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SUCCESS

He has achieved success who has lived well, laughed often, and loved much; who has gained the respect of intelligent men, and the love of little children; who has filled his niche and accomplished his task; who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem, or a rescued soul; who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty, or failed to express it; who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had; whose life was an inspiration; whose memory a benediction.

—BESSIE A. STANLEY.

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Greeting

Friends, I'll tell you what we'll do,
You think of me and I'll think of you.

Please read what my customers think of the stock I send them. Yes, a pleased customer certainly is the best advertisement.

RICHMOND, VA., Aug. 25, 1924.

The iris received from you are the best roots I have ever gotten from anyone.

AMESBURY, MASS., Aug. 28, 1924.

The iris arrived in O.K. condition, and certainly you do not exaggerate as to the quantity and quality you deliver. It is without exception the best bunch of plants I ever received from any nursery, and I have bought a lot. Many thanks for your promptness in shipping.

MARQUETTE, MICH.

Please send me your catalogue. Mr. ——— assures me your plants are lovely.

ST. ALBANS, VT., Oct. 20, 1924.

Peonies received, very nice roots. This little order was sent to you on the recommendation of H———. We, however, sent you a small order last year and received the same good treatment. Thank you.

WEST CHESTER, PA., March 28, 1925.

Ever since receiving the irises from you in the fall of 1923 I have been intending writing and telling you how well pleased I was with your plants; there were fourteen, and twelve of them bloomed last year. I sent an order to another firm of national reputation and the plants were no comparison to yours. Am sending a larger order this time.

UNION HILL, N. J., Oct. 14, 1924.

Peonies arrived today, wonderful looking roots. Thanks for promptness.

DEERFIELD, MASS., Nov. 22, 1924.

My small order was received promptly, and I must express my great satisfaction with the quality. I hardly see how they could have been better.

TUNSTALL, VA., Oct. 7th, 1924.

I've been so pleased with all I've gotten from you, that I am sending the enclosed order.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., Oct. 6, 1924.

I thank you for the quality of stock and generosity in count evidenced in my last purchase from you.

ZAREPHATH, N. J., May 23, 1925.

The box of iris and phlox came duly to hand and I am delighted with them. I had not expected any such generous treatment as this, though I knew of your far-famed liberality in the matter of filling orders. I am having the time of my life, etc.

ASHLAND, WIS., July 23, 1924.

The 100 (and more) iris roots came in due season. They looked as if they had been dug up in another section of this city and delivered within an hour of digging. No one would think they came half across the continent.

MASON CITY, IA., July 24, 1924.

Your iris reached me in perfect condition and I was more than pleased with them. Every bulb bloomed this spring, and I am so pleased with my flowers.

NEW YORK, N. Y., July 14, 1924.

Iris received. I have found most nurserymen generous, but was certainly impressed at the size, quantity and quality sent me, and I thank you for the same.

VALPARAISO, IND., Oct. 30, 1924.

The iris and phlox came yesterday. I send many places for plants, but I can truly say that I never was so pleased with plants from *any* place before. . . . I was afraid to send so far for iris, but your promptness was amazing. I could place several of your catalogues to advantage.

PETERSBURG, VA., Sept. 22, 1924.

The iris that I have gotten from you have done so well, that I am not going to be satisfied until I have at least one of every kind you have.

LARNED, KAN., Aug. 22, 1924.

Last fall you sent me some peonies. Of the 27 only three failed to bloom this spring, the other 24 having 3 to 7 blossoms each. I wish to thank you for your generosity and to say that I was more than pleased with the quality of the roots.

ROCHESTER, MINN., April 21, 1925.

The plants reached me today. They are in excellent condition, and are exceedingly fine large roots. I thank you for your promptness and kind attention in this matter.



PEONIES

WORDS cannot describe the beauty of the modern peony. Only those who have seen the recent introductions have any conception of its charms, with flowers four to eight inches in diameter, on long, stiff stems, in the greatest possible variety of color and form, many of them equal to the rose or carnation in delicious fragrance. Hardy as an oak, and once planted in good soil they require very little attention. No roots to take up each Fall and plant in the Spring; when once planted

all is done, each year adding to the size and beauty. "Massive without being coarse; fragrant without being pungent; grand without being gaudy; various in form and color, beyond the possibility of being successfully superseded, it stands in the front rank of hardy flowers."

PLANTING AND CULTIVATION

While the peony will grow and flower under conditions which would be fatal to most plants, it will freely respond to liberal treatment; and if the best flowers are wanted, it will pay to plant in well prepared ground and keep them well cultivated and enriched. If it can be obtained, use a liberal quantity of well rotted stable manure, thoroughly mixing it with the soil. Never allow fresh manure to come in contact with the roots, although it may be put on top of the ground as a mulch. Ground bone and wood ashes are excellent. A commercial fertilizer strong in potash is good.

Plant three feet apart, with the eyes about three inches under ground. Too deep planting may cause shy flowering.

TIME TO PLANT

Peonies may be planted in the Fall any time after the first of September until the ground freezes, or early in the Spring, although the best time is during September and October, since they then have time to form new roots and get a good hold of the soil before winter.

DO NOT EXPECT TOO MUCH AT FIRST

Peonies when transplanted do not fully recover and produce typical flowers until the second or third year.

If large flowers are wanted, pick off all but the central bud on each stem; before and during the flowering season be sure that they have an abundance of water. If the flowers are cut before they are opened and put in water in the house, they will be larger and brighter colored and keep longer than if allowed to open in the sun. Make a new cut on the stem and give fresh water every day.

When cutting flowers, especially from young plants, do not cut too near the ground, but leave as much foliage as possible, because the leaves are necessary for root growth. The

leaves gather certain gases from the air, while the roots take up plant food from the soil in the form of salts, and the assimilating is done by leaves. Leaves are as necessary to plant life as lungs are to animal life.

VARIETIES — TRUE TO NAME

Instead of a long list of varieties, regardless of quality, it is our aim to offer the best of different colors and types covering the flowering season from the earliest to the latest.

We spare no effort to keep our stock healthy and true to name.

SERVICE AND PRICES

A pleased customer is our greatest asset, and we try to give service that will increase our assets yearly. We are not satisfied until our patrons are more than satisfied, as we realize that our success depends more on the service we give than on the profit we make.

We have put our prices as low as is consistent with good stock true to name. Not so much depends on what you pay as on what you get. See what our customers say.

Please do not send an order for less than one dollar. Due to the expense of digging and packing they can be filled only at a loss.

We keep no books, so please send cash with order.

HOW TO REACH US

We are located on Cedar Street, just off Worcester Street (old Worcester turnpike), about one mile east of Wellesley Hills Square. Boston and Worcester electric cars pass within two minutes' walk of our grounds.

Automobiles coming from the Newtons via Washington Street should bear to the left on Wales Street at the foot of the hill approaching Lower Falls — cross the river — up hill a few hundred feet — left under stone bridge, then keep along Cedar Street to the nurseries. From Needham, keep along Hunnewell Street to Cedar Street, or Webster Street to Hurd's Corner, then Cedar Street.

EVERYBODY WELCOME

PRICE LIST

The figures preceding the name show the value rating established by vote of the American Peony Society (see Bulletin No. 14), 10.0 showing as near perfection as has been reached; 7.0 fairly good, while anything rating less than 5.0 is not considered worth growing.

7.4 — ADMIRAL TOGO (Hollis 1907). Medium, compact, flat, semi-rose type. Unusually dark crimson-carmine, uniform color throughout, without silver tips; does not fade. Medium height, strong, erect, free bloomer. Midseason **\$1.50**

8.5 — ADOLPHE ROUSSEAU (Dessert and Mechin 1890). Large semi-double; purplish garnet. Tall grower, free bloomer. Early **2.00**

8.6 — ALBERT CROUSSE (Crousse 1893). Very large flat bomb, fresh pink. Very desirable. Late, **1.00**

7.1 — ALEXANDRE DUMAS (Guerin 1862). Light violet-rose, crown. Creamy white collar of narrow petals, mingled with the wide center petals. Fragrant. Medium height, free bloomer. Early midseason. **.75**

8.8 — ALSACE-LORRAINE (Lemoine 1906). Very large, flat flower with petals arranged like those of a water-lily. Creamy white with a golden halo. Tall, and a free bloomer **5.00**

8.1 — ASA GRAY (Crousse 1886). Pale lilac sprinkled with minute dots of deeper lilac. Large rose shape; very fragrant. Midseason **1.50**

AUGUSTE DESSERT (Dessert 1920). Cup-shaped flower of fine form, with rounded petals, velvety crimson-carmine, very brilliant, with silvery reflex and often streaked white; very large, silvery border; visible stamens intermixed with the petals in many flowers. A superb variety. **20.00**

5.8 — AUGUSTE MIELLEZ. Large compact rose type; carmine rose, tipped silver, strong grower, free bloomer. Medium height. Late midseason **.75**

7.3 — AUGUSTE VILLAUME (Crousse 1895). Late. Rose type. Dark violet-rose. Large, compact and globular. Tall and vigorous **1.00**

8.0 — AURORE (Dessert 1904). Large, flat, loose, semi-rose type, lilac-white, collar lighter, center flecked with crimson; stamens prominent. Medium tall, compact. Late **1.50**

8.7 — AVALANCHE (Crousse 1886). Large compact crown; creamy white collar, center tinted lilac white, center petals delicately edged with carmine. Late **1.00**

- 9.0 — BARONESS SCHROEDER** (Kelway 1899). Very large, globular, rose type, flesh white, fading to milk white. Fragrance XX. Tall, strong growth, very free bloomer. Midseason **\$1.50**
- 7.0 — BERLIOZ** (Crousse 1886). Large compact rose type; light carmine rose, tipped silver. Late midseason **.50**
- 8.0 — BOULE DE NEIGE** (Calot 1862). Semi-rose type, large and compact, milk white, flecked crimson. Free bloomer. Early midseason **.75**
- 6.9 — CANARI** (Guerin 1861). Medium sized bomb, guards flesh white, center amber white. Fragrance XX. Late **.75**
- 7.1 — CANDIDISSIMA** (Calot 1856). Rose type. Guard petals creamy white, center sulphur yellow, delicately tinted flesh with a light green heart. Has true honey fragrance **.75**
- 7.8 — CARENA ELEGANS** (Calot 1860). Clear flesh color, a glossy reflex, mixed with small yellow petals; extra fine bloom **1.00**
- 8.6 — CHERRY HILL** (Thurlow 1915). Very deep garnet, yet with a sheen which makes it especially noticeable in a collection; in young plants, some stamens are usually visible. Stems long and stiff, **15.00**
- 8.4 — CHESTINE GOWDY** (Brand 1913). Crown type, guard petals of silvery pink surrounding a zone of fine irregular shaped closely set petals of deep rich cream, which in turn enclose a prominent cone of broad pink petals splashed and tipped with crimson; delightfully fragrant. Medium late **3.00**
- 8.7 — CLAIRE DUBOIS** (Crousse 1886). Very large, globular rose type. Uniform color, clear deep violet rose, tipped silvery white. Late **1.50**
- 8.1 — COURONNE D'OR** (Calot 1873). Large, semi-rose type. Pure white with a ring of yellow stamens around a tuft of center petals tipped carmine. Good cut flower variety. Strong grower and free bloomer. Late **.75**
- 7.2 — DE CANDOLLE** (Crousse 1880). Large rose type, bright lilac purple. Late midseason **.75**
- 7.1 — DELACHEI** (Delache 1856). Large rose type, full, rich, dark crimson slightly tipped silver, free bloomer. Late midseason **.75**
- 7.7 — DORCHESTER.** (Richardson 1870.) Large, compact, rose type flower. Pale hydrangea pink. Medium tall, upright, free bloomer. Fragrant. One of the latest. **1.00**
- 7.8 — DUC DE WELLINGTON** (Calot 1859). Large bomb, white with sulphur center. Vigorous grower, free bloomer. Fragrance XX. Late **.75**

8.1 — DUCHESS DE NEMOURS (Calot 1856). Crown type, superb, cup shaped, sulphur white flowers with greenish reflex that lights up the entire flower; gradually changes to a pure snow white without spot or blemish. Fragrant. Early **\$0.75**

7.4 — DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE (Kelway 1896). Extra large, flat, deep rose-colored flowers. Very fragrant. Tall, strong grower. Late **1.50**

EDITH FORREST (Hollis). Introduced by E. P. Wheeler in 1918 and described by him as follows: "Large, double bright pink, very full and double, fine form, strong grower, exceedingly free bloomer, tall, with large strong stems, that hold the flowers firmly erect, without any tendency to droop. The most fragrant peony known. Midseason

7.6 — EDULIS SUPERBA (Lemon 1824). Large loose flat crown; bright mauve pink with a few narrow lilac petals at collar. Odor pleasant. Flowers early and lasts well **1.00**

7.8 — E. G. HILL (Lemoine 1906). Deep rose pink of clear color, large flat flowers with imbricated petals. Stiff stems, medium height. Midseason **3.00**

9.2 — ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING (Brand 1907). Rose type. When first opening a soft seashell pink. When fully open a pure white of most attractive form and quality. One of the most delightfully fragrant peonies ever produced **15.00**

7.6 — ELLA WHEELER WILCOX (Brand 1907). Deep pink of noticeable fragrance. Blossoms in clusters **3.00**

8.7 — ELWOOD PLEAS (Pleas). Large, flat, compact rose type. Uniform light violet rose, shading to lilac-white. Fragrant **5.00**

8.3 — EUGENE VERDIER (Calot 1864). Very large, compact, typical rose type. Pale hydrangea-pink, outer guard petals, lilac-white. Fragrant. Very erect, rather dwarf habit, with extra-strong stems, free bloomer **1.50**

8.6 — EUGENIE VERDIER (Calot 1864). Large, medium, compact, flat, semi-rose type. Pale hydrangea-pink, collar lighter, center deeper, flecked crimson. Fragrance X. Tall, medium, erect, free bloomer. Midseason **1.00**

8.2 — FARIBAULT (Brand 1917). Rose type, deep rose of peculiar shade, with a sheen. Late **10.00**

8.4 — FELIX CROUSSE (Crousse 1881). Very brilliant red. Medium to large, globular, typical bomb shape; fragrant; strong growth. Midseason, **.75**

9.3 — FESTIVA MAXIMA (Miellez 1851). Very large, often 7 to 8 inches. Rose type, pure white, center

- usually flecked with crimson. Strong, vigorous grower. Early \$0.75
- 7.5 — FLORAL TREASURE** (Rosenfield 1900). Rose type. Showy pale lilac rose. Midseason, .75
- 8.1 — FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE** (Brand 1907). Very large rose type. Pure white with faint crimson markings on edges of a few petals. Fragrant. Tall grower. Very late 5.00
- 9.1 — FRANCES WILLARD** (Brand 1907). Opens an exquisite blush white with an occasional carmine touch changing to pure white. A wonderful combination of strength and delicacy 3.00
- 6.7 — GENERAL de BOISDEFFRE** (Crousse 1896). A large, compact, globular bomb. Very dark crimson. An extra good sort of strong, erect habit. Fragrant. Late 1.50
- 8.5 — GERMAINE BIGOT** (Dessert 1902). Very large flat crown. Pale lilac rose, center flecked crimson. Medium height, strong grower. Free bloomer. Mid-season 1.50
- 7.9 — GLOIRE DE CHARLES GOMBAULT** (Gombault 1866). Medium size, deep globular crown. Guards and crown light rose, collar of narrow cream-white petals widening towards the center. Very long, strong stems, free bloomer. Midseason. Extra 1.00
- 9.2 — GRACE LOOMIS** (Saunders 1920). Late. Rose type. White, very full and double. Tall and vigorous 25.00
- 8.8 — GRANDIFLORA** (Richardson 1883). Very large, flat, rose type. Uniform rose-white. Fragrance XX. Tall, erect, strong grower. Very late . 1.00
- 8.1 — GRANDIFLORA NIVEA PLENA** (Lemon 1824). Large, globular, rose type. Guards milk white, center delicately shaded salmon and sulphur 75
- 8.2 — GROVER CLEVELAND** (Terry). Very large, compact, rose type. Dark crimson. Strong, vigorous grower. Late. One of Terry's best 2.00
- 7.7 — H. A. HAGEN** (Richardson). Large, compact, globular, rose type. Uniform, deep violet-rose. Fragrant. Erect, medium, compact habit 7.00
- 5.7 — HUMEI** (Anderson 1810). Large, compact, globular, rose type. Cherry-pink, with silver tips. Cinnamon fragrance. Very late 50
- 8.7 — JAMES KELWAY**. Very large, loose, semi-rose type. Rose white, changing to milk-white, medium height. Early midseason 1.50
- 8.6 — JUDGE BERRY** (Brand 1907). Large, flat, semi-rose type. Ground color white, marked with a soft, delicate pink. Long narrow fringed petals, medium tall. Very early 8.00

8.8 — KARL ROSENFELD (Rosenfield 1908). Very large, globular, compact, semi-rose type. Dark crimson. Very strong, tall, compact grower and free bloomer. Midseason. A very brilliant and striking variety. One of the best **\$2.00**

9.8 — KELWAY'S GLORIOUS (Kelway 1909). Enormous, full, double blooms. Creamy white, with soft blush of rose. Very fragrant. Late mid-season **30.00**

7.8 — LAFAYETTE (Dessert 1904). Very large, compact rose type. Light, violet-rose, marked white. Fragrance XXX. Medium height. Midseason. Good **1.50**

9.1 — LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF (Kelway 1902). Immense cup-shaped bloom of French pink shading to flesh color in the center **5.00**

9.0 — LA FRANCE (Lemoine 1901). Very large perfect rose type. Soft apple-blossom pink, with reflex. Distinct and beautiful. Very rare. Midseason to late **7.00**

8.3 — LAMARTINE (Calot 1860). Syn. Gigantea. Very large, rose type. Pale lilac-rose, center shaded darker, guards and collar fading to rose-white. Agreeable spicy fragrance, distinct from any other. Tall, free bloomer. Midseason **1.00**

8.3 — LA ROSIERE (Crousse 1888). Large, flat, medium compact, semi-double. Outer petals pure white, shading to cream-white in the center. Mid-season **1.00**

7.3 — LA SUBLIME (Parmentier 1850). Large semi-rose type. Dark crimson. Growth strong and healthy. Midseason **.50**

8.6 — LA LORRAINE (Lemoine 1901). Immense blooms of creamy white with a golden light **10.00**

8.1 — LA TENDRESSE (Crousse 1896). Large, compact, flat, rose type. Uniform milk white, guards slightly splashed, and center flecked with crimson. Fragrance X. Early **1.00**

7.5 — LA TULIPE (Calot 1872). Large semi-rose type, delicate blush white shading to ivory white, outer guard petals striped crimson. Fragrant, strong grower. Midseason **.75**

7.2 — L'ECLATANTE (Calot 1860). Bomb type, deep velvety crimson. Midseason **.75**

9.9 — LE CYGNE (Lemoine 1907). Large globular blooms of pure white, sometimes showing golden stamens. Petals much incurved, making it a very distinct variety. Stock extremely scarce **15.00**

7.3 — L'INDISPENSABLE (Unknown). Very large rose-type, soft seashell pink **.75**

- 8.1 — **LIVINGSTONE** (Crousse 1879). Very large, compact, semi-rose type. Pale lilac rose with silver tip. Center petals flecked with carmine. Late **\$1.00**
- 9.0 — **LONGFELLOW** (Brand 1907). Bright crimson with a cherry tone, claimed to be the most brilliant of all the red peonies **5.00**
- 6.9 — **LOUIS VAN HOUTTE** (Delache 1854). Dark crimson. Large semi-rose type, compact, fragrant; medium height. Late **.50**
- 8.8 — **LOVELINESS** (Hollis 1907). Large, compact, flat, rose type. Uniform hydrangea-pink, changing to lilac-white. Fragrance X. Medium tall. Mid-season **5.00**
- 8.6 — **MME. AUGUSTE DESSERT** (Dessert 1889). Very large blooms of glossy flesh tinged carmine, center flecked crimson; well formed and lasting, both as a cut flower and for landscape effects . . . **1.50**
- 7.4 — **MME. BOLLET** (Calot 1867). Very compact, globular, rose type. Pale lilac-pink, silvery reflex. Medium habit. Late midseason . . . **.75**
- 7.8 — **MME. BOULANGER** (Crousse 1886). Rose type; extra large full bloom, glossy soft rose shading to lilac, bordered silvery flesh; exceedingly free bloomer with remarkable lasting qualities **1.00**
- 7.3 — **MME. BUCQUET** (Dessert 1888). Large semi-rose type; velvety crimson, rich and magnificent. Free bloomer. Midseason **.75**
- 8.1 — **MME. CALOT** (Mieliez 1856). Very large, rose type. Pale hydrangea-pink, center shaded darker, collar tinted silver. Fragrance XX. Tall, strong grower, free bloomer. Early **.75**
- 7.7 — **MME. CAMILLE BANCEL** (Crousse 1897). Rose type; late. Large globular convex flower that is very compact and full; uniform deep pink or solferino red, with silvery reflex and salmon shadings; beautiful and distinct **.75**
- 7.9 — **MME. CROUSSE** (Calot 1866). Medium size, globular, crown. Pure white, center flecked crimson. Strong, medium height; free bloomer. Mid-season **.75**
- 7.5 — **MME. DE GALHAU** (Crousse 1883). Very large, globular, rose type, soft, glossy, flesh pink. Late **.75**
- 7.9 — **MME. DE VERNEVILLE** (Crousse 1885). Large full bloom; guard petals pure white, center blush, fading to white, prominent carmine flecks. Extra early **.75**
- 7.9 — **MME. DUCCEL** (Mechin 1880). Bomb type; petals somewhat incurved like a chrysanthemum. Light mauve rose with silvery reflex. Odor pleasant. Mid-season **.75**

- 8.5 — **MME. EMILE GALLE** (Crousse 1881). Rose type. Large cup shape, delicate seashell pink with touches of heliotrope and lavender. A very attractive variety. Extra choice. Late \$1.00
- 8.9 — **MME. EMILE LEMOINE** (Lemoine 1899). Large, globular, compact, rose type, soft glossy white overlaid with a sheen of satiny pink. Medium height. Midseason 2.00
- 7.9 — **MME. GEISSLER** (Crousse 1880). Full double rose type. Color, violet rose, tips of petals nearly white, giving a beautiful, silvery appearance. A giant in size and a strong grower. Fragrance XXX. Midseason. Extra 1.00
- 9.4 — **MME. JULES DESSERT** (Dessert 1909). Very large imbricated flower. White, overlaid with clear pink, shaded rose and straw-yellow, with a few carmine stripes. Exquisite shade, a variety of absolute superiority 5.00
- 8.7 — **MAGNIFICENT** (Brand 1918). Semi-rose; deep red with a bluish cast, profuse bloomer, medium height. Midseason 10.00
- 7.5 — **MARECHAL VAILLANT** (Calot 1867). Very large, compact, typical rose bloom. Mauve pink. Good variety. Very late 1.00
- 8.9 — **MARGUERITE GERARD** (Crousse 1892). Very large semi-rose type, pale hydrangea-pink, changing to nearly white. Late 1.00
- 8.3 — **MARIE JACQUIN** (Verdier) (syn. Bridesmaid). Flowers white or delicate flesh color of the most exquisite form and beauty. Side buds oftentimes semi-double, resembling water lilies. Very robust and floriferous. Midseason 1.00
- 8.5 — **MARIE LEMOINE** (Calot 1869). Large, very compact, rose type. Pure white, with cream-white center, occasional carmine tip. Fragrant. Medium height, extra-strong stem. Very late 1.00
- 7.8 — **MARIE STUART** (Calot 1856). Crown type, delicate lavender flecked with crimson, fading to pure white. Good. Early75
- 9.1 — **MARTHA BULLOCK** (Brand 1907). Enormous cup-shaped flower of soft rose-pink, well formed and of good substance. Strong grower and free bloomer. Fragrant. Late 15.00
- 8.7 — **MARY BRAND** (Brand 1907). A vivid crimson with a silky sheen that gives it a wonderful brilliance. Very large flower and free bloomer . 5.00
- 8.7 — **MIGNON** (Lem. 1908). Very large, compact, globular, rose type. Lacy white, passing to amber-cream, center flecked crimson. Fragrance XXX. Medium tall, strong growth. Midseason. Extra good 7.00

- 7.7 — **MIREILLE** (Crousse 1894). Rose type, very large, milk-white, the latest white to bloom . . . **\$0.75**
- 7.8 — **MODELE DE PERFECTION** (Crousse 1875). Large, compact flower of rose type. Light violet-rose, with center petals shaded darker. Fragrant. Medium dwarf; free bloomer. Late **.75**
- 7.8 — **MODESTE GUERIN** (Guerin 1845). Bomb type, strong grower and free bloomer. Midseason. **.75**
- 7.1 — **MONS. BASTIEN LE PAGE** (Crousse 1885). Very large, globular, typical crown. Uniform pure mauve-pink, with very marked silvery reflex. Fragrance X. Tall, extra strong. Midseason . . . **1.00**
- 7.1 — **MONS. BOUCHARLAT AINE** (Calot 1868). Large, full, compact, semi-rose type. Uniform light violet-rose, with silvery reflex. Very strong, erect grower, medium height, free bloomer. Late midseason. Extra good **.75**
- 9.2 — **MONS. JULES ELIE** (Crousse 1888). Very large bomb, glossy lilac-pink shading to deeper at base of petals. Extra. Midseason **1.50**
- 8.8—**MONS. MARTIN CAHUZAC** (Dessert 1899). Medium sized, globular, semi-rose type. Very dark purple-garnet with black reflex. The darkest peony in the trade. Free bloomer. Early midseason **5.00**
- 8.4 — **MONT BLANC** (Lemoine 1899). Large, compact, globular, rose type. Milk-white, center tinted rose. Fragrance XXX. Early midseason . . . **7.50**
- 8.2 — **MRS. A. G. RUGGLES** (Brand 1913). Large, flat, delicately suffused with lilac, gradually fading to pure white. Tall, strong grower. Fragrant; very fine. Very late **5.00**
- 8.6 — **MRS. GEORGE BUNYARD** (Kelway). Very large, compact flower of rose type. Pale lilac-rose. Tall, strong grower. Fragrant. Midseason **5.00**
- 7.1 — **NIGRICANS** (Unknown). Medium size, semi-rose type. Dark crimson, very deep rich color throughout. Strong, erect grower, free bloomer. Good variety. Midseason to late **.75**
- 9.2 — **PHILIPPE RIVOIRE** (Riviere 1911). Large, well-formed, cup-shaped flower of rose type. Very dark crimson. Strong grower. Tea-rose fragrance. A very beautiful and striking variety. Very rare. Early **25.00**
- 7.7 — **PHILOMELE** (Calot 1861). Flat crown. Bright violet-rose, golden yellow center with tuft of rose, bordered carmine, free bloomer. Midseason **1.00**
- 8.8 — **PHOEBE CAREY** (Brand 1907). Large, flat flower of the rose type. Soft lavender pink, with darker center. Very late **8.00**
- 7.4 — **PRINCESS BEATRICE** (Kelway 1886). Large, compact, high crown. Guards and crown light

violet-rose, collar cream-white, center flecked crimson. Fragrant. Very free bloomer **\$0.75**

8.8 — RICHARD CARVEL (Brand 1913). Immense globular bomb. Bright crimson. Tall, stout stems, profuse bloomer. Early midseason . . . **5.00**

9.0 — ROSA BONHEUR. Very large, flat rose type with wide imbricated petals. Light violet-rose, guards flecked crimson. Erect, medium, tall, strong grower. Midseason. Extra **7.00**

7.8 — R. P. WHITFIELD (Richardson). Large, compact, flat rose type. Hydrangea-pink. Fragrant. Medium height, erect grower. Late **1.00**

7.2 — RUBRA SUPERBA (Richardson 1871). Large, compact, informal rose type. Deep crimson. Slow about coming to flower, but a good variety when established. Fragrant. Very late **.75**

9.0 — SARAH BERNHARDT (Lemoine 1906). Flat, compact, semi-rose type. Flowers of remarkable size and freshness in huge clusters, full and double, of unusual perfection of form; color apple-blossom pink, with each petal silver tipped, giving the appearance of a distinct border of pure white; fragrance agreeable and penetrating; magnificent **4.00**

9.7 — SOLANGE (Lemoine 1907). Full, globular flowers with a closely petalled tuft in the center. A rare and indescribable shade of fleshy white, with a salmon center, passing to white, shaded soft flesh, a charming color of remarkable freshness . . . **7.00**

9.8 — THERESE (Dessert 1904). Rose type, rich violet-rose slightly splashed with crimson, fading to lilac-white in the center. Size enormous. Strong grower and free bloomer. Midseason **5.00**

9.4 — TOURANGELLE (Dessert 1910). Delicate rose color with salmon tints. Extra **5.00**

7.4 — UMBELLATA ROSEA (Unknown). Rose type. Guard petals violet-rose, center straw yellow with tufts of whitish pink. Very free bloomer. Very early. **.75**

8.3 — VENUS (Kelway). Very large crown, pale hydrangea-pink. Free bloomer. Extra good. Midseason **1.00**

7.6 — VIRGINIE (Calot 1848). Large, semi-rose type. Fragrant. Free bloomer. Midseason **.75**

9.3 — WALTER FAXON (Richardson). Medium size, globular, semi-rose type. Uniform pure, bright rose, deepening towards the center. Very distinct and delicate color. Strong, medium tall, free bloomer. Midseason. Scarce **\$7.00**

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7.5 — ALTAR CANDLES (Pleas 1908). Jap. Delicate pink guard petals, surrounding numerous rounded wax-like petals, with crimson tips. Clustered **\$5.00**

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6.1 — CURIOSITY (Dessert & Mechen 1886). Large blooms that are very attractive. Color violet-red, the narrow central petals tipped yellow. Tall grower; fragrant . . . **.75**

7.1 — DARKNESS (Brand 1913). Large single. Very dark maroon with darker markings on lower half of petals which surround a bold cluster of golden stamens . . . **3.00**

DEFIANCE — Color between a pink and a red, very showy . . . **.75**

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HERMES — A very delicate shade of hydrangea-pink . . . **.75**

8.4 — LA FIANCEE (Dessert 1902). Tall, vigorous grower, producing very large flowers of white with golden stamens . . . **2.00**

8.2 — LE JOUR (Shaylor). Large, pure white flower, with deep carmine stigmas . . . **5.00**

8.1 — L'ETINCELANTE (Dessert 1902). Cup-shaped flower, broad petals of a rich, clear carmine, broadly edged with silver. Exceptionally fine **2.00**

8.5 — MARGUERITE DESSERT (Dessert 1913). Very large single flower, pure white, entirely powdered and splashed with carmine, central tuft of golden stamens, one of the most exquisite . . . **5.00**

MIKADO — Velvety crimson guards, forming a cup to enclose a filigree cushion of crimson petaloids, edged and tipped gold . . . **3.00**

8.6 — MRS. KEY — Bright, satiny crimson. Very choice and desirable . . . **.75**

6.9 — PETITE RENEE (Dessert 1899). Very large; long narrow center petals, light magenta; medium height, upright, free bloomer. Midseason . . . **1.50**

8.5 — ROSY DAWN (Barr). Large, snow-white flower, tinged blush at first, resembling a great white water lily . . . **2.00**

8.9 — PRIDE OF LANGPORT (Kelway). A large, brilliant, yet soft peach-pink flower. Very beautiful. One of the finest single varieties. Very rare **5.00**

IRIS

I BELIEVE that I am perfectly safe in saying that there is no flower presenting such a wonderful variety of coloring as the iris. We often hear the expression, "It rivals the orchid!" I claim that it excels the orchid. They are as easy as weeds to grow, in fact will submit to more abuse than most weeds. I have seen them thrown on top of a hill in September and remain there until the following June without any protection, and then flower. (The above is merely to show its hardiness.) They seem to succeed over a greater range of territory than any other plant, withstanding the cold of Canada and the heat of Mexico.

Irises will adapt themselves to almost any soil or situation, but they prefer a well-drained soil and a sunny exposure. Their ability to withstand drouth and heat is truly astonishing, but should not be taken advantage of if good results are expected. For a fertilizer, ground bone seems as good as anything. If the soil is sour add lime.

Irises may be successfully planted any time when the ground is in workable condition, but the sooner they are planted after they are through flowering the better will be the results the following year. If planted late in the fall they should be given a light mulch to prevent their being lifted out of the ground by the alternate freezing and thawing.

In the following descriptions S. signifies standards of upright petals, and F. the falls or drooping petals.

5.8 — A. E. KUNDERD. S. yellow-bronze tinged with magenta; F. magenta-red tinged with bronze and reticulated yellow from center to base . . . **\$0.50**

8.6 — AFTERGLOW. A buff gray, shading to a rich yellow through the center. Distinct and very attractive **1.00**

7.9 — ALBERT VICTOR. S. soft blue; F. beautiful lavender. Large and fine, 40 inches **.25**

8.9 — ALCAZAR — A giant in flower and growth. S. bluish-violet; F. deep purple, bronze veined at the throat. Beautiful. 3-4 feet **.75**

7.8 — AMAS (Macrantha). S. rich blue; F. violet; very large, handsome flower. 2 feet **.35**

9.4 — AMBASSADEUR. S. smoky reddish-violet; F. dark velvety reddish-violet. One of the best of all. **3.00**

- 8.3 — **AMBIGU.** S. a beautiful, smoky red; F. a velvety, reddish brown. A fine variety, strong-growing and free-flowering. 30 inches. **\$1.00**
- 8.4 — **ANNA FARR.** S. white, lightly bordered pale blue; F. pure white with blue markings at base. Immense flower with delicious scent **2.00**
- 8.3 — **ANNE LESLIE.** The standards are white with the finest flush of rose on the upper half; falls are rich carmine enlivened by an orange beard. Unusual in color. 27 inches **1.00**
- 8.3 — **ARCHEVEQUE** — S. rich purple violet; F. deepest velvety violet; extremely rich coloring. A rare and beautiful flower, late flowering. 2 feet **.75**
- 7.8 — **ARNOLS.** S. rosy bronze; F. rich velvety purple. 30 inches **.35**
- 7.4 — **AUREA.** Rich chrome yellow, the finest pure yellow. 24 inches **.25**
- 6.7 — **BLUE BOY.** S. and F. rich purple; beard blue; 15-18 inches; foliage 12-15 inches; prolific in bloom; early **.50**
- 8.8 — **B. Y. MORRISON.** S. pale lavender violet; F. velvety purple with dark outline on wide lavender border. Distinct and very handsome **2.00**
- 7.5 — **CAPRICE.** S. rosy red; F. deeper and richer **.25**
- 8.1 — **CARTHUSIAN.** S. clear lavender-blue; F. darker blue, reticulated brown at claw. Large and fragrant. Very early. 2 feet **1.00**
- CECILE MINTURN.** Uniform shade of cattleya rose. Free bloomer. 24 inches **3.00**
- CORA** (Millet). Pansy violet with a conspicuous white haft and buff flush at the heart. 3 feet **1.00**
- 8.7 — **CRUSADER.** Standards, a light shade, and falls a deep shade of violet blue. 3½ feet **2.00**
- 6.8 — **DARIUS.** S. rich canary-yellow; F. lilac margined white, rich orange beard **.25**
- 7.8 — **DAWN.** S. and F. sulphur yellow, veined bronze at the throat. Free bloomer; vigorous. 27 inches **1.00**
- 8.2 — **DELICATISSIMA.** Large flower of delicate lilac color. Not to be confused with an old variety of the same name **2.00**
- 6.9 — **DEMI-DEUIL.** S. amber yellow, heavily veined and dotted deep purple; F. white veined and dotted light purple **1.00**
- DOROTHEA K. WILLIAMSON.** Velvety reddish purple. A beautiful, beardless iris requiring a rich moist soil. Very desirable. **2.00**

DUSKY MAID. S. pale buff; F. large, wide-spreading, of a deep mauve-purple with a pale, broad margin. Heavily reticulated at the haft.

30 inches. **\$1.00**

8.6 — EDOUARD MICHEL. S. rosy mauve; F. deeper mauve. Handsome and distinct in color. Very rare **1.50**

7.0 — ELINOR (Sturtevant). A very delicate pure mallow pink, white through the center, light pinkish veins on the haft. 18 inches **1.00**

8.0 — FAIRY. White, delicately bordered and suffused soft blue. 30 inches **.35**

7.0 — FLAVESCENS. Height, 30 inches; S. and F. a delicate shade of soft yellow; prolific bloomer. **.35**

7.6 — FLORENTINA. Creamy white, faintly flushed lavender; fragrant; early; fine for cutting. 2 feet **.25**

7.0 — FRANCINA. Pale lavender-white; S. spotted and veined reddish-purple; F. edged reddish-purple. 36 inches. **1.00**

GERMANICA. Large and conspicuous flowers of dark purple, veined at the base. Early. 2 feet **.25**

GLITTER. S. bright golden yellow; F. pale chestnut brown. Very distinct and bright **1.00**

6.1 — GRACCHUS. Height, 18 inches. S. clear yellow; F. maroon red, reticulated white . . **.25**

7.1 — HALFDAN. Creamy white; large flowers of good substance. Very early **.25**

6.2 — HECTOR. S. soft clouded yellow; F. velvety crimson black; showy. 30 inches **.25**

6.6 — HELGE. S. lemon yellow; F. deeper, orange beard. 2 feet **.25**

7.3 — HER MAJESTY. S. a lovely rose-pink; F. bright crimson tinged a darker shade. A most beautiful variety **.35**

7.4 — HIAWATHA. S. pale lavender, flushed rose; F. royal purple, bordered lavender. 28 inches **.50**

7.3 — HILDA. White with heavy violet markings on haft, styles, and standards. 3 feet . . . **1.00**

7.1 — INNOCENZA. S. and F. ivory-white, crest rich golden; very delicate and beautiful. 26 inches. **.35**

7.9 — IRIS KING. S. clear lemon yellow; F. rich maroon bordered yellow. Very fine **.50**

8.6 — ISOLINE. S. silvery lilac, slightly flushed yellow. F. purplish old rose with orange beard. Large and very handsome. 3 feet **.75**

8.0 — JACQUESIANA. Height, 36 inches; bright copper crimson; F. rich dark maroon. Very handsome. **.50**

- 6.8 — MRS. NEUBRONNER.** Height, 24 inches. Deep golden yellow. One of the best of this color **\$0.25**
- 6.6 — MRS. G. RUETHE.** S. white, shaded and veined blue-gray; F. white, frilled soft blue . **.25**
- 7.4 — MYTH.** Form and habit of Oriflamme, but a uniform verbena violet in color; valuable for low massing. 2 feet
- 7.3 — NIBELUNGEN.** S. fawn yellow; F. violet purple with fawn margin **.35**
- 7.7 — NIRVANA.** S. smooth vinaceous buff, underlaid with lavender; F. lobelia violet **1.00**
- 8.7 — OPERA.** S. reddish-lilac; F. dark, velvety-purple violet. 33 inches **1.50**
- 7.8 — ORIFLAMME.** S. light blue; F. rich violet purple. An early bloomer and a great favorite. 30 inches. **1.00**
- 6.8 — PALAUREA (Sturtevant).** A shaded lobelia violet with a warm glow of yellow through the center, of pallida habit. 3 feet **1.00**
- 8.0 — PALLIDA SPECIOSA.** S. dark lavender, shaded lighter; F. shaded light purple. 42 inches **.25**
- 7.8 — PERFECTION.** S. light blue flecked with deeper shade; F. rich velvety violet black with orange beard. Very attractive. 30 inches **.35**
- 5.8 — PFAUENAUGE.** Height, 24 inches. S. rich yellow. F., velvety plum color, bordered deep yellow. **.50**
- 7.1 — PRESTIGE.** The standards and edges of the falls a clear lemon yellow; the center of the falls white with sharply defined veins of Mars violet **.50**
- 9.5 — PRINCESS BEATRICE.** 48 inches. Rated as the second best Iris by the American Iris Society. Delicate lavender of silky texture **.75**
- 7.2 — PRINCESS VICTORIA LOUISE.** S. sulphur yellow; F. rich plum, bordered cream . **.35**
- 8.3 — PROSPER LAUGIER.** S. light cinnamon-drab with a pinkish sheen; F. velvety violet-carmine; 3 feet **.50**
- PROSPERO.** Enormous flowers with pale lavender standards and velvety red-violet falls, beard orange; growth strong; to 4 feet **3.00**
- 8.4 — QUAKER LADY.** S. tawny lavender; F. ageratum blue "shading into old gold at the base and lighting up the whole flower with a gold flush from within; distinct and pleasing; vigorous"; appropriately named **.50**
- 9.0 — QUEEN CATERINA.** Pale lavender-violet, with yellow beard. White haft, veined with bronze. 30 inches **3.00**

- 7.4 — **QUEEN OF MAY.** A lovely soft rose-lilac, almost pink; beautiful. 32 inches \$0.25
- 8.4 — **RHEIN NIXE.** S. pure white; F. deep violet-blue with a white edge. Height, 3 feet50
- 6.9 — **ROSE UNIQUE.** Bright violet-rose; the nearest approach to a pink iris. Early50
- 7.6 — **SARABANDE.** S. cream-buff, flushed delicate pink; F. a velvety violet, bordered with peach. 30 inches 1.50
- 8.8 — **SHEKINAH.** A pale lemon-yellow pallida, the color deepening through the center; 3 feet 2.00
- 8.1 — **SHERBERT.** S. écru-drab, deepening to purplish vinaceous; F. dahlia-purple; strong and well branched; 42 inches 1.00
- 7.6 — **SHERWIN-WRIGHT.** Rich golden-yellow without markings or shadings. 2 feet35
- 8.3 — **SINDJKHA.** Deep dull lavender, shading to dark olive-buff and manganese-violet; subdued tones; form, substance, and habit exceptional; 4 feet 1.00
- SPLENDOUR.** An engaging flower with ruffled, flaring falls and purple tones of extreme depth. 30 inches 1.00
- 9.3 — **SOUVENIR DE MME. GAUDICHAU.** S. deep aniline blue; F. deep purple violet, drooping. Very warm colors. Widely branching stalk. Vigorous. 40 inches 3.00
- STEEPWAY.** S. fawn, shading to reddish-fawn at edges; F. rosy-mauve, shading to opalescent blue at base, with brown markings and orange beard. Vigorous. 36 inches. 1.00
- 6.0 — **TAFFETA.** S. pale brown tone, shaded with blue and gold, changing to soft fawn color; F. fawn, shot with blue. Large and tall 1.00
- 7.4 — **TAMAR.** S. reddish-lilac; F. veined and suffused deeper reddish lilac, semi-spreading. Large and showy. Vigorous. 42 inches 1.00
- 6.3 — **TRAUTLIEB.** S. and F. lovely uniform soft rose50
- 8.1 — **TROJANA.** Large handsome flowers. S. pale blue and long, rich, purple-blue falls. Late75
- 6.5 — **VICTORINE.** S. white, mottled blue; F. violet-blue mottled white, beautiful and rare. 27 inches25
- 7.3 — **WALHALLA.** S. lavender; F. wine red. Very showy. 20 inches25
- 7.1 — **W. F. CHRISTMAN.** S. white, tinged with violet; F. purple, reticulated white with lighter border. Yellow beard. Fragrant. 22 inches75

8.3 — WHITE KNIGHT. A beautiful snow-white iris without markings of any kind. Fragrant. 20 inches **\$1.00**

7.2 — WYOMISSING. S. creamy white, suffused delicate soft rose; F. deep rose base, shading to flesh-colored border. 30 inches **.50**

7.5 — ZUA. Falls and standards like creton-crape; ruffled edges. Light lavender, large flower, very fragrant. The first to bloom. 16 to 18 inches **1.00**

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Clear as song of bird in spring;
Let every day some music bring;
Sing it now.

If you have kind words to say,
Say them now.
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Do a kindness while you may;
Loved ones will not always stay;
Say them now.

If you have a smile to show,
Show it now.
Make hearts happy, roses grow,
Let the friends around you know
The love you have before they go;
Show it now.

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Don't let it, my dear, don't let it.
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