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Fall Bulb Catalogue, 1897

American Bulb Company

BULBS

Rare Flower Roots

Plants, Seeds and Garden Requisites

SHORT HILLS, NEW JERSEY

SUCCESSORS TO BULB AND SEED BUSINESS
Pitcher & Manda
AMERICAN BULB COMPANY

SHORT HILLS, = = = N. J.

(Successors to the Bulb and Seed Business of PITCHER & MANDA.)

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AMERICAN BULB COMPANY takes great pleasure in announcing to their many old customers and friends, that they have purchased from Pitcher & Manda their entire Bulb and Seed Business, including right, interest and good-will, and are now in position to supply at low prices the highest grades of bulbs and seeds on the market. All the old employees and management of this extensive business under Pitcher & Manda have been retained by the American Bulb Company, and customers may depend upon their orders receiving prompt and careful attention at all times.

PROMPT EXECUTION OF ORDERS. This is something that will be greatly appreciated by all customers. Under our new system, orders will be filled immediately upon receipt, providing the goods ordered are then in season.

THIS CATALOGUE. "A. B. C. LITTLE BOOK OF BULBS AND RARE FLOWER ROOTS." This little catalogue and descriptive price-list is designed especially for those at a distance who may order and receive by mail or prepaid express, their supply of bulbs, seeds, etc. Our representatives travel all over the United States and Canada and they will be pleased to call upon anyone who may be in the market for bulbs, plants, or seeds to the amount of $100 or more. Anyone who has had experience in canvassing, or would like to make money during their spare moments, would do well to send us their name and address for particulars, as we have something that will interest them.

OUR SYSTEM OF DOING BUSINESS. Read carefully before making out order.

Use addressed envelope and order-sheeet bound in each copy of this Catalogue.

Write your name and address very plainly. Always give street address or P. O. Box number if you reside in a large city, and county if in a small town.

TERMS—Cash with order. We guarantee safe receipt of your remittance, if a Money Order is sent. Buy a Money Order on Short Hills, N. J., otherwise send Bank Draft on New York, currency in registered letter, or postage stamps for small amounts. Please do not ask for credit; or to have goods sent C. O. D., unless 25 per cent. of amount is remitted in advance.

POSTAGE AND EXPRESS CHARGES. We pay all transportation charges where so stated in this catalogue. All each and dozen prices include postage or expressage. Large quantities at 100 and 1000 prices may be safely shipped by freight. We deliver to freight and express offices free of charge.

MISTAKES WILL HAPPEN SOMETIMES. Notify us of same immediately in as few words as possible, and the same will be rectified to your satisfaction.

Please address all communications

AMERICAN BULB COMPANY, ——
Short Hills, N. J.
**ORDER SHEET.**

**AMERICAN BULB COMPANY,**
Bulbs, Plants and Seeds,
..... SHORT HILLS, N. J.

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If Your Order Amounts to $5.00 or More We Send Free One Commencement Souvenir Collection.
CHEAP COLLECTIONS of BULBS. We prepay the Expressage.

A. B. C.

Hardy Flower Garden Collection.

250 Perfectly Hardy BULBS, prepaid by express to any point in the United States, for only $2.50.

These bulbs may be planted outside in the fall, and will withstand the winter in any part of this country. The greatest and most elaborate variety ever offered at the above low price.

12 Hardy Hyacinths, single and double, all different, containing the following colors: Dark Red, Rose, Pure White, Blush White, Light Blue, Dark Blue, Yellow.

72 Tulips, in variety, containing the following colors: Scarlet, White, Rose, Yellow, Striped Violet.

5 Bizarre Tulips, mixed colors.
5 Gesneriana Tulips, finest Tulip in cultivation.
5 Parrot Tulips, mixed colors.
20 Narcissus, in 7 varieties.
6 Campernelle Jonquils.
60 Crocus, in following colors, separate: White, Yellow, Blue, Purple and Striped.

Each and every variety and color is correctly labeled. Prepaid by express for only $2.50.

A. B. C. WINDOW GARDEN COLLECTION.

60 Large BULBS in 41 different varieties, prepaid by express for $1.75.

A continuous bloom from Christmas to Easter. Bulbous plants in many varieties and colors. A beautiful show of rainbow colors and sweet perfumes at a small cost. Following is an itemized list of this complete assortment.

4 Holland Hyacinths, all different.
3 Dutch Roman Hyacinths, all different.
8 Named Tulips, single and double, all different.
6 Narcissus, or Daffodils, all different.
3 Roman Hyacinths, all different.
6 Freesia refracta alba.
6 Sweet Scented Jonquils.
1 Easter Lily.
1 Chinese Sacred Lily.

60 BULBS delivered at your door, all charges prepaid for $1.75.

1 Lilium Longiflorum, or Japan Easter Lily.
1 Lilium Candidum, or Bridal Lily.
10 Chionodoxas, or Glory of the Snow.
10 Iris, mixed colors.
24 Siberian Hyacinths.
13 Snowdrops.
6 Anemones.
DUTCH HYACINTHS.—Cultivation.

By careful management, Hyacinths may be had in bloom from early winter to the end of May, and their handsome spikes and great variety of colors, combined with their easy culture, recommend them to every one.

For winter blooming they may be grown either in soil in pots, or in water. The soil best suited is a mixture of fibrous loam, manure, and sand, and the bulb should be planted to only half its depth. The pots should then be buried in the soil or covered with leaves until the roots have made a good growth. Before the ground freezes solid they should be brought into a cool and dark cellar, from which they may be taken a few at a time into the warmth and light of the living room, when they will soon throw out their flower spikes.

For culture in glasses, it is best to choose only the single named varieties of strongest growth, to secure the best satisfaction. The water should be soft or rain water, and the bulb supported so that only its base touches the water. By putting a few pieces of charcoal in the water it will not become offensive, or it may be changed occasionally. The bulb should be kept for about two weeks in a cool and dark room until the roots have made a start, when they can be brought into light and air.

For open air blooming, the bulbs should be planted in the an umm in a well-enriched, light garden soil, about 4 inches below the surface of the ground, and about 9 inches apart each way. They will require no further attention, except to cover the beds, after the ground is frozen, with a layer of leaves or evergreen boughs, and even this is unnecessary in most situations.

SELECTED NAMED SINGLE HYACINTHS.

For Culture in Glasses or Pots.

The named Hyacinths, especially the single varieties, are of stronger growth, and are especially recommended for pot and glass culture. Six sold at dozen rates.

SINGLE RED AND PINK.

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REMEMBER THAT A PREMIUM ACCOMPANIES EVERY ORDER.
DUTCH HYACINTHS—Continued.

SINGLE BLUE—Continued.

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LITTLE GEM. Lily of the Nile, or... White Trumpet Lily.

Who does not know and admire the chaste White Trumpet Lily, or Calla, whose only objection is that it makes too large a plant. The true LITTLE GEM is this famous Lily in miniature, perfect in every detail. (See illustration on page 15.)

Price, 20 cts. each; $2.00 per doz., postpaid.

SELECTED NAMED DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

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BANNER COLLECTION OF GORGEOUS HYACINTHS.

**RED 3, WHITE 3, BLUE 3.**

9 Large, Strong Bulbs, each of three colors in 9 distinct named varieties, including the famous SNOWDRIFT HYACINTH. All correctly labeled.

POSTPAID FOR $1.00.

WE ARE GIVING AWAY Bulbs and Seeds as Commencement Souvenir Collections—A. B. Co. (See last page of cover.)
DUTCH HYACINTHS—Continued.

A Bed of Iris
(FLEUR DE LIS).

THE RAINBOW FLOWER.
Plant a bed of these beautiful ancient flowers.

25 BULBS POSTPAID FOR 40 CTS.
Read description on page 18.

UNNAMED HYACINTHS.

MIXED SHADES FOR BEDDING.
All separate colors and mixed, much cheaper than the named varieties and recommended for outside planting. Although the spikes are not quite so large and perfect as in the named varieties, the price of these unnamed Hyacinths will recommend them for bedding or for growing for cut flowers. Ours are all selected bulbs, certain to throw an abundance of bloom.

Six sold at dozen rate, 25 at 100 rate, 250 at 1000 rate.

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SPECIAL

Hyacinth Collection,

—ALL COLORS—
Every Bulb in a separate package, correctly labeled.
Every Color—single and double, dark red, rose, light blue, dark blue, pure white, blush white and yellow.
12 Bulbs in all. Postpaid 80 cts.

MINIATURE HYACINTHS.

Dwarf growing varieties, which may be planted a dozen or more in one large pot, or may be grown in water. They are very pretty and interesting, and serve especially well for cutting. As they are very cheap, they can be planted in quantity at no great expense.

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Miniature Hyacinth.

SPECIAL! 1 Bulb each of 6 different Miniature Hyacinths postpaid for 20 cents.

IF IN DOUBT—Order the A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir Bulb and Seed Collection. (See last page of cover.)
EARLY ROMAN HYACINTHS.

These are the Hyacinths so extensively grown by florists for winter cutting. Planted in pots or boxes in August or September, kept in a dark place until rooted and then put before a sunny window, they will bloom by Christmas, or may be retarded by keeping in a cool cellar and brought in in succession until March or April. The colored Romans flower about two weeks later than the white ones.

250 are supplied at the 1000 rate, 25 at the 100 rate, and 6 at the dozen rate.

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Roman Hyacinth Collection, 10 BULBS.

2 Each, White, Blue, Light Rose, Dark Rose, White Italian.

POSTPAID FOR 45 CENTS.

WHITE ITALIAN HYACINTHS.

Also known as Red Skin White Romans, and are much grown by florists around Paris. They bloom about two weeks later than the ordinary White Roman Hyacinth. 5 cts. each; 25 cts. per doz., postpaid; $3.00 per 100; $25.00 per 1000.

BERMUDA BUTTERCUP OXALIS:

Produces upwards of 1000 Flowers in a Single Season. Read description on page 12.

PRICE 5c. EACH; 50c. PER DOZ., POSTPAID.

GRAPE HYACINTHS.

Little globular flowers in slender spikes. Admirable for naturalizing in a shady place, where they will spread rapidly, and take full care of themselves, coming up in spring with their bright blue flower spikes in profusion. The cut flowers are very pretty for decorative work. 3 cts. each; 25 cts. per doz., postpaid.

The A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir Bulb and Seed Collection is the largest assortment and quantity of Bulbs ever offered for the money.
TULIPS.

Tulips are of easiest culture, whether in pots in the house or in the open ground. For open air blooming, the bulbs should be planted in October or November, in a light, rich soil, 5 to 6 inches apart, and 3 to 4 inches deep. They are admirably suited for beds on the lawn; for brilliancy and variety of coloring in spring they are unequalled. After blooming, the bulbs may be lifted, or other bedding plants, such as Geraniums, Coleus, etc., may be planted directly above them, and occupy the ground until frost. For the convenience of those selecting varieties for bedding, we state below the height to which the different varieties grow, and their comparative times of blooming. The single-flowered varieties, on the whole, give more perfect results for bedding.

For pot culture, the same soil as we recommend for Hyacinths will be found most suitable. The pots may be buried in soil or ashes until the bulbs are well rooted, when they may be brought into light and gentle heat.

Six supplied at dozen rate, 25 at 100 rate.

SINGLE TULIPS—Finest Named Varieties.

These are the varieties which give such brilliant results in spring, when planted in masses of separate or contrasting colors. If planted after due consideration of time of blooming and height when blooming, most elegant effects may readily be attained.

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A Houseful of Flowers. A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir Collection. (See last page of cover.)
THE Annunciation Lily.

Perfectly hardy. (See illustration on page 13.)

10c. each; 3 for 25c., postpaid.

SINGLE TULIPS Continued.

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"DAFFYDOWNDILLY" COLLECTION.

12 Daffodils, or Narcissus, all different, correctly labeled, Postpaid for 60 cts. See page 10.

TULIPS—Mixed, All Colors.

SINGLE—Best Assortment.

These are especially recommended for bedding in large or small masses, where economy in expenditure as well as brilliancy in effect is desirable. Our mixtures are made up of selected flowering-size bulbs, and include an abundance of bright colored varieties, growing the same height and flowering the same time.

Extra Selected Varieties Mixed. Made up of the finest named sorts in mixture. Price, 30c. per doz., postpaid; $1.50 per 100; $10.00 per 1000.

Cheap Single Mixed Tulips.

In this grade we include all the most popular colors, and, while not as large bulbs as our BEST ASSORTMENT, for planting in beds, will give excellent results. Price, 15c. per doz., postpaid; 85c. per 100; $6.00 per 1000.

FREE—An A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir Collection sent free to anyone making up a Club of FIVE.
DOUBLE TULIPS—Best Named Varieties.

The Double Tulip, while not so popular as the Single, the several really good sorts here offered will be found unsurpassed for bedding or growing in pots.

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<td>Murillo. Superb blush-white...2nd</td>
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<td>Tournesol. Scarlet and yellow...1st</td>
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<td>Tournesol. Large golden yellow...3d</td>
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20 SINGLE TULIPS
IN 20 VARIETIES.
Postpaid for
60 cents.

TULIPS—Mixed, all Colors.

DOUBLE—Best Assortment.

These are selected from named varieties only—are large bulbs—will grow the same height and flower at the same time.

Price, 35 cts. per doz., Postpaid; $1.25 per 100; $11.00 per 1000.

Cheap Double Mixed Tulips.

Contain every color known in Double Tulips.

Price, 20 cts. per doz., Postpaid; $1.00 per 100; $7.00 per 1000.

All the Popular Flowers are represented in our A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir Collection. (See last page of cover.)
PARROT TULIPS.

The Parrot Tulips have very striking colors, the petals are curiously slashed, and the form, especially before the flower opens, somewhat resembles the beak of the parrot. Our mixture of Parrot Tulips contains a great variety of colors. Used principally for bedding and late flowering; can also be forced successfully.

Fine Mixed. Large, strong stock. Price, each, 5 cts.; per doz., 50 cts., postpaid; per 100, $2.00; per 1000, $12.00.

LATE FLOWERING SHOW TULIPS.

Like the Parrot Tulips, for outdoor cultivation, but differing from that variety by coming into bloom later and in being somewhat taller. They are quite as singular and pleasing, and are greatly grown for exhibition.

GESNERIANA.

The oldest and finest Tulip in cultivation. Produces flowers of intense, dazzling crimson, on flower stocks two to three feet high.

Price, 4 cts. each; 35 cts. per doz., postpaid; $1.75 per 100; $12.00 per 1000.

BYBLOEMENS AND BIZARDS.

These somewhat resemble the Gesneriana Tulip, producing large blooms on branching stems, one to two feet high.

Bizards Mixed—Price, 3 cts. each; 25 cts. per doz., postpaid; $1.20 per 100; $10.00 per 1000.

Bybloemens Mixed—Price, 4c. each; 35c. per doz., postpaid; $1.75 per 100; 12.00 per 1000.

MEMORIAL TULIPS,

3 VARIETIES
3 OF EACH.
Postpaid for 25 cts.

Take orders for the A B C. Commencement Souvenir Collection. With every five we send one extra. Prepaying postage or expressage.
NARCISSUS, OR DAFFODILS.

These bulbs are especially fine for outdoor work, and when used for this purpose should be planted in a moderately rich soil, being careful to avoid the use of fresh manure, and the earlier in the autumn they are in the ground the better. The bulbs should be set 3 or 4 inches deep, unless it is intended to plant other flowers over them in the summer, in which case it is better to plant 6 inches deep. It is advisable not to disturb the bulbs oftener than once in 3 or 4 years, when they will need thinning out; if taken up every year, like Hyacinths, they do not seem to prosper.

Most of the species are amenable to forcing, and millions of such varieties as Early Paper White, Double Roman, Von Sion, etc., are-cultivated every year by florists. They should be planted as instructed for Hyacinths, and kept in a cool place for 3 or 4 weeks until roots have formed, when the two first named may be forwarded in heat, though most species do better if kept moderately cool.

Six are furnished at the dozen rate, 25 at the 100 rate.

**Bicolor Horsfieldii.** (King of Daffodils). Pure white perianth; rich golden yellow trumpet; very large, and one of the finest for cut flowers.

**Incomparabilis Stella alba.** Pure white; cup golden yellow; for forcing.

**Poeticus.** (Pleasant's Eye, or Poet's Narcissus). Pure white, with red cup; very fragrant. $5.00 per 1000

**Poeticus ornatus.** Flowers a month earlier, and is more symmetrical than the ordinary Poeticus, both of the same color and larger.

**Princeps.** Perianth white, trumpet yellow; good for forcing.

**Trumpet Major.** Much used for forcing, and the earliest; yellow; trumpet very large and flaring.

**Mixed Single Narcissus**

All Varieties.

Price, 40c. per doz., Postpaid.

$2.00 per 100, $15.00 per 1000.

**Single Narcissus.**

**“Daffydowndilly” Collection.**

A beautiful assortment in many varied forms. A wide range of varieties at special low rates.


12 Varieties, Postpaid, for 60 cts.

**BULBS-SEEDS. A Magnificent Assortment for indoor and outdoor culture. Our Commencement Souvenir Collection.**
Double Narcissus.

The double Narcissi, particularly the double yellow Von Sion, are among the most popular bulbous flowers. Our bulbs are large and strong, and will produce extra large and beautiful blooms.

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<td>Alba plena odorata</td>
<td>Double white, fragrant; much used by florists</td>
<td>$0.50 per 1000, $0.30 each, $0.50 per dozen</td>
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<td>Incomparablis</td>
<td>Double yellow perianth and orange cup; a good forcing variety</td>
<td>$0.40 per 100, $0.30 per 1000</td>
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<td>Orange Phenix</td>
<td>Double white; a very showy variety</td>
<td>$0.60 each, $3.50 per dozen</td>
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<td>Von Sion</td>
<td>The double Yellow Daffodil; flowers very full; extensively used for forcing</td>
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Mixed Double Narcissus

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Polyanthus, or Bunch Flowering Narcissus

The varieties of this group produce spikes of sweet-scented flowers, and are best suited for forcing or planting in pots in the house. The Double Roman and Paper White may be had in bloom by Christmas.

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<td>Double Roman</td>
<td>Double white, with orange nectary; much used for forcing and pot culture, and is one of the earliest for that purpose</td>
<td>$0.50 each, $3.00 per 100, $2.00 per 1000</td>
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Polyanthus Narcissus, Paper White grandiflora

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<td>3 for 50 cts.</td>
<td>Three each of the above Jonquils, postpaid</td>
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CHINESE SACRED LILY OR FLOWER OF THE GODS

This is a variety of the Polyanthus Narcissus and is known by several other names, as "Water Fairy Flower," "Joss Flower," and "Chinese New Year's Lily." They are of the easiest culture in water, and are very decorative. The bulbs should be placed in a pretty dish or bowl, with pebbles around them to keep them in position, and the vessel filled with water, which should be changed from time to time. The growth is very rapid, and 50 to 60 flowers, borne on 8 to 10 spikes, are often produced from a single bulb. The flowers are waxy white, with a yellow center, and are very sweet-scented.

Large Selected Bulbs, 20 cts. each, $2.00 per dozen, postpaid. $9.00 per 100.

BERMUDA BUTTERCUP OXALIS.

The Oxalis is perhaps as popular and as great a favorite for home and window decoration as any other plant. This it well deserves, as no plant is more simple in cultivation or gives such a lasting profusion of blossom in so short a time after planting. The Bermuda Buttercup Oxalis is not claimed to be a strictly new plant, but a great improvement over the type to which it belongs (Oxalis cernua); and the introducer’s description, which we give herewith, has been endorsed by most of the leading florists who have tried it.

"This is one of the finest winter-flowering plants for pot culture that we have ever seen; it is such a strong, luxuriant grower that one bulb will be sufficient for a 6 to 8 inch pot. The flowers are of the purest bright buttercup-yellow. Well-grown plants have produced as high as seventy flower stems at one time and over 1000 flowers in one season."

5 cts. each, 50 cts. per doz., postpaid. $3.00 per 100.

Oxalis, mixed varieties, 4 cts. each, 35 cts. doz., postpaid. $2.00 per 100.

HARDY FLOWER GARDEN COLLECTION.

250 HARDY BULBS

By Express, prepaid, for $2.50.

SEE LIST OF VARIETIES ON PAGE 1.

You can make bright with beautiful flowers the darkest spot in your garden or yard by purchasing one of our mammoth Collections on last page of cover.
EASTER LILIES.

The well-known Lilies so much grown by florists for church decoration at Easter, and other purposes. Pot the bulbs in a good mixture of leaf-mould, loam and sand, with the addition of some well-decayed cow manure. In the bottom of the pots place enough broken crocks to insure good drainage, over which put a layer of clean sand. Place the Bulbs one inch below the surface of the soil. (The Lilium candidum should have only a thin sifting of soil over the top of the Bulb). After potting give a good supply of water, and bury the pots in coal ashes in a frame, or place in a cool dark cellar where neither frost nor light can touch them, watering very sparingly—just enough to keep them from drying out. When they are in good root action, bring into a room where the temperature ranges from about 50 degrees at night to 65 degrees during the day. When the flower buds form, feed the plants with weak liquid manure several times a week. Give the plants as much sunlight as possible until the buds are nearly developed, after which the flowers may be retarded, if desired, by placing in a shaded position. When fully opened keep the plants in a cool room.

True Bermuda Easter Lily
(Lilium Harrisii.)

**Fine Bulbs**, 5 to 7 inches in circumference; each bulb producing from 8 to 12 flowers. 15 cts. each; $1.50 per doz., postpaid; $5.00 per 100.

**Large Bulbs**, 7 to 9 inches in circumference, producing from 8 to 12 flowers. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz., postpaid; $10.00 per 100.

**Extra Large Bulbs**, 9 to 11 inches in circumference, each bulb bearing 12 to 15 flowers. 50 cts. each; $5.00 per doz., postpaid; $20.00 per 100.

Bermuda Easter Lily.
(Lilium Longiflorum.)

Grown on the Bermuda Islands. Much superior to Japan grown bulbs. Makes a better pot plant than Lilium Harrisii.

**Fine Bulbs**, 5 to 7 inches in circumference, producing from 6 to 8 flowers. 20 cts. each; $2.00 per doz., postpaid; $7.00 per 100.

**Large Bulbs**, 7 to 9 inches in circumference, producing from 8 to 12 flowers. 30 cts. each; $3.00 per doz., postpaid; $12.00 per 100.

Japan Easter Lily.
(Lilium Longiflorum.)

Very similar to *L. Harrisii*, preferred by some to that variety on account of its better growth of foliage. It is hardy with slight protection, and then blooms in June and July.

**5 to 7 inch Bulbs** produce from 6 to 8 flowers. 10 cts. each; $1.00 per doz., postpaid; $4.00 per 100.

**7 to 9 inch Bulbs** produce from 8 to 12 flowers. 15 cts. each; $1.25 per doz., postpaid; $5.00 per 100.

Bridal, or Annunciation Lily.
(Lilium Candidum.)

The white Lily of the garden, and thoroughly hardy; is one of the most useful of Lilies for forcing.

**Fine Large Bulbs**, 10 cts. each; $1.00 per doz., postpaid; $5.00 per 100.

For Quantity and Quality our Commencement Souvenir Collection has never been equaled.
HARDY JAPANESE LILIES.

Lilies are easily cultivated. The ground should be carefully dug and abundantly supplied with well-rotted manure, planting the bulbs six inches deep, after which they require very little care or attention, except to occasionally stir the soil and keep free of weeds. To secure best results the bulbs should be planted in the fall.

The Golden-Banded Lily of Japan.
(Lilium Auratum.)
The most gorgeous of all Lilies; requires no special treatment when planted in the open, at this season of the year, and if left undisturbed is perfectly hardy, flowering each summer in greater profusion. Deliciously fragrant.

Large bulbs, 7 to 9 inches in circumference, will produce from 8 to 10 flowers. 20 cts each; $2.00 per doz., postpaid; $4.00 per 100.
Extra large bulbs, 9 to 11 inches in circumference, will produce from 12 to 15 flowers. 30 cts. each; $3.00 per doz., postpaid; $12.00 per 100.

Lilium Speciosum Album.
(Pure White Japan Lance Lily)
Large white flowers of good substance, with a greenish band running through each petal; one of the finest Lilies in cultivation.

Large bulbs, 7 to 9 inches in circumference. 30 cts. each; $3.00 per doz., postpaid; $12.00 per 100.
Extra large bulbs, 9 to 11 inches in circumference. 35 cts. each; $3.50 per doz., postpaid; $18.00 per 100.

Lilium Speciosum Rubrum.
(Dark Red Japan Lance Lily)
White, thickly studded with dark crimson spots; very fine. The best of the Speciosum class.

Large bulbs, 7 to 9 inches in circumference. 25 cts. each; $2.50 per doz., postpaid; $10.00 per 100.
Extra large bulbs, 9 to 11 inches in circumference. 30 cts. each; $3.00 per doz., postpaid; $12.00 per 100.

Lilium Tigrinum.
(Tiger Lily)
Orange-red, spotted with black; an old but still standard variety. 15 cts. each; $1.50 per doz., postpaid.

Brilliant, dazzling purple and crimson to the purest shades of lavender and white are found in the A. B. C. Commencement Souvenir collection.
Calla, or Trumpet Lilies.

Included under this head popularly are several species of curious plants, the type of which is the well-known white Calla Lily, any description of which is unnecessary. These are very extensively grown in greenhouses, and may be had in flower at almost any season. They require a very rich soil—a mixture of good loam and cow manure being suitable, and will live and grow from year to year, if allowed to rest awhile during the summer and are occasionally repotted to supply fresh nourishment.

Little Gem Calla.

This is the true Dwarf Calla; grows about one foot high and produces flowers about one-half size of the ordinary White Trumpet Lily. 20 cts. each; $2.00 per doz., postpaid.

Allium Neapolitanum.

Flowers white, with green stamens; borne in loose umbels on a scape about 15 inches high. The plant may be forced, and is very useful for bouquets. It is free from odor of garlic, which is characteristic of the genus. Each, 3 cts.; per dozen, 25 cts.; per 100, $1.15. Postpaid.

Anemone Fulgens.

Scarlet Wind Flower.

Flowers of the richest scarlet, and of a very graceful habit of growth. They may be had in bloom almost the entire year by planting the bulbs in pots and bringing in a few at a time through the winter; and if set in the open ground in the spring, they will bloom in the autumn.

Each, 5 cts.; per doz., 50 cts., postpaid; per 100, $2.50.

Single, all colors, mixed. Each, 2 cts.; per doz., 20 cts., postpaid; per 100, $1.00.

Double, all colors, mixed. Each, 4 cts.; per doz., 40 cts., postpaid; per 100, $2.00.
CHIONODOXA.

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