

# Double The Yield of The Garden

## GEM GARDEN COLLECTION

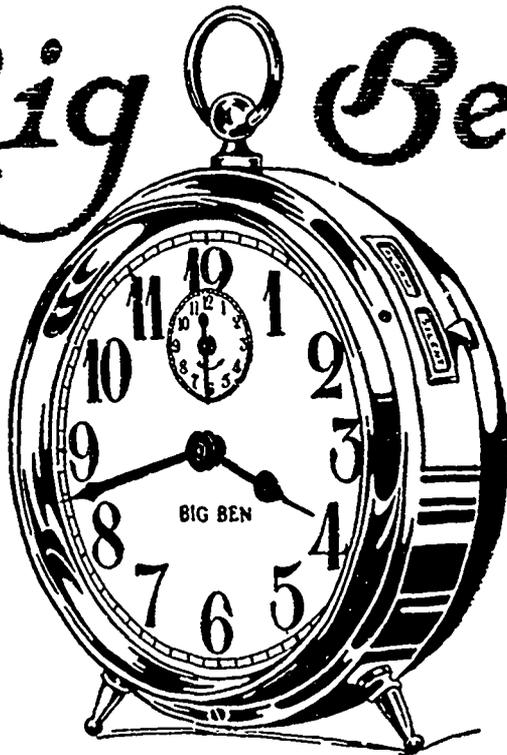
This Complete Collection will stock a moderate-sized Kitchen Garden throughout the Season. \$1.00, Postpaid.

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| 1 lb. Beans... Dwarf Stringless Yellow Pod. | 1 pkt. Onion... Early, Slicing.        |
| 1 lb. Beans... Dwarf Stringless Green Pod.  | 1 pkt. Onion... Early, Boiling.        |
| 1 pkt. Beans... Dwarf Bush Lima.            | 1 pkt. Parsnip... Long White.          |
| 1 pkt. Beet... Round Red                    | 1 lb. Peas... Earliest Dwarf.          |
| 1 pkt. Cabbage... Early.                    | 1 lb. Peas... Medium Early Dwarf.      |
| 1 pkt. Carrot... Intermediate Red.          | 1 pkt. Radish... Early Round Red       |
| 1 lb. Corn... Early Sugar.                  | 1 pkt. Squash... Marrow.               |
| 1 pkt. Cucumber Slicing.                    | 1 pkt. Tomato... Early Smooth Scarlet. |
| 1 pkt. Lettuce... Cabbage Heading.          | 1 pkt. Turnip... Round, White Table.   |

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# Big Ben



## He's Big All Over And Good All Through

Big Ben is built for *endless* service. He has no "off-days," no shut-downs. His four years of existence have been one long record of on-the-dot accuracy. 7,000 Canadian dealers say that he does more *efficient work* for less pay than any other clock alive.

A Big Ben battalion, over 3,000 strong, leaves La Salle, Illinois, every day. Their sparkling triple nickel-plated coats of implement steel; their dominating seven-inch height; their big, bold, black, easy-to-read figures and hands; their big, easy-to-wind keys—all make Big Ben the world's master clock.

In return for one little drop of oil, he'll work for you a full year. From "Boots on" to "Lights out"—365 times—he'll guarantee to tell you the

time o' day with on-the-dot accuracy.

He'll guarantee to get you up either of TWO WAYS—with one long, steady, five-minute ring if you need a good big call, or on the *installment plan*, with short rings one half-minute apart for ten minutes, so you'll wake up *gradually*, and he'll stop short in the middle of a tap during *either* call if you want to shut him off.

Big Ben is a mighty pleasant looking fellow. His big, open honest face and his gentle tick-tick have earned him a place in thousands of *parlors*.

The next time you go to town call at your dealer's and ask to see Big Ben. If your dealer hasn't him, send a money order for \$3.00 to his makers—Westchx, La Salle, Illinois—and he'll come to you prepaid.

## Eastern Annapolis Valley

Eunice Buchanan

Last month I mentioned that I said no sign of aphid on the first batch of apple twigs brought into the house, but on a second lot of Kings and Blenheims brought in later there were aphid.

The demand for nursery trees is not great owing to scarcity of cash. Last year although the season finished with good prices for fruit, the apples were badly spotted and did not pack up to expectation; the year before also produced spotted fruit. However, most of the growers intend to spray more thoroughly than ever, and more than one air-tight sprayer is being imported from the United States.

The forests and shelter belts are rapidly falling before the axe, and already one feels the effects of the strong cold winds as they sweep along the Valley.

The spring is unusually late (some years we have peas planted by the last of March). Snow fell on April 12th, and the following day was very cold, with icicles hanging all day, although we have had days this year with the thermometer as high as 60 degrees.

At this time of the year one is tempted to compare the spring here with that of England, where the snowdrops come in February and the daffodils and narcissi are in full swing in April, and where the fruit trees blossom long before those in Canada; but when autumn comes the tables are turned, for the Canadian fruits are ready to harvest just as soon as the English.

Seed potatoes from Nova Scotia have now also been prohibited in Bermuda; so those growers who have saved their crops for better prices are apt to be disappointed.

Many Englishmen are filling the places of the native hired man (who does not find things as alluring in the States as formerly), so wages are not likely to go higher yet awhile (the highest is about \$40 per month and house). There are many applicants for work, and this year the farmers need to economize; many of them do not care to keep men all winter, or more than one. Pruning has been going on during March and April, but there have been days when the average farmer was puzzled to find a job for his men. The old buck saw and horse are resting on many farms while the gasoline engine cuts the cordwood into stove lengths.

Another cooperative fruit company has been formed in Cambridge, King's county, N.S., with Mr. J. G. Webster as president.

Australian fruit is arriving in England—this, and the poor condition of Nova Scotian fruit on arrival has resulted in a bad drop in prices. The highest being \$4.39 for No. 1 Nonpareils, and \$2.30 for No. 3's. Ben Davis ranging from \$3.76 to \$2.80; Gano, \$4.10 to \$2.60.

## Experimental Work at Ottawa

Four new greenhouses erected for the Horticultural Division at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, are nearing completion, and already two have been occupied. They are what is known as the Person-U-Bar Flat Iron Curved Eave Construction, and will give about seven thousand five hundred square feet under glass. They are heated with hot water from sectional boilers and consist of a main house one hundred and seven feet, six inches long, and twenty-five feet wide, divided into two by a glass partition, and three detached houses twelve feet apart on one side of it, each fifty-eight feet six inches long and