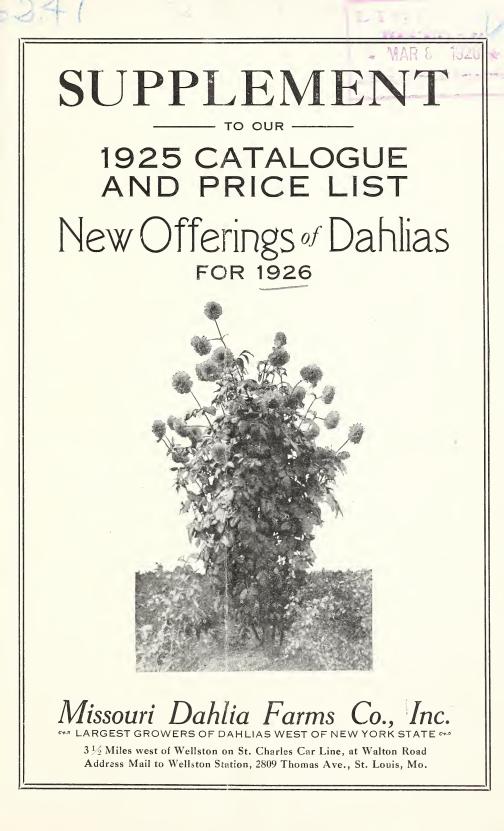
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A PERSONAL LETTER

Dear Friends:

We feel that an explanation is due at this time.

Last year in getting out our catalogue we made provisions for an extensive campaign of advertising through the fairs and flower shows of the adjoining states but the extremely unfavorable growing season and early frost prevented our doing so, consequently we had left on hands 10,000 catalogues and will use these in conjunction with our 1926 offerings as long as they last.

You will notice we have omitted dedescriptions of the varieties that we offered last year, therefore it will be important that you have our 1925 catalogue to use with this years offerings. If you have not one already, fill out the enclosed card and mail same to us and we will promptly send you another copy.

With best wishes for your success, we remain,

Very truly yours, F. M. DAVIS, Pres. 

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IT IS WITH PLEASURE THAT WE GREET OUR FLOWER LOVING FRIENDS WITH OUR 1926 OFFERINGS

In spite of the fact that last year was the most discouraging growing season that the Middle-west has ever experienced and especially Dahlia growers, (the extreme heat and drought in summer and early heavy freeze cut most of us short of any flowers and in many cases no increase of bulbs) we are more enthusiastic over the possibilities of the Dahlia in the Middle-west than ever before and to back this claim up we are adding more to our stock this year than any previous year.

While we have discontinued the growing of many varieties we are adding many of the most recent introductions and especially of the higher class varieties. Many of these we are offering to our friends this year and many more we have only in small quantities just trying them out and will be able to offer them to you another year.

Last year we grew Dahlias in several different localities, trying them out under varied conditions. We had 3 plantings of 1 acre each in different places, 2 in Illinois and one in another part of Missouri, and one under our supervision on a private estate—besides our regular planting near home, making our entire planting 25 or more acres.

We are willing as usual to give our friends the advantage of our experiments. On account of the unusual season all experiments were a failure except the one on the private estate. These were planted July 1st. Many of the most prominent high class varieties of recent introduction were included in this planting. A liberal covering of cow manure was worked into the ground the fall before (see instructions on page 7 of catalogue) At planting time a hole was opened about 14 inches square and the same depth. Two four inch pots of Sheep Manure and one four inch pot of Bone Meal were put in the bottom of the hole and mixed with the soil; a covring of sand was placed to bring it up to about 6 inches of the top of the ground and the bulb placed on its side and then covered with sand, the remainder of the hole filled with good loose soil. The ground was well worked and plants treated as suggested under this heading on page 8 of catalogue. After buds began to form a treatment of liquid manure, as directed on pages 7 and 8 of our guide was resorted to and a liberal amount of water was made use of.

This may seem an awful lot of work for a few flowers, but you should have seen the flowers, even in spite of a season like we had last year. I never saw such flowers. True enough the season was short, but we were paid for the work given.

If you want good flowers and plenty of them feed and water them and they will respond with their gorgeous beauties.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Order early as many of the new varieties will soon be exhausted as will many of the older ones on account of short crop last year.

We have omitted the height of many of the varieties as they are new to us.

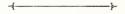
We have placed all varieties of Dahlias, except Pompons in regular alphabetic order with the class to which they belong immediately following the name. We believe this a more convenient way of listing them.

GUARANTEE—We guarantee every bulb sent out to be true to description and to be in a healthy condition with at least 1 eye and no broken necks. Further than this we do not obligate ourselves.

No complaint will be entertained regarding the condition of the bulbs or plants except same is made immediately upon receipt of the order. It is strictly understood that in no case will we be responsible for more than the original cost of the bulb or plant.

SUBSTITUTION—We do not substitute except with your consent. In case you will allow us to do so, when out of the variety wanted we will give as good or better than the variety ordered.

The Dahlias will be furnished in strong field grown tubers.



SPECIAL DAHLIA OFFERINGS

NOTICE—These prices supersede all previous prices and offerings, therefore select your varieties from this list and not from the 1925 catalogue.

6 of any one variety at the price of 5. Where a dozen or more assorted are selected we are liberal in giving extras.

We are in touch with all of the prominent growers in the United States and can procure for you anything that may not be listed herein at the prevailing prices.

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OFFER No. 1

1	JACK ROSE	.35
1	DELICE	.35
1	QUEEN VICTORIA	.20
1	PERLEDE LYON	.40
	AUTUMN BEAUTY	
1 1	BERTHA VON SUTNER OR	,35
REGULAR	PRICE	\$1.90
SPECIAL	PRICE FOR 6 BULES	\$1.50

OFFER No. 2

1 1 1	CORONA LEO ETENDARD de LYON ORANGE KING WHITE CAP & PRICE	75 75 75
SPECIAL	PRICE FOR 4 BULBS	\$3.00

OFFER No. 3

MIXED at \$1.00 per 12......\$6.00 per 100.....50 at 100 rate.

DAHLIAS

ACQUISITION, No. 81, SHOW—See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

ACQUITANA, No. 601, CACTUS—See page 16 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.00

A. D. LIVONI, No. 41, SHOW — See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

ALBERT MANDA, No. 706, DECORA-TIVE-See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

AMBASSADOR, No. 696, HYBRID CACTUS—Awarded the first prize at the San Francisco show, 1921, for the best and most artistic variety exhibited. Its color is a soft yellow at the center with salmon, amber and pink shadings, gradually deepening towards the tips. The blending of these colors captivates all. The flowers are of largest size and set just right on perfect stems. A strong grower and free bloomer. Price 3.00

AMERICAN BEAUTY, No. 638, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

AMI NONIN, No. 75, COLLARETTE— See page 38 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

AMI PHIL GAY, No. 639, DECORA-TIVE—See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

AMUN RA, No. 748, DECORATIVE-See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

AMITYVILLE, No. 741, DECORA-TIVE—See pgae 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.50

ARROW OF GOLD, No. 695, DECORA-TIVE—This beautiful variety is a refined blossom of pure gold, deepening in the center and shading to golden-apricot and amber at the outer petals. The imense deep blooms are held on long stiff stems; a wonderful cut flower and exhibition variety. Price **\$2.50**

AUTUMN BEAUTY, No. 45, DECORA-TIVE—See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

AUTUMN PERFECTION, No. 11, PEONY-See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

AUTUMN QUEEN, No. 83, SHOW—See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

AYESHIA, No. 686, DECORATIVE page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c AZALEA, No. 710, DECORATIVE—See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

BASHFUL GIANT, No. 694, DECORA-TIVE—A gigantic bloom, where size is one of the requisites for exhibition. It is all that could be desired. It is also of great merit for its beautiful color—being apricot with golden shadings. Flowers are produced on stout stems, but it is a better garden or exhibition variety than a cut flower. This is an eastern prize winning dahlia. Price **\$2.00**

BEAUTY OF ROSEMONT, No. 699, DECORATIVE—See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

BERCH VON HEEMSTEDE, No. 111, PEONY—See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

BERTHA VON SUTNER, No. 112, PEONY—See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

BRIDES BOQUET, No. 37, CACTUS-See page 16 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 50c

BURLEIGH, No. 20, SHOW—See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 20c

CALIFORNIA PEONY, No. 113—See page 34 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

CARMENCITA, No. 641, DECORA-TIVE-See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

CARR'S PINK, No. 5, CACTUS-See page 16 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

CHALLENGE, No. 642, DECORATIVE ---See page 23 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 50c

CIGARETT, No. 693, HYBRID CAC-TUE—This distinct and novel Dahlia has attracted wide attention. In color it is creamy white, heavily edged with pomegranate red, but it varies greatly, no two flowers being exactly alike. The petals are long and inclined to roll, forming a large, deep, well-shaped flower of great substance on very long stems of best quality. Price \$2.50

CLAUDE HARLAN, No. 692, DECOR-ATIVE—A beautiful clear lavender-pink, very large, petals wavy forming a most graceful flower, early, very free and good for all purposes. Price **\$3.00**

CONQUEST, No. 691, CACTUS-Large crimson maroon; strong stems and very good. Price 75c CORONA LEO, No. 738, HYBRID CAC-TUS-See page 16 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

COUNTESS OF LONSDALE, No. 1, CACTUS—See page 17 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

CRIMSON BEAUTY, No. 644 DEC-ORATIVE—See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price 20c

CUBAN GIANT, No. 17, SHOW—See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

C. W. BRUTON, No. 690, DECORA-TIVE-Deep Yellow, good size flower, free bloomer. Price 35c

DADDY BUTLER, No. 689, HYBRID CACTUS—An immense flower of truest form for exhibition, and a good cutflower. A most unusual blending of colors American Beauty shades or rosy carmine, and the reverse of the beautifully twisted and rolled petals of a lighter tint, giving a variation of color. The stem is perfect, and the bush is always covered with large, perfect blooms, which last for days when cut. Price \$2.50

DAKOTA, No. 688, DECORATIVE— One of Judge Mareans introductions producing very large exhibition flowers of good form on good stout stems, color a deep tone of rich coral-red with coppery suffusion; a good decorative garden and exhibition variety. Price \$1.50

DARLENE, No. 12, DECORATIVE— See page 23 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 60c

DELICE, No. 2, DECORATIVE—See page 23 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

DOAZON, No. 645, DECORATIVE-See page 23 in 1925 catalouge.

Price 50c

DREER'S WHITE, No. 86, SHOW-See page 36 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 35c

DR. TEVIS, No. 600, DECORATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 75c

EARL OF PEMBROKE, No. 606, CAC-TUS—See page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

EARL WILLIAMS, No. 591, DECOR-ATIVE — An exceptionally attractive fancy or variegated variety, the flowers are of largest size, of splendid formation of a brilliant crimson-scarlet color,

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each petal tipped with white; an early and free bloomer that continues in good shape to the end of the season.

Price \$1.00

ELITE GLORY, No. 590, DECORA-TIVE—Perhaps there is no other **flower** that has ever been put on the market that bid fair to have as great a future as this marvelous Dahlia. The following is the introducers description.

This great Dahlia was originated by us in 1923 and ever since its appearance as a Second Year Flower in 1924 it has created a sensation wherever exhibited. It is the most spectacular exhibition flower in the World. A Break among Dahlias, due to its giant size on long perfect stems and its peculiar but perfect habits of growth—giant flowers in average soil without heavy disbudding.

The color is a radiant bright red and its effect of brilliance has not been surpassed by any other flower and this includes the entire flower world. Due to the strong stems and fine texture of the flowers it will keep longer than any other dahlia we have ever tried.

ELITE GLORY'S PRIZE RECORD 1924:

Scored 92—exhibition at Am. Dah. Soc. trial grounds, Storrs, Conn., recommended for Gold Medal.

Scored 91-exhibition at N. J. Dah. Soc. Trial Grounds at New Brunswick.

First Prize for Largest Bloom in Show at New Jersey State Show, Trenton.

First Prize for Largest Bloom in Show at Monmouth County Hort. Show at Red Bank, N. J.

Received Special Cert. of Merit at Caldwell, N. J. Special Cert. of Merit at Red Bank, N. J. Special Cert. of Merit at New York (A. D. S. Show) for best Undisseminated Seedling.

ELITE GLORY was shown only twice in competition in 1925. At the New Jersey State Show at Newark it won Sweepstakes Medal for Best Dahlia of New Jersey Origin and at Monmouth County Hort. Show it received Sweepstakes Prize and Special Award of Merit for Best Bloom in Show.

Another prominent Eastern Dahlia Specialist that grew this variety last year states that Elite Glory can easily be grown to thirteen inches in diameter and looks like eighteen. If you want this variety this year you will have to act quick as there are only a few to be had anywhere and no where for less than the price that we offer it. **\$25.00** Net

ELLINOR VANDERVEER, No. 589, DECORATIVE-An incomparable dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size, having every desirable quality. The large blossoms are of a glowing, satiny, rosepink. The flowers are of great depth and substance, and are held above a tall sturdy bush on exceptionally long, stiff stems. Early bloomer. Highly recommended in the East as well as the west and we have great confidence in it for the Middle-west. Price \$7.50

ELSA VON BRAUER, No. 730, CAC-TUS-See page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.00

EMILY RUSSELL, No. 607, CACTUS -See page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

ETENDARD DE LYON, No. 608, CAC-TUS-See page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

EXPOSITION DE LISLE, No. 10, COL-LARETTE-See page 38 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

FAUNAS, No. 588, CACTUS-Yellow shading to rosy scarlet. Long pointed petals. A magnificent flower, free flowering. 3 to 4 ft. Price 50c

FLAME, No. 8, PEONY-See page 34 in 1925 catalogue. \$1.00

FRAGRANT, No. 47, PEONY-See page 34 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

FRANCIS WHITE, No. 593, CACTUS -See page 18 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 50c FRANK A. WALKER, No. 649, DEC-

ORATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 cata-Price 50c logue.

FRATERNITY, No. 650, DECORATIVE -See page 24 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

FRIGOLA, No. 70, SINGLE OR CEN-TURY-Rich purplish-red tipped white, sometimes comes solid purplish-red as do all varieties that belong to the fancy Price 20c class.

F. W. FELLOWS, No. 587, CACTUS-One of the very best Cactus varieties ever raised, with flowers of unusual size for the long narrow petaled type of which this is one of the finest representatives. In color it is a deep flame with deeper suffusion at the center; no collection of Dahlias is complete without it.

Price \$1.00

GEISHA, No. 720, PEONY-See page 34 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

GEORGE WALTERS, No. 611, HYBRID CACTUS-See page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

GEORGE WALTERS, No. 90, DECOR-ATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

GLADYS SHERWOOD, No. 586 HY-BRID CACTUS-A wonderful white. This has been grown over 10 inches in diameter composed of long curling petals of glistening white forming a flower of unusual depth, these giant flowers are held erect on strong stems and produced in wonderful profusion.

Price \$1.00

GLORIEUX, No. 652, DECORATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

GOLDEN DOAZON, No. 595, DEC-ORATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

GOLDEN EAGLE, No. 612, CACTUS-See page 18 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 75c

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY, No. 585, SHOW-A fine bold flower produced on very long stems. Flowers very large and of good substance. Color, rich old gold. 4 ft. Price \$1.00

CACTUS-See GOLDLAND, No. 18, page 18 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

DUKE No. -93. GRAND ALEXIS, SHOW-See page 36 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

GRAND EXHIBITION, No. 25, SHOW —See page 36 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 50c

HARTONG, No. 94, SHOW-See page 36 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

HELEN DERNBAUGH, No. 736, HY-BRID CACTUS-See page 18 in 1925 Price 75c catalogue.

HORTULANUS WITTE, No. 655, DEC-ORATIVE-See page 24 in 1925 cata-Price 50c logue.

INSULINDE, No. 584, DECORATIVE -Colossal flowers of a rich golden orange color. Form of flower everything that could be desired. Fine for cutting and exhibition, as it can be grown immense. One of the very finest Dahlias ever produced. Price \$1.00

ISABELLE STREET, No. 656, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 24 in 1925 catalogue. Price **\$2.00**

ISLAM PATROL, No. 583, HYBRID CACTUS—Very dark velvety scarlet tipped and flushed with gold. Wonderful long stem, especially fine keeper for exhibition purposes. Price \$3.50

JACK ROSE, No. 30, DECORATIVE-See page 29 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 35c

JANE SELBY, No. 703, DECORATIVE —See page 29 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

JEAN CHAZOT OR GAY PAREE, No. 582, HYBRID CACTUS—This variety of French introduction, is one of the best all around Dahlias. Color is golden brouze with a faint suffusion of nasturtium red. Free bloomer and unsurpassed as a cut flower. Long stiff wiry stem. This variety in bloom on our place was admired by many. Price \$1.00

JEAN KERR, No. 659, DECORATIVE ---See page 29 in 1925 catalouge. Price \$1.00

JERSEY BEAUTY, No. 750, DECOR-ATIVE—See page 29 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$5.00

JERSEY KING, No. 581, DECORA-TIVE—Very large perfect flowers of a brilliant oriental-red with carmine suffusion; long stiff stems. Early and free flowering. Price \$2.00

JERSEY MAMMOTH, No. 580, HY-BRID CACTUS—This variety was introduced last year by Mr. W. H. Waite of Rumson, N. J. and we give herewith his description:

"Truly a monster; The color is a rich golden Mahogany. This variety was introduced by me in a limited way last year, and it won first prize at many of the shows for the largest bloom. I do not have very many flowers go over twelve inches, but many blooms of this variety will reach fourteen inches"

Price \$10.00

JEWEELTJE, No. 579, MINIATURE HYBRID CACTUS (POMPON)—Light pink. In this dainty little flower we have an entirely new type of dahlia; one of the large California growers after seeing it in Europe writes, "It is one of the best noveltics in the dahlia field and about the only variety which is distinct in the recent introductions." The blooms are a clear light pink, just about the shade of Delice and will average two or two and one-half inches across. The stems are thin, but strong and wiry, and the bushes are continually covered with flowers. Because of the small size and beautiful shade of pink it can be used in many places where other dahlias may not be suitable. This variety will be in great demand for commercial growing and should be also grown in every home garden. Price **\$1.00**

JOHN WANAMAKER, No. 121, PEONY—See page 34 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

J. H. JACKSON, No. 578, CACTUS A gorgeous, velvety, blackish maroon. A really beautiful dark colored dahlia useful for any purpose; a prominent garden variety, fine for cutting and superb for exhibition. Price 50c

JUDGE ALTON B. PARKER, No. 577, DECORATIVE—A wonderful exhibition variety, very large flowers on long stiff stems. Color golden buff. One of the high class varieties that is certain to please the most critical. Price \$2.00

JUDGE MAREAN, No. 576, DECORA-TIVE—In this large dahlia there is a riot of blending color, ever changing as the flower ages. There is a glowing salmon pink, iridescent orange, yellow and pure gold, and the shades all blend most beantifully. The large fine flower stands on a long, straight, strong stem facing the garden boldly. Price **\$1.50**

KALIF, No .575, **HYBRID CACTUS** Its brilliant pure searlet color and strong stout stems make it one of the most useful dahlias both for cutting and exhibition. Price **75**c

KALISH WHITE, No. 660, DECORA-TIVE—See page 29 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

KENNETH LOMA, No. 661, DECORA-TIVE—See page 29 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

KITTY DUNLAP, No. 574, DECORA-TIVE—If this has any weak points they are not noticeable. It flowers early and continues perfect throughout the season, its blooms are of the largest size, all that can be wished for in shape and are carried on long stiff, practically leafless, stems: in color it is a much admired beantiful shade of carmine-rose with a brilliant suffusion. Price \$2.00 KLONDYKE, No. 7, CACTUS—See page 19 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.00

LADY HELEN, No. 615, CACTUS— See page 19 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

LIBELLE, No. 618, CACTUS-See page 19 in 1925 catalogue. Price 40c

L. K. PEACOCK, No. 709, DECORA-TIVE—See page 30 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

LUCY FAUCETT, No. 97, SHOW—See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

LYNDHURST, No. 663, DECORATIVE -See page 30 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

MADONNA, No. 596, DECORATIVE --See page 30 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

MARCELLA, No. 742, DECORATIVE --See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.00

MARIPOSA, No. 573, HYBRID CAC-TUS—A recent introduction which has quickly become very popular. The color is a clear shade of lavender pink intensified by the full and darker center. The flowers are large and of rather loose type made up of long ribbon-like petals which twist and curl in a most attractive manner. The stems are exceptionally long and perfect in every way. Price \$3.50

MARY QUEEN OF SCOTTS, No. 599, DECORATIVE—See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

MAUD ADAMS, No. 98, SHOW—See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

MINA BURGLE, No. 4, DECORATIVE -See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

MISSOURI BEAUTY, No. 100, SHOW —See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

MR. C. H. DRESSELHUIS, No. 572, DECORATIVE—For many years the variety Delice has been a favorite cut flower, and while beautiful it is not as free-flowering as many would like. In this new variety we have a simular color, a soft rose-pink with white suffusion towards the tips, and what is most important, one of the most prolific bloomers; of medium size just right for cutting and are splendidly supported on very long stiff stems. We predict great popularity for this variety as it is undoubtedly the best pink for cutting yet produced.

Price \$1.00

MRS. CARL SALBACH, No. 698, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

MRS. C. H. BRECK, No. 594, CAC-TUS—See page 19 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

MRS. H. M. EARL, No. 39, PEONY— See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

MRS. I. DE VER WARNER, No. 571, DECORATIVE—One of the best known of the Marean introductions and it is truly a remarkable dahlia. The flowers grow to an immense size without any great amount of disbudding, are of a perfect regular type and in the most glowing shade of mauve pink. The plants are tall, vigorous growers, and start giving flowers early in the season and continue to produce quantities of them until the end. This variety has been a success wherever grown. Price **\$1.50**

MRS. J. G. CASSATT, No. 666, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

MRS. W. E. ESTES, No. 570, HYBRID CACTUS—This still ranks among the best of the pure snow white dahlias, although new white varieties are continually being brought out and widely heralded as being superior to all others, only to be forgotten in two or three seasons. The large fluffy blooms are borne aloft on strong and erect stems, making most excellent cut flowers. This variety can be grown anywhere, even in the hottest climate as it does not burn in the sun. Price **\$1.00**

NIBELUNGENHORT, No. 624, CAC-TUS—See page 20 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

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OLESLAGER, No. 669, DECORATIVE --See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

ORANGE KING, No. 6, DECORATIVE -See page 31 in 1925 catalogue and front cover of supplement. Price 75c

OREGON BEAUTY, No. 670, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

OSAM SHUDDOW, No. 671, DECORA-TIVE—See page 31 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.50

PAPILLON, No. 569, HYBRID CAC-TUS—One of the big fellows which has been grown successfully everywhere and has been in many prize winning collections Stems, of course, are strong and long, and carry the flower well. A beautiful shade of old rose with golden lights. An incessant bloomer. Price \$3.00

PARKERS YELLOW, No. 672, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

PATRICK O'MARA, No. 704, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.00

PAUL MICHAEL, No. 673, DECORA-TIVE—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

PERLE DE LYON, No. 13, CACTUS-See page 20 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 40c

PIERROT, No. 719, CACTUS—See page 21 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

PINK CENTURY, No. 72, SINGLE OR CENTURY—A deep shade of pink with a blending of yellow at the base of the petals. Price 20c

PINK JACK ROSE, No. 674—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

PINK PEARL, No. 14, CACTUS—See page 21 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

PRIDE OF CALIFORNIA, No. 598, DECORATIVE — See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

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PRIMA DONNA, No. 713, CACTUS-See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

PRINCESS JULIANA, No. 104, Show —See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

PROFESSOR REINKE, No. 676, DEC-ORATIVE—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

QUEEN MARY, No. 21, DECORATIVE --See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

QUEEN VICTORIA, No. 16, SHOW-See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 20c

RED DAINTY, No. 80, COLLARETTE --See page 38 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

RED HUSSAR, No. 46, SHOW—See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

RHEINISCHER FROHSINN, No. 34, CACTUS—See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

ROOKWOOD, No. 568, DECORATIVE —An entirely new shade of bright rosy cerise, without the slightest tinge of magenta, greatly resembling the color of the Mrs. Charles Russell rose, and is exceptionally beautiful under artificial light. The immense flowers are of true decorative type with full centers, a good depth and held aloft on splendid straight stems. The bushes grow low and spreading and are always a mass of blooms.

Price \$4.00

ROSE MARIE FRIDOLIN, No. 746, HYBRID CACTUS—See page 21 in 1925 catalogue. This variety held its own last year in the East among the very highest class varieties at the big exhibits. Price \$10.00

SCOTISH CHIEF, No. 712, DECORA-TIVE—See page 32 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

SHEBA, No. 681, DECORATIVE-See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$2.50

SOUV. DE MILWAUKEE, No. 19, PEONY—See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c



Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, No. 3, CACTUS-See page 21 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

STORM KING, No. 105, SHOW-See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

SUSAN G. TEVIS, No. 567, DECORA-TIVE-An exceptional dahlia with a distinctive new color tone of a deep shade of lilac with a bluish sheen. A very graceful bloom of fine depth and great size held high above a vigorous plant. The stems are long and strong.

Price \$5.00

SYLVIA, No. 683, DECORATIVE—See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

THE MacGREGOR, No. 556, HYBRID CACTUS-A seedling of George Walters, of which it is an exact duplicate in size and shape. The flowers are large and full Color, Spectrum-red; an unusual color in Dahlias. The base of the petals is lemon-yellow. It is unsurpassed for garden decoration and keeps exceptionally well when cut. It is one of the first to flower and continues in good condition to the end of the season; one of the best all round reds in cultivation. Price \$2.50

TOMMY ATKINS, No. 565, DECORA-TIVE-This bright novelty is one of the best of the newer introductions. A start ling color, flaming scarlet, so full of metallic lustre that it fairly glistens in the sunshine. The large deep blossoms are held high above the bush on long stiff An early bloomer. stems. Price \$2.50

U. S. A., No. 743, CACTUS-See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$1.50

WHITE CENTURY, No. 74, SINGLE **OR CENTURY**—Large pure white. Price 20c

WHITE CAP. No. 700, PEONY-See page 35 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

WIZARD OF OZ., No. 749, DECORA-TIVE-See page 33 in 1925 catalogue. Price \$5.00

WODAN, No. 637, CACTUS-See page 22 in 1925 catalogue. Price 75c

YELLOW DUKE, No. 110 SHOW-See page 37 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

ZEPPLIN, No. 685, DECORATIVE-See page 33 in 1925 catalogue.

Price 50c

POMPONS

ADELAIDE, No. 49-See page 39 in Price 25c 1925 catalogue.

AMBER QUEEN, No. 50-See page 39 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

CAMELIA, No. 52-See page 40 in 1925 catalogue. Price 50c

CATHERINE, No. 564-Well formed primrose-yellow. Price 35c

CLARISSA, No. 563-Prettily quilled delicate rose-pink. Price 35c

GEM, No. 68-See page 41 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

GOLDIE, No. 562-A tiny flower of pure gold, fine for cutting. Price 75c

HELCA, No. 560 - Small white, free blooming. Price 50c

SUPPLEMENT to 1925 Catalog

GRETCHEN, HEINE, No. 561 - A dainty flower of rose tinted white, each petal heavily tipped crimson-carmine. Price 50c

HIGHLAND MARY, No. 559 - Pink and white. Price 25c

JEWEELTJE (HYBRID CACTUS), No. 579-See description in general list of Price \$1.00 this supplement.

JOE FETTIE, No. 558-The best and smallest white for exhibition or cutting. Price 50c

JOHNNY, No. 557-The tiniest of all, most regularly and beautifully formed, a deep dark red. Invaluable for cutting and exhibition. Price 50c

LITTLE BEAUTY, No. 556-Shrimp Price 25c Pink.

58—See LITTLE BEESWING, No. Price 50c page 41 in 1925 catalogue.

MIDGET, No. 23-See page 41 in 1925 catalogue. Price 25c

ORCHID, No. 62-See page 41 in 1925 catalogue. Price 35c

PEE WEE, No. 555-Soft yellow with a center shading to brown. Price 50c

PRINCE CHARMING, No. 554—A bright flower on long stems, base white with heavy purple edging, good every Price 50c way.

SUNBEAM, No. 553-Flaming Crimson, Price 30c

VIVID, No. 552-Bright red. Price 25c

ZOE, No. 551-Clear yellow sometimes tipped white. Price 35c

DIENER'S AMERICAN BEAUTY-

Each 75c

An extra

Each 10c

Brilliant American Beauty color. Throat

creamy yellow striped with ruby. One spike opening many flowers at one time forms an immense bouquet. Flowers very

\$7.50 per doz.

DOROTHY McKIBBEN - (Ruffled)

GLADIOLI

large.

We have been very careful to offer a very choice collection of this worthy flower. See our catalogue for instructions.

ALICE TIPLADY--See page 42 in 1925 catalogue. Each 15c \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

AMERICA-See page 42 in 1925 cata-Each 5c logue. 50c per doz. \$3.50 per 100

ANNA EBERIUS - Deep Rhodaminepurple, shading into very deep bordeaux center. This variety has created a sensation everywhere with growers and ama-Each 25c teurs alike.

\$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

BERTREX-See page 42 in 1925 catalogue. Each 10c \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

CHICAGO WHITE—See page 42 in 1925 catalogue. Each 5c 50c per doz. \$3.00 per 100

Rose-pink, shading to pale pink in throat, outer edges and reverse deep rose-pink, with deeper rose-red markings; throat of center lower petal delicately blotched rose red. Very attractive. early variety.

\$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

E. J. SHAYLOR-See page 42 in 1925 catalogue. Each 15c \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

GOLDEN MEASURE-See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 25c \$2.50 per doz. .\$20.00 per 100

HALLEY-See page 43 in 1925 cata-Each 6c logue. 60c per doz. \$4.00 per 100

Trade Discount

100 or more and not less than 25 of one variety 50% OFF

25 or more and not less than 6 of one variety $33\frac{1}{3}\%$ OFF

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HENRY FORD-Very dark rhodamine purple shading into deeper tones near the center. Color very clear like Anna Eberius, but much larger and clearer. It is a tremendous propigator, and even the smallest bulb will bring a flower spike 3 or 4 feet tall five months after planting. This variety far surpasses our famous "Anna Eberius." The foregoing is the introducers description. This was a marvel on our place last year. This variety was listed at \$200.00 each two Each \$1.00 years ago. \$10.00 per doz.

HERADA-See page 43 in 1925 cata-Each 10c logue.

\$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

JACK LONDON-Color light salmon with vermilion stripes, canary yellow throat with ruby stripes. We cannot recommend this variety too highly. Should be in Each 25c every collection.

\$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

LE MARSHALL FOCH-This might briefly be described as an improved America, having the same soft flesh-pink color, but with much larger blooms and coming into flower two weeks earlier. Of unusually strong, vigorous growth with splendid straight, well-filled spikes.

Each 10c \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

LOS ANGELES -- Color, shrimp pink tinted orange with orange tinted carmine throat. The wonder Glad of Southern California. The most beautiful Gladiolus ever produced. One Los Angeles Florist used 7500 cut blooms last June.

A NEW TYPE

The Los Angeles is the forerunner of a new everblooming class of Gladioli, as it is the only "cut and come again" Gladiolus. When the stem is cut within 2 leaves of the ground it sends up a second stem and sometimes a third. These second crop flowers are so freely produced as to double the blooming period in the garden under favorable conditions.

The introducer's price on this last year was \$5.00 per bulb. We are glad to be able to furnish this to our friends for \$1.00 per bulb. \$10.00 per doz.

MARSHALL FOCH — See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 35c \$3.50 per doz. \$25.00 per 100

MARY PICKFORD-A comparatively new variety of dainty coloring, splendid spikes with large expanded blooms of a delicate creamy white, the throat suffused with soft canary yellow. Each 25c \$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

MRS. DR. NORTON-See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 15c \$1.50 per doz. \$12.00 per 100

MRS. FRANCIS KING-See page 43 in Each 7c 1925 catalogue. 75c per doz. \$5.00 per 100

MRS. FRANK PENDLETON—See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 10c \$7.00 per 100 \$1.00 per doz.

- MYRA—See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 10c \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100
- ORANGE GLORY See page 43 in Each 20c 1925 catalogue. \$2.00 per doz. \$15.00 per 100

PEACE-See page 43 in 1925 cata Each 10c logue. \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

PINK PERFECTION-See page 43 in Esch 15c 1925 catalogue. \$1.50 per doz. \$10.00 per 100

PRINCE OF WALES-See page 43 in 1925 catalogue. Each 10c \$1.00 per doz. \$7.00 per 100

ROEM VAN KENNEMBERLAND-See page 44 in 1925 catalogue. Each 10c \$1.00 per doz. \$6.00 per 100

ROSALIA-See page 44 in 1925 cata Each 40c logue. \$4.00 per doz. \$30.00 per 100

ROSE ASH—See page 44 in 1925 cata-Each 25c logue.

ROSE GLORY-See page 44 in 1925 catalogue. Each 25c \$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

LUISANTE—Primulinus—Shell ROSE pink with cream throat. Tall grower and large, full, open flower. We predict that this variety will become very popular Each 25c when known

\$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

SCHWABEN—A meritorius variety of wonderful vigor. Strong, erect spikes and large, well-expanded flowers of a clear canary yellow, with a small blotch of deep garnet in the throat. Each 10c

85c per doz. \$6.00 per 100

SOUVENIR—See page 44 in 1925 cata logue. Each 25c

\$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

THOMAS T. KENT — See page 44 in 1925 catalogue. Each 25c

\$2.50 per doz. \$20.00 per 100

WAR—See page 44 in 1925 catalogue. Each 12c \$1.25 per doz. \$8.00 per 100

MIXED—A fine assortment of large blooming size bulbs that will give you a wide range of coloring. Doz. 40c \$3.00 per 100

MISSOURI DAHLIA FARMS SPECIAL

MIXED—This is a very fine selection including some of the high class varieties in a wide range of color. These are sure to give you the greatest satisfaction.

per doz. 85c

\$6.00 per 100

CANNAS

KING HUMBERT—See page 45 in 1925 catalogue. 20c each \$2.00 per doz.

KING MIDAS — 5 ft. A true Canna aristocrat. Very large flower of glittering gamboge-yellow. Outstanding variety coming into great popularity (New).

50c each \$5.00 per doz.

MAD. CROZY—See page 45 in 1925 catalogue. 20c each \$2.00 per doz.

MRS. PIERRE S. DU PONT-4 ft. For many years the flower loving public has been looking forward to the time when some Hybridizer would produce a real worth while pink canna. We are glad to be able to offer to our friends this masterpiece of the Hybridizer's art. A truly wonderful Canna. A brilliant watermellon pink, extremely large flower heads with beautiful ruffled petals. Firm erect stems, gigantic green foliage. One of the rankest growers we have ever seen. From a small bulb a tremendous plant was pro duced carrying several large heads of flowers at one time. At no time after the plants started blooming were they without a grand show of flowers increasing in gorgeous display as the season advanced. You will not regret having invested in this great Canna. The divisions we offer are strong 2 to 3 eye divisions

\$2.00 each \$20.00 per doz.

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ROSEA GIGANTEA--4 ft. Large flowers in great abundance; the individual petals are often 2 1-2 inches across, of a deep rich rose, almost a coral carmine.

30c each \$3.00 per doz.

STATUE OF LIBERTY—See page 45 in 1925 catalogue.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

THE AMBASSADOR—See page 46 in 1925 catalogue.

50c each \$5.00 per doz.

THE PRESIDENT—See page 46 in 1925 catalogue.

25c each \$2.50 per doz.

WINTZER'S COLOSSAL—5 ft. Without a doubt the largest flowered Canna to date, as the average flowers almost cover a mans hat. The color is a strikingly vivid scarlet that retains its brilliancy.

30c each \$2.50 per doz.

YELLOW KING HUMBERT—See page 46 in 1925 catalogue.

20c each \$2.00 per doz.

SPECIAL PRICE ON CANNAS.

One each of the above (except Mrs. Pierre S. Dupont) \$2.25 One each of the 10 varieties including Mrs. Pierre S. Dupont \$4.00

PEONIES

We have a few of these left that we can send out this Spring as long as they last. Strong 2 to 5 eye divisions.

AMERICAN BEAUTY—A good red of the American Beauty coloring, not a large flower but very free blooming, extremely late. Each 75c LADY LENORE BRAMWELL — Full rose type, clear pink, large flower, a really fine variety. Each 75c

Send for our fall list offering a large collection of the fine varieties, also a good seasonable plants.

TUBEROSE—Mexican Everblooming Single

TUBEROSEMexican ever-bloomingsingle.See page 44 in 1925 catalogue.
Each 10c75cper doz.\$6.00per 100

SHRUBBERY

We are in close contact with Local Nurserymen and can furnish large plants of shrubbery of any of the leading varieties, sent Parcel Post or Express, as is practical, prepaid for \$1.00 each. Larger quantities prices given on application.

BERBERIS THUNBERGI (Japan Barberry)

We have growing in our field about 2500 large plants of Japanese Barberry in excellent shape.

Where a dwarf deciduous hedge is wanted, nothing equals this beautiful Barberry. Requires but little pruning to keep in shape. The leaves are small, light green and towards fall assume rich, brilliant colors, the fruit or berries becoming scarlet. Absolutely hardy in all parts of the country. Plant 12 to 15 inches apart. Large specimen plants 75c each. Second size strong plants 50c. **BUDDLEA**—One of the most desirable summer flowering shurbs, beginning to bloom in July, it continues until cut by severe frost. The flowers are of a pleasing shade of violet mauve, and are borne in dense cylindrical spikes from 12 to 15 inches in length by 3 inches in diameter; it succeeds everywhere and flowers freely the first season planted.

As a rule these freeze down to the ground during the winter but this does not injure them as they grow so rapidly and bloom better on young wood. The dormant plants will have extra strong root growth. Strong 3 year old plants \$1.00

Strong 2 year old plants 75c

One year old plants that will bloom profusely the first year, delivered. **30c**

All Shrubbery Sent Collect for Transportation Charge Except in the City. Nearby in County Where We Can Deliver Personally, We Will Do So.

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CLIMBING VINES

POLYGONUM AUBERTI (SILVER LACE VINE)-A wonderful rank grower and profuse bloomer, every one visiting our place last year admired this vine. One of the most desirable flowering climbers, the plant is of strong, vigorous growth, attaining a height of 25 feet or more producing through the summer and fall great foamy sprays of white flowers, and a well established plant during its long flowering period is a mass of bloom. Not only does it thrive in the Eastern and Middle States but does equally good in Oregon, Colorado and California, adapt-ing itself to the most varied elimatic conditions. Strong plants. Each **\$1.00** HALL'S JAPAN HONEYSUCKLE— The well known climber of our Mother's garden, with very fragrant yellow and white flowers. Strong 2 year old plants.

Each 50c

CLEMATIS—We have some very large plants of a hardy Clematis with white star shaped flowers simular to Clematis Paniculata but perfectly hardy and a very rank grower. Free bloomer.

60c each; smaller plants 40c each

CLIMBING ROSES

We have a few varieties of Climbing Roses of the very best varieties, not of the small cluster type but large individual flowers.

CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY— One of the very best climbers on the market producing its large flowers of an American Beauty color, rich rosy-carmine. Can be used with good effect as a specimen plant in the yard by cutting it back to the desired height. The flowers are produced on long stems and is most desirable for cutting. Each 73c

DR. W. VAN FLEET—A Rose, which on account of its dainty color and exquisitely shaped buds and flowers, has become a great favorite. The long pointed buds are of a rich flesh-pink on stems 12 to 18 inches long; splendid for cutting. A strong vigorous grower. Each 75c

MARY WALLACE—Named by the Portland Rose Society in honor of the daughter of Secretary of Agriculture Mr. Wallace, originated at the Maryland Station of the Department of Agriculture by the late lamented Dr. W. Van Fleet.

The Department describes it as a pillar Rose, making a fine, strong, self-supporting plant 6 to 8 feet high, with large glossy foliage, blooming with great freedom in spring and bearing a considerable number of fine buds in summer and fall. Flowers very large, generally exceeding 4 inches across, well formed, semi-double, of a bright clear rose-pink with salmon base to the petals. Strong plants Each **\$1.00**

CHRISTINE WRIGHT—A most exquisite Rose, of strong climbing habit. The flowers are double, from 3 1-2 to 4 inches in diameter, borne singly and in clusters, of perfect form, beautiful in the bud and in the fully expanded flower; color a most refreshing bright wild-rose pink.

Each \$1.00

PAUL'S SCARLET—No other climbing Rose can compare with this for brilliancy of color which is maintained until the petals fall. The flowers, a vivid scarlet, are of good size, semi-double, very freely produced in clusters of from 3 to 20 flowers each on much branched canes, the plants being literally covered from top to bottom with bloom. It is of strong climbing habit and perfectly hardy. This is one of the most popular climbing Roses. The most gorgeous climber ever produced. Second size Each **75c**

SILVER MOON—Different from all other Roses, with beautiful semi-double flowers four and a half inches and over in diameter; pure white in color, petals of great substance, beautifully cupped, forming a Clematis-like flower. The large bunch of yellow stamons in the center adds to its attractiveness. Each 75c

All climbing vines and roses post paid.

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SEEDS

We grow a great many flowers for the wholesale market, especially Larkspur and Gypsophlia. Many people have asked us to sell them seed of these. We have purchased an extra quantity of these seeds that we may accomodate our customers that may be interested in these flowers. They are taken from the seed that we sow ourselves and you will find them of the highest quality.

ANNUAL LARKSPUR—General mixture of all colors. Large spikes perfectly double flowers. Liberal packages with directions for planting for **10c**.

GYPSOPHLIA, ANNUAL BABY'S BREATH—Small white flower used extensively to mix with other flowers. Liberal package for 10c. You will be pleased with these.

CELOCIA—See description on page 46 of 1925 catalogue. Liberal package for 25c.

All Seeds Post Paid.

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FERTILIZERS

We can furnish you with the following Fertilizers:



FLORANID—A very highly consentrated plant food imported from Germany. No other fertilizer that has ever been put on the market is recommended so highly as this product. A very small amount will go a long way. It will pay you to give this a trial, both for your Dahlias and other purposes.

We shall try it out this year very thoroughly but feel safe from the recomendations that we have received in offering it to our friends. A booklet will be sent with each order giving full instructions as to how to use it.

We are distributors in the Middle-west for Floranid.

1lb. cans, prepaid75c50lb. bags, expressage collect\$12.00Larger quantities on application.

BONE MEAL, 10 lbs. 65c; 25 lbs. \$1.50; 50 lbs., \$2.50 and 125 lb. sack \$5.00.

10 lbs. will be enough for about 6 plants at planting time.

PULVERIZED SHEEP MANURE—10 lbs. 50c; 25 lbs., \$1.00; 50 lbs., \$1.65; 100 lbs., \$3.00.

10 lbs. is sufficient for 6 Dahlia plants at planting time.

Either of these fertilizers are excellent for use on lawns or for the flower or vegetable garden and trees and shrubbery.

10 lb. lots of either of the above Post Paid. Larger quantities collect.



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A Field of Orange King



The above view is a portion of one of the fields of our planting of Orange King designed to give an idea of the wonderful blooming qualities of this variety. Note the long, wiry stems.

The bulbs were planted about the middle of July and no special care was given the plants other than thorough cultivation, no disbudding whatever.

This picture was taken the carly part of October, and the plants had been in full bloom quite a long time previous to this.