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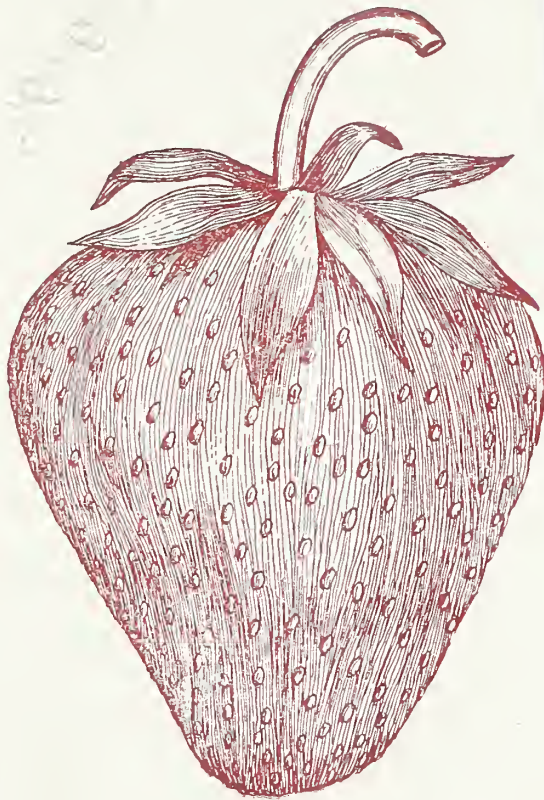
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The Maryland

...A NEW...

STRAWBERRY

FOR SALE BY

FRANKLIN DAVIS NURSERY CO.

Baltimore and Paca Sts., BALTIMORE, MD.

THE NEW SEEDLING STRAWBERRY

“MARYLAND”

THE INTRODUCER SAYS:

It has been our pleasure for a number of years to grow and propagate the strawberry, and to test the different varieties, and to also experiment with Seedlings and the native wild plants. In the Spring of 1902 we selected in Anne Arundel County about three hundred or more wild plants from different sections, and among them we found a single plant that promised to be a wonder and after testing it for five years, we can with confidence place it upon the market as a valuable one and one that every strawberry grower should try, and be convinced that it is all that we claim it to be. We have named this berry The “Maryland.” The original plant was found standing alone, and isolated from other plants, and is, therefore, a Seedling. It is a perfect flowering variety, strong upright grower, dark green foliage and has never been affected with the rust, so common to many kinds. The fruit is large, conical, dark red, and of the finest quality. Ripens with Tubbs. In fact promises to become one of the leading varieties and we believe it has come to stay. In the summer of 1907, which was an off year generally speaking, “The Maryland” bore a fine crop of marketable fruit.

We are now offering the plants of “The Maryland” with as much, if not more, confidence than any other berry we have ever sold.

The supply of the Maryland Strawberry is limited. Those sending in the first orders will be served.

Please note a few testimonials from responsible growers and shippers who have seen the berry and know exactly what it is.

FRANKLIN DAVIS NURSERY CO.
Baltimore, Md.

A FEW TESTIMONIALS:

Glen Burnie, Md.

Dear Sirs :—I visited your farm last summer and carefully examined a new variety of strawberry which I understood you propagated. Of its merits I will say its foliage seemed to be quite vigorous, fruit large, bloom perfect, color deep red, flavor delicious, flesh firm. I consider it will make a good shipper ; will be quite an acquisition to growers of strawberries,

Yours truly,

LUTHER C. DOWNS.

Harmans, Md.

Dear Sirs :—Having heard so much of your new berry last season, I went down to your place to see it in fruit. I did not go until Gandys were ripening (which was a bad time to judge an early berry) and found some beautiful fruit of bright color, firm with very few small berries and nearly all perfect with a large green cap, but the thing that impressed me most was the tall green vines without a spot of rust, while Gandys right beside were rusted badly.

Yours respectfully,

IRVING L. SHIPLEY.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—Last summer I had the pleasure of seeing and eating some of the new berries you propagated compared with the Gandy, which were growing side by side with them, I considered these far more prolific, a prettier and larger berry and in my estimation the best middle crop berry I have yet seen, considering size, growth of vines, large caps, firmness, and general excellence.

Yours respectfully,

J. M. BRIAN, JR.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—I wish to thank you for the two quarts of strawberries left at my office this A. M. I was surprised to see such fine large berries at this time, just as the Tubb variety are about half gathered, and at best five days before the Gandy ripens. From appearance I would think it a profitable berry to grow, as it has style, deep red, large size, and comes along at the time that shippers and the trade are hungry for fancy stock. You call them the Wild Strawberry. I would advise you changing the name to Fancy.

Very respectfully,

J. M. BARRY, Shipper,

Centre Market, Balto., Md.

Glen Burnie, Md.

Dear Sirs :—The Seedling Strawberry I saw you fruiting this season pleased me very much, both in size and quality. The box of berries I brought home with me, kept for several days and proved to be a good shipper. They resemble the Gandy in size; ripen with Tubbs; medium early; perfect blossom; make a very vigorous growth of vine. The berry has a strong stem and a wonderful large green cap, which adds to the beauty of the berry and apparently, is far superior to any early berry we have today. This berry is far superior to the Tubbs in size, with flavor and firmness.

FRANK A. TUBBS.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—I wish to thank you for the Berries you sent me of the new Seedling variety. They were the best berries I ever saw; large size, green caps, excellent flavor, and, I think, a first-class shipper.

IRA B. DOWNS & BRO., Commission Merchants,
121 Centre Market Space.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—Your new Seedling strawberry, of which I saw several boxes, attracted my attention. It is the most attractive berry I have ever seen, the cap being unusually large and green, the berry a beautiful crimson and fine flavor. I believe it will be a good shipper and will prove quite an acquisition to the strawberry grower.

Yours,

JOSEPH K. BENSON,
Commission Merchant.

Marley, Md.

Dear Sirs :—On hearing so much of your new Seedling strawberry, I decided to visit your place and see it while fruiting. I found it to be of large size, a beautiful deep, red color, delicious flavor, with unusually large, green cap. The vines were about twice the height of Gadys which grew very near it. The fruit stems were from 8 to 10 inches in height. It had every appearance of being a good shipper and was perfectly clear of the rust which so frequently attacks the strawberry. I have had considerable experience in strawberry growing for a number of years and can truthfully say that I believe this berry to be as near perfect as I have ever seen. I cheerfully recommend it to strawberry growers.

Truly yours,

THOMAS A. CROMWELL.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—The four boxes strawberries given me last June were very large, fine color, large green cap and quality fine. I kept two of them for three days and on examination found them to be in good condition. It is no doubt the best berry I have ever seen.

Respectfully, &c.,

WILLIAM MEGINNISS.

of Blankford & Meginniss, Shippers.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—The new berry which you have propagated in my opinion is one of the best table berries ever grown. I have eaten them and consider them not only a good table berry, but a fine shipper, being firm and of a good color. The beautiful, large green cap gives it a most pleasing appearance.

H. L. SHIPLEY,

Fruit Shipper.

Wellham, Md.

Dear Sirs :—Your new berry from which I picked a few quarts last summer was of superior flavor and firmness. It was a beautiful color with a large green cap, and planted by the side of Gandy was of equal size and had three times the yield, having a fine foliage with no indication of blight. I did not see the first fruit, but saw them at intervals and they were fine to the last.

JOSEPH M. BRIAN.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sirs :—In reply to your inquiry in reference to “Maryland Berry,” let us say that with the experience of thirty years in the handling of strawberries we consider this berry one of the best that we have ever handled. It is a good shipper, a long-liver, and retains its firmness and color better than any other berry that we know of. The only objection that we have to offer to “Maryland Berry” is that the growers from whom we purchase these berries have rather exalted ideas as to prices. We presume, however, that with the increase acreage that is being planted with the “Maryland Berry” we shall be able to purchase them in the future at moderate prices. We take pleasure in commending your berry to those who are seeking something above the average berry that is now grown.

Very truly yours,

C. P. TATEM & CO.,

Fruit Shippers, 121 Light Street.

Marley, Md.

Dear Sirs:—I must say your Seedling Strawberry is as large or larger than the Tubbs. It is crimson color, large green cap, free from rust, holds its color, and does not lose its lustre. I saw this berry after being picked off for two weeks. The vines were still green. I consider this to be one of the most prolific berries I ever saw.

FRANK S. REVELL.

Brooklyn, Md.

Dear Sirs:—In regards to my opinion of your new strawberry, will say that I saw your new berry last season, about one week after it had been bearing and gave it close examination and in my opinion, I think it the best berry that I ever saw grow, the berries being of large size, fine color with large green cap and a heavy bearer of fine, firm berries. So well pleased with what I saw of your new berry, I would plant my entire crop this spring if I were in position to get the plants, as I think it a mascot.

Very respectfully yours,

JAMES S. SMITH.

Marley P. O., Md.

Dear Sirs:—Hearing so much about your new berry "The Maryland" I decided to visit your farm to see for myself what it was like, and I must say that I found it to be all that you claimed for it, and I think it is the *best* medium early berry I have yet seen. I am willing to back my judgment of its excellence by planting largely of this variety next spring.

CHAS. B. PUMPHREY.

Harmans, Md.

Dear Sirs:—I think your new berry "The Maryland" an unusually fine berry. The color, size of fruit and cap, fine flavor and thick foliage are not to be surpassed by any berry I have ever seen. I feel perfectly safe in planting as many as I can secure next season.

Very respectfully,

JEFF D. PHELPS.

Harmans, Md.

Dear Sirs:—Will say in regard to "The Maryland Berry" I think it one of the best medium early varieties that I ever saw and especially this season (1907). Am not afraid to plant same on sandy soil.

Yours truly,

C. H. FULTON KELLY.

Wellham, Md.

Dear Sirs:—Having heard so much of your new berry “The Maryland” I visited your farm this season to see it fruiting. Words fail to express my surprise to find such a perfect berry. The fine vines, large fruit, and heavy cap are surprising; the delicious flavor making it an ideal table berry and I believe it to be a good shipper. I shall plant very heavily of them next season.

Yours truly,
RANDOLPH RAY.

Brooklyn, Md.

Dear Sirs:—I saw your new strawberry “The Maryland” fruit this spring, and after taking into consideration such drawbacks as a cold, wet and frosty spring, a poor and worn out soil, I think you have a berry that I shall plant largely for my main early variety. The vines on that poor soil were very tall with long fruit stems which contained very large, firm berries.

I am convinced that such a large, firm and sweet berry will demand a good price on any market.

Very truly,
ROLAND N. PHELPS.

Hanover, Md.

Dear Sirs:—Your new strawberry “The Maryland” which I saw fruiting this season is certainly a fine medium early berry. I was much impressed with its bright color, large cap, delicious flavor and size of both vine and berry, all of which seemed not to have been impaired by the unseasonable weather of the past Spring. I intend to plant at least 6 or 8 acres next Spring if possible to secure plants.

Very respectfully,
JAS. E. PHELPS.

Harmans, Md.

Dear Sirs:—After hearing such good reports about “The Maryland” strawberry I was anxious to see it in bearing which I did this season. The vines and stems were very strong and vigorous with no signs of rust. Berries very large, bright red and firm, and of excellent flavor. In my judgment it is the best middle early crop berry we have.

Very respectfully,
W. R. SHIPLEY.

Harmans, Md.

Dear Sirs:—I was down on your farm in the beginning of strawberry season with several of my neighbors about the time the straw-

berry crop looked very poor, and I examined "The Maryland Berry," though I am no strawberry prophet, but I consider the berry far superior to any that I have seen for some time, not only in quality but in the quantity. I expect to plant several acres of "The Maryland Berry" this coming season.

R. W. HAWKINS.

Hanover, Md.

Dear Sirs:—After having seen "The Maryland Berry" on your Farm I considered it a very fine berry being of large size with bright red color, as to the firmness it is excellent as I kept it six days and it was still good for table use. It has a fine flavor with heavy green foliage. I think the "Maryland Berry" will do well on much thinner land than most berries.

Yours truly,

W. P. DISNEY.

Hanover, Md.

Dear Sirs:—I had the pleasure of seeing your new seedling strawberry "The Maryland" this season while fruiting. I really think it is one of the finest berries I have ever seen, the vines being vigorous, berry very large, color deep red and flavor splendid. I believe it to be an excellent shipper and expect to plant heavily of them the coming season.

Yours truly,

CHAS. PUMPHREY.