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ALLEN'S 1909 CATALOGUE



OUR PACKING HOUSE, WHERE UPWARDS OF 200,000 PLANTS ARE PACKED AND SHIPPED DAILY DURING MARCH AND APRIL—TWO STORIES 30x48—BASEMENT—MOSS PIT AT LEFT HOLDS 1 CAR LOAD OF MOSS DAMPENED & REQUIRED

OUR SEED HOUSE—TWO STORIES & BASEMENT 28x60— FILLED WITH MOISTURE PROOF AND MOUSE PROOF DRAWERS & BINS

CHOICEST
STRAWBERRY PLANTS
 AND OTHER
SMALL FRUITS
 VEGETABLE SEEDS ETC

W. F. ALLEN,
SALISBURY, MARYLAND.

ENGRAVED BY A. BLANC, PHILADA

Nineteen Hundred and Nine

REDUCTION
AND DISCOUNT.



OR the twenty-fourth time I am handing you my Spring Catalogue, and in doing so we begin another chapter in life's history. Let us work with all of our might to make this chapter of 1909 more interesting than any that has preceded it; and we must not lose sight of the fact that to be the most interesting to

YOU and ME it must be the most successful; and with that end in view I extend to you the right hand of fellowship, and promise to do everything in my power to make it such.

Notwithstanding we have had a very dry summer, which has extended over a greater part of the country and cut short the usual supply of plants, I am pleased to be able to report that, with persistent cultivation, liberal fertilization and a somewhat increased acreage, my stock of plants will compare very favorably with that of last season in both quality and quantity. I am short on some few varieties, but of nearly all of the standard sorts (the money-makers) I have a good, substantial supply, and also of most of the most promising new ones. My facilities for serving you were never better. I use the lightest packages consistent with safe carriage, and I use the best grade of Jersey moss, which is the cleanest and best to be had. This is bought by the carload and

placed under cover where it is kept in the night, neither too wet nor too dry. This makes light packing, less express charges, and insures your plants to arrive in much better condition than when they are shipped in moss is used. The past season I have succeeded in pleasing ninety-nine out of every hundred customers, and I am going to try hard this year to please the hundredth one. I have the goods and am ready to serve you to the best of my ability, and while I do not claim that I can absolutely please everybody, I do believe I can come as near it as anybody in this business. May I have your orders for 1909?

Before closing I want to thank everybody who so kindly favored me with their orders last year. It is gratifying to be able to say that 1908 was far ahead of any previous year in the sales of plants, seeds, etc., and with your help and continued patronage, which I shall strive hard to merit, I expect to advance another step up the ladder of progress during 1909. It is my earnest wish that each of the 50,000 persons who receive this catalogue may have a prosperous year.

Thanking you all most sincerely for past favors, and anticipating with much pleasure that I may soon be permitted to serve you again I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

PLEASE READ THIS TWICE

I want your order for strawberry plants, but I want it at the right time, when I know that I can serve you equally as well as anyone, and better than a great majority in the business. When is the right time? Any time after November 1st until May 1st. March and April, the great planting season, almost our entire attention and that of over a hundred employees is given up to filling plant orders, and we want to fill yours.

From May 1st to May 10th we will fill a limited number of orders on any stock that is unsold and put in the very best possible order, but at purchaser's risk as to results.

After May 10th—during June, July, August, September, and October before the 15th—we most positively will not fill any orders for small-fruit plants. (This does not apply to vegetable plants.)

We are willing to answer any questions during the summer months as promptly as possible, if written in a short letter and to the point. Long letters are subject to long delays. This notice was made necessary from the fact that we receive hundreds of orders for strawberry plants during the summer months when we have no plants in fit condition to transplant, and when not one in ten could make even good plants grow if we could send them, unless it were potted plants, which we do not grow at all. Thanking you for your attention, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

W. F. ALLEN,
Salisbury, Md.



PRIVET (For Hedging).

CALIFORNIA PRIVET.—I have an excellent stock of one-year-old California Privet. It is strong, healthy and well-rooted, just the right size to plant for best results; makes beautiful, ornamental hedge, 15 to 18 inch, heavy rooted; \$1.50 per 100; \$12.50 per 1,000. No extra charge for boxing.

AMOR RIVER PRIVET.—The Amor River Privet has a dense, broad, bushy habit, but is more growing, produces the same pretty flower-clusters, and best of all, is evergreen in all except the coldest climates and highest altitudes. For more than 30 years it has been cultivated extensively, holding its own against all rivals as the most beautiful and hardy evergreen hedge plant. It has stood 20 degrees below zero weather in the higher Alleghanies, and this, together with the fact that it is equally successful in Southern Florida, proves that it can endure extremes of both

heat and cold. It grows fast either in sun or shade, bears clipping back to a compact, glossy, solid surface, and shearing into fantastic shapes, arches, pillars, etc. No other hedge plant except the boxwood can compare with it for rich, all-the-year-round beauty. It has been difficult to supply the demand for this privet, and I am able to offer it for the first time this spring. Price, 15 to 20 inches, one year, heavy rooted, \$2.00 per 100; \$17.50 per M.

SPIREA.

SPIREA VAN HOUTII.—The great clusters of single white flowers follow the curves of the slender branches closely, weighting them down to the ground. A beautiful shrub. I have an elegant stock of strong, well-rooted plants at 25c. each, or \$2.00 per dozen.

Important Announcement

ORDERS should be sent in just as soon as possible after receiving this catalogue. It is better for you as well as the nurseryman.

TIME OF SHIPMENT.—From the time you receive this catalogue to May 1st. By far the larger part of our shipments are made during March and April. Bermuda, Cuba, Florida, California and other similarly located sections are supplied anytime during the fall and winter after October 20th.

GUARANTEE.—I guarantee plants ordered by mail or express to reach customers in good condition when promptly taken from the express office and opened at once.

CLAIMS, IF ANY, MUST BE MADE ON RECEIPT OF GOODS. I CANNOT BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR STOCK THAT IS ALLOWED TO LAY AROUND YOUR STATION OR EXPRESS OFFICE, FOR NEGLECT OF PURCHASER OR HIS EMPLOYEES TO CARE FOR STOCK AFTER IT HAS BEEN RECEIVED, OR FOR MISFORTUNES PERPETRATED BY DROUGHT, FLOODS, FROSTS, INSECTS, ETC. THESE THINGS ARE ENTIRELY BEYOND MY CONTROL. IT WOULD SEEM UNNECESSARY TO MENTION THE ABOVE BUT THERE SEEMS TO BE AN OCCASIONAL "FREAK" WHO ORDERS PLANTS WHO THINKS THAT I SHOULD BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN MISMANAGEMENT, FOR ALL UNFAVORABLE CONDITIONS OF THE WEATHER AND FOR ALL THE INSECTS THEY HAPPEN TO BE HARBORING ON THEIR PREMISES. I WISH TO SAY, HOWEVER, THAT WHEN THERE IS A JUST CLAIM PROMPTLY REPORTED, I ALWAYS TRY TO MAKE IT RIGHT WITH THE CUSTOMER.

AT PURCHASER'S RISK.—Plants shipped by freight will be at purchaser's risk, and all small fruit plants shipped after May 1st will be packed and shipped in best condition possible but always at purchaser's risk.

PACKING.—I make no charge for boxing or packing at rates quoted in this catalogue. Everything is delivered f. o. b. trains at rates named. We do not charge one price for the plants and then extortion on our customers by charging them a big price on old boxes and barrels. In buying plants I have had very satisfactory prices quoted, and when the bill came there was quite a nice little profit charged up for packing, boxes, etc. When we go to our grocer and buy a barrel of flour for \$5.00 we do not expect to pay an additional 25 cents for the barrel, and if we buy two pounds of sugar for 10 cents, we do not expect to pay 2 cents more for wrapping it up, and if such charges were made we would not go back to that grocer. The principle is the same when we are charged for the package in which our plants are packed. Our price includes the packing and the package.

TWENTY-FIVE'S.—All plants are tied twenty-five in a bundle.

PAYMENT.—Invariably cash in advance. It is my desire that all customers should have the very best of success and strange as it may seem plants that are not paid for seldom do well.

REMIT by Money Order, Registered Letter or Bank Draft, Postage Stamps will be accepted for the fractional parts of a dollar, the larger denominations preferred. Foreign customers will please send Money Order on Salisbury Maryland, or Bank Draft payable in New York.

TRUE TO NAME.—While I use every precaution to have all PLANTS, SEEDS, etc., true to name (and I believe we come as near doing this as anyone in the business) I will not be responsible for any sum greater than the cost of the stock should any prove otherwise than as represented.

THIS PARAGRAPH.—And now that you have come to this paragraph, should you happen to be in a liberal frame of mind and desirous of doing something to benefit your fellow man, send me the address of a few of your friends and neighbors who plant largely of small fruits and vegetables for market.

I felt that you would! Thank you.

MY 1907 PRIZE OFFER.

In my 1907 catalogue I offered \$100.00 for 12 plants of any new variety of strawberry that would surpass the Chesapeake; \$100.00 for 12 plants that would surpass the Virginia and \$100.00 for 12 plants that would surpass the Good Luck. The list of plants that was sent for these competitions was not large and I am sorry to say that not one of them equaled the variety contested. While I knew the varieties were hard to beat I was in hopes it could be done and thus advance another step in the improvement of this THE QUEEN OF ALL FRUITS, but as there were no prize winners all plants sent in competition for this prize have been destroyed as agreed.

MY 1908 PRIZE OFFER.

The responses to this offer have been very liberal, there being more than twice as many entries as there was for our 1907 offer. The plants sent for our 1908 offer are generally with few exceptions looking very good and as these offers are made for the best new unintroduced variety sent, some one will surely win \$200.00 first prize and \$100.00 second prize next June. The winners will be notified as soon as decisions are made and announcements will be published in next annual catalogue.

NO 1909 PRIZE OFFERS.

I shall offer no prizes for new plants sent this season (1909), but will prepare a trial bed and anyone who wishes me to test any new unintroduced varieties of strawberries, blackberries, dewberries, raspberries, currants or gooseberries can send me 12 plants and I will plant them and give them a fair test, the plants to remain your property to be destroyed or disposed of according to your wishes. You need have no hesitation in sending anything for trial, as POSITIVELY NO PLANTS THUS SENT WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE PLACE ON ANY TERMS EXCEPT BY ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE SENDER OR BY HIS ORDERS.

Yours faithfully,

W. F. ALLEN.

After Reading the Strawberry Descriptions

I BEG YOUR ATTENTION LONG ENOUGH TO READ THE FOLLOWING:

You will no doubt say that my descriptions read very much as if they were flavored with the same extract and that a Compound of adjectives in the superlative degree.

I know that the catalogue writer is severely criticised at the Farmer's Institutes, Horticultural meetings and elsewhere, and in some cases, no doubt, justly so, but did you ever ask the Critic if he could write a better catalogue than the one he is criticizing, did you ever stop to consider that if he could, he would be able to command a salary considerably in advance of what he is earning at present. Now as to the strawberry descriptions contained in this pamphlet, there are no doubt a great many superlative adjectives used, and practically all these varieties have proven the best, the largest, the most productive, the best flavored, the firmest, the earliest or the latest, as the case may be, with some one. Some one of them will prove the best with you, but not all of them, and the one that proves to be your best will most likely not be the best for your neighbor, and the one that does the best for me may not be a favorite of either you or your neighbor. There are so many things to be considered; Mr. A. may have a low black, loamy soil, Mr. B. a medium clay soil and Mr. C. a light sandy soil. Mr. A. may be growing for a local market where large size and good quality are the most essential features, Mr. B. may be growing for a distant market where firmness and keeping qualities count for more than large size and good quality, while Mr. C. may be growing for the home table only, and with him quality is the most desirable feature. All three may be growing for the same purpose and yet the same berry would most likely not be the best for each of them on their different soils. Almost every grower has a different mode of culture. As to what variety will do best for you must in a large measure be determined by yourself. I do not want you to think for a moment that I guarantee the description, either those that I give myself or those I quote from other growers, to always fit the varieties as you will find them, because a change of location, a change of soil or a change in cultivation and fertilization makes so much difference and has such a different effect on the different varieties, that to do so would be impossible. The descriptions given are to help you all we can to select what would suit you best. The information given is the best I can get from my own observation and that of other experienced growers, and it is the same that determines my own operations. No variety is a best with every one, and almost every variety is best somewhere with some one. This is why we carry such a long list. Were I growing for fruit only I should not plant over six to eight varieties except in my test plot. Every progressive grower should set apart a row or two in his patch every year and plant 12 to 25 plants each of several kinds that you have not already fruited. You will find it very interesting, and you are likely to find something that just suits you for larger plantings. Several collections have been

arranged for those who wish to do some experimenting on their own account, and I venture to say that no one who does so will ever regret it.

Now friends I have tried to be candid and square with you and I hope you approve of my course. If so, I should appreciate very much to do business with you and supply your wants in my line. Those who have been dealing with me know what kind of plants I send out, and you who have not dealt with me, I want you to give me your order this year and let me prove to you that no better plants are to be had anywhere at any price. I shall not expect you to continue to buy from me unless I can show you that it is to your interest to do so. Try it and see for yourself if we are not mutually benefited.

With best wishes and many thanks to those who have given me such liberal patronage in the past, and especially, for the large increase in business given me last year, and promising you that I will always try to merit your confidence and good will, I remain,


Yours very truly,
W. F. ALLEN.

MARYLAND

STATE HORTICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

DEPARTMENTS OF ENTOMOLOGY AND VEGETABLE PATHOLOGY.

RAFFLES AGRICULTURAL COURSE AND EXPERIMENT STATION



R. W. SILVESTER,
PRESIDENT

F. B. SYMONS,
STATE ENTOMOLOGIST

PROF. J. D. S. HORTON,
STATE PATHOLOGIST

CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION.

No. *1*

To Whom It May Concern:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That on the *3* day of *September* 190*7* I examined the Nursery Stock of *W. F. Allen* growing in *12* nurseries at *Salisbury* County of *Wicomico* State of Maryland, in accordance with the laws of Maryland, 1838, Chapter 280, Section 58, and that said nurseries and premises are apparently free, so far as can be determined by inspection, from the San Jose Scale, Peach Yellow, Pear Blight and other dangerously injurious insect pests and plant diseases.

This certificate is valid after *August 1st* 190*7* and does not include nursery stock not grown within this State, unless such stock is previously covered by certificate and accepted by the State Entomologist and State Pathologist.

COLLEGE PARK Md., *Sept. 10 1907*

Thomas D. Symons State Entomologist

J. D. S. Horton State Pathologist

NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUIRED TO SET AN ACRE OF GROUND AT A GIVEN DISTANCE.

Rows	24 inches apart,	plants	12 inches in row,	
24	"	"	"	21,780
"	30	"	12	17,424
"	36	"	12	14,520
"	42	"	12	12,440
"	48	"	12	10,890
"	24	"	15	17,424
"	30	"	15	13,980
"	36	"	15	11,616
"	42	"	15	9,950
"	48	"	15	8,712
"	24	"	18	14,520
"	30	"	18	11,610
"	36	"	18	9,680
"	42	"	18	8,287
"	48	"	18	7,260
"	24	"	24	10,890
"	30	"	24	8,712
"	36	"	24	7,260
"	42	"	24	6,228
"	48	"	24	5,445
"	24	"	30	8,712
"	30	"	30	6,860
"	36	"	30	5,808
"	42	"	30	4,976
"	48	"	30	4,856

JIM DUMAS.—This new variety hails from Arkansas, and has made a splendid showing here so far as plant growth, health and vigor of plants are concerned. As I have not seen this variety in fruit, I shall have to be content this season with quoting from the introducer. He describes it as follows: "This splendid variety I believe is destined to achieve as great a success as the Excelsior and become famous all over the country. The plants have strong, healthy foliage and very stiff, long roots. It is a good plant-maker and has never shown any signs of rust or blight. The berries are large and perfect in form, running from 30 to 40 to the quart. I have fruited it on clay land, sand and low land, and it has done well under all conditions. The berries ripen nearly as early as the Excelsior, and will average twice as large. Unlike most very large kind, it is a good yielder. Flesh is red all the way through and of good flavor. I have tested many varieties, and the Jim Dumas excels them all. I have been looking for a long time for an ideal market strawberry, and I think you will find it in this variety. I consider it the best early strawberry ever introduced, and in saying this I do not except the H. and H., which I sold the Fruitgrowers' Association of Judsonia under contract for \$1,500.00."

This is certainly a very strong testimony, and I advise it for trial.

MASCOT.—This is a new variety that was sold in adjoining towns on the Peninsula last spring by a party from Virginia who claims to be the originator. He claims this variety to be as large and more productive than the Gandy, starting to ripen a week earlier and continuing a week later. I did not get to talk with the party personally, as I understand he did not wish to sell me any plants, presuming, I suppose, that it would give him opposition later. A customer of mine, however, bought some plants and let me have a part of them, which gives me a very good stock. I can say as to plant growth it has made a very good showing and looks favorable. I understand also that this party sent a crate of berries to Fruitland, a village near here, that those who bought plants might see the fruit, and from what I can understand they were well pleased with it. As stated above, I am well impressed with the growth of plants, but can give no further information. I therefore offer the plants for what they are. My opinion is that it is well worth a trial. I shall plant quite a few myself, and next season I will be able to give more definite information about this variety.



THEY WILL STAND COMPARISON WITH PEDIGREE STOCK EVERY TIME.

Middlesex Co., Conn., May 18, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I wish to return my thanks for your prompt and faithful service to me, and each year am learning how much better off I am by dealing with you, both in buying seeds and strawberry plants. One year ago I had nearly decided to buy pedigree plants altogether, but as I always did like fair play, decided to have a game of hide and seek, so I sent you an order and Mr. ——— one. Yours arrived one day ahead of the pedigree plants. I compared the two lots. Yours seemed to me like taking the prize, they looked so fine, and up to this date they are all I could ask for or even wish. If you could look at your plants today and see how beautiful they looked loaded down with large blossoms, you would smile with me for the bright prospect. The plants speak louder than words. In the game of hide and seek you have caught my trade, while pedigree plants are lost in silence.
 Yours faithfully, MRS. ELLA MOTT.

PACKING UNSURPASSED.
 Norfolk Co., Va., Nov. 4, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—The plants that you shipped me arrived in fine condition. They were all nice strong plants, and the packing could not have been improved. Thanking you for sending such nice plants, packed with such care, I remain,
 Yours very truly,
 J. H. BIDGOOD.

WE ARE ADVERTISED BY OUR FRIENDS.
 Sonoma County, California.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I recommend your stock to buyers and say they came nicely packed in moss in good shape.
 Yours truly,
 B. S. KENNEDY.

FINEST PLANTS AND FINEST BERRIES.
 Summers Co., W. Va., Sept. 30, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I received the Strawberry Plants in perfect shape; thought they were the finest plant I ever saw. Have marketed the finest berries that ever were hauled to the town of Hinton.
 Yours respt.,
 JAS. F. MEADOWS.



CARDINAL.—After growing this variety another season my observation confirms my previous good opinion of the Cardinal. It is very vigorous and productive and exceptionally firm and handsome. It is strictly a business berry; the quality is not fine, but it looks so well, yields so well and sells so well and so easy grown, it is one of the most profitable varieties to grow. The berries average large and are bluntly conical with a bright green cap that holds up remarkably after shipping. It possesses the solidity of the old Wilson, united with the vigor of plant, prolific yield and brightness of color of the famous Crescent, while the berries are larger, much larger, than either of them. Season from medium to quite late. One grower remarked that it gets right down to business at once and keeps at it all the time. A New York customer says: "The Cardinal is a valuable berry here, good color and productive. The plants are hardy and vigorous, and I like it." Another customer in Ohio writes: "Good in plant growth and of wonderful yield. Altogether we consider this a very valuable berry."

DICKIE.—This is a Yankee variety, being originated by Mr. J. D. Gowing, of Massachusetts, who originated the Sample. Mr. Gowing considers the Dickie a very fancy berry, and says that it sold for more than the Sample in the Boston market out of the same field. Mr. Gowing has been a strawberry grower for 40 years and has grown many strawberry varieties, but says he has seen nothing finer in the berry line in his life. Last year it commenced to ripen in Massachusetts the middle of June and continued to July 15th. Mr. Gowing is very enthusiastic over this berry, but it remains to be seen whether or not it gives the satisfaction the Sample has generally done. My impression is that it will not, although it is an excellent berry, making exceedingly large, strong and vigorous plants. The eating quality is excellent and the berries are very large; it is also very productive, and Mr. Platt, who introduced this berry last spring, gave this invitation: "Come and see the Dickie fruiting next summer on Mr. Gowing's farm; it will pay you, even if you have to come all the way on snowshoes." It is indeed a fine growing variety, and I think most growers will be pleased with it, especially those who grow for home use or local market.

GOLDEN GATE.—This variety was produced by Mr. S. H. Warren, of Massachusetts, who is one of the oldest and most experienced growers in New England. He is a good judge of strawberries, and was largely instrumental in bringing the Marshall before the public. The Golden Gate is a strong grower with numerous plants and luxuriant foliage. It has a strong, staminate blossom with lots of pollen, which produces strictly fancy, large fruit, clear to the end of the season. It has a rich, crimson color with no green tips; it blossoms early and late, making it a good pollinizer for pistillate varieties. It was awarded first prize at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1904, and was highly praised by all who saw it. The judges pronounced the quality much like Marshall. In June, 1906, this variety won \$23.00 in prizes on seven quarts before the same Society, and Mr. Warren sold over \$75.00 worth of plants in five

minutes after the premium cards had been placed on the baskets. In one instance seven berries filled a quart, and lots of them had only ten in a quart. Season early to late. It is a good plant and one that I predict to give general satisfaction.

KIND WORDS OF APPRECIATION FROM OUR CUSTOMERS.

Or unsolicited testimonials. It does not matter which you call them. I like to get them, I like to read them, and like to have others read them. I never ask for them, but try hard to merit all the good things they say about my plants and my business methods. I print them because they are too good to hide or to fill the waste basket. I would like to print them all, but the book is not big enough.

Do I get any kicks? Well, I guess so. Had one yesterday from a party in Florida who telegraphed his order. He got his plants all right and they were fine, but he bids me farewell and says I am not a gentleman because I refused to pay \$1.60 for his telegram he sent collect, when it had just as well come by mail. A doctor in Delaware gets hot under the collar. He bought Dewberry plants last spring; asked me to wait on him until August. Knowing him to be worth from \$15,000 to \$20,000, I consented. He got his plants in good condition—he wrote and said so. His tenants neglected the plants and let them die, now he blames me. Plants still unpaid for (for some unaccountable reason (?) plants bought on credit are very stubborn about growing for some people—too bad!). A railroad agent in Pennsylvania ordered \$2.00 worth of plants to be shipped this fall. After the plants are shipped I received notice from him to hold his order and ship next spring. Well, could I? He thinks so, and writes four pages of foolscap paper to tell me I am a liar. Reading this kind of correspondence is not as pleasant as getting a letter from your best girl, but when your conscience is clear and you get about a hundred really appreciative letters like those printed in this catalogue, it makes life worth living after all. My experience is that a large majority of my customers are honest, square people and it is a real pleasure to do business with them, and it does not lessen the pleasure any to read and publish all I can of their letters of appreciation or testimonials.



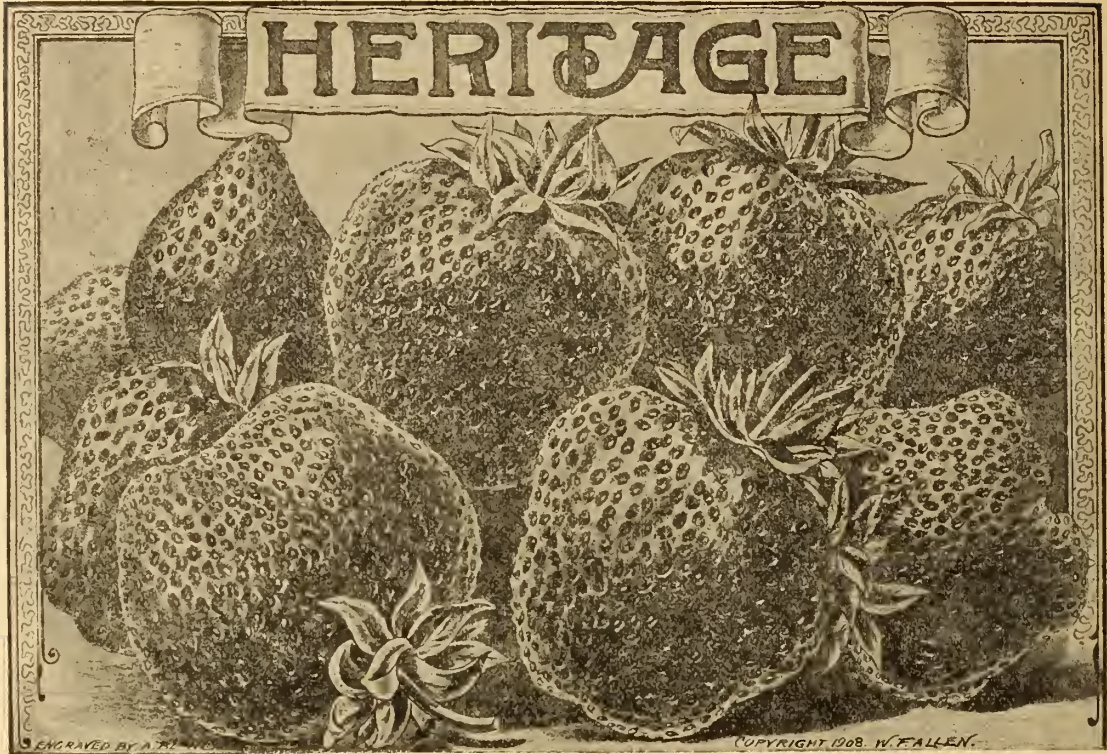
CHESAPEAKE.—This new berry

has now been fruited to some extent in almost all sections of the country, and there are so many good things said about it that it is difficult to decide which to print in the limited space in which it must be described. In my 1903 catalogue I offered \$100.00 for the best dozen plants of any unintroducted variety sent me. The Chesapeake won the prize. It was originated by John W. Parks, Wicomico county, Maryland. It is a chance seed-

ling and its parentage is not known. In the test plot where over a hundred varieties were competing for this prize it was so far in advance of all the rest that any child could have easily picked out the Chesapeake as the winner. I describe the variety as follows: Plants large and vigorous, no rust, and no weakness of any kind. The foliage is thick and leathery, upright leaf stems with the leaves almost round. The fruit is borne on large stems, the great proportion of which stand up, holding the fruit from the ground. The Chesapeake bears more fruit on single stems than any variety I know of. The blossoms are perfect; the fruit is uniformly large, averaging even larger than Gandy, and as compared with Gandy it is more productive, firmer and better quality, without the green tips which are often found in the Gandy. The Chesapeake colors all over at once. The flavor of this berry ranks with William Belt, Brunette and others of that class. Perhaps the strongest arguments that I could

put up to prove my good opinion of the variety is the fact that I am planting this almost exclusively for fruit in preference to all other varieties. Time of ripening about the same as Gandy. I use the Gandy for comparison because it is so universally known. Like all other strawberries to be at its best it should be planted on rich, springy land, but does remarkably well on any land that will grow strawberries of any kind. The Chesapeake is the easiest variety to pick of any that I know of, and pickers can pick more of this than of any variety that I have handled, and where pickers are scarce this is a great advantage.

A few weeks ago I sent out several hundred letters all over the country to parties who had bought plants of me two years ago. I asked them to describe the varieties that they had purchased of me, giving a true account, whether good or bad, and in almost every instance those who purchased Chesapeake speak in the highest terms of it. To show the wide range of country over which it has proved a success, I will quote from some of these letters. George M. Pontius, of Pickaway Co., Ohio, says: "The Chesapeake is the best all-around berry I ever raised. It is the best late berry of large size and fine quality." Phillip G. Scarff, of Harford Co., Md., says: "Chesapeake is not only the best I had, but the best I ever saw." Louis Lucas, of Allegheny Co., Pa., says: "Chesapeake are fine." C. W. Patterson, of San Bernardino Co., Cal., says: "Chesapeake justifies your claims." S. K. Garrison, of Albemarle Co., Va., says: "I like the Chesapeake fine." G. W. Miller, of Garfield Co., in the far-off northwestern State of Washington, says: "Chesapeake has many good qualities; for flavor they are dandies; good bearers and large berries. I am going to run all my planting into Chesapeake and William Belt. They stood the drought best of all." W. F. Crockett, of Craven Co., N. C., says: "Your Chesapeake are all O. K." R. McFadden, of Licking Co., Ohio, says: "The Chesapeake is all that you claim for it. It should have been named World-Beater. I sold every bushel of my Chesapeake berries at \$4.00. I will want 5,000 Chesapeake plants next spring." John H. Fringer, McDonough School, Baltimore Co., Md., says: "We bought 1,000 Chesapeake plants and they surpassed everything I have ever seen in strawberry culture, notwithstanding the fact that they grew under great disadvantage. Under favorable conditions I am sure they are one of the most wonderful berries grown." John Hargett, of Butler Co., Ohio, says: "The Chesapeake were wonderful. The people in my home mar-



berries and they had never seen such fine, large berries in market before. They brought 25 cents per quart." George H. Erb, of St. Louis Co., Mo., says: "The Chesapeake bore a wonderful crop, and they were the largest berries in my patch." J. W. Johnson, of Graves Co., Ky., says: "The Chesapeake were the largest, healthiest plants I ever raised: fruit large, fine, sweet and beautiful." Wm. L. LaFollette, of Whitman Co., Wash., says: "We were better pleased with the Chesapeake than any of the others on account of size, shape, color and firmness." J. K. Benninger, of Clarion Co., Pa., says: "The Chesapeake stands far ahead. They make good strong plants and big, solid berries." James W. Cartwright, of Henry Co., Ind., says: "The Chesapeake is away ahead of anything. They claim in this county that there was never a better herry planted. It has no defects of any kind. I will want several thousand plants in the spring." L. C. Raynor, of Monmouth Co., N. J., says: "I consider your Chesapeake a first-class berry in every respect. Your catalogue has not overestimated them in the least; I do not think you have praised them enough. They are big, they are hard, they are pretty, and best of all, they are good to eat. My wife has packed berries in New Jersey for 25 years, and she says they are the best berries she ever packed or ever saw, and I say so too." William Rose, of Monmouth Co., N. J., says: "Chesapeake very fine." George Foster White, president Lansdowne and Derby Saving Fund and Trust Co., of Delaware Co., Pa., says: "Replying to your inquiry of the 19th inst., the 200 Chesapeake and 200 William Belt strawberry plants purchased of you last year exceeded my expectations in bearing qualities, not only giving us all the luscious fruit we could use, but, as our neighbors will attest, supplying many pans full to those who were so unfortunate as to have no gardens." Wm. A. Koerner, of Multnomah Co., Ore., says: "I find the Chesapeake the best of the lot; season late, fair cropper, of good size, perfect shaped berries and a good keeper. I think a very fancy berry and shall plant more of them." L. J. Farmer, of Pulaski, N. Y., says: "Chesapeake is large, glossy and very productive. It is a beautiful berry; plants are stocky and vigorous."

It seems to me that the above testimonies are very much stronger than anything I can say, they being scattered over the different sections of the country. Out of all the plants we sold two years ago we have only heard from two that were not highly pleased with it, and the only fault found by those two were that it did not bear enough. Now I find that the Chesapeake is as productive as I would wish any berry to be. It does not set a tremendous crop of blossoms,

like some varieties, that can never be matured, but makes a fair amount of good, healthy blooms, every blossom of which makes a perfect berry. This is far more desirable to me than a berry wasting its vitality producing blossoms and stems in three or four times the quantity that can be matured. The Chesapeake only produces what blossoms are needed, and its strong vitality is all put in these berries, which will give results of something like 4,000 or 5,000 quarts of strictly fancy berries per acre, which will bring a price that will make the net income in most cases more than the variety that will bear twice as many. I will conclude by saying that we expect a very heavy demand on this variety. My stock consists of about a million plants. We expect to sell every one of them, however, by the time the season is up, if not before. I conscientiously recommend this variety to all planters, whether growing for market or the home garden. It is my candid belief that no one will be disappointed in it.

HERITAGE.—My attention was called to this new berry, which hails from New Jersey, last spring. There was so much good said of it that I bought plants, and while I have not seen the fruit, I am very much impressed with its good qualities. It is one of the healthiest and strongest growers that I have on the place. The berries are said to be uniformly large, beautiful in shape, as you can see by the illustration, splendid color and of delicious flavor. It is said to be solid enough for a market berry, and makes a prodigious yield. The blossoms are staminate or perfect and the berries have a very large green cap, which adds to the appearance and market value. Mr. Frank Ames, of Springdale, N. J., says "that he planted 10,000 plants of the Heritage in the spring of 1907 without knowing much about them. At picking time he went to the Heritage farm and saw the crop, and says he was sorry he did not plant ten times as many." Mr. John S. Collins, the well-known nurseryman of Moorestown, N. J., says he visited the Heritage strawberry when in fruit and saw several acres in bearing. He says he was much pleased, as the berries were very large, firm, and of good quality, and considers the variety worthy of extensive cultivation. Many others speak in similar terms of the berry, and it is highly recommended by the Philadelphia commission men, the only city in which it has been marketed so far. Personally, I consider the variety very promising, and it is one which I would not hesitate to plant to a considerable extent, even though I have not personally seen it in fruit. I advise all my customers to at least try a few.

HIGHLAND.—Planted here for the first time last spring. Plants received from M. Crawford, the originator. It is a chance seedling found by T. B. Carlisle, of Mahoning Co., Ohio. Mr. Carlisle has tested it for ten years and finds it his best money-maker. It makes large, healthy plants and is more productive than any other variety in the collection at the Worcester Experiment Station. The fruit is of good size, fine in color and form, of fairly good quality and moderately productive. It has been carefully tested at the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, and the following are some of the reports sent out by that institution: 1905 Report.—Highland was the most prolific variety in our collection. It is very promising and desirable, and especially for the grower who is situated near a good home market.

1906 Report.—Highland for the third season stands in the front rank of varieties remarkable for prolificacy, this season again surpassing all others in the quantity of fruit produced. It is as firm as Bubuch, and has always reminded the writer of Crescent. If that old and remarkably prolific variety could be imagined "overgrown" both in plant and fruit.

1907 Report.—During the four years Highland has been upon the Station grounds it has not failed to give very prolific crops. It seems strong and persistent in all its admirable points. A quart-maker of bright, handsome berries of very acceptable quality.

We have not fruited this variety yet, but the plant growth pleases me very much. It makes a very



strong, healthy plant with dark green foliage, a plant that gives

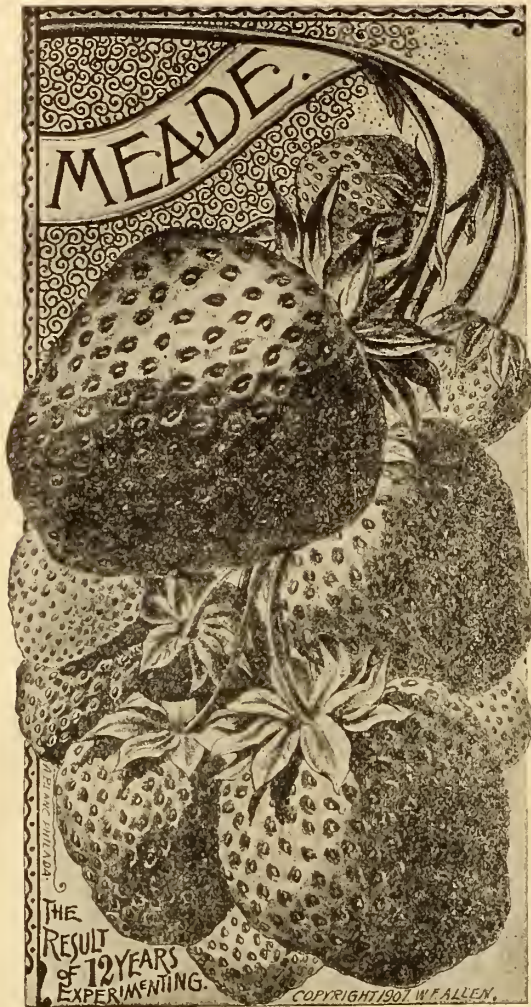
you the impression that it is ready for business.



LADY THOMSON.—This is a great Southern berry and is grown by the thousand acres in the great strawberry sections of North Carolina, where fully nine-tenths of the acreage is Lady Thomson, and so far they have found nothing that will quite equal it. It makes strong, healthy plants that produce large crops of medium large, firm berries. This variety is especially adapted to the South, but is grown to some extent in other sections. It is a reliable variety for California, Bermuda Islands, Cuba and other tropical and semi-tropical sections.

LIVINGSTON.—This is a seedling of the Warfield, and like that variety makes plenty of medium size plants that are wonderful for health, vigor and productiveness. The berries are larger than the Warfield, but not as firm. It colors all over, has a slight neck, and is easy picked. The berries are bright red inside and out, and have a rich, delicious flavor. It commences to ripen early and continues through a long season.

MITCHELL'S EARLY.—Originated by Mr. Mitchell, of Arkansas. It is too well known to need any extended description here. If grown on good soil it must be kept thin or it will go to much to vines. For eating from the vines there is probably none better, and until the Excelsior came it was the leading early market berry in this section as well as for home use. A few growers that I know of held on to it for a number of years after the advent of the Excelsior, and claimed that it still paid them better than that variety.

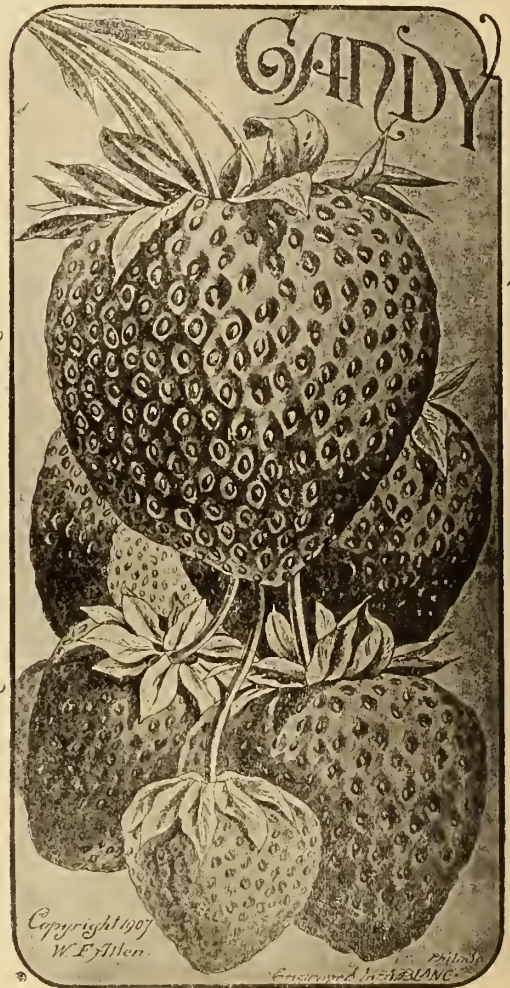


MEADE.—Originated by O. H. Meade, ex-president of the Massachusetts Fruit Growers Association. The Meade has fruited here and I find it a beautiful dark red berry of unusual fine quality. Moreover, it is very productive, and firm enough to stand shipping. It is good enough to attract the local market and should be a favorite on the home table. The *Garden Magazine* about a year ago devoted a full page to illustrating and describing this variety. It is a very stalky, low-growing plant, with broad, very dark and glossy foliage, makes plants freely, but seldom crowding too much for a matted row. The berries are of large size, pointed, globular in shape. Mr. James Draper, of Worcester, Mass., says: "With him the Meade is a plant whose foliage eclipses all others in vigor, quality, size, healthfulness and color. The berry is well formed, glossy red and good quality. I noticed on our Worcester market last June that the Meade commanded the highest prices of any variety on the fruit stand."

MAY KING.—Originated by T. G. Zane at Chew's Landing, N. J., and was introduced about 24 years ago. It was a favorite with a great many growers at that time, and to my knowledge made money for quite a number of them. I grew this variety for a number of years and then let it go altogether, as there seemed to be but little demand for it. Two or three years ago I tried to get a new stock of it and had great difficulty in doing so, but finally got hold of a few plants. My reason for putting it in stock again was on account of its very fine table qualities; in fact I know of nothing better for eating from the vines. We have a few plants if anyone wishes to try this old variety.

GANDY.—Too well known to need any extended description. This is the standard late variety all over the country, and probably no higher compliment could be paid the variety than the fact that all other late varieties are compared by it. It should be planted in black swamp land, if possible, otherwise in clay land or medium land of a springy nature, never on dry, sandy land. While it will bear a very good crop on soil that is described above, it does not thrive on light, sandy soil. I have an excellent crop of very fine plants this season and think I can please the most exacting, and shall be pleased to have your order.

PENNSYLVANIA DUTCHMAN.—This is a very promising new variety from the Keystone State. The exact origin or originator of this berry is not known to me. It comes to me from York Co., Pa., from one of my customers who writes me as follows: "I have a new kind of berry that has no name, and 11 and 12 fill a quart box that fetch 25 cents per box when the rest were only 8 cents in the Harrisburg market. They have perfect blossoms and firm. No one has them except one party and myself, and he will not sell anybody a plant. I will spare you about 500 plants if you wish to buy them, and I will sell them to you and nobody else." I bought the plants and was well pleased with them. The plants are very large—as large as any I have ever seen. The foliage is green and healthy; makes a moderate number of very large plants that make a perfect bed; the fruit is large and very attractive. I sold these plants last season at \$5.00 per 100, but I now have a good stock of extra fine plants and I am going to furnish them this year at \$6.00 per M. Do not fail to try it.





CLYDE.—This is a very popular berry in some sections, especially in the middle West. We have sold a great many thousands plants of Clyde in Kentucky, where it seems to be one of the leading ones for main crop. The Clyde is immensely productive, with fruit nearly as large as the Bubach, and would be one of the most popular varieties, but for the fact that its foliage sometimes gives way about fruiting time, and there is not sufficient to protect its immense crop of fruit. This deficiency can to a very great extent be overcome by an application of nitrate of soda just before they come in blossom, being careful to put it on when the plants are dry. When this method is followed it is a very desirable variety.

MARSHALL.—This is a great fancy berry for the New England market. The grocers are always delighted to get the Marshall on account of its dark red glossy color that is bound to attract and please customers. It is one of the richest flavored strawberries grown. The only fault we can find of the Marshall is that it does not last the whole year. This is one of the good old standbys, and we have seldom been able to fill the orders received for plants of this variety. I have an excellent stock this year, however, and hope to be able to supply all who want it. It is a winner at all Exhibitions, and has



taken more premiums at the Boston berry show than any other variety. It is a strictly fancy berry, not quite as productive as some other varieties, but the large size of the berry goes a long way towards making up for this in filling the quarts, and the extra price received for them will more than compensate for their lack of productiveness and the cost of any extra care that you can give them. The best class of trade will pay more for berries like the Marshall after once using them. The foliage of the plants is very large and of a beautiful upright growth.

HUMMER.—Origin not known. The berry was sent me by a customer in Kalamazoo Co., Mich., Mr. John Kolyoord, who writes me about the berry as follows: "W. F. Allen—Dear Sir: On my ground is a new strawberry that is a hummer. Understand me, I am not its originator. It has been grown several years by a man who lives about ten miles from here. He always refused to sell plants, notwithstanding as high as \$2.00 each were offered for them, but two or three years ago he sold some by mistake for Sharpless. After finding it out he tried to induce the buyer to give up the plants. The buyer mistrusted what he had received and said they would



do. We growers have not been able to compete with this berry in the Battle Creek market, as one of its merchants had its exclusive sale and shipped it as a fancy berry to Kalamazoo, Jackson, etc. The original owner has sold out and moved to the West. I know of but one party who has this variety. He is an old man from whom I got my plants, and I do not believe it has been introduced. It is my opinion that it is an English berry, because the man above alluded to is an Englishman. The originator (?) being out of the field and out of the business, I felt at liberty to let you have some of the plants. Yours truly, John Kolyoord." I procured plants from this party at once, and from his description called it the Hummer, and offered it to the public three years ago for the first time. It is a very strong, healthy plant, somewhat resembling New York. These large, vigorous plants load up with big, luscious berries. Anyone who buys plants of this variety cannot help but feel that they have something valuable when they see the large, stalky plants it makes. A customer writing from Ridgeley, Md., has this to say: "If you remember, I bought a number of varieties of strawberries from you in the spring of 1906; among them were the Hummer. These plants fruited this season, and I want to say that the Hummer beats anything I ever saw or heard of. I think you will have a great many orders for them from this section." I will add that I have had many good reports from the Hummer wherever it has been grown, and I especially recommend it for the home garden or local market.



THREE W'S.—Three W's originated with W. W. Wallace & Sons, of Roanoke Co., Tenn. Three W's is a chance seedling found in 1901 growing wild on right-of-way of the railway. The first fifteen plants which were found were transplanted into a garden and produced 600 plants the first year. In 1902 the original fifteen plants produced one quart of berries to the plant and the 600 plants produced 25,000 plants. In 1904 the Three W's won highest prize at the World's Fair and made a record for keeping ten days. In 1905 it stood the freezing of April 15th and 16th and made a big crop of large red berries, while other standard varieties made about 25 per cent. of a crop. This berry is a chance seedling and possesses many points of excellence. The foliage is beautiful, clean and healthy, dark green in color, and very attractive. I consider it a promising variety. Fruit is uniformly large, fine quality and very productive, covering a long season from medium early to late. It is quite firm and has a wonderful keeping quality. Berries picked Monday and shipped 500 miles to the St. Louis Exposition were placed on plates Wednesday morning. Late Friday evening out of 11 plants only seven berries could be found that were not in good condition. Part of these berries were on exhibition until the following Thursday. The past season has been quite dry here, but notwithstanding this the Three W's have made an excellent bed at least two feet across. The plants are very large and stalky and look as though they could bear an enormous crop. Mr. Wallace claims that he has a trade-mark on the name Three W's and has been trying to collect royalty from all who are selling plants. I wish to say that I knew nothing of this until after I had the plants growing, and my plants were received from a reliable grower in New York State, without any restrictions of any

kind whatever. Quite a number have written me that they had received threatening letters from Mr. Wallace that they must either not sell the plants of this variety or pay him the royalty. I will simply say that if Mr. Wallace will investigate the matter he will see that there has never been, and is not now, no law prohibiting the sale of your own products which are produced and multiplied by nature. There have been several such cases tried out and the verdict has always been that you could not trade-mark, copyright or patent anything that was produced by nature and not manufactured by man.

We have an excellent stock of plants and we are offering them this season at the very low price of \$3.50 per M. or \$3.00 per M. in lots of 5,000 or more. We shall be pleased to have orders from any one who wishes to plant Three W's.

 * AS USUAL. *
 * Keokuk Co., Iowa, April 22, 1903. *
 * W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md. *
 * Dear Sir—I received the strawberry plants in *
 * fine condition. Thanking you for sending me *
 * such fine plants, I remain, *
 * Yours very truly, C. C. STUBBS. *
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 * A WARM RECEPTION IN A COLD *
 * COUNTRY. *
 * Kennebec Co., Maine, May 9, 1903. *
 * W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md. *
 * Dear Sir—We received the strawberry plants *
 * in good condition. Thanks. Yours truly, *
 * WALTER H. COOPER. *
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EARLY OZARK.—This is a new variety from Missouri. The plants make a strong upright growth, somewhat resembling the Excelsior, but make a larger and heavier plant. As I have not fruited this variety, I shall have to give you the originator's description of it, which is as follows: "Early Ozark is one of over 800 seedlings which I have tested. It is a cross between Excelsior and Aroma. It is a staminate variety with very large blossoms which are full of pollen. Early as Excelsior or Mitchell's Early; ripened ahead of my Excelsior this year. In size as large or larger than Klondyke, Aroma or Gandy, fifteen specimen berries filling a quart rounding full. Very productive and firm; good flavor, not sour like Excelsior; foliage large and coarse, of dark green color." In a personal letter dated February 3, 1908, Mr. Shull, the introducer, writes me as follows: "W. F. Allen: Dear Sir—Enclosed you will find my circular giving a true and exact description of my new strawberry, and when I say 'as early as Excelsior and Mitchell's Early' I do not mean one day later; and just as large, firm and productive as I describe it; and furnish reliable reference to prove every statement I make. There is not the least doubt but that Early Ozark will take the place of all other extreme early varieties just as fast as plants can be grown, for sale at a reasonable price."

COLOSSUS.—Berries large to very large and very productive. Both plant and fruit very much resemble Bubach, except that it makes a better growth. The foliage is entirely healthy. It is said to be a seedling of the Bubach, and is certainly very similar in many respects to that variety. So far I am much pleased with it.

BRADLEY.—Fruited for the first time last year. It is a strong, vigorous and productive variety. Season late, berries large, good quality and attractive color. One of the most promising of the new varieties and one that is attracting attention from our visitors. The plants have made a splendid growth and are healthy and vigorous. I think well of the variety and recommend it for trial.

DOING FINE.

Chippewa Co., Wis., April 4, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Plants arrived safely and doing fine.

Yours truly, A. W. YOUNG.

CRESCENT.—This old variety has held its own longer than any other variety that has been introduced for 25 years. About 20 years ago it was more largely planted than any other variety. It still retains its strong, vigorous habits and is very productive of medium size berries. It is not largely grown in the East at present, but is still quite popular in some sections of the West, where it produces great crops of fine berries, and those who have never grown it have missed one of the best medium to late varieties.

WONDER.—Originated by S. A. Sampson, of Erie Co., Ohio, and introduced by M. Crawford, from whom I received my stock. This berry has sometimes been called Sampson's Wonder, and is not the berry that has been sold at World's Wonder or Wild Wonder. Mr. Crawford describes this variety as follows: "This is truly a wonderful berry and its merits are just coming to be appreciated. It makes immense plants with broad leaves and strong, stalky stems. It is perfectly healthy and very prolific, and the fruit is of great size and beauty, fine red color, good quality and moderately firm. In form it is pointed, conical and uniform, except that the first berries on the stems are sometimes misshaped. It has been classed as late because it makes a long season, but on our grounds it begins to ripen with Wm. Belt, and we so no other way but to call it medium."

ST. LOUIS.—Originated in Arkansas by J. A. Bauer. The variety as grown here makes a strong, healthy plant, plenty of runners, fairly productive of very large berries, considering the early season at which they ripen. They are only three or four days after Excelsior, and berries will average fully twice as large. Mr. Bauer says: "There is no berry more even in size, and one of their strong points is, they ripen all of their crop in a rush, not lasting over a long season as many other early berries do. It gives the grower top prices for all of the crop, while the berries that run so long always get cheap the latter part of the season. I have grown it with Climax, Klondyke, Excelsior, Lady Thomson and Mitchell's Early, and find they are more productive, larger, and fill more quarts at a picking. I have picked 12 berries that fill a quart box well rounded, and could have found plenty more for several pickings that would do the same. The berries have long stems, making them easy to pick. Season same as Climax, and about six days later than Excelsior." I really think this an excellent variety, and I would advise my customers who want a large first early berry to try a hundred at least.

NICK OHMER.—Introduced several years ago by M. Crawford, of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and originated by Mr. Nicholas Ohmer, of near Dayton, Ohio. This is a strong, perfect-blossom variety, productive of large, rich, dark glossy red, globular berries, highly colored all the way through, and of superior flavor. It is a great market variety and a superb variety for the home table. While some large growers plant more of this variety than any other, it does not seem to be a general favorite with the great mass of strawberry growers. It is a variety that responds readily to high culture and extra attention, and thrives best on deep, moist soil. For the last two or three years this variety has been steadily gaining in popularity in extremely Southern sections as a market variety to ship North. Especially is this true in Florida, where we have sold thousands of plants of Nick Ohmer for the last two seasons more than in all the rest of the country combined.

A SQUARE DEAL.

Middlesex Co., Ont., April 15, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—I received my plants yesterday in fine condition. You were certainly prompt in sending them at the time stated. They are all very fine plants, the best I ever had shipped me. I am well pleased with them and must thank you for your promptness, good cost, and a square deal. I am,

Yours sincerely,
E. R. McNEILL.



VIRGINIA.—As stated in my previous catalogue, this is another of my \$100.00 prize berries. After fruiting it another season it has proven even more satisfactory in every way than heretofore. In Accomac Co., Virginia, it has a record of having produced 12,000 quarts per acre. In points of earliness about three days behind Excelsior, and in some tests has proven as early, but about three or four days later is more correct. The Virginia is very productive and of good size for an early berry: while it is not of the firmest, it is firm enough to make a good shipping berry, and being uniformly of good size for an early berry and a bright, glossy red color, it can be depended upon to bring good prices in the market. The Virginia was originated in Accomac Co., Virginia, hence its name. The Virginia is said to be a cross between the great shipping berry, Hoffman, and the old favorite Sharpless. This is surely most excellent parentage, and the Virginia to a large degree combines the good qualities of both. The foliage, while distinct, is similar to the Hoffman, but is larger and stronger. The plants make a strong, healthy growth with plenty of runners, and never shows a spot of rust. I was talking with a customer a few days ago who had several acres of this variety. He told me that one of his neighbors advised him not to plant any Allen's Virginia as it was little and no good, but as he has fruited a number of acres and has just given me an order for 50,000 more plants, it is evidently satisfactory to him. J. W. Johnson, of Graves Co., Ky., writes: "The Virginia has healthy foliage and very prolific, and extra early and large for so early a berry." The proprietor of the New York Fruit Store at St. Johnsbury, Vermont,

writes: "The Virginia and the Marshall George F. Thayer, of Canyon Co., Idaho, says: "The Virginia produces a wonderful crop, so much so that I set out this were the best of all for fancy prices," fall all the plants I had." Joseph C. Watson, of Accomac Co., Va., writes: "I think the Virginia is the best of the five varieties that I have tested this year. It makes a fine lot of plants, beautiful, glossy berries, and continues to bear longer than any of the others." Albert Sells, of Whiteside Co., Ill., says: "Your Virginia is a grand berry; I am delighted with it. We have an organization of berry growers here of about 70 members, and I was the only one that had it, and I sometimes got tired of telling the boys the name of it, there was always someone asking the name and all kinds of questions about it. You will get lots of orders from here." W. Scott Smith, of Salem Co., N. J., writes: "The berry crop here this year was a complete failure, although some Virginia set in my garden did exceptionally well." We have a number of other letters saying good things of the Virginia, but we have no room for them, and it would seem that the above was sufficient.

NORTH SHORE.—Originated by Benj. H. Smith, of Beverly, Mass., who speaks of it as follows: "Solid and firm, quality of the best, size large." My personal experience of this variety is that it makes a splendid growth of large, broad leaves, healthy plants which bear a good crop of very firm, large berries of good quality. Season very late. Those who are looking for a very firm shipping berry should give this a trial. I think it would please them.

SARATOGA.—Originated by William Palmer, of Saratoga Co., N. Y. It makes a very vigorous growth of healthy, vigorous plants with very dark green foliage. Although we offered this variety last year, my stock was small and I did not have a chance to fruit it, therefore I will have to be content by again giving the originator's description, which is as follows: "I exhibited the Saratoga at the New York State Fair in September, 1906, one plant set in May, 1906, with ordinary field culture, that had 25 good berries and several small ones. A portion of three acres was of this variety, cared for the same as the balance of the field. One picking at the height of the season yielded at the rate of 5000 quarts per acre, maturing the last of the crop with the Gandy. I have been testing it on different soils for three years with equally as good results. It has a perfect blossom and is a cross of the Glen Mary and Sample, two of the leading all-around berries. The flesh is of deep red crimson; a good shipper and medium to late in the season. The Saratoga has made an elegant growth here during the past very dry season, and we have quite a large stock of plants, and notwithstanding it sold for \$3.00 per 100, we are now offering it for \$6.00 per M., or \$5.00 per M| in lots of 5,000 or more."

ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY.
 Ravalli Co., Mont., Sept. 27, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—All the plants I have received from you at different times have been entirely satisfactory. Yours truly, R. PARKHURST.

NEVER HAD SUCH PLANTS IN HIS LIFE
 Mason Co., Ky., Nov. 4, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—Plants received all O. K., and can freely say in all my dealings never had such plants in my life. They were as green as if they had just been dug. Accept my greatest thanks for the Chesapeake plants. May God's richest blessings rest upon you, is my wish. If at any time I can be of service to you, do not hesitate to call on me. Truly yours, R. WELLS.



KLONDYKE.—I know of nothing to add or nothing to take from my description of last year, which is as follows: "This is getting to be one of the most popular of the early market varieties. One prominent grower in Ohio says: "This is a good old variety. The plants are only medium size, but very productive. Like Gandy, it produces some pistillate blossoms early in the season. The fruit is large, obtusely conical, smooth red, firm and of good quality." Another grower in Mississippi says: "I have 50 acres of this variety alone. It leads all other varieties as a great market berry in this part of the country. There is more of it planted here than any other 20 varieties." Staten, Sweet & Co., who operate in this county, and who have large quantities of strawberries grown by contract, have been growing more or less Klondyke for several years. It has paid them very well and they have 400 acres now. They consider it one of the very best market varieties. Other large growers are also planting heavily of it. I find it very satisfactory. It makes a good crop of well-colored, firm, large berries such as ship well and bring the top of the market. It makes a fine growth, being no trouble to get a good stand, and, in fact, is one of the best early berries I know of."

I have a large stock of very fine plants.

AROMA.—A late variety, which seems to have its greatest popularity in the Middle West. It is very firm and solid, making it an excellent shipper. As compared with the Gandy, it is about the same season, about the same size, and about the same in productiveness. Quality is good.

ARIZONA EVERBEARING.—A great favorite on the Pacific Coast, where it seems to give unusual and satisfactory results. We do not grow this variety for, or specially recommend it to, our Easteru customers, but to our California friends who wish to plant the Arizona Everbearing, I wish to say I have some very fine plants and will be pleased to supply them.

FAIRFIELD.—(Illustration two-thirds size.)—Season of ripening same as Mitchell's Early, Hoffman, Excelsior, etc. It is somewhat larger than either of these and has far better eating qualities than either Excelsior or Hoffman. This variety is becoming more popular every season. There is getting to be a great demand for plants, which is positive evidence that it is giving satisfaction. One will not go far out of the way in planting this variety

for an early crop. The Ohio Experiment Station puts it ahead of all other early varieties. The quality of this berry is good, and the plants are strong and healthy, very much resembling Haverland. It is a good early berry to plant either for home use or for market.





THANK YOU, COME AGAIN.

Polk Co., Fla., Feb. 11, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—I have just received one of your catalogues and looked over it, and hearing Mr. J. B. Galloway bought plants of you, I went over to his place to see his crop, and found it to be one of the finest I have seen this season, so I am sending you my order.

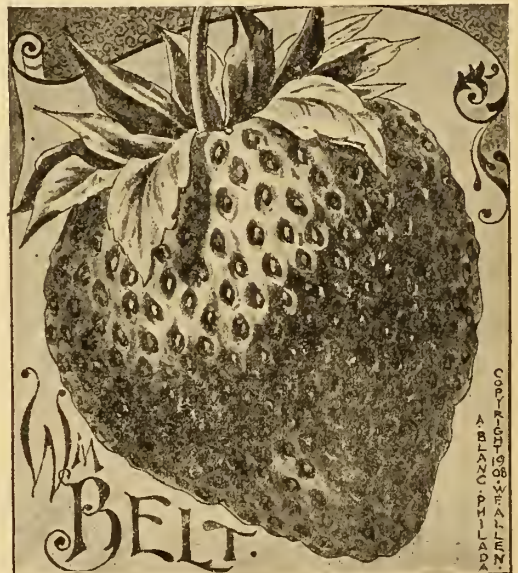
Yours respt.,
T. B. MARTIN.

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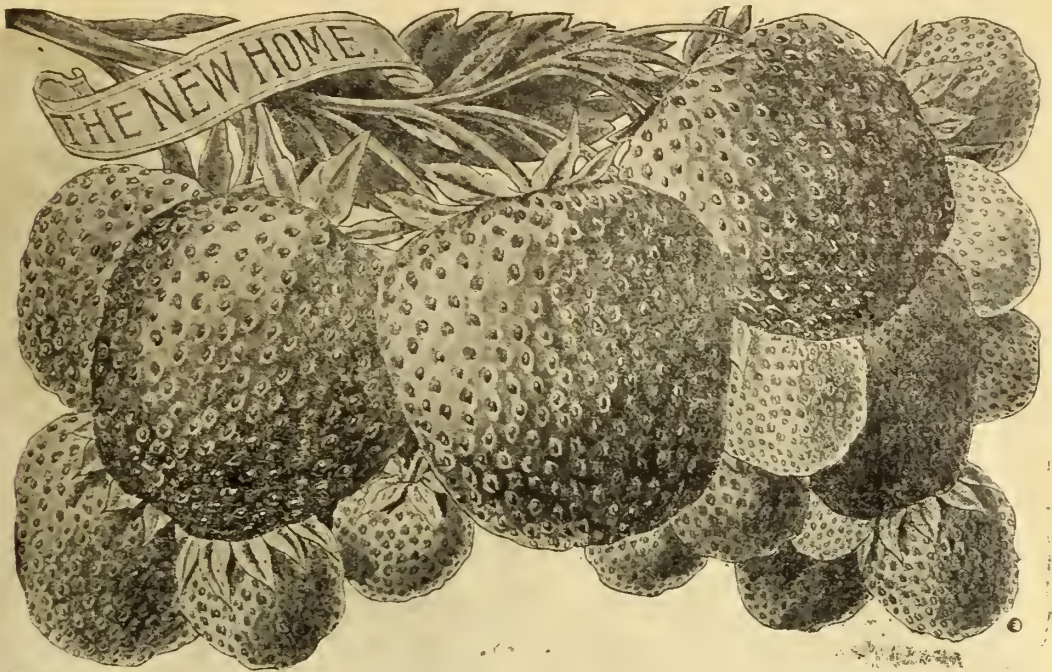
GOOD LUCK.— James W. Cartwright, of Henry Co., Ind., says: "Good Luck is just splendid." Thos. G. Smithson, of Washington, D. C., says: "Good Luck especially made the finest plants I ever saw in my life, and I wish you could see them; it would do your eyes good, notwithstanding the two months' drought we had this spring. What few I allowed to fruit, the berries seem to be all that I could wish." The Good Luck is undoubtedly one of the strongest growers ever produced. In saying this I do not make a single exception, although we are growing over one hundred varieties. This variety comes to me as a result of one of my prize offers, which was awarded in 1904 to Elwood Pedrick, of New Jersey. The fruit of this berry as compared with Gandy is equally as large, more productive and a few days earlier. In shape it is conical to broad conical or wedge-shape, with uniformly smooth, even surface, making it very showy both on the vines and in the package after being gathered. The above illustration was made from a photograph and is an exact likeness of the berry. I believe it is a safe berry to plant, and with me it does much better than Stevens Late Champion, which seems to be growing popular in many sections.

WILLIAM BELT.— There are few lovers of strawberries that would not cross a plot and pick out the William Belt as the best. It is a standard for quality the country over. This variety is somewhat subject to rust and for this reason for a time was not popular, but its superior quality and large size has made many friends for it, especially among the amateur growers who have an appreciative fancy market, or for the home table. I know of nothing that will approach it in quality of its season except Chesapeake. The demand for this variety has been much greater for the last few years, and we frequently dispose of every plant that we have. Mr. G. M. Myers, of Garfield Co., Wash., says: the Chesapeake and William Belt for flavor and good eating are dandies; good hearers and large berries. I am going to run all my patch in these two kinds. They stood the drought best and are in good shape now."

ALL O. K.
Roanoke Co., Va., April 18, 1908.
W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
Dear Sir—Strawberry plants and grape vines received today all O. K.
Yours,
J. LEE TURNER.



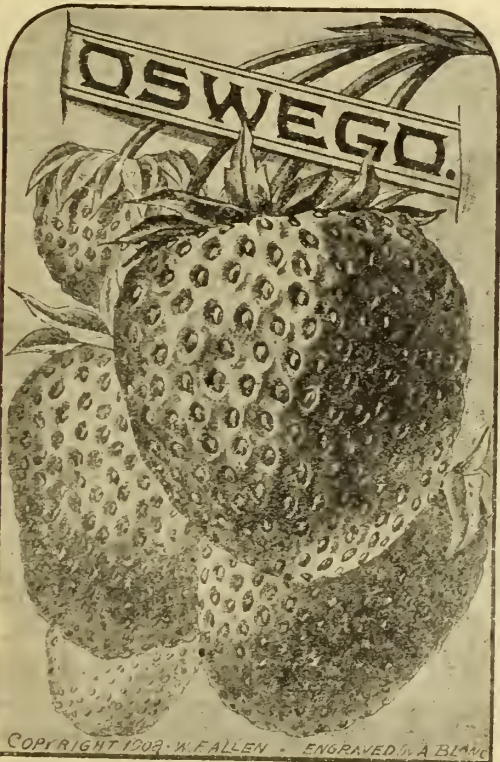
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NEW HOME.—This variety has always given me excellent results. I have made more money growing this variety for fruit than any variety that I have ever grown until I got the Chesapeake. It is nearly as late as the Gandy, fruit bright red color that does not lose its luster and turn dark after being picked a long time; uniformly large size and the best shipping berry ever grown here. It makes a vigorous growth and will produce a crop on much higher land than where Gandy will grow. The fruit is so firm and keeping quality so good it does not require picking more than three times a week, and with me it has often made a thousand quarts per acre at a single

picking. Pickers are always anxious to pick these berries, and I have had good pickers that could pick 40 quarts an hour, and some say they could do even better.

One peculiarity about the New Home I want to mention, and that is, that all through the rows there are more or less very light colored or yellow leaves; this seems to be a characteristic of the variety. I mention this because a great many have written me about it. Since introduced this berry has had some very flattering reports as to good results, but it would not be fair on the other hand not to mention the fact that we have had a great many complaints; while it has done exceptionally well here, there seems to be many sections where it does not thrive. I can only say that if it does for others as it has done for me you will find it one of the best varieties for shipping purposes that you can grow, but since there seems to be so many places where it does not do well, I would not advise you to plant large quantities of it until you have seen it in fruit on your own ground.



OSWEGO.—I do not know the originator of the Oswego, but it was introduced by L. J. Farmer. It is supposed to be a seedling of the Bubach fertilized with Sharpless. It originated in an old family bed and attracted attention by its large size and ability to produce a large crop of berries under neglect. It was transferred to the family garden and grown there for years before it finally attracted the attention of commercial growers. The plants are large and vigorous, producing a sufficient number of young plants, while the old parent plants tend to bunch up much like the old Parker Earl. It is very distinct in growth. The berries are very large, bright crimson color and ripen about with the Sample. The blooms are fertile in pollen. One berry grower who had one-half an acre of them received \$400.00 for the crop. It is not a pet variety, but a rough-and-ready berry that will please the average farmer. Season late.

THIS READS GOOD TO ME.

Lancaster Co., Pa., May 7, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

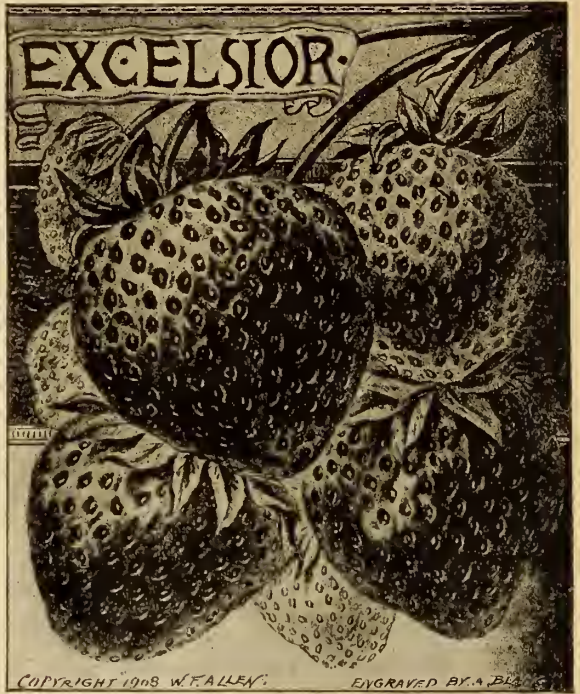
Dear Sir—I received the plants on the 20th. The weather was dry and hot—we had to water as we planted. I looked over the patch yesterday and I think every plant is growing. I was well pleased with the way you had them packed, and they had large, strong, fine roots. Mr. Jacob G. Frank received his plants and was so pleased he said he would never give an order to another firm as long as you are in the business, as this was his second order, and was well pleased with both.

Respt. yours,

H. W. REILLY.

EXCELSIOR.—There is not a strawberry earlier than Excelsior in cultivation. The berries are medium to medium large in size and very productive, and one of the best shipping berries. I have grown this in a large field that would average over 5,000 quarts to the acre. This has been a very popular standard sort for quite a number of years the country over, and it is probably as largely grown now for market as any of the extra early varieties. After giving it half a chance it will take care of itself and bring splendid returns. It is too sour to suit the taste of the average person and has therefore never become popular for the home garden. As a first early shipping berry, however, it has few equals. Our demand for the plants of this variety has been large for years. It is the best of the old standard extra early market sorts.

FENDALL.—This berry was received from the originator, Charles E. Fendall, of Baltimore Co., Md., spring of 1908, and I have not yet had the opportunity of seeing it in fruit. The plants have made an exceptional fine growth with strong, healthy foliage which has made ample beds of vigorous, large plants. Mr. Fendall describes it as follows: "The plant is strong and vigorous, clean and healthy, growing at least two inches higher than any other variety I have in my garden. The foliage is a beautiful light green, easily distinguished from other varieties, and has not yet shown the slightest weakness in any respect. The berries are as large, if not larger, than any other variety, and unlike most large varieties, in that they are of delicious flavor. In length of season it is certainly remarkable. In 1903 I picked berries from it on the 25th of May and the last on the 4th of July. In 1906 it yielded at the rate of 16,800 quarts per acre. It throws out a great many runners, which root splendidly in a very short time; in fact, the roots of this variety excel anything I have ever seen in the strawberry line. The berries are perfect beauties, rich in color, smooth and glossy, with long stems and very large caps. The plant and fruit are bound to command attention wherever seen. More than fifty gentlemen have visited my garden during the season and all express their greatest astonishment at the wonderful productiveness, size and flavor of this wonderful berry."



OAK'S EARLY.—Originated in Somerset Co., Md., by William Tull. It was found growing wild by the side of an oak stump in Mr. Tull's field. The strong, vigorous growth of the plant attracted his attention. The plant was left standing and cultivated, except a part of them which were dug up and planted. Those that remained ripened an unusual large crop of excellent berries, coming in with Mitchell's Early and Hoffman. It has fruited here twice. I find it nearly as early as the Excelsior, equally as productive, and firm enough for a good shipping berry. It makes lots of good, strong, vigorous plants, not large, but very hardy, and a persistent grower. This should prove a valuable variety where extra early berries are wanted for long shipment. In a letter from Mr. A. H. Walker, Mardela Springs, Md., September 21st, he says: "The Oak's Early were very nice and stood the late frost remarkably well. I found it to be the nicest of the varieties I bought of you, all things considered."

MAMMOTH BEAUTY.—Introduced by Charles Pratt and claimed to be one of the most profitable berries in Western Massachusetts. It is a pistillate variety, and the foliage very much resembles the old Haverland, but is claimed to be much better. A grower in Western Massachusetts, who recommended this variety, does not grow plants for sale, and has no interest whatever in hoarding it. I have only fruited this in a small way and find it very satisfactory. I haven't a large stock of plants, but enough to go around in a small way for trial, and I strongly recommend it for that purpose. I have no doubt many of our customers would find this an exceedingly valuable addition to their list.



THEY BEAT PEDIGREE PLANTS.

Knox Co., Tenn., Jan. 23, 1908.
 W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—Strawberry plants bought of you last year did fine. With me your plants beat the pedigree plants, with ordinary field culture.
 Yours truly, WILL MASTERSON.



COMMONWEALTH.—Originated by James Monroe, near Boston. I have fruited this berry and find that it bears a good quantity of fine, large berries. I do not especially recommend this variety for the South, as I think it is more adapted to Northern sections, and for best results should be given high culture. When these conditions are met it is a very fancy berry. Mr. Monroe says: "The Commonwealth is the outcome of the desire and effort to produce a berry that would perceptibly lengthen the strawberry season. In the Commonwealth we have a berry that is as large as the largest, as productive as the largest, as fine flavor, as solid and as dark color as any. It has a smooth surface, is very rich and juicy and has a strong staminate blossom. On

the 17th day of July, 1902, as good berries were picked as at any time during its season. Marshall, Glen Mary and McKinley growing side by side of it being all gone. The last berries were picked on July 22d. The plant is a strong grower, but not so rank as the Marshall, and makes a fair amount of plants. The Massachusetts Horticultural Society, always ready to recognize special merit, awarded the Commonwealth first prize in competition July 5th, 1902, and July 11th, 1903."

Mr. James H. Gregory, the well-known seedsman, of Marblehead Mass., has this to say: "I saw the Commonwealth on the grounds of the originator, and a grand sight it was. The berry is tremendously large (14 of those I picked filled a quart basket), the berries are symmetrical in shape, and have a rich, glossy color; the flesh is red, nearly as dark as the Marshall. It is a good cropper and appears to be firm enough to ship well. One of its most valuable characteristics is its lateness in maturing, for when I was there, July 2d, the large bed which had bushels of growing fruit had to be searched over very carefully to find a quart of ripe berries."

Benjamin F. Smith, of Beverly, Mass., well known as a grower of fancy strawberries, says: "I have watched the Commonwealth very carefully on the originator's grounds by the side of all the leading varieties, and for vigor of plant productiveness and quality of fruit it excels them all. It is very late and one of the best I ever saw."

TENNESSEE PROLIFIC.—Too well known to need any general description. It is a reliable standard variety, makes a good healthy growth and bears an abundant crop of large berries. It has a perfect blossom; plant growth similar to Haverland, and one of the best to plant with medium to late pistillate varieties.



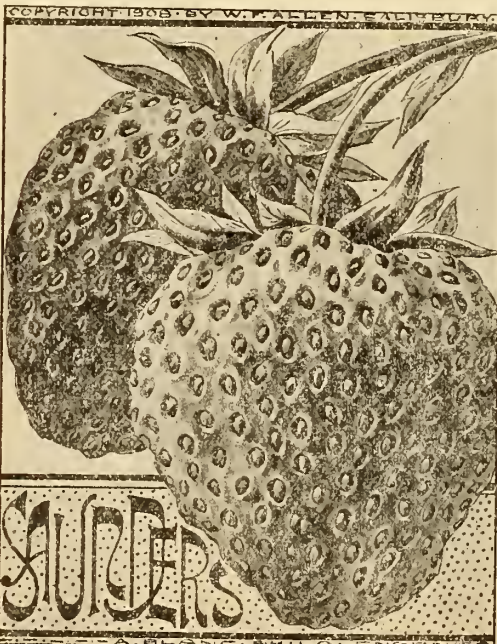
ARLINGTON.—Introduced by Lester Blanchard of Massachusetts. It has a perfect blossom, and a quart of 25 berries was awarded second prize at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, June 21st, 1904. Mr. Blanchard says the Abington is a chance seedling. The plant is large and has dark green foliage. The fruit stocks are strong and stand erect from the ground; the blossom is perfect and well filled with pollen. It ripens with the Bubach, the berries being very large, averaging as large as the Bubach, and hold out well throughout the entire season. After fruiting quite a plot of it I would not hesitate to plant it in preference to Bubach, and recommend it to my customers. In color it is bright red with firm flesh and good flavor. Mr. Blanchard claims to have grown the Abington at the rate of over 9,000 quarts per acre, and says it is a berry that will take the place of Bubach, as it is a better plant-maker with perfect blossoms and sends out more fruit stocks, and ripens at the same season; the berries are more attractive and better flavored. I am very much pleased with the berry myself. One of my customers from Mt. Sterling, Ky., says: "The Abington was a wonder to me for its large plants, and some berries measured $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 inches in circumference without any special treatment." Mrs. H. L. Stebbins, of Madison Co., N. Y., says: "I cannot find words to tell of its good qualities; size of berries immense, good growth of plants; berries fill out large to the last. It is the berry I have been looking for to take the place of Bubach. The Glen Mary is my favorite of all the different kinds I have tried, but I wanted something earlier, and I have found it in the Abington." J. M. Cooke, of Lorain Co., Ohio, says: "Abington is a good grower, moderate runner, heavy bearer, with big berries, good color and fair quality. I think them quite an addition to our collection."

HOWARD.—A late variety ripening with the Gandy and excelling it in productiveness, also in growth and quality of fruit. It is a seedling of Barton's Eclipse crossed with Gandy. It has made a very good showing with me, and is spoken of in the *Rural New Yorker*



as follows: "Late, strong, productive, foliage tough and resistant, very large berries, firm and well colored, quality better than Gandy; a promising sort; try it."

SAUNDERS.—Years ago I grew many acres of this for fruit and considered it one of my best varieties. It is a strong staminate variety and one of the very best to plant with pistillates. The fruit is large and a deep, glossy red. This is one of the few varieties that give best results on medium or light soil and yields good crops, and for several years was my favorite berry. For two or three years the demand for this variety seemed to wane, but evidently is coming into popularity again, judging from the inquiries we are receiving for it. It is certainly a good berry and no one will go far wrong in planting it. It is a good, safe variety to plant by the inexperienced.



IN FINE SHAPE.

Montgomery Co., Ohio, May 5, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Please accept my thanks for your prompt delivery of plants. They arrived here in fine shape. Thanking you for past favors, I remain,

Your customer,
HARVEY J. SCHEIDT.

FINE, AS USUAL.

Shaster Co., Cal., Jan. 22, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Strawberry plants are here all O. K. Fine, as usual, and generous count. Dewberry plants received; have been on the road over a month, but look as fresh as just packed. I wish I could get all my shipments in as good order. Success to you.

CHIPMAN.—This has made a very good growth and looks quite promising. It has been attracting quite a good deal of attention in the strawberry sections of Delaware. It originated in Sussex County, Del., by a grower of over 30 years' experience, and is considered by him the best he ever fruited. It was first planted for field culture six years ago, and it has always come out ahead where planted. The plants are strong, upright in growth, large and healthy, with tall, broad, bright, glossy green foliage, and has never shown any signs of rust or disease. It has strong, perfect blossoms and is a good variety to plant with pistillate sorts. The fruit is large, with large green caps of even size and shape. It begins to ripen four or five days earlier than the Bulach; the color is dark red, bright and glossy; it is very firm, a good shipper and good quality, and retains its bright color a long time after being picked; succeeds equally well on light or heavy soil, and it is predicted that it will soon become one of the leading commercial varieties.

OOM PAUL.—This variety has made a good growth of large, healthy plants which make enough runners to bed up nicely. The fruit is large, the larger berries being sometimes a little flattened; color dark red all the way through; flesh is quite firm and of good quality. I fruited the Oom Paul for the past two seasons and believe it is a variety that is going to give general satisfaction. It is a good variety for the home garden and firm enough, large and attractive enough to give good results as a shipping berry. I do not think anyone would make any great mistake in planting this variety.

PARSON'S BEAUTY.—Originated in this county and has been largely grown around Pittsville and Parsonsburg. It is very productive, medium large and good quality. To anyone who has a near market where the fruit can be hauled in, or picked one day and sold the next morning, I would recommend this variety, but for long shipment I do not think it is firm enough to give best results. It makes a luxuriant growth of dark green, vigorous plants.

PRIDE OF CUMBERLAND.—Originated in New Jersey. Brilliant red berries and holds the luster and freshness a long time after taking from the vines. It is so attractive that it always brings the highest prices in the market. Where everything is favorable it is very productive, very firm and good quality. It is a strong staminate variety and an excellent variety to plant with medium to late pistillate varieties.

EVERYTHING SATISFACTORY.
 Jefferson Co., Mo., April 8, 1908.
 W. F. Allen, a Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I received the plants the 30th day of March and everything was satisfactory. They were in very good condition. Yours HENRY KONECT.

POCAHONTAS.—This new variety comes from Virginia, and was originated by S. K. Garrison, who writes me as follows: "W. F. Allen, Salisbury, Md.—Dear Sir: I have one of the finest berries that has ever been seen. I showed it to all of the berry growers in this section and they all said it was the biggest berry that had ever been seen. I found the plants up in the mountains where never a strawberry had been planted, and it is the heaviest and largest plant I ever saw. From the small patch I had of them I got 32 quarts every other day and I sold them to Mr. — in Charlottesville, and he sold every quart of them for 25 and 30 cents when he could not get but 10 cents for Glen Mary, and the Glen Mary is a favorite of mine. I had a lot of calls for this new berry, but I have not let any of the plants go. I have only a few of them this spring and I have not named it yet. It is a fine, large, heavy bearer as I ever saw, and I would like for you to name them. The plant is a big, stout fellow, larger than Glen Mary. I showed the plant and berry to a number of the prominent gentlemen here and they will all tell you that just what I say is so."

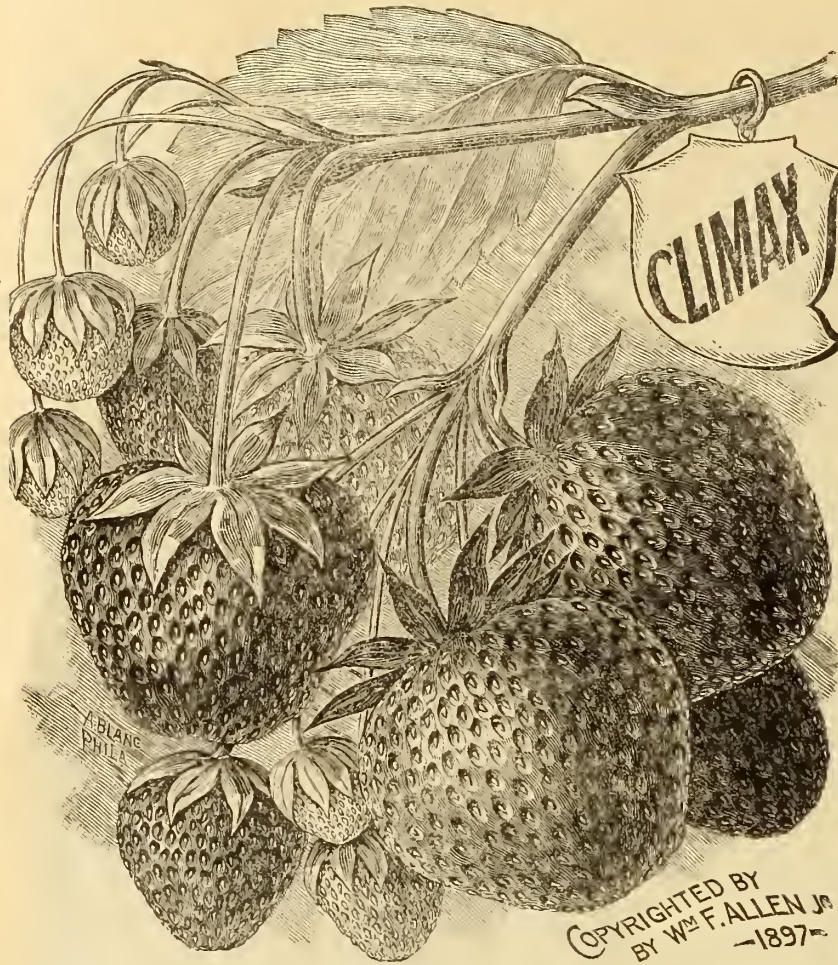
The plants are exceedingly large and sturdy, somewhat resembling the Marshall, but more vigorous and healthy, and makes more plants. The berries are large and beautiful, and fine quality.



Mr. Garrison, and this is one of the berries that you want to plant. Do not fail to try it.

ARMSTRONG.—In plant growth and in many respects it resembles the New York. From medium to late in season, with perfect blossom. This is claimed to be a German seedling and is supposed to have been brought to this country from Germany several years ago. For several years it has been in the hands of German fruit growers in New York State. It is one of the largest and most productive berries grown in that section. These growers claim to be able to grow them by the crate where 12 to 15 will fill a quart, and that they will bring 10 to 15 cents when others are bringing about one-half that amount. With me, as before stated, it is similar to the New York in many respects, both as to plant growth and fruit.

BEADER WOOD.—I have a nice stock of this old Western favorite. I say Western favorite, because we sell a good many plants in the West and very few in the East. The foliage is very dark green in color, rather tall, and has long, narrow leaves; has very long roots, which extend deep in the soil and enable it to endure dry weather better than most kinds. The plants of this variety are not large, but they bear large crops, and that is what most



CLIMAX.—The accompanying illustration is a splendid likeness of the Climax, showing its immense productiveness of large, beautifully shaped berries. In this immediate vicinity as well as in many other sections the Climax has frequently been one of the best paying varieties grown for the past two seasons. I have sold about 600,000 to 800,000 Climax plants each year, which shows its great popularity. It has taxed our resources for the last year or two to grow enough plants to supply the trade. It is now so well tested and is proving successful over so wide a range of territory that no one need hesitate to plant it. If you have not decided what to plant for second early, you can safely put down Climax, as this is undoubtedly one of the best second early varieties, coming in three or four days after such varieties as Excelsior, Mitchell's Early, etc. It is very productive, a rich, handsome berry, and holds on for a long season. The Climax is supposed to be a cross of Bubach and Hoffman. The foliage is of beautiful light green color that can be distinguished from other varieties at quite a distance. The plants are strong and vigorous, showing no signs of rust. But few if any varieties ever put on the market has made a greater record for immense productiveness. W. H. Woolsey, of Ulster Co., N. Y., says: "The Climax is a very good berry with me, good foliage and good bearers. I think they will be a good berry for this section. I recommend it for a commercial berry." C. E. Corfman, of Utah Co., Utah, says: "The Climax does the best of any. Most of the varieties do not seem to be adapted to this climate or soil conditions."

I have a very fine stock of Climax this season and shall be pleased to serve all who want them.

RELIANCE.—Introduced by Peter Henderson & Co. Seedling of the Mary crossed with the Marshall. Large size, early, and has a perfect blossom. It resembles the Mary somewhat in shape, very fine quality, juicy, luscious and solid to the center. The growth is fair, large, dark green,

handsome foliage and makes only a moderate quantity of plants. It has excellent qualities for the home table, but hardly believe it would give satisfaction as a shipping berry.

SHARPLESS.—

A great favorite with many people for the family garden and also in many local markets. It is too well known to need any lengthy description, but I wish to say for the benefit of those who have been disappointed in getting plants of this variety for the last few years, that I now have an excellent stock and will be pleased to supply you.

SUPERIOR.—

This variety has become quite popular in some sections, especially in Delaware. The plants are strong, healthy growers, with dark glossy green foliage, and succeed on almost any soil. It is a great plant maker and should be kept thin and planted a good distance apart. It sets an immense load of fruit, which is medium in size, bright, glossy red, firm, and a good keeper; ripens about a week after Excelsior and continues in bearing until late mid-season.

SPLENDID.—

A very productive variety of uniform medium size. This is another variety that must be kept thin in order to keep it from getting too thick on the row for best results, as it surely will do if left to have its way. It has a strong, staminate blossom and is one of the best for pollinizing such pistillate varieties as Warfield, Crescent and others of that type. The berry is well named, for under favorable conditions it is certainly "Splendid."

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Contea Costa Co., Cal., March 18, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—Received the berry plants in good order; have planted them and every one growing. They were No. 1 plants. Have bought plants here from a local dealer and will say if he gave his plants away and you sold your plants for 3 to 5 cents each, I would prefer yours every time. You can look for another order from here next year. Yours respt.,

BEN FRANK.

MADE A FINE GROWTH.

Bingham Co., Idaho, Sept. 24, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The plants I ordered from you arrived in good condition. They made a fine growth. Yours truly, W. R. HUFFACKER.

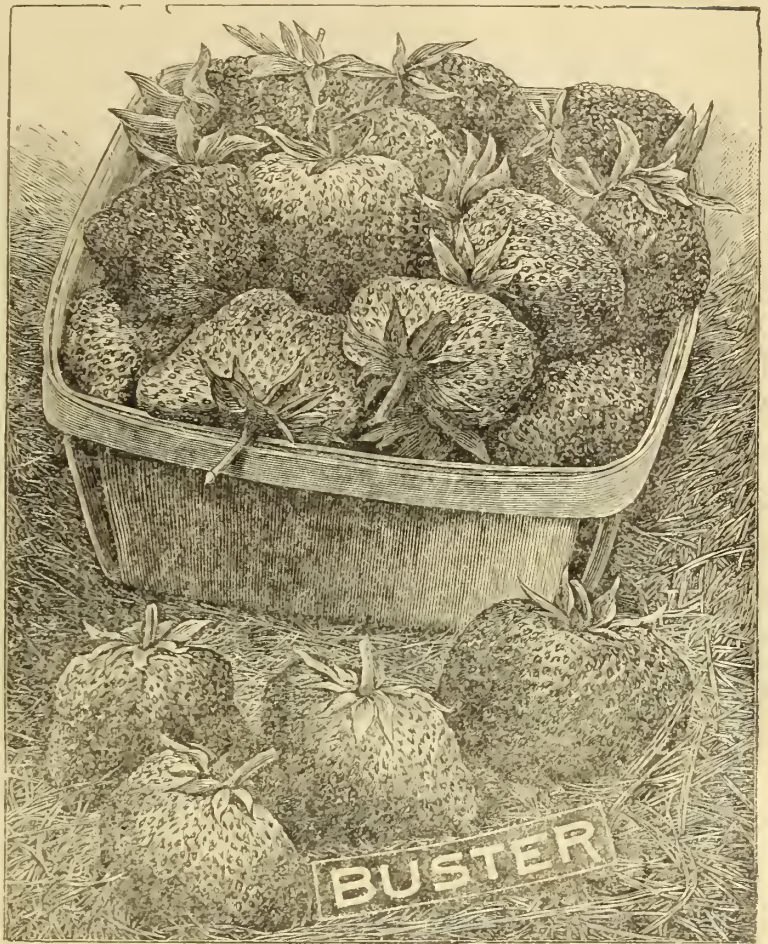
FULLEST I'VE EVER SAW.

Garland Co., Ark., July 11, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The plants I ordered from you a year ago were doing just nice when I left home this spring. They were the fullest I ever saw, and everybody that saw them said the same thing. Your customer, W. R. BOONE.

BUSTER.—During the spring of 1906, when nearly every other variety of strawberries were killed by a late May frost, the Buster gave us a full crop. It is very vigorous and healthy, having a luxuriant dark green foliage that defies a reasonable amount of dry weather. The fruit holds up large all through its long season. This is a good reliable variety that I advise my patrons to plant. It will please you from the time it starts to grow after you set the plants until you have harvested your crop. The Buster is one of the good things that seems to have been overlooked by a great majority of growers. It is a cross between Bubach and Sharpless, of large size, bright red in color, moderately firm, medium quality and medium to late in ripening. The blossoms are pistillate, but extremely hardy. I especially recommend this berry to those who admire the Bubach, but want a stronger growing plant. I quote from a few customers who bought plants from me two years ago. Peter Leonhiser, of Vanderburg Co., Ind., says: "We cannot speak too highly of the Buster. It is the finest berry we have ever grown. They were the largest and firmest on our market." J. A. Russell, of Beaver Co., Pa., says: "The Buster seems to be the best of all. It made a very strong growth and seems to stand the dry weather better than any of the others. It is an immense yielder and the fruit is fine flavored and firm. The Buster is O. K. It took very well."



people and I shall stand by the Buster." George A. Schurk, of Lee Co., Iowa, says: "I got some Buster plants from you two years ago when you were out of Bubach. I am glad now that you were out of Bubach, as I think Buster far ahead. They seem to be the easiest plants to take care of that I ever had. They made just enough runners to make a good strong row, and you ought to see the berries we got from them." C. W. Patterson, of San Bernardino Co., Cal., says: "The Buster does very well in our section." "This is a good, reliable variety, and I do not think any one will make a mistake in planting it."

SHIPPING KING.—Originated by C. W. Scantling, of Albemarle Co., Va. The plants have made a good growth, but seem more or less inclined to blight. This variety was highly recommended by Mr. Scantling, and he says it was the best on his soil. He recommended it very highly. The fruit is above the average in size, of fair quality, and firm enough to ship well.

TEXAS.—Introduced by J. C. Bauer, of Judsonia, Ark., who sent out the Excelsior. Mr. Bauer died two years ago of cancer. I understand the berry was originated in Texas, but do not know the originator's name. It is firm enough, but not quite as dark in color as the Excelsior, and in many respects it is a very desirable variety. No rust or other disease seems to affect it. Under certain climatic conditions it has a tendency to bear considerable fruit in the fall, the same as Senator Dunlap. It has a strong staminate blossom, and is a suitable variety to plant with early pistillate kinds.

PRESIDENT. Originated by Thomas R. Hunt, of Hunterdon Co., N. J. It is a seedling of a pistillate seedling fertilized with the Nick Oborer, and is a pistillate variety itself, the original stock being Crescent. It is a most desirable variety, ripening at mid-season. For large size, beauty of fruit, great productiveness and high quality

it stands very high among strawberries. It is, however, of tender texture, and is not suited for shipping to long distant markets. The plants are of large size, and under ordinary culture the huge berries literally heap on the rows. Berries are globular in shape, but somewhat irregular, deep rich crimson with a light green cap. Flesh deep red. They remain large until the end of the season, and the plants retain their rich green color until the crop has all been gathered. Highly recommended at a recent meeting of the New Jersey Horticultural Society and by numerous prominent growers. Those of our customers who read the *Rural New Yorker* have no doubt seen it highly spoken of in the columns of that paper many times.

ON TIME AND WELL PLEASED.
 Jackson Co., Mich., May 4, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I received the strawberry plants in due time and was well pleased with them.
 Yours, M. F. VREDENBURGH.

A COMPLIMENT I APPRECIATE.
 Albemarle Co., Va., March 3, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—It has been a pleasure to deal with you. I have sent you other customers.
 Yours truly, R. H. FIFE.

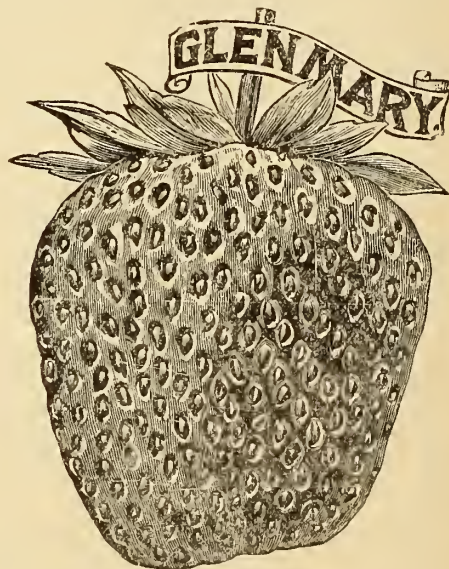
THIS IS THE KIND OF REPORT THAT MAKES US FEEL GOOD.
 Davidson Co., Tenn., Aug. 27, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—The best plants I ever bought were from you.
 Yours very truly,
 D. STEVENSON.



RED BIRD.—This is a valuable new early market berry which comes from Mississippi. It was highly recommended to me and I was induced to set a few plants about three years ago, and was satisfied from the first that it was a valuable addition to my list. It is one of the heartiest plants that I have ever handled. At this writing (December 1) the vines are still green and show very little indications of cold weather. I paid no special attention to the variety until it came in fruit in May, 1907. There was no extra care given to the variety, but simply field culture. I had one long row which showed up so well that one customer who saw it bought 50,000 plants on the spot. The same party, by the way, has just ordered 65,000 more plants for next spring. The berry is very tart and would not be considered good eating without plenty of sugar, but as a first early shipping berry, so far as I know of, it has no equal. I shall not give you a long detail description of the Red Bird, but will give you the facts as I have seen them. The fruit will average larger than the Excelsior, and will bear just twice as much per acre, and when I say twice as much I mean two quarts where the excelsior will bear one. It is one of the heartiest plants that I have ever grown. It is a pistillate variety and the earliest pistillate variety that has ever been on the market. It would have to be fruited with some varieties like Excelsior, Texas, Early Hathaway, or some very early blooming variety. With me it was just as early as Excelsior, and by the second and third picking it gave me twice as many berries to the row. If I were setting out a large patch of early berries for market and wanted the earliest that I could get, I should plant all Red Bird, with the exception of the staminate rows planted to fruit it.

GLEN MARY.—I introduced this variety twelve years ago at \$10.00 per 100. Throughout New England and the West it is the leading berry of the list today. We sell more plants of it year in and year out than any variety that we grow. I do not recommend it for this peninsula, or for the South, but for New England, West and Northwest. I doubt if there is any variety that will equal it in every respect. It is only semi-staminate, but as its blossoms carry enough pollen to fruit its own berries, it is listed as a staminate variety, but I would not recommend it to plant with pistillate varieties as a pollulizer. They are big, dark red beauties with prominent seeds of bright yellow; the meat is rich and juicy and crimson in color. They are of such high flavor that when once eaten more are wanted. As a good, firm

shiper it is very popular; for fancy local market there are few, if any, better. For this reason they are popular with both the large and small growers. It has no particular choice of soils, and does not require petting. The roots are long and well-developed, providing plenty of moisture during a drought. The foliage is large, upright in growth, dark green in color, leaves nearly round with dark glossy surface, making a beautiful appearance in the field. The fruit stems, although large and strong, are weighted to the ground by the large clusters of berries; for this reason they should be well mulched to keep them clean. The berries are just the right size to make a fine appearance in the crate, and you do not have to be timid about asking a big price for them, as everyone will pay extra to get





extra fine berries. I will repeat below a few quotations from letters received within the last month. "Last spring I had the finest bed of strawberries I ever had, but a late freeze ruined the crop. Out of the four varieties that I had Glen Mary came out the best."—Harriet Crawford, of Licking Co., Ohio. "I have grown Glen Mary for several years and find it my most profitable variety. The berries are large, showy and fair quality, handle well and are immensely productive, good plant maker, deep rooted, resisting drought wonderfully well, and above all are long seasoned."—J. Howard Broomer, of Chester County, Pa. "I have found no plants to come up with Glen Mary, taking all sides of the question into consideration."—John Ibson, of New Haven Co., Conn. "Glen Mary is the berry for Clermont Co., Ohio. It has berries in abundance and will bring a dollar more per bushel than any other berry on the Cincinnati market. Holds up well in size, almost as large at last picking as first. If I was going to set out 5,000 plants next spring, 4,000 would be Glen Mary."—Rev. E. R. Lewis, of Montgomery Co., Ohio. "Glen Mary first place. Sample second, Gandy third, Hyram fourth, Climax fifth. I give Glen Mary first place because it yields the largest amount of big berries."—Mr. T. Miller, of Chester Co., Pa. "With our experience out of sixteen varieties Glen Mary has been the best, largest and most prolific, the best looking in the box and the best seller."—J. D. Edwards & Son, of Saline Co., Mo. "Glen Mary with us is at the top of the list: It is sweeter and much better flavored and yields an immense crop of fruit. We began picking them early in the season and got our last picking a week after Champion had gone. It also held its size well during the season, which none of the other varieties did; altogether we may say it is the only variety of which we have made a success."—Wm. M. Brown &

Son, of Atlantic Co., N. J. "I do not know why, but we have tried several varieties, and none seem to do so well as Glen Mary."—F. H. Phillips, of Allegheny Co., Pa.
 I have talked with many customers about Glen Mary and the most of them in the sections where it does well consider it their best variety. Since its introduction twelve years ago I have only had plants enough to go around twice. We have a good big stock of nice plants this season, but cannot say whether or not there will be enough, as it is always in demand.

NEW YORK.—New York was introduced by me nine years ago at \$5.00 per dozen. It was the first to win the series of prizes of \$100.00 for 12 plants which I have been offering for a number of years. The berries are very large, some rather pointed, while others are thick and broad. The color is blood red with a shiny surface. The seeds are so nearly the same color of the berry and so deeply set that they are scarcely noticeable. It is a strictly fancy berry and a prize winner, just the kind to make the grower famous in his local market and give him the best trade. Small inferior berries have no show by the side of the New York, no matter how cheap they are. It is very prolific, bears through a long season, and it does not matter how fast they ripen, there are always more eager buyers than can be supplied. Its excellent quality and wonderful productiveness make it very profitable to grow, either for shipping or for home use. The can is large and stands up prominently; the foliage light green and a luxuriant grower, with an extra large glossy-surfaced leaf. The plant is one of the largest and healthiest on the place. It is a seedling of Bubach and Jessie. Since its introduction it has become very popular and there is a large demand for it all over the country. S. L. B. Mudge, of Bedford Co., Pa., says: "The New York is a very vigorous grower, fruit immense in size. A number of the largest strawberry growers here met on Main street one day this summer and I opened a 60-quart crate of New York that were not sorted at all but packed just as they were picked, and they said they were the finest crate of berries they ever saw opened." Barnes

FINE SHAPE AND PROMPT ATTENTION
 Cass Co., Neb., April 29, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—I received the strawberry plants all right. They were in fine shape. Thanks for your prompt attention. SAMUEL PARKER



Bros. Nursery Co., of New Haven Co., Conn., says: "New York done the best of any, everything considered." James Moore, of Lewis Co., Ky., says: "The New York is of immense size and very productive." Jacob G. Ogden, of Chester Co., Pa., says: "The New York variety was fine; I cannot praise it enough. They were fine berries of excellent quality. My customers were not satisfied with any other variety after once buying the New York."

HAVERLAND.—This has proven to be one of the most popular mid-season varieties which was introduced in a very modest way some thirty odd years ago and has constantly gained in popularity ever since. It is today one of the largest sellers that we have. It is a good standard berry that bears a big crop of berries that are above medium in size, quality and appearance. Anyone who is in doubt as to what to plant would make no mistake in planting this. It seems to do well in nearly every part of the country. Several years ago I asked all of my customers to vote on the most popular mid-season variety. There were twice as many that named Haverland as their preference as there was any other one kind. The plants are healthy, large and vigorous, making ample runners, and are very productive. The bloom is medium size and extremely hardy. The Haverland should be well mulched, as the fruit stems are not able to hold the immense load of berries from the ground. The Haverland is so enormously productive that the bright, large, juicy berries lie in great heaps around the plant. The Haverland has not been boomed by any introducer as have most varieties, many of which are never heard of after the first two or three years. It has won its own way on merit alone. I have seen it average under favorable circumstances nearly as large as guinea eggs. To show its immense popularity, I mention the fact that it takes nearly a million plants a year to supply my demand. It is popular North, East, South and West. We have many good reports on this variety, but it is so well known I presume it is needless to print them here.

HELEN GOULD.—Originated by J. R. Peck, of Missouri, and introduced by M. Crawford, of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. As I have not been able to test this variety thoroughly on my own

grounds, I will give Mr. Crawford's description: "Plants large and healthy, never failing to produce a good crop; makes a moderate number of strong runners; imperfect blossoms, and, like nearly all pistillates, it bears abundantly in wide matted rows. Fruit is large and holds up well to the end of the season; shape roundish conical and quite uniform, though the first berries on the stems are sometimes slightly flattened. In color it is a bright, glossy red, and the berry is firm with a rich, delicious flavor that is seldom equaled. We know of no variety that combines size, productiveness, beauty and good quality in a higher degree." Season medium to late.

GILL.—Introduced by M. Crawford, but I do not know the originator. I have a letter from a customer at South Milford, Mass., under date of September 23d, saying: "Did you fruit the Gill this year? This I think is a coming early berry for this section. It was the earliest berry I had, and was very large for an early berry. It is a very vigorous grower and a great plant-maker." Mr. Crawford says: "The plants are large, healthy and vigorous, with thick, smooth, dark, glossy green leaves. It makes many runners which root promptly. The blossom is perfect and the fruit ripens very early. My observation of it on the Station grounds convinced me that it would prove a great acquisition to those whose markets demand early berries." The Ohio Experiment Station speaks very highly of it, and in 1905 report says: "The Gill was the earliest to ripen at the Station, and the size above the average of early varieties."

FILLED WITH DELIGHT.

Earnwell Co., S. C., March 31, 1908.
W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
Dear Sir—Your favor of recent date received and filled us with delight, which was not half so great as when we opened the crate and found the plants in excellent condition. We feel that we will not lose one, as they are all planted and looking well. Again thanking you, I am,
Respectfully yours, J. H. POMEROY.

BUBACH.—Chas. J. Hyde, of Lee Co., Iowa, says: "The Bubach were by far the finest berries and brought the best price; in fact, in my experience in strawberry growing of 15 years I have never seen any berries to equal the Bubach." This is pretty strong testimony, but there are many growers who will agree with Mr. Hyde in his statement. Notwithstanding that many nurserymen have dropped this variety, I find that there is still a great demand for it; were it not so I would drop it myself, as the plants are hard to grow and there is but little profit in it, and I would not be able to furnish as many plants as I do but for the fact that within a few miles of me there is a section where this variety seems to thrive remarkably well, and I arrange to have my plants grown in this particular section especially for me, where I can get good, strong, healthy, vigorous plants.

I have been more fortunate than usual this season and have quite a good supply, possibly as much as 300,000. I think these plants will please my customers who like the Bubach, and while there may not be enough for all who want this variety, we will furnish them as long as the stock lasts in the order in which the orders are received. The Bubach has proven a money-making variety with many growers who continue to demand plants from year to year. Where the soil is rich and adapted to the variety it will bed up enough for best results for fruiting and bear large crops of handsome, large, well-flavored berries.

GOLDSEBORO.—Originated by A. T. Goldsborough, of Washington, D. C., who began several years ago a series of systematic efforts to produce from seed a variety which should be ideal in both fruit and plant. After seven years of endeavor he was rewarded by a berry which bears his name. The shape of the fruit is regular and uniform, its color being a waxy light scarlet with a deeper shade when fully ripe. Its red pulp leaves a red juice in the saucer, like its wild parent in the field. It is rich, juicy, sweet and fragrant, and Mr. Goldsborough says: "It is the only early berry I know of which can be eaten freely out of the hand. Some of the flowers are perfect, others imperfect. Its dark foliage is so fresh and green, its hidden fruit so red, glossy and sweet, that it is a pleasure to work among the plants. It ripens a little later than the first early and has made an excellent showing here."

GOVERNOR ROLLINS.—Originated by Benj. M. Smith of Beverly, Mass., and named in honor of Governor Rollins, of New Hampshire. Plants are medium size, healthy and robust, with thick, dark green leaves. It took first prize at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in June, 1907. The fruit is firm and large, perfect in shape, dark in color and fine quality, and holds up well until the last picking and matures all of its fruit. Productive and promising.

FLORELLA.—Originated by J. P. H. Brown, of Augusta, Ga. It is a seedling of the Bubach crossed with the Lady Thomson. It has dark green foliage, free from rust. Its root system is very large, sending out large, fibrous roots to a great distance. The berries are large to very large, crimson color and fine flavor. Fruit stems are long and stalky, which holds the berries up well from the dirt. Season of ripening as early as Lady Thomson, and its firmness commends it to the commercial grower. I have watched this variety for several years, and I was so well pleased with it the past season that I have planted quite a large bed and have only a few plants left, which I am offering in a small way.

GREAT SCOTT.—This berry comes from Massachusetts and was originated by John Scott, of West Newton. It was given the name of Great because of its size and Scott in honor of its originator. Also, the term "Great Scott" is a common expression for anything surprising. This is not a chance seedling, but was produced on scientific principles. It is the product of a cross of the Bubach and



Belmont. All growers know the Bouch, and the Belmont is well known in Massachusetts as an excellent variety. The foliage and fruit of the Great Scott shine as though it were varnished, having no blight or rust. The fruit is very large with a bright scarlet color turning to crimson when very ripe. Its season is from medium to late. The quality is good; the originator calls it extra. It is very productive and the fruit is very large. The Great Scott received first premium at the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in 1902 and attracted much attention. I sold the berries to the man that bought the \$20.00 prize Marshalls, considering them worthy of being placed together.

The price of these plants has heretofore been quite high, but having a fair stock to offer this season I am now able to put the price within the reach of all growers. I offer them at \$1.50 per 100, or \$19.00 per M. If you are interested in extra large berries of good quality, do not fail to give this a trial.

EVERYBODY THAT SAW GOOD LUCK AND CHESAPEAKE WANTED PLANTS.

Champaign Co., Ohio, July 7, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—I think it due you to say something about those strawberry plants I got of you last April one year ago. They grew and did their best, and all six varieties made plenty of plants. The Chesapeake was very large, uniform berries. I gave one of my neighbors a quart of them that would average as large as hen eggs. His wife said they looked like colored Easter eggs. I send you clipping from our town paper. It is as follows: "THE FINEST I'VE—Mr. A. J. Groves, one of the best known farmers of this vicinity, presented this office with a quart of the finest strawberries that we have ever seen. One of the berries measured seven inches, while many others measured 5 1/2 to 6 1/2 inches. Mr. Groves informed us that he secured the plants from W. F. Allen, of Maryland." The editor did not over-draw, as I measured several in the presence of witnesses. Now I am over-an for plants. Everybody that saw Good Luck and Chesapeake berries wants plants. I would like to say more in praise of your honest methods of doing business.

Wishing you all the comforts of life, I remain,
Yours truly,
A. J. GROVES.

BRANDYWINE.—A variety that thrives on almost any soil.

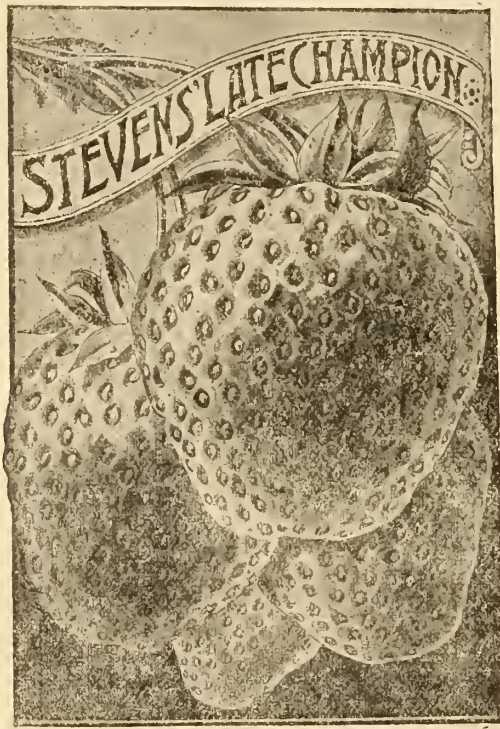
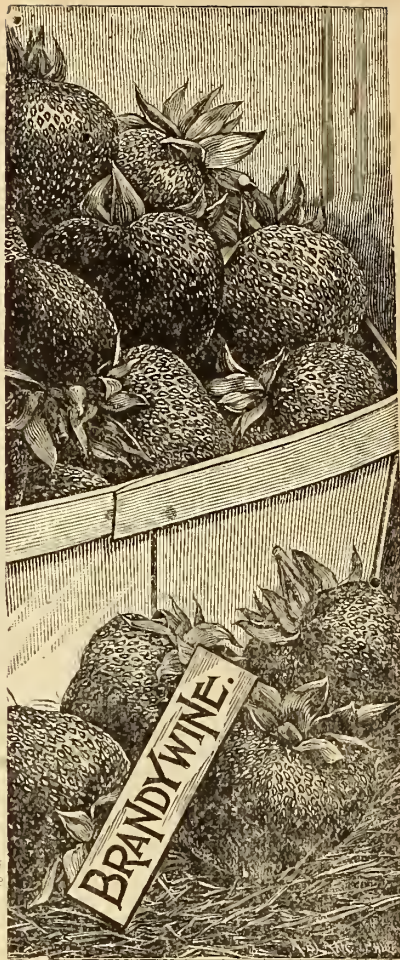
In season it is medium late. The berries are large, broad and heart-shaped, of medium red color, with bright yellow seeds and firm flesh, which is red through and through. These points, combined with large size, productiveness and firmness of texture, make the Brandywine a very valuable strawberry, especially as it has a peculiarly rich, spicy flavor that charms all who taste it. This variety gives general satisfaction throughout the country. It originated in Pennsylvania, does well all through the North and Middle States, as well as being a standard and safe berry to plant in California, Florida, the Bermudas and other tropical and semi-tropical countries.

EARLY HATHAWAY.—This variety was sent out about six years ago with many strong claims for its superiority as an early market berry. When I first saw it in fruit I did not like it and did not advise my customers to buy it. After seeing it a year later, however, I had a much better impression of it. Under favorable conditions I find it gives a very good crop of excellent berries very early in the season. I saw it in a trial plot of over 100 varieties where it proved to be of good size, firm, and of a beautiful and attractive color. It was altogether better than many other early varieties in the plot, which, however, did not include some of the later introduced. It is a strong staminate variety and a good one for fruiting early pistillates.

ENHANCE.—Berries somewhat irregular in shape, large and firm; season late. It is an excellent variety for pollenizing late pistillate sorts. Foliage is a very rich light green, and I do not remember of ever seeing a spot of rust on it. Quite a favorite with some growers on the Pacific Coast. This is a good old standard variety, and this season I can furnish a quantity of extra fancy plants.

GREENVILLE.—Originated with E. M. Buechly, of Ohio. It is considered by many an improvement on Bubach, especially in firmness and vigor of plants. The fruit is finely colored and has been reported by many experimenters in small fruits as a very fine berry. It is no favorite of mine, but as I have an occasional call for it, have been keeping a few plants in stock.

HOFFMAN.—For many years the most largely grown market berry in the South. It is very firm and is quite productive on heavy or springy land; it does not do well on sandy land. At one station about 30 miles south of Salisbury it has been the most largely grown variety for many years, and is always sold at the depot at paying prices, owing to its excellent carrying qualities. To those who want true stock of this good old reliable early variety I can furnish them absolutely pure. I merely mention this because there have been a great many mixed Hoffmann on the market.

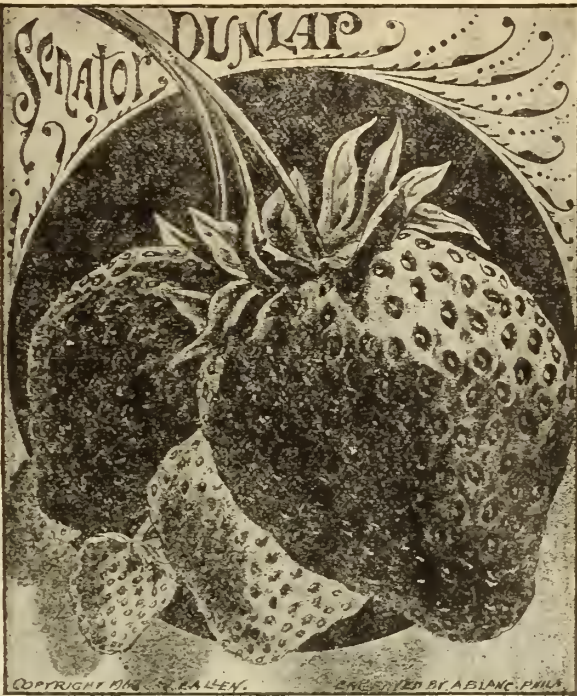


STEVENS LATE CHAMPION.—I heard so many good

things about this new berry at the New Jersey State Horticultural Society two years ago that I planted quite extensively of it. It is said to yield large crops of large, beautiful berries that ship well late in the season after most of the other varieties have ripened and gone. It is evidently a descendant of Gandy, but is a much better grower and will thrive better on a greater variety of soils. I have recently returned from a trip in Connecticut and find a great many of this variety growing, and it seems to be giving general satisfaction. It is one of the finest growers that we have. On my light soil it is not a favorite with me, but seems to be giving great satisfaction with a great many growers. M. Crawford, of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, describes it thus: "One of the newer late berries, and a very good one. It makes strong, vigorous plants which yield heavy crops of fruit and plenty of sturdy runners which take root promptly. The flowers and berries are well protected by the ample foliage. The fruit is large, long, a little flattened, and sometimes slightly creased, but generally smooth. The color is bright red and the flesh is also red, but lighter. The flavor seems rather acid, but is generally counted a good berry. It ripens all over and has a firm surface protected by prominent seeds. It is one of the best to keep after being picked and is a good berry for canning. It ripens late and makes a season of medium length."

* **FRESH AND GREEN.** *
* Pennsylvania, April 22, 1908. *
* W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md. *
* Dear Sir—Plants came safe to hand today. *
* They are very fine, fresh and green. *
* Your patron, LOUISA C. HAYES. *

SENATOR DUNLAP.—This is a berry that will do well under almost any circumstances. I have fruited it for several years and find it one of the best standard sorts. It was introduced by Mr. J. R. Reasoner, who says: "I have shipped plants from the Pacific to the Atlantic, in Mexico and Germany, and it looks as though it had commenced its journey around the world." The Dunlap is one of those healthy plants that if given half a chance will look out for itself anywhere you plant it. It is one of those varieties a beginner can depend on. The berries resemble the Warfield in color and ripen about the same time; in fact, it is taking the place of Warfield with the largest growers for various reasons. It has a perfect blossom and is a better berry, better able to resist drought and less liable to be injured by continued rainy weather during the picking season. With me it averages larger than the Warfield. The foliage is tall, dark green, upright, with a long leaf, and has more than the ordinary power of developing a heavy crown system. It has an extra long flowering season; the bloom is handsome and exceedingly rich in pollen, which makes it very valuable to plant with such pistillate kinds as ripen in its season. It has long roots which go down to the sub-soil for moisture. A severe drought seems to have less effect on this berry than on any others. The fruit is dark red with a glossy finish, shading to a deep scarlet on the under side, with prominent yellow seeds that look like gold embedded in highly colored wax. The meat is bright red all through and is exceedingly juicy. In 1907 I fruited quite a large piece that bore one of the largest crops of berries that I have ever seen. It seems, however, that they were not satisfied with bearing an immense crop in the spring, but along in August and September this same piece would pick a quart of ripe berries at a time to every forty or fifty feet of row two or three times a week. While it has a decided inclination for fall bearing under certain circumstances, we do not claim that it would do this every year—in fact, I know that it would not. It is a good safe variety for anyone to plant that are not sure as to what they should plant or what would do best. N. Johnson, of Ionia Co., Mich., says: "Dunlap gave satisfaction everywhere sold. The berries were of fine flavor and the variety did better for me than any other." M. O. Elton, of James City Co., Va., says: "Dunlap is a very satisfactory berry. I picked over 500 quarts on a patch four rods square. The berries are very good quality." A. L. Lake, of Jackson Co., Wis., says: "The Senator Dunlaps are now taking the lead for market beyond anything else."



Thomas G. Jester, of Hardin Co., Ohio, says: "Senator Dunlap was far superior to anything purchased in 1907, producing twice as many plants—in fact, twice as many berries, nearly all being fine shape and very few small ones. They are a great favorite in this section."

Last season we were unable to supply plants of this variety to all who wanted them. This year we hope to be able to do so, as we have a much larger stock.

UNCLE JIM.—Originated by James Dornan, of Michigan, some seven or eight years ago. When well grown 15 to 20 will usually fill a quart. This is an excellent variety for growers who want a fancy, large berry for home use or nearby market. It makes a strong, healthy plant, large foliage similar to New York. It is said to be a chance seedling and its parentage is not known. A good, reliable variety.

VICK'S UNCLE JOE.—Introduced by James Vick's Sons, and is very much like the New York. I am sometimes in doubt as to whether it is not identical. So far as my observation goes, the description of New York will fit as well as any I could write. Vick's catalogue describes it as being an entirely new and distinct seedling, and says the confidence they have gained by 52 years' experience in strawberry culture warrants them to say that it combines all the Vick qualities to make it an ideal which has so long been sought. They say that for home use or for market it stands today without a peer in the worlds numerous strawberry family.



ALLEN'S PLANTS THE BEST WHEREVER THEY GO.

Ontario, Canada, April 20, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—The strawberry plants arrived in fine shape. I was well pleased with them. They look as though every one will live. Thank you very much.
 Yours truly,
 WM. PLATTS, JR.

NEATLY PACKED, WILL NOT LOSE ONE
 Otago Co., Neb., April 17, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—The plants received in fine condition. I feel sure I will not lose one out of a hundred. Plants were neatly packed.
 Yours respt., JAMES A. MATHEWS.



FREMONT WILLIAMS.—My attention was first called to this variety by a Western grower, who writes me as follows: "Why is it you Eastern growers do not try the Fremont Williams? I shipped 50 crates to Indianapolis last season and they were pronounced the largest and finest seen in that market. This berry was originated by Louis Hubach, of Arkansas, who speaks in the very highest praise of it, and indeed from what I have seen I see no reason why he should not. I consider it very promising and recommend it as worthy of trial. I am so favorably impressed that I am planting quite a large block of it in my plant beds, as I believe there is going to be a demand for it. I have fruited it in a small way and it was very satisfactory. The fruit is exceptionally beautiful in appearance, being of large size, proper shape and good quality. The plant is a very strong grower with an abundance of very dark green foliage. A good one—try it."

COBDEN QUEEN.—A medium large berry, and shows up better than many of the larger kinds. It is a berry that will hold up well and look attractive in the market long after shipment. The plant is vigorous and healthy. It is very productive, firm, medium size, and crimson color inside and out.

BISMARCK.—A strong grower and very productive variety and very much resembles the Hubach in habit of growth. It has perfect blossom, especially recommended to plant with the Hubach. As this variety is well known, it is hardly necessary to give an extended description.

CHELLIE.—This berry has been on the market now for several years, but for some reason I see little of it in the catalogues, possibly owing to the fact that it makes very large plants and but few of them. This variety cannot be grown profitably at the price usually charged for plants, but with me it is an excellent variety, and produces very fine berries of good quantity, that are extra fancy, large, rather pointed, and very firm. This is just the kind to

suit your customers who want something a little better than anybody else and are willing to pay for them. I think our customers who grow a few and want them very nice would do well to give this berry a trial.

JESSIE.—This is a fancy variety that makes a great showing where the soil suits it. There are more places, however, where it will not suit than where it will. For several years I ceased to grow this variety, but quite a number of our customers kept inquiring for it, and for that reason I have put it in stock again. Where the soil conditions are favorable to the Jessie it is an exceptionally fancy berry for either home use or for market.

JOHNSON'S EARLY.—Originated by O. A. Johnson, Somerset Co., Md. Time of ripening, second early. Berries above medium in size, very prettily colored and extra fine qualities. I really doubt if there is an early berry that will equal it when quality alone is considered. Its foliage is green and healthy, and one of the most persistent plant makers. It is particularly adapted to stiff clay land, and will not bear a satisfactory crop on light sandy soil.

KANSAS.—Originated by J. J. Wittman, Emporia, Kans. Fruit rather above medium in size, and immensely productive. The fruit is a brilliant crimson, not only on the surface, but through and through. It is the most fragrant strawberry that I know of. The plant is free from rust and disease of any parts of it from California and kind. We hear excellent reports. I would advise my customers in that section to try a hundred plants and see how it will do for them. I am just in receipt of a letter from a customer in Omaha, Neb., who says: "The Kansas is the best of them all with me."



NEW HOME AND COMMONWEALTH WINNERS IN MICHIGAN.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—We received the plants in splendid condition, and although it was very warm here we did not lose any. The grocery men on the market say the New Home and Commonwealth are prize winners for lateness, firmness and size. They were very late.

Yours truly,

WILLIAM MANDLIK.



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SAMPLE.—In describing this popular standard sort I do not think that I could do better than to repeat the description given of it last year, which was as follows: Several times I have been unable to supply the demands for this popular variety. Last year I had a very large stock and thought no doubt I would be able to fill every order and have some left, but a few of the very late orders could not be filled. We always have a sale for this popular variety. The Sample seems to be giving satisfaction all over the country; the best test is its popularity. We get more and more orders every year, and if it were not a good one this would not be the case. It is one of the best for the experienced growers and a safe one for the inexperienced. It has been termed by some as a mortgage-lifter; at any rate it is too good to be omitted by large or small growers. It has an extra large bloom for a pistillate, being so hardy that it is seldom damaged by frost. The berries are large, bright red, and have a smooth, glossy appearance. The Sample is not only one of the most beautiful late berries, but it is also one of the largest and most prolific; the berries lie in piles along the rows, and are so uniform that it is seldom necessary to sort them, even by those who practice doing so. It is very seldom that we see a berry ripen so evenly as does the Sample. It is an excellent shipper, a good canner, and delicious for all table purposes. This is why it is popular with the commercial grower.

L. B. Mudge, of Tloga Co., Pa., says: "The Sample was the only variety that we purchased of you that we had fruited before and we find it is well up to its old standard of large firm berries, according to my fancy as near perfect as can grow." W. H. Gray of Allegheny Co., Pa., says: "Glen Mary and Sample were a little the best; the Sample were the largest and the Glen Mary the most productive, but they all done well." C. M. Kimball of Worcester Co., Mass., writes: "I am trying to grow the best berries that can be put in the Milford market and

I am coming pretty near doing so. The grocery men who increase their orders every year all swear by the Sample and it is a grand berry. Fine heavy rooted plants and is able to stand the dry weather, foliage green and healthy, berries large and dark red everyone the same shape and they grow very large with me. It is very productive and is my first choice." W. E. Pavis of St. Louis Co., Mo., writes: "I had the good luck with the Sample berries. I like them better than any other kinds. The Gandy does good for me also."

WARFIELD.—A well-known standard variety, very productive, mid-season, and especially popular in the West. Fruit good quality and highly colored. It is a persistent plant maker and if not kept thinned out they will mat so thick that it will be impossible for them to bear fruit of a desirable size, but if kept thinned it is very productive of medium size, highly flavored fruit.

WOOLVERTON.—Introduced by the late John Little, of Ontario, Canada. I have fruited this variety for a number of years. It will succeed on almost any soil, but will do better on a sandy loam where the soil is not too dry. The plants make a good growth, have a perfect blossom and are full of pollen, which makes it an excellent variety to plant with medium early to medium late pistillate varieties. It is no uncommon thing to see blossoms and ripe fruit at the same time.

ARNOU'S.—This variety originated with J. L. Arnout, of Pennsylvania, and is not Arnout's Improved Parker Earle, as many suppose, this being an entirely distinct berry. Has a perfect blossom, large, heavy, thick, dark, glossy foliage, somewhat resembling the Glen Mary. It is free to make plants, which are always large. The berries are bright red, solid, and good flavor. It is very productive and a good shipper.

PRICE LIST OF STRAWBERRY PLANTS

Described on page.	Name of Varieties.	By Mail.			By Express, Purchaser to Pay.				
		Postpaid			Transportation Charges				
		12	50	100	25	100	500	1000	5000
18	Per. Abington	\$0.25	\$0.60	\$1.00	\$0.30	\$0.75	\$1.90	\$3.50	\$15.00
13	Per. Aroma .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
19	Per. Armstrong .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
13	Per. Ariz. Everbearing.	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
19	Per. Arnouts .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
19	Per. Bedar Wood.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
28	Per. Bismarck .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	...	....
11	Per. Bradley .....	.30	.80	1.50	.50	1.25	4.00	8.00	35.00
26	Per. Brandywine .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	....
25	Imp. Bubach .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
21	Imp. Buster .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
4	Imp. Cardinal .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
28	Per. Chellie .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	....
5	Per. Chesapeake .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	20.00
19	Per. Chipman .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Climax .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
9	Per. Clyde .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
17	Per. Commonwealth ..	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
28	Imp. Cobden Queen...	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
11	Imp. Colossus .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	....
11	Imp. Crescent .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
4	Per. Dickie .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	20.00
11	Per. Early Ozark.....	1.00	3.00	5.25	1.75	5.00	...	...	....
26	Per. Early Hathaway..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
26	Per. Enhance .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
16	Per. Excelsior .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
13	Per. Fairfield .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
16	Per. Fendall .....	.75	2.00	3.25	1.00	3.00	10.00	...	....
25	Per. Florella .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	4.00	...	....
28	Per. Fremont Williams	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	20.00
8	Per. Gandy .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
14	Per. Good Luck.....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
25	Imp. Gov. Rollins ....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	3.00	6.00	25.00
25	Per. Goldsboro .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	3.00	6.00	....
24	Per. Gill .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	....
26	Imp. Greenville .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	...	...	....
22	Per. Glen Mary .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
25	Imp. Great Scott .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
4	Per. Golden Gate .....	.30	.80	1.50	.50	1.25	4.00	8.00	37.50
24	Imp. Haverland .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
6	Per. Heritage .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
24	Imp. Helen Gould .....	.50	1.25	2.25	.80	2.00	...	...	....
7	Imp. Highland .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
9	Per. Hummer .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
26	Per. Hoffman .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
18	Per. Howard .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
3	Per. Jim Dumas .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
28	Per. Jessie .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	...	....
28	Per. Johnson's Early..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	....
28	Imp. Kansas .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	...	....
13	Per. Klondyke .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
7	Per. Lady Thompson.	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
7	Per. Livingstone .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
9	Per. Marshall .....	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	20.00
3	Per. Mascot .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
16	Imp. Mammoth Beauty	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
8	Per. May King .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
8	Per. Meade .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
7	Per. Mitchell's Early..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
15	Per. New Home .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.50	2.75	12.50
23	Per. New York .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
11	Per. Nick Ohmer .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
12	Per. North Shore ....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
16	Per. Oaks Early .....	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
19	Per. Oom Paul .....	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
15	Per. Oswego .....	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	45.00
19	Per. Parson's Beauty..	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
8	Per. Penna. Dutchman	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	3.00	6.00	25.00
19	Per. Pride of Cum'land	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75

21	Imp. President	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
29	Per. Pocahontas	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	3.00	6.00	25.00
22	Imp. Red Bird	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Reliance	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	....
29	Imp. Sample	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
12	Per. Saratoga	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	3.00	6.00	25.00
18	Per. Saunders	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
27	Per. Senator Dunlap	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Sharpless	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
11	Per. St. Louis	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	....
20	Per. Superior	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
20	Per. Splendid	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
26	Per. Stevens' L. Cham.	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
21	Per. Shipping King	.30	.75	1.25	.40	1.00	2.50	5.00	....
21	Per. Texas	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
17	Per. Tenn. Prolific	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
10	Per. Three W's	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
27	Per. Uncle Jim	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
12	Imp. Virginia	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
27	Per. Vick's Uncle Joe	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	2.00	4.00	17.50
29	Imp. Warfield	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75
14	Per. Wm. Belt	.25	.60	1.00	.30	.75	1.90	3.50	15.00
11	Per. Wonder	.40	1.00	1.75	.60	1.50	5.00	10.00	....
29	Per. Woolverton	.20	.40	.75	.20	.50	1.60	3.00	13.75

Canadian customers wanting plants by mail will please add 5 cents per dozen, 13 cents per 50 and 25 cents per 100 to prepaid rate, as we have to pay double postage to your country.

COLLECTION "A"—12 Virginia, 12 Cobden Queen, 12 Oaks Early, 12 Red Bird, 12 Climax, 12 Early Hathaway, 12 Klondyke, 12 Fairfield, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "B"—All mid-season varieties, and a dandy lot. 12 Glen Mary, 12 Hummer, 12 Haverland, 12 Cardinal, 12 Chipman, 12 Oom Paul, 12 President, 12 Good Luck, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "C"—All late kinds. 12 Chesapeake (the best in the world), 12 Wm. Belt, 12 Gandy, 12 Stevens Late Champion, 12 North Shore, for \$1.00.

COLLECTION "D"—Early to late varieties. 12 Climax, 12 Red Bird, 12 Saunders, 12 Brandywine, 12 Chesapeake, 12 New York, 12 Bubach, 12 Good Luck, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "E"—Best quality for home table, early to late. 12 Mitchell's Early, 12 May King, 12 Dickie, 12 Marshall, 12 Abington, 12 Chesapeake, 12 Wm. Belt, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "F"—New Varieties recommended for trial, 12 Bradley, 12 Chesapeake, 12 Colossus, 12 Fendall, 12 Great Scott, 12 Golden Gate, 12 Heritage, 12 Highland, 12 Jim Dumas, 12 Mascot, 12 Oswego, 12 Penna. Dutchman, 12 Pocahontas, 12 Saratoga, 12 Wonder, 12 Gov. Rollins, 12 Goldsboro (\$6.25 value), all for \$5.00.

Express collections, receiver to pay charges.

COLLECTION "G"—25 Senator Dunlap, 25 Klondyke, 25 Saunders, 25 New York, 25 President, 25 Wm. Belt; big value, all for \$1.00.

COLLECTION "H"—Another dandy collection. 50 Good Luck, 50 Stevens Late Champion, 50 Climax, 50 Cobden Queen, 50 Brandywine, all for \$1.00.

COLLECTION "I"—All early varieties. 50 Klondyke, 50 Red Bird, 50 Senator Dunlap, 50 Climax, 50 Fairfield, all for \$1.00.

COLLECTION "J"—All late varieties. 50 Chesapeake, 50 Stevens Late Champion, 50 North Shore, 50 Commonwealth, 50 Gandy, 50 Wm. Belt, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "K"—Home garden collection; early, medium and late. 50 Fairfield, 50 Climax, 50 New York, 50 Abington, 50 Mar-

shall, 50 Gandy, 50 Chesapeake, all for \$1.50.

COLLECTION "L"—Enough for one-half acre planted in rows 3½ feet apart, 18 inches in row, suitable for home use or near market. 1000 Fairfield, 1000 Climax, 1000 Senator Dunlap, 1000 Good Luck, all for \$10.00.

COLLECTION "M"—Half-acre collection, good shipping varieties. 1000 Klondyke, 1000 Red Bird, 1000 Saunders, 1000 Gandy, all for \$10.00.

COLLECTION "N"—One acre collection, home use or shipping varieties, early to late. 1000 Fairfield, 1000 Senator Dunlap, 1000 Early Hathaway, 1000 Saunders, 1000 Haverland, 1000 Crescent, 1000 Cobden Queen, 1000 Brandywine, all for \$20.00.

COLLECTION "O"—One acre collection, early to late, good shipping varieties. 1000 Klondyke, 1000 Red Bird, 1000 Climax, 1000 Excelsior, 1000 Sample, 1000 Good Luck, 1000 Gandy, 1000 New Home, all for \$20.00.

COLLECTION "P"—New Varieties recommended for trial. 25 Bradley, 25 Dickie, 25 Early Ozark, 25 Fendall, 25 Fremont Williams, 25 Gov. Rollins, 25 Goldsboro, 25 Gill, 25 Great Scott, 25 Golden Gate, 25 Heritage, 25 Helen Gould, 25 Highland, 25 Jim Dumas, 25 Mascot, 25 Oswego, 25 Saratoga, 25 Wonder. Eighteen varieties (value \$11.15), all for \$9.00.

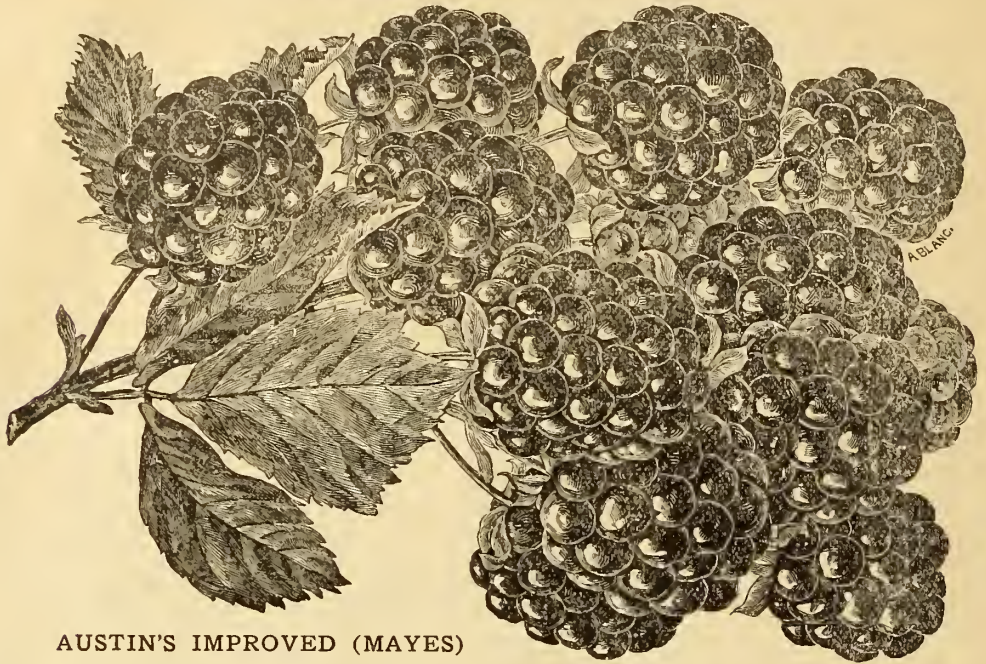
COLLECTION "Q"—Some of my favorites, new and old—try them. 25 Abington, 25 Bradley, 25 Buster, 25 Chesapeake, 25 Colossus, 25 Early Ozark, 25 Florella, 25 Good Luck, 25 Goldsboro, 25 Glen Mary, 25 Golden Gate, 25 Jim Dumas, 25 Mascot, 25 New Home, 25 New York, 25 Oom Paul, 25 Penna. Dutchman, 25 Pocahontas, 25 Red Bird, 25 Sample, 25 Senator Dunlap, 25 Saunders, 25 Three W's. Twenty-seven varieties (value \$11.05), all for \$9.00.

COLLECTION "R"—Try them all. I will send you 12 plants each of the 93 varieties of strawberry plants listed in this catalogue for (value \$20.25) \$15.00.

COLLECTION "S"—Experiment Station special; 25 plants each of the 93 varieties of strawberry plants listed in this catalogue (value \$30.85); will send the lot for \$25.00.

NOTICE—POSITIVELY NO CHANGES MADE IN THESE COLLECTIONS.

DEWBERRIES.



AUSTIN'S IMPROVED (MAYES)

The dewberry is constantly growing in favor, and is today, next to the strawberry, the most popular of all the small fruits. The vines trail on the ground similar to sweet potato vines. In size and quality it is the equal of any blackberry, and greatly exceeds them in productiveness. The plant is perfectly hardy, and commences ripening its fruit immediately after late strawberries. By planting the latest varieties of strawberries and the earliest varieties of dewberries, such as Austin's, there need not be a single day's gap between the two. The dewberry is sweet and luscious with few seeds and no hard core. The fruit has become very popular in all markets where known, and more and more are being grown every year and nearly always market at paying prices. If let trail on the ground they should be well mulched to keep the immense load of fruit from being spoiled by falling on the ground, and the vines should be cut back to two or three feet in length. The best way, however, is to stake them. Our plan of cultivation is to plant in rows each way two and one-half feet one way by five feet the other, making about 3,500 plants per acre. Cultivate both ways until plants get long and troublesome, and then cultivate only the wide way and turn vines to keep cultivator from tearing them off; or, better yet, use sweeps on your cultivator. These will run five or six inches under the vines and cut up the grass without disturbing them. Leave vines lay on the ground until all danger of winter cold is over and then very early in the spring, before buds put out, stakes should be driven between each alternate hill the two and one-half foot way. The stakes should be two and one-half feet to three feet above ground and one hill from each way should be tied to the top of the stake, using binder twine for tying. If timber is scarce the stakes can be used at longer intervals by fixing a wire along on the stake to lay the vines over, the same as grapes. When grown as above directed the plot or field in bloom is prettier than you can imagine, and will bear an immense load of attractive and delicious fruit.

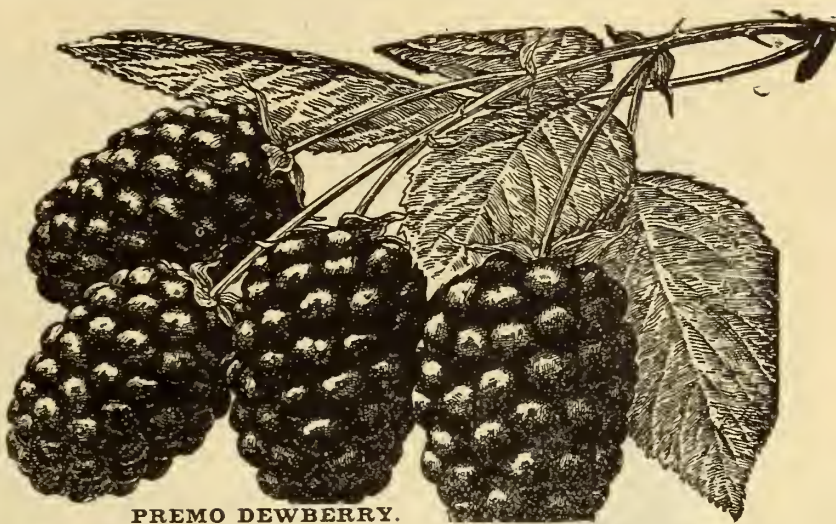
AUSTIN'S IMPROVED (Mayes).—An early dewberry of excellent quality and large yield, but the berries lack firmness for long shipment hence valuable chiefly for home use and local markets. If, however, they are kept picked up close as soon as ripe and not allowed to stand too long on the vines, they may be shipped to a reasonable distance. I have shipped them successfully to Philadelphia, 125 miles, and to New York, 200 miles, and received good prices, having marketed over one-half of the crop before other varieties

were in the way. The berries are large, short and thick. Canes vigorous, hard and productive; ripens fully a week earlier than Lucretia, and for this reason is valuable to grow in connection with that variety. I always plant about one-third of my field in Austin's. It is very hardy and never fails to give a full crop.



LUCRETIA.—The most largely grown of all dewberries, earlier than the earliest blackberry and as large as the largest of them. The canes are of great hardiness and exceedingly prolific, thriving everywhere; of slender, trailing habits, and entirely free from disease and insect attacks. The fruit is superb, large and handsome, jet black, rich and melting. This is one of the best shipping varieties that I know of. I grow the Lucretia largely for market, having had as many as 50 acres in fruit at one time.

PREMO.—The great profitability of the Lucretia and Austin Dewberry with many growers has been because they were the earliest of the blackberry family to ripen. The Premo is earlier than the Lucretia and firmer than the Austin; that means extra money in the market and an earlier taste of delicious dewberries for the family. Premo has the advantage of the Austin in being firmer and a better shipper, but a disadvantage of not being quite as strong a grower and having a pistillate blossom. In planting the Premo you should not forget to plant at least every fourth row with Austins or Lucretia to fertilize the blossoms. Remember that the Premo is a delicious great black berry that begins to ripen when the raspberry season is half over. It is a seedling of the Lucretia.



PREMO DEWBERRY.

CHESTNUT.—A new variety which I obtained last spring a year ago from Texas. This was highly recommended to me, and I have no doubt that in a warm climate it is all right. I do not believe it is hardy as far north as Maryland. My observations are taken from the fact that at one end of my plot where they were exposed there were very few berries, but at the other end where they were pro-

tected by a pine grove they bore quite a good crop. The berries were of good size, and firm. It is the earliest variety of any that I have seen. I would not be surprised if it would not prove a satisfactory variety as far North as North Carolina. The foliage is evergreen, and it blooms and bears very early. I would suggest it for trial where the winters are mild.

DEWBERRY PLANTS.

	By Mail.			By Express or Freight.			
	12	50	100	25	100	500	1000
Austin's or Mayes.....	\$0.40	\$0.75	\$1.50	\$0.30	\$1.00	\$3.00	\$6.00
Lucretia .....	.40	.75	1.50	.30	1.00	3.00	6.00
Premo .....	.40	.75	1.50	.30	1.00	3.00	6.00
Chestnut .....	.50	1.00	2.00	.40	1.50	....	....

Dewberry plants should be planted very early in the spring, as they start to grow early, and the sooner they can be planted the better. Any time when the ground is not frozen is suitable for planting them, even in the winter. In sections where there is no open weather during the winter they should be planted

just as early as possible in the spring. Do not wait until very late in the season and then blame the planter if your plants do not do as well as you expected. We can fill your order any time after you receive this catalogue.

BLACKBERRIES.

WARD.—This is doubtless a seedling of Kittatiny; closely resembles it in growth. It is vigorous, hardy and free from rust. It was found growing wild in Monmouth County, New Jersey. Its fine fruit, strong canes, clean, healthy foliage, loaded with enormous crops of large berries, always attract attention. It has now been fruited for several years, bearing large crops annually. It was very highly recommended at a recent meeting of the New Jersey State Horticultural Society. It is doubtless a variety of great merit and one of the most reliable to plant for commercial purposes.

ELDORADO.—This is one of the valuable varieties for home use or market. It is a strong, upright grower, moderately full of thorns, about equal in productiveness to Snyder. The fruit is jet black, never coloring red after picking; fully as large again as the average Snyder. The flavoring is excellent, differing from all others in this respect, imparting a rich aroma; rich and juicy, with but little core. This is unquestionably one of the finest. Highly recommended by experiment stations and growers everywhere.

MERCEREAU.—Large size, good flavor. The berries are sparkling black, which adds greatly to their market value. They remain black and do not turn

red after being gathered. The canes are exceedingly strong and upright in habit of growth. The foliage is large, abundant, and entirely free from rust. Early to mid-season.

KENOYER.—Said to be the earliest of blackberries, and remarkable in its ability to resist drought, heat and cold. It originated in Kansas, where conditions are so destructive to blackberries that but few varieties survive. It is believed to be a cross between the Early Harvest and Kittatiny. It has not fruited here, but is said to be earlier than the Early Harvest.

LAWTON.—An old favorite, esteemed for its productiveness and large size. It is of stalky and erect growth, free from rust. The berries are large and delicious when full ripe, but turn black before full ripe, and then are hard and sour. It succeeds over a wide range of country and is one of the best standard sorts. Mid-season to late.

ANCIENT BRITAIN.—A vigorous, healthy, productive variety; berries good size and fine quality.

ICEBERG.—The best white blackberry yet introduced. The berries are very attractive; when fully ripe they are pure white, and so transparent that you can see the seeds. A great curiosity. These white berries mingled with black ones present a very beautiful appearance on the dish.

BLACKBERRY PLANTS.

	By Mail.			By Express or Freight.			
	12	50	100	25	100	500	1000
Ward	\$0.60	\$1.40	\$2.50	\$0.60	\$1.75	\$7.50	\$12.50
Eldorado .....	.60	1.50	2.60	.60	2.00	7.50	14.00
Mercereau .....	.75	1.60	2.75	.75	2.25	....	....
Kenoyer .....	.75	1.60	2.75	.75	2.25	....	....
Lawton .....	.60	1.40	2.50	.60	1.75	....	....
Ancient Britain .....	.60	1.40	2.50	.60	1.75	....	....
Iceberg (white) .....	.75	1.60	2.75	.75	2.25	....	....

RASPBERRIES.

CRIMSON BEAUTY.—The only red variety I have to offer this season. Grows very rank and produces a good crop. Recommended especially for the family garden. Price \$1.50 per 100.

CUMBERLAND.—One of the best, if not the very best, of all the black caps. It is very hardy and productive. In size the fruit is simply enormous, far

surpassing any other sort. The berries are sometimes seven-eighth of an inch in diameter, and are of such handsome appearance that they usually bring the highest market price. It follows Palmer and Scohegan and precedes the Gregg in time of ripening. The bush is strong and vigorous, throwing out stout, stock canes. Price by express 50 cents per dozen, \$1.50 per 100, \$12.50 per M.

CURRENTS.

Choose a moist, rich soil for currants. Plant four by five feet apart. Keep free from weeds and grass by cultivation and mulching. Use plenty of manure and trim out superfluous wood by cutting back the new growth two-thirds each year. Sprinkle ashes around the roots occasionally to keep out borers. If currant worm appears, dust with hellebore. I am offering four varieties only, which I consider as good as can be had. They are four good, reliable varieties that will thrive and produce well anywhere that any variety will grow.

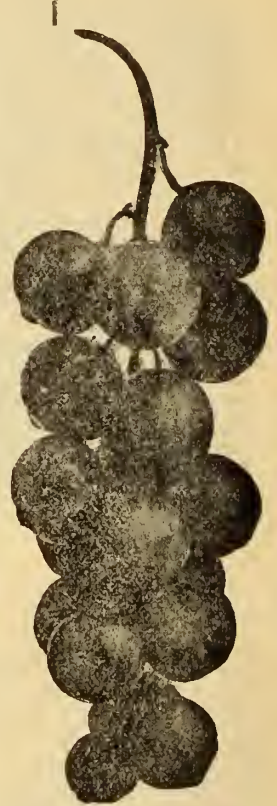
PERFECTION.—Awarded \$50.00 gold medal by the Western New York Horticultural Society. Color beautiful bright red; size of berries and cluster as large and larger than *Fayes Prolific*; very productive; season of ripening about the same as *Cherry*; habit of growth intermediate between *Fayes Prolific* and *White Grape*, of which variety it is a cross. A new variety very highly recommended. By express, receiver to pay charges, \$2.00 per dozen, \$3.25 per 25, \$6.25 per 50, and \$12.00 per 100.

RED CROSS.—The *Rural New Yorker* says: "Red Cross is the best of all, old or new, currants for midseason. It is large and productive. The masses of fruit almost completely cover the bearing canes. It is undoubtedly one of the best currants, if not the very best, on the market."

CHERRY.—Strong grower, fruit very large, sometimes measuring one-half inch in diameter. This is a most excellent red variety.

WHITE GRAPES.—This is the largest and most productive white currant. Flavor sweet, and very fine for the table.

I will send any of the above varieties, except *Perfection*, by express, receiver to pay charges, at \$1.00 per dozen, \$3.50 per 50 and \$6.00 per 100.



ASPARAGUS ROOTS.

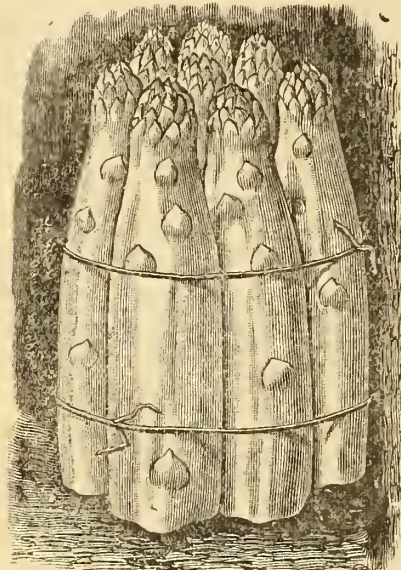
I am in a position this season to furnish some very nice asparagus roots, two-year-old No. 1, as follows:

GIANT ARGENTEUIL.—Finest and most prolific of all; stocks of immense size, attractive, rich and tender; comes into cutting condition earlier than most other varieties. Very reliable and a sure money-maker. Comparatively free from rust and blight. Price \$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per M, for two-year-old roots.

PALMETTO.—Large size, early, comparatively free from rust, and makes a heavy yield; altogether this variety is very popular and is regarded by many growers as one of the most profitable of all the market sorts. For two-year-old roots, 90c. per 100; \$4.50 per M.

Please order asparagus roots early, as they transplant much better than when shipped late.

RHUBARB (Pie Plant).—Plant in dry, rich soil to secure large, heavy stalks, in rows four feet apart, with the plants three feet apart. Set the roots so that the crown will be about one inch below the surface. Top dress annually in the fall with good stable manure and fork under in the spring. I quote good, large roots by express as follows: \$1.00 per dozen; \$5.00 per 100.



GOOSEBERRIES.

The crop of gooseberry plants for this spring's trade is exceedingly small. I can furnish a good quantity of nice plants of the Houghton seedling by the 100 and 1000 this spring. We will have Downing Red Jacket and Pearl next fall.

HOUGHTON.—A very productive berry of medium size, and for general purposes one of the best. This variety almost always produces a full crop, and never fails entirely. One of the healthiest and hardiest of all varieties. \$1.00 per 12; \$3.50 per 50; \$6.00 per 100.

DOWNING.—One of the oldest and best; large, handsome, pale green and splendid quality; fine for both cooking and table use; a vigorous grower and usually free from mildew. The most largely grown of all the large varieties. No plants until fall, 1909.

PEARL.—A cross between the Houghton and the large English variety. Very hardy, free from mildew, and superior in size and quality. It is claimed to be more productive than Downing. No plants until fall.

RED JACKET.—An American seedling of large size, smooth, prolific and hardy; quality among the best. This variety is well tested over a wide range of territory and has proven very satisfactory. It is a heavy cropper, and has bright green, healthy foliage. No plants for sale until fall, 1909.



RED JACKET GOOSEBERRY.

GRAPES.

MOORE'S EARLY.—This is a large, black variety, ripening a week earlier than Concord; berries large, good quality, and very productive. This is especially valuable as an early variety.

WORDEN.—This is a valuable black variety, ripening before the Concord; berries large, of good quality, and thin skin. It is perhaps one of the most popular black grapes grown.



CONCORD GRAPE.

BRIGHTON.—A large bunch and berry, red, resembles Catawba; very fine free grower and productive.

DELAWARE.—A small red berry, compact bunches, very delicious; always brings the highest price in market, and always considered the best for home use. It has no superior in quality.

LINDLEY.—This is a fine red variety, very productive, especially recommended for home garden.

VERGENNES.—This is a very popular dark red variety and one that should be in every garden.

NIAGARA.—Large, compact, greenish white, thin skin, very vigorous and hardy, fruit sweet and good.

DIAMOND.—Bunch and berry large, compact, greenish white, very juicy and fine quality.

POCKLINGTON.—This is a white variety, with large shouldered, compact bunches; ripens a week later than Niagara.

ELVIRA.—This is a white variety, very productive, and fine quality.

CONCORD.—An early black variety that does well wherever planted. Good size, good quality, and very productive.

WILDER.—Bunch and berry large, black, tender, rich; one of the finest; as vigorous and productive as Concord.

PRICE.—The above is an especially good selection of good standard, reliable varieties that are sure to give an abundance of fruit, covering the entire season. I will furnish any of the above varieties at 15 cents each, \$1.00 per 12, \$7.50 per 100. Thousand rates on application. I also make a special offer of sending one plant each of the above 12 varieties for \$1.00, receiver to pay charges at all the above quotations. This is for Strictly No. 1 strong, well-rooted plants.

NEWER VARIETIES OF GRAPES.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY.—This is claimed to be the finest grape that has been produced in a long time. It has a strong, hardy, vigorous growth, thin, heavy, beautiful foliage; very early and abundant, ripening, making it especially valuable. The clusters are large and shouldered, moderately compact; color black. One strong, well-rooted plant, 20c.; \$1.50 per dozen, by express.

EATON.—Bunch and berry large, showy, black, thin skin, good quality, robust and productive; season early. 20c. each; \$1.75 per dozen, by express.

WYOMING RED.—A popular market sort, berry small, good quality, color red, very productive and hardy, somewhat resembling Delaware. Valuable for home use or market. Personally, I consider this one of the best grapes grown, next to Delaware in quality. I believe this will give satisfaction to every one who tries it. 25c. each; \$1.50 per dozen, by express.

GREEN MOUNTAIN.—This is an extra early variety from Vermont; thin skin, pulp tender and sweet, quality superb, bunch and berry medium size, very hardy, vigorous and productive. By express, 20c. each; \$2. per dozen.

SEED DEPARTMENT.

I do not claim to carry a full line of seeds, but there are a great many kinds that I can handle to advantage, and in every case I shall offer these as low as is consistent with best quality and new stock. I will duplicate the prices of any reliable concern.

NON-WARRANTY.—Most of the failures with seeds, plants and bulbs are due to causes entirely beyond our control, such as unfavorable weather and soil conditions, too deep or too shallow planting, etc., which renders it impossible for us to guarantee success, and although we take all possible pains to supply only such

goods as will, under proper conditions, produce satisfactory results, we still give no warranty as to description, quality or productiveness of any of the seeds, plants or bulbs that we send out, and will not be in any way responsible for the crop, and every order for articles named in this catalogue will be executed on these conditions only. It must, however, be plain to everyone who gives the matter the slightest thought that it is to our best interests to send out only such stock as will not only grow, but prove true to name and description.

BEETS.

I have a very fine stock of beet seed of the varieties offered, and will make attractive prices to those who want large orders.

ECLIPSE.—This is one of the best table beets. It is indeed high praise to say that the Eclipse beet is almost, or quite, as early as the Egyptian; that the latter has always been accepted as the earliest of all. The Eclipse has always been recognized as superior to the Egyptian in table value. It is smooth, with small tops, fine grain and tender, bright red in color. Many market gardeners have discarded the Egyptian entirely in favor of the Eclipse. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 20c.; pound, 50c.

BLOOD TURNIP OR DETROIT DARK RED.—A splendid beet of deep red color, for home use or for market; one of the best for canning on account of its beautiful color; small upright tops and perfectly smooth roots; tender and sweet. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 20c.; pound, 50c.

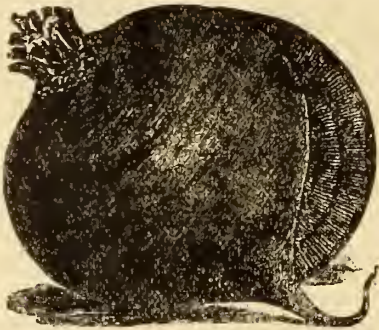
EGYPTIAN (Crosby's).—A distinct improvement on the older form of the Egyptian beet, with a larger and more globular root. It is extremely early, and smoother, better color and quality than the original sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; pound, 50c.

IMPROVED LONG DARK RED.—This is the best long red turnip beet on the market, being of unequalled quality for the table as well as to feed stock. It has yielded 12 tons to the acre. In color it is rich carmine, and in quality it is sweet and tender. A first-class winter beet. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 20c.; pound, 50c.

BASTIAN'S TURNIP.—Early, large, fine form, bright red color, recommended for market and home use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 20c.; pound, 50c.

GIANT LONG RED MANGEL WORTZEL.—The best mangel for deep soil; size very large, wonderfully productive, and superior quality. Single specimens have been grown to weigh 50 lbs. As a stock food for winter feeding it is excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 15c.; pound, 40c.

GATEPOST MANGEL WORTZEL.—One of the finest of the yellow mangels. Specimens have been grown to weigh over 30 pounds. Yields very heavy. Unequaled for dairy feeding, being nutritive and excellent for feeding to milk cows. Flesh rich, deep yellow at all times. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter pound, 15c.; pound, 40c.



BLOOD TURNIP.

BEANS.

I have a splendid stock of beans, and those in the market for large quantities will do well to send me a list of their wants for special consideration.

BURPEE'S STRINGLESS GREEN POD.—Ripens earlier than Valentine, and remains tender longer after maturing. The pods are pale green, long, straight, perfectly round, meaty and stringless. This is an excellent variety that will give satisfaction every time. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

CURRIES RUST PROOF.—Pods long, flat and tender, and of the finest quality; very productive, and one of the best all-around beans. It is absolutely rust-proof, and one of the best. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

EARLY MOHAWK.—This variety produces large, strong vines, which bear profusely. One of the hardest of the early varieties, and well-known green-podded sort of established merit. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 65c.; pk., \$1.25; bus., \$4.50.

EXTRA EARLY RED VALENTINE.—For snaps there is nothing superior to this variety among the green-podded sorts, and many prefer it to the wax varieties. Vines erect, with coarse, dark green leaves; pods medium length; very fleshy, crisp and tender. Our stock is very fine and I think equal to any that can be produced. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 65c.; pk., \$1.25; bus., \$4.25.

WARDELL'S KIDNEY WAX.—A most prolific dwarf wax bean; one of the best and earliest and most hardy of the wax sorts. Pods long and flat and of a delicate waxy yellow, very brittle and entirely stringless. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.25.

DAVIS' KIDNEY WAX.—This is the business man's bean; one of the very best for market gardeners and canners. It is a wax-podded variety, almost entirely rust-proof, and white-seeded. It is handsome, prolific and profitable, and not excelled by any of the wax sorts. It is used as a snap sort, also as a shell bean. It is of extremely high table quality and is adapted to home use and market. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., 5.25.

LONGFELLOW.—This has long green pods, always solid, and one of the most prolific green-podded varieties. The pods are of an attractive green color, perfectly straight and round, and it is a very desirable and profitable variety to grow. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.25.

LAZY WIFE'S POLE BEAN.—Thick, fleshy green pods that retain their rich, stringless and tender qualities until they are quite ripe. Said to be the best of the pole snap beans. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$5.00.



IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX.

NEW GOLDEN CLUSTER POLE BEAN.—Bears long yellow golden pods in clusters and continues in bearing a long time. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$5.00.

LIMA BEANS.

DREER'S BUSH LIMA OR POTATO BEAN.—This is a great market bean. The gardeners around this section plant largely of this variety to ship green to New York and other northern markets. They often receive as much as \$4.00 per half-barrel basket for their first pickings. The bean is very thick and plump, rather than flat and oval; it is very meaty, of excellent flavor and high table quality. It is very productive of pods always well filled; they remain green a long time after maturing. The pods are crammed so full that a basket of green pods will yield half the quantity of shelled beans. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.25; pk., \$2.00; half bus., \$3.75; bus., \$6.50.

HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA.—This is a small dwarf lima that gives you the first beans of the season. The quality is very good, though not of the best. In productiveness I doubt if it has an equal. It commences to bear ten days ahead of any other variety and remains full until killed by frost. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$3.50.

KING OF THE GARDEN POLE LIMA.—A vigorous grower and immensely productive. One of the best for main crop; standard for market or family

use, which nothing can displace from popular favor. The vines begin to produce pods near the foot of the pole, and the bearing season continues without interruption until frost. Pods are large and well filled with mammoth size, delicious beans. I know of no other that will equal it. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.00.

EARLY JERSEY POLE LIMA.—Matures a few days earlier than King of the Garden. Pods contain three or four large beans each. A very desirable variety. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.00.

SMALL POLE LIMA OR SIEVA.—Beans are small and of good quality. Quite a few people still prefer this old reliable sort for their garden. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.00.

FORD'S MAMMOTH PODED POLE LIMA.—This is a selection of large lima beans. The vines grow strong and are very productive. The pods are very large and will produce in clusters and continue to bear until frost. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

CAULIFLOWER.

EXTRA EARLY DWARF ERFORT.—One of the earliest in cultivation, smooth leaf, dwarf, for forcing or open ground culture. Produces very solid, pure white heads of finest quality. A sure header. Best imported seed. Pkt., 15c.; half oz., 75c.; oz., \$1.50; quarter lb., \$5.00; lb., \$18.00.

EARLY SNOWBALL.—An extremely early dwarf variety; produces magnificent white heads of finest quality; well adapted to hot-bed culture and the

open ground. Gives uniformly good results, and is one of the most reliable of the early varieties. Best Danish grown seed. Pkt., 15c.; half oz., 90c.; oz., \$1.75; quarter lb., \$6.00; lb., \$20.00.

AUTUMN GIANT.—One of the finest late varieties; of robust habits; heads large, compact, and thoroughly protected by the leaves. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 50c.; quarter lb., \$1.30; lb., \$5.50.

CABBAGE.

MY CABBAGE SEED IS ALL VIGOROUS, NEW STOCK AND QUOTATIONS ARE FOR BEST LONG ISLAND GROWN, EXCEPT DANISH BALLHEAD, WHICH IS BEST IMPORTED. VARIETIES PRECEDED BY A STAR CAN BE FURNISHED WITH PUGET SOUND GROWN, WHICH BY MANY ARE PREFERRED TO THE EASTERN GROWN. THE PUGET SOUND SEED WILL BE FURNISHED 10c. PER POUND CHEAPER THAN ABOVE QUOTATIONS.

***DANISH BALLHEAD.**—Choice Imported Seed. This famous cabbage was first introduced from Denmark about 25 years ago, and our seed of this variety is of the best strain. It is highly esteemed for winter use because of the great solidity and excellent keeping qualities of the heads. The heads are more solid than those of any other variety grown, and will weigh about one-fourth more than any other variety of the same size. You will notice in your market quotations of fall and winter cabbage that Danish Ballhead is always quoted higher than other kinds. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75.

IMPROVED GOLDEN WAX.—

A light, greenish yellow, quite brittle, with only slight strings when young; plants stiffly erect, bearing large crops of fine pods held well above the soil. The pods are rather flat and about four inches in length and one-half inch broad. A very popular market variety. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

BURLINGAME MEDIUM.—

Earliest, hardest, most productive and most profitable field bean in America; a favorite of the leading bean farmers in Central New York. Under favorable conditions it will yield 40 bushels per acre. It ripens early, and in a wet season remains sound and healthy where other varieties rust and spot. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$4.50.

ROUND POD KIDNEY WAX.—

This handsome variety of wax-podded beans is an improved type of the well-known Wardell's Kidney Wax, and besides having that variety's luxuriant growth, it is also entirely stringless. The pods are long, straight and extremely handsome; an exceedingly heavy bearer, and early to mature. Quality excellent. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 75c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.00.

***SUREHEAD.**—This is a first class main crop variety, very uniform in size and color, strong, vigorous grower, and never fails to make a remarkable fine, solid, large, round head. Popular everywhere. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.



EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.

***EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.**—This is no doubt the best first early cabbage in cultivation. It forms fine, solid heads of good size, conical in shape, with few outside leaves. The quality is of the best. We offer this as the earliest strain of this variety, and is sure to give satisfaction. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***LARGE CHARLESTON WAKEFIELD.**—Selected stock; large, solid heads of good quality; a few days later than Early Jersey Wakefield, but much larger in size and combines all the good qualities of an early, long-keeping sort. It is especially desirable for shipping, and is practically the best large early variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***ALL SEASONS.**—As early as Drumhead cabbage, yielding heads of the largest size, very desirable for the early spring, summer or fall use. It is a great favorite with many growers. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

SPECIAL.—When wanting five or ten pounds or more of cabbage seed, write for special prices.

***EARLY SUMMER.**—This is one of the best of the large, early, flat-head varieties. It is an exceedingly valuable market variety, adapted for close planting, and will thereby give a large number of heads per acre. It is a heavy cropper, maturing about ten days after Early Jersey Wakefield. The heads are very compact and solid, and usually double the weight of the early Jersey Wakefield. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***WINNINGSTADT.**—This is another of the old and famous early cabbages. Heads of highest quality, and it is said to be less liable to the attack of cabbage worms than most other varieties on account of its heading so hard. It is a splendid variety for summer use, and also excellent for winter use where planted late. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***LARGE LATE DRUMHEAD.**—This is an excellent winter variety; largely planted by growers who make a specialty of shipping cabbage, as it stands transportation well. Heads grow to be very large in size and heavy weight, solid and good quality; can be planted closely in field, as it has but few loose leaves. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***SUCCESSION.**—This favorite variety comes in a few days later than Early Summer, and is a good medium early, round-headed variety, which heads very evenly and uniform. It is a popular variety and largely grown for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

***PREMIUM FLAT DUTCH.**—With good cultivation on moist, rich ground, ninety-five in every hundred will head up hard. It is a standard late variety that has been a favorite for many years. One of the best for late planting. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

BURPEE'S ALLHEAD.—The largest head of the second early sorts. It is remarkable for its deep, flat heads and excellent quality, of compact growth and solid, with few outer leaves. Suitable for as close planting as the Wakefield. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

AUTUMN KING OR WORLD BEATER.—This is an extra large and solid head variety, well suited for fall and winter use. The plants are of extra strong growth and require a longer season than do the earlier and smaller varieties. Seeds should be sown in this latitude about the first of June, and if planted in time will produce a fine crop. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

CARROTS.

DENVER'S HALF LONG.—The most reliable variety for all soils and sections, and leads the whole list in popularity. It is half long in shape, somewhat stump-rooted, and of rich, dark orange color, making a great yield. A very popular and successful carrot. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

CHANTENAY.—Stump-rooted, rich orange color, productive, fine quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

IMPROVED SHORT WHITE.—A comparatively new half-long carrot, extremely heavy at the shoulders, and an enormous cropper. The crown is light green in color with white below. One of the most profitable field carrots for feeding stock. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

OXHEART.—For an early, handsome, ready-selling carrot, plant this. It is a good one. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

LARGE WHITE BELGIN.—This variety is in great demand for stock feeding and is excellent for that purpose. It will yield enormous crops growing about one-third out of the ground. Roots are white below and green above. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

LONG ORANGE.—Big cropper, long, smooth, fine-grained, excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

CELERY.

WINTER QUEEN.—Of about the same size as Golden Self-Blanching, half dwarf and compact in growth. It has many of the good qualities of the Golden Self-Blanching and is a better keeper. The flavor is sweet, nutty and delicious. Probably the most desirable of all winter celery; will keep well until March. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75.

WHITE PLUME.—This variety is still leader among the early sorts, and the ease with which it can be grown will always make it a favorite. It requires but little labor in growing, but is improved by earthing up. The inner stalks are pure white, crisp and rich. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.75.

BOSTON MARKET.—This is a good and reliable winter keeper. It blanches quite early, and when ready for market or table it makes a good appearance. It is tender, crisp and fine flavored. It is a vigorous grower, with dark green leaves attaining a medium height. An old standard of widely known excellence. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

PINK PLUME.—One of the most beautiful and best flavored of all celeries. Vigorous in growth and not likely to rust; it blanches almost as easily as White Plume, and is solid, crisp and brittle. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

PARIS GOLDEN SELF-BLANCHING (best imported).—One of the very best for general use. The ribs are perfectly solid, crisp, brittle and of delicious flavor, surpassed by no other variety, while it has the decided merit of being self-blanching to a remarkable degree. The heart is large, solid, and of a rich golden yellow color. Do not fail to give this variety a trial. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., 2.75.

GIANT PASCALL.—This is a tall-growing variety, attaining the height of two feet; stalks are thick, solid, stringless and brittle. It blanches early and keeps well. Resembles Golden Self-Blanching in flavor, of which it is an offspring. The flavor is very choice. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

DWARF GOLDEN HEART.—Half dwarf in growth, with a bright golden yellow heart. A good winter keeper, a strong grower and a great favorite. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

SWEET CORN.

EXTRA EARLY ADAMS.—Not so sweet or quite so early as the Corey, but decidedly more hardy. It is not a true sweet corn, but for all that it is welcome on the table if pulled promptly after reaching maturity. The grains are tender and white and the ear presents a fair and attractive appearance. In general demand by truckers and market gardeners. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.

STABLER'S EARLY.—Of larger size than is usual for an early variety, and of the most delicious flavor. The grains are broad and very tender. A fine variety for the home garden or market. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.40; half bus., \$2.50; bus., \$4.50.

GOLDEN BANTAM.—A dwarf-growing, very early variety; produces small, compactly filled ears of most delicious quality. By some it is considered the sweetest of all sweet corns. The kernels when matured are golden yellow, but in the milk state creamy white. Once planted in the home garden you will always want it; once sold on your local market and you will always have to have it. Do not fail to plant some Golden Bantam. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.50; half bus., \$2.75; bus., \$5.00.

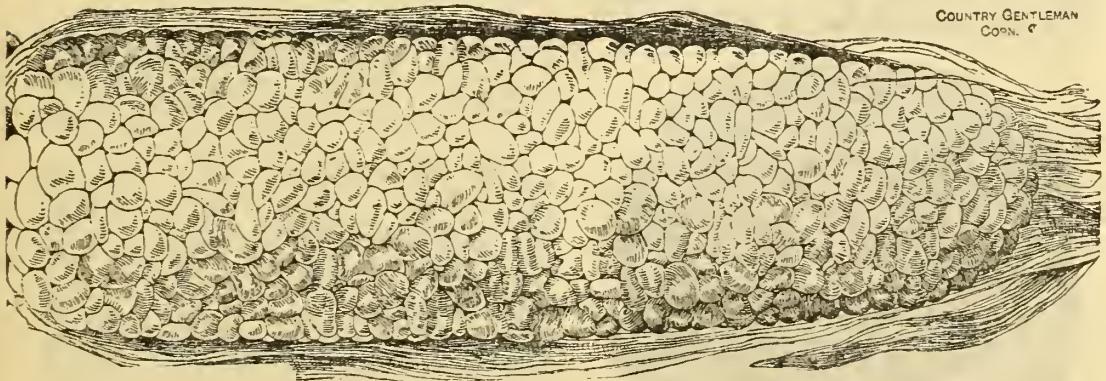
AMBER CREAM.—One of the sweetest and best of the sweet corns. This was my favorite when a boy home with my father. Quite a number of years ago we lost stock of it, and I have only been able to get it again this season. I think all who try this will be well pleased with it. The matured seeds are an amber red, but the ears when in a fit condition for use are a rich creamy color. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.



COUNTRY GENTLEMEN.—Very early, hardy, small, with compact-grained ears, well filled, and the richest, sweetest, and one of the best varieties you ever ate. Excellent for the home garden or for market. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.

WHITE EVERGREEN.—The introducer of White Evergreen claims it to be the best sweet corn in the world. The stalks make a strong, vigorous growth six or seven feet high. The ears are very large, well filled to the top with long, slender grains of purest whiteness and most delicious flavor. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.

STOWELL'S EVERGREEN.—Except for first early, there is perhaps nothing in the old standard sorts that is near so popular or that will begin to equal Stowell's Evergreen. It is one of the best for second early, mid-season or late. Every market gardener and every private market gardener in the land knows that there is perhaps three times as much of this variety grown as any other. It is in high esteem for main crops or late use, being a special favorite with truckers and canners. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express or freight, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$4.50.



CUCUMBERS.

Cucumber seed this season is a very short crop, and prices on most varieties are necessarily higher than last year.

ARLINGTON WHITE SPINE.—This variety is too well known to require a prolonged description. It is one of the best known and most popular cucumbers with market gardeners everywhere. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25.

EARLY CLUSTER.—This extra early variety seems to be giving great satisfaction. The fruit is borne in clusters, and is highly favored for its great productiveness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

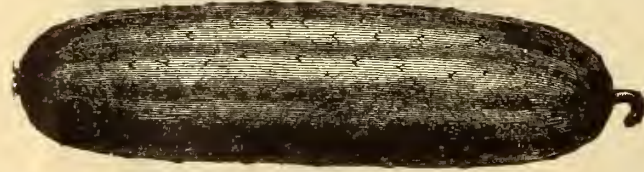
ALLEN'S PRIDE OF THE MARKET.—This is a very fine cucumber. I have picked loads that would average from 12 to 14 inches long, while yet in a crisp and tender condition before the seeds had matured. The color is very dark green, which color it retains a long time after being pulled from the vines. The vines are strong and vigorous, with large, healthy foliage. As a market variety where strictly fancy cucumbers are appreciated, or for home use, it cannot fail to become a great favorite. To anyone who buys this variety and is not satisfied after seeing the fruit, I will agree to refund the money paid for the seed. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

NEW DAVIS PERFECT.—This is one of the most perfect in shape of all of the white spine type. It is somewhat longer than the Arlington and is of intense green color, not fading after picking, making it one of the most valuable pickling cucumbers ever grown. The introducer claims that it will sell as high as hot-

and tender. Your money back if you do not find it satisfactory. Pkt., 0c1.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

PENINSULA PRIZE.—The best early market cucumber on earth. It will remain perfectly green for a month after being picked. If you do not believe this, try it and you will find that my statement is *all cool and a yard wide*. I have been growing this variety for market for a number of years and it gives excellent satisfaction every time. They are vigorous, fine quality, very productive, and in every way O. K. Seed crop very short. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

LONG GREEN.—A very popular pickling variety of the very best flavor and quality, and yields enormous. Fruit uniform in shape and appearance, and its enormous productiveness makes the variety a favorite one with pickle growers and commercial gardeners. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.



house cucumbers side by side in the same market. Its eating qualities are among the best; it is almost seedless for one-third of its length, and the seeds that are contained in it when in slicing condition are very small

COOL AND CRISP.—Extra early and exceedingly prolific. At pickling age the fruit is straight, long, even and slim, and after it reaches full size it is very dark green, almost black in color. A fine table variety, being tender and crisp. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

SMALL GHERKIN.—A curious rough little cucumber used exclusively for pickling, for which purpose it is in high favor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

EGG PLANT.

EARLY BLACK BEAUTY.—This beautiful Egg Plant is a great improvement over the well-known and largely-grown New York Improved Large Purple. The plants are remarkably healthy in their growth, and produce an abundance of large fruit fully ten days earlier than the New York Improved. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 40c.; quarter lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00.

NEW YORK IMPROVED SPINELESS.—This is a spineless strain of the New York Improved Purple, and a desirable improvement on that popular old variety. Its skin is rich purple, flesh white and of fine flavor; fruit large, fine and free from thorns, and produces continually until frost. A good, reliable variety either for home use or market. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., 90c.; lb., \$3.00.

LETTUCE.

BIG BOSTON.—A very popular variety with gardeners who want a large-heading, forcing sort, and also for outdoor winter culture. The plants are large, hardy and vigorous, with broad, smooth, thin and very hardy leaves, which are bright light green in color, and when well grown are quite tender. This is a reliable market variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 35c.; lb., \$1.25.

five green color. The heads are of large size, and the leaves are so tender and brittle as to have suggested the name. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

ALLEN'S IMPROVED HANSON.—A beautiful heading sort, intermediate with loose-leaved and cabbage varieties. Heads are very large, of fine form, deliciously sweet, tender and crisp, even to the outer leaves. Free from any bitter or unpleasant taste. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

GRAND RAPIDS.—This is a beautiful variety in appearance; excellent for garnishing, and is very tender and crisp; a strong-growing variety that retains its freshness a long time after being cut. As a forcing variety for winter or early spring use this stands at the head of the list. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

MAY KING.—A new German variety. It is very early, and being hardy will stand considerable cold, damp weather. It can be planted out of doors or under glass, and in either case it will produce large, solid heads quicker than most others. The outer leaves are yellowish green tinged with brown. A great favorite. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.50.

NEW UNRIVALED.—This is an improved Big Boston, and when I say improved this means a great deal. Coming in about the same time as the Big Boston, it makes a larger head and is in every way more desirable. Those who have grown this variety are very enthusiastic in its praise. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.50.

DEACON.—Makes fine heads of very large size and solid. The heads are light green outside, with the inner blanched portion a beautiful creamy yellow, of delicious, rich, buttery flavor. This magnificent lettuce stands all weather better than any of the other varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

EARLY PRIZEHEAD.—Adapted to forcing and to open-air culture. This lettuce forms a large, tender, crisp, loose head with bright green crimped leaves tinged with brownish red, of superior flavor, remaining sweet a long time and slow to run to seed. Quite hardy and suitable for either forcing or outdoor growth. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.



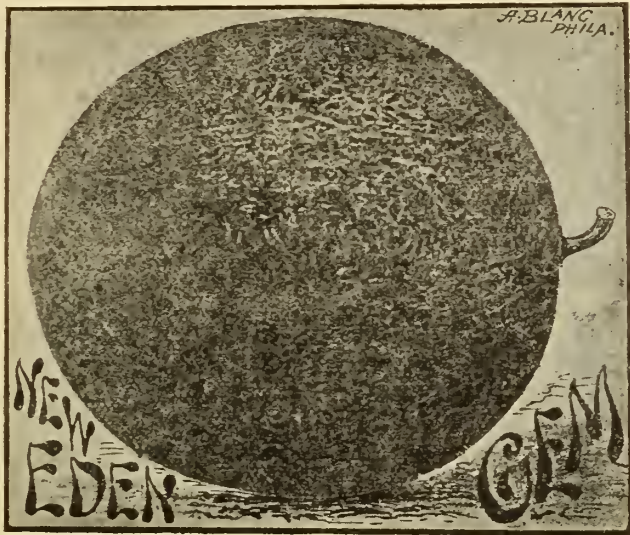
CRISP-AS-ICE LETTUCE.

CRISP-AS-ICE.—Cannot be over-praised or over-estimated for home use in spring or summer. The heads have a rich yellow heart; the leaves are thick and glossy, somewhat curled, and of a good and attractive

MELONS — MUSK OR CANTELOUPE.

One of my specialties. I have grown from 50 to 75 acres of canteloupes for market each year for the past twelve years, shipping from one to three carloads daily during the season. I save my own seed of the most of my favorite market varieties, and I know it is as good as can be grown in Colorado or anywhere else. I have grown several crops from the MUCH-OVERESTIMATED COLORADO-GROWN seed, but never had it do as well as seed of my own growing. For my own use I would not give a pound of my own selected seed for twice the quantity of Colorado-grown or any other grown. Being one of the largest growers of canteloupes in the East, I have sifted the matter thoroughly for my own benefit and know what I am talking about.

NEW NETTED ROCK.—In most respects this is very similar to the Eden Gem, being densely netted entirely across the slight seams, exceedingly firm, sweet and solid, making one of the very best for home use or market. I have selected my seed of this variety until it is the most uniform in size of any variety that I know of, packing almost perfectly 45 to the standard crate. I have grown many acres of this and find it a very profitable market variety. The crop of Netted Rock this season is very short and prices necessarily higher than last season. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.



BURRELL GEM (or yellow-fleshed Rocky Ford). This has yellow meat which is very thick, leaving only a small seed cavity. The quality is very fine indeed. The vines make a vigorous growth and are very productive, averaging about one-fourth larger than the Rocky Ford or about two and one-half pounds each. My seeds are of my own growing and are strictly fancy. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25.

TRUE ROCKY FORD (Burpee's Netted Gem). This remarkable melon is nothing more or less than a form of the old standard Burlee's Netted Gem. It is a small, early melon, weighing about 1½ to 1¾ lbs. The rind is dark and thin and light green in color. The flavor is exceedingly fine. It is a heavy cropper and much used as a market melon. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

WATERMELONS.

This is another of my specialties which I grow in large quantities for market. I grew 60 acres the past season. The seed which I offer are grown especially for me in Florida and are very fine. In comparing prices please do not overlook the fact that my seed are Florida-grown and not cheap Western seed, which costs only about one-half the price of Florida seed. If there are any of my customers who want Western watermelon seed, I can supply them of most varieties at one-third off.

SUCCESS.—This variety is rightly named "Success," as it carries success with it wherever it goes. You will see this illustrated on last cover page and also the reproduction of the certificate of the gold medal which was awarded me at the Jamestown Exposition for Success watermelons and Eden Gem canteloupes. In every instance those who plant it want it again, and those who see it at their neighbors want it

BREAKFAST LUXURY.—About the size of Early Hackensack, and is all that its name implies. It is indeed a luxury and one that any lover of canteloupes can enjoy. The vine is very strong and healthy and bears abundant crops of luscious, green-fleshed melons that make your mouth water for the second piece. Try it. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

MODEL.—This would remind you of a big, overgrown Rocky Ford, being twice the size of that variety. It originated in South Jersey, and its sweet, melting green flesh will satisfy the most discriminating customer. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

HOODOO.—An ideal yellow-fleshed melon. Average size 1½ lbs., being uniform in crates and baskets; flesh very thick and firm; excellent keeper and shipper; seed cavity small, with few seeds; flavor very sweet; heavily netted. My stock is of the finest selected. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

EMERALD GEM.—Skin smooth and of a deep emerald green color; early and prolific; recommended either for home use or market. Vines vigorous and hardy; flesh salmon-colored, thick and firm, ripening almost to the rind. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

NEW EDEN GEM.—

For many years it has been the largest grown and most popular market melon. It was originally selected from Rocky Ford stock, but has been selected and improved until it is entirely distinct and very superior to that popular old variety. The size is the same, but averages better in quality and is much firmer, thereby standing shipneut and handling with less than half the loss sustained in hauling and shipping Rocky Ford. You will make no mistake in planting the New Eden Gem, whether you plant a few hills in your garden for your own use or a hundred acres for market. The seed I am offering of this variety are all of my own growing and are saved from selected melons from healthy vines in a field where there was no blight. So sure am I that this seed will please you that I will refund every dollar paid me for this seed should it give you cause to be dissatisfied or should you be able to buy seed elsewhere at any price that when planted and cultivated under the same conditions will give you better results. Out of 100 acres which I expect to plant the coming season for market, at least 70 acres will be of this variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

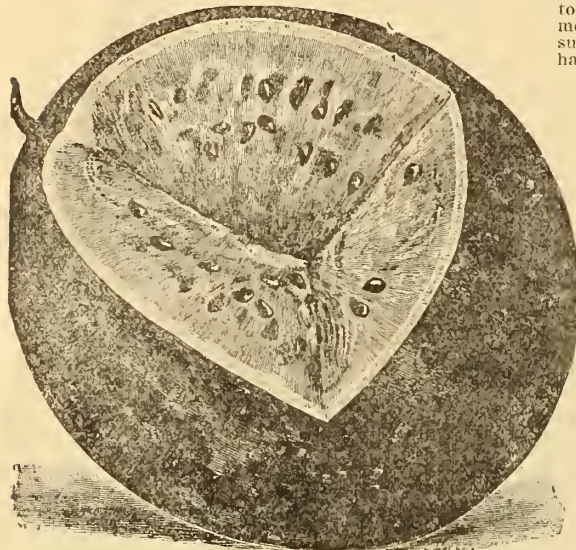
PAUL ROSE OR PETOSKEY.—This is of the Netted Gem and Rocky Ford family, being smaller in size, slightly elongated in shape, and of best flavor. Flesh salmon color. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

JERSEY BELLE.—Somewhat like Jenny Lind, not so early, but larger. The melons are flat and heavily ribbed, coarsely netted, green flesh, fine quality, and altogether desirable. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

EXTRA EARLY HACKENSACK.—An old, well-known variety; green flesh, which is rich and sugary; makes strong growth and bears abundantly. A good, reliable sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

next year. I have shipped many carloads of this variety which would average 40 pounds, and had one specimen this year to weigh 78 pounds, not especially grown, but picked up among the rest in the field. It is enormously productive, very large, with rich dark green skin. It ships as well as Kolb Gem and others of that class and has what they do not—fine quality. Its shipping quality is phenomenal, scarcely any other melon equaling it in tough skin and rind. While it is rapidly becoming one of the leading melons for market, it is one of the best all-around melons in existence, and for the family garden it is also without a peer. Last year I was unable to supply the demand for the seed of this variety, but this season I have a full ton of this variety alone and hope to be able to fill all orders, although I could easily have sold that amount or more last season. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

DARK RIND KOLB GEM OR ICEBURG. (Sometimes called Yellow-Bellied Kolb Gem).—This may be described as being very superior to the old Kolb Gem variety. It somewhat resembles the old variety in size and appearance, but darker in color both outside and inside. Where it rests on the ground it is yellow, while the Kolb Gem is white. The shape is oblong to nearly round; the rind is thin but very tough, and melons bear shipping and handling better than most varieties. It has been largely grown in this section and in many parts of the South, on account of its excellent shipping qualities. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 50c.



KOLB GEM, OR ICEBURG.

SWEETHEART.—A magnificent new shipping melon of uniformly large size and good qualities; vine vigorous and productive, ripening its fruit early; uniformly mottled, light and very light green; rind thin but firm, flesh bright red, solid, but very tender, melting and sweet. Fruit remains in condition for use longer than most other sorts. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

GREY MONARCH.—The flesh of this variety is a brilliant red and is remarkably sweet, delicious and crisp. It is well adapted to both North and South, and is excellent for both market and family garden. It is of a lightish green color and a favorite everywhere. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

HALBERT HONEY.—Planters who sell their melons in nearby markets say that Halbert Honey outsells any other variety they grow. It is essentially a home melon for your own use or nearby market, as the thin skin is too brittle to withstand rough handling in distant shipping. The vines grow quickly, so that they will ripen choice fruits even in the Northern States if planted in good location. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

BLACK BOULDER.—Enormously productive and mammoth in size, with rich, dark green skin. It cuts equal to any melon on the market, and its shipping qualities are very good. It is one of the largest varieties grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

KLECKLEY SWEET.—Claimed to be the sweetest watermelon produced, and it is especially desirable to grow for home use or near market; too tender for distant shipment. Fruits are oblong with dark green skin and very thin rind; flesh bright scarlet with broad, solid heart, which is crisp, sugary and entirely free from stringiness. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

CAROLINA BRADFORD.—A splendid melon for home use; ready for market about 85 days from time of planting. It is a large, long melon, of dark green color, with darker stripes; the rich, red flesh is sweet and melting and of excellent quality. The seeds are white. Has very strong vines and very productive. A good one; try it. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

EDEN.—A cross of Kolb Gem and Rattlesnake, combining the good shipping qualities of the Kolb Gem and the good eating qualities of the Rattlesnake. It is similar in shape and appearance to Kolb Gem, excepting that it has a brighter stripe, is a little larger and has a more attractive appearance. It is becoming a popular market melon wherever grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

KOLB GEM.—An old, popular shipping melon, largely grown in the South as well as in this section. The shape is oblong to nearly round. The melons weigh from 30 to 40 lbs. each. The rind is thin but very tough, and bears handling and shipping better than most varieties. It is largely grown on account of its superior shipping qualities. Flesh bright red; vines hardy and productive. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

MAMMOTH IRONCLAD.—Extra large, always solid and never mealy; the heart is very large and grows uniform to large in size; an excellent shipping variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

NEW NATIONAL.—It is claimed that this variety will thrive almost anywhere, even in districts where watermelons will not generally grow, hence the name *National*. Size medium to large and excellent table qualities. Shape oblong; outside color is pale with darker markings; the flesh is brilliant red in color and is remarkably solid; rind thin but very tough, making it a good shipper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

ALABAMA SWEET.—A dark green melon with light seeds; a first-class shipper of good size, with flesh that is simply delicious. Altogether it is a first-rate business melon, highly recommended for the South, where it originated, and I am confident it will be a prize-winning melon in the North in the melon-growing sections. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

WONDERFUL SUGAR OR M'IVER.—This famous watermelon is, I believe, one of the sweetest. It is of medium size, with striped or variegated exterior; beautiful red flesh with white seeds; the flesh is entirely stringless, and of perfect qualities as to texture. The vines are strong, thrifty and prolific. Originated in the West Indies and introduced into this country in 1894. It is well adapted to nearby markets, but rather delicate for long freight shipments. Recommended for both North and South. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

GEORGIA RATTLESNAKE.—Sometimes called Striped Gypsy. A very large melon with good shipping qualities. Shape oblong, striped and mottled with various shapes of green. Flesh bright red; flavor sweet and first class. A good shipper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

THE DIXIE.—A watermelon of highest quality and value. The size is large, specimens weighing 50 pounds being not infrequent. The flesh is scarlet, very fine and extra firm. The rind, though thin, is very tough, giving it a remarkable keeping quality. One of the most prolific varieties grown, often producing several melons on a single vine. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

CUBAN QUEEN.—A favorite watermelon for home and market. Exterior beautifully striped and mottled. Rind thin but firm; flesh bright red, solid and sweet; one of the best keepers and a first-class shipper. Specimens have been known to weigh 100 pounds. A very prolific and profitable variety to grow for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

HARRIS' EARLIEST.—This is an excellent variety, and it will rank as one of the best early sorts. The melons are large for an early variety; nearly oval in shape. The skin is striped and mottled with green and white; the flesh is red, sweet, juicy and crisp. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

ONIONS.

My stock of onion seed this season is extra fine, and I believe all who buy them will find them satisfactory. Every pound of old stock has been destroyed, and all seed will be filled from 1908 crop. This is a very important matter with onion growers.

YELLOW GLOBE DANVERS.—The finest shaped, best colored and largest cropper of any of the yellow onions. A favorite market variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD.—To those who prefer a red onion we recommend this as one of the very best. It yields equally as well as Yellow Danvers. Large size, purplish red skin, white flesh and fine grain. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 65c.; lb., \$2.25.

PRIZETAKER.—The best of the large foreign varieties. When started early under glass and transplanted in the open ground, this is without doubt the largest variety grown. Under special culture single specimens have been grown to weigh 5 pounds. My stock of seed is very choice. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; pound, \$2.00.

WHITE PORTUGAL.—This is a standard white variety for general culture. The bulbs grow to good size, ripen early and quite evenly. It is a good cropper; flesh is mild and sweet, with thin white skin. One of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 65c.; lb., \$2.40.

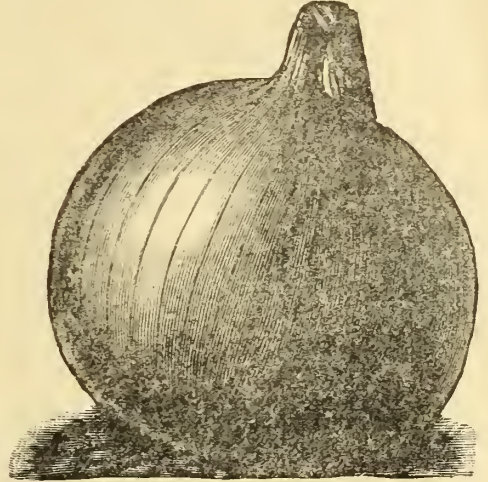
SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE.—In many markets, especially in the North and West dark red onions are preferred, and in spite of the deep color of the Southport Red Globe, the flavor is quite as mild as that of other varieties. Nothing handsomer can be grown than these dark, richly colored Red Globes. An average specimen will weigh about 8 to 10 ounces, grown from seed directly in the rows under ordinary culture. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.

SOUTHPORT YELLOW GLOBE.—This variety has matured well as far North as Central Massachusetts. The Southport Globes always command highest prices in New York markets. It is also known as the Late Danvers Globe. It is a large cropper and very desirable to grow for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

SOUTHPORT WHITE GLOBE.—Pure white color, mild flavor and as good quality and as good keeper as the yellow sort. It is very productive and always sells at the highest price. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., 80c.; lb., \$3.00.

AUSTRALIAN BROWN.—This onion has claimed a place in America within recent years and seems abundantly able to maintain it. It is of medium size and good quality, very early, rather flattened in shape, of a brown color and very hard and solid. One of the best keepers and very popular. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

YELLOW DUTCH.—A standard market sort, very productive and profitable. Flavor mild and good. An excellent keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

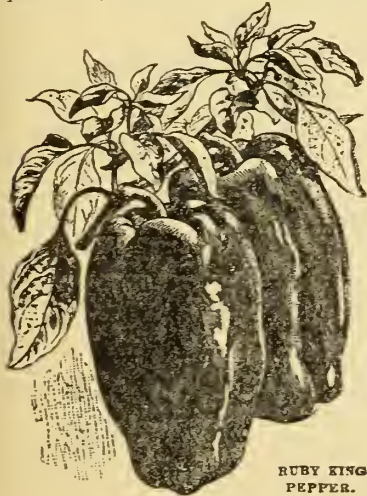


SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE.

PARSLEY.

CHAMPION MOSS CURLED.—The large leaves are heavily crimped and curled, being quite moss-like in appearance and of a peculiar, rich, extra dark green coloring; very productive and most attractive as a garnish, both on account of its deep green color and its fine, mossy appearance. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

TRIPLE CURLED.—Plant robust and a free grower, and is improved by severe cutting; large leaves beautifully curled, very dark green; stands heat, drouth and cold; yields double that of most sorts; makes very handsome plants. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.



RUBY KING PEPPER.

PEPPER.

RUBY KING.—The plants grow about two feet high and produce fine crops of handsome large, scarlet fruit which ripens somewhat earlier than other varieties. Flesh thick, sweet and mild; especially fine for salads, or stuffed for mangoes. The best market variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

CHINESE GIANT.—Flesh thick and mild; requires a long growing season, so plants should be set early. The peppers grow much larger than Ruby King, and of a bright scarlet color when ripe. The plant is strong and vigorous. The extreme size of the peppers usually surprises all who grow them. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 35c.; quarter lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00.

BULL NOSE.—A standard sweet-flavored scarlet sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

LONG RED CAYENNE.—A conical shaped variety from three to four inches long, and of a beautiful color, and borne in great profusion. This is a standard household variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

PEAS.

Although the crop of peas is unusually short this season, we have an excellent stock and will be pleased to quote special prices on large lots.

FIRST AND BEST.—One of the leading early varieties. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 60c.; pk., \$1.10; bus., \$4.00.

EXTRA EARLY ALASKA.—My stock of this variety is very fine, and while the crop is very short, we had a large acreage and therefore have a good supply. This is one of the most reliable of the early peas, and the one usually planted for early market. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.40; bus., \$5.50.

LIVINGSTON'S PROLIFIC EARLY MARKET.—It is claimed that none of the numerous extra earlies compare with Livingston's Prolific Early Market in length of pod, number of peas in a pod, or number of pods to the vine. Single plants yield 40 or 50 well developed peas as the result of one pea sown. The average yield is sometimes 50 per cent. larger than any other variety. The quality is one of the very best; one of the sweetest and finest flavored of the early smooth varieties. You should not fail to try this. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

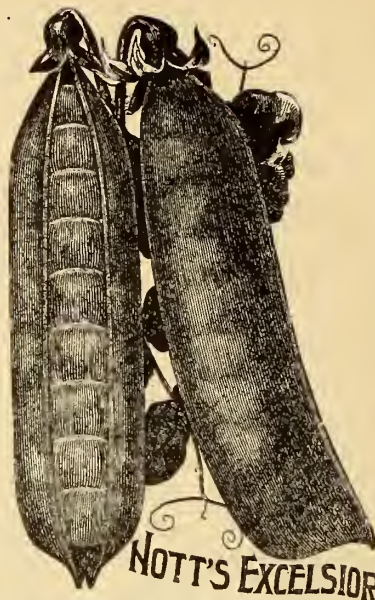
GRADUS, OR PROSPERITY.—The earliest, large, long-podded variety. The earliest green wrinkled pea; fully as large as Telephone; matures only two or three days later than the small-podded varieties. It is very popular with the market men and a money-maker for them. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 35c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., 6.75.

TELEPHONE.—Pods of large size and closely packed with large, delicious peas; grows three to four feet high, and is said to be the best quality of all the wrinkled varieties. Very productive. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.75.

PREMIUM GEM.—The best distinctly dwarf variety; grows from 12 to 15 inches high. Very popular. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 80c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.00.

LARGE WHITE MARROWFAT.—Large, well-filled pods; grows to 5 feet. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 20c.; qt., 40c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 60c.; pk., \$1.00; bus., \$3.00.

CANADA FIELD.—Valuable for cattle feeding. Excellent for early hay. Bushel, \$1.75.



NOTT'S EXCELSIOR.—A splendid dwarf wrinkled pea. The pods average three inches long and well filled. Grows about one foot high and is frequently ready for the table 40 days after planting. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c.; postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

SURPRISE.—One of the good things you should plant. A large, early, wrinkled variety that has grown to be very popular. One of the very earliest of the wrinkled sorts. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 30c.; qt., 50c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., \$1.00; pk., \$1.75; bus., \$6.50.

BLISS' EVERBEARING.—Season late to very late; especially adapted to summer and autumn cropping. It requires no sticking, and repeated pickings may be made for the vines continue to blossom and bear. It is a continuous bearer through a long season. Pkt., 10c.; pt., 25c.; qt., 45c., postpaid. By express, 4 qts., 90c.; pk., \$1.50; bus., \$5.00.

PARSNIPS.

HOLLOW CROWN OR LARGE SUGAR.—This is a popular old variety that everybody grows. Roots large size, always smooth, rich sweet flavor, and

very productive. Undoubtedly the best variety grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

PUMPKIN.

MAMMOTH POT IRON.—This is a prizewinner, growing to immense proportions. Flesh bright yellow, fine-grained and good quality. It is claimed that specimens have been grown to weigh 240 pounds. It is also one of the cheapest of stock foods. I know of some farmers who do not feed their cattle anything but coarse hay and pumpkin until long after mid-winter. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

CONN. FIELD.—This variety is enormously productive; large orange-colored and excellent for feeding stock; usually grown for that purpose, but also makes good pies. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 50c.

TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO.—Medium size, pear-shaped, slightly ribbed; color creamy white; flesh light-colored, fine-grained, dry and of superior flavor; when cooked resembles sweet potatoes in appearance and taste. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

JAPANESE PIE.—The highest quality pumpkin of foreign origin. Flesh is very thick, of a rich salmon color; fine-grained, but dry and sweet; seed cavity small; medium size early, very productive, and a good keeper. Highly desirable for cooking purposes. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 80c.

RADISHES.

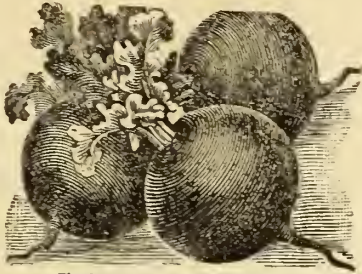
WHITE TIP SCARLET TURNIP.—Color is scarlet with white tip, as indicated by its name. It is quick to mature, being ready for the table, when forced, in 17 to 20 days from planting. An excellent market variety and no less satisfactory for the home garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

EARLY DARK RED.—A great favorite with some market gardeners. It is a fine variety and generally gives satisfaction. It is beautifully colored, as implied in its name; it makes very rapid growth and is one of the sweetest and tenderest radishes in the whole list. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

ICICLE.—Long white, extremely early. Perfectly white in color long, slender, tapering in shape. Grows quickly to market size, and is crisp and brittle; flavor mild. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

LONG SCARLET SHORT TOP.—The very finest, long, brittle, scarlet radish. It makes beautiful radishes which are always brittle and sweet 25 or 30 days from sowing. Undoubtedly the standard long, late variety for market and the home garden. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

SCARLET GLOBE.—One of the very best forcing varieties. It will bear forcing without becoming pithy in character or suffering injury to its flavor. Its attractive shape is shown in the illustration. Its color is rich scarlet, which has a small top, and is in all respects a high-grade radish. The very best early market variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.



Early Scarlet Globe Radish.

CALIFORNIA WHITE WINTER.—Grown extensively in California; 8 to 21 inches long and 2 to 3 inches in diameter. White, solid and of good quality. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 50c.

SALSIFY.

MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLANDS.—This is an improved type of the largest and most profitable salsify now in cultivation; roots large and heavier than the old long white, which I have discarded. This is better and more agreeable flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., \$1.00.

SQUASH.

TRUE HUBBARD.

Undoubtedly the most popular of all winter varieties and the most largely grown of the late sorts. It is of large size, often weighing 12 to 25 lbs. Color bluish-green; flesh fine-grained, dry and excellent flavor. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

GOLDEN HUBBARD.

A sport of the True Hubbard. Shape same as its parent, but it is earlier and more productive; color of skin deep yellow or orange red; flesh richer in color than the Hubbard and of equal quality; fine-grained and sweet. An excellent table variety and a splendid keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

GOLDEN SUMMER CROOKED NECK.—One of the best of the summer varieties; of dwarf bushy habit, and very productive; the skin is yellow, flesh is dry and of a most agreeable flavor. It is, in fact the most high yesteemed of all the summer varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 20c.; lb., 60c.

YELLOW BUSH OR GOLDEN CUSTARD. This excellent variety is sometimes called Mammoth Yellow Bush on account of its great size. The color is rich golden yellow; its table qualities are excellent. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

CHALK'S EARLY JEWEL.—Fruits uniformly large, thick through, more solid, and finer quality than many of the early varieties. Average well-grown fruits are from 2 to 2½ inches thick and 2½ to 3 inches in diameter, which is large enough for market varieties. The plant is very productive and one of the most profitable to grow for main crop or for early market. Ripens only a few days after Earliana. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

KALE.

DWARF SIBERIAN.—Of strong dwarf growth, with large, broad, grayish green leaves which are only slightly curled at the edges. Extremely hardy. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

TALL GREEN CURLED SCOTCH.—Grows about two feet high with an abundance of dark green leaves which are very much curled and wrinkled. So hardy as to be able to stand the winters of the Middle States without protection. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 30c.; lb., 80c.

MUSTARD.

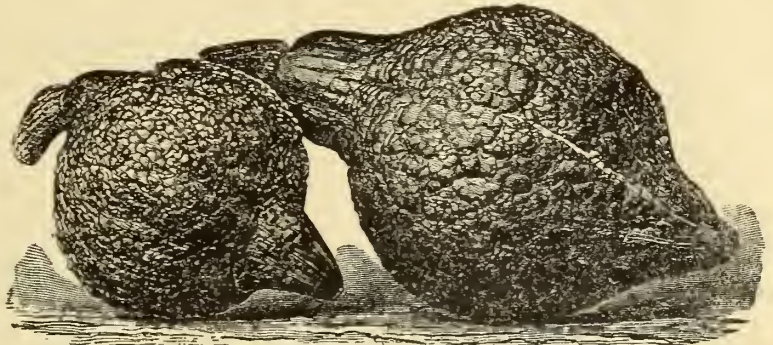
NEW CHINESE.—Large, crimped leaves, tender and delicious when cooked like spinach. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

OSTRICH PLUME.—This new variety originated in the South and is one of the most desirable in cultivation. It is of superior flavor and very popular wherever grown. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

SPINACH.

GIANT CRUMPLED LEAF, OR SAVOY.—An exceedingly popular variety; very hardy and stands shipment well. One of the best market varieties; productive, hardy, tender and well-flavored. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 35c.

NEW ROUND THICK-LEAF NORFOLK. The best for fall sowing, as well as early spring; handsome, dark green color, producing more curled thick leaves than any other; it is a heavy yielder and remains firm and bright a long time after gathering. The best and most profitable variety to grow for market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 35c.



SQUASH, GOLDEN HUBBARD.

EARLY WHITE BUSH.—Similar to Golden Custard, except that it is white instead of yellow. Some prefer this variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

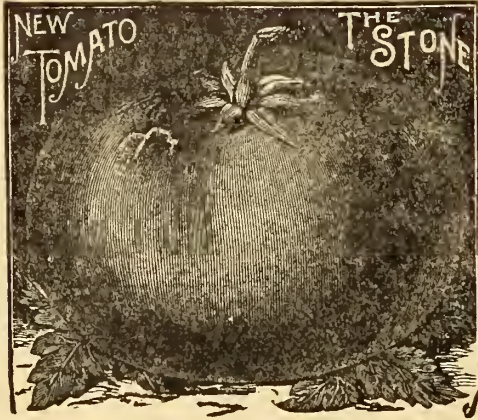
BOSTON MARROW.—This is an excellent ple squash and a good keeping variety; flesh yellow, rich and sweet. Popular for autumn and winter use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 25c.; lb., 75c.

MAMMOTH WHALE.—Often grows three feet long, sometimes weighing 100 lbs. Slate colored, prolific; flesh orange color and solid. Quality good and keeps well. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25.

TOMATOES.

SPARK'S EARLIANA.—Probably the most largely grown of all the extra early varieties. Plants are quite hardy, rather slender, open branches which are well set with fruit, nearly all of which ripens evenly early in the season. If you want extra early tomatoes, plant Earliana. Our strain of seed is of the very best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

STONE.—This has come to be recognized as the best of all the standard varieties. The color is a desirable bright red; fruit is of large size, perfectly smooth and of best quality. It is a famous tomato in all tomato sections and the favorite for canning everywhere. The plants are productive and fruit bears shipment well. I have a large stock of seed and will be pleased to correspond with any canners who want large quantities of seed for their growers. My stock is strictly pure and of the very finest. Special prices on large lots. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 15c.; quarter lb., 40c.; lb., \$1.25.



JUNE PINK.—This is a deep pink or purplish-colored tomato, having the same characteristic of growth and fruiting as Spark's Earliana, while it is

fully as early and possesses greater sweetness and freedom from acidity. It originated as a chance sport in a field of Earliana. The plants are quite hardy and adapted to the practice of most gardeners who start their plants very early and have large plants well hardened early in the Spring. Both skin and flesh are of a deep pink or purplish tint; of sweet, mild flavor. Very popular for an early market variety. Pkt., 10c.; oz., 30c.; quarter lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00.

PARAGON.—(Britton's Best.)—This is a favorite market variety and next to Stone one of the most popular canning sorts. A heavy bearer of large dark red, perfectly smooth fruit, sometimes described as being as smooth as an apple. A good, reliable sort. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$1.75.

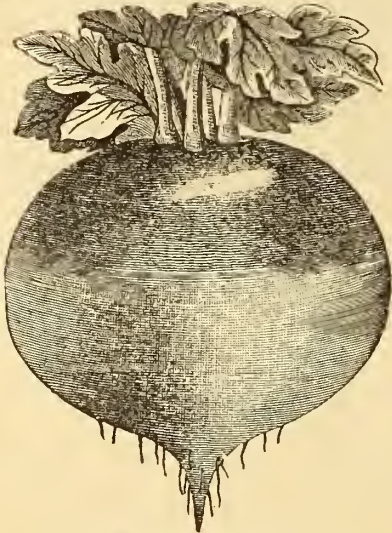
LIVINGSTON'S FAVORITE.—In proportion to size, it is one of the heaviest tomatoes grown. It is large, smooth, fine quality and very productive. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 50c.; lb., \$1.50.

YELLOW PEAR.—This is a very pretty tomato, similar in shape to a pear. The fruit is rather small, only about the size of a large plum. Desirable for pickling and preserving. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 25c.; quarter lb., 75c.; lb., \$2.50.

ALLEN'S BEST.—This is undoubtedly one of the very best second early tomatoes. Season is medium early; color is a beautiful red. The fruit is firmer than any other tomato I have ever grown and will bear shipping further than any other variety. I say this without hesitation, as I have proved it. I have shipped it to Boston by express (which is about the hardest test that could be given any tomato) and had it to sell for \$.150 per crate when other varieties would not pay expenses. As a second early variety for shipping, general crop, canning, or any other purposes, I have never seen its equal. It is very productive and anyone who grows tomatoes for market should not fail to plant this variety. It is large, smooth and firm; a heavy cropper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 20c.; quarter lb., 60c.; lb., \$2.00.

TURNIPS.

PURPLE TOP STRAP LEAF.—One of the best on the market; fine-grained and fine flavor. It is white below and a bright purple above ground; a good cropper and an excellent keeper. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.



Turnip, Purple Top, White Globe.

PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE.—One of the handsomest and most salable turnips. For market or home use it is one of the best. Flesh pure white and globe-shaped; it yields heavy and will give general satisfaction. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

WHITE EGG.—A good keeper and an excellent yielder; can be sown either early or late; grows to a beautiful egg shape with thick white skin. One of the best. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

GOLDEN BALL.—A superior table turnip of bright yellow color; in flavor it is rich and sweet; a rapid grower and an excellent keeper; in shape it is almost as round as a ball. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

EARLY SNOWBALL.—Matures very early. A medium size, round turnip. It is pure white and very fine quality. Excellent for early market. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

COW HORN.—A white turnip of peculiar long shape and quick to mature. It grows to large size, standing half out of the ground. It is fine flavored and especially desirable for fall and summer use. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; pound, 40c.

YELLOW ABERDEEN.—A turnip of highest merit. The flesh is yellow, tender, sugary and very solid; productive, hardy, and a good keeper. A valuable table variety and excellent for stock. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

IMP. PURPLE TOP RUTA BAGA.—This will make an immense yield of large, smooth bulbs that will easily keep until spring. A superb variety. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; quarter lb., 15c.; lb., 40c.

WHITE POTATOES.

I do not handle white potatoes in less than barrel lots, and I can usually supply the very best Northern-grown seed. I do not have many varieties, but some extra good stock of the best kinds. I quote Irish Cobbler and Early Rose, Aristook county, Maine, grown, at \$3.50 per one-barrel sack (165 lbs.). I have a few extra fine Maryland-grown Green Mountain which I can furnish at same price. Parties wanting 10 barrels or more will please write for special rates.

SWEET POTATO SLIPS.

There is probably no section where better sweet potatoes can be grown than here on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. My sweet potatoes took first prize at the Maryland Horticultural Society in December, 1906, the only time I have ever made an exhibit. I have an extra fine lot of slips for sale this spring which will average about 1 to 1½ inches in diameter and about 4 to 5 inches long, which I will furnish f. o. b. railroad station at \$3.00 per barrel. (I do not sell potatoes in less than barrel lots.) I desire those living at a distance to buy potato plants instead of seed or slip potatoes. Plants can be shipped anywhere in this country by express. I have the following varieties:

BIG STEM JERSEY.—This is very popular with many growers, especially those who wish to get their crop in the market before others begin to dig. This variety is a very heavy yielder and very desirable either for home use or market.

GOLD SKIN.—This is a beautiful yellow potato, usually growing very chunky. It has a peculiarity of being almost a golden yellow inside; many describe it as being all heart, and it does so appear. The quality of the variety is very fine, and one of the best grown in this section.

RED NANSEMOND.—This variety has a blood-red skin, but inside it is yellow and dry. It cooks very fine, and many think it to be one of the best on the market. Red Nansemond is especially popular in the West. Some may mistake for a Red Yam, but I wish to state that this is a distinct sweet potato and is not related to the Red Yam in any respect. Those who like a dry sweet potato cannot fail to be pleased with this variety. It is also an excellent keeper.

YELLOW NANSEMOND.—This is a chunky, smooth, yellow sweet potato. It is perhaps one of the most popular varieties grown. Yields heavy, and for all purposes one of the best.

CEDARVILLE.—Similar in many respects to Yellow Nansemond; it is said to be an improvement on that variety.

SOUTHERN QUEEN.—This variety is white and of very fine quality. It belongs to the yam family. Many prefer it to any other variety for the home table. It is not a popular variety for market. Plants only.

Slips or seed potatoes of all the above varieties except Southern Queen at \$3.00 per bbl., f. o. b. Salisbury. Special price on 10 barrels or more.



GOOD ORDER AND PROMPT.
 Jefferson Co., Ky., April 15, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—Received the potatoes in good order. Thanks for prompt shipment.
 With respect,
 M. D. LUTHIER.
 POTATO SEED IN FINE CONDITION
 Washington Co., Pa. April 24, 1908.
 W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.
 Dear Sir—Sweet Potatoes received in fine condition.
 Yours respectfully,
 J. G. S. CHALFANT.

FARM SEEDS.

ALL FARM SEEDS SUBJECT TO FLUCTUATION IN PRICES.

CRIMSON OR SCARLET CLOVER.—A well-known and favorite winter crop and soil enricher. Affording excellent early forage. Seed should be sown in August or September, 15 to 25 pounds per acre, depending on the soil—the thinner the soil the more seed should be used. It grows all winter when the ground is not frozen. I handle large quantities of crimson clover seed and can give you best prices. By express or freight, pk., \$1.50; bus. (60 lbs.), \$5.50. For large quantities ask for special prices.

ALFALFA.—Strictly No. 1 seed. Quarter bus., \$2.75; bus. (60 lbs.), \$10.00.

ALSYKE.—No. 1 seed. Quarter bus., \$3.00; bus. (60 lbs.), \$11.00.

WHITE CLOVER.—Fine for lawns or pastures. First-class seed. Quarter bus., \$3.00; bus. (60 lbs.), \$11.00.

MEDIUM RED CLOVER.—The standard everywhere. First-class seed. Quarter bus., \$2.75; bus. (60 lbs.), \$10.00.

TIMOTHY.—No. 1 seed. Bus. (45 lbs.), \$2.75.

ORCHARD GRASS.—Bus. (14 lbs.), \$2.50.

KENTUCKY BLUE GRASS.—15c. to 30c. per pound, as to quality. The standard seed all weigh 14 pounds per bushel. Our extra fancy re-cleaned which we sell at 30c., will weigh about 40 lbs. to the bushel.

GERMAN MILLET.—Choice. Bus. (50 lbs.), \$1.75.

COW PEAS.—Whippoorwill or Clay. Bus. (60 lbs.), \$2.50.

CANADA FIELD PEAS.—Bus. (60 lbs.), \$1.75.

SPRING VETCHES OR TARES.—Bus. (60 lbs.), \$3.00.

SAND HARRY OR WINTER VETCHES. Bus. (60 lbs.), \$5.00.

DWARF ESSEX RAPE.—Lb., 15c.; quarter bus., \$2.00; bus. (60 lbs.), \$7.50.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—As the prices of farm seeds are continually changing, owing to fluctuation in the market, I specially invite those who want a quantity to write stating just what they want and I will be pleased to make special quotations by return mail.

CHOICE FLOWER SEED

Through lack of space our descriptions of flower seeds are necessarily short. I wish to say however that the flower seed that I will send you will compare favorably with the best that you can buy and will give as beautiful blooms and as many of them as though ordered from the gorgeously illustrated catalogue.

NOTE.—All Flower Seeds five cents per packet except where price is given.

1. AMARANTHUS.—An annual plant with highly ornamental foliage; three to five feet high.

2. ASTERS, VICTORIA.—Bear from ten to twenty-five beautiful flowers in an elegant pyramid about eighteen inches high. Pkt., 10c.

3. ASTERS, GIANT COMET.—The most artistic flower of all the asters. Very beautiful, mostly white.

4. ASTERS, QUEEN OF THE MARKET.—The best early aster; two weeks earlier than most other varieties; of graceful, spreading habit. Pkt., 10c.

5. ASTERS, MIXED.—Different varieties and colors.

6. **ACROLINUM**.—Beautiful everlasting flowers; mixed colors. Pkt., 10c.
7. **ALYSSUM, SWEET**.—A fragrant white flower, very sweet scented; blooms freely and is easily grown everywhere; it thrives on almost every soil.
8. **BALSAM**.—A favorite quick-growing annual. Produces gorgeous masses of brilliant colored flowers in great profusion. Very pretty and easily grown.
9. **CASTOR BEANS** (Ricinus).—A highly ornamental, tree-like annual plant; if given good soil will grow from six to fourteen feet high; very attractive and beautiful for backgrounds.
10. **COTTON**.—Where not grown commercially there is few plants that would attract more attention. It is quite pretty and interesting. Should be started as early as possible.
11. **CYPRESS VINE**.—A beautiful climbing plant that is very attractive; varieties mostly red and white.
12. **CENTAUREA**.—Under this head are embraced several popular flowers. These are commonly known as Sweet Sultan, Corn Flower, Dusty Miller, etc. All mixed.
13. **DAISY**.—Almost hardy perennial plants, adapted to pot or frame culture. They are in high favor for open air edgings and borders, blooming freely from April to June. These famous double daisies are held in universal esteem; they bloom profusely, especially in cool weather.
14. **FUCHSIAS**.—Well known, tender, shrubby perennial plants, adapted to the greenhouse in winter and to the shaded open air border in summer; of easy culture from seed; one of the most beautiful and satisfactory of all the window plants. Choice mixed, 20c. pkt.
15. **FOUR O'CLOCK**.—All colors, mixed.
16. **GLOBE AMARANTHUS** (Perpetuals).—Beautiful everlasting flowers; they will last a year or two after being cut.
17. **GERANIUMS**.—An easily grown, tender, perennial plant that enjoys an almost universal popularity; easily raised from seed. Those that I am offering are very fine, and I am sure will please all who buy them. Mixed, all varieties and colors.
18. **HOLLYHOCK**.—This fine old favorite is again in the widest favor. It reaches the height of six feet or more and on account of its stately growth is unexcelled for planting along fences or buildings or for background effects. Seed sown one year will give good bloom the following year. All colors mixed.
19. **HELIOTROPE**.—A half hardy perennial, blooming the whole season. It grows quickly and easily from seed, doing best in rich soil.
20. **HELICHRYSUM**.—Everlasting flower of various colors, from white and bright yellow to scarlet; shaded and tipped; exceedingly handsome for bouquets for winter.
21. **LARKSPUR**.—Quick-growing annual and perennial plants. The annuals have a wide range of colors. The flowers are borne in great profusion, and a bed of larkspur is an effective and showy ornament.
22. **MORNING GLORY**.—Beautiful and annual climbers, growing easily in any situation. Colors, blue, white, pink, purple, etc. The most popular climbing plant in the world.
23. **MORNING BRIDE**.—One of the most desirable of the border plants and greatly improved within recent years. Some sorts are annual and some perennial.
24. **MARIGOLDS**.—Sow in open ground and thin to one foot apart. They are very hardy and make a great show, either double or single varieties. Single, mixed.
25. **MARIGOLDS**.—Mixed, double.
26. **NASTURTIUMS** (Dwarf).—My stock of nasturtiums, both dwarf and tall, is very fine, consisting of all popular types and colors.
27. **NASTURTIUMS**.—(Climbing varieties).
28. **ORNAMENTAL GOURDS**.—Great curiosity, many types and colors.
29. **PETUNIA**.—Begins to bloom early and lasts until killed by frost. It succeeds best in rich soil and sunny situation.
30. **PINKS**.—Double, Japan. Exceptionally fine, mixed colors.
31. **PINKS**.—Double, China. Mixed, all colors, very fine stock.
32. **PINKS**—Dianthus. The color of these pinks is exceedingly rich and variegated. We offer all colors mixed.
33. **PORTULACCA**.—A favorite annual for beds, edging, rock work, etc. Thrives best in rich, light loam or sandy soil. Blooms early in summer until autumn. Double mixed. Pkt., 10c.
34. **PORTULACCA**.—Single. Very pretty; some think even prettier than the double.
35. **POPPY**.—A showy and easily cultivated plant. Quite hardy and a favorite everywhere. Flowers of various sizes, shapes and colors, both single and double; always conspicuous and brilliant. Mixed.
36. **PHLOX**.—Drummondii. This is a very pretty plant. It becomes a perfect mass of color. The plants are strong and healthy, and belong in every garden. They are both annual and perennial.
37. **SNAPDRAGON** (Antirrhinum Majus).—One of the most beautiful and charming of the old-fashioned flowers. Color, white, scarlet, yellow, etc. The Antirrhinum is a perennial, and blooms well the second season, but succeeds also as an annual.
38. **SALVIA**. (Scarlet Sage).—A famous and fashionable annual bedding plant. Blooms in lavish profusion until frost. Succeeds everywhere.
39. **SWEET WILLIAM**.—Well-known, free-blooming, hardy perennial plants. Old-fashioned favorite, now greatly improved. They produce masses of lovely, brilliant, sweet scented flowers through a long period, making a splendid effect in beds.
40. **SUNFLOWER**.—Ornamental, double.
41. **SWEET MIGNONETTE**.—Valuable both winter and summer. Frequent sowing of seeds should be made. Sow where they are to remain.
42. **SENSITIVE PLANT**.—A great curiosity. Leaves fall as though dead if touched.
43. **STOCKS**.—Ten week. German dwarf mixed varieties, all colors.
44. **SWEET PEAS**.—I have a large supply and a very fine mixture of sweet peas in great varieties of colors, including many of the best and standard varieties. Pkt., 5c.; oz., 10c.; lb., 30c.
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46. **VERBENA**.—A choice annual, 6 to 12 inches high, indispensable for bedding purposes. Flowers white, scarlet, red, crimson, purple, etc.
47. **ZENNIA**.—Hardy annual plant, one to two feet high. Suited to all situations and soils. The bloom is always gay and profuse, and the range of color endless. No flowers are more showy.

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CALADIUM. (Elephant Ears).—Very large 25c.; medium 10c.; small 5c.

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WM. AGNEW.—Brilliant red, free bloomer, large; 15c. each; \$1.25 doz.

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JEALOUSY.—Lemon yellow; very fine, beautiful, free bloomer; 15c. each; \$1.25 doz.

SIR CHAS. MILLS.—A beautiful free-blooming yellow; 15c. each; \$1.25 doz.

PINK DANDY.—Pure pink, perfectly formed; a gem; 20c. each; \$1.75 doz.

KREMHILDE.—Cactus dahlia; beautiful, delicate shell pink; very desirable; 20c. each; \$1.50 doz.

WINSOME WHITE CACTI.—Very pretty; 20c. each; \$1.00 doz.

GEN. BULLER.—One of the best of the cactus varieties; blooms very free; deep cardinal red, shaded purplish maroon; many of the petals tipped with white; 20c. each; \$1.75 doz.

STRIPED BANNER.—Crimson scarlet, tipped white; 20c. each; \$1.70 doz.

SNOW CLAD.—Small, very double and a profuse bloomer. Pure white; 15c. each; \$1.25 per doz.

BEAUTIFUL MIXTURE.—My own selection; very pretty; no two alike. \$1.00 per doz.



Our Vegetable Plants

The above illustration is a view of our hot beds and cold frames with potato house and packing house in background. We have about 1100 sash, and for the last two years have been making quite a specialty of vegetable plants having sold a good many hundred thousand. We expect to be even better provided and in a better position to furnish vegetable plants next spring than we ever have before, and I quote prices as follows:

CABBAGE PLANTS.—(Early varieties.) Early Jersey Wakefield, Large Charleton Wakefield, Early Summer. Ready April 1st. \$2.00 per 1,000, \$15.00 per 10,000.

CABBAGE PLANTS.—(Late varieties.) Danish Ballhead (from best imported seed), Surehead, All Seasons, Premium Flat Dutch, etc., \$1.25 per 1,000; \$10.00 per 10,000.

TOMATO PLANTS.—Earliana, Chalk's Jewel, June Pink, Allen's Best. Plants ready for the field about 6 inches high. Ready about May 1st to the 15th. \$1.00 per 100; \$6.00 per 1,000. **LATE VARIETIES.** Stone, Paragon, etc., \$1.25 per 1,000; 10,000 or over at \$1.00 per M.

CAULIFLOWER.—Early Dwarf Erfort, Early Snowball. Ready any time after April 15th. \$1.00 per 100, \$5.00 per 1,000. Special prices on large lots.

EGG PLANTS.—Black Beauty, New York Improved Spineless. Ready about May 10th. \$1.50 per 100; \$10.00 per 1,000.

PEPPER PLANTS.—Ruby King, Chinese Giant, Long Red Cayenne. Ready in May and June. \$1.00 per 100; \$5.00 per 1,000.

BEET PLANTS.—Eclipse, Blood Turnip, Egyptian. Ready after April 15th. \$1.25 per 1,000; \$10.00 per 10,000.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS.—Big Stem Jersey, Gold Skin, Red Nansemond, Yellow Nansemond, Cedarville Southern Queen. Ready May 1st. \$2.00 per 1,000; \$16.00 per 10,000. Small lots by mail, 60c. per 100, postpaid.

NATIVES KNOCKED OUT.

Monmouth Co., N. J., Jan. 27, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The sweet potato plants I got of you last spring knocked the natives away out. Truly yours,

WM. J. ELY.

DELIGHTED.

Christian Co., Ky., June 6, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The plants came to hand yesterday and I must say to you I am delighted with them. I never saw such a demand for potato sprouts. With thanks I am very respectfully,

A. W. WILLIAMS.

PERFECT CONDITION.

Westchester Co., N. Y., May 26, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The sweet potato sprouts came in perfect condition; look as if they would all live. Thanks. Yours truly,

E. N. BARRETT.

WOULD HAVE WENT TO CALIFORNIA.

Spottsylvania Co., Va., May 28, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The sweet potato plants arrived safe and in good condition. They were well packed and I think would have stood a journey to California. Many thanks for prompt shipment. Yours resp.,

W. B. WARREN.

SWEET POTATO SPROUTS TO UTAH.

Davis Co., Utah, Feb. 11, 1908.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The sweet potato sprouts ordered from you last year came in fine condition, considering they were on the road six days. You give the biggest count of anyone I ever bought plants of. Yours truly,

AUSTIN JOHNSON.

THEY ARE FINE AND I HAVE LOT MORE.

W. F. ALLEN, Salisbury, Md.

Dear Sir—The California Privet shipped by you arrived in good condition and I am very much pleased with the plants.

Yours very truly,

MRS. GEO. E. CRAWFORD.

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