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MY SEEDS

ARE LUCKY SEEDS.

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GARDEN SEEDS

Selected Especially for Critical Buyers.

Crown and for Sale by

A. T. COOK, Hyde Park,
Dutchess Co., N.Y.

All Poor Varieties are Left Out of This Catalog. You Can Pick Out With Your Eyes Shut and Get a Good Thing Every Time.

"We can never be too careful what the seed our hands shall sow:
Love from love is sure to ripen, hate from hate is sure to grow,
In me, by sending heedlessly along our way.
But a glad or grievous frugality waits us at the harvest day."

"Whatever a Man Soweth that Shall He also Reap."

DEAR FRIENDS,—

Over 20 Years in the Seed Business, and I do not know that I have ever had a single dissatisfied customer; a record I am proud of. My Catalog is filled cover to cover with the very best HIGH GRADE, tested seeds, which are sent out with an absolute guarantee that they will give entire satisfaction—for your order will be cheerfully retailed gratis. My Catalog is small, no bulky pages—flimsy and misleading for you to pay for. No big prices charged (for perhaps greatly inferior seeds) to meet the enormous expense of business done in a city. To the many who have been duped by these guilty catalogs, I will say, I put the REAL value INSIDE the packets-serving all HONESTLY, with SELECTED seeds at the lowest possible price.

Please Remember

I am NOT a big city seedsmen whose business is done by disinterested clerks who neither know or care anything whatever about gardening. I have spent my whole life in the business. I PERSONALLY attend to your orders; (I need not tell you how much this is to your interest.) I read your letters, and sympathize with you in all your plans for success. I know that YOUR success is MINE also, and that I cannot AFFORD to have you dissatisfied.

You Will Not Find

in my Catalog "store seeds" of all ages and unreliable quality and vitality. Nor will you find seeds sold from odds and ends and unsalable refuse of crops; (I have any quantity of such trash offered me at one-third or less what my select seed costs to grow; and could sell the trash for 2 cts. or less per packet, but it would be dear at a gift.) but instead YOU WILL FIND only the best, tried and true, honestly raised, by me grown, carefully tested, and warranted to please.

I Thank You

FRIENDS, one and all for your very liberal patronage, and especially for the many kind words so liberally bestowed. I wish I deserved them more. I KNOW that it is my earnest desire to prove myself worthy of the trust reposed in me, by sending out only seeds that will be a source of satisfaction to all.


"There are treats of every kind,
But in all the world you'll find
Naught so good as what you've grown
In a garden of your own."

"Cook's Seeds Grow."

Printed by A. T. COOK.
IMPORTANT! READ EVERY WORD CAREFULLY.

REDUCED PRICES. Never before have I had so large and fine a stock of seeds, and never have I been able to reduce prices so much. My discounts are also better than ever before.

I GUARANTEE every seed you buy from me to grow true to name, and I will replace any that may be lost or injured on the way. I guarantee satisfaction in all I offer, so far as that may be proved otherwise, I will cheerfully refund order for the same gratis—thus I warrant every but the crop, and make the purchase of my seeds by mail the safest investment possible.

WHAT I INTEND TO DO. I furnish the best home-grown seeds at a reasonable price. I furnish large-size, well-filled packets. I add many nice extras.

I DELIVER free to your nearest Postoffice, (or Express Office) everything offered in this Catalog.

REMIT the most convenient way—Postoffice or Express Money Order, Bank Draft, or Registered Letter. I will take the risk by either of these good methods; letters very seldom get lost. You may select extra packets, thus buying several orders at one time and not running the risk of losing any. I make the purchase of my seeds by mail the safest investment possible.

ORDER EARLY. Please send in your orders early as possible—before the rush, while my stock is complete, I will have more time then, and you will be SURE to have the seeds on hand when needed.

IF I SEND you extra Catalogs or Circulars, please hand to friends; and mention it when ordering.

EXTRAS. A liberal number added free to all orders. $25 Order Sheet is in back of Catalog.

SPECIAL NOTICE. If any of my customers have purchased seeds of me that did not give satisfaction, I will kindly mention it to them, and they will be glad to know what I have had that will give results.

A few Extracts from Kind Letters from my Customers.

Your seeds are the best I have ever planted. Della A. McGoogan, St. Pauls, N. C.

I had rather buy your seeds than take others at a gift. Wallis Vance, Ky. No other Seedman has pleased me as well as you. M. E. Shill, Red bluff, Cal.

You have done me an unusual kindness. Frank S. Meek, O. T. I.

Your Gem Collection of Flowers is an immense bargain. F. J. Cabot, Publisher.

I sent you twice as many seeds as I expected. Geo. H. Barnes, Roxobel, N. C.

I have ordered with you for many years, and many others, Mrs. W. E. Wright, Alton, S. C.

I like to trade with you as I believe you belong to Church. W. C. Bickley, Mo.

I have planted your seeds several years. Everybody likes them. Mrs. A. Hasselfield.

The seeds I have ordered this year that gave me excellent results, I have sown your seeds 10 years, and they always please. L. Dead. Wattersaw, Ark.

Your generosity and promptness exceed any I ever dealt with. S. Gifford, Brooklyn.

You sent me on a cats back; Robert had on a cats hand. I got more seeds than I ever did before for the money. Orson Lottor, Bates, Mich.

I have tried many seedmen, but want no others but yours. W. Readill, Ivey, Ga.

I use your seeds every year. I have nearly all my land under it. Virginia M. Anderson, Richmond, Va.

Your packets are much rather than others, and many extra. K. Parman, Brooklyn, Ky.

I have used many seedmen but yours is the best. Mrs. E. Pink, Topeka, K.

Your generosity and promptness exceed any I ever dealt with. S. Gifford, Brooklyn.

You are a great deal better than we buy at the store. Anna Gourdonia, Flambeau, Wis.


I had the finest garden in the land: all my nabalos buy of you. J. R. Davidson, Yanatile, Pa.

We were surprised at the large amount of extras—just what we wanted. N. Nelson, Belington, Va.

Of all the men we ever dealt with, A. T. Cook is the pleasantest and most reliable. Special Crops. You have used your seeds by me every year, and I have never yet failed to get a great variety and many extra. J. N. Wallis, Yanatile, Ala.

I never got anything of you that did not give the very best satisfaction. Mrs. John Young, Cudahy.

100 "eyes" produced 64 bushels of the nicest, smoothest potatoes I ever saw. J. O. Mason, Munn, Iowa.

The Golden Russet has always a order and many others, and I have never had a bushel of potatoes like them. Your seedsmen, N. Webster, N. Y. Flowers were very neat and very beautiful, if more than I anticipated. M. E. Palmer, Me.

I lay all your catalogs down and turn to your Best List; your seals always please. Mrs. G. T. Williams.

I come back to you for seed, and now I hope there will be a "peace at home." J. K. Ellis, Fannin, Mississippi.

Money Can Be Made Easily and Rapidly.

Anyone can make good wages selling my Seeds. Almost everybody wants seeds, and all your friends and nabobs will buy them of some one anyway, and you can have their trade, and the profits, just as well as any one else.

You will kill two birds with one stone. Many Lady friends can either sell Mary Ladd's seeds, or sell my own, "pin money" and he is a grand chance. Many people send me large orders every year, and you can do as well. You have no idea how easy and how profitable it is to work for people who are absolute strangers. Big wages, Big Territories, and Girls who persevere always do well and not only earn money fast, but what is even better, learn valuable business lessons. Now I want my seeds introduced in your vicinity and you can make money helping me, so please spread the word catalog, and send in a few same packets. If you are successful, you may get all of your orders at once and take orders. You are not expected to see how easily you can get up a club; nearly everyone will order a few packets at least, and many will be glad to give you large orders, and almost before you know it, you will have a large business, and will be just as proud as any one else.

I hope you can sell them many large clubs, but get up a club anyway—no matter how small. My packets are so neat, so large, and well filled, and with all my price so low that your success must be sure. Remember to sell them my seeds and very profitable, and have all orders promptly—deliver everything prepaid, and guarantee entire satisfaction. Tell this to your customers, and read them some of the testimonials above and you will get them interested. Two-half of a lot of these officers only. For your seeds are objectionable to everyone; also for discount on seeds by weight and measure. I cannot of course give much more, but orders for these will be generally larger, and your profits will count up fast. My Cinnamon and Ruby are getting so good, I cannot supply you with as many as you want, and you have a right to think that my Father did not have the time to be almost sure of an order, you can therefore sell them the money on these also if you sell a fair quantity. See last pages of cover. Indeed there is a good demand everywhere for all my seeds, and you can surely do well if you try and I hope you will. I will send more catalogs for distribution, order sheets, etc., and all I can do to help you, and not only for good gardeners.

Wishing you much success, I am Kindly Yours, A. T. COOK.
Specialties, Novelties, and Improved Varieties.

The following pages contain the cream (no skimmed milk) of all the varieties known to the American Seed Trade. They have been mostly grown and fully tested by me—as well as the most critical gardeners in all sections, and found to possess great value and merit.

I do not indulge in extravagant illustrations and descriptions, but desire my catalog to be plain and truthful; and have an honest ring to it that my kind customers may not be deceived.

A. I. ROOT, Publisher of Gleanings in Bee Culture, Sept. 1896, says:—The coffee-berry is a success, and preferable to the real coffee, because I think it more healthful. I want to plant a good many next season.

J. J. H. Gregory, of Mass.—It is a fact as we find by actual test, that it tastes so nearly like Brazilian coffee, the difference is scarcely perceptible. It is certainly the best of all substitutes—nothing injurious about it; is the most nutritious of all vegetables products: it can be raised almost anywhere where corn will mature.

EXTRA EARLY CRACKER ONION.

It would be hard to estimate the great value of this new acquisition. All gardeners who have grown it have realized large profits owing to their extraordinary earliness. None can approach it. They are enormous croppers of handsome flat red bulbs of fine quality. All onion growers should plant it.

Packet 10 cts.; 3 for 25 cts.

PRIZETAKER ONION.

The very best of the huge foreign varieties, and has already gained great popularity here. Universally endorsed as the largest, handsomest, finest flavored, and most superior Mammoth yellow globe onion ever introduced. There is more money in them than in any other variety for the yield with HIGH CULTURE will be something. Immense, and the crop sure to bring twice as much as other sorts. They are mild in flavor, and good keepers. Single specimens have weighed over 5 lbs., and 1,000 bushels have often been grown on a single acre. YOU surely should grow this King of all Onions. Pkt. 10c.

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 order as it gives universal satisfaction.

Pkt. 5 cts.
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.

FLOVERS.
"God might have made the earth bring
Enough for great and small, if Soth
The oak trees and the cedar tree.
Without a flower at all.
He might have made enough, enough
For every want of ours.
For industry, medicine, and till,
And yet have made no flowe r, bx.
On our outward life requires them not,
Then wheresore had they birth?
To minister to light and joy.
To beautify the earth!
To comfort man—to whisper hope
Wherever he may go.
For he who can't for the flowers
Will care n u m more for him!

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. $0.25 c.qt. 40 cts.

DRUMHEAD SAVOY CABBAGE.
Few are aware HOW EXCELLENT are the Savoy Cabbages. They are of much finer flavor and quality than the best of other sorts. Every family should grow some for their own use. The Drumhead I offer is the best of its class, and is aptly called "Perfection." The heads are large, finely curled, very compact, and of most superior flavor. It is an excellent winter keeper. My strain of seed is unusually choice and far superior to the imported, which I could furnish for half my prices.
Pkt. 5 cts.

MAMMOTH RHUBARB, OR PIE-PLANT.
Its stalks are much used for pies, tarts, etc. Every garden should have an ample supply of this excellent appetizer and healthful vegetable. This variety is far superior to the common sorts, and produces immense stalks very early in the spring. It has a rich, spicy flavor and is without doubt the finest variety in existence. Rhubarb is one of the easiest culture and commands a ready sale in all markets at go prices—compounding when fruit and vegetables are scarce. Packet 5 cts.

CARROT. New Oxford. This carrot comes from France, and is a decided advance in shape, and is easily harvested; 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. 6 cts.

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

MAMMOTH MELTING SUGAR PEAS.
Rightly named. Cook same as string beans—pois and all. A dish fit for a king. This new variety is far superior to all other sugar peas—in both size and delicious quality. Five feet high, bearing peas in the greatest profusion. Every garden should have a liberal supply. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for $0.25.

MONEY.
Every person who receives our Catalog should avail himself of the opportunities to make money.

SUGAR TROUGHS.
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. 5 cts. 6 for $0.25.

THE FAXON SQUASH.
This new and distinct variety is very early, of medium size, unusually productive and of the best possible quality. They cook dry, sweet and rich whether ripe or green—are an excellent keeper, thus supplying the table with this delicacy during three seasons—summer, fall, and winter. Some squashes are pale yellow, while others are green, mottled, etc., in fact it is a curious admixture of many sizes, shapes and colors. This is a characteristic of the squash. The flesh is deep orange, cavity small. It is sweet and very dry, and nothing excels it for pies.
I am sure my customers will thank me for advising them to give it a trial. Packet 10 cts. 3 for $0.25.
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BONNET, OR

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 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 cts.

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 lbs. The flesh is snow white, of a particularly mild and pleasant flavor. The Silver King matures early, and is of perfect form. It should be in every family and market garden.

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, who 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 matted, 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.” I only offer it in packets. Pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 7 for 50 cts. 15 for $1.00.

S. E. Gwynn, Mt. Jda. Fayette Co. W. Va. writes:—From 6 vines of the Prolific Beans I sold 8 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. 22d, writes:—I raised 1800 Powell’s Prolific beans on one vine; which was the greatest yield I ever saw.

Mrs. G. E. Lissford, Hazzard, S. C. writes—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 beans I ever saw grow, and I cannot command words to express the true value of such a garden treasure.

POWELL’S PROLIFIC POLE BEAN.

A SINGLE PICKING FROM ONE VINE.

1 BUSHEL.
NEW PALMETTO ASPARAGUS.

This new variety is the finest ever cultivated in this country. After six years trial in nearly all sections, it is pronounced by all to be far in advance of others. Growing side by side with Conover's Colossal, under exactly the same treatment, the Palmetto proves to be at least a week earlier, the stalks are heavier, thicker, and of finer flavor. It is remarkably tender, rich and buttery when cooked, and very free from any tough or woody fiber. Every family should have a supply of this healthful and delicious vegetable, and I am sure all would, if it were known how easily and quickly it can be grown.

My seed, is genuine "Palmetto," and if well planted and cared for, will produce larger and finer asparagus at two years of age, than other varieties at five. Cultural directions on every packet. Large pkt. 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

NEW AUTUMN KING CABBAGE.

(OR WORLD BEATLE.)

This peerless variety, I say without hesitation is one of the finest in this country to-day—entirely distinct and the best keeper. It produces enormous solid heads and has such small outer leaves that it can be relied upon to produce a greater weight of crop per acre than any other variety at all good heads. Its peculiarly handsome, crimped leaves enables it to be distinguished anywhere. It is one of the grandest of winter varieties, and is decidedly the best mammoth cabbage in existence.

All seed grown from headquarters stock and very carefully selected from extra solid heads, pure and true. (Remember cheap cabbage seed is always dear.) Packet 10 cts; 3 for 25 cts.

STRAWBERRY TOMATO.—I am headquaters for the true strawberry tomato, [Golden Husk, or Ground Cherry] seed.

This delicious 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 wherever fruit is scarce or likely to fail.

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

THELY A GIANT ASPARAGUS.—A bunch of the Palmetto Asparagus grown by Robert Nichols, a Philadelphia gardener, beats anything of the sort ever heard of. The bunch, composed of about fifty shoots, weighed 91 pounds. It was a growth of only three days. —Ed. American Garden.

JACKSON WONDER BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Here is "something new under the sun." A wonder indeed. The seeds have been sold for $1.00 per dozen. It is a combination snap and Lima (or butter) bean, grows about two feet high, and is immensely productive—7 quarts having been grown from 25 seeds. When the pods are young they make excellent snap beans, and later are shelled and used same as other limas. Their flavor is very rich and delicious. They are early, and continue in bearing until frost. None but favorable reports have been received.
Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts.

GIANT SUMMER CROOKNECK SQUASH.

This new strain is even earlier than the common variety, while the squashes grow to an extra large size—from 15 inches to two feet long, and of finest quality. They command an extra price in all markets. One grower reports $125.00 worth sold from one-fourth an acre. Packet 5 cts.

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 my customers.

IF PEOPLE ONLY KNEW the GREAT SUPERIORITY of high grade seeds—the many mushroom firms with their "wild cat" stock would quickly go out of existence.

BOYS and GIRLS and even grown people can make good wages selling my seeds. See the liberal discounts I offer on page 12. Catalogs, Order Sheets, etc., free.
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 10 inches to 5 feet long, are very productive, with deep yellow flesh, by many preferred to any other variety, and a great curiosity.

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 slipper, 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.

New Red Bird Tomato.

This new variety has never been introduced. It is one of the earliest and most productive ever seen. It is of good size, for such an extreme variety. It sets freely, 3 to 6 to a bunch, handsome, uniform, bright red fruits, of very pleasant and strong flavor. It is very vigorous and strong grower, fruit about 8 inches in diameter, smooth as an apple, and of very superior quality. Its productivity is really wonderful, this with its extraordinary earliness will make it a joy to the growers heart. I am proud to introduce a tomato of so great value. Every home and market gardener should plant it.

G. Parmele, Honr., N. Y. writes— I always send to you for seeds because they are reliable. I have sent up several clubs. The "Cinnamon Vine is a thing of beauty" every summer.

W. H. Brunston, Peru, Neb. writes—This is the year I have sent to you for seeds and always had good luck.

PLANT THOROUGHBRED Potatoes this year and sell your surplus to your neighbors for seed; there will be a Big demand for it. See last page.

IMPROVED PURPLE-TOP YELLOW RUTA-BAGA.

This variety cannot be too highly recommended and so sort will produce such handsome well-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.

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 FRIZETAKERS. Heads measure from 13 to 22 inches in diameter, loaded with seed, which is excellent food for horses, a small quantity fed daily, keeping them sleek, glossy and fat. It is the VERY BEST EGG-PRODUCINGى Good known for poultry; they eat it greedily, frozen upon it, and it gives them a bright and lustrous plumage.

Large packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

Pop Corn Growing.

Of course the Boys and Girls must have pop-corn. They like it so well, it is so healthful, and they get such an amount of fun out of it during the long winter evenings that no family should neglect raising all that may be wanted. My varieties are so easily grown and produces such immense crops make thern VERY PROFITABLE to grow for market. It always brings good prices. This is well worth looking after by boys as well as older people. try a large patch this year and report results.

S. G. CAMPBELL Tappan Ohio writes—Last Spring I got three packets of Pop Corn from you; and I raised 3½ bushels, sold 2½ bushels for $1.75 have ¾ bu. to sell yet, and enough left for winter.
TENNESSEE SWEET POTATO PUMPKIN.

Of medium size, pear shaped, flesh thick, creamy white, fine grained, dry, and of most excellent flavor. Hardy, productive, a good keeper. A superior variety for pies and cooking. Pkt. 5 cts.

JAPANESE CLIMBING CUCUMBER.
The vines of this new cucumber are extra strong and vigorous, and great climbers—producing a surprising amount of fruit on fences, trellises, etc., thus saving valuable space. They are large size, nice green color, and fine for pickling and slicing. Vines and fruit being elevated do not suffer from wet weather and insects. I am sure all will be pleased with it. Pkt. 10c.

TRY your hand at raising seedling potatoes, you will find it very interesting, and may grow a new variety worth a fortune. My Hybridized seed is very choice and I offer it this season at much lower rates than ever before. See page 18.

NEW PROLIFIC TREE BEAN. A new and valuable variety, and by far the most prolific dwarf 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 wide and 15 inches apart in the row, one bean in the hill. Do not crowd them. 4 quarts will plant one acre. They are of fine flavor. Packet. 10 cents.

New White Wonder Cucumber.
This magnificent new variety is of most delicious flavor. The cucumbers are thickly set throughout the length of the vine and are uniform in color, shape and size; they average about eight inches long by two to two and a half inches through the skin is thin, while the pearly-white flesh is exquisitely fine in quality, quite brittle, and remains solid for a long time. The color is always very white. Of unusual hardiness and a sure cropper. It gives great satisfaction. Pkt. 10c.

"From 8 Hills of your White Wonder Cucumber I have gathered 100 pounds; some given away." —R. Hayward, Campello, Mass.

MY LIST of Vegetable and Flower Seeds contains the cream of everything worth planting.

THE BEAUTIFUL CINNAMON VINE.
You should surely order a liberal number of the Cinnamon Vines. They are very easily grown, and once planted will last a lifetime. Your arbor, window and veranda will all be incomplete without this charming climber. There is nothing will give a home a more homelike and deep appearance, or be a surer index of refinement and culture than Beautiful Vines twining about the porch and trellises. 25c. See page 21 for prices.

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 mangos each. Pkt. 5 cts.

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 earleist 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.

THE BEAUTIFUL SWEET POTATO PUMPKIN.
Without doubt the crowning triumph in potato culture, and the greatest Money Maker of them all. Do not delay in getting a start in this great potato. Plant them this year. You surely cannot afford to grow old run out varieties that produce but half a crop, or less. Every dollar invested in the Thoroughbred is sure to make a big return.

EMERALD GEM MUSK MELON.
This variety possesses many fine qualities. It is prolific and the flesh is salmon color, very thick, of a rich delicious flavor. It is promptly grown and the sweetest, as well as the earliest small muskmelons grown. Pkt. 5 cts.

TIROUGHRED POTATO.
Without doubt the crowning triumph in potato culture, and the greatest Money Maker of them all. Do not delay in getting a start in this great potato. Plant them this year. You surely cannot afford to grow old run out varieties that produce but half a crop, or less. Every dollar invested in the Thoroughbred is sure to make a big return.

Selected 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 finest and 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. Be Sure and read my great offer—"Imperial Giant Pansy Collection"—on page 18.

EXTRA GRATIS. Thousands of packets put up, and awaiting my customers orders. These are mostly CHOICE NEW SEEDS with some good old stand-bys of my own selection. A liberal number of these valuable seeds will be added to every order.
NEw SHORT-STEM DRUMHEAD CABBAGE.

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 aster 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. 250 cts.

SPECIAL TO CABBAGE GROWERS.

ALL of my cabbage seed is grown from Extra Selected, Solid, Perfect Heads, pure and true. This seed actually costs THREE TIMES as much to grow as that I could buy in the open market, but I am a practical Gardener myself and know the importance of HIGH GRADE seeds of all kinds—especially of cabbage, and intend to offer nothing but the best that can be produced.

Extra Early Beet.

After a careful trial for several 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 old early sorts. Well friends this variety does that 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. 10c: 3 for 25, 7 for 50 cts. 15 for $1.60.

VARIEGATED POP CORN. (Cut one-half natural size.)

Never before has such an attractive Pop Corn been offered as this superb variety. Introduced by me, indeed the ears are so handsome they are often used for parlor ornaments. It is very early, immensely productive, (8 to 9 ears on a stalk,) a splendid popper, bursting out very large, white as snow; tender, and delicious. The ears are of good size and beautifully variegated, red, white, and blue colors blended. It is without question the handsomest Pop Corn ever seen and will be sure to secure prizes at your Fair. Boys and Girls, as well as older ones, can get a nice income growing this corn for market as it sells at fancy prices.

Packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 1 for 50 cts. pint, 50 cts.
ICE PLANT. (ESENBERYANTHEMUM.)

A handsome and very curious plant, for hanging baskets, rock-work, vases, and for house plants; also fine for beds, edgings, etc. The leaves and stems appear as though covered with icy crystals that look peculiarly brilliant and glistening in the sunlight. It is a plant that is always admired. The flowers are white. Pkt. 5 cts.

Cut shows the attractive appearance of Ice Plant in Pot Culture.

LARGE RED WETHERSFIELD ONION.

A time honored variety. Immense crops are annually grown for shipment. It is everywhere a large yielde 6 of fine, handsome, large onions, that find a ready sale in all markets. My seed is unsurpassed, and is grown from best selected bulbs. Beware of cheap onion seed that is often raised from scalions and unsalable rubbish. Packet 5 cents.

New Golden Honey Watermelon.

A novelty of extraordinary merit, without doubt the best watermelon ever placed before the American public. It is a very early melon. The flesh is of a deep rich golden color, and in delicious sweetness, and exquisite quality, reminds one of honey. In a crop of 20 acres grown especially for seed every melon was juicy, melting and delicious. It is of large size enormously productive, flesh firm, solid and luscious beyond description. Many who fail in growing other melons can succeed with this. Pkt. 25c. 3 for 50 cts.

From C. L. Newcomb, Bridgeton, Md. I was surprised and delighted at the large quantity of seeds, and they came the quickest of anything I ever ordered from same distance in my life.

From Seward Beard, Economy, Ind. We have used thy seeds for three or four years and will say that we never dealt with any seedman that sent out such good seed, so neatly packed, and in such liberal quantity.

CORAL GEM BOUQUET PEPPER.

Is the finest of the small varieties. It is the prettiest thing out when grown in pots, and delightful every lover of the beautiful. Be des its great beauty, it serves the housekeeper in a most convenient way when pods are wanted for seasoning. In the ground plant grows to a height of 24 to 30 inches, so densely set with pods as to bend its branches down. It is the best of all for pepper sauce. Pkt. 10 cts. $ for 25 cts.

Cook's "Perfection" Parsnip.

Rightly named, and without doubt the finest strain of Parsnip that can be produced. It is a wonderful improvement on the old sorts, and no one desiring the best should fail to grow it.

The roots are very smooth and handsome; tender, sugary, fine-grained and of best excellent quality. Customers are unanimous in praising it.

This is truly a delicious vegetable, and all who do not like the old poorer sorts are recommended to try this. It produces enormous crops; and the short, thick roots are easily gathered. It is without question the best for home use, market, or exhibition purposes. Large packet 10 cts. 3 for 25 cts. 1b. 75 cts.

POP CORN.—Cook's Improved Egyptian. I have been experimenting this corn, for many years, and now offer a strain of seed that cannot be surpassed. Every one who keeps poultry, should raise a supply for feeding chickens, nothing can be better. I send out only EXTRA SELECTED seed. Pkt. 10 cts. $ for 25 cts.

MARKET GARDENER'S BEET

Undoubtedly one of the best novelties ever offered, and it receives much praise from my customers. Its shape is well shown by the accompanying engraving. It is very symmetrical with small tap root and unbranching side roots. One sowing only is necessary to produce early beets for market and main crop for winter use, which is not the case with any other variety. By the first of October they measure six inches in diameter and average four pounds in weight. Color deep blood red; nice grained and unsurpassed in quality. Sowing it all up, we find it a good beet for early market, and the best beet for winter use. Owning to the small tops, and the peculiar shape of the root it is one of the most profitable beets for the market gardener, and family garden. Pkt. 5 cts.
HENDERSON’S NEW BUSH LIMA BEAN.

Think of raising Limas without poles! They grow 18 inches high, in a compact bush form, and produce enormous crops of delicious Lima Beans; (a single plant has produced 50 pods.) The beans are the size of the Sierra or small Lima, and of delicious quality. It is two weeks earlier than the common Lima.
Pkt. 10¢. 3 for 25 cents.

THE EARLIEST TOMATO IN THE WORLD

IGNOTUM TOMATO.

All should plant the new Ignotum Tomato. A “priceless paragon” in the Tomato line; the earliest, most solid and valuable large Tomato ever introduced. It will wipe out fifty old sorts at a sweep. Why grow a poor sort when you can have such a variety as this? My stock seed came from Fountainhead, (Cornell Agricultural College.) Seeds are few in the fruits, and necessarily expensive. Pkt. 10¢.

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.

EXTRA EARLY PURPLE TOP MILAN TURNS.

The earliest in cultivation. It is fully one week earlier than any other sort and of superior quality. The bulb is flat, medium size, smooth, with a bright purple top; leaves few. The pure white flesh is of the choicest quality, hard, solid, and fine grained. A good keeper.
Pkt. 10 cents.

GOLDEN TANKARD MANGEL-WURZEL BEET.

This is decidedly the finest mangel in cultivation; the flesh rich golden yellow, exceedingly nutritious. It is early, hardy, and a very heavy cropper. The Golden Tankard has quickly taken the lead of other varieties. It contains a large percentage of sugar and is much relished by milch cows and sheep. It is one of the best of keepers. Farmers should give root crops more attention. The wonderful results are plainly seen in the health and condition of the animals, and in the increased yield of milk and butter in cows. Six pounds of seed will plant an acre, and the yield should be from 1500 to 2000 bushels.
Packet 5 cents; lb. 40 cents.

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 attractive white velvet appearance. Of superior flavor and tenderness. The young pods are nice for soups, stews, etc., and also much liked when pickled. The pods are extra large, and very abundant.
Packet 10 cents; 3 for 25 cents.

CLUB AGENTS and all others should remember that $1.00 pays for seeds IN PACKETS to the amount of $1.50—and that $2.00 buys $3.25 worth—$4.00 buys $7.50 worth—and $10.00 buys $20.00 worth. Bear in mind I send everything in boxes prepaid, and guarantee safe arrival—no matter whether you live in Maine, Florida or California.
Experience gained in over twenty years in practical gardening and seed growing qualifies me to make the VERY BEST selections. This is far better than a long and bewildering list containing so many poor sorts, some not even worth planting. I KNOW what seeds are wanted by the most skillful planters, and I have them. I OFFER everything essential for an up-to-date, profitable garden. My seeds have made thousands of friends. Send me an order, no matter how small, and then you will receive my catalog next year without writing for it.

*Be sure and keep a copy of your order.*

Order Sheet is in the back of Catalog.

MY GREAT DISCOUNTS ON SEEDS.

It takes but little more time and trouble to pack up and send a large order than a small one; the postage is also much less in proportion. For this reason, and also to encourage Club-Agents to help me extend my trade; I make the following extremely liberal discounts.

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and made at same rate—just one-half price.

A great chance for all of my customers.

### Discount on Bulk Seeds.

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A grand chance for customers, and Club-Agents who wish to make money.

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A Great Offer

I GIVE the popular 50 cent. "Farm Journal," (the greatest of all agricultural papers) and take the lead in this country and the world; ONE YEAR FREE for a $1.00 order for packets—if no other premium or discount is taken.

The Illustrated "Home Magazine" of Washington D. C. (the Queen of Ladies Magazines; bright, original and most entertaining to the whole family;) ONE YEAR FREE for a $1.50 order for packets; no other premium or discount is taken. (My free Extras are always added.)

### BOTH

of the above Journals free for a $2.00 order. Be sure and mention it if you want them.

All who send me their orders are my friends, and I mean to treat them as such.

Friends, YOU have my bottom prices here. No one has—or can get better terms.

I make few ounce prices, as my regular packets are so large it would be no object.

Directions for planting, etc. on every packet. Three 10 ct. pkts. furnished for 25 c.

If desired, you may send amount you wish, and I will select for you and do best I can.

Everything securely boxed and sent prepaid at prices given. Safe arrival guaranteed.

Extras—a LIBERAL number of new and choice Vegetables and Flowers added to orders.

Don't ask for Tobacco seed: I do not believe it right to grow the vile stuff, to sell, or use it.

I mean to TRY HARD to keep every customer from year to year and have all doubly pleased.

My packets average LARGER than big City Seedmen's. I have compared them and I know it.

### BEANS (Dwarf).

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### CARROTS.

### MY CABBAGE SEED is very cheap, and is all home-grown from Extra Selected, Solid Perfect Heads, pure and true. \( \text{and I can purchase seed for } \frac{1}{2} \text{ what mine costs to grow; but the BEST is none too good for my customers.} \)

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### COL. PRESERVING Citron. & CR. Pepperrass.

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EGG-PLANT.  

Imp’d N. Y. Purple, oz. 30 10 100

GOURDS.  

| Sugar Trough | 5 | 55 |
| Dipper. Very useful | 5 | 50 |
| Benrom or Dish Cloth | 10 | 80 |
| Japanese Nest Egg | 10 | 65 |

KOHL RABI. Early Vienna, 5 60 1 60

LETTUCE.  

| Early Prize Head | 5 | 30 | 90 |
| California Cream Butter | 10 | 40 | 1 10 |

MUSTARD. White French, 5 10 35

MUSK-MELON.  

| Emerald Gem | 5 | 20 | 60 |
| New Banana | 5 | 25 | 70 |
| Miller Cream | 10 | 25 | 75 |
| Winter Pineapple,—New, | 10 | 35 | 1 00 |
| Shumway’s New Giant | 10 | 25 | 75 |

WATER-MELON.  

Early Peersless, 5 15 55
| Hungarian Honey, (early,) | 5 | 20 | 65 |
| Christmas | 5 | 25 | 70 |
| Monte Cristo, (A treasure,) | 10 | 40 | 1 00 |
| Semihole | 10 | 25 | 75 |
| New Golden Honey | 20 | 65 |
| OKA White Velvet | 5 | 25 | 60 |

ONION.  

GOOD ONION SEED is of the utmost importance and poor seed is always dear, even at a gift. My seed is home grown—from choice selected bulbs of VERY SUPERIOR quality. There is much money in onions well managed. Onion seed crop is short—order early. Beware of cheap seed. Never before was there so much trash offered.  

| Yellow Globe Danvers, oz. 20c. | 5 | 45 | 1 60 |
| Large Red Wethersfield | 20 | 50 | 1 70 |
| Golden Oregon, (Extra) | 25 | 10 | 50 | 1 90 |
| Mammoth Silver King | 25 | 5 | 55 | 1 85 |
| Prizetaker, (A wonder,) | 30 | 10 | 65 | 2 20 |
| Ex. Early Red Cracker | 25 | 10 | 60 | 1 95 |

PARSNIP.  

Large Sugar, Hollow Crown, 5 15 50
| Cook’s Perfection | 10 | 25 | 75 |

PARSLEY. Extra Fine Curled, 5 25 65

PEPPER.  

New Golden Dawn, oz. 25 | 5 | 70 |
| Ruby King, oz. 25 | 5 | 70 |
| Coral Gem Bouquet, oz. 40 | 10 | 1 00 |

PUMPKIN.  

Early Sugar, 5 20 60
| Tennessee Sweet Potato | 5 | 25 | 70 |
| King of the Mountains, | 10 | 40 | 1 10 |

RADISH.  

Early Scarlet Turnip, 5 20 55
| New Charter | 5 | 20 | 60 |
| White Strasbourg | 5 | 25 | 65 |
| New Rose-Brown (Earliest,) | 10 | 35 | 2 75 |
| Chinese Rose Winter | 5 | 25 | 65 |

RHUBARB. (Pie Plant), 5 40 1 20

SALSIFY, (Vegetable Oyster, Mammoth Sandwich Island, 5 35 1 10

SPINACH. Long Standing, 5 15 35

SQUASH.  

| Giant Summer Crookneck | 5 | 25 | 65 |
| Perfect Gem | 5 | 20 | 60 |
| Improved Hubbard | 5 | 25 | 70 |
| New Paxon, (Best of all,) | 10 | 30 | 85 |

TOMATO.  

Livingston’s Beauty, oz. 20 | 5 | 60 | 1 90 |
| Dwarf Champion, oz. 25 | 5 | 70 | 2 10 |
| Golden Queen, oz. 25 | 5 | 70 | 2 25 |
| Iguana [new], oz. 30 | 10 | 80 | 2 50 |
| New Tree Tomato, oz. 10 | 10 | 90 |
| Early Red Bird, oz. 35 | 10 | 90 |
| 10 Small Pickling Varieties | 5 | 70 |

STRAWBERRY TOMATO or Golden Husk, oz. 30 10 80 2 25

TURNIP.  

| White Egg | 5 | 20 | 55 |
| Yellow Aberdeen | 5 | 20 | 50 |
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No one should fail to plant a packet of these

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From E. A. Goodspeed, Shamrock, N. Y. Aug. 31st. 1896. I have got a grand seedling potato from your seed, and have raised 400 bushes. A prominent seedling wants him as well as to buy me out. I have six more seedlings that are more than good.

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Extra Long Green Giant Cucumber. A veritable giant among cucumbers, and merits the highest praise. Enormously large and handsome, many specimens growing from 38 to 50 inches or more in length. It is a very strong grower, fruit straight, smooth, uniform and produced in great abundance. It has few seeds, quality excellent, firm and tender, very fine pickling variety, and unexcelled for slicing. Every one should grow this remarkable novelty. No variety will equal it for excellence, it will be a wonder to you and all beholders.

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CHUFAS, OR EARTH ALMONDS.

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LARGE DOUBLE, MIXED COLORS.

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Pkt. 5 cts.

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ASPARAGUS.

Copyright 1896. Your Varigated Pop Corn yielded a heavy crop of mature ears of fair size. As its name implies the kernels are of various colors giving it an attractive appearance.


TOMATOES.

10 Small Varieties.

This packet contains the New Zealand Fig, red and yellow Plum, Pear, Grape or Cherry, Currant, N. H. Sweet, Victoria, Wonder of Italy, White, and other choice varieties useful for pickling, preserving, and making tomato pies, etc. These are the finest small varieties in cultivation.

Pkt. 5 cts.
LARGE GOLDEN OREGON ONION.
UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED BY ALL
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1087 BUSHELS ON ONE ACRE.
SUREST GROWER OF THEM ALL.
THE VERY BEST OF LONG KEEPERS.
SELECTED SEED—HIGHEST GRADE.
A SURE MONEY MAKER.

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Beautiful Watch Given Away.
FOR A VERY FEW HOURS WORK.

I give this reliable watch with handsome chain absolutely free and prepaid for a $3.00 order for anything in my catalog—(one-half amount at least must be for packets.) As this superb watch takes the place of all other premiums and discounts—everything must be remitted for at FULL LIST RATES. I have given away hundreds of these watches, and never found a premium so popular—or that has given such wonderful satisfaction; everybody wonders how I can do it.

Fancy Case. A Perfect Timekeeper.

This is a marvelous chance to secure a very handsome, durable watch, one that you will be proud of. I make this great offer solely to introduce my seeds.

The Mechanical Wonder of the Age.

Is American make, stem-wind, heavy crystal, dust-proof case,never movement, fully timed and regulated. Beautifully engraved, nickle finished, and will wear and look as well as silver.

Absolutely Guaranteed.

I could offer much cheaper watches, but I will not send out anything that will not be a credit to me and my business; my sole object being to gain new customers and friends. For this reason and by purchasing watches in immense quantities, and paying cash, I can make this great offer. I give 2 watches for a $6.00 order etc.) The seeds and watch will be securely boxed, and sent promptly by Express or mail prepaid to your nearest office, (Express preferred.) Safe arrival and satisfaction guaranteed. This watch is a special offer. Be sure and say you want it. Write for more Catalogs etc., if you need them. It is VERY EASY to take orders. You have no idea how quickly you will get $3.00 worth of onions. Your friends and nabors will help you. They all want seeds, and will give you their order if you ask them. Do not delay, begin at once and may good luck be with you.

READ THESE TESTIMONIALS.

"I was greatly surprised with the watch. I don't see how you can give such a nice one. It keeps time to the minute. The number of extra astonished me." H. H. Whitney, Conn.

"Watch is a beauty. Thanks for extras." J. F. Zenor, Ind.

"The watches were all I could expect. They keep good time. I got the club in 6 hrs." R. F. Campbell, Middletown, Ind. I am ever so much pleased with the watch and chain. I was offered $3.00 for them. The extras were just grand. All we pleased with the seeds, and tho' the packets were large, I will start out another next year. Miss Floss Van Bushe, Conn.

"The watch is better than I expected." A. P. Bray, Miss.

"I was only 4 hrs. getting the club, for a R. R. Henry, Pa.

"Seed and watch received. I am more than satisfied. Several if my friends will set up clubs for watches." Frank Bateman.

"Filled my watches very much. I gave one to a friend and he kept good time. Is very pleasant to get clubs." S. G. Miller.

"Am well pleased with the watch and chain. I receive $3.00 order for another." Minerva Van Horn, Lake View O.

"The watch is a beauty, and way ahead of my expectations. It keeps time with Fathers $40.00 watch." C. M. Shaw, Kansas City, Mo.

Special to Girls and Boys.
A GREAT PUZZLE.

I will send a nice large 16 cent packet of Choice Mixed Flower Seeds (over 300 beautiful varieties) free, to any Girl or Boy under 16 years, who will read the following Trade Mark correctly. Please try your best.

EACH answer MUST be accompanied by an order for at least 25 cents worth of seeds for themselves or friends. Answer, name, and address, should be in their own handwriting, and on a separate paper—written with ink. This is a STANDING OFFER, good all the time. Be sure and show it to all your bright young friends and schoolmates and let them try also. E. Don't cut out.
Tear off at dotted line on the left, and use in ordering. Read the following remarks carefully.

I particularly request that you send your orders early—before the rush comes. It is to your interest and mine.

I PREPAY everything I offer, and deliver free to your nearest Postoffice or Express Office—on receipt of price. I always add a liberal number of nice extras, that I think will please you. I PACK SECURELY in strong boxes, and GUARANTEE everything to reach you safely, and that all will be satisfactory—as stated on second page of Catalog.

SPECIAL. If you will kindly hand out some of my Catalogs and Circulars to your friends, I will send them with your seeds, and some very choice NOVELTIES extra for your trouble. Will you do me this favor?

All Remittances by Money Order, Bank Draft or Registered Letter is at my risk. You may select extra seeds to cover cost of Order or Register. Carry out the price of each item and add up full amount. Use this sheet for order and remarks on same. Other remarks if any, please make on a separate sheet.

Free Gifts. The LARGER the order the MORE EXTRAS will be added, and better discount given.

Very Important. Write plainly WITH INK giving your name and full address every time.

DO NOT FORGET to order some flower seeds. They will brighten your home and gladden the hearts of the whole family. The pleasure resulting will be worth 10 times the cost.

Notice. Please write your name and address WITH INK very plainly here.

Amount enclosed.

NAME  

P. O. ORDER  

EXP. ORDER  

DRAFT or CHECK  

CASH  

STAMPS  

EXP. ORDER  

Be sure and give the name of your Express Office (if different from Post Office) for I can often send to much better advantage in this way. I prepay all charges. If Express Office is too far away, let me know—and I will send everything by mail.


FREE GIFTS. A useful Book on Window Gardening, and the care of plants and flowers—how to make them blown—given free with every order for 25 cts. or more of FLOWER seeds.

Extras also added free.
QUANTITY.  NAMES OF SEEDS WANTED.  PRICE.

Amount Brought Forward.

BE SURE AND READ EVERY WORD.

VALUABLE SEEDS GIVEN AWAY.

Never before have I put up so many valuable NEW SEEDS free for trial, and never before have my customers received as many as will be added to their orders this season. Those sending small orders will receive several packets free, and larger orders will be treated with corresponding liberality. Order early and secure these treasures, the supply of some may be exhausted later. My customers tell me they don't see how I can give so many extras.

A GREAT FAVOR.

If you will promise to hand out a few of my catalogs and circulars (to persons interested,) I will pack them with your order, and also send you something VERY CHOICE in seeds for this favor, that will more than pay you for your kindness.

If in addition you will write plainly on another sheet of paper the names and addresses of a few friends and Club Agents, (especially at other Post-offices,) I will mail them my catalog, and remember you. It costs money to advertise by any method, and in this way you get the benefit—and not the newspapers. I am always glad to have customers show my seeds to friends and tell them how liberal I have been in filling their orders.

TO CLUB AGENTS AND LARGE BUYERS.

Be sure and read my liberal discounts offered on pages 5 and 12. I am positive they are the VERY BEST offered by any reliable Seedsmen in the United States. Here is a grand chance to make money. Begin today and get up a club and keep the difference between the retail and clubbing price, and you will be certain to make wages that will surprise and gratify you.

If, however, this does not interest you, please show it to some of your club-raising friends, and you may do both of us a favor.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST.

I much desire that customers remit by Money Order—when they can (instead of postage stamps,) or get paper currency, or silver and wrap well and have your Postmaster register your letter. Remember I will accept stamps at all times but prefer you send by above methods when convenient. At all events send me your orders and do the best you can, and I will promise you GOOD seeds and GOOD measure. Your money will not go to pay for painted catalogs costly advertising or foolish "prizes" that not one in ten thousand ever sees. With many thanks for past orders, and wishing you a happy prosperous season, I am,

Very Sincerely Yours, A. T. COOK.
MONTE CRISTO WATER-MELON.

The King of All Melons.
The Best Ever Introduced,
SO SAY THOUSANDS OF LEADING GROWERS AND
MELON FANGERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.
Greatest Yielder Ever Known.

The largest early Watermelon to mature, ripening in from 65 to 80 days, and weighing under ordinary cultivation over 60 lbs. One of the sweetest, juiciest, crisp and most solid melons ever produced. Very easy to soil from its handsome appearance. Certainly one of the finest melons ever grown for market or table use. M. J. Walker, Veteran grower says:—The "Monte Cristo" is the best melon I ever raised—not half of its good qualities have been told. I have placed the price within the reach of all. Order early.

Prices of The Cinnamon Vine Prepaid.
I am the largest grower in the world and offer them at one-half usual prices. \$7 Buy at Headquarters and get the best. Order them now, as it is no trouble to keep roots until planting time.

I root postpaid for 10 cents.
5 " 25 cents.
15 " 50 cents.
40 " $1.00.
100 " $2.00.

I pack in boxes and guarantee safe arrival. Directions for planting, etc. accompany the roots.

A Hint to Club Agents.
It is very easy to take orders for the Cinnamon Vine. It is attractive nearly every one will order 5 to 50 roots or more. I furnish a beautiful colored plate to assist, for 5c. or free if 15 roots are ordered. I give a splendid watch and chain free for a $3.00 club. You can get it in a few hours if you try.

A Perfect Plant Food.
Walker’s Excelsior Brand.

Clean, Odorless, Guaranteed.
It is not a stimulant, but a perfect food in a concentrated form. It will make strong, healthy plants; make brighter flowers and prolong the period of blooming. Be sure and try it. You will be surprised how it promotes the vigorous, healthy growth, and wonder how it can add such color and fragrance.

It contains more than 3 times as much actual PLANT FOOD for the money than any other.

Full directions for using and guaranteed analysis on every package.
A little added to the water will preserve cut flowers 48 hours longer than if none were used.

Window Gardens. I send a valuable booklet on The Window Garden—How to grow plants, and make them bloom. In fact every young woman wants to know about plants—free with EACH PACK-AEGE of Plant Food.

PRICE OF PLANT FOOD PREPARED.
Large Box, sufficient for 25 plants one year, 90 cents; Small Box 25 cts. \$2.50 Boxes large size—or 10 small for $2.00. Delivered by Express or mail—Express preferred.

From the Floral Editor of the Ladies’ Home Journal.
(One of the Highest Authorities in the U. S.)

"I can most heartily endorse your Odorless Plant Food, and recommend it to florists and amateurs, who want a help-ful and harmless fertilizer. I consider it one of the most reliable and satisfactory on the market." Truly yours, Eben E. Ruxforth.
Greatest Money Maker of Them All.

Has not only Equaled but Surpassed all Claims made for it the past Two Seasons.

THE NEW EARLY
THOROUGHBRED POTATO.
Unanimously Pronounced by all
A PERFECT WONDER.
READ WHAT POTATO EXPERTS SAY OF IT:
"Yields 3 times as much as others."
"Over 700 Bushels per acre."
"20 Bushels from 20 Tubers."

Early Thoroughbred Potato.
(23rd Be sure and read the testimonials in next column—especially Mr. Terry's.)

A new potato, and the best one yet; it would seem that perfection was obtained. Very early, fine-flavored, and without doubt the most tremendous cropper of all. The flesh is clear white and when baked or diced breaks open like a snowball—white and floury.

The Thoroughbred besides being so early, is very handsome, (see cut from a photograph of an average specimen,) a hardy, strong, and vigorous grower, of superb keeping, and table qualities, and an enormous yielder. In fact all who have tried it consider it a PERFECT POTATO.

With extra soil and cultivation it can readily be made to produce 500 bushels or more per acre. New varieties invariably yield the best, and millions of dollars are annually lost by planting old, run-out sorts. I thank good fortune that I have such a valuable acquisition to offer, and every potato grower should be thankful to be able to obtain it on such favorable terms. Mr. Terry was offered $10.00 a piece for single tubers, and every purchaser of my seed should make an enormous profit on the crop they grow every potato raised this season will be worth a big price.

My seed is genuine—direct from Headquarters, and every tuber I offer is of my own growing—PURE and TRUE. Beware of spurious seed as much of it will be offered by unscrupulous parties. If you want the greatest cropper, the hardest, and absolutely the surest money-maker, then you want this greatest of all potatoes—

THE EARLY THOROUGHBRED.

Price of POTATO EYES
By Express or Mail, Fully Prepaid.
For $1.00 I will send 120 strong eyes of Thoroughbred,

" 2.00" " 250 " "
" 3.00 " " 425 " "
" 4.00 " " 650 " "
" 5.00 " " 875 " "
" 10.00 " " 1800 " "

I have received 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 good sized piece of potato with each eye. One eye being sufficient for a large hill. I send them carefully boxed, and prepaid, with full directions for planting and cultivating to secure an EXTRA LARGE yield.

I have set 2000 acres this year, and it is my desire to make every one of them a success. A large order from 30 local farmers, and 25 orders from a distance. I am better satisfied with the Thoroughbred than any other variety.

With the Earliest germination—good as a seed potato—amassable as a table potato, and the finest cropper of all the varieties grown. A crop of Thoroughbred will grow where the ordinary variety would not grow, as they are not at all affected by the blight disease.

A FEW TESTIMONIALS.

W. E. Thompson, of Mo., Sept. 1895 writes—We dug 110 lbs. of Early Thoroughbred—all grown from one plant weighed 20 ounces.

Harry C. Hammond, of Mo., July 28, 1896, the largest grower of seed potatoes in the world writes—"The new Thoroughbred will vastly improve mycrop, and I am giving it the name of 'LIONS MONEY' for who handles it than any other variety."

From the "Practical Farmer," written by H. F. Smith, the noted potato grower, I planted the new Thoroughbred as a test side by side with the best sorts I had—six varieties of seed and potatoes, and they yielded MORE THAN DOUBLE the manure of the rate of 40 bushels per acre. They had just the same care and cultivation given the whole field. I am sure they will make everywhere a wonderful record.

W. J. Manley, Mich. Sept. 1896, writes—1 dug and picked potatoes in a box's head full, of Early Thoroughbred. These all grew on 10 rows each 35 rods long. I never saw the like before, and everyone who saw them say the same. Their quality is EXCELLENT. They received only ordinary cultivation—and no fertilizer used.

From the "PRACTICAL FARMER," written by T. B. Terry,—the most noted—the most successful and the man who has made the most money growing potatoes of any in America. He says, "Blood will Tell." I say it will have matter whether in stock or seed. I planted two tubers weighing about half-pound, of the Early Thoroughbred, with a number of other varieties. To make the trial more complete I got two tubers of Early Rose of same size from Mr. Terry, who was a subscriber, and planted them by the side of the others. All were planted on average ground and worked precisely as the rest of our field crop. No fertilizer of any sort used.

The Thoroughbred has never failed me and has surprised all my life in potato culture, as when I dug those Thoroughbreds. In every hill there were great, large, beautiful potatoes such as I had never seen before. This year they yielded just THREE TIMES as much as those from the farmer's hill. The vigor and vitality of the new seedling enables it under the same conditions to grow three times as many bushels.

There is a great lesson taught here. Thousands of farmers are using chi turn-out seed and growing a crop at no profit. You will make a great mistake if you don't change seed occasionally and get the benefit of new blood.

FRIENDS: In conclusion I will say, I am in Position to fill ALL your orders liberal, promptly and with care. I am within two minutes walk of the Postoffice and have 4 mails a day. Last season I filled my orders (on an average) in less than 6 hours of receipt of same. I hope to do the same this year. To my Friends I return many thanks. My business shows that my seeds and efforts to please have been a success and is appreciated by those who know what good seeds are.

A LIBERAL NUMBER of extras given away with all orders—with potatoes as well as seeds.

Address, A. T. COOK, HYDE PARK, Dutchess Co. N. Y.