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Stark Salesman's PLATE BOOK

Showing
New & U.S. Patent
PRIZE FRUIT TREES
and Ornamentals in Natural Colors

Largest Nurseries in the World

Oldest Nurseries in America

Issued by
Stark Bro's Nurseries & Orchards Co.
Louisiana, Mo.
Oldest and Largest Nurseries

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“Only God Can Make a Tree”

I think that I shall never see a pinnacled tree
So twice as high as a man can reach, and yet a foot too small to hang a moon.

—JOYCE KILMER

Number of Trees to Plant to An Acre

Planting Distances

Planting distances vary under different climatic and soil conditions. Trees of long soil show slightly farther apart than on medium soil. Apple trees should be planted 30 to 40 ft. apart. We advise 35 ft. as most satisfactory; Apricot, 18 to 22 ft.; Cherry (sour sorts), 16 to 20 ft.; Cherry (sweet sorts), 20 to 27 ft.; Grape, 8 ft. apart in rows 10 ft. apart; Peach, 18 ft. apart. We have laid out successive arrangements all over the country consider 20 ft. apart the correct distance: Pear, Standard 18 to 27 ft.; Pear, Dwarf, 10 to 16 ft.; Plum, 16 to 20 ft. (in rich soil Japanese plum should be planted at least 20 ft.); Quince, 10 to 16 ft.; Black Raspberries and Blackberries, 3 ft. between plants, in rows 6 to 8 ft. apart; Red Raspberries, 3 ft. apart in rows 5 to 6 ft. apart; Asparagus, 1 to 2 ft. apart in rows 3 to 31⁄2 ft.; Mulberries, 22 to 28 ft.; Pecans, 35 to 40 ft.

How to Properly Plant Trees

What to Plant

The planting information given in our literature is based on nearly 125 years of Stark experience, and the accumulated knowledge of private and State Experiment Stations, with which we are in constant touch. We have done your testing for you. Plant our leading varieties—they have been proven worthy; you take no chances.

When to Plant

Planting season is not regulated by date or by planters’ location, but by condition of stock to be planted. Trees can be successfully transplanted as long as they are dormant. The Stark method of packing and shipping assures arrival in proper planting condition. We shipped successfully to the south long after their spring had opened, and their trees in full leaf.

Planting Plans

The method of planting must be determined by the grower. We show sketches of the two main plans. The square plan is largely used, it is easy to lay out and is well adapted to the use of fillers. The triangular plan allows more trees to the acre, and is explained by the diagram. In the middle row, the permanent trees and cut out at intervals equal to distance between trees. Then, deep furrows should be plowed from one end to the other, and a wire is stretched across the field—marked by paint or by pieces of small wire wrapped and soldered to prevent slipping—these markers to be at intervals equal to the distances between trees. Set stakes at points indicated by the markers on wire.

Laying Out the Orchard

Rows should be straight and correctly spaced, not only on account of the appearance, but to make the orchard operations easier.

Preparing Land

Best preparation is to plow under manure before planting. Plow deeply, then at planting time, a good thorough discing will probably be sufficient. Prepare just as well for a farm crop. Some orchardists plant trees 5 or 6 ft. wide, planting trees in strip.

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Planting Details

Handling Trees on Arrival

Just as soon as the trees arrive unpack, shake out all packing material, plant at once if possible. If received during frosty weather, place them unpacked in a cool, dry cellar free from frost until weather moderates. Don’t expose roots to sun, air, wind or frost.

Heeling in Trees

If ground not ready when trees arrive unpack and heel in. Select a well drained location, preferably on a ridge. Dig a trench 2 feet deep, throwing dirt forward to make a sloping bank, on which the trees are laid, cut open all bundles, shake out packing material, throw a layer of dirt on roots and whole length of tree, and cover with soil in around roots. Plant theSR inove soil and lay open. The removal of this soil forms another parallel trench in which second layer of trees may be placed. Smooth sides and dig trenches to carry off water.

Digging Tree Holes

Dig holes large enough to receive the roots easily without crowding or bending. Put the rich top soil on the roots first. Trim off broken and bruised ends of roots, cutting back long slender roots. Make cuts from under side to the cut surface will rest against the soil.

Planting

One man should hold tree in position, firming the dirt while the other man throws the dirt into the hole. Plant tree an inch or two deeper than in the nursery row.

Pruning Young Trees

Pruning Before Planting

If planted in Fall, do not prune until spring, just before growth starts. The one-year apple should be headed back to a height of 18 to 30 inches. In pruning the two-year apple, select 4 to 6 branches and remove all others. Cut branches back from 6 to 12 inches from the core, but do not prune if growing. Some growers place well-rotted manure around the base of the tree after planting. This acts as a mulch and also furnishes plant food for the tree. Do not place manure in direct contact with the trunk and never put it in the hole, because it will make air pockets and cause the roots to dry out.

Pruning After Planting

After the roots are well covered, and the soil around the roots is important. After the roots are well covered, tramp and pound the soil. Some nurseries pack the hole, add 15% to the number required by the square plan. Do not pack manure in direct contact with the trunk and never put it in the hole, because it will make air pockets and cause the roots to dry out.

For FREE Orchard Information—write our SPECIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Stark Bro’s Nurseries—Louisiana, Mo.
Airplane Photo of Stark Nurseries, Louisiana, Mo.

Only a part of our 4,000-acre Nurseries, Largest in the World, with 9 Branch Nurseries throughout the United States.

1. General Offices
2. Executive Offices
3. Printshop, Post Offices
4. Garages, Shops
5. Machinery Storage
6. Grafting Houses
7. World's Largest Nursery Packing and Shipping Houses
8. Shrubs, Small Fruits
9. Rose Cellars
10. Shade Trees
11. Express Shipments
12. Fruit Trees Potted
13. Box Factory
14. Lumber-yards
15. Packing Material
16. Main Barns
17. Stark Homestead
18. Barns
19. 15,000-gallon Water Supply System
20. 25,000-gallon Water Supply System
21. Trial Grounds—Rose and Ornamental Shrubs
22. "Indian Mound"
23. Lookout on famous terraced hill, Golden Delrona Orchard
24. West Homestead
25. West Barns
26. World's Foremost Test Orchards—over 1,000 Newer Varieties
27. New Concrete U. S. Highway No. 10
28. C & A Railroad
The first quarter of the SECOND Century of Stark Nurseries history is nearing completion—the continuous development of New nursery stock by five generations of the same family. Ever since 1816 it has been our privilege to pioneer the betterment of American nursery methods and fruit growing. It has seemed to us that our position as the Oldest Nursery in America—Largest in the World—gives us this great work as our responsibility. Fruit growers confidently expect us to provide newer and better values in fruit trees and ornamentals.

"To Give to Mankind, to Preserve for Posterity, a Better Fruit, a Finer Tree"

This has been the life work of the Starks for five generations. Years ago Hon. E. P. Powell, famous Horticultural author wrote:—"There are two kinds of men dealing with Fruit Evolution. One of these is the Burbanks sort, applying science to the development of new sorts. If Burbanks are wizards, Stark Bro's are the Savants. Stark Bro's have unquestionably introduced more Valuable, Successful, New Fruits in the past 125 years than all other nurseries combined."

A few follow: Stark Golden Delicious, Starking, Scarlet Staymared, Jonared, Stark Delicious (Red), Black Ben, Senator, "Double-Life" Grimes

9 Stark Nurseries in 7 States

Successful Orchardists and Scientists now agree that the better the conditions under which Nursery Stock is grown, the more vigorous, hardy and thrifty it is for orchards in all sections of the country. Nearly 125 years' Nursery Experience has proved to us that there are only a few spots of wonderful nursery soil, with ideal nursery climate, that growing young apple trees better than all other sections. Others grow fine rooted young cherries; other places produce the best young peach trees. For instance, we have 1500 acres in the Ozark Mountains where young apple trees develop stronger, hardier roots and tops than any other place.

A host of exclusive Stark creations have won the commendation of the world's most distinguished horticulturists and are proving the Biggest Profits Makers in America's orchards. These Extra Values are made possible only by our More Than a Century of Successful Experience. These Extra Values are not to be expected with fewer years of experience and accumulated knowledge. While naturally proud of the Success 125 Years of Research, Testing and Experience have brought, Stark Bro's are always on the alert for Newer, Better Fruits and Ornaments.

Give You Greatest Tree Values

Similar exceptional combinations of soil and climate grow better plum trees, pear trees, apricots, etc.

We have located a Nursery at each one of these ideal spots—nine in seven different states in the U. S. That is one big reason why Stark Trees are so much better than any other trees. No other concern does this. We not only know HOW to grow them better, but we know WHERE TO GROW THEM BEST. We have 4,000 acres of Ideal Nursery Soil. Stark Bro's grow their own stock, and ship DIRECT TO YOU.

World's Largest Nursery

By Hon. Champ Clark, Ex-Speaker of U. S. House of Representatives

"The Missouri pioneers were extraordinary people—courageous, hardy, intelligent, honest, industrious, honorable, patriotic, and God-fearing. They laid broad and deep the foundations of a splendid civilization. They crossed the Great River with a Bible in one hand and a rifle in the other."

"Most of the early settlers of Missouri were soldiers. Among these was Judge James Stark, who served under Gen. William Henry Harrison at Tippecanoe and Col. Johnson at the Battle of the River Thames. Judge Stark came in the prime of his manhood to Pike, one of the richest Counties in Missouri, and there laid the foundation for the Largest Nursery in the World. We sometimes build more wisely than we know. He little dreamed while riding horseback from his far-famed Kentucky, carrying in his old-fashioned saddle bags the scions with which to start a new Nursery, that he was beginning a business, which would render the name Stark Hongrily Familiar Throughout America and Beyond the Seas." It's really a pity that now, a Hundred Years Later, he cannot return to earth to witness the Magnitude of the Business Which He Started. Verily his works do follow him.

Wizard of Horticulture

Luther Burbank

Turns His Life-Work over to Stark Bro's

When Luther Burbank, the master plant breeder, realized that at the end of his remarkable life was approaching, he requested that Stark Bro's carry on his great work.

This we have done. As a result there are now, after years of research, offered to the fruit lovers of America many astounding, New Improved varieties of fruit that are destined to become the outstanding varieties of their types in the entire fruit world.

At the time of his death he had produced hundreds of wonderful new hybrid fruits of outstanding merit. He evolved Huge, Delicious plums of every class, type and group that will probably make all other plums as antiquated and out-of-date within the next ten years, as is the old-fashioned ox-cart he drove, when a boy, back in Massachusetts.

He has produced a family of marvelous New peaches and new exquisite smooth skinned hardy nectarines, etc. These Wonderful New Fruit creations which we are introduced to the World are Obtainable from Stark Bro's Only.

Nearly 125 Years of Leadership In Creating Greater Fruit Tree Values

STARK BRO'S—Introducers of World's Greatest NEW And U. S. PATENT Fruits

The Experience of 5 Generations of the Stark Family in Behind These Better Tree Values.
Eminent Horticulturists Whose Assistance was obtained to prepare this Book. In the selection and description of Varieties recommended in this Book, we are grateful for the valuable advice and assistance of leading Horticulturists, Scientists and Orchardists in all sections of the United States. The photographs of

EXTRA Values And EXTRA Protection for YOU
That only 125 Years of Experience Can Give

O'UR planting methods seem twice as painstaking and expensive as necessary to some companies that have not our Century-and-a-Quarter of Experience as a background.

For instance we do not grow nursery stock on the same plots year after year. Our practice, built upon — and proven by the experiments and experience of more than a Century, is to rotate the crop before being planted to fruit trees.

The extra care costs us money — BUT, it saves YOU money, in the long run. It saves you from WASTING MONEY AND TIME vainly trying to bring weak trees into health and strength and bearing vigor.

Stark Patented Tree Digger "Gets All the Roots" Without Slightest Injury

Nearly a score of years ago, we discarded old-fashioned digging that is still practiced by others. We invented what is now called the Stark Super-Power Digger, equipped with a Stark Patented Digging Blade that cuts deep down below the roots, below the feeder roots, lifting them gently and without the slightest shock or injury to the roots.

5 Inspections and Rejections Protect You

The first inspection, rejection and grading takes place at each of our 9 Branch Nurseries. Then, an Official Inspector must pass on the grading. When your order is ready for packing, it is again in the hands of our Chief Order Filler — and, finally, by our Chief Inspector — and, finally, by our Chief Order Filler.

Then IN ADDITION to the scrutiny that Stark Inspectors receive from State Inspectors and U. S. Department of Agriculture Inspector, your Order is also examined by our Government Inspectors. Could We Be MORE Careful?

"Stark Record-Bearing Trees Would Be Cheap at $5 — compared to those other trees as a gift!" a New York City User declared, "Last spring I bought 800 trees (Not Stark Trees), because of a so-called bargain price. I had to throw away 400 of worthless. I received the "cheap" trees from a nursery in New York City. The Stark Record-Bearing Strain at the same time, as I planted the best of the "cheap" trees among the Stark trees. You should see the difference between a Stark Record-Bearing Strain tree only 1 yr. 2 mos. old and another similar tree of the same age!

Mr. Chas. Bronson, Grainger Co. Tenn. writes: "You furnish the best fruit-trees ever grown. I would rather have your trees at any price than the trees of other companies. They are more vigorous and larger than your own; I refer to the trees of other companies, that to the eye look almost as good. But yet the Stark Tree is $5, compared to those others as a gift.

"Wouldn't Have Cheap Trees as a Gift"

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"Stark "ROUND-the-WORLD PACK" Brings You "FULL-OF-LIFE" Trees"

Did you know that probably half the trees planted by orchardists are only "half alive"? A Stark Record-Bearing Strain tree only 3 mos. old is much bigger than a "cheap" tree 15 months old. That's why a Stark Tree is cheap at $5, compared to those others as a gift.

"Have Cheap Trees at Any Price, but in Quality AS WELL AS PRICE."
ROOT TREES, and no other person, firm or corporation has the right to such use, and all such are hereby warned, under penalty of the law, against any infringement.

The Plymouth Rock of a Million Paying Orchards

Years ago the Stark Nursery came to the parting of the ways. They could follow the beaten road, and by other nurserymen, but they were not satisfied with the then accepted nursery methods. A new school was founded by men of real knowledge, and a new method of tree growing was formulated. They set apart a million square feet of land, and raised a new root system, later known as the "Stark Old Oak Process" root system. From this beginning grew the present and other methods. It was the "Stark Old Oak Process" method of tree growing. This tree is known as the Plymouth Rock of a Million Paying Orchards.

The Great Downward Growth

The tree of nature is not the same tree as the tree of the nursery. The root cells that go together in the root make up a complete system of root cells, varying in number from thousands to millions. Each root cell, like the wood cells, is a perfect union between the inner wood and outer wood cells. At this point the wood and outer wood cells are not separated, but are united in one mass. As the tree grows, the root cells blend into root cells, and the tree becomes stronger in this way.

The Vital Part of a Tree

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The Remarkable Roots of Stark Bro's. PATENTED Trade Mark Whole Root Trees

Watch the Roots—the Vital, Life and Foundation of the Tree. The Big Rooted O. O. P. Stark Trees have stronger, heavier—bear bigger fruit and live longer.

From Patent Office Records

Stark Bro's Nurseries & Orchards Co., Lebanon, Mo., by virtue of the authority in them vested by and under the full text of the record of the U. S. Patent Office No. 14,423, hold the exclusive right to introducing, propagating, growing and selling OLD OAK PROCESS WHOLE ROOT TREES, and no other person, firm or corporation has the right to such use, and all such are hereby warned, under penalty of the law, against any infringement.

The Proper Place for the Union—Where the Root Cells Blend into Wood Cells

The roots are the feeders of a tree. If they are strong and vigorous (like the big roots on the right, in photo below) they will reach out vigorously and feed hungrily on the soil's fertility—and produce a big, husky, fast-growing, young-bearing fruit tree. You cannot afford to plant any other than OLD OAK PROCESS Whole Root Trees.
A weak, slow-growing tree can never make an early bearing tree. Nature has decreed that a tree do so much growing before it begins bearing, and only then does it begin to bear. The tree that is full of life and growing vigor begins bearing early, produces an abundance of bearing wood and wood capacity to produce and hold big crops. Because of its vigor and hardiness of tree as shown in growth, it lives longer and bears heavier crops regularly. Photos below show the remarkably Young-Bearing, Heavy-Bearing, Long-Life OLD OAK PROCESS Whole Root Trees.

Professor W. H. Lawrence, Missouri State Experiment Station, recently said, "There is no question about the superiority of strong Whole Root trees—hardier, longer lived and more profitable than weak trees from piece roots." Professor Lawrence's many years of experience and his broad knowledge of orchard trees enable him to speak with absolute authority. Not only in Missouri, but throughout the country, the folly of planting weak Piece Root Trees is only too apparent.

115,127,577 Fruit Trees Died in the Last 10 Years in the U.S. Alone. Today many planters are reaping the penalty of Piece-Roots in their dying orchards. 115,127,577 Bearing Fruit Trees Died in the last 10 Years. The truth of the old saying, "It pays to buy the best," is never more apparent than when applied to the purchase of fruit trees.

If the mistake of Planting Piece Root Trees is made it follows you on through the years as a constant reminder of your mistake. The truth is go forward and be read by every passerby.

Old Oak Process Proved Best—by long test. Long ago we realized too that the young trees, grown by J. P. Leaf—twenty-seven years old who says: "They surely take the cake for early bearing and thrifty growth."

An Old Oak Process Tree is Worth the Price of Ten Piece Root Trees, yet Producing Millions we are able to Sell Them to Planters Almost as Cheap as Ordinary Trees sold by others.

"An OLD OAK PROCESS Tree Would Be Cheap at $5.00—compared to those other trees as a gift!" declared Mr. Sutton, Owner of a 7,000 Stark Old Oak Process Tree orchard near Newton, Ill. "Last year I bought 300 trees (Not Stark Trees), because of a so-called bargain price. I had to throw away 400 as worthless. I received the Stark Trees at the same price, so I planted the best of the 'cheap' trees between the Stark trees. Look at the difference! Photo No. 1 at right is a Stark Tree only 1 year and 3 months old. Photo No. 2 is the 'cheap' tree, same age. No. 3 is a Stark Tree, only 1 year old—much bigger than the 'cheap' tree 13 mos. old. That's why a Stark Tree is cheap at $1.00 compared to those others as a gift."

"Old Patriarch"—118-Year-Old Stark Tree—Still Bearing Apples

Old Oak Process Proves Long Life.

"Double-Life" Trees.

Professor Leonard Haeeman, Missouri State Inspector, and a 14-Months' Old Golden Delicious

Stark Bro's Grow All Old Oak Process and "Double-Life" Trees. Both are our exclusive trade-marks, covering the superior young bearing, heavy-bearing, longer lived trees grown by these methods, which have been developed by 5 Generations of Stark Nurserymen during Nearly 125 Years tree growing. On some varieties, because of weak bodies or other reasons, we have found the DOUBLE-LIFE growing methods. For example, we grow Grimes Golden by the DOUBLE-LIFE method to prevent body rot.

"Through ONLY half my Orchard is Stark OLD OAK PROCESS Trees, the rest are "Double-Life". IT'S AS THE OTHER HALF from another nursery. Stark Trees have borne earlier than others though planted 1 year later!"

—A. J. Stahmer, Omak, Wash.

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The Largest, Best Equipped Nursery Packing
(As High as 1000 Me.

The Largest Nurseries in the World — Over 4000 Acres
RECORD-BEARING Whole Root Stark Tree. Rows nearly a mile long. All Top Size.

1. Great Field of Top-size 2-year Apple in our Ozark Mountain Nurseries.
2. Stark Bros. at Louisiana, Mo.
3. Fine 1-Year Pear Trees in our Big Pennsylvania Nurseries at N. Girard. (Man is 6 ft. 2 in. tall).

STARK BRO'S
NURSERIES AND ORCHARDS CO.

18. Small Fruit Department.
19. Ornamental Department.
20. Central Packing Rooms.
23. Scion Selection Rooms.
24. Central Shipping Rooms.
25. Frost-Proof Rose Cellars.
26. Lumber Yard — Box Factory.
27. Inspection and Selection Office.
28. Main Packed House.

10. Peach in Our Louisiana.


Scenes in Stark Nurseries — Louisiana, Mo.
1—Left of Stark Nurseries — One of Our 9 Plants.
2—Large Peach Tree Blocks.
3—Steep Terraced Orchard — Looking down on it.
4—Father of Waters — Miss. River 3 miles away.
5—Apple Test Orchard — All New and Old Varieties.
6—Peach Tree Field — 3 miles distant from Camera.
7—Testing 100 New Apples in this Orchard.
8—Our South Line — 2 miles away from Camera.
9—Huge New Stark Office Building.
10—Huge New Stark Office Building.
11—World's Greatest Nursery Offices — See all.
12—Stark Bro's Packing House — 12 miles around.
13—Oral Stark Homestead — Heart of Stark Valley.
Oldest Nurseries in America—Nearly 125 Years Old

Louisiana, Mo.

Stark Bros at Louisiana, Mo.

Nurseries in the World—Stark Bro’s at Louisiana, Mo.

Located in Ten Different States

Headquarters

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See—Nearly 125 Years Old—Up On Hills Beyond.

Louisiana, Mo.

Lockout Knob, Far Above Valley.

Stark Bros’ Patent Tree Digester Saves All the Roots—the Life of the Tree.

Only One of Our Great Fields. (See photo 1.)

Stark Bro’s Patented Tree Digester Saves All the Roots—the Life of the Tree.


Apple in Our Famous Stark Mountain Nurseries in Marionville, Mo. Only One of Our Great Fields. (See photo 1.)

Great Fields of Assorted Fruit Trees.

Largest Golden Delicious Orchard in Missouri.

Peach Test Orchard, ‘Every Sort under the Sun.’

Beautiful Pike County Country Club.

Most Complete Farm Test Orchard in the U. S.

Ornamentals—We are Largest Growers in U. S.

More Ornamentals—Ideal Soil and Climate.

Our Cherry and Apricot Test Orchards.

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7. Stark Bros’ Patented Tree Digester


9. Spot where Judge James Stark Founded these Nurseries in 1864 on the Highlands in the Extreme Distance.

10. Our Room in our Up-to-Date Office at Louisiana, Mo. Handling Hundreds of Thousands of Orders for ‘Stark Trees.’

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19. Most Complete Farm Test Orchard in the U. S.

20. Ornamentals—We are Largest Growers in U. S.


22. Our Cherry and Apricot Test Orchards.

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24. Great Fields of Assorted Fruit Trees.

25. Largest Golden Delicious Orchard in Missouri.

26. Peach Test Orchard, ‘Every Sort under the Sun.’

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4,000 Acres—in Nine Stark Nurseries in Seven States

Stark Pear Nurseries in N. Y.

Stark Pear Nurseries—Man at right is 6 feet 2 inches tall.

Half a Million splendid OLD OAK PROCESS Stark Cherry Trees in Stark Nurseries at Dansville, N. Y.

Stark Roots nearly a mile long—not a weed!

Over a million—4½ months old—RECORD-BEARING Ozark Mountain Stark Apple Trees.

35,000 Stark RECORD-BEARING Strain Tree Orchard
Greatest Orchard in Virginia, in Frederick County.
We Spent $50,000 To Assure You Extra Tree Value

You May Win $100.00

Stark Bros urge every fruit grower to watch for fine new seedlings, better strains of old varieties, or improved bud sports. We will pay $100.00 in cash for the first information regarding a new sort which after proper testing should prove valuable enough for listing in our catalog.

BRINGS MILLIONS OF DOLLARS EXTRA PROFITS TO FRUIT GROWERS—WITHOUT INCREASING STARK TREE PRICES

IT IS COSTLY to do anything the BETTER way. But—it Pays!

So, we have always strived after BETTER Strains—and BETTER varieties. We feel it our DUTY to mankind to do so. Those improvements that we have been responsible for in the past Century have helped the fruit growers by giving them Better Fruits and Bigger Profits. In particular, our work in introducing to fruit growers, Improved Bud Sports (like Starking) and Superior Strains opened the eyes of the fruit growing world.

Now, after thirty years of investigation and the expenditure of more than $300,000.00 we have changed all varieties over to these Improved "Record-Bearing" Strains.

We propagate from the Original Tree itself or from a Parent Tree that in some characteristic has shown a marked improvement over all other trees of that variety. Stark Bros. have supplied nursery stock of each variety. The Original trees are in the Starking, Hald-Berta, and other superior varieties of standard varieties is OF GREAT VALUE TO THE FRUIT INDUSTRY. These improvements in color, size, shape of fruit and increased production, as well as their offering these superior characteristics, such as higher color and earlier color, uniformity of shape and type, greater size of fruit, etc. Leading Horticulturists and the Most Successful Practical Orchardists, in planting their own orchards, prefer to plant Stark trees which they KNOW have been propagated from trees of KNOWN superior records. For instance—Prof. Green, for years Chief Scott, Horticulturist of Ohio Experiment Station, stated:—"If I were planting an orchard myself, I would prefer that the nursery stock I used would be propagated from trees of known records."

Prof. Shamel—U. S. Dept. Agric. Demonstrates This Method

It makes more certain "TRUE-TO-NAME" TREES

It preserves Superior Colored Strains, like Starking, etc. It perpetuates Heavy Bearing Types, such as Golden Delicious. It keeps "true" trees out of Stark Trees. It prevents our best varieties from degenerating, and prevents best varieties from regressing into degenerate, weak strains.

Our system of propagating only from Record-Bearing Parent Trees of each variety, minimizes errors in propagation and, thus, is double assurance that EVERY Stark Tree is a True-To-Name tree.

An 8,000 Mile Search for Best Fruit Tree Values

A few years ago, the Seabrook Farms of New Jersey decided to plant a 2,000-acre orchard. W. W. Oley, the Superintendent was told, "Go get the finest fruit trees obtainable in the world. Visit all the best nurseries. Do not buy a single tree until you know that you have found the best trees grown!"

He spent months in the search-investigated nurseries everywhere, travelled over 8,000 miles in all. Finally he came to our Louisiana, Mo. head- quarters and brought back nurseries who critically examined our methods of tree propagation, digging and packing—investigated our Central planting extreme of bearing true-to-name trees. And, when he was all through, he bought 62,425 Stark Trees in preference to all others! EXTRA VALUE not mere price, CONVINCED him.

Stark Varieties MUST Be Best

Before a single new Stark variety is offered to the public it must prove itself superior by years of testing in the famous Stark Test Orchard—the orchard of 1,000 new varieties where competition is keen, where for each variety which is good enough to be introduced hundreds are discarded.
Stark's Golden Delicious Orchard. Never failed a crop. They made such an unheard-of bearing record the owners planted so many Stark's Golden Delicious that if the rows were placed end to end there would be 25 miles of these fruit-devoid never failing trees. Proving as hardy as oaks.

Bowed to the Ground. Stark's Golden Delicious Bearing a Great Crop on 4-year-old top-worked trees that were the sensation of the entire community (below). O O Sutton, W Va., Orchardist says: Promises to be the Apple Sensation of the century.

5 Bushels of Big Stark's Golden Delicious per tree on Webster's 7-year Orchard (above). These apples were sold before they were picked for $5.00 per bushel, orchard run f o. b. orchard. At $25.00 per tree, an acre yields $2,000.00—40 acres would yield $80,000.00.

When All Others Failed Stark's Golden Delicious bore the Enormous Crop. Never missed crop since 2 years old. For young means regular bearing vigorous growth. Insure healthy foliage and all-round orchard worth have never seen its equal.

"All Big Apple Buyers say Golden Delicious Finest and Showiest Apple they ever saw. Tree as hardy as Stark Delicious and Wealthy. Sets an apple for every blossom, every apple set grows to maturity—simply fall to tree." Portrait shows Silas Wilson, owner 750 Acre Orchard, in his Golden Delicious Orchard Trees.
Stark's Golden Delicious

Finest Flavored Apple in All the World

"Golden Delicious is the finest flavored apple in all the world." A remarkably large, late-Winter, Waxed Golden Apple, endowed with a rich,emerging beauty that tempts the buyer and commands Record-Breaking High Prices. A great commercial and family apple "ONCE TASTED, ALWAYS WANTED!"

It is supreme as an eating apple—perfection for cooking for every apple dish—and unsurpassed for canning and cider.

Golden Delicious averages as large as Red Stark Delicious. A FAR SUPERIOR KEEPER to Grimes. It is a big, glossy, Golden Yellow Apple, in shape (somewhat like Stark Delicious) it has a Rich

Creamy Yellow Flesh, suffused with a slight hint of Oranges—Crisp, Firm, with a Sparkling, Tangful Flavor much like that of a perfect Bartlett Pear.

No apple ever known or grown has an instantly captured the public's favor—BECAUSE OF MARVELOUS FLAVOR!

The largest Orchardsman in America, with headquarters at Pittsburgh, PA., states:

"We have closely observed Stark's Golden Delicious for many years. It is The Heaviest Bearing of All Commercial Varieties known than Rome Beauty, Black Ben or Ben Davis. The tree are strong and healthy, quit frost-resistant and they bear a commercial load of high quality fruit on one-year old wood, bringing the only variety that does twin. The apples never get mealy. We gathered 1220 bu. off 130 trees and the crop was 75,100 per cent. Extra Fancy, 46-4.10 per cent. of the apples ran 64 apples to the bushel—larger size."

$5,000 Tree in a Cage

The Original Golden Delicious Tree

This tree in a cage on a rocky West Virginia mountaintop is the ORIGINAL Stark's Golden Delicious. We paid $5,000.00 for this tree and the ground on which it stands. This tree is the PARENT TREE of All Genuine Golden Delicious trees. A. H. Mullins, in whose orchard the tree was found, is standing beside the cage.

The first "clue" came to us one April day some years ago. Three wonderful yellow apples reached us from a West Virginia mountain-side——where we declared that they were a new, heretofore unknown, variety. The second "clue" came when Mr. Stark hit into one of the Golden apples. The flavor through West Virginia mountain wilds, brought me to the farm of Mr. A. H. Mullins. Back of the house I saw an orchard. But—here came the dismal disappointment! Every tree I could see was nothing but a wild seedling—miserable runs.

Delighted and sick at heart, I turned around to leave—when I saw, looming forth in the midst of many small, leafless, barren trees, a tree with rich green foliage that looked as if it had been transported from the Garden of Eden. That fall the writer started on "The Quest of the Golden Apple." A 1,000-mile railroad trip, plus a 20-mile horse-back ride amazed him. These apples looked like Grimes apples of Gold—but they tasted like Stark Delicious! And they were in perfect condition in April! Most apples would have been rotten and gone months before. Our fruit experts all pronounced it the long-looked-for golden apple.

One apple was sent to Col. Brackett, U. S. Pomologist at Washington,D.C. Friends present told us how the Colonel came hurrying into the office, a little slab of this wonderful yellow apple perched on his knife blade, exclaiming, "Taste this! Here's an apple with a far better flavor than Grimes Golden."

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Supreme Court of the Fruit World

Awards WILDER MEDAL to This Apple

What the Supreme Court is to United States law, the American Pomological Society is to American fruit and horticulture—the Final, Highest Authority. This society has occupied this eminent position for more than 87 years. Now—this great body of scientists and horticulturists has given to Stark's Golden Delicious the highest tribute ever granted to an apple—the only Wilder Medal ever awarded to any apple. This medal was "struck off" on the massive presses of the United States Mint, by special order, and is now in our possession. (See medal at left.)

What This Award of Honor Means to YOU

To YOU who have seen Genuine Golden Delicious "prove itself" in every state—herein is the evidence of the esteem in which this superb fruit, and these trees, are held by the foremost Pomological Experts, Horticul-turists and Orchardists.

They watched the development, testing and success of this Great, Big Glistening Golden apple for years before giving it this—the Supreme Honor.

On the Committee on the Wilder Medal were such eminently conservative authorities as

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Golden Delicious Holds Baked Apple Supreme

In my orchard—these 250 GOLDEN DELICIOUS trees for other apples.

As for the quality, it is superb. When you get a customer for a generation they bore a splendid crop—some of these trees bearing 10 bushels per tree. A lady asked her roadside dealer to get a few of your visit. The yield was about 500

Thos. J. Harwell, well known Virginia grower, writes: "I have 250 GOLDEN DELICIOUS trees new and 8 years old. They began bearing at 3 years. This year despite the worst drought in a generation they bore a splendid crop—some of these trees bearing 10 bushels per tree. I can get one third more for GOLDEN DELICIOUS than for other apples.

"GOLDEN DELICIOUS is also particularly RESISTANT TO DROUGHT—this year showing up the best of any variety in my orchard—these 250 GOLDEN DELICIOUS trees had an average crop of 7,500 other apple trees bearing only 2,000 bushels. GOLDEN DELICIOUS is also more resistant to Fire Blight than other varieties—also to cold. Cold spell during the bloom period ruined everything in my orchard except GOLDEN DELICIOUS. As for the quality, it is superb. When you get a customer for a generation they bore a splendid crop—some of these trees bearing 10 bushels per tree."

In another letter Mr. Bigelow says: "We send you 200 of our 2-year-old Goldens. 100 are still growing in the open ground, the others are being kept in our cellar to be planted next year. 150 trees are being kept for planting."

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3-YEAR-OLD GOLDEN DELICIOUS BEARING ITS 2nd CROP

A. Johnson of Kansas City, Mo., broke down in health and retired from the grocery business with only $3,000.00 to his name—at 65 years of age. Then he went to Oregon. Today Mr. Johnson is the owner of as fine a 40-acre orchard as anyone can boast.

The 40 Acres of Stark Trees This Year Alone Was $13,000.00. He recently refused $40,000.00 cash for this 40-acre orchard.

He is one of the tens of thousands of fruit growers, farmers and home owners, who are praising—and planting—the great Stark Golden Delicious "World's Record Young Bearer."

Golden Delicious trees are astonishing orchardists by bearing when only 2 years old in all sections of the United States—in New York, Missouri, Arizona, West Virginia, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Texas, California, Iowa, Connecticut, Arkansas, New Mexico, New Jersey, Ohio, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Idaho, Alabama, Oregon, Kansas, Maine, Utah, Maryland, New Hampshire, Washington, Indiana, Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Massachusetts, Dist. of Columbia.

Official records also prove that entire orchards of Golden Delicious trees often bear in the 3rd year—EVERY TREE yielding a good crop.

3 Sets of Bloom—Dodge Severe Frost

Genuine Golden Delicious bloom late and often actually have 3 different sets of blooms:—First, the ordinary fruit-spur buds—next, terminal bloom buds—and, then, the lateral bloom buds. Even if frost gets one set, the others can produce a crop. That's WHY Golden Delicious bears when frosts kill the crops on other varieties.

F. A. Schell noted Washington grower, says:

"We had 25 degrees when our Golden Delicious were in bloom and they set a crop in spite of it."

Bears When Apples Are Scarcest—Prices Highest

Here are just a few of the enthusiastic reports that are pouring in on us from delighted fruit growers:

"This spring 3 heavy frosts killed all my other varieties except Golden Delicious. They brought me 50 per cent more than others," declares C. G. Roberts, Columbus, Co., OHIO. "My heavy crop of Golden Delicious will be the ONLY apples I'll harvest this year. All others very light."

"My Golden Delicious were the ONLY trees producing a crop this year. They bring me 100% MORE MONEY than my other varieties," states Zack Hodson, Shelby Co., ILL.

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Golden Delicious trees are amazingly vigorous, fast growers, do not blight and are wonderfully disease resistant. They possess the abounding vitality that makes them bear young and grow fast at the same time. Stage is ideal for modified leader type—requires little pruning. Limbs very strong—do not break under tremendous loads of fruit. Bear immense crops EVERY YEAR. Apples ripen late, hang well and do not drop. Often bears at 2 years old.
Little Orchards Make More Money than Big Farms

More Profit in Apples
Than in an Orange Grove

Genuine Golden Delicious Trees Obtainable Only from Stark Bros', Louisiana, Mo.

(See Photo Below)

Garland J. Hopkins writes: "I went down in Virginia in 1911 and paid $23,240.00 for this land—and, after planting more Stark Trees, especially Golden Delicious, cleaned everything up in 6 years of my orchard profits.

"Of this 754 acres—about 60 acres in orchard—I made 16 per cent net profit per year on the average, in addition to raising a small amount of early potatoes.

"To show you how Golden Delicious has performed for me: The year of the terrible drought most of my varieties failed to set one crop. BUT—my 600 Golden Delicious 9 yrs. old and my 600 Golden Delicious 6 yrs. old BORE 10,000 BUSHELS.

"Many of my young Golden Delicious Trees yielded 18 to 20 bushels each. That one year’s crop (in a very bad year for most varieties) alone paid for my orchard.

"That’s why I say Golden Delicious will make a dollar for every grower who plants it for every dime he will ever get from a tree of any other variety of apple!"

Mr. N. Y. Yates writes: "I bought 95 Stark Golden Delicious trees 5 years ago. This season they produced 350 bushels, "270 bushels were fancy and sold to commission houses and grocers at $3.50 per bu. 80 bushels were clean and sold to the fruit and corden out my Grimes Golden. Other varieties did not have much fruit after the spring freeze, but Golden Delicious has been so satisfactory as an orchard tree, as a pollenizer they have no peer—and the flavor can't be equalled. We market the apples ranging from 21 to 26 inches to 3 inches and the smaller ones are used for the most delicious cider ever produced. People come from 70 miles around for both Golden Delicious apples and Golden Delicious cider.

"The winter of 1933-1934 the temperature fell to 24 below zero, and in February 1934 we had sub-zero weather for eighteen days, averaging from zero to 34 below. While many other varieties were killed out, my Golden Delicious trees showed no injury either to the tree or to the fruit spurs.

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"59 GOLDEN DELICIOUS Trees, 5 Years Old
Produce $1,140 For This Indiana Grower!"

Paid 10 Times as Much
as Corn or Cotton Growing

Arthur H. Thompson, Lee Co., ARKANSAS, formerly in cotton and lumber business, has been raising fruit—sold it—happened to find out that Golden Delicious varieties are Stark Delicious, Stark King David, and Stayman Winesap. He also has young Golden Delicious Single Stark Delicious trees have yielded him 25 bushels in a year. He writes: "My orchard has paid me ten times more per acre than anything else, such as corn or cotton."
FROM 122 VOLT GOLDEN DELICIOUS TREES
GOLDEN DELICIOUS — Youngest Heaviest Bearer of All

Says Les Anderson, of Pike County, Illinois (See Photo Above)

Mr. Anderson planted 122 Golden Delicious trees on 25 acres of his farm near Alto Pass, near-grade, Ill. On the 126-acre farm, as a CRP crop from these 122 young trees — 1,400 bushes of big, gloriously beautiful Golden Delicious apples that eager buyers purchased before the fruit was shipped off.

He declares: "I would have had to plant 266 acres of corn, yielding 60 bushels to the acre, the same year to bring me the same money."

The same year I planted these 25 acres of land will yield over 2,000 bushels of fancy quality Golden Delicious that will quickly sell at highest prices.

Now, Mr. Anderson gets $0.89 for 10 bushels — $3.90 for 60 bushels — $7.74 for 100 bushels — $10.60 for 150 bushels — $13.44 for 200 bushels — $16.30 for 250 bushels — $19.16 for 300 bushels — $22.02 for 350 bushels — $24.88 for 400 bushels — $27.74 for 450 bushels — $30.61 for 500 bushels — $33.47 for 550 bushels — $36.34 for 600 bushels — $39.20 for 650 bushels — $42.06 for 700 bushels — $44.92 for 750 bushels — $47.78 for 800 bushels — $50.64 for 850 bushels — $53.50 for 900 bushels — $56.36 for 950 bushels — $59.22 for 1000 bushels.

Mr. Anderson — 40 years from his 30 Acres of Stark Trees.

The balance of our 700 acre farm, devoted to farming, has not brought us as much money as this 30-acre orchard of Stark Trees in the past 10 years.

BEST PRICES — BIG FRUITS — HIGHEST PROFITS EVERYWHERE — BEST APPLE — BEST TREE

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STARKING - King of All Red Apples

"Reddens Before it Ripens"

STARKING
"Double-Red Delicious"

STARK BRO'S LOUISIANA, MO.
125 YEARS OLD
“Sells for 100% More Than Most Kinds” says L. R. Taft, Former Michigan State Horticulturist

“STARRING sells at prices 50% higher than McIntosh and 100% BETTER THAN MOST OTHER STANDARD KINDS,” writes L. R. Taft, nationally known Michigan Horticultural authority. Mr. Taft continues: “With us STARRING has been the Best of All Red Apples. It is Larger and Higher in Color than Delicious. It also BEARS BETTER.”

From N. Hampshire to Washington—From Michigan to Georgia

STARRING Leads All Red Apples In PROFITS

“We had a splendid crop of STARRING last year. Our trees started bearing when they were 4 or 5 years old—much younger than old Delicious. STARRING is our best HIGHEST-PRICED Red Apple. It brought 50% more than other standard varieties and is in big demand. Buyers beg for them. They color wonderfully well. Out of 300 bushels last year all but 3 bushels were No. 1 Red color. STARRING is a robust variety. The trees have a remarkably vigorous and healthy growth—a Real Money Maker.”—Sigler Bros., Pike Co., Illinois.

$10,000 NET PROFIT From One 50-Acre Crop

“In one of the biggest apple crop years in history, even with lower prices, my 50-acre orchard of STARRING, GOLDEN DELICIOUS, Young-Bearing JONATHAN and other STARK RECORD-BEARING STRAIN VARIETIES made me a NET PROFIT OF $10,000—After All Expenses of cultivating, spraying, handling, picking, storing and marketing had been paid. I would have made more if I had held my apples longer, when they were bringing higher prices. “Year after year this 50-acre orchard has made BIG profits. I have never had enough of STARRING and the other sorts mentioned to supply the demand.”—Luke McClure, Orchard Mgr., Marionville, Mo.

“Highest Priced Apple—Practically Every Box Fancy”

“Practically every box of STARRING, because it colors and can be picked 10 days to 2 weeks earlier than Delicious, will grade Fancy, and will bring the HIGHEST PRICE,” writes Geo. E. Potter, Horticulturist University of New Hampshire. “Early coloring is very important, especially in an unfavorable year. STARRING differs from Delicious in color and points associated with color. With all its fine qualities, I feel that STARRING needs nothing else to recommend it.”

Biggest Yield—Biggest PROFITS from Young Trees (See photo Below)

“From 200 STARRING trees only 8 years old, we packed 2,436 boxes—12.18 bushels per tree—THE MOST PROFITABLE YIELD I HAVE EVER RECEIVED FROM ANY 8-YEAR OLD TREES,” writes Chas. Rumboltz, famous orchardist of Okanogan Co., Wash. J. C. Norris, Inspector and widely known authority, saw Mr. Rumboltz’s fruit. He writes, “I could have stayed there forever—I can’t describe the scene—3,600 bushels of THESE IMMENSE SOLID RED STARKINGS. It will make a complete revision of orchard planting.

Picking Huge Starking Apples Solid Red All Over, 95% Extra Fancy

200 8-yr. old Starking Trees bore 24$^3:$$^3$ Wider Medal

Prof. C. P. Close, U. S. Govt. Pomologist, Holding Winning Starking

Young Early bearing Starking Bros. loaded to capacity with Extra Fancy fruit
(Above) ORIGINAL STARKING LIMB SPORT FOR WHICH WE PAID $6,000.00

Color Photo shows Lewis Mood, owner of Stark Tree Orchard where we discovered the limb bearing the original STARKING. Mr. Mood's son is seated on the famous limb. The $6,000 will put the boy through college.
Nearly 15 years ago the newspapers, farm papers and magazines all over America blazed forth with the announcement:

"Western Nursery Pays $6,000.00 for a Limb of a New Jersey Apple Tree!"

Because we have become known by leading Horticulturists and Orchardists as the Nursery first to Discover and Introduce New and Better Fruits, we were immediately swamped with thousands of inquiries. Even though our Nursery’s name was not mentioned in the news story that flashed across the country, well posted fruit lovers and fruit growers immediately leaped to the conclusion;

"Stark Bro’s Is The ONLY Nursery Progressive Enough To Do That!"

This limb bore a New DOUBLE-RED Delicious apple—a Delicious that is Red All Over when regular Delicious is still green, so that this new apple can be picked early while still hard, crisp—in perfect condition to keep juicy until late Spring and never get dry or mealy. (See color comparison photograph to right.) We erected a cage around the Original tree to protect it from bud or scion theft and placed a watchman in charge.

Dear Fruit Growers:

"STARKING is an extra large, RED ALL-OVER apple, with the five-knob characteristic of Stark Delicious. Its complete, full-red skin attracts buyers in every market. Its crisp, juice-laden, tender flesh is of wonderfully delightful flavor—a flavor that is aromatic—spicy—tangy.

As one fruit connoisseur has stated, "Starking apples possess the champagne of all apple flavors. No other red apple begins to rival its rich quality.'"

"Starking Well Colored—All Other Apples on Tree Green!"—declared Prof. Jos. Oskamp, N. Y. State Ext. Professor Pomology. "Starking exceeded my most optimistic expectations. To see the original Sport Limb of this tree laden with well-colored apples long before picking time when the rest of the apples on the tree were still entirely green was a sight worth coming many miles to see.

There is no question about STARKING retaining this all-over-red color when propagated, because the fruit on the young STARKING trees in the same orchard was even deeper red than the young trees in the same orchard."

"Regarding Starking apples grown in Grimes Orchard. 'Rarely have I ever seen Starking apples more nearly perfect in every regard than these.' They are ideal in size, color, shape, finish and Highest Quality."

"My Starking trees started bearing when 2 years old. The tremendous color improvement over Delicious surprised all visitors," reports Leo Antles, who sent us photo above.

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The photograph to the right was sent to us by Leo C. Antles, District Production Manager American Fruit Growers, Inc. These apples brought the growers $5. a bushel f. o. b. care when Delicious were bringing $2.50 to $3.00 per bushel.

THE WILDER MEDAL
The Highest Honor in Horticulture Awarded to Starking.
Actual size

STARKING
APPLE

STARKING Apple Trees. Hr. Richartz says, "Two of my 3 year Starkings trees bore 4 bu. each. All trees averaged 2.5 bu and the apples were very large—ranging 64, 72 and 80 to the bu. Every apple had 100% SOLID RED COLOR. Starking apples sell at a good premium."

© Stark Bros. Fruitgrowers, Lebanon, Mo.
STARKING—World's MOST PROFITABLE Red Apple
Far Younger Bearerc Than Delicious Tops Al Markets

"I have 700 Starking trees which started bearing at 3 years, states F. C. Simon, Ohio. "One hundred picked 1,000 bushels last year. Starking brings 50 per cent HIGHER PRICES than ordinary Delicious and other well-known red apple varieties.

"It has fine flavor, keeps well and is the best red apple I know. Starking color almost 100 per cent everyly (red over all)." Picked my first crop from my 120 Starking trees when they were only 3 years old. Starking trees bear very heavy loads even in shady parts of trees.

STARKING—BIG MONEY
Starking is far ahead of Delicious in every way. Starking is bearing 3 to 6 years younger than Delicious.—W. R. Johnson, Pres. Eveline Fruit and Land Co.

My 400 young Starking trees bore from 5 to 7 bushels each and sold for $5.00 per bushel. All the trees bore this year to December the next year (15 months) in a cellar only half a dozen showed any softening. Starking has no signs of decay or disease. Every apple can be kept till the next season. The color of all my Starking apples is rich, refreshing juiciness not found in any other apple. My Starking trees bore 2 years younger than Delicious. 2,436 boxes—12.18 bushels per tree—THE WORLD'S MOST PROFITABLE RED APPLE.

CRISPY JUICY UNTIL LATE SPRING
Quality During A Long Storage Season.—Prof. Gourley, Chief Ohio Hort. Dept. "Starking has the best keeping qualities of any apple variety I have ever handled. It is also the most uniform in color, quality and size. It has never been affected by the ever-widening blight diseases. Starking is a healthy apple and can be trusted by every orchardist."—Prof. W. E. Marshall, Assoc. Hort. Prof. in Howard College, Ohio.

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All apple buyers are delighted with the uniform high color of Starking apples. Starking is the first apple with a uniform and stronger, wider crochets and better spreading of the color of all my Starking apples is ASTRONOMICAL. I have held them up in New York. Apples in New York are no more beautiful in quality and good shipping and keeping ability.

EASY COMFORT OF ALL-OVER COLOR
The fact that all apples on Starking trees become a uniform, deep crimson-all over makes picking and packing very easy and all the other operations very simple. The fruit on the inside, shaded limbs becomes a deep red which adds greatly to the market appeal of the apple. The Color of Starking apples even from the old limbs is uniform and brighter color than that of Delicious.—Prof. Roy E. Marshall, Assoc. Prof. in Hortic., Cornell Univ.

The color of all my Starking apples is uniform and completely all-over. Many of my 125 Starking trees were LOADED EVEN FOR LONG STORAGE KEEPING and Better Maker for Growers.

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STAYMAN WINESAP

Ordinary

Scarlet Staymared - U. S. Patent. Stark Bro's Great NEW

Left: Scarlet Red-Skinned Staymamed Winesap. Every apple on tree is


Stark's U. S. Patent.
A veteran orchardist who has observed this apple since the discovery of the original Limb Sport says, “What STARKING has done for Stark Delicious—what JONARED has done for Jonathan—what the Solid Red ROME BEAUTY has done for the old Rome—the new SCARLET STAYMARED has done for the Stayan Winesap,” Discovered, Tested, Patented and Introduced by Stark Bro’s. Genuine Scarlet Staymared Trees obtainable only from Stark Bro’s. Beware of Imitations. NCS.

SCARLET STAYMARED
NEW-U. S. Patent Stark Apple

A Solid Blazing Triple-Red Stayman—Brightest, Flashiest of All

STARK BRO’s now announce a new, gorgeous and still greater improvement in the Stayman Winesap—SCARLET STAYMARED! This new apple has all the superior qualities of Stark’s new famous dark red Staymared, to which is added a flashing SOLID ALL-OVER SCARLET Red of such brilliance that it almost seems to glow—and this new SCARLET STAYMARED colors long before the old Stayman, and is twice as red at picking time.

“GETS RED 30 DAYS BEFORE STAYMAN” says the Discoverer. When the limb-sport of SCARLET STAYMARED burst on the gaze of the discoverer, Mr. J. H. Dickey, among the still green Stayman, he was astounded. All the rest of the apples— even on this same Stayman tree—were still green, but this one red limb showed a load of large, perfectly colored, flashing scarlet red all over, brighter red even than the regular dark red Staymared. It was, Mr. Dickey averred, fully 30 days ahead of the ripening time when he discovered the Scarlet Staymared Limb. He telegraphed to Stark Bros., The County Agent immediately confirmed the report as to the amazing Scarlet Red color. Mr. Stark rushed to the scene of the discovery. Distinguished Pomologists all over America were interested. Prof. A. D. Shamel, Principal Physiologist of the Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, Mr. C. S. Pomroy, Associate Pomologist, U. S. B. D. A., and J. T. Bregger, Extension Horticulturist, visited the tree. They were delighted! Here was a new discovery—a new Limb Sport variety of extraordinary value to orchardists—weeks ahead in taking on a SCARLET RED color of amazing brilliancy—a Fruit, Brighter Red Stayman than was ever produced before! Earlier additional color allows this variety to succeed further north.

$1,000.00 A FOOT FOR ORIGINAL LIMB Stark Bro’s promptly purchased for $1,000.00—nearly $1,000.00 PER FOOT—the Exclusive and Perpetual Rights and Control of the original SCARLET STAYMARED LIMB Sport. SCARLET STAYMARED is now U. S. PATENTED and can be propagated and sold ONLY by STARK BROS.

The County Agent had the Sport Limb tree under constant observation. He writes: “This Sport Limb continues to bring forth the highly colored fruit, a Spur, in the first flush of the shaly side of the tree. The apples not only start to take on their brilliance, solid Scarlet Red two to four weeks ahead of the other Staymans, but they are red enough to pick much earlier. Indeed, which Mr. Dickey, the discoverer, has grafted into adjoining trees, in every characteristic.” It has also proved the sensation of the Stark Test Orchards of 1,000 varieties. Owning to its splendid color and long-keeping qualities, SCARLET STAYMARED can be picked full colored and while still hard-ripe, away ahead of regular Stayman.

BIG NEW PROFIT MAKER FOR AMERICA SCARLET STAYMARED is a New PROFIT MAKER for orchard owners large or small, the best of all strains of Stayman. It should be planted in large quantities, along with the other big profit makers—Golden Delicious, Starking, Jonared, etc.

Starting to color long before any of the old Stayman Winesaps, the new Stark SCARLET STAYMARED brightens to full red-all-over perfection weeks ahead. In distinct contrast to dark red Staymared, the Stark SCARLET STAYMARED is a new variety of much brighter red. It is a very handsome large apple. The surface is smooth, solid, glistening SCARLET Red from stem to blossom end. The flesh is firm and zestful with a superb abundance of delicious sprightly juice of rich, spicy, wine-like flavor. The pleasant, tangful flavor of finest Stayman Winesaps is emphasized in the new SCARLET STAYMARED. It is perfection for eating fresh, for cooking, baking, for all apple dishes, for cider, for storage, for commercial markets, for long distance shipment, for long keeping in cold storage without scald. For those who like a spicy apple, SCARLET STAYMARED has no superior.

Our tests and investigations prove the SCARLET STAYMARED has all the great tree vigor of the Stayman Winesap. It has the same hardness of tree and blossom to stand the cold of the North, and also thrives throughout the East, West and South.

Growers will get 100% Fancy Color “A remarkable all-over red Stayman—distinct, brighter red, a valuable variety. The color is marvelous. —T. J. Talbert, Chief Horticulturist, Univ. of Mo, St. Louis, Mo.

$1,000.00 per foot for this limb. Genuine Scarlet Staymared Trees are sold only by Stark Bro’s.

Actual photo of loaded limb of Brilliant Red-all-over Scarlet Staymared apples from Missouri orchard.
Compare Jonathan's average color (above) with the seven Solid Blazing Red JON-A-RED shown. As JON-A-RED colors much earlier, it can be picked before any apples drop, while still hard ripe, hence keeps longer, sells higher.
JONARED—New! U.S. PATENT
Early Coloring BRIGHT-RED Jonathan Apples

JONARED—Supreme New Apple of the Jonathan Group
$2,000.00 WAS PAID FOR ORIGINAL JONARED APPLE TREE

JONARED Trees Are Sold Only By Stark Bro’s

Jonared has all the familiar exquisite Jonathan flavor most highly developed; it has the Jonathan characteristics of size and form; but—Jonared is almost Twice As Red—a BRIGHT SOLID, BLAZING RED—WITHOUT A SIGN OF A STRIPE. This Bright Red color reaches from the stem to the calyx, a true, Bright and Glowing Red (Not a blackish red) but an attractive BRIGHT CLEAR vivid red.

Jonared takes on this marvelous color LONG BEFORE OLD JONATHAN BEGINS TO TURN RED, enabling the grower to pick Jonared while it is still hard and solid, and Before The Danger of Dropping. As one Orchardman puts it—"This feature will make millions for apple growers." It will on the market one of the most beautiful red apples, with 100% Fancy Grade from the tree, so far as color is concerned. That 100% Red Color will vastly increase the growers’ profits—every year!

The superb quality of JONARED is that of a perfectly ripened Jonathan—a quality that is hard to describe. It is rich, spicy, tangful—one of the finest flavors among all apples, and so recognized by all markets and all connoisseurs.

Earlier Picking—Longer Keeper

The new JONARED matches and frequently surpasses ordinary Jonathan for young and heavy bearing. JONARED also excels in long keeping quality and freedom from storage scald. It is an all-purpose apple as superior for cooking and canning as it is for eating fresh. The tree is disease resistant and hardy, sturdily thriving North, East, South and West.

"I am pleased to see JONARED, the new Red Jonathon sport. There is no question about the value of the additional red color. Here in Iowa the Jonathon does remarkably well, but many times the best red (ordinary Jonathan) apples drop before the bulk of the crop is ready to harvest. Unless Jonathon hangs late a considerable percentage is not full red, so our Iowa orchardists would gain considerably if a full-red Jonathon is made available for planting"—H. L. Lantz, Asst. Prof. Pomology, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

This Bright-Red JONARED ranks high among commercial varieties—in popularity with Starking, Golden Delicious, Scarlet Staymared. Jonared is today probably the third or fourth most popular apple in America. The color and freedom from storage scald of Jonared will be far more popular than Jonathans ever has been.

Starking, Golden Delicious, Scarlet Staymared and Jonared! What a combination for the commercial grower—and all small orchard owners, too!

JONARED Trees Sold ONLY by Stark Bro’s

Photo Below: Horticulturists examining a JONARED graft. Even this photograph shows brilliant solid-red color of JONARED (at right) compared to ordinary Jonathan, still green (at left) on same branch.
Early Summer Apples — Apple Ripening Seasons

**EARLY SUMMER**
- Early Red Bird
- Henry Clay
- Liveland Raspberry
- Yellow Transparent
- Early Harvest
- Barecrop
- Red Astrachan
- Melba
- William's Early Red
- Sweet Dough
- Early Golden (Lodi)

**SUMMER**
- Early McIntosh
- Duchess (Double-Red)
- Summer Queen
- Wine Red Jane
- Cranberry Swamp
- Summer Champion
- Yellow House—2nd
- Jellico Red
- Am Summer Pearlman
- Maiden Blush

**FALL APPLES**
- Baldwin—2nd
- Golden Russet—2nd
- Patten Greening—2nd
- Wolfley—2nd
- Imperial Rambo
- Wolf River—2nd

**EARLY WINTER**
- Wagener
- 2nd
- Farm—1st
- Hubbardston—2nd
- N. J. Greener
- Tompkins King—2nd

**Red Rome—Canada** — 2nd

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**Early Red Bird**

(Erroneously known by some as Crimson Beauty.)

Erect tree of all apples and strikingly beautiful—fairest flowering, scarlet red apples of great size that ripens 7 to 10 days earlier than Transparent and Red Astrachan. Tree strong growing, vigorous, extremely hardy, bears young and produces tremendous annual crops. Comes on the market earlier than any other apple, and being wonderfully attractive have sold for double the price of Transparent and Red Astrachan. Just what the early apple grower wants for big profit. **Eating, Cooking, Market, N.C.S.**

We do not hesitate to recommend Early Red Bird for every home orchard—and we believe it is the lowest priced for extremely early ripening apples now offered in the commercial orchard. Prof. Henry, Canadian Dept. Agr., has hauled on 2-year trees, better shippers than Yellow Transparent, 12' high, and ripens a brilliant deep red—entirely oveispread with a blush and ripens its crop quickly and evenly. Tree grows on all soils and ripens its crop quickly and evenly. Tree grows on all soils and ripens its crop quickly and evenly.

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**Wilson Red June**

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EARLY GOLDEN (LODI)

SUMMER CHAMPION

JEFFERIS RED

WILLIAMS EARLY RED

STARK FLORENCE CRAB

BRIGHT RED WEALTHY

IMPERIAL RAMBO

MAIDEN BLUSH

WILLIAMS EARLY RED® SturJec Bro's Nurseries Louisiana, Mo
Wealthy Fall. Best of all fall apples, extensively grown East, West, North, and South—everywhere, where the best of its seasons. For hardiness, productive bearing, good colors and keeping quality, this is a most desirable variety. Its flavor is delicious, a fine balance of sweetness and tartness. It ripens late and keeps well. A fine choice for market or home use. Plant Stark Record-Bearing Strain.

Summer Champion Late Summer. The most beautiful, the best quality, the largest and the earliest shipper of all late summer apples. A great favorite everywhere. In our test orchards found large crops each season. Fruit solid red-orange, good size, heavy bearer, bears well into winter. High solid crimson; otherwise identical. High solid crimson; otherwise identical. Bears heavily every year. Good to cook or for preserves. Slightly tart, excellent flavor. Good for all uses. Plant Stark Record-Bearing Strain.

Craford Florence Early Fall. A beautiful hardy new golden crab from Benjamin Stark, famous Illinois fruit grower, who considered Gold the best of all the many grafted trees he ever tried. Gold bears big crops each season. Fruit solid red, with bright yellow blush. Leaves large, glossy, hardy. Foliage resists heat and drought. A fine choice for market or home use. Plant Stark Record-Bearing Strain.

Old Oak Process Whole Root Trees

Three-year-old Stark Florence Crab Trees bearing over a bushel of very choice fruit. (Above.) Photos show the late C. M. Stark who visited the Original Florence Tree, recognized its value and arranged for us to introduce it.

A Wealthy Tree in the Missouri orchard of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stark, is a real treasure, said to be the best of all fall apples. The fruit is very large, sweet, firm and tender. It is very hardy, resists heat and drought. It is a wonderful shipper of all late summer apples. A great favorite everywhere. In our test orchards found large crops each season. Fruit solid red-orange, good size, heavy bearer, bears well into winter. High solid crimson; otherwise identical. Bears heavily every year. Good to cook or for preserves. Slightly tart, excellent flavor. Good for all uses. Plant Stark Record-Bearing Strain.
STARK
KING DAVID

DOUBLE-LIFE
(Trade Mark)
GRIMES GOLDEN

RHODE ISLAND
GREENING

BelLEFLOWER
IMPROVED

McINTOSH RED

© Rock Roy's Nursery, Lebanon, Mo.
**Winter.** The famous spicy Grimes Golden apple, for over 50 years the Queen of Quality among apples. Medium size, beautiful golden yellow, central shape. Possesses an alluring flavor that is surpassed or equals by only one yellow apple—Stark's Golden Delicious. A moderately spreading grower, makes a beautiful orchard tree. The tree trunk, however, is subject to collar rot and is short lived, but the Stark "Double-Life" Process of growing the tree resists collar rot. This "Double-Life" Process, Trademarked by Stark Bro's, as conceived and completely tested and proven by Wm. Cutter of Colorado says: "Will outbear Old. King David full of apples show over-estimate or over-push King David.

**Jonathan** (Young Bearing Strain) Winter. A fine red apple with a peculiar fragrance that makes it popular on the fancy fruit stand and well liked for home and kitchen use. Uniform in size, beautiful crimson, flesh soft, delicate—almost mealy white. The propagation is from a selected Montana Red McIntosh orchard and is carefully kept pure. The tree is long-lived, extremely hardy, a strong spreading grower and comes into bearing young. Eating, Cooking, Drying, Cider, Market, NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro's.

**McIntosh Red** Early Winter. A tender, juicy apple with a peculiar fragrance that makes it popular on the fancy fruit stand and well liked for home and kitchen use. Uniform in size, beautiful crimson, flesh soft, delicate—almost mealy white. The propagation is from a selected Montana Red McIntosh orchard and is carefully kept pure. The tree is long-lived, extremely hardy, a strong spreading grower and comes into bearing young. Eating, Cooking, Drying, Cider, Market, NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro's.

**Grimes Golden Double-Life** (Trade Mark) Here is the answer to the demand for the Grimes Golden tree. The increased vigor results in a Grimes Golden tree that will bear more, bigger, longer. With our "Double-Life" process, the life of the tree is doubled. This new tree is no subject to collar rot—doubles the life of the tree and makes the tree resistant to this disease. Costs More—But It Pays. Jonathan (Young Bearing Strain) Winter. A fine red apple with a peculiar fragrance that makes it popular on the fancy fruit stand and well liked for home and kitchen use. Uniform in size, beautiful crimson, flesh soft, delicate—almost mealy white. The propagation is from a selected Montana Red McIntosh orchard and is carefully kept pure. The tree is long-lived, extremely hardy, a strong spreading grower and comes into bearing young. Eating, Cooking, Drying, Cider, Market, NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro's. **Bellflower Improved** (Mary's Orange) Winter. A Kimball seedling of Bellflower. Best of its class—a young bearer. Gardiner says: "Outbears all others in my orchard; never failed a crop since five years old." World's highest prices. This is our better bellflower two to one. Eating, Cooking, Drying, Market, NCS.

**Rhode Island Greening** Winter. Large, beautiful golden color—green blush. An old favorite for pie and cooking. We propagate best strain. Cooking, Drying, Market, NCS.

**Stark King David** (Trade Mark) Winter. Bore all over the U.S. when all the old standby apples were killed by frost. Late bloomer—sure bearer. Youngest, heaviest bearer we have ever fruited, except Stark's Golden Delicious. Full of spicy, wine-like juice—flesh, rich cream color. Averages larger than Jonathan, is a solid deep (almost black) red. A fruiting King David tree is a glorious sight. At a distance looks like an immense pile of black wine-red apples. Tree is spreading, vigorous, and no tree will bear more bushels. We found this marvelous apple many years ago on a trip over a rough Ozark Mountain road—still loaded with gloriously colored apples, October 5th, 5 weeks after Jonathan had fallen. After careful investigation we bought it. Has made good all over America in both home and commercial orchards. Always commands Top Prices. Eating, Cooking, Cider, Market, NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro's.

**Double-Life** Grimes bear enormous crops and live much longer than ordinary Grimes trees. Stark King David (Trade Mark) *Winter.* As a filler tree no variety is better. The young bearing good red apple, R. V. Carrell, Rochester, N. Y., writes: "Out of 20 varieties Kent David is our best seller. It is highly colored, uniform in size, uniform in flavor—better than Jonathan; the tree is an annual bearer, free from blight, forms the finest local and the fruit hangs longer than Jonathan. You cannot overestimate or over-push King David."

"Stark Trees" 1140 fine apples. No tree will bear more bushels. The Grimes Golden tree has a fatal fault—collar rot, causing the death of thousands of acres of Grimes Golden trees just when they should be most profitable—at 12 to 15 years of age. To control this bad habit, our years of experimenting has perfected our "Double-Life" method of growing which insures long life and strength to the Grimes Golden tree trunk, and should double the value of this variety in the orchard.

**DOUBLE-LIFE PROCESS** "Stark Trees"
Rome, Double-Red

Introduced by Stark Bro's.

Beauty and in addition to it being a brilliant red in color, adding tremendously to its value. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of this popular old apple, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport, which grows cheaper to all others. This is a brilliant red apple, hard, tender, firm, good quality, hardy, latest of the best bloomers, and bears heavy crops every year. Last season it was one of four varieties of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.

Stayman Winesap

fruit of an old Stayman Srom, which was named for the famous G. J. Hopkins Virginia orchard. It is in quality and price of the Winesaps grown and advertised into this famous orchard, has authores and outgrown any of the other Winesaps—and the fruit is even better. Last year it bore 16 barrels, the year before 16 barrels, through the entire 18year period. Prior to this the owners noticed it continually bore regular, heavier crops. In this strain, aparting from all other Winesaps, is the fact that this tree is hardy and does well on any kind of land. It grows better where other Winesaps fail or outgrown. The fruit is large, tender, juicy, which has proven superior to all others. It is a spectacular color and extremely large. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of Winesap, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport from this Record Breaking Tree. We were looking for a new Winesap and got one of four varieties out of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.

Winesap

(Stark Virginia Strains.) Late Win-

ter. A great favorite in commercial orchards. A money-maker for growers who want a "barrel-filler"—good insurance. Stark Red Rome Beauty give brilliancy to the market, and also makes a great bearing record. In New England and Northern states, a money-maker that has proven superior to all others. It is a spectacular color and extremely large. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of Winesap, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport from this Record Breaking Tree. We were looking for a new Winesap and got one of four varieties out of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.

Fameuse (Snow)

introduced by Stark Bro's. This wonderful bluish red Winesap color plants. It is a distinct strain from selected parent tree in Vermont. Tree bears well in all northern states. Fruit rich crimson with pure white flesh—excellent eating quality. Markets of same quality longer, a better keeper and shipped heavier. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Baldwin, Double-Red

Late Winter. Just as much better than old Baldwin as Starking is better than Delicious. Deep, brilliant Double-Red colored true Baldwin. Our trees propagated from original tree discovered in New Hampshire. This improved "Double-Red" strain makes an exceedingly attractive market apple for New England, where it reaches perfection and is heavily marketed. Stark Tree apples are heavier than Baldwin. Finer textured, darker red than old Baldwin, above minced, balcony, palatable, perfectly sized, flavorful, good keeping. As fruit colors early, will sell at far better prices. Tastefully bolder, larger, spicier, sometimes slow coming into bearing, often irregular bearing. This new strain proved very popular wherever Baldwin is grown. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Senator

(Stark-Martha Late Winter). A splendid, large apple, exceedingly popular, grown with Sugar-Bush, Winesaps, Monday, etc., in northern states. Senator proved by far best of this type. Fruit high quality, firm, juicy. Tree large, bears heavily. Eating, Cooking, cider, market. NNC.

NORTHERN SPY

Late Winter. A true Northern Spy but with color, means higher prices and practically no competition. Best of all Red apples for Cooking, Drying, Market. NCS.

Fameuse (Snow)

introduced by Stark Bro's. A typical Spy except in color which is solid red. It puts the old Spy out of commission. Our Double-Red Rome Strain is better.

Cortland

Winter. A splendid, large, glossy, cherry-red apple, good keeper and splendid cooker. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Winesap

Late Winter. A true Winesap with Winesap color. A money-maker for growers who want a "barrel-filler"—good insurance. Stark Red Rome Beauty give brilliancy to the market, and also makes a great bearing record. In New England and Northern states, a money-maker that has proven superior to all others. It is a spectacular color and extremely large. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of Winesap, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport from this Record Breaking Tree. We were looking for a new Winesap and got one of four varieties out of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.

Gallia Beauty

Winter. A solid red apple of high quality. One of the best varieties of Ohio. Tree hardy, strong grower. Fruit attractive red, large, tender, juicy, which has proven superior to all others. It is a spectacular color and extremely large. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of Winesap, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport from this Record Breaking Tree. We were looking for a new Winesap and got one of four varieties out of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.

Winesap

(Stark Virginia Strains.) Late Win-

ter. A great favorite in commercial orchards. A money-maker for growers who want a "barrel-filler"—good insurance. Stark Red Rome Beauty give brilliancy to the market, and also makes a great bearing record. In New England and Northern states, a money-maker that has proven superior to all others. It is a spectacular color and extremely large. We have thoroughly tested many red strains of Winesap, but are concentrating now on a Double-Red Sport from this Record Breaking Tree. We were looking for a new Winesap and got one of four varieties out of 200 in our orchards. It came through the killing late spring frosts and bore a crop of fruit.
Stark Delicious—Original Tree

"The Finest Red Apple In All The World!"—said Luther Burbank, before we discovered Starking. This great, big, flaming LATE WINTER red apple is the one so easily recognized because of its beautiful waxen skin of deep crimson blushing off into golden yellow at the blossom end, with its five knob-like protruberances. Have you sunk your teeth with joyous relief into the tender, crisp, juice-laden flesh of a Delicious apple? If so, you must be still snacking your lips over its deliciously DIFFERENT flavor. You must still remember its alluring aroma, with its faint suggestion of sparkling old wine. Admittedly, the Delicious IS "The Dessert Apple Supreme!"

The Genuine ORIGINAL TREE Strain Stark Delicious Trees are far more valuable than old Mammoth Black Twig. We consider it heavy, young-bearing tree selected because of extra high color on fruit. Stark Delicious, after 40 years of popularity, has only one commercial fault—lack of sufficient color sometimes preventing a large percentage of the fruit from going into fancy commercial color grade. But its popularity has been maintained despite this drawback.

The discovery and introduction of Starking (Solid-Red Delicious) which occurred as a bad sport on a Stark Delicious tree in a New Jersey orchard, gave the Orchards a new improved "Double-Red" Delicious that was deep solid red all over. Today the Solid Red Stark Delicious is almost exclusively where a tree of the Delicious type is wanted.

Starking is putting millions of dollars of extra profit in the pockets of fruit growers, now they can sell to the market as "Double-Red" Delicious that are a deep solid, blazing red—and EVERYTHING Else besides. It is the only Improved Delicious to carry a solid, uniform, deep crimson color two or three weeks before the other reds. Then there are other tremendous advantages—Starking can be picked while they have hard ripes, insuring late keeping—for Starking is the only Delicious that has a distinct early color or two or three weeks before the others. They will market quicker thus bringing premium prices. Orchards also report—"Starking Bears years younger than ordinary Delicious." See Complete Starking Descriptions Pages 10 to 15.

Turley Late Winter—A beautiful large apple of the Winesap type. Originated in Indiana, where it is very popular, and in many other sections its popularity is increasing. The tree is a vigorous sturdy grower and is an ideally formed orchard tree, with strong crotches. Fruit large, uniform, with deep shiny all-over-red color. Flavor milder than old Winesap. Keeps fine, its large size and haft of producing excellent crops uniformly distributed over the tree has made it very profitable. Eating, Cooking, Cider. Market. NCS.

Stark Delicious scene in R. A. Watson orchard near Neoga, Ill. All above trees are Stark Delicious. Mr. M., Mgr., gathered 20,000 barrels from 120-acres Stark Trees. He has much experience with fruit trees, but he likes Stark Trees best.

Of course, NOW, we recommend the Improved, Double-Red Delicious—STARKING, instead of Delicious, for planting in Commercial Orchards. For home orchards, however, Delicious still has our heartiest recommendations.

Starking—New "DOUBLE-RED" Delicious

See Complete STARKING Description Pages 10 to 15

STARK QUINCE

Van Deman—Our $3000 Quince

(Trade Mark) Introduced by Stark Bro's.

Best and largest of Quinces grown and tested in the great Stark Test Orchard. Truly, "The Golden Apple of The Hemisphere." One of our $9000 quinces purchased from the late Luther Burbank. He wrote "Baked, canned or dried it retains best quince flavor. Side by side with other commercial varieties it is superior in size, quality, flavor and beauty." Superb flavor, fine texture, ideal for baking, canning, preserves. Tree very productive, healthy, succeeds North. NCS.

Orange Quince—An old favorite quince probably the leading commercial variety in the U. S. today. Van Deman and Orange are popular because less subject to blights than others. Tree vigorous, sturdy, prolific, well adapted to North. Fruit ripens early mid-season, round, golden yellow. Flesh fine, juicy, mild, beautiful dark red when cooked. Very good quality. NCS.

Iowa's State Monument to the Original Stark Delicious Apple Tree Erected A.D. 1922 By Historical Department of Iowa
Lincoln

3 years old; one of youngest.

Dwarf Duchess and Boy, both in every orchard.

Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Lincoln is Blight Resistant—"Lincoln mere blight resistant than any other; equals Bartlett in flavor and texture. Good keepers, rarely diseased; have never discovered a water-killed tree." —W. Jones, Emmett Co., Idaho.

Anjou

Large handsome yellow pear blushed dull red and of richest flavor. Tree upright, good bearer, strong grower, hardy, bears young, blooms late, remarkably free from blight. Markets always ready for them at premium prices. Succeeds everywhere and is a great favorite for both home and market orchard. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Stark Seckel

(Sugar Pear.) Late Summer. A select strain of the wonderful pear that we have grown for years. Medium size, beautiful yellow; spicy, honeyed flavor—the same of pear perfection. Tree hardy, bushy, blights little. Succeeds in all pear sections. Should be grown in every home orchard; not one-tenth enough have ever been grown to supply the demand. Eating, Cooking, Dessert. NCS.

Duchess

(Early Summer.) Extremely large, thin weight over a pound; dull yellow, excellent quality—elegant housewives’ favorite. Tree long lived, bushy, hardy, bears extremely young and produces a crop every year. Has been a favorite for generations and at full one of the few. Should be planted in home orchards and for market. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Stark Tyson

(Very Early Summer.) Looks just like a Seckel, but ripens extremely early; medium size, yellow, blushed red, excellent. Tree hardy, long lived, very free from blight. We propagate from a select strain from Henry Walls, St. Louis Co., Mo. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

OR1 LEAKED PROCESS Whole Root Trees

4-year Lincoln Bearing Heavy Crop of Fine Pears.

Driveway bordered with 3-year-old Stark Kieffer pears. Fruit trees along roadways add beauty to the farm and are a yearly source of profit.

Fame

There is no more delicious pear than this; juicy, melting, sweet and rich. Sells few, almost no core; large, blushed yellow. Hardy, strong, long-lived orchard pear; a young bearer, does exceedingly well as a dwarf. Blight resistant. A hardy, Native American pear. Originated in Northern Arkansas.

Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Gorham—New

Late Summer. A LATE BARTLETT. Originated at New York Experiment Station. A Bartlett cross. Tree vigorous, very resistant to blight. A splendid pollinizer. Fruit resembles Bartlett in size, color and shape, but ripens 2 weeks later and lasts much longer. Flavor is sweet, pleasantly aromatic. Flesh is white, tender, buttery and juicy—fine flavor. "Best pear in many years" reports N. Y. Expt. Station. Illinois Station says "Less subject to blight than Kieffer." Georgia Station reports "Much more blight resistant than Bartlett." Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Kieffer

"Fruits of this variety are the most widely planted pear, because it bears the best for canning and shipping. To properly ripen for eating, pick when reach full size, but before they color come in dark, dry rooms. Tree vigorous, young, regular and heavy bearer; orbea in the best for c aning. Best new pear in many years."—A. S. W. St. Louis Co., Mo.

Bartlett

Large, rich, golden yellow, sometimes tinted red. Fine for canning and baking, but only fair quality for eating fresh. Tree hardy, thrifty, blights little. Succeeds everywhere in our orchard. Resists blight, succeeds everywhere. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Anjou

Large handsome yellow pear blushed dull red and of richest flavor. Tree upright, good bearer, strong grower, hardy, bears young, blooms late, remarkably free from blight. Markets always ready for them at premium prices. Succeeds everywhere and is a great favorite for both home and market orchard. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Stark Trees Bear Fruit

In 2 years — all Stark Trees.

Less than 1/4 acre netted me $1400.00. A well-cared for Pear Orchard Pays Big Profits.

Our wonderful Gold Plum has created a greater sensation and made more friends among Plum growers than any other variety ever introduced. Luther Burbank, who originated Gold Plum, says—“A most remarkable fruit—one of the best plums ever produced.” Fruit clear, semi-transparent, light gold in color, later nearly over-spread with a hazy crimson blush. When fully ripe a transparent light cherry red. Tree does best in sandy soils and on moderately dry, thin or clay soils; rather dwarfs growing, but strong, healthy, and one of the hardiest. We paid Burbank $3,000.00 for this wonderful fruit and Trade-Marked the name. Buy the genuine Stark Gold from Stark Bro’s, the exclusive introducers and owners. Succeeds everywhere—from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from the Great Lakes to the Gulf.

Mid-Season. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro’s.

America (Japanese) (Missouri) Mid-Season. “Sweet as honey.” Best of all Gage Plums. Greenish yellow, much larger than old Green Gage. America is larger, firmer, smoother, sweeter, more beautiful, and delicious than old Green Gage. Can always be depended on for home consumption and market. For preserves and markets it has no superior. The home or market gardener is not complete without it. Originated in Stark Nursery. Cooking, Eating, Canning, Market. NCS.

Stark Green Cage Early. One of the best Hardy Plums of its kind. Orchard is not complete without it. In Stark birth or propagation from extra-productive Record-Bearing Parent tree. Fruit deep purplish-red, large size, good quality. Firm, keeps over winter. Damson are money makers and should be in every orchard. Plant with Indian Blood and Robinson (Japanese). Extremely hardy. Originated in Stark Nursery. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS.

Stark Damson Mid-Season. Very Early. A Burbank production. The name was picked by John Fisk, of Stark Nurseries, for one of the most remarkable fruits ever produced. Tree is moderately tall, very free growing, and bears a tremendous crop. Fruit large, firm, deep red, skin glossy —a tremendous plum. Excellent for cooking. Long season—July 15 to November 1. We paid Burbank $3,000.00 for this fruit. Cooking, Market. NCS.


Gold—Trade Mark—Our $3,000 Plum

Early Gold (Shiro) Very Early. Marvelously beautiful, transparent golden yellow plum—a huge honey flavor. This fruit is fruit of the future—next year. An enormous fruit; skin transparent, deep red colored, very attractive. Tree is hardly, very prolific. Succeeds North and is one of the greatest plums for the South—Texas, Arizona, Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Tennessee, Kentucky. Variety grown it to perfection. Eating, Cooking, Canning, Market. NCS.
FINALLY, after years of most exacting tests, we are ready to offer and recommend the most marvelous plum ever fruited since the world began—Burbank's "Elephant Heart!" This plum verily "seems too good to be true," Even after you have held one of these huge blood-red-fruits in your hand, reveled in its exquisite lusciousness and—eagerly reached for another, you find yourself ecstatically wondering, "Can This Actually Be a Plum?" It is the crowning triumph of Burbank's life-time endeavor to develop finer fruit for mankind.

Best Freestone Blood-Fleshed Plum Known to Mankind

The greatest triumph of all the Master Plant Breeder's painstaking life work of selecting and perfecting a Blood-Fleshed plum of enormous size and transcendent quality and flavor—a glorious success that came to light after his death and one that represents the first fruition of our experts' continuance of his life work.

Starting 'way back half a Century ago with 12 little seedling trees that he had imported from an isolated section of Southern Japan, he worked diligently towards his goal. And—NOW—the triumphant climax, Burbank's "Elephant Heart," the supreme BEST of over 800 new varieties of great promise that were perfected and bequeathed to Stark Bro's after his years and years of exacting selection and rejections, when we took over the Burbank Experimental Gardens, After Stark Bro's years of tests of this plum and the tree that bears it—here in the Mississippi Valley, in California, in Missouri, in Illinois and in other localities where climates and soils and sectional conditions which would determine its adaptability—it earned a place at the very peak of Burbank's horticultural creations. The outstanding Achievement of the Greatest Fruit Wonder Worker in the History of the World!

Huge New Amazingly Sweet Red Fleshed Hardy

The best freestone blood-fleshed plum that has ever been discovered and introduced! Tree is wonderfully hardy, fast growing, vigorous and healthy.
No. 11 GREAT YELLOW PLUM—U. S. Patented

Earliest Yellow Freestone Plum. Ripens even earlier than Early Shiro and is much larger.

Largest most outstanding solid golden plum of all the Burbank Wonder Creations. Our Test Orchard Dept. describes it as "a huge, wonderfully beautiful pure golden plum, large as a small apple." A freestone when fully ripe, from 2 to 2½ inches in diameter, excellent quality and with a very tiny seed. This plum was given by Burbank and is most fitting for it is pure yellow without sign of blush.

Best of the Early Yellow Plums—mild and sweet, with just the right touch of acid near seed. Tops buds annually a year and a half old tree a splendid crop of huge plums in North Missouri, after 14 below zero. The beauty of this huge translucent golden plum is beyond description, and its remarkable size will command instant attention on any market.

Flesh is very solid, and holds up remarkably well in shipping, having carried 2500 miles without refrigeration during hottest weather and arrived in excellent condition. Plum Experts say: "Great Yellow and Honey Moon are unquestionably two of the Greatest Yellow plums in existence." NCS. (No. 11 on Opposite Page.)

No. 13 MAMMOTH CARDINAL

Splendid New Giant U. S. Patent Plum

A huge red, poli-flesh plum of surpassing beauty. The very best of Burbank's Red- Skinned, Yellow-Fleshed plums. Color brilliant striking cherry-red all-over. Largest—some, measuring 2½ in. across. Has very thick, rich, semi-transparent, creamy yellow flesh—firm, fine-grained, solid. Splendid shipper. Possesses a sweet, mild, delicate flavor, absolutely free from sharp acidity. All our experts feel that Mammoth Cardinal, because of earliness, huge size, remarkable beauty and splendid shipper, qualities, will quickly take a lead in world's markets.

NCS. (No. 13 on Opposite Page.)

No. 3 JUNE BLOOD

Very Early Blood Plum. This is the earliest Blood Plum known, and one of Burbank's marvelous Creations. The finest, best, and most fracture-proof of all Blood Plums.

"A rich, delicious, deep purple plum. Skin of firm, unbroken nature. Color and flavor of all plums ripening at this season. Flavor richer—darker—mature—earlier—larger—than others; greatest—round—regular—buck—firm—crisp—full of delicious plums." NCS. (No. 3 on Opposite Page.)

No. 5 HONEYMOON—Delicious Yellow

Luscious Green Gage Hybrid. Here Burbank produces a glorious golden yellow plum. Fruit large size, pure (almost transparent) golden yellow with flavor very much like a perfectly ripened Green Gage.

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No. 2 PURPLE FLAME

A Brilliant Burbank Purple Leaf Ornamental Lawn Tree

Striking Bright Purple Leaf Ornamental Lawn Tree

Fruits. Our customers are protected against irresponsible imitations.

No. 15 PURPLE PLUMCOT

Half Plum Half Apricot

Early—Luther Burbank was the first man in the world to combine the fine delights of both Plum and Apricot in one new fruit—the Plumcot. This PURPLE PLUMCOT is his finest blood-fleshed variety—huge, often 2 in. across. Gorgeous purplish red, with flesh blood-red clear to pit. Perfect freestone, absolutely free from sharp acidity. All our experts feel that this is the very best Plumcot among all Burbank's offerings.

NCS. (No. 15 on Opposite Page.)

No. 4 GRAND PRIZE Purple Prune

Early—Magnificent, big, beautiful, long shared Freestone, often 2½ inches long—has a bluish-purple skin with beautiful light blue bloom. The flesh is extraordinarily delicious and transparent golden yellow, sweet, juicy, prune, and a perfect freestone. See very thin and exceedingly small for such a large plum. Far superior to ordinary prunes. Very large, high quality. An excellent shipper, with strong skin that does not crack. Burbank considered this prune one of his outstanding creations and gave it more space and attention than any other prune. NCS. (No. 4 on Opposite Page.)

No. 9 Golden Sugar Prune

Sweeter, riper of all Burbank's yellow prunes. Large—some measure 2½ inches long. Skin golden yellow, flesh light transparent yellow, like honey. Perfect freestone. Excellent shipper. Every home should have few trees. NCS. (No. 9 on Opposite Page.)

No. 12 JUNE REDSKIN PLUM—U. S. Patent Plum

Very Early. Marvelously beautiful perfectly round red Freestone Burbank Creation with golden yellow flesh. Huge. Ripens few days after June Blood and Great Yellow. Sweet and juicy. Tree heavy bearer. Very Hardy. Withstood 24 below zero shipper—fine commercial variety. NCS. (No. 12 on Opposite Page.)

No. 7 RED ACE

Blood Flesh Freestone

Mild-Skinned, Reminisces Elephant Heart. Gorgeous, large red-fleshed plum, at composition of Great Elephant Heart. Burbank describes it as "Big—regular—small seed—sweet as sugar. Rich, with delicious flavor—exceedingly productive. Tree disease-proof. Wonderful shipper—bears thickly to three trees after main crop has been gathered. No sign of rot. Tree very young and heavy bearer. Never winter killed. Has withstood 24 below zero. 3 yr. old trees in Mo. under highbush conditions have produced fine crops, and are in demand at premium prices in market. NCS. (No. 7 on Opposite Page, also Illustrated below.)
Hal-Berta Giant
World's First U. S. Patented Peach

Hal-Berta Giant average size on left compared to Elberta grown in the same orchard on the right.
HAL-BERTA GIANT—World's First Patented Peach

Original Tree at 4 Yrs. Bore 6 Bu. of Peaches—Many Weighing a Pound Each!

Here's the amazing NEW Mid-Season Perfect Freestone Yellow Peach—the Giant son of J. H. Hale, which FILLS the long-felt market need for a supremely HIGH QUALITY, EXTRA LARGE, AND BEARS FREESTONE peach to lengthen the Hale-Elberta season. It is a beautiful peach—almost fuzzless skin—small pit—firm, solid, luscious, honey-juice flesh.

Original Hal-Berta Tree at 4 Years Bore 6 Bushels of Superb Peaches—Half of Which Weighed a Pound Each

We sent men, who know peaches like Lindbergh knows an airplane, to quietly inspect the Original HAL-BERTA GIANT Peach Tree, and its golden fruit. The report was—"So marvelous that one must see this tree in order to get a real idea of how Beautiful and BIG peaches can be. Magnificent size and striking color. These peaches have developed with very little moisture. If moisture had been normal, they would have been STILL BIGGER." Ripest Mid-Season, usually a week to 10 days after Hale and Elberta. Will continue and lengthen Season, usually a week to 10 days after have been STILL BIGGER." Ripens Mid-Season, though 30 per cent LARGER than J. H. Hale—Bears BUMPER CROPS LIKE ELBERTA. Hale)—bears BUMPERS CROPS LIKE ELBERTA. Hale—Bears Heavy as Elberta, 30% Larger Than J. H. Hale. Will continue and lengthen Season, usually a week to 10 days after.

Our Tree Stood 23° Below Zero—2-Yr. Olds Bore 1½ Bu.

"Had wonderful success with your Hal-Berta Giant Giant. Tree stood 23 below zero, and bore at 2 years old they averaged 1½ bushels per tree of most beautiful peaches I ever saw."—J. G. Johnson, LaPlata, Mo.

50 Bushels—Twice as Big as Elbertas

"Picked 50 bushels of Hal-Berta Giants last year from your young trees. Some of them weighed 1½ pounds (26 ounces) each. They had excellent quality—much better than Elberta, and were almost double size of Elbertas. We never saw a more beautiful peach. They held up well and went to market in perfect shape, where they brought me as high as $3.00 per basket. They ripened a week or 10 days after Elberta."—J. M. Robinson, Mass.

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HAL-BERTA GIANT, JULY ELBERTA and GOLDEN ELBERTA CLING Trees Sold ONLY by Stark Bro's

© Stark Bros. Nurseries, Louisiana, Mo.
**Stark Early Elberta**

Quality King of ALL Yellow Freestones

The Supreme Yellow Peach, most delicious yellow variety known. Most valuable of over 4,000,000 new peaches sent out by us. Huge size, glorious pure golden yellow, sometimes tinted with flashing red. Stark Early Elberta averages larger than old Elberta, has a strong protecting skin, covering a luscious flesh that is flavored with a juice as sweet as nectar, better canner than any other yellow Freestone. It allures with its beauty, gratifies with its quality and sells for top market prices everywhere. The peach lovers of the nation have put upon it the stamp of their approval and it is today the most-talked-of and best liked of all peaches.

Stark Early Elberta is a Stark Variety—originated and introduced by us over 15 years ago from Utah where the first tree fruited. It has fruited from New York to California, from Michigan to Georgia and throughout the entire country has won the admiration of every grower. It ripens from a week to 10 days ahead of old Elberta and enables the grower to put big, handsome, luscious yellow peaches on the market before Elbertas are ready. Sells for $3.50 when Elberta from the same orchard goes at $1.50 because it hits the market at just the right time. Tree, sturdy grower, harder than Elberta and can be depended upon for big crops.

Dr. Sumner Gleason who fruited the first Stark Early Elberta in Kaysville, Utah, Stark Bro's N. & O. Co., Louisiana, Mo. Dear Sirs.

This is to inform you that I have never supplied buds from the original Early Elberta tree or other trees of the same variety to any nursery except Stark Bro's, Louisiana, Mo.

Very truly,

SUMNER GLEASON.

Below—Stark Early Elberta and ruler in center of 3 peaches—Carman to left, Old Elberta to right. Dr. Gleason and original Stark Early Elberta Tree. Basket of Stark Early Elberta and ruler.

Label (to left) is always on Every Genuine Stark Early Elberta. Average Specimens grown in the same orchard, Stark Early Elberta brought 86 per cent more than Old Elberta.

Below—a 3-year-old Loaded Orchard of Stark Early Elberta. The Greatest Peach from over 4,000,000 Seedlings Sent Out for Testing by Stark Bro's.
to be the Long Sought For VERY Early Yellow TRUE FREESTONE Peach—ripening about 20 days BEFORE Elberta—halfway between June Elberta and Stark Early. An excellent high quality Yellow Free¬stone Peach for Shipping, Eating Fresh and splendid for Canning.

**Outstanding Commercial Peach**

"My July Elberta, 2 years old, set good crop and bore 10 bushels of hot deep red and gold peaches. They hang on tree week of 10 days after shipping stage, showing they are good shippers. I think July Elberta the outstanding peach among many early varieties I grow. They bear earlier—3 weeks before Elberta. Flavor is good in quality. Growth of tree while bearing crop is splendid. This is the best peach you can plant. I want more this fall. Be in a peach you can't better it—mich-mash fame and sales are on this peach in the catalog."—Logan Fain, Morris Co., Texas.

**Greatest Peach Ever Produced**

"July Elberta in my orchard is the most magnificent peach it has been my privilege to witness. Wonderful in size and most beautiful rich coloration, blemishing to very dark orange on under-side. Meat fully an inch thick. I think July Elberta the greatest peach ever produced in this state, and one no artist can properly reproduce. Flavor just can't be excelled."—W. D. Fleming, Oklahoma Co., Okla.

**Hardesti Than Others**

"My 2-year July Elbertas have made very satisfactory growth and are bearing this year. They are harder than the other peaches I have."—Nicholas Bra's, Glencoe, Co., N. J.

**Only Variety That Has Good Crop**

"My July Elberta are growing well, and in the only peach that has a good crop."—Louis H. Christ, Jefferson Co., Mo.

**Grows Amazing J. H. Halles on $10 Land**

From photo of tree bearing alongside Elberta and Stark in June Elberta orchard at Nashville, Ark., I was told to plant them on land for $10 an acre and planted them to Stark and Stark Golden Delicious, later Stark Hales. They were not big or good enough to plant.

**All You Claim for It!**

Spent 3 years in the largest peach orchard in America—the Bert Johnston Orchards at Nashville, Ark. They have the largest, finest trees, and I am told they use J. H. Hale and Stark Early on all their trees. My J. H. Hale peaches (from Stark 'Record-Bearing' Stock) have been bearing for 3 years—enough to pay all expenses in orchard to date and a good profit besides. J. W. Hill, Kanawha Co., W. Va.

**Faster Acer Profit**

Southern Farming quotes—"Four 1-year J. H. Hale trees we harvested 748 bushels—1,500 baskets and could have sold 1,000 more bushels. Lots of them weighed 15 ounces. When I took a trip through the Michigan fruit lands for 6 weeks, I found that the July Elberta is a better peach than Rochester. A beautiful, magnificent, cost sight. Flavor sweet, pleasurable. Good shipper. Receive easier to handle commercially than Rochester, could sell 1,000 July Elberta Trees."—Paul Van Arx, The Famous Peach Orchards.

J. H. Hale—Million Dollar Peach

Mid-Season, Yellow Freestone—Superior to Elberta

Originated by Mr. J. H. Hale, "The Peach King." In size, color, texture, flavor, keepability, keeping qualities J. H. Hale surpasses old Elberta. Mammoth in size, vivid carmine over golden yellow, almost perfectly round, fuzzless and smooth as a glove. Commands instant attention on all markets by Giant size and glorious color. Flesh solid and smooth as a clingstone peach the world has ever known. Prof. Chenoweth and I J. H. Hale is the handsomest thing in the peach world. The fruit looks somewhat like Stark Early Elberta—about the same large peaches ripening just at the time that really fine peaches are selling at their highest market prices. The crop is well distributed over the tree—Largest of Any Peach. The characteristics of which are so desirable in a peach for either eating fresh or for a market pear. Very hardy, also—bear more peaches even after 15 years below zero. N.C. N.S. U. S. Patent has been granted on this marvelous VERY EARLY, free-bearer—sometimes called the "July Elberta." Peach Trees can be obtained ONLY from Stark Bros', Louisiana, Mo.

JULY ELBERTA—Burbank's New U. S. PATENT Peach

**Golden Elberta Cling**

Genuine Golden Elberta Cling Is Obtainable ONLY from Stark Bro's World's Finest Peach

Grown and sold ONLY by Stark Bros'.

Mid-Season—Yellow Clingstone. The sweetest, finest, most delicious and most beautiful yellow fleshed clingstone peach the world has ever known. Prof. Chenoweth and I have found and introduced of this great variety covers the whole range of soils and climates but does best in wide range of soils and climates but does best in Zones 5 and 6. Hardy, also—grow to 20 degrees below zero; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous.

**Handsomer of All Peaches**

J. H. Hale is the handsomest thing in the peach line that I have ever seen. Prof. Chenoweth and I agree that it is a much handsomer peach than the Elberta. Better in quality and a much better market peach.—F. S. Sears, Prof. Pomology, Mass. Agri. College.

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J. H. Hale—Million Dollar Peach

Mid-Season, Yellow Freestone—Superior to Elberta

Originated by Mr. J. H. Hale, "The Peach King." In size, color, texture, flavor, keepability, keeping qualities J. H. Hale surpasses old Elberta. Mammoth in size, vivid carmine over golden yellow, almost perfectly round, fuzzless and smooth as a glove. Commands instant attention on all markets by Giant size and glorious color. Flesh solid and smooth as a clingstone peach the world has ever known. Prof. Chenoweth and I J. H. Hale is the handsomest thing in the peach world. The fruit looks somewhat like Stark Early Elberta—about the same large peaches ripening just at the time that really fine peaches are selling at their highest market prices. The crop is well distributed over the tree—Largest of Any Peach. The characteristics of which are so desirable in a peach for either eating fresh or for a market pear. Very hardy, also—bear more peaches even after 15 years below zero. N.C. N.S. U. S. Patent has been granted on this marvelous VERY EARLY, free-bearer—sometimes called the "July Elberta." Peach Trees can be obtained ONLY from Stark Bros', Louisiana, Mo.

JULY ELBERTA—Burbank's New U. S. PATENT Peach

**Golden Elberta Cling**

Genuine Golden Elberta Cling Is Obtainable ONLY from Stark Bro's World's Finest Peach

Grown and sold ONLY by Stark Bros'.

Mid-Season—Yellow Clingstone. The sweetest, finest, most delicious and most beautiful yellow fleshed clingstone peach the world has ever known. Prof. Chenoweth and I have found and introduced of this great variety covers the whole range of soils and climates but does best in wide range of soils and climates but does best in Zones 5 and 6. Hardy, also—grow to 20 degrees below zero; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous. A clingstone; shipping ability really marvelous.

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Early Peaches

Bring Big Profits

Early in the season—just when the earliest ripening peaches begin to color—people are fruit hungry. They will willingly pay higher prices for fruit than at any other time. Remember, peaches are worth the premium price.

Our record over the past 30 years shows that every year the earliest ripening peach commands higher prices than any other.

Starred varieties will be the first to color and should be in position to put on the market the freshest, finest peaches. These are the varieties that command the highest prices.
Late Elberta — Late Yellow Freestone. This splendid peach fills the gap between Hal-Berta and KrummeI October and should be in every orchard to give succession of ripening. Ripes when prices are high and canning peaches in big demand. Of Elberta type, about 2 1/2 days later than old Elberta but fruit is better quality, somewhat larger. Tree is strong grower, vigorous and long lived. Produces heavy crops of large-sized peaches. Fruit is high flavor, sweet, a bit of bitterness at pit. Ships perfectly, does not rot and gives good appearance on market. Growers report it one of the surest late profit makers. Late Elberta ripens at a season when regular Elberta are all gone and consequently brings top prices on the market. The grower who plants a succession of late season peaches such as Hal-Berta, Hardyberta, Late Elberta and KrummeI October will supply the late high-price market with quality favorites. Regular BearinG Strain from Stark test orchard.

Halate (New) — Late Yellow Freestone. A delicious new peach discovered in Stark Bro’s famous Test Orchards. Ideal for extending the Hal-Berta season. Fruit somewhat resembles Hal-Berta, but fruit is firmer, higher in quality, better flavor than Hal or Elberta. Comes on market when yellow peaches always bring top prices. Halate is one of the finest varieties for canning as well as being one of the best of eating out of hand. Genuine Stark RECORD-BEARING Strain trees. Highly recommended by growers.

Elberta — Large QUEEN strain — Mid-Season Yellow Freestone. Our select large RECORD BEARING Queen Strain is the best tree in a large Elberta Orchard—larger, rounder and often brings 30c to 75c more per bushel than other Elberta. Elberta is known all over America as the standard market peach. Large, round, beautiful, firm, thin, wall of juicy, buttery yellow, amygdalin and carmines—immensely large—stronger. Will always be in demand for eating, Cooking, Canning, Marketing. NCS. RECORD BEARING Strain—covered by Stark Bro’s.


KrummeI October — Late Yellow Freestone. The latest and one of the best of all late peaches. Fruit is glossy red and gold, hangs on last of all—until frost. KrummeI is ready for market at the time when it has no competition and always brings highest prices. Fruit is large, very firm, a bit of bitter. Tree is strong grower, vigorous and long lived. Produces heavy crops of large-sized peaches. Fruit is high flavor, sweet, a bit of bitterness at pit. Ships perfectly, does not rot and gives good appearance on market. Growers report it one of the surest late profit makers. KrummeI October ripens about 2 weeks later than old Elberta and 10 days later than late Elberta. Regular BearinG Strain is covered by Stark Bro’s. N. Wauterstein, St. Louis, Mo. says: "KrummeI has perhaps the best late yellow freestone. Thrives in all localities where peaches are grown. Tree hardly, dependable, crop very heavy. Late Elberta Orchard should be in every farm orchard."

Other Midsseason Peaches

APRICOTS

Wilson Delicious — New—Large. Hardly, Early. An extra large, se¬
sonable peach. The Stark Test Orchard. Wilson Delicious apricots has shown itself to be our best apricot. Much larger than any other we have raised. The fruit is magnifi¬
cently colored, of delicious quality. The Discretion of the Apricot is a mutation of this variety. Eats, Canning, Drying, NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro’s.

Stella Apricot — March 25. A hardy Russian apricot which ori¬
inated in Krausn and has been largely planted throughout the Central West. Flavor, color, quality, a very fine apricot. Sells at 30c to 40c per lb. to canners and market shippers. Eats, Canning, Market. Drying. NCS. Introduced by Stark Bro’s.
Burbank's New PEACH—CHERRY—PLUMCUT—NECTARINE Creations

Burbank's BLACK GIANT Cherry

No. 24

Honey, Sweet, Bloomed 100%, After 26º Below Zero. When written about this great cherry Luther Burbank stated: "Firm, deep blackish crimson skin. Sugar sweet and delicious. Grown size—4 cherries weigh an ounce." Mr. Burbank had a lifetime of experience with hundreds of different cherry varieties and considered Black Giant one of his very best. (See No. 24 in color plate above.)

Has proven an enormous bearer, yet fruit is uniformly large despite tremendous crops. Not subject to cracking. Flesh deep-orange-red, almost purple around small pit—very firm and meaty—a splendid shipper. Shipped successfully thousands of miles—across continents—improved hardier than any other sweets—bloom 100% after 26º below zero. Huge Size, Won¬derful, Early. Not a long distance shipper. With the biggest fruit on earth, it is a most fascinating study. The Black Giant provides almost an endless supply of fruit in all seasons. A variety that will be a great pride and joy to the home orchardist and roadside market. That established its HAR¬DENESS after the hardest, longest winter, marked by 14° below zero. Last year's tests showed that 1-year trees in our nursery, some only 3 feet tall, were loaded with fruit, after exceptionally hard, long winters, marked by 14º below zero.

Burbank's HONEY HEART Cherry

No. 19

Late June—U. S. Patented—Luther Burbank wrote: "Beautiful—like Napoleon, but infinitely better qualities." Skin is Red and Gold, but when ripe a deep rich, glowing red—immensely attractive. Crisp, juice-laden marvelously delicious flesh of transparent white. Ripens about 1 inch in diameter, declares Inspector G. Thomas. Very small pit, perfect freestone, flavor luscious and sprightly. Wonderful shipper—sent over 2000 miles suc¬cessfully. Young 1-yr. trees in our nursery, its striking appearance, superior fruit, hardiness, ship¬ping ability and great crop of gigantic cherries will make commercial growers plant it for high—pride and joy to the home orchardist and roadside market. Its striking appearance, supreme quality, remarkable shipping ability and great crop of gigantic cherries will make commercial growers plant it for high-

Burbank's FLAMING GOLD Nectarine

No. 23

The famous "Lost Nectarine" of Luther Burbank. The Wizard has here created a perfect blend of White Nectarine and a delicious yellow freestone peach. Burbank declared: "The very best of my Nectarines." Big as a Champion peach. Waxy, fuzz-free skin of flaming-wine-red, blushed over vivid golden. Rich golden orange flesh of Honey sweetness and Champagne sprightliness. Stone is perfectly free and small. Flesh firm. Solenoid shipper—does not crack. A luxury fruit for the home—one that assures great profits to commercial orchardists. Ripens about 1 week before Elberta peaches. Almost unbelievable young bearing ability: Young 1-yr. trees in our nursery, after the hardest, longest winter in 20 years (often 14 degrees below zero) came through loaded with blossoms and set a tremendous crop. Will bear immense crops in Eastern and Mid-Western sections. Very resistant to disease, rot, etc.

Burbank's GIANT Peach

No. 20

Tremendous in size—often 3½ inches and even larger than J. H. Hale peaches. These huge peaches, deliciously flavored, with thick golden flesh were borne on 1½ year tree only 2½ ft. high, in our nursery. That established its HAR¬DENESS after the hardest winters in 20 years—with thermometer touching 14º below zero here.

Fruit has absolutely no trace of red at seed. Seed is very small. A genuine TREAT to eat out of hand and glorious when served sliced with cream. A variety that will be a great pride and joy to the home orchardist and roadside market. Not a long distance shipper.

Ripens about with Elberta but far superior in quality. Albert Millipas, Gates Co., Ore., writes: "The Burbank Giant variety is an outstand¬ing peach, both fresh and as a canner."

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No. 22

First and ONLY INDIAN BLOOD NECTARINE. INE ever developed! Possesses rich color of Indian Blood Peach—skin smooth as a plum—flesh blood red beneath skin, merging into marbled red and white near pit, tender and almost wine-like in flavor. Not susceptible to rot or cracking. Very young bearer. Ripens about Sept. 20 in Missouri. This nectarine is entirely different from any other fruit you may have in your orchard and no orchard is complete without Nectarines. They add on road-side and local markets and are splendid for canning purposes. Eating, Cooking, Market. NCS. (See No. 22 on color photo above.)

Burbank's JULY GOLD Peach

No. 18

Early. July Gold is a clear yellow-orange peach, averaging 2½ in. in diameter, with rich clear golden flesh. Flavor slightly delightful, Ripens about July 25th in North Mo.—about 3 weeks ahead of regular Elberta. Very young, hearty bearer; hardy, vigorous grower. Wonderful early peach for home orchard. JULY GOLD is the most delicious peach ever tasted! I am delighted with it and it is an extremely early bearer.

Eating, Cooking, Canning, Local Market. NCS. 49
Montlate
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Montlate — Nearly 2 Weeks LATER than Montmorency.
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MONTLATE
Still Green

MONTMORENCY
Full Ripe

Montlorney still green, (Right) Montmorency full ripe—both picked same day. MONTLATE, in a wonderful new profit cherry. Longtime picking season, ripe when cherries are scarce. Picked highest prices nearly 2 weeks LATER than Montmorency. U.S. Patented, Sold ONLY by Stark Bro's.

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Two Great NEW U.S. Patent Cherries

They Extend Montmorency’s Profit Picking Season 6 Weeks

Montlate Cherry

Latest of ALL Montmorencies

Some years ago, two entirely NEW Varieties of cherries came to us from the celebrated Cherry Specialist, PROF. L. R. TAFT, former State Horticulturist of MICHIGAN, known throughout the world as a real Authority on cherries, and for years Treasurer of the American Pomological Society.

One of these cherries ripens 10 days to 2 weeks LATER than Montmorency and is even LARGER THAN MONTMORENCY. The other ripens long before ordinary Montmorency—even earlier than Early Richmond and is ONE-THIRD LARGER AND BETTER THAN EARLY RICHMOND. Both were pronounced on investigation to be hardy sports or hybrids of Montmorency, fortunately discovered by Prof. Taft. We quickly purchased all propagation rights for all time to the two original trees bearing these remarkable cherries—named MONTLATE and MONTEARLY—and they were AWARDED U.S. PATENTS BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. Both are exclusive and CAN BE OBTAINED ONLY FROM STARK BRO’S.

Montearly Cherry

Earlier, Larger Than Richmond

2 Weeks Before Montmorency

The Originator of Montearly, Prof. Taft, describes this remarkable cherry as follows: “This cherry is fully as early as Early Richmond (our own experiments state that it ripens A FEW DAYS EARLIER). Fruit is larger than Montmorency and has a long stem. Color is a deep, rich wine color, with deep red colored juice something like Montmorency. Flavor less tart than English Morello. Flavor less tart than Montmorency. Leaves less and has a long stem. A FEW years after Montmorency, it is a darker red for comparison. It ripens 2 weeks later than Montmorency, reports John Porter of East Jordan (Mich.) Canning Co., large canners of fance cherries. The Montlate extends the Mont. season for gathering the crop, as well as that for operating the canning factory. This is greatly to our advantage, both as cherry growers and as canning factory operators. We have planted several acres of this variety (MONTLATE) in our own orchards and plant the early variety (MONTEARLY) also.”

Montlate Cherry

2 Weeks After Montmorency

Bears Heavier Than English Morello

“Montlate is a late-ripening sport of Montmorency,” states Prof. Taft, former MICHIGAN State Horticulturist. “I consider Montlate to be a definite fixed sport of Montmorency. Fully equal to Montmorency in young and heavy bearing. The fruit sells for the same high prices as English Morello and the trees are certainly MORE PRODUCTIVE—and the cherries are even larger than Montmorency, due to the prolonged season of ripening. The entire crop ripens uniformly on the tree, which is very vigorous and does not show any tendency to injury from leaf spot. This variety has also withstood winter temperatures of 28 degrees below zero without apparent injury.”

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Top Market Prices

One of our experts who investigated Montearly before we purchased it, reported, “Montearly is going to put Early Richmond out of business!” It is earlier and bigger and BETTER. Far superior for pies, preserves and canning. Because of its meaty flesh, and the fact that it is not so watery as Early Richmond and Montmorency, it is a Superior Pie Cherry. Its EXTREME EARLINESS brings it on the market just when truly fine cherries command HIGHEST MARKET PRICES!

Montlate Cherry

“A Great Boon to Growers”

—Says Prof. Hedrick, N. Y.

Prof. U. P. Hedrick, noted author of “CHERRIES OF NEW YORK” and State Horticulturist of NEW YORK, reports: “I and all my associates here believe these two cherries (Montearly and Montlate) to be entirely distinct—and VERY MERITORIOUS in that they extend the canning season for your cherries, both before and after the Montmorency season. Canners tell me that these early and late Montmorencies WILL BE A GREAT BOON TO THE GROWERS AND CANNERS!”

Prof. G. H. Howe, of N. Y. Exp. Station, NEW YORK, recently wrote: “The Montlate trees you sent us two years ago, fruited this year, having made a splendid growth since planting. The fruit ripened 2 weeks later than Montmorency but otherwise is no different from Montmorency. The trees are of the same habit of growth as Montmorency—the fruit is of the same fine color.
"Stark Gold hardy as English Morello—stood 22 below zero; big, unblemished, beautiful fruit; bore when 2 years old."—R. L. Sanderson, West Austintown, Ohio.

"Stark Gold brought 50 cents a gallon; beautiful, splendid flavor. Wonderfully hardy; bore regularly—bore when 2 years old. None have diseases or insect troubles."—E. Rahrbaugh, Clearville, Pa.

"Very hardy; bore second year. Big, Golden color, flavor finer, trees healthy."—Vester Mathis, Karnak, Ill.

2-Year Old
STARK GOLD
Cherry
Bearing Good Crop
Glorious Stark Gold

CHERRIES

Our Exclusive Contract

"In consideration of $ 5.00 to C. J. Thomas hereby agrees to furnish said Stark Gold Cherry Tree and give said Stark Bro's. See Inside Front Cover.

Grown on an OLD OAK PROCESS Whole Root Tree

Montmorency Stark

Mid-Season. The best strain of Montmorency. From a select tree on our grounds which uniformly bore very large fruit—larger than any other Montmorency. Tree stronger grower than Montmorency King (Ordinaire). Our favorite for over 20 years. Fruit large, flesh firm, ships perfectly; tree strong grower, sure and young bearer, largest of all the sour cherries, very hardy; produces tremendous money making crops—succeeds throughout the U. S.

This great cherry should be grown on every farm and on every town lot when driving along highways. Permanently a space 10 feet square. Many fruit growers plant cherry trees along the highways of their farms, and today there is scarcely a cherry grower producing enough profit to pay the taxes on the farm, and more besides. It is the perfect variety for pies, preserves, canned cherries, and for many other purposes. Excellent shippers, always bring good prices.

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Pecan Nuts

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Sawhick—Grafted paper shell, outstanding variety east of Mississippi River. Tree vigorous grower produces large quality out, medium to obtain thin shell, kernel rich in oil. Tree forms symmetrical with foliage. Originated in Jackson Co., Miss.

Walnuts

Hardy Black. One of finest native trees. Ideal for lawn. Growth large, rapid, sometimes 100 ft. high, 9 ft. diameter. Symmetrical large rounded crown, drooping lower branches. Bears early. Large nuts easily cracked—delicately sweet kernel. High percentage on variety of soils.


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Burbank’s Giant

Royal Walnut

Rapid Growing Tree

As a Nut tree the Royal Walnut is a constant, heavy producer—and the nuts are much larger than Black Walnuts. Luther Burbank, Originator, states: “The quality also is much superior to that of either parent; the meat, which is very large, and porous more readily from the shell, but none of the disagreeable strong taste of the common American Black. Also sweeter than California Black.”

A wonderful timber producer. Atural trees indicate Burbank Royal Walnut trees easily reach merchantable size in half the time of ordinary Black Walnuts. The increasing demand and many uses for Walnut which no other tree can fill, combined with scarcity of supply, assure a high field market—not only for Walnut Meals, but for timber and for bulbs for dye making. Beautiful shade tree.

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**Napoleon—Stark Strain**

LATE. Larger yellow, pink-blushed cherry, grown in all Sweet Cherry sections. Stark Hardy, One of best tasting of all sweet cherries. The Stark Hardy Strain in our Orchards. Introduced and Sold ONLY by Stark Bros., NCS.

**Montmorency King**
The Montmorency King is vigorous, bear young. A true Montmorency, but sweeter than any other strain. Originated on our grounds where we watched it for many years before introducing. Cooking, Canning, Eating, Market, NCS. Introduced and Sold ONLY by Stark Bro's., NCS.

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Early. Ripe, Early. Better than Early Richmond. Stark Improved Lambert—Hardy Strain The Largest Black Sweet Cherry, Stark Improved Lambert—Hardy Strain The Largest Black Sweet Cherry,

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2. LOGAN. Raspberry. Sold only by Stark. A superior raspberry.alaysia tree attains enormous size—the original tree is "big as an oak." This is a famous variety from the grounds of E. H. Riehl, Ill. Exp'y. Station. Introduced by Stark Bros.


STARK'S BEST & NEWEST RASPBERRIES


6. CUMBERLAND (Black). Has ranked as standard black cap raspberry for longest period, best known of all blacks. Our best seller. Fruit is very large, firm, and of high quality. Plant is extremely hardy, vigorous and is EXTRA-ORDINARILY PRODUCTIVE. Ripens in middle season. An excellent shipper. One of most reliable and satisfactory sorts for home planting and dependably profitable for commercial growers.


8. BLACK PEARL. Early season black cap, favored by many growers. Large berry, good quality. Good cropper. We prefer and recommend Cumberland and Logan.

STARK'S SELECT BLACKBERRIES

9. MERRSEARL—Mid-season. Handsome glossy black. Our best seller and a standard wherever blackberries are grown. Has the good points of the old Snyder but is larger, of better quality. One of best blackberries. Not as upright growing as some, having a tendency to fall over. Greatly attractive flavor, rather than most, delicious, firm. Extra size, fine flavor, healthy bearing. E. S. Wolfe, Oregon.


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EARLY GIANT
(STark U.S. Patent)

STARK ECLIPSE

LUCILE

LUTIE

NIAGARA

HICKS

DIAMOND
Stark EARLY GIANT—New U. S. PATENT

“OFTEN 1/4 INCHES IN DIAMETER—10 days earlier than Campbell Early” says Originator, under Oath to U. S. Govt. (See Color Illustration Opposite Page)

Sensational—New!

U. S. Patent. This is the Largest Known Grape of all hardy varieties. Originated in the Campbell Early vineyard of Herman Weidler, Altus Co., Ark. Both berry and bunch are practically double the size of Early and Quality is fully equal to it.

A loaded vine of Stark Early Giant is a glorious sight! It produces more berry per square foot than any other grape and is the most productive of all the grapes. From every standpoint Stark Delicious is the red grape supreme. It is delightfully sweet and rich, comparing favorably with Delaware in this respect, and has every good quality that a grape should have both in the vineyard, orchard and market.

Stark Delicious—Best Very Early Black Grape

(Trade-Mark) Best red grape ever discovered. Until we introduced Stark Delicious, there was no red grape of superior quality that had both the production and the market value of a black grape. Stark Delicious has become so popular that we have never been able to grow enough to supply the demand. Its color is so attractive, the bunch so large and handsome, that top prices are brought on all markets. From every standpoint Stark Delicious is the red grape supreme. It is delightfully sweet and rich, comparing favorably with Delaware in this respect, and has every good quality that a grape should have both in the vineyard, orchard and market.

Stark Eclipse—Best Very Early Black Grape

This is the earliest of our black grapes, coming in at least a week ahead of Moore Early Giant. It is of very fine quality—rich sweet fruit that does not crack in wet weather or shatter from the bunch, which is handsome, compact and a tenacious hanger. Best of all for grape juice. Vine is a hardy vigorous grower. Originated with E. A. Starks and Campbell Bro’s.

Diamond—Very Early Red grape, medium to large berry. Bright red with tight buds. Ripens about 10 days earlier than Concord which gives it decided market advantage. Berries large, round, hang well. Flesh solid but juicy and tender. Juice, Market. NCS.

Lute—Mid-Season Red. A rich Red grape good for making wine. Good for table purposes is unequalled. For beauty it has no superiors among red grapes. Stark Bro’s. Selling July, Juicy, Market. NCS.

Tristan—Black Early. A dark red grape, medium to large berry good for making wine. Very hardy, vigorous grower. Very good juice. Stark Bro’s. Selling July, Juicy, Market. NCS.

Stark Delicious—Red grape extremely popular for grape juice. Stark Bro’s. Selling July, Juicy, Market. NCS.


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**THE BEST RAPID GROWING HARDY TREES FOR QUICK SHADE AND IMMEDIATE EFFECT**

**Super-Quality**

**STARK SHADE TREES**

Grow Fastest and Live Longest

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**CHINESE ELM** (*Ulmus Pumila*). Fine new Quick Growing Tree of large size from Asia. Ours is the Large Hardy Northern Type. Especially good for dry soils. Has attained instant popularity everywhere. Graceful refined foliage.

**BECHTEL CRAB** (*Malus ioensis plena*). Dwarf tree 12 feet high literally covered in May with fragrant rose-pink Double-flowers. Attractive in groups or specimens.

**SILVER MAPLE** (*Acer dasycarpum*). Rapid-growing. Large, spreading tree. Long lived if not pruned, hardy. Thrives in all soils.

**LOMBARDY POPLAR** (*Populus nigra italica*). Picturesque Italian tree. Used in garden plantings, to screen unsightly views or buildings, or to give accent.

**WESTERN CATALPA** (*Catalpa speciosa*). Rapid grower. Stands heat and drouth. Attractive white flowers shown above.

**WISCONSIN WEEPING WILLOW** (*Salix glande*). A huge tree. Long slender graceful drooping branches. Rapid grower in either moist or dry ground. Hardy.

**CUTLEAF WEEPING BIRCH** (*Betula alba pendula*). Attractive, silvery white bark, graceful drooping branches. Finely cut foliage. Effective in lawn groups.

FLOWERS OF PARKMAN CRAB (Malus halliana parkmani). A very beautiful dwarf Japanese tree. A distinguished ornamental and an inspiring sight in May when it is literally covered with small, fragrant semi-double rose pink flowers. It grows 8 to 12 feet high, and is prized both for specimen planting, or in tall shrub borders.

ROSE ACACIA (Robinia hispida), Dwarf Tree. Familiarly known as Moss Locust. Nothing is more cheerful among the flowers of early June than the showy bright rose colored Rose-Acacia. The flowers which crowd the branches in large and colorful clusters, are of the graceful shape of sweet pea blossoms. Very attractive in border or in specimen plantings. It grows to a height of about 8 feet.

Flowers of Rose-acacia (Moss Locust)
1. **TRUMPET HONEYSUCKLE**
   Vine with clusters of scarlet trumpet-shaped flowers spring and fall. Bright red berries.

2. **ENGELMAN IVY**
   Turns scarlet in fall. Best all-purpose ivy. Clings to walls, hardy, quick grower.

3. **CHINESE WISTERIA**
   (Wisteria sinensis). Great variety. Long clusters, often a foot in length, of fragrant lavender, sweet-pea-shaped flowers in early June.

4. **BOSTON IVY**
   (Ampelopsis pedata). Hardy climber. Clings firmly to walls, posts, etc. Handsome leaves. Brilliant Fall colors.

5. **HALL’S HONEYSUCKLE**
   (Lonicera japonica halliana). Very fragrant creamy and yellow flowers all summer. Ideal for porch vines, hedge or wire fence.

6. **SWEET AUTUMN CLEMATIS**
   (Clematis paniculata grandiflora). Masses of white, very fragrant blooms in autumn. Attractive feathery seed-pods on vine all winter.

7. **JACKMAN CLEMATIS**

8. **WHITE HENRY CLEMATIS**
   (Clematis henryi). Large, waxy, pure white flowers. Make an attractive trellis vine. Good foliage.
HEDGES

JAPANESE BARBERRY HEDGE

Berberis thunbergii. See illustration at left. A thorny all-purpose, compact bushy dwarf shrub that is attractive when allowed to grow naturally to a usual height of about three feet or when trimmed to a desired height. Very popular for hedges, shrub borders, foundation plantings or entrances. Except where thorns are needed to keep out dogs and intruders, Stark's NEW THORNLESS is far more desirable. The small light green leaves turn to brilliant orange and scarlet in the Autumn and the bright red berries hang on the bush all winter, giving a cheerful holiday touch to the scene. Rust and disease immune. In growth, Jap. Barberry is just the same as the Thornless. See Red Berries to left.

NEW U. S. PATENT
THORNLESS JAPANESE BARBERRY
Sold ONLY By Stark Bro's
Stark Bro's New U. S. Patent Thornless Barberry is much preferred by those who desire the latest and best in hedge, shrub borders, foundation plantings and entrance adornments. It is a thorny, dense but perfert of the ordinary thorny Jap. Barberry described above and has all its hardiness, adaptability and beauty. Height is about 2½ feet, but its compact growth, if we preference of light green foliage permits its trimming to any form, square cut orrounded. The Thornless also takes on the brilliant characteristic colorations of orange and scarlet in the Fall. Its red berries cling to the bush through the winter, completing its year round beauty. Occasionally a few undeveloped, pliable, green suckers, but they soon drop off. Immune to rust and disease.

New U. S. Patent Thornless Barberry Makes Ideal Formal Pruned Hedge (Like Above)

AMUR PRIVET
(North)

Hedge and Flowers
(at right)

Ligustrum amurense—north.

Hardy to northern type. Gallows as for privet. Can be trimmed any desired shape. Used as panel or informal hedge. Immune to rust and disease.
HYDRANGEA PEEGEE
(Hydrangea paniculata grandiflora). Stark's Large Flowering type produces enormous cone shaped blooms, often a foot long, during July and August. At first white, then changing to bright pink in late summer. Beautiful in foundation planting or as a single specimen for a lawn. Perfectly hardy. Very conspicuous and showy, medium to tall growing. Useful as bush shrub or can be trained to tree form. It is one of Stark's most popular shrubs. Succeeds everywhere and requires little attention. The flower heads may be dried and are often used for winter bouquets. We grow only the true Stark large-flowered type.

SNOWHILL HYDRANGEA
(Hydrangea arborescens grandiflora). Called the Ever-blooming Hydrangeas, as it is in bloom from June until frost. A favorite of the many visitors to Stark Park. Large round heads of pure white flowers, often 10 inches in diameter, resemble a huge Snowball. Medium height grower. Especially valuable shrub for planting in front of taller shrubs or around foundations. Succeeds even in partial shade as well as sun.

SHRUB ALTHEA
(Rose of Sharon) (Hibiscus syriacus). Many colors. Beautiful large Double Flowers of bright rose-pink (illustrated), also Purple and Red. The white, Crimson-Eye, is single-flowered. Blooms August to frost. Often grows to small tree.

FORSYTHIAS
(Golden Bell) (Left)
BORDER FORSYTHIA (intermedia). Masses of bright yellow flowers in earliest spring before leaves appear. Fine for borders, groups, entrances, foundations.

WEEEPING FORSYTHIA
(Forsythia suspensa). Tall, long weeping branches, "Golden Festoons" of early bright yellow flowers. Foundation, border, entrance, covering banks or walls.
SPIREAS—PEONIES—WEIGELAS


SPIREA ANTHONY WATERER (Above) Blooms from July until frost. A hardy dwarf shrub. Bright rosy crimson flowers in clusters often 4 inches across. Favorite for foundation planting, entrances, for edging taller plantings, and as a low blooming hedge.

PEONIES

Easy to grow, increase in beauty each year. Big roots of Stark-grown Peonies are full of vitality.

FELIX CROUSSE


OFFICINALIS RUBRA (Above) Fine, large, nearly, very double, dark red blooms. First to bloom in Stark Park.

EDULIS SUPERBA Best pink. Often called "Decoration Day Peony." Excellent for cutting. Immeasurable flowers of Peony Blossom pink.

FESTIVA MAXIMA Best large white peony. Flecks of red in center.

SPIREA BILIARD—See illustrations, description Page 65.

PINK WEIGELA Most popular Weigela in Stark test grounds. Grows everywhere. 5 to 6 ft. Bush covered with rosy pink flowers several weeks in May and June.

WHITE WEIGELA Graceful, medium-height, similar to Pink Weigela. Large, white, tubular blossoms in profusion. (Left)

RED WEIGELA—EVA RATHKE (Right) Semi-sharp. Dark rich red flowers in late spring and usually through summer. Our tests prove this best red Weigela. Plant alone or in front of tall shrubs or in foundation planting.

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Stark's Finest
FRENCH BUDDED LILACS and Deutzia Shrubs


PRESIDENT GREVY LILAC (French) Enormous heads of nearly true blue double flowers. Our propagation direct from a plant selected in France by C. M. Stark, who declared this the finest Lilac.

MME. ABEL CHATENAY LILAC (French) The finest double white lilac ever developed. Creamy white with large very fragrant flowers of most attractive loveliness.


LEMOINE DEUTZIA (Deutzia lemoinei) Dwarf white.

BELLE DE NANCY LILAC (French) Handsome clusters of large double pink satiny rose-hued flowers, lighter toward center.

DOUBLE KERRIA (Kerria japonica flore plena) Large, double, globe-shaped flowers. Beautiful bright yellow in June and throughout the summer. Splendid medium-dwarf shrub, bright green branches attractive in winter.

PRIDE OF ROCHESTER DEUTZIA Medium height. Lovely double flowers slightly tinged pink on outside. Border or specimen plant.

DEUTZIA ROSEA (Rose panicle deutzia) Flowers attractive rose color. Only true pink Deutzia. Profuse bloomer in Spring. Shown in circle above.

DEUTZIA GRACILIS (Slender deutzia) White flowers in upper part of circle.

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STARK QUALITY
Shrubs Will Add Beauty And Value to YOUR HOME

YUCCA
(Yucca filamentosa). Sometimes called "Adam's Needle," due to its pointed, sword-shaped, evergreen leaves. Tall, stately stalks thickly covered with creamy white flowers. Very attractive for garden, lawn, or in front of bays of shrubs.

SPIREA, BILLIARD (Spirea bittiardi). During July and August it is a mass of bright pink blossoms which are fine for cutting. A magnificent specimen shrub, growing to a height of 5 or 6 feet. Well adapted for shrubbery beds and borders because of its narrow, upright dense growth. One of the most beautiful Spireas and one of the best of all shrubs which flourish even in dry places. Our propagation is the true Stark Plumy type which blooms a second time in the fall.

BUTTERFLY BUSH, DARK PURPLE (Buddleia davidii). A delightful companion shrub for Orange-eye Butterfly Bush, as it is similar except the flowers are a dark purple instead of lavender.

BUTTERFLY BUSH ORANGE EYE (Buddleia davidii). Also known as Summer Lilac as it produces a profusion of long slender arching spikes of beautiful lilac-like lavender flowers from July until frost. The delightful fragrance of the flowers attracts myriads of gorgeously colored butterflies. A valuable shrub for planting singly, in borders or in shrub beds. It should be cut back near the ground in the Fall for quickest growth in the early Spring.

FLOWERING ALMOND (Prunus glandulosa). One of the first and most cheerful color notes of Spring. This dwarf shrub is literally covered with double, pink rose-like flowers in May. With its delicate pink buds its branches have a pink veil of bloom which excites the admiration of all flower lovers.

Dorothy Perkins Climbing Rose On House to left (Described on Page 67)

(Below) Blooms of Flowering Almond make a wonderful display in any planting.

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SHRUB ROSES—MOCKORANGES


WHITE RUGOSA (Rosa alba). Large white single flowers. Orange Colored Berries. Fragrant, hardy like Red Rugosa.


MOCKORANGE SWEET (Phil, coronarius). Beautiful, tall shrub. Large sweet-scented white blossoms May and June. The true fragrant variety. Very hardy.

MOCKORANGE LEMOINE (Phil, lemoinei). Dwarf form of old-fashioned shrub called Syringa. Grows 4 to 5 ft. and in June is covered with fragrant creamy white blossoms.

New BABY RAMBLER Roses—Continuous bloomers. Hardy, dwarf types 1 to 2 feet high. Excellent for bedding, edging or rose hedges. Flowers in clusters similar to Climbing Ramblers. We offer RED, PINK, ORANGE, SALMON Baby Ramblers.
GARDENIA — Dependable improved yellow climber for all sections. Hardy, vigorous. Small tea-rose shaped buds, deep yellow changing to cream color. Unusually fragrant.


GOLDEN CLIMBER
U.S. Patent—New
Fine hardy Yellow Climber. Large fragrant golden flowers produced singly on long stems. Early. Vigorous. Dark green, glossy foliage. (Not illustrated.)

PRINCESS VAN ORANGE
U.S. Patent—New


EXCELSA (Red Dorothy Perkins) Most dependable red Rambler. Replaces old Crimson Rambler. Large bright crimson clusters hold color for weeks. Hardy. Vigorous.

PAUL'S SCARLET CLIMBER Brilliant scarlet, early-blooming Rose. Does not fade out. Large flowers in clusters on long stems. Vigorous, hardly, strikingly effective.

DOROTHY PERKINS Best Pink Rambler. Bright, rosy pink clusters make bower of beauty in late Spring. Vigorous, grown everywhere.

CLIMBING AMERICAN BEAUTY (On Mr. Stark's house) Early. Very Large Flowers, often 3 inches. Lovely American Beauty color, fragrant.
VIKTORIA
Most perfect white ever-bloomer. Exquisite long pointed buds, fragrant, long lasting. Snowy white with creamy center, very double. Profuse, Hardy.

VICTORIA
Kaiserin Augusta Viktoria

SUNBURST
Most perfect white ever-bloomer. Exquisite long pointed buds, fragrant, long lasting. Snowy white with creamy center, very double. Profuse, Hardy.

Sunburst
Yellow

Burbank's Scarlet Flame

MRS. P. S. DUPONT
Big prize winner. Profuse. Healthiest.

STARK'S NEWER MOST POPULAR
EVERBLOOMING FRAGRANT BUSH ROSES

SCARLET FLAME
Burbank's New Master Creation from years of patient effort. Flashing, fiery brilliance. A wealth of vivacious, lively color for any garden. Most profuse, constant bloomer under all conditions.

EDITH N. PERKINS

TALISMAN

ETOILE DE HOLLANDE
Best. Finest red. Large, very fragrant.

GOLDEN DAWN

MME. E. HERRIOTT

MARGARET MCGREDDY
Best, hardiest, scarlet. Prolific.

GOLDEN SUN

PETTY UPRICHARD
Has exquisite coppery sheen. Profuse.

SOUV. DE CLAUDIUS PERNET
Popular. Large. Pointed Bud.

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TALISMAN Unique color blending. Lasting. Free bloomer.

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THE GREAT FAMILY of RADIANCE ROSES

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RADIANCE

RED RADIANCE

Fine New U.S. PATENT EVERBLOOMING BUSH ROSES AND POPULAR NEW CLIMBERS ARE SHOWN BELOW


TEXAS CENTENNIAL Patent No. 162 Most striking new red.


MATADOR Patent pending. Large, flashing, velvety sheen.


MARY WALLACE Climber. Unexcelled, large, clear-pink.


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THREE MARVELOUS NEW BURBANK ROSE CREATIONS


New ROSE-FLOWERING Peaches
Burbank Creations—U. S. PATENT Pending

Burbank's New Wonder-Gift to the beauty lovers of the world—trees which produce a profusion of bright, gloriously beautiful, double rose-like blossoms early in the Spring, followed by edible peaches. In the Shrub Border or as Ornamental Lawn Trees they will be prized for their rare beauty, and will excite the admiration of all.

SANTA ROSA (Double-Red). Produces such an entrancing profusion of large, brilliant, flaming red, double blossoms that it has the appearance of a SOLID MASS OF FLAMING RED! Rich green foliage and produces edible peaches.

ORCHID (Double-Pink). Exquisite, Large, Bright Orchid-Pink Double Blossoms cover its branches in early Spring before the leaves appear. A Marvel of Beauty. Also bears good peaches.

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EVERYWHERE—in city, village and country—there appears a new interest in planting. Home owners are awakening to the beauty possibilities of their home grounds, to the joy of planting and creating beautiful outdoor living rooms in place of the old-fashioned "back yard." This garden room is planned as you would a room indoors. Let grass provide a soft, velvety carpet of green—plant trees, shrubs and evergreens to give privacy and screen unsightly views—and you have a modern outdoor living room.

Adds to the Joy of Living

Here, in privacy, you may enjoy yourself to your heart's content among the flowers and shrubbery. Here you may picnic or entertain guests in beautiful surroundings. Here the children may play in safety, free from the dangers of the street. The renewed interest in life created by flowering shrubs and beautiful surroundings will add years to one's life.

Increases Property Value

 Beautifying your home grounds is an investment which pays immediate dividends. The moment you set an ornamental or fruit tree, a shrub, plant or vine, your property becomes more valuable and desirable. Real estate dealers have estimated that the addition of a few trees and shrubs in a new subdivision often increases the property value 20%. Most things depreciate from the minute of purchase. Planting is one of the few investments that does not depreciate but ever brings increased returns in actual value and satisfaction.
The Outdoor Living Room
—the "Fashion" in Town and Country

A Haven of Beauty, Interest and Enjoyment

Essential To The Modern Home

The Outdoor Living Room is a necessity to American homes. Unsightly backyards have given place to the new fashion that has swept the country. To be up-to-date the modern home owner must have an Outdoor Living Room. It is the biggest paying investment he can make and it costs so little. Any backyard can be converted from a dingy, cluttered, unsightly place into a haven of beauty, rest and recreation — beautiful in every month. You can have the same miraculous transformation on your own backyard.

The great thrill of having and working with these beautiful shrubs and flowers will repay you in added health, pleasure and happiness many times the small cost, to say nothing of the greater increase in value and saleability of your property.

You can make your home the show place of your community. Hundreds of people see the grounds and outdoor views of your home to every one who sees the inside. A beautifully planted place reflects progressiveness, pride and success, whereas the bare, unattractive home grounds suggest carelessness. Make up your mind to have an Outdoor Living Room this spring.

A Farm House is Not a Home Unless it’s Planted

Mother and children are happier, prouder and more satisfied to "stay on the farm" if it is beautifully planted. Father, too, takes great pride in having an attractive lawn and a beautiful Outdoor Living Room. The plan at right is specially designed for the modern farm home but any of the plans on this page can easily be adapted to the farm grounds.

It is astounding to most owners of farm homes to learn of the very small cost of a beautiful and graceful planting. Even the smallest or plainest house will be made cozy and attractive — the object of envy of the neighborhood. Unsightly buildings or undesirable views can be screened from view quickly and economically by quick growing flowering shrubs, trees and vines. The farm Outdoor Living Room is the ideal place for rest and relaxation for the whole family — and a perfect place for picnics and entertainment of visitors. Don’t delay, start this year.

A Cozy Corner for Children

An ideal place for children’s play, bringing them health and happiness — safe from hazards of the street.

Photographs above show two parts of this beautiful Outdoor Living Room — a place to enjoy relaxation, comfort and welcome shade after the strenuous, busy days of the housewife and business man. Most families have picnics and entertain here.

Make Your Home Complete

You'll find it an easy, delightful task to plan and plant an outdoor living room with the assistance of this catalog and Stark Bros Nursery and make your home complete.

These few examples on this page will show you how inexpensively you can beautify your home grounds the Stark way. Not for many years have we been able to offer ornamental plants at such low prices. Remember always that our prices, reasonable as they are, are based on the Best Quality Plants. All Stark Shrubs and Trees are hardy, vigorous, clean and well-rooted. A Stark planting becomes more beautiful, enjoyable and valuable each year.

To make your grounds appropriately beautiful is a work of love. It is thought and labor of which you can be justly proud. Everyone who sees you making these improvements will admire you for it. All who view the results of surrounding your home with attractive flowering shrubs, graceful shade trees, trim hedges, and blooming beds of roses, will envy your ownership in that home.

Free Landscaping Plans for Stark Customers

If your home grounds are large or if you have peculiar and complicated home grounds beautiful problems to solve, you should write to Stark Bros, Landscape Plan Department. This Department will give you the best expert advice and, on your instruction, will draw an individually designed landscape plan for your home grounds. This Plan Will Be Furnished to You at No Charge. All you will need is a description from us the Nursery Stock necessary to beautify your home grounds. This Department is composed of Graduate Landscape Architects — men with the technical and practical training necessary to make landscape planting plans for any size estate, park, public building, school, church, industrial building, golf course, or private home grounds.

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With plenty of space available around the country farm home, a wider scope and variety is easily accomplished. The Outdoor Living Room utilizes the home orchard as a background andCallahan's arboretum for grapes and borders of flowering shrubs, with roses and flowers in front.
A Nation-Wide Organization to Provide Free Landscape Plans for Stark Customers

It is a known fact that in order to properly build a house it is necessary to have plans to follow. It is just as important when planting shrubs, shade trees, and other ornamentals on your grounds to have a definite plan and intelligent suggestions. There is a right and a wrong way of laying out walks, drives, locating and planting trees and shrubs. Unless someone who has made a careful study of this work is consulted, the results obtained from planting a yard will usually be more or less disappointing. A small yard requires just as intelligent planting as a large place.

A large number of Stark salesmen and service men throughout the United States have taken special work and study in ornamentals and have been equipped with authoritative information. These Ornamental Planting Advisors will gladly give you the benefit of their advice and suggestions, together with data from their valuable reference books and equipment.

If you want merely a small foundation planting or a few groups of shrubs, etc., for the corners of the lawn or at the entrances, a Stark Ornamental Advisor—there is one in your neighborhood—will be glad to advise and make suggestions for your planting. No planting plan is necessary for plantings of this kind.

Stark Bro’s maintain their Landscape Service Department for the benefit of their customers. This Department is made up of a number of graduate landscape architects of many years’ experience. They will be glad to advise you in regard to your planting problems. They also design plans for home grounds, private country estates, parks, cemeteries, schools, subdivisions, and other public and private properties.

The Stark method of free landscape service and plans is a wonderful help, particularly to the average home-owner who has felt that he could not afford to pay the fees of a professional landscape architect and, as a result, has left his property unimproved. Now, through Stark Bro’s service, it is possible for him to really secure the advice and plans of an expert landscape architect. If the owner cannot make the entire planting in one season it may be extended over three or four seasons, making some additions each season until the entire plan is followed out. In that way he will be sure the planting will be correctly done and yet have the cost distributed over a number of years. No one can plant trees and shrubs promiscuously and then expect their yard to be successfully landscaped.

How to Secure Free Landscape Plans

To Stark customers, these individually designed landscape plans are free. They are drawn from measurements, photographs, etc., mailed to us. Plans for most places can be handled satisfactorily by mail in this way and thus save our customers much expense.

We require only a small deposit to cover actual cost of preparing your detailed planting-plan. This deposit is made at the time the plan is drawn and then is refunded to the customer when the order for stock is sent in. Or, in other words, it is applied as cash on the order. The amount asked for as a deposit is 10 per cent of the estimated cost of the nursery stock for your planting. Of course, this amount is held within a limit set by you. As an example, if you wish to spend $50 for your planting, Stark Bro’s ask you $5 (10 per cent) as a deposit for the plan. Then, when your order for stock is sent in to the amount of $50, this $5 deposit will be applied on the order. Thus, our customers get their landscape plan free.

In case of very large places it is sometimes necessary for one of our architects to personally go over the grounds and secure further detailed information in regard to Stark Landscape Plan preparing your detailed planting-plan. This deposit is made at the time the plan is drawn and then is refunded to the customer when the order for stock is sent in. Or, in other words, it is applied as cash on the order. The amount asked for as a deposit is 10 per cent of the estimated cost of the nursery stock for your planting. Of course, this amount is held within a limit set by you. As an example, if you wish to spend $50 for your planting, Stark Bro’s ask you $5 (10 per cent) as a deposit for the plan. Then, when your order for stock is sent in to the amount of $50, this $5 deposit will be applied on the order. Thus, our customers get their landscape plan free.

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The executives of large industries realize the effect of beautiful surroundings on the morale of their employees. In two years time cinder- and gravel-covered grounds of the factory pictured below were transformed into an attractive little park.

Our space permits us to show only a few photographs of the thousands of large and moderate-size plantings for which Stark Bro's furnish stock each season. Our corps of expert landscape architects furnish plans, and Stark Bro's quality stock is used in cemeteries, parks, school plantings, subdivisions, and other public and private grounds from coast to coast.

Stark Plans and Stark Quality Stock are the ideal combination for quick and permanent results.

See page 74 for details of Stark Bro's Landscape Plan Service.

Compare the "before" picture of this Kewanee (Il.) church with photograph taken two years after this Stark planting was made. It is now considered one of the most beautiful churches in northern Illinois.

The beautiful Pike County (Mo.) Courthouse grounds, located near Stark Bro's Nurseries, were planned by Stark experts. This building, though beautiful, never showed its real architectural beauty until surrounded with Stark flowering shrubs and trees.

Stark Bro's landscape architects, each year, plan the grounds for many country clubs and country estates. These beautiful grounds, near Massillon, Ohio, are entirely planted with Stark shade trees and ornamentals.
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ALL THESE ARE STARK PLANTINGS—QUICKLY TRANSFORMING THESE MERE HOUSES INTO BEAUTIFUL HOMES

© by Stark Bro's Nurseries, Louisiana, Mo.—World's Largest Ornamental Nurseries
Above is a central western farmhouse transformed into a beautiful place with Stark ornaments. Note how effectively the barn has been screened. Attractive farmyards will greatly increase the "Back to the farm movement."

The grounds of the beautiful home of Dr. Stevenson, Quincy, Ill., were planted last spring. The above photograph, taken one year later, shows how quickly these few Stark shrubs enhanced the very barren appearance of this house.

This three-year-old planting of Stark ornaments has truly transformed the above Illinois yard into a place of park-like beauty. Notice especially the effective screening of the garage and of the other outbuildings in the rear.

The attractive St. Louis home of Mr. Doering has been made a place of beauty by the aid of Stark ornaments. This photograph shows only a portion of these beautiful grounds which were completely planned by Stark Bro’s landscape experts and planted with Stark Bro’s Quality Stock.

THESE MODERATE-COST STARK PLANTINGS PLANNED BY OUR EXPERTS. See page 74
This snow-white field of Van Houtte Spirea in bloom was a wonderful sight. Compare the height of the plants with the height of man in picture. This shows what excellent care and modern methods will do toward producing plants for immediate effects. Stark shrubs are not dug until they have developed into perfect specimens.

Photograph at right shows the perfect development of Stark-grown shade trees and shrubs. Each tree is given plenty of space for proper development into a well-branched specimen which will give the customer practically immediate results. The 125 years of experience and the cumulative expert knowledge of five generations accounts for the fact that Stark trees are quality trees.

Stark quality shade trees are grown under the supervision of experts who have had a generation of practical experience, and also training at leading Agricultural Colleges. Each tree is individually trained into a perfect specimen with properly developed top and root system.

This huge field of Stark-grown Hydrangea Peegee shows the results which may be obtained from planting the Stark improved large-flowering type. A veritable sea of Hydrangeas that is typical of all the well-branched, vigorous ornamental stock which Stark Bro's ship out to their customers.
Whole nut and kernel of Missouri Mammoth Hickory nut

NUT TREES NOT ONLY PRODUCE VALUABLE FOOD BUT ARE ATTRACTIVE SHADE TREES

AMERICAN HAZELNUT (Corylus americana). Delicious nuts similar to English filberts. Fine shrub for border.

Butternut (Juglans cinerea). Photograph shows a Stark tree just 11 years old, which has been in bearing for several years in Ohio. Notice how effectively it screens unattractive buildings. Nuts are unusually rich and delicious.


Burbank Royal Walnut (Juglans). Best of all Black Walnuts. Mr. Burbank said “Quality much superior—meat very large”. Grows to timber size in one-half time of ordinary Black Walnut.

Pecan (Hicoria pecan). The favorite nut of the American people. Ideal lawn tree. Schley, Stuart, and Pabst are most satisfactory varieties. We do not recommend these grafted southern varieties north of the Ohio River. For sections north we recommend our Missouri Hardy Seedling Pecan.

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This book has been prepared as another one of Stark Bro's many services to the American Public and as another step forward in helping to make America more beautiful. We have dedicated it to our hosts of customers in every state in the Union and in foreign lands, in appreciation of their great interest and helpful suggestions in developing and broadening the activities of this institution.

In this age, every American is interested in having a beautiful home and appreciates the actual value of beautiful surroundings which help to create a happy frame of mind that cannot be obtained in any other way. Only secondary to this is the actual proven increase in sales' value of any property that is beautified with trees, shrubs, and roses.

Everyone's natural pride should induce him or her to beautify their home-grounds, so that their property will be the envy of the neighborhood and will win the admiration of every passerby. Furthermore, it is the duty of everyone to take an interest in creating beautiful parks, well-kept modern cemeteries, and attractive grounds around the schools and other public buildings in their city. Nothing else can do as much to develop civic pride in any city or community.

We have built up a wonderful Free Landscape Planting Plan Service for our customers, and, in addition, have several thousand Stark Service Men—infact, there is one in practically every locality of the United States—who are able to give valuable and authoritative information on shade trees, flowering shrubs, roses, and other ornamentals. And now, to help both our Service Men and our thousands of customers throughout America, we have prepared this beautiful book of true-to-life color photographs of the choicest flowering shrubs, shade trees, roses, vines, and hedges. The varieties pictured and described in this book are the best and most satisfactory of all ornamentals. They were selected after many years of experience and tests by our experts and after consulting with other leading Horticulturists and Landscape Architects of America.

In this book are shown actual Stark photographs taken on our own grounds or photographs which have been sent to us by our friends and customers, showing the wonderful results obtained by planting Stark Ornamentals. You will find Nature's own colors truthfully portrayed in all these color photographs. We have spared no expense in making this book the best and most helpful of its kind ever issued.
At LOUISIANA, MISSOURI, on the banks of the Mississippi River, is a beautiful little valley, and there is located the headquarters of one of America's oldest business institutions, the World's Largest Nursery. Since the year 1816, when Judge James Stark came to Missouri from Kentucky and started his Nursery on the sunset side of the Mississippi River, in the wonderful loess soil of Pike County, it has gradually grown into the Mammoth Institution of today.

Along with the ever-increasing size of the Stark Nursery Institution, there has been an equal increase in improvements in methods of growing and handling Stark Quality Stock and a continually better and more efficient service for Stark customers.

"Stark Nurseries The Life Work of Five Generations"

The work of developing this Nursery has been carried on through five generations of the Stark family. It has been the life-work of all these generations to strive for all that is best in horticulture.

Many of our expert employees have also been with the Stark Organization for several generations, and their knowledge and skill in growing the Highest Quality Ornamentals has accumulated and been passed down from father to son. Often three generations of the same family are in our employ at the same time.

Nine Stark Branch Nurseries have been established in Seven different States.

There are 4,000 acres of America's best soil, in selected locations throughout the United States, devoted to the growing of Stark Quality Stock. This is one of the many reasons why Stark Nursery Stock is so Superior to stock produced under the usual conditions where an attempt is made to grow hundreds of different kinds and species of young nursery trees and plants in the same type soil and climate. Grown under ideal soil and climatic conditions, which produces maximum strength of root and top, Stark trees, shrubs, roses come to you Full of Vigorous Life and Vitality and are naturally worth far more than ordinary nursery stock.

The extra care used in growing explains why Stark Trees, Shrubs and Ornamentals live and thrive under varying soil and climatic conditions.

Stark Nurseries have been at the same headquarters for over a century. You will always know where to find us—always willing to assist you with your problems. Our interest in our customers continues and our corps of experts is always at their service. In this age when so many inexperienced or temporary growers are offering their wares, it will pay to investigate thoroughly before making a purchase. You can't afford to take chances. Don't risk your time and money.

When you buy Stark stock you know what you get and that a strong "Rock of Gibraltar" Institution is behind every transaction. Stark Bros stand back of the quality of every tree and plant they send out.
Stark New & U.S. Patent PRIZE FRUIT TREES Shrubs & Ornamentals

Stark TREES BEAR FRUIT

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