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OF CHOICE

Strawberry Plants

GROWN AND FOR SALE BY

H. H. BENNING

Clyde, New York

= 1920 =

No. 1216

State of New York, Department of
Farms and Markets, Division
of Agriculture

Certificate of Inspection--Nursery Stock

THIS IS TO CERTIFY That the Nursery Stock
of H. H. BENNING, of CLYDE, Wayne County,
State of New York, was duly examined in compli-
ance with the provisions of Section 305 of the
Agricultural Laws, and was found to be appar-
ently free from any contagious or infectious dis-
ease or diseases, or the San Jose Scale or other
dangerously injurious insect pest or pests. This
certificate expires September 1, 1920.

Dated, Albany, N. Y., September 26, 1919.

CHARLES S. WILSON
Commissioner of Agriculture.

GENERAL REMARKS

Please Read Before Ordering

Partly on account of the extreme wet weather all through the digging and shipping season of 1919, and on account of our desire to ship our customers' orders in time, a part of our own plantings were seriously delayed, and of those varieties which were set last we have but few new plants, and, consequently, do not list them this year. Possibly this may be cause for disappointment on the part of some of our customers who would like the varieties that have failed us; but it is equally disappointing to us, as well as a financial loss.

All orders will be filled with fresh dug plants of our own growing, and we are confident we can please you should we receive your order, either large or small.

We would advise growers to send in their orders early. Plants weigh less and live better when dug and shipped early—while dormant. Early orders can also usually be filled without substituting.

Every order is promptly acknowledged by card. One and two cent stamps taken for orders less than one dollar. If of one variety, six at dozen rates; fifty at hundred, and five hundred at thousand rates. A discount of five per cent. will be allowed on all orders of \$20.00 or more.

Varieties marked (Imp) have pistillate blossoms, and will not fruit unless planted near some varieties having perfect blossoms, which are marked (Per), but when so planted are, as a rule, the best yielders.

All questions relating to Strawberries promptly and cheerfully answered. Also, criticisms, favorable or otherwise, will be thankfully received.

We shall do our best to serve and please you, and endeavor to ship your plants as near the date you want them as possible. But, if they do not reach you at just that time, please remember that the shipping season is short, and that many others are waiting for their plants at the same time. Also, at this season we have more or less rainy days, and sometimes a whole week of wet weather. This severely interferes with our shipping plans. Also, we must depend for our work on hired help, and sometimes they fail to appear when we need them.

Claims, if any, must be made on receipt of plants. We cannot be responsible for stock that is allowed to lie around your express office, or for neglect of purchaser to care for stock after it is received.

Cash Must Accompany All Orders

REFERENCES.—Briggs National Bank, or Express Agent of Clyde, New York.

Description of Varieties

✓ **Bubach**—This is probably one of the most popular berries in the country. Makes moderate number of strong, stocky plants. Berries are large, showy and of good flavor. You make no mistake when you plant Bubachs.

✓ **Brandywine**—Season medium late. The berries are large, heart-shape; firm flesh and medium red color. Have a rich spicy flavor. A valued variety. A good canner.

✓ **Chesapeake**—Large, stocky plants, producing a fair crop of large, smooth, glossy berries. A very popular late variety. Does not make many plants.

✓ **Corsican**—Large and uniform in shape. Color, bright red. Healthy and vigorous foliage. A medium late, firm berry.

✓ **Clyde**—One of the most productive berries grown, but requires plenty of moisture to mature its big load of berries. Light color; good shape; medium large.

✓ **Charles I.**—This is a comparatively new early berry which we have grown and closely observed for the last six seasons, and without the least exaggeration we can say that in point of size, productiveness and length of season, it is ahead of any early berry we have ever grown. It ripens only a day or two after Michel's Early, and is a large, round well shaped berry, light red color and fairly firm. Plants are large, vigorous, with a perfect blossom.

Reports of its behavior from friends in surrounding counties correspond with that of our own. If you want large well flavored berries, and lots of them, this is the berry.

✓ **Gandy**—The standard late berry, all over the country. Does best on moist, rich soil. Medium large.

✓ **Haverland**—Exceedingly productive. Fruit large. One of the most popular and well tested varieties. A good sure berry for main crop. One of our favorites.

✓ **Helen Davis**—This is another new early berry, which is very highly recommended by those who have grown it. It has large, strong plants, and produces heavy fruit stem. The fruit is medium large, has a rich, dark color and good flavor.

✓ **Jessie**—A very large, fine flavored berry for home use. Many use it for fertilizing Bubach. An old standard variety, and very popular.

✓ **Marshall**—A large fancy berry, especially for the Eastern portion of the United States. One of the richest strawberries grown. Foliage large and beautiful. Well adapted to field culture. Makes few plants.

✓ **Michel's Early**—One of the very earliest berries grown; medium size, light color and fine flavor. Last picking rather small. A good variety where extra early berries are desired.

✓ **New York**—This is a valuable variety for the home garden or home market. A luxuriant grower, and free from diseases. Berries are large, with an agreeable flavor, and extend through a long season.

✓ **Pocomoke**—Very productive and adapted to all soils. Withstands dry, hot weather. Berry large, firm and great yielder; good flavor; good shipper. One of the best of the newer varieties.

✓ **Sample**—This is a beautiful berry, and one of the largest and most prolific. Bright red, uniform size, and has a smooth, glossy appearance. A very good market berry, and popular over a large section of the United States.

✓ **Senator Dunlap**—One of the best standard sorts, and deservedly popular. Resembles Warfield in color and canning qualities. Bloom rich in pollen. Medium early. A favorite with canning factories.

✓ **Stevens' Late Champion**—A good all-round large, late berry, that does well on a great variety of soils. A good pollenizer for Sample. If your soil is not adapted to Gandy, try this variety.

✓ **Wm. Belt**—A standard for quality. Good bearer of medium late, large berries. Holds out well through the season.

FALL BEARING VARIETIES

The Fall-Bearing Strawberry is not a novelty, but is successfully grown by many growers. Plants are set and cultivated the same as other varieties, except that the blossoms must be cut off till about July 10th, then they will bear ripe fruit from early fall till freezing weather. Plants bear the same year they are set out. The following year they bear in June and another crop in the fall. The quality of the fruit is excellent. We would advise everyone to try at least a dozen plants.

We have a limited supply of the following varieties :

✓ **PROGRESSIVE, SUPERBA AND AMERICUS**

Price—30c per dozen; \$1.35 per 100 postpaid; \$1.25
per 100, \$10.00 per 1,000 by Express

PRICE LIST--1920

VARIETIES	BY MAIL—Postpaid		By Express—Ch'gs P'd by Purchaser		
	Per Doz.	Per 100	Per 100	Per 300	Per 1000
✓ Bubach, Imp.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	\$6 00
✓ Brandywine, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Chesapeake, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 50
✓ Corsican, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	
✓ Clyde, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	5 50
✓ Charles I, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Gandy (Semi-Staminate). . .	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	5 50
✓ Haverland, Imp.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Helen Davis, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	
✓ Jessie, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Marshall, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	
✓ Michel's Early, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	5 00
✓ New York, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	
✓ Pocomoake, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Sample, Imp.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00
✓ Senator Dunlap, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	5 50
✓ Stevens' Late Champion, Per	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	5 50
✓ Wm Belt, Per.	.25	1.00	.75	2 00	6 00

We take extra care to have our plants true to name, but in case any should prove otherwise, we will not be responsible for more than the amount paid us for the same.

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Write Name and Address Very Plainly

Mail or Express

Date of Order.....192.....

✂ **EARLY** in the season I usually have everything listed in my catalogue, but later in the season I frequently run out of some of the varieties; therefore, when you order late, please state here whether I shall substitute something equally as good and as near like the variety ordered as possible, or return your money for any stock that I may be out of. Will not substitute except when necessary.

Answer.....