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The Glory of the Garden

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BERLIN, N.Y.

BERLIN is in Rensselaer County, New York, near the boundry line between New York and Massachusetts.

Especially fine highways radiate from the important cities and towns in this vicinity, permitting comfortable motoring through our section from Albany, Troy and other eastern New York points, Pittsfield and western Mass., as well as from the Berkshire summer resorts.

My friends are invited to visit Meadowvale Farms during August and early September when my *Gladiolus* fields are in full bloom. Visitors are always welcome and I am sure you will be amply repaid for including Berlin in your summer itinerary.

Many persons have availed themselves of the opportunity of motoring to my fields, and are now regular annual visitors.

COWEE'S SCARLET WONDER.

(Seedling 1155)

See description page 7. Those who have seen this variety pronounce it the most beautiful Scarlet they have ever seen. A few testimonials from the many received, and published herein will give a faint idea of its intrinsic value.

I got some of your 'Scarlet Wonder' gladiolus bulbs this spring, and want you to know that I never saw anything finer in scarlet or red: the largest flower I ever saw, and extra strong healthy grower. Don't think you can praise them any too high. Have shown them to several gladiolus growers, and all wish to know from whom I purchased them. It is well named, a Wonder".—P. N. ELMORE, Washington, Nov. 12, 1923.

**ARTHUR COWEE
MEADOWVALE FARMS
BERLIN, N. Y.**

LOWER lovers of today, are so generally familiar with the Glad-iolus, that an introduction from me is quite unnecessary.

Its easy culture, under most soil and climatic conditions, combined with the attributes of the plant and flower, reasonable cost of bulbs, of such varied forms and colors, makes it truly the "people's flower".

My experience in selecting varieties from the world's best Hybridizers, as well as originating here at Meadowvale Farms, has extended over a number of years—in fact my industry is the development of a fad cherished from boyhood.

Having experienced the thrills and disappointments which are most always the heritage of the amateur, I feel that I can care for the wants of this class of growers in a satisfactory manner, with a minimum number of disappointments if the buyer will but let me know just what he wishes.

We try to describe varieties accurately, but sometimes local soil conditions intensify, or dull the colors, which must be taken into consideration.

Every bulb I send out is mature, sound, of the very best quality, and selected from the varieties that have proved satisfactory and reliable under the hardest conditions.

Quality of bloom is dependent on quality of bulbs, and Cowee grown bulbs are the best that it is humanly possible to produce.

Let Me Have Your Order Early. Those who wait until the planting season comes cannot get some of the varieties they most ardently desire. An early order insures against this disappointment.

HOW TO GROW AND CARE FOR THE GLADIOLUS

THE Gladiolus will grow and bloom in almost any kind of soil if only it can have full exposure to the sun. It requires no "fussing" over. It is singularly free from disease or insect pests. It will stand more dry weather than most flowers. It will even survive outright neglect, returning good for evil by its wonderful bloom.

At the same time, no plant responds more quickly or satisfactorily to good treatment. It likes best a rich, sandy loam. If your soil is heavy or stiff, work in a liberal amount of sand. If it is very light and sandy, spade in a liberal amount of well-rotted manure in the fall. Best results are obtained by preparing the beds in the fall. This is especially true when thoroughly rotted manure is not to be obtained and fresh manure must be used.

With a well prepared bed in a sunny exposure the measure of your success with Gladioli rests wholly in the quality of your bulbs. I have found by experience that a great many people fail to understand the vital importance of these brown-husked treasure boxes, in which are locked the plants for which they have made such careful preparation. To them bulbs are just "bulbs", either large or small as the case may be, and the larger bulbs are necessarily the best. Nothing could be farther from the truth. Small bulbs, properly grown, cured and stored, will often throw up plants and flowers twice the size of

The blooming season of my new Gladiolus 'Coivee's Scarlet Wonder' is over. The most magnificent scarlet gladiolus I have ever seen. Never have I seen any like it at the Gladiolus shows held here. Buds like rose buds, flowers measuring four to six inches across, petals of the texture of velvet and of the most brilliant velvety scarlet. Truly the variety is rightly named. Fine for the garden and for cutting."—Miss J. KEYES, New York, Sept. 30, 1923.

large bulbs which have been poorly grown and improperly cared for. Hence the necessity of securing your bulbs from a dealer who can and will guarantee them to be strictly first-class. No matter from whom you get them, if they are not firm and heavy, send them back. Soft, light bulbs will never make strong plants. The best of soil is useless unless the bulbs put in it have within themselves the vigor to make the most of it.

Growing Gladiolus bulbs is my business. The glorious flowers which bring a constant stream of visitors to Meadowvale Farms from long distances every summer are merely a by-product. My whole thought and attention is concentrated on growing the bulbs, to the end that my customers may grow just as fine flowers as I can.

With your bed prepared, and sure of the quality of your bulbs, the next step is the planting. In the latitude of northern New York this may be any time from the middle of April to the middle of May, whenever the frost is wholly out of the ground. Farther south earlier planting is advisable. For succession of bloom, bulbs may be set at intervals up to the 15th of June. The smaller bulbs should be set 2 inches deep, and the very large ones twice that depth.

In planting small beds I have found it an excellent plan to remove the soil to the required depth, lay down an inch of sand over the exposed surface, set the bulbs at proper intervals, pointed side up, replace the soil and firm down

"Cowees 'Scarlet Wonder' is certainly well named, for it is a wonder, and was the choice of 90% of the visitors who saw it in my garden, growing among 160 varieties. The bloom measured 6½ inches. I harvested a three inch bulb, and 53 bulb-lets from the bulb you sent me."—GEO. H. BRINNINSTOOL, Michigan, Dec. 24, 1923.

thoroughly. Mass effects are best obtained in round, oblong or square beds. For cutting purposes plant in single rows, 4 inches apart in the row, and rows 12 inches apart, or in double rows 18 inches apart.

A succession of bloom from the middle of July until frost may be obtained by planting early and late varieties together, and also by setting the first bulbs 8 inches apart in the row and two or three weeks later making a new planting between these. Gladioli are also very effective in clumps and among other plants in the herbaceous border. When used in this way, set the bulbs 4 to 6 inches apart each way.

See that the plants have plenty of water when they first appear above ground and later when the flower-spikes begin to show color. Keep free from weeds. If this is done they will require no further care. However, an occasional stirring of the soil around them will be an advantage, as it tends to keep the top-soil finely pulverized, forming a dust mulch which helps to retain moisture.

After the blooming season is over the bulbs should be allowed to ripen. It is not necessary, however, to wait for the plants to die before harvesting. They should be lifted carefully, shaken free of earth and allowed to dry in the sun for a day or two. Then cut the stalks off close to the bulbs, put the latter in open boxes or shallow baskets, and store in a cool, dry place. Through the winter examine them occasionally to see that they are not becoming too dry or absorbing too much moisture.

"The two bulbs of 'Cowee's Scarlet Wonder' you sent me in March last were true to description, and are certainly the strongest gladioli of any color I ever saw. I won 1st at Guelph Gladiolus Show for the best spike of any color, also 2nd for the largest floret in the show. I am well pleased with it and want to know what you will let me have one, two or four doz. for."—WILLIAM HARTLY, Ontario, Canada, Aug. 27, 1923.

COWEE'S NAMED GLADIOLI;

THE CREAM OF THE WORLD'S VERY BEST VARIETIES

Afterglow. Tall growing. Flowers large; salmon-fawn, with violet center.

60 cts. each, \$6.00 per doz.

Alba Dea. Fine ivory-white large flowers.
\$1.00 each, \$10.00 per doz.

America. Soft lavender-pink, almost a tinted white. A variety that has attracted a great deal of attention since the day of its introduction.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Attraction. Dark, rich crimson, with white center and throat.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Augusta. Pure white with blue anthers.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Ave Maria. An early bloomer; medium sized flowers; ground-color white, marked with fine lines of pink.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Baltimore. Light salmon, throat marked with deeper salmon on a cream-colored ground; tall spike and immense flowers; normally an erect grower.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Baron Hulot. Rich royal dark violet, bordering on blue.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Berkshire. Delicate shade of pink, lower petals penciled with dark pink, pointed with canary-yellow; large, well-opened flowers. A strong, upright grower.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Blue Jay. Best blue offered. Vigorous, tall, handsome. A striking variety when planted in masses.

75 cts. each, \$7.50 per doz.

Brenchleyensis. Brilliant vermillion scarlet.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Burrell Dark red, butterfly markings.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

"Some five years ago I bought from you four bulbs of 'Peachblow' together with a number of the older varieties. I want to tell you that the four Peachblow have increased until I have forty large and small. It is not only very beautiful, but the best reproducing variety I know of."—CHAS. L. DE L., Minn., Sept. 8, 1923.

California. Deep lavender-pink, white throat markings.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

Carmen Sylva. Pure snow-white, throat slightly penciled lilac. Tall, slender and wiry stem, excellent for cutting.

35 cts. each, \$3.50 per doz.

Charmer. White, flaked lilac. Large flower, strong spike.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz.

Conspicuous. Medium sized flowers of grayish blue, with darker blue throat markings, and a fine penciling of yellow.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Cowee's Scarlet Wonder. (Seedling 1155) This is without doubt the most beautiful scarlet variety yet introduced. Plant four to five feet high, with broad stalky dark green foliage, and compact truss of great rich velvety scarlet firey crimson flowers.

\$1.00 each, \$10.00 per doz.

Crackerjack. Dark red, throat spotted with yellow and maroon.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Crimson Glow. Deep scarlet, large open flowers of good form well arranged on a tall spike.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz.

Dawn. Delicate salmon, shading to white inside, claret stain on inferior petals.

50 cents each, \$5.00 per doz.

Dimmock, A. Delicate salmon, deepening in throat.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz., \$20.00 per 100.

Display. Strong, tall plant; medium-sized flowers; almost pure white, blotched dark violet crimson.

50 cents each, \$5.00 per doz.

Elizabeth Gerberding. Shell pink, heavily ruffled, shading into rose on the outer edges.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Empress of India. Velvety dark red, with a purplish tinge; dwarf; early bloomer.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Evolution Perfectus. This improved type carries the valuable characteristic of its parent, Evolution. Very large flowers; delicate rose-color, at times blotched white.

50 cts. each, \$5.00 per doz.

Excelsa. A pleasing shade of rose-pink relieved by a white blotch, lined rose.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Fairfax. Solid magenta, lower petals deep ruby, circled with cream.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz.

Giant Pink. Dark pink, throat marked with dark red.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

George Paul. Crimson, stained yellow, spotted with purple

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Gil Blas. Early dwarf plant bearing medium sized flowers of salmon rose, with bright red blotch on primrose ground.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Glory. Flowers large; creamy white, crimson stripe in center of each petal; ends of petals ruffled.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Glory of Holland. Pure white with lavender anthers; blooms midseason.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Gretchen Zang. Graceful spike, with medium sized flowers of a pleasing shade of geranium pink, with carmine throat markings.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Greylock. Creamy white, stained maroon.

25cts. each, \$2.50 per doz., \$20.00 per 100.

Halley. Salmon-pink, creamy blotch, dark red stripes on lower petals; early.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Herada. Large flowers of pure mauve, with deeper throat markings; tall straight spike.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Independence. Brilliant begonia pink, with richly marked throat.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Intensity. Rich light scarlet, lower petals spotted with white.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Jean Dieulafoy. Creamy white, stained maroon. Flowers large; nearly all the buds on the long spikes will open after cutting.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

Joe. Coleman. Very large and vigorous rich red.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz., \$20.00 per 100.

La Camellia. Strong grower; early bloomer; medium-sized flowers of cream-white, relieved by a claret stain on the lower petals.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Lacordaire. Brilliant, flaming vermilion, self-colored; one of the early flowering varieties.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

La Luna. White, small brown markings in throat; extra fine.

40 cts. each, \$4.00 per doz., \$30.00 per 100.

Lavendula. Large, well-opened flowers of a pale lavender shade, with a large cream blotch in throat, the petals sometimes become flecked with carmine.

50 cts. each, \$5.00 per doz.

Le Marechal Foch. Large flowers of soft shell pink, well arranged on an unusually strong straight spike.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Liberty. Dark red, white throat; remarkably strong grower.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz., \$20.00 per 100.

Lily Lehmann. White, tinged rose: large flowers, Dwarf: early.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Lillian Webb. Strawberry pink with carmine velvety centers, overlaid with maroon and brownish stripes.

6 cts. each, 60 cts. per doz., \$4.00 per 100.

London. Large flowers of perfect form; delicate lilac-rose flush on white ground. A beautiful type.

75 cts. each, \$7.50 per doz., \$50.00 per 100.

Madam Lemoiner. White tinted lemon; very early.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Mary Fennell. Beautiful light lavender flowers on a tall slender spike; lower petals penciled with primrose yellow.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Meadowvale. Pure white, touched with crimson in throat; lower petals marked with faint pink.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

Mrs. Dr. Norton. Creamy white, tips of petals suffused La France pink. The lower petals blotched with sulphur yellow.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz., \$20.00 per 100.

Mrs. Feyen Perrin. Clear salmon, spotted strawberry-red.

30 cts. each, \$3.00 per doz.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Jr. Delicate flushed salmon-pink, extending to the reverse side of the petal. Rich maroon blotch on the three lower petals.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Mrs. Francis King. A pleasing light scarlet; flowers large, well expanded; tall, straight spike.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Mrs. Francis Sprague. Light mauve, with claret throat markings.

75 cts. each, \$7.50 per doz.

Mrs. S. Saunders. Strong plant, dark green foliage. Flowers large, and nearly pure white, with a light lavender tint on lower petal.

50 cts. each \$5.00 per doz.

Negerfurst. Very dark, velvety red flowers, well arranged on a slender but strong spike.

25 cts. each, \$2.50 per doz.

Niagara. Magnificent, large flowers; soft prim-rose-yellow, tinged rose-pink in the throat and penciled with carmine.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Panama. A seedling of America, resembling the parent variety except that it is a much deeper pink.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Papilio Rose. A very charming variety and a hybrid of the species *Papilio major*. It is practically one color—a pale rose-pink, but a zone of creamy white gives a blotch effect on the inferior petals of the original body-color.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

Peace. This is one of the famous Groff hybrids, and I believe it is one of the grandest varieties ever introduced. The flowers are unusually large, and borne on a strong, upright spike; they are almost pure white, with a delicate lilac feathering on the inferior petals. For cutting, this variety is unsurpassed.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$4.00 per 100

Peachblow. Attractive flower of a peach-blossom-pink, lined violet. Most valuable for cutting.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Princeps. Rich crimson, with white blotches.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Prince of Wales. An early variety. Flowers delicate apricot-pink, suffused salmon.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Princess Altieri. White, shaded with carmine.

One of Le Moine's standard varieties.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Principine. Medium sized flowers of carmine red, with white blotch.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz.

Prosperity. This variety so daintily beautiful is difficult to describe. Flowers are large; color bright rose, shading to madder-lake, except on the last segment which has a chamois-yellow base. The anthers are quite pronounced violet.

\$1.50 each, \$15.00 per doz.

Prophetesse. Pearly white, with crimson throat; early. A very dainty Le Moine variety.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz. \$4.00 per 100.

Rosella. Light rose, stained purple and white.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

Rutland. Practically one color—a deep claret, the lower petals marked with a small yellow line

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Schwaben. Large flowers of clear citron-yellow with a small blotch of garnet in the throat. Buds all showing color at once.

6 cts. each, 60 cts. per doz., \$5.00 per 100.

Scarsdale. Pink-lavender, shaded dark rose.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Silver Star. Large, white flowers, flecked with pale lilac, and are of remarkable substance; a vigorous, strong grower.

75 cts. each, \$7.50 per doz.

Snowbird. An exceptionally pure white, with pale lilac lines on the inferior petals.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Taconic. Pink, marked with deep crimson and thin stripe of pale yellow.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

Victory Dainty sulphur yellow, lower petals a deeper shade

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$4.00 per 100

Vivid. Plant is normally erect and of good constitution; the flower is round and well placed on the spike; rich, velvety purple.

15 cts. each, \$1.50 per doz., \$10.00 per 100.

War. A magnificent dark variety, often six feet tall with large flowers of deep blood red shading to crimson black, without any distinct markings.

10 cts. each, \$1.00 per doz., \$7.50 per 100.

COWEE'S COLLECTIONS OF THE BEST GLADIOLI.

FEW flowers, if any, show the infinite variety in colors and markings possessed by the Gladioli. There is literally no end to them. For this reason it is impossible to list more than a comparatively few of the very best, and the descriptions of these must be brief and wholly inadequate. I am aware that they furnish an insufficient guide to the one not already familiar with the named varieties. For this reason, and also to introduce a number of unlisted varieties of real worth, I have prepared several collections to meet the requirements of those whose space is limited, and who therefore want only the very choicest, and of those who desire to plant in large quantities for mass effect in color. I have no hesitancy in saying that you will be absolutely satisfied with any of these collections which you may select. They represent what, in my opinion, is typical and best of the various classes of this flower

The Gold Medal Collection is made up entirely of named varieties and in the selection of these only the very best in point of size, color and type of flower and in strength of plant have been considered. The Silver Trophy Strain is from selected seedlings instead of named varieties. As in the Gold Medal Collection, these are grouped in color sections and are wonderfully beautiful.

The Glory of the Garden Collection, which embraces many varieties not included in the other collections. I have spent many hours in the fields selecting the sorts that are worthy of becoming a part of this new collection, and I consider that this assortment embraces the very cream of all the Gladioli grown at Meadowvale Farms.

COWEE'S GOLD MEDAL COLLECTION.

The flowers are of largest size in their respective types, and plants of great vigor and vitality. No better value could be desired. The Gold Medal Collection is offered in lots of 25, 50, 75 and 100 bulbs or upwards. Every collection is separately prepared, and in orders of 1,000 or more few duplicates will be found.

Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$3.25, or 50 bulbs \$6.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$12. If by express, 25 at 100 rate.

THE GOLD MEDAL COLLECTION IN COLOR SECTIONS

1. **Selected New Dark Hybrids.** All shades and combinations of red, scarlet and crimson. Quality the very highest. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$2.75, or 50 bulbs \$5.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$10.
2. **Selected New White, Light and Yellow Hybrids.** No equal value offered elsewhere or otherwise obtainable. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$3.25, or 50 bulbs \$6.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$12.
3. **Selected New Blue Hybrids.** Not offered elsewhere in the world (no smoky or slate-blues). Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$4, or 50 bulbs \$7.75. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$15. If by express, 25 at 100 rate.

GLORY OF THE GARDEN COLLECTION

This is an entirely new collection, representing years of selection from the best among thousands of hybrids. The varieties offered are the most advanced type of the perfected Gladiolus. They are distinct from my other collections, with fully as wide a range in colors. New developments in brilliant hues, worthy of a place in the choicest collection of the amateur or professional grower, will be found in this assortment. I can most heartily commend the "Glory of the Garden Collection" to all who are looking for something out of the ordinary. By mail, 25 bulbs \$6.50, postpaid; \$25 per 100, by express collect.

COWEE'S THREE-DOLLAR COLLECTION

For my friends who wish to try a half-dozen of the latest novelties I have selected these as representing the very best of the recent introductions. One bulb of each, postpaid, for \$3.

Afterglow.

Evolution Perfectus.

Mrs. S. Saunders.

Cowee's Scarlet Wonder

London.

Peachblow.

COWEE'S IMPERIAL TWO- DOLLAR COLLECTION

For this collection I have selected six of the finest kinds of new Gladioli. One extra-choice bulb of each of these will be sent by mail, postpaid for only \$2.

Blue Jay.

Display.

Geylock.

Mrs. Feyen Perrin.

La Luna.

Negerfurst.

COWEE'S NOVELTY DOLLAR COLLECTION

Composed of six fine sorts, selected to cover a rich range of color. For \$1, I will send, postpaid, one fine bulb of each of the following named varieties:

Baltimore.

Herada.

Berkshire.

Silver Star.

Burrell.

Victory.

EVERYBODY'S INTRO- DUCTORY COLLECTION

I have called the *Gladiolus* "Everybody's Flower". I want everybody to know it for what it is. In making "Everybody's Introductory Collection", I have selected ten named varieties, which I believe will be fairly typical of the different classes of *Gladioli*. Postpaid, one bulb of each, 75 cts.

Baron Hulot.

Niagara.

Elizabeth Gerberding.

Prince of Wales.

Excelsa.

Peace.

Rutland.

Snowbird.

Vivid.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Jr.

COWEE'S SILVER TROPHY STRAIN

In the three classifications as given in this list, you have an assortment of colors that will make a most charming grouping in any part of your garden.

If by express, 25 at 100 rate.

1. **Newest Reds, Scarlets and Crimsons.** The world's commercial strains offer few equal to and none better than these. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1, or 50 bulbs \$1.75. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$3.

2. **New White, Light and Yellow.** All shades of white, cream and yellow in many combinations, relieved by stains and blotches of rich colors. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1.25, or 50 bulbs \$2.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs, \$4.

3. **Rare Blues in Clematis, Lilac and Heliotrope Shades.** New hybrids of *Papilio major*. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1.75, or 50 bulbs \$3.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$6.

PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS

This is the new race of Gladioli which has attracted the attention of flower lovers probably more than any other, on account of its exceptional artistic qualities both as to flower and spike, as well as color.

No other strain has yet been produced to equal it. The various forms of flowers and the exquisite colors are indescribable.

These I offer in two collections, both of which contain extra fine quality, and a wide range of colors and forms.

Extra Primulinus Hybrids.

20 cts. each, \$2.00 per doz., \$15.00 per 100.

Primulinus Hybrids.

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., \$3.00 per 100.

Meadowvale Mixture. This includes the largest number of magnificent varieties of any popular mixture.

\$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1000

MIXTURES TO COLOR

Extra White and Light Shades.

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Extra Scarlet and Red Shades.

\$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1000

Extra Pink and Rose Shades.

\$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1000

Extra Orange and Yellow Shades.

\$5.00 per 100, \$45.00 per 1000

JUST HOW TO ORDER

ORDER EARLY. This is important from your standpoint and mine. By so doing you insure getting just what you want, whereas late orders cannot always be properly executed, especially those received on the very edge of the planting season. At that time I may be out of certain choice varieties, perhaps the very ones you want most.

If substitutions are necessary by reason of prior sale of varieties ordered, unless otherwise advised I will make such substitutions according to my best judgment?

Bulbs for greenhouse forcing are ready for shipping in the late fall as soon as thoroughly cured. To encourage large plantings, all prices quoted are practically wholesale, quality taken into consideration.

I shall be pleased to make selections for anyone so desiring, if advised as to colors preferred, space to cover, and amount to spend.

My mailing-size bulbs are much larger than those sent out by most growers, but still larger bulbs can be sent by express, and I advise having shipments made in this way wherever possible.

SPECIAL DISCOUNT TO SEEDSMEN and to those ordering in lots of 5,000 or more.

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CAREFULLY SIGN YOUR NAME, post-office, county and state. Write clearly. Address all letters to:

ARTHUR COWEE

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