

BOOKS, &c. RECEIVED.

VICK'S CATALOGUE OF HARDY BULBS, &c, for autumn of 1884. James Vick, Rochester, N.Y. Mailed free to all applicants.

ELLWANGER & BARRY's supplementary list of Novelties and Specialties, also their Catalogue of BULBOUS FLOWER ROOTS for fall planting, 1884, and Descriptive Price Catalogue of SMALL FRUITS.

SEVEN HUNDRED ALBUM VERSES is the title of a little book of 128 pages, filled with a variety of selections in poetry and prose, for the convenience of those who being requested to write in an album are at a loss what to write. It is sent by mail, post-paid, in paper cover, for 15 cents, in cloth 30 cents, by J. S. Ogilvie & Co., 31 Rose Street, New York.

CYCLOPEDIA OF PRACTICAL FLORICULTURE.—We have received from Townsend MacCown, Publisher, 744 Broadway, New York, his prospectus of a work of 420 pages quarto, with the above title, which he promises for completeness and popular value shall surpass anything of the kind yet published. The price, in cloth, \$5 00. Book sent to any address prepaid by the publisher.

CANADIAN BREEDER and Agricultural Review, is published weekly, corner Church and Front streets, Toronto, at \$2 00 a year. The initial number just received is very handsomely printed on excellent paper, and filled with valuable matter pertaining to the stock and farming interests of Canada. We are pleased to note that it is not intended to fill this paper with trashy stories and conundrums, in order to make it attractive to children or to the weak intellects of those of larger growth, but to give its readers substantial value for their subscription in the reading matter furnished.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY for the year 1884 have been received from Mr. W. H. Ragan, secretary, to whom our thanks are due for the opportunity of examining so valuable a contribution to our horticultural literature. The book is adorned with an excellent likeness of Dr. John A. Warder, that lover of nature and enthusiastic promoter of every enterprise that aimed to advance our knowledge in any department of rural life. The paper on profitable fruit-growing in Minnesota is worth, to those of our readers who reside in the parts of Ontario which has a similar climate, all that the whole book costs. We advise them to send two dollars to Secretary W. H. Ragan, Greencastle, Indiana, and secure a copy.

The *Orillia Packet* says:—"We are glad to learn that complaints of a failure of the apple crop in this district are by no means universal. Mr. A. T. Millichamp, Lake Shore, will have a good yield, some of his trees, indeed, being heavily laden, and we hear of others equally fortunate."

The Presidential campaign is begun in earnest, and our neighbors in the United States have plenty of excitement just now. The *Philadelphia Weekly Press* announces that the price is only 25 cents until after the November elections, and the *Daily Press* 50 cents per month.

RED RASPBERRIES IN HILLS.—The *Fruit Recorder* says:—"We have become satisfied that red raspberries should be grown so as to be worked both ways—allowing three to five stalks in the hill—owing to size and stockiness. We find when grown in hedge rows the berries are not so large and fine as those grown in hills, and are not so easily picked. Of course they can be planted quite close together—say, for instance, 4½ to 5 feet each way, and if nipped back when growing, they require no stakes. Grown thus in hills, and each year a small forkful of manure thrown against each hill, a plantation will last fifteen to twenty years, especially if the old wood is cut out every year."