CHERRY MEADOW GARDENS

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OLIVE BELCHES
FRAMINGHAM CENTER
MASSACHUSETTS

On Pleasant Street
One Mile West of Village
Greetings!

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Each season we anticipate with a great deal of pleasure the meeting of our many garden friends.

To them we are indebted for our happy and successful season of 1930, and take this opportunity to express our real appreciation of their loyalty to us.

This booklet contains such plants as have proved their worth and includes certain new offerings which promise well.

Among the annuals tried out in 1930, we have admitted warm-heartedly a little garden jewel called Anagallis, perhaps our outstanding acquisition, although we must give honorable mention to our Coltness Dahlias whose blossoms resemble lovely single anemones. Perfect for the table.

We are offering for the first time, a small, single, soft pink petunia, well named "Fairy Cups." Its simple charm intrigued members of my family at the Chelsea Show.

The winter months are being spent in the growing of potted plants for the home window; so that one may come at any time to Cherry Meadow Gardens sure of finding something lovely to take away.

Cordially yours,

OLIVE MILLS BELCHES.

“My walls outside must have some flowers
My walls within must have some books;
A house that’s small, a garden large,
And in it leafy nooks.”

— W. H. DAVIES.
"Now let the Gard'ner mark with care
The kind of stocks and what the stocks
will bear."

**GROUP I**

**Annuals**

We are in position to furnish as fine annuals as can be produced and have greatly improved our facilities to meet a constantly increasing demand for our plants.

We regard the selection of our seed supplies as our first obligation. Our plants are raised from the choicest strains obtainable.

All annuals are sold in trays containing a dozen plants, with a few exceptions which are sold ex-pots.

Cost of handling precludes any alteration of the tray as offered below.

We fill orders in rotation as received, so please order early to avoid a quite possible disappointment.

If annuals are to be shipped please add 10 cents to each tray to cover cost of special package.

**AGERATUM.** "Little Blue Star": 4". Dwarf and compact. Ideal for edging. "Blue perfection." 12". Mingle with Southcote Asters or our taller Phlox Drummondi. 75 cents per tray.

**ALYSSUM.** "Michell’s Bouquet": Its perfect rosette of miniature white flowers makes it a gem for edging. 60 cents per tray.

**ANAGALLIS** (Pimpernel): 6–8". A captivating little plant. Delightful for edging or in the porch box and one of the few annuals we would admit to a rock planting. It will defy drought and heat, blooming continuously in the midst of very green foliage. Var.: Phillipsii, clear indigo blue. Hybrids, comprising blues, pinks, yellows, etc.; extremely charming. 60 cents per tray.

**ANCHUSA**: We offer the new development only. "Bluebird." 15". Flowers pure blue in rather flattish heads. Plant compact. 75 cents per tray.

**ANTIRRHINUM** (Snapdragon): 1½–2'. White Beauty, finest new white; Rose Doré, glowing
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rose pink; Silver Pink, light pink; Purple King, velvety dark maroon; Yellow King Improved, pale yellow with white throat; Golden Chamois, apricot orange with faint pink throat; Cattleya, orchid; Mixed. 80 cents per tray. Other Snapdragons in Group 2.

ARCTÔTIS GRÀNDIS: 2'. White daisy-like blossom with steel-blue central disc. Plant a vigorous grower, decorative, and worth having. 60 cents per tray.


BROWÁLLIA ELÁTA: 18". Very satisfactory for the garden. Flowers bright blue, foliage glossy. Persistent bloomer. I consider this one of the indispensable annuals. 75 cents per tray.

CALÈNDULA: 12". Single hybrids, comprising mixture of buff, apricot, cream, primrose and orange. Mr. Ball's own strain of doubles. "Orange"; "Gold"; "Lemon Queen"; "Apricot," which is rich straw with dark center and all colors mixed. 75 cents per tray.

CALLIOPSIS (Coreopsis): 12–18". Mixed lemon and chestnut. 60 cents per tray.

CANDYTUFT: Var.: Umbellàta. Flesh pink and mauve. 60 cents per tray.

CENTAURÉÀ: Var.: Cyànus (Corn Flower or Bachelor's Button): Bright blue; bright pink and gayest mixture of large doubles. For 1931 novelty see Group 2. Var.: Moschàta (Sweet Sultan): Best possible mixture. All 60 cents per tray.

CÓSMEA (Cosmos): We are furnishing this ex-pots only, stocky plants, in order that one may better choose one's requirements in this particular item. Early crimson, pink and white. 15 cents each, ex-pots; $1.20 for ten.

DIÁNTHUS: Heddewigii (Japanese Pink): "Morning Glory"; single blood red. Admired by our visitors. "Salmon Queen", a lovely laciniated single salmon pink. Both 75 cents per tray. This may winter over!

DIMORPHOTHÉCA (Star of the Veldt): 6". "Lemon Queen," lovely mingled with dwarf
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ageratum. "Apricot," an attractive soft shade of intense buff, exquisite with dwarf mauve petunia for edging. Hybrids in varying shades from primrose through buff. Desirable as edging plant or for an unusual window-box. 60 cents per tray.

HELIOTROPE: (See Group 2.)

LARKSPUR: Stocks-flowered. (Plant 10" apart.) Of this we have the finest obtainable. Choice dependable pink; lilac; Oxford blue; mixed. Hyacinth-flowered. A type which has but one beautiful central spike. Pink; lilac; purple; white; mixed. All 80 cents per tray.

LAVATÈRA (Sutton's Loveliness): 2'. This is an annual mallow with brilliant rose blooms; compact plant. Beautiful near Delphinium Sinense. 15 cents each ex-pots, $1.20 for ten.

LOBÈLIA "Cambridge Blue." 5". This soft shade of lobelia lends itself admirably for edging a rose garden. It does not encroach, it blooms till freezing and is altogether lovely. 75 cents per tray.

LUPÈNUS (Lupine): 2½'. We are offering the most enchanting colors in this delightful cut flower. Misty blue, pale pink, cream and pink, and dark blue. The dwarf sort growing but one foot, in rich blue and a soft yellow tinged orange, and fragrant. 15 cents each ex-pots. $1.20 for ten.

MARIGOLD: (See Tagetes.)

MIGNONETTE: Sweet-scented. Spot this in, in the midst of white petunias for fragrance along the edge of the garden path. 75 cents per tray.

NICOTIÀNA (Tobacco Plant): 3'. Pure white tubular flowers which emit a sweet tropical fragrance at night. Hybrids also in shades of red. 60 cents per tray.

NIGELLA: (Love-in-a-Mist): 1½'. Feathery foliage, corn-flower blue blossom. 60 cents per tray.

PANSY: (See Group 2.)

PETUNIA: We grow only the finest singles because of their artistic merit as garden flowers. "Blue Bedding" is an excellent violet blue, medium height. Good for middle distance. For trellis or trailing we recommend the Balcony Petunia. Rose; blue; white. For edging nothing is finer than the following. Their small blossoms furnish a simplicity that is charming. "Mauve Beauty"; "White Pearl"; "Violet"; "Rosy Morn" and "Brilliant Rose." All 75 cents per tray. For other choice Petunias see Group 2.
PHLOX DRUMMONDI: With this friendly little plant, fascinating color effects may be achieved. The taller 10" Phlox comes in deep violet; buff; salmon-rose; delicate pink; deep crimson and mixed. The intermediate 8" Phlox in gay mixture only. The dwarf 5" Phlox, in delicate pink; mauve; violet; apricot; rich salmon. "Star of Quedlinburg" is the little Star Phlox and comes in shadings like old chintz. All 60 cents per tray.

SALPIGLOSSIS: 2'. Since our clients admire our Chelsea Hybrids we confine our offerings to this. Its range of color is very fine. 75 cents per tray.

SÁLVIA (Pink Gem): 2'. The plant gives a misty effect, its silvery leaf-bracts being tipped with bright pink. 75 cents per tray.

SCABIÓSA (Mourning Bride): Ageratum Blue; Peach Blossom and all colors mixed. 60 cents per tray. For 1931 offering see Group 2.

SUNFLOWER (English Miniature): 4'. This is a charming thing for background in the picking garden. Pale primrose with very dark center. Flowers about the size round of a tumbler. 60 cents per tray.

TAGÈTES (Marigold): Var.: Patula, French marigold. "Josephine," a tall plant bearing rich brown flowers, petals tipped with gold. Prized for cutting. Dwarf Mahogany brown; dwarf "Golden Ball," clear yellow; and striped. Var.: Erecta; African Marigold; Pale primrose, our specialty, which is very much in demand and a mixture from Scotland of orange and lemon, where it has taken prizes. Var.: Signàta pïmila, commonly called "tagetes," is ideal for window boxes or edging. Dwarf, continuous bloomer. All marigolds, 60 cents per tray.

VERBÈNA ERINÓIDES (Moss Verbena): Very decorative for tops of walls or to fill in gaps in the border. Its rose-purple blooms rise from a mossy foliage and are persistent and profuse. This Verbena won much admiration last season and added to its laurels by standing the drought and heat of 1930. 75 cents per tray. For other Verbenas see group 2.

ZINNIA: Finest giant strain. "Crimson Monarch"; White; Burnt Orange; Buttercup; Deep Flesh. "Pink Profusion" in its varying tones; "Buff", a lovely thing to combine with "Delicate Pink" for a soft effect. "Lemon Beauty" with its effective overlay. Mixed without red. Dwarf zinnias, in canary yellow; flesh pink; salmon rose and these three mixed. Zinnia Haageana: (Mexican Zinnia) in autumn yellows mixed. All 75 cents per tray. For unique offering see Group 2.
Group 2

Special Annuals

Choicest introductions of the year.


CENTAUREA CYANUS MINOR: 2'. Pure mauve in color, this new cornflower is arresting attention wherever seen. 15 cents each, $1.20 for ten.

CHRYSANTHEMUM: "Coronet" and "Princess May." Singles, showing lemon and primrose on white ground. Aquisitions for the table. 15 cents each ex-pots. $1.20 for ten.

DAHLIA: Var.: Coltness. 12-18". A bowl of these anemone-shaped blossoms on the table is enchanting. Our hybrids come in a mixture of mauves, pinks, rich reds, plum, lemon, etc. "Coltness Gem" is a bright scarlet which some consider a satisfactory substitute for the geranium. "Coltness Yellow," lemon color. Well grown plants ready to set in your garden. 35 cents each. $3.00 for ten.

DIANTHUS: "Sweet Wivelsfield." Mixture only. 15 cents each. $1.20 for ten.

GERANIUM: Rose-scented. For the finger bowl. 50 cents each.

GERANIUM: We have three popular bedding varieties. Scarlet, white and salmon-pink. 35 cents each.

HEDERA HELIX: Hardy English Ivy. For window-boxes. 75 cents each.

HELIOPHILA: 18". Blue, white-eyed flower. From Capetown. 15 cents each. $1.20 for ten.

HELIOTROPE: Dark blue, sweet scented, from cuttings only, to insure fragrance. Low spreading plant ideal for the garden. 25 cents each ex-pots. $2.00 for ten.

IPOMOEA: HEAVENLY BLUE MORNING GLORY. True. Well started vines. 50 cents each. $4.50 for ten.

LIMNANTHES DOUGLASII: 6". Flowers white and yellow with cress-like foliage. Another annual we would permit in a rock garden. 15 cents each. $1.20 for ten.

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LINÁRIA: We have this little annual in mixture of mauve, pink, gold, etc. Blooms like miniature "snaps", are quite lovely for bouquets. 15 cents each. $1.20 for ten.

NEMÉSIA: 1' (allow 5" between plants.) We offer two colors, pale yellow and rich orange, from highly reliable seeds. 15 cents each ex-pots. $1.20 for ten.

PANSY: Young, lusty plants full of promise. An extremely fancy strain. Purple; clear yellow; mauve; blue; white. Straight or assorted. $5.00 per 100; $3.00 per 50; 75 cents per dozen. We suggest an early requisition, since pansies are far better moved before their heaviest bloom begins.

PETUNIA: Superb selections, all single, viz.: "Fairy Cups," the little dainty pink mentioned in our greetings. "Violacea", the very dark pansy purple; "Pale Blue", large fluted steely light blue with deeper veins; "Wine Red," large soft Burgundy; "Blown Ruby," a red more like Colonial glass, a lighter shade than wine. Quite unique. All 25 cents each ex-pots; $2.00 for ten.

PLATYSTÉMION CALIFORNICUS: 1'. Lemon colored flowers. Highly recommended by a friend who saw it blooming in England. 15 cents each, $1.20 for ten.

SALVIA: Var.: Farinacea. This lovely thing in soft mauve-blue should be in generous groups for best effect. Var.: Patens. The purest blue of the floral kingdom. Clear sapphire. Both salvias 15 cents each ex-pots. $1.20 for ten.

SCABIOUS: "Giant Loveliness." A 1931 introduction difficult to surpass. Its varying shades of soft salmon-rose, its long stiff stems capped by blooms of delicate fragrance make it an outstanding cut flower. 15 cents each, $1.20 for ten.

STÁTICE: Var.: Bonduelli, yellow; Var.: Sinuata, rose pink and "True Blue." A desirable plant for the garden and for drying. 15 cents each, $1.20 for ten.

STOCKS: We have a very promising strain of garden stocks in an unusual range of colors. Apple-blossom, rose pink, white, sulphur yellow, canary yellow, chestnut, dark brown, light brown, dark violet and lavender-blue. 15 cents each ex-pots, $1.20 for ten.

SWEET PEA VINES: Finest garden strains. Cream, lavender, pink, deep violet, fawn, sunproof scarlet, white, tangerine, Heavenly blue. Straight or assorted. Well started plants ready to set in your garden as early as your....
land can be prepared. PLANT EARLY. Vines should set 8" apart, both sides of support, staggered. Priced attractively. 8 dozen vines, $4.50; 4 dozen vines $2.50; 2 dozen vines $1.75.

URSINIA: 't. Rich orange yellow with a ring of purple. A choice product of South Africa. 15 cents each ex-pots. $1.20 for ten.

VERBENA: Var.: ALOYSIA CITRIODORUS: LEMON VERBENA: 25 cents each, $2.00 for ten.

VERBENA: This is extremely satisfactory for a late summer and autumn cut flower, furnishing a needed flash of color in the garden even after light frosts. This year we have the most desired shades; "Mayflower", the exquisite light pink; "Mammoth Golden Queen", an early yellow. The deepest in this color on the market; "Hybrida Grandiflora Royale", royal purple with cream eye; white; and a very good blue. Splendid plants. 25 cents each ex-pots, $2.00 for ten.

WALLFLOWER: 18". This annual double wallflower, delicately scented, is quite an acquisition to the little garden. Rich brown and golden yellow. 15 cents each, $1.20 for ten.

ZINNIA: DELIGHT: A "find" for a cutting flower. It is a cross between Pumila and Picotee. The petals are fluted and curled, beautifully picoteed; the color a rich salmon-rose. 15 cents each. $1.20 for ten.

GROUP 3

Spring Garden Offerings

(Plants designated * suitable though not confined to rock planting.)

*ALYSSUM SAXATILE (Rock Madwort or Goldentuft): 6-8". Var.: Compactum, bright yellow. Var.: Compactum citrinum, pale yellow. $2.00 for ten, $18.00 per hundred.

*ANCHUSA: Var.: Myosotidiflora. 1' Sun. Flowers like panicled for-get-me-nots. 40 cents each, $3.50 for ten.

*ANEMONE: Var.: Pulsatilla (Pasque Flower): 6-12". May. Its lovely violet bloom heralds the spring. $3.00 for ten. Var.: Vernalis. 5". White Alpine flower, tinged lilac. Var.: Sulphurea. 1'. Sulphur yellow flowers, graceful ferny foliage. The last two will be ready in August at 45 cents each.

*ARABIS: 6". Var.: Albida (White Siberian Rock Cress), April-May. Var.: Alpina rosea
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(Pink Alpine Rock Cress), pale rose. $2.00 for ten, $15.00 per hundred.

*ARENÁRIA: Var.: Montàna (Mountain Sandwort). 4". May. Trailing masses of snow-white flowers. One of the finest Alpines. $2.50 for ten.

*ARMÈRIA MARÌTIMA: Var.: Laucheana. 3-6". Late April-May. Intense pink. Excellent rock plant. $2.20 for ten.

*AUBRÈTIA DÈLTOÍDIA (Rock Cress): 6". This is a lovely spring plant carpeting the ground or rocks with bright bloom. Pink; the lovely purple Hendersoni; the lavender Graeca. All $3.00 for ten.

BELLIS PERÈNNIS (English Daisy): We offer the bright pink. $1.50 for ten.

*CHEIRÀNTHUS ALLIONI (Siberian Wallflower): 1'. Makes brilliant patches of pure orange. For rocks, edgings, etc. $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred.

*DÁPHNE: Var.: Cneorum. 6-12". (Garland Flower). Late April, May. Dense trailing evergreen, bearing deep pink, heavily fragrant flowers. Often blooms again in September. Plants 6-8" spread. $1.25 each. 8-10" $1.50.

*DRÀBA (Whitlow Grass): 3". Var.: Aizoides. Give this a sunny aspect, sheltered and you will be rewarded by a wealth of pale yellow blossoms in early spring. Enchanting with lavender crocus. 75 cents each.

*ERINUS ALPINUS: Var.: Carneum (Wall Erinus): 3-4". May-June. The bloom of this Erinus is carmine, livelier than the usual one. Charming rock plant. $2.40 for ten.

*GLOBULARÌA: Var.: Trichosantha. 6". This is a charming plant; its lavender-blue blossoms in round heads adding delightful variety to the May and June garden. Edging or rocks. Half-shade desirable. $3.00 for ten.


*IRIS PÙMILA (Dwarf Flag): 4-8". May. Purple, lavender-blue, orange. $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred.

MERTÈNÞA VIRGÌNICA (Virginian Cowslip): 1-2'. Pendant flowers, blue changing to pink. Half-shade best. Beautiful among ferns, with yellow daffodils. $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred.
*MYOSÔTIS (For-get-me-not): Var.: Sylvatica: Woodland species. 10". Delightful for general purposes. Woodland or garden. Sun or shade. "Blue King," "White Lady," "Rosy Queen," are charming with bulbs. For dwarf uses Sylvatica "Blue Bedder." $1.80 for ten, $15.00 per hundred. Var.: Palustris semperflorens: The blue, marsh-loving plant. May-Sept. $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred.

*PAPÀVER NUĐICAULE (Iceland Poppy) "Moonbeam." A 1931 introduction of merit. Shades of sulphur yellow, stiff stems and large flowers. "Sandford's Barton Mills" strain. Almost every imaginable color, flowers larger. Fine for cutting. (Cut in the bud stage.) $2.80 for ten. We have also tangerine; mixed whites and yellows; and "Sunbeams," varied shades. All $2.20 for ten

*PHLOX: Var.: Stellaria. "G. F. Wilson." Star-shaped blossoms of real lavender. $3.50 for ten. Var.: Subulata: "Apple-blossom", pale blush pink; "Lilacina," lilac not lavender; "Vivid," intense pink not the dull. All $3.00 for ten, $25.00 per hundred. Var.: Divaricata. "Spring Dream." The phlox for which Cherry Meadow is famous! A lovely gray-blue phlox which makes most entrancing pillows in the spring garden. 45 cents each, $4.00 for ten.

POLEMÔNIUM: Var.: Réptans (Greek Valerian). 6-8". Half-shade best where possible, fern-like leaf, flowers blue in lax panicles. Drift this along the border, interplant with Clara Butt or Moonlight tulip. $2.00 for ten, $18.00 per hundred.

*PRIMULA AURICULA: 6-9". Late April. Hardy if given protected situation. "McWatt's Blue" and mixed, showy and beautiful colors. Ready in August. $3.00 for ten.

*PRIMULA POLYANTHA (Bunch primrose or Polyanthus): 6-10". Half-shade. Late April-May. "Munstead," strain of yellows only. Perfected by Miss Jekyll in her English garden. $2.70 for ten, $25.00 per hundred. "Six Hills," a delightful strain of many colors developed after years of selection by Mr. Clarence Elliott and said to surpass the famous Spetchley strain. Grown from costly seeds. $3.75 for ten, $35.00 per hundred. "Blue Beauty," lovely woodland tones of purple blues to lavender. Color intensified if given shade. A choice new English offering. $3.50 for ten.

SANGUINÂRIA, TRILLIUM, TIARELLA, FERNS and other WILDINGS on request. We are in position to make woodland plantings.

*SAPONÂRIA OXYMOIDES (Rock Soapwort): Sun. Trailing sheets of warm pink. Effective
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spilling over walls or rocks. May-June. $2.20 for ten, $18.00 per hundred.

*SAXIFRAGA (Saxifrage): “Rosy Queen.” A mossy variety of palest pink. $2.20 for ten. Var.: Cordifolia. This is the delightful megasea which Miss Jekyll recommends, and quite rightly. Furnishes decorative foliage suitable for either edging or for a woodland copse. April-May. 12-15”. 45 cents each, $4.00 for ten.

*TRÓLLIUS EUROPÆUS (Mt. Globe Flower) May-June. Beautiful spring flower, like double buttercup. Orange, yellow or hybrids. Stock scarce. 50 cents each, $4.50 for ten.


*VIOLA (Grandiflora): This is a plant we spare no effort to perfect. We have the very finest varieties, tried out in our nursery. “Archie Grant,” the well-known blue-purple; “Primrose Dame”; “White Perfection”; “Bronze”; “Sutton’s Apricot”; “Imperial Blue”; “Blue Gem”; “Blue Perfection”; “Haslemere”, a charming hybrid pink to mingle with blue Myosotis; “Purple Queen”, a red purple Viola with large floret; this or “Purple King” are fine among alfield saxatile. A very good hybrid mixture. All of the foregoing are $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred, not less than 25 of an identical kind. We have the real “Johnny-Jump-Ups.” $1.50 for ten. “Jersey Gem” and both white and blue Viola G. Wermig. $3.00 for ten. “Maggie Mott”, the delectable and much talked of lavender we shall have in the future. Not now for sale. A limited supply of Viola Huntercombe Purple. Very scarce. 45 cents each, $4.00 for ten. This is to us the perfect Viola, as repeat orders testify. To supply the new Sweet Violet “Rosina,” we shall have field plants at 50 cents each.

Group 4

Perennials

(Plants designated * suitable though not confined to rock planting.)

ACHILLÉA PTÁRMICA (Sneezewort): 2½’. June, July. Var.: Perry’s White. $2.00 for ten.
ACONITUM (Monkshood): Var.: Napéllus, 3–4'. Early bright blue flower. June, July. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Sparks, very dark blue, tall-growing up to 6'. July, August. Fine with pink phlox. $3.00 for ten. Var.: Fischeri, stocky plant, with large, rich blue hoods. Choice for September, 3'. $3.00 for ten. Var.: Wilsonii, rare, 5–6', violet blue hoods. 50 cents each, $4.50 for ten.

AGROSTÉMMA CORONÁRIA (Mullein Pink, Dusty Miller, Rose Campion): 2'. Foliage silvery. Blooms June, July. Flowers rich, glowing crimson; also white. $2.00 for ten.

*ALLYSSUM: Var.: Argéntium (Silvery Madwort.) 15". Later than Saxatile. Blooms through July. Leaves silvery underneath, flowers in yellow clusters. $2.00 for ten, $18.00 per hundred. Var.: Saxatile, see Group 3.

ANCHÉSA (Alkanet): Var.: Barrelléri. 12". Flowers gentian blue. Usable in narrow border where Dropmore is overpowiring. $3.00 for ten. Var.: Italicá Dropmore. 3–4'. Though a weedy plant the color of the blooms, brilliant gentian-blue, makes it desirable. Planted in association with pink or apricot poppies it is very striking. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Myosotidi-flóra. (See Group 3).

ANEMÔNE: Var.: Japonica. 1½–2'. Alba, exquisite pure white, single blossoms, and Queen Charlotte, semi-double, soft pink. Late fall. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Hupehensis. 2'. Lovely pinkish mauve blossoms. Earlier than the first named, commencing to bloom in August and continuing till frost. We think this enchanting and feel sure you will want it. $2.50 for ten. For other anemones see Group 3.

ÀNTHEMIS (Camomile): Var.: Kelwayi. 2'. Better than type. Pale yellow, daisy-like blooms, silvery, fine-cut foliage. June, October. $2.00 for ten.

AQUILEGIA (Columbine): 2–3'. May–June. Long-spurred variety in white, pink, blue, and yellow, from imported English seed. The charming yellow Chrysanth which blooms most of the summer. Your choice $2.40 for ten. Dobbie's Imperial Hybrids from Scotland. Nothing finer. Noteworthy for its long spurs and exquisite gradation of color, a result of ten years' selection and reselection. Yielding beautiful blues, including lavender, heliotrope, mauve, etc., and palest pink to deeper reds. This is very special. $3.00 for ten. "Rose Queen," a beautiful development, having long spurs; the effect pale pink and creamy-white. $3.00 for ten. "Silver Queen," white to cream with spurs tinged rosy-sapphire. $3.00
for ten. "Josephine Marsh," a long spurred hybrid of old rose with yellow sepals. Blooms as other varieties are getting through. "Strawberry Red," long-spurred with cream throat; "Mrs. Nichols," an unrivalled long-spurred blue with white throat, a glorified Rocky Mt. Aquilegia. $2.70 for ten. "Emily Tenney," a rare and lovely lavender. $3.00 for ten. And last, but not least, our own American wilding, the little gem of our woods, Canadensis. $2.00 for ten, $16.00 per hundred.

ARABIS: (See Group 3).


ASTER (Michaelmas Daisy): Late August-September. 3–5'. Var.: Amellus. The strain called "King George" is lovely. Low plants. 1½'. Covered in the autumn with a wealth of violet blue flowers. $3.00 for ten. "Maid of Athens," rose pink; "Blue Gem," dark blue, both grow about 3'. "Cherry Meadow-Improved Climax" is a beautiful lavender; N. E. Aster Roseum, is raspberry purple, lovely in the fall; "Barr's Pink," perhaps the best pink today; "Purple Emperor," a noble blue purple; "Lavender King" and "Freedom," two excellent lavenders. "Queen Elizabeth." Large fluted petals of pure white. Some of these are Ballard's. We have eliminated the mediocre. All are attractively priced. $2.50 for ten.

ASTILBE (False Goat's Beard): 3'. We offer two hybrids, one pink, one white. Plant in retentive soil in partial shade. 50 cents each, $4.50 for ten.

*AUBRIÈTIA DELTOIDEA: (See Group 3).

BAPTÍSIA: Var.: Austrális (blue, wild or false indigo): 3–4'. May, June. When established this plant, with its attractive foliage and blue pea-shaped blossom, makes a lovely feature in the garden. $2.40 for ten.

BOCCÓNIA CORDÀTA (Plume Poppy): 6–8'. July, August. Flowers in cream yellow panicles
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shoot upward from the glaucous leaves. Striking for bold effect in the background. $2.20 for ten.

BOLTÒNIA LATISQUÂMA (Broad-scaled Boltonia): 4-5'. August, September. Lavender-pink daisy-like flowers which add greatly to the late summer garden. $2.20 for ten.

BÜDDLEIA (Butterfly Bush): Var.: Magnifica. Shrub-like plant with many lilac blossoms. 50 cents each, $4.50 for ten.


CANTERBURY BELL: (See Campanula Medium.)

CARLÍNA: A thistle-like plant with odd bloom in August. A rather interesting rock plant. 40 cents each.

CARNÁTION: "Sutton's Prize Border," comprising uncommon self-colors in mixture of
plum, pink, red, etc. Early Excelsior, another mixture of excellence. $2.50 for ten.

CÁSSIA MARYLÁNDICA (Wild Senna): 4-5'. Locust-like foliage, golden blossoms in late July, August. Poor soil will not discourage this fine roadside plant. $2.20 for ten.


*CERÀSTIUM TOMENTÌOSUM (Cottony Mouse-ear): 3-6". Sun. June. A rock plant which will grow quite happily on the level, but which shows its true habit hanging in sheets from an upright wall. $2.00 for ten.

CHRYSÁNTHEMUM: We have the finest named kinds, all early blooming. "Ruth Hatton," the best clear ivory white pompon. "October Girl," vigorous and branchy rose pink. "Sea-shell," delicate pink. "Mrs. L. Birchard," bright shell; "Gypsy Girl," chestnut bronze. "Ruth Cumming," intense bronze; "Barbara Cumming," an admirable yellow; "Mrs. Calvin Coolidge," an autumn cardinal-red. These are an excellent buy. Ex-pots, $3.00 for ten. The early flowering English Chrysanthemum we shall have in limited supply. $2.20 for ten in mixture only. C. Leucaanthemum (Shasta Daisy): "May Queen," early flowering and "Mrs. C. Lowthian Bell." Both good. $2.00 for ten. Var.: Koreanum (Korean Chrysanthemum): Very late blooming white, in clumps, for 50 cents each.

CIMICIFUGA: Var.: Racemósus (Black Snake-root): Rather striking white blooms, on plants 3-8', in July, early August. Good for shady spots. 40 cents each, $3.00 for ten.


DELPHÍNIUM: (Larkspur): 3-9'. "Pudor’s Prizewinners" a strain of larkspur which defies description. Florets very large, colors beautiful. "Pudor’s Private Wrexham Mixture" also marvelous. These two rare offerings we
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Cherry Meadow Gardens sell for $2.00 per plant. Cherry Meadow Hybrids, a very choice strain, plants tall and rugged, $3.50 for ten. Var.: Belladonna, "Cliveden Beauty," sky-blue, branching plant, medium height; Bellamosum, similar with sapphire blooms. $2.20 for ten. Var.: Sinénse (Chinese larkspur), sapphire blue, white and Azure Fairy, sky blue. These bloom after the foregoing varieties. Plants are slender, height 2-3'. $2.00 for ten.


DICÉNTRA SPECTABILIS or DIÉLYTRA (Bleeding Heart): Late April, mid-July. Does much better in partial shade. Rose-colored heart-shaped flowers with white protuberances droop from arching stems. 50 cents each.

DICTÁMNUS ALBUS (Fraxinella, Gas Plant, Burning Bush, Dittany): 2-3'. Sun or part shade. June, July. Plan to place this where it will remain indefinitely undisturbed, and do not crowd. Takes time to establish. 50 cents each.

DIGITALIS (Foxglove): Var.: Purpurea. "Giant Shirley Improved," the last word in varicolored foxgloves. This will attain a height of 5-7'. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Marshall's White, brought to perfection, is this pure white foxglove. $2.20 for ten. A beautiful strain and to us the perfection of foxglove beauty. Isabelina, 5', a new hybrid Gloxiniaeflora, a lovely chamois shade. Perennial. $2.40 for ten.

*DRACOCÉPHALUM: Var.: Ruyschiâna (Ruysch's Dragon's Head): 12". July. Large purple and white helmets. Fine for rocks in partial shade. 40 cents each, $3.00 for ten.

ECHINÁCEA: Var.: Purpurea (Black Sampson or Purple Coneflower). 2-3'. Showy rayed flowers, drooping dull-rose petals, buttony brown centers. August garden. $2.20 for ten. Var.: Arbendsonne, a beautiful new variety. $3.00 for ten.

ECHÍNOPS (Globe Thistle): Var.: Ritro. 2-3'. July, August. Flowers in globe-shaped heads of
brilliant steel blue. This should be more widely planted, for its unique charm. Var.: Sphaero-céphalus. 5-7'. For bold plantings with Bocconia in a wide border. Flowers paler than the foregoing. Var.: Humilis. 2½' dwarf species from the Caucasus. Bright blue heads. All $2.40 for ten.

ÉLYMUS GLAUCUS (Blue Lyme Grass): 3'. Plant for artistic foliage effect. Slender bluish-green leaves. $3.00 for ten.

ERIÁNTHUS: RAVENNAE (Plume Grass): 4-7'. Long leaved ornamental grass. $2.40 for ten.

ERÍGERON (Fleabane): 1'. Var.: Speciosus. Lovely purplish lilac. June, July. Sun. $2.20 for ten. The Erigeron is akin to the daisy, but the petals are more numerous and slender.

ERÝNGIUM (Sea-holly): 1½-2'. Var.: Alpínnum. Steel blue stems and spreading involucres make this odd garden plant quite fascinating. Fancies part shade. Amethystínnum Var.: Oliveriánum. Artistic steel blue flower heads are lovely with saffron or pink roses in a vase. $2.70 for ten.

EULALIA JAPONICA GRACILLIMA: 4-9'. Artistic green, fine-leaved grass. $2.40 for ten.

EUPATÖRIUM: Var.: Purpureum (Jo-Pye or Trumpet-weed): 5-7'. Sun or part shade. Late July, September. Delightful in the border with pink phlox. Blossoms mulberry. Var.: Coelestínum (Mist flower). Our strain comes from Kansas, where the plant is a native. Blossoms are similar to ageratum, lavender-blue. Plant grows 12-18” tall. Just back of edging plants. Both E. $2.20 for ten.

*FESTÚCA GLAUCA: Tufts of glaucous fine grass. Effective in woodland planting, among rocks. $2.20 for ten.

FÜNKIA: Var.: Subcordata grandiflora. 2'. (Large Flowered Plantain Lily.) We regard this as the most attractive of the species. Fragrant white, tubular flower-stalks rise from mound of large leaves. 50 cents each, $4.50 for ten.

GAILLÁRDIA (Blanket flower): Var.: Aristata (grand.) 1½-3’. June, September. From this old garden favorite we have a wealth of bloom all summer. Petals yellow and tawny red. Our strain “Ipswich Beauty” a superior development. Another comes in straw yellow with rose zone. $2.00 for ten.

GALÈGA OFFICINÁLIS (Goat’s Rue): 2-3’. Sun or part shade. Bushy plant. Blossom white,
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pea-shaped. Two developments of this "Hartlandi," pink and white. "Duchess of Bedford," lilac and white. All $2.40 for ten.

GENTIANA SEPTEMFLIDA (Crested Gentian): 12". August. Lovely heads of blue flowers with white interiors. 75 cents each.

GERANIUM: Var.: Ibericum: 1½'. Violet blossoms, one of the best of the Cranesbills. Requires retentive soil and partial shade. $2.40 for ten.

GEUM (CHLOE AVENS): 2'. Late June, early August. Sun. "Orange Queen," "Lady Strathe- den," golden yellow, and "Mrs. J. Bradshaw," bright red. Generous groups in the forepart of the border are very attractive, at the same time affording good flowers for cutting. $2.40 for ten.

*GLOBULARIA: (See Group 3.)

GYPSOPHILA (Baby's Breath): 3'. This might be called indispensable. Var.: Acutifolia is a large plant with tiny pale-pink blooms. $2.20 for ten. Var.: Paniculata, named Ehrei, we tried out and found to be of super-excellence; a great improvement over the old paniculata. Earlier blooming season and much whiter in effect. Grafted plants, at 50 cents each, insure the true double G. Allow 3' between plants. *Var.: Repens rosea is a prostrate plant, lovely creeping over copings, a mist of pale pink. $3.00 for ten.

HELIANTHEMUM (Rock Rose): 8-15”. Requires sun. Flowers in June, July, like small wild roses. Satisfactory to tuck among rocks. We offer hybrids in pinks and gold; also segregated shades of yellow. $3.00 for ten.

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HEMEROCALLIS (Day Lily): Var.: Dumortierii 1-2'. Orange. First species to bloom. Early June. Fragrant. Var.: Middendorfii. 1-3'. Half-shade. June, July. Fragrant pumpkin-colored blooms. Var.: Flava. 3'. June, July. Half-shade best. This is the true lemon lily of grandmother's garden. Var.: Thunbergii. 3-4'. Resembles flava with smaller blooms late July. Var.: Luteola. This is rich yellow, blooms with Thunbergii, and is effective grouped with

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it. Var.: Fulva. 3'. July, early August. Striking tawny-colored lily rises from bold reed-like foliage. All $2.20 for ten.

HÉSPERIS MATRONÁLIS (Dame’s Violet, Sweet Rocket): 3’. June. Distinctly old-fashioned. Fragrant phlox-like blooms in mixed mauve and white, and a new offering in orchid pink. $2.20 for ten.

HEUCHERA SANGUÍNEA (Coral Bells): 1¾’. June, September. Graceful, delicate, coral-red blooms rise from broad pillows of pale-green leaves. $2.70 for ten.

HIBISCUS (MARSH MALLOW): 5–6’. We offer Moscheutos hybrids in harmonious shades of reds and pinks. Mixed. $2.40 for ten.

HOLLYHOCK: 5–8’. Sun. Old-fashioned single variety only. Our Cherry Meadow strain is especially fine, shades running principally in beautiful pinks and reds. Many years ago, we obtained our stock from the gardens of Queen Victoria. $2.40 for ten.

*IBÉRIS (Candytuft): (See Group 3).

*INULA: Var.: Ensifolia (Sword-leaved Elecampane): 6–8”. Mid. July, September. Yellow aster-like flowers. $3.00 for ten.

ten. "Dorothea K. Williamson," a cross. Yellow-green foliage and red-purple bloom makes this Iris very artistic. 50 cents each. Var.: Pseud-Acorus (Marsh Loving Iris): The Iris that will stand wet feet, but will likewise be at home in a retentive garden soil. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Japonica (Japanese Iris): White, blue and mixed at 75 cents each.

*JASIÎNE PERÉNNIS (Shepard's or Sheep Scabious): 12". Sun or half-shade. Early July. Dull light-blue flowers in profusion. Foliage in tufts. Good. $2.40 for ten.

LÁTHYRUS LATIFÔLIUS (Perennial Pea): 6'. Vine bearing small editions of sweet peas. "Pink Beauty," which we offer, and "White Pearl," are two choice strains. 40 cents each, $3.00 for ten.

LAVÁNDULA: Var.: Vera. The true English lavender from which they manufacture lavender water. Mid-July, September. Rather capricious as to wintering in our N. E. winters, but near the shore it would be safe, and some winters inland. Our "Munstead Dwarf" is a low hedge plant, with deeper blue flowers, coming earlier into bloom. $2.40 for ten.


*LINÁRIA: Var.: Macedonia speciosa, 2–3'. Sun or shade. June, July. An acquisition to the light yellow garden flowers. $2.20 for ten.


LOBÉLIA CARDINÁLIS (Cardinal Flower): 3'. July, August. If you have opportunity to plant a colony of this, you will be perpetuating a beautiful plant which is threatened with extermination. $2.00 for ten. $18.00 per hundred.

LUPINUS (Lupine): 3–4'. June. English hybrids, from named varieties. 50 cents each, $4.00 for ten. Var.: Polyphyllus. Pink, white, blue. $2.40 for ten.

showing well near evergreens. Variation of this in salmon shades, running fairly true. All L.
$2.00 for ten.

LÝTHRUM RÔSEUM (Pink Spiked Loose-strife): 3'. Late July, mid August. Familiar swamp plant which will thrive in partly shaded border. Rose-pink. $2.30 for ten.

MÁLVA MOSCHÁTA (Musk Mallow): 1–2'. June, September. No old-time garden should be without this sweet plant. Rosea, white, mixed. Your choice, $2.00 for ten.


MEGÁSEA: (See Saxifraga.)

MÉRTÉNSIA: (See Group 2.)

MONARDA DIDYMA (Bee Balm): 3'. July, August. Rich red. $2.00 for ten.


*MYOSÔTIS (For-get-me-not): (See Group 3.)

MYRRHIS ODORÁTA (Sweet Cicely): 2½'. Finely cut, fragrant, fern-like foliage. Rare in this country. Used in old English gardens. 75 cents each.

NÉPETA (Catmint): MUSÍNI. May, June. 8–10". Makes a superfine edging if pruned back to 3" after blooms fade. We recommend this highly. $2.20 for ten. $20.00 for 100.


PACHYSÁNDRA TERMINÁLIS (Spurge): 1'. Ideal evergreen ground cover. Will grow in shade under trees. $2.20 for ten, $18.00 per 100.

PAPÂVER (Poppy): Var.: Nudicaûle (See Group, 3.) Var.: Orientâle scarlet; "Mrs. Perry," pink; "Mahony," dark mahogany, and "Apricot," pinkish apricot. These are plants
which have proved their color. 60 cents each. $5.00 for ten. "Premier Mixture," containing a variety of colors. $2.00 for ten. Var.: Pilosum. Hairy stemmed. Uniform apricot. Extended blooming season. $2.40 for ten.

PENTSTÉMON: Var.: Barbatus Torreyi. Rich salmon-red bells droop along slender stems. $2.20 for ten. A new introduction just what we need, delicate shell pink. $2.40 for ten.

PHLOX PANICULÁTA: We have restricted our plantings of this item to a very concise list. Why fill your garden with superseded varieties when you can obtain the finest introductions of the day? WHITE viz.: "Miss Lingard" (suffruticosa), early July, "Frau A. Buchner," August. "Etta's Choice" (not large florets but lovely effect), September. $2.00 for ten. "Mia Ruys," an improved Tapis Blanc, exceedingly large florets, plant blooming in mid-summer, about 1 1/2' only. A beauty. "Czarina," new late white. Last two, 40 cents each. $3.50 for ten.


PLATYCODON: (See Campanula Grand).

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POLEMÔNIIUM CAERULEUM (Jacob's Ladder): 1-3'. Half-shade preferred. Late May, July. Ferny foliage. White. $2.00 for ten. Himalayanum. 3'. Flowers deep blue. Fine. $3.00 for ten. P. Reptans: (See Group 3).


PRÍMULA POLYÁNTHA: (See Group 3).


RUDBÆCKIA TRILOBA (Black-eyed Susan): 1-3'. $2.00 for ten.

SÁLVIA (Sage): S. AZUREA GRANDIFLORA. 3-4'. Late August, September. Waving spikes of pale blue flowers. Plant needs room to display its beauty. S. FARINÁCEA (Mealy Sage): (See Group 2). S. PÁTENS: (See Group 2). Var.: PITCHERI. 3'. August-October. Flowers true deep blue, borne in profusion, when blue flowers are scarce. A plant of rare merit. $2.70 for ten. S. *PRATÉNSIS (Meadow Sage): 2'. Sun. June, early July. Deep violet blue. Variation named Tenorei. An improved pratensis; bright blue, continuous bloomer. 40 cents each, $3.00 for ten. All other Salvias, $2.00 for ten.

SANTOLÍNA (Lavender Cotton): Incàna. Dry soil. 1½'. Fine for edging; can be pruned to suit. Sun. $2.20 for ten, $18.00 per hundred.

*SAPONÁRIA OCYMÓIDES: (See Group 3).

*SAXÍFRAGA (Saxifrage): (See Group 3).


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*SÈDUM (Stonecrop): Var.: Acre 3/". Very dwarf rock plant with yellow bloom. Var.: Stoloniferum. Trailing plant with pinkish blooms. July, August. $2.40 for ten. Var.: Spathulifolium. Glauous foliage and yellow blooms. 60 cents each. Var.: Spathulifolium atropurpureum. Recently drawing highly favorable comment from plant hunters. Sheets of this in our state of California are arresting. Decidedly glaucous to purplish leafage with yellow blossoms. Emphasis being laid on the beautiful foliage. 75 cents each (ready in autumn). Var.: Spectabile. 2'. Rubbery grey foliage, pink blossoms in August and September. $2.00 for ten.


*SISYRÌNCHIUM GRANDIFLORUM (Large-flowered blue-eyed grass): 1'. Sun. May, June. Rock or wild garden. $2.00 for ten.


STOKESIA CYÀNEA (Stokes's Aster): 1-1½'. August, early October. Shaggy, picturesque, lavender-blue aster. $2.20 for ten.

SWEET WILLIAM: We raise this lovely plant in separate colors. “Pink Beauty,” salmon-rose; White, like a beautiful fragrant phlox; “Fairy,” varying shades of light salmon, “Dark Crimson,” very dark maroon; “Rich Crimson,” wine color; and rose pink. $1.80 for ten, $17.00 per hundred.


THERMÔPSIS CAROLINIANA: 2-4'. Yellow. Early June to mid-July. Erect lupine-like
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plant, clover-like leaves. Associated with larkspurs it is attractive. $2.70 for ten.

TRADESCÂNTIA VIRGINIÂNA (Spiderwort): Reed-like foliage. Blue blossoms. Late May. Late August. $2.20 for ten.

*TRÓLLIUS EUROPÀÉUS (Mt. Globe Flower): (See Group 3).

VALERIÂNĂ OFFICINÁLIS (Common Valerian or Garden Heliotrope): 2-5'. Sun. Plant this old favorite for its fragrance. White blossoms in June. $2.00 for ten.


VINCA MINOR: Glossy ground cover with blue blossom. Pot grown or field grown. $2.20 for ten. $15.00 per hundred.

*VIOLA: (See Group 3).

*YÚCCA: Var.: Filamentosa (Adam’s Needle): 6'. 3-year plants. $2.40 for ten. Specimen plants for immediate effect. 50 cents each. Var.: Glaucà. Smaller growing Yucca with gray-green leafage. $2.40 for ten.

Note: Plants designated by * suitable, though not confined, to rock planting.

GROUP 5

Bulbs

We enjoy an excellent business in bulbs, handling only first class products.

HYACINTHUS CANDICANS (Galtonia): 3-4'. Late July-August. Pendant white bells droop from tall stalks. Started plants 25 cents each in pots, which may be plunged in the ground three inches deep ad libitum. Among the Iris an idea.

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TUBEROSE (Mexican Everblooming): This single pure white tube rose, we sell, started in pots at $1.00 a dozen. Scattered through the garden, this will furnish delightful fragrance the entire season.

Camássiá, Lilies, Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips and all spring blooming bulbs furnished on order. Come to Cherry Meadow Gardens when the tulips are in bloom and make your selection.

GROUP 6

Potted House Plants

To meet a demand from our patrons, we are growing a selected number of interesting plants for the home window.

Please let us know if you desire to be on our special "House Plant" mailing list, and we will post you when we have attractive offerings.

The Winter-Port Bird Shelter

We are making this quaint feeding shelter in our shop. Something with a mission, both artistic and unique. Its straw-thatched roof furnishes a delightful touch to the garden or grounds. Complete with grain hopper and suet holder $29.50.

Garden Making

In addition to the making and remaking of perennial gardens, we are having numerous calls to plant picking gardens which shall furnish a wealth of cut flowers for the house throughout the summer.

So seasonal is the planting of this type of garden that it will be a mutual benefit if you can let us know as soon as possible your desires, so that we may make reservations for you of both time and plants.

In the autumn we include in our garden work, bulb planting which might justly be mentioned with the fine arts, such enchanting color combinations with the lovely spring blooming perennials can be achieved.

"For who would sleep in summer time, and who Miss the recurring joys of sun and dew? Then let us rise and deck the garden world And fling our share of incense to the blue."

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Prices in this catalog are F.O.B. Framingham, Mass. We ship via R.R. Express unless we can make better delivery by motor truck.

We cannot ship annuals by parcel post, and prefer not to ship perennials that way, because when expressed we can make a type of package more favorable to the arrival of the plants in good condition, a mutual benefit.

Please add ten cents to each tray of annuals to be shipped for special packing required.

Terms

Our terms are cash with order, unless by special agreement. The expense of bookkeeping for a large quantity of orders would be prohibitive.

Rates

It will be noted that we are making a minimum charge for single plants of 35 cents because of labor involved.

Five plants or more of an identical kind are at the ten rate.

Business Hours

Our hours of business are from eight in the morning till five in the afternoon.

Sunday we observe as a day of rest.

Our gardens are open to visitors at all times whether they are buyers or not.

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Messages from Garden Friends

From Brookline, Massachusetts. 7/30/30.
Dear Miss Belches:
The flowers are in full bloom and the garden is almost spectacular! I wish you could see it and am most grateful to you for sending me such exuberant plants. S. W. B.

From Litchfield, Conn. 9/30.
I have been the envy of all my friends. The flowers have been perfectly beautiful all summer, and have been a source of joy to me. Not one plant failed me. E. B. B.

I believe that Liberty H. Bailey's Cyclopaedia of Horticulture and Mabel Cabot Sedgwick's The Garden Month by Month, which two agree, should be sufficient authority to establish a criterion on which to base a uniform pronunciation of plant names. We are therefore accepting them as our authority in accenting the syllables in this catalog.