

ADDRESS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

WE have much pleasure in submitting to your notice, the TWENTIETH ANNUAL EDITION of our Catalogue of Seeds, for the FARM, KITCHEN GARDEN AND FLOWER GARDEN, upon which the most careful attention has been bestowed, and which we feel assured will be found upon examination to far surpass any existing work of a similar description ever published in this country. In its compilation, we have endeavoured not only to furnish the information necessary in such lists, but to make large, and we trust, useful additions, in the shape of copious descriptive and cultural notes for the guidance of Amateurs.

Special attention is devoted to the Seed Department of our business in all its branches, and no expense is spared in testing by trial and comparison in different localities the various new Roots, Vegetables and Flowers; those Seeds that ripen to perfection in this country, are raised under our own supervision. New varieties, and such as are produced in greater perfection in Europe, are annually imported from the most reliable growers in England, France, and Germany. We have as usual secured the finest qualities of every article that could possibly be had, feeling more than ever anxious to maintain the confidence of our customers, and the reputation our house has always enjoyed for supplying only *New and Genuine Seeds*, a practice which has secured for us a most extensive and constantly increasing business.

AGRICULTURAL SEED DEPARTMENT

Will be found as usual very complete. Special attention is also devoted to this important branch of our business. The stocks of TURNIP, CARROT and MANGEL WURTZEL, having been grown specially for our sales by experienced growers from the largest and best shaped roots, cannot fail to give every satisfaction. Our stock of CLOVER, TIMOTHY AND OTHER GRASS SEEDS, are of the finest quality, being carefully re-cleaned before offered for sale, and will be sold at the very lowest market rates.

VEGETABLE SEED DEPARTMENT

Is very extensive and complete, and will be found to contain every variety of established merit, together with many new kinds now offered for the first time in this country, and at the head of each kind has been affixed directions for the time of sowing and mode of treatment, prepared expressly for this climate, forming a concise and useful guide to the cultivator.

FLOWER SEED DEPARTMENT

Contains all that is worthy of cultivation, and embraces all the novelties of recent introduction. The supply of *French and German Asters, German Stocks, Coxcombs, Camelia-flowered Balsams, Hollyhocks, Pansies, Chinese Primrose, Verbena, Sweet Williams, Carnation and Picotte Pinks, Calceolaria, Cineraria and Zinnia Elegans*, are from the same source as those which have for many years past given so much satisfaction.

BRIEF HINTS TO PURCHASERS.

As the Seed Season is only of a few months duration, there is, consequently, a great pressure of business while it lasts. We would, therefore, impress upon our customers and the public the advantage of sending in their orders as early in the season as possible, thereby greatly facilitating the execution of orders, and ensuring greater accuracy and attention. The greatest vigilance is exercised to prevent any error occurring in the execution and forwarding of orders. Should any occur, we will always esteem it a favor to have such errors pointed out, in order that they may be immediately rectified.

TERMS.

Owing to the extended nature of our business connections, and the heavy expenses incurred in collecting accounts, we conduct our business on STRICTLY CASH PRINCIPLES; therefore all orders to receive attention, must be accompanied by a remittance of the amount; or if the Express Company have an office convenient, the bill will be collected on delivery of the goods:

Our New Postal arrangements enable us to forward parcels under three pounds in weight to any Post Office in Canada or the United States, at the rate of one cent per ounce. See Regulations—"Packages of seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots and scions, or grafts, may be posted in Canada for delivery within the Province, or to any address in the United States, on payment by postage stamp of a rate of one cent per ounce, and when received from the United States, addressed to any place in Canada, such package may be delivered on payment by the person addressed of a like rate."

Parties living in the back settlements of our country, will find the above arrangement a very great convenience in getting small assortments of Seeds, &c., &c.

Remittances can be made in current Bank Notes, or, for small orders, in Postage Stamps.

From the central position Hamilton occupies, with Railroads diverging in every direction, Goods can be forwarded with despatch to any part of the Provinces and the United States.

Catalogues mailed to any address on prepaid application.

Sincerely thanking you for past favors, and soliciting a continuance of the same, with your kind recommendations,

We are your Obedient Servants,

1st February, 1871.

JOHN A. BRUCE & CO,