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**SPECIALISTS  
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FLOWER SEEDS  
HARDY BULBS  
ORNAMENTALS  
SMALL FRUITS**



## GENEVA, OHIO

BUY NORTHERN GROWN STOCK



Flower Garden

*A kiss of the sun for pardon,  
The song of a bird for mirth,  
You are nearer God's heart in a garden  
Than anywhere else on earth.*

## Something in This Catalogue Will Interest You

The pages following are brim full of things which are bound to be of interest to you. Read, without fail, the list below of a few of the attractive items listed.

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# Introductory

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It is with pleasure we present Ransom's catalogue for 1926. First we wish to extend our hearty greetings for this coming year, and to thank one and all of our customers for their splendid patronage the past year. We also hope to have your continued orders for seeds, bulbs, and nursery stock that you may need this season. We established a 24-hour seed schedule the past year on most of our seed orders, and are in position to take prompt care of your orders.

## SHOP BY MAIL. SEEDS DELIVERED FREE.

All seeds offered in this catalogue in any quantity from a packet up to and including 5 pounds, will be delivered to your door postpaid. Where larger quantities are offered By Express at a reduced rate, we do not pay transportation charges. By Express means the customer pays carrying charges either by freight or express.

## REMITTANCES

These should be made by post office or express money order, bank draft, registered letter, or personal check. Stamps for small orders. Shipments can be made C. O. D. if one-fourth the amount accompanies the order

**This Book is Our Salesman** from whom our patrons can buy at convenience. Prices are plainly marked and everything suitable to go by mail is delivered free at the prices named. We give close personal attention to every part of our business, and are always glad to accom-

modate and assist our customers in every way we can. **We Fill All Orders as Soon as Received**, if the stock is ready. Customers who wish their order, or any part of it, booked for shipping at a later date, should state the fact distinctly.

## PLEASE READ

The Ransom Seed & Nursery Company is located near Geneva, Ohio, on the North Ridge highway. This is the main artery of travel across Northern Ohio. We have a heavy investment in land, buildings, equipment, and growing stock. This past summer a new farm was purchased, which will be used for propagation work. These things are mentioned so that our customers will know this is a staple business, here to stay, and not operating from a city store paying rent, here today and gone tomorrow.

There is no business in the world in which well-directed knowledge and experience mean so much as in seed growing and nursery propagation. Better seed stocks cannot be purchased at any price than we offer. There is no more favorable location for nursery propagation than the Western Reserve of Ohio, near Lake Erie. Our stocks are Northern Grown, which mean everything to the planter.

We are offering only the very best varieties of garden and flower seeds. Everything catalogued is the very best in its class. In nursery propagation our efforts are confined only to the worth while sorts, which will prove satisfactory in customers hands.

A trial order this spring will make you a permanent customer.

## OUR GUARANTEE

We guarantee you satisfaction or the return of the money you paid us for any seeds offered in this catalogue, which do not satisfy you. When they do not do so, we want to know it, for we shall survive only as we serve.

### THE GENEVA MADISON SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION

Geneva, Ohio, Aug. 4, 1923.

To Whom It May Concern:—

The Ransom Seed and Nursery Company shipped a large quantity of goods by parcel post when I was postmaster, and I never had a complaint from their customers. I do not hesitate to recommend them.

W. M. CARPENTER,  
Former Postmaster, Geneva Ohio.

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF ASHTABULA**  
Capital, \$200,000.00  
Surplus and Undivided Profits, \$150,000.00

To Whom It May Concern:—

We have had the account of the Ransom Seed & Nursery Company for the past eight years, and they have always been prompt and reliable in all their dealings. We would unhesitatingly recommend them and they are perfectly responsible for any undertaking, and we think ready to make good on anything they guarantee.

Yours very truly,

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF ASHTABULA.**  
By H. R. Faulkner, Cashier.

We suggest that you give us your order as early as possible, and give date when you would want the plants shipped. We will carefully file the order and send at the designated time. This will often save delay in filling orders that you might send us during the rush season in April and May, when orders are taken in turn.

We guarantee plants to arrive in good condition, if they do not, we will esteem it a favor to be notified at once.

Faithfully yours,

**RANSOM SEED & NURSERY CO.**

**SHOP BY MAIL — Save Time and Money**

# Rare Flowers for Your Garden

From hundreds of varieties we have selected a few for these two pages which deserve special consideration. Each one is a leader of its class. Plant them with the greatest possible assurance.



Bluelace Didiscus

## 1—NEW ASTER

**GIANT YELLOW INSPIRATION.** The finest yellow Aster yet produced. Its delicate hue of pure sulphur yellow, endears it at once to every true lover of beauty. The flowers are large and remarkably full and ball-shaped, with centers deeply covered with curled and twisted florets. The plants are of branching type and very vigorous. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c; ½ oz., \$1.00.

## 2—SEPTEMBER BEAUTY

One of the loveliest Asters for cutting yet introduced. The plants are tall, with stems 10 to 15 inches long. The shade is like a delicately tinted peach blossom—soft flesh pink. The flowers come just before the American Branching type and are extra large and well formed. Be sure to have this beauty in your garden. Pkt. 15c., 2 pkts. 25c., ½ oz. 50c; ¼ oz. 90c.

## 3—NEW CALENDULA

**PRINCE OF ORANGE.** This new variety is a free bloomer, producing masses of beautiful double flowers, deep orange yellow, creamy-white center with dark eye. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

## 4—GOLDEN ORANGE DAISY, AFRICAN

This flower is from South Africa and is the easiest grown of any of the showy border plants. It grows to a height of about fifteen inches and blooms profusely all summer. Seeds planted in the open ground in early May were flowering in July and continued until frost came. In our trial ground it was the most attractive flower of any shown there; the flowers are about two and one-half inches across and the most beautiful golden orange color. We recommend this specially for borders and along walks. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 60c; 1 oz., \$1.00.

## 5—DIDISCUS OR "BLUE LACE FLOWER"

**COERULEUS.** No other annual of recent introduction has attained such great popularity as the Blue Lace Flower. It was brought here from Australia, and though but recently introduced it is already extensively grown as a cut-flower. The lovely, lace-like, umbel-shaped flowers, 2 to 3 inches across, are a rare and most beautiful shade of clear coerulean blue. The blossoms, in form, somewhat resemble those of Queen's Lace Handkerchief, and are on good long, clean stems. The plants grow about 2 feet high and are of easiest culture. Sow the seed out of doors when danger of frost is over and they should bloom continuously from July till October. It will also do well as a houseplant in the winter. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c.

## 6—HOLLYHOCK

**"EXQUISITE."** The flowers, of this new double Hollyhock are very large and possess the charming feature that every petal is exquisitely curled and fringed. Each white margined petal is marked with a large blotch ranging in color from pink to red, violet and purple, suggesting the markings of the Pelargonium. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

## 7—SUNFLOWERS

**NEW RAINBOW HYBRIDS.** Glorious colors, ranging from the most delicate light yellow, through all shades of gold and orange with pinks, reds and browns. To see them is to love them. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts. for 25c; ½ oz., 50c; oz., 90c.

## 8—THE ONLY GOOD WHITE DELPHINIUM

This little known perennial (*D. Chinesis*) is one that well deserves more popularity. It has so many good qualities to commend it that we believe the only reason it is not more universally used is because people do not know its excellent points.

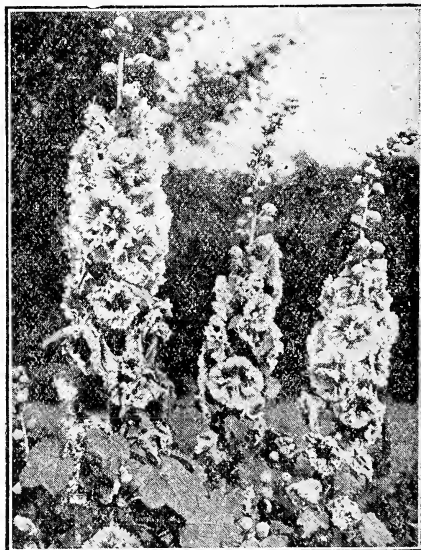
In the first place, it is a hardy perennial that blooms profusely the first year from seed sowed outdoors in the early spring. The plant is absolutely hardy and, although it dies to the ground every winter, it will live years without requiring winter protection. Each year it will make a little larger clump and blossom profusely from early spring until late fall if the flowers are kept cut off before they go to seed.

The plant grows in the form of a spreading bush about 2½ feet high and is covered from top to bottom with white flowers of the same shape and size as the ordinary Delphinium or Hardy Larkspur. Instead of being clustered on long heavy spikes, they are arranged in graceful sprays that are fine for cutting.

The seed is of medium size and grows quickly, so it is an easy plant for any one to raise. One packet will sow 15 feet of row. Pkt. 10c; ¼ oz. 40c; ½ oz., 75c.

## 9—GOLDEN BUTTERCUP POPPY

Large golden yellow, cup-shaped flowers, 3 inches across, on long stems over attractive foliage. The color is clear bright yellow, the petals are crinkled, like crushed satin. Plants make a strong bush and produce the attractive flowers in abundance from July until late Fall. Very showy for garden display in a row or mass planting. The cut flowers will keep in fresh water for a week or longer. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 60c; oz., \$1.00.



Hollyhock Exquisite

There is Good Profit in Commercial Propagation of Regal Lilies from Seed

**10—SUMMER POINSETTIA**

**New Amaranth.** This brilliant foliage plant is an improvement over Burbanks Molten Fire. On good soil it grows 4 ft. tall and 3 ft. across. Large crinkly leaves and rich bronzy purple with a red blotch along the midrib. Then in August the terminal leaves turn fiery crimson like a poinsetta creating a sensation wherever grown. Pkt., 25c; 2 for 40c.

**11—CANNA**

**New Varieties, Mixed.** These seeds are selected from a choice collection of a French specialist who has given much time and attention to this plant. These seeds should produce first class varieties. Pkt., 25c; oz., 75c.

**12—GIANT FLOWERING SHOW ZINNIA**

Huge flowers measuring 5 to 6 inches across, semi-globular and very double. Enormous blooms on long stems like big Chrysanthemums and unexcelled in bright and pleasing colors. Grand and long lasting effects can be produced in beds and borders with this new race. Cannot be excelled in beauty and range of color. 2½ feet high. Mixed colors, pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c.

**13—LILIUM REGALE**

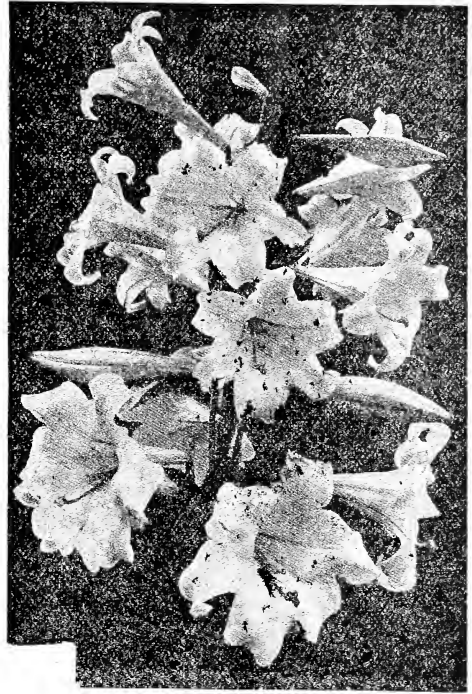
**The Regal Lily.** It is absolutely hardy, and is excellent for forcing. It has been predicted that this will become the Easter Lily of the future, and being so hardy, may be grown at home. The flowers are white, slightly suffused with pink with a beautiful shade of canary yellow at the center, and extending part way up the trumpet. It is delightfully perfumed, reminding one of the jasmine, and lacking the heavy oppressive odor of most lilies. Blooms out of doors early in July, and seedling bulbs will flower the second year. Pkt., (35 seeds), 25c; 5 pkts., for \$1.00., ¼ oz., \$1.50; oz., \$5.00.

**14—JAPANESE IRIS**

**LARGE FLOWERING HYBRIDS.** To those interested in this charming flower and who are not impatient of results we would suggest they try a packet of this. This seed comes from the trial grounds and workshop of a Japanese Specialist who has introduced many new and beautiful varieties and this seed should produce some attractive sorts. Iris seedlings usually bloom second year. Pkt., 50c; 3 pkts., \$1.25; oz., \$1.50.

**15—SUMMER CHRISTMAS TREE**

**Artemisia.** Forms a very ornamental pyramid-shaped tree 3 to 5 ft. high—resembling an Evergreen Fir Tree. Foliage is rich dark green. You will find it attractive, planted



Regale Lily

as single specimens or as a border like Mexican Fire Bush. An annual making full growth from seed in one year. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 90c.

**16—BLUE SALVIA**

**Farinacea.** You have admired the grand beds of red Salvia, but are you familiar with the beautiful blue variety of this same flower? It is nice for cutting or for bedding, the flowers being borne on tall graceful spikes. Try it this year. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 75c.

**17—NEW HARDY WHITE SALVIA**

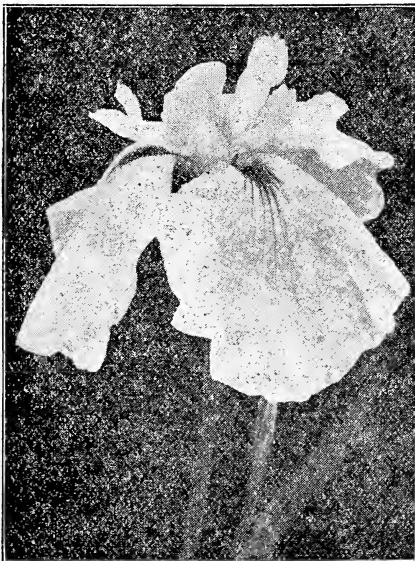
**ARGENTEA.** Very attractive silvery white foliage. Pyramids of white flowers, three feet high. Blossoms the second year from seed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 60c.

**18—BORDER OF GOLD**

**Tagetes.** This sunny little flower belongs to the marigold family, growing 12 to 15 inches high and making a compact plant. The foliage is fern-like and dainty. Planted in a row, all during the summer and fall you will have a golden stripe of bloom. The flowers are small but they literally cover the plants with sunshine. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

**19—SHELL FLOWER\***

**Chelone Barbata.** Chelone has few rivals among the perennials. The flower-spikes are closely set with the rich coral-red blooms. It is an excellent variety for cutting, and blooms most freely in moist soil and a semi-shaded location. Protect the plants with straw during severe winter weather. Pkt. 10c; 1/8 oz., 25c; 1/4 oz., 45c; 1/2 oz., 85c.



Iris, Japanese

Gentlemen:

Columbus, O., March 23, 1925.

Enclosed please find order. The plants I bought from you three years ago are the finest I have ever seen. Never lost a plant.

Yours truly,

L. W. HUBBARD.

# Some Vegetables of Special Merit

we especially recommend for extra fine crops. Every variety has had thorough trial ground tests

## 20—THE YARD LONG BEAN

**ASPARAGUS BEAN.** Pods are nearly up to the name, often reaching a length of 30 to 36 inches, but usually 18 to 24 inches. Your friends will wonder at and admire your plants of this great bean, and they are of excellent table quality also, with a rich asparagus flavor. Do not be without this valuable curiosity. It is a pole bean of quick growth, with neat foliage, not attacked by insects. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 35c; lb., \$1.25 postpaid.

## 21—NEW BEET, EARLY WONDER

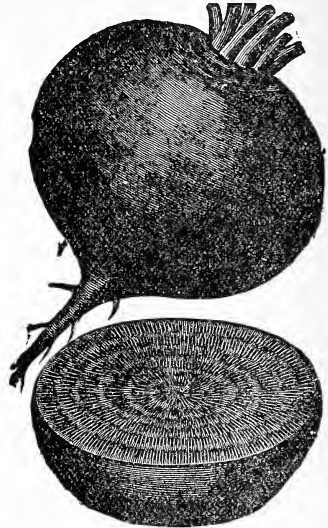
**A Very Fine Market and Table Beet.** This is an early beet with a very small tap-root, small top and is of exceptionally fine dark red color. The beets are slightly flattened and mature very evenly so that when you commence to pull on a field of them you may pull the entire crop clean. This beet having such a small top makes it a light yielder of seed, but it is well worth the extra cost of the seed. Matures earlier than any other variety, therefore, will mature two crops in one season on same field. Very good sort for early as well as for a fall or winter beet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00 postpaid.

## 22—SWEET CORN, EARLY MAYFLOWER

**The earliest of all white real sweet varieties.** How would you like to be the first one to have sweet corn on the table before anyone else in your neighborhood? You can if you plant Early Mayflower—the earliest of all white true sweet corns, barring none. The ears are surprisingly large for an early variety, averaging ten rows of the tender deliciously sweet kernels—a nice table size. The ears are about 7 inches long. A money maker for the gardener who wants to get the early high prices. We have the introducer's pure strain. Make several plantings of sweet corn to always have tender ears.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75 postpaid. By express 10 lbs. or more 25c per lb.

## 23—GOLDEN GIANT SWEET CORN

**This valuable Golden Sweet Corn was introduced to combine size and earliness.** It has attracted much attention and was in great demand last spring. It is a cross between Golden Bantam and Howling Mob, producing heavy stalks, usually carrying two large 12 to 14 rowed ears. The heaviest yielding early yellow variety.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75 postpaid. By express 10 lbs. or more 25c per lb.



Beet. Early Wonder



Radishes. Olive Crystal

## 24—WHIPPLES EARLY SWEET CORN

**Yellow Sweet Corn.** This is considered by many authorities as the most remarkable development in yellow sweet corn since the introduction of Golden Bantam. Here is a variety that is just as early as Golden Bantam, in fact, some have found it to be a few days earlier and produces ears twice the size of the ordinary Bantam. Under ordinary conditions, the ears average seven to eight inches long. Very large, rounded, having twelve to sixteen rows of large kernels. In quality it is very fine, sweet and tender.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75; postpaid. By express 10 lbs. or more 25c per lb.

## 25—NEW GOLDEN ACRE CABBAGE

**A New Introduction and One of the Earliest Cabbages in Existence.** The Golden Acre is perhaps the most important new Cabbage introduced in years. It matures hard, round heads, nine inches in diameter, 80 days from time of sowing seed. Remarkably uniform in size and growth, compact in habit, with few outer leaves; very solid for such an early sort and of fine quality. Our seed comes direct from Denmark and is the best that can be procured. Pkt., 25c; oz., \$1.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$4.50.

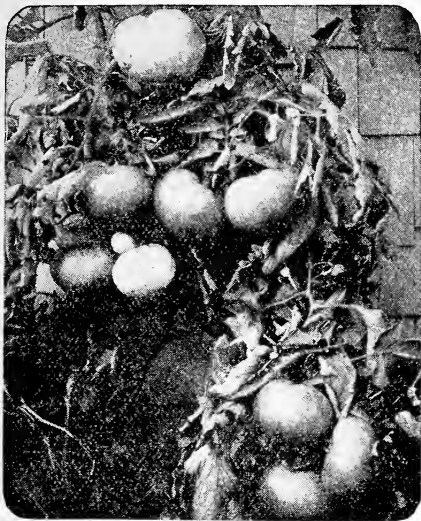
## 26—CELERY

**EMPEROR (NEW).** A quality variety—almost in a class by itself for flavor and brittleness. It is dwarf in type (hence easier to blanch than taller kinds) second early and a good winter keeper. The stems are round (not moon-shaped), a distinguishing characteristic. Bred especially for freedom from hollow stalks. If you grow celery be sure and plant this for quality. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 35c; oz., 60c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$2.00; lb., \$7.50.

## 27—NEW WINTER WATERMELON

The fruits of this new melon are of medium size, round, pale yellow when ripening, flesh bright red, crystalline, sweet as honey. Seeds very small, black. Take fruits from garden before frost and store in cool cellar. They will keep in perfect condition for at least 60 days. Matures in 80 to 85 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 60c; lb., \$2.25 postpaid.

OLIVE CRYSTAL IS THE FINEST TABLE RADISH EVER GROWN



Giant Tree Tomatoes

**28—KING OF DENMARK SPINACH**

A remarkable new spinach that is far superior to all of the older kinds. Its principal advantage is that it stands two weeks longer before running to seed than any other variety. It also grows larger and yields more and is of superior quality.

This is a great advantage both for the home garden and the commercial grower. The King of Denmark instead of running to seed keeps on growing for two weeks longer, producing a heavy yield and prolonging the time during which it may be used, or marketed. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00 postpaid.

**29—OLIVE CRYSTAL**

**NEW RADISH.** Nearly everyone likes radishes, and an additional variety of distinct merit is always welcomed. Olive Crystal belongs to the summer radish class. Outside of its looks it has quality; the flesh is as sweet as a nut, entirely without the sharpness so often found objectionable in varieties of the same class. In shape it is that of an olive and the size of a walnut. This new sort matures early, grows a very small top, and has a very small tap root. It may be planted early without running to seed. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.50; 5 lbs., \$6.00 postpaid.

**MERIT VEGETABLE SEED OFFER**

**\$1.50 Postpaid**

In order that our customers may try all the Special Merit vegetables described on pages 4 and 5, we will mail one packet of each (sweet corn ¼ lb. of each) of the 14 kinds as described on these two pages. Regular \$1.80 value for \$1.50, postpaid.

**30—NEW TABLE SQUASH**

**DES MOINES.** In size Des Moines equals a fair sized husked cocoon, and a half, baked, serves one person amply. This avoids the waste resulting from the use of large varieties. The shell is thin and it does not require over 20 minutes for boiling or baking. This squash is ready before the Hubbards and yet stores equally well. The color is a dark green changing to bright golden after picking and storing. The meat is dry and mealy. It yields enormously, a few hills furnishing an ample supply for a good sized family. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

**31—GREAT GIANT TREE TOMATO**

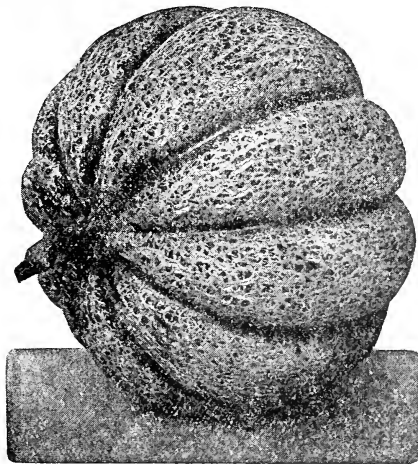
A new tomato of great merit. Will climb from 8 to 15 feet high, trained on trellis. Fruit is medium to large size, of meaty and luscious flavor. Immense bearers, from 50 to 100 pounds on vine. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 45c; ¼ lb., \$1.25 postpaid.

**32—HEART OF GOLD MELON**

**The Ideal Small Fruited Muskmelon for the Garden.** This is the Melon de luxe for the home garden, its tender, sweet, juicy and melting flesh has a flavor unlike that of any other Muskmelon. It is not of large size, but just right for table use. Round, heavily netted with deep orange flesh, these melons make a splendid appearance. The vines are very productive, strong growing and free from disease. Gardeners who have never had success with growing muskmelons will find this a heavy bearing variety even under unfavorable conditions. Don't leave muskmelon out of your garden list when you can grow Heart of Gold. One package of seed will produce enough fruit to plentifully supply the average size family. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 60c; lb., \$1.75; 2 lbs., \$3.00 postpaid.

**33—NEW MUSKMELON**

**GOLDEN CHAMPLAIN.** This melon was originated in the Western Reserve by Mr. H. J. Walrath, and has been on our markets here for several years. Golden Champlain is a medium sized melon, nicely netted, flesh deep, sweet and melting, of a golden yellow. Vines are vigorous and healthy, setting and ripening melons even under adverse conditions. It is the earliest melon grown, ripening in 57 days from seed to market, quality cannot be excelled. In productivity this variety has yielded \$2000.00 per acre. The New York State Experiment Station tried the Golden Champlain in comparison with 40 other varieties, and reported it to be much earlier, and of delicious flavor. This melon has been grown as far North as Winnipeg, Canada, and Northern Maine where no other melon will ripen. Don't fail to plant this melon for an early melon cash crop. Pkt., 20c; ½ oz., 40c; oz., 60c; ¼ lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00; 2 lbs., \$9.00; 5 lbs., \$20.00 postpaid.



Muskmelon. Golden Champlain

# Giant Washington Asparagus

## The Only Rust Resistant Variety

### 34—GIANT WASHINGTON ASPARAGUS

This is a wonderful new variety developed by the United States Department of Agriculture. It is the only rust resistant variety of asparagus grown. It is a fast growing variety with a delicious flavor and tenderness, yielding stalks two inches in diameter, and even when twelve inches long are perfectly tender. Tests in all parts of the country have proven conclusively that the new Giant Washington is superior to any other variety and the best yielder. Our seed is guaranteed to be genuine Giant Washington. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.50; 5 lbs., \$15.00 postpaid.

Asparagus is one of the most profitable crops grown. It is in great demand in all markets, always selling for very high prices. The demand is much greater than the supply as asparagus has not been extensively planted as many other farm products. It is easily packed and shipped to distant markets: not being perishable like fruits. \$500.00 per acre profit is a common yield, being ready for market in April and May.

Asparagus is perfectly hardy and when once established lasts for years. It will thrive in all localities and on any soil that will produce general farm crops.

### 35—CONOVER'S COLOSSAL

This sort is one of the largest and most extensively used green varieties. Shoots bright green, sometimes tinged with purple at the top, very tender and of the best quality. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; 1 lb., \$1.25 postpaid.

### 36—GIANT EARLY ARGENTEUIL

A splendid early French variety of large size and green in color; excellent flavor. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

### 37—ASPARAGUS ROOTS

There is nothing so important about raising asparagus as the quality of the roots. The majority of roots sold are small and stunted. People who do not know what really good roots look like accept these worthless things, and of course, do not get good results, and think they cannot raise asparagus. As a matter of fact if they got really well grown roots they would have had no trouble in establishing a good bed which would yield an abundance of large shoots every year.

#### Two-Year Transplanted

	Postpaid 25	Postpaid 100	By Express 1000
Giant Washington.....	\$1.00	\$3.00	\$16.00

#### Three-Year Transplanted

Giant Washington.....	\$1.25	\$4.00	\$20.00
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#### Four-Year Transplanted

Giant Washington.....	\$2.00	\$6.00	\$35.00
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50 at 100 rate, 250 or 500 at 1,000 rate.

#### Two-Year Untransplanted

Conover's Colossal.....	\$ .75	\$2.00	\$10.00
Early Argenteuil.....	.75	2.00	10.00

One year roots either Conover's Colossal or Early Argenteuil 200 for \$2.25 postpaid; 500 for \$4.00; 1000 for \$7.00; 2000 for \$13.00 by express.

**SPECIAL OFFER ON NEW WASHINGTON.** 2 year untransplanted New Washington roots 250 for \$2.50; 500 for \$5.00; 1000 for \$10.00; 2000 for \$18.00 by express. These are all fine roots. Note other catalogues and you will not see many firms offer transplanted roots, but just the grade in this special offer.

### 38—RANSOM'S GIANT HORSERADISH

This new variety makes an enormous yield and is so early that it can be marketed before the common kind is ready; besides the roots are much larger and whiter. The roots sell in market at 5 to 10 cents per pound, and yield as high as 8,000 pounds per acre. It requires about 10,000 sets for an acre, and the crop is ready for the market the first year. It is easy to grow; every plant will live. Net profit \$300.00 to \$600.00 per acre. Try at least 1,000 sets if you cannot plant an acre. It is ready sale in any of the large cities. Price of good roots 30c per dozen; \$1.95 per 100, postpaid; by express, 100 for \$1.75; 500 for \$7.50; 1000 for \$14.00; 2000 for \$24.00; 5000 for \$50.00.

### 39—RHUBARB

**Linnaeus.** Leaf-stalks long, large, tender, juicy, produced quite early. Cellar-grown rhubarb with beautifully pink, tender stalks may be enjoyed in March by anyone who will devote a little time to it. For this crop the plants are grown from spring until fall in very rich soil so as to establish a number packed together with rich soil in some cool, dark cellar. After the crop has been cut, the roots are replanted in the garden to regain their vigor for the next year's forcing. **Our Rhubarb roots are extra choice, none better.** Price 25c each; 5 for \$1.00; doz., \$2.00, postpaid. By express, 25 for \$2.25; for 100 \$8.00.

Genesee, N. Y., May 18, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

I enclose an order for asparagus roots.

The roots I received from you some time ago were the finest I have ever seen. The roots on this order are to fill in places that are vacant in a bed I set out two years ago, from plants purchased from another nursery, which failed to make good.

Yours truly,  
JAMES MACAULAY.

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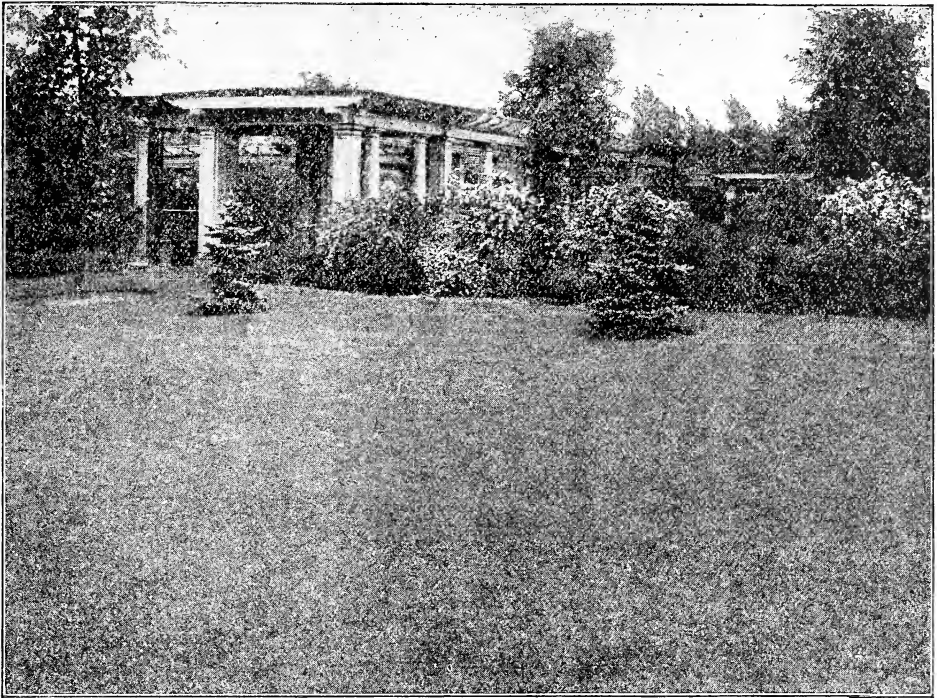
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Lawn and Pergola

## Making a Super Lawn

### The New Bent Grass Surpasses the Finest Old Style Turf

Most lawns have a sign on (Keep Off the Grass) Grass is made to be walked on. What is more restful on a summer day than a velvety cushion of grass. Few of us have this enticing stretch of grass. But such a lawn does not now take long to produce.

The past few years have given us notable discoveries about lawn making. The finest grass for making lawns should contain some of the New Bent grass which comes from Germany. Kentucky Blue grass does not make a good sod the first year but improves in subsequent years. It is apt to become brown in dry weather. Some of the Fescues are extremely valuable. Fine leaved Sheep's Fescue has the narrowest blades. Sweet Vernal grass is odorless and gives a softness to the lawn. White Clover forms a dense ground cover. So in order to get results we must not depend upon one grass alone, but must so mix our varieties that a thick turf is formed not only quickly, but permanently. Chapter 2 of our book Garden Guide contains the most valuable information on lawn making, and every home owner should read it.

### Lawn Seeds

#### 40—RANSOM'S EVERGREEN LAWN MIXTURE

Lawn trouble will be ended if you sow our Evergreen Lawn Mixture. If you want a beautiful lawn that will at all time be green and velvety, don't waste time and money sowing cheap grass seed. Our Evergreen Lawn Mixture is composed of the finest varieties of grasses, each of which has its season of beauty, with the result that a sod is produced that is always green. It will produce a rich and enduring turf in the shortest possible time without the use of cheap "quick growing" grasses. Not only is our Evergreen Lawn Mixture the best lawn mixture obtainable, but in the end it is really the most economical brand to plant. Being free from chaff, and of high germination, one pound will sow 400 square feet. Prices: ½ lb., 30c; 1 lb., 50c; 3 lbs., \$1.40; 5 lbs., \$2.25; 10 lbs. \$4.25 postpaid. By express 25 lbs. \$9.50; 50 lbs., \$18.00; 100 lbs., \$34.00.

#### 41—SHADY NOOK LAWN MIXTURE

On nearly every lawn there are unsightly spots caused by the fact that ordinary varieties of grasses used for lawns do not do well in the shade. Our Shady Nook Mixture is made up of the most expensive fancy grasses which naturally grow in shady spots. Prices: ½ lb., 35c; 1 lb., 60c; 2 lbs., \$1.10; 5 lbs., \$2.50; 10 lbs., \$4.75, postpaid. By express 25 lbs., \$10.50; 50 lbs., \$20.00.

#### 42—PURE WHITE CLOVER

It is often advisable to include a larger proportion of White Clover, especially in poor clay soil. Also for renovating old lawns the Clover will often take hold where other grasses fail. ¼ lb., 25c; 1 lb., 85c; 3 lbs., \$2.25; 5 lbs., \$3.50 postpaid. By express 10 lbs for \$6.00.

Lime, Bonemeal and Sheep Manure  
are the best fertilizers for lawns.

DON'T WASTE TIME, PATIENCE, AND WORK ON CHEAP LAWN MIXTURES



# General List Highest Grade Vegetable Seeds

## Table Beets

Ready for Table in 40 to 60 days. One ounce of seed will sow 50 feet of drill; 5 to 6 lbs. to the acre.

### 43—EARLY ECLIPSE

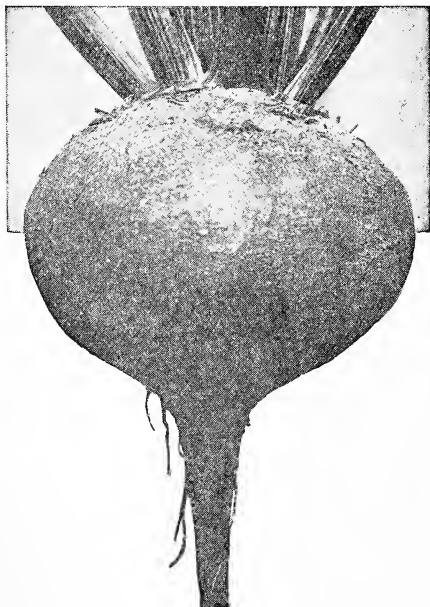
An early Beet especially desirable for the home garden, as they mature through a long period. The tops are small, roots are bright deep red, smooth, round or slightly top-shaped. The flesh is bright red, zoned with pink; very sweet, crisp and tender, especially when young. **Large pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; 1 lb., 80c; 5 lbs., \$3.50; postpaid.**

### 44—CROSBY'S IMPROVED EGYPTIAN

A very superior beet. Of handsome form, good size, few small tops, very small tap root, fine quality, and a rapid grower. The shape is very desirable, not quite so round as the Eclipse. Takes on its turnip shape and looks well in the very early stages of its growth, on which account it is preferred for first crop to the Globe and Half-Long varieties. Being a rapid grower, it may be sown outside as late as July. Skin dark red, flesh somewhat lighter, with a few specimens of light red or pink, all however, are of a fine bright red shade when boiled and equally delicious in flavor. We have made a very fine selection of our stock for years and we believe have it nearer the original Crosby idea than any in the trade. **Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; 1 lb., 80c; 5 lbs., \$3.50; postpaid.**

### 45—DETROIT DARK RED

Best for Home, Market or Canner. Detroit Dark Red Turnip Beet is the finest main-crop all-purpose Beet in cultivation. For the home garden it is especially desirable on account of its exquisite quality, being sweet, tender and fine-grained, without any trace of woodiness or stringy tendency. The rich dark red color makes an attractive dish on your table. Splendid for canning. For Market Gardeners, Detroit Dark Red is the best main crop sort known. It is unusually attractive on the



Beet, Crosby's Egyptian

market, being of perfect globe form. Leaves dark green shaded with red. The tops are small and grow upright. Ready for use in 50 to 55 days. **Large pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; 1 lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$4.50, postpaid.**

### 46—IMPROVED EARLY BLOOD TURNIP

This splendid beet is early, and of extra fine quality. The color is a rich dark red, and shape is globular. It is free from side or fibrous roots, being always smooth. It is excellent for forcing for a main or summer crop, or for use in winter, as it is a good keeper. It always cuts and cooks a rich, dark blood-red; it is tender, sweet and crisp and is in every way the standard sort for the home gardener. Ready for use in 45 days. **Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; 1 lb., \$1.25 postpaid.**

### 47—MIXED BEET SEED

This is a very carefully prepared mixture of best sorts for table use. A small quantity of Mixed Beet seed will supply you with beets throughout the season for table use, canning and storing for winter. **Large pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; 1 lb., 75c, postpaid.**

### 48—SWISS CHARD

**SPINACH BEET OR SUMMER SPINACH.** This fine vegetable gives large returns for little care; it yields a constant crop from July until winter. The leaves of Swiss Chard are used for greens the same as spinach or beet tops; they are equal in quality and easier to prepare than spinach, and far superior to beets. Sow early in spring, in rows 16 inches apart, and thin out to 6 inches apart in the rows. It can be used all summer when spinach is not available. Later the leaves grow very large, with broad, flat, pure white stems, which may be cooked like asparagus or celery or made into very good pickles. Gardeners make good money using Swiss Chard as a catch-crop. It gives quick results. Fine for poultry as green feed or pasture.

**LUCULLUS.**—Stalks very large and thick; pure white. Leaves nicely curled. **Large pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; 1 lb., 75c, postpaid.**

## Mangels and Sugar Beets

**CULTURE.**—Both Mangels and Sugar Beets require deep, well enriched soil. Sow in May or June in rows 18 inches to 2 feet apart and 6 to 8 inches in the row. Young plants may be transplanted to fill up vacancies. As soon as frost occurs, dig the crop. For winter store in cellar or in pits. Sow 5 to 6 pounds per acre.

### 49—GOLDEN TANKARD MANGEL

The flesh is rich deep yellow, differing in this respect from other Mangels, surpassing them in milk producing qualities. Sheep and other stock thrive on this variety. The roots are of large diameter, tapering quickly at bottom, which is quite broad, with only a small tap-root. It yields an enormous bulk on good land. **Oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 15c; 1 lb., 55c; 5 lbs., \$2.25, postpaid.**

### 50—GREAT GIANT OR MAMMOTH LONG RED MANGEL BEET

Decidedly a monstrous size Beet, and of regular shape and quality, nutritious and valuable as a stock food; blood-red color, very smooth and decidedly improved strain of Mangels. Plant from first of April to last of June. A good root crop is essential from which to realize a good profit. **Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 15c; 1 lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.**

### 51—MIXED VARIETIES

Mangels and Sugar Beets. All varieties. **Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 15c; 1 lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.**

Whitesboro, N. Y., Sept. 25, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

I have had garden seeds from your firm, and have found them O. K.

Sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH BLAIR.

# Grow Lots of Beans

Two pounds will plant a row 200 feet long;  
1 to 2 bu. to the acre.

**To Have Beans at Their Best**—Make several successive plantings. As most varieties are ready to pick in 45 to 50 days you can keep planting just as long as there is that much time left before frost. Another good idea is to plant an early and late variety at the same time.

## 52—DWARF GREEN POD BEANS

**BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN POD.** (43 days.) The finest stringless green-podded bean. Early, hardy and productive of large round pods, 5 inches in length. Dark green in color, crisp and tender and of fine flavor. This variety has a long bearing season.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more 25c per lb.

## 53—NEW BOUNTIFUL

**Remarkably Prolific and Continuous Bearer.** This superior variety is a distinct improvement in green bush beans, and has become exceedingly popular wherever known. The plant is of thrifty growth, and practically rust and mildew proof. It is very hardy, extremely early, very prolific, and bears continuously for several weeks; it is the first to give pods fit to pick in the spring, and the last to yield edible pods in the fall. But the crowning merit of this grand Bush Bean is in the rich, green pods, which are of large size, thick, broad, flat, extra long, very uniform in shape, solid, meaty, and of high quality; melting, tender and having a delicious flavor exclusively their own; moreover, the pods are absolutely stringless. In addition, is most excellent shelled for winter use. Ready for picking in 42 days.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 10c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more 23c per lb.

## 54—REFUGEE

(Thousand to One.)—Exceedingly heavy cropper, highly esteemed for late planting. Pods long, cylindrical, light green, of good quality as snaps, mild in flavor, with slight strings.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 10c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 23c per lb.

## 55—DWARF WAX OR BUTTER BEANS

**Improved Golden Wax.** Counted by many to be superior to all others, especially for the home garden. This bean, introduced in 1876 still continues the standard variety for home use. The pods are long, nearly straight, broad, half-round, golden-yellow, very fleshy and wax-like. They cook quickly as snap beans and are of the highest quality. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 25c per lb.

## 56—WARDWELL'S KIDNEY WAX

Strong, upright bush growth, 15 inches in height, very productive. Pods straight, fleshy, 5 inches in length and  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch broad. A rich golden-yellow, tender and quite stringless, even when fully developed; of rich, luscious flavor and exceptionally brittle. A great favorite with market gardeners on account of the large size, handsome appearance and fine quality of the pods. This variety will give you a mess of beans for your table under fair conditions in seven weeks after seed is planted.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 25c per lb.

## 57—IMPROVED PROLIFIC BLACK WAX

**Pencil-Pod Strain.** Pods are long, fleshy, round, wax yellow, solid and tender; early. One of the best for home-gardens.  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 25c per lb.

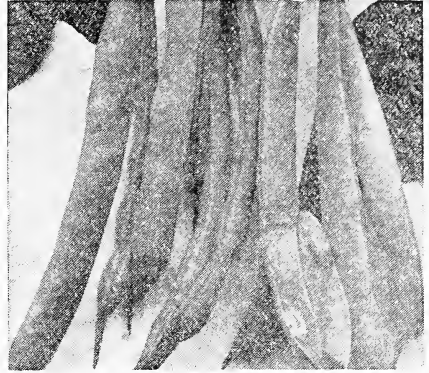
## Pole or Climbing Beans

Pole Beans are much more productive than the bush varieties, and their bearing season is longer—though they require a little more care in handling. Plant a few hills of Pole Beans in your garden this year, you will be amply repaid for your trouble.

In the home-garden plant Sunflowers for poles.

## 58—KENTUCKY WONDER OR OLD HOME-STEAD

It is enormously productive, pods hanging in great clusters from top to bottom of the pole. Pods are 9 to 10 inches long, nearly round and much curved. It is entirely stringless, cooks tender and melting, and always gives perfect satisfaction. Splendid snap bean. The seed is of brown color. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 28c per lb.



Beans, Stringless Green Pod

# LIMA BEANS

## (Dwarf Bush)

One pound will plant 50 to 100 feet of drill

## 59—BURPEE'S IMPROVED

This has uniformly larger pods than the original Burpee's Bush Lima. Beans are thicker and remain green even in the dry stage. The plants are very prolific, bearing pods in clusters of from five to seven. The individual pods average 5 inches long and contain up to six Beans. The Beans are thin-skinned and of delightful flavor. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 30c per lb.

## 60—FORDHOOK

The stiffly erect bushes branch freely and bear tremendous crops. It is ready for use quite early. The Beans are very fat, are closely packed in the pods, shell very easily and remain green a long time. Pods are borne in clusters of from four to six, average 4 to 5 inches long and contain usually four tender Beans of a delightful flavor. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 32c per lb.

## Pole Lima Beans

Lima Beans will not grow until the weather and ground are warm. If planted before, they are almost sure to rot in the ground.

## 61—GIANT-PODDED

The largest-podded Lima in cultivation; extremely vigorous in growth; midseason. Pods measure about 7 inches long by  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches broad and are borne in clusters of six to eight; Beans extra large and of excellent quality. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 30c per lb.

## Baking Varieties

## 62—WHITE KIDNEY

Excellent shell Bean. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.25; 10 lbs., \$2.00 postpaid.

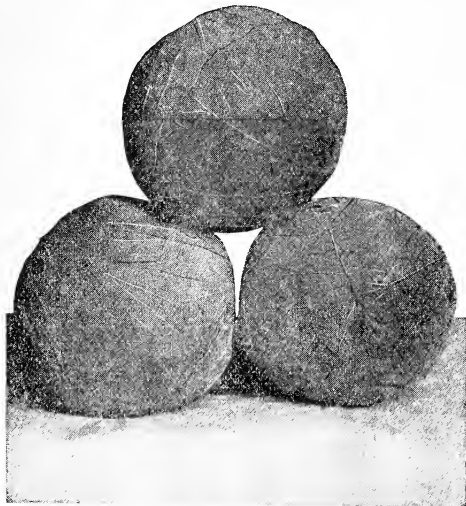
## 63—IMPROVED BOSTON PEA OR NAVY

Choicest Northern grown seed. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 30c; 5 lbs., \$1.25; 10 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.

# CABBAGE

One ounce will produce about 2,000 plants;  $\frac{1}{4}$  pound seed in beds will produce plants for one acre.

Cabbage is too important a crop to take any chances with cheap seed. The very best you can buy is the cheapest. Better cabbage seed than what we offer cannot be found.



Cabbage. Danish Roundhead

## EXTRA EARLY VARIETIES

### 64—COPENHAGEN MARKET

(75 days.) Produces heads similar to Danish Ballhead, weighing from 8 to 10 pounds. A splendid variety for the home gardener or extensive planting. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts.,  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

### 65—EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD

This variety should be grown in every garden. Many market-gardeners consider this the very best early variety. Certainly deserving of its great popularity. Grown extensively for market and shipping. Its merits are many, among which are large heads for an early sort, small outside foliage and uniformity of crop. Pyramidal in shape having a blunted or rounded peak; very sweet. The seed we offer is from the very best growers and is sure to give satisfaction. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 25c; oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00

### 66—EARLY DWARF FLAT DUTCH

Excellent second-early variety, producing fine large heads. Highly valued for its fine quality and ability to resist heat. Heads very solid, broad, round, flattened on top, tender and fine grained. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 75c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

### 67—GLORY OF ENKHUIZEN

This splendid sort is gaining in popularity each year as people learn of its many desirable qualities. It is one of the very earliest, has round, solid white heads of good size, fine ribbed, and is of excellent quality. The outer leaves are globe-shaped, permitting close planting. This is not only a great Cabbage for second early market use, but it is also profitable to raise for fall use. Ready for market in 90 days. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkt s., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; 1 oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

### EAT MORE CABBAGE

Cabbage is rich in Vitamins and contains 160 Calories per pound.

## LATE VARIETIES

### 68—SUREHEAD CABBAGE

This is the surest heading variety in existence. It is always sure to head, producing large, solid, firm heads even in the most unfavorable seasons. Heads large, round and often weigh from 20 to 30 pounds each. Very tender, free from large ribs, never cracks open on top or side of head. Pkt., 5c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 15c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., \$1.75, postpaid.

### 69—PREMIUM LATE FLAT DUTCH

As a variety for winter market it has no superior. Heads large, bluish green, round, solid, broad and flat on top, and often tinted with reddish brown after being touched with frost; they open white and crisp, are tender and well flavored. It is a fall and winter variety, and one of the very best to keep. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 75c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

### 70—DANISH "ROUNDHEAD"

**Type of the Famous Short-Stemmed Danish "Ball-Head" Cabbage.**—Although of very robust growth, has rather less outer leaves than the original strain of Danish Ballhead, and many growers consider it better to resist blight. In fact it is as vigorous in growth as the best American varieties. The heads are fully as large and even heavier and of equally good quality, maturing a few days earlier. Heads are beautiful white when trimmed and keep fully as well when stored.

Danish Roundhead is ready for market in 115 days. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

### 71—MAMMOTH ROCK RED

This is the largest of the red Cabbages and a sure header. Heads round, very solid, weighing 8 to 12 lbs., and an attractive red color extending to the center of the head. A very hardy variety, making it a valuable sort for the home garden, market or pickling. Ready for market in about 110 days. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

### 72—EARLIEST OF ALL, SAVOY

Forms medium sized, very solid heads, with leaves finely crimped. Without question the earliest and finest Savoy; its fine appearance and delicate sweet flavor is unexcelled. A fine salad cabbage of equal value to the market gardener and private garden. Pkt., 10c; oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.10; lb., \$3.75, postpaid.



Cabbage. Early Jersey Wakefield

OUR STRAINS OF CABBAGE ARE UNEXCELLED

## Carrots

There is a great variation in the strain of Carrot Seed offered and it will pay you to buy stocks that are true to type in shape and color. Our trial ground tests showed our stocks to run remarkably even, roots being smooth and of rich color. Carrots are so easy to grow, may be used in so many ways, and keep so well in the cellar during the winter that every home garden should have at least a few rows.

**CULTURE.** It is best to sow as early in the spring as the ground is fit to work, though good crops may be grown from sowing as late as June 15th. Prepare the ground thoroughly and sow in drills 12 to 24 inches apart, using from 4 to 5 pounds to the acre. It is necessary to sow Carrots quite thickly. Sowing a few quick germinating seeds with the carrot, as Lettuce or Radish, is a help in cultivating the rows.

Cover  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch deep and firm the soil well around the seeds. Keep the weeds back and thin the plants later to 3 or 4 inches apart. On heavy and hard soils, plant the shorter and earlier varieties for satisfactory results. One ounce will sow a row 100 feet long. 4 pounds sow one acre.

### 73—EARLY CHANTENAY

Ready within sixty days after seeds are sown. One of the very choicest for the home garden, of very delicate flavor. Comparatively small tops permit of close planting. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

### 74—DANVERS HALF LONG

In shape, it is almost cylindrical, tapering to a blunt point. The roots grow from 8 to 10 inches long, averaging 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter. They are smooth and of handsome, orange red color. For a main crop, it has no superior. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 12c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 75—OXHEART OR GUARANEE

Intermediate length; is 3 to 5 inches in diameter; quality extra good. Some sorts require digging but the Oxheart can be easily pulled. It is especially adapted to shallow soils where the longer sorts would not thrive as well. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 12c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 76—NEW RED GIANT

Those who have tried Red Giant tell of the enormous size it grows on mellow soil, often weighing 3 or 4 pounds each; also of the tender flesh which cooks up without a hard, stringy core. In a nutshell, the facts are: Red Giant is actually a giant in size—is of excellent quality to eat, and of good appearance. Red Giant will give you more edible carrots per foot or per acre occupied than any other existing variety. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

### CARROTS FOR STOCK

**BEST FOR HORSES.** Carrots are very valuable for all kinds of domestic animals and best for horses. When fed alternately with oats to work-teams on the farm, the value of Carrots is equal to the Oats they displace.

### 78—MASTODON OR WHITE INTERMEDIATE

Heaviest cropping Carrot. Roots short, white, very heavy at shoulder, easy to harvest without breaking. One of the most profitable sorts. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 85c; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

### 79—CARROT MIXTURE

This great mixture contains all the different varieties we offer, including all shapes, colors and sizes. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 75c., postpaid.

## Crisp Tender Celery

### 80—GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING

The best celery in cultivation and the most profitable for market and family use. Heart is large, solid, golden yellow in color, and of delicious flavor. It will turn to maturity to a yellowish white without banking, but like all other celeries is improved by having some soil brought up to the stalks. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 25c; oz., 40c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 81—GIANT PASCAL

Broad thick, solid, cream-colored stalks of handsome appearance which are entirely stringless, crisp and tender. For January and February use is undoubtedly unexcelled. It is a good shipping variety, free from rust or rot. Pkt., 5c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.

EMPEROR CELERY, See page 4.

### 82—WHITE PLUME

We offer a very fine strain which is the earliest and most easily blanched of any Celery in cultivation. It grows rapidly, being easily blanched through the summer months but is not as long keeper as some sorts. Matures about 110 days. Pkt., 5c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

### 83—CELERY MIXTURE

This mixture contains a splendid selection of all the leading and most valuable varieties in cultivation, and will certainly give the greatest possible satisfaction. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 50c, postpaid.

### 84—CELERIAC

Turnip-rooted Celery. The large, solid, turnip-like roots are highly esteemed for serving like parsnips or turnips or flavoring soups, etc. For winter and spring use, store same as turnips or beets. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; postpaid.

## Cauliflower

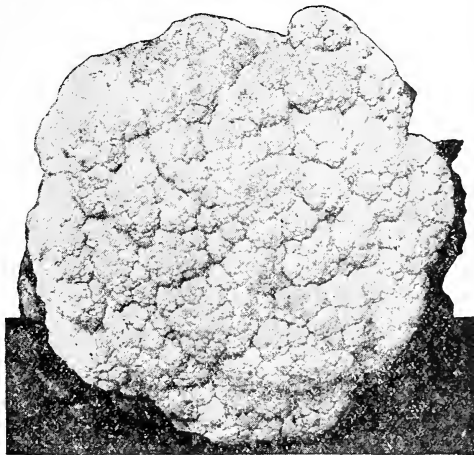
**CULTURE.** Start plants in frame or seed beds, or for early plants start in hot bed. Transplant as soon as large enough to handle. Set the plants two to three feet apart each way. One ounce of seed will produce from 3,000 to 4,000 plants.

### 85—EARLY SNOWBALL

You will welcome this strain as one on which you can depend absolutely. It is the best in existence. Snowball is the earliest and best for the home gardener who has rich, moist soil, for market and for the greenhouse grower. The plants are compact, few outer leaves, heads solid, medium large and snowy white. In selecting this certain Danish strain we made sure that it would answer the requirements of the most critical gardener. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.40; oz., \$2.50;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$7.00; lb., \$20.00, postpaid.

### 86—DANISH GIANT OR DRY WEATHER

Later than Snowball but of greater heat resistance. For this reason it is particularly adapted to sections too dry and too hot for earlier sorts. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 60c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.00; oz., \$1.75;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$6.00, postpaid.



Cauliflower. Early Snowball

# Northern Grown Sweet Corn

Do You Know Why Home Grown Sweet Corn  
Always Tastes Best ?

Sweet Corn is the home garden crop. Scientists say the sugar content of such a variety as Stowell's Evergreen is 5 per cent; and within thirty minutes after it has been picked, this percentage will begin to decrease through chemical action. Only the home gardener, therefore, can enjoy it at its best, this greatest of American table delicacies. Sweet Corn may be sown earlier than field corn. May 1 is usually safe in the latitude of New York and Chicago. Fertilizer will give a good start and an early harvest. A pound of Sweet Corn contains about 2,000 grains. Twelve to 16 pounds will plant an acre.

## 87—GOLDEN BANTAM

Golden Bantam is a dwarf growing early variety. The plants attain a height of three or four feet, usually bearing two or more ears from five to six inches long to a stalk. These ears are compactly filled with kernels which, when ready for the table, are a cream-yellow, so deliciously sweet, tender and milky that some people claim that "it is the sweetest corn on earth." Golden Bantam is suited for extra early and later plantings up to July 15th. For market and home garden. Ready to use in 70 days. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 25c per lb.

## 88—EXTRA EARLY, WHITE CORY

The great popularity of this early Sweet Corn is due to the fact that it was successfully bred for three important qualities—Earliness, Size, Sweetness. The ears are 12-rowed, 7 inches long, white-cobbed and covered with very large white grains of good quality. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.60; postpaid. By express 27c per lb.

## 89—HOWLING MOB

One of the best-flavored and tender of all medium-early white Sweet Corn. The ears are 7 to 8 inches long, with 12 to 14 rows of pure white grains. Very productive. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.60, postpaid. By express 27c per lb.

## 90—BLACK MEXICAN

By many considered the tenderest and sweetest of all. Cooks pure white while young and tender, turning to bluish-black when ripe. Ripens medium early. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50 postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

## 91—STOWELL'S EVERGREEN

The Standard Main Crop Variety. Western Reserve grown, carefully selected. Considered everywhere as the standard main crop variety of sweet corn for market and home use. The strong, vigorous stalks grow 6 to 7 feet high, and produce ears 8 inches long which have 16 or more rows of the finest sugary grains. The reputation of this variety for productiveness is well and long established, and the fine, rich flavor and sweetness of the deep-set, tender, white grains have made it a great and popular favorite. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 22c per lb.

## Gather Corn Daily From June to October

We Offer the Four Most Satisfactory  
Sorts in a Special "Collection"

The following four varieties are included in the assortment:

**GOLDEN BANTAM**  
**STOWELL'S EVERGREEN**  
**GOLDEN GIANT** (see page 4)  
**EARLY MAYFLOWER** (see page 4)

We suggest that sowings of each of these varieties be made every two weeks from May 10 to July 15. This will ensure a continuous supply of delicious Sweet Corn from the latter part of June through until frost.

**COLLECTIONS.** One pkt. each of the above varieties, 35c postpaid.

$\frac{1}{2}$  lb. each of the above varieties, 70c.

1 lb. each of the above varieties, \$1.35.

5 lbs. each of the above varieties, \$6.25 postpaid.

## 93—SWEET FODDER CORN

There is nothing better for summer and fall green feed or for curing for winter than Sweet Corn. Being sweet and palatable, cattle eat every part of the stalks and leaves. Always a great favorite with dairy farmers, and excellent for soiling. Can be planted as other corn or sown thickly in drills or broadcast. Sow  $\frac{1}{2}$  bushel per acre in drills, 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  bushels broadcast. Pkt., 10c; lb., 25c; 3 lbs., 60c postpaid. By express 10 lbs., or more, 15c per lb.

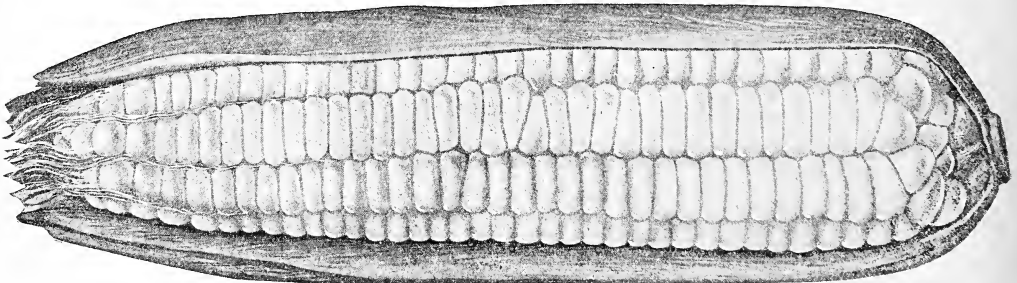
## POP CORN—A Real Money Crop

### 94—QUEEN'S GOLDEN

The Largest of all Grains. This surpasses all others in size and color. It pops perfectly white, expanding nearly one inch. Matures in about 130 days. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 23c per lb.

### 95—NEW TOM THUMB

Known as Japanese Hulless and Dwarf Baby Rice. New Tom Thumb is a heavy yielder of attractive ears, peculiar in form, being nearly as thick as long. The kernels are similar to the best strains of White Rice, only longer and slimmer and pearly white in color, but its crowning merit lies in its popping quality, fine flavor and absence of hull or shell. Most tender and delicious flavor, without any hard particles. The stalks grow about 5 feet high, and bear two or three perfect ears each, which are matured in about 130 days. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express 23c., per lb. |



Golden Bantam

# Cucumbers

## Do You Like Cool Sliced Cucumbers in Hot Weather?

When you can go out in your garden and pick a few nice slicers just before meal time, they taste ever so much better than those found in the market in more or less wilted condition. Plant a hill of cucumbers wherever there is room. The more you gather the more the vines will bear. Pick your cucumbers as soon as they reach edible size. One ounce of seed will plant about 50 hills; 1 to 2 pounds to the acre.

### 100—RANSOM'S EARLY WHITE SPINE

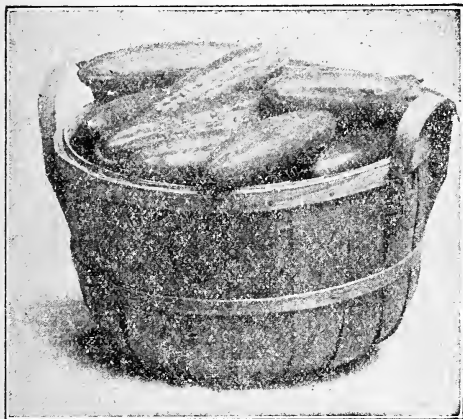
(55 days.) One of the best sorts for table use. The vines are vigorous, fruiting early and abundantly. The fruits are uniformly straight, dark green, fairly well covered with white spines, and when mature are usually about seven inches in length. The flesh is crisp, tender and of excellent quality. This variety is much used for the home garden and market. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 101—KLONDIKE

A white spine variety, excellent for shipping. Medium early, dark green, about 7 inches long. The fruits are thick at the stem end, very attractive in appearance, retaining color and crispness a long time. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 102—MIXED CUCUMBER SEED

We often have inquiries for Mixed Cucumber Seed from those who wish to use the crop themselves, either for pickling or slicing. This mixture is made up of first-class varieties. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c, oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.



Cucumbers. Davis Perfect

### 96—CHICAGO OR WESTERFIELD PICKLING

(65 days.) A very prolific variety, combining all the qualities desired by those who raise cucumbers for commercial pickles. Fruits are of uniform size and good color. Used almost exclusively by all the large pickling houses. Ready for market in 65 days. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.50 postpaid.

### 97—DAVIS PERFECT

By using this variety gardeners can produce Cucumbers outdoors that will sell in the market for hot-house forcing varieties. The shape is ideal, tapering at both ends, as shown in our illustration. It is almost seedless, and the few seeds when in eating condition are so small and tender that they are hardly noticeable. Most important of all it does not lose its dark, rich color when grown outdoors. Grows a fine pickle. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 98—EARLY FORTUNE

(52 days.) For a good all-round cucumber this distinctive variety is the finest yet introduced. The rich dark green fruits when matured at the slicing stage average 7½ to 8 inches in length and retain their color for a remarkably long time. The flesh is firm, with a small seed cavity, making it a good shipping and market sort. As a pickling sort it is equally as good, producing an enormous quantity of uniform well shaped pickles. The vine growth is very vigorous and the leaves, which are larger than those of other sorts, are very resistant to disease. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

### 99—RANSOM'S IMPROVED LONG GREEN

This fine cucumber grows from 12 to 16 inches or more in length, and is of superior quality. The young fruits are very largely used for pickling, and it is a standard sort for that purpose. Full sized cucumbers are in high favor for making the so-called sweet pickles. Vines are strong growers and the fruit is always produced in great abundance. Produces large pickles in 65 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

### TESTIMONIALS

Framingham, Mass., Feb. 21, 1924.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Please send me your 1924 catalogue. The seeds and strawberries I received from you last year were very satisfactory.

Thanking you,

T. A. R. KITSON.

Berlin Heights, Ohio, June 15, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

As my husband has been so well pleased with seeds from your firm, and we find ourselves in need of the following, we are asking you to mail soon as possible the enclosed order.

Yours truly,

MRS. D. E. STONE.

Indian Fields, Ky., Oct. 13, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

I have just received the collection of 50 Iris as offered in your Iris booklet, and I must say never received flowers packed so nicely, in such good condition, and such plants. Most of them were clumps, and for 5c each.

If the varieties prove as beautiful and good as the plants look now it will be my greatest pleasure to tell my friends of your firm.

Yours truly,

MRS. STANLEY CLAY.

Cabin John, Md., Sept. 30, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Will be glad to receive your fall catalogue. Found satisfaction in my spring order as great as season allowed which was very poor.

Respectfully,

MRS. JOHN R. LANTZ.

Warren, Penna., May 1, 1925.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

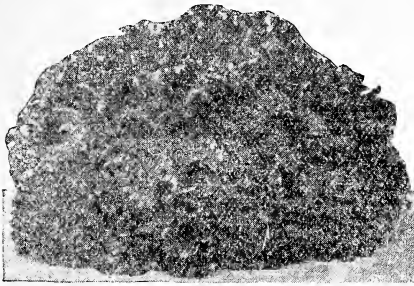
My last order arrived in good shape, and I thank you for the fair treatment you have given me. Did not think I would receive such generous favor. Please send out enclosed order.

Very respectfully,

LYMAN W. MARSH



# Lettuce



Lettuce. Grand Rapids

## 103—GRAND RAPIDS

(40 days.) Of highest merit as a forcing variety. Owing to its peculiar upright habit of growth, it economizes in bench room, and in a short time produces a mass of beautifully frilled leaves of quality for the table or for shipping. It is also an attractive and desirable variety for growing outside in the home garden. We have an excellent strain of seed of this variety, which is proving very satisfactory to our customers. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

## 104—BLACK SEEDED SIMPSON

(40 days.) The best known and probably the most largely planted of any variety. Early, hardy, dependable, it is a favorite with gardeners, both for planting outside or for growing under glass. The leaves are large, light green, quite crimped throughout, but especially frilled at the border. They grow compactly without forming a distinct head, are of firm texture and of good quality, either for family use or for shipping. Can be planted later than most sorts, as its vigorous growth enables it to withstand the summer heat. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 35c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

## 105—NEW YORK OR WONDERFUL

This is the largest of all head lettuce, forming crisp heads often weighing two pounds. It matures slowly, first forming a conical head which becomes globular with maturity. It

is of excellent quality, very sweet, and stands the hot weather well. Because of its size it must be given plenty of room between plants. This variety is known in some sections as Los Angeles. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

## 106—WAYAHEAD

In our trials Wayahead has proved to be the very earliest head lettuce—nor does it lose anything in size because of its earliness, for it averages fully as large as the later varieties. The light green leaves are tightly folded, making firm, compact, solid heads that blanch to a rich buttery crispness. The golden yellow hearts are exceedingly tender, brittle and sweet. Wayahead is one of the surest to head of all varieties and does well early or late, in greenhouse, cold frame, or open ground. Try it. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 60c; lb., \$2.00, postpaid.

## 107—BIG BOSTON

(45 days.) A splendid lettuce for market gardeners, either north or south. Leaves are light green, nearly smooth except the outside edges, which are somewhat ruffled. Forms large and very compact heads that are especially suitable for shipping, for which purpose it is planted very largely in the south for the northern market. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.10, postpaid.

## 108—MIXED LETTUCE

All kinds mixed. If not sown too thickly, will make a continuous crop. Our mixture includes the best early and late varieties, of curly leaf as well as head lettuce. Fine for the home garden. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c, postpaid.

Erie, Pa., May 15, 1925

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
 Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Consider we have received the finest kind of service from your firm and can surely recommend you for the most courteous treatment of your patrons. Beg to remain.

Respectfully,  
 MRS. ARABELLE CHAMBERS

# Onions

We make onions one of our specialties, and our onion seed is grown from selected bulbs only. Vitality critically tested before sent out, and will produce from five to eight hundred bushels of fine, large, handsome onions to the acre. Take no chance on cheap, doubtful seed, but buy from us and get the best that grow.

One ounce will sow 100 feet of drill; four to five pounds per acre for large onions, 50 to 60 lbs. for sets.

## 109—RANSOM'S SELECTED OHIO YELLOW GLOBE

The finest, largest and best onion of the yellow sorts. Form globular, of a beautiful golden yellow color, mild flavor, large size and an excellent keeper. Will yield 800 bushels to the acre. Seeds are all grown from selected bulbs. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 60c; lb., \$2.00; 5 lbs., \$9.00, postpaid.

Bucyrus, O., April 28, 1925.

Gentlemen:

The strawberry plants which I ordered from you arrived in good shape, and I am very much pleased.

Yours truly  
 A. C. LUST.

## 110—LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD

(100 days.) This is a standard variety in the East. Makes a large sized flat onion, deep purplish red in color. The flesh is a purplish white, moderately fine grained and strongly flavored. For markets demanding a red onion this is the variety to grow, as it matures early and is productive. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 60c; lb., \$2.00; 5 lbs. or more at \$1.75 per lb. postpaid.

## 111—MAMMOTH PRIZE TAKER

This is the large, beautiful Spanish onion that is offered for sale in the fruit stores and in the markets of all large cities. They are of enormous size averaging from fourteen to sixteen inches in circumference. Although of such great size, they are very hardy and a very good winter keeper. The outside skin is of a rich yellow color, while the flesh is white, sweet and tender. In market it attracts marked attention and sells readily at high prices. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 70c; lb., \$2.25; 5 lbs., \$10.00, postpaid.

## 112—MAMMOTH SILVER KING

This is one of the largest onions in cultivation. It is of uniform size and fine shape, being flattened but thick. Skin is a beautiful silvery white, flesh snowy and tender, of a mild sweet flavor. This is a fine onion for the fancy market, as well as for the home table. Pkt., 10c; oz., 45c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.10; lb., \$3.50.



**113—EARLY WHITE WELSH**

(For Green Onions). A most desirable green bunch Onion. It does not form bulbs, only scallions or enlargements at the base of each shoot, which are quite attractive and, being extremely early, sell well before Onions grown from sets are brought to the market. We recommend this variety very much and know market gardeners will find it an exceedingly profitable crop. A hardy perennial can remain in the ground for years. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

**114—RANSOM'S GREAT ONION MIXTURE**

All who sow a small quantity of onion seed in a garden for home use will do well to order this mixture. We have included all the early, medium and late sorts, which will produce an abundance of onions of all colors, shapes and sizes, many being giants. Wonderful results have been obtained from this great mixture. Pkt., 5c; oz., 12c; ¼ lb., 40c; ½ lb., 75c; lb., \$1.35, postpaid.

**Green Fleshed**

Each packet contains enough seed to plant 10 to 15 hills. 2 to 3 pounds will plant one acre in hills. One ounce will plant 60 hills.

**115—ROCKY FORD**

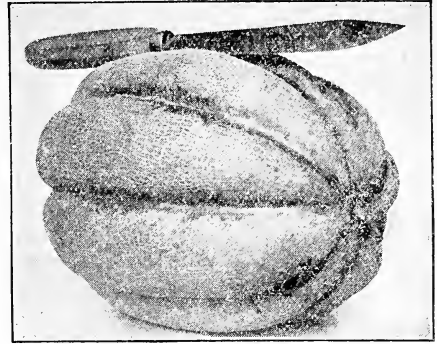
(70 days.) Nearly every leading hotel and restaurant in America uses large quantities of this famous melon, which is just the right size to serve in halves. The ripe melons are beautifully netted and ribbed. Solid green flesh, sweet and melting. We offer a splendid strain of seed of this fine melon, grown for us at Rocky Ford, Colo., saved from specimens that were especially selected for seed purposes. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 2 lbs., \$2.30; 5 lbs., \$5.30, postpaid.

**116—EMERALD GEM**

Well known and has long been acknowledged the most delicious in flavor. It is one of the earliest to ripen and while too soft to stand shipping, it is unequalled for home use or nearby markets. Vines of strong, vigorous growth and very prolific. The melons average from four to five inches in diameter. The skin is a rich, deep emerald-green. Flesh is very thick, with thin rind and small seed cavity crystalline in appearance, and of a rich salmon color. Ripe melons in 70 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 2 lbs., \$2.75; 5 lbs., \$6.25, postpaid.

**117—HONEY DEW**

A distinct variety, perfectly smooth-skinned, and white until ripe, when it changes to a light cream. They are about 9 to 10 inches in diameter. They are very late. Widely used as a shipping variety, and when properly stored, will keep for months. Pkt., 10c; 2 pkts., 15c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.75; 2 lbs., \$3.25; 5 lbs., \$7.50, postpaid.



Muskmelon. Tip-Top

**Muskmelon**

**Yellow Fleshed**

**118—OSAGE**

(Miller's Cream.) A favorite salmon-fleshed variety. Large, oval, slightly ribbed and netted; skin is very dark green. Flesh is very thick and sweet flavored, most delicious to the rind. The whole crop is very even and fruit extra heavy. A great favorite for market purposes and home-garden. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 2 lbs., \$2.75; 5 lbs., \$6.25, postpaid.

**119—EXTRA EARLY OSAGE**

(65 days.) This melon is of splendid quality; it is fully a week earlier than the Osage, the fruit is more nearly round and more heavily netted. Thick salmon flesh, small seed cavity, delicious flavor. We consider it one of the finest melons offered, and advise all who plant melons to try it. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50; 2 lbs., \$4.50; 5 lbs., \$10.00, postpaid.

**120—IRONDEQUOIT**

This is one of the very best melons we know of. The fruit is large, often weighing 8 to 10 pounds; nearly round, well netted and light green. The flesh is deep orange color; thick, very sweet and of high flavor. We know of no finer flavored large melon. They ripen medium early and the vines are healthy and produce lots of good big melons. This melon resembles the Bender's Surprise but the flesh is less firm and the melons will not keep as long after picking. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 80c; lb., \$3.00; 2 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

**121—TIP TOP**

Tip Top in quality, appearance and productiveness. Every melon produced, whether big or little, early or late is a good one—sweet, juicy, fine flavored, firm-fleshed and eatable to the rind. Fruit of large size, yellow, slightly oblong, evenly ribbed, moderately netted. Flesh, an attractive salmon color. It is very productive. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 60c; ½ lb., 90c; lb., \$1.50; 2 lbs., \$2.80; 5 lbs., \$6.40, postpaid.

**122—MUSKMELON, GOLDEN HEARTS**

Here is a melon to make your mouth water, the deep golden salmon flesh is so sweet. The melon is medium small, the size in much demand for the fancy hotel trade, averaging 5-6 inches in diameter, yet heavy because of the thick flesh and small seed cavity. It ripens right down to the rind—so you can eat almost the whole melon. Often there will be as many as twelve melons to the vine, and they run remarkably uniform in size, shape and quality. Fruit ribbed and protected with a heavy netting. Ready to eat about a week before select early Osage. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$3.00 postpaid.

**123—MIXED MUSKMELONS**

This is a splendid mixture of green, orange, and salmon-fleshed varieties, maturing from the very earliest to the late varieties. By planting this mixture one is sure to produce some melons that are suited to their climate. Excellent assortment for the home garden. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

**FREE 25c COUPON 25c FREE**

We want to become better acquainted with the seed buyers throughout the country. Of course there are some who do not know of us, at least do not get our catalogue, and these we want to become better acquainted with.

It is expensive to advertise no matter how it is done, and you might as well receive the benefit of this cost to us. If you will write on a separate sheet of paper the names and addresses of five friends whom you think are interested in good seeds and would like our catalogue but do not get it, we will give you five of any of the 5c or 10c packages of garden or flower seeds listed in our catalogue, your selection, absolutely free, postpaid, if sent in with an order for vegetable or flower seeds amounting to \$1.00. Simply ask for free coupon seeds when sending in your order. This does not apply to collections.

# Watermelon

One ounce will plant 20 to 30 hills; 4 to 5 pounds will plant one acre

## 124—TOM WATSON

(90 days.) One of the most popular of all Melons. Very largely grown for market. A long green variety of large size, and very heavy; flesh bright red and of excellent quality. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 2 lbs., \$1.85; 5 lbs., \$4.25, postpaid.

## 125—IRISH GREY

Irish Grey is a long melon, rather large in size and ranks high with leading shippers. The rind is yellowish light green in color, the seed is white and its average weight is 25 pounds. Eating qualities exceptionally good. We especially recommend Irish Grey, because its ability to stand shipping is fully equal to the Tom Watson.

The red flesh is unusually sweet, free from hard centers or stringiness, very firm and compact and does not break when sliced. It ripens in about 90 days and stays in good condition for a long period; withstands long shipping. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 2 lbs., \$2.30; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 126—COLE'S EARLY

Decidedly the finest variety for the private garden, but too brittle for long shipments. It is very early and will mature farther north than most other sorts. Flesh of bright red color, of granulated, sparkling appearance. In flavor lusciously sweet and refreshing. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.00; 2 lbs., \$1.85; 5 lbs., \$4.25, postpaid.

## 127—HALBERT HONEY

(85 days.) Growing as long and big as the Kleckley Sweets, these melons are blunt at both stem and blossom end. They average 18 to 20 inches in length; 6 to 8 inches in diameter. Color of rind a clear, glossy deep green. The flesh is a beautiful crimson, extending to within less than half an inch of the rind, which, like the flesh, is so tender it will not stand shipping any distance. It is essentially the melon for the home garden and for local markets. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.00; 2 lbs., \$1.85; 5 lbs., \$4.25, postpaid.

## 128—SWEETHEART

(90 days.) A light green Melon, slightly mottled, nearly round in shape. Very thin rind, bright red flesh, fine grained and very sweet. Ripens down close to the rind. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 90c; 2 lbs., \$1.60; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

## 129—KLECKLEY'S SWEET

(70 days.) While the skin is perhaps too thin to admit of the melons being shipped great distances, it is most desirable to plant for home use or local markets. The melons themselves are very large, oblong in form, with dark green skin, thin rind, which is very brittle, flesh is bright scarlet, with solid heart, and deliciously crisp. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 2 lbs., \$1.85; 5 lbs., \$4.25, postpaid.



Yellow Field

## 130—ICE CREAM OR PEERLESS

A white seeded early variety of exceptional merit. Has oblong shape and a very thin rind of a light green color. A very prolific variety, not adapted for shipping, but fine for home or nearby markets.

The vines are vigorous, hardy and productive. Flesh is bright scarlet, crisp and exceedingly sweet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 2 lbs., \$2.30; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 131—RED SEEDED CITRON

The fruits are perfectly round, striped alternately dark and light green. It is not edible, but is used entirely for preserves and pickles. The flesh is white, hard, and the vines are enormously productive. Makes deliciously rich preserves.

The seed is red. Matures late in the fall, requiring about 95 days. Will keep for long periods. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

## 132—RANSOM'S WATERMELON MIXTURE

Comprises all varieties we list, Early, Medium Early, Medium Late and Late. For a small garden, it makes an ideal planting arrangement for a continuous succession or summer's supply. Only seed of the highest type taken from stocks of our named varieties are used. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

## 132½—HYBRIDIZED POTATO SEED

POTATOES—50 New Varieties can positively be grown from one Packet of Hybridized Potato Seeds. Every hill will be different. All colors, shapes and sizes. May be worth a gold mine. Don't miss these rarest and most wonderful of Seeds. Packet, with Directions, 15c; 4 for 50c; 10 for \$1.00, postpaid.

# Pumpkins

## 133—SMALL SWEET, OR SUGAR

This is the small, sweet Pumpkin that has made the New England States famous for their Pumpkin pies. It is a very fine-grained, most deliciously sweet-flavored sort. Splendid keeper. They average about 10 inches in diameter of deep orange-yellow color. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 90c, postpaid.

## 134—JUMBO, OR KING OF THE MAMMOTHS

(90 days.) The giant among pumpkins; specimens have been grown to weigh 250 lbs., and reaching two feet or more in diameter. Fruit round and flattened, slightly ribbed; skin salmon orange, flesh bright yellow and very thick. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

## 135—COMMON YELLOW FIELD

Yankee Cow or Connecticut Field. The common Yellow Field Pumpkin so very largely cultivated by farmers for stock-feeding, and used some for canning; very productive. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

## 136—RANSOM'S SURPRISE MIXTURE

This is a special mixture containing a wonderful collection of the different kinds of pumpkins, many we do not offer separately. You can grow a great lot of pumpkins of all the odd-shaped and mammoth-sized if you plant a little of this seed. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

# Tender, Sugary Peas

## Northern-Grown Hand Picked

Two pounds sow 100 feet row; 1½ bushels will sow an acre. **Have Peas from your own Garden**—Picked only an hour or two before eating are twice as sweet as those that have been in a store for a day or two. That is a proven fact. Peas produce early—they make your garden begin to pay quick. They do well on any fair garden soil—easy to tend, requiring little attention, and everybody likes sweet fresh peas. Plant both early and late varieties so that there will always be plenty to fill the basket.

### 137—EXTRA EARLY ALASKA

The Alaska is the earliest of all peas, is the most prolific and good flavored of all the early peas. The Alaska is from two days to a week earlier than any other pea. A good pea for market gardeners. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 138—BLISS AMERICAN WONDER

(55 days.) The earliest of the dwarf wrinkled varieties. The vines are about nine to twelve inches high and produce a good crop of well-filled pods of medium size, about two and five-eighths to two and three-fourths inches long, containing five to eight large peas, which are exceedingly sweet, tender and well flavored. Seed medium size, generally flattened, wrinkled and pale green. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 139—NOTT'S EXCELSIOR

This is one of the very best extra early peas, as early as American Wonder and is first class in every respect. Our customers have had it for table use 45 days after planting with the most ordinary cultivation. Grows to uniform size, about a foot high; are always very tender and of fine quality. This is a splendid early wrinkled variety to grow. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 140—GIANT LAXTONIAN

The New Dwarf Pea. Height about 16 inches. This is the largest podded early dwarf pea in existence, requiring no supports. Pods are as large as Telephone, well filled with 8 to 10 large peas of delicious flavor. It is a true Marrowfat Pea, having the richness and unsurpassing quality of the best late Marrowfat varieties. The vines are vigorous, producing heavy crops. Pkt., 15c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 30c per lb.

### 141—LITTLE MARVEL

A new dwarf first-early pea of unusual value. But recently on the market. The demand among market gardeners for this variety is already enormous. The vines average 15 inches in height, and the pods 2½ inches in length, frequently borne in pairs. The pods contain from 6 to 7 large dark green peas which remain in good eatable shape a week later than most other varieties. This variety is as early as Nott's Excelsior or American Wonder, but produces a much larger pod. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 142—THOMAS LAXTON

This is a fine new Early Wrinkled Pea and somewhat resembles Gradus or Prosperity, but the pods are a deeper and richer green. It is about as early as the First of All. Pods contain seven or eight very large peas of the richest flavor. It grows about three feet high and as a first early we consider it one of the very best; all who grow this variety will be greatly pleased with it. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 25c; lb., 40c; 5 lbs., \$1.75, postpaid. By express, 27c per lb.

INOCULATE YOUR PEAS WITH  
HUMOGERM 25c Postpaid.

### 143—GRADUS OR PROSPERITY

An Extra Early Wrinkled Pea of Superb Quality. About 2½ feet high. This remarkable Pea has steadily grown in popular favor until today it is one of the most widely known varieties in cultivation. The reason is that it produces a Telephone Pod nearly as early as Alaska. The vine is of vigorous growth, the pods are borne abundantly, and are so large and fine that the basket fills surprisingly fast. As many as 8 to 10 peas of the largest size and most luscious quality are found in each pod. Ready for market in 55 days. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 144—CHAMPION OF ENGLAND

Height about 4 to 5 feet. One of the oldest and best in cultivation. Is esteemed for good quality and productiveness. Pods of good size, handsome and well filled, produced in great abundance. Peas are of large size and delicious flavor, 6 to 9 to the pod. Cannot be over-praised as a standard late sort. Pkt., 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### 145—TELEPHONE

A Leader with Market Gardeners. Height 3½ to 4 feet. Profitable main crop sort known to everybody. Pods of good size, well filled with large peas of rich, sweet flavor. In quality the Telephone is hard to beat. A sure cropper. Seed large, green, wrinkled. Our strain of Telephone is very fine. In the Northern States, Telephone Peas planted about July 1st, 3 to 4 inches deep, will bear until hard frost. Pkt. 10c; ½ lb., 20c; lb., 35c; 5 lbs., \$1.50, postpaid. By express, 25c per lb.

### TESTIMONIALS

Albion, Penna., May 2, 1925

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.  
Gentlemen:

The strawberry plants came O. K. Were pleased with them so will tell others about you. Here's hoping for your continued success. From a satisfied customer.

LEWIS EVERWINE,

V. V. LOWE  
BERRY FARM  
Buckley Road., North Syracuse, N. York.

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.  
Gentlemen:

Last year I purchased 1,000 Concord grapes from you and am very much pleased with their growth this year.

Will you kindly quote me your lowest cash price for another 1,000. Thanking you in advance, I am,

Yours very truly,  
V. V. LOWE



# Crisp Radishes

## Spring, Summer and Winter Sorts

One ounce of seed will sow 100 feet of drill; 8 to 10 pounds will plant an acre.

### RADISH SEED QUALITY

There are two kinds of Radish Seed. One will produce good crisp roots; the other will run to tops. Our seed has been carefully selected for its root forming quality and will give you crisp, sparkling roots.

### 146—CRIMSON GIANT

(35 days.) This we consider the greatest new radish in the last ten years. It is of American origin. It is an early radish, looking much like the old Early Scarlet Globe, but more perfect in shape and color. It comes as early as any radish, but the amazing thing about it is that it keeps on growing and remains tender, solid and sweet, till it gets as large as a teacup or larger. Just imagine the nicest Scarlet Globe Radish you ever saw, deep red outside and pure white inside, fine flavor, and as large as a teacup, and you will have a good idea of it. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 147—EARLY SCARLET GLOBE

(20 days.) For forcing and for garden culture. This Radish has a remarkable ability to bear the heat necessary for rapid growth without becoming pithy or losing flavor. It is very early, and of surprising beauty as regards shape and color. The flesh is crisp, tender, juicy and mild. The color is a rich scarlet. Has a small top and the radishes are surprisingly uniform in shape and size. We offer only the most carefully grown seed. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$3.75, postpaid.

### 148—LONG WHITE ICICLE

(25 days.) Long, slender, pure white roots, and they remain mild and crisp until they grow large; they mature early, and have short tops, which permits close planting and forcing. Regarded by many of our customers as the finest radish they have ever grown. Plant every ten days for succession. Try Icicle this year—you will always plant it. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.35; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

### 149—FRENCH BREAKFAST

A very reliable variety, is early, bright scarlet in color, tender, crisp and an excellent variety for forcing in frames for early market, and is one of the quickest growing sorts and it being a beautiful rose scarlet, with a white tip, recommends it everywhere. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 35c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 150—WINTER RADISHES

Winter Radishes should be planted in August. If planted in early spring, they will run to seed. Each packet will contain a mixture of several varieties, including China Rose, Celestial or Mammoth White China, and Long Black Spanish. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

### 151—ALL SEASONS RADISH MIXTURE

This is by far the best Mixture of Radishes ever offered, containing all shapes, sizes and colors. A supply of this seed will be just the thing for small gardens, where space is limited and you want to make a garden and be done with it in one sowing of seed. By sowing this seed you will have Radishes very early and continue all the season, having all leading early, medium and late sorts. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c, postpaid.

# Peppers

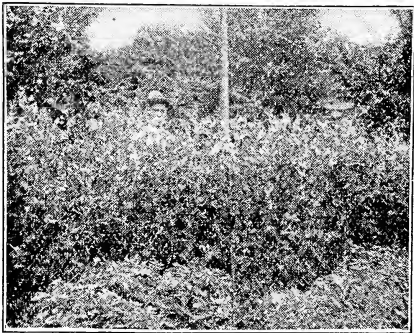
Sow seed early in April in hotbed, and transplant to open ground when weather becomes warm and favorable. Set plants in warm, mellow soil in rows two feet apart and fifteen inches in the row.

### 152—CHINESE GIANT

A wonderful variety, and is by far the largest sort ever grown. It is mammoth in size, splendid shape, beautiful color, being a rich, glossy red; mild flavor and not pungent. Its strong, bushy plants are literally loaded with the large fruit. They grow so large the plants should be started early and allow plenty of time for fruit to mature before early frost. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c; ¼ lb., \$2.00.

### 153—LARGE BELL OR BULL NOSE

This is a very large, mild, and extremely productive sort. The skin is bright glossy red, and the flesh very thick. They sell readily in all markets while green, for making Mango pickles. They are very easily grown and profitable. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.75.



Peas. Telephone

### 154—LONG RED CAYENNE

(125 days.) A well known medium early variety, having a slender, twisted and pointed pod about four inches long. The color is deep green when fruit is young, bright red when ripe. The flesh is extremely strong and pungent. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.75.

### 155—MAMMOTH GOLDEN QUEEN

Sweetest and largest yellow Mango Pepper, specimens reaching 6 to 8 inches in length and 4 to 5 inches in diameter, maturing in about 130 days, flavor mild and pleasant. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.75.

### 156—PEPPER MIXTURE

Contains all the different varieties of Peppers and will produce a great display of the different colors, shapes and sizes to be found among peppers. Pkt., 5c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 40c.



Chicago Warty Hubbard

# Spinach

One ounce of seed will sow 50 feet of drill; 12 to 15 pounds will plant an acre.

## 157—BLOOMSDALE

(SAVOY)—The earliest of all and one of the best; the leaves are numerous curled and wrinkled. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 20c; lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.

## 158—LONG STANDING

(Thick Leaved)—A fine market sort. Leaves large and thick, somewhat crumpled. Does not run to seed early. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 20c; lb., 50c; 5 lbs., \$2.00, postpaid.

## 159—NEW ZEALAND

It thrives during hot weather and in any soil, rich or poor. The tender, golden leaves are comparatively small, broad and pointed. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 5 lbs., \$5.00; 10 lbs., \$9.00, postpaid.

# Squash

One ounce of the bush varieties for 40 hills, or of the large-seeded winter kinds for 15 hills; 2 to 4 pounds of the bush sorts, or 4 to 5 pounds of the large-seeded winter kinds are needed for one acre.

## 160—CHICAGO WARTED HUBBARD

**Excellent Winter Sort.** A new type of Hubbard produced by careful selection of the large, dark green, warted specimens always seen in good stocks of it. It has been bred to this type until it is so fixed that nearly all have very hard, warty shells, are large, and of very best quality. The vines are healthy and strong, producing quite freely the handsome dark green fruits. Flesh very rich, golden yellow, fine grained and dry. Popular with market men and growers catering to a fancy trade. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25. 2 lbs., \$2.20; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 161—DELICATA

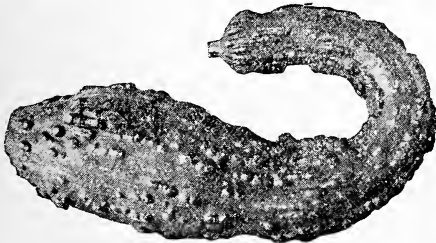
Early and very prolific; of oblong shape. Ground color orange yellow, splashed and striped with very deep green. Although of small size, the squashes are very solid and heavy, while the quality is rich and dry. An excellent "all season" squash. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, 5 bs. \$6.00, postpaid.

## 162—DELICIOUS

An early winter variety of medium size, preferred by some to the Hubbard. Dark green, shell moderately hard but very thin. Flesh thick, fine grained and bright yellow. Fruits a little smaller than Hubbard, weighing from 5 to 10 pounds each. Ideal home garden Squash and much used for pies. Fine flavor. Ready for table use in 65 to 75 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

## 163—GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK

A great improvement of the popular Yellow Crookneck. Bigger, more uniform, with heavily warted shell and deep golden-yellow flesh. Surpasses other Summer Squash and approaches winter varieties in flavor. A favorite with market gardeners because of its beautiful appearance, ready sale and profit producing qualities. Ready for table in 55 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50; 2 lbs., \$2.25; 5 lbs., \$5.20, postpaid.



Summer Crookneck

## 164—NEW GOLDEN HUBBARD

The shell is warty, hard and strong and very beautiful orange red color. Shape like the old Hubbard. The flesh is deep orange and uniformly so to the rind. It cooks very dry, fine grained, good flavor. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25; 2 lbs., \$2.20; 5 lbs., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 165—SQUASH MIXTURE

Many desire to raise all the different varieties. We have therefore included in this mixture all the early and late sorts, which will produce squashes of all the different shapes, colors and sizes imaginable, and is a profitable collection to grow by all those who have a limited space. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 35c; ½ lb., 60c; lb., \$1.00, postpaid.

# Turnip

One ounce of seed sows 100 feet of drill; one pound will plant an acre.

## 166—PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAF

Early of rapid growth and mild flavor, the most popular variety in use. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 80c, 5 lbs. \$3.50, postpaid.

## 167—EXTRA EARLY WHITE MILAN

It grows with wonderful rapidity, and is the earliest White Turnip in cultivation. Of splendid quality. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

## 168—PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE

(70 days.) A fine table turnip. It is an early and heavy cropper, as well as a good keeper. The bulb is very handsome globe, and is especially suitable for the home garden. This is also a good turnip for stock feed, as it will grow to a large size if left for that purpose. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00; 5 lbs., \$4.00, postpaid.

## 169—TURNIP MIXTURE

This splendid mixture contains all the leading varieties in early Turnips, Rutabagas and Swedes; all early and late sorts, and by sowing this seed a continuous supply may be had throughout the season. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 80c, postpaid.

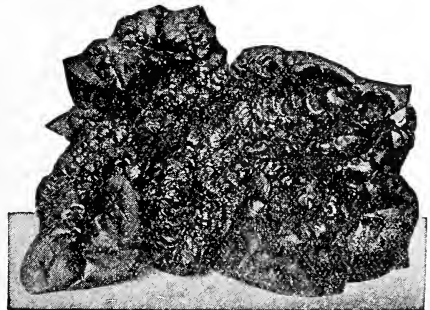
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## 170—WHITE SWEET AMERICAN

This variety is a most excellent kind, grows to large size; very fine for stock or table. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 75c; 5 lbs., \$3.50, postpaid.

## 171—IMPROVED AMERICAN PURPLE-TOP

One of the best and heaviest cropping sorts. It is of globe shape with a rich purple top and light yellow below the ground. The quality is fine; very tender, and without the stringy nature common in some sorts. A valuable stock-food and is used as a table variety by many. Pkt., 5c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 85c, postpaid.



Spinach. Savoy

PURE BRED

## Tomatoes

SELECTED

## Northern Grown—Hardy—Free from Blight

Tomatoes do best in warm, moderately rich soil. Sow seeds early in March in hot bed or house, in shallow boxes. About May 15 to 20 in this latitude the plants should be set out in the open ground, in rows four feet apart each way. All seeds we offer are from critically selected specimens of fruit and should prove of the greatest value to the planter. One ounce will produce about 2,000 plants.

When tomato seed is offered real cheap the chances are it comes from the canneries. Why take chances for a few cents?

## 172—NEW STONE

The most popular main crop tomato in cultivation and there is probably more seed sold of this sort than all others combined. We have brought this tomato to a very high state of perfection, so that our seed is not surpassed in quality by any stock offered. This variety has obtained immense popularity with market gardeners, Southern growers, canners and home growers everywhere. Pkt., 10c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00 postpaid.

## 173—ACME—EARLY (PURPLE)

Very valuable for market gardeners who ship or have a home market, and also for amateurs. The vine is large and very prolific, bearing fruit in clusters of four or five, early and continuously until frost. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00, postpaid.

## ORDER YOUR SEEDS

as soon as possible after receiving this book

## 174—BONNY BEST

A fine early tomato of medium size. They are of bright scarlet color, always smooth and of remarkably uniform size and shape. An elegant sort for market and shipping. Pkt., 5c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.75, postpaid.

## 175—JOHN BAER

A remarkable new variety of the extra early red or scarlet type. Not as early as Earliana, yet there are only a few days' difference, and John Baer yields a much heavier crop of larger, more uniform and more attractive fruits that in total it makes a much more profitable crop to grow than any other extra early variety. Pkt., 5c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 75c; ½ lb., \$1.40; lb., \$2.60, postpaid.



Tomatoes Growing on Trellis

## 176—PONDEROSA

This variety is very popular in many sections of the country. The vines are of strong growth and produce large clusters of beautiful tomatoes. Fruit is deep purple in color, of immense size, very meaty and solid with small seed cells, and produce continuously until frost. A good tomato for the home garden beginning to ripen in 110 to 120 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 177—EARLIANA

A Very Popular Extra Early Red. Also Known as Sparks' Earliana. Our strain of this popular variety shows few, if any, of the rough fruits found in numerous quantities in other early sorts. Plants are of compact growth with stout-jointed branches. Yields well and the fruit is solid and of fine quality; bright red in color, of good size. Ready for market in 90 days. Pkt., 5c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.75, prepaid.

## 178—ENORMOUS

Also Called Crimson Cushion or Beefsteak. The fruit grows very large and very smooth, with solid meat and few seeds. It is oval in shape, rather than round, like "Stone." It is very solid and keeps well on the vines after ripening; has rather few seeds and ripens all over and through at one time. The color is a clear, deep red. Ripens in 125 days. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50, lb., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 179—GOLDEN QUEEN

A very perfect and improved strain of the Golden Trophy. Sweet and very nice to eat from the hand. It is early and smooth; excellent for preserves and slicing for the table, and will contrast so nicely together with the red sorts. Pkt., 10c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.10; lb., \$4.00, postpaid.

## 180—FANCY PRESERVING MIXED

An interesting packet comprising a mixture of the different small fruited varieties such as Red and Yellow, Pear, Plum, Peach and Cherry. These varieties are all unusually sweet, rich flavor and excellent for preserves. May also be dried in the sun and packed in sugar thus making an excellent substitute for figs. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; postpaid.

## 181—ALL KINDS OF TOMATOES IN MIXTURE

This mixture is made up of all the different varieties of tomatoes we offer. From the very earliest to the latest sorts of the different colors, shapes, and sizes will be produced. A very interesting collection and will prove a real curiosity, maturing ripe fruits from about 80 to 130 days. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c, postpaid.

## 182—ENDIVE

One of the best salads for fall and winter use. **Broad Leaved Batavian.** The broad, thick slightly wrinkled leaves form a large head which is preferred for stews and soups. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.35.

## 183—PARSNIPS

One ounce for 150 feet of drill—5 to 6 lbs. per acre. **HOLLOW CROWN.** (85 days.) Standard sort, long, sweet, and very productive. The best for general cultivation. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; oz., 10c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 90c; 5 lbs., \$3.50, postpaid.

## 184—PARSLEY

One ounce will sow 100 feet of drill. **CHAMPION MOSS CURLED.** (65 days.) Extra large, dark green tender, crimped and curled. We recommend this variety for either greenhouse or outdoor. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

**185—LARGE ROOTED HAMBURG PARSLEY** (100 days.) The edible portion is the fleshy root. It is highly esteemed for flavoring soups, stews etc. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 40c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

## 186—MIXED HERBS

Your garden is not complete without a row of herbs such as Dill, Anise, Balm, Sweet Basil, Lavender, Sage, Sweet Fennel, etc. In the old days herbs were indispensable, and they should not be forgotten now. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 85c, postpaid.



# Miscellaneous Vegetables

## Brussels Sprouts

Brussels Sprouts are miniature cabbages formed on a plant stalk. The delicate flavor is improved by a touch of frost. The culture is practically the same as for cabbage. For late use sow seed in June.

### 187—IMPROVED DANISH

Hardy and a heavy yielder. A fine variety originated and grown in Denmark. Pkt., 10c; oz., 40c; ¼ lb., \$1.10; lb., \$3.50, postpaid.

### 188—BROCCOLI

**EARLY WHITE CAPE.** This vegetable resembles cauliflower, but is much hardier. Start in the house or hotbed, very early, and transplant to open ground. Pkt., 10c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 189—COLLARDS

**TRUE SOUTHERN GEORGIA.** This is a tall, loose-leaved cabbage-like plant used for greens. This variety grows 2 feet high, and forms large, open heads. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 50c, postpaid.

### 190—CHICORY

**Witloof (French Endive.)** A European delicacy now standard in all best hotels and restaurants in the U. S. It is easily grown. Sow in spring; store parsnip-like roots in sand until wanted for growing on in winter. Special strain. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 85c; lb., \$3.00, postpaid.



Moss Curled Parsley

### 191—CORN SALAD

**Large Seeded.** This is a small, quick growing salad plant, for late fall, winter and spring use. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c. ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 192—SALSIFY OR VEGETABLE OYSTER

**Why don't you grow Salsify?** It is one of the most delicious and nutritious vegetables. In soup it has a delicious oyster flavor. Also fine if fried in butter, or boiled and made into fritters. It is perfectly hardy and should remain in the garden for spring use. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

### 193—LEEK

**LARGE MUSSELBURG.** Enormous broad leaves, mild flavor. Good exhibition sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50, postpaid.

### 194—KALE

**MOSS CURLED.** The best and hardiest variety. Robust, very compact in growth, with dense moss curled leaves of deep green color. The stems produce curly sprouts which are tender and of a fine flavor. Grows about 30 inches high; stands out which improves its deliciousness. Ready for use in about 55 days. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.50, postpaid.

### 195—MUSTARD

A pungent salad. Sow thickly in rows six inches apart and cut when about two inches high.

**Chinese New Giant.** An excellent new sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.25, postpaid.

### 196—OKRA

**White Velvet.** Very distinct in appearance. Unlike other varieties, the pods are not rigid, but perfectly round, smooth of an attractive white velvety appearance, and superior flavor. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 25c; lb., 70c., postpaid.

### 196½—RHUBARB SEED

The variety **Linneaus**; has given good results for many years. One ounce of seed should produce about 1,000 roots. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.

### 197—KOHL RABI

Intermediate between cabbage and turnip. Sow in open ground in May or June in rows 18 inches apart; thin to one foot.

**EARLY WHITE VIENNA.** Flesh white and tender. Best market sort. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 80c; lb., \$2.85.

### 198—EGG PLANT

A tender plant. Sow in hotbed or small box in the house, transplant in as warm a place in the garden as you have, after settled warm weather.

**New York Improved Spineless.** The leading market variety. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c; ¼ lb., \$1.75.

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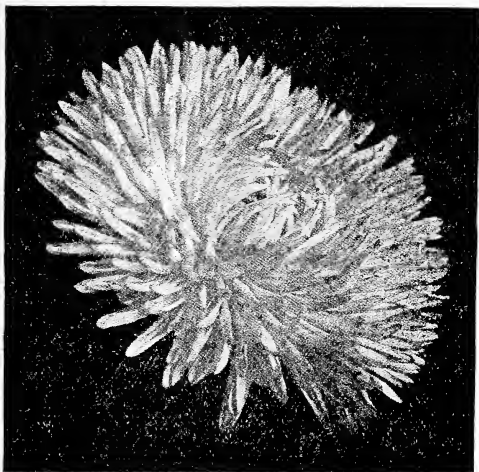
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# Beautify Your Home With Asters



Aster. King Type

## To Enjoy all Summer and Fall

The leading types of Asters are offered here. It is possible to have early ones in bloom in July and others to follow right up to snow. Some border types and others of the stately cut flower varieties. Your friends will marvel at the Asters you can grow from these seeds.

### 199—AMERICAN BEAUTY

One of the most beautiful Asters of recent introduction. Of vigorous habit, producing large double flowers on long stems. The color is a brilliant rosy crimson. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 45c; ¼ oz., 85c.

### 200—AMERICAN BRANCHING

The best all around Aster. In their full glory in September. The flowers are big balls of color, often 4 inches across, always on long stems; fine for cutting. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 201—QUEEN OF THE MARKET

The best of the extra-early varieties, fully two weeks ahead of all others. Flowers quite large and double. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c.

### 202—CREGO GIANT

Plants grow about 2 ft. high, branch freely; flowers of immense size, curled and twisted. A monster among Asters. 7 colors, mixed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 203—DAYBREAK

A wonderful Aster and a rare gem. 12 to 18 inches high, strong grower; compact, round flowers in great quantities; 5 colors, mixed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 65c.

### 204—GIANT COMET

In our opinion this is one of the handsomest of the medium-tall sorts. The plants grow about 18 to 24 inches high, and have beautiful flowers in great abundance. These flowers, with their long, twisted petals, strikingly resemble Japanese Chrysanthemums, and are of very large size. Splendid for cutting. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 205—HEART OF FRANCE

There is no Aster of recent introduction that has had such widespread popularity as **Heart of France**, and this year, for the first time, we have had a splendid crop. As for quality, we are safe in saying it is the best strain on the market. The color is a bright garnet red and the flowers are large and full, on tall, robust plants of the Late Branching type. The beautiful satiny lustre of the loose, scraggly petals have a very striking appearance. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 90c.

### 206—MIKADO

Similar to the Crego's Giant but dwarfer in growth, and comes into bloom fully two weeks earlier. Height about 18 inches, of branching habit, and the flowers, borne on long, strong stems, are of colossal size, 5 to 6 inches across being the rule. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 65c.

### 207—PEERLESS PINK

Flowers of enormous size, globular in shape, up to five inches across, of a most delightful and pleasing shade of rich shell pink. A beauty and a prolific bloomer. Plants 2 feet high. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 40c; ¼ oz., 75c.

### 208—OSTRICH PLUME

A fine type of Giant Comet, having very long, irregularly twisted petals, producing a plume-like effect. Flowers very large, on long stems; fine for cut flowers. All colors mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 209—NEW KING ASTER

A distinct new type. Very large, double flowers, with long, narrow, folded, needle-like petals. Flowers resemble Cactus Dahlias. Very attractive, all colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 210—ROYAL

A valuable variety of Aster of the Comet type, coming into bloom in mid-season. They are vigorous and sturdy growers, branching from the base of the plants. Although early—Mid-Season Asters—they remain in flower a long time; the flowers being of splendid substance; splendid cut flower type. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c.

### 211—SNOWBALL ASTER

Sturdy plants bearing an abundance of big snowy-white blooms, medium early. The best dwarf white Aster. Fine for bedding, cutting or the garden border. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 65c; oz., \$1.65.

### 212—SENSATION

Bushy and branching plant about two feet high, flowers double and incurved, resembling a Dahlia and the flower a lively cardinal red. The flowers are wonderfully attractive in the garden and when cut and used under artificial light the effect is charming. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 65c.

### 213—ASTERMUM

Well named, because the shaggy flowers are really more like Chrysanthemums than Asters. Plants are branching with long stems but rather dwarfer than the Comet type. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

### 214—CERISE ROCHESTER

This Aster is one of the finest of the newer Rochesters. The color is very distinct and unique, being a beautiful soft glowing shade which flower lovers greatly admire. It is a perfect Rochester type with great shaggy flowers borne on long stems. Its charming color and handsome form make it unexcelled either for outdoor showing or for cut flower displays. The beautiful artistic coloring deepens somewhat with age. Per packet 25c; two for 40c.

# Finest Types of Asters Grown

## 215—SILVERY PINK

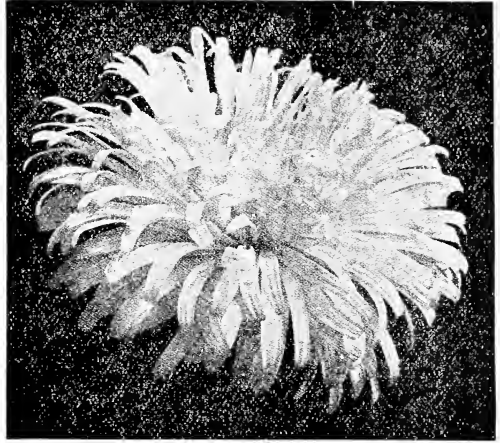
This exquisitely beautiful flower derives its distinction from its delicate silvery sheen which overlays the predominating color. Each petal has actually the same color from base to tip, but massed in the enormous double blooms the heart of each flower of Silvery Pink appears a warm glowing pink, while, as the light reflects upon them, the tips of the petals have a silvery sheen which makes them appear almost white, the whole effect of which is indescribably beautiful. The flowers are held aloft on long strong stems. Large, vigorous, freely branching plants. Pkt., 20c; 2 for 35c.

## 216—CARDINAL

One of the best varieties for borders or beds. It has a very long season of bloom. The buds are a rosy carmine; the fully open flowers, which develop quite slowly, are a brilliant glowing cardinal, gradually fading to a deep crimson. The whole plant has a dark, rich color; even the dry and withered flowers retain so much color that the plant does not become unsightly. In the new strain of Cardinal now offered the middle of the flower is filled with long quill-like florets, so that it never shows a yellow center. Pkt., 20c; two for 35c.

## 217—BOLTZE'S DWARF BOUQUET

Mixed, all colors. Pretty little plants of handsome form, completely covered with flowers, each plant forming a neat bouquet. The flowers are the most distinct and delicate shade. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 55c.



Aster. Mikado Type

## 219—EXTRA QUALITY MIXED ASTERS

Very carefully prepared—containing all of the separate types we list, and others as well. It will give you a beautiful Aster collection for the price of one packet—types early, midseason and late, and all the colors known to Asters. Plant a quantity of this mixture and see what delights are in store for you. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; ¼ oz., 75c; oz., \$1.25.

## 218 ASTER SEED OFFER

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Postpaid	have this fine collection of Asters	Postpaid
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## 220—GIANT-FLOWERED ANTIRRHINUM

(SNAPDRAGON). This old favorite is one of the most beautiful and useful border plants of our gardens. Its very graceful flowers are borne on long stems and in the greatest diversity of colors. The spikes of flowers are most brilliant and showy. Height, 2 feet.

**Finest Mixed Colors.** An elegant assortment of innumerable rich colors and shades. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 60c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.10.

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(Floss Flower). A plant of the greatest beauty and value for garden or window; unexcelled for borders or bedding. Early and constant bloomer.

**FINEST VARIETIES MIXED.** All sorts and colors. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c; oz., 85c.

## 222—ALYSSUM, SWEET

A pretty little flowering plant for beds, edging, or rock work, indispensable for bouquet making, being a beautiful white flower with delicate honey-like fragrance. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 25c; oz., 45c.

## 225—BACHELOR'S BUTTONS

(Centaurea). Nice hardy annuals. Great variety of colors. Endures drought well, and succeeds nicely in any soil. Gives the best satisfaction. Pretty in bouquets. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 55c.

## 226—CANDYTUFT

One of our most useful and popular annuals. Completely covered all summer with clusters of flowers that are well suited for borders or bouquets. Mixed. Including all colors. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 40c.

## 227—CENTAUREA

**CR. CORNFLOWER. Imperialis.** The plants grow about 3 feet high with numerous large flowers borne on long stems, and produce a great mass of bloom all summer. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 55c.

## 228—CALLIOPSIS

(Tickseed) **Hardy Annual.** The calliopsis is very hardy, and will thrive anywhere. It makes a quick growth, and produces beautiful foliage. It is one of our brightest and best summer bloomers. Gold and maroon of the most brilliant hues are the prevailing colors. Excellent for cutting and massing. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c.

## 229—CALENDULA

(Scotch Marigold). Well-known hardy annuals, growing well in any good garden soil, flowering very freely, and continuing in bloom from June to November; suitable for pot culture. 10 to 12 inches high. Calendulas have become very popular of late; the striking orange, red and yellow blooms are very effective and attractive, growing on stout, long stems. They are excellent for cutting. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

## 230—CANNA

(INDIAN SHOT). Raising cannas from seed is a little more labor than buying the roots, but when grown from seed one gets a great variety of interesting and pretty colors. The seed should be soaked in warm water until they show evidence of swelling, then sow in sandy loam and put in a hotbed. When the second leaf appears, pot off and hold under glass until all danger of frost is past.

**CANNA SEED.** The seed we offer is of the large flowering French Cannas, which are the very finest. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 85c, postpaid.

## 231—CHINESE WOOL FLOWER

This recent novelty is the most curious as well as the most showy of all Celosias. The round globular flowers, appearing like large balls of bright red wool, start blooming in July and continue until cut down by frost. The flowers do not fade but increase in size and brilliancy throughout the season. They are excellent for bedding or specimen plants. Height, 2 to 3 feet. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 40c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 75c.

## 232—GAILLARDIA

(Blanket Flower). The flowers are dazzling and brilliant in colors, red and yellow predominating. Easy to grow from seed, and will produce in profusion a continuous supply of exquisite flowers on long stems. Blooms from early spring until late fall. Will thrive in poor soil and are not affected by extremes of weather. Plants of strong growth with grayish foliage. Height, eighteen inches. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c; oz., 75c.

## Amaranthus

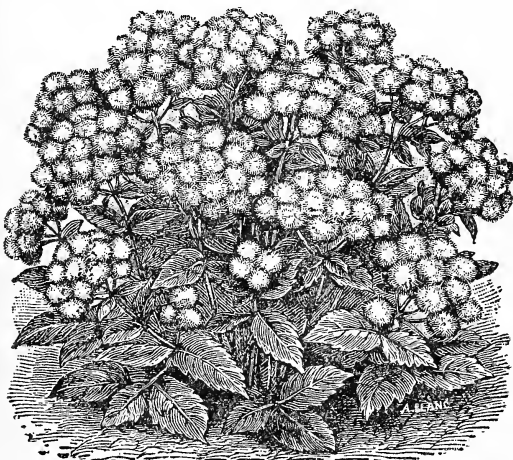
Brilliant foliated plants 3 to 6 feet high. Given plenty of room and a hot sunny location they are very attractive among the tall plants or center of a large bed. Sow seed outdoors in May.

### 223—SALICIFOLIA

"Fountain Plant." Willow-leaved. The pretty, green, red and yellow foliage is gracefully arching like a fountain spray. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c.

### 224—TRICOLOR

"Joseph's Coat." Very brilliant celous-like foliage, the red, yellow and green beautifully blended. An exceptionally fine strain. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 50c.



Ageratum

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**233—CARNATION**

**Marguerite.** This new race of Carnations, unlike all others, blooms in about three months from the time of sowing the seed and continues to flower until checked by frost. They embrace a fine range of brilliant colors, are very free flowering. Best mixed. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

**234—COSMOS**

A magnificent race of plants growing about 4 to 6 feet high, and in fall literally covered with graceful flowers resembling single dahlias.

**EARLY DAWN**—Is extremely early, coming in bloom about two months from time of sowing and continuing until frost. The plants have fine, feathery, light green foliage and delicate rose, purple, white and lilac flowers. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c.; ¼ oz., 25c.; ½ oz., 45c.

**235—DOUBLE-CRESTED COSMOS**

In these varieties the flowers are large, but instead of the yellow center they have a double center which stands up like a cushion. The outer row or crest is made up of broad ray petals. This is the best of all Cosmos for cut-flowers as the blooms last an unusually long time in water. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 60c; ½ oz., \$1.00; oz. \$1.75.

**236—CALIFORNIA POPPIES**

**ESCHSCHOLTZIA Golden West**—A grand strain of the well-known favorite California Poppies. The flowers have large, overlapping petals, which are often delicately waved at the edges, showing beautiful and varied forms. The color is an intense shining yellow, with an orange blotch. Hardy annual. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c.

**237—COCKSCOMB**

**(Celosia).** Is a pretty, interesting class of annuals, and is prized for both indoor and outdoor planting. Showy summer and fall. Mixed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 45c; ¼ oz., 85c.

**238—CHRYSANTHEMUM**

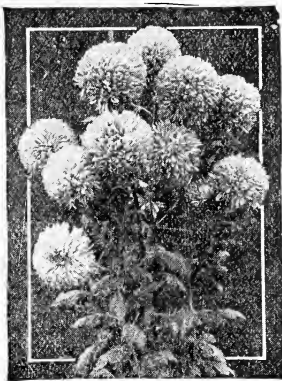
The annual Chrysanthemums are distinct from the autumn flowering, blooming all summer and making a gorgeous display.

**Annual Double White Snowball**—A magnificent variety growing about 18 inches high and blooming continuously throughout the summer. They are covered with clusters of double pure white flowers of a beautiful fringed appearance. Will last a week or two after being cut. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c; ½ oz., 75c; oz., \$1.40.

Hardy Chrysanthemums are listed under Perennials.

**239—CRIMSON FLAX**

**(Linum grandiflorum rubrum).** This is a very pretty dwarf annual. The rich crimson flowers last only a day but they are borne continuously until frost. Makes a splendid subject for massing or may be planted as edging for borders or lawn Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c.



Chrysanthemum

is more bloom display to a Balsam than any plant of equal size. Easy to grow but will thrive best in a sunny location. Transplanting will give the plants a better shape and produce finer flowers. Mixed comprises the finest double sorts. Annual. Height, two feet. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

**243—SWAN RIVER DAISY**

**(Brachycome).** A delightful little bush about 9 inches high giving bountifully of its dainty blue flowers all summer. Like violet blue stars the flowers practically cover the foliage. Fine for low border edgings—and for pot culture also. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c;

**244—EVERLASTING FLOWERS**

**(Helichrysum Monstrosum Mixed).** Large, full, double, daisy like flower heads with prominent centers and stiff overlapping scales. Produced in various shades of bright yellow and scarlet on stems of good length. Desirable as dried specimens and for use in making winter bouquets. For this purpose, the flowers should be gathered when on the point of expanding. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c; oz., 85c.

**245—FOUR O'CLOCK**

**(Marve of Peru)**—Well known annual. The bushy plants bear an abundance of sweet scented flowers which open late in the afternoon. Sow the seed where plants are to remain, as they will not do so well if transplanted. Height, thirty inches. Finest Mixed. Pkt., 5c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

**246—ANGEL'S TRUMPET**

**DATURA. Cornucopia (Horn of Plenty)**—Very hardy and beautiful. Flowers are trumpet-shaped, measuring 8 to 10 inches in length and 5 to 7 inches across the mouth and form three distinct flowers growing each within the other. Very fragrant. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 20c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

**Dianthus, Pink Heddewegia**

For brilliancy of coloring and markings, as well as beautiful forms of flowers, this family cannot be surpassed. The colors range through white, pink and crimson to the very deepest maroon; many varieties are finely fringed. Hardy biennials, but are better treated as annuals, as they bloom early from seed sown in the spring. Fancy mixed.

**240—DIANTHUS—CHINESE OR INDIAN PINKS**

Hardy biennials; bloom early from seed; extra double flowers in choicest mixture of bright single colors, variegated and spotted. One of the finest for massing in beds. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

**241—DIANTHUS NOBILIS**

This is of the Royal pinks, covering a range of rose, pink and dark crimson shades, with dark eyes, petals double and lacinated. Very compact bushes, living for two seasons. Flowers exceptionally large. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 65c.

**242—GIANT DOUBLE BALSAM**

**(Lady Slipper).** This is one of the most gorgeous old-fashioned flowers. The plants often have six to twelve branches, literally covered with large rose-like flowers. There

**Dusty Miller**

This foliage variety of Centaurea make excellent borders on account of their silvery white foliage. The plants grow 6 to 12 inches high.

**247—CANDIDISSIMA**

Dwarf and neatly compact plants formed by thick silvery white leaves. Fine for bedding or borders. Bears attractive golden-yellow flowers. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 65c; ½ oz., \$1.20.

**248—GIANT CASTOR BEAN**

The Ricinus has very ornamental foliage and beautiful showy fruit. Fine for the center of a bed, as it gives a magnificent semi-tropical appearance, or, planted thick, it makes a fine screen or hedge. Plant seed in open, very rich, deep-spaded ground, in a dry situation, as soon as safe in spring. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 60c.



Four Dahlia Types

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**257—LARKSPUR**

Annual. Quick-growing, free-flowering annual producing its long clustered spikes of beautiful flowers in greatest profusion. Splendid for the old-fashioned flower or shrub border. A splendid mixture, including Emperor, Hyacinth Flowered, Dwarf Rocket. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 45c.

**258—LOBELIA**

This popular and beautiful flowering plant is most desirable for pot culture, edgings, hanging baskets, etc., blooming profusely from June to November. The blossoms of all sorts are particularly bright in appearance.

**FINEST MIXED**—Dwarf sorts in shades of blue and white. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

**259—LOVE-IN-A-MIST**

(Nigella). A compact, free-flowering plant, with very finely cut foliage. The plants grow to oval bush from 15 to 18 inches high. A very curious and interesting plant. In the finely cut fern-like foliage nestle hundreds of lovely, bright blue double flowers. 1 1/2 inches across, a distinct and pretty novelty that is bound to interest and please all who grow it. Sown in the open ground in May. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 45c.

**260—GRASSES**

**Ornamental Mixed**, 2 to 5 ft. These are most useful for winter bouquets when combined with Everlasting flowers. They are easily grown in any soil. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 25c; 1/2 oz., 45c.

**261—HELIOTROPE**

A great favorite for their beauty and fragrance; are well suited for beds or borders, where they bloom in summer and may be potted for winter blooming.

**CALIFORNIA MAMMOTH**—A grand variety producing immense flowers. The best type to grow in open beds from seed. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 50c; 1/4 oz., 90c.

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Dahlias can easily be grown from seed. If the seed is planted early in the season, many plants will bloom the first year. They produce their flowers in great abundance from August until frost. Store the roots dry and frost-proof.

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One of the finest flowers of late introduction, and where known is rapidly taking the place of the old standard Dahlias. Flowers are quilled and curved, resembling Chrysanthemums; grown on long stems, which makes them especially valuable for cut flowers. Our seed is all saved from the newest and most perfect varieties. Pkt., 25c; 1/8 oz., 95c; 1/4 oz., \$1.80; 1/2 oz., \$3.40.

**250—COLLARETTE, MIXED**

The blooms are similar to the single Dahlia, but each flower has a row or collar of fluted florets surrounding the yellow stems in the center. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 45c; 1/4 oz., 85c.

**251—PEONY-FLOWERED, MIXED**

are curled and twisted in a most pleasing manner. The Peony-flowered Dahlias are very free-flowering and come in an unusually large number of fine colors. Pkt., 15c; 1/8 oz., 55c; 1/4 oz., \$1.00.

**252—SUPERB SINGLE MIXED**

Within late years the large-flowered single Dahlias have become very popular and our seed is saved from the finest blooms. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 35c; 1/4 oz., 65c; 1/2 oz., \$1.20.

**253—DECORATIVE, MIXED**

A large-flowering strain with double or semi-double flowers in many colors. Pkt., 15c; 1/8 oz., 55c; 1/4 oz., \$1.00.

**254—POMPON, MIXED**

Blooms freely, producing small, ball-shaped flowers in many colors. Pkt., 15c; 1/8 oz., 55c; 1/4 oz., \$1.00.

**255—LARGE-FLOWERED DOUBLE**

A wonderful assortment of fine colors. Large and double. Pkt., 15c; 1/8 oz., 55c; 1/4 oz., \$1.00.

**256 DAHLIA SEED OFFER**

One package each of the above seven varieties of Dahlia seed—regular \$1.05 value

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**262—KOCHIA OR FIRE BUSH**

**The New Giant (Summer Cypress, Burning Bush).** A charming and most effective decorative plant, with a habit resembling one of the compact evergreen shrubs. It has a light green feathery foliage, changes to crimson. May be grown as single specimens, or as an ornamental hedge. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 20c; 1/2 oz., 30c; oz., 55c.

**263—ICE PLANT**

(Mesembryanthemum). A singular plant of spreading habit, and very effective in beds, rock-work, hanging baskets, etc. The plants have a peculiar icy foliage, and the sun gives to them the appearance of being covered with icy crystals. The flowers are white and pink. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 20c; 1/2 oz., 35c.

**264—AFRICAN MARIGOLD**

**Pride of the Garden.** The immense flowers of this grand variety are densely double, and of a beautiful golden yellow color. A notable feature is the compact, dwarf habit of the plant, which forms dense bushes fifteen to eighteen inches high and two feet across. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 35c; 1/2 oz., 65c; oz., \$1.15.

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For trailing over porch lattice or arbors, or for covering old fences or unsightly places, also for vases. A great variety in colors, including the brilliant Lobbianum type. Mixture, including all types. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

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Specially desirable for bordering beds, walks or driveways, forming neat compact plants a foot across. Always in bloom from June to October. A splendid mixture comprising many varieties and colors. Pkt., 10c; oz., ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.70.

### 269—LILLIPUT OR MINIATURE

Very beautiful varieties smaller in growth, leaf and flower than the other dwarf sorts, forming dwarf compact bushes, 8 to 10 inches high, fairly hidden throughout the season by flowers of a great variety of brilliant colors. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c; ¼ lb., 50c; lb., \$1.70.

### 270—NASTURTIUM COLLECTION

One packet each of the four nasturtium varieties for 30 cents.

## Petunias

### 271—DWARF PETUNIAS

This beautiful type is particularly well suited for solid beds or borders. The plants form neat round bushes which are literally covered with thousands of flowers. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 80c.

### 272—HOWARD'S STAR

A beautiful free-flowering strain, color crimson-maroon with a clearly-defined five-pointed star of bluish-white. For bedding, window boxes, borders, vases, etc., this is exceptionally fine. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 40c; ¼ oz., 90c.

### 273—BALCONY PETUNIAS

For window or porch boxes, dry banks, terraces, or among rock work, the Balcony Petunias may be depended upon to supply an unsurpassed floral effect throughout the summer until frost. The seed may be started indoors and the plants set out after the weather has become warm, about the middle of April. Balcony Petunias grow vigorously and are most profuse bloomers. Pkt., 20c; 2 pkts., 35c; 6 pkts., \$1.00.

## Annual Phlox

This splendid genus of plants is unrivaled for richness of color, profusion of bloom, length of duration of bloom and general compactness, and whether in clumps or masses looks equally beautiful.

### 274—GRANDIFLORA MIXED

This superb strain is notable not only for variety and brilliancy of colors but also for the perfection and size of the flowers. Many of the single flowers are so large that they will nearly cover a 50-cent piece. The colors range from pure white to deepest red or crimson while the clear eye of some of the flowers is peculiarly marked. For a mass of splendid colors no flower will give a more satisfactory return for so little cost. No garden should be without these beautiful dwarf growing annuals. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c; ½ oz., \$1.00.

### 275—DWARF PHLOX

**NANA COMPACTA MIXED.** This splendid race of dwarf annual Phloxes cannot be overpraised for brightness and beauty. The plants are always lavishly covered with large flowers of the most brilliant hues. Nothing better for bedding purposes is listed in this catalog. They succeed everywhere and are in universal favor for summer growing flowering purposes. Bushes are dwarf and compact, six to eight inches high, forming dense masses of bloom all summer. The colors include pure white, deep red rose with white eye and many other shades. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 45c; ¼ oz., 80c.

## New Sunflowers

### 276—DOUBLE CHRYSANTHEMUM-FLOWERED

This is a wonderful Sunflower with fully double blooms which resemble a giant Chrysanthemum. The large heads are made up of thousands of small fringed petals, forming a broad thick flower. The plants grow nearly 7 feet tall and are covered with the mammoth blooms. The color is an intense bright golden yellow. The blooms measure 6 to 8 inches. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

### 277—RED SUNFLOWER

Grows 5 to 6 feet tall. The flowers are very numerous, of good form, usually having large long rays and small discs. The color varies greatly—some plants produce flowers of a rich chestnut-red, others red flowers tipped with yellow, others washed with red. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 55c.

### 278—PORTULACA

(Rose Moss). This is remarkable for its brilliant colors and richness of bloom. Particularly adapted to rock-work edgings, etc. Blooms constantly. Nothing can exceed it in beauty. Gorgeously grand when in full bloom. Double, mixed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c.

### 279—STOCKS

**Large Flowering.** 10 weeks. The leading class for summer blooming in the garden. Beautiful, fragrant spikes of double flowers. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 40c; ¼ oz., 75c.

### 280—SCARLET SALVIA

Of all fall-blooming annuals, Scarlet Sage is, without question, the richest and most impressive in color—a scorching scarlet of unsurpassed brilliancy. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 80c; ½ oz., \$1.60.

### 281—RAINBOW CORN

The ornamental stalks, including tassel, grow 5 to 5½ feet tall, and are clothed with many variegated leaves 3 inches wide and 2 feet long. The leaves (both on main stalks and on suckers) are all superbly striped, with broad bands of crimson, yellow, rose, white, and bronze. The small hardy seed can be planted early and, as it does not ripen until very late, the plants present their rich tropical beauty for a long season. Rainbow Corn was originated by Luther Burbank. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; 4 ozs., 85c.



Red Sunflower



## Mammoth Pansies

One of the most interesting classes of flowers grown. A bed of Pansies in bloom always has something new for you in variety of color and marking, every time you visit it. Are in bloom continuously from spring until late fall. The seed may be sown in the hot bed, in boxes in the house or in the open ground. We believe we can best serve our patrons by offering the seeds in only three grades, rather than to list them in separate named varieties. The following are the three grades or types:

### 282—BEDDING MIXTURE

These are the popular saucy-faced beauties that everybody loves, comprising the finest varieties in all colors. Just what you want for a pretty bed. You will be delighted with this mixture. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 65c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., \$1.20.

### 283—RANSOM'S GIANT EXHIBITION

We offer this mixture of Giant Flowering Pansies to our customers with pride. It is composed of most carefully selected varieties of the choicest Pansies of our own wonderful strain and the finest of the new kinds introduced by the leading European and American Pansy specialists. The flowers are uniformly of the largest size, colors striking in their brilliancy, and yet retaining all the delicate shades, hues and pencillings that have made the Pansy one of our most favored flowers. Pkt., 20c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 95c.

### 284—MASTERPIECE

This magnificent Pansy comes nearer to being a double Pansy than anything ever introduced under that name; the border of every petal being conspicuously crimped and curled in such a fashion as to make the flowers appear double. The color combinations are very odd and contain some choice tints not found in any other strain of Pansies. Pkt., 25c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 65c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.20.

### 285—NICOTIANA

**SWEET SCENTED TOBACCO PLANT**—Beautiful pure white flowers of delicious and very strong fragrance. Easy to grow. Tender annual, 2½ to 3 ft. high. Blooms July to October. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c.



Pansies

## Poppies

Probably no class of plants enjoys greater popularity and is more widely grown than the Poppies. The wonderful range of brilliant colors of their delicate, gracefully borne flowers is well known. The poppies are quite hardy and the seed should be sown as early in the spring as possible. Make successive plantings for a continuous bloom all summer.

### 286—GIANT SHIRLEY

One of the most beautiful of all Poppies and produces flowers of enormous size and of the most gorgeous colors. They possess a grace and beauty all their own. Shades of delicate rose, pink, carmine, brilliant crimson, white, scarlet edged white, and many others are blended in this wonderful Poppy. Plants grow about 15 inches high.

**MIXED COLORS.** Both Single and Double. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 40c.

### 287—BRILLIANT MIXED POPPIES

This is the greatest mixture of Poppies ever sent out. There are over 20 named varieties included in the mixture and is sure to make a wonderful display for a long time. Flowers are immense both in size and color, some are single, double, and semi-double, and every color imaginable will be found in a bed of these gorgeous poppies. Pkt., 5c; 3 pkts., 12c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 35c.

### 288—FLANDERS POPPY

Vivid scarlet-red. This flower has in the minds of men been associated for over two hundred years with the battlefields of Flanders. Was the first official flower of the American Legion. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 45c.

## Zinnias

Few flowers are so easily grown or bloom so abundantly and continuously as this hardy annual. Marvelous improvements have been wrought in the newer strains. During the months of August, and September Zinnias are incomparably bright. We recommend them for groups, beds, borders and summer hedges. Sow seed in the open ground early in spring. Height, 1½ to 2 feet.

### 289—NEW GIANT ZINNIA PICOTEE

This novelty is the most attractive thing in all the race of Zinnias. The flowers are of the Giant type, each petal distinctly tipped with a darker shade as in Picotee Carnations. They come in a variety of colors: Orange, Flesh, Lemon, Pink and Cerise, each with the peculiar marking. This is an odd yet wonderfully beautiful Zinnia. We offer in mixture only. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 80c.

### 290—CURLED AND CRESTED

Flowers of this fine class of Zinnias are large, full and double, petals being twisted, rendering them free from stiffness. Splendid colors. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 65c.

### 291—GIANT GOLDEN YELLOW

A lovely shade of yellow. The flowers are perfectly double and always of the largest size. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 65c.

### 292—NEW DAHLIA FLOWERED

It is really hard to distinguish between these enormous flowered Zinnias and the blooms of the Dahlias when in the cut flower bouquet, and the Zinnias will give you more flowers and for a longer season. The plants are tall and vigorous and the flowering season lasts from July until frost comes. Mixed colors. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 90c.

### 293—WEATHER PLANT

This beautiful plant has created a great sensation. If the leaves stand upward the sky will be cloudless; if they stand out straight, changeable weather is indicated; when the leaves hang straight downward, water may be expected to fall in torrents. A local storm is indicated by the curling together of the leaves. Bears clusters of bright yellow flowers, followed by pods with brilliant red seeds used for making chains, etc. Seeds should be soaked in lukewarm water before planting. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 30c; oz., 50c.



## Sweet Peas

### 294—GIANT SPENCER MIXTURE

In preparing this mixture we are giving our customers all the best varieties in this class and all possible color variations, including many brand new kinds as well. A liberal planting of this mixture will give a most magnificent display of the Giant Spencer types. Satisfaction guaranteed. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

### 295—GRANDIFLORA MIXTURE

This is a special blend of the large flowering or grandiflora class of Sweet Peas and is absolutely unsurpassed. It is not grown as a mixture but is "blended" by ourselves and consists of the largest flowering, most beautiful named varieties. Pkt., 5c; oz., 15c; ¼ lb., 45c; lb., \$1.50.

### 296—CUPID, DWARF OR BEDDING MIXED

Early Flowering Sweet Peas. These form a bush of emerald-green foliage a little over a foot wide and six inches high, and from June until late summer are literally a sheet of bloom. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c; lb., \$2.50.

### 297—VERBENAS

**GIANT HYBRIDS.** The largest Verbenas in cultivation. For some time verbenas growers have been developing an increasingly larger flower until we are now able to offer this strain of **Giant Hybrids** in mixed colors only. Verbenas like these are a pleasure. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c.

### 298—"GIANT SPIDER PLANT"

A very ornamental plant easily raised from seed. The flowers are bright crimson-rose and produced on tall stems 3 to 4 ft. high. The seed pods form slender spikes about the flowers, which suggests the name "Spider-Plant." Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ¼ oz., 30c.

### 299—JOB'S TEARS (COIX LACHRYMA)

An old-fashioned but valuable remedy for sore throat, goitre and teething babies, when the seed is strung on linen thread and worn around the neck as a chain. Also used to advantage in basket making and raffia work. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

### 300—GODETIA

(Mixed). This delightful flower is not so widely known as it deserves to be. The habit of the species is excellent and the glossy, silky texture of the petals is worthy of inspection. Put in a bed of Godetias and Larkspur mixed and you will certainly be delighted with the effect. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

### 301—MOURNING BRIDE

("Pin Cushion") Scabiosa. The Sweet Scabious of the old-time garden, but in every way improved. Perfectly double, fragrant, elegant for cutting. Many colors. Pkt., 5c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

### 302—LUPINUS OR LUPINS

Free flowering annuals of easy culture; long, graceful spikes of rich colored, pea-shaped flowers. Fine for borders, large beds and for cutting. Prefers a little shade. 2 feet. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c; ¼ lb., 90c.

### 303—SALPIGLOSSIS

(Painted Tongue). As pot plants they are elegant and for cut flowers for vase and bouquets they are unsurpassed. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 25c.

### 304—WILD FLOWER GARDEN

A mixture of bright colors, free-flowering, easily grown annuals that with little care will produce an abundance of beautiful flowers from early Summer until frost. Pkt., 5c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c; ¼ lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.50.

#### FLOWER SEEDS IN BULK

We grow large quantities of flower seeds, and will be glad to quote you prices on any amounts you may need.

## Flowers for the House

The Kinds listed below are easily grown from seed

### 305—ASPARAGUS

**LACE FERN (Plumosus Nanus).** A beautiful pot plant with green, fern-like, feathery foliage. This is the Asparagus generally used by florists to put in with bouquets. It can be satisfactorily grown from seed in pots in the house and kept warm. Pkt., 15c (25 seeds); 100 seeds, 60c; 300 seeds \$1.60.

### 306—GERANIUMS

**ZONAL VARIETIES**—Several from some of the finest collections and many choice and even new varieties may be expected. Pkt., 25c; ⅛ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 95c; ½ oz., \$1.75.

### 307—GREVILLEA

(Silk Oak) **ROBUSTA.** A very beautiful and graceful decorative plant with fern-like foliage; excellent for table decoration; easily raised from seed, producing good-sized plants in a short time. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 90c.

### 308—PALMS

Plant several seeds in a small pot, covering to the depth of one-half inch with light soil. Keep the pot in a moderately warm place indoors and water frequently. Seeds of some varieties germinate in a few weeks and are soon ready for individual pots. Others take much longer. Mixed. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c.

### 309—MUSK PLANT

Fine for hanging baskets, pots, greenhouse or a shady place outdoors. Musk scented foliage and small yellow flowers. Annual. Height, ten inches. This is a plant that should be in every home collection; it will keep the house beautifully scented and sweet smelling. Pkt., 20c; 3 pkts., 50c; ½ oz., 75c.

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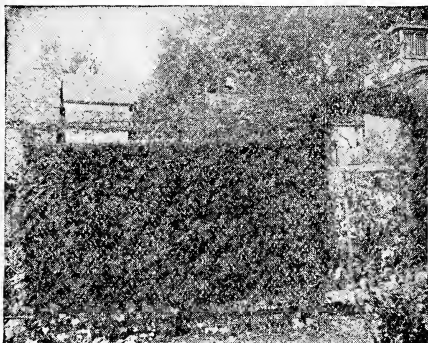
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# Leading Varieties Climbing Flowers Hardest Growers



Cypress Vine

## 311—CANARY BIRD FLOWER

Beautiful climber, the charming little canary-colored blossom bears a fancied resemblance to a bird with its wings half expanded. The plant has a luxuriant, rambling character, and if seeds are planted by the side of arbor or trellis will run about 20 feet and will blossom from July until frost. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 65c.

## 312—CARDINAL CLIMBER

This is a very attractive rapid-grower, attaining a height of twenty-five feet and literally covered with a blaze of fiery cardinal red flowers from mid-summer to frost. The flowers are about one inch in diameter and are borne in clusters five to seven blooms each. The seed should be soaked in water a few hours before sowing and not planted outside until about May 1st. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 45c; ¼ oz., 85c.

## 313—CYPRESS VINE

A most beautiful vine, with delicate fern-like foliage and beautiful star-shaped rose, scarlet and white flowers. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 15c; ¼ oz., 25c.

## 314—HYACINTH BEANS

Strong, rapid grower, making a very quick dense shade; used for ornamenting porches, verandas and trellises. It bears brilliant scarlet pea-like flowers. Vines grow 8 feet high. Used both as a string or shelled bean for eating as well as ornamental purposes. Pkt., 10c; oz., 25c; ¼ lb., 75c.

## 315—JAPANESE HOP

One of the most rapid climbers grown. Seed can be sown in the open ground in Spring and the plant will attain enormous dimensions very quickly. The foliage is luxuriant and it is one of the best plants for covering verandas and trellises. Heat, drought and insects do not trouble it. Pkt. 10c; ½ oz., 35c; oz., 60c.

## 316—BALLOON VINE

**Hardy Annual Climber**—A rapid-growing climber, very desirable in its place. It will grow to a height of from 10 to 15 feet, bearing beautiful white flowers which are followed by its seed-pods of a balloon shape. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

## 317—COBAEA SCANDENS

Fine, summer climbing plant, quick growing and bearing large bell-shaped flowers. Place the seed edgewise in sowing. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 40c.

Roswell, New Mex., Mar. 18, 1925.

Gentlemen:

I received the 12 Spireas. They were in fine shape and are very nice plants. I thank you.

MRS. E. R. DUVALL

## 318—GOURDS, ORNAMENTAL

Desirable, pretty climbers for many places where a large amount of vines are wanted quickly. The blossoms of some are quite striking and handsome. Their interesting features are the odd, unique and ornamental gourds.

**SPECIAL MIXTURE**—Splendid assortment of many varieties. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 20c; oz., 35c.

## 319—MORNING GLORY

**IMPERIAL JAPANESE.** The surpassing charm of these improved Imperial Japanese Morning Glories lies in the entrancing beauty and gigantic size of the flowers, they measuring from 4 to 6 inches across. The colors of the flowers, shading and markings are limitless, and really a wonder of nature, of such incomparable beauty that descriptions are inadequate. Are of easiest culture. Sow early in good rich soil. All colors; finest mixed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 40c.

## 320—BRAZILIAN MORNING GLORY

This desirable climber makes a thick, dense growth of great lobed leaves, and is brilliant with an endless profusion of immense clusters of rosy-colored flowers, with a satiny pink star in the center of each. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; oz., 45c.

## 321—JAPANESE KUDZU VINE

(Jack and the Bean-Stalk Vine.) Of wonderfully quick growth, climbing to a height of 50 feet. The large, bold leaves are of dark green color, and make a dense shade. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 35c; ½ oz., 60c; oz., \$1.00.

## 322—CLIMBING FOXGLOVE

**Lophospermum.** A beautiful climbing vine from Mexico. The graceful flowers are of large size and resemble pink Foxgloves. Plant the seed when soil is permanently warm. Pkt., 15c; 2 pkts., 25c.

## 323—MOONFLOWER

**White-Seeded (Grandiflora Alba.)**—The variety most generally grown. It bears in greatest profusion immense, lovely, white flowers, five to six inches in diameter. If planted in rich ground in a sunny situation, the vines attain a height of 25 feet. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; oz., 50c.

## 324—THUNBERGIA

(**Black Eyed Susan.**) An elegant slender growing vine from Africa. Very attractive when grown on trellises, in vases, or trailing on the ground. Large single flowers, in white, yellow and orange, with distinct black eye. Bloom from July to October. Pkt., 15c; ¼ oz., 50c.

## 326—CLIMBING MIXTURE

You surely get your money's worth, as it gives you about a dozen varieties for the price of one. Try a pkt. Pkt., 10c; 3 pkts., 25c; ½ oz., 50c.



Hardy Phlox

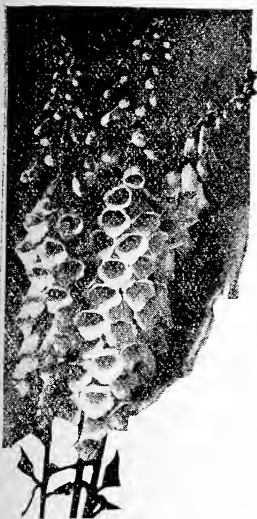
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325—SPECIAL OFFER. One packet each, 14 packets in all of the 14 varieties of Climbing Flowers as illustrated on this page, regular \$1.50 value post-paid to any address in the United States for \$1.25.

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EVERY GARDEN SHOULD HAVE SOME CLIMBERS

# Hardy Perennial Flowers



Foxglove or Digitalis

Our Perennial Flower seeds are grown for us under contract by the most experienced growers in America and abroad. Every possible precaution has been made to make our perennial flower seeds the very best it is possible to produce. We are not endeavoring to compete with cheap seed freely offered. The varieties offered are the most satisfactory to be found.

## 327—AQUILEGIA

(Columbine). Popular hardy perennials that bloom very freely during spring and early summer. These plants grow wild in the timbered country and are known to all the children as Honeysuckle. They come in a great variety of colors and are easily grown. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 90c.

## 328—CAMPANULA OR CANTERBURY BELL

Grand old-fashioned hardy flowers of easy culture, and one of the most attractive. Seeds planted this year will grow into large plants that will bloom freely next year. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 55c.

## 329—CHINESE LANTERN PLANT

Produces numerous large inflated husks, much the shape of Chinese lanterns; at first a beautiful green color, changing to a yellowish hue and then to brightest scarlet. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 65c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.20.

## 330—ALYSSUM

*Alyssum saxatile Compactum*. Gold Dust. Hardy, compact growth, producing a mass of golden yellow flowers in early spring. Of easy culture and much used in rockeries. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 30c.

## 331—ANCHUSA

*Anchusa Italica*. Dropmore Variety. One of the most valuable of the recent introductions in hardy plants. The plants are very vigorous, the rough leaved stems growing to a height of five feet. The flowers are a beautiful, clear, bright blue, and are freely produced all summer, making a most striking plant in the hardy border. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 55c.

## 332—ANTHEMIS

*Tinctoria*. Golden Marguerite. Pretty, hardy plant with finely divided leaves, growing to a height of two to three feet. Bears, throughout the summer, an abundance of long-stemmed, golden yellow, Daisy-like flowers. Excellent for cutting. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 45c.

## 333—AMPELOPSIS

*Veitchii-Boston Ivy*. A small leaved hardy vine which clings closely to any wall or house forming a handsome covering of foliage. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c.

## 334—ANEMONE

*Coronaria*, Poppy Anemone. Pleasing hardy plants, fine for herbaceous border or bed, 10 inches high. Mixed colors. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 60c.

## 335—ARABIS

*Alpena, flora plena-Rock Arabis*. Charming low growing very early spring flowering plant, splendid for edging or for the rockery. Double pure white flowers. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c.

## 336—SHASTA DAISY

(*Chrysanthemum maximum*). Our many friends would be surprised to see the enormous size of these large-flowering Shasta Daisies. The plants grow vigorously and are perfectly hardy. The large white flowers are borne in the greatest profusion. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 65c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.20.

## 337—HARDY PHLOX (PERENNIAL)

No class of hardy plants is more desirable than the Perennial Phloxes. They will thrive in any position and be used to advantage in the hardy border, in large groups on the lawn, or planted in front of belts of shrubbery, where, by judicious pinching back and removing faded flowers, a constant succession of bloom may be had until frost. Pkt., 20c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 75c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., \$1.40.

## 338—HARDY CARNATIONS

A delightful class of fragrant hardy plants blooming profusely during May and June. They are indispensable for the hardy border and for cutting. It is advisable to protect them with a light covering of pine boughs or coarse straw during Winter. 1 to 2 ft. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 55c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., \$1.00.

## 339—DIGITALIS

(Foxglove). Tall, stately spikes of flowers in white, pink, rose; some mottled. They make excellent cut-flowers for tall vases. Should be in every garden. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 55c.

## 340—GIANT MALLOW MARVELS

(Hibiscus). Forms large clumps, 4 to 5 feet high, with immense single flowers, 6 to 8 inches across. Perfectly hardy, easily grown from seed. A mixture of white, pink and crimson. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  oz., 45c; oz., 80c.

## 341—HOLLYHOCK

Double Mixed. The perfect doubleness and large size of this magnificent flower will please the most critical. The seed has been saved from our own unrivaled collection of plants. All colors mixed. Pkt., 10c;  $\frac{1}{8}$  oz., 25c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., 45c.



Hollyhocks

WE OFFER A SELECT LIST OF PERENNIALS

**341½—GYPSOPHILA (Baby's Breath)**

Pretty, free-flowering, elegant plants, succeeding in any garden soil. Their misty white panicles of bloom are largely used for mixing with other cut-flowers.

**342—PANICULATA**

White flowers; fine for bouquets; one of the favorite hardy perennials; blooms first year if sown early. 2 feet. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 30c; ½ oz., 55c; oz., \$1.00.

**CERASTIUM, Snow-in-Summer**

**343—TOMETOSUM**

A very attractive dwarf-growing perennial, very useful for edging, rockeries, or for carpeting dry sunny spots or for covering graves. It is covered with white flowers in June. Foliage, silvery. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 35c.

**344—DOUBLE ENGLISH DAISIES**

(*Bellis Perennis*). Low growing early spring flowering perennials, indispensable for cool shady places. Seed started early in boxes should bloom the first year. Finest mixed varieties, including the large double Longfellow. Culture same as Pansies. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 50c; ¼ oz., 95c; ½ oz., \$1.80.

**345—HARDY CHRYSANTHEMUMS (OX EYE DAISY)**

An exceptional mixture of the favorite fall flowers richly dressed in colors of crimson, pink, yellow, orange, all the intermediate shades and pure white. You will have mostly single flowers, but many double and semi-double, some with plain petals, other recurved and twisted in beautiful array. You will certainly be delighted with them. Pkt., 25c; 2 pkts., 40c; ½ oz., 40c.

**346—HARDY LYCHNIS**

Excellent hardy plants, of easy culture, commonly known as Lamp Flower, Ragged Robin, etc. To obtain good flowers the first summer, sow the seed inside and transplant as early as possible.

Chalcedonica, Maltese Cross, Jerusalem Cross. Fine old-fashioned flower. Two feet high, with heads of brilliant scarlet flowers. During spring and early summer. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 30c; ¼ oz., 55c.

**347—GAILLARDIA**

GRANDIFLORA, Perennial Hybrids (Blanket Flower). Beautiful large flowers with yellow tips and crimson centers. Excellent for cutting. The plants grow 2 feet high. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 25c; ¼ oz., 45c; ½ oz., 85c.

**348—HARDY PINKS**

(Sweet May, Scotch or Clove). Every garden should contain a few clumps of these old favorites. Perfectly hardy, easily grown from seed. Pkt., 10c; ½ oz., 35c; ¼ oz., 60c; oz., \$2.00.

**349—MYOSOTIS OR FORGET-ME-NOT**

The hardy Forget-me-not delights in a moist, shady location. The pretty delicate blue flowers are freely produced in June and July. One of our most satisfactory hardy perennials for shady places. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 40c.

**350—LARKSPUR OR DELPHINIUM**

GOLD MEDAL HYBRIDS (Hardy Perennial)—Produce beautiful spikes of immense flowers, semi-double and double, from 2 to 3 feet in length. The colors are very beautiful, ranging from pure white through all the shades of lavender and blue, to deep purple. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 50c; ½ oz., 85c.

**351—CANDYTUFT**

SEMPERVIRENS—Extra fine for cemetery use, as the plants are a solid mass of white at just the time when flowers are most scarce. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 50c.

**352—COREOPSIS LANCEOLATA**

Large single golden yellow fringed flowers, on long wiry stems, fine for cutting. Bloom profusely in July and August. Perfectly hardy. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c.

**353—CORNFLOWER ASTER (Stokesia)**

Cyanea. This is not new, but is a rare and beautiful hardy perennial. The plant grows about 2 feet high, bearing from twenty to thirty handsome lavender-blue cornflower-like blossoms; in bloom from July till frost. One of the choicest subjects for the hardy border and indispensable for cutting. Pkt., 20c; ¼ oz., 40c; ½ oz., 75c.

**354—HARDY SWEET PEAS**

(*Lathyrus Latifolius*). Perpetual blooming Sweet Peas, fine for covering old stumps, fences, etc. Perfectly hardy, increasing in beauty each year. Valuable for cutting. Pkt., 10c; ¼ oz., 25c; ½ oz., 45c; oz., 85c.

**355—HARDY LOBELIA**

Tall-growing, hardy perennials with long spikes of brilliant flowers, unrivaled for permanent beds and borders. 2 to 4 ft. Cardinalis (Cardinal Flower). Scarlet. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., \$1.10.

**356—STATICE (SEA LAVENDER)**

Splendid hardy perennials, either for the border or rockery, producing all summer panicles of minute flowers, which can be dried and used for winter bouquets. Mixed. Containing many sorts. Pkt., 15c; ½ oz., 40c.

McLaughlin, S. D.  
Dec. 5th, 1925

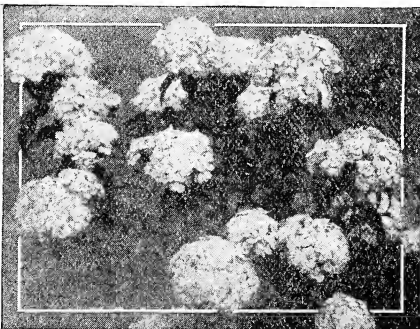
The Ransom Nursery,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Kindly send me your 1926 catalogue and price list of Cannas, Dahlias, Irises and Gladiolus, also bulbets if you sell them.

In 1922 I received a shipment of Irises and Cannas from you and they certainly were fine.

Very truly yours  
CHAS. H. HARTUNG



Sweet Williams



Delphinium

**357—GOLDEN FEATHER**

*Pyrethrum Aureum.* The golden yellow feathery foliage makes it a very attractive border or bedding plant. Dwarf and compact with pretty white flowers. It is half hardy, but treat like an annual. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 35c.

**358—ICELAND POPPY**

(*Nudicaule*)—Plants are of graceful habit, with fern-like foliage, producing their brilliant flowers in profusion all summer. Height 18 inches. Mixed. Pkt., 15c; 1/8 oz., 30c; 1/4 oz., 55c.

**359—ORIENTAL POPPY**

Gorgeous, showy flowers, measuring 6 to 7 inches across, of dazzling, brilliant colors, mostly shades of red. Height 2 feet. Mixed colors. Pkt., 10c; 1/4 oz., 40c.

**360—SCABIOSA (BLUE BONNET)**

*Caucasica Perfecta.* (2 ft. high. Lavender). There are few perennial flowers that are better for cutting than Scabiosa Caucasica. The flowers are a very beautiful shade of clear lavender, 2 1/2 in. in diameter and borne on long stems that are most excellent for cutting. We know of no flower that is the same attractive shade of blue, nor one that lasts as long in water.

The plants are hardy after once established and needs no protection, preferring an open sunny situation. One packet sows 6 feet of row. Pkt., 25c; 1/8 oz., 75c.

**361—SWEET WILLIAM**

(*Dianthus Barbatus*). For many years the Sweet William has been esteemed as one of the finest of our hardy biennial garden plants, being of easy culture and thriving in any good garden soil. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 25c; 1/4 oz., 45c.

**362—PANSY VIOLET, TUFTED PANSY**

The Pansy Violet, or Everlasting Pansy, is a charming flower for the hardy border, combining the beauty fragrance and free blooming habit of the Pansy with the hardy perennial character of the *Viola cornuta*, or "Horned Violet" of Europe. The plants do not "run out" like those of the ordinary Pansy, and may be left year after year in the same bed. The flowers, which are really medium sized Pansies, are produced in the greatest profusion the whole season, the plants enduring the heat of mid-summer much better than those of the true Pansy. Pkt., 10c; 1/8 oz., 25c.

**363—PEONY SEED**

Peony seed does not reproduce true to their parent, but produces different varieties of flowers, single, semi-double, and double. It is really worth while watching them from year to year, as many new varieties are produced in this way. Handle the seed in the same way Canna seed is treated described on another page. Our peony seed comes from the plant of a Japanese specialist, and we think is the best peony seed produced by anybody. Pkt., 15c; 1/2 oz., 50c; oz., 90c.

# Large Flowering Cannas

For beds on the lawn, where a tropical effect is desired, we know of no plant so satisfactory. They keep the yard and lawn ablaze with color. There are a hundred or more varieties in cultivation. We have selected just a few of the best and most distinct types and colors. We handle them only in dormant roots, which may easily be started in a box in a warm room, or in a hot bed.

**FIVE BEST CANNAS**

The following five Cannas are generally considered the best in existence.

**364—KING HUMBERT**

Four feet. Bronze foliage with brownish-green stripes, large and thick leaves. The large flowers, of the orchid type, are of bright orange-scarlet, streaked crimson. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.50; 24 for \$4.50, postpaid.

**365—QUEEN HELEN**

Identical with King Humbert in habit of growth and flowering, and produces yellow flowers, dotted with red, and has green foliage. It will please all who try it. Some plants will occasionally give a scarlet or scarlet striped flower. 5 feet. 20c each; 3 for 50c; doz., \$1.75; 24 for \$3.00, postpaid.

**366—EUREKA**

The genuine, practical White Canna is found at last. With the advent of Eureka, we are granted good, full trusses; broad petals; uniform, free and continuous bloom, and a clean, waxy, lily-white color. Plant growth sturdy, with nice foliage. 4 1/2 feet. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.50, 24 for \$4.50, postpaid.

**367—HUNGARIA**

A magnificent pink Canna widely used for large solid beds. The petals are large and waxy, made up into big round, full trusses. Its color forcibly suggests the well known Paul Neyron Rose, and is unquestionably one of the most popular pink Cannas ever produced. 3 1/2 to 4 feet. 25c each; 3 for 65c; 12 for \$2.50; 24 for \$4.50, postpaid.

**368—WYOMING**

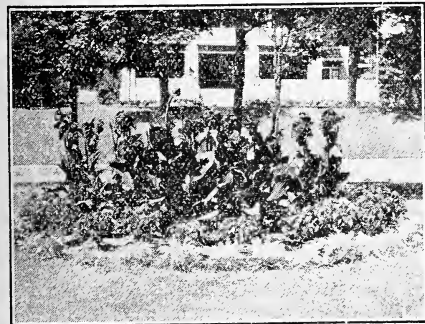
(Both Bronze and Orchid Flowered). A beautiful new variety, with rich purplish bronze foliage. Flowers are large as King Humbert, and of good substance; bright orange slightly rimmed and flaked with rose. 7 feet. 20c each; 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 24 for \$3.00, postpaid.

**368 1/2**

Set of one each of above Cannas for 75c, postpaid.  
Set of three each of above five Cannas for \$2.00, postpaid.  
Set of 6 each of the above 5 Cannas for \$3.75, postpaid.

**369—MIXED LARGE FLOWERING CANNAS**

Every season we mix a splendid assortment of new and standard Cannas for those of our customers who wish several varieties, without the expense of ordering named sorts, which we offer (our selection) at the very low price of, 3 for 25c; doz., 90c; 25 for \$1.70, postpaid.



Cannas

Holt, Mich., June 9, 1925.

Ransom Nursery Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

The barberry plants which I received from you this spring were fine. Would like your catalogue for fall planting.

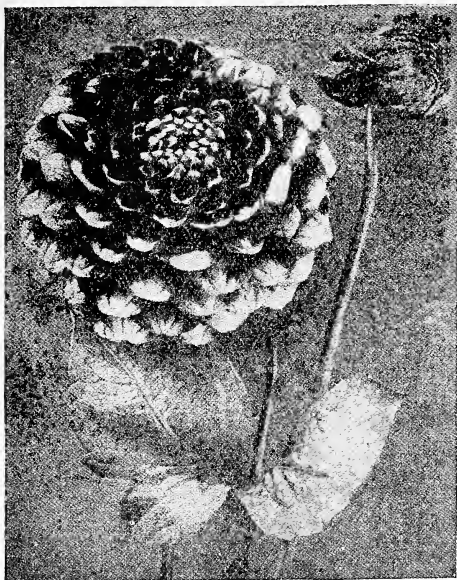
Sincerely,  
MRS. EARLE B. SMITH.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 20, 1925.

Gentlemen:

Your strawberry plants were fine.

F. E. HAPEMAN



Dahlia

## Extra Fine Dahlias

The Dahlia is one of the showiest of all autumn flowers. Of the many varieties we have selected the following as of special value. For best results start roots early in house. Plant bulb six inches deep, flat down, having sprout or eye facing upward, cover with soil an inch or so, apply fertilizer, and cover in level with soil.

**Note**—All Dahlias are supplied in strong, divided field-grown roots.

### Cactus Dahlias

The Cactus Dahlias have large, loosely-formed, Chrysanthemum-like flowers. The long, narrow petals are variously rolled or twisted. The flowers, many of which nod on long, slender stems, are the most graceful and artistic of all the Dahlias.

#### 370—J. H. JACKSON

In color a perfectly gorgeous, deep, velvety blackish-maroon. Gigantic size. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 371—PERLE DE LYON

A pure white exhibition variety of great value. Petals fringed or nicked, giving a unique appearance. 35c each; 3 for 85c; doz., \$3.25, postpaid.

#### 372—GOLDEN GATE

Its lovely, perfectly formed flowers are rich golden yellow. 35c each; 3 for 85c; doz., \$3.25, postpaid.

#### 373—MARJORIE CASTLETON

Outer petals clear rose-pink, changing to white toward the center. 35c each; 3 for 85c; doz., \$3.25, postpaid.

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**SPECIAL OFFER.** We will mail postpaid one tuber of above four Cactus Dahlias for \$1.00, three tubers of each 12 tubers in all separately labeled for \$2.75.

## Large Show and Decorative Dahlias

Great big blossoms, round, double and perfect to the center. No other double flowers can compare with these.

#### 375—MAUD ADAMS

(Ideal New Show Dahlia). This wonderful introduction is unsurpassed in quality in every respect; in reality a model of perfection. The color is a pure, snowy white, very effectively overlaid clear delicate pink. One of the finest of the Show type. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.00, postpaid.

#### 376—STORM KING

This superior variety is a very early and profuse bloomer. The flowers are snow white, of perfect form and full to the center. As a cut flower it is the florist's ideal, while for grouping or as a specimen plant it is one of the very best. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 377—JACK ROSE

So named because the color is brilliant crimson red, almost exactly like the General Jacqueminot rose. Popular because of brilliant color. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 378—A. D. LIVONI

Beautiful soft pink. Well formed flowers with long stems. Perfectly round, ball-shaped flowers, each petal being very tightly quilled and arranged in exact regularity. Free flowering. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 379—MINNIE McCULLOUGH

One of the most indispensable decorative varieties that is largely, but should be universally grown. It is entirely distinct, in a class by itself, on account of the combination of Autumn shades—the gold and red of Autumn leaves. The flowers must be seen to be fully appreciated. Especially effective under artificial light. Selected stock. 35c each; 3 for 85c; doz., \$3.25, postpaid.

**380—SPECIAL OFFER.** We will mail postpaid one tuber of above five Large Show or Decorative Dahlias for \$1.25; three tubers of each, 15 tubers in all separately labeled for \$3.50.

## Pompon or Bouquet Dahlias

Small perfect flowers, as round as a ball and double; a plant often shows one hundred superb blossoms at a time. They are unlike other Dahlias and charmingly beautiful and attractive.

#### 381—SNOWCLAD

The most prolific white pompon to date. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 382—SUNBEAM

A bright scarlet; very free bloomer. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 383—GOLDEN QUEEN

Bright yellow, free flowering. 25c each; 3 for 65c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid.

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**SPECIAL OFFER.** We will mail postpaid one tuber of above three Pompon or Bouquet Dahlias for 60c; three tubers of each, 9 tubers in all for \$1.50.

Gentlemen: Kintnersville, Pa., Sept. 10, 1925.  
Will you please send me your catalogue soon. Mrs. Santee recommended you to me, as she received some berries from you.

I remain, yours truly,  
ROBERT TOBLER & SONS.



## Peony-Flowered Dahlias

This beautiful type is now very popular. The flowers are very large, and are best compared with the semi-double Peonies in general form. They all flower very freely and are borne on long stems.

### 385—MRS. JOHN GRIBBEL

Rich salmon-pink, flushed with amber and salmon. The elegant flowers are produced early and continuously, the plants being almost smothered with blooms during the season. Excellent for garden or for cutting. 40c each; 2 for 75c; doz., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 386—LAVENDER QUEEN

An exquisite light lavender flower, its petals broad, twisted and delicate in coloring. Your garden surely has room for this queen among Peony Dahlias. Each 35c; 3 for 90c; doz., \$2.75, postpaid.

## Collarette Dahlias

The Collarette Dahlias have artistic single flowers with an additional row of short petals around the disc, forming a frill or collar, which is usually of a different color from the rest of the flower.

### 387—ACHIEVEMENT

The largest Collarette Dahlia in existence—a perfect wonder. The flower is a clear, rich velvety maroon; collarette a beautiful snowy white, very daintily overlaid with a delicate shade of pinkish-crimson. The remarkable contrast of the above combination of color, together with its ideal form and profusion of flowers, secures for this variety a supreme place in the Dahlia world. Price, 35c each; 2 for 65c; doz., \$3.50, postpaid.

### 388—MAURICE RIVOIRE

(Wonderful French Collarette Dahlia). The flowers are produced in great profusion on long, graceful stems, well above the foliage. The flower is a gorgeous, rich crimson with pure white collarette of short, well formed petals, perfectly arranged around the rich golden-yellow center. One of the finest novelties. Price, 35c each; 2 for 65c; doz., \$3.50, postpaid.

## Single Dahlias

These are more decorative than the finest Cosmos. No words can properly convey an idea of their real value and beauty both for garden and for cutting.

### 389—AUBRIGHT BEAUTY

A large, pure white variety. 30c each; 2 for 50c; doz., \$1.75, postpaid.

### 390—MAN FRIDAY

Deep maroon. 30c each; 2 for 50c; doz., \$1.75, postpaid.

### 391—HYBRID SEEDLING DAHLIAS

These have been produced by a dahlia specialist who has spent years in crossing and re-crossing, the finest varieties. It is useless to try and describe their beauty. To get the best results order a dozen or more. 6 for 90c; doz., \$1.60; 25 for \$3.00; 100 for \$10.00, postpaid.

### 391½—LILY OF THE VALLEY

Very small and sweet and dainty, the creamy white scalloped bells pendant along slender stems. They make up (with their broad shiny leaves) into dainty bouquets of fragrance. They spread actively from the roots and soon reclaim shaded cold ground which otherwise would be cheerless and barren.

Please do not confuse our prices with Lily of the Valley plants which are used for forcing by florists. We quote clumps which will give immediate results. 50c each; 3 for \$1.30; 6 for \$2.45; doz., \$4.50; 24 for \$8.00; postpaid.



Crimson Show Lily.

## The Best Hardy Garden Lilies

Lilies are of the easiest culture, and the varieties listed below are all perfectly hardy. After once being planted, they will increase in beauty and size with each succeeding year. Lilies do best on a well-drained sandy soil, which should be fairly rich, and the plants should be given plenty of water during periods of drought. In order to grow Lilies to large size the bulbs should be planted deep.

### 392—CRIMSON SHOW LILY

(*Speciosum Melpomene*). The flowers are of a rich carmine-crimson spotted with blood-red and narrowly edged with white. It bears its flowers in clusters of from 2 to 10. The flowers are 4 to 6 inches in diameter; 2 to 4 feet tall. Fragrant, blooming during August and September. 50c each; 3 for \$1.30; 6 for \$2.45; doz. \$4.50, postpaid.

### 393—REGAL LILY

(*Lilium Myriophyllum*). A new and rare lily from China. The flowers are white, shading to yellow in the center, with a pink tinge on the outer edges. A strong grower, some 3 or 4 feet high. It is deliciously scented, and it is equally hardy with the others here offered. Blooming size three year bulbs. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid.

### 394—HEMEROCALLIS

**Hardy Day Lilies.** The tall, graceful, grass-like foliage is very handsome and sets off the charming, lily-like flowers very effectively. They look well naturalized along streams and will thrive most luxuriantly in partial shade. So hardy they need no winter protection in the severest climates. For massing in the hardy border with other varieties of plants are shrubs it is unrivaled. **Fulva.** Coppery orange crimson flowers, 3 feet high, in July. Plant in spring or fall. 20c each; 3 for 55c; 6 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.80; 25 for \$3.25, postpaid.

### 395—YELLOW SHOW LILY

(*Henryi*). A most magnificent Lily with bright orange-yellow flowers slightly spotted reddish brown. The blooms come in clusters of from 2 to 20 and make a beautiful display during August and September. Hardy as an oak tree. 80c each; 3 for \$2.10; 6 for \$3.90; 12 for \$7.50, postpaid.

There is no economy in buying cheap seed, for cheap seed is generally poor seed and poor seed means poor crops—despite the labor wasted on them.



Gladioli

## Gladiolus

The Gladioli deserve a place in every garden, large or small, being of easiest possible culture. They make grand beds and the bulbs can be planted any time during Spring and early Summer.

From hundreds of varieties we offer the following as the choicest of their kind, all No. 1 bulbs, largest size.

### Red Shades

#### 396—BLACK PANSY

Rich, dark red Pansy-like throat. 3 for 35c; 6 for 65c; 12 for \$1.20; 24 for \$2.20; 50 for \$4.00; 100 for \$7.50.

#### 397—CRACKER JACK

Dark red throat, spotted yellow maroon. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 85c; 24 for \$1.60; 50 for \$3.00; 100 for \$5.50.

#### 398—HALLEY

Delicate salmon-pink, with a slight roseate tinge, the lower petals bear a creamy blotch with a stripe of bright red through the center. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 85c; 24 for \$1.60; 50 for \$3.00; 100 for \$5.50.

#### 399—PRINCEPS

Brilliant scarlet-crimson, carrying mostly three white blotches on lower petals. 3 for 45c; 6 for 80c; 12 for \$1.50; 24 for \$2.85; 50 for \$5.50; 100 for \$10.50.

#### 400—WAR

Deep blood-red, shaded crimson-black. A leader among the large reds. 3 for 45c; 6 for 80c; 12 for \$1.50; 24 for \$2.85; 50 for \$5.50; 100 for \$10.50.

### Pink Shades

#### 401—AMERICA

Soft lavender pink. 6 for 40c; doz., 75c; 100 for \$4.00.

#### 402—MYRTLE

A delicate rose-pink. The most beautiful pink yet produced in a gladiolus. 3 for 45c; 6 for 80c; 12 for \$1.50; 24 for \$2.85; 50 for \$5.50; 100 for \$10.50.

#### 403—PANAMA

An improved America, largest and most notable spike of bloom among all pink sorts. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 85c; 24 for \$1.60; 50 for \$3.00; 100 for \$5.50.

#### 404—RUFFLED GLORY

Salmon-pink, with crimson stripe in the center of each lower petal. The broadly expanded, wide open flowers are carried on straight, stout  $3\frac{1}{2}$  foot stalks. Each petal is exquisitely ruffled. 3 for 40c; 6 for 70c; 12 for \$1.30; 24 for \$2.40; 50 for \$4.60; 100 for \$9.00.

#### 405—ROSE

Very large flower, pure rose pink of extra fine shade. Narrow white central line on lower petals. 3 for 30c; 6 for 50c; 12 for 90c; 24 for \$1.75; 50 for \$3.25; 100 for \$6.00.

## White Varieties

#### 406—CRYSTAL WHITE

Tall spike, large bloom, many open at a time and is all its name implies. Very beautiful. 3 for 40c; 6 for 70c; 12 for \$1.30; 24 for \$2.40; 50 for \$4.60; 100 for \$9.00.

#### 407—WHITE KING

Tall, very rich sulphur-white, splendidly ruffled and nicely marked on lower petals. 3 for 35c; 6 for 65c; 12 for \$1.20; 24 for \$2.20; 50 for \$4.00; 100 for \$7.50.

## Yellow Shades

#### 408—GOLDEN MEASURE

Very large, dark golden yellow; the best in the yellows. Each 20c; 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75; 24 for \$3.25.

## Blue Shades

#### 409—HERADA

Blooms of immense size on tall, straight spikes. The large blooms are pure mauve, glistening and clear, with deeper markings in throat. 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.10; 24 for \$1.95; 50 for \$3.65; 100 for \$7.00.

#### 410—MARY FENNEL

Deep lilac, shading paler. Soft primrose yellow throat. 3 for 35c; 6 for 60c; 12 for \$1.10; 24 for \$1.95; 50 for \$3.65; 100 for \$7.00.

## Primulinus

#### 411—ALICE TIPLADY

A grand, large primulinus of most beautiful orange saffron color. Very choice. 3 for 45c; 6 for 80c; 12 for \$1.50; 24 for \$2.85; 50 for \$5.50; 100 for \$10.50.

#### 412—ATLANTIC

Tall, showy, brilliant orange salmon, light throat. Many large flowers open at a time. Distinct, showy and fine. 3 for 25c; 6 for 45c; 12 for 85c; 24 for \$1.60; 50 for \$3.00; 100 for \$5.50.

## Superfine Mixed Gladiolus Bulbs

Please note our mixed gladiolus contain also the Primulinus Hybrids in a wide range of color.

To those who want a choice assortment of Gladioli, at a nominal expense, and do not care for the named varieties, we recommend our Superfine Mixture.

#### 413—LARGE SIZE

In size from  $1\frac{1}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch and up in diameter, every bulb guaranteed to produce a fine large spike of flowers this year. 12 for 45c; 50 for \$1.50; 100 for \$2.75; 500 for \$12.00, prepaid.

#### 414—MEDIUM SIZE

Size about  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch in diameter. Healthy young bulbs, every one guaranteed to produce a nice spike, but not quite as large as the first size. 12 for 30c; 50 for \$1.00; 100 for \$1.75; 500 for \$8.00, postpaid.

NOTE—Order in quantities of 100 to 500. Plant at intervals from April to first of July, and you can have a continual supply of these grand flowers to decorate your home from July to October, at a nominal expense.

415—SPECIAL OFFER. We will mail postpaid separately labeled 3 bulbs of each of the above 17 superb varieties of Gladioli, for \$4.00. Regular \$6.00 value, 6 bulbs of each 90 bulbs in all for \$7.00. Assortments can be changed to suit customers if bulbs are ordered of the same value. That is if you should have one or two varieties we list and don't want any more of those, other varieties can be doubled up to suit you. Just tell us.

# Irises

## Invaluable for the Herbaceous Border

The Iris is a magnificent hardy perennial, in fact as hardy as the oak. They flower during a long period of time, and require practically no care; they grow in practically any kind of soil; they are inexpensive, and have the most beautiful and gorgeous colorings, which gives them a charm not possessed by any other flower. Irises love sunshine and with few exceptions should be planted in dry soil.

We ship only strong plants and sound bulbs, true to name. Every plant separately labeled.

### DWARF EARLY BEARDED HYBRID CRIMEAN IRISES

April and Early May Flowering 6 to 18 inches high.

These Irises are most suitable for borders of beds—followed by Intermediate varieties which are a little later; then a mass of Tall Bearded Irises with a background of Japanese. This manner of planting not only assures a great diversity of color effects, but a continuous blooming garden from April until August.

#### 416—CYANEA

S. rich bright blue; F. dark satiny blue, large, handsome. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 417—FLORIDA

S. citron yellow; F. deeper yellow, beautifully veined. 10 in. 20c; each; 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75 post paid.

## Intermediate Bearded Irises

### May Flowering

The flowers of Intermediate Irises are very large, most beautiful colored, growing from 12 to 18 inches high and bloom two weeks before the Tall Bearded Irises. Culture same as Tall Bearded.

#### 418—HELGA

Beautiful lemon yellow with pearl shadings. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 419—WALHALLA

S. light blue; F. velvety violet purple, an immense handsome flower. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

420—SPECIAL OFFER. We will mail postpaid 15 strong plants of Bearded, Japanese, and Siberian Irises in ten distinct choice varieties not labeled for \$1.00, 30 for \$1.75. If labeled add 50c; extra to either of above.

## June Flowering Irises

#### 421—AIKA

S. lavender whitish; F. veiled deep lavender. Large beautiful flower. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; postpaid.

#### 422—ALBERT VICTOR

S. beautiful soft blue; F. gorgeous blue lavender. A strong grower with large and beautiful flowers. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 423—ARGUS

A splendid very dark rich velvety purple, of strong growth. A beautiful and lovely flower. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 424—ARNOLDS

S. brown; very dark purple variegated in white. Very attractive for contrast in colors. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 425—BLUE JAY

S. bright clear blue; F. intense dark blue. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 426—BEAUTY

S. white; F. pansy purple. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 427—BARBARA

S. white faintly touched with lavender; F. white with touch of purple. Large and beautiful flower. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 428—CAPRICE

S. reddish purple; F. deeper and richer. Large and handsome. A fine wine red. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 429—COLUMBUS

S. ashes of Roses; magenta blue lined in white. Rich and beautiful. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50, postpaid.

#### 430—COTTAGE BOY

A rich flower of wonderful lavender blue, with a rich orange beard. Sturdy vigorous grower. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.00, postpaid.

#### 431—ELDORADO

S. yellowish bronze beautifully shaded with heliotrope; F. bright violet purple. The center is a rich golden yellow. A wonderful rich color combination. 30 in. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.00, postpaid.

#### 432—E. L. CRANDALL

S. pure white; F. white heavily bordered deep blue at base. Unusually attractive. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00, postpaid.



Hedge of Irises

SEND FOR SPECIAL IRIS FOLDER LISTING OVER 150 VARIETIES

**433—EMPRESS**

Orchid type. S. rich light yellow; F. darker yellow with heavier and darker gold stripes, heavy gold beard. Rich and fragrant. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**434—PRINCE D ORANGE**

S. full deep golden yellow; F. golden yellow striped brown. Very attractive. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**435—QUAKER LADY**

S. smoky lavender with yellow shadings; F. ageratum blue and old gold, yellow stigmas and beard. Rich and odd. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**436—QUEEN OF GYPSIES**

Late. S. dead leaf dusky yellow; F. blackish purple, at the base striped on yellowish white; held horizontally. Should be in every collection. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**437—QUEEN OF MAY**

A lovely rose lilac, almost pink, beautiful. 32 in. 20c each; 3 for 50c; 12 for \$1.75, postpaid.

**438—ROSE UNIQUE**

S. and F. bright violet rose, very near pink. A large flowering handsome flower. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**439—SUPERBE**

S. rich indigo blue; F. darker indigo blue with white veinings, orange beard. Tall, distinct, fine for cut flowers and mass planting. 35c each; 3 for 90c; 12 for \$3.00, postpaid.

**440—VIOLET QUEEN**

S. large, very dark, deep blue violet; F. lightly darker, blotted in brown. Tall vigorous plant. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00, postpaid.

**441—SPECIAL OFFER.** We will mail 20 choice varieties of Japanese, Siberian, and Bearded Irises, two plants of each, 40 plants in all separately labeled, our selection of varieties, regular value over \$8.00 for \$5.00, postpaid. Five plants of each kind, 100 plants in all for \$10.00, postpaid.

**442—MIXED BEARDED IRISES**

Many of our customers like mixed varieties. They come in wonderful shades of colors including many new seedlings. To introduce our Irises to many new customers we have made a low price. Order a collection. Fall or spring delivery. 15 plants \$1.00; 30 for \$1.75; 50 for \$2.50, postpaid. 100 for \$4.50, by express.

**443—SIBERIAN IRIS**

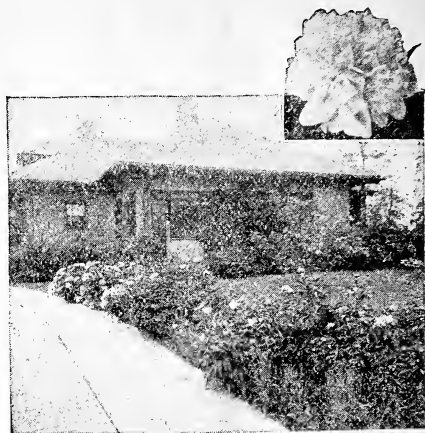
**ORIENTALIS**—The most delicate and graceful of all the hardy Iris. Forms large clumps with a multitude of tall flower spikes of the most beautiful flowers. Yale Blue. 20c each; 3 for 50c; doz., \$1.75; 100, \$12.00, postpaid.

**444—JAPANESE IRIS**

These Irises are semi-aquatic, and do best when grown at the water's edge. They are wonderful plants if planted at the margin of streams or ponds. They can also be grown on dry soils if the beds are kept hoed and free from weeds. In the past we have listed several varieties, but there has been such a demand it has been impossible to keep our stock up to the demand. For 1926 we will sell only fine mixed Japanese Irises, which comprise practically all the various colors, and in practically every case will be just as satisfactory as the named varieties. Plant either in spring or fall. 25c each; 3 for 60c; 12 for \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75, postpaid; 50 by express \$6.00.

**445 12 WONDERFUL PEONIES \$5.00**

Full size plants, selected from regular stock, grown by a peony specialist. You will be pleased with the wonderful range of color, in this collection. All peonies are standard divisions of 2 to 5 eyes.



Peonies. In Border

## Peonies

First of all in the list of hardy plants for size and beauty. As hardy as an oak, forming large clumps or bushes. Should be in every garden in the land. No matter how rich or poor you are, you cannot buy better varieties. Peonies must be planted early in the spring. Depending upon weather conditions all orders received which we think are too late for spring planting will be booked for early fall delivery.

Please send for our complete Peony and Iris list. Peony prices are all postpaid.

**446—MADAM DE VERNVILLE**

(Crousse 1885)—Center petals rose white touched carmine; guard petals sulphur white. One of the most charming white varieties on the market today. Splendid as a cut flower. Bomb type; early. \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.50; doz., \$8.00.

**447—ALBERT CROUSSE**

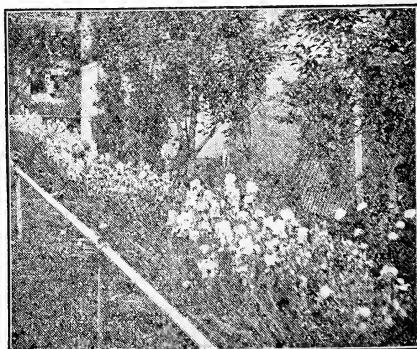
(Crousse 1893)—Delicate salmon pink. Late. Very large. compact bomb shaped blossom. Tall erect profuse bloomer. A beautiful variety. \$1.50 each; 3 for \$4.00; doz., \$12.00.

**448—LOUIS VAN HOUTTE**

(Calot, 1867)—Bright red of dazzling effect. Semi-rose type; late mid-season. An old favorite. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.00.

**449—DELACHEI**

(Delache, 1856)—Red. Late mid-season. Compact, rose type. Deep purple and crimson reflex. A very sure and free bloomer. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$6.00.



Hedge of Iris

# Hardy Hybrid Perpetual Roses

These are the beautiful "June Roses" so universally popular. They are the largest and richest in colors of all Roses, and are perfectly hardy everywhere. There are a hundred or more varieties, but in accordance with our established policy we have selected only six of the best varieties. They will be strong 2-year-old field grown plants that should bloom this season. Tops cut back ready to plant.

## PLANT SPRING OR FALL

Do not confuse our roses with little slips from greenhouses sold for a few cents each, and worthless for any practical results.

### 450—WHITE AMERICAN BEAUTY

(Frau Karl Druschki). Snow White. (Hardy June blooming.) This magnificent variety has taken first prize at all great flower shows of Europe. Splendid buds; immense flowers 4 to 5 inches across; perfectly double; delightfully fragrant. Shining green leaves, elegantly veined; healthy, vigorous grower; hardy. A constant abundant bloomer. The most beautiful snow-white hardy Rose. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 451—GENERAL JACQUEMINOT

Brilliant crimson; very large and extremely effective. A general favorite wherever planted. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 452—PAUL NEYRON

Bright, shining pink, probably the largest and finest. Finely scented and free blooming. Very desirable as a garden Rose. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid.

## Everblooming Hybrid Tea Roses

Two-year, Field Grown Plants. The great value of this class of roses is in their ever-blooming habit, producing their beautiful fragrant buds and roses continually from June to October.

### 454—GRUSS AN TEPLITZ

For intense and dazzling color there is no other rose to compare with this splendid kind. The flowers are large and handsome, moderately double, of splendid substance, and produces an amazing profusion of flowers during the whole growing season. The color is fiery crimson, shaded with a dark velvet sheen. A combination found in no other rose. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 455—KAISERIN AUGUSTA VICTORIA

The best white Rose in the world. This beautiful Rose has not only a royal name, but it is a royal Rose as well. It is a continuous bloomer, producing successive crops of buds, and formed with large petals of best substance; shows no center when fully open; color pure creamy-white. It far surpasses any other white Rose in all particulars, and has a much richer perfume. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 456—LOS ANGELES

A Rose of unusual beauty of coloring, being a luminous flame-pink toned with coral and shaded with translucent gold at the base of the petals. The flowers are perfect in form and borne erect on strong, branching stems. Growth is very vigorous and the long, pointed buds are exquisite for cutting. An entire bed of this wonderful Rose is not too much to have, for it is one of the finest and most notable varieties ever produced. \$1.25 each; 3 for \$3.25, postpaid.

## Ironclad Hedge Roses

A perfectly hardy, valuable type with heavy wood and shrubby formation, in wide use for hedges and hardy borders, or for mixed shrubbery planting. The foliage is attractive, dark green lustrous color, and is covered with clusters of handsome flowers which vary in size and construction, and which are followed by brilliant red berries. Especially adapted for cold climates.

### 457—RUGOSA ALBA

Came from Japan. Single, pure white flowers of five petals and highly scented, followed by pretty berries. The plants make a strong growth and are fine where a high screen hedge is needed. 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; 12 for \$6.00, postpaid.

## Hardy Garden Rose

### 458—PERSIAN YELLOW

Flowers medium size and very full. Color lovely golden yellow. 85c each; 3 for \$2.25; doz., \$8.00, postpaid.

## Hardy Climbing Roses

### 459—DOROTHY PERKINS

VIGOROUS, GRACEFUL AND FREE FLOWERING. Flowers produced in clusters—thousands of them on a single plant. (Hardy June blooming). Beautiful shell-pink, of sweetest fragrance, useful for many purposes, and giving wonderful satisfaction. Flowers are large size, borne in clusters and very double; the buds are remarkably pretty. Flowers are sweetly scented. An evergreen variety highly recommended. 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; 12 for \$6.00, postpaid.

### 460—AMERICAN PILLAR

One of the most favorable and attractive of the hardy climbers, flowering profusely in large compact clusters. The single flowers range from 2 to 5 inches in width. Brilliant carmine-rose with a slight cream variation and yellow stamens in center. American Pillar makes strong canes that grow upright several feet before bending over, therefore a magnificent hedge can be made with this variety without the necessity of providing a support.

In June the entire hedge becomes covered from base to tip with the exquisite, delicately fragrant blooms, entrancingly beautiful and very lasting. 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; doz., \$6.00, postpaid.

### 461—THOUSAND BEAUTIES

(Tausendschoen)—The most sensational climbing rose yet introduced. A single cluster of flowers is a bouquet in itself. Blooms profusely from the beginning of June to the last of July. Individual flowers of graceful form. The color is the most delicate shade of soft pink, changing to carmine on reverse of petals when fully expanded. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid.

### 462—GARDENIA

Bright yellow cream color when open; very fragrant and free; early flowering. This is the hardy Marechal Niel; double yellow flowering. 65c each; 3 for \$1.75; 12 for \$6.00, postpaid.

### 463—WHITE DOROTHY

A pure white sport of the well known Dorothy Perkins, of same habit of growth and freedom of flowering. A splendid companion for the pink variety, as it flowers at the same time. A most valuable addition to this class. 75c each. 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid.



Roses

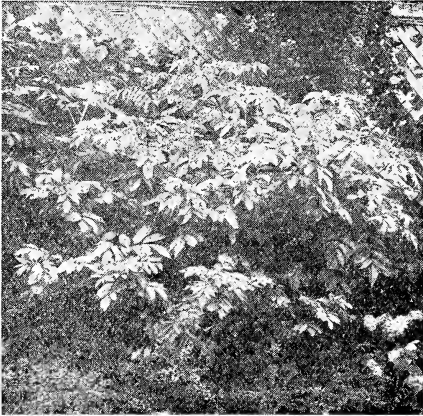
If You Should get Two Copies of Our Catalogue, Please Give One to Your Neighbor

# Hardy Flowering Shrubs

They are absolutely hardy and once planted, last indefinitely increasing in size and beauty year after year and lasting a lifetime. They supply that something which is lacking in every yard where hardy shrubbery is not planted. We recommend a liberal planting of this class of plants; they increase the value of the property, make the home more attractive—life worth living—giving satisfaction and contentment that nothing else can.

Every man's heart has a place for the old-fashioned flowering shrubs, and some of the new-fashioned ones are even more enticing. No home makes quite a home-picture without them. They complete and blend all the other parts of the composition, making a unity of trees, evergreens and flowers.

Plant Spring or Fall.



Golden Elder

## 464—DOUBLE ALTHEA

**Rose of Sharon.** Attractive hardy shrubs or small trees, easily grown, and forming symmetrical small trees 6 to 8 feet high; also grown as flowering hedges. Large, showy, double flowers July to October. Best double white. Large double red. Either of above strong plants 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; doz., \$5.00, postpaid.

## 465—ALMOND, FLOWERING

(*Amygdalus*). This beautiful shrub is one of the loveliest. The flowers are borne on its slender branches during May, and are very fragrant. Double-flowering; white. Strong 2 year plants \$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75, postpaid. By express 12 for \$7.00.

## 466—EVERBLOOMING BUTTERFLY BUSH

(*Buddleia variabilis magnifica*). Produces masses of bloom the first season it is set out, even the one-year plants. Its freedom of bloom, ease of culture, attractive deep violet-rose color and delightful fragrance create a demand for it everywhere. It gets its name of "Butterfly Shrub" on account of the number of butterflies always hovering over the flowers. Strong plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25, postpaid. By express, 12 for \$3.75.

## 467—SWEET SCENTED SHRUB

**CALYCANTHUS**—Of spreading growth, bearing throughout the Summer great numbers of double, dull brownish purple flowers of exquisite strawberry-like fragrance. The wood and leaves are also sweet scented, which causes it to be known as Sweet Scented and Strawberry Shrub. Strong 2 year plants 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; doz., for \$5.00, postpaid.

## 468—FORSYTHIA

**Fortunes Golden Bell.** Blooms early in Spring before the leaves appear. Flowers golden yellow, often with twisted petals. One of the best hardy early flowering shrubs. Strong heavy 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; 12 for \$4.00, postpaid.

## 469—GOLDEN ELDER

One of the best yellow foliage shrubs. Bears small fragrant white flowers in early summer, followed by clusters of black berries. Heavy 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., for \$4.00, postpaid. Large three year plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, by express.

## 470—BUSH HONEYSUCKLE

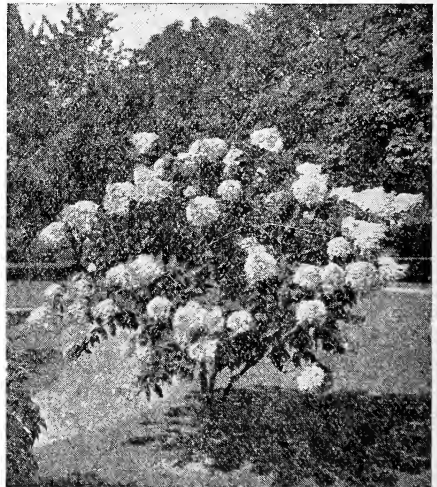
**Lonicera Tartarica.** 4 to 6 feet. Neat habit, glossy green foliage, and pretty little pink flowers in pairs ("Twin Honeysuckle"), followed by red berries. Strong heavy plants 65c each; 3 for \$1.60; doz., \$5.40, postpaid.

## 471—NEW HYDRANGEA

**"HILLS OF SNOW"** One of the Most Magnificent everblooming hardy shrubs. Immense snow-white panicles of blooms, literally covering the bush. Absolutely hardy, standing 20 degrees below zero without injury. Its long season from early June, through September, renders it doubly valuable as there is no shrub so grandly decorative. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.00, postpaid.

## 472—MOCK ORANGE

**Or Syringa (Philadelphus).** One of the very best of the old well-known shrubs. It seldom or never fails to bloom. The fragrant and beautiful waxy white flowers appear in great profusion in June. In shape and fragrance they resemble orange blossoms. Height 6 to 8 feet. Strong 1 year 35c each; 3 for \$1.00; doz., \$3.50, postpaid. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.00, postpaid. Heavy three year for immediate effect 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. \$7.00 by express.



Hydrangea Paniculata Grandiflora

OUR SHRUBS ARE ALL FIELD GROWN





Philadelphus (Mock Orange)

**473—DEUTZIA**

**Pride of Rochester.** Showy Japanese shrubs of the highest ornamental merit, and adapted to all good soils. Their clean foliage, upright dense growth, free flowering nature, renders them especially valuable. Double bluish white flowers in clusters along the branches in July. Heavy 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Three year plants for immediate effect 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00 by express.

**LILAC—Syringa**

The Lilacs are among the most popular and ornamental of the flowering shrubs, and no garden or park is complete without a collection of them. Some varieties are very fragrant while others are scentless.

**474—COMMON PURPLE LILAC**

(*S. vulgaris*). 8 to 10 ft. May. This is the oldest and best known type of the Lilac. From it have sprung most of the hybrids and seedling varieties which have made the Lilac as a class one of our most popular modern shrubs. Strong 2 year plants 65c each; 3 for \$1.60; doz. for \$5.40, postpaid.

**475—PERSIAN LILAC**

(*S. Persica*). 5 to 6 ft. May and June. A distinct species of rather smaller growth than *S. vulgaris*. The branches are slender and straight with smaller and narrower leaves. The bright purple flowers are borne in loose panicles. A very graceful form. Strong 2 year heavy plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

**476—COMMON SNOWBALL**

**Viburnum Opulus.** An old well-known, and popular large growing shrub. Covered in May and June with great snow-white balls. Strong 3 year 18 to 24 inch plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

**477—JAPAN SNOWBALL**

**Viburnum Plicatum.** One of the choicest hardy shrubs, of compact growth, 5 to 6 feet. Perfect balls of pure white in greatest profusion in June. Strong 3 year 18 to 24 inch plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00 postpaid. This shrub is a beauty.

**478—SNOWBERRY**

**Symphoricarpos Racemosus.** Neat shrubs of slender, graceful medium growth, having pretty, small, pink flowers in June, followed by waxy-white berries in summer, autumn and early winter. Heavy 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Three year 2 foot and better plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

**479—NEW VARIEGATED RED SNOWBERRY**

Here is a new type of Snowberry with beautiful variegated narrow leaves, the prettiest thing imaginable. This is not of our growing, but we ran onto it recently while at the grounds of probably the leading ornamental shrub propagator of this country. We liked it so well we purchased every plant available, and offer it to our customers with the full assurance it will please them. Massed with evergreens or other shrubs it cannot be excelled. Can offer only in one year size. Strong one year plants, 12 to 15 inches high, 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; doz. for \$3.50, postpaid. It grows rapidly and is perfectly hardy.

**WEIGELA, Diervilla**

The Weigela is a strong growing shrub, erect while young, gradually spreading and drooping into most graceful shapes with age. Its flowers, large and trumpet-shaped, are borne in clusters thickly along the branches. Blooms soon after Lilac.

**480—ROSEA VARIEGATA**

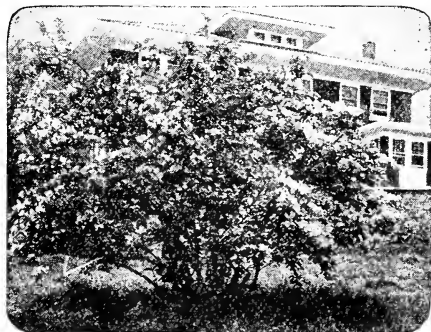
Leaves light green heavily variegated with a creamy yellow, making a charming effect, but it's beautiful when its myriads of long, tubular, rose-colored blossoms are out. Strong 1 year plants 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; doz., \$3.50, postpaid.

**481—ROSEA**

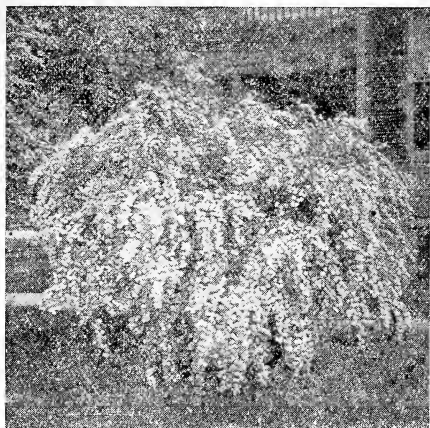
Hardy and very free-flowering variety that grows to about 6 feet in height; in May the unusual showing of rose-colored flowers makes it a conspicuous part of the general planting scheme. Considered one of the finest of the Weigelas. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Large 3 year for immediate effect 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00 by express.

**482—CORNUS SIBERICA**

(Red Winter Dogwood). A sturdy upright shrub growing six to ten feet high and of especial value for screening unsightly views. Cream colored flowers in numerous flat clusters are followed by berry-like fruits of palest blue. The bark of the new shoots is a rich intense red, giving a warm and brilliant effect in winter. Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. Heavy 3 year plants, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz for \$7.00, postpaid.



Weigelia



Spirea Van Houtte

## The Spireas

There is no more dependable shrub than Spirea. Its graceful foliage and growth and the beautiful blossoms are a delight the season through.

A selection of varieties, planted in masses or rows will assure continuous bloom to the end of summer. The early fall frosts touch the leaves with scarlet, which harmonizes beautifully with the surrounding colors of the fall plants.

Our stock of Spirea is unusually good this year and we have anticipated a large sale of this most desirable shrub. Tell us the effect you want to produce and we will advise kinds.

### 483—ANTHONY WATERER

(New Crimson Spirea). It outshines all the Spireas in brilliancy of color; a bright crimson. It makes a low, compact bush 15 to 18 inches high, and is covered nearly the whole growing season with large umbels of deep crimson flowers. Strong well rooted 1 year plants 35c each; 3 for 90c; doz. for \$3.00, postpaid. Heavy 2 year 18 to 24 inch stock 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 484—GOLDEN SPIREA

A rapid growing variety, 8 to 10 feet high, with masses of snowy white flowers drooping the branches with their weight; young foliage bright yellow, changing to golden bronze in fall. Strong 2 year, 24 inch plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., for \$4.00 postpaid. Heavy 3 year for immediate effect, 24 to 30 inch; 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., for \$7.00, by express.

### 485—SPIREA THUNBERGH

(Snow Garland). A Japanese variety of medium size, with narrow, delicate leaves and a profusion of small, white flowers in early summer. Leaves narrow, bright green, turning in autumn to orange and scarlet. Grows 3 to 4 feet high. Fine 2 year well rooted 18 to 24 inch plants 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 486—SPIREA VAN HOUTTEI

One of the most beautiful and graceful ornamental shrubs in the entire collection. Very largely used in all landscape work. Will fit in anywhere where graceful effect is desired. For ornamental hedges, in clumps with other shrubs, for borders in front of porch, or as single specimens it is always satisfactory. Strong 1 year plants 25c each; 3 for 60c; doz. for \$2.00, postpaid. Heavy 2 year plants average 2 feet and better 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid.

### 487—SPIREA DOUGLASI

A beautiful upright grower, with reddish brown branches and narrow oblong leaves, bearing spikes of deep rose colored flowers in July. Grows 7 feet high. This is a Spirea which would be more widely planted if people just realized what an attractive shrub it is. Fine well rooted 1 year plants 40c each; 3 for \$1.00; doz. for \$3.50, postpaid.

## Small Evergreens for Transplanting

We can offer our customers small evergreens for transplanting. They are not recommended for immediate use but to plant out into rows and grow on. Cultural directions with each shipment. These are planted both in the spring and early in the fall. There is good profit in growing these trees up. We offer the most satisfactory varieties, which are in largest demand.

### WRITE FOR COMPLETE EVERGREEN TRANSPLANTING LIST.

### 488—SMALL EVERGREENS

Seedlings two years from bed not transplanted.

	Size	100	1000
Balsam Fir.....	2'-4"	\$9.00	\$80.00
Douglas Fir.....	4'-6"	9.00	80.00
Mugho Dwarf Mt. Pine.....	3'-4"	5.00	45.00
Scotch Pine.....	2'-4"	4.00	30.00
Austrian Pine.....	2'-4"	6.00	50.00
American Arbor Vitae.....	3'-6"	3.00	25.00
Norway Spruce (Xmas Tree).....	4'-6"	3.00	25.00
Colorado Blue Spruce.....	4'-6"	11.00	100.00
Chinese Arbor Vitae.....	3'-6"	3.00	25.00
Jack Pine.....	2'-4"	4.00	30.00
European Larch.....	8'-10"	4.00	30.00

Three Year once Transplanted.

Balsam Fir.....	4'-6"	18.00
Douglas Fir.....	5'-7"	24.00
Mugho Dwarf Mt. Pine.....	5'-7"	10.00
Scotch Pine.....	6'-8"	12.00
Austrian Pine.....	6'-8"	13.00
American Arbor Vitae.....	6'-8"	12.00
Norway Spruce (Xmas Tree).....	6'-8"	16.00
Colorado Blue Spruce.....	6'-8"	34.00
Red Cedar.....	4'-7"	20.00
American Hemlock.....	5'-7"	20.00
White Fir (Concolor).....	4'-6"	25.00

Fifty of same variety and size at 100 rate; 500 at the 1,000 rate. Order in bundles of 50.

Evergreens are shipped by express. Can ship parcel post, postage collect. They are packed in moss and are not heavy.

### 489—JAPANESE SPURGE

(Pachysandra Terminalis). This is one of the few broad leaved evergreen vines that thrive in the north. The plant has thick glossy green foliage, which remains on the plant the entire year. Grows about 6 inches high, and soon spreads out and forms a dense ground cover. Thrives in shady locations and the only plant which will thrive under pine trees. Makes a fine low edging plant, and will do just as well in the sun. Strong two year transplanted field grown plants 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75; 25 for \$5.00, postpaid. By express 25 for \$4.50; 50 for \$8.00; 100 for \$15.00.

## Hardy Climbing Vines

ALL VINES ARE 2 YEAR FIELD GROWN

### 490—AMPELOPSIS VEITCHII

(Japan or Boston Ivy). Popular hardy climbing vine that clings to and completely covers any brick or stone wall. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz. for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 491—CHINESE WISTARIA

One of the most rapid growing of all the climbing vines. It grows from 15 to 20 feet in a season. Has long, pendulous clusters of pale blue flowers in May or June, and sometimes in Autumn. 60c each; 3 for \$1.50; doz. for \$5.00, postpaid.

### 492—HONEY SUCKLE

(Hall's Japan). An almost evergreen Honeysuckle of the greatest value, being hardy and of strong growth. The flowers are fragrant, of a pure white, changing to yellow, resembling a Cape Jasmine in odor. May to December. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.00, postpaid.

### 493—CLEMATIS

(Paniculata or Snowbank). Sweet-scented Japanese Clematis. Completely covered in September with a mantle of pure snow-white fragrant flowers. 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid.

WRITE FOR COMPLETE EVERGREEN LIST

493½

# The Best Hedge Plants

## CALIFORNIA PRIVET

Do you want to enclose your home grounds with a fence that will add beauty and attractiveness to the surroundings, and will never rot down nor rust out; but will become more beautiful and substantial each year?

### The California Privet Hedge is What you Need

Many plants or shrubs may be used with happy results and pleasing effects in making a hedge fence; but the great demand for California Privet proves it to be the most popular and satisfactory of all hedges.

### It Is the Best and Cheapest Fence

One hundred plants set eight inches apart, the proper distance for planting, will make a fence 66 feet long. Using our 18 to 24 inch size would cost only \$6.50. This is much less than any other fence would cost.

In addition to costing less than any other fence you could buy, it is superior to any fence you could build. If they are given fairly good soil they will grow dense and compact right down to the ground. It is free from insects or injurious diseases of any kind and may be pruned to any desired form or shape. Our plants are extra fine this year, are well branched, especially for hedge purposes and the price is very low. We will guarantee the quality of our plants to be equal to the best that can be purchased anywhere.

### It Is the Most Beautiful and Ornamental

There is no fence that adds so much charm and dignity to the surroundings of the home as a well kept hedge of California Privet. Go into the residence part of any of our great cities, and you will find this is the fence that almost invariably surrounds the palatial and aristocratic homes.

Plant in either Spring or Fall. If planted in single row, space the plants 8 inches apart. If planted in double rows, space the plants 8 inches apart zig zag from one row to the other.

- 2-Year Plants, 12-18 inches, per hundred, By express.....\$5.00
- 2-Year Plants, 18-24 inches, per hundred, By express..... 6.50
- 2-Year Plants, 2-3 feet, per hundred, By express..... 8.50

In small quantities we offer 2 year 12 to 18 inch 10 for \$1.00; 18 to 24 inch 10 for \$1.50, postpaid.

#### 494—HYDRANGEA PANICULATA GRANDIFLORA

This variety of Hydrangea makes one of the most beautiful hedges imaginable. For anyone wanting a flowering hedge that will not require trimming, we recommend this plant very highly. They are very hardy, have beautiful glossy green leaves, will grow under most any conditions and make a very desirable hedge indeed. Plant 12 inches apart in single row. It is also one of the finest shrubs for specimen planting on the lawn, for foundation planting or massed with other shrubbery. **Strong 2 year plants 50c each; 3 for \$1.25; doz. for \$4.00, postpaid. By express 50 heavy 2 year stocky plants for hedging \$13.50; 100 for \$25.00.**

Heavy three year for immediate effect, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 12 for \$7.00; 50 for \$25.00; 100 for \$40.00, by express.

#### 495—CHINESE PRIVET

(Ibota). This valuable new variety is more branching than California, with bright green foliage, and small clusters of fragrant white flowers. Its great value is for hedges or shrubbery borders. Absolutely hardy everywhere, and can be trimmed to any desired form. **2 year 12 to 18 inch 4 for 75c; doz., \$2.50, postpaid. By express 25 for \$3.00; 100 for \$10.00. 3 year 18 to 24 inch 4 for \$1.25; doz. for \$3.50, postpaid. By express 25 for \$4.00; 100 for \$15.00.**

**495½—Norway Spruce** makes a Hardy Evergreen Hedge, 8 to 12 in., 3 year transplanted. 10 for \$4.00; del.; by express, \$35.00 per 100.



California Privet Hedge—Planted Double

**DON'T WASTE MONEY ON CHEAP NURSERY STOCK. BUY THE BEST**

## 496—BARBERRY, JAPANESE

**NOTE**—This is not the Common Barberry and can be planted anywhere without danger of being destroyed by the government.

**Berberis Thunbergii.** We consider the Japanese Barberry the best hedge plant in existence. It is beautiful throughout the year; its abundant crop of bright red berries makes it even more attractive in the winter than the summer. Its compact growth and thorny branches make a defense hedge that will turn cattle after five years' growth. As an untrimmed hedge it requires no attention except an occasional cutting of a few straggling branches. The natural growth is so dense and even that it forms a perfect hedge without shearing, but if a formal hedge is desired, it can be made so by shearing; hardy, of easy culture, and will grow in any soil or situation. For a hedge, plant in single row, 15 inches apart.

During the growing season, the foliage of the plants is attractive, because the new growth, light green in color, is in sharp contrast to the foliage of the old wood, which is a glossy, dark, rich green. In the fall, the foliage turns to bright orange and scarlet, and persists until November or December, according to the locality.

The Japanese Barberry is hardy almost anywhere in this country; and it will thrive in almost any situation, even in partial shade. Poor soil is no barrier to its successful cultivation. Fine 1 year plants 10 to 12 inch, 4 for \$50; doz. for \$1.25; 25 for \$2.25, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$8.50; 200 for \$16.00.

Fine 2 year plants 12 to 18 inch branched, 4 for 80c; doz. for \$2.25, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$15.00.

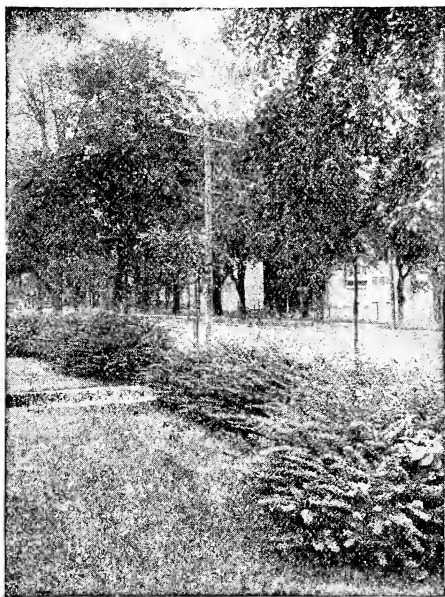
Heavy 3 year plants, 20-24 inch, 50c each; \$4.00 per 10; \$30.00 per 100, by express.



Althea

## 497—ALTHEA OR ROSE OF SHARON

There is no plant today more useful or desirable for hedge purposes than the Althea or Rose of Sharon. It has all the good qualities of any other hedge plant, some that no other hedge plant has. It is very hardy, beautiful in bloom, can be made either a tall screen or a low hedge, transplants very easily, and can be pruned to any desired form. 2 year 12 to 18 inch sturdy hedge planting stock, \$20.00 per 100; 25 at 100 rate, by express.



Japanese Barberry

## 498—BOX-BARBERRY

An improved Thunbergii type, available in every way like its parent, but with definite qualifications all its own. While the leaves are still green; its foliage is so round and dense and its growth so evenly compact, it bears a striking resemblance to Boxwood. Inheriting the barberry hardiness, it can be and is largely used in our northern latitudes to obtain a boxwood effect as rich and convincing as the real box in sunnier climes. Slower and lower growing than Thunbergii, its density allows closer trimming; so that, again like boxwood,—sheared specimens may be trained into perfect globes or pyramids, as well as in the conventional cropped hedge. 3 year 9 to 12 inch, 50c each; \$4.50 per 10 postpaid. By express, \$30.00 per 100.

2 year 8 to 10 inch, 35c each; \$3.00 per 10 postpaid. By express, \$20.00 per 100.

## 499

## Apple Tree Collection

**One and Two Year Old Apple Trees.** Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. This is usually due to good or poor crop conditions. We offer nothing but the very best varieties, so you are taking no chances on getting inferior stock. We do not like to have these trees go to waste, so are offering them to you at the following prices, OUR selection of varieties: 10 trees, 4 to 5 feet, 1st. class, \$3.00; 25, 4 to 5 feet, first class, \$7.00.

We will see that you get a good assortment and with the same guarantee as to quality as given all other trees offered in our catalog.

Above shipped by express.

HEDGES WILL INCREASE THE VALUE OF YOUR PROPERTY



Apple Tree Bud

## Apples

### 500—ONE YEAR 4 FOOT TREES BY MAIL POSTPAID

We recommend the planting of 4 foot apple trees. They are healthy, thrifty, well rooted trees especially selected, and will please you. Roots and a good branch to build your trees are what you want. They will come to you cut back ready for planting, unless you order us to the contrary. If a commercial orchard is set out with 1 year 4 foot trees, and given the same care an adjoining one set to heavy stock, the 4 foot 1 year trees will bear just as soon.

Price of 2 year Standard apple trees  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch, 4 to 5 feet, 75c each; \$6.00 per 10; \$50.00 per 100 by express.

Price of 1 year Standard apple trees 4 feet, 50c each; \$4.00 per 10; \$9.00 per 25, postpaid. By express \$25.00 per 100.

### 501—EARLY SUMMER VARIETIES

Early Harvest; Red Astrachan; Sweet Bough; Yellow Transparent. These varieties are too well known to need any description.

### 502—FALL VARIETIES

Fall Pippin; Maiden Blush; Oldenburg or Duchess; Rambo.

### 503—WINTER VARIETIES

Baldwin; Banana; Delicious; Fameuse or Snow; Grimes Golden; Jonathan; King; McIntosh; Northern Spy; Rome Beauty; R. I. Greening; Wealthy.

## Crab Apples

### 504—TRANSCENDENT

Medium large, oblate; golden yellow with blush; flesh firm, crisp, and bears early, September to October. 2 year  $\frac{1}{8}$  to  $\frac{3}{8}$  4 foot 75c each; \$6.00 per 10 postpaid.

## Cherries

### 505—BLACK TARTARIAN—SWEET

A favorite everywhere. Very large; purplish-black, solid flesh, excellent flavor. Early July.

### 506—EARLY RICHMOND, SOUR

Medium size, dark red; sprightly acid flavor. This is one of the most valuable and popular of the acid cherries, and is unsurpassed for cooking purposes. Tree a slender grower and is exceedingly productive. The most hardy of all varieties. Ripens in June.

### 507—LARGE MONTMORENCY—SOUR

A prime favorite the country over. Bright red fruit, larger and later than Early Richmond. For canning and preserving no cherry can surpass Montmorency. June.

Cherry tree prices: Strong one year  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 feet 75c each; \$7.00 per 10 postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

## Plums

The Plum delights in a cool, not too dry situation, and good rich soil. Plant trees 10 to 15 feet apart, in rows. The varieties we offer have been thoroughly tested and are stand-bys. These may be relied upon to furnish crops of this profitable and delicious fruit.

### 508—BRADSHAW

Fruit large; dark violet red; flesh yellowish green, juicy and pleasant; productive, vigorous. Middle of August.

### 509—BURBANK

No other Plum is so popular all over the country as the Burbank. Like the Abundance it ripens well after picked, and will keep for fully three weeks in good condition after ripening. Fruit very large, nearly round, and bright cherry-red.

### 510—LOMBARD

Tree vigorous, hardy and productive. Fruit of medium size, roundish oval, slightly flattened at the ends. Skin of a delicate violet-red, paler in shade; flesh deep yellow, juicy and pleasant. August.

Plum Tree Prices: Two year, 3 to 4 feet and up 75c each; 10 for \$6.00, postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

## Quinces

### 511—CHAMPION

Fruit large, fair and handsome. Tree bears abundantly while young. Flesh cooks as tender as an apple and without hard spots or cores; flavor delicate. The most valuable of all.

### 512—ORANGE

Large, roundish; yellow; cooks tender and is of excellent flavor. Valuable for preserves and flavoring. Productive. September and October.

Quince Tree Prices: 3 to 4 feet,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch \$1.00 each; \$8.00 per 10, postpaid.

## Pears

Any soil that will make a good garden, or produce good grain, will make a favored spot on which to plant Pear Trees. A strong, rich loam is the best place for them, and their range of ripening is such that it is possible to have ripe Pears to eat from early August till late fall, and some varieties to lay in storage that will keep till late Spring.

### 513—BARTLETT

Large size, with beautiful blush next to the sun; buttery, very juicy and highly flavored; bears early. August and September.

### 514—CLAPP'S FAVORITE

Large, pale lemon yellow with red cheek; flesh of fine texture, melting, buttery, juicy, with a rich, vinous flavor; good for market and kitchen; does well in all sections. August.

### 515—FLEMISH BEAUTY

Large, pale yellow, covered with russet, turning to reddish-brown when ripe. Flesh juicy, very sweet, rich and melting; a dessert-market variety. Tree very hardy, vigorous and fruitful. September.

### 516—KIEFFER

Medium large; yellow and crimson, with russet and brown; flesh firm and good when ripe. October.

### 517—DUCHESS

Among the largest of all really good pears. Buttery, rich, juicy, excellent. A greenish yellow, splashed with russet. Succeeds well as a standard, but grown as a dwarf it does better and is one of the most profitable for home or market use. We recommend it highly for home gardens and orchards. October.

### 518—WORDEN SECKEL

Medium size, golden yellow, with russet cheek; flesh fine-grained, juicy, buttery, with a rich aroma. Recommended highly as a dessert and market sort. Tree hardy and an enormous bearer. September.

Price of Pears: 2 year Standard  $\frac{3}{8}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  feet and up 75c each; \$7.00 per 10 postpaid. By express, \$50.00 per 100.

# Western Reserve Grown Peaches

Price of all varieties of peach trees. 1 year 4 to 5 feet, 40c each; \$3.50 per 10, postpaid. By express \$7.50 per 25; \$25.00 per 100; in lots of 200 or more \$20.00 per 100. 1 year 3½ to 4 feet, fine thrifty trees 30c each; \$2.50 per 10; postpaid. By express \$5.00 per 25; \$16.00 per 100; in lots of 200 or more \$15.00 per 100.

## 519—ELBERTA

One of the greatest peaches grown. Freestone. A beautiful extra large golden yellow peach with a brilliant red cheek, firm, juicy, highly flavored, rich and sweet. It is the standard of market sorts. The Elberta goes to market in better shape than any other. Elberta is the best money making peach grown.

## 520—LEMON FREE

Medium large, roundish; often with pointed apex; light yellow with greenish-white tinge and thick bloom; flesh yellow, tender and good; a fine canning sort. Tree a regular and prolific bearer. October.

## 521—NEW PROLIFIC

A large, yellow peach with rich firm flesh and small pit. It has all those fine properties that make it a prime favorite for canning. Plenty of wholesome fruit for breakfast spells good health. Start the winter days right by eating a dish of delicious canned peaches. September.

## 522—NEW ROCHESTER

Earliest and best yellow freestone for home or market. Ripens two weeks before Early Crawford, when there is no other yellow freestone of quality on the market; commands double the price of any other variety of its season. Beautiful golden yellow and red peach of immense size, is solid and heavy; very highly flavored, juicy and delicious; far sweeter than Crawford. Exceptionally hardy, more productive than Elberta and usually bears the second year after planting.

## 523—SALWAY

A mighty fine late peach and especially recommended for canning. It is also to be recommended for the quality of its fruit, productiveness under all kinds of conditions of soil and climate and because the fruit ripens late after other varieties cannot be had. MIDDLE OF SEPTEMBER.

## 524—YELLOW ST. JOHN

Nearly as large as Crawford, fully equal in color. Fruit round, brilliant, showy; one of the earliest yellow peaches. August.

## 525—CHAMPION

One of the finest freestone peaches. The fruit is large, creamy white, with a red cheek. The flesh is sweet, juicy, very high quality, and of excellent flavor. It is one of the showiest peaches in the market, is a good shipper and an excellent seller.

The tree is hardy and is productive, and a valuable peach for either the home or the commercial orchard. Ripens about the first week in August. It is the highest quality white peach known.

## 526 Peach Tree Collection

Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. We offer nothing but the very best varieties. We do not like to have these trees go to waste so are offering them to you at the following prices, OUR selection of varieties shipped by express.

10, 3-4 feet first class \$2.00.

25, 3-4 feet first class \$3.50.

100, 3-4 feet first class \$13.00.

10, 4-5 feet first class \$3.00.

25, 4-5 feet first class \$6.00.

100, 4-5 feet first class \$18.00.

You will get a good assortment, and the trees will be just as good as any we send out; and only varieties we list above.

Poplar Ridge, N. Y., May 25, 1925

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Dear Sirs:

I am not very strong on sending testimonials, but I feel it my duty to report that the 250 Howards that I received of you over a month ago are fine and look as though they grew there instead of being set. 246 of them are there now and look as good as though set from my own bed.

About the same time I sent to Michigan for 700 they had just as good a chance, but I have set in over 200 and they are still dying, what are left look as though they were sorry they didn't die too.

They seemed to have been heated either in transit or before.

Thanking you for such good treatment, I am sincerely yours

J. A. TITUS.

Poplar Ridge, N. Y.

Washington, C. H., O., June 1, 1925.

Gentlemen:

The strawberry plants and grape vines I bought from you are O. K. I want to add the goods I ordered from you was packed the best of any I have ever received, and I stand ready to recommend the Ransom Seed & N. Co.

Yours truly,

N. B. HALL

# Western Reserve Grown Grape Vines

## Plant Spring or Fall

One of the Most Profitable Fruits Grown. A Vineyard Will Last a Lifetime

We are large growers and propagators of grape vines. Our cuttings are made from bearing vineyards, and so are absolutely true to name.

Grapes should be planted 8 to 10 feet requiring 545 plants per acre.

### BEST VARIETIES

There are over 100 varieties of grapes to select from, but a great many of them have no merit, while others have too many bad qualities, which, in our estimation, disqualifies them for general use.

The market for grapes is far greater than the supply, and anyone wanting to plant an acre or so will find them a profitable crop to grow.

PLEASE WRITE US FOR SPECIAL PRICES IF YOU ARE PLANTING A COMMERCIAL VINEYARD, STATING QUANTITY WANTED. THIS WILL PAY YOU.

## Black Grapes

### 527—CONCORD

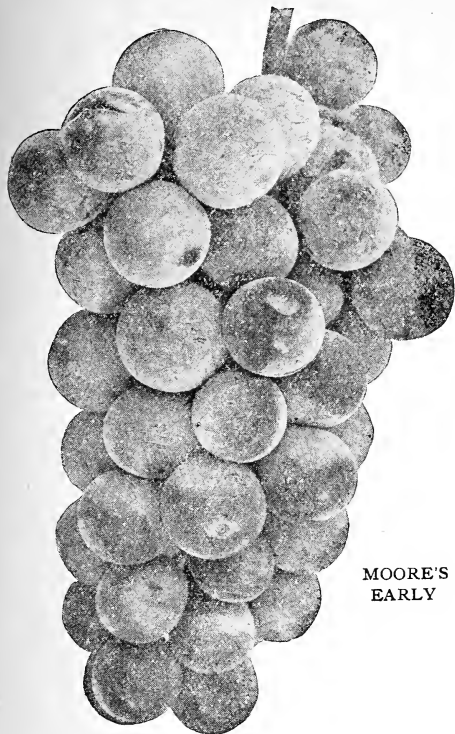
From sheer merit the Concord has become the most popular grape in the United States. Taking the country as a whole, more Concord is now in bearing than of any other variety. No other grape succeeds over such a wide area or in so many different soils. It is the standby in grapes. New varieties may come, but they have to work hard to reach the Concord standard for market purposes. Matures early, keeps well, ships well and sells well. Bunches big, berries are juicy, sweet and delicious. Concord overcomes local grape troubles and is safe to plant.

1 year No. 1, 15c each; 3 for 40c; doz. for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.75, postpaid. By express 100 for \$8.00.

2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; doz. for \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75, postpaid. By express 100 for \$12.00.

We Can Supply any Other Varieties of Fruit Wanted. Send Us Your List





MOORE'S  
EARLY

**528—MOORE'S EARLY**

One of the best very early Grapes. A seedling of the Concord, which it equals in vigor and hardness of vine, but ripens ten days or two weeks earlier than that variety. Bunch large; berry round and large, black, with a heavy blue bloom; quality good.  
2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; doz. for \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75, postpaid. By express \$12.00 per 100.

**529—WORDEN**

This is a seedling of the Concord and while its berries and bunches are larger and the fruit is of better quality, it is not as good a keeper and does not ship as well to distant markets. It is a superior variety for home use and for nearby markets, and on account of its high quality and large size usually brings a higher price than Concord. For home use we know of no grape of greater value. Fruit ripens one or two weeks earlier than Concord.  
1 year No. 1, 20c each; 3 for 50c; doz. for \$1.75; 25 for \$3.25 postpaid. By express \$10.00 per 100.  
2 year No. 1, 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz. for \$2.75, postpaid. By express 100 for \$16.00.

**530—HUBBARD**

The finest sweetest, earliest delicate black table grape yet produced. Ripening ten days before Concord, Hubbard is so rich in sugar it is excellent in flavor ten days before it is ripe. Bunches are extra large, compact, and solid, berry very large with few seeds. Vine is a vigorous grower, very productive often yielding 40 to 60 pounds to a single vine. The fruit is immune to rot, and has never been known to winterkill. It thrives on any kind of soil and should be in every collection.  
Strong 2 year roots, 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid. By express \$26.00 per 100.

**537—EXTRA HEAVY 3-YR. GRAPE VINES**

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.25; doz., \$4.50 prepaid. Concord Worden, Moore's Early, Agawam, Delaware, Catawba, and Niagara.

**Red Grapes**

**531—AGAWAM**

Deep red or maroon. The large meaty berries, which are borne in extra large, loose-shouldered bunches, are juicy and of a delightful aromatic flavor. Ripens about with Concord or a trifle later. Vine a strong healthy grower.  
2 year No. 1, 25c each; 3 for 60c; doz., \$2.00; 25 for \$3.75, postpaid. By express \$12.00 per 100.

**532—DELAWARE**

A choice table variety, and deserves a place in every vineyard or garden. Bunches and berries small but compactly set; light red with violet bloom; sugary and delicious. Early.  
2 year No. 1, 40c each; 3 for \$1.10; doz., \$4.00, postpaid.

**533—CATAWBA**

One of the longest keeping grapes in cultivation. Ripens late and can be kept in good condition a long time. Flavor sprightly and attractive. The bunch and berry is medium in size and red in color.  
2 year No. 1, 35c each; 3 for \$1.00; doz., \$3.75, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$16.00.

**534—CACO NEW RED GRAPE**

A variety of exceptional merit and should be in every collection planted. It combines more good qualities than any other variety introduced in many years. The Caco is perfectly hardy in all parts of the country. It has been pronounced by the best growers in America to be equal in quality to any variety grown either out of doors or under glass. It is the most beautiful of the hardy grapes, the bunches are large, well shouldered, color wine red with abundant bloom. Bunches are compact and of good size and form. Earlier than Concord and is sweet and palatable several weeks before it is fully ripe. The vine makes a very strong growth, hence is valuable for covering trellis or screen. Caco is beyond doubt one of the best of our native grapes.  
Strong 2 year 75c each; 3 for \$2.00; doz., \$7.00, postpaid.

**White Grapes**

**535—NIAGARA**

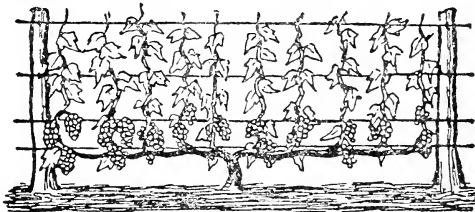
Home and market growers seem to agree that this is the most valuable of all white grapes. Its clusters are large and handsome, compactly filled with large berries having thin but tough skin. When fully ripe, they are a pale yellow with a thin white bloom. The flesh is slightly pulpy, tender, sweet and delightful, with a flavor and aroma peculiarly its own, and agreeable to most tastes. Vine is remarkably vigorous and productive. Foliage thick and leathery. Succeeds well both North and South, and is largely planted by vineyardists and for home use. Ripens with Concord. If left on the vines till fully ripe, they are delicious.  
2 year No. 1, 30c each; 3 for 75c; doz., \$2.75; 25 for \$5.00, postpaid. By express 100 for \$15.00.

536

**Grape Collection**

GRAPE VINES  
2 Year Old, 1st Class  
OUR SELECTION

Each season we have a surplus of some varieties and a shortage of others. This is usually due to good or poor crop conditions. We offer nothing but the very best varieties, so you are taking no chances on getting inferior stock. We do not like to have these plants go to waste, so are offering them to you at the following prices. OUR selection of varieties. So we offer 25 Grape Vines, all first class stock. No. 1 vines, for \$3.00. Vines are guaranteed as to quality and purity. Shipped by express.



One Pruning Method

# Western Reserve Grown Raspberries

Plant in Spring or Fall

## Black

### 538—CUMBERLAND

A mammoth mid-season black-cap that loads its stout, stocky canes with handsome fruit. Its great crop of rich, large, glossy berries outsell all others of their season, are firm enough to ship well, and of good quality. Is very hardy, having withstood 16 degrees below zero without injury. Ripens before Gregg. Plant for profit and you will not be disappointed.

Tip or 1 year plants 85c per doz; \$1.50 per 25; \$5.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 250 for \$7.00; 500 for \$13.00; 1000 for \$25.00.

Two year transplants, \$1.10 per doz; \$2.00 per 25; \$7.00 per 100, postpaid. By express 200 for \$6.00; 500 for \$14.00.

## Red Varieties

### 539—CUTHBERT

A remarkable, strong, hardy variety. It stands the Northern winters and the Southern summers better than any other variety. Berries very large, conical, rich crimson; very handsome and so firm that they can be shipped hundreds of miles by rail in good condition. Flavor is rich, sweet and luscious. The leading red variety for market and home use. Price 75c per doz.; \$1.25 per 25; \$4.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 250 for \$6.00; 500 for \$11.00; 1000 for \$20.00.

## Yellow Varieties

### 540—GOLDEN QUEEN

This variety is almost identical with Cuthbert, except in color, it being a beautiful yellow. Fruit large, productive; quality first class. It is beyond doubt the finest and most profitable yellow berry grown. The fruit sells well on the market and is grand to display along with the red varieties. It attracts much attention. Price \$1.00 per doz.; \$1.75 per 25; \$6.00 per 100, postpaid.

## Purple Varieties

### 541—COLUMBIAN

Very large, often an inch in diameter; dark red, bordering on purple; adheres firmly to stem, and will dry on the bush if not picked; of rich, sprightly flavor, the best for canning or evaporating, and probably the most productive of all raspberries. A most vigorous grower, canes ten to fifteen feet in length and often over an inch in diameter, strong and woody, its roots spreading and penetrating the soil to a great depth, thus enabling it to resist drought. It propagates from the tips, and never suckers from the roots. It is very hardy, enduring 28 degrees below zero without injury. Price \$1.00 per doz.; \$1.75 per 25; \$6.00 per 100, postpaid.

## Everbearing Raspberries

### 532—ST. REGIS

This new raspberry of recent introduction stands in a class alone. It will produce fruit from June until the berries freeze in the fall or early winter. The fruit begins to ripen very early and continues on the new canes throughout the remainder of the summer and fall months. Berries are a bright crimson, good size, rich, sugary, with excellent raspberry flavor. Flesh firm and meaty, a good shipper. Canes stocky, of strong growth, with an abundance of dark green, leathery foliage. St. Regis is a heavy bearer and has proven one of the most profitable of the red varieties. 75c per doz.; \$1.25 per 25; \$4.00 per 100, postpaid. By express, 250 for \$6.00; 500 for \$11.00; 1000 for \$20.00.

# Blackberries

Plant in Spring or Fall

### 543—MERSEREAU

This early, mammoth iron-clad blackberry originated in northwestern New York, where the mercury falls to from 15 to 25 degrees below zero, and the plants have never been injured. Berries are sparkling throughout and remain black under all conditions and circumstances. In quality it is exceptionally sweet, rich, melting and luscious, being without core. As a shipper and keeper, it is unsurpassed. The canes are of exceedingly strong, upright habit. Foliage large, abundant and entirely free from rust or blight.

Price of Merseureau. Strong 1 year, 5 for 50c; 10 for 90c; 25 for \$2.00, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$5.00; 250 for \$10.00.

Heavy 2 year, 5 for 60c; 10 for \$1.10; 25 for \$2.50, postpaid. By express, 100 for \$7.00; 250 for \$15.00.

## Dewberries

### 544—LUCRETIA

The most largely grown of all the Dewberries for home or market. It is a trailing species of Blackberry. It is earlier than the earliest Blackberry, and larger than the largest of them. The trailing canes are hardy everywhere and free from disease. The fruit is superb, large and handsome; jet black, sweet and melting. 6 for 50c; 12 for 90c; 50 for \$2.50; 100 for \$4.50, postpaid; 1000 by express, \$25.00.

# Currants

Experience teaches that a cool, moist soil is best adapted to the growth of currants. Strong, moist loams, with a considerable mixture of clay, are good. Even, well drained, stiff clay will give good results.

The pruning is simple, but very important. The younger the wood, the finer the fruit. It is absolutely necessary, however, that a fair supply of the old wood be left in order to insure productiveness. No wood over three years old should be allowed to remain. Plants should be set in rows six feet wide and about three feet apart in the row. Twenty-five hundred can be planted to the acre.

### 545—IMPROVED WILDER

It is the only variety of Red Currant we now offer. It has everything in its favor, the bushes are strong growers, upright, immensely productive, a sure bearer every year, clusters and berries are very large, of attractive bright red color. Excellent quality with mild sub-acid flavor. Ripens early and remains bright and firm until late. We have found it so much superior to Perfection have discontinued that variety.

Price 1 year, 15c each; \$1.25 per 10; \$2.50 per 25; postpaid. By express, \$8.00 per 100.

2 year, 20c each; \$1.75 per 10; \$3.75 per 25, postpaid. By express, \$11.00 per 100.

### 546—WHITE GRAPE CURRANT

This is the best of all white currants. It is an excellent dessert variety because of its mildly acid flavor and large handsome clusters of golden green or white berries. It is very prolific. Price 1 year 20c each; \$1.50 per 10; postpaid; \$12.00 per 100 by express; 2 year 25c each; \$2.00 per 10, postpaid; \$15.00 per 100 by express.

LET US QUOTE QUANTITY PRICES ON CURRANTS. THIS IS A VERY PROFITABLE CROP AND A SURE ONE.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Owing to White Pine Blister quarantine, no orders for Currants or Gooseberries will be accepted from the following states:

Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, California, Wyoming, Utah, Arizona, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Georgia, New Hampshire, South Carolina and West Virginia.

# Western Reserve Grown Strawberry Plants

Plant in Spring or Fall

We are offering only the very best varieties, all mediocre sorts have been discarded.

## Early Varieties

### 547—PREMIER

Has not yet been Equalled as an Early Berry. The wonderful productive berry that is putting new life into the strawberry industry. Demand for this variety is increasing from all parts of the United States. The berry is very large in size and beautifully formed, bright red through and through, very delicious in flavor and a splendid shipper. It is the money making berry of all early varieties. Perfect flowering. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.00; 250 for \$2.25; 500 for \$4.00; 1000 for \$7.50, postpaid.

### 548—EARLY OZARK

(P). Strong, sturdy plants with rich leathery foliage, very productive, of deep red, firm berries that ripen all in a couple of weeks. The berries are deep red clear through, very firm and fine for shipping or for canning. Resembles old Wilson in many ways, but larger and fully equal to it as a canner and shipper. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.00; 250 for \$2.25; 500 for \$4.00; 1,000 for \$7.50, postpaid.

## Mid-Season Varieties

### 549—RANSOM'S NEW GIANT WONDER

(Largest strawberry grown, perfect flowering.) This new variety is the largest and most productive strawberry grown at the present time; it is also the sweetest and finest flavored of any variety, and holds up its size even to the last picking. Nine berries make a ayer in a full sized quart box. The berries ripen without hollow centers or green tips; it will produce more than five times as many large berries to the row than any other variety. This berry is in a class by itself, as there are no berries like them. It has a wonderful root system which enables the plant to bring enorm us loads of fruit to maturity in dry seasons, where many other kinds would prove a failure. It will pay you big to place such a splendid berry on your home market. 25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75; 100 for \$3.25; 250 for \$7.00, postpaid.

### 550—RANSOM'S IMPROVED HOWARD

There has been considerable discussion about the Howard resembling the Premier. The strain of Howard which we have bred for the past several years no more resembles the Premier than a Chinaman does an Englishman. In the first place it succeeds where Premier and Dunlap would be total failures, the root system is larger than Premier, berries are roundish, and larger than Premier red through to the center, and about one week later than Premier, and continues in bearing longer than any June variety. It is the sturdiest grower of any berry we have, with heavy dark green foliage. A fine shipper, and a big money maker. This variety needs no petting, is at home on sand, clay or black land. This berry has absolutely not a flaw. If you grow it once, you will continue fruiting it. Perfect flowering. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.25; 250 for \$2.50; 500 for \$4.50; 1,000 for \$8.50 postpaid.

### 551—GIBSON

(Perfect). The fruit is very large, conical, bright red clear through, very firm, of excellent quality, fine for table use or canning, and is equally good for market. The plants are exceptionally strong, healthy, vigorous upright growers, with an abundance of rampant dark green foliage. It produces a splendid root system and is a good drought resister. The Gibson is a strong pollenizer, and the heaviest plant maker of any of the large growing varieties. It is well adapted to the narrow matted row or hill system. We have great faith in this variety, and shall make a large planting another spring. 25 for 50c; 100 for \$1.10; 250 for \$2.35; 500 for \$4.35; 1,000 for \$8.00, postpaid.

## Very Late Varieties

### 552—BIG LATE

(Imp.) Bright red glossy berries which have a fine flavor and aroma difficult to describe. It is unequalled for shipping as the berries keep in excellent condition for several days after picking. It is of great size and the plants are very prolific. Its foliage grows tall and spreading. One of the last strawberries to ripen. It should be planted with a good perfect flowering variety. Eaton is a good fertilizer for Big Late. 25 for 70c; 100 for \$1.75; 250 for \$3.25; 500 for \$5.50; 1,000 for \$10.00, postpaid.

### 553—EATON

Perfect. This is our fourth season fruiting this splendid new variety. The berries are very large smooth, the firmest berry we have ever seen, and of a beautiful dark glossy red which extends clear to the center of the berry, juicy, and of fine flavor. Light colored berries are out of date and a thing of the past in all markets. No berry on our list can beat the Eaton for canning, preserves and jell. The plants have a splendid root system, and are clean thrifty growers. Do not fail to plant Eaton you will never regret it. 25 for 70c; 100 for \$1.75; 250 for \$3.25; 500 for \$5.50; 1,000 for \$10.00, postpaid.

## Fall-Bearing or Everbearing Varieties

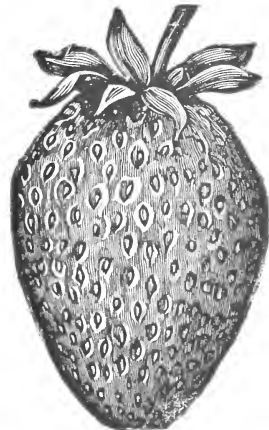
Many people used to think that Everbearing Strawberries were a fraud but we now know this is not true. Everbearing Strawberries, if given plenty of water, will yield you great crops the first year they are planted and will keep on doing their bit clear up until frost strikes them.

### 554—IMPROVED PROGRESSIVE

Berry resembles Dunlap in size and shape and color. Good yielding and one of the first successful Everbearing ever introduced. By planting the Improved Progressive you will get berries clear up until snow flies. 25 for 75c; 50 for \$1.25; 100 for \$2.00; 200 for \$3.50; 500 for \$7.00; 1,000 for \$12.00, postpaid.

### 555—\$1.00 Postpaid

25 Premier	25 Eaton
25 Improved Howard	25 Progressive



Premier

# YUCCA filamentosa variegata

(Variegated Adam's Needle)



A unique addition to the plant world now being put on the market for the first time. Stock direct from originator.

Forms a mass of broad sword-like, evergreen foliage broadly margined creamy white; flowers creamy white, bell shaped, branching from a large flower stem four feet high. June and July. Each 75c, per ten \$6.50, postpaid; 50 by express, \$25.00.

## THE OLD HOME FARM

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Geneva, Ohio. March 16, 1925

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

I have ordered grape vines and seeds from you for several seasons with such fair treatment and satisfactory results, that I am coming back. Enclosed please find check to cover cost of the following, which please forward.

Yours very truly,

W. M. PATTON.

Carlinville, Ill., Oct. 15, 1925

Ransom Seed & N. Co.,  
Geneva, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

I have planted more than 20,000 Iris bulbs this fall getting bulbs from 5 different states.

Permit me to say that the plants from your nursery were packed better, seemed to have had more care expended on them, and pleased me better than from any other place. I thank you for your courteous and prompt attention to my orders.

W. B. OTWELL

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