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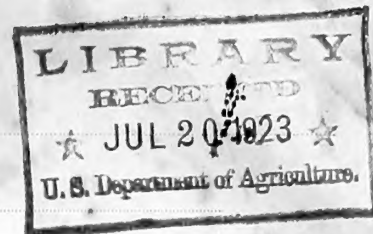
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|----------------|--|----------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
|                | <b>EXTRA EARLY VARIETIES.</b>            |          |                 |                | Evergreen Sweet Fodder.....      | 554                               | 45              |                            |
| .....          | Fordhook, Early.....                     | 501      | 60              | .....          | .....                            | 555                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Burpee's First of All.....               | 502      |                 | .....          | .....                            | 556                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Red Cory.....                            | 503      |                 | .....          | .....                            | 557                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | White Cory.....                          | 504      |                 | .....          | .....                            | 558                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Marblehead.....                          | 505      |                 | .....          | .....                            | 559                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Extra Early Adams.....                   | 506      |                 |                | <b>FIELD CORN.</b>               |                                   |                 |                            |
| .....          | Burlington Hybrid.....                   | 507      |                 |                | <b>CANADIAN FLINT VARIETIES.</b> |                                   |                 |                            |
| .....          | Burbank's Early Maine.....               | 508      |                 |                | .....                            | New Connecticut Giant.....        | 560             | 50                         |
| .....          | Crosby's (Original Strain).....          | 509      |                 |                | .....                            | Compton's Early.....              | 561             | 30                         |
| .....          | Chicago Market.....                      | 510      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Eight Rowed, Yellow.....    | 562             |                            |
| .....          | Perry's Hybrid.....                      | 511      |                 |                | .....                            | Longfellow, Yellow.....           | 563             |                            |
| .....          | Bonanza.....                             | 512      |                 |                | .....                            | Angel of Midnight, Yellow.....    | 564             |                            |
| .....          | Minnesota.....                           | 513      |                 |                | .....                            | Sandford White.....               | 565             |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 514      |                 |                | .....                            | Thoroughbred White.....           | 566             |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 515      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             | 567             |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 516      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             | 568             |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 517      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             | 569             |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 518      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             | 570             |                            |
|                | <b>MEDIUM EARLY VARIETIES.</b>           |          |                 | .....          | .....                            | 571                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | New England Sweet.....                   | 519      | 60              |                | <b>DENT VARIETIES.</b>           |                                   |                 |                            |
| .....          | New Columbus Market.....                 | 520      |                 |                | .....                            | Minnesota King, Yellow.....       | 572             | 30                         |
| .....          | Hance's Early.....                       | 521      |                 |                | .....                            | King of the Earliest, Yellow..... | 573             |                            |
| .....          | Champion.....                            | 522      |                 |                | .....                            | Pride of the North, Yellow.....   | 574             |                            |
| .....          | Crosby's (Conn. Strain).....             | 523      |                 |                | .....                            | White Cap, Yellow.....            | 575             |                            |
| .....          | Early Adams.....                         | 524      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Butler, Yellow.....         | 576             |                            |
| .....          | Honey.....                               | 525      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Huron, Yellow.....          | 577             |                            |
| .....          | Pee and Kay.....                         | 526      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Waterloo, Yellow.....       | 578             |                            |
| .....          | Shaker's Early.....                      | 527      |                 |                | .....                            | Iowa Gold Mine, Yellow.....       | 579             |                            |
| .....          | Moore's Concord.....                     | 528      |                 |                | .....                            | Legal Tender, Yellow.....         | 580             |                            |
| .....          | New England, Eight Rowed.....            | 529      |                 | .....          | Improved Leaming, Yellow.....    | 581                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Old Colony.....                          | 530      | 60              | .....          | Mastodon, Yellow.....            | 582                               | 30              |                            |
| .....          | Mammoth Early.....                       | 531      |                 |                | .....                            | Golden Beauty, Yellow.....        |                 | 583                        |
| .....          | Black Mexican.....                       | 532      |                 |                | .....                            | Red Cob, White Dent.....          |                 | 584                        |
| .....          | Potter's Excelsior.....                  | 533      |                 |                | .....                            | Wisconsin White Dent.....         |                 | 585                        |
| .....          | Squantum.....                            | 534      |                 |                | .....                            | Champion White Pearl.....         |                 | 586                        |
| .....          | Hickox Improved.....                     | 535      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             |                 | 587                        |
| .....          | Russell's Prolific.....                  | 536      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             |                 | 588                        |
| .....          | None Such.....                           | 537      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             |                 | 589                        |
| .....          | Stabler's Pedigree.....                  | 538      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             |                 | 590                        |
| .....          | .....                                    | 539      |                 |                | .....                            | .....                             |                 | 591                        |
| .....          | .....                                    | 540      |                 |                | <b>CUCUMBER.</b>                 |                                   |                 |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 541      |                 | QUANTITY LBS.  | .....                            | 592                               | 12              |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 542      |                 | .....          | Early Russian.....               | 592                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | .....                                    | 543      |                 | .....          | Extra Early Siberian.....        | 593                               |                 |                            |
|                | <b>LATE VARIETIES.</b>                   |          |                 | .....          | Extra Early Seedling.....        | 594                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Mammoth.....                             | 544      | 60              | .....          | Early Cluster.....               | 595                               |                 |                            |
| .....          | Egyptian.....                            | 545      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Frame.....                  |                 | 596                        |
| .....          | Stowell's Evergreen.....                 | 546      |                 |                | .....                            | Early Short Green.....            |                 | 597                        |
| .....          | Stowell's Evergreen, Extra Selected..... | 547      |                 |                | .....                            | Arlington Early White Spine.....  |                 | 598                        |
| .....          | Zig-Zag Evergreen.....                   | 548      |                 |                | .....                            | Arlington White Spine, } Boston   |                 | 599                        |
| .....          | Everbearing.....                         | 549      |                 |                | .....                            | Hill's Forcing Strain } Market    |                 |                            |
| .....          | Gold Coin.....                           | 550      |                 |                | .....                            | Peerless White Spine.....         |                 | 600                        |
| .....          | Improved Ruby.....                       | 551      |                 |                | .....                            | Improved White Spine.....         |                 | 601                        |
| .....          | Ne Plus Ultra.....                       | 552      |                 | 75             | .....                            | Bismarck White Spine.....         |                 | 602                        |
| .....          | Country Gentleman.....                   | 553      |                 |                |                                  | .....                             |                 | Evergreen White Spine..... |
|                |  |          |                 | .....          | Extra Long White Spine.....      | 604                               |                 |                            |

| QUANTITY<br>LBS.                  | CUCUMBER.                                 | CROP<br>NO. | PRICE PER<br>POUND. | QUANTITY<br>LBS.                | MUSK MELON.                     | CROP<br>NO.                             | PRICE PER<br>POUND. |
|-----------------------------------|---|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| .....                             | Nichol's Medium Green.....                | 605         | 12                  | .....                           | *Baltimore or Acme.....         | 660                                     | 11                  |
| .....                             | Westerfield's Chicago Pickling.....       | 606         |                     | .....                           | Perfection.....                 | 661                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Boston Pickling.....                      | 607         |                     | .....                           | California Nectar.....          | 662                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Jersey Pickling.....                      | 608         |                     | .....                           | Princess.....                   | 663                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Green Prolific Pickling.....              | 609         |                     | .....                           | *Pineapple.....                 | 664                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Extra Early Green Prolific.....           | 610         |                     | .....                           | *Champion Market.....           | 665                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Thorburn's Commercial Pickle.....         | 611         |                     | .....                           | *New Orleans Market.....        | 666                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Livingston's Evergreen.....               | 612         |                     | .....                           | Miller's Cream.....             | 667                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Thorburn's Everbearing.....               | 613         |                     | .....                           | *Chicago Market.....            | 668                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Tailby's Hybrid.....                      | 614         |                     | .....                           | Emerald Gem.....                | 669                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Improved Long Green.....                  | 615         | 20                  | .....                           | Osage.....                      | 670                                     | 12                  |
| .....                             | Long Green Turkey.....                    | 616         |                     | .....                           | Banana.....                     | 671                                     |                     |
| .....                             | White Dutch.....                          | 617         |                     | .....                           | *Maule's Superior.....          | 672                                     |                     |
| .....                             | White Pearl.....                          | 618         |                     | .....                           | Vick's Irondequoit.....         | 673                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Cool and Crisp.....                       | 619         |                     | .....                           | Perfected Delmonico.....        | 674                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Benary's Half Long Green, Prickly.....    | 620         |                     | .....                           | *Columbus.....                  | 675                                     |                     |
| .....                             | White Wonder.....                         | 621         |                     | .....                           | Triumph.....                    | 676                                     |                     |
| .....                             | New Albino.....                           | 622         |                     | .....                           | *Netted Beauty.....             | 677                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Fordhook White Spine.....                 | 623         |                     | .....                           | Banquet.....                    | 678                                     |                     |
| .....                             | West India Gherkin.....                   | 624         |                     | .....                           | Tip-Top.....                    | 679                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Japanese Climbing.....                    | 625         | 30                  | .....                           | *Superb.....                    | 680                                     | 14                  |
| .....                             | Japanese Climbing, White.....             | 626         |                     | .....                           | *Melrose.....                   | 681                                     |                     |
| .....                             | New Extra Early Long Green.....           | 627         |                     | .....                           | *Ferry's Cosmopolitan.....      | 682                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Giant Pera.....                           | 628         |                     | .....                           | *Green Fleshed Osage.....       | 683                                     |                     |
| .....                             | War Club.....                             | 629         |                     | .....                           | *Henderson's Newport.....       | 684                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Snake.....                                | 630         |                     | .....                           | *Southern Beauty.....           | 685                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Parisian Pickling.....                    | 631         |                     | .....                           | *Jersey Belle.....              | 686                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Ex. Long Green Giant (20 to 24 in.).....  | 632         |                     | .....                           | *Long Island Beauty.....        | 687                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Long Green Athens (15 to 20 in.).....     | 633         |                     | .....                           | Shumway's Giant.....            | 688                                     |                     |
| .....                             | New Giant White (18 to 20 inches).....    | 634         |                     | 40                              | .....                           | Imp'd Netted Gem (Rose Bros. Stk.)..... |                     |
| .....                             | New Goliath Long Green (20 to 25 in)..... | 635         | .....               |                                 | Thorburn's New Giant.....       | 690                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 636         | .....               |                                 | *Gian Chicago Market.....       | 691                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 637         | .....               |                                 | *Melon or Vine Peach.....       | 692                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 638         | .....               |                                 | Persian Monarch.....            | 693                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 639         | .....               |                                 | Extra Early Giant Prolific..... | 694                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 640         | .....               |                                 | *Cannon Ball.....               | 695                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | 641         | .....               |                                 | New Apple Shaped.....           | 696                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | .....       | .....               |                                 | .....                           | 697                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | .....       | .....               |                                 | .....                           | 698                                     |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | .....       | .....               | .....                           | 699                             |   |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | .....       | .....               | .....                           | 700                             |   |                     |
| .....                             | .....                                     | .....       | .....               | .....                           | 701                             |   |                     |
| <b>MUSK MELON—Green Fleshed.*</b> |   |             |                     | <b>WATER MELON.</b>             |                                 |   |                     |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Green Citron.....            | 642         | 11                  | .....                           | Vick's Early.....               | 702                                     | 11                  |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Jenny Lind.....              | 643         |                     | .....                           | Phinney's Early.....            | 703                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Extra Early Hackensack.....              | 644         |                     | .....                           | Kolb's Gem.....                 | 704                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Prolific Nutmeg.....               | 645         |                     | .....                           | Dixie.....                      | 705                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Netted Gem, Burpee's Strain.....   | 646         |                     | .....                           | Mountain Sweet.....             | 706                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Early Netted Chicago Little Gem.....     | 647         |                     | .....                           | Pride of Georgia.....           | 707                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Large Green Citron.....                  | 648         |                     | .....                           | Mountain Sprout.....            | 708                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Surprise.....                             | 649         |                     | .....                           | Dark Icing or Ice Rind.....     | 709                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *White Japan.....                         | 650         |                     | .....                           | Light Icing.....                | 710                                     |                     |
| .....                             | Improved Orange Christina.....            | 651         |                     | .....                           | Peerless.....                   | 711                                     |                     |
| .....                             | *Large Hackensack.....                    | 652         | .....               | Cuban Queen.....                | 712                             |   |                     |
| .....                             | *Casaba.....                              | 653         | .....               | Black Spanish (black seed)..... | 713                             |   |                     |
| .....                             | Imp. Round Yellow Cantaloupe.....         | 654         | .....               | Landreth's Boss.....            | 714                             |   |                     |
| .....                             | Long Yellow Cantaloupe.....               | 655         | .....               | .....                           | .....                           | .....                                   |                     |
| .....                             | *Skillman's Netted.....                   | 656         | .....               | .....                           | .....                           | .....                                   |                     |
| .....                             | Grand Rapids.....                         | 657         | .....               | .....                           | .....                           | .....                                   |                     |
| .....                             | *Bay View.....                            | 658         | .....               | .....                           | .....                           | .....                                   |                     |
| .....                             | *Montreal Market.....                     | 659         | .....               | .....                           | .....                           | .....                                   |                     |

