

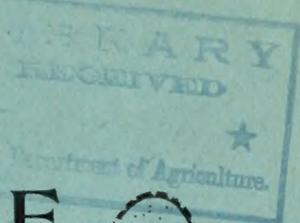
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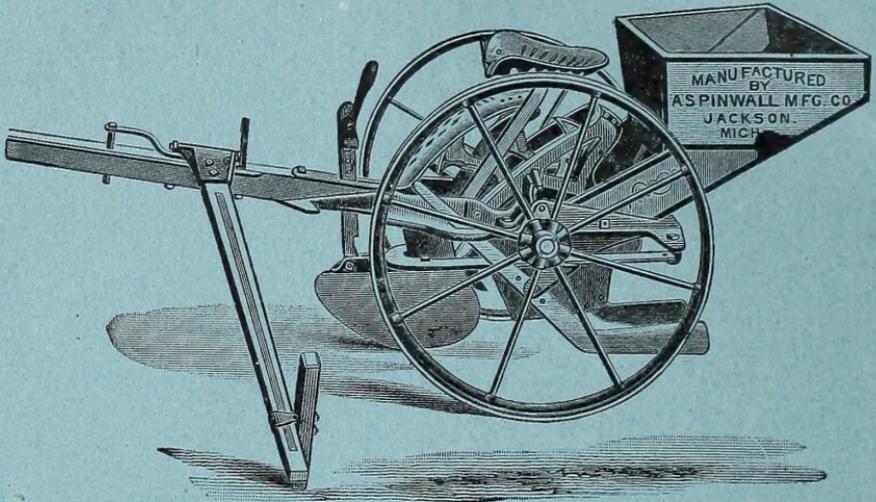
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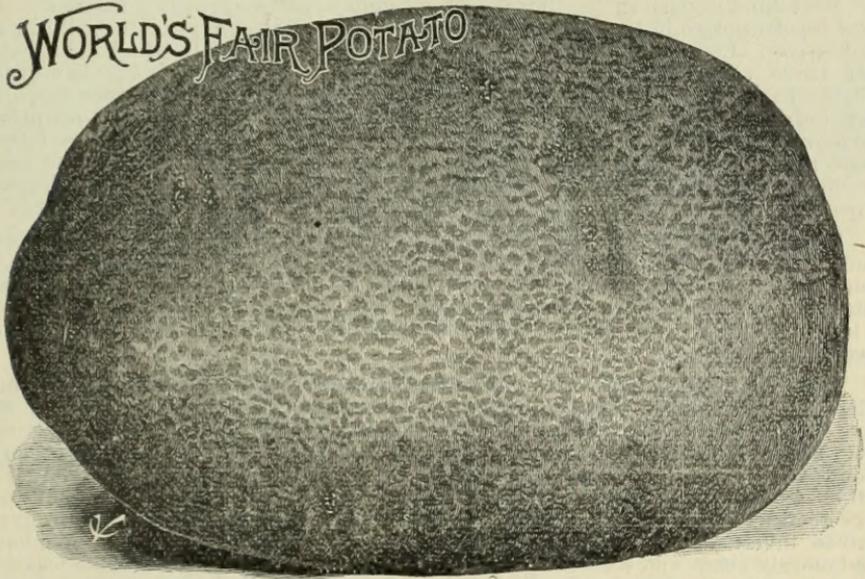
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WORLD'S FAIR POTATO, OUR SPECIALTY.

# To our Friends and Customers.

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WE SEND out our Seventh Annual Catalogue with feelings of gratitude for the success we have had in the past. Last year turned out to be another poor potato year, even poorer than the year before. In many places the crop was an entire failure so that seed will be in demand. *Our* crop was good, although not quite so good as in 1892. In view of the hard times we have put prices lower even than last year. It seems like "a chestnut" to urge people to send their orders in early, but if everyone had done this last year, many disappointments would have been saved.

The World's Fair potato, introduced by us last year, is, we believe, the best potato now grown. Of course this is a great deal to say, but we feel justified in saying it. We intend to push it to the best of our ability, and make it in a few years, the most *popular* potato in the country. We offer it this year at a price that all can afford to pay. Everyone should at least get a start. Probably all who bought Freeman three years ago at \$3.00 a pound, made money out of it. It will be so with World's Fair. This year we make a new departure by offering a few other seeds besides potatoes. We believe we have the best varieties of Seed Oats, and our prices are much lower than those of other seedsmen. We regret that our Seed Corn failed. Shall plan to have a stock next year. We invite our Customers to order their Sweet Corn and Pop Corn of us, as they can be sent with potatoes without additional expense.

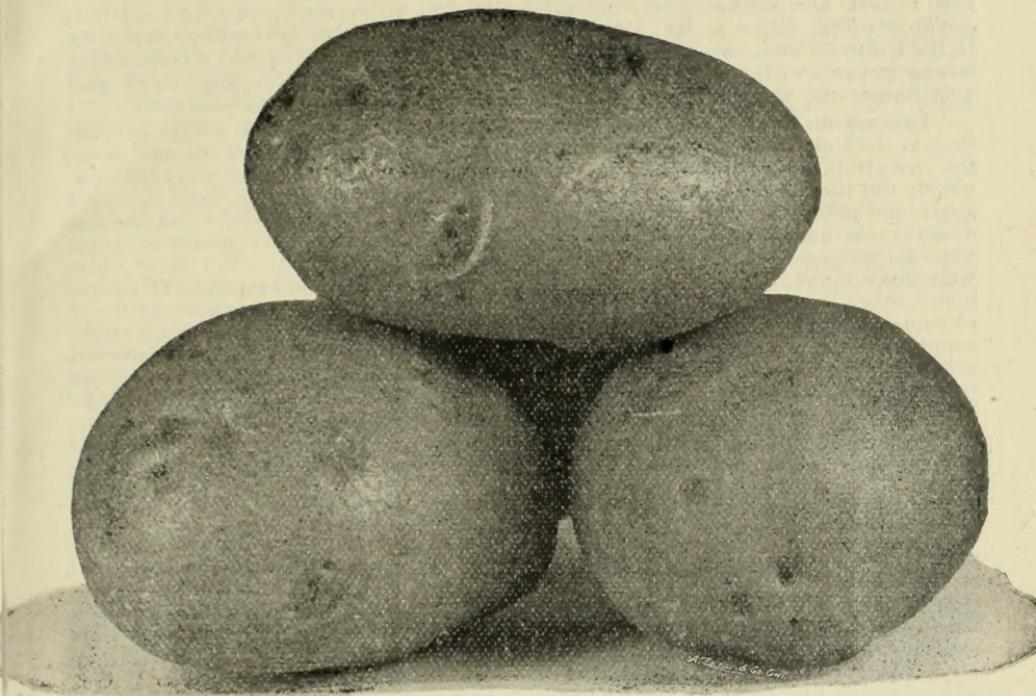
We made a Potato Exhibit at the World's Fair during October, which attracted much attention. We showed 65 varieties on about 120 plates, arranged on shelves rising one above another, the whole surmounted by a large pyramid of World's Fair potatoes. A premium was awarded, as our front cover indicates. We had hoped to have the medal, so that we could produce a fac simile of it, but they have not been gotten out yet.

We want to call attention to our advertisements, especially those of potato machinery. The Hoover Potato Digger is, we believe, the best digger made. We have used one three years, and it does the work in a very satisfactory way. It is a real pleasure to pick up after it, as the potatoes are left all on top, on clean, level ground, the vines and weeds being thrown to one side. The Elevator Digger is rather a necessity to the large grower, although the Common Sense Digger does very good work for a cheap machine, and is a tool that every farmer could well afford to invest in. The Aspinwall Planter is almost a perfect machine. We have used one six years, and we feel that it has paid for its cost every year. There should be one in every neighborhood. Last year we bought one of Mr. Steitz's New Brush Sprinklers. It is a success. Its principal advantage is that it requires so little water. "Sprinkling the bugs," instead of being a hard, disagreeable job, becomes pleasant work and work that is soon finished. Our other advertisers are all reliable. The papers represented are some of the very best.

Thanking our friends for past favors, we remain,

VERY TRULY,

L. L. OLDS.



## WORLD'S FAIR.

This potato was introduced by us last year. We are not given to making extravagant statements, and think we are inclined to regard new things in a conservative way. Yet with what we knew of this potato a year ago, we felt safe in predicting that as the Columbian World's Fair would eclipse any fair ever before projected, so World's Fair potato would take a similar place in the potato world. We said also that, while almost every new potato is chiefly valuable in one or two particulars, World's Fair seemed to possess *all* the requisites of a first class variety. *Now*, as we read these sentences they sound to us very tame. World's Fair has *more than fulfilled* our highest expectations, and we now venture to predict that the time is coming, when all over this great land, this will be *generally regarded as the best of all potatoes*. It will not come in one year, or in two or three. It takes a long time to fully introduce a new potato throughout the whole country.

If this prediction fails in fulfillment it will be simply and solely because we fail to advertise it as we should. It will not be because of any fault in the potato itself. After another year's experience with it, we must say, it really seems to have no faults as a general crop variety. Read what some of our last year's customers say, and see if you are not inclined to agree with us. No one need feel discouraged because they failed to get a start last year. We began with such a small stock that it will be several years before there will be enough World's Fair so that it will be generally offered by seedsmen. This year a number of dealers have written us for a supply of seed for their trade, but we were obliged to refuse them all. We have a fairly large stock on hand, and hope there will be enough for all our customers in small quantities, and yet it is more than likely that we shall run short.

This is our description of World's Fair: Beautiful in appearance, very smooth, eyes few and right on the surface, so that there is the least waste in paring, symmetrical in form and outline, with a creamy-white skin, all covered over with a netting; *quality, absolutely perfect*, as Mr. Terry, one of the best, if not *the* best potato authority in the United States, says; fine grained, pure white, mealy, delicious; a remarkably strong grower, with very thick bushy tops, and fine leaves; tubers good-sized and very numerous, compact in the hill and near the surface; season medium early.

Last season in one of our fields of World's Fair, they made such a large growth that, at the time when the tops were largest, we could stand and look up and down the rows in one part of the field and be unable to tell where the rows were, so completely did they occupy all the space. This from seed cut to one eye, rows 33 inches apart, and pieces 15 inches apart in the row. Walking through the field and looking down it was hardly possible to get glimpses of the ground. We measured some vines 5 feet long from the surface of the ground to the tip ends. Yet these vines were not scraggy, but were abundantly supplied with leaves and branches. Of course many other varieties will make just such wonderful growth as this under favorable circumstances, but what sort of potatoes do they yield? Almost always they are either rough or of poor quality. In another field where we had World's Fair and Freeman side by side the World's Fair yielded 60 per cent. more than the Freeman, both being treated alike. Many of our customers speak of World's Fair as being very much like Freeman. So it is. But it almost invariably grows larger and yields more.

But we do not ask anyone to judge of this potato by what *we* say. Read what some of our friends think of it. Read very carefully and then form your opinions.

Last year we offered a prize of \$10.00 to the one reporting the largest yield from one pound of seed, and \$5.00 for the next largest. The first prize went to Mr. Lorenzo Osborne, Albion, N. Y., who grew 322 pounds from one pound of seed. Read just below how he did it. This is over 25 per cent. more than the best yield reported of the celebrated Freeman in its three years' history. The second prize was won by Mr. Geo. Geier, Dragoon, Wash. His report was 150 pounds from one. Then we offered two Premiums of \$10.00 and \$5.00 for the best two pecks of World's Fair exhibited at Rock County Fair. These premiums were carried off respectively by Mr. C. A. Salisbury, Clinton, Wis., and Mr. E. A. Douglas, Hanover, Wis.

For prices of all varieties see table immediately following the descriptions.

### "The Quality is Perfect."

T. B. TERRY, Hudson, Ohio: "I planted your World's Fair potatoes in our regular field, cutting to one eye and dropping in drills, without manure or fertilizer, except clover, and I have nineteen bushels in the cellar of fine tubers. (Mr. Terry had half a bushel of seed.) The quality is perfect. They are about a week later than Freeman with us. In looks, growth, etc., they seemed to me identical with Freeman, but at the end of the season by longer growth they proved they were different. I shall try them again with great care."

**322 POUNDS FROM ONE POUND.**  
**"At the Head of the List.—Out of 84**  
**varieties, 65 New.—My Ideal**  
**Potato."**

LORENZO OSBORNE, Albion, N. Y.: "In reply to how I grew those World's Fair potatoes, I will say there was one pound consisting of five small potatoes. I prepared a hot bed the usual way about May 1st. The potatoes were cut to one eye, then I split the eyes as far as I could. It can be done if one knows how. I made 140 pieces, placed them in the hot bed eight inches apart, covered with one inch of soil. Cutting them so fine they did

not all grow, but 125 grew. When sprouts were four or five inches high, I cut them to one-fourth inch above the sets, rooted them in a box filled with a mixture of sand, fine barn yard manure, and leaf mold, with a little charcoal dust. After they were rooted a little I took them out and put them in pots. When sprouts grew again on the sets I made cuttings a second time and rooted them as before. When plants in pots were five or six inches high, I took cuttings from the rooted cuttings, leaving two buds on a stalk of the potted plants and rooted them in pots. Soon after the second cuttings were made, I took the pieces from the hot bed and planted them out. When the potted plants were well rooted I set them out in the ground. The cuttings taken from the tops of cuttings and rooted in pots did the best. The last were placed in the ground the 29th of July. Some of the first plants died at the time of setting out. I had 240 plants, but some made little growth, some died and the grubs took some. But when the vines made good growth, they did well, yielding large and very smooth, shapely tubers, the vines remaining bright and green until ripened naturally. When dug, at one turn of the fork they all rolled out. As each hill was lifted out, I observed how uniform in size and true type of the potato they were.

You have a good name for them. As you say, it is an ideal potato in its appearance, very smooth, eyes few and even with the surface, and a most desirable shape, and of first-class quality, either baked or boiled. I shall ever appreciate your efforts in introducing new varieties of potatoes, especially as good a one as the World's Fair. I must say the more I look at them the better I like them. I grew this season 84 varieties, mostly in pound and peck lots, 65 of which were new. I must say as one year's trial I put World's Fair at the head of the list. If it continues to do as well it is my ideal potato."

**'150 Pounds From One.—The Finest Potato I Ever Saw."**

GEO. GEIER, Dragoon, Wash: "The pound of World's Fair potatoes came in fine shape and consisted of four potatoes, from which I planted 33 hills, 32 of them growing.

They are the finest potato I ever saw, and I think they are just the kind for this country. I picked out 17 which weighed 18 pounds, and could have found as many of the same size. I planted them about May 1st, and dug 150 pounds Oct. 2."

**"Larger Than Freeman, and Closer Together in the Hill."**

J. M. SMITH, Green Bay, Wis: "We dug and put away the potatoes that grew from the seed you sent to me some time since, but very poor health must be my excuse for not writing sooner. I like the potatoes very much thus far. They were nice and smooth, not quite as smooth as the Freeman, but averaged larger, and were closer together in the hill. They ripened about the same time as Freeman, and are I think of good quality. To say that they are as good as the Freeman is saying a great deal, for I think the Freeman is just about perfection when on the table."

**"560 Bushels per Acre."**

F. B. VAN ORNAM, (originator of Burpee's Extra Early,) Lewis, Iowa: "Three tubers received, cut to single eye pieces and planted in 40 hills, 18 inches apart in row, rows three feet. Soil, good prairie loam, no fertilizer of

any kind. Cultivated four times with Planet, Jr., slightly hilled at last, hoed twice. Dug Sept. 28; results, 198 small and 153 large tubers, or at the rate of 560 bushels per acre. Quality very good, cooks quickly, and of fine flavor. Appearance, handsome; skin, creamy white, tough and firm, and a good shipper. Eyes, few and close to surface, giving scarcely any waste in peeling."

**"146 1-2 Pounds."**

T. C. WILSIE, Brandon, Wis.: "I have raised some very fine potatoes from the seed bought of you last spring, especially World's Fair and Freeman. I raised from the pound of World's Fair 146½ pounds.

H. B. STREEVER, Larrabee, Iowa: "World's Fair is a model above ground, possessing a top, that for size, shape, vigor and ability to withstand drought, leaves little to be desired. I have faith in its work below the surface.

**"Eight Hundred Bushels Per Acre. As Fine Eating Potatoes as My Wife Ever Cooked. A Bonanza."**

PETER PEARSON, Spiritwood, North Dakota: "You sent me three little specimens of your new "World's Fair" potato, each measuring about two inches in length, so you can imagine the size of the cuts. Well I cut them very carefully to single eyes and planted them one in a hill, and have dug from same forty-seven pounds, 80 per cent. being marketable potatoes. At the rate of yield realized by me with the above mentioned small potatoes, the yield per acre amounts to the rate of eight hundred bushels of as fine eating potatoes as my wife ever cooked. You have a bonanza in this potato if you make a good use of your opportunity."

**"475 Bushels Per Acre."**

H. H. PHILLIPS, Crystal Falls, Mich.: "One pound of "World's Fair" cut to 29 eyes, planted May 29, came up June 15; vitality of

Don't fail to get a start of World's Fair. It is *the* potato.

Early Market, Signal, World's Fair and Rural New Yorker No. 2 will make a fine assortment. If you want four more, take Six Weeks Market, Wisconsin Beauty, Arizona and American Wonder.

Notice our discounts. If you order five barrels of four dollar potatoes, they cost you only \$3.60 per barrel, or about \$1.31 per bushel.

Try the Humphrey Concave Potato Knife, which we offer. We also furnish Potato-Eye Cutters.

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seed, 91% per cent.; vines healthy, medium sized and quite bushy; dug Oct. 5th; total weight 55½ pounds; small tubers, 4 lbs., or 93 per cent. marketable; largest tuber, 1 pound, 11 ounces; five largest tubers, seven pounds. The potato is very attractive looking, being smooth with shallow eyes, and covered with a fine netting. They run very regular as to size, and as to productiveness, according to the yield of one pound, an acre would go about 475 bushels of marketable tubers. We tried the Vaughan beside the World's Fair, and to use the phrase the Vaughan "is not in it" will be all right, the World's Fair being far and away the best in all points, vitality, yield, appearance and quality."

**"A Fine Yield of Shapely, Handsome Tubers of Good Size. Full As Well, If Not Better, Than Freeman."**

"J. W. BAKER, Tiskilwa, Ill.: "Notwithstanding the most unfavorable season we have ever known [except one] your World's Fair potato did exceedingly well, making a fine yield of shapely, handsome tubers of good size. The tops were strong and vigorous, covering the ground well, and entirely free from blight. Among a hundred kinds, fifty of them being novelties, but few equal or surpass them. They are very smooth and white, eyes on surface. I think they did full as well, if not a little better than the Freeman. If not greatly mistaken, yours is one of great merit, and will prove a leader among the novelties."

**67 Pounds From One. "It Beats the Freeman All Hollow."**

HOOVER & MOORE, Antlers, Colo.: "Enclosed please find our report on the World's Fair potato. You certainly have a good potato. It beats the Freeman all hollow in yield, quality and appearance. Both were grown side by side. It is fully as early, a stronger grower, and much finer looking than Freeman."

**"Very Fine in Quality. Yielded Four Times as Great as the Other Potatoes. All of Good, Large Size."**

D. J. PIPER, Forreston, Ill.: "In relation to the World's Fair potato you sent me, it only weighed about two ounces and had nine eyes. I planted each eye separate, about eighteen inches apart, and right in the middle of a lot where I had other sorts. Its yield was eleven pounds of first-class potatoes. We baked one and it was very fine in quality

and very white flesh, dry and mellow. Just what I like in potatoes. Its yield was at least four times as great as the other potatoes, and they were all of good, large size. I think you have a good one."

**"Very Handsome, a Strong Grower and Blight Proof."**

ALBERT GLEASON, Castleton, Ill.: "The sample tuber 'World's Fair' potato which you sent me last spring did well. It is a very handsome variety, a strong grower, and is blight proof."

**60 Pounds from One.**

C. F. PINE, Sherman, Ill.: "I am well pleased with the World's Fair potato. From the one pound planted I raised at the rate of 60 pounds to one. Believe that they are a first-class market potato."

**Fourteen Pounds From Five Eyes. "The Finest Potato I Ever Raised."**

GEO. H. WEED, Lanark, Ill.: "The World's Fair potato that I received from you last spring contained five eyes, was planted April 26 and dug Sept. 15. Received fourteen pounds of fine potatoes, three of which weighed a pound. All were good sized and fine flavored. I believe this potato is the finest I ever raised, and if you have seed to spare, I must have some for another year."

L. SPALDING, River Falls, Wis.: "We have had a very dry, hot summer, which has injured our potatoes badly. From the one pound you sent me I raised 50 pounds, ordinary field culture, and I am well pleased with them. They are good sized, few small ones, and healthy growers. I did not manure or take any extra care of them, for I wanted to see what they would do raised as a field crop."

G. C. FUNSTON, Galena, Ill.: "Mine made 47 pounds, and they are fine potatoes."

**"A Good Potato and a Big Cropper."**

CHAS. A. CHANTER, secretary Kilbourn City Horticultural Society, Kilbourn City, Wis.: "I have much pleasure in informing you that your World's Fair potato is a wonderful success, and can highly recommend it as a good potato and a big cropper."

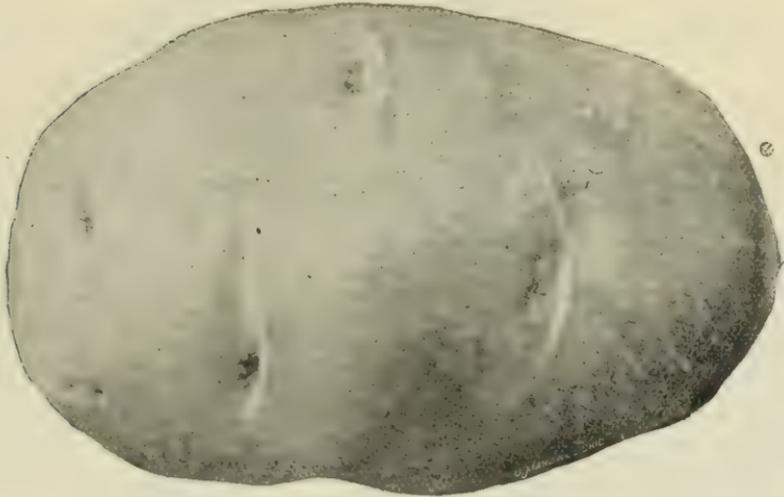
**"Never Ate a Finer One. The Coming Potato."**

GEO. M. GREENWAY, Dartford, Wis.: I planted the potato World's Fair you sent to D. Greenway, and can say it is very fine. I had one baked and never ate a finer one. I think you have the coming potato in the World's Fair."

Get your neighbors to go in with you in making up your orders for Potatoes, and thus get the benefit of the special discounts.

Our potatoes were awarded a premium as a collection at the World's Fair.

Write to our advertisers if you want anything in their line.



## SIGNAL.

This is our favorite early variety. It is a Wisconsin potato, originated by Thomas Crane of Ft. Atkinson, and first sold in 1891. It was in such demand among our customers last year, that although we had a very large stock we ran short, and a great many were disappointed in getting seed. Now we have a good supply again, but wish we had more. Order early if you would be sure of getting them. This is the description of the potato, to quote from our last year's catalogue: Regular in shape, smooth in outline; skin a beautiful light flesh-color, very bright and clear, giving it a pure delicate look; very early, a wonderful strong grower and of excellent quality. Its most striking characteristic is its *great vitality and vigor of growth*. We planted quite a large space last year to Signal. It seemed as if *every piece grew*, and grew very rapidly and strong, so that the vines completely covered the ground and hid it from sight. Our field of Signal when in blossom was a beautiful sight, and attracted a great deal of interest by those who saw it. We never saw potatoes blossom so full. It looked like a great flower garden. As to the yield we do not believe there is another variety, anywhere so *early* as Signal that will out-yield it. So we recommend it this year as the *best standard early*. It was awarded the first premium at the Wisconsin State Fair in 1892.

T. CHALMERS FURNAS, Sheridan Ind.: "Of the several varieties I tested this year I believe the Signal will be ahead, but Polaris is hard to beat, and Freeman is close behind. For late, Rural New Yorker No. 2 is best."

R. M. HOUSTON, Boston Station, Ky.: "I have just finished digging my early potatoes. I am well pleased with those I bought of you last fall. The Signal and Early Market are my favorites, although the other varieties did well. The Ohio Jr. is a splendid potato but I think will not yield with some of the others."

### "Outyielded All Others."

J. H. JOHNSON, Netawaka, Kan.: "I planted the following varieties last year: Green Mountain, Early Wisconsin, Everitt's Six Weeks, Rural New Yorker, Signal, Prize-taker, and two other kinds, but Signal and Rural New Yorker excelled all in size and quality. Signal outyielded all of other kinds."

W. M. POSE, Rockford, Ill.: "My Signal turned out over 200 bushels to the acre on ground that is badly run out. Having the best crop, even on that land, by far, of any one around this country, I feel very well satisfied."

## EARLY MARKET.

We still think just as much of this variety as ever. We have grown it for four years and we regard it as the best of all the Ohio style. Originated by Vick, the introducer of the Ohio Jr., and described by them as follows:

"Early Market is very productive, the tubers having the peculiar markings of the Early Ohio, but quite distinct from that variety, as they are more elongated. As the name implies, this variety is especially recommended to grow for early marketing, as it is unsurpassed in quality by any potato, in the early stages of growth or unripe condition, cooking dry and mealy as soon as the tubers have attained a marketable size. This point will be highly appreciated by market gardeners and others who grow potatoes for early market, and also by those who have their own little garden patch for early use. The tubers are medium to large, light pink or flesh colored, with the specks peculiar to the Ohio class, oval oblong, very uniform in size, eyes flush with the surface; both stem and seed ends are round and full. It is a good keeper, retaining its excellent quality from the time of harvesting until the next planting season."

We recommend this variety wherever Early Ohio does well. In many places, especially on soil that is not very rich, Ohio does not yield well. For such ones we would recommend Signal or Burpee's Extra Early. It is well, however, to have representatives of both types. For, while most years, on good soil, Early Market and Ohio Jr., will yield fine crops, some years they will not do so well. We believe that the Hebron style varieties are *sure* of producing well, but they do not mature a crop as quickly as the Ohio style potatoes, nor do they keep as well in the spring.

J. W. BAKER, Tiskilwa, Ill: "Early Market did finely for such a season. They are fine and large. Not so many in a hill, but good shape and good size. I am very much pleased with them."

GEO. REGENNITTER, Bennett, Ia: "The Early Market is the best early potato I have ever seen. One pound made forty pounds."

MRS. C. L. HEPBURN, Chase, Col: "I recently received your potato catalogue, which I think is a good one. There is not a particle of braggadocia about it. The potatoes I bought from you last spring did very well considering the bad season we had. The Early Market did the best."

S. I. SEARLS, Pecatonica, Ill: "Potatoes arrived all right. Very much pleased with them."

JOHN WALTERS, Oakwood, Ill: "The seed potatoes I got from you have proved very good and I am well satisfied."

J. W. MANNING, Laark, Ill., writes: "Your prices on potatoes are lower than those of any other seedsman I know of."

JOHN OSBORN, Dassel, Minn: "Most of the varieties I got of you did well. Summit, I think, yielded the best. New Queen did well."

H. W. RAREY, Griswold, Ia; "The seed potatoes I got from you last spring did splendidly. The Early Market is the best of any I have got hold of yet, and I have tried a good many."

### "Finest I Have Seen In Years"

W. C. WILSON, Moline, Ill. "The Ohios received were the finest I have seen in years, and the first absolutely pure Ohios I have been able to get for three years."

FRANK SCHLETZBAUM, JR., Huron, Kan: "The Ohio Junior potatoes I received of you last spring did remarkably well. Everyone who sees them is greatly pleased with them."

### From Florida. "Big, Mighty Good and Lots of Them."

JOHN CROSS, Arcadia, Fla: "In regard to the potatoes I purchased of you, while I was away at the World's Fair, my people dug and ate up the potatoes. They said they were 'big, mighty good and lots of them'. I want some more. Send me your last price list."

J. H. FELCH, Amherst June., Wis: "The potatoes you sent me last spring were received in prime condition. They seemed to be packed perfectly." [Mr. Felch ordered thirty varieties, one-half peck each.]

We exercise great care to keep our seed from growing in the cellar.

Get a packet of Potato Seed, and see what you can do with it.

Don't overlook our Seed Oats, Sweet Corn and Pop Corn.



## OHIO JUNIOR.

It is really remarkable how this variety has grown in favor and popularity. It shows for one thing that a new edition of Early Ohio was wanted everywhere. We have had it for a long time, but have been surprised every year at the demand for it, and have always run short. We do not need to describe it, the illustration does that, and it grows like Ohio. Some potato men say that Ohio Junior is a little the earliest of all the Ohio style varieties. We never have been able to see much of any difference in that respect, but have been inclined to regard Early Six Weeks Market as a little ahead of the others in point of earliness.

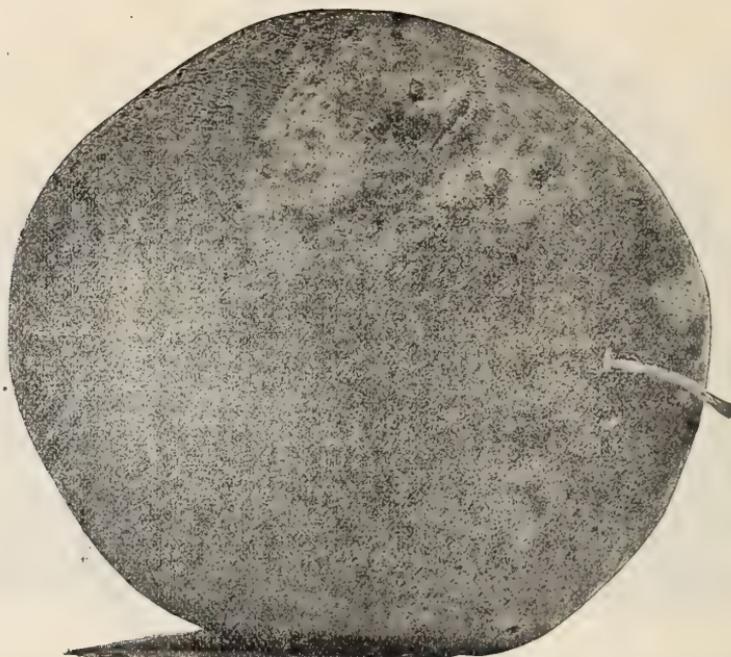
## EARLY SIX WEEKS MARKET.

Introduced in 1890, and already getting to be well known and largely grown. In describing it we quote Gregory, who is not given to exaggeration:

"The Six Weeks is very evidently a seedling from the Ohio, which it very closely resembles in every way, but is earlier, makes rather taller stalks, and appears to yield better on upland than that fine variety. It is well described as growing medium to large size; oblong to round in shape; skin light pink; flesh white; shape smooth; eyes near the surface; tubers grow close together in the hill. The potatoes grow so rapidly that, under favorable circumstances, they are as large as hens' eggs, and therefore fit for family use *in six weeks from time of planting*, and mature in between ten and eleven weeks. We find it a good yielder, and though not so extraordinarily productive as some claim, still a *remarkably good cropper for so early a sort.*"

Although we endorse all the above, we must confess that we have never found them as large as hens' eggs six weeks from planting. We have never dug for them however, as soon as that, and we do not doubt but what they *will* do that under favorable circumstances. In fact many men testify that they *have* done it.

This is the first year that we offer this variety in quantity, although we have grown it three years. It seemed to us to be a little smoother and more uniform in size than Ohio Junior and Early Market, if that is possible, and we hope our old customers who have bought those varieties of us, will also try this.



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## HOWE'S PREMIUM.

Introduced in 1890, by G. D. Howe, of Massachusetts. He says of it: "The most distinct early variety ever offered. It is so unlike other potatoes in appearance that a bushel of them mixed at random in a large pile of one hundred different varieties, could be easily picked out again with a certainty. It is almost perfectly round, pinkish skin, white flesh, is exceedingly early, grows compact in the hill, yields well, resists rot, is good quality, and keeps sound and solid for a year."

We endorse this description, except that we would hardly call it good quality, although we think it is a little better than Stray Beauty, and it has a better color. Gregory & Son report raising 430 bushels on a measured acre of heavily manured land. They recommend it very highly.

## EARLY OHIO.

The most popular and the earliest of all the *older* early varieties. Our seed stock came from J. M. Smith, the well known market gardener. He says of that seed: "We have been selecting seed and trying for fifteen years to improve them, and think we have succeeded in producing a potato much nicer than those we first obtained."

Although Early Ohio is known and grown everywhere, very few have pure seed. The worst of it is, most men do not know that their seed is mixed. Study carefully the cut we present of Ohio Junior, and see if your Early Ohios look like that. For the illustration will do for Early Ohio, Early Market and Everitt's Six Weeks as well as Ohio Junior. They all have the same general appearance. Although they may vary somewhat in shape and other respects, there is always one sure test of the Ohio family, and probably only one. Every tuber, if genuine, will be covered with small pimples that stand out from the surface and give it a rough feeling. We recommend our Ohios as pure and fine.

## STRAY BEAUTY.

This and Howe's Premium are without any question the earliest potatoes we have ever grown. We would like to be able to say that some others of better quality are earliest, but we cannot say it conscientiously. Stray Beauty is almost round in shape, and of a deep red color. It does not grow large, but yields fairly well. The vines are small and low, with short, thick stalks and broad yellowish leaves, and purple blossoms. Although of poor quality, it is a good variety for market-gardeners because of its extreme earliness. It is probably identical with Bliss' Triumph, which has a reputation in market.

## BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY.

One of the most popular new early potatoes. Introduced by W. Atlee Burpee & Co. in 1890. This is their description: "The potatoes are uniformly of good size, entirely free from rough or scabby tubers with very few small ones; oblong in shape, very smooth, eyes set well on the surface, skin creamy white, slightly shaded with pink; the flesh is pure white, remarkably fine, grained and, of the very best table quality. The tubers grow very compact in the hill, with strong and vigorous foliage of an intensely dark green it is a sure cropper, *immensely productive*."

We have grown Burpee's Extra Early for three years, and like it every way. We do not think it is quite as early as Early Ohio, but it grows a larger, more spreading top and is a better yielder and a *surer* yielder.

The originator of this variety, Mr. F. B. Van Ornam, of Iowa, in writing to us says he believes it is catalogued by more leading firms than any other early that has been out no longer, while it has proved one of the best for the south. He says further: "They grow with us, very smooth and are first class in quality, and we believe, will retain their quality, on a greater variety of soil and keep longer in spring than any other early on the market."

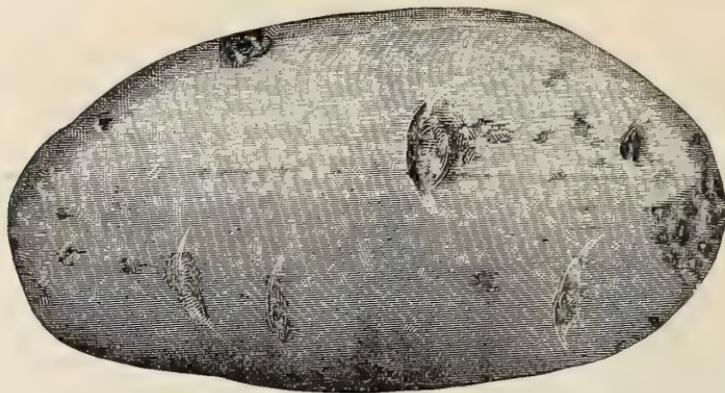
## EXTRA EARLY WALTON.

NEW.

This is a new variety that was first offered for sale two years ago. The stock that we have, grew from a single tuber sent us by the originator, Mr. Van Ornam, in 1891. It is a handsome flesh colored potato, grows a good, vigorous, healthy looking top, matures its crop very quickly, and yields a compact bunch of smooth, good-sized tubers of excellent quality. The Rural New Yorker says the quality of Extra Early Walton is about perfect. Mr. Van Ornam, who also originated Burpee's Extra Early, says: "With us it is the heaviest cropping early potato I ever grew."

## FREEMAN.

Nearly everyone has heard of the Freeman, so that we need not describe it. Introduced by Maule in 1891, and sold the first year at \$3 a pound, it is probably safe to say that no potato ever brought so large a profit to its introducer during the first three years of its history. Our World's Fair is very similar to Freeman in many respects, so much so in fact that some men have hinted that it might be the same thing. But this could not be possible, as Freeman originated in Minnesota, while World's Fair is a Wisconsin potato. Moreover there are decided differences. While both are very beautiful and both are perfect in quality and look and grow much alike, World's Fair is a little later than Freeman and has almost invariably grown larger and yielded more where the two have been tested together. In 1892 where we grew them in the same field under the same conditions, there was a difference in yield of twenty-five bushels per acre in favor of World's Fair, while last year we were surprised ourselves to find that *World's Fair yielded 60 per cent. more than Freeman growing side by side*. We expect to sell all our Freeman just because they are Freeman, but we feel confident that World's Fair is the better potato.



## EARLY WISCONSIN.

We introduced this variety in 1891. It is valuable for its extreme earliness and very fine quality. It is earlier than any other variety of Hebron or Rose style that we have ever grown, and is also of better quality. Does not yield so well as Signal or Burpee's Extra Early under ordinary circumstances, but it grows smoother, and on rich soil produces very large crops. It is a cross of Early Ohio and Snowflake. It is not the same as Salzer's Early Wisconsin. The two varieties were introduced at the same time and just happened to receive the same name. We describe it as follows: Remarkably smooth and uniform in shape and very handsome; eyes shallow; skin covered with a netting (a sign of extra quality:) color, not exactly pink or flesh color, but a very pretty orange color, shading to pink around the eyes. It is quite distinct in appearance, but resembles Lee's Favorite perhaps more than any other variety, in color. Does not grow *extra* large or yield as much as some varieties, although its yield last year was *ahead of the average* of our crop, but it is of *extra fine flavor as a table potato*. We have found it good either boiled or baked just as soon as large enough to dig, *even if not fully ripe*.

"The Best Potato I Ever Raised."

WM. SHOWMAN, Showman, Kan; "The Early Wisconsin were fine, the best potato

I ever raised, in size and taste, and the best to yield for early potatoes. Early Wisconsin every time and all the time."

## WISCONSIN BEAUTY.

NEW.

A handsome, early, white potato, originated by F. A. Heubner, of Manitowoc, Wis., who also originated Cream City, Arizona, Badger State, and others. We were struck with the beauty of this potato, when Mr. Heubner sent us a sample for testing, three years ago. We have been carefully watching it ever since, and have been much pleased with its behavior. Now we catalogue it for the first time, and thus describe it: Pure white in color, rather long, smooth and regular in shape, of good quality, cooking up dry and floury, fully as early as Early Puritan or Early Rose, and an *unusually large yielder*, with strong, dark green, bushy tops, blossoming very full.

The second year we grew this variety we had only a small piece of ground, but it set the standard for the whole field, and we find that in our field notes all of the other varieties were marked according as they compared with the Wisconsin Beauty. The yield that year was about at the top. Last year it was unfortunately planted in the poorest field we had. We were disappointed in its yield, although it went ahead of everything in that field (21 varieties) except Early Walton. So while the stock we have to send out this year will not run so very large, we know they will do well and please.



## PEARL OF SAVOY.

One of our oldest varieties, but still a good one. In type it is a regular Early Rose. Tubers are the same shape, and also the same color, or possibly a little lighter. It is more productive, however, and we think a little earlier. Read what one of our Michigan customers says about it.

H. H. PHILLIPS, Crystal Falls, Mich: "Enclosed find outline of a Pearl of Savoy which I husked out for dinner to-day. It is not ripe but a very promising youngster. One pound, eleven ounces, with fourteen other tubers in the hill and but one small one. I

dug five bushels smooth, good sized potatoes from 63 hills. "Credit to whom credit is due" good seed, fair soil."

[These Pearl of Savoy of Mr. Phillips' grew from our 'Second Sized' seed.—L. L. OLDS.]

## EARLY PURITAN

An early white potato. Very handsome. Originated by Coy and introduced by Henderson. Probably no potato ever had a larger sale the first year than Early Puritan. With Peter Henderson to advertise it, with his immense list of patrons, its distribution was very thorough, so that now, although only six years old, the potato is well known and is advertised in nearly every catalogue.

Early Puritan is a seedling of Beauty of Hebron. Is, perhaps, a little earlier and yields more. The color is not like Beauty of Hebron, however, but pure white. Tubers long and smooth. We think very highly of it because it is so fine looking and produces so well. We have grown it for four years, and it has stood every year near the top as to yield.

## POLARIS.

Last year we recommended this variety very highly. As a result it was in great demand, and we sold ourselves short—so we had only a few to plant, and now are short again this year. It produced remarkably in 1892, but not so well last year with circumstances unfavorable. We know it is a splendid variety however.

## CREAM CITY.

Originated by Heubner, and introduced by Currie Bros. So it is strictly a Wisconsin potato. It is quite early, smooth, long, white, handsome. It has done well with us during the two years that we have grown it; and we find it of very fine quality, cooking dry and mealy. It yielded better last year than Early Puritan, which it somewhat resembles.

## ARIZONA.

Introduced in 1890 by Mr. Vaughan. He thus speaks of it: "In color a little brighter shade than the original Early Rose. It originated in Arizona from a cross of the Early Rose with the native wild mountain potato. Very hardy; it is a second early, an *extra cropper* and shows a vigorous habit that makes us believe it has come to stay."

We think Arizona is the best one of our rose-colored varieties. It yields remarkably even in dry seasons, and the tubers are quite smooth, not at all deep-eyed like the Belle type varieties, and it is of good quality too. We recommend it as a sort of an ironclad.

## EVERITT.

Another second early rose-colored variety. We have had it a good while, and it has always been one of our very best yielders. Our stock this year is very fine.

## SUMMIT.

Better known and more popular than either Everitt or Arizona. We think it is inclined to grow larger than either of those varieties, with fewer small ones, but we do not find it so sure a yielder. The tubers are smooth however and of good quality.

## GOV. RUSK.

Another Wisconsin Potato. Of the same general appearance as Arizona, Everitt and Summit, but perhaps a little later in season. About a medium. Very fine quality and smooth. Not quite equal to Everitt as a yielder, but usually smoother.

## VAUGHAN.

Introduced by Mr. Vaughan in 1891. It has been largely advertised by him, and already holds a prominent place among the many fine varieties of the last few years. It is a very handsome looking flesh-colored variety, is early and a good yielder. In our '93 catalogue we said it seemed to have one serious fault, a lack of vitality. Last season, however, our seed grew all right.

## CROWN JEWEL.

A seedling of Early Ohio, but not at all like Ohio in appearance, as it has a white skin. It is a very beautiful potato, smooth and regular in shape, and of good quality. It is a general favorite wherever it has been tried.

### "The 'Nancy Hanks' of Potatoes."

J. C. SANBORN, Milton, Wis: "The Early Wisconsin is the best grower and the best yielder I ever raised. It is as good quality for table use as I ever used. The Early Wisconsin, as an early potato, with us stands the same as Nancy Hanks stands among trotters—at the head."

C. L. KOHLENBERGER, Edon, Ohio: "Those seed potatoes that I ordered from you last spring arrived in good shape, and were up to the description in your catalogue. I planted the Early Vaughan with the rest of my early varieties, and they were ahead of the rest in growth, yield and quantity, and made a good showing as to color. The season was a trying one but they stood the test well."

S. I. SEARLS, Peconica, Ill: "I liked the Vaughan and Everitt the best. I think the Everitt outdid the others in yield, and there are not so many small ones among them."

N. C. MESSENGER, Omaha, Neb: "I am pleased to learn you are having a great demand for your seed potatoes, and I do not wonder at it for you sell good seed."

JOHN B. WRISLEY, Central Point, Ore: "I very much regret not getting your circular sooner. I sent to— for seed. He sent me eyes and not one sprouted. I believe the potatoes had been salted. I will call on you next spring."

B. E. PRATHER, Hillsdale, Kan: "Potatoes came all right. Am well pleased both with the potatoes and your way of doing business."

## JUNE EATING.

Originated by Thomas Crane, Ft. Atkinson, Wis. Probably the best known and most popular of all Mr. Crane's varieties, and we believe also the most valuable, excepting his two new varieties, Signal and Koshkonong. As far as looks are concerned, June Eating is a beauty. It is not rose colored, nor white, but half way between—a beautiful flesh color. The shape is all right, not much different in that respect from Beauty of Hebron. It grows smooth, with few eyes. In season it ranks with varieties regarded as extra early. As a *cooker* and table potato, no fault whatever, can be found with it.

## SUNRISE.

Pretty well known now everywhere, and very popular as an extra early. It is of the Early Rose style. A very smooth potato and real early.

## THORBURN.

Originated by E. L. Coy, of West Hebron, N. Y. A seedling of Beauty of Hebron. We would place it right along with June Eating. They are similar. A description of one is a description of the other. Thorburn is rather the more widely known, perhaps because it is an eastern potato. Our preference would be for the June Eating.

## NEW QUEEN.

Originated by Geo. W. P. Jerrard, of Maine. Getting to be very popular. Of Hebron style, but perhaps a little longer, resembling White Elephant.

## BEAUTY OF HEBRON.

Well known everywhere. We still continue it and can furnish it to those who desire. We have pure seed.

### "Your Seed All Good, Smooth Potatoes."

R. J. MEHAFFEY, Vegetable and Fruit Grower, North Bend, Neb: "I grew 40 bushels from four pecks, one peck of each kind. Crane's June Eating yielded 12½ bu.; Pearl of Savoy, 11 bu.; Burpee's Extra Early, 10 bu.; Crown Jewel, 7. There were very few small ones, and they were very smooth and free from scab. Everitt, Summit and Ohio Jr. were the smoothest, largest and the finest looking potatoes I ever grew, and I did not order my potatoes until late last spring and also potatoes were only one-third of a crop. I ordered from you 12 pecks. I grew 75 bushels and I found you gave 15 pounds full weight. Your seed was all good smooth potatoes. You shall have an order this year from me."

L. L. PRATT, Concord, Ill: "The two barrels of potatoes I ordered of you arrived last Monday, were opened to day, and we are very well pleased with them."

### "Your Way of Packing is Excellent."

JOHN P. WYLIE, Prairie Center, Ill: "Your way of packing several varieties in a barrel is excellent as they are pure and not mixed. Of the eight varieties received from you, all are good, dry and mealy. I believe that if farmers would change seed often, they would have better luck raising potatoes."

### "Refreshing to Read Your Honest Descriptions."

A. F. WHITRIGHT, a prominent potato specialist of Ohio, writes: "Your catalogue at hand and carefully noted. In justice to you I must say it is the best gotten up of any I ever saw. I have long deprecated the practice of many seedsmen in cataloguing so many varieties, as distinct, and it is refreshing to read your *honest descriptions*."

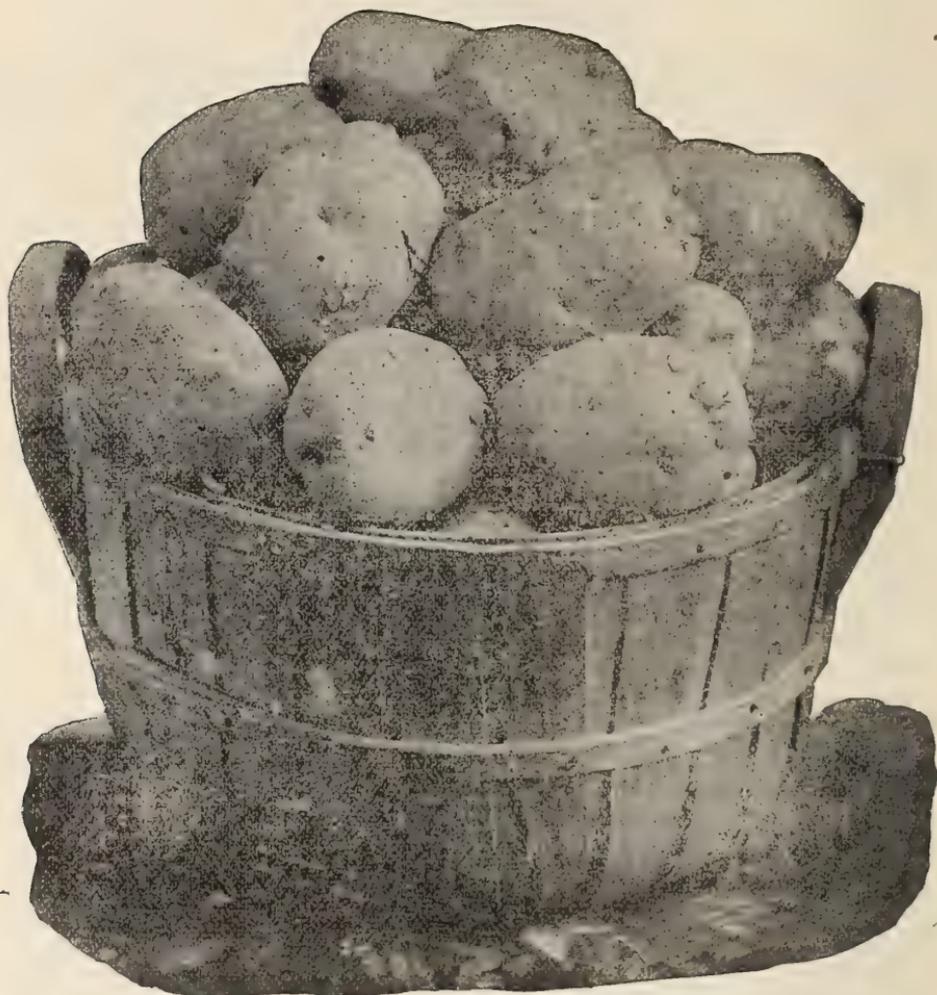
WILL H. PARK, Dorchester, Mo: "All the seed potatoes arrived in fine condition last spring. The New Queen, Signal and Early Wisconsin were very satisfactory, especially the New Queen, which seems well adapted to this soil and climate."

### "You Know What You Are Talking About."

ALVA PHENIX, Wonewoc, Wis., writes: "I received your catalogue some time ago. Find by reading that you know what you are talking about. You have given a correct history of several potatoes that I have tested."

**\$378 Per Acre on Thorburn.**

F. G. AUSTIN, Effingham, Ill: "Have used your potatoes for two years. Last year I sold \$63.00 worth of Thorburn from one-sixth of an acre of land."



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A BUSHEL OF RURAL NEW YORKER NO. 2 POTATOES CONSISTING OF JUST 48 TUBERS.

## RURAL NEW YORKER No. 2.

Unquestionably the most popular new late potato in the United States. All of the varieties we have described thus far are classed as early. Now we begin with the late ones, and we place Rural New Yorker first. It is not a real late potato, after all, but considerably later than the preceding. Is called by most catalogues "medium."

It originated on the experimental grounds of the Rural New Yorker, and was introduced for the first time in 1889. Quite distinct in appearance; skin and flesh white; quality, excellent; shape, nearly round, somewhat flattened; tubers, large,

*very large*, but not rough or irregular; eyes, quite shallow, and general form, symmetrical. Very strong and vigorous in growth and *an immense yielder*.

Its appearance while growing is different from all other varieties. The stalks are thick and stout and very dark colored, growing upright at first, afterward spreading around and lopping over in every shape; leaves, small and of the darkest green; blossoms, purple. It is slow in getting started and the first part of the season looks very unpromising, but later on gets down to work in earnest, and keeps on growing after most all other varieties are dead.

In our Seed Potato Exhibit at the World's Fair, this variety seemed to attract more attention than anything else. All who were familiar with it, and there were many, spoke of it in the highest terms.

Last year we had a very large stock of Rural New Yorker, but we sold them all out and had many orders that we could not fill. We have a still larger stock this year, and they are very fine, but we expect a very large demand, for we recommend them as next to the World's Fair, the best and most profitable main-crop variety. Of course many will feel that they cannot afford to buy more than enough for a start of World's Fair this year, and such ones cannot do better than take Rural New Yorker for their next choice.

#### "They Are Dandies."

ALBERT TRUMBULL, Beaver Creek, Minn.: "I received the potatoes (R. N. Y. No. 2) all right. They are dandies, and I am satisfied that you keep good seed."

#### "The Finest Looking I Ever Saw."

E. G. STONE, Logan, Iowa: "I was at Mr. John Dartings, of Missouri Valley, about a week ago. I saw there some potatoes he had just received from you, named Rural New Yorker No. 2. I thought them the finest looking I ever saw. You may send some of them. They, with the others make five varieties."

#### "An Ironclad Variety."

ALBERT GLEASON, Castleton, Ill.: "The Rural New Yorker No. 2 has shown itself to be an ironclad variety, and has made a good crop, in spite of floods, drouth, blight and Colorado beet c."

Mr. Gleason wrote us also a year ago as follows: "Of the potatoes which I purchased of you last spring I regard the Rural New Yorker No. 2 as the very best. It is a very

handsome variety, enormously productive, and in quality without an equal. I grow thirty varieties of potatoes and rank the Rural New Yorker No. 2 as superior to all others. In fact, it is about perfect."

#### "Yielded An Immense Crop."

ALVA PHENIX, Wonewoc, Wis.: "The potatoes that I bought of you did well. Rural New Yorker and Koshkonong yielded an immense crop, far better than anything we raised on our place."

HENRY WANDSNIDER, Brookfield, Wis.: "I like the looks of the pound of Rural New Yorker No. 2 which I received from you. Please send me your lowest figures on two or three barrels of seed."

M. LOFTUS, Ivesdale, Ill.: "Please ship me one barrel of Rural New Yorker No. 2 and one-half bushel of Signal. Those I got last year did well. I am very well pleased. I cannot see much difference between Rural New Yorker and Koshkonong. They did splendidly, although not a very good season."

## AMERICAN WONDER.

### NEW.

Introduced by the Vicks two years ago, and likely to prove a decided acquisition to our list of late varieties. It is a long, very showy white potato, but does not seem to have the fault of some long varieties of tapering out at the ends. It grows a very large, branching top, thickly covered with green foliage, and white blossoms. Tubers are large and plenty of them in a hill. The introducers speak of it as "Nearest to blight proof, strongest growing, most productive and best late potato for general field culture ever introduced." With us last year, it was one of our very best yielders, and we find that it is also of excellent quality, cooking dry and mealy. The only fault we find with it is that the eyes are a little deep, although it is not bad in this respect.



### **KOSHKONONG.**

A new variety of great promise, originated by Crane in 1885, and introduced for the first time in 1891. It is, therefore, the mate to Signal, but is entirely different from Signal in season, style, color and shape. The cut well represents its shape and general appearance. The color is white; season, medium late; size, large to very large, no small ones; keeping qualities, as good as the very best; tubers, all firm and sound. Grows a large, strong, spreading top, and is a tremendous yielder.

### **BURBANK'S SEEDLING.**

We never have catalogued this variety before. It is usually of poor quality, and so we did not want to recommend it. But it is grown for the Chicago market more largely than any other variety, and brings the highest price there because of its fine appearance. So we procured seed of it last year to plant, in order to have a stock for those who wanted it. We have the genuine.

### **BROWNELL'S WINNER.**

**NEW.**

Introduced in 1890 by Burpee. It is a cross of the White Star and Peachblow. It is medium late in season, light pink in color, produces well and grows smooth. The originator, Mr. Brownell of Vermont, says: "I think it is superior in all respects to any variety that I have ever originated or grown."

### **BADGER STATE.**

Originated by Huebner and introduced by Vaughan in 1889. A long, smooth, very showy, white potato. It originated from a seed-ball of Burbank's Seedling, which in fact it closely resembles. It would be called Burbank's anywhere, and has the advantage over that variety of being newer blood.

## ADDITIONAL VARIETIES.

The following varieties we can furnish only in small quantities. Some of them we would not recommend. We have grown them for some time, and they do not do as well as at first. Others among them are more valuable, but our stock is so small this year that we simply list them in this way without describing them. We will furnish them while they last at the following prices: By mail, prepaid, 1 pound, 25 cents; 3 pounds, 60 cents. By express or freight, not prepaid, 1 pound, 15 cents;  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck, 35 cents; peck, 50 cents. Write for prices on larger quantities. One medium sized tuber, not prepaid, of each of the 28 varieties for \$1.50.

### EARLY.

Sunlit Star.  
Lee's Favorite.  
Early Albino.  
Chas. Downing.  
Early Illinois.  
Pootatuck,  
Vick's Extra Early.

### MEDIUM AND LATE.

Fearnaught.	Alexander's Prolific,	Gen. McClellan.
Empire State.	American Giant.	Halo of Dakota.
Garfield,	Monroe Seedling.	Rose Seedling,
Ben Harrison.	Burpee's Superior.	Manitoba Rose.
Dakota Red.	Houghton Rose.	Read's Eighty-Six.
Juniata,	Gov. Foraker,	Beauty of Lansdowne,
Red Giant.	Extra Keeper.	Queen of the Valley.

## NEW VARIETIES.

Prices of the following: By mail, prepaid, 1 pound, 30 cents; 3 pounds, 75 cents. By express or freight, not prepaid, 1 pound, 20 cents;  $\frac{1}{2}$  peck, 45 cents; peck, 65 cents. One medium sized tuber, not prepaid, of each of the 12 varieties, for \$1.00.

### EARLY.

Van Ornam's Earliest,  
Salzer's Early Wisconsin.  
Salzer's World's Fair.

### MEDIUM AND LATE.

Perfect Gem,	Harbinger,	Prizetaker,
White Lily,	Peoples,	White Flour,
Late Ohio,	Ideal,	King's Co. Mammoth.

## OUR SECOND SIZED POTATOES.

We are very particular to sort our potatoes over carefully by hand before packing for shipment, throwing out everything under market size as well as all rough and imperfect potatoes. So it happens that of most varieties we have a limited stock of *Second Sized Potatoes*. (which, however, does not include rough and imperfect ones; we feed all such to stock). These second sized potatoes are all right for planting, and are preferred by many because they go so much farther. Some have an idea that if they plant small potatoes they must expect to harvest small ones. This is not exactly so. Doubtless if the small ones *only* are planted year after year for several years, it will tend to run out the variety sooner, but if the seed is properly prepared it will not make so much difference. Cut off the seed end of every small and medium sized tuber and throw that away. Then if the potato is not too small cut it lengthwise into two or sometimes more pieces. There must not be too many eyes in a hill, and there must not be too many eyes for the size of the piece. We have proved the value of the above practice many times in our experience. Last year we ran out of Second Size first of nearly all varieties.

# PRICE LIST.

<b>VARIETIES.</b>  ARRANGED AS NEARLY AS POSSIBLE IN ABOUT THE ORDER OF RIPENING.	FIRST SIZE.			SECOND SIZE.		
	PECK, 15 Lbs.	BUSHEL, 60 Lbs.	BARREL, 165 Lbs.	PECK, 15 Lbs.	BUSHEL, 60 Lbs.	BARREL, 165 Lbs.
Stray Beauty.....	\$ 50	\$1 60	\$4 00			
HOWE'S PREMIUM.....	60	1 70	4 25			
SIX WEEKS' MARKET.....	60	1 80	4 50	\$ 40	\$1 40	\$3 50
Ohio Junior.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
EARLY MARKET.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
Early Ohio.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
EARLY WISCONSIN.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
BURPEE'S EXTRA EARLY.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
Early Walton.....	60	1 80	4 50			
Sunrise.....	45	1 50	3 75			
SIGNAL.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
Pearl of Savoy.....	45	1 50	3 75			
WISCONSIN BEAUTY.....	75	2 00	5 00	40	1 40	3 50
CREAM CITY.....	60	1 70	4 25			
Early Puritan.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
June Eating.....	45	1 50	3 75			
New Queen.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Thorburn.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Beauty of Hebron.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Vaughan.....	50	1 60	4 00			
Polaris.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
Crown Jewel.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
FREEMAN.....	1 25	3 25	6 50	75	2 50	5 00
<b>World's Fair</b> .....	1 25	3 50	7 50			
ARIZONA.....	50	1 60	4 00	35	1 20	3 00
Everitt.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Summit.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Gov. Rusk.....	50	1 60	4 00			
Delaware.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Badger State.....	50	1 60	4 00			
Burbanks Seedling.....	45	1 50	3 75			
Brownell's Winner.....	50	1 60	4 00			
RURAL NEW YORKER NO. 2.....	50	1 60	4 00			
Koshkonong.....	45	1 50	3 75			
AMERICAN WONDER.....	75	2 00	5 00			

Any variety in the above table, except World's Fair and Freeman, by mail, one pound, 25 cents; three pounds, 60 cents; post paid. By express or freight, not prepaid, one pound, 15 cents; one-half peck, 35 cents.

**PRICES OF FREEMAN**—By mail, postpaid, one pound, 40 cts.; three pounds, 90 cts. By express or freight, not prepaid, one pound, 30 cts.; one-half peck, 75 cts.; peck, \$1.25; bushel, \$3.25; barrel, \$6.50.

**PRICES OF WORLD'S FAIR**—By mail postpaid, one pound 50 cts.; three pounds \$1. By express or freight, not prepaid, one pound 40 cts.; one-half peck \$1; peck \$1.25; one-half bushel \$2.00; bushel \$3.50; barrel \$7.50.

## DELAWARE.

Originated in Vermont and introduced by Gregory in 1888. It is something like Alexander's, or perhaps a little larger and later in season, and a little more rank in growth. The shape varies somewhat from rather long to nearly round and flattened. Skin, white; eyes, rather large; size of tubers, large to very large and quality excellent; fine grained, dry and mealy. A strong, rank grower, and a very heavy yielder. Its yield record at the Rural New Yorker farm is at the rate of 1028½ bushels per acre.

### "More Than Pleased."

L. F. BUTTERFIELD & SON, Wilton, Iowa: "Have just finished digging crop of potatoes raised from seed bought of you last fall, and we are *more than pleased*. All are of the best quality, and while the crop is exceedingly light yet it is three times that of others here. Have you good pure stock of Delaware potatoes? If so can you furnish us 50 to 150 bushels, and at what price?"

H. H. PHILLIPS, Crystal Falls, Mich.: "My potatoes, World's Fair, Delaware and Pearl of Savoy, are the finest looking patch in this part of the country. The Delawares are the best and healthiest looking potatoes that I ever saw. Please book me for two barrels Signal and one barrel best medium late, Rural New Yorker or something of that kind, for next spring. Just remember the Signal this time."

## SPECIAL OFFER, DISCOUNTS, SUBSTITUTIONS.

As a special offer we will make up a barrel of any *three* varieties, your selection, at the *barrel* rates of those varieties, or a barrel of any *eleven* varieties at the *bushel* rates of those varieties.

We will make a discount of *five per cent.* on every *ten dollar* order and a discount of *ten per cent.* on *twenty dollar* orders. In other words, if your order amounts to \$10 send \$9.50, or if it amounts to \$20 send \$18. These discounts apply also to oats and other seeds, and in fact to everything that we offer.

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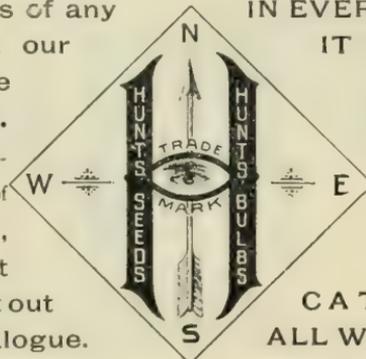
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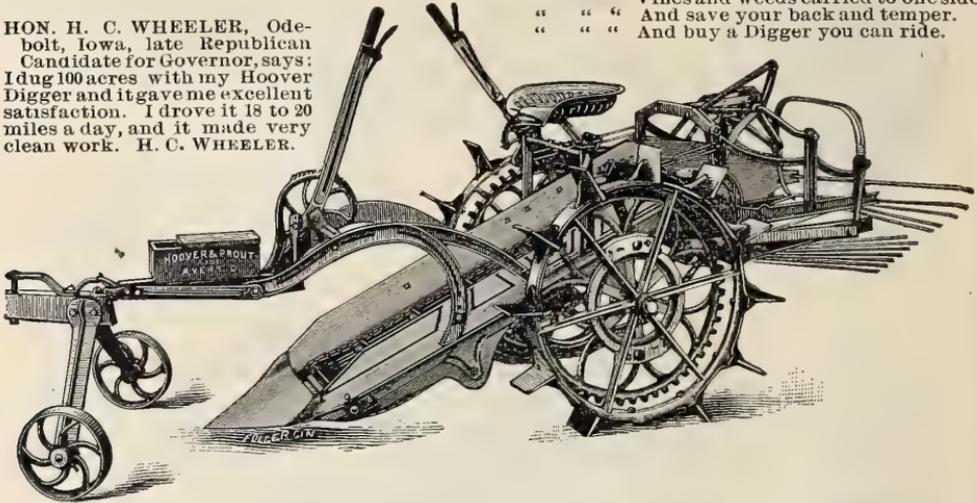
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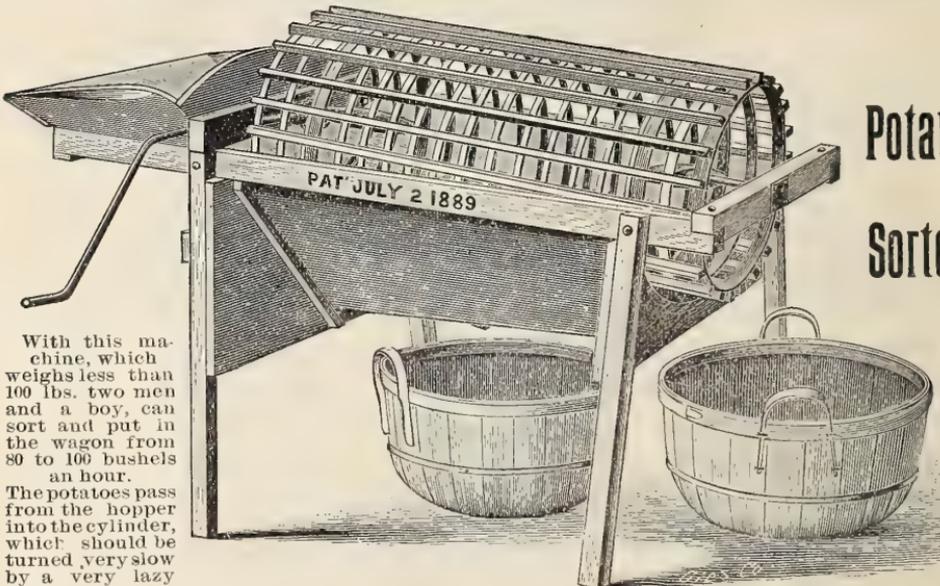
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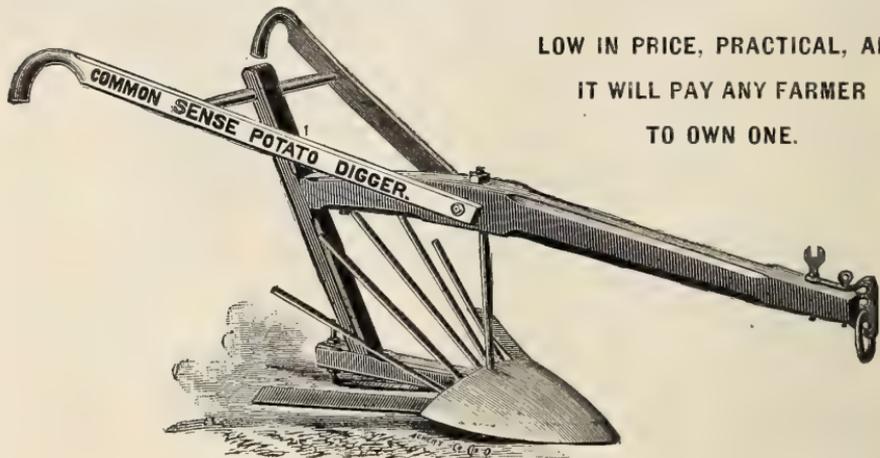
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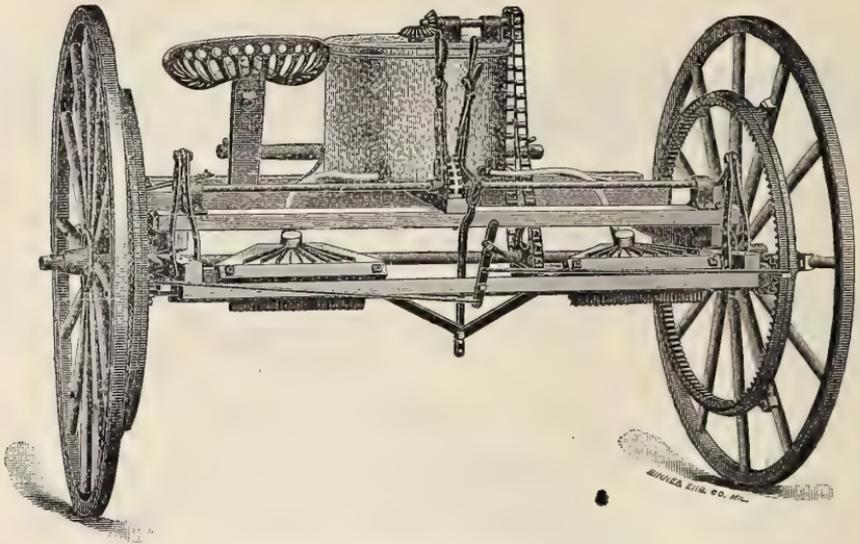
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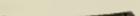
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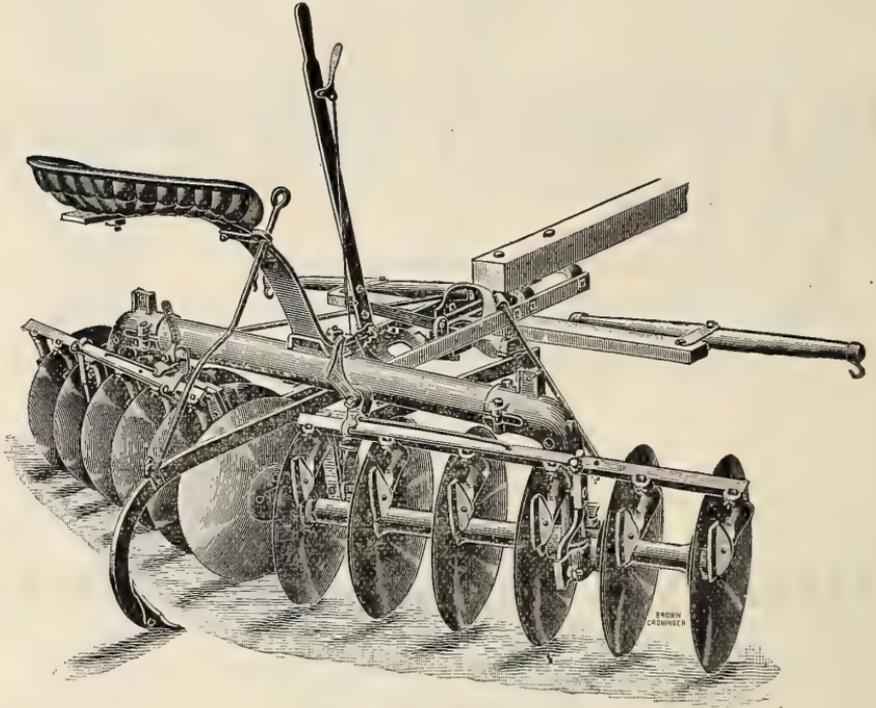
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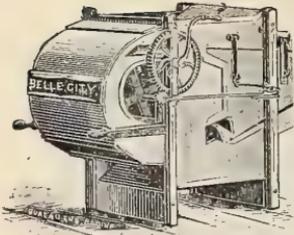
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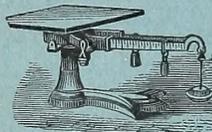


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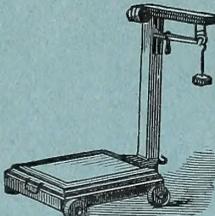


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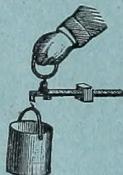
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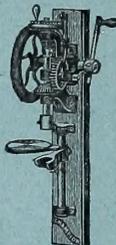
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