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# ALPHA NURSERY ALPHA, ILLINOIS

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# and Flowers – PRICES Choice Trees, Shrubs



That Save you Money **Our Leaders** 

BRIDAL WREATH GLADIOLUS BARBERRY PRIVET PHLOX ROSES

Our Motto: "FAIR AND SQUARE" 33 Years at Alpha

Barberry

Alpha Nursery, Alpha, Illinois H. G. Wirt

1926 WITH THE YELLOW TAG nursery stock

1926





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Originator of the Alpha Nursery



N 1892 the late Mr. George G. Wirt came to Alpha, Illinois, from Portland, Oregon, where he owned one-half interest in a large wholesale Nursery, having sold his half interest there he came to his native state, as Mr. Wirt was born in Keithsburg, 71 years ago. He started when just a boy in growing small fruits, later he budded and grafted fruit trees which he sold locally

In 1892 Mr. Wirt purchased a piece of land at Alpha, Illinois, and started the Alpha Nursery, which business has been steadily increasing, as Mr. Wirt's great aim was to have every plant TRUE TO NAME (although mistakes sometimes happened he was always ready to corect them). To treat everyone fair and square, give good service, and big values by giving the lowest prices on good reliable stock.

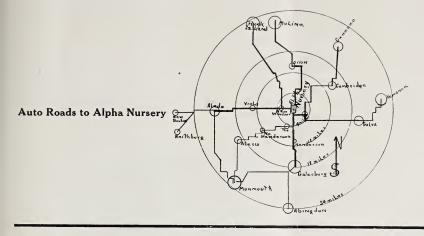
The ALPHA NURSERY will always try to uphold the great aim of Mr. Wirt, Sr., by improving the service, improving the trees, shrubs and plants, growing them better and selling them lower and still maintain the best of quality. If you receive anything from us which you think is not right, tell us about it, as we are the only one that will make it right. We will do everything we can to have every customer satisfied, and treated fair and square. We like to be treated that way, so do you.



Office, Greenhouse and Packing Sheds.

# Where We Are

How to reach our NURSERY by Auto. We are only 18 miles from Galesburg; 32 from Rock Island, or Moline; 20 from Aledo or Galva.



#### COME AND GET 'EM

Drive up to the Nursery, load your stock in the car and be home in a few hours. Hundreds do this every year. April and May in the spring. October and November in the fall. The roads are usually good.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

#### PRICES HEREIN CANCEL ALL PREVIOUS PRICE LISTS

**LOCATION**—We are located midway between Galesburg and Rock Island, and about midway between Galva and Burlington, on the C. B. & Q. R. R., therefore can ship in any direction.

Our grounds are located opposite the depot, our office and packing sheds adjoining the tracks, which makes delivery very convenient and without delay.

**SHIPPING**—We have extra good shipping facilities. Four local freights and eight express trains each day. We will ship all small packages by Express or Parcel Post, and recommend the larger packages to be sent by Express, even if the cost is a trifle more than freight, thus insuring immediate delivery.

**PARCEL POST**—The parcel post service is now improved so we can send packages up to 50 lbs. On distances up to 350 miles, parcel post is cheaper than express, but over this distance express is little the cheaper.

We have a parcel post department in which we list trees and plants in sizes that can go by parcel post. Kindly use this department when stock is to be shipped in this manner. DO NOT FORGET TO ADD POSTAGE.

Please do not ask us to send trees larger than we list in this department by parcel post, as the post office will not accept them, and therefore will cause a delay in getting your order started.

TERMS—Cash or satisfactory references from unknown parties before shipment.

**PACKING**—These prices are for well packed stock, and delivered to the rail road station at ALPHA.

MISTAKES cheerfully corrected, but no claims allowed unless made within seven days after shipment is received.

**GUARANTEE**—We guarantee all Nursery stock to be true to name, and should any prove not, we will return the amount paid for such stock, or replace with stock that is true, but we are not liable for damages other than herein named.

**REPLACING**—We do so at one-half the original price on fruit trees and shrubs, providing a list of the varieties that did not grow is sent to us within four months after the stock is received. Otherwise we do not.

**RATES**—Six at dozen, 50 at 100 rates, unless otherwise stated. This applies to trees, plants, etc., of any one class having a common price.

SHIPPING TIME—Spring shipments start about the first week in April and continue until last of May. Fall shipment starts about the middle of October and continues until freezing weather.

**SUBSTITUTION**—We desire to follow the customer's wishes and will not substitute unless we are out of the varieties ordered, and then to our best judgment, unless advised otherwise.

**DISEASE**—Our stock and premises are inspected each year by a State inspector, and a certificate issued, that such are apparently free from all dangerous insects and diseases. A certificate of inspection accompanies each shipment.

#### PRICES HEREIN CANCEL ALL PREVIOUS LISTS

We Pay The Transportation Charges on all orders amounting to \$20.00 or over, if east of Colorado, except on large shade trees. We will use our judgment how to send the shipments.

## APPLES

1	Each	rer 5	Per 10	Per 100
st size, 4 to 6 ft. trees, 2 year old	50c	\$2.35	\$4.50	\$42.50

(By Express Only).

#### SUMMER VARIETIES

Benonia-Medium, roundish, pale yellow shaded with crimson; juicy, tender, sub-acid; August.

**Early Harvest**—Medium, to large, roundish, bright straw color, flesh white, good quality. July.

Astrachan Red—Large, roundish, nearly covered with crimson; juicy, sub-acid; tree strong, spreading grower. August.

**Red June**—Medium, oblong, hardy and productive; deep red color; flesh white, tender, rich and sub-acid. August.

Yellow Transparent Medium, yellow, good July.

Liveland Raspberry—A very early variety of fine quality, good size, white striped and shaded with crimson; a good healthy grower, very hardy.

#### AUTUMN VARIETIES

Duchess of Oldenberg—Large size, roundish, streaked with red and yellow, flesh white, juicy, acid. September.

Famuese (Snow) — Medium, deep crimson, flesh snowy white, tender. Tree slow crooked grower. October and November.

**Golden Sweet**—Fruit large, pale yellow; flesh tender, sweet and rich; hardy and a good grower. August and September.

**Wealthy** Large, roundish, smooth, nearly covered with dark red; flesh white, fine, juicy, sub-acid quality very good; good grower and productive. October.

#### WINTER VARIETIES

Baldwin—Medium size, red, flesh yellow, subacid; tree a good grower, but a little tender here. December.

**Delicious**—Fruit large, nearly covered with brilliant dark red, flesh fine grained, crisp and melting, juicy, with a delightful aroma; of very highest quality. December to February.

Domine—Medium size, flat, greenish yellow with red stripes; flesh white, tender and juicy. Tree hardy, vigorous and productive. Early bearer. January. Grimes Golden— Medium golden yellow, with white dots, crisp, tender and juicy, excellent; tree vigorous, hardy and productive. November to January.

**Gano**—Good size, smooth and very attractive; deep red, resembles Ben Davis, but is an improvement on that variety, being handsomer and better colored. December to March.

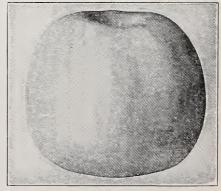
**Golden Russet**—Medium size; flesh greenish white, good quality; tree a good grower and hardy. January.

**Golden Winesap**—New Variety, one of the most promising offered in the past twenty years. Color yellow, with a slight red blush, juicy flavor of the Jonathan, and the meatiness of the old Winesap, good size, and good keeper, abundant bearer. December to March.

**Jonathan**—Medium, nearly covered with brilliant stripes of lively red; very showy, juicy, excellent; trees spreading and slender; bears early. November to February.

**Mammoth Black Twig**—Large, deep red, subacid; early and abundant bearer; keeps well; tree a strong grower; resembles Winesap, but is superior in many ways, and fully one-third larger. January to April.

Northwestern Greening-Large, smooth, greenish yellow; flesh fine grained, firm; extremely hardy and a strong, handsome grower. December to April.



Grimes Golden

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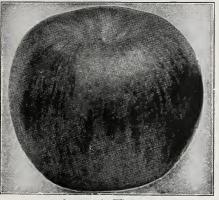
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# **APPLES** and **CRABAPPLES**

Paradise Sweet-Medium size, greenish yellow, sweet, good quality. December.

**Roman Stem**—Medium size, yellow, of good quality, very productive; tree a slow grower when young.

Stayman's Winesap—Fruit large, striped, nearly covered with red; flesh greenish yellow, very juicy and aroma&c; very good; a strong, spreading grower; a good, early bearer; the best of our late winter apples. January to May.



Stayman's Winesap

Tallman Sweet—Medium, pale yellow, firm, rich and very sweet, the most valuable preserving and baking apple; vigorous. October and December.

Winesap—Medium, roundish, deep red, firm, crisp, juicy; excellent quality, moderate grower and good bearer; succeeds well throughout the West. December to May.

Winter Banana—Fruit large, color clear yellow, overspread with pink; red-blushed; flesh yellow, very rich and juicy; tree subject to blight. November to January.

## **DWARF APPLES**

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Set trees 8 to 10 feet apart. Very productive; usually start bearing the second year after planting. Excellently adapted to yard or small garden.

We have four good varieties to offer in the dwarf apple:

Yellow Transparant (Summer). Wealthy (Fall). Jonathan (Early Winter). Delicious (Winter).

Two year, 4 to 5 ft., 75c each. The 4 varieties for \$2.50. Postage 10c each; the 4 for 20c.

# A Splendid Farm Collection

Here is an assortment of fruit trees for the farm or a city home, with a little extra garden room, or fine for a city lot.

Early Harvest Apple.
Snow.
Duchess.
Jonathan.
Delicious.
Delicious Dwarf.
Early Richmond Cherry.
Montmorency Cherry.
Bartlett Pear.
Opata Plum.
Apricot.
Elberta Peach.
Champion Peach.
Magna Charta Rose
Bridal Wreath, 2 to 3 ft.
\$9.45 value for
\$7.50
by express only.

## **CRAB APPLES**

First-class; 4 to 6 ft. trees, 50c each.

**Transcendant** Large, golden yellow with blush; flesh firm, crisp, yellowish; fine grained, very juicy and acid. Popular for jelly and preserves. Trees grow rapidly and irregular; great bearer.

Hyslop—Large, round, yellow, with heavy shadings of deep crimson; blue bloom; flesh fine, firm, yellow. Its high color always commands a fancy market price. Bears abundantly and in clusters. Tree hardy and vigorous. September and October.

Whitney—Fruit very large, yellow striped with red, flesh yellow, very juicy and fine grained, flavor rich and almost sweet. August.

Sweet Crab—Large size, sweet, good bearer; whitish yellow. Fine for preserves and pickles. September.

# PEACHES

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Our Peaches are all Alpha grown and surely are a fine lot. They will be sure to please. Our prices are extremely low for these high quality trees.

	Each	Per 10	Per 100
1st size-4 to 6 ft.	\$.40	\$3.50	\$25.00
2nd size-3 to 5 ft.	.30	2.50	18.00

**Elberta**—The great American market peach; produces big, profitable crops. Fruit large, bright, attractive, yellow with crimson shading; flesh firm and of good quality. Will ripen perfectly when picked green. One of the best for home or market use. Free stone. September.

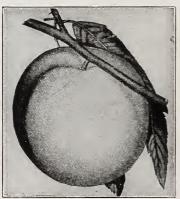
**Early Elberta**—Smaller than Elberta, fruit yellow; of very good quality. Tree hardy and good bearer. Ripens about ten days earlier than Elberta.

**Golden**—Good size, golden yellow inside and out, of very good quality. Tree very hardy and a good bearer. Has proven to be a good variety here. September 10 to 15.

**J. H. Hale** Of large size, ripens earlier than Elberta, and is of good quality. Color, golden yellow inside and out, with a red cheek. Ripens in September.

Wilson—Fruit large, yellow with large blush. Flesh yellow and juicy. Ripens ten days earlier than Champion. Originated in Mercer County. Supply limited.

Alexander-Medium size, almost solid red in color-flesh white and juicy. July.





**Champion**— Fruit large, delicious, sweet, juicy; skin creamy white, with red cheek; handsome, hardy and productive, and a good shipper; adhering slightly to the stone. August 15th.

**Crosby**—Freestone, medium size, bright yellow. streaked with carmine; annual bearer; hardy. September 15th.



Elberta

**Greensboro**—The flesh is white, juicy and delicious quality for so early a peach. The largest and most beautifully colored of all early sorts. July.

**Crawford's Early**—Freestone, large, yellow; flesh yellow, quality good; tree good grower, but the buds are tender. September.

Lemon Cling—Very large, light yellow; flesh firm, yellow and rich; the great canning peach of the South and West. August.

#### THIS MAN THINKS HE WAS TREATED FAIR AND SQUARE

Canton, Ill., May 5, 1925. ALPHA NURSERY,

Alpha, Ill. Dear Sirs: Your generosity exceeds if possible, even the quality of your plants, and that is saying a great deal, as all the plants without an exception, which we received from you, both last year and this year, are all growing and doing nicely. We thank you for your most generous treatment of us, and will endeavor to show our appreciation by recommending your firm to all who inquire about nursery stock.

S. E. Lacey.

# CHERRIES and PLUMS

# **CHERRIES**

5 to 6 ft., first class, \$1.00 each; 6 or more 90c each. Cannot send by Parcel Post.

**Early Richmond**—Medium, red, early, h a r d y, immensely productive; ripens the last of June.

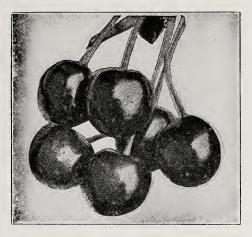
Large Montmorency—Large; fruit beautiful dark red, sub-acid; of the very best quality; ten days later than the Early Richmond; a fine shaped tree; hardy and productive.

**Compass**—Cross between a cherry and a plum. Fruit good size, bright red, sweet and juicy of fine flavor. A good early bearing tree, perfectly hardy. **4 to 6 ft., 60c each.** 

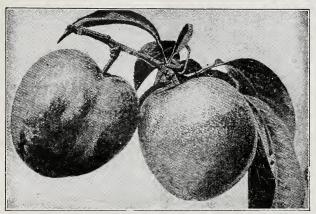
## PRUNES

#### 2 year, 4 to 5 ft., 50c each.

Italian Prune—Medium large; purplish-black; blue bloom; free; flesh greenish-yellow, juicy, sweet, and of good quality, will hang on tree after ripening; splendid for drying, canning, and market. Tree very productive. September.



Early Richmond



PLUMS

**Red June Plum** 

# HANSEN HYBRID PLUMS

New plums introduced by Professor Hansen, of the South Dakota Experiment Station, at Brookings, who has originated many new fruits, which are of great value and importance to all sections of the country. One important feature of these Hybrid Plums, is their good quality, extreme hardiness, prolificness and early bearing.

Hanska— Cross between native Plum and Apricot Plum of China, fruit splendid for eating out of the hand, and when cooked, retains the apricot flavor, fruit about Fine 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 50c each; 3 for \$1.40.

one and one-half inches in diameter, red in color, flesh firm, yellow, good quality. Begins to bear the second year. Hardy.

**Sapa**—Fruit dark purple, thin skin, red purple flesh. Very fine for eating and cooking, fine flavor and very prolific bearer. Fruit borne in clusters around the stem; trees three years old have borne as high as one and one-half bushels. Hardy.

**Opata**— Dark purplish red. Flesh green, flavor spicy, rich and sweet. Tree vigorous and hardy. A very productive and early bearer. Ripens in July.

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## European PLUMS and Japan

Abundance-Medium size, showy, beautiful amber colored, turning to a rich cherry, highly perfumed; flesh light yellow, exceedingly juicy and tender. 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 60c each.

Blue Damson Enormously productive. Fruit small size, about an inch long; skin purple, covered with thick blue bloom; flesh melting and juicy, rather tart, separ-ates partially from the stone. September. 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 60c each.

Wild Goose-Hardy, native, deep red with purplish bloom; flesh yellow, juicy and sweet; rapid grower; early and abundant bearer. July and August. 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 50c each.

Green Gage-Medium sized yellow freestone, of extra good quality; tree a slow, dwarfish grower. August. 70c each.

Burbank—Very large, reddish purple; flesh yel-low and solid; cling, fine quality, one of the best for canning; tree strong, spreading grower, hardy and productive; subject to rot in wet years. August. 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 60c each.

Red June-A vigorous, hardy, upright, spreading tree; as productive as abundance. Fruit medium to large, deep vermilion red, with handsome bloom; very showy, flesh light lemon color, slightly sub-acid, of good and pleasant quality; pit small. Early. 2 year, 4 to 6 ft., 60c each.

Yellow Egg—Fruit large, yellow, fair quality; fine for canning; tree a good grower and very pro-ductive; the best of the yellow plums for this climate. September. 70c each.

Guii-Fruit large, purplish blue; flesh yellow, firm and sweet; freestone; tree hardy and a strong grower. It has done the best here of any of the large blue plums. September. 70c each.

# PEARS

Good 2 year, 4 to 6 ft. trees, 70c each; \$6.50 per 10.

**Kieffer** Pear

Kieffer— While not of the best quality, it is one of the favorite varieties for canning and preserving. A very profitable market sort, on account of its good keeping and shipping qualities. Of extraordinary size and beauty. 60c each.

Bartlett-Large size, color rich yellow, with often a beautiful blush next the sun; buttery, very juicy, and highly flavored. September.

Duchess-Very large; dull, greenish yellow, streaked and spotted with russet; flesh white, buttery and very juicy, with a rich and very excel-lent flavor. October.

Lincoln-Large; golden yellow; quality only medium, distinctive as having very few if any seeds, almost clear of core. Tree good grower and productive.

Seckel-Small, yellow. with crimson cheek; flesh melting sweet and aromatic; most exquisitely flavored pear known. Tree slow grower, but hardy and healthy. September.

Dwarf Pears-Bartlett, Duchess, Seckel, Lincoln. These pears commence bearing much earlier than the standards. 4 to 5 ft. trees, price same as standards.

# QUINCE

Quince (Orange)-The quince is in very high favor because of its many uses, such as canning, preserving, and flavoring other fruits. This variety is golden yellow, flesh firm, of good flavor; bears abundantly. 4 to 5 ft. trees, \$1.00 each.

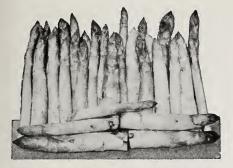
# APRICOTS

Apricots-The apricot is a very welcome fruit, ripening between the cherry and peach; it requires the same treatment as the plum; good bearer; fruit like orange, flecked with red. Flesh tender, juicy, sweet and good. 3 to 5 ft. trees, 50c each.



# GRAPES and GARDEN FRUITS

# ASPARAGUS



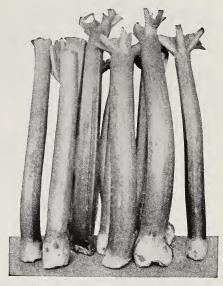
Postage, 10c per 12; 20c per 50.

Conover's Colossal Asparagus—Produces large, tender roots of vigorous growth. 2 year roots, 35c per 12; \$2.00 per 100.

Washington—A new rust-resistant pedigreed Asparagus. As a standard variety for the production of fancy Asparagus for the home or market, it stands ahead of all others in size, vigor, tenderness, quality and rust-resistance. Washington, 1 year plants, per 12, 40c; per 100, \$2.50; per 1000, \$12.00.

## PIE PLANT

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Linnaeus—Large, early, tender and fine, the very best of all. Large two-year-old roots. 10c each; \$1.00 per 12. Postage. 6c for 1; 8c, 2 to 4 roots; 15c, 4 to 8 roots; 20c for 8 to 12 roots.

## GRAPES

Postage 6c, for 1 to 4 plants; 8c, 4 to 8 plants; 10c, 8 to 12 plants. Large 2 year Plants.

#### **Concord**— Black, the most popular grape in America; bunches and berries large, hardy, healthy and productive. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12; \$11.00 per 100.

Moore's Early—Black, bunches medium size and very compact; berries large and of excellent quality; ripens ten days before Concord, which makes it very desirable for market; very hardy, well suited for the North; one of the best. 30c each; \$3.00 per 12; \$20.00 per 100.

Campbell's Early—A strong grower. an abundant bearer; bunches and berries very large, glossy black; ripens with the Moore's Early, but will hang on the vines until frost. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12.

Agawam—Red or maroon color; berries large, of rich, peculiar aromatic flavor; ripens a week later than Concord; vine a strong, rank grower. **30c** each; \$3.00 per 12.



Grapes in Nursery

Moore's Diamond—White bunches and berries, large; flesh tender, juicy; hardy, productive, early; fine quality. **30c each. \$3.00 per 12.** 

# GARDEN FRUITS



**Red Cross** 

**Red Cross—**A strong growing variety, with long clusters; berry medium to large, bright red, mild, good quality and a fine flavor. **15c each; \$1.50 per 12**.

# **CURRANTS**

Postage 6c, 1 to 4; 8c, 4 to 8; 10c, 8 to 10; 12c, 10 to 12 plants.

All large 2 year plants.

Cherry-Large, deep, red, rather acid, branches short; very productive. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

Fay's Prolific—A cross between the Cherry and Victoria; one of the most popular of the red currants, and immensely prolific. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

**Permona**—Fruit of good size and flavor, bright red, has long stems and hangs in fine condition after ripening, is a good shipper; bush bears early and is wonderfully prolific; a good market sort. **15c each; \$1.50 per 12.** 

White Grape—Bush vigorous and productive; clusters long, berries large, very attractive, mild flavor and good quality; a good table variety; distinct from White Dutch. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

# Our Special Garden Collection

EVERYTHING FOR THE SMALL HOME GARDEN

- 100 Senator Dunlap Strawberries.
- 25 Cumberland Raspberries.
- 3 Champion Gooseberries.
- 3 Red Cross Currants.
- 1 White Currant.

- 4 Concord Grapes. 2 Moore's Early Grapes.
- 6 Pieplant.
- 25 Washington Asparagus.

\$6.00 worth of plants for our special price Postage 25c.

\* \$5.00

# BLACKBERRIES

Postage, 6c per 12; 15c per 50.

**Eldorado**—Among the good points of this valuable new blackberry, are great productiveness, hardiness, extra fine quality, and sweetness of flavor, without core, the berries are large, jet black, borne in clusters and ripen well together; sweet, melting, rich and pleasant to the taste. Price, 50c per dozen; \$4.00 per 100; \$35.00 per 1000.

## GOOSEBERRIES

30c each; \$3.00 per 12

Postage 6c for 1 to 4 plants; 8c for 4 to 8; 10c for 8 to 12 plants.

**Champion**—A variety introduced from Oregon, where it originated. Bush a strong, upright grower, very hardy and enormously productive; fruit round, entirely free from mildew and easily gathered. We consider this the best of the goosberries for general planting.

**Pearl**—Medium; greenish; quality good; a desirable sort for market also. Bush a strong grower and very productive.

**Downing**—Native variety, fruit large round, light green, juicy and fine flavored. Smooth skin; Productive.



Champion

# STRAWBERRIES

The following varieties of strawberries are perfect flowering; that is, they do not need any other variety planted near them for fertilizer. We tie all strawberries 25 in a bunch. Write for fall prices. If wanted by Parcel Post, add 5c for 25; 8c for 50; 10c for 100 plants.

Senator Dunlap— Fruit good size, regular form, beautiful bright red; glossy, firm, splendid keeper and shipper; excellent quality; one of the best for canning; ripens early and con-tinues a long time. 25 plants, 35c; 50 plants, 50c; 75c per 100; \$3.50 per 500; \$5.50 per 1000; \$25.00 per 5,000; \$40.00 for 10,000 plants.

Norwood-Extra large and of very fine quality; bright red all the way through, a strong, healthy grower; the best of the large fancy berries. 25 plants, 60c; \$2.00 per 100.

Gandy-Extra large and handsome, firm; the very latest; most all of the crop ripens after the Dunlap.

25 plants, 50c; \$1.50 per 100; \$6.00 per 500; \$8.00 per. 1,000.

#### EVERBEARING STRAWBERRIES

This kind of strawberries has proved a success. They are hardy and healthy, make a crop in June and another in the fall.

**Progressive**—Berries large, firm, and good quality; plant a healthy, strong grower and a good plant maker. This plant seems to be a general favorite. With us the June crop was almost as good as the standard varieties. This variety is the original ever bearer and the best of all, and will give the best satisfaction. 50c per 12; 65c per 25; \$2.00 per 100.

# RASPBERRIES

Postage 8 cents per 12; 15 cents per 50; if within 30 mi.

Cumberland One of the largest black raspberries known; its immense size, firmness and great productiveness entitles it to first consideration. Unusually strong grower, throwing up stout, stocky canes; perfectly hardy. The most profitable raspberry grown for home or market use. Fruits for long season. 50 cents per 12; \$3.50 per 100.

Louden Red-Large size, very firm and hardy, moderate grower, the best of the reds for heavy, rich soil. Sprouts. 50 cents per 12; \$4.00 per 100.

St. Regis (Everbearer)-Very early, fruit large and extra quality, good, stocky grower and hardy. It is very much like the Louden, except it makes a fall crop of the new canes. Red variety. 85c per 12; \$2.50 per 50; \$4.50 per 100.

Purple Columbia—Deep purplish red, highly flavored, extra strong canes, wonderfully productive; berries very large. There is nothing finer grown in the line of fruit than this variety for table use, canning, etc. This variety does not sprout. \$1.00 per 12; \$1.75 per 25; \$3.00 per 50; \$5.00 per 100.

Raspberries are tied 25 to the bunch the top canes are left 6 to 10 inches long, for the sole purpose of tying them in bunches, and after planting this cane generally dies, and the plant starts from the crown or root. In planting, spread the roots out good, cover the crown from 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches with soil. **Do not** put manure next to the roots. Cultivate good the first year, then mulch heavy along the row

## DEWBERRIES

Lucretia-A trailing blackberry, larger and juicier than blackberries. Fruit ripens ten days before blackberries. For the best success, cover them in the fall like strawberries; in the spring, take the

mulching off and put it under them to keep the berries off the ground, and shorten the runners to eighteen inches. Prices 75c per 12; \$2.75 per 50; \$4.00 per 100. Postage 8c per 12; 15c per 50.



# EVERGREENS

# NORWAY SPRUCE

A lofty elegant tree, of perfect pyramidal habit; remarkably elegant and rich; and as it gets age, has fine, graceful, pendulous branches. It is exceedingly picturesque and beautiful.

Much used for foundation planting, where taller Everegreen is wanted, as at the corner or each side of the entrance; also fine for the Shrubbery border, and for windbreaks. They will stand pruning, thus can be made into many shapes.

3 ft. balled and burlapped\$2.00 e 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ft. balled and burlapped1.50 e 2 ft. balled and burlapped1.00 e	each
18 to 24 in. not balled	
\$6.00 per 10.	
12 to 18 in. not balled	each
\$4.00 per 10.	



Norway Spruce

#### A SAVING FOR YOU

We have a small block of evergreens that we have to move this spring, and we are offering them to you at a very low price.

Blue and Green Cedars—	
3 to 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ft\$1.50	each
2 to 3 ft 1.00	each
Norway Spruce— 2 to 21/ ft \$ 75	aaab

Colorado Blue Spruce (P. Pungens)—A type of the Colorado Blue spruce; it is the highest colored and most striking of all the Evergreens for lawn planting; the foliage is a rich and beautiful silverblue; very hardy. 12 to 16 in., \$5.00 each.

# **BLUE CEDAR**

#### (Juniper Glauca)

The fascinating native Red Cedar that is compared to the classic Cypress. The upright habit, the silvery tint of its foliage and the freedom with which it grows in unfertile places, are valuable qualities.

Color changeable from dark to light blue. Splendid for planting at the corner of foundations, each side of the walks, drives, etc., as fine for accents in the shrubbery border.

4 to 41/2 ft.	Select B. & B. Fine Trees\$	4.00
3 to 4 ft.	B. & B	3.00
2 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft.	B. & B	1.50
16 to 18 in.	B. & B	1.00

# **GREEN CEDAR**

#### Juniperus Virginiana

Same form and habit as above, only the color of foliage is green, which makes a very good contrast when planted with the blue variety.

4	ft.	Β.	&	B			\$3.00
3	to	31/2	ft.	В.	&	B	2.50
2	to	$2\frac{1}{2}$	ft.	В.	&	B	1.50

# ARBOR VITAE

Globosa (Globe Arbor Vitae)—Round, compact form and dense foliage; very hardy; does well planted in tubs for winter porch decorations. 12 to 14 in., \$1.25 each.

Pyramidal Arbor Vitae (T. Occidentalis var. pyramidalis)—A densely branched variety, forming a perfect column; holds its shape without trimming or pruning; hardy and will succeed anywhere the American Arbor Vitae does; a very ornamental type for many kinds of planting. 14 to 16 in., \$1.50 each.

# AMERICAN ARBOR VITAE

This tree is very unique in its habits of growth, the leaf gradually hardening and forming the wood of the tree; habit upright; much inclined to branch and form more than one trunk; one of the best trees for ornamental hedging; also fine for foundation planting, as it can be trimmed in almost any shape. When trimmed into low round balls, make a pretty effect in front of larger trees and shrubs.

2 to 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> ft. B. & B.	\$1.50
2 ft. B. & B.	1.00
18 to 24 in. not balled \$ .70	each
\$6.00 per 10.	
12 to 18 in. Hedge size\$ .40	each
\$3.50 per 10; \$30.00 per 100.	

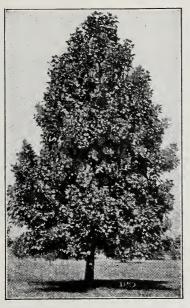
# **IRISH JUNIPER**

This is another pyramidal form evergreen. It has many branches coming up and form a very straight, compact tree. The silver color makes it desirable. It seldom attains a height of over 4 or 5 ft. Fine for all forms of planting.

2 ft. B. & B. Excellent Trees......\$3.00 1 to 1½ ft. B. & B. Excellent Trees.......2.00

# SHADE TREES

**Poplar, Norway or Carolina**—One of the most rapid growing trees, with large, deep green leaves; succeeds everywhere, especially adapted to cities, where it makes a fast growth, and resists smoke and gas. It makes a spreading head and dense shade when properly trimmed. 10 to 12 ft., \$1.25 each; \$10.00 per 10; 8 to 10 ft., 75c each; \$7.00 per 10; 5 to 7 ft., 40c each; \$3.50 per 10.



Sycamore

Elm—White, the noble, drooping, spreading tree of our woods; one of the grandest of park or street trees. 10 to 12 ft., \$1.25 each; \$10.00 per 10; 8 to 10 ft., 90c each; \$7.50 per 10; 6 to 8 ft., 60c each; \$5.00 per 10.

Moline Elm—This tree is becoming very popular, it is a straight upright grower, very picturesque, hardy and long lived. 6 to 8 ft., \$2.25 each.

**Sycamore**—A lofty, wide-spreading tree; heart-shaped leaves; valuable for its handsome foliage and free growth. **4 to 5 ft., 75c each.** 

**Norway Maple**—A native of Europe; a large, handsome tree, with broad, deep green, shining foliage. Very similar to hard maple, but faster growing. 6 to 8 ft., \$2.00 each; 8 to 10 ft., \$2.50.

Hard Maple—Spreading top and very dense shade, very desirable for street, park or lawns. 5 to 6 ft., \$1.50; 8 to 10 ft., \$2.00 each.

#### Schwedlers Maple (A. Platanoides Schwedlerli)— This is the beautiful tree with reddish purple leaves that is so much admired. Our trees are straight whips, no branches, cut the top off where you wish the head to form. 6 to 7 feet, \$2.50 each;

5 to 6 ft., \$2.00 each. Crab— (Bechtel's Double Flowering) — A beautiful tree while in bloom; the flowers are fragrant and double, resembling miniature roses, color pink. 2 to 3 ft., \$1.00 each.

**Lombardy Poplar** (P. Fastigiata)—Attains a height of from fifty to one hundred feet; well known for its erect, rapid growth and tall spiry form; indispensable tree for landscape gardening, to break the monotony of most other trees. 6 to 7 ft., 65c each; \$6.00 per 10; 4 to 6 ft., 40c each.

Linden. American—A stately tree, growing 60 to 80 feet tall, with large, shining cordate leaves. Valuable for its beautiful white wood; flowers in July. 5 to 6 ft., 85c each.

Redbud (Cercis)—Judas Tree—A medium sized tree with large irregular head shaped leaves; derives its name, Red Bud, from the profusion of delicate, reddish-pink blossoms with which it is covered in early spring before the foliage appears. 5 to 6 ft., \$1.00 each.



Elm

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**Olive, Russian**—Tree attains a height of from 20 to 30 feet; bark dark green; wood very heavy and burns like a candle; foliage rich silver color, willow shape; flowers deep golden and very fragrant; hardy. 4 to 5 ft., 50c each.

Tree of Heaven (Ailanthus)—10 to 15 ft. More of a tree than shrub. Hardy and very rapid grower. Tropical foliage, long, fernlike leaves; good for background of other shrubs. 4 to 5 ft. plants, 75c each.

Catalpa Speciosa—A rapid grower with large, light green leaves and white flowers in June. 6 to 8 ft., 50c.

Catalpa Seedling—These are the hardy Speciosa. For posts they should be planted 4x5 ft., and given good cultivation for two or three years. \$2.50 per 100; \$7.00 per 500.

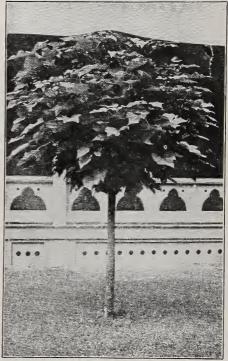
WILLOWS

Wisconsin Willow in Nursery

# CATALPA BUNGEII

Catalpa Bungeii (Umbrella Catalpa) – Grafted on stems six to eight feet high, it makes an umbrella-shaped top, without pruning; perfectly hardy; leaves large, glossy, heart-shaped, deep green; lay like shingles on a roof.

6 to 8 ft., \$2.00 each. 5 to 6 ft., \$1.50 each. 4 to 5 ft., \$1.00 each.



Catalpa Bungeli

# **MULBERRIES**

Mulberries, Russian—Tree ornamental, as well as productive; bears very large, handsome black fruit of rich flavor. 6 to 8 ft. trees, 75c each.

# CHESTNUTS

Willow, Wisconsin (Weeping)—A very graceful tree of large size. Its fresh, bright green tint and long, wavy branches, makes it very attractive. Very hardy. 5 to 6 ft. trees, 75c each. American Sweet—The nuts of this tree form quite an item in our commerce. They are sweet and delicately flavored. This chestnut is also a grand timber and ornamental shade tree. 5 to 6 ft trees, \$1.00 each.

ALPHA NURSERY

# SHRUBS and HEDGES

# THE BEST HEDGE AND BORDER SHRUBS

Barberry (Thunberg's or Japanese)—The finest of all the Barberries, grows in compact form, spiney stems, foliage fine and dense, changing to brilliant red in fall, the clusters of red berries hanging on all winter. Much used for hedge and borders. Considered by many to be the most valuable foreign shrub grown. This Barberry is recommended by the Government. It does not have the wheat rust. 18 to 24 in.. 35c each; \$3.20 per 10; \$30.00 per 100. 12 to 18 in., 30c each; \$2.80 per 10; \$25.00 per 100; 10 to 12 in., 10c each; \$1.00 per 12; \$8.00 per 100.

American Arbor Vitae Evergreen—A native of the North; very hardy and will stand shearing well any time of the year; the most popular for hedges and screens, as it keeps green the year round. 12 to 18 in., 40c each; \$3.50 per 10; \$30.00 per 100. Privet Amoors River North—A valuable shrub for hedges and borders, color glossy green, holds its foliage almost the whole year; will stand trimming to almost any extent; perfectly hardy. 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  ft., 40c each; \$3.00 per 10; \$25.00 per 100. 2 to 3 ft., 30c each; \$2.50 per 10; \$20.00 per 100. 18 to 24 in., 25c each; \$2.00 per 10; \$17.00 per 100. 12 to 14 in., 10c each; \$1.00 per 12; \$8.00 per 100.

Spirea Van Houtii (Bridal Wreath)—Used for tall hedges or screens. Has abundance of small white flowers early in the summer. 2 to 3 ft., 40c each; \$3.50 per 10; 18 to 24 in., 35c each; \$3.00 per 10; \$25.00 per 100. 14 to 20 in., 25c each; \$2.00 per 10; 18.00 per 100; 12 to 14 in., 10c each; \$1.00 per 10; \$8.00 per 100.

Postage— 2 to 3 ft. sizes, 5c each; 15c for 5; 25c for 10. 18 to 24 in. sizes, 5c each; 10c for 5; 20c for 10. 12 to 18 in. sizes, 5c each; 10c for 5; 15c for 10. 12 to 14 in. sizes; 10c for 12 plants



Privet-Hedge and Norway Maples

Why not fix up the Home this spring, now is a good time to start that hedge. The shrubs we list on this page are all hardy and will stand 40 below zero; all they require is a little cultivation the first year, and after that, trimming. Our prices are very reasonable and our stock first-class.

Come to the Nursery and look the plants over.

# SHRUBS



Hydrangias and Lombardy Poplars

In the adornment of the home grounds, hardy shrubbery has come to be recognized as indispensable, and it is a pleasure to be able to offer the quality of stock which will be found listed on the following pages. Its uses are many and varied. To set about the foundations of the house, to grow as hedges, to divide properties, or as screens to hide unsightly objects, to supplement the planting of evergreens or shade trees, shrubbery has its distinctive place. The proper planting of shrubbery about the home adds to its value many times the amount expended.

Althea (Rose of Sharon)—Grows 3 to 4 ft. A free flowering shrub, blooms in August and September; flowers resemble double hollyhocks. Foliage very attractive. Need protection through winter. Colors—white, purple, red and rose. 2 ft., 50c each.

Arrowwood—8 to 12 ft, has bright green heart shaped leaves, which turn to purple and red. Creamy white flowers followed by blue fruits which cling to the branches a long time. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each. 18 to 24 in., 45c each.

Almonds, Double White (Amygdalus Alba)— Grows 3 to 5 ft. White flowers like small roses; blooms early; decorative. 2 to 3 ft., 90c each.

Almonds, Double Pink (Amygdalus Rosea)— Same as above, except flowers pink. 2 to 3 ft., 90c each.

Aralia Spinosa Grows 6 to 8 ft. A strong, rapid growing, rugged shrub, with large decidedly tropical looking leaves. Branches thickly covered with long spines. Flowers appear in large masses; white to yellow. A picturesque plant. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each. Berberis Thunbergi (Japanese Barberry is used extensively, where a good dwarf, bushy hedge is desired. Every branch is thickly studded with short thorns, and it is often purchased on this account. The foliage turns to a brilliant red in September, which is followed in the winter by scarlet berries, which help to make it an attractive shrub the year round. It is not susceptible to wheat rust. 18 to 24 in., 35c each; \$3.20 per 10. 12 to 18 in., 30c each; \$2.80 per 10. See page 15 for 100 lots. (See back for specials).

Crab—(Bechtel's Double Flowering), \$1.00 each. See page 13.

Calycanthus, Sweet Scented—Grows 3 to 5 ft. The wood is fragrant, rich; flowers are chocolate color, having a peculiarly agreeable odor. Blooms in June and at intervals afterwards. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each.

**Cranberry High Bush** (Viburnum Opulus) — Grows 6 to 8 ft. Foliage lustrous green, changing to rich copper; blossoms in May, with clusters of flat-topped white flowers, followed by scarlet berries. 2 to 3 ft., 60c each.

Deutzia Crenata—Double white flowers; blooms in May and June. Attains a height of 2 to 4 ft. 18 to 24 in., 50c each.

Deutzia Lemoine—Grows 3 to 5 ft. Single white flowering, spreading habit, fine branches and leaves; blooms early in the summer. 18 to 24 in. plants, 50c each.

**Deutzia (Pride of Rochester)**—Grows 4 to 6 ft. Blooms early in the spring, with extra large white flowers; one of the hardiest of the Deutzia. 18 to 24 in. plants. 50c each.



Hydrangia Planting

**Dogwood Red** (Cornus Siberica)—Grows 6 to 10 ft. Dark green foliage, pale on the underside; blooms carly in the summer, with clusters of flat-topped creamy white flowers, followed by light bluish fruit; branches are dark red; very attractive shrub. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each. 18 to 24 in., 40c each.

**Dogwood Yellow** (Cornus Lutea) — Grows 4 to 6 ft. A very pretty shrub for winter color effect; bark bright yellow, foliage a pea green. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 45c each.

**Elder Golden** (Sambucus Aurea)—Grows 8 to 10 ft. A variety with golden yellow foliage, vigorous and spreading grower; flowers white in flat-topped clusters, followed by reddish black berries; grows well on any soil; can be pruned into a neat, compact little bush; best of the golden foliage shrubs. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each. Hydrangia Hills of Snow (Arborescens Sterillis)—Grows 3 to 5 ft. A new variety, much like the above, but commences to bloom in July and lasts until frost; flowers borne on long stems, and changing from pure white to green, a rare

variety. 18 to 24 in. plants, 60c each.

Kerria White (Rhodotypos Kerrioides)—Grows 3 to 5 ft. A very ornamental shrub, with bright green foliage, and single flowers in May, followed by conspicuous shining black fruit in the fall. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Kerria Yellow (K. Japonica)—Grows 3 to 4 ft. Foliage deep green and very dense, branches vivid green and particularly showy in winter; flowers bright yellow. A very graceful shrub. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Lilac Common Purple (Syringa Vulgaris)—Grows 6 to 8 ft. One of the best old time garden shrubs; bluish purple flowers. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 45c each.

Hydrangia P. G. (Paniculata Grandiflora)—Grows 3 to 6 ft. This is one of the most valuable hardy shrubs; the flowers are borne in great pinnacles, nearly a foot long, and changing from pure white to rose or bronze in late fall; blooms from August until frosts. 18 to 24 in. plants, 50c each; 2 to 3 ft. plants, 60c each.

Golden Bell (Forsythea Fortunei)—Grows 4 to 6 ft. Has yellow, bell-shaped flower, in racemes, very early in the spring before the leaves are formed; up-right in growth; yellow bark. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Golden Bell Weeping (Forsythea Suspensa)— Similar to above, but has long, drooping branches; very pretty shrub. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each. Lilac White (Syringa Vulgaris Alba)—Same as above, except white bloom. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 45c each.

Lilac Persian—Grows 5 to 6 ft. Light blue flowers, narrow leaves growing on slender branches; finer variety than the above. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.



Barberry and Spirea Van Houtii

Privet Amoor River (Ligustrum Amurense) —Grows 5 to 8 ft. Will stand 50 degrees below zero; valuable shrub for hedges and grouping with other shrubs; upright in growth; foliage, glossy green. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 30c; \$2.50 per 10. 18 to 24 in. plants, 25c each; \$2.00 per 10. 10 to 14 in. plants, 10c each; \$1.00 per 12. (See page 15.)

Quince Japan (Cydonia Japonica)—Grows 3 to 4 ft. Very early; in the spring this shrub is covered with dazzling scarlet flowers, followed by small quince-shaped fruit, which are fragrant; grows bushy and dense, with protecting thorns. 18 to 24 in. plants, 50c each.

**Rose Rugosa** it is fine; the foliage is refined and charming all summer; blossoms large, single, produced throughout the summer, followed by crimson fruits. Very hardy; red flowers. 18 to 24 in. plants, 60c each.

**Snowball (Viburnum Sterilis)**—Grows 6 to 8 ft. The common snowball, which blooms the last of May, with lovely white balls of flowers. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 60c each. Syringa (Mock Orange)—Grows 6 to 8 ft. Vigorous habit, very hardy, with large, handsome foliage, and fragrant white flowers in June. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Syringa Lemoine—Flowers large, semi-double white. Bush of dwarfish habit. One of the best of our dwarf spring flowering shrubs. 2 to 3 ft., 50c.

Snowberry White (Symphoricarpus Racemosus) — Very small rose, colored flowers in June, followed by clusters of milk white berries, which remain far into the winter; very pretty winter shrub. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

**Snowberry Red** (Symphoricarpus Vulgaris)—Grows 3 to 5 ft. Very much like above, but the berries are red and smaller; sometimes called Indian Currant or Coral Berry. 2 to 3 ft. plants. 45c each.

Spirea Ballardii—Grows 4 to 5 ft. Pink flowers, in large spikes; upright in habit, with red brown branches, dull green foliage. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 45c each.

Spirea Van Houtii (Bridal Wreath)—Grows 4 to 6 ft. One of the most beautiful and common shrubs; an immense bloomer. Pure white flowers early in the summer. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 40c each. 18 to 24 in. plants, 35c each. 14 to 20 in. plants, 25c each. 12 to 18 in. plants, \$1.00 per 12. (See page 15.)

Sumac Cut Leaf (Rhus Typhina)—Grows 6 to 10 ft. A very striking plant of moderate size, with deeply cut leaves resembling fern leaves; dark green, turning to rich red in fall; red impressive fruit in fall and winter. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each. Spirea Ballardii Alba—Same as the above, but the bloom is white. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Spirea Collosa Alba—Grows 1 to 2 ft. White flowers in large, flat-topped clusters; blooms most all summer. 12 to 18 in. plants, 45c each.



Shrubs Furnished by Us (2nd year)

Spirea Golden (Opulifolia Aurea)—Grows 5 to 8 ft. Upright habit; white, heavy flower umbels in June; old flowers turn to dark red or brown; young foliage, light yellow, turning to dark red or bronze in fall. 3 to 4 ft. plants, 50c each.

Wiegelia Eva Rathke—Grows 3 to 4 ft. The most distinct and one of the most attractive varieties. Flowers deep carmine red. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 75c each.

Wiegelia Rosea—4 to 6 ft. A tall growing variety, with deep pink flowers in great profusion during June, and at intervals through the summer. 2 to 3 ft., 50c each.

Wiegelia Candida—Flowers pure white and produced in great profusion in June and at intervals throughout the summer. 18 to 24 in., 50c.

**Tamarix African** green foliage; pinkish white blooms in June; very picturesque plant. If cut back each year, will make much nicer foliage. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each. Tamarix Blue (Glauca)—Very much like the African, but the foliage is a delicate misty blue color. 2 to 3 ft. plants, 50c each.

Tree of Heaven (Ailanthus)—10 to 15 ft. More of a tree than a shrub, but when cut back, each year makes a very desirable shrub. Hardy and very rapid grower. Tropical foliage, long, fernlike leaves; good for background of other shrubs. 5 to 6 ft. plants, 75c each.

Spirea Thunbergii—Grows 3 ft. Fine, slender leaves and branches, with its profuse blossoms in May. 12 to 18 in. plants, 50c each.

**Spirea Anthony Waterer**—Grows 2 to 3 ft. Dwarf. Flowers, bright crimson; free bloomer, best late in the summer; flowers in round, flattopped clusters; foliage, light green. 12 to 18 in. plants, 50c each.

Spirea Froebeli— Dwarf, similar to Anthony thony Waterer, but grows a trifle taller with broader leaves. 18 to 24 in., 50c each.

#### **Collection of Shrubs** The shrubs of either of these collections are good for a medium and large size porch, also foundation planting, if you are planning on planting a few shrubs this spring, will pay you to consider one of these collections, as they save you money. The shrubs are all standard No. 1 size. Collection No. 1-Collection No. 2-1 Hydrangia P. G. 2 Spirea V. H. 2 Hydrangia P. G. 4 Spirea V. H. Spirea Frobellia. 2 Coralberry. 2 Spirea Frobellia. 3 Barberry. 1 Honeysuckle Bush. 2 Snowberry. 3 Coral berry. 1 Hills of Snow. 6 Barberry. 11 Shrubs value \$4.65. 20 Shrubs value \$8.35. Special Price **\$7.50** By Express. Special Price **\$4.00** By Express.

ALPHA NURSERY

# Three New Shrubs for 1926 ONE OF EACH FOR \$2.25

One will not find many of the shrubs in plantings in the Mississippi valley as they are entirely new.

ADD AT LEAST ONE OF EACH TO YOUR PLANTING.

Syringa Virginalis— A magnificent new variety of the Mock Orange. Everblooming. The flowers are the largest, handsomest and most sweetly scented of any known variety. \$1.00 each.

Rosia Acacia—Grows 4 to 6 feet. Locust-like leaves and flowers. The flowers are pink and bloom same time as the Bridal Wreath. Very hardy. 2 to 3 ft., 75c each. Hypericum Aureum—Grows 3 to 4 ft. Double yellow flower, July to October. Unusually good foliage, a little hard to transplant, but with pains can be moved all right. A fine low shrub. 2 to 3 ft., 75c each.

# OUR LEADER SHRUBS

Are listed on the back of the catalogue. They are fine plants, of good size, and will sure please you.

# BARGAIN IN GOOD SHRUBS

The following shrubs, we are offering at a bargain, as we have an over production of these kinds, this year, therefore, we are offering them to you at a very low price. The shrubs are Number ONE QUALITY, Large size and are of the grade that is regularly sold for 50 and 60c each.

SPECIAL PRICE-30c each, 4 for \$1.10. Add 5c to each shrub for Postage.

Strawberry Tree (Euonymus Europaeus)—Grows 5 to 7 ft. One of the finest varieties grown; bark, light green; foliage changes to brilliant colors in fall; spreading in growth. A fine shrub. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

Sumac Smooth (Rhus Glabra)—Grows 5 to 8 ft. Beautiful leaves, which color brightly in the fall; flowers in July, followed by crimson or bronze fruit. 3 to 4 ft. plants.

**Aralia Pentephylla**—Grows 4 to 6 ft. Valuable for its excellent heavy, bright green foliage. Small greenish white flowers. Good in rocky or sandy places. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

Honeysuckle Tartarian (Lonicera T.)—Grows 6 to 8 ft. A very attractive, useful shrub, with abundance of fragrant flowers in the spring and bright red fruit in the fall. Somewhat spreading in growth. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

**Pea Tree (Caragana Arborescens)**—Grows 8 to 10 ft. A very pretty dwarf tree or shrub, with yellow pea-shaped flowers in May, foliage in light green; very small and fine. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

Honeysuckle Morowii (Lonicera M.) —Grows 6 to 8 ft. A Japanese variety, blossoms white, changing to yellow; refined foliage; long blooming period, followed by small berries, upright in growth. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

Honeysuckle Fragrant (Lonicera F.)—Grows 4 to 6 ft. A very attractive shrub; foliage very pretty, with slender recurving branches. Flowers fragrant, need protection in winter. 2 to 3 ft. plants.

Hydrangia P. G.— The hardy large flowering type, the bloom turning pink late in the fall, same as the 60c size, but smaller. 12 to 14 inches.

# ROSES

# Three Eskimo Beauties

"The Kind That Grow Where No Others Will"

# Hybrid Rugosa Roses

PINK-WHITE-RED

Hansa (An Eskimo Beauty)—Handsome in bud and bloom. Both are large, very full and double. The color is rich, maroon-red. Belle Poitevine (An Eskimo Beauty)— The blooms are large and full, the petals gracefully in-curved. Bright, clear, lively pink.

# **Eskimo Beauties**

The Roses that grow where no others will. Hybrid Rugosa Roses in which are combined the best qualities of the different rose species.

The Rugosa Rose was introduced from Japan years ago. It is absolutely hardy, with fine, thick, heavy foliage. But the flowers are single.

By crossing the Rugosa Rose with the best of the double, ever-blooming varieties, a new race has been evolved in which are retained the fine, vigorous growth, the extreme hardiness, the abundant and lasting dark green leaves of the Rugosa type, combined with the size and color of the best everblooming roses.



Sir Thomas Lipton (An Eskimo Beauty)— Pure white: no tinge of pink or yellow just pure white. The flowers are very double and borne in graceful clusters.

# **Big Husky Bushes**

Will bloom the first year \$1.00 each 3 for \$2.50 Postage 10c for one-20c for 3

The roses are fine for shrubbery border, foundation planting or the rose garden. Don't pass them by as they are sure fine. Once planted, they are permanent: no pruning, no spraying, no suckering nor anything else is needed—just a little manure spaded in and the ground stirred—and they will last for years and yield an abundance of large, double, fragrant, colorful blooms—the only really good dependable roses for very cold climates. That is why they are called Eskimo Beauties.

# **Eskimo Beauties**

grow, thrive, and bloom anywhere. They are the ideal cold-climate roses. The plants are on their own roots—grown from cuttings—no tender top to die back, no foreign roots to sucker: root and top are the same variety.

Eskimo Beauties—Rugosa Hybrid Roses—are free from mildew, disease and pests that attack other classes of roses.

They will grow in the South and in the Middle West; they will stand the winters of Minnesota and Wisconsin and the Dakotas without protection; in hardiness and vigor, they are kindred of the Fir and Spruce.

# HYBRID PERPETUALS

Our Roses are all hardy field grown bushes; grown here at our Nursery, and will be full of flowers the first year. They are not to be compared with the small potted roses sometimes offered. We grow the varieties most adapted to this climate, all of these varieties went thru the 26 below zero weather safely last winter; with a good protection of leaves.

In our Special Collection, we are offering our most popular varieties, in a good assortment of colors, at a very low price.

Large two-year, field grown bushes. These Roses will bloom the first year. \$4.00 for 6. \$7.50 for 12. Postage 6c for 1, 12c for 6. 75c each

American Beauty A hardy rose, of having the ever-blooming qualities of the tea roses; it is the sweetest of all roses; the color is a deep, brilliant rose, shaded to a rich carmine.

**Baby Rambler**— The original dwarf form of crimson rambler. The wonderful persistency of its bloom makes it one of the choicest plants in cultivation for summer bedding, and as an edging to borders of shrubs, roses or perennials, it has no equal.

Frau Karl Druschki—A pure, paper-white, large sized and free flowering. The bloom is perfect in form on fine, long stems.

Gen. Jacqueminot-One of the most popular of the red roses, brilliant crimson, large bloom, fragrant and hardy.

Gruss an Teplitz—Color a rich scarlet, shading to velvety crimson; very fragrant; a free, strong grower, and the most profuse bloomer known to us, being covered with flowers the whole season. The foliage is extremely beautiful, all the younger growth being a bronzy plum color.

# Four Color Collection-

1 Frau Karl Druschki. 1 Gruss an Teplitz. 1 Paul Neyron. 1 Etoile d Lvon. All for \$2.00. Postage 15c.

# HYBRID TEA ROSES

Killarney Pink-Flowers intensely fragrant, long pointed buds. Color a clear pink, excellent for cutting and a good bloomer. **75c each**.

Killarney White—Pure white form of the above and one of our best bloomers. Very fragrant. 75c. Madam Carolina Testout-Large full rich pink flowers. A good bedding rose, free bloomer. 75c.

June Rose-Double pink, very hardy; makes large bush. Profuse bloomer early in summer. 50c each. This variety of roses makes a vigorous stocky growth and bloom but once a year.

Magna Charta-A general favorite, prized on account of its strong, upright growth and bright, healthy foliage, as well as for its magnificent bloom. The color is a beautiful bright pink.

Paul Neyron—Deep, shining rose, very fresh and pretty. Flowers large, often measuring five inches in diameter. The buds always develop fine, perfect roses.

Prince de Rohan-Very dark, velvety crimson. A prolific bloomer and flowers are of excellent form and size.

Soleil de Or-A fine, hardy out door rose, especially valuable, because of the rare color; gold and orange yellow, varying to ruddy gold, suffused with nasturtium red.

Duchess of Wellington Color saf-from yel-low, excellent for cutting, as the buds are long and flowers lasting. The best of the yellow roses.



Gruss an Teplitz

# **RUGOSA ROSES**

Rugosa, Conrad F, Myer-A cross between rugosa and tea roses, making a very hardy and vigorous grower, with large, double, silvery pink blooms. 75c each.

**Rugosa Rose**—A single red rose, blooming at in-tervals thru the summer. Used more as a shrub. Has dark, rich foliage, oddly wrinkled and remarkably free from insects. Is absolutely hardy and is much used for foundation planting or in the shrubbery border. Flowers are followed by large red berries. 2 to 3 ft., 60c each.

# ROSES

We offer the following two-year field grown everblooming roses, which are the second size. They are of lighter weight than our regular grade, but are nice strong bushes and will bloom the first year.

**35c each** By mail add 5c to each plant.

American Beauty—Deep pink to carmine. Large regular flowers that are very durable, thus making it very desirable for cutting.

Frau Karl Druschki—White American Beauty. Beautiful snow white; very large, full, perfectly formed; superb.

General Jacqueminot (Jack Rose)—Brilliant scarletcrimson; very fragrant and an early bloomer.

**Paul Neyron**—Very large; deep rose; a favorite, the largest flower among Hybrid Perpetual Roses.

Soleil d' Or (Golden Sun)— A new hardy yellow rose. Flowers full and globular; very fragrant.

**Baby Rambler**—The original dwarf form of crimson rambler. The wonderful persistency of its bloom, makes it one of the choicest plants in cultivation for summer bedding, and as an edging to



Frau Karl Druschki

borders of shrubs, roses of perennials, it has no equal.

Killarney Pink—Flowers intensely fragrant, long pointed buds. Color a clear pink, excellent for cutting and a good bloomer.

**Killarney White**—Pure white form of the above, and one of our best bloomers. Very fragrant.

Madam Carolina Testout— Large, full, rich pink flowers. A good bedding rose, free bloomer.

La France—Silvery rose, changing to pink. Exceedingly sweet and handsome. Blooms soon after planting. Etoile de Lyon—Flowers large and full, with broad petals. Color, chrome yellow. Very fragrant. One of the finest.

**Gruss an Teplitz—**Intense depth and richness of color; velvety crimson-red. One of the best dark garden Roses.

#### Climbing Roses: 60c each Large 2 year field grown plants

**Climbing American Beauty**—Much like the bush form of this name, except it has the climbing habit.

**Ercelsa** (Red Dorothy Perkins)—A radiant, are very large and fairly cover the vines. It is best to plant this variety where crimson rambler is not hardy.

**Dorothy Perkins**—Beautiful shell pink, full and double; large size for a cluster rose; it is a hardy, strong grower.

Multiflora Rose—Double, pink; strong grower; very hardy, profuse bloomer. Good where shade is wanted, also where other Roses fail to grow. 45c each.

Thousand Beauties (Tausendschon) —Colors of every imaginable shade, from pure white to deep pink. Almost thornless.

Blue Rambler (Veilhenblau)—The flowers are a violet blue; the buds show some red, but quickly change as they open.

Ercelsa

The Illinois Rose (Rosa Setigera)—Large, single, pink, blossoms in July; beautiful foliage, absolutely hardy. The stem turns red in winter, which together with quantities of crimson fruit, produce a charming winter effect.

**Prairie Queen**—The flowers are very large and of peculiar globular form; bright, rosy red; changing to lighter as the flower opens. Of strong, rapid growth.

Crimson Rambler—It is a vigorous grower; flowers glowing and produced in immense panicles.

Paul's Scarlet Climber—Winner of gold medal as best new climbing Rose, at National Rose Society's Exhibition. Flowers are scarlet, shaded crimson; large, semi-double. Corresponds with Cl. Am. Beauty. Dr. Van Fleet, etc., as to size, shape and habit. Blooms very long, holding in flower after many June bloomers have dropped their petals; a wonderful Rose for trellis or pergolause. Mail 75c; Express 70c.

# VINES

# **CLIMBING VINES**

#### Strong two-year, 35c each

Honeysuckle, Scarlet Trumpet—One of the handsomest in cultivation; coral flowers; very vigorous and hardy; blooming all summer.

Trumpet Vine (Tecoma Radicans)—Handsome, dark green foliage and showy clusters of orange and scarlet flowers during the summer.

Dutchman's Pipe (Sipho) — A strong growing vine, with immense heart-shaped leaves and peculiar pipeshaped flowers. This vine makes a fast, heavy growth, and is fine for the porch or trellis. Hardy. These plants are grafted from a blooming plant therefore are sure to bloom. \$1.00 each.

Bittersweet—A native vine that is especially ornamental in fall and winter, with brilliant orange and scarlet fruit.

Postage on all plants on this page, 6c for 1 to 3 plants; 8c for 3 to 6 plants.

## **CLEMATIS**

Beautiful free flowering vines, with very showy flowers. They are well adapted for training on porches, balconies and trellises. For covering walls, fences and arbors.

Jackmanni The well-known large-flowering blue Clematis. The beautiful flowers, when fully expanded, welvety appearance, distinctly veined. It blooms continually from July, until cut off by frost. Plant is hardy, abundant and successful bloomer. 2 year field grown plants, 75c each; 1 year pot plants, 50c each. The pot plants cannot be shipped until after May 1st, as they are green and growing.

Henryi—This is the finest of all large-flowering white Clematis, and should find a place in every collection. It is not only a vigorous grower, but a remarkably free and continuous bloomer, beginning with the earliest, holding out with the latest. Flowers are large, of beautiful creamy-white, with reddish-chocolate anthers. 2 year, field grown plants, 75c each.

**Panticulata**— The small-flowering, sweet-scented Japan Clematis. One of the most vigorous and beautiful of all climbers. It is a rapid grower and desirable wherever a quick-growing vine is needed, on walls, verandas, fences, etc. In late summer, it produces dense sheets of medium-sized, pure white flowers, of the most pleasing fragrance. Will grow in almost any soil and is entirely free from blight and insects. 2 year field grown plants, 50c each; 1 year pot plants, 25c each. Shipment after May 1st, for the pot plants.



**Chinese Matrimony Vine**—A strong, hardy climbing vine. Bright, rosy-purple flowers, followed by brilliant scarlet berries.

Wisteria (Purple) — One of the finest climbers, of rapid growth, and perfectly hardy, with long, pendulous

Engleman's Ivy-It is one of the finest ivies we have. The

brilliant coloring of the leaves in autumn, together with perfect hardiness, makes it a valuable climber for covering brick or stone walls. Where hardiness is necessary, the Englemani will be found

American Ivy-The well known native vine with

five parted leaves, that change to rich crimson in autumn; berries blue black; very rapid grower

clusters of bluish purple. Flowers in June.

much superior to Boston ivy.

and perfectly hardy.

Paniculata

If you have been having a hard time to start clematis, try our pot plants. They are started in the greenhouse, trained up on stakes, and about May 1st, we ship them to you with the earth on the roots and the vine in leaf, and if the plant is properly taken care of everyone should grow.

ALPHA NURSERY

# PERENNIALS

Perennials have never been so popular as at the present time. Once planted and always there. The great variety of color and the blooming period, which extends from May until frost, makes perenrials very desirable for all forms of planting. We offer a large assortment of one and two years field grown plants. Perennials can be planted from April 1st to May 15th, or about the middle of Septem-ber in the fall. Perennials can be sent by express or parcel post, and should be planted as soon as received.

> If wanted by Parcel Post, add 6c for 1 to 5 plants; 8c for 6 to 10 plants; 10c for 10 to 12 plants. If within 300 miles of our nursery.

Bleeding Heart-Charming hardy perennial plant, with much cut foliage. Pink flowers of interesting structure. One of the choice members of old-fashioned gardens. 50c each; \$5.00 per 12.

Chrysanthemum (hardy)-Will flower successfully in any garden, and will furnish an abundance of bloom in September and October, after all other flowers are gone.

Pink-Flowers borne in great masses, each flower 2 to

2½ in. across. Yellow—Flowers borne in great masses, each flower 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. across.

White-Flowers borne in great masses, each flower 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  in. across. Dwarf variety.

Bronze-Bronze colored flowers, 1 to 11/2 in. across. This one is sure fine.

Bronze Button-A beautiful golden bronze color, flowers 3/4 to 1 in. across, and the plant is literally covered with flowers, (fine). 25c each, 3 for 60c, \$2.00 per 12.



Columbine (Aqulegia) Long Spurred Hybrids-A new form of an old favorite. The graceful spurred flowers on two foot stems are valuable for cutting. Colors range from white and yellow to blue. Bloom in early spring; mixed colors. Good two-year plants, 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.



Canterbury Belle One of the most beautiful of the old-fashioned garden plants, has tall spikes of bell-shaped flowers in June. Our plants are mixed colors this year, therefore we are making a very low price on these big two year plants The colors are pink, blue and white, but we cannot tell them. **20c each; \$2.00 per 12.** 

# **Desmodium** Penduliflora

A very pretty semi-herbaceous shrub, which is overlooked in planting many gardens, it grows 2 to 4 feet, and is literally covered in the fall with long drooping racemes of lavender flowers. Don't pass this shrub by, a's it is fine, you will like it. 50c each.

#### Hardy Garden FLOWERS

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**Delphinium** (Perennial Larkspur)—If we could have but one plant in our garden, it would be one of these. Their greatest charm lies in their stateliness of growth and the beautiful blue of their flowers. Very hardy and easy to grow. Sky blue and dark blue flowers on four foot stems, blooming in July and again in the fall. Light Blue or Dark Blue 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.



Fox Glove (Digitalis)—Stately old-fashioned border plant, growing 3 to 4 ft. high, with handsome thimble-shaped flowers on long spikes; mixed colors. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

Butterfly Bush (Buddleya Variabilis Magnifica)—Often called summer lilac. This shrub from a young plant set out in the spring, will mature to full size the first summer, making a handsome bush. It produces tapering panicles of beautiful lilac colored flowers on long, graceful stems. Strong field grown plants. No. 1 plants, 30c each.

Golden Glow—Hardy clear yellow flowers produced in great quantities on long stems. Resemble golden Cactus Dahlias. Bloom in July and August. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Gallardia (Blanket Flower) — The most glorious of our old-fashioned flowers. Perfectly hardy and will stand much neglect. Blooms continually from June to October. Flowers crimson bordered with orange. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Hibiscus (Meehan's Mallow Marvels)—A magnificent new strain of hardy Mallows, which for size and profusion of bloom, and richness of coloring are among the most striking and beautiful perennials that grow. Flowers 8 to 10 inches in diameter. Bloom in July and August, when flowers are scarce. Separate colors—Red, white, and pink. 35c each. Postage on 1 plant 6c, and add 1c for each additional plant.

Lily of the Valley—Small white flowers, very fragrant. Will grow in shady, cold ground, where grass will not do well. **70c per 12.** 

Lily Day—Yellow, very hardy. Grows 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  ft. 10c each.

Hardy Aster (Novi Belgii)—Plant is dense, bushy, about 30 inches high, with very ornamental fine cut, dark green foliage. Unlike most top blooming sorts, this variety blooms profusely clear up from the ground; delicate pasted pink. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.



**Coreopsis**— A hardy, easily grown perennial, blooming all summer. The daisy like rich, golden yellow flowers on long stems, are unexcelled for cutting. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Hollyhocks—One of the best hardy garden flowers for border or back ground, grow 5 ft. to 7 ft. Double, red, pink, white. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

**Pyrethrum (Painted Daisy)**—A group of graceful free-flowering plants, ranging in color from white to crimson. Bloom practically all summer, but are at their best in June. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

**Poppy Oriental**—For gorgeous coloring, the Oriental Poppies have few rivals among hardy plants. They produce a magnificent effect in the Herbaceous border. Bloom in May and June. 3 to 4 ft. Orange with black center. **25c each**.

Sweet William (Dianthus Barbatus)—The striking colors, pleasing fragrance, and freedom of bloom, make Sweet William a favorite with all lovers of hardy flowers. They are at their best in solid beds or as border for walks or drives. Grow 12 to 18 in. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12. Dark Red.

## Hardy Garden FLOWERS

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Shasta Daisy

Shasta Daisy (Alaska)—A much improved hardy daisy. Flowers large, snow white with yellow center. An excellent cut flower. Good plants 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

**Carnation Hardy**—A new perennial, like the carnation grown in the greenhouse, only a trifle smaller. Very hardy, glowing crimson. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

**Veronica (Speedwell)**—A two-foot border plant, with attractive foliage. Flowers are borne abundantly in July and August on compact spikes. Deep indigo blue color. **20c each; \$2.00 per 12.** 

Sedum— A blooming form of live forever, large flat heads of crimson flowers in August, very showy. 25c each.

Hardy Sweet Pea (Lathyrus) — Showy free flowering hardy perennial of a climbing habit. Good for the lattice covering old stumps, also good for the perennial garden. with a little staking. Continually in bloom. Fine for cutting. Colors pink or white. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

**Gypsophila Paniculata**— (B a b y 's Breath). Good for cutting as well as for borders. Flowers are minute but myriad, pure white, produced in immense fluffy panicles. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

Statice Latifolia (Sea Lavender). Grows 15 to 18 inches high, with tufts or clumps of thick, leathery foliage and immense panicles of delicate blue Forget-me-not flowers. 18 inches or more across. Will last for months as house decoration, if carefully dried. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

## Platycodon Grandiflorum—

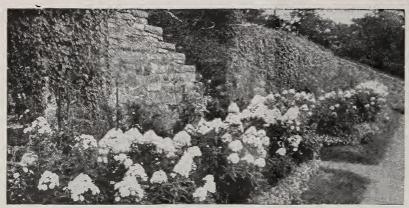
(Balloon Flower). Blooms constantly from July until late in September; flowers large bell-shaped, in numerous loose racemes. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

Yucca Filamentosa—(Adam's Needle or Spanish Bayonet) A stately foliage and flowering plant, always conspicuous. The broad, sword-like foliage is evergreen; supporting a showy display of pendant creamy-white bells. 35c each.



Flower Garden at Nursery.

# Hardy FLOWERS PHLOX IRIS



Hardy Phlox Planting

Rhinelander—One of the newer varieties, salmon pink, with claret red eye flowers and trusses large. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

Ferdinand Cortez—Deep crimson, one of the best Red phlox. Red phlox are very scarce, and we have selected this as the best. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

Australia—This is one of the latest added to line of phloxes. It is reddish purple, or a dark wine red. Flowers are very large and extremely showy. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

Miss Lingard—Pearly white flower, with a very faint pink eye, very remarkable bloomer, producing two to three crops of flowers during the season. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

Hardy Phlox

Beauty and usefulness bring these hardy border plants among those of greatest importance; succeeding in almost any soil or position yet they respond quickly to liberal cultivation. Their flowering season begins in July, and when the old bloom spikes are removed, extends to late fall. The varieties we offer include the most desirable kinds and cover a wide range in color. Postage—1 plant, 5c; 3 plants, 7c; 6 plants, 9c; 12 plants, 12c.

**R. P. Struthers**—Bright rosy red, with claret red eye, a very fine and popular variety. **25c each**; **\$2.50 per 12.** 

Bridesmaid—Pure white with clear carmine eye, blooms in large round heads, very attractive. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

**Ryndstrom**—Beautiful shade of rose pink, very much like the Paul Neyron rose. Flowers very large and showy, a fine variety. **25c each. \$2.50** per 12.

La Vague—Lavender with light center, very best of the lavenders. 20c each; \$2.00 per 12.

Rosenberg—Reddish violet with blood red eye, flowers very large and attractive. 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

# IRIS

When you add to their extreme hardiness and ease of culture, the lavish display of blossoms, it is not surprising that they are highly prized. The charm of a bed of Iris is one of the keenest pleasures in June. Early varieties are always in bloom for Decoration Day. Later varieties prolong the blooming season.

Postage-1 plant, 5c; 3 plants, 7c; 6 plants, 9c; 12 plants, 12c.

# GERMAN IRIS, EARLY

**Caprice**—Rosy red, one of the newer varieties in German Iris. Grows 2 to 3 feet and a good bloomer. **20c each; \$2.00 per 12**.

**Dwarf Blue**—The variety grows 6 to 8 inches tall, the flowers are almost a dark purple, splendid for edging flower beds or walks. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

**Gertrude**—Clear blue. The flowers are borne on tall stems, 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall, three to four flowers to the stem. The foliage grows 1 to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall. **15c each; \$1.50 per 12.** 

Parsiensis—Deep purple. Grows same as above. The flowers are very large and very lasting. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Aurea—Canary Yellow. Bloom a little later than the two above. The flower stems are 2 to 3 feet tall. Plant a very free bloomer. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12. Florentina Alba—Purple white. Flowers are very large; borne on stem 2 to  $2\frac{1}{2}$  feet tall; one of the best of the white. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Siberian Iris—White. Blooms in June, after the German Iris are gone. Foliage is 12 to 14 inches tall; dark green and very thick; the flowers are borne on stems 2 to 3 feet tall, pure white and of medium size. 15c each; \$1.50 per 12.

Japanese Iris—This variety of Iris is the last to bloom. Their blooms come the last of June and in July. They are tall growers and are of dark purple Gold and Mahogany shades. The flowers are extremely large, the largest of all Iris, many times measuring 6 to 8 inches across.

Gold Bound-White with Gold center, very fine and striking. 30c each; \$3.00 per 12.

Mahogany—Beautiful mahogany color, very odd, good bloomer. 30c each; \$3.00 per 12.

**Purple and Gold**—Purple petals with Gold center. This is a fine old standby variety in the Japanese. **30c each; \$3.00 per 12**.

# SPRING BULBS PEONIES and CANNAS



Red King Humbert Canna



Festiva Maxima Peony

CANNAS

## Strong Bulbs, 15c each; \$1.50 per 12

By mail add 4c for 1 to 3 bulbs; 6c for 3 to 6 bulbs; 10c for 6 to 12 bulbs.

Of rapid growth and tropical appearance throughout the summer. They present a mass of gorgeous colors. The following varieties are among the best. Good quality bulbs.

Red King Humbert—<sup>4</sup> ft. Bronze Flowers scarlet color, very large. The best of the bronze leaved varieties.

Eureka-3 ft. Pure white flowers; free bloomer.

Yellow King Humbert—<sup>4</sup> ft. Has yellow flowers, softly spotted with bright red. Green leaves.

Shenandoah 3½ ft. Very compact, al-most dwarf. Leaves bluish green; flowers very large; color pale pink with satin sheen.

Florence Vaughn-41/2 ft. Green foliage. Flowers rich golden yellow, spotted with bright red. Extra good bloomer.

## PEONIES

Strong 3 year roots. Postage 6c on 1 plant and add 1c for each additional plant.

The most popular of hardy plants. The flowers are very large and attractive; hardy as an oak; once planted they will take care of themselves. The following list are all good, double flowering varieties:

Lucretia—Buds light pink, changing to white as flowers open; extra good grower and bloomer. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12.

Festiva Maxima Immense blooms, double, pure white, delicate tinge of cream in center and usually a few small flakes of crimson. The most popular peony grown. In great demand for cut bloom. An ideal white. **30c each**.

Floral Treasure-Delicate Shell Pink; rose type; fragrant; mid-season; blooms freely. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12.

Mrs. Cleveland- good bloomer. pink. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12.

Delicatessima-A Dark Pink, very double; Best for Decoration Day. 50c each.

Rose Fragrant—Light Red, very frag-rant, late. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12.

Fletcher-Delicate rose; very large and full. 40c each; \$4.00 per 12. Special Collection

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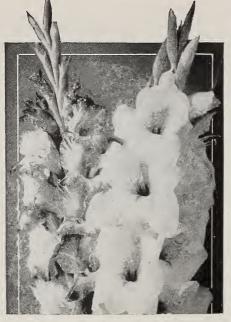
Add 10c for Postage.

### **Extra Fine Peonies**

Officinalis Rubra-Large, globular bloom; brilliant crimson; this is the early flowering red peony so common to the old time gardens; much used on memorial day when other peonies bloom too late. 75c each. Felix Crouse-Late, large round heads perfectly double; deep crimson. marked with cardinal at base of petals. 75c each.

Mons. Jules Elie— This is one of the choice varieties. Early bloomer. Pale rose in color, the flowers are extremely large, resembling chrysanthemums. \$1.25 each.

# SPRING BULBS



# GLADIOLIS

#### 10c each. Good bulbs

Postage 4c per 1 to 3 bulbs; 6c for 3 to 8 bulbs; 8c for 8 to 12 bulbs.

Should be planted about the first week in May. We offer some of the best varieties—strong bulbs. America—Beautiful, soft flesh-pink; faintly tinged with lavender. 12 for 40c.

with lavender. 12 for 40c. Baron Hulot—Rich, deep indigo blue. Besides being the only blue Gladiolus known, it is a really very fine sort. 12 for 75c.

War—Considered by many the best commercial blood-red to date. Its flowers are of immense size in long spikes, and borne freely. Late. 12 for 60c. Schwaben—One of the old favorites; pure canary yellow, shading to soft sulphur yellow; a sturdy grower. 12 for 50c.

Mrs. Francis King—Brilliant Vermillion scarlet. A popular and effective variety for all occasions. Large size. 12 for 60c.

Chicago White—White with lavender marking in throat. One of the earliest varieties to bloom. 12 for 50c.

Panama—Clear pink, large flowers set well on stem. looms immense in size. 12 for 60c. Fmpress of India Very dark velvety

Empress of India—Very dark velvety you will like it. 12 for \$1.00.

Mixture of named varieties, 12 for 65c.

Standard Mixture—Good varieties mixed. Recommended to those who desire good flowers without especial reference to color effect. Good size bulbs. 50c per 12.

## DAHLIAS Strong bulbs; 20c each; \$2.00 per 12

Postage, 4c for 1 to 3 bulbs; 6c for 3 to 8 bulbs; 8c, 8 to 12 bulbs. Our bulbs bloomed extra fine last fall.



Electric (Show)—Tall growing, bright yellow, very heavy bloomer; fine variety.

**Caecelia (Paeony)**—Cream to white, large semidouble variety, measuring five to seven inches across.

Delice (Decorative)—A wonderful pink shade, good bloomer, flowers large.

Storm King (Show)—White, very large, fine bloomer, has a slight tinge of pink.

Zulu (Decorative)-Dark velvety red, very fine and a heavy bloomer.

# CACTUS DAHLIAS

Most graceful and artistic of the Dahlias is the Cactus type, which strongly resembles the Chrysanthemum, having long, narrow, pointed florets, with the margins folded or even quilled back.

**Countess of Lonsdale**—Pleasing blending of salmon-pink and amber; flowers large; long and freeblooming. This is fine. **35c each.** 

Hogan Red—Intense coral-red, deeper at center; large flowers, with long, narrow petals. 25c each. Libelle (Cactus)—Lavender, large bloom, with pointed petals. 25c each.

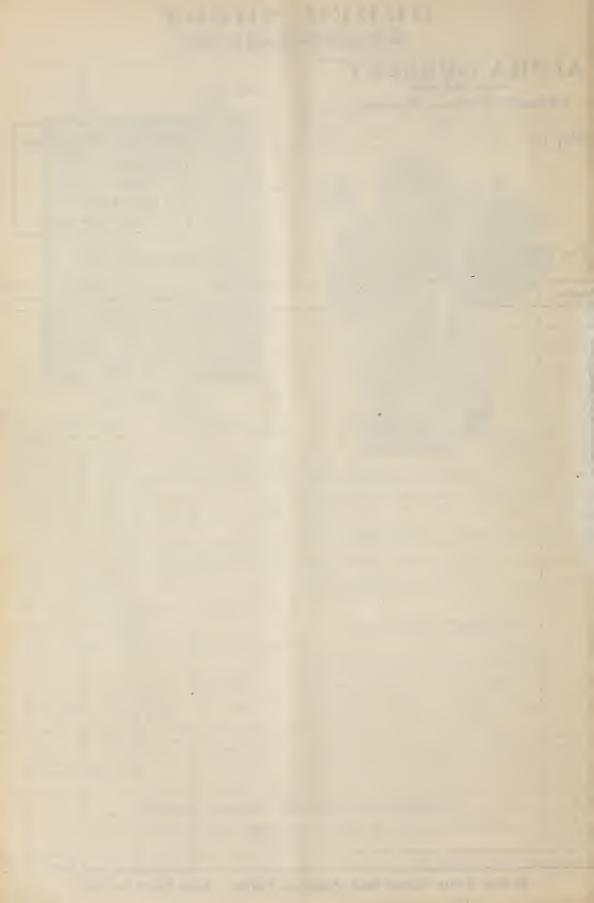
# Grand Garden Mixture of Gladiolis

A mixture of all the good varieties, and will give a big assortment of flowers. TRY IT. 50 bulbs for \$1.00. Postage 10c.

ALPHA NURSERY

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# Alpha Greenhouse

We will have a big assortment of summer bedding plants, blooming house plants, vines and plants for porch boxes and hanging baskets. All at rock bottom prices for the high quality stock.

For POSTAGE add 10% to the amount of the bill, in this department, within a radius of 300 miles.

## Plants

Our plants are grown with lots of room and started early so that we will have big plants for our customers. Mail your orders early as we always give a little extra for early orders.

	Size	Each	Per Doz.
Ageratum (blue)		10c	\$1.00
Asters (lavender) Seedlings		100	.35
Asters (pink) Seedlings			.35
Asters (white) Seedlings			.35
Plumosa Fern		15	1.50
Plumosa Fern		25	2.50
Springerii Fern	, -	15	1.50
Springerii Fern		35	3.50
Carnations (red		15	1.50
Carnations (pink)		15	1.50
Carnations (white)		15	1.50
Begonia (Supreme)		35	3.50
Begonia (Lucerna)		30	3.00
Begonia (Lucerna)		50	5.00
For-get-me-not		10	1.00
Heliotrope		15	1.50
Geraniums (red)		10	1.00
Geraniums (red)		20	2.00
Geraniums (pink)		25	2.50
Geraniums (white)	4	20	2.00
Martha W. Ger		30	3.00
Petunias (giant double)		15	1.50
Petunias (single)		10	1.00
Petunias (Rosy Morn)	21⁄4	10	1.00
Salvia		10	1.00
Verbenias (all colors)		10	1.00
Vinca Vines		10	1.00
Vinca Vines		15	1.50

## Cannas

King Hnmbert (Red) Yellow Humbert F. Vaughn (Yellow) Eureka (White) Hungaria (Pink)

31/2 in. pots 25c each; \$2.50 per 12.

# **Pansy Plants**

Thousands of the giant flowering kinds, **25c per 12.** Add 5c per 12 for postage.

# SPECIAL BARGAIN Coleus (Foliage Plants)

We have one of the finest and largest assortments for miles around, and at rock bottom prices.

> 5c each—50c per 12 10c each—75c per 12

# **Vegetable Plants**

Cabbage, early or late	10c	per	12
Tomato, Earliana	10c	per	12
Tomato, Ponderosa			
Tomato, Stone	10c	per	12
Tomato, Tree	15c	per	12
Large ones in pots, each			.5c
Cauliflower	20c	per	12
Pepper, sweet			
Egg Plants		per	12
Celery (self-bleaching)		per	12
\$1.00 per 100		-	

#### Blue Grass Seed \$.45 per lb.

Sow one pound for three square rods. This is the best lawn grass seed. Sow in April and rake in well. Postage 6c for 1 lb. Add 1c for each extra lb.

Alpha, Ill.

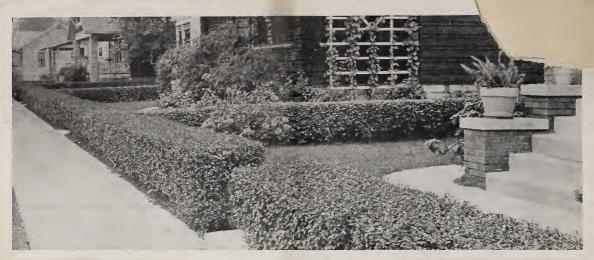
# Garden and Flower Seeds

We have a fine collection of the best varieties of seeds, which are listed on a separate sheet. If you did not receive the sheet, send for it.

We have lots of plants that are not listed on this page. Come to the Greenhouse and look them over. You are always welcome. During the summer we have large patches of Glads, Cannas, and Dahlias. We are always glad to show you around.

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Hardy Privet Hedge

# Special Shrubs Bulbs

Barberry Thunbergeii-For hedges or foun-dation planting. 10 to 12 in., 10c each; \$1.00 per 12.

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Privet Amoor River-For hedges and screens, can be trimmed to any height.

12 to 14 in., 10c each; \$1.00 per 12, 12 to 18 in., 15c each; \$1.50 per 12. Postage 10c per 12.

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35c each

Postage 5c each

Good roses cheap. American Beauty Baby Rambler Frau Karl Druschki Killarney Pink Gen. Jacqueminot Killarney White Paul Neyron Mme. Carolia Testout Soliel D Or. La France Soliel D Or La France Gruss an Teplitz Etoile de Lyo See page 21 for descriptions.

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