

load whole trains with them for the city markets, and that in quality none of them are so poor as our Early Richmond. The trees are in truth only bushes, a little larger than our currant bushes, and are renewed by cutting out the old stalks and allowing the younger sprouts to take their place as often as age renders them unprofitable.

Now this cherry should be grown in Manitoba and the Northwest with every expectation that it will thrive there and bear abundantly. The Fruit Growers' Association of Ontario has imported some of these Vladimir cherries, and has had some trees propagated from them which are now offered to any one who would like to give them a trial in return for a club of ten subscribers to the *Canadian Horticulturist*. But in order that our friends in the Northwest may be enabled to procure this cherry for trial, in consideration of the expense of transportation, the offer is now made to them of a tree of Vladimir Cherry for every club of five subscribers, accompanied with five dollars, the trees to be securely packed for transportation and delivered either at the Express Office or on board the cars, without charge, as may be directed.

PREMIUMS FOR OBTAINING NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

See the fine assortment of bulbs, plants, shrubs, roses, grape vines, books, &c., &c., which we offer for obtaining a few new subscribers, on pages 3 and 4, January number, 1886.

THE GLADIOLUS.—Of the tender perennials, I find none here so satisfactory as the Gladiolus. It always grows and blooms, is wintered in the cellar as easily as a potato, never rots or has any disease, increases quite rapidly, and has a large range of color.—*Vick's Magazine*.

WHAT THE PEOPLE SAY OF US.

We give below a few extracts from letters received, just as a sample of many. Such expressions of kind appreciation stimulate to yet greater exertions to make the *Canadian Horticulturist* worthy of the support of our horticultural brethren.

The Dahlia sent me this year did first rate; am well pleased with it. We are very much pleased with your magazine. It is the best one of the kind we have struck yet.

J. S. F.

Woodstock, Ont.

DEAR SIR,—I consider the *Canadian Horticulturist* a most valuable publication, so plain and practical, just suited to the needs of our climate and people.

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A. C.

Please find enclosed my renewal subscription to the *Canadian Horticulturist*, which I would not like to be without at any cost. It is a great source of pleasure as well as profit.

Uxbridge.

T. D.

Please continue on as you have done. We do not wish for any stories or witticisms, we want solid facts and information. My locality is unfavourable to apples, plums, grapes, raspberries, etc. Strawberries uncertain. I live in a valley which takes the frost readily, but I like the *Canadian Horticulturist* and think everybody should have it.

Minesing.

S. KERFOOT.

DEAR SIR,—No one ever invested his money in a better way and got more for it, his full penny-worth, in return. The Association is such a credit to the province.

Many housekeepers must thank you for the recipe for making grape jam with the skins retained, it is such an improvement.

G. W.

Cobourg, Dec. 15, 1885.