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NOVELTIES
and SPECIALTIES
in SEEDS, BULBS
and PLANTS.

CHILD'S SPECTACULAR ROSE

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, FLORAL PARK, N.Y.

Childs' Spectacular Rose.

The most novel and beautiful Rose ever grown. (SEE FRONT COVER)

A CHANCE sport has finally given to the world what Florists have striven for ages to produce, namely a striped and variegated modern Rose that is pronounced and distinct, and that will hold its character. Not only does Spectacular fill these requirements, but in size, shape and beauty of bud it is one of the very largest and finest of all Everblooming Roses. This can be readily understood when we say it is a sport from the famous Killarney, (which is recognized as the most beautiful Everbearing Rose in cultivation,) and just like it in every respect, except its glorious, sparkling, pink color is widely striped, blotched and variegated with pure white. In some flowers the pink will predominate. In others the white.

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PLANT a vigorous, healthy, free grower, blooming the year round; buds exceedingly large with wide petals and long, pointed-shape, like Tulips. In fact, the buds are so very large they have often been taken for Tulips. It is also hardy in the open ground in this latitude. No Rose can excel it in beauty of form or size and none can equal it in exquisite colors and fascinating beauty.

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BY JOHN LEWIS CHILDS

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Tower, Curley, Merne and Swipes
A Week on the Dismal
The Little Life of Little Helen
The Life and Death of Dicky
Dorothy (Story of the Cal. Earth-quake)

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The Little Grave at Noyac
The Tragedy of Blue Peter
Robbing an Eagle's Nest
The Coming of the Snowy Owl
The Screams that Haunt
A Day's Outing

The Weird Flute
Edward
A Vulture Tragedy
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The Wonderful Dahlia of Many Colors.

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Giant Comet—Plants tall and of much vigor, while the flowers are of such extraordinary size that they may without contest be said to be the largest of any in existence. Flowers are formed of largest twisted and curled petals, and look exactly like the most refined forms of Japanese Chrysanthemum. They must therefore take first place among Asters of unique beauty. Many colors mixed..... 10 Per pkt.

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Think of getting Carnations in flower from seed in about four months, which last through the winter, and of various colors, white, pink, scarlet, purple, red, striped, mottled, flaked, variegated, etc. A most important recent novelty. They are alike valuable for pot culture and for garden. Do not sow cheap Marguerite Carnation seed; it will disappoint you.

Per pkt.

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Pure White—Extra fine.....10

Rosea—Fine, clear rose color.....10

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Violet—Fine violet color.....10

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New Dwarf—Plant of dwarf stout habit, and flowers extra large sized and brilliant in colors. All colors mixed...15

Malmaison—The flowers are simply enormous in size, perfectly double, of a delicate blush color, and strong clove-fragrance. Growth very stout.....15

One pkt. each of the ten above offered for 75c.

Dimorphotheca Aurantiaca.

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Heliotrope.

NEW EARLY-FLOWERING MAMMOTH.

This new strain of Heliotrope blooms in a short time from seed, and plants are as easily raised from seed as Pansies or Asters. The seedlings make a rapid growth and are in bloom in a short time. They bloom abundantly in the garden all summer or the year round in pots. The panicles of bloom are often six inches across, three times as large as ordinary Heliotrope, while the colors range from indigo-black through all shades of blue to almost pure white, and some with red tints, others with large white eye. In fragrance they seem to surpass the ordinary sorts. A packet of this seed will furnish a bed of flowers for your garden or lawn which would cost several dollars were you to purchase the plants, and give you great handfuls of delicious blossoms all summer.

Per pkt.

Mixed—All colors, white, violet, blue, purple, etc.....15

Garden Pinks, Early Flowering.

A great novelty. We all remember the great bunches of spicy double pink Pinks that bloomed so sweetly in nearly every old garden. These new Pinks are the same, only they bloom the first summer from spring sown seed. The flowers also present an array of fine colors, ranging from white, through different shades of pink to crimson, some light ones with rich dark centers. Some will be double, others single, and it is hard to tell which are the most beautiful. All have that rich and beautiful fragrance so prized in the old Garden Pinks. Habit very dwarf and compact, one plant often showing a hundred blossoms. Not only do they bloom profusely in June but to a considerable extent all summer and fall. All colors mixed.....10

Childs' Cosmos.

A grand fall flower, the only rival to the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum. Sow seed early in the spring and plants will bloom from September to November.

Childs' Hybrids Mixed—All colors mixed, white, crimson, pink, rose, purple, etc..... 5

Giant Fancy, Mixed Colors—A new giant-flowered strain of marvelous size and beauty. The individual flowers measure 4, 5 and 6 inches across and as they are borne on long graceful stems, the effect is charming. No description can do justice to the beauty of this new strain. The flowers are borne in great profusion and the plants begin blooming early. All colors mixed....10

Julia B. Lee—This new strain, sown in the open ground at corn-planting time, will commence blooming in July-10

Lantana Early Gleam.

Flowers in a Few Weeks From Seed.

New, and seed will produce fine flowering plants in two to three months, the plants continuing to flower most profusely all summer and fall in the garden and all the year round in pots. Habit dwarf, compact, and bushy, loaded down with bright blossoms all the time. Colors white, crimson, orange, yellow, rose, pink, etc. No novelty has proved more satisfactory than this, either for the garden or for pots. Very easily grown in any soil, climate or situation. Per pkt.

Trochere —Crimson red, yellow center.....		5
Bole —Beautiful rose, yellow center.....	The five	5
Francein —Rosy lilac, cream center.....	sorts	5
Snow Queen —Pure white.....	for 12c.	5
Lemon Gem —Fine straw yellow.....		5
Mixed —Some 20 different colors.....		10

Candytuft.

This good old annual has been a garden favorite for three hundred years. A fine edging plant, and good for cutting. Sow very early in the open ground. Per pkt.

All Colors Mixed—Fine shades..... 5

Pure White—A favorite for floral work..... 5

Tom Thumb—Mixed colors. Bushy plants, only 4 to 5 inches high, bearing profusely compact spirals of bloom, 5

Dwarf Large Flowering—This new form grows only four to eight inches high, branching freely and producing clusters of bloom which in size and beauty are far superior to any of the older sorts. The bloom is so massive that nothing but a sheet of color is seen, and the colors run through all shades from purplish crimson, lilac, rose, pink, bluish to white. A plant will produce four to five times as much bloom as the older varieties. Many fine colors mixed.....10

DWARF
NASTURTIUMS.

Dwarf Nasturtiums.

If we were asked to name the six best annuals, the Nasturtium would be one of them. They are so easy to grow that a six-year-old child could plant them and care for them, and they have every good quality of a bedding plant—compact habit, attractive foliage, intensely bright and beautiful flowers, borne profusely the whole season, not troubled by insects, and standing dry weather well. Do not let seed form, and plant on thin soil. Per pkt.

- Lady Bird**—Beautiful yellow, stained deep crimson. 5
Empress of India—Dark purple foliage and very dark, rich crimson flowers. Grand for edging or ribbon beds. 10
King Theodore—Darkest of all, almost black in color. 5
Golden King—One of the loveliest shades of yellow. 5
Coccinea—Bright, flashing scarlet. 5
Pearl—The nearest white. Good for contrast. 5
Rose—A lovely soft shade of rose. 5
Spotted—Gorgeous in colors and markings. 5
King of Tom Thumbs—Deep velvety scarlet, with handsome dark foliage. Very fine. 5
Ruby King—An elegant new sort, with flowers of large size and rich ruby color. A grand sort. 10
Golden Leaved—Very brilliant flowers ranging from scarlet to yellow, and golden yellow foliage. The contrast is most striking and the effect beautiful. As garden or pot plants they are unique, combining highly ornamental foliage and showy flowers. Mixed colors. Oz. 30c. 10
Dwarf Caprice—Like the climbing variety, except it is dwarf. It bears large blossoms in abundance, some of which will be yellow, some crimson, some rose, and others beautifully mottled and variegated. 10
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. Truly they are "Babies." Many colors mixed. 5
 One packet each of the above 12 for 50c.

- Tom Thumb Fine Mixed**—Per oz., 20c.; per lb., \$1.50. 5
Giant-Flowered Tom Thumb, Mixed—The blossoms are simply enormous in size, and there is a marvelous range of colors and an infinite variety of new shades. 3 pkts., 20c.; oz., 30c.; lb., \$2.00. 10

CLIMBING NASTURTIUMS.

Climbing Nasturtiums can be used as bedders by pegging the long shoots to the ground, as low climbers for window or screen, or used as house climbers in winter. They are never molested by insects, and are quick, clean growers that soon cover themselves with flowers of the brightest, richest colors. They withstand heat and drought well. Per pkt.

- Mixed All Colors**—Very fine. Oz., 20c. 5

Early Hollyhocks. Per pkt.

Early Flowering—A new strain of Hollyhock which grows quickly and flowers in August and September from spring sown seed in the open ground. Flower stalks are not quite so tall as other Hollyhocks, but the flowers are large, showy and of various colors, both double and single. Mixed colors. 10

DWARF GIANT MARIGOLD.

Marigold.

Petted by our grandmother, neglected by our mothers, now once more on the high wave of popularity. Bright, showy flowers, that need only the slightest care. Per pkt.

- French, Mixed Colors**—Double flowers, rich, dark shade. 5
Dahlia Flowered—Very rank and tall, studded with enormous double Dahlia-like flowers. The colors range from the palest canary yellow to a deep, full orange. 5
Dwarf Giant Flowered—This is of the French class and grows only twelve to fifteen inches high while the flowers are as large and double as those of the African class and of the richest colors imaginable. Some will be pure golden-yellow, others rich velvety crimson-brown, others will be striped, or bordered, while some will have a golden center surrounded by a rich band of dark color, and others will be quartered or halved. 10

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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. Per pkt.

Large-Flowering, Choicest 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 Flery 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—The richest colored Pansy yet introduced, and comes quite true from seed. Flowers large and of a rich dark ruby-red, and having a texture like velvet.....10

Azure Blue—Lovely light or sky blue..... 5

Trimardeau Giant, Mixed Colors—These are famous for their extraordinary size, though the form is not so perfect as the Imperial German..... 5

Masterpiece—One of the greatest novelties in Pansies, the border of every petal being conspicuously curled and fluted. The plants are exceedingly free flowering, vigorous, strong and hardy, and the numerous blossoms large and showy during the entire spring, summer and autumn.....10

One pkt. each of above 12 different colors for 60c.

Childs' Imperial German Pansies.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now the leading favorite throughout the world. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. 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

Jennings' Pansies.

A wonderful new strain of Pansy which has been developed in Conn., but which we have grown in Europe. The flowers are truly the **LARGEST** and **FINEST COLORED** we have ever seen. Among a lot we had last spring some of the blossoms measured $4\frac{1}{4}$ inches across and there were new and fantastic colors that we had never before seen among Pansies. All colors and shades were represented. No amount of praise can do full justice to them..... D- 20

TUFTED
PANSY

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 plants possess to a considerable extent the hardy and robust nature of the Violet, and make splendid pot as well as garden plants. The range of colors runs through white, buff, canary and azure-blue and the coloring of each is exceedingly delicate and charming. For borders and beds they are just superb, each plant showing from 50 to 100 blossoms all the time. For early spring blooming they surpass all other Pansies.....10

Childs' Giant Excelsior Pansies.

It is impossible to do justice to these lovely flowers in a printed description. Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form and great substance of the blossoms. 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

SPENCER HYBRIDS.

Sweet Peas.

Everyone who has a yard ought to grow quantities of this sweetest of all flowers, that is not only a beautiful low-growing vine for gardens and decoration, but one of the most useful of all in furnishing material for vases, bouquets, and all cut flower work. Plant quantities of these lovely flowers and cut them with a lavish hand. Their presence will bring pleasure to the sick room, adorn your friends otherwise empty vases, and make happy the flower-hungry children within pretty yards and flowers of their own. For every flower you pick, two will come to fill its place. Easy to grow anywhere if sown early, very early. For the largest and finest blossoms, dig a trench six inches deep, put in two inches of rotten manure, a little earth, and sow the seed over this three inches apart in the row, covering an inch and a half deep. Do this as early as the ground can possibly be worked in the spring.

SUPERB SPENCER HYBRIDS MIXED.

This is the greatest Sweet Pea Mixture ever offered. All new Spencer Hybrids, with the enormous blossoms 4 in a cluster on long graceful stems and of every color, tint and blend yet seen among Sweet Peas. Those who plant this mixture can feel sure they have the very finest Sweet Peas. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.25.

BEST SPENCER SWEET PEAS.

Spencer Sweet Peas are noted for their extra large and beautifully shaped blossoms. In this respect they outclass all other sorts, while their season of blooming is much longer. Four blossoms usual on long stems.

- Asta Onu Spencer—Fine lavender.
- Countess Spencer—Exquisite soft rosy pink.
- Beatrice Spencer—White tinted pink and buff.
- Capt. of Blues Spencer—Large and perfect, standard purple, wings bright blue.
- Flora Norton Spencer—Large wavy wings. Lovely light blue.
- Lovely Spencer—A beautiful blending of pink and white.
- Mrs. Routzahde Spencer—Soft straw color, tinted blush, pink and apricot, with a lovely rosy margin.
- Apple Blossom Spencer—All that the name implies.
- Mrs. Sanky Spencer—Finest snow white.
- Tennant Spencer—Exquisite mauve.
- Helen Lewis Spencer—Orange-rose and crimson.
- Geo. Herbert Spencer—Bright carmine, beautifully fluted.

10c. per pkt.; the 12 for \$1.00.

17 Grandest New Sweet Peas.

ALL AT 5c. PER PKT., 10c. PER OZ.

- America—Beautiful striped white and cardinal.
- Capt. of Blues—Fine large blue, lavender shaded.
- Dandy—White, pink edges. Very delicately colored.
- Dorothy Eckford—Largest and finest pure white.
- Extra Early Blanche Ferry—Rosy pink, white wings.
- Hon. Mrs. E. Kenyon—Large fine primrose yellow.
- King Edward—Bright scarlet. A solid deep color.
- Lady G. Hamilton—Splendid bright lavender.
- Lady Mary Currie—Largest, brightest and best of the pinks.
- Navy Blue—Best dark navy blue.
- Othello—Deep maroon, almost black. A rich and odd color.
- Royal Rose—Standard deep rose, shaded with lighter pink; very light pink wings. Very large blossoms.
- Stella Morse—Primrose-yellow, tinged with blush-pink.
- Crimson Cluster—Clusters contain from 5 to 8 large magnificent blossoms of the richest crimson-scarlet.
- Nora Unwin—Pure white, finely waved and fluted.
- Phyllis Unwin—Elegant deep rich rose.
- Frank Dolby (UNWIN)—Beautiful lavender.

5c. per pkt.; 10c. per oz. The 17 sorts, 1 pkt. each, for 50c.

Our Grand Large-Flowering Mixed Sweet Peas—The finest mixture possible, as only the largest-flowered or "Grandiflora" type is used. More than 100 different colors; perfectly magnificent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; ¼lb., 25c.; ½lb., 40c.; 1 lb., 75c.

Double Sweet Peas.

The new double sorts produce flowers nearly half of which will be double and very beautiful.

Double Mixed Sweet Peas—Several colors. Per pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; lb., \$1.00.

Bush Sweet Peas.

This new Pea grows in dense bush form, about 12 inches high and requires no support; in this respect much like a bush bean. The flowers are large and fine. We grow a most superb mixture of about 40 different sorts. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

DWARF "CUPID" SWEET PEAS.

This is a dwarf Sweet Pea, the plant growing only five inches high. Mixed colors Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.

Poppies.

Universal garden favorites from the days of our grandmothers. There is nothing more grand than the silky blooms of the single Poppies, nodding at the apex of their long wiry stalks like so many tropical butterflies that a passing zephyr might waft from their airy perch. There is nothing more gorgeous than the double Poppies, bursting with fullness, glowing with color, and like great Peonies, or Snowballs in size. There are few flowers easier to grow. Do not wait for warm weather to sow your seed, but sow very early in the spring.

Improved Shirley—No better flower seed novelty has been offered than this new strain of Shirley Poppy.

Habit of plant dwarf and stout; blossoms of enormous size, and of the most charming colors to be found in any flowers. No display can surpass a bed of these Poppies. A great improvement over ordinary Shirleys.

Childs' Great Peony-Flowered—A strain perfected after years of careful selection. Plants attain a height of three feet or more, and bear many flowers of most brilliant colors. Large and double like fine Peonies.

Peacock—Dazzling fiery scarlet flowers with vivid black centers, and borne on long wiry stems.

Snowdrift—Flowers as pure as the driven snow, large, double and full, yet soft and loose like a great ball of snow. A mass of it in bloom is a grand sight. Its habit of growth is stout and compact, not attaining the height of most other large Poppies, which makes its enormous blossoms show to better advantage.

Rosebud—Dainty flowers like silken rosettes, cupped like Roses. Some of them are exquisitely mottled and shaded, while others are solid colors, margined with other shades. The coloring is something wonderful, and must be seen to be appreciated. Intense scarlet, crimson, pink, white, blush, mottled, fringed etc.

One packet each of the 5 for 25c.

ALL POPPIES MIXED.

Poppies grow so rapidly and flower so quickly that they may be planted anywhere for a showy mass or for cutting. A large packet of more than 50 sorts.

Portulaca.

The Portulaca will stand more abuse than almost any other flower. It does not like deep shade, or wet damp soil, but in any other situation they only ask the sowing: they will take care of themselves afterwards. The dryer the weather and hotter the sun, the more they flourish, carpeting the ground with their mat of succulent foliage that during the fore part of the day is almost hidden by clouds of gay blossoms in every color of the rainbow. Fine for bordering walks, rock work and bedding. Beautiful in ribbon beds, and they can be transplanted even in full bloom.

Grandiflora Mixed Colors—White, crimson, rose, scarlet, yellow, striped, etc. Very brilliant.

Double Rose Flowered, Mixed Colors—Large blossoms, as double as Roses and the greatest variety of colors.

NEW GIANT PORTULACA.

Flowers enormous in size and a most dazzling purple-scarlet yet seen, and borne in great abundance. All summer long from early till late this will make the most brilliant show to be seen in any garden. It is so much larger, stronger, and brilliant than the old Portulacas that there is really no comparison.

Childs' Jubilee Phloxes.

Flowers of great substance, beautiful form and uncommon size, while the colors are extraordinarily rich and varied, glowing crimson, dazzling scarlet, deep rose, soft pink, pale blush, maroon-black, lavender-purple, pure white and numberless other shades, many with contrasting eyes, stripes or feathering. In habit these new Phloxes are erect, and bear their velvety blossoms in great profusion, making them unrivalled for bedding. They are of dwarf, stout, branching habit, and the individual flowers are the size of a twenty-dollar gold coin. Grandest of all Phloxes. Per pkt.

Jubilee Alba—Large; pure white. 10
 " **Coccinea**—Rich velvety scarlet. 10
 " **Atropurpurea**—Dark velvety crimson black. 10
 " **Lutea**—Fine primrose yellow. 10
 " **Rosea**—Beautiful bright glowing rose. 10
 " **Stellata, Mixed**—Many fine colors, all with pure white eye. Very effective. 10

Jubilee Striata, Mixed—Many fine colors, all striped with white. Splendid. 10

Jubilee Mixed, All Colors—More than forty different shades and combinations of rich and brilliant colors. 10

One pkt. each of the 8 above for only 50c.

Grandiflora Mixed—Thirty different colors. Fine for large beds and masses. Per oz., \$1.00. 5

Childs' Star—Large size and curiously pointed, fringed and toothed blossoms—utterly unlike anything else—colors of every conceivable shade, more than a hundred distinct tints, shades and combinations having been counted among them. No two same shape and color. 10

PETUNIA- GRANDIFLORA

Petunia.

This is a flower for everybody. Few high-priced and rare plants can begin to compare with the Petunia for beauty, and not half a dozen others flowers on our list are as showy in beds or masses. The smallest yard or the finest park is not complete without these butterflies among flowers, that mind neither heat, drouth or rain, but bloom in profusion until the winter is almost upon us. The seed is best started in the house, and the young plants transplanted to open ground one foot apart, but if the soil is made very fine seed can be sown in the open ground and covered lightly.

NEW GIANT-FLOWERED PETUNIAS.

A giant-flowered strain which originated in California. They are truly magnificent in every sense of the word, and show great improvements over the best European strains. Flowers all beautifully fringed and fimbriated, of extraordinary size, and great variety of exquisite colors.

- Per pkt.
- Fringed Perfection**—A highly perfected strain, the petals of which are deeply ruffled, and the ruffles in turn exquisitely fringed. A superb strain of the richest colors. 10
- Giant-Flowered Single, Mixed Colors**—Enormous single flowers of a good variety of superb colors and fancy markings. Exceedingly beautiful. 15
- Ruffled Giant**—Flowers of this new strain are exceedingly deep-throated, and very large. They are ruffled, fluted and fringed, striped, blotched, and of solid intense colors, with many combinations new in Petunias. It is a great strain which will surprise. 20
- Childs' Monster Mixture**—All sorts and varieties of the giant-flowered type. A grand mixture and will show a wide variety of beautiful new colors. 25

DOUBLE GIANT-FLOWERED PETUNIA.

This is the choicest double Petunia seed that the world can furnish, and we stake our reputation upon it. A larger per cent. will produce more double flowers than any other, and the flowers will be larger and better.

Giant-Flowered Double, Fringed, Mixed Colors—The largest and finest colored Double Petunias yet seen. Their size and beauty will be a revelation to all. 20

New Multiflora Roses.

Roses from Seed, Blooming in 60 Days.

With seed of these Roses plants may be had in bloom in 60 to 90 days from the time of sowing. Plant at any time. They grow quickly and flowers appear in large clusters, and in such quantity that a plant looks like a bouquet. Perfectly hardy in the garden, where they bloom all summer. In pots they bloom both summer and winter. From a packet of seed one will get Roses of various colors—white, pink, crimson, etc., no two alike, and mostly perfectly double and very sweet.

Rose Polyantha Multiflora Hybrids—All colors mixed. Choicest seed, 15c. per pkt.; 2 pkts., for 25c.

'Shoo-Fly' Plant.

An important new plant of the Physilis family. It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is grown if they can conveniently escape, and our test shows such to be the case, 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 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. It is a profuse bloomer in pots both summer and winter. In the garden it grows too rank and weedy to be of any value, but as a pot plant it is exquisite. Seed.....10

Diamond Flower.

A dainty little annual with tufts of tiny foliage and beautiful little white and violet-blue flowers that bloom within a month from the time seed is sown. It will grow in the open ground, over rock work or in pots, never exceeding three inches in height, and rarely two. The tiny flowers have a glistening sheen that has given them their name of Diamond Flower, and being surmounted by a wealth of bright green foliage, they show to wonderful advantage. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. In the garden it will grow and seed all summer, covering the ground with a perfect carpet of beauty.....10

Salvia.

The Salvia is now a standard bedding plant, and well does it deserve its honor. It stands heat and drouth remarkably well, and its colors are very showy and intense. Seed is best started under glass, though self-sown seed frequently comes up in great numbers where a bed of these plants has been the year previous. Cuttings are easily rooted and make fine winter-blooming plants. Per pkt.

Splendens Compacta—Fine dwarf habit, very free flowering and of intense brilliancy..... 5
Silver Spot—Brilliant scarlet, foliage spotted yellow..... 10
Childs' Anniversary—It is so dwarf and compact, and its flowers so large and numerous that it is the most brilliant bedding or pot plant yet known. Unlike other Salvias it flowers all summer long, from May until frost, making a carpet or mass of the brightest color yet seen. As a pot plant it is a solid bouquet of bloom all the fall, winter and spring. One of the finest flower seed novelties we ever had, and one that all will enjoy. 10

PERPETUAL BRANCHING.

Ten Weeks Stocks.

Perpetual Branching, (Recent Novelty)—This new Ten Weeks Stock has proved to be the finest variety in cultivation. It blooms very quickly from seed, the plants being stout, branching, and compact, with numerous flower spikes of very large size. The individual flowers are large, very double, and perfect in form. For pots it is greatly superior to any other variety, and as a pot plant it is just superb, flowering for a long period, and at any time of the year, according to time of sowing. Another great point in its favor is the fact that only a very small per cent. of the plants raised from seed will be single, nearly all producing magnificent double flowers.

Perp. Branching, Rich Crimson—Deep rich crimson... 10
 " " **Brilliant Rose**—Very handsome.....10
 " " **Snow White**—Perfectly elegant.... 10
 " " Above three colors for 20c.
 " " **All Colors Mixed**.....15

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MAYFLOWER
VERBENA.

Childs' Prize Verbenas.

Famous as the finest strain of Verbenas known. The plants are vigorous, short-jointed and perfect sheets of blooms. The trusses are very large, the flowers of mammoth size, perfect form and embracing the richest and most velvety colors. They are also delicately sweet-scented. The range of colors is great, and shades are mostly very delicate and dainty.

Per pkt.

- Childs' Prize, Mixed Colors**—Hundreds of delicate shades. Enormous sized flowers; prodigious bloomers. 20
Childs' Prize, Pure White—Comes true from seed. Great trusses of snowy blossoms of exquisite fragrance. 15
Childs' Prize, Scarlet—A very intense scarlet. 15
Mayflower—With the habit, beauty and fragrance of the Trailing Arbutus, a plant equally valuable for the garden or pots and perpetual bloomer—what more can be desired. The flowers are as rich and powerful in fragrance as the Arbutus. The Verbenas, being of a creeping or trailing habit, like the Arbutus, with clusters and individual flowers much the same, one can easily imagine how the addition of the same fragrance may make a close imitation of that most beautiful of all wild flowers. 15
Mixed Extra Choice—From named kinds. 10

VINCA.

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ZINNIA, CHILDS' IMPROVED.

Double Zinnia.

This Zinnia is a robust, free grower, furnishing an abundance of large, double blossoms which are varied and brilliant colors, during the entire summer and fall. Each flower keeps perfect for six weeks before fading, and each plant is a great mass of bloom all the time, making a showing which is peculiar. Nothing else can fill their place. Seed should be started inside or sown in the garden early.

Per pkt.

- Childs' Improved, Mixed Colors**—Saved only from select flowers, perfect in shape and color. The finest strain of Zinnias in cultivation. Every plant will produce immense double blossoms of various colors from white to deep crimson, maroon, pink, yellow, orange, scarlet, violet, primrose, buff, striped, etc. Every plant will give fine double flowers. 10
Improved Striped—A good strain representing all the leading colors, but all striped. Really the finest strain of striped or Zebra Zinnias in cultivation. 10
New Miniature, Mixed—A perfectly wonderful plant growing only 4 to 6 inches high and bearing great numbers of double blossoms of various colors. It is so dwarf and compact that a plant looks like a tasty bouquet set in the ground, the mingling of bright blossoms and foliage being very effective. 5
Fire Ball—Dwarf habit, double blossoms of intense scarlet, as round and perfect as a ball. It makes a fine border or mass, its bright color and perfect habit showing to great advantage. 10
Snow Ball—Exactly like Fire Ball, except color, which is snow-white and makes a charming contrast. 10
Liliput, Mixed Colors—This strain is the acme of perfection in Zinnias. Plants small and of bushy growth, each one bearing scores of beautiful blossoms of the most perfect shape and brilliant colors. These charming little Zinnias are gems indeed. 5
Gold Bug—Plants grow a foot high and branch freely into beautiful little compact bushes, which are at all times covered with beautiful golden yellow blossoms as double as roses. 5
The 7 sorts for 40c.

Violets.

- A fine collection of many fine varieties and colors—blue, lavender, white. Many of the finest scented varieties are included. Spring sown seed make fine plants for fall blooming.
Cornuta, Mixed Colors—These bloom almost as quickly from seed as Pansies. Are hardy and free flowering. 10
Odorata—The lovely sweet garden Violets, so fine for winter blooming. Mixed colors. 10
Odorata, Queen Charlotte—Large dark blue. 10
" The Czar—Extra fine; large pure white. 10

Vinca.

Lovely garden or pot plants, producing a profusion of bright blossoms at all times. Seed started early in pots make lovely blooming plants by early summer, which will continue in growth and bloom for a year. As bedding plants for the garden they rival the Geranium. Their soft and delicate colors and profuse blooming habit make them at all times attractive. Do not omit them. Mixed colors. 10

SPECIALTIES IN CHOICE NEW VEGETABLES.

Everlasting Cucumber.

Keeps All Winter.

A new variety of the very finest quality that will keep for months, even far into the winter, without decaying or changing color. In short, it may be picked from the vines in the open ground in the fall and sold in the market in a fine condition during December and January, when good Cucumbers bring enormous prices. It is of the White Spine type, of good size, uniform, perfect shape and rich, dark green color, which seems to hold forever. Quality the best of any Cucumbers we have tested. Vine strong and vigorous, a rapid grower, and early bearer. Resists bugs, drouth and disease to a remarkable degree. In short, outside of its wonderful keeping qualities, it is the finest all-around Cucumber we have ever known, but of course its great value and novelty is in its long keeping qualities. With it one may have delicious Cucumbers in winter from summer or fall growing. Stock has been so limited that it first sold for 25c. for 6 seeds. We have a good supply this year and can offer it at 15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 30c.; oz., 75c.; lb., \$3.00.

W. G. TURNER, Elyria, Ohio, says:—"I have at present (Jan. 20th) in my cellar an Everlasting Cucumber 10 inches in length, 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ in circumference, taken from the vine on the 12th day of August, which I defy anyone to tell from a perfect cucumber from the vine: as yet it shows no signs of rot, and is as perfectly natural in color as when it came from the vines. I shall keep it as long as I can and will let you know when it starts to decay. My cellar has a steady temperature of about 40 degrees. The Golden Fig Tomato is a fine fig and preserving tomato: can't be beat."

EDWARD COUSINS, Tillsonburg, Ont., says:—"The Everlasting Cucumber is all right. We pulled off a medium sized fruit Oct. 1st., kept it on a shelf in the pantry all winter and it was good and sound in March. Two local papers have published an account of it."

Mrs. E. P. FORD, Austin, Ill., says:—"My sister who lives on a farm in Mich., writes that the Everlasting is the most wonderful Cucumber she ever saw. They bear so heavily and keep in winter just as you say."

Everybody writes that this is a most wonderful and valuable Cucumber. Some of our customers have taken more than a hundred dollars worth of seed at one time.

EVERLASTING CUCUMBER

Lettuce.

An indispensable vegetable—certainly the finest salad plant known. Easily grown, either in hot-bed or garden, and can be sown very early. South of Mason and Dixon's line can be sown in the open ground in the fall, and needs only slight protection of straw or loose litter to be perfectly hardy.

Child's Half-Century—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 very long time. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; lb., \$2.00.

Child's Half-Century Crisphead—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 "Crisphead" 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.

Asparagus.

One of the most delicious of all vegetables, and the earliest to be taken from the garden. A bed once well planted is good almost for a lifetime with little or no care.

Giant Emperor—In favored localities this gives a good crop the second year from seed. Stalks grow to weigh at the rate of 3 to 4 stalks to a pound. We never ate finer Asparagus than that cut from a neighbor's patch in April, just eleven months from the time seed was sown, and by the way, seed should be sown where plants are to grow permanently, to avoid the check of transplanting. Seed, 10c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 25c; oz., 60c. Roots, 60c. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

Barr's Mammoth

—Differs but little from Palmetto and is the best standard sort for either market or the home garden. Seed, pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; lb., 75c. Strong roots, \$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

Muskmelon, Kinsman Queen.

This greatly improved Melon comes to us from a large grower in Ohio who pronounces it the finest of all Melons he has ever grown. Our trials of it for three years show it to be very fine indeed. We call it the *very finest* melon we ever grew and we firmly believe that all our customers who plant it will say the same. It is of good size, very deep meat-ed, and the color of its flesh is a rich orange salmon. It is very tender, melting and of the highest and richest flavor we have ever tasted. It is the one Melon above all others to grow. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; lb., \$3.00.

Watermelon, Rosy Nugget.

Of all the Watermelons ever introduced for the family garden or home market this is the most superb. In free and easy growth, productiveness, beauty and superb quality there is nothing that can compare to it, while its size is just right for home use. Weight 15 to 22 lb., shape round, color very rich dark green. Rind very thin, almost none at all, but outer shell is hard. Flesh solid, absolutely no cavity, crisp, flavor such as cannot be found in any other melon, its richness, delicate quality and sweetness far surpassing all others. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 35c.; lb., \$2.00.

NEW PEANUTS

Peanut.

Grow some Peanuts for the children. Not at all hard to grow, and stands the heat and drouth like a salamander. We have had most excellent reports on the Early Sweet from all parts of the North, and feel sure that the two new sorts which we are offering for the first time will be equally pleasing.

Early Sweet—This sort is so early that it ripens in the Northern States and in Canada, while its quality is of the very best, the nuts being exceedingly sweet and rich when roasted. Any light, sandy, or loose soil suits them. Pkt., 10c.; pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.

Earliest Long Pod—A most remarkable new sort bearing 3 to 4 nuts in each pod. Greatest yielder known and will do well on most any soil, and fill out better than any other large variety. The distinct long, handsome pods grow close together. Flavor very best and about as early as Early Sweet. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 50c.; quart, 95c.

Mammoth Prize—An enormous peanut, the earliest large sort, and the greatest bearer. Twice as productive as any other and 4 to 6 times larger than Early Sweet. It is really a marvel, and of the very finest quality. Pkt., 15c.; pint, 60c.; quart, \$1.00.

Childs' Winter or Perpetual Tree Onion.

In this we have an Onion different from those raised from seeds or sets, or from the Top Onion, 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 Potato Onions, and should have a place in every home garden. Pint, 20c.; quart, 30c.; peck, \$2.00 prepaid

Squash.

Blue Hubbard—(New)—Since the old Hubbard lost its sterling qualities by deterioration no sort has come to take its place till now. Blue Hubbard is a better Squash in every way than the old one was at its best. It is of the same general quality but higher flavored, and keeps better after being cut open. In fact it beats all other Squashes as a keeper. In productiveness it is a marvel yielding a ton of Squashes to less than 40 hills. Its shell is in all respects like the old Hubbard except in its handsome blue color. In rich quality no Squash can approach it. Pkt., 15c.; oz., 50c.; lb., \$4.00.

Neapolitan—(New)—This gigantic Squash is from 24 to 40 inches long, with peculiar shape. It has very small seed cavity the whole fruit being almost solid meat. It is dry, fine grained and rich in flavor, and is as easily grown as a pumpkin anywhere. A most superb novelty. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; lb., \$2.50.

Wonder Forage Plant.

Most productive hay or fodder plant known. Grows 12 to 14 ft. high and ripens a heavy crop of seed in 100 days from sowing. It can be mown down when it reaches 5 or 6 feet for hay, and will grow up again so quickly that 3 to 5 mowings are secured in a season. One pound of seed covers an acre sown broadcast, or in drills 12 to 18 inches apart, dropping seed 6 inches apart. The broad, dark green leaves closely resemble corn and it surpasses in nutritive value any other forage plant. It is greatly relished by all kinds of stock, either green or cured. For seed purposes plant 3 feet apart each way and cultivate. There will be 40 stalks to each plant and 20 seed heads which are from 12 to 24 inches long and covered with seed. Besides a heavy crop of fodder, it will yield 3,000 pounds of seed per acre, unequalled for poultry food, and will ripen in any latitude that will ripen corn. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; lb., 80c.; 3 lb., \$2.00.

Pop Corn, Golden Tom Thumb.

This Pop Corn grows only 18 inches high, and dainty little ears are only two inches long, with smooth, golden-yellow kernels in regular rows. This little toy corn is not only very pretty, but it pops beautifully white and large, and is very crisp and tender. Grows quickly and ripens its crop by the first of August. Pkt. 10c.

CHILDS' EARLY BASEBALL.

Tomato, 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 trace 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. 15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts., for 30c.; oz., 50c.

Turnip, Cream Tankard.

This new turnip came from Sweden and we grew our first crop of it this year. We are more than pleased with it. It is somewhat the shape of a Stump-rooted Carrot, 3 inches thick at the top, and a foot long, about one-half this length is above ground and light green in color. Below ground is a light creamy yellow. When cooked it is a light cream color, very tender and delicate in flavor, just the quality of a very fine early flat turnip when at its best. We are very much pleased with it and recommend it highly. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.

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GOLDEN SUPERB.

New Field Corn

GOLDEN SUPERB.

**The Most Valuable Field Corn Ever Grown, and Now
the Leading Favorite Where Known
from Maine to California.**

An enormous golden dent variety, so early that it can be grown in the Northern States, and out-yields any other sort. It originated in Connecticut. It is the finest Field Corn we have ever seen. Ears very large and handsome, 24 rows of deep kernels. It is enormously prolific, producing over 200 bushels to the acre in very dry seasons, in hills four feet apart each way, and with ordinary cultivation. Its great vigor enables it to stand dry weather remarkably, and give a good crop, where other sorts fail from drouth. Often two or three ears are borne on one stalk, and they run as uniform as though they were all made in the same mould, and they are as perfect and handsome as though they were made of wax. No other variety of Corn can approach this, and it is bound, when known, to be more extensively grown than all other kinds put together. Owing to its extreme earliness it may be harvested earlier than any other Dent Corn, even when planted much later. It is the earliest by several weeks of dent varieties. It is seldom one sees anything bred up to such perfection as is this new Corn. Pkt., 10c.; lb., 35c.; 3 pounds for \$1.00, postpaid. By express or freight, at buyers' expense, peck, 75c.; bushel, \$2.50.

Although it has been more than ten years since we introduced Golden Superb, our sales of it last year were much larger than any previous year, showing that it is appreciated.

New Sweet Potato, Early Triumph.

The finest all around Sweet Potato, and is so early it can be grown in the North. Ripens in 60 days from time of setting the plants. Tubers, large, oval, oblong, very handsome. Flesh creamy yellow and extra fine quality, dry and highly flavored. Tubers keep very late, in this respect superior to any other. Vine short, dense and vigorous. Plant in warm sandy soil if possible, and it will succeed anywhere in the North. We can supply green plants any time after May 1st. We will have vigorous vines ready for planting out end of May. Green plants (May to July) 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00.

GIANT BOHEMIAN HORSE RADISH.

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 it 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 or roots, which will make an enormous growth the first summer, 3 for 30c.; 12 for 75c.

Useful Books.

10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; the 7 for 50c.

BEAUTIFUL HOME SURROUNDINGS.

BY LORA S. LA MANCE.

This charming book contains 80 pages, and is the most comprehensive and valuable work on planting, laying out and keeping in proper order the lawn and garden, and everything pertaining thereto. It is worth almost its weight in gold. It should be in the hands of all who love gardening. Price, 10 cents.

HOUSE PLANTS.

BY LORA S. LA MANCE

This is a thorough treatise on House Plants and their culture. It is a companion to "Beautiful Home Surroundings," and is as valuable a guide to floriculture in the house as that charming book is to floriculture in the open air. No one should be without it who grows window plants. Price, 10 cents.

INSECTS.

BY MRS. LA MANCE.

This valuable book tells all about insects of every kind which infest house and greenhouse plants, garden vegetables and flowers, shrubs, trees and field crops; moths, ants, flies and other insects, which infest our homes. In every case it gives the best known means of destroying them, many of the remedies being new and little known. This book is worth its weight in gold. Price, only 10 cents per copy.

HOW TO COOK VEGETABLES.

BY JESSIE LYNCH.

555 Choice Recipes for Cooking Vegetables, all different kinds. This pamphlet is worth its weight in gold to any family. Price, 10c.

GLADIOLUS AND THEIR CULTURE.

BY JOHN LEWIS CHILDS

This is a unique and complete treatise on the Gladiolus, giving all needful information regarding the different species and their culture. It is finely illustrated, and is a valuable work on this most important garden flower. Price, 10 cents.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

BY JOHN LEWIS CHILDS.

Giving all needed information in regard to the culture of Chrysanthemums in the house, garden or conservatory. It tells all about propagating, insect enemies, seedlings, 10c.

CULTURE OF HOLLAND AND CAPE BULBS, FOR WINDOW AND GARDEN.

BY LORA S. MANCE.

A very valuable treatise on Hardy Bulbs both for outdoor and indoor culture. Price 10 cents.

RHUBARB
"CRIMSON WINTER"

New Giant Hardy Crimson Winter Rhubarb.

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 is available for use from earliest spring to late in December. The stalks sometimes attain a height 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.

Roots—20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.75; 100 for \$12.00.

Seed—15c. per pkt.; 3 pkts. for 40c. From seed over one-half the plants will come true to the giant form. Others will revert back to the smaller variety. All will yield nice stems for pulling the first summer.

SOME ELEGANT NEW PLANTS AND BULBS.

New Chrysanthemum.

PERP. BLOOMING—"GLORY OF SEVEN OAKS."

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

Exhibited in bloom from March to November inclusive. Certificate of Merit when shown in N. Y. City, Tarrytown, N. Y., and Stamford, Conn.

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 the brightest golden yellow, double to the very center and of large size and borne in clusters of 3 to 6 on strong upright stems.

Fine Plants 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

From the Florist's Exchange of Nov. 25th, 1911.

There was received at this office recently from P. W. Popp, a large box containing a wealth of flowers of the new everblooming Chrysanthemum "Seven Oaks." Some of the blooms on these large sprays of flowers grown in the open ground were three inches or more in diameter and for a perfectly hardy Chrysanthemum which will bloom in the border or in pots in the open season, and in the greenhouse during the rest of the year, "Seven Oaks" certainly makes a fine showing. Mr. Popp writes as follows:

"I am sending a box of blooms just as cut from the open border. I have exhibited this Mum eight consecutive months now, beginning at the National Show in Boston in March, and every month since before the New York Hort. Society: It begins to bloom in thumb pots and as the plants grow the succeeding flowers develop on the shoots coming up from the bottom. I had a fifteen foot bed in full bloom on May first this year. Grown in pots or bench, and disbudded, it throws a stem three feet with a good well developed bloom

four to five inches in diameter. It is perfectly hardy and will winter with little or no protection."

The writer has seen this Chrysanthemum, both its cut blooms, and as blooming plants in four inch pots at the exhibition of the New York Hort. Society, where it received a certificate of merit in the May exhibition, and fully corroborates Mr. Popp's statements.

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.

Crocus—Finest and brightest yellow.

20c. each; the 3 for 50c.

GLOBE PERFECTION CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

These are all our own production. Exquisite large blossoms, round as a ball. Perfectly fine.

G. P., Pink—Exquisite pink.

G. P., White—Like the above but white.

G. P., Yellow—Fine bright yellow.

G. P., Crimson—Rich, deep crimson.

G. P., Dark Rose—New this year. A lovely color.

15c. each; the 5 for 60c.; \$1.25 per dozen.

BEST OSTRICH-PLUME CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

These are of the beautiful Ostrich Plume class

Gold Ore—Rich old gold color, very

hairy, double and fine.

Sea Shell—Beautiful pink, elegant.

Downy White—Pure white.

Plumy Glean—Fine lemon yellow.

Extra fine.

15c. each; the 4 for 50c.; \$1.25 per dozen.

CHRYSANTHEMUM SEED.

Make fine plants for fall

blooming.

Chrysanthemums are very easily grown from seed, and flower abundantly the first season. It is no trouble at all to grow them and they are sure to flower beautifully in Oct. and Nov. from spring sown seed.

Extra Choice Mixed—Saved only from named sorts. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., for 50c.

14 Very Finest Cannas.

These are now the most popular and most magnificent of all summer blooming plants for brilliant bedding and massing, and are among the very finest of all pot plants, either for summer or winter blooming. The following named sorts are the very best of the new and little known large flowering Dwarf varieties. We have selected these varieties after careful tests of hundreds of sorts, and our customers can rely upon them as being the most magnificent and desirable in every respect, combining large flowers of great brilliancy with beautiful foliage, free blooming and easy growing qualities.

R. Wallace—A grand new Canna, by far the largest and finest pure yellow yet grown. Flowers enormous and color fine. 4 feet.

King Humbert—The finest Canna that grows. Very dark bronze foliage and flowers of enormous size. Color bright orange-scarlet streaked crimson. 3 to 4 feet.

Gladio-Flora—(3½ ft.)—Remarkable for the unusual shape of the flowers, which look like large Gladiolus. Color is crimson, changing to carmine-rose with edge of gold.

Wyoming—(7 ft.)—This is one of the most majestic Cannas in the Orchid-flowering class, with the additional attraction of having a luxuriant growth of rich, purple foliage. Great plumes of massive orange-colored blossoms.

Clara Barton—Plant very dwarf and compact, about two feet high, with luxuriant, wide, Musa-like leaves, and gigantic spikes of bloom, which rise just to the top of the foliage. Flowers very large, wide-petaled and perfect in shape, and of the most beautiful clear bright pink color.

New York—Lovely dark bronze foliage, with flowers of great size and solid rich scarlet. Best of scarlets. 4 feet.

Express—A new bedding Canna of great merit. Color, scarlet-crimson; the clusters are large and compact; foliage green. Dwarf habit. 2 to 2½ feet.

Allemania—Enormous flowers, 6 inches across, petals 2½ inches wide. Bright yellow and orange-crimson, beautifully spotted and variegated. Finest spotted sort. 4 feet.

Pacific Beauty—Very heavy, black foliage, often finely striped and variegated. Flowers orange-crimson. A truly magnificent sort, and best of its color. 4 feet.

Uncle Sam—Glorious deep, rich, fiery-red of marvelous beauty. Extra large and fine blossoms. 5 feet.

Red Cross—Most beautiful rich purple-black foliage. Surely a grand ornamental foliage plant. Added to this it produces great flaming scarlet clusters of immense perfect blossoms. One of the largest, brightest and richest colored flowers to be found among Cannas. 3 feet.

Ball of Fire—Intense scarlet, with a vividness not seen in other sorts. Very showy. 3 feet.

Niagara—Large flower with broad petals, of the richest crimson-scarlet color widely bordered with pure gold. Extra fine and best of its color. 3 to 4 feet.

Little Gem—The dwarfest Canna. Color, bright orange-scarlet, with a slight gold band. The plant grows only 10 inches high, but the panicles of bloom are large and fine.

PRICE—These 14 finest Cannas, 20c. each; any 3 for 40c.; the 14 for \$1.50. In quantity, \$1.25 per dozen; \$8.00 per 100

Banana-Leaved Cannas.

These are among the grandest of all foliage plants.

Musafolia—This is the finest foliage Canna yet seen, with enormous Musa-like leaves, 3x5 feet, of a dark green, bronze-tinted color, the edge of the leaves being beautifully banded with bronze-purple. In size and beauty of foliage it is a revelation, and makes a clump or single specimen plant for the lawn which no other foliage plant can approach. Attains a height of eight feet, beautiful and symmetrical at every stage of growth.

Black Musafolia—Just like the above except color of foliage which is a deep maroon, almost black.

Strong roots, 20c. each; the 2 for 30c.; 6 for 75c.; 15 for \$1.50.

Mixed Cannas—For Large Show Beds.

A mixture of the finest large flowering kinds which will go well together, and make a most magnificent bed or border of bright colors. We can thoroughly recommend this.

Tall Mixed—All the finest kinds that grow 4 feet or more in height. \$1.00 per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

Dwarf Mixed—Best sorts under 4 feet. Fine strong roots. \$1.00 per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.

Canna Seed—Extra Early Dwarf.

Flowers in Three Months.

These wonderful Cannas, dwarf and compact in growth, with highly ornamental foliage, produce their magnificent clusters of brilliant blossoms all summer and fall from spring sown seed. In no other

way can so small an expenditure produce such a bed of glorious flowers for so long a period. They are simply marvelous, showing colors and variegations ranging from almost white, to brilliant scarlet and dark maroon, rosy pink, yellow, orange, buff, lemon, striped, bronzed, tinted and variegated in a wonderful manner. Foliage is large and musa-like, in some plants a rich green color, in others a deep reddish maroon and highly ornamental. These New Cannas are appropriately called "Gladiolus-flowered"

on account of their size and beauty. 10c. pkt.; 3 pkts., 25c.

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 as 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, even in a room if out of the sun's rays. No Fern is so good in this respect. 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. These fronds keep in perfect condition for years.

Scotti—This is a decorative acquisition and will undoubtedly take the place of the Boston Fern eventually. 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. Every plant can be made a beautiful specimen.

Pierson's Boston Fern—Immense wavy fronds, of the Ostrich Plume type, but longer and more beautifully feathered. It was first introduced four years ago and created a real sensation. Without a 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. We have a fine stock of very fine plants.

Pierson's Baby Boston Fern—A great novelty and a great beauty. Like Pierson 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.

Amoropholii—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.

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.

Elegantissima—New and very fine. On the order of Pierson's, but differing in a more elegant frond.

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

20c. each; any 3 for 40c.; the 9 for \$1.00.

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 axis 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; 3 for 40c.

GREATEST EVERBLOOMING

Etoile de France—The gold medal Rose of France, and we believe it has no superior. The flowers are very large, and borne on good, long, stiff stems; color a lovely shade of clear, red-crimson velvet, very fragrant and keeps well.

Mrs. David Jardine—A glorious and most charming Rose quite distinct from any existing variety. The color is a delightful shade of bright rosy pink shading to salmon pink on outer petals. Has that powerful perfume which made La France so popular.

Wm. R. Smith—Very vigorous in growth with flowers of a fine size and heavy texture; color creamy white with shadings of pink. Succeeds admirably in the open ground, bearing fine blooms on long stiff stems, and hardy with light protection.

Rosemary—A beautiful rose of shining silvery pink. Very large and double; a sturdy grower with stiff stems and large foliage; flowers freely, and of exquisite form.

Tinted Gold—A most beautiful large cupped blossom, pure snow-white, with center richly tinted with gold. In size and beauty it is one of the grandest Tea Roses, if not the very finest yet introduced. Free and robust grower, and a prodigious bloomer.

Winter Gem—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, hardest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in a year than 12 plants of any other Tea Rose grown. The plant will bloom continually, and nothing but killing it outright will check it.

La Detroit—A beautiful shell pink, shading in the center to light rose. Reverse of petals a creamy flesh tint, shading to silvery toward the base, and decidedly opalescent. Very rich, and a free bloomer; large double flower borne in endless profusion.

General McArthur—Another grand Tea Rose, and the deepest, brightest colored one yet seen. Color so bright and intense as to rival a vivid crimson Tulip. Fine for both open ground and pot culture, and a free bloomer.

Killarney—One of the most popular of our Garden Roses, and also one of the leading varieties for winter cut flowers. It is perfectly hardy in this latitude; in growth it is strong and robust, and as free-flowering as any Rose we know. In color it is a sparkling, brilliant, imperial pink; the blooms are large, the buds long and pointed, the petals very large and of great substance, and just as handsome in the full-blown flower as in bud form.

White Killarney—A sport from the glorious pink Killarney and just like it in every respect except color. Pure snow white. One of the grandest Roses that ever bloomed.

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

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.

Storm Cloud—Rich dark color, a sort of blackish-green with purple lustre, and large, pure silvery spots.

Monster Leaf, 2½ feet across. Color, pure silver, 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 shade regularly and densely speckled.

20c. each; 3 for 50c.; the 11 for \$1.50.

CRIMSON

GREEPER

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 peculiar shade of rich bright crimson, and borne in great profusion. Our customers will find this splendid new creeper exceedingly attractive and novel, and we offer it at a price that brings it easily within the reach of all. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

CALLA
ELLIOTTIANA

New Bulbous Callas.

A few years ago we had only one so called Bulbous Calla (Common Spotted). Now there are several, and they are truly marvels of beauty. Do not confound these superb sorts with worthless Arums, which have been extensively sold as red, pink, green, and yellow Callas. These now offered are all genuine Callas, with large, magnificent blossoms, and will grow and bloom freely in pots like the common white Calla. They are all fine for garden culture also, treated like a summer flowering bulb, but we think they are better when grown in pots. Note our low prices for these grandest of all Callas.

Rhemanni (Pink)—This magnificent new Calla has a large flower of a rich, deep shade of pink that is perfectly exquisite. A strong, easy grower, and free bloomer. It is still a sensational floral novelty in Europe, and one of the grandest flowering plants we have ever seen. Having grown an enormous stock, we can offer it at a very low price. Do not miss it. Fine flowering bulbs. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Elliottiana (Giant Yellow)—This is the great new Yellow Calla of marvelous beauty. Flowers very large and of the brightest golden yellow. Leaves beautifully spotted with white. Sold recently at \$5.00 each. Its great size of bloom, brilliant yellow color, and glorious large spotted leaves, make this a plant of unusual beauty and novelty. Strong flowering bulbs. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Mrs. Roosevelt—Flowers light clear yellow, produced very freely on long stems. Foliage, rich, deep green, distinctly and freely blotched with white, making a very showy plant. It does particularly well planted outside, grows strong and flowers freely. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Aurata (Lemon Calla)—New and fine, the flowers being a beautiful light yellow, with jet black center, therefore very conspicuous and showy. Its foliage is large and handsome, deep green, freely spotted white. Makes a most superb pot plant. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Pentlandi—The newest of the Yellow Callas, the darkest and richest in color of them all. Its flowers are large and widely open and in all respects a glorious thing. Sells in Europe at \$10 each and is very scarce. \$1.00 each.

Spotted Calla—The leaves of this beautiful Calla are deep green, with spots, which give the plants a magnificent appearance. The flowers are pure white with black center. Fine for open ground culture. 10c. each; 3 for 25c.

One bulb each of the 6 sorts for \$2.00.

CARNATION.

Childs' Monster Carnations.

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

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.

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.

Torch—Extra large flower, brilliant scarlet, and borne on stems 4 feet long. Petals beautifully fringed.

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

Blue Bedder—While the flowers are not actually blue, they are of a bluish-violet color, the blue shade 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.

Alma Ward—This beautiful new Carnation is pure white, and the largest and most fragrant ever grown. Flowers perfect in every way, $\frac{3}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter on stems 3 feet in length.

Halfway—Enormous flower, larger than Lawson. Color halfway between a pink and scarlet. Fine, strong grower, and in every way immense.

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

Giant Flaked—Extra large and fine. Beautifully flaked and variegated with crimson on white ground. 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.

Crimson King—Dark rich crimson.

Darkness—New this year. Very large and perfect, richest dark crimson shading well into velvety crimson black. Very fine in every way.

Price 15c. each; any 2 for 25c., or more at 10c. each. \$1.00 per doz. One plant each of the 18 for \$1.75.

New Hardy Tritoma, May Queen.

A Tritoma that will bloom the first season from seed is indeed a novelty worthy of more than ordinary attention. May Queen will flower the first summer from sowing seed, sending up tall flower stems on which are borne the great plume-like blossoms of rich yellow and flame color. The plants are also perfectly hardy in the open ground here, and start growth and bloom very early in the spring. They are in full profusion of bloom end of May. The growth is stronger and the bloom more abundant each year. Much more vigorous than any other sort. A superb novelty.

Seed, likely to bloom first season, 10c. per pkt.

Plants—Strong plants for blooming at once. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00; 100 for \$8.00.

NEW BABY RAMBLERS.

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

Crimson Baby Rambler—This Rose is a dwarf everblooming Crimson Rambler, bearing great clusters of bright crimson double blossoms all the year round, just as Crimson Rambler does in June. It is really valuable as a pot or garden Rose and blooms profusely summer, winter, spring and fall. Freshly rooted cutting plants when only a few inches high begin to bear most beautiful clusters of bloom, and as the plant grows larger it becomes a marvelous bouquet of beautiful foliage and bright flowers as shown in our cut. Perfectly hardy in the open ground where it blooms all the time, and as a pot plant it will produce 25 flowers to one of any other sort. It is the greatest Rose novelty since Crimson Rambler and the most satisfactory pot or bedding variety.

White Baby Rambler—This does not differ from the above except in color which is purest snow white, and perfectly magnificent.

Little Dorothy—Of all the dwarf Rambler class of Roses, Little Dorothy is by far the best, and one of the best new Roses in a long time. Bush very dwarf and completely smothered in large bright pink blossoms at all times, in profusion surpassing all others, often 100 blooms in a cluster. It is one of the most attractive pot or garden plants ever grown, and always in bloom. The brightness and beauty of the flowers is remarkable.

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

20c. each; the 4 for 60c.

This cut is a true representation of all the *Crimson Rambler* class, such as *Everblooming*, *Excelsa*, *Blue Rambler*, *Dorothy Perkins*, *Dorothy Dennison* and *Thousand Beauties*.

Grandest Climbing Roses.

The following are all perfectly hardy, and by all odds the very finest of outdoor Climbing Roses.

Everblooming Crimson Rambler—A sport from the grand *Crimson Rambler* and just like it in every respect, and one that produces its great clusters of brilliant flowers, not alone in June, but all the summer and fall as well. It is a rapid grower, the vines covering a large space in a comparatively short time, and the great bunches of glowing crimson blossoms hanging in profusion at all times. It starts blooming very early in the season and continues to flower until late in the autumn. A further advantage is that it flowers profusely on the young wood in the first year.

Crimson Rambler—This will grow 8 to 10 feet in a season, the flowers appearing in great panicles as large as a man's hat, and of a deep, rich crimson color, like blood-colored velvet. The flowers, when cut, last two weeks in water and fully a month on the bush, which is a perfect mass of rich crimson at all times. It can be grown in various ways, as a pillar Rose, as a trellis Rose, and for covering a wall it has no equal, and when pegged down it will form a bed of itself.

Excelsa—A brilliant *Crimson Rambler* flower with glossy, varnished foliage. The defects of *Crimson Rambler* are its unsightly foliage in unseasonable weather, and its defoliation by insects; the infusion of *Wichuriana* blood assures an ornamental climber which is nearly evergreen, and this will assure this lovely crimson-scarlet pillar rose a place in every American garden, for it is quite hardy in addition to all its other good points.

Blue Rambler—A violet-blue seedling from *Crimson Rambler*. This is a distinct novelty in the rose-world. The flowers appear in large clusters, after the manner of the

Crimson Rambler. Upon first opening, the color is partly bluish red and turning soon to a steel blue. The color is best described by saying that it resembles that of early violets. It is a strong grower, has shining green foliage and few thorns. It has not been troubled by mildew and is classed among the hardiest climbing roses, withstanding the winters everywhere.

Thousand Beauties—A robust growing perpetual hardy Climbing Rose, which stands any climate and does not mildew nor winter-kill. It blooms for a period of about two months, producing great clusters of elegant double blossoms which are practically all different in color. From white to deep crimson with all intermediate shades and tints of rose, pink, blush, yellow, orange, etc., show in the same cluster of bloom. Can one imagine anything more novel or beautiful?

Dorothy Perkins—This grand new hardy climber grows 10 to 15 feet in a season, blooms in immense clusters like the *Crimson Rambler*, but the blooms are more double and of a beautiful shell-pink color passing to clear deep rose; makes large pointed buds and is really superior to *Crimson Rambler*, blooming at the same time and making a striking contrast in color.

Dorothy Dennison—This beautiful variety is a true sport from *Dorothy Perkins*, originating in Ireland. It is quite identical with the parent, save in the color, which is soft shell-pink with white bases to the petals.

Loralee—A hardy yellow climber of great beauty. Flowers borne in clusters like the *Ramblers*, fine size, perfect form and double, while the color is a bright, clear lemon-yellow. It is a strong vigorous grower and as hardy in any climate as any rose that ever grew. It is the first good yellow hardy climbing variety.

Strong plants of above eight finest hardy Climbers, 20c. each;
3 for 50c.; the 8 for \$1.00; or \$1.60 per dozen.

GLADIOLUS

"AMERICA"

The Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is our leading specialty, and our collection is the largest and finest in the world—in fact, we supply most of the bulbs which the world uses. We grow two hundred acres of them and upwards of 20,000,000 flowering bulbs. Gladiolus being our leading specialty, are here offered at less than one-half the usual price. Our Childs and Lemoine are simply grand. Do not miss them.

MIXED GLADIOLUS.

By Mail or Express Prepaid.

Our mixed Gladiolus are not the poor dull colors, old discarded red sorts and worthless seedlings usually sent out as mixtures. On the contrary they are made up from splendid named sorts, brightest and most varied colors, white, yellow, pink, rose, bluish, intense scarlet; carmine, violet, striped, blotched, variegated, etc. Common and poor sorts have been discarded and this mixture is the highest grade. **Gandavensis, Mixed All Colors**—Large flowering bulbs.

25c. per dozen; \$1.75 per 100; \$15.00 per 1000.
Childs Mixed, All Colors—30c. per doz.; \$2.25 per 100; \$20.00 per 1000.

Lemoine Mixed, All Colors—20c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$12.00 per 1000.

Groff's Hybrids Mixed—This is a mixture and Hybrids of all sorts, Gandavensis, Lemoine, etc, giving in one bed the greatest range of colors and variegations. 20c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$10. per 1000.

Mixed, Blue Hybrids—A new strain, a large per cent of which are various shades of blue. \$1.00 per dozen.

GLADIOLUS GANDAVENSIS.

These are the grand sorts that have stood the test of time against all others.

Augusta—Lovely pure white, with blue anthers.

Ajax—Beautiful striped.

Brenchleyensis—Vermilion-scarlet; fine old variety.

Chrysolora—Golden yellow, pure and distinct.

Carnation—Fleshy-white, profusely tinged.

Chamont—Lilac shaded with purple.

Corsaire—Compact spike, large flowers of a very intense dark and velvety scarlet, tinted brown.

Countess Craven—Rose, flaked carmine.

Ceres—Pure white, spotted with purplish rose.

Doctor Hogg—Mauve, suffused rose; center white.

De Lamarck—Cherry, slightly tinted with orange-red.

Eugene Scribe—Tender rose, blazed carmine-red.

Emma Thursby—White; striped and blotched.

Gen. Sherman—Extra fine large scarlet.

Glory of Brightwood—Scarlet, with lemon throat.

Gen. Phil. Sheridan—Fiery red, large, white blotch.

Isaac Buchanan—Extra fine yellow.

Le Poussin—Light red, white blotch.

Madame Monneret—Delicate rose.

May—A lovely pure white finely flaked rosy crimson.

Mrs. F. H. Krelage—Fiery red; white blotch.

Mrs. Francis King—Large light scarlet.

Mr. Bains—A distinct color, a clear pure light red.

Reine Blanche—Pure white, dark carmine blotch.

Sylphide—Pure white, flamed carmine.

Sunshine—Tall spike with 20 or more flowers. Fine yellow.

Price, 5c. each; 50c. per dozen; the 26 for \$1.00.

Gandavensis Mixed—All colors, more than one hundred varieties. 25c. per doz.; \$1.75 per 100; \$15.00 per 1000

TEN GREAT GLADIOLUS CHILDS.

Capt. C. B. Tanner—Extra large and fine. Brilliant crimson and white freely mottled and intermixed.

Columbia—Light orange-scarlet, freely blotched and pencilled with bluish purple. Throat freely mottled.

Eva—Beautiful rose shaded and marked with slate. Throat finely mottled with various colors.

Expansion—Large widely expanded blossoms. White, pink and crimson freely mottled.

Fantastic—Large flaming scarlet of a bright shade, freely pencilled deep crimson.

F. L. Oakley—Bright salmon tinged scarlet, with a pure white center. Very fine and showy variety.

Mohonk—Deep dark pink with spotted throat, shaded orange and flaked with maroon.

Mrs. Beecher—Beautiful deep rosy crimson. Large, well-opened flowers, with pure white throat.

Mrs. W. N. Bird—Beautiful lilac rose, crimson white mottling in throat, and carmine marks. Extra fine.

Mayor—Fine large compact spike; rich purple rose.

10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; the 10 for 75c.

GLADIOLUS AMERICA.

The Grandest Variety in Cultivation.

Without any exception America is the most beautiful and useful Gladiolus yet introduced. Strong and healthy, with luxuriant dark-green foliage. Flower spike two to three feet long, erect, with great number of large spreading blossoms, all facing one way and showing a color the delicacy and beauty of which it is impossible to describe. It is an exquisite soft lavender pink, very light, almost a tinted white, a color the same as seen in the most exquisite Cattleya Orchids. No color like it in any other Gladiolus: none half so beautiful.

Price—Large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 15 for \$1.00.

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.

Sugarplum—A prolific fruiter, with large, handsome berries that are sweet and delicious beyond expression, having no core. Iron-clad in hardness.

20c. each; the 4 for 60c.; or \$1.50 per dozen.

Two Great Climbing Blackberries.

Mammoth Climbing—It is a rapid grower, trailing on the ground or upon trellises like Grapevines, and under favorable conditions will grow 20 feet in a season. Canes are large and strong. Foliage large, healthy, thick, and of a deep green color. Enormously productive and exceedingly early, ripening three weeks before other varieties. Fruit enormous in size, specimens often reaching 2½ inches in length. Seed small and soft. Core small, very soft and palatable. In size and extra fine flavor surpassing other varieties of Blackberry. One of the finest Fruit Novelties of recent years. It is unlike a Dewberry or any other so-called running Blackberry ever introduced. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Grape-Vine Blackberry—This is certainly a most wonderful fruit and is called Grape-Vine Blackberry, because it grows on rellises 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 Grapevine. It will grow as long and as rapidly as a grapevine, bearing in prodigious quantity large, luscious blackberries from the middle of July until October. In quantity or weight of fruit it will outyield the grape three times, and ripening as it does over a long period of time makes it immensely valuable. As to hardness there is no winter anywhere in America severe enough to kill it. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

4 Great Blackberries.

The following Blackberries are extra fine.

Blower's Giant—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.

Everbearing Tree—Grows five feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, straight and erect. The berries are enormous size, borne in large clusters which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth, without a particle of hard core.

Iceberg—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. It is a most deliciously sweet and prolific sort, and succeeds finely everywhere.

The Gardena Dewberry.

Positively the Finest and most Satisfactory 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 locations 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 of 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.

Cut from Photograph, Showing its Great Productiveness.

New Everbearing Raspberry, St. Regis.

Fruits Freely for Four Months.

The merits of this reliable, everbearing raspberry may be summarized as follows:

It 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.

The 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 hardiness; the canes enduring 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.

Price of strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00. or 100 for \$10.

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Plum, First-Best.

Earlier by a Month Than Any Other Plum, and the Sweetest and Best in Flavor.

This new plum is remarkable for earliness and sweet honey-like flavor, great beauty, productiveness and hardiness. A sure cropper every year. Ripe fruit of it comes from Florida in April. In New Jersey it is due to ripen in June. R. D. Hoyt, of the Florida Fruit Growers Association, says that this fruit would sell for a most fabulous price if it could be had in quantity for market in April and May. Tree not a large grower but enormously prolific, fruiting when only a year or two old. Plums medium in size, richest golden color and SWEET and DELICIOUS to a degree surpassing any other. It is the finest flavored plum we ever ate. We have tried it for three years and can say it will create a real sensation when known. Thrifty young trees 30c. each; 3 for 75c.; 6 for \$1.25. Strong 3 year old, \$1.00 each; 6 for \$5.00. Delivered by mail or express prepaid.

Hybrid Berry, Phenomenal.

"This is larger than the largest berry ever before known. It has a bright crimson Raspberry color, the berries, growing in clusters of 5 or 10 each, and the individual berries measuring 3 inches around one way, by 4 inches the other way, and weighing one-quarter ounce each." We have found this berry to be all that is claimed for it—phenomenal in every particular. An expert pronounced this "the greatest wonder of all." It tastes and looks like both the Raspberry and Blackberry. 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00; 10 for \$2.00.

KEVITT'S
WONDER.

Choice Strawberries.

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 cure 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.

Kevitt's Wonder—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. 60c. per dozen; \$3.00 per 100.

Chesapeake—This is the latest, and by all odds the best very late Strawberry. It is as late as Gandy and more productive on any soil, especially light soil. In eating quality there is no comparison, as Chesapeake is one of the very finest flavored berries. Evergreen, plant a strong upright grower, with heavy dark green foliage entirely exempt from rust. The fruit stalks are equally strong and hold the great berries well up from the ground. The fine large fruit, borne so abundantly, and the strong vigorous hardy nature of the plant, and its extreme lateness combine to make Chesapeake one of the great berries of the future. 50c. per doz.; \$2.00 per 100.

Barrymore—During the Mass. Horticultural Show of 1908 the Barrymore was awarded a silver medal and three first premiums, which is quite a record for one new berry for one season. The color is a glossy, rich, dark crimson, with red flesh of excellent quality. The berries are large, ripen at midseason, and are regular conical in shape; blossoms perfect. It is a great show berry, and it is also a great market berry. 40c. per dozen; \$1.25 per 100; \$10. per 1000.

Norwood—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. 60c. per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

Special Offer—12 Plants each of the 5 finest Strawberries, \$2.00; 100 each for \$10.00.

Heritage—A long season variety—from early until very late. Berries of good size and very uniform—not so mammoth as some others—conical, deep shining crimson, very handsome and of delicious flavor. Plant a vigorous rampant grower and a prodigious yielder. An excellent variety, especially for those who can give space to one variety only. 40c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$10. per 1000.

Giant Hardy 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. Good plants, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

DOUBLE FL.
MOCK ORANGE.
(PHILADELPHUS)

New Double Syringa. (Mock Orange.)

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 or 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. The finest new shrub in many years. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

PRIVET HEDGE

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 dozen; \$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. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.00.

FLORAL PARK LAWN GRASS.

Floral Park Lawn Grass.

QUICK GROWING.

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 turfy, compact habit, stooling out well from the bottom, and they must be able to stand the sun well, and a considerable amount of drouth, without injury. We have a mixture of grasses that meets all these requirements. We use it at 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.

HELIANTHI

AMOST WONDERFUL
NEW VEGETABLE
AND FLOWERING PLANT.

Helianthi, White-Tubered.

A very showy flower and a new winter vegetable,—a complete substitute for fresh Asparagus. Yields half as much again as Irish Potatoes.

This new hybrid plant is of the Sunflower and Artichoke family, producing showy golden yellow flowers like Cosmos blossoms, in endless profusion and immense quantities of fleshy tubers, somewhat after the style of Sweet Potatoes. It stands both heat and cold and will thrive anywhere in any sort of soil or climate, and as a flower is very showy in any position.

CULTURE.—Plant tubers in spring or fall three feet apart each way in rows and hill up the same as potatoes. Harvest the tubers during fall, winter or spring as needed. The yield is something enormous.

FOOD VALUE.—As a hog or cattle food Helianthi is far superior to anything else but as a table vegetable it must rank high, being tender and palatable, more easily digested than potatoes, and remarkably free from starch.

Dr. Koch a well known food specialist gives the following figures as units of food value:—Helianthi 540.5. Green Peas 465.0, Turnips 133.0. Potatoes 126.8. This interesting comparison needs no comment.

Its taste is difficult to describe. It resembles somewhat the French artichoke and asparagus. May be cooked in many ways like potatoes, asparagus, cauliflower, oyster plant, squash, etc. Cut and fried the tubers excel French fried potatoes. Helianthi will give great satisfaction both as a flower and vegetable. Tubers for planting. 6 for 25c.; 15 for 50c.; 100 for \$1.50; 1000 for \$12.00.

New Pink-Tubered Helianthi

We grew this last season for the first time and find it in every way superior to the other sort. Flowers larger and finer, in dense masses fully as showy as Rudeckia Golden Glow. It begins to bloom just one month earlier than the White-tubered. Roots short, thick and rounded at the end, plump, crisp and sweet. One of the finest vegetables and most showy flowers of our garden. Fine tubers. 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for \$5.00.

CHILDS' RESPLENDENT TOMATO.

MOST NOVEL, MOST BEAUTIFUL, AND FINEST OF ALL TOMATOES.

FRUIT of many different colors from light green (when very small) to white, lemon, pink, orange and yellow, to deep ruby-red, borne on the same plant at the same time in wonderful abundance. A plant in fruit is strikingly beautiful beyond description.

FRUIT, large, very solid with less seed and seed cavity than any other Tomato. Consequently less acid, and by far the richest, meatiest and best-flavored Tomato we have ever tested.

PLANT of stout, upright branching growth (of the tree form) with distinct, wide, Potato-like foliage of a deep emerald green. In growth and foliage it is as novel and distinct as is its marvelous fruit, and entirely unlike any other variety in nearly every respect. It was originated by E. C. Green, Medina, Ohio, a Tomato specialist, who has originated many of the best varieties in cultivation. The entire stock and full control has been turned over to us for introduction.

SEED, 10c. per pkt., 3 pkts., for 25c. With every packet of seed we send a booklet of over 100 receipts for using and cooking Tomatoes. This will be of great value to the housewife.

N. B. The Tomato being the most popular, and the most widely grown of all garden vegetables, we have determined to offer Resplendent, the most beautiful and best of them all, at the very nominal price of 10c. per pkt. which will bring it within easy reach of everybody who sees this Catalogue.

E. C. GREEN, Medina, Ohio, originator of the Resplendent Tomato, says: "This Tomato will come as a decided surprise to lovers of this vegetable. I have found the plant to be a heavy, vigorous grower and productive, but it is in the fruit where its great merit lies. In a basket they present a beautiful picture found in no other kind, and when sliced for the table the yellow and red flesh gives them a most pleasing appearance. The fruit is a little irregular, but this is no more pronounced than in some of our most popular varieties, and it is only these that have that solid, meaty texture that makes Resplendent exceptionally fine."

MR. E. M. MANSUR, Lounsbury, N. Y., writes: "Resplendent Tomatoes were the finest I ever saw. They are very prolific, large and symmetrical, and as fine flavored, if not the finest, Tomatoes I ever tasted. While they are a tree Tomato, I would give them support, as they are such heavy bearers. I counted 37 large Tomatoes on one branch. The fruit are at first green, then turn white, then creamy-yellow and orange, then a light pink, and finally a dark red; so there are Tomatoes of all shades on the plant at the same time. One of the prettiest sights I ever saw. You cannot recommend it too highly."

A New Plant Sprinkler. THE LENOX ATOMIZER.

With this new atomizer a fine spray may be thrown under, over, or upon the foliage of any plant or shrub, thoroughly drenching the same and removing dust and insects. Clear water or any kind of liquid Insecticide or Poison may be applied with it. It is not only the most effective, convenient and durable, but the cheapest of all atomizers. It is available for house plants, garden plants, vegetables, shrubs, small trees, fruits, etc. For sprinkling clothes it is worth its weight in gold. 50c. each, postpaid.

Our grand picture of

IRIS KÄMPFERI

At 10c. each. Formerly sold at \$1.00 each.

Size, 16x33, in eighteen colors showing thirteen varieties of the finest double Iris Kämpferi in natural colors. It is useless to attempt to describe the beauty of this loveliest of all floral paintings. The great flaming blossoms in their loveliest tints stand out in all their silken lustre and charm the eye with their matchless beauty. Sent by mail, postpaid, for 10c.; 3 for 25c., which is barely enough to pay postage and cost of packing.

A Wild Perennial Bed.

A fine mixture of all the best and hardest 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.

Paper Flower Pots.

Here we offer Flower Pots made from Naponset Waterproof Fabrics. They are very light, durable, unbreakable, cheap, and of terra-cotta color. Just the pots for growing small plants and seedlings.

Size, 2 1/4 inches, 25c. per dozen; per 100, \$1.00.

Size, 2 3/4 inches, 30c. per dozen; per 100, \$1.25.

Size, 3 inches, 35c. per dozen; per 100, \$1.50.

Size, 4 inches, 50c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100.

By mail, postpaid, at above prices.

Childs' Bug Scorchers.

A NEW INSECTICIDE OF GREAT VALUE.

The Most Convenient to Use, and
The Surest of All Insect Killers.

It is with great pleasure that we offer this, the greatest of all compounds for destroying insects of every kind and description. It is a paste, a teaspoonful of which is dissolved in a pint of warm water (or a tablespoonful in a quart of water). With this water the infested plants are sprayed, washed, syringed or sprinkled. It kills every insect with which it comes in contact, on the spot; also, their eggs and larvae. Those which escape its touch die afterwards, by feeding upon the plant which has been syringed. Though so destructive to all insect life, it is non-poisonous and harmless to vegetation when diluted as directed. It dissolves quickly and readily in cold water. It is a great discovery and is absolutely sure death to every form of insect life at touch. Price, in six-ounce cans, postpaid, 35c.; 3 cans, 90c.

Mixed Flower Seeds 100 Kinds.

People who wish a great variety of flowers at small cost will do well to plant a packet of this seed. It is a mixture of 100 different annuals, all the best sorts, and those which grow and bloom together in wild garden style. It will make a brilliant and attractive bed. Large packet, 10c.; 6 pkts, 50c.

CHILD'S RESPLENDENT TOMATO