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# when you want reliable FLOWER SEEDS

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# A SHORT LIST OF Flower Seeds for Florists

### THAT SHOULD BE SOWN EARLY

For Complete List see our New Wholesale Catalogue for 1913

## HENRY A. DREER

SEEDS—PLANTS—BULBS

714 Chestnut St.

Philadelphia, Pa.



AGERATUM

Alyssum (Sweet Alyssum).		
The most popular white flower for edging.		
Tra	le pkt.	Oz.
Little Gem (Carpet of Snow). Very dwarf,		
the best for pots. Extra select stock.		
pound \$1.50	15	40
Tom Thumb. Dwarf erect growth. 1		
pound 75 cts	10	25
Maritimum (Sweet Alyssum). White,		
trailing, ‡ pound 50 cts	10	15





#### ANTIRRHINUM

#### Ageratum (Floss Flower).

Splendid bedding plants and useful for filling vases, baskets, etc., should be sown early to get good size plants for spring sales.

Irad	e pki	. Oz.
Blue Perfection. Best dark blue bedder	15	\$0 50
Cope's Pet. Fine light blue bedder	15	35
Imperial Dwarf Blue. Fine compact sort	10	30
" " White. " " "	10	30
Little Blue Star. Very dwarf	50	2 50
Princess Pauline. Sky blue, white centre	15	50

#### Antirrhinum (Snapdragon).

Snapdragons are now one of the most popular cut flowers for which purpose the Giant type is best. It is also a splendid bedding plant, for which the Large-flowering Half-dwarf varieties are best adapted.

#### GIANT VARIETIES.

Tall growers with long spikes of very large flowers.

								Tra	de pkt.	Oz.
Giant,	White .								20	60
**	Garnet								20	60
* *	Pink								20	60
* *	Scarlet								20	60
66	Striped								20	60
66	Yellow		ь						20	60
**	Mixed .								15	50

#### LARGE-FLOWERING HALF-DWARF SORTS.

The finest type for bedding; grows about 18 inches high, with good spikes of large individual flowers.

Hite Bood - burge of 1996		
Daphne. Soft rose-pink	20	60
Defiance. Fiery scarlet	20	60
Golden Queen. Rich yellow	20	60
Firebrand. Rich deep red	20	60
Rose Queen. Rich rose	20	60
Mont Blanc. Pure white	20	60
Finest Mixed. All colors	15	50
MAJUS (Tall Snapdragon).		
Mixed.; A fine strain of the tall variety	10	25



BEGONIA SEMPERFLORENS

#### Asparagus.

The varieties here offered are wanted in quantity by every florist, always in strong demand. The stock we offer is extra fine and the correct type wanted by florists.

- Plumosus Hatcheri. Of very rapid growth, closely jointed, and considered the finest type for strings and equally valuable for bunching. \$1.00 per 100 seeds; \$7.50 for 1000 seeds.
- Plumosus nanus (True, greenhouse-grown). 50 cts. per 100 seeds; \$4.00 per 1000 seeds.
- Sprengeri. Greenhouse-grown. 30 cts. per 250 seeds; \$1.00 per 1000 seeds; \$4.50 for 5000 seeds.

Sprengeri. Open-air-grown seed. 25 cts. for 250 seeds; 75 cts. per 1000 seeds; \$3.00 per 5000 seeds.

Special price on large quantities on application.

#### Begonia.

The varieties of Semperflorens are probably the best bedding plants in existence for semi-shady positions. Easily grown from seed.

	I rade p	kt.	Oz.
Semperflorens,	Erfordia. Rosy carmine 30	)	
66	Gracilis rosea. Rose . 30	0	
66	" Luminosa.		
	Fiery red 30	0	
6.6	" Prima Donna.		
	Rose, 17c. per		
	pkt.		
66	Salmon Queen. Salmon		
	rose, 14c. per		
	pkt.		
66	Vernon. Orange carmine 30	0 9	2 50
" "	Single Mixed. All colors 30	0 9	2 00

#### Centaurea.

The varieties Candidissima and Gymnocarpa are the white-leaved sorts so much in use for borders, vases, baskets, etc. To get plants in time the seeds should be sown early.

Candidissima.	White leaved.	shees 0001	U	Le.
Canalassinia.	25 cts		\$1 (	00
Gymnocarpa.	White leaved. 1		¥* 1	
	15 ets			35



ASPARAGUS PLUMOSUS HATCHERI

#### Cineraria (White-leaved sorts)

Maritima, candidissima.Trade pkt.Oz."acanthifolia.White-leaved .1020"bite-leaved .1550

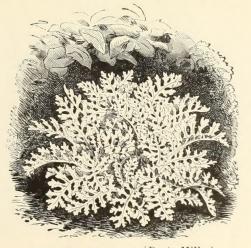
Cobaea (Cups and Saucers Vine).

One of the best climbers, will cling to any rough surface. Always a good sale for plants of this. Seed should be sown early and placed *edgewise* in the flats.

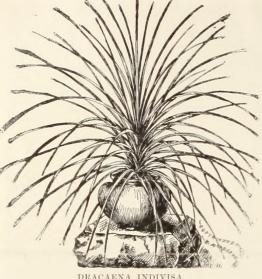
					IL	ade pkt.	UZ.
Scandens.	Purple Alba.						\$0 40 75

#### Coleus.

Dreer's Hybrid, mixed. Saved from a		
fine collection and usually producing fine		
high colored sorts	50	2 50
Ornatus. Large leaved, highly colored in		
great variety	50	3 00



CINERARIA MARITIMA (Dusty Miller)



#### Dracaena.

It is always well to have a lot of these coming along; they are so useful as centre plants, etc. Seeds are sent out in the berry or hull, and should be rubbed out before sowing.

	Trade	pkt.	Oz.
Australis. Broad leaved variety		15	50
Indivisa. Narrow foliage. Very useful	ıl.		
1/4-lb., \$1.00		10	30
Indivisa Lineata. Slightly broader that	an		
type		15	50

#### Heliotrope.

Very easily raised from seed. Our stock comes from the best growers, and can be depended on to produce fine sorts.

Lemoine's Giant. Very large heads	Trade pkt.	0z.
bloom		\$2 00
Regale. A dwarf-growing, large-flowering	g	
sort	40	2 00
Finest Mixed. The regular type	. 25	1 00



LOBELIA CRYSTAL PALACE COMPACTA



#### HELIOTROPE

#### Ipomoea (Moon Flower).

Grandiflora. The Moon Flower is one of the quickest growing and most popular of all summer climbers, and all florists should have it on hand. 15 cts. per trade pkt.; 40 cts. per oz.; \$1.25 per 1 lb.; \$4.50 per lb.

#### Lantana.

Hybrida. Finest mixed. Useful as a pot plant for bedding out or for vases, etc., etc. Seed should be sown early. 10 cts. per trade pkt.; 20 cts. per oz.

#### Lobelia.

All of the varieties are used for bedding, vases, etc. The varieties Speciosa and Gracilis are of a trailing habit and are specially suited for hanging baskets, etc. Seed should be sown early. It germinates easily and quickly, but takes some time to get them any size. Trade pkt. Oz.

	as pice	
Crystal Palace Compacta. Best dwarf,		
dark blue, dark foliage	25	\$1 25
Emperor William. Dwarf, clear light		
blue	25	1 25
Hybrida Sapphire. New trailing variety,		
blue white eye 17 cts. per pkt.		
Prima Donna. Crimson	25	1 00
White Gem. White, compact	25	1 00
Gracilis. Light blue, trailing	15	50
Speciosa (Crystal Palace var.). Dark blue,		
trailing	15	50
Heterophylla Major. A splendid clear		
blue bedding sort. Very large individual		
flowers	30	1 50
Tenuior. Very large flowering, rich blue,		
with white eye	40	2 00
Erinus Compacta. All colors, mixed .	15	50
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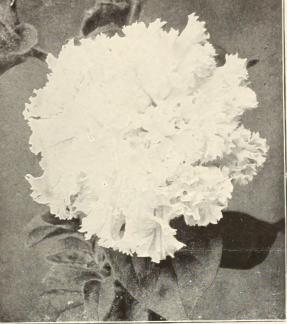
#### Maurandia.

A popular and graceful climber, used in baskets, vases, etc. Barclayana. Mixed. All colors. 25 cts. per trade pkt.; \$1.00 per oz.





DREER'S SUPERB SINGLE FRINGED PETUNIA



DREER'S SUPERB DOUBLE FRINGED PETUNIA

#### Dreer's Superb Petunias.

Our Riverton grown strain of Double and Single Fringed Petunias have long been celebrated as the best on the market. We keep continually culling out and hybridizing and thus maintain the high standard. We frequently test stocks from the world's best growers and can say, without fear of contradiction, that our own strain is by far the best to be had at any price.

**Note.**—We would especially call the attention of every florist who grows Double Petunias from seed that all the smallest and weakest seedlings should be saved, as they usually produce the finest double flowers. The same is true of the singles, the strong seedlings being inclined to "weediness."

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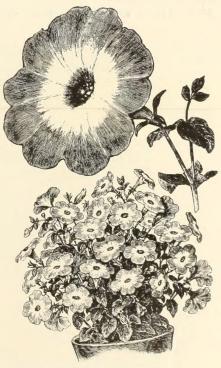
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- Dreer's Superb Double Fringed. Our own unrivaled strain. Every seed saved at Riverton. Mixed colors. 75 cts. per 500 seeds; \$1.50 per 1000 seeds.
- **Dreer's Superb Double Fringed White.** Saved from the finest type of fringed pure white, carefully hybridized. \$1.00 per 500 seeds.
- **Double Fringed Imported.** Seeds are saved by one of the foremost European growers; the best that can be had abroad. \$1.00 per 1000 seeds.
- **Dreer's Superb Single Fringed.** All our own saving from the finest large fringed flowers. Mixed colors. 50 cts. per trade pkt.;  $$1.00 \text{ per } \frac{1}{16} \text{ oz.}; $1.50 \text{ per } \frac{1}{8} \text{ oz.}$

Dreer's Superb Single Fringed White. 50 ets. per trade pkt.

	Trade pkt.
Giant of California. Ruffled Giants. Fringed Ruffled Giants.	
Howard's Star. A beautiful and useful variety. The	flowers are of
medium size, of a rich crimson maroon, with a blus	h white stripe
through each petal, forming a five-pointed star. Just	the thing for
filling boxes, vases, etc. 30 cts. per trade pkt.; \$1.50 p	er oz.
Tra	ade pkt. Oz.
Dwarf Inimitable. Cherry red and white	30 \$1 25
" Snowball. Pure white	30 1 25
" Brilliant. Carmine pink; fine bedder	30 1 50
" Rosy Morn. Soft pink, white throat	50 2 00
Striped and Blotched. Finest mixed: small flowering.	

Deriped and Dioteneut. Thisseninger, black		0	 101	
but very free. Grand for massing for effec	t.		 	20
Hybrida. Pure White. Good for massing	ς.		 	15
Fine Mixed. All colors				15



PETUNIA ROSY MORN



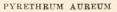
SALVIA SPLENDENS, SCARLET SAGE

#### Pyrethrum.

The well-known "Golden Feather" so much used in ribbon borders, bedding, etc. Seed should be sown early in order to get nice plants to set out in May.

Trad	e pkt.	Oz.
Aureum (Golden Feather). Yellow foliage	10	25
" Selaginoides. Moss-like yel-		
low foliage	15	50







#### SOLANUM

#### Salvia Splendens (Scarlet Sage).

The "Scarlet Sage" stands very near the top in popular bedding plants. We only offer the finest types, each being quite distinct.

Т	rade pkt. Oz.	
Splendens. "Scarlet Sage." Bright scarlet	t 25 \$1 00	>
"Ball of Fire." A splendid dwarf sort .	50 2 50	)
"Bonfire." (Clara Bedman.) Compact growth		)
"Burning Bush." Of taller growth than	1	
the above. Very large spikes		,
ing	50 4 00	)
"Bouquet Rose." New rose-pink vari		
ety. 17 cts. per pkt.		

#### Smilax.

Every florist should grow some of this; always needed. Seed we offer is of new crop and of high germination. Trade pkt., 10 cts.; 0z., 35 cts.;  $\frac{1}{3}$ -lb., \$1.00.

#### Solanum.

#### Trade pkt. Oz.

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#### Stevia.

Serrata. An old favorite white flower, still used extensively for cutting . . . 20



STOCKS-LARGE-FLOWERING TEN WEEKS



STOCKS-CUT-AND-COME-AGAIN

#### Stocks (Gilliflower).

Thousands of Stocks are sold as pot plants, and many more are grown for their flowers. Cheap grades are likely to prove largely single. Ours are grown specially for us by an expert, and will produce over 90 per cent. double flowers.

#### Large Flowering Ten Weeks' Stocks.

This is the leading variety for bedding. Of dwarf, compact habit. Comes into bloom early and produces fine spikes of very double flowers.

									Trad	e pkt.	Oz.
Blood red .										40	\$2 50
Canary yellow	v				,					40	2 50
Bright rose .										40	250
Light blue .										40	250
Purple			٠							40	250
Pure white .								•	•	40	250
Finest mixed		•	•							30	2 00

#### Cut-and-Come-Again Ten Weeks' Stocks.

Splendid perpetual-blooming class; sown in March or April they begin flowering in July, continuing until frost, and are especially valuable during September and October when other flowers are scarce; they throw out numerous side branches, all bearing very double fragrant flowers; excellent for cutting. **Trade pkt. Oz.** 

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. 50	\$3 00
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. 50	3 00
. 50	3 00
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#### Various Stocks.

Wallflower=leaved, Ten Weeks' Snowflake. A fine white	50	6 00
Beauty of Nice. Delicate flesh-pink	50	2 50
Empress Elizabeth. Brilliant carmine-rose	50	4 00
Queen Alexandra. Rosy-lilac, fine for cutting	50	2 50
Brompton. Mixed	50	2 50

#### DREER'S FLOWER SEEDS FOR EARLY SOWING



DREER'S MAMMOTH VERBENA

Thunbergia (Black Eyed Susan).									
			Tra	de pkt.	0z.				
Highly	useful vine for baskets, vase	es,	etc.						
Mixed.	All colors			15	50				

#### Torenia.



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VINCA ROSEA

#### Verbenas.

We take special pains with our strain of Mammoth Verbenas, continually selecting and keeping it up to the highestpoint for size of flowers, purity of color, etc. They should be sown early to get nice plants in time for spring sales.

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Ti	rade pkt.	0z.
Pink shades	30	\$1 25
Blue shades	30	1 25
Purple shades	3)	1 25
Scaret shades	30	1 25
Striped shades	30	1 25
Pure white	30	1 25
Finest mixed. Al	1	
colors	25	1 00
pice mixed. A good	l	
	15	50
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liotrope. Fine bedder	10	25
ender; fine for baskets	15	50
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#### Vinca.

Most useful plants. Seeds should be sown early in brisk heat.

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Rosea.	Rose, with darker eye	15	\$0 50
**	Alba. White, with rose eye	15	50
" "	" Pura. Pure white	'15	50
66	Delicata. New, soft rosy carmine.		
	14 cts. per pkt		
6.6	Mixed. All colors	15	40