BOTANICAL DESCRIPTION.

BABY BLUE-EYES.

Nemophila Menziesii. Hook and Arn.

Leaves pinnately parted into seven to nine oblong and sometimes two to three lobed small divisions; corolla from light blue to nearly white, sprinkled with dark dots or spots, at least toward the center or (in cultivation) the spots confluent into a brownish purple eye; its scales narrow and wholly adherent by one edge, the other edge densely ciliate; seeds oval or oblong, either even or more or less tuberculate when ripe.

Low or shady grounds not uncommon. Corolla from half an inch to near an inch in diameter (Brewer & Watson).

YELLOW POPPY.

Eschscholtzia Californica. Cham.

Usually one to one and one-half feet high and rather stout, branching; flowers large, two to four inches in diameter, usually brilliant orange in the center; torus dilated and often broadly rimmed; capsule two and one-half inches long, curved; seeds two-thirds of a line in diameter, reticulated; rhaphe obscure (Brewer & Watson).

LARKSPUR.

Delphinium Californicum. Torrey and Gray.

Stems nearly or quite smooth below; leaves large, three to five-cleft, the divisions variously lobed; racemes strict, close-flowered above; pedicels and flowers densely, velvety pubescent.

Dry soils near the coast. Stems stout, two or more feet high. Lower leaves three to five inches in diameter, usually deeply five-cleft, the divisions cuneate at base and laciniately toothed or lobed. Flowers commonly a light but dull blue, often more or less tinged with violet (Brewer & Watson).

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