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Descriptive Price List, Spring 1910

The following prices are only one-half what the associated nurseries are asking, (a trust composed of about all the nurseries of the Eastern States and many of the West) I deliver FREE to your nearest depot all orders of \$5 and over.

BLACK WALNUT.

Our well known native tree. The wood is valuable. Every farm should have a small grove. Price 1 to 2 feet, \$3.00 per 100, \$20.00 per 1,000.

OSAGE ORANGE.

The well known field hedge, left to grow up rank it is a nuisance, but if properly cared for it is very desirable and is coming back into favor. Price one year \$5.00 per 1,000.

SPIRES VAN HOSETTI.

A well known shrub, blooms late in April, resembles bridal wreath. The small white flowers on the drooping branches almost hide the leaves. "A snow bank of wondrous beauty." It makes a nice hedge. Price, 1 to 2 feet, 25c each, \$10.00 per 100.

CALIFORNIA PRIVET.

For beauty, utility and economy your yard fence should be privet. Decidedly the most beautiful ornamental hedge, almost an evergreen. Its dark green foliage is retained far into the winter. Hardy and a rapid grower. Plant two or three inches deeper than the plants stood in the nursery, making two rows six inches apart with the plants one foot apart in the first row, planting the second row in such a way that the plants are midway between those of the first row. In this way you get a dense base and a wide top. If interested, write for more detailed information. Price 1 to 2 feet, \$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1,000; 2 to 3 feet, \$4.00 per 100, \$35.00 per 1,000.

CATALPA SPECIOSA.

The genuine hardy, tall growing Catalpa is in great demand. The past few years railroad, telegraph and telephone companies have planted them by the millions for their future use. The

farmer should be as far sighted. They are the very best tree to plant for fence posts. For this purpose plant about 4x5 and cut down after two years, treated this way they make a straight post and no time is lost as the strong root sends up a straight round tree very rapidly. About 2,000 can be put out on one acre. A catalpa grove in bloom (during June and July) is a thing of beauty. If interested write for more detailed information. Price \$1.50 per hundred, \$10.00 per 1000 1 to 2 feet.

To strangers without good reference, cash before shipment.

50 at 100 rate, 500 at 1000 rate. No charge for packing or boxing.

BEAUTIFY HOME GROUNDS.

(Vandalia Union.)

With the diffusion of education and more prosperous times people are paying more attention to the ornamental side of life. Nurseries who used to ignore this branch of their business almost entirely have lately awakened to the enormous demand for ornamental stock. There is no excuse for bare yards and rickety fences. A privet fence and a few shrubs, roses and climbing vines are within the reach of all. Poverty is no excuse, for the thought of poverty must be dispensed with. It is the thought that chills endeavor and keeps us poor. It is very hard to get rid of the thought while it is reflected all around us. Therefore it is of the utmost importance to be in cheerful surroundings and have harmony, beauty and comfort as an atmosphere, rather than discord, ugliness and want.

In proportion as we dwell upon the former, we shall bring them into our experience, and while we are pleasing ourselves with the purest of human pleasures it is satisfying to know we are contributing to the welfare of mankind. It was Whittier who wrote:

Give fools their gold and knaves their power,
Let fortune's bubbles rise and fall.
Who sows a field or trains a flower,
Or plants a tree is more than all.
For he who blesses most is blest
And God and man shall own his worth.
Who toils to leave at his bequest
An added beauty to the earth.

Emil Pacatte, Nurseryman
PIERRON ILLINOIS

S. Mrs. Van Houtt