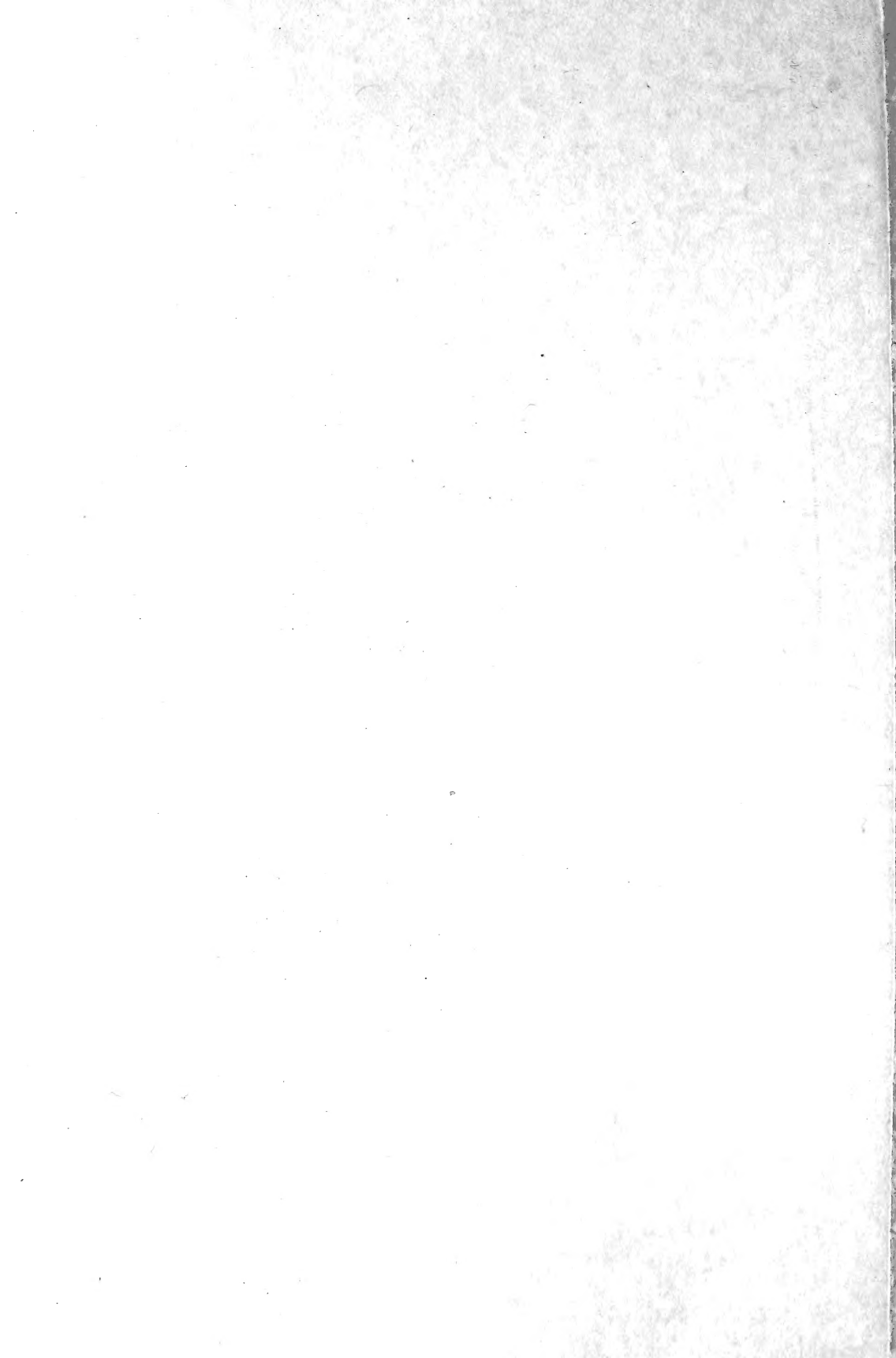


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Excelsior Strawberry.

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Everything in its Season

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Caleb Boggs and Son,  
Cheswold, Del.

# GREETING.

WE EXTEND to our readers and customers, old and new our most hearty greeting and good wishes.

IN AGAIN ASKING ATTENTION to our annual catalogue, we wish to thank our many friends for their continued liberal patronage. We have to offer for Spring and Summer of 1902, a large and fine stock of berry and vegetable plants. And with our improved facilities we are able to serve our patrons better than before.

## READ CAREFULLY BEFORE ORDERING.

**NAME AND ADDRESS.**—Write your name, postoffice, county and state as plainly as possible. Use our order sheet and envelope, which you find in this catalogue.

**CASH** is required with all orders, and remittance may be made by Post-office Money Order, Express Order, (which may be had now at any Express Office) Registered Letter, your Merchant's Check or Draft on New York. One and two cent stamps will be accepted for amounts less than \$1.00.

**BY FREIGHT.**—We ship plants, in large lots, many hundreds of miles, with entire success, by freight, giving the lowest rate and entire satisfaction to our customers. We recommend freight as the cheapest and best way of shipping plants, except in small lots, or late in the season.

**BY EXPRESS.**—We have special 20 per cent discount rates with the Adams Express and other companies. Our plants are put up as light as possible for express. We usually send by express when not otherwise ordered.

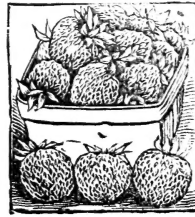
**BY MAIL.**—We ship plants in small lots to hundreds of our customers throughout the country by mail, with entire success.

**ERRORS.**—We very rarely have any complaints made on this line, as all possible precautions are taken to avoid their occurrence. Notify us at once if your order is not filled as it should be and we will promptly make the necessary corrections. Our customers may depend on getting full count of live plants.

**OUR SHIPPING SEASON** begins with our southern customers in February, and runs with the various kinds of plants till December. So there are only about two months in the year in which we do not ship plants.

**DISCOUNTS ON CASH ORDERS.**—In addition to whatever premium plants we may offer, we also make the following liberal discounts: On all orders for any plants offered in this catalogue, amounting to \$5, at our regular catalogue prices, a discount of 5 per cent will be allowed, on \$10 a discount of 10 per cent and on \$15 and over 15 per cent.

**CALEB BOGGS & SON, Cheswold, Del.**



## STRAWBERRY PLANTS.

Hope our friends do not expect us to give lengthy descriptions of the whole list of strawberry plants, in this small catalogue. Most everyone is now well acquainted with all the old and tried varieties and know about what they want.

**GLADSTONE.**—The originator says: "The Gladstone must command the attention of the small fruit growers of the world. As large as the Sharpless at its best, as early as the Michel's Early and not excelled in quality by any strawberry grown." It is highly praised by many horticulturists, who we think cannot afford to misrepresent it. It is a prolific grower at Cheswold. Has not fruited here yet.

**ROUGH RIDER.**—We believe this is a most promising late berry. The plants are large, healthy and vigorous, and we are very much pleased with its appearance and behavior here. No doubt that its many good qualities will place it in the front rank.

**EXCELSIOR.**—No one who wants a first class, very early berry can afford to leave this out of their strawberry list. Plants vigorous and healthy. Perfect blossom. Berries large, bright scarlet color.

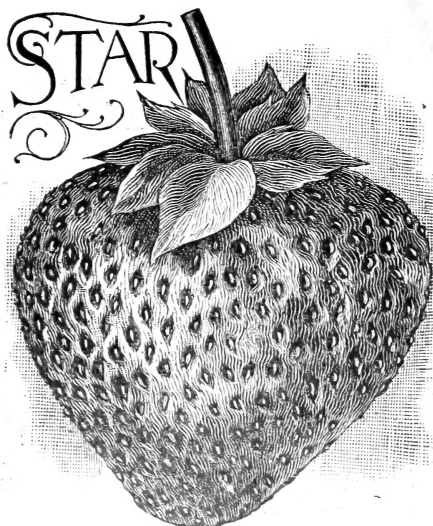
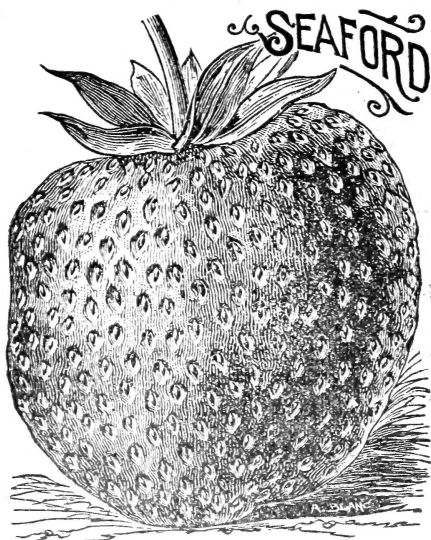
**WIL. BELT.**—This is a grand and popular variety. A vigorous, prolific and productive berry. Perfect blossom. Berries large, well colored and of fine flavor. Said to rust some in some sections. But it is all right here.

**PARSONS BEAUTY.**—Ripens with Lady Thompson. Has a perfect blossom. The berry is very symmetrical and handsome in appearance. Dark red, firm, and reminds one of the old Wilson Albany. The foliage is very rank, dark glossy green and entirely free from rust or disease of any kind. It is one of the heaviest croppers in our whole collection, and worthy of a trial by all berry growers.

**NICK OHMER.**—The plant is large and stocky, sending out plenty of strong runners, equal to any variety for vigorous and strong growth. Very productive. The fruit is of a large size and dark red glossy color, and of most excellent quality. Foliage is most healthy and vigorous. Perfect blossom. If we had to name two varieties for the family garden, Nick Ohmer certainly would be one of them and Pride of Cumberland the other.

**HAVERLAND.**—Exceedingly vigorous. Foliage clear of rust and disease. Imperfect blossom. Berries medium to large, long, conical, pale scarlet color. A very profitable berry the country over.

**CRESCENT.**—Medium size; very productive, and is still a leading variety in some sections.



**SEAFORD OR LLOYD.**—Originated near Seaford, Del., and has become a great favorite for market all over this section. Earlier than Bubach, much stronger growth of plant, firmer and of better quality. There is a strong demand for these plants.

**STARR.**—The only difference we can see between this and the Sharpless is that it is more vigorous and productive; it therefore seems to be an improved Sharpless.

**NEW YORK.**—This is the big fellow that won the \$100 gold prize over the Glen Mary. Plant is very large and stocky, equaling in this respect the very largest, even the Nick Obmer. Indeed for vigor and health of plant we have yet to see one that surpasses it. As fruited here the berries are large to very large, season of ripening medium; color dark scarlet, changing to crimson when fully ripe. Everyone who sees them is astonished at their size and productiveness.

**SHARPLESS.**—This is a grand old variety that should be found in every family garden. Plants are very large and very prolific. Perfect blossom; and no doubt with high culture, the berries are the largest grown, and we think the finest flavored.

**GANDY'S PRIZE.**—This is the standard late berry of America. Large, firm, uniform and attractive. To do its best it requires, like the Sharpless, to be planted on moderately stiff and moist soil. It is a money maker if properly managed.

**BUBACH'S NO. 5.**—Eighteen years ago John G. Bubach, of Princeton, Ill., wrote us that if we would send him six plants each of six varieties which he named, he would send us six plants of the best variety in existence; we sent the plants and received nine which we had the honor to introduce on this peninsula, under the name of Bubach's No. 5. This is the great commercial berry of the United States. It is the standard by which all other sorts are measured. It is so well known throughout the country that it needs no description here.

**PRIDE OF CUMBERLAND.**—A vigorous grower, ripens in midseason, the best flavored that we have ever grown. Nearly as large as Gandy and equally as firm, a better color and more productive. We are highly pleased with it, and have a fine supply of pure healthy plants.

**CUMBERLAND.**—This is the original old Cumberland Triumph, that almost every fruit grower is acquainted with. A fine old variety. Perfect blossom, and the berries are large and more uniformly alike than those of any other known variety. Highly profitable under garden culture, always selling at the highest market price. We have them in their purity.

**BRANDYWINE.**—This is a grand berry for the commercial fruit grower as well as for the family garden. A strong grower, healthy foliage, perfect blossom, berry very large, firm, of fine appearance and flavor. Season late.

**TENNESSEE.**—Large, good color, productive, of good shape, healthy and entirely free from rust. Ranks among the best in the strawberry list. A seedling of Sharpless and Crescent, showing the parentage of both. Largely planted throughout the country as a fertilizer for Bubach and other varieties having imperfect blossom. An immense cropper.

**BISMARCK.**—This is a Bubach with perfect blossom, and no further recommendation is needed.

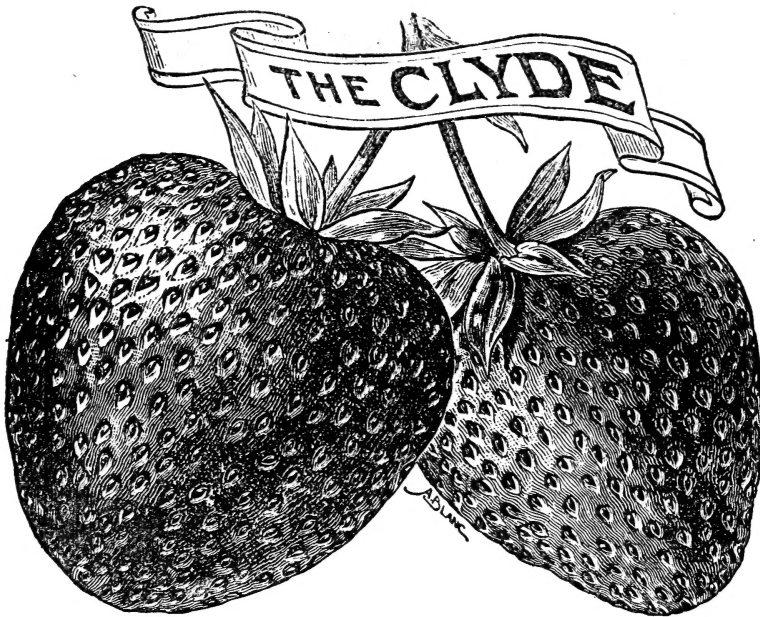
**MARSHALL.**—One of the largest plants on our grounds. In plant growth it very much resembles the Sharpless. Has a perfect blossom, and the berry is very large and of fine flavor; fairly early for a large berry. Needs a rich soil and high culture.

**LADY THOMPSON.**—Large, firm, fine flavor, valuable for market, especially in the south. Has a perfect blossom and is early.

**MARGARET.**—This is a fine variety. The plant is large and vigorous, matures its last berries and continues green and luxuriant while an abundance of strong runners and plants are produced. The foliage is of dark green and so clean and healthy looking that it is a pleasure to work among them. It commences to ripen soon after the earliest varieties and continues until all others are gone. The fruit is of a dark glossy red. The flesh is firmer than most large berries and of excellent flavor. For healthy vigorous growth, productiveness, size, beauty and quality, the Margaret is a remarkable variety, and should be found in every collection.

**PARKER EARLE** (Arnots Improved).—This variety is enormously productive in some localities and in others it is not altogether satisfactory. Its enormous set of fruit needs an abundance of fertility and moisture to bring it to maturity. We have the pure article.

**CLYDE.**—One great feature about this berry is its great adaptability to all sections of the country, and it everywhere produces wonderfully large crops of bright scarlet berries. It stands shipping well and brings the highest market price. The foliage is light green and vigorous. J. H. Hale says: "Plant the Clyde, make money, grow fat and be happy."



**LADY GARRISON.**—Although we have not fruited this variety, we have thousands of vigorous, healthy plants, and we have every reason to believe that it is alright and worthy of trial in every berry field. We have a number of good testimonials and here are some of them.

Seaville, Jan. 1, 1901.

Dear Sir:—I find the “Lady Garrison” berry to be a very heavy yielding variety, good color and good flavor and will pick longer than any berry I have ever raised.

Yours,

Eugene Townsend.

Seaville, Jan. 2, 1901.

Dear Sir:—Your letter received last night, Jan., 1st. In reply would say from the thousand plants I bought of you the spring of 1899, I picked about 1500 quarts. The season was very dry but the berries were very fine. I consider them very good yielders and good keepers. In ordinary seasons they need not be picked more than twice a week as they will keep hard on the vines and are a good shipper.

Yours,

Townsend Gandy.

Delmont, N. J. Jan., 2 1901.

I have tried all kinds of strawberries that I could get, but the ‘Lady Garrison’ is far ahead of them all, being a hardy grower, good yielder, perfect berry, good shipper, large size, fine flavor, and all that is in a berry for home use or market. I have tried them on light, sandy soil with best results. Have not tried them on heavy land. I have a fine patch this season. Can't say too much for them.

E. C. Henderson.

Eldora, N. J., Jan., 3, 1901.

Dear Sir:—Your letter received, and in regards to your “Lady Garrison” berry, will say that they are between a light and dark red in color. In regards to sweet or sour, they are just between. They yielded twice as much as the Gandy Prize for me. They have done better the past year than any of my other berries. They lasted longer than any other berry we had; picked about four weeks. We shipped 60 crates off of the 1,000 plants we bought of you besides what we used in our family.

Yours truly,

Charles P. McKeig.



Fishing Creek, Cape May Co., N. J., Jan, 4th., 1901.

Sir:—I fruited the "Lady Garrison" strawberries last season for the first. The season was very dry but for all that they yielded better, lasted longer and were larger than my other berries. Flavor good, medium sweet and fine colored. They hold their color a long time after they are picked. The plants are of a strong growth. Berries early.  
D. Morrell Woolson.

Heislerville, Cumberland, Co., N. J., Jan., 3, 1901.

Dear Sir:—I now take the pleasure to answer your letter. In regards to the "Lady Garrison" strawberries will say that they are as nice a berry as I have ever had, and like them better. They come very early and last season, they lasted until the Gandy Prizes were gone. I am very well pleased with them. They are a great yielder and are very large and nice berries. I have several different kinds of berries, but the "Lady Garrison" is the best.

Andrew Shropshire.

Mauricetown, N. J., Dec., 28, 1900.

Dear Sir:—In April 1899, I bought 5,000 "Lady Garrison" of you, and placed part in light sandy soil, and the balance on meadow land. It was very dry and hot during the picking season last Spring, and those grown in the sand did not grow very large but looked well crated, and netted me 3 cents more money per quart than the "Gandy Bell," and "Lady Thompson," grown along side, and for several years considered money makers. I set "Gandy Prize" with those in the meadow, and the "Garrison" sold for the same money per quart, and though the "Prize" were as good as we ever saw them, the "Garrison" picked two quarts to where the "Prize" would pick one. For a market berry, I consider the "Garrison" by far the best, in my experience.

Very truly yours,

Mortimer Mayhew.

**SENATOR DUNLAP.**—This is comparatively "a new comer." We procured our plants last spring and we are very much pleased with their growth the past season. We have a nice bed that will fruit this season, and we will have only a limited supply of plants for sale. Matthew Crawford, one of the best authorities on berries, says: "It is of the Warfield type, with perfect blossom, berries are hardy and plant one of the toughest I ever saw. In fact, Dunlap is one of the greatest all round strawberries ever introduced."

**JOHNSON'S EARLY.**—This has not proved to be as early as we had reason to expect

**MANOKIN.**—This is a new berry originated in Maryland, in 1895. It is a seedling of Crescent pollenized with Sharpless. The plant is a strong, vigorous grower, perfectly healthy and free from rust. The introducer says it is a heavy cropper of large deep scarlet colored berries that hold their size to the last picking.

**THE PLANTS WE GIVE TO OUR CUSTOMERS ARE: LADY GARRISON, SENATOR DUNLAP AND PARSONS BEAUTY.**—We shall put a bundle of at least one of these in every order that amounts to \$3 or more. The quantity we put in will depend on the size of the order, but not less than fifty plants in any case.

**THE GRAND NEW STRAWBERRY, "CRINE'S DROUGHT KING."**—For many years past I have given much time to growing new seedling strawberries, aiming to secure a good reliable late berry. As yet I have not succeeded in getting such a late berry but feel proud to state we have something extraordinary in an extra early berry.

Although the seasons of late have been unfavorable, we noticed this particular seedling retains its brilliant green color and brings forth its fine fruit when all its neighbors have suffered terribly or been destroyed entirely. For this reason I gave it the greatest attention and after learning its habits decided

to call it "Crine's Drought King" because it resists dry weather better than any berry in cultivation today.

The plant is a very rank grower; produces an abundance of runners, has fine green foliage and, although tried on various soils, I have never seen the least sign of rust upon it. Even our heaviest fogs, followed by hottest suns, seemed to have no effect upon the "Drought King."

The fruit has all one could ask for in flavor; is of immense size, nice shape and elegant color. Its shipping qualities are the *best* and no matter how long off the vines never seem to darken like other berries.

As to yield, it is simply marvelous, and will, with proper care produce *ten thousand* quarts per acre.

Taking all points into consideration, I think it is the finest berry for the grower to plant. It is adapted to a well drained soil and I would never advise planting upon wet or marshy land. Another point in favor of "Drought King" is that the fruit never runs small at end of season. This is something that makes it very desirable, as in our trials here we have many named varieties which start with a fine big berry and after picking once or a few times become so small as to be hardly worth the labor of picking.

I have for the last three years tested over one hundred varieties of strawberries and have never found anything to *nearly* equal this grand berry.

I should feel very much pleased to have anyone interested in strawberries to call upon us either now or at picking time and we will try to show the difference in varieties of berries.

PRICE: 1 dozen by mail, 50c; 100 by express, \$1.75.

"Drought King" is a perfect flowering berry and perfect in every way. The above is the introducer's description.

**GLEN MARY.**—A very large berry of fine quality and a favorite in market which seems yearly to grow in favor in sections suited to its best development. It blights badly in some sections.

**MICHEL'S EARLY.**—For a number of years this has been the leading very early strawberry, and is now found in nearly every family garden. It has a perfect blossom and clean healthy foliage and in some sections produces large crops. Some nurserymen claim now that it is superseded by the Excelsior. This season's crops will settle that question.

**AUTO.**—This is a new berry introduced last year. We visited the patch last season in the midst of ripening, on Mr. John Baker's farm, and to say the least it was a sight to behold. The largest plant, leaves and berries that we have ever seen. The way it brings up all its berries to such a large size is one characteristic. A number of berries measured over 2 inches in diameter. Large berries are the rule and small ones the exception, thus explaining the heavy yield for which it is noted. Should be in every collection.

**SAMPLE.**—The Sample strawberry is admired by everyone who has seen it. It is quite late to ripen, very large in size, crimson color. Very firm for a large berry.

**SUCCESS.**—This is a grand strawberry and well worthy of a trial by every fruit grower.

☞ Have you noticed on another page, which plants we are giving as premiums to our customers? ☞

## GENERAL LIST OF STRAWBERRIES.

Those marked "P" have pistillate or imperfect blossoms and should be planted near some sort with perfect blossoms. We sell 6, 50 and 500 at dozen, hundred and thousand rates, respectively.

	12	100	1000
Auto.....	\$1 00	\$4 00	\$25 00
Bubach No. 5, (P).....	20	40	2 00
Brandywine.....	20	40	2 00
Bismark.....	25	50	2 50
Clyde.....	25	50	2 50
Crescent (P).....	20	40	1 50
Cumberland.....	25	50	2 50
Drought King.....	50	1 75	
Gandy Prize.....	25	50	2 00
Glen Mary.....	20	40	2 00
Gladstone.....	25	50	2 50
Haverland (P).....	20	40	2 00
Johnson's Early.....	20	40	2 00
Lady Thompson.....	20	40	2 00
Lady Garrison.....	20	50	2 50
Lloyd or Seaford (P).....	20	50	2 25
Marshall.....	20	40	2 00
Michel's Early.....	20	40	1 75
Margaret.....	20	40	2 50
Manokin.....	20	40	2 00
Nick Ohmer.....	20	40	2 00
New York.....	20	40	2 50
Parker Earle.....	20	40	2 50
Parsons Beauty.....	20	40	2 00
Pride of Cumberland.....	20	40	2 00
Rough Rider.....	30	1 00	
Sharpless.....	20	40	2 50
Starr.....	20	40	2 50
Senator Dunlap.....	30	60	
Sample.....	25	50	2 50
Success.....	40	1 00	6 00
Tennessee.....	20	40	2 00

If to go by mail add 10 cents per 50, and 15 cents per 100 to the above 100 rates.

## ROCKY FORD MUSK MELON.

We are again fortunate in securing sufficient seed of this valuable musk Melon, to justify us in offering it again to our customers, which we do with the greatest confidence, after a series of careful and exhaustive trials. It has proven to be one of the most valuable sorts, in every respect somewhat resembling the old "Netted Gem," but is more oval in shape. The vines are exceedingly healthy and vigorous, bearing an enormous quantity of fruits during the entire season. Its value cannot be over estimated. The ground color of the skin is, when ripe, of a rich, greenish gold. The netting is very prominent and is light in color, which makes the outer appearance very attractive. The flesh is

very deep, ripening clear to the rind, and it has a very small seed cavity. It is very sweet and luscious in flavor and is entirely devoid of any stringy character. Our seed are absolutely pure and were grown for us at Rocky Ford, Colo., the only place in the United States where the seed are found to be absolutely pure, no other kind being grown there to get mixed with them. We are not offering these seed in competition with the cheap mixed seed sold throughout the country. We are dealing with those who want the pure article and are willing to pay a fair price for it. Packet, 5 cents; 1 oz., 15 cents;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb, 40 cents; 1 lb \$1.00.

### RASPBERRY PLANTS.

	Doz.	100	1000
Miller, fine plants.....	\$ 25	\$ 75	\$5 00
Kansas, Black Cap.....	25	75	6 00
Cumberland, Black Cap.....	50	2 00	

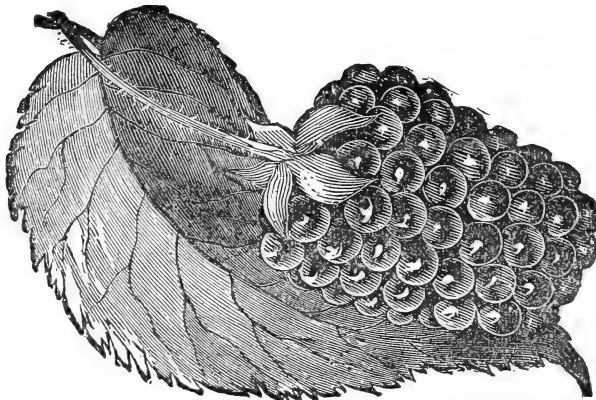
### BLACKBERRIES.

**EARLY HARVEST.**—The earliest blackberry, and the sweetest and by many thought to be the best. A heavy cropper, 25 cents per dozen; 75 cents per 100; \$4 per 1000.

**WILSON'S EARLY.**—The most popular of all blackberries. Large, hand some of good quality; a heavy bearer. 25 cents per dozen, 75 cents per 100; \$5 per 1000.

**ELDORADO.**—A grand variety, a heavy cropper and entirely free from rust and all other diseases. Price 40 cents per dozen, \$1 per 100.

**RATHBUN.**—This is a new and very early introduction. Those who are best acquainted with it, think that it is destined to make a sensation throughout the country, owing to its very earliness, large size and productiveness. We can offer only a few plants at 75c. per dozen.



**LUCRETIA DEWBERRY.**—We can supply 50,000 plants of this grand old money maker. Everybody that grows blackberries should also have Lucretia. Price 25c. per dozen; 75c. per 100; \$5.00 per 1000.

(If blackberry and raspberry plants are to go by mail add 10c. per dozen for postage.)

## ASPARAGUS ROOTS.

**CONOVERS' COLOSSAL, PALMETTO, BARR'S MAMMOTH AND DONALD'S ELMYRA.**—We sell these in three assortments.

Assortment 1st, 50c. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000.

Assortment 2nd, 40c. per 100; \$1.75 per 1000.

Assortment 3rd, 25c. per 100; \$1.00 per 1000.

The first assortment is well selected large roots. The second is nice, well grown 1 year roots. Third assortment is ordinary one year roots.

**COLUMBIAN MAMMOTH WHITE.**—We have about 40,000 one year roots of this variety, only ordinary size. Price 25c. per 100; \$1.00 per 1000.

## EARLY CABBAGE PLANTS.

(Ready March 1st.)

**EARLY JERSEY, WAKEFIELD, EARLY WINNINGSTADT AND HENDERSON'S EARLY SUMMER.**—All these plants that are ready to go in March are from fall sown seed, and have been wintered over in cold frames. We can supply the three varieties as follows:

**EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD,** Strong transplanted, limited supply, 40c. per 100; \$3.00 per 1000. Good second class, 30c. per 100; \$2.50 per 1000. Good strong plants, from seed bed, 25c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

**EARLY WINNINGSTADT,** 25c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

**EARLY SUMMER,** 25c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000.

**AFTER MAY 1ST** all the above varieties at 20c. per 100; \$1.50 per 1000.

**AFTER MAY 15TH.,** in addition to the above varieties, we will have ready, Autumn King, Surehead, Lupton's Improved, Vandegrew and Premium Late Flat Dutch at 15c. per 100; \$1.00 per 1000. Can quote special prices on large lots.

## LATE CABBAGE PLANTS.

(For Fall and Winter use, ready June to September.)

**PREMIUM LATE FLAT DUTCH, LARGE LATE DRUMHEAD, AND AMERICAN DRUMHEAD SAVOY,** 15c. per 100; \$1.00 per 1000; \$4.00 for 5000; \$7.50 for 10,000.

We sell more cabbage plants than all the other plant growers on the peninsula combined.

When ordering plants of any kind be sure to give implicit shipping directions; using our order sheet if you have it.

## CAULIFLOWER.

(Ready in March.)

**EARLY PARIS AND HENDERSON'S EARLY SNOWBALL.**—The best two early varieties. Strong transplanted plants 15 c. per dozen; 75c. per 100. From seed bed, 10c. per dozen; 50c. per 100.


**FOR LATER PLANTING WE HAVE VITCH'S AUTUMN GIANT.**—Large fine heads, well proportioned, of robust habit and one of the best late varieties.

**COLUMBIAN WHITE.**—A very superior, white, sure heading variety, uniformly large and solid. Largely planted by market gardeners around the large cities. These last two from May 15th to July 30th, transplanted, strong, well-rooted plants, 15c. per dozen; 60c. per 100. Strong plants from seed bed, 8c. per dozen; 40c. per 100. We may be able to quote special prices on large orders. (If to go by mail add 5c. per dozen and 15c. per 100 for postage.)

## EGG PLANTS.

(Ready May 15th.)

**NEW YORK IMPROVED LARGE PURPLE SPINELESS.**—One of the leading sorts for home and market. Plant is a vigorous grower. Fruit large, fine and free from thorns, and produced until frost. Skin of a rich purple. Flesh white and of a good flavor. We can highly recommend our carefully selected strain of this Egg Plant to market gardeners and amateurs. Strong, well rooted, transplanted plants. 15c. per dozen; 75c. per 100. Good large, well rooted plants from seed bed, 10c. per dozen; 50c. per 100. (If to go by mail add 5c. per dozen, and 15c. per 100 for postage.)

 **FOR TEN YEARS** we have been engaged in improving the Ruby King Pepper, so now we feel proud of the fact that we have the best strain in America.

## PEPPER PLANTS.

(Ready May 1st to July 10th.)

We have an immense trade in these plants, supplying thousands every season to our customers all over the country.

**RUBY KING.**—This magnificent variety has so gained in popularity that it is now recognized, the best and most profitable mild red pepper for market or family use. Those who see our crops growing are enthusiastic in praise of the beautiful plants, crowded with the large, handsome fruits of a bright ruby red color. Added to their beautiful color when ripe is the fact that they are remarkably mild and pleasant to the taste, in this respect unequaled by any other red pepper. So mild and pleasant in their flavor that they can even be sliced and eaten with pepper and vinegar, like tomatoes and cucumbers, and makes a very pleasant and appetizing salad, while for stuffing and for pepper hash no other variety can equal them. We expect to grow 500 pounds of seed this season, of this variety alone, which we supply to the seed trade.

**SWEET MOUNTAIN.**—Plants very vigorous and productive, growing upright, with moderately large leaves. Fruit very large, often 8 inches or more in length by 2 inches in diameter, very smooth and handsome, being when unripe of a bright deep green color, entirely free from any purple tinge, and when matured, of a rich red. Flesh very thick, sweet and mild flavored. Well suited to use as a stuffed pickle.

**BELL or BULL-NOSE.**—This is a well known old standard variety. Produces a very large sized pepper, which is highly esteemed for pickling, the skin being thicker than any of the other varieties, hotter than either Ruby King or Sweet Mountain.

**LONG RED CAYENNE.**—A long red variety, very hot, and is generally used for seasoning soups.

Well hardened transplanted plants of all the above varieties at 15c. per dozen; 50c. per 100.

**PLANTS FROM SEED BED**, good size and well rooted, 10c. per dozen; 40c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000. (If to go by mail add 5c. per dozen and 15c. per 100 for postage.)

Any order for plants in this catalogue amounting to \$5 entitles you to a discount of 5%, \$10 or over 10% and \$20 or over 15%. This is the best we can do in way of discounts and to secure this the cash must positively accompany the order.

## LETTUCE PLANTS.

(Ready March 1st.)

We sell thousands of these wintered over Lettuce plants during March, April and May, shipping probably to one half the States in the Union.

**REICHNER'S EARLY WHITE BUTTER**—A grand hardheading variety, large and solid; fine for forcing or open ground.

**BIG BOSTON**—Suitable either for forcing in cold frames or open ground planting. Big Boston is always wanted by truckers and gardeners because it always produces large, solid, saleable heads and because it heads up well at any season of the year and is of crisp tender quality. It is a splendid forcing variety and can stand the coldest weather in the open ground.

**THORBURN'S COLD FRAME WHITE CABBAGE**—This is a grand early sure heading variety. Really the earliest good heading sort. Always tender and crisp and well worthy of a trial by all our customers who send us an order for lettuce plants.

Well rooted and thoroughly hardened plants of the three above varieties ready March 1st at 25c. per 100; \$2.00 per 1000. After April 10th, 20c. per 100; \$1.50 per 1000. (If to go by mail add 10c. per 100 for postage.)

**THOUSANDS** of people who would like to grow early cabbage, lettuce and cauliflower do not know that the frosty weather of March will not injure the plants that have been wintered over in cold frames. They have been freezing and thawing all winter, so get your early plants out in March by all means, and be among the first

## EARLY TOMATO PLANTS.

Ready from Seed Bed April 1st.

We find that many of our customers desire to procure the seedling plants along in April, transplant them into cold frames and thus have them ready for setting out at the proper time. Hence we will have them ready hereafter, to go anytime through April, from seed bed.

**ATLANTIC PRIZE**.—A splendid extra early variety; of large size, bright red color and smooth.

**DWARF CHAMPION**.—An early and distinct variety, medium in size, plant of dwarf and compact growth. We think this one of the best for the early gardener.

**ACME**.—One of the best for the family, or the early market gardener. Early and ripens evenly, of medium, uniform size. Round, very solid and of pinkish color. A very attractive and saleable variety.

**PRICES OF TOMATO PLANTS.**—Seedlings, well hardened from hot bed. April 1st., and throughout the month, 25c per 100, \$2.00 per 1000.

**TRANSPLANTED**, large, well hardened plants, ready April 25th., 15c. per dozen; 60c. per 100. No tomato plants by mail.

## Tomato Plants For The Canning Factory.

Ready May 20th.

We have an immense trade in these plants. Our sales running into the hundreds of thousands. Canning companies throughout Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey order in large lots, besides the many thousands we ship to other States. It is a very common occurrence to fill orders for some canning factory for 50,000 to 60,000 plants. Our varieties are;

**PARAGON, FAVORITE AND STONE**, the three best in the world for canning. All grown from selected seed. Price, 15c. per 100, 80c. per 1000 \$3.50 for 5000. Special prices for 10,000 or more.

☞ We ship more cabbage, celery, sweet potato, and tomato plants, than perhaps any other house in American and more than all other houses on this Peninsula combined.



## CELERY PLANTS.

When we grew our first crop of celery plants for sale more than twenty years ago, we had hard work to sell 5000 plants, but our trade has steadily increased until now it reaches into the hundreds of thousands. We believe our sales this season will reach the million mark, at least this is what we are preparing for. If we had plants to buy instead of having them to sell we would



procure them as early as possible, transplant them into some cool garden place and there let them grow and become well rooted, until we were ready to set them out, during some rainy spell. Plants thus treated never fail to give satisfaction.

**OUR VARIETIES ARE; WHITE PLUME, GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING, GIANT PASCAL, GOLDEN HEART, BOSTON MARKET, AND PERLE LE GRAND.** ALL seedmen's catalogues thoroughly describe these varieties, so we think they need no description here. They are all well known to celery growers. We will have a limited supply of White Plume ready for shipment about June 1st., at 15c. per 100, \$1.25 per 1000. All varieties ready June 20th., at these prices. Can quote special prices on large orders.

## SWEET POTATO PLANTS.

(Ready May 1st.)

**YELLOW NANSEMOND.**—This is one of the best known sweet potatoes. It is of a rich golden yellow, dry and mealy. A good keeper, quite productive and always brings the highest market price.

**RED NANSEMOND.**—This possesses all the good qualities of the yellow Nansemond, is a purplish red color and on account of its many excellencies it is preferred by many above all others. It is steadily growing into popularity as the people get better acquainted with it. The demand for plants of this variety is steadily increasing.

**CEDARVILLE.**—This is a grand variety about one week to ten days earlier than the Nansemonds. Golden yellow, dry and mealy, and a most excellent keeper. Entirely free from black or dry rot.

**COOPER'S, OR YELLOW JERSEY.**—A grand old family and market variety. Has been grown here at Cheswold, by Mr. R. M. Cooper for more than twenty five years. We can unhesitatingly recommend this as a first class family and market variety, a heavy cropper and a good keeper. No doubt Mr. Cooper can supply bedding roots of this variety.

**BIG STEM JERSEY.**—We say it again "this is a whopper" in size and productiveness. A beautiful golden yellow in color; a strong grower and is readily distinguished from all other varieties, by its large dark green foliage. We must say, however, that after six years of experience with it, with all due respect for its good qualities, it is not a first class keeper. It must be kept in a very regular and high temperature. And we also notice that there is a growing condemnation of its table qualities, of which we never thought it first class. This variety is now badly mixed throughout the country with other varieties.

**VINELAND BUSH.**—We have discarded the Vineless Gold Coin for the simple reason that it has been superceded by "Vineland Bush," which is a perfect bush with no inclination for spinning; resembling a bean bush very closely. The tubers grow directly under the stalks. An abundant bearer, of handsome, rich gold colored potatoes, of fine quality and a good keeper. It is simply perfection and a decided improvement over all other vineless potatoes heretofore sold.

Our Prices for all varieties this season are; 15c. per 50; 20c. per 100; \$1.50 per 1000. 25 per cent may be deducted on all orders to be shipped after June 1st., and 40 per cent after June 15th.



## POT-GROWN STRAWBERRY PLANTS.

**POTTED STRAWBERRY** plants are usually set out by those who wish to grow a garden supply for the family, occupying ground from which some other garden crop has been gathered the same season. In selecting our varieties therefore to be potted, we do it with reference to the best sorts for the family garden. We begin to ship these plants about July 15th., and keep it up until well into November.

Our potted varieties this season will be: Michel's Early, Marshall, Pride of Cumberland, Sharpless, New York, and Gandy. Price 30c. per dozen: \$1.00 per 100.

**AUTO**, a limited supply of these, at 50c. per dozen: \$2.00 per 100. The above prices mean for a single variety. We cannot make up, pack, and mark 100 plants at these prices, if composed of several varieties.

It sometimes occurs that the varieties wanted are not sufficiently rooted at time of ordering, then it is the best for our customers to be patient for a few days and by all means have them well rooted.

We expect to have for sale this season: 150,000 Early Cabbage Plants, 250,000 Late Cabbage Plants, 700,000 Celery Plants, 200,000 Sweet Potato Plants, 75,000 Early Tomato Plants, 300,000 Late Tomato Plants, 65,000 Pepper Plants, 35,000 Egg Plants and 20,000 Lettuce Plants. Everything in its season.

**BE SURE** to notice our terms of discount and premium plants before ordering.

**REMEMBER** we can ship usually all through the month of February, of course we begin with our Southern friends.

**BE SURE** to see everything in this catalogue before ordering.

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