

sale. These are divided into different classes: The Show Variety, Fancies, Pompoms, Cactus, Singles and Doubles, Decorative and Reflex, etc., the latter being the most useful for general garden decoration and should be generally cultivated, although I much prefer the Cactus shape. Of the latter, I have grown with success the following named varieties in order of merit:

Miss Violet Morgan, which is a beauty. The base of the florets being a fawn color, shaded towards the edge to a delicate tone of transparent pink.

Matchless, a rich deep velvety maroon of true Cactus shape.

Gloriosa, a deep red shaded scarlet, with large and finely formed flowers.

Mrs. A. Pearl, creamy white.

Robert Cannell, majenta, with bluish tint towards the top of the petals.

Of the Decorative and Reflex the best are Beauty of Wilts, a soft terra cotta.

Germania, white shaded and tinged with flesh.

Maid of Kent, intense cherry red, crimson ground, with pure white tips.

Constance, pure white.

Kaiserin, sulphur-yellow, outer florets tinged with yellow.

Of the Show varieties I have tried the following: John Hicking, the finest clear yellow, of grand form.

Julia Wyatt, a very large creamy white.

Agnes, also a fine yellow.

Wm. Jackson, a large rosy purple of the Fancy varieties.

Prince Henry is a beauty; lilac with right purple stripes, very large.

John Forbes, fawn color, striped maroon.

Eric Fisher, buff, striped with scarlet.

Comedian, orange, ground flaked and speckled, crimson and tipped with white.

The largest Dahlia I have grown was La Colosse, a dull red of good shape, which measured twelve inches across the