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Illustrated,

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— OF TESTED —

GARDEN SEEDS.

— GROWN AND FOR SALE BY —

A. T. COOK, SEEDSMAN, **HYDE PARK,**
DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK.

ANNUAL GREETING.



"May seed-time leave your doubts no room.
The summer find your fields a-bloom.
The harvest, as 'tis gathered in,
Crowd every barn, and every bin."



KIND FRIENDS:—In sending you my SEED CATALOGUE for 1892, I take this opportunity of thanking you for the liberal patronage bestowed on me, and for the many kind letters and testimonials, in regard to the good quality of my seeds. I am happy to say I do not know that I have a single dissatisfied customer; but should there be any such, if they will write to me, I will do my best to render satisfaction. I do not boast of having the largest seed house in the country, or of issuing the most magnificent Catalogue, filled with illustrated beauty, and bewitching rhetoric, (which all understand the customer really has to pay for in high-priced seeds.) But rather, I am glad to say that what I do, I mean to do well, and by personally growing most of the seeds, carefully testing them, and putting them up myself I KNOW WHAT I AM SELLING; and am able to supply good-sized packets at a reasonable price.

My business the past season has been greatly in excess of any previous year; and I find people fully understand the great advantage of buying tested seeds direct from the grower. I now have a very large and carefully selected stock of seeds to offer. To strangers, I would say—

YOU WILL NOT FIND IN MY CATALOGUE

"store seed" venerable with years, and greater travellers than Stanley; seed saved from the odds and ends of various crops; seed saved from unsalable melons, and onions; headless cabbages, sprangling carrots; refuse corn, beets, and vegetables of all sorts. But if you want Northern seed, honestly raised, home grown, carefully tested: seed warranted to give satisfaction [or order re-filled gratis], then I should be pleased to count you among my customers for 1892.



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"Sowing in the sunshine,
Sowing in the shadows;
Fearing neither clouds, nor
Winter's chilling breeze;
By and by the harvest,
And the labor ended,
We shall come rejoicing,
Bringing in the sheaves."



Please Remember

My seeds are raised for My Customers.
Terms, strictly CASH with the order.
I send no seeds on credit, or commission.
Postage-stamps taken same as cash.
 [Canada Stamps or Bills taken.]

HYDE PARK, N. Y. is my Money-Order Office,

I put in extra packets with every order.
Everything in this Catalogue carefully packed and sent by mail prepaid, at prices given.
I guarantee entire satisfaction in everything I offer, in so far that, should any prove otherwise, I will refill the order gratis.

HOW TO SEND MONEY ETC.

Although letters sent in the usual way very seldom get lost, it is, perhaps, best,—when \$1.00 or more is enclosed, to send by one of the following methods, (which may be done at my risk,) Registered Letter; Post-Office Order; Bank Draft, or by Express-order. I always put in more than enough extra packets to pay expense of ordering.

I GUARANTEE that all seeds sent out by me, shall reach their destination in good condition, and will replace any that may be lost or injured on the way:—thus I warrant everything but the crop, and make the purchase of seed the safest investment possible.

ORDER EARLY. Please send your orders early as possible, before the rush, while my stock is complete: I will have more time to add extra packets, and you will have the seeds on hand just when you want them. Should you receive more than one of my Catalogues, or Circulars, please hand to some friend, and thus do both them and me a favor.

WHAT I PROPOSE TO DO. 1st. To furnish my customers the very best seeds at a reasonable price. 2d. To furnish large size, well filled packets. 3d. To fill all orders promptly.

PARTICULAR ATTENTION. If any of my customers the past season purchased seeds of me that did not give entire satisfaction, will kindly mention it when ordering this season, I will be pleased to give them anything they wish of equal value.

SPECIAL



TO BOYS AND GIRLS and all others who wish to earn money and learn business. For \$2.50 I will mail you \$3.75 worth of seeds in packets, and also a special present—my Premium Box of Seeds (worth 75 cents.) For \$5.00 I will send \$7.50 worth, and 2 Premium Boxes. For \$10.00 I will mail \$15.00 worth and 4 Prem. Boxes, etc. (If preferred I will send the FARM JOURNAL two years free—in place of Premium Boxes.)

Now I want my seeds introduced in your neighborhood and you can make money helping me, so please take this catalog and go among your friends and neighbors and see how easily you can get up a club; almost everyone will order a few packets at least, and many will give you large orders, and very soon you will secure \$15.00 worth and have \$5.00 cash for your trouble—besides the 4 Prem. Boxes which you can readily sell for \$3.00 more. I hope you can send me many large clubs, but get up a club anyway—no matter how small. Remember I always add many new and valuable seeds gratis—fill all orders promptly,—send everything postpaid, and guarantee entire satisfaction. See page 8. Wishing you much success, I remain,

Very truly yours,

A. T. COOK.

FLOWERS.

“Plant in your garden some flowers to cheer you,
 To gladden your view thro’ the long summer days;
 They will cheer you when sadness comes stealing upon you,
 And lighten your cares as in childhood at play.”

CHOICE FLOWER SEEDS

is one of my specialties, and my trade in them,—always large,—is rapidly increasing. My customers can rely upon getting those of the very best quality and finest strains. I warrant my FLOWER SEEDS as fully as I do my Vegetable Seeds, and I guarantee all to be fresh, true to name, and of good vitality.



“Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.”

Specialties, Novelties, and Improved Varieties.

The following list of Specialties, new, and improved varieties of Vegetable seeds, etc. have been mostly grown, and fully tested by me, and found to be worthy of all the praise I have given them; and my customers will find them all of great value and merit.



HENDERSON'S NEW BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Think of raising Limas without poles! Grows about 18 inches high, in a compact bush form, and produces enormous crops of delicious Lima Beans; (a single plant has produced 270 pods.) The beans are the size of the Sleva or small Lima, and of delicious quality. It is two weeks earlier than the common Lima. This fact alone would stamp it as a most valuable novelty; but when in addition we realize that it is a true BUSH BEAN, requiring no supports, some idea of its great value can be obtained. Pkt. 15c. 2 for 25 cents.



IGNOTUM TOMATO. A new variety, and perhaps the nearest perfection of all—either for family use or market. It is large, smooth, heavy and solid; of a very handsome deep red color; it ripens perfectly, and is remarkably free from cracking or rotting; the flesh is of the finest quality, with a delicious flavor; very early, and very productive, (has produced double the crop of the Mikado.) The above illustration [which is only $\frac{1}{2}$ natural size,] is a fair representation of this magnificent tomato. Pkt. 10c. 3 for 25c.

WILLIAM STEELE, Bathgate, Dak. Feb. 23d. 1889, writes:—We are glad to send in a small order for seeds, as we get such good satisfaction in everything we get from you, and can confidentially recommend them to our friends; thanks for extra packets sent.

SHOE PEG SUGAR CORN.

This very excellent new and distinct variety, originated at Bordentown N. J. in which market it is considered the sweetest and choicest sort grown, selling at double the prices of all other varieties. It has the deepest grain and smallest cob of any. The cut is an exact representation from nature—reduced in size.

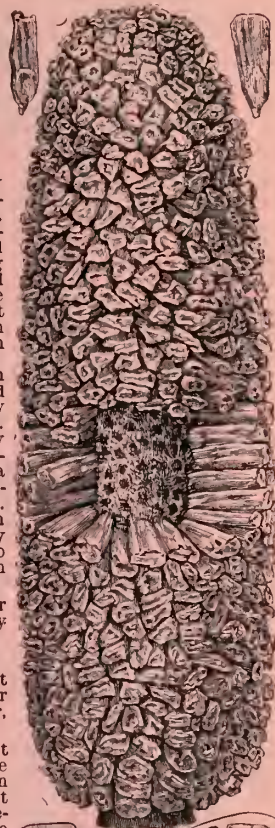
The stalks are of medium height, joints short, and sometimes yield as many as five ears, well filled out. The kernel is small, very long, white and exceedingly tender, sweet and of a rich flavor that is not equalled by any other sort. In maturing it is medium late. It possesses so many desirable qualities that no market or private garden is complete without it.

Packet 15 cents; two for 25 cts. quart 45 cts.—by mail postpaid.

"The SHOE PEG sweet corn is the best we ever ate." Christian Weckesser, Marshallville O.

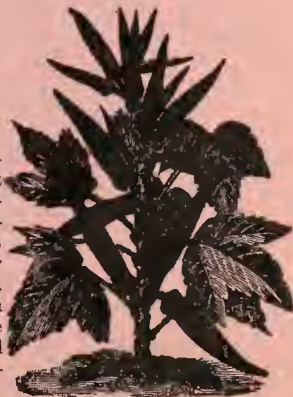
"Of the 6 kinds of sweet corn grown this year, none gave us the satisfaction that the Shoe Peg did. It was so sweet and delicate-flavored that some of the household would touch no other—even the Evergreen, while this was to be had."

A. J. Wilson,
Macedon, N. Y. Nov. 1890.

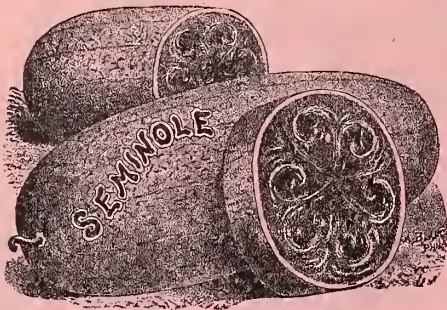


WHITE VELVET OKRA.

Why not try Okra this year? You will like it especially if you try this splendid new variety. It is very early, distinct and of an attractive white velvet appearance, of superior flavor and tenderness. The young pods are extra nice for soups, stews, etc., and also much liked when pickled. The pods are of extra large size, and produced in great abundance. Pkt. 10c.

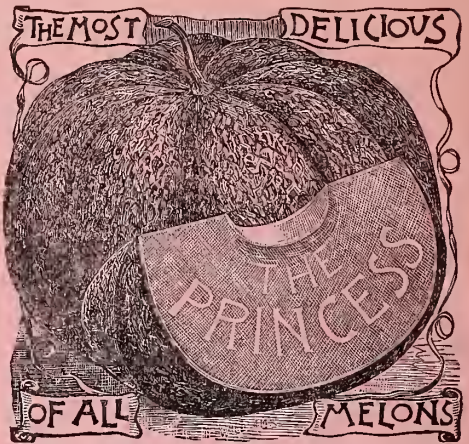


MRS. A. B. HUNTER, Caldwell, Wis. May 14th, 1889, writes:—Seeds received in good condition, and I wish to thank you for your generosity and promptness. Your seeds have always been a success in every way.



SEMINOLE WATERMELON.

This new melon originated in Florida, the land of melons. It is extra early, extra large, enormously productive, and of most delicious flavor. All lovers of fine melons should give the New Seminole a trial. Pkt. 10 cts., 3 for 25 cts.

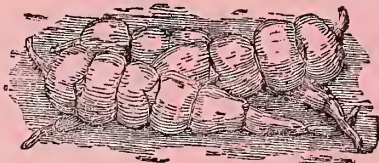


I offer this season, "THE PRINCESS" a new Muskmelon of extraordinary value, which after a thorough trial for the past two seasons, has proven the best and richest in flavor of over forty varieties. My engraving, made from nature, shows their shape, which is nearly round, with heavily netted dark green skin; the flesh is of a rich salmon color, thicker than in any other melon, and in flavor is SWEET AND LUSCIOUS BEYOND DESCRIPTION. They ripen early, and grow to good size, frequently weighing eight to ten pounds each. The vines grow vigorously and are very productive, often producing six to eight perfect melons on a single vine.

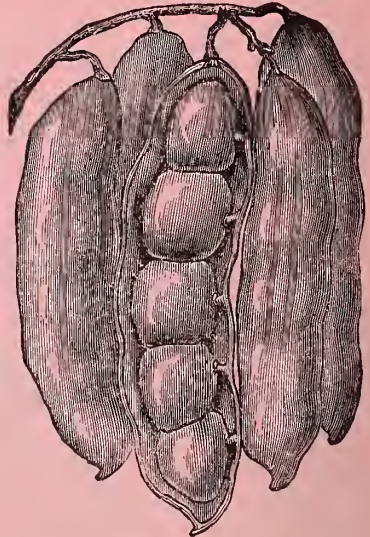
Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



BEANS: New Golden Prize.—Early, and very productive; pods long, brittle, and ENTIRELY STRINGLESS: of a rich golden wax color. Excellent both as a snap bean and a shell bean for winter use. The plants grow very uniform; are exceedingly hardy, and I have never known them to blight, or rust in the least. I consider them decidedly the best dwarf bean, I ever raised. Pkt. 10 c. Pint 25 c. qt. 45 cts.

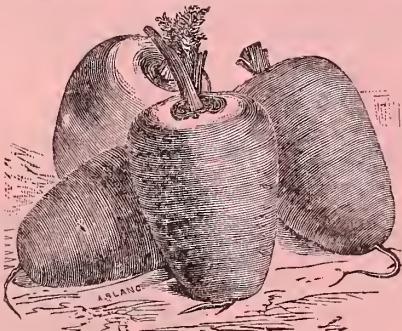


[STACHYS AFFINIS:—This is a peculiar and valuable vegetable, or ground-fruit recently introduced from Japan. The tubers are white as snow and produced in wonderful abundance, and are good cooked in various ways, fried, roasted, baked, etc; if prepared as Egg Plant they resemble it, having a pleasant spicy flavor. They are very sweet, tender and nutritious; perfectly hardy, and like parsnips or artichokes are best if left in the ground until spring. Tubers 25c. per Doz. 3 Doz. for 60c. 6 Doz. for \$1.00

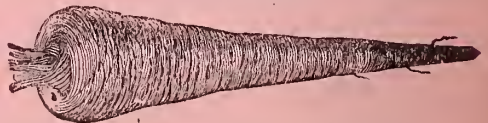


[CUT ONE-THIRD NATURAL SIZE.]

COOK'S IMPROVED LIMA.—Best Lima Bean grown, either for home use or market, very productive. 10 days to two weeks earlier than Dreer's Improved. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



CARROT. New Oxheart. This carrot comes from France, and is a decided advance in shape as shown in the illustration; it is very thick, attaining from three to four inches in diameter. It is of fine quality, and will prove of great value both in family and market gardens. Pkt. 5 c.



LARGE SUGAR PARSNIP:—Roots long, white, smooth, tender, sugary, and of excellent flavor. Parsnips are improved by remaining in the ground exposed to frost during winter. Pkt. 5 c.

MANGEL-WURZEL BEET.

GOLDEN TANKARD. This is decidedly the finest mangel in cultivation; the flesh rich golden yellow, exceedingly nutritious. It is a very heavy cropper. Pkt 5 cts. 1-4 lb. 20 cts. lb 50 cts.

Mrs. GILMAN STEARNS, Machias, Maine, writes:—The Collection of seeds gave far better results than I expected; I never sowed seeds before that I thought more came up than I planted. My Celery surpassed any that I ever saw before; it was very crisp, and of exquisite flavor; I never saw anything like it when I lived in the City.

POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.

This wonderful new variety, (first introduced by me,) originated in North Carolina—a few seeds were kindly sent me for trial by Prof. R. S. POWELL, Principal of the English and Mathematical School of Keldsville. Prof. Powell writes:—"They are an extraordinary snap bean surpassing anything ever seen in our section—bearing profusely, and continuing until frost; they are very tender and palatable—six hills enough for a family."

I have found this bean a most rampant grower, one plant filling a pole with a mass of vines—densely loaded with luscious beans. I do not claim too much when I say they are fully TWICE AS PRODUCTIVE as any other variety in existence. They are a sight worth seeing; almost a solid mass of pods from the bottom to top of the pole. The handsome green pods average 8 or 9 beans to the pod, grow very uniform, about 6 inches long; perfectly stringless, very thick, meated, tender, rich and buttery; possess an exquisite flavor when cooked—many calling it without exception the very best bean grown. It is a late variety and continues in bearing so long it might well be called "everbearing." My supply of seed is so limited, and the demand for it so great, that I can only offer it in packets. I make the price so low that all can give it a trial. Pkt. 15 cts. 2 for 25 cts. 5 for 50 cts.

S. E. GWINN, Mt. Ida, W. Va. Sept. 1890 writes: From 6 VINES of the Prolific Beans I sold 3 bushels—a family of 9 eat from them liberally, and there is still a bushel on the vines. I never saw anything to compare with them. All your seeds done well.

AMY THOMPSON, Pine Grove, Ohio, Oct. 23d. writes:—I raised 1800 Powell's Prolific beans on ONE VINE; which was the greatest yield I ever saw.

Mrs. C. E. LISSFORD, Kinards, S. C. Nov. 5th. writes:—I actually can't tell by count, how many beans grew on one stalk of the POWELL'S PROLIFIC, but from five vines we ate beans all the summer, and then gathered over one-half gallon of seed. They were the admiration of the neighborhood; I have picked a full mess of beans for dinner, without changing position at the vine. Our summer was dry,—but the vines continued green and bearing, while all other kinds of beans dried up, they are the best bean I ever saw grow, and I cannot command words to express the true value of such a garden treasure.



EMERALD GEM. This variety possesses many fine qualities. It is prolific. The flesh is salmon color, very thick, of a rich delicious flavor. It is pronounced one of the sweetest, as well as the earliest small Muskmelons grown. 1 kt 5 cts.



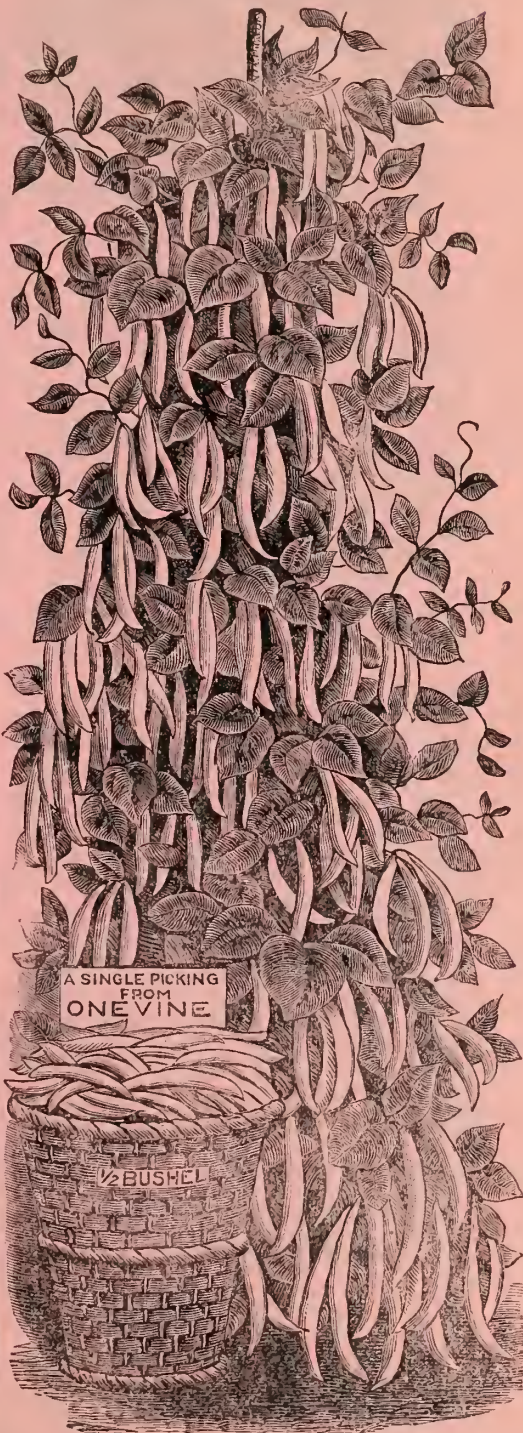
CHAMPION PEANUT.

This new variety is the result of years of the most

careful cultivation, and will be found to far surpass any other variety. It is early, of large size, and extremely prolific—having yielded on ordinary land 100 bushels per acre.

Directions for planting etc. on each packet.

Large pkt 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. quart 50 cts.



POWELL'S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.



CHRISTMAS WATERMELON. A most valuable, new and distinct variety. They have been kept in a cool cellar for over four months, and cut fresh and delicious. Their valuable keeping and shipping qualities are due to a peculiar, hard tenacious coating or enamelling of the skin, which also gives them an exceedingly handsome and fresh appearance. The flesh is rich scarlet, very solid, and of delicious sugary flavor. Packet 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.

"THE MOST DESIRABLE CLIMBER IN CULTIVATION."



THE CINNAMON VINE.

A beautiful climber, which possesses the rare quality of emitting from its flowers the delightful odor of cinnamon, and very appropriately called the "Cinnamon Vine." Perfectly hardy, the stem dying down every autumn, but growing again so rapidly in the spring as to completely cover any trellis or arbor very early in the season. It is as easily cultivated as the Madeira Vine, has no insect enemies, and is not affected by drouth. It is propagated from roots or bulbs which will make from ten to twenty feet of vine, and with its beautiful heart-shaped leaves, bright green peculiar foliage, and clusters of delicate white flowers, sending forth a delicious cinnamon odor, render it by far the most desirable climber in cultivation. Planted near a door or window, and the vine trained over and about it makes an ornament worthy the admiration of all.

Miss EMMA A. FIELD, of Elyria, O., writes:—It is a beautiful vine of rapid growth, beautiful foliage, and a perfume that is perfect.

PRICES OF THE CINNAMON VINE.

I will send three nice roots or tubers by mail post-paid for 30 cents; six roots for 50 cts. or twelve roots for \$1.00, [no order filled for less than 3 roots.] I pack them well in strong paper boxes, and guarantee them to reach their destination in good condition.

☞ The above is less than half the usual prices. ☞

☞ I am probably the largest grower of Cinnamon Vines in the United States, and send out only THE FINEST SELECTED ROOTS.

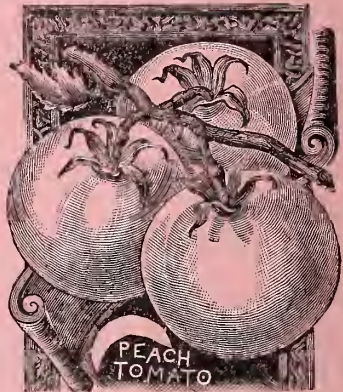
H. A. Mc. QUISTON, Fair Haven, Ohio, May, 30th, 1889, writes:—The last three years I have planted Cook's seeds side by side with those of our most reliable seedsmen such as * * * and many others; and Cook's always come out ahead. I have watched it closely and it has surprised me greatly: the difference must be in the vitality of seed.



**BONNET, OR
DISH-CLOTH
GOURD.**

This remarkable climber came from Japan the fruit grows from one to two feet in length, and the vine is very ornamental, producing clusters of large yellow blossoms, in pleasing contrast with the silvery shaded, dark green foliage.

A natural dishcloth, and a most admirable one is furnished by the peculiar lining of this fruit which is sponge-like, porous, very tough, elastic and durable. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth to any prepared by art. As a substitute for sponges in the bath, and for many other toilet purposes, they have no equal. For fancy work they should be gathered before they get fully ripe and dry; the lining then is of a delicate cream color resembling embossed antique lace. Beautiful card baskets, bonnets fans etc. can be made from it. In the North this variety requires to be started in a hot-bed. Packet, 10 cents.



NEW PEACH TOMATO.

It is difficult to decide from its appearance whether it is a Peach or a Tomato. It is similar to many peaches not only in size, but shape, color, and general appearance, seeming to have the very bloom of the peach upon its surface. Its equal in delicacy of flavor does not exist in the Tomato family. For exhibition purposes it is very desirable. I recommend it as a variety which will please my customers very much. Pkt, 10 cts., 3 for 25 cts.

Mrs. D. McLIN, Hillsboro, Oregon, writes:—Your garden seeds are very good, I know by experience, and I can get them from you for just half what I pay here and about twice the amount in a packet.

S. G. CAMPBELL, Tappan Ohio, writes:—Last Spring I got three packets of Egyptian Pop Corn from you; and I raised 3½ bushels, sold 2½ bushels for \$3.75 have ½ bu. to sell yet, and enough left for winter.

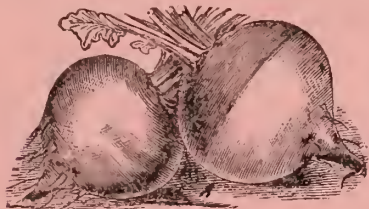
NEW SEEDS FREE FOR TRIAL.

As has been my usual custom for many years, I have again put up thousands of packets of new and improved varieties of Vegetable and Flower Seeds, and will in all cases add a liberal number free for trial among all my customers for 1892. ☞ See page 2.



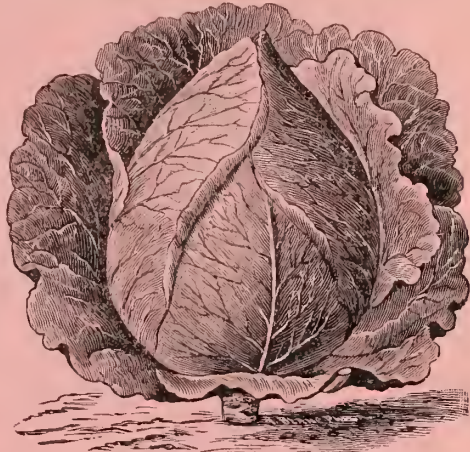
NEW BANANA MUSK-MELON.

This new variety originated with one of our best growers in South Jersey, and is pronounced by him the most profitable variety he has ever grown. He realized an average of forty cents each for his entire crop, as they were eagerly sought after in the Philadelphia markets, on account of their great oddity of shape and appearance. They grow from 20 inches to 2 feet long, are very productive, with deep yellow flesh, by many preferred to any other variety, and a great curiosity. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



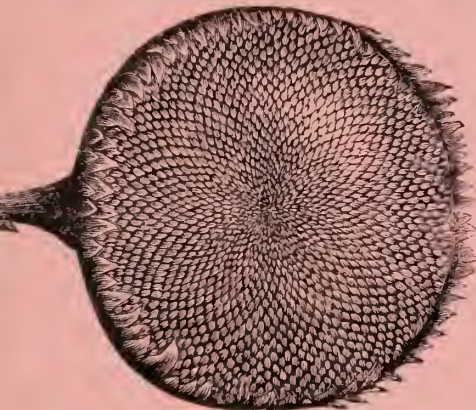
IMPROVED PURPLE-TOP YELLOW RUTA-BAGA.

This variety cannot be too highly recommended and no sort will produce such handsomely-formed roots, or greater yield. It is extra fine quality, very solid, of a beautiful orange color, with a handsome purple top; It is the result of many years of careful selection. Pkt. 5 cts.




EARLY WINNIGSTADT.

A well known and very popular variety, heads large, decidedly conical, remarkably solid and hard, even in summer. This is a sure header, a good shipper, and suffers less from the cabbage worm than any other sort, valuable for both summer or winter use. Market gardeners and all others desiring a choice strain of this desirable cabbage should try my selected seed. Pkt. 5 cts.



SUNFLOWERS.—GIANT VARIETIES.

This packet contains ALL the LARGEST AND BEST varieties:—Black Giant, Hybrid, Mammoth Russian, Jumbo, and Arctic:—selected seed, grown separate and carefully mixed.  ALL REAL PRIZETAKERS. Sunflowers require little care and can be grown in fence-corners, around yards etc.—but well deserve better treatment: they make fine shade for poultry, and bees gather honey from their large blossoms.

There is abundant testimony to show that the sunflower absorbs malaria, and it should be extensively planted in all unhealthy districts. In the West and North-West its strong thick stalks are much used for fuel. Single heads measure from 12 to 22 inches in diameter, and contain an immense quantity of seed. It is the VERY BEST EGG-PRODUCING FOOD known for poultry: they eat it greedily, fatten well upon it, and obtain a bright, lustrous plumage, and strong healthy condition, better than on most any other food. It can be raised cheaper than corn; an acre of ten producing over 100 bushels of seed. Pkt. 10 cts.

NEW DWARF CHAMPION TOMATO.

Introduced by W. C. Beckert, originator of the Charters radish,—who describes it as follows; "In this new variety we have a tomato that is entirely distinct; It is dwarf and compact in habit, and can be planted as close as three feet. In a comparative test with leading varieties it has proven itself remarkably early; ripening its fruit as early as July 1st. It is an immense cropper, and will yield double the quantity of extra early fruit per acre, than can be obtained from any other tomato. Price 5 cts. per pkt.



TOMATOES.

BEST VARIETIES MIXED.

Few are aware of the great improvement made in Tomatoes in the last few years. This desirable packet contains a liberal quantity of seed of each of the following new, earliest, and best varieties; Livingston's Beauty, Perfection, Favorite, Dwarf Champion, Mikado (Turner's Hybrid), Potato Leaf, Golden Trophy, Golden Queen, Ignotum, New Peach, and 7 others.

In separate packets these tomatoes would cost at least \$1.00. Every seed is of my own growing and selected with the greatest care. Pkt. 15c. 2 for 25c.

C. M. GOODSPEED, (Proprietor of American Club List, and dealer in Italian Queens and Bees.) Thorn Hill, N. Y. Oct., 1887, writes:—Your seeds have proved far ahead of anything we have had.

J. T. DUBBERLY, Surrency, Ga. writes:—I have tried your seeds, and am well pleased with them. They ALL grow, and I get more seeds for the money than from other dealers.

GENERAL LIST OF

Vegetable, and Flower Seeds.

I have taken much pains to give a select list of only the best varieties, rather than a bewildering long one. I hope every one who has not planted my seeds, will give me at least a trial order. [And then you will receive my Catalogue next year without writing for it.]

SPECIAL PREMIUMS. AND LIBERAL DISCOUNTS.—As an inducement for the formation of clubs, or to market gardeners and those who order larger quantities than usual for their own use, I make the following **LIBERAL DISCOUNTS ON SEEDS IN PACKETS**,

YOU MAY SELECT seeds in packets to the value of \$1.50 for EACH dollar you send me. (25 cents worth of Flower Seeds may be selected as a Premium for a 50 cent order.)

☞ The above liberal rates are ONLY on seeds IN PACKETS; and not on anything else.

MY GREAT PREMIUM OFFERS ON \$2.50 ORDERS.

IN ADDITION to above liberal discounts, I will furnish, if desired, the excellent **FARM JOURNAL** [to any address—or addresses desired] **TWO YEARS FREE**, for every \$2.50 order selected from my Catalogue—two subscriptions to Journal for a \$5.00 order,—three for a \$7.50 order, etc. ☞ If preferred I will send Premium Box of Seeds (worth 75c.) in place of Journal.

WHY I CAN AFFORD TO GIVE SO MUCH FOR \$2.50.

I have a large list of Customers which I have secured by giving Extra Good Bargains, and I not only want to keep every one, but mean to have them so overflowing with satisfaction that they will tell their friends and neighbors, and in this way advertise my seeds, I always issue a neat little Catalogue at small expense—offering a select list of best varieties—mostly grown by myself; and in this way can give my Customers **REAL BARGAINS** that cannot be approached by large City Dealers who issue gaudy Catalogues and then must charge their patrons high prices to pay tremendous advertising bills. Is not this so, friends?

ALL SEEDS SENT BY MAIL POSTPAID ON RECEIPT OF PRICE.

(And a liberal number of extras—new Vegetable and Flower Seeds added free to every order.)

ASPARAGUS. Conover's Colossal. pkt. 5 cts.	CHICORY. Large Rooted. 5	WATER-MELON. Cuban Queen, 5 Mammoth Ironclad, 5 Stokes' Extra Early, 5 Christmas, 10 Hungarian Honey, 10 Seminole, 10 15 Best varieties mixed, 15
BEANS [Dwarf]. New Golden Prize, 10 New Prolific Tree, 10 Henderson's Bush Lima, 15	SWEET CORN. Cook's Extra Early, 10 Improved Evergreen, 10 Mammoth Sugar, 10 Shoe Peg, 15	COLORADO PRESERVING Melon, or Citron. 10
BEANS [Pole]. Cook's Improved Lima, 10 California Golden Wax, 10 Powell's Prolific. pkt. only, 15	POP CORN. Cook's Improved Egyptian 10 Variegated. 15	OKRA White Velvet, 10
BEEF. New Extra Early, 10 Early Eclipse, 5 Long Smooth Red, 5 Best varieties mixed. 10	CUCUMBER. Early Green Cluster, 5 Nichol's Medium Green, 5 Long Green, 5 Everbearing,—New, 10	ONION. Prizetaker,—New, 10 Large Red Wethersfield, 5 Yellow Danvers, 5 Mammoth Silver King. 10 Best varieties mixed. 10
MANGEL, Golden Tankard, 5	CRESS. Curled, or Pepper-grass. 5	PARSNIP. Large Sugar, or Hollow-Crown, 5
CABBAGE. Early Jersey Wakefield, 5 Early Wimmigstadt, 5 Fotler's Imp'd Brunswick, 5 Premium Flat Dutch, 5 New Short-Stem Drumh'd, 10 Best varieties mixed. 10	GARDEN DOCK. 10 EGG-PLANT. Improved N. Y. Purple, . 10	PEAS. Station,—New, 15 American Wonder, 10 Ever-bearing, 10 Telephone, 10
CARROT. New Ox Heart, 5 Improved Long Orange, 5	KOHL RABI. Early White Vienna. 5 LETTUCE. Early Prize Head, 5 New Queen, 10	PARSLEY. Extra Fine Curled, 5
CAULIFLOWER. Early Snowball, 20	MUSTARD. White French. 5	PEPPER. New Golden Dawn, 5 Ruby King, 5 Coral Gem Bouquet, 10
CELERY. Boston Market, 5 New Rose, 5 White Plume, self-blanch'g. 10 Best varieties mixed. 10	MUSK-MELON. Emerald Gem, 5 Netted Giant, (new), 10 Princess, 10 New Banana, 10 Green Nutmeg, 5 Winter Pineapple,—New, 15 Best varieties mixed. 10	PUMPKIN. Early Sugar, 5 Tennessee Sweet Potato, 5 King of the Mammoths, 10

RADISH.		TURNIP.	
Early Scarlet Turnip,	5	White Egg,	5
French Breakfast,	5	Yellow Aberdeen,	5
New Chartier,	5		
White Strasburg,	5	RUTA-BAGAS.	
New Rosy Gem,	10	Imp'd. Purple-Top Yellow.	5
Chinese Rose Winter,	5	VEGETABLE PEACH.	10
RHUBARB. (Pie Plant),	5		
SALSIFY, (Vegetable Oyster.)	5	MISCELLANEOUS SEEDS,	
SPINACH. Long Standing,	5	ROOTS, ETC.	
SQUASH.		BROOM CORN, Evergreen, pkt.	10
Early Bush Scollop,	5	BRAZILIAN FLOUR CORN, new, 10	
Summer Crookneck,	5	JAPANESE BUCKWHEAT,	10
Perfect Gem,	5	WEST INDIA GHERKIN,	5
Hubbard,	5	CHAMPION PEANUTS, [early]	10
Winter Crookneck,	5	GARDEN LEMON,	10
Improved Cushaw,	10	NASTURTIUM, Dwarf Mixed,	5
Fordhook, --New,	10	ENDIVE, Grecn Curled,	5
TOMATO.		CHUFAS, or Earth Almonds,	10
Livingston's Beauty,	5	POTATO SEED, (very choice.)	25
Dwarf Champion,	5	ANIMATED OATS, [a curiosity]	5
Golden Queen,	5	GOURD. Sugar Trough,	10
Ignotum [new,]	10	" Dipper, very useful,	10
New Peach,	10	" Japanese Nest-Egg,	10
15 Large varieties mixed,	15	" Bonnet, or Dish-cloth,	10
15 Small varieties mixed.	10	SUNFLOWER, Mam'th Russian,	5
STRAWBERRY TOMATO-		COLLARDS, True Georgia,	10
[Golden Husk, or Ground-		STACHYS AFFINIS, Doz.—	25
Cherry,]	3	3 CINNAMON VINE ROOTS,	.30
PURPLE HUSK TOMATO,	10	100 SUMMIT POTATO EYES,	\$1.00
		100 C. DOWNING "	1.00

HERBS.			
Anise,	5	Caraway,	5
Lavender,	5	Horehound,	5
Sweet Basil,	5	Sage,	5

Flower Seeds.

Aster, Finest double mixed,	10
Balloon Vine. (Love in a Puff),	5
Balsam, Finest double mixed	5
Calendula. Officinalis, Meteor.	5
Candytuft. Fragrant,	5
China Pink. Finest double mx'd.	5
Chrysanthemum, fine mixed,	5
Cockscomb, best mixed,	5
Cypress Vine. fine mixed,	5
Hollyhock. Finest double mx'd.	10
Moon Flower, (true,) white,	15
Pansy. Best mixed, all colors,	10
Petunia. Fine mixed,	10
Phlox. Choicest mixed colors,	10
Poppy, Shirley, (new,)	10
Poppy, double mx'd.	5
Portulaca, mixed,	5
Sweet Peas. All colors mixed,	10
Sensitive Plant,	5
Sweet Willam. Choicest colors,	5
Verbena. Best varieties mixed.	10
Zinnia. Double, mixed colors.	5
Everlasting Flowers and Grasses.	10
All finest varieties mx'd.	10
Mixed Flower Seeds, over 300 choice varieties in one large package. I am putting up a greater assortment than ever before, which adds much to their attractiveness.	15

Beans, Peas, and Sweet Corn, by the Quart, Seeds by the Ounce &c.

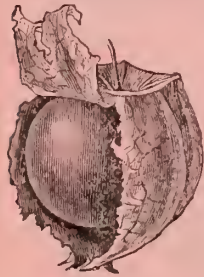
ALL DWARF BEANS; PEAS, AND CORN, PINT 25 cts. QUART 45 cts., POSTPAID.
 HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA, pint 40 cents; quart 75 cts; two quarts \$1.40—postpaid.

Asparagus; Beet; Carrot; Cucumber; Parsnip; Radish; [except Rosy Gem,] Spinach; Turnip; Ruta-baga; Musk-Melon, (except Princess, Giant, and Banana); Water-Melon, (except Christmas, Honey, and Seminole); and Squash; Ounce 10 cts. 4 ounces 35 cts.

Cabbage; Celery, Lettuce; Onion; Tomato; Rosy Gem Radish; Christmas, Honey, and Seminole Water-Melon; and Princess Musk-Melon; Ounce 25 cts. 4 ozs. 75 cts.

☞ Prices for larger quantities, given on application.

STRAWBERRY TOMATO.—I am headquarters for the true Strawberry Tomato, [Golden Husk, or Ground Cherry,] seed.

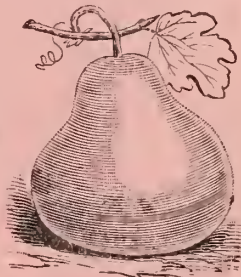


This distinct husk tomato, is unequalled for canning, preserving, and pies. Dried in sugar, as Raisins, or Figs, or to use in fruit cake, they are unexcelled. They are a handsome golden color—the size of large cherries, enormously productive and will keep (if left in husks) all winter: they have a strawberry flavor, and many esteem them fully equal to that fruit to eat out of hand. This tomato is indispensable where fruit is scarce or likely to fail.

Directions for planting,—preserving, etc. on each packet. Selected seed, Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.

SWEET CORN.—Cook's Extra Early. The VERY BEST, and earliest sweet corn grown; ears 6 to 8 inches long; very productive, and sweet. ☞ Especially valuable for the market-gardener, to completely control the early markets. Pkt. 10 cts.

SUGAR TROUGH GOURD. These Gourds are very useful for many household purposes, such as buckets, baskets,



nest boxes, soap and salt dishes, and for storing the Winter's lard. They grow to hold from 4 to 10 gallons each, have thick hard shells, very light, but durable, having been kept in use as long as 10 years. Pkt. 10c., 3 for 25 cts.

GOLDEN QUEEN TOMATO.

A real good yellow sort of first class quality. It is solid, very smooth, free from ridges, large in size, ripens up early, and is by far the most beautiful yellow variety ever sent out. None is better for preserving or slicing; the handsome, golden yellow slices make a beautiful contrast in a dish with red tomatoes. It has very little acid.

SUGAR TROUGH GOURD.

Pkt. 5 cts., 6 for 25 cts.,

THE FARM JOURNAL has a circulation of 200,000. It is devoted to The Farm, The Garden, The Household, The Poultry Yard, Fruit Growing, Our Young Folks etc., etc. It is furnished to subscribers at 50 cents per year. It is clean and pure, and deserves a million readers. I have only room for the following—from W. H. Bowers of Camden Maine who writes me June 8, 1890 "I take six papers now and the Farm Journal is worth all the rest" (See opposite page.)

POP CORN.—Cook's Improved Egyptian. I have been improving this corn, for many years, and now offer a strain of seed that cannot be surpassed. It pops splendid, bursting out very large, white as snow; tender, and delicious. Every one who keeps poultry, should raise a supply for feeding chickens, nothing can be better. Boys and Girls, as well as older ones, can get a nice income growing this corn to sell; it sells readily at from \$1.00 to \$3.00 per bushel of ears. I send out only **EXTRA SELECTED** seed. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. quart, 60 cents.



COLORADO PRESERVING MELON.

This is quite distinct from the ordinary preserving citron, the seeds being of a light green color. It is immensely productive; one vine produced 25 fine melons, weighing from 10 to 30 pounds each. The flesh is very firm and solid, with few seeds, and makes beautiful, clear, transparent preserves of surpassingly fine flavor. pkt 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.



PERFECT GEM SQUASH.

The Gem squashes are from 4 to 6 inches in diameter, of a light straw color, slightly ribbed, and have a thin smooth skin; very productive,—24 squashes having been grown on a single vine. It is an excellent keeper. The flesh is unusually sweet, dry and fine-grained when cooked, and I consider them the best squash in cultivation. Pkt. 5 cts.

NEW PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. A new and valuable variety, and by far the most prolific dwarf



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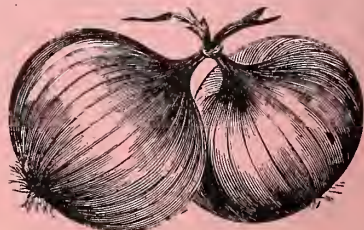
bean known; growing about twenty inches in height, branching out in all directions, bearing its pods so high that they do not touch the ground, enabling it to stand a wet spell without injury. They have yielded over one hundred bushels to the acre; and a single plant has produced the enormous number of 399 full sized pods. Plant in rows 2½ feet apart and 15 inches apart in the row, one bean in the hill. Do not crowd them. 4 quarts will plant one acre. Time of maturity 90 days. They resemble the common Navy Bean, more rounded at the ends, very white, cooking in less time, of finer flavor. Pkt. 10c.



ROSY GEM RADISH. This new Radish has won golden opinions in all sections of the country. The illustration is perfect from nature, and will give some idea of their great beauty. It is absolutely the earliest radish in cultivation; their shape is perfectly globular, with rich deep scarlet top; equally desirable for either the market or home garden, and should be planted by everybody. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

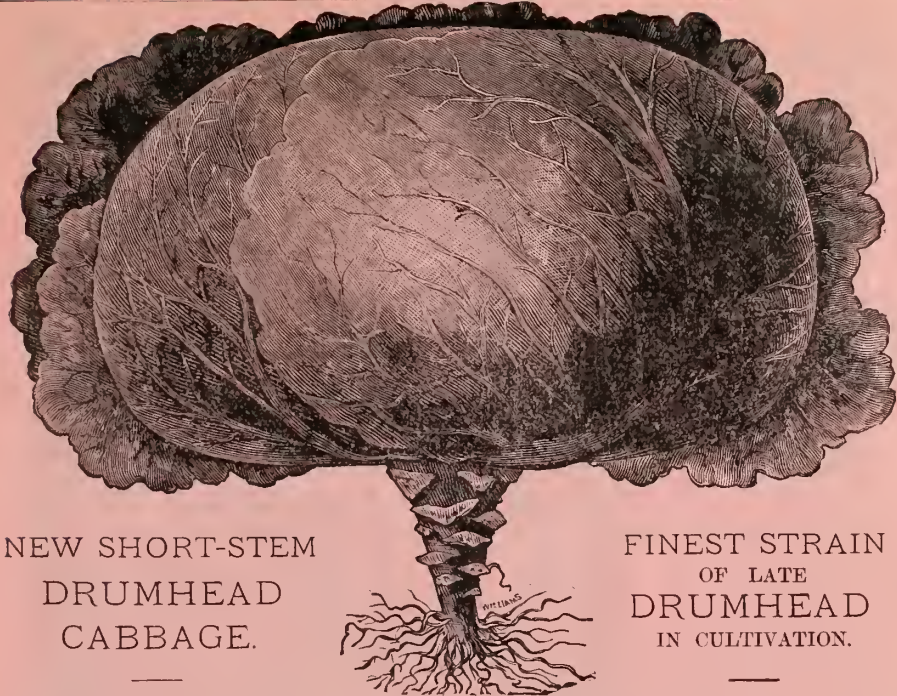


PEPPER. Golden Dawn Mango. The earliest, sweetest, handsomest and most productive pepper grown; entirely free from fiery flavor. For beauty of growth this pepper is worthy of a place in the flower garden: my plants averaged 15 full-grown mangoes each. Pkt. 5 cts.



YELLOW DANVERS ONION.

K. MAARTMAN, Park River, Dak. Feb. 7th. 1889. writes:—I can recommend your seed very highly. Last spring I had seeds from Wis. Mich. Mo. and Dak.—but none of them gave such good satisfaction as yours. All of yours done nicely. I was the only one in the town that grew any cabbages. I raised 200 fine heads from one packet of your seed.



NEW SHORT-STEM
DRUMHEAD
CABBAGE.

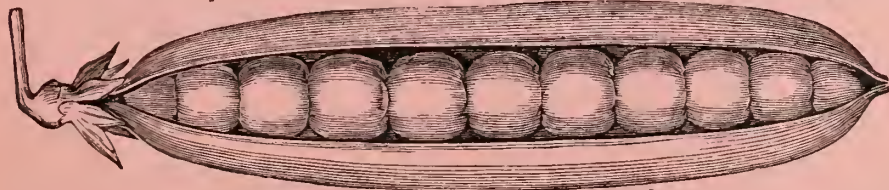
FINEST STRAIN
OF LATE
DRUMHEAD
IN CULTIVATION.

The New, Short-Stem Drumhead combines, to a wonderful degree, all desirable requisites. It has a very short stem and grows very compactly. The heads are EXTRA HARD, SOLID, round, flattened on the top; they grow very uniform in size and shape, and present the handsome appearance so well depicted in the above illustration. The heads frequently attain twenty or thirty pounds in weight, and are always of the finest quality. For reliability of heading, this variety is, from long-continued selection, also remarkable. From each 100 plants set out, at least 98 large solid heads may confidently be expected. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 25c.

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EXTRA EARLY BEET.

After a careful trial the past two seasons, I am pleased to offer this new variety as one of almost inestimable value. How many of my Market Gardening friends believe that there is anywhere in existence, a nice, smooth garden beet, of deep red color, which will produce roots of suitable size for market TEN DAYS in advance of the Early Egyptian? Well friends, this variety does that very thing: I was incredulous until I planted the seeds side by side; watching the growth almost daily, and saw a finely formed root develop on every plant of this new variety, fully ten days before other early kinds began to bottom! Price of Extra Early Beet; pkt. 10cts. 3 for 25c. 7 for 50 cts. 15 for \$1.00.



TELEPHONE PEA.

This new variety is immensely productive, of the finest quality and excellent sugary flavor: vines very strong: pods are of large size, and closely packed with large delicious peas. Pkt. 10c. pint. 25c. qt. 45 cts.



NEW ROSE CELERY.

This is better in many respects than the white, being hardier, more solid and crisp, keeping better in winter, and having to a greater degree that delicious nutty flavor so desirable in Celery.

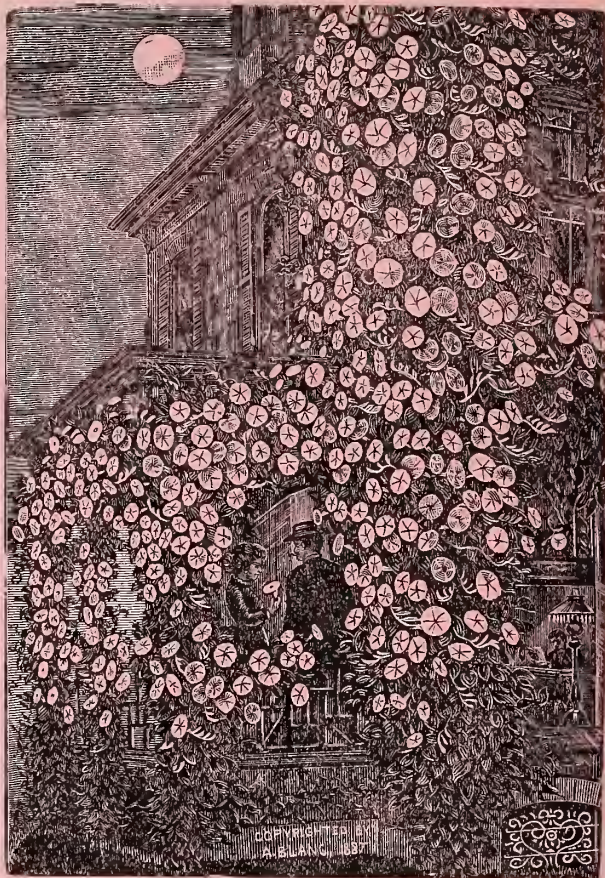
The New Rose is best of all the pink varieties, and is very ornamental for the table with its beautiful rose-colored heart and pink stems.

Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

PLANTING, CULTIVATING, AND STORING CELERY FOR WINTER.

A concise treatise plainly telling the best methods of managing this important vegetable—sent free (if requested) to all who order two or more packets of Celery seed.

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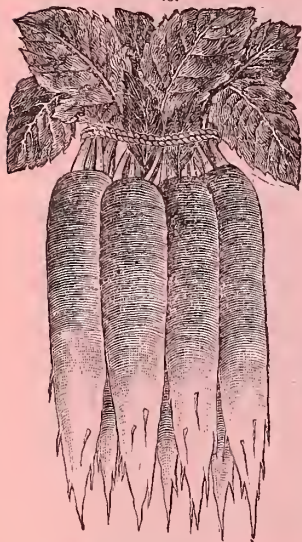


The Moon Flower.

IPOMEA GRANDIFLORA.

This true variety of Moon Flower will bloom from seed the first year. The seed I offer is the largest variety, white-seeded, a rapid grower, and if started early in the house or hot-bed and transplanted, will grow rapidly, attaining the height of 30 feet by Aug. 1st, and will be covered with a great profusion of elegant large white flowers by Sept. 1st. It is called Moon Flower from its peculiarity of blooming only in the evening, night, or early in the morning. It is impossible to describe the beauty of this magnificent climber. It was trained to a balcony, 25 feet wide and 40 feet high, and from August till November was covered nightly and dull days with splendid moon-like flowers, 5 to 6 inches in diameter, with a delightful, rich jessamine odor.

Pkt. 15c. 2 for 25 cts.

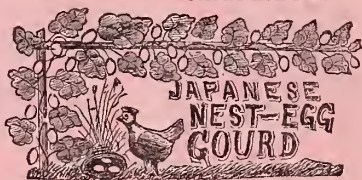


NEW CHARTIER RADISH.

This valuable introduction, is far superior to any long variety now in cultivation. In quality and flavor unsurpassed early, handsome, unusually crisp, tender and juicy; and remains good a long time without running up to seed.

Pkt. 5 cts.

JAPANESE NEST-EGG GOURD.

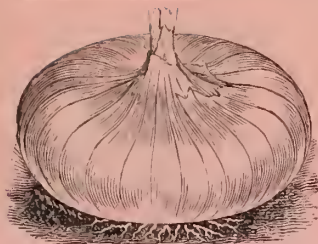


This new and beautiful variety, varies in size from a pigeon's egg up to a goose egg, but mostly the size of hens eggs, and so exactly the color and shape, as to almost deceive the eye. The shells are hard and durable, and make the very best nest-eggs, as they neither freeze or crack. The largest ones, (when sawed into), make excellent pots for starting tomato, strawberry, and other plants.

The Nest-Egg Gourd, is a rapid and desirable climber; quickly covering old sheds or any unsightly object with a mass of green foliage, thickly dotted with beautiful white eggs. Boys you can make lots of money growing this gourd, and selling them to your neighbors, for nest-eggs. pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 c.

GARDEN DOCK.—This rare, distinct, and valuable variety, grows to a gigantic size. It is rich and tender, and of the finest flavor. This is by far the earliest of all greens, being ready for the table fully two weeks before asparagus; and considered by many superior to that popular vegetable. A bed once started, will last many years. pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

COULD YOU not induce one or two of your neighbors to send with you for seeds? By taking advantage of my premiums and discount it will pay you well—and I will be grateful for your kindness.



MAMMOTH SILVER KING ONION.

This new variety grows to a most remarkable size, —often from 15 to 20 inches in circumference, and weighing from 2 to 4 pounds. The flesh is snow white and of a particularly mild and pleasant flavor. The Silver King matures early, and is uniformly of large size, and perfect form: it cannot be too highly recommended, either for family use; for market; or for exhibition at fairs. Pkt. 10 c. 3 for 25 cts.



MAMMOTH SUGAR Corn: The largest eared, and one of the sweetest known: ears weighing from 2 to 3 pounds each: it remains in season a long time. Your garden will be incomplete without this splendid late variety. Pkt. 10 c. pint 25 c. quart 45 cts.

HUNGARIAN HONEY WATERMELON.



This new variety is the richest and sweetest I have ever tasted. Flesh bright red, solid very crisp, and sugary; they ripen exceedingly early, are very productive, and grow of uniform size.

This splendid melon should be included in every

gives universal satisfaction.

Pkt. 10c. 3 25c.

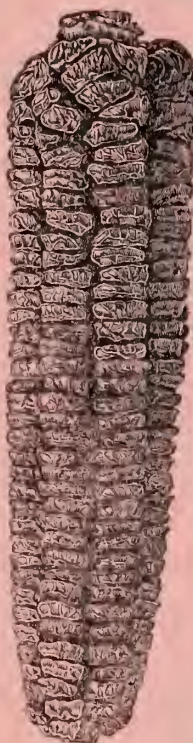


CHUFAS, or Earth Almonds. These very closely resemble in sweetness and richness of flavor, a coconut. They are much grown in the South to fatten swine, poultry, etc. They succeed perfectly at the North: my plants yielding from three to six hundred fine chufas each. They are a rich and healthy food for poultry of all kinds. Directions for planting etc. on each packet. Pkt. 10 cts,



NEW QUEEN LETTUCE.

The illustration correctly shows the magnificent shape of this fine variety. It grows to a large size, forming close, compact heads; does not become bitter and is slow in running to seed. Of quick growth, remarkably tender and crisp, and of rich flavor, remaining for weeks of finest quality. Deep green in color, changing near the centre to a creamy white. Without question the finest lettuce grown. Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25c.



IMPROVED EVERGREEN SUGAR CORN.

This is an early Evergreen coming immediately after the early sorts, and before the mammoth sugar, it is very productive, has large well filled ears, and small cob; very sweet, and sells higher in market than most other corn. Pkt. 10 cts. pint 25 c. quart 45 cts., postpaid.



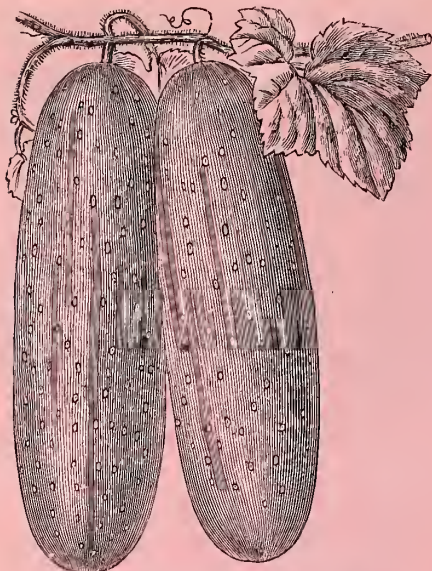
EARLY GREEN CLUSTER CUCUMBER.

One of the best early varieties, growing in clusters of good size, extremely productive, and remains in bearing condition longer than any other early sort. Pkt. 5 cts. 6 for 25 cts.



PEAS:—Bliss' American Wonder, (true seed). Best in quality, immensely productive. I have counted 25 large pods on one vine. Height 10 to 12 inches. Earliest and sweetest wrinkled pea in cultivation; and has met with the unqualified approval of all who have grown it. Pkt. 10 cts. Pint 25 cts. quart 45 cents.

ALWAYS REMEMBER that I pay the postage on everything offered in this Catalog, and guarantee safe delivery to your Postoffice.



NICHOL'S MEDIUM GREEN CUCUMBER.

A new variety; early, exceedingly prolific, growing very uniform, straight and smooth,—dark green in color,—medium in size,—quality the very best. It has already become a standard sort wherever it has been introduced among large pickle growers, market men, and for the family garden. Pkt. 5 cts.



EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD.

This is preeminently the best extra early cabbage in the world; heads of medium size, hard and solid; can be planted close, and is very desirable for early market.

☞ All of my Cabbage seed is the popular "P. S." brand, and will be found very choice,—being raised from the best hard heads, carefully selected.—Every packet is printed with the following trade mark.



Gardeners! plant them this year and you will agree with the verdict that "they are the best in the world"

All varieties of cabbage seed (except Short-Stem,) are 5 cts. per pkt. 25c. per oz. 4 ozs. 75 c. postpaid.



The Station Pea.

I introduce this new variety, believing it will highly please all who are so fortunate as to plant it. It originated I believe, at the New York Ag. Experiment Station, through whose kindness I received a small quantity two years ago. I find it a valuable acquisition, and the **EARLIEST OF ALL** the wrinkled sorts. It is a vigorous grower, and heavy cropper; height about 15 inches; quality very fine. If you wish to luxuriate in delicious peas before your neighbors, you should surely plant this variety. (Pkts. only) Pkt. 15 cts. 4 for 50 c. 9 for \$1.



FOTLER'S IMPROVED BRUNSWICK CABBAGE.

This is the earliest and best of the large hard-heading Drumheads, and combines in a wonderful degree all desirable requisites. The heads are very large, often weighing 20 to 30 pounds each; very hard and firm; it will ripen in 85 days, and is a good keeper; quality very fine. No variety has more rapidly grown in public favor than this. It is a sure header; from each 100 plants set out, at least 98 large heads may be confidently expected. My seed is grown from the original John Fotler's strain and cannot be surpassed. Pkt. 5 cts. oz. 25 c. ¼ lb. 75 cents.

CLUB AGENTS and all others should remember that \$1.00 pays for seeds IN PACKETS to the amount of \$1.50—and that \$2.50 will pay for \$3.75 worth—with PREMIUM BOX of seeds free,—or a TWO YEARS subscription to The FARM JOURNAL. ☞ See page 2.

Hybridized Potato Seed.



SEED BALLS.

I have the pleasure of offering a very choice strain of Potato Seed—the product of numerous hybridizations between many of the best new and old varieties in cultivation. Growing new sorts from the seed-ball seed is a very interesting employment for old or young.

There is the widest range of difference in color, shape and general characteristics between the different seedlings: every one is more or less unlike every other. Great success has already attended the attempt to improve this valuable esculent, and the end is not yet—many varieties will yet be found which will bring a golden harvest to the fortunate growers, and prove of inestimable value to the world.

Price, 25 Cents per Packet, 5 Packets, \$1.00. Full directions for planting, cultivating etc. on each pkt.

Jesse Green, DAYTON, ILL. July 12th. 1889, writes:—Mr. A. T. Cook.—I address you relative to some seedling potatoes raised from your seed. Out of 30 varieties I selected the earliest and best, and planted them at same time, and in same field with Early Ohio, Early Rose, and Beauty of Hebron. They have been from one to two weeks ahead of all these kinds, and are now fully ripe, while the others are still green. They are very productive; and the best eating potato we have. I think I will have 200 bushels.

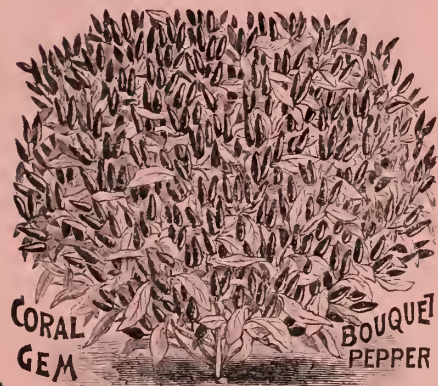
Wm. M. JOHNSON, of Tampico, Ind. writes:—"The packet of Potato-Seed you sent me done well. Some look like the peach-blow,—some are a beautiful pale pink, large and long for a seedling the first year, they are a beauty. Some large white, purple eyes—some round, pale red, 30 to 50 in a hill—some pale blue—some white, flat, and three inches or more long—two hills of black potatoes, &c. &c.

I never saw so many different colors and shapes. If they grow in the same ratio another year, they will be the largest ever raised in this section."

WHITE PLUME. CELERY.

This is one of the best of the so called Self Blanching varieties, as it needs but little-banking up. Its eating qualities are equal to the best of the older sorts, being crisp, solid, and of a pleasing nutty flavor, while its white feather-like foliage places it ahead of all others as a table ornament.

Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

CORAL
GEMBOUQUET
PEPPER

CORAL GEM BOUQUET PEPPER.

Is the finest of the small sized varieties. As grown in pots, for which it is most suitable. It is the prettiest thing out, and delights every lover of the beautiful. Besides its great beauty, it serves the house-keeper in a most convenient way when pods are wanted for seasoning. In the open ground the plant grows to a height of 24 to 30 inches, so densely set with pods as to bend its branches down. With so many desirable qualities it will become the most popular, as well as profitable in the manufacture of pepper sauce. Pkt. 10 cts., 3 for 25 cts.



VEGETABLE PEACH. This unique Novelty, first introduced by me: is one of the most beautiful vegetables grown. They grow on vines same as melons, are a beautiful golden yellow, almost exactly resembling oranges in color, shape, and size. The flesh is snow-white, and makes most excellent, and handsome preserves. Fried as Egg Plant, when green they are delicious, and for "Mangoes," they are so perfectly adapted I know of nothing better. They will keep in good condition two months after being picked from the vines. Very productive, early, and hardy,—have ripened their fruit in Canada—planted in June. I hope no one will fall to try this novelty. I have never grown anything in my gardens that called forth so much interest and admiration. Directions for growing.— use of fruit, etc. on each packet. Packet, 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts.

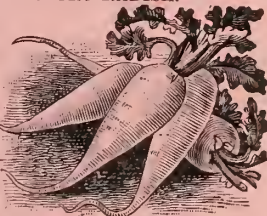
PURPLE HUSK-TOMATO.— This new, and beautiful variety produces fruit in great abundance, from one to two inches in diameter, enveloped with a husk. In sections devoid of fruit, many esteem them highly; a great curiosity. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.



VARIEGATED POP CORN. This new variety first introduced by me, is the HANDSOMEST of all Pop Corns, and every one of my customers should plant it. Ears beautifully variegated, red, white, and blue colors blended. It surpasses all others in yield, earliness, and above all in its mammoth size, and extreme tenderness when popped. A splendid kind for market; sells at fancy prices everywhere. I have grown for this seasons trade a very large crop, and think I can safely promise to fill all orders. Pkt. 15c.

WHITE STRASBURG RADISH.

Suitable alike for private and market gardens. It is of a tapering shape, skin and flesh both pure white. It is an excellent summer variety, being tender, crisp, and of fine flavor, and a quick grower. It possesses the most desirable character of retaining its crispness even when the roots are old and large. Pkt. 5 c.



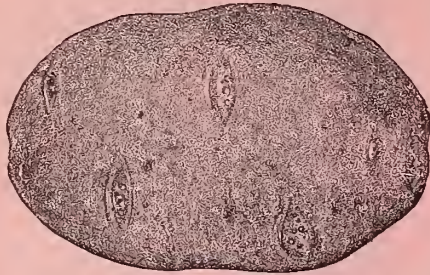
MIXED FLOWER SEEDS.

THIS IS A SUPERB COLLECTION of mixed flower seeds;—over 300 varieties in one large packet. I am putting up a larger variety than ever before, which adds greatly to their value. If carefully sown and cared for will produce an astonishing variety of flowers. No one who has not seen such a bed can form an idea of its dazzling brilliancy or great beauty, the different seasons of bloom, showing something new every day. Pkt. 15 cents; 2 for 25 cts. 10 for \$1.00



TWO SPLENDID POTATOES.

A NEW POTATO,



THE SUMMIT.

An excellent new variety which I have now grown for two seasons with the highest satisfaction; it has proved with me, as elsewhere an enormous yielder; season medium early, tubers uniformly large, oblong, with buff skin, eyes medium and nearly even with the surface, white-fleshed and of superior flavor; vines grow strong and vigorous. It is a good keeper.

The following disinterested testimony is from the Rural New Yorker. "Summit Potato gave the largest yield of any tested on our Experimental farm last season, at the rate of 1210 BUSHELS PER ACRE; white-fleshed dry and mealy"

Price of POTATO EYES by mail.

For \$1.00 I will send 100 strong eyes of either variety.					
\$2.00	"	225	"	"	"
\$3.00	"	350	"	"	"
\$4.00	"	500	"	"	"
\$5.00	"	650	"	"	"
\$10.00	"	1500	"	"	"

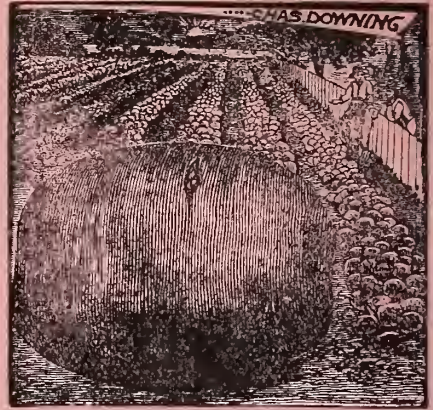
I have received only the most favorable reports from all sections, from sending potato eyes. It is much the best and cheapest way to obtain new varieties. I cut the eyes from large potatoes, leaving a liberal piece of potato with each eye, one eye being sufficient for a large hill. I send them carefully boxed, and postpaid—with full directions for planting.

I am satisfied there is great loss in planting old and run-out varieties, for the potato deteriorates in a few years; many varieties are offered of no special merit. I have made the potato a careful study, growing and testing new varieties every season, and offer only such as I feel sure will give perfect satisfaction.

\$10.00 WORTH OF SEEDS GIVEN AWAY.

I will give \$5.00 worth of seeds—your own selection from my catalogue, to the person who will grow the largest number of pounds of potatoes [either Summit or Chas. Downing,] from 100 eyes purchased of me this season; \$3.00 for second largest yield; and \$2.00 for third largest; all reports to be sent in by Nov. 1st.

I always send 110 eyes for 100, so you will be almost certain to have at least 100 perfect hills. I send full directions for planting and cultivating to best advantage to secure a large yield.



THE CHARLES DOWNING, is undoubtedly the coming early potato for this country: both the New York, and Ohio Experiment Stations prove them to be decidedly the earliest, handsomest, most productive, and finest table quality, of any variety yet tested by them. Reports from all growers who have planted it, are unanimous in its praise. In season, EXTRA EARLY; the N. Y. Station showing them to have matured in less number of days, than any other of the hundreds of sorts planted; and but one other marked "10" (the highest grade in table quality): its average yield is given at 375.1 bushels per acre; the popular Early Sunrise in same test is given at 197.5 bushels, and the Belle, 125.7 bushels.

It is very free from blight and rot; the color is pure white; the form is accurately shown in the above illustration, which was sketched from the potato itself. Whether baked, or boiled, its cooking qualities are faultless; its purity of color; fine floury texture, and delicious flavor being excelled by no other variety.

After growing the Chas. Downing in various soils I can fully confirm all said in its praise. I measured the yield from 100 closely planted hills,—taken just as they run, [one eye planted in the hill,] and the result—notwithstanding the poor season, was four bushels of as nice potatoes as I ever grew. I offer the Downing, with great faith in its destined popularity, and I hope every one of my customers will try it.

All eyes warranted to reach you in good condition for growing. Orders booked as received, and sent soon as the weather will admit: orders from the South, sent any time requested. Friends, in conclusion I will say that ALL ORDERS will receive MY PERSONAL ATTENTION.

and be filled with the utmost promptness and care.

L. REMALEY, Eureka, Mich. Feb. 9, 1889, writes:— We raised two and a half bushels of splendid large C. Downing potatoes from the 100 eyes sent me last year: we are well pleased with them as well as all the other seeds we got from you.

JOHN GRANDY, Bathgate Dakota, writes:— * * * I was more than pleased with your seeds; notwithstanding the extreme dry season all grew, and each variety was true to name. The potato eyes all grew, and with no extra care and a most unfavorable season, I got from a bushel, to a bushel and a half of each variety, (from 50 eyes planted), and nearly all good large tubers.

A. T. COOK. HYDE PARK, DUTCHESS COUNTY, N. Y.