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CUTLER, DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, U. S. A.

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IN PRESENTING our Price List for this season, we do so, confident of being fully able to satisfy our customers, both in quality and price of plants. Our location is unequalled for the production of healthy plants at low prices. Our method of packing is unsurpassed. We can ship safely to any point of the world. Foreign trade solicited.

Terms Cash, or good references. All bills due on receipt of goods. Foreign orders, cash in advance. Remit only by draft on New York or money order on Key West, Florida. All orders to be booked, 10 per cent. down. Packing free. All orders delivered free at the Express or Freight Office at Key West. Make money orders payable to

MARTIN BENSON,

President and Manager Florida Horticultural Co.,

CUTLER, DADE CO., FLORIDA, U. S. A.

NEW FIG.**THE COMMERCIAL SMYRNA.**

The only genuine "Fig of Commerce." Imported by us direct from Smyrna, and introduced for the first this season. The fig is destined to become one of our most valuable fruits, hence it is important that we secure the best. The "Commercial Smyrna" combines in the highest degree all the essential qualities pertaining to a good drying fig. The fruit is of large size, transparent, white in color and of the richest and most exquisite quality. The tree is an extremely vigorous grower and enormously productive; in fact, the quantity of fruit produced by a tree in full bearing is almost incredible. Does not crack in drying, produces the finest dried fruit of any variety, and is unsurpassed for table use, canning or preserving. The foliage is large, of a beautiful light green color. The tree makes a most beautiful avenue or shade tree. Trees in nursery rows, grown from cuttings planted *this spring, are loaded with fruit.* In all respects the best fig grown. We want every Nurseryman in the South and California to catalogue it, and to all who do so, printing the above description, we will allow a discount of 50 per cent. from retail prices. You will regret it if you do not secure a stock of this fig now; there is sure to be an immense demand for it.

	Each.	Doz.	100	1,000
RETAIL PRICES. Extra large bearing trees	\$1 00	\$10 00		
Well rooted, nice trees, 1 to 2 feet high,	75	7 50		
Mailing size	50	4 00		
WHOLESALE PRICES. Extra size		7 00	\$50 00	
Second size			40 00	\$300 00
Mailing size			20 00	150 00

NUT TREES.

We defy competition in quality, price and variety of nut trees.

		Per 100	Per 1,000
WALNUTS.	Thin or Paper Shelled. One of the very best	1 year trees	\$8 00 \$60 00
	2 year trees		12 00 80 00
CHESTNUTS.	Chaberte, Franquette, Mayette.	1 year trees	10 00 70 00
	Spanish common; 1 year		5 00 40 00
	2 years		10 00
FILBERTS.	Nonzillard ar Lude. Very large,		8 00 60 00
	Japan Mammoth. 3 to 4 feet		35 00
	Many fine sorts; 2 year layers		13 00 100 00

MELON PEAR OR PEPINO.

This delicious fruit, a member of the Solanum family, recently introduced from the Highlands of Central America, is worthy of the most extensive trial, both in this country and Europe. It forms a low, spreading plant, with luxuriant foliage, and bears a fruit about the size and shape of a goose egg. The color is lemon or pale orange color, with streaks or waves of bright violet, the whole making a fruit unrivaled in beauty. The interior of the fruit is solid pulp, free of seeds, of a pale yellow color; flavor resembles that of a fine musk melon, having also a rich sub-acid taste, very delicious. The fruit ripens in about three months from planting. Will doubtless do well anywhere north, also in Europe, especially England, as it delights in a cool, moist climate. It makes a splendid pot plant.

We have an enormous stock of fine well-rooted plants (not mere rooted cuttings as frequently sold), which we offer at the following low rates:

\$6 per 100, \$25 per 1,000; pot grown plants (best for exporting) \$10 per 100, \$60 per 1,000; large plants with bloom buds, \$15 per 100.

MISCELLANEOUS FRUITS.

The following are almost all good pot plants. It will pay you to catalogue them.

GUAVAS. Grown from cuttings from choice fruit. Will bear the first year and makes one of the finest pot plants grown; every florist should sell it. Strong plants, \$6 per 100, \$40 per 1,000.

FIGS. Lemon, etc., good for pot culture; 15 in. to 2 feet, \$15 per 100, \$100 per 1,000; mailing size, \$8 per 100, \$60 per 1,000.

TAMERINDS. From East Indian seed, superior varieties. This makes one of the finest avenue and shade trees known, and is also a desirable fruit. 15 in. to 2 feet, \$2 per doz., \$8 per 100, \$75 per 1,000.

BANANAS. Horse, Cavendish, etc. Fine for bedding out, north, in summer; \$15 per 100, \$100 per 1,000.

PINEAPPLES. Red Spanish sets, \$12 per 1,000, \$100 per 10,000. Rooted plants, \$10 per 100, \$90 per 1,000.

POMEGRANATES. Sweet; fine plant for pots, bears young; \$8 per 100.

NATIVE FLORIDA PLANTS.

Every florist should catalogue these plants; all are beautiful and interesting.

AIR PLANTS. Seldom seen at the north, but should be in every collection of plants; flowers purple, with brilliant crimson buds, bracts and flower stalks. Plants 2 to 5 inches in diameter, \$6 per 100, \$30 per 1,000; plants 6 to 12 inches in diameter, \$10 per 100, \$50 per 1,000.

ORCHIDS. *Epidendrum conopseum* and *E. venosum*. Beautiful plants; should be in all collections. \$1 per dozen, \$5 per 100.

FICUS AUREA (Rubber Tree.) Almost equal to *F. Elastica*. \$5 per 100, \$30 per 1,000

SABAL PALMETTO and **S. SERRULATA.** Small plants, 75 cents per dozen, \$5 per 100.

MELON TREE or **PAW PAW** (*Carica Papaya*.) Very beautiful and interesting pot plant. Pot grown plants, \$10 per 100.

ZAMIA INTEGRIFOLIA. A true cycad, and a most elegant plant for pot culture. \$1 per dozen, \$5 per 100, \$30 per 1,000.

COCOA PLUMS. White and black; beautiful foliage. \$1 per dozen, \$5 per 100.

SUGAR APPLES. This also makes a desirable pot plant. \$1 per dozen, \$8 per 100.

POND APPLES. Nice plants, \$1 per dozen, \$5 per 100.

AGAVA RIGIDA. Large; \$1 per dozen, \$8 per 100.

CACTUS. Two or three species. \$1 per dozen, \$5 per 100.

ERYTHINA HERBACEA. \$1 per dozen, \$8 per 100.

Any other native plants, price on application. Address

MARTIN BENSON, President.

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