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PANSIES, SEEDS, ETC.

O. M. Richardson & Co.,
Canton, Oxford Co., Me.

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WOODBURY'S FAMOUS PANSIES.

Just So.

Remember we are going to try and make every order sent out a standing advertisement.

In every order, extra plants and seeds will be found which we give free as an appreciation of your patronage.

Can you do better than order from us when you consider that we warrant everything here advertised?

Here lies the secret of success: Richardson's seeds given proper cultivation.

Are you going to buy seeds or plants this season? If so select only the best sold, by Richardson.

Read the testimonials in this book and you will see that our goods have been a most pleasant surprise to those who have tried them.

Don't buy cheap seeds, for if your crop fails there is no time to remedy it and your year's work is lost.

Send to us and you will run no risk, for neither pains nor expense have been spared to get only superior goods.

Orders early so that you may be sure of just what you want and take advantage of our offers here shown.

Now is the time to consider what you are going to plant the coming season. Examine these pages carefully.

Some may sell cheaper, but depend on it, it must come out of the goods and you are the loser.

See that we offer nothing which we cannot recommend as first class in every respect.

Entire satisfaction is guaranteed in every case, or we will cheerfully refund your money.

Embellishment is nothing. We prefer to put our money into raising superior seeds and plants rather than into a chromo for a catalogue.

Don't trust to cheap seeds sold at the corner grocery. It is as easy to go to the Post Office after your seeds as to the grocery store. A few days after sending your order to us you will find them all safe in your Post-office box.

Soliciting your patronage for this season and knowing that we are sure of it in the future, we remain yours faithfully,

O. M. RICHARDSON & CO.,
CANTON, MAINE.



Extra Plants.

Thousands of plants have been raised and a large quantity of seeds to give away to our customers and every order of fifty cents and over will contain some of them. We want all of our customers to be pleased and we are noted for our liberality in putting in extras.

Brugmansia.

A rare and beautiful plant bearing pure white flowers often over one foot in length and seven inches in breadth. We will give a good strong plant of this to every one purchasing plants to the amount of one dollar. This offer holds good only while our stock of this plant lasts. Remember this is in addition to all other premiums.

OUR POPULAR ONE DOLLAR COLLECTIONS.

Any one of the collections named below will be sent on receipt of one dollar, securely packed and postpaid.

No. 1.

6 Geraniums 60c., 6 Verbenas 25c., 3 Petunias 30c., 1 Abutilon 10c., 1 Fuchsia 10c. Total \$1.45.

No. 2.

2 Chrysanthemums, 2 Fuchsias, 2 Geraniums, 1 Calceolaria, 2 Achillea, 2 Begonias, 1 Dew Plant. Total \$1.35.

No. 3.

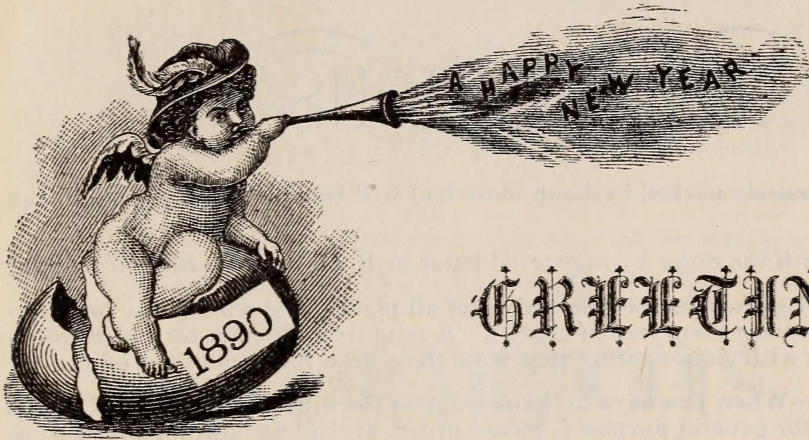
3 Carnations, 3 Geraniums, 3 Begonias, 3 Salvias, 1 Calla, 1 Ivy. Total \$1.50.

No 4.

2 Salvias, 2 Lantanas, 2 Geraniums, 1 Ivy Geranium, 1 Marguerite, 1 Bridal Rose, 2 Variegated Geraniums, 1 Farfugium, 1 Pylogyne Vine, 2 Pansy Geraniums. Total \$1.55.

No. 5.

1 Cobea Scandens, 2 Chrysanthemums, 2 Heliotropes, 2 Carnations, 2 Geraniums, 2 Fuchsias, Wax Plant. Total \$1.30.



GREETING.

Another year has come and gone; again we extend to our friends and customers a cordial greeting. From all parts of the country we hear nothing but praise for our plants wherever they have been tried.

Every year, as progress in civilization advances, more homes are made beautiful by the addition of flowers. What is more pleasing to the eye than a bed of choice geraniums or verbenas? Each flower is a wonder in itself, the mechanism of which no mechanic can imitate, the color of which no artist can reproduce. Yet such may be had for a small outlay of time and money.

For the benefit of the thousands of homes which this little book will reach for the first time, we will say that our plants in vigor and hardiness are unsurpassed in this country; to those who have tried them we deem it unnecessary.

Thanking my customers for their patronage in the past, and hoping for a continuance of the same this season, we will close by wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

O. M. RICHARDSON & CO.

Remember our business is mostly by mail, being situated in a country place where there is little or no local trade; so that those who give us their orders will get nothing but the best, and not the leavings, as is often the case when ordering from city firms where the best plants are picked out by local customers who visit the greenhouse. Our weak point last season was the running short of many varieties, making it necessary to buy of other dealers to supply the demand. It caused some delay in filling orders and the plants were inferior to those of our own growing. Our stock of plants for 1890 is immense, and we hope to fill all orders promptly. Our stock is grown in a cool atmosphere and consequently is hardy. Stock grown in a warm, moist atmosphere is pretty to look at in the greenhouse, but when sold and taken to the window garden and exposed to sudden and severe changes of temperature, they cannot and will not flourish. It is the same with Southern grown plants: becoming accustomed to a warm and genial climate, they cannot withstand the rigors of a Northern home; with stock grown at the North and transported to the South, the reverse must be the case.

We have endeavored in as few words as possible to explain the superior quality of plants grown in cool greenhouses and in a Northern climate, and now all we ask is a trial order from these pages that you may become convinced.

(From the American Garden.)

If half of them die then they will cost double price and still be very weak things. I wonder if one good strong plant is not worth a whole lot of three cent toothpicks. If you want good plants you will get them only by paying a fair price for them.

INSTRUCTIONS.

ALL PLANTS securely packed in damp moss and will go safely to any part of the United States.

TERMS, cash with the order by registered letter or P. O. money order at my risk.

GUARANTEE.—I guarantee the safe arrival of all plants, and should any be damaged or lost I will replace them free of charge. A note from Postmaster or Express Agent must be sent with claim stating that none have been received at the office.

COLLECTIONS.—When you have no knowledge of the different varieties of plants and wish a fine lot for general purposes, please order by collections and you will be better pleased. I have made my collections of the best and finest varieties grown and with the largest range of colors.

EXTRA PLANTS.—When you receive your goods and find more than you have ordered remember that we send with all orders extras as an appreciation of your patronage.

MAIL CLUB RATES.—For a remittance of \$1.00 you can select from catalogue \$1.25; for \$2.00 you can select \$2.50; for \$3.00 you can select \$3.75; for \$4.00 you can select \$5.00; for larger amounts the same proportion. A premium is given to every \$1.00 worth of goods.

EXPRESS CLUB RATES.—For a remittance of \$3.00 to be shipped by express, you may select plants from catalogue prices to amount of \$4.00; for \$4.00 you may select \$5.25 and for \$5.00 you may select \$7.00. A premium is given for every \$1.00 sent by draft, P. O. order, Express order or cash.

TREATMENT OF PLANTS UPON ARRIVAL.—If the plants are in the least wilted upon arrival, place them, with the paper and all packing, in a vessel with water warm enough to be comfortable to the hand and allow them to remain for at least one-half hour.

SOIL.—The soil should be fibrous and composed of rotted sods $\frac{2}{3}$, and well rotted barn manure $\frac{1}{3}$, with a little sand. If sods are not to be had use any good rich garden soil with sand and manure.

POTTING.—Use pots that are not too large or too small, the mass of roots being a good guide to be governed by when potting. Press the soil gently on the sides of the pots; set in a shady place and water well; do not water too often or the soil will become soggy and sour. Plunging the pots in sand or saw dust is very beneficial and keeps the soil moist.



ABUTILONS.

Abutilons should be given a moderately light soil mixed with leaf mold from the woods and old manure. Abutilons have large roots and should be shifted into larger pots as required. They are of easy culture and very satisfactory, giving a profusion of bloom the year round. They are sometimes called Flowering Maples.

Pluton.—A tall growing, stalky variety, with large leaves and flowers of an orange red color, bell shaped and pendant. Price 10 cts. each.

A. Besson.—Foliage light green, leaves cut like a white maple, flowers orange and borne in clusters. Price 10 cts.

Gen. Logan.—Similar to *A. Besson*, but has darker foliage and requires more room to grow it in. Price 15 cts.

Boule De Neige.—Pure white in color, a compact grower and very profuse bloomer. The best white variety in cultivation and profuses its bell shaped flowers through the entire year. Price 10 cts.

A MARVELLUS,

Few flowers give a better return in the shape of lasting and showy bloom for the limited amount of labor involved in their cultivation. A compost consisting of equal parts of good turfy loam, leaf-mould, well decayed manure and sharp sand, answers best for planting. From the time they are started, water should be given very carefully, and not in too great quantities. When the foliage begins to decay, water should be gradually withheld, until it has died quite down, when the bulbs may be stored away (in the pots) in any dry, cool place, safe from frost, until their flowering season comes again. Price 25 cts each.

Achillea, Alba.

No flower is more worthy of a place in every garden in the land than this. It is a hardy perennial, the top dying down to the ground every winter. Its many branches grow to the length of two or three feet, resting on the ground, and holding their great masses of flowers about a foot above the soil. A plant will produce hundreds and even thousands of flowers the first summer; but when established the second year we have had them with more than 5,000 perfect flowers on a plant at the same time. We give 5 reasons why this plant should be cultivated by EVERYBODY.

1st. It is perfectly hardy everywhere, and will thrive in any soil or situation, no matter how poor, and will take care of itself.

2d. It commences to bloom early in July, and is a perfect mass of beautiful flowers till frost.

3d. Its flowers are pure white, perfectly double, and produced in large sprays, making it one of the finest cut flowers for bouquets, vases, baskets, etc., or for any kind of decoration.

4th. For CEMETERY planting it is the most valuable of all flowers, as it is sure to thrive and bear its great profusion of snow-white flowers nearly the whole summer for years and years.

5th. Owing to its great vigor and hardness it can be planted in large quantity in any waste or out-of-the-way place, where it will produce a great abundance of beautiful flowers for cutting.

PRICES, by mail, postpaid, 1 plant to any address for 20 cents; 2 for 30 cents; 4 for 50 cents; 10 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.00. They will all grow rapidly and produce abundance of bloom this summer. They can either be potted or planted as soon as received.

BRUGMANSIA.

(DATURA ARBORIA OR GIANT GHOST FLOWER.)

This interesting and wonderful plant, although not new, is very uncommonly met with. It has always been scarce and very rare. It is a woody shrub, growing about the size of an oleander, and having leaves from six to seven inches in length and about two and one-half inches in width, somewhat resembling mullein leaves, though less downy. The most wonderful feature of the plant is its flowers, which are

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

The first light snow was falling fast;
My heart was filled with pain and grief;
I mourned o'er faith and friendship dead,
O'er faded flower and withered leaf.

Restless. I paced the garden wide,
Then felt of joy a sudden thrill—
For at my side, like veiled bride,
One snow-white flower was blooming still.

I raised the storm-bowed bended head;
Elastic sprung the slender form.

No rose of June on sunny bed
Outshone this blossom of the storm.

Teach me, I cried, thy cheerful faith.
Brave, patient flower who dares to bloom
On Winter's icy verge, and saith,
Give doubt no place, and fear no room.

I still will trust—"You may, you must"—
I heard, with joy and wonder dumb.
My parted love was faithful proved;
Thine augury true—Chrysanthemum.

—H. H.

Those who have never seen these grand new sorts in bloom can form no idea of their great beauty. For blooming in October and November no plant can compare with them. For both out-door and in-door cultivation they are ahead of all other flowers.



HOW TO GROW CHRYSANTHEMUMS.—Plants can be planted as early as the first of April, but any time to the middle of May will be soon enough. Set them about 2½ to 3 feet apart each way. This can easily be done where a border can be devoted to them alone. When grown in a mixed border, where there are other plants, a space of 2 feet should be allowed for each Chrysanthemum; the soil must be made rich with manure, and kept clean. About the first week in

June each plant should have the center of the shoot pinched out. A strong stick should at the time be placed by the side of each plant, to which it should be loosely tied. In a few weeks there will be grown from 4 to 6 more shoots, 4 to 5 inches long. These must again be stopped, and this operation continued until the first of August, after which time let every shoot grow and do not stop any more. Keep the plant tied so as to prevent being broken by the wind. By the first week in September many buds will be formed, and if very large flowers are desired, one-third or more of the buds should be taken off. Some weak liquid manure can be given, and about the first of October, if plants are required for in-door decoration, they can be easily dug up, potted into different size pots, according to the plants, and set in the shade for a few days. They must be well watered, after which they should be placed in the sun until there is danger of frost, when they should be moved into a cool room or green-house, but not be subjected to fire-heat more than to keep out frost.

We have made Chrysanthemums a specialty, and the following list contains the very finest varieties only. After blooming they should be placed in a cellar or pit until spring.

Rubra Striata.—Ground color, creamy, lined with rose-salmon on outside of petals; flowers six inches across, magnificent. Price 10 cts.

President Arthur.—Flowers 7 inches across, formed of long needle like quills which open in whorls. Color rose with white center. Price 10 cts.

Incomparable.—A splendid mottled or variegated variety; rich chrome yellow and coppery red. Price 10 cts.

Blanche Nieve.—Immense sized flowers, petals tubular and of the purest snow white. An extra variety. Price 10 cts.

Sunrise.—Yellow, outside petals slightly tinged with crimson. Price 10 cts.

Contrast.—Rich dark crimson petals, with orange-yellow centre, petals quilled and in whorls. 15 cts.

COBEA Scandens.

Handsome, free-flowering, climbing plants, growing rapidly, with large bell shaped flowers. They are among our best Summer climbers, and are excellent for training in the green-house and conservatory, especially the variegated-leaved variety, the leaves of which are beautifully marked with creamy white. 20c. each.

Calla.

CALLA ETHIOPICA (Lily of the Nile).—An old, favorite plant which should be

found in every collection. It grows freely and requires an abundance of water, and produces large, pure white blossoms during the winter and spring. The resting period during June and July can be given by turning the pots on their sides, without watering, in a shady place. Price from 10 to 30 cts.

Calceolaria.

Another exceedingly showy house plant, which when in bloom, is, indeed a rare beauty, having hundreds of showy pocket-like flowers of various colors. Give plenty of water and partial shade. Gold spotted with crimson. Price 10c. each.

Dew Plant.

A good plant for hanging baskets. Leaves light green and sparkling as though covered with dew. Bright pink blossoms. Price 5c. *White foliaged*. Price 10c.

Fuchsias.

These, with their glossy foliage and delicate bell-shaped flowers, form one of the most attractive of plants. Bedded in the garden, they should be placed so as to be shaded most of the day; they delight in moisture and a rich soil.

PHENOMENAL.

The largest Fuchsia yet produced. Flowers twice the size of any other Fuchsia in cultivation. We had an oil painting made, natural size, of a flower grown in our greenhouse the past season. It is actually measured three and one-half inches across. This variety is a tall, strong growing sort and a most wonderful plant. Corolla purple, sepals carmine red. Price only 15 cts.

STORM KING.

(Frau Emma Topfer)

This sort is known and cultivated everywhere and is as good as ever. It may be described as follows: This beautiful novelty is a decided acquisition, and deserves a place in every garden. Our stock is genuine, and we give the description of the introducer: "This grand plant is of the most beautiful weeping habit. The branches, drooping as they do, lend the plant a charming grace which is rarely found. Branches numerous, leaves small and numerous, and of the most beautiful glowing healthy green; the buds, for two weeks before they expand, are balls of glowing scarlet crimson. The sepals are of the same glowing scarlet crimson as the buds, while the large double corolla is of delicate waxy whiteness, elegantly penciled with deep bright crimson. Its flowering qualities are most remarkable, for it is never out of bloom when in a healthy condition. To keep a plant blooming all the time, many of the buds must at times be removed, or the plant will bloom itself to death." We shall have about 1,000 strong



plants warranted genuine, which we shall offer at the low price of 10 cts. each.

Mrs. E. G. Hill.—This magnificent variety was raised and introduced by Mon. Victor Lemoine, of France, and is undeniably the most perfect and beautiful double white Fuchsia ever raised. The short tube and sepals are a bright, rich reddish crimson color; corolla, extra large, full and double; flower of the largest size. In all, save color, it is like Phenomenal, and it would not surprise us if some enterprising Yankee should name it White Phenominal. It is of the most robust, upright growth, not coarse,

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of enormous size, being over one foot in length and seven or eight inches in breadth, bell shaped and of a pure white color, drooping like fuchsias, sweet scented and borne in profusion. A lady living in Massachusetts had a plant of this kind which bore seventeen perfect flowers at one time. A florist while riding by the house one day noticed this plant in the window. He called and bought it of the lady, paying her fifteen dollars for it. It requires plenty of moisture and sunshine and blossoms every month from April until October. Price only 20 cts. each.

BEGONIAS.

Begonias require a sandy soil intermixed with old well rotted cow manure and leaf mold, and given a more or less shady position.

REX VARIETIES.

The most ornamental of window plants when well grown. Give them a soil composed of rich loam, woods earth and sharp sand. They require a warm, moist atmosphere, and a shady situation; suitable for wardian cases. They are universally admired for their grand leaves, which are elegant in form, rich in coloring, and of the deepest velvety texture. Do not allow the sun to strike the leaves while wet, and do not over-water. 15 cts.

FLOWERING VARIETIES.

Hybrida Multiflora.—Leaves exactly the size and shape of the briar roses. Habit upright, branches rising singly from the root. Flowers rosy pink. 10 cts.

Metallica.—Dark, rough leaves; the surface a lustrous bronze green; veins depressed and dark red. A free bloomer. The unopened buds are bright red, with surface like plush. When open the flower is waxy white. 10 cts.

Weltoniensis.—This is the most widely known of the species; heavy velvety shadings of black appear on the maple-like leaves, every branch bearing its delicate bunch of rosy pink bloom. 10 cts.

Bronze Weltoniensis.—Similar to the above only bronze flowered. 15 cts.

Rubra.—If you only have one Begonia, let it be a Rubra, for it will be a constant delight. It is so fast-growing that it will in a year or two reach the top of your window, sending up heavy, stiff canes, an inch in diameter, and rising beside them will grow strong, slender branches, gracefully drooping under heavy waxen leaves and pendant panicles of coral-colored flowers as large as a hand. We have seen a medium-sized plant with more than twenty such panicles at a time. Among the individual flowers you will find three distinct forms growing side by side. One of the most wonderful plants within our knowledge. Price 10 cts.

Silver Fleece.—Smooth silvery leaf, with high luster and narrow dark edge; a free growing variety. Blossom pure white. 10 cts.

Goury.—A smooth, small-leaved, erect variety; flowers pale pink. 10 cts.

Carnations.

They thrive in a cool atmosphere—about 50° at night; warm sunshine during the day is beneficial. Sprinkle the foliage frequently but do not give too much moisture at the root; allow the soil to become dry, then water thoroughly. Enrich a good garden soil with well-rotted cow manure or bone dust, and keep the plants tied up to stakes.

Ida May.—A new variety which we recommend to all as one of the finest in cultivation; color, rich creamy, marbled and splashed with carmine; prolific in bloom, and the strongest on our list. Price 25 cts.

Pride of Peshurst.—We consider this variety the choicest novelty in Carnations sent out in years. The flowers are large, full and double, and are pure, rich golden-yellow, without stripes of any kind. A strong grower and free bloomer, and decidedly the best yellow yet introduced. Price 50 cts.

Anna Webb.—One of the very best dark reds ever introduced. Price 15 cts.

Buttercup.—Of a deep rich yellow, like Marechal Neil, with a few streaks of clear carmine, a very near approach to a pure yellow. Price 15 cts.

Chester Pride.—One of the most desirable Carnations for winter flowering; pure white, striped and penciled with rosy-carmine. Price 10 cts.

The Century.—It is of remarkably strong, healthy growth; medium height; early and constant blooming; of a rich, glowing carmine color; does not burst the calyx; is full and double and has a remarkably rich clove fragrance. Price 15 cts.

Hinzey's White.—One of the finest white Carnations in cultivation; flowers very large and of perfect shape; color white with a delicate tint of pink; rich clove fragrance. A continuous bloomer. Has no superior as yet, taking all its good qualities together, but not an absolute white on first opening. Color beautiful. 10 cts.

Grace Wilder.—One of the most beautiful colors among Carnations, a soft shade of carmine pink. A dwarf, but robust grower. Very desirable. Cultivated by thousands around Boston; 10 cts.

Silver Spray.—Raised by Simmons, and a variety of great worth. Strong, robust, but very dwarf in habit, rarely exceeding fifteen inches in height, but of bushy, compact growth. Unusually free blooming; flowers produced on long stems, very large and perfectly formed. Never bursting, pure white in color, and beautifully fringed. Price 10 cts.

but compact and very symmetrical. It has every qualification to recommend it, both size, freedom of bloom and good constitution. Must and will win its way into favor everywhere. 15 cts.

Cleopatra.—Very large and double corolla of an azure blue color, passing to dark violet. Extra fine. 10 cts

Elm City.—Sepals rich crimson in color, enclosing the violet purple corolla, forming globular balls. One of the very best. 10 cts.

Lustre.—A very beautiful single variety; corolla rose pink, tube and sepals white. 10 cts.

Venus Vitrex.—Single, corolla dark purple, tube and sepals white. 10 cts.

Farfugium.

A first-class ornamental plant for pots, well adapted for house culture. The leaves are thick and leathery, dark green, with yellow spots; an excellent plant for center of hanging basket. 10 cents.

Featherfew.

A beautiful plant having deep cut dark green foliage, and bearing a profusion of double, pure white blossoms. 10 cts.

GERANIUMS.

DOUBLE VARIETIES.

These beautiful plants are too well known and admired to need comment. We have a large stock of vigorous plants. None but first class varieties are here offered

Bruant.—Color, light vermilion; trusses large and carried well above the foliage. 10 cts.

Baron Duranteau.—A magnificent dark crimson variety, with purplish tinge. 10 cts.

Evangeline.—Color white, slightly tinged with pink in warm weather. A first class white variety. 15 cts.

Guillion Mangelli.—Rich crimson; trusses as large as coffee cups, the largest of any variety in cultivation. 10 cts.

Gilded Gold.—Rich dark orange, the nearest approach to yellow. 15 cts.

M. A. Hunt.—Orange salmon, with capucine and bronzy shades. Very showy. 10 cts.

Mary Hill.—One of the newer sorts; color, bright rosy pink, with large white center; flowers immense size; trusses medium. 15 cts.

Queen of the Fairies.—A bi-color variety of the most perfect shape, rich flesh color, mottled with pearly white. 10 cts.

Maiden's Blush.—White, finely flaked with rose, beautifully fresh and delicate. 10 cts.

Satisfaction.—A grand variety of splendid habit of growth; flowers very large; color carmine shaded crimson; it differs from any other variety in its soft and finely toned coloring. 10 cts.

Negress.—The most double and the darkest geranium we know. 10 cts.

Emily Lemoine.—A very double pink and beautiful sort. 10 cts.

Golden Dawn.—The color as the name would indicate is of a decided golden orange shade; the flowers are of fine large size and perfect shape. The habit of the plant is all that could be desired. 10 cts.

Bac-ninh.—Immense spherical trusses of large, perfect formed florets; centre beautiful salmon, petals bordered with lively red. A very distinct and fine variety. Plant of short-jointed and very free blooming habit. 15 cts.

White Swan.—A new variety of a dwarf bushy habit, bearing in great profusion large trusses of large double snow white flowers, which are exceedingly perfect and beautiful. It is without doubt the finest double white sort in existence. 15 cts.

SINGLE VARIETIES.

Mary Hallock Foote.—Immense trusses of light salmon; individual flowers very large and of the most perfect shape. The most beautiful single geranium within our knowledge. 10 cts.

Gen. Grant.—A superb bedding variety; trusses large; color, bright scarlet. 10 cts.

King of Scarlets.—Flowers dazzling scarlet. A fine single variety. 10 cts.

Anna Scott.—Very rich, deep crimson, finely shaped flowers shaded with maroon; trusses of good size and very freely produced. 10 cts.

Favorite.—Delicate pink. A charming shade. 10 cts.

Princess Maude.—A rare variety, with large flowers of perfect outline, rich scarlet, with large, white eye. 10 cts.

WILSON'S MILLS, July 19, 1888.

Mr. O. M. Richardson, Dear Sir:—I received my plants to-day and am more than pleased with them. They were just as fresh as though just taken up, with scarcely a leaf jammed. I don't see how you can afford to give so much for the money. Many thanks for the extras. When I want more plants I shall send to you.

Yours truly,

MRS. JOHN OLSON.

Geraniums (continued).

Perle—Trusses large and of very perfect form; pure snowy white, purer in color than the variety "Queen of the Belgians," and of still freer blooming habit. 15 cts.

Sunshine.—A seedling raised by ourselves. A very vigorous grower with large trusses of beautiful perfect flowers. Color, rich salmon pink shaded to white at the edge, and white eye. 10 cts.

Mrs. Crawford.—A seedling. When well grown the foliage is immense, of a bright green, with a zone so broad and dark as to give it almost a black appearance. Blossoms of a rich scarlet with white eye. Medium size truss and flower. A distinct variety and very beautiful. 15 cts.

VARIEGATED GERANIUMS.

Prince Bismark.—Foliage yellowish green, with narrow zone of deep chocolate; flowers salmon-tipped white; a splendid variety. 15 cts.

Happy Thought.—Instead of the usual outer belt or margin, in this instance the color forms a large conspicuous cream yellow blotch in the centre or disc of the leaf. The flower is a rich magenta rose, tinted with scarlet. 8 cts.

Madame Salleron.—Leaves from one to two inches in diameter, the center of each is of deep olive green, with broad margins of pure white; growing in dense round masses. It is not effected in the slightest degree by exposure to the direct sunlight. 10 cts.

Mountain of Snow.—Green leaves with pure white margin, flowers scarlet. 8 cts.

Corinne.—Double, clear scarlet flower; leaf yellowish green with light chocolate zone. 15 cts.

SWEET SCENTED.

Fern Leaved.—Leaves finely cut, giving the plant a fern-like appearance. 10 cts.

Quercifolium, or Oak Leaf.—Center of leaf black with light green margin. 10 cts.

Pennyroyal, Plush Leaved.—Leaves large, light green with darker veins, and covered with hairs like plush. Very beautiful. 10 cts.

Rose.—The most fragrant of all; deeply lobed leaves. 10 cts.

Lemon.—Foliage lighter green, but much resembling Rose. 10 cts.

Variogated.—Green and white, spicy fragrance, very beautiful. 10 cts.

Heliotrope.

These plants are universal favorites on account of their delightful fragrance. They delight in abundance of water. 10 cts. each.

White Lady.—The flower is extra large, of the purest white.

Albert Delaux.—A French variety of great beauty. Foliage is a bright golden yellow, very pronounced, and marked slightly with a delicate green. In bloom it is exquisitely beautiful, the deep lavender color of the flower contrasting admirably with the ever varying foliage; very free flowering; trusses large.

Sapphire.—A beautiful light lavender in color; producing immense quantities of very fine trusses of bloom. This is the very finest Heliotrope in its particular line of color, and we recommend it for bedding.

Wax Plant (Hoya Carnosa).

Has thick, fleshy leaves, growing moderately fast, and bearing umbels of beautiful flesh colored flowers, from which are exuded large drops of honey-like liquid. One of the best plants for house culture, as it stands the extremes of heat and cold better than most plants, and is not easily injured by neglect. It can be trained to climb on trellis work to almost any height, and when in bloom, which continues for upwards of five months, is a most interesting plant. 10 cts.

Hydrangea.

The Hydrangea is probably the finest hardy flowering shrub in cultivation, with very large, dense flower-heads, 6 to 12 inches in length. These panicles of bloom remain from August to October.

Thos. Hogg.—Immense trusses of flowers, at first tinged with green, then turning pure white and remaining so a long time. 15 cts. each.

Ivy.

German.—A vine of rapid growth, beautiful dark green glossy foliage, excellent for covering walls, arbors, etc. 10 cts.

English.—The well known European variety. 10 cts.

Variogata.—Foliage marked white. 15 cts.

Ivy Geraniums.

Count Horace du Choiseul.—Flowers of grand size, petals imbricated; pale blush, bordered with salmon. Very free flowering. First class. 15 cts.

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Lantanas.

One of the best Summer-flowering tribe of plants for our climate; equally fine in dry or wet weather, sun or shade. There are few bedding plants that bloom more continuously or afford a greater variety of color than the Lantana. When grown with a single stem and trained as standards, with fine bushy tops and straight stem, besides being in bloom all Summer, they present on the lawn or piazza an effect that is not surpassed by any other plant.

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The flowers of this climber are feathery white, with the fragrance of the Mignonette, grows fifty feet high or more in one season. 5 cts.

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As a rich plant this has no rival. All the improved varieties bloom from May till October, very profusely. They can be kept over winter in any kind of cellar or pit in which it does not freeze. They love plenty of water and rich ground well manured. If the plants grow too high, plant them out in open ground and cut down two or three feet, and hundreds of young shoots will come up, forming nice bushy plants.

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M. Issanchon.—Creamy-white flowers, evenly variegated with scarlet; plant dwarf and free flowering. The best variegated sort we have seen.

Smilax.

A popular and well known climber, with foliage of a dark glossy green; used largely with cut flowers, particularly wreaths; an excellent plant for parlor or window culture. 20 cts.

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These are among the most beautiful of all our Summer blooming greenhouse plants. The rosette of velvety green leaves is surmounted with a cluster of lovely trumpet shaped flowers. The coloring is exquisite; the groundwork of many is pure white, with throats of blue, scarlet rose, or crimson; or the tubes are of bright color, with white throat. The bulbs should be started in a warm place—greenhouse, hot-bed, or sunny window. They will bloom until late in Summer, when they should be dried off, letting the leaves die; the pots can be kept over winter in a cellar free from frost, or under the stage of a greenhouse. Strong bulbs 25 cents each.



Verbenas.

The Verbena is the most satisfactory of all bedding plants and is grown in popularity yearly. They also make fine blooming plants for the window. In growing them be careful and have no leaf mold in the soil, but give them a good rich loam and plenty of sunshine. We offer Henderson's mammoth strain in variety at 5c. each, 50c. per dozen.

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Choice Flower Seeds

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Alyssum.

The sweet Alyssum has small white flowers, and is very much used in making bouquets, and with very good effect, also makes pretty borders. Hardy annual six inches high. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Balsam.

Balsam is a very popular annual, with good care and a rich soil plants and flowers of great beauty are produced. The Balsam can be pruned to any form desired and well repays the extra care. Mixed, per pkt. 10 cts.

Annual Chrysanthemum, Golden Feather.

The beautiful, large, daisy-like flowers are 2-1/2 to 3 inches across; the dark, velvety disk in the centre is surrounded by a circle of bright golden yellow, followed by another clear-cut circle of rich crimson, as clearly defined from the outer white as if painted. The most distinguishing feature is, that it has beautiful golden foliage. Per pkt. 10 cts.

Cineraria.

Maritima. (Dusty Miller).—Very ornamental for bedding and as a decorative plant. Of dwarf, compact habit, with handsome silvery-white foliage. This can be grown very easily from seed: it is one of the most attractive of border plants, and is universally admired. Per pkt. 5 cts.

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The African varieties are larger flowers than the French. African double mixed, per pkt. 5 cts.

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Petunia.

For years the Petunia has been one of the leading window and garden flowers, and few can be more generally satisfactory. Always full of bloom, it is ever an object of great beauty. The double and large single sorts are usually selected for window culture, and bloom freely at all times of the year. For bedding out in summer they are equally valuable. A bed of Petunias is a mass of gay colors from early spring to late fall. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Double Poppy.

This grand old flower is fast gaining the universal popularity which it justly merits. Having for years been crowded out of our gardens by the swarm of new comers, and forgotten, it has nevertheless kept pace with the march of improvement and now comes around and surprises us with its new forms, new sizes, new colors, and the dear old flower, which our grandmothers loved so much, again occupies one of the first places in our gardens, and we are proud of it and well we may be, for through June and July it stands without an equal, the showiest of all annuals. Seed should be sown in the open ground as early as possible. Price per pkt. 5 cts.

Pansy.

This attractive plant is too well known to require any description, as it is a favorite with all; if grown in beds, ribbons, or massing, they are very effective. The best plants are obtained from seed sown in the autumn, and protected during the winter; these flower early in the spring. The plants from spring sowing should be planted in a shady border; they produce fine large flowers in the autumn. Pansies require fresh soil, enriched with decomposed manure; hardy perennials; six inches. Good mixed, per pkt., 5 cts.

Portulaca.

One of the finest hardy annual plants, of easy culture, thriving best in a rather rich, light loam, or sandy soil, and luxuriating in an exposed sunny situation. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Phlox Drummondii.

For brilliancy of color, the Phlox Drummondii is excelled by no other annual or perennial, the colors range from pure white to deep crimson. Seeds may be sown in the open ground or in a hot-bed; the plants should be set about one foot apart. All varieties mixed, per pkt. 10 cts.

Sweet William.

The best varieties of Sweet William are of very beautiful colors, very large, and almost perfect in form. The plants are perfectly hardy, and may be increased by division of roots. Double, per pkt. 5c.

Sweet Peas.

Most lovely and beautiful, fragrant and free-flowering climbing plants. Cut blooms placed in vases of water last many days, emitting a most delicious perfume, approached by no other flower. The distinct colors are very beautiful. They form admirable screens for protecting more tender plants and hiding unsightly objects. Plant them early, make a trench six inches deep, spread manure in bottom and cover with dirt, making the trench five inches deep in which to plant the seed, support with brush or a trellis when one foot high. The oftener the flowers are cut the more you will have. Don't fail to plant some this year. No flower garden is complete without them. Mixed, per pkt. 5 cts.

Ten Weeks Stocks.

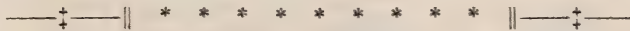
The Stock is, without doubt, the most popular German flower. With its great variety of fine colors and large spikes of beautiful double flowers, suitable either for garden or pot culture, it is certainly one of the most desirable of all flowers. We recommend starting seed under glass and transplanting to the garden about the first of June. For pot culture a four or five inch pot is suitable for one plant. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Verbena.

This is a well known and universal favorite for both pot and open ground culture. A good bed of Verbenas is usually the most attractive spot in the garden. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Zinnia.

Double Zinnias are quite an acquisition to our list of garden favorites; of branching habit and splendid brilliant colored double flowers, rivaling the Dahlia in beauty and form. The seed can be sown early in the hot-bed and transplanted, or sown later in the open ground; half-hardy annuals; two feet. Per pkt. 5 cts.



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Beets.

Edmand's Blood Turnip.—Of handsome, round shape, the skin is very deep blood-red in color, the flesh also very dark, and exceedingly sweet and tender in quality. The beets grow regularly, of good marketable size, not growing over-large and coarse, as do many sorts of the turnip beet when they have plenty of room. This characteristic, together with the fact that the top grows very small, and having but a single tap root, allows their being grown very close together. They mature early, and have given the very best satisfaction as a bunch beet in the markets of Boston. They grow slowly but of ex-

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Eclipse.—Our strain is very true; much seed offered is badly mixed. This is without doubt the best variety of the early sorts, and as its excellence becomes known it is rapidly coming into favor. It is very early, maturing next to the Egyptian. The bulbs are of a bright scarlet color, very smooth. Globular in shape; quality is excellent and much better than the Egyptian. Highly esteemed by market gardeners. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Lane's Improved Sugar.—One of the very best and most nutritious varieties for feeding cattle. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Cabbage.

Fotler's Improved Brunswick.—The earliest of the large heading drum-heads, in great favor with market-gardeners in all sections; used generally as a second early crop; also one of the best for a late crop, producing very solid heads, weighing from 20 to 30 pounds each. Per pkt., 5 cts.

All Seasons.—A new variety that is becoming quite popular. The heads are of large size, round, flattened at the top, and are ready to market nearly as early as Early Summer, while they are hard and solid, and keep well for winter cabbage. Per pkt., 10 cts.; oz. 40 cts.

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Early Jersey Wakefield.—The standard early variety in New York market, of large size, fine quality, and sure to head. Per pkt., 5 cts.

Carrots.

Burpee's Improved Long Orange.—This is a decided improvement over the ordinary Long Orange. The roots grow remarkably uniform and smooth, being always well formed, and of larger size and deeper orange color. The length of the root is about six times its diameter, and though it penetrates the soil deeply, it also grows about one-quarter of its entire length. Highly nutritious. Per pkt., 5 cts.

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Dwarf Golden Heart.—A very popular and distinct variety. In habit of growth it resembles the Half Dwarf White sorts, except that when blanched the heart, which is large and full, is of a waxy golden yellow. It is a most striking and showy variety. It is entirely solid, of most excellent flavor, and keeps well. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Cucumber.

Early Green Prolific, or Boston Pickling.—Under the former name best known, this cucumber is, by Massachusetts gardeners, called Boston Pickling. It is sufficient praise to say that it is equal to the Arlington or Peerless White Spine, for pickling, and that it is immensely productive. Per pkt. 5 cts.

Early Green Cluster.—A short, prickly, seedy variety, bearing in clusters near the root; color pale green. It is a great bearer and matures early. Per pkt. 5 cts.

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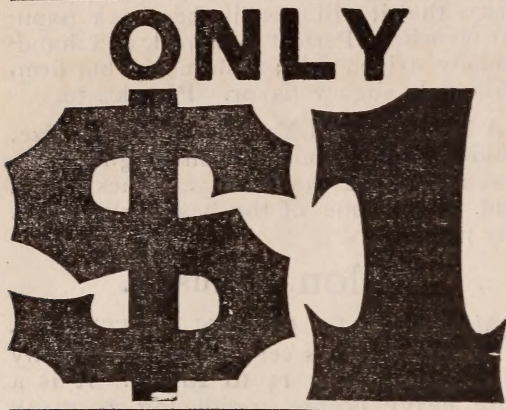
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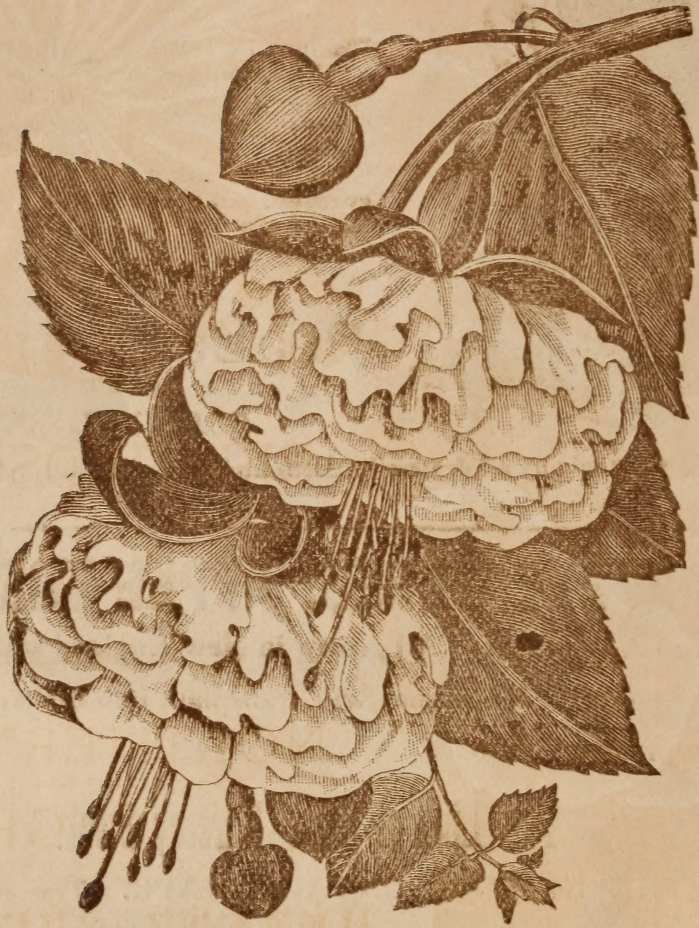
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