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GRAPE VINES

STARK GRAPE NURSERIES, Portland, N. Y., are in the heart of the famous Fredonia-Chautauqua Grape Belt, which produces the **best** vines of any locality in the U. S. A great factor in the unparalleled success of Stark products is the selection of **land** and **locality** best adapted to the different classes. Our vines are **PERFECT. Immense stock—finest quality.** Prices low as those of any reputable grower.

Portland, N. Y. Taking the Lead as a Grape Center.—There will be between 800 and 1200 acres of new vineyards set in the Grape Belt this spring. Growers of vines report an unprecedented sale of standard varieties distributed among six towns, with **Portland in the lead.** One grower will set 100 acres of Niagaras alone. The superior qualities of Niagara and its continued high selling price is making it a favorite.—“The Grape Belt.”

Portland is the Hub of the famous Grape Belt. More grapes are grown, packed and shipped from here than from any other place in the state.—J. L. Ince, Portland, N. Y.



CONCORD AND DIAMOND—Healthier, thriftier vines were never grown.



FIELD OF **STARK** GRAPE NURSERIES
WORDEN **BROS** PORTLAND, N. Y.



Vineyard of G. E. Ryckman, Brocton, Chautauqua Co., N. Y.

Probably the largest vineyard east of the Rocky Mountains. The first vines were set in 1824 by Deacon Elijah Fay (originator of Fay currant), grandfather of the present owner, and one of the original vines is **still alive**. The largest block of vines, a view of which is shown above, covers 150 acres, all in one body. The vineyard shows plainly the result of modern methods and intelligent handling. Mr. Ryckman is one of the best, most practical vineyardists and wine makers in the United States and deserves the success he has won.

VINES TRUE TO NAME—A very important point, as cuttings of grape vines are easily mixed. Cuttings for Stark Grape Nurseries, Portland, N. Y., are all cut from bearing vines and many hundreds of thousands are purchased from Mr. Ryckman, because he **knows** every vine in his immense vineyard. Every precaution is taken to have **all vines in Stark Portland Grape Nurseries absolutely true to name**, and no effort nor expense is spared to achieve this.

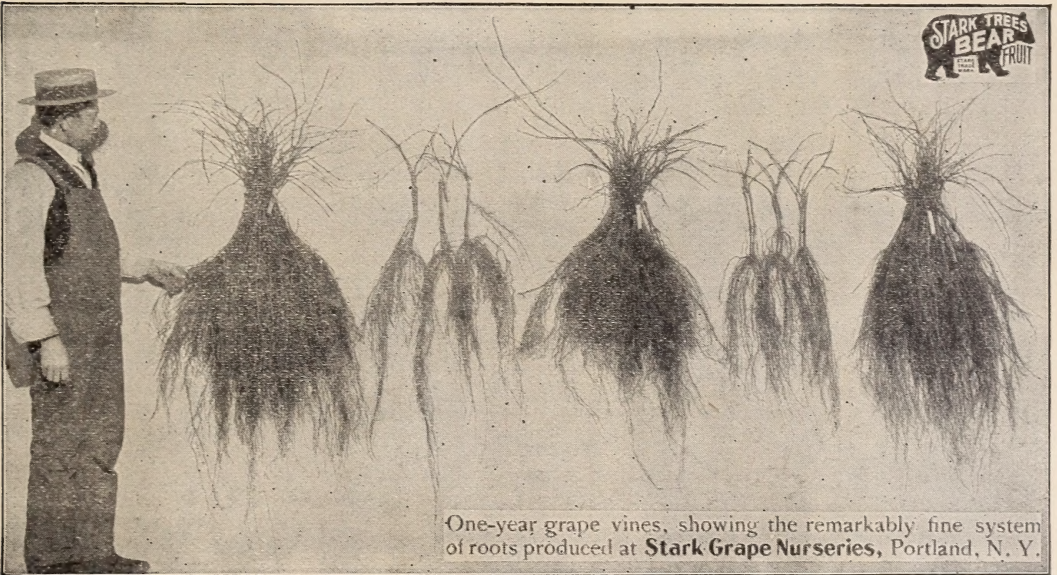




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FIELD OF **STARK BROS** GRAPE NURSERIES in the famous Fredonia Grape District, Chautauqua Co., N. Y.

NIAGARA I consider the leader of all white grapes; it sells for from two to five cents more per basket. For general run of the country Niagara, Delaware, Catawba, Salem, Pocklington and Concord should be most largely planted. I have not found any of the new varieties that are any improvement on these older sorts; if they have size and appearance they lack flavor.—John W. Fairfield, Yates Co., N. Y.



One-year grape vines, showing the remarkably fine system of roots produced at **Stark Grape Nurseries**, Portland, N. Y.

BRIGHTON.—Berries red, medium size, **best quality**. Vine vigorous, hardy and productive. Should be planted near Concord or Worden for fertilization of blossoms. Ripens before Concord.

Brighton is perhaps the best all-round red grape, giving both quality and quantity, whereas Catawba and Delaware, even with petting, cannot be grown with great success.—E. H. Riehl, Horticultural Editor Colman's Rural World.

CONCORD.—Too well known as the standard black grape of America to need any description. For general cultivation the most reliable variety grown, "**The Grape for the Millions.**"

DIAMOND (MOORE'S DIAMOND).—An excellent white; skin thin, but tough, making it a good shipper. Vine good grower, healthy, hardy and productive. Ripens a little before Concord. Very popular where known.

MOORE EARLY.—Most valuable early black, ripening two weeks before Concord; fruit considerably larger and about the same in quality; vine moderate grower, **hardy**. A heavy bearer if pruned slightly longer than is usual with other sorts. Succeeds best on rich soil with good cultivation.

NIAGARA.—Berries large, clear white; thin, but tough skin; does not crack, making a fine shipper. Flavor distinct and very agreeable. Ripens soon after Concord. Vine vigorous, productive, hardy.

Those who have given Niagara a fair trial will agree that it is, all points considered, the best of all white grapes, I consider it the most valuable variety known. No other variety makes such uniformly large, perfect bunches. Vine all that could be desired in health, vigor and productiveness. Skin thin, but tough enough to make it an excellent fruit to handle.—E. H. Riehl, Horticultural Editor Colman's Rural World.

WORDEN.—Better quality, larger berry, more compact clusters than Concord, five to ten days earlier. Vine perfectly hardy, very productive. For home use, at least, a great improvement on Concord.

London Market Currant.—Besides grape vines, we make a specialty of growing **Currants** and **Gooseberries** at Portland, as climate and soil is peculiarly suitable to their **perfect** development. We make London Market our leading currant, as it is the **BEST**—vigorous, freer from leaf spot, diseases and borers than any other, holding its dense foliage until late. Quality and size of berry almost identical with Fay.

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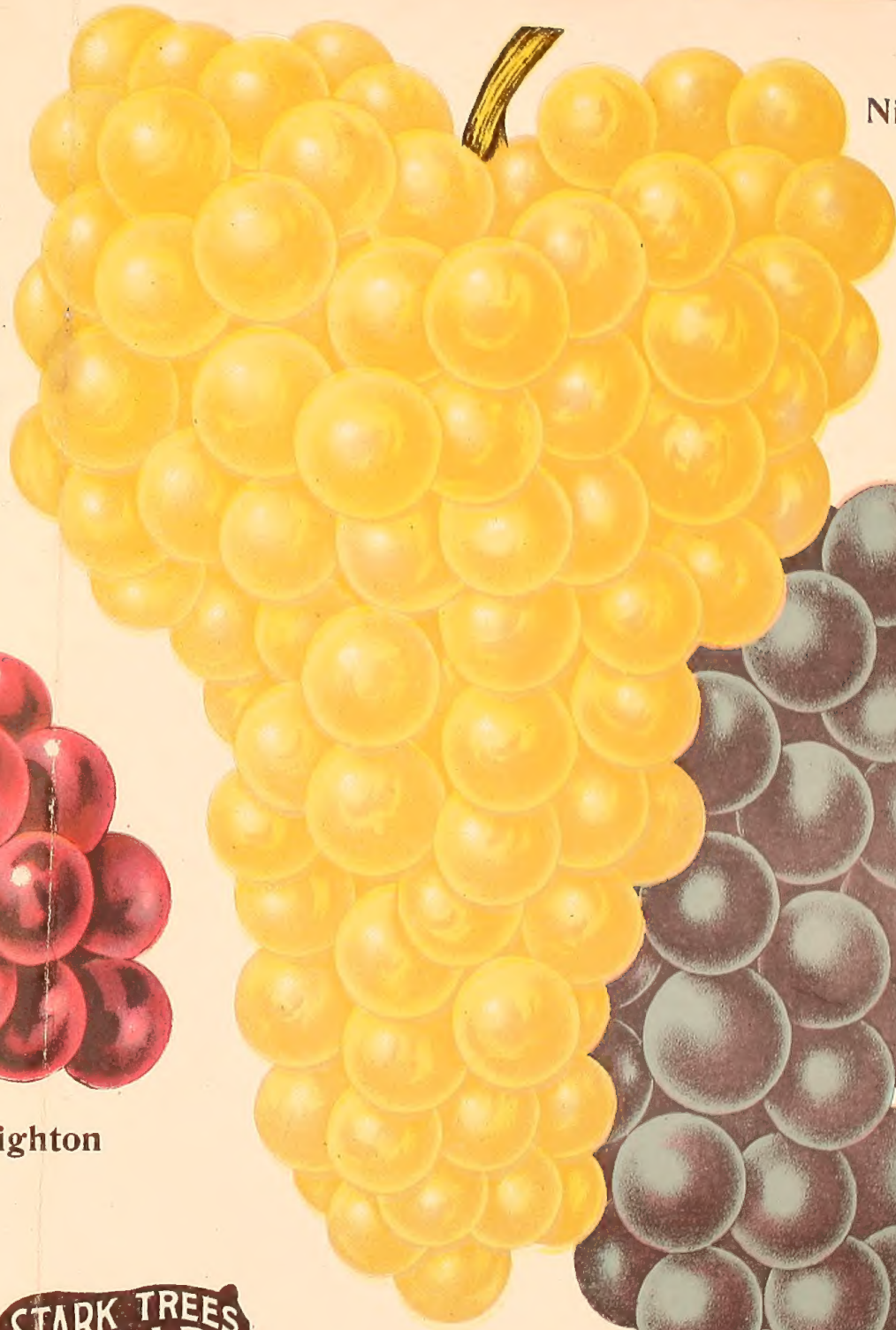
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Worden



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