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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS:

We thank you for your inquires and requests for catalogs, and in response are sending out this brief list of specialties. This list supersedes previously published prices. Postal charges are included but very large bulbs and clumps will be sent express collect.

Some collectors' items which are not commercially profitable have been regretfully discontinued, but we are still raising a few choice novelties, the numbers of which are strictly limited.

Winter and spring blooming bulbs are ready for delivery in early September, and will be listed in the first part of these pages. The second part will be devoted to those bulbs which bloom in summer and early fall, and which will be delivered according to maturity and danger of frost in transit, in late winter or early spring. Bletillas will be ready for delivery in late fall, also Chlidanthus & Galtonias.

ALSTROMERIAS: exceptionally useful cut flowers which self clean, last for two weeks in water; the new forms come in soft pastel colors, are of the easiest possible cultivation, bloom spring to summer and should be left to dry out until new growth starts. Plant where they can be left undisturbed since clumps increase in size and vigor with age and are very difficult to move after the first year in the seed bed. Sandy loam, plenty humus, sun or very light shade.

- A. hookeri, pale pink dwarf variety, exquisite foliage. Rock gardens. 25¢ ea.
- A. ligtu hybrids. Wide range of pastel tints, same form and habit as old chilensis but superior in every way. \$2.00 doz. 25¢ ea.
- A. pelegrina "Lily of the Incas." Flowers rose, wide open like azaleas. Blooms early, and like the white form can be brought in for Easter. Both types of A. pelegrina have green lines on back of petals.
- A. pelegrina alba. Both varieties same price. \$2.00 doz. 25¢ ea.
- A. pulchra tricolor. Dwarf habit, fls. white with flush of light maroon. New and very dainty. \$2.00 doz. 25¢ ea.

A. violacea. Latest introduction from Chile. Fls. form of A. pelegrina, color true violet. Grows tall. Seeds 50¢ pkt.
One-year-old tubers 50¢ ea.

Seeds also of A. pulchra tricolor 50¢ pkt.
Seeds A. ligtu 25¢ pkt.

AMARCRINUM howardi. Blooms pink with foliage and flowers several times a year. Evergreen. Sun. \$2.00 ea.



BLETILLA hyacinthina, and also the white form; charming terrestrial orchids which grow well among Cymbidiums or ferns. Hardy East. Delivery late fall. 75¢ ea. \$8.00 doz.

BRODIAEAS: Capitata, Recommended for naturalizing. Half-hardy. Excellent cut flowers. Blue. \$1.00 doz.
B. Eastwoodi, white umbel on 18 inch stem. \$1.25 doz.

BRUNSVIGIA hybrids.

Amaryllis belladonna parkeri, fls. late Aug. rose with clear white throat. 50¢ ea.

A. multiflora alba. Pure white with gold center. Very scarce. \$2.00 ea.

A. multiflora seedlings, pink or pink and white with very tall stems and many flowers in each head. \$1.00 ea.

Hathor, purest white of all this type of flower, petals of a rich, heavy texture. Limited supply. \$3.00 ea.

CALLAS: All best blooming size. Plant in warm place, in part shade when they show growth in spring. Being nearly tropical they resent cold wet winters so lift and store in dry warm place after maturity until time to plant.

ARUM sanctum (palestinum) Black, without disagreeable odor. \$4.50 doz. 50¢ ea.

Calla elliottiana: yellow Calla with handsome spotted foliage. \$25.00 H \$3.00 doz. 30¢ ea.

Calla rehmanni superba: an improved pink calla standing 24 in. with pale pink flowers and lovely foliage quite distinct from other callas. New. This is a truly exquisite flower and enchanting in arrangements. Limited stock \$7.50 doz. 75¢ ea.

CRINUM powelli (pink) and C. powelli alba. Bloom tall with foliage. Mass well against a wall or at the back of a border. Extra large bulbs. \$2.00 ea.

EUCOMIS punctata. "The Pineapple Lily" Striking half-hardy Cape bulbs. Quantities of starry white flowers with purple centers on a raceme, the whole cluster being crowned by a leafy bract similar to the top knot of a pineapple. Easy culture in California and southern gardens; strikingly interesting and different for pots in colder climates. \$1.00 ea.

FERRARIA undulata. Half-hardy Cape bulb bearing one-day fls. in rapid succession. Fls. brown and green with very frilly edges, leaves very pale green stem clasping make it an unusual and ornamental subject. Sunny. 25¢ ea.

GLADIOLUS. We list only the species G. tristis var. concolor and hybrids of which it is one parent. They are very graceful in growth, free-flowering and exceptionally fine for cutting. G. tristis concolor is very fragrant after sun-down.

G. Colvillei, often called "Baby Glads". Late spring; colors indicated by names: The Bride, Blushing Bride, Peach Blossom, Pink Perfection, Spitfire. Stocks limited. \$10.00 H; \$1.50 doz.

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{G. tristis var. concolor. White. Scented. Early Spring. \$10.00 H; \$1.50 doz.
'G. tristis hybrids. White. Earlier than concolor, also fls. a little (whiter. \$2.00 doz.

Habranthus brachyandrus, similar to H. robustus (see below) but of deeper color, larger flowers, longer stems. \$2.00 doz.

H. robustus (syn. Zephyranthes robusta) useful and well-known favorite. Fls. pale pink trumpets, naturalizes easily in rock gardens, borders, pots. \$1.50 doz.

HAEMANTHUS coccineus. "Blood Flower". Striking and curious, foliage immense strap shaped leaves. Fls. in fall before leaves appear. Limited stock. \$2.00 ea.

IRIS: SPURIA types only. Tall-growing, make fine masses. Iris ochroleuca, yellow and white, 3 for \$1.00; I. Miss Eastwood, cream and yellow, a new introduction, larger and more deeply colored than the old form, 50¢ each; I. Lord Wolseley, now very scarce, a vivid blue-violet, \$1.00 each.

IXIA Bloem Erf: A Cape hybrid very dainty, in pastel blues and pinks. It cuts well and in the garden should be planted in close mass. Sun. \$8.00 H; \$1.15 doz.

LEUCOCORYNE ixioides odorata. "Glory of the Sun". Chilean. Heads of large blue fls. with white centers and gold stamens, fragrant. Lasting cut flower. For naturalization in mild climates, - in cold localities grow in hothouses in benches, or deep pots. \$10.00 H. \$1.50 doz.

LYCORIS aurea. Rare. Fls. like a golden Nerine. \$1.00 ea.
L. radiata (formerly incorrectly listed as Nerine sarniensis) likes more moisture than many bulbs. Beautiful deep red. \$2.00 doz. 25¢

MORAEA catenulata. Dwarf evergreen type closely resembling M. iridioides. Flowers sporadically through the year. Clumps 35¢ ea.
M. glaucopis (Iris pavonia). Named for its brilliant iridescent eye with peacock colors. Varying shades of blue. Exceptionally charming bulb, very persistent. Rock gardens and pots. \$10.00 H. \$1.50 doz.
M. polystachya. Fls. like mauve butterflies opening daily over a long period. Bulbs hold over well and can be planted successively. Naturalize well in warm climates. Potted plants for colder conditions. \$10.00 H. \$1.50 doz.

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NERINE coruscans. Blooms late summer or early fall. Scarlet frilled
fls. which glow in the sunlight. 75¢ ea.

N. fothergilli. The best of the scarlet nerines. Wonderful for cor-
sages. I wore one for a week in very hot weather. Cut flowers in
water last two weeks. Stock scarce. \$2.00 ea.

SCILLA hyacinthoides. Racemes about 14 in. covered with small blue
fls. and intensely blue stamens. Likes hot sunny situation.
By express \$2.25 doz. 25¢ ea.

SPREKELIA formosissima. Fls. large, crimson, wasp-waisted, very showy.
"Jacobean Lily". Large bulbs 35¢ ea.

STERNBERGIA lutea. "Fall-blooming Crocus". Clear yellow, several fls.
to a bulb. Good in pots or border, likes dry sunny location.
2 for 35¢.

STREPTANTHERA CUPREA and various colored SPARAXIS, white, yellow, rose,
and salmon have lived so happily together that they have crossed with
resultant flowers which are an improvement on the parents. Since
they will inevitably do this in your garden we have decided to mix
them here and sell them as assorted bulbs for \$1.00 a dozen. They
naturalize easily in sunny corners where they can be reasonably dry
in summer, and the new varieties of color and markings make them com-
pletely fascinating and brilliant additions to rock gardens, or
drifts of color in the spring garden. \$7.50 a hundred

STREPTANTHERA ELEGANS is a new one, hard to improve upon for lovers
of white, - it has a kaleidoscopic eye in violet tones. \$1.50 doz.

TRITELEIA violacea. Hardy. Earliest bloomer in the year with a
long season of bloom. Pale blue with deep violet markings. Naturalize
in borders, rock gardens. 50¢ doz. \$4.00 a hundred.

VELTHEIMIA viridifolia. Handsome Cape bulb which starts to grow in
cool weather. Its foliage is an intense green, long with a marked
wavy form which would make a good pot plant even without the flower
which should be in bud for Christmas. The flowers are old rose, and
tubular in form. Seed pods are also decorative. Grow in shade in
mild climates, or under glass as potted plants in cold locations.
\$6.00 doz. 60¢ ea.

WATSONIAS...EVERGREEN SPECIES. W. angusta red & scarlet; W. beatricis
orange; W. wilmaniae shrimp pink; clumps. \$2.50 doz. 25¢ ea.
W. species not evergreen; W. arderni, the best white, tall, early and
W. marginata, very tall, orchid colored small blooms very compact, and
fragrant. Both varieties. \$1.00 doz. 10¢ ea.

Australian hybrids, recommended as the finest of this flower group.
Will flower in February if planted in September and watered continu-
ously. Adelaide - clear pink with blushing throat.
Brighton - magenta
Caulfield - lavender pink

Clunes - pearly lavender with exceptionally wide flower
Dazzler - brilliant orange
Hobart - large deep lilac
Lara - redrose with bronze sheen
Malvern - clear orchid
Melbourne - coral pink into deep pink throat
Portland - shrimp pink
Sydney - red with coppery sheen
Victoria - rosy flame, extra large blooms \$1.75 doz. 3 for 50¢

Bullard hybrids, the best of all Mrs. Bullard's hybrids:

America - best pink, tall, midseason
Cream Cup - cream white, lower in growth than Arderni
E. D. Sturtevant - orange, medium height
Ernest Braunton - Bronze red, medium height, late.
Eunice - Shrimp pink with deeper self veining
James McGilvray - rose red with large flower, medium height, late.
K. O. Sessions - two-tone rose pink, late
Lilac - beautiful clear tone, large flower, tall
Los Angeles - light lavender pink self-veined
Modjeska - magenta, medium height, late
Mrs. John Scheepers - clear pink with blue anthers
Theodore Payne - brilliant apricot, late; \$1.00 doz. 10¢ each.

ZEPHYRANTHES AJAX. Similar to Z. candida, but having light yellow fls. on 6 - 8 in. stems. Blooms several times a year if allowed to dry out between waterings. Recommended as pot plants, for rock gardens or borders. \$1.00 doz.

ZEPHYRANTHES CANDIDA. Fls. White, with glossy foliage. Reliable for a good effect in the mass in borders. Good in window boxes. Very persistent and increases well. \$4.00 hundred. 50¢ doz.

The FOLLOWING items are for WINTER AND SPRING DELIVERY.

BESSERA elegans. Vivid with contrasting color of red petals with dark blue stamens. This is as striking as it is dainty and looks like nothing else in the garden. Suggests the bursting of a miniature rocket. \$1.00 a dozen.

CHLIDANTHUS fragrans. Usually blooms in May. Fragrant and a good yellow trumpet on 12 to 15 in. stems. \$1.50 doz. Two for 35¢

GALTONIA candicans. "Giant Summer Hyacinth." Strong erect stem, 3 feet tall bearing raceme of 20 or more pure white bells in midsummer. Extremely effective for naturalizing or in the perennial border. Better than half-hardy but needs a good winter mulch in cold climates. \$1.25 doz.

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The following items are for winter and spring clothing

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HAEMANTHUS Katherineae. A most spectacular introduction, to be grown in light shade in mild climates. Foliage a rich apple green and flowers in orange red umbels 6 to 9 in. in diameter. Evergreen. Fl. midsummer. \$5.00 ea.

MILLA biflora. Mexican summer-flowering bulb, flowers of waxy white texture striped with apple green on back. Dainty and striking, cuts well and of very easy culture. \$10.00 hundred; \$1.50 doz.

NERINE bowdeni. Blooms in fall, with large pink very much frilled fls. Good for cutting. \$1.00 ea.

N. magnifice. Pinker and larger than N. bowdeni, 18 to 24 in. stem. Exceedingly handsome. \$1.00

