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POT OF GIANT TUBEROUS BEGONIAS.

A Great Begonia Offer.

A number of subscriptions to the **MAGAZINE** expire this month, and as I wish to have all renewed I make the following surprising offer: For only 50 cents sent me before September 1, 1895, I will send this **MAGAZINE** one year and a grand collection of 12 Tuberous Begonias, as follows:

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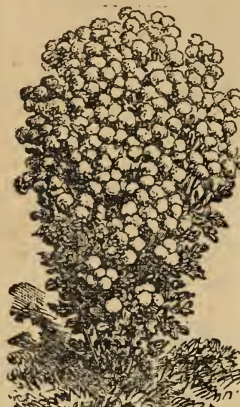
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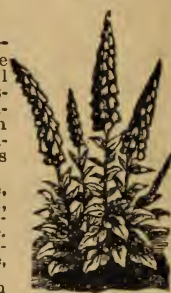
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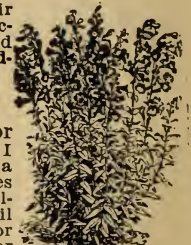
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MONEY GETTING.

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If you prefer to stick to the old paths worn by your ancestors and sleep on the feather beds from the geese of your grandmothers do not read another word. Nothing of great value is ever gained but by some sacrifice. You cannot take your whole family with you and visit large portions of the globe without a fat pocketbook; but you can go alone and start with a few dimes and

be richer every day you are absent. There are a few articles of rare merit that sell readily, and give large profits, but space is too limited to mention more than one in this letter, besides *one thing* is all that any person should handle or sell. Successful persons concentrate their powers on one idea. They do one thing, and do it better than another person can with more.

This article is Wolcott's Pain Paint. It was sold at 170 Chatham Square, New York, in the time of the War. 2 ounce bottles for \$1.00; 8 ounce for \$3.00, and pints for \$5.00. It is sold to-day in 2 ounce bottles for 25 cents, 6 ounce 50 cents, and pints \$1.00. Agents have bought and sold it for thirty years, and still there is room enough for all who have will power and energy to engage. The proprietor is to-day a hearty vigorous man at his office, 18 East 13th Street, New York City, and so well known that the hundreds of letters that are daily received require only this simple direction: "Wolcott's Pain Paint Office, New York City." He does not know his own wealth. He built last year twenty-five houses simply to invest surplus funds, all received from the sale of Pain Paint. It is sold to Agents in powder form only, of three sizes, 50 cents, which when mixed with three pints of water fills 24 two ounce bottles. The \$1.00 size of powders weighs less than one ounce, but when mixed fills 60 two ounce bottles. The \$5.00 weighs six ounces, and fills 336 of the 25 cent bottles. To preserve the Pain Paint or prevent it from freezing it is mixed with one part alcohol and two parts water. Full directions accompany every package. Three \$5.00 packages are sent by mail to any part of the world, post-paid on receipt of \$10.00, and fill when mixed 1,000 two ounce bottles that retail for \$250.00. None is sold on credit or commission. The President of the United States could not obtain it except for cash. Large profits to Agents could not be maintained except for ready money. Labels for bottles are sent in sheets to be cut apart for every package of powders sold, free of cost; also circulars, posters and showbills with \$5.00 packages, free by mail.

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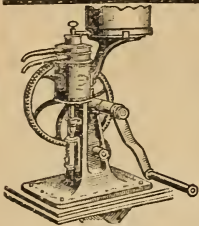
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[Do not lose these tickets.]

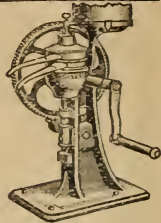
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TO THE FIRST PANSY.

Dear Pansy, with your eyes so blue,
You seem to speak of all things true;
There's naught within your tender face
That hints of sorrow or disgrace.

Ere chilly winds have ceased to blow
You peep up through the lingering snow
In robes too regal for a king,
O, lovely messenger of spring!

Though bowed my head with grief and pain
I feel that tears and sighs are vain.
If you through winter's frosts can bloom
Why should I harbor thoughts of gloom?

If robed in white or rainbow's hue
My love is just the same for you;
To choose a tint—how should I dare?
Unless it be the one you wear.

Rock Co., Wis., Mar. 14, 1895.

—Adel.

combine to make it one of the most desirable, and the plant is likely to become popular. The leaves are borne on long, strong stems, clustered thickly from the root-stems, and a small plant will soon multiply or increase until it covers a large pot with the elegant, mottled, grape-leaf foliage. It is also a wonderfully free-blooming plant, and from a large specimen dozens of the huge flower-clusters on stiff scapes reaching above the dense foliage may be seen. Altogether this Begonia is a desirable one. It may not be highly regarded at first, but it is a plant that bears acquaintance, and as it develops, its mer-



BEGONIA SPECULATA.

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THE engraving herewith given is a fair representation of the new Begonia speculata. It is odd in form, and not quite so attractive in its coloring and markings as some other Begonias of the Rex type, but its hardy character, free growth, and easy culture all

its gain for it the position and esteem which it so well deserves.

GERANIUM MME. SALLEROI.—My plant of this Geranium is on the Begonia stand, near the glass, and its leaves are as large as a silver dollar. It gets but little direct sunshine.

Mrs. Agnes Fisher.
Robertson Co., Tex., Apr. 18, 1895.

CHINESE PRIMROSE.

IF I were limited to one winter-blooming plant I should not hesitate to say "Chinese Primrose, please." Nothing can give more satisfaction to an amateur during the long dull winters than these charming plants. They are too widely known and beloved to need any description, but of late years have shared in the advancement that has come to so many old favorites—variety of bloom, larger size, double form, etc. For one, I admire the single flowers of almost all plants that are primarily single—they seem so close to the heart of nature. I am not speaking of Roses, mind you, and yet can anything be lovelier than the Wild Rose hedges you and I remember? or the clumps of Sweet-briar that grew beside the old school-house door? Was ever anything distilled half so sweet as were those dewy blossoms when life was fresh and hope so joyous! But the Primroses. It was my great good fortune to have four sent me from Libonia last fall. They reached me on one of my busy days, and I was compelled to give them a very hasty planting. Two were placed in pretty unglazed pots. These were for company ones, and the others had to be content with pint tins. They were given the same conditions, but the tinned ones soon pushed far ahead, as the porous pots did not furnish the dampness they require, nor did they ever flourish as did the others. They began to bloom in a very short time, were a source of much pleasure all winter, and are still full of blossoms, and the larks and blackbirds are chanting of sweet spring-time. They flourished in an east window where the sun just blinked in a little while to say "good morning," and the room was rather cold all the time. One was a lovely magenta, two pure white, and one a dainty blush. They kept the dinner table bright during many dreary days, and their sweet faint fragrance was a breath carried away from the early spring-time woods. One saintly white one bloomed in the chamber where a young girl lay dying. She watched its unfolding beauty until she closed her weary eyes and passed into the beyond, "the summerland of song."

Cornelia Oldham Slicer.

Newcastle Co., Del.

[NOTE.—Tin vessels for Chinese Primroses! They always produce the finest plants and richest bloom. Try them.—Ed.]

MIRABILIS.

PRETTILY called by the French "Belle of the Night"; more commonly known as "Four O'clocks" and "Pretty by Night." Pretty by Night! What visions of the past that name conjures up! Closing my eyes I can see a group of children gathering from a long bed in a garden the flowers of the Pretty by Night, flowers of every hue and tint, self-colors of yellow and purple and red and of purest white; flowers that were speckled, shaded, blotched and striped. We gathered them in great quantities, the while stringing them on long flexible stems. They were then formed into wreaths, garlands, girdles and streamers, with which we adorned each other, and then we danced and danced from sheer joy, while the beloved grandmother smiled approval. They were her flowers, and to this day the sight or scent of Pretty by Nights brings up that scene. And I, alone, am left to tell the tale. All my companions of that far off time have passed beyond. Perchance in God's Paradise even now they are gathering flowers more entrancingly beautiful than ever seen by mortal eyes. Uhlma.



MIRABILIS.

Riverside, W. Va., Mar. 14, 1895.

ABOUT ERYTHRONIUM.—Mr. Editor: You describe the Dog-tooth Violet of Pennsylvania as being golden in hue. The Dog-tooth Violets here in northern Illinois are pure white, and on the reverse of petals faintly tinted pinkish brown. They are found in great profusion in moist woods, and are called Adder's Tongue. They are very beautiful, and bloom during the latter part of April. Mrs. James D. Frayer.

Pike Co., Ill., May 19, 1895.

GLADIOLUS.—A flower that holds a place in my heart is the Gladiolus. Nothing attracts more attention each year than my large beds of this easily-grown bulb when in flower. With us they bloom till late October and on into November. Mabel H. Monsey.

Hartford, Wash., Apr. 8, 1895.

TRANSPLANTING ORIENTAL POPPIES.

MR. EDITOR:—If the lady who signs herself "Lina, McLean Co., Ill.," will separate her Oriental Poppies in early spring and make several clumps of them, she will find they will transplant as readily and increase as rapidly as any ordinary plant. At least that has been my experience for ten years. I take up a few of the outside ones, and do not disturb the whole clump. Every spring some friend wants a plant, and gets one or more, and they invariably tell me that they had blooms the same year. One thing is absolutely necessary to have good success, that is, to dig deep, say a foot, as the roots seem to travel down rather than spread out. Every year I find young plants around the main body, and I care for them and take them up the next spring, give them a good place, and they go right on and repay me well. I have four large clumps and some young ones started. The gorgeous flowers are greatly admired, and the plants are so hardy that they need no protection in western New York, but I always cover with barnyard litter as a fertilizer every fall.

Mrs. Marshall Fales.

Niagara Co., N. Y., May 14, 1895.

NOTE.—Oriental and other Perennial Poppies may be successfully started from seeds during July and August. A clump of them surrounded by Sweet Rocket makes a gorgeous bed during May and early June. Procure and sow the seeds now. You will never regret it.—Ed.]

THREE ANNUALS.—Try planting your Shirley Poppies and Mignonette in alternate rows. The effect is fine. The gorgeous colors of these lovely, and to me grandest of all Poppies, blend harmoniously with the fragrant sombre blooms of the Mignonette.

If you have young fruit trees plant Sweet Peas all about them, and run strings up to the limbs of the trees from the ground. It will soon form a mass of bloom and foliage most beautiful to see.

If I could have but three annuals they would be the above named kinds.

The Mikado, Paeony-flowered and Snowdrift Poppies bloom freely for me on the north side of the house where they get almost no sunshine, and make a pretty background for lower-growing plants.

Mabel H. Monsey.

Hartford, Wash., Apr. 8, 1895.

NATIVE FLOWERS OF MASSACHUSETTS.

WE here in the foothills of the Green Mountains. The first in bloom, generally in March, is the Hepatica, of which there are three varieties, white, blue and pink. Most lovely they are in their delicate beauty, doubly so for being the first to tell us spring has come. Early in April we have the Claytonia and Erythronium, called here Spring Beauty and Adder Tongue. The Dicentra comes next, two varieties—the queer Dutchman's Breeches, and a dwarf white Bleeding Heart. Then the Trilliums, a dark red variety and the white with a red stripe across each petal. Jack-in-the-Pulpit and the dainty Clintonia appear about the same time. In May the ground is covered with Violets, blue, yellow, white, and the large, branching, lavender-backed white ones, Rhododendrons, wild Geraniums, Solomon's Seal, Meadow Rue, and many others, beside an endless variety of Ferns, from the tiny ones whose fronds never exceed two inches in length, up to huge palm-like sprays four or five feet in height. Many of these wild beauties have bulbous roots which can easily be sent in exchange. Let us share with each other the natives of the different localities. The birthplace of the poet Bryant is here, and we daily look on the beautiful natural scenery from which he drew his inspiration.

Esther.

Cumington, Mass., June 11, 1895.

[NOTE.—The Violet above described as "the large, branching lavender-backed white one" is evidently the species known as *Viola Canadensis*. The Editor has long wanted a few of these plants, and promptly accepted the proffered exchange. This Violet likes a moist, shady place, and rich soil, and with these conditions it does not cease to grow and bloom from early spring until the frosts of autumn, at which time the plants appear as trailing vines.—Ed.]

SUCCESS WITH BEGONIAS.—I have tried for several years to grow Begonias, but have always failed until last year. I find Begonias cannot do well in the sun and wind, so last summer I put them in my parlor near a north window, where they had all the light they wanted, and last winter I kept them in a nice warm room near an east window. I think I can now grow Begonias to perfection, and will have many sorts next year.

Mrs. Agnes Fisher.

Robertson Co., Tex., Apr. 18, 1895.

"A HANDSOME WEED."

UNDER this heading in the May MAGAZINE a western correspondent, and the Editor discuss the *Daucus carota*, commonly known throughout all of our section as wild Carrot, a most obnoxious weed. In my childhood days I remember it as one of the pests that especially came under my father's ban, and its extermination was one of the urgent farm duties. To have admired it or its no less repugnant neighbor, Ox-eye Daisy, would have been sheer heresy. I do not recall that I ever examined a blossom, for the simple reason that they were not allowed to bloom. Later in life, when I became a city resident, but with a passionate longing for green pastures, and undying love for nature in the abstract and botany in particular, I found much beauty and great possibilities in the despised Carrot. It is my good fortune to live in a suburban section with many open lots round about that are still rife with primeval beauty. The surveillance of the tiller is over, and the weeds are having a reign of brief glory. How I dread to see the ground broken for improvement(?). But until the evil day comes one can revel in Buttercups, Daisies, Primroses, Silk-weeds, and scores of wild beauties to the manor born. To come back to the Carrot, nothing exceeds the exquisite daintiness of those filmy umbels, and acres of them swaying on slender stems, nodding to each passing breeze, is a vision of loveliness to be remembered. The majority of the flowers are milk-white, but some are tinged with lavender and pale chocolate, and the unopened umbels are quaintly rolled into feathery globes. As for the single florets their name is legion and their extreme delicacy is worth a study. No flower is more deserving of fame in bouquet-making than these most humble Carrot blooms. The long, wiry stems while firm make compact masses or bend to suit any need, and the fairy-like umbels support such blossoms as droop in modest mein. As for the finishing touches just try a border of this wonderful "lace paper" from the looms of our common mother, and add some peppermint from the brookside if you can, and your bouquet will do to offer a queen. In making floral work where much white is needed, I often use three-fourths of Carrot blossoms, but their great abundance may account for the prodigality somewhat. With care

I really think that they are worth cultivating. I found some plants were much finer when left under cultivation in the garden, and the single plants stately and striking. I should not offer any to the wives and daughters of the farm, however, as in the years to come one might come under the anathemas of paterfamilias.

Cornelia Oldham Slicer.
Newcastle Co., Del.

CALYSTEGIA PUBESCENS.

I RATHER like *Calystegia pubescens*, and would not like to do without it. I never have any trouble with it spreading, for it can be kept within bounds, but it takes a little time and patience. When a child I remember a visit I made to my grandmother. Now, one of her chief delights was to have all kinds of old-fashioned flowers, and I thought she had the prettiest flower garden that could be found. Some friend in California had sent her some plants of this *Calystegia*, and told her they were called California Roses or Running Vine. So she had a frame work put up over the south door so it would be a kind of porch, and she had planted her California Roses on each side of it. They were just beautiful, for the vines had climbed to the top from each side, and were so thick that they made a splendid shade, and the double pink blossoms were almost as plentiful as the leaves. Altogether it was one of the prettiest, cheapest and most comfortable places to sit during the hot weather that one could imagine or desire. As the plants come up every year themselves after they once get started it is no trouble to keep them unless they get frozen out during the severe winter weather, and one can guard against that by covering them with something to protect them through the winter.

Lucy J. Lundy.

Brookfield, Mo., June 14, 1895.

[NOTE.—In a bed surrounded by a strong grass sod this vine will not become troublesome; but beware of giving it a foothold in the garden or in cultivated ground. It is, indeed a handsome and useful vine for either foliage or flowers, if kept in place, and many persons who have it prize it highly.—Ed.]

CLIANTHUS.—I have just set out some sturdy little plants of *Clianthus Dampieri*. These seeds germinated well for me this year. I soaked them in tepid water for 12 hours.

J. A.
Bradford Co., Pa., May 27, 1895.

WILD VIOLETS.

I HAVE been trying to get a plant of all the wild Violets, and have in my garden now White, Purple, Yellow and Blue. There is also another kind which I call Birdsfoot. It grows in the fields and resembles a small Pansy. The yellow Violet has runners like



those of the sweet Violets, but they do not bloom as soon as the purple and blue ones. I planted all the different varieties in my wild flower garden. I have a large bed of them which gives me great pleasure. In the sketch I have endeavored to give an idea of the flowers and foliage of the Birdsfoot, Yellow and White Violets.

Miss L. O. S.
Montgomery Co., Md., May 8, 1895.

TWO GERANIUMS.—If the Sisters want Geraniums that will bloom and give satisfaction let them try Bruanti, which bears single bright scarlet flowers with white eye, large, velvety and rich. To my notion the grandest of all Geraniums, however, is White Swan. Why, it never cares whether the sun shines or not, but blooms from early fall till now, and is still blooming, bearing lovely double white flowers, much admired by everyone who comes in.

Mabel H. Monsey.
Hartford, Wash., May 11, 1895.

ACACIA LOPHANTHA.—Sisters, try Acacia lophantha or Tree Fern. The plants start readily from seeds and are easily cared for. They are certainly beautiful. I have one now over a year old in bloom. It is about two feet high. The flowers are simply beautiful—the most delicate green imaginable, almost a yellow, and like little paint brushes or tassels. It stands on a bureau in my bed room, reflecting itself in the glass.

Mabel H. Monsey.
Hartford, Wash., May 11, 1895.

REAL FLOWERS

LAST winter it was nothing but paper flowers. Every young girl, even in a driving snowstorm, had a bunch of Violets fastened to her muff or under her chin. The curtains were caught up with glaring Tulips. They were on backs of chairs, on lampshades, and in vases on the mantel. And most disgusting of all, I have seen paper flowers pinned on to the real plants so as to make a show, though every leaf seemed to hang its head with shame at the falseness imposed upon them. "But," said one girl, "its a bother to raise plants, and some of us can't do it, anyway. Besides, you have to dabble in dirt and water, and in the summer get tanned and freckled and have a backache and wear your old clothes; whereas, with these lovely papers that are so clean and bewitching to work with you can sit by the fire with your best dress on, and be comfortable and genteel as well." Girls! Stop making those paper abominations, and make your plants grow. There is more triumph in getting ahead of the bugs and the bother and wearing a flower you have coaxed into bloom than carrying a bouquet as big as a cart wheel that you have made from paper, in your best dress, sitting by the fire.

Detroit, Mich., May 29, 1895.

[NOTE.—As well might the rosy glow of the cheek which comes from garden exercise be imitated at the fireside, dressed in silks, by the use of cosmetics. Oh, the charm, the admiration produced by manipulating a bit of paper, or a packet of powder and a pot of paint! It's cheap and effective!—Ed.]

A-WINTERGREENING.—Did any of the FLORAL readers never go a-winter-greening? To such childhood has surely been minus one of its sweetest charms. You who have never been on an excursion of the kind take a day and go, then see if you can find words to express all the enjoyment of that feast of delicious dainties spread on Mother Nature's bounteous board, or of the charms of her sylvan shades.

Mrs. L. Putnam.
Crawford Co., Pa., May 15, 1895.

CLEOME PUNGENS.—I do not want to raise this plant again. It has too much "pungens" altogether. What is it good for anyway! It may do for a green background, but I would prefer something else.

Mrs. C.
Washtenaw Co., Mich.

PENTSTEMION GRANDIFLORUS.

THE INDIAN TURNIP.

MR. EDITOR:—Enclosed find a blossom and branch of what is commonly called Blue Bells here. The class in our grammar school analyzed it, and determined its botanical name as *Pentstemon grandiflorus*. It grows on the bluff along the Missouri river, and there is scarcely anything but limestone rock. There are a few white-flowered plants, but most of them produce blue flowers. I think they will transplant readily. Some plants which my husband dug up with his pocket knife I planted in the garden after removing the blossoms, and they did not even wilt, although it is very dry here now.



PENTSTEMION GRANDIFLORUS.

Mrs. R. E. W.

Glenwood, Iowa., May 20, 1895.

[NOTE.—The sketch shows the branch (fig. 1) reduced about one-half, and the flower (fig. 2) natural size. Figure 3 shows a stamen. There are four of these stamens with anthers (a) as shown, two being attached to the narrow tube, and two at the base. There is also a filament of another stamen, but it does not bear a perfect anther. This is, however, a characteristic of the order Scrophulariaceæ, to which the plant belongs, and especially of this genus. Plants of *P. grandiflorus* grow from two to three feet high, bearing roundish, ovate, smooth, light green, clasping leaves, as shown in the sketch. The flowers are short-stemmed, and borne at the axils of the leaves.—Ed.]

WINTER-BLOOMING PLANTS.— I want to tell you what flowers bloomed well in my bay window the past winter: Two *Abutilons*, *Eclipse* and *Thompsoni plena*; several *Geraniums*, including *Gen. Sheridan*, a single red of a warm, pleasing color; *Angel's Wing* and *Marguerite Begonias*, *Mesembryanthemum*, *Ten Weeks' Stock*, *Calla Lily* and *Hyacinths*.

M. H. M.

Snohomish Co., Wash., Apr. 2, 1895.

ARISÆMA TRIPHYLLUM, or, as it is popularly known, Jack-in-the-Pulpit or Indian Turnip, is a very singular and interesting native perennial plant belonging to the Natural Order Araceæ. It can be found in many places throughout the United States, growing in the greatest luxuriance in rich shaded grounds, where its broad, trifoliate, dark green leaves and peculiar shaped flowers attract considerable attention during the month of May, which is its period of bloom. Not less singular is its fruit, which ripens in August and September. This consists of a cluster of berries formed at the base of the spadix, and which are of an orange red or scarlet when mature. The plant, which grows from twelve to sixteen inches high, has a tuberous rhizome. The leaves, which are borne in pairs, are ternately divided and from six to eight inches in length. The flowers are produced on scapes from six to twelve inches in height, the spathe being from three to five inches in length and much hooded at the summit. It is variegated with dark purple and white, and the spadix is much shorter than the spathe. The turnip-shaped subterranean stem is very acrid in its fresh state, but that quality is dissipated in a great measure by boiling or drying. This tuber or stem is quite a popular medicine in many places for colds, coughs, etc., when freshly dug and boiled in milk. In many places where this plant is unknown it will be found a great curiosity, as well as a very desirable addition to the mixed flower border, as the size of both foliage and flowers is greatly increased by cultivation. It will do best when given a very deep, well-enriched soil and a partially shaded situation, and occasional applications of good stable manure. As the plant is offered at reasonable prices by most dealers in hardy perennial plants I hope that in a few years it will be found in all flower borders where hardy perennial plants are grown.

Chas. E. Parnell.

Floral Park, N. Y.

FOUNTAIN SYRINGE.—I have a large fountain syringe which holds three quarts of water. It has a sprinkler attachment. I find it very valuable in watering my plants. Mrs. H. R. B.

Brown Co., Neb., June 8, 1895.

MOSS BASKETS.

WE have so many varieties of beautiful wood moss here! Every tree and log is covered. There are several different shades of green, from a pale pea green to a brown green. I buy or make a basket of wire, then I line it with the different shades and kinds of mosses, fill with good soil and plant some favorite basket plant therein, and I have a thing of beauty. When the plant needs water I immerse the whole basket in a bucket or tub of clean water, and this freshens up the moss as well as the vines. For winter baskets I leave out the soil and fill with pressed Ferns (of which we have a fine variety in these mountains), everlasting flowers and grasses, and I have a lovely basket of flowers that Jack Frost cannot harm. We have beautiful native everlasting flowers here. They are pure white and borne in clusters, each little blossom being as double as a Rose. We have one kind of dark green moss that grows quite long and looks like a vine. If this is placed around the edge of the basket it adds very much to the beauty. A lady friend makes her basket for everlastings of card-board, sewing or gluing the moss to the outside, and they are just as pretty. Jessie Lynch.

Blaine, Ore.

MY FLOWER PIT.—When we had our cellar enlarged last spring to contain our furnace we had a space dug out from the side of the house, and in connection with the cellar on the south. It is like a bay window in the cellar, if you can imagine such a thing. It is four feet by six, and is covered with a greenhouse sash, with double window panes. The little room is fitted up with shelves for the plants, and it is a perfect treasure. Everything grows so fast, and comes in bloom so soon. It is easily kept moist, and that keeps down the plant pests.

Mrs. H. R. Bell.

Brown Co., Neb., June 8, 1895.

WHY NARCISSUS BUDS BLIGHT.—The reason buds of *Narcissus Poeticus* so often blight I have thought was from want of water, but that is not so. The bulbs are hardy, but should be transplanted every two years to insure blooming. They increase very fast, and if not separated often, they bud but blight.

R. F. F.

Middlesex Co., Mass., May 27, 1895.

FREESIAS.

FOUR years ago I bought one dozen bulbs of *Freesias*. I potted six of them in a five-inch pot and set them in the dining room window. The window is south. The other six I planted in the ground. Those in the window soon came up. I gave them plenty of water and they all bloomed. Those outdoors bloomed later, but were as large and fine as those inside. I find they need a great deal of water and sun. I never let the soil get dry. During the blooming period I water two or three times a day. I use occasionally manure water or a few drops of ammonia in a watering pot of water. I bloom them in the house, in the greenhouse, and in the yard. Mine commenced to bloom at Christmas, and some are in bloom now, and those in the yard are just commencing to bloom. I think there is no bulb of recent introduction that can begin to compare with *Freesias*. Their delicate fragrance is delightful and pleasing to every one. I think with plenty of water, sun and sand any person will succeed with them.



Freesia Bulb.

Marie G. Walker.

Oakland, Cal., Mar. 22, 1895.

PERENNIALS.—I have a dozen Canterbury Bells, including two Peach-leaved in bud. *Digitalis monstrosus* wintered on the north side of the house. Many rare and choice *Aquilegias* are budding on the north side of the house. The bed is edged with Double Daisies sown last August and transplanted this spring. A clump of *Silene orientalis* is growing nicely. All these were raised from seeds sown last year.

J. A.

Bradford Co., Pa., May 21, 1895.

FORCING THE LILAC.—Lift a blooming size bush of Lilac in December, and pot it in a compost of three parts garden loam, and one part well-decayed manure. Press the soil firmly, and keep moist, and in less than six weeks you may gather the blooms. The Persian varieties are very fine, being more light and airy-looking than the older sorts, and these, if grown to a single standard are lovely.

Litchfield Co., Ct.

Mrs. W.

HOW TO GROW PANSIES IN CANADA.

I GROW a great many Pansies, and I always get the first prize on Pansies at our fairs. I have no trouble in growing them here in cold Canada, away up on the north side of Pinnacle mountain. For early blooming I sow the seeds in a box in the window where they will get the full sunlight. If they are sown in March they will be good plants to transplant by the first of May. For late blooming I sow the seeds the first of June in the open ground. The plants grow very fast, and will bloom by the first of August. I sow seed early in September to winter in the open ground. They make fine plants for the next spring. Plants that have bloomed early in the spring should have all the old stems cut off two inches from the ground, and some rich soil put around them and kept well wet, and they will bloom again in the fall. Do not cover them in the winter with anything but evergreen boughs. If you cannot get the boughs do not cover them with any other stuff, for it will smother the plants. I have seen them when I did not cover them with flowers blooming when the snow went off. I do not cover them until the ground is frozen hard. It is not the freezing that injures them. It is the hot sun in the early spring. The flowers should be removed as soon as they commence to fade. If seed-pods are allowed to form the flowers will grow small and the plants will soon die out. When I see a good bed of Pansies my mind goes back to childhood's days and mother's garden, for the Pansies were her favorite flowers.

I sometimes have beautiful fancies,
When the path of life is trod,
Of finding the souls of my Pansies
A-bloom in the gardens of God.

Mrs. J. W. F.

Frelighsburg, Quebec, Can.

IN FAVOR OF ASPEDISTRA.—Do the readers of the MAGAZINE know what a satisfactory house plant the Aspedistra is? It is a fine foliage plant, requires no sun and but little care and stands heat, cold, dust and gas. Once in your possession you have it for a life-time. It doesn't want coaxing to grow, and is just the plant for those who have not much time to devote to plants, but must have a few.

Mrs. E. L. M.

Brooklyn, N. Y., May 31, 1895.

LITTLE FIXINGS.

A GOOD garden depends on having just what you want at hand. Vines well cared for are beautiful if you have nothing else. Save your old kid gloves, cut them in strips, and keep in a basket with hammer and tacks. Place the bit of kid around the stem and use one tack to fasten. Plenty of baskets is a garden luxury. When you go just for a walk take one with trowel and you will be sure to find a weed or two or a dead stalk or some piece of rubbish to put in. Another basket to hold very fine soil to tuck around the slips. Still another for cut flowers. Always have a pair of scissors handy, and be sure to put them in the right place. Many a good pair have been ruined by being left out. Thrifty plants depend more on attention to little things, than as if you worked over them all one day and forgot them for a week.

Detroit, Mich. Sister Gracious.

AN EXQUISITE BOUQUET.—I have upon my table what I think is the most exquisite bouquet I ever saw. It is composed of LaFrance Roses, pure white Roses and Plumbago. The fairy-like delicacy of the combination must be seen to be appreciated. The arrangement of bouquets is very much enhanced by using the fewest tints or colors, and using the longest stems possible. One lady said to me "But Nature uses all colors." Yes, but that is in Nature's place, out of doors, where we have all of Nature's background. For the house I think one will find better satisfaction in harmonizing with surroundings.

Mrs. L. L. Richardson.

Alameda Co., Cal., May 18, 1895.

DO YOU LOVE FLOWERS?—Some people like flowers and some love them, and there is a vast difference between the two. Those who like flowers pick what others care for and cultivate, and if they have a few of their own they water them sometimes when it is convenient; when not, the plants suffer. I don't like to see a plant suffer any more than an animal. It may not be wicked to neglect plants, but they are my first care in the morning, and in cold winter weather the last at night. Work in caring for flowers is not work, but pleasure to the true lover of flowers.

Mrs. R. F. F.

Marlboro, Mass., May 27, 1895.

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 —THE PUBLISHER.

PLANTS RECEIVED BY MAIL.—A subscriber in California received her premium plants in good condition, and she placed them in tepid water over night, then potted them and set them in a cool, light room. Soon they began to droop and die, and she wants to know why they did not live and grow. It is possible the bath was too long. It should not have been more than half an hour, and perhaps not that if the plants were not much wilted. The chief trouble, however, was doubtless due to the change from the week's confinement in a mailing box to the open air. This might have been remedied by placing the potted plants for a few hours inside a cold frame, or a box covered with glass, and affording ventilation gradually until the plants became hardened. When plants arrive in good condition, without being dry or wilted, it is doubtful whether the bath usually recommended is beneficial. But to gradually harden the plants as suggested cannot fail to be advantageous where the plants have been long confined.

HARDY BULBS.—Bulbs of Hyacinths, Tulips and Narcissus should not be taken out of the ground after blooming, as some florists advise. The air is often injurious to them, and sometimes replanting is too long delayed. Never disturb the bulbs unless you wish to set them in a new bed.

"INDIAN HEMP."

THE following enquiry, together with the blooming branch represented in the sketch, reached the Editor about the middle of June:

Mr. Park:—Kindly name the enclosed. It grows quite freely in our orchard, and looks very pretty. Mrs. K.
 West Hebron, N. Y., June 7, 1895.

A casual examination revealed the fact that the plant belonged to the order Apocynaceæ, and upon reference



FIGURE 1.

to that order it was found to answer the description of the genus, named by Tournefort, *Apocynum*, as follows:

"Corolla (a) bell-form with short lobes."

These lobes are shown at *b, b, b, b, b*, figure 2, where the corolla is cut and spread open.

"Stamens included."

The stamens are shown at *c, c, c, c, c*, figure 2, and, as indicated, are included within the corolla.

"Stamens alternate with five glandular teeth on the base of the corolla."

These teeth are shown at *d, d, d, d, d*, figure 2. They are readily seen with

the microscope, as they have a reddish margin.

"Ovaries two, stigma connate, follicles slender, distinct, seeds comous. Perennial. Leaves entire (not indented), macronate (tipped with a sharp point, as at *f*). Flowers pale, in cymes (e), blooming from June till August."



FIGURE 2.

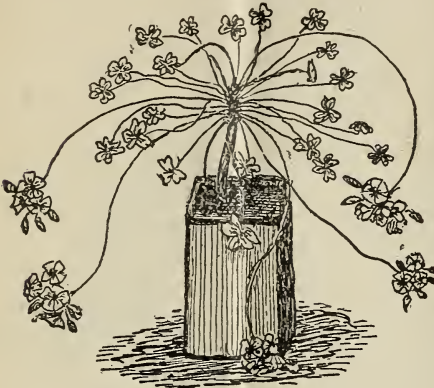
The specific characteristics indicate the species *Androsæmifolia*, which has pink-striped spreading lobes, the plant growing from two to three feet, and branching. The plant is therefore *Apocynum androsæmifolium*, sometimes known as Indian Hemp, and sometimes Dogbane.

PANSIES.—Sow these in a box in the house in April if you wish blooming plants in June.

THE BUTTERCUP OXALIS.

A LETTER about Oxalis, together with a handsome photograph of a plant, were received by the Editor recently. The letter read as follows:

Mr. Park:—Last fall a lady friend gave me four Oxalis bulbs sent her by a lady in California. Not knowing anything of their nature I planted them in a five-inch pot, and awaited developments. The manner of growth was somewhat different from any I had ever seen, although the foliage and blossoms were almost identical with the Buttercup Oxalis, so much advertised last fall. I



THE BUTTERCUP OXALIS.

was at a loss to know its name, but in looking over an old file of PARK'S MAGAZINE this spring, I came across an article descriptive of the Oxalis pendula, and concluded if that was not its classification it should be. I enclose a photograph of same, with request that you name it. I think it better adapted to a basket than pot culture.

A. Wallace Warner.

Onondaga Co., N. Y., June 8, 1895.

The plant is evidently of Oxalis cernua, the species known as Buttercup Oxalis. Space forbids the use of an engraving made directly from the photograph, but the pen sketch adapted from it will give the reader an idea of the habit of the plant. This species of Oxalis is popular in some sections, is hardy, and propagates readily. As will be seen it is of a drooping nature, and well adapted for baskets or vases.

GERANIUMS FOR WINTER-BLOOMING.—For winter-blooming start your Geraniums from slips in June, July or August. If started later they do not become well enough established to produce flowers in winter. Only a few varieties can be depended upon for winter-blooming. The best variety, probably, is Mrs. E. G. Hill, which has great clusters of large single salmon-colored flowers.

BEGONIA ARGENTEA GUTTATA.

THIS Begonia, in summer should be placed near the glass in a window facing north, and in winter in a window facing east. It likes a warm, rather moist temperature, and will not bear extremes of cold and heat. A plant that becomes chilled rarely does well afterwards. It loses its top by joints often till the entire top is gone. Pot in well-drained, porous soil, and water freely while growing, but more sparingly while growth is inactive. This is one of the handsomest of the flowering and foliage Begonias, but is rather more tender and difficult to grow than other Begonias of its class.

HAVE THEY SOULS?—Those true lovers of Nature, the Misses Boyce, of Vermont, whose exquisite poems are so popular with the readers of the MAGAZINE, in a note to the Editor inadvertently touch upon the subject "Have They Souls," as follows:

"Do you know, flowers seem almost human to us; they seem that part of humanity which is refined and purified from the dross of animal make-up, and sometimes we almost wonder 'Can they understand?' Then we conclude it is the Great Power moving within them, where rests the intelligence, while they are one of the various mantles through which He speaks to the world."

SLUGS AND SNAILS.—These mostly appear at night, and often do much damage to garden stuff. They are much alike, except that the snails have a shell which affords them protection in cold or dry weather. Liming the soil, or applying an ammoniacal solution is said to be a good remedy. They may also be eradicated by hand-picking with a lantern at night, also by trapping under cabbage leaves, or slices of turnip.

GERANIUMS.—Pot-grown Geraniums that are not doing well should be repotted in fresh, rich soil. Press the earth firmly in repotting, and cut back any long naked branches that may give the plants an unsightly aspect. If kept too long in the same soil the bloom becomes meagre, and what flowers do appear are not well developed.

PRUNING PRAIRIE ROSES.—Branches that have borne a profusion of bloom should be cut entirely away as soon as the flowers fade. This will strengthen the young, vigorous shoots that will bear next year. This is mostly all the pruning Prairie Roses require till after they bloom again.

SOLANUM GRANDIFLORUM.

THE HARDY PERENNIALS.

THE following note with the accompanying specimen were recently received by the Editor:

Mr. Park:—I send you some leaves and blossoms of a vine I have. It is about twelve feet high. The green leaved wind around a nail, or anything they touch, and serve as a support. Please tell me the common name. Is it hardy, and does it bear seeds? Mine does not.

Lane Co., Ore.

Mrs. Lucy Butts.

The blooming spray received is crudely represented in the accompany-



ing sketch. The flowers are similar to those of the Potato in form and size, but are a pure white with yellow centre. The plant is well known in catalogues as *Solanum grandiflorum*. One of the leaves enclosed had a kinked stem (*b*, fig. 2), showing how it encircled objects which came within its grasp. A curious variation in the leaves is also noticeable, some having an entire margin, while others are lobed. At *a*, figure 1, the leaf has a single sinus. At *c*, figure 2, the leaf has two sinuses, and is composed of three lobes. The plant is hardy in the South, where it doubtless bears seeds. It is an attractive and free-blooming house plant at the north, easily grown and generally satisfactory.



THE hardy perennials may still be sown to raise plants for next season's bloom, and if you have not already procured seeds and sown them do not fail to attend to it this month or at least early in August. Perennials bloom at a time when other flowers are scarce, and are so rare, showy and beautiful, and so easily grown and cared for that it seems surprising that they are not generally cultivated.

They have been called the "poor man's flowers" because when once started they live and bloom for years, even under much neglect. A few cents expended now for perennial seeds will afford more choice bloom and more pleasure than dollars expended in annuals in the spring. Do not then neglect to start a bed of perennials this month. The plants in bloom will be a revelation to those who have been cultivating only annuals, and those who heed these remarks and procure and sow the seeds now will feel grateful that their attention was seasonably called to this desirable and beautiful class of hardy flowers.

PLANTS FOR A CHURCH.—Probably the most enduring plants for continuous church decoration are Palms, particularly specimens of *Latania borbonica* and *Washingtonia*. They may be raised from seeds, but time is required to produce fine, large, decorative plants, and it would be better, generally, to buy grown specimens from the florist. These plants will do well in a

moderately lighted room. Care should be taken in watering, however, to keep the plants in a healthy condition. They should be watered sparingly in winter, and more freely in summer, the pots being kept clean both inside and outside, and the drainage free and open. Sponge the foliage occasionally, and shift into pots a size or two larger as the roots become cramped for room. Use good fibrous loam, with some sand and woods' soil intermixed.

OLD-FASHIONED CHAMOMILE.—This plant is offered in seed catalogues under the name of *Anthemis nobilis*, and retails at five cents per packet.

Foreign Correspondence.

Mr. Park:—The Tuberous Begonias were sprouting when I got them, so I potted them at once, and they grew for about two months, then the winter turned them yellow and they died down. I have taken up the tubers and have put them away in the dark. I will pot them again in about a month, when the spring fairly sets in, and will watch results. If successful I will let you know, as it will prove that it is possible to overcome the change of seasons—rather a hard thing to do with some of the bulbs. When they reach here they are shooting for spring, and require to be planted, whereas instead of spring we are having the cold and wet of autumn, and winter rots them in the ground, though there is no frost here at Hokianga, where I live. This, as an agricultural settlement, is perfectly new. People are now only taking up land and clearing the bush (woods) for settlement. I have recently organized an association which is called the Hokianga Floral Association, consisting of at present about sixty members, and new ones are joining every day. The seeds I got of you give satisfaction. Your seeds are generally liked by all who have tried them here. The French Wind-flowers unfortunately rotted in the ground. I am afraid it was too wet for them.

Thos. L. Millar.

Hokianga, N. Z., Sep. 5, 1896.

Mr. Park:—Owing to a long illness and subsequent absence from home, I have been unable to tell you what pleasure all you sent me in 1893 has given. Your seeds are surprisingly good and cheap, and your careful directions are well calculated to entice and encourage a beginner. Your interesting MAGAZINE would be of still more use to me if our climates were more alike; but, as it is, I constantly refer to it for information. I wish to subscribe again, and so enclose my subscription. Please inform me, if possible, where I may get seeds, if any, of Mexican Primrose and Water Hyacinth.

M. Robertson.

Labasa, Figii, Feb. 16, 1895.

[NOTE.—This letter reached the Editor on the 21st of May, more than three months after it was written. It is a pleasure to hear from our floral brothers and sisters in far off lands, and we only regret that they do not give us more information about their homes and the native flowers.

Seeds of Mexican Primrose may be obtained of persons living in far western Texas. Mrs. Nichols, the Cactus specialist of Laredo, Texas, informed the Editor that it grows and seeds freely near that place, and is a great nuisance to the farmers. The Water Hyacinth may bear seeds in Florida and Southern California. In the northern States it does not produce seeds.—Ed.]

CHILDREN'S CORNER.

Mr. Park:—I enclose a subscription for Miss Della Davidson, 87 Linden Avenue, Central Park, Buffalo, New York. This little lady is but 11 years of age, and treasurer of a society of little girls who style themselves "Busy Bees." Their mission is to cultivate a charitable spirit, and obtain in a social way an idea of how to conduct affairs incidental to church work. There are 12 of them, ranging from 5 to 11 years of age. Just now they are making and selling fancy articles with a view to purchasing an organ for their church. Perhaps the raising of flowers might open a financial avenue.

W. H. Wright, Jr.

Buffalo, N. Y., Apr. 12, 1895.

[NOTE.—The Editor has known much interest aroused in Sabbath School work by the distribution of seeds at Easter, and later holding a Floral Fair and Festival, where prizes were offered to successful competitors. To such a Fair a small admission fee can be charged, and buttonhole bouquets, hand bouquets, plants, and some refreshments can be disposed of with financial benefit, as well as mutual enjoyment.—Ed.]

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Green Petunia.—Mr. Park: Why should the flowers on a double white Petunia be green? The plant is two years old, and was kept in the cellar this winter and last, and planted out in summer, but it never had green flowers before.

Flora Douglas.

Montgomery Co., Iowa, June 8, 1895.

Ans.—Flowers are simply transformed leaves, and it is not uncommon to find them with the color of leaves. As a rule this is caused from lack of some essential condition of culture.

Mr. Park:—Among the mixed seeds for the Wild Flower Garden was one large black one shaped like a bean. The leaves of the little plant look somewhat like those of the Sensitive Plant (Mimosa). Can you tell me what it is? I am quite interested in it.



SEED of ACACIA.

Waterbury, Vt.

C. L. Holton.

Ans.—It is doubtless *Acacia lophantha*, a seed of which is represented in the little engraving.

Tiger Lilies from Seeds.—I have great clumps of Tiger Lilies grown from seeds. Do any of the others bear seeds? I never see any advertised in the catalogues.—Mrs. K., Mo.

Ans.—All Lilies bear seeds where the conditions are favorable. The Tiger Lily bears bulblets at the axils of the leaves, from which young plants are readily propagated. The enquirer may have reference to them.

GOSSIP.

Mixed Seeds.—Mr. Park: Last spring I sowed a package of mixed seeds and raised many fine plants. This spring the same bed has more than fifty different kinds of plants from seeds which failed to come up last spring.

Mrs. Agnes Fisher.

Robertson Co., Tex., Apr. 18, 1895.

My Chinese Primroses.—Dear Sisters: I wish you all could have seen my Chinese Primroses from the first of December till the first of May. They were lovely, lovely! I had eighteen jars full, and there were but two alike. I had three different shaped leaves.

Mrs. E. J.

Coeymans, N. Y., May 22, 1895.

Dear Band:—Don't be imposed on by ignorant postmasters in paying exorbitant rates of postage on packages of plants. I felt truly grieved the other day on receiving a box of fine bulbs in exchange to see that the sender had paid 36 cents postage when only nine were required. One cent for two ounces is all that is necessary.

Esther.

Cummington, Mass., June 13, 1895.

THEY ENJOY THE MAGAZINE.

Mr. Park:—We like your Floral Magazine very much, and I often hear it spoken highly of. It is often a great help to us and neighbors.

Mrs. M. Fales.

Niagara Co., N. Y., May 14, 1895.

Mr. Park:—The Magazine and premium were received on Saturday. The Magazine is a welcome visitor to a home where people love flowers. The bulbs were the finest I ever received.

Mrs. E. Koller.

Berks Co., Pa., Mar 25, 1895.

Mr. Park:—I have been a reader of your Magazine for several years and have gained much useful knowledge from its pages. All the fault that I can find with it is that it does not come often enough.

Mrs. May Keefe.

Caldwell Co., Mo., May 12, 1895.

QUESTION.

Orchid.—I have an Orchid called "Velled Nun" growing in a box of moss and woods earth. The plant increases, but does not bloom. How shall I treat it?—Sol Jones, Tenn.

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Mrs. M. A. Eldridge, Lakewood, R. I., will ex. novels for roots of hardy plants; ex. lists.

Miss May A. Crew, Mallory, Va., will ex. fine plants for anything not in her collection.

Miss Hattie B. Gresham, Mantapike, Va., will ex. flower seed for works by any American authoress; write first.

Mrs. Geo. Wilson, Burton, Ohio, has Lemon Lilies and Cactus to ex. for house plants and other Cactuses.

Miss Ada Gillespie, York, Pa., has plants and useful articles to ex. for other plants and Grey's Botany.

Mrs. J. E. Howell, Lax, Ga., has 60 squares for a crocheted bedspread to ex. for Lilacs or Chrysanthemums.

Mrs. A. A. Archer, Labadieville, La., will ex. fine Begonias for ornamental-leaved plants.

Mrs. S. H. Streeter, Cummington, Mass., has dbl. Narcissus, Erythronium and Lilium Canadense for L. tenuifolium or Tulips.

Mrs. Marietta Brown, Box 27, Savoy, Mass., will ex. fine flower seeds, bulbs and plants for silk, satin and plush pieces.

Mrs. Mary Keefe, Bruymer, Mo., has Amaryllis equestris to exchange for other Amaryllis, except Johnsonii.

Miss D. Janssen, 1119 Sherman St., Milwaukee, Wis., will ex. crazy patches or samples of crocheted lace for bulbs; write first.

DEATH OF AN ESTEEMED FLORAL SISTER.—

Many hearts are made sad by the death, on March 23rd, of Adella C. Flrman, of Muskegon, Mich., whose portrait was published some months ago. She was an ardent admirer and cultivator of flowers, and had a host of friends. Her grave may be adorned by the flowers she loved, but they cannot console the hearts of those who have lost in her a true, faithful and loving friend.

You Don't Have to Swear!

says the St. Louis "Journal of Agriculture" in an editorial about No-To-Bac, the famous tobacco habit cure. "We know of many cases cured by No-To-Bac, one, a prominent St. Louis architect, smoked and chewed for twenty years; two boxes cured him so that even the smell of tobacco makes him sick." No-To-Bac sold and guaranteed by Druggists everywhere. No cure, no pay. Book free. Sterling Remedy Co., New York or Chicago.

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GOSSIP.

A sister in Washington, Mrs. Monsey, embarked in the florists's business and built a greenhouse, but found it necessary to change to the nursery business. She writes: "Before our greenhouse was a year old two very choice 'Lilies' were added to our household—nothing more nor less than beautiful twin girls—an Eastergift—frail, beautiful blossoms requiring the most skillful care and watching. And before they were thirteen months old another lovely girl, Hazel, came to share our home. My bay window is full of plants, but the three newcomers require the most attention, and I advise those who would make a financial success not to try raising babies and flowers at the same time, for one or the other will be neglected. But I would say, mothers, while raising your little family see to it that your garden is full of perennial plants and bulbs. They come up every year, and grow and bloom almost without attention."

A Big Drop in Sugar.

Sears, Roebuck & Co., better known as the Cheapest Supply House on Earth, at 171, 173 and 175 W. Adams St., Chicago, Ill., are selling 40 lbs. of the very best granulated sugar for \$1, and other groceries at proportionately low prices; they ship their goods to anyone anywhere; they will supply you if anywhere within one thousand miles of Chicago, selling granulated sugar 40 lbs for \$1, and everything accordingly. Send no money, but cut this notice out and send to Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago, for full particulars.

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Pages 9x12, 180 attractive plans. Artistic modern exteriors. Postpaid \$1.00. Ill. circular free. Pamphlet, 30 designs, 25c.

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Choice Seeds for Present Sowing.

HARDY PERENNIALS FOR THE GARDEN.

Now is the time to sow the following choice Perennials. Sown this month the plants will get well started this season, and will be able to withstand the rigors of winter. Do not delay the matter. If you love perennials start the plants for a bed during this month. You will save a year's time by doing so.

Agrostemma coronaria	5	Coreopsis lanceolata	5	Hollyhock, mixed	10
Anchusa capensis	5	Catananche fl. pl.	5	Honesty	5
Asphodelus luteus	10	Centaurea, mixed	5	Iberis Gibraltarica	10
Aubrieta, mixed	5	Chelone barbata coccinea	5	Malva moschata alba	5
Alyssum saxatile	5	Campanula, mixed	10	Premium Pansy, mixed	10
Antirrhinum majus, mixed	5	Delphinium, mixed	5	Silene orientalis	10
Arabis alpina	5	Double Daisy	10	Tunica saxifraga	5
Carnation, fine double	10	Gypsophila paniculata	5	Verbena venosa	5
Carnation, dwarf,	10	Gaillardia grandiflora, mxd	5	Verbena Drummondii	5
Carnation, Grenadin	10	Hedysarum (tender) mixed	5	Perennial seeds in mixture	10

This list might be extended, but most other perennials require so much time to germinate that the plants would not get established this autumn. Indeed, some of the seeds would not come up till next spring. The above will all germinate in from seven to fourteen days after sowing.

WINTER-BLOOMING FLOWERS FOR WINDOW OR CONSERVATORY.

Alyssum, Sweet	5	Cuphea miniata	5	Nicotiana affinis	5
Ageratum, mixed	5	Roezli grandiflora	5	Nierembergia gracilis	5
Alonsoa, mixed	5	Celosia pyramidalis, mixed	5	Petunia, Fringed, mixed	5
Aster, Queen of the Market	8	Double Daisy, Improved	10	Double, mixed	15
Balsam, double, mixed	10	Gilia capitata	5	Medium-flowered, mixed	5
Browallia, mixed	5	Iberis, annual Candytuft	5	Large-flowered, mixed	5
Chrysanthemums, annuals	5	Kenilworth Ivy	5	Scabiosa, mixed	5
Calendula, mixed	5	Lobelia, blue, for baskets	5	Schizanthus, mixed	5
Prince of Orange	5	Mimulus, mixed	10	Tropæolum, mixed	5
Chinese Primroses, mixed	20	Mignonette, dwarf	5	Verbena hybrida	5

All these will bloom in the window or conservatory in winter if started from seeds in July or August. You can thus secure a fine display of plants and flowers for your window at very small cost. All the above can be had of almost any seedsman at the prices quoted.

Miss Marguerite Fuchsia.

A sister in California enclosed in an envelope a Marguerite and Fuchsia, as represented in the sketch, and here is the accompanying note:



Mr. Park:—I want to introduce to you Miss Marguerite Fuchsia, who is, as yet, only known at our house. Anyone can meet and make her acquaintance by following the directions given. Find a Fuchsia flower of the form and proportions to suit. Cut off all stamens but two, leaving them for feet. Take a Marguerite, cut off the petals, leaving a margin for the ruffle of the cap, and two large ones for

strings. With pen and ink make the eyes, and thrust a broom straw through the tube for arms. Connect the head with the body by a pin. Then you have yours truly,

Miss Marguerite Fuchsia.

Alameda Co., Cal., May 18, 1895.

That Premium Watch.

Mr. Park:—The watch No. 4 came all right, and I am much pleased. Kindly accept my thanks. My little son, 15 years old, is carrying it, and is delighted. Mrs. Chas. Parkin.

Portage Co., O., May 20, 1895.

Anyone who sends 75 trial subscribers at 10 cents each as offered on page headed "Grand Perennials" can have the Watch number 4, which is an excellent and handsome pocket time-piece. Or, I will send the watch for 15 subscribers at 50 cts., each subscriber getting the grand Begonia Premium offered on first title page of this issue. Go to work at once. You will find subscribers readily obtained upon these terms. Blank lists and sample copies free. Address, GEO. W. PARK, LIBONIA, PA.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Mr. Park:—It is with much pleasure I write to acknowledge the receipt and to thank you for the lot of strong healthy plants with which you so promptly filled my order of the 7th inst., also for extras. I unpacked them last night, and though they looked fresh enough to pot immediately I followed instructions minutely and feel well repaid for all extra pains I took with them in their bright looks this noon. I have them at present shaded in an empty hot-bed frame, all potted and pots sunk in the earth. I will see that my friends know where I got such fine plants so surprisingly low in price.

Merrimac, Mass., June 14, 1895. E. E. E.
[NOTE.—The plan adopted by this correspondent of sinking the pots in an old hot-bed and protecting them is a good one, and such as can be recommended. When such a convenience is at hand it should not be overlooked.—Ed.]

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Mrs. Ida J. Jones, St. Francis, Kan., will ex. 400 cancelled stamps or 5 varieties Cactus for 6 yards good calico; need not write.

Mrs. A. K. Leak, Pleasant Plain, Ohio, will ex. Cacti, Tuberoses and Gladiolus for offers.

Miss M. Peyton, 801 Broadway, Helena, Mont., has native moss and wild flowers to ex. for Cacti or Pansy or house plants; write.

Mrs. F. R. Thompson, Silver Creek, N. Y., has 15 varieties flower seeds, 2 of bulbs, 5 of hardy roots to ex. for best offer; write.

Miss Laura Wooden, 1319 Sixth St., New Orleans, La., will ex. fine plants for yellow Water Lily, seeds, bulbs or other plants.

Mrs. C. L. Hatch, Groton, N. Y., will ex. Calla, Pinks and Zephyranthes for Gloxinia, Dahlia or Gladiolus bulbs or Hibiscus.

Mrs. Cora Starks, W. Cummington, Mass., has house plants and hardy perennials to ex. for Asclepias tuberosa and Peonies.

Mrs. Sepha Johnson, Box 95, Cable, O., will ex. fine plants for offers; write.

Floy Reynolds, Lakeville, Conn., will ex. fine plants for Azaleas and Cypripediums.

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Mrs. J. Muchert, 217 Moon St., Chattanooga, Tenn., has paper covered novels to ex. for any flowers not in her collection; write first.

Mrs. H. R. Foster, Ashby, Mass., will ex. Nymphæa odorata for hardy bulbs, plants, shrubs or seeds not in her collection.

Mrs. Julia Holley, Pennington, Texas, will ex. bulbs and hardy shrubbery for pot plants and white Hyacinths.

Laura E. Isbell, Walhalla, S. C., will ex. violets for silk quilt pieces; write first.

Mrs. G. Kloninger, Washington, Wash., will ex. fine bulbs for Cacti not in her collection, Japan Lilies and rare postage stamps.

Mary E. Palmer, Box 22, Alexis, Ill., will ex. Atamasco Lilies and Lilies of the Valley for summer flowering bulbs, Begonias, etc.

Mrs. Nora Ward, Thornburg, Neb., will ex. flowering Currants, Cactus, Yucca, and flower seed for pieces of calico or gingham, 2 or 3 yds.

Miss H. E. Strong, Station M, New York City, has Daisy, Wisteria, and Honeysuckle to ex. for Cacti or Chrysanthemums; write.

Mrs. F. M. Boon, Beaumont, Texas, has Zephyr flowers and crochet patterns to ex. for Gloxinias or Little Gem Callas.

Mrs. J. M. Perkins, Quaker Springs, N. Y., has Oxalis bulbs, three varieties, to ex. for anything not in her collection.

Miss Mina E. Glover, Clay Springs, Fla., has fine plants and bulbs to exchange; write.

Mrs. L. M. M. Ogle, Fairmount, York, Pa., will ex. Mountain Laurel for seeds, plants, amateur photos or music; write first.

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Yours for Good Health,
Mrs. M. HAIGHT, South Bend, Ind.

IN MEXICO.

NO. 3.

The street cars of Mexico City are drawn by two horses, and both cars and horses are not unlike those used in Philadelphia. As the car starts or approaches a cross street the driver blows his horn. This instrument, hung by a string to his neck, is of brass; is about 10 inches long, widens gradually and is slightly curved, so that in size and shape it is not unlike an old-time powder horn. The fare is six cents of Mexican money, equal to about four cents of American money. It is not collected by deposit boxes, nor do we hear the ring of the bell-punch as the conductor passes. Instead of these American precautions the Mexicans have each car, in populous districts, accompanied by three men—a driver, ticket-seller and ticket collector. After a few minutes ride from the station we passed to the left of an immense circular building which is in a rather dilapidated condition. Upon inquiry I learned that this was a bull-ring, where, until a year or two since, or until the Governor suppressed it in this city, every national holiday was celebrated by a bull fight.

After a few more blasts from the driver's horn we passed a big market house which seemed to be thronged with buyers and sellers. Prof. Pringle had kindly posted me with reference to the hotels of the city, and I decided to stop at the Guadiola. I so informed one of the car men, and he landed me two squares back of the hotel, his nearest point, as this hotel is situated on San Francisco street, a driving street on which the cars do not run. A short walk brought me in sight

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of the place, a three-story structure with a few second and third-story windows in front, each of which had a narrow balcony attached, surrounded by an iron railing. In this respect it was not unlike most of the street buildings, but the words "Hotel Guadiola" in large letters above the upper windows made the place readily distinguishable. I looked for the big glass front and a crowd of reading and smoking guests propped back in easy arm chairs with their heels higher than their heads. "Did I see them?" No, but I did see a huge, dark, brick-floored hall-way, with black windowless walls at either side. I entered this, walked back a distance of perhaps 30 feet, and came to a glass-covered court perhaps 50 feet square. In this court, which was floored with large, square burned brick, were two small tables, one at each side, containing Mexican and English papers, and surrounded by a

few common hotel arm chairs. At the rear was another hall just like the entrance hall, and at either side a winding stairway. Beneath each stairway was a small room, one for the janitor and the other for the clerk. A blackboard hung in the rear hall, on which was placed the number of the rooms with space for the name of the occupant, and this was the register—no advertisements. I looked up, up, and there was the great glass roof, and at each story of the side walls as well as at the rear was a balcony with curtained glass doors, opening out open it at certain distances. I went back and presented myself at the office. I found one of the clerks could speak English, and he made arrangements to accommodate me in a room with a press reporter from Austin, Texas.

I found my companion to be a gentleman, intelligent and sociable, and somewhat acquainted with the place, and I was rather pleased with the arrangement. I registered at the blackboard in the hall, and looking back I found that this hallway led to another court containing plants. It was glass-covered, with balconies like the first, and upon a high platform at the rear wall was a huge red wheel with a heavy crank and some other fixings. I wondered! But the clerk showed me to my room at the head of the left stairway. Here I shaved, washed and brushed, and with my new friend, who had also just arrived, I was soon on the streets of Mexico.

The streets are mostly narrow, covered with cobble-stone, and with narrow brick sidewalks. Several popular driving streets are concreted. All the buildings, with a few exceptions, are built flush with the street, and are two and three stories high. The lower stories are occupied as salesrooms chiefly, and the upper ones as dwellings. A popular method of building in certain parts is to extend the second story over the sidewalk and support it by pillars between the side-walk and the street. In this case the first story is set back several feet

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LADIES, If you have superfluous

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Some of the arches were large—very large—others medium or small, and the bells they contained varied accordingly. Well, such a ringing I never before saw nor heard. I say saw, for my vision had hardly reached the place from whence the first tap came till all those bells, big and little, were doing their best to swell

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the chorus. I did not count the bells—perhaps could not have done so, at least while they were ringing—but the noise they made was certainly stunning. I recalled the musical bells of the early morning, and was reminded by that, as well as the closed stores and these bells, that the day was a holiday or feast day. The crowd seemed now to be moving toward the great cathedral, and I saw the people pouring into it on both sides, and from all directions. We followed the crowd and entered the building through a huge arched doorway.

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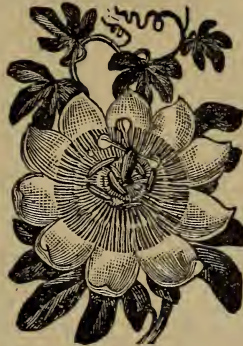


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