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## THE GRIFFING BROTHERS CO.

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BAKER COUNTY

MACCLENNY, FLORIDA



OVIEDO PEACH ORCHARD AND CRAB GRASS MEADOW.

The above orchard was planted early in the year of 1894 with medium size 1-year-old trees. Nursery stock was raised between the orchard rows in 1894 and 1895. The above photo was taken in September, 1896, or about 10 weeks after a large crop of fruit had been taken from the trees. There is 15 acres in the orchard, and in 1895, 18 months from planting, over \$500 was realized from fruit shipped. In 1896 \$1,250 was received for the fruit, above all expenses. The cost of the orchard, outside of the land and clearing, has not been \$500. Two crops of trees have been raised between the rows (the same could be done with vegetables or cotton) besides the heavy crop of hay, which appears in the above photograph.

Any one can do as well, or better.

# Announcement...

MACCLENNY, FLA., Sept. 1, 1896.

TO MY MANY FRIENDS AND PATRONS:

I take pleasure in announcing the transfer of my business to The Griffing Brothers Company, which is now being incorporated under the laws of the state of Florida, with a paid-up capital of \$25,000.

The management will remain practically the same as heretofore, my brothers having been almost steadily employed in the business since its beginning, in about the same capacity as that in which they will act in the incorporated company. The officers of The Griffing Brothers Company will be: W. D. Griffing, President: W. C. Griffing, Vice President and General Manager; C. M. Griffing, Secretary and Treasurer; A. M. Griffing, Superintendent of Propagation.

This business has grown in extent from a one-ox plow and cart outfit and ten acres of land, with a small local business, in 1888, to a fully equipped plant, with all the modern requisites of an up to date nursery, using ten head of horses and mules, and nearly 300 acres of land. We are doing business in nearly every state and territory in the Union, shipping largely in car-load lots both North and West, often into the thickest nursery centers, to firms that have been in the nursery business for half a century, who claim that our stock is cheaper and better for them than that of their own growing.

In justice to the business, and the best interest of my customers, this change was made, and I feel that all will be served more satisfactorily and to better advantage by this business-like method of conducting the enterprise. The officers of this company are all energetic young men, who expect that by honesty, push and a thorough knowledge of the business they will never let this

Nursery rank second to any in the country.

Thanking my many friends for their liberal patronage, to which alone my success has been due, and asking for the new firm a continuance of their favors, I remain Very respectfully yours,

W. D. GRIFFING.

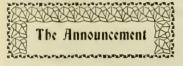


### OMONA NURSERIES, 1897.

### THE GRIFFING BROTHERS COMPANY,

### Macclenny, Baker County, Florida...

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on inside cover was sent to the most of our patrons on the date of organization, and we have received a great number of congratulations and comments from parties receiving it. Many seem desirous of knowing more about us, so we herewith submit some questions that have been asked, or might be asked, with answers, thinking it a good

way to let people become better acquainted with us and our facilities for business.

QUESTION. What advantages has your section over other parts of Florida and the Lower South for the Nursery business?

Answer. The advantages of our section are numerous. Being located on the high rolling pine lands along the south prong of the St. Marys River, where the largest pine timber ever produced has been cut, we have a dark, sandy loam, with a clay subsoil from r to 3 feet under the surface. This is pine land the quality of which we have never seen equaled in the lower South. We have natural drainage, and suffer very little from drouth. Our location is about on the dividing line between where varieties of fruit that are planted in Georgia and the more northern and western states and strictly Florida varieties succeed well, we usually having good crops of both, and the nursery stock raised here being equally well adapted to both.

Q. How do you manage and work your labor?

A. Labor is always one of the greatest problems any enterprise has to contend with, and were any one or two of us alone, we believe it would be too great a problem here. For the greater portion of our work, colored labor is the only available class, and only the best and most competent are used, and they are worked under a perfect system, in gangs of from half a dozen to two dozen, always under the eye of an experienced white man, commanding their respect and having perfect control over them, when they make good labor. There are five of the Griffing Brothers (the youngest being nearly twenty-one years of age), and four out of the five can nearly always be found with a gang of hands, personally overseeing every part of the work. All budding, grafting, or other propagation and packing is done by nurserymen of many years' experience.

Q. What are your strongest points of advantage over other Nurseries?

A. We have many strong points of advantage. Among the best are our long growing seasons, fertile soil, natural drainage, no irrigation required, cheap labor, a location which enables us to grow trees perfectly adapted to all sections of the country, and above all, a thorough knowledge of our business!

Q. Do you raise fruit for market?

A We do, and are now the largest growers and shippers of fruit from this part of the state. Our Peach, Plum, Pear and Persimmon orchards are the pride of the community, and whenever a prospective settler comes near here he is nearly always brought to our place and driven through our orchards, to show him what can be done. Our orchards are handsome and also profitable. From one 15-acre peach orchard two years old, we netted \$1,250 in 1896.

Q. Do you have special test orchards?

A. We do, and whenever any new variety of fruit is advertised we buy it and it is added to our test orchards, and we also give much time and attention to the crossing of some of the best and choicest fruits, hoping by this method to obtain new and valuable varieties. We now have nearly twenty acres devoted to such purposes, and the public is getting the benefit of our experience.

Q. Do you raise any farm crops?

A. Our farming is limited to the raising of hay and grain for our own stock. We usually grow sufficient feed for our own use, planting in the fall a crop of oats, and about 50 acres of corn every spring. Good hay is raised in our oldest orchards and on land oats has been taken from. By having good machinery for this work, we raise plenty of feed to keep ten head of horses or mules and five milch cows on dry feed all the year round.

O. What are your shipping facilities?

A. Being on the main line of the F., C. & P. R. R., only 28 miles from Jacksonville, where we get water transportation to eastern points and connections with all the great trunk lines of the South, we are in touch with all shipping points. We have double daily mail, express and freight service.

Q. How can you afford to pay freight?

A. Many people have a dread of freight charges, and especially so if a hundred miles or more from the nursery, and will often buy of local dealers or canvassers, and pay extravagant prices, rather than order from a reliable nursery that propagates its own trees, because it is a distance from them. Our plan puts a Nursery at your own door, and at as low prices as good trees are ever sold.

Q. Why do you make a new application of rates?

A. Small planters will often order a large lot of trees, a few of a variety, and do not like to pay single and ten rates in order to enable them to get a good selection. So we have made a new system, giving the purchaser a chance to make up a large order and get a good variety at 100 or 1,000 rates.

Q. Why is your stock always so bright, clean and free from disease?

A. We are in a comparatively new section of country, where injurious insects and diseases are almost entirely unknown. Thus we have none of the pests that infest old fruit-growing sections! Our growing season is so long that we can make equally as good and large stock in one year as most northern nurseries can in two or three years, consequently our stock is always bright and clean looking.

Q. How do you grade stock?

A. Our grading is done in the most careful manner, every tree being accurately measured before being packed, and none but good, stocky, thrifty, well-proportioned trees ever being used.

Q. How do you pack your trees?

A. Our trees are packed in good boxes or bales, according to the size of order or distance of shipment, fresh sphagnum moss being littered among and around the roots, and clean, dry straw placed around and between the tops, to prevent chafing.

Q. How far can you ship trees?

A. A question we cannot answer accurately. We have never sent stock to a customer (no matter how far) but that word came back to us that the stock arrived in good condition. It has been packed 40 days and received in first class-condition.

O. Why do you not issue a large, showy Catalogue?

A. Those who get out expensive Catalogues always charge enough more for their stock to make up for the extra cost of Catalogue. We prefer to give the best possible stock at the lowest possible price, investing our customers' money in trees rather than in lengthy and flashy Catalogues.

### Terms and Conditions.

#### READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SENDING YOUR ORDER.

Packing is done in a most thorough manner, in good boxes or bales, for which no charge is made. Guarantee. Everything shipped out by us is guaranteed to be strictly healthy, carefully graded, well rooted, true to label, and properly packed, and we hold ourselves liable under this guarantee to refund original price received or replace stock in case of

default, but no more. All claims for damages or deficiencies must be made

inside of five days from receipt of stock. Substitution. When out of varieties or sizes ordered we substitute, unless

instructed to the contrary, always giving the purchaser the benefit of our best judgment in so doing. In all cases we will cheerfully refund the money instead of substituting, if so requested. Application of Rates. Where 500 or more trees are ordered at one time we allow the purchaser to

select as few as 100 of a variety at 1,000 rates, where 50 or more are ordered, we allow as few as 10 of a variety at 100 rates. Five trees of one variety go at 10 rates.

Select Fruit for Entire Season.

Freight Prepaid. On all orders amounting to over \$5, and which are accompanied by the full amount of the order in cash, we

will prepay the freight to all shipping points in Florida and Georgia, and to the following distributing points in other states: New York, N. Y.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Baltimore, Md; Greensboro and Wilmington, N. C.; Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile, Ala; Chattanooga, Tenn.; New Orleans, La., and Houston, Texas, from which places the purchaser will

A Dursery at Your Door.

no Risk to Buyer.

pay the freight to destination. In no case will we prepay freight on orders for less amounts, or where they are not accompanied by cash in full.

> THE GRIFFING BROS. CO. Successors to W. D. GRIFFING.

Macclenny, Baker County, Florida.

### DESCRIPTIVE LIST OF FRUITS



#### .... or, What to Plant for Profit

Only the best and most profitable varieties are described at length in this Catalogue, because to give lengthy descriptions of others would not improve it. The best are none too good for our own and our customers' fields and orchards. However, we list and briefly describe others that we carry in stock.

Large catalogues, fancy colored plates, long and tedious discussions on scientific horticulture, and lengthy descriptions of every known variety are not what the tree planters want in these days, but they do want good trees of tested and tried varieties that can be depended upon to give plenty of fruit at the right season. All these points are found in The Griffing Brothers Company's trees.



Picture of Orchard Row.

### PEACHES.



IF our natural or other advantages place us in a position to more successfully grow any one kind of tree than all others, either in nursery or orchard, that tree is the Peach. No section of the United States could be better adapted to the Peach than ours.

Scattered about in cotton fields are old native trees where they sprung up from a chance seed dropped by some plow-boy or some one else enjoying a delicious Peach in years gone by. These native trees are very prolific, and thousands of bushels of fruit fall to the ground yearly, and after the Peach has rotted away, the pits are gathered up and sold to nurserymen at remunerative prices.

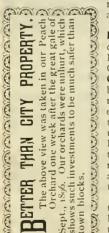
Our stock is all grown from such seed here in the very section where they are gathered, and our trees are the most thrifty and vigorous that it would be possible to find.

Peaches are grown more or less the world over, but among the great number of classes or types known, each group has some section to which it is naturally adapted, and while it will make a luxuriant growth, will never fruit profitably in any other. We can successfully grow any variety known up to

a bearing age, when they must be transplanted in their natural sections to bear well.

Among the most successful classes or types planted in the United States are the Peen-to, a type suited only to Florida and extreme southern points of Texas and other Gulf states. Honey, a type adapted to a section from about Central Peninsular Florida north to about Central Georgia and corresponding latitudes west to the Rio Grande River, in Texas. Spanish, the native Peach of all the extreme Lower South. Chinese Cling, a type to which varieties such as Elberta, Thurber, General Lee, etc., belong, which adapt themselves to an area extending from Northern Florida and corresponding latitudes as far north as Peaches are successfully raised, but are most extensively planted in Georgia. Persian, a class to which all common varieties of the North belong. Some few will succeed fairly well as far south as the extreme northern part of Florida, but they are more at home and mostly planted in the older Peach-growing sections of the North. Besides these we have two late introductions, the Dwarf Japan Blood and Red Ceylon, from Japan and the Isle of Ceylon respectively, which we will class as Oriental Bloods. The former, we believe, will adapt itself to any section where the Chinese Cling or Spanish types will succeed, but the latter will not succeed further north than the Peen-to type.

We believe that it would be of little interest to the average planter, who wishes trees that will bear fruit, to know what class or type his trees belong to, so we will not bore him with two or three pages containing the history and classification in races or types of all the Peaches we have, but will list them in such a way that he can select varieties adapted to his section. For the benefit of those that may wish to know to



what class their trees belong, we list them with abbreviations following the names and descriptions, which

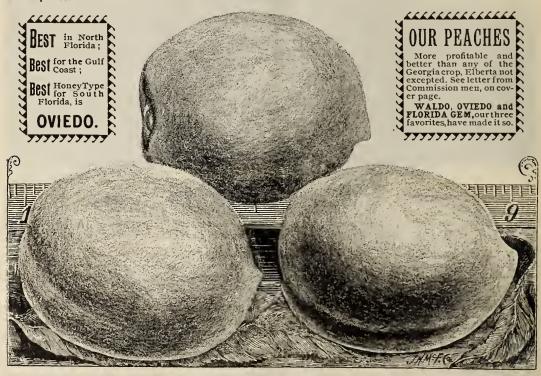
will show to which class they belong.

If the planter will be governed by our classification, he can scarcely make a mistake in his selection of varieties. We have traveled and made Peach culture a study from extreme South Florida to the Great Lakes, and from the Atlantic to the Rio Grande, and feel confident that no one is better posted as to their adaptability than we are. The following classification gives the results of our observations, and can be relied upon.

The abbreviations indicating class or type of each variety following name are explained in the following key: (P.-to.) Peen-to, (Hon.) Honey, (Sp.) Spanish, (C. C.) Chinese Cling, (Per.) Persian, (O. B.) Oriental Bloods.

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I year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet				
I year, standard size, 4 to 5 feet				
I year, large size, 5 to 6 feet				
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Estella, Super and Triumph, 20 per cent in advance of above prices. Jewell, 10 per cent in advance of above prices. Greensboro, 25 per cent in advance of above prices. Connecticut, 50 per cent in advance of above prices.



Oviedo Peach.

#### Varieties Best Adapted to North Florida and Corresponding Latitudes.

Waldo. (P.-to.) Most profitable and best very early Peach in our orchards, and equally well adapted to South Florida. Tree a vigorous grower and late bloomer, being one of the latest to bloom of the Peen-to family; very prolific. Fruit of medium size, roundish oblong; color bright yellowish red, washed with carmine on side next to sun; flesh nearly white, red at pit, rich, juicy, melting and fine; quality excellent; one of the best; freestone. Ripens about June 1.

Florida Gem. (Hon.) For extensive planting we rank this variety equal to any. During the past three years we have been shipping them before the last of the Waldo was gone, and have found them equally as profitable. Size medium to large, measuring 2 by  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter; resembles Honey in shape, but without so sharp a point; skin yellow, washed and flecked with red; flesh fine grained, sweet, juicy, and of excellent flavor; perfect freestone. Ripens June 15 to July 1.

OVIEDO. (Hon.) Beyond all doubt the largest and best Peach that thrives in this latitude; has also been a perfect success as far south as Leesburg, and we have good reports from it at Tampa and below. With the Waldo for first ripening, Florida Gem for second, and Oviedo for third, we ship from the first of June until the Middle of July, and our books show that any one paid as well as another of these three, our favorites.

What the Oviedo lacks in earliness it more than makes up in size and quality. What the Elberta is to

Georgia, the Oviedo is to Florida and all the Gulf Coast country. On the market at the same time, it is more than a match for the famous Elberta. (See letters from commission men, on inside back cover.) It is absolutely free from rot, and will not split or crack. This we cannot say of any others of the Honey seedlings ripening as late as it does and during the rainy season. Size large to very large, often measuring o inches or more in circumference; pit very small; quality best, having a rich, vinous flavor that suits the taste equally as well as any northern Peach; flesh light, streaked with red, and very firm, ripening evenly from skin to pit, and on both sides; freestone. Blooms with native Peaches, is a sure and abundant bearer. Ripe early in July, at a season when Peaches are most wanted in market, it being just after the early ones are gone and before the native crop comes in.



Mr. T. K. Godby, of Waldo, Florida, who has originated several of the best Peaches now in cultivation in this state, says of it: "I consider this the finest Peach in the state." Our attention was called to this Peach by Mr. Godby, and its large size, handsome appearance and fine quality induced us to investigate its merits, and we found it to be better suited for extensive planting in Florida than any Peach we know of.

Jewell. (P.-to.) New. Originated and introduced by T. K. Godby, of Waldo, Florida, who says of it: "A Peach as good as the Waldo, blooming at the same time as the Waldo, and ripening two weekt earlier." This is saying much, but the samples we have received from Mr. Godby corroborate his statement so far as time of maturity, size and quality are concerned, and if it turns out as well in our own grounds, is will be added to our three favorites for extensive planting, and become the earliest of our four favorites. It is a perfect freestone, and has succeeded well where tested in South Florida. The only fear we have for it is that it will be a shy bearer, as it is a very wiry-growing tree, and shows few fruit buds.

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Climax, or Hornes' Hybrid. (Hon.) Tree of vigorous growth and very prolific; size medium, slightly oblong, with recurved point; slight suture, somewhat swollen on one side; color pale yellow, washed with red; flesh yellowish white, fine grained, melting, juicy, sweet and sprightly, with more acid

than found in the Honey; freestone. Ripens about July 1. (See cut, page 6.)

Imperial. (Hon.) In shape roundish oblong; in size very large; skin greenish yellow, washed with



red; flesh white, sweet and juicy; of excellent flavor and good tone; perfect freestone; quality best. Ripens June 25 to July 5.

Stanley. (Hon.) Originated with us in our experimental grounds. Shape roundish oblong; size medium; clingstone; sweet and of excellent quality; a heavy bearer and good shipper. Matures to days later than the Honey. Mr. G Onderdonk, of Texas, says that this is the best Peach he has from Florida. Thousands of Peach trees are sent from Florida to Texas every season, and we are glad to have sent the best variety. No one can make a mistake by planting this variety for market. At one picking, last season, we gathered over four bushels of marketable fruit from the original tree, which netted us in market about \$3.50 per bu.



Florida Gem.

Pallas. (Hon.) Fruit of good size; shape nearly round; color deep red, dotted with salmon and tipped with light yellow at base and apex; flesh white, fine grained, melting, with a rich, vinous aroma, resembling the Grosse Mignonne in flavor; freestone; quality excellent. Matures July 1 to 15.

Angel. (P.-to.) Origin near Waldo, Florida. Large, round; flesh white, melting, rich, juicy, sub-acid flavor; freestone. Is entirely devoid of the noyau flavor of its parent. Trees bloom fully one month later than the Peen-to. Ripe June 20 to July 5.

Dwarf Japan Blood. (O. B) A blood freestone, of good size and appearance and excellent quality. Ripens earlier than Alexander. A dwarf-growing, stocky tree of comparatively recent introduction. Trees in our experimental grounds have fruited well for the past four years, and we expect to plant largely of this variety for commercial purposes in the near future. It is reported to have fruited well in localities of West Florida and in Southern Louisiana, and great hopes are everywhere entertained of it as a valuable market Peach.

Estella. (Sp.) New. Introduced by L. W. Plank, of DeFuniak Springs, Florida. A very large, yellow, freestone Peach, ripe from middle to last of August. A valuable Peach for its season. Fruited



Stanley and Climax Peaches.

with us in 1896. and at a season when Peaches were very scarce. Every one should have at leasta half dozen trees of it for home use and Is as canning. good a Peach as the famous Late Crawford of the North.

Florida Crawford. (Sp.) Resembles Crawford's Early; very pro-l fic, fruit very large; color yellow, tinged with red; rich, juicy; freestone. Matures in July.



Bidwell's Early Peach.

Onderdonk. (Sp.) Large; skin and flesh yellow, very juicy and sweet; free. Originated in Texas by G. Onderdonk, and possesses a valuable combination of quality, appearance and productiveness. Matures late in July.

Texas. (Sp.) Fruit medium to large; color greenish yellow, shaded to red; good; freestone. Ripens late in July.

La Reine. (Sp.) Very strong grower; fruit large and of good quality, highly colored; clingstone. Ripens July 20 to 25.

Powers' September. Native seedling; good grower, and a Peach of late habit; quality good; freestone; a nice, valuable Peach for home use. Matures in Sept.

Gibbon's October. (Sp.) Native seedling of strong growth. Fruit large, of good quality and color; freestone. Matures September 25 to October 10.

OTHER VARIETIES adapted to this section, and which we carry in stock, are:

Early Cream. (Hon.) Medium size; white-fleshed; freestone. Ripe July 1.

Honey. (Hon.) Small; white flesh; freestone; very sweet. Ripe June 5.

Ferdinand. (Hon.) Size medium, roundish oblong; flesh white; clingstone. Ripe June 25.

Sangmel. (Hon.) A blood clingstone. Ripe July 1.

Colon. (Hon.) A blood freestone. Ripe July 1.

Triana. (Hon.) Size large, white flesh; oblong; a good freestone. Ripe June 25.

Taber. (Hon.) Large, oblong; flesh white, streaked with red; clingstone. Ripe June 15.

Victoria. (Sp.) Very large, round: skin and flesh yellow; freestone. Ripe August 25.

Sunset. (Sp.) Large, oblong; clingstone. Ripe August 1.

Mamie Ross. (C. C.) Large; flesh white, juicy and good; cling. Ripe June 15.

Lulu. (Sp.) Large; skin and flesh yellow; free. Ripe August 10.

La Magnifique. (Sp.) Large and prolific; cling. Ripe August 5.

Elma. (Sp.) Size medium, color yellowish white; highly flavored; cling. Ripe July 25.

Edith. (Sp.) Large; round as a ball; flesh white; cling. Ripe July 25.

Countess. (Sp.) Large; roundish oblong; flesh white, rich and juicy; free. Ripe July 15.

Columbia. (Sp.) Very large; flesh yellow, buttery and very rich; free. Ripe July 20.

Carpenter's Cling. (Sp.) From Texas. Large; white, juicy and good. Ripe July 15.

Cabler's Indian. (Sp.) From Texas.

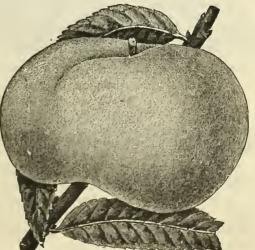
flesh; Indian type; cling. Ripe July 20.

Reeves' Mammoth. (Sp.) Large; flesh white; Ripe July 10.

Sanders' Cling. (Sp.) From Texas. bright yellow. Ripe August 1. Large;

Varieties best adapted to Middle and South Florida and the Extreme Southern points of Texas.

Bidwell's Early. (P. to.) To the credit of this Peach more than any other is due the great success of Peach growing in South Florida. It is the first ordinary shaped Peach on the market. In the extreme lower part of the state it matures in April. The owner of the great St. Cloud orchard told us while at our place, in the spring of 1896, that he was usually through shipping



Peen-to Peach. (See page 8.)

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Frost-proof and Hardy Peach of

BIDWELL'S LATE.

his Bidwell's Early by June 1, and that one acre of these Peaches at St. Cloud paid him better than ten on his fruit farms in Maryland and Delaware. Another grower, from Narcoossee, writes: "I am so satisfied with the prospects myself that I have just decided to go thoroughly into the business. It is, in my estimation, one of the very few paying crops in Florida." The Bidwell's Early is the standard-bearer in all commercial orchards of South Florida. Size medium; shape nearly round, with short recurved point; skin creamy white, washed with carmine; flesh finegrained, melting, juicy and sweet, with slight noyau flavor; cling. Commences to ripen with Peen-to, but continues longer. Uncertain in North Florida, on account of early blooming and consequent liability to be frost-bitten.

Peen-to. (P.-to.) This old standard is too well known in Florida to need one word of recommendation by us. Generally blooms in January and ripens its fruit in April and May, and is enormously productive. Its earliness renders it one of the most valuable market varieties.

Bidwell's Late. (P.-to.) An upright, vigorous grower, and nearly frost-proof. This variety has been known to set and ripen a good crop of fruit when nearly all of the other varieties that were in bloom at that time were killed by frost. Size large, specimens measuring 8 and 8½ inches in circumference each way; color rich waxy yellow; flesh yellowish white, rich, juicy, melting, and of splendid quality; very prolific bearer; cling. Matures from June 20 to July 10. Its shipping qualities are unawareaed experiences the simple of the second secon

ties are unsurpassed, specimens having been kept sound and in good condition for over a week.

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**Super.** (P.-to.) New. Originated at Lake Helen, Fla., and is said to be a decided success in South Florida. Claimed to be an improvement over Bidwell's Early, and should be tested in every locality.

Red Ceylon. (O. B.) Originated in Florida from seed obtained in Ceylon.

Tree a strong grower and heavy annual bearer. Fruit of good size; skin a dull green color; flesh blood red; freestone. A very promising variety for the extreme South. Ripens in May.

Bidwell's Late Peach.

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Jewel, Waldo, Angel, Oviedo, Stanley and Florida Gem. Good descriptions will be found of these varieties with the descriptions of Peaches adapted to North Florida. All of these Peaches are equally as well adapted to South Florida as to the northern part of the state.

OTHER VARIETIES especially adapted to South Florida, and which we carry in stock, are: Yum Yum, Maggie and Florida Own. All are very similar to Bidwell's Early. The originators have claimed some special points of advantage for each. We consider them as good as Bidwell's Early. Others which will succeed in South Florida, which are described with varieties for North Florida, are: Early Cream, Florida Crawford, La Reine, and Gibbons' October.

# Varieties best adapted to some portions of North Florida, all of Georgia and other states in corresponding latitudes, and to the North as far as Peaches are a success.

Elberta. (C. C.) This Peach is now planted in large quantities throughout the entire country. There has never been enough trees to supply the demand. The fruit is large; freestone; skin yellow, with red cheek; flesh yellow, juicy and of fine quality. To give an idea of its popularity, the large growers of Peaches, in planting an orchard, plant more Elberta than all other varieties combined. Season medium.

Sneed. (C. C.) The earliest Peach known; ripens in Georgia the middle of May. Medium size, somewhat oval in shape; color creamy white, with rich red blush on sunny side; ripens even to the pit; is of fine quality, and not subject to rot, as are so many others of the early varieties. Is becoming very popular.

Triumph. (Per.) New. The earliest yellow Peach known. Ripens with the Alexander, just after Sneed. Tree vigorous, hardy and healthy; very productive of medium to large, round Peaches. Skin yellow, with rich red blush all over the sunny side; flesh yellow; ripens up all at once, evenly clear to the pit; freestone and a good keeper. The most popular new Peach on the market this season. (See photograph, page 9)

Crosby. (Per.) Tree medium grower, always inclined to overbear. Fruit round; rich golden yelow, sp ashed with red; flesh yellow, delicious, sweet and rich; highly flavored; freestone.

Connecticut. (Per.) New. A hardy New England seedling, that originated there some 10 years ago. Tree vigorous, hardy, with frost-proof fruit buds of Crosby type. Fruit large, round, deep yellow, with red cheek; rich, sweet and high flavored; freestone. Ripens before Early Crawford.

Champion. (Per.) New. A vigorous, hardy early variety, not fully tested in Georgia, but claimed to be the largest of the earliest. Round; white, with slight blush; freestone. Ripens just after Mountain Rose. Mr. Platt, State Pomologist of Connecticut, considers it of great value. Certainly so large and so fine a Peach, just after Mountain Rose, should be of great value. It is also considered a very reliable bearer.

Mountain Rose. (Per.) Fruit large, round; white, covered with deep, rich red on sunny side, mellowing to light red; rich, sweet and melting; one of the best; freestone. Ripe June 15.

Alexander. (Per.) Above medium, globular; color greenish white, nearly covered with deep, rich red, turning almost to a purple when exposed to the sun; flesh greenish white, very juicy, vinous, and of good quality; usually adheres to the stone. Ripe May 20 to 30 Trees are remarkably prolific, and bear



Triumph Peach. (See page 8.)
This cut was made from a photograph of the Peach, taken June 27, 1895.

greatest surprise I ever had; I could hardly realize it, seeing such a Peach at that season. The flesh was white, very juicy, and of excellent quality. I know of no Peach that will beat it."

Crawford's Early. (Per.) This beautiful and best of yellow Peaches is highly esteemed for market purposes. Fruit very large, oblong; skin yellow, juicy, sweet and excellent; freestone. Wonderfully productive and hardy. Ripe July 15.

Early Rivers. (Per.) Medium to large; color creamy white, with delicate pink flush on sunny side; flesh melting, with delicious flavor. Perhaps the most refined of older varieties; fine for family and near-by markets.

ORLANDO, FLA., January 17, 1896.

Dear Sir: The two boxes of Japan Persimmons received on the 15th inst., and I find, upon opening them, that they were in fine order, and much larger than I expected.

ROBERT G. BIDWELL.

Jacksonville, Fla., February 22, 1896,

Dear Sir: The shipment of goods came to hand in good condition on the 15th. The stock was good. They were nice
and clean, without any broken or mangled roots. Many thanks for your liberal count.

J. V. Wallace.



quality and a fine shipper. Although one of the smallest, it is such an abundant bearer that it has always been one of the most profitable of market varieties. A single car-load of Tillotson sold in New York, in June, 1896, for over \$1,300.

Stump the World. (Per.) Origin

New Jersey. Size very large; shape nearly round; skin creamy white, with red cheek; flesh white, juicy and good; free-Ripens July 5 to 15.

Lorentz. (Per.) New. Its introducers say of it: "We have never known it to fail a crop in the most adverse seasons, and we believe it to be as nearly frost-proof as any variety yet introduced. It bears crops when others fail entirely. Fruit is unusually large and of a superior flavor, especially so for one so late in the season. It is a freestone, yellow fleshed, and its handsome appearance has been a surprise to all who have seen it. It bears enormously, one foot of wood cut for photographing having as many as 25 Peaches on it, and frequently requiring thinning from over-production. We feel confident that this is the best late Peach ever introduced, and that this belief will be

shared by those who grow it; does not crack; is very firm, keeps well, and is a fine shipper.

Dwarf Japan Blood. (O. B.) Described with varieties for North Forida.

Besides these described, we have in stock a full supply of Amelia (Per.), Arkansas Traveler (Per.),

Belle of Georgia (C. C.), Chinese Free (C. C.), Chinese Cling (C. C), Crawford's Late (Per.), Downing (Per.), Early Beatrice (Per.), Foster (Per.), General Lee (C. C.), Globe (Per.), Husted's Early (Per.), Hale's Early (Per.), Heath Cling (Per.), Hill's Chili (Per.), Jessie Kerr (Per.), John Haas (Per.), Lady Ingold (Per.), Muir (Per.), Oldmixon Free (Per.), Old-mixon Cling (Per.), Nix Late (Per.), Picquett's Late (Per.), Salway (Per.), Smock (Per.) Thurber (C. C.), Wheatland (Per.), Yellow Mystery (Per.), Vellow St. John (Per.), Wonderful (Per.), Wilder (Per.) These are all too well known in sections where adapted to need description.

Hastings, Fla., February 13, 1896.

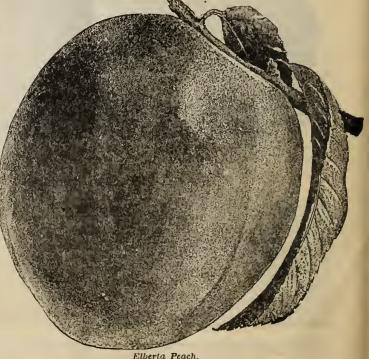
Dear Sir: Trees arrived in good condition
February 12. Am more than pleased. They
are the best trees for the moncy I ever saw,
many of them being more than twice as large
as expected. Thanks for the two sent gratis. CHAS. MILLS TERRELL.

STARK, FLA., February 20, 1896.

Dear Sir: The shipment of trees came to hand in good condition. There are several parties here who want trees. I will distribute your Catalogues when they come. S. J. STEARNBURG.

AVON PARK, FLA., March 30, 1896.

Dear Sir: Trees arrived in due time in first-class condition. Never saw finer stock, nor in better condition. Many thanks. F. D. ROOD.





Abundance Plum.

### > PLUMS. =

100 much cannot be said of this delicious fruit. Now that the old native varieties are being pushed aside by the new and far more desirable sorts introduced during the past few years from Japan, no family or home should be without its Plum orchard, from which, planted with a selection of the oriental family, Plums can be picked from June to the first of September. There is no doubt that their introduction is doing more to stimulate both commercial and amateur fruit culture than any other one event that has taken place within the last quarter of a century.

Japan Plums rival in beauty of color and deliciousness of flavor the choicest of all Pomona's gifts. The trees grow so quickly, produce so abundantly, and the fruit is so large and fine, that is is possible to produce these delicious Plums as abundantly and cheaply as our most common peaches. So far they seem to thrive equally well on light, dry, or quite heavy, moist soil, if on Plum roots, as they always should be. They are beautiful in appearance, superior in quality, and many of them will keep from 10 days to 2 weeks after picking, a great point in their favor for marketing.

Planters who have had trouble with suckers growing up in their fields from planting trees propagated on native Plum roots will never have any such trouble from any trees procured from our nurseries. We propagate on no other stock but the Marianna, and it never sprouts from the roots; it is beyond all question the best stock for the Plum that has ever been used, and all the Japanese varieties form a perfect union with it. Drices

		E	ach 10	100	1,000
1 year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet					
1 year, standard size, 4 to 5 feet					
1 year, large size, 5 to 6 feet					
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novelties, double above price.

Willard. Earliest of all the Japan Plums, and hence very profitable for market. A strong, vigorous, hardy tree; very productive; fruit medium size, spherical to oblong; bright claret-red, with many minute dots; firm, white flesh; freestone. Very handsome when well ripened, and will keep a long time after being picked

Red June. A vigorous, hardy, upright, spreading tree, as productive as Abundance; fruit medium to large, deep vermilion-red, with handsome bloom; very showy; flesh light lemon-yellow, slightly sub-

acid. of good and pleasant quality; half cling; pit small. Ripens a few days after Willard, and is the

best in quality of any of the early varieties.

Burbank. The fruit is usually from 5 to 51/2 inches in circumference, varying less in size thau the other Japanese Plums; it is nearly globular; clear cherry-red, sometimes showing yellow dots, or even marbled, with a thin lilac bloom; flesh deep yellow, firm and meaty, rich and sugary, with a peculiar and very agreeable flavor; cling Tree unusually vigorous, with strong, upright shoots, and large, rather broad leaves. Too much cannot be said of the quality of this Plum. After shipping from them for about two weeks at a constantly increasing price, the Botankio, Yellow Japan, Chabot, Kelsey and others of the Japan Plums began to come in, and



Red June Plum.

our commission man wanted to know what had gotten the matter with our Plums! He said they looked well, but the quality had changed, and that he could not sell them for more than half what he had been getting.

Abundance. (Lovett's.) Medium to large, round, with pointed apex; skin greenish yellow, ground overlaid with dull purplish carmine; flesh light, greenish yellow, juicy and sweet, with a touch of subacid and slight apricot flavor; cling; quality best; pit small. A strong-growing, upright tree, and very prolific.

Berckmans. (Botan.) Large, round, slightly oblong, sometimes verging to heart-shaped; skin yellow, overspread with bright red and light purplish bloom; flesh yellow and of good flavor; cling; an exceptionally good keeper. Of all the Plums that have fruited with us, this ranks next to Burbank in value, is a little later, and is larger than the Burbank, and the tree is a stronger grow-



er. It should be very extensively planted for market, and is also excellent for home use and for canning.

Hale. Prof. L. H. Bailey, the highest American authority on Japan Plums, in Cornell Bulletin 106, January, 1896, "Revised Opinions of Japan Plums," says of the Hale Plum: "A very handsome, large, round-cordate Plum; usually lop-sided; orange, thinly overlaid with mottled red, so as to have a yellowish red appearance, or, in well-colored specimens, deep cherry-red with yellow specks; flesh yellow, soft and juicy (yet a good keeper), not stringy, with a very delicious, slightly acid peachy flavor; skin somewhat sour; cling; very late. I know the fruit only from specimens sent at two or three different times by Luther Burbank. To mytaste, these specimens have been the best in quality of all the Japanese Plums."

Wickson. New. The latest of Mr. Burbank's introductions. The fact that he recommends it alone makes it worthy of a trial by all. A cross between Kelsey and Burbank. Mr. Burbank says of it: "The tree grows in vase form, sturdy and upright, yet as gracefully branching as could be desired, and is productive almost to a fault. The fruit, which is well shown in the photo-engraving" (see same accompanying), "is very large, obconical in shape, of rare beauty, and is evenly distributed all over the tree. From the time it is half grown until a few days before ripening, the fruit is of a pearly white color, but all at once soft pink shadings creep over it, and in a few days it has changed to a glowing carmine, with a heavy white bloom; the stone is small and the flesh is of fine texture, firm, sugary and delicious, and will



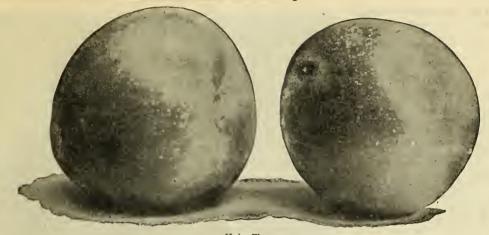
Wickson Plum.

keep two weeks or more after ripening, or can be picked when hard and white, and will color and ripen almost as well as if left on the tree. Ripens after Burbank and before Satsuma. Among the many thousand Japanese Plums which I have fruited, this one, so far, stands pre-eminent in its rare combination of good qualities."

Kelsey. Size large to very large, often 7 to 9 inches in circumference; heart-shaped; colorgreenish yellow, overspread with reddish purple and blue bloom; flesh very solid, yellow, rich and juicy, and with excellent flavor; pit very small; adheres slightly to the flesh. Matures last of July.

Excelsior. This is a seedling of the Kelsey, fruit large, round, 1½ inches in diameter; color reddish purple, with heavy blue bloom: very handsome; flesh sweet, juicy, melting and of best quality. Ripens early in June.

Normand. Strong, upright growing tree, very productive; fruit medum to large, obtusely conical, with heart-like base and a short stem; skin golden yellow, with slight blush — a beauty; flesh firm, meaty, yellow, of high quality; freestone, small pit. Ripens just after Abundance. Valuable for family or fancy market.



Hale Plum

Satsuma, or Blood Plum. Large; skin dark, purplish red, mottled with bluish bloom; shape globular, or with a sharp point; flesh firm, juicy, dark red or blood color, well-flavored, firm; quality very good; pit small. Maturity two to three weeks before Kelsey.

Babcock. Fruit large, round, conical; skin yellow, overlaid with purplish red and blue bloom; rather thick; flesh deep orange, solid, sugary, subacid, good flavor and quality; cling. Tree vigorous and prolific. Ripens middle of June.

Wild Goose. Large; somewhat oblong; bright vermilion-red; juicy, sweet; good quality; cling; a very showy and fine market fruit; prolific bearer.

Golden Beauty. Size large; of a beautiful golden yellow, sweet and good; tree an annual and abundant bearer. Ripens in August.

#### We offer the following New Introductions, which come Mr. Normand's List from of Novelties.

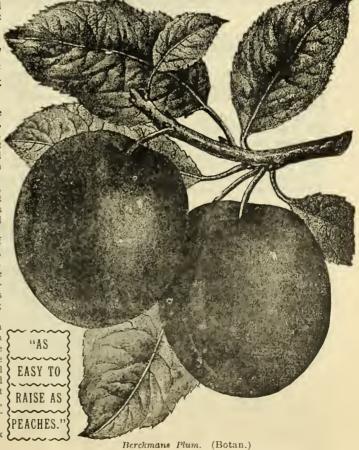
"White Kelsey. This is a duplicate in size and shape of the common Kelsey, except that it is of a pale, creamy color, almost white when ripe; does not rot before maturity, like the Kelsey, and much earlier to ripen and later to bloom than it; delicious in flavor.

"Yeddo. Much like White Kelsey, which it resembles in some respects, but it is of a deeper yellow color; 10 days later to ripen, and a very attractive and

fine-flavored Plum.

"Mikado. A very large Plum, of greenish yellow color; nearly round, very little suture; a very rapid grower, more so than any other. This is the most remarkable of all Plums for its enormous size, beauty and good quality. It is probably the largest Pluin in existence; ripens 15 days after Yeddo.

"Weeping Blood Plum. This is a valuable acquisition, said to produce a blood-red Plum of good quality. tree must be seen to be appreciated. We have them, here on our experimental grounds, growing finely; we budded them at different heights on straight peach stock, 4 to 8 feet from the ground, with slender limbs curving down grace-fully like the Teas' weeping mulberry Single trees set out on the lawn look grand."



THE FOLLOWING VARIE-TIES, Mr. Normand says, were all lately imported from Japan, and came highly recommended, from a reliable source. All are distinct varieties, judging from their habit of growth and pecularity of foliage. Furugiya, Unknown, O-Hatankyo, Yone Momo, Wasse Sumomo, Wasse Botankyo, Nagate No Batankyo, Sagetsuna, Housmomo, Wassu, Hytan Kayo.

BESIDES THESE, we have in stock a full supply of Prunus Simoni, Masu, Bailey, Chabot, Yellow Japan, Ogon, Long Fruited, Hattankio, Georgeson, Hoyo Smomo, and Marianna, some of which are well known, others are worthy of a trial.

#### APRICOTS.

A delicious fruit, valuable for its earliness. It is liable to be attacked by curculio, and requires the same treatment as the plum; it bears immense



Chabot Plum.

crops in localities adapted to its culture. In the Southern states it is most suitable for planting in city gardens, or where the trees are protected by surrounding buildings. They require protection from early spring frosts.

Prices.

				Each	10	100	1,000
1 year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet				. \$0 15	<b>\$1</b> 20	<b>\$</b> 10 00	\$75 00
I year, standard size, 4 to 5 feet				. 20	I 50	12 00	100 00
I year, extra size, 5 feet and up				. 25	2 00	15 00	125 00

Japan Apricot. (Hubbard.) This is the earliest, largest and best Apricot in cultivation, and the only one that is a success in Central Louisiana; fruit clear, bright yellow; fine flavored; tree a straggling grower and an abundant bearer. This variety was imported by ex-Governor Hubbard, of Texas, while Minister to Japan.

Bongoume. (Bungo.) Said to be one of the best of the Japanese Apricots, bearing a golden yellow fruit of good size and fair quality.

Santa Fe. Originated on the shores of Santa Fe Lake, in Florida, and has borne good crops annually for several years. Blooms and ripens its fruit same time as the Peen-to peach, hence a very early variety. Fruit medium, round, somewhat flattened; yellow, with reddish brown dots; best quality; freestone.

DeLand. A chance tree, that has fruited six out of seven seasons with Geo. Woodward, near DeLand in Volusia county. A valuable acquisition.

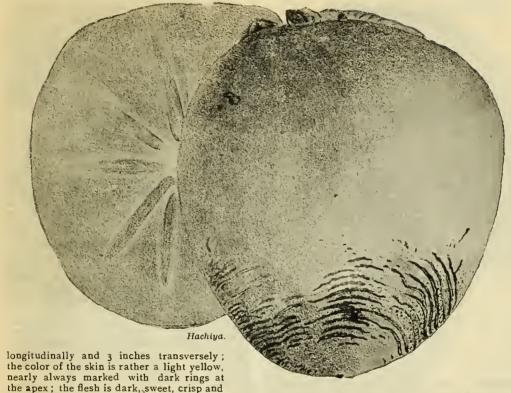
### THE DIOSPYROS KAKI.

(Japanese Persimmon.)

Our Japan Persimmons are all grafted below the ground on native American Persimmon stock, which makes larger and better trees than those on Japan stock, the latter being deficient in roots; besides, the names that stocks are imported under cannot be depended on, there often being many varieties sent out under one name, or one variety sent out under several names; and many nurserymen here that have not fruited all the varieties, or taken pains to separate them, are still propagating from their old stock as it was imported. We have fruited in our own orchards every variety we offer, and only two out of the whole lot were bought for what they really were. We can guarantee every variety here offered to be true to name, and this is a hard thing to do, when taking into consideration how few Japan Persimmons have been sold under their true names during the time they have been in this country.

Prices.				
	Each	10	100	1,000
1 year, small, 2 to 3 feet, straight	. \$0 20	<b>\$1</b> 50	\$10 CO	\$80 oo
I year, medium, 3 to 4 feet, straight				
1 year, standard, 4 to 5 feet, straight				
2 years, 4 to 5 feet, part branched	. 40	3 00	25 00	175 00

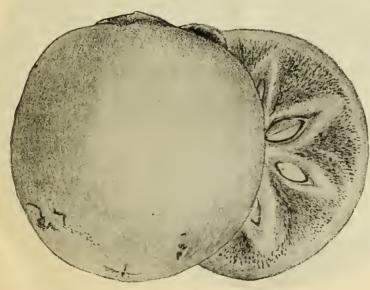
Hyakume. Very large, varying from roundish oblong to roundish oblate, but always somewhat flattened at both ends; generally slightly depressed at point opposite the stem; diameter 23/4 inches



meaty, entirely free from astringency, and good to eat while still hard; one of the best varieties in cultivation; keeps well; tree of good growth, and a free bearer.

Tane-Nashi. Very large, roundish conical, pointed, very smooth and symmetrical; diameter 3 inches longitudinally and 3½ inches transversely; color of skin light yellow, changing to bright red at full maturity; flesh yellow; generally seedless; astringent until fully ripe, then one of the best.

Zengi. The smallest of all the varieties introduced; round or roundish oblate; diameter 1¾ inches longitudinally and 2¾ inches transversely; color of skin reddish yellow; flesh very dark, shows black dots and white fibers when cut transversely; very seedy; quality very good, it being edible while still hard, and one of the earliest varieties to ripen; the tree is vigorous and a very good and reliable bearer.



Yeddo-Ichi.

Okame. Large, roundish oblate, always showing peculiar corrugated appearance at the stem end; somewhat four-sided, with well-defined quarter marks at apex; diameter 2¾ inches longitudinally and 3 inches transversely; color of skin dark red, handsome and showy; flesh yellow, with but few seeds, rich, meaty, free from astringency; quality fine; tree a good bearer.

Dai Dai Maru. Tree of rather open growth, with distinct light foliage. Fruit medium size, shape flat like a tomato, slightly four-sided; flesh white, quality very fine.

Yemon. Large, flat, tomatoshaped, somewhat four-sided; diameter 2½ inches longitudinally, 3½ inches transversely; skin bright orange-yellow; flesh yellow, generally seedless; quality very fine; tree rather an open grower, with distinct foliage of a light shade.



Tane Nashi.

Tsuru. Longest in proportion to its size of all the varieties; slender, pointed; diameter 31/4 inches longitudinally and 21/8 inches transversely; color of skin bright red; flesh orange colored, with darker coloring in immediate vicinity of seed, which are few; very astringent until ripe, and one of the latest to ripen; a good keeper, and of good quality when tully ripe; tree a heavy bearer.

Costata. Medium oblong, conical, pointed, somewhat four-sided; diameter 21/4 inches longitudinally and 23/8 inches transversely; color of skin salmon-yellow; flesh yellow, nearly seedless, astringest until ripe, and then very fine; one of the latest to ripen and a good keeper; tree the most ornamental of all, it being a very upright, rapid grower, with large, lux-

uriant foliage.

Yeddo-Ichi. Large, oblate; diameter 21/2 inches longitudinally and and 3 inches transversely; very smooth and regular in outline, with a slight depression at the end opposite the stem; color of skin a darker red than most varieties; flesh a dark brown color, verging into purple; quite seedy. In quality it is one of the best, being exceedingly rich and sweet, and, like the Hyakume, is good to eat while still hard; tree a heavy bearer and very thrifty.

Hachiya. Very large, oblong conical, with sharp point; very showy; diameter 3½ inches longitudinally and 3 inches transversely; color of skin reddish yellow, with occasional dark spots or blotches and rings at apex; flesh dark yellow; some seed; astringent until fully ripe, then very good; tree vigorous and shapely.

Triumph. Origin near Sanford, in Orange county, Florida, from seed from Japan. Its quality is of the best; size medium; tomato-shaped; a pretty carmine on a yellow ground; very productive; the

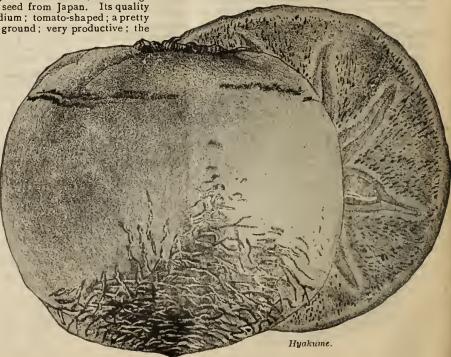
past season the crop from a single tree brought \$16. Ripe October, and holds on the tree until January.

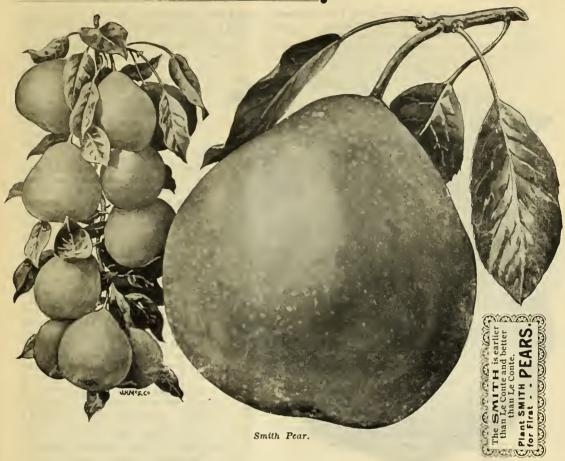
Dear Sir: The ship-ment to hand in good condition. Thanks for the Jewell Peach gratis -JULIUS SMITH, Enstis, Fla., February 8, 1896.

Dear Sir: Goods arrived in fine condition on 10th inst., and I am well pleased with them, and think you will receive or-ders from other parties in this section.—N. E. ROBERTS, Seville, Fla., March 24, 1896.

Dear Sir: Shipment of trees to hand in first-class condition some time since. You have certainly got the finest nursery stock I have been able to get.

—FRED, E, FISH, Tampa Fla. Abril. 1866 pa, Fla., April 4, 1896.





### --- PEARS. ---

Growing Pears for the Northern markets is no longer an experiment in the South, but a positive success; and so much has been published in the agricultural papers, and others, during the past few years, giving facts and figures to prove the profit in it, that we need not argue the point here, but will say that any one having a piece of ground available, and selecting varieties adapted to our climate and soil, can hardly make a mistake by planting out a Pear orchard. The varieties which we recognize as standing at the head, and combining all the qualities required in this fruit, are on our list.

		Price								1,000
1 year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet straight .						₹0 I2	₹1	00	<b>\$</b> 8 oo	\$60 00
I year, standard size, 4 to 5 feet straight.										70 00
I year, large size, 5 to 6 feet, part branche	ed	l				20	1	50	10 00	85 00
I year, extra size, b feet and up, heavily b	ra	anched.				25	2	00	15 00	110 00
2 years, branched, fine, Le Conte and Kie	ffe	er only.			 	30	2	50	18 00	150 00
3 years, extra fine, bearing in nursery, Ki	ef	ffer only				50	4	00	25 00	
Cincincis double above price.										

Le Conte. A cross between the old China Sand Pear and a cultivated variety. Fruit large, pyriform; skin smooth, pale yellow. Maturity from July 1 to end of August. The tree is of remarkable vigor and rapid growth; foliage dense and luxuriant; hardy everywhere, but of greatest value South. Le Conte and Kieffer are so far the most desirable varieties of this class, and our stock of trees is exceedingly large. Mr. Stringfellow, the pioneer Le Conte grower of Texas, says that he first found out the superior quality of Le Conte after eating his own fruit in Chicago. The secret lies in picking the fruit a little in advance of its having attained its full growth, and while yet free from the slightest tinge of yellow, and keeping it confined in boxes or barrels for a week or ten days, shut up in its own atmosphere. These conditions are perfect when the fruit is shipped to distant markets by freight, after having, of course, been properly picked and packed. If any person should desire to test the quality of Le Conte as our Northern friends see them, we would suggest that he pick a barrelful at the proper stage, as above, head the barrel up, leave it in the shade for a week or ten days, and then take the head out and sample the contents. If he has some of the fruit to compare it with that which was picked at the same time and left lying around exposed to light and air, he will wonder how he came to have two varieties, when he supposed they were all Le Contes, and will never afterward eat a Le Conte "out of hand" if he can get one to eat "out of a barrel."

Kleffer. A seedling of China Sand Pear, supposed to have been crossed with Bartlett. Fruit large to very large, affecting the ovoid or egg shape; skin yellow, with a bright vermilion cheek; flesh brittle, very juicy, with a marked musky aroma; quality good; tree very vigorous and very prolific; begins to bear when four years old. Matures from September to October. It is unfortunate that the real merits of this fruit have been underestimated, from the haste in which it is hurried to market in an immature condition, and often before it has attained proper size. When allowed to hang upon the tree until the beginning

Cincincis Pear.

of October, and then carefully ripened in a cool, dark room, there are few Pears which are more attractive, and in point of quality it combines extreme juiciness with a sprightly subacid flavor and the peculiar aroma of the Bartlett; it is then an excellent dessert fruit.

Smith. Uniformly large and perfect, very smooth and handsome, similar in form and color to the Le Conte; melting and juicy, with smooth, creamy texture; quality very good when properly ripened. Ripens with or just ahead of the Le Conte. An early, annual and prolific bearer, and exceedingly profitable. Tree equals the Le Conte in luxurious growth.

Garber. This Pear in growth of tree closely resembles the rest of the oriental strain, but probably is more like the Smith in this respect than any other. Fruit closely resembles the Kieffer in size, shape and color, but ripens three weeks later. It has not been so thoroughly tested, but it is quite promising, and bids fair to become very valuable.

Cincincis. New. A Sand Pear of about the same type as Kieffer and Garber. Very large, rough in outline; quality about same as Kieffer. Originated in South Florida, and succeeds farther South than any other variety.

Bartlett. Large; yellow, with a soft blush on the sunny side; flesh white, exceedingly fine grained and

buttery, sweet, very juicy, with a highly perfumed, vinous flavor. This is justly esteemed one of the very best Pears in cultivation, and deserves a place in every collection; bears early and well. Ripe July 20.

Comet, or Lawson. This Pear is now attracting a good deal of attention, and promises to be a

profitable sort for the early market. The tree is a vigorous grower and very productive; fruit about medium size, and of most beautiful crimson color, on yellow ground; flesh crisp and pleasant, though not of best quality. Ripe early in July.

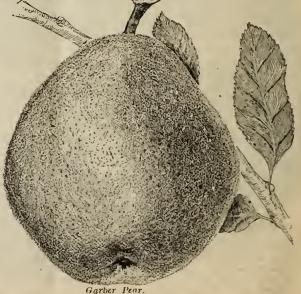
Early Harvest. Fruit medium size; skin pale yellow at maturity, with blush next to sun; flesh white, tender, sweet; among the best of its season. July.

Wilder. A beautiful early Pear; bell shaped; yellow, with slight blush; flesh yellow, fine grained, subacid; does not rot at the core. Tree vigorous and bears young. July.

Belle Lucrative. Above medium size; yellowish green; melting and fine; a good grower and bearer. One of the very best Pears, and should be in every collection. August.

Jefferson. Above medium size, pyriform in shape; color bright yellow, with a clear crimson cheek. A handsome fruit, of inferior quality, valued on account of its earliness. Ripens early in June.

Cole's Coreless. Medium to large; bright yellow when fully ripe. Quality good to best. Septemer. Peculiar in having no core and prac-



tically no seeds. A vigorous grower, resembling Clapp's Favorite in color of wood and appearance.

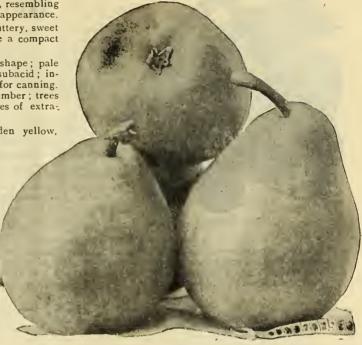
**Buffum.** Small or medium, buttery, sweet and of high flavor; productive; tree a compact grower. Ripens in August.

Mikado. Medium; Bergamot shape; pale green, washed brown; flesh brittle, subacid; inferior as a dessert fruit, but excellent for canning. Very prolific; matures during September; trees exceedingly vigorous, and with leaves of extraordinary size.

Idaho. Core small; skin golden yellow, with many russety spots; flesh melting, juicy, with a sprightly, vinous, delicious flavor. The tree is a vigorous grower, like the Le Conte. So far we do not know of any one fruiting it outside of its native home, Idaho.

Fitzwater. A vigorous, upright grower, very healthy; an annual and abundant bearer; fruit a beautiful canary or golden yellow, of medium size, slightly flushed on one cheek, with a few freckles distributed evenly over the surface, mostly at the calyx; flesh juicy and melting at the core; flavor better than Bartlett; small core and seeds. Ripens in November.

A PEAR BOOM FOR SOUTH FLORIDA IS ON. & CINCINCIS MADE IT.



Le Conte Pear.

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Jennings' Florida. This variety has been grown in this county for a number of years by William Jennings, after whom it is named. We do not know but that this may be some named variety, but up to the present time we have seen nothing identical with it, so it is known by the above local name. It is beyond question adapted to this climate, having borne uniformly heavy crops for many years past. The appearance of the tree is like those grown in any northern section; fruit large, oblate shape; color green, turning to yellowish green when fully matured; flesh white, subacid, juicy and good; a fine cooking Apple; also good to eat out of hand. Ripens in July.

Early Harvest. Size above medium; greenish, changing to yellow when fully ripe; one of the best early Apples; of fine quality, valuable for the table and for cooking; tree rather a poor grower, but an abundant bearer. Ripens in June.

Red Astrachan. Size medium to large; bright crimson, covered with white bloom; an Apple of great beauty and good quality; flesh tender, rich, subacid, fine flavor; tree a good grower and productive. Ripens early in June.

Horse. Size large; green, changing to yellow; a true Southern variety; well known and deservedly popular; tree a fair grower and very productive. Ripens last of July to August 15.

Red June. Size medium; bright red; a well-known and very valuable Southern Apple; tree a fair grower and a regular bearer. Ripens the middle of June.

BESIDES THESE, we have in stock Black Twig, Winesap, Shockley, Waycross Red and Yellow Transparent, all good Southern varieties, worthy of a trial in every section.

PALATKA, FLA., March 10, 1896.

Dear Sir: Trees arrived in splendid condition on the 18th. Accept thanks for the extra trees. Everything gave entire satisfaction.

J. W. BALL.

FLORAL CITY, FLA., March 4, 1896.

Dear Sir: Stock received in prime condition on 2d inst. The trees are very fine, and give perfect satisfaction.

DR. T. S. FELLOWS.

STARK, FLA., March 2, 1896.

Dear Sir: The shipment of trees to hand in nice condition. I am well pleased with them.

S. F. GARDNER.



Hicks' Mutberry.

#### MULBERRIES.

There is, perhaps, no fruit in the South more neglected than the Everbearing Mulberry. Every farmer should have a grove of Hicks' and Downing's Everbearing. They produce fruit 4 months in the spring and summer, and are just the thing for hogs and poultry. The acid varieties are esteemed by many for table use. Some fruit-growers plant Mulberries to attract birds from other more valuable fruits.

Prices. 1 year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet . \$0 15 \$1 25 \$900 \$70 00 1 year, standard size, 4 to 6 feet . 20 1 50 10 00 80 00 1 year, extra size, 6 feet and up . 25 2 00 13 00 100 00

Downing's Everbearing. A good large berry; more acid than the Hicks; blooms very early in the spring, and sometimes gets killed by the cold; tree very strong, upright grower; foliage dark green; tree very ornamental.

Hicks' Everbearing. This gives fruit 4 months in the year; it grows very rapidly, and should be grown largely by

every farmer who pretends to raise hogs. The economic value of the fruit is not understood by the farmers of the South.

Stubbs. A form of the native red Mulberry, discovered in Laurens county, Georgia, 20 years ago. Large, black, vinous; excellent; very prolific. Greatly superior to that produced by any of the cultivated varieties, and lasts nearly two months. Tree vigorous, with broad foliage. Handsome as well as profitable.

Russian. Much prized by some; a very rapid grower, and hardy for the South.

Multicaulis. The Silkworm Mulberry; tree a very rapid grower.

#### **-** Figs. -

	Prices.		100 1,000
1 year, small size, 1 to 2 feet		. \$0 15 \$1 25	\$ \$9 00 \$75 00
1 year, medium size, 2 to 3 feet		. 20 1 50	0 10 00 85 00
1 year, standard size, 3 to 4 feet.		. 25 1 75	12 50 100 00
I year, extra size, 4 feet and up		. 30 2 2	17 50 150 00

This is one of the most desirable of Southern fruits, and may be had for table use from June to November. It is well adapted to nearly the whole South, and no home or fruit orchard should be without it. The land for Figs should be well drained and very rich; one of the most desirable places to plant, where only a few trees are required for family use, is near a wash-house or some convenient place, where soapy water, ashes, etc., can be placed around the trees.

Sugar or Celestial Fig. Known to all lovers of Figs as the best. The fruits are small but very sweet-so sweet that you can eat them without peeling, and when the weather is favorable they often preserve themselves on a tree. photograph taken in our orchard.

Brown Turkey. Medium size; color brown; fruit sweet and of excellent quality; tree very prolific and hardy.

Lemon. Medium to large; yellow, sweet; profuse and early bearer; a very desirable variety. Hon. Harrison Reed, of Jacksonville, Florida, has one tree of this variety, which he says has given him to to 12 bushels of fruit annually for the past 10 years.

Brunswick. Fruit color violet; quality excellent; very reliable. This variety often fruits for us in the nursery rows the same season that cuttings are planted.



Sugar or Celestial Fig.

#### - QUINCES.

Each . . . . . . \$0 20 \$1 50 \$10 00 I year, on Quince stock . . . . . .

Apple, or Orange. Large, roundish; skin golden yellow; flesh cooks quite tender; an excellent variety. Ripens in November.

Chinese. Very large, specimens often weighing 3 pounds; skin greenish yellow; flesh tender when cooked; much prized for baking, jellies, preserves, etc.; tree very rapid and compact grower, and often attains the height of 12 to 15 feet at 4 to 5 years old, at which age it generally commences to bear.

Meech. Rapid grower, and claimed to be very productive; large; of orange color; good cooking qualities.

Champion. A highly recommended new variety.

Angers. Large, pear-shaped; rapid grower.

#### POMEGRANATE.

Each 100 10 . . . \$0 20 \$1 50 \$10 00 

Sweet. A desirable sort for home use and local market. The tree should be oarefully trained, with branches about 4 feet from the ground, and should not be allowed to sucker. When thus cared for it forms a beautiful thrifty tree, and is almost sure to bear a good crop of fine, palatable fruit every year.

Purple-Seeded. Very large and highly colored; pulp very juicy and of best quality; color of the rind and berry unusually bright for a sweet Pomegranate.

### NUT-BEARING TREES.

#### CHESTNUTS.

Japanese Mammoth. Is remarkable for its great size and fine flavor, in those respects being superior



to the European varieties. The tree is similar in habit of growth to the Italian Chestnut. It is a handsome, sturdy, healthy tree one of the most useful that can be grown. It grows in northern Japan, and has proved sufficiently hardy almost anywhere in the United States. Many people are deterred from planting nutbearing trees by the thought that 15 or 16 years must elapse before bringing the tree into bearing condition, while in fact the Japan Mammoth Chestnut tree bears fruit at 3 or 4 years of age. size of the nut is remarkable, some of them weighing 11/2 ounces. No nut tree in cultivation promises to be more remunerative.

Price.

Each Japan Mammoth, 1 year, 1 to 2 feet . . . . \$0 30 \$2 50 \$20 00

#### WALNUTS.

Javan Mammoth Chestnut. California Paper Shell. A variety of the English Walnut, or Madeira nut, bearing an oblong shaped nut, with a very tender shell well filled with a rich kernel.

Thin Shelled. Nuts large, oblong; shell very thin; of excellent quality, and keeps sweet a long time.

Mayette. Nuts produced in pairs; oblong, somewhat flattened; best quality; half-hard shell.

Prices.	Each	10	100
California Paper Shell, 1 year, 1 to 2 feet	 ₹0 35	<b>\$</b> 3 00	₹25 00
English, 1 year, 1 to 2 feet	 25	2 00	15 00

#### ALMONDS.

English Walnut.

Princesse and Sultana. Both are prolific, soft-shelled and very good These are the varieties mostly cultivated in Europe, and produce the bulk of the Almonds of commerce.

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1 year, medium size, 3 to 4 feet.	٠	٠				۰					۰						\$0 L	5	₹1	20	\$10 00	\$75 00	)
I year, standard size, 4 to 5 feet			٠	٠	٠								۰				2	0	I	50	12 00	100 00	)
1 year. extra size, 5 feet and up	٠	٠		٠	•		•	•	٠	٠				٠	٠	٠	2	5	2	00	15 00	125 00	)

#### PECANS.

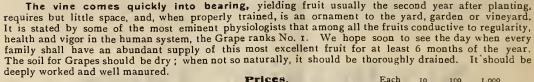
	Prices.	Each	10	100 1,000
I year, 6 inches to I foot		. \$0 15	<b>\$</b> 1 20	\$10 00 \$75 00
I year, I to 2 feet		. 20	1 50	12 00 100 00
2 years, 2 to 3 feet		. 30	2 25	17 50 150 00



Pecan.

Paper Shell. Pecan culture is rapidly increasing, there being few trees that yield as regular and larger an income after they attain the bearing age, which is at 8 to 10 years after planting. Any soil where the hickory grows is suitable to Pecans, but trees grown in rich alluvial soils produce larger crops. The Pecan tree is difficult to graft, but as the sub-varieties, of which there are many, reproduce themselves at the rate of 60 to 70 per cent, and thus the variation being small, we offer only seedlings grown from the largest Paper Shell nuts obtainable. Our customers can rely on these trees producing a large proportion of superior nuts.

### GRAPES.



. . . . . . . . \$0 15 \$1 25 \$9 00 \$60 00 25 1 75 12 00 95 00 

Diamond. A new white Grape of handsome appearance, equal or superior to Niagara in quality, and 10 days earlier than that variety. It is prolific, very thrifty and vigorous. Seems well suited for culture in the South, both for home use and for market; it has succeeded finely in South Florida.

Duchess. A new seedling from Ulster county, N. Y. Bunch medium to large, shouldered, compact; berries medium, round, greenish white; skin thin; flesh tender, without pulp; sprightly and rich. Follows Concord.

Champion. One of the earliest of American Grapes, and on that account has brought good prices in near-by markets, but is too tender for long shipment. Bunches medium; berries medium, round, blue-black; quality fair; vine healthy and vigorous.

Moore's Early. Bunch small; berry very large, round; blue-black; flesh pulpy, sweet; quality good; very early, or 2 weeks before the Concord. Valuable for market.

Brighton. Highly extolled by nearly every one who has grown it; a most excellent Grape, and has succeeded admirably here; bunches medium; berries large and reddish; skin thin; very desirable table variety.

Delaware. Bunches small to medium; fruit small; skin red or pink, and very thin; fruit juicy, vinous, excellent, held in very high esteem everywhere it is grown; only a moderate grower when young, but very hardy and vigorous when fully established; ripens in July.

Concord. Bunches and berries very large; blue-black, with bloom; skin thin, cracks easily; flesh sweet, pulpy, tender; quality good; very prolific and a vigorous grower. One of the most reliable and profitable varieties for general cultivation, and, next to Delaware, the most popular of native Grapes.

Niagara. The most popular Grape in the state to-day. Color white, with a tinge of light straw; bunches large, compact; berries large, thin-skinned, juicy, with few seeds; quality the best; a strong, vigorous grower; heavy and uniform bearer.

Worden. This variety is a seedling of Concord, which it greatly resembles in appearance and flavor, but the Grapes are larger, of better flavor, and ripen several days earlier, these features making itquery popular.



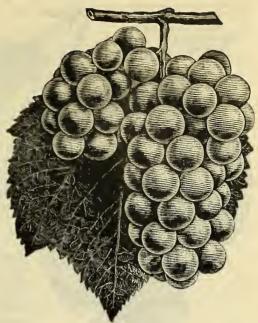
Niagara Grave.

Empire State. A new seedling, originated by James H. Ricketts from seed of the Hartford Prolific, fertilized with the Clinton. Bunches large, from 6 to 10 inches long, shouldered; berry medium to large, roundish oval; color white, with a very light tinge of yellow, covered with a thick white bloom; leaf thick, smooth underside; flesh tender, juicy, rich, sweet and sprightly, with a slight trace of native aroma; continuing a long time in use; vine very hardy.

Salem. (Rogers' No. 53.) Bunch large, compact; berry very large, round, coppery red; flesh tender, juicy; in quality one of the best. Ripens with Concord. Vine healthy, vigorous and productive. One of the best of the Rogers Grapes, and succeeds well here.

Eaton. New black Grape. Not necessary to use a spy glass to see the Eaton. It is the largest berried Grape we have ever grown. Its large size causes its sale quickly when offered in the market. The quality of Eaton is not high, but the great berries are full of juice and a tender pulp, which releases the seeds readily. It is nearly if not quite free from foxiness, and is a desirable market variety.

BESIDES THESE, we have the following well-known varieties in stock, which are too well known to need description: Agawam, Champion, Clinton, Hartford, Ives, Lady, Martha, Pocklington, Wyoming Red.



Moore's Early Grape.

#### BULLACE, or MUSCADINE TYPE.

This is a type of Grapes peculiar to the South. The yield is very large, and the cultivation has been reduced to the simplest form. Plant 50 feet apart, and train to spread over arbors constructed of durable material. They may be well fertilized, but should never be trimmed.

	Prices.			100 I,000
I year layers		. \$0 15	\$1 00	\$7 00 \$65 00
2 year transplanted vines		. 20	I 50	10 00 90 00

Tender Pulp. A seedling of the Flowers, and ripens about the same time as that variety; berries large, sweet and tender; quality good.

Thomas. Bunches seldom exceed 8 or 10 berries; color reddish purple; pulp sweet, tender, vinous; quality equal or superior to any of the above named. Maturity middle of August.

Scuppernong. Bunches composed of 8 or 10 berries, which are very large, round and bronze-colored when fully ripe; flesh sweet, pulpy, vinous; quality excellent. Matures middle of August. The vine is free from all diseases, and is exceedingly prolific.

Flowers. Berries large, black; bunches composed of from 15 to 20 berries; fruit of sweet, vinous flavor. Matures latter part of September.



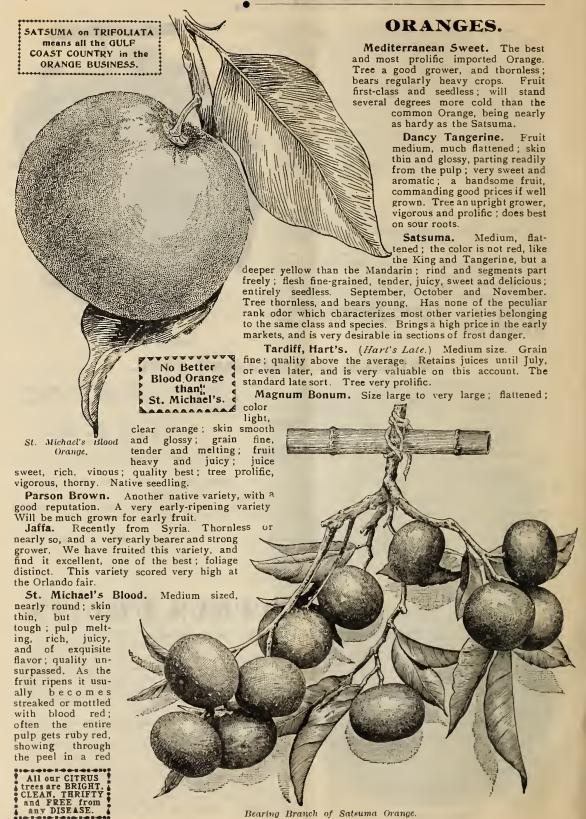
Tangerine Orange.

### CITRUS FRUITS.

Since the great freeze it has been almost impossible to supply the demand for Citrus trees. At first we experienced great difficulty in getting budwood to bud our sprouts that so rapidly came up in the nursery. We have succeeded, however, in getting a good stock of the leading varieties of Orange, Lemon, Pomelo and Kumquat for this season's trade, which we offer at popular prices.

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We have given much attention of late to the Satsuma Orange, believing it to be the only variety suited for extensive planting in North Florida and west along the Gulf Coast, and especially in Lower Louisiana and Texas, where it has proved possible to grow this variety with quite a degree of success. It is the hardiest Orange known, and we believe that when worked on the hardy Trifoliata stock, it will stand any winter we have ever had in North Florida prior to 1895.



dish blush on the outside. One of the best of the Blood Oranges. The tree is vigorous, nearly thornless, and a regular bearer.

Homosassa. Size about medium, round, somewhat flattened; very heavy; color bright; skin very smooth, thin, tough and dense; pulp fine, sweet and juicy; flavor full, vinous and sprightly; membranes covering segments of pulp thin and small in quantity; keeps and carries well. Quality best. Tree vigorous and prolific.

Pineapple. It originated in the Citra district; is of medium size, fine flavor, and highly recommended as an Orange for hammock or low lands, as the skin is very thin and tough, and it is one of the best shippers known.

King. Very large; flattened, and with loosely adhering rind and segments, like all the Mandarin varieties; color orange-red; skin rough, but general appearance fine; juicy, meaty; its high and peculiar aromatic flavor is very agreeable.

Boone's Early. Medium; skin thin; pulp tender, with very little "rag," and few seeds; quality excellent. A new variety, which is attracting much attention and being extensively planted. Claimed by its introducers to be "the earliest of all."

Centennial. This is a native Florida variety. It is generally considered one of the best native varieties. The fruit is medium in size, heavy, bright colored, with a thin, tough skin, and a sweet and juicy pulp.

Mandarin. Medium; flattened, deep yellow; skin thin; skin and segments loosely adherent; flesh dark orange-yellow; spicy and aromatic. Tree vigorous, prolific, and bears young.

#### All 1 and 2-year buds on 3 and 4-year stocks.

						Prices.				Each	Per 10	100	1,000
Satsun	ia on soi	ır, sw	eet or	trifoli	ata, 2 to 3	feet, straight				 \$0.40	\$3 50	\$30 00	\$270 00
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* *	" sou	ror t	rifolia	ta, 2-y	rear buds,	bushy			٠	• 45	4 00	32 50	300 00
Other '	varieties	i, all o	n sour	stock	, 2 to 3 fee	t, straight				 . 40	3 50	30 00	270 00
4.4	4.6	4.4	"		3 to 4 "	"				 • 45	4 00	32 50	300 00
"	"	" "	4.6		4 feet and	d up, branche	d			 . 50	4 50	35 00	325 00

#### LEMONS.

				Pric							1,000
1-year buds, 2 to 3 fe	et, on 4-ye	ear-old	sour	stocks			 	. \$0 40	\$3 50	\$30 00	\$250 00
1-year buds, 3 to 4 fe		4.4	4.4	4.4				• 45	4 00	32 50	300 00
1-year buds, 4 to 5 fe	et,	4.4	"	"				. 50	4 50	35 00	325 00

Villa Francha. Medium size; rind smooth, thin and sweet; juicy and of fine quality. Fruit a good shipper. Imported by General Sanford; considered one of the very best; has taken first rank in many competitive exhibits. This tree is described as thornless, and in most cases is nearly so, but we have found that when budded on thrifty, strong-growing stocks, the first year's growth is sometimes quite thorny.

Genoa. This tree was introduced into California from Genoa, Italy, about ten years ago. It is an early bearer, ever-bearing, and fruit of best quality as a market Lemon. Rind sweet, standing the test of both hot and cold water for 24 hours without developing bitterness.

#### POMELO, or GRAPE FRUIT.

		Per 10	
3 to 4 feet, straight	€o 50	\$4 50	\$35 00
4 feet and up, branched	60	5 00	40 00

Common Florida, Trlumph and Seedless. All well known and good varieties.

#### KUMQUATS.

Price.	H	Each	Per 10	100
1-year buds on 2-year stocks, on sweet or trifoliata stock		0 50	\$4 00	<b>₹</b> 30 00

We have in stock both the **Oblong** and **Round** varieties. A native of Japan, hence it withstands more cold than the Asiatic Orange. Tree of dwarfish habit, a beautiful, compact head, fine foliage; when in fruit, very handsome; fruit is in clusters, is eaten from the hand without removing the skin; fine, and much sought after for jams, preserves and pickles. Every one in Florida or any of the Gulf states should possess some trees of this desirable Orange.

#### CITRUS TRIFOLIATA.

																	1,000
1 year, 8 to 12 inches											 		\$0	15	\$1 00	\$4 00	<b>\$</b> 15 00
I year, I to 2 feet							٠							20	I 50	6 00	25 00
2 years, 2 to 4 feet .																	
3 years, 4 feet and up		٠			 							 		30	2 50	20 00	

A hardy species of Lemon, which withstands a cold of zero. Of bushy and very thriving habit; leaves trifoliate, dark, glossy green. Flowers large, white, the first appearing in March, and others following less profusely during May and June. Fruit similar in shape and size to Limes; very acid, and unfit to eat. As a hedge plant it is destined to become very popular; it will grow in almost any soil, and will stand great extremes of temperature, moisture and dryness without injury. As a stock for Kumquats and the Satsuma Orange it has proved valuable, but its great merit is as a hedge plant, as it forms an impenetrable barrier to man and beast, and can easily be kept in shape. It is hardy as far North as New York City.



Crape Myrtle.

Orinoco Banana. Cat

Catalpa.

Sabal Palmetto Palm. End of Trifoliata Hedge, 2 years old.

View in our Grounds.

### ORNAMENTALS,

#### Or WHAT TO PLANT FOR PLEASURE.

OUR LINE OF ORNAMENTALS is limited to a few of the most hardy and easily cared for trees and shrubs, such as we have used in decorating our own grounds, and we can guarantee everything we list to be a success in this climate. (See views of our grounds, above.)

#### DECIDUOUS SHADE TREES.

Texas Umbrella Tree. A sub-variety of the China Tree. It assumes a dense, spreading head, resembling a gigantic umbrella, and is of unique appearance. I year, 2 to 4 feet, 25 cts, each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100; 2 years, 4 to 6 feet, 35 cts. each, \$3 per 10, \$25 per 100.

Prunus Pissardii (Persian Purple-leaf Plum). The most valuable of all purple-leaved trees. It retains its deep color throughout our warmest weather, and its leaves until midwinter. We cannot too highly endorse it. I year, extra size, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100.

Willow, Weeping. Too well known to need description. I year, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100.

Texas Cottonwood. A very rapid-growing shade tree, and where a quick shade is wanted it is the most desirable tree to plant we know of. Shapely, and makes a fine appearance. 2 to 4 feet, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100; 4 feet and up, 30 cts. each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20 per 100.

Catalpa. A spreading tree, with irregular form, large heart-shaped leaves and pyramidal clusters, one foot long, of white and purplish flowers in spring and early summer. Very showy and handsome. 2 to 4 feet, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100; 4 feet and up, 30 cts. each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20 per 100.

#### BROAD-LEAVED EVERGREENS.

Camphor Tree. The tree is hardy in the lower Gulf states and in the south of Europe. It is a handsome broad-leaved evergreen. A rank-growing ornamental tree, thriving in the very poorest soil. Has been planted extensively in Florida, and is much sought for. 2 to 3 feet, 40 cts each, \$3.50 per 10.

Magnolia grandiflora. Queen of flowering evergreens; broad, glossy foliage; flowers immense, white, most fragrant. The most magnificent of all our Southern broad-leaved evergreens Blooms when quite small. 2 to 3 feet, 30 cts. each, \$2.50 per 10.

Cape Jasmine. A well-known and popular plant, producing its large, fragrant white flowers from May to September. A native of China, instead of the Cape of Good Hope, as the name implies. Hardy throughout the lower South. Makes a very beautiful ornamental hedge. Hardy as far North as Virginia. A grand evergreen, easily grown, and very popular. 2 to 4 feet, very bushy, 30 cts. each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20 per 100.

Japan Medlar, or Loquat. The fruit is the size of a Plum, yellow, and of delicious taste. One of our most beautiful broad-leaved evergreens. Resists drouth, soggy soil and the many obstacles to successful plunt-growth, well. Leaves are large, andof a pleasing shade of blue-green. We consider it much

finer than Ficus elastica as a decorative plant. I year, from seed, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10; 2 years, from seed, 35 cts. each, \$3 per 10.

Kumquat. An excellent yard tree; nothing handsomer when full of its bright golden fruit. See full description under head of Citrus Fruits. Also price.

#### CONIFERS.

Price. Each Per 10 1 to 2 feet . . . . \$0 30 \$2 50 \$20 00 . . . . . . 2 to 4 feet . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 35 3 00 25 00

Chinese Arborvitæ. An extraordinary cleanlooking plant that strikes the finer feelings of every one who sees it. Few plants have the attractions that this has. Perfectly hardy, and seems to grow well in any climate.

Arborvitæ, Compact. More compact than

the Chinese, and a finer tree.

Cypress, Torulosa. A very beautiful pyramidal, hardy, much-branched tree. 50 to 75 feet. Intro-duced from the Himalayas in 1824.

Cedar, Red. Our native Red Cedar is the most universally successful evergreen, thriving in any of our soils under most adverse conditions, and free from disease; most attractive left to grow spreading and stately, but bears shearing.

#### HEDGE PLANTS.

California Privet. A very ornamental shrub, with thick, glossy, nearly evergreen leaves; very popular for ornamental hedges, and flourishes al-most everywhere. See view No. 1, on back cover for Privet hedge in our grounds 2 to 4 feet, 20 cts. each, \$1.50 per 10, \$10 per 100.

We also highly recommend for hedges Citrus trifoliata, McCartney Rose, Chinese Arborvitæ, Cape Jasmine, and Althæa. For full descriptions and prices, see respective classes.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Althæa, or Rose of Sharon. This is one of the most desirable of shrubs, as it produces flowers in great profusion during three months. Colors, white

and pink. 2 to 4 feet, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100; 4 to 6 feet, 35 cts. each, \$3 per 10, \$20 per 100.

#### Crape Myrtle.

In Florida and the South the Crape Myrtle takes the place of the lilac, so common at the North. Makes the most charming flowering hedge known. A success with every one. 3 to 6 feet, 30 cts. each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20 per 100.

White. This is quite scarce, and very lovely.
Purple. A grand sort, producing immense quantities of blooms of a rich purple color.

Scarlet. A very dark-shaded variety; in our opinion the very best of all. A gorgeous plant.

#### Sabal Palmetto Palm.

Hardy in all the Southern states. When planted in an open place makes a handsome head. Will stand zero weather, and in summer and winter alike is of a deep, rich green. Most beautiful tree in our grounds. (See view on preceding page.) Strong plants, \$1 each.

#### Honeysuckle.

Almost an evergreen; hardy, and a vigorous grower; flowers very fragrant, of a pure white, changing to yellow; rank climber. Strong 2-year plants, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10.

#### Orinoco Banana.

Very hardy. Fruit large, but comparatively few Should be grown as an ornamental in a bunch. plant, even where no fruit is expected. Adds a tropical appearance to any grounds. (See view of our grounds, opposite page.) Strong plants, 25 cts. each.

#### Pampas Grass.

Grows luxuriantly in Florida; the large white plumes are well known. The form of a clump resembles a fountain of water, the leaves curling and reaching to the ground on every side. 25 cts. per

### OSES.

The varieties listed are only kinds that have been tested by us during 1896 and prior, and are the best growing and choicest flowers from a collection of over 200 varieties that we have in our Rose garden.

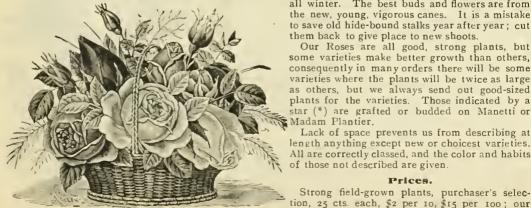
IMPORTANCE OF PRUNING. Don't try to save the tops of your Roses when you transplant. Cut them back well; even to only three or four buds and leaves is best, and in a few weeks you will be awakened with strong young, healthy shoots full of blossom-buds. Prune your Roses every October, cutting back everything but a few strong, healthy young shoots, and you will be favored with buds and blossoms all winter. The best buds and flowers are from

> them back to give place to new shoots. Our Roses are all good, strong plants, but some varieties make better growth than others, consequently in many orders there will be some varieties where the plants will be twice as large as others, but we always send out good-sized plants for the varieties. Those indicated by a star (\*) are grafted or budded on Manetti or Madam Plantier.

> Lack of space prevents us from describing at length anything except new or choicest varieties. All are correctly classed, and the color and habits of those not described are given.

#### Prices.

Strong field-grown plants, purchaser's selection, 25 cts. each, \$2 per 10, \$15 per 100; our selection, 20 cts. each, \$1.50 per 10, \$12 per 100.



Select Tea Roses.



Estelle Pradel Rose.

#### KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS.

(Bk.) Banksia, (Bour.) Bourbon, (Beng.) Bengal, (H. Ch.) Hybrid China), (H. N.) Hybrid Noisette, (H. R.) Hybrid Remontant, (H. T.) Hybrid Tea, (M.) Moss, (N.) Noisette, (Pol.) Polyantha, (Prov.) Provence, (T.) Tea, (Cl.) Climber.

\*Archduke Charles (Beng ) Variable, light pink in center, deep crimson border. A rank grower, and the most desirable Rose we have of its class.

Crimson Rambler (Pol.). New. This superb novelty is of the Polyantha class, and was originally received from Japan. The flowers are produced in great pyramidal panicles or trusses, each carrying from 30 to 40 blooms, the individual flowers measuring about 1 to 1½ inches in diameter and remaining perfect on the plant upwards of two weeks, with their freshness of color unimpaired. The foliage is bright green and glossy, and contrasts finely with the bright crimson of the flowers.

Duchess of Albany (H. T.). Is identical with La France, excepting in three points. These are: A more vigorous growth, a larger and more expanded flower, and a deep, even pink in color; not shaded, but what is called a solid color. Ladies prefer it on account of its beautiful color to any other Rose for personal adornment, as it shows up well against either light or dark dress goods to charming advantage.

\*Duchesse de Brabant (T.). Exquisite shell-pink, tinged at the edges with carmine. The buds and opening flowers are very beautiful. The flowers hold their form and color for a long time after being cut. In coloring

it is unsurpassed, perhaps unequaled, by any pink Rose. It is strong and vigorous, and blooms profusely the year round. One of the best for this region of the South.

\*Dr. Sewell (H. R.). A noble Rose. Large, bold flower, well borne up; very full and fragrant; brilliant crimson, center deep purple; one of the best.

\*Etoile de Lyon (T.). This magnificent Tea Rose originated at Lyons, France. Color beautiful chrome yellow, deepening at the center to pure golden yellow; flowers very large, double and full, and deliciously fragrant; one of the very best Roses of its class.

\*Estelle Pradel (T). Half-climbing habit; valuable in the South; lovely, pure white buds; flowers medium size, full and sweet. A very rank grower; can be trained to climb, or will make as plendid bush Rose. Flowers grow in great clusters. Really the most valuable pure white Rose, where little attention is given, that we have.

\*Gloire des Polyanthes (Pol.) A beautiful dwarf variety, with quite small flowers, which are prettily cupped. A real "fairy rose." The color is a bright pink, with a red ray through each petal; quite distinct.

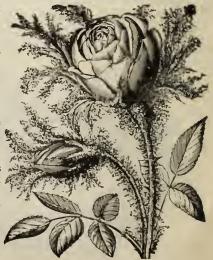
\*Glory of Mosses (M.) This, when it has become well established, is one of the most beautiful Roses imaginable. The open flowers are very bright and of most delicious fragrance. Color a rich, glossy pink, tinged crimson; large and globular. The buds are almost hid with beautiful green moss. A superb sort, and easily grown.

\*La Reine (H. R.). Rosy lilac; very large and full; a vigorous grower; very hardy. Free bloomer and most showy flower; really a ''queen'' among Roses.

\*Louis Philippe (Beng.). Rich, velvety crimson. While not as valuable for bouquets as some varieties, as the petals soon drop after the flowers are cut, it is the most showy and satisfactory dark red Rose we have for gardens and grounds. It makes a large, vigorous bush, and there is scarcely a time during the entire year when it is not covered with bright red flowers. There are always flowers, and nearly always quantities of them.

\*Mad. Georges Bruant (Hyb. Rugosa). A cross between the single Rugosa and Sombreuil. Immense semi-double flowers of glistening white; deliciously fragrant; brings clusters of long pointed buds. A beautiful Rose for the lawn.

McCartney (Pol.). With proper attention this oeautiful evergreen Rose makes a perfectly impenetrable and very ornamental hedge in a short time. A wire or other support should be stretched above the row of cuttings, at a height of about 3 feet, to which the first long shoots should be fastened. They will soon become self-supporting, and will serve as a support for the shoots that follow. Flowers single, pure white.



Moss Rose.

Mrs. de Graw (Bour.). May be depended upon to produce flowers in abundance. In color it is a rich, glossy pink, delightfully fragrant, and is such a strong, vigorous grower that it is almost impregnable against attacks of the insects which usually destroy some of our finest Roses; thus it is certain to be unequaled for the garden or cemetery. A royal Rose.

Marie Van Houtte (T.). Of a fine, faultless straw-yellow color, with the outer petals washed and outlined with a bright, rosy crimson; occasionally the whole flower will be suffused with light pink. It grows vigorously, blooms freely, and is most deli-ciously scented. In cool weather it almost changes color, taking on gorgeous crimson tints. A beautiful and superb Rose.

Marie Lambert (T.). Pure white. It has been called the White Hermosa, as it resembles Hermosa in form and freedom of bloom, and is quite as valuable; for, though no claim has been made for it as a fancy Rose, its persistence in bloom will make it a

very popular white variety.

Rainbow (T.). New. This new Rose from California, which, no doubt, will be extensively planted, was awarded a silver cup by the State Floral Society. The color is a lovely shade of deep floral pink, striped and mottled in the most unique manner with intense crimson, and elegantly colored with rich golden amber at center of base of petals. It makes beautiful buds, and the flowers are extra large, very sweet, and of great depth and substance.

\*Salet (M.). Light rose; medium size, flat; very free bloomer. One of the best Moss Roses known.

Snowflake (T.). New. This is a lovely white

Rose, a pure Tea, the freest flowering white Rose we have seen.

The Queen (T). A pure snow-white Rose; makes good, finely formed buds, and is quite full, showing the center but slightly when fully open. The petals are thick and of good substance; opens well, is very sweet, and has proved valuable, both for forcing and open ground planting.

\*Beauty of Stapleford (H. T.). Red, tinged

violet : large buds.

Bride (T.). Pure white; large, well-shaped buds. Bridesmaid (T.). Flesh pink; large, constant bloomer

\*Baltimore Belle (Prairie). Pale blush, chang-

ing to white.

\*Banksia (Bk.). Clear yellow; small,

\*Baron Prevost (H. R.). Pure rose color; large and fragrant

Climbing La France (H. T.). A new novelty. Christine de Noue (T.). New. Beautiful red. \*Cheshunt Hybrid (H. T.). Red, shaded violet;

quite distinct. \*Cecile Bruner (Pol.). Bright rose; flowers in

\*Climbing Devoniensis (Cl. T.). Creamy white, blush center

\*Clement Massier (N.). Rose color, lighter at

Catherine Mermet (T.). Light flesh-pink; good form

Clothilde Soupert (Pol.). Double, pink center. Largest of Polyanthas.

Deuil de Col. Denfort (H. R.). Black velvety purple.

\*Gen. Jacqueminot (H. R.). Large, fragrant;

brilliant crimson

Henry M. Stanley (T.). New. A beautiful amber.

Hermosa (Bour.). Bright rose; bloomer; small.

\*Her Majesty (H. R.). Clear, bright rose; large and full.

\*John Hopper (H. R.), Bright rose, carmine center; globular.

\*James Sprunt (Beng.). Climbing. Rich crimson; flowers large.

\*Jules Margottin (H. R.). Carmine-rose; large, somewhat flat.

Kaiserin Augusta Victoria (H. T.). Snowy white; a grand Rose

Lettie Coles (T.). White, pink center; free; excellent.

La France (H. T.). Silvery rose, changing to pink; popular.

\*Lamarque (Cl. N.). White, sulphur center;

fragrant. \*Louis Richard (T.). Coppery rose; free bloomer.

\*Marechal Niel (Cl. N.). Deep yellow; large, globular; fragrant.

\*Mad. Alfred Carriere (H. N.). White; well

\*Mrs. James Wilson (T.). Lemon-yellow, margined with heliotrope.

Mad. Schwaller (H. T.). Bright rose color.

\*Mad. Lambard (T.). Rosy salmon, variable.

\*Mad. Camille (T.). Pale pink, large and hand-

\*Magna Charta (H. Ch.). Pale pink, globular; fragrant.

\*Mad. Jean Sisley (Beng.). Beautiful white,

cup-formed.

\*Mad. Plantier (H. Ch.). Pure white; above

medium size, flat. \*Max Singer (Cl. Pol.). Light red; medium size; blooms in clusters

Mad. de Watteville (T.). Creamy white,

edge rose; large, double.

Mad. Welche (T.). Pale yellow, coppery cen-

ter; large and full Mad. Joseph Schwartz (T.). Blush, edges of

petals carmine Marie Guillot (T.). White, tinged with yellow.

Maman Cochet (T.). Flesh pink, yellow at base of petals.

Meteor (N.). Bright carmine-red; free.

Mad. Francisca Kruger (T.). Yellowish rose. Perle des Jardins (T.). Canary yellow; large, well formed.

Papa Gontier (T.). Deep red, large, handsome

\*Paul Neyron (H. R.). Deep rose, large and full; fragrant

\*Pride of Reigate (H. R.). Carmine-red, striped with white.

Prairie Queen (Prairie). Rosy red, white stripes. Reine Olga de Wurtemburg (N.). Scarlet-red. Robert E. Lee (T.). Orange-yellow; elegant long buds.

\*Reve d'Or (N.). Buff-yellow; full, free bloomer; climber.

\*Safrano (T.). Apricot-yellow; long, beautiful buds: free.

\*Solfaterre (N.). Cl. Sulphur-yellow; large. Souv. de Victor Hugo (T.). Pinkish rose; large, well formed

Viscountess Folkestone (H. T.). Flesh white, pearly pink shadings.

White La France (H. T.) Pearly white, La France habit.

Waltham Queen (H. R.). Cherry red, good

\*Zelia Pradell (Cl. T.). Creamy white; fine buds, in clusters.

### HOW TO PLANT

#### AND CARE FOR YOUNG TREES AND ORCHARDS.

While we believe the following hints will be useful to all practical orchardists and horticulturists, they



Peach tree one year from planting.

are intended principally for the benefit of beginners.
The points herein contained are based upon our own experience, and we know them to be reliable.

TIME FOR PLANTING. In this climate vegetation, although inactive in winter for the formation of leaves and new wood, is never so as to new roots. A tree transplanted in November or December will by the ensuing spring have formed sufficient new roots to give it a firm hold in the ground, and it will grow rapidly when active vegetation commences; hence it is advisable to plant as early as practicable, but planting may be done successfully as late as March.

SELECTION AND PREPARATION OF AN CACHARD SITE. In selecting a site for a fruit orchard, the question of drainage outweighs all others. Do not think you can plant your trees out on some waste land that is too poor or too wet and sour to grow anything else, and expect good results. The land that will make the best corn and cotton will make the best orchard. Any land that will drain readily and not hold water on or near the surface long at a time may be made suitable by throwing up beds with a plow and setting the trees on the ridges, leaving the water furrows midway between the rows, running the same general direction as the slope of the land. New land is better than old fields, especially for peaches and grapes, but either should be thoroughly broken and well pulverized. In all cases, keep your eye on the drainage.

CARE OF TREES ON ARRIVAL. If not ready to plant on the day of arrival, or if you have more than you can plant within a few hours, they should be at once heeled-in. To do this properly, select a moist,

well-drained spot, but avoid soggy or sour land; dig a trench about 18 inches deep, sloping on one side; place the roots in the bottom of the trench, with the tops leaning up the sloping side; spread out the trees so that they will not be too thick, then sift fine dirt well among the roots, and wet down. Now fill the rench to the level of the ground and pack well with the feet, after which cover with loose dirt. Trees thus served will keep all winter. If the trees have been delayed in transit, and are somewhat shriveled, they may be restored by cutting back and bedding for three or four days, in the same manner as seed cane its bedded, taking care not to have the trees too thick.

#### NUMBER OF TREES OR PLANTS TO THE ACRE.

		No. of trees   Distance apart, feet No. of trees	
		537   17 by 17	
		435   18 by 18	
		360 19 by 19	
		302 20 by 20	
		257   25 by 25 69	
		222 30 by 30 48	
		193   35 by 35	
8 by 8	680   16 by 16	170 40 by 40	7

#### PROPER DISTANCES FOR PLANTING.

Feet each way	Feet each way
	Grapes-Northern varieties 8 to 10
Plums	Southern, Muscadine 18 to 25
	Quinces
Oranges—hardy kinds 18 to 20	Figs
Japan Persimmons 15 to 20	Pecans 30 to 40
Apples—standard 18 to 20	Medlars
Apricots	

**TRANSPLANTING.** The broken or mutilated portions of the roots must be cut off so as to leave the ends smooth and sound, and the ends of all the other roots should be pruned. From the ends the new fibrous roots usually start. Use a sharp knife, and be careful to slope from underside, so the cut surface will face downward. Thin out the fibrous roots. The ground being properly prepared, make the holes large enough to admit the roots without cramping, then place the trees in the hole to the depth that it grew in the nursery, spreading out their roots in their natural position with the hands, placing the finest and best pulverized dirt obtainable in close contact with every root and fiber, then with the hoe more dirt could be pulled around the tree and packed with the feet, pressing at the bottom of the tree so it will stand perpendicular. Should the ground be dry, make a basin of dirt around the tree and pour in a pail of water,



(1) Rose, (2) Pear, (3) Peach, (4) Citrus, (5) Plum, (6) Fig.

The above illustrates the general appearance and characteristics of trees as they are received from the nursery, and also the manner in which both the tops and roots of the several classes of trees should be pruned before planting.

which will be very beneficial. After this is done, place around the tree some sod, pine straw, wire-grass, or something to act as a mulch, and prevent the surface from drying. This will keep the ground in a moist condition, and the tree will hardly need any subsequent, watering.

PRUNING AT TIME OF PLANTING. One-year-old peaches, pears, apples, plums, prunes, apricots, almonds, quinces, Japanese persimmons, mulberries, etc., should be trimmed to a straight stem and cut back so as to stand from 2 to 4 feet high, according to the height that you wish them to head; 2½ to 3 feet is the height preferred by most orchardists. Be very particular to leave four or five well-developed buds at the top of the stem; this is very important, and if there is none at the desired height, you will have to cut higher or lower. During the growing season keep all the growth rubbed off below these top buds, which should be left to form a nice, shapely head.

Texas umbrellas, pecans and walnuts should not be cut back when transplanted. Figs should be cut back to 2 feet; cut off the mass of fibrous roots and shorten the laterals to 4 or 5 inches.

SUBSEQUENT PRUNING. Peaches, plums, apricots, persimmons, figs, mulberries, etc., usually require very little pruning, except to remove straggling branches, chafing limbs and water-sprouts. Pears and apples should be headed-in early in the spring, before the growth starts, for the first two or three years, leaving only about 8 to 12 inches of the previous year's growth, cutting the outer branches somewhat shorter than the inner ones.

PRUNING GRAPES. Shorten the roots at time of planting to 4 or 5 inches, and the tops to only three buds; set in the ground, leaving two buds above the surface, but permit only one of them to grow. The second year cut this cane back to four buds, and again permit only one to grow. The third year cut back to 2½ or 3 feet, and train to a stake or trellis, leaving only three or four branches grow at the top; each year afterwards cut back, leaving only three or four buds of the previous year's growth. Muscadines do not need trimming, and should be trained on an arbor.

FERTILIZING. This is a matter that we will leave to the planter, although we would suggest that he give his trees a liberal amount of some well-tested fertilizer, such as Mapes cr other high grade goods, the

first year, which should be applied after the tree has started growth, say one-half pound to the tree, scat-



Peach tree 30 months from planting.

tered around to the distance of 3 feet from the tree and well raked in. Then, if the ground is covered with some good mulching and kept clean, all early bearing fruits, such as peaches, plums, etc., may be brought to a bearing size and condition at the end of the first season, after which time fertilizers containing a large percentage of potash should be used. All kinds of trees are greatly benefited by bone meal, ashes and cotton-seed meal, although care should be taken that no fertilizer should be used which has to undergo a heating process in the ground. Well-rotted manure and compost will greatly benefit trees for years.

CULTIVATION. The first two years we advocate clean cultivation. After the second year, the grass may be allowed to growafter July, and be plowed under in the fall. This method will turn sufficient humus into the ground to keep the soil improving. Where crops are planted in the orchard, they are kept clean until this time. The only crops that we can recommend in orchard would be cotton and tobacco or

truck gardening, when large quantities of fertilizers are used, so that the trees are not robbed.

#### INSECTS AND REMEDIES.

No plant exists that does not in some manner furnish food for something else, hence all of our fruits and flowers are subject to attacks from insects and fungoids. The remedies here given are necessarily brief, but if properly and persistently applied they will, in most cases, prove effective.

Root-Knot. In treating on this microscopic insect, Anguillula, which has been so disastrous to the

peach, fig, mulberry and Myrobolan plum, and some field-crops, we can suggest no remedy.

In planting trees of the above-named kinds, we recommend that they be put on new land as far as possible; but if obliged to plant in old land, holes should be dug to the depth of 3 feet, the soil for 18 inches from the surface being thrown on one side, the remainder on the other, then the top soil put in the bottom and the tree planted at the proper depth in the soil thrown from the bottom of the hole, well mixed with ashes, not allowing the roots to come in contact with the surface soil; then the surface soil should be hoed back for some distance from the tree, and wire-grass, turf or leaf-mold put in its place. Trees thus planted will do well. When practicable, we would advise planting in new land, as in new land there is no danger from this insect. This insect increases wonderfully in land planted to cow-peas or sweet potatoes, and these crops should not be planted among this class of trees.

Borer. This small white grub attacks trees at the crown. Their presence may be known by the gummy juice oozing out near the ground. Dig them out with a sharp knife, and remove all dead bark. As a preventive of further depredations, apply twice a year a quart of unleached ashes around the tree, or wash the tree with lye below the branches down as low as the wound extends. This is good for the tree,

whether there is anything the matter with it or not.

Curculio. This is a small grayish brown beetle, that stings the plum and other stone fruits from the time they are formed until they are nearly grown. The beetle lays its egg in the puncture, and this egg hatches into a small white grub, that destroys the fruit. The most effective remedy known is to jar the tree with a padded mallet, after spreading a sheet under the tree to catch the beetles and affected fruit, which should be burned. Do this early in the morning every two or three days until the fruit is half grown. A spraying with Paris Green or London Purple is considered effective by many. This should be done once a week. A plan we practise is to keep hogs or geese in the orchard; they eat the wormy fruit as it falls.

Caterpillars. These are sometimes quite destructive if left alone, but by diligently removing the nests

as fast as they appear, serious damage can be prevented.

Plant Lice. Spray with tobacco solution or kerosene emulsion.

Grape Mildew. Spray with Bordeaux mixture.

Tobacco Water. One pound of tobacco boiled in three gallons of water.

London Purple or Paris Green Solution. One pound of London purple or Paris green dissolved in 200 gallons of water. Add one gallon of lime water.

Bordeaux Mixture. One pound of sulphate of copper dissolved in one gallon of hot water; in another vessel slake one pound of rock lime in six quarts of cold water; when cool, pour in the copper solution and Add two gallons of water before using.

Kerosene Emulsion. Four pounds of whale-oil soap dissolved in one gallon boiling water; add to this while hot, two gallons of kerosene; churn violently with a spray pump or garden syringe until the mass becomes the consistency of butter. Add 30 gallons of water before using.

#### MAKE FRIENDS

of your trees. Live in your orchard. Watch, love and nurse your trees. Then they will smile on you, and even blush when you look at them, and bow down to you and say, "Come and lift from us this burden of fruit; it is all yours-yours for the kind treatment you have given us."



HAULING FRUIT.

Checking up in front of Office.

The above is a common sight, during the fruit season, between our packing house and the depot, and many times during the rush of the season we have had to have four wagons on the road, and upwards of 100 hands in our orchards and packing houses.

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Yours truly, WATERS & Co.

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 7, 1896.

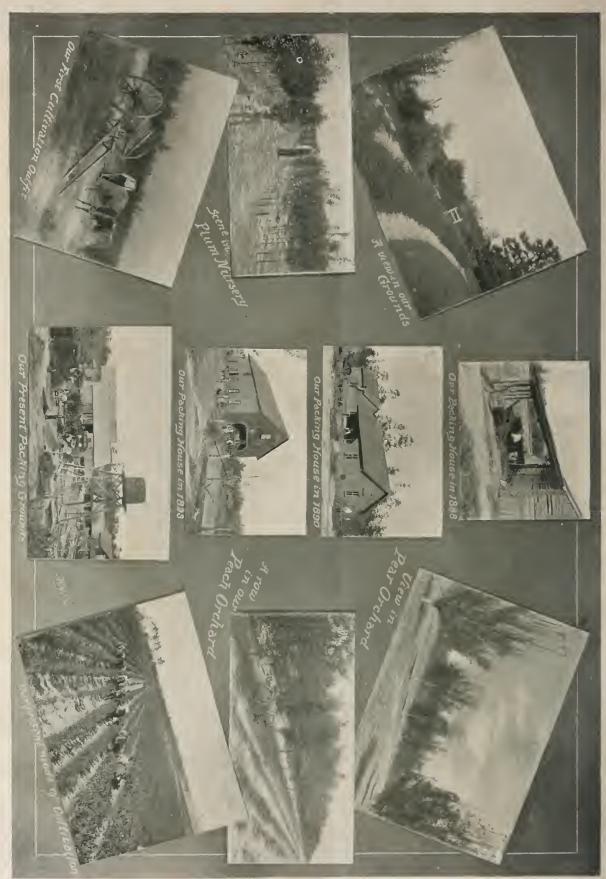
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