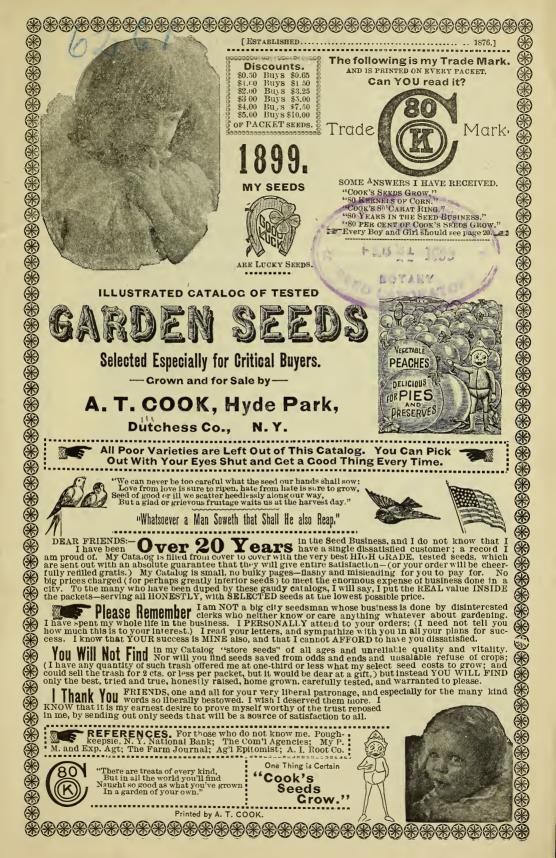
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IMPORTANT! READ EVERY WORD CAREFULLY.

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. Never before have I had so large and fine a stock of seeds, and never have I been able to reduce prices so much. My discounts are also better than ever before. TERMS. Remittances must accompany all orders. I send no seeds on credit or commission.

I GUARANTEE everything sent out by me to reach you in good condition, and will replace any that may be lost or injured on the way. I guarantee satisfaction in all 1 offer, in so far that, should any prove otherwise, I will cheerfully relill order for the same gratis—thus I warrant everything but the crop, and make the purchase of my seeds by mail the safest investment possible.

WHAT I INTEND TO D'). 1st. Furnish the best home-grown seeds at a reasonable price. 2d. Furnish large-size, well-filled packets. 3d. Add many nice extras. 4th. Fill all orders promptly.

I DELIVER free to your nearest Postoffice, (or Express Office) everything offered in this Catalog. **RE MIT** the most convenient way—Postofflee or Express Money Order, Bank Draft, or Registered Letter. I will take the risk by either of these good methods: letters very seldoin get lost. You may select extra packets, to pay cost of order or register. Postage-stamps taken when not convenient to remit otherwise.

ORDER EARLY. Please send in your orders early as possible-before the rush, while my stock is complete, I will have more time then, and you will be SURE to have the seeds on hand when needed.

IF I SEND you extra Catalogs or Circulars. please hand to friends: (and mention it when ordering.) TT Order Sheet is in back of Catalog. EXTRAS. A liberal number added free to all orders.

SPECIAL NOTICE. If any of my customers have purchased seeds of me that did not give satisfac-tion, will kindly mention it when ordering this season, I will be glad to give them anything they wish of equal value. This is a standing offer. It is my sincere wish to please in all cases, and I wish my friends to feel free to write if anything should have proved unreliable.

A few Extracts from Kind Letters from my Customers.



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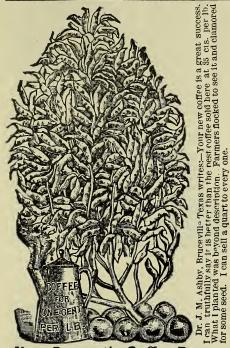


I come back to you for seed, and now I hope there will te "peace at home." J. R. Ellis, Fannin, Mississippi. I come back to you for seed, and now I hope there will te "peace at home." J. R. Ellis, Fannin, Mississippi. **Moncey Can Be Made Easily and Rapidly.** Myone can make good wages selling my Seeds. Almost everybody wants seeds, and all your friends and nabois will buy them of some one anyway, and YoU can have their trade-and the profits, just as well as no if you will look atter it. Many Ladles cest: e something to do to earn "o in money" and he e is a gr.and chance. Many people send me large will be very year, and you can do as well. You have no idea how easy and how pleasant it is to secure orders. Those who try are absolutely sure to earn big wages. Brig is Bo's and Girls who persevere always do well and not only earn money isat, but what is even better, learn valuable business lessons. Now I want my seeds introduced in your vicinity and you can make money helping me, so please take my Catalog and a few sample packets--fir prised to see how easily you can get up a club; nearly everyone will order a few packets at least and many will be glad to give you large orders, and almost beiore you know it you will have a club amounting to \$10.00 \$20.00 or more, and one-half off it will be yours for your trouble. I hope you can esud me many large clubs, but get up a club anyway-no matter how small. My packets are so nead: so large, and well filed, and withall my price is so low that your suc-cers must be certain. Remember I always add many new and valuable seeds gratis-fill all or-ders promptly-deliver everything prepaid, and guarantee entire satisfaction. Tell this to your to an ord-r) and you will bOUBLE your money on these also if you sell a fair orders for these will be generally larger, and your profits will count up fast. My chinamon Vines and the wondertin lew Potato sells VERY FAST (you have only to read the d-scription to be almost sure of an ord-r) and you will DOUBLE your money on

Specialties, Novelties, and Improved Varieties.

The following pages contain the cream (no skimmed milk of all the varieties known to the American Seed Trade. They have been mostly grown and fully tested by me—as well as the most critical gardeners in all sections, and found to possess great value and merit. 1 do not indulte in extravagant illustrations and descriptions, but desire my catalog to be

plain and truthful; and have an honest ring to it that my kind customers may not be deceived.



New Domestic Coffee Berry.

The best coffee substitute ever discovered-many pronouncing it as good as the genuine, and is super pronouncing it as good as the genuine, and is super-seding in a great measure store coffee as fast as its merits become known. It is the poor man's friend. It is the hardlest, easiest raised and most produc-tive of any plant I ever saw. While growing it is a perfect sight to behold; fruits from the ground up, and on the limbs in every direction, the pods touch-ing each other; See coffee cut which does not ex-agerate its wonderful productiveness. In the south two cross of coffee can be raised in a

agerate its wonderful productiveness. In the south two crops of coffee can be raised in a season by planting the first crop early. Many claim that by mixing a few grains of store coffee with the Domestic-combining their flavors, they obtain a more delicious and aromatic beverage than the imported article. It does well on every kind of soil and you can raise your own coffee for one cent a pound. Ground and fed to milch cows it makes the richest and yellowest butter ever seen. It is as easily raised as corn or beans and is cultivated in the same way. Full directions on every packet. Parch and pre-pare like other coffee and you will be surprised at d delighted to find how good it is.

pare like other coffee and you will be surprised at a delighted to find how good tits. My seed is genuine, the stock seed costing \$6.00 per lb. It is quite distinct from the ordinary Soya Bean that some seedisman are offering for Coffee-berry. Buy at Headquarters and avoid disappoint-ment. I am glad to be able to make the following ex-tremely low prices. Large packet 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cts.; 7 for 50 cts.; 15 for \$1.00; all prepaid.

I regret I have only room for the following among HUNDREDS of testimonials. John Baset, Alton III, writes:-- Ilke your coffee as well as most of the coffee I get from the store at 30 to 40 cents per pound.

The St. Louis Christian Advocate, says:--it is one of the most wonderful discoveries of the age. We have never tasted anything that comes so near genuine. *******

A. I. ROOT, Publisher of Gleanings in Bee Culture, Sept. 1896, says:—The collec-berry is a success, and preferable to the real coffee, becau e I think it more healthful. I want to plant a good many nextseason. J. J. H. Gregory, of Mass. says:-It is a fact as we find by actual test. that it tastes so nearly like Bra-

Illian coffee the difference is scarcely preceptible. It is certainly the best of all substitutes—nothing in-jurious about it; is the most nutritious of all vege-table products; it can be raised almost anywhere where corn will mature.



EXTRA EARLY CRACKER ONION.

It would be hard to estimate the great value of this new acquisition. All gardeners who have grown it nave realize l large profits owing to their extraor-dinary earliness. None can approach it. They are enormous croppers of handsome. flat. red bulbs of fine quality. All onion growers should plant it. Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.

PRIZETAKER ONION.

The very best of the huge foreign varieties. and has already gained great popularity here. Universally endorsed as the

largest, handsomest. finest flavored, and most superior mam-moth yellow globe onion ever introduc-ed. There is more money in them than money in them than in any other variety, for the yield with HIGH CULTURE will be something im -mense, and the crop sure to bring twire as much as common sorts. They are mild in flavor, and good keepers. Single spec-



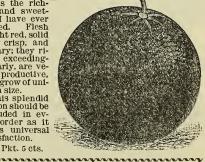
inens have weighed over 5 lbs., and 1,000 bush-els have often been grown on a single acre. YOU surely should grow this King of all Onions. Pkt. 10c.

HUNGARIAN HONEY WATERMELON.

This new variety is the richest and sweet-est I have ever tasted. Flesh bright red, solid very crisp, and sugary; they ri-pen exceedingly early, are ve-ry productive, and grow of uni-form size.

This splendid melon should be included in ev-ery order as it gives universal satisfaction.

Pkt. 5 cts.



EVERYTHING DELIVERED PREPAID AT MY LOW PRICES.

SEE MY WONDERFUL CLUB OFFERS.

EVERYTHING MY SEEDS PACKED IN STRONG ARE HOME-GROWN MANILLA BOXES. AND SELECTED

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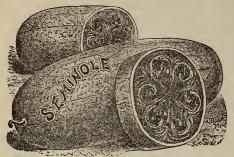
Get up

clubs for

the

Cinnamon Vine.

It is easily done see pages 15 and 21.



SEMINOLE WATERMELON.

This new melon originated in Florida, the land of melons. It is extra early, extra large, enormously productive, and of most delicious flavor. All lovers of fine melons should give the New Seminole a trial.

FLOWERS.

"God might have made the earth bring Enough for great and small, [forth The oak-tree and the cedar-tree. Without a flower at all.

Without a nower at all. He might have made enough, enough For every want of ours. For inverty, medicine, and toil. And yet have made no flow its. Our outward life requires them not. Then wherefore had they birth? To minister delight to man. To beautify the earth 1 To confident mon. to whistow home

To comfort man-to whisper hope Wheneler his faith is dim, For He who care th for the flowers Will care n.u h more for him!



DRUMHEAD SAVOY CABBAGE.



aware HOW Few are Few are aware HOW EXCELLENT are the sa-voy Cabbages. They are of much finer flavor and quality than the best of other sorts. Every family should grow some for their own use. The Drum-heal I offer is the best of its class, and is aptly call-ed "Perfection." The heads are large, finely curled, very compact, and

of most superior flavor. It is an excellent winter keeper. My strain of seed is unusually choice and far superior to the imported, [which 1 could furnish for half my prices.] Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

CARROT. New Oxheart. This carrot comes from France, and is a decided advance in shape, and is easily harvested; It is very thick, attaining from three to four inches in diameter. It is of fine quality, and will prove of great value both in family and mar-ket gardens. Pkt. 5 c.

H. A. Mc.QUISTON, Fair Haven, Ohio. May, 30 th. writes:— For the last three years I have planted your seeds side by side with those of our most re-liable seedsmen such as

and many others; and yours always come out ahead. I have watched it closely and it has surprised me greatly: the difference must be in the vitality of seed.

MAMMOTH MELTING SUGAR PEAS.

Righ'ly named. Cook same as string beans— pods and all. A dish "fit for a k ng." This new variety is far superior to all other surge uses—in all other sugar peas-in both size and delicious quality. Five feet high, bearing peas in the greatest profusion. Every gar-den should have a liberal supply. Pkt. 103. 3 for 25C.

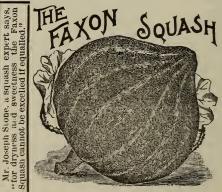
MONEY Every person who receives my Catalog should avail himself of the opportunities to make money.



MAMMOTH RIIUBARB, OR PIE-PLANT. Its stalks are much used

for pies tarts, etc. Every garden should have an am-ple supp y of this excellent, app?ii.er and healthful ye etable. This variety is far superior to the common far superior to the columon sorts. and pr winces im-mense stalks very early in the spring. It has a rich, spicy flavor and is without doubt the finest variety in existence. Rhubarb is of the easiest culture and commands a ready sale in all membras at most miles — comming when irruit and

warkets at good prices—comming when truit and vegetables are scarce. Packet 5 cts.



THE FAXON SQUASH.

This new and distinct variety is very early, of me-dium size, unusually productive and of the best pos-sible quality. They cook dry, sweet and rich wheth-er ripe or green—are an excellent keeper, thus sup-plying the table with this delicacy during three sea-sons—summer, fail and winter. Some Faxons are pale yellow, while others are green. mottled, etc., in fact it is a curious admixture of many sizes, shapes and colors. This is a characteristic of the squash. The flesh is deep orange. cavity small I t is sweet and very dry, and nothing excess it for riles. I am sure my customers will thank me for advising them to give it a trial. Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts-



SUGAR TROUGH GOURD.

These Gourds are very useful for many very useful for many household purposes. such as buckets, bas-kets, nest boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the Winfor storing the Win-ter's lard. They grow to hold from 4 to 10 gallons each. have thick hard shells, very light, but durable, having but durable, having been kept in use as long as 10 years. Pkt. 5 c., 6 for 25 cts,



DESIRABLE NOVELTIES, AND SPECIALTIES.



peculiar lining of this fruit which is sponge-like, porous, very tough, elastic and durable. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth to any pre-pared by art. As a substitute for sponges in the bath, and for many sponges in the bath, and for many other tolic purposes, they have no equal. For fancy work they should be gathered before they get fully ripe and dry; the lining then is of a delicate cream color resembling embossed antique lace. Beautiful card baskets, bonnets fans etc. can be mede tream it. In the North thus be made from it. In the North this variety requires to be started in a hot-bed. Packet, 10 cents.

> This new variety grows to a most remarkable size, often from 15 to 20 inches in cir-cumference, and weighing from 2 to 4 lbs. The flesh is snow white, of a particularly mild and pleas-

MAMMOTH SILVER KING ONION.



POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.

FUNELLO FIDULITIO FOLL DLAN. This wonderful new variety, [first introduced by me,] originated in North Carolina—a few seeds were kindly sent me for trial by Prof. R. S. POWELL, who writes:—"They are an extraordinary snap bean sur-passing anything ever seen in our section—bearing profusely, and continuing until frost: they are very tender and palatable—six hills enough for a family." I have found this bean a most rampant grower, one plant filling a pole with a mass of vines—densely todated with luscious beans. I do not claim too much when I say they are fully TWICE AS PRODUCTIVE as any other variety in existence. They are a sight worth seeing; almost a solid mass of pods from the bottom to top of the pode. The handsome green pods average 8 or 9 beans to the pod, grow very uniform, about 6 inches long; perfectly stringless, very thick meated, tender, rich and buttery; possess an exquis-ite flavor when cooked—many calling it without ex-ception the very best bean grown. It is a late variety and continues in bearing so long it might well be called "everbearing." I only offer it in packets. PKt. 10 ets. 3 for 25 ots. 7 for 50 ets. 15 for \$1.00.

S. E. GWINN, Mt. Ida. Fayette Co. W. Va. writes: From 6 VINES of the Prolific Beans I sold 3 bushels -a family of 9 eat from them liberally, and there is still a bushel on the vines. I never saw anything to still a bushel on the vines. All your seeds done well. compare with them.

AMY THOMPSON, Pine Grove, Ohio, Oct. 23d. tes:-I raised 1800 Powell's Prolific beans on ONE VINE; which was the greatest yield I ever saw.

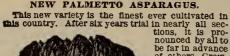
Mrs. C. E. LISSFORD, Kinards, S. C. writes:from five vines we ate beans all the summer, and then gathered over one-half gallon of seed. They were the admiration of the neighborhood; I have

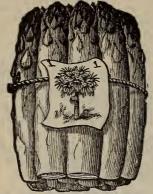
picked a full mess of beans for dinner, without chang-In position at the vine. Our summer was dry,—but the vines continued green and bearing, while all other kinds of beans dried up, they are the best bean I ever saw grow, and I cannot command words to ex-press the true value of such a garden treasure.



POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN

EVERYTHING OFFERED IN THIS CATALOG DELIVERED PREPAID AT PRICES GIVEN. Æ READ PAGES 2 AND 12.



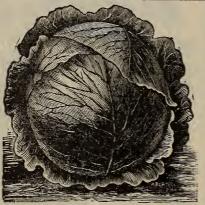


of others. Grow-ing side by side with Conover's Colossal, under exactly the same treatment, the Palmetto proves to be at least a week earlier, the stalks are heavithicker, and of finer flavor. It is remark a bly tender, rich and buttery when cooked, and very free from any tough or woody fiber. Every fam-ily should have a supply of this healthfuland de-

acious vegetable, and I am sure all would, if it were

thrown how easily and quickly it can be grown. Bown how easily and quickly it can be grown. Bown how easily and quickly it can be grown. Isoma and the second second second second second second rapparagues at TWO YEARS of age, than other varie-ties at five. Cultural directions on every packet. Large pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

TRULY A GIANT ASPARAGUS.—A bunch of the Palmetto Asparagus grown by Robert Nichols, a Philadelpnia gardener, beats anything of the sort ever heard of. The bunch, composed of about fifty shoots, weighed 31 pounds. It was a growth of only three days. — ED. AMERICAN GARDEN.



NEW AUTUMN KING CABBAGE. (OR WORLD BEATER.)

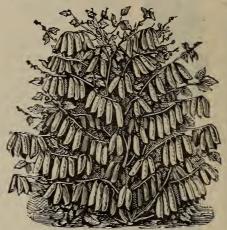
This peerless variety, I say without hesitation is one of the finest in this country to-day-entirely dis-tinct and the best keeper. It produces enormous, solid heads and has such small outer leaves that it Solid heads and has such small outer leaves that it can be relied upon to produce a greater weight of crop per acre than any other variety—it all goes to head. Its peculiarly handsome, crimped leaves en-ables it to be distinguished anywhere. It is one of the grandest of winter varieties, and is decidedly the best MAMMOTH CABBAGE in existance. All seed grown from headquarters stock and VERY CAREFULLY SELECTED from extra solid heads, pure and true.

pure and true.

(Remember cheap cabhage seed is always dear.) Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.

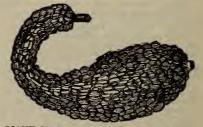


STRAWBERRY TOMATO.- I am headquarters for the true Strawberry Tomato, [Golden Husk, or Ground Cherry,] seed. This distinct husk tomato, the state of the true strawberry Tomato, [Golden Husk, or Ground Cherry,] seed. This distinct husk tomato, the state of the true strawberry Tomato, [Golden Husk, or Figs, or to use in fruit cake, they are unexcelled for canning, preserving, and pies. Dried in sugar, as Raisins, or Figs, or to use in fruit cake, they are unexcelled. They are a handsome golden color,-the size of large color,-the size of large color,-the size of large they have a strawberry fla-vor, and many esteem them full equal to that fruit to eat out of hand. This tomato is indispensible where truit is scarce of likely to fall. Directions for planting-preserving, etc. on each packet. Selected seed, Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.



JACKSON WONDER BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Here is "something new under the sun." A won-der indeed. The seeds have been sold for \$1.00 per dozen. It is a combination snap and Lima (or but-ter) bean, grows about two feet high, and is im-mensely productive—I quarts having been grown from 25 seeds. When the pods are young they make excellent snap beans, and later are shelled and used same as other limas. Their flavor is very rich and delicious. They are early, and continue in bearing until frost. None but favorable reports have been received. Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK SQUASH.

This new strain is even earlier than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size-from 18 inches to two feet long, and of finest quality. They command an extra price of finest quality. They command an extra price in all markets. One grower reports \$125.00 worth sold from one-fourth an acre. Packet 5 cts.



DESIRABLE NOVELTIES, AND SPECIALTIES.

NEW BANANA MUSK-MELON.

This new variety originated with one of our best growers in South Jersey, and is pronounced by him the most profitable variety he has ever grown. He realized an average of forty cents each for his entire crop, as they were eagerly sought after in the l'hiladelphia markets, on account of their great oddity of shape and appearance. They grow from 20 inches to 2 feet long, are very productive, with deep yellow flesh, by many preferred to any other variety, and a great curiosity. Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

C, Parmelee, Homer, N. Y. writes:-I always send to you for seeds because they are reliable. I have got up several clubs. The "Cinnamon Vine is a thing of beau-W. H. Brunsdon, Peru, Neb. writes:-This is 9 years I have sent to you for seeds and always had good luck.

enjoy them in Summer, dry them for win-ter and you will thank yourself for doing it. Plant the Everlasting Flowers

EARLY WINNIGSTADT.

A well known and very popular variety, heads large, decidedly conical, remarkably solid and hard, even in summer. This is a sure header, a good shipper, and suffers less from the cabbage worm than any other sort, valuable for both summer or winter use. Market gardeners and all others desiring a choice strain of this desirable cabbage should try my select-ed seed. Pkt. 5 cts.

New Red Bird Tomato.

This new varity has never been has introduced. It is one of the earliest and most productive ever seen. It is of good size for such an extreme early varie-ety. It sets freely, 3 to 6 to a bunch, handsom e, uniform bright red

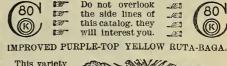
fruits, of very pleas-ant flavor. It is a very vigorous and strong

SEF FINS WY PERSON AND RED BIRD TOMATO

vigorous and strong grower, fruit about 3 inches in diameter, smooth as an apple, and of very superior quality. Its pro-ductiveness is really wonderful; this with its extra-ordinary earliness will make it a joy to the grow-ers heart. I am proud to introduce a tomato of so great value. Every home and market gardener should plant it. Packet 10 cents.

Geo, B. More, Grand Gorge, N. Y. writes:--I sold over \$100.00 worth from my expenditure of \$2.65 with you last year. Your seeds are the best I can procure.

Mrs. H. A. Warner, Buena Vista, Wis, writes:-Your s_{e} de are the VERY BEST we ever tried, and your packets a^{rc} the fullest. We thank you very much and will do all we can to a tvertise your seeds.



PLANT THOROUGHBRED Potatoes this year and sell your surplus to your papers for seed and sell your surplus to your nabors for seed; there will be a BIG demand for it. See last page.

This variety cannot be too highly recommended and no sort will produce such handsomely-formed roots, or greater yield. It is extra finequality very solid, of a beautiful or-

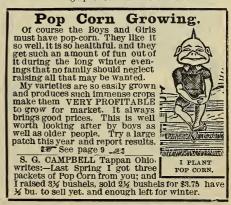


ange color, with a handsome purple top; it is the re-sult of many years of careful selection. Pkt. 5 cts.

SUNFLOWERS,-GIANT VARIETIES.

carefully mixed. ALL REAL PRIZETAKERS. Heads measure from 12 to 22 inches in diameter, loaded with seed which is excellent food which is excenent room for horses, a small quantity fed daily, keeping them sleek, glossy and fat. It is the VERY BEST EGG-PRODUCING FOOD





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TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO PUMPKIN. Of medium size, pear



JAPANESE CLIMBING CUCUMBER.

The vines of this new cucumber are extra strong and vigorous, and great climbersproducing a sur-prising amount of fruit on fences, trellises, etc., thus trainses, etc., thus saving valuable space. They are large size, nice green color, and fine for pickling and slicing. Vines and fruit being elevated do not suffer from wet weather and in-sects. I am sure sects. I am sure all will be pleased with it. Pkt, 10c.



fesh thick, creamy white, fine grained, dry, and of most excel-lent flavor. Hardy, productive, a good keeper. A superior variety for pies, and cooking. Pkt. 5 cts.

MY LIST of Vegetable and Flower Seeds contains the cream of everything worth planting.



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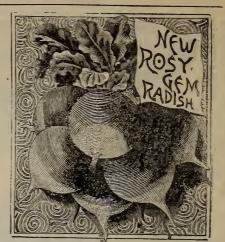
PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. Wide and 15 inches apart in the row, one bean in the null. Do not crowd them. 4 quarts will plant one CTCP. They are of fine flavor. PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. ACTO. They are ot fine flavor. Packet. 10 cents.

New White Wonder Cucumber.

This magnificent new varlety is of most deli-nous flavor. The cucumbers are thickly set throughout the length of the vine and are uniform in color, shape and size; they average about



eight inches long by two to two and a half inches through the skin is thin, while the pearly-white flesh is exquisitely fine in quality, quite brittle, and remains solid for a long time. The color is al-ways ivory-white. Of unusual hardiness, and a sure cropper. It gives great satisfaction. Pkt. 10c. "From 5 Hills of your White Wonder Cucumber I have picked off 350 besides some given away." K. Hayward. Campello, Mass.



ROSY GEM RADISH. This new Radish has ROSY GEM RADISH. This new Radian nas won golden opinions in all sections of the country. The illustration is perfect from nature, and will give some idea of their great beauty. It is absolutely the earliest radish in cultivation: their shape is perfec ly globular, with rich deep scarlet top: equally desirable for either the market or home garden, and should be planted by everybody. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



Sushould surely order a liberal num-ber of the Cinnamon Vines. They are very easily grown, and once planted will last a lifetime. Your arbor, window and veranda will all be incomplete without this charming climber. There is nothing will give a home a more homelike and cosy appearance, or be a surer index of refinement and culture than Beautiful Vines twining about the porch and trel-lises. The See page 21 for prices.

PEPPER. Golden Dawn Mango. The earliest sweetest, handsomest and most productive pepper grown: entirely free from fiery flavor. For beauty of growth this pepper is worthy of a place in the flower garden: my plants averaged 15 full-grown mangoes each. Pkt. 5 cts.



EMERALD GEM MUSKMELON.

This variety This variety possesses many fine qualities. It is prolific. The flesh is salmon color, very thick, of a rich delicious flavor. It is pro-nounced one of the sweet-est, as well as the earliest small musk melons grown. Pkt 5 cts. possesses



TH JROUGHBRED POTATO Without doubt the crowning triumph in potato culture, and the greatest Mon-ey Maker of them all. Do not delay in getting a start in this great potato. Plant them this year. You surely can-not afford to grow old run-out varieties that produce but half a crop, or less. Ev-ery dollar invested in the Thoroughbred is sure to make a blg peture. is sure to make a big return.



Selected Flower Seeds some of my specialties, and my trade in them,—al-ways large,—is rapidly increasing. My customers can rely upon getting those of the very best quality and finest strains. I warrant my FLOWER SEEDS as fully as I do my Vegetable Seeds, and I guarantee all to be fresh, true to name, and of good vitality. IF Be Sure and read my great offer—"Im-perial Giant Pansy Collection"—on page 13.

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DESIRABLE NOVELTIES AND SPECIALTIES.



The New Short-Stem Drumhead combines, to a wonderful degree, all desirable requisites. It has a very short stem and grows very compactly. The heads are EXTRA HARD, SOLID, round, flattened on the top; they grow very uniform in size and shape, and present the handsome appearance so well depicted in the above illustration. The heads frequently attain twenty or thirty pounds in weight, and are always of the finest quality. For reliability of heading, this variety is, from long-continued selection, also remarkable. From each 100 plants set out, at least 98 large solid heads may confidently be expected. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 25c.



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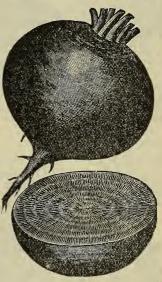
My prices this season are MUCH LOWER than ever before.

There is money in clubs.

SPECIAL TO CABBAGE GROWERS. ALL of my cabbage seed is grown from Extra Selected, Solid, Perfect from Extra Selected, Solid, Perfect Heads, pure and true. This seed act-ually costs THREE TIMES as much to grow as that I could buy in the o-den market, but I am a practical Gar-dener myself and know the import-ance of HIGH GRADE seeds of all kinds -especially of cabbage, and Iin-tend to offer nothing but the best that can be produced can be produced.

Extra Early Beet.

After a careful trial for several seasons, I am pleased to offer this new variety as one of almost inestimable value. How many of my Market Gar-dening friends believe that there is dening friends believe that there is anywhere in existence, a nice, smooth side will produce roots of suitable size for market TEN DAYS in advance of the old early sorts. Well triends this vas increditous until I planted the seeds side by side; watching the growth almost daily, and saw a finely formed nost develop on every plant of this met variety. fully ten days before other this year at one-half former of Extra Early lieet; pkt. 10c: 3 for 25.



VARIEGATED POP CORN. (Cut one-half natural size.) Never before has such an attractive Pop Corn been offered as this superb variety, introduced by me. Indeed the ears are so handsome they are often used for parlor ornaments.

dect the ears are ductive, (3 to 6 ears on a stalk,) a splendid pop-per, bursting out very large, white as snow; tender, and delicious. The ears are of good size and beautifully variegated. red, white, and blue colors



blended. It is without question the handsomest Pop Corn ever seen and will be sure to secure prizes at your Fair. Boys and Girls, as well as older ones, can get a nice income growing this corn for market as it sells at fancy prices. Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts. pint, 30 cts.

ICE PLANT. (MESEMBRYANTHEMUM.)



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A handsome and very curious plant, for hanging kets, rock-work, vases, bas and kets, rock-work, vases, and for house plants; also fine for beds, edgings, etc. The leaves and stems appear as though covered with icy crys-tals that look peculiarly bril-liant and glistening in the sunlight. It is a plant that is always admired. The flow-ers are white. Pkt.5 cts. Pkt. 5 cts. ers are white.

Cut shows the attrac-tive appearance of Ice Plant in Pot Culture.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD ONION. time honored variety. Immense crops are annually grown for shipment. It is everywhere a large



yielder of fine, handsome, large onions, that find a ready sale in all markets. My seed is unsurgass -ed, and is grown from best selec-ted bulbs.

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lions and unsalable rubbish.

New Colden Honey Watermeion.

A novelty of extraordinary merit, without doub the best watermelon ever placed before the Ameri without doubt

can public. It is a very early melon. The can public. flesh is of a deep rich golden color, and in delicious sweetness, and exquisite quality reminds one of honey. In a crop of 20 acres grown especially for seed every melon was ulcy, melting and de-Hicious It is of large



size enormously pro-fuctive, fiesh firm, solid and luscious beyond de-soription. Many who fail in growing other melons Pkt. 20c. 3 for 50 cts. can succeed with this.

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From C. L. Newcomb, Bridgeton, Md. I was surprised and delighted at the large quantity of seeds, and they came the quickest of anything I ever ordered from same distance in my life.

From Seward Beard, Economy, Ind. We have used thy seeds for three or four years and will say that we never dealt with any seedsman that sent out such good seed, so neatly packed, and in such liberal quantity.



with pods as to bend its branches down. It is th best of all for pepper sauce. Pkt. 10 cts., 3 for 25 c. It is the

Cook's **Perfection**" Parsnip. :0:

Rightly named, and without doubt the fin-est strain of Parsnip that can be produced. It is a wonderful im-provement on the old sorts, and no one de-shing the best should fail to grow it. The roots are very smooth and bandsome:

smooth and handsome; tender, sugary, fine-grained and of most ex-cellent quality. Cuscellent quality. tomers are unaminous in praising it. This is truly a delic-

lous vegetable, and all who do not like the old poorer sorts are recom-mended to try this. It produces enormous

to produces enormous crops; and the short, thick roots are easily gathered. It is without question the best for home use, market, or

Large packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 1b. 75 cts.



POP CORN.—Cook's Improved Egyptian. I have been improving this corn, for many years, and now offer a strain of seed that cannot be surpassed. Every one who keeps poultry. should raise a supply for feeding chickens, nothing can be better. I send out only EXTRA SELECTED seed.



MARKET GARDENER'S BEET

Undoubtedly one of the best novelties ever offered, and it receives much praise from my customers. Its shape is well shown by the accompanying engrav-ing. It is very symmetrical with small tap root and unusually small tops. One sowing only is necessary to produce early beets for market and main crop for winter use, which is not the case with any other vawinter use, which is not the case with any other va-rlety. By the first of October they measure six inch-es in diameter and average four pounds in weight. Color deep blood red; me grained and unsurpassed in quality. Summing it all up, we find it a good beet for early market, and the best beet for winter use. Owing to the small tops, and the peculiar shape of the bub it is one of the most profitable beets for the market gardener, and family garden. Pkt. 5 cts.



HENDERSON'S NEW BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Think of raising Limas without poles! They grow 18 inches high, in a compact bush form, and produce enormous crops of delicious Lima Beans; (a single plant has produced 270 pods.) The beans are the size of the Sleva or small Lima, and of delicious quality. It is two weeks earlier than the common Lima. Pkt. 10c. 3 for 25 cents.



IGNOTUM TOMATO.

All should plant the new Ignotum Tomato. A "priceless paragon" in the Tomato line; the ealliest, most solid and valuable large Tomato ever intro-duced. It will wipe out fifty old sorts at a sweep. Why grow a poor sort when you can have such a va-rlety as this? My stock seed came from Fountain-head, (Cornell Agricultural College.) Seeds are few in the fruits and necessarily arrowsize. Pkt 10cts in the fruits, and necessarily expensive. Pkt, 10 cts.



LARGE SUGAR PARSNIP:-- Roots long, white, smooth, tender, sugary, and of excellent flavor. Parsnips are improved by remaining in the ground Parsnips are trost during winter. Pkt. 5 c.

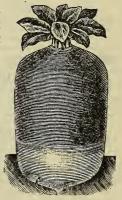
EXTRA EARLY PURPLE TOP MILAN TURNIP

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The earliest in cultiest in It is vation. It is fully one week earlier than any other sort and of supe rior quality, The bulb is flat, medium size, smooth, with a bright purple top; leaves few. The pure white flesh is of the choiest quality, hard, solid, and fine grain ed. A good keeper. Pkt. 10 cts.

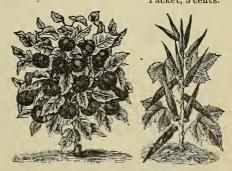
GOLDEN TANKARD MANGEL-WURTZEL BEET.

This is decidedly the inest mangel in culti-vation; the flesh rich golden yellow, exceed-ingly nutritious. It is early, hardy, and a very heavy cropper. The Golden Tankard has quickly taken the lead of other varieties. It contains a large perof other varieties. it contains a large per-centage of sugar and is much relished by milch cows and sheep. It is one of the best of keepers. Farmers should give root crops more attention. The more attention. The wonderful results are plainly seen in the health and condition of the animals, and in the increased yield of milk and buted yield of mink and out ter in cows. Six pounds of seed will plant 1 acre, and the yield should be from 1500 to 2.000 bushels. Packet 5 cents ; lb. 40 cents.



WHITE VELVET OKRA.

Why not try Okra this year ? You will like it, especially if you try this splendid new variety. It is very early, distinct, and of attractive white velvet appearance. Of superior fiavor and ten-derness. The young pods are nice for soups, stews, etc., and also much liked when pickled. The pods are extra large, and very abundant. Packet 5 cents Packet, 5 cents.



NEW TREE TOMATO.

WHITE VELVET OKRA I think this more nearly resembles a "tree" than any other. It stands up like a tree, bears abundantly, fruit medium size, smooth, bright red color, and fine flavor. A valuable and curi-ous acquisition—very ornamental and useful. Packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

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New Banana,	5	$\frac{20}{25}$	70	20 THOR'B'D POTATOES, \$1 00
Miller Cream,	10	25	75	PLANT FOOD. Large Box, 50 " " Small Box, 25
Winter Pineapple, New,	10	35	1 00	Silian Dox, 25
Shumway's New Giant,	10	25	75	Flower Seeds.
WATER-MELON.	~		~ ~	THIS LIST is the cream of the flower world, em-
Early Peerless,	55	15	55	bracing the finest varieties in cultivation, and most-
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Seminole,	10	25	75	dow Gardening" free with each 25c. order or more.
New Golden Honey,	20	65		ASTERS. Finest Double Mixed. 30 varieties, 10
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GIRLS and BOYS LOOK HERE. (Older ones may look also;) you can earn lots of spending money canvassing for packet seeds. Take orders among your friends and under the difference between the Retail and Clubbing price. Read pages 2 and 12 carefully.



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This new and beautiful variety, varies in size from a pigeon's egg



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This grand old favorite now greatly improved is without doubt best for main-crop. For table use, for market or for canning it is more used than any other. Of excellent quality, tender and sugary; a vigorous grower, and immense yielder—often having 2 to 4 large ears on a stalk. 195 bushels of ears have been grown on a single acre. Every one who plants for profit or home use should grow it. Packet 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cents.



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This is quite distinct from the ordinary pre-serving citron, the from the ordinary pre-serving citron, the seeds being of a light green color. It is im-mensely productive; one vine produced 25 fine melons, weighing from 10 to 30 pounds each. The flesh is very firm and solid with few firm and solid, with few seeds, and makes beau-tiful, clear, transparent preserves of surpas-singly fine flavor.

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COULD YOU not induce 1 or 2 of your nabors to send with you for seeds? By taking advantage of my discounts it will pay you well for every hour spent, and I will be grateful for your kindness.



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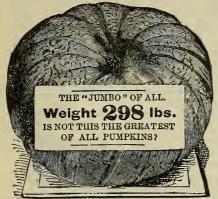
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AND STORING CELERY FOR WINTER.

A concise treaties plainly telling the best methods of managing this important veg-etable—sent free (if requested) to all who order two or more packets of Celery seed.

The Great Prize Pumpkin. KING OF THE MAMMOTHS.

This grand, colossal variety is without a rival, as-tonishing everybody by its mammoth size and heavy weight. Indeed no other pumpkin has ever attained such enormous weights, or been awarded as many prizes. Think of it a single pumpkin weighing 298 los. (See Cut.) Is not this the greatest of all pump-kins? In France they have been grown to still great-er size, and as many of my customers have as good. rich soil-as highly productive, as any there is in



France or anywhere else on the face of the earth, France or anywhere else on the face of the earth, 1 see no reason why they cannot be grown much lar-ger here. The flesh and skin of this monstrous punpkin is a bright golden color, very fine grained, and of excellent quality; notwithstanding fits enor-mous size, it is one of the best pie or table pumpkins ever grown, and is a splendid keeper. I hope all en-ter prising pumpkin growers will give this variety a trial. You will be sure of a prize at your County fair. Full directions on every packet, giving best methods of planting etc. to secure the largest spec-imens. Seed saved from EXTRA LARGE pumpkins, Packet, 10 ets. 3 for 50 cents. Packet, 10 cts, 3 for 25 cts., 7 for 50 cents.

WHITE STRASBURG RADISH.

Suitable alike for private and market gardens. It is of a tapering shape, skin and flesh both pure white. It is an ex-cellent summer va-riety, being tender, crisp, and of fine fla-vor, and a quick grower. It posgrower. It pos-sesses the most de-sirable character of retaining its crisp-

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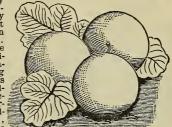
THIS IS A SUPERB COLLEC-THIS IS A SUPERB COLLEC-TION of mixed flower seeds;-over 300 varieties in one large packet. I am putting up a larger variety than ever before. which adds greatly to their value. If carefully sown and cared for will produce on catonic blue variety produce an astonishing variety of flowers. No one who has not seen such a bed can form an idea of its dazzling brilliancy or great beauty, the different seasons of bloom, showing something new every day. Pkt. 15 cents; 2 for every day. Pkt. 12 25 cts. 10 for \$1.00.

This variety is entirely distinct; it is very dwarf in habit, and can be plant-ed as close as three feet. It has proven itself remar-kably early: ripening its large fruit as early as July lat, it is an immense erop-or Drive 5 ets por plf

VEGETABLE PEACH OR MANGO MELON.

I am proud to have been the introducer of this very popular and desirable little fruit that I first gave to the public in 1887. They are now cataloged, and highly

recommend ed by every prominent seedsman in the land. They are the most beauti-ful of vegetables growing on vines same as melons, and re-sembling oranges in color, shape, and size. The



flesh is snow-white, makes handsome and delicious preserves and sweet pickles; excellent fried, and for mangoes they have no equal. Extremely early, or mangoes they have no equal. Extremely early, of the easiest culture, and a wonderful yielder, cov-ering the ground with its golden fruit calling forth words of astonishment and admiration Try it and I know you will be pleased with the result. Direc-tions for growing,- use of fruit, etc. on each packet. Packet, 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts.

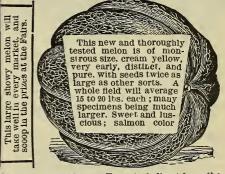
WHITE PLUME. CELERY.

This is one of the best of the so called Self Blanching varieties, as it needs but little banking up. Its eating qual-ities are equal to the best of the older sorts, being crisp, solid, and of a pleasing nutty flavor, while its white featherlike foliage places it ahead of all others as a table ornament. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

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SHUMWAYS GIANT MUSKMELON.



flesh of pleasant flavor. True stock direct from the introducer. Packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents. introducer.

PREMIUM GEM PEAS.

A very fine Extra Early varie ty, pods large, long, well filled, and extremely productive; qual-ity delicious. The best, and most profitable early wrinkled pea for Market Gardeners, and for family use has no superior. Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

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The Winter Pineapple differs from other musk mel-ons, in shape and appearance of the fruit and its wonderful keeping qualities. The melons weigh from 9 to 11 lbs. each. It is a most valuable novely. It is a most valuable novelty. These splendid melons do not ri-pen on the vines



like other muskmelons, but have to be picked in a green state. be-fore frost; lain away in a cool, d y place where they will keep sound and sweet for several hs. When months. When wanted for use bring them in a warm room where they will ripen in a few

ripen in a few days and be read-days and be read-the state of the second second second ring; a light green color and has the most delightful favor imaginable, being rich, spicy and delicious, with an agreeable pineapple taste. The artist, (Mr. Blanc, of Philadelphia.) who has made engrarings of, and tasted nearly all the new melons introduced in the past ten years, says: "Winter Pineapple, is decidedly the finest flavored muskmelon I have ever tasted.". Large pkt. 10 c., 3 for 25 c., 7 for 50 c.

The Chinese Tea Plant.

I have seed of the genuine Chinese Tea Plant grown on American soil. This plant can easily be



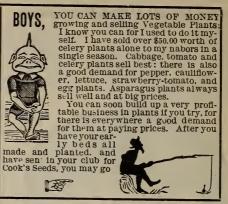
grown in this country and, is hardy south of forty degrees north latid e g north latitude. There is no reason why my cus-tomers should not their raise own tea. A few seed raised of this valuable plant would soon make trees that would fur

nish all the tea a family would want, and equally as good as the best tea of commerce. In the north this plant may be grown in pots or tubs, as a curiosity. I have only a limited supply to offer. Each seed is as large as a small chestnut. Pkt, of 5 seeds, 10 cts. 3 pkts. 25 cts.



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SWEET PEAS.

This is a gilt-edge mixture, containing all of Eckford's Finest Hybrids and many other choice varieties. My strain of seed won first prize at Chicag, Worlds Fair.

They are a very beau-tifulfree flowering, high-ly ornamental plant, easy of cultivation, and fourishing in any good soil; will continue blooming till destroyed by frost. The great pop-ularity of this flower has led me to take great led me to take great pains in making this col-lection. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for great 3 for 25c. 1/1b. 35c. 1b. \$1.00.



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FREE CIFTS A useful Book on Win-dow Gardening, and the care of plants and flow-ers-how to make them bloom---given free with every order for 25 cts. or more of FLOWER seeds. Extras also added free.

This new sort This new solt is proving of great value. Very hardy, an evergreen to a remarkable de-gree at d hears gree, at d bears prodigiously until frost. A very strong grower, extra early, and of early, and of the best flavor, firm and crisp; unexcelled for pickling or sli-cing. It is a fa-vorite with all growers growers. Per pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



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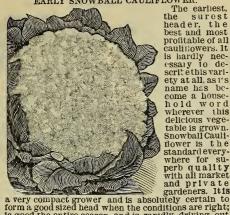
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is good the entire season, and is rapidly driving out the later sorts for fall use, Cauliflowers are easily raised and every family should grow a supply. Is may seed is American grown and very choice. Pkt, 15 cts. 2 for 25 cts, 5 for 50 cts.



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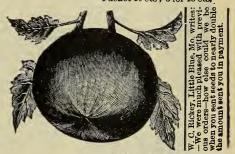


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This is certainly the best main crop carrot, of deep orange color, large size -often 3 inches in diameter and 10 or 12 inches long, very regular and smooth, and the most uniform of all. For private growers and truckers it is ideal, being of the highest quality -and for stock feeding it is of the greatest value its yielding capacity being perfectly enormous. Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts,



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One of the very best tomatces ever introduced. Is is solid, very smooth, free from ridges, large in size, ripens up early, and is by far the most beautiful yel-low variety ever sent out. None is better for preserv-ing or slicing, the handsome, golden yellow slices make a beautiful contrast in a dish with red toma-toes. It has very little acid. Packet 5 cts.



CALIFORNIA CREAM BUTTER LETTUR This new variety forms a large, round, solid head; outside green, and within a rich cream yellow. It is particularly sweet and buttery to the taste and re-mains for weeks of the finest quality. A great im-provement over most others. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 ets.

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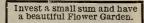
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CHRISTMAS WATERMELON. A valuable new and distinct variety which has attained great prominence on account of its wonderful keeping and hipping qualities, it being not uncommon to have them in good condition two or three months after be-ing harvested. Hundreds of customers state they keep until Christmas in perfect condition. The flesh is of a beautiful rich scarlet, very solid, and of deli-clous sugary flavor. The vines are hardy and vigorous and very productive. Its uniform size and handsome, tresh appearance make it one of the most salable of watermelons. Price per pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.

MAMMOTH SALSIFY, OR OYSTER PLANT.

A vegetable that is sure to called for where it is once in be introduced. It is a good substitute for oysters, having a very similar fla-yor; it is very wholesome and nutritious. The roots are either boiled or mashed, and made into fritters, in mashed, and made into fritters, in which form they are delicious. For an oyster stew; cut the roots into small pieces, cook until tender, then add the other ingredients same as for oysters. The roots are perfectly hardy: may remain in the ground all winter. No garden should be with-out this splendid vegetable. Pkt 5c.



EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD CABBAGE.



This is preem-inently the best extra early cabbage in the world. It is of large size for so early a kind, and is well de-serving its pop-ularity. It heads up re-markably head markably hard and solid; can can be planted close and is very de-sirable for early market. Pkt. 5 cts.

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All of my cabbage seed is very choice, being raised from the best hard heads, carefully selected. Gardeners! plant them this year and you will agree with the verdict that "they are the best in the world."

IF PLANTERS everywhere knew the great excel-lence of my Short Stem Drumhead Cabbage, my large supply of seed would not meet the demand

Dr. J. M. Ashley, of Tex writes, O goodness! what cab-bare I did make from your Short Stem Drumhead; all that saw them were almost thunderstruck.

B. G. Kimball, Brookfield, Mass. writes:-The Variega ted Pop Corn is the best we ever had, so very sweet and tender. Your seeds are extra good; will get some orders.

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GIANT PANSIES, FIFTY COLORS, SHADES AND MARKINGS.

Pansies are universal and most popular of all flowers. Every yard must have its Pansy Bed. They bloom very a ly. and will continto produce bright ossums the entire blossoms the

bloss ins the entire season, making a won-drous display. " The Pansy has long been a specialty with me, and I have devoted much time and trouble getting seed of the lar-gest and most perfect blooms in all the ir matchless forms and various types, colors and markings. My un-rivalled mixture, conrivalled mixture, con-

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commend them to every genuine lover of flowers. No one should fail to plant a packet. Price 20 cts., 3 for 50 cts., 7 for \$1.00.

Hybridized Potato Seed.



Hybridized Potato Seed. I have the pleasure of of-fering a very choice strain of Potato Seed—the product for numerous hybridizations between many of the best new and old varleties in cultivation. Growing new sorts from the seed-ball seed is a very interesting em-ployment for old or young. There is the widest range of difference in color, shape and general characteristics between the different seedlings; every one is more or less unlike every other. Great success has already attended the ar-tempt to improve this valuable esculent, and the end is not yet—many varieties will yet be found which will bring a golden harvest to the fortuaate growers, and prove of inestimable value to the world. Directions for planting, cultivating etc. on each pkt. Price, 10 Cts. per Pkt. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 5 ucts. From E. A. Goodspeed. Shamrock. N. Y. Aug. Sist.

From E. A. Goodspeed, Shamrock, N. Y. Aug. 31st. 1896. I have got a grand seedling potato from your seed, and have raised 400 bushels. A prominent seedsman wants to introduce them and is irying to buy me out. I have six more seedlings that are more than good.

From Jesse Green, Ill. I have one of your seed-lings that is from one to two weeks ahead of Early Ohio, Early Rose, or Beauty of Hebron, and were ful-ly ripe. July 12th (others still green.) They are very productive and the best eating potato I have.

WM. M. JOHNSON, of Tampico, Ind. writes:-"The packet of Potato-seed you sent me done well. Some look like the peach-blow, -some are a beauti-ful pale pink, large and long for a seedling the first year, they are a beauty. Some large white, purple eyes:-some round, pale red, 30 to 50 in a hill:-some pale blue:-some white, flat, and three inches or more long;-two hills of black potatoes, &c. &c. I ner-or sow some and there the bares er saw so many different colors and shapes.

Extra Long Green Giant Cucumber.

A veritable giant among Cucumbers, and merits the highest praise. Enormously large and hand-some, many specimens growing from 20 to 30 inches or more in length. It is a very strong grower, fruit



straight, smooth. uniform and produced in great abundance. It has few seeds, quality excellent, crisp and tender. A very fine pickling variety, and unexcelled for slicing. Every one should grow this remarkable novelty. No variety will equal it for ex-hibition. It will be a wonder to yourself and all be-holders. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

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One of our showlest and most popular an-nuals, forming compact plants, not over one foot high, making gorgeous masses of color from early summer until killearly summer until kin-ed by frost. Succeed-ing under all weathers and conditions; splen-did for vases and hang-ing baskers, and unsuring baskers, and unsur-passed for garden dec-oration. This is a su-perb collection-flow-ers of great brilliancy and richness. I offer a range of colors that will be pure to ploce me be sure to please my patrons.

Very choice, pkt., 10 c.

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BE SURE and read my great watch offer on next page. This is the best of

page. This is the best of all my good bargains. You can very easily obtain one free if you try. I sent out over 500 of the watches last season, and people are just de-lighted with them. The girls beat the boys last year and sent the most clubs. I think the boys ought to beat this year

ought to beat this year. It is a prize well worth working for. IF Please Show this to your friends who want a watch as this offer is for everybody.



READ THIS TESTIMONIAL. Mrs. E. E. Stedman, Washington Co. R. I. Writes;-Isaw your offer of a watch, and took your catalog at once and started out, and in a very short time I got up the club; and as I had done so well I thought I would try and sell some more seeds and earn some money, and I mail you the result of my labor, (\$10.83 -besides my liberal cash commission, and the watch. It only took about 6 hours to ob-tain both clubs.) This is the first time I have tried club raising, and I have enjoyed it very much, and wish to thank you heartly for giving women and children such a chance to earn money so often needed for many things. CHUFAS, OR EAKTH ALMONDS.

CHUFAS, OR EARTH ALMONDS.

These very close-ly resemble in sweetness and richness of flavor a cocoanut or almond. They are much grown in the South to fatten swine, poul-try, etc. They succeed perfectly at the North: my plants yielding from three to six hundred fine chu-

fas each. They are a rich. and healthy food for poultry of all kinds. Directions for planting etc. on each packet. Pkt. 10 cts.

Report of New Hampshire Agricultural College, Nov23d 1896. Your Variezated Pop Corn yielded a heavy crop of mature ears of fair s.ze. As its name implies the kernals are of various colors giving it an attractive appearance.



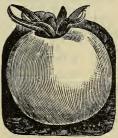
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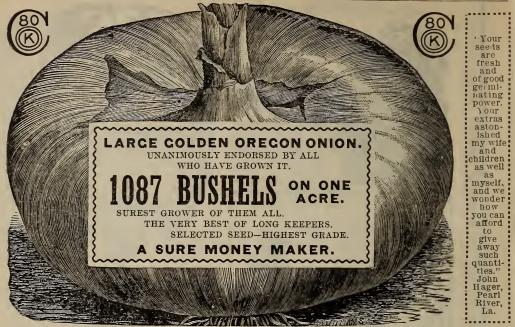




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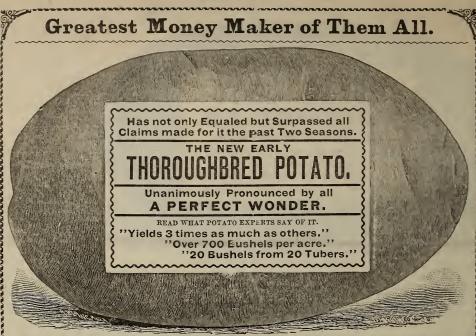
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A PERFECT POTATO. A PERFECT POTATO. With extra soil and cultivation it can readily be made to produce 500 bushels or more per acre. New varieties invariably yield the best, and mil-lions of dollars are annually lost by planting old, run-out sorts. I thank good fortune that I have such a valuable acquisition to offer, and every potato grower should be thankful to be able to obtain it on such favorable terms. Mr. Terry was offered \$10.60 a piece for single tubers, and every purchaser of my seed should make an enor-mous profit on the crop he grows, for every pota-to raised this season will be worth a big price. My seed is genuine-direct from Headquarters, and every tuber 1 offer is of my own growing--PURE and TRUE. Beware of spurious seed as much of it will be offered by unscrupulous par-ties. If you want the greatest cropper, the har-diest, and absolutely the surest money-maker, then you want this greatest of all potatoes--THE EARLY THOROUGHBRED. Price of PO_AATO EYES

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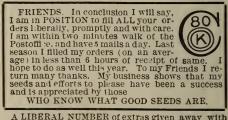
W. E. Thompson, of Mo. Sept. 1896. writes:-We dug 119 lbs. of Early Thorough red-all grown from one pound planted; one weighed 29 ounces.

Harry C. Hanmond, of Mich. the largest grower of seed potatoes in the world says. "The new Thoroughbred will certainly MAKE MORE MONEY for those who handle it than any other variety."

than any other variety." From the "Practical Farmer." written by H. F. Smith, the noted p-tato grower. I planted the new Thorough-herds as a test side by side with the best sorts I had-st clifferent varieties; and they yielded MORE THAN DOUB-LE all the rest, or at the rate of 733% bushels per arre. They had just the same care and cultivation given the whole field. I am sure they will make everywhere a won-deful record.

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