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Gratiot, Ohio, 1903.

DEAR FRIEND—Again I have the pleasure of calling on you. Not personally, which I very much regret, as nothing would give me more pleasure than to meet one and all of my hundreds of customers now enrolled on our order books, as well as the others to whom I mail this catalog, with the desire that every one of these will join my throng of happy, pleased customers. But this I cannot do, so come again in my annual catalog form. My catalog is small, no bulky pages—flashy and misleading for you to pay for. No big prices charged (for perhaps greatly inferior seeds) to meet the enormous expense of business done in a city. To the many who have been duped by these gaudy catalogs, I will say, I endeavor to put the REAL value INSIDE the packets, and not on the catalog covers—serving all HONESTLY with SELECTED seeds at the lowest possible price.

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(1) Longstreth's New American Coffee Berry.

The best substitute for coffee ever discovered. Many pronounce it as good as the genuine coffee, and far superior to much of the ordinary store coffee. It is undoubtedly the poor man's friend, as it is the hardiest, easiest raised and the most productive plant I ever saw. While growing it is a perfect sight to behold, the plant branching out in all directions, the pods hanging so thick as to touch each other, frequently producing 200 PODS TO THE PLANT. It does well on every kind of soil, and you can raise your own COFFEE FOR ONE CENT A POUND. Many claim by mixing half and half with coffee you will have a perfect drink. One thing I know, and that is my NEW AMERICAN COFFEE BERRY alone makes a drink far superior to some of the store coffee, for I have drank them both. Parch and prepare like other coffee, and you will be surprised and delighted to find how good it is. My seed is genuine, and is quite distinct from late ripening varieties that many seedsmen offer, which very seldom mature in this latitude. The variety I am offering this year is EXTRA EARLY, and will mature in any section that the ordinary beans will. Plant and cultivate the same as beans. Large packet, 10c.; three for 25c.

(2) Burpee's Bush Lima Bean.

Comes absolutely true from seed. Bushes grow 18 to 20 inches high, very stout, and always erect, yet branching so vigorously that each plant develops into a magnificent circular bush from two to three feet in diameter. The leaves are of very large size and great substance, and the bush character is now so thoroughly established that not one plant in a thousand shows any disposition to run. The thickness of main stalk and branches, the unusual size, healthy green color, and thick leathery leaves, indicate the strong constitution of this variety, bearing strong crops. It is a sure cropper and immense yielder, each bush bearing 50 to 200 large pods well filled with very large beans, in size and flavor identical with the well known large Pole Limas. Packet, 8c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint, 15c.; pint, 25c.

CUCUMBER.

3. **WHITE SNOW.**—Introduced eight years ago by a Wisconsin seed firm, and it has completely captured the hearts of thousands upon thousands of cucumber growers. Every lady who graces her table therewith once would not get along without it. It is undoubtedly the handsomest White Cucumber in the world. The vines are quite vigorous in growth, bearing an immense yield of beautiful cucumbers, which are of large size, and always of a pure waxen white color, and extremely attractive. The flesh is solid, pure white, exceedingly crisp and tender. Packet 10c.

LETTUCE.

4. **NEW ICEBERG.**—There is no handsomer or more solid cabbage lettuce grown. It is of unusual striking appearance. The large curly leaves which cover the outside of the solid heads are of a bright light green. The heads are very solid, crisp and exceedingly tender, even in the hottest days of summer. Heads frequently eight inches in diameter. Slow to run to seed. Don't fail to give it a trial; sure to give satisfaction. Packet 5c.; oz. 10c.

ONION.

5. **AUSTRALIAN BROWN.**—Is of medium size, wonderfully hard and solid, and most attractive for market, both as to form and appearance. They are extremely early in ripening, and never make any stiff necks or scallions. Every seed seems to produce a good-sized onion, and the bulb begins to form very quickly, when the plant is not over three inches high. Planted with the Red Wethersfield, it proved to be nearly four weeks earlier, and ripened off more uniformly. We think from its firmness and hardness that it will keep longer in good condition than any other Onion known. The color of the skin is a clear amber-brown. Packet 5c.; oz. 10c.; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30c.

NEW RADISH.

6. **CINCINNATI MARKET.**—This superb Radish, as its name indicates, was produced in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio. It is seldom that even a good thing leaps with one bound into general favor as has been the case with Cincinnati Market. The tops are so very small that the Radishes may stand touching each other in the rows. One grower says that the tops are too small to "pull by," and also that he never thins this variety like he would other kinds, which quickly run up to seed if left standing too thickly in the row. They grow perfectly straight and smooth, and from 6 to 7 inches in length. Their attractive, glossy, scarlet-colored skin is very thin, and the flesh crisp and brittle, and of delightfully pungent flavor. It is by all odds the finest Long Red Radish for forcing, and outsells all others in any market to which it goes. Being long standing, it is also an extra fine sort for the home garden, entirely exempt from any tendency to become pithy or hollow. Beware of spurious seeds. What we offer is seed from pure, straight stock. Packet 5c.; oz. 10c.

TOMATO.

7. **HONOR BRIGHT.**—The best sort to grow for distant markets. The best for late crop. A new and very distinct variety. The foliage is a yellowish-green, and the first fruit as it ripens turns first white, then yellow, and when fully ripe is a bright red. The flesh is very firm and quite solid. The fruit ripens slowly, and seems to ripen up exceptionally well after picking, so that fruit can be picked when white, packed and shipped, and after ten to thirty days will be found solid and ripened to a rich, bright red. Well worthy of trial. Packet 5c.

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—OF—
SWEET PEAS.

Emblem Red. Emblem White. Emblem Blue.

Every patriotic American who loves flowers will take special pride and delight in watching the brilliant colors of "Old Glory" display themselves side by side in the blossoms of that favorite American flower—the Sweet Pea. This National Emblem Collection is so strikingly effective, as well as a source of continued inspiration and enjoyment, to which the fragrance as well as the grace and beauty of the flowers contribute greatly. It is necessary to see this "National Emblem" collection growing together, showing its brilliant reds, pure whites and rich blues in vivid American Flag contrasts, in order to appreciate its beauty and effectiveness.

8. EMBLEM RED (Brilliant).—A very brilliant, rich red, the flowers retaining their coloring under the hottest sun; standards broad and slightly hooded; wings widely spreading. The cut blossoms retain their brilliancy when seen by artificial light, a most desirable point in floral decorations. Pkt. 5c.; oz. 10c.

9. EMBLEM WHITE (Sadie Burpee).—The flowers of this new variety are of the very largest size and purest snowy white. They come in threes, at the summit of a stiff stem, and last unusually well when cut. It is the finest as well as the largest pure white Sweet Pea known. Pkt. 5c.; oz. 10c.

10. EMBLEM BLUE (Navy Blue).—The only Sweet Pea that is of a true blue color; entirely distinct from any other variety. General color effect, dark blue; standards brilliant royal purple; wings pure violet. A most vigorous grower, and a wonderful free-flowering variety. Pkt. 5c.; oz. 10c.

11. To induce all my customers and friends to try our "National Emblem" collection of Sweet Peas, I will give a full size packet Emblem Red, White and Blue, one of each, for only 10c. One ounce of each variety only 20c.

W. B. LONGSTRETH, Gratiot Station, Zanesville, Ohio.

JAPANESE MORNING GLORY.

12. New Giant Flowered. Most beautiful and valuable annual flowers introduced in 25 years, and the most popular flowers. Magnificent in size and appearance. The great variety of rich and delicate colors, tints and markings is wonderful and almost incredible. Many are of very odd and singular forms. The foliage is almost as beautiful as the flowers, and they would be worthy of culture even if they had no flowers. The leaves are of various forms, some ivy-like, smooth and glossy; others very hairy; some are green, splashed and variegated. Vines grow rapidly, climbing from 15 to 30 feet, and soon cover arbors, piazzas, etc., with a mass of rich foliage and flowers. Large packet 10c.

CARNATION POPPIES.

13. Recall to mind every color you have ever seen in Poppies, then imagine every conceivable combination of these colors—striped, blotched, edged and bordered, on both single, semidouble and double flowers—and you will have but a faint idea of the varied beauty of my superb mixture of 25 choicest varieties of Poppies. Pkt. 5c.

CHRYSANTHEMUM.

14. Plant in a ring 2 feet 3 inches from center of bed. Thin till eight inches apart. I offer seeds of the Chrysanthemum Crimson and Gold, a beautiful annual. Plants grow two and a half feet high, branch freely, and are covered with masses of large, attractive, golden flowers with distinct crimson rings. The foliage is deeply serrated, of a light green color, and forms an elegant background for the flowers. Any person can grow this elegant annual, and it blooms all season, till after severe frosts. A fine pot plant. Started in summer it blooms well in the window in winter. Pkt. 5c.

Folk Station, O., Mar. 7, 1902.

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BEANS—Dwarf or Bush.

Plant after danger of frost is past in drills 18 inches apart and 4 inches apart in the drill, in most any good garden soil, except a cold, wet one. Do not hoe or cultivate when wet with dew or rain.

16. **LIGHTNING EARLY RED VALENTINE.**—Is just what its name indicates. It is the earliest kidney-shaped bean in the world. The most profitable variety for market. For a green podded snap bean there is no variety its equal. The vines are erect, bearing an abundance of pods of medium size, and when young they are entirely stringless. Among the green podded sorts none can be compared with our stock of Lightning Valentine. Sure to give satisfaction. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.; pint 18c.; quart 35c.

17. **YELLOW KIDNEY, OR SIX WEEKS.**—Vines large and very productive; nearly as early as the Lightning Valentine. Pods green, and always thick and meaty. Adapted to any soil and weather. The beans, when dry, are kidney-shaped, and in color are a yellowish drab. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.

18. **EXTRA-EARLY REFUGEE GREEN-POD.**—It is similar in every respect to the ordinary Refugee, but is nearly two weeks earlier. It is enormously prolific, and from its earliness is almost certain to produce a crop, no matter how unfavorable the season. In quality it is unexcelled, being exceptionally free from string, and meltingly tender at all stages of its growth. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.; pint 18c.

19. **DWARF WHITE NAVY.**—The most valuable variety and the heaviest yielding bean known, growing 18 to 24 inches high and branching out in all directions, and bearing an abundance of well-filled pods. Immensely productive. The beans are small, pure white, cook quickly, and have a very fine flavor. Medium early. Sure to give satisfaction. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.; pint 16c.; quart 28c.

20. **HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA.**—Popular variety. Valuable on account of its extreme earliness and wonderful productiveness, continuing to grow and set pods until killed by frost. Vines are without runners; leaves small, green and Lima-like. Pods short, flat, and contain from three to five beans, which are of a very delicious flavor. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.; pint 18c.

21. **DAVIS KIDNEY WAX.**—Having many calls for a wax bean, I selected the Davis kidney Wax, and will recommend it to my customers as the most productive wax bean in cultivation. The pods are long, straight, of clear waxy white color, and quite stringless. The beans are pure white, kidney-shaped, exceedingly crisp and tender, and will produce one-third more beans to the same amount of ground than any other wax bean. Packet 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.; pint 18c.

BEANS—Pole or Running.

Plant in hills 3 to 4 feet apart, and 2 in. deep, and about six beans to a hill; when well established thin to three plants to the hill.

22. **OLD HOMESTEAD.**—Far ahead of any other green podded Pole Bean. At least ten days earlier than any other Pole Bean. It is enormously productive, the pods hanging in great clusters from top to bottom of the pole; entirely stringless; excellent flavor. The pods are silvery green in color, very long, frequently containing 7 to 9 long, oval, dun-colored (when dry) beans, which always cook tender and delicious. Packet 6c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 12c.; pint 20c.

23. **LAZY WIFE.**—Very popular variety. Pods 6 to 8 inches long, entirely stringless, of a rich, buttery flavor when cooked; an excellent white shell bean for winter use. A good bean to plant with corn. Pkt. 5c.; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 12c.; pint 20c.

Burpee's Bush Lima Beans.

BEANS—Continued.

24. **CUT SHORT OR CORN HILL.**—An old variety that is in favor for planting among corn. Beans nearly oblong, cut off diagonally at the ends; white, covered at one end with reddish brown dots. Packet 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 12c.

25. **SIEBERT'S EARLY LIMA.**—The earliest true Lima and the very best for market gardeners. Very productive, hardy and vigorous. Produces pods early, and the beans are of fine quality. The green shelled beans are of immense size, but so tender and succulent that they shrink in drying to about the size of the Large White Lima. Packet 10c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 15c; pint 25c.

THE BEST BEETS.

Sow as early in the spring as the ground can be worked in light, well-manured soil, in drills 12 inches apart and 1 inch deep. Thin to four inches apart. For winter use sow in June.

26. **COLUMBIA.**—This distinct new beet is early, of finest quality and great uniformity, both in roots and neat handsome foliage, being of turnip-shape, with smooth, clear skin, and deep blood red flesh of extra fine quality. Packet 5c.

27. **EARLY BLOOD TURNIP.**—The standard early variety; blood red, turnip-shaped, with small top and tap root, smooth, very tender, and good for early use, and if planted later it will make an excellent beet for winter use. Packet 5c; oz. 7c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 15c

CABBAGE.

For the very early crop sow in the hot-bed in March. For the main crop sow in open ground the latter part of May, and when two or three inches high transplant

into rows 2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet apart each way, allowing more room for the large growing sorts.

28. **EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.**—The earliest and hardest heading of extra early cabbages. Most gardeners depend upon it for the bulk of their extra early crop. Our stock is grown and selected with the greatest care and there is none better and there are few as good. Heads conical, very compact, solid and of excellent quality. The thick, stout leaves and compact habit make it the best for wintering over and very early setting. Pkt. 5c; oz. 20c.

29. **NEW AUTUMN KING** (or World Beater)—This peerless variety, I say without hesitation, is one of the finest in this country to-day—entirely distinct and the best keeper. It produces enormous, solid heads and has such small outer leaves that it can be relied upon to produce a greater weight of crop per acre than any other variety—it all goes to head. Its peculiarly handsome, crimped leaves enables it to be distinguished anywhere. It is one of the grandest of winter varieties, and is decidedly the best mammoth cabbage in existence. All seed grown from headquarters stock and very carefully selected from extra solid heads, pure and true. Remember cheap cabbage seed is always dear. Packet 10c; 3 for 25c.

30. **LATE FLAT DUTCH.**—An excellent winter variety, producing large, flat, round heads, very solid. The quality is very fine and the flavor excellent. Packet 5c; oz. 12c.

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Your name, and address if desired, neatly printed on 50 Fine Bristol Cards, in the latest style, with fancy script or elegant card style type, only 25c. Many other printers charge 50 cents. Twenty-five cards for 15 cents.

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CRATIOT STATION, OHIO.

CELERY.

Sow early in April. Transplant about the first of June in rows three feet apart and the plants six inches in the row. Trim the plants two or three times when small to promote stalky growth. As fall approaches draw earth up to the plants, keeping the stalks well together.

31. **GIANT PASCAL.**—This is without doubt the best general purpose celery ever introduced. The stalks are remarkably large, thick and solid; entirely stringless with a golden heart, very crisp and brittle, rich nutty flavor. It blanches very easily and quickly, requiring but little earthing-up; a most vigorous grower—succeeding well under almost all conditions. It seldom rusts or rots and is most excellent for shipping. Every market and private gardener should grow it largely. Valuable for fall and mid-winter use. Packet 5c.

32. **WHITE PLUME.**—Stalk, inner leaves and heart are white, so that tying up or simply drawing up the soil completes the work of blanching. Equal to the very best sorts—early, handsome, easily grown, profitable for early market. Packet 5c.

SWEET CORN.

Plant when the ground becomes thoroughly warm, in hills 3 feet apart each way. For a succession continue to plant about every 2 weeks until the last of July.

33. **MAMMOTH WHITE CORY.**—The ears are fully twice the size of the old Cory, white cobbled, and covered with very large, white grains of good quality. The gardener who wishes to get the cream of the trade should make his plantings of this splendid novelty. Extra early. Pkt. 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 8c; pint 15c.

34. **STOWELL'S EVERGREEN.**—Medium late, hardy and productive, very tender and sugary, remaining a long time fit for table use. Pkt. 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 8c; pint 15c.

CUCUMBERS.

For very early cucumbers the seed can be planted in a piece of inverted sod in the hot bed or in the house, and transplanted, sod and all, into open ground when danger of frost is past. For the main crop plant in open ground after danger of frost, in hills four feet apart each way, and cover the seed with about one inch of soil.

35. **IMPROVED LONG GREEN.**—Produced by selection from the Long Green. Vines vigorous and productive, forming fruit fit for the table nearly as early as the shorter sorts; fruit about 12 inches long, firm and crisp. The young fruit makes one of the best of pickles, and when ripe is the best of any for sweet pickles. We offer a carefully selected strain, uniformly long and of good form, with the large warts and spines well distributed over the surface instead of being clustered at one end, as in inferior stocks. Pkt. 5c; oz. 20c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60c.

36. **COOL AND CRISP.**—This variety is claimed to be the earliest and most prolific of all pickling cucumbers. The vines are exceedingly productive, bearing the entire season. The cucumbers are of a dark green color, very crisp and tender. Pkt. 5c; oz. 20c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60c.

37. **WHITE SPINE or ARLINGTON.**—One of the most popular varieties, both for marketing and table use. Vines vigorous, fruiting early and abundantly; straight and handsome; light green, with a few white spines; flesh crisp and of a delicious flavor. It is one of the best for slicing. Pkt. 5c; oz. 20c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 60c.

Oktober Snow Cucumbers.

LETTUCE.

Lettuce delights in a rich, mild soil. Sow as early as the ground can be worked, in drills about one foot apart, and every two weeks for a succession. When well up thin to six or eight inches apart, so the plants can form heads.

38. CALIFORNIA CREAM BUTTER.—This is one of the best of the Summer varieties of Head Lettuce. The heads are of good size, and are so very solid they often have to be cut before the seed stalk can appear. Center cream yellow; leaves of the head are enclosed with outer ones marked with small brown spots. They are crisp, have a rich, buttery flavor; and are an ornament to the table. Packet 5c; oz. 10c.

39. NEW YORK MARKET—Standard variety; forms very large, solid heads, often 12 to 16 inches in diameter, and weighing from 3 to 4 pounds. It is the most crisp and tender lettuce I ever saw, of excellent flavor, and entirely free from bitterness. Packet 5c; oz. 10c.

40. LONGSTRETH'S PRIZE HEAD—This is one of the finest head lettuce in cultivation. Heads large, solid, tender, blanching perfectly; oily and battery in texture, and delicious in flavor. Pkt. 5c; oz. 8c.

MUSK MELON.

Select a light, sandy, rich soil, and after all danger of frost is past plant in hills 4 to 6 feet apart each way, 6 to 12 seeds to the hill. When danger of insects is over, thin to about three plants to a hill.

41. NEW ROCKY FORD—This has become one of the most popular of small or basket melons. The fruit is oval, slightly ribbed, densely covered with coarse netting. Flesh thick, green, very sweet and highly flavored. An amazing yielder. A healthy, vigorous grower. Always brings the highest price. Unsurpassed in luscious flavor. Unquestionably the best early Muskmelon in existence. Enormous prices are paid for this variety to the exclusion of all others. Every market and home gardener should plant it largely. My seed is pure and true, and selected with extra care. Beware of spurious seed—there is much of it afloat. Pkt. 5c; oz. 15c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 40c.

WATER MELON.

Plant and cultivate the same as Musk Melons, except the hills should be about 8 feet apart each way.

42. SWEET-HEART.—The most valuable melon offered in years. An all-round melon, unsurpassed. Early, large, handsome, heavy, good shipper, long keeper, brightest color, best quality. Vines vigorous, very productive; ripens early, and bears long. Fruit large, oval, very heavily mottled, or netted, light and dark green. Rhind thin, but very strong, making it a melon unsurpassed for shipping. Flesh red, melting, and sweet. The best keeper. The Sweet-Heart melon brings a good price when others rot for want of purchasers. Packet 4c; oz. 7c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20c.

ONIONS.

The onion requires a clean and very rich soil. Use well-rotted manure freely, thoroughly mixing it with the soil. Sow as early as possible, in drills one foot apart and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep. Thin out early, and keep the soil mellow and free from weeds. One ounce will sow 150 feet in drills. For sets sow very thick.

43. OHIO GLOBE DANVERS.—The finest shaped, best and largest cropper of any Yellow Onion in the world. The bulbs are large, globe-shaped, with very small necks, of a rich orange yellow color, enormous yielder and a splendid keeper. I would say to my friends that if you want a choice strain of Yellow Globe Onions, this is the variety you want. Pkt. 5c; oz. 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30c.

44. LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD.—The most popular red onion grown. Fine form, skin purplish red, flesh white; immensely productive; excellent keeper. Pkt. 5c; oz. 10c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 30c.

PARSNIP.

Sow as early in the spring as the ground can be worked, in rich soil, in drills 15 inches apart; thin to 5 to 7 inches in the row.

45. HOLLOW CROWN—A great cropper; tender and sugary, and considered the best for general cultivation. Parsnips are improved by remaining exposed to frost. Pkt. 2c; oz. 6c.

PEAS.

Peas require a light and rather rich soil. For the first crop, plant as early as possible, and at intervals of about every two weeks for succession. Sow in double rows (about one foot apart), two inches deep. All peas will yield much better if some support, such as brush, wire, etc., be used.

46. **EARLIEST OF ALL OR ALASKA.**—By careful selection and growing we have developed a stock of this smooth, blue pea, which in evenness of growth of vine and early maturity of pods is unequalled by any other extra early pea. Vines two to two and one-half feet high, unbranched, bearing four to seven long pods, which are filled with medium-sized bright green peas of excellent flavor. Ripe peas small, bluish-green. Matures all the crop at once, and is an invaluable variety for market gardeners and canners. Pkt. 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c; pint 18c; quart 35c.

47. **LONGSTRETH'S FIRST AND BEST.**—By most careful comparison we are convinced that this is the earliest and most even stock of white extra early peas in existence; maturing so well together that a single picking will secure the entire crop. Vines vigorous and hardy, two to two and one-half feet high, unbranched, bearing three to seven straight pods, having five to seven medium-sized, smooth peas of good quality. The dry peas are medium sized, smooth, yellowish-white. Pkt. 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c.

48. **CHAMPION OF ENGLAND.**—Undoubtedly one of the best peas grown, and very popular. It is very productive, and the peas are of a delicious flavor. In long years of introduction, nothing better in quality has ever been produced. Height 4 to 5 feet. Packet 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ pint 10c; pint 18c; quart 35c.

PEPPER.

Sow in hot-bed in March, or in open ground when the weather has become warm. Transplant when three inches high in rows two feet apart and fifteen inches apart in the row. Set the plants in rich, warm, mellow soil.

49. **SWEET MOUNTAIN.**—Plants vigorous and productive; fruit very large, often seven or eight inches in length, by two or three in diameter; smooth and handsome, and when matured are of a

rich red color; flesh thick, sweet and mild of flavor; one of the best for pickling or stuffing like mangoes. Packet 5c.

50. **GOLDEN QUEEN.**—One of the largest, handsomest and most productive perfect shaped peppers in cultivation. Fruits 6 to 10 inches long and 4 to 5 inches through; in color they are a bright, waxy, golden yellow, and of the mildest flavor. Packet 5c.

51. **LONG RED CAYENNE.**—A small, pointed, slim pod variety; strong and pungent. Packet 5c.

RADISH.

Radishes must grow quickly to be crisp and tender. Select a warm, sandy, rich, mellow soil. Use plenty of well-rotted manure. A liberal dressing of coarse salt will make the roots more brittle, and keep them free from worms.

52. **EARLY RED BIRD.**—The quickest of all Red Radishes. Quick growth is one of the main essentials for a crisp and tender radish. This matures in 20 days after sowing, which makes it one of the most valuable sorts for forcing or out-door culture. The flesh is pure white, crisp and of very pleasant flavor; the skin is a most attractive bright scarlet. The leaves are very short, which admits of very close sowing. Pkt. 5c; oz. 8c; $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 20c.

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