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The Glory of the Garden

PRICE LIST

1926

FOR the year 1926 I have made some changes in prices, and have added several varieties which I have thoroughly tested, and can recommend.

Among all of the thousands of varieties, I have yet to find a scarlet which can compare with "COWEE'S SCARLET WONDER," and to those who have not grown it, I would say, if you give me a trial order this year, and you are not perfectly satisfied that you have received full value, you may return the bulbs at harvest time, with their increase, and I will gladly refund the price you paid. I shall be grateful also, if I am advised of any error which might be made by us, so that the same may be rectified. The careful selection of seed is one of the principal causes for increased production as well as perfection in quality, size and general improvement. This principle I proved several years ago in the selection of Golden Bantam Sweet Corn, which many of my customers remember.

I have been making further tests, especially on the lines of earliness, and now offer a yellow corn fully as sweet as the best Golden Bantam, bearing larger ears, ten, twelve, fourteen and sixteen rows of kernels, instead of eight as is usually the case with the latter. This corn is ready for use from a week to ten days earlier than Golden Bantam. Every ear is examined, from which butts and tips are removed, ensuring a much higher percentage of germination.

Prices below are postpaid to any part of the United States.

4 ounces, enough for 100 hills	\$.40
8 ounces, enough for 200 hills	.75
12 ounces, enough for 300 hills	1.00
16 ounces, enough for 400 hills	1.20

Orders may be sent separately or with orders for bulbs, if the latter, sufficient bulbs will be included to cover postage on seeds.

MIXED DELPHINIUM SEED. (HARDY)

I am offering a large trade packet of Hardy Delphinium seed from my private collection, at 25 cents per packet postpaid.

Fine plants, one and two years old (clumps) \$2.00 per dozen, shipment via express.

Berlin is in Rensselaer County, New York, near the boundary 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 Massachusetts, 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.

ARTHUR COWEE

MEADOWVALE FARMS

BERLIN, N. Y.

COWEE'S NAMED GLADIOLI

THE CREAM OF THE WORLD'S VERY BEST VARIETIES

For more complete descriptions, see 1924 Catalog.

	Each	Doz.	100
Afterglow. Salmon-fawn.....	\$.60	\$ 6.00	....
America. Soft lavender-pink.....	.05	.50	3.00
American Beauty. American Beauty color. Throat creamy yellow striped with Ruby	.25	2.50	....
Anna Eberius. Deep Rhodamine-purple, with pansy purple blotch in throat. Creates a sensation where grown.....	.25	2.50	....
Attraction. Dark, rich crimson.....	.05	.50	3.00
Augusta. Pure white, with blue anthers.....	.05	.50	3.00
Ave Maria. Ground-color white.....	.05	.50	3.00
Baltimore. Light salmon.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Baron Hulot. Dark violet, bordering on blue..	.10	1.00	7.50
Berkshire. Delicate shade of pink.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Blue Jay. Best blue.....	.50	5.00	....
Burrell. Dark red	.05	.50	3.00
California. Deep lavender-pink.....	.20	2.00	15.00
Captain Boynton. Light lavender, blotched deeper lavender in throat. Large flowers well arranged on a strong spike	.50	5.00	....
Carmen Sylva. Snow-white.....	.35	3.50	....
Catherina. A wonderful grayish-lavender, low- er petals darker with a mahogany- red blotch.....	.25	2.50	....
Charmer. White, flaked lilac.....	.25	2.50	....
Conspicuous. Grayish blue.....	.10	1.00	....
Cowee's Scarlet Wonder. This is without doubt the most beau- tiful scarlet variety yet introduced. Plant four to five feet high, with broad stalky dark green foliage, and compact truss of great rich velvety scarlet fiery crimson flowers.....	.60	6.00	....
Crackerjack. Dark red.....	.05	.50	3.00
Crimson Glow. Deep scarlet.....	.10	1.00	....
Dawn. Delicate salmon.....	.50	5.00	....
Display. Pure white, blotched crimson.....	.50	5.00	....
E. J. Shaylor. Tall spike. Large flowers. Beautiful deep rose-pink, shading to lighter rose	.10	1.00	....
Elora. Medium size florets of creamy white, throat overlaid with American Beauty pink	.10	1.00	....
Elizabeth Gerberding. Shell pink, ruffled....	.10	1.00	7.50
Empress of India. Velvety dark red.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Evolution Perfectus. Delicate rose color....	.50	5.00	....
Excelsa. Rose pink.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Fairfax. Magenta	.15	1.50	....
Flora. Large flowers of a beautiful golden yellow. Very strong grower.....	.10	1.00	....
George Paul. Crimson.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Giant Pink. Dark pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Gil Blas. Salmon rose.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Glory. Creamy white, ruffled.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Glory of Holland. Pure White.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Golden Measure. Large flowers, pure golden yellow, strong spike and foliage....	.15	1.50	....
Gretchen Zang. Geranium pink.....	.05	.50	3.50
Greylock. Creamy white.....	.25	2.50	20.00
Halley. Salmon pink.....	.05	.50	3.00
Herada. Pure mauve.....	.10	1.00	7.50

COWEE'S NAMED GLADIOLI, continued

	Each	Doz.	100
Hoosick. (New) An exceptionally strong grower, with large spike and broad dark green foliage. Twenty to twenty-six large flowers to the spike, six to eight open at one time. Color, pale lemon yellow, fading to white, petals bordered with carmine. A most unusual and attractive variety.....	\$3.00	\$30.00	.....
Hubertus. Fine blue and mauve. Strong grower: early bloomer.....	.10	1.50	....
Independence. Begonia pink.....	.05	.50	3.00
Intensity. Light scarlet.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Jean Dieulafoy. Creamy white.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Joe Coleman. Rich red.....	.15	1.50	10.00
La Camellia. Cream-white.....	.05	.50	3.00
Lacordaire. Brilliant, flaming vermillion.....	.20	2.00	15.00
La Luna. White, extra fine.....	.40	4.00	....
Lavendula. Large, pale lavender.....	.50	5.00	....
Le Marechal Foch. Soft shell pink.....	.05	.50	3.50
Liberty. Dark red.....	.25	2.50	....
Lily Lehmann. White.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Lillian Webb. Strawberry pink.....	.06	.60	4.00
London. Delicate Lilac-rose flush.....	.75	7.50	50.00
Louise. Exquisite shade of bright lavender: throat blotched purple with mid-rib of rhodamine-purple.....	.15	1.50	....
Mary Fennell. Light lavender.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Mary Pickford. Delicate creamy white, with primrose throat. Flower stem and calyx almost white.....	.15	1.50	....
Master Wietze. Large compact spike of dark violet shaded purple.....	.25	2.50	....
Meadowvale. Pure white.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Mr. Mark. Lobelia-violet, amaranth-purple blotch in throat.....	.10	1.00	....
Mrs. Dr. Norton. Creamy white, suffused with pink.....	.25	2.50	20.00
Mrs. Feyen Perrin. Clear salmon.....	.30	3.00	....
Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Jr. Delicate salmon-pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Mrs. Francis King. Light scarlet.....	.05	.50	3.00
Mrs. Francis Sprague. Light mauve.....	.75	7.50	....
Mrs. H. E. Bothin. Heavy ruffled flesh-salmon pink, with flame scarlet center.....	.25	2.50	....
Muriel. Very fine light blue, with violet blotch on lower petals. Should be in every collection.....	.25	2.50	....
Negerfurst. Very dark, velvety red.....	.25	2.50	....
Niagara. Soft primrose-yellow.....	.10	1.00	7.50
1910 Rose. Medium flowers of rose-pink shading to rose red, center of lower petals marked with white line.....	.10	1.00	....
Nora. Grayish lavender shaded lighter on lower petals, which are marked with amaranth purple stripe.....	.15	1.50	....
Orange Glory. Large flower, ruffled, peach-red, suffused scarlet, throat blotched carmine. Very vigorous.....	.10	1.00	....
Panama. Lavender pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Papilio Rose. Pale rose-pink.....	.20	2.00	15.00
Peace. Pure white with lilac feathering.....	.05	.50	3.00
Peachblow. Peach-blossom-pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Pink Wonder. La France pink, shading to pale pink. Amaranth purple blotch on lower petals.....	.15	1.50	....
Princeps. Rich crimson.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Prince of Wales. Delicate apricot-pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Princess Altieri. White, shaded with carmine.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Principine. Carmine red.....	.10	1.00	....

COWEE'S NAMED GLADIOLI, continued

	Each	Doz.	100
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	\$15.00	....
Rose Ash. Corinthian-red, shading into Ashes of Roses. Lower petals light yellow, speckled Ruby.....	.25	2.50	....
Rosella. Light rose.....	.20	2.00	15.00
Rutland. Deep claret.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Scarlet Princeps. Brilliant scarlet, slightly deeper in throat. Very strong grower.	.20	2.00	....
Schwaben. Citron yellow.....	.05	.50	4.00
Scarsdale. Pink-lavender.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Silver Star. White, flecked with pale lilac...	.75	7.50	....
Snowbird. Pure white.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Taconic. Pink.....	.10	1.00	7.50
Victory. Sulphur yellow.....	.05	.50	4.00
Vivid. Rich, velvety purple.....	.15	1.50	10.00
Wallomsac. A beautiful light lavender. Medium size flowers well arranged on a strong spike.....	.50	5.00	....
War. Deep blood-red.....	.10	1.00	7.50
White Giant. Large pure white flowers, resembling an Easter lily. Strong grower	.10	1.00	....

If by express, 25 bulbs at 100 rate, 250 at 1,000 rate.

COWEE'S SUPERB COLLECTIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST NAMED GLADIOLI

THESE collections are my conception of what is most typical and best of the various classes of this flower. I have yet to find varieties which can surpass those named in the different groups. My one object has been to make each collection the very best value for the price. All my bulbs are selected with the utmost care—none but clean, sound bulbs go out from Meadowvale Farms.

COWEE'S GOLD MEDAL COLLECTION

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. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$2.75, or 50 bulbs \$5.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$10.

2. Selected New White, Light and Yellow Hybrids. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$3.25, or 50 bulbs \$6.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$12.

3. Selected New Blue Hybrids. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$4, or 50 bulbs \$7.75. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$15.

GLORY OF THE GARDEN COLLECTION

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

Many of my friends have written me about the pleasure they have derived from this splendid collection. I am sure you will be equally well pleased. One bulb of each, postpaid, for \$3.

Afterglow
Anna Eberius

Cowee's Scarlet Wonder
Mrs. H. E. Bothin

Evolution Perfectus
Golden Measure

London
Muriel

COWEE'S IMPERIAL TWO-DOLLAR COLLECTION

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

Mary Pickford
La Luna

Negerfurst
Blue Jay

Mrs. Feyen Perrin
Greylock

Flora
Display

COWEE'S NOVELTY DOLLAR COLLECTION

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

Hubertus
Baltimore

Burrell
Silver Star

Victory
Herada

White Giant
Berkshire

EVERYBODY'S INTRODUCTORY COLLECTION

Ten named varieties, postpaid, one bulb each.....75 cents

Baron Hulot
Peace

Niagara
Rutland

Elizabeth Geberding
Snowbird

Prince of Wales
Vivid

Excelsa
Mrs. Frank Pendleton, Jr.

COWEE'S SILVER TROPHY STRAIN

1. Newest Reds, Scarlets and Crimsons. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1.00, or 50 bulbs \$1.75. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$3.00.

2. New White, Light and Yellow. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1.25, or 50 bulbs \$2.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$4.00.

3. Rare Blues in Clematis, Lilac and Heliotrope. Postpaid, 25 bulbs \$1.75, or 50 bulbs \$3.25. Express collect, 100 bulbs \$6.00.

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, and are in such numbers, that rather than name, for which much higher prices must be charged, I am classifying and offering in color sections of the highest quality.

Selected Orange and Yellow

Selected White and Light

Selected Pink and Rose

\$1.50 per dozen. \$8.00 per 100.

Mixed shades and types, 50 cents per dozen, \$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. \$3.00 per 100, \$25.00 per 1000.

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 ! 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.

Remittances Must Accompany All Orders from unknown purchasers, and may be by postoffice order, express order, New York draft, or cash by registered letter. Postage stamps accepted.

Carefully Sign Your Name, postoffice, county and state. Write clearly. Address all letters to:

ARTHUR COWEE

PROPRIETOR MEADOWVALE FARMS

BERLIN, RENSSELAER COUNTY, N. Y.

There has been a riot around our office this morning because I brought in one spike of Scarlet Wonder. It has five expanded flowers each measuring five and three quarter inches.

L. B. ———, Long Island, Oct. 1st 1924.

Now I must say that Scarlet Wonder was King of the garden. First spike bore 15 blooms. First flower six and one half inches across, and the ninth flower up the spike was five inches across.

A. B. P. ———, New York, December 8th 1924.

I had one bulb of your Scarlet Wonder which I divided and got two of the finest spikes I ever saw, two good sized bulbs, and forty bulbets.

W. H. ———, Iowa, Aug. 7th 1924.

The six Scarlet Wonder I purchased of you last Spring gave me twelve spikes of flowers, which stood five feet high. Some of the flowers were six and one half inches across, and many of the spikes had twenty flowers. On digging the bulbs they had increased to thirteen.

Mr. G. ———, New York, May 24th 1924.

In reference to the Gladiolus bulbs which you sold me a year ago, I wish to state that these bulbs have flowered more beautifully than ever this year, although I wrote and told you last year that they were most beautiful. You are to be congratulated on having such beautiful varieties. (Scarlet Wonder, Afterglow, Berkshire, Peachblow, Dawn.)

B. & A. ———, New Jersey, Aug. 28th 1924.

Saw your ad, and can say you are correct when you say that "No Garden is complete without Scarlet Wonder," as I have tried it, and it is all you claim for it. It is the largest and strongest variety I have ever grown, and the large bulbs, and quantities of bulbets it produces.

P. N. E. ———, Washington, March 6th 1924.

I would have accomplished more in my garden this Summer if I had not spent so much time looking at the spikes of your Scarlet Wonder. They have attracted very much attention.

E. M. S. ———, New Jersey, Sept. 8th 1924.

I planted your Scarlet Wonder March 8th, and cut the spike May 29th (82 days). It was the most wonderful red gladiolus I have ever seen, and I want more bulbs of it next year.

Mrs. E. B. H. ———, Texas, June 11th 1924.

Just a few words regarding Scarlet Wonder. It was the largest flower that I had the past season, in over 500 varieties, blooming in 108 days. From 11th leaf, massive spike and foliage, truly a WONDER GLAD. I would not part with mine for ten times what I paid for it, if I were sure I could not replace it.

F. G. M. ———, New York, Feb. 23rd 1924.

I consider your Scarlet Wonder one of the best reds yet produced. It proved to be one of the finest of any I had growing in my trial plot last Summer, and the bloom was the largest of any with possibly one exception. The new bulbs were immense. It is just what its name indicates—A SCARLET WONDER.

H. M. G. ———, New York, Feb. 27th 1924.

I want to say, that the collection you sent me last year was wonderful. The Cowee's Scarlet Wonder produced the most wonderful spike of bloom I have ever seen, and was the admiration of everyone who saw it.

F. S. ———, Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 16th 1924.

It was the best red in my "Flock": have some nice ones but none with such large blooms as Scarlet Wonder.

J. H. J. ———, Wisconsin, Feb. 29th 1924.

Scarlet Wonder has been winning Firsts at Connecticut Fairs this Fall, and I would like to get prices on same.

W. E. B. ———, Conn., Sept. 29th 1924.

I wrote you upon receipt of the Gladiolus bulbs, and am impelled to write again to tell you how pleased I was with the blooms which are now in their prime. The Scarlet Wonder is all claimed for it, it is glorious.

C. P. S. ———, New York, Sept. 6th 1924.

The "Cowee's Scarlet Wonder" that I bought of you gave beautiful large blooms. An exceptionally good Glad.

Will, W. F. ———, Michigan, Jan. 28th 1924.

You may not care to hear anything more about the merits of "Cowee's Scarlet Wonder," but I must tell you that I had most marvelous bloom last year. People came from all over town to look at them, and someone admired them so much that they pulled them up, root and branch and bloom. I have had such great results from your bulbs, that I never buy bulbs from anyone else. Thanking you for the "GLORY OF MY GARDEN" I am,

Mrs. E. N. A. ———, New York, Feb. 25th 1924.

The bulbs of Scarlet Wonder received from you last Spring, I was well pleased with. I consider them in the XXXX class, also being a good propagator, and a good grower, I got from two bulbs six good sized bulbs, and a lot of bulbets. I think that is good.

C. W. P. ———, Vermont, March 2nd 1924.

We had very fine results from "Cowee's Scarlet Wonder" this year, and would like to order another hundred to be shipped in the Spring.

A. S. N. ———, Connecticut, Dec. 12th 1924.