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The text is too long to transcribe accurately. It appears to be a pamphlet from the Linnaean Botanic Garden and Nurseries, Flushing, near New York, published in 1834 & 1835. It is addressed to vendors of vegetables, flowers, and trees, and contains descriptions of the seeds, flowers, and trees sold by WM. Prince & Sons. The pamphlet includes a catalogue of new varieties of seeds, flowers, and trees, and a description of the Linnaean Botanic Garden and Nurseries. The text is too fragmented to transcribe accurately.
Every person desirous to engage in the sale of the above named articles, will on application, receive all the information requisite to the object, and such an establishment ought to exist in every town in the Union. The present period is particularly eligible for forming arrangements for business, preparatory to the regular sales.—

Bulbous roots, Dahlias, Peonies, &c. being usually vended in a dry state, can with perfect convenience be made objects of sale in Seed stores, and they will be supplied at so liberal a discount as to make their sale an object of importance. The period for sales is from the 1st of October to 1st of May, but Dahlias will succeed if not planted till the middle of May or 1st of June. Double Dahlias, of named varieties, selected by the Proprietors, will be supplied at $3, $4 50, and $6 per dozen, according to quality and rarity, and these can be retailed at 100 per cent profit. Each Dahlia will be put up separately in moss, ready for sale, when sent to venders. The following species of Bulbs can be vended in the Spring as well as Autumn as they need not be planted till May; Amaryllis Formossissima, or Jacobean Lily, and most others of its class, Tuberoses, Feraria, or Tiger Flowers of all kinds, Crimums, Pancratiums, Zephyranthes of all kinds, and some others. The reduced prices for Bulbous Flower roots by the dozen, and in assortments, are stated in the New Catalogue, and the retail profit thereon is from 25 to 100 per cent.

Great attention has been paid to obtaining from foreign countries the finest Agricultural seeds, among which are the following—Pacey's, and Scotch Perennial Rye Grass; Italian Rye Grass; Venetian Wheat which has produced here 34 bushels to the acre, and other varieties; Skinless Oats; English Potatoes Oats, weighing 44 lbs. per bushel; Early Angus, and Hopetoun Oats, superior to any others in Europe; English, French and Dutch White Clover Seed; Provence Luzerne, the finest known; Trifolium incarnatum, or Crimson Clover, very early; Double crop Sainfoin; Large Lentiles; Vetches of the best varieties; Trefoil, or Yellow Clover; Tailor's Forty-fold, and early Nonpareil Potatoes; now taking precedence of all others, the former being the most productive variety known; Potatoe and White Top Onions; White Italian Mulberry; Large Riga Flax; Superior Barley of two Varieties; Extra large Fuller's Teazel; Mangold Wurzel Beet, of the best variety; Large Yellow, and Large White Sugar Beet, the latter sweetest of all Beets, and the three all very profitable for cattle; Large Yellow Sugar Beet, and Mangold Wurzel; Superior Purple Top Swedish Turnip, or Ruta Baga; Large White, and Large Yellow Field Carrots; the best kinds of Field Turnips and Cabbages, for cattle, &c. The seeds of these can be furnished in large quantities, much below the usual rates, a difference in price of course being made when very large parcels are desired; and where the purchase is made for cash, a discount will be allowed. Those who desire it can forward lists stating quantities wanted, &c. which will be priced by us and returned by the first mail.

Some explanation may be requisite in regard to the course adopted in making sales to venders. The seeds are usually supplied by the pound or bushel; but of the higher priced Vegetable seeds, and of such as are in but little request, parcels of half and quarter pound, and of half, quarter, and eighth bushel will be supplied on similar terms. The wholesale prices are so moderate, that they will afford to the retailer a profit generally of from 100 to 150 per cent, and some kinds 200 per cent, or more when vended at the N. York retail rates. Applications are sometimes made for wholesale quantities to be put up in retail parcels, regularly labelled, &c. and they will be supplied in that manner when required at a discount of 33 1-3 per cent, from the retail rates. Purchasers will readily perceive, however, that they derive much greater advantages on the score of profit by purchasing in the manner first designated. Flower seeds of above 900 beautiful varieties will be supplied to venders in parcels at 25 to 50 cents each, and many varieties can be furnished by the ounce, pound, &c. when so required. They will also be supplied, put up in small parcels for retailing at $2 50 per 100. A liberal credit will be allowed, and where a good understanding is established, there will be no difficulty in arranging this point to mutual convenience, and on this and every other subject the suggestions of correspondents will receive the fullest consideration. The different Treatises hereafter enumerated will be supplied to venders at 20 per cent. discount. A Seed Catalogue containing the New York retail prices, as a guide to venders, will be sent to every applicant. Seeds of the new crop can be supplied in August and September, and
Turnip seeds and some other kinds can be furnished the last of June. When so desired assorted boxes of Seeds can be supplied, selected to suit any part of North or South America, the West Indies, or elsewhere, and of any value from $5 to $100. Implements of Husbandry and Garden Tools of every description. Agricultural and Horticultural Books, and the superior Compressed Dry Herbs, prepared by the Shakers, can be supplied to any extent at their prices.

The Proprietors have further to state, that their Fruit and Ornamental Trees, &c. are of large size and vigorous growth, and superior to any before offered to the public. The establishment contains at the present period more than a Million of Trees and Plants, and the Proprietors are willing to enter into arrangements of the most liberal description both as to prices and credit with all such persons as desire large quantities of Trees, &c., and with those proprietors of Nurseries who wish to extend their collections, and such other persons as wish to establish New Nurseries, they will enter into arrangements on terms which will allow ample time for advantageous reimbursement. Any persons who are desirous to act as agents for receiving orders for Trees, in towns where no agency at present exists, will please to communicate their views in regard thereto. If any correspondents have raised seed of very superior Vegetables, &c. they will please to communicate the fact. Any packages intended for us must be left with A. D. Maintain, corner of South and Beekman streets, New York, but letters should always be transmitted per mail.

REMARKS.—All orders for Fruit and Ornamental Trees, Greenhouse Plants, Bulbous Flowers, Dahlias, or Seeds, must be sent direct to us, or through a regularly authorized agent, and not through the agency of any person who vends similar articles. Every invoice transmitted by us will have a printed heading and our signature, to prove it genuine, and we assume no guarantee whatever, where such an invoice cannot be produced. We mention these cautions for good and conclusive reasons, and we most particularly enjoin their strict observance on purchasers. When orders are sent, directions should be very precisely given how the packages are to be marked, and by what route or conveyance they are to be forwarded, &c. Orders from a distance will always receive the utmost attention, both as to packing and forwarding, and it is only requisite for persons sending orders to specify the extent of land and water carriage, and the articles will be packed accordingly. The packages will be forwarded by such route as shall be designated, and where the option is left to us we will adopt such mode of transmission as shall be most economical and safe. During winter, when the northern rivers and canals are frozen, all packages destined for the Western States, can be sent by the way of New Orleans, or via Philadelphia or Baltimore, to Pittsburgh or Wheeling.

All Proprietors of Nurseries and Venders of Seeds, &c. are invited to visit and inspect our Establishment.

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" " on Fruits, or Pomological Manual, containing accurate descriptions in detail of about 800 varieties of Fruits, in 2 vls. $2

CATALOGUES, which are distributed gratis on application post paid.

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