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FRUIT PLANT CATALOGUE

1908

Nineteen years ago this winter, we issued two hundred (200) little price lists. Simply one leaf describing four varieties of small fruit plants. This year we are mailing thirty thousand (30,000) catalogues like this one, to fruit farmers living in all sections of the United States. In preparing copy for our 1908 catalogue we wish first to again thank our many customers and friends throughout the country for their continued patronage and assistance, and to assure them of our most careful attention and treatment in the future. With your co-operation our business has increased until we now operate one of the largest, if not the very largest small fruit nurseries in the United States.

This catalogue is our only salesman.

Our whole business depends almost entirely upon the descriptions of our stock and prices quoted on same in this catalogue.

Consequently it will be our aim and to our advantage to describe everything carefully and honestly as we find it, and to make our prices right.

We continue to receive orders from our former customers year after year, and we believe that this fact alone is as good advertising as we can get.

It especially pleases us to note that so many of our 1907 customers are the same that have been with us nearly every year for the past fifteen years.

We believe this denotes something more than just "force of habit." If you need plants for Spring planting, **give us your order.** We assure you it will be our earnest endeavor to treat you in a manner that will let your name be seen upon our order books for years to come.

Many nurserymen catalogue more varieties than we do, but we have a good list of all the varieties that have proved themselves worthy of praise on our grounds. We have fruited nearly everything we catalogue and are in a position to describe each variety thoroughly.

We have thrown out several nearly worthless varieties.

We do not think our fields of strawberry plants ever went into the winter in better condition than they did this fall.

Our cane and tip plants are also **extra heavy rooted** this year, owing to our having had plenty of rainfall.

None of our plants are allowed to fruit before digging, and when we dig we take up the whole row, thereby giving our customers the strongest stock that can be grown. All plants are carefully trimmed and tied in bunches of twenty-five. Small plants are thrown out. **Everything we ship will be as represented.**

Ten hundred good strong plants in every thousand, packed to reach you in good condition and give satisfaction.

All plants are fresh dug when shipped. We put no plants in cellars. We do not want to plant cellared stock ourselves, and we do not expect our customers to do so.

We publish in this catalogue a few of the many unsolicited testimonials received during the past year.

We have pleased these people and we believe we can please you. In fact, we are sure we can, if given a fair chance. Are you already a customer of ours? If not, why not give us a trial order this year? Even if your order is small, it will receive just as careful attention, and this will give us an opportunity to get acquainted, and if our acquaintance proves a mutual "good thing," we can probably have more business together in 1909.

A few reasons we have for believing we can please you with our plants and save you some money. (Read them carefully.)

We have plenty of rich, well drained land especially adapted for growing strong, healthy plants. (This means strictly first-class stock.)

We have our own moss for packing and can use enough to keep plants in good condition for some time at very small cost to us. (This means that plants will be in fresh growing condition upon arrival.)

We have a full force of experienced help—men and women who have been with us from five to fifteen years and who have learned to pack plants to our satisfaction and to the satisfaction of our thousands of customers throughout the United States and Canada. (This means that all stock will go into crates, boxes, etc., in good shape, correctly labeled, and varieties carefully separated.)

We grow plants by the million on our own ground, under our personal supervision and know what we are selling. (This means that our plants are carefully grown, kept unmixed and true-to-name and fresh dug for your order.)

We have enough experienced help to dig, pack and deliver to cars 500,000 strawberry plants and 100,000 cane fruit plants daily, through the season. (This means promptness and early shipment.)

SCARCITY OF PLANTS FOR 1908.

We find there is a marked scarcity of raspberry and blackberry plants in nearly all parts of the country.

Strawberry plants, too, are a short crop in many fruit sections.

We believe the demand for 1908 setting will be extra heavy. At our prices, we expect to sell out of all varieties before shipping season is over in the Spring.

We earnestly advise all to place their orders just as soon as possible, and especially urge our former customers and friends to order early that they may not be disappointed as we have been obliged to disappoint them sometimes in past years.

WE REALIZE THAT EVERY TIME OUR STOCK AND TREATMENT OF A PATRON PLEASES THAT PATRON WE CAN DEPEND UPON HIM FOR A REGULAR CUSTOMER IN THE FUTURE.

THIS THOUGHT AND PRINCIPLE, WITH CAREFUL PRACTICE OF THE SAME, THROUGHOUT THE PAST NINETEEN YEARS HAS MADE THOUSANDS OF REGULAR CUSTOMERS FOR US.

WE WANT YOUR PATRONAGE! WE WILL USE YOU RIGHT!

Let us hear from you soon, and do not be afraid to ask questions.

Please remember that you are always welcome to any information we are able to give you.

AWAITING YOUR FAVORS WHICH WILL RECEIVE CAREFUL AND PROMPT PERSONAL ATTENTION, I AM,

VERY TRULY YOURS,

O. A. D. BALDWIN, BRIDGMAN, MICH.

OUR LOCATION.

We are located in Lake township, the greatest strawberry township in the world.

Lake township is in Berrien County, the greatest strawberry county in Michigan. Berrien county is in the "Famous Fruit Belt" of Michigan, known the world over. Here plant growth is as perfect as anywhere in the United States. Thus our customers are favored with our location as to natural advantages.

Plants grown in the cold, northern climate are strong and hardy, and when transplanted will grow and bear fruit.

Our shipping facilities are also **in your favor**. We are one and one-half miles from Lake Michigan on the Pere Marquette R. R., only a few miles from the great trunk lines like the Michigan Central, Big Four, Grand Trunk, Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, Nickle Plate, etc., etc., making quick connections to all parts of the United States. Only 77 miles from Chicago.

OUR STOCK OF PLANTS.

We have a large stock of extra heavy-rooted plants of all varieties quoted. While our present acreage is not quite so large as last year, our stock of plants is heavier.

PRICES:—Our prices average about the same as last year. **We believe our prices will compare favorably with any reliable nursery. We do not wish to try to compete with other than responsible parties.**

VARIETIES.—Our strawberry list contains about thirty of the best varieties there are. Every year we sell out of some varieties and are then obliged to return money sent or substitute other varieties (if permitted to do so.) This year we have thrown out several varieties that seem to be worthless and are cataloguing only those which have proven themselves to be profitable fruit producers.

We have added but few varieties.

Our Pride of Michigan is by far the best of all late introductions of strawberry plants and we want to add only those that are profitable and will please our customers. Be sure to look at our description and illustration of Baldwin's Pride of Michigan.

Eaton is the only new raspberry we catalogue. Eaton is a very profitable berry. See our description and illustration in red raspberry department.

Mersereau blackberry is a wonderful berry. While Eldorado is now the most popular and by far the most profitable blackberry grown, we believe Mersereau will be still more profitable when planted as extensively. See our description of Mersereau in blackberry department, also on outside of back cover.

Baldwin's Pride of Michigan strawberry, Eaton red raspberry, Cumberland black raspberry, and Mersereau blackberry are the best varieties of fruit plants that money can buy in this country at the present time. Try them. There is big money in it for you.

BOXING AND PACKING.—We make no charge for boxes, barrels and packing, which is done in best possible manner. We use thousands of light plant crates and handled baskets for express, and heavier ones for freight. We manufacture our own crates for shipping. We pack in moss and straw, of which we use many tons each year. It is very seldom that any of our customers report arrival of plants in poor condition on account of not being properly packed.

METHODS OF SHIPMENT.—BY MAIL.—The reduction in postage on plants enables us to send small amounts to distant sections at small cost and thus place in customers hands a few of a kind **cheaper** than they could procure them of their nearest nursery.

BY EXPRESS.—This is the safest and, all things considered, the cheapest way of shipping strawberry plants. It is the method most commonly used for carrying large bills to distant parts of the country, as there is no delay as sometimes occurs by freight. Plants go for 20 per cent less by express than other goods. Some nurserymen will tell you that they have secured a cut rate, this is not the case, all receive the same rate.

We advise all to order their strawberry plants shipped by express. We guarantee safe arrival of all stock shipped by mail or express.

BY FREIGHT.—We ship large amounts of stock long distances by fast freight. Nearly all the plants bought of us by **nurseries and dealers** all over the United States to sell again are ordered sent by freight. All such should be ordered early. Many ask, "How far can you ship by freight?" We have shipped safely as far west as the **Pacific and east as the Atlantic**. We send large bills by freight every year into all parts of the United States and Canada, and most go through safely, but of course delays sometimes occur and stock is injured. As the buyer is the one benefitted by freight rates, he must take the risk. Cane plants of all kinds generally go through **safely by freight**, if distance is not too great.

TIME TO ORDER.

ORDER EARLY by all means—the earlier the better. If anything more is needed it can be added later; besides we give **liberal discounts** on early orders. If not prepared to send all the money, send a part when the order will be booked; the balance before shipment.

Orders are filled in rotation as received; hence it is to your advantage to have your order booked early. At this writing, November 15th, we have sever-

al orders on our books for spring shipment. See what you will want and order now.

Substitution.—We do not substitute one variety for another without your permission, unless order is received after season is nearly over.

It is sometimes a great help to us and also a good thing for our customers if we are allowed to substitute for some variety we may happen to be sold out of. We always substitute some variety of same season, sex and quality as that ordered, and generally give customers no cause for complaint. Should you give us the permission, we will not substitute, of course, unless it is absolutely necessary.

Our Terms are Cash.—No order is booked unless accompanied by a remittance as a guarantee of good faith; the balance before shipment. At our prices we cannot afford to do a credit business. We give references as to our reliability etc., which all are at liberty to investigate. Our prices are low for cash. As we have said heretofore, we have been "beat" so many times by dishonest men that we must refuse all orders unless money is sent.

Liability.—While we take the greatest pains to have our stock pure and unmixed and true to name, mistakes will sometimes occur, and if found to be our fault, we will either replace stock not found to be true or refund the money.

Remember, we are never liable for more than first cost of plants.

References, as to our standing and reliability we refer, by permission to the Postmaster or Express Agent of Bridgman; County Treasurer, St. Joseph, Mich., and Commercial National Bank, of St. Joseph, Mich. In writing to above, please enclose stamp for reply.

How to Send Money.—By Chicago or New York draft, express money order, postoffice order or registered letter. Please do not send checks on country banks as there is often exchange to pay which will have to be charged to you.

SEASON FOR SHIPPING.

We commence to ship the last of March or first of April, according to season, and will continue till all stock is gone (generally about May 20th to 25th.)

We issue no fall catalogue but send out some stock after October 1st. Plants in this latitude do not mature before this date and would not give satisfaction. They are full grown and heavy rooted by October 1st, and as some had rather plant in fall, we will ship what orders we receive then at prices quoted in this catalogue. Please do not ask us to ship plants until October.

If more than one catalogue should be received, please hand to some neighbor and oblige. Also, if you have neighbors (fruit growers) that you think would like our catalogue, if you will send a few names on a postal card we will mail them one, and will send you a few plants for your trouble.

ESTIMATES.

If you want a quantity of plants write us at once for special discount. We can of course sell cheaper accordingly when filling a large order than a small one. Bills for low quotations must be received early, when stock is unbroken. Now is the time to write for special prices. Let us hear from you at once.

SCARCITY OF SEED POTATOES.

You all know what a short crop of potatoes there was throughout the country this year.

Our stock is not large and of course will be sold early at prices quoted in this catalogue. We advise all our friends and former customers to place their orders for seed potatoes just as soon as possible, so that we may hold them for you.

Our stock is in fine shape in cellars and will be kept at even temperature till shipping season. We have the smallest stock of seed potatoes that we have had for years. We will be sold out in a short time.

BEST HE EVER SAW.

Plymouth, Route 25, June 2, 1907.

Dear Sir:

I beg your humble pardon for not having acknowledged receipt of plants you shipped me. I must say they were the best I ever saw sent out. They arrived here in the best of condition. Are all set out and doing fine. Thanking you for past favors, I am

Yours truly,

O. A. GHOSLIN.

A FEW POINTERS.

The following table may assist some in determining how many plants they will need for a certain piece of ground.

NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUIRED TO PLANT ONE ACRE.

Distance.		Plants.	Distance.		Plants.
1	by 1 foot.....	43,560	6	by 3 feet.....	2,420
2	by 1 foot.....	21,780	6	by 4 feet.....	1,815
2	by 2 feet.....	10,890	6	by 5 feet.....	1,452
3	by 1 foot.....	14,520	6	by 6 feet.....	1,210
3	by 2 feet.....	7,260	7	by 1 foot.....	6,222
3	by 3 feet.....	4,840	7	by 2 feet.....	3,111
4	by 1 foot.....	10,890	7	by 3 feet.....	2,074
4	by 2 feet.....	5,445	7	by 4 feet.....	1,555
4	by 3 feet.....	3,630	7	by 5 feet.....	1,244
4	by 4 feet.....	2,722	7	by 6 feet.....	1,037
5	by 1 foot.....	8,712	7	by 7 feet.....	888
5	by 2 feet.....	4,356	8	by 3 feet.....	1,815
5	by 3 feet.....	2,904	8	by 4 feet.....	1,361
5	by 4 feet.....	2,178	8	by 5 feet.....	1,089
5	by 5 feet.....	1,742	8	by 6 feet.....	905
6	by 1 foot.....	7,260	8	by 7 feet.....	777
6	by 2 feet.....	3,630	8	by 8 feet.....	680

DISTANCE APART.

We set strawberry plants 16 to 18 inches apart in row and rows 4 feet apart. This takes about 7,000 per acre. For fruiting row we would recommend about 6,000 per acre. We set raspberry plants 4 by 6 feet. If wanted to cultivate both ways they can be set 5 by 5 feet. Blackberry plants can be set 4 by 6 feet, or 4 by 7 feet, or if you want to cultivate both ways, set 6 by 6 feet.

In figuring express rates remember that from three to four thousand strawberry plants weigh 100 pounds (boxed and packed).

Soil for Strawberries.—Almost any soil that will grow good field crops will grow good strawberries—good, rich, well drained sandy loam preferred.

Newly cleared land is good for strawberries. We make a practice of clearing up several acres of new land and setting to strawberries every year, and while the labor of attending is more than on old, run-out land the plants produced are the best and most healthy grown.

Drainage.—See that your land is well drained. Tiling of sufficient size to carry off all surplus water is best and saves ground for you.

FERTILIZING.

The best fertilizer we ever found for fruit is stable manure. A crop of clover or other green crop plowed under is good, too. Fruit plants, like any other crop, need rich ground, and respond quickly to good care and fertilization.

If you have a good market, you can make more clear money raising fruit than by any other branch of farming. Let us start you in, in a small way, and prove the above statement.

PREPARING GROUND.

Ground for setting fruit plants should be plowed deep and harrowed till all lumps are smashed and it is loose and level. Then roll or float just before setting. We use common plank float which you can make at very little expense. We use a hand marker (home made) that marks three rows at once.

Setting Plants.—Make holes with a spade by putting in ground five or six inches and pull toward you, then take out. Hold plant in hole with hand and close hole with foot and press firmly (with feet) on both sides.

This is general way of planting strawberry plants and we recommend this method for raspberry and blackberry plants as well. Some plow a furrow and set cane plants in them, but unless soil is very moist there is danger of plants drying out.

CARING FOR PLANTS UPON ARRIVAL.

If the ground is not in condition when they arrive—too wet or not prepared—a very easy method can be used to keep them, which will be a great benefit to the plants as follows: Take each variety, a bunch at a time, cut string, and spread roots very thinly along the side of a shallow furrow, then cover roots with dirt not higher than the crown of the plants. Give partial shade and if

ground is dry water roots only. In a few days they will have taken hold, or rather sent out little white fibrous roots, and will be in better condition for transplanting than at first. This method is sometimes recommended for strawberries even when the ground is in condition, or could be ready to plant when they arrive.

So do not put off ordering till late, as after plants have started to grow there is more danger in shipping them.

CULTIVATION.

We recommend shallow cultivation as soon as plants are set or at least within a day or two. This levels the ground and holds the moisture in the ground where it will do the most good, not allowing the moisture to get away by evaporation through the pores in the ground.

Do not cultivate too close to the plants as you will disturb the roots.

Shallow cultivation should be kept up through the growing season.

Blossoms should be pinched off from all plants first season. This throws the strength into the roots and develops a strong healthy plant, that will give you a big crop of nice berries the following season. If you do not want a wide matted row, (and we would not recommend matted rows for best fruit) you should cut off all runners that start up till about July 1st. There will then be plenty coming on later and your parent plant will be strong and vigorous.

READ CAREFULLY.

When writing, please sign your name plainly. Be sure to give your postoffice, county and state. Every year we receive letters with postoffice and state left off—Many times no signature. Use order sheet and return envelope, fill out carefully and much delay and trouble will be avoided.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

We carry a few advertisements of articles that will interest you. All these people we believe to be **absolutely honest and reliable** and we **recommend their goods to our customers** with the assurance that, should you patronize these people, you will get **good goods and careful treatment**. We have dealt with most of these parties for years. **Colby-Hinkley Co.** are well known and reliable **fruit package manufacturers**. As this catalogue will go to over two thousand fruit growers in Berrien county we want to call your attention to the ad. of the **Commercial National Bank**. The officials and employees are gentlemen with whom it is a pleasure to deal. Try them. They will use you right.

The seeders advertised by The Cyclone Seeder Co., of Urbana, Ind., are used on our farm. We have used them for three years for sowing nearly all kinds of grain and they are perfect machines. As most fruit farmers sow but little grain and grass seed we believe you will want a good hand seeder. Send to **Cyclone Seeder Co., Urbana, Ind.**, for their catalogue, now.

Are you thinking of buying a buggy or harness this spring? We recommend the goods of the **Elkhart Carriage and Harness Co.**, Elkhart, Ind. See their ad. in this catalogue. We use their buggies and harness on our farms and they have given entire satisfaction for years. They guarantee their goods and have built up an immense trade by honest dealing. Get their 1908 catalogue.

PLEASE NOTE OUR PREMIUM OFFERS.

For an order of \$10.00 or more at catalogue prices received early (before March 1st), customers will be allowed to select stock to the amount of \$1.00 free, if this offer is mentioned; that is, you may select stock to the amount of \$11.00 and send us \$10.00 as full payment for same.

For an order of \$5.00 or more at catalogue prices (received before March 1st) customers will be allowed to select stock to the amount of 50c free if mentioned. Or if you wish, for an order of \$5.00 or more we will give the **Biggle Berry Book**, by Judge Biggle, or any of the other Biggle books, viz.: **"Biggle Horse Book," "Biggle Poultry Book," "Biggle Cow Book," "Biggle Swine Book," "Biggle Health Book," "Biggle Pet Book,"** and **"Biggle Sheep Book."** The books are models of the printer's art, beautifully illustrated, cloth bound, hotted down, common sense cream, not skim milk. Beautiful color illustrations in the berry, cow and poultry books.

These **"Biggle Books"** are the most valuable books for their size that we have ever read. They answer every question that one could ask in their line and tell it so plainly that all can understand it, but at the same time very briefly. We sell them at 50c each, postpaid, to any address.

For an order of \$3.00 or over at catalogue prices (received before March 1) customers will be allowed to select stock to the amount of 25c free if mentioned and selected with your order. Or, if you prefer, we will give 6 months' subscription to the National Fruit Grower with every order amounting to \$1.00 at catalogue prices, received before March 1st.

A one year subscription to National Fruit Grower with every order amounting to \$2.00 at catalogue prices, received before March 1st.

Three years subscription to National Fruit Grower with every order amounting to \$6.00 at catalogue prices, received before March 1st.

If your order amounts to \$15.00 or more, you had better write for special prices. We can sometimes give a cash discount on a quantity of plants, which will save you some money.

The above premium offers are open to all alike. Stock will be strictly first class true to name, etc., but we offer these inducements for **early orders** before our office rush begins.

THE STRAWBERRY.

The Strawberry is our specialty. We have a fine stock of all the standard and best new varieties, which we have listed **very low** and shall sell at prices quoted as long as the stock lasts. Almost all the newer varieties we obtained from the originators and introducers in the first place at a heavy expense, consequently our stock is pure. Many ask how we can sell such choice stock so low. Being situated in a section especially adapted to growing the finest plants and not being hampered with any thing in the tree line, growing many of the standards by the hundred thousand on new, rich land that produces a heavy stock of extra fine plants, having our own moss for packing and being satisfied with a **small profit**, we can furnish choice stock very low. Growing plants in such large quantities we can, of course, make a discount on large bills. Thus nurseries in all sections of the country buy of us to sell again—many times selling through agents as high by the hundred as we charge by the thousand. Our low prices hold good while stock lasts. We have some varieties not listed here; if you want something not on this list, write us.

Varieties marked (P) are "Pistillate," and should have about every other row set to some staminate variety for fertilizer. Those marked (S) are "Staminate," and good fertilizers. Set early staminates with early pistillates and late with late, etc. All plants are trimmed and tied in bunches of 25.

Many new beginners ask what varieties are most profitable to grow for market, etc. Of course much depends on location and circumstances. The general favorites are the following:

Bubach, Warfield, Senator Dunlap, Haverland, Beder Wood, Glenn Mary, Aroma, Sample, August Luther and Pocomoke. These varieties range from **very early** to **very late**.

We recommend **August Luther** for **early**; **Baldwin's Pride of Michigan, Senator Dunlap, Pocomoke** and **Haverland** for **main crop**. **Aroma, Brandywine, Sample** and **Steven's Late Champion** for **late**. There has always been too many worthless varieties offered to the plant buying public. You will notice that we have thinned out our list from seventy (70) varieties to less than thirty (30) varieties, and still we know we have too many kinds for any grower to have for most profitable results. We, of course, are obliged to handle many varieties which are profitable and bought largely in some localities, and almost worthless in other places. We list but a few of the newer introductions and we know what we are recommending when we advise you to buy our **Pride of Michigan** strawberry.

We expect to be sold out of this grand new variety by **April 1st**, as our stock is limited, owing to one patch being entirely killed by water last May.

We recommend **Pride of Michigan** above all others. This is sure to be the leading market and home use strawberry in this country. Our neighbors here are planting it extensively for Chicago market.

Steven's Late Champion is a good late staminate that we are quoting for the first time this year. We recommend them for a No. 1 late berry. Will fertilize **Sample** nicely.

Commonwealth is another extra good late staminate. Berry is extra large and showy. Try it with late sorts.

Nettie is also a late variety. Extra large and attractive and a most profitable berry. They are a pistillate variety.

Senator Dunlap is rapidly coming to the front as a **Money Maker** and we think it is now one of our most profitable market berries.

Pocomoke is extra profitable. This is a grand variety and we earnestly recommend it to our customers and friends as an extra good money maker. (We cleared \$150 from 10 rows of **Pocomoke** 20 rods long this summer. All were shipped to Chicago market and all were stamped "extra fancy.") Buy **Pocomoke**.

THE RASPBERRY.

We have all the leading **black** and **red raspberry** plants; also purple caps. We recommend Cumberland as being by far the most profitable black cap variety. See description and illustration in this catalogue.

Cuthbert and Miller are the standard varieties of red raspberry. Eaton is rapidly coming to the front as a great money maker. It is a wonderful producer of fine large fruit. See description and illustration in raspberry department.

THE BLACKBERRY.

We are listing eight or nine of the most profitable varieties.

Eldorado still leads as a **money maker** all over the country. Last season our sale of Eldorado plants was greater than our sale of all other varieties of blackberry plants combined. We again returned orders for thousands of Eldorado after our stock was sold. Our stock is limited again this year. **Genuine Eldorado** plants are scarce and we advise ordering them soon. See description.

We are listing **Mersereau** for the first time. This variety is yet quite new and not known in many parts of the country. **Mersereau** is what blackberry growers have been looking for for years past. They are hardy as **Snyder**, fruit is as large and firm as **Wilson** (selling for **Wilson** on the market) and produce big crops. Growth of cane is wonderful. Get this profitable variety started at once. We guarantee the **Mersereau** to please you. See description in blackberry department and on outside of back cover.

FUMIGATION.

All cane plants shipped, if requested, are fumigated with **Hydro Cyanic Acid Gas** of strength required by law. This process kills all insects, etc., that is raising such havoc with cane fruit, trees, etc.

No. 752.

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION.

This is to certify that I have examined the Nursery Stock of **O. A. D. BALDWIN, Bridgman, Michigan**, and find them apparently free from dangerous insects and dangerously contagious tree and plant diseases.

This certificate to be void after July 31, 1908.

L. E. TAFT,

State Inspector of Nurseries and Orchards.

Agricultural College, Michigan, October 7, 1907.

Varieties of Strawberries

FOR PRICE LIST SEE INSIDE OF BACK COVER.

Baldwin's Pride of Michigan

"Our New Strawberry."

We call this variety **Baldwin's Pride of Michigan** as there was a **Pride of Michigan** introduced by the Kellogg Company about the same time, that we knew nothing about when we named our berry.

We place this variety first on our list because this is where it should be. It's the best thing we have. **Baldwin's Pride of Michigan** is, without doubt, the best and most profitable variety of strawberry ever introduced in the United States.

This grand variety was introduced by us two years ago. This summer we again found our **Pride of Michigan** to be our most profitable strawberry. It cannot be beaten, at least, is not beaten by any variety we have seen, and we have fruited over one hundred kinds.

We firmly believe that when fruit growers throughout the country try this berry they will want a quantity of them. It is certainly a beauty from every standpoint.

Plant is perfect and berry is perfect. Here are the qualities that make it a most valuable variety:

PRODUCTIVENESS—Will out yield any other strawberry.

COLOR—Dark glossy red (all through).

SEASON OF RIPENING—Second early (ripens with Senator Dunlap.)

SIZE—About like Haverland and Glen Mary.

SHIPPING QUALITY—The best. Very tough skin, and a firm berry.

SHAPE—Rather oblong. Resembles Haverland, never misshapen. (See picture.)

BLOSSOM—Perfect. (A strong fertilizer.)

PLANT—Very vigorous and healthy. (A good plant maker.)

FRUIT STEMS—Are strong, stand up well and there are plenty of them.

What more could one ask for in the way of qualifications of a perfect strawberry?

Last year many of you were disappointed in not being able to get our **Pride of Michigan**. We were sold out early and could have sold nearly two hundred thousand more if we had had the plants.

We have at this writing (November 15) several orders on our books for this variety and suggest that you place your order soon.

We confidently recommend this new variety to our customers and friends. It is a money maker. We even urge all to buy **Pride of Michigan**. There will be money in it for you. Price, \$1.00 per hundred; \$8.00 per thousand.

OUR CUSTOMER FOR YEARS PAST.

Coulterville, Ill., Jan. 25, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Please add to my order (sent in about Jan. 18th) as follows: _____
Enclosed find \$4.82 in payment.

Thanks for your liberality on last order. If anything is due me on this order make it up in plants. Thanking you for your fair dealings for the many years past that I have got my plants of you,

I am, respectfully yours,

S. L. McDILL.

Extra Early Varieties

AUGUST LUTHER—(S)—We believe this to be the best early strawberry we catalogue. Last year we fruited about one-half acre of this early berry and were greatly pleased with the results. It is very prolific, comes early and continues to bear till practically every berry reaches a good size. Fruit is very uniform in size and shape. No very large or small ones. Plants are healthy and make good row. The fruit is of good size, roundish, dark red, firm and very easily picked. It succeeds best on rather light soil. The fact is, we have found by experience that the early varieties do best on light soil. We would advise all our customers and friends to set August Luther for early berries. \$2.75 per thousand.

AUGUST LUTHER

BEDER WOOD

MICHEL'S EARLY—(S)—One of the earliest varieties grown. The plant is a very robust grower, strong and healthy, although plant is rather small; one of the best of the early fertilizers, as it blossoms early and late. Fruit is of medium size and good quality. Some growers that grow very early berries make much money on this variety alone. It is extra good for light sandy soil. Price \$1.75 per thousand.

Medium Early Varieties

BALDWIN'S PRIDE OF MICHIGAN—(S)—"The best strawberry grown." Fully and honestly described and illustrated on full page at beginning of these descriptions. Price, \$8.00 per thousand.

BEDER WOOD.—(S)—This variety was originated by Beder Wood, of Illinois. We have fruited it for many years and found it to be a very heavy bearer, of good sized roundish fruit (about as firm as Bubach), season early, a good staminate to fertilize early varieties like Crescent, Warfield, etc. M. Crawford says in his strawberry report: "This berry, all things considered, is the best berry that has ever been fruited with me. The plant is a good, healthy grower and sends out a number of large runners. Beder Wood is very deep rooted and will stand a drouth better than most varieties. Will consequently do extra well on a very dry or light piece of ground. We have cleared more money out of Beder Wood planted with Warfield than from any other variety." The call is heavy for this variety, but we have a large stock of them and have put the price down to \$2.00 per thousand.

A LONG SHIPMENT, BUT THEY ARRIVED O. K.

Dear Sir:

Plants came through in fine shape. others. Enclosed find draft for \$4.00.

Spearfish, S. Dak., April 24, 1907.

Send me 2,000 more as good plants as yours truly, A. T. ADAMS.

CRESCENT.—(Improved.)—(P)—The standard of productiveness all over the country; succeeds everywhere; stands neglect best of any, plant small, berries fair size, bright and attractive, not very firm. Many growers consider this the most profitable berry for market. A few years ago a new berry was introduced into this section, which proved to be an improved Crescent. We sell a great amount of this variety every year. We have a full stock of extra fine plants and quote them at \$2.00 per thousand.

LOVETT.—(S)—This berry has had a thorough test and we think there are other varieties that are better. It is a rank grower, hardy, and produces a quantity of fruit that does well for market but is too sour for home use, at least for eating fresh. We do not sell as many Lovett as we used to. It has a perfect blossom and bears heavily. The fruit is firm, medium to large size, conical, and of good quality. Season medium. Price \$2.00 per thousand.

HAVERLAND.—(P)—Exceedingly productive; fruit large and very fine; one of the most popular and well tested varieties; withstands the drouth better than most kinds; color light, season early. Considered throughout the United States as a money maker in most any climate. Demand has always been much larger than the supply. You will not miss it in buying some Haverland. They are a good sure berry. Bought largely for main crop all over the country. They make a good sized fruiting row and mature an immense amount of fruit which is very easy to pick, being plainly in sight. We cannot say too much in their favor. Try them and you will agree with us. Price \$3.00 per thousand.

HAVERLAND.

WARFIELD.

WARFIELD.—(P)—This is the grand berry for main crop, both for home use and market. We recommend Warfield fertilized with Senator Dunlap for most profitable strawberry crop you can grow if you have a good market for medium early berries. Warfield is and has been the leader for years. Fruit is regular shape, dark red and a splendid shipper. We sell more plants of

this than of any other variety, excepting Senator Dunlap. Resembles Wilson, but is a heavier bearer and better plant maker, and better shipper. Plants are small, more like Crescent; requires a strong staminate about every other row for best results. We recommend Warfield to all for profit. Price \$2.00 per thousand.

SAYS OUR POTATOES PROVE TO BE TRUE TO NAME.

Dear Sir:

Springfield, R. F. D. 4, March 13, 1907.

Enclosed find order for two barrels of Sir Walter Raleigh potatoes and money for same. I like to get seed potatoes from you for they are just what you say they are.

Very truly yours,

WM. I. CRIST.

SENATOR DUNLAP.—(S)—This berry is of the Warfield type, has a perfect blossom, is hardy, productive, a splendid keeper and able to hold its own under any "rough and tumble" methods of culture to which it is likely to be subjected. Senator Dunlap is a very heavy bearer of good size even fruit of a very beautiful dark red color. It is a berry to grow for either home use or market. My opinion is that the fortunate ones will be those that get a start at the earliest opportunity. Mr. Crawford says: "The Senator Dunlap is now the greatest all around variety ever introduced." We would advise all to plant Senator Dunlap. I believe it will be our most profitable mid-season strawberry. We fruited one acre of this variety last season, and it was the most profitable acre we had to pick. This variety in our opinion will stay with us as one of the standards. The sale of Senator Dunlap is wonderful considering the time they have been before the people. We quote this variety very low and all should try them for main crop. We expect Senator Dunlap to outsell all other varieties for setting in spring of 1908. Price reduced to \$2.25 per thousand.

SENATOR DUNLAP.

CLYDE.—(S)—This berry has Crescent blood in it and no doubt gets its immense productiveness from that variety. Nearly as large as the Bubach, nearly or quite a week earlier and very much firmer. It is a strong staminate and therefore is suitable for pollenizing medium and medium early pistillate varieties. The plant is very vigorous and healthy, there being no trace of disease about it. The foliage is light green in color and somewhat resembles the Haverland, but is a more upright and sturdy grower. Season of ripening, second early. Its strong plants with an abundance of long roots enable it to withstand drouth better than most sorts. It is a very profitable market berry owing to great amount of good sized berries it produces. Fruit is light colored and not very good quality, so is not extra value as a market variety. There are better varieties than Clyde, but the enormous yielding qualities of this variety make it profitable. Price \$3.50 per thousand.

SPLENDID.—(S)—We have fruited it several years and can offer it to our customers with great confidence. Plant is a healthy, luxuriant grower, sends out many runners and bears abundantly. The fruit is large and far above the average in quality and appearance. Desirable for either market or home use. This variety has been tested by many berry experts all over the country and has proved itself worthy of its name. Price, \$2.75 per thousand.

Medium Late Varieties

BUBACH.—(F)—This has been a very popular berry for years. We have always considered Bubach a profitable variety. The plant is very large and fine looking but a slow plant maker, the berry large and showy. If you have a nearby fancy market it will pay you to get a large fine looking berry. Bubach will fill the bill. Price, \$3.50 per thousand.

UNCLE JIM.—(S)—(Sometimes called Dornan.)—Plants are large and free from rust. Berry is large, regular form and season is medium late. Uncle Jim is a comparatively new introduction, but it is one of our most profitable berries. We recommend Uncle Jim for profit. Goes nicely with Bubach. We have grown a good stock of extra heavy plants of this variety. Price \$3.50 per thousand.

UNCLE JIM.

GLEN MARY

GLEN MARY.—(S)—Large and choice, very handsome, and of fine flavor; vigorous and productive. It is as large as the Sharpless and of superior quality. In productiveness it far surpasses the Crescent, not in number of berries, but quarts of berries. Many growers here consider this the most profitable of strawberries. Glen Mary is not only an extra good berry for fancy market, but a real money maker for any market. We believe one can pick as many quarts of good berries from Glen Mary as from any other variety and they will sell quickly at a good figure. We recommend this variety to our customers with perfect confidence that it will please them. \$3.50 per thousand.

NICK OHMER.—(S)—Plant growth is healthy and vigorous. We are not inclined to boast about the fruit this year. They seemed to be shy of berries this season more than heretofore. They are a fair late berry but there are many better ones. May do well in some localities and probably do as we have a good call for this variety. Price, \$3.50 per thousand.

PLEASED WITH OUR POTATOES.

Dear Sir:

The canes and potatoes reached here this morning. They are in good shape and I am pleased with them.

Dwight, Ill., April 15, 1907.

Yours truly,

STRUFE BROS.

POCOMOKE.—(S)—This variety was found growing where there had been some Wilson and Sharpless strawberries dumped and is supposed to be a seedling of the old Wilson crossed by the Sharpless. The berry is round, conical and resembles the old Wilson, but is much larger. One of the best varieties in existence, not only for its enormous productiveness, but on account of its beauty, adaptability to all soils, its foliage enduring the dry, hot weather (which quality is rare with some varieties), its large size, its deep red color, its firmness, its

POCOMOKE.

high flavor. The plant is a strong, robust grower, with deep roots and lots of them, perfect blossoms and is an enormous yielder of large red berries. It ripens evenly, and is one of the best shippers yet introduced. This variety is a good one and should be grown as one of our leading market berries. Two years ago we fruited the Pocomoke for the first good test and found it even much better than we had hoped to find it. They will soon be one of our leading market berries. Try a few thousand Pocomoke. We know you will never be sorry. They are fine. Price, \$3.50 per thousand.

We guarantee entire satisfaction with Pocomoke. They are one of the very best and most profitable of strawberries. (We cleared \$150 this year from 10 rows of Pocomoke 20 rods long. We shipped all to Chicago market and stamped every crate "Extra Fancy.")

WM. BELT.—(S)—The plant is one of the largest, a very luxuriant grower. We were disappointed in the fruit of Wm. Belt this year. It did not do well for us, but possibly wet weather affected it more than others. Plants of this variety are subject to rust. We do not highly recommend Wm. Belt and if fruit is not better next season we will throw the variety away. Price \$3.25 per thousand.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find order for three barrels potatoes with express money order for \$7.25. Your Carmen No. 3 and Sir Walter Raleigh did finely here last year. They out-yielded anything around here.

Burtonview, Feb. 15, 1907.

Yours truly,

WM. REHWALDT.

Very Late Varieties

GANDY.—(S)—This is one of the leading late varieties with fruit growers all over the country. The plant is a strong grower, fruit is large and firm, but does not yield as heavy as some; requires strong soil and fertilizers to do its best. It always brings top prices; it is very late and a big showy berry. Gandy is always quoted at the highest price in every market. It is the finest looking fruit and sells quickly and at top prices. Price, \$3.00 per thousand.

GANDY.

AROMA.

AROMA.—(S)—This is our best and most profitable late strawberry (with the possible exception of Sample.) We will guarantee the fruit of Aroma to please all who give it a fair trial. It cannot well be beaten for quantity of fruit produced, or in quality of fruit. Plants show no weakness of any kind. Fruit very large, roundish, conical, rarely misshapen, glossy red, of excellent quality and produced in abundance. It produces twice as much as Gandy. We have grown a large stock of this valuable late variety. \$3.50 per thousand.

STEVENS' LATE CHAMPION.—(S)—This is a good all around late strawberry. Plant growth extra good. The fruit is large, showy and of fine flavor. Ripens with Gandy and Aroma. A good fertilizer for Sample, etc. Price, \$3.00 per thousand.

SAMPLE.—(P)—Season very late. "The Sample strawberry is admired by every one who has seen it. No one who has seen it has been able to criticise it. We have now watched it with the greatest interest for four years and are not able to say that it has a single weak point. Large size and fine quality, quite firm; continues a long time in fruit; the berries are large to the last. It will yield as many berries as the Haverland and will average as large as the Bubach. Colors all over at once. A berry that will do that is the best one found yet. There is no weak spot in it. Foliage perfect, fruit perfect. Needs no petting."

I think Sample is the best late strawberry we have (with the possible exception of Aroma). Get a few thousand Sample and fertilize them with

Aroma and we guarantee that you will have no kick coming. Our stock of Sample is large, but we will sell all of them at \$3.50 per thousand.

SAMPLE.

COMMONWEALTH.—(S)—Originated by Wm. H. Monroe, of Massachusetts, who says of it:

"Commonwealth is the outcome of a desire and an effort to produce a berry which would perceptibly lengthen the strawberry season. In the Commonwealth we have a berry that is as large as the largest, as productive as any of the largest, as fine flavored, as solid, and as dark colored as any. It is smooth (similar to the Jucunda in shape), and very juicy. It has a strong staminate blossom. The plant is a good strong grower, not so rank as the Marshall, hardy, shows no sign of rust, a fair plant maker, setting its plant's a medium distance from the parent."

J. J. H. Gregory, the well-known seedsman, says: "I saw the Commonwealth on the grounds of the originator, Mr. Wm. H. Monroe, and a grand sight it was. The berry is tremendously large (fourteen of those I picked filled a quart box). The berries are symmetrical in shape, and have a rich, glossy color. The flesh is dark red, nearly as dark as the Marshall. It is a great cropper, and appears to be hard fleshed enough to ship well. One of its most valuable characteristics is its lateness in maturing, for when I was there July 2d, the large bed which had bushels of growing fruit had to be searched over very carefully to find a quart of ripe berries."

Price is low on account of large stock. \$3.00 per thousand.

NETTIE.—(P)—A very late berry of good size and wonderful productiveness. Color is a little too light. Otherwise it is an extra good berry and profitable on account of its lateness in ripening. We recommend Nettle for late. Requires fertilizing with a late staminate variety. Price reduced to \$3.50 per thousand.

BRANDYWINE.—(S)—This fine late strawberry was introduced by M. Crawford. We bought a good stock of the plants of the introducer and now have a large stock of fine plants. Brandywine is late, good shape, good quality, good size, firm and productive. If you are looking for a No. 1 canning berry or for table use we would recommend Brandywine. It is extra dark in color, fine

flavor, and is an extra good home use and canning berry, besides being a good shipper and profitable market variety. Try them. We have a good stock of extra fine plants at \$3.00 per thousand.

BRANDYWINE.

LOOK THIS ONE OVER CAREFULLY.

Marine, May 4, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check, \$7.05, for 3500 more strawberry plants at same rate of discount you gave me on the 8,000 lot.

With the exception of Beder Wood, I never saw such a nice lot of plants. (The Beder Woods are very small but I guess will come out all right). I am indeed very glad to learn where I can get such stock—good quality and true to name.

In case you are out of Haverland you may send me all Dunlaps only send me enough more to make up the difference in price. I feel sure you will treat me square.

It goes against the grain to have to pay in advance—I have credit in all the large cities—(I don't have to treat all customers alike.) My good pay customers get one kind of treatment and the other class get a different course.

Yours truly,

L. A. RICHARDSON, State Game Warden.

WHEN PLEASED A CUSTOMER RETURNS.

Alexis, Ill., March 26, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find order for plants. I got plants of you several years ago and they gave splendid satisfaction.

Respectfully,

ALICE SMALL LAFFERTY.

Black Raspberries

25 at 100, and 250 at 1,000 rates.

INSTRUCTIONS—Raspberries will grow and do well on any ground that will grow good field crops. Ground must be comparatively dry or well drained. Generally speaking, the richer the ground the better the crop. We generally set black caps about three and one-half feet apart in row and rows seven feet apart, or if you wish to cultivate both ways plant five feet each way. Either method requires 1725 plants per acre.

CUMBERLAND.—The "Business Black Cap," Largest black raspberry known. This new raspberry was placed upon the market after having been thoroughly tried for a long period of years. It is now offered with the full assurance that it is the most profitable and desirable market variety yet known, because of its immense size, firmness and great productiveness, well entitling it to the above designation, "The Business Black Cap." Its qualities we take up in what we consider the order of their importance, mentioning first of all that of

CUMBERLAND.

Hardiness.—The Cumberland has undergone a temperature of 16 degrees below zero unprotected, without injury—a temperature which badly crippled similarly situated plants of Gregg, Shaffer, Cuthbert, etc. In this most important respect, therefore, this new berry will not be found wanting.

Productiveness.—The Cumberland is of wonderful productiveness, producing regularly and uniformly very large crops. Bears more fruit than any other variety.

Quality.—In quality it is similar and fully equal to the Gregg, which has always been considered the finest of the black caps in this respect.

Ripens before Gregg. We bought our stock of plants of the introducers. Last season Cumberland again proved itself much better than all other varieties of black raspberries. You will never regret getting Cumberland.

We would rather have an acre of Cumberland than two acres of any other variety of black raspberry. This is a broad assertion, but we honestly believe Cumberland is that much better than any other cap variety. This year we have a large stock of fine plants and are quoting them at \$1.00 per hundred; \$8.00 per thousand.

GREGG.—(Cap.)—Very large, wants good soil to produce best results, fruit very fine and covered with bloom. Gregg has been the leading market variety all over the country, best for evaporating of any variety as it is said to give more pounds to the bushel than any other kind. A good all round late blackcap. Gregg will not disappoint you. Very well and favorably known in every fruit district. 85 cents per hundred; \$7.00 per thousand.

CONRATH.—(Cap.)—This is a very profitable blackcap. Plant is very productive, fruit large, good flavor, firm, nearly coal black and parts readily from core. Although early it has a long season and holds its size well to the end. 85 cents per hundred; \$7.00 per thousand.

KANSAS.—(Cap.)
—This variety is now a general favorite with growers all over the country. Ripens just after Souhegan; jet black, firm, handsome and of the best quality; bush a strong grower, holds its foliage until frost; stands drouth and cold, very productive. We find it even better than we expected. It is about as large as Gregg, early and very productive. Strong, healthy canes, makes plenty of strong tips. Price 85 cents per hundred; \$6.50 per thousand.

EUREKA.—(Cap.)—A fine blackcap in every particular. We have grown Eureka berries one inch in diameter. Unexcelled for fancy fruit. **We guarantee Eureka to please you.** It is of extra size, extra quality and extra early. Eureka is a money maker. Try them. Price, 85c per hundred; \$7.00 per thousand.

PALMER.—(Cap.)—One of the earliest to ripen and matures its whole crop in a short time. The berries are jet black and of good quality. It is a luxuriant grower, healthy, hardy and **wonderfully productive.** Profitable on account of its extreme earliness. Berry small. Price 85 cents per hundred; \$6.50 per thousand.

COLUMBIAN.—(Purple Cap.)—The Columbian is a variety of the Shaffer type, of remarkable vigor and productiveness. It is very hardy and propagates from tips. Fruit very large, often an inch in diameter, shape somewhat conical; color dark red, bordering on purple; adheres firmly to the stem; seeds small and deeply embedded in a rich, juicy pulp with a distinct flavor of its own, making it a delicious table berry. We have an extra fine stock of this variety. We consider it much better than Shaffer on account of its hardness and vigor of cane, and will dry on the bush if not picked. \$1.75 per hundred; \$15.00 per thousand.

THE HAYMAKER.

THE HAYMAKER.—(Purple Cap.)—Not so dark as the Columbian or Shaffer, and much larger and firmer than either of those varieties, never crumbles and stands up well in shipping. Sample crates have been shipped to distant points with entire satisfaction. It is a berry to grow for either home use or market. The originator has found it the **most profitable berry** ever raised for market, and has never yet been able to supply the local demand. So much a favorite has the Haymaker become that local growers have said that it has ruined the sale of other varieties. Very popular as a canning berry.

Prof. W. J. Green, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Wooster, Ohio, writes: "The Haymaker is a purple cap variety of recent origin. Although resembling the Columbian, it is quite distinct from that variety in many particulars. It appears to be as much superior to the Columbian as the Columbian is to the Shaffer. The plants are extremely vigorous and uncommonly prolific; the berries very large, purple in color and quite firm. Judging from its behavior here, and on the grounds of its originator, it is an uncommonly promising variety, and will no doubt prove to be valuable for canning."

Crawford writes: "I have had every opportunity to become acquainted with the **Haymaker Raspberry**, having fruited it on my own place several years, in addition to careful examinations on the originator's place. Besides being a **vigorous grower, perfectly hardy, and free from any appearance of disease**, it is the **most productive variety I ever saw**. It is of good size and equal to any of the purple varieties in flavor. I expect it to be a great favorite with those who grow raspberries for profit."—M. Crawford.

It certainly has four points of superiority, viz: **Vigorous growth, hardness, productiveness and quality**. I believe Haymaker is a **good thing** to have and we expect the demand will be very heavy. Price is where they will go fast. \$1.75 per hundred; \$15.00 per thousand.

Red Raspberries

25 at 100, and 250 at 1,000 rates.

We generally plant red raspberries three feet apart in row, with rows six feet apart. Requiring 2425 plants per acre.

EATON.

THE EATON.—A new red raspberry that it entirely distinct from all other varieties. In character of growth, in size, color, firmness, quality, and yield of fruit, in length of season, and in all strong points of merit, it stands unequaled and alone. A variety that is at once healthy in root and foliage, and hardy, coming through our most severe winters in prime condition. A strong, not tall and slender, but a sturdy grower. Throwing out many laterals and fruiting to the tips, and from every lateral—a sight to see. An immense cropper, by far out-yielding any red raspberry we have ever seen, while the fruit is extraordinarily large and handsome, firm, and of the finest quality."

"The Eaton is not an untried novelty for spectacular introduction merely, but has a record, as will be plainly seen by what will follow. More than this, we know it too. We are proud to be introducers of so distinct and valuable a berry. We have proved it well before we offered it, and we like it better every year. At first we tried to pick them before fully ripe, when bright red. They were so large and fine, but they pulled off hard and crumbled more or less. After that we picked only those that were a deeper red, still more beautiful and fully ripe, and they came off easily and whole and firm. When ripe to pick they hang on well and do not drop with every touch, but can be picked more rapidly and at less expense than any sort we know, chiefly because they are so large and so many of them. To use a home-like term, we are going in for this new berry for fruit to ship, for the firmest, biggest, handsomest, best quality red raspberry on the city market."

The preceding description is taken from the introducer's catalogue.

Price, \$1.50 per dozen; \$7.50 per hundred; \$50.00 per thousand.

MILLER is early, very hardy and does not winter-kill. This fine early red raspberry is, for an early berry, what the Cuthbert is for a late one. **The very best there is.** Shipping qualities are perfect. Makes a healthy growth of canes. If you want the best early red raspberry, get Miller. You won't be sorry. Probably the strongest point in favor of the Miller is its splendid keeping qualities. They will hang on the bushes several days without becoming soft. This quality makes them very profitable to the grower. We strongly recommend Miller to all. Price, 65c per hundred, \$4.50 per thousand.

CUTHBERT.

CUTHBERT.—Leading late market variety all over the country; strong grower, very productive, fruit firm, large size, and of best quality; season medium to late. If you want an all around late red raspberry, plant Cuthbert. I believe we **make more clear money** from two acres of Cuthbert every year than from any two acres we have. Considering the fact that we cultivate about **one hundred acres**, that is saying a great deal for Cuthbert. They are **money makers** for us, they would be for you. Price only 75 cents per hundred; \$5.00 per thousand.

KING.—This is a new red raspberry. Unites large size, beautiful color, firmness and high quality of fruit with productiveness. Vigorous growth and hardness of cane. Its

season is the earliest, its fruit of the brightest crimson; there are none brighter or more beautiful, and of the very best quality.

In productiveness, vigor of cane, hardness and endurance in heat and drouth, it is second only to the purple cane variety (Cardinal and Columbian). I believe it worthy of all that can be said in its favor. Price \$1.50 per hundred; \$13.00 per thousand.

THOMPSON'S EARLY PROLIFIC.—This variety is extra profitable. We do not understand why Thompson's Early plants do not sell more readily. The fruit is extra good quality and comes very early bringing top prices. Thompson's Early are being set very extensively in this locality for Chicago market. We recommend this variety to all who can get a good price for early red raspberries. Look at our prices. 60c per hundred, \$4.00 per thousand.

LOUDON.—This raspberry ripens moderately early and holds out very late; it is highly productive, claiming to excel all other red raspberries in this respect. Firm as any other raspberry, a good shipper; large, of superior quality, and an attractive crimson color. The bush is thornless and hardy. We list it very low this year, viz.: \$1.00 per hundred; \$8.00 per thousand.

BRANDYWINE.—A grand well tested variety. We recommend to all as a very profitable red raspberry. 75c per hundred; \$5.00 per thousand.

BLACKBERRY PLANTS PROVED TRUE.

Mayville, March 20, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find money order for \$12.00 for blackberry plants. We bought a number of blackberry plants of you some years ago and they were all O. K.

Yours respectfully,

BENJAMIN BROS.

Blackberries

25 at 100, and 250 at 1,000 rates.

Should be planted about four feet apart in row with rows six or seven feet apart, requiring about 1800 plants per acre. Top the new canes when about two feet high.

ELDORADO.—We place this variety ahead of all others without a moment's hesitation. It is the **greatest blackberry** in general cultivation today. (Mersereau is probably as good but it will take some time to get them started in all sections.) Eldorado is as hardy as the Snyder, twice as large and of much better quality. When you get one like that you have a berry that cannot well be

ELDORADO.

beaten. Eldorado has never been known to winter kill, even in northern Michigan and Wisconsin. For home and market use we recommend Eldorado above all others. We consider it the **best blackberry we ever fruited** in every way, and we have grown them all. Our Eldorado field is a sight to see in blossoming and fruiting time. The fruit is **good size**, firm and of the **very highest quality**. Very profitable, as it needs no protection in winter. We bought our first stock of the originator, consequently our stock is genuine. Our plants this year are the **finest we ever raised**, and our stock is the largest, but we expect to be sold out of this variety by March 1st. **Try them. Order now!** Price this year, \$1.75 per hundred; \$15.00 per thousand.

WILSON'S EARLY.—One of the largest and most productive of the early sorts, produces fruit in large clusters, sweet as soon as black, holds its color well after picking, needs protection at the north. It is the best shipper there is. Very profitable. In spite of the fact that Wilson requires protection here in Michigan there are more than twice as many acres of them in bearing as any other variety of blackberry, as it pays better than any other variety. It always sells at a premium over other blackberries in Chicago and is daily quoted higher. The berry is large, jet black, and holds its color, never turning red. Order some Wilson plants. They are money makers. Price 75c per hundred; \$6.00 per thousand.

MINNEWASKI.—(New).—Large, productive and quite hardy; fruit round and of very good quality; bush a rank grower; desirable for market or home use. Our Minnewaski continues to be a great favorite with us. The longer we grow it the better we like it. \$1.25 per hundred; \$10.00 per thousand.

MERSEREAU.—This, we believe will be the most profitable blackberry now in cultivation when fully introduced to the fruit growing public.

Take notice of these qualities:

As hardy as Snyder.

As productive as Snyder.

As large a berry as Wilson.

As good shipping quality as Wilson.

An extra heavy, stocky cane.

MERSEREAU.

Mersereau is an early, mammoth, ironclad blackberry, by far the most valuable variety that has appeared since the advent of the Wilson, over 30 years ago. It originated in northwestern New York, where the mercury falls from 15 to 25 degrees below zero, and where it has stood in open field culture for many years without the slightest protection, never being injured in the least. It has never had a leaf affected with orange rust, blight or other disease, or produced a double or "rose" blossom. In quality, it is exceptionally sweet, rich, melting and luscious, being without core; the seedy character of Snyder and most other sorts is noticeably absent. As a shipper and keeper it is unsurpassed, remaining firm without "bleeding" in handling.

The canes are of exceedingly strong, upright habit, attaining upon fairly good soil a height of 8 feet, if permitted to grow unchecked, and are so stout as to always remain erect; foliage large, deep green, and abundant. The yield is simply enormous, producing double the quantity of fruit per acre of the Snyder, Kittatinny or Taylor's prolific, and affording heavy pickings from the first until the crop is all matured. Its season is early to mid-season, ripening with the Snyder.

Try Mersereau. They will please you, and make you big money. Get them started this year.

See further description on back of outside cover of this catalogue. Price, \$1.75 per hundred; \$15.00 per thousand.

EARLY KING.—An extra early blackberry, exceedingly hardy variety of great merit. Needs no winter protection, always producing large crops. Canes are of strong growth, as hardy as Snyder and very prolific. It is larger than Early Harvest, and its delicious sweetness renders it of special value for home use or market. It is also free of double bloom and other disease, will go through hard spring frosts at blossoming time without injury. Those who have tried this variety are well pleased. We recommend them highly for home use.

The Michigan Experiment Station reports them as follows:

"Early King. Large, vigorous and productive. They are worthy of extensive trial."

\$1.25 per hundred; \$10.00 per thousand. Extra fine plants.

ERIE.—Resembles Lawton in form and productiveness, but ripens earlier and is "iron-clad." Fruit shiny, jet black, delicious flavor. **Erie is one of the most profitable of blackberries.** It is a medium early blackberry of good sized, fine flavored fruit. They are nice looking berries and always bring good price on any market. **You will never regret buying Erie plants.** Price \$1.25 per hundred; \$10.00 per thousand.

KITTATINNY.—Good for main crop. Berries large, handsome, delicious flavor, canes strong, erect and very productive; season medium. Is liable to rust. It is a very heavy yielder of large, nice handsome fruit. Berry is not very desirable owing to its tendency to rust. If it did not rust it would be extra profitable as cane is hardy. 75c per hundred; \$6.00 per thousand.

EARLY HARVEST.—One of the earliest blackberries in cultivation; a compact dwarf grower, fruit rather small and of good quality, heavy bearer. Its extreme earliness makes it a profitable variety; not hardy. Has to be laid down. Blossoms stand the spring freeze best of all. 65 cents per hundred; \$5.00 per thousand.

SNYDER.—This variety is rapidly losing in favor on account of its size of fruit. Too small—many other varieties much better. We have a few thousand good root cutting plants if any one wants Snyder. They are liked in some places. Extremely hardy and an extra heavy bearer. \$1.25 per hundred; \$10.00 per thousand.

OUR GRAPE VINES LOADED SECOND YEAR.

Lyons, Wis., March 4, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my order for 1907. I received a bill of goods from you three years ago this spring. They were all O. K. The grape vines were loaded last fall.

Respectfully yours,

DICK SPIEGELHOFF.

Dewberries

25 at 100, and 250 at 1,000 rates.

Plant in rows six feet apart with plants three feet apart in the row. Keep the soil well cultivated, requiring 2425 plants per acre.

LUCRETIA.

LUCRETIA.—Claimed to be the best of the blackberry family. Berries are far larger and incomparably better than any blackberry; of unequalled excellence; soft, sweet and luscious throughout, of brightest glossy black color. The Lucretia Dewberry has received the endorsement and highest praise from the best horticulturalists in the country. Its eminent success in all soils is somewhat phenomenal in small fruit culture. Its trailing habit renders it less liable to winter kill. Propagates from the tips.

Dewberries are very profitable fruit to have as they come into bearing before blackberry plants and bring a good big price. Price \$1.00 per hundred; \$8.00 per thousand.

PREMO.—Much like Lucretia, but a week or ten days earlier. Main crop off before Lucretia commences. Comes early, ahead of blackberries and brings a good price. Our stock is limited. \$1.50 per hundred; \$12.50 per thousand.

PLEASED WITH RASPBERRY PLANTS.

Zion City, Ill., March 1st, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my 1907 order. I am very much pleased with the red and black raspberry plants you sent me last fall.

Very respectfully,

MRS. MARY E. FLOWER.

Currants

A cool moist location is best for this fruit, and for this reason it does well when planted by a fence, being benefited by the partial shade. Plant in rows four feet apart and the plants three feet apart in the rows. Keep the ground mellow and free from weeds.

LONDON MARKET is the best red currant we have fruited. A fine, new variety, a strong grower, large fruit and very productive. Holds its foliage late and is not liable to attack of worms and borers. We have fruited three acres of this variety four years, and each year they produced a wonderful crop of fine fruit. We advise all to buy London Market. It is the very best currant we ever saw.

RED CROSS.—Jacob Moore, the originator says: "Red Cross clusters are long and have well-necked berries double the size of Victorias, and far superior to Cherry or Victoria. Nothing will compare in quality with Red Cross but White Dutch, which is too small. Red Cross was first fruited in 1899. I have seen the fruit growing in such masses as to hide the upper branches from view. It is later than Cherry; the plant makes twice the growth of cherry, and yields two or three times as much fruit. I recommend it with confidence. I consider Red Cross one of the best of the new currants."

CHERRY.—A very popular red currant grown all over the country for home use and market. The berry and bunch are very large and there is always a good crop of fruit every year. They are most too well known to need much of a description here.

Note These Prices on Currant Plants.

	Doz.	1 yr. No. 1 100	1,000	Doz.	2 yr. No. 1 100	1,000
London Market	\$0.50	\$3.00	\$25.00	\$0.60	\$3.50	\$30.00
Red Cross	.60	3.50	30.00	.75	4.00	35.00
Cherry	.50	3.00	25.00	.60	3.50	30.00

Gooseberries

Plant three feet apart in row, with rows five feet apart.

DOWNING.—We have a fine stock of the most popular all around berry for both home use and market in the country today.

Downing is a yellowish green sort and of good size, being a strong growing bush and a very prolific bearer. Plants of all varieties of gooseberries are in light supply and in very good demand and the price is high.

Extra fine stocky plants, \$1.50 per doz.; \$8 per 100; \$70 per 1,000.

Grape Vines

Three at dozen; 25 at hundred; and 250 at thousand rates.

Plant grapevines for field culture eight by twelve feet, requiring about 435 plants per acre. Some set eight by sixteen feet.

Grow Grapes and Make Money.

The grape is a very satisfactory fruit to raise, as it can be put to so many different uses. It can be confined to a stake, bound to a trellis, trained over an arbor or to cover a large building, and under all conditions will yield its delicious fruit. No fruit will give better returns for close attention and kind care, and good returns can be had from soils that are unfit for any other crop. The side of a hill freely exposed to the sun and air is an ideal place for grape culture, whether the soil be sandy, clayey or loamy.

The increased and still increasing demand for grape juice in our hospitals, etc., etc., for a beverage has made the call for grape vines very heavy for the past two or three years. There is big money in growing grapes and many people are beginning to realize the fact. The market cannot be overstocked with this fruit.

They can quickly be made into juice for which there is a demand that always exceeds the supply and is something that will keep for years and years. Get a grape vineyard started this year, sure.

Grape vines will grow and do well on light sand or clay where it is hard to raise a crop of grain or other fruit.

MORE THAN SHE EXPECTED.

Wyanet, Ill., April 22, 1907.

Dear Sir:

My strawberry plants reached me in good condition. I want to thank you for your generosity in sending me so many more than I expected.

Respectfully,

JENNIE KIDD.

Black Grapes

CONCORD.—A large, purplish black grape, ripening about the middle of September; vines remarkably vigorous and free from disease; the standard for productiveness and hardiness all over the country. We advise all who contemplate setting grapes, to plant Concord for main crop. **They are the best market grape we ever raised.** Our stock is extra large and thrifty and will please you.

Our prices are very low on Concord.

CONCORD.

WORDEN.—In brief, an improved Concord; being larger in both bunch and berry, handsomer, nearly two weeks earlier and of better quality. Very choice and reliable. Worden will not yield like Concord and so are not planted so extensively for market. They are an **extra good grape for home use.** By far the best flavored black grape we have. Note our low prices on this valuable variety.

MOORE'S EARLY.—Bunch large, berry round (as large as the Wilder or Rogers' No. 4); color black, with a heavy blue bloom; quality better than the Concord. Moore's Early has been exposed to a temperature of more than 20 degrees below zero without injury, and it has been entirely exempt from mildew or disease. Its earliness makes it desirable for an early crop, and more particularly adapts it to New England and the northern portion of the United States.

We have a few thousand extra fine large vines.

It is very nice to have a few grapes ripe and ready to eat before your neighbor. Moore's Early will please you.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY.—A wonderful new grape of excellent quality and great productiveness.

"Campbell's Early vines are now being bought in large lots by careful, wide awake vineyardists who want a grape which will hang on the vines, will not crack and which will keep and can be marketed at advantageous times instead of having to be forced on the market on some special day to avoid cracking and shelling. As a good keeper and shipper it is believed to be unequalled by any other grape. Its early ripening is at same time as Moore's Early and at that time the quality of Campbell's Early is fully as good as Moore's Early. After that time the quality of Campbell's Early steadily improves for from two to six weeks, so its season is not only very early but is also medium and late."

In desert quality it is unrivaled by any of our present list of first early market grapes. It is, both as to cluster and berry, of large size, of a glossy black color, with a beautiful blue bloom, pulp sweet and juicy, free from foxiness, seeds, small, few in number and part readily from the pulp.

They have been subjected to a temperature of 18 degrees below zero and have never been frozen in the least. Our stock is limited and will no doubt be sold early at prices quoted below.

CLINTON.—Late. Desirable for wine or preserving. Bunch and berry small; very healthy and hardy. Fruit should hang on the vine until after first frost, to be thoroughly ripe. Clinton is a profitable market variety.

White Grapes

NIAGARA.—This is the leading white grape throughout the country. Fruit is large and of fine quality. If you want a white grape we know of no other that equals Niagara. Occupies the same position among the white varieties as Concord among the black; most profitable market sort. Bunch and berries large, greenish white, changing to pale yellow when fully ripe; skin thin but tough. Every one should have a few white grapes.

Red Grapes

CATAWBA.—Well known. Late; of best quality. Bunches large and loose; berries large, of a coppery red color, becoming purplish when well ripened.

As many of our customers have inquired for a red grape, we have bought a stock of Catawba and are able to quote them at prices given below. Our vines are fine, large, well rooted plants.

Prices of Grape Plants, 1908.

	Doz.	1 yr. No. 1.		Doz.	2 yr. No. 1.	
		100	1000		100	1000
Concord	\$0.60	\$2.50	\$22.50	\$0.75	\$3.50	\$32.50
Worden	.65	3.25	30.00	.75	4.00	35.00
Moore's Early	.65	3.25	30.00	.75	4.00	35.00
Campbell's Early	1.00	6.00	55.00	1.25	7.00	65.00
Clinton	.60	3.00	25.00	.65	3.50	30.00
Niagara	.60	3.25	30.00	.75	4.00	35.00
Catawba	.60	3.25	30.00	.75	4.00	35.00

HAS BOUGHT PLANTS OF US FOR PAST 15 YEARS.

Westchester, Washington Co., Feb. 25. 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find order for plants and \$11.87 in payment. I have sent to you for all my plants for the last 15 years with the best of results.

Respectfully,

E. B. GORHAM.

Seed Potatoes

We have grown quite a stock of several varieties of seed potatoes and will sell them at prices quoted below until stock is gone. **Remember these prices are below those quoted in most all catalogues. These potatoes are strictly No. 1 seed, guaranteed absolutely pure and unmixed.** We will begin to ship early in March or as soon as weather permits us to ship with safety. Northern grown seeds are as much more desirable to plant than southern grown, as northern grown plants are more than those grown in the south. **They are hardy and free from disease** and will yield a big crop.

CARMEN NO. 3.

We will ship potatoes in sacks. Everything will be labeled and securely packed and delivered at the cars, without extra charge for sacks, etc.

Prices quoted are for No. 1 seed F. O. B. cars. We have but a small stock of all varieties combined and consequently we will be sold out early. **Remember, your order for potatoes must be received soon if you want your choice of varieties.**

Peck, 15 lbs.; Bushel, 60 lbs.; Barrel, 165 lbs.

N. B.—If you prefer your potatoes shipped in boxes and barrels instead of sacks, add 10 cents per bushel or 25 cents per barrel to price herein quoted on each variety.

CARMEN NO. 3.—This we consider the best potato grown. We advise all to plant Carmen No. 3 for main crop either for home or market purposes. It makes great yields of fine, large, smooth tubers even under the most unfavorable circumstances and can be relied on to bring in money. It grows a very strong, upright top with dark colored stalks and purple blossoms and is little affected by drouth, blight or bugs. It is of the Rural family and keeps as well as Rural New Yorker and is fine for eating just as soon as dug in the fall. Very heavy yielder. Try Carmen No. 3 and make money. Price 40 cents per peck; \$1.25 per bushel; \$3.25 per barrel.

RURAL NEW YORKER.—Very well and favorably known all over the country. Planted largely for main crop on account of its keeping qualities. **A very late potato.** Characterized by a long rather spindling vine with dark colored stalks, dark green leaves and purple blossoms; tubers nearly round, flattened with very smooth, pure white skin, uniform in size, numerous in the hill, very attractive. Better to eat in winter and spring than when first dug. One of the most profitable of market potatoes. A general favorite throughout the country on account of **productiveness, uniform size, color and keeping qualities.** If you buy a few barrels of Rural New Yorker for main crop you will never be sorry. Price, 30 cents per peck; \$1.00 per bushel; \$2.75 per barrel.

WHITE EARLY OHIO.—A genuine Ohio with a white skin. Identical in every way with Early Ohio, except in color which is a fine white or nearly so. The great demand in every market now is for a white potato and even the good old Ohio, the standard for extra early, often has to suffer because of its skin. Here we have a **genuine Early Ohio** with a quick, compact growth of that well known variety, and withal a white skin. Furthermore it is a better yielder than the old Ohio.

White Early Ohio is, in our opinion, the best and most profitable early potato on the market today. They look nice, and are all right in every way. You should try them. 50 cents per peck; \$1.40 per bushel; \$3.75 per barrel.

WHITE EARLY OHIO.

IRISH BELLE.—This new potato is a wonder. They are of the Rural type in form, but much larger in size, a little more long shaped, and yield much more. They are **first class eating potatoes** as soon as dug or late in the spring. **A handsome and profitable potato.** Colored about like the Beauty of Hebron. Stock is limited and will be sold early. 50 cents per peck; \$1.40 per bushel; \$3.75 per barrel.

ST. PATRICK.—A fine looking white potato. It is a long-shaped potato, but not so much so as Empire State. Season medium. Heavy yielder. Will stand drouth well and is an all around profitable potato for home use or market. We **recommend St. Patrick** highly from our experience with it. Price on extra fine seed, 35 cents per peck; \$1.25 per bushel; \$3.25 per barrel.

PLANTS HAVE ALWAYS PLEASED.

Dear Sir:

Blue Ash, Ohio, Feb. 20, 1907.

Enclosed find my order for plants. Use your judgment as to shipping. Probably express would be best. I would have ordered earlier but lacked the ready money. **Your plants have always been very satisfactory** and I trust you can fill my order complete. Thanking you for all favors I am, very respectfully yours,
W. F. KENNEDY.

EMPIRE STATE.—A widely known and largely planted late white potato. Long shaped, a good yielder, good keeper and always sells well on the market. We have raised Empire State for ten years and have always considered them one of our most profitable potatoes. We have a good stock of Empire seed and it is fine. You will never regret having bought a few bushels of this grand white potato. Price this year, 35 cents per peck; \$1.25 per bushel; \$3.25 per barrel.

SIR WALTER RALEIGH.—Cut below shows the shape of this fine new potato. Noted for its yield, size, smoothness and handsome appearance. It is a regular Rural New Yorker in type and sells for Rural in Chicago market; but it came out eight years later than that famous variety and has all that much advantage in strength and vigor. Good large size, hardly ever any small ones, nearly round in shape, but flattened, just what is most desired now; skin pure white, thin and transparent, eyes few and very shallow, potatoes never prongy and never scabby, almost blight proof, a sure yielder where others fail, in clay soils and all other soils. Sir Walter Raleigh is a good one and will not disappoint you. Price 35 cents per peck; \$1.25 per bushel; \$3.25 per barrel.

SIR WALTER RALEIGH POTATO.

EARLY MAINE.—A fine new early potato of exceptional value. We have grown them three years and find them to be a fine looking, smooth potato, yielding a good big crop. Early Maine has been one of our best paying potatoes this summer. They are even shaped and handsome. They are about the color of Beauty of Hebron and are an extra heavy yielding early potato. Try Early Maine this year sure. We guarantee they will please you. Price 35 cents per peck; \$1.25 per bushel; \$3.25 per barrel.

HAD A FINE CROP FROM OUR PLANTS.

Leon, Iowa, March 25, 1907.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find my order for 1907. Did not know I would need any plants till very late. Would like plants soon as possible. Your plants have always given excellent satisfaction. Had a fine crop of strawberries from them last year and grape vines did finely.

Yours truly,

MRS. G. W. COX.

EARLY MAINE.

BEAUTY OF HEBRON.—Too well known to need much description. Skin clear, but pink. Nice, large, smooth, early potatoes. Raised in large quantities throughout the country. Beauty of Hebron is a good sure potato to plant for home use or market. Price 35 cents per peck; \$1.10 per bushel; \$3.00 per barrel.

BEAUTY OF HEBRON.

EARLY JUNE.—The finest looking potato we have. Clear white. Extra early. Best for fancy market. Shaped like Rural New Yorker. Flattened and round. We guarantee Early June to please you and make you big money. They were the nicest looking, smoothest potatoes we raised this year. We recommend Early June as the most perfect looking early white potato grown in this country.

Get a start with this grand, early, white potato now. Your order must come quick as stock is limited. Price for extra fine smooth tubers, 10 cents per pound; \$1.00 per peck; \$3.50 per bushel.

Remember the general shortage of potatoes this year and be prompt with your order.

If you want a quantity of seed potatoes, do not fail to write us at once, stating just what you want and we may be able to quote you a little better price.

Please remember that all potatoes are carefully put up in sacks, labeled and delivered to cars free of charge. All seed guaranteed to be pure and true to name and to reach you in good condition and give satisfaction.

Potato orders must come early or we may not be able to fill them.

Unsolicited Testimonials

THIS ONE FROM LECTURER OF "KENTUCKY STATE GRANGE." JUST CAME AS WE WERE SENDING COPY TO PRINTERS.

Dear Sir:

Hebron, Ky., Nov. 23, 1907.

It has been some time since I wrote you the last time, as I did not set any plants last season. Please send your catalogue to Mr. _____. He is a brother in our Grange.

As for your goods, they have always been A1 grade, and full count.

Thanking you in advance for any favors you may show to Bro. _____

I am, respectfully,

W. H. CLAYTON.

OUR PLANTS ARE DOING WELL FOR HIM.

Dear Sir:

Locust Point, R. F. D. No. 63.

Our plants (bought of you last spring) are doing fine. I thank you for such nice stock. Don't forget to send a 1908 catalogue. Yours truly,

ALEXANDER HENRIOTT.

HAD A BIG CROP FROM OUR PLANTS.

Dear Sir:

Bradford, R. F. D. No. 2, Dec. 29, 1907.

Please find below a list of over 10,000 plants that I will want for 1908 setting. I got a big crop—110 16-quart cases—off the little patch I set with your plants in spring of 1905.

Yours very truly,

H. O. MALLETT.

READ THIS ONE.

HAS ALWAYS BEEN PLEASED WITH OUR PLANTS.

Dear Sir:

Union City, Michigan, February 22, 1907.

_____, but I always received good plants from you and had rather deal with you.

The currant and grape plants you sent me last year were certainly extra fine. I wish you good luck this coming season.

Yours truly,

ERNEST WIEHL.

HAS BEEN BUYING OF US FOR TEN YEARS.

Dear Sir:

Augusta, Mich, Feb. 11, 1907.

Your catalogue received. I will say that it has been ten years since I bought my first plants of you, and I have always found them satisfactory. See list of wants for 1907 below.

Yours,

W. H. CONVERSE, JR.

ONLY LOST TEN PLANTS OUT OF 5,000.

Dear Sir:

Union City, R. F. D. No. 2, Jan. 3, 1907.

We got our strawberry plants of you last year and were very much pleased with them. They came in good condition. They were the best plants we ever received from any firm and we would like to deal with you some more.

We did not lose more than ten plants out of five thousand.

Yours respectfully,

GEORGE BRUNNER.

LIKED OUR POTATOES, ORDERS AGAIN.

Dear Sir:

Wheaton, Ill., Feb. 14, 1907.

I want some potatoes this spring for planting. They are for the Chicago Golf Club. I bought some for them last spring and was well pleased with them.

Yours truly,

C. W. SCHATZ.

(With Chicago Golf Club.)

THE "CYCLONE"

The best and most desirable HAND BROADCAST SEED SOWER made. This sower has stood every test of nearly forty years exacting service. The workmanship and material used in its construction are of the best available.

The **CYCLONE** differs materially and very advantageously from all other Sowers in having a slope feed board and oblong hopper which terminates in a metal edge on which edge oscillates a steel feed plate which does not allow the seed to become clogged, but makes a positive **FORCE FEED** and insures a uniform flow and even distribution of all farm seeds. The feed gauge can be adjusted closely for any kind of seed and opened or closed instantly and automatically without disturbing the adjustment. Full directions accompany each machine. Every one warranted. Price \$1.50 each.

THE CHICAGO (BOW) SEEDER is run by a backward and forward movement of a steel bow through a swivel guide. Otherwise it is like the Cyclone in construction. Price \$1.40 each.

THE LITTLE WONDER SOWER is practically and mechanically built, neatly finished and has the same automatic feed shut-off and agitating device as the Cyclone and Chicago machines. Anyone seeking a moderate price machine will find excellent value in the Little Wonder. Price \$1.25 each.

These goods are sold by the trade generally, and if you cannot secure them from your dealer we will send you, upon receipt of price, any of the above machines **BY PREPAID EXPRESS**. Do not accept a substitute.

CYCLONE SEEDER CO., MFGRS.

URBANA, INDIANA, U. S. A.

NOTICE:—Having used the Cyclone Seeder on my farms, I can unhesitatingly recommend same to my patrons as a strictly accurate and high grade machine. **WE GUARANTEE SATISFACTION.**

O. A. D. Baldwin

No. 4. Single Strap Harness with Curved Breast Collar. Price complete \$11.25. As good as sells for \$5.00 more.

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No. 654. Top Buggy with Late Automobile Style Seat, Bike Gear and $\frac{1}{2}$ in. Guaranteed Rubber Tires. Price complete, \$68.00. As good as sells for \$25.00 to \$30.00 more.

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O. A. D. BALDWIN, Bridgman, Mich.

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Prices on Strawberry Plants for 1908.

	Per 100.	Per 1000.
August Luther, (S).....	\$0.50	\$2.75
Aroma (S)	.60	3.50
Brandywine, (S)	.50	3.00
Beder Wood, (S).....	.50	2.00
Bubach, (P)	.60	3.50
Clyde, (S)	.60	3.50
Crescent, (P)	.50	2.00
Commonwealth, (S)	.50	3.00
Gandy, (S)	.50	3.00
Glen Mary, (S)	.60	3.50
Haverland, (P)	.50	3.00
Johnson's Early, (S).....	.50	2.00
Lovett, (S)	.50	2.00
Michel's Early, (S)	.50	1.75
Nettie, (P)	.60	3.50
Nic Ohmer, (S)	.60	3.50
Pocomoke, (S)	.60	3.50
Pride of Michigan, (S)	1.00	8.00
Splendid, (S)	.50	2.75
Senator Dunlap, (S)	.50	2.25
Sample, (P)	.60	3.50
Steven's Late Champion, (S) ..	.50	3.00
Uncle Jim, (S)	.60	3.50
Warfield, (P)	.50	2.00
Wm. Belt, (S)	.50	3.25

Varieties marked (P) are "Pistillate" and should be fertilized with staminate. Plant alternate rows of staminate and pistillate for best fruit. Those marked (S) are "Staminate" and fertilize themselves. They can be set in large patches alone with best of results.

We sell 25 at 100 and 250 at 1,000 rates.

At 100 rates to go by mail, add 25 cents to each 100; at 100 and 1,000 rates to go by express or freight, charges to be paid by purchaser.

We advise all to place their orders early and be sure of getting what you want, besides taking advantage of our discount for early orders.

If you want a quantity of plants, write us AT ONCE for special quotations.

May we not hear from YOU before our rush comes?

AWAITING YOUR FAVORS WHICH WILL RECEIVE CAREFUL
AND PROMPT PERSONAL ATTENTION, I AM,

Very truly yours,

O. A. D. BALDWIN,

Bridgman, Michigan.

Long Distance Telephone, call Bridgman.

Mersereau Blackberry

For years we have been looking for a blackberry that was hardy enough to stand our winters without protection and at the same time be of good size and firm enough to ship to distant markets with success.

Mersereau Fills the Bill.

We have carefully watched Mersereau Blackberry for Three Consecutive Fruiting Seasons, and here is what we guarantee for it:

FIRST—It needs no protection in winter. Successfully stood a temperature of 16 degrees below zero unprotected. (As hardy as Snyder.)

SECOND—Fruit is as large, glossy and firm as Wilson. Stands shipping as well and sells for Wilson on any market.

THIRD—More productive than Wilson. Will outyield all other blackberries in quarts per acre. A wonderful cropper.

FOURTH—A strong grower of healthy canes that average four to six feet high. The strongest grower of cane we ever saw affording ample strength and vitality needed to mature its great crop of fruit.

For further description and prices see inside of catalog. Blackberry department.