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Greetings

I take great pleasure in presenting you this catalogue for the season of 1929 and wish to thank my many friends and patrons for the large number of testimonial letters which have been a source of pleasure and gratification to me and regret that space will not allow me to publish them here. A satisfied customer is my best advertisement. Therefore in soliciting your patronage I wish to earn your confidence by fair dealing.

I have discontinued growing Gladioli commercially, and hereafter will devote my time entirely to the dahlia. My aim is to give my customers the very latest and best of the new introductions which makes it necessary for me to discontinue a number of the older varieties for which there is but little demand, also any that may prove not to be satisfactory growers.

After trying out a large number of new varieties the past season, I have added only those that have shown superior merit. Regardless of descriptions which in most cases are the originals, this list contains varieties that have given satisfactory results and should do likewise for you. Again thanking you for past favors and assuring you that future orders will receive the same careful attention that I have always enjoyed showing my customers.

Very sincerely yours,

THOS. H. HUGHES.

As it is quite impossible for me to meet all my customers in person I had the above cut of myself printed as an introduction; that my customers and prospective customers may see how the Dahlia grower looks from whom they receive this catalogue.

Sincerely yours,

THOS. H. HUGHES.

COQUETTE

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A FEW HINTS AS TO ORDERING

Order Early. To give entire satisfaction, let me suggest early ordering. The stock of choice varieties is often limited, and cheaper varieties are in great demand.

No changes or substitutes are made in any orders unless requested to do so.

If you do not find the variety you want in this list let me quote you.

New varieties are being tested annually and only the very best are added to the list.

Guarantee. While every care is exercised at digging, planting and packing that none should be mixed, no guarantee is given, other than to replace any stock that may prove not true to name. All prices and quotations are subject to stock being unsold.

All orders from unknown parties must be accompanied by remittance or reserve orders must be covered by 25 per cent. of the amount of the order.

All prices in this list are for bulbs or plants prepaid to your address. All varieties listed at \$1.00 plants will be same price. No plants furnished of varieties listed below \$1.00.

Forwarding—We ship tubers at the planting time unless otherwise requested.

GREEN PLANTS. All plants are hardened off in cold frame and will be ready for shipment after May 15th. Plants sent by parcel post are prepaid to your address. If you wish them forwarded by first class mail please send 25 cents for special handling stamp.

This list cancels all previous prices.

Plant Dahlia Plants—One-half cheaper than tubers.

Dahlia Plants are NOT Seedlings and will bloom absolutely true to the variety of tubers from which they are taken. All plants we send out are propagated properly, and will form tubers for you for planting the next spring. Remember, some sorts are always shy root producers, even when tubers are used.

Dahlia plants will give equal or better results than tubers, if given a little more care in their early growth. In our own Show Garden we have always used them whenever obtainable. They are much less liable to become diseased than roots. It is seldom necessary to thin out the stalks when green plants are used.

I will venture to say that they are preferred by practically all experienced growers and especially when prize-winning blooms are desired for the Fall Dahlia Shows. You will never know all about Dahlias before giving plants a fair trial.

My experience and method of packing plants for shipment by parcel post, enables me to guarantee that they will arrive at their destination in perfect condition. They can be sent with safety for a distance requiring from three to four days in transit.

I make successful shipments to California each season but do not recommend such long distance shipping. Canadian customers report perfect condition of arrival. Planting directions are sent with each shipment.

SPECIAL OFFER FOR EARLY BUYERS

With all orders mailed before March 1st, 1929, you may select from my catalogue, anything in the following values:

With all orders of \$10.00 or over select \$1.00 in value.

With all orders of \$15.00 or over select \$1.50 in value.

With all orders of \$20.00 or over select \$2.00 in value.

With all orders of \$25.00 or over select \$2.50 in value.

The above offer is not allowed when other discounts are given.

I reserve the right to substitute any other variety of equal value should the stock be exhausted of the varieties you select. These offers are made in appreciation of receiving your orders early, and will facilitate filling them as many orders come in at the busy season.

Address all orders to

THOS. H. HUGHES

78 Brownell St., New Bedford, Mass.

CULTIVATION OF DAHLIAS

Dahlias are easily grown, requiring no special soil, or treatment, to bring them to perfection. They love an open sunny location, but succeed in partial shade. Prepare the soil thoroughly by digging 12 to 18 inches deep, possibly in the fall and then in the spring, before planting.

If the soil is poor, work in some well-rotted stable manure, or artificial fertilizer, but don't over-do this.

Dig the holes 3 feet apart and about 6 inches deep; drive a stout stake in each hole, and lay the tuber down flat with the eyes to the stake, and cover with two to three inches of fine soil, leaving the hole to be filled after the plant comes up.

Plant any time between April 1st and June 15th.

When the plants have made their third set of leaves, cut out the top, to make them branch.

The most important thing from now on is hoeing and cultivating the soil, until the buds appear; then give the beds a good mulching of manure, to keep the ground moist; and water the plants thoroughly once or twice a week.

To have large blooms, it is absolutely necessary to disbud; that means, to cut off all the side shoots on each stem above the first or second set of leaves, but being sure to leave the sprouts near the base of each stem, so as to insure a new crop of blooms. Tubers should be stored in a dry cellar or basement, cover them with dry sand or soil to keep them from shriveling. Divide the tubers in the spring after the eyes show plainly, being careful that each tuber has an eye, cover them again and keep dry until planted.

Dahlias of Recent Introduction and Varieties of Special Merit

A. O. Henry. (Dec.) (Darling.) Large blooms of perfect form and great depth. Carried on good stems. Color a rich bronzy buff shade of one tone, but with center tinted bronze. The entire flower has the appearance of being liberally sprinkled with gold dust, producing a striking effect. Plants grow medium in height and are very free flowering. In a class by itself. This dahlia was placed on the honor roll of the American Home Magazine, December 1928. Plants only \$7.50.

Aztec Glory. (H. D.) (Broomall.) A rich clear golden yellow that glistens in the sunlight. Color, form, size and stem are all that one can desire. The artistic effect of the large blooms is unsurpassed in any other dahlia. The plant is of medium height, a healthy grower and prolific bloomer. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Brockton Beauty. (Dec.) (Carver.) A very large flower which commands attention when seen growing in the garden. A profuse bloomer of flowers that are of great depth and size, blooms remain large all through the season being as large at the end of the season as when they start blooming. Color is pink and lavender, shading to a creamy white center with reverse of petals light lavender. A wonderful keeper with a fine stiff stem holding the large flowers well above the foliage. Tubers \$10.00 net. Plants \$5.00 net.

Betty Ivias. (F. & M.) Exhibition Decorative. Exhibition winners are judged by their size, color and stem—perfection in all these bring the just reward. "Betty," we believe, will win many awards. A remarkable flower of huge proportions. Petals thickly placed to form a very full flower. Color a rich salmon, overlaid with an amber glow, showing a rosy pink reverse. Petals have that soft glistening gleam, as reflected in the texture of a rose. For a flower of such size, it has a remarkable stem that holds it perfectly upright, a point which has been noted by many of its admirers. Plants grow medium tall with thick green foliage, stems stiff and long. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Barbara Redfern. (Dec.) (Redfern.) Color is a wondrous combination of old rose and old gold. The outside of the petals is dull gold, the reverse is delicate old rose. Petals are very long and of medium width. Owing to their formation both colors show at once. Flower is of mammoth size and great depth, and borne on a heavy, stiff stem, which never bends, but carries the big flower upright at all seasons. The bush is a clean, healthy grower, blossoms early and blooms continuously. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Barbara Wear. (Dec.) (Seal.) This Californian introduction has won many awards including the achievement medal of the American Home Magazine for the most worthy new dahlia west of the Rocky Mountains. The color is extremely soft and pleasing, the beautiful flower being a pinkish lavender shading to the outer ends of the petals to the softest creamiest effect imaginable. The flower has good size, great depth and substance with excellent keeping qualities. Plants only, \$3.75.

Charlotte Lafrenz. (Dec.) (Seal.) A new art decorative of immense size and in coloring a blending of the always popular gold shades; the perfectly formed center being a bright gold shading to a rich apricot in the outer petals. The center is very full and the blossom is held high on a long stiff stem above the foliage. To see the tall bush in full bloom is beautiful, as the flowers are held so proudly erect and have such an artistic formation and wonderful coloring. Plants only, \$3.75.

Carnival. (Dec.) (Barker.) This new variety was one of the greatest attractions in the garden the past season. A large, deep bloom of bright cardinal red with small petaloids at base of petals of chamois color. A very effective contrast. The plant is a rugged grower, very early and profuse bloomer, on the best of stems. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Coquette. In this most robust and beautiful Decorative dahlia we have the much desired combination of red and gold. Face of petals of velvety Musketeer red blending with gold and shading to a golden sunset color at points, back of petals gold. Thick, fluffy flower composed of many curled and twisted petals which give the impression of a glowing sunset. An exhibition flower of great beauty. Flower at least twelve inches above the first pair of leaves, stem rigid, foliage dark green and leathery therefore insect proof, free bloomer. In cutting flower for exhibition it is well to have them fully matured when it will be found to be an excellent keeper. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

City of Trenton. (Dec.) A very large exhibition decorative, held erect on long, stiff stems well above the foliage. An autumn colored dahlia of wonderful beauty. The front of the petals shows a rich glowing tangeline, while the reverse is a crushed strawberry red. The gracefully curled petals give a two-toned effect, creating an impression of whorls or tongues of flame radiating from a full, glowing center. A superb flower of great beauty. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh. (F. & M.) A huge hybrid cactus of a beautiful rose "du Barry" shade, overlaid and suffused with old ivory, shading off to pale gold at center. Reverse of petals light carmine pink. An early and free bloomer. Stems rigid and straight, dark green foliage and good habit of growth. A superb flower that will rank high amongst prize winning dahlias. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Clansman. (Dec.) (Mills.) Certificate of Merit at Storrs, 1926, as an exhibition flower. It is also one of the best cut flowers of its color. It is very free, carrying six to eight, 8 to 9 inch blooms on long stiff stems at one time. Color (judges description), a beautiful apricot orange, center darkening to Jasper pink, radiating a golden sheen that instantly attracts the eye. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Chemar's Purity. (Chemar Gardens.) A most perfect white decorative seedling from Jersey's Beauty which it resembles in everything but color. The petals are long and straight, the center excellent and size immense, stems extra long and stiff holding flowers high up above a strong sturdy plant. When the flowers first open they show a slight trace of ivory near the center, this gradually changes to a pure white at maturity. Certificate at the A. D. S. Trial Grounds in 1927 and scored eighty-six at the Nebraska Trial Grounds. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Chemar's Masterpiece. (Chemar Gardens.) A huge incurved cactus flower of orchid pink or soft orchid coloring which everyone knows. The flowers are extra large of perfect form, under all conditions and are so placed on extra long stems that they show their beauty to the best advantage. It is a seedling of Mrs. I. de Van Warner and a counterpart in every way except Masterpiece is an incurved English cactus producing 10 inch flowers in abundance. This has won a certificate at the N. J. Trial Grounds. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Dr. Webb. (H. C.) (Clohan.) One of the most satisfactory dahlias in every way. No work to take care of it and at the same time plenty of large blooms 8 to 10 inches without forcing, on stems stiff and straight and any length desired up to 3 feet. A seedling of ambassador with all its good qualities. Petals are longer and wider than its

parent, a much deeper and richer color which I would describe as golden amber. The blooms are of fine formation, very deep and has never shown an open center. The plant is a vigorous grower, attaining a height of 6 feet. Foliage light green, healthy and has been immune from attacks of leaf hoppers. Plants only, \$5.00.

Emily Gass. (Dec.) (Dr. Gass.) A very large exhibition decorative which was very much admired for its beauty and size. The color is white with a delicate pink suffusion. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining a height of 7 to 8 feet. Stems are stiff and hold the flowers that are 8 to 11 inches in diameter perfectly erect and in abundance. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.75.

Eagle Rock Gem. Maize yellow shaded orient pink, this is certainly the finest shaped strong stemmed Cactus Dahlia yet produced. Its form is much finer than Ambassador, and the color is very unusual and pleasing; the habit is good, the flowers always standing perfectly erect. Height 3 feet. Tubers \$15.00. Plants \$7.50.

Eagle Rock Jewel. (H. C.) (Broomall.) Cream overlaid cameo pink. Considered one of the most beautiful in its color class. The large flowers are borne on strong stems. A vigorous grower and free bloomer. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Eagle Rock Beauty. (Dec.) (Broomall.) This I believe was the outstanding new California dahlia for 1926. A beautiful combination of pink and cream that is displayed in this glorious creation would be difficult to imagine; it is in a class by itself. A vigorous grower with fine habits, strong stems which hold the immense blooms, which are full to the center and produced in abundance until frost. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Edna Ferber. (F. & M.) An exhibition hybrid cactus dahlia with an exceptionally fine stiff stem. Color is a glistening coral, shading to old gold at base of petals. One of the first flowers to attract attention both in the field and on the exhibition table on account of its extreme beauty and size. Petals curled and twisted, making a very full flower. Medium to tall habit of growth, foliage dark green and thick. Awarded Certificate of Merit by Dahlia Society of N. J., 1926. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Florence Klein. An exhibition decorative of a gorgeous Salmon-Orange color (Rideway's Chart) a very deep, full centered dahlia, the salmon shading adding to the appearance of the depth. Flower can be field grown from seven to nine inches; stem is black, stiff and straight holding the flower high above the dark green, leathery foliage, very free bloomer; plants grow to medium height. A beauty for either the garden or exhibition table on account of its brilliant coloring and good keeping qualities. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Fairhaven Gold. (Darling.) This I believe to be the best hybrid cactus of its color to date. This dahlia has great depth, as well as large size, and is produced freely on long stiff stems. A medium low grower. Color a pure glistening gold, beautiful formation. Mentioned in the Garden & Home Builder Dahlia "Roll of Honor", 1927. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Fire Chief. (Dec.) (Success.) There are plenty of red dahlias but very few that are really good. This is one of the really good ones. Color is a bright glistening scarlet. A profuse bloomer of flowers that will average 8 inches, on long stiff stems. Certificate of Merit by the A. D. S. and Dahlia Society of New Jersey. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

"Frances Cooper". (Dec.) (Fish.) Winner of a first prize in 1924, Silver Medal and first in undecimated seedling class, and Gold Medal Sweepstakes for **best** Dahlia in the show at Boston, 1925. The colorings of this immense Hybrid Decorative are shades of orange apricot, with tones of carrot red on reverse of petals, with a cadmium yellow center which is high and full. A wonderful Exhibition variety that will average nine inches in diameter, has been grown eleven inches. This Dahlia is the most continuous and consistent bloomer I have ever grown. Even the laterals produce full sized flowers.

The stem is stiff and strong enough to hold the flowers, and is of good average length. The placement of the flower on the stem, however, tends to tip slightly forward, practically its only fault. All in all this variety is a wonderful production. Tubers \$15.00. Plants \$7.50.

Fort Monmouth. (H. C.) One of the giants of the Dahlia World. The predominating color is a rich crimson maroon, with shading of bluish violet at tips of petals. The flowers are well formed of true H. C. type, of immense size, frequently attaining to full 13 inches in diameter, and are borne on long stiff stems high above the foliage, and look you right in the face. Does not burn, and is a splendid keeper, both on the plant and when cut. Very prolific bloomer, from early to late, and is no uncommon thing to see as many as five and six immense blooms on a plant at a time. Plant is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining to a height of 7 to 8 feet. Foliage dark green, healthy, and has been immune to attacks of leaf hoppers. Winner in the class for the largest dahlia in diameter, at the 1927 Trenton, N. J. Show. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Flying Ambassador. (Dec.) (Marshall.) This variety has all the attributes of an exhibition variety. The color is white with touch of lavender on back of petals. The plant is a healthy and rugged grower, blooms are very large and on good stems. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

KATHLEEN NORRIS

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F. T. D. (F. & M.) Named in honor of the Florist's Telegraph Delivery. Large exhibition decorative. A sport of Trentonian and manifesting the latter's good habits of growth. Tall and free flowering. Color a rich Tyrian rose. Dark green foliage, a good keeper, on long rigid, upright stems. Winner of silver trophy for best basket or vase of 25 blooms at Atlantic City, N. J. Five entries in the class. Also awarded Certificate of Merit by Dahlia Society of New Jersey. Tubers \$4.00. Plants \$2.00.

Galli-Curci. (Hall.) This beautiful hybrid cactus dahlia was selected from the seedling class by Mme. Galli-Curci at the Dahlia Society of New Jersey Show on the Steel Pier, Atlantic City. A flower of extreme grace and charm similar in form to Waldheim Sunshine. A bright salmon orange with a brilliant luster and golden suffusion. It also won the Gold Medal as the best undisseminated seedling at the Camden Show, 1927. Plants only, \$5.00.

Golden Dream. (Dec.) (Success.) Color is storntian yellow with a golden sheen or lustre; reverse, Brazil red. Flowers are large on long stiff stems. Certificate of Merit by A. D. S. and Dahlia Society of New Jersey. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Governor Alvan T. Fuller. (H. D.) (Beatrice). This wonderful, massive, deep glistening, full centered Tyrian Rose Beauty was named in honor of his excellency Governor Fuller, who admired it greatly. This dahlia has all the fine points that are required. Plants grow 3 to 4 feet in height and branch freely with healthy leathery foliage. An early to late bloomer. The massive full centered 8 to 10 inch flowers are carried on heavy cane-like stems. This dahlia was awarded the Thos. H. Hughes beautiful Silver Cup at the Dahlia Society of New England show held at Boston, Sept. 8 and 9th, 1928, for the best basket of dahlias in the show. Tubers \$5.00, net. Plants \$2.50, net.

Harry Mayer. (Dec.) (Seltsam.) A great decorative dahlia of pale rosaline purple, reverse of petals veined with a deeper shade. The blooms are of fine formation, are very large and held erect on stiff stems on medium plants carrying four to six exhibition blooms at a time. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Jersey Masterpiece. (Dec.) (Waite.) Strawberry pink suffused gold at base of the florets. This is a bold and upstanding variety, possessing all the attributes of an exhibition variety. The flower has almost the same formation as the old favorite, Insulinde, but the color is more beautiful. The stems are strong and stiff, and the foliage is thick in texture, and very resistant to the attacks of insects. The flowers are large and very freely produced. Plants only, \$3.75.

Jersey's Glory. A magnificent bloom both in color and form. Color is a sparkling orange intermingled with yellow. Huge flowers of perfect outline held on long rigid stems. Vigorous habit of growth. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Jane Cowl. (Downs.) A massive deep decorative with petals curled and twisted. Color a glistening bronzy buff and old gold blending to a deeper shade toward center of flower, reverse of petals a pale flesh color, giving the flower, as a whole, a warm glow. A stem of unusual strength holds this giant decorative erect over a plant of ideal growth, foliage thick and leathery, insect resisting. Miss Jane Cowl selected this variety at the A. D. S. Exhibition in New York to bear her name. Also awarded first prize for undisseminated seedling and the Garden Home Builders Sweepstakes Silver Medal. Awarded Certificate of Merit A. D. S. Trial Garden, at Storrs. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Jean Hare. (F. & M.) A distinctive exhibition hybrid cactus of peculiar formation and unusual charm. When the flower first unfolds it is a beautiful golden yellow, as it matures it becomes an apricot buff and the outer row of petals a golden bronze. A flower that commands unusual attention both in the field and at the shows. One of the most attractive autumn colored dahlias on account of its great size and beauty. Very free bloomer, medium to tall habit of growth, perfectly stiff, upright stems, heavy dark green foliage. Awarded Certificate of Merit by Dahlia Society of New Jersey, with score of 87 for exhibition. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Kathleen Norris. (F. & M.) (Klein.) In introducing this dahlia to our customers we believe we can conscientiously state it is the greatest pink decorative dahlia in commerce to-day. Color a true Rose pink, later deepening to mallow pink, but paler in the young central petals. A bloom of gigantic proportions, petals broad and overlapping with twisted ends, full, tight center. The first two leaves on the straight, stiff stem are from twelve to fourteen inches from the flower, one can easily visualize what an Exhibition Beauty this is. Foliage dark green and insect proof. A great bloomer and an excellent keeper. A dahlia that stands right up on the stem to be seen and admired. Awarded the Garden & Home Builder Achievement Medal at the exhibition of the Dahlia Society of New Jersey, also Kresge silver trophy for best flower in Court of Honor and First prize for best vase of undisseminated seedling at Trenton's Fall Flower Show. Gold Medal of the Camden Dahlia Society for best vase of undisseminated seedling, and first prize for best flower in Court of Honor. Garden & Home Builder Achievement Medal at American Dahlia Society's exhibition in New York. Plants only, \$7.50, net.

Kemp's Violet Wonder. (Dec.) Best violet colored dahlia to date. The predominating color is a rich naphthaline violet, lightening to bluish violet at tips of petals, with lavender reverse. Flower is as nearly perfect form as possible, is a true decorative, and of great size, frequently attaining to a diameter of ten inches and over, and a depth of six or seven inches, and are borne on stiff stems 10 to 14 inches above the foliage. Does not burn, and is a remarkably good keeper both on the plant, and when cut. An early and prolific bloomer. Plant is a strong vigorous grower, with wide spreading habit, and a height of 6 to 7 feet. Foliage bright green, healthy. Awarded a gold medal ribbon, and a place in the court of honor at the 1927 A. D. S. Show, New York City. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

La Roda. (Broomall.) Large, well formed flowers of silvery pink, held erect on strong stems. A fine exhibition decorative of great size and beauty. Considered by many as one of last season's best introductions. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

La Golondrina. (H. D.) (Broomall.) Silvery white shaded phlox purple, the general effect being a light lavender. Very large flowers of distinct and pleasing shape, held well above the foliage on good stems. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Mrs. Edward W. Winsor. (F. & M.) An immense exhibition type decorative, composed of many narrow petals which are serrated at the points giving a fluffy appearance, color Rosalia or a golden old rose; flower held high above dark green, leathery foliage, plant has tall habit of growth, free bloomer and stem excellent. Awarded Certificate of Merit by the Dahlia Society of New Jersey in 1926. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Mrs. Shirley Shaw (Dec.) Ox blood red shaded maroon, this magnificent flower sometimes has a tendency to come with crooked stems, but notwithstanding this fact was more universally admired than any dahlia in our gardens. The wonderful dark rich color and immense size capture everyone. Height 5 feet. Tuber \$10.00. Plant \$5.00, net.

Martha Kemp. (H. C.) This is a very refined, and beautiful dahlia. The color is a warm buff, shading to apricot yellow at base of petals. Flower is full eight inches in diameter, and 6 inches deep, and about the best keeper, both on the plant and when cut, of any dahlia I know, the blooms usually lasting in good condition for a week or longer, after they are full bloom. Never sheds its petals, neither on the plant or when cut. An early and prolific bloomer. Seedling of Shudows Lavender, but has more refined foliage. Plant is a strong, vigorous grower, reaching a height of six feet and over. Tubers, each \$10.00, Plants, each \$5.00.

My Maryland. (Downs.) This exhibition hybrid cactus is of a decidedly unique coloring, a blending of unusually delicate pink with the faintest suggestion of lavender, the pointed petals whorl and twist in such a manner as to blend the two colors. There are pinks and there are lavenders, but this flower is in a color class of its own. Excellent stems and leathery foliage. Awarded the Maryland Dahlia Society's gold medal for the best undisseminated seedling exhibited at the exhibition of the New Jersey Dahlia Society in Atlantic City, hence its name. Also awarded the Garden & Home Builder's Achievement medal. First prize at A. D. S. show in New York for best undisseminated hybrid cactus. Certificate of Merit, A. D. S., at Storrs. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Metropolitan. (Dec.) (Mendonsa.) Bright crimson, evenly tipped white with veining of gold running to base of petals. Plants are of medium height, healthy green foliage and a consistent bloomer of large flowers on good stems. I have admired this variety for the past three seasons and consider it one of the best variegated or fancy dahlias I have seen. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Netawaka. (H. D.) Orange yellow base shading to jasper red, reverse of petals bright carmine. The petals are twisted so that the reverse color is very much in evidence, the large flowers are borne on good stems, very distinct and pleasing both in form and unusual coloring. Height 5 feet. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Queen of the Garden Beautiful. (Dec.) (Burns.) A gigantic lemon colored decorative of perfect type. A flower that fulfills the dream of dahlia lovers. One of the largest of all dahlias, measuring from 9 to 12 inches across, and 5 to 6 inches deep, grown without forcing. The stems are unusually strong and it is a wonderful keeper. This dahlia has won many prizes including the Samuel W. Heller Prize in California, scoring ninety-four points. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Regal. (Dec.) (Bessie Boston.) Regal is a gold medal dahlia also winner of many other prizes throughout the country. This immense dahlia is a combination of autumn shades, bronze heavily suffused with old rose and shading to gold at the base of the petals, giving the effect of burnished cooper. The flowers grow well out of the foliage on long, rigid stems, the first bloom however if not pinched back will have only a twelve inch stem. This variety will produce many ten inch blooms and by generous disbudding can be grown to at least twelve inches. Plants only, \$10.00.

BROCKTON BEAUTY

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Rising Mars. (Simmons.) A Hybrid Cactus that for five years has been winning awards at the New England Dahlia Society shows. It has won seven first prizes, two silver medals and the Darling Cup. In December 1928 it was placed on the honor roll of the American Home Magazine. An abundant bloomer, early and late. Natural flowers with a uniform size of nine inches. Its color given by Ridgeway's chart as Pomegranate Purple. In the sunlight the blooms have a three tone effect. Never burns in the sun or sheds its petals. Can always be depended upon for blooms and a tight center. The plant stands five feet with dark green leaves and needs no pruning. The strong stems are long and slender. For the first time this five year old seedling is placed on public sale. Tubers \$10.00, net. Plants \$5.00, net.

Shoe City. (Dec.) (Carver.) A very large deep, full centered, decorative dahlia. A pure golden bronze color all through, with large quilled petals. Has never shown an open center at any time of the season. A most attractive flower in the garden, and is much admired by all who see it growing. Produces an abundance of large exhibition flowers and is just as good for a cut flower. The blooms are carried on a wonderful stiff cane like stem, above the foliage, and is a wonderful keeper. Tubers \$10.00. Plants \$5.00.

Sanhican's Beauty. (F. & M.) Exhibited as No. 48. It is unusual to find the same texture of petal that we get in a rose but this beautiful dahlia reminds one of the coloring found in the Mme. Edourd Herriot rose. An exhibition sized decorative with evenly placed rounding petals. Excellent for cutting on account of its long, rigid stem and gorgeous coloring. Free bloomer, foliage dark green and insect proof. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.75.

Sanhican's Nymph. (F. & M.) Very large exhibition decorative which immediately attracts the attention of all dahlia fans who are looking for beauty and size combined. A solid, high built flower, which never shows its center, formed with quilled petals regularly placed. Color a beautiful rich primrose yellow with the reverse of petals faintly touched with fawn-rose, the latter color being more perceptible on the center petals as they open. This flower is most unique and beautiful with perfect stems and of medium tall habit of growth. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Sanhican's Delice. (Dec.) (F. & M.) Ever since dahlias have become the most popular flower in the garden, we have been experimenting to get a dahlia of the color of the favorite old-time Delice, but of a size required for present day standards. Our efforts in this direction have resulted in the production of this beautiful staghorn-petaled decorative of great depth and of a true deep pink with an almost imperceptible salmon glow in the center. Free bloomer, stem like a cane, and an excellent keeper when cut. Tubers \$4.00. Plants \$2.00.

Sanhican's Peach. A fluffy decorative of good size and great charm. In color it is exactly the shade of a ripe California peach with a real peach-cheek glow. Its attractiveness is further enhanced by the oddly twisted petals with staghorn tips. Rich dark green foliage, upright straight stems and good habit of growth. A valuable addition to any real choice collection of dahlias. Tubers \$4.00. Plants \$2.00.

Spottswood Beauty. (Dec.) This is one of the most beautiful colored dahlias in the list of 1928 introductions. Color is a clear Chatenay pink, shading to lemon yellow at base of petals. Flowers are 7 to 8 inches in diameter, and of great depth, and are borne on long cane-like stems high above the foliage. Plant is a very healthy grower, and attains to a height of 6 feet and over. One of the most refined, and beautiful pink dahlias to date. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Shirley E. Shattuck. (Dec.) (Murphy.) The Silver Cup winner at the Boston Show for 1926. A very fine growing plant, very large blooms on long stiff stems and a very profuse bloomer. Color, a beautiful orchid lavender with a silver sheen. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

The Spirit of St. Louis. (Dec.) (Carver.) In this we have a dahlia every one has been waiting for. Something entirely different in color. It might be described best as nearest to a pleasing true American Beauty Rose color. Will not fade or burn in the sun. It was the sensational seedling at the Boston Show where it attracted much attention and received much favorable comment. Winning the Achievement Medal awarded by the Garden Home Builder for the best undisseminated decorative seedling. A superb flower of wonderful beauty. A very free bloomer. We have cut six 10 inch flowers at one time from a single plant. The flower has great depth, and is carried on a good stem. Tubers \$10.00, net. Plants \$5.00, net.

The Boy Scout. (H. Dec.) (Marshall.) This variety has been a leading attraction in our gardens. Very large flesh pink with light cream at center. A very beautiful flower, fine growing plant, best of stem and habits. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

The Lemonade. (Dec.) (Ward.) Yellow dahlias are becoming quite plentiful but in this we have the very best we ever saw and think it almost perfect. Color is pale yellow. An exhibition flower of vigorous growth, excellent stem, free flowering and flowers remain very large all season. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Yellow Beauty. (Wood.) A seedling of Jersey's Beauty, having the same splendid stem, perfect form and habit of growth—the color being a pure empire yellow. We predict, in all sincerity, that Yellow Beauty will become as famous and popular in the Yellow Class as the former became in the "Pinks". Tubers \$15.00. Plants \$7.50.

Yellow Princess. A sensation wherever shown, without doubt the largest and best yellow decorative dahlia. Flowers from 10 to 12 inches on stiff stems. Won the American Dahlia Society Gold Medal Ribbon, 1927, for the best undisseminated decorative seedling that had been certificated at Storrs trial gardens; first prize for largest bloom in show at Providence, R. I., 1927; American Dahlia Society Certificate of Merit, 1926; mentioned in the Garden & Home Builder Dahlia "Roll of Honor," 1927. The dahlia everyone has been waiting for. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

White Empress. (Dec.) (Jost.) This new white dahlia was a sensational exhibit at the American Dahlia Society Show at Madison Square Garden, New York, winning the Darnell Cup for the best keeping dahlia in the show. It is a pure white decorative of good fair size and fine stems. The plant is a very rugged grower, a free bloomer and with its fine keeping qualities will rank as the best white decorative yet introduced. Plants only, \$5.00.

Waldheim Sunshine. (Dec.) (Peacock.) The true deep yellow that will show up yellow under artificial light. The reflex is darker, and there is a rich golden suffusion around the beautiful, full high center. The form is beautiful, with long wavy, twisted and whirled petals, which relieve the immense size from stiffness. The stem is long and stiff, holding the flower from facing to upright. It is a splendid free bloomer, and this season was in full bloom with perfectly full centers until killed down by the frost. The plant is a very strong, sturdy grower. In all, it is the greatest of all yellows, and is in a class by itself. This is the variety featured by the nation-wide newspaper service, together with Bell of Springfield, as the "largest and smallest dahlias in the world." Tubers \$15.00. Plants \$7.50.

William H. Hogan. (Dec.) (Seltsam.) Winner first prize New York 1927. This is one of those dahlias that must be seen to be appreciated. Color, garnet red with white tips running down the center of the petals. Perfect stems. Never has sported, every petal coming true to color. Nothing like it in dahlias. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

Watchung Sunrise. (Dec.) (Smith.) This is possibly the best new dahlia of the year and was the sensation of the New York show. It is a rich golden yellow suffused amaranth pink towards the outer petals. The flowers are enormous and when fully developed form a perfect sphere. It is a vigorous grower, and the stems are perfect. Tubers \$7.50. Plants \$3.50.

DAHLIAS OF SUPERIOR MERIT

Ambassador C. (Cac.) The color is soft yellow buff, shaded salmon-pink; flowers of pleasing form, and enormous size. The splendid flowers are held erect well above the foliage on the strongest stems I have ever seen on a cactus dahlia; nothing better has ever been produced than this American type of cactus dahlia. Tubers \$1.00.

Adda Patterson. (H. C.) (Kemp.) One of the best, if not the best white hybrid cactus dahlia to date. The flowers are pure white, and average 8 to 9 inches in diameter. The plant is a beautiful grower, reaching a height of 7 feet. The large blooms are held well above the foliage on stiff stems that can be cut 4 or 5 feet in length. A splendid keeper, and equally good for exhibition and decorative purposes. An all around white dahlia that will win in the keenest competition. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Anna Marie Frey. (Dec.) A very bright red, with all the good qualities of dahlia Judge Marean. A very fine variety. Much admired at the A. D. S. Show, September 1927. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Avalon. (Dec.) (Broomall.) Pure clear yellow. The large flowers are very distinct and pleasing in shape. Always full to the center and produced in great abundance on long strong stems. This flower has every good quality, a remarkable good keeper which makes it a fine cut flower as well as for exhibition. Tubers \$1.50.

Andreas Hofer. An imported variety of much merit. This is one of the most beautiful dahlias I have had the pleasure of growing; color is a light pink, stems are long and stiff. Plants, medium height. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Berengaria. (English Dec.) The originators of this dahlia consider it one of their triumphs in every way. Colors are orange at center, to gold at tips, with golden sheen over all. In form it more resembles the hybrid cactus type than the decorative. Plants \$2.50.

Bob Pleuse. (H. C.) (Superior.) This is a very attractive variegated dark red, almost maroon. Tipped white, a pleasing combination of colors. Blooms average 6 to 7 inches. Plants are medium height and very free bloomers. Tubers \$1.00.

Chanticleer. (Ames.) A beautiful shade of almost pure orchid. Decorative, though not of the flat set type. Eight to ten-inch flower of wonderful coloring facing you on fine stem, high above the foliage, which is light. Almost no disbudding necessary. A generous bloomer and good root producer. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS

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- Casper G. Ware.** (Dec.) (Dahliadel.) Flowers are large, usually 8 to 10 inches across, regularly formed and produced profusely on strong stems. Color, bright clear violet rose. To those looking for a real novelty we can heartily recommend this variety, as it has exceptional exhibition and commercial qualities. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Charles Stratton.** (Chester-F. & M.) A wonderful exhibition variety decorative, fluffy formation of a beautiful blending of pale gold to old rose on outer petals. Very stiff upright stem. This dahlia has been awarded sixteen prizes in New Jersey for size and artistic coloring. Profuse bloomer. Tubers \$1.00.
- E. E. Hanbury.** (Dec.) An exceptionally fine exhibition variety of a pleasing shade of silvered red. Very vigorous grower; very free bloomer. Should be in every really fine collection. Tubers \$3.00. Plants \$1.50.
- Elkridge.** (Griffiths.) This splendid new white decorative had the distinction of winning the medal for the best new variety at the A. D. S. Exhibition in New York, 1926. The flowers are of good size, borne on splendid stems, petals firm in texture, and it is particularly fine for keeping when cut. Vigorous grower and flowers are produced in great profusion. Tubers \$3.00. Plants \$1.50.
- Elia Clarke Bull.** (Dec.) (Bessie Boston.) Easily the very best white that has ever been sent from California, and probably the best white in existence. The flowers are large, of splendid formation, stem and growth perfect. Tubers \$3.00. Plants \$1.50.
- Elite Glory.** (Dec.) (Kennedy.) A most sensational dahlia. It is a monstrous flower of a brilliant rich red color, without any apparent purple or maroon shading. Its blooms and foliage are gigantic in size, and strange to say, not awkward in appearance, but very pleasing and graceful. Elite Glory is regarded as a "break" in the dahlia world, and cannot be surpassed for spectacular effect, either for exhibition or garden purposes. Tubers \$3.50. Plants 1.75.
- Eastern Star.** (Dec.) (Dahliadel.) Color a soft saffron yellow with old gold shadings. Flowers of great substance and good keeping qualities, with full centers held on strong erect stems. Excellent bush growth, and free flowering. Grows 10 inches without forcing. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Elsie Daniels.** (H. C.) (Meachen & Sherman.) The color of this wonderful dahlia is a pale violet orchid shade on the outer petals which are long and shaggy, the center ones are white, making a most wonderful combination of colors. The habits of the plant are all that could be desired. It grows about 4 feet tall and the stems are strong and hold extra large flowers above the foliage. Tubers \$1.00.

Ellinor Vanderveer. (Dec.) (Jessie Seal.) An incomparable dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size, having every desirable quality. The large blossoms are of a glowing, satiny, rose pink. The flowers are of great depth and substance, and are held far above a tall, sturdy bush, on exceptionally long, stiff stems. Tubers \$1.00.

Eva Williams. (Dec.) (Fisher & Masson.) A flower of immense size carried on the stiffest of stems. Color is amethyst with slight silvery shadings. The plant is a strong vigorous grower and a very free bloomer of full centered exhibition flowers. Tubers \$1.00.

Fort Washington. (Dec.) (Rindfleisch.) The immense flowers of this variety are produced on plants 8 to 10 feet high. The color is a dark mahogany red. The plants are very robust and will grow equally as well from plants as from tubers. This I think is the largest dahlia in its color class yet produced. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Gilda Gray. (Dec.) (F. & M.) Petals of this decorative are of a pure lilac color shading to a deep Tyrian rose toward center of flower, this deepening of color gives the effect of great depth and looks as though an artist had overlaid the original petals with velvet, if this were possible. Slender, stiff stems. A very striking flower that is hard to describe. Tubers \$1.00.

Griffin. Color, pinard yellow, with pale viridine yellow reverse, tinted lavender pink. Plant is a strong, vigorous grower, and has never been troubled from attacks of leaf hoppers nor thrips. Flowers are large, and are borne in the greatest profusion, the plant being loaded with large blooms, from mid-summer until frost, on long stems carrying the blooms well out of the foliage. Requires very little attention in the way of disbudding or pruning. An excellent garden variety that will be a most welcome addition to the home garden decorations. Height of plant 5 feet. Tubers, each \$3.00. Plants, each \$1.50.

Hathor. (Dec.) (Seal.) A dahlia of vivid Oriental colorings. The predominating color is flame; not red, but verging on deep crimson, orange, and all those colors seen in glowing embers. The formation is always perfect and the stem exceptionally fine and stiff, so the large bloom looks one squarely in the face. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Jersey's Beacon. (Dec.) (Waite.) New. Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse, giving a two-toned effect, very large flower, vigorous grower, and with a good stem. Winner of the silver medal, for the best new variety, at New York. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.

Jersey's Ideal. (Dec.) (Waite.) The color of this beautiful variety is best described as lavender pink, although sometimes it is nearer lavender. Flowers face upward on top of the stem, the long petals drooping over the stem, make a flower of great depth. A vigorous grower, free bloomer, and an ideal stem. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.

Jersey's Beauty. (Dec.) (Waite.) The finest true pink decorative dahlia yet produced, not a shade of lavender, but a clear eosine pink with tips of petals slightly touched with gold. "Jersey's Beauty" is indeed an appropriate name for this grand variety, large flowers of perfect form on stiff stems 3 to 4 feet long hold the flowers high above a strong, vigorous plant. Winner of the highest award at Storrs, Conn., scoring ninety-one points. Tubers \$1.00.

Lavendula. (Dec.) (Broomall.) I consider this to be the best large flowered lavender dahlia I have seen. The color is a pleasing shade of lavender throughout. It is a strong grower, with fine stems and habit, and was admired by all who saw it bloom. Plants \$1.50.

Margaret Woodrow Wilson. (Dec.) (F. & M.) A large decorative dahlia having broad petals well placed, terminating in points, making a very thick flower. Color, opalescent pink (meaning the reverse of petals are so colored as to reflect a pink tone to the whole flower). Flowers held well out of dark green foliage on perfect stems. Medium height plant. Awarded Certificate of Merit by Dahlia Society of New Jersey, 1925. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.

Mrs. Eleanor Martin. (Dec.) (Pelicano.) Blooms are very large on long stiff stems. The form of the flower is of the best exhibition type; in fact, it combines all the good points which go to make a perfect decorative. The color is a beautiful mulberry suffused with gold. Tubers \$1.00.

Mrs. I. De Ver Warner. (Marean.) For its charming color, large blooms, and for its very long, strong, wiry stems this variety immediately attracts attention wherever grown or exhibited. It is a refined deep mauve pink, beautifully formed, exquisite shade, and acknowledged by all dahlia experts, who have had the pleasure of growing it, to be one of the finest dahlias ever produced. Tubers \$.75.

Mrs. Carl Salbach. Decorative dahlia of great size. Mauve pink in color, showing up well in the garden. The immense blooms are held erect on extra long, strong stems. A perfect exhibition as well as cut flower. The best in its color for the florist trade. Tubers 50 cents.

- Marion Broomall.** (H. C.) (Broomall.) Pink and white, descendant of Gladys Sherwood. It is more cactus in shape than Gladys Sherwood with better stems and habit. A beautiful flower. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Mrs. Geo. C. Meachen.** (Dec.) A new decorative that is sure to be a winner. The face of the flower is iridescent shadings of picric yellow and corinthian pink with a deep rose back. All together it is a very delicate and wonderful color. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Margaret Masson.** (Dec.) (F. & M.) This dahlia immediately attracted the attention of all who visited our garden on account of its beautiful silvery rose pink color, great depth and size. It is a wonderful exhibition flower on account of its fine keeping qualities and fine upright stem. Certificates of Merit by the Dahlia Society of New Jersey. Tubers \$1.50. Plants \$1.00.
- Marmion.** (Dec.) (Tyler.) In this new novelty we have one of the largest in the garden. The color is pure golden yellow with bronze suffusion on the reverse of petals and a deeper bronze tone on the high center and outlining each petal. The stems are good and hold the immense blooms gracefully above the sturdy plant. Tubers \$3.00. Plants \$1.50.
- Nazareno.** (Dec.) (Jost.) A beautiful new dahlia that is bound to become popular, for it has so many good qualities, a free bloomer, large flowers on long, stiff stems, a perfect keeper when cut, as a color it is the nearest thing to a purple that I know of, and was a big attraction at the New York Show where it looked just as good the last day of the show as it did when cut four days before. Tubers \$2.00. Plants \$1.00.
- Nagel's Roem.** A distinct type of hybrid cactus of large size borne aloft on very rigid stems. Naples yellow, tinted salmon and chamoise. One of the best dahlias of Belgian origin, receiving three 1st Class Certificates in France and Belgium. Tubers \$4.00. Plants \$2.00.
- Princess Ileana.** (Dec.) (Harding.) This splendid new variety is a beautiful combination of salmon pink with golden suffusion. The flowers are held on fine stems and attract immediate attention. The plants are thirty growers with dark green foliage. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.
- Pop Stewart.** (Giant Dec.) (F. & M.) This is a remarkable flower of great size. In the young stage the petals appear rosy pink but as it matures the flower undergoes a complete transformation, toning out into a most exquisite shade of the purest lilac-pink. It is a wonderful grower, with splendid stem. Awarded Certificate of Merit, trial gardens, Dahlia Society of New Jersey, scoring ninety points. Tubers \$1.50. Plants \$1.00.

METROPOLITAN

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- Paul Revere.** (Dec.) (Bissell.) This is the best dahlia of the color I have ever seen to date. The flowers are large, full centered, and of good depth, and are rich crimson color, overlaid with a brilliant scarlet satiny sheen. Flowers of this dahlia are about as near sun proof as any in existence, never showing more than the slightest trace of burning, even in the hottest weather, and then only on the old petals that are falling. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Pride of Stratford.** (Dec.) (M. & S.) Predominating color, cadmium orange, shading to light orange yellow at the base of petals; reverse, rose doree. Very large flowers, held erect on strong stems. Bushes are medium height; large blooms are produced without pruning or disbudding. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.
- Papillon.** (H. C.) This large flower is a beautiful shade of old rose with golden lights. One of the most incessant bloomers I grew this season. Stems are long and strong and carry the flower well. Tubers \$1.50. Plants \$1.00.
- Queen Marie.** (Dec.) (Harding.) Formerly "The Autocrat". This dahlia was selected by Queen Marie of Roumania to be named for her during her visit to this country. An incomparable dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size, having every desirable quality. The color, shrimp pink with yellow suffusion, with a distinct reverse of silver. Vigorous grower and a wonderful keeper when cut. Tubers \$3.00. Plants \$1.50.
- Robert Scott.** (Dec.) A very beautiful apricot yellow with rose shading and extra large, bold flower, excellent stems and a fine bloomer. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Radio.** (Dec.) (Sampson.) This new variety attracted a great deal of attention in the garden and shows last season. The color, blood red edged and tipped yellow, a color combination that attracts immediate attention. The plant is a strong grower and the immense blooms are held erect on stout rigid stems. Tubers \$1.00.
- Rose Fallon.** (Dec.) (Harding.) The world's best dahlia and we don't mean maybe. Giant old gold decorative, finest form and type; excellent stems which carry the enormous flowers quite erect. The most outstanding variety at the 1925 New York Show. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- Sanhican's Purple.** (F. & M.) Decorative dahlias of this color are very scarce. Ridgeway's chart describes the color as "true purple." A full-centered, regularly shaped dahlia of great keeping qualities either on the plant or the exhibition table. Of tall-growing habit, flowers held well above foliage on long, black, rigid stems. Foliage drak green and leathery. Tubers \$4.00. Plants \$2.00.

- Sanhican's Blue Bird.** (Fisher & Masson.) A fine exhibition type of decorative, low growing bushes laden with flowers from early to late; color, a beautiful violet blue, as near a blue dahlia as any yet introduced. Beautiful lacy foliage and good stem. Tubers \$2.00. Plants \$1.00.
- Silverado.** (H. C.) (Seal.) The immense blooms are of white gradually shading toward the center to a delicate silvery lavender. The stems are extra long and strong, and the tall, well-branched bushes are always covered with these huge, feathery blooms. Tubers \$5.00. Plants \$2.50.
- Sagamore.** (Dec.) (Kirby.) A rich amber gold shading toward the center, salmon rose or orange buff. I consider this the best dahlia of its color yet produced. The plants are strong and vigorous, very free bloomers of large flowers on the best of stems; a consistent prize winner at all the shows. Tubers \$1.00.
- Trentonian.** (Fisher & Masson.) A giant decorative dahlia of a shade that appeals and captivates at one glance, and is really symbolic of autumn. The color is that of an "Indian's skin," a wonderful blending of old gold, amber and coppery bronze, the whole forming a flower of marvelous brilliancy, with a center zone of reddish bronze. This flower is highly recommended either for garden or exhibition for its size, stem and grand color. Tubers \$1.00.
- The General.** (Dec.) (Meachen & Sherman.) A deep garnet flower of unusual size with a silvery white reverse, the combination forming a blossom of remarkable beauty and charm. Tubers \$2.50. Plants \$1.25.
- W. J. Erwin.** (Dec.) No doubt this is the best lavender purple dahlia ever produced. It surely has size, the best of stems and is a very free bloomer. This is a dahlia everybody likes and a prize to have. Tubers \$3.50. Plants \$1.75.
- World's Best White.** (Dec.) After introducing a number of fine white dahlias Mr. Murphy claims this is his best white. It certainly is a wonder for bloom, size, stem, quality and everything to be desired. Tubers \$1.50. Plants \$1.00.

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