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Wholesale Price List

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A Selected Set of the Very Best Species of

Californian

...Bulbs...

Suitable to the General Trade

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To the Trade Generally.

During the last ten years I have been growing the bulbs of the Western United States in large numbers and have had nearly all of the known species in my garden and often many forms of the same thing. In my tests I have grown each sort in many soils and exposures and have had an excellent opportunity, both through my own experiments and from the reports received from the Eastern United States and Europe, to judge of the comparative merits of the different varieties. Research is developing wonderful variety in all of these plants, and with so many beautiful colors to choose from, the time has come, it seems to me, to begin the elimination of weak or poor forms, and the selection and dissemination of only the best ones. From a gardener's standpoint the plants which with beauty have the best qualities as growers, are the ones to be retained. To this end I offer to the trade the following preferred list in which, without any consideration of price, I recommend the very best species to make a representative offering. I do not mean by this list that the other species have no merits, but my recommendation is that in ordering, the trade take this preferred list first. And of this preferred list my choice would follow the numerical order. I shall in the future as in the past spare no pains to secure not only new species, but will also test lots of old species from many localities for experimental tests, that I may be able to find which have the greatest vitality
and best growing qualities. It was in my garden that the vigor of Calochortus Vesta was discovered, a species which compared to the next best is in vigor three to one, and is one of the most beautiful as well. All of my recommendations are based on actual wide experience through a term of years.

Best Brodiaeas.

2 B Candida, large, light blue flowers in umbels ........................................ $5.00
3 B peduncularis, white, in immense umbels, an unusually fine grower .................................................. 3.00
4 B ixioides splendens, flowers light yellow in umbels ........................................ 3.00
5 B lactea lilacina, lilac in umbels, a strong grower...................................................... 2.25
6 B Californica, largest of all Brodiaeas, pinkish purple ........................................ 3.00
7 B stellaris, in low starlike clumps, brilliant waxy purple ........................................ 1.50
10 B capitata var alba, waxy white flowers in heads ........................................ 3.00
8 B volubilis, twining stalk, pink flowers .................................................................

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1 B Howelii var lilacina, a delicate blending of milky white and lilac ........................................ 4.50
B Volubilis and B Coccinea, while the most striking of all Brodiaeas, do not give as satisfactory a percentage of bloom as the others.

Bloomeria aurea, fine yellow flowers in umbels

Best Calochorti.—Mariposa Tulips.

10 C splendens var atroviolacea brilliant purple, the best grower of the splendens section, which however lacks the vitality of some of the Venustus group

2 C Venustus purpurascens, large flowers in deep lilac to purple, an excellent grower

5 C Venustus El Dorados, exceedingly varied and brilliant, the finest of Calochorti in color, fair grower

Gold blotched
Red or pink
Deep purple
Creamy white
Mixed selected bulbs

3 C Venustus robusta, brilliant, white to deep purple, a splendid grower

4 C Venustus citrinus, rich lemon, good grower

1 C Vesta, the Calochortus for general planting, large and showy and by far the best grower

Good bulbs
Very large

9 C Clavatus, a very large and brilliant flower, orange in color, a fair grower, only

7 C Plummerae, rich lavendar purple lined with silky hairs, very
showy but only a fair grower. .................. 7.50

8 C Gunnisonii, a very lovely thing in white with green bars, a fair grower only. .................. 3.00 20.

10 C Macrocarpus, a large and brilliant flower in lavender, banded green, rather difficult to grow. .... 4.50 30.

6 C Nitidus, large lilac flower, with a deep purple blotch in center of petal, very hardy and and an excellent grower. ............. 6.00

Calochorti—Star Tulips.

1 C albus, pearly white globes. ........ $1.50 10.

3 C amoenus, same, rose colored 4.50 30.

2 C pulchellus, similar, deep yellow. .................. 1.50 10.

6 C maweanus var major, open cup, white, filled with silky, purple hairs 2.25 15.

7 C Benthamii, similar, yellow. ... 1.50 10.

4 C Purdyii, like C Maweanus but tall, strong and large flowered 4.50 30.

5 C lilacinus, low with fine lilac flowers, very hardy and one of the best of all Calochorti to grow. .......... 1.50 10.

Camassias.

C Leichtlinii, tall with purple flowers. .................. 3.00 20.

C Leichtlinii, cream, tall with cream flowers. .................. 7.50

C Cusickii, very strong and large in bulb, leaf and flower, sky blue. .... 6.00 45.

C esculenta. large, purple. A large plant with deep purple flowers, the best strain of C esculenta. ....
Erythroniums.

5 E grandiflorum, unmottled leaves and very bright yellow flowers .............................................. 4.50 30.

6 E revolutum, leaves mottled lightly, flowers large, white, tinted lilac to purple, fine.................. 3.00 20.

2 E revolutum Johnsonii, same, rose red ................................................................. 6.00 45.

7 E revolutum Watsonii, same, cream ................................................................. 3.00 20.

4 E revolutum albiflorum, same, white ......................... 7.50

8 E giganteum, tall and several flowered, cream .................. 1.50 10.

1 E Hartwegii, flowers on separate stems, light yellow .......... 2 25 15.

3 E Hendersonii, pale purple, with a very dark purple centre........ 4.50 30.

9 E citrinum, opening pale straw, becoming white with lemon centre, very early .......... 4.50 30.

All of these Erythroniums are fine. E grandiflorum alone is in any way difficult to grow. On account of its earliness, easy growth and more particularly the fact that its bulbs are very solid and can be handled dry as easily as the bulbs of a Crocus, E Hartwegii is the best species for the trade. The numbers are principally to show the selection to secure a distinct set of colors. All are beautiful, hardy and satisfactory and I am taking unusual pains to secure find bulbs.
Fritillarias.

F pluriflora, a strong hardy root, a splendid grower, flowers a fine red and showy..................

F recurva, scarlet, the finest of all Fritillarias, but not a reliable bloomer............................

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F pudica, a clear, bright yellow, early, handsome and an excellent grower.................................. 4.50 30.

For Lilies See List.

Trilliums.

Trillium Sessile var Californicum a strong, hardy plant with large, white flowers, splendid for naturalising in cool, shaded spots............... 4.50 30.

Dodecatheons.

Dodecatheons, these are all good, and plants which can be used to good advantage for popular culture. They are early, perfectly hardy anywhere, and easily handled dry. See list for varieties

D Clevelandii alba, a white form of this lovely species, so far the best known, very hardy and fine....... 4.50 30.