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—OF—
STRAWBERRY PLANTS

RASPBERRY PLANTS, ASPARAGUS ROOTS, ETC.

Hall's TRUE-TO-NAME Plants Are Sure To Grow
And Produce Big Crops.

J. KEIFFORD HALL

SMALL FRUIT SPECIALIST

Rhodesdale, - - - Maryland

I have unsurpassed facilities for prompt and safe shipment to all points, and I always secure the lowest rate possible.

1932—Greetings—1932

Owing to the short crop of strawberry and other plants for 1931, I did not issue a booklet, as I thought I did not have enough plants to supply all my old customers.

It is a real pleasure to send out to my friends and customers this booklet again this season.

I honestly have as good if not the best stock of plants for my customers for 1932 I have ever grown. The season for growing and rooting of plants was never better.

As usual my plants are grown mostly in New Land. The root system cannot be better, and absolutely free from disease.

Those who read this booklet who have never given me a trial order do so this spring. I do not believe you will ever regret it.

I fully appreciate every customer. I want you a satisfied customer, your success is my success.

When you receive this booklet look it over, make out your order, send it in. The plants will be reserved for you. If you do not do this, many times if you wait until late the varieties you are needing are sold and you are out of luck, do not let this occur. There is no need for it. Send your order to one who is a Specialist.

I am

Yours for a prosperous year,

J. KEIFFORD HALL,

The Small Fruit Specialist.

P. S. I want every customer a booster for Hall's plants to his friends.

Please Read Carefully

While I do not attempt to grow all varieties that are grown, I do grow the ones that I can honestly recommend to the public.

Please do not order plants of any variety if it is not listed, unless you allow me to substitute.

MY MOTTO. Once a customer, always a customer.

PARCEL POST. My mail package is light, and yet substantial that I can deliver plants to your door in perfect shape, and don't believe there are any better plants to be obtained anywhere.

BY FREIGHT. I ship plants this way, but it is always with the understanding that it is at purchaser's risk.

PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, but orders will be booked and held, providing a remittance is enclosed with order, and when balance is paid order will be forwarded.

C. O. D. ORDERS, will be accepted and promptly filled, but when made out for large orders, a part of the money must accompany order or satisfactory reference given.

SUBSTITUTION. It is not always possible for us to have plants of all the varieties we have listed, late in the season, but if allowed we can often substitute a better variety and thus save time, which is very important. Please indicate in order if you object to substitution. If you don't we will take it for granted that substitution is satisfactory.

REFERENCE. (By permission). The Eastern Shore Trust Co., East New Market, Md. Postmaster Rhodesdale, Md.

NURSERY INSPECTION. Copy of certificate attached to each shipment.

STRAWBERRIES should be grown by every person who has a rod of ground. They can produce on almost any soil, and there is no fruit so delicious or healthful. If you had no strawberries on your table last year, don't repeat the loss this season.

HOW BEST TO REMIT. By registered letter, bank draft, check to my order, postoffice money order or express order.

SHIPPING SEASON. In fall from September 1st to January 1st. Spring from February 1st to May 10. It frequently happens that I can furnish plants to Southern customers all through the winter, note a time when the ground is not frozen.

CUSTOMERS. Your order, when received, will be shipped as promptly as possible. I am rushed at times, but will get your order out at first opportunity: I believe in prompt shipments.

LOOK. I do not dig plants before order is received, in either spring or fall.

GUARANTEE. All plants are guaranteed to be true to name, and I will replace any plants found otherwise, but in no case will I be responsible for damage beyond first cost. Safe arrival of all plants sent by mail.

NURSERYMEN and DEALERS. Send me your **Want List.** If you want something that will please your customers, you need not go any further. I guarantee you a square deal.

Express shipments are not guaranteed.

SHIPMENTS BY PARCEL POST, C. O. D. FOR POSTAGE is surely a good way. They will be delivered to you, you will only have to pay post-man C. O. D. charges.

STOP, LOOK AND READ

When I get ready to fill an order for a customer the order is taken to the packing house and given to a man or men according to the size of the order, with labels, he or they go to the field with a digger and a bushel basket, they dig the plants, lay them around the basket which is protected from sun and wind, when the basket is filled they are taken to a house to experienced women counters who count and tie them in bunches of 26 for 25. All small and undesirable ones are discarded, then they are relabeled and put aside until the packers get to them. I have found in this way that I have better plants and they are put up in better shape. It costs more to do it this way but this means satisfied customers.

When you read this and send your order you will know how your order is to be handled. The house where counting is done is an eight-room house, each room being 12x16 feet. From the above you can see how careful I am to keep my plants from becoming mixed.

Quality your first consideration. There are a great many plant dealers. Some are selling plants that have had little experience in growing or fruiting them. It is your duty to know when you place your order who you are placing it with. I for my own self would prefer one that has had experience one who knows the habits of the different varieties, and one who knows what is best for the different localities, also know that the plants are true-to-name, free from disease and well-rooted.

I have spent my whole life in this business. I make it a study day in and day out. I claim to be a specialist. Every order is given my personal attention.

Mr. Hall.

Owings Mills, Md.

Dear Sir:—For some years we have been one of your regular customers for strawberry plants. Asparagus roots, etc. Plants have always come forward in fine shape, liberal count and in vigorous condition, always true to name and producing good crops for us.

We hope to continue as one of your satisfied customers and wishing you well, we are

Yours truly,

Edward G. Knatz.

Gentlemen:

York, R. R. No. 9

For ten years I have bought my strawberry plants from J. K. Hall.

When better plants are grown, Hall grows them.

When 100% Service is wanted, Hall will produce it.

On April 9 I planted one acre of strawberries all Hall plants, I challenge any one to match my patch in York Co., Penna. No matter who your Plant Grower is, come to see my patch five miles south of York, Pa. on Susquehanna Trail.

(Signed)

Mont Smith

STRAWBERRIES

DESCRIPTION OF VARIETIES

HORSEY

THE GREAT EARLY STRAWBERRY

HORSEY. (Perfect.) This berry has been tested over a wide area; has proven satisfactory and as represented. It is very early and as near frost-proof as any can be. It stood the test of 1920 and 1921, when practically all early varieties were killed by the late frosts. The berry is oblong, tapers but not real sharp. When packed they are beauties. Firm, will ship anywhere. It is earlier than Premier. Plants large, strong, healthy growers, entirely free from disease. Color, a deep red that runs all through the berry, sour. The calyx is large and dark green which adds to its beauty.

It is a very strong bi-sexual variety and will make a pollenizer for imperfect varieties.

If you have tested Premier I claim it will produce as many quarts per acre as Premier. Some of my customers claim it will produce more. The Horsey ripens its crop quickly. You get your money before the market is glutted.

BELLMAR. Another variety the U. S. Department of Agriculture developed from a cross of Howard 17 (Premier) and Missionary made in 1922 which is just being introduced this season. As we have not yet fruited this variety we are quoting from Circular No. 171 of the U. S. Department of Agriculture dated July, 1931. "Because of its superior characteristics it is recommended for trial in Maryland, Delaware, and New Jersey, and it should be tested in comparison with Howard 17 (Premier) wherever that variety is adapted for the general market. As compared with Howard 17 (Premier) the plants are much more vigorous and produce runners more freely; the blossoms are perfect, ripens about a week earlier than Premier and fruits about as long in Glenndale, Md., it has been more productive than Premier and has produced a better grade of berries, and on good soil the berries are as large, color bright red, similar to Premier but not as dark as Missionary, they have a very large green calyx and a gloss which has caused it to be selected as the handsomest among hundreds. They are firmer than Premier and not so acid as Missionary. They rank high in dessert quality when grown under North Carolina and Maryland conditions" We advise early ordering this season.

Price, 25-75c: 50-\$1.00; 100-\$1.75; 250-\$3.00; 500-\$4.50; 1000-\$8.00.

BLAKEMORE. This is the new early shipping berry developed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and it is predicted that it will take the place of Klondyke and Missionary as an early shipping berry. It is a great plant maker and said to be one of the best keepers after being picked of them all. The berries are very attractive when packed, this coupled with their good size, good shipping qualities and their productiveness should make it one of the leading early varieties if not the leader. Another very important thing in their favor is that they can be left on the vines between pickings longer than most any other variety and still be in good shipping condition. This one thing alone means a lot when you are short of pickers or when a spell of rainy weather is on. We suggest that you do not fail to try Blakemore.

EARLY JERSEY GIANT. (Perfect.) This variety has its right name. It is early and a giant in size, color a light red, good flavor, very productive, good plant maker, of large plants deep rooted and very green, tall foliage. They have been picked as they run and twenty filled a quart.

If you want something large, good to eat; fancy, plant this variety.

COOPER. (Perfect.) The plants are very large and strong growers with long fibrous roots which will stand drouth. The berries are very large and remain so through the whole fruiting season. The quality is good. For home use and market it cannot be beaten. Medium early, good plant maker. Color light red. You need not be afraid to give it a trial.

THE-BEST. It surely has the right name, if I know anything about a late berry. It is the Best I have tested. With me last season, I saved only a few plants for testing; the fruit was large, firm, large double-cap, which when packed was beautiful. It was later than Lupton with me, heavier cropper than Lupton or Gandy. It is a good grower of large plants, deep-rooted, resembles Gandy, but far better. I certainly like it and advise planting it as soon as you can get the plants. I am limited myself, on plants. If you want any, you better order early or else write me before ordering.

LUPTON. (Perfect). Hails from New Jersey. It is a great favorite as a late berry, very large, as firm as Klondyke, more productive than Gandy or Chesapeake. In plant growth and vigor, it is as good as the best. I have fruited and can recommend it to all customers. The fruit is large, round, with large double green cap, which makes it very showy and brings the highest price in market. If you want a late berry, plant Lupton.

PREMIER. (Perfect). Early, begins to ripen with Klondyke. It is very large and remains large through a long season. It is very common to hear of Premier producing 250 to 300 bushels per acre of berries of the finest quality. The foliage is light green, a good plant maker, a flavor delicious. If you are looking for something for a garden to last over a long season, plant Premier. It is firm, but does not seem to carry well under refrigeration.

BRANDYWINE. (Perfect). Late. Fruit extra large and very firm. Has unequalled shipping qualities. It is standard variety the country over. Very productive.

NORWOOD. (Perfect) Mid-season. One of the very largest strawberries grown. Fruit bright red, of good quality. Does not do well south of Pennsylvania.

CHESAPEAKE. (Perfect). I really consider Chesapeake one of the best, if not the best, late strawberry. It will out ship and out sell any other variety. The berries are large and hold up their size well to the end of the season. It is delicious in flavor, firm enough to ship to distant markets, handsome in appearance, beautiful red color, uniform in shape and has a bright green cap, foliage remarkably healthy, rather a poor plant maker unless the soil is rich. I have found the earlier Chesapeake is planted in spring the better. They grow better and make better beds. I have never been able to grow enough plants to fill my orders. You had better place your order for Chesapeake early.

JOE JOHNSON, BIG JOE. (Perfect). Late. Ripens with Chesapeake. Fruit is firm and of large size, has a good flavor, no green tips, wonderfully productive; plants are strong growers, thrive on any soil that will produce strawberries. If you are not growing Joe Johnson, plant heavily of them this spring. You will not regret it.

MISSIONARY. (Perfect). Early. For the early market this variety is known as Queen, while Klondyke is known as King for the South. Both varieties are now being extensively planted all over the country. Fruit is large, firm, beautifully shaped. Very productive.

MASCOT. (Perfect). Late. Begins ripening about three days after Gandy first begins ripening. Fruit is very fine, and as large as any we know of. We have extensively planted this variety for fruiting purposes. It is a good one and has come to stay. Bears his crop of big, firm, red berries. Extensively planted in all strawberry sections of the country.

NEW YORK. (Perfect). Mid-season. A popular mid-season variety. Plants are large and healthy. Fruit very large and ordinary firm. Noted for producing extra crops on very poor soils. Extensively planted all over the northern half of the United States.

PRIDE OF MICHIGAN. Same as New York.

HUNDRED DOLLAR. Same as New York.

McKINLEY. Same as New York.

UNKLE JIM. Same as New York.

OSWEGO. Same as New York.

RYCKMAN. Same as New York.

WM. BELT. (Perfect). Mid-season. Fruit is very large and firm, of a delicate flavor. Succeeds on a great variety of soils. A very good one.

SAMPLE. (Imperfect) Medium late. Extensively planted throughout the North, Middle and Western States. Very productive of large well made berries, firm for long distance shipping. A standard variety.

PARSONS' BEAUTY. (Perfect). Mid-season. A very strong pollinizer. Fruit is very large, firm enough for long distance shipping. A good all-around berry. Extensively planted all over the country.

SUCCESS. (Perfect). Mid-season. One of the best mid-season varieties. Makes wonderful yields on any soil that will produce strawberries of any kind. Fruit is large to extra large, bright scarlet color; flavor is mild, sweet and rich; ordinary firm.

MARSHALL. (Perfect) Mid-season. A good plant maker of choice, strong well-rooted plants; fruit large to very large, colored through and through, flavor as fine as one could wish; very firm and a good shipper. A standard variety.

AROMA. (Perfect). Late. Planted in all sections of the country, especially in the Middle West and Southern States. Fruit is very large, but not of the largest. Quality unsurpassed. Very productive.

Mr. J. Keifford Hall,

Lock Haven, Pa.

Dear Sir:

I received the strawberry plants and planted them the same day. Wish to say they were the best looking plants and best packed plants I ever planted. Have been planting strawberry plants for 16 years.

Very truly yours,

W. G. Berry.

Dear Sir:

Pine Brook, N. J.

The plants you sent arrived in good condition and were fine. If I do not have good success with them it will be no fault of the plants. Thanks for prompt delivery, good plants, and good packing.

Yours for future orders,

E. N. Van Duyne.

KLONDYKE. (Perfect). Of Southern origin. Production firm. Brilliant colored and famous on all markets as a re-shipper. Great plant maker. All commercial growers should plant it.

BUBACH. (Imperfect). Mid-season. An old standard variety well known the country over. Fruit extra large, bright red; foliage very strong, of dark green color. Very productive.

SENATOR DUNLAP. (Perfect). Early mid-season. A reliable market berry. One that succeeds in all parts of the country. Very productive. Fruit is medium to large, very firm and attractive. Always sells for top prices.

GLEN MARY. (Perfect) Mid-season. Like Klondyke, a perfect flowering variety but not suited to plant with imperfect flowering sorts, as it only furnishes enough pollen for its own use. A standard variety throughout the North half of the country. Fruit is extra large, firm. Always brings top prices.

KELLOGG'S PRIZE. (Imp.) This new variety, introduced by Mr. Kellogg, of Michigan, seems to be just what we have been looking for, for a long time—that is, a good, imperfect variety. It has more good qualities than nine-tenths of the varieties that I have fruited. Good size, solid heavy cropper, and a strong grower. I should judge that a field of this variety, fertilized with Joe Johnson, Chesapeake, would be about the best of anything in strawberries. Be sure to try this one.

IMPROVED HEFLIN. A fine extra early berry that will succeed on most all types of soil. A vigorous grower of good size, strong, healthy plants that make a good fruiting bed. Berries of good size, bright red color, excellent flavor and quality. A good shipper also good for local market and home gardens. If you want a berry of this type for an early berry include some of them in your order.

Mr. Hall,

Hughesville, Pa. R. No. 2

Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will find order for plants. I want to say the plants I bought of you two years ago were fine. The 500 Premier yielded last year 1000 qts. of the finest berries in the neighborhood, others did well also. In the future when buying plants I will know where to get them.

Yours truly,

John S. Andrews.

Fall or Everbearing Strawberries

A great many people think that the Fall or Everbearing Strawberries are a fake. If you were to happen here in September, October and even the first part of November, you would not say it is a fake.

You can see these plants in early spring and have fruit from them from August until the ground freezes. I mean to say lots of it, the same year. Every garden should have some of them in it. Don't forget to include some Fall Bearing in your order. You will be more than pleased. Wouldn't it be nice to have strawberries all summer and fall.

MASTADON. (Everbearing). Mastadon is the only everbearing variety that has a chance of being profitable commercially. It produces lots of large berries. Mastadon has the advantage of Progressive and Champion inasmuch as it is large enough for commercial purposes. It is a strong grower of large plants and very deep-rooted. The quality of the berries is not quite as good as Progressive and Champion but superior in all other respects. They eat well, sell well and are firm enough to ship.

PROGRESSIVE. (Perfect) A genuine fall bearing. Plants of good size, deep rooted and makes as many plants as most of the standard varieties. The fruit is of medium size, dark red and the flavor is unsurpassed. To obtain best results, keep blossoms off until August 1st, then when they begin to ripen you will have something you will be proud of. The runners from the young plants bear a nice lot of fruit. Be sure and order some of these plants.

CHAMPION. This is truly a good berry. In plant growth it resembles Progressive but will produce a much heavier crop of larger berries of the very best quality for eating. With me it hasn't been a good plant maker, other than I consider it the best Fall bearing.

Asparagus Roots

When planting Asparagus roots, set four to six inches deep, and about 12 inches apart in the row, covering with only three inches of soil at first and filling the trenches as the plants grow.

PALMETTO. Of Southern origin; a variety of excellent quality; hardy, very large. All who have used it pronounce it very fine.

MARTHA WASHINGTON. This new Asparagus was sent out by the Department of Agriculture at Washington, as superior to all other varieties, on account of its freedom from blight and other diseases. It is claimed to be larger and more productive, than other kinds, and more satisfactory in every way. My plants are fine and large.

PRICES: One year, \$1.25 per 100; \$ 7.00 per 1000.

Two year, \$1.75 per 100; \$10.00 per 1000.

Prices on application for smaller or larger lots than quoted above.

Samples of one and two year old Asparagus sent upon request, of any variety.

Raspberry Plants

ST. REGIS (Red). 25 for 75c, 50 for \$1.25, 100 for \$2.25, 250 for \$5.00, 500 for \$8.00, 1000 for \$15.00.

Dewberries

LUCRETIA. Is the best. Large, sweet, jet black, heavy cropper, very firm, good shipper, and a very profitable berry.

\$1.00 per 25. \$1.75 per 50. \$2.50 per 100. \$7.50 per 500. \$15.00 per 1000.

Dear Sir:

Marietta, Pa.

The Horsey and The Best Strawberry Plants were all perfectly right, as planted and have fruited in an entirely satisfactory manner, being beautiful, large and plentiful and with high quality.

With best wishes for your success.

Sincerely your,

E. M. Miley.

Mr. Hall,

Grantville, Md.

Dear Sir:

The spring of 1928 I ordered 5,000 strawberry plants from you. You requested that I should let you know how I was pleased with them in which I will say they were fine, in good shape and nearly everyone grew. I want your prices on more such as I bought last spring.

Yours respectfully,

Alvin H. Yoder.

FALL PLANTING

I have been selling plants for fall setting for several years and my business has grown beyond expectations. I find that fall setting is growing in favor with a great many growers. Personally I think it a good thing, especially if you are growing them for "hill culture," you can set them out in September and October and get your crop next spring and you have saved a whole year of expense hoeing, cultivating and pulling out weeds and grass. On the other hand if you are growing them under the matted row system, if you set them in the fall you will have them set and out of the way when your spring work is rushing you. Besides you are sure of a good stand and when they start off in the spring they will have longer to grow, which insures a heavy matted row of strong plants ready for next years crop.

When you receive this catalog and you do not want to order in the spring, keep it and when the fall comes just drop me a postal asking me for my fall price-list, which will be sent you at once. There is one thing that I want to impress upon you—it makes no difference if you order from "Hall" spring or fall you will get what you buy and that which will be true to name and free from disease.

Do not forget that I do not issue my fall price-list before August 1st. I begin to ship plants September 1st., for fall planting.

Dear Sir:

Ossining, N. Y.

Replying to yours of recent date in reference to "Horsey" strawberries purchased from you. Have found they will do all that you claim for them and whosoever plants them will be satisfied customers for when they sell them once they will ask for them again.

Yours very truly,

Martin C. Ridner.

Mr. J. K. Hall

York, Pa., R. 2.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing you a testimonial and mean just what I say. If you want to use it, all right, go ahead.

Have been buying plants from you since 1910 and always found them healthy, strong rooted plants and best of all true to name. Last year I ordered my plants on April 25th and received them April 27th; prompt shipment.

Wishing you future success, I remain

Yours truly,

Frank Hovis.

Mr. Hall, Dear Sir:

Frankfort, N. Y.

The strawberry plants bought of you arrived on the 13th in good condition. Am well pleased.

Respectfully,

C. Wi Joslin.

Price List of Strawberry Plants

Early to Midseason		per 1000			per 1000
Missionary (per)		\$3.00	Bubach (imp)		4.00
Klondyke (per)		3.00	Marshall (per)		4.00
Kellogg's Premier (per)		3.50	Norwood (per)		4.00
Senator Dunlap (per)		3.00	Sample (imp)		4.00
Early Jersey Giant (per)		4.00	Brandywine (per)		4.00
Howard 17 (per)		3.50	Success (per)		3.50
Dr. Burrell (per)		3.00			
Improved Heflin (per)		3.00	Late to very Late		
Cooper (per)		3.50	Aroma (per)		3.50
Horsey (per)		5.00	Chesapeake (per)		4.00
Blakemore (per)		3.00	Gandy (per)		3.00
Bellmar (per)		7.00	Big Joe (per)		3.50
Mid Season to Late			Kellogg's Prize (imp)		4.00
Glen Mary (per)		4.00	Lupton (per)		3.50
Wm. Belt (per)		4.00	The Best (per)		5.00
Parsons Beauty (per)		4.00	Mascott (per)		5.00
New York (per)		4.00			

FALL OR EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

	25	50	100	500	1000
Progressive (per)	\$.50	\$.90	\$1.50	\$4.00	\$ 8.00
Champion (per)	\$.60	\$1.00	\$1.50	\$4.00	\$ 8.00
Mastadon (per)	\$1.00	\$1.20	\$1.75	\$5.00	\$10.00

Ask for Special Prices on any variety of 5000 or more.

Note—Varieties marked (Imp) have imperfect blossoms and when planted a variety marked (Per) should be planted every third or fourth row.

PRICES FOR LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND OF ONE VARIETY

	When price per 1000 is	\$3.00	\$3.50	\$4.00	\$5.00
25 plants		\$.20	\$.30	\$.35	\$.40
50 plants		.30	.40	.45	.55
75 plants		.40	.50	.55	.65
100 plants		.60	.75	.80	.90
150 plants		.80	.90	1.00	1.20
200 plants		.90	1.10	1.25	1.40
250 plants		1.05	1.20	1.40	1.60
300 plants		1.15	1.30	1.60	1.80
350 plants		1.25	1.40	1.80	2.00
400 plants		1.35	1.50	1.90	2.20
450 plants		1.45	1.75	2.00	2.35
500 plants		1.60	1.90	2.10	2.50

I recommend Parcel Post shipments up to fifth zone. I will ship C. O. D. for postage, especially small packages.

Some Planting Suggestions

All varieties of the Strawberry give the greatest yield and the largest berries when grown on rich soil; hence no pains should be spared in preparing the bed carefully before planting, by digging or plowing deeply and turning under a liberal application of well-rotted manure. Pulverize the surface soil thoroughly with harrow and rake, and if a top-dressing of ground bone can be applied, it will be found a great benefit at fruiting time. Select a location where the soil is moist and deep if possible—moist and yet where water does not stand near or under the surface. In such a soil well-enriched, Strawberries delight and give marvelous results. They will, however, succeed upon any soil if well manured. Strawberries do not succeed when planted in shady locations; hence in selecting a plot for them be careful to avoid places that are shaded by trees.

For hill culture in the family garden, set plants in rows two feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows; or if to be worked by horse and cultivator, have the rows three feet, and the plants one foot apart in the row. In either case, cut the runners as they appear. If to be grown in matted rows, plant in rows three and one-half or four feet apart and the plants fifteen inches apart in the rows, permitting the runners to be set in the row so as to be about six inches apart each way. The after culture consists in keeping the soil mellow and free from weeds by frequent hoeing and cultivation. If you live in the North, where you are subject to severe freezes I would advise you to mulch your plants. At the approach of winter (as soon as the ground is frozen sufficiently to support the weight of horse and cart) cover the entire bed with straw or other loose light material. Light strawy manure is excellent for this purpose, and the soluble portion leaches into the soil and affords nourishment to the plants, while the fibrous portion remains upon the surface as a mulch. Evergreen branches are very useful for holding the mulch in place and are of themselves a protection. When the plants start growing in spring, rake the mulch from the plants sufficiently to permit them to push through it, and leave it on the surface about the plants to protect the fruit and keep it clean and also keep the soil moist and cool. An application of unleached wood ashes or muriate of potash along the rows very early in spring, just before a rainfall, will be found to increase the size, beauty and flavor of the berries.

Certificate of Nursery Inspection

To Whom It May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that on the 7th day of August, 1931, we examined the Nursery Stock of J. Keifford Hall, growing in the nurseries at Rhodesdale, County of Dorchester, State of Maryland, in accordance with the law of Maryland, 1898, Chapter 289, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection, from the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellow, Pear Blight, and other dangerous, injurious pests and plant diseases.

This certificate is valid until Sept. 1st., 1932 and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

ERNEST N. CORY, State Entomologist,

C. E. Temple, State Pathologist.

College Park, Md.