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Catalogue of

Bulbs and Winter Plants.

Address

The Charles A. Reeser Co.
Urbana, Ohio.

CHANGE OF LOCATION.

You will notice that my address is now at URBANA, instead of Springfield. We have here an entire new range of greenhouses, and are better equipped for handling your orders than we have ever been in the past. In the future address all orders to

THE C. A. REESER CO., Urbana, Ohio.
C. A. REESER, Manager.

NEW TERMS OF SALE.

LOWER PRICES.

ADVANTAGES TO BUYERS.

For a number of years it has been our custom to offer a series of premiums on orders in the shape of discounts, etc. Realizing that in many instances this was confusing to purchasers, we have decided this season to abandon all such, and to reduce our prices to a corresponding or even lower level, a plan which we feel will be more satisfactory to buyers in every respect.

Not only have we brought our prices down to the basis of no premiums or discounts, but we have put them even lower in many instances

The tendency of the times is towards low net prices, and we feel sure that our action in cutting loose from the practice, universal in the trade, of giving premiums and offering "special inducements," will be endorsed and appreciated by our customers.

ORDERS FOR LESS THAN FIFTY CENTS

will not be filled unless **ten cents additional** to the price of the plants be sent to pay postage. It is quite as much trouble to handle, and requires nearly as much postage to mail a small order as it does for one of two or three dollars' worth of plants. This does not apply to seeds, as we fill orders for any amount.

Ten Fine Freesia Bulbs Given Away. Read the Following, Names Wanted.

I should be very much obliged if each one into whose hands this catalogue may come would send me the addresses of ten persons who they are assured are in the habit of purchasing plants and seeds. I would far rather have the names of ten persons who are actually buyers than the names of fifty who are not. In return for this favor I will mail to your address ten fine bulbs of Freesias. For further description of these bulbs see page 8.

SPECIAL LOW-PRICE COLLECTION OF PLANTS AND BULBS.

Only 50 Cents Will buy any of the collections named below, delivered safely by mail, postpaid, to any address. These collections are all fine, strong plants, of the best varieties, and are marvels of cheapness. I can only afford to sell them so cheap by growing these sorts in immense numbers. The choice of varieties must invariably be left to me, the purchaser simply naming the number of the set or sets desired. Every plant is plainly labeled, and there are no two varieties alike in the same collection. When ordering collections use number, letter, and name. We can not make any change in these collections.

Any six of these collections mailed free to any address for \$2.50.

COLLECTION OF PLANTS.

Col. One.—Ten choice-named ever-blooming Roses.

Col. Two.—Five plants of Carnation Pinks, grown out in the field during the summer. Fine, large plants.

Col. Three.—Six fine Chinese Primroses, unequalled as winter bloomers.

Col. Four.—Ten varieties of Flowering Begonias. You will receive some extra choice sorts if you order this collection.

Col. Five.—Ten choice Double-flowering Geraniums; a fine range of color.

Col. Six.—Ten single flowering Geraniums. New colors are found in this choice collection.

Col. Seven.—Twelve choice Chrysanthemums. This assortment is made up from the famous prize-winners of the recent shows.

Col. Eight.—Ten assorted flowering plants. You will find some gems in this collection.

COLLECTION OF BULBS.

Col. A.—Ten fine assorted double and single Hyacinths.

Col. B.—Twenty-five fine assorted single and double mixed Tulips; all colors.

Col. C.—Seventy fine assorted Crocuses; all colors mixed.

Col. D.—Ten assorted double and single Narcissus.

Col. E.—Twenty-five Freesias; grown with little care; hosts of lovely blossoms; delicious perfume.

Col. F.—Five *Lilium Harrisii*; white Easter Lily; easy to grow; sure to bloom.

Col. G.—Three fine bulbs of *Lily Auratum*. See fourth cover page for description.

Col. H.—Five Hyacinths (double and single), ten Crocuses (assorted), six Tulips, two Sparaxis, two *Triteas*, two Narcissus, two *Ixias*, two *Alliums*, two *Tritonas*, four Freesias. This collection is intended more especially for winter flowering.

Col. I.—Collection of bulbs for outdoor bedding. Five Hyacinths (assorted colors), ten Tulips (double and single), twelve Crocuses (all colors mixed), two Narcissus, four Iris, six Scillas, four Anemones, one *Gloria of the Snow*.

AUTUMN, 1894.

—A FEW REMARKS ABOUT ORDERING.—

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

Our prices are strictly cash.—The proper remittance must in all cases accompany the order, and should be enclosed with it.

MONEY AT OUR RISK.—All Money sent us by Post-office Money Order, Bank Draft, Express Money Order or Registered Letter is at our risk, and we will be responsible for its safe arrival, and will send full value for it in all cases.

POST-OFFICE MONEY ORDERS can now be had at most all Post-offices, and are absolutely safe. If the letter enclosing it is lost, send us the number, date and amount, the office at which it was payable, a list of what you ordered, and we will fill the order at once, and apply for a duplicate of the lost Money Order, which the Government will furnish in such cases.

BANK DRAFTS, drawn on any city bank and made payable to our order, are good and can be had at all banks. If lost, the bank will issue a duplicate.

EXPRESS MONEY ORDERS are one of the cheapest and best ways of sending us Money. Perfectly safe, because if lost a duplicate can be had by applying to the Express Company.

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FREE BY MAIL.—At the prices named in this book we send everything offered by Mail, postpaid; when we ship by Express it is at the purchaser's request and expense.

WE GUARANTEE all orders to arrive safely to any point in the United States, whether sent by Mail or Express; if anything is injured or spoiled in any way before delivery, it will cheerfully be replaced without cost.

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THE G. A. REESER CO.,

URBANA, OHIO.

THIS ILLUSTRATION IS COPIED FROM "POPULAR GARDENING."

Depth at Which Bulbs Should be Planted.

Many of our customers are frequently puzzled to know the proper depth and distance apart at which bulbs should be planted. The accompanying diagram, reproduced from "Popular Gardening," conveys the information much more clearly and briefly than we could describe it. The chart will bear careful study. **Out door plantings should be done early** in the fall to secure healthy plants, vigorous foliage and beautiful flowers.

ROMAN HYACINTHS.

We wish to call special attention to these beautiful Roman Hyacinths, which are so valuable for early winter blooming. They are among the few flowers which can be had as early as Christmas and New Years. Each bulb throws up several spikes of flowers, which are very beautiful and fragrant, and when kept in a cool room will keep perfect for weeks. Three can be planted in a four or five inch pot, and will soon be in flower. In the garden they are first of all Hyacinths to bloom.

Single White.—Elegant waxy white bells, of great beauty and fragrance. Large bulbs, 6 cents each.

Single Blue.—Lovely dark blue. A fine contrast to the white variety. 6 cents each.

Single Pink.—Fine flowers of a beautiful blush pink color, 6 cents each.

COMPARE PRICES.—When comparing our prices with others please bear in mind the fact that we pay postage, whereas, in most cases, you must add postage to the catalogue prices. We also guarantee satisfaction.

HYACINTHS.

TYPE OF SINGLE NAMED
HYACINTH.

TYPE OF DOUBLE NAMED
HYACINTHS.

THE Hyacinth is one of the most universally admired, both for its perfect and chaste flowers, and its delicate and fragrant perfume. "Perhaps it is not too much to assert," writes an author on "Bulbs and Bulb Culture," that the Hyacinth is at once the most useful and popular bulb at the present day. It affords support for thousands, pleasure and delight to millions of the human race. From its eastern home it has spread west, south and north, until its beauty and fragrance enrich all civilized people. It succeeds equally well in the house and garden, adorning both with the varied colors and delicious fragrance of its showy flowers. Its culture is very simple, and if attention is paid to the directions a failure is almost impossible.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS.—Hyacinths in beds or borders should be planted from October till frost sets in. They succeed in any good garden soil. Add some two inches of well rotted manure, dig deep and plant the bulbs about five or six inches apart, with a little sand around them, and three inches below the surface, covering during winter with leaves, straw or pulverized manure, to protect them from frost. The bed should be in a sunny position, and raised or drained so that water will not stand on the bulbs. A little sand placed below and around the bulbs permits the water to drain off in wet soils.

Before very severe weather comes on it is necessary to cover the beds with straw, leaves or manure, to protect them from the severe cold during winter; but care should be taken that this covering be not too thick and dense, as the bulbs are rather more likely to be injured by being kept too warm than by freezing. The covering can be removed in March and the result is certain.

In ordinary seasons the bulbs will flower from the middle of April forward. The flowers may be cut freely as wanted without injury to the bulbs. When the flowers fade the stalk should be removed to strengthen the bulbs, and after flowering, when leaves have faded, bulbs should be lifted and allowed to remain the a week or two until perfectly dry; then after removing the old leaves and stems they will be ready to pack away in a cool dry place for autumn use.

All Hyacinths are well adapted to pot culture and open beds and borders.

DIRECTIONS FOR GROWING HYACINTHS IN POTS.—Use a five or six-inch pot; fill rather loosely to the brim, and press the bulb down so that one-fourth of it appears above the soil. Then water freely to settle the soil, and place where it is cool and dark to encourage a strong development of the roots before the

buds start to grow at the top. Such a situation can be made by covering up the pots with four inches of sand in a cool cellar or in a sunken pit, in each case covering with sand or leaves to exclude heat or frost. A strong development of roots can only be had at a low temperature, say from forty to fifty degrees, and any attempt to force them to make roots quicker by placing them in a high temperature will certainly enfeeble the flower. There is no need to water except at the time of potting, provided the pots have been covered up as directed. They may be removed from their dark quarters in from six to eight weeks, placed in full light and watered freely.

GLASS CULTURE.—To grow in glasses, select a dark colored glass, fill with water until the base of the bulb rests on the water, and set away in the dark, as directed for pot culture. Fill up the glass with water as fast as it evaporates. If the water becomes impure it should be changed and the roots well cleansed before putting in again. A small piece of charcoal put in the glass will keep the water pure much longer. After the roots have attained a growth the glass can be brought into the light and placed in a cool room near a window. Give them as much fresh air as possible without a direct draft, plenty of light, and keep the glasses sufficiently full of water. Do not keep them in a close, warm room, nor about a fireplace. If removed out of the direct rays of the sun the flowers will last longer.

✻ SINGLE NAMED HYACINTHS. ✻

Single Hyacinths are by some held in less estimation than double ones; but on a closer acquaintance with their fine qualities, they will be found more deserving of cultivation. They are desirable for their early flowering, especially in pots or glasses. Their colors are more brilliant and they excel the double in their fine odor and greater profusion of bells. Price, 8 cents each.

- Alba Superba**—Fine large bells on tall spikes, pure white.
- Charles Dickens**—Beautiful light blue always produces very large compact spikes, very early and one of the best of its color.
- Gertrude**—Large and fine spikes, the flowers show two distinct shades of pink, one light and the other dark, very attractive.
- Gigantea**—Fine delicate pink, enormous spike, and large bells, one of the best.
- Grand Merville**—Delicate creamy-blush flowers, large, beautiful compact spikes, one of the best.
- Herman**—Citron yellow, large spike, the finest yellow Hyacinth in cultivation.
- King of the Blues**—Dark blue, very large spike and bells; perhaps the finest handsome blue Hyacinth in cultivation.
- La Franchise**—Enormous bell and flower spike, flowers light delicate blush, one of the finest for pots or culture in glasses.
- Madam Hodson**—Enormous compact spike of bright red flowers, one of the finest of this color.
- Maid of Orleans**—Pure white, a very large well-formed truss, fine for cutting, does well in glasses.
- Norma**—One of the most beautiful pink or blush Hyacinths, grand spike, and gigantic bells.
- Paix de Europe**—Very fine snow white, large spike and large bells, a grand variety either for pot culture or for glasses.
- Queen of Hyacinths**—Dark crimson red, large spike, one of the very finest in cultivation.
- Robert Steiger**—Very fine large compact spike of bright crimson red flowers, should be in every collection.
- Veronica**—Unsurpassed for pot culture, large beautiful red, easily forced.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$1.00 I will send free by mail the above set of 15 extra fine named Hyacinths.

NAMED DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

PRICE, 8 CENTS EACH.

IN regard to the relative beauty of Hyacinths, there is, perhaps, no greater fallacy than that double are more beautiful than single. We admit that well-grown double Hyacinths are exquisitely beautiful; but if taken as a whole, they are by no means superior to the single. The colors of the latter are richer and more diversified, the spike of bloom larger and more compact, and, what to the amateur is of more importance, they are more easily grown, and therefore better adapted for water, sand and moss culture.

Anna Maria—Delicate creamy blush, with purple center, double bells on tall spikes.

Bloksburg—Porcelain blue, marbled, extra large bells and spikes, one of the finest light blue Hyacinths in cultivation.

Bouquet Tendre—Carmine rose, large stem and spike, unsurpassed for pot culture.

Bride of Lammermoor—Beautifully variegated in the center, edged with very dark blue, tall spike, very double and compact.

Crown Prince—Long spike, fine double flowers, composed of two shades of light and dark blue.

Flevo—Pure waxy white, fine truss, and bells of superb variety.

Goeth—Probably the best double yellow; large spike.

Grootverst—Very fine blush pink, large spike and bells, fine for pot culture.

L'Esperance—Flowers light pink inside, shading to dark pink on the outside, outer petals tipped with green; a fine variety for pots.

La Tour de Auvergne—No doubt this is one of the very best whites in cultivation; very early and one of the purest white; does well in pots and glasses.

La Virginité—Beautiful blush white, flowers and spikes well formed and very large, good for pots and glasses.

Lord Wellington—Rich blue, striped lilac, with dark center, fine for growing in glasses.

Noble Par Merite—Very early; soft light pink, striped with deep pink through the center of each petal; one of the finest double pink varieties; equally good for pots or glasses.

Princess Royale—Fine large, compact spike of beautiful dark red-colored bells, a lovely color; fine for pots or glasses.

Queen Victoria—One of the most beautiful of Hyacinths; deep rosy blush flowers, large compact spike and bells; fine for pot culture.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only \$1.00 I will send the above set of 15 choice named double Hyacinths.

HYACINTHS IN SEPARATE COLORS AND MIXTURES.

In order to supply the best Hyacinths for the least money we make a great specialty of Hyacinths in separate colors and mixtures; all they lack is the name, which to very many flower growers is not a drawback. The Hyacinth bulbs we offer in this selection are as fine, large and well matured as any we send out, and will produce as perfect flowers. Whether for pot culture in the house or conservatory, or planting in the open ground, lovely Hyacinths are thus within the reach of all. Price, 5 cents each, except where noted.

Single Hyacinths, pure white and bluish white—Grand spikes of bloom, very popular color, each color separate.

Single Hyacinths, red, bluish and rose—Each color separate, lovely waxy effect in colors; the clear red or the delicate colors of the bluish and rose showing almost transparent.

Single Hyacinths, dark blue, light blue, and black—Each color separate, very distinct and striking, some being almost black.

Single Hyacinths, yellow and orange shades—The yellow and orange shades are very distinct. Price, 6 cents each.

Double Hyacinths, pure white and bluish white—Stout stalks, producing magnificent compact trusses of double waxy flowers.

Double Hyacinths, red bluish and rose—The color shows extremely clear and rich in the perfect double flowers.

Double Hyacinths, dark blue, light blue, and dark purple or black—Enormous trusses of rich strikingly clear double flowers.

Double Hyacinths, yellow and orange—Very distinct and lovely. Price, 6 cents each.

IXIAS AND SPARAXIS.

These are among the most beautiful of half-hardy bulbs, and when expanded in the sunshine, the rich, varied, and beautiful colors of their flowers present a picture of gorgeous beauty. For pot culture, the most suitable soil is equal portions of turfy loam, leaf-mould, and sand. Plant five or six bulbs in a five-inch pot, have the pots well drained, and plant the bulbs firmly about an inch deep. Set in a cool place and water sparingly until considerable growth is made, after which remove to where they are intended to bloom.

Ixias—All colors mixed, 1 cents each, 5 for 10 cts, 20 cts per doz.

Sparaxis—All colors mixed, 3c. each, 5 for 10c., 20c. per doz.

TRITELIA UNIFLORA.

A most valuable addition to winter flowering bulbs for house culture. The bulbs are small, and several can be planted in a four or five inch pot, each one of which will send up several flower-scapes bearing star-shaped blossoms, pure white, elegantly lined with celestial blue. 3 cents each, 25 cts per dozen.

MIXED HYACINTHS IN POT.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For \$1.00 I will send you free by mail, 20 single and double Hyacinths, all colors mixed, the best mixture of sound, well-matured red Hyacinths, and full range of colors

Choice Single Early Tulips

TULIPS are such universal favorites that it is not necessary to expatiate upon their merits here. Being perfectly hardy, their ease of culture combined with beauty of form and gorgeous coloring render them the most popular bulbs grown for spring bedding, as well as for winter flowering in the greenhouse and window garden. The superior beauty of NAMED TULIPS is not sufficiently known. Many rare varieties do not propagate fast enough to enable us to offer them in mixtures, which is the way the majority of people buy Tulips. Therefore to induce a trial of these magnificent sorts, we offer them this season at very low prices.

Artis—Beautiful vermillion.
Brutus—Orange crimson.
Bizard Verdict—Yellow and red.
Columbia—Gold striped.
Cardinal's Hat—Dark crimson.
Couleur Ponceau—Rosy white and crimson.
Crimson King—Fine bright crimson.
Duc de Orange—Orange and yellow.
Duc Niewkirk—Fine red, bright yellow border.
Elenore—Dark violet, white edge.
J. van Delft—Pure white.
Lac von Rhyn—Satin white and magenta.
Purple Crown—Pure crimson.
President Lincoln—Beautiful dark violet.
White and Red Bordered—White and delicately bordered with red.
Wouwerman—Dark violet, large flowers.

Price, 3 cents each.

SPECIAL OFFER—For 30 cents I will mail to any address the full set of 15 splendid named single Tulips, as above described.

CHOICE DOUBLE TULIPS.

Double Tulips have massive flowers of brilliant and varied colors, shades and markings. They are beautifully adapted for beds on the lawn, in the garden, and for mingling in clumps of half a dozen or more around the edges of shrubbery. They are exceedingly effective. The early sorts do splendidly when grown in pots for winter blooming, but must be forced much slower than Single Early Tulips by keeping them cooler.

The exquisite beauty of the NAMED TULIPS is not sufficiently known. Many rare varieties do not propagate fast enough to enable us to offer them in mixtures, which is the way the majority of people

buy Tulips. Therefore, to induce a trial of these magnificent sorts we offer them this season at very low prices.

Admiral Kingsbergen—Golden yellow and red, showy.
Belle Brunette—White, feathered with crimson.
Blanc Borde—Violet and white bordered.
Belle Alliance—Blue violet, striped white.
Bonaparte—Brown and violet.
Cramoise Superbe—Light Carmine red.
Duc van Tholl—Red, with yellow border.
Duc van Tholl—Fine bright scarlet.
Duke of York—Rose bordered white, very fine.
Glorio Solis—Crimson with yellow margin.
La Candeur—Pure white the best of its color.
Paenon Red—Deep red, superb flowers.
Purple Crown—Dark velvety crimson.
Titian—Red, edged with gold, beautiful.
Yellow Rose—Bright Yellow, fragrant.

Price 3 cents each,

SPECIAL OFFER—For 30 cents I will mail the above set of 15 splendid named Tulips, a marvel of cheapness.

RARE TULIPS.

The varieties we offer under this heading are all magnificent varieties, the "cream" of this incomparable family.

SINGLE VARIETIES.

Adeline—A lovely and distinct tulip of a satiny rose-crimson, with yellow base.
DeKeyser—A large magnificent scarlet, with bright clear golden space.
Fairy Queen—White, flamed with soft rose, very delicate and showy.
Grand Duc de Russia—Fine, large, and distinct, rosy purple flaked, and striped with carnation and white.
King of the Yellows—Large fine yellow, a beautiful shade.

DOUBE VARIETIES.

Rose Blanche—A very fine and large pure white.
Crown of Gold—Large flower, very double, rich golden color.
Count Leicester—Orange and yellow, beautiful shade.
Raphael—The finest double grown, very large, bluish pink shaded with darker rose.
Velvet Gem—Large dark carmine, an extra fine and beautiful variety.

Price, 8 cents each.

SPECIAL OFFER—For 60 cents I will mail this set of fine new Tulips to any address.

1. BIZARD TULIP.
2. BYBLCEMEN TULIP.
3. PARROT TULIP.

LATE OR MAY FLOWERING SINGLE GARDEN TULIPS.

This group differs from the Early Single Tulips by their taller growth and later bloom. They are brilliant in the extreme for bedding purposes, and are exceedingly useful for a succession of bloom.

Bizarres—Have a yellow ground color, feathered or striped with crimson, purple, or white. Finest mixed, 2 cents each, 3 for 5c., dozen for 20c.

Byblcemens—Have a white ground color, flaked or blotched with blue, lilac violet, purple or black. Finest mixed, 2 cents each, 3 for 5 cents, dozen 20 cents.

PARROT TULIPS.

The majority of Tulips are certainly odd enough, but those that have been given the name of Parrot Tulips are even more fantastic than the others, having curiously shaped flowers with fringed and otherwise laciniated petals, and showing the most unheard of combinations of color, brown, scarlet and orange in stripes and quaint variegations. Finest mixed colors, 2 cents each, 3 for 5 cents, 20 cents per dozen. Per 100, by Express, \$1.50.

Beautiful Mixed Tulips.

RARE TULIPS CONTINUED.

MIXED TULIPS.

We have a large stock of unnamed Tulips for bedding, which we have priced so low as to make a large mass of these showy flowers a matter of trifling expense. They are excellent bulbs, and will bear handsome blooms. Double and Single collections are kept separate. The Mixed Double Tulips are best adapted for planting out in the garden, and will bear forcing as well as the other varieties; and for a succession should be planted in every garden. Several hundred bulbs at the quotations below involve less expense than is usually required to secure a few dozen summer bedding plants, and in the matter of display they are fully as valuable during their season as an equal number of ordinary blooming plants.

Mixed Single Early—Splendid flowers; 2 cents each, or 3 for 5 cents. Per dozen, 20 cents. Per 100, by Mail, \$1.50 paid, \$1.75; by Express, \$1.50.

Splendid Double Mixed Tulips—A fine mixture, all colors. 2 cents each. 20 cents per dozen. Per 100, by Mail, paid, \$1.75; by Express, \$1.50.

RARE TULIPS.

It is with more than usual pleasure that we call special attention to these new early flowering Tulips, both for house and garden culture but more especially for winter blooming in the house. There is in store for those who plant these gems a joyous surprise which you can in no true sense anticipate till you see them in full radiance of their brilliancy.

Oculis Solis—(Sun's Eye; Peacock Tulip). A remarkable flower indeed, attracting a great deal of admiration. Color, intense dazzling scarlet; the many bands of yellow black, purple, and gold have called fourth such exclamations as "Brilliant as the Sun," "Beautiful as the Peacock." 8 cents each.

Cornuta—(Japanese Tulip). Like all things from Japan, this is an oddity. Imagine a flower which when open, measures a foot

across, composed of six petals twisted and curled like a horn, beautifully variegated scarlet and yellow. 8 cents each.

Persian—The Persian Tulip is unlike any other sort, as its flower stem branches and bears three to five flowers on a stem. They are bright yellow in color, and exceedingly pretty. They bloom elegantly in the open ground, but are the largest and finest when grown for winter blooming. 6 cents each.

Gesneriana—This grand species of Tulip should be in every collection. The flower stems are two or three feet high, producing exquisite blossoms of the most intense, dazzling, glossy crimson, with center of deep blue. The flowers are the most durable, and beautiful colors remain clear and distinct a long time. 5 cents each.

Fulgens—(Fiery Tulip)—One of the largest flowering Tulips, often measuring twenty inches in circumference; color of the most brilliant scarlet, with yellow center; very showy. 6 cents each.

Florentina—(Sweet Scented Tulip)—Tall, yellow, and delightfully fragrant Tulip. 6 cents each.

Viridiflora—The Green Tulip)—Most curious and interesting flowers. 8 cents each.

THE HOME FLORIST.

For amateurs. Treats clearly on managing Roses, Violets, Fuchsias, Ivies, Callas, Heliotropes, and two hundred other plants, including Annuals, etc., in the Garden, Window and Conservatory. How to propagate from Cuttings, Seeds, etc., flowers in winter, work for each week, etc., practical, vigorous, original, elegant, illustrated, complete. Authors, editors, and florists commend it. About 300 pages. Price by mail, Cloth Cover, \$1.25.

PAPER WHITE AND DOUBLE ROMAN NARCISSUS.

I desire to call special attention to these two elegant Narcissus, which are so valuable and beautiful, especially on account of their extreme earliness for forcing. These varieties will grow as rapidly in glasses as the Hyacinth, and with less trouble, as it is not necessary to put them in a dark place for weeks. They should be kept as cool as possible however, to induce them to make plenty of roots before the flower spike starts. They are also charming for potting.

Double Roman—The new Double Polyanthus or Roman Narcissus is a great beauty, and particularly well adapted to winter blooming. It is like other Polyanthus in all respects, except the flowers are double as roses. Color white with yellow center, and its fragrance is delicious. Very early and sure to bloom well. 5 cents each.

Paper White—This beautiful pure white sort is several weeks earlier than the ordinary Polyanthus and can be had in bloom in a short time. It is one of the few bulbs which will bloom as early as Christmas. The flowers are star-shaped, very beautiful, and emit a delicate odor. 5 cents each.

NARCISSUS POETICUS.

This is the Poet's Narcissus, also called Pheasant's Eye. Needs no praise; a clump should be in every garden among the shrubbery or in the grass; half a dozen bulbs will make a fine clump that will increase in size and beauty from year to year; needs no protection during the winter, blooms very early, pure white flowers, with miniature saucers, edged with bright crimson, exceedingly beautiful and graceful; also can be readily grown in the house in pots or vases, presenting a charming sight.

Biflorus—Pure white perianth, soft yellow crown, two flowers on each scape. 3 cents each, 20 cents per dozen.

Poeticus—(The Poet's Narcissus)—Flower large, snow white, with beautiful cup suffused with bright red. Early flowering and fragrant. 3 cents; 20 cents per dozen.

JONQUIL SECTION.

Very popular flowers on account of their easy cultivation and delightfully fragrant blooms. They can be easily forced in the house, or planted in the open-ground for early flowering. If planted in the same situation with Anemones they will bloom at the same time and

form a charming contrast. The single are the most desirable. The bulbs being small, six to eight can be put in a six-inch pot.

Double Jonquil—Large double yellow flowers. 5 cents each.
Single Jonquil—Rich yellow, perianth deeply lobed. Very fragrant. 3 cents, 20 cents per dozen.

DOUBLE FLOWERED DAFFODILS.

No collection is complete without the double flowering sorts. While not as attractive as many of the single varieties, they possess a charm peculiarly their own. They are excellent for forcing, and will thrive equally well in the house or open ground.

ALBA PLENA ODORATA—(Poeticus Plenus. Gardenia Daffodil.) Double pure white, very sweet scented. This beautiful variety can not be forced, but millions are grown in the open ground for supplying the cut-flower markets of Europe. 3 cents each.

INCOMPARABLE—(Butter and Eggs)—Orange and yellow, of large size and good shape. 3 cents each.

ORANGE PHENIX—(Eggs and Bacon)—Light citron and orange; an excellent flower for forcing. 6 cents each.

SILVER PHENIX—(Codlins and Cream)—Immense flowers of pale creamy white, very full and showy. 10 cents each.

SINGLE NARCISSUS.

(Eucharis Flowered Daffodils.)—All Yellow Variety.

INCOMPARABILIS—(Great Nonsuch Daffodils.)—Lovely in color and form, of varying shades and sizes, but without exception, very desirable and fragrant. 4 cents each.

2 FINE TRUMPET VARIETIES.

YELLOW TRUMPET—(Vase of Beaten Gold)—A bold and shapely flower. Rich orange-colored trumpet and perianth. Possibly the best of all the Trumpet sorts. 6 cents each.

DOUBLE TRUMPET—(Telamonius Plenus)—This is the grand old "Double" yellow Daffodil, and should be in every garden; fine for massing, also one of the very best for house culture in pots; large double yellow trumpet flowers. 6 cents each.

CROCUS.

THE FIRST FLOWERS OF SPRING.

The Crocus we offer are a great improvement over the older sorts usually sold, being much handsomer in form and color. As is shown in our illustration, a good way to plant Crocus is in groups or in lines at the edge of walks; with a trowel or spade making a slanting opening two inches or so in depth, put in the bulb and press back sod with foot. This is an easy way to plant flowers that will be a sheet of bloom almost before the grass is green. If planted in beds, cover bulbs about two inches. Crocus are also very desirable for the house, where they can be readily bloomed in pots or boxes, requiring no special culture; by planting at intervals a succession of bloom can be had. Crocus are planted much more freely than formerly, and we are glad of it, as few flowers will give so much pleasure and delight for the little care and expense called for.

CROCUS,

THE FINEST MIXED COLORS.

- MIXED WHITE**—Different varieties. Per dozen, 10 cents.
MIXED PURPLE AND BLUE—Different varieties. Per dozen, 10 cents.
MIXED STRIPED—Different varieties. Per dozen, 10 cents.
MIXED YELLOW—Different varieties. Per dozen, 10 cents.
ALL COLORS MIXED—Different varieties. Per dozen, 8 cents.

LARGE NAMED CROCUS.

- ALBION**—Fine Striped, large and good. 4 for 5 cents.
CAROLINE CHISHOLM—The best white. 4 for 5 cents.
DAVID RIZZIO—Magnificent dark purple. 4 for 5 cents.
LORD BYRON—Superb blue. 4 for 5 cents.
SIR WALTER SCOTT—Very distinct, striped. 4 for 5 cents.
QUEEN VICTORIA—A splendid pure white variety. 4 for 5 cents.

SNOWDROPS

Are the first of all flowers to herald the approach of Spring. It can frequently be seen in bloom when the ground is white with snow, as it takes every advantage and hastens to display its graceful snow-white bells before the winter has disappeared. In conjunction with Chionodoxa and Scilla, a matchless effect can be produced. As the bulbs are small, they should be planted liberally in order to obtain immediate results. Banks, grassy slopes, edging, or rock work will suit all of these bulbs. They should not be disturbed often if a fine display is desired.

- DOUBLE SNOWDROP**—(*Galanthus nivalis* fl. pl.)—Flowers perfectly double, pure white, not as graceful as the single. 4 cents each.
SINGLE SNOWDROP—(*Galanthus nivalis*.)—Pure white graceful bells. Early flowering, 3 cents each. 25 cents per dozen.

CHIONODOXA LUCILLIÆ.

GLORY OF THE SNOW.

One of the most lovely hardy flowering spring bulbous plants ever introduced, producing spikes of lovely azure-blue flowers with white centers. Those who know *Scilla Siberica* will need no further description of this beautiful plant when we say the flowers and spikes are more than twice the size of that little gem. Perfectly hardy, need no protection. Our bulbs are strong, being cultivated in the nursery, and are far superior to those collected. 3 cents each. Per dozen, 25 cents.

SCILLA SIBERICA.

This beautiful flower is a worthy companion of the Lily of the Valley. The habit of the plant is neat, and the flowers being a bright sky blue, make it one of the most desirable of our spring bulbs, either for garden or greenhouse. They can be forced at the same time as the Lily of the Valley, whose pure white flowers combine with the bright sky-blue of the *Scilla Siberica*, produce a magnificent effect in bouquets unequalled. They are of easy culture, growing in shade if so desired. They can be planted amongst Narcissus, Tulips, Hyacinths, etc., in the garden, and should be placed two inches apart and two inches deep; for pot culture, two or three bulbs in a four-inch pot, three-fourths of an inch deep. Price, 2 cents each. 18 cents per dozen.

CALOCHORTUS—Butterfly Lilies.

These bulbs are little known or cultivated, as they are not hardy enough to stand our winters in the open ground without protection, but for blooming in pots they are unsurpassed. The flowers are very large, borne on long stems, and are of the most charming butterfly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted (four or five in a 4-in. pot), and treated like Hyacinths or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time.
CALOCHORTUS, FINEST NAMED VARIETIES MIXED—This mixture comprises all the finest varieties. Do not fail to try a dozen. 6 cents each, per dozen, 50 cents.

OXALIS.

This pretty and interesting class of bulbous plants is especially adapted for winter blooming in hanging baskets, pots, or window boxes. The foliage alone is attractive, and when in bloom, with their brilliant and beautiful colors, they always attract attention. Plant five or six bulbs in a six-inch pot. They commence to grow immediately after planting, and need not be set away to form roots. We offer a list of the best varieties, including the new double yellow.

OXALIS HIRTA—A fine variety, flowers deep red. 5 cents each.

OXALIS CERNUA—Very large yellow flowers, in clusters. An extra sort. 4 cents each.

O. VERSICOLOR—Crimson and white. 4 cents each.

O. DEIPPI—Rose purple; very pretty. One of the most desirable bloomers, winter and summer. 4 cents each.

O. ALBA—Strong grower, profuse bloomer; flowers rosy purple, with white eye; fine sort. 4 cents each.

BOWEI—Brilliant rose-colored flowers, produced in great profusion. One of the best. 5 cents each.

OXALIS, ALL COLORS MIXED—A splendid mixture of all colors. The price is so low that at least a few should be included in every order. 3 cents each, 12 for 25 cents.

LILY OF THE VALLEY.

The Lily of the Valley is one of those delicate sweet little flowers that not only easily win our love, but keep it forever. Put four or five, or a half dozen of the pips or bulbs in a pot, and in about four or five weeks they will flower. They will flower in dry moss, and can be handled in almost any way desired. In the spring transfer to the garden. Not ready to ship until the fifteenth of November. Fine pips, 4 cents each, 10 for 25 cents.

RANUNCULUS.

For beauty and grace of form, and brightness of colors, the Ranunculus is unsurpassed. These attractive qualities have made it a prime favorite with all who have successfully cultivated it. The Persian varieties exhibit beautiful shades of color, and are of very graceful form, although they are not as showy as the Turkish, which displays truly oriental splendor of coloring. The Ranunculus requires careful culture, and is worthy of it. The plants should not be exposed to a hot, dry

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OXALIS.

air, nor to a blazing sun. The soil should be rich, and not too dry, and yet well drained. Persian and Turkish, 5 for 10 cents, one dozen, 25 cents.

ANEMONES.

Anemones are not so hardy as the other bulbs we have been describing, but below this latitude are safe. They can be obtained only in the Fall, and should be purchased at that time, but may be held over in a dry, moderately cool place until early Spring, for planting; or if set in the Fall, should be covered with manure or brush. They are so pretty, and the color of their blossoms so rich, that a little trouble to secure them is well repaid. Cover with soil to about their own depth. Single in all colors mixed, 6 for 10 cents, 20 cents per dozen. Double, in all colors mixed, 5 for 10 cents, 25 cents per dozen.

FREESIAS.

This lovely flower is a recent introduction from the Cape of Good Hope. The bulbs seem small in comparison with the foliage and flower spikes; should be planted in a four-inch pot, and covered with a light mulching of moss until growth begins; water freely and give plenty of sunlight and warmth. The flowers are carried on long, slender stems, which bend at a right angle near the end, and from the horizontal parts the flowers are thrown up; when cut and placed in vases of water they will keep perfect for two weeks. They are always sure to succeed and will bloom in any situation. They are invaluable for bouquets, as they are deliciously fragrant. The bulbs increase each year, so that customers who buy a few dozen may soon have many hundred.

REFRACTA ALBA—Pure white, with small yellow blotch on lower petal, each, 3 cents; per dozen 25 cents.

ALLIUM NEAPOLITANUM.

Allium Neapolitanum—Another excellent variety for winter flowering, now extensively forced by florists for cut-flowers, being of pure white with green stamens, borne in large loose umbels. Height, 15 to 18 inches. 3 cents each. Per dozen, 25 cents.

FREESIAS IN POT.

FLOWER SEEDS FOR FALL SOWING.

Suitable for sowing in autumn or winter in house or greenhouse. The quality of the seeds offered is the very best only, and they can be relied upon as strictly fresh and pure. For full description see our Spring Catalogue. Note the very low Price at which these seeds are offered.

ALYSSUM, LITTLE GEM.

ALYSSUM, LITTLE GEM—The plants are very dwarf, and each spreads so as to completely cover a circular space twelve to twenty inches in diameter. They soon become one mass of white, remaining in full bloom from spring to fall—being densely studded with the beautiful miniature spikes of deliciously fragrant flowers. More than four hundred clusters of flowers in full bloom have been counted on a single plant. 5c.

CYCLAMEN—Charming Bulbous rooted plants; easily raised from seed; white and crimson mixed. 15 cents.

CUPHEA, PLATYCENTRA (CIGAR PLANT)—A favorite house plant. 5 cents.

CANDYTUFT, SNOW QUEEN—Handsome, tufted, pure white flowers, making each plant resemble a ball of snow. 5 cents.

CARNATION, MARGUERITE.

This splendid new class of Carnations, or Pinks, is undoubtedly among the most valuable novelties now offered. Sow the seeds in pots or boxes any time during the Autumn, and in midwinter the dwarf and very robust branching plants will be full of brilliant flowers, which are continued in remarkable profusion for a long time. The colors range through

superb shades of deep and light reds, carmine, pink, white, variegations, etc. As will be seen by our illustration, the large flowers are of perfect form; the doubles run over 70 per cent. 8 cents per packet.

CINERARIA.

The Cineraria is one of the brightest and best of house plants, blooming most profusely during the late winter and early spring. When in full flower the plants present a gorgeous sight, being each covered with one mass of bloom of richest colors; crimson, magenta, violet, blue, white and variegated. Seed should be sown from August to October, when they will bloom the first winter; keep the plants in a cool shady place during the summer.

CINERARIA HYBRIDA, LARGE FLOWERING, FINEST MIXED—Flowers measuring two inches across, of rich colors. 10 cents.

CINERARIA.

CALCEOLARIA, Prize Strain.

CALCEOLARIA.

These popular favorites are unsurpassed for pot culture in the greenhouse or conservatory, producing their brilliant flowers in great profusion and variety. The blooms are remarkable for their oddness of shape, for their size, and for richness, diversity, and delicacy of coloring. Seed may be sown either in August or November, in light, rich, well sifted soil, and frequently transplanted. An eight-inch pot will do for the plant when full size for blooming. Tender perennials. Height one foot. This strain is famous for the richness and variety of colors. Packet 10 cents.

FUCHSIAS.

FUCHSIAS, Double and Single, Mixed—It is not generally known that Fuchsias can be raised very easily from seed, and will flower freely the first year in the open ground, while the plants can be taken in the house in the winter, where they will flower still more freely. We offer the very finest double and single Fuchsias, saved from splendid varieties. Per pkt., 15 cents.

THE TRAILING FUCHSIA, (Procumbens).—This species makes one of the prettiest trailing plants imaginable. While the flowers are small, the vines are of graceful habit, with pretty leaves and bright red berries, which make a fine effect hanging over the side of a pot, basket, or vase. The berries are about the size and shape of robin's eggs, of deep crimson red, ornamenting the plant for as long as six months at a time. Pkt. 10 cents.

GLOXINIAS.

GLOXINIA HYBRIDA.

A splendid class of house-blooming bulbous-rooted plants, flowering in great profusion during the summer months. The handsome bell-shaped flowers embrace a great variety of the richest and most beautiful colors; keep bulbs warm and dry during winter.

Large Flowering Hybrids, Mixed
—From a grand collection, comprising superb spotted and blotched. Pkt. 12 cents.

GERANIUMS.

Easily raised from seed, which will frequently reward the cultivator with charming new varieties, fine mixed varieties from our large collection, pkt. 8 cents.

Geranium, Apple Scented—This favorite with sweet-scented leaves can best be grown from seed, pkt. 10 cents.

PRIMULA SINENSIS FIMBRIATA.

FRINGED CHINESE PRIMROSE.

The Chinese Primrose is the most beautiful and satisfactory of all house plants for winter blooming, and is as easily grown as a Geranium. It is never attacked by insects, and will even thrive in a window where there is but little sun, and where few other plants would bloom. Seeds sown from July to November will produce plants that will flower profusely through the following winter. Cover the seeds an eighth of an inch with fine light soil; keep moist but not wet, and they will begin to grow in two or three weeks. They are so easily raised that there is no reason why every flower lover should not have a magnificent display of these brightest and best of all winter flowers in the house. Our seed is saved from the very finest strains of all colors, from pure white, lilac, rose, through many shades of scarlet and carmine, striped and spotted, and the lovely new blue Primula,—all beautifully fringed, while the handsome foliage displays the flowers to the best advantage.

Primula, Choice Mixed—Seeds sown in the fall and spring will bloom profusely during the winter. Fine mixed including beautiful fringed varieties. 8 cents per pkt.

PANSIES.

The best Pansies are obtained from seed sown in the autumn. All of the following at 3 cents per pkt.

- PANSY, Azure Blue**—Very fine, a beautiful shade.
- Bronze Color**—A new and striking color.
- Dark Purple**—Rich dark purple.
- Dark Blue**—Very rich and lasting.
- King of the Blacks**—Almost a coal black, a beauty.
- Light Blue**—Very rich and lasting.
- Mahogany Colored**—A beautiful color.
- Pure Yellow**—Generally true to color.
- Red**—Bright coppery colors, but not strictly red.
- Striped and Mottled**—Very fine and beautiful.
- Violet**—With white border, somewhat resembling the Fancy Geraniums.
- White**—Sometimes slightly marked with purple.
- Yellow Margined**—Beautiful color, margins or belt of yellow.

I will send one packet of each of the above thirteen varieties priced at 3 cents each, for 35 cents.

Pansy, Extra Fine Mixed—All the above 13 varieties mixed. 5 cents.

NEW "SUPERB" PANSIES.

In the Superb Pansies the labor of many years of careful cultivation and constant selection has resulted in an almost endless variety, of charming shades of color, and good circular substance united with extra large size of the flowers. They embrace all the solid and self-colors, delicately shaded flowers; five-spotted on back-grounds of every color; large spotted; edged or bordered flowers of various colors each with a distinct rim of white, yellow or blue; dark and light marbled varieties; flowers with clear, distinct eyes; striped flowers of striking beauty, and vividly-colored fancy varieties, blotched, veined, mottled and margined in combinations that would be thought impossible. 15 cents per pkt.

PANSY—NEW SUPERB.

IMPROVED NEW PANSIES.

The Black Prince—I take pleasure in offering the Black Prince, a distinct new variety, of sterling merit. The flowers are considerably larger in size than King of the Blacks, are of much greater substance, and quite distinct in color. The rich, glossy black has a peculiarly soft, velvety appearance, hitherto unknown. The magnificent large flowers are of fine, circular form, carried upright, well above the foliage. The plants are of compact, bushy habit, and flower so profusely that a bed of the Black Prince makes a sight not equaled. 5 cents.

Giant, or Trimardeau Pansies—These remarkably large pansies, for size of flower and robust growth, eclipse, by all odds, any known strain. The flowers are of immense size and splendid shape, and stands well above the foliage, each flower distinctly marked with three large blotches. With their vigorous habit they get such a start in the spring that the hot summer weather seems to have no effect on them, even when other pansies have almost dwindled away. 5 cents.

Red Riding Hood—This is an entirely new color of the Imperial German strain. The flowers are of good size, fine, circular form and of the most brilliant, solid red color we have ever seen in Pansies. A charming novelty. 5 cents.

Improved Striped—A fine, new class, producing large, perfectly formed flowers of the most brilliant and exquisite tints of coloring, each flower being handsomely striped. The new strain is an improvement on the Belgium or any other striped varieties. 5 cents.

Quadrilateral—Sometimes called the "Rainbow." Upper petals sky blue, edged with violet; lower petals are mostly purple, sometimes on a white, sometimes on a yellow ground, marbled and spotted. Most beautiful in colors. 5 cents.

Snow Queen—Pure white, with only the characteristic yellow dot near the center of flowers; sometimes marked with a faint purple line. 5 cents.

Fire King Pansy—This novelty comes almost absolutely true, scarcely a plant bearing flowers at variance from the type, which is very distinct and striking. The three lower petals each have a large blotch of deep brown-red or magenta margined with yellow, while the upper petals are of a bright reddish-brown, of a really fiery shade warranting the name of Fire King. Per pkt. 5 cents.

Peacock Pansy—A grand fancy flower, petals edged with a thin white line, within which is a space of purplish-crimson, passing into a rich central blotch of deep blue shading to black. The coloring is truly delicious. Per pkt. 5 cents.

STOCKS.

New Largest-flowering Globe Pyramidal Stock—A magnificent race, with immense spikes of perfectly double flowers, the individual blooms frequently measuring from two to two and one-half inches in diameter. The large double flowers are produced in great profusion, the spikes being compactly pyramidal in shape, and the plants of neat habit of growth. No other variety of Stocks can equal the Globe Pyramidal in perfection or in brilliancy of colors. Finest mixed, embracing 20 beautiful colors. 8 cents per pkt.

SMILAX.

We doubt if one of our customers in a hundred has ever seen a string of Smilax in bloom. Though grown principally for its elegant green foliage, so indispensable for floral work, it nevertheless bears flowers by the thousand, which, for rare and graceful beauty and aromatic fragrance, can not be excelled. Smilax requires a nice sub-window and freedom from dust. It grows very quickly from seed. **Extra fine Smilax seeds**.— 5 cents per packet.

Sweet Peas

FOR FALL SOWING.

Sweet Peas can be most successfully grown by sowing the seed in the autumn in rich sandy soil about 6 inches deep. Cover with straw or manure over winter; remove covering about March 20th or April 1st. A customer writes under date of August 12: "I have been this whole season under obligations to you for advising me to plant Sweet Pea seeds last autumn. The seed was planted late in October or early in November in rows with a southerly exposure, they were then well covered with litter protection and finally brush sufficient to prevent the litter from blowing away. In the spring the litter was removed, the plants staked, and by the middle of April they were in bloom and I have had flowers ever since, and at times the display exceeded that of any other collection of Sweet Peas I have ever seen."

Eckford's New Large Flowering Sweet Peas.

All of the following 14 sorts are 5 cents per pkt., 6 pkts. for 25 cents, oz. 25 cents.

Blanche Ferry—Pink and white, dwarf early.
Boreation—Fine deep maroon color.

Cardinal—Bright shining crimson scarlet.
Empress of India—Clear rosy-pink standards and white wings.
Isa Eckford—Creamy white suffused with rosy-pink.
Lottie Eckford—White and blue.
Miss Hunt—Pale carmine, salmon standards, with soft pink wings.
Mrs. Sankey—The purest white, largest size and most perfect form.
Orange Prince—Bright orange, pink, flushed with scarlet.
Primrose—Pale primrose yellow.
Princess of Wales—Shaded and striped mauve, on a white ground.
Queen of England—Pure white, large and fine.
Splendor—Rich bright pinkish rose, shaded with crimson.
The Queen—Rosy pink, shaded with light mauve.
Eckford's Large Flowering—Mixed. Per lb. \$1.60; per ¼ lb. 50 cents; oz. 20 cents.

STANDARD SORTS.

All of the following at 3 cents per pkt.: 6 pkts. for 15 cents.

Adonis—Carmine.
Butterfly—White tinted lilac.
Invincible Scarlet—
Painted Lady—Rose and white.
Princess Beatrice—Rose.
Purple Black—
Queen of the Isles—Striped.
Red Striped—
Vesuvius—Carmine, spotted,
White—Pure white.
Extra Mixed—From above varieties. Per lb. \$1.15; ¼ lb. 35 cts.; oz. 10 cents.

HARDY FLOWERING SEEDS

FOR AUTUMN SOWING.

Many varieties of Flower Seeds, Annuals, as well as Biennials and Perennials, may be sown in the open ground in the Autumn. We give here a list of such as will succeed in this latitude and southward. The plants from autumn-sown seed become much larger and more robust, flowering earlier and more numerous than if sown in the spring.

Adonis Autumnalis—Very pretty scarlet annual. Packet, 3 cents.
Ammobium Alatum—White Everlasting, easily cultivated. Pkt. 3c.
Aquilegia—Fine double mixed. Pkt. 3 cents.
Asperula—Sweet-scented light-blue annual. Pkt. 3 cents.
Brachycome—(Swan River Daisy).—Fine for edgings. Pkt. 3c.
Calandrinia Umbellatum—Perennial for edging, purple flowering. Pkt. 5 cents.
Calendula Meteor—(Annual Pot Marigold).—Very showy. Pkt. 3c.
Calendula, Prince of Orange—Very fine. Pkt. 3 cents.
Calliopsis Drummondii—Showy yellow and brown Annual. Pkt. 3c.
Coreopsis Lanceolata—Large yellow flowers, one of the best for cutting. Pkt. 5 cents.
Campanula Carpatia—Mixed. Pkt. 3 cents.
Campanula—Medium mixed, (Canterbury Bells). Pkt. 3 cents.
Candytuft—Mixed, sweet-scented Annual, for beds and edgings. Pkt. 3 cents.
Centranthus, Macrosiphon—Pretty red annual for rockeries. Pkt. 3 cents.
Chrysanthemum—Mixed annual, should be grown in masses to get the best effect. Pkt. 3 cents.
Clarkia—Mixed, useful for baskets and vases. Pkt. 3 cents.
Collinsia Bicolor—Purple and white, free-flowering annual. Pkt. 3 cents.
Collomia Coccinea—Pretty scarlet and yellow annual. Pkt. 3c.
Convolvulus Minor—Hardy annual, fine for rockeries and hanging baskets. Pkt. 3 cents.
Cornflower—Very showy annual, mixed. Pkt. 3 cents.
Delphinium Formosum—Perennial Larkspur, blue flowers. 5c. pkt.
Delphinium Cardipetalum—Handsome blue annual. 3 cents pkt.
Erysimum Peroffskianum—Orange flowers, showy and free-flowering annual. 3 cents pkt.
Eschscholtzia Californica—Yellow flowers, free-blooming annual, 3 cents pkt.
Euphorbia Variegata—Showy ornamental annual. 3 cents packet.
Flax—(Linum Rumex).—Fine free-flowering annual. 3c. pkt.
For-Get-Not—(Myosotis Alpestris).—perennial blue trailer. 5 cents pkt.
Foxglove—Mixed, showy for backgrounds and among shrubs. 3 cents pkt.
Gaillardia Lorenziana—Desirable perennial for bouquets. 3 cents pkt.
Gaura Lindheimeriana—White and rose annual, easily cultivated. 3 cents pkt.
Gilia—Mixed, free-blooming annuals for beds or rockeries. 3 cents pkt.
Godetia—Mixed, profuse blooming hardy annuals. 3 cts. pkt.
Gypsophila Elegans—White perennial, for bouquets grows in any soil. 3 cents pkt.
Hawkweed Red—Showy annual of free growth. 3 cents pkt.
Helichrysum Bracteatum—(Eternal Flower).—Yellow, prized for winter bouquets. 3 cents pkt.
Hollyhock—Double white, double crimson, double mag-

enta, double rosy-pink, double yellow, each color separate. 5 cents pkt.
Hollyhock—Double mixed, all colors. 5 cents pkt.
Kalfussia Ameloides—Blue annual for edgings. 3c. pkt.
Larkspur, Dwarf Rocket—Free-flowering biennial, rich in color. 3 cents pkt.
Larkspur—Mixed Hybrid Bee, free-flowering perennial. 3 cts. pkt.
Loasa Auriantica—Beautiful annual, curiously formed orange flowers. 3 cents pkt.
Lychnis Haageana, Hybrida—Hardy perennials, for border. 3 cents pkt.
Malope Grandiflora—Mixed colors, very pretty red annual. 3 cents pkt.
Mignonette—Sweet-scented, the well-known "Frenchman's Darling." 3 cents pkt.
Nemophila Insignis—Pretty blue annual for edgings. 3 cts. pkt.
Nierenbergia Frutescens—Perennial, handsome white and lilac flowers. 5 cents pkt.
Obeliscaria Pulcherrima—Showy red and yellow perennial. 3 cents pkt.
Pinks, Chinese Double—A fine mixture of colors. 3c. pkt.
Pinks, Heddwig's—Mixed colors. 3 cents pkt.
Poppy—Double Carnation, showy free-flowering annual. 3 cents pkt.
Poppy, Double Paeony Flowered—Mixed colors. 3 cents pkt.
Poppy, Papaver—Rich scarlet. 3 cents pkt.
Poppy, The Shirley—Splendid colors. 5 cents pkt.
Poppy, The Cardinal—Brilliant scarlet on white ground. 5 cts. pkt.
Primrose, Mixed Annual Evening—Fine for shrubbery and borders. 3 cents pkt.
Platycodon, Grandiflorum—Large blue bell-shaped flowers. 5 cents pkt.
Rocket, Sweet-scented white and purple perennial. 3 cents pkt.
Rose Campion—Free-blooming perennial. 3 cents pkt.
Scabiosa—Mixed colors, (Mourning Bride), showy annual. 3 cents pkt.
Snapdragon—Mixed, one of the finest border perennials. 3 cts. pkt.
Sweet Alyssum—Pretty white trillium annual. 3 cents pkt.
Sweet Peas—See page 11.
SWEET SULTAN—Fragrant blue flowers, fine for borders. 3 cents pkt.
SWEET WILLIAM—Fine hardy perennial, rich colors. 3 cents pkt.
VALERIANA—Mixed, hardy sweet-scented biennials, fine for borders. 3 cents pkt.
VENUS LOOKING GLASS—Pretty blue annual, good for edgings. 3 cents pkt.
VIOLET—Sweet-scented flowers. 5 cents pkt.
VIRGINIAN STOCK—Fine early-flowering annual. 3 cents pkt.
WHITLAVIA GRANDIFLORA—Pretty purple-flowering annual. 3 cents pkt.
XERANTHEMUM—A good purple flowering Everlasting, for winter bouquets. 3 cents pkt.

PLANT DEPARTMENT.

Nothing enhances the appearance of a home so much during the Fall, Winter, and Spring months as growing plants, both foliage and flowering. We have for years made a specialty of preparing plants for this purpose, and our stock this year is larger, more varied, and in finer condition than ever. We call particular attention to our list of **Palms**, and venture to say that for the money expended there is nothing offered which will give more satisfaction to our customers. They are especially grown for window and room culture, and with ordinary care may be kept in perfect condition for years. Our stock of **Roses, Carnations, Primroses, Chrysanthemums**, and other winter blooming plants offered in the succeeding pages is exceptionally fine, and contains only such new sorts and standard varieties as are especially adapted for this purpose. In this connection we would say that the variety of plants which will thrive and bloom during the winter months is comparatively limited, and the lack of success which occasionally discourages amateurs is due more frequently to a poor selection of varieties than mistake in culture. With this point in view we have carefully selected only such sorts as are adapted for this purpose, so that the most inexperienced amateur is perfectly safe in ordering from this catalogue, from the fact that it contains only such plants as are highly ornamental, either in flowers or foliage, during the Fall, Winter and early Spring months. We also offer a range of sizes in nearly everything, thus enabling customers to secure a large plant for immediate effect, or a small one at a low price if desired.

— ASPARAGUS PLUMOSUS.

ASPAGUS PLUMOSUS NANUS.

One of the handsomest of our foliage plants. The leaves are a bright green, are gracefully arched, and are as finely woven as their silken mesh, their lasting qualities when cut are remarkable, retaining their freshness for weeks, hence it ranks as the most valuable plant we have for this purpose, surpassing Maiden Hair Ferns in grace, fineness of texture and richness of color. 25 cents.

BEGONIAS—Flowering Varieties.

This beautiful class of plants is deservedly popular. The more free-flowering varieties are indispensable in every floral establishment their handsome blossoms being valuable for bouquets. They are suitable for pot culture in the window or the outdoor plant-stand, and also for planting in hanging baskets and ferneries. During the greater portion of the year the plants are in the different varieties covered with a profusion of graceful drooping racemes of pink, white, crimson, and bi-colored buds and blossoms that are exceedingly attractive, and having a waxy coral-like appearance. The plants themselves are of neat compact habit, with glossy green leaves in some varieties, and exquisitely cut ones in others.

ARGENTEA GUTTATA—A cross between Olbia and Alba Picta, having the silvery blotches of Alba Picta, and form and beauty of Olbia. The leaves are oblong in shape, of a purplish-bronze color, with silvery markings. The flowers are white. 8 cents.

ALBA PICTA—Long pointed slender leaves, thickly spotted with silvery white. Foliage small and elegant. 6 cents.

COMPTA—A new variety, resembling closely the old Zebrina. Compta is a more compact grower, with long pointed green leaves; a silver tinge along the midrib; underside of leaves and stem pale pink. 6 cents.

DEWDROP—The best flowering begonia ever obtained. Its graceful flowers are produced in profusion during the winter months. It can be planted out in the strong sun in the spring, and will be one mass of bloom the entire summer. It will grow and thrive anywhere, and requires no more care than a geranium. 8 cents each.

DR. NACHEGAL—Flowers a tender rose color, and very odorous; the only fragrant Begonia that we know. It has large deep green leaves, and is a strong, vigorous, free flowering variety, of upright growth; and very pretty. 10 cents.

BEGONIA MANICATA AUREA.

In our entire list we have no plant whose foliage can equal that of this grand Begonia. The shading and distinct marking of the leaves is something wonderful, one part of the leaf will be a deep, velvety green, while another is a light cream shaded with bronze or pink, making a most novel and showy appearance. Its strong, healthy habit of growth, and variegated leaves make it a favorite with every one. The illustration is a correct representation of this lovely Begonia. 20 cents.

MAD. DE LÉSEPS—A new sort, very similar to Argentea Guttata, but with foliage almost double in size, leaves purplish brown with silver markings. 10 cents.

NITIDA ROSEA—A strong growing, profuse blooming variety, producing immense panicles of rose colored flowers. 8 cents.

PAUL BRUANT—A Begonia that grows in fine, bushy tree form, increasing in size and number of leaves very rapidly. The bloom is borne in the greatest abundance on long graceful stems, and is of two forms, a part being very large and of a peculiar rose shade, the smaller forms being rose and white, the petals quite transparent; continues to bloom from November to May, and is a handsome plant at any season of the year. 15 cents each.

PRES. CARNOT—A remarkable strong growing variety of stiff upright habit; foliage large and sometimes in s'yle of B. Rubra, but more than twice as large, upper side deep green, under side purplish red, flowers beautiful coral red in large pendant panicles. A grand flowering variety. Each, 15 cents.

RUBRA—If you only have one Begonia, let it be a Rubra, for it will prove a constant delight. It is so fast-growing that it will in a year or two reach the top of your window, sending up heavy stiff canes an inch in diameter, and rising beside them will grow strong slender branches, gracefully drooping under heavy waxen leaves and pendant panicles of coral-colored flowers as large as a hand. 10 cents.

SEPTIMUM—A strong, upright growing species, with palmate leaves, which are ornamented with large silver spots arranged parallel with the ribs, underside of leaf thickly studded with small sparkles making a handsome specimen. Each 30 cents.

Sceptum—A strong, upright growing species, with palmate leaves, which are ornamented with large silver spots arranged parallel with the ribs, underside of leaf thickly studded with small sparkles making a handsome specimen. Each, 30 cents.

Scempiflorens Gigantea Rosea—This fine new variety attains to a large size, and is a compact mass of glossy, olive-green leaves. It is so free in bloom as to present the appearance of a fine bouquet. The flower is white in the center, shading to a delicate shell-pink, distinctly margined with bright rose, and enlivened with dense clusters of yellow anthers, producing a charming effect. It blooms continually, but is freest in Winter. 18 cents.

Sandersonii—Coral Begonia—One of the best flowering begonias. The flowers are of a scarlet shade of crimson, borne in profusion for months at a time. Leaves slightly edged with scarlet. 6 cents.

Begonia Thurstoni—Is a cross between Metallica and Sanguinea, having the bright red foliage and veinings underneath the leaves, and bright metallic green, shading to red, in the younger growth on top. The flowers are a beautiful deep pink in bud, but when expanded become a beautiful shell pink. A charming variety. 10 cents.

Vernon—The best ever-blooming winter-blooming Begonia. Flowers pink with yellow centre. 8 cents.

Wettsteini—New Red Coral Begonia—A grand new Begonia that will rival in popularity the well-known favorite "Rubra." The flowers resemble Rubra, and are just as freely produced, but the foliage is entirely distinct. The leaves are oblong, of a deep green color, shaded with crimson. The young foliage is particularly beautiful. Flowers deep coral-red, formed in pendant panicles. 15 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER—For only 50 cents we send, postpaid, 10 fine Begonias of our selection from the above list, all different, and each labeled.

The Begonia Rex is the king of foliage plants, far outshowing all others. It seems to feed on the rich metals of the soil, and to spread their lustrous tints over its leaves, which thus become an illuminated map of the mineral kingdom. On this map it is easy to pick out the country of gold, of silver, of copper and bronze, of malachite and chrysolite. Give them a soil composed of rich loam, woods earth, and sharp sand. They require a warm, moist atmosphere and a shady situation suitable for warden cases. Do not allow the sun to strike the leaves while wet, and do not overwater.

We do not have room to name the various sorts of Rex Begonias, but we have the newest and best sorts, at the very low price of 15 cents each, or four choice sorts of our selection for 50 cents.

TYPE OF REX BEGONIA.

CROWN OF THORNS. From the "HILLS OF JUDEA."

On the wild rocky hills of Judea and in the immediate neighborhood of Jerusalem this emblematic plant is found, and from there our original stock was secured. It is a peculiar plant, thorny, with a few bright green leaves and an abundance of light rose blossoms, of eas-

iest possible culture, and can be trained to assume any shape, as is shown in this cut. "The Crown of Thorns," worn by our Saviour, was made out of this plant, and the thorny branches were frequently used for the chastisement of offenders. Indeed some sacred historians assert that the drink given to our Saviour before his death was made from the juice of this plant. Price; first size, 25 cts.; second size, 50 cents.

SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

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A beautiful plant, splendidly adapted for the decoration of drawing rooms and halls, as it stands drought and dust with impunity, and requires scarcely any water. The leaves, as shown in cut, grow to a length of three to four feet, and are beautifully striped cross-wise, with broad, white variegations on a dark green ground. It is a rare and beautiful plant which should be abundantly grown for positions out of the reach of sunlight, where other plants will not thrive. When you consider that it can be placed in any position in any room and do well, its great usefulness is at once apparent. It has a singular beauty for decorative purposes, which other plants do not possess, and is useful both winter and summer. For vases and baskets it is a fine centerpiece, and grows splendidly out of doors during summer. Fine plants, 10 cents each.

CARNATIONS.

No plant is more deservedly popular after the rose than the Carnation. It possesses the attractive quality of fragrance, and fragrance of a most delightful odor. Every window garden should contain at least a few of them. They bloom freely for a long time if given a cool but sunny position. When subjected to a considerable heat, their stems grow long and slender, bearing a few flowers or, none. The spicy handsome double flowers are enduring, and appear in liberal quantities, with the culture recommended above. Our Carnations are all strong field-grown plants, established in pot, and have been especially prepared for winter flowering, and will give a great quantity of bloom.

The following are all large plants grown in the open ground during the summer and then lifted and potted, each plant will give 25 or more flowers during the course of the winter, and in the early spring can be planted out in the ground where they will continue to bloom until severe frost.

Price; 12 cents each; for 50 cents, we will send 5 choice sorts of our selection.

Daybreak—Very large, perfectly double flowers of the most delicate shade of pink.

Aglaterre—A very fine dark crimson variety.

Fred Creighton—This variety has been greatly admired wherever it has been seen for its desirable color, being a beautiful, delicate shade of pink. Flowers large size and very freely produced.

Grace Wilder—One of the most beautiful varieties grown; soft carmine pink; very robust and floriferous.

Lizzie McGowan—A new variety that is considered one of the best white Carnations introduced within the last few years. Flowers large and produced in great profusion.

Mrs. R. Hitt—Rich carmine, with long, stiff stems, flowers large, finely formed, fragrant, and very handsome.

Portia—A new and valuable addition to the list of Carnations. Flowers of a brilliant scarlet, and remarkably sweet-scented; on this account the flowers are always in great demand. Plant a strong grower of bushy habit.

President DeGraw—The flowers are very double and handsome, with fringed petals, pure white and delightful fragrance, a most abundant bloomer, for either winter or summer.

Sunrise—A new and exquisite variety, color of the flower orange, flaked and broadly striped with vermillion, very bright and attractive, the color being a rich pomegranate shade, equal parts of rich orange and vermillion.

Silver Spray—This we consider, taking all its characteristics into consideration, the finest white, and the purest white Carnation we know of. Of strong, robust habit, dwarf compact growth, a very profuse bloomer, flowers produced on long stems, very large and well formed, never bursting, beautifully fringed, and of a pure white color.

Tidal Wave, the "King of Pinks"—We believe this to be

CARNATIONS IN POT.

the most valuable Carnation ever offered of its color. It is a strong, healthy grower, producing flowers more freely than any colored Carnation we know of. The flower is a bright pink-shaded salmon when first opening, but growing brighter when fully expanded, giving us a new shade in carnations, and one that never fails to please. The flowers are long stemmed, exceedingly fragrant.

PELARGONIUMS

Or Lady Washington Geraniums.

These are more commonly known as Lady Washington Geraniums. The flowers have deep blotches on the upper petals and bright spots on the lower ones. When in bloom during the months of May and June they are very beautiful and ornamental, either as pot plants or in the garden. Although their time of blooming is short, their great beauty while in flower makes them very desirable. We offer a number of the newest varieties. Their beautiful veins and markings are so hard to describe we can only refer you to the plants to give you an idea of them.

NEW EVER-BLOOMING PELARGONIUM.

FRED DORNER.

It is a perpetual-blooming variety, usually commencing to bloom in December or January, and continuing throughout the Spring and Summer. The throat and edges of the petals are pure white, each

shaded towards the center with rich carmine pink, with a glowing crimson blotch on each. 20 cents.

Five Beautiful New Varieties of PELARGONIUMS.

Mme. Thibaut—The Queen of Pelargoniums; rosy pink, double; beautifully ruffled edges. A free, easy grower, and very free in bloom. 30 cents.

Mrs. Robert Sandiford—Flowers of the largest size, well doubled, beautifully ruffled on edges of petals, pure, glistening snow white; wonderful lasting qualities when cut. 30 cents.

Capt. Ralke—Three inches in diameter, six petals with fluted edges; soft crimson-scarlet, with feathering of crimson, like an Azalea; one of the most beautiful in the family. 30 cents.

Dr. Andry—Very fine double red, of soft shade; flower of fine size and form. 30 cents.

Kingston Beauty—Single—The great English market variety. Extremely free in bloom, and of habit. 30 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER—For \$1.25 I will send the six Pelargoniums. A rare bargain.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

CHRYSANTHEMUM IN POT.

Chrysanthemums are now, and deservedly, the most fashionable of all autumn flowers. Their easy culture and freedom from insects and disease, commend them to the most inexperienced cultivators, while the varied and gorgeous colors and fantastic shapes of many of the varieties make them the fashionable flower of autumn. In nearly all the large cities, the "Annual Fall Chrysanthemum Shows" are among the events of the season, and the fine specimens exhibited by amateur growers show how strong a hold on the popular favor the Chrysanthemum has taken. The improvement in varieties in the past few years has been wonderful, and our collection is rich in the finest of imported and American raised varieties. In the Chrysanthemum, as in all other classes of plants of which we make a specialty, we only offer the very finest sorts, discarding all that are inferior.

Price for large plants in three inch pots, 10 cents each; nice plants from two inch pots, 5 cents each. Try some of these Chrysanthemums and you will be pleased.

Amber Queen—Soft amber with deep shadings; of exquisite form and very full. Easy of cultivation.

Anna Woods—Bright rosy magenta, petals broad and thick, incurving center; perfectly double.

A. J. Ewing—Creamy white, heavily penciled in carmine pink; petals broad and flat, perfectly double.

August Swanson—Incurved, red within, reverse old gold.

Autumn Queen—Large incurved globular flower, light bronze.

Beacon—Large open white flower of immense size with broad petals, color purest white.

Christmas Eve—Purest white, petals curved and twisted; late.

Col. W. B. Smith—An immense double high built flower, petals broad forming a solid mass of bright golden bronze.

Domination—Creamy white; extra large; early.

Dr. H. D. Hull—Color light cameo pink, petals very long and broad with irregular and graceful arrangement.

E. G. Hill—Bright golden yellow; full and double.

Eda Prass—Reflexed globular flower, delicate salmon. Changing to white.

E. Audiger—Crimson-purple, early and good.

Emily Dörner—Petals incurved rich orange yellow, touched with crimson. Sturdy growth.

Elmer D. Smith—One of the best. Flowers rich cardinal red of enormous size.

Ed. Hatch—Flowers of immense size, almost spherical; color soft lemon suffused with pink.

F. Bergman—A grand new Chinese variety of dwarf habit, very full in growth, with large dark green foliage. Flowers are large and globular with reflexed petals. Color pure white, center shaded with light yellow. Especially valuable because it is the earliest of all the large flowering varieties.

Frank Thompson—White shaded with pearl-pink; strong grower with very large flowers.

Good Gracious—An immense flower of a delicate peach-blow pink; petals incurved and twisted overlapping each other irregularly and resembling talons.

Golden Wedding—Flower of largest sizes; high in the center,

incurved, white outer petals are somewhat reflexed. It is a bold deep yellow flower of uncommon merit.

Geo. R. Gause—A bright bronze or terra-cotta; size immense.

Geo. W. Childs—Flowers reflexed; color deep, rich velvety crimson with no shade of brown or chestnut. The best early red variety.

Grandiflorum—One of the finest yellows.

Gold—A fine lemon yellow, petals slightly incurved; large size.

Gloriosum—Clear lemon-yellow, very broad incurved petals, resembling a ball of silk ribbon.

H. E. Widener—Bright yellow without shadings. One of the best yellows.

Harry Baisley—Beautiful pearl-pink shading to a mermet pink. Flowers double semi-globular, with erect petals.

Ivory—One of the best whites, being of sturdy dwarf growth, freely producing incurved blooms of the purest white.

Joey Hill—Color deep cardinal red of beautiful shade, faced with old gold, outer petals flat.

JOS. H. WHITE—A large white variety, with upright Dahlia like petals.

JESSICA—The earliest white grown. Flowers average 6 inches in diameter. Away a head of anything yet produced.

J. H. VAUGHAN—Rich plum crimson; of good size and good grower.

JENNIE WILLIAMS—Creamy white with yellow shadings, extremely double. Late.

KIOTO—Deep yellow with peculiar waxy lustre; petals incurved and twisted; free bloomer.

KATE BROWN—Early white, good for cutting.

LIZZIE CARTLEDGE—Bright rose, reverse silvery white.

L. CANNING—Pure white flowers, very large and flat, good for all purposes.

Louis Boehmer—Ostrich Plume—Petals silvery pink, deep rose on inside. A good grower and profuse bloomer.

M. Boyer—Pink shading to white, of good form and sturdy growth.

Miss Lydia Hopkins—Color white irregularly suffused with bright pink; no two flowers marked just alike.

Marvel—White with maroon center, fine.

Mary Jeffords—A large ball of fine amber color; a splendid grower.

Matie Bruce—A fine pink shaded mauve. Petals reflexed; of good size and growth.

Maud Dean—Very large; petals broad and incurved; color pink almost rose, a very rare shade.

Miles A. Wheeler—Flowers large, the ground color a beautiful light yellow with outer petals finely striped pink.

Minnie Wanamaker—White of the largest size; a variety in great demand.

Mutual Friend—Purest white, deep reflexed flower; great keeper.

Marie Louise—Beautiful recurving white with interlacing petals forming a plummy globe.

Mrs. E. D. Adams—This is one of the best and most distinct whites, flowers are large (Specimens have been measured 18 inches from tip to tip of petals) with long reflexed petals of medium width, the outer ones swirled. Makes a splendid bush plant.

Mrs. C. D. Avery—Color bright yellow, free flowering.

Mrs. Henry Graves—Incurved peach-blow pink; large.

Mrs. J. G. Whildin—A handsome light yellow variety of splendid size and form.

Mrs. E. G. Hill—Extra early of large size and fine form. Color pleasing shade of delicate lavender pink free in growth with good stem and foliage.

Mrs. A. C. Burpee—Deep yellow, striped with bronze. Outer petals drooping while inner ones incurve and whorl toward center. Unique.

Mrs. Richard Elliott—Color rich yellow, inner petals incurving, outer reflexed. Very fine.

Mrs. J. W. Crouch—The nearest approach to a self purple yet seen. Very large.

Mrs. Robt. Craig—One of the finest whites.

Mrs. L. D. Ward—Flowers large of beautiful shade of buff, shaded pink at tips of petals.

Mrs. M. W. Redfield—A perfect ball of peach-pink and dwarf in growth as Ivory.

Mrs. Maria Simpson—A perfect incurving Japanese of the largest size, fine chrome yellow.

Mrs. E. W. Clark—Very large purple, late.

Mrs. J. N. Gerard—Beautiful peach pink, of large size, early.

Mrs. Jerome Jones—Pure white, incurved; high rounded flower. Fine.

Mrs. Harry May—Large and double; color old gold sometimes veined with red.

Nivens—A grand snow white variety. Center irregularly incurving with outer petals, reflexing nearly to stem. A magnificent variety which is indispensable to every collection.

Potter Palmer—Large pure white, good style of growth; fine late variety.

Puritan—Large early white, should be in every collection.

Pres. W. R. Smith—A pure self pink; very heavy in substance, perfectly double, a splendid keeper and especially fine for cutting.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS—Continued.

Roslyn—Rose-pink, petals thick and heavy, immense sized flowers.

Shasta—A perfect shaped flower of the Japanese incurved type; color white.

Sarah Hill—Bright, golden yellow, very large and full, broad petals.

The Queen—A grand double white, of fine form, incurving and full.

Tuxedo—Amber bronze, of a very bright color; petals, straight, forming a half-globe, when fully open.

Violet Rose—Violet rose color, large flower and fine color.

Vivian Morel—Extra large flowers; petals long and loosely arranged; a beautiful shade of light pink.

V. H. Hallock—Delicate pink of a very pleasing shade; large flowers.

Waban—Fine shade of pink; superb flower for cutting or exhibition.

W. G. Newitt—Pure white, with long, drooping petals from the outer rows; one of the finest whites.

W. H. Lincoln—Immense pure double yellow flowers.

W. N. Rudd—Pale lavender pink; petals long and notched at the ends.

13 Fine Prize-Winning Chrysanthemums for only 50 Cts.

3 Collections Mailed Free for only \$1.25. Get up a Club of Six and have One Free.

There is no class of plants that is attracting more attention at present than the Chrysanthemums. Every city, town, and village must have its show of this flower. The novel and brilliant flowers of the new varieties have been a revelation to the public wherever they have been exhibited. Among the colors are soft, rich yellow chokes and maroons, pearly white and chestnut browns, with some of them fringed, some of them whorled, curved, twisted, quilled and anemone centered.

FERNS.

For pure beauty of foliage nothing can equal the Ferns, and no collection of plants should be without a few representatives of this order. From the dwarf species a few inches in height to the lofty Tree Fern, with a trunk 12 to 15 feet high, and with broad fronds extending nearly the same distance horizontally, they are

NEPHROLEPIS EXALTATA.

Adiantum Bellum—A very handsome species, with tufted fronds about four inches long. 20 cents.

Adiantum Cuneatum—The popular Maiden Hair Fern, very beautiful and graceful. 20 cents.

Davallia Stricta—One of the finest Ferns in cultivation, whether for growing as a decorative plant in the room or planting out. The fronds are of a strong texture, and of a beautiful shade of green. 20 cents.

Dicksonia Antartica—An elegant and well-known Tree Fern, from the South Pacific. 25 cents.

Sword Fern (*Nephrolepis Exaltata*)—In well-grown specimens the fronds attain a length of six or seven feet, but only one to three inches wide, and, like plumes, arching over in every direction in a most graceful manner. This beautiful Fern is excellent for outside planting in shady borders. It is a very fine plant for hanging-pots or baskets on the piazza in summer, and conservatory or window in winter. Our cut conveys but a very poor idea of its gracefulness and beauty. Price, 15 cents.

Pteris Argyrea (Silver Fern)—A very showy, strong-growing Fern, with variegated foliage, fronds large, light green, with a broad band of silvery white down the center of each very distinct. 20 cents.

Pteris Tremula, or Shaking Fern—One of the finest Ferns for house decoration, growing very rapidly, and throwing up large, handsome fronds. It makes magnificent specimens. Easily grown and very popular. 20 cents.

Pteris Palmata—Broad, palm-shaped fronds; a very distinct and handsome species. 20 cents.

Pteris Serrulata—A valuable species for cutting. It is of quick growth, and the fronds are indispensable for cut-flower work. 20 cents.

Pteris Serrulata Cristata—An elegant form of the preceding, in which the apex of each pinna is beautifully crested. 20 cents.

CALLAS.

Black Calla—(*Arum Sanctum*).—A magnificent and remarkable variety from the Holy Land. The plant produces one large flower the shape of a Calla, but from fourteen to eighteen inches long and four inches broad, and of a rich dark purple color and green underneath, somewhat wavy at the borders and curled at the smaller end. The spathe rising from the center of the flower is about ten inches long, velvet-like and quite black. It is raised on a slender but vigorous stalk of brown-red shading to green at the upper end. The leaves are large and very wavy, of a rich green color, veined light green, and resemble exactly those of the Calla Ethiopica. The whole plant makes a most stately and elegant appearance. Dry bulbs as collected, 25 cents each; \$2.50 per dozen. Cultivated and selected bulbs, 50 cents each.

White Calla or Lily of the Nile—This old favorite is too well known to require any description. We offer dry roots, as they are superior for forcing and winter flowering purposes; they come into bloom quickly and require less room—making less foliage. Extra large dormant roots, 25 cents each. First Size 15 cents each.

Spotted Leaf Calla—(*Richardia Alba Maculata*).—This plant is always ornamental, even when not in flower, the dark green leaves being beautifully spotted with white. In other respects the plant is the same as the old favorite white Calla, excepting being of smaller habit. In addition to its usefulness as a pot plant it makes a fine thing for planting in the garden in the summer, being very effective. 15 cents each.

Yellow Calla—(*Richardia Fastata*).—This is identical in all respects to the well-known white Calla, excepting that the flowers are of light yellow. \$1.50 each.

Little Gem Calla Lily—This little pigmy rarely exceeds twelve inches in height and blooms most abundantly. The flowers are not more than half the size of the common variety, and therefore can be used with telling effect in bouquets. It is in every way superior as a house plant to the larger growing variety. 30 cents each.

THE SET OF FIVE CALLAS, \$2.00.

HYDRANGEA.

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Of the many varieties of plants that we grow, there is none that is of easier culture, or that will stand more neglect, and is at the same time more attractive than the Hydrangea. Can you name anything prettier than a well-grown specimen in a tub on the front-porch? If you wish to possess one of the most showy and attractive things in the way of flowering plants in your neighborhood, plant a tub with three or four plants in it, set it on your front porch and our word for it, your neighbors will all wish for a tub of Hydrangeas when they see yours in bloom. Price, 10 cents each; three for 25 cents.

Hardy Hydrangea.

H. PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA.

This plant is now the most popular summer flowering shrub, and is a wonderful plant when grown properly. It wants all the sunshine possible to give it, and should be planted in rich soil and well cared for. It is one of those shrubs that require pruning after the leaves fall in autumn and before it commences to grow in the spring, cutting back to plump, well-ripened eyes. With such treatment it is then always very handsome. Its immense panicles of flowers of creamy-white shading to blush and pink, last for weeks in perfection. Flowering as it does during August and September, it is one of the most desirable shrubs, and forms a magnificent object on the lawn. Price, nice plants, by mail, 10 cents; larger plants, 25 cents.

Hardy Climbing Vines.

AMPELOPSIS VEITCHII (Sometimes called "Boston Ivy" and "Japan Ivy.")

No picture can portray the beauty of this grand climbing plant. In the summer the foliage is a rich shade of green, but in the fall it assumes the most gorgeous tints of scarlet, crimson and orange, so dazzling as to be seen a great distance.

Good plants, 10 cts.

Cyclamen.

Not only are the flowers of striking beauty, but the foliage is also highly ornamental, being handsomely marked with various shades of green, gray, and white. The sorts offered here are considered hardy, but it would seem wasteful to plant them out, when their extreme beauty can be employed indoors during summer and winter. They begin to bloom as soon as planted and then produce their fine foliage in abundance. The bulbs are excellent keepers, remaining solid and sound for months, even when not planted.

Cyclamen Europæum—Hardy in the garden if planted four inches deep. Rosy-pink flowers in autumn; beautiful foliage. 15 cents.

Cyclamen Neapolitanum—Hardy and charming species; leaves finely variegated, flowers white and rose with purple throat; blooms in September or October. 15 cts. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For only 25 cents I will mail one each of the above sorts of Cyclamen.

Olea Fragrans (Sweet Olive)—One of the most desirable flowering shrubs of Southern gardens, and also a favorite house plant in the North. Has deep green foliage similar to the Camellia. The white flowers, although small, are produced in great profusion and emit the most pleasing fragrance. It has been well said that each individual bloom has more sweetness than the most fragrant lily. The blooming period begins in the fall and lasts for several months. It is of easy culture, and especially desirable as a window plant. Nice plants, six inches in height, 30 cents each; larger plants, twelve to fifteen inches in height, 60 cents.

HARDY CYCLAMENS.

that are now just ready for winter flowering. In the house keep the plants as cool as possible, and give plenty of air. Sprinkle the leaves frequently, and keep them as free from dust as possible. All classes of Geraniums are adapted to house culture, double, single, bronze, scented, etc. The Ivy-leaved varieties are drooping, and especially adapted to baskets.

DOUBLE GERANIUMS.

PRICE, 5 CENTS EACH, EXCEPT WHERE NOTED.

Alfred Tennyson—Very large trusses, composed of large flowers, semi-double. Color, clear orange marked with heliotrope. 10 cents.

Centaure—Color, the richest deep pink, shading near base of petals to light pink; the base of upper petals, creamy white.

Dr. Jacoby—Enormous trusses of a clear mauve salmon.

Ella Giddings—Large flowers of a rich, dark scarlet.

Herve de Bornier—Large trusses of double flowers, white, delicately tinted.

La Favorite—One of the finest double white. Florets pure white and large; stands the sun well.

Le Countable—Large, full double flowers of a beautiful, bright rose color. An extra fine variety.

M. Press—Enormous trusses of large, well-formed flowers; rich, rosy-salmon shaded with carmine and white.

M. de Fortanier—Double, very large, round florets; rosy cerise and capucine red.

Mad. Chantrier—A fine winter bloomer; enormous trusses, rosy scarlet and solferino with white reverse. 10 cents.

Sully Prudhomme—Florets, very double in large trusses; bright carmine in color.

Sacher Masoch—Very large trusses of large double florets; color, currant red.

S. A. Nutt—Dark crimson; florets of perfect form and large.

Sir Trevor Lawrence—Enormous trusses of bright, rosy-pink flowers, beautiful foliage.

Wm. Kelway—Very large trusses; double fiery scarlet

SINGLE GERANIUMS.

Price, 5 Cents, except where noted.

Alphonse Daudet—Color reddish salmon, darker centre. Large trusses.

Brilliant—A grand scarlet variety with large pips and trusses of the finest shape.

Compte de Blacas—Large florets and trusses; center brilliant orange salmon with brighter border; white eye.

Chaplin—Large floret, semi-double, of brilliant red, shading to white center.

Christopher Columbus—This geranium is a perfect marvel; it is very compact and dwarf; the flowers are bright cinnabar-red orange color, very distinct.

Dr. Clenet—Florets large, round and of a bright capucine scarlet. Large trusses.

F. Becker—Color glowing peach pink, shading to carmine near the center, and enclosing white eye.

Lowell—Soft scarlet pink of beautiful shade; large trusses. Fine in-doors or out.

La Lorraine—A grand variety. Large trusses; color very tender silvery flesh with lavender shadings.

Marguerite de Layres—A grand single white; florets extra large and of the purest white.

Mrs. J. M. Gaar—Dwarf, compact habit, and in freedom of bloom is superior to all whites and equal to best scarlet heddars.

Madonna—Very softest shade of pale pink; a most delicately beautiful color and striking variety.

Princess Marguerite—A very large truss of pure white, A grand grower and free bloomer,

Rev. H. Harries—Soft rosy red, producing freely florets and pips of gigantic size. 10 cents.

Souvenir de Mirande—New peach-blossom Geranium. The greatest novelty in new Geraniums that has appeared for a number of years is undoubtedly Souvenir de Mirande. It is entirely distinct from any other variety known, and is quite different from the usual marked varieties that have from time to time made their appearance. It has round florets; upper petals cream-white, with a distinct rosy pink border; lower petals salmon-rose, streaked with puce white—a most novel coloring; extremely free-flowering, and produces fine trusses of its magnificent blooms. Only 5 cents for this choice new Geranium.

Sam Sloan—Fine velvety crimson; carrying quantities of immense trusses.

Signor Crispi—Immense florets, forming large trusses of the most delicately beautiful pink, with white eye.

S. G. Cobb—Two upper petals are white one-half the distance from center, the other half is bright pink. The other three petals are bright pink dotted with many points of bright red. 10 cents.

St. Peters—One of the largest single Geraniums; color bright, glowing salmon, bordered with white and veined salmon.

Scarlet Cloth—Splendid rich shade of scarlet. Extra large floret and truss.

Van Dael—Enormous trusses; florets large; center bright, silvery rose, bordered white.

W. A. Chalfant—Dazzling scarlet; florets circular and slightly cupped, forming a magnificent truss.

Aurora Borealis—Bright brilliant red. Large flowers. Very effective.

Brunanti—The giant among Geraniums. Color most pleasing shade of vermilion red. Trusses exceptionally large, spherical, and flowers absolutely perfect in shape, contour and make-up. One of the best for pot culture and bedding.

Blanche Moulas—A grand bedding and potting variety. Flowers large; color salmon, beautifully bordered with white.

Barbiset—Flowers very large. Color fresh, bright rose, maculated with white on upper petals.

Beauty Poitevine—Very large double flowers in immense trusses. Color brilliant salmon.

Francois Arrago—A charming variety and free bloomer. Color salmon pink, shading to salmon in center.

Glorie Poitevine—Extra large florets and trusses. Color orange vermillion, white center.

Le Cid—Rosy carmine, shading to scarlet—a charming shade.

Leviathan—Enormous flowers; color bright orange red; reverse of petals silvery. Semi-double; very fine.

M. Emil Barr—Large flowers, borne in immense trusses; color vermillion red. Very attractive and showy.

Mad. de la Roque—Enormous round flowers in large trusses. Color a beautiful salmon, with orange shaded center.

Mons. Ponsignon—Color bright aurora rose, shaded salmon, with white eye. Large trusses.

Mrs. E. G. Hill—Single. Floret 2x2½ inches. Center of each petal soft, light salmon, bordered with rosy salmon and veined deep rose.

Protee—An exquisite variety. Flowers very large; color silvery lilac-white, changing to silvery pink.

BRUANT'S SUN-PROOF GERANIUMS.

The hot southern sun is too severe for many of the varieties of Geraniums that are beautiful in our northern and western cities, and the frequent drouths bar out many more, but the Bruantii Geraniums endure sun and drouth, and upon the return of cooler days and heavy dews, they grow and bloom as if there had never been any weather of any but their choosing. It matters not what the temperature, the Bruantii are always growing, always green, and crowned with flowers from May until November. Perhaps in no other class of plants has the march of improvement advanced so rapidly. New colors, new styles, profuse blooming sorts, all these have combined to make the Bruantii Geraniums the most popular plant for bedding. Price, 7 cents each.

GERANIUMS WITH VARIEGATED FOLIAGE.

These very beautiful Geraniums should be grown more generally. Nothing can be more beautiful than their foliage during the winter, in the parlor or conservatory, and strong plants succeed well outdoors during summer.

Happy Thought—A tricolor Geranium, with very dark-green foliage, having a light creamy, almost white center, with a dark band about the light zone. Flowers bright scarlet. 5 cents.

Mountain of Snow—The finest of this class, a vigorous grower, an abundant bloomer, and for ribbon lines or massing is one of the best. The center of the leaf is bright green, the outer margin broadly marked with silvery white. One of the whitest leaved sorts. Flowers bright scarlet. 5 cents.

Mrs. Pollock—A magnificent variety. The green-leaf disc overlaid by a beautiful bronze-red zone, belted with bright crimson and outwardly margined with golden yellow. Very fine for the parlor or conservatory during the winter and spring. 10 cents.

King of Bronzes—Golden-bronze type. Splendid dark zone on a yellow ground. Scarlet flowers. 6 cents.

Sweet-Scented Geraniums.

This class of Geraniums is grown exclusively for the fragrance of their foliage, as the flower of most varieties is of little importance. They are a treasure for the making of bouquets, and as a background for button-hole bouquets they are indispensable. The leaves of some varieties are finely cut. We have all usually found in this class. Price, 5 cents each.

GERANIUM MOUNTAIN OF SNOW.

TEA : ROSES.

∞ EVER-BLOOMING ∞

TEA ROSES are celebrated the world over for their delicious fragrance and the exquisite forms and rich, charming tints of their flowers. They form the largest and most popular section of the Ever-Blooming Roses, producing an endless succession of flowers in a favorable climate, and even at the North blooming from the time they are planted, until stopped by freezing weather. Teas should be planted in a rich, warm soil, where they will be kept constantly growing, for they bloom as they grow. Where they continue to grow year after year, without being checked by hard freezes, they form immense masses of foliage, covered with flowers of the largest size, and produced in the greatest abundance. Price 5 cents each, except where noted.

Adam—Color, salmon rose, very double and full, a free bloomer, with a splendid tea scent.

Anna Ollivier—Color, buff, shaded with rose. A superb rose, very large.

Bon Silene—Color, deep salmon rose, illuminated with carmine, noted for the great size and beauty of its buds.

Berthe Clavel—Color, creamy white, with rose center, reverse of petals striped violet and light rose.

Crown Princess Victoria—A fine lemon-colored Souvenir de Malmaison. Excellent in every respect. 15 cents.

Cornelia Cook—One of the very finest and fullest of all the outdoor white roses.

Capitaine le Fort—Rosy purple, reverse china rose, handsome, long buds on stiff stems, nicely formed.

Comtesse Eva de Starhemberg—Color, creamy yellow, shading toward the center to ochre, edges of petals flushed with rose, beautiful long buds. 10 cents.

Catherine Mermet—Color, clear shining pink, with delicately shaded amber and fawn center, large globular flowers of exquisite perfume, valued highly for its elegant buds. A strong, healthy grower and good bloomer, suitable for outdoor planting, and one of the leading forcing varieties. This rose should be included in every collection.

Dr. Grill—Coppery yellow, with rosy reflex. Very brilliant. A free bloomer.

Duchess de Brabant—Soft, rosy pink, petals edged with silver, heavy shadings of amber and salmon. Magnificent buds.

Etoile de Lyon—One of the finest of yellow roses, also one of the best outdoor bedders. As large as M. Niel, and of deep chrome yellow color.

Ernest Metz—Rosy carmine, with the color heightened in the center, flowers very large when open, long, pointed buds. 10 cents.

Edmond Sablayrolles—Color, fine purplish red, shading to rich peachy pink, deliciously perfumed.

Golden Gate—Rich creamy white, tinged with fine golden yellow. The petals are broad and exquisitely tinted and bordered with clear rose. 10 cents.

J. B. Varrone—Color, soft china rose, changing to bright deep carmine, evenly shaded, long pointed, and beautiful buds.

Lady Zoe Brongham—Color, bright fawny yellow, large and full flowers of fine shape. A very free bloomer and splendid bedding variety. 10 cents.

Lettie Coles—One of the loveliest of the many fine pink roses, cupped in form. Very bright. 10 cents.

Mme. Cusin—Color, violet rose, tinged with yellow. A very pretty rose, destined to become very popular. 10 cents.

Mme. de Watteville—A beautiful creamy yellow, richly colored with rosy blush, petals large and widely bordered with bright crimson.

Mme. Bravy—Flowers large and round, outside of buds is creamy, with a most charming blush tinge to the center.

Mme. Margottin—Color, citron yellow, sometimes with coppery center, large, full and very double.

Mme. Joseph Schwartz—Color, white, beautifully flushed with pink. A most useful variety for pot culture.

Mme. Philippe Kuntz—Color, cherry red, passing to soft salmon and flush, medium to large-sized flowers, finely formed, very full and double, deliciously perfumed.

Mme. Pierre Guillot—A delicate shade of peach, yellow at base, gradually changing to a bright clear pink on outer edge of petals and deeper in center, giving it a most lovely and artistic finish. 10 cents.

Mme. Hoste—This very much resembles the Perle des Jardins, but the petals are larger and longer than the Perle. Color, generally clear ivory white. In hot weather, a bright canary, with deep amber center. 10 cents.

Mme. Welche—Apricot yellow, with bright shadings, which are variable but always beautiful, large and double.

Mme. Caroline Kuster—Beautiful orange yellow, clear and distinct.

Marie Guillot—Pure white, the best white bedder to date. Very large and full.

Marie van Houtte—Fine, faultless straw color, outer petals outlined very crimson.

EVER-BLOOMING TEA ROSE, "THE BRIDE."

Marechal Robert—Large and globular in form, quite full, pure white, beautifully shaded with delicate rose.

Malmaison—Blush, very large, double, and fragrant. A leading summer variety.

Meteor—A velvety red ever-bloomer, of the deepest glowing crimson, very double, a beautiful open rose and a free bloomer.

Medea—Flowers bright, lemon yellow, with canary-yellow center. Very full buds of immense size and very double. 10 cents.

Marechal Neil—One of the most magnificent Roses ever grown. Superb buds and flowers, very large and deliciously perfumed. Color deep, golden yellow. Highly esteemed in the South as a splendid climber. 6 cents, large fine plants, 25 cents.

Mrs. Paul—Beautiful pearl-white in color, with satin sheen. This is like Malmaison in growth and form of flower. Won the gold medal prize over all its competitors. 15 cents.

Papa Gontier—Fine crimson with silken texture; the bud is of fine and graceful form. One of the very best dark colored roses for the conservatory, also a splendid bedder.

Perle des Jardins—Color, an indescribably rich and beautiful shade of clear, golden yellow, quite distinct from any other rose.

President—Color soft, rosy crimson, changing to brilliant carmine, shaded purplish red.

Queen's Scarlet—Rich, velvety red; full, and comparatively large, most profuse in bloom; hardy.

Sombreuil—Immense flowers, white, tinged with delicate rose; blooms in clusters. Still a prime favorite.

Sappho—Yellowish fawn, suffused with rose; large, full, and globular; foliage beautiful. 10 cents.

Souv. de Victor Hugo—Bright china-rose, with copper-yellow center.

Souv. de Gabrielle Drevet—Salmon-pink, with center of coppery-rose.

Souv. de Dr. Passot—Color beautiful velvety-carmine, becoming lighter as the flower opens; a very free bloomer. 10 cents.

Souv. de Francois Gaulain—Color varying from magenta to silvery-violet or crimson; large double flowers.

Souv. D'Un Ami—A lovely Tea Rose, color deep, rosy flesh, beautifully shaded with rich carmine, edges and reverse of petals, silver rose.

Sunset—Color is a remarkable shade of rich, golden amber, elegantly tinged, and shaded with dark, reddish copper, intensely beautiful, and resembling the tints seen in a summer sunset, is a constant and profuse bloomer, and, altogether, is probably one of the finest roses of later years. 10 cents.

The Bride—Color pure, ivory white, is strong growing, and will thrive where others fail; the buds which are of grand size are carried high and erect on bright, smooth stems. It is unsurpassed for purity of whiteness, and for form and size, the best pure-white Tea Rose.

Triumph de Pernet Pere—Flower large, double, and of heavy texture; bud long and nicely pointed; free in bloom. 10 cents.

Waban—Color is a bright, clear pink, one of the most beautiful roses grown.

Ye Primrose Dame—As free as the Polyanthas in bloom, fine small foliage; bud of medium size of the most elegant form. Color canary-yellow, with bright pink center. A gem. 10 cents.

THREE NEW AND CHOICE EVER-BLOOMING TEA ROSES.

• NEW • TEA • ROSE •

•• EMPRESS •• AUGUSTA •• VICTORIA ••

Augusta Victoria—It gives us real pleasure to offer this magnificent new Hybrid Tea Rose. It is a royal rose and should be found in every Rose garden. It has magnificent buds, very double, perfectly formed, full flowers; is a continuous bloomer; has a delicate fragrance, and can be cut with long stems. It combines all the good qualities of the Tea Rose, and is an easy winner over all competitors of its class. The buds are beautifully formed, with large petals of a thick and heavy texture, and show no center when fully opened. Color pure white, shaded in the center of the fully expanded flower with pale lemon-yellow. The habit of growth is strong and vigorous, every new branch having a lovely flower. Anticipating a great demand for this lovely Rose, we have provided an immense stock, and offer it at the low price of 15 cents each; large plants 30 cents.

NEW RED TEA ROSE, CHRISTINE DE NOUE.

This beautiful New Red Tea is particularly valuable, because red has been a very scarce color among Tea Roses, and this one seems exceptionally fine. It is a splendid grower, making a large-sized graceful bush, with bright deep green foliage; a constant and very free bloomer; the flowers are well borne up on strong stems, and are usually large and handsome; the buds are long and finely pointed, and the color clear, rich maroon or deep purplish red, center sometimes streaked with silvery white; the petals are finely imbricated, and the flowers are deliciously sweet. 15 cents each; large plants, 25 cents.

NEW PINK TEA ROSE, BRIDESMAID.

A pink Sport of the well-known Catharine Mermet, excelling it in many of its traits.

The color of Bridesmaid is clear, light pink; it is not the red of the Waban, but is equally removed from the shell pink of Mermet, whose yellowish tinge always becomes more marked in bad weather. Bridesmaid pales but little in dull weather, but when it does it still remains pink, a decided advantage over Mermet. The flower is very large and shapely, habit strong, like all the roses of this strain. Certainly a beautiful Rose—by another season we may expect to see it as one of the stars. 15 cents, large plants, 25 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER—For only 25 cents, I will send one each of the above three Choice Roses.

Set of 4 La France Roses

(RED, WHITE, STRIPED AND PINK.)

White La France—A seedling from "La France," retaining the habit of growth, fragrance and blooming qualities of the parent variety; with flowers of a pearly white, shading toward the center to light rose. The soft and delicate tints, the delicious fragrance and large flowers of this superb new variety will delight every lover of beautiful Roses. 10 cents each.

Red La France (Duchess of Albany)—One of the most valuable additions that has been made to our list of Ever-Blooming Roses in many years. Everyone who loves a Rose is familiar with La France, the Queen of all Roses, for not only is it a constant bloomer, but is perfectly hardy and deliciously sweet. The new rose, Duchess of Albany, is a sport from La France and retains all the characteristics of the type, with the blooms three to four shades darker, of a deep rose-pink hue. The flowers are produced in wonderful profusion upon long stems, are very large, double and superb form. The growth is vigorous, with beautiful light green foliage. 10 cents.

Striped La France—A very beautiful sport from La France, which it resembles exactly except in two points; the first is that it is beautifully variegated in bright rose on a satin-pink ground; it is also claimed for it that it blooms much more freely than its parent. A delightful acquisition to the La France. Price, 10 cents.

Pink La France—One of the most beautiful of all Roses, and is unequalled by any in its delightful fragrance, very large, very double, and superbly formed. It is difficult to obtain an idea of its beautiful coloring, but the prevailing color is light, silvery pink, shaded with silvery peach. It blooms continuously throughout the season, often blooming so freely as to check the growth of the plant, in which case a portion of the buds should be removed; stands first among the Roses of our climate. 7 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER.—The set of Red, White Striped and Pink La France Roses for 35 cts.

Hardy Ever-Blooming Rose—Dinsmore.

This peerless variety merits all the praises which have been bestowed on it. For years we had been looking for a variety which had all the desirable qualities of a bedding Rose—that is, one which was of good color, fine form, a profuse bloomer, and which would stand the rigor of our Northern winters without protection; and we can conscientiously say that, until the "Dinsmore" was produced, there was none to our knowledge which combined all these qualities. It is a vigorous, healthy Rose of branching habit, and is simply loaded with flowers all summer long, being even more profuse than most of the tender "everblooming" Roses. The flowers are large, perfectly double, and of a dazzling scarlet-crimson color, and have that rich, spicy fragrance peculiar to the best hybrid Roses. Wherever summer rosebuds are wanted it has no equal. Nice plants, 15 cents; larger plants, 25 cents.

Hardy Ever-Blooming Ball of Snow.

In this variety we have a hardy everblooming Rose of great value. It is a Rose of large size, perfectly double, exquisitely fragrant, pure white in color and entirely hardy. Invaluable for cemetery planting, or where white flowers are desired, as it blooms freely all summer. 10 cents; larger plants, 35 cents.

NEW HYBRID TEA ROSE,

American Beauty.

ROSE AMERICAN BEAUTY.

This new Rose, of American introduction, has attained the greatest popularity in the shortest time and created the greatest excitement of any new Rose ever offered in this country, and this without any special attempt to advertise it, the introducers relying on its great value, which is apparent at a glance. It belongs to the hardy hybrid perpetual class, but it blooms almost as constantly as the Teas. There is no doubt but that it is a good Rose for outdoor culture. It is a strong, vigorous grower, and a very free bloomer. The buds are extra large, very full and double, and exceedingly sweet. The color is a dark, rich crimson, and most exquisitely shaded. The flowers are very lasting after cutting, keeping fresh and bright from one to three weeks. Price, 15 cents each.

We have some extra large plants of this fine Rose that are two feet in height that we offer by express at 30 cents, or by mail for 50 cents. As they are so large they are expensive to pack by mail.

THREE VALUABLE ROSES

House Culture in Winter.

The past Summer we selected three of the freest flowering and easiest-managed Roses for house culture in Winter, and especially prepared the plants for this purpose; they are now ready to send out, and are fine and large, 10 to 12 inches high, stocky and bushy, for immediate and continued blooming. These fine plants will give great satisfaction. At once upon receipt they should be potted in 4-inch pots or boxes of suitable size. The following simple directions for culture will be found safe: Earth for potting should be mellow and rich, not such as will bake and become hard, nor yet too light. If manure is used, it should be old and thoroughly composted; fresh manure is injurious. When first potted, water the plants thoroughly, and if the sun is strong shade lightly for a few days; then give full light and air. The plants should not be allowed to wither for want of water, but too much water is worse than not enough. When roses drop their leaves after being potted it is generally owing to change of temperature, and other conditions, but it may result from too large a pot, or too much water. The best remedy is perfect rest; keep quite dry until signs of new growth appear, then water very sparingly. The conditions most favorable for growing Roses in pots are good, rich soil, plenty of sunshine (the early morning sun is best when it can be had), reasonable and regular heat, and moderate moisture; the temperature may range from 40° to 50° at night, and 60° to 80° in daytime.

NEW TEA POLYANTHA—CLOTILDE SOUPERT.

Clotilde Soupert.

This lovely Rose comes from the Garden of Luxembourg, France. It belongs to the Polyantha class, but resembles the Tea Roses so closely that it is called a Tea Polyantha, and is undoubtedly the finest Rose of its class. The flowers are borne in clusters, and are of large, round, flat form, with beautifully imbricated petals; perfectly full and double, and deliciously sweet; color, beautiful pinkish amber or pale creamy yellow, delicately flushed with silvery rose, sometimes ivory white, exquisitely tinted with pale salmon, and sometimes both red and white flowers are produced on the same plant. It is a particularly elegant and handsome Rose, always greatly admired. The bush is a vigorous and compact grower, and a continuous and remarkably profuse bloomer, being literally loaded with Roses. It is highly recommended for window and house culture; in fact, we think it one of the very best. Large plants, 25 cents each, 3 for 50 cents.

Queen Scarlet.

This very desirable and satisfactory Rose is a free-flowering and satisfactory variety for pot culture; a constant and profuse bloomer; color, rich bright scarlet, very delicate and striking flowers, large and quite double; strong, hardy, upright grower; an unusually good Rose. Large plants, 25 cents each, 3 for 50 cents.

Hermosa.

Everybody who knows Hermosa loves it as one of the most satisfactory flowering Roses, valuable alike either for culture in pots or the open ground. The beautiful flowers are borne in clusters, and are produced in great profusion; double and very fragrant; the color is beautiful clear rose-pink. Large plants, 25 cents each, 3 for 50 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER—The three valuable Roses offered above make a fine trio; we will send a large, strong plant of each variety to any post-office for 50 cents.

Mary Washington.

This fine free-blooming Rose is said by the introducer to have been raised from seed by George Washington, in his garden at Mount Vernon, and to have been named by him in honor of his mother Mary Washington. The original bush is still to be seen at Mount Vernon. The plant is rapid and vigorous in growth, and very free in blooming, bearing fine clusters of fragrant white flowers from early spring until late in the fall. Its association with the "Father of His Country," and its own beauty and fragrance render it a most desirable Rose. Its Mary Washington will produce more flowers than a dozen Tea Roses. 15 cents, large, fine plants, 30 cents.

buds are as beautiful as in large clusters. One plant of the Its fragrance is tinged with the old-fashioned musky flavor, so much admired in olden times.

HARDY CLIMBING ROSES—We have the usual varieties found in this class, and can supply at 8 cents each.

MOSS ROSES—We have a good assortment of these roses, and can furnish the leading sorts at 15 cents each, or four fine sorts of our selection for 50 cents.

Do you want other varieties of Roses not found in this Catalogue—We do not have the space to mention all the Roses that we have in stock. If there are other sorts not found here that you would like, you can order them at the usual price, and we will supply, or any other plants in other Catalogues desired. Send us the price quoted at and we will be glad to secure the same, if we do not already have it in our collection, and forward to your address, thus saving you the trouble of making out two separate orders.

HARDY ROSES—For Fall Planting.

TYPE OF HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSE.

HARDY HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES

THE Hybrid Perpetuals are considered the most valuable of all Roses. They are chiefly distinguished for their vigorous growth and fine, large flowers, and for being entirely hardy. They are particularly valuable for permanent beds or borders in the Northern and Middle States. The flowers are large, often measuring five to six inches in diameter, very fragrant, and of all the colors known to the Rose. Price 8 cents each, except where noted.

Alfred Colomb—Color, bright carmine crimson; very large, full, and of fine form.

Anna de Diesbach—Bright rose, very large and showy.

Black Prince—Dark, velvety crimson, almost black. 15 cents.

Chas. Lefebvre—Reddish crimson, very velvety and rich.

Coquette des Alps—Color, white, sometimes shaded pink, of fine cupped form.

Coquette des Blanchés—Color, pure white, occasionally shows light flesh when first opening. A fine sort for cemetery planting.

Duke of Teck—Color, very bright crimson. A lovely rose.

Earl of Dufferin—Color, fine velvety crimson, beautifully shaded with dark, rich maroon. 10 cents.

Elizabeth Vigneron—Color, bright satiny pink, very large and double.

Eugene Fuerst—Crimson scarlet, velvety, changing to purple rose.

Eugene Verdier—Color, silvery pink, tinged with fawn. A lovely shade.

Ferdinand de Lesseps—Bright crimson, large and full.

Fisher Holmes—Bright, glowing crimson. A valuable sort.

Giant of Battles—Brilliant crimson, large, double, very fragrant.

King of Sweden—(The Black Rose)—Large flowers, of the darkest velvety crimson-black color ever yet seen in one rose. 15 cents.

Marie Rady—Color, brilliant red; flowers large and of fine form; very full, imbricated. One of the finest.

Margaret Dickson—A new white hybrid. It is the greatest acquisition yet seen in White Hybrids. 15 cents.

Prince Arthur—Deep velvety crimson, of the largest size and exquisite form.

Pink Rover—Pale pink flowers, deeper in the center, large and full; very sweet and handsome. 15 cents.

Ulrich Brunner—Rich, glowing crimson. A superb rose.

Gen. Jacqueminot—Now known everywhere. The best, perhaps, of all roses of the Hybrid Perpetual class. Hundreds of thousands of feet of glass are exclusively devoted to this one variety. The buds in midwinter wholesale at from 25 cents to 50 cents apiece. Color, rich crimson; of fine shape and exquisite fragrance. This grand old variety holds its own against all newcomers, and is undoubtedly the finest hardy rose of its class. 10 cents.

General Washington—Soft scarlet, sometimes a glowing crimson. A grand rose, and an old favorite. 10 cents.

Gloire Lyonnaise—Unsurpassed among roses; of beautiful creamy white, very large, with recurring petals. 10 cents.

Marie Baumann—Bright carmine, flower very large and of exquisite form; free bloomer.

NEW EVER-BLOOMING ROSES FOR 1894.

Souv. de Mad. Henneven—Fine china-rose, veined with carmine; center salmon-rose; flowers of medium size, double and fragrant. A profuse bloomer. Especially valuable in the autumn. The cool nights intensify the colors and change the whole character of the flower. It is only necessary that this Rose should be seen to be fully appreciated. 20 cents each.

Baroness Berge—A perfect beauty and one of the best new Roses for 1894. The flowers are of medium size, very double, and formed like a camellia with petals recurved. Color light yellow, with the petals bordered with light rose, center bright china-rose. The foliage is very rich and fresh, the flowers are produced in wonderful profusion, and the buds and flowers can be used for wearing, and for vases. One of the best bedding Roses. 20 cents each.

Comtesse de Breteuil—Of very vigorous growth, but dwarf and compact. Flowers medium to large in size, with petals of good substance. Color salmon-rose, center bright rose, shaded with apricot; beautiful globular buds and very fragrant. 20 cents each.

Madeleine Guillaumez—The flowers are borne in great profusion; they are of fine, regular form, with large petals. The color is delicate creamy-white, the center shaded with salmon. A beautiful rose and very desirable. 20 cents each.

Directeur Rene Gerard—Extra large very double flowers, with a remarkable combination of colors. The petals are very brilliant, of a light yellow bordered with china-rose, and changing toward the base of petals to deep golden-yellow; the center of the flower is a rich, bright peach color. Very free flowering and a strong flower. 20 cents each.

Marie Fleuri—A new climbing Tea Rose, with large, luxuriant foliage. The flowers are extra large, and are borne singly on long stems. Color pure satiny-white; large, pointed buds, with the fragrance of the Jessamine. 20 cents each.

Leo XIII—This is certainly an exquisite Rose, and will be popular because of its beautiful buds, which are as long and of the same shape as Niphetos. The growth is strong and vigorous, with light green foliage. Color white, shading to pale yellow, with a center of light rose; very double. A constant bloomer, and very fragrant. 20 cents each.

Francois Menard—Color deep, rosy salmon, shading lighter. A strong, vigorous-growing variety, with medium-sized flowers. 20 cents each.

American Belle—A pink sport from "American Beauty," and entirely distinct from it, both in color of flower, and foliage, a very beautiful variety, and will become a great favorite when better known. 25 cents.

Beauty Inconstant—A wonderful new Rose, deriving its name from its quality of producing flowers of different shades on the same plant. The colors vary from crimson to light pink, through all shades of tawny red, orange, chrome, and deep rose, all these colors being frequently seen on one bush at the same time. The beauty of color effects is indescribable. 20 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER—For only \$1.25 I will send you the above set of ten New Roses of 1894. This offer is a real bargain.

PRIMULA—Chinese Primrose.

There are no plants so valuable for window culture, or more easily grown, if the right conditions are observed, than the **Chinese Primulas**. They are unequaled as winter bloomers, giving a succession of flowers throughout the season, and are prized both for the beauty and the delicate fragrance of their foliage and flowers. Each flower is about the size of a silver quarter, and there will be scores of flowers in each cluster on a well-grown plant, so that you will have flowers from the same cluster for weeks in succession. Fortunately it does not require a south window, in fact, does best in a north window, as it likes coolness. Care should be taken in watering that no water gets on the buds, as it causes them to rot. We have grown more than ten thousand plants to offer for this fall's sales. In our collection will be found the choicest and newest shades to be had. Price, 10 cents each; six fine sorts for only 50 cents.

ACALYPHA A NEW BEDDING PLANT.

Popularly known as **Shrubby Coleus**. Richer in color and on account of its vigorous habit stands the sun perfectly well. Much used in the Parks and Public Gardens at Washington, D. C., and in other large Parks last summer, always attracting attention. The foliage resembles the Autumn Maple leaves in shape and color. They also make nice ornamental plants for the window and garden. Price, 10 cents each; three distinct sorts for 25 cents.

ORNITHOGALUM.

O. Arabicum—The Great Flowered Arabian Star of Bethlehem—A beautiful variety, throwing up a tall spike bearing numerous large milk-white star-shaped flowers, with a black center, and having a distinct aromatic perfume. They are decidedly pretty and interesting when grown in the garden—but are more largely grown for greenhouse and window decoration, being of the easiest culture. A few displayed at one of the flower shows last winter in New York attracted universal attention and admiration. Largely forced by florists now for cut flowers. 6 cents each.

PRIMULA FIMBRIATA—SINGLE CHINESE PRIMROSE.

THE WATER HYACINTH.

One of the most remarkably curious and beautiful plants we have ever grown. Instead of growing in soil, it floats in the water, which it is enabled to do by means of its curiously inflated leaf stalks, which resemble bladders, or balloons, filled with air. A large mass of feathery blue roots grow downward, their ends entering the soil. It forms a lovely rosette of its curious, shining green leaves, and throws up spikes of the most exquisite flowers imaginable, resembling, in form, a spike of Hyacinth bloom, but as beautiful as many of the choicest and most costly Orchids. Each flower is as large, or larger, than a silver dollar; color a beautiful, soft lilac rose, sparkling as if covered with diamond dust. The upper petal, which is the largest, has a large metallic blue blotch in the center, and in the center of that, a small, deep, golden yellow spot. Can be grown in the open air in summer, and in the window in winter, in anything which will hold water. The most beautiful effect is produced by using a glass vessel of some sort, with shells and white sand so arranged in the bottom as to conceal a small amount of soil. 15 cents each; four for 50 cents.

THE BEAUTIFUL ORCHID

Japanese Pink Spider Lily.

The Japanese pink and salmon varieties can not fail to create another sensation. Moreover, if planted in a warm, light position, they will prove perfectly hardy, with some protection. In the Southern States they would surely thrive freely and increase rapidly in the open air, without any protection whatever, blooming at the proper time.

As shown in our illustration, a clump of bulbs produces a large number of spikes of the most delicate flowers, varying in their colors from pinkish salmon to pink, vermilion, and scarlet, the petals being beautifully undulated, and by artificial light sparkling like jewels; an ornament indeed for the finest parlor.

They bloom from September until November, and therefore should be ordered as early as possible. All lovers of the beautiful should certainly add this to their collection. Largest bulbs of blooming size, 20 cents.

PONTERERIA CRASSIFES MAJOR.

WHITE * SPIDER * LILY.

Grandest of evergreen lilies, bearing many tall flower spikes, surmounted by eight to twelve large white sweet-scented flowers, blooming for several weeks. They are highly prized by florists for floral designs, on account of their delicacy and delicious odor. The evergreen leaves afford a beautiful ornament during the winter among other plants. They thrive best in a moist situation, and planted out in May, will flower in July. Are also desirable for growing in water, placing the bulb in a vase or bowl, treating same as Hyacinths. Admirably adapted for pot culture, and can be forced into flower in from 6 to 8 weeks. Strong blooming bulbs, 25 cts.

CHINESE NARCISSUS, OR SACRED LILY.

Honeysuckles.

Honeysuckle, Golden-Leaved—A beautiful variety, the leaves being variegated with golden yellow and green, making it one of the finest of all ornamental foliage plants. A large, rapid grower, soon covering the side of a house. Flowers yellow and fragrant. 10 cents.

Honeysuckle, Chinese Evergreen—Blooms nearly all the season. Deliciously fragrant flowers; buff, yellow and white. 8 cents.

Honeysuckle, Hall's Japan—This is the most constant bloomer of the class, being liberally covered all summer with beautiful yellow and white flowers. 8 cents.

Astilbe.

Japonica—This beautiful flower will bloom in February and nothing more graceful or charming is to be found in any collection of plants. Being hardy, and of a herbaceous character, it does not commence to grow until a few weeks before blooming, and a comparatively cool room would suit it best. The flowers form feathery spikes of pure white, beautiful for wearing, and presenting a pretty appearance upon the plants. Keep the roots in a cellar until Christmas, and then start them into growth. 25 cents each.

Superb New Double White Fuchsia.

MRS. E. C. HILL.

This superb variety is undeniably the most perfect and beautiful double White Fuchsia ever raised. The short tube and sepals are a bright, rich, reddish crimson color; corolla extra large, full and double; flower of the largest size; is of robust, upright growth, not coarse, but compact and very symmetrical. It has every qualification to recommend it, size, freedom of bloom, and constitution. Price, 12 cents each.

We have a fine collection of Fuchsias, but have no room to name them here. A collection of eight fine sorts sent free by mail for only 50 cents.

The Sacred Lily of China.

Known also as Joss Flower, or Flower of the Gods, and "Water Fairy Flower," as it is sometimes called by the Celestials, is a bulb, bearing in the greatest abundance, silvery-white flowers with a bright golden yellow cup in the center of each. They are of entrancing beauty and a delicious perfume. It is grown by the Chinese to herald the coming of their New Year, and as a symbol of good luck. While the bulb can be grown in a pot, the most novel and beautiful way is to grow it in a shallow bowl of water with enough pebbles to prevent it from tipping over when the immense spikes of flowers are developed. The short time required to bring the bulbs into full bloom—four to six weeks after planting—and the fact that it can be grown everywhere and by anybody, is certain to secure a permanent popularity for the "Sacred Lily." Large bulbs of the true sort direct to me from China, I offer for 25 cents each, free by mail. A dozen bulbs, planted one a week, will give a supply of flowers all winter. Per dozen, \$2.25.

HELIOTROPES.

The Heliotrope is universally esteemed and admired for the delicious perfume of its flowers, and as the plant only requires the treatment ordinarily given to the Verbena, it may be enjoyed by all. If it is planted in a rich soil out of doors in summer it will yield a constant profusion of fragrant flowers. Bedded out in a conservatory the Heliotrope lives for many years, grows to a great size, and furnishes a large quantity of bloom in winter. Indeed it is one of the best plants for this purpose.

Mme. Ad. Dubouche—Trusses enormous, soft, and mossy-looking; color, velvety violet. One of the most beautiful Heliotropes ever introduced. Odor exquisite. 10 cents.

Mireille—The flower is immense, very delicate pearl shade, edged with palest Heliotrope. An improvement on White Lady, though not so nearly white. 10 cents.

Comtesse de Mortemarte—Very free flowering, and exceedingly sweet; dark velvety blue, with white eye; splendid for massing. 10 cents.

White Lady—One of the very finest of the whites. 5 cents.

A. Delaux—Purple flower, golden variegated foliage. 8 cents.

Cameleon—Bright blue, passing to pale lavender. Large flowers. 5 cents.

La Renomme—Deep purple, white eye; very rich color; compact habit. 8 cents.

THE KING OF FUCHSIAS, PHENOMENAL.

The flowers are of enormous proportions, being very double, very broad, and of great substance, well reflexed, of a most beautiful coral red, corolla intense bright sky-blue. This is without comparison as a novelty. The largest Fuchsia grown. Price, good strong plants, 12 cents each.

CYPERUS, OR UMBRELLA PLANT.

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This plant grows finely in shallow water, with rich soil or mud, soon throwing up long stalks which are surmounted with narrow, dark green leaves, arranged in such a manner as to suggest the name of Umbrella Plant. It will also flourish and make a fine clump in the garden with the same culture as given to Cannas and Dahlias. Price 10 cents.

PALMS.

High prices are always asked for Palms, and it is worth while to state why. They are slow in growth, and it is impossible to propagate them rapidly; but these are only reasons why they cost the florist much; they are, in addition, intrinsically more valuable than most other plants. When a Palm pushes a new leaf it has developed a feature which it will not lose for years—practically never lose under good treatment. Herbaceous plants grow, and their growth dies at the close of the season, or the plant becomes ungainly, and some of its branches have to be removed. All growth of a Palm, on the contrary, is stable; it is part of a symmetrical structure, and will endure so long as the plant itself survives. The foliage is firm, closely woven of hard fibers, and is uninjured by any but the most uncalled-for neglect and abuse. The beauty of the plants is corresponding. They make noble specimens, very graceful, but of great dignity, and are more effective for indoor decoration than plants of any other description, and where there exist circumstances to render the growing of a full plant collection inconvenient or impossible, a single good specimen Palm will often find room and constitute in itself a handsome floral furniture.

PALM, ARECA LUTESCENS.—This majestic Palm is without a peer for strength and elegance combined. Its dark, glossy-green leaves are gracefully curved on slender stems, and the entire foliage is gracefully disposed. The trunk and stems are a golden yellow, irregularly spotted with bronzy green, giving it a peculiar charm. (See cut.) Small plants, eight to ten inches high, 25 cents; plants twelve to fifteen inches high, 50 cents; stocky plants eighteen to twenty inches high, \$1.50; fine plants two feet high, \$2.00.

COCOS WADDELIANA.—This is undoubtedly the most graceful Palm yet introduced to our collection. The stems are slender; the leaves long and beautifully arched; the leaflets or pinnae are very fine; deep green above, white below. Native of South America. Good, young plants in three pots, 60 cents.

KENTIA BELMOREANA.—The Kentias are among the best of the palm species for general cultivation, being almost impregnable against diseases. The variety shown in the engraving is one of the best in its class, graceful habit, bright green foliage gracefully disposed; as a decorative plant for the window, dinner table, or conservatory, it scarcely has an equal. Nice young plants, three and four leaves, eight inches high, 40 cents; good plants, four to five leaves, fifteen to twenty inches high, 75 cents; strong, stocky plants, six leaves, two feet high, \$2.00 each.

LATANIA BARBONICA.—The well-known favorite fan Palm, beautiful in all stages of growth. No plant is more easily grown and none more tenacious of life, enduring alike the dust, cold and heat from open windows and gas-heated air of our dwellings. The demand for this particular kind is perhaps five times that of any other. Leaves large, fan-shaped, of cheerful green color. Plant of hardy constitution, and adapted to all decorative purposes, within or without doors; appreciated by all the plant-loving community. With age the plant attains noble proportions, and becomes very valuable. When too large for the house it can readily be sold. Small plants, three to four leaves, 25 cents; nice plants, four to five leaves, 50 cents; stocky plants, twenty to twenty-four inches high, \$1.50; extra large plants, six to seven leaves, twenty-four to thirty inches high, \$3.00.

SEAFORTHIA ELEGANS.—A most useful conservatory or lawn plant. Leaves from two to ten feet long. Largely grown on account of its hardy constitution and graceful character. They soon develop into noble specimens. Nice, young plants, 20 cents each; stocky plants from 3-inch pots, 40 cents.

PANDANUS UTILIS.—For majesty of form and gracefully arranged foliage this is without a peer, while its vigorous constitution enables it to stand more neglect, without serious injury, than almost any other plant we know of. As an ornament for the window its glossy dark green serrated foliage renders it unusually attractive, while as a vase plant or single specimen in greenhouse or conservatory it can not be surpassed. It is also largely used to decorate the halls in our finest private residences, and shows grandly on the lawn when grown to a sufficient size. Nice, young plants, 25 cents.

PALM, ARECA LUTESCENS.

PALM, LATANIA BARBONICA.

Our stock of Palms is unusually fine this Fall, while our prices were never so low. Order of them, and you are sure to be pleased.

Tuberous Begonias

For Pot Plants are now classed among the handsomest Flowering Bulbs. The record of floriculture does not list a flower that has been so greatly increased in size, improved in form, and intensified in color as this. They bloom continually throughout the Spring and Summer, the flowers often exceeding SIX INCHES IN DIAMETER, and unrivalled in color the most brilliant and dazzling Geranium flowers; and from the time the first blossom appears until all growth is stopped by frost they are never out of bloom, and are borne in such profusion that the rich green foliage is almost hidden under the load of blossoms. For a bedding plant outdoors, or for pot culture in the house, the Tuberous Rooted Begonia can not fail to give satisfaction, even to the most inexperienced, as they require but little more attention than the Geranium. We have five bulbs in the following colors: Crimson, Scarlet, Rose, Yellow, and Pink, each color 15 cents each, or the set of six colors for only 75 cents. Not ready for shipment until October 1.

Gloxinias.

Most charming greenhouse plants, of dwarf habit. Their flowers are produced in greatest profusion—often three or four inches across—and are of the most exquisite and gorgeous colors, many of which are magnificently spotted, mottled and blended. Under the commonest culture they bloom continuously for months, and by starting at intervals a succession of their splendid flowers may be had nearly the whole year round. They are also exceedingly useful if planted out in a warm frame and shaded from the bright sun, for growing for cut flowers during the summer months. Fine bulbs 15 cents each. Six different colors for 75 cents. Not ready for shipment until October 1.

THE TRUE BERMUDA EASTER LILY.

(LILIUM HARRISII.)

Pure pearly white, deliciously fragrant, and a remarkable profusion of bloom characterize this charming and celebrated Easter Lily. It is one of the grandest acquisitions made in many years. Without exception, it is one of the most valuable bulbs for winter flowering in the house. A profusion may be had from Christmas until Spring—with a dozen bulbs or more. Bulbs after flowering can be rested a couple of months by withholding water, and will then produce another crop of flowers frequently, equal to the first. It is a magnificent variety for church decoration at Easter, and tens of thousands are grown for this purpose alone. Our first sized bulbs (averaging 5 to 7 inches) will bear from 5 to 8 flowers, and sometimes many more. Very large bulbs in their native place have borne 112 flowers, but this of course is an exception. The flowers are purest white, 4 to 5 inches long, and of the most delicious fragrance.

The True Bermuda Easter Lily is equally as valuable for planting in the garden, and is entirely hardy south of Washington, and will stand our winters in this latitude if covered with leaves and litter to a depth of 5 or 6 inches.

To Have a Succession of Bloom—At least a dozen bulbs should be used; more would of course give a greater display. A portion of the pots can be brought in the house, after the bulbs are thoroughly rooted, which requires about six weeks' time. Place in a sunny position, and the lilies will flower in a temperature of from 60 to 70 in about 8 weeks afterwards; if the temperature is warmer they will flower sooner. For succession of bloom a few pots can be "brought in" at intervals of two or three weeks.

When the bulbs are received they should be stored in a cool place, and protected from the drying air by a covering of moist soil. In potting use a rich loam mixed with well-rotted manure or Excelsior Fertilizer and sand. Put some broken crocks in the bottom of the pot and fill rather loosely with soil; press the bulb firmly down, so that the top is just covered with soil after it is settled. Water sparingly, and put in a cool, dry place like Hyacinths. When the pots are well filled with roots the plants can be removed to the conservatory or sunny window. The bulbs are perfectly hardy south of Washington, D. C., and will stand the winter farther north if covered with leaves to a depth of five or six inches.

PRICES OF THE BULBS.

First Size Bulbs—5 to 7 inches in circumference, produce 5 to 8 flowers, 10 cents.

Extra Large Bulbs—7 to 9 inches in circumference, produce 10 to 20 flowers, 18 cents each.

This variety is ready to ship September 1.

SPECIAL OFFER
For \$1.00 I will send free by mail, 10 First Size Bulbs.

SPECIAL OFFER No. 2—For \$1.00 I will send 6 extra large bulbs of Extra Large Liliun Harrisii, priced at 18 cents each. In ordering, say Offer No. 2.

THE TRUE BERMUDA EASTER LILY.

LILIES.

LILIUM AURATUM (THE GOLDEN-BANDED LILY).

PLANT ONE THIS AUTUMN.

Of the many Lilies we owe to Japan, none can compare with the Great Golden-Banded Lily. It is the grandest of all Lilies for growing in the open ground; entirely hardy, lasts for years, increasing in size and beauty each season. Stalks 3 to 6 feet high, crowned with masses of splendid white and gold flowers 4 to 6 inches in diameter. The odor is fascinating, and as it steals from the spotted petals suggests the reedy jungle and the stalking tiger. We offer a fine stock of bulbs, home-grown, for one season. Plant this fall for next summer's bloom.

We offer Auratum bulbs in two sizes. All are fine, strong bulbs, sure to bloom; the only difference is the size. Standard size, first quality, 25 cents each. Medium size, first quality, 20 cents each.

Lily Candidum (Lily of the Annunciation)—This Lily is the emblem of purity. The deep lemon anthers contrast beautifully with the wax-like petals. The fragrance is delicious and never oppressive. It is one of the best of Lilies to grow in the house or outside. Perfectly hardy. 12 cents each.

Lily Speciosum Rubrum—This is one of the most popular and satisfactory of all Lilies, and is considered by many as the finest of all Lilies. The flowers are bright crimson and white spotted. Splendid large flowers borne in clusters, stem 2 to 3 feet. Price, 20 cents.

Tigrinum fl. pl. (Double Tiger Lily)—This magnificent Lily is borne in immense clusters on tall stems; the flowers are very large, frequently six inches across, and very double: color, deep, fiery red, spotted with black; any illustration gives but a faint idea of the showiness of this superb Lily. Price, 12 cents.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 75 cents I will send free by mail, 6 fine hardy Lilies, including one each of Auratum and Harrisii.

NOTICE.—The above varieties of Lilies, with the exception of Harrisii and Candidum (which are ready for shipment in September), can not be sent out before the last of October. When ordered with other bulbs, they will be booked and forwarded as above.