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Wyoming, - - Delaware.

Our Annual Greeting.

To all our many customers, old and new, as well as to all readers of this, our Twenty-eighth Annual Catalogue, we extend our greeting and good wishes.

Last year we departed from our usual custom by leaving out all cuts and pictures, believing that the many overdrawn cuts and colored plates tend to mislead and often to disappoint the purchaser, especially when the large, highly colored berries pictured become only ordinary strawberries, oftentimes with little or nothing to recommend them when the grower fruits them.

We do not, however, wish to discourage the honest introducer of new fruits nor to advise any one not to try them.

Of course they cannot all turn out to be worthy but if only one really valuable new berry adapted to the special uses of a grower is found it will more than repay the cost and trouble of a hundred failures.

So we hope even without the aid of these pictures to make our little catalogue a welcome visitor to the homes of our many patrons and friends.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

HAVING had a very favorable season for plant growth in the summer of 1909 we now have the largest and best stock of plants we have ever offered. Our increased facilities will enable us to serve our patrons more promptly and we believe better than ever before. We grow our own stock and ship as soon after digging as possible.

Our plants are as fine as can be grown anywhere, our prices are right, and our packing the best that 28 years attention can suggest.

BY MAIL—We have made special preparations for our large mail order trade. Our mail package is so light and yet substantial that we can deliver plants right at our customers' door for less than many of our competitors charge for the plants alone, and we don't believe there are any better plants to be obtained in any way. No extra charge for mailing dozen lots, and only 20 cents per 100 extra on larger lots.

BY EXPRESS—We have special 20 per cent discount rate with the Adams and other express companies. Our plants are put up as light as possible for express, weighing only 10 to 20 pounds per 1,000 when ready to go. We usually send by express when not otherwise ordered.

BY FREIGHT—We also ship plants to all parts of the country with almost unvarying success, giving entire satisfaction to our many customers. We recommend freight as the cheapest and best way of shipping plants except in small lots or late in the season.

Our light sandy soil, open winters and warm packing rooms give us special facilities for filling winter orders of Southern planters and starting plants to Northern and Western customers early enough in the spring to allow for plenty of time to reach their destination by freight, thus reducing the cost of transportation.

PACKING in the best manner and delivery at office in Wyoming is included in all prices named. Small orders receive every care, all orders and enclosures will be promptly acknowledged, and questions relating to our business carefully answered. We use light and strong packages, put in plenty of moss, and carefully separate and mark each different variety with printed tags.

We do not attempt to grow varieties that we believe to be inferior nor confuse our patrons with too long a list. In fact we trim our list every year, leaving out poor and useless sorts. Please do not order plants not in our list unless you allow us to substitute a similar variety, which we can often do

to the advantage of our customer, but will not do unless we can feel that we are giving as good or a better variety.

PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, but orders will be booked and held a reasonable time and sent on remittance.

C. O. D. orders will be accepted and promptly forwarded, but when made out for a large amount a part or the money should accompany the order, or satisfactory reference given.

OUR CUSTOMERS MAY DEPEND ON GETTING FULL COUNT OF LIVE PLANTS, true to name. Should any fail to get such plants, they may upon prompt notice, have plants replaced or money refunded.

Our Post Office address is now Wyoming, Delaware, instead of Dover. Plants are grown and shipped from our farm near Wyoming, just as we have always done, but mail now reach us more promptly by Rural delivery from Wyoming. Letters addressed to us at Dover reach us a few hours later.

SUBSTITUTION.—It is impossible for us always to have plants of all the varieties on our list, especially in the latter part of the season, but we can if allowed, often substitute as good or better varieties, and thus save time, which is a very important thing in the plant business. We never put in anything but good and similar sorts; often we can use higher priced and better varieties. So please indicate in your order whether substitution will be allowed in case we are short on any sort in your list.

SLAYMAKER & SON,

WYOMING, DEL.

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STRAWBERRIES—CULTURAL DIRECTIONS.

Land should be selected that has grown a cultivated crop like tomatoes the preceding year and not grown any berries for at least five years. Plow early and deep, allowing a few days at least between plowing and planting. Soil should be made as fine as possible and freshly worked just ahead of planting. Set plants 18 inches apart each way if for garden, 16 inches apart in rows 3 feet wide if for field culture. One row out of every four must be of perfect flowering varieties. Set the plants with trowel, or any way convenient, so that the roots extend down into the soil, and are all covered, the

crowns appearing just above the surface of the ground. Firm very carefully ; large beds may be rolled as soon as set out. Cultivate or hoe soon after setting and often enough to keep all weeds down. Let enough runners take root to make the rows 12 inches wide with plants standing 6 inches apart each way ; then carefully remove all other runners, and remember that the success of your beds depends largely on the care with which this work is done. Keep up this treatment until stopped by winter, then mulch with straw and you have only to wait for your crop, one of the most certain, profitable, delightful and interesting that can be grown. High grade fertilizer, ashes or well rotted manure may be applied any time before planting or during the growing season if well worked in.

Spraying—Strawberries in large or small beds may be much improved by spraying with lime sulphur solution, just before the blossom opens in the Spring ; or at any time in Summer the rust or any insect pest appears to injure the growing plants.

STRAWBERRIES—NEW VARIETIES.

Among many new sorts growing in our beds and not yet fruited here, we have selected the following as worthy of further trial :

Early Ozark (Per.)—Early. This berry was introduced a year ago by Charles Shull of Missouri, after he had fruited it five years. He describes it as “the largest extremely early berry ever introduced.” It is a cross between Aroma and Excelsior, and has large blossoms which are rich in pollen. Foliage dark green, large and healthy. Plant very productive. Fruit firm, good, and very large. Mr. Shull says: “Fifteen berries filled a quart rounding full, the berries measuring five and one-half inches around.” He also states that it is very hardy in resisting frost.

Goree (Per.)—Early. A native of Texas, beginning life as an accidental seedling in 1902. It was introduced in the fall of 1907 and spring of 1908, by T. V. Munson & Son. We make quotations from their catalog: “The vine is a strong, handsome grower and a good plant maker, enduring with impunity the hottest and driest weather, in both the black waxy soil of Mr. Goree’s place, and the thin sandy soil of Denison. The foliage is of a dark, glossy green, and perfectly healthy. The flowers are perfect and profuse, setting an enormous crop of berries which ripen out perfectly and are very firm, and best of shippers. The berries are from medium to large, heart-shaped, regular and uniform to an unusual degree, ripening all over, of a very rich, glossy, crimson scarlet, and shine as if varnished ; seeds golden, prominent. Its quality is its crowning glory. It is exceedingly aromatic, and has in the

highest degree the richest, sweetest, true wild strawberry flavor. Flesh solid crimson." The Goree has borne a second crop in Texas every year but one since the beginning of its cultivation.

Gill (Per.)—Very early. Our attention was first attracted to this variety by the reports of the Ohio Experiment Station, where it was found to be among the earliest, and "the most productive of all the early sorts." The plant is thrifty, and makes runners freely. The fruit is uniform in shape, nearly round, and above the average of early varieties in size. It colors all over, and becomes quite deep red when fully ripe. The flesh is light red and white, and has a pleasing flavor. It is not remarkable as a shipper, but the surface is quite firm and not easily bruised.

Jim Dumas (Per.)—Early. This was originated by that very successful propagator, Louis Hubach of Arkansas, who produced Fremont Williams and other valuable varieties. He states that the Dumas combines the blood of Barton's Eclipse, Gandy and Excelsior. He describes it as having "strong, healthy foliage, and very stiff, long roots; a good plant maker and has never shown any sign of rust or blight. The berries are very large and perfect, running from 16 to 24 in the box the first week or two, and then dropping to 30 or 40. The berries ripen nearly as early as Excelsior, and average twice as large. Unlike the most large kinds it is a great yielder, and holds out during a long season.

Outlander (Per.)—Midseason. The originator's description says: "Name suggested by its long runners and far-flung fruit stalks. In the Haverland class as to type—omitting its defects and improving its good points. The Outlander is unique, and one of its distinctive traits is its habit of developing the king berry MUCH in advance of the rest on the truss. After it is picked the rest are better sap-fed, and reach a fine uniform size and are exceedingly attractive in shape and color. They are oval with a neck and a handsome green calyx which flares back, making capping easy. They show up well in the crates, and should prove good shippers. Some of the king or first berries weigh over one and one-half ounces. It colors up evenly, a bright red, with darker hue where sun strikes. Flesh pinkish. While not an acid berry its flavor is only fair. Every blossom makes good." Outlander won the gold medal awarded for the largest strawberries at the Jamestown Exposition.

Elma. Introduced by Jos. H. Black & Son. They describe it as the latest of all Strawberries and on that account very valuable to lengthen out the season. The Ohio Experiment Station says (Bulletin 186):

Elma (Crawford, 1906)—Medium to large, short conical, sometimes slightly compressed or oblate; light crimson in color. Flesh light pink in color, quite firm and of good flavor. Plants are clean, healthy, vigorous growers and moderately productive of very attractive berries. This is the latest berry in our entire collection and may prove to have some value where it succeeds well. Compared with

Fremont Williams the Elma is not so large and showy, nor quite so firm in flesh ; compared with Stevens Late Champion it is not so prolific ; but it is a little later in season than either.

Improved Bubach. We have now fruited this new variety two years before offering it as a new and distinct sort. Possessing all the desirable characteristics of the well-known Bubach, and at the same time ranking among the most vigorous growers we have. Plants and leaves are both unusually large while the berries have the same size and character of the Bubach. This variety has been grown and shipped in a large way the past season from Cheswold, Delaware, and it has been planted just as fast as the plants could be grown, favored there over all other Strawberries for market.

Fendall (Imp.)—Sent out last year by Chas. E. Fendall. We have now fruited this sort in a small way. We are more than pleased with its behavior. It is not only among the largest and most productive sort but it is way up at the top of the list in quality. In every respect it has proven worthy of the highest praise. 100 crates shipped in one shipment to Baltimore caused a sensation in that great market, selling ahead of all others. We feel that we can now advise our friends to plant Fendall for Home use or Market. Plant all you can, of course remembering that some other Staminate sort must be planted with it as a fertilizer for its imperfect bloom.

We quote from originator :—"It is a seedling of the well-known William Belt. Its claims to public favor are as follows : First, Great vigor of plant growth. Second, Large size and delicious flavor. Third, Length of bearing season. Fourth, Wonderful productiveness. Fifth, Splendid root system. Sixth, Beauty and symmetry of form. It throws out a great many runners which root splendidly in a very short time."

The Joe (Emerson's)—It is an unsettled question whether this is the same berry sent out by Messrs. Jos. H. Black Co. and just improved by Mr. Emerson's care in selection of the plants, or whether it is a seedling of the Joe. At all events the handsomest quart of berries among the hundreds we examined in a great number of different beds and localities, was of this variety. These berries were sold in considerable quantities on the Wyoming market last year and the year before, and they have uniformly outsold any other variety offered, bringing from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ more than the best Bubach, Parsons or any other sort offered. They are of the Wm. Belt type which means the best in color and quality. We find too, that as a carrier they are the best. They can be safely shipped without ice, and sure to reach the market in the best condition. The fruit stems are unusually strong and erect, carrying the large berries well up from the ground. We will plant more largely of Joe and Fendall for market than of any other sorts, having full faith in their unusual merit. Stock of plants is limited, but we hope to fill our orders.

Chipman (Per.)—A chance plant found growing in a bed of Bubach near Lincoln, Delaware. This one plant were noticed by Mr. Chipman for the beautiful berries it produced, and from this plant there was enough runners to allow a test the next year which seemed to prove the great merit of the variety. Every year larger beds have been set and everyone delighted with the fruit produced. Numerous growers in different parts of our State and especially in the vicinity of Milford have now fruited this berry and we have not been able to find one that does not think it the best all round berry they ever fruited. The plant is a vigorous grower of Bubach type, a strong Staminate blossom. Berry round, uniform, about the size of Bubach, but enough better to make it noticeable among berries of the best sorts. In color, size and quality this berry just suits the market, so it is sure to become a great market sort as soon as enough plants can be produced. Begins to ripen some days ahead of Bubach. Every year this variety gains in public favor. As a second early market sort it is fully recommended as the best we have. Our stock of these plants is very large and the price quoted is certainly low enough for all.

STRAWBERRIES—OLDER VARIETIES.

Abington (Per.)—We received this berry from Mr. Lestar Blanchard of Massachusetts, who says that it is a berry that will take the place of the Bubach. It is a better plant maker, the blossom is perfect and hardy, it sends up more fruit stalks, there are more buds on each fruit stalk, and ripens at the same time.

Bubach (Imp.)—This holds its place in the favor of most strawberry growers—the leading pistillate variety for market. Large, bright berry, coloring very evenly, just the size and color that seems now to be most popular.

Champion (Per.)—(Stevens Champion.) A notable market variety that has now been quite generally tried with most satisfactory results. From all quarters we hear most favorable reports. It has all the desirable market characteristics. Large size, immense productiveness, equalled by very few if any other sorts. Good color. A sure money-maker.

Corsican (Per.)—This grand berry was first called Big Berry. It is not only a big berry but such a sweet rich fruit as to entitle it to a place in the first rank among the best strawberries for table use. Corsican gains friends every year both for home use and for market. It is of bright rich color and large size and in high quality it has few if any equals. Not so heavy a bearer as some other sorts but always to be depended on for a good crop of extra berries.

Chesapeake (Per.)—Takes its name from Chesapeake Bay. Plants few, rather vigorous, healthy, productive. Leaves above medium in size, rather dark green; leaf stems medium to above in length, thick, usually branched, semi-erect. Blooms late, ripens in mid season, picks easily. Calyx large, leafy, attractive green, slightly depressed. Seeds markedly raised, numerous. Fruit large, roundish conic to wedge, surface plump, unbroken by furrows, attractive glossy scarlet. Flesh fairly good color but sometimes rather light, very firm, mildly acid, pleasant flavor; quality good to very good.

Ekey (Per.)—Early medium, and makes a very short season. This is one of the finest berries in our collection. It makes grand plants, but not very many. It yields a good crop, and the fruit is remarkably large and fine; very long, with a slight neck, dark red, and glossy. The flesh is also a dark red and firm, and the flavor is excellent.

Dicky—A new berry introduced by C. S. Pratt who claims that in 40 years experience of himself and Mr. Gowing the originator this is the best berry yet found.

Gandy—An old variety that has stood the test of years and remains as popular to-day as at any time in the past. While the Gandy does not yield so many quarts as some other kinds, the extra price it will demand in market will fully make up for the small yield. As usual we have grown an extra large stock of Gandy plants.

Golden Gate—We have always been impressed with the value of this berry since we first saw a few specimens on spring set plants 3 years ago, now we are glad to say that it proved to be all that was claimed for it. It is a vigorous grower, and makes large plants with luxuriant foliage. The fruit is very large and beautiful, red and glossy, and the color of the surface extends half way to the center, which is white. Some of our largest specimens were wedge-shaped, but the typical form of the berry is a handsome oval. The flavor is mild and pleasant, but not rich. It ranks well for firmness. Medium early. We should class this with our most productive sorts.

Glen Mary—A standard sort that does very well under favorable conditions but sometimes blights badly. Where this variety succeeds it is always a great favorite.

Heritage—A seedling from New Jersey which has now fruited on our grounds; bears out the originator's description quite well, being of Brandywine type of berry, large, late and productive. We think this one of the best if not the very best late sort.

Haverland—An old sort still in demand in some sections, a very heavy bearer of large long-pointed berries, color light scarlet, quality only medium. Large fine plants of the utmost vigor.

The Highland Strawberry—A chance seedling found by T. B. Carlisle. He has tested it for ten years and finds it the best money-making variety he grows. The plants are large, healthy, and more productive than any other variety. Fruit large, fine color, fine form, good quality and moderately firm. We have not had an opportunity to satisfactorily test the Highland here. Demand for plants so heavy we dug about all we had. So we again quote from report of Ohio Experiment Station : "During the four years Highland has been upon the Station grounds, it has not failed to give very prolific crops. It seems strong and persistent in all its admirable points. A quart maker of bright, handsome berries of very acceptable quality."

Kitty Rice (Imp.)—An old variety much in demand for both home use and market, also for exhibition ; fruit large, conical, uniform dark red. Worthy of best treatment. Winter covering seems to add to the value of its fine crop.

Klondyke (Per.)—Originates in the Southwest, where we are informed that it leads all others, more of it being planted than of any other sort. With us the plant resembles the Lady Thompson. Berry is shapely, pointed ; deep red, not too dark ; good uniform size with few small berries. A good bearer, early in ripening its crop. A valuable addition to our list of standards.

Michel Early—Oldest of the extra early sorts and in many respects the best especially for home use or nearby markets. Berries sweet and good, of medium size and very short season. Plants grow very freely and runners should be taken off after enough plants have set. Pays for good care and high culture.

Missionary—A new early berry, very popular in some parts of Virginia. Seems to resemble the Superior in the character of its fruit.

Myer (Imp.)—This berry was found by Mr. Harvey Myer growing among several other kinds, but of unknown origin. The berries were so striking that he has propagated and grown it for market for five years past. The berry has attracted great attention around Bridgeville where it is known as Myer No. 1. The variety is very distinct in several particulars. The bloom is imperfect, but the blossoms appear in abundance and continue to show in large numbers after the vines are red with ripe berries. The contrast of clear white blossoms, deep green leaves and brilliant red fruit is most striking and beautiful, and such as we have never seen in any other strawberry. The berries begin to ripen with the Parsons and last as long as any other kind, always bringing the top price.

The Norwood (Per.)—This variety has the distinction of having been named and given first

prize by the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. It was also claimed by the originator that four of these berries filled a quart basket. As grown by us, it seems to be very much like the Marshall, no exceptionally large berries having shown up here. We have quite a stock of nice strong plants from stock purchased right from the introducer.

Nick Ohmer (Per.)—Midseason. Originated by John F. Beaver and introduced by M. Crawford eleven years ago. This is essentially a berry for the amateur. It is immensely large, of fine form and good flavor, and well repays the care which is required to bring it to perfection. It does best when grown in hills, and needs high culture. The plant is large.

Parsons Beauty (Per.)—Starting from this section this variety has grown every year in favor with growers and shippers. Over thirty carloads of Parsons were shipped in one day last season from Selbyville, Delaware, netting, as always before, handsome returns. It is a second early sort, leading all others in productiveness, fine dark red color, holding up in market very well.

Senator Dunlap (Per.)—"This is one of those healthy plants which, if given half a chance will look out for itself anywhere you plant it. Has an extra long flowering season; the blossom is handsome and exceedingly rich with pollen, which makes it very valuable to plant with such pistillate kinds as ripen in its season."

Success (Per.)—One of our best early berries, first of the large berries to ripen. Strong staminate blossom, large healthy plant, and fine fruit. A favorite market sort.

Tennessee (Per.)—A fine healthy plant that is now very well known and largely planted to fertilizer Bubach, Sample, and imperfect sorts. Like many other strong growers it will overcrowd the row if left to itself, and small inferior berries will result instead of the large fine looking fruit that this variety is able to produce under fair treatment. Always productive, fair quality and good shipper.

The 3 W.—We have now fruited this excellent variety several years and certify to its many good qualities. In 1904 it won highest prize at World's Fair and made a record for keeping ten days. Three W. has grown in favor every year since its introduction and has already become a market favorite in many sections.

Rowenna, Pa. April, 15, 1909.

Messrs. Slaymaker & Son, Dover, Del.—Gentlemen: The strawberry plants you sent reached me in good order and are fine. Thank you for the extra variety sent.

Yours truly, AMOS ZIGLER.

GENERAL LIST OF STRAWBERRIES.

Dozen rates include postage. Add 20 cents per hundred for mailing.

	12	100	1000		12	100	1000
Abington (Per.) \$	20	\$ 40	\$ 3 50	Improved Bubach (Imp.)	25	40	3 00
Arnout (Per.)	20	40	2 00	Jim Dumas (Per.)	50	1 00	
Aroma (Per.)	20	40	3 00	Joe (Per.)	40	75	5 00
Autumn (Imp.)	50	1 00		Johnson Early (Per.) . .	15	30	2 25
Beder Wood (Per.)	20	40	5 00	Kitty Rice (Imp.)	25	40	3 00
Brandywine (Per.)	20	40	3 00	King Edward (New) . . .	50	1 00	5 00
Bubach (Imp.)	20	40	3 00	Klondyke (Per.)	20	35	2 50
Cardinal (Imp.)	25	40	3 00	Lady Thompson (Per.) . .	15	40	3 00
Champion (Stevens Per.)	25	40	2 50	Marshall (Per.)	20	50	3 50
Chesapeake (Per.)	25	50	3 50	Maryland (New)	25	50	3 00
Chipman (Per.)	25	40	2 50	Michel's Early (Per) . . .	15	30	2 00
Climax (Per.)	20	30	3 50	Missionary (Per.)	15	30	2 50
Corsican (Per.)	20	40	3 00	Myer (Imp.)	20	30	2 00
Crescent (Imp.)	15	25	2 00	New York	15	40	3 00
Crimson Cluster (Per)	20	30	2 50	Nick Ohmer (Per.)	20	50	3 00
Dicky (Per.)	25	30	3 00	Norwood (Per.)	40	1 00	10 00
Early Ozark	50	1 00		Outlander (Per.)	50	1 00	
Ekey	25	40	3 00	Parsons Beauty (Per.)	20	40	2 50
Elma	35	50		Pan American (Per.) . . .	50	5 00	
Excelsior (Per.)	15	25	2 50	Paul Jones (New)	25	50	4 00
Fairfield (Per.)	20	40	3 00	President (Imp.)	25	40	3 50
Fendall (Imp.)	30	50	5 00	Sample (Imp.)	15	40	2 50
Florella	25	50	3 00	Senator Dunlap (Per.) . .	15	25	2 50
Gandy (Per.)	20	40	2 50	Sharpless (Per.)	25	40	3 00
Gill (Per.)	50	1 00		Superior (Per)	25	30	2 50
Glenn Mary (Per.)	20	40	3 00	Success (Per.)	15	40	2 00
Goree	50	1 00		Tennessee (Per.)	15	40	2 25
Golden Gate (Per.)	25	40	3 00	Texas (Per.)	20	40	2 00
Haverland (Imp.)	20	40	2 50	Uncle Jim (Per.)	30	50	3 00
Helen Gould (Per.)	25	50	4 00	Warfield (Imp)	15	25	2 50
Highland (Per.)	25	40	3 00	Wm. Belt (Per.)	25	40	3 50
Heritage (Per.)	20	40	3 00	3 W (Per.)	20	30	3 00
Hundred Dollar (Per.) . .	20	50	3 00				

We have tested and can specially recommend those varieties printed in bold type. Those marked Imp. are imperfect in blossom and must have a perfect plant set near them; every fourth row will do.

OUR PLANTS ARE ALL DUG FROM YOUNG BEDS.

Remember, our Pamphlet, "Cultural Directions" for growing berries, will be mailed to every customer immediately on receipt of order, if asked for.

RASPBERRIES.

Miller Red Raspberry.—This grand old variety stands at the head of all the tested Red Raspberries. The cane is large and strong and the fruit so firm, high colored and large as to capture every market and yield the grower great profits. \$6.00 per 1,000. **Cuthbert.**—\$1.00 per 100.

Kansas Black Cap.—\$1.00 per 100.

Early King.—75 cents per 100. \$1.00 per 1,000.

BLACKBERRIES.

Kenoyer.—\$1.50 per 100.

Rathbun New Early Blackberry.—50 cents per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.

Eldorado.—\$1.50 per 100; \$10.00 per 1,000.

Lucretia Dewberry.—Very largely grown for Market all over the country. Price \$1.00 per 100; \$8.00 per 1,000.

Premo.—A new pistillate dewberry, earlier than Lucretia. Splendid season for market. \$1.00 per 100.

ASPARAGUS.

Palmetto, Barr's Mammoth and Giant Argenteuil.—Strong assorted plants.

50 cents per 100; \$2.50 per 1,000. Good size plants at \$2.00.

CELERY PLANTS.

We are large shippers of Celery Plants, having grown and sold nearly half a million plants yearly. We will have all the standard varieties in July and August at low prices. We enlarge our planting this year so as to surely supply our increasing trade for Celery plants. Large, strong plants ready July 1 to September 1.

White Plume, Boston Market, Giant Pascal, etc.—30c. per 100; \$1.25 per 1,000.

Golden Heart, White Solid, Winter Queen.—\$1.25 per 1,000.

Golden Self Blanching and Red Plume.—\$1.50 per 1,000, by mail 10c. per 100 extra.

The Auto Spray Traction Sprayer.

We have used one of these Sprayers on all our Berries, also in our Orchard, Vineyard and Vegetable work. After having tried most of the power Spray rigs, we are fully convinced that these Auto Spray outfits offer the simplest and best machine for the work. An ordinary farm team will with these Sprayers furnish all the power needed to transport the spray material and maintain pressure at 150 lbs. per square inch, the point necessary for good work. No expense for gasoline or batteries as is required for gasoline outfits, and no trained engineer necessary to keep machine running. We have effected arrangements with the manufacturers of the "Auto Spray" Sprayers, so that we can offer a full line of these machines at their prices.

No. 29.—For Strawberry and Potato work, as also for Vineyard and Orchard, the No. 29 is perhaps the best. Price including equipment complete, with discount off, is **\$180.**

No. 28.—For heavy Orchard Work, with high tower, **\$250.**

No. 1.—Like the cut shown, is for hand work, best in its line. Price with Brass Tank and best equipment, **\$8.50.**

Non-Clog Atomic Nozzle, latest and best nozzle, needed on every sprayer of whatever make. Full particulars and description on application. Price, **\$1.25.**

Send for pamphlet on spray machinery and learn the many good points to be found only in the Auto Spray line.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 26, 1909.
Slaymaker & Son:—The plants rec'd from you last week are fine. Please accept thanks for safe arrival and fine plants.
Yours,
R. WALLIS.

Staunton, Va., April 19, 1909.
Gentlemen:—The strawberries rec'd a few days ago are all out and looking fine.
Yours truly,
J. H. BELL.

Slaymaker & Son, Sirs: We were pleased with the plants received from you two years ago.
Respectfully,
MERRON & SON, Plumville, Pa.

Pure Bred Poultry.

We raise and sell large quantities of pure high bred poultry every year. While we are not exhibitors we take every precaution to have our stock of the best, and not being at the trouble and expense of exhibition, we can offer the eggs, as good we believe as can be obtained anywhere, at a price within the reach of all.

We take particular pains to have our stock strong and healthy as well as up to standard points and make it a rule to breed only cock birds of the best egg producing strains not related to the hens.

We have had remarkable success in packing and shipping eggs to distant points. Packing in light baskets without extra charge.

Plymouth Rock.—This is the most popular general purpose fowl. Its good size, hardy growth and good laying qualities make it a practical bird for the farm. Our Barred Rocks are this year crossed with Bradley stock. 13 eggs for 75 cents; 26 eggs for \$1.35.

White Leghorns.—A well-known fowl noted for its egg producing qualities. They lay so steadily that they seldom get time to sit and therefore cannot be depended on for sitters. The eggs are large and white and are very popular in market—often an extra price can be obtained for pure Leghorn eggs in the city market. Our White Leghorns are prime stock from the Iona Poultry Farms where trap nest breeding for eggs has been carried on more extensively, probably, than at any other poultry plants in the country. Mated with first prize winning cock at Wyoming Poultry Show. 13 eggs for 75 cents, 26 eggs \$1.35.

White Wyandotte.—Large white docile fowls that lay like the Leghorns without much inclination to sit. Large brown eggs. Make the largest and best broilers when six weeks old. Grow so large that they excel for table or market. We recommend the White Wyandotte as combining in a remarkable way the best qualities of all the best breeds. Our White Wyandottes are crossed with the best Afton farm prize winning stock. 229 egg record. 13 eggs 75 cents, 26 eggs for \$1.35.

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