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CAMPBELL'S EARLY" THE KING OF AMERICAN GRAPES...
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Another season's experience confirms and strengthens the entire confidence heretofore expressed that the introduction of this grape marks an epoch in the substantial advancement of American grape culture, not less distinct and important than that which followed the appearance of the Delaware or Concord.

It has been very carefully observed and tested more than a dozen years, during which time it has shown no fault, but has exceeded all expectations as to its evident merit and high character.

It is confidently believed to be a grape in all respects better adapted to general use in all sections suited to our native grapes, than any variety which has been grown and tested.

SOME POINTS OF SPECIAL MERIT IN CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.

1. A very strong, vigorous, hardy vine, with thick, healthy, mildew resisting foliage, and perfect, self-fertilizing blossoms; always setting its fruit well and bearing abundantly.

2. Clusters very large, usually shouldered, compact and handsome, without being unduly crowded.

3. Berries large, nearly round, often an inch or more in diameter, black with light purple bloom; skin thin, but very tenacious, bearing handling and shipping admirably. Flavor rich, sweet, slightly vinous; pure with no foxiness, coarseness or acidity from the skin to the center. Flesh rather firm, but tender and of equal consistency, parting easily from its few and small seeds. As more than one third of the American people do not and will not swallow grape seeds, we consider this a strong point in favor of Campbell's Early and a matter of trade well worth earnest attention, for as Prof. Lintner, New York State Entomologist, well says: "No grape seeds may be safely swallowed."

4. Its season is very early often showing color late in July, and ripening, according to the season, from the fifteenth to the last of August, at Delaware, Ohio.

5. It has very remarkable keeping qualities. Has hung upon the vines in our vineyard fall of 1897, sound and perfect, for six weeks or more after ripening with no tendency to shelf off or fall from the stem. A few crates were put in a cool cellar Oct. 5th, and at Dec. 20th were apparently as perfect as when stored, and looked as though they would keep in equally as good condition until April. As a good keeper and shipper it is believed to be unequalled by any other American grape.

A few testimonials are added from entirely disinterested sources of very high character, out of more than six hundred received during the fall of 1897, from thirty nine states and the Canadas.

AWARDS—Wilder Medal, American Pomological Society 1897. Medal of Excellence, American Institute 1897; and First Premium at many Agricultural and Agricultural Societies.

PRICE:—On one-year vines, 75c each, $6.00 per ten; on two-year vines, $1.00 each, $8.00 per ten.

TESTIMONIALS.

Tallahassee, Fla., Oct. 4, 1897.
This grape is undoubtedly superior to Concord and all other pure-blooded native black grapes. By the production of such a grape our respected friends, Mr. Geo. W. Campbell, crowns worthily a life of useful labor. E. Dubois.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1, 1897.
My Campbell's Early grape vine has made a growth of about eight feet in length and the wood is hard and well ripened.

W. Saunders, Horticulturist.
U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

J. A. Lintner, State Entomologist.
C. S. John weeks and well. 

I wish to thank you for the basket of handsome clusters of Campbell's Early grapes which I have examined and tasted with much satisfaction. This seems to me a very important addition to our grape list. My young vines are models of health and vigor. If they continue to do as well in the future as they have thus far, I predict for Campbell's Early a brilliant and useful future in this region as a market grape. It is a worthy monument to the name of a most worthy man.


The reception given to Campbell's Early grape by the most critical is very favorable. It appears equal to the best California fruit, and I feel sure that it will do no more harm if the seeds are thrown out for a vine next spring, and it has made double the growth of any other grape of its age on our grounds. We have over fifty of the best varieties in all stages of growing, and we think we know what a good grape is.

W. CITTER & SON.

I bought a trial vine of Campbell's Early grape of you last spring, planting it in my home grounds with sixteen other varieties of same age. Its prodigious growth of fine, stalky, clove, and jointed wood, exceeds everything in my experience with grapes. By the first of this month its wood was mostly ripened—over one hundred joints—while for height of leaf it is incomparable in my collection.

C. W. GRIFFIS.


I have previously expressed my opinion of Campbell's Early grape and can only emphasize it by repeating it. I believe it is the greatest success thus far achieved in hardy grapes, and I feel it will be appreciated by the "Great American People" and on account of its keeping qualities and a market for exportation.


Des Moines, IOWA, Sept. 29, 1897.

Pomona, N. C. Sept. 29, 1897.

I consider it a very fine grape and am satisfied that it will take well for market on account of its early maturing. This season Campbell's Early grape vine sent me last spring threw up five shoots. The shortest one is three and a quarter inches long, the longest one is seven feet, so I consider this very good growth for the first year.

J. VAN LINDLEY.


South Glastonbury, Conn., Nov. 18, 1897.

Campbell's Early is certainly a surprise party. It is a superb shipper and so much better than the old Concord, it is very valuable for the family vineyard and for market. The vine I planted last spring with thirty other varieties made the finest growth of any grape, and it is more vigorous than a Concord, more tolerant of a cold, and in Ohio, Worden, or Niagara.

J. H. HALE.

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Parksville, Va., Nov. 2, 1897.

The vine of Campbell's Early grape which you sent me last spring has grown vigorously. It proved to be healthy and vigorous like the older grape vine which I saw many years ago when visiting Mr. Campbell at his home in Delaware, Ohio. I believe this grape is destined to be the leading early black variety both for home and market use.

H. E. VAN DEMAN.

Formerly Pomologist, U. S. Dept. of Agr.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 1, 1897.

We, the committee appointed to examine new grapes at the Ohio State Fair, would say, fine specimens of Campbell's Early were exhibited. Clusters were long, often shouldered or double shouldered, averaging larger than Concords. Color black, skin thin but firm, and the berry dry and not over the size of the seeds few and firm. Easily from the pulp. Quality first-class. We believe that for a table and market grape it is worthy of general cultivation.

(Signed) E. M. WOODWARD.

C. L. WATROUS.

Committee.

Bozeman, Mont., Nov. 15, 1897.

The Campbell's Early fruit came in remarkable condition and was preserved and served for ten weeks after receipt. The Campbell's Early grape vine has thrown out two shoots—one three and a half feet long, and the second two, four feet long, of strong, healthy, vigorous habit. I consider this remarkably fine considering that in this altitude (4700 feet) grapes do not do at all well.

S. M. EMORY, Director.

Montana Exp. Station.


The basket of Campbell's Early grapes came duly and was much appreciated by us all. Judging from this sample of fruit and the growth of the young vines we bought of you last spring, I am led to think that the Campbell's Early is the most promising variety of recent introduction and if your claim of early ripening is sustained it will be the best marketed grape land cultivation. We have been looking for a black grape as early as Moore's Early and of better quality with the productivity, vigor, and freedom from disease of the Concord, and if you have found these qualities in the new comer it will be of great value to the grape growers of the country and especially to those of New England. About thirty of our young men tested the contents of the basket and pronounced the grapes very fine.

S. T. MAYNARD, Prof. of Horticulture.

Niles, Cal., Sept. 29, 1897.

It is far superior to Moore's Early and Concord, both in size and flavor, and its good carrying qualities make it one of the leading market varieties.

JOHN ROCK.
**General List of Grapes.**

**BRIGHTON**—Large, red, excellent quality, very fine, early.
**CONCORD**—Large, black, good, succeeds everywhere; is a very popular variety, and deservedly so; midseason.
**DELAWARE**—Medium, light red delicious, a feeble grower, early.
**EATON**—Large, black, medium late, showy and fine.
**MOORE'S EARLY**—Large, black, vigorous, very early.
**DIAMOND**—Large, White, fine quality, excellent grower, medium season.
**NIAGARA**—Large, greenish white, midseason.
**POCKLINGTON**—Large, whiteish amber, a vigorous grower.
**SALEM** (Rogers' No. 22)—Bunch and berry large, chestnut color, of high flavor, ripening with Concord, keeps till December.
**ULSTER**—Medium, red, productive, very sweet and good.
**VERGENNES**—Large, red, productive, sweet, long keeper.
**WILDER** (Rogers' No. 4)—Large, black, good grower, midseason.
**WOODRUFF**—Very large, red, showy vigorous early.
**WORDEN**—Resembles Concord, larger, of better quality, early.
**WYOMING**—Medium, light red, fine, early.

The above general list comprises the very best for general culture, and while still others might be added for variety, they would not equal those here mentioned.

**PRICE OF GRAPE VINES.**

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One year vines of Concord and Niagara at $2.00 per 100, Delaware at $2.50 per 100. Prices on 100 and 1000 lots of others quoted on application.

J. G. HARRISON & SONS, Berlin, Md.