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The following articles will be all sent by mail, postage pre-paid. The trees will be good plants, cut back, leaving good roots, thus ensuring good growth the first season, and will be carefully packed. One dollar in cash must accompany each subscriber's name sent in.

No. of New Subscribers.	Value.	No. of New Subscribers.	Value.
*10—Half-bushel of Emporium Black Walnuts, from what is believed to be the most handsome walnut tree, the most important historic tree in Canada, and the best variety of the most valuable wood on this continent. Illustration and particulars of this tree will be given in the Advocate. The only lot to be sold this spring now in sand.	5 00	1—Package consisting of one Virginia Creeper; this is the hardest creeper, very handsome; will thrive in Manitoba; also three of the Alder, or Ash-leaved Maple trees; they are well adapted to all parts of Canada, they are too seldom met with, but should be planted: they appeared the most thriving and most beautiful of deciduous trees that we saw thriving in Manitoba	50
*10—One cutting of new seedling and promising grape; and one plant of the best grape we have yet tested that can be raised unprotected in Canada.	5 00	1—The best Apple specially adapted to the most northern parts that apples will grow.	50
*10—One young Peach Tree—peaches grown have weighed over one pound; only one to be disposed of in Canada this year	5 00	1—The best Crab Apple specially adapted to the most northern parts that apples will grow.	50
*10—Pear tree, new. The most delicious pear we have tasted in America. Only one to be disposed of this year.	5 00	2—One plant, best, earliest maturing and largest Chestnut. Very scarce. See page 355, Dec. No. For trial.	1 00
*10—One package of a new and believed to be a highly valuable Garden Pea.	5 00	1—Three cultivated Chestnut Trees.	50
*10—One package of new Field Corn, earliest maturing, valuable for northern latitudes.	5 00	1—Two Black Walnut Trees.	50
*10—New promising variety of Potato. Considered the best to resist rot.	5 00	1—Two Catalpa Speciosa Trees; a most rapid growing and valuable tree. See page 332, Nov. No. For trial in Western Ontario.	50
3—One Niagara Grape.	1 50	1—One package three varieties of valuable Field Seeds.	50
3—One Empire State Grape.	1 50	1—Package of choice Vegetable Seeds.	1 00
1—One Clinton, one Hartford Prolific Grape and one Delaware Grape. The hardest and most popular varieties.	50	1—Package of choice Flower Seeds.	1 00
1—Two plants of Japanese Ivy; the cleanest, neatest and most handsome of climbers. See page 353, December No. Best adapted for Western Ontario climate.	50	Each of these packages will contain ten varieties, including at least one new variety, to be disposed of by us. Only one of each of the above to be delivered in Canada and one in the United States	

*The names of these varieties are not given for the following reasons:—The farmers of Canada can testify that many of the best cereals and roots they have grown on their farms for the past twenty years have been introduced by the FARMER'S ADVOCATE, and then spread to other parts of the continent (often by changing the names). To prevent this as much as possible, is our reason for withholding the names of these valuable varieties until our subscribers have time to propagate, and thus reap a greater remuneration for their pains. The Australian oats have had their name changed four times since we introduced them. The White Russian wheat was introduced by us many years ago from New Brunswick under the name of the Lost Nation. The Clawson wheat was first introduced by us from the prize farm in New York, and the name altered to the Seneca, etc., etc. These new and valuable varieties have been tested and are now being propagated by some of the best seedsmen and horticulturists in America; they are not yet raised in sufficient quantities to be catalogued, and are not yet named. No pains or expense is spared to procure every new variety that is deemed to be of value to the country.

Further particulars will be given to those obtaining the new varieties, and in due time to the public.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.—Owing to our limited space this month we have to omit several letters which demand answers. We might say, however, that we do the inquirers no injustice, for some have not complied with our conditions, and others, even old subscribers, have asked questions which have been answered over and over again. We would make an exception in favor of new subscribers. The ADVOCATE is indexed every year, so that there can be no difficulty in turning up information on almost any subject. For the purpose of aiding our subscribers, we have made special arrangements with Mr. Chas. Chapman, bookbinder, of this city, for binding the ADVOCATE at reduced rates—only 60c. a volume, double volume (two years) 75c., and where farmers club together and send 10 volumes at once, they can get them bound for 50c. each.

Stock Notes.

Messrs. Kilgour & Co., of Quebec, have recently imported twelve head of Holstein-Friesian cattle.

Mr. W. W. Goodall, of Thornhill Farm, Branchton, has bought a dozen of Mr. Wm. Patteson's best Shropshire Down ewes, one-half of them being direct importations from the flocks of Lord Chesham and Mr. Parry, of Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. All are served by the ram imported from the flock of Sir Henry Allsopp.

Notices.

We would feel obliged to our old subscribers if, when sending in your renewed subscription, you would send on a list of names of farmers and their P. O. addresses, that are not yet subscribers, but might or should be, so that we might send a sample copy to them.

A poultry and pet stock association has been formed at Chatham, with Mr. W. E. Wells as President, and Mr. J. M. McPherson, as Secretary Treasurer. It was decided to hold a combined Poultry and Bench Show in Chatham, on December 29th, 30th, 31st, and January 1st.

We are in receipt of Grip's Almanac for 1886. We consider it the best Comic Almanac we have ever seen. It is full of fun, humor and originality, touching the leading topics of Canadian literature of the present time. The numerous cartoons and sketches are executed in a masterly and artistic manner. We know of nothing that will give you more pleasure and fun; all who see it must be delighted with it, from the Queen to the humblest peasant. A study of it will increase your knowledge of geography and political economy; it will save ten times its cost in doctors' bills, and will make your sides ache with laughter, and you will not forget it. We will send one of these Almanacs and one other entertaining present, that will give you all pleasure, to any one of our subscribers who will send us in a new paid subscriber with one dollar. Be sure and get this combination of fun in every household. You will not regret it. You cannot get so much fun and amusement in any other manner as cheaply.

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