTOGRAPH.

Three Remarkable Hyacinths.

The three following new Hyacinths bloomed with us for the first time last winter, and they show such remarkable beauty and characteristics that we cannot too strongly recommend them to our customers. They are the three grandest sorts we ever offered.

William I—(Black.) A grand single Hyacinth with enormous compact spikes of bloom, which is of an indigo black color. Its odd and striking color makes it peculiarly conspicuous, and it is indeed a rare and glorious plant when in bloom. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

Marechal Niel—A glorious Hyacinth, as double as a rose and of a charming soft pink color. A prodigious bloomer, each bulb throwing up as many as 12 spikes. A pot of 3 bulbs tested by us last winter showed 36 spikes in bloom at one time. On this account it is certainly one of the most remarkable and satisfactory of all sorts. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

Lord Mayo—A most remarkable Hyacinth on account of its odd color. The large flowers are brownish purple with a large pure white center, making it a most conspicuous and showy variety. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

The 3 sorts for 70c

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

These bulbs are extra large and fine, selected particularly for winter blooming, and will give great results for pot culture. It includes above 40 varieties, double and single. 4 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$2.00.

Cockade Hyacinths.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length, appears above the soil and, as it slowly rises on its long stalk, it becomes five or six times as long as at first, developing into a long, feathery, blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. One of those pretty, odd things that everybody likes. Perfectly hardy in the garden and fine for pots. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Hyacinthus Belgicus.

This resembles the Grape Hyacinth more than any other, yet it is very distinct, its spikes being much longer and looser and the bells wider and longer in every way. It is also equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths.

MIXED COLOR—15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.

Pompon Hyacinths.

Also Called Dutch Romans and Miniature Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs and as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbed class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are the best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single. 60c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100; \$25.00 per 1000.

Grape Hyacinths.

One of the sweetest flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intensest blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for buttonhole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets or cut flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in mid-winter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two or more flower stalks.

Sky Blue—Most fairy-like.

Indigo Blue—Tipped white.

Snow White—Milky white.

Mixed Sorts.

15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$ each of 3 sorts, 15c.

POMPON OR DUTCH ROMAN HYACINTHS.

CHILDS' GORGEOUS TULIPS.

There is no question but that the Tulip is the most popular spring flower that grows. The soft, seductive breezes have scarce whispered in our ears that spring is at hand ere our eyes, wearied by winter's dull, sombre, lifeless tints, are dazzled by a sudden blaze of Tulips in rainbow shades, ribboning the earth with warmth and color. From the first Duc Van Thol, scarce peeping above the ground, to the last Gesneriana Tulip, holding its flaming cup high aloft, there is a constant succession of Tulip beauties—single, double, dwarf, tall, early, medium and late, with blossoms cup-shaped, star-formed, bowl-like, Peony-flowered, imbricated like a Rose, twisted, waved and horned, like the plumage of some fantastic bird. No garden can be complete without plenty of Tulips. Have some of all kinds, they are so cheap. Our Tulips are all select large bulbs that will be sure to give magnificent results. Try a good lot of them.

Grand Double Tulips.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Peony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

TEN VERY FINE EARLY SORTS.

- Alba Maxima**—Enormous flowers, perfectly double, like a Peony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.
- Blanc Border**—Rich plum-purple with pure white border. Extra.
- Count de Leicester**—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange feathered yellow.
- Le Blason**—Beautiful rosy-blush. Perfectly exquisite.
- Ma Cousine**—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine-violet, edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.
- Murillo**—Large, graceful flowers of flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.
- Rex Rubrorum**—Large double flowers of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.
- Rose Blanche**—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.
- Rose La Reine**—Finest cherry rose. Lovely.
- Yellow Rose**—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price, 3c. each; the 10 for 25c.; or 25c. dozen.

TEN EXTRA FINE EARLY TULIPS.

- Double Crown**—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red, with black shading. One of the best.
- Duke of York**—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white.
- Gloria Solus**—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.
- La Candeur**—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.
- Lady Palmerston**—Fine rosy-scarlet. A lovely color.
- La Grandesse**—Fine dark rose. Immense flower.

- Queen Victoria**—Blood-red. Very double.
- Salvator Rose**—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.
- Tournesol Golden**—Golden yellow feathered orange. Grand in every way.
- Titian**—Buff, bordered yellow.

Price, 5c. each; the 10 for 40c.; or 35c. dozen.

TALL DOUBLE LATE TULIPS.

- These flower later, but are borne on very long graceful stems, like great Peonies.
- Blue Flag**—Late. Flowers beautiful shape; a distinct color of purplish-blue.
- Cate Brule**—Beautiful brown.
- Mariage de Ma Fille**—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Carmine-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.
- Overwinner**—Blue and white, finely striped and spotted.
- Peony Gold**—Red and gold striped.
- Rose Eclatante**—Very fine rich bronze red. A rare color.
- Salamander**—Fine yellow spotted.

5c. each; the 7 for 25c.; 40c. per dozen.

MIXED TULIPS.

Our mixed Tulips are of extra fine quality, being made up from first-class named sorts and much superior to the ordinary grades. All extra large bulbs.

	Per doz.	Per 100.	Per 1000.
Double Fine Mixed —All colors..	25	\$1 50	\$12 00
Single Fine Mixed —All colors...	20	1 25	10 00
Parrot Fine Mixed —All colors..	20	1 25	11 00
Byblooms and Bizards Mixed ..	20	1 25	11 00
Duc Van Thol, Fine Mixed	20	1 25	11 00
Darwin, Fine Mixed —Grand....	30	1 75	15 00
Variegated Foliage, Mixed	35	2 00	18 00
Rembrandt —All colors	40	3 00	28 00
Mayflowering —100 kinds.....	30	2 00	18 00
Breeders —All sorts.....	30	2 00	18 00

Best Early Single Tulips.

The Single Tulips are great for bedding and for winter blooming in pots. The following are the very best kinds.

TEN VERY FINE SORTS.

Cardinal's Hat—Rich blood-scarlet; gold tinted border.

Chrysolora—Very large flower and widely opened. Color, a splendid golden-yellow.

Cottage Maid or La Precieuse—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, one of the loveliest Tulips for pots or the garden.

Duchess of Parma—Extra large, early and gloriously colored. Orange-yellow, shading to terra cotta, with fiery yellow and brown shading. Bright.

King of Yellows—Magnificent golden yellow. Early and extra fine.

L'Immaculee—Beautiful snow-white with lemon eye.

Miltiades—Large, elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white, exquisitely shaded and clouded pink.

Purple Crown—Cup-shaped flower maroon-cardinal.

Princess Marianne—White shaded rosy-blush. Extra large and fine.

White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.

Price, 3c. each; the 10 for 25c.; 25c. per dozen.

TEN EXTRA FINE SORTS.

Color de Cardinal—Large cup-shaped, rich cardinal-red.

Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flowers of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.

Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep, rich red and pure snow-white, the colors mingled and blended together in a most charming manner. One of the largest.

Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet, glowing like fire. Extra.

Ophir d'Or—Extra large and fine golden yellow.

Pink Beauty—A lovely combination of cherry-red, rose and white.

Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy-violet, a shade not found in any other sort, and lovely beyond description. Great size, beautifully cupped.

Silver Standard—Beautiful shaped flowers of a fresh carmine-scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.

Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, beautifully cupped, scarlet-red. Extra early and fine in every way.

Von der Neer—A splendid large flower of a rare and lovely bright violet-color. Very distinct.

Price, 4c. each; the 10 for 35c.; or 35c. per doz.

The above 20 sorts for only 55c.

- 1 L'IMMACULEE
- 2 LA PRECIEUSE
- 3 MILTIADES
- 4 SILVER STANDARD
- 5 KAISER KROON
- 6 CHRYSOLORA
- 7 COLOR DE CARDINAL.

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FINE MIXED SINGLE TULIPS.

Extra Fine Mixed Single Tulips, 20c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100; \$10 per 1000. All extra large bulbs.

Duc Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture, and the first of all to bloom out of doors. In habit they are very dwarf, and somewhat smaller flowered than other Tulips. They are noted however, for the depth and purity of their colors, and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden.

Crimson—Fine for contrast.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped with gold.

Rose—White, shaded with clear rose.

Scarlet—Most brilliant, dazzling scarlet.

Violet—Earliest of all.

White—A fine pure color.

Yellow—Brilliant yellow. A fine bedder.

5c. each; 50c. per dozen.

One Bulb each of the 7 sorts, 30c.; 3 of each for 75c.

DOUBLE—These are popular for house culture, as they are so certain to bloom, and so early and fine. No other double Tulips are as well adapted to pot culture. A pot of these Tulips are very brilliant, and being double remain perfect a long time. Pot them in sandy soil with good drainage.

Red and Yellow—A showy, bright flower of deep red and yellow.

Violet Crimson—A new sort, fine violet-red.

5c. each; 3 of each for 25c.; 40c. per dozen.

Mixed Duc Van Thol—All sorts 20c. per dozen: \$1.25 per 100.

Sweet-Scented Tulips.

A new class of Tulips, with a charming fragrance, as well as beauty and brilliancy. Customers will be delighted with them either for pots or garden.

Didieri Alba—Pure white.

Florentina—Lovely yellow.

Very sweet.

Ida—Deep yellow, large, like an enormous Tea Rose.

Lion d' Orange—Exquisite rich terra cotta.

Macrospila—brilliant-red.

Sweet Nancy—Exquisite delicate pink.

5c. each; the 6 for 25c.; 40c. per dozen.

Parrot Tulips.

A flower more bizarre, fantastic, or gorgeous, would be hard to find. They are six, seven and eight inches across, with petals toothed, horned, twisted and waved, now loosely incurved, now spread flatly out like a star. Some are yellow, some are crimson, or again dashed, flaked or feathered with green, gold or scarlet. Fine to plant among shrubbery, or for bedding. They grow ten inches in height, and bloom just after the double Tulips. Our Parrot Tulips are extra large bulbs sure to bloom. Medium sized bulbs will not bloom well.

Constantinople—Fine deep crimson.

Cramoise Brilliant—Deep, dark, rich ruby-crimson, with large star-shaped black center, 9 inches across.

Gloriosa—Yellow, splashed and striped crimson and green.

Lutea Major—Fine yellow.

Perfecta—Gaily striped, yellow and red.

Price, 4c. each; the 5 for 15c.; 30c. per dozen.

Fine Mixed Parrot Tulips All varieties. Doz. 20c.; 100 \$1.25.

Darwin Tulips.

A new race of Tulips which produce solid self colors. The flowers are of great size, like Gesneriana, and are borne on tall graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple-blues to coal-black. Darwins are the most stately class of Tulips. A bed of them producing an effect which for rich splendor is not surpassed by any other flower.

Allard—Dark brown.

Clara Butt—Appleblossom.

Glow—Fiery scarlet.

May Queen—Bright pink.

Marconi—Violet, white center.

The Sultan—Velvety black.

White Queen—Pure white.

5c. each; the 7 for 30c.; 50c. per dozen.

**"PICOTEE"
TULIPS.**

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REMBRANDT TULIPS.

New Rembrandt Tulips.

These are the latest fad in Tulips. They belong to the Darwin race but all flowers are striped and variegated with various colors, white, brown, black, pink, rose, purple, yellow, orange, crimson, etc., are blended in the blossoms in a marvelous way. They are not only odd but most striking in their effects, tall, graceful and large. There are many named sorts but the following are the best and most distinct.

Apollo—Rosy-lilac and white, striped dark carmine.

Caracolla—Fiery scarlet and white.

Procles—Violet flamed white and black.

Red Prince—Rose flamed fiery scarlet.

Semele—White and pink featherings.

Sirene—Deep maroon flamed white.

Zenobia—White suffused purple-rose and striped maroon.

10c. each; the 7 for 50c.; 12 for 80c.

Mixed Rembrandts—4 different sorts, 50c. per dozen; \$4.00 per 100.

Variegated Foliage Tulips.

These Tulips are doubly desirable in that the foliage as well as the blossoms are very handsome. The broad green leaves are elegantly bordered or striped with white or creamy-yellow, which sets off the brilliancy of the blossoms to great advantage. Many colors both double and single mixed. 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.; 100 for \$2.00.

**VARIEGATED FOLIAGE
TULIP.**

Picotee Tulips.

These are to our mind the most exquisite of all. Flowers very large, and borne on tall, graceful stems. Each petal has a distinct border of bright crimson, which is most beautiful, and gives them the name of "Picotee."

Picotee White—Pure white with a fine border of crimson.

Golden Crown—Golden yellow with crimson edge.

Picotee Rose—Rose heliotrope margined yellow.

PRICE—5c. each; 1 each of the 3 for 10c.; 3 each 25c.; or 30c. per dozen.

GESNERIANA.

BYBLOOMS.

Tulipa Gesneriana.

The grandest Tulip in existence. Tall growing and late blooming, with large long leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre back-ground as with a torch.

Spathula Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana, as described above.

Lutea—Fine golden-yellow.

Queen Emma—Pink, white center.

Maxima—Fine large red.

Rosa Lind—Fine rose color.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c.; 35c. per dozen.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more generally grown, for their large, cup-like blossoms feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Byblooms have white, light or violet grounds flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple, violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown. We offer a fine mixture of every imaginable color and marking.

Byblooms and Bizards—Mixed. All elegantly feathered and variegated. 6 for 15c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.25.

Tulipa Greigi.

Its large, green leaves are variegated with black spots, flowers of the largest size, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

Mayflowering Tulips.

A very popular class of large, tall growing, late blooming Tulips. They come along after most others have faded, and prolong the Tulip season considerable. They are very stately and imposing, and always greatly admired.

Beauty of America—Delicate pink and creamy-white.

Fairy Queen—Exquisite heliotrope color; rare.

Billietiana—Yellow flaked scarlet.

La Merveille—Scarlet shaded orange.

Retroflexa—Clear yellow; petals beautifully recurved.

Rose Pompon—Semi-double, creamy-white flushed rose.

Shandon Bells—Carmine rose shaded white.

5c. each; the 7 for 30c.; 40c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

Mixed—60 sorts, 30c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100.

Breeder Tulips.

Another distinct class of late or Mayflowering Tulips, which send up flower stems 2 to 3 feet high, and bear a flower of enormous size and odd color.

Bronze Queen—Soft buff, tinged golden bronze.

Genl. Ney—Old gold with olive base.

Godet Parfait—Bright violet with white base. Very large.

Goliath—Deep salmon-violet. Immense flower.

La Singuliere—Silvery white, heavily margined dark crimson.

Mahogany—A unique brilliant mahogany brown. Very fine.

Roses des Dames—Dark rosy pink.

5c. each; the 7 for 30c.; 40c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

Mixed Breeders—More than 100 sorts. 30c. per dozen. \$2.00 per 100.

Tulipa Persica.

A rare and curious variety. A bulb will send up one stem, on which is borne two or three blossoms. These blossoms are golden yellow in color, and open out flat, being when so opened, perfectly star-shaped. Very pretty and interesting. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.

Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lulls of late winter's tempests its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or flurries of snow. For six weeks its bright flowers smile saucily at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely. The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of bloom and variety of colorings. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. They come in earliest spring, and peep through the grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadow.

Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine select bulbs. 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100; \$4.00 per 1000.

GIANT FLOWERED CROCUS.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs either for winter-blooming or for garden planting.

Mammoth White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms

Mammoth Yellow—Large golden blossoms in great masses.

Giant Striped—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet, on white ground.

Dandy—Blue, white edge.

Othello—Dark purplish black.

Purpurea Grandiflora—Largest and finest blue.

PRICE—15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; 3 of each for 25c.

Giant Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window or moderate temperature. 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$7.50 per 1000.

Giant Yellow Crocus.

OR FORTY-FLOWERED.

It is astonishing the amount of blooms a single bulb of this Crocus will furnish. The handsome flowers are very large and brilliant, and a row of them is a wave of gold. Not another flower of its season makes such a display of brightness or becomes such a complete mass of bloom. More than forty blooms have been counted from a single bulb. Bulbs are about the size of a tulip and bloom extra early. The most satisfactory Crocus grown, owing to its enormous size, bright color and abundant bloom. 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.; 100 for \$2.00.

The Narcissus--Spring's Golden Glory.

The Narcissus is fast becoming a rival to the Hyacinth and Tulip. The massive spikes of the one and the vivid colors of the other are missing, but the Narcissus—the Daffodil of the poets—has charms of its own to counter-balance these. For cutting or wearing it is the best of the three, being by far the best vase flower of the spring. Most of the garden sorts are particularly showy in masses, and do not require frequent re-setting to keep in vigor and flower, needing no care, in fact, beyond the planting. Others of this family are among our best pot bulbs, their clustered stars and stately trumpets of white and cream, lemon, orange and yellow, giving variety, fragrance and warmth of color to our window gardens. In pots they may be had in bloom from Christmas until April. Out of doors, from the earliest to the latest, they last fully two months. Our collection is a particularly choice one and true to name. We offer our bulbs at a low price to encourage extensive planting. Try a few bulbs, both for the house and garden. They will prove so beautiful and increase so rapidly you will feel doubly repaid for your outlay. They can be grouped along the border of shrubberies, or at the foot of rockeries, or under trees. Everyone should have early, medium and late sorts, as well as some of each of different types.

Superb Mixed Narcissus.

We offer the various classes of Narcissus in mixtures—not a few cheap varieties thrown together, but a wide range of the best standard sorts, and large fine bulbs that will every one bloom splendidly next spring, and forever after. When once planted Narcissus to a large extent take care of themselves, flowering finely and increasing in numbers year after year.

SINGLE MIXED.

More than 30 fine varieties. All colors, forms and sizes. Large bulbs, 30c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$18.00 per 1000.

DOUBLE MIXED.

A fine assortment, and all extra large bulbs. 30c. per dozen; \$2.25 per 100.

POETICUS MIXED.

All sorts. Splendid for massing and for naturalizing. 25c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$18.00 per 1000.

POLYANTHUS MIXED.

More than 20 of the leading named sorts. All fine bulbs. 60c. per dozen; \$4.00 per 100.

WINTER BLOOMING.

A special mixture for pot culture. All extra fine sorts. 60c. per dozen.

TEN FINE SINGLE NARCISSUS.

The rare and most beautiful Single Narcissus can now be offered at a low price, and the following sorts are exceptionally good. In fact the very best Narcissus grown.

Ard Righ—Fine yellow trumpet. Extra.

Henry Irving—A perfect flower, rich yellow.

Mrs. Langtry—Perianth white, broad white cup, with primrose edge. Very fine.

Princeps—Elegant large trumpets of a delicate canary-yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. Very early.

Incomparabilis Simplex—The old golden Daffodil.

Maximus—Distinct golden trumpet; extra large.

Horsefieldi—Enormous yellow trumpet, white perianth.

Stella—White and yellow.

Van Sion—Golden yellow. Very early for forcing.

Leedsii Elegans—Splendid white and sulphur.

5c. each; any 5 for 20c.; or 40c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

SEVEN EXTRA FINE SINGLE NARCISSUS.

These are all extra fine sorts of high quality. Nothing better. All extra select large bulbs.

Cyclamen Flowered—Drooping, pure white.

Emperor—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.

Empress—Possesses the same gigantic size and form of the Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet.

Moschatus Albus—Very light delicate, sulphur-white. Very near a pure white. Extra fine.

Sir Watkins—A gigantic flower, 4 to 5 inches across, with broad-wing-like petals that shade from canary-yellow at the tips to golden-yellow base.

Victoria—(Double Crowned)—A most superb sort especially for winter blooming in pots. Bulbs are very large, strong and with double crowns, thereby producing twice the usual number of flowers. Color, perianth white, trumpet, deep yellow, and very large. No finer Narcissus than this. Extra large double crowned bulbs.

Golden Spur—(Double Crowned)—Flowers $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 inches across, and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpets, deeply frilled and furrowed. Large double crowned bulbs that will throw several flowers like Victoria.

10c. each; the 7 for 50c.; or 75c. per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

DOUBLE NARCISSUS.

Double Narcissus are very attractive on account of their large, perfectly formed blossoms, long keeping qualities and early blooming. The fine, harmonious colors of white, lemon, orange, sulphur, straw, primrose, are exquisite.

Golden Phoenix—Bright golden yellow.

Sulphur Crown—Sulphur white.

Albo Pleno Odorato—A pure white flower of medium size, but very double. Late.

Incomparable—(Aurantia)—Medium early. Large, handsome flowers as double as a rose. Bright canary, interspersed with orange center petals.

Orange Phoenix—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange petals.

Van Sion—Old but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting. Single star-like petals and long, double trumpet, filled with beautiful crimped petals; golden yellow.

PRICE of above finest Double sorts. 5c. each; the 6 for 25c. any variety at 40c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

Double Mixed—All sorts, 30c. per dozen; \$2.40 per 100.

NARCISSUS CORBULATA.

A rarely beautiful flower, both for winter blooming in the house or for the garden. Three to six bulbs can be planted in an ordinary pot and will produce a charming lot of flowers during February and March. Each bulb bears 3 or 4 flowers at a time. Blossoms are very beautiful and fragrant. In the garden they are hardy and bloom early in the spring.

Golden Yellow—Rich and beautiful.

Citrinum—Lovely citron yellow.

Clusi—Pure white. New and exquisite.

PRICE 6c. each; the 3 for 15c.; 3 of each for 40c.

NARCISSUS POETICUS.

Well known and loved by all. Exquisite garden flowers yet equally valuable for winter blooming in pots, of which Ornatus is the grandest. Try them.

Poeticus, Pure White—With scarlet-edged crown.

Poeticus, Ornatus—Fine for garden or pots. Blooms three weeks earlier and is larger and finer.

Poeticus, Poetorum—Pure white with orange scarlet cup.

Poeticus, Burbudgi—Large pure white with red center.

Barri—(Yellow Poeticus)—Broad perianth, primrose yellow edged orange scarlet.

Poeticus, fl. pl. Double—The charming double Poeticus. Pure white with Jasmine fragrance.

5c. each; the 6 for 20c.; 30c. per dozen; \$2.40 per 100.

Mixed Poeticus—All sorts. 25c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$18.00 per 1000.

Jonquils.

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely blossoms appear almost as soon as Crocus.

Single—Very dainty pure gold and exquisite fragrance.

Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets.

Campanelli—Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retaining the same beautiful color and handsome shape, together with profusion of bloom. Its fragrance is lovely beyond description.

Tenuior—Sulphur yellow.

3c. each; the 4 for 10c.; 30c. per dozen.

MIXED SORTS—20c. per dozen; \$1.25 per 100.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

The Gem of Winter Flowers.

They are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossom.

Bazelma Major—Extra large white, fine and rare.

Grand Soleil d'Or—This has every possible merit, without a

fault. A medium early bloomer that lasts a full month in flower. Large clusters of exceedingly pretty flowers of a clear lemon with deep orange cup. Very fragrant. **Grootvorst**—White with lemon cup. Very pretty and of good size. No variety possesses a richer fragrance.

Lord Canning—Extra fine, of a deep or dark yellow color:

the petals being a little lighter in shade than the cup. **Queen of Netherland**—Very early and extra large and fine.

Pure white; exquisite fragrance.

Bathurst—Fine pale yellow, delicate and beautiful.

Newton—Fine yellow with deep orange cup. Extra free bloomer and early.

PRICE—8c. each; the 7 for 50c. Any variety at 75c. per dozen.

Mixed Sorts—By all means take a dozen or more mixed bulbs. The named sorts offered above are undoubtedly the best sorts grown, yet for variety we would recommend this mixture, which is exceptionally good. 20 to 30 sorts. 60c. per dozen; \$4.00 per 100.

GIANT
ODOROUS
JONQUIL.

Giant Odorous Lily.

(Often Called Golden Sacred Lily.)

Each bulb produces several spikes of bloom, and thrives in soil, sand, or pebbles and water. Bulbs bloom very quickly after planting and may always be had for Christmas and New Year's, or even earlier. No winter flower is more beautiful, fragrant, or easier grown. May be had in flower at any time all winter, stands freezing, and is sure to do well in any window. Three or four should be planted in a 5-inch pot, or a bowl of pebbles and water. It is also perfectly hardy and may be planted in the garden, where it will bloom in spring, almost as early as the Crocus, and make a most beautiful show. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Extra Mixed Winter-Blooming Narcissus

A choice selection of the largest and finest early sorts, suitable for winter-blooming in pots. It is a magnificent mixture of extra fine varieties that will be superb. 5 for 30c.; 60c. per dozen; \$4.00 per 100.

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MIXED WINTER-BLOOMING NARCISSUS.

CHINESE
SACRED
LILY

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Sacred Lily, Imperial Chinese.

The greatest and most popular winter-blooming bulbs. Bulbs large and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy-white blossoms with yellow center, and a powerful and a delicate fragrance, which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill in with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in three weeks. We advise planting this variety; it will be much better than the common and cheaper one. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

PAPER
WHITE
GRANDIFLORA

Two Grand Narcissus.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. Realizing their importance, we have, by special contract, secured from France a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of EXTRA SIZE AND STRENGTH, especially for pot culture, and the amount and beauty of bloom from these fine bulbs will be far greater than from ordinary ones.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flower being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer, and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's. One of the very best of winter-blooming bulbs. Large select bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

Double Roman—This is grown so extensively in Palestine and Turkey that it is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center and borne in large cluster. Its fragrance is superb, and it blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer. Large, select bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

1 of each for 15c.; 3 of each for 40c.; 100 Bulbs for \$4.00.

New Hybrid Narcissus, "Poetaz."

A grand new Hybrid of Poeticus and Polyanthus, bearing large beautiful flowers like Poeticus in clusters like Polyanthus, with a more intense and delicious perfume than either. It is perfectly fine for winter blooming in pots. Also hardy in the garden. Color, white with yellow edge. Large bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

DOUBLE
ROMAN

Double Persian Ranunculus.

Their long, wiry stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals, blooming, as they do, so freely, and bridging over the gap between the Tulips and the early garden flowers. For this purpose plant them three or four inches apart and two inches deep, with the claws downwards. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, blue and variegated, each about two inches in diameter and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose. Always choose a sheltered location. For house culture, plant five or six bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as Hyacinths. They are charming winter bloomers.

Mont Blanc—Large and double; pure white.

Fire Ball—Fine double scarlet.

Apollo—Magnificent yellow.

Queen of Netherland—Large, double black; odd and superb.

Belladonna—Rose, black edge.

Rockolico—Fine spotted; new and fine.

Robinson—Fine, pure rose; extra.

PRICE—5c. each; the 7 for 20c.; 25c. per dozen.

Giant French Mixed—50 different colors; magnificent. 10c. per dozen; 80c. per 100.

now come for Anemones to be grown extensively.

Blue Gem (Single)—Fine blue.

The Bride (Single)—Extra pure white.

Scarlet Perfection (Single)—Intense scarlet.

Ceres (Double)—Extra fine double, white.

King of Scarlets (Double)—Bright scarlet.

King of Blues (Double)—Dark blue, extra.

PRICE—1c. each; 3 for 10c.; the 6 for 20c.; 30c. per doz.

Double Mixed—All colors, 15c. per dozen; 90c. per 100.

Single Mixed—All colors, 15c. per dozen; 90c. per 100.

St. Bridge Mixed (Semi-Double)—A new and very fine strain, with large showy blossoms in great variety. 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering bulbs, which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed and succeed best if left in the same pot year after year without removing or disturbing. The time has

CHIONODOXA.

Glory of the Snow.

(CHIONODOXA.)

Once to see this floral gem is always to want it. Resembling somewhat *Scilla Siberica*, it yet differs from it, and has a charm peculiarly its own. The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last forays, and become literally Glories in the Snow. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the *Chionodoxas* succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Like all small bulbs, several should be planted in the same pot as they appear best in masses.

Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they increase rapidly and soon form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of blue flowers in dainty sprays just long enough for cutting or to wear. They are natives of high mountain regions, and perfectly hardy in the coldest parts of the country. Plant two inches deep.

Lucillae—Lovely azure blue, with large pure white center; very beautiful.

Sardensis—Dark blue with small white and pink center.

Gigantea—Very large size; fine light blue with white eye. 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100; \$8.00 per 1000.

SPECIAL OFFER—3 each of the 3 sorts, 15c; 12 of each for 50c.

SCILLA
SIBERICA.

Scilla Glusii.

Unlike any other bulb. Stately habit, with luxuriant recurving strap-leaved foliage, surmounted by an enormous pyramidal corymb of starry flowers. It is one of the most striking flowers one can have, and very easy to grow. In the house it blooms by mid-winter, or a little after; in the garden it blooms in late spring. For bedding, plant about ten inches apart each way. In pots use a five or six inch size for a single bulb.

Coerulea—Fine deep blue.

Alba—Pure white.

Lutea—Fine yellow.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

Scilla Siberica.

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edged of winter, and laughs at storms and sleets. Beautiful little spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced, and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in groups, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.

Winter Aconite.

This appears just after the single Snowdrop. Its large, glossy, yellow flowers, set in a close cup of leafy green, are wondrous cheerful in the dull spring landscape, when even the grass is still brown, and the Tulips and Hyacinths yet underground. The Winter Aconite can be flowered in a cool room, used as edging for other bulb beds, planted under the edge of evergreens, or naturalized under trees, or around rock work. It increases rapidly, and must become a general favorite. 3 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

In magnificence there is nothing like this among winter blooming bulbs or plants. It is a native of Arabia. Bulbs large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow; flower spikes 18 to 24 inches high, strong and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large pearly-white flowers, having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance, and we have a winter bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four inch pot, or several in a larger pot or box. Pot in September, October or November. They can even be kept and planted as late as February first. For open ground culture they do well if protected from freezing severely. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c.

Ornithogalum Umbellatum.

The good old Star of Bethlehem, of our grandmothers' gardens. Altogether different from Arabicum. It soon forms mats of narrow, silver-striped foliage, dotted in early summer with a profusion of dainty-white stars. Makes a neat edging for herbaceous borders, and is perfectly hardy. It can be grown in pots also. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 15c.

Onithogalum Aureum.

A great acquisition, being a pure golden yellow variety of great beauty. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Camassia Esculenta.

A beautiful bulbous plant, with tall spikes of fine blue flowers in late spring. Several can be planted in a pot together for winter blooming, and will make a fine display. In the garden they increase rapidly, and soon show great masses of their star-like flowers. Fine to cut for vases or large bouquets. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Bulbocodium Vernum.

A very early spring flower that is closely allied to the Crocus, and requires the same treatment, either in pots or open ground. Each bulb produces a mass of pretty purple-tinged flowers. Fine for edging. Blooms very early. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blows, and of such iron-clad hardness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Exceedingly graceful and pretty, its nodding white flowers touched with green. Snowdrops bloom a few days before the Crocus and Siberian Scilla, but last until these are nearly gone. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of the Scilla. Much used also for planting through the grass on the lawn, and for skirting woodland walks and drives.

Snowdrops, Double—White and fragrant. Very double. 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for \$1.50.

Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—As we now, March 20th, sit at our desk with a dainty little bunch of this Snowdrop before us, picked from a large bed of it on the lawn, we can fully realize what a gem it is. The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any other flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common Snowdrop, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. For winter blooming it is just superb, its large, snowy flowers appearing in profusion, and showing great beauty and airy grace. We have secured several hundred thousand fine bulbs direct from Smyrna, and offer it extremely low. 5 for 10c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00; 1000 for \$7.50.

Crown Imperial.

This magnificent bulb of gigantic size breaks ground with the Crocus, and the strong flower-stems at once attract attention. They grow so rapidly that in a few days they stand three feet high, crowned with a tuft of elegant foliage and a half dozen large, bell-shaped, drooping flowers. These blossoms are as large and as beautiful as Lilies. A grand bulb for early blooming.

Single Red—Large and early.	Per dozen, \$2.00.....	20
Single Yellow—Clear and fine.	Per dozen, \$2.00.....	20
Crown upon Crown—Fine. (Single).....		25
Gold Striped—Fine. (Single).....		25
Double Red—Rare and fine.....		75
Double Yellow—Rare and fine.....		75

1 each of the 4 Single sorts for \$1.00; the 2 Double sorts for \$1.25.

Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and are remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted to a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months, and need no fussing with to succeed. One of the most charming fairy-like white flowers for winter. Price, 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen. 75c. per 100.

Iris Hispanica.

Magnificent plants for the garden. They bloom profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors are brilliant and cover a large range of different shades and combinations. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise our customers to plant them largely.

White—Large and pure in color.	
Deep Blue—A splendid deep, rich color.	
Azure Blue—Exquisite sky-blue.	
Golden Yellow—A rich deep color.	
Lemon Yellow—A beautiful, soft lemon shade.	
Black—Deep rich and glossy. Very odd.	
Blue and White—Colors beautifully mingled and inter-mixed.	

Price of above only 2½c. each (2 for 5c.), the 7 for 15c. 3 of each for 35c.; 12 of each for \$1.25, or separately, 20c. per dozen.

Mixed Xiphium or Hispanica Seedlings—Striped, variegated and self colors. More than fifty different shades, all of exquisite beauty. 10c. per dozen; 30 for 20c.; 100 for 60c.

Iris Anglica.

Large strong growers with very large and fine blossoms a little later than Hispanica. There are many colors and they are all immensely showy and satisfactory.

Conquerant—Fine violet.
Chas. Dickens—Light blue.
Mont Blanc—Extra fine pure white.
Nimrod—Purple-black.
Othello—Dark blue.

5c. each; the 5 for 20c.; 30c. per dozen.

Mixed 30 Kinds—20c. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100.

3 Very Rare and Fine Iris.

Atropurpurea (The Black Iris)—

Very large and beautifully shaped flowers of a deep black color, silky texture and lustre. One of the finest novelties in years, its rare and fine color making it particularly attractive.

Histroides—A lovely combination of colors. Deep and pale blue with blotches and mottlings of white and yellow and tints of various shades. Perfectly exquisite flower and one possessing a perfume which for richness and peculiar delicacy is not excelled by any other flower.

Susiana—Perhaps the most beautiful Iris in the world. Delicate straw-colored ground, blotched with crimson, brown and black, and with thin blue veins. It is impossible to give any idea of its beauty.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.; \$1.50 per doz.

Allium Neapolitanum.

Indispensable, its pearly-white blossoms lasting so long, and its long stems and airy grace fitting it for all cut-flower work. Sure to bloom and daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors in a sheltered location, but indoors is one of the easiest of bulbs to grow. Three or four bulbs can be placed in a 4-inch pot. Stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of starry flowers that remain perfect for a month or more. We offer very large, selected bulbs that will produce a wonderful amount of bloom. 5c. each; 8 for 10c.; 7 for 20c.; 12 for 30c.

Snowflake.

The airy poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.50.

Fritillaria Meleagris.

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty and they are really among the most desirable of all fall bulbs for any purpose. They are superb for flowering in pots during winter, and for early spring blooming in the garden. The large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly and distinctly checked. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen; \$1.50 per 100.

FRITILLARIA.

SPARAXIS

Ixias.

The Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open ground culture give them winter protection, with leaves or straw. Mixed, all colors, 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen; 75c. per 100.

Sparaxis.

The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired or bloom better than a pot of these fascinating Sparaxis. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 75c. per 100.

TRITONIA.

WATSONIA

Tritonia Crocata.

The most brilliant winter-flowering bulb in cultivation. Treated like a Freesia it produces spikes of large, well opened flowers of the most intense cardinal color. It is very easily grown and sure to bloom in pots during winter, and is hardy enough to bloom in the open ground south of Mass. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.

Watsonia.

The Watsonias grow and flower in immense tall spikes like Gladiolus but their colors are more telling in the depth and exquisiteness of their tints. Hardy only in the Southern and Pacific States. North and East must be grown in pots like Amaryllis. Few flowers are more magnificent, none save Orchids so telling in tints and colors.

O'Brien, White—Whitest and purest of all flowers.
O'Brien, Pink—Most delicate and superb.

15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

NEW
DOUBLE
ROSEBUD
OXALIS

New Double Rosebud Oxalis.

This is perfectly magnificent and always comes absolutely true. No single flowers, all being large and as double and as perfect as good roses. Color, bright yellow, the individual blossoms being the size of a half-dollar, and borne in clusters of 4 to 10. It is one of the most magnificent blooming bulbs ever offered, plant being dwarf and compact and admirably adapted to pot culture, blooming profusely all winter. The finest Oxalis we have ever had. Fine bulbs, 3 for 10c.; 12 for 30c.

OXALIS BERMUDA BUTTERCUP.

Superb Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming in pots. They begin to flower in two to four weeks after planting, producing a mass of flowers all winter which in brilliant and beautiful colors are truly charming. They ALWAYS give universal satisfaction. Plant five or six in a 6-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are large, sound and fine, all grown at our California garden.

Giant Cut-Leaved-Elegant foliage and flowers of enormous size and glowing yellow. It is a superb winter bloomer.

Versicolor—Beautiful, with an abundance of large pearly-white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a charming combination.

Giant Bowl—Extra large deep brilliant red flowers and large luxuriant, clover-like foliage. Very handsome.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine robust growing, large flowering sort. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter without a break.

Price, above 4 sorts 10c. per dozen; 6 of each 20c.

GRAND DUCHESS OXALIS.

Entirely new and one of the most beautiful and pleasing winter flowers it is possible to have. Blossoms immense, 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink, white and lavender color; leaves large, clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter-blooming bulbs.

Pink—Enormous size, bright rosy-pink.
White—Pure white. A grand contrast to the above.
Lavender—A fine large flower of a unique lavender color.

10c. per dozen; 6 of each 15c.; 60c. per 100.

MIXED OXALIS.

Including all kinds offered on this page and many more. 15c. per dozen; 75c. per 100.

SPECIAL OFFER—30 Oxalis for 25c.

as follows: 15 Grand Duchess Mixed, 3 Bermuda Buttercup, 3 Versicolor, 3 Giant Cut-leaved, 3 Bowl, and 3 Double Rosebud. A superb collection of all kinds for only 25c.

Freessias.

A new class of bulbs, splendidly adapted to winter-blooming in the window. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of blooms in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a 6-inch pot. They commence growing immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

Purity—One of the very finest of recent Bulb Novelties. Flowers of enormous size, with thick, heavy, waxy petals

that last nearly two weeks, even when cut. Flowers pure snow white save one tiny yellow spot in throat, and of wonderfully beautiful shape, petals being large, rounded and well open. Unlike all other Freesias. Grand for winter-blooming in pots. Large bulbs, 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.; 100 for \$2.25.

Mixed Grandiflora—A grand strain possessing many tints, colors and variegations. Not only are the white and yellow colors seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades. The flowers are gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed. 6 for 15c.; 12 for 25c.; 100 for \$1.50.

Good Mixed—15c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100. All fine bulbs.

NEW PINK FREESIA.

Flowers deep crimson pink, on long and graceful spikes which branch freely. Very distinct and beautiful. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.

CALLA CHILDSIANA.

New Callas (Ethiopica.)

Our new varieties of Calla Ethiopica are really marvels. The gigantic size of Giantissima, and the great blooming qualities of Childsiana place these two new sorts far in advance of all others.

Childsiana—The latest floral sensation of Holland, where this wonderful new Calla was originated and named. Exceedingly dwarf and very compact: as many as a dozen flowers are to be seen on one plant at a time. These flowers are of good size, beautiful shape and snowy white. It is a long way in advance of all other Callas, having such an ideal habit and fine flowers in wonderful profusion every day in the year. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Dwarf Everblooming "Fragrans"—The plants are of medium size, compact in growth, and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower, but also a sweet fragrance. Does not grow tall and scraggy like the old variety, is strong and compact, with a great abundance of dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots. 30c. each.

Little Gem Præcox—A new European Calla, which created a sensation on account of its dwarf, compact habit, and profusion of large blossoms. It produces many flowers at once, which are of great size and snowy whiteness, and borne on plants that are exceedingly small. 20c. each.

White Lady—The latest Calla Novelty. Flowers beautiful in form and freely borne. Plant compact and symmetrical in growth. Quite distinct and very fine. 20c. each.

The Black Calla.

Among recent bulb introductions we doubt if there has, in several years, been anything brought out which is so eminently distinct as this. It is a bulb which has come to stay and find its way rapidly into every collection of winter flowers. We say winter flowers, as it is strictly a winter bloomer and will bloom at no other time. Its flowers are enormous, fully a foot in length; color, clear coal-black, so intense that it really shows a brilliancy, and as may well be imagined, it is a flower of most striking oddity and beauty. The bulbs are large, and should be potted in the fall, and when growth commences set in a window. After blooming the foliage will die down, and the bulbs should be kept dry for planting again next fall. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Giantissima—Most superb of all Callas. Leaves two feet long, and flowers a foot in length, three times larger than any other Calla. It is a strong, quick grower, but requires a large pot and a little time to bring it to perfection. Foliage very dark green. Flowers snowy white and open unusually flat and broad. We have had single plants showing 10 or more of these magnificent blossoms at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Special Offer—One each of these 5 new Callas for \$1.00.

L. L. Giganteum, now used for pot culture almost exclusively, as it is a larger, hardier and more satisfactory plant than the old *L. L. Harrisi*.

TWO GRAND LILIES For Winter.

One of the grandest of all decorative plants is a tall snow-white Lily. It is the consummation of dignity and beauty, grace and purity. As the symbol of the resurrection and heaven-born purity, tens of thousands are used each year in Easter decorations. We offer here a special selection of gigantic sized bulbs that will grow into stately plants crowned with dozens of waxen Lilies, whose snowy chalice breathe forth sweetest incense. A grander ornament for greenhouse, window or chancel cannot be obtained. They can be planted at any time in the fall, and by procuring several bulbs and planting at three-week intervals, from September until November, a glorious display of Lilies will be obtained throughout the late winter and spring. Plant them in deep pots, the top of the bulb two inches below the rim. Both can also be planted in the garden for spring blooming.

New Harrisi Lily—(*L. Long. Giganteum*)—This has taken the place of the old Harrisi or Bermuda Easter Lily which has run out and become unreliable. A strong vigorous grower with 6 to 12 enormous blooms to each bulb. Magnificent pure white, trumpet-shaped flowers of great beauty and fragrance; as a winter bloomer nothing can surpass it. The big bulbs we offer of this will produce plants bearing great numbers of immense waxen snow-white trumpets. Enormous bulbs, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00; 12 for \$3.50. Bulbs of ordinary size, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.75.

Candidum—(THE MADONNA OR ANNUNCIATION LILY)—As fragrant and spotlessly pure as the Harrisi, but with broad, widely-opened flowers, instead of the reflexed, trumpet form of the latter. Tall and stately growing and a sure bloomer. No flower has a more superb fragrance than this. Bulbs of enormous size, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 12 for \$2.25. Bulbs of ordinary size, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 12 for \$1.50.

SPECIAL OFFER—1 big Bulb of each for 50 cts.; 3 of each or \$1.35. 1 smaller bulb of each for 30c.; 3 of each for 80c.

Lily-of-the-Valley.

We offer strong imported pips of this lovely flower which have been grown especially for winter blooming. They can be potted, six in a four-inch pot, and placed in a cool place till needed for blooming, then bring them out to the light and warmth, and give plenty of water. They will at once send up their beautiful green leaves and sprays of lovely white sweet-scented blossoms.

Early Russian—Best for pots, 6 for 25c.; 15 for 50c.; or \$3.50 per 100.

New Giant—A new giant flowering Lily-of-the-Valley, which is perfectly magnificent and best adapted to garden culture. When established in masses it is grand and blossoms better and better each year. 6 for 30c.; 15 for 60c.; or \$4.00 per 100.

Imported Lily-of-the-Valley roots are not received from Europe until November, and all orders will be booked for filling as soon as they are in.

BABIANNA
"EDITH"

BURBANK'S
GIANT HYBRID
AMARYLLIS.

New Amaryllis.

At special low prices this fall.

The Amaryllis is the acknowledged Queen of all bulbous flowers—and Burbank's Giants are marvels in beauty.

Burbank's Giant—This new race of Amaryllis produces a bulb of enormous size and strength which throws up broad, healthy foliage, and stout flower scapes, each producing blossoms of truly gigantic size. The flowers are often a foot or more across, larger than the Auratum Lily, and with colors, which for purity and intensity are truly marvels. Their great superiority over all other Amaryllis is acknowledged.

Mixed Colors—All shades. Large bulbs. \$1.00 each. \$10.00 per dozen.

Vittata Hybrids—Large flowers, fine colors and profuse flowering. Many of them bloom several times a year. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.

Johnsoni—A grand old sort, always popular. Flowers large and very beautiful, deep red, striped white. 40c. each.

Psittacinum—Broad, well-opened flowers of great substance. Red, with white and green stripes. \$1.00 each.

Solandriaeflora—Magnificent large perfect blossoms, of many fine colors, variegated. \$1.00 each.

Hovey Giant—An immense flower of white and crimson variegation. One of the grandest. 75c. each.

Babianas.

Closely allied to Ixias and require the same treatment. Magnificent spikes of bloom equalled only by Gladiolus. Exquisite colors, especially in blues. Do not miss them.

Fine Mixed Babianas—3 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.

Edith—Ultramarine blue; perfectly exquisite. This is sometimes called the blue Freesia, but in size of flower and spike and general beauty it is finer than any Freesia, Ixia or Sparaxis. Blooms very early and is fine for pots in winter as well as for the garden. 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.

Hardy Lilies, Iris and Paeonies.

We grow some 30 acres of Lilies, Iris and Paeonies by far the largest stock of any one grower in the world, and can supply the choicest, home-grown, vigorous healthy Bulbs and Roots at exceptionally low prices. Fall is the best time to plant these and we hope our customers will give them due consideration.

GENERAL EFFECT OF A GOOD PAEONY BORDER.

Paeonias.

The favorite of to-day, as it was fifty years ago. Luxuriant foliage plant, with magnificent double incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring.

- Achille**—Fine large bloom, healthy grower, profuse bloomer. Opens light flesh colored pink, finishing bluish white, with an occasional creamy spot.
- Chas. Livique**—Delicate rose, extra fine.
- Couronne D'Or**—Immense, very full imbricated ball-shaped blooms; color snowy with yellowish reflex with light carmine edges on a few center petals.
- Duchess de Nemours**—Very fine cup-shaped blooms, sulphur white with greenish reflex; fine bud.
- Festiva**—Blooms of the largest size, double to the center; pure white with three or four spots of crimson near the center. A gem of the first water; dwarf grower.
- Festiva Maxima**—Enormous full double bloom, petals very broad, color pure white with an occasional carmine spot, vigorous grower. One of the best white Paeonias.
- Floral Treasure**—Clear pink, very double, fragrant.
- Fragrans**—Bright rose, very free late bloomer.
- Golden Harvest**—Blush white and canary yellow; extra.
- Glorie de Douai**—Purplish scarlet crimson with black.
- Humei**—Immense bloom, carmine pink, very late.
- Lady L. Bramwell**—Soft silvery pink.
- La Tulipe**—Very large globular flower, flesh pink, shading to ivory-white, few of the center petals tipped crimson, quite fragrant, stems long and strong. Vigorous grower.
- Madame Coste**—Grand petals, soft pink, tufted center, tinted glossy sulphur-white; extra.
- Madame Lebon**—Very large bloom in clusters, very full, broad petals bright cherry pink, very brilliant, intermixed with narrow salmon petals, silvery reflex. Late.
- Madam Ducl**—Very large, globular, extra full bloom, of perfect shape, salmon pink.
- Officinalis Rubra Plena**—Brilliant crimson, very early.
- Rosea Superba**—Large convex blooms, very full, soft pink.
- Rubra Triumphans**—Earliest brilliant crimson, very large bloom, brilliant yellow stamens. One of the best.
- Triomphe Du Nord**—Violeaceous pink; enormous bloom.

PRICE—Above 20 finest Paeonies 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Old Early Scarlet Paeony.

This is the glorious old variety of our grand mothers. (*Officinalis Rubra Plena*) which we all remember with so much pleasure. Nothing finer. Blooms very early. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Paeonia Tenuifolia.

Fine-cut, fern-like foliage of exquisite beauty, and blooms in May. Weeks earlier than any other. Color, rich fiery scarlet, and as double and perfect as a rose. An extremely rare plant of fascinating beauty. Fine roots, ready to bloom. 60c. each; 2 for \$1.00.

Mixed Paeonias for Borders. Special Offer.

Nothing makes a more stately or magnificent border than mixed Paeonias of all colors. Having a large stock of fine roots of fine sorts on hand we offer a mixture for border planting at the low price of \$1.25 per dozen; \$10.00 per 100.

Hardy Lilies.

The brush cannot paint or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the very hardiest, handsomest, and in every respect the best.

Auratum—(THE GOLDEN BANDED LILY)—Ivory-white, spotted crimson, and a broad golden band through center of each petal. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$9.00 per 100.

Batemanni—Rich apricot. Very handsome. 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Canadense—A fine bell-shaped flower, light orange yellow, spotted. 10c. each; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per 100.

Canadense Rubrum—Rich dark red, spotted. 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Croceum—Fine orange-red. 10c. each. Dozen \$1.00.

Longiflorum—Long trumpets of the purest white. Flowers large, but plants quite low in growth. Very fragrant. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen; \$7.00 per 100.

LILIIUM HANSONI.

Superbum—Three to six feet high, flowers from five to forty, nodding; brilliant orange-red. 10c. each; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per 100.

Hansonii—A very rare and fine Lily. Blooms extra early, the flowers appearing in large clusters. Color rich yellow with a few black dots. This is one of the very rarest and finest Lilies known, and we now have such a large stock of it that we can offer it very low. 30c. each; \$3.00 per dozen.

Pardalinum—(LEOPARD LILY)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily, and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it. 10c. each; \$1.00 per dozen.

Tigrinum, fl. pl.—This is a plant of stately habit, growing 4 to 6 feet high, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black. 10c. each; 6 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$6.00.

Tigrinum Splendens—Improved Tiger Lily. 5c. each; 50c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

Wallacei—Very floriferous, each bulb throwing up 4 to 5 flower stems, each one bearing 3 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms, of a bright apricot color. Perfect in form and most desirable. 10c. each; \$1.00 per doz; \$6.00 per 100.

Umbellatum—One of the very best, blooming in June with large, perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red, through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many finely spotted. 25 sorts mixed. 10c. each; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per 100.

LILIIUM
ELEGANS

Lilium Elegans Robusta, EARLY FLOWERING

Superb for winter blooming or for the garden. We have determined to offer this showy, attractive and earliest of all lilies at a nominal price, that all may test its merits as a pot plant for winter blooming and for early garden display. It begins blooming here by June first, several weeks earlier than any other Lily. It is hardy, robust and showy, succeeding anywhere. Potted in fall it is sure to bloom abundantly in any window during winter. Flowers very large, wide open, orange-salmon flamed crimson and richly spotted chocolate. Strong bulbs 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 10 for 60c.

Grand Speciosum Lilies.

These are the hardiest, and most robust and free flowering of all Lilies. Also among the most beautiful and showy.

Rubrum—Deep rose, freely spotted crimson, and mottled white; perfectly exquisite.

Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded, and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered red.

Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white with a tinge of blush at top of petal.

Monstrosum Album—Broad, flat stems, and immense head of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow-white.

Above 4 sorts, 15c. each; the 4 for 50c.; \$1.25 per doz.; \$10. per 100.

L. HENRYI. The New Yellow Speciosum.

The new Yellow Speciosum. New and exceedingly rare, tall, strong grower, producing flowers in great profusion often as many as 50 on one stem. Of a fine apricot-yellow color. This yellow Speciosum is a glorious new thing. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Lilium Elegans.

Grand, large tulip-shaped blossoms of many shades and colors. The umbels of upright cup-like flowers are very pleasing. Among the earliest of all Lilies to bloom, and good for pots and for forcing. Very hardy, healthy and robust in all situations.

Bicolor—A very showy early Lily. Large flowers of a bright red flushed with orange. Striking. 10c. each.

Leonard Jeorg—Light yellow, spotted black, grand. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Painted Chief—Very brilliant flame color. 15c. each.

Midnight—Very dark, almost black. 40c. each.

Citrinum—Light lemon. Very clear and fine color, 25c. each.

Quilp—A very bright, varied and beautiful combination of colors. 30c. each.

Sanguineum—A very rich dark red. 10c.

Horsfieldi—Tall and stately, with many flowers. Deep crimson. 30c.

One each of the 8 sorts \$1.50.

Lilium Tenuifolium.

The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 to 30 inches high, with finely cut foliage, splendid stems and beautiful shaped flowers of a shining coral-red. One ought to grow them by the dozen they are so fine for cutting. Blooms very early, and fine for forcing in pots during winter. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00; \$7.00 per 100.

DOUBLE IRIS KÄMPFERI, FLOWERING IN OUR FIELDS.

Finest Iris Kämpferi.

These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Peony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion and surpass almost every plant in the size and kingly magnificence of flowers. A plant will send up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight to ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a life time without further care, blooming profusely in June or July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can contain.

Mahogany—Very large flower, deep mahogany.

Gold Sound—Tall and showy with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white with large gold-banded center.

Oriole—Rich plum, marked yellow.

Apollo—White, pink center.

Lavender Queen—Fine lavender blue.

Pyramid—Tall and showy, flowers very large; light violet-blue with slight white veins.

Above double sorts 20c. each; the 6 for \$1.00; \$1.75 per dozen; \$12.00 per 100.

Ondine—Immense single white.

Airship—Immense single blue.

25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

FINE MIXED IRIS KÄMPFERI.

More than 40 finest sorts, double and single. 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$6.00.

Hemerocallis.

Splendid new sorts of great beauty, hardiness and free flowering.

Florham—A strong grower 3 to 3½ feet high, large trumpet-shaped flowers; rich golden-yellow, with Indian-yellow markings; June and July.

Flava (Yellow Day Lily)—The best known variety, very fragrant, deep lemon-yellow flowers in June and July.

Gold Dust—Of a bright Indian-yellow color, buds and reverse of petals bronzy gold; 2½ feet high; May and June.

Middendorff—The earliest to bloom; flowers bell-shaped rich chrome-yellow; 2 feet; early in May.

Dumortier—Bright orange. Very profuse.

25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00; \$2.00 per dozen.

New Giant Iris.

Pallida Dalmatica—With wide, massive foliage, and immense flower stalks rising 3 to 4 feet high, each with 8 to 12 magnificent blossoms, Pallida Dalmatica may well be called a King among Iris. In stately magnificence it is supreme, and as yet quite new and unknown. The color of its great blossoms is pure sky blue. We now have a large stock and can offer strong roots. 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

Pallida Albert Victor—Extra large, rich blue, in tall clusters. 30c. each; \$3.00 per dozen.

The Sweet Orris.

One of the most delicate perfumes known is that of the Orris root. High class Oriental toilet powders and sachet perfumes are made largely from the root of this plant, which when dried and ground makes a fine and lasting substance for imparting delicious odors. The dried roots may be used in many ways for perfuming chiffoniers or trunks of clothing. The plant is of the Iris family with great handsome white blossoms, which emit the same delicate perfume as the roots, and are objects of great beauty in any garden. Perfectly hardy and blooms abundantly each year. Strong roots, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$7.00.

NEW BLUE SWEET ORRIS.

Deep navy blue; very large and very sweet, makes a fine contrast with the white. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Best Dwarf German Iris.

These are all dwarf, compact growers and great bloomers. A striking flower of crepe-like texture and most exquisite coloring, the gauzy veining reminding one of the delicate tracing of the butterfly's wing. We grow acres of Iris, and know you can find no finer varieties than the mixture here offered. They bloom in May and June, when there is a dearth of really fine flowers, and once planted are good for a lifetime, increasing every year.

Fine Mixed German Iris—A lovely collection of all colors, 12 for 50c.; 100 for \$3.00.

Innocence—White.

Velveteen—Rich velvety purple blue.

Gipsy—Mauve, lavender and blue.

Ciceron—Yellow, marked maroon.

Roi des Belges—Light blue.

Mrs. H. Darwin—White, penciled rich purple blue.

Nectecta—Light and deep blue.

15c. each; the 7 for 75c.; \$1.00 per dozen; \$6.00 per 100.

Mad. Chereau, the Lace Fringed Iris—Tall and stately, pure white edged or fringed azure blue; falls with blue penciling. 15c. each; \$1.00 per dozen.

Perennial Phlox.

These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost the individual florets are twice the size of the old-time Phlox and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer.

Pyramidal White—A plant of stately compact growth, bearing enormous panicles of snow-white blossoms.

Pyramidal Crimson—Like the above, with same great blossoms but of brightest crimson color. The two sorts contrast finely. They bloom all summer long and are equal to Hydrangeas in majestic beauty.

Pyramidal Oculata—White, large crimson eye. Showy.

Lavender—Delicate lavender; white center.

Rose—Large; bright rose.

Blush—Blush tinted; extra large and fine.

Wine Red—Splendid deep, rich wine red color.

Striped—White and crimson; beautiful.

Giant White Branching—This new Giant White Branching Phlox is in many respects the finest of all. The flowers are large, pure white and borne in large pyramidal panicles; the plant stooing freely and branching well.

Snowy Dwarf—Plant very small and compact, with large bunches of gigantic snow white blossoms. The most novel, striking and beautiful of all Phloxes.

Price, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; or \$1.00 per dozen.

Dicentra Spectabilis.

The glorious old Bleeding-Heart. Exquisite for winter blooming in pots. Also a favorite early spring bloomer for the garden, being perfectly hardy. Try it for pots, and treat same as recommended for Hyacinths and other flowering bulbs. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Amaryllis Hallii.

Hardy Amaryllis—*Lycoris Squamigera*.

For 20 years we have had growing in one of the hardy borders of our lawn a beautiful Amaryllis which sends up tall flower scapes each year crowned with a cluster of large blossoms. It increased slowly until we had nearly 100 good bulbs of it. Lately we have found a source of supply in Japan and have imported a large quantity. Foliage grows in early spring and dies down, the flowers following in August. Color beautiful lavender-tinted pink, fragrant and exceedingly beautiful. Perfectly hardy anywhere without protection. A most magnificent thing. Fine Bulbs, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Ten Thousand Flowered Boltonia.

Flowers are like a native Aster, pure white and borne in endless numbers as may be seen by the cut which represents a single stem plant the first summer. Another year this plant will throw up 6 to 10 stems just like this one and a mass of bloom shown that no other plant can equal. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$6.00.

Rudbeckia Golden Glow.

Grows eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds on long, graceful stems exquisite double blossoms of the brightest golden color, and as large as Cactus Dahlias. It is the most effective flowering plant for August and September in cultivation. Named and introduced by us. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 100 for \$6.00.

Convent Lily.

The equal of this plant (*Anthurium Lillastricum Major*) is found only among some of the rare and high priced Lilies. Each plant sends up many tall flower stems, each bearing a quantity of very large, pure white flowers, surpassing the white Day Lily in size and beauty. Quite as pretty, in fact, as the Bermuda Easter Lily. Will attract great attention and is unsurpassed for cutting. A grand good thing, and perfectly hardy anywhere. Strong roots, 25c. each; \$2.50 per dozen.

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WINTER VEGETABLES

*High-Class Seed for Winter Gardens in the Southern and Pacific States,
or for Coldframes North.*

This is a careful selection of Vegetables best adapted to mild winter climates. They are also equally good for frames where the climate is too severe for open ground culture.

The finest Vegetables produced in the U. S. are those grown in the Southern and Pacific States during the winter months, and we envy our customers in these sections the opportunities they have for winter gardening.

Grimson Globe Beet.

This is perhaps the perfection of a table Beet for family use. In all essential points it is really unsurpassed. Root of medium size, very handsome globe-shaped, and has a remarkably smooth surface. Both the skin and flesh are deep, rich red, fine grained, sweet and tender in all stages of growth. Small tap root; leaves small, dark-green. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.30.

Brussels Sprouts.

Matchless—A variety of vigorous growth and fine, solid sprouts of the very best quality. An extra fine sort which is highly prized in Europe. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Bean, Byer.

The very best of all green podded bush or snap beans. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.

Cauliflower.

Snowball—One of the very best varieties for early culture. Dwarf, compact grower, with large heads of snowy-whiteness and delicious flavor. A sure header, very early, but valuable for late as well. Pkt., 15c.; oz., \$2.50; lb., \$30.00.

American Beauty—A fine hardy Cauliflower, especially adapted to American soil and climate, as it is an American strain and American grown seed. Heads early, size large, quality the best. Pkt., 10c.; oz., \$2.25.

Earliest Dwarf Erfurt—Valuable for garden culture and an extra fine forcing sort. Our strain of this is the finest to be had in Germany, and it is considered to be the perfection of all Cauliflowers. Pkt., 20c.; 1/4 oz., \$1.00; oz., \$3.75.

Cress—(Peppergrass.)

Extra Curled—An appetizing relish, of fresh, piquant taste, often added to lettuce and other fresh salads for variety. Splendid for canaries, who are very partial to it, and keep healthier for its use. Very easy to grow, and can be sown in any little nook or vacant spot. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 50c.

Water Cress—Grown in moist, wet places, or at the edge of running streams. Increases rapidly, is very hardy, and as it is of an evergreen nature can be used all winter. A salad bowl heaped full of this Cress, of dark green leaves, is a pretty sight in January. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 35c.

Celery.

White Plume—One of the most beautiful of all, and the earliest. Brittle, fine grained and the easiest known sort to blanch. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.

Golden Self-Blanching—Fine to follow White Plume. An exceedingly fine-flavored sort; blanches easily to a beautiful golden yellow, and is very brittle and crisp. No garden complete without it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$5.00.

Cucumber.

Childs' Early Beauty—A most remarkable and valuable early Cucumber of recent introduction. It is a sport from Early Siberian and has that variety's great value as a cropper. It is as early as Extra Early Russian, though twice as large as that variety, and keeps its lively green color to a very late state of growth and will supplant all other early sorts, such as Siberian, Russian, Green Prolific, Thorburn's Everbearing etc., for it is not only earlier, but larger and much finer in every respect. It is even so fine that it has been called Early White Spine, though it has no relation to that superb late variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00.

Bennett's White Spine—(PRIVATE STOCK)—Our seed from this is saved from one of the finest stocks on Long Island, and Long Island leads the world on choice garden vegetables. These Cucumbers grow seven to ten inches long, uniformly plump and full to the very ends, a glossy dark green in color. A superior quality in every respect. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.25.

New Dandelion.

Nothing makes finer greens than the well known Dandelion, except the new Improved Wonderberry, or Sunberry. The variety of Dandelion here offered is the best.

Improved Large Leaved—The old "greens" of our grandmothers, now improved to large, thrifty plants with wide, long leaves of superior quality. These make a very healthful, nutritious and pleasant food, that can be used very early in the season. This new strain is the largest, finest and quickest growing variety yet known. It is a splendid vegetable which should be found in every garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 50c.

Cabbage.

Volga—This is, without exception, the nearest approach to perfection of any variety. Heads uniformly solid. Remarkable for its quick-growing habit. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$3.00.

Danish—A remarkably fine cabbage from Denmark having qualities that are lacking in any standard American variety. Heads medium size, uniform, round, and remarkably solid. It is a fine shipper. For late Cabbage for winter use it has no superior, being of good size for family use and of extra good quality, crisp and tender; better than any Cabbage with a less solid head can possibly be. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.00.

Early Long Island Wakefield—A standard variety, early and of fine quality. By all odds the best and most profitable early sort to grow in any part of the country. Our strain is perfect. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$3.00.

All Seasons—As the name would indicate, good for all seasons—early, medium or late. A sure header and long keeper; quality very fine. It is a remarkably good new sort. Head large and solid, round, with flat top, finest quality, and ready for marketing almost as early as the standard early sorts. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.50.

World Beater—A new Cabbage, as large or larger than Marblehead Mammoth, yet uniform in size, true to type, and a very solid header. No doubt it is the very best mammoth Cabbage to be had. Originated on Long Island. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$3.00.

Egg Plant.

New York Improved—Very popular in all the city markets. This is the easiest, finest and largest variety grown, and is a fine sort for either market or private garden. Start seed in hotbed and transplant to warm, rich, mellow soil. The fruit is very handsome, large, smooth and round, and of a rich, shining purple-black color and is borne until frost. Cook by cutting into half or quarter-inch slices, and, after paring, dip them into salted water for an hour; then dip in beaten eggs and cracker crumbs and fry in fat until golden brown. It has a meaty flavor much liked by everybody. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$3.50.

Kale Dwarf Spreading.

Kale is very easily grown and much hardier than any Cabbage, standing the winters well if protected by a little light litter or straw. The action of frost improves its flavor wonderfully, and it is particularly fine for winter and early spring greens. This is an extra fine strain of beautiful curled and dwarf German type, but of a rather spreading habit, and extra quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 75c.

Endive.

Green Curled—Well known in fashionable restaurants under the name of Chicoree and particularly fine served with Lettuce and French dressing. When wanted for use blanch the inside leaves by tying the outer leaves together over the heart, and the plants will be ready for use in about one week after. Never tie up when the leaves are wet, as it induces decay. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Kohl Rabi.

Extra Early Vienna—A curious vegetable, in appearance half-way between a Turnip and a Cabbage with a turnip-like swelling of the stems above the ground, which, while young and tender, has a delicious Cauliflower flavor, very appetizing and pleasant. Very easily grown, requiring only such care as will make a Turnip or Cabbage do well. It is cooked much the same as Cauliflower and served with pepper, butter and salt. It is certainly most delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$2.00.

Okra or Gumbo.

New White Velvet—A great improvement on the old White Velvet in every way. It is undeniably the best variety grown. Its large thick pods are round and smooth and of an ivory-white color. It is a very profuse bearer, and is ornamental as well as useful. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$1.25.

Mammoth Long Poddied—A most superb new Okra which produces an abundance of fine large pods that are of superior quality for soups, etc. Plants grow four feet high but begin to bear pods when 8 to 12 inches high. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; lb., 80c.

Childs' Half-Century Lettuce—The Far-Famed.

We all know how much careful selection year after year has to do with the quality of our vegetables, but there are few things that can claim a half-century descent from only the choicest and best specimens of one type. This lettuce can do so, however, and we are not surprised, therefore, at its superior qualities. Its leaves fold together, forming a long, loose head, remarkable for tenderness and delicious flavor. It may seem a good deal to say, but it is, nevertheless, a fact that for tenderness, brittleness and delicious quality this Lettuce grown in the open ground surpasses any other sort grown under glass. Nothing can approach it in quality. It is so brittle and tender that its leaves break to pieces in handling, if care is not used. It is a quick grower, attaining its full size in forty to fifty days, and remains in fine condition for a long time. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.30.

Childs' Half-Century Chrisphead Lettuce—The Perfect.

It is with much pleasure we offer a sport from our famous Half-Century Lettuce, that produces a large, solid head. It has much the same characteristics of the Half-Century, being exceedingly crisp, brittle and unsurpassed in flavor; but it is a true heading variety, forming a solid head, as large as a small Cabbage. It is superior to all other head varieties in superb quality, a quick grower and long keeper. The California expert growers of Lettuce say that "Chrisphead" is the longest keeping head variety in cultivation. The value of this cannot be overestimated. Its superb quality makes it the finest Lettuce for the home garden, which, with its long keeping quality, must make it the best and most popular sort for market growing. It is one of the best new vegetables ever introduced. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.00.

May King—This remarkable variety has proved itself capable of satisfying the most exacting requirements that could be made of an early outdoor Lettuce; while it can also be easily raised in a cold-frame. It is not easily affected by cold or wet weather, grows very quickly and produces, even in poor soil, splendid, globular heads, which are ready ten or fifteen days before other heading varieties and stands a long time before showing signs of running to seed. The leaves inside are of a golden-yellow shade and in point of flavor unexcelled by any sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Big Boston—A very desirable large variety for forcing in cold-frames and for outdoor planting. In the kitchen

garden there is no better variety to use. Plants large, lardy, vigorous. Leaves broad, smooth, thin, of a light-green color. Heads large, handsome and solid when grown inside, somewhat more loose when grown in the garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.50.

Denver Market or Savoy—An early variety of head Lettuce, either for forcing or open ground. Forms large, solid head of good light-green color. The leaves are beautifully marked and blistered (like Savoy Cabbage) and crisp and tender; of excellent flavor. This is in many respects a most unique Lettuce, and one which will be very popular as soon as known, occupying the same place among Lettuce as Savoy do among Cabbages. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.25.

Onion.

- Large Red Weathersfield**—A favorite red-skinned sort, of large size and handsome appearance. Onions somewhat flattened, flesh purplish-white, high-flavored, and keeps well without rotting. A standard sort and a great favorite with market gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$2.00.
- Yellow Globe Danvers**—Another popular Onion widely grown for market. Plump, handsome, yellow skinned bulbs, very uniform, round and perfect. We have an extra fine strain of this. It does well everywhere, and in all soils and climates, and is everywhere a popular market sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$2.00.
- Extra Early Red**—A quick-growing variety much liked in the North, as it grows well in cold, mucky soils, where other sorts fail. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$2.25.

Oyster Plant.

- Large White**—A quick grower; very fine flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.00.
- Sandwich Island Mammoth**—Like the above but twice the size. Cannot be praised too highly. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.40.

Parsley.

- Extra Double Curled**—Mossy curled and crisped leaves; very beautiful and good. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 85c.
- Beauty of the Parterre**—One of the finest sorts for garnishings or low edgings. Very fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.

Parsnip.

- Improved Guernsey**—This is not the coarse Stock Guernsey, but the table variety of that name, the sweetest, finest grained Parsnip grown. Smooth, thick roots, about 12 inches long. Very fine stewed, fried, etc. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 60c.

Spinach.

- One of the most delightful Vegetables is the Spinach, and a most welcome addition to the table in early spring. It is by far the most healthful of Vegetables, for it contains a large per cent of iron, a most necessary tonic. Physicians tell us that if people would eat more Spinach they would be much better off. Sow seed in September or October, protect the young plants with a little loose straw over winter and in early spring you will get an abundant harvest.
- American Savoy**—A heavy cropper of fine quality and very hardy; succulent leaves, curled and crinkled like Savoy Cabbage. Hardest and most productive sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.
- Victoria Long Standing**—This thick variety is distinguished by the exceedingly dark green color, and also for its long-standing qualities and crinkled foliage, especially valuable for summer use, resisting the heat to a remarkable degree. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 40c.; 3 lbs., \$1.00.
- Everlasting**—Available for use during the hottest months of midsummer, when ordinary spinach is not to be had. Quite different from the true spinach, but an admirable substitute. Cook like others. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., \$1.00.

Peas.

- Gradus or Prosperity**—A new, large podded, strong growing pea, which is only a few days later than the earliest small round sorts. It has all the fine qualities of the large late variety, yet is extra early. So vigorous and strong is its growth that it effectually resists the pea aphids, which do so much damage to early crops now-a-days. Largest peas and very finest quality. Stock very scarce. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 40c.; quart, 75c.; peck, \$4.00.
- Champion of England**—Still able to hold its own among all new comers as a pea of superlatively fine quality. Late and heavy cropper. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 25c.; quart, 40c.
- American Wonder**—An early wrinkled pea of exquisite flavor, ready for the table in thirty to forty days after planting. Grows only a few inches high. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 30c.; quart, 50c.

Pepper.

- Giant Excelsior**—A cross between the Chinese Giant and Ruby King, not so large as the former but larger than the latter. It is the earliest of Peppers, and outgrows other kinds. Growth, exceedingly vigorous, and each plant produces from 17 to 20 mammoth sized peppers. Better keeper than Ruby King. Half hot. The most valuable market Pepper yet introduced, selling quickly at fancy prices. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$3.00.

Grand New Tomato, Top-Notch.

The Earliest—the best medium size—the most perfect in shape and color—the least vine—the most fruit—the longest in bearing and keeping—the least acid—the sweetest Tomato, and in every respect the very best for the home or market.

With qualities as brilliant as a comet, Top-Notch has, as it were, dropped from the sky a perfect Tomato. In every quality that can be named it is superior to any other; earliest, large, round and smooth, uniform in size and shape, and rich, ruby color. It makes very little vine, but bears enormous quantities of fruit, 50 to 75 large, perfect Tomatoes to a plant which covers very little area. In quality it far out-ranks any other variety, for it lacks the objectionable acid of other sorts. People who suffer bad effects from the acid of Tomatoes will enjoy Top-Notch. Begins ripening very early and continues all the season. It is most decidedly the finest Tomato for market and the best for the home garden. Per pkt., 15c.; 2 pkts., for 25c.; $\frac{1}{4}$ oz., 60c.; 1 oz., \$1.00.

Childs' Early Baseball—In many ways this is about as fine a vegetable novelty as we ever introduced, not excepting the Everlasting Cucumber, Half Century and Crisphead Lettuce, Rosy Nugget Watermelon, and Long Podded Lima. We will not say it is the earliest of all Tomatoes, but it is as early as any and very much earlier than any other large first-class sort. Unlike other early Tomatoes Baseball is not small but extra large; one of the very largest, and by all odds the smoothest, heaviest and most solid variety in cultivation. It has very little seed cavity but has solid flesh pulp, tender, and free from all traces of coarseness or green core. It is a rich crimson color throughout and of unsurpassed quality. By all odds the Tomato for both the home garden and the market gardener. 10c. per pkt.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$4.00.

TENNOJI TURNIP.

Radish.

The following are the cream of all sorts.
Earliest Forcing—Earlier than any other sort by a week. Bright scarlet turnip Radish, very smooth and round, with small tops, allowing it to be grown closely together in hot-bed or forcing bench. Fine also for out-of-door. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., \$1.00.
Iceberg—A long Radish of almost transparent whiteness, which has no rival among all existing varieties. It is so early that the roots are 4 to 5 inches long in twenty days from the time of sowing the seed in the open ground, and ready for the table. As to quality, it has no superior, and is the most beautiful Radish yet seen. A long white, alabaster-like, early variety has not previously existed. This is a real jewel. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.15.
Sakurajima Mammoth—One of the good new things from Japan. In our trial grounds it has proven to be a very fine novelty indeed. It is of very quick growth, reaching an enormous size in a short time. Color pure white, almost like a piece of ivory. Very crisp and tender and of remarkably mild and pleasant flavor. Most people at once pronounce it to be the ideal table Radish. It certainly is as far as beauty and quality goes. As a southern winter Radish it is without a rival. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

Turnip.

Tennoji—Japan has for years been sending us charming new flowers and trees, but lately she has taken to vegetables; the result of which is a new mammoth Radish, and this enormous Turnip. We hope that other novelties as important as these may follow. The Tennoji Turnip is a mammoth flat variety of excellent quality. It is impossible to say just how large it will grow under favorable conditions, but the Japanese claim is something incredible. Here in our trial grounds under the disadvantage of a crowded test-bed it has grown to the largest dimensions, we have ever seen in a Turnip. Finest seed, just imported from Japan. 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 25c.; oz., 35c.

Extra Early Milan—The earliest strap-leaved variety. A smooth, medium-sized variety, with a bright purple top. Fine quality and a good keeper. Very delicious. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 75c.

White Quality—This new Turnip is so far superior to any other that it is in a class by itself. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.50.

CHILDS'
WINTER

or

TREE
ONION.

Childs' Winter or Perpetual Tree Onion.

For Fall Planting.

In this we have an Onion different from those raised from seeds or sets, or from the Top and Potato Onion, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frost breaks the ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. It is usually ready for the table early in May. It is unsurpassed for sweetness and tenderness. It is perfectly hardy in all sections of the North. Differs widely from all other forms of Top or Potato Onions, and should have a place in every home garden. Fall is the best time to plant. Pint, 20c.; quart, 30c. prepaid. Peck, \$1.00; bushel \$3.00 by express at buyers expense.

Giant Bohemian Horse Radish.

A valuable recent introduction of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. It is a much more rapid grower than the old variety in general use and is therefore ready for use a great deal earlier. Its large, white roots may be raised in any soil, and, when planted in rows, may be harvested like Potatoes. The quality of this Horse Radish is far superior to the old variety in strength and piquancy. Sets of roots, which will make an enormous growth the first summer, 3 for 30c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for \$5.00.

RHUBARB
"CRIMSON WINTER"

New Giant Hardy Crimson Winter Rhubarb.

The perfection in Rhubarbs.—So vigorous and rapid in growth that it is ready for the table in four months from seed.

This is in all respects just like Burbank's Crimson Winter Rhubarb, except it is FOUR TIMES LARGER, and perfectly hardy in the extreme north. Plants of this wonderful Rhubarb sold last year by an agent of the originator for \$5.00 each. Mr. Wagner the originator says it is "more rugged than the Crimson Winter and fully twice the size of Linnaeus or any old variety." It has the fine crimson color and sprightly delicious flavor of Burbank's Crimson Winter and is available for use from earliest spring to late in December. The stalks sometimes attain a length of three feet and weigh over one pound. Sixty stems picked from one plant at a single picking weighed thirty pounds. Such a great number of stalks from one plant are possible as the plant divides so rapidly into numerous crowns. It will of course supersede the old Crimson Winter as fast as planters can get the stock. Those who set a few plants now will reap a rich harvest, not only on the Pacific and in the South, but in the North as well where the old variety is not reliable.

It is the earliest of all Rhubarb by a long way and fit for use not only in the spring, but all through the summer and fall. As fast as stalks are pulled fresh ones will take their place. In the Southern and Pacific states it may be used all the year round, requiring only water in dry localities to keep it growing. It is particularly fine in winter. Color, bright crimson except new stalks on young plants.

In quality this Rhubarb is simply superb, fully equal in flavor to the finest berries. The stalks are not so bulky, soft and watery as most other kinds, and the skin is so thin and tender that it is not necessary to remove it, and when cooked a beautiful crimson-colored sauce is the result, looking, as well as tasting, like berries. Flavor sprightly and refreshing, combining that of the Raspberry and Strawberry, but greatly superior to either as a cooked fruit. In fact, it makes the most delicious sauce and pies we have seen.

Price of Roots, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.60; 100 for \$10.

Price of Seeds, 15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 40c. From seed sown in the open ground in April or May one will get fine large stalks for cooking as early as July or August.

Asparagus Roots.

We offer fine roots of two best sorts as follows:

Barr's Mammoth—\$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1000.

Giant Emperor—For full description and cut see Spring Catalogue. 60c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

RYE
Mammoth White

PRIDE OF AMERICA

Mammoth White Rye.

This wonderful New Rye has qualities which will commend it to every farmer. No matter where situated it will prove to be twice as valuable as the old variety. Mammoth White is an extra high yielding strain of Rye that is very profitable. Valuable for grain; also makes the best early spring pasture for all kinds of stock. Will grow on any soil and make big yields. The land can hardly be too poor for it. Valuable for green manuring and soiling purposes. Used for a grain crop, its straw makes the best bedding for cattle and horses and if carefully threshed sells at high prices for collar making and other manufacturing purposes. It is also an excellent green manuring crop for turning under in the early spring. Sow at the rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre. Price, per pkt., 10c.; lb., 30c.; 3 lbs., 75c.; peck \$1.25. By mail or express, prepaid. By express or freight at buyer's expense. Peck, 75c.; bushel, \$2.50.

Wheat "Pride of America."

A Winter Wheat of great value. It is the greatest cropper known, and as to hardiness nothing can surpass it, as it stands the severe Northern winters without the slightest injury. The heads are large and beardless, straw stout and erect, while the grain is of great size and weight and of a splendid color. Owing to its great hardiness, productiveness, weight, beauty and fine quality, it is to be the most popular Winter Wheat of the future. It makes a flour of unsurpassed quality. It produces 47 pounds of the nicest flour to the bushel. Price, 10c. per oz.; 30c. per lb.; 3 lbs., for 75c., peck, \$1.25. By mail or express, prepaid. By express or freight, at buyer's expense. Per peck, 75c.; per bushel, \$2.50.

New Winter Oat, "Winter Turf."

This hardy, robust Winter Oat for fall sowing is worthy the attention of every farmer. It is enormously productive, as many as 150 strong stems having been counted growing from one stool and bearing 6,342 grains, all from one seed. Sow as you would winter wheat or rye, in September, and it will afford the finest winter pasture which it is possible to have, and yet give an enormous crop of grain, which ripens early, before it can be injured by dry weather. The straw grows to the height of four or five feet, with enormous heads of grain, a foot in length. Grain large, plump, and exceedingly heavy. We believe it will yield as much to the acre as any other Oat, and that it will supersede all other kinds. Price per pkt., 10c.; lb., 30c.; 3 lbs., 75c., peck, \$1.25. By mail or express, prepaid. By express or freight at buyer's expense. 75c. per peck; \$2.50 per bushel.

12 HARDY PERENNIALS FROM SEED.

These are all hardy plants which live in the garden year after year, blooming every spring or summer with little or no care. Sown in late summer or fall they bloom finely next season. All at 5c. per pkt.

Aster Alpina.

One of the most charming hardy perennial plants we have ever seen. Its flowers are borne in profusion early in spring, and are the size of a large wild Daisy, about three inches across, composed of a double row of intensely blue petals surrounding a golden yellow center. Its double the size of any other hardy Aster and closely resembles a large Paris Daisy in shape and general appearance. Another important point is its extreme earliness, beginning to bloom usually in May.

Mixed—Blue, white, and several fine colors.

Aquilegia or Columbine.

One of the best of the early summer perennials. Curious flowers, extremely graceful, and borne in great quantities high above the foliage which itself is very beautiful and attractive. Extra fine for cutting.

Prize Mixture—100 varieties, double and single, all colors.

Campanula.

Beautiful plants known as Canterbury Bells. Large bell-shaped flowers, very cheerful and attractive. Colors, blue, white, pink, etc. Sow seed in open ground, cover lightly and thin plants to stand twelve inches apart.

Double, Mixed Colors—A fine strain.

Calliopsis Lanceolata.

Flowers rich yellow, of large size and borne on long graceful stems. Very profuse and showy.

Delphinium.

One of the choicest perennials known, and increases in beauty each year. Tall, stately growing, with immense spikes of the most brilliant flowers in all shades of lavender, mauve, pale, medium and deep, dark blues; plants often bloom the first summer. Very hardy.

Mixed Colors.

Digitalis.

One of our special favorites. This, with the double Hollyhocks, and the Delphiniums, form a stately trio of fall growing plants of which nothing finer can be chosen for backgrounds, center of wide borders, interspersing with shrubbery, etc. If plants are not allowed to seed they are crowded for months by long pyramidal spikes of lovely pendant thimble-shaped bells, snow white, rosy blush, exquisitely shaded or spotted. The blossoms are nearly or quite two inches in length, and lap each other with utmost regularity.

Gloxinoides Grandiflora—A strain with large beautiful Gloxinia-like blossoms. All colors mixed.

Stokesia or Cornflower Aster.

A lovely hardy perennial and a free bloomer all summer, a rare merit among perennials. Plants grow 13 to 25 inches high, and begin blooming early. The blossoms are Aster-like, fine lavender-blue in color and very handsome. Grows well in any situation, and is sure to become immensely popular and please all.

Hollyhock.

Our Superb Giant Double Strain.

One of the finest of all perennials, and unsurpassed as a stately, imposing plant for backgrounds, screens, center of wide borders, etc. Plants grow from four to six feet high, and bear pyramidal spikes of large, rosette-like flowers of every shade and color, from pure white to almost black. The yellow, magenta, rose and black are intensely pure and deep, while the pure white, pale lemon, soft pink and lavender shades are exquisitely soft and delicate. The pearly blooms of the white Hollyhock are as fine for all floral work as the best double Rose or Camellia.

Double, Mixed Colors—Very choice, embracing over twenty different shades.

Perennial Phlox.

The Perennial Phlox is now one of the most popular and most magnificent of garden flowers. The new large flowered hybrids are large, brilliant and beautiful and bloom freely all summer. Seed is uncertain in germination to a certain extent, unless sown in fall, or sown in soil and allowed to freeze.

New Hybrids—All colors mixed, perfectly magnificent. Sow in fall or very early in spring during freezing weather if possible.

New Perennial Poppies.

Each bloom as large as a saucer, and sits perched like a bird on the end of a swaying, hairy, slender stem, high above the deeply-incised and handsome foliage. Many consider it the most showy flower that blooms. A grand plant to light up dark corners and dull shrubbery. **Mixed hybrids.**

Perennial Peas.

No praise can be too high for this lovely iron-clad vine, that blooms constantly from early summer until late autumn minding neither heat nor cold, rain nor drouth. Plants of vigor and healthfulness, bearing a profusion of long-stalked clustered flowers, white, pink and deep rose in color, each flower an inch or more across. Vines 4 to 6 feet in height.

Mixed, All Colors.

Sweet William.

The favorite flower of our grandmothers. One of the best edging plants for the border, bearing in early summer large heads of the richest and most varied colors. Very fragrant and a favorite with everyone for vases and bouquets.

Improved Mixed Colors—Perfect in form, large in size, brilliant and varied in colors.

Price—Any of these beautiful perennials at 5 cts. per pkt. The collection of 12 for 50c.

A Wild Perennial Bed for 10 cts.

A fine mixture of all the best and hardiest, Hardy Perennials, such as are suitable for a wild bed or a mixture for any out of the way place. These plants, once started, will bloom profusely year after year. Large packet, 10 cents; 6 for 50 cents.

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Childs' Grand Pansies.

Our Pansy Seed is the very choicest product of Europe, and the various strains and distinct varieties we offer are the best known to cultivation. You can bank on our Pansy seed.

- Per pkt.
- Large-Flowered, Choice Mixed Colors**—A superb strain of choice large-flowering types, including all colors. Will give great satisfaction. 5
- Fancy Striped, Mixed**—A strain made up of various colors, all elegantly and grotesquely striped and variegated. These Pansies will be greatly admired for their odd, beautiful and distinct stripes. 10
- Fancy Margined Mixed**—The large, fine blossoms of these are of various colors, white, blue, black, yellow, purple, etc., all with beautiful margins of white and gold bordering each flower. Unique and beautiful. 10
- Scarlet and Red Mixed**—This is a mixture of all the new colors in scarlet and red which have been recently introduced, such as Fiery Face, Cardinal, Fire King, etc. It runs largely to very bright colors. 10
- Snow Queen**—A perfect beauty, being a pure snow-white which always comes true from seed. A great bloomer. 5
- Yellow Bird**—Very large flowers pure bright yellow. 5
- Silver Edged**—Dark, rich velvety purple, with distinct white edge. Lovely for cutting and for funeral work. 5
- Black Giant-Flowered**—A new black Pansy of the largest size; a rich coal black; very fine and striking. 10
- Ruby Red**—A rich colored Pansy, and comes quite true from seed. Flowers large and of a dark ruby red, having a texture almost like velvet. 10
- Adonis**—Lovely light or sky blue. 5
- Prince Henry**—Darkest blue, very large. 10
- Bridesmaid**—Shining white and rose, beautifully blotched. New. 10

Above Collection of 12 pkts., for only 50c.

GIANT EXCELSIOR PANSIES.

It is impossible to convey an idea of the richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form and great substance of these Pansies. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage, on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors have been counted in one bed of this strain. 15

JENNING'S PANSY.

A wonderful new strain of Pansy which has been developed in Conn. Some of the blossoms measure $\frac{3}{4}$ inches across, and there are new and fantastic colors that we have never before seen among Pansies. All colors and shades represented. Mixed colors. 10

IMPERIAL GERMAN PANSIES.

Introduced by us several years ago, and a leading favorite. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, withstanding the heat and producing fine large flowers during the entire summer. Flowers of great substance and beauty. Mixed colors. 10

TUFTED PANSIES. (Violet Scented.)

This new type is a cross between the Pansy and the Violet, combining the ideal properties of each. The flowers are much larger than the Violet, more like Pansies, but with the delicious fragrance of the former. The habit of the plant is decidedly dwarf and compact, producing its flowers on long foot-stalks, and they appear continually from early spring until late fall. The range of colors runs through white, buff, canary and azure blue; exceedingly delicate. 10

Seed of Choice Greenhouse and Window Plants.

We offer at special prices the following list of choice Seed of Greenhouse or Window Plants.

- ASPARACUS SPRENCERI**—Fine foliage. 5
- ABUTILON, Choicest Hybrids Mixed**—All colors. 10
- BECONIA**
- Mixed Seed**—Many kinds. Grand for window culture. 10
- Gracilis Mignon**—Extra fine, perpetual bloomer. 5
- CALCEOLARIA, Dwarf Hybrids**—Large flowering, mixed. 10
- CHRYSANTHEMUM, Extra Choice**—All colors and varieties, mixed. 10
- CYCLAMEN, Grandiflorum**—Choicest mixed colors. 10
- CINERARIA, Dwarf Hybrids**—Large flowering, mixed. 10
- Double Extra Choice, Mixed**. 20
- CARNATION**
- Monthly, or Perpetual Tree**—Mixed varieties. 10
- Hardy Hybrids**—Hardy free bloomers. Extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed. 10
- Margaret**—Fine early bloomers. 5
- COLEUS, Rainbow Leaved**—Extra choice mixed. 10
- FERN**—Mixed; many sorts. 10
- FUCHSIA**—Fine mixed, all sorts. 10
- GLOXINIA**—Choicest mixed Hybrids; magnificent. 10
- GERANIUM, Zonale Extra Choice**—Mixed. 10
- Apple Scented**—Very delightfully scented leaves. 10
- Double Mixed**—Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence. 20
- Bronze and Silver Tri-Color**—Fine foliage sorts. 20
- Pelargonium, or Lady Washington**—Fine mixed Ivy—Fine double flowered; ivy leaved; grand. 20
- CERBERA OR CRIMSON DAISY**—This flowers both summer and winter, and makes a fine pot plant. 10
- HELIOTROPE, Lemoine's Hybrids**—Flowers soon from seed. Grandest of all Heliotropes. 10
- LANTANA**—Fine mixed colors; dwarf free flowering. 5
- LEMON VERBENA**. 10
- PALM, Filifera or Weeping**—Very fine and easily grown
- PRIMULA, Chinensis, Mixed**—Very good. 5
- Fimbriata**—Extra fine; large flowering mixed. 10
- Fimbriata, Filicifolia**—Mixed; (fern-leaved) beautiful cut-leaved foliage. 10
- Fimbriata Clobosa**—Mixed colors. This is a new strain of Fimbriata, with many unusually large flowers of great substance and color; very clear and pleasing. 20
- Fimbriata, fl. pl., Double, Mixed Colors**—The double Primulas are among the choicest of all winter plants. All colors, mixed, an extra choice strain. 20
- Obconica Hybrids**—Strong plants of this are ever-bloomers, flowering for ten or twelve months at a time, without a day's intermission. 10
- ROSE MULTIFLORA**—With seed of these new Roses plants may be had in bloom in 60 days from time of sowing. Plant at any time. 15
- SALVIA, Golden Leaved**—Very brilliant. 5
- SMILAX**. 5
- VIOLET**—Mixed sorts. 10
- VERBENA, Mayflower**—Delicate pink and white. 10

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Seed for Winter Blooming.

We have made extensive experiments with all quick growing annuals, and to our surprise and delight find that some of them make the most beautiful pots of winter flowers that it is possible to have. Of the following kinds seed can be sown in pots of good soil at any time from November 1st to January 1st. They will germinate quickly, grow rapidly and be in bloom in a surprisingly short time, and the pleasure which they will afford it is impossible to anticipate. It is not possible to find any winter flower which will in true beauty and loveliness surpass some of these.

Alyssum, Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and if possible more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across.

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen—Flowers are borne in spikes and are very gay and pretty, being of bright crimson and lilac colors.

Diamond Flower—It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have a most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss.

Fenzlia Dianthiflora—This makes a splendid show in pots. It is of a trailing habit and produces in great profusion large, beautiful pink-like blossoms which are of a light lavender color with dark center.

Lobelia Goldense—A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden yellow and is most charmingly set off by hundreds of blossoms of the brightest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye.

Marigold, Legion of Honor—A dwarf gem, and one of the prettiest pot plants, blooming in a month after the seed starts. Attracts great attention. Brown and yellow.

Morning Glories—For winter blooming—Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers remain open all day, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine. The cut represents a pot of them forty days from the time of sowing the seed. They are in no respect hard to grow, and will succeed in any window.

Nicotiana Hybrids—Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are of many colors, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded north windows, is invaluable.

Nasturtium, Baby Mixed—A new class of very small growing Nasturtiums, with lovely little leaves and the brightest and loveliest of blossoms borne in endless profusion.

Rhodanthe—For charming grace and beauty few flowers can surpass this. It blooms in about forty days from the time of sowing the seed, and as the flowers are everlasting they never fade.

Shoo-Fly Plant—It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is growing if they can conveniently escape, though what there is about it that repulses them is not clear, as the plant or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time, (60 days,) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, and of a lovely light blue color with a white center.

Sweet Pea, Angelina—A new extra early sort with exquisite pink and white blossoms and delicious fragrance. Splendidly adapted to pot culture in winter.

PRICE—All the above lovely winter bloomers at 5 cts. per pkt. The Entire Collection of 12 sorts for 50 cts.

(See also inside page of covers.)

Choice Plants for Winter Blooming.

The following plants are extra fine for winter blooming, and are mostly new or recently introduced sorts that are not seen in general cultivation. We supply healthy, well-grown, vigorous young stock that will be sure to do finely. All grown especially for winter blooming.

NEW
REX
BEGONIA

New Rex Begonias.

These new varieties of Begonia Rex are of our own origin, and they far excel any that have previously been in cultivation. The colors and markings of the leaves are exceedingly varied and rich.

Crimson Glow—Magnificent large leaves, center half of which is a rich, metallic crimson, which graduates into a wide zone of light green with lace-like veins, the rim of the leaf having a distinct border of the same metallic crimson as the center.

Midnight—Elegant leaves almost black in color, variegated with large pink blotches, with iridescent glow.

Fireflush—Immense leaf, silvery colored, bordered dark purplish-green, and with a dark center. The whole leaf flushed with crimson-pink.

Monster—Leaf, 2½ feet across. Color, pure silvery, veined with dark green.

Emperor William—Very light-green leaves, overlaid with fine crimson. Entirely distinct.

Mikado—Large silvery gray leaves, bordered maroon black, with a bluish-ribbed center flushed crimson.

Czar Nicholas—A beautiful stipple of green and silver with a finely flushed center.

Alfonso—Silvery green with a dark border filled with conspicuous silver spots. Exceedingly novel and fine.

Edward IV—Deep maroon black with a striking zone of pink and silver spots. Grand.

Victor—An oddly colored leaf of a peculiar dark color, without variation except that it has the appearance of being regularly and densely specked.

20c. each; 3 for 50c; the 10 for \$1.50.

Glorious New Foliage and Flowering Begonia, Bunchii.

Begonia Bunchii is a most unique and beautiful new sort which originated as a sport from B. Feastii. It produces large thick heavy green leaves which are most elegantly crested as shown in cut. This looks as though each leaf was fluted and ruffled, but really there is a crest of little leaves fringing the margin of each big one. The effect is entirely novel and changing. Bunchii blooms freely, sending up tall flower stems which bear a profusion of pink blossoms. This plant is a decided novelty. Nothing like it ever before seen in horticulture. Easily grown in any window or conservatory. Fine plants, 50c. each.

CYCLAMEN
GRANDIFLORUM
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Cyclamen Grandiflorum.

Childs' Improved Large-Flowering.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be, considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flowers will be spotted and marked, and finely variegated. The foliage is beautiful, being variegated with different shades of green, and helps to show off the flowers, which rise above it, to a remarkable degree. In fact, a plant in bloom always looks like a tastily arranged vase of flowers and foliage.

Giant White—Pure white, enormous size.

Giant Carmine—Very bright.

Giant Pink—Exquisite shades.

Giant Crimson Black—Very dark and rich.

Giant White Crimson Eye.

Fine Bulbs 20c. each; the 5 for 90c.

Giant Mixed—All colors, tints and shades, some being freely spotted. 15c. each; 5 for 60c.

CYCLAMEN SEED.

Finest seed saved from our favorite strain as offered above. Seedlings grow freely and bloom in 8 to 10 months.

Giant Mixed, 10 Colors—Very fine. 10c. per pkt.

CRIMSON

CREEPER

Crimson Creeper.

As a pot plant it is highly ornamental all the time, the long, slender, and exceedingly graceful vines, red stemmed, with dark, rich-green foliage, being exceedingly pretty as they hang in wavy trusses over the side of a hanging pot or basket. It blossoms during late winter, spring and early summer, the flowers being large and of a rich bright crimson, and borne in great profusion. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

'New Perpetual Blooming Chrysanthemum. "GLORY OF SEVEN OAKS"

Introduced by us last year, this wonderful plant has given delight and satisfaction to ten thousand of our customers.

Originated on the Estate of Mr. H. Darlington, Seven Oaks, Mamaroneck, N. Y., P. W. Popps, Gardener.

Has been exhibited in bloom all times of year and received many certificates of merit.

Blooms profusely bedded out from June to December. Perfectly hardy in the open ground. Blooms profusely all winter in pots as a window or conservatory plant. Flowers 4 to 5 inches across on stems 2 to 3 feet. Begins blooming in thumb pots.

This magnificent novelty in importance almost equals our Spectacular Rose. Just think of it, a magnificent large Chrysanthemum blooming all summer bedded out, or all the year round in pots: There is no doubt of this for it has been exhibited in bloom at all times of year, to the amazement of thousands who have seen it in winter, spring and all summer, as well as in the fall.

Flowers of brightest golden yellow, double to the very center and of large size and borne in clusters of 3 to 6.

Fine Plants 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.75.

NEW EARLY FLOWERING CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

These new sorts produce the largest sized flowers in the open ground end of Sept. and during Oct. They are the first mammoth flowering sorts early enough and strong enough to produce large showy flowers in the garden, equal to good greenhouse varieties.

Dawnray—Exquisite large pink of great beauty. Very early.

Snowcap—Pure white large and double. A perfect plant.

Crysolora—Finest and brightest yellow. Large, extra early.

20c. each; the 3 for 60c.; \$1.50 per dozen.

Eucharis Amazonica.

If there is a purer, sweeter, or more exquisitely beautiful flower than this we have never had the good fortune to see it. It is a bulbous plant, throwing up tall spikes on which are borne several very large, star-shaped flowers of the purest waxy whiteness and unexcelled fragrance. For chaste beauty it has no peer, and is a plant that is as rare as it is beautiful. Large bulbs, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

The Glorious Rainbow Cactus.

The plant is covered with a net-work of spines which appear in rings of different colors, ranging from creamy white to deep crimson, hence its name "Rainbow." It is a most beautiful plant at all times, but when in bloom its grandeur is unsurpassed, having flowers four inches across, bright crimson with a white center. It blooms profusely and is of the earliest culture in pots. The great beauty of the plant itself, combined with the enormous size and beauty of the flowers, make what we consider to be the most charming Cactus in cultivation, and one of the most rare and lovely of all plants to possess. Sold a few years ago at \$5.00 each. Fine large plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

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Childs' Monster Carnations.

The following are mostly new Carnations of our own raising, mammoth flowering sorts, being hybrids of Lawson with Eachantress and Gen'l Maceo.

Rosyflush—A cross between White and Pink Lawson. Large, sturdy, fine dwarf habit. White flushed and variegated maroon.

Pure Gold—Beautiful large flower, borne on long stiff stems. Exquisite fragrance, petals deeply serrated, and color dark yellow with a few faint marks of pink.

Christmas Cheer—A pot Carnation absolutely unique. Color a brilliant, glowing Poinsettia scarlet. Easier to grow than a Geranium. Will produce 100 or more blooms in a season, and can be had for Christmas, with 25 to 50 blossoms and buds. This wonderful Carnation was awarded a special certificate of merit.

Eachantress—Enormous flower of perfect form, full, double and sweet, on long graceful stems. Light pink or bluish, an exquisite tint.

Blue Bedder—While the flowers are not actually blue, they are of a bluish-violet color, the blue shades being at times very pronounced. The plant is of a stout, compact habit and will bloom in the garden profusely all summer.

Blue Novelty—This is the greatest novelty in Carnations we ever had; a most distinct color, bluish purple, rich, handsome and not found in any other flower. Flowers very perfect and very fragrant. A strong grower and great bloomer.

Spotted Beauty—Fine rosy pink freely spotted or speckled with crimson. Finest speckled sort. New.

Giant Striped—Wide scarlet stripes on bluish ground. Flower of enormous size and perfect form. New.

Mrs. Lawson—Extra large flowers borne on magnificent long stems, and are of a most lovely deep pink shade.

White Lawson—A sport from the above, same monstrous flower and vigorous growth, white as snow.

Mrs. Ward—Beautiful pink, mammoth size.

Victory—Brightest scarlet, on long stems.

Very strong plants, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; \$2.00 per doz.

CARNATION SEED.

	Per pkt.
Monthly or Perpetual—Mixed greenhouse sorts.....	10
Lawson Hybrids—This seed is grown in our own greenhouses and is saved from the newest, largest and finest known kinds. All carefully hybridized. Will produce magnificent varieties.....	20

New Double Geraniums.

These are the finest double Geraniums yet introduced.

Variegata—Foliage beautifully mottled and variegated white, green and creamy-yellow. Flowers, bright scarlet, double and in big trusses. A vigorous grower.

Mayflower—White tinted pink. Very fine.

White Swan—Very floriferous. An extra fine pot Geranium, covered with large trusses of snow-white flowers that are very double and perfect. Finest white.

Double, John Lewis Childs—This splendid novelty is a double form of the famous single spotted variety of the same name. The plant is a vigorous grower and free bloomer. Clusters large, florets large and very double. The ground color is a beautiful pink thickly spotted with crimson.

Electre—A brilliant shade of clear Wallflower violet.

Double, Mrs. White—Pure white thickly spotted crimson. **Mrs. Langguth**—Color of foliage, deep green, heavily striped with silvery white; the zone of the leaf is pure white. Large blossoms. Color, aniline-scarlet.

Mrs. Parker—While the foliage is deep green with a broad border of pure white, the flower is perfectly double and of a clear bright pink, a combination novel and beautiful.

Sensation—Very large truss of deep crimson-black blossoms, and elegant silver margined foliage. Highly ornamental and very beautiful.

25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Fine Single Geraniums.

Clare Frenot—Magnificent flower and enormous truss; beautiful rose color.

Pennsylvania—Pure snow-white; best of its color.

New York—Enormous clusters of great substance; beautiful round flowers. Soft pink; perfectly exquisite.

Tennessee—Extra large, round, perfect shape; bright crimson-pink. One of the very best.

New Jersey—White, tinted, veined and spotted.

20c. each; the 5 for 80c.

GERANIUM SEED.

Grows freely and bloom in a few months. Per pkt.
Single Mixed Colors—All types with varied and brilliant colors. Saved from more than 50 magnificent sorts, all finest named varieties, plants of which are offered elsewhere in this catalogue..... 10
Double Mixed—All colors and a magnificent lot. Saved from our own superb Hybrids. Seed will produce some of the grandest double Geraniums ever seen..... 30

BABY FERN

Boston Ferns.

The finest decorative plants in cultivation, and in addition to the well known standard variety, we are able to offer several new and most unique varieties. All are as robust, vigorous and easily grown as the original Boston Fern.

Boston Fern.—(ORIGINAL)—Of all decorative plants for house culture, this is perhaps the most imposing and satisfactory. It is so hardy that it will stand and thrive in most any situation in a room even if out of the sun's rays. Plants form an immense number of graceful, drooping fronds, varying in length from two to five feet and always of a fresh, healthy and beautiful green color.

Scotti.—A decided acquisition. It is a dwarf, compact grower, and has two or three times as many fronds as the Boston Fern. It makes symmetrical, handsome plants in either large or small sizes.

Pierston's Boston Fern.—Immense wavy fronds, of the Ostrich Plume type, but longer and more beautifully feathered. Without doubt it is the most magnificent Fern grown, and possesses all the hardy, robust and easy growing qualities peculiar to the common Boston Fern, and all its varieties.

Pierston's Baby Boston Fern.—A great novelty and a great beauty. Like Pierston Fern, only smaller in size and far more feathery and plume-like. It is perfectly exquisite.

Superbissima.—New; long dark green fronds in great clusters, each frond rolled, curled and crinkled in an odd and beautiful way.

Mrs. Roosevelt.—A great improvement on the old Boston Fern. It is more upright in growth, grows faster and makes about four fronds to the old varieties one. It is also a deeper and richer color.

Amorpoilli.—This to our mind is the most graceful and beautiful of all the Boston Ferns. It is very much superior to the Fern Ball, and well adapted to a hanging pot. Fronds broad, finely cut and waved like ostrich plumes. No other Fern frond so beautiful as this.

Lace or Baby's Breath.—This has the finest foliage of all Ferns. It is so delicate that a lady on seeing it, exclaimed, "Call it the Baby's Breath." It gives the impression of fine lace work. Our word for it, no Fern in existence can compare with it in fluffiness. It is a hardy, easy grower in any window, dwarf, compact and perfectly charming in every respect.

Muscosa.—A very dwarf Fern, with dense compact fronds of the deepest and richest emerald green. A fine companion to the Lace Fern. No other Fern like it.

Elegantissima.—New and very fine. On the order of Pierston's, but differing in a more elegant frond. This is about the best of the lot for all-round purposes.

Elegantissima Compacta.—A very dwarf compact form of the above. Fronds shorter and more numerous.

Scholzeli.—This is really a fine crested form of Scotti. Fronds erect with graceful arch. Makes a most beautiful plant at any size or stage of growth.

20c. each; 3 for 50c. One each of the 12 grand Ferns for only \$1.50.

FELICIA
AMELLOIDES

(AZURE STAR)

Felicia Amelloides.

This new and most superb pot plant was sent us by Mr. William Trelease, director of the Missouri Botanical Gardens, at St. Louis, who pronounces it one of the best introductions of late years. It begins blooming in September and keeps on until May. The plant we had a year ago was cut freely for propagating and did not bloom until Christmas, but from that on until the middle of June it was one mass of the loveliest sky-blue blossoms ever seen. Each blossom keeps perfect four or five weeks before fading. It certainly attracted attention and praise as no new plant in our place ever did. It is a free, rapid grower, succeeding in any window. It delights in a rather cool atmosphere, and will do as well in partial shade as in full sun. For profuse and long-continued flowering qualities, exquisite beauty and ease of culture it is great. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Resurrection Plant.

A ball of tightly folded leaflets, dry and dead. Drop it in a bowl of water and in a short time there is a great, loose, expanded rosette of fine fern-like leaves both odd and beautiful. This can be repeated many times, the plant curling tightly together when dry, expanding when soaked. 10c.

DOUBLE GARDENIA
OR CAPE
JESSAMINE

Everblooming Cape Jessamine.

This grand novelty does not differ from the common Cape Jessamine or Gardenia except it blossoms all the year round, while the old sort blossoms only a short time in the spring. The flowers of this are very large and perfect with pure white wax-like petals and glorious fragrance. Large, double and unsurpassingly lovely. A good plant will show flowers every day in the year, and it is an easy thing to manage, growing well as a window plant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Jasmine Primulinum.

A new and exquisitely beautiful flowering plant. Finest of all Jasmines for pot culture, or for the open ground in the Southern and Pacific States, where it is hardy. It makes a very graceful plant with long, wavy stems, thickly clothed with handsome foliage, and when in bloom each stem or branch is almost a solid wreath of large, golden-yellow blossoms like immense Primroses—two inches across; larger and more beautiful than the far-famed Jasmine of the South. Plants bloom when very small. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Our Great New Hydrangeas.

For tubs or bedding what is more beautiful or classier than big bushy Hydrangeas standing in large pots or tubs adorning porches, verandas or the lawn. They are easily grown and any one can have them who will plant the following superb new sorts. They are also fine for bedding out in summer, and produce clusters of bloom by the score, as large as a man's hat. Winter plants in a cellar or pit.

Sea Shell—Possibly this is the most magnificent of all pot plants. It is a new color running to a most exquisite soft sea shell pink or a blue tinted pink or a pink tinted blue, there being some variations. The clusters of bloom are simply enormous, as many as twenty appearing on a year old plant at one time. Very small cutting plants also bloom when only a few months old. One of the very best things we ever had. 25c. each.

Avalanche—Exactly like above except in color which is pure white and perfectly magnificent. Fine plants, 25c. each.

Bouquet Rose—Flowers a foot across, fine dark pink tinged amber. 30c. each.

Emile Mouillere—Flowers very symmetrical, and freely borne. Pure white with a fine carmine-pink center. Very attractive and beautiful. Entirely distinct and unlike any other Hydrangea. 40c. each.

Renel Gaillard—Thick woody habit; enormous size and perfect bearing. Creamy white with fringed edges. 40c. each.

Agnes Barrillet—A most floriferous variety of splendid habit. Flowers large, round, soft creamy white. Excellent for forcing for winter. 40c. each.

1 each of the 6 for \$1.75.

Double Chinese Hibiscus.

Where can we find a more striking plant than this with its glossy leaves and huge flaming flowers of satin-like texture? Summer or winter, it is always budding and blooming and if it becomes too large for the window, can be wintered in the cellar. Pots of Hibiscus are extra fine for piazza or balcony, and for bedding out in summer.

Peachblow—This is one of the finest plant novelties offered in recent years. The flowers are double, and from four to five inches in diameter; of a charming, rich, clear pink color, with a small, deep crimson center; an entirely new and most beautiful shade; it blooms abundantly and continuously, even in small plants.

Auriantica—Very large double orange-yellow. Makes a fine contrast with Peachblow and Minneatus.

Minneatus—As gorgeous and fine as the best Peony and fully as large. Bush blooms when but a foot high. Blossoms a burning crimson, very double.

Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Otaheite Orange.

An extra fine pot plant, with glossy leaves, the true fragrant Orange blooms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two inch pot and we have seen a plant in a common window that was but 15 inches high and had 25 oranges on it. With good sunlight they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like the delicate, leafy sprays of bloom, so exquisite, dainty, lovely and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.. Extra large 40c. each.

Oleander

What home is complete without its tub of Oleander? A very attractive plant that can be grown in almost any soil or situation, kept growing all the year, or rested in the cellar. Its dark green, willow-like foliage is in itself neat and pleasing; but when it blooms it is beautiful beyond expression with its many large, delicate satin-like flowers.

Pink—Large blossoms of fine rosy-pink. Very double.

White—Magnificent large snow-white double blossoms.

Crimson—Fine deep crimson-red. Extra.

Yellow—Large and very beautiful.

Variegata—Leaves bordered with creamy white; flowers pink, very double. A magnificent plant, the contrast of foliage and delicate color of blossoms being very striking.

Price, 25c. each; the 5 for \$1.00.

Olea fragrans. (Fragrant Olive.)

A Most Glorious Everblooming Pot Plant

This is the sweetest flower that blooms, belongs to the Olive family and is a perpetual bloomer, never without flowers, either summer or winter, though the plant may not be a foot in height. The flowers are small, creamy white, and borne in clusters. Each individual blossom, though not larger than the head of a shawl-pin, has more sweetness than the largest and most fragrant Lily. Its fragrance is also delicate and charming, really the finest of all flowers, and you cannot pass a plant without noticing it. It succeeds well in any window. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Wonder Lemon.

A lemon that can be as easily grown in pots as a Geranium and which produces fruit weighing from one to three pounds each. These enormous fruits are borne on plants one to two feet high growing in 5 or 6 inch pots. It is ever-bearing and its fruit is delicious for lemonade and culinary purposes. It makes a beautiful specimen plant for the house. Has large deep green leaves and pure, waxy-like flowers, that are fragrant as Orange blossoms. The enormous lemons have a thin rind and are full of acid juice. Will thrive in any good soil, either indoors or out. 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Extra large 40c. each.

True Irish Shamrock.

We are glad to be able to offer the true Shamrock, as so many spurious plants have been called Shamrock and sold as such. This stock is genuine and thoroughly acclimated, having been grown here several years. A very beautiful pot plant with dark chocolate and green foliage. Each stem with 3 to 5 leaves, like 4-leaf clover. A lovely foliage plant that attracts great attention. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Streptosolen Amabilis Magnifica.

Absolutely the finest and freest-flowering pot plant in cultivation. It is not only in bloom every day of the year, but it is full of bloom all the time. How a plant can support such a wealth of flowers day after day, week after week, month after month and year after year is a mystery. The plant is entirely new and one of the easiest pot and window plants to grow that it is possible to find. It flowers from the time the plant leaves the cutting bed, no matter how small. Flowers large and of a rich dark blue color that is very attractive. It is, in fact, the best, and almost the only blue-flowering plant that is of easy culture and continuous flowering. It is one of the finest pot plants known. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

SANSEVERIA.

FUCHSIA

Fuchsias.

Well known and highly prized pot plants.

Elm City—Large double purple with scarlet sepals.

Glorie de Merches—Large double white with scarlet sepals. Very fine.

Trailing Queen—A lovely drooping habit, hanging down over the side of the pot, displaying a mass of beautiful foliage and large flowers of rosy scarlet and violet purple color. Flowers borne in great clusters.

15c. each; the 3 for 35c

Marguerite, Mrs. Fred Sander.

This superb double variety has created a sensation wherever exhibited. The color is snowy white; the growth is free; the stems long. It is in fact a plant which will eventually find a place in every garden, large or small. During the cool months of late autumn and winter it throws a small percentage of single flowers along with the doubles. Strong plants. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Sanseveria Zealanica.

There is scarcely a decorative plant listed that is more striking in foliage and habit than this, and certainly none other that will stand as much downright neglect and hardship. It will grow in a dark hall, a cool bedroom, or stand on the mantel in a heated room. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

LILY OF THE VALLEY
PLANT

Lily-of-the-Valley Plant.

A beautiful new plant of trailing or creeping habit, being best adapted for hanging pots or baskets. It has beautiful heart-shaped leaves and branches freely, growing in most fine symmetrical form. It is in bloom all the time, the pendulous blooms appearing at the axils of the leaves and are bell-shaped, pure white, and about the size, form and color of Lily-of-the-Valley. As a specimen pot or basket flower to be suspended in the window it is the finest thing of the sort we have ever seen. Grows very rapidly and makes a lovely plant in a short time. 15c. each; 2 for 25c.

PHOENIX
ROEBELINII.

Pbœnix Roebelinii.

The newest, and in every respect the finest and the most beautiful Palm grown, with the most graceful and beautiful foliage, and it is the most easily grown of all Palms, and just the one that will succeed in any window. Nothing can surpass it as a decorative plant. Finest Palm for outdoor culture in the Southern or Pacific States. The whole world has gone wild over it. We have the only large stock of it in America. 2 year old. 40c.; 3 for \$1.00. 3 year old \$1.00.

P. MELACOIDES.

MONARCH PRIMROSE.

Obconica or Monarch Primroses.

These are the new large-flowering Obconica-Sinensis Hybrids of various colors, as large and fine as Primula-Sinensis. Colors, pink, violet, bluish, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. They bloom very quickly from seed, and the large showy blossoms are borne constantly for a year, and when we realize that these flowers are as large as P. Sinensis, and almost as varied in colors, their great value is at once apparent. Plants very vigorous and as easily grown as a Geranium.

Seed—All colors mixed, 15c. per pkt.

Plants Mixed—Fine healthy stock, ready to bloom. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Primula Melacoides Alba—A novelty of this year. Graceful spirals of white flowers in profusion all the time. A perfectly exquisite little plant. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Rose Winter Gem.

The Greatest Pot Bloomer of all Fine Roses.

One of the greatest Roses, owing both to its beauty and unparalleled blooming qualities. It is a Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time, particularly during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long graceful stems, are of large size and a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite and the open flower full and double. It is the strongest, hardiest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in the year than 12 plants of ordinary Tea Roses. The blossoms are singularly beautiful in shape, color and poise, and most deliciously scented. More fragrant than any other Tea Rose. It is so strong and vigorous that it never mildews, and is a rapid grower, blooming at once from small outtings. The greatest Rose for amateurs and one that will positively bloom prodigiously in any window at all times of the year. Strong, well established plants, grown especially for winter blooming, and ready at once. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Baby Ramblers.

Most profuse and satisfactory of all pot or bedding Roses for general cultivation.

White Baby Rambler—A splendid bloomer and pure white in color.

Little Dorothy—Bush very dwarf and completely smothered in large bright pink blossoms at all times. Often 100 blooms in a cluster. It is one of the most attractive pot or garden plants ever grown, and always in bloom.

Alice Chambrion—Very light pink or blush. An exquisite color. Very distinct and sweet and just like Little Dorothy except in color.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

The 15 Grandest Hardy Flowering Shrubs.

Nothing can take the place of Shrubbery for the lawn, for hedges and specimen clumps. Shrubs thrive in any situation, are beautiful all summer, producing some of the choicest out-door blossoms. The list here offered is a select one, including only the very finest and most desirable new or rare and choice sorts.

PRICE—All Shrubs, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; or \$1.50 per dozen. Large specimens double price.

Azalea Amonea—A lovely hardy evergreen Azalea with beautiful foliage, and fine compact bushy growth. In May or June the plants are densely covered with rich violet-red blossoms, which are exceedingly showy. Every leaf and twig is hidden by the quantity of flowers.

Azalea Snowbank—This Azalea is perfectly hardy in the open ground anywhere, blooms profusely, the flowers being pure white, of the same size and general appearance as the well known greenhouse varieties (Indica). As a hardy flowering shrub it is most superb.

Deutzia Crenata Magnifica—A shrub of phenomenal beauty and unlike any other Deutzia. Stems large, bronze green, middle-sized leaves, pointed and finely toothed. Numberless flowers in the form of crowded panicles, round, opening in large, full, double blossoms. It blooms freely in May.

Clematis Davidiana—(BUSH CLEMATIS)—This is a lovely species of Clematis growing in a bush form three or four feet high, and yielding through the summer great panicles of lovely blue flowers, which are exceedingly handsome and very fragrant. The foliage is large and luxuriant, and the plant is, all in all, one of exceptional beauty. It is perfectly hardy in any locality.

Deutzia Lemoiniei—This is the greatest recent novelty in flowering shrubs. It makes a low compact bush which in June is loaded down with large, round, snow-ball-like clusters of pure white flowers. We know of nothing more beautiful for the garden, yet it has the added merit of being a grand pot plant for winter blooming. It is not too large for a pot and blossoms very finely at any time during winter. It is becoming very popular for Easter.

Deutzia Elegantissima Pink—Flowers borne on long branches or stems, straight and slender, carrying each fifteen to eighteen round blooms, well open, and of a beautiful light-rose color. This distinct shrub has a long flowering period and is one of the most beautiful we have ever seen.

Deutzia Elegantissima White—A sport from the above, and is exactly like it except in color which is pure white.

SNOWBALL.

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, lasting for two or three months, turning pinkish toward the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Hydrangea Snowball—This might be called a perpetual blooming *Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora*. It is certainly superior to that grand old sort, in that it begins blooming in May or June and continues in great profusion until frost, while the old variety only begins to bloom in August or September. The flowers of the Snowball *Hydrangea* are pure snow white, the clusters almost as round as a ball and large as a man's hat.

Syringa New Double—This is a new *Syringa* with flowers double the size of the old variety, of pure white color, and mostly very double like immense white roses. The bush begins to bloom when very small, but eventually grows to a considerable size, and the flowers are produced in greatest abundance during May and June, but it blooms to some extent all summer and fall. The abundance of flowers is marvelous, the shrub being literally smothered with the profusion of its large, pure, rose-like blossoms of powerful and unexcelled fragrance. Hardy and robust in any situation.

Spirea Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer, and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely dark crimson-red color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is beautiful.

Spirea Froebel—A glorious new *Spirea* surpassing *Anthony Waterer* as it is more dwarf, and broader in general effect. Flowers in immense flat cymes, very brilliant red in color and borne in such profusion that gives a fine glow of color even at a distance. One of the very finest new things.

Woolberry—Of dwarf, low branching habit, forming a dense globular bush with fine glaucous foliage and pink blossoms. Its special beauty however is in its great crop of beautiful round snow white berries which last well into the winter. Highly ornamental.

Finest Hardy Vines.

Clematis Paniculata—Clean, thrifty, robust-growing vine, of graceful habit with attractive glossy green foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered snow-white bloom of the most delicious fragrance.

Ampelopsis Veitchii—The best wall climber.

Honeysuckle, Golden Leaved—Perfect little leaves that are covered with a network of gold and green. Blossoms pure white.

Honeysuckle, Halliana—The best white.

Wistaria, Sinensis Magnifica—Clusters of lovely blue flowers produced in great masses.

Above fine Vines, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; \$1.60 per dozen.

Weigelia Eva Rathke—A grand New Everblooming *Weigelia*, producing great quantities of blooms all the season, in magnificent clusters on the terminal branches. Color, deep, rich, blood red, the finest color yet seen among *Weigelias*. A very valuable novelty and the finest all around flowering shrub.

Weigelia Rosea Variegata—Leaves light green heavily variegated with a creamy yellow, making a charming effect, but when its myriads of long, tubular, rose-colored blossoms are out, bending every branch to the ground we see one of the most magnificent flowers in cultivation. Do not miss it.

Privet for Hedges.

Nothing makes so fine a hedge, as the California Privet, which is perfectly hardy and almost evergreen, as its beautiful bright shining dark green leaves do not drop until nearly spring. Set plants 1 to 2 feet apart and trim to any length desired. Hedge will be so dense that a chicken can hardly get through it. Beautiful and neat at all times. Will grow to any height desired from 1 foot to 15. Fine stock 12 to 18 inches, 60c. per doz.; \$4.00 per 100; \$30 per 1000.

NEW GOLDEN PRIVET.

A most ornamental hedge or pot plant. It is like the common Privet except the leaves are golden yellow, or variegated, green and yellow. It is hardy and robust and as its leaves remain on all winter it is doubly useful and gives fine color effects. As a pot plant, or specimen for the lawn it is also fine and surpasses all other golden leaved plants. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; \$1.80 per dozen.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

The Fruit Garden is an indispensable part of any rural home. It is a delight, a satisfaction, a convenience, a profit, and a source of the most bountiful and delicious food supply any family can have. Beginning with the Strawberry in May, the supply is never exhausted until the last winter apples are used in May or June.

Cut from Photograph, Showing its Great Productiveness.

The Gardena Dewberry.

Positively the Finest and most Satisfactory Running Blackberry for Any Section, North, South, East or West.

A most wonderful berry, ripening an immense crop of fruit several weeks ahead of anything else in the Blackberry line. In some localities it ripens in May. Large, firm, of superior flavor, and attractive. A rampant grower and may be trellised like a grapevine. Roots from tips like Cap Raspberries. Those who have grown it consider it to be the greatest berry ever introduced. It certainly is if extreme earliness, enormous productiveness, and finest quality count for anything. Both here in Floral Park and California it is far ahead of all other berries in productiveness, quality and early ripening. Perfectly hardy, standing extreme cold, drouth and heat equally well. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50; 100 for \$10.00.

Iceberg. (The White Blackberry.)

One of Luther Burbank's creations. It bears loads of delicious, snowy berries which are not only white, but so transparent that the seeds, which are unusually small, may be seen in the ripe berries. Clusters larger than those of Lawton; berries at least as large; earlier, sweeter and more tender and melting throughout. No garden complete without this grand White Blackberry. It is a most deliciously sweet and prolific sort, and succeeds finely anywhere. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.75.

Blower's Giant Blackberry.

The Finest Garden Blackberry in Cultivation.

BLOWER'S BLACKBERRY.

This remarkable new sort throws up canes as high as 14 feet, 8220 quarts of fruit to the acre and as many as 2694 berries on a single bush; \$744.00 worth of berries has been sold from a single acre in one season. Really a marvel in new fruits. There is no high bush Blackberry that can equal this in productiveness, quality of fruit, hardness and vigor of growth. It is so very far ahead of all the many garden varieties in cultivation today that it is really in a class by itself, especially in size and productiveness. People who have tried Blower's Giant will grow no other Blackberry. The Experiment Stations that have tried it say it outranks all others, and there is no doubt about it. Our stock is large, fine and absolutely true.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.
or \$10.00 per 100.

The Three Grandest Standard Grapes.

The following are the very best of all standard grapes and represent three colors, white, red, purple. They thrive anywhere that any grape will grow, and are the greatest favorites in all localities. No one should be without these three sorts, and no one can have too many of them. For the benefit of our customers in all parts of the country we have grown immense stocks of them that we may be able to offer them extremely cheap.

Niagara—This is the finest white grape grown. Berry and bunches, large, sweet, pulpy and fine flavored. Very prolific.

Brighton—A large beautiful red grape of most exquisite flavor.

Worden—Immense size, rich purple color and superb quality. No purple or black variety can compare with it.

PRICE of these 3 wonderful Grapes, 20c. each; the 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.50.

New Hybrid Grape Caco.

A hardy out door grape, equal in quality to any hot house variety. It is a cross between Catawba and Concord and has had more than 10 years of severe test, and is to-day the VERY FINEST GRAPE GROWN. Surpassing in tenderness of pulp, luscious flavor and aroma with great sweetness and juiciness. Rich sparkling wine red. Bunch large and compact. Berry medium to large and nearly round. Season early; a little in advance of Concord. Skin thin and tough. Berry adheres firmly to bunch. A superior shipper and keeper. Exempt from both black-rot and brown-rot; and all other diseases. Vine of extreme vigor—a stronger grower than the Concord—and ironclad hardihood. A heavy annual yielder—as prolific as Concord. Foliage similar to Concord and of like freedom from mildew. Entirely without foxiness in odor or flavor.

Strong one year vines, 50c. each; \$5.00 per dozen.

Two year vines, 75c. each; \$7.50 per dozen.

New Everbearing Berries.

The wonderful success of the new Fall or Everbearing Strawberries and Fall Bearing Raspberry St. Regis, will make these three new Fall bearing berries at once popular and in good demand.

Ranere Everbearing Raspberry.

Ranere has a remarkable constitution, withstanding the severest winter as well as severe drouth; does well on heavy soil or on light sandy soil; is a strong grower with luxuriant foliage that never suffers from sunburn. The fruit is of largest size, a beautiful brilliant crimson, highest quality, firm, and an excellent shipper.

If planted early, Ranere will yield ripe fruit in June of the same year. The fruit will be correspondingly heavier as the growth increases. The fruit will keep in good condition longer than any red raspberry known.

A piece containing less than two acres of Ranere yielded a crop in June, 1912 (the second year of bearing), that netted the grower \$400. This same piece had a heavy crop on Aug. 30, 1912, and continued to ripen until frost.

The fall crop is borne on the tips of the new canes.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Everbearing Raspberry, St. Regis.

This is one of the earliest of all red raspberries; beginning to ripen in June just as the strawberry crop is waning.

It is wonderfully prolific; the first or main crop being far greater than that of any other red variety known.

It gives a crop of fruit all summer and autumn, fruiting on the old canes in generous quantities until late in August. By this date, berries begin to ripen up on the young, i. e., current year's canes, which continue to produce berries in increasing numbers until late autumn.

These berries are a bright crimson, of large size and surpassing quality, rich, sugary with full raspberry flavor. As a shipper it is unexcelled.

The canes are of stocky, strong growth with a great abundance of dark green leathery leaves, that never scald nor sunburn. It succeeds upon all soils, whether light and sandy or cold heavy clay.

St. Regis is of pure American blood and of iron-clad hardness; the canes endure severest cold uninjured and are wonderfully prolific. All things considered this is one of the very greatest fruit novelties of our generation. Unlike other so-called Everbearing Raspberries, which fruit only in early summer, and a little in late fall when weather conditions are favorable, St. Regis is a perpetual bearer at all times and under all conditions.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Black Raspberry, Cliff King.

A remarkable new black cap which produces enormous crops in fall as well as early summer. Earliest and latest.

This is truly a wonderful raspberry, actually bears fruit from June till November, or till frost.

The earliest of all black raspberries. Berries firm, jet glossy black and a delicious flavor; seeds very small, berry compact and uniform large size. Canes of iron-clad hardness, enduring the severest cold uninjured, and are wonderfully prolific. It is a great drouth resister and bears well when others fail.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Everbearing Blackberry, La Grange.

A Russian product and is the hardiest berry yet produced. When the berries from first bloom are about two-thirds grown, there comes on a second crop of bloom as profuse as the first; keeping this rotation of blooming up till late in summer, remaining in bearing 50 to 65 days. Practically everbearing.

It is enormously productive, one-ninth of an acre yielding 571 quarts. Rev. J. R. Reasoner estimated 5,000 quarts per acre on ordinary land.

The La Grange is free from any hard core and most delicious. The best, hardiest and largest berry yet produced, sixty-five berries filling a quart box.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Price, of these glorious Fall bearing Raspberries and Blackberry, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. 1 each of the 4, 70c.; 4 each of the four \$2.00; any sort at 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00; 100 for \$10.00.

Two Great New Raspberries.

Early Surprise—This ripens WEEKS ahead of every other Raspberry. It might almost be called a spring fruiting sort. Berries in clusters on every branch from ground to tip. Its fruiting period covers nearly two months hence doubly valuable for both market and the home.

The King—Berries large, brilliant red and very beautiful. Strong, sturdy grower and a great cropper. It ripens its enormous crop very quickly and is fine for market as the berries hold their brilliant color a long time. Best garden variety for general cultivation.

PRICE—These two great Raspberries, 75c. per dozen; \$5.00 per 100; \$40.00 per 1000.

NEW STRAWBERRY EARLY OZARK.

3 Choice Strawberries.

For Fall planting. Plants ready Aug. 30th.

Of all fruits known to cultivation, the Strawberry is conceded to be the most luscious, and is a universal favorite; yet it is not grown by one-half the people who might grow it just as well as not. It is but a few hours work to plant a Strawberry bed and care for it during the year, and no work can possibly yield a better return. - Strawberries bought in the market are not to be compared with the luscious ruby beauties, fresh and ripe, from the vines.

EARLY OZARK. The First and Best.

This is not only the very earliest Strawberry to ripen, but it is the most vigorous and luxuriant grower we have ever seen. Berries firm, glossy, of a deep rich red color and extra good quality. It is large and productive to a remarkable degree and hardy and robust. There is no doubt about its being the earliest Strawberry and the best extra early.

NORWOOD. The Monster.

The Norwood is the LARGEST strawberry in existence. Plant is strong and healthy, berry conic and regular in shape; quality unsurpassed and the size unequalled, some attaining the enormous size of three inches in diameter. Four such berries would fill a box. Color, bright red, is firm, a good keeper and will ship well. Has a perfect blossom and holds its size through the season and remains in bearing a full month.

KEVITT'S WONDER. The Cook's favorite

This is really a wonder in many ways. The berry parts easily from the calyx, therefore the easiest to prepare for the table. It covers every point of merit, a berry of high rank, exceeding the limit for productiveness, firmness, color, flavor and shape of the berries, which is a striking feature. An ideal strawberry. It is a berry that contains no acid; a berry that has very few seeds, that is mild and sweet; a berry that may be shipped to distant markets and arrive in a perfect, sound condition. In short Kevitt's Wonder has proved with us to be the very best all around sort we have ever tried, and we feel that we cannot recommend it too highly, for it is bound to please in all parts of the country, by its many sterling and unusual merits.

PRICE—50c. per dozen; 12 each of the 3 sorts for \$1.00.; \$2.50 per 100.

New Giant Prolific Gooseberry.

A seedling originating near Floral Park, and has been fruited for several years. For hardiness and vigor of growth freedom from mildew, size and quality of fruit, it has no equal. Berries very large, light amber in color when ripe; sweet and pulpy, of enormous size and borne in a profusion never before seen. It is by far the most superb Gooseberry known. Stock limited. 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Grape-Vine Blackberry.

This is certainly a most wonderful fruit and is called Grape-Vine Blackberry, because it grows on trellis or trees like a Grapevine, the vines not dying down after fruiting as is the case with all other Blackberries, but continue to live and grow year after year like a Grape-vine. It will grow as long and as rapidly as a grape-vine, bearing in prodigious quantity large, luscious blackberries from the middle of July until October. In quantity or weight of fruit it will out-yield the grape three times, and ripening as it does over a long period of time makes it immensely valuable. As to hardiness there is no winter anywhere in America severe enough to kill it. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

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New and True, Large Fruited Fall Bearing Strawberries.

(Extra Fine and Cheap this Fall)

There has been so much disappointment over so-called Fall-bearing Strawberries in years past, that we have hesitated about offering the new sorts listed below and do it only after two or three years of careful trial which has proved beyond question of doubt that **Americus**, **Productive**, **Iowa** and **Superb** are true and reliable fall-bearers of the large-fruited types. They have been grown in all parts of the country, in different soils and climates, and are the same everywhere. They differ from other Strawberries only in that they blossom and fruit continuously from June till November, but the crop in September and October is the largest, and may be made much heavier if the blossoms are kept picked off up to August. Parties in this state are now growing these varieties, and shipping crates of berries as late as the second week in November and receiving enormous prices. Young plants set out this fall or spring will produce a good crop of berries next fall, and all the runners they make will fruit freely from spring until fall, of next year, while the plants set this fall, which will then be established, will produce berries in such numbers as to be almost beyond belief. They require nothing special in the way of cultivation. Any conditions that will produce a good crop of ordinary garden Strawberries will suit these fall or everbearers. All have perfect flowers.

By all means plant a few of these wonderful berries this fall to make stock for the future, as everybody will want them when they see what they really are.

AMERICUS.

Superb—Plants fine growers with vigorous healthy foliage. Berries are very large, glossy, regular shape and beautiful color. This is perhaps the very best all round variety. Runner plants often bear fruit a month after they take root. 75c. per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

Productive—Plants model growers; strong, deep-rooted and hardy. Berries medium to large in size, and ship well. Flavor, extra fine. The crop produced by this variety is simply enormous, berries laying about the plants in heaps and piles. 75c. per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

Americus—Plants medium size with a heavy root system, and the blossoms strongly staminate. Fruit light red, heart-shaped and of good quality. Stems stout, holding the fruit well off the ground. It is not uncommon for spring-set plants to produce from six to twelve well-loaded fruit stalks by the end of October. \$1.50 per doz.

Iowa—A very large and fine new fall bearer of great promise. We believe it will prove to be extra fine in every way. \$1.50 per dozen.

12 plants each of **Superb** and **Productive**, and 6 plants each of **Americus** and **Iowa** for \$2.00.

STRAWBERRY SEED.

Fall bearing Strawberries are easily grown from seed the plants fruiting the first year in most cases. Per pkt., 15c.

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Second Edition Revised and Enlarged—with Illustrations.

I have written this book containing 20 true stories, not to sell at a profit, but to please the children of my customers.

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Gotham's Alert Critics Discover Season's

New York, Nov. 29.

THE New York reviewers said almost everything of "The Misleading Lady," which made its first appearance at Fulton Theater on Tuesday night, except that it is a good play. The critic of the New York Times calls it a "theatrical crazy quilt;" Burns Mantel in the Evening Mail calls it a succession of "scenes without a shred of logic or sanity to hold them together," and Charles Darn-ton opened his review with this gentle bit: "Of all the fool plays inflicted upon an amazed public since 'The Smoldering Flame,' went up the flue, 'The Misleading Lady,' brought out at the Fulton Theater is the most asinine. This idiotic rot by Charles Goddard and Paul Dickey proved so bad that it was funny." Acton Davies wrote: "The play early went to pieces on account of many foolish things. The second act had most of 'Believe Me, Xantippe's' business, and scarcely any of its drama."

And if the leading lady, Inez Buck, is mislead, she seems to be the only one, the audience included, who is led at all. Everybody from the start knows just where the climax will bring up, but just what will be the route followed thereto is carefully shrouded in mystery, mystery resulting from the lack of logical sequence in the plot's development.

One of the central figures of the comedy—it is called a comedy by the authors—is a pathetic, sentimental, and harmless lunatic escaped from a private sanitarium. The poor off-the-handle creature imagines himself the great little Corsican, leading armies to battle, conferring with generals, reviewing his adoring troopers, and formulating plans for the conquest of the whole inhabited globe. This quite unusual comedy character is always threading in and out of the play's theme and action, and his final exit is accomplished by his being retaken by his keepers. Bestowing upon his keeper the honor of creating him a marshal of France, the pathetic figure, created in the play to be funny, but really bringing tears instead of laughter to the audience, goes quietly back to the sanitarium, where the keepers sympathetically sing "The Marsellaise," that his harmless delusion may not be dispelled.

But there's nothing so pathetic about the lady herself. She is an amateur actress lady who so ardently desires to prove to a manager that she is the proper person to create a siren part in his forthcoming production that she sets about compelling a proposal from a half-tamed man-person just returned from various and sundry years in the wilds of Patagonia. Of course, to become the wedded wife of this Jack Craigen is not in the least what the lady meant. She informs him very soon after she has him securely snared that she is affianced to another.

Mr. Craigen, however, has some very definite notions concerning women, notions very much like the Avonish bard gave to Petruchio. He loves this dashing maiden, and he will have her. Without much

adieu he bundles up the protesting and misleading one and forthwith flees with her to his mountain lodge. Arrived there he proceeds on the ancient theory expressed in the couplet which starts out, "a woman, a spaniel, and a walnut tree," and altogether the lady has a bad time of it. As a final portion in the subjugation, Mr. Craigen unchains his dog and chains up the lady. In retaliation she hits him a gentle knockout with a telephone standard and then instead of running away as she evidently intended to do, she weeps and gets her gone for a first aid to the injured, his prostrate manly form having brought to her the

knowledge that she loves her Patagon master.

There are numerous other complications, among them a dog which discovers a woodchuck's hole, various persons without tangible excuses wander around the mountainside on a dark stormy night, and firearms enough to stock an arsenal.

The play, whatever its merits, was never well acted, only the excellent work of Lewis Stone as the Patagonian and Frank Sylvester as Beney deserving a mention.

Cyril Maude appeared in his premiere performance of "Grumpy" at Wallack

A Real All-Star Cast

William H. Crane, Douglas Fairbanks, Amelia Bingham, and Patricia Collinge in "The New Henrietta."

the telephone already is installed in most residences, as well as in practically all business houses.

Thus it would seem that government ownership of telephone lines must be of greater importance in the long run than government ownership of the telegraphs. At the same time it is likely that the telephone will always be cheaper than the telegraph service over very long distances.

A rather curious thing to be considered is that the cost of telephone service increases with the number of persons to be served. One might say this was a matter of course. But the point is that

understood when it is realized that each additional subscriber must be placed in communication with all the others. Any schoolboy can see how it works by doing a sum on his slate.

One-Cent Calls.

Nevertheless, when the government takes hold of the telephones we shall have 2-cent local calls and eventually probably 1-cent calls. And it is likely that we shall pay no more than 50 cents for a conversation over a distance of 500 miles.

Where the mails are concerned the

country out of the hands of the express companies, whose profits, described in a congressional report as "utterly egregious and out of all proportion to investment," have been derived from charges averaging fifteen times the regular freight rates of the railroads employed to transport the goods.

There is no imaginable reason why the government should not accomplish for the telegraph and telephone services what it already does for the mails, with a corresponding reduction of cost to the people. A few years from now, when anybody wants to send a telegram he will go to

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clock. She telephoned Mr. Montague's office again, but was unable to find him. She questioned Miss Edith about her mother's condition previous to her sending for me, and she informed me that her mother had complained about her head when she arose that morning, and

that she also spoke of dimness of vision and severe pains in her stomach. After the death of Mrs. Montague, I asked Miss Edith to call her friends in the adjoining apartment to stay with her until her father came home. She did this, and in the meantime I called up the

coroner's office, and notified them of the case.

Showed No Emotion.

"Several days after the death of Mrs. Montague I received a call from Mr. Montague, at which time he told me that he had called a Dr. Foster on the night of her death to ascertain if she was really dead. I questioned him about Mrs. Montague's habits, as to whether she was addicted to drugs. He told me that she was not. He described to me the same symptoms as the daughter had previously told me of, and he said he had advised her to lie down and keep as quiet as possible. During the time I was with Mrs. Montague previous to her death I failed to find any evidence of paralysis. There was no deep breathing or frothing at the mouth. She would have seemed to be quietly sleeping to a casual observer, with the exception of an occasional moan. Mr. Montague did not seem at all put out by his wife's death, but took it as a matter of course. The daughter, however, plainly showed her grief and distress. The girl did not seem to be particularly bright; she was anemic and in poor health."

On June 20 Mr. Clemens received from Dr. Francis W. Foster, also of Jackson boulevard, whose name was mentioned in Dr. Hyde's statement, the following report: "Between 6 and 7 o'clock p. m. on May 4, 1905, a Mr. Montague, living in the Euclid apartment house in West Harrison street, called me up on the telephone, saying, 'a doctor' had pronounced his wife dead, but that he did not believe him, and on the recommendation of patients of mine in the same house, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Blackford, he wished me to call to see his wife. I went at once, and found the body of his wife showing considerable rigor mortis and in the pendant parts of the body quite marked mottling, showing stasia of circulation. Mrs. Montague was said to have been very heavy and listless during the day, which condition increased to actual coma from which she could not be aroused. Mrs. Blackford subsequently told me that Mrs. Montague had suffered terribly with pains in her stomach, for which she had taken a large amount of Jamaica ginger (I think she said that two half-pint bottles had been drunk within 24 hours). The ginger was said to have been bought at the apothecary's on the corner in the same building. I did not sign any certificate of death. I was paid for my call, thanked for the assurance I had given,

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