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HOUSTONS' NURSERIES, MANSFIELD, CONN.

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Houstons' Nurseries, Mansfield, Conn.

B. D. HOUSTON
President and General Manager

OUR BROAD GUARANTEE TO CUSTOMERS

Our guarantee is, we believe, one of the broadest and most liberal of any nurseryman in the country. Our guarantee means something to you, because it is backed by a firm with an established reputation, a firm that is established permanently. We guarantee our stock to reach our customers in good condition. We guarantee that all trees and plants purchased from us shall be **TRUE TO NAME** as labeled. *For any stock which does not prove true to name and as represented by us, and as bought by you, we are to make good your loss or damage by reason thereof at any time within ten years of the date of purchase. In event we cannot agree we are each to appoint one arbiter who shall choose the third and the award of a majority shall be binding on both parties.* If there is any mistake on our part in regard to the stock you purchase from us we want you to tell us about it, and we will adjust the matter to your entire satisfaction. Our interest in the stock we send you does not cease when it leaves our hands. We believe our satisfied customers are our best advertisements.

A GAIN we present to you a Trade List, having learned that such a bulletin is more satisfactory to both customers and ourselves than an illustrated catalog—in so much that it is less expensive, allowing us to offer our stock at these low prices.

SCARCITY OF NURSERY STOCK

The propagation of Nursery Plants and Trees is an art. It takes three or four years to develop Nursery Stock to planting size. The recent war greatly decreased propagation as 90 percent of the fruit Seedlings which Nurserymen plant are imported from France. For the past three years France has been able to furnish only very few Seedlings, as they cannot get help to grow them. It will be several years before they will again be able to produce the amount of stock they did before the war.

Pears, Cherries, Plums and Quinces will be higher in price for the next four or five years. 85 percent of the Growers of Nursery Stock cannot obtain Seedlings for new planting.

Planters should appreciate the present situation and place their order early as the supply of many standard varieties will certainly be exhausted before long.

ORDER NOW FOR OUR SUPPLY IS LIMITED — WE HAVE HOWEVER A FINE LOT OF BALDWINs — THE STANDARD APPLE.

As an inducement, we will allow **FIVE PER CENT DISCOUNT** on all orders accompanied by cash during the month of March.

Our **INFORMATION DEPARTMENT** is absolutely free and at your service. Owing to the scarcity of space, we could give only a little general information and have found that a personal letter answering individual problems is very helpful.

Our terms are cash with order or C. O. D., shipped either by parcel post or express. When cash accompanies a parcel post order, please remit postage and we will refund any balance.

Our Nursery is located two miles north of the Connecticut Agricultural College on the main turnpike from Hartford to Providence.

**THIS CATALOG IS OUR ONLY SALESMAN
WE EMPLOY NO AGENTS**

**EXTRA SIZE—BALDWINs, McINTOSH
AND STAYMAN'S WINESAP**

		Each	Ten	Hundred
Largest Size	5-7 feet	\$.90	\$8.00	\$70.00
Medium Size	4-5 feet	.80	7.00	60.00
Smaller Size	3-4 feet	.70	6.00	50.00

	Color	Season
Early Harvest	Yellow	Aug. to Sept.
Yellow Transparent	Yellow	Aug. to Sept.
Red Astrachan	Red	July to Aug.
Duchess of Oldenburg	Streaked	Aug. to Sept.
Golden Sweet	Yellow	Aug. to Sept.
McIntosh Red	Red	Oct. to Dec.
Fall Pippin	Yellow	Oct. to Nov.
Gravenstein	Streaked	Sept. to Oct.
Wealthy	Red	Oct. to Jan.
Fameuse	Red	Oct. to Nov.
Northern Spy	Red	Nov. to Apr.
Ben Davis	Red	Nov. to Apr.
Grimes' Golden	Yellow	Nov. to Apr.
Wolf River	Red	Sept. to Dec.
Staymen's Winesap	Streaked	Dec. to Mar.
Opalescent	Red	Dec. to Mar.
King	Red	Nov. to Mar.
Jonathan	Red	Nov. to Mar.
Winter Banana	Yellow and Red	Nov. to Jan.
Rhode Island Greening	Green	Nov. to Apr.
Hubbardston Nonsuch	Red	Oct. to Jan.
Wagener	Red	Dec. to May
Rome Beauty	Red	Dec. to Mar.
Baldwin	Red	Dec. to Mar.
Roxbury Russett	Russet	Dec. to May
Delicious	Red	Nov. to Arr.
Tolman Sweet	Yellow	Nov. to Apr.
Jacobs Sweet	Yellow and Red	Dec. to Jan.
Maiden Blush	Yellow and Red	Sept. to Oct.
Sweet Bough	Yellow	Aug. to Sept.

	Each	Ten	Hundred
3-4 Years Old	\$1.25	\$12.00	\$100.00

J. R. HOUSTON
Originator of Houstons' Nurseries

J. E. HOUSTON
Secretary

CRAB APPLE TREES

Prices same as Standard

	Color	Season
Transcendent	Yellow Striped	Oct.
Hyslop	Red	Oct.

DWARF APPLE TREES

		Each	Ten
Largest Size	2 Year 4 to 5 ft.	\$1.15	\$10.00
Medium Size	2 Year 3 to 4 ft.	1.00	9.00
Yellow Transparent	Carolina Red June		
Red Astrachan	Wolfe River		
Duchess	King David		
Wealthy	Wagener		
R. I. Greening	King		
Baldwin	Wm.'s Favorite		
Gravenstein	Fall Pippin		

PLUM TREES

	Each	Ten	Hundred
5 to 7 feet	\$1.35	\$13.00	\$120.00
4 to 5 feet	1.25	12.00	100.00
Abundance	Amber	Aug.	
Burbank	Cherry-red	Aug.	
Bradshaw	Violet-red	Middle Aug.	
Lombard	Violet-red	Middle Aug.	
Shippers Pride	Purple	Sept.	
Wickson	Cherry-red	Sept.	
Red June	Amber	Aug.	
Green Gage	Green	Aug.	
Satsuma	Blood Red	Sept.	

PEACH TREES

	Each	Ten	Hundred
5 to 6 feet	\$.75	\$7.00	\$55.00
4 to 6 feet	.65	6.00	50.00
3 to 4 feet	.55	5.00	45.00
Greensboro	White-red cheek	July	
Mountain Rose	White-red cheek	Late Aug.	
Hieley	White-red cheek	Late Aug.	
Carman	White-red cheek	Middle Aug.	
Champion	White-red cheek	Late Aug.	
Old Mixon	White-red cheek	Late Aug.	
Belle of Georgia	White-red cheek	Early Sept.	
Fox Seedling	White-red cheek	Early Oct.	
Elberta	Yellow	Middle Sept.	
Early Crawford	Yellow	Early Sept.	
Salway	Yellow	Middle Oct.	
J. H. Hale	Yellow	Early Oct.	

PEAR TREES

	Each	Ten	Hundred
5 to 7 feet	\$1.25	\$11.00	\$105.00
4 to 5 feet	1.10	10.00	95.00
Anjou	Green	Oct.	
Bartlett	Yellow-red Blush	Sept.	
Clapp's Favorite	Yellow-red cheek	Early Aug.	
Keiffer	Golden Yellow	Nov.	
Seckel	Russet	Oct.	
Lawrence	Yellow	Nov.	
Flemish Beauty	Yellow and Red	Sept.	
Sheldon	Greenish Russet	Oct.	

A home garden is never complete without Pears. Where space is limited, Dwarf Pears are proving satisfactory.

OUR STOCK IS EXHIBITED AT NINE FAIRS OF SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND AND AT BRATTLEBORO, VT.

DWARF PEAR TREES

3 to 5 feet	\$.90 each	\$8.50 per 10	
Anjou	Green	Oct.	
Bartlett	Yellow-red Blush	Sept.	
Clapp's Favorite	Yellow-red cheek	Early Aug.	
Seckel	Russet	Oct.	

QUINCE TREES

Largest size	2 Year 4 to 5 ft.	\$1.35 each	\$13.00 per 10
Medium size	2 Year 3 to 4 ft.	1.25 each	12.00 per 10
Champion	Yellow	Late Oct.	
Orange	Golden Yellow	Early Oct.	

CHERRY TREES

5 to 6 feet	\$1.35 each	\$13.00 per 10	
4 to 5 feet	1.25 each	12.00 per 10	
Black Tartarian	Black	Late June	
Black Oxheart	Black	Early June	
Yellow Spanish	Yellow and Red	Middle June	
Napoleon	Yellow and Red	Middle June	
Windsor	Reddish Brown	July	
Governor Wood	Yellow and Red	Late June	
Early Richmond	Light Red	May	
Montmorency	Bright	June	

GOOSEBERRIES

\$.45 cents each; \$4.00 per 10	
Downing	Yellow
Josselyn	Red
Houghton's	Red

GRAPES

50c cents each \$4.50 per ten; \$35.00 per hundred	
Concord	Purple Delaware Red
Worden	Purple Brighton Red
Moore's Early	Purple Niagara White

Our customers and prospective customers will always find that our prices are as low if not lower than those of any other reliable and responsible nurserymen in the country.

STRAWBERRIES

The following list of strawberries have proven the best commercially out of several varieties which we have tested.

	Hundred	Thousand
Pocomoke	\$1.25	\$9.00
Abington	1.25	9.00
Sample	1.25	9.00
Golden Gate	1.25	9.00
Brandywine	1.25	9.00
Howard No. 17	2.00	12.00
Progressive (Everbearing)	2.00	12.00
Superb (Everbearing)	2.00	

RASPBERRIES

	Color	Dozen	Hundred	Thousand
Cuthbert	Red	\$.75	\$4.00	\$25.00
Perfection	Red	.75	4.00	25.00
St. Regis	Red	.75	4.00	30.00
Plum Farmer	Black	.75	4.00	30.00
Columbian	Purple	.75	4.00	30.00

Without a doubt, Raspberries are the best paying of all small fruits—the Cuthbert and Perfection leading; the St. Regis proving unequal to the others as a money-maker.

BLACKBERRIES

	Color	Dozen	Hundred	Thousand
Eldorado	Black	\$.75	\$5.00	\$40.00

CURRENTS

\$.30 cents each \$2.50 per ten; \$20.00 per hundred			
Wilder	Red	Fay's Prolific	Red
\$.50 cents each; \$4.50 per 10			
Perfection	Red	Black Champion	Black

ORNAMENTAL TREES

		Each
Carolina Poplars	8-10 ft.	\$.75
Carolina Poplars	10-12 ft.	1.00
Lombardy Poplars	8-10 ft.	.75
Lombardy Poplars	10-12 ft.	1.00
Norway Maple	8-10 ft.	1.25
Norway Maple	10-12 ft.	1.50
Wier's Cut-Leaf Maple	8-10 ft.	1.25
Silver Leaf Maple	8-10 ft.	1.25
Catalpa Speciosa	6-8 ft.	.75
Catalpa Speciosa	8-10 ft.	1.00
Catalpa (Weeping)	6-8 ft.	2.00
Cut-Leaf Weeping Birch	8-10 ft.	1.75
Camperdown Elm (Weeping)	5-6 ft.	2.00
Bechtel's Crab	3-4 ft.	1.50
Prunus Pisardi, Purple Plum	4-5 ft.	1.25
Mountain Ash	8-10 ft.	1.25
Colorado Blue Spruce	2½-3 ft.	4.00
Koster's Blue Spruce	2½-3 ft.	5.00
Koster's Blue Spruce	1½-2 ft.	3.50
Norway Spruce	2-3 ft.	.75
Norway Spruce	3-4 ft.	1.00
Retinospora Filifera	2-3 ft.	2.00
Retinospora Filifera	1½-2 ft.	1.50
Retinospora Plumosa Aurea	2-3 ft.	2.00
Retinospora Plumosa Aurea	1½-2 ft.	1.50
American Arbor Vitæ	2-3 ft.	.75
Golden Arbor Vitæ	1½-2 ft.	1.25
Juniper Irish	1½-2½ ft.	1.25

HEDGE PLANTS

		Hundred
California Privet	12-18 in.	\$6.00
California Privet	18-24 in.	7.00
California Privet	24-36 in.	8.00
Thunberg's Barberry	10-12 in.	15.00
Thunberg's Barberry	12-18 in.	20.00
Thunberg's Barberry	18-24 in. extra heavy	25.00

This is the spring for you to plant that hedge.

REMEMBER IT IS FOR YOUR OWN PERSONAL INTEREST TO ORDER EARLY. MAIL YOUR LIST IMMEDIATELY--WE WILL TELL YOU JUST WHAT WE CAN DO.

HARDY FLOWERING SHRUBS

Hydrangea Tree	2-3 ft.	.50
Hydrangea Tree	3-4 ft.	.75
Prices of Shrubs, unless otherwise stated, 2-3 ft. \$.50 each, 10 for \$4.50		
Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora		
Hydrangea Hills of Snow		
Butterfly Bush	Lilac	
Sweet Scented Shrub		
Spiraea Anthony Waterer	Rose	
Spiraea Billardi	Rose	
Spiraea Van Houttei	White	
Spiraea Bridal Wreath	White	
Spiraea Aurea	Golden	
Spiraea Frobelli	Deep Red Foliage	
Spiraea Colossa	White	
Spiraea Thunbergii		
Althea	Purple, Red and White	
Dogwood	Red	
Japan Quince	Scarlet	
Lilac	Purple, White and Red	
Golden Glow		
Rose Almond	White Almond	
Common Snowball		
Japan Snowball		
Mock Orange	White	
Common Barberry		
Purple Barberry		
Tartarian Honeysuckle	White or Pink	
Deutzia, Pride of Rochester	White	
Deutzia Crenata	White	
Weigela Rosea	Rose	
Weigela Floribunda	Crimson	
Weigela Variegated Leaved	Pink	
Weigela Eva Rathka	Dark Red	
Forsythia Fortunei	Yellow	
Garland Syringa	White	
Golden Syringa		
Smoke Tree	Purple Fringe	
Snowberry	Red and White	

ASPARAGUS

		Hundred	Thousand
Strong 2 year crowns, \$.75 per 25			
Conover's Colossal	\$2.00		\$10.00
Palmetto			

RHUBARB OR PIE PLANT

Linnaeus	20 cents each	\$1.50 per 10
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PHLOX

Price 25c each	Strong, Field Grown
Pink, Lavender Red, Purple, White	

RAMBLER ROSES

		\$.75 cents each; \$7.00 per 10
Crimson Baby Rambler	Baltimore Belle, Pink	
White Baby Rambler	Hiawatha, Carmine	
Pink Baby Rambler	Seven Sisters, Pink	
Crimson Rambler	Tausendschon	
Yellow Rambler	Dr. Van Fleet, Red	
Dorothy Perkins, Pink		
Dorothy Perkins, White		
Dorothy Perkins (Excelsa) Red		
Queen of the Prairie, Rosy Red		
Climbing American Beauty		

All our Roses are 2 year, field grown, strong, healthy plants. We know you will be pleased with them. Send us your list now. To be certain of varieties, please name substitutes to avoid delay in shipment, for we will not substitute without your permission.

Dear Sirs: It is indeed a pleasure to testify to the high quality of J. R. Houston and Sons' fruit trees and to their prompt and courteous treatment. The greater part of my orchard of one thousand trees at Lake's Pond, Connecticut, was from the Houston Nurseries. Cordially, STRONG G. GARDNER.

New Rochelle, N. Y., January 31, 1921.

HYBRID PERPETUAL ROSES

\$.75 cents each; \$7.00 per 10

White Killarney	White	2 yr. field grown
Magna Charta	Pink	" " " "
Ulrich Brunner	Crimson	" " " "
Anne de Diesbach	Carmine	" " " "
Paul Neyron	Pink	" " " "
Mrs. John Laing	Pink	" " " "
Madame Plantier	White	" " " "
Soleil de Orr	Yellow	" " " "
Gruss and Teplitz	Maroon	" " " "
Fisher Holmes	Crimson	" " " "
Margaret Dickson	White	" " " "
Pink Killarney	Pink	" " " "
Prince Camille de Rohan	Maroon	" " " "
Gloire Lyonnaise	White	" " " "
Frau Karl Druschki	White	" " " "
Gen. Jacqueminot	Scarlet	" " " "
Marshall P. Wilder	Red	" " " "
Kaiserin Augusta Victoria	White	" " " "
Harrison's Yellow	Golden	" " " "

HARDY CLIMBING VINES

Matrimony Vine	2 yr. strong stock	\$.65
Purple Wisteria	" " " "	.65
White Wisteria	" " " "	.65
Boston Ivy	" " " "	.65
Trumpet Vine	" " " "	.65
White Clematis	" " " "	.65
Purple Clematis	" " " "	.65
Dutchman's Pipe	" " " "	.75
Japan Honeysuckle	" " " "	.65

PEONIES—The Plants for All Purposes

Prices same as Shrubs
Assorted, Red, Pink, White

Storrs, Conn., February 4, 1921.

Mr. Byron Houston,
Houston's Nurseries, Mansfield, Conn.
My dear Mr. Houston:

The guarantee printed in many nursery catalogues is not sufficient protection for the grower who plants trees, waits several years and then discovers that his varieties are not true to name. The replacement cost of the trees is not sufficient reimbursement for the time and labor expended upon such untrue stock. The nurseryman who stands back of his trees and is willing to reimburse the grower to the extent of his loss is to be commended.

Nursery stock which is guaranteed true to name, must, of necessity, cost the nurseryman more to grow, and the buyer must be willing to pay the increased cost of such trees. The smaller nurseryman has the advantage in the growing of "true to name" stock, over the larger grower, because he can give the work his personal attention.

With best regards for your success, I am,

Yours very truly,

S. P. HOLLISTER,
Professor of Pomology,
Connecticut Agricultural College,

Marlboro, N. Y., February 4, 1921.

Gentlemen:

I was exceedingly well pleased with the peach trees which I purchased from you. They were fine healthy trees and made a remarkable growth—much to my satisfaction.

Truly yours,

WM. FOWLER, JR.

Shoreham, Vt., January 31, 1921.

Dear Sirs: The McIntosh, N. Spy and Delicious trees I received from you came through in fine shape and were a very uniform lot with good roots and tops. We did not lose a single tree and all made good growth.

Very truly yours,

WM. J. ANDERSON,
DIAMOND ORCHARDS.

Danbury, Conn., January 30, 1921.

Gentlemen: The apple trees we purchased from you last year made an excellent growth, better in fact than trees purchased elsewhere. We are planning on setting 300 to 400 more this year, and if you can supply our wants, expect to purchase them all from you.

Yours truly, BENJ. BRUNDAGE & SONS.

Per H. A. Brundage,

and A. J. Brundage, Extension Dept. Conn. Agr. College.

Southington, Conn., February 7th, 1921.

Dear Sirs: We are pleased at the growth which has developed from the trees purchased from you last spring, and can truthfully recommend your stock to prospective purchasers as being strong and healthy and to our experience true to name.

Yours very truly,

LAKE VIEW FARM, ELIJAH ROGERS, Prop.
Ex-President of Conn. Pomological Society.

Washington, N. J., February 8, 1921.

Gentlemen: During the last few years I have purchased apple trees from three of the largest and best nurseries in the country, and have been pleased with them. Everything taken into account, I consider the ones I purchased from you the best I have ever secured. I am planning to send another order to you in a very few weeks.

Sincerely, S. M. TRESSLER,

Supervisor of Schools.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Official Business.

Penalty for private use to avoid the
payment of postage, \$300.