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THE WILLIS NURSERIES

INTRODUCTION

In presenting this new edition of our catalogue to our customers and the public, we wish first of all to express our thanks for the good patronage that has been extended to us. This patronage has enabled us to continue and to enlarge our business, and to increase the amount of goods we could offer our customers year by year.

The Willis Nurseries have never been so well able to meet the demands of a large trade as they are now, and we shall in the future, as in the past, use our best efforts to make all orders sent us profitable to our customers. We seek a liberal share of the patronage of those needing goods in our line. These nurseries are located at the beautiful city of Ottawa, Kansas, on high prairie, and the stock is grown under the most favorable conditions to secure a well-developed system of roots and strong, shapely, well-grown plants.

We have a large force of experienced men, who give their attention to the production of the best stock, and no expense is spared in the cultivation, digging or handling of our stock, to get it to our customers in first-class condition. Our office and packing house are located within one-half block of the paved streets of the city, and we are prepared to handle a large volume of business. The frost-proof storage house and packing plant is one of the best in the West. It is 100 by 200 feet and equipped with electric lights and city water. This enables us to handle our stock at all times where it is protected from the weather and where there is plenty of moisture. The main line of the Missouri Pacific and Santa Fe railroads, with their numerous branches and connections, furnish us good shipping facilities, and shipments are handled promptly for all parts of the country.

VISITORS AND CORRESPONDENCE

We are always glad to welcome visitors and to show them our stock and our packing plant, and to have them see how carefully our goods are handled. All correspondence, whether you wish to buy or not, will receive prompt and careful attention. We are always pleased to answer inquiries and make prices by letter, if you are interested in goods in our line.

INSPECTION AND FUMIGATION

Our nurseries are inspected each year by the State Entomologist, and all shipments are accompanied by a certificate of inspection. We are also prepared to fumigate where the state laws require fumigation.

ADVICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

Orders should be sent in early, before the assortment is broken. When varieties are sold it is often impossible to replace them.

All orders should be written plainly on a separate sheet of paper, being especially careful about the name, post office and shipping point.

All orders will be carefully labeled, packed and delivered to the depot or express office in good condition, when our responsibility ceases and customers must look to the forwarders for delay or damage in transit.

Remittances should be made by postal order, express money order, bank draft or registered letter.

Where particular varieties are ordered and particular sizes of trees and kinds of stock, etc., are desired, it should be stated whether and to what extent other varieties, ages, sizes, etc., may be substituted in case the order cannot be filled to the letter, as sometimes happens in all establishments.

Customers should give full shipping instructions, stating whether they wish goods sent by freight or express, and also the route. When these instructions are not given we forward according to our best judgment, but in no case will we assume responsibility after consignment to the purchaser.

Our customers will please notify us AT ONCE in case of any shortage or errors in filling their orders, that we may make proper amends. We are anxious to give all our customers the full worth of their money and to retain to the fullest extent their confidence.

The packing season with us usually begins from March 1st to March 15th and continues from April 15th to May 1st in the spring, and in the fall from about October 10th to the 1st of December, and sometimes favorable weather continues till Christmas.

In this catalogue we make no pretense to giving the largest assortment, but we have tried to select a list of varieties that will, when planted and cultivated to fruitage, give good returns for the investment made.

GUARANTEE OF GENUINENESS

While we use every care to have all our trees, plants, etc., true to label and hold ourselves in readiness on proper proof, to replace all trees, plants etc., that may prove untrue to label, free of charge or refund the amount paid, it is mutually understood and agreed between the purchaser and ourselves that we shall in no case be liable for any sum greater than the amount originally received for said trees, plants, etc., that prove untrue.

PLANT YOUNG TREES

We cannot too strongly recommend to our customers the procuring of young trees, especially for orchard planting, instead of selecting the largest that can be had, to secure a more immediate effect. Young trees cost less at the nursery, also in freight, handling, and planting; they can be taken up with more perfect roots, and will become sooner established in a new location. They can also be more readily trained to any desired shape. The largest and most successful planters invariably select young and thrifty trees as the surest in the end to give thorough satisfaction.

For small grounds, or street planting, where it is necessary to make a show as soon as possible, large trees are often desirable, and when handled with care should not fail to do well, but with the general planter the average of loss will be much less and both time and money will be saved if young trees are selected to commence with.

We have been slow to recommend novelties, believing our customers would in the end be better satisfied with the good returns that can be realized from the planting and careful cultivation of the known reliable kinds. There are numerous candidates for favor offered to the planter every year, but the list of kinds our best horticulturists consider thoroughly reliable is not rapidly increasing. Would we then advise our customers to plant no new fruits? Hardly, and yet if you plant to raise fruit the most certain way is to plant well tested, successful kinds. If you plant new fruits, plant no more than you are willing to risk in an experiment. If you have means

and leisure to devote to them, there is nothing you can do as means of enjoyment within your reach that will afford more satisfaction than to experiment with horticultural novelties, and the effort to produce new fruits that will prove valuable yourself; and should you succeed in producing a new fruit that has real value, the public want it, and are willing to pay well for it.

SOIL, ITS PREPARATION, EXPOSURE, ETC.

Any soil that will grow good crops of corn and small grain will answer for fruit trees, etc. Eastern and northern exposures are usually considered the best, but perhaps more depends on the quality of the soil and its preparation, and after cultivation, than on the exposure. If the ground is naturally wet, spouty and cold, artificial draining is necessary before planting. Any ground should be well prepared by twice plowing, using the subsoil plow after the common one at the second plowing, and stirring the ground twenty inches or more deep, the deeper the better; this is not only for trees, but for small fruits as well. On good rich soil manuring will be unnecessary, but on poor soil, fertilizers, such as decomposed manure or compost, should be applied freely. Never grow small grain in the orchard, but always some crop that will require some cultivation, and the rows of trees should be kept cultivated at least until the month of August.

TRANSPLANTING—When the trees are received, open the bundles and heel in so that mellow earth will come in contact with all the roots. It may be necessary to apply water to moisten the soil; before planting, the ends of all bruised and broken roots must be cut sloping from the under side. If the soil is properly prepared the holes may not be dug much larger than to receive the roots in their original position. In planting in sod in yard or lawn the hole should be dug four to six feet in diameter and a little deeper than is necessary to set the tree, always using good mellow soil in filling in, pressing the ground well about the roots, and in such a manner as to leave them in their natural position as much as possible. Water freely used in planting helps to settle the earth about the roots and a mulching of three or four inches thick and four to six feet in diameter should be applied as soon as the tree is planted, but the earth should be well pressed about the tree before applying the mulching.

DEPTH TO PLANT

About the only correct guide that can be given in regard to the depth to be planted is that when the ground is well pressed about the tree or plant it will be as deep or a little deeper than it stood in the nursery; and in this it is well to bear in mind that the roots of some trees, such as the Standard Pear, strike their roots deep, and require a deep hole, even to plant them as deep as they were in the nursery. Dwarf trees should be planted so that all the stock on which they are worked will be under the ground.

PRUNING

Cut back one-third to one-half of the last season's growth and one-year-old peach to almost a bare stock and headed back to the desired height for forming the top; the buds on the body of the tree will make a better growth and form a better top than if the side branches are left on. It is not advisable to do any of this pruning until just before the buds start in the spring. Remove the labels before the trees begin to grow.

WINTERING TREES

Procuring trees in the autumn for early spring planting is recommended when the purchaser is not prepared to plant in the fall or prefers spring setting or where the winters are too severe to set out young trees and plants in the fall; the greatest advantages in doing so are that when the roots have been cut or pruned, it will be found upon taking them up in the spring that a callus has been formed ready for the producing of new rootlets, and the trees being planted without much exposure as soon as the frost is out of the ground, will become thoroughly established the first season and will make twice the growth of late planted trees; and the labor of planting is then done before the rush of the spring work sets in. To insure success, select a dry spot of ground where water will not stand during winter, and where no grass or litter will invite mice. Dig a trench from three to four feet wide according to the amount of trees to be heeled in and deep enough to admit one layer of roots and sloping enough to let the trees lay at

an angle of about thirty degrees, throwing the earth on the back part of the trenches so as to make a more perfect slope on which to lay down the trees. Put in one layer of trees, placing the roots as close together as can conveniently be done, cover with well pulverized soil well up on the bodies and as carefully worked in about the roots as if they were being planted; then add another layer of trees overlapping the first, and continue as at first until all are healed in, throwing the ground well up around the trench, and where the winters are very severe it is advisable to cover the tree entirely up with earth. Evergreen boughs or coarse straw or corn fodder can be placed over the tops, but not thick enough to admit of a harbor for mice. The roots should be pruned before laying them down in the fall.

TREATMENT OF TREES, ETC.

that have been frozen in the packages or received during frosty weather: Put them unopened in a cellar or some other cool, protected place, free from frost, or cover them up heavily and entirely with earth until they are fully thawed out, when they can be unpacked and planted or placed in trenches until convenient to plant; treated in this way they will rarely be injured by freezing.

A TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF TREES OR PLANTS TO THE ACRE

Distance.	No. of trees.	Distance.	No. of trees.
1 foot apart each way.....	43,560	13 feet apart each way.....	257
2 feet apart each way.....	10,800	14 feet apart each way.....	222
3 feet apart each way.....	4,840	15 feet apart each way.....	193
4 feet apart each way.....	2,702	16 feet apart each way.....	170
5 feet apart each way.....	1,742	17 feet apart each way.....	150
6 feet apart each way.....	1,210	18 feet apart each way.....	134
7 feet apart each way.....	888	19 feet apart each way.....	120
8 feet apart each way.....	680	20 feet apart each way.....	108
9 feet apart each way.....	537	25 feet apart each way.....	69
10 feet apart each way.....	434	30 feet apart each way.....	48
11 feet apart each way.....	360	35 feet apart each way.....	35
12 feet apart each way.....	302	40 feet apart each way.....	28

RULE—Multiply the distance in feet between the rows by the distance the plants are apart in the rows, and the product will be the number of square feet for each plant or hill, which, divided into the number of feet in an acre (43,560), will give the number of plants or trees to the acre.

SUITABLE DISTANCES FOR PLANTING

Apples, Standard	30 to 40 feet	Grapes	8 to 10 feet
Apples, Dwarf	8 to 10 feet	Currants	3 to 4 feet
Pears, Standard	18 to 20 feet	Gooseberries	3 to 4 feet
Pears, Dwarf	10 feet	Raspberries, Red	3 to 4 feet
Peaches	16 to 18 feet	Raspberries, Black	4 to 5 feet
Nectarines and Apricots.....	16 to 18 feet	Blackberries	5 to 7 feet
Cherries, Sweet	18 to 20 feet	Strawberries, rows	1 by 3½ feet
Cherries, Sour	15 to 18 feet	Strawberries, in beds	1½ by 1½ feet
Plums	16 to 20 feet	Asparagus, in beds	1 by 1½ feet
Quinces	10 to 12 feet	Asparagus, in field	1 by 3 feet

FRUIT DEPARTMENT

APPLES

The Apple stands at the head of the list in importance of all fruits, both for general culture and for commercial purposes. Its seasons, unlike that of other fruits, extends nearly or quite through the year. By planting judicious selections of Summer, Autumn and Winter sorts, a constant succession can be obtained of this indispensable fruit for family use.

As it takes from five to seven years for an apple orchard to come to bearing, some persons hesitate to plant, regarding the time too long to wait. If apples are planted at the rate of fifty trees per acre, rows of peach trees can be planted between the apples, which, growing more quickly than the apple trees, soon protect them from the wind, and thus are a great benefit to them. After eight or ten years of productiveness, as the space is needed for apples, the peach trees may be removed, leaving the orchard better for the protection and at the same time having yielded the planter a large return for his trouble.

The Apple will thrive on any good, well-drained and well-cultivated soil, and no farm crop will produce and pay returns on the investment and care bestowed upon it as well as the apple orchard. The demand for apples in the market is steadily increasing and American apples are being sold the world over.

The varieties named here are those best adapted to this locality and regarded as most likely to produce the best results.

SUMMER APPLES

Carolina Red June—Tree moderate, upright grower, early and abundant bearer. Fruit small to medium, oblong; surface smooth; color dark red and white ground; flesh white, very tender, fine grained, juicy, acid. Quality good; use table and market. Season June and July.

Cooper's Early—Size medium, color pale yellow with faint blush on sunny side; flesh white, crisp, sprightly, mild acid, a good cooking variety; tree hardy, an early bearer and heavily productive.

Duchess of Oldenburg—A Russian apple of great value; tree moderate grower and hardy, fruit medium size; surface smooth, waxen yellow with stripes and splashes of red; flesh white, tender and juicy; sour and good for cooking. Season June and July.

Early Harvest—The most popular summer apple on our list; tree healthy, vigorous grower and good bearer; fruit medium size, nearly round, somewhat flattened; surface smooth, clear waxy yellow, rarely blushed; flesh tender, juicy, acid to sub-acid, flavor good; quality best, use table and kitchen. Season July.

Red Astrachan—Another Russian apple that has proved to be very popular with planters; tree vigorous, upright grower; hardy and productive; fruit medium to large; surface smooth, marbled and striped on greenish yellow, flavor acid, use kitchen and market.

Summer Queen—Tree vigorous, large spreading, productive; fruit medium, round, surface yellow, covered with mixed red and scarlet; flesh firm, yellow;

low; flavor acid, spicy; quality very good; use kitchen. Season July and August.

Sweet June—Tree strong, upright grower, very productive; fruit small to medium, round, greenish-yellow; flesh white or greenish-white, fine grained, tender; quality good; use table and kitchen. Season June and July.

Yellow Transparent—A Russian variety, new and promising in the North; tree hardy and moderately vigorous, an early and good bearer; fruit medium, smooth, skin clear white at first, becoming pale yellow when fully mature, often with a clear blush cheek; flesh white, tender, juicy, sub-acid; quality good. Season early in August

—Red Astrachan Apple.

—Yellow Transparent Apple.

FALL APPLES

Autumn Strawberry—Tree upright, thrifty grower; fruit medium, roundish, angular; surface smooth, waxy, yellow mixed and striped with scarlet; flesh yellow, tender, fine grained, very juicy; quality best, for dessert especially. Season August and September.

Bailey's Sweet—Fruit large, round, mottled and striped deep red; flesh yellow and tender, with a mild, rich, sweet flavor; quality best. Season September.

Fall Pippin—Tree strong grower, not an early bearer, moderately productive when old; fruit large, globular; surface smooth, rich yellow, sometimes blushed; flesh yellow, very fine grained; flavor acid; quality best.

Fameuse (Snow Apple)—Tree hardy, vigorous and productive; a fine apple of medium size, round, surface pale yellow nearly covered with red made up of stripes and splashes; flesh snowy white, tender, fine grained, juicy; flavor mild, sub-acid, very good.

Lowell—Tree strong, vigorous grower and good bearer; fruit large to very large, round; surface smooth, waxy yellow, not blushed, becoming greasy when kept indoors; flesh yellow, fine grained, juicy; flavor sub-acid; quality very good. Season August and September.

Maiden's Blush—Rather large, oblate, smooth, regular, with a fine, evenly shaded red cheek or blush on a clear, pale yellow ground; flesh white, tender, sprightly, with a pleasant sub-acid flavor; bears large crops. August and September.

Rambo.—Medium, yellowish, streaked with dull red and somewhat dotted; mild, tender and good; productive and vigorous. Season September to November.

WINTER APPLES

Arkansas Black—A beautiful apple; fruit is large and smooth, roundish; rich dark red; yellow flesh, juicy and good; a late keeper.

Ben Davis—Tree is thrifty, an upright grower of almost perfect shape. Fruit large, round, sometimes variable in form, surface smooth, often

polished, bright yellow covered with red and splashed; flesh white, tender, juicy; flavor sub-acid, not rich, quality only good; use market and cooking. Season November to spring.

Baldwin—Tree strong, thrifty grower; fruit large, round or somewhat flattened, sometimes irregular; surface smooth, yellow in shade, when exposed red; flesh yellow, juicy, rich; quality good; use table and cooking. Season October to December.

Bayard—Tree upright, vigorous grower; abundant and constant bearer; fruit large, round;

—Gano Apple.

—Grimes Golden Apple.

skin dark red with white dots; flesh white, fine grained, solid, crisp, juicy, with a refreshing vinous flavor. Season October to May.

Clayton—Large, yellow, striped, flesh yellow; sub-acid; favorite cooking apple. Season January to May.

Gano—It very much resembles Ben Davis, both in tree and fruit, but is superior. Tree is a good grower, an early and abundant bearer; fruit is large, smooth, dark red; flesh yellow, fine grained, sub-acid; a good shipper and keeper.

Gilpin, Little Red Romanite—Tree very strong grower with spreading, open top. Fruit medium to small, round flattened at the ends; surface smooth, deep red; flesh greenish yellow, firm, juicy; flavor rich, little if any acid; quality is good; one of the longest keepers. Season February to May.

Grimes Golden—One of the most popular apples in cultivation. Tree strong, thrifty grower, spreading branches; fruit medium or above, cylindrical, regular, surface yellow, russeted; flesh yellow, firm, very fine grained, juicy; flavor sub-acid, rich; quality best.

Huntsman—Tree very upright, thrifty grower and good bearer; fruit large; color a rich yellow when fully ripe; shape round, considerably flattened at the ends; flesh pale yellow and somewhat coarse, juicy and rich, acid, very good. Season November to March.

Ingram—A seedling of Rawles' Genet. Tree more upright, fruit medium size, roundish, inclined to conical, smooth, yellow ground, striped bright red; flesh

greenish yellow, delicate, tender, juicy, sub-acid. A late keeper.

Janet—Tree good grower, not so large as some; fruit medium, somewhat conical, regular; surface smooth, mixed and striped on yellow and green; flesh yellowish, crisp, fine grained, juicy; flavor sub-acid; quality good to very good. Season November to spring.

Jonathan—Tree rather slender growth and spreading habit; fruit medium, round or oblong, surface very smooth, deep, rich red; flesh whitish yellow, tender, very juicy; quality best. One of the most profitable market apples. Season October to November.

Mammoth Blacktwig—Originated in Tennessee. Tree a fine upright spreading grower, bears large crops and holds its fruit well; the fruit is fully one-fourth larger than the Winesap, which it resembles very much in color, flavor and keeping qualities. November to April.

Mann—Tree strong and upright grower; fruit medium to large, roundish, oblate; skin deep yellow when fully ripe, often with a shade of brownish red; flesh yellowish, juicy, mild, pleasant, sub-acid.

Milam—Tree moderate grower, annually productive and an early bearer; fruit medium, conical, regular; surface smooth, yellow covered with marbled red; flesh white, tender, juicy; flavor sub-acid and refreshing; quality good. Season October to December.

Minkler—Fruit medium, roundish, oblate, slightly conical, pale greenish yellow, striped and splashed with two shades of red; flesh yellowish, compact, moderately juicy, mild,

—Jonathan Apple.

—Stayman Winesap Apple.

pleasant, sub-acid; tree irregular grower; season January to April.

Missouri Pippin—Tree strong upright grower and great and early bearer, the branches frequently breaking down under the burden of fruit; fruit medium or above in size, rich, bright red striped and splashed, over yellow ground; large, oblong, flattened at the ends; flesh yellow, flavor acid; quality good. Season November till spring.

Northern Spy—Tree strong upright grower, does not bear young; a good bearer when old; fruit large, roundish, sometimes angular; surface smooth; yellow, mixed and splashed with crimson; flesh yellowish white, breaking, juicy; flavor acid, rich; quality best. Season September to November. North and East is one of the best winter apples.

Rhode Island Greening—Tree strong grower, crooked, spreading, productive. Fruit large, varying in shape from round to flat, surface somewhat rough and russeted; color dull green, becoming yellow at maturity; flesh very yellow, juicy with rich acid flavor; quality very good. Season September to November.

Roman Stem—Tree moderate grower and productive. Fruit medium, globular; surface smooth, yellow, sometimes blushed; flesh yellowish white, fine grained and juicy; flavor mild, sub-acid, rich; quality very good. Season October to December.

Rome Beauty—Tree thrifty upright grower. Fruit is

large to very large, roundish oblate, sometimes conical; surface smooth, pale yellow, striped and mixed with red; flavor sub-acid, not rich; quality good; desirable market fruit on account of its productiveness and fine appearance. Season November to January.

Smith's Cider—Tree strong grower and hardy; fruit medium, round, sometimes lop-sided; surface smooth, pale yellow, covered with mixed light red, splashed with carmine; flesh white, juicy; flavor acid, not rich. Good for cooking.

Stayman Winesap—Originated on the grounds of Dr. Stayman, Leavenworth, Kansas; tree hardy, vigorous, spreading, irregular, tough, wiry, droops like a weeping willow with loads of fruit, never breaking a limb; an early bearer and very productive; fruit medium size, round, approaching conic; skin smooth, greenish yellow, splashed and striped with red and purple, covered with a white bloom, dots small, gray, scattered; flesh yellow, firm, tender, juicy, rich, mild, sub-acid, aromatic, quality best. Season January to May.

Tallman Sweet—Tree hardy and strong grower; fruit medium, nearly round, somewhat flattened; surface smooth yellow; flavor sweet, rich; flesh yellow and firm. Season October to December.

Walbridge—Tree strong grower and productive, highly prized farther north for its extreme hardiness; fruit medium size, color pale yellow shaded with red; flesh crisp, tender and juicy; quality good. Season December to spring.

Wealthy—Another tree highly valued for its extreme hardiness at the far North; tree

—Winter Banana Apple.

—York Imperial Apple.

thrifty grower and good bearer; fruit medium, roundish; skin smooth, oily, mostly covered with dark red; flesh white, fine grained, juicy, sub-acid, good. November-January

White Winter Pearmain—Tree moderate grower, with spreading top; fruit medium, handsome when fair, but sometimes scabs badly; surface smooth, yellow, sometimes bronzed; flesh yellow, fine grained, tender juicy; flavor mild, sub-acid, very rich; quality best. Season November to January.

Willow Twig—Tree good grower and good bearer; fruit globular; surface smooth, dull, greenish yellow, marbled and striped dull red; flesh greenish yellow, juicy; flavor acid; quality only good. Season November to spring.

Winesap—An old favorite, one of the best; tree vigorous grower with spreading top; fruit medium, conical; surface smooth, bright or dark red on yellow ground; flavor rich, acid to sub-acid; very desirable on account of its great productiveness and generally excellent quality.

Winter Banana—Has a delightful banana perfume; fruit keeps well till spring; the color is a striking red blush on a deep yellow ground; it is large size and very showy in appearance, roundish, inclining to conical; best quality.

Wolf River—An apple peculiarly adapted to the West on account of its extreme hardness; very large and handsome, flesh whitish, breaking, pleasant and sub-acid. A good bearer. Season November to December.

York Imperial—Generally known and popular with many of our most experienced orchardists; tree moderate grower and productive; fruit large, top-sided; surface smooth; color mixed, bright red on yellow ground; flesh yellowish, tender and juicy; flavor mild, sub-acid; quality very good. Season November till spring.

CRAB APPLES

The introduction of improved varieties of this beautiful fruit has made the planting of a few trees very desirable for every family. They are universally desired for cooking, preserving and are especially valuable for cider.

Besides being useful, they are also very ornamental when in bloom, and also when loaded with their highly colored fruits

Florence—Tree hardy, a good grower and productive; fruit large; flesh yellow, acid, good for cooking and jelly.

Hyslop—Tree is a moderate grower, making a beautifully shaped, thrifty tree; bears young. Fruit large, nearly round, flattened at the ends; skin smooth; color dark rich red on yellow ground; flavor very good. One of the most beautiful fruits grown.

John's Crab—A good grower, hardy, very productive; fruit large to very large; in shape very much like the Jonathan apple; color a rich dark red; flavor excellent; a good fruit to eat out of the hand. The best crab we know. Season September to November.

Martha—A seedling of Duchess of Oldenburg, which originated in Minnesota. Earlier than the Transcendent; very ornamental as well as a fine fruit; bears in profusion every year. Season September and October.

—Transcendent Crab Apple.

Quaker Beauty—Tree one of the strongest growers; good bearer; quality good. Season October to January.

Transcendant—Tree strong grower, making a large, beautiful tree, and an early and abundant bearer; fruit large, round, skin smooth; color rich yellow, shaded with red; valuable

for preserving and cooking. Season August and September.

Whitney's No. 20—Tree thrifty, upright grower. Fruit large; skin smooth, striped and splashed with carmine; flesh firm, juicy and pleasant flavor. Season August. A productive bearer and considered one of the best.

PEARS

The cultivation of this noble fruit is rapidly extending as its value is appreciated. The range of varieties is such that, like apples, they can be had in good eating condition from August until early spring. The melting, juicy texture, the refined flavor, and the delicate aroma of the Pear give it rank above all other fruits except the grape. There seems to be but one drawback to the profitable cultivation of the Pear, either as standard or dwarf, and that is the "blight" which brings ruin to so many trees, and for which there is no known remedy.

But the good prices and productive habits of the trees, their comparative freedom from other diseases and from insect enemies, make the Pear a desirable fruit to plant in a moderate way for market; and the high quality and many ways in which it can be used, make the planting of a liberal supply for home use scarcely less than a necessity. Standard trees are budded or grafted on seedling pear roots; dwarf trees are budded on Angers Quince roots.

—Duchess d'Angouleme Pear.

autumn pears at least two weeks before, and winter varieties before there is any danger of injury from frost.

THINNING THE FRUIT—When the trees are heavily laden the fruit should be thinned when about one-third grown, else the fruit will be poor and the trees injured.

The letters "D" and "S" used in the descriptions of varieties, indicate favorable growth, either as "Dwarfs" or "Standards," or both.

Bartlett (S. and D.)—An old favorite, more generally known and highly esteemed than any other sort. Tree thrifty, upright grower; fruit large, irregular pyramidal; skin thin and smooth, clear yellow, sometimes with a faint blush on the sunny side; flesh white, fine grained, buttery, juicy, sweet; quality best. August and September.

Beurre de Anjou (S. and D.)—Tree good grower and bearer; fruit large, obtusely pyriform, sometimes nearly round; skin greenish, sprinkled with russet, sometimes shaded with dull crimson; flesh whitish, melting, juicy. September to November.

Clapp's Favorite (S. and D.)—A splendid pear, resembling Bartlett, ripening a few days

STANDARD PEARS—Should be planted twenty to twenty-five feet apart. They will grow on almost any soil, provided the sub-soil is not too wet. Whenever this is the case the ground should be thoroughly underdrained. In very poor soil, a moderate top dressing of manure in the fall will be of advantage. When a tree is assailed by blight, cut off the part affected several inches below all appearance of the disease.

DWARF PEARS—Should be planted about eight or ten feet apart. They should be set so deep that the joint where the pear is united to the quince will be at least two inches below the top of the ground. At the time of planting and every spring thereafter they should be thoroughly pruned, shortening in the current year's growth about one-half, aiming to form a round and well proportioned head. The ground should be well cultivated and enriched by top dressing of manure in the autumn, and well mulched in the spring.

GATHERING PEARS—In order to retain the juice and best flavor, summer pears should be gathered at least ten days before they are ripe, and

—Kieffer Pear.

earlier; a cross between that variety and Flemish Beauty. Fruit large; color yellowish green, marbled with red in the sun; vinous, melting, rich. One of the best summer pears. August.

Duchess d'Angouleme (D.)—Sometimes planted as a standard, but an especial favorite as a dwarf. Tree vigorous and productive; fruit of the largest size, with an uneven, somewhat knobby surface; skin dull greenish yellow; a good deal streaked and spotted with russet; flesh white, buttery and very juicy, with a rich, excellent flavor. September and October.

Flemish Beauty (S)—Tree generally preferred as a standard; fruit large, skin a little rough, pale yellow mostly covered with patches of russet, becoming reddish-brown at maturity on the sunny side; flesh yellowish white, juicy and rich. One of the best. September.

Garber (S.)—Is kin to and very much like Kieffer, but is larger, of better quality, and ripens two or three weeks earlier; is as yellow as an orange; immensely productive; bears at three years from the nursery. A valuable market fruit.

Howell (S. and D.)—Tree is a strong, free grower; fruit above medium size; skin light waxen yellow, often with a finely shaded cheek; flesh

white, rather coarse, with a rich aromatic flavor. August and September.

Kieffer (S.)—Tree one of the strongest growers, with rich, glossy foliage; is not recommended as a dwarf, but is highly recommended as less subject to blight than most others, though not in all cases free from blight. The Kieffer, by its good qualities of tree and fruit, has pushed its way to the front, so that today it is regarded as one of the most valuable kinds. Fruit large, golden yellow, blushed with red in the sun; flesh slightly coarse, juicy, melting. Tree a great bearer; fruit especially valuable for cooking and market.

Koonce (S.)—Medium to large, very handsome, surface yellow, one side covered with bright carmine, dotted with brown; very early, quality good, spicy, juicy, sweet.

Lawrence (S.)—Tree a moderate growth; early and good bearer; fruit medium size, obtuse pyriform; skin fine, light yellow, very thickly covered with minute brown dots; flesh whitish, somewhat buttery, with rich, aromatic flavor. One of the best early winter pears. October to December.

Lawson (Comet) (D. and S.)—Fruit large for so early a pear; sufficiently firm to insure its being a good shipper; of brilliant crimson color on yellow ground; flesh crisp, juicy and pleasant, yet like many of our most popular market fruits, not of highest quality, but what it lacks in flavor is offset by its charming exterior. July.

LeConte (S.)—Highly recommended; flesh melting, sweet, juicy and aromatic; good sort for the South. Ripens about with Bartlett.

Louise Bonne de Jersey (D.)—Tree especially desirable as a dwarf; vigorous grower, very productive; fruit medium size, pyriform, somewhat one-sided; skin smooth, glossy, pale green in shade, but brownish red in the sun; flesh greenish white, very juicy with a rich, excellent flavor. September.

Seckel (S. and D.)—Tree a moderate grower, said to be less subject to blight than most

—Garber Pear.

varieties; fruit small to medium; regularly formed; skin dull yellowish brown, with lively red cheek; flesh whitish, buttery, very juicy and melting with a peculiarly rich, spicy flavor; a regular and abundant bearer. August to October.

Sheldon (S.)—Tree moderate grower and good bearer; fruit medium size or above, roundish oval; skin yellow or greenish russet with a richly shaded cheek; flesh melting, juicy, with brisk, vinous flavor. September-October.

Vermont Beauty (S.)—Tree hardy and vigorous; early and abundant bearer; fruit medium, yellow with a bright red cheek; flesh melting, juicy, sprightly and of best quality. September.

Wilder (S.)—Size medium; greenish yellow with a brownish red cheek and numerous dots; flesh white, fine grained, melting, excellent; about three weeks earlier than the Bartlett.

CHERRIES

Cherry culture has been a success when proper attention has been given to the selection of varieties and their culture. The hardy, thrifty varieties of the Morello type may be freely planted with confidence of profitable results. The cherry tree should be planted in a naturally dry soil or the soil should be well drained so water may not remain near the roots for any considerable time. Cherries are now generally worked on Mahaleb, a stock that does not throw up sprouts from the roots.

—Early Richmond Cherry.

Baldwin—Tree an upright, vigorous grower, forming round head; leaves large and broad; bloom pure white, changing to pink; fruit large, almost round, very dark transparent wine color; flavor slightly acid, yet the sweetest and richest of the Morello type; stems rather large, of medium length and generally in pairs.

Black Tartarian—Very large, bright purplish black; half tender, juicy, very rich, excellent flavor, productive. Free. Ripens first to middle of July.

Dyehouse—This variety partakes both of the Morello and Duke, wood and fruit; a very early and sure bearer; ripens a week before Early Richmond; of better quality and quite as productive. Free. May-June.

Early Richmond—Everywhere the most popular; tree strong, thrifty grower, making a large symmetrical head; fruit medium size, dark red, melting, juicy, sprightly acid flavor and especially valuable for cooking purposes; tree an early and abundant bearer. Season last of May and first of June.

English Morello—Tree moderate grower; hardy, great and early bearer. The most valuable of the late varieties; fruit large, round, skin dark red, becoming nearly black when fully ripe; flesh dark red, tender, juicy, and of a pleasant sub-acid flavor when fully ripe. Season July.

Governor Wood—One of the best of all varieties of the sweet cherries. Tree makes a fairly healthy growth; fruit large, rich, light yellow with a red cheek; juicy and sweet.

May Duke—One of the best of cherries, and one of the most popular among experienced fruit growers in Kansas; fruit roundish, obtuse, heart-shaped, growing in clusters, and when fully ripe of a rich dark red; flesh reddish, tender and melting, very juicy and when fully ripe of a rich, excellent flavor. Season May and first of June.

Montmorency—This is a cherry of Early Richmond class, somewhat larger and about ten days later; a strong upright growing tree and good bearer, and is by experienced horticulturists considered one of the most valuable varieties.

Olivet—Fruit large, globular, a shiny deep red sort; ripens early in June, and retains its excellence longer than most others.

Ostheim—A perfectly hardy, very late blooming cherry from Germany. Immensely productive; fruit heart-shaped, nearly black when ripe; juicy and rich. Has been tried in

Wragg—Originated in Iowa. Medium to large in size, long stem, dark purple when fully ripe. A variety well adapted to the high

latitude and prairie regions of the northwest. the West and succeeds. Valuable late cherry. July.

PLUMS

The Plum tree, like the Pear and other finer fruits, attains its greatest perfection on heavy clay soil, being entirely free from disease. The curculio, a small dark brown beetle, often stings the fruit, causing it to drop off; but proper spraying will secure a crop of this splendid fruit everywhere. The demand for Plums is constantly increasing and they can be grown with much profit. For home use the fruit should be allowed to remain on the trees until fully ripe, but for shipping they must be picked earlier.

There are several distinct classes of Plums and a long list of varieties, but we mention here only the best of each class, and such as we think will give the planter the best returns.

EUROPEAN VARIETIES

Bradshaw—Fruit very large; dark violet red; flesh yellowish green; juicy and pleasant, productive; vigorous. Middle of August.

Coe's Golden Drop—Large and handsome; light yellow; firm, rich and sweet; one of the best late plums; moderate. September.

Fellenburg (Italian Prune)—A fine late plum, oval, purple; flesh juicy and delicious; parts from the stone; fine for drying; tree very productive; free. September.

German Prune—A large, long, oval variety; much esteemed for drying; color dark purple; of very agreeable flavor; vigorous. September.

Gueii—Large, oval; dark purple; flesh firm, but a little coarse; sub-acid. A valuable sort for cooking and market.

Imperial Gage—Rather large, oval; greenish, flesh juicy, rich and delicious; tree a vigorous grower and very productive. One of the best Plums of its class.

Lombard—Perhaps the best of the European varieties now in cultivation; tree vigorous, hardy and productive; fruit of medium size, roundish, oval, slightly flattened at the ends; skin delicate violet red, paler in shade; flesh deep yellow, juicy and pleasant. Season August.

Moore's Arctic—Originated in Maine, and celebrated for its remarkable hardiness, great bearing qualities and freedom from curculio; fruit grows in large clusters, large, dark purple; flavor very fine, both for preserving and dessert. A long keeper.

Pond's Seedling (Hungarian Prune)—Very large, dark red; juicy, sweet; very productive; good shipper. A profitable variety for both home and distant markets. Ripens in September.

Reine Claude—Greenish yellow; flesh a pale green; firm, juicy, sugary and of fine qual-

—Shropshire Damson Plum.

ity. A very productive variety. Season August.

Shipper's Pride—This plum originated in north-western New York, near the shore of Lake Ontario and has never been known to freeze back a particle in the severest winters. Size large, color dark purple, flesh firm and excellent quality. First of September.

Shropshire Damson—A plum of fine quality; rich dark purple; flesh amber colored; juicy and sprightly; very productive. Ripens in September.

Yellow Egg—A large and beautiful egg-shaped yellow plum; a little coarse, but excellent for cooking; tree a free grower and very productive. Season August.

NATIVE VARIETIES

DeSoto—Medium, bright red, sweet, rich, of fine quality. Extremely hardy and productive.

Mariana—Fruit large, round, has a singularly rich red color and most magnificent appearance; is not easily blown off by winds; skin rather thick, stone small, quality excellent; good for shipping and market. July. Free. A good grower.

Pottawatomie—Perfectly hardy and an immense early annual bearer; fruit is yellow, overspread with a bright pink and prominent white dots; flesh yellow, luscious, good. Ripens in July.

Weaver—Fruit large, purple with blue bloom, of good quality; a constant and regular bearer; tree hardy and thrifty grower.

Wild Goose—The most popular of plums with some fruit growers; tree a vigorous upright grower; fruit medium to large, rich golden yellow, richly shaded with red; flesh yellow, juicy; flavor rich and good.

Wolf—Fruit nearly as large as Lombard and a perfect freestone; quality superb for cooking and for serving with sugar; tree a good grower, hardy and is becoming very popular wherever known, promising to lead all other plums. August.

—Burbank Plum.

JAPAN VARIETIES

A unique class of plums, of great beauty and productiveness. The fruit is exquisitely perfumed, with a charmingly attractive bloom. Trees are exceedingly ornamental, with smooth branches and rich, light green foliage, and quite distinct from other varieties, early and prolific bearers. The flesh is so firm and meaty that they can be safely shipped long distances, and kept for a long time in excellent condition.

Abundance—One of the best of the Japan plums; tree a strong grower and an early and abundant bearer; fruit large and handsome; oblong, tapering to the point, skin bright cherry red, with a heavy bloom; flesh is orange yellow, melting, rich and highly perfumed. July.

Burbank—The best of all Japan sorts of plums; nearly globular, clear cherry red with a thin lilac bloom. The flesh is a deep yellow color, very sweet, with a peculiar and very agreeable flavor; tree vigorous, with strong upright shoots, large broad leaves; commences to bear usually at two years. It blooms late and consequently is more likely to escape the late spring frost.

—German Prune.

Prunus Simoni — This remarkable plum came from Northern China; fruit large, cinnamon red color, the flesh is firm, rich, sweet, aromatic and delicious flavor; tree an upright grower, long, hanging leaves, distinct. July.

Red June—Fruit medium size, bright red; one of the best of the early plums.

Satsuma Blood—A fine large plum of the Oriental class; flesh solid, of a purplish crimson color from pit to skin, juicy and of fine quality; pit exceedingly small, very little larger than a cherry stone; tree a strong vigorous grower.

Wickson—Tree a strong upright grower and very productive; fruit large, handsome, deep maroon red, with a white bloom; stone very small; flesh fine, sugary and delicious.

—Champion Peach.

PEACHES

Peach trees should be planted 16 or 18 feet apart. To secure healthy, vigorous and fruitful trees and fine fruit, the following points should be well attended to: (1) Keep the ground clean and mellow; (2) Keep the heads low—the trunk should not exceed 3 feet in height; (3) Give them an occasional dressing of wood ashes; soap suds also are good; (4) Prune every spring, shortening the shoots of the previous year's growth. This keeps the head round, full and well furnished with bearing wood. Cut weak shoots back about one-half, and strong ones about one-third, but see that there is left sufficient supply of fruit buds. Sickly and superfluous shoots should be cut out clean. The fruit is born on wood of last season's growth, hence the necessity of keeping up a good supply of vigorous annual shoots all over the tree. Young trees should be well mulched every spring.

—Elberta Peach.

Arkansas Traveler—Said to ripen earlier than Amsden, of which it is a seedling. Fully equal to it in every respect.

Alexander — Large, well-grown specimens measuring 8 inches in circumference; handsome and regular in form, with deep maroon shade, covered with the richest tint of crimson; rich and good in quality, with a vinous flavor; adheres to stone; should remain on tree until fully ripe. Late June.

Amsden—Fruit medium size, color red, beautifully shaded and mottled with a very dark red, nearly covering the greenish white ground; flesh white, with a delicious flavor when ripened on the tree. June 15 to 30.

Blood Cling—A variety of the old Indian peach. Fruit very large, form nearly round, skin dark purplish red, flesh very red; juicy and good. September and October.

Bokara—Raised from seed received from Bokara, Asia. The hardest peach known; has been in bearing for several years in

central Iowa, and produced fruit after 28 degrees below zero. Fruit measured over 7 inches in circumference. Yellow, with red cheek; skin tough, flesh of good quality, a perfect freestone. Prof. Budd says: "They are 30 per cent hardier than the old strain of peaches."

Carman—Large, resembles Elberta in shape; color cream-white or pale yellow with deep blush; skin very tough, flesh tender, fine flavor and quite juicy; ripens with Early Rivers; one of the hardiest in bud, in shipping qualities and freedom from rot unsurpassed. Promises to stand at the head for a general long distance profitable market variety, in quality ranking superior to anything ripening at the same time. August.

Champion—Fruit large, beautiful in appearance; flavor delicious, sweet, rich and juicy; skin creamy white, with red cheek; freestone. The peculiarity of this great acquisition is its hardiness. It stood a temperature of 18 degrees below zero in the winter of 1887-8, and produced an abundant crop the following season; and again in 1890 produced a full crop, when the peach crop was a universal failure. Aug. 15.

Crawford's Early—This beautiful yellow peach is highly esteemed for market purposes. Fruit very large, oblong; skin yellow, with fine red cheek; flesh yellow, juicy, sweet and excellent; productive, free. July 15th.

Crawford's Late—Fruit of the largest size; skin yellow, or greenish yellow, with dull red cheek; flesh yellow; productive; one of the best; free. Late August and September.

Crosby—Medium size, roundish, with distinct seam on blossom end; skin light golden yellow and very downy; flesh bright yellow and

—Salway Peach.

rather firm. Ripens between Early and Late Crawford. Tree of rather dwarfish habit. Has won special favor on account of great hardiness. A recent introduction, that has attracted very wide attention on account of its disposition to produce good crops in "off years," when other varieties usually fail.

Early Rivers—Large, light straw color, with delicate pink cheek; flesh juicy and melting, with very rich flavor. First of July.

Early York—Large, white, with red cheek, fine grained, very juicy, rich and delicious; vigorous and productive; one of the best; free. First of August.

Elberta—Very large and well colored; all things considered, the finest yellow freestone in cultivation; no one can go amiss by planting it. Fruit perfectly free from rot; one of the most successful shipping varieties. August 20.

Family Favorite—Free; seedling of Chinese Cling, of better color; clear, waxen complexion, with blush; large, firm, valuable for shipping, canning or drying; prolific. Late July.

Fitzgerald—Originated on the north shore of Lake Ontario and in that cold region the original tree bore five successive crops. Tree will bear the second year from planting. The fruit is large, skin bright yellow, suffused with red, flesh deep yellow and of the best quality; seed very small. Freestone. July 20th.

Foster—Large, deep orange red, becoming very dark red on the sunny side; flesh yellow, very rich and juicy, with sub-acid flavor; earlier than Early Crawford; very handsome. Free.

Globe—An improvement on Crawford's Late; fruit large, globular, of a rich golden yellow with a red blush; flesh yellow, juicy. August.

—Heath Cling Peach.

Greensboro—Origin, North Carolina. Ripens with Alexander, but much larger; round; flesh white, very juicy, of good quality; bright red over yellow, highly colored in the sun. A promising market variety.

Hale's Early—Fruit medium size; skin clear, smooth, white, delicately marbled with bright and dark red on the sunny side; flesh very melting, juicy and highly flavored. July 10th to 20th.

Heath Cling—Large, oblong, creamy white, slightly tinged with red in the sun; very tender, juicy, melting; very rich and luscious. September 15th.

Lemon Cling—Large, oblong, having a swollen point, similar to a lemon; skin yellow, with red cheek; flesh yellow, firm, juicy and sweet; tree a fine grower. August.

Lemon Free—Almost lemon shape and pointed at the apex, color a pale yellow when ripe; it is of large size, the finest specimens measuring over twelve inches in circumference, of excellent quality; ripens after the Late Crawford; is immensely productive.

Mayflower—The earliest peach known. Large size, bright red all over and fine flavor. Tree is a strong, thrifty grower and very productive, so that to secure the best results the fruit must be thinned. A good shipper and a valuable market variety.

Mountain Rose—Large, red; flesh white, rich, juicy, excellent; one of the best early peaches, ripening with Hale's Early, and much larger and finer than that variety; should be in every collection. July.

Old Mixon Cling—Large, pale yellow, with red cheek; juicy, rich and highly flavored; one of the best cling-stone peaches. August 20th.

Old Mixon Free—Large, pale yellow, with red cheek; rich and good, one of the best. August.

Salway—Fruit large, roundish, deep yellow, with a deep marbled brownish red cheek; flesh yellow, firm, juicy, rich and sugary; a late showy market sort; free. Last of September.

Smock—Fruit large, oval, skin orange yellow, mottled with red, a good market sort. September 15th.

Sneed—The most remarkable early peach yet

introduced; it ripens a week to ten days earlier than Alexander, belongs to an entirely different type from Alexander and Hale's Early; it is very distinct in tree and fruit, belonging to the Chinese Cling type; size medium, color white, with flush on cheek.

Stump the World—Very large, roundish; skin white, with a bright red cheek; flesh white, juicy and good. Last of September.

Triumph—Earliest yellow flesh peach, with good eating and shipping qualities. Ripens with Alexander, blooms late; sure and abundant bearer; strong, vigorous grower. Fruit good size, yellow, with red and crimson cheek.

Wager—Very large, more or less colored on sunny side; juicy and of fine flavor; free. First to middle of August.

Wonderful—Originated in New Jersey, large,

—Early Crawford Peach.

uniform in shape and size. color rich golden yellow, overspread with carmine and crimson; flesh yellow, highly flavored and firm, bright red at pit, which is small and parts freely from the flesh. Ripe in October and keeps well.

APRICOTS

A delicious fruit of the plum species, valuable for its earliness. It is liable to be attacked by curculio, and requires the same treatment as the plum; it bears immense crops; ripens in July and August.

Alexander—An immense bearer; fruit of large size, oblong, yellow flecked with red, flavor sweet and delicious; tree hardy; one of the best. July 1st.

Alexis—Large to very large; yellow with red cheek; slightly acid, but rich and luscious; tree hardy and an abundant bearer. Ripens July 15th.

Early Golden—Small, color pale orange; it is juicy and sweet; as hardy as the Russian apricot, and productive; vigorous. Ripens first of July.

Gibb—Medium size; yellow, sub-acid, rich and juicy; the best early sort, ripening with the strawberry.

Harris—A new variety, recommended for its good bearing qualities and extreme hardiness. It was brought into notice by orchardists at Geneva N. Y., who prize it highly as a market variety. It is equal in size and quality to the best cultivated sorts, and should take the place of the Russian Apricot.

J. L. Budd—Of large size; white, with red cheek; flavor sweet, juicy, extra fine; a hardy, strong grower and profuse bearer; the best late variety. August 1.

Mason—Tree a good grower and productive; fruit large, sweet and very fine. We plant it in preference to all others.

Moorpark—One of the largest; orange, with a red cheek; firm, juicy, with a rich flavor; very productive; vigorous. July.

Superb—Medium size, roundish-oval, smooth, light salmon with numerous red or russet dots; flesh yellow, firm, sub-acid and good; tree hardy and productive.

QUINCES

The Quince is, of late, attracting a great deal of attention as a market fruit. The tree is hardy and compact in growth, requiring but little space; productive, gives regular crops and comes early into bearing. The fruit is much sought after for canning for winter use. When put up in the proportion of about one quart of quinces to four of other fruit, it imparts to them a most delicious flavor. It flourishes in any good garden soil, which should be kept mellow and well enriched. Prune all the dead and surplus branches, and thin out the fruit if bearing too freely.

—Moorpark Apricots.

Missouri Mammoth—The largest Quince in cultivation. Brought into notice in the vicinity of Kansas City, Mo., where it is fruited extensively, and is attracting great attention on account of its being large in size, perfect in shape, very rich and aromatic; tree vigorous, productive, early bearer, free from blight.

NECTARINES

A most delicious, smooth-skinned fruit, which thrives wherever peaches will grow, but it is liable to be stung by the curculio, and requires the same treatment as plums.

Boston—Large, deep yellow, with a bright blush and mottlings of red, sweet and peculiar pleasant flavor; freestone; the largest and most beautiful variety known; hardy and productive; vigorous. August.

MULBERRIES

Downing's Everbearing—Color blue-black; flesh juicy, rich sugary, with a sprightly, vinous flavor; tree ornamental as well as fruitful.

Hick's Everbearing—Wonderfully prolific. Said to be superior to Downing.

New American—Fruit of the largest size; black, delicious in flavor; an attractive lawn tree, with very large leaves; of rapid growth; hardy.

Russian—This makes a good shade and ornamental tree; growing full and symmetrical; holding its leaves late in the autumn. It is a

Apple or Orange—Large, roundish; bright golden yellow; cooks tender and is of very excellent flavor. Valuable for preserves or flavoring; very productive; the most popular and extensively cultivated variety. October.

Champion—The tree is a strong grower, a prolific and constant bearer, the fruit averaging larger than the Orange; more oval in shape; quality is equally as fine and a longer keeper.

very rapid grower, bears fruit at two or three years of age, and every year. Color of the fruit varies some, but is generally black; very valuable.

CHESTNUT

American Sweet

Among our large collection of ornamental native forest trees the Chestnut is unrivaled for beauty. When grown in the open ground it assumes an elegant symmetrical form. The foliage is rich, glossy and healthy, and the whole tree is covered in early summer with long, pendent, tassel-like blossoms. It is especially desirable for its nuts, which it bears profusely a few years after transplanting. The Chestnut thrives well in any soil except a wet one. When nursery-grown, bears transplanting well, and once established grows rapidly and soon comes into bearing.

GRAPES

Too much cannot be said in praise of the Grape. It is one of the best and most popular fruits, delicious for eating, especially desirable for cooking and preserving, and everywhere in large demand.

The vine comes quickly into bearing, yielding fruit usually the second year after planting, requires but little space, and when properly trained, is an ornament to the yard, garden or vineyard.

Work the ground deep for grape vines, and plant a little deeper than they were in the

—Brighton Grape.

nursery. Make the rows 8 feet apart and plant the vines 6 to 8 feet apart in the rows.

BLACK GRAPES

Campbell's Early—Cluster large, shouldered, moderate compact; stem large, long and strong; berry large, nearly round, slightly elongated; black, with profuse light blue bloom; skin thin, with slight pulpiness; flesh translucent, very tender and very juicy; flavor sweet; aroma delicate, not foxy; quality best for both market and dessert. Season early.

Concord—A most popular variety, universally healthy, vigorous and productive; flesh somewhat buttery, moderately juicy and sweet; bunch large, nearly black, with bloom; early.

Ive's Seedling—Vine healthy, strong grower; fruit bunch medium to large; flesh sweet and juicy, but foxy and puffy; a desirable market grape on account of its good keeping qualities; it colors early, but ripens later than the Concord.

Moore's Early—Seedling of Concord, combining the vigor, health and productiveness of Concord, and ten days earlier; in quality hardly to be distinguished from Concord. A valuable acquisition. Bunch large, berries very large, black.

Worden—Seedling of Concord, which it greatly resembles in appearance and flavor; but the berries are larger. The fruit is said to be better flavored, and to ripen several days earlier. These qualities give it the foremost rank among the native Grapes.

RED GRAPES

Agawam—Large, round, early and of great vigor of growth; rich, high, peculiar aromatic flavor. Considered by Mr. Rogers as the best of his strictly red hybrids.

—Niagara Grape.

Brighton—A cross between the Concord and Diana Hamburg; bunches large, berries of medium size, flesh sweet, tender and of the highest quality. Ripens early.

Catawba—Well known as the great wine grape of Ohio, Kentucky, etc., bunches large and loose, berries large, of a coppery-red color, becoming purplish when well ripened; where not subject to rot, holds its own as one of the best varieties.

Delaware—Holds its own as one of the finest grapes. Bunches small, compact, shouldered; berries rather small, round; skin thin, light red; flesh very juicy without any hard pulp, with an exceedingly sweet, spicy and delicious flavor; vines moderately vigorous, very hardy and productive; ripens before Concord.

Salem—Bunches large and compact; berries large, round; flesh tender, juicy, sprightly, sweet and good; ripens soon after Delaware.

Woodruff—Very hardy, rank grower, and very healthy; the fruit is large in bunch and berry; attractive, shouldered, sweet and of fair quality. Desirable as a market variety; ripens soon after Concord.

WHITE GRAPES

Moore's Diamond—The vine is a good grower, free from mildew, productive, bunches large and compact; color a yellowish green; berries juicy, tender, good.

—Moore's Early Grape.

—Campbell's Early Grape.

Martha—A seedling from the Concord, which it resembles in growth and hardiness; bunch of good size and berry large, of pale green or light color; sweet, juicy, sprightly; ripens with Concord.

Niagara—Bunch medium to large, compact, sometimes shouldered; berries large, roundish, uniform; skin thin but pale yellow when fully ripe, with a tough, pale green at first, changing to thin whitish bloom; flesh slightly pulpy, tender, sweet before it is fully ripe; vine vigorous, healthy and productive; ripens with the Concord.

Pocklington—The vine is thoroughly hardy, both in wood and foliage; a strong grower, never mildews in vine or foliage; called a white grape, but the fruit is light yellow, clear, juicy and sweet to the center, with little or no pulp; bunches very large; sometimes shouldered; berries round and very large and thickly set; quality, when fully ripe, superior to the Concord; ripens with the Concord.

No fruit land or plot of ground should be permitted to be devoid of at least a grape arbor. The luscious grape richly rewards for the space given over to it.

GOOSEBERRIES

In order to produce large, abundant crops of Gooseberries it is necessary to manure heavily and prune closely. The English varieties do not require much pruning. Mildew is prevented by close planting and heavy mulching. Plant 3 to 4 feet apart each way.

—Downing Gooseberry.

Downing—Fruit larger than the Houghton; roundish, light green with distinct veins, skin smooth, flesh rather soft, juicy and very good; very valuable.

Industry—The best English Gooseberry yet introduced; of vigorous, upright growth, and greater cropper than any known variety, and less subject to mildew than any other English sorts; berries of the largest size, of most

excellent flavor, both pleasant and rich; color when fully ripe, dark red.

Houghton—A medium sized American variety, which bears abundant and regular crops, and never mildews; fruit smooth, red, tender and very good; very valuable.

Pearl—Native American seedling; has a vigorous, healthy bush, free from mildew and very productive; berries larger than the Downing; rich and sweet.

Joselyn—A purely American variety rivaling the foreign sorts in size. A strong, thrifty grower, entirely free from mildew, very hardy and exceedingly productive. Berries large, smooth, a beautiful ruby red, fine flavor.

Smith's Improved—Large, oval, light green, with bloom; flesh moderately firm, sweet and good; vigorous grower.

—Pearl Gooseberries.

CURRANTS

No garden for home use is complete without Currants. They flourish in almost every kind of soil, but to have the fruit in perfection, plant in rich, deep soil and give good annual pruning and cultivation. They ripen just at the close of the Raspberry season and continue in prime condition for several weeks.

Cherry—The largest of all the red currants. Berries sometimes more than half an inch in diameter; bunches short; plant very vigorous and productive when grown on good soils and well cultivated.

Crandall—A native black seedling of the Western wild currant; wonderfully productive, a strong, vigorous grower, usually producing a crop next year after

planting; large size, easily picked; free from all attacks of insect enemies.

Fay's Prolific—Color deep red; great bearer; stems longer than Cherry and berries hold their size to the end of the stem better; quality first class, not quite so acid as the Cherry; claimed to be the most prolific and best of all red currants.

North Star—The average length of the bunches is four inches; the berries from a single bunch, thirty in number, placed side by side, touching, covered a line twelve inches in length. The fruit is superior, very sweet and rich in quality, firm, a good market berry, desirable as a dessert fruit in the natural state and unequaled for jelly.

Pomona—It is a beautiful, clear, bright, almost transparent red, has but few and small seeds, is much less acid than any of the common sorts; is easily picked hangs a long time after ripe, and is one of the best to hold up in shipping or on the market.

Red Dutch—An old, highly esteemed sort, hardy and reliable; fruit medium size, bright red and of best quality. It is well to plant some high priced, new kind, if you want a pet, but if you want currants plant Red Dutch.

White Grape—Very large, yellowish white, sweet or very mild acid; excellent quality and valuable for the table; the finest of the

—Fay's Prolific Currant.

white sorts; has a low, spreading habit and dark green foliage; very productive.

RASPBERRIES

One of the choicest of small fruits, coming into use as the strawberry season comes to an end. Nothing can be more refreshing than a dish of Raspberries. Should be planted four by six feet apart in a deep soil; one that will retain moisture well in a drouth. In training, allow only a few canes to grow from each plant, cutting away all suckers, to throw the strength into the stalk for bearing. All old canes should be removed when the bearing season is over. Tender varieties should be protected during the winter in the Northern states.

Cardinal (Red)—This is the most remarkable plant in cane growth ever introduced. It is a strikingly beautiful bush to look at and this remarkable cane growth is extremely hardy. Its productiveness is all that could be desired; its berries are red, rich and highly flavored.

Cumberland (Black)—In hardiness and productiveness it is unexcelled by any other variety; berries are large and fine; quality very similar and fully equal to Gregg; fruit firm and will stand long shipments; bush healthy and vigorous, and well adapted for supporting their loads of large fruit; ripens mid-season.

—Kansas Raspberry.

Cuthbert (Red)—A remarkably strong, hardy variety; stands the Northern winters and Southern summers equal to any; berries large, conical, rich crimson, very handsome, firm, sweet and rich.

Gregg (Black)—One of the best of the black-cap family; a good grower; hardy and productive; fruit large, black and of fine quality; ripens late and evenly, so that its season is short; a very desirable variety, both for home consumption and for the market.

Kansas (Black)—Originated at Lawrence, Kansas; healthy, vigorous and not subject to leaf blights; produces strong, healthy tips; fruit large, as fine a berry as Gregg and equally as good a shipper; ripens early; very prolific.

Loudon (Red)—Canes strong and hardy; berries large size, good color and excellent quality; its vigor and hardiness, together with productiveness and fine quality, make it very desirable for either home use or a market fruit.

Strawberry-Raspberry (Red)—Introduced from Japan; a beautiful dwarf raspberry, seeming from its character to be a hybrid between the raspberry and strawberry; bush dies to the ground in the fall, makes a handsome low spreading plant, with dark green foliage; fruit is early, stands well out from the foliage; size and shape of a strawberry; color brilliant crimson.

—Cumberland Raspberry.

BLACKBERRIES

No small fruit is better known than the Blackberry, and none is more useful and wholesome. They require the same kind of soil and treatment as raspberries, except that they should be planted in rows 6 or 7 feet wide and 3 or 4 feet apart in the row.

For self-sustaining bushes, clip off the points of the growing canes as soon as the plants are about 4 feet high, and repeat the operation several times, until they assume the form of a bush. Mulching is of great advantage to both raspberries and blackberries.

Ancient Briton—Upright grower; berry large. An old and reliable variety of Wales, which should be sufficient guarantee of its hardiness; fruit large, sweet, little to no core. Ripens about mid-season.

Blowers—Fruit large, and of good quality; plant a strong grower, hardy and productive; a promising new variety.

Early Harvest—The earliest of the blackberries; fruit medium, glossy black, good quality, firm and attractive in appearance; plant hardy and productive.

Eldorado—Vine is vigorous and hardy; berries large and borne in clusters and ripen well together; sweet, melting and juicy.

Erie—Cane strong; berry large, almost round, of rich quality, handsome and firm. Plant hardy, vigorous and productive, bending its canes with fruit.

—Snyder Blackberry.

Kittatinny—Canes vigorous, hardy and productive; berries large and glossy black; flesh moderately firm, sweet, rich and excellent; the great fault of Kittatinny is the rust; when it escapes rust it is the best blackberry known.

Mercereau—Berries large, oval, very black; sweet and rich, vine hardy, vigorous and very productive.

Rathbun—Fresh, juicy and high flavored; soft throughout and no hard core; sweet and delicious; carries well to market; propagates from tips.

Snyder—Very hardy and productive; fruit of medium size, with no hard, sour core; half as many thorns as Kittatinny, and they are straight and short; comparatively free from rust; a safe and profitable berry to plant; succeeds and yields well everywhere.

Taylor, or Taylor's Prolific—Strong, upright grower; berry large, late; very sweet and rich in flavor.

DEWBERRIES

The Dewberry is a trailing form of the blackberry. The fruit is larger and more luscious than the blackberry and is in demand in the market. The plants should be set two feet apart in the row and covered with straw during the winter. In the spring they should be mulched to keep the fruit off the ground.

—Early Harvest Blackberry.

—Lucretia Dewberry.

Austin—Large, glossy black and of excellent quality; the vines are vigorous and productive. This variety is especially valuable one in the South.

Lucretia—Fruit very large, luscious and handsome; perfectly hardy, a strong grower and very productive; a superb and profitable market fruit.

IMPROVED DWARF JUNE BERRY

Grows three to five feet in height, branches out from the ground like currants. This plant begins to bear the second year after transplanting and bears profusely. The berries are almost black, rich and sweet. Good for dessert or for canning.

Berry plants from the Willis Nurseries are the kind that "make good."

STRAWBERRIES

The Strawberry is one of the most beautiful as well as the most important of the small fruits and no fruit is in greater demand in its season. It can be successfully grown in any good garden soil. The ground should be carefully prepared and the plants set 12 to 18 inches apart in the row and the rows 3 feet apart. In the early winter the plants should be covered with straw and uncovered in the spring, the straw being left between the rows as a mulch for the summer and to keep the fruit from contact with the ground. Staminate varieties, marked (S), will fertilize themselves. Pistillate varieties, marked (P), must be planted with staminate in order to produce good crops.

Aroma (S)—A popular late variety, especially in the West and Middle West. A very firm, solid berry, and an excellent shipper; compared with the Gandy it is about the same season, about the same size and about the same productiveness. The quality is very fine.

Bederwood (S)—Large, roundish, conical; bright scarlet, moderately firm, fair quality; plant vigorous and very productive. A valuable early sort for home use or near market.

Brandywine (S)—This variety comes in a good time between mid-season berries and late ones; thrives on a great variety of soils; a large, broad, heart-shaped berry, of medium red color, with bright yellow seeds and firm flesh, which is red to the heart; has a peculiarly rich, spicy flavor that charms all who taste it.

Bubach (P)—A wonderful berry in vigor of plant and yield of fruit even under careless culture; berries large, handsome and of fair quality; valuable for a nearby market. Mid-season.

Captain Jack (S)—A most vigorous grower, healthy and productive. Berries large, handsome and solid.

Charles Downing (S)—Large, conical, crimson; flesh firm, of fine flavor and good quality; plant healthy, vigorous and productive. A good fertilizer for all pistillate varieties.

Crescent (P)—Medium, conical, bright scarlet,

—Aroma Strawberry.

uniform in size, a beautiful berry; has been shipped 200 miles without changing color; very productive; a prolific plant maker; at home on all soils.

Cumberland Triumph (S)—Berries large, of fine form and flavor; plant very vigorous and productive.

Excelsior (S)—An early berry, planted extensively; foliage tall and dark green; fruit almost round and very dark red; a good plant maker and if rows are allowed to become too thick, the last pickings will be small. A few object to it on account of its tart flavor, but we believe you will make no mistake in planting it for an early berry. It is productive. A nice looking berry and a good shipper.

Gandy (S)—A reliable late variety; berries bright crimson, very uniform in size and shape, large, firm; plant vigorous and healthy.

Greenville (P)—Resembles Bubach, but is firmer and a better shipper; uniform in size, regular outline, excellent quality. Plant a strong grower, free from rust and one of the most productive.

Jessie (S)—A stout luxuriant grower; foliage light green, large and clean; the berry is very large, continuing large to the last picking; is of a beautiful color, firm quality, good

—Senator Dunlap Strawberry.

form, having been shipped 600 miles in good condition.

Parker Earle—Very productive, flower perfect, protected from late frosts by abundance of leaves; trusses strong, long and large; berries regular, conical with short neck; glossy, scarlet crimson, firm; no hollow core, seeds golden. It shows well several days after picking; presents an attractive appearance in the crate. Season early to medium.

Robinson (S)—Fruit large and perfect; firm and a good shipper; plant a great grower and fertilizer; prolific.

Sample (P)—A very productive berry, medium to late in ripening; in fact it should be classed as late as more of its berries ripen in that season; a good plant maker of strong, thrifty plants; fruit above the medium in size, firm, good color, and holds up well for a long season.

—Sample Strawberry.

—Parker Earle Strawberry.

Senator Dunlap (S)—A variety that seems to give general satisfaction all over the country. A perfect bloomer and prolific plant maker of medium size plants; medium in fruiting season; very productive; berries medium to large in size, and very dark red in color when fully ripe; firm and have a peculiarity of remaining on the vines longer after ripening than most varieties without becoming soft; seems to do well on all kinds of soil and in all sections.

Sharpless (S)—Very large, generally oblong, narrowing to the apex, irregular, often flattened; clear bright red, with a smooth, shining surface; firm, sweet, with a delicious aroma; vigorous, hardy and very productive when raised in the hills, with runners cut off.

Warfield (S)—Possesses beauty, firmness, earliness, good flavor, productiveness; is not immensely large, but quite satisfactory.

PLANT STRAWBERRIES IN THE SPRING.

ASPARAGUS

This delicious and healthy vegetable should be found in every garden. Nothing can be more easily grown and no plant gives such healthful food for so little outlay. To make a good asparagus bed prepare a piece of fine loamy soil, to which has been added a liberal dressing of good manure. Set the plants in rows 18 to 20 inches apart, with plants 10 to 12 inches apart in the row. Make a small mound of the soil, over which the roots should be evenly spread, so that the crown, when covered, should be three inches below the surface of the ground. If planted in the fall, the whole should be covered before winter sets in with two or three inches of coarse stable manure, which may be lightly forked in between the rows as soon as the ground is softened in the spring.

Conover's Colossal—A mammoth variety of vigorous growth, sending up from 15 to 20 sprouts, from one to two inches in diameter, each year; color is a deep green; the crown is close.

Giant Argenteuil—Originally introduced from France; comes up early in the spring. This variety is more productive and the stalks are larger than in the other sorts. A very desirable market sort.

RHUBARB OR PIE PLANT

This deserves to be ranked among the best vegetables in the garden. It affords the earliest material for pies and tarts, continues long in use, and is valuable for canning. Make the border very rich and deep for this plant.

Linnaeus—Large, early tender and fine. The very best of all.

Victoria—Large, early and a valuable market sort.

ORNAMENTAL DEPARTMENT

As the country grows in age and wealth, the realization of the need for beautifying the grounds that surround the home become more general. We are beginning to see that well-kept and attractive grounds add very much not only to our own satisfaction, but to the actual value of the place. Large grounds may be planted according to some pre-arranged plan with large trees and shrubs. If the grounds are smaller, the smaller shrubs, and especially vines and roses, can be used to good advantage. The value of vacant lots is often largely increased by beautifying them with a wise planting of trees and shrubs.

HOW TO PLANT—A fine, well-cut lawn is one of the handsomest features of any place, so do not make the mistake of planting at random all over the grounds. Trees should be planted along a drive or in groups or lines according to a definite and well-arranged plan. The small shrubs and roses should be planted in beds where they can be well cultivated and pruned, so as to produce the finest results. An unsightly object may often be concealed by careful planting of trees, shrubs or vines.

PREPARATION FOR PLANTING—Dig the hole somewhat larger than is necessary to hold the tree or plant, and then fill in with good rich earth. Cut off all the bruised or broken roots back to the sound wood, cut back the top and side branches to correspond with the roots.

WHAT TO PLANT—Plant only the best. Poor stock is high at any price, good stock is worth a good price. To meet the increasing demand in this line, we have added largely to our stock of ornamental trees, shrubs, vines and roses in the last few years. No pains have been spared to produce the best specimens, and we offer now a good assortment of strictly choice stock of such varieties as are suitable for this section of the country.

UPRIGHT DECIDUOUS TREES

Ash, White—A rapid-growing native tree of fine symmetrical outline; a valuable street or park tree, and should be extensively planted for timber, as the demand for this timber is very great for the manufacture of implements, railway cars and furniture.

Birch, European White—A well-known tree, with graceful, airy foliage and silvery white bark; very desirable for the lawn, either as a single specimen or in contrast with other trees in a group.

Box Elder, Ash-Leafed Maple—A fine, rapid-growing variety, with handsome, light green foliage and spreading head; very hardy, excellent for avenues.

Catalpa, Bungei—A Dwarf Catalpa, close, compact shrub, absolutely healthy and hardy; its branches are numerous and short, the broad leaves lay as shingles on a roof, making a dense shade, and when top-grafted on a standard, makes an umbrella-shaped top tree, equal to the famous Chinese Umbrella tree of the South.

Catalpa, Speciosa—A variety originating in the West, more upright and symmetrical in its growth than the common Catalpa, and blossoms two or three weeks earlier. Very valuable for timber, fence posts, railroad ties, etc., possessing wonderful durability. A very ornamental and valuable tree.

Crab, Bechtel's Double Flowering—One of the most beautiful of the many fine varieties of flowering Crab Apples. Tree of medium size, covered in early spring with large, beautiful, double, fragrant flowers of a delicate pink color. From a distance the flowers have the appearance of roses. A great acquisition. Blooms when quite young.

Dogwood—An American species of fine form, growing from 16 to 25 feet high;

—Catalpa Bungei.

the flowers are produced in the spring before the leaves appear, are from three to three and one-half inches in diameter, white, very showy, the foliage in autumn is of a deep red color, rendering the tree one of the most beautiful objects at that season.

Elm, American White—The noble drooping, spreading tree of our own woods; one of the grandest of park or street trees.

Horse Chestnut, Common or White Flowering—A very beautiful, well-known tree, with round, dense head, dark green foliage, and an abundance of showy flowers in early spring. As a single lawn tree or for street it has no superior.

Linden, American Basswood—A fine native tree, grows rapidly and attains a large size; leaves a dark green above, light green underneath; flowers are creamy white and fragrant.

Linden, European—A very fine pyramidal tree of large size, with large leaves and fragrant flowers, the leaves change in the fall to beautiful tones of yellow and brown.

Locust, Black or Yellow—A native tree of large size, rapid growth, and valuable for shade as well as quite ornamental. The flowers are disposed in long, pendulous racemes, white or yellowish, very fragrant and appear in June.

Locust, Honey—A rapid-growing tree; delicate foliage, of a beautiful, fresh, lively green, and strong thorns; makes an exceedingly handsome, impenetrable and valuable hedge.

—Silver-Leafed Maple.

Maple, Norway—A foreign variety, with large, broad leaves of a deep rich green; probably the best Maple in cultivation.

Maple, Silver-Leaved—Of rapid growth; of great value where a rapid-growing tree is desired; very hardy and easily transplanted; a favorite street or park tree.

Maple, Sugar or Rock—A very popular American tree, and for its stately form and fine foliage, justly ranked among the very best, both for lawn and avenue.

Maple, Wier's Cut-Leaved—A Silver Maple, with remarkable and beautiful dissected foliage. Of rapid growth; shoots slender and drooping, giving it a very graceful appearance; should be in every collection.

Mountain Ash, European—A very beautiful tree of medium size, with an erect stem, smooth bark and round head; covered during the fall and winter with bright scarlet berries; universally admired.

Mountain Ash, Oak-Leaved—A handsome tree of erect habit and rich green foliage, deeply lobed; very hardy and desirable.

—American White Elm.

Olive, Russian—An ornamental tree of special value; attains a height of thirty feet or more; bark and leaves light green when young, bark becoming darker as the tree grows older, and leaves more silvery white; blooms profusely in June in small racemes three inches long, and their fragrance is decidedly sweet and spicy; an excellent lawn tree.

Persimmons, American—A small native tree; foliage dark green and very dense; fruit over an inch in diameter, pale orange yellow; very desirable.

Plum, Purple-Leaved—Tree of medium size, wood and leaves a dark purple; fruit is also purple until ripened when it turns red; one of the most conspicuous ornamental trees.

Poplar, Carolina—Of good form and vigorous growth; leaves large and glossy; desirable where a very large tree is desired.

Poplar, Lombardy—Attains a height of 100 to 150 feet; well known for its erect, rapid growth and tall spiry form; an indispensable tree for landscape gardening.

Poplar, Norway—Similar to Carolina Poplar in growth and appearance, but is claimed to be a more rapid grower. Will thrive in almost any soil or location; valuable for street and park planting, especially where quick shade is required.

Poplar, Silver-Leaved—A tree of very rapid growth and wide spreading habit; leaves large, dark, glossy green above and white underneath; prefers a moist soil, but grows anywhere.

Red Bud, or Judas Tree—A very ornamental, small tree, native of the Western states, which, in the early spring before the leaves appear, is covered with delicate pink flowers. "Nothing can be more beautiful in April or May than a large, round-headed Red Bud, cov-

—Linden.

ered with its beautiful flowers, before the bursting of a single leaf."

Sycamore, American Plane—A large, rapid growing, well-known tree that is well adapted for streets in cities where the gas and smoke are injurious to foliage.

Tulip Tree—A native tree of the Magnolia order, remarkable for its symmetry, its rich, glossy foliage, regularly distributed branches and large tulip-like flowers; difficult to transplant unless of small size.

Thorn, Paul's Double Scarlet—A tree with a fine habit; with rich, luxuriant foliage; flowers large and deep crimson; very double.

—Carolina Poplar.

Weeping Deciduous Trees

Birch, Cut-Leaved Weeping—An elegant, erect tree, with slender, drooping branches and fine cut leaves. A magnificent variety and worthy of a place on every lawn. We know of no more beautiful tree than the cut-leaved weeping Birch.

Elm, Camperdown Weeping—Its vigorous, irregular branches, which have a uniform weeping habit, overlap so regularly that a

compact, roof-like head is formed; the finest Weeping Elm.

Mountain Ash, Weeping—A beautiful tree, with straggling, weeping branches; makes a fine tree for the lawn.

Mulberry, Tea's Weeping—A graceful and beautiful, hardy tree, forming a perfect umbrella-shaped head, with long, slender, willowy branches, drooping to the ground and gracefully swaying in the wind. Foliage small, lobed, and of a delightful, fresh, glossy green.

Willow, Kilmarnock Weeping—An exceedingly graceful tree, with rather small, glossy leaves; one of the finest of this class of trees; very hardy.

Willow, Wisconsin Weeping—Of drooping habit and beautiful form; the most hardy of all our weeping willows.

Evergreens

Arbor Vitae, American—A fine native tree of medium size; commonly known as White Cedar; one of the best of the Evergreens for screens and more used than any other variety for ornamental hedges.

Arbor Vitae, Pyramidalis—The most beautiful of all Arbor Vitae, having dark green, compact foliage and remarkably erect form; perfectly hardy.

—American Arbor Vitae.

—Weeping Mulberry.

Arbor Vitae, Siberian—Grows slower and more compact than the American, of which it is a variety; foliage thicker, more luxuriant and keeps its color well in winter; perfectly hardy; one of the most desirable and useful evergreen trees in this climate.

Juniper, Irish—A distinct and beautiful variety of erect, dense conical outline, resembling a pillar of green; very desirable.

Pine, Austrian or Black—A native of the mountains of Syria; a rapid growing species with long, stiff, dark green leaves; very hardy.

Pine, Scotch—A native of British Islands; very rapid in its growth. A dark, tall evergreen, with bluish foliage and rugged shoots; hardy and grows well even on the poorest soils.

Pine, White—The most ornamental of all our native pines; foliage light, delicate or silvery green; flourishes in the poorest soils.

Red Cedar—A well known American Evergreen with deep green foliage; makes a fine ornamental hedge plant. One of the hardiest and most reliable. About the only evergreen we know of that is indigenous to Kansas.

Spruce, Norway—A lofty, elegant tree, of perfect pyramidal habit, remarkably elegant and rich, and as it acquires age has fine, graceful pendulous branches; it is exceedingly picturesque and beautiful; very popular and deservedly so, and should be largely planted.

Ornamental Shrubs

ALTHEA, or Rose of Sharon

A large and beautiful shrub; flowers large, double and of many brilliant colors; especially valuable because of their flowering in August and September when nearly all other shrubs are out of bloom; entirely hardy and easy of cultivation.

Ardens—Violet rose; very large and double.

Boule de Feu—Bright red; very double; blooms late.

Duchess de Brabant—Red; very large and double.

Jeanne d'Arc—One of the best; pure white; very double.

Lady Stanley—Delicate pink; very double.

Variegated Leaved—Leaves variegated with a light yellow; very ornamental.

—Althea.

Almond—Double pink flowering. A beautiful shrub, with small, double, rosy blossoms, closely set upon the twigs before the leaves appear.

Almona—Double white flowering. Similar to the pink, except is a pure white; an abundant bloomer.

Calycanthus—Sweet-scented shrub; an interesting shrub, having a rare and peculiar fragrance of wood and flowers; its blossoms are abundant, and of peculiar chocolate color.

Deutzia—Double flowered, a hardy shrub with luxuriant foliage and beautiful flowers; produced late in June on long racemes. They are white tinged with pink and very double.

Forsythia—Leaves dark green; flowers bright yellow, opening very early in the spring. A fine, hardy shrub.

Honeysuckle, Tartarian—A well known shrub flowers bright pink, which appear in May.

White Tartarian—Similar to the pink, but has creamy white flowers.

Hydrangea, Hardy—A fine large shrub, bearing showy panicles of white flowers in the greatest profusion; quite hardy and is altogether a most admirable shrub for planting singly or on the lawn in masses. Blooms in August and September.

Japan Quince—Produces an abundance of bright crimson flowers early in the spring before the leaves appear; foliage bright green and glossy, retaining its color through the summer. Is hardy and thorny and makes a good hedge plant.

Lilac, Common Purple—One of the hardiest, best shrubs; very well known and popular.

Lilac, Common White—Similar to the purple, but flowers are pure white.

Plum, Double Flowering—Flowers double, delicate pink, closely set along slender branches and appearing early in the spring.

Privet, California—Hardy, rapid-growing shrub, with deep, glossy green leaves; very valuable for hedges.

Purple Fringe, or Smoke Tree—A conspicuous, small tree, spreading habit, covered in mid-summer with a profusion of dusky, fringe-like flowers.

—Hydrangea.

Snow Ball—A well-known favorite shrub, of large size, with globular clusters of white flowers in May.

Spirea, Anthony Waterer—An improved dwarf Spirea, with dark red flowers; a very desirable variety.

Billardi—Flowers rose colored, are produced in large panicles nearly all summer.

Van Houttei—The most charming and beautiful of the Spireas; bush vigorous and hardy; foliage a rich green; flowers are pure white, borne in clusters along the branches; an indispensable shrub.

Syringa, or Mock Orange—The Syringa is a large shrub growing from 6 to 10 feet high; vigorous habit, hardy; with large, handsome foliage and beautiful white flowers; fragrant; blooms very freely.

Weigelia Rosea—A beautiful shrub with deep rose-colored flowers.

White Fringe—One of the best shrubs or small trees; superb foliage and delicate fringe-like white flowers.

Hardy Vines

Ampelopsis Quinquefolia, American Ivy, or Virginia Creeper—A native vine of rapid growth, with large, luxuriant foliage, which in the autumn assumes the most gorgeous and magnificent coloring; the blossoms are inconspicuous; succeeded by handsome dark blue berries. The vine is best calculated to take the place in this country of the celebrated English Ivy, and really in summer it will be found not inferior to it.

—Spirea Van Houttei.

—Deutzia.

Ampelopsis Veitchii, Boston Ivy—Foliage is smaller than those of the American and more dense, forming a sheet of green. The plant is a little tender while young, and should be protected the first winter. When once established grows rapidly and clings to a wall or fence with the tenacity of ivy. The foliage, while handsome in summer, changes to a crimson scarlet in autumn; very beautiful for covering walls, stumps of trees, rockeries, etc., and for ornamentation of brick and stone structures it has no equal.

Bignonia, Trumpet Creeper—A splendid climber, vigorous and hardy, with clusters of large, trumpet shaped flowers in August.

CLEMATIS, Virgin's Bower

The different varieties and species of Clematis now in cultivation are of the highest beauty and utility. They vary greatly in their foliage and flowers, and are adapted to various uses. The large-flowered varieties are extremely showy. These plants when trained on trel-

lises and over porches, pillars and rock work, produce great masses of bloom, which make a grand appearance, especially when contrasting colors are in proximity.

Henryii—Fine, large, pure white; one of the best long bloomers.

Jackmanni—A very profuse blooming variety, with flowers from four to six inches in diameter, of an intense violet purple color, borne successively in continuous masses on the summer shoots.

Madam Edouard Andre—The nearest approach to a bright red yet produced. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower, being a hybrid of the popular Jackmanni variety, which it resembles in freedom of bloom, strong, vigorous growth, shape and size of flowers.

Paniculata—Most beautiful and popular of the small flowering sorts. A vine of very rapid growth, quickly covering trellises and arbors with handsome, clean, glossy green foliage. The flowers are of medium size, pure white, borne in immense sheets, and of a most delicious and penetrating fragrance. The flowers appear in September, at a season when very few other vines are in bloom.

Dutchman's Pipe—A native species of climbing habit and rapid growth; light green foliage and pipe shaped yellowish brown flowers.

—Ampelopsis (A. Veitchii.)

Honeysuckle, Monthly Fragrant, or Dutch—Blooms all summer; very sweet, red and yellow flowers.

Hall's Japan—Nearly Evergreen; flowers pure white, changing color to yellow, producing abundantly; fragrant like a Jassamine; the best bloomer of all.

Yellow Trumpet—A well known variety, with yellow and trumpet flowers.

Wistaria, Purple—A most beautiful climber of rapid growth, and producing long, pendulous clusters of pale blue flowers; when well established makes an enormous growth, is very hardy, and is one of the most superb vines ever introduced.

Wistaria, White—General characteristics the same as the purple, but the flowers are pure white.

Deciduous Hedge

Honey Locust—A rapid growing native tree with strong spines and delicate foliage; very hardy and desirable for the North.

Osage Orange—A native tree of medium size and spreading habits; leaves a bright shining green; highly esteemed in the West and South; not hardy enough for Northern states.

Ornamental Hedges—The following shrubs are adapted to this purpose: Althea, California Privet, Japan Quince, Spirea, Tartarian Honeysuckle.

Beautify your surroundings now by planting shrubs, vines and hedges. Let some of the long planned pleasures begin with the new season.

—Clematis Paniculata.

ROSES

Of all the ornamental shrubs for the garden the Rose easily stands first. The great variety of form, color and size of the plants and flowers gives them a wider range of usefulness for decoration than any other plant.

To secure the best results, plant in rich garden soil, and cultivate well, and when you have done all this implies, then go over the ground again carefully. There is no plant that will respond more fully to kind treatment than the Rose. It is a strong feeder, and when neglected or poorly cared for, will suffer very quickly.

All Roses do better if properly pruned. They should be more or less pruned when planted by taking off any injured roots or branches and at least one-half of the past season's growth. The plants are best pruned in March. Usually from about one-half to two-thirds of the past year's growth should be cut back. Also all dead branches and such shoots as may crowd the plant or exclude light and air. As a rule the more vigorous growing kinds require less pruning than the weak growing ones. Besides spring pruning many kinds of the Hybrid Perpetual require to be pruned as soon as their first blossoming is over, in order to induce free blooming in the fall.

All Roses will keep better through the winter if late in the fall they are laid down and lightly covered with earth or wrapped so as to save them from especially severe weather.

It is very important to keep your plants healthy and vigorous and free from diseases and insects. Mildew is one of the most injurious of the rose diseases and is generally caused by extremes of heat and cold and by long continued damp and cloudy weather. The Bordeaux mixture is one of the best preventives from mildew. By careful attention the diseases and insects can be kept down and the plants will reward you with beautiful blooms and foliage.

—White Lilac. (See Page 33).

—Hall's Japan Honeysuckle. See Page 33).

Hybrid Perpetual Roses

This group comprises, for the most part, the roses for the multitude. They are mostly hardy, vigorous, easy of culture. As a general rule they thrive best in well-prepared loam. The flowers range from purest white to deepest crimson, with intermediate shades of pink, blush, cherry, carmine and peach. The term "perpetual" may lead some to think that they are constant bloomers as the everblooming roses. This is not the case. They flower freely in the spring, some of them flower at intervals during the summer and most of them produce a good second crop in the fall.

Alfred Colomb—Brilliant carmine crimson; very large, full and fine, globular form; very fragrant and a splendid rose.

American Beauty—An ever-blooming Hybrid Perpetual. The flowers are very large, of beautiful form and very double; color, a deep rich rose. The fragrance is delightful.

Anne de Diesbach—Carmine, beautiful shade; moderately full and very large.

Black Prince—Dark, velvety crimson, almost black; a good grower and a most magnificent rose.

Baron de Bonstetten—Rich, velvety maroon; large, full; a splendid sort.

Coquette des Blanches—Pure white, flowering in clusters; a very free bloomer.

Coquette des Alps—White, lightly shaded with carmine; of medium size; a free bloomer.

Dinsmore—A true perpetual, flowering very freely the whole season; flowers large and very double; color deep crimson. The plant is of a dwarf, bushy habit, every shoot producing a bud.

Earl Dufferin—A strong, healthy growing sort, and a splendid autumn bloomer; flowers are large, very full and finely formed; color deep, velvety crimson, shaded with maroon.

Fisher Holmes—Deep glowing crimson; large, moderately full and of fine form.

Frau Karl Druschki—Very large, perfect form and snow white; long, pointed buds; a vigorous grower and free bloomer.

General Jacqueminot—Brilliant crimson scarlet; very showy and effective; good grower, free bloomer; one of the most popular roses. Especially valued for its large and elegant buds.

—Mrs. J. H. Laing Rose.

General Washington—Brilliant rosy carmine, large and double; a poor grower and fair bloomer.

John Hopper—Deep rose, with crimson. One of the best.

Madame Chas. Wood—One of the most beautiful Hybrid Perpetual Roses ever introduced. The flower is extra large, full and double; color deep rosy crimson, sometimes brilliant scarlet, with maroon shading.

Magna Charta—Very large and full, bright, clear pink, a good bloomer and very hardy.

Marshall P. Wilder—A vigorous grower, with healthy foliage, flowers large, double and of good form, color a deep red; a good bloomer.

Margaret Dickson—White with pale flesh center petals; very large flowers of magnificent form, both in bud and when fully open; plant perfectly hardy. A vigorous grower; very fragrant.

Mrs. J. H. Laing—One of the finest roses of its class. It is very free flowering, commencing to bloom early and continues to bloom until autumn; color a soft, delicate pink, with a satin tinge; very fragrant.

Paul Neyron—Deep rose; very large, very full; somewhat fragrant, free blooming; the largest variety known.

Pierre Notting—Large, very full, globular, dark red or crimson, shaded violet; fragrant, vigorous. One of the very best dark roses.

Prince Camille de Rohan—Very dark, rich, velvety crimson, passing to intense maroon-shaded black; large, full flowers, looking, at a distance, as if nearly black. One of the darkest roses; very handsome.

Ulrich Bruner—Raised from Paul Neyron; brilliant, cherry-red flowers of fine form and finish, petals of great substance; plant vigorous and hardy; one of the best varieties for forcing and open air culture.

—American Beauty Rose.

Victor Verdier—Clear rose; globular, of fine form, and a free bloomer; superb.

Vick's Caprice—Beautiful pink flowers of fine size, striped and dashed with white and carmine, especially pretty in bud form. Vigorous and free blooming rose.

MOSS ROSES

Blanche Moreau—Pure white, large, full and perfect form.

Crested Moss—Deep pink buds, surrounded with a mossy fringe and crest; fragrant; one of the best.

Countess of Murinais—White, slightly tinged with flesh. One of the best white moss roses.

Glory of Mosses—Pale rose, very large, full and beautiful.

Red Moss—Fine, red flowers and elegant mossy buds.

Salet—Clear, rose color, very double; of vigorous growth and abundant bloom.

CLIMBING ROSES

Baltimore Belle—A rapid growing dark-leaved rose; blooms in large clusters; flowers pale blush, almost white; double, fragrant.

Empress of China—Light red, changing to pink when fully expanded; a free and continuous bloomer; flowers medium size.

—General Jacqueminot Rose.

—Frau Karl Druschki Rose.

Prairie Queen—A rapid grower; bright rose color; large, compact and globular; a very profuse bloomer. One of the best.

Seven Sisters—A well-known rose; producing large clusters of flowers, shading from dark red to pink.

RAMBLER ROSES

Crimson Rambler—The most popular climbing rose today. This remarkable rose was originally received from Japan. The plant is of vigorous growth, making shoots of from eight to ten feet high in a season, and is therefore a most desirable climbing variety, though it may also be grown in bush form. The flowers hold their beautiful crimson color a long time without fading, and give a most magnificent effect in contrast to the bright, glossy foliage. Is entirely hardy everywhere.

Dorothy Perkins—Has the same strong habit of growth as the Crimson Rambler. The flowers are borne in large clusters and are a beautiful shell pink, of medium size and very double. A valuable new climbing rose.

Philadelphia—Flowers are borne in large clusters and are a deep rich crimson, very similar to the Crimson Rambler, but larger and more double. The vine is a strong, quick grower, perfectly hardy and less subject to mildew than the Crimson Rambler.

Pink Rambler—In foliage and habit of growth much like the white Rambler, except the flowers are a bright pink, instead of white.

White Rambler—In habit of growth, foliage, in manner of blooming and shape flower is identical with

Crimson Rambler differing only in color, which is pure clear white.

Yellow Rambler—A hardy, yellow climbing rose, blooming after the same manner as the Crimson Rambler, in large clusters; flowers of medium size, very sweet scented. Color a clear, decided yellow; has successfully withstood, unprotected, a continued temperature of from zero to 2 degrees below, proving it to be the hardiest of all yellow climbing roses. A rampant grower, strong plant; in full bloom makes one of the finest pillar or porch plants imaginable.

MISCELLANEOUS ROSES

Baby Rambler—A Dwarf Crimson Rambler. The greatest blooming rose in the world. It blooms in the field all summer. It blooms in the house all winter. It blooms all the time. It is perfectly hardy everywhere.

Clothilde Soupert—Flowers medium size, very double, produced in clusters, pearly white with rosy centers, liable to vary. Valuable for florists or as a pot plant, being remarkably free and constant bloomer and of easy culture. Blooms all summer.

Harrison's Yellow—Bush grows from three to

—Marshall P. Wilder Rose.

four feet high, and is a very prolific bloomer. Flowers a deep golden yellow; one of the first roses to bloom in the spring.

Hermosa—An excellent rose, blooms in fine clusters, double and fragrant; color beautiful clear rose, hardy, one of the best. Blooms continually through the summer.

La France—Beautiful silvery pink, more highly flushed at the center; equal in delicacy to the Tea Roses, and greatly surpasses them in hardiness. Very large and full, highly perfumed; blooms continually through the summer.

Madam Plantier—A strong, vigorous grower and a profuse bloomer; one of the finest pure white roses, blooming in clusters. Blooms in the spring.

Mary Washington—A wonderfully profuse bloomer; flowers medium size, white or light pink; continues in profuse bloom the entire season.

TREE ROSE

These are budded or grafted on stems usually about four or five feet high and they form fine dwarf trees. When properly cared for they are a very desirable ornament to the lawn. They are not hardy in severe winters and should be removed to the cellar during the winter.

—Paul Neyron Rose.

Our collection of Roses has been gathered together especially to give the greatest satisfaction to our customers. You love roses—of course, you do. Then no longer be without some of the fine plants we offer.

Plants and Bulbs

PAEONIES

These are all showy beautiful flowers, perfectly hardy, easy to cultivate. The colors range from the darkest red to pure white, and the flowers come very early in the spring. No garden is complete without paeonies, and no plant is more popular just now. If paeonies are planted for cut flowers, only a few of the best varieties should be used, as they require cutting at just the right time to secure the best results, and it is difficult to give proper attention to a long list of varieties.

Bryant's White — Large, pure white flowers, plant vigorous and a good bloomer.

Festiva Maxima — Flower white, large, very full and sometimes tipped with carmine. Plant vigorous.

Francis Ortegai — Brilliant crimson; large fine flowers, with yellow stamens.

Gigantea — Large flowers, borne on a long stiff stem; clear light pink; very fragrant.

Queen Victoria — The broad petals are bluish white; flowers large and very double.

—Dorothy Perkins Climbing Rose.

Rubra Superba — A rich dark red; large, full and borne on long stems.

IRIS

German — These plants have broad sword-like leaves and bloom profusely early in the spring. The flowers are showy and extend over a wide range of colors and shades and are fine for cut flowers.

Japan — This is the finest group of the Iris family. The plants are hardy and flower in great profusion in June. The flowers are very large and colorings are delicate and beautiful. They should be planted in a damp, cool place and in rich soil.

PHLOX

One of the finest late summer and autumn flowers. The plants are of vigorous habit, easy culture and produce in great profusion during a long season. The flowers are of fine form, good substance and of bright and varied colors. They succeed in any good garden soil. They usually flower in July and August and if flowers are wanted later in the season it is necessary to pinch the shoots about the first of June and again in July.

Bridesmaid — White, with a crimson eye.

Coquelicot — Pure scarlet, with a crimson eye.

—Festiva Maxima Peony.

Elizabeth Campbell—Bright salmon pink, with lighter shadings.

Jeanne d'Arc—Large white, one of the reliable standard sorts.

Miss Lingard—Pure white, large and fine.

Mrs. Jenkins—Best tall, early white.

Rosenberg—Bright reddish violet, with a blood-red eye. Large flowers, borne in large trusses.

Von Hochberg—Rich crimson and very fine.

Miscellaneous Plants and Bulbs

Bleeding Heart—A hardy perennial, with fern-like foliage, flowers are heart shaped, rose colored and produced in long drooping spikes. A good border plant. Perfectly hardy and easy to cultivate.

Golden Glow—A tall growing hardy perennial, with light green deeply cut foliage; flowers $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches in diameter; very double, well formed; rich golden yellow and borne on long stems, which render them suitable for cutting. Flowers freely from July until September.

Yucca—A plant of grand appearance. The stem is three feet above the ground, covered with large, bell-shaped flowers on laterals, forming a perfect pyramid; color creamy white.

Cannas—Tall, stately plants, with large leaves varying in color from light green to dark brown or red. The flowers are produced in long spikes and cover a wide range of colors and continue to bloom until frost. After the tops are killed down by frost, the roots should be taken up and stored in a cool, dry place, where they will be protected from the frost.

—Hardy Phlox.

Dahlias—The Dahlia is rapidly coming to the front as one of the most desirable late summer and fall flowering plants. The flowers are perfect, showy and produced in great profusion from July until frost. They also cover a wide range of color and form and are useful for cut flowers. The roots should be dug before freezing weather and stored in a frost-proof cellar.

Gladiolus—A most attractive summer flowering bulb which deserves a place in every garden. It requires little care and produces long spikes of beautiful flowers of many beautiful shades and colors. If the spikes are picked when two or three of the lower flowers are open and placed in water, the entire spike will open beautifully. The bulbs should be taken up before freezing weather and stored in a frost-proof cellar.

Mexican Tuberose—One of the most highly perfumed and sweetest of summer flowering bulbs. Easily grown in any good garden soil. The flowers are borne in long spikes and are a creamy white. Before the ground freezes in the fall, they should be lifted and stored in a frost-proof cellar.

—Iris Germanica.

We have listed the most dependable and desirable fruits and ornamentals suited to the sections reached by us. If you do not find exactly what you want listed here, write us. We may be able to give you valuable assistance in making selections.

23 Gooseberry Mildew.....	Gooseberry.....	Potassium sulphide, 1 oz. to 2 gal water.....	Just as buds burst.....	Repeat at intervals of 10 days till fruit is picked.
24 Scab.....	Potato.....	Formalin, 1 lb. to 30 gal water.....		Soak seed for two hours, then cut and plant. Do not plant in soil where scabby potatoes were grown.
25 Potato Blight.....	Potato.....	Bordeaux.....	July first to fifteenth.....	Again two weeks later. If blight is bad on unsprayed potatoes near by, follow with a third application two or three weeks later.
26 Anthracnose.....	Bean.....	Bordeaux.....	When plants are well started.....	Again three weeks later. Before planting seed reject all diseased ones.
27 Smut.....	Wheat and Oats.....	Formalin, 1 lb. to 45 gal. water.....		Sprinkle the seed thoroughly; let it lie in a pile two hours; dry and plant with a clean seed.
28 Moss and Lichens.....	Fruit Trees.....	Lye or sulphur-lime, double strength.....	When the leaves are off the trees.....	

BORDEAUX MIXTURE

- Bluestone 6 pounds
- Good Lime 4 pounds
- Water 50 gallons

Dissolve the bluestone by suspending it in a sack in 25 gallons of water in a barrel. Slake the lime in another vessel, adding water slowly to make 25 gallons of lime milk. Pour the two at the same time slowly into a third vessel, allowing them to mix thoroughly as they are poured in. Many orchardists now use only 4 pounds of bluestone to make this mixture.

If there is not enough lime in the water it will burn the foliage. To test this, take a saucer full of the mixture and add a few drops of a solution of yellow prussiate (ferrocyanide) of potash (one ounce to one-half pint of water). If a brown color appears, more lime must be added until no change takes place, when the test is applied. Even the best bordeaux may scorch the fruit if applied in rainy weather.

ARSENATE OF LEAD

- Arsenate of lead..... 1 pound
- Water 40 to 50 gallons

It is unnecessary to use it stronger. It is more reliable than paris green. It is especially useful

where there is much rain. It sticks well and does not scorch the leaves.

SULPHUR-LIME WASH

- Sulphur 12 pounds
- Good Lime 12 pounds
- Water 45 gallons

First slake the lime in the cooking vat. When slaked add the sulphur and about ten gallons of water, so that the mixture will boil easily. Keep it well stirred until boiling begins. Boil until the sulphur is completely dissolved, which usually takes less than an hour. Then add the rest of the water, and the mixture is ready to spray. It should be poured into the spraying tank through a strainer. It may be hot or cold. Salt, which was formerly added to this mixture, is wholly unnecessary. There are several ready-made sulphur-lime washes which give good results when properly diluted.

WHALE OIL AND QUASSIA

- Quassia chips 8 pounds
- Whale oil soap..... 7 pounds

Soak the chips twelve hours in eight gallons of water. Dissolve the soap in boiling water. Strain the quassia extract to remove the chips, and add the soap solution. Stir thoroughly and dilute to make 100 gallons.

KEROSENE EMULSION

- Kerosene 2 gallons
- Whale oil soap..... ½ pound
- Water 1 gallon

Dissolve the soap in the water by boiling, and add the suds boiling hot to the kerosene, away from the fire. The mixture is then to be agitated violently, preferably by pumping it back on itself with a force pump. After four or five minutes the mixture suddenly becomes creamy in consistence. If well made, the cream will stand for a long time without free oil rising to the surface. Unless otherwise stated, use one gallon of the emulsion to 12 gallons water in spraying. One quart soft soap or one pound laundry soap may be used instead of the whale oil soap.

LYE

- Lye (potash) ½ pound
- Water 10 gallons

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