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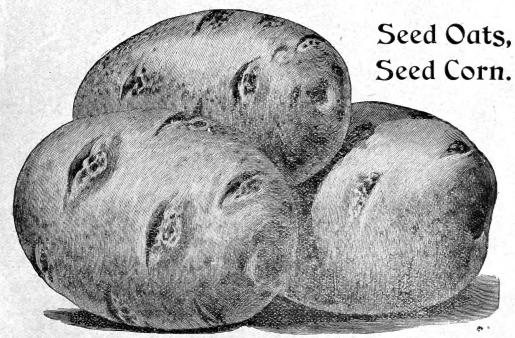
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OF

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(A GOOD ILLUSTRATION OF ALL THE OHIO STYLE VARIETIES.)

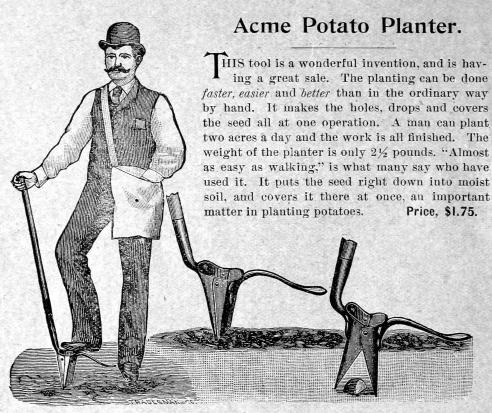
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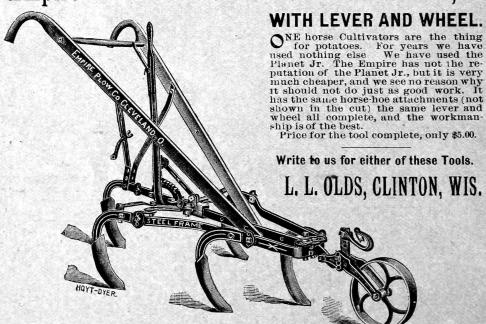
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Best New and Standard Varieties.

Our business is growing Seed Potatoes and Farm Seeds and Selling direct to those who plant.



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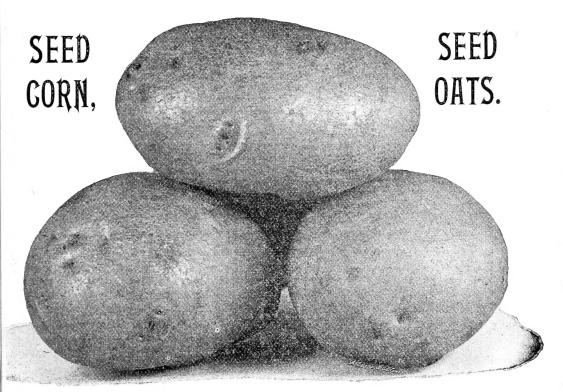


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WORLD'S FAIR POTATO.
(FROM A PHOTOGRAPH, REDUCED IN SIZE.)

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Another Year's Experience.

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We made a mistake last year in beginning to ship a little too soon. Potatoes packed carefully in tight barrels will stand a good deal, but they will not stand zero weather with a high wind. It was so very mild last winter that we began shipping our Southern orders on the 18th of March, which was a little earlier than we had ever ventured to ship before. At the time our spring blizzard came, the very last of March, we had probably more potatoes out on the road than at any other time. Soon the letters began pouring in telling of the different lots being wholly or in part spoiled by freezing. It was new experience for us, as we never had had any such trouble before. Our Catalogue did not guarantee the potatoes against freezing, but we refilled most of the orders, except where they had given definite instructions to ship at the time we did. We have decided that this year we will guarantee all our potatoes to arrive in good order, if the question of time of shipping is left to our discretion. It is usually safe enough to ship to points south of us after March 18, and it is quite likely we shall begin shipping about that time this year, and guarantee them, too.

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Last year, for the first time in our remembrance, early planted potatoes did not do as well as later planted ones. It has always been our rule to plant as early as possible, and we never missed it before by doing so. But last year our June frost came when the early planted potatoes were almost ready to blossom and injured them very seriously, cutting some of them clear down to the ground. Then later on came the dry, hot weather which stopped the growth too soon. The later varieties, however, were not up high enough to be much injured by the late frost, and they remained green until the fall rains came to help them out. But exceptions only prove the rule, and we still say, plant early.

We keep adding to our outfit of Potato Machinery. We thought we had about all we could use before, but last year we tried a new tool. It was the Aspinwall Potato Cutter. It did not seem possible that any machine could be made that would do the cutting at all satisfactorily, but we were surprised at the work it did. Of course the machine does not hunt out the eyes, but if the operator is careful to feed each potato in right side up, it will divide the eyes very evenly. We thought that with potatoes of medium size and of regular shape, it did the work full as well as our hired help did by hand, and in some cases a good deal better. When it came to the matter of expense, of course there was a great saving, as the machine will do the work as fast as three or four men with knives. The machine cuts a little finer than we had been in the habit of doing, butthis is no objection with the Aspinwall

machine will do the work as fast as three or four men with knives. The machine cuts a little finer than we had been in the habit of doing, butthis is no objection with the Aspinwall Planter, as it is a very rare thing that a piece is found with no eye on it. We plant early varieties ten and thirteen inches apart in the row and late ones fifteen and seventeen.

In regard to our way of tending the crop. We have done all the work for several years, excepting harrowing once or twice before the potatoes came up, with Planet Jr., one-horse cultivators, and they suit us very well. Our way is to run the cultivators just as wide as possible the first time through, when the potatoes are small, and run them deep, throwing the soil onto the rows both sides and perhaps entirely covering them. In this way we keep the weeds from starting in the rows. Then as the vines grow large we gradually narrow up. The Steitz Brush Sprinkler for poisoning the bugs proved a bonanza last year, as the bugs were very thick. This machine works on a new plan. It sprays the liquid on in a fine mist instead of sprinkling it, and thus requires very much less water, and so does away with

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an immense amount of work.

In digging we use a Hoover, and it does very satisfactory work. It leaves the potatoes all on top, on level ground and onclean ground, the vines and weeds being thrown to one side.

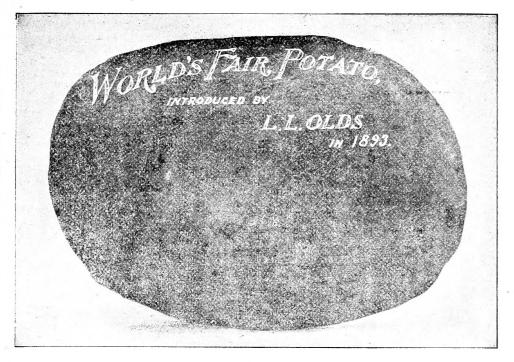
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We have a way of handling our potatoes that is an immense improvement over dumping them into a wagon box and then shoveling them out again. We use bushel boxes, 2 feet long, II inches wide and 10 inches high. They are made of lath (the best grade, or tobacco lath), four on each side and five on the bottom, with two nails in each end of everylath, sixpenny nails being used on the bottom and four-penny on the side. The end pieces are sawed from common boards, II inches wide, with a little two-inch strip nailed across each end, on the outside, near the top, for a handle. These boxes are cheap, light and very convenient. When we start out for the field we pile a lot of them onto a low wagon, with an open platform rack and drive at once to the farther end of the field, dropping the boxes off in a line, right next to where we want to dig, as we go. On reaching the end we leave the wagon and hitch on to the digger. The pickers empty their baskets into the boxes all along right where they are. Then, when we are ready, it is a very short and easy job to put them on again, two men loading on 50 or 60 bushels in from 10 to 20 minutes. At the cellar the boxes are very quickly emptied into barrels or bins, and are ready to be filled again. It is a quick and easy way of managing, and, best of all, avoids shoveling and dumping the potatoes around, which is often quite an injury to them. often quite an injury to them.

The actual average cost per acre of our potato crop for the year 1894, all the work being done by machinery as we have indicated, was as follows (a man's or boy's time being reckone by machinery as we have indicated, was as follows (a man's or boy's time being reckoned at \$1 per day, which is about an average of what it costs us, and a team the same): Plowing and fitting the ground, \$2.70; cutting the seed, 63 cents; planting, 51 cents; harrowing, 30 cents; cultivating (from three to six times) \$1.80; hoeing (all put on one acre), 6 cents; sprinkling, to poison the bugs, 26 cents; digging and putting into the cellar, \$3.97, making a total for labor of \$10.22 per acre. To this should be added 85 cents per acre for Paris Green and \$1.50 per acre for repairs and wear on tools, making in all \$12.58, which represents the entire cost with the exception of the seed. This is getting it down to a pretty low figure. It certainly could not be done for that with hand work.

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In conclusion, we wish you all great success for 1895 in every good thing.



World's Fair.

HIS is our BEST variety. After another year's experience, it suits us better than ever. It is winning favor on every side, and our predictions for it are being fulfilled. This is what we said of the potato in 1893, the year we first introduced it: "As the Columbian World's Fair will eclipse any fair ever projected, so we believe this new seedling will take a similar place among the different varieties of potatoes." We said also: "While almost every new potato is chiefly valuable in one or two particulars, World's Fair seems to possess all the requisites of a first-class variety."

In our last year's catalogue, referring to these claims, we said: "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. After another year's experience with it, we must say, it really seems to have no faults as a general

crop variety."

Now we say, in 1895, although this is putting it pretty strong, we do not believe it is any too strong. It is the best potato we ever grew. If you feel at all skeptical about its value read carefully what others say. We have strong testimonials from some of the best known potato growers in the United States. Many who tried it the first year and were well pleased with it, speak still more highly of it

this year.

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 perfect," as Mr. Terry, of Ohio, 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.

We have always classed the World's Fair as a medium early. Some of our friends have reported it as very early. But last year it grew longer and was later in ripening than ever before, with us. It was not so late as Rural New Yorker No. 2, but later that Freeman. So this year we think we should call it medium.

World's Fair made itself conspicuous again last year by its large growth. In this respect it went ahead of Rural No. 2, Delaware, American Wonder and all the big-yielding late varieties in our ordinary field culture. On very rich soil and high

culture World's Fair will respond better than any of these other varieties.

In 1893 in one of our fields of World's Fair, it 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 a glimpse 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. And right here we want to again emphasize the fact that for quality World's Fair cannot be surpassed.

Now we hope that our customers will send in their orders in good season this year. We have a fine, large stock, but there may not be enough. We thought we had a large stock last year, but we sold all out too soon, so that many orders had to

be refused and the money returned.

In addition to those of our own growing we have a fine stock of World's Fair grown for us by J. M. Smith's Sons at Green Bay, Wis. 150 miles north of us. These are very fine indeed. In fact they are about as handsome as any potatoes we ever saw

anywhere.

This stock we will furnish while it lasts at the same price as our own, in full barrel orders, shipped direct from Green Bay. Of course all orders must be sent to us here. We recommend this Green Bay stock as certainly best for all customers living north of us. Others can have it by paying a little more freight. We will send the Green Bay stock from here. in less than barrel lots, at a slight advance over prices of our own growing, to pay us for transportation from there and for repacking.

Prices of World's Fair for 1895.

Our Own Stock—By mail, post paid, 1 lb., 40 cts.; 3 lbs., 90 cts. By express or freight, not prepaid, 1 lb., 30 cts.; half peck, 65 cts.; pk., 90 cts.; bu., \$2.50; bbl. \$6.00.

Green Bay Stock—Shipped from Green Bay, bbl., \$6.00. Shipped from Clinton, less than peck lots, same price as our own stock; peck, \$1.00; bu., \$2.75; bbl., \$6.50.

Second Size—Our own growing, limited stock: pk., 65 cts.; bu. \$1.75; bbl., \$4.50. (See table of Freight Rates from Clinton and from Green Bay, on third page of cover.)

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NOTICE OUR VERY LIBERAL DISCOUNTS—Five per eent on ten dollar orders, and ten per cent on twenty dollar orders. These discounts apply to all our seeds, potatoes, corn and oats.

"Never Was a Better Potato."

Mr. Lorenzo Osborne, a Western New York potato grower, told last year how he grew 322 pounds from one pound of World's Fair. This year he writes us again as follows: "With a very unfavorable season for a good yield of potatoes, with the most disastrous drouth we ever had in Western New York, I again report to you how the World's Fair potato has sustained its last year's reputation. It was planted on a very poor, light, sandy soil, with a light application of phos-

phate at the rate of 400 pounds to the acre, with the best of cultivation. I planted 1½ bushels of seed in rows 32 inches by one foot in the row, the 16th of May. It commenced to rain the next day, and for three weeks it poured almost incessantly. Some of the cut pieces rotted, others came up sparingly. In spite of all set-backs it came out near the head. They are smaller this year on account of the drouth, but are very fine. There never was a better potato baked or boiled, nor better flavored than the World's Fair. Quality is perfect."

"Just as Good a Cropper as Rural No. 2 and of Better Quality."

MR. F. B. VAN ORNAM, of Towa, originator of Burpee's Extra Early, Early Walton, Van Ornam's Earliest, The Great Divide, and others, is probably as good a judge of potatoes as any man in the United States. He toes as any man in the United States. He reported last year on World's Fair a yield of "560 Bushels per Acre, Ordinary Field Culture, without Fertilizer of Any Kind." He spoke of it then as follows: "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." This year he writes: "The World's Fair did not have a fair chance this season, but I like it so well that I saved this season, but I like it so well that I saved all my seed for planting. I like it better than Rural No. 2-j 1st as good a cropper and better quality."

"Near the Front with the Other Great Yielders,"

MR. D. C. HICKS, of Vermont, originator of New Potatoes and Seed Novelties, writes: "It will interest you to learn that I have the present season made a comparative test of the following varieties: Carman No. 1, Illi-nois Queen, Banner, State of M tine, States-man, American Wonder, Rural No. 2, World's man, American womer, Ruffa No. 2, Wolfa S Fair, Snow Flake, Freeman and a new Rose Colored Seedling named Brisfol Beauty. Twenty-five hills of eachwere planted and one two-eye cutting used in each hill. In many ways this trial was a surprise to me. Your World's Fair was a leader of the Snow Flake class, and pushed up towards the front with the other great yielders."

NO ROUGH POTATOES.

"World's Fair, Finer, Larger Potatoes than Freeman."

Last year Mr. J. M. SMITH, of Green Bay, who was one of the largest growers of Freewho was one of the largest growers of free man in the country, wrote, shortly before his death: "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 bill. They ringued about the same time as ageu 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."

This year his sons, who have continued his business, and who grew the World's Fair for us on contract, write as follows:
"Your letter asking about the World's Fair potatoes is at hand. Yes, our opinion of the World's Fair is better than it was one year ago.

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"How does the World's Fair compare with Freeman? In answer let me quote from the record of a test made this past summer, as follows: Freeman-8,860 square feet of a square feet of the square square feet as follows: Freeman—8,860 square feet of ground yielded 2,111 pounds of potatoes. Yield per acre, 172½ bus: World's Fair—8,776 square feet of ground yielded 2,327 pounds of potatoes. Yield per acre, 192½ bus. In some general remarks farther on in the report we find the following: The World's Fair and Freeman were smooth, not having any practically of rough notatoes. The any, practically, of rough potatoes. The

World's Fair were finer, larger potatoes than the Freeman. The test referred to was made for our own information and under as fair and even conditions as our place of fifty acres affords. We think there is promise of a very valuable potato in the World's Fair."

Seed Put Aside for 20 Acres and More Wanted.

A prominent New York Nursery firm, who A prominent New York Mussay Irm, who bought World's Fair seed of us in 1893, wrote us last spring for prices on 40 or 50 bushels of World's Fair, saying: "We have already put aside seed for 2) acres, so you can see we have a good opinion of the potato."

"The Quality is Perfect."

T.B. TERRY, 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 Is 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."

MR. R. J. CORYELL, of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station, writes: "Many thanks for your catalogue. I will send you a bulletin in which you will see that your World's Fair is well up."

'Best Potatoes I Have Ever Seen."

J. B. POWELL, an Ohio Grower of Seed Potatoes: "I have been intending for some time to write to you about the potatoes that I got from you last spring. They are the best potatoes that I have ever seen. This best potatoes that I have ever seen. This has been a very poor year for potatoes, but I got fifteen bushels of the World's Fair from the half bushel of seed that I got of you. I intend to give them a good chance work year? next year.

"Pleased with your World's Fair." "Form is Perfect,"-150 Pounds from One.

M. F. Webster, one of the best known potto growers in Western New York, says: "I am pleased with your World's Fair. The best pound gave 2½ bushels. I will plant more of them next season and give them a better chance to spread. Their form is personant will be the property of the season and give them a better chance to spread. better chance to spread. Their form is perfect and they are a better yielder than Free-

"Cannot be Excelled for Yield or Cooking Qualities."

E. M. BRACY, another New York man: "I ordered last spring two pounds of your World's Fair pot to seed. Am pleased to say they are a splendid potato. They cannot be excelled for yield and cooking qualities.

"A Beauty and No Mistake, and a Wonderful Yielder."

G.C. WATSON, a nirseryman of our own county: "The World's Fair did splendidly for me last year. It's a becuty and no mistake and a wonderful yielder.

Carman No. 1.

HIS new potato, introduced last year, is attracting greater attention through. out the country just now than any other variety. It originated with Mr. E. S. Carman. of the Rural New Yorker, and has been freely and thoroughly advertised in that potato paper during the past year or two. Carman No. 1 is a "seedling from seedlings," say the introducers. "raised through several generations with the object of developing good and suppressing undesirable qualities." Mr. Carman himself says: "It is the finest potato 1 eyer saw."

It is a very large, handsome, white potato, not particularly smooth, but with a skin well netted. Its chief characteristic is its tremendous growing power. The small amount of seed that we were able to get hold of last year we cut to one-eye pieces and planted them just twice as far apart as we did other varieties. Even then the vines grew so large that they covered the ground over, and the yield was very large. In season, Carmau No. 1 is medium late. Owing to its being introduced with only a small stock, the seed is very high and in demand. We will sell what we have to spare at the following prices:

By mail, postpaid, 1 lb., 50 cts.; 3 lbs., \$1.00. By express or freight, not prepaid,

1 lb., 40 cts.; half peck, \$1.50; peck, \$2.75; half bushel, \$5.00; bushel, \$9.00.

The Great Divide.

Burpee's great novelty of 1894. It was introduced with only a small stock, in two-pound lots only. Cash prizes were offered to the amount of \$400.00 for the best yields from pound lots of seed. A customer of ours in New York wrote us some time ago that he had succeeded in growing 670 pounds of the Great Divide from one pound of seed. The originator is Mr. F. B. Van Ornam, of Iowa, who also originated Burpee's Extra Early.

We have grown the Great Divide two years, and describe it as follows: Tubers, long and handsome, with white, netted skin, and very smooth, the eyes being remarkably shallow; vine, very large and strong, with plenty of branches and very thick, dark green foliage; tubers, close in the hill, quite numerous and all good sized, with no

prongy ones; in yield, one of the best; season, medium late.

We are well satisfied with this potato as a successor to Burbanks. The quality is

far superior to that of Burbanks.

Our stock is not large, and we can accept only small orders. Price, by mail, postpaid, 1 lb., 50 cts.; 3 lbs., \$1.00 By express or freight, 1 lb., 40 cts.; half peck, \$2.00; peck, \$3.50.

Early Fortune.

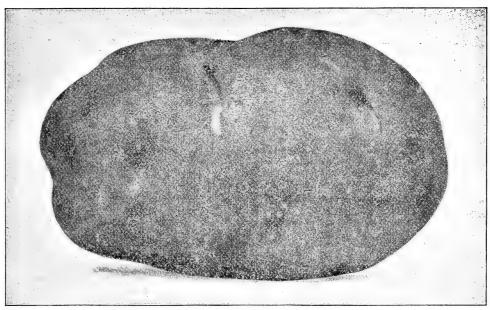
Introduced by F. B. Mills in 1893. Last year Mr. Mills offered a premium for the largest yield from three pounds of seed. The best seven reports, as published in his catalogue for this year, are as follows: 2,040 pounds, 1,531¾ pounds, 1,300 pounds, 1,289¼ pounds, 950 pounds, 929½ pounds and 910 pounds, respectively. These are cerlainly very remarkable yields from three-pound lots of seed. They are more than that. They are almost incredible. We have grown Early Fortune one year only. With us the yield was good, but not remarkable. The potato is very smooth and very handsome and of the best quality. Color, nearly white, with a slight tinge of flesh color. Skin, well netted. About like Hebron in season, we should say. Our stock of this variety also is small.

Price, by mail, 1 lb., 40 cts.; 3 lbs., 90 cts. By express or freight, 1 lb., 30 cts.; half

peck, 75 cts.; peck, \$1.25.

"A Fine Yield of Shapely, Handsome Tubers of Good Size."

J. W. BAKER, Illinois: "Notwithstanding the most unfavorable season we have ever known [exceptone] 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. If not greatly mistaken, yours is one of great merit, and will prove a leader among the novelties."



[From a Photograph.]

Irish Daisy.

RISH DAISY was introduced last year by Maule as "A Fit Companion to the Freeman." He says of it: "I flatter myself that at last I have obtained the greatest of all late potatoes." This is the way he describes it: "The Irish Daisy is a seedling of Empire State, possessing all the strong qualities of its parent; is not quite so large in size, but perfect in form. Shallow eyes, and skin pure, bright straw color; on sandy land shading down to a brilliant white. The Irish Daisy last year put out and grown by trusty growers on gravelly land, heavy soils and sandy loam, along side of all other heavy-yielding late potatoes, has outgielded them in every instance."

In our own experience with Irish Daisy we have found it a sort of ironclad. The vines do not grow especially large. In fact they seemed low and squatty by the side of Delaware and American Wonder. But they were thick and bushy, with broad leaves which shaded and protected the soil around the bills, so that they were not as much affected by dry weather as most other varieties. In form Irish Daisy is not like Empire State but is thicker, some of the tubers being nearly round like Rural New Yorker. In season it was quite late with us, a little later even than Rural New Yorker. We are a little disappointed in its quality; but still the quality is not so bad for such a great cropper.

It will prove a profitable market variety, and with Maule behind it, it is bound to be in great demand and to become very popular. We bought quite a lot of Irish Daisy seed of Mr. Maule last year, although the price was very high. But as it has yielded well we have a good stock to offer, and so have been able to put the price down quite low to our customers.

Price, by mail. 1 lb., 35 cts.; 3 lbs., 85 cts. By freight or express, 1 lb., 25 cts.; half peck, 50 cts.; peck, 75 cts.; bushel, \$2.00; barrel, \$5.00.

"Won My Good Opinion."

W. S. TEATOR, another prominent grower of Seed Potatoes in New York State: "World's Fair has won my good opinion."

Good Keeper.

G. M. Ross, Iowa: "Your World's Fair and Rural New Yorker were splendid in May."

Early Market.

E still think just as much of this variety as ever. In this section it is fast becoming the leading early potato. We have grown it for five 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 him 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 or Early Walton. It is well, however, to have representatives of both types. For, while most years, on good soil, Early Market will yield fine crops, some years it will not do so well. We believe that the Hebron style varieties are *surer* 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.

For prices of Early Market and all our other standard varities, see Price List

Table immediately following the descriptions.]

Early Ohio.

The earliest of all the older early varieties. Also the most popular, and justly so. 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.

Our crop of Ohios last year was very good. In fact, because they were planted on the highest ground and so not much injured by the June frost, they yielded the

best of all our earlies.

In addition to our own stock, we have bought a car-load of Ohios from Northern Minnesota. These are large and very fine, and strictly pure. In ordering please state which you prefer. We would recommend the Minnesota stock for our customers that are north of us, but you can have your choice at the same price as long as they last. The second size quoted is of our own growing.

"Most Uniform in Size."

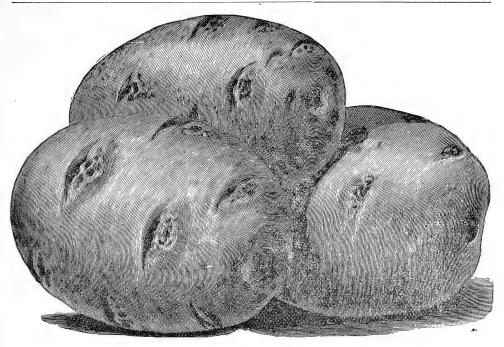
L. V. Webber, Lawn Ridge, Ill.: "The Early Market potatoes that I bought of you last spring were the best and most uniform in size that I ever raised. Cannot do without them.

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

"Stood the Dry Weather."

THEODORE JONES, Junction City, Kans: "The Early Six Weeks Market did better than any other with me this season. They stood the dry weather better than anything else."

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."



Ohio Junior.

T is really remarkable how this variety has grown in favor and popularity. 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 have never been able to see much of any difference in that respect, but have been inclined to regard Six Weeks Market as a little ahead of the others in point of earliness.

Everitt's Six Weeks Market.

Introduced in 1890 by Everitt and Gregory, and already getting to be well known and largely grown. It was in such great demand last year that we had difficulty in saving any seed for ourselves. We have only a very small stock to offer.

Howe's Premium.

Introduced in 1890 by G. D. Howe, of Massachusetts. Very distinct in appearance. It belongs to the Ohio family, but is different from any of the others. Almost round in shape with a light colored, pinkish skin. Its chief value lies in its extreme earliness. Howe's Premium and Stray Beauty are, in fact, the earliest of all our varieties, being earlier than any of the preceding.

"The Early Ohios are Superb."

MR. W. S. TEAFOR, of New York, who grows pedigree seed potatoes largely for some of the eastern seedsmen, and who has a reputation for growing the very finest stock, bought a barrel of seed of us last spring of twelve different varieties. He thus speaks of them: "The barrel of potatoes have ar-

rived. I am well satisfied with them as seed. The Early Ohios are superb. I am sorry I have never grown them as I often have calls for them in my seed trade.

I notice your potatoes are not overgrown monstrosities. I do not like those coarse potatoes and try to avoid raising extra large

ones."

Early Walton.

HIS was our best Hebron style variety last year, even going a little ahead of the Signal. It was first introduced three years ago, but is little known as yet. The originator is Mr. Van Ornam, who gave us Burpee's Extra Early. He regards it as a better yielder than Burpee's, and says of it: "With us it is the heaviest cropping early potato I ever grew."

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 Early

Walton is about perfect.

Burpee's Extra Early.

One of the most popular early potatoes. Introduced by W. Atlee Burpee & Coin 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 four years, and like it every way. We do not think it is quite as early as Early Ohio, but it grows a larger, more spread-

ing top and is 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."

One of our nearest neighbors says Burpee's Extra Early is the best potato for

eating he has ever tried, and he has nearly all our leading varieties.

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.

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.

The Grange Judd Farmer, in its Wisconsin State Fair Notes, 1894, says:

"Wisconsin is a great potato state, and the showing of this crop was unusually gratifying. The exhibit made by L. L. Olds, of Clinton, contained the best specimens of all leading varieties, tastefully and neatly arranged."

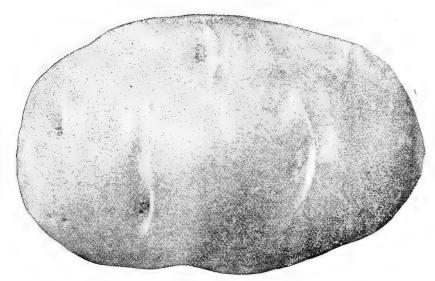
(Our exhibit was awarded five first premiums out of nine offered in all, and two

second premiums).

The Rural New Yorker, in its review of Seed Catalogues, March 3, 1894, speaks of ours as follows: "In this we have a catalogue chiefly given up to seed potatoes, and the list could hardly be better. * * * * * Mr. Olds' prices are very reasonable."

Farm, Field and Fireside, Feb. 17, 1894, says: "L. L. Olds, Clinton, Wisconsin, took first premium on best display of ten varieties of potatoes at the State Horticultural meeting, at Madison, last week. The 'World's Fair' potato introduced and for sale by Mr. Olds took the first premium as the best seedling. It could be hardly otherwise when such judges and growers of potatoes as J. M. Smith and T. B. Terry have such words of praise for this potato."

The Wisconsin Farmer says, in its issue of March 23, 1894: "The Olds' Seed Potatoes are pretty well known all over the country, and they deserve to be. They are always reliable, always satisfactory and always sold at fair prices."



(From a Photograph.)

Signal.

HIS is our favorite early variety. We recommended it both in '93 and '94 as as the best all-around early potato we had. We were conscientious in doing it, but were surprised, after all, at the great demand for it. It seemed to be just the style of potato that people wanted. We started in, both years, with a large stock, but did not have near enough to fill our orders. It will probably be the same way this year. We have to report that it did not do as well with us this last year, although this was on account of the dry weather, the late frost and the bugs.

For the benefit of new customers will say: The Signal is a Wisconsin potato, originated by Thomas Crane of Ft. Atkinson, and first sold in 1891. It is 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 wonderfully strong grower and of excellent quality. Its most striking characteristic is its great vitality and vigor of growth. Our field of Signal in 1892 in blossom was a beautiful sight. It was one mass of white. There were no missing hills. Everything grew and grew large and strong, so that the vines covered the ground.

Eighteen Bushels From One Peck Planted June 16.

LORENZO OSBORNE of New York: "One peck of Signal cut to one eye, planted the 16th of June, gave the yield of 18 bushels, and they are fine."

- T. C. FURNAS of Indiana, in his price list of fruit plants and seed potatoes, says of Signal: "More productive than any other early variety we have tried, and of fine quality."
- J. B. POWELL, Ohio: "I got Howe's Premium and Signal of you last spring, about twelve pounds of each I supposed. I did not weigh them. I dug nine bushels of the Howe's Premium and eight bzshes of the Signal. I will plant about all of them. May sell a few at 50 cents per peck. They yielded the best of any I had planted."

"Outvielded 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, Prizetaker and two other kinds, but Signal and Rural New Yorker excelled all in size and quality. Signal outyielded all other kinds."

"Will Say Almost Any Good Thing For World's Fair,"

J. S. LOVELL, a Western Iowa potato grower, writes, "I will say almost any good thing for World's Fair. People pronounce mine the handsomest potato they ever saw. What prices are you going to make on them? If I were you I would have the value of them. You may be sure they will not get mine for less than \$3.00 per bushel; peck at \$1.00.

Polaris.

ROBABLY the best standard early white potato. Originated in Vermont. It is of long oval shape, creamy white in color, of superior quality, cooking as white as flour. It is hardy, prolific, hand so me, early and a good keeper. It was our best yielder two years ago among the earlies. With the originator it has yielded at the rate of 600 bushels per acre.

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 imm use list of patrons, its distribution was very thorough, so that now, the potato is well known and is advertised in nearly every catalogue. We have grown it many years and value it highly because of its productiveness and fine appearance.

Wisconsin Beauty. (New.)

Another early white potato which we introduced last year. Originated by F. A. Huebner, of Manitowoc, Wis., originator of Cream City, Badger State and others. The potato is well named. It is a beauty, and very prolific. We sold ourselves short last year, and what we did have to plant were almost destroyed by the late frost, so that we have but a few to sell this year, and of second size only.

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 \$3.00 per 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. We expect to sell all our Freeman just because they are Freeman, but we feel confident that World's Fair is the better potato.

Our Stock as Compared with Another Seedsman's.

M. F. Webster, Western New York: "At about the time I received the potatoes from you last spring I also got some from a well known Ohio seedsman, who puts out a very plain catalogue. The contrast in the appearance of the potatoes in the two shipments was so marked that everyone who saw them remarked upon it. I was not very busy when I wrote you before and tried to show you my appreciation of the good stock you furnished me."

MR. F. G. AUSTIN, Effingham, Ill., who has sent us a large order every year for several years, writes as follows: "I had very good success with my potatoes last year, realizing at the rate of \$400 per acre on Thorburn. I had the best potatoes in the country, and a great many people are asking me what kind of potatoes I grow and where I get them. I will probably order for several other parties this spring."

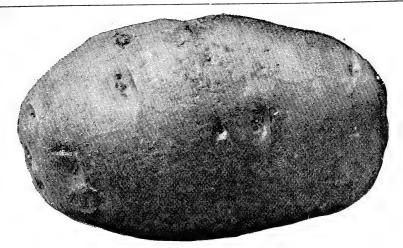
"Elegant Returns."

R. W. MAIN, North Dakota: "I had elegant returns from your seed. Especially the Freeman. Twenty-seven good sized potatoes from one hill, some of them weighing 18 or 20 ounces."

G. M. Ross, Iowa: "The box of pot toes arrived in good order this time. Your promptness in replacing the frozen ones shows that you are a man who deals 'on the square.'"

JOHN CALLIHAN, Ohio: "Received yours of the 3d stating that you would replace the potatoes that were frozen. I did not expect that."

W. W. RYDER, Iowa: "The seed potatoes came to hand all right. Assuredly I shall patronize you in the future if I want anything in your line. You have done more than fair by me."



Pearl of Savoy.

NE of our oldest varieties. 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.

Arizona.

Here is a variety whose value has not been appreciated. "It originated," says the introducer, "in Arizona, from a cross of the Early Rose with the native wild mountain potato." Mr. Heubner says of it: "The best potato in the world" We said last year that we considered it the best one of the rose-colored varieties, and when planting time came we liked it so much better than the others that it was the only one of that family that we planted any amount of.

Arizona is of a little brighter shade than Early Rose. The Pearl of Savoy cut would do very well to represent it, except that it grows larger and longer, and is quite apt to be flattened and square cut at the ends. It grows a very large top, sets a great many tubers in the hill and brings them to a good size, too, so that it fills the baskets, at digging time, at a rate that is very satisfactory. In season it is medium early. Although it is such a remarkable grower and cropper, we have found it of very superior quality, cooking up dry and white and mealy at all times of the year.

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.

James P. Grubb, Ohio: (Mr. Grubb sentus a club order from sixteen different men).

"Potatoes arrived all O. K. They were all well pleased."

David Weir, Vermont: "Seed potatoes arrived to-day in good condition and they look fine."

"Gospel Measure."

J. N. Lambert, Neb.: "I am well pleased with the seed, and as you gave gospel measure I have no reason to kick."

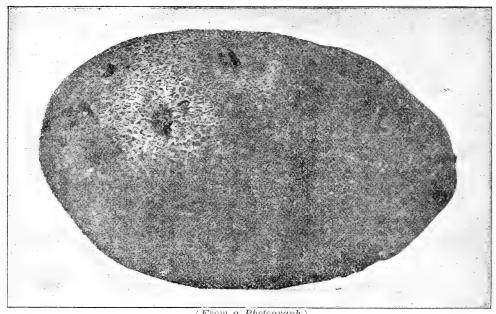
E. E. Brown, Vermont: "Received the potatoes to-day and they are all O. K."

"The Best Seed I Ever Got."

W. B. Porter Jr., Neb.: "I have always bought my potatoes of — (a well known Northern Seedsman) heretofore, but the seed was so mixed I thought I would try a new firm. Your seed, as far as I can see, is the best I ever got and the most uniform in size."

"More Than Pleased,"

L. F. BUTTERFIELD & Son, 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."



(From a Photograph.)

American Wonder.

ONG, white and showy, a strong grower and a great producer. The above photograph, which we had taken especially for our catalogue, represents very well an average tuber of this new late potato. American Wonder was introduced by Jas. Vick's Sons. The name is not a bad one, as it is in more respects than one considerable of a wonder. We feel right here like quoting a letter received ▲ by them last year from one of their customers in Iowa. He says: "I send, you twelve sample tubers of the American Wonder to contest for the prizes offered. subject to the decision of the Granger Judges. Ist.—It will be a wonder if I succeed 2d.—It is a wonder I had any potatoes at all. 3d—The old striped potato bug (or running bug) was on the vines by the thousand and I kept wondering when they would disappear. 4th—Then we had a long period of dry weather which injured the early growth. I kept wondering if twould rain—(it did one day.) 5th—I wondered considerable when I dug seven bushels from the peck purchased from you. 6th-When cooked I did wonder to see the quality unsurpassed. 7th-I have been looking around for years for a potato, prolific, good to eat, and good quality, good size and a good seller. I no longer wonder, for I seem to have found one of the seven wonders of the world in the American Wonder.

There is considerable reason after all, for this man's wondering. We have found it, as he says, "a potato, prolific, good to eat and good quality, good in size and a good We regard American Wonder and Rural New Yorker as the best standard late potatoes in cultivation, and in many respects American Wonder is superior to Rural No. 2. It is of better quality, of better shape, being longer, and will very often yield more, we think. At any rate the vines grow much larger and stronger, that being one of its most striking characteristics. It is not as smooth as Rural No. 2, the eyes being a little deep, which is the only fault the potato has that we have discovered.

All of our potato illustrations, except one or two, are half-tones from photographs. We like this kind because it must necessarily show a thing exactly as it is. If you want some elegant seed of the best variety, order some of our Green Bay World's Fair.

Delaware.

HE Delaware originated in Vermont and was introduced by Gregory. 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.

We were well pleased with the way our Delawares grew and yielded last year. They did nearly as well as American Wonder, and they ripened a little earlier than American Wonder, Rural No. 2 and Irish Daisy, which might be quite an advantage

sometimes.

Maggie Murphy. (New.)

Introduced by Jas. Vick's Sons in 1893. It is a rose colored potato of the Rose Seedling or Belle type. Grows very large, with rather deep eyes, although it is better in this respect than most varieties of the Belle type. We have grown Maggie Murphy two seasons and like it the best of all the varieties we have tried of that style. It is a great drouth resister, a very strong, rank grower, and a tremendous yielder of big potatoes. At the same time we do not want to recommend it too highly for fear it may prove disappointing. According to our experience there is little demand for that kind of a potato.

- E. V. RALEY, Neb., one of our customers whose potatoes were frozen on the road, wrote: "Of course I accept your proposition to duplicate the order, but it hardly looks fair that you stand all the loss."
- T. C. Trego, Ill.: "The potatoes I got from you last season gave very good satisfaction."
- C. G. READMEIER, Ohio: "The potatoes 1 received yesterday were in good condition and am well pleased with them."
- REV. A. M. THOME, an Illinois Congregational minister: "All at hand in apple pie order. Many thanks to you for your kind consideration and generosity."

"The Nicest I Ever Saw."

GEO. LOCKWOOD, Iowa: "I saw some of your potatoes that you shipped here a year ago and think them the nicest I ever saw."

Amos Garretson, Indiana: "My barrel of potatoes came through the severe cold weather O. K , and I am well pleased with them."

GEO. W. SCOTT, Illinois: "I had good success with potatoes bought from you."

W. B. Porter, Nebraska: "I am glad I have such a fair man to deal with as you seem to be in your reply to my letter in regard to frozen potatoes."

"They Are Dandies."

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

"The Finest Looking I Ever Saw."

E. G. STONE, Iowa: "I was at Mr. John Dartings 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."

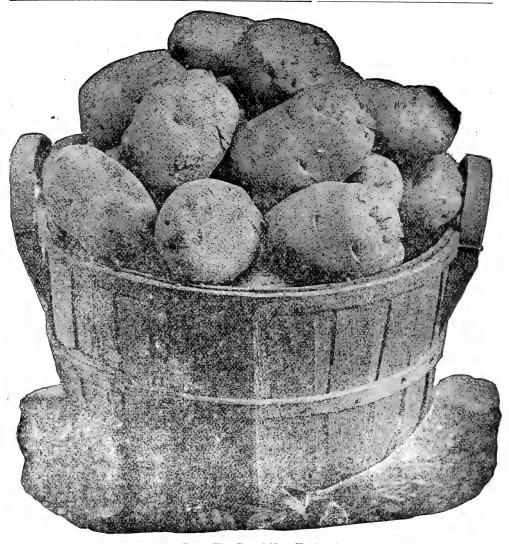
"Your Way of Packing is Excellent"

JOHN P. WYLIE, 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."

"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."
- B. E. Prather, Kan: "Potatoes came all right. Am well pleased both with the potatoes and your way of doing business."
- L. H. READ, Wisconsin: "Potatoes received this P. M. and am well pleased with them."

Lincoln Oats yielded 84 bushels per acre with us last year. They are very fine. Our Potato Exhibit at the Wisconsin State Fair last fall was awarded first premium as the "Best and Largest Show."



(From The Rural New Yorker.) A Bushel'of Rural New Yorker No $\,2\,$ Potatoes Consisting of Just 48 Tubers

Rural New Yorker No. 2.

HE most famous late potato in the United States. 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 good; 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 sea-

son 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.

This last year especially Rural No. 2 has proved itself a variety that can be relied upon when others fail. Many men in this region have told us that their Rural New Yorkers were the only ones that amounted to anything. They will probably stand neglect and unfavorable surroundings better than any variety in cultivation. In spite of dry weather they always do something. We never yet have heard of an entire failure from Rural No. 2. They are especially recommended for clay soils and for land not really adapted to potato growing.

Our stock this year is very large, so that we are able to put prices low.

"150 Pounds From One.-The Finest Potato I Ever Saw"

GEO. GEIER, 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 fine-t 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 and could have found as many of the same size. I planted them about May 1st, and dug 150 pounds Oct. 2."

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

ALBERT GLEASON, Illinois: "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."

- 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."
- H. H. PHILLIPS, 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? time.

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

G. F. Jarvis & Son of Iowa, market gardeners: Were well pleased with the barrel we got of you last year. The Burpee's Extra Early, Signal and Rural New Yorker did finely."

67 Pounds from One. "It Beats the Freeman all Hollow,"

HOOVER & MOORE, Colorado: "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 Freegrower, and much finer looking than Freeman.

"800 Bushels per Acre.—As Fine Eating Potatoes as My Wife Ever Cooked. A Bonanza."

PETER PEARSON, 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 th size of the cuts. Well I cut them very care fully to single eyes and planted them one in a hill, and have dug from same forty seven pounds, 80 per cent being marketable pota-toes. At the rate of yield realized by me with the above mentioned small potatoes. with the above mentioned smar polariost, the yield per acre amo into the rate of eight hundred bushels of as fine eating potatoes as my wife ever cooked. You have bonanza in this potato if you make good use of your opportunity.

L. SPALDING, Wisconsin: "We have had a very dry, hot summer, which has injured our potatoes badly. From the one pound you sent me I raised fifty pounds, ordinary field culture, and I am well pleased with them. They are good sized, few small ones, and healthy grovers. I did not meaning or 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."

R. M. HOUSTON. Boston Station, Ky.: "1 n. 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.'

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

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

Do not ask us to guarantee express charges. We guarantee freight, but not express.

Send your orders to us for the Man-Weight Garden Tools. These tools have a great reputation, and we recommend them to our customers. See cuts and prices on another page.

Additional Varieties.

The following fifty varieties we can furnish only in small quantities. We have the largest stock of those that are named first in each column, especially the first four varieties in the first column. We can furnish those in bushel and barrel lots for a time, at the same price as Early Ohio, in the table. We can also furnish Second Size of most of the varieties at three-fourths the prices given below.

Prices.—By mail, postpaid, 1 lb., 25 ets.; 3 lbs., 60 ets. By express or freight, not prepaid, 1 lb., 15 ets.; half peck, 35 ets.; peck, 50 ets. One medium-sized tuber, not prepaid, of each of the fifty varieties, \$2.00. One tuber each, any ten varieties, 50 cts. One-half peck of each of the fifty varieties, \$11.25. Any ten varieties, half peck of each, \$2.50.

FIRST EARLY.	SECOND EARLY AND MEDIUM.	LATE (WHITE.)	LATE (COLORED.)
Stray Beauty,	Gov. Rusk,	Koshkonong,	Ideal,
June Eating,	Salzer's Early Wisc'sn,	Kings Co. Mammoth,	People's,
Thorburn,	Pootatuek,	Burpee's Superior,	Dakota Red,
Early Rose,	Cream City,	Badger State,	Brownell's Winner,
Early Wisconsin,	Perfect Gem,	Fearnaught,	Juniata,
Early Illinois,	Extra Keeper,	Gov. Foraker,	Rural Blush,
Sunrise,	Summit,	Dandy,	Manitoba Rose,
Salzer's World's Fair,	Harbinger,	Monroe Seedling,	Rose Seedling,
Beauty of Hebron,	Early Albino,	Empire State,	Queen of Valley,
Chas. Downing,	Garfield,	State of Maine,	Beauty of Lands-
Sunlit Star,	Alex. Prolific,	Gen. McClellan,	downe.
Lee's Favorite,	Read's Eighty-Six,	Burbank's Seedling,	Badger State P.
Vick's Extra Early.	White Flour.	American Giant.	Blow.

New Varieties.

The following are all fine varieties, of recent introduction. We do not give them more space because our stock is small. Prices.—By mail, postpaid, 1 lb., 30 cts.; 3 lbs., 75 cts. By express or freight, not prepaid, 1 lb., 20 cts.; half peck, 50 cts.; peck, 75 cts.; half bu., \$1.25; bu., \$2.25. One medium-sized selected tuber, not prepaid, of each of the twelve varieties, \$1.00; half peck of each of the 12, \$4.25.

EARLY NORTHER.—From Jerrard. One of our best yielders last year. VAN ORNAM'S EARLIEST.—Hebron style. A very good extra early variety. EARLY HARVEST.—White. Introduced by Jerrard in '93. A splendid variety. WHITE GEM.—From Early Harvest. Sent out by Jas. Vick's Sons last year.

WHITE LILY.—Medium. Of fine quality. Introduced by Samuel Wilson in '92. COLUMBIAN PEACHBLOW.—Introduced by Iowa Seed Co. in '93.

WILSON'S FIRST CHOICE.—Introduced by Samuel Wilson in '91.

MILL'S PRIZE.—Introduced by F. B. Mills.

WHITE MANHATTAN. TROY SEEDLING. QUEEN OF THE WHITE HOUSE. EARLY PEACHBLOW.

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

Isn't it a good plan to buy of seedsmen who grow their seeds themselves? 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.

Our Second Sized Potatoes are usually spoken for first.

We will pack three varieties in one barrel without extra charge.

PRICE LIST.

VARIETIES.	FIRST SIZE.			SECOND SIZE.		
ARRANGED AS NEARLY AS POSSIBLE IN ABOUT THE ORDER OF RIPENING.	PECK, 15 LBS.	BUSHEL, 60 LBS.	BARREL, 165 LBS.	PECK, 15 LBS.	BUSHEL, 60 LBS.	BARREL, 165 LBS.
Howe's Premium Six Week's Market Ohio Jr Early Market Early Ohio. Early Walton Burpee's Extra Early Signal Vaughan New Queen Polaris Early Puritan Wisconsin Beauty Freeman Pearl of Savoy Arizona. Everitt American Wonder Delaware Rural New Yorker No. 2.	\$ 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5	\$1 70 1 70 1 60 1 60 1 60 1 60 1 60 1 60 1 60 1 6	4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00 4.00	\$ 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 40 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35 35	\$1 20 1 20 1 20 1 20 1 20 1 20 1 20 1 20	3 00 3 00 3 00 3 00 3 00 3 00 3 00 3 00

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Notice that we have arranged the varieties in classes; first the Ohio class, then the Hebron class, then the Puritan class, Snowflake class, Rose class and so on.

Our Second Size Potatoes.

We are very particular about sorting. Last season the potatoes, especially the early varieties, did not grow as large as usual, owing to the dry weather. Consequently there will not be as many large tubers in our First Size stock as usual, which, in our opinion, will be just as well. We shall use the same standard in grading. The difference will be that we shall have more Second Size to sell than usual. Our rule in sorting is to put in nothing for First Size weighing less than $2\frac{1}{2}$ ounces, and nothing for Second Size less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ ounces. The rough and bad-shaped ones we do not put in at all.

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We make no charge for barrels and boxes, nor for packing. All potatoes will be labeled and carefully packed so that they will not get mixed, and delivered at the cars, purchaser paying transportation charges. Sacks will be used instead of barrels

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Please do not send local checks. At the prices we make we cannot afford to pay exchange. Send draft or check on Chicago. New York or Milwaukee, P. O. Money Order, Express Order, Registered Letter or Stamps.



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Learning after the first sixteen pages of our catalogue had been printed that the introducers had decided to make low prices on the Great Divide Potato, we concluded to reduce our prices given on Page 6 to the same as Early Fortune prices. Order early as we have but a few.



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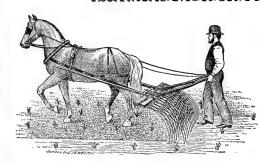
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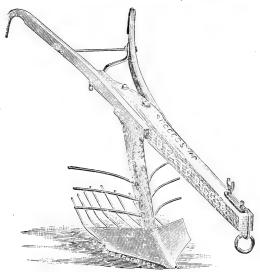
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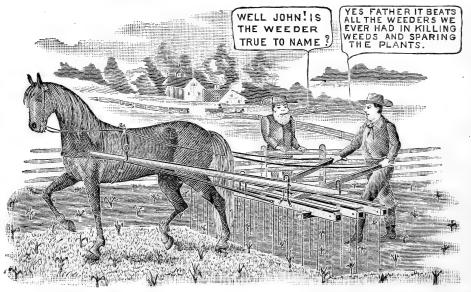
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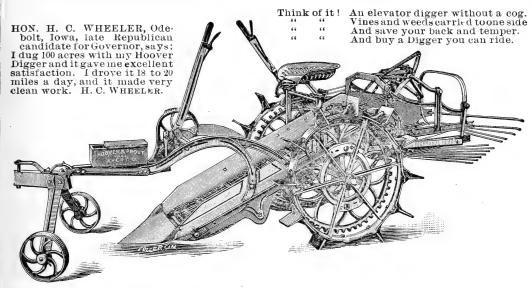
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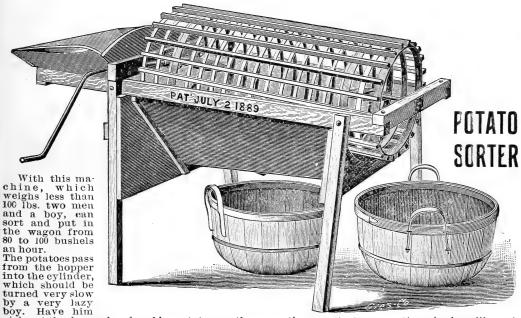
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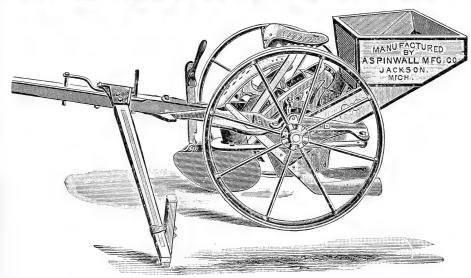
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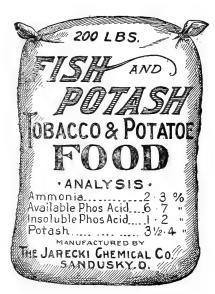
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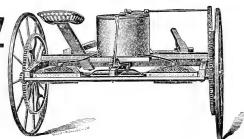
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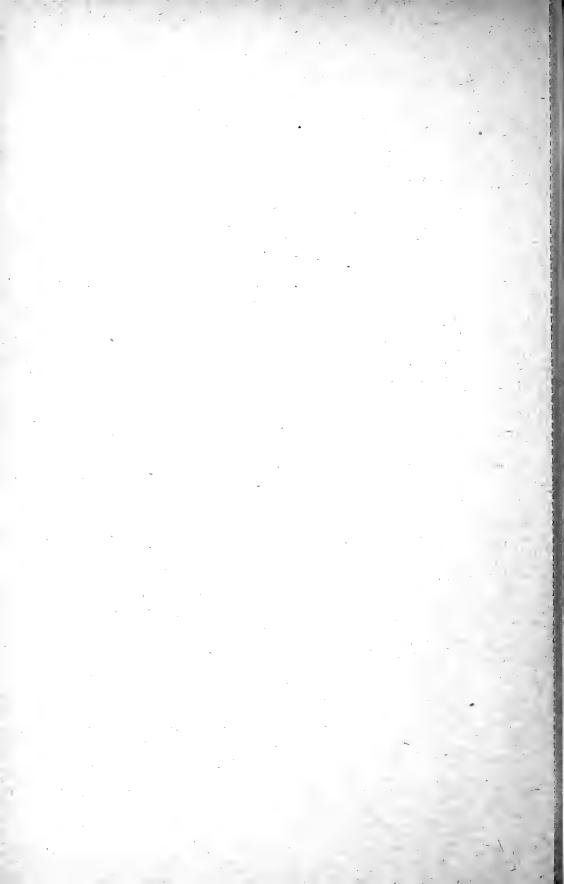
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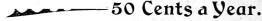
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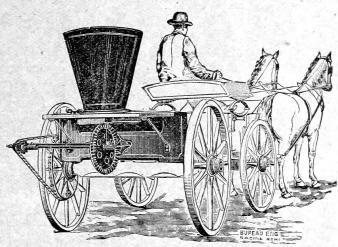
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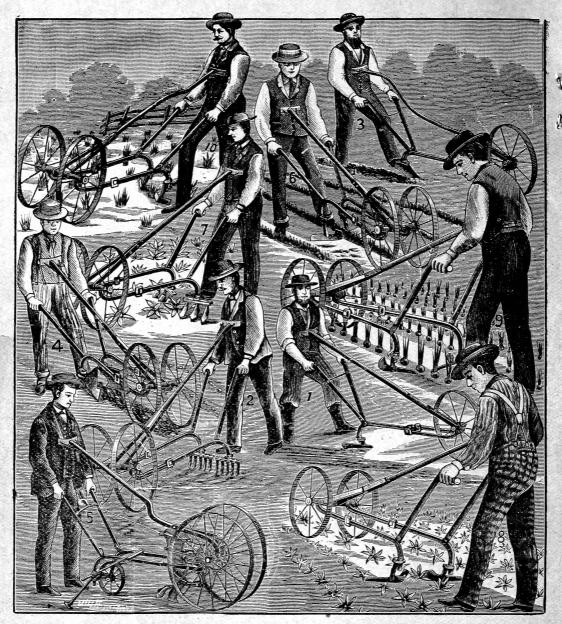
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