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DEAR FRIEND:—

In presenting our catalog for 1896 to our old friends, and newer acquaintances, we feel sure that it is quite an improvement over that of last year. The plant list especially is more complete, and, while not so long at that of some others, is the result of most careful selection, for it is our desire to present from the innumerable good, bad and indifferent varieties of plants that are offered, only **THE VERY BEST IN EACH CLASS**, and so save our customers much time, trouble and money; in other words, we do the experimenting for you, and give you the result of it in a list of plants that are **ALL GOOD**. Our rule is "**NOT THE CHEAPEST BUT THE BEST**," and our business plan, **TO ALWAYS PLEASE EVERY CUSTOMER AT ANY COST**, which means the best of stock, always a little more given than promised, and all mistakes cheerfully corrected. If you have never dealt with us, just give us a trial order, and we will try to prove that **WE MEAN WHAT WE SAY**. We want to treat you **RIGHT** and in token of our good faith, make this,

OUR NOVEL GUARANTEE.

We **GUARANTEE** to fill your order to your satisfaction, and if it is not, you may return it **PREPAID**, and we will refund your money in full, **AND ALSO THE AMOUNT OF RETURN POSTAGE YOU HAD TO PAY**, thus making you **ABSOLUTELY SAFE**. Upon this guarantee we ask your orders. You may receive a dozen catalogs, but who makes you such an **ABSOLUTE** offer? Could we **AFFORD** to do it if we did not intend to treat you **RIGHT**?—and upon the strength of our sincerity we ask you to trust **US** with your order **THIS** time.

Very sincerely yours,

BEN HAINS CO.

BEN HAINS, Manager.

THIS IS TO READ. OUR PART.

GOOD STOCK In seeds, plants and bulbs, in the very best new sorts, is what we offer, while at the same time, our location in a small city, with cheap rents and low expenses, and an economically conducted business enables us to offer good stock about as

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EVERYTHING FREE BY MAIL. To any part of the United States, Canada, Mexico, or any country in the Postal Union, which comprises nearly the whole world.

LOWER BY EXPRESS. If sent by express, extra plants and bulbs may be selected **BY YOU** to the amount of twenty cents on each dollar, while larger and heavier ones can be sent, and they will more than repay you for ordering in this way, if you are not too far off. Beside this, we can afford to add many more extras to orders that are to be sent by express, and the soil does not have to be taken from the roots, which is a great advantage. Express rates on bulbs and plants have been reduced twenty per cent.

EXTRAS. Of our selection are added to all orders above \$1.00, except in the case of the low priced **COLLECTIONS**.

SEED AND BULB ORDERS filled at once.

PLANT ORDERS filled from March 1 to April 15, according to section of country to which they are to be shipped. They will be sent earlier or later, if you ask it. The rush of the busy season sometimes delays orders from one to four days.

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	Mail.	Express.
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NOTICE that this only applies to seeds by the packet, and plants and bulbs at the **INGLE** and **DOZEN** catalog prices. The hundred prices and all Collections are subject to no discount, except as noted on Page 27.

YOUR PART.

ORDER EARLY, and so greatly help us in the Spring rush. Your plants will then be held till the proper time, unless you wish them sent at once.

USE THE ORDER BLANKS, and keep the seed order separate from the plant and bulb order.

DON'T FORGET TO SIGN YOUR NAME, and put down your address and State. We have orders on hand now that we are unable to fill for this reason. Write your name and address **VERY** plainly.

SIZE OF ORDERS. Orders for seeds and bulbs of any amount will be gladly filled, but orders for plants of less than 50 cents must be accompanied by 10 cents to pay the cost of packing.

HOW TO SEND MONEY. Money sent by Express or Post-office Money Order, Bank Draft, or securely wrapped in a Registered Letter is at **OUR RISK**, but money or stamps enclosed in a letter and not registered is at **YOUR RISK**, though it **USUALLY** reaches us safe.

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NEW AND DESIRABLE FLOWERS.

New Climbing Nasturtiums.

MADAME GUENTHER'S HYBRIDS.

For richness and variety of colors these new hybrids have no equals among Nasturtiums. There are shades of rose, salmon, brightest red, and pale yellow, either as solid colors, or spotted and striped. The foliage is mostly dark, and contrasts very effectively with the rich colors. They are grand climbers, and free and continuous bloomers, and there are colors and combinations that have not appeared before in this popular flower, such as white, shaded carmine on the edges, with deep maroon throat; yellow, shaded and mottled with carmine; white with red blotches; shrimp pink with maroon throat, bright yellow and orange. They are superb, try them. Per oz., 35c; pkt.....15c

FOUR Grand New Sweet Peas.

NEW DWARF SWEET PEA, "CUPID."

A truly wonderful novelty, a large-flowering Sweet Pea, that only grows about five inches high, the little bushy plants appearing a perfect mass of white, the flowers being of perfect form, large size, and remaining in bloom fully two months longer than any other Sweet Pea. It is THE floral novelty of the year. Per pkt.....25c

America.

The only REAL intense scarlet Sweet Pea in existence. No other sort compares with it in distinctiveness. It has a wide, finely marked blotch of scarlet on a pure white ground with some scarlet veinings toward the edge of both the standard and the wing of the flower. The color contrast is intense, and it bids fair to be one of the most popular of all Sweet Peas. Per pkt.....15c

Bride of Niagara.

The new DOUBLE Sweet Pea introduced by James Vick's Sons. This is not the first double Sweet Pea, but the first satisfactory one. We furnish it in the original sealed packets from the introducers at 25 cents per packet. All who cultivate this beautiful flower, and their name is legion now, should try this, the first good double variety. Pkt. 25c

Extra Early Blanche Ferry.

The original Blanche Ferry has been a very popular variety, the standards being of a lovely bright pink, and the wings nearly white, giving more flowers and continuing longer in bloom than any other variety introduced before this time. In this extra early Blanche Ferry, we have a sort that retains all the good points of the original Blanche Ferry, and in addition is the earliest Sweet Pea, and that not by a day or two, but about two weeks, and is in bloom longer than any other variety, while the habit is so dwarf and compact that it can be grown outside without any support whatever. Price, per pkt.....10c

New Yellow Datura.

Last year we gave a full page to the new Datura, "Cornucopia," thinking that it well deserved it, and this time we catalog another Datura, that we think even finer in some respects than that one. It is a "Cornucopia," but the flowers are not purple, but a beautiful yellow, making it a much more showy and effective plant. It makes a stocky plant two and a half feet high the first season from seed, and the flowers are of gigantic size, many of them ten inches long, very double, and produced in the greatest profusion. Price, per pkt.....15c

Madame Guenther's Hybrids.

New Celosia, "Ostrich Plume."

A beautiful feathered Celosia, that makes a handsome pyramidal plant three feet high, covered with massive plumes of deep, glowing crimson, so feathery as to suggest the name of "Ostrich Plume." It is of the easiest culture, and makes a showy and desirable plant, either for pot culture, or outdoor planting. Per pkt.....10c

The Giant Yellow Hibiscus.

This grand flower we did not offer for sale last year, giving it free with each \$2.00 order, and offering a prize of \$25.00 for the largest flower grown from our seed, and received several pressed flowers that measured about eight inches in diameter. (See page 26 for name of prize-winner, etc.) It is truly a magnificent flower, and is superior to the other large Yellow Hibiscus offered by other parties, in that it is the only one that, if sown out of doors in the Northern States, will bloom and ripen before frost. The immense flowers are borne in profusion from early in July on, and are a wonderfully delicate creamy yellow, that deepens toward the center into rich, translucent gold, from which veins of the same color extend into the lighter yellow of the petals, while inside of all is a large eye of deep garnet-red, like velvet. The beauty of the colors cannot be described, and when we add to this the gigantic size of the blooms, and the freedom with which they are produced, and the ease with which the plant is cultivated, it is hard to name its equal in this class. A circular bed of this plant is a sight indeed. Price, per pkt.....15c

NEW

Perennial Chrysanthemums.

The Chrysanthemum has become wonderfully popular of the last few years, and has reached a perfection undreamed of. One of the most fascinating things the amateur flower lover can do is to raise them from seed, and we offer a very fine strain indeed, saved from the finest exhibition varieties that will produce some splendid flowers. Did you know that they will make large blooming plants the first year from seed? Price for finest mixture, 20c per pkt.

New Tom Thumb Dahlias.

Charming plants only twelve or fifteen inches high, raised from seed as easily as a Zinnia, making beautiful beds and edgings. Price per pkt., 10c.

Two Fine New Marigolds.

Lemon Queen. A globular, double flower, of the largest size, and of a pure, clear lemon yellow color. Plant of good shape, dwarf and compact. Per pkt., 6c.

Legion of Honor. As pretty a dwarf Marigold as ever grew. Very dwarf and compact, forming rounded masses of bloom nine inches high. Flowers brilliant yellow with velvety brown centers. Per pkt., 8c; 3 for 20c.

New Yellow Dolichos.

A splendid new variety of the well known Hyacinth Bean, of the most luxuriant growth, far outstripping the older sorts, and quickly covering unsightly objects with a curtain of the richest green, covered with a reckless profusion of blossoms of bright yellow. Per pkt 6c.

Centrosema Grandiflora.

A member of the Sweet Pea family, growing to a height of six or eight feet, and bearing large clusters of inverted pea-shaped flowers of a deep rosy violet tint, delicately feathered with white, from June until cut down by frost, and then the vine being hardy, simply rests till the next year, and then begins over again. Soak in warm water before planting. Per pkt., 8c.

Tuberous Begonias.

We offer a splendid mixture of seeds of fine large sorts, mostly single, but including some double. The seed is very expensive and must be treated with care, and sown under glass covers. Pkt., 8c.

Begonia Vernon.

This seedling of the Semperflorens type is one of the grandest novelties that has been offered for years. The plants stand the sun like a Geranium, the leaves coloring up in bronze and purple tints of indescribable richness, and the flowers becoming of the deepest glowing crimson as the weather grows warmer. A bed of this Begonia is a magnificent sight, and there is nothing finer for edging beds of the taller foliage plants, while for winter blooming it is grand if the temperature is not too low. Pkt., 10c.

CURIOUS PLANTS.

Hedge off a corner of your garden with tall Cannas or a screen of vines, and plant it with these "Curious Plants," and your "Wonderland" will be a constant source of pleasure and surprise.

(CURIOUS PLANTS.)

CANARY BIRD FLOWER. (*Tropaeolum Peregrinum.*) One of the most graceful and beautiful members of the Nasturtium family growing to a height of twenty feet or more, and its clear, golden yellow flowers from whose form the vine gets its name, cover it thickly. Per pkt., 4c; 3 for 10c.

BALLOON VINE. (*Cardiospermum Hallicabum.*) A rapid growing, handsome climber, whose small white flowers are followed by curious inflated seed vessels resembling small balloons. Per pkt., 3c.

CYCLANTHERA EXPLODENS. A very pretty vine that grows to a height of ten feet, producing numbers of minute white flowers, followed by small fruits that explode with a loud noise when ripe. Per pkt., 4c.

BALSAM APPLE. (*Momordica Balsamina.*) A pretty and odd apple-shaped fruit. Per pkt., 6c.

BALSAM PEAR. (*Momordica Charantia.*) A rapid growing climber, bearing handsome fruits of a rich golden yellow, which, when fully ripe, burst open disclosing a glowing carmine interior. The contrast is vivid, and indescribably rich. The fruits are put up in alcohol or whisky and make a much-prized tincture. Per pkt., 4c; 3 for 10c.

THE SHELL FLOWER. (*Molucella Laevis.*) It grows about three feet high and its numerous branches are so thickly covered with unique, shell-like, white green and purple flowers, as to scarcely leave any room for leaves. It is also called "Shell Balm," from the delightful balm fragrance that arises from it when cut or broken. Pkt., 10c.

SNAILS. (*Medicago Acutiflata.*) A plant grown for its curious seed pods, which closely resemble snail shells. They may cause exclamations of surprise when placed where they do not belong. Per pkt., 6c.

MEDICAGO MIXED. A collection of twenty different species, bearing seed pods of many odd shapes. Per pkt., 4c.

DEVIL'S HORNS. (*Martynia Proboscidea.*) The seed pods of this plant are used for pickling when in a tender state, but as they become older they elongate into long, sharp benked points. The pretty flowers resemble Gloxinias, and are purple, yellow and white. Per pkt., 4c.

ORNAMENTAL GOURDS.

Dish Egg Gourd. A pretty vine bearing tissue-paper-like flowers, followed by elongated gourd-like fruits, which, when fully ripe, may be opened into a flat sheet that answers nicely for a dish rag, or other like purposes. Per pkt., 6c; 3 for 10c.

Hercules Club Gourd. Produces club-shaped fruits several feet in length. 3c.

Japanese Nest Egg Gourd. The small white, oval fruits borne by this vine simulate a hen's egg so nearly in size, shape and color, that they are used for nest eggs. 3c.

Serpent Gourd. Bears curled and twisted serpent-like fruits several feet in length. Per pkt., 4c.

Dipper Gourd. How curious its long-stemmed water-bush look as they hang from the vine, and what water ever tasted as sweet as that from these dippers. 4c.

Ornamental Gourds Mixed. A great variety of odd and useful sorts. 5c. per pkt.; 4 for 10c.

THE SENSITIVE PLANT. (*Mimosa Pudica.*) While not new, this plant never fails to excite interest, and it is a great favorite with the children, who stand in awe of a plant that seems so much alive. Per pkt., 5c.

THE CRUEL PLANT. (*Physanthus Albus.*) This exceedingly beautiful and interesting climber produces quantities of pure white, fragrant flowers, which close up upon flies and insects, and give it its name. Per pkt., 10c.

One Packet each of these Seventeen Curious Plants for 50c.

Choice Flower Seeds.

THE following list of flower seeds will be found shorter than some, but yet embraces a fair-sized list of the most desirable varieties to be found. We have endeavored to select from many sorts, those combining the best qualities of form, growth and color, and to omit the more ordinary varieties that serve to pad a list into impressive proportions. Perhaps you will think from the price at which they are offered, that they must be cheap stock. That is a mistake that the seeds will correct for themselves when they bloom. We pay *good prices* for seed of *extra quality* and *depend upon an economically conducted business and more of it*, to enable us to offer them at the *low prices* at which we do, believing that most people would rather have thirty-three varieties of flowers at three cents, than twenty at five cents. In a few cases ordinary *good* mixtures are offered to meet the wants of those who do not care to pay for *superior quality*, but these cases are *few and always noted*. Even these mixtures are not "cheap" stock.

We cannot afford to sell poor seed, and we realize the fact.

While the seeds that we send out are all good and fresh, we cannot be responsible for their growing, as there are so many ways in which good seed may be destroyed. Sometimes a cold, wet spell comes after they are planted and the tender varieties rot. Again, dry weather may follow sowing time, and the half sprouted seeds may dry up before appearing above the ground. Sometimes tiny seeds that should be sown on the surface of finely sifted mould, are buried beneath half an inch of clods, and then the seedsman is blamed with selling poor seeds.

Annuals generally may be planted as soon as the ground permits and the danger of frost is past, the more tender ones a little later, but hardy sorts like Poppies, Larkspurs and Sweet Peas as early as the ground can be worked. Some not quite hardy may be started in pots or boxes in the house, and transplanted later. Keep the surface of the ground between plants well stirred with a hoe or rake, and *don't sprinkle* in dry weather. If you can thoroughly *soak* the ground from four to eight inches deep, it will be a great benefit, but a mere surface sprinkling only brings the roots to the top, and when omitted the plants greatly suffer. Cultivation on the contrary keeps the roots down, and then a good soaking goes right where it will do them good.

Adonis.

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Æstivalls. An ornamental garden plant often called Flax Adonis or Pheasant's Eye. It makes a beautiful mass of foliage, covered with brilliant scarlet flowers. It grows a foot or more in height, and is fine for edging or bordering, remaining a long time in bloom. One of its best points is that it does well in partial shade, so that it is at home in any part of the garden. Per pkt., 3c.

Alyssum.

Everybody knows the Sweet Alyssum, and tons of seed are sold each year. It is a free-flowering little plant that bears its small clusters of fragrant white flowers in extravagant profusion throughout the season, making a pretty mass of white, or an effective edging to beds of flowering or foliage plants. It is a splendid plant for winter blooming, and its prostrate habit adapts it finely for hanging baskets, or edging greenhouse benches. Sow the seeds *very early* in the spring, as it is a hardy annual.

Sweet Alyssum, per pkt., 3c; per oz., 25c.
Little Gem is a dwarf variety of the above that is a treasure indeed. A single plant spreads until it covers a space a foot or more in diameter with a perfect mat of green and white, and it is in bloom from spring till fall and is densely covered with heads of white flowers of larger size than the old variety. It produces an *incredible amount* of bloom, *six hundred spikes of flowers* having been counted in bloom at once on one plant. Per pkt., 4c.

Saxatile Compactum. Known as "Gold Dust." It is a compact growing hardy perennial, ten inches in height, bearing numbers of bright golden yellow flowers. Per pkt., 4c.

Agrostemma.

Cœli Rosa. A pretty annual known as the Rose of Heaven, growing about twelve inches high, producing pretty, delicately tinted flowers like single Pinks upon stiff stems. Sow where the plants are to bloom. Per pkt., 3c.

Ageratum.

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Tom Thumb. A valuable plant for beds, borders, or color effect, where blue is so scarce. It is fine for cut flowers, the brush-like clusters making a pretty setting for bolder flowers. If sown early it will bloom all summer, and August sown seed will make fine winter-blooming plants. This Tom Thumb variety is very dwarf and compact growing only six inches in height and flowering profusely. Blue and white mixed. Per pkt., 3c.

Amaranthus.

Rich and brilliant foliage plants, exceedingly ornamental and showy, bearing long and curious racemes of flowers. They are of such rapid growth and easy culture that they deserve to be widely grown.

Gibbosus. A strong grower with long drooping panicles of deep purplish red flowers *sometimes two and a half feet in length*, hanging down almost to the ground. Per pkt., 3c.

Splendens. The "Rainbow Plant," as it is well named. The inner leaves deep bronze, almost black, and tipped with green, while the outer foliage, exposed to the sun, is of a most intense glowing scarlet-crimson, and shining gold. It makes a grand display, especially toward autumn. Per pkt., 4c.

Anchusa.

Capensis. An easily grown plant, making itself at home without ceremony, and bearing numbers of bright blue forget-me-not-like flowers. The scarcity of blue flowers makes it most desirable. Grows about eighteen inches high. Per pkt., 4c.

Antirrhinum.

Snap Dragon.

An old, but strictly first-class plant that produces abundantly until frost large spikes of beautiful flowers in many colors. It is a hardy plant, and will bloom the first year if sown early, and still better the second. The "Snap Dragon" of to-day must not be confused with that of years ago, with its few dull colors. It now presents a wealth of rich and brilliant coloring; deep blood reds and crimsons, dainty sulphur yellows, and creamy whites, besides striped and speckled and spotted flowers in great variety. The children love to make the "Dragons" open their mouths, by pressing on the sides of the flowers.

Antirrhinum Majus. Tall varieties, many colors mixed. Per pkt. 3

Antirrhinum, Tom Thumb. Dwarf, compact grower, forming plants about eight inches high, thickly studded with large spikes of scarlet, orange, yellow, white, maroon and striped flowers. Per pkt., 4c.

Argemone.

Grandiflora. A native of Mexico, this hardy annual is a remarkably effective garden plant. It belongs to the Poppy family, and is known as the Prickly Poppy, from the sharp points with which the edges of its pale blue-green leaves are armed. Its very large flowers are of snowy whiteness with a great bunch of golden stamens in the center, the petals having the appearance of white tissue paper, while being crimped and waved in a graceful manner, making it a truly beautiful flower, made conspicuous by its large size. It grows two feet or more in height, and when once planted, comes up each year from self-sown seed if in a cultivated border. You will be delighted with your first sight of it. Per pkt., 4c.

Aquilegia.

Columbine.

The well known Columbine is a permanent addition to the border when once introduced, being as hardy as an oak, and withal very handsome, growing from one to three feet high. It is of the easiest cultivation and bears a profusion of large flowers, of novel shape and a variety of colors.

Double Mixed. Many sorts. Per pkt. 5

Bryonia.

Laciniosa.

A very pretty climber, growing rapidly, and quickly covering a trellis or other support with its beautiful, finely-cut foliage. It is of easy culture, and bears very attractive flowers about an inch in diameter, which are at first of a light green, afterward changing to bright scarlet striped with white. Per pkt., 4c.

Bidens Atrosanguinea.

Dahlia Zimapani.

This plant, which is also known as the miniature Black Dahlia, grows only from nine to twelve inches high, forming a neat clump of very graceful foliage, high above which, upon long stems, are borne numbers of small, Dahlia-like flowers, of velvety surface, and of such a dark, blood-red color that they appear almost black. It is a very pretty plant, and very desirable in every way. Per pkt. 8c.

Browallia.

Elata.

Handsome plants with shining green foliage, growing about a foot and a half in height, and bearing in almost endless numbers dainty blue blossoms that seem to reflect the color of the sky above them. Others are white, and the two make a pretty contrast when planted in masses side by side. They are also excellently adapted for winter blooming, seeming at home in rooms where even Geraniums do not do well. Per pkt., 8c.

Our Endeavor—to Please every Customer.

Aster. Pæony-Flowered.

ASTER.

Before the day of the Chrysanthemum the Aster was the acknowledged Queen of Autumn. Scarcely any flower has had more care and attention paid to it, or is grown more largely. Its profusion of large double flowers in many tints of purple, crimson, pink and white come in good play in the late summer months, when the earlier flowers are gone, and they continue all through the autumn until frost cuts them off. They are fine for either beds or borders, and make splendid pot plants. Seeds may be sown early in the spring in the house, or a cold frame, and transplanted, or sown later in the open border. Try some each way, and get a succession of bloom. I have selected, from scores of varieties, seven very choice sorts.

Cocardeau, or Crown. The two-colored Aster; the center petals being pure white, rather small and sometimes quilled, while the large flat ones that surround them are of bright, rich colors, contrasting in an odd and charming manner. Many colors, mixed. Per pkt., 8c.

COMET. A very distinct and handsome new variety. The flowers are very large, from three and a half to four and a half inches in diameter, while the petals are waved and twisted like a Japanese Chrysanthemum, sometimes in solid tints, and again edged with a contrasting color. I offer a fine mixture of the following colors: rose; clear carmine; giant white; pale lilac; and lilac, pink and bright light blue bordered with white. Per pkt., 10c.

Dwarf Bouquet. (Boltze's). A beautiful variety, very dwarf, only six or eight inches high, and completely covered with bright flowers until it looks less like a plant than a bouquet stuck in the ground. Splendid for edging a bed of the taller sorts. Fourteen different colors mixed. Per pkt., 8c.

German Quilled. A very distinct class with petals rolled up like quills. Plants strong growers, freely branching, and profuse bloomers. The flowers of this sort are noted for the beautiful clearness of their colors. Fine mixture, all colors. Per pkt., 3c.

Harlequin. There is scarcely a more oddly marked flower grown. It is a medium grower, bearing large double flowers of purest white, with deep blue or bright red petals irregularly scattered among the white, splashing the snowy surface in an odd and beautiful manner. Very attractive. Per Pkt., 8c.

Aster. Victoria.

Truffants Pæony-Flowered Perfection. A standard variety, perfect in form, and deservedly one of the most popular sorts grown. It grows from eighteen to twenty four inches high and bears an enormous quantity of flowers of the largest size, of true Pæony form, with long, beautifully incurved petals. The mixture I offer is a superb one, containing nearly thirty different colors, including Snow White, Darkest Blue, Glowing Dark Crimson, Blood Red, Carmine, Rose, Light Blue, Scarlet and White, Rose and White, Crimson and White, Blue and White, and many other colors. Per pkt., 8c.

Victoria. One of the finest Asters. The very large flowers are composed of broad, flat, reflexed petals, and ten to twenty may be counted on one of the pyramidal plants, that grow to a height of about two feet. Over twenty colors in fine mixture. Per pkt., 6c.

Brachycome.

Iberidifolia.

The Swan River Daisy, as this pretty Cineraria-like flower is commonly called, is a very desirable low-growing annual, of about eight inches in height. It is very fine for edgings, producing a profusion of single daisy-like flowers of white and blue, whose charming grace and simplicity will win your heart. Per pkt., 3c.

QUALITY and SATISFACTION, rather than Quantity.

BALSAM.

The Balsam of to-day would be a revelation to those who years ago cultivated the single "Touch-me-not" in their gardens, had they not watched its development from that very ordinary flower into the superb Camellia-like flowers we now see, so perfectly double as to excel the finest roses, and to feel weighty to the hand. The profusion with which a well-tended plant will open its magnificent flowers is simply wonderful, some having claimed to have counted 500 flowers open at once upon one plant. Such a display, however is not produced by simply sowing the seed, and then leaving the plants to shift for themselves.

The Balsam, being a native of India, likes plenty of sun and warmth. Sow seeds in the house or some sheltered spot in the garden. In the latter case, wait until the ground has become warm. When an inch or two high, transplant the seedlings sufficiently far apart to allow plenty of light and air, and when about 4 inches high, transplant again, leaving a small ball of soil attached to the roots. If this is done carefully, they will scarcely notice the change. Set them a foot apart, in good rich soil, and they will make beautiful pyramidal plants. If they grow too tall, pinch them back; water them occasionally in dry weather, and your bed will be a thing of beauty, and a joy for the summer. Above all, buy the very best seed that can be obtained—it pays to do this with all kinds of flowers.

Balsam, Good Mixed. This is not the common cheap seed that is usually offered in ordinary mixtures, but a good mixture of the Camellia-flowered type. Per pkt., 3c.

Superb Camellia-Flowered. While the preceding is a very good mixture, I would recommend this Superb strain to those who wish something really fine. For large size and perfect form, richness and delicacy of colors, it is difficult to imagine anything superior. The flowers are densely double, of waxy texture and great size, often over two inches in diameter, while the habit of the plants is

perfection itself, forming with proper culture great pyramids of bloom. This splendid mixture is carefully prepared from the following and many other colors: Snow White, Delicate Lilac, Purple and White spotted, Brilliant Garnet-red, Rose Pink, Brilliant Scarlet, Rich Crimson, and Pale Yellow. Per pkt., 6 cents.

Light Lemon. An exceedingly delicate shade of light sulphur or Lemon; the nearest approach to a real yellow in a Balsam. Very large, and double as a rose. An unusually beautiful flower. Per pkt., 6c.

Scarlet Spotted. A bright, shining Scarlet spotted White; one of the most brilliant and perfectly double of all the spotted Balsams. Per pkt., 6 cts.

Splendens. This new Balsam is a grand addition to our summer flowering plants; its Crimson-scarlet color is intensely brilliant, even the stalks of the plant sharing in it. This plant will surpass the brightest Scarlet Geranium in its flaming color, and it is difficult to imagine anything more brilliant than a bed of it. Per pkt., 8 cts.

Cacalia.

A very odd and pretty summer garden plant, known as Tassel Flower, and Floras Paint Brush, fine for cutting. Various colors mixed. Per pkt., 3 cents.

Clarkia.

Very free flowering annuals of exceedingly odd shapes. I offer a mixture of double and single varieties in many shades of pink, blush, white, etc. Give them a partially shaded situation. Per pkt., 3 cents.

Celosia, Fire Feathered.

Celosia.

Interesting and brilliant annuals readily grown from seed. Few plants of so easy culture make a brighter display. It is well to start them early when possible, and transplant them into the open ground in May, although the former is by no means necessary.

Fire-Feathered. The plant grows about 3 feet high, putting forth 30 or 40 branches, each one tipped with a feathery flower-head of intense glowing orange-scarlet. Exceedingly bright and effective. Per pkt., 4 cts.

Gold-Feathered. A counterpart of the preceding, excepting the color of the flower heads, which are a bright, rich golden-orange color. A bed composed half of each of these two sorts is a gorgeous sight in late summer and autumn. Per pkt., 4 cts.

Queen of Dwarfs. A most beautiful new sort. Eight inches in height; enormous heads ten or twelve inches across. Rich crimson color. 8 cts.

Cristata. Fine mixed, dwarf sorts. Pkt., 8 cts.

We AIM to do MORE than We CLAIM.

Campanula.

This family contains quite a number of our most useful garden plants, mostly biennials and perennials, the best known of which are the Medium varieties, known as Canterbury Bells. There are double varieties, but the single are generally considered more graceful, as it is conceded that doubling never improves a bell-shaped flower.

Medium. The "Canterbury Bells," so often spoken of, and yet so seldom seen. They are biennials, flowering in May of the second season, even if planted as late as July or August of the preceding year. Most people consider it too tedious to plant seed one season and wait for them to bloom the next, but the regal beauty of a bed of these grand garden flowers is enough to pay for three years' waiting. They grow from two, to two and a half feet in height, and each branch is literally covered with great, drooping bell-shaped flowers, often two inches or more in diameter, in delicate shades of blue, pink, flesh and white, and borne in such wonderful profusion as to completely cover the plant, making it a great pyramid of bloom. A large bed of these, such as was shown on the Wooded Island at the World's Fair, with a depth of bloom of nearly 2 feet, is a sight never to be forgotten. The engraving presented herewith may appear to be exaggerated, but it is only a fair representation of a good specimen plant.

Medium, Single. Purple, lavender, pink, blush and whitened. Per pkt., 3c.

Medium Double. Same colors as above. Per pkt., 3c.

Medium, Calycanthema. This section has a very large calyx, resembling a saucer, thus suggesting the name, "Cup and Saucer." Per pkt., 5c.

The above three varieties may be had in good strong plants for immediate effect. See Plant Depart.
Pyramidalis. A grand hardy perennial variety growing 5 ft. high. Per pkt., 5c.

Canterbury Bells.

Calliopsis.

This plant, also called Coreopsis, embraces a number of our brightest and showiest flowering plants. They require practically no care, simply sow out of doors as early as possible, and thin to 6 inches apart. They will succeed in almost any situation, growing with great rapidity, and soon becoming masses of bloom. A bed of these brilliant flowers makes a combination of maroon and gold scarcely equalled by any other plant. It is difficult to imagine anything more showy, and the long stems make them most excellent for cutting. This is distinctively a flower for busy people.

Tall varieties, mixed. Sorts growing a foot and a half or more in height, bearing innumerable flowers of every shade of yellow, orange, brown, and crimson. Per pkt., 3c.

Dwarf Compact. A fine, low-growing section, containing all the colors of the above, but much better adapted to bedding. Per pkt., 4c.

Golden Wave. (Drummondii). A wonderfully showy plant, almost a rival of the beautiful perennial variety, Lancelata. The bushy, compact plants are covered throughout the entire summer with bright golden yellow flowers two inches or more across, looking, as its name implies, like a wave of gold, as its rich blossoms are so numerous as to completely cover the plant, while the small brown centers are not conspicuous enough to detract from the

Calliopsis.

general effect. This is a plant of sterling worth, that is not out of place in any garden, and a bed of these on the lawn will be an agreeable change from the ever-present Geranium. Per pkt., 5c.

Calendula.

These plants derive their odd name from the word calendar, as they will bloom every month in the year. It is an excellent pot plant, producing its large double blooms throughout the winter even in very cold rooms, while it will bloom continuously in open ground until frost. They have been greatly improved of late years, and their exceedingly easy culture and good natured manner of displaying their good qualities under great disadvantages make them indispensable in the garden.

Double Mixed. A first-class mixture of good varieties. Per pkt., 3c.

Meteor. Perfectly double, two distinct shades of yellow defined, the center of each petal being a rich cream, and the edges orange. A very free bloomer. Per pkt., 4c.

Prince of Orange. Very large flowers, pale straw color, striped with rich and brilliant orange. A beautiful flower. Per pkt., 5c.

Oriole. (See novelties). Per pkt., 10c.

Candytuft.

A fine edging plant, flowering profusely the whole season. It is also good for cut flowers. Sow the seed in rich soil where the plants are to bloom. The finest effect is produced by growing them in masses.

Mixed. Various shades of red, pink and white. Pkt., 3c.

Empress. This is a magnificent new variety of large size and free growth, reaching eighteen inches in height, and producing gigantic trusses of flowers five to eight inches in length. To have this sort at its best it should be started under glass or in boxes in the house in March. By all odds the finest variety in cultivation. Per pkt., 8c.

Cannas.

Cannas have almost at once become one of the most popular bedding plants, scarce excepting the Geraniums; for while their recent introduction has not as yet allowed them time to become so widely scattered, they have only to be seen to become at once a prime favorite. And no wonder, for here, in one plant, we find most luxuriant tropical foliage, and large showy flowers, exceeded in brilliancy and richness by no other sort, and continually in bloom from early summer until cut down by frost. I think they are destined ere long to become, without exception, the most popular of all bedding plants. They are readily grown from seed, though there is no assurance that the seedlings will be like the parents, so it is by far the better way when it can be afforded to buy the plants. The seed which I offer, however, is selected from the very finest named varieties, and consequently is very expensive. Ordinary Canna seed may be bought much cheaper, but it is not worth one's time to when really fine seed can be procured at any price. Fill the seeds at one end or pour almost scalding water upon them before planting. Do not set out doors until late in May. They want sun and water. Per pkt., 10c.

CANNAS.

NOTICE

NORTHFIELD, VT., April 25, '95.

I am much pleased with all the plants and seeds received from you; seeds are up and growing well.

LIZZIE M. KNAPP.

FARMINGTON, ILL., April 1, '95.

I received the box of bulbs and plants ordered of you, this morning, and was both surprised and delighted. The bulbs were extra large and fine, and the numbers of extras were very choice, and all were in excellent condition.

MRS. L. A. FAWCETT COE.

ORWELL, N. Y., June 7, '95.

I have just received package of seeds, and am so much obliged for the very generous gifts of extras.

LODEMA FISHER.

DETROIT, MICH., Oct., 8, '95.

I know a good bulb when I see it, and these in the box sent by you, and received this morning, "fill the bill."

ANNA LYMAN.

PORTLAND, OREGON, July 8, '95.

The uniform courtesy and prompt attention shown to my orders has been a source of satisfaction, while your liberality, as shown in the large amount of "extras" given with each order, has been a matter of surprise.

V. A. HUMPHREY.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Oct., 28, '95.

It gives me a pleasure to acknowledge the worth of your stock.

E. ASH.

Our aim is to Please YOU. Poor Seeds Won't do That.

CARNATION MARGUERITE.

No more important novelty in flower seeds has appeared in many years. It is a Carnation that can be raised from seed as readily as an ordinary Pink, blooming in 3 or 4 months from the time it is sown. It is dwarf, a perpetual bloomer, and a large proportion of the plants from the seed will come very double. The plants grow readily in almost any soil, either light or heavy, flowers never burst the calyx, and a packet of seed will produce an endless variety of colors and markings; white, bluish, pink, red, scarlet, purple, spotted, striped and flaked, in colors both rich and delicate. The plants continue blooming until checked by frost, when they can be potted and taken indoors where they will bloom profusely through the winter. Sown early under glass or in the house. Finest mixed varieties, per pkt., 6c.

Cobæa Scandens.

Cobæa

SCANDENS.

An elegant and rapid-growing climber, growing to the height of 30 feet, and bearing many large bell-shaped flowers. Of easy culture, but seeds rot if kept too damp. It is best to plant them on edge rather than flat. Per pkt., 6c.

Chrysanthemum.

The summer Chrysanthemums are a free-blooming section, of easy culture, and free-blooming qualities that bespeak for them great popularity. They are annual plants, growing from 12 to 18 inches in height; with finely cut, often fern-like foliage, bearing a profusion of flowers of bright and contrasting colors that are very fine for bouquet making. The coloring often appears in zones, and its intensity has made for them the name of "Painted Daisies."

Tricolor. Single varieties mixed, composed of such sorts as the Sultan, Beaconsfield, Eclipse, Fascination, etc. Per pkt., 3c.

Coronarium. Double varieties in fine mixture. Per pkt., 3c.

Inodorum Plenissimum. A dwarf, free-flowering variety, producing hundreds of beautiful perfectly double flowers of snowy whiteness. While this variety is a perennial, it flowers freely the first year from seed. It is splendid for pot culture. Per pkt., 3c.

Inodorum Plenissimum.

We Guarantee the Safe Arrival of all Goods.

COSMOS.

A plant from Mexico, known for many years, but really introduced to the mass of flower lovers only a few years ago, since which time it has become immensely popular, and now stands with the Dahlia and Chrysanthemum as one of the three most popular fall flowers. It is very easily raised from seed, and grows rapidly, making large bushes 5 or 6 feet in height, which are a mass of beautiful fern-like foliage. From the first of September until frost the plants are covered with hundreds of large daisy-like flowers of crimson, pink and white, often 3 inches in diameter, and excelled by no flower that grows for airy grace. Their long stiff stems make them excellent for cutting; and as a cottage flower they are great favorites. They can not be dispensed with for autumn blooming.

Hybridus, white, rose, and crimson mixed. Per pkt., 5c.

Centaurea.

The well known Corn Flower, also known as Blue Bottle, and Bachelor's Button. One of the real old-fashioned garden flowers, growing two or three feet in height, and producing brightly colored flowers in profusion. Hardy perennials of the easiest growth, succeeding in almost any situation, and excellent for cutting.

Centaurea Cyanus. Single, many colors mixed; light and dark blue, purple, rose, pink, white, etc. Per pkt., 3cts.

New Double. This seed has been so far perfected that fully four-fifths of the flowers come double or semi-double. They are larger and brighter colored than the single ones. Per pkt., 5c.

Delphinium.

The Annual varieties of this pretty plant are generally known as Larkspurs; they are very hardy and free-blooming, and should be sown very early, and when once sown will come up each year from self-sown seed, so that they possess all the advantages of a perennial.

Dwarf Rocket. Hyacinth-like spikes of purple, blue, pink and white double flowers; a pretty edging plant. Per pkt., 3cts.

Emperor. Superb; sometimes bearing over fifty erect spikes of brilliant flowers at once. Per pkt., 6cts.

Fornosum. Rich, bright blue flowers of large size borne freely in the late spring. One of the best hardy perennials. Per pkt., 5cts.

Datura.

Tender Perennials whose roots may be taken up and kept like Dahlias; they bloom early the same season the seed is sown.

Wrightii. Flowers pure white, tinted lavender outside, eight to ten inches long and half as wide, possessing a fragrance richer and more delicious than Magnolia Grandiflora, and almost as rich as a Gardenia. It produces flowers larger and ten times as fragrant as a Harriett Lily, and hundreds of them from a five cent packet of seed. Per pkt., 5cts.

Choice Mixed. Single and double, white and golden yellow. Per pkt., 5cts.

Cornucopia. A superb new variety from South America with shining brown-purple stems and enormous funnel shaped flowers a foot in length, with daring rims from four to six inches in diameter. The corollas stand within one another, and are white within, and shaded and spotted purple without. Start the seed early indoors, and plant out after the weather has become settled and warm. Pkt., 10c.

Dahlia.

Every one knows the Dahlia, and there is no occasion to go into any description of it here. All that I wish to say is that these grand flowers can be raised from seed as easily as a Zinnia or Poppy. Sow the seed in the house in March or April, and transplant to open ground as soon as danger of frost is past. The plants are very easily transplanted, and treated in this manner will bloom as early as those grown from tubers. All they want is good soil, plenty of water, and a fair amount of sunlight, and they will give you a magnificent display of the brightest colors by August. Seeds sown out of doors later in the season will not bloom until September. The seed I offer is the very choicest, and will produce flowers of the brightest colors and largest sizes. Of course, every seed of the double varieties will not produce double flowers, but a very large proportion will, and you may raise some splendid new varieties. Do not fail to try raising Dahlias from seed, or you will never know the pleasure there is in watching them come into bloom.

Large Flowering Double Mixed. Many colors of large double flowers. Per pkt., 4c.

Extra Choice Large Flowering Double. This is a very expensive strain of seed selected from extra specimen flowers, and is cheap at the price offered. Per pkt., 10c.

Superb Single Dahlias. These are most easily raised from seed, and if planted in good rich soil in a sunny position, will flower from July until October. They are very fine for cutting, and are becoming more popular every year. This is not the ordinary single mixture, but the finest to be obtained. Per pkt., 6c.

New Striped Single. Dahlia Gracilis. This strain bears very large single flowers often 4 inches in diameter, striped spotted, diked and dotted in a charming manner with a great variety of rich and beautiful colors, some of which are exquisitely delicate. You will be delighted with them. Per pkt., 6c.

New Tom Thumb Dahlias. See novelties. Per pkt., 10c.

Convolvulus Major.

The Morning Glory is the best all-around climber we have, and the most popular. The improved sorts are of wonderfully rich and delicate shades of crimson, purple, pink, blue and white. Per pkt., 3cts.

Striped Varieties. Mix 1. Per pkt., 3cts.

Convolvulus Minor.

A dwarf, bushy Morning Glory, forming clumps two feet in diameter, making a perfect mat if planted eighteen inches apart. The flowers are richly striped and marked with blue, white and yellow. Per pkt., 3cts.

Cypress Vine.

Iponoea Quamo It. An exquisitely delicate, feathery climber with very fine-cut, airy, fern-like vines that with rich soil grows to a height of fifty or sixty feet, and bears myriads of white, pink or lavender colored flowers. A beautiful vine is produced by sowing the seed in a circle, and training the vines on strings to the top of a pole in the center, making a ring of green, sprinkled with scarlet and white flowers. Mixed Colors. Per pkt., 3cts.

Our Seeds are not Poor, if They ARE Sold Cheap.

DIANTHUS.

THE many varieties of the garden Pink are favorites with everybody, and are seen everywhere; all they need is to be planted, and they will do the rest. They appear to know how to get along in any situation, and can take care of themselves through heat and cold, wet weather or dry. The family consists of a great many members differing in form and size, but they are

all possessed of the same superbly rich and beautiful coloring. Where else do you find such rich and velvety black-maroons and crimsons, deep purple-browns, and fiery scarlets, sharply marked and defined upon grounds of pure white, cream and pink. Sometimes the tips of the petals of great double white flowers appear to have been dipped in almost black dye. It is a flower that will grace the most pretentious grounds, and seem just as much in place in the poorest garden spot. They are exceptionally fine for cut flowers. It pays always to buy

the best seed to be had. Out of scores of varieties I offer a selection of nine sorts besides one grand mixture.

Chinensis. (Double Chinese Pinks). Clusters of small double flowers, many colors mixed. Per Pkt., 3c.

Diadematus fl. pl. These "Crown" Pinks are marked like the original Chinese Pinks, in the richest, darkest shades, fringed, striped, flaked and edged in a fantastic and attractive manner. The large flowers are very double, and magnificent in color and variety. Per pkt., 4c.

Heddewigii. Finest single mixed. The splendid large single flowers of this variety are often 3 inches in diameter, with a light ground, striped and banded with darker colors in a very attractive manner. Per pkt., 4c.

Heddewigii fl. pl. Same marking as the preceding, but the flowers are large, full and double. Fine mixture of many colors and markings. Per pkt., 4c.

Mourning Cloak. A magnificent new variety of a wonderfully rich color. The very large double flowers are of a velvety maroon-purple, almost black, while each fringed petal is sharply edged with snowy white. A striking flower, and fine for pot plants. Per pkt., 5c.

The Bride. A wonderfully handsome single variety of a pure white color, with a very deep crimson center, surrounded by a darker zone. Per pkt., 6 cts.

Dwarf Fireball. This variety is of a true, compact habit, and a very free bloomer, producing bright, deep red flowers, perfectly double and lacinated and is the most brilliant Pink known. Bloom continually till frost. Per pkt., 6 cts.

Dwarf Snowball. A counterpart to Dwarf Fireball, but pure white in color. Plant them side by side. Per pkt., 6 cts., 3 for 15 cts.

Laciniatus. These "Fringed Pinks" are very large, sometimes 3 inches in diameter, deeply cut and lacinated, and richly and beautifully colored. Per pkt., 3c.

Laciniatus fl. pl. Very large, magnificent flowers, perfectly double and deeply serrated. Fine mixture of many colors. Per pkt., 5c.

Eastern Queen. A single flower on the Laciniatus style, sometimes almost four inches across, of an exquisite rose color, beautifully shaded and striped deeper. The colors are like the richest silks. Per pkt., 5c.

Superb Mixed. Of all the above splendid varieties, I place it in competition with any other strain offered, no matter by whom. It contains the brightest colors, the oddest variegations, the most handsomely fringed flowers in cultivation; scarcely two plants will be alike when in bloom. Per pkt. 5 cents.

LUDINGTON, MICH., May 20, 1895.

I am more than satisfied. It was a small order, but I never derived so much real pleasure from one before, because in the whole list there was not a single disappointment. Every plant was all the catalogue depicted it, at least, and generally more.

(JUDGE) JAMES B. McMAHON.

WASHINGTON, CONN., Sept., 30, 1895.

The seeds you sent me last Spring all were first-rate. A neighbor says yours were the best she had, and she had from several different places.

MRS. E. CASTLE.

Don't Forget to Sign Your Name, Post-office and State.

Eschscholtzia.

The California Poppy is one of the best and most showy annuals, forming tufts of a peculiar grayish-green foliage a foot in height, thickly covered with golden-yellow and orange flowers that fairly glow with color in the sunlight. Splendid for beds or borders, blooming in the greatest profusion, and fine for pots in the winter.

Mixed Colors. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Dolichos.

The Hyacinth Bean is a well-known climber that makes a rapid growth, and forms a dense screen covered with many spikes of Wisteria-like flowers.

Dolichos, Lablab. Purple and white sorts mixed. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Dolichos, New Yellow. A fine novelty. Per pkt., 8 cts.

Gaillardia.

These long neglected "Blanket Flowers" are once again becoming popular. They bloom freely the first summer, thrive anywhere with the least attention, and produce flowers of magnificent size, fine form and pleasing colors richly blended.

Amblyodon. Clear, bright red. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Aurora Borealis. Crimson, white and gold; fine. Per pkt.....4 cts.

Sun Kissed. Salmon-red, edged bright orange. Per pkt.....4 cts.

Picta Lorenziana. A double sort made, not by doubling the petals, but by the small central florets becoming enlarged and Lily-shaped. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Many Colors Mixed. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Single Sorts Mixed. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Eulalia.

A perfectly hardy grass, growing six or seven feet high, and producing feathery, ostrich-like plumes. A very satisfactory japonica.

Eulalia Japonica Zebrina. The leaves banded broadly crosswise with yellow. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Erianthus Ravennæ.

The finest of all hardy grasses, growing twelve feet high, and perfectly hardy. A clump composed of say a dozen plants, the tall stems surmounted with great feathery plumes makes a wonderfully striking and attractive object. (See cut at bottom of this page.)

Forget-me-not. (See Myosotis.)

Gynerium Argenteum.

The beautiful Pampas Grass that produces the plumes so much sought after. Grows twelve feet high, and is the finest of all grasses, but in the North must be wintered over in pots the first season. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Gilia.

A Hardy Annual, delicate in leaf and flower. Good for beds or rockeries.

Various Colors Mixed. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Gaura lindheimeri.

An elegant branching species, bearing many spikes of delicate, rosy-white flowers. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Godetia.

This is a beautiful flower, the coloring being particularly delicate, and the surface shining like satin. The fact that it will grow in shady places, where few flowers will thrive, makes it very useful. In fact, it is much more apt to succeed in such a situation than in the full sun. It is a profuse bloomer and the many large, saucer-shaped flowers almost hide the foliage.

Bijou. A neat dwarf variety growing only six inches in height, forming carpet-like bushes a foot or more in diameter, litrally covered with snowy-white flowers, with a bright red blotch in the center. Sometimes two hundred to three hundred flowers may be counted upon a plant at one time. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Lady Satin Rose. A beautiful brilliant crimson-rose, the surface shining like satin. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Lady Albemarle. Compact plant covered with very large flowers of a brilliant dark crimson. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Mixed. Fine mixture of many varieties. Per pkt., 3 cts.

Geraniums.

This most popular of all bedding plants can be raised from seed with perfect ease, and new sorts obtained.

Good Mixed. Per pkt.....8 cts.

Extra Choice Mixed. Saved from finest sorts, which may produce some charming new varieties. Per pkt., 15 cts.

Gypsophila.

A mass of the leaves and branches, supporting mist-like sprays of star-shaped flowers, and giving a flush to a bouquet that exceeds anything else with.

Elegans. Hardy annuals; height 6 inches. White and rose mixed. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Pandulata. Philly's Breath. Very large and white. Per pkt.....5 cts.

GLADIOLUS.

This splendid bulbous plant is very readily grown from seed, blooming the third year. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Try us for your seeds this year.—We Want to please you.

A Stalk of Handsome Hollyhocks.

Heliotrope.

Who does not love the delightful fragrance of this old-fashioned flower? So heavy and rich, and yet so delicate. Did you know that they could be raised from seed as easily as the Pansy? Even if the seed is sown in the open ground the plants will bloom in August, while if it be planted early in the house, and the plants set out as soon as the weather will permit, you may, for a few cents, have a large bed of these flowers, exalting their rich perfume through the whole summer. Per pkt.....6c.

Helianthus.

The Sunflower makes about as bold a background as any plant we cultivate. As to culture, they don't require any in particular. Just put the seeds where you want them, and you will have the plants without any further trouble.

Globosus Fistulosus. The true double variety. Pkt., 3c.

Miniature Sunflower. (*Helianthus Cucumerifolius*.) This dwarf variety grows only about three feet high bearing hundreds of small orange-colored flowers, very rich and bright in coloring. Per pkt.....5c.

Silver Leaved Sunflower. (*Helianthus Argyrophyllus*.) This is really a beautiful plant, growing five or six feet in height, with leaves of a shining silver color. The rays of the flower are very long, and of an exceedingly clear and bright primrose color. Per pkt.....5c.

Primrose. Large; light primrose color. Per pkt.....5c.

Hollyhock.

No double flower has been brought to greater perfection than this, largely through the efforts of Mr. Chater. And if our grandmothers of a hundred years ago could come back now, they would not recognize the friends that graced their gardens then in the magnificent plants of today, growing from four to six feet in height, and holding aloft great spikes of heavy flowers three or four inches in diameter, ranging in color from almost black through every shade of crimson, rose, pink, delicate blush, pale lemon and lavender, to flowers of snowy whiteness and pearly lustre. They are superb for floral work and designs of every character. While they do not ordinarily bloom until the second year, if started very early they will often bloom in September the first season. Seed sown late in July will make strong plants for blooming the following June. There is no plant finer for background purposes, or for planting in clumps in the corners of large grounds.

Fine Mixed. Large and double, many colors. Per pkt., 4c.

Chater's Superb Double. This is the finest strain of Hollyhocks ever grown—with the exception of the selected seed of the same strain offered below. Flowers almost as beautiful and perfect as a Camellia, densely crowded around spikes two or three feet in length, and embracing every distinct color and shade known in Hollyhocks. Per pkt.....6c.

Chater's Superb Double, SELECTED. This is a careful selection of the finest and most double sorts from Chater's own seed, and is far better and more expensive than the regular Chater's mixture. Per pkt.....10c.

Iris Kæmpferi.

It is not generally known how easily this grand hardy plant may be raised from seed. As in the case of the *Gladolus*, the period of waiting is more than compensated for by the pleasure derived from watching the seedlings open for the first time, each one a new revelation of beauty.

Kæmpferi. The finest of all Iris. Perfectly hardy, with flowers of pure white, and every shade of blue and purple. Per pkt.....8c.

Linaria.

A very beautiful and attractive hardy annual, bearing numerous heads of handsome purple flowers closely resembling the Snapdragon. It is of easy culture, and its distinct appearance makes it very desirable.

Bipartita Splendida. Per pkt.....3c.

Lupinus.

The Lupines are a class of well-known hardy annuals, growing from a foot to a foot and a half in height, and producing innumerable spikes of variously colored flowers, like pea blossoms.

Mixture of all annual varieties. Per pkt.....3c.

Subarnosus. A newly introduced variety from Texas that is a real acquisition. It thickly covers the ground with a carpet of bright green foliage, prettily cut. Above this are borne lovely spikes of deep, rich sea-blue flowers, on stems six to eight inches high. Besides its beauty of form and color, it is delicately fragrant. Did you ever see anything like it? Per pkt.....5c.

Rock City, Ill., Nov. 16, 1894.
The plants came all right, and I was simply astonished. Such a dose I never got before for one dollar.

Mrs. Serena Knauss.

All our Seeds are TESTED, before sent out.

A Luxuriant Ipomœa.

Ipomœa.

Our most showy and rapid growing summer climbers, most of them bearing large Morning Glory-like flowers in every shade of purple, crimson, pink, blue and white, some of them of great size, while the surfaces glisten with a satiny sheen. They are among the prettiest of all vines for covering trellises, pillars, etc., with their multitude of large and often fragrant flowers opening in the morning, and remaining open until nearly noon, while some of them, like the well-known Moon Flower, open in the evening, and close the following morning. The flowers vary in form in the different varieties, some being quite round, others star-shaped, and still others beautifully scalloped, while the leaves vary from the ordinary heart-shape, to palmated and oak-leaved forms.

Choice Mixture of many varieties. Per pkt., ... 3c.
Moonflower, Ipomœa Grandiflora Hybrida. New cross-bred or Hybrid variety. There are several sorts of White Moonflowers in cultivation, of which seed may be obtained, but most sorts, unless the seeds be started very early, scarcely get to blooming well in the Northern States until cut down by frost. This new variety is of great value to the north, as it is in bloom fully one month earlier from seed than other sorts. The flowers are borne in great numbers, and are pure white in color, and from four to six inches in diameter. The leaves also are very interesting, as they are of three distinct shapes. Per pkt., 3c., three for 20c.

Moonflower.

Linum.

Flowering Flax.

The ordinary variety of flax, which is cultivated for its fibre, bears very pretty flowers of a delicate blue color, and there are a number of sorts producing more showy flowers that are grown for ornament among them the beautiful golden colored Linum Trigonum but the crimson variety is especially adapted to garden culture, from the ease with which it is grown, its brilliant crimson color, and not least from the profusion in which its flowers are borne, even with the most ordinary culture.

Grandiflorum Rubrum. (Crimson Flax). Per pkt., 3c.

Linum Rubrum.

Lobelia.

Lobelia.

somewhat flattened on the top, completely covered with flowers of an intense deep blue, whose richness of color is brought out more vividly by the pure white eye. It is beautiful as an edging for beds of low growing plants. Per pkt., ... 3c.

Pleasing, compact little plants specially adapted to bedding, edging or hanging baskets, forming beautiful clumps of fine foliage, that are literally covered with small flowers of deep, rich blue, or pure white. They are all most excellent for rockeries.

Erinus Varieties Mixed. Deep rich blue, dark blue and pure white. Per pkt., ... 3c.

Erinus Compacta Oculata. This is a very distinct new variety of this favorite border flower. Its growth is exceedingly symmetrical and compact, forming circular mounds,

CANNAS are what YOU want.

Mignonette.

The Mignonette is a universal favorite, its delightfully sweet fragrance winning its way to every heart, and accounting for its French name, which means Little Darling, a very appropriate name, as it makes friends by real worth alone and not by appearances. It is inconspicuous and unobtrusive, and a few sprays of it tucked away among brighter flowers add a double attractiveness to a bouquet. Sow quite early out of doors, in a sunny situation. If for winter blooming, keep them in a low temperature.

Reseda Odorata. Per ounce 15c per packet.....03c

Giant Pyramidal. This variety bears very fine, large, flowers, and is very compact in growth producing fine pyramids of bloom. Per packet.....04c

Golden Queen. A novelty of several years since, and exceedingly effective on account of its rich golden hue. It is of a dense pyramidal habit, and a fine variety in every respect. Per packet.....03c

Parson's White Tree. Probably the best of all whites; a free bloomer, and delicious in fragrance. Per packet.....04c

Quaker City. A splendid new variety that should be in every garden; the foliage is of a rich, dark green, and large numbers of flower spikes of great substance are produced continuously throughout the season. The spikes are very full, well rounded at the top, of a handsome golden red color, and possessed of a fragrance exceptionally rich and sweet. Per packet.....08c

Myosotis.

Forget-me-not.

This delicate and charming little flower, the synonym of faithfulness, succeeds best in a moist, sandy situation; and while they will do well in almost any soil they are especially suited for shady nooks, and unobtrusive spots and out of way

places. There is almost a touching beauty in their delicate pale blue faces, whose pure white eyes look into yours as if to ask if you are as true as they. They are almost as human as a Pansy, and there is a charm that is difficult to describe. They are very pretty for either cutting or wearing, and the plants are fine for blooming in pots. Their predilection for cool, shady places, causing them to feel at home, and freely bloom in shady windows where few plants will succeed.

Alpestris. Dwarf blue, free flowering. Per packet.....03c

Alpestris Alba. A pure white variety. Per packet.....04c

Palustris. The marsh Forget-me-not; small blue flowers. Per packet.....05c

Musa Ensete.

The Abyssinian Banana is perhaps the most magnificent of all tropical foliage plants that can be grown successfully at the North. It grows quickly from seed, and produces immense leaves, which upon old plants are many feet in length. Plant the seeds in February and transplant to rich ground late in May. Per pkt., of five seeds.....14 cts

lychnis.

These "Burning Stars" are hardy perennials, blooming the first year, if sown early, producing a grand display for many years with no further care.

Chalcedonica. Intensely brilliant scarlet. Per pkt., 4 cts.

Hangana Hybrida. Dwarf plants thickly covered with large flowers of white, rose, vermilion and other colors. Per pkt.....5 cts.

Malope.

A hardy annual eighteen inches in height, bearing large Hibiscus-like flowers of white, rose, red and intensely deep crimson. Per pkt.....4 cts.

Marigold.

A good, old-fashioned flower that is again justly lending its richness to our gardens. All the sorts are fine, and will do well with the least of attention.

French Double Dwarf. Fine compact habit, small, double flowers in dark, rich shades. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Eldorado, or Dahlia Flowered. A truly grand plant, bearing seventy-five to one hundred flowers at once, a mass of bloom, of primrose, bright lemon, golden yellow, or deep orange. Per pkt.....3 cts.

Lemon Queen. See Novelties.

Legion of Honor. See Novelties.

Mirabilis.

Few flowers will produce more bloom with less attention than the Marvel-of-Peru or "Four o'clock." The colors of improved new sorts are very rich and delicate. It makes a fine summer hedge. Fine mixed. Per pkt.....3 cts.

New Tom Thumb. Mixed. Very compact, foliage variegated with yellow. Fine colors. Per pkt.....4 cts.

Matricaria.

The Feverfew is a favorite border plant, blooming quickly from seed and bearing a profusion of double, white flowers like little Roses. Fine for pots. Per pkt., 3 cts.

NEMOPHILA.

A shade loving plant of dainty blue and white tints well called "Baby Eye." Sow early in a moist, shady spot. Per pkt.....3 cts.

NICOTIANA AFFINIS.

A fragrant flowering tobacco, diffusing a very rich odor as it opens in the evening. Fine for Winter-blooming. Per pkt.....4 cts.

NOLANA.

A hardy trailing annual with Morning-Glory-like flowers, standing heat like a Portulaca. Good for vases and baskets. Per pkt.....3 cts.

OXALIS.

Choice Mixed. Very fine and expensive grade of seed. Per pkt.....5 cts.

PERENNIAL PEA.

A vine of iron-clad constitution, blooming from June to October, and bearing magnificent clusters of flowers, larger than any Sweet Pea. Should be in every permanent garden. Mixed Colors. White, pink, rose, purple. Pkt., 5 cts.

Pure White. Superb. Per pkt.....8 cts.

Nasturtiums.

I AM almost tempted to say that there is no better plant among the whole list of annuals for general culture than the Nasturtiums. Not that they excel in any point every other annual but that they stand so near the top in everything required to make a flower popular. Nothing could be easier to grow—they merely have to be planted.

They do not require rich soil, in fact they bloom far better in poor ground; few things stand dry weather better, while the compact, dwarf habit, and great profusion in which the rich and intensely bright flowers are borne, leaves nothing to be desired. Besides all this, they begin to bloom early, and keep at it until the season is ended, are not troubled by insect pests, and get along in a sort of a don't care way that is very gratifying to their cultivator. There has been a wonderful improvement in the varieties of this useful flower during the past few years, and the blossoms, of all the different shades of yellow, orange and red are much larger and more brilliant than the old-fashioned sorts. When the soil is too rich the plants are inclined to run to leaves, so give them a comparatively

poor spot. All Nasturtiums are not dwarf; the climbing varieties are fully as beautiful and useful. The next following varieties are all of the dwarf section. If you wish them to bloom continuously throughout the season keep the seed pods well picked off.

Empress of India. A very fine variety, with leaves of a dark purplish color, contrasting richly with its brilliant, deeper crimson-scarlet flowers. Splendid for edging or foliage effects in bedding on account of its distinct color. Per packet.....05c

Golden King. Rich golden yellow, very fine. Per pkt.....05c
Lady Bird. Beautiful bright golden yellow flowers, barred and blotched with bright ruby crimson. Its attractive flowers are borne throughout the season. Per packet.....05c

Rose. A delicate shade, the nearest to a pink yet obtained. A distinct color. Per packet.....05c

Pearl. Pale straw color, delicate tint. Per packet.....05

Tom Thumb Varieties, mixed. Good mixture of many sorts. Per packet.....05c

Tom Thumb, Superb mixed. A splendid mixture of all the above and many other fine named varieties. It will certainly give you entire satisfaction. Per packet.....05c

Cloth of Gold. A splendid novelty of dwarf, compact growth, the foliage being of a clear bright yellow, so that the plant is very beautiful if it never bloomed; it bears numbers of deep scarlet flowers. This plant is excellent for bedding, and the contrast between it and the Empress of India when grown together is rich indeed. Per packet.....05c

One packet of each of the above six named varieties including Cloth of Gold for 30c.

Tall Nasturtiums.

This is the tall or climbing Nasturtium, and is one of the brightest, showiest and cleanest of our climbers; it grows to a height of 10 or 12 feet, and if the soil is not too rich will produce immense numbers of large brightly colored flowers, in many shades of yellow, orange, scarlet and crimson, often vividly blotched, striped and spotted. A beautiful bed is produced by pegging the long shoots down to the ground, when a dense mass of light green foliage will soon be formed which will be covered with flowers continuously until frost if not allowed to form seed. Insects do not trouble this plant, and its odd peltate leaves remain fresh and entire for a long time. There is a great variety in the color of the foliage as well as the flowers. The leaves of some are of an exceedingly light green, seemingly almost transparent, others are very rich green color, while still others are almost of a purplish tint. This is a plant I like to recommend, for it stands heat and drouth, and accommodates itself to its surroundings, and is withal such a bright and cheerful plant that it becomes a favorite with all who try it.

Fine Mixture, many sorts and colors. Per ounce 15c; per packet.....05c

Pansies.

Of all the flowers that are raised from seeds the Pansy is the most popular, appreciated and loved by every one who cares for flowers at all. And no wonder, for it seems almost human, looking at you out of its mild clear eyes, as if it wished to tell you secrets of truth and purity. Plant a bed of Pansies, and you have a hundred friends ready to greet you with bright, fresh faces every time you step their way, and exerting their influence to the utmost to soothe life's trials and drive cares from the mind. I don't blame people for loving them—I do myself. The cheerful Johnny-Jump-Up of bygone days has changed into a kingly personage, and put on robes of purple and gold, gorgeous to behold. Now he appears in robes of heavy richness, again he puts on a mourning cloak of black; then he appears as if arrayed for a wedding, and yet again in garments splashed and spotted with a dozen shades of color. In fact he seems exactly suited to fill any position in good society, and if you take him in the proper mood he is fit company for you upon any occasion.

The Pansy of to-day is a splendid florist's flower, and there are so many varieties offered that it is hard to tell what to choose. I have attempted very carefully to select distinct sorts that will please you in every respect, but if you want something really fine, try my Royal Prize mixture. To have good large flowers, the plants must make a rapid, vigorous growth. To induce this give them a very rich, moist loam, and sow the seed very early in the spring, in a situation somewhat shaded from the sun. If you wish large flowers in hot weather, you will have to supply them liberally with water. It would be better if the seed were sown earlier in the house, or in a hot-bed, then transplanted out of doors. Where the winters are not too cold, seed sown in September, and young plants wintered over in a cold frame, will produce many flowers during the winter, and make fine plants for early spring blooming. Those living in the South, can grow fine Pansies all through the winter by planting them in a sheltered place.

Gold Margined. Strikingly handsome flowers of blue and purple shades, richly edged with gold. Per pkt.....3c

King of the Blacks. Intensely dark flower of almost coal black, velvety surface. Per pkt.....3c

Pelargoniflora. A strain with fancy blotched markings resembling those in Pelargoniums. Per pkt.....5c

Prince Bismarck. Rich shades of brown and golden-bronze, beautifully marbled. Per pkt.....4c

Pure Yellow. Large golden yellow flowers very rich and effective, per pkt 4c

Rainbow Pansies. The lower petals mostly purple on a white or yellow ground, beautifully marbled and spotted, while the upper petals are sky-blue, edged with violet. Per pkt.....4c

Striped and mottled varieties. Exceedingly beautiful, many striking combinations— Per pkt.....4c

Snow Queen. Delicate flowers of purest white, glistening like satin, exceedingly beautiful. Per pkt.....5c

English "Face" Pansies. These are the Pansies that look as if they were alive. A very fine strain of this section, Per pkt.....8c

Mixed, good quality. A great many sorts of really fine flowers. Per pkt.....3c

Royal Prize mixture. I offer this superb strain with the greatest confidence, as one which will produce flowers of the richest colors and markings, and largest size. This mixture is specially prepared from new and expensive sorts, and will produce flowers that will be a wonder and admiration to all who see them. Price, per packet of fifty seeds, 8c., three packets for 20c.

NASTURTIUMS continued

Lobblannm. (Lobb's Nasturtium). This section of the family is remarkable for the intense brilliancy of its flowers. They are scarcely as large as those of the preceding, but the coloring is so vivid and rich that few flowers can excel them. They are easily grown, like the common sort, and make beautiful hedges growing on brush like Sweet Peas. The brightness of their colors makes them especially useful for cut flowers. They are also splendid greenhouse or conservatory climbers, seeming perfectly at home in winter quarters.

Fine Mixture. From the brightest light colors to dark velvety crimson. Per oz., 25c., per pkt.....5c

Tropaeolum Peregrinum. Canary Bird Flower. See "Curious Plants." Per pkt.....4c

Always sign your name the same way.

Defiance Petunia.

Petunia.

These valuable plants succeed everywhere, and are in a special sense everybody's flower. The degree of perfection to which some of the new varieties have been brought would have been thought incredible years ago. A single packet of seed carefully sown will produce a great bed of flowers, of dozens of shades, colors and markings: dark magenta-erimson, deep velvety purple, pure whites, and striped, blotched and spotted flowers in endless diversity. Such a bed will come into bloom in the early summer, and produce countless numbers of flowers throughout the season. There are two distinct kind of Petunias; the small flowered class to which "Red Star" belongs, producing bushy plants that are almost completely covered with bright flowers; the other and more popular class is the large flowering or hybrid section, which often produces flowers four inches in diameter—the large double Petunias so much admired belong to this class. The seeds being quite small, succeed best if started in boxes of light soil, and transplanted to the open ground about a foot apart each way. This is the only care that they need as they stand dry weather admirably, though they will well repay an occasional good watering in the summer.

Red Star. Compact bushy plants bearing great numbers of bright flowers so thickly as to almost cover the plants; color rich purplish-red with a distinct white star on each flower; splendid for bedding, or bordering masses of the large-flowered sorts. Per pkt. 10c

Hybrida, superfine mixed. This is not the ordinary common mixture, but a much better quality for which I pay about double the ordinary price at wholesale; It embraces all colors and a great variety of markings; very good for bedding or massing. Per pkt. 10c

Hybrida Grandiflora. The true large-flowered Petunias, measuring from four to five inches in diameter. Many shades of purple, lavender, rose and crimson, often blotched and striped with pure white in a brilliant manner. This strain is often sold as the finest of Petunias, and might well be called such if it were not for the Defiance strain mentioned below. Extra fine American grown seed. Per pkt. 12c

Hybrida Grandiflora "Defiance." This is truly a magnificent strain, as may be judged from the fact the seed is worth about \$70.00 per ounce. Do not confound this with any ordinary mixture. It is the King of all Petunias, the flowers being frequently over five inches in diameter by actual measurement, while for the richness of its colors it is simply indescribable. The flowers are often beautifully fringed, and are delicately veined. Per pkt. 25c

Double Petunia.

Best Double Petunias. This is not the common grade of seed, but the very finest to be procured, and consequently is very expensive. Every plant has been fertilized by hand, and a large proportion of the seed will come double. This seed has not the vitality of the single sorts, and should be sown with great care on the top of boxes of finely sifted soil, covered with glass. The smallest and weakest plants should be carefully preserved, as they are the ones that produce the finest double flowers. Per pkt. 20c

Platycodon Mariessi.

This is a dwarf form of the grand perennial, *Platycodon Grandiflora*, and bears numbers of Campanula-like flowers three inches in diameter, looking as if cut from leather; blue and white in color. It forms a compact bush a foot in height, and is an exceptionally desirable plant for the hardy border. Per pkt. 12c

Pyrethrum Roseum.

Is the "Insect Powder Plant," and a fine hardy plant as well, bearing many large, red, daisy-like flowers, which, when dried and powdered, make the "Persian Insect Powder." Per pkt. 5c

Oenothera.

The Evening Primroses are large, beautiful flowers that open suddenly about dusk, and are endless sources of amusement to the children, and of interest to the older folks as well. Of many varieties the following are the very best.

Lamarckiana Grandiflora. A hardy biennial, blooming the second year, which grows to a height of four to six feet, and produces enormous numbers of pure yellow flowers three inches or more in diameter. A bed or hedge of these will make a great show and attract much attention, as they suddenly open in the evening. Per pkt. 10c

Acaulis Alba. A real beauty, only a few inches high, bearing saucer-shaped flowers, three or more inches in diameter, of waxy white that are marvels of beauty. Hardy perennial, but blooms in only about two months from sowing the seed. Per pkt. 10c

Portulaca.

This hardy creeping annual is a regular salamander, and in the dryest summer weather is completely covered with its large, brilliant flowers, of scarlet, magenta, rose, orange, yellow straw and white, beside brilliant striped varieties. *Grandiflora*. Single mixed, many colors. Per pkt. 10c

Double Rose-flowered. Large, perfectly double flowers. Those who have never seen them cannot imagine how brilliantly beautiful they are. Grand for bedding. Pkt. 5c

Salvia.

The Salvia is one of the very best bedding plants of taller growth, succeeding anywhere. Start early under glass or in the house.

Splendens. This is the popular "Scarlet Sage" and has been aptly called "The Flame Colored Beauty." For several months hundreds of spikes of intensely brilliant glowing scarlet flowers make the plants a blaze of color. Per pkt. 10c

Varinacea. A dwarf sort, forming compact bushes from which rise many long spikes of rarely beautiful flowers of a delicate blue. Per pkt. 10c

Phlox.

For a brilliant display, there is scarcely anything better among bedding annuals than *Phlox Drummondii*. The brilliancy of the crimson and scarlet varieties is actually dazzling; its name signifies "a flame" and a bed of *Phlox* in the bright sun-light resembles one. It is distinctively an American flower, and does credit to its native land, for it is of a fine habit of growth, and for a constant display is hardly excelled by any other annual or perennial, possessing every desirable quality that a bedding plant should have. The newer varieties of *Phlox* are far ahead of anything yet seen, being much larger in size, more compact in habit, and richer and more brilliant in color. The colors range from pure white through rose, and light red, to the deepest blood purple or crimson, while even yellow is now represented in the family. Some of them are solid colors, others have large contrasting eyes, and again others are vividly striped with contrasting colors. The margins now are no longer entire, but in some varieties deeply serrated, or extended in long star-like points. The seed may be sown in the open ground, or if preferred, under glass in March or April. The plants should not be placed nearer than ten or twelve inches, when they will entirely cover the ground in June. The finest effects are produced by planting in large masses, and beautiful ribbon beds may be formed with the white and scarlet varieties. The seed being perfectly hardy, may be sown to advantage in the fall, but in that case it should be put in so late that it will not start before spring.

Phlox Drummondii. Fine mixture of all colors. Per pkt.....3c

Grandiflora Superba. I offer this with confidence as being as fine a strain of *Phlox* as can be bought anywhere at any price. It is really remarkable for variety and brilliancy of colors, as well as for the immense size of the flowers, many of them being so large that they will nearly cover a fifty cent piece. While the preceding mixture is as good as that ordinarily sold, I would advise all who wish something really due to try this. The plants are more erect, and the colors more brilliant and intense, some of them being unusual. The scarlets are really dazzling, the crimsons glow like fire, while the deep purples and dark maroons form a pretty contrast with the lighter and more delicate shades. Per pkt.....8c

Grandiflora Alba. Pure white. This is not the common white *Phlox*, but truly a magnificent strain, of great size and substance, and purest white. Per pkt.....8c

Large Blood Red. Of the deepest blood red, darkest of all *Phloxes*. Per pkt.....6c

Splendens. Brilliant scarlet with pure white eye. Per pkt.....5c

New Large Yellow. In this we have at last a yellow *Phlox* of good size. It is of a warm glowing tone of rich straw yellow, with finely formed flowers of the very largest size. The clusters of bloom are magnificent. Per pkt.....8c

Starred and Fringed *Phlox*. One of the finest novelties

in flowering plants ever brought out. The *Star Phloxes* when first introduced, while of a large size and most extraordinary shapes, with flowers curiously fringed and pointed, were of rather dull colors; but by careful hybridization, we now have in them the same brilliant colors as in the other *Phloxes*. The fringed variety has the ends of the petals deeply cut, and some of them three-toothed, but all distinctly bordered with white, which with the bright eye in the center forms a striking contrast with the rich veiny shades of the body of the flower. There are now more than twenty different colors in this division. In the *Star Phloxes* the central tooth is several times as long as the others, making five long projecting points, which gives the flower a regular star-like form; the effect is also greatly heightened by the broad edge of white surrounding each petal. The seed I offer is from one of the finest collections in the world, and will give the great satisfaction. Per pkt.....6c

New Fringed *Phlox*.
Perennial *Phlox*.

Fine hardy perennials. The heads of bloom are of immense size, sometimes eight inches or more in diameter, and so compact as to be a solid mass of flowers. Per pkt.....6c

Order some CANNAS, if nothing else.

Poppies.

This showy old-fashioned flower has once again been lifted high upon the wave of popularity, and the gardens of to-day show brilliant beds of the flowers our grandmother's used to cultivate—the same yet how different. The double Poppy of to-day is a dense ball of glowing color. No flower grown is more perfectly double, and some of the fringed varieties are beyond description, as large in size, and many times brighter in color than a Peony, and the single varieties are no less beautiful; great saucer-like flowers of crimson, fiery scarlet, deep pink, rose, blush, and snowy white perched jauntily on the tops of tall stems, and swaying in each passing breeze with airy grace. The delicate tints of the new Shirley Poppies are simply wonderful; there is nothing better to lighten up dark places, and beds of them interspersed among shrubbery and evergreens are like sunshine in dark places. If you wish your Poppies to do well plant them early—just as soon as the ground can be worked; in this latitude the finest Poppies I have ever seen were sown about the first of March. A quantity of seed scattered in suitable places late in the autumn will give good account of itself next spring and summer. If you want something that is easily grown from seed, and that will attract a great deal of attention, plant a large bed of Poppies. The Tulip Poppy, mentioned among the novelties, is exceptionally fine for brilliant effect.

Giant Carnation-Flowered. For variety and dazzling colors this strain is unexcelled; flowers of great size, perfectly double, and sure to bloom. All you have to do is to scatter the seed in the open ground very early in the spring. Per pkt.....06c

Double Peony-Flowered. Grows about three feet in height and bears enormous double flowers of brightest colors. Many colors and shades mixed. Per pkt.....06c

Fire Dragon. (*Papaver Lævigatum*.) Graceful plants with pretty foliage covered with numbers of large single flowers four inches in diameter, of the most intensely brilliant deep scarlet. At the base of each petal is a distinct black spot, surrounded by a band of pure white; a wonderfully brilliant and striking flower, the combination of colors being entirely out of the ordinary. Per pkt.....10c

Snowdrift. Probably the finest pure white Poppy grown. Its great snow-white flowers are as double and full as they can be, like a great ball of soft fringe. It is a dwarf sturdy grower, and is fine for growing in masses. Per pkt.....06c

Shirley Poppies. This new strain of single Poppies, brought out a few years since, has proved a genuine surprise to all lovers of this beautiful flower. Every shade of crimson, scarlet, rose, pink and carmine are represented, and the softness and delicacy, and silk-like lustre of the petals are really wonderful. Many of the bright-colored flowers are heavily edged with white, and a bed of these Poppies will prove a great source of pleasure to anybody. Per pkt.....04c

Vesuvius. A glowing ball of brilliant scarlet, with a distinct white stripe on each petal. Per pkt.....5c.

New Tulip Poppy. Grows only about a foot high, and produces great numbers of Tulip-shaped flowers of the most brilliant scarlet, sometimes fifty or sixty on a single plant. SUPERB. ....6c.

Fairy Blush. Pure white, edged with a rosy cream. Wonderfully delicate and beautiful. Pkt. ....6c.

Nankeen Yellow. Enormous, perfectly double flowers, nearly six inches across, of a striking nankeen yellow color. Great. Per pkt. ....6c.

Golden Gate Poppies. All colors to be found in Poppydom are represented in this glorious strain. Single, double and semi-double, striped blotched and bordered. Try them. Per pkt.....5c.

Perennial Poppy.

The Perennial Poppy, or *Papaver Orientale*, is one of the very best hardy perennials, blooming every May with no attention whatever. The intensely brilliant flowers are of enormous size, sometimes seven inches across, of scarlet and crimson shades. Per pkt.....5c.

RICINUS.

The various species of the "Castor Oil Bean" are stately foliage plants, and produce magnificent tropical effects. *Communis.* The common castor bean. Per pkt.....5c.

Borboniensis. A giant, sometimes fifteen feet high. Leaves and stem green, the former very large. Pkt. ....5c.

Sanguineus. Deep red stalks, large grower. ....5c.

Cambodgensis. Small grower, bronze maroon leaves, stalk and stems nearly black. Per pkt. ....5c.

Gibsoni Coccineus. Both stalks and leaves are a bright metallic bronze, seed pods flaming scarlet. Per pkt.....5c.

Zanzibarensis. This new giant variety grows to a great size, with leaves sometimes two and a half feet broad. Per pkt.....10c.

THUNBERGIA.

Beautiful slender growing climbers, with flowers of pure white, yellow and orange, with contrasting eyes.

Fine Mixture. Many colors. Per pkt.....5c.

SWEET WILLIAM.

A favorite flower in our grandmother's garden, and the improved varieties of to-day are among the best of hardy border plants. Fine mixture both single and double. 5c.

TORENIA FOURNIERI.

A charming trailing plant, well adapted for pot culture or hanging baskets. Of the richest velvety-purple shading to lavender toward the center, while the throat is a bright yellow. Per pkt. ....5c.

VINCA.

These "Periwinkles" are splendid plants for either house or garden culture, growing about eighteen inches high and blooming in the driest weather.

Rosea. Fine, clear rose color. Per pkt. ....5c.

Rosea Alba. White with rosy crimson eye. Per pkt. ....4c.

Alba Pura. Pure snow-white. Per pkt. ....5c.

Salpiglossis.

Velvet Flower.

The Salpiglossis is an exceedingly beautiful half-hardy annual, most graceful in growth and most beautiful in flower, besides which it has the virtue of being quite easily raised from seed. The large, funnel-shaped blossoms somewhat resemble the Petunia, and are of wonderfully rich colors, and of a peculiar velvety texture well earning its common name of "Velvet Flower." The flowers are oddly marked and penciled with beautiful colors. The plant grows about two feet high and the seed may be sown under glass, or in the open ground if the soil is light.

Grandiflora Mixed. I do not handle the common sorts, but only this splendid new large flowering class. The very large graceful flowers are borne on long stems, and embrace many colors, from rich velvety-purples, browns and maroons, to exquisitely delicate shades of light blue, yellow and straw color, the surface of the petals appearing to have a metallic gloss, while the prominent veins of other shades add greatly to their beauty. Per pkt.....04c

Scabiosa.

Mourning Bride.

This is a very peculiar flower, the plants bearing a great profusion of rich velvety blooms of glowing colors, different from any other flower. It is one of the best bouquet flowers we have, its long slender stems making it very useful for that purpose. The seed may be sown out of doors quite early, and the plants are so nearly hardy that many not weakened by over-blooming survive the winter and will do better the second season than the first.

Large Flowered Double, Mixed. A fine strain producing very large perfectly double flowers.

ers. This is not the ordinary cheap mixture, but a greatly improved strain, the seed of which sells for a double price at wholesale. The plants are unusually compact and upright, the stems long and stiff and the flowers borne in profusion until frost. The colors also really remarkable, ranging from white, pink, lilac and porcelain, to deep red, crimson, velvety-purple and almost black. Per pkt. 05c

New Double Black. This is a superb new variety. The great, round, double flowers, are such a deep black-purple as to appear almost coal black. You have no idea of the effect of a bed of this royal sort. Per pkt. 05c

Snow Ball. The flowers of this variety are of the purest white and very double, measuring fully two inches in diameter. The plant is a strong grower and produces beautiful flowers in great numbers. Try a bed of it edged with a heavy border of the New Double Black.....06c

Ten-Weeks' Stock.

The Ten-weeks' Stock is a perfect flower in every respect, its fine compact habit leaves nothing to be desired in that direction, texture of the flowers is heavy and waxy, the perfume is exceedingly sweet, the flowers as double as a rose and closely set upon long compact spikes, which in turn are produced in great numbers. The colors present every shade from pure white to red, blue and yellow, which three latter colors are rarely found in one plant. It is a superb bedder, as well as a most excellent pot plant, but prefers a rich mellow soil, plenty of water and a cool atmosphere. For this reason it does better in the northern states, and in the south should be given a place sheltered from the hot afternoon sun. To have a continuous succession of bloom, sow seed from March until the end of May. To raise these plants in the perfection in which it is possible, they should receive good attention as to soil, cultivation and water, when they will magnificently reward the cultivator for all the extra trouble bestowed upon them.

Dwarf German Ten-Weeks. Fine mixture of many colors, Per pkt 03c

New Largest Flowering Globe Pyramidal. A superb race, bearing immense spikes of perfectly double flowers in great profusion. The spikes are compactly pyramidal in shape, and the individual blooms measure from two to two and a half inches in diameter. I offer a splendid mixture made up of the following distinct colors: Crimson, Rose, Flesh color, Brick-red, Chamols, Salmon-rose, Lilac-rose, Aurora color, Brown-rose, Black-brown, Coppery-brown, Darkest Crimson, Canary-yellow, Golden Chamols, Citron-yellow, Dark Blue, Light Blue, Pure-white, Apple-Blossom and Ash-gray. I consider this the very finest variety of Ten-weeks Stock grown, and the seed is the very best I can obtain, and very expensive. There is a great difference in the quality of the seed of this plant, and it does not pay to buy the cheap seed. Per pkt.....10c

Schizanthus.

Butterfly Flower.

A half-hardy annual of the easiest culture, making, when planted not too far apart, masses of delicate fern-like foliage above which hang hundreds of bright butterfly-like flowers which rival orchids in singularity of colors and oddness of marking, the flowers being spotted with purple, lilac, crimson and yellow in a grotesque manner, while the petals are beautifully and deeply cut. The plants are wonderfully profuse bloomers and the extraordinary beauty of the flowers, together with the cheapness of the seed should induce everyone to try it. Per pkt.....03c

Snap Dragon. (See Antirrhinum.)

HARRISBURG, IND., April 6, 1895.

I have received the box of plants, all in good condition, and to say that I am well pleased with my orders and all the extras you have added would not express it at all.

MARY E. LOWE.

ELLSWORTH, MAINE, July 2, 1895.

Bulbs and seeds received, and thank you very liberal.

MINNIE LEIGHTON.

Sweet Peas.

The sudden popularity which this real old-fashioned flower has recently acquired is wonderful, but still not strange after all, for what is there that was ever grown more graceful in form and bearing, or more delicate in coloring, to say nothing of its rare perfume. Plant quantities of them—the seed is so cheap that you may have all you wish—and let the overflowing beauty of your garden give pleasure to your friends and neighbors, and brighten up many a sick room. As to the much-discussed question of cultivation, let me suggest three things: Plant early, plant deep, and give them lots of water. Get them in the ground just as early in the spring as the ground can possibly be worked, which in this latitude is generally before the middle of March. Plant them five or six inches deep, in rich soil, and give supports after they have attained a height of several inches. It is better to plant them even deeper than this, if the soil should be dry and light, and this is often done by digging a trench several inches deep, and planting them two or three inches deep in the bottom of this, having first stirred the soil to as great a depth as possible. After the plants are above the ground, the soil may be filled into the trench a little at a time, until the ground is again level, thus placing the roots six or eight inches below the surface where they will keep comparatively cool. In dry weather stir the soil and apply great quantities of water, sufficient to reach the bottom of the roots, once or twice a week. If these directions are carefully followed, especially as to watering, you will have great numbers of large flowers way into August.

Good Mixture. Many colors. Per oz. 8c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 22c., pkt. 3c.
All New Sweet Peas Mixed. This is a special mixture of new named varieties of this favorite flower, containing the largest flowered and most distinct sorts, and will give great satisfaction. I confidently recommend this to those who want something decidedly better than the ordinary mixture. Per oz., 12c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 36c. Per pkt. 6c.

Eckford's Gilt-edged. This mixture contains a variety of new colors and shades, many of the flowers being of large size. This seed is raised from stock imported direct from Mr. Eckford, and for those who do not mind paying a little more for something very new and choice, embracing the very finest novelties in Sweet Peas, will give great pleasure and unbounded satisfaction. Per oz., 25c., 2 oz., 40c., $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 75c. Per pkt. 12c.

VERBENA.

The Verbena is a favorite bedding plant with all who have ever cultivated it. It covers the ground with a dense mat of finely cut, rich green foliage, which is almost covered with large trusses of flowers of the richest and most brilliant crimsons, scarlets and purples, deep blues, soft pinks and snowy whites, while some of the flowers are vividly striped scarlet, crimson or purple on a white ground.

Verbena Hybrida. Extra fine mixed, from a superb collection of named varieties, producing enormous trusses and flowers of the most brilliant colors. This strain is far superior to the Mammoth Verbena having been saved from the very largest flowers, not only of many bright and pleasing self-colors, but also from the very finest varieties of the Auricula-flowered type. The price is high, but the quality justifies it. Two packets, 25c; per pkt. 15c.

Verbena Hybrida. Fine Mixed. A splendid mixture which will produce fine flowers of a wide range of colors of the Mammoth Verbena Type. Per pkt. 6c.

Verbena Hybrida. Good Mixed. A good mixture which will produce fine flowers of a splendid range of colors. A bed of Verbenas from this seed will indeed be a brilliant sight, but we would strongly recommend the two preceding strains as being *more than merely good*, and costing little more money. Plant the seed early in boxes in the house and transplant a foot apart in the open border as soon as danger of frost is past, and you will have as fine a bed as if you bought plants already started. Per pkt. 2c.

Viola Odorata.

The modest sweet scented Violet is an unassuming little plant that is loved wherever known. The fragrance is intensely rich, yet most delicate, and a small bunch of them will perfume a whole room. The seed should be sown in May, and care taken that the ground does not dry out until they germinate, which sometimes requires several weeks. In September they should be transplanted into well enriched beds, and after cold weather sets in, in Northern states, they may be slightly protected with evergreen boughs or something else of the sort, though they should not be closely covered. Soon after the snow is off in the Spring they will begin to bloom.

Fine Mixture. of pure white, fine light blue, rich deep purple, dark violet and other shades. Per pkt. 10c.

ZINNIA.

No flowers are more easily grown than this, so much so that in speaking of any readily grown plant it is common to say "as easily grown as a Zinnia." The Zinnia is an old-fashioned flower, but the almost single, faded colored flowers of years ago are now replaced by enormous densely double balls of rich glowing crimson, dazzling scarlet, maroon, violet, orange, yellow, buff, primrose, pink and white.

Double Mixed. Choice mixture of large, double flowers in all colors. Per pkt. 2c.

Giant Mammoth. Of stronger growth than the preceding, and producing flowers that are simply immense, perfectly double, and of rich and striking colors. The plants make great bushes three feet high, and produce almost unnumbered flowers during the season. Per pkt. 6c.

Double Lilliput. This is a new, extra fine strain of dwarf Zinnias, forming compact little bushes bearing very small pom-pom-shaped flowers of the brightest colors and perfectly double which cover the plant through the whole season, so closely that each one looks like a bouquet of flowers. Per pkt. 6c.

Everlasting Flowers.

These odd flowers never fade, but if cut in bud and blossom and dried they will last and retain their rich and brilliant colors for many years. They should be cut when in full bloom and dried slowly in the shade. Instead of offering them in separate sorts, we offer a large packet containing a splendid mixture of the following sorts: *Acaelinum*, rose and white; *Ammobium*, pretty white flowers; *Gomphrena* (Globe Amaranth); *Helipterum*, yellow; *Helichrysium*, crimson, white, golden-yellow, and other bright colors; *Rhodanthe*; *Waltzia*, golden-yellow, *Xeranthemum* mixed colors. Good sized packet from all these varieties. Per pkt. 1c.

Wild Garden Mixture.

This is a mixture of a great many varieties of such easily grown plants as are suitable for forming a wild flower garden. A great deal of pleasure may be gotten from a package of this seed, sown in a seed bed and transplanted or sprinkled broadcast over a good-sized bed. When the plants are well started, thin them out if necessary, and you will be rewarded each day by the sight of new faces. A package of this seed given to the children will prove an endless means of amusement, and may keep them from many worse ones. A few packages of this seed scattered by woodland walks, roadsides, fences or in any out-of-the-way places, will prove a source of surprise to many others, as well as yourself. Per oz., 1c.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb., 25c.; per lb., \$1.75; per pkt. 5c.

VEGETABLE SEEDS.

While our chief business is that of supplying the wants of the flower loving public, in the way of the newest and best flower seeds, bulbs and plants, we realize that many of our customers are also interested in the vegetable line, and, having use for seeds of that sort, may often find it convenient to purchase them at the same time that they do the others, and, while we do not cater to the wants of market gardeners, and other large buyers, we have added a vegetable seed department, which, while not long, is *just as choice as it can be*. We have, with the greatest care, gone over the long lists of seeds offered in this line, and selected a hundred of the very best and most distinct varieties of vegetables grown, *every single sort right up to the top* in its respective class, having selected such varieties as are admitted to be the best in growth, productiveness and quality, and included those sorts that are especially acceptable in the family garden on account of their tenderness and delicious flavor. Have you a little spare room in the back of your city yard? Let us whisper a suggestion in your ear—give it to the children for a garden, and pay them a fair price for all the vegetables they raise for the table, and see what good it will do them in more ways than one.

Our seeds are from the finest stocks in America, and **CANNOT** be excelled; beside this, we test all our seeds ourselves. They are **FRESH** and **TRUE** to NAME. Everything prepaid at prices quoted. If ordered by express, deduct ten cents per pint on Beans, Peas and Corn.

ASPARAGUS.

Columbian Mammoth White. New, the finest of all, 80 per cent of the seed producing plants that have white shoots, without blanching. Per oz. 20c; Pkt.....5c.

BEANS.

Bush Sorts.

Extra Early Valentine. Improved round pod. Very early, curved green pods, finest quality. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

Extra Early Refugee. Earliest good green pod. A good bearer, and an excellent snap bean. Pint 25c; pkt.....10c.

Best of All. Deep green pod, round, brittle, very tender and delicious, and great bearer. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

D. M. Ferry & Co's Golden Wax. Hardy, very productive; the waxy, flat pods are thick and fleshy, and of the highest quality both as a snap and a shell bean. Pint 25c; pkt.....10c.

Prolific German Wax. (Black Seeded.) Long round thick pods, tender and good. Great bearer. Fine. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

Speckled Wax. Late. Pods cylindrical, large, crisp, tender and stringless. Very productive. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

Burpee's Bush Lima. The largest Bush Lima Bean. An immense yielder. Fine. Pint 30c; pkt.....10c.

POLE OR RUNNING BEANS.

White Crease Back. Wonderfully productive, pods green, very thick and best quality. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

Kentucky Wonder. Pods thick, green; very tender and fine flavored, often nine inches long. Great bearer. Pint, 25c; pkt.....10c.

Early Golden Cluster Wax. Bright golden yellow pods six to eight inches long, thick and fleshy; of excellent quality, very early and abundant bearer. **EXTRA FINE.** Pint, 30c; pkt.....10c.

Challenger Lima. Finest of all Limas; an enormous cropper, bearing till frost. Pint, 30c; pkt.....10c.

BEETS.

Extra Early Egyptian Blood Turnip. Best for forcing, and fine for early crop out of doors. Very dark red, rounded on top, but flat beneath; crisp and tender when young. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c.

Detroit Dark Red Turnip. A splendid sort, of fine shape and rich color; almost globular, smooth, flesh very tender and sweet, and remaining so a long time. Oz., 10c; pkt.....5c.

Improved Long Dark Blood. Large, tapering toward both ends, flesh very tender and sweet, remaining so when kept till spring. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c.

Mammoth Long Red Mangel Wurzel. Finely formed, deeply colored, of immense size. Oz., 20c; pkt.....5c.

Brussels Sprouts.

Grows two or three feet high, and produces on the sides of the stalk many small cabbage-like sprouts. Oz., 15c; pkt 5c.

Prolific German Wax Bean.

CABBAGE.

Early Jersey Wakefield. The earliest hard-heading sort; of excellent quality, and very early. Per oz., 25c; pkt.....5c.

Early Winningstadt. One of the best for general use, being a sure, hard header. Oz., 20c; pkt.....5c.

All Seasons. Heads very large and round, solid and of the best quality. Extra. Oz., 20c; pkt.....5c.

Premium Late Flat Dutch. An extra fine strain of this large oval headed variety. Late, and very large. Oz., 15c; pkt.....5c.

Marblehead Mammoth Drumhead. The largest cabbage known, sometimes weighing fifty pounds. Oz., 15c; pkt.....5c.

Improved American Savoy. The best of all "Savoys," vigorous and very sure heading. The delicate Cauliflower flavor of the Savoys should make them widely grown. Oz., 15c; pkt.....5c.

CAULIFLOWER.

Early Snowball. Very early, and makes a compact head. This delicate vegetable is not half appreciated. Per pkt.....25c.

Large Algiers. Fine late variety. Per pkt.....5c.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., April 1st, 1895
I am exceedingly pleased with them all, and delighted at the number of extras.

E. K. LEIGH.

White Plume Celery.

Celery.

Golden Self Blanching. The best early variety of this delicious plant. Handsome color, crisp, tender and free from stringiness. As its name indicates, the tedious process of "banking up" is unnecessary, and all that is needed is to tie the stalks together, or heap up enough earth around the base to hold them together. This is the finest sort for the home garden, and every one that has a little room should raise a row or two of this palatable and most healthful vegetable. Per oz., 35c; pkt.....5c

White Plume. A splendid white variety that blanches as readily as the above, but, while the quality is very fine, it is not quite up to Golden Self-Blanching in flavor or keeping qualities. Per oz., 20c; pkt.....5c

Incomparable Dwarf Crimson. The red varieties are better keepers, and finer flavored than any others, and this is the best of them all. Excellent. Per oz., 20c; pkt.....5c

Giant Pascal. Of great size, solid, crisp and nutty flavor. Fine for late, and best for the South. Oz., 20c; pkt.....5c

Carrot.

Chantenay. Medium early, crisp and tender. A great producer and exceptionally fine. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Danvers. Large, medium long, flesh sweet, crisp and tender; of a deep orange color. Very productive. Oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

CORN.

SUGAR VARIETIES.

White Cob Cory. The best of all extra earlys. Ears of good size, eight rowed, grains very large. As early as the earliest. Per pint, 25c; pkt.....10c

Early Minnesota. A very popular early sort; ears good size, eight rowed, grains very large and of excellent taste, sweet and tender. The strain we offer is a particularly fine and uniform one. Per pint 20c; pkt.....10c

Stowell's Evergreen. The favorite main crop variety. It is hardy and productive, very tender and sugary, remaining a long time in condition fit for boiling. Per pint 20c; pkt.....10c

Mammoth. A very large late, the ears sometimes weighing two to three pounds, sweet, tender and delicious. Per pint, 20c; pkt.....10c

POP CORN.

True Rice. Ears short, kernels long and pointed, very prolific. Quality excellent. Pint, 20c; pkt.....10c

Queen's Golden. Ears very large, grains twice the usual size, and when popped nearly an inch in diameter, perfectly white and deliciously crisp. Extra fine. Pint, 20c; pkt.....10c

One packet each of the above 6 varieties for 45c; of the 4 Sugar varieties alone for 30c.

Hanson Lettuce.

Lettuce.

Grand Rapids. Best forcing, and very early. Forms a loose cluster of crisp and tender leaves, beautifully crimped and frilled. Grows rapidly and keeps well. Per oz., 15c; pkt.....5c

Tilton's White Star. An improvement on the Simpson type; forms a large, semi-solid cluster of leaves and blanches perfectly. Remains in condition a long time. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Early Curled Silesia. Light green leaves beautifully frilled, and very tender and delicious when young. Is fit to cut when very small. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Hanson. Forms a very large, flat head like a cabbage, sometimes reaching a weight of three pounds. Light green, very sweet and tender, and one of the slowest to run to seed, remaining a long time in good condition for eating. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Early White Self-Folding Cos. The Cos Lettuces are very distinct, having long, spoon-shaped leaves, folding loosely into sugar loaf-shaped heads, and are celebrated in Europe for their exceeding crispness, tenderness, and delicate flavor. This sort needs no tying up to blanch it. Try it. Per oz., 15c; pkt.....5c

Cucumber.

Early Cluster. A vigorous grower, fruit short, of fine oval form, and dark green color. Fine for table, but not adapted to pickling. Very early. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Early White Spine. One of the best for table use, vigorous, early and abundant; fruit uniformly spined, straight, handsome, and the flesh tender and well flavored. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Boston Pickling. Or green Prolific. An enormous bearer, fruit very smooth, symmetrical, and dark green, and extra fine for pickling. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Cool and Crisp. A splendid strain of the White Spine, long and symmetrical, the flesh peculiarly crisp and tender, and very fine for table use. Per oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Improved Long Green. Vigorous and productive vines, forming fruit almost as early as the short sorts, becoming about twelve inches long, firm and crisp. When young makes the very best of pickles, and when old, the best of all for sweet pickles. Oz., 10c; pkt.....5c

Egg Plant.

Improved Large Purple. Of great size, and very productive. The best variety. Per oz., 40c; pkt.....5c

LANCASTER, MASS., April 6, 1883.

I am much pleased with the bright fresh plants. Am sure every one of them will grow.

ANNA F. WHITNEY.

EVANSVILLE, IND., March 20, 1883.

I have never been treated so generously before—many thanks.

MRS. WM. DAVISON.

Extra Early Hackensack.

Melon, Musk.

Extra Early Hackensack. (See Ent.) Ten days earlier than the well known Hackensack, of good size, very productive, and the green flesh is very rich and luscious. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Improved Large Green Nutmeg. Vigorous, hardy and productive. Fruit very large, round, and flesh thick and of the highest flavor. A delicious melon. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Emerald Gem. Green skin, flesh rich salmon, and sweet and luscious beyond description. Scarce any other melon, except the Melrose, can approach it in this. Per oz., 10c; per pkt..... 5c

Osage. Green skin, slightly netted, of good size and productive. The flesh is of a rich salmon color, and very thick, sweet and fine flavored. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Melrose. As fine a melon as ever raised, vigorous, productive, longest bearing. Flesh green, in flavor unexcelled by any other sort, sweet and delicious to the skin. It will produce more, and "hold up" longer than any other. Is unexcelled for market, and the melon for the home table. Oz., 20c; pkt..... 5c

Montreal. An immense melon, sometimes weighing ten pounds, and yet of fine flavor and quality. Green flesh. Oz., 15c; pkt..... 5c

One packet each of these six fine Musk-melons for 25c.

Okra.

White Velvet. A fine sort; pods white, smooth and tender. Used to give a delicious thickness to soups. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Onion.

All these sorts make large Onions the first year from seed, though the Giant Rocca takes two years to attain full size.

Large Red Wethersfield. The standard red Onion. Large, somewhat flattened, a great producer, and good keeper. Oz., 20c; pkt..... 5c

Michigan Yellow Globe. The best yellow sort. Spherical, orange yellow, enormous yielder. Per oz., 20c; pkt..... 5c

Prize Taker. Immense, globe shaped, straw color, fine grained, mild and delicate flavor. Immense yielder, and of enormous size, sometimes weighing four to six pounds. Per oz., 20c; pkt..... 5c

Giant Rocca. Immense size, very mild, fine for eating. Can be grown to one and a half pounds the first season, and to four or five the second. Per oz., 20c; pkt..... 5c

One packet each of these four Onions for 15c.

Parsley.

Fine Triple Curled. Beautifully mossed and curled. Fine for garnishing as well as flavoring. Per oz., 10; pkt..... 5c

Parsnip.

Hollow Crown. Short smooth roots, sweet and delicious flavor, good yielder. Per oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Melon, Water.

Peerless. Best for home use. Medium size, oval, finely mottled; rind thin; flesh bright scarlet, solid to the center, crisp, and of the highest flavor. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Dixie. Fine market sort. Vines vigorous, large growing and hardy, fruit medium to large, ripening close to the rind, which is of a dark green striped lighter, while the flesh is bright scarlet, and of the best quality. Per oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Round Light Iceing. Considered by many the best of all melons. Medium, round, very light green or white, slightly mottled darker. Deliciously sweet. Per oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Sweet Heart. Has no equal for shipping, as it is so attractive in appearance as to sell well when others are a drug on the market. Of great size, skin bright, beautifully mottled green, flesh bright red firm, crisp, melting and sweet. Keeps well. A superb Melon. Per oz., 15c; pkt..... 5c

Hungarian Honey. Small, globular dark green, flesh of an intensely brilliant color, and surpassingly sweet and luscious, richer and sweeter than any other Watermelon. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

Green and Gold. Skin deep green, flesh rich, bright golden yellow throughout, and deliciously sweet. A large dish filled with alternate slices of this and a red-fleshed variety makes an unapproached table ornament. Oz., 10c; pkt..... 5c

One packet each of these 6 fine Watermelons for 25c.

Peas.

Ferry's First and Best. Extra early; smooth, vigorous, hardy. Two to two-and-one-half-feet high, very early indeed; productive and of good quality. Per pint, 20c; pkt..... 10c

Premium Gem. Extra early; wrinkled. Height twelve to fifteen inches, bearing an immense number of pods, which are large and invariably well filled. Very sweet tender and well flavored. Per pint, 25c; pkt..... 10c

Telegraph. Early, smooth, hardy, strong growing; pods very large, filled with Peas of excellent flavor. Pint, 25c; pkt..... 10c

McLean's Advancer. Early, wrinkled. Two-and-a-half feet high. An abundant bearer, pods large and flat, well filled; flavor excellent. Pint, 20c; pkt..... 10c

Large White Marrowfat. Late, smooth. A strong grower, five feet high. Pods and peas very large, and a wonderful bearer. Flavor rich. Pint, 20c; pkt..... 10c

Champion of England. Late; wrinkled. Brows four to five feet high, and is the standard of excellence; rich and delicious, and a great bearer. Fine. pint, 20c; pkt..... 10c

One packet each of these 6 Peas for 40c.

LANCASTER, MASS., April 17, 1895.

The Roses which you sent me two or three weeks ago are all doing finely. All the packets of seeds that I have planted come up beautifully, every, or nearly every seed germinating.
Miss A. E. WHITEKEY.

BOONEVILLE, Mo., April 6, 1895.

The plants and seeds came in due time and in good condition. I am more than satisfied with them. I thank you very much for the many nice "Extras."

NORA MELKERSMAN.

PUMPKIN.

Calhoun Pie. Medium size, heavy and solid. Very productive, and thick fleshed. Fine grained and rich flavored, making it the best sort known for pies. Per oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

Mammoth Prize. An enormous pumpkin, having been grown to weigh 200 pounds. Both skin and flesh are of a bright yellow, and though so large, it is one of the best for pies. Oz., 20c; pkt. .... 5c.

SQUASH.

Mammoth White Bush Scallop. White skin, tender and delicate. Twice the size of the ordinary sort. Oz., 15c; pkt. .... 5c.

Mammoth Summer Crookneck. The best summer Squash, much larger than the ordinary Crookneck. Fine quality. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

Hubbard. Unexcelled as a Winter Squash. Keeps well. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

RADISH.

Early Scarlet Globe. Very early, ready in three weeks. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

French Breakfast. Early; scarlet, tipped white. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

White Strasburg. Very large, exceedingly crisp and tender, and good all season. Per oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

Golden Globe. Quick grower, tender and brittle. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

California Mammoth White China. A grand Winter Radish a foot long, tender and crisp. Keeps well. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

PEPPER.

Long Red Cayenne. Bright red, extremely pungent. Fine for soups, etc. Oz., 25c; pkt. .... 5c.

Ruby King. Ruby red pods, four to six inches long by three to four through. Thick fleshed mild and pleasant. Fine for stuffing or eating. Oz., 25c; pkt. .... 5c.

Golden Dawn. Rich golden yellow, otherwise much like Ruby King. Oz., 25c; pkt. .... 5c.

SALSIFY.

Mammoth Sandwich Island. A superior sort of the delicious "Vegetable Oyster." Larger stronger growing, and better shape. Oz., 15c; pkt. .... 5c.

SPINAGE.

Savoy Leaved. The earliest; narrow, savoyed leaves. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

Long Standing. Very late in going to seed. Oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

MT. HOLLY, IND., April 27, 1895.
The bulbs and seeds received, are very much pleased with the quality and quantity.

Mrs. H. S. Gordy.

TOMATO.

Atlantic Prize. At last we have a VERY early Tomato that is of good smooth shape. Enormous clusters, and the largest, smoothest and best early Tomato. Per oz., 20c; pkt. .... 5c.

New Stone. The heaviest and most solid Tomato of good quality. Vigorous, productive, fruit large, deep red, and very solid and good flavored. Oz., 20c; pkt. .... 5c.

Acme. Hardy, productive, and continuing until frost; large, smooth, purple skin, and of a peculiarly agreeable flavor. One of the best for home use or market. Per oz., 20c; pkt. .... 5c.

Dwarf Champion. This is the "Tree Tomato" so extensively advertised. It grows about two feet high, making a bushy plant that stands erect without any stakes. Fruit medium size, of good flavor, and a great favorite with many. Per oz., 25c; pkt. .... 5c.

Ponderosa. A new sort of immense size, weighing over two pounds. Very few seeds, and solid and meaty, nearly as firm as an apple. Quality and flavor superb, and an extraordinary yielder. The King of all Tomatoes. Try it. Oz., 60c; pkt. .... 10c.

Golden Queen. A grand yellow sort that is as smooth as the red ones, and of superior flavor. Beautiful for slicing with the red sorts. Per oz., 40c; pkt. .... 5c.

One packet of each of these 6 fine Tomatoes for 30c.

TURNIP.

Early Purple Top Strap-Leaved. Very early, and grained and tender, flesh white. Per oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

Orange Jelly. A yellow fleshed Turnip of great sweetness and delicacy. Fine table variety. Per oz., 10c; pkt. .... 5c.

\$25.00 Cash Premium.

With every order for \$2.00 or over, and under \$3.00, we will enclose FREE a packet of a special immense growing Pansy, of great beauty, and we will pay \$25.00 in cash for the largest pressed bloom sent us by October 15th, 1896, upon two conditions: First, that the prize flower shall be at least 2 3/4 inches in diameter. Second, that the seed bag in which the seeds are sent shall be returned with the flower.

\$100.00 CASH PREMIUM.

With every order for \$3.00 or over, we will send FREE a packet of very choice and expensive Chrysanthemum seed, saved from the finest varieties, such as we use ourselves, and will pay a cash premium of \$100.00 for the best seedling sent from it, and sent to us before November 30th, 1896, on

these conditions. First, that the empty seed bag in which the seed was sent, shall be returned with the flower. Second, that the premium flower shall take a certificate of merit from the National Chrysanthemum Society of America. Third, that the whole of the original premium plant shall become at once our property.

Both the Pansy and Chrysanthemum seed given free with an order for \$2.00 or over.

LAST YEAR'S \$25.00 PREMIUM

For the largest Giant Yellow Hibiscus was awarded to Mrs. H. W. Bachelder, of Clementsville, Ky. for a flower measuring 8 1/4 inches in diameter. Other large ones came from the following in order of sizes. Fannie Porter Dickey, Glasgow, Ky.; Mrs. C. A. Stevens, Parsons, Kansas; Mrs. L. A. Fawcett Cone, Farmington, Ill.; Mrs. M. E. Pearce, Foster, Texas; Mrs. H. H. Coleman, Lincoln, Neb.; Mrs. E. C. Reiss, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary M. Jaeger, Galveston, Texas; Miss Abbie F. Barnes, Gatesville, N. C.; Ben Franklin, Lima, O.; and Mrs. Wm. Uptegraf, Sr., Hagerstown, Md.

PLANT DEPARTMENT.

The completion of our new greenhouses only a few months since gives better facilities than ever for promptly filling our customers' wants with good well rooted plants, true to name. You will notice that we do not handle long lists of everything, but that we have endeavored to present fewer, and better varieties, rather than confuse you with many sorts that can hardly be told apart. We discard old and poor kinds, and offer the newest and best, and so have to charge a fair price, but we think you will find the prices very reasonable, considering this.

Some Sorts Are Scarce, and we advise early ordering, in which case we will hold your order until proper

Time for Shipment, which varies from the first part of March to the first of April, according to latitude.

We Guarantee Safe Arrival of all plants, and if not received in good order, let us know **at once**, as we do **not** hold ourselves responsible for the **growing** of any plants that are in good order when received.

Plants Are Not Always Shipped in the Same Package as Seeds and Bulbs. If you receive only a part of your order, and find no slip enclosed, wait a day or two before writing.

Our Novel Guarantee, on the first inside cover page holds good on plants as well, and it makes it *absolutely safe* for you to deal with us.

All Plants, large and small, *free by mail*, at *mail prices*, but we strongly advise all orders of any size, when not too far distant, to be sent by express, as not only are they 20 per cent. cheaper, but the soil can be left on the roots, and the plants will arrive in better order. Besides this, somewhat larger ones can often be sent, and more extras added.

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Our Great Plant Collection "The Giant,"

OR, COLLECTION NO. 100.

At these prices, no change whatever can be made in these Collections.

STRICTLY OUR SELECTION OF VARIETIES.

2 Everblooming Roses.	1 Variegated Tradescantia.	1 Ageratum, white.
4 Chrysanthemums, good sorts.	1 Double Sweet Alyssum.	1 Large Flowered Canna.
1 Carnation, fine variety.	2 Choice Geraniums.	2 Fine Begonias.
1 "Frog Cactus" (Stapella Serpentina.)	3 Richly Colored Coleus.	1 Smilax.
1 Giant White Moonflower.	1 Iresine Lindenii.	1 Artillery Plant, (Pilea Muscosa.)
	1 Ageratum, blue.	

Collection A.	20 Everblooming Roses for \$1.00.
Collection B.	20 Roses, all sorts; Everbloomers, Hybrids and Climbers for \$1.00.
Collection C.	10 Grand New Cannas for \$1.00.
Collection D.	25 Coleus, richly colored sorts for \$1.00.
Collection E.	25 Chrysanthemums, all splendid sorts for \$1.00.
Collection F.	20 Carnations, fine sorts for \$1.00.
Collection G.	15 Begonias, all beautiful sorts for \$1.00.
Collection H.	20 Hardy Plants for \$1.00.

Collection I. 10 Assorted Plants for 50c.

1 Everblooming Rose.	1 Carnation.	1 Ageratum.
2 Chrysanthemums.	1 Geranium.	1 Begonia.
1 "Frog Cactus," (Stapella Serpentina.)	1 Tradescantia.	
	1 Coleus.	

Collection J. 8 Fine Climbers for 50c.

1 Giant White Moonflower.	1 Solanum Jasminoides Grandiflorum.	1 German Ivy.
1 Climbing Rose.	1 Smilax.	1 Linaria Cymbalaria.
1 Passion Flower.		1 Coboea Scandens.

Collection K. 5 Grand Climbing Roses for 50c.

Crimson Rambler.	1 Prairie Queen.	1 Marechal Neil.
1 Mary Washington	1 Baltimore Belle.	

Six collections, to one address, for \$5.00. If ordered by express, 20 per cent. off. No further club rates or discounts allowed on collections.

Six plants of a sort for the price of five; twelve for the price of ten.

See Our NOVEL GUARANTEE On the inside of the Front Cover.

Cannas.

This is the kind of beds CANNAS make.

and purple tints, bearing the masses of vivid coloring at a height of three to five feet from the ground. A person who has never seen a good bed of the finer sorts in bloom can not possibly have any idea of their magnificence. **No** other bedding plant can *even compare* with them. Another point worth noticing is that, when planted in good soil, with plenty of sun, Cannas *will absolutely take care of themselves, and grow as readily as corn*, only asking for water in dry weather. They are most profuse bloomers, flowering continually until frost when the roots are stored in a dry, frost-proof cellar, or other place, until spring.

If you wish a bed that will be something really magnificent, prepare the ground well; make the soil light, deep and very rich, and the surface lower than the surrounding lawn, so that it will contain water. In dry weather soak thoroughly to the depth of a foot or more once or twice a week. If possible, give it a full exposure to the hot sun. Cannas will do well, and make a great display without much attention, but you will be astonished at the wealth of bloom produced by a bed prepared and watered as above. If you want your yard to outshine all your neighbors, this is the recipe: **BUY PLENTY OF CANNAS.**

THE FINEST NEW CANNAS.

The varieties of Cannas now offered are very numerous, and many lists still contain many old, worthless, antedated sorts, that are entirely behind the times. The following list will be found to contain not a single poor one, in any particular. Everyone is a **GRAND** sort. The prices of some are rather high because they are new.

Alba Rosa Grandiflora. 5 feet. This is the "White Canna;" it is not up to the standard of size set by some of the newest sorts, but deserves a place in this section on account of its color, which is a pale yellow when first open, changing to almost pure white. It is a very free bloomer, and of quite good size, though, as mentioned, not up to some in this. Price 20c each.

Beauty of Poitevine. 6 feet. A great grower, reaching a height of six feet, having very large, luxuriant foliage and flowers of a soft vermillion red. Very good bloomer, and a majestic variety. Price 40c each.

Chicago. 4 feet. We pronounce this, and Flamingo, all things considered, the two very best varieties introduced last year. The foliage is unusually large, and bright green. The flowers have five petals instead of four, making them unusually large, and the color is a dazzling vermillion. A row of this on our grounds the past summer was a literal blaze of color all season. Price 30c.

Eldorado. 4 feet. The best yellow yet introduced. It is not a clear yellow, but the spots are of so nearly the same color that at a short distance it gives a pure yellow effect.

It is a wonderfully free bloomer, and the flowers are very large. Price 40c each.

Flamingo. 4 feet. This is a truly magnificent new variety. Foliage dark green, and flowers of a deep rich crimson. It is an enormous bloomer, but its chief beauty lies in the peculiar shape of the flowers and buds, the former being very much recurved, and surrounding the stem in a peculiarly even manner, making one think of a Hyacinth spike. Price 40c each.

F. R. Pierson. 4 feet. One of the most perfect Cannas of its color ever raised. Foliage dark green, flowers of great size, and perfect form, with broad, well rounded petals, of the richest velvety crimson, with a golden center. Price 40c.

Golden Star. Introduced by Deane & Conrad Co., and an extra fine clear yellow Canna, with only a few red marks on the lower petal. It is very dwarf indeed, growing about two feet in height, and is fine for edging a bed of the taller sorts, and especially good as a pot plant. Price 25c.

Madame de Montefiore. 4 1/2 feet. All that is necessary to say of this fine new sort is that it is identical with Florence Vaugan in every respect, but that it is a somewhat stronger grower, and the flowers are larger, and of a brighter color. It is a most profuse bloomer, and can not be excelled as a spotted variety. Color, golden yellow, spotted crimson. Price 25c.

Midway. 4 1/2 feet. A strong grower, green foliage. A great bloomer. Color, rich vermillion, slightly streaked crimson, petals very broad, flowers immense, spike large and compact. A very fine new sort. Price 40c.

Standard Cannas.

Of sterling worth; all new sorts (excepting Robusta,) and every one selected for its good points, as we have tried to select, from the many sorts on our own grounds, a set that should contain the cream of all that are before the public. You will make no mistake in ordering any of these, and we believe there is nothing in the whole Catalog that will give you more satisfaction and pleasure.

Alphonse Bouvier. 5½ feet. Brilliant glowing crimson, of the largest size. A strong grower and profuse bloomer, spikes immense and produced in great numbers; fine for the center of large beds. 15c.

Charles Henderson. 4 feet. One of the finest Cannas grown. A dazzling, rich crimson of perfect form and large size; the color is perfection itself, and the habit everything that could be asked. Heads large, and a free bloomer. Dark green foliage. 20c.

Crostadt. A variety of surpassing beauty. Foliage of the very richest purple, while the flowers are of extraordinary size, and most wonderful color, a rich old gold, pencilled carmine; petals broad and well rounded, with beautifully crimped edges. Spikes large, and altogether the most distinct sort we grow. 25c.

Crown Jewell. 4 feet. Light yellow, evenly dotted with scarlet points. A great bloomer, and a fine yellow bedder, the effect being almost yellow. 20c.

Egandale. 4 feet. The best of all the dark leaved Cannas for bedding. The foliage is a brown-purple, and the plant sends up an extraordinary number of flower stalks, surmounted with compact heads of dark red flowers of good size, and a color that harmonizes beautifully with the foliage. It is an enormous bloomer, and the rows of this sort were a constant mass of color, excelling any other variety. Grand. 15c each.

Florence Vaughan. 5 feet. A splendid Canna, of large size and perfect form, the petals being broader and better rounded than in Mad. Crozy; color brilliant golden yellow, dotted with scarlet. It is a vigorous grower and free bloomer, and one of the best Cannas in cultivation. Price, 15c.

Francoise Crozy. 3½ feet. A very beautiful color, a nankeen orange, edged bright yellow. Very dwarf, and second only to Egandale as a free bloomer. Fine. Price, 20c.

M. Mesnier. 4 feet. Large, dark green leaves. Of a beautiful salmon-flesh tint, streaked rich orange, gold and pink; deep pink throat. Very vividly edged and indented with rich golden yellow. Very distinct, rich coloring, and an exceedingly free bloomer. 35c each.

Oriole. 3 feet. Rather similar to Queen Charlotte in color, but it is a stronger grower, freer bloomer and has larger heads and single flowers than that variety. The center of the flower is scarlet, with a broad band of golden yellow and it produces a fine effect as a bedder. It makes a better showing than Queen Charlotte, and is very satisfactory in every way. 30c each.

Queen Charlotte. 3 feet. This has been talked of more than any other Canna the past year and is surely a very distinct and showy one. The foliage is green, and the flowers are a bright scarlet, edged yellow very deeply, making a beautiful contrast. It is a very free bloomer, and makes very showy beds, while its dwarf habit makes it especially desirable for edging taller sorts. While we do not by any means consider this the finest of Cannas as some seem to think, it is very desirable indeed. 30c each.

One each of these 12 grand new Cannas, worth \$3.95 at the single price, for \$3.25.

George W. Childs. 3 feet. Long, Gladiolus-like spikes, style of Mad Crozy, but far brighter colors, though smaller in size. Fine for edging. 20c.

J. C. Vaughan. 4½ feet. Very large, clear vermillion orange flowers, large spikes, very free. The bright flowers contrast finely with the dark purple leaves. 20c each.

J. D. Cabos. 4½ feet. There has yet to be a better orange colored bedder introduced. Foliage brown purple, producing so many heads of bright orange colored flowers that a bed of it is always a mass of color. 15c each.

Madame Crozy. 4 feet. Very large scarlet-red, bordered with gold. Spikes large, of fine form, and a great bloomer. 15c each.

Martin Cahuzac. 4½ feet. Flowers as large and fine form as Florence Vaughan, color pale yellow, with light orange dots, foliage green. A very beautiful flower. 20c each.

Oriflamme. 3½ feet. Flowers a counterpart of Mad. Crozy, but much deeper in color, and with a more distinct gold border. A prodigious bloomer. 20c each.

Paul Marquant. 4 feet. Taken all around there is no better Canna. Stems stiff, foliage fine, rich green, flowers immense, five to six inches across, of a fine salmon, streaked crimson; a wonderful bloomer, and fine for cutting, as the flowers are so stiff. 15c each.

President Carnot. 5 feet. One of the finest purple leaved Cannas we have ever seen. The color of the leaves is indescribably rich, and the flowers are of the largest size, and of a peculiarly soft carmine-red. 25c each.

Sophie Buchner. A green leaved Canna of vigorous growth, bearing exceedingly large flowers of a soft vermillion, with a golden sheen. 20c each.

Sunshine. 4 feet. Much on the order of Paul Marquant; a color that lights up beautifully in the sun. 20c each.

Robusta. The only foliage Canna that we catalog. It grows to a height of ten or twelve feet, with leaves that are simply enormous, and is very useful in its place. 15c.

Any of these Cannas by the dozen at ten times the single price. Special prices per 100 for bedding upon application. One of each, \$2.75.

ROSES.

Without a doubt the Rose is the most loved and the most popular of all flowers to-day, and is becoming more so all the time. There is a grace about a half opened Rose-bud that scarcely any other possesses, and a dainty curl of the petals that we look for in vain elsewhere. The Rose is a flower of history; we find it mentioned centuries ago, and it has played its part in the stories and poetry of all ages. The use of Roses for all purposes is now well nigh universal, and we wonder how we could get along without them. Never have Roses been so cheap as now, and never before were such beautiful varieties offered, so that the finest sorts are within the reach of every one, and no home should be without its Roses, and that, too in variety and quantity. The following list is a *most careful selection of the very finest varieties* of Teas, Hybrids, Perpetuals and Climbers, and some of the varieties being new are rather high in price. Our motto is especially true in regard to the plants that we offer; "**Not the cheapest, but the best.**" Our plants are all strong and healthy, and carefully packed. Six plants of a kind for the price of five.

Don't buy Your Fall Bulbs till you see our Catalog.

EVERBLOOMERS AND TEAS.

THE MERMET SET.

Of all Roses there are none that are more beautiful than the "Mermet" Roses. Their form is perfection itself, so lovely are they in color as well, that there are more of them grown for cut-flowers than of all other sorts combined. They are truly IDEAL Roses, and the exquisite form and beauty of the half opened buds cannot possibly be described. They are all of the easiest culture, and will give great satisfaction.

Catherine Mermet. This is the parent of the other varieties, and produces buds that are almost inimitable, while the color is exquisite, of a soft silvery pink, shading to rich pink. It has been called "The Rose of all Roses." The buds are long and pointed and of delicate fragrance. 10c each; strong two-year-old plants 35c each.

The Bride. The best and most popular of all the multitude of white Roses, is this ivory-white sport from the Mermet, and it possesses all the beauties and graces of its illustrious parent. The flowers are very large and double, and borne upon long stiff stems, and last a long time when cut. 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Bridesmaid. Until this new Tea Rose came out a couple of years since, the Catherine Mermet was "the" pink Rose for Winter blooming, but already the Bridesmaid has largely superseded it, on account of the richness of its color being two or three shades deeper, and yet wonderfully delicate. This makes it specially desirable in dark, Winter weather, when light, pink Roses come very pale; at such times this Rose keeps up its superb color, so that it is greatly sought after by flower buyers. 15c each; strong two-year-old plants, 40c each.

One Each of these Three Sterling Roses for 30c.

In Large, two year old Plants, \$1.00.

Other Teas and Everbloomers.

Beaute Inconstante. A Rose that changes its color. A wonderful Rose, ranging in color from yellow to crimson. This Rose is almost identical with "Child's Jewel," but we think it a much better Rose. Its color is really striking, the same bush showing at one time flowers of deep pink, light rose, copper yellow, mottled yellow, and light and dark crimson, while even several colors are mingled in one flower. Both buds and open flowers are beautiful, and a large plant in full bloom is a sight that will attract great attention anywhere. It is a constant blooming Tea Rose, and its fragrance is delightful. Do not fail to try one. Price 25c each; strong two-year-old plants, 60c each.

Crown Princess Victoria. Every one wants a good, white Rose, and many have been the white, hardy Roses that have been offered, but for one reason or another they have failed to fill the bill. This really excellent sort is almost a counterpart of the celebrated "Malmalson" Rose, and is at last a **HARDY WHITE ROSE** that will give satisfaction. The flowers are large and full, and the buds of beautiful shape. The color is a pure, waxy, snow-white, with just a suggestion of a lemon tint in the center that lights it up beautifully. It is a vigorous grower, and the foliage is large and fine. In short, it is "the" hardy white Rose, and especially is it unexcelled for cemetery planting. We recommend this unreservedly. Price 15c each; strong two-year-old plants, 40c each.

Champion of the World. This a Rose for everybody. As its name indicates, it is a Champion among Roses. It is a champion bloomer, commencing as soon as potted from the sand, and gives the greatest profusion of bloom, either summer or winter, so that its introducer claims that it will produce during the season ten times as many flowers as any Tea Rose. It is a perpetual bloomer, and plants that have bloomed all Summer in the open ground, will, if taken up and potted, soon make a new growth, and bloom all Winter. While such a perpetual bloomer, it is as hardy as an oak, and needs not the slightest protection, even in the most Northern States, while it is ahead of almost any sort to commence blooming in the Spring. We have been especially struck with its surprising vigor of growth, its abundant foliage being a pleasure to look at, and being **ABSOLUTELY MILDEW PROOF**, under all conditions. It is also a champion in fragrance, being rich and delicious, as well in Winter as in Summer, and the blossoms are perfectly double to the center, and of perfect shape, while the color is a deep, rosy pink, that is rich and bright at the same time, and its size very large for an Everbloomer, being often as large as a Hybrid Perpetual. It will give the greatest satisfaction where an iron-clad, hardy Rose is wanted. Price 15c each; strong two-year-old plants, 45c each.

Dinsmore. While this Rose belongs to the Hybrid Perpetual class, we place it here on account of its great blooming qualities. The flowers are large, perfectly double, and of a dazzling scarlet-crimson color, and have the rich, spicy fragrance of the Hybrid Roses, while the bushes are literally loaded with the large flowers all summer long, excelling many of the tender Everbloomers. It is very hardy indeed, and is a great Rose. Price 20c each; strong two-year-old plants, 50c each.

Etoile de Lyon. A magnificent Tea Rose of a rich golden yellow color; a strong grower, and an immense bloomer, producing its flowers all the Summer. Remarkably hardy for a Tea, often standing the Winters here without any protection. Price 10c each; two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Hermosa. Absolutely hardy, continuous bloomer. Of a bright, fresh shell pink, and of most perfect cupped form. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Madame de Watteville. The "Tulip Rose." One of the most beautiful varieties ever sent out. It is of an unusual shade of creamy yellow, while the tip of each petal is distinctly bordered with crimson, making a vivid and beautiful contrast. It is a vigorous grower, and a profuse bloomer. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Marion Dinger. This is a new Tea Rose, of a rich crimson color and unique form, that can scarcely be equalled for great profusion of bloom. On this account it makes a splendid bedding Rose, and will become more popular as it becomes better known. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Mlle. Franceska Kreuger. Take this one for richness. It is one of the very best of all Tea Roses in every respect, and the color is a deep coppery yellow, of the richest imaginable shade. Price, 10c each; strong two-year-old plants 35c each.

Maman Cochet. A wonderful new Everblooming Rose, of a deep rose without, and a beautiful silvery rose within, shaded with golden yellow. It has been pronounced **BY FAR THE BEST ROSE THAT HAS BEEN INTRODUCED FROM FRANCE IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS.** Its Mermet-like buds are large and shapely, and borne on long, stiff stems, while the flower is of the largest size, finely rounded and very double. Do not fail to try it. Price 20c each; strong two-year-old plants, 50c each.

Perle des Jardins. This is "the" yellow Rose of the present day, there being far more of this sort raised than of all other yellows combined. It is almost a counterpart of that royal Rose the Marechal Neil, with the advantage that it can be grown out of doors and will bloom all season, requiring only a moderate protection in the Winter. Its great full buds are of the richest shade of golden yellow, and full to the center, while it is the freest blooming of all the Teas. It is simply **INDISPENSABLE.** Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Teas and Everbloomers

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Princess Beatrice. A beautiful color; canary yellow, edged bright rose, while the petals roll gracefully back, disclosing an apricot center, making a combination of color that is rarely seen. It is a healthy grower, and great bloomer, and one of the best garden Roses to be found. Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 30c each.

Princess Sagan. Probably the richest colored of any of the deep crimson Roses. The color is brilliant in the extreme, and so velvety that it well deserves the name of "The Velvet Rose." Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 40c each.

Queen's Scarlet. The very best of all red Roses for bedding, the flowers being of large size, and a fiery scarlet in color, while it is perfectly hardy, and so free in bloom is it, that a bed of it rivals a Geranium bed in color. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Senator McNaughton. This is the "White Perle," a pure ivory white counterpart of that popular Rose, and is a real beauty. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Snowflake. A pure white Tea Rose, that is remarkable for its free blooming qualities, a hundred and forty three buds and blossoms having been counted on a plant only nine months old. It makes a good pot Rose. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Souvenir de Malmaison. This grand old variety is unequalled for producing large, fully double flowers during the hot summer weather. They are of immense size double to the center, and of an exquisite, bright flesh pink. A grand Rose. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Sunset. A sport from the Perle des Jardins, of the same wonderful free blooming qualities, but of a deep copper yellow, too rich to describe. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Viscountess Folkestone. An enormous Rose of delicate flesh white, shining like satin, and sweet scented as well. We pronounce it almost without a peer among the light-colored Tea Roses, and its beauty is captivating. Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 40c each.

HYBRID TEAS.

These Hybrids between the Teas and Hardy Roses are among the most beautiful of Roses, possessing the fine form of the Teas to a great extent, and the fragrance and hardiness of the other parents. Of all, the most popular (and deservedly so) are

The La France Roses.

They are of the most perfect form, the petals recurving gracefully, while the size is immense, and the fragrance the richest and most delicious of all Roses.

La France. The original of this type. Exquisite silvery rose shading to pink within, and rich pink without. It blooms continually through the season, and is useful in every way that a Rose can be used. It is hardy beyond question, and in this latitude requires no protection whatever. It is a Rose that you "must" have—some others can be dispensed with, but not this. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

White La France. (Augustine Guinnoisseau. The delicacy of coloring of this superb sort is simply indescribable. It is of a pure, pearly white within, with a satin sheen over its petals, and the reverse is just a suggestion of pink—only a tint. Its fragrance is as delicious and powerful as that of its parent, the La France, and the two sisters vie with each other for the title of the "Queen of Roses." Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 45c each.

Red La France. Duchess of Albany. This is identical with the two preceding excepting in color, which is a deep, rich pink, almost a real red, very bright and strong. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 40c each.

Striped La France. Mad. Angellique Veyssett. The same as La France, excepting that the outside of the petals is satinpink, distinctly striped with bright rose. Price, 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

One Each of these Four Grand La France Roses for 40c. One each of strong, two-year-old plants for \$1.25.

OTHER HYBRID TEAS.

Caroline Testout. A fine new Rose that resembles La France, but is of a more brilliant color, and has a peculiar shell shape to the petals that makes it very attractive. The color is a satiny rose, edged with a clear, fresh silver rose tint, and the flower is exceedingly large. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Kaiserin Augusta Victoria. This is boldly claimed by some to be the best white Rose in the world; however this may be, it is a royal sort, and not only are the buds perfection itself, but the full opened flower all that could be asked, so full as to show no center, and of a pure snowy white throughout, while the fragrance is rich and sweet. This Rose has a great future before it. Price, 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 45c each.

Mad. Schwallier. This Rose has the strong growth, and perfect finish of flowers of the Hybrid Perpetuals, and is one of the Roses that are perfect when in full bloom. It is exceedingly rich in perfume, and the very large flowers are of a bright rosy flesh, very pure and clear; deepening toward the edge of the petals. Price 10c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 35c each.

Meteor. A velvety red Rose that is an everbloomer and at the same time as fine as a Hybrid. It is of medium size and the glowing petals recurve finely, making it beautiful either in bud or full bloom. Price 10c each; strong two-year-old plants, 40c each.

Pierre Guillot. Very large, double, highly scented flowers of a bright, dazzling crimson. This ranks with the VERY BEST of Everbloomers, and is in bloom the whole season. Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants 40c each.

Souvenir de Wootten. A new variety of brilliant velvety red, a most delicious perfume and one of the most prolific bloomers in existence, every shoot containing a bud. One of the finest Roses grown in all respects. Price 15c each; strong, two-year-old plants, 45c each.

You Think it Curious, Don't You?

That each of the above Roses has been described as if it were the finest Rose that ever grew, and perhaps you accuse us of exaggerating in order to sell them, but the truth of it is, they are ALL veritable QUEENS, having been selected from hundreds of sorts as the VERY BEST of their respective classes and colors, and they justify every word said about them, when well grown.

For Cheap Rose Collections. See Page 27.

HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES.

This section contains the largest and finest of all Roses, and they are so hardy, that when you plant them you are sure of Roses every year without further trouble. They are, however, not as continuous bloomers as the Teas and Everbloomers, but produce enormous quantities of flowers when they are in bloom.

American Beauty. The most popular forcing Rose grown; the single flowers bringing a dollar or more each at Christmas time. It is of a deep, rosy crimson color, exceedingly sweet, and of truly immense size, sometimes near six inches in diameter. 20c each; two year old, 60c each.

General Jacqueminot. A rich, velvety crimson, and scarcely has a rival in intense fragrance and richness of color. 10c each; strong two year old plants 35c each.

Giant of Battles. Very large, double, full and sweet, of a deep, velvety blood red. 15c each; two year old plants 40c each.

Glorie de Lyonnaise. This grand Rose is the only yellow Hybrid Perpetual that we have. It is a pale shade of salmon yellow, passing to a rich creamy white, and finely tinted orange and fawn. As beautiful as a Tea Rose, and large, full and delightfully sweet. 15c each; strong two year old plants 50c each.

Kad. Plantier. An old standby of iron-clad constitution; hardy as an oak, and having few equals where a hardy white Rose is needed. 10c each; strong two year old plants 40c each.

Magna Charta. A bright, clear pink, flushed with crimson. Extra large. 10c each; strong two year old plants 35c each.

Mad. Joseph Desbois. A most desirable sort, flowers very large and double, buds having been grown four inches through. It is a pure snow-white of a waxy texture. 20c each; two year old plants, 60c each.

Oscar II., King of Sweden. The richest Rose ever grown, being almost black; and of heavy velvety texture. 20c each; strong two year old plants 50c each.

Paul Neyron. One of the largest of all Roses; of a deep, shining rose color. Quite hardy. 10c each; strong two year old plants 40c each.

Ulrich Brunner. A large, finely cupped Rose, of bright cherry red, and very fragrant. A most excellent Rose. Price 15c each; strong two year old plants 45c each.

Vick's Caprice. The ground color of this, the only brightly striped, hardy Rose, is a very pale Tesh, and the contrasting stripes are of a deep satiny pink. It is very fragrant, and of the largest size, making it in all the oddest and most unique Rose in cultivation. 15c each; strong two year old plants 40c each.

POLYANTHA ROSES.

Clothilde Soupert. (The Giant Polyantha.) This is a cross between the Tea and Polyantha sections, with unusually happy results, as it has acquired the size and beauties of the Tea Rose without losing the free blooming qualities of the Polyantha. The flowers are from two and a half to three inches in diameter, and wonderfully double and compact, and are borne in great clusters of six to a dozen large flowers in one head, while the color is charming, varying from almost snow-white to deep rich pink. It is a grand bedder and a splendid winter-bloomer, producing many times as many flowers in the house as any Tea Rose, and there is absolutely NO Rose in the catalog that we more unreservedly and heartily commend. We can honestly say, that whatever other Rose you leave from the list, you should certainly have this. 10c each; strong two year old plants 35c.

Special prices on this and the other Polyantha Roses for bedding by the dozen and hundred given on application.

Blanche Rebatat. Blooms in large clusters, of a deep crimson color, sometimes thirty or forty flowers in a single cluster. 10c each; strong two year old plants 30c each.

Mignonette. Clear, delicate rose tint, mingled with white. 10c each; two year old plants 30c each.

Mlle. Cecil Brunner. Salmon pink with deep salmon center. 10c each; two year old plants 30c each.

Piquette. Pure white about an inch in diameter. 10c each; two year old plants 30c each.

A Type of Hybrid Perpetual Rose.

CLIMBING ROSES.

Marechal Neil. The finest yellow Rose in existence the buds are of enormous size, perfect form and delicious fragrance. A splendid climber for the South, but not hardy in the North. 10c each; larger plants at special prices.

Baltimore Belle. White, delicately tinted light carmine. A most beautiful hardy climber. 10c each; large plants 35c.

Climbing Perle. All that is necessary to say, is that this is a "Climbing Perle" for this describes it. 15c each; strong two year old plants, 45c each.

Crimson Rambler. This is THE novelty in Roses; a Japanese, hardy climbing Rose that bears an incredible number of bright crimson flowers, as many as three hundred having been counted at one time on a single branch. Price 20c each.

Mary Washington. A snow-white, seedling Rose raised by the "Father of his Country" on his home place at Mount Vernon. A great bloomer and a pretty thing. 15c each.

Prairie Queen. Clear, bright pink, large and very double; blooms in clusters. 10c each; strong plants 30c.

MOSS ROSES.

Crimson Globe. Rich deep crimson, well mossed. 20c.

White Bath. Extra fine, large and pure white. 20c each.

Rosa Wichuriana.

A trailing Rose, covering the ground with a mass of deep green foliage; creamy white, single flowers. 10c each.

Notice that BOTH Large and Small Roses are POSTPAID at Prices Named.

THE GREAT PRIZE
WINNER OF '95.

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Chrysanthemums

Twenty years ago who would have thought of such a thing as a Chrysanthemum Show? and the wildest stretch of imagination then would not have dreamed of the perfection to which the Queen of Autumn has been brought. No other flower even divides the honors during her season. Great balls of snowy white or golden yellow, rosy pink, delicate blush and deep crimson, beside a thousand shades between, held up on tall stiff stems, challenge the gaze of the beholder. Sometimes two or more distinct colors appear in one flower, one side of the petal being perhaps bright crimson and the other golden yellow; again the form changes and the petals are disposed in flat discs or ragged clusters. Some have an idea that it is impossible for ordinary people to raise fine Chrysanthemums, but this is a great mistake. You can do it if you want to; just plant them out in good rich soil, keep them thoroughly watered in dry weather, pinch back into good shape and remove the surplus buds in the Autumn. They may be carefully lifted into large pots in September, or will bloom finely in open ground, if protected from heavy frosts by canvas or other light protection hung on a frame above them. The finest specimens, however, are generally grown in pots during the whole season. Remember two things: they are great feeders and thirsty plants as well. Our list is short but has been selected with the greatest care, and contains a number of wonderfully fine varieties that may be grown by amateurs. The prices are stated opposite each plant. Six plants of a sort may be had for the price of five.

EIGHT GRAND New Chrysanthemums.

Fisher's Torch. The finest of all reds, of a pure deep color, that is different in tone from any red variety. 25c.

Marion Henderson. The best early yellow Chrysanthemum yet offered. Its earliness makes it especially suitable for those who wish flowers out of doors early without the trouble of protecting. The first flowers open about October 10th, and it is in full bloom for a month, the flowers being of a rich yellow. Price 15c each.

Mayflower. A superb variety of immense size, with incurving, twisted petals, and a peculiar square top, the shape and size making one think of a mass of snow turned out from a wooden bucket. It takes, of course, liberal treatment to produce such flowers, but they are well worth the trouble. 15c each.

Miss Florence Pullman. Extra fine, pure white, deep and broad, of beautiful color and shape. 15c each.

Miss M. M. Johnson. A very dwarf new white, growing only three feet high, and very early, being ready to cut October 10th, while its fine form, and deep golden color, mark it as a leader among the early sorts. 25c each.

Mrs. Henry Robinson. A great white flower of perfect form, and very large and full. It has also the merit of being a very early bloomer, coming in about the 5th of October. It is of fine substance and very lasting. 25c each.

Mrs. S. T. Murdock. Received certificate at the Chicago Exhibition, and also at Indianapolis, and described at Chicago as, "Improvement over any existing tones of light rose or pink all things considered." It is a good-sized flower, of an exquisite pink color, finely formed. 15c.

Philadelphia. The sensation of the year in Chrysanthemums. It is a large Japanese, of perfect globular form, the tips of the petals twisted like talons, and of an entirely new shade, a lemon-straw tint, that is exceedingly delicate and pretty. It came out last spring, and has won certificates and first premiums all over the country. By all means do not fail to try this, if it is only one you have. See large engraving on opposite page. Price 25c each.

The set of 8 Chrysanthemums which would cost singly \$1.60, for \$1.25.

OSTRICH PLUME SET.

These unique Chrysanthemums are so called from the fact that the petals are covered with fine hairs, giving the whole flower a plummy appearance that is particularly attractive.

Enfant des Deux Mondes. (Child of Two Worlds.) A magnificent sport from Louis Bochner, of the purest white and a grand large flower. Price 15c.

Golden Hair. Rich golden yellow, good size and form, A new golden yellow that is a great improvement on that color, among the plumed sorts. Price 15c each.

Louis Bochner. A rich, deep pink, and the best of its color. Price 10c each.

Mrs. Higginbotham. Enormous bright pink, broad spreading, Japanese variety with extremely wide cupping and incurving petals which are covered with glandular hairs. Was shown at Chicago exceeding eleven inches in diameter, and reported as the largest and best hairy variety ever exhibited. Awarded a certificate at Chicago and Philadelphia. Price 25c each.

Wm. Falconer. A splendid flower of large size, and a delicate pale, peach pink. Beautiful. 10c each.

One each of this set of 5 Ostrich Plume Chrysanthemums which would cost 75c at single rates, for 60c.

One each of these two sets, the 8 grand new varieties above and the 5 Ostrich Plumes that would cost \$2.35 singly, for only \$1.75.

GENERAL LIST.

These are not common old sorts but the very finest to be found outside of the high priced novelties, and we have used the utmost care in selecting them, to have a list on which everyone is again. The price is uniformly 8 cents each except where mentioned.

Bride of Roses. Bright silvery rose, somewhat reflexed, center petals radiating and lighter. Very free bloomer.

Elkhorn. Flesh color, petals lined with crimson, and oddly forked at the ends like the horn of an elk.

Eugene Dilledouze. Simply enormous, making a great mass of very broad, incurved petals of the richest golden yellow imaginable. A GRAND sort; late bloomer. 15c each.

George W. Childs. Deep, rich velvety crimson slightly showing the gold-buff reverse of the petals. Fine.

Golden Wedding. A grand variety, of the deepest, richest golden yellow, that reaches an enormous size. It has proved a great prize winner, and is the king of all yellow sorts. The form is unique, the outer petals drooping irregularly, while the center is built high with broad petals irregularly overlaid, so that there is no appearance of heaviness about the flower. It has swept everything before it as an exhibition flower. When well grown is magnificent. 10c.

Chrysanthemum, Good Gracious.

Good Gracious. (See cut.) A flesh tinted flower with long round, curiously twisted petals. Large, and odd. 10c.

Hicks Arnold. Very large incurved, rich old gold color. Densely double, and rich in coloring.

H. L. Sunderbruch. A light yellow, of truly immense size, and very broad, ribbon-like petals. It is one of the best for cutting, and a fine exhibition variety. 10c each.

Ivory. Very dwarf, flowers of purest white, a great snowball. A prime favorite for cut flowers, and fine for exhibition. Probably the most popular of all whites.

Judge Hoitt. The greatest break in seedlings of recent years. An immense "Anemone," reaching a diameter of seven or eight inches; color, pearl pink, the broad incurving outer petals enclosing like a saucer a broad disk of central florets of trumpet shape. 15c each.

Major Bonaffon. A wonderfully fine new variety, densely incurved, forming a pointed ball of clear yellow of large size. The form is perfect. A great prize taker. 10c.

Minerva. An enormous new sort, a light clear yellow color, and full, graceful form. One of the very best. 15c.

Mlle. F. Bergman. The best early white, being ready to cut the first week of October. Flowers are a ball of white.

Mrs. E. G. Hill. A very early sort, ready October 12. Peach pink, incurved, seven to eight inches. Very fine.

Mrs. J. G. Whillidin. A very early pure yellow, and specially desirable on that account.

Niveus. A grand exhibition variety, of snowy whiteness, center beautifully whorled at first, but when fully open it is a great ball. Petals broad, and habit fine.

Pitcher & Mauda. Flat reflexed Japanese. The outer five or six rows of petals are white, and the center rich yellow, making a striking contrast. Very distinct. 10c each.

Pres. Wm. R. Smith. A magnificent incurved variety on pale peach pink, and wonderful beauty.

The Queen. Grand double incurved, of gigantic size and perfect form. Winner of first prizes everywhere. Pure white. 10c.

Vivian Morell. Bright, soft pink; center petals stand erect, and outer ones drooping. This makes an immense flower, and has perhaps taken more premiums the past two or three years than any other pink variety.

Yellow Queen. A large early yellow. Very good.

Hardy Yellow. Perfectly hardy, golden yellow. Every garden should have this in the hardy border.

One each of these 22 fine varieties, amounting to \$2.53 at single price, for \$1.75.

One each of all the varieties on this page, worth \$4.87 singly, for \$3.00.

Twenty-five Chrysanthemums, STRICTLY our selection, not one poor sort among them, for \$1.00.

NEW HARDY PINK, "Her Majesty."

The Carnation of late has become the most popular cut flower with the exception of the Rose, and the one drawback to its cultivation by the masses of flower lovers is the fact that it is not quite hardy. We have at last a perfect substitute for it in this grand New Hardy Pink, one of the finest novelties of the century. It is quite hardy, needs no protection, and blooms profusely in the months of May and June. The flowers are pure white in color, very double, borne on long stiff stems, and possessing the exquisite clove-scented fragrance of the true Carnations, while it rivals them in size and substance. It is a wonderful bloomer, producing immense masses of flowers. You will be delighted with it. 15c each, 4 for 50c, \$1.40 doz.

Carnations.

The Carnation possesses every quality necessary to a useful and favorite flower, and is cultivated more and more extensively each year. The flowers are sometimes of the most intensely brilliant colors, while again the tints are of fairy-like delicacy; they are of good size, carried upon long stiff stems making them unexcelled for wearing while the fragrance is rich and delicious in the extreme. They will grow and produce a profusion of bloom in almost any soil, but not being quite hardy, should be carefully lifted and potted in September, when they will bloom continuously throughout the winter. If not kept too warm and dry. The number of their varieties is legion, but we have endeavored to select a short list that will embrace fine flowers of the most distinct and pleasing colors; in other words these are not cheap sorts, but several are quite *new and expensive*—they have been selected for *quality* and not cheapness. Six of one sort for the price of five.

Lizzie McGowan. A beautiful pure white of perfect outline and splendid form. The flowers are of immense size, and borne on long slender stems. 10c each.

Buttercup. Very large and double, deep rich yellow, slightly streaked carmine. A continuous bloomer, of healthy, robust growth. The standard yellow. 15c.

Helen Keller. A wonderfully beautiful flower of the very largest size; a strong healthy grower, and exceedingly free bloomer, color clear white delicately and evenly marked with bright scarlet. A new sort and expensive yet. 15c.

American Flag. The brightest variegated Carnation grown; ground color creamy white, heavily and sharply marked with carmine. 10c each.

SEASHELL Carnation.

Daybreak. To our notion the most beautiful in color of all Carnations; it is a most lovely pale pink, so delicate as to suggest its name "Daybreak," a wonderfully beautiful tint. Flowers very large. 10c each.

Madame Diaz Albertina. A new variety of great size and perfect form, flowers very large, round and full, of a light flesh pink with rich clove fragrance. 15c each.

Tidal Wave. Fine deep pink; a brilliant color and a very profuse bloomer. 15c each.

Fred Dörner. An enormous flower three inches or more in diameter, of a deep velvety red. The petals are finely fringed and it is a constant and free bloomer and vigorous grower. 10c each.

Malmesbury. An enormous Carnation, often reaching four inches in diameter, of a deep rich color, and intensely fragrant. It is exceedingly popular in London for cut flowers but scarce in this country. Very fine indeed. 15c each.

Puritan. A fine pure white variety of good size, and free blooming qualities. 15c each.

The Stuart. A very vigorous grower, with a color like that found in some scarlet geraniums. The flowers are borne very freely on long, stiff stems. 15c each.

Mrs. Harrison. A free-blooming sort with white flowers, slightly striped pink. 10c each.

Wm. Scott. The "Pink of Pinks," as it has been well called. The flowers are of a rich Grace Winder pink, and it is the freest blooming Carnation of the color. Stems long and stiff. Extra fine. 15c each.

SEASHELL. Our introduction of last year. An exquisite shade of silvery rose when fully opened, but much deeper at first. The flowers are of fine size, it is a free bloomer, and the color is really charming, reminding one of the delicate pink tint of a seashell. 15c each.

One Each of these 13 kinds for \$1.40.

Packets FULL of seeds often mean Cheap Stock.

BEGONIAS.

The almost innumerable varieties of the Begonia compose a class of plants that are unequalled for general cultivation, when beautiful foliage and delicate flowers are wanted, and this has made them the most popular of all window plants, and they are becoming more so continually as new sorts are being found, or produced by the skill of the hybridizer. There are hundreds upon hundreds of varieties, and each has its own charms, and so great is the variation in form that a collection of them is a perpetual source of pleasure and gratification to the eye. One of their chief recommendations is the ease with which many sorts can be grown and propagated, and their care in the Winter is of the simplest description—do not overwater, and keep them moderately warm. From the bewildering multitude of forms we have endeavored to select some of the best sorts that at the same time can readily be grown by those who have not much skill in floriculture, and there are few plants that we can more unreservedly recommend. Some of the sorts, while good growers, are slow to propagate, and give but few cuttings, and therefore are always scarce, and comparatively high, but most of them are offered at very reasonable prices. These prices are all for good well-rooted plants that will do well if properly cared for.

Argentea Guttata. Purple bronze leaves, with bright spots of silver thickly covering them, and producing quantities of white flowers in large panicles. Of exceptionally easy growth, making fine specimen plants in a surprisingly short time.....10c

Bertha de Chateaufort. A very free bloomer, with bright currant-red flowers.....10c

Dewdrop. On the Semperflorens type, but smaller foliage and as a bloomer it is simply wonderful, being always covered with its pretty white flowers.....10c

Feastii. To our mind this makes finer specimen plants than most any other sort. The large leaves are almost round and very thick and leathery, dark glossy green above, and red below. Pale pink flowers; fine for window culture. A grand plant.....20c

Incarnata Rosea. Without exception the best early winter bloomer, being literally covered with its clear rose flowers before Christmas. Beautiful.....15c

Glory of Lucerne. A tall growing sort on the Pres. Carnot style. The large leaves are of a satiny green above, and a peculiar orange shade beneath.....15c

Marguerite. A rapid grower much like Metallica, but the leaf is smaller and more elongated. It is very easy indeed to grow, and bears cream white flowers.....10c

M. de Lesseps. Leaf spotted like Argentea Guttata, but about four times as large. A free growing variety, with very large waxy white flowers.....20c

Metallica. A truly elegant variety; its glossy leaves shaded with olive and crimson, and with a metallic lustre. Its large flowers are of a peach pink, covered with crimson hairs. Makes one of the very finest pot plants.....25 and 10c

Madame Lionett. A striking new sort, the leaves being deep crimson clear through, and the pale pink flowers of great size. The most extraordinary in coloring of all Begonias.....25c

Nitida Alba. An exceptionally rapid grower, bearing many small white flowers.....10c

Otto Hacker. A new seedling Begonia, on the Pres. Carnot type, with large fresh green leaves, and great trusses of extra large flowers of a bright coral red.....20c

Paul Bruant. A large bushy sort, that bears a great profusion of white flowers from November to May.....20c

Pres. Carnot. A tall growing variety, with very large, long leaves that shine like satin and are covered with silver spots. The flowers are simply immense, and of the deepest glowing crimson if grown warm.....20c

Robusta. A rapid growing Begonia of the easiest culture with red flowers.....10c

Rubra. The greatest favorite of them all. It will soon grow several feet high, and bears great clusters of its bright coral-red flowers. The foliage is a deep green, very heavy and waxy. Should be in every collection.....10c

Sandersonii. This is the "Coral Begonia," and is one of the best bloomers. The stems are slender, and the leaves small and waxy, and the flowers a scarlet crimson color.....10c

Begonia Argentea Guttata.

Sanguinea. A very distinct variety, with large, thick leathery leaves, the upper side a rich olive, the under side crimson. Flowers white. Very attractive.....15c

Semperflorens Gigantea Rosea. A superb strong upright grower, with thick stems, and many clusters of glowing scarlet-crimson flowers. Very fine indeed.....20c

Thurstoni. A Begonia with unusually beautiful leaves, being a cross between B. Metallica and B. Sanguinea, having the smooth shining surface of Sanguinea, and the deep veinings of Metallica. Flowers a clear pink.....15c

Vernon. A Begonia that stands the sun like a Geranium, and makes a grand bedder, especially for edging beds of taller plants. In the hot sun the light green leaves become a red-bronze, and the flowers are a deep, glowing crimson. This is really a grand acquisition. Per 100, \$6.00; each.....10c

Washingtonia Rosea. Leaves round, something like Feastii, but rougher, and slightly pointed. A great bloomer in winter, producing many clusters of pretty light pink flowers.....10c

Weltoniensis Alba. A graceful delicate Begonia, with tuberous roots, and small, satiny leaves, covered in summer with small, pure white flowers.....10c

Wettsteinii. An upright grower, with foliage somewhat resembling Rubra, but smaller, bearing great panicles of coral-red flowers larger than Rubra. Fine.....15c

REX BEGONIAS.

The "King" of Begonias. Grand foliage plants, and easily grown, the markings of the large leaves being in rich shades of green, olive, silver, gray purple, and many other tints. We offer the best new sorts, though unnamed, at the price of eight for \$1.00; each.....15c

For Tuberous Begonias, see page 57.

ATLANTIC, MASS., Aug. 14, 1895.

The Tuberous Begonia you sent me has proved to be a pink one. The blossoms measure 5 1/4 by 4 1/4, without spreading out flat, and is the wonder of the neighborhood. Price does not cut any figure when goods prove so well.

G. ARTHUR GRAY.

GALVESTON, TEXAS, March 29, 1895.

I received the plants yesterday, in as fine a condition as ever I had any from anywhere before; the leafage is splendid, and I am very much pleased with them.

MRS. MARY M. JAEGER

JONESBORO, GA., April 4, 1895.

I am delighted with what you sent. Thanks for promptness and extras. I like your style of doing business.

MRS. T. E. FELL

Geraniums.

They need no description, for everyone knows them as the most popular bedding plants grown for pot plants and for winter blooming they stand at the top. Anyone can raise them; you just have to plant them in a good sunny place, and they will take care of themselves, though they well repay care and water. Do not confound these sorts with those offered at a nickel apiece, for these are not old, worthless, antedated sorts, but the best and newest, and their beauty is wonderful. First let us call your attention to

The Wonder, which we think, without exception, the finest single Geranium ever grown. The florets are simply immense; we have measured them five-eighths of an inch larger than a silver dollar, and the trusses are from four to six inches in diameter, while it is a marvelous bloomer. But its chief beauty lies in its color, which is an extraordinary brilliant orange-scarlet, so intense as to dazzle the eye, and of lovely purity. It is truly **A WONDER**, and should be included in every order. 20c each.

SINGLE.

Katie Schultz. Beautiful rosy pink. Single. 10c each.
Mrs. E. G. Hill. The finest single salmon, of immense size and delicate color. 15c each.

Queen Olga. The most beautiful single pink Geranium we have ever seen, of a deep rich, clear rose color. 10c each.

Mrs. J. M. Gaar. Single, snow white. A dandy shaped flower, and as free a bloomer as a scarlet Geranium, so that it is used for white in Park bedding. Fine. 10c each.

Souvenir de Mirande. Single. Upper petals white, with rosy pink border, lower ones salmon-rose. 10c each.

DOUBLE.

Beaute Poitevine. A double Mrs. Hill, of immense size and most beautiful salmon tint. Superb. 15c each.

Centaur. Double, rich pink, trusses of gigantic size, as many as sixty florets having been counted in one truss. Has been pronounced the finest Geranium out. 20c each.

Essile de Girardin. Double deep soft rose, of a rarely delicate tint, and fine for bedding. 10c each.

Fire Brand. Double. Dazzling fiery scarlet; a splendid bedder, and strong grower. 10c each.

Brnaut. Double, bright red, very large and free. Gener-

ally considered the best of its color. 10c each.

Glorie de France. Very double, creamy white, with distinct carmine center. Fine for pot plant. 10c each.

Marvel. Very large, double crimson scarlet, a rich, glowing color, and one of the best bloomers. 10c each.

Mrs. A. B. Wood. Double, purple-crimson, very free. 10c each.

Mad. Ayme Chevreliere. The best and freest blooming of all the double whites, so much so that it makes an excellent bedder. Flowers large, and of perfect form. 15c each.

Mad. Hoste. Double white with pink center. 10c each.

S. A. Nutt. This is a grand sort, of the deepest glowing velvety crimson, perfectly double and the most profuse bloomer of all the dark Geraniums. A grand bedder and far ahead of anything in this color. 15c each.

Sir Walter Scott. Double, rich red. 10c each.

New Rosebud Geranium. "Jewell." An extraordinary introduction the petals being rolled up like a perfect miniature rosebud. Perfectly double, rich crimson. 15c each.

M. Louis Fages. Double, orange scarlet. 10c each.

One each of these 20 distinct Geraniums for \$2.00. No further discount on this offer.

Rose Scented. Delightful fragrance. 10c each.

Mrs. Taylor. Likenbove in foliage, scarlet. 10c each.

Oak Leaved. Green leaves, with black center. 10c each.

Peppermint Scented. Thick leaves like velvet, making a mat of green velvet on the ground. Color very distinct. A rare Geranium that attracts great attention. 20c each.

IVY GERANIUMS.

Galilee. Immense trusses of double rosy pink flowers. 10c each.

Joan of Arc. Perfectly double, white as snow, and literally cover the plant when in bloom. Foliage waxy green. Grand. 15c each.

Souv. Chas. Turner. Immense double flowers, sometimes two-and-a-half inches across, and trusses of great size. The finest of the Ivy Leaved Geraniums. Carmine rose color. 15c each.

P. Crozy. A hybrid between the Ivy and Zonale Geraniums, brilliant scarlet, very large and double. A fine thing. 15c each.

One each of these 3 Ivy Geraniums for 50c. No further discount allowed on this offer.

VERBENAS.

The Verberna is a favorite bedding plant with all who have ever tried it. It covers the ground with a mat of finely cut, rich green foliage, which is thickly covered with large trusses of flowers of the richest and most brilliant crimsons, scarlets and purples, deep blues, soft pinks and snowy whites, while some of the flowers are vividly striped scarlet, crimson or purple on a white ground. We take pleasure in offering the plants from the improved strain of seed that we have sown this year, and heartily recommend these Verbenas, not only for bedding, but for use in baskets and vases, as few things will stand heat and drouth better.

We offer the plants in separate colors, scarlet, purple, pink, white and striped, at 8 cents each, 80 cents per dozen, by mail, or 6 cents each, 60 cents per dozen, \$4.00 per 100 by express.

We also offer a splendid mixture of colors, from one of the best strains in the country, at 7 cents each, 70 cents per dozen by mail, or 5 cents each, 50 cents per dozen, \$3.50 per 100 by express.

GENISTA.

Canariense. A very pretty shrubby plant, known as "Fountain of Gold," that bears racemes of pea-shaped flowers in the spring, of a rich golden yellow, making the plant literally a "shower of gold." In addition to its beauty, few flowers have a richer and more pleasing fragrance. It is truly delicious. 20c each.

Cyperus Alternifolius.

Abutilons.

This is also known as the Chinese Bell Flower, and the Flowering Maple. The many varieties all make fine plants either for growing in the open ground or winter blooming, being very vigorous in growth and beautiful alike in leaf and flower. They are very easy, rapid growers, and perpetual bloomers.

Boul de Nieve. Pure white, blooming continuously. 10c each.

Auricula-Flowered Verbena

Eclipse. An elegant new sort of trailing habit, with leaves variegated with blocks of yellow. A free bloomer, and a fine thing. Excellent for vases. 15c each.

Golden Bells. Bright golden yellow, combining large size, richness of color and free blooming qualities. 10c each.

Royal Scarlet. Brilliant scarlet, dwarf grower. 10c each.

Thompsoni Plena. The double Abutilon. Not only are the flowers very double, but the foliage is beautifully variegated with yellow.

Souv. de Bonn. This striking novelty has large orange red flowers borne on very long stems, but its chief charm lies in its finely variegated foliage, the large leaves being broadly edged with creamy white; giving the plant a most extraordinary appearance. 20c each.

One each of these 6 Abutilons for 60 cents.

Heliotrope.

Who does not love the delightful fragrance of this old-fashioned flower? So heavy and rich, and yet so delicate. The virtues of the Heliotrope for bedding are not half appreciated; not that it makes such a showy bed, but yet a very pleasing one, while the waves of fragrance that are wafted from one are indescribable. The following are magnificent new sorts, sometimes producing trusses of bloom six or seven inches in diameter, with no more care than a Geranium.

Fleur de Ete. Very large flowers of a beautiful blue. 10c each.

Mad. Brant. Immense panicles, rich purple, white eye. 10c each.

Mme. A. Carrierre. Bright blue, with a very large white eye. Dwarf and very free flowering. New. 15c each.

Picciola. A magnificent plant variety, of a deep rosy-violet color, with white eye. 15c each.

Snow Wreath. A very large sort that is nearly pure white. Large trusses, very fragrant. 10c each.

One Each of these 5 Heliotropes for 50c.

Cyperus Alternifolius.

This is the so-called "Umbrella Plant," and is very graceful, and rapid growing, making a fine plant for a jardinerre, or aquarium. 10c each.

We have a SELECT list of plants; not Everything.

HIBISCUS.

The Hibiscus offered under this heading are all of the Hard-wooded, shrubby class, and are Tropical plants that grow with great rapidity, and soon make magnificent specimens. They can be grown in tubs and kept for years, becoming small trees, or if more convenient, may be bedded out in a sunny place for the summer, and thrown away in the fall after through blooming, as the plants are quite cheap. The crimson, scarlet, orange, pink and white flowers are truly gorgeous, measuring four or five inches in diameter, and are freely produced.

Anrantinea. Large, double orange flowers; an early and profuse bloomer. 10c each.

Cooperii Tricolor. The flowers are crimson, and the foliage is variegated with dark green, pink and white, making it one of the most brilliant of variegated plants. 15c each.

Dennisonii. The very large pale carmine flowers change to pure white when fully open. A most distinct sort. 15c each.

Grandiflora. The glossy rich foliage is literally covered with large, scarlet-crimson flowers during the summer. 10c each.

Gen. de Courtegis. A single, light scarlet variety, of great size, the brightest of all. 10c each.

Rubra. A fine large double red sort. 10c each.

Schizopetalus. A very peculiar variety, with narrow, lanceolate petals and tubular calyx, the flowers orange red, and drooping. 15c each.

Versicolor. A handsome and curious striped variety, containing all the colors of the family; blotched with crimson, rose, orange and white. 10c each.

One each of these 8 Hibiscus for 75 cents.

PALMS.

Have grown wonderfully in favor during the past few years, and acres of glass have been put up for their propagation and growth. Nothing can be more graceful, and they lend an air of tropical luxuriance to conservatories, windows or collections of plants, while they are fast taking the place of almost everything else for the best decorations. The young plants do not at all resemble the full grown specimens in foliage as the first few leaves are long and narrow, and practically alike on most of the different varieties, and they do not take on their distinctive appearance until two or three years old, so do not think you have gotten all one sort when you order several distinct kinds and cannot tell the young plants apart. We offer several Palms that are specially beautiful, and at the same time of the easiest culture, and most apt to give good satisfaction.

Areca Lutescens. One of the easiest grown, very graceful, stems golden yellow. 30c each. Larger plants 70c each.

Kentia Belmoreana. One of the most graceful, a good grower, and very distinct in form. Excellent. 35c each. Larger plants 70c each.

Latania Borbaudiana. Probably grown more than any other Palm. The spreading leaves are large and fan-shaped and of a good color. It stands dust and mistreatment well, and soon makes fine specimens. Small plants 15c each. Strong plants 50c each.

Phoenix Reclumata. An exquisitely graceful sort, with long, gracefully arching fern-like leaves. Fine for house decoration. 25c each. Fine large plants 75c each.

Washingtonia Filifera. The "Filifera Palm" is a rapid grower, with large fan-shaped leaves, from which hang filaments, giving it an odd appearance. 20c each. Large plants 50c each.

NOTE. Small Palms can be sent fairly well by mail, and we guarantee arrival in good order. All the larger sizes should be sent by express without disturbing the roots; and while we will mail the larger Palms at the prices quoted, we cannot hold ourselves responsible for their growth.

Filifera Palm.

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Even among the most expensive of greenhouse plants, it is impossible to find anything that has richer and more varied foliage than the Coleus. The colors are intense and striking, and what is more, are arranged in every conceivable manner, in stripes, splotches, spots, bands and shadings, and the most brilliant and contrasting colors are often found side by side in the most vivid contrast. For fancy bedding of all sorts there is nothing that can approach them, and they have another virtue that is not to be overlooked—they are so easily raised that they are the cheapest of plants, and for a very little cost anyone who wishes may have one of those attractive beds that so light up all large parks. Not only are they unexcelled for solid bedding, but are useful as well for edging beds of taller growing plants, and for either purposes should be kept trimmed to a proper height. Do not set them out until the weather is settled and warm. To encourage their extensive use, we have put the price very low, and especially so in large lots by express. There are hundreds of varieties, but we only offer a few of the **VERY BEST** and most distinct.

Autumn Glow. A lovely colored variety, looking like Autumn leaves. 10c each.

Empress of Morocco. Rich maroon purple with a deep carmine center. 6c each.

Golden Bedder. Clear golden yellow. One of the very best bedders, and a healthy grower. 6c each.

Hero. A grand bedding sort, of a deep, almost coral black, with finely lacinated edges. 6c each.

Hoffgardner. Very large leaves of a black-purple color, with crimson center and marblings. 6c each.

Mrs. Hunt. Center scarlet crimson, surrounded by a band of yellow, and deeply edged emerald green, of an intense, almost metallic tinge. The yellow band is sometimes replaced by a brown one. 6c each.

Mrs. J. Schultz. Red center, fringed yellow edge. 10c each.

Pres. Garfield. Deep purple, carmine center. 10c each.

Sunrise. Maroon red, edged yellow. 10c each.

Verschafeltii. A grand bedder; none better, contrasting richly with other colors. Color, rich deep red. We consider this, Golden Bedder, and Hero by far the most distinct and contrasting sorts that we have ever seen, and would advise their use where this is the end desired.

Any of the sorts priced at 6 cents each, may be ordered at 20 cents per dozen, or \$1.00 per 100 by mail, or at 45 cents per dozen, or \$3.00 per 100 by express, and we will send 50 at the 100 rate; thus placing it within the reach of all to have a bed of them if they wish.

Alternantheras.

This is the small, low growing plant that is used for the neat green and red edgings so often seen about beds of Coleus and other bedders, or in making letters, or other small designs where close and accurate work is needed. They are simply unapproached for this class of work. We offer the following two sorts that are the best of several.

Aurea Nana. Green and yellow. 6c each.

Parychoides Major. 6c each.

Same price in quantities as Coleus.

Iresine hindenii.

Another foliage plant used in bedding. The smooth leaves are of a deep crimson, and are fine for making lines in beds of Coleus, and many other ways. Per doz., 90c; 10c each.

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CEDAR BLUFF, ALA., March 28, 1895.

I was delighted with my bulbs; have been ordering for years; never have got so many nice flowers for so little money.

MRS. EMMA WATT.

A PAGE OF CLIMBERS.

Swainsonia.

Swainsonia Galegifolia Alba is the long name of this pretty new introduction. It is a low growing climber, with finely divided foliage, that is very light and graceful, and when trained on a trellis presents a lovely sight of feathery, light green foliage. It is a profuse bloomer, and the flowers resemble small sweet peas, and, being white in color, are very useful for all sorts of florist work. When well started there is no small vine that is better adapted to the conservatory, and we think that there is a great future before it as a winter bloomer, besides its use out of doors in summer. Nice young plants 15 cents each, three for 40 cents.

Moonflowers.

Our most showy and rapid growing summer climbers, producing great numbers of large, morning-glory-like flowers until checked by the frost, especially if planted in a warm, sunny exposure.

The White Moonflower. The true mammoth variety, producing enormous flowers, sometimes six inches in diameter, and of the snowiest white, and of exquisitely rich fragrance. Three or four plants on a Southern exposure will cover the whole side of a house, and be a grand sight every evening as they unfold. Good well-rooted plants, 10 cents each, 6 for 50 cents, 14 for \$1.00.

The Blue Moonflower. (*Ipomoea Learli*.) A smaller flowered sort, with bright blue flowers. Same prices as the above. 10c each.

The Pink Moonflower. (*Ipomoea Mexicana*.) A tuberous-rooted Moonflower of a deep pink color. Same prices as the above. 10c each.

One of each of these 3 Moonflowers for 25 cents.

Clerodendron Balfouri.

A gorgeous tender Brazilian climber. It makes a fine pot plant, growing several feet in height, and producing large clusters of attractive flowers, the calyx of pure white, contrasting vividly with the dazzling scarlet corolla. It is a strikingly beautiful plant when in bloom, and very different from any other plant in cultivation. 15c each.

Coboea Scandens.

A graceful climber of most rapid growth, quickly covering screens and verandas with a mantle of living green, and bearing many large purple, bell-shaped flowers. A vine that should be often seen. 10c each.

Hoya Carnosa.

The wax plant; a curious climber with thick, leathery leaves that is just the thing to climb inside of a window, standing heat and dust well, and, when established, producing clusters of pale pink, waxy flowers of a delicate tint. The flower stems should not be broken off, as the blooms come from the same old stem in future years. 15c each.

Sengcio Scandens.

Or German Ivy, sometimes called "Railroad Ivy," probably from the speed with which it runs, is a graceful vine, with bright, fresh, light green leaves, and is well adapted

for use in hanging baskets and many other ways. A small plant will in a short time grow to quite a length, and present a mass of green. It will grow with no direct sunlight, making it specially suited to dark windows, and shady spots out of doors. 10c each; 3 for 25c.

MANETTIA BICOLOR.

The much praised and much abused *Manettia* vine is still alive in spite of it all, and is really one of the prettiest and oddest of all the dwarf climbers, bearing, with fair culture, hundreds of flowers an inch or so in length, of bright, golden yellow which are covered half way down from the stem with fine crimson hairs, making the flower appear half crimson and half yellow; given good soil and a moderate temperature, and not overwatered it is one of the prettiest winter blooming plants imaginable. 10c each.

SMILAX.

This most graceful of all climbers is used to an ever larger extent by florists to give grace and finish to their designs, possessing a lightness and airiness of its own that is sought for in vain elsewhere. You can grow it too. We offer a fine lot of healthy, young plants that are well established at 10 cents each.

PASSIFLORAS.

The Passion Flowers are strong growing and vigorous climbers, producing great numbers of wonderful and curiously formed flowers. These varieties are not hardy in the North, but can be taken up and kept in the cellar during the winter. In fact, so rapid growers are they, that they may be treated as annuals, and will bloom the first summer. If planted in a hot, sunny situation, and copiously watered, attracting more attention than any other vine. In the South, where they are hardy, they should be largely planted.

Constance Elliot. A fine large flowered white variety that is hardy farther North than the following, with some winter protection. 15c each.

Pfordtii. Perhaps the most satisfactory sort, being of very rapid growth, and covering a large space in a season, producing great numbers of very large rosy purple flowers about four inches in diameter, with large, vividly banded filaments. An excellent greenhouse climber. 25c each.

John Spaulding. A form of the preceding with leaves heavily spotted and variegated with golden yellow. 20c each.

Deenheana. [Quadrangulata.] A square stemmed variety of slower growth than the former, but with magnificent flowers about five inches in diameter, of a deep, rich, coppery purple-red color, with the fragrance of the Rose Scented Geranium. 20c each.

The Black Calla.

CALLA LILY.

RICHARDIA ETHIOPICA.

The Calla is one of the very best of window plants if given a reasonably warm place, and plenty of light and water. You are already too well acquainted with plant and flower for us to describe it. The large, pure white flowers are among the finest of those that it is possible to cultivate outside of a greenhouse, and you can raise them if you will give the plants a rest from June to September, withholding all water, and then repotting in good rich soil. Good growing plants. 10 to 20 cents each according to size.

Little Gem Calla. A dwarf sort much smaller than the regular Calla, bearing miniature pure white flowers on stiff stems. 20c each.

THE BLACK CALLA.

No novelty in this class of plants has attracted more attention than the Black Calla and the demand for it has been very great. It is a winter or early spring blooming variety, and if it does not bloom by the middle of June, all water should be withheld and the soil in the pot allowed to dry out entirely so that it can rest until September, when it should be repotted and started into growth. The cause of failure with both this and the ordinary Calla is usually the failure to let them rest through the summer. The flowers are really black, ranging from a maroon black to almost dead black, while the spadix is coal black. Good strong plants 15c each; extra large strong ones, 25c each.

Cocoloba Platyclada.

A wonderfully curious plant, with flat stemless leaves, growing from a flat stalk that is only an older leaf, very rapid growing, and of the easiest imaginable culture, while it is as odd a plant as can be found. 15c each.

Ageratum.

These three Ageratums are very dwarf and compact, and are chiefly used for bedding, the blue ones filling a place that almost nothing else will, as we hardly have any blue plants that are well adapted to bedding; they are especially suitable for edging beds of other taller flowers.

Cope's Pet. Medium dwarf; bright blue flowers. 10c each.

Tapis Bleu. Very dwarf indeed, dark blue. 10c each.

Dwarf White. Like the above in habit, but white flowers. 10c each.

Per dozen, assorted as desired, 60 cents by mail, 50 cents by express. Per 100 \$4.50 and \$4.00 respectively.

Crassula Cordata.

A thick leaved plant that is especially suitable for baskets and rockwork, having broad foliage like a large sedum or Mesembryanthemum, and producing clusters of star-shaped flowers of a light flesh tint, almost white. 10c each.

Feverfew.

A favorite pot plant, with finely divided, fresh green foliage, that soon makes a perfect bouquet of verdure, and great quantities of full, double white flowers. 10c each.

Double Alyssum.

The double Alyssum is the sort that is grown for cut flowers and design work, as the petals hang on so much longer than the single. It has large, full heads, and makes pretty pot or basket plant, as it hangs gracefully over the edge, and produces almost countless heads of white flowers well started. 10c each.

Lemon Verbena.

Is a shrub of the very easiest growth, the leaves of which have a delightful fragrance. Fine for bouquets. 15c each.

Allamanda.

Hendersonii. A magnificent tub plant, or greenhouse climber, with large, heavy flowers like yellow velvet. Four inches across. This is one of the finest plants ever grown. 25c each.

Bryophyllum.

Calceinum. A curious plant with thick, succulent leaves, called the "Air Plant," from the ease with which it roots, from the edges of the detached leaves, without soil or water, even if plucked to a curtain. 10c each.

Cuphea.

Platycentra. The "Ladies' Egar Plant." Scarlet cigar-shaped flowers, with a white tip. 10c each.

Blavae. A new, large sort, bearing the national colors of red, white and blue. Both are good pot plants. 10c each.

Allamanda Hendersonii.

Cyclamen Persicum Giganteum.

Grevillea Robusta.**THE SILK OAK.**

A splendid plant for decorative purposes. The straight, erect stem is surrounded by long, finely cut fern-like leaves of a shining dark green color. It grows very rapidly, much more so than a Palm, and makes a very beautiful and effective winter plant, the lower side of the foliage having a silky lustre. It has only to be seen in order to be appreciated. 20c each, 3 for 50c.

Impatiens.

If you are looking for something, as a pot plant that is a real gem, and not to be seen every day, we would call your attention to these Impatiens, or Zanzibar Balsams. They are ideal pot plants, being of rapid, easy growth, and beautiful form of flowers, which are about the size of a silver dollar, are produced in great profusion summer and winter. It is, all around, one of the most satisfactory of plants for any time of the year.

Sultani. The original sort, or type. The deep, rosy carmine flowers contrast beautifully with the rich green leaves, and make it a thing of beauty, admired by all who see it. 10c each.

New Hybrids. Beautiful shades of pink, mauve, carmine rose and deeper tints. Three for 25c; 10c per doz.; 10c each.

Lantanas.

Bushy plants that make splendid beds, as they bear great numbers of Verbena-like heads of brightly colored flowers all through the summer. One peculiarity about them is that the flowers are of different colors in the different stages of their growth, so that the outer flowers in a head may be deep crimson and the inner florets golden yellow, thus making an odd contrast. We offer several carefully selected varieties.

Aurea. Deep golden yellow. 10c each.

Globe d'Or. Clear yellow, fine. 10c each.

Javair. Creamy white, of the largest size, passing to pure white. 10c each.

Michael Schmidt. Flowers a brilliant yellow, changing to a deep crimson; vivid contrast. 10c each.

Monfetti. A true bi-color; light blue, pink center. 10c each.

One each of these five choice Lantanas for 40c.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., June 7, 1895.

Let me add a few words of praise to the many you have received from others, for the first-class bulbs, plants and seeds you have sent me, and also to thank you for the "extras" that came with each order. Guess I know whom to recommend as a good man to deal with hereafter.

PETER STEPHAN.

UTICA, O., Oct. 28, 1895.

Please accept my thanks for your liberal premiums, as they were just what I wanted.

MRS. R. B. ALSDORE.

CYCLAMEN.

It is doubtful if there is any house plant that would come nearer winning the name of "the finest of all house plants" than the Cyclamen, if a vote should be taken of all who are well acquainted with such plants, and have ever seen a good specimen of it in full bloom. While it is a winter bloomer, it should be purchased in the spring to be had at the best the following winter, for it is impatient of shipping, and will then get well established before blooming time comes around. The flowers are of a very curious shape, and, with good soil and an even temperature (from 50 to 60 degrees in the winter,) will be produced in large numbers, and sometimes of great size, three inches or more in diameter. The colors are snowy white, pink, and purple grounds of varying shades, stained deeply at the center, while some are variegated. We offer them of a size that will bloom the following winter with proper care, but only in mixed colors, and not separate. The strain is the true Giganteum sort. Good strong plants 20c each.

Jasmines.

Beautiful Southern plants that are well known for their rich and exquisite fragrance, and extreme gracefulness of growth. They are especially fine for window and conservatory culture in the winter, and for planting out in the summer as well. We offer three of the most distinct sorts.

Gracillimum. A climbing variety of rapid growth, bearing on a well established plant almost countless snow-white flowers in large cluster, whose fragrance, while not so heavy as of other sorts, has a peculiar freshness about it, making one think of a drink of cool, fresh water on a hot day. 15c each.

Grandiflorum. A standard favorite, growing quickly into a small bush, and blooming at times through the whole year, both in winter and summer. The flowers are pure white, star-shaped and intensely fragrant. 10c each.

Revolutum. A semi-climber, that may also be trimmed into bush form. The fragrant flowers are a golden. 10c each.

One each of these three Jasmines for 30c.

Grevillea Robusta.

MERCER, PA., AUG. 18, 1895.

I want to express my gratitude to you for your generous addition to my order for bulbs last fall. It was my first order from you, but will not be my last.

MRS. R. A. BARBOCK.

LEBANON, PA., AUG. 15, 1895.

As you say, there is a bond of sympathy between the lovers of flowers, and I love to deal with a firm so sympathetic and gracious as you have proved yourself to be.

MRS. HAYDN J. BEAM.

Plumbagos.

A most useful and distinct class of plants, useful in almost every way. They grow to a height of two to three feet though they may be kept dwarfer by trimming, and are literally loaded with large trusses of blue and white flowers all summer; in fact, it would be hard to find a much more prolific and continual bloomer. A bed of them is a continual feast to the eye, and the flowers are simply exquisite for bouquet work. They are also unexcelled as vase plants, standing dry and hot weather well, while for winter blooming they are real treasures, blooming incessantly. It is not generally known what splendid winter bloomers they are, and for this purpose they should be purchased in the spring and watered liberally during the summer, the flowers kept pinched off, and potted the first of September.

Capensis. Of a lovely tint of pale, delicate blue, entirely distinct from that of anything else, and one that grows prettier the longer you look at it. Price 10c each.

Capensis Alba. A snow white variety, identical in every way with the type and as good a bloomer. 10c each.

Larpenae. A hardy plant with rich blue flowers, fine. This sort is not a winter bloomer. 15c each.

Linum Trigynum.

The "Yellow Flax;" its chief value is as a winter plant, in which capacity it stands at the top of the list. For this purpose the plants should be purchased in the spring and treated as the Plumbago, when by fall they should be compact bushy plants a foot or more in height, and in November the buds will appear, clustered on every tip, and opening into the richest of golden yellow flowers, an inch and a half in diameter, until it becomes a veritable mound of gold, lighting up the window like a beam of sunshine, a treasure indeed and continuing thus until spring. Good strong plants, 15c each.

Linaria Cymbalaria.

This is the "Kenilworth Ivy," one of the most delicate basket and vase plants we have. It is a slight vine with small light green leaves, and adds a graceful finish to such arrangements that is very desirable. 10c each.

Mesembryanthemums.

Cordifolium. A semi-trailing plant, with thick, fleshy leaves and purple stemmed flowers. Very pretty for hanging baskets, and suitable for vases as it stands drought with impunity, and hangs gracefully over the edge a mass of living green. 10c each.

Cordifolium Variegatum. A sort variegated with white, 10c each.

Double Petunia.

Plumbago Larpenae.

Lobelia.

A dwarf edging plant that makes beautiful edges for beds or borders. The variety we offer is a new sort of exceeding beauty, that is all through the season thickly covered with deep blue flowers with a large white eye. It is a very compact variety, each plant a mound of blue only a few inches high.

Lobelia Compacta Oculata. Per dozen, 75c; 8c each.

Paris Daisy.

An easily grown plant, that produces many white, daisy-like flowers, with stiff stems, making it fine for cutting. It is much grown for winter blooming, as it is very free flowering at this season. 10c each.

Othonna.

Crassifolia. This is the so-called "Pickle Plant," on account of its curious, cylindrical leaves, an inch or less in length, that look very much like miniature Cucumbers. It is one of the very best basket plants, drooping to a length of two feet or more, and blooming freely in a sunny window. The flowers are of the brightest yellow, like a many-pointed Daisy, and are very pleasing. Give it sun, and not too much water, and it will do well.

Pilea.

Muscosa. The Artillery Fern, so called on account of the snapping sound produced by sprinkling the flowers on a sunny day. It is very graceful, resembling a finely-cut Fern, and nothing could be easier to grow. Splendid for bouquets and for green in floral designs, and a beautiful pot plant.

Double Petunias.

The Double Petunia of to-day is a grand flower. They are of great size, densely double, and of the richest and most delicate shades of color, while they will grow anywhere, and bloom profusely. We offer three varieties that we think are hard to beat.

Argus. Very large, purple and white blotched; rich. 10c each.

Mrs. B. Harrison. Densely double, pure white and finely fringed. Exquisitely beautiful. 10c each.

Pink Beauty. Bright, clear rose pink, a splendid color with no purple in it. Very large. 10c each.

One Each of these Fine Double Petunias for 25c; per doz., 80c. Assorted Colors, if desired.

OXFORD, N. J., Oct. 16, 1895.

Bulbs and plants received the 10th inst. Very much pleased with them. Thanks for the extras; they are fine.

MRS. E. ESTLER.

THE Otaheite Orange.

A grand novelty of great beauty and usefulness; a dwarf orange tree that will grow, bloom and produce fruit in pots when only a foot or two high. They will even bloom and fruit in a two inch pot, and plants not over fifteen inches in height have been seen with from twenty to twenty-five on them at once. The flowers have the rich fragrance for which the orange blossom is noted, and it would be well worth while to raise a plant or two for the sake of the delicious perfume, even if it were not for the oranges themselves, which are about one-half the ordinary size and very sweet and delicious. We have a fine healthy lot of these plants to offer.

Good young plants only 15c each; 3 for 40c.

Strong plants from three inch pots 25c each; 3 for 65c.

Extra large, strong plants 4 inch pots 50c each; 3 for \$1.25.

THE Trifoliate Orange.

Do you live in the North? If you do how would you like an orange tree that will grow in your yard and stand the winter like a cherry tree. Here it is; this hardy orange is growing in the parks of New York and Philadelphia most luxuriantly, bearing quantities of large, white, and very sweet-scented blossoms, followed by small bright orange-red fruits. It blooms through the spring and early summer and we offer them so cheaply that every one should plant a few. What a fine ornamental hedge, a row of them would make.

Strong, thrifty young plants 15c each; 4 for 50c.

RUSSELLIA JUNCEA.

A little known plant that requires the same treatment as a Geranium, and is suitable alike for pot and garden culture. It produces many long, wiry stems that are apparently leafless, and they droop gracefully, adapting it well for vases and baskets. The flowers are a brilliant scarlet, near an inch in length, and plentifully produced. It is one of the easiest of plants to grow, and very distinct and striking. Two for 25c; 15c each.

SALVIA.

Wm. Bedman. The Salvia has become one of the stand-bys; it is of the easiest cultivation, and succeeds in almost any situation, and in the driest weather, while its colors are intensely brilliant. This variety is especially adapted for bedding, by its dwarf, compact habit, making dense, bushy plants that are literally covered with hundreds of spikes of brilliant scarlet flowers for several months, making the plants a veritable blaze of color. Price, 10c each; 90c per dozen.

MEXICAN PRIMROSE.

A pretty plant from Mexico, that was introduced several years since, and well advertised. It is a good plant for pots or baskets, being of very easy culture, and a free

bloomer. The small, oddly shaped foliage soon covers the pot, and the saucer-shaped flowers appear thickly. It is a good winter bloomer, and does well bedded out in the summer. It is perhaps more useful in hanging baskets than anywhere else. There are now several colors offered.

Apple Blossom. White, tinted blush and pink. 10c each.

Charming. Deep, bright pink. 10c each.

Snowflake. Large, pure white. 10c each.

SANSEVERIA.

Zealanica. This has proved a real acquisition, being one of the finest of decorative plants. Its tall, thick leaves grow to a height of four feet, and are striped crosswise with white. It stands dust, heat and drought with impunity, and is one of the few plants that will grow without any direct sunlight whatever, making it a fine house plant. A well grown plant is scarcely excelled by anything as a plant for a Jardiniere. Price, 15c each; extra strong plants, 25c each.

ALEXANDRIA, O., April 28, 1885.

I received the plants all right, and they are grand, thrifty plants, by far the best that I ever received from any florist; such good roots, and if they do not grow it will surely be my fault.

MRS. PATTON.

The Night Blooming CEREUS.

This has frequently been called "the most beautiful plant in the world," and it is a king. The flowers are often a foot in diameter, of a pure snowy white with a lustre like satin, while the long, creamy white anthers project in a great brush like mass from the center. The outside petals are just tinged with a suggestion of brown and the whole flower is the personification of royal magnificence. The perfume is delightful. But it is not alone the marvelous beauty of the flower that has made this flower so interesting that the blooming of one is an event in a town, but the fact that it only deigns to open its fair chalice in the darkness of the night and closes forever before the light of morning approaches. It is easy to grow, needing a warm, light place in the winter, with no water and rich soil, and more water at blooming time in June or July. We offer good, well-rooted plants three for 60c; each 25c.

Stapelia Serpentina.

A Cactus-like plant called the "Frog Cactus." Its peculiar shape and growth is shown by the cut, as well as its curious flowers which are of a tawny yellow, mottled with dark brown. The flower is of great substance, so thick that it feels and looks as if cut with scissors from a piece of thick, soft morocco. It is one of the most curious plants you can grow, and you will have no trouble whatever in making it bloom the first summer from the plants we send out, if you will follow these directions. **DO NOT PET IT**, but plant it out in the open ground after danger of frost is over, where it will get the **HOT SUN ALL DAY**, and water a couple of times a week in dry weather, copiously. It wants a **HOT** place, and does not need water often, but, like all other plants, prefers a **WATERING** to a sprinkling. Try one if you want something odd. Two for 25c; 15c each.

PANSY PLANTS.

We offer plants grown from fine seed that we think will please. Most of them are from our Royal Prize Mixture, with some other special colors added. 5c each; 50c per doz. By Express 40c per doz.; \$3.00 per 100.

Strobilanthes Dyerianus.

Stapelia Serpentina.

Tradescantia.

Perhaps of all trailing basket plants this is the easiest grown, and most satisfactory, growing even in the back side of a room with no sun and very little light, while they are excellent for vases.

Multicolor. Pink, crimson and white; a fine sort. 8c.
Variegata. Green and white. 5c each.
Zebrina. Brown, red and silver. 5c each.

One Each of these 3 Tradescantias for 15c.

Vinca.

These plants (with the exception of the last,) are fine bedders, and useful in many ways, forming compact little bushes a foot high, that are literally covered all summer with flat, round flowers about the size of a silver dollar. They are really wonderful bloomers, and stand dry weather remarkably.

Rosea. Deep rose pink. 10c each.
Alba. Pure white; flue. 10c each.
Rosea Alba. White with red eye. 10c each.

One Each of these 3 sorts for 25c.

Major Variegata. One of the prettiest of trailing plants; foliage variegated in a beautiful manner with yellow. Nothing finer for vases or hanging baskets. 10c each.

Solanum Jasminoides

A vine of beautiful trailing or climbing habit, attaining a height of three to four feet, and can be kept trimmed in bush form if so desired. Its white flowers are freely produced in panicles of great size, and it is an equally good summer or winter bloomer. 10c each.

Sword Fern

Nephrolepis Exaltata. A well grown specimen makes a magnificent plant for a Jardiniere, the leaves attaining a length of three feet. Few ferns do well in an ordinary living room; this is one that will. 15c each.

Violets.

We offer three sorts of this popular and exquisitely fragrant flower.

Marie Louise. The favorite variety. Double blue. 10c each.

The Czar. Single, dark blue. 10c each.

Russian Hardy. Single blue. 10c each.

One each for 25 cents. Any sort, 90 cents per dozen.

Strobilanthes Dyerianus.

This is the latest novelty in bedding plants, the leaves being of a remarkable metallic blue-purple tint shading into light rose, with a green margin. It will make an agreeable variety and be very useful in its sphere. Per dozen, \$1.25; 15c each.

WATER LILIES.

There is nothing but the fact that most people do not know how easily they may be grown, that prevents Water Lily ponds being more frequently seen. Nothing whatever presents such a charming prospect as a pond filled with their large, delicate blooms, nestled amid the dark green leaves, and nothing whatever in the floral line can even compare with them in the interest they excite, and the universal admiration they command. Every sort that we offer (excepting the Water Hyacinth) is perfectly hardy, and may be left out of doors in a pond, if the water is deep enough that the mud at the bottom never freezes, so that a bed of Water Lilies once planted is truly "a joy forever." If our patrons could all understand with what perfect ease and success they might have a grand display of these magnificent flowers, we would hardly be able to fill the orders that would pour in for them. Neither is a pond necessary, for some of the finest Lilies ever seen have been grown in tubs and half-barrels, where there was no room for a pond; only in that case the tubs have to be wintered in a cellar, as they would freeze solid out of doors. The price of some sorts seems quite high, but when you remember their beauty, and that they are a PERMANENT INVESTMENT, that will yield unbounded pleasure and satisfaction for years, it puts a different aspect on the matter. While we only offer a few varieties, we have endeavored to select those that are excellent in every respect, and that will give satisfaction, omitting all the tender sorts. Ready to ship about May 1st.

Nymphaea Odorata. Our own hardy, sweet, White Water Lily. Leaves ten inches across, and flowers four to five. Spring bloomers, and most deliciously fragrant. 25c each.

Nymphaea Odorata Minor. This is smaller than the type, but one of the most satisfactory of all, as it is the first to bloom, the most fragrant of all, and the easiest to grow. It is especially desirable for growing in tubs, as it is of smaller growth than other sorts. 25c each.

Nymphaea Odorata Rosea. This is exactly like the type, excepting that the flowers are of a lovely, bright rose pink. It is scarcer, and higher in price, but is very desirable in a collection on account of its color. \$1.00 each.

Nymphaea Marliacea Chromatelia. This is simply grand, and is to our notion the finest yellow Water Lily grown, being of large size, measuring from five to six inches across, and of a beautiful lemon-yellow, lightening to creamy yellow at the tips. It is very fragrant, and a great bloomer. \$1.00 each.

Nymphaea Superba. This grand new Hybrid Water Lily is by far the most attractive of all the Nymphaeas. Its size is truly gigantic, the flowers being sometimes twelve inches in diameter by actual measurement, while the leaves frequently attain a size of nearly two feet, and possess the striking peculiarity of rising upon stems a foot above the surface of the water when crowded, though naturally the leaves lie on the surface of the water; the edges turn up after the manner of the Victorias. The flowers are of the snowiest white, well opened, and displaying a great cluster of golden stamens, which change with age to brown, and finally almost black, so that the older flowers look very differently from those that have just opened. It excels all other varieties in cultivation, in vigor of growth, and will succeed in a pond or mud-hole, quickly accommodating itself to changes of five or six feet in the depth of the water. A grand acquisition. \$1.00 each.

Nelumbium Speciosum. Entirely different from the Nymphaeas, and the king of all water plants. Some of the leaves float on the water, and others rise from four to six feet above the surface on stiff stems, accompanied by a flower stalk a foot high, which pierces the leaf, and opens its huge bud a foot above it, unfolding into a flower sometimes a foot across, of a bright rosy pink color, that remains in full beauty several days, opening further each day. Though this is the true "Egyptian Lotus," it has been proved perfectly hardy if the water is deep enough to protect the roots from freezing, and a single plant will travel twenty to thirty feet in a single season. This is the grandest of all Water Lilies, and the best of all for a tub plant, attracting more attention than anything else. Price for good roots, \$1.00 each.

Nelumbium Luteum. A native American variety, with very large, bright lemon yellow flowers, growing lighter in color each day. The only yellow Lotus, and worthy to stand beside its companions. Price for good tubers, 75c each.

The Water Hyacinth.

A curious and beautiful plant that floats on the water by means of its inflated leaf stalks, and sends up large spikes of delicate lavender flowers like a Hyacinth spike, the upper petal having a lemon yellow spot in the center, surrounded by a zone of bright, metallic blue. It will spread with wonderful rapidity, and bloom freely all summer, IF SET IN A VERY HOT, SUNNY PLACE, and several inches of good soil is placed in the bottom of the tub. If planted in a pond, it should be in shallow water, a few inches deep, so that the feathery roots can reach to it. Try one, and you will be pleased, for if given sun, they will do splendidly. 15c each; four for 50c.

Water Hyacinth.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., April 18, 1886.

The plants and bulbs have all been received in first-class condition. I was surprised to receive such fine bulbs and roots, but I was still more surprised to receive so many extras, and such fine ones too.

JOHN N. HOFFER.

HARDY PLANTS.

There is, and justly too, a growing interest in hardy plants of all sorts. They are, emphatically, the plants for busy people, and for those who have but little money to spare for flowers. While tender plants have to be renewed each year, or carried over the winter in the house, or greenhouse, these hardy plants have only to be planted in order to reward their owner each year in their season with an abundance of the most beautiful of flowers. It is doubtful if there is anything in all the extensive realms of floriculture that yields the true lover of flowers so much real pleasure and satisfaction as a good border of these plants, for if it be carefully planned, it will afford a constant variety of flowers all the season, and that of the most richly beautiful class. Give them a good rich border, and keep the weeds down. While they take care themselves, water in dry weather will greatly improve them.

ANEMONE, "WHIRLWIND."

Of all the fall-blooming Hardy Herbaceous Perennials, there is nothing finer than the Japanese Anemone, and this double sort is a great improvement on the type, the double flowers lasting longer than the single, beside being a more abundant bloomer. A bed of this is worth going miles to see, the pure white flowers borne on long stems, well above the beautiful foliage. Fine for cemetery planting. 20c each; 3 for 50c.

AQUILEGIA.

Fine hardy perennials, that bloom profusely in May and June.

Chrysantha. The Rocky Mountain Columbine. Beautiful canary yellow flowers with spurs two inches or more in length. 15c each.

Coerula. A grand sort of immense size, flowers rich blue and white. 20c each.

Antirrhinum.

The improved Snapdragons are splendid for cutting, the colors being really fine. Plants that will bloom this year, mixed colors, from cream and white to crimson. 10c each; 80c per doz.

ACHILLEA, THE PEARL.

A new double white Achillea, fine for summer blooming, producing almost countless pure white, double flowers that are splendid for cutting. It is very hardy, and well deserves a place in the hardy border. 10c each.

Arum Dracunculum.

The "Dragon Arum," a plant which has the honor of producing the largest flowers of any plant that is hardy in this country. They are simply enormous. The leaf stalks in an established specimen reach a height of four feet or more, holding up the great-sized, oddly cut, claw-shaped leaves, that gives it the appropriate name of the "Dragon Arum," and bearing upon the top of a spotted stalk, a flower of gigantic size, and curious color. The outside of the flower is a light green, and the inside a deep purple red, glistening in the sun with a satin sheen. The perfume is simply indescribable. We have seen these flowers two feet in length and half as broad, while the plant was over five feet in height, and had stood several cold winters perfectly. Good roots 15c each. Extra strong ones, 25c.

Centaurea Gymnocarpa.

The "Dusty Miller" is one of the best plants we have for edging beds, as well as for many other purposes, the beautifully cut foliage being thickly covered with white down making lines and masses of silvery whiteness. Per doz., 90c; each 10c.

Cineraria Maritima.

Another white leaved plant that is very useful in vases and hanging baskets, as well as for edgings and ribbon work. 90c per doz; 10c each.

Trailing Hollyhock.

This plant, the proper name of which is *Cedilifloa involuerata*, is a fine hardy perennial, of prostrate growth, that bears large flowers of a beautiful, rich, red-purple, that are very attractive. It is especially good for carpeting the ground among taller growing sorts, or for edging the hardy border. \$1.25 per doz.; 15c each.

COREOPSIS, "Golden Glory."

For some years the *Coreopsis lanceolata* has been considered by many the best of all hardy plants for producing yellow flowers for cutting, and now a vastly improved strain is offered. The plant is perfectly hardy, and sends up during the summer almost countless tall, stiff stems, crowned with flowers of the richest golden yellow imaginable, that are of fine circular form, and almost, if not quite double the size of the original variety, being from three-and-a-half to four inches in diameter. The young plants we send out will bloom freely the first season. \$1.25 per doz.; 15c each.

Digitalis.

These are the old-fashioned "Fox Gloves," and fine old flowers they are. They are perfectly hardy, and produce tall spikes of curiously shaped flowers in various shades of purple, white and pink. 10c each.

Delphinium Formosum.

A grand perennial variety of the Larkspur family, whose large spikes of flowers are of the truest, richest, most brilliant blue to be found in the whole floral kingdom. There are so few really good blue flowers, that it is strange that this sturdy, hardy plant is not more cultivated. We strongly recommend it. 15c each.

Erianthus Ravennae.

The grandest of all the hardy grasses, standing the severest winters without any protection, and sending up in the summer numbers of tall stems, that reach a height of twelve or fourteen feet, and are surmounted with great plumes, somewhat like those of the Pampas Grass, though not so fine. There are few, if any, hardy plants that will give a more tropical effect than this, and a bed of half a dozen, or a dozen plants makes a feature in a neighborhood. It is also unique for bordering a walk. Price, per dozen, \$1.25; 15c each.

Special Prices per 100 by Express.

Helianthus Multiflorus fl. pl.

Iberis Sempervirens.

A hardy perennial Candytuft; pure white, and fine for cemetery planting, as it will take care of itself. 10c each.

Iris.

The Iris is one of the grandest hardy plants known. Its large flowers have a delicacy and oddity of coloring that we fail to find elsewhere; even the finest orchids can not excel some of them, while they are so cheap that the poor may have them, and when once planted they are "there," and will produce their rich flowers each season without further care.

Kämpferi. The Japanese Iris are the finest of the family, sometimes reaching a diameter of six or eight inches, and their richness of coloring surpasses description, ranging from pure snow-white, lilac and lavender to deep rich purple. Fine mixture of many colors, 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Germanica. Perfectly hardy, throwing up dozens of spikes of fragrant bloom of yellow, blue, lilac, purple and wine colors. Fine mixture of many colors, 10c each; 3 for 25c; 80c per dozen.

Hispanica. Slender growers, in many rich colors. Per dozen, 30c.

Anglica. Early, fine mixture. Per dozen, 40c.

Hollyhocks.

Nothing is more stately among flowering plants for a large clump, or background, than the Hollyhock, and it has been wonderfully improved of late years, until the flowers are of great size, and so densely double that it seems there could be no improvement possible in that direction. We offer them from a fine strain of seed, either mixed or in the following separate colors: Crimson, Pink, Salmon, Yellow, White, and Fant (white and black), at 20c each; \$2.00 per dozen for good plants.

Kosteletzkia Virginica.

A novelty of last spring. It is a grand, hardy perennial, making a bushy plant two or three feet in height, whose rich foliage is covered with numbers of bright pink flowers, so thickly as to earn for it the name of the "Pink Bush." It is highly recommended as the best novelty in hardy plants that has appeared for a long time. The flowers resemble somewhat the Hibiscus, but are not so large. 20c each.

Liatris Graminifolia.

Single roots of this plant often make bushy specimens eighteen inches across, every branch lined with flowers of a rich purple, making a gorgeous color effect. Pinch back when about eight inches high. 15c each.

Lily of the Valley.

Known and loved by all is this modest, delicate flower, and no other possesses a fragrance so ethereally delicate, and at the same time so rich. Once planted, you have it forever, and it is something that is always appreciated, and its yearly advent welcomed with joy. Good strong clumps, 40c each.

Funkia.

These "August Lilies" are among the best of all the fine things that Japan has given us. Their large heart-shaped leaves make a fine mass of green, and in August they throw up spike after spike of lily-like flowers five inches long, of the purest snow-white, and intensely fragrant. It is perfectly hardy, and the clumps increase in size from year to year. There are very few things that make grander tub plants, a clump soon filling a large tub, and covering it with a mass of foliage, above which appear the beautiful flowers in profusion, 25c each.

Gaillardia.

A fine hardy perennial, that blooms freely during the summer, bearing aloft on stiff stems many very large, daisy-like flowers of various shades and combinations of red and yellow. 10c each.

Helianthus.

These perennial Sunflowers are very hardy, and fine for cutting in the late summer and fall. They are worthy a place in every garden.

Helianthus multiflorus flore plena. This perfectly double Helianthus is a grand addition to our fall blooming hardy plants. It grows about four feet high, making a robust, bushy plant, covered from late summer until frost with great numbers of large deep golden-yellow flowers. A row of these will light up a whole garden. Price 10c each; 6 for 50c.

Maximiliani. A magnificent variety, growing eight feet tall, the stem and branches being literally crowded with great brilliant yellow flowers. We know of no hardy plant that makes a grander display, and it is impossible to describe the wonderful effect of the mass of glowing yellow eight feet deep produced by a block of these plants on our grounds last October. 15c each; 4 for 50c.

Hemerocallis Flava.

This "Lemon Lily" is by far the most beautiful of all yellow Lilies, though it is not properly a Lily. Perfectly hardy, soon forming large clumps, and bearing most beautiful bright yellow, lily-like flowers that possess the most delicious fragrance. 20c each.

Lychnis Chalcedonica.

This is a grand flower that produces a brilliant display with no care or attention for years when once started. Color intensely brilliant scarlet. 10c each.

Lobelia, Cardinalis.

A moisture and shade loving perennial that is often found growing in wet places in the woods, lighting up their sombre depths with its flame-like torches of glowing crimson. 15c each.

Iris Kämpferi.

Mertensia Virginica.

Never have we seen so beautiful a display of wild flowers as upon an island in a creek only a few miles from this place. In an open space of about half an acre in extent was a growth of this beautiful plant, that, covered with its bright flowers, looked like a sea of blue. The plants grow to a height of about eighteen inches, with large, smooth, bluish-tinted leaves, and are thickly covered with large, drooping clusters of flowers of the richest and most delicate shades of blue, while the unopened buds were of a distinct pink color, contrasting oddly with the flowers. It is impossible to describe the effect of such a mass of these "Bluebells," and a pleasant surprise is in store for all who plant them for the first time. It is surely a most unique plant, very different from anything else in cultivation, both in leaf and flower, and is unexcelled for naturalizing in proper places, but should be planted early in order to bloom the first season. We unreservedly commend this little known hardy plant, and hope that many will try it. 3 for 50c; per dozen, \$1.50; each.....20c

Oenothera.

Lamarckiana Grandiflora. The great Evening Primrose, growing to a height of four to six feet, and opening its large flowers, three inches or more across, by the dozens and hundreds just at dusk on a summer's evening. It is a great favorite with the children, who like to watch the flowers as they suddenly spring open, and a bed of them makes a great display in the evening. It is a biennial, but if planted for two years, will perpetuate itself from self-sown seed. 3 for 40c; per dozen, \$1.25; each.....15c

Fruticosa Major. This is a gem; it grows a little over a foot in height, and makes a bushy plant that in June is literally covered with glowing, golden yellow flowers about two inches in diameter, while, differently from most of this family, it is a *day bloomer*, remaining open all day. Among all hardy yellow plants there is hardly one, if any at all, that make a richer display than this. We remember a clump of a dozen or so in a garden, that received very little attention, that were planted in a space little over a foot square, and when in bloom spread out until the tops presented a surface of bloom nearly a yard across, a perfect mass of glowing color. 3 for 50c; each.....20c

Perennial Poppy.

Papaver Orientale. The true "Perennial Poppy," hardy as an oak, and sending up in May and June tall stems, crowned with enormous flowers of glowing scarlet-crimson, from five to seven inches across. This is one of the very best and showiest of all hardy plants, and, once planted, is yours for a lifetime. 3 for 40c; each.....15c

Papaver Nudicaule. The Iceland Poppies, of lower growth, with flowers of not over half, or a third the size of the former, but perfect little gems, the colors being unusual, ranging from deepest orange, and nankeen yellow, to lemon and white. A bed of Orientale bordered with this is great. 3 for 40c; each.....15c

Perennial Pea.

See seed pages for description. A fine climber. Each.....15c

Plumbago barpentæ. See p. 45.

Pink, Her Majesty, See p. 36.

Platycodon Mariessi.

A fine hardy plant, with blue and white flowers, allied to the Campanula, but very distinct. The buds look like balloons. This is a new **DWARF**, free blooming variety. Each.....15c

Passiflora Incarnata.

The hardy Passion Flower; bluish purple, long filaments. Each.....15c

Pyrethrum Uliginosum.

One of the noblest of tall growing hardy, herbaceous plants, forming dense tufts that attain the height of six or seven feet, and bear profusely loose clusters of very large, pure white flowers twice the size of the Ox-Eye Daisy. Very fine indeed for cutting, and excellent for the background of a hardy border. 3 for 50c; each.....20c

Pardanthus Chinensis.

The foliage resembles somewhat that of an Iris, and the stalks grow to a height of about two feet, and bear for several weeks, a succession of orange colored flowers, spotted and checkered with purple, which are followed by the seed pods that give the plant its name. The covering of the pod opens and turns down, leaving exposed the cluster of seeds that are encased in a fleshy substance of a jet black color that is an exact representation of a fine large blackberry. 3 for 40c; each.....15c

Mertensia Virginica.

Sweet William.

A favorite flower in our grandmother's gardens, and the improved varieties of to-day are among the very best of border plants, bearing great numbers of heads of flowers of many rich and bright colors, and varied markings, with distinct eyes of vividly contrasting colors. 3 for 25c; 90c per dozen; each.....10c

SARRACENIA PURPUREA.

This Pitcher Plant has beautiful pitcher-like leaves that are mottled and marbled with red and brown. It blooms in June, and the flowers are large, deep red and very fragrant. It grows very nicely potted in clear sphagnum moss, or when planted out in damp places. It is a genuine curiosity to almost every one. 3 for 50c; each.....20c

TRILLIUM GRANDIFLORUM.

The largest and finest "Wood Lily" of all the sorts that are native to our country. The flowers are composed of three broad petals of the purest white, that, instead of recurving flatly as most sorts do, stand out in the shape of Lillium Candidum, making a rarely beautiful and graceful flower two inches, and sometimes more across. Fine for naturalizing in shady places, and nice for wearing. 3 for 40c; each.....15c

THE JAPANESE WINEBERRY.

A wonderful fruit from Japan, belonging to the Raspberry family, very hardy, bearing its fruit in large clusters, sometimes 75 to 100 berries in a bunch which are enclosed in a sort of a burr until ripe when the calyx opens, disclosing a berry of a bright wine color, different from any other berry having a delicately sweet and juicy flavor, very luscious, and considered by many superior to any other berry in flavor. The seeds are also very small, much more so than those of Blackberries and Raspberries, while it retains its sprightly flavor after being cooked, and for preserving or making jelly there is nothing can excel it. It commences to ripen in July, and continues a long time. It is the greatest bearer known, and easily gathered, and deserves a place in every garden. 3 for 40c; \$1.25 per doz.; each.....15c

GETTYSBURG, PA., April 3, 1895.

We wish to express our satisfaction to you in our order to you for plants and seeds. They arrived in fine condition, and were also well pleased with your liberality in extras. JOSEPH FARRINGTON.

A Page of Hardy Climbers.

Clematis.

The grandest of all Hardy Climbers, producing enormous flowers four or five or more inches in diameter, and that in such profusion as to almost hide the foliage. A person who had never seen one might think our illustration exaggerated, but is a truthful representation of an established plant. For covering verandas, trellises, etc., it is simply unapproached and always attracts great attention so that it is being ever more and more planted in the finest places. They are not easily or rapidly propagated and the price is comparatively high, but they are really worth a dollar apiece, and the owner of a well established specimen would not take many times that amount for it. We offer two of the most distinct of the large flowering class, and the grand new variety, *Paniculata*, recently introduced from Japan.

Jackmanii. The best known of the family, and the one illustrated in our engraving. It is of a rich, royal purple, and when in bloom is a perfect mass of color. Price 75c each.

Henryii. By far the finest of the white sorts, very large, pure white, and a stronger grower than most sorts, and entirely hardy, while some others need a little protection in severe climates. Price 75c each.

Paniculata. Pure white flowers, smaller than the preceding, but borne in large panicles, upon stiff stems, standing out boldly from the rich green leaves, and swaying gracefully in every passing breeze. It is a wonderfully profuse bloomer, and the fragrance is delicious. It is a later bloomer than the larger sorts, continuing through August and September, when flowers are scarcer, and is also a very rapid grower, soon attaining a height of fifteen or twenty feet. Price 20c each. 3 for 50c.

Ampelopsis Veitchii.

BOSTON IVY.

The best of all the clinging, hardy vines, laying hold of brick, wood or stone, and growing rapidly to a height of fifty feet, covering the surface with a mantle of living green, and benefitting the walls, instead of injuring them, as the glossy leaves overlap like shingles, and keep the rain from the surface. In the autumn the foliage assumes the most dazzling tints of scarlet, crimson and yellow, making it even more ornamental at that season than before. 15c each; \$1.25 per dozen. Extra large, strong plants, 25c each; \$2.25 per dozen.

Chinese Matrimony Vine.

A great improvement on the old-fashioned variety. It is a most vigorous, hardy climber, covering a great amount of space in a short time and the new growth is quickly covered with purple flowers, that are succeeded by brilliant scarlet berries nearly an inch long, which form a beautiful contrast with the glossy, deep green foliage. It will grow and thrive in any situation. Price 15c each.

Honeysuckles.

Well known, perfectly hardy climbers, and among the very best. Every one that has room should have at least one for its fragrance, if for no other reason.

Lonicera Halliana. (Hall's Japan Honeysuckle.) A strong grower, almost an evergreen, bearing profusely very fragrant white flowers that change to yellow with age. It is the best bloomer of all the varieties, and is in flower from July till frost. 15c each.

Aurea Reticulata. This is the Golden Leaved Honeysuckle, the leaves being beautifully veined with yellow, and the flowers yellow and fragrant. Price 15c each.

Belgian Crown. The grandest of all Honeysuckles; the flowers are borne in large crown-like clusters and are very large, of a red color, with buff and yellow markings at the end of the tube. It is also an everbloomer and very fragrant. Price 20c each.

Calystegia.

Pubescens Flore Plena. This *Calystegia* is perfectly hardy, and grows to a height of six or eight feet, and is thickly covered with densely double flowers of the clear, delightful shade of pink shown by the *Hermosa Rose*. In fact, it might well be taken for a beautiful very double *Rose* at a short distance, if it were not upon a vine. 15c each.

English Ivy.

This beautiful vine is familiar to everyone. It is one of the few vines that will grow in a living room without any sunlight, and we have seen beautiful festoons of

Clematis Jackmanii.

it growing up the walls and over the ceiling of a parlor, where it never saw the sun, and the effect where it spanned the arch between two rooms was beautiful. Price 6c each.

Hydrangea.

Paniculata Grandiflora. This is not a climber, but the grandest of all hardy flowering shrubs, producing in the late summer on a strong plant, great numbers of immense panicle heads of white flowers sometimes over a foot in diameter. It is perfectly hardy, a rapid grower, and soon makes a grand specimen on the lawn. We unreservedly commend it to all, for we feel sure it will give the greatest satisfaction. Price 15c each; 3 for 25c.

SUMMER FLOWERING BULBS and TUBERS.

Under this heading will be found a variety of the best and surest blooming flowers we have, requiring less attention than almost any other class, and brightening up the garden in the hotter months more than can be told. The same delicacy and waxy richness that characterizes the Winter and Spring blooming bulbs also appears in these, and the surfaces often glisten and sparkle in a bewitching manner when closely observed. Of course some bulbous rooted plants, like the Caladium, are cultivated for their foliage, but the most of them for the wealth of bloom they unfold at so little trouble to their possessors. We have endeavored to offer them as cheaply as possible, but the considerable weight of good bulbs keeps the price for *that sort of stock* up to just about a certain point. The second and third size Gladioli are offered very low because they weigh light and can be mailed cheaply. Cannas properly belong among the tuberous rooted plants, but as they are often sold in a growing state they are catalogued among the plants for the sake of convenience.

TUBEROSE.

The Tuberose is a favorite everywhere. Its massive spikes of waxy flowers are of creamy whiteness, while its fragrance is so heavy and rich as to sometimes become unpleasant in a close room. It is of easy culture, only wanting a warm sunny place in the garden, and water in dry weather. It is one of the most tender of bulbs, and for this reason should not be planted out of doors until the ground is quite warm; this necessitates the starting of the bulbs in pots in the house in Northern States. The old-fashioned Tuberose grew very tall and produced comparatively small flowers, but the new Excelsior Pearl Tuberose is a wonderful improvement, bearing long spikes of large, perfectly double flowers, twice the size of the old sorts, while the fragrance is delicious.

Good blooming bulbs, 4c each; per dozen.....40

Mammoth Bulbs. Extra large especially selected bulbs 7c each; per dozen.....65

Albino. (See cut.) A new single Tuberose often producing two or more flowers of the purest white, far more graceful than the double sort. 9c each; 3 for 25c; per dozen.....80

Hyacinthus.

Candicans.

An enormous member of the Hyacinth family, which sends up in August stems four or five feet in height, bearing great spikes of waxy bell-shaped flowers of purest white. It is truly a magnificent flower, and a dozen of them planted in the center of a bed of Petunias, Calliopsis, or other bright flowers will be greatly admired. They are hardy excepting in cold climates, making them fine for cemetery decorations. They may also be lifted and stored away like Gladiolus. If you have never seen them in bloom do not fail to try a few. Good strong bulbs, 5c each; per dozen.....50

Ipomœa.

PANDURATA.

This is a hardy Moonflower that only needs to be planted, when it will come up each spring and grow stronger and more vigorous with each passing year. An established plant will produce almost incredible numbers of beautiful creamy white flowers four or five inches in diameter; over 1,200 have been counted on a single plant at one time. It is in bloom continually until frost, and the flowers remain open all day. No amount of dry weather will injure its great fleshy root, which sometimes attains a weight of from 50 to 100 pounds, and no winters are cold enough to harm it, but it comes up each year stronger than before, until it will cover the whole side of a building with a dense mass of luxuriant foliage.

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Good Tubers, 15c each; 3 for 40c; per dozen.....\$1 50
Extra large strong ones, 25c each; 5 for.....1 00

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Lilies.

Amaryllis.

The Amaryllis disputes with the Lily the title of King among bulbous flowers. Its umbels of large blooms are of the richest colors. It is generally grown as a pot plant, but may be planted out in the open ground in the summer. If you wish to raise large blossoms, give them a good rest for at least a third of the year, withholding nearly all water, but giving them plenty of both sun and water when growing. Out of many varieties I select three that may be offered at a moderate price and are of the easiest culture.

Belladonna. Hardy south of Washington, and further north if planted a foot deep and protected. Great flowers are produced in the autumn, six to twelve in a cluster, and are of a beautiful satiny rose color, and very fragrant. Large bulbs of blooming size, 25c each; 5 for \$1.00.

Equestre. A fine sort of great size, resembling Johnsonii, but of easier culture. If given a rest during the winter it will bloom in the spring, producing broad petaled flowers of soft salmon-scarlet, marked in the center with white bars. Strong bulbs, 25c each; 5 for \$1.00.

Formosissima. Jacobean Lily. This little gem should be planted out of doors in May, when it will bloom in two or three weeks before a leaf appears. It is of a glowing velvety crimson color. 15c each; 3 for 35; \$1.25 per dozen.

Cooperia.

Drummondii. A member of the Amaryllis family. A profuse bloomer, of purest white, opening unexpectedly all through the season. Fine. 8c each; 4 for 25c; 60c per dozen.

Zephyranthus.

Atamaseo. Pretty, Amaryllis-like flowers; fine for bedding, borders or pot plants; hardy south of the Ohio. Perfect little gems. This variety is pure white and fine for cutting. 5c each; 30c per dozen.

Rosen. Lovely rose pink. 5c each; 30c per dozen.

Andersonii. Orange yellow. A beauty. 10c each; 60c per dozen.

If the Rose is the Queen of flowers, surely the Lily is King, for no other plant combines such majestic beauty with such matchless grace. In fact the Lily is everywhere recognized as the very personification of grace, and the white Candidum is the universal emblem of purity wherever known. The flowers of the many varieties of this truly noble plant are of the purest white, delicate shades of buff and yellow, orange, red, brown, scarlet and crimson. Some of them are of medium size borne in profusion, others of immense size and exquisite loveliness; in fact the latter word seems to belong to the Lily as to no other flower. Except where noted the varieties are perfectly hardy, though all will well repay winter protection. They like light, moderately rich soil, and must be planted in a well-drained position or they are liable to rot.

Auratum. The King of all the Lilies. Immense white flowers sometimes measuring a foot in diameter, dotted with chocolate, with a broad band of yellow down the center of each petal. The flowers are deliciously fragrant and borne in the greatest profusion. Give only the morning sun.

Good blooming bulbs, 25c each; \$1.75 per dozen.

Mammoth size bulbs that will bloom grandly, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00.

Candidum. When once planted this Lily is there, and sends up its tall stalks each year, crowned with waxy flowers of the most delicious fragrance. A bed of fifty or a hundred of these is a life-long possession, and a source of the greatest pleasure. These Lilies should be planted before September 15th, and are ready August 15th.

Good strong bulbs, 15c each; \$1.75 per dozen.

Selected bulbs of great size, 25c each; 3 for 65c; \$2.50 per dozen.

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Elegans. An early-blooming Lily, bearing upright large cup-shaped flowers of yellow, orange and red. Fine mixtures of many colors. 10c each; \$1.00 per dozen.

Excelsum. A grand Lily five or six feet high, bearing large flowers of a peculiar buff color, and delightfully fragrant. A rare Lily of majestic beauty. 50c each; 3 for \$1.40.

Harrisii. The Bermuda Easter Lily for forcing in winter. Ready in August. The very finest winter bloomer. First size bulbs, 10c each; \$1.00 per dozen. Extra large bulbs, 20c each; \$2.00 per dozen. Mammoth bulbs, 40c each; \$4.50 per dozen.

Speciosum Album. The pure white Japanese Lily; perfectly hardy. A grand flower. 25c each; 4 for \$1.00.

Speciosum Rubrum. White, spotted rich crimson, free bloomer. 20c each; 6 for 50c.

Speciosum Punctatum. Pale rose with crimson spots raised above the surface. A richly beautiful sort with frosted appearance. 40c each; 3 for \$1.00.

Superbum. Our finest native Lily sometimes eight feet high producing from twenty to forty bright orange-red flowers, thickly spotted purple. 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Tigrium Fortunei. The improved Tiger Lily. Orange red spotted black, perfectly hardy. 10c each; \$1.00 per dozen.

Tigrium Flore Plena. The double Tiger Lily; large and full. 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Umbellatum. A fine, strong growing Lily producing enormous heads of very large flowers of deep and dazzling colors, in shades of yellow, buff, apricot, rose and crimson, many being richly spotted and variegated. 15c each; 3 for 45c.

Gloxinia.

If every one knew how easily these wonderfully beautiful summer bulbs are grown they would have an enormous sale. They only need ordinary good treatment, and will bloom constantly until autumn, when they should be gradually dried off and kept in a fairly warm place until time to start them again in the spring. Their large trumpet shaped flowers are sometimes delicately tinted, and again "tigered" or spotted with dots of violet, pink or crimson. Plant the bulbs with the depressed leaf up, in light soil and water sparingly until growth begins. **Mixed bulbs of splendid quality** 20c each; 3 for 50c; \$4.50 per dozen.

Gladiolus.

The Gladiolus is the best known and most popular of all summer flowering bulbs. Few bulbs of any sort can surpass it in beauty, and the richness and brilliancy of the stronger colors and extreme delicacy of the lighter tints are not to be described on paper. The spikes reach a height of from three to five feet, and for a foot or more are covered with great heavy, waxy flowers, whose surface glistens in the sunlight like the finest silk. It is a bulb for everybody; tho culture is the very easiest, they may be grown closely together and take up very little room, and with only a little attention in the matter of planting them rightly, a profusion of gorgeous flowers may be confidently looked for. Besides these virtues it possesses another which recommends it to every one who possesses even the smallest flower garden—the bulbs are exceedingly cheap; for while some extraordinarily fine new varieties are yet comparatively high in price, splendid mixtures made up of really fine varieties may be obtained for a song. In making out your spring order, do not fail to include Gladiolus; and quantities of them too, for they can be put in the ground in all sorts of out-of-the-way places, and among beds of other plants where they will take up no extra room, thrusting their sword-like stems through the foliage of the other plants and opening their flaming chalicees in the hottest summer weather, when their beauty is especially appreciated because it is especially needed. They are almost hardy and may be planted any time from April till July, in any good garden soil. Loosen the ground thoroughly and deeply and plant them five or six inches apart each way, and as many deep, this latter enabling them better to withstand dry weather. It will benefit them to keep the soil well stirred and water occasionally in very dry weather. After the first good frost, dig the bulbs up, cut off the tops, and dry them for two or three weeks, after which they may be stored in a cellar or other cool, dry place where there will be no danger of their freezing, until planting time comes again. Named sorts of Gladiolus have become so numerous, and mixtures of such fine quality may now be obtained so much cheaper, that instead of a long list of named varieties I offer superb mixtures under color, and you will find the prices exceedingly low. In addition to these I offer several named sorts of extraordinary merit and beauty.

Superb Mixed Gladiolus.

Made up from splendid named sorts, of all the best and brightest colors; deep carmine, brilliant scarlet, violet, pink, rose, blush, yellow, white, striped and blotched. Not a poor one among them.

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Mixed Gladiolus Under Color.

Red and Scarlet. Brilliant shades, per dozen, 25c; per 100.....\$1 75

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Draccephalus. This is a most curious and little known Gladiolus. The color is sometimes a bronzy, yellowish green, and again a reddish bronze, but always tinged with green. 5c each; per dozen.....\$ 50

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Duchess of Edinburgh. Purplish-rose, striped carmine. Flower of great size, spike six feet high; claimed to be the finest of all Gladiolus. 20c each; per dozen.....\$1.75

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Montbretia.

Crocusmaeflora.

For this bright and cheery flower we are indebted to the skill of the hybridizer, as it is the result of a cross between two different species of plants. The bulbs are quite small, and from July until October they throw up one spike after another of graceful Gladiolus-like flowers, of a glowing orange scarlet color. A perfect little beauty. They should be in every garden. 5c each, 3 for 10c, per dozen.....\$0 35

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Beautiful for edging walks in the garden. Plant them three inches apart, and they will make a solid mass of foliage and flowers. They are easily grown thus or in pots.

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Tigridia.

Tigridias.

It is surprising that such a wonderfully beautiful flower as this, and one, too which is of easy culture and so sure to succeed, it is not much more extensively grown. It is difficult to imagine a more curious and oddly beautiful flower than the Tigridia, or Shell Flower. It blooms from July until frost, producing large triangular flowers four or five inches in diameter of rich and brilliant colors, while the contrast between the sharply defined spots and ground color in the center is most vivid. This flower, like so many others, has been greatly improved in size and color, and a solid bed of them will produce an effect that you never dreamed of. They are very cheap; suppose you try a bed of them this year.

Conchiflora. Rich yellow and crimson, center variegated with yellow. 5c each; 2 for 10c; 30c per dozen.

Grandiflora. Very large deep red with yellow. 5c each; 3 for 10c; 30c per dozen.

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Sauromatum Simylense.

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The shorter and more appropriate name for this wonderful African bulb, is the Snake Lily. The enormous flowers are produced soon after planted, and are of a golden color. They are sometimes thirty inches in length, and it is one of the strangest plants that grow. If you want something decidedly odd and new, do not fail to try this. Price 25c each; 5 for \$1.00.

Extra large selected bulbs 45c each; 4 for \$1.50.

Caladiums, or Elephant's Ears.

Esculentum. Immense leaves, often a yard long; fine for tropical effects.

Good Bulbs. 15c each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Stronger Bulbs. 35c each, \$3.00 per dozen.

The Spotted Leaf Calla.

This Calla is much like the White Calla, but of rather smaller growth. The glossy leaves are deep rich green, covered with pure white, almost transparent spots. The dry roots are planted out like Gladioli, and dug and wintered in the same manner. Splendid for borders or beds.

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