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Thanking my friends for the liberal share of their patronage in the past, I heartily solicit a continuance of the same, with a pledge on my part of doing all I agree in warranting everything true to name that goes out from my Nursery, and claiming that Fairmount stands second to none in Vermont.

I am now ready to fill all orders from the farmers of Vermont (and elsewhere) from the choicest and most reliable Trees enumerated in this catalogue. To insure promptness on my part, cash must accompany the order; and no care shall be wanting in selecting, packing and forwarding to the address of every purchaser.

MONEY SENT

to my address may be by post-office order or registered letter at my risk. Small sums may be sent in postage stamps.

On all orders sent me from abroad amounting to \$5.00 and upwards, I will prepay express charges to the nearest station to the purchaser anywhere in Vermont.

In order to hold me responsible for losses on Trees, parties must notify me before August 1st next following delivery, and where 15 per cent. are reported dead, I will pledge my honor that the fault is not with me nor my nursery, but through negligence of the purchaser, for which I shall not hold myself responsible. When trees are duly and properly set, there will in no case be 5 per cent. loss.

The Following are among the Varieties of Stock I am growing for the market.

Winter Varieties.

✓ BLUE PEARMAIN.—A large, handsome apple; deep red in color, with a rich, mild flavor; not tart enough to suit all tastes, but admired by many; a good bearer, late keeper, and profitable for a market apple. With me the tree is hardy. Price 35 cents.

NORTHERN SPY.—A very excellent winter apple; late coming to bearing; keeps well till May; an average bearer, and bears every year. Every farmer should grow them, though they wait so long for fruit; tree apparently hardy. Price 35 cents.

✓ BETHEL.—A choice winter variety; good size; handsome, resembling somewhat the Blue Pearmain in color, very excellent in flavor; moderate bearer, but bears every year; January to March; tree reliable. Price 35 cents.

✓ ANDREWS' FAVORITE.—A tree originating on my farm. The old tree is now 82 years of age and vigorous. Fruit very handsome and of the finest flavor. Takes the first prize where exhibited over all seedling apples. Price 50 cents.

✓ TOLMAN SWEET.—An excellent winter variety, and one of the most profitable winter sweet apples we can grow for the market; color, light green; size, medium; tree, hardy; season—December to March. Price 35 cents.

✓ FAMEUSE.—This apple is too well known to be had in question. It is the standard of excellence for an early winter fruit; and I should class it among the most profitable varieties now found in the catalogue of fruit; comes early into bearing, is one of the most prolific bearers, and bears every year. I grow no apple that sells so readily as this variety in our market. The fruit is very handsome—a beautiful deep red, except where the fruit is considerably shaded by the tree. The flesh is very white and juicy; delicious as a desert apple. No farmer can grow too many of this variety, except he goes to such an extreme as to deprive him of other crops. Price 35 cents.

- ✓ **McINTOSH RED.**—This fruit is of superior excellence, somewhat resembling the Fameuse in size and color, yet a late keeper. I think it will prove an acquisition to the farmers of Vermont. There can be but little doubt as to the hardiness of the tree.
- ✓ **GOLDEN RUSSET.**—A apple of medium size; fine flavor: classed among the latest keepers; often found in our market until new apples are brought in. My trees that are now in bearing order are very fine and thrifty, presenting a smooth, lively color of bark on the body of the tree. Every farmer should grow them. Price 35 cents.
- ✓ **MAGOG REDSTREAK.**—The following is a quotation from Dr. Hoskins' catalogue: "This apple is a native seedling of Orleans county. exceedingly thrifty, perfectly hardy, a free and early bearer of large yellow apples, with red streaks on the sunny side; mild, rich, sub-acid in flavor; excellent for pies or dessert; keeps through March." Price 35 cents.
- ✓ **WEALTHY.**—This apple originated from seed sent from Maine, on the farm of Peter M. Gideon, Excelsior, Minn., twenty miles north of Minneapolis; is an early and mid-winter apple. It is said to be equal to the Fameuse, while the tree is as hardy as a crab, and almost as productive. The fruit is very handsome, fair, and of the Fameuse type, though larger. What I have learned of this apple induces me to set largely of this variety for future profit. Season—January and February. Price 50 cents.
- ✓ **FOSTER GREENING.**—This apple originated on the farm of T. C. Foster, in Berlin, Vt. It has never been introduced into the market, but I found on thorough investigation that it was an apple of merit, and should occupy a place among its peers. It is of full medium size, very smooth, with slight cavity at the stem; a very excellent flavor for pies or dessert. There being no trees grown except those I am growing, we have only to judge of hardiness by the old, original tree. The young trees are fine growers, and I judge will be reliable. The old tree is said to have been a good bearer. Season, December and January. Price 50 cents.
- ✓ **WOLF RIVER.**—This apple, originated in Wisconsin, Waupaca county, and bears the highest reputation both as to hardiness and quality of fruit. William A. Springer, of Fremont, Wis., (though a stranger to me) reports that this apple is one of the first in the State as to its standing, having no superior in hardiness; good keeper and excel-

lent bearer; and I would say that among my young trees I have no tree that promises fairer than this one. I shall introduce this tree to my customers with the utmost confidence. Specialty. Price 75 cents. See testimonials in the latter part of this catalogue. I know of no trees of this variety for sale in Vermont except in my nursery.

✓ PEWAUKEE.—This apple is a seedling of Dutchess of Oldenburgh; tree a strong grower, and hardy; flesh white: juicy; sub-acid, with a rich, aromatic flavor; a great bearer. January to May; price 35 cents.

✓ GRIMES' GOLDEN.—An apple of the highest quality: medium to large size; yellow; tree hardy; vigorous; productive; grown in southern Ohio. January to April: price 35 cents.

✓ WINTER PIPPIN.—A very excellent apple of large size; very smooth; of light green or straw color. It has but few equals put into our market for a table apple or cooking; January and February; price 50 cents.

✓ WALBRIDGE.—Medium size striped with red; handsome and of excellent quality; vigorous grower and productive; one of the finest trees I grow; said to be very hardy, and considered of great value in the north and northwest. March to June; price 50 cents.

✓ AUCUBIFOLIA.—This is a Russian apple of real merit; nearly as large as Baldwin; rich sub-acid flavor; good for both eating and cooking, and keeps well into January; tree perfectly hardy and very productive. Price 35 cents.

✓ HAMPSHIRE SWEET.—One of the most beautiful sweet apples in the catalogue of fruit; very large and smooth; tree very hardy; rather late coming to bearing. October to December. Price 35 cents.

✓ Summer and Fall Varieties.

RED ASTRACHAN.—A very handsome red apple; most excellent for cooking, with fine, lively flavor; ripens in August; a good bearer; tree hardy; price 35 cents.

✓ DUCHESS OF OLDENBURGH.—A large, handsome apple, beautifully striped with red on straw color ground; one of the earliest coming into bearing, and a great bearer; tree perfectly hardy; ripens in August and the fore part of September; most excellent for cooking purposes; price 35 cents.

✓ **LADIES' KISS.**—This variety originated on my farm; tree same age of Andrews' Favorite, and yet alive. It is one of the sweetest of the apple family, having a most delicious flavor, and for baking I know of no superior; very prolific, and bears every year; medium size; September and October; price 35 cents.

✓ **FOUNDLING.**—An apple of more than medium size; beautifully striped with red; an excellent bearer; very profitable for a market apple. It has a high reputation in Randolph and vicinity, where it is best known; tree reliable, but not handsome and upright in form; season—September and October; price 35 cents.

✓ **MUNSON SWEET.**—A fine straw color of medium size; classed among the most delicious for eating or baking; a prolific bearer; a very profitable apple to grow for the market; tree a fine grower, and reliable; season, October to December; price 35 cents.

✓ **PEACH APPLES.**—Medium size; round, or a little flattened; yellowish green, streaked with red; flesh white, tender and juicy; tree very hardy; highly prized in the extreme north. September; price 35 cents.

✓ **BARNES' CHOICE.**—Medium size; light green or straw color; very prolific and excellent quality. Originated in Barre, Vt. Mr. Warren Barnes (from whom it takes its name) told me he had sold \$50.00 worth of fruit from the original tree in one season; price 35 cents.

✓ **WHITE ASTRACHAN.**—A beautiful summer variety, superior to the Red Astrachan every way; one of the handsomest apples in the catalogue of fruit; comes early to bearing; tree an upright grower, and perfectly hardy; August and September; price 35 cents.

I would call the attention of farmers to a few new varieties of great excellence which I shall be able to put upon the market in small quantities soon: **WEYAWAGA**, **WRIGHTMAN'S BLUSH**, **MARTHA**, **FLORA**, **YELLOW TRANSPARENT**, **SHARLOTTENHALER**, together with some others of which I will describe in a future catalogue.

✓ **TRANSCENDENT CRAB.**—I think this one of the most desirable crab apples introduced into our market; but as there is but little call for crabs in these times, I am growing but few. Every farmer should grow a tree or two. They are perfectly reliable; most profuse bearers; for sauce or jelly they are desirable. Price 35 cents.

Pears.

✓ **CLAPP'S FAVORITE.**—A large, new fine pear, a cross between Bartlett and Flemish Beauty, resembling the Bartlett; pale lemon yellow, with brown dots; fine texture, melting; with a rich, sweet, delicate flavor; tree hardy and productive. August and September. Price 75 cents.

✓ **FLEMISH BEAUTY.**—Large; beautiful; juicy; melting; rich and fine; strong grower, and good bearer; hardy anywhere. September and October; price 75 cents.

✓ **BEURRE D' ANJOU.**—A large, fine pear, of French origin, with sprightly, vinous flavor: tree a fine grower and good bearer; hardy and reliable. October to January; price 75 cents.

Grapes.

✓ **CHAMPION.**—This variety has been known a number of years, but has lately been introduced to the public; it is valued chiefly for its earliness, ripening its fruit about the first of August; berry black, and good flavor; price 75 cents.

✓ **CONCORD.**—A popular variety where the choicer kinds fail to ripen; universally healthy, vigorous and productive; bunch large, nearly black; price 50 cents.

✓ **BRIGHTON.**—A cross between the Concord and Diana Hamburg; it gives the best of satisfaction, as far as tried; bunches large: berries of medium size; dark red; flesh sweet, tender, and of the highest quality; ripen one week earlier than the Delaware; and is very hardy; price \$1.00.

Plums.

✓ **PEACH PLUM.**—Very large and handsome; dull red; good; very productive. Last of July; price 75 cents.

✓ **YELLOW EGG.**—Fruit of the very largest size; skin yellow, with numerous white spots; flesh yellow; sub-acid; fine for cooking; tree vigorous, and very productive. Last of August; price 75 cents.

✓ **LOMBARD.**—Medium round; oval; violet red; juicy, pleasant and good; tree vigorous and productive, one of the most hardy and popular of the west. Last of August; price 75 cents.

The small fruits, such as strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, gooseberries, currants, etc., ripening from the first of June till fall are everywhere capable of successful cultivation, and yield large returns at comparatively small expense; they should have a place in every garden; since the introduction of self-sealing jars and cans they can be had throughout the year almost as fresh as when gathered.

Raspberries.

✓ **BRANDYWINE.**—Stands very high, because of its extreme hardiness; great productiveness; large size and beautiful color; price \$1.50 per dozen.

✓ **MAMMOTH CLUSTER.**—Bush a very rank, upright grower with but few thorns; foliage dark, rich green; fruit large, and holds out large to the last picking; black, with a rich purple tinge; very juicy; high flavored and delicious; perfectly hardy; price \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **CRIMSON BEAUTY.**—This is a new seedling red raspberry grown by one of Kansas, best known fruit growers, Dr. Stayman, of Leavenworth county. What he says of it: Better in quality than any other he has grown, and he has fruited Cuthbert, Naomi, Turner, Superb, Brandywine, Reliance, Henryetta, Hesstine etc., etc. It is of very large size; bright glossy scarlet, round to oblongish; earlier than Turner; of a more pleasant sprightly flavor; equally as hardy; more productive and of much larger size.

Mr. Purdy (of whom I received my roots) says he will test it beside the Marlboro or any other sort, and will pay \$1.000 for 1,000 plants planted beside 1,000 plants we have out on our farm if it does not prove superior in all points claimed for it, over the country at large; 25 cents each, \$2.50 per dozen.

Blackberry.

✓ **THE SNYDER** is among the best berries of its kind; a marvel for productiveness; fruit of medium size; sweet and melting to the core; for hardiness it has few equals; price \$2.00 per dozen.

Strawberry.

✓ **CRESENT SEEDLING.**—This is beyond question a wonderful strawberry, its productiveness is astonishing, fifteen thousand quarts

(468 bushels) are said to have been gathered from one acre in one season. In size it is medium to large; in color brilliant; quality good, having the peculiar wild flavor, perfectly hardy; 25 cents per dozen, \$1.50 per 100.

✓ **IRON CLAD.**—One of the largest strawberries grown. Purdy (of whom I received my plants) says of it, he would have been willing to have paid \$5,000 for the original stock if he could have had entire control of it. He says if he has any new or old sorts that will take the prize over the Big Bob it is this sort. Purdy has been in the strawberry business for over 35 years and he says he has never had the equal of this sort. A prominent horticulturalist of Missouri says the only objection, if any, is that the berry is too large; 30 cents per dozen, \$2.00 per 100.

Gooseberries.

✓ **DOWNING.**—Origin, Newburgh, N. Y. Fruit large, roundish, light green, with distinct veins, skin smooth, flesh rather soft; juicy and very good; vigorous and very productive; 20 cents each, \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **HOUGHTON SEEDLING.**—A vigorous American sort; very productive; free from mildew; fruit medium, roundish, smooth, of pale red color, tender, sweet, and of a delicious flavor; 20 cents each, \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **SMITH'S IMPROVED.**—Large, pale greenish yellow; excellent quality; fine for table use; 20 cents each, \$2.00 per dozen.

Currants.

✓ **LA VERSAILLAIS.**—Large red; bunch long; of great beauty and excellent quality; very productive; \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **CHERRY CURRANT.**—A strong growing variety; leaves large and dark green; valuable for the market; \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **WHITE GRAPE.**—Very large, mild and excellent; the best table variety; very distinct from White Dutch; the best of the white sorts; \$2.00 per dozen.

✓ **FAY'S PROLIFIC.**—This wonderful currant now stands at the head of all its class in the estimation of our leading horticulturalists wherever tested. The favor shown by small fruit growers and fanciers to Fay's Prolific is without precedence in the history of small fruits. It was originated by the late Lincoln Fay, of Portland, Chautauqua

County, N. Y., from a seedling of the Cherry and Victoria currants. Plate and testimonials sent free on application. Price, 1 year 50 cents, 2 years 75 cents.

BERLIN, VERMONT, January, 1887.

I take great pleasure in calling the attention of all who are interested in fruit to that wonderful apple, the Wolf River, (for description see catalogue). The attention of the public was called, through the columns of the papers in the fall of 1884, to visit my trees of this variety. Many availed themselves of the opportunity, and every man and woman that saw my Wolf River trees in bearing, said they never saw the equal in their life, neither did they believe Vermont ever produced its equal for its prolific bearing, large size and beauty of shape and color. I also called the attention of the Legislature of Vermont and the public generally, in October 1884, to my fine show of fruit, on exhibition for a few days in front of the Pavilion at D. Dewey's store. The impression was general upon the public mind, and as far as I was able to learn, every man that expressed himself, without hesitation said that the show was very fine, and that the Wolf River apple beat anything ever shown in our State. It is finding a large sale, and in spite of every opposition that may be arrayed by competitors, it has got to go. I defy all the powers of man to hinder its sale. All that is required is to have it known, and known it shall be at any expense, if we can judge by its fruits. I make plain to say, for its cooking quality, I doubt if it ever had a superior. The following are a few of the many testimonials I give from most reliable authority:

Berlin, Vt., Nov. 7th, 1884.

MR. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

I think the Wolf River apple one of the best apples for pies I have ever seen. They are very large; one is sufficient for a pie. Anyone wishing for an apple pie, rich in flavor, will be pleased with this variety.

MRS. J. S. WHELOCK.

P. S.—I have waited so long you may think I did not appreciate your kindness, but that is not so. The fruit looked so pretty I hated to cut it, but I did at last, and we were treated to a most delicious pie. I really wish you had come here years before with your nice fruit, so we would have had trees bearing by this time. I suppose I must wait patiently, but I don't want to.

Berlin, Vt., Nov. 1884.

A Wolf River pie I ate to-day,
And in reply will briefly say,
Of all the pies of half a score
It beats them all a mile or more.

A FRIEND.

Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 11th, 1884.

MR. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

Wishing something in the way of sauce we desired to test your Wolf River apples, which turned out a delicious dish indeed, the three being a great plenty for five in family. And

should we own a place would not consider it complete without this variety of trees. With pleasure we add our names.

MR. & MRS. J. P. HAYES.

MR. E. E. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

The Wolf River apples received from you have been thoroughly tested at your request. They were made into a pie, and we are free to acknowledge that we never saw a better cooking apple, besides their noble size and color make them very attractive. We wish you large success in the sale of such trees, as we think they should be found in every farmer's garden. They must be ornamental as well as beautiful.

MR. & MRS. HENRY COBB.

Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 8th, 1884.

MR. ANDREWS:—

Devoted to the best interests of my adopted State, "The Switzerland of America," I have watched with interest your success in apple culture till it has arrived at perfection and is a public benefaction; an appetizing table is an attractive and important element in every home, therefore I speak of the superior excellence of the Wolf River apple for cooking purposes. Friends who have tested its merits say "it cannot be excelled." Yours Respectfully.

MRS. GEO. W. SCOTT.

Montpelier, Nov. 19th, 1884.

MR. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

I made two pies out of the three Wolf River apples you sent me, and I can say truly that they are the nicest pie apples I ever saw; they cook soft, so soon, and are tart and juicy. It seems as though any man who had even a small garden spot, would do well to put one or two "Wolf River" trees in; especially if he had a wife who was willing to make him such good pies, short cakes, apple sauce, etc., as those apples make. He must have something serious the matter with his head, or heart, or pocket, or all together, who won't see that it is for his interest, and his families too, to have the best fruit when it is within his reach, I shall wait anxiously for our trees to get old enough to bear, for the apples are A No. 1. Can't be excelled.

MR. & MRS. JEROME W. LELAND.

Berlin, Vt., Nov. 28th, 1884.

MR. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

Our thanks are due you for the fine specimens of Wolf River apples sent to us. We can cheerfully recommend them as a fine cooking apple, juicy and of fine flavor.

Respectfully Yours, MR. & MRS. J. N. PERRIN.

We, the undersigned, have eaten pies made of the Wolf River apples and have no hesitation in claiming it to be the very best pie apple we have ever known.

ASA WEED, Hartland Four Corners, Vt.

J. O. KINGSLEY, Athens, Vt.,

LEONARD JOHNSON,

M. V. B. PRATT, West Pawlet, Vt.

The above were members of the Vermont Legislature, 1884.

Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 1884.

I have used the Wolf River apples for pies, and can conscientiously say it is the best pie apple I have ever known. MRS. E. D. MASON.

Woodstock, Vt., Dec. 27th, 1884.

E. E. ANDREWS, Berlin, Vt:—

Eating of is the proof of the excellency of the Wolf River apple for cooking, as of the best quality. It cooked the most even, and was of delicious flavor, fine grain and of small core. It is not often one apple will make a large pie.

S. F. STERLIN.

Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 1884.

MR. ANDREWS. Dear Sir:—

The Wolf River apples you sent us were enjoyable, deserving the highest praise for their superior quality and excellence. Among the many varieties we have used in the past we never have found a superior, and cannot say as we ever found an equal. We are happy to hail the day when women can sit down and pare one apple of superior excellence sufficient to make a pie, the eating of which, like the old ladies' pudding, speaks for itself. We wish you great success.

MRS. ADA B. GREENWOOD,

MRS. R. L. FALES,

MRS. J. H. BURPEE.

Berlin, Vt., Jan. 8th, 1885.

MR. E. E. ANDREWS. Sir:—

The Wolf River apples you gave me to test their qualities proved all you claim for them and more, they cook even and quick, are tart, make best of pies or sauce and are very fine looking.

TRUMAN R. FOSTER.

Only for the reason that I am growing trees for sale, I should urge upon my brother farmers to purchase their trees at a height never to exceed five feet, and would prefer them less rather than more. The reasons are obvious. It must be clearly understood that every tree has grown a root in proportion to its top; therefore a tree six or seven feet high has a root extending so far into the soil that it cannot be easily removed without injury to the larger roots, thus retarding the progress of the young tree. This is not merely theory, it is fact based upon a scientific principle, and cannot be denied. Perhaps I may fail to impress this fact upon the minds of many, but if so, your experience may prove your better teacher; and truly our observations should not fail to be our instructor. Those of us who have bought trees of large growth can easily remember that the largest roots have been badly bruised, and certainly proved no advantage to the tree, except it be for an experiment, to see how much the tree could endure and not die. In setting a smaller tree they can be removed from the soil with perfect root, and be reset with far less trouble, and are far more likely to thrive than the larger tree. Thanking my patrons for past favors, I remain, Respectfully Yours,

E. E. ANDREWS.