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CAMPBELL'S EARLY.

THE KING OF AMERICAN GRAPES.

"WHAT THEY SAY"
IN THIRTY NINE STATES AND THE CANADAS CONCERNING IT.

LOOK WITHIN
For reports from Vineyardists, Nurserymen, Horticulturists and the Agricultural Press, showing the health and hardiness of the vine, its vigorous growth and great productiveness; the beauty and delicious quality of the fruit, how the berries hang to the stem, how well it ships and keeps, altogether aggregating the largest mass of testimonials from eminent authorities ever given to any grape, new or old.

GEO. S. JOSSELYN, INTRODUCER.

FREDONIA, N.Y.
Campbell’s Early Grape....

His grape is offered to the public, with entire confidence that it is a truly valuable acquisition to our list of good, native American varieties and that its introduction 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 (introduced by our Mr. Campbell) or the 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 varieties, than any other which has yet been grown and tested.

Points of special merit in Campbell’s Early Grape are:

First. 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.

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

Third. 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 unpleasant acidity from the skin to the center. Flesh rather firm but tender and of equal consistency, parting easily from its few and small seeds.

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 in his letter herein, “No grape seeds may be safely swallowed.”

Fourth. 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.

Fifth. It has very remarkable keeping qualities. Has hung upon the vines in our own vineyard this Fall of 1897, sound and perfect, for six weeks or more after ripening, with no tendency to shell off or fall from the stems. A few clusters were put in cold storage last season on September 15th and taken out the 15th of December, apparently as perfect as when stored, and seeming as though they might have been kept in good condition until Spring. As a good keeper and shipper it is believed to be unequaled by any other American grape.

Awards:

Wilder Medal, American Pomological Society, 1897. Medal of Excellence, American Institute, 1897. And First Premiums from many Agricultural and Horticultural Societies.
ALABAMA.

Huntsville, Ala. Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes came to hand this morning. They reached us in a good condition and we pronounce it a good grape, good cluster, large size berry, a good shipper and I believe it of value. Alabama Nursery Company.

Huntsville, Ala., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir—I appreciate the opportunity of having been given me to see and taste the Campbell’s Early Grape. The liberal quantitv sent enabled me to sample them fully, which I did with a relish. It is better in quality than Concord, the berries are round and sound, seeds few, parting easily from the pulp, which is tender. The claim that it is the best and most valuable very early black market grape, I believe will be sustained.

W. F. Heikes, Mgr.

Maylene, Ala., Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir—I measured my Campbell’s Early Grape vine today and it measured seven feet. This has been a very dry Summer and Fall in this country.

D. B. Lacey.

ARKANSAS.

Dayton, Ark., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir—Basket of Campbell’s Early Grapes received yesterday in perfect condition. It is large both as to berry and bunch and of exceptionally fine quality.

M. W. Little.

Fayetteville, Ark., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes we have made a good growth this year. The vines are vigorous and healthy.


Lecroy, Ark., Nov. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir—We have had a terrible drought, notwithstanding which the Campbell’s Early vine lived and ripened about twelve joints of wood. It yet has a few green leaves this 8th day of November.

J. Nuesch.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Nov. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grape vines have done well, taking into consideration the extreme drought. I am well pleased with them. They had the finest roots of any grape vines I ever saw.

William T. Simpson.

CALIFORNIA.

Niles, California, Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir—The basket of Campbell’s Early Grapes you sent me on Sept. 18th addressed to me at San Jose, was received here at Niles on the 28th inst. in excellent condition, not a berry being damaged. As an early grape, it is far superior to Moore’s Early and Concord, both in size and flavor, and its good carrying qualities will make it one of the leading market varieties.

John Rock.

Oakland, California, Sept. 30, 1897.

Geo. S. Josselyn—The grapes came Wednesday morning, having been a week on the way. There was no single decayed or soft grape in the whole basket, and when we took them out they looked as fresh as if they had just come off the vines. Our friends could not believe they had made the journey across the continent. I believe they could go around the world. It is a most delicious grape and ought to be very popular in California as a table grape.

John H. Boalt.

Napa, California, Nov. 10, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grape vine has grown very well but, owing to very dry Spring—no rain since March and no irrigation used here—not much could be expected.

Leonard Coates.

Napa, California, Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir—No grape vine grows very strongly here the first Summer and the Campbell’s Early has not been an exception. I have no doubt but it will grow better next season.

George Husmann.

Cloverdale, Sonoma Co., Cal., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir—Mr. Hatch of our manager, has just been in and wants me to tell you of the wonderful growth the Campbell’s Early grape vines are making. He says he never in his life saw anything grow so fast.

J. John H. Boalt.

Agricultural Experiment Station.

Pomona, California, Dec. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grape vines had no rain on them from March till September but, have grown about four feet in length during the Summer. The plants had the finest root system of any grape vines I ever saw.

J. W. Mills, Supt. of Station.

CONNECTICUT.

South Glastonbury, Conn., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir—Thanks for your pleasant remembrance of the basket of Campbell’s Early Grapes. It is certainly a surprise party as I had not before realized that it was such a large, handsome grape. The bunches are also larger than I had supposed and with its tough skin, it is a superb shipper and it is so much better than any of the early grapes that it naturally proved very valuable not only for the family vineyard but also for the market. If the general public could see it as this sample shows, I am sure you would not be able to get their vines enough to supply the trade for a number of years to come.

J. H. Hale.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes you sent were fine.

W. W. Hunt & Co.

Middlefield, Conn., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes arrived in good condition. We took them from the express office some four or five days after you shipped them and they opened up as nice and fresh apparently as they were when started. We found the clusters of good size and compact, quality was good, and we should judge the variety would be a first class grape to ship to distant markets as well as being valuable for the family fruit garden.

P. M. Augur’s Sons.

Cheshire, Conn., Oct. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell’s Early Grapes received in fine shape. Took the basket to our local fair where it attracted much attention.

E. A. Atwater & Co.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes came through in fine condition and I am much pleased with them. I hope they will prove as popular as your Fay Currant, and I see no reason why they will not as they are the best early grape I have yet seen.

W. E. Wallace.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 20, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes arrived in perfect condition and open up most attractively.

Elm City Nursery Co.

Danbury, Conn., Oct. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell’s Early Grapes which were shipped Sept. 30th, 1897, have kept good until now. My opinion is that they are one of the best shippers as yet introduced, a grape of great promise and I am delighted with it.

Isaac E. Durgy.

South Glastonbury, Conn., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir—In relation to the Campbell’s Early grape vine, I planted it last Spring in the family plot along with thirty-six other varieties that had been planted in the Fall previous and I am glad to report that it made the finest growth of any in the plot this past season, even more vigorous than Moore’s Early, Concord, Worden or Niagara.

J. H. Hale.

South Norwalk, Conn., Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes have made a fair growth with me, two shoots only being left. One has made a growth of about five feet and the other nearly four feet, and has hardened up its wood perfectly.

W. W. Comstock.

Cornwall Bridge, Conn., Nov. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir—I truly say that I never planted any vines that made as strong, vigorous and healthy growth as the Campbell’s Early vines have. Some of them have canes over five feet long of well ripened wood.

C. E. B. Hatch.

From the Connecticut Farmer. Oct. 2, 1897:

Our thanks are due Geo. S. Josselyn of Fredonia, N. Y., for a very nice basket of Campbell’s Early Grapes. They excelled anything we have ever tasted for an early grape and are excellent in every particular.

COLORADO.

Canon City, Colo., Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell’s Early Grapes arrived in excellent condition, firm and solid as the day they came off the vines. We are delighted with them, the flavor is excellent, and I am not to be insipid: a decided improvement, we think, on the Concord and Worden. We imagine they would do well in this State.

Dewees & Dye.
Greeley, Colo., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes were several days late in arriving but were immense when they did come, Prof. C. F. Gillett, the State Entomologist, was here at the time; he and myself found them good and think they fully comply to your description of them.

Geo. J. Speer.

From Field and Farm, Denver, Colo., Oct. 2, 1897.

We have had considerable to say about the Campbell grapes during the past two years, and this week we received a basket of them from George S. Jossey, of Fredonia, New York. Mr. Jossey writes us that the specimens were from vines planted in 1895, and they were certainly very fine grapes in every particular. The grapes were sold out in a very short time, select the hardest and healthiest foliage hybrids for succession. While not yet grown extensively in a commercial way, it has been cultivated for several years by the originator and by others; it has been repeatedly shown at horticultural exhibits in several states. The vines are of a robust vigorous habit of growth and the buds have stood a temperature of eighteen degrees below zero without injury. The leaf has the large, thick, luxuriant appearance of the labrusca type of grapes. This grape is of exceptionally good shipping quality.

Myer & Son.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grape vine did splendidly and will warrant the strongest recommendation.

Chairman House Committee on Rivers and Harbors.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir—My Campbell’s Early Grape vine has made a growth of about eight feet in length and the wood is hard and well ripened.

Horticulturist, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

From The Washington Post, Nov. 2, 1897:

A NEW AND DESIRABLE GRAPE.

Of all the new candidates for public favor, Campbell’s Early has the inside track. Its merits, as compared with Moore’s Early, can be briefly summarized, as follows:

Campbell’s Early is as early as Moore’s Early, of good size, shape, color, and flavor. It has a large, thick, luxuriant appearance of the labrusca type of grapes.

In dessert quality it is unrivaled by any of our present list of first early market grape varieties. It is both as to cluster and berry, of large size, a glossy black color with a beautiful blue bloom; pulp sweet and juicy; free from foxiness; seeds small, few in number, and part readily from the pulp. For those who do not swallow grape seeds, this variety will be a great favorite.

The vine is of a robust, vigorous habit of growth, the buds have stood a temperature of 18 degrees below zero without injury; the leaf is large, thick, luxuriant appearance of the labrusca type of our native grape. Fruit from vines but two years old was shown at the annual exhibit of the Chautauqua Horticultural Society at Brocton, in September, 1896.

The fruit committee consisted of Prof. E. G. Looman, assistant horticulturist of Cornell University Experiment Station; G. E. Rychman of Brocton, U. E. Dodge of Fredonia, the latter among the most experienced vineyardists of the county. N. Y.

After a careful sampling of the plates of Campbell’s Early, awarded, based on a scale of points, gave this variety 96 points out of a possible 100, it being the highest score ever gained by any seedling grape ever exhibited before, the Washington Grape Growers’ Association, this season, first offered to the fruit-growing public by George S. Jossey of Fredonia, N. Y., who also introduced the Concord and Stay’s Prolific Currant. A marked seed on the past of grape growers has been that of an early market grape of the best quality, and Campbell’s Early seems destined to supply this deficiency.

FLORIDA.

Tallahassee, Fla., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir—The basket of Campbell’s Early Grapes was four days on the way, but arrived in good condition. This grape is undoubtedly superior to Concord and all other pure-blooded native black grapes. It is in the sweet and aromatic—between the skin and the pulp, which I never noticed to be the same extent in any labrusca hybrid. It is a new grapes a bit more vinous than the best varietal, the berries are a bit more vinous than the best varietal, and the berries are not so glutinous as in the Concord, and with but little acidity. If, as you claim, the grape is hardy, strong, vigorous and prolific, and if it is the main point, adapted to such a climate as this, and with but little acidity. This grape it will surely supersed the latter in the favor of the American grape grower. The production of such a grape, our respected friend, Mr. Geo. W. Campbell, crowns worthy a life of useful labor.

E. Dubois.

GEORGIA.

Marcus, Ga., Oct. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir—I received some days since the Campbell’s Early Grapes. The grape seems to be in some respects distinct from all others known to me. Its color is the most jet black I know of and while the skin is thin it is tough and well filled with juice of a peculiar but pleasant flavor, the pulp large but melting and sweet. Its carrying qualities will cause it to become a great market grape. It will doubtless prove of great value as a wine grape.

J. G. Justice.

La Grange, Ga., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes just received for which please accept my thanks and I shall judge them to be an exceedingly fine grape.

Henry Banks.

ROME, Ga., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell’s Early Grapes received in good condition. We are highly pleased with the grape; we find it to be of splendid quality and of good color and it certainly is a good shipper. The few seeds and their parting readily from the pulp is very noticeable. It certainly is the finest among the blacks that has yet come to our notice.

G. H. Miller & Son.

Jackson, Ga., Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir—We have on hand, this the 2nd day of Oct., a few bunches of the Campbell’s Early Grapes that you shipped us the 18th of Sept. and we find them this morning to be still in good condition. This is certainly some proof as to the keeping qualities of the grape.

G. H. Miller & Son.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 19, 1897.

Dear Sir—Without being exact, one of my Campbell’s Early vines has nine branches from one to five feet long; the other has six branches from one to four feet long. The wood is well matured.

John L. Wagner.

Newnan, Ga., Nov. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—My Campbell’s Early Grapes ran up two arms each four feet in length and each about the size of a large pencil at first joint. It seems very healthy.

A. B. Cates.

ILLINOIS.

Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell’s Early Grapes received. Although evidently picked several weeks ago the berries cling to the stem and no breaks in the skin as the berries large for a black grape. It is certainly nearer perfection than any other grape of its class. F. K. Phinney, to whom we sent a bunch, wrote as follows: "The berries large, black skin very thin, no astringency, pulp tender juicy, sweet, aromatic, altogether very high quality."

P. S. Phinney.

Antioch, Ill., Oct. 21, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell’s Early Grapes arrived in perfect condition. We admire them and think they are the best early grape in America and is without a fruit or pear. We endorse it in every way.

H. B. Pierce.
Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early Grapes arrived in very fine condition. There were not a cracked or spoiled grape in the entire basket and they are very fine. We think it is a great improvement over other grapes. The flavor is very fine and the seeds come out very easily. 

Klehm's Nurseries.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early Grapes came to hand in fine condition. The berries are even in size and the bunches compact. The seeds separating from the pulp very easily makes it a first class table grape for the table. 

L. F. Dintelmant.

Alpha, Ill., Oct. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir—We received the Campbell's Early Grapes in good condition and are very favorably impressed with them. 

Alpha Nursery Co.

Bloomington, Ill., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early Grapes reached us in good condition. It is excellent in appearance and the clusters are unusually large, especially when taking into consideration that they were from one year vines planted in 1895. The quality of the grape is good and if the vines prove hardy throughout the country, we would consider it an acquisition as a shipping grape. 

Phoenix Nursery Company.

Carlienville, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early Grapes came in perfect condition, being on the road three days. Your description is none too strong. The seeds are small and separate easily from the pulp, the berry very large and of splendid flavor, the thin skin insures them to be a good shipper.

W. B. Otwell.

Centralia, Ill., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir—I received the Campbell's Early Grapes. They were fine.

C. H. Webster.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir—We found the clusters of Campbell's Early Grapes very fine, of good form and size, and think them very much indeed and found the flavor very sweet with a muskiness very pleasing. The bunches stood shipping well, this variety evidently not being inclined to shell readily. J. C. Vaughan.

Clayton, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—the basket of Campbell's Early Grapes sent Shank Nur. Co. just arrived today. We find them O. K. and condition good, this is certainly a remarkable grape and will prove an excellent shipper. 

Miss Linn Apple Co. 

D. Shack, President.

Cohoctah, Ill., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early Grapes arrived in good condition. It is pronounced by all that saw and tasted it as a very good grape. It certainly shows better than through a long shipment. It looks now as though it may be kept yet in prime condition for a month. 

L. H. Frese.

Collinville, Ill., Oct. 14, 1897.

Dear Sir—I must say they are the finest and best tasting grapes that I have ever seen or tasted.

Jos. S. Juds.

Downer's Grove, Ill., Oct., 1, 1897.

Dear Sir—The grapes (Campbell's Early) came in fine order. We found them very fine, all you claim for them. The bunches were unusually large for such young vines.

A. B. Austin.

Dundee, Ill., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell's Early Grapes received. I am sorry Mr. Hill is not at home to sample these grapes. Grapes arrived in fine condition and are very nice. 

M. Rodeoch, for D. Hill.

Freeport, Ill., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell's Early grapes received today by express. They are excellent in size and flavor and think they will be one of the leading grapes in the future.

Lebkicher & Spitter.

Geneeseo, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in fine condition and are fine, the clusters being large and perfect. I consider the Campbell far superior to Moore's Early both in quality of fruit, size of clusters and carrying qualities. I doubt not it will take the lead among early grapes. 

J. W. Richmond.

Jacksonville, Ill., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes were duly received. The fruit is fine and arrived in excellent condition and has kept well.

A. A. Baldwin.

Jacksonville, Ill., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir—About the Campbell's Early grapes. It was the 28th of Sept. before they arrived. They were in very good condition. I think they are fine.

E. H. Johnson.

La Fayette, Ill., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir—The grapes came in fine condition. Ever since hearing Mr. Campbell tell about his early grape, I have been wanting to see them. They will surely make a good market grape on account of their large size and fine appearance. While they were not soft or over ripe, there was not a broken grape in the entire basket full, after being handled by two Express companies.

Irvin Ingels.

Mattoon, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir—The grapes came in fine order. They are beyond a doubt the finest black grape we have ever seen. The bunches being large and polly with small seeds, making it an ideal table (as well as for wine) grape. Everybody is admiring your new grape.

Kirchberger & Son.

Mt. Pulaski, Ill., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir—Please accept my thanks for the grapes. They are the finest black grape I ever saw and an excellent shipper. Judging from the leaf enclosed, the foliage is simply immense. I showed them to several good judges of grapes and the unanimous opinion was "The finest grape we ever saw." 

O. C. Bumgarner.

Normal, Ill., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in fine condition, four days on the road. The bunches are large, compact and of very pleasant flavor, very large, jet black and of delicious flavor, very refreshing, so hard, your pulp—seeds easily separated, skin thick and tenacious, enabling it to stand up well in long distant shipments.

W. A. Watson & Co.

Nursery, Ill., Oct. 16, 1897.

My Dear Sir—I acknowledge with pleasure the receipt of the Campbell's Early grapes which you kindly sent me about a month ago. I was absent from home at the time and did not sample them for about a week afterward. One of the bunches weighed ten ounces, the berries being of the exact size of your photograph. They were so large, fine and delicious, being very sweet and aromatic in flavor, more meaty, with less pulp than Concord, but it proves also one of the best for culinary purposes. It is a fine shipper and excellent keeper—certainly a most decided acquisition among the new grapes.

J. V. Cott.

Paxton, Ill., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes were received in very fine condition. Looked at if they would keep for two weeks yet. The berry is simply perfect, the seeds separate so nicely from the pulp, and sweet to the center. Clusters were immense. I think as a commercial variety it has wide field. The leaf is all that could be asked for. Dr. J. Y. Campbell says it the finest grape of the kind he ever saw or tried. May the coming generation enjoy better grapes than their fathers.


Pittsfield, Ill., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir—I received the grapes some time ago. They are very fine.

A. S. Archer.


Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes received and they are fine and no mistake. They arrived in splendid condition.

Arthur Bryant & Son.

Savoca, Ill., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes received. I think them an improvement on the Moore's Early. The flavor is better, the skin tougher and there are fewer seeds, all of which recommends them in my estimation.

D. L. Carpenter.

Spaulding, Ill., Oct. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir—Thanks for Campbell's Early grapes. They were fine.

Spaulding Nursery & Orchard Co.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. I have tested no better. 

W. E. Willard.

Sterling, Ill., Oct. 11, 1897.

Dear Sir—Campbell's Early grapes received O. K. They were in good condition, I was surprised at their keeping qualities. The seed I had of them was that they would be gone long before Concord were fit for eating. The quality is very good. I have sampled them around among my grape growing friends and others and the universal testimony is that it is a good grape.

Jas. H. Woodburn.
Vienna, Ill., Sept. 27, 1897

Dear Sir:—We have received the Campbell’s Early grapes and can say that they arrived in excellent condition. Upon sampling them we found them most excellent and the small seeds readily came out of the pulp and made the eating of grapes a pleasure indeed. The clusters were very nice indeed.

Galernee & Thacker.

Wilmington, Ill., Oct. 13, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in fine condition. It suits me the best of any grape I ever ate and I am not alone in that conclusion. I was surprised to see such nice clusters from your vines. I know of no other early grapes that would ship as well and keep as nice as Campbell’s Early. We have some of them yet.

E. D. Caigwin.

Windsor, Ill., Oct. 11, 1897

Concord, thou hast been a faithful leader but fare-thee-well! Thy successor has arrived in the person of “Campbell’s Early”

Clayson Bros.

Onarga, Ill., Oct. 4, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand in good condition.

R. B. Cultra.

Rosemond, Ill., Oct. 4, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were the largest grapes at the State fair this year and took first premium.

E. E. Ginlin.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 25, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in splendid condition and I must pronounce them one of the choicest varieties that I have ever seen. The clusters were well filled; the berries large and the flavor most excellent.

J. C. Brown, Editor.

Frazier Farmer.

Stauton, Ill., Nov. 16, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes I kept over a month without cold storage, in fair condition. The quality is good and on account of the tough skin it is the best keeper of any grape I know of.


Villa Ridge, Ill., Nov. 13, 1897

The Campbell’s Early grape vine was an elegant grown plant and has made a splendid growth this summer and seems perfectly healthy.

E. J. Ayres, Mgr.

Illinois Exp. Station, No. 15.

Kimmundy, Ill., Oct. 30, 1897

Dear Sir:—My Campbell’s Early grapevine did exceedingly well considering location and no rain in months. We are dried out here.

E. G. Mendenhall.

Experiment Station, No. 1, Illinois State Horticultural Society.

Princeton, Ill., Nov. 1, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine you sent and another received from Mr. Campbell did very well. Conditions here were not the best for newly planted vines to make a heavy growth but the plants are vigorous and healthy and we think another year will give good results.

Arthur Bryant.

Experiment Station No. 13, Illinois State Horticultural Society.

Freeport, Ill., Nov. 1, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early vine sent by you for the Station made a good growth the past season and is in No. 1 condition.

H. R. Cotta.

Experiment Station No. 14, Illinois State Horticultural Society.

Jacksonville, Ill., Nov. 1, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine received from you made a good healthy growth fully equal to other varieties planted at the same time.

H. L. Doan.

Normal, Ill., Nov. 2, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine made a splendid growth this season, about nine feet of vine.

W. A. Watson & Co.

Wilmington, Ill., Nov. 5, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapevine received of you last spring is a fine healthy vine, has made a growth of three and one-half feet on ordinary soil without extra care. It has been very dry here the whole season and the vine has not had any water except two small showers since last May.

E. D. Caigwin.

Alton, Ill., Nov. 19, 1897

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early vine planted last spring, has made a good stock frame for this year, and I expect it will bear a few bunches of fruit next season.

E. A. Rilieh, Director.

Illinois State Exp. Stations.

Nauvoo, Ill., Nov. 5, 1897

Dear Sir:—The plant of Campbell’s Early grape made a fine growth considering the very dry weather since last June. It made about six feet of good ripe wood.

E. Baxter’s Sons.

From Farm, Field and Fireside, Chicago, Oct. 2, 1897.

CAMPBELL’S EARLY GRAPE.

Chautauqua County, N. Y. is celebrated for its grapes. Mr. George S. Josselyn of Fredonia, has sent us a sample of his new early grape which bears the name of the head of this article. It is named for George W. Campbell, of Delaware, Ohio, who originated this variety of early black grape. It is an improved Concord, produced by different crosses from Hartford, Concord, Moore’s Early through Muscat-Hamburg, selecting the hardest and healthiest balled hybrids for succession. While not yet grown extensively in a commercial way, it has been fruited for several years by the originator and by others. It has been experimentally shown at horticultural exhibits in several states.

From the samples received we do not hesitate to pronounce it a superior grape for table use; probably no early grape can compete with it.

Mr. Josselyn writes that the sample clusters were from one year old vines planted in 1895. It is not usually expected that good clusters are to be obtained from first year bearing vines; but these are full and symmetrical. Not a single grape was broken from the cluster, though shipped from Fredonia, N. Y., to Chicago.

It is evident that Campbell’s Early is to take a first rank as a shipper. It has a firm, compact quality and apparently might have been kept for weeks. In fact the wife of the editor prophesied she could keep it till Christmas; but unfortunately it was too popular with the family after its delicious flavor was tasted. It was evident the grape was fully ripe. The pulp is sweeter than the Hartford or Concord. The seeds are not numerous nor large.

In these days when everybody is warned against swallowing grape seeds, it is important to find a grape that is sweet through to the center, so you are not tempted to swallow the seed, on account of the sour, disagreeable taste left behind in attempting to extract the seed. This grape is noticeably sweet all through and ought to have great popularity for dessert uses. From a certificate given by the editor of the “Fruit,” it appears that which is an exceptional quality; its fine appearance and taste, marking it for family use; its adaptation for transportation which is beyond the average, the wine is hardy and a good grower—having withstood a low degree of temperature.

When these superior qualities both of the fruit and the vine become fully known, Mr. Josselyn will have all he can do to supply vines for transplanting. We may add that the Campbell’s Early is as well adapted to the climate of Wisconsin, Michigan and Northern Illinois, as to New York.

From the Prairie Farmer, Chicago, Oct. 2, 1897.

At the recent meeting of the American Pomological Society, held at Columbus, Ohio, Mr. George W. Campbell, of Delaware, Ohio, gave the history and a description of Campbell’s Early grape, specimens of which were on exhibition. It was originated in 1885, and was either one-eighth or one-fourth of the average, the vine having tenacious and hardy—a new introduction of thousands of seedlings that he had grown during the thirty years of his experimentation. He said he had spent in endeavoring, by crossing and hybridizing, to improve our American grape. He had determined not to introduce them until they were important respects that were well known. He has already had. The season and hardiness of Campbell’s Early admittance of its being the Concord succeeded, as it is nearly two weeks earlier, and in vigor, foliage, and hardiness is equal to that variety. It has a more tenacious skin and handier than any known to conventional walkers without breaking and is never known to crack. They will hold on the vines for six weeks without breaking down. This places it in the highest rank of shipping and keeping qualities, and it never sheds. The skin is thin but firm, and there is no acid taste beneath it. The seeds are small, few in number, and
are free from the pulp. The fruit stems are very stout, the bunches are large, close, and generally shouldered that grows when about the same size and color of Moore’s Early, but are of a higher flavor. In making his crosses he used the harder sort as the female and found that the fruit of the new sort was a union of those of the parents.

From the Farmers’ Call, Quincy, Ills., Sept. 30, 1897.

Mr. Geo. S. Josselyn, of Fredonia, N. Y., the famous propagator of grape vines, has put us under obligation for a basket of his Campbell’s Early grapes. These grapes were from one year old vines, planted in 1895, yet the clusters were unusually fine, as may be inferred from the fact that there were only eight clusters on a bunch, and the berries were extra large. This is something remarkable, for we think, for the clusters are from the first year bearing. We don’t know of any other variety that will produce such fine clusters the first year. The grapes arrived in strictly first class condition, showing them to be good shippers. We can testify further, that the quality is superior. We would pronounce Campbell’s Early grape a first class dessert grape. The berry is a glossy black, with fine blue bloom, and free from foxiness. We understand that Campbell’s Early is as early as Moore’s Early and that the vine is robust, vigorous and hardy.

From the Western Flownman, Chicago, Oct. 1, 1897.

CAMPBELL’S EARLY GRAPE.

Last week we received from Geo. S. Josselyn, the well known nurseryman, propagator and dealer in grape vines, small fruit plants, small fruit plants, of Fredonia, N. Y., a basket of Campbell’s Early grapes. They were the largest grape we ever saw faultlessly firm and of splendid quality. The pulp is entirely sweet, which makes it unnecessary to swallow the seed in order to avoid an acid flavor. In eating many varieties of grapes—the Concord for instance—if the seeds are rejected there is a sharp acid taste from the white fluid vines, the grape. The Campbell’s Early is so sweet, delicious and fat that the entire pulp may be eaten without the least appearance of an acid flavor. The bunches are large and compact, showing that it is a prolific variety. It is by all odds the finest black grape that we ever saw, and because it is worthy of all possible commendation, it gets this free editorial notice, something that the Flownman is very particular about giving. By the way, these large bunches are the first year’s bearing.

From Farm and Home, Chicago, Ill., Jan. 1, 1898.

Campbell’s Early grape is one of the most attractive of recent horticultural introductions. Some of our most expert black grape growers believe the time will in time become as universal as the Concord. Certainly it is that the Campbell has many requisites for a lasting popularity. The vine is a vigorous grower and extremely hardy. It is a prolific bearer, the bunches are large and compact, the berries are large, firm, of fine flavor and covered with a skin that enables them to stand shipment long distances. The originator, Geo. W. Campbell, one of America’s most astute and skillful nurserymen and has long been a grape specialist. He was fortunate in arranging for the introduction of this remarkable variety through so capable and reliable a nurseryman as George S. Josselyn of Fredonia, N. Y., who has been identified with the successful introduction of several fruits that have now become standard, especially the Cayuurrant. Everyone who orders the Campbell grape or any other nursery stock from Friend Josselyn is certain of good plants, absolutely true to name, well grown, stocky, thrifty and sure to live and give satisfactory results under all ordinary conditions. Readers will do well to at least a few of Campbell’s Early, particulars about which and other stock can be obtained free upon application to Mr. Josselyn, stating that you saw this notice in Farm and Home.

From the Farmers’ Voice, Chicago, Ill., Oct. 2, 1897.

The Farmers’ Voice returns thanks to George S. Josselyn for as fine a basket of grapes as it was ever the privilege of this man to see. Mr. Josselyn, whose famous nurseries at Fredonia, N. Y., are known to every grower on earth, is the introducer of the wonderful “Campbell’s Early” grape, and it was from the vines of that variety the grapes came. Great, black mamboms they were, in clusters which no artist might hope to reproduce, juicy to a high degree, and with a flavor of surpassing sweetness and mildness. It seems incredible that they had come from one-year old vines planted in the year 1895, as a note from Mr. Josselyn assured us. The seeds were remarkably small. This comparatively new grape seems to fill perfectly the want of the grower—a remarkably early with a skin that makes it possible to ship any distance of quality which must please the popular palate. It is destined to become a favorite with fruit men everywhere.

From the Farmers’ Review, Chicago, Oct. 6, 1897.

CAMPBELL’S EARLY GRAPE.

We have received from Geo. S. Josselyn, of Fredonia, N. Y., a basket of Campbell’s Early grapes. The grapes arrived in fine shape and showed no marks of their long journey. They certainly are good shippers. In quality and size they are remarkable, and bid fair to take a leading place on the market. We have never seen more compact or more beautiful bunches. All appearances indicate that they are excellent keepers.

INDIANA.

Anderson, Ind., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes are at hand. They arrived in excellent condition and are certainly a fine, large, early grape and will surely find the first place among early grapes in the market of the future. S. Hugil & Son.

Bridgeport, Ind., Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes have been hand in perfect condition and are indeed very fine to look at. Bunches large and compact, berries large and very showy, skin thick and tough, certainly making it a perfect shipping grape, quality very good, and seeds parting readily from pulp.

Alberton & Hobbs.

Ripple, Ind., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:— Grapes arrived in fine condition. They are the best early grapes we have seen, and will prove the grape season with a grape that has so much to commend it. Its keeping and shipping qualities make it a great acquisition to the grape growers of a large, compact, shouldered bunched grape, an excellent flavor.

L. Llewellyn.

Butlerville, Ind., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were delayed a little but reached me in good condition. I never saw more compact or perfect bunches and the flavor is good.

F. Milhouse.

Clinton, Ind., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir: We are in receipt of the Campbell’s Early grapes which have just surpassed our anticipations. We have never seen so compact and better shouldered bunched, the berries large and attractive. It seems to us you have the King of the Grape tribe.

Downing & Morris.

Foresman, Ind., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes proved to be simply grand. After being on the road several days they opened up as fresh as if they had been just picked. I think they are the best grape yet introduced.

F. A. Woodin.

Greenfield, Ind., Sept. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received grapes, “Campbell’s Early,” in good shape. It is not only fine but superb. We showed them to some of our business men here and they were greatly impressed with them. We think the flavor excellent. Never saw larger bunches and grapes. If you have a surplus you should have a “Kondike.”

J. K. Henby & Son.

Greensburg, Ind., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes received today. I consider them quite an acquisition. Their large size, few seeds (usually only one, if find) which so easily separate from the pulp, their earliness of ripening, and extension of season, with their quality, all these features combined make it a superior grape.

L. B. Cochran.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in excellent condition. It is a fine grape, very sweet and delicious, and it the Campbell bears as well as the Concord, it will, no doubt, take the lead.

H. C. Eldleff.

Lyons, Ind., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received a few days ago. For quality, size and keeping it seems to be all right.

W. E. Stacy.
Irvinton, Ind., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—All who have tasted Campbell think it superb in quality and fine in bunch and berry, a great advance over any variety herefore well known. I think that on account of its quality, earliness, hardiness, and fine appearance, it will become the standard among good grapes for the table.

G. N. Myer.

Lakeston, Ind., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Its size, compactness and size of bunch, its quality and the merits of being hardy and as early as Moore's Early certainly recommends Campbell's Early to the planting public.

Logansport, Ind., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The grapes certainly are one of the finest I ever saw. I have eight varieties in my vineyard but none come up to Campbell's Early in appearance, if its flavor. They certainly would be a No. 1 shipper. If I add any more grapes to my list, it certainly will be the Campbell.

J. E. Booth.

Noblesville, Ind., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in good order. They are very fine.

J. E. Walker.

Peru, Ind., Oct. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I received the Campbell's Early grapes you sent me. They were fine and in good condition. I consider them one of the best early grapes I ever tasted. Silas Kesling.

Plymouth, Ind., Aug. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes are certainly all you claim for them, that is to say, they are the coming day's grapes and such heavy, compact bunches, it is a pleasure to see as well as to eat, the seeds part so freely from the pulp.

Holland & Co.

Scotland, Ind., Oct. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes arrived in the very best of condition showing their shipping qualities to be unsurpassed. In flavor they are excellent and certainly should suit the taste of everybody.

W. C. Bennett.

Charlottesville, Ind., Nov. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes you sent me some time ago arrived in good shape after being on the road five days. Will say it is a very fine grape. I kept some of the clusters in my cellar for four weeks in good shape.

Thomas Shields.

Bridgeport, Ind., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—We only planted out one vine of Campbell's Early grapes in the June season here this season, and it only made a moderate growth.

S. Hughel & Son.

Valparaiso, Ind., Dec. 14, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early has shown wonderful strength and vigor of vine and foliage. "Campbell" has come to stay.

E. E. Shedd.

From the Indiana Farmer, Indianapolis, Oct. 2, 1897.

**CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.**

We have received a small basket of this new grape from Geo. S. Jesselyn, the introducer, Fredonia, N. Y. We saw the grape at the meeting of the Ohio State Horticultural Society and American Pomological Society at Columbus, O., two weeks ago, a d heard Mr. Campbell, the originator, tell its history and its qualities. It is no doubt a valuable acquisition to our list of table and market grapes. It is quite large, one of the berries measuring 2 5/8 inches in circumference on its 7 5/8 inch in diameter. Many of them are 3 4/5 inch. It is a deep black, pulp sweet, skin rather tough, seeds few but large, is very early, ripening with Moore's Early, but is a late keeper, as these sent to us show. They will hang on the vines six weeks after opening and will ship thousands of miles if necessary. The vines are healthy and vigorous. It was awarded the Wrape and it was so American Pomological Society at its meeting in Columbus.

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Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes received. It is certainly one of the nicest tasting and finest looking that we have ever seen.

J. F. Wallace.

Des Moines, Iowa, Oct. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes sent us by express on Sept. 18, were received. I was out of the city when they came and did not get them until about ten days after they were shipped. We found the grapes of high quality, berries good size, skin very tough and bunched large and well formed. Campbell's Early be the best shipping grape thus far introduced.

W. H. Shaul, Mer.,

Iowa State Nursery Co.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I wish to thank you for the 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 modes of health and vigor. If they continue to bear 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 worker.

C. L. Watrous,

(President American Pomological Society).

Dubuque, Iowa, Oct. 9, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes came on the 28th of Sept. and they are in good condition at this writing. I am surprised at such rare keeping and shipping qualities in so good a grape. Berries as large as Moore's Early and bunched larger and very compact. Grocery and commission men with handle this grape without fear of loss. There is a bright future before Campbell's Ear. Recommendations from a prominent nurseriesman of Iowa, was at our place last week and is delighted with its fine quality, large size and good condition.

W. H. Guild.

Cresco, Iowa, Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in fine condition. This means a long season and are yet perfectly sound. Bunches and fruit very large. The fruit is of good quality, the pulp very tender and the grape might be called a "free seed" variety. The leaf is very thick and large and just what we Northern Iowa Horticulturists look for in fruit to stand our climate.

J. B. Mitchell.

Davenport, Iowa, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Many thanks for Campbell's Early grapes. They arrived in fine condition and I am all claim for them. Quality good to best.

Nichols & Looney.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 27, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—We are just in receipt of Campbell's Early grapes which we found in excellent condition. I had a number of small fruit fanciers who are among our leading business men, examine and sample them.

D. F. Witter, President of the Iowa Loan and Trust Co., says he has never eaten in Iowa or elsewhere a finer or more juicy grape. H. E. Teachout, President of Des Moines Ice Co., says he has never seen a larger grape nor put one in his mouth which suited his taste better. W. L. Shepherd, Presi. d'Co. of the same ice co. in Des Moines, says he has never seen a more beautiful blue bloom and the large size of cluster and berry. The universal opinion of all who examined them was that it far, far, far, surpasses all grapes they ever saw. As a color a beautiful blue bloom makes it very handsome. He fully agree with them upon every point and if the grape is sufficiently hardy to stand Iowa climate and if it ripens in the same case, you will find an opening here for some of your surplus stock.

Des Moines Nursery Company.

Glenwood, Iowa, Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived yesterday. I let fifty or more people see and taste them immediately. Condition of the grapes is near perfect, as not a crushed berry was to be found and only a few were off the stems. Those who tasted thought the quality excellent and were surprised and bunched large and wondrously beautiful. Several who raise and use almost wholly such grapes as Delaware, Brighton, etc. pronounced the quality first class, and for myself I can say it is very near the best in the world and the best of the new introducing and which is my favorite grape.

A. C. Sabin.

Greenfield, Iowa, Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived yesterday. I let five or more people see and taste them immediately. Condition of the grapes is near perfect, as not a crushed berry was to be found and only a few were off the stems. Those who tasted thought the quality excellent and were surprised and bunched large and wondrously beautiful. Several who raise and use almost wholly such grapes as Delaware, Brighton, etc. pronounced the quality first class, and for myself I can say it is very near the best in the world and the best of the new introducing and which is my favorite grape.

M. R. Stewart.

Kokomo, Iowa, Oct. 20, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I thank you for the Campbell's Early grapes. The berries are large and luscious. You made a great strike with such an attractive fruit.

Edmund Jaeger.
Harlan, Iowa, Oct. 8, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—Your basket of nice grapes received six days from the time they were shipped. Were in good condition and ripe. I now send my opinion as to the fruit as it had been picked so long and could not do itself justice as to flavor. But as to shipping quality, perfection of bunches, size of berries and grades high. We are glad to record a step in advance in improvements in fruits and will wait with pleasure the test and future of the Campbell’s Early grape.

W. M. Bomberger.

Iowa Falls, Iowa, Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell’s Early combines any qualities to make it a valuable market grape. The large compact bunches with fine flavor and being an extra shipper, will place it foremost among any now grown.

G. A. Irvine.

Le Mars, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in fine condition. I would class them among the very best early black grape yet introduced. They are simply immense in size. The Concordos look small beside them, and for table use I think them unsurpassed as they are among the most beautiful and sweetest of the black grapes, and for shipping they surpass the Concord as their skin is so tough. I heartily and sincerely thank you for sending me these grapes as I have long had a great desire to see them and I must say they are beyond my expectations.

Pierce Bechtle.

Ottumwa, Iowa, Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell’s Early grapes were duly received. To say I was pleased with it is not enough; I was delighted with its beautiful and fine quality. If it is as early as Moore’s Early it will soon take the place of that grape.

S. Park.

Perry, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell’s Early grapes received in good condition. It seems to be a very fine grape and must be an exceptionally good keeper as evidenced by being kept so long after its season.

Edmondson Bros.

Adel, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived on the 23rd inst. in perfect condition, not a berry cracked. The clusters are certainly very fine. The leaf looks like a true Labruscera yet the texture and high quality of the fruit marks distinctly the admixture of foreign blood. I am much pleased with the appearance and quality of this grape.

M. J. Graham.

Albia, Iowa, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes received this morning in excellent condition, fresh and crisp. Am well pleased with the appearance and quality of the fruit.

A. A. Mason.

Albion, Iowa, Oct. 6, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—I received the Campbell’s Early grapes in good order. Was highly pleased with them. Splendid looking grape, large size and good quality, and extra shipping quality. With what I have seen and heard of the grape now believe it better than any grape I have raised (more than one hundred varieties); I have had nothing but praise from all who have seen the grapes.

J. B. Cripps.

Charle’s City, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived day before yesterday. Considering the fact they had been transported nearly a thousand miles, we can say they arrived in prime condition, there was not a berry broken. We find them sweeter than Concord and believe their thick skin will prove of great value to men growing grapes for long shipment.

S. Sherman Nursery Co.

Shenandoah, Iowa, Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in the best of condition. I find them of good flavor, with few seeds, and taking into account their earliness, large size, fine color and shipping qualities, they certainly will prove a valuable acquisition to the list of grapes.

E. S. Welch.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in excellent condition and in view of the distance they travelled, proved themselves an excellent shipper. They are very fine in size, color and bloom, and are of fine flavor. The clusters too, are remarkable.

Fort Dodge, Iowa, Nov. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand in excellent condition showing the good shipping qualities and we kept specimens of them for three weeks through the hot weather without any special care aside from a few leaves in the house cellar. We found the pulp separated from the seed readily without the sour taste that other grapes get. It is high. We consider it a long step in advance as an early grape and long keeper and shipper.

Barfield & Haviland.

Waukee, Iowa, Sept. 21, 1897.

Dear Sir,—In justice to you will say the Campbell’s Early are the finest grapes that have come to our table this season. The fruit was as fine when received as the day it was put on the market. As the bunches are so firm and the berries adhere so admirably to the stem, it certainly will be a great shipper. It has just the kind of leaf that the market and the vineyardists of this country, The leaves are much firmer than the Worden or Moore’s Early, or in fact any of the Labrusca family. We bespeak for it great popularity.

J. Wragg & Sons Co.

Dubuque, Iowa, Nov. 11, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I consider the growth of the Campbell’s Early vines unusually strong for ordinary care and soil. Of several old varieties grown, none can compare in growth and vigor with Campbell’s Early.

W. H. Guflford & Son.

Dubuque, Iowa, Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grape vine grew four feet in length, of which three feet, two inches was ripe wood and the rest being touched by frost. The foliage was large and of a good healthy character.

F. W. Kramer.

Davenport, Iowa, Oct. 31, 1897.

Dear Sir,—No rain here this summer. At same time, the Campbell’s Early grape vine made a growth of six to seven feet.

Nichols & Lorton.

Le Mars, Iowa, Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grape vine I planted last spring had grown very well considering that two buds that started early in the spring, got broken off. Of course this was a great back-set to its growth but it started buds again after a time and has made a very fine growth. In fact it has done very much better than I expected it could do, after the loss of its first buds. We had so much dry, hot weather with lice which stopped the growth of some of our native plants but the Campbell’s Early survived it all and has done remarkably well.

Pierce Bechtle.

Shenandoah, Iowa, Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grape vine that you sent us made a growth of 3 to 4 feet the very first year. I could not plant it out until quite late and I presume it would have done better if it had been planted earlier in the season.

D. S. Lake.

Audubon, Iowa, Nov. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grape vine came in good shape and was properly planted and cared for and has made the finest of growth and ripened up its wood quite early, making the best growth of any I planted out of one thousand vines for permanent vineyard, and I feel confident that it will be all that is claimed for it.

E. N. Taggart.

Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir,—My young vines cf Campbell’s Early are models of health and vigor.

C. L. Watrous.

Perry, Iowa, Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell’s Early vine sent us last spring has made a very fine growth.

Edmondson Bros.

From Wallace’s Farmer and Dairyman, Des Moines, Oct. 1, 1897.

Geo. S. Josselyn, the widely known nurseryman of Fredonia, N. Y., starts an advertisement of his famous “Campbell’s Early” grape in this issue. Mr. Josselyn has also favored us with a sample basket of his grape, and it is certainly one of the most delicious tasting we have ever had the place to taste it. It is quite a large, black grape, sweet all the way through and juicy, and comes in large bunches. The grape was originated by Mr. Campbell of Delaware Co. and is a fine Concord, having been produced by different crosses from Hartford, Concord, Moore’s Early and several other varieties. It is a very dear to our people. We find it of much value to make it of much value to the raiser and raiser of Concord grape raisins and of the Concord grape raisins and of the Concord grape raisins and of the even condition, as it is very firm. The sample Wallaces’ Farmer enjoyed, after being shipped from New York and sitting in the office two days, still in excellent condition. Mr. J. will be pleased to send in information concerning this grape to all readers of Wallaces’ Farmer who write him. The Campbell grape is recommended very highly indeed by Eastern experiment stations and nurserymen. It is larger than the Concord, with a rougher skin so that it ships better.
Dear Mr. Wellington:

I urge that the grapes which you have on hand should be sent to your neighbors and friends, as they are splendidly well grown, and are in excellent condition. The flavor, quality, and size are all fine. We have sampled your grapes, and can say that they are the finest we have seen.

The compact, Streaming, Eureka, and Campbell's Early are excellent, and we recommend them to the superintendents of all the vineyards of the United States. In fact, they are the finest grapes we have seen this season. We have received a large number of shipments of grapes, and have yet to see a grape which even approaches the quality of yourEs. We are glad to state that we have sent all the grapes we can safely send to you, and we hope that you will be satisfied with your order.

Yours truly,

[Signature]

H. F. Hart

[Address]
Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. I kept some of them, and they were perfect. I distributed them among some of our local grape growers who had never seen the fruit before. It was the unanimous opinion that Campbell's Early grapes were the finest of all those which were tasted. The fruit is very large, the skin just a shade tough. They were the most delicious grape I ever ate.

H. L. Boyd.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes arrived in my absence and were in fine shape when I returned. I think they are a remarkable grape.

J. A. Ramsburg.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes were received yesterday in good condition. I think without any doubt, they are the finest variety I have ever seen.

H. M. Quincey.

Dear Sir,—This grape strikes us as one of the most excellent and valuable dark early fruit and one which for size cannot be equaled. The bunches are very compact and the grape impresses us as one which has kept its qualities. We have tasted the best and altogether we consider that your claims as to the general good qualities of this grape are well founded.

The Shady Hill Nursery Co.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came duly and were much appreciated by us all. Judging from this sample of fruit and the growth of the young vines, we bought 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 market grape for N. E. N. England cultivation. We have been looking for a black grape as early as Moore's Early and of better quality with the production of vines, vigour and freedom from disease of Concord and if you have found these qualities in the newcomer, it will be of great value to the grape growers of the country and especially to those of New England. About thirty days from the young men tested the contents of the basket and pronounced the grapes very fine.

S. T. Maynard, (Prof. of Horticulture.)

Dear Sir:—We thank you for Campbell's Early grapes sent us. The fruit is large, of very fine appearance and of delicious flavor. We have tasted nothing finer this season and bespeak for the variety great popularity.

R. J. Farquhar & Co.

Dear Sir:—I have tested the Campbell's Early grapes and find them very fine, black in color, skin tough enough to keep and ship later than the Concord, berries adhere firmly to the peduncle which will prevent them shaking off when the stem is dry. I compared them today with Moore's Early. It will take a week or ten days for Moore's Early to be as ripe as Campbell's Early, or today and the Campbell's Early must have been picked over a week ago. I refer to men that there must be a large place among grape growers for Campbell's Early grape.

George Cruickshanks.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came duly and having been tested by all hands in office and house, is pronounced by all, the best black outdoor grape we have yet seen.

O. K. Gerrish.

Plymouth, Mass., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in fine condition. The clusters were very large and the fruit of a large fine looking one. It should make a good grape to ship.

T. R. Watson.

Reading, Mass., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in good condition and hung firmly to the clusters. They were taken to one of our County Fairs and tested by some of our judges and visitors and everyone was very much pleased with them.

Jacob W. Manning.


Dear Sir:—The buncbes of Campbell's Early are quite large and firm (solid) ensuring safe carriage. The berries, also, are extra large. The firm pulp dissolves readily in the mouth and is of a mild, sweet, slightly sold flavor. Four of the five berries first tasted had only one seed each while the other one had three seeds.

J. W. Adams & Co.

West Medway, Mass., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in good order! It shows extra good shipping qualities by coming these hundred miles in such good order subjected to the rough handling of expressmen. As a table grape it ranks with our best hybrid grapes, far superior to the Concord. One can eat his fill of them, press cut and reject the seeds without making his tongue sore as most other native grapes do. I have great confidence that it will make a great acquisition to growers of early grapes who have suffered as I have from the wholesale cracking and waste after heavy rains of such varieties as Concord. It is more suited for those who want a hard, firm, health, vigor and hardiness and much superior otherwise. In short I believe it to be the coming business grape and I shall plant it a substitute for those ones. It undoubtedly is the latest and grandest triumph of the hybridizer's art and unborn millions of people will yet live to bless the name of George W. Campbell for his skilful and persevering efforts for its production.

E. A. Adams.
Fitchburg, Mass., Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine you sent me was slow in starting but made a good growth.

Geo. Cruckshank.

Malden, Mass., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early vines I bought of you last spring have grown finely. They are now about five feet high, looking well.

Joseph S. Chase.

From the American Cultivator, Boston, Oct. 2, 1897.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.

We have seen some specimen baskets of Campbell's Early grapes, from one year old vines, planted in the year 1896, the present being the first year bearing. Fruit from these vines, but 20 months planted out, was shown at the annual exhibit of the Chautauqua Horticultural Society, in September, 1896. The clusters are very fine, are fully as early as Moore's Early, of good size, not liable to crack, which was always a defect in Moore's Early, free from mildew, and of exceptionally good, firm shipping quality. The berry is of large size, of a glossy black color, with a beautiful blue bloom, pulp sweet and juicy, free from foxiness, with seeds small and few in number. Those who have tasted this vine say the wine is of robust, vigorous habit of growth, the buds having stood a temperature of 18 degrees below zero without injury. The leaves of a large and graceful size. It seems to be an early market grape of the first quality, and by its earliness will extend the grape-marketing season. This fine early black grape was originated by Geo. W. Campbell of Delaware, O., but is now raised to perfection by George S. Josselyn, the well-known nurseryman of Fredonia, N. Y., who has planted a vineyard of this grape. Mr. Josselyn proposes to push the new Campbell grape into public favor, and has control of all the vines of this valuable variety. We predict success in its introduction and sale.

From the Massachusetts Ploughman, Boston, Oct. 2, 1897.

CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.

We received Sept. 23, from Geo. S. Josselyn of Fredonia, N. Y., a sample of this excellent new variety of grape originated by Geo. W. Campbell of Delaware, O. It is a cross between the Hartford, Concord, Moore's Early, through Muscat-Hamburg, by careful selection of the best seedlings. The berries are larger than the Concord with about the same color and bloom; the flavor is excellent and the juice very sweet, the pulp being very firm and the skin thin. It is claimed to be as early as Moore's. The bunches are of good size, the grapes grown on vines one year old, planted in 1896, i.e., three years from the cutting. This grape seems to be a valuable addition to our new fruits, and is no less advantageous, with the descriptive send-off that Mr. Josselyn is giving it that it will prove profitable both to him and to those who buy it.


CAMPBELL'S GRAPES.

George S. Josselyn, Fredonia, N. Y., the introducer of Campbell's Early grapes, sends the "New England Farmer" a basket of the same. These were from year old vines planted in 1895, so that this is their first bearing year. The clusters are large and perfect in size and shape. This grape is a descendant of the Concord, produced by different crosses from Hartford and Moore's Early, through Muscat-Hamburg, showing the hardiest and healthiest hybrids for success. The clusters are very fine and large, that it is as early as Moore's Early, of good size, not liable to crack, free from mildew, of sound firm shipping quality, a vigorous growth, of superior answers, with pulp sweet and juicy, and seeds small, few in number, and readily parting from the pulp.

From the North River Pioneer, Hanover, Mass., Oct. 1, 1897.

The finest grapes we have ever tasted are a new variety called the Campbell. George S. Josselyn, of Fredonia, N. Y., sent a sample basket to one of our local orchardists, and it was pronounced the finest flavored ever shown in this vicinity. Mr. Josselyn was a Hanover boy, and now owns the largest establishment, as raisers of vines and small fruits, in the state.

MINNESOTA.

Eureka, Minn., Oct. 5, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in fine condition and it will be a pleasure to them. I have never tasted so fine a grape. I have sent some of them to cold storage and will exhibit them at our winter horticultural meeting.

C. W. Simpson.

Fairmont, Minn., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came due. As to size, they are large both in bunch and berry. As to quality, very good for an early grape and I should think would prove a good market grape.

D. P. Sackett.

Hokah, Minn., Sept. 27, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes in good condition. You certainly have a wonderful grape in this variety. It is all you claim it to be. I think it much better than any black grape I have ever tasted.

Geo. J. Hoffman.

Lakes City, Minn., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes in excellent condition. Found them to be large compact bunches, excellent in quality, and they must prove a valuable acquisition for the Northwest.

Afterwards, with the grapes, we sent the basket to A. W. Latham, Secretary of the State Horticultural Society. He handled the head of our famous early grape. He writes: "The Campbell's Early grapes are here and are simply immense. Minnesota wants this grape if it is early."

J. M. Undriedwood, President.

Lakesville, Minn., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Friend:—The Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in fine condition and are worthy to be crowned King of Grapes. In beauty, sweetness and flavor they have no peer and in searching for words to express our delight, we rest on the fact that Geo. S. Josselyn as the introducer is enough to give it rank with the very best of all.

F. M. Kilbourne.

Hugo, Minn., Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Regarding the Campbell's Early grape vine, I am glad to report that it has made a growth of six feet six inches and promises to be a model of vine growth. Although it came a long journey and had a cold backward spring to grow in. In it commenced to grow in a day or two after it was in the ground and has kept right on ever since.

A. G. Wilcox.

Eureka, Minn., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine received from you last spring made a very vigorous growth indeed. I never had a one year old vine look so well or produce much fruit with the growth of vines and also the grapes as to quality, flavor, &c. I have been very much pleased with the Campbell's Early grape and the first baskets we have had have been much better than the second and third.

Geo. W. Latham, Secretary.

Lakes City, Minn., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The one year old Campbell's Early vines purchased of you last spring have made a very vigorous growth.

The Jewell Nursery Co.,
J. M. Underwood, President.

From The Minnesota Horticulturist. November, 1897, by A. W. Latham, Secretary.

THE CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.

A basket of specimen bunches of this new seedling grape came to this office late in September. This variety originated with Geo. W. Campbell of Delaware, Ohio, some years since. The fruit has much to recommend it. The bunches received are medium sized, of cylindrical shape and not shoulders. The berry is jet black and one-half larger than the Concord. It adheres well to the stem, even when, as is the case of those received, the stem is withered. The skin is tough and will evidently bear much handling. The pulp is sweet and rich to the very core. To my taste the flavor is much better than that of Roger's No. 44, strongly marked with the nutty flavor of Moore's Early, and a leaf accompanying it bears a marked resemblance in color and texture to those of the latter variety. This grape has much to commend it, and if it proves as early and productive as is claimed for it, it will be a very valuable acquisition to the list of fruits for the Northwest. It would at once take the place of Moore's Early, which is of little value because of its sterility.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were received in good condition and I have shown them to several of my friends who all spoke in high terms of them. I was afraid to handle the plants before seeing the fruit but I am now satisfied that they will give universal satisfaction.

R. B. Owen.

Battle Creek, Mich., Oct. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:—It is with pleasure I speak of Campbell’s Early grape, sold by Geo. S. Jossey, of Fredonia, N. Y. The grape is one that recommends itself wherever it is known and merits the praise that has been so freely given it. It is a superbly act-

merely a fancy variety, but I believe it is destined to become one of our reliable standards. The strong and hardy nature of the vine insures it a home in all grape growing sections where the unsurpassed quality of the fruit is in its favor. The clusters are large and symmetrical, berries very large, of a glossy black color, flavor very fine.

A. W. Kelly, Ph. D.

Vicksburg, Mich., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received. Qualities and size of fruit unsurpassed and is certainly a most valuable acquisition.

The Vicksburg Nursery Co.

Dear Sir:—We think the Campbell’s Early grape delicious So different from the many varieties grown on our place, we like the spicy flavor very much and believe that many will appreciate the tough skin, as it will make it a good keeper.

H. W. Geer.


Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in extra good condition notwithstanding the warm weather since you shipped them. I am glad to say it is a much better all around grape than I expected it to find, in fact it is a “James Diddy”—no doubt about it.

J. B. Boyd.

Coldwater, Mich., Oct. 12, 1897.

Friend Jossey:—The Campbell’s Early grapes came in prime condition. I desire to say right here that they surpass all my anticipations or expectations in every way, especially in quality which, in the opinion of everyone here, excels any black variety known and in tenderness of pulp surpasses all others. I believe it the coming grape for the millions. All hail to Campbell’s Early grape!

J. M. Rawson.

Adrian, Mich., Oct. 13, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in good condition. I think the quality is good and very large clusters for an early grape.

C. F. Gustin.

Adrian, Mich., Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in good condition and we consider it an extra good grape.

Spelman Bros.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 24, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—I have received the Campbell’s Early grapes. The berries and clusters are indeed of good size, I consider this quality equal to Concord or a little better. The seeds being so very small for such a large grape, is a big point in its favor. I believe it will be a grand grape to ship.

Jacob Cazenhorn.


Dear Sir:—The “Campbell’s Early” came to hand in splendid order, were univerally admired and I heard nothing but favorable comments. A Committee of the members of the Michigan State Agricultural Society have recommended a diploma.

R. D. Graham.

Superintendent of Horticulture.

Shelbyville, Mich., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in fine condition, hardly one being detached from the stem, some specimens measuring one inch in diameter, bunches large, compact, color black with heavy bloom, pulp fine and sweet to the tooth, seeds very small. Have some in my planters from this writing, four weeks after receiving them, which are in fine condition.

Geo. N. Dean.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were a treat, quality best, flavor good, cluster immense, I think they would be an A No. 1 shipper. I do not see how it could be better.

O. A. E. Baldwin.
Dear Sir,—We received the Campbell's Early grapes and were very much pleased with them. We are very much inter- 
rested in fruit culture, but have nothing in your 
vineyard from the earliest grape to the latest, that in our esti- 
mation, compares with the Campbell's Early in flavor, size of 
berry, and shipping qualities. The Michigan Nursery Co.

Monroe, Mich., Nov. 1, 1897,

Ann Arbor, Mich., Nov. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes were received just 
in time for our county fair and placed on exhibition to the ad- 
miration of all. I thought I would test their keeping qualities 
for which purpose I have planted a small place. Looked at them a 
few weeks later and found them in excellent condition, but the 
other day when I went to examine them, I found the empty 
baskets but no grapes. Some body evidently came to my 
Campbell's Early. From what I did see and taste I have no doubt it has a 
promising future.

W. F. Bird.

Adrian, Mich., Nov. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape vine you sent us 
last spring made a growth of about seven feet.

Spiesel Bros. 

Wixom, Mich., Nov. 13, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape vine has made a 
strong growth.

W. C. Wixom.


Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape vine we planted last 
season has done finely. It made a strong growth and has a 
healthy appearance although we gave it very little care.

L. G. Bragg & Co.

Monroe, Mich., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape vine which we 
received and set out last spring, making a wonderful growth, 
is to our knowledge, one of the most thriving vines that can 
be grown. The foliage is immense.

The Michigan Nursery Co.

South Haven, Mich., Oct. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early vines which we 
received and set out last spring, making a wonderful growth, 
is to our knowledge, one of the most thriving vines that can 
be grown.

T. T. Lyon.

From the Michigan Farmer, Detroit, Oct. 8, 1897.

A NEW GRAPE.—THE CAMPBELL.

The Michigan Fruit Grower is in receipt of a basket 
of grapes from Geo. S. Jesselyn of Fredonia, N. Y. which 
command more than passing attention. It is 
comparatively a new grape to Michigan growers. The 
clusters are large and perfect in size and shape, re- 
sembling the Salem or Agawam for size, with a flavor 
similar to the former. It is a descendant of the 
Concord, produced by different crosses from Hartford and 
Moore's Early, using the hardiest and healthiest hy-
brids for so-called superior use. Has claimed 
Mr. Jesselyn that this variety is as early as Moore's Early, not 
liable to crack, free from mildew, good shippers and vigorous 
growers, the color is blue with pulp somewhat 
juicy—seeds small and few in number, readily parting from 
pulp. The grapes sent were from year old vines 
planted last year, this being their first bearing year.

Mr. Geo. W. Campbell of Ohio was asked to tell the 
American Pomological Society at their late meeting 
about this new grape. He was evidently too modest 
to wish to speak of one of his own products, but in 
difference to those who urged him to do so he said he 
considered it the triumph of his life, in the way of new 
fruits. It had been bred in hope of getting an early 
grape which should equal the great Concord in all re-
pects, and it excelled in earliness and quality. This he 
had accomplished after forty years of crossing and test-
ing. Ripening two weeks before Concord, bolder in 
quality, larger in bunch and berry, tougher in skin, 
and the seeds easily separating from the pulp, together 
with having a deep black color, make it clearly the best 
grape for general cultivation he has seen. Samples of 
the fruit were passed among the audience for critical 
examination.

1897.

AN EXCELLENT GRAPE.

The N. A. H. is in receipt of a sample of Campbell's 
Early grape, sent us by the introducer, Mr. George S. 
Jesselyn of Fredonia, N. Y. Unlike most early grapes 
the berries hang to the stems with great tenacity, and that 
to when this good point is added the large size of 
berry, firmness, quality and compact clusters a market 
grape of exceptional merit is produced. The variety 
remembers the word's somewhat in appearance, but we 
consider it superior in many ways. It has a soft 
flavor not unlike the Agawam, which makes it very agreeable for a table fruit.

From the Allegan Gazette, Allegan, Mich., Oct. 16, 1897.

THE CAMPBELL'S EARLY GRAPE.

Reference was made last week, in another depart- 
ment, to a quotation from the Gazette, regarding 
Campbell Early grapes from Hon. T. T. Lyon of South 
Haven. Mr. Lyon requested the opinion of the 
Gazette on the quality of this new candidate for 
fruit growers' approval. We can, of course, only 
spoke of the quality of the fruit, not having had occa- 
sion to see the vines or to know anything more of 
the virtues of the variety that is represented by this 
propagator. The bunches of grapes as we received 
them were in most perfect condition, of a glossy black color 
ripeened weeks ago. The bunches were long in form, 
slightly shoulders, well filled with large, black berries 
having a thick pulp. Extremely strong flavored, the 
bunch to compact mass. These qualities would 
seem to indicate that these grapes can be kept a long 
time and shipped long distances in good condition. The 
pulp is sweet, abundant; bearing few seeds which separate freely from it, and has a taste 
in the center. The flavor is peculiarly agreeable, and we 
know of no grape in the entire list of those grown in this state that has such a good flavor and is known 
that are its equal. It seems as though the Campbell 
Early is sure to supplant the standard black varieties in 
very great degree. Acquainted with it is all that is 
required to create a brisk demand.

From the Grand Rapids Herald, Grand Rapids, Oct. 4, 1897.

NEW VARIETY OF GRAPE.

J. M. Dean of Sweet Street Thinks This Leads All.

J. M. Dean of No. 116 Sweet street has received 
samples of a new variety of grape known as "Camp-
bell's Early Grape," which he thinks is the coming 
grape. Mr. Dean is one of the most successful 
Campbell grape growers in Michigan, and he is very enthusiastic over 
this particular variety. The grape is, bish as to cluster 
and berry of large size, of a glossy black color 
with a beautiful blue bloom; pulp sweet and juicy, free 
from foxiness, seeds small, few in number and part 
readily from pulp. For those who do not swallow 
grape seeds, this variety will be a great favorite.

MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi Experiment Station, 

Agricultural Journal, Oct. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes that you sent last 
season have made a growth of about seven feet and appears 
to be a healthy vigorous variety.

J. S. Moor.

MISSOURI.

Bushburg, Mo., Oct. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Your welcome basket of Campbell's Early grapes 
reached me a week ago. 'tis condition. I am proud to have 
been, more than three years ago, among the first who recog-
nized and extolled the great merits of this wonderful 
variety and I could not add now anything to what I said then in 
my last edition of the Bushburg Grape Manual, except that I 
congratulate the originator, dear Mr. Geo. W. Campbell and 
Mr. Jesselyn for their merit in its continued success. Its long 
keeping and good shipping qualities are really marvelous and 
unequalled by any other variety, old or new; and not withstanding 
the depreciation of all values, I still believe it is and will be 
the most profitable grape to grow for the future in this blessed 
country of ours.

It is too old and weak to express my hope and opinion from 
any ashlith standpoint, yet all I know can influence, I shall 
advise to plant and grow as many of your Campbell's Early as 
they possibly can. It is the best of all American grapes, the 
grape of the future. With kind regards.

J. L. Bushburg, 
Author of the Bushburg Grape Manual.

Bluffton, Mo., Sept. 26, 1897.

Friend Jesselyn: There is more to use in going into a long 
detail about the merits of Campbell's Early grape. A grape 
larger in bunch and berry than the Concord and of superior 
quality, with the advantage over the earlier introduced 
that variety, is enough to establish its reputation throughout 
the land. It will be an excellent shipper and can be kept long 
after ripe.

Samuel Miller.
New Haven, Mo., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand several days ago. It is the finest thing we have seen for a good while. Large bunches and every bunch perfect and of excellent quality. In our opinion, it will merit the wide recognition it doubtless will attain at your hands.

New Haven Nurseries.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were received in fine condition and were pronounced by all that tasted them, to be of very fine quality, bunches compact and as sound as if just cut from the vines, skin thin but tough. We think it a very valuable grape indeed.

H. J. Weber & Son.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in good condition. Bunch and berry large and fine. In short, Campbell’s Early is a superb grape both in flavor, appearance.

E. L. Mason.

Warrnaburg, Mo., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell’s Early grapes in perfect condition and considering the size of bunch and size of berry, we thought it the nicest we ever saw and hope we will find that it succeeds well here with us.

L. Mohler & Bro.

Dear Sir:—On my arrival yesterday from a trip West, I received the Campbell’s Early grape you sent me by express the 21st ult., and to my surprise, found every cluster in perfect condition. The clusters and all the early grapes we have yet seen and if the vine is as hardy, healthy and productive as is claimed for it, it will in my judgment soon become the leading early market grape.

C. H. Kessler.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes in fine condition. I think it a most remarkable grape.

Moore’s Early and to be in good condition the last of September. The quality is all that can be desired. All who have seen and tasted pronounced it fine.

Westport, Mo., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early kept almost a week in good condition in a warm room. All that tasted were delighted with the flavor.

G. Long.

Station "B," St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell’s Early grapes yesterday in excellent condition. The fruit is very fine, and the color which impressed us was the very thick skin. It certainly will be an excellent shipping grape. The bunches are full, grapes large and quality good. The seeds parting so easily from the pulp is certainly a great point in its favor. It is as much superior to Concord as wine to water.

Schatte & Czarowski.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in fine condition. The fruit is very large and also the bunches.

C. Young & Sons Co.

Springfield, Mo., Oct. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received from you in the fall of 1896, one Campbell’s Early grape vine with others, and planted the same in spring of 1897, in a plot with seventeen other varieties (one hundred and fifty vines). At this writing, the Campbell’s Early is by far the largest vine, all being worked and treated alike. The season was very dry.
Dear Sir:—My Campbell’s Early vines planted last spring did fine.

C. F. Rueggseger.

Bluffton, Mo., Sept. 26, 1897.
Dear Sir:—I do not regret my investment in Campbell’s Early grape vines last spring. They have grown wonderfully and I expect some fruit from them next season.

Samuel Miller

Pattonville, Mo., Sept. 30, 1897.
Dear Sir: My vine of Campbell’s Early has made only a fair growth this season, owing to the unprecedented drought that we have had this summer and fall.

G. Long.

From Coleman’s Rural World, St. Louis, Oct. 7, 1897:
Campbell’s Early grapes is a seedling that we had heard much of but had not seen until last week, when we went grape hounding. Geo. S. Josselyn, of Fredonia, N. Y., the journal is able to pass an opinion as to its merits, and has no hesitation in endorsing all that has been claimed for it. It has an agreeable flavor, with large berry, and sweet juicy pulp. The skin is firm and tough, which makes the grape a good shipper, and consequent a useful addition to our already established varieties.

MONTANA.

Bozeman, Mont., Nov. 15, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early fruit came in remarkable condition and was preserved fully two weeks after receipt. The Campbell’s Early grape vine has thrown out two shoots, one three and one-half feet long, the second two feet long of strong, healthy, vigorous habit. I consider this remarkably fine considering that in this altitude (4793 feet) grapes do not do at all well.

S. M. Emery, Director, Montana Exp. Station.

NEBRASKA.

Fairbury, Neb., Oct. 20, 1897.
Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand Sept. 24 in excellent condition. Did not find a damaged berry in the lot which is certainly remarkable. Gained some of the fruit to Mr. O. C. Burch and also to Mr. C. M. Hulburt and we all pronounce them of superior quality. You certainly have a valuable market grape.

J. A. Gage.

Arlington, Neb., Sept. 28, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in good condition. We think the quality good; berries and bunch large as we expected.

Marshall Bros.

York, Neb., Sept. 25, 1897.
Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes grown in fine shape. We can say they are the finest grapes we have seen this season. If they will stand this climate they will be the early grape for us.

C. F. Rueggseger.

Brownsville, Neb., Oct. 1, 1897.
Dear Sir:—I have a few vines of Campbell’s Early grape which have fruited and please me.

Robt. W. Furnas.

Tecumseh, Neb., Oct. 1, 1897.
Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in first class condition. To say that I am pleased with it is putting it mildly, I wish I had ten thousand vines in a vineyard. It is a splendid grape and its tough skin, tender pulp, earliness and keeping qualities, makes it the most valuable grape in existence today.

A. Geiser.

Fremont, Neb., Sept. 28, 1897.
Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes received. The grapes are very fine and came through in nice shape. I think they will be quite an acquisition to the grape list if they will stand the West.

B. E. Fields.

Tecumseh, Neb., Sept. 25, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The grapes received in best possible condition, not a berry injured or defective. From the description I have read I was not prepared to see so fine a grape in Campbell’s Early. I believe it is destined to take the lead as an early grape, if not for all seasons on account of its keeping as well as other good qualities.

R. N. Day.

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 25, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. This is certainly a valuable market grape owing to its quality, size and firmness.

J. M. Russell & Co.

Genera, Neb., Sept. 30, 1897.
Dear Sir:—It came very convenient for us to take the sample of Campbell’s Early grapes to the State Fair and we saw to it that every fruit man there sampled the grapes. Every man expressed himself very highly pleased with the quality of the fruit and its general appearance.

Youngers & Co.

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 27, 1897.
Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes reached me in perfect condition. I took the fruit with me to the Nebraska State Fair where it was submitted to the judges labeling it a very large bearing and superior grower of Nebraska and Western Iowa and seen by thousands of others. The reception given the grape by the most critical is very favorable. Its appearance equal to the best California fruit. We like the freedom with which it parts from the seeds and the tough skin which insures good shipping quality. I can cordially recommend it, as I believe it a distinct advance on former varieties.

H. F. McIntosh, Publisher, The Cultivator.

Fairbury, Neb., Nov. 6, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand all right. After coming a distance of over a thousand miles, they were in remarkably good shape. The berries are very large and quality as good as the best.

Carl Sondersager.

Arlington, Neb., Nov. 5, 1897.
Dear Sir:—We must say that we had a very dry season here; extremely dry for this part of the state, which rendered it very unfavorable for transplanting vines, yet the Campbell’s Early made a rapid growth of two feet while the Coates plant died at the same time and along side of Campbell’s Early, all died during the extreme dry hot weather of August. In an ordinary season and with average care, we think the Campbell’s Early would make a very strong vigorous growth with us.

Marshall Bros.

Fairbury, Neb., Nov. 6, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine has made a very good vigorous growth, very being three shoots of about four feet each in length. I shall cover two of them this fall while the third one I will leave uncovered to test the hardiness of the vine.

Carl Sondersager.

Grand Island, Neb., Nov. 20, 1897.
Dear Sir:—My Campbell’s Early grape vine he made as seven foot growth. It has been very dry here this summer. The other vines did well. Out of the 262 vines you sent me last spring, all grow but six, I am very well pleased.

J. E. Moden.

Tecumseh, Neb., Oct. 1, 1897.
Dear Sir:—The two Campbell’s Early vines I bought of you last spring have done finely.

A. Geiser.

From Notes on Nebraska State Fair in Cultivator, Oct. 1, 1897:
The collection of grapes made a notable exhibit, both in number of varieties, number of plates, and quality. There were not far from 300 plates on exhibition. They included all the standard varieties, and the leading new sort, “Campbell’s Early”, now being introduced by George S. Josselyn, Fredonia, N. Y., and which has been pronounced upon because of its large size, earliness and shipping quality.
NEW JERSEY.

Nutley, N. J., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received Campbell's Early grapes in good order and have tested them very carefully. I have had some experience in grapes, for up to the time of 1883 I grew a large number of varieties and two years in succession was awarded ten premiums each, five being first premiums each year. I also took two first premiums at the New York Horticultural Society in New York. I have grown in Bermuda, over thirty varieties and I think I have found plenty of grape growing in France, Italy and Turkey so that I know a good many varieties. For my opinion of the Campbell's Early. I think it ought, if it continues to behave well, to knock all other black varieties out. I do not see any use for the Concord, &c., as there is no mistake about Campell's Early growing. It has made a heavy cane with me, twice as long. I feel certain that Campbell's Early can be grown in this section. I have let a number of people taste it and they all pronounce it good and far superior to the Concord as I think too. We have had a very trying summer this year, twenty-five inches of rain during July and August, so that mildew has got a good start and it has given all varieties a severe test. I found that Campbell's Early, Esther, Brilliant, Cynthia, Lady Washington, Jefferson, Early Victor and Green Mountain were not affected at all, while Empire State, Rockwood, Eumelan and Downing onl had a slight touch of it, Iona a little and several others went to pieces. J. Hart.

Bridgeton, N. J., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received. They are very fine.

Joseph Burt.

So. Seaville, N. J., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived today, being over four days since shipped. The stems of the bunches show they have been ripe some time as they are quite dry but the grapes adhere well to the stems and do not crack. The size of berries is very large, has few seeds, tender flesh, not sappy as the least.

S. T. Hillman.

Manahawkin, N. J., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in good condition and were highly appreciated.

D. Baird & Son.

Parry, N. J., Oct. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in excellent condition. Bunch and berry large, black with slight bloom, pulp juicy and sweet with no unpleasantness, seeds small and readily extracted. The large, thick, luxuriant appearance of the leaf indicate a vigorous, healthy plant free from mildew or constitutional weakness. We were very much pleased with it.

Perry's Pomona Nurseries.

Elizabeth, N. J., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in fine condition. We are very much pleased with the grape in every respect. The Elizabeth Nursery Co.

Bridgeport, N. J., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes in fine condition. The bunches were very compact and firm with a peculiar flavor that I liked. Then it being so near seedless is very much in its favor.

R. D. Cole.

New Brunswick, N. J., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes came in good condition. It is a splendid grape and bunches have been thought to be wonderfully large, magnificent! The color is good, quality very good. The seeds are few and separate easily from the pulp. We think it a long stride forward among our native grapes.

Edwin Allen & Son.

Vineland, N. J., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes some days ago and unhesitatingly pronounced them a very fine flavored grape. It is a new variety and I think must prove a great acquisition to the grape growing fraternity.

Ellis & Sons.

Athenia, N. J., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes at hand in perfect condition. I have over sixty varieties in my vineyard. After sampling the Campbell's Early I place it at the head. One of the clusters sent measured ten and one-half inches in length and was a long and profuse ripening. This grape will knock out the appendicitis scare as the pulp is sweet and tender to the center.

T. C. Kevitt.


Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received in best condition, I think this new variety will be a valuable addition to the already large list of varieties of grapes.

Jno. S. Collins.

Springfield, N. J., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—On our return home we find your basket of Campbell's Early grapes. We thank you for your sample and find the fruit at this late date still in excellent condition.

Fleming & Felmy.

Hightstown, N. J., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We would say of the Campbell's Early grape that it is the best very early grape that we have ever seen. It does not show easily like many others and it is a splendid shipper, not cracking or crushing from its own weight. We have found this to be a serious fault with some of our best grapes and we congratulate you on having such a superior grape and one with such a good flavor and sweet.

Jos. H. Black, Son & Co.

Elizabeth, N. J., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I thank you for the opportunity of seeing the fruit of Campbell's Early grape which is of excellent quality. The bunch is large and sweet and the bunch above medium size. I should judge its shipping qualities would be unsurpassed (mine came to hand in good condition) and the quality and appearance ought to make it a good market variety.

H. T. Jones.

Moorestown, N. J., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes to hand in good order. They are a fine grape.

Arthur J. Collins.

Montclair, N. J., Nov. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—My Campbell's Early grape vine has made a very fine growth. I am well pleased with it and expect to fruit it next season. The two Campbell's Early grape vines Mr. Corby got of you have made a much stronger growth than mine, his ground being much richer than mine. The wood has ripened up fine which is a good deal to say for this season as our season here has been cold, wet and dry: the first part being cold and wet, then came a hot dry spell July set in, with twenty-one days of rain, twenty-six inches fell, eight inches for August. I got my cane up to top of trellis, six feet high, they were clipped at that height by Mr. Corby's. I grew over eight feet and his canes are stronger than mine.


Vineland, N. J., Nov. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Our Campbell's Early grape vine received from you last spring has grown four feet six inches in height with strong wood, no extra manuring given and planted between old vines. It will have some grapes for next season.

Henry G. Hoffmeyer.

Trenton, N. J., Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine which I got last spring of you has grown about twenty-five or thirty feet of wood. I feel very proud of it.

George Larson.

Nutley, N. J., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—My vine of Campbell's Early grapes bears a heavy cane twelve feet long, with perfectly healthy foliage.

J. Hart.
Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine was slow in starting in the spring, but it has made an excellent growth through the season, one cane was little, another a little less, I have not noticed any disease and the fruit is large and well ripened.


BUFFALO, N. Y., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The quality of the Campbell's Early grape is really fine, I like the flavor better than any grape I have tasted in a long time. The berries are good size, cling well to the stem, the pulp sweet and very agreeable. I have tasted a great many varieties, but none more agreeable than this. It is a splendid shipper.


BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine in excellent condition. The clusters are large and well formed, berries large, color and quality good. Shows good shipping qualities. If this vine shows as many good points as the fruit, you certainly have an excellent grape.

Geo. H. Hook.
Lockport, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Friend,—The Campbell's Early grapes were most delicious. I think they are the finest grapes I ever ate.

P. H. Tuohy.

Medina, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I think Campbell's Early is the finest early grape that I ever ate.

D. Bogie.

Middle Hope, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—By an oversight we did not get the Campbell's Early grapes from the express office (where they arrived Sept. 23) till last evening. The fruit was in perfect condition and is a magnificent show grape. Our friends pronounce the quality excellent. Owing to illness, I have not been allowed even to feel a particle of fruit of any kind all the season so I did not taste a grape.

Last spring we secured and set a few vines of this variety that are doing well.

W. D. Barns.

150 Broadway, New York City, N. Y., Sept. 21, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. The size and compactness of the bunch would seem to indicate great bearing qualities of the vine and the remarkably firm texture of the pulp must give this grape unusual value for shipping.

Fred W. Kelsey.

North Collins, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir: From the size of bunch and berry combined with its unusual fine quality, we come to no other conclusion than that you have in Campbell's Early, the best—the very best—early black grape ever introduced. If productive, as no doubt it is, it will prove a very good variety for the market, and as a place not filled by any other early variety. E. Willett & Son.

Norwich, N. Y., Oct. 11, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes are certainly fine. I have waited somewhat to test the keeping qualities of Campbell's Early and today we have some of them that had kept all this time and were better than when first received.

N. S. Hull.

No. Urbana, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in splendid shape. I found them to be of first class quality, clinging to the stem well, sweet to the center and of very fine appearance. I think it would stand shipping better than the Concord as it has a thicker skin. I showed them to several of our best fruit growers and they all pronounced them first class.

E. F. Gleason.

Palmyra, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir.—Accept our thanks for the Campbell's Early grapes. We received them just in time for our Agricultural Fair and they took first prize. They were sampled by some good judges of grapes and pronounced No. 1 in every way. They were as firm as Damon plums and with their extreme earliness, indestructible skin and delicious taste probably surely have something better than Klondike in Campbell's Early grape.

Allyn Bros.

Palmyra, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in perfect order, not a grape being detached from the six bunches I received. This variety 'fills the bill' with me. I have long looked for a luscious, mazy, early grape of large size and compact bunch. As such Campbell's Early is superior to any early sort I have ever seen or tasted.

A. M. Purdy.

Penn Yan, N. Y., Sept. 26, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes in good condition. They were well ripened and I consider it a grape of much merit.

J. O. Rupert.

Plattsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—After a long journey the Campbell's Early grapes appeared as fresh as if handed in by a neighbor. By far the best shipper I ever saw. Bunches very large for such young vines. In quality will rank with the best, and if hardy, in my opinion will be the most successful grape ever introduced.

J. M. Lavigne.

Pratt's Hollow, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The grapes arrived in excellent condition. We think the quality of the Campbell's Early very fine. They excel all other early varieties in some points, viz.: size of bunch and toughness of skin.

C. T. Pearson.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us in excellent condition and we wish to state that they are of the very first quality.

Allen Nursery Co.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes in splendid condition. We consider the earliness of ripening as very strong point in their favor and also they have the desirable quality of leaving a good top growth of young fruit for another crop, and always wish for more. We would not hesitate to recommend them to our customers, as we would some new varieties of the market.

Thomas W. Bowman & Son.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1897.

Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us yesterday. We are free to say that it is the finest grape we have seen in a long time and are very much pleased both with its appearance and quality. It is doubtless destined to become a standard variety.

Brown Brothers Company.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect order. It is large and handsome and will doubtless prove a valuable early variety.

Elhwanger & Barry.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We acknowledge receipt of Campbell's Early in perfect condition and we think we should be safe in saying they were capable of making a very much longer journey and still arriving in perfect condition. The quality is O. K.; the grape is magnificent.

Glen Brothers.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Thanks for basket of Campbell's Early grapes which came in fine condition. This is a hardy grape of the Concord type, very productive, bearing large bunches of large, hard, firm fruit of a very good quality which will stand shipping perfectly well.

Chas. A. Green.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received yesterday and we consider it a very fine grape, one of the best we have ever seen.

The Hawks Nursery Co.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The splendid Campbell's Early grapes received. We desire to express our admiration of this fine grape. We were particularly struck by the beauty of the clusters; the large size and firmness of the berries. In quality we should consider it superior to the Concord, but we have not seen a grape which stood up so well and which appeared to stand shipping as well as the Campbell's Early. We are very glad to have this opportunity to test the grape and we shall feel less hesitation in pushing it and recommending it than in the past.

Hoecker, Grover & Co.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The 'Campbell's Early' arrived in good condition. The bunches are as fine as we ever saw. The flavor and quality is simply excellent and in our opinion could not be better and it should be a decided acquisition to the grape family.

The Rochester Nursery Co.,
Jno. C. Shaw, President.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes are all that can be desired, both in appearance and quality. We consider it to be the very best early grape that we have ever eaten.

Irving Rouse.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The quality is good; I think it the best early grape that I have seen, in fact it is far better than I expected.

C. L. Yates.

Seneca, N. Y., Oct. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived here after two days' delay at the express office, in first-class condition, in quality they certainly are all you claim for them. We never enjoyed a basket of grapes more than we did the Campbell's Early.

W. F. Rupert & Sons.

Stuyvesant, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received. It's fine appearance, its earliness and good shipping qualities, make it a very valuable grape.

A. M. Eaton.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received today in perfect condition. If it will ship as they say it will they carry across the continent. I am very much pleased with them and believe they will fill a space long needed as they possess good quality with such a strong but not unpleasant skin, put up in much superb bunches.

O. D. Green.
Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 21, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We are very glad indeed to have an opportunity of testing the Campbell's Early grapes. They arrived in excellent condition, and the very good early grape. They seem to bunch well and the grapes are of good even size.

Smiths & Powell Co.

Tarrytown-on-Hudson, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes are at hand in perfect condition, and the very good early grape. They seem to bunch well and the grapes are of good even size.

J. B. Hoag.

Waterloo, N. Y., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received yesterday in fine condition. They are a very handsome grape, of good size and I should think an excellent grape for shipping.

Peirson Bros.

Wort Park, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached me in excellent condition this morning. I am feeding off of them daily, prolonging the pleasure and criticism. These grapes certainly do back up well many of the claims you make for them: the skin is tough but not hard, its flavor pleasant to the taste though held long; the grape is juicy, while the pulp though not in the least tough or stringy (but on the contrary, quite tender) keeps a good, tangible form and adds to the pleasant, refreshing character of the grape. It certainly in its fruit character is a departure for the better from the Concord, Worden, Moore's Early type, while its holding and shipping qualities can easily be inferred from the basket sent, as the very best. If Campbell's Early will yield with the Concord and be as promptly early as the Moore's Early, then is the making of a first class event, for it certainly makes for quality. This has undoubtedly been a trying season on foliage, yet my Campbell's Early set last spring, have stood it well.—none better.

Let me add this that has forced itself on my attention in eating of this basket of grapes; namely: the unusually pleasant flavor that lingers in one's mouth for some time after.

W. H. Van Beenschoten.

Chevelot, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes I think are just perfect and the quality cannot be surpassed. They kept perfect until the 27th of Oct.

Ephraim Lathrop.

Walworth, N. Y., Oct. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes were very fine in quality, large size and seem to possess the qualities that should make the variety popular.

T. G. Yoepeans.

Hammondsport, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early is a grape of high quality and there are a great many things to recommend it to the public; i.e.,—good keeper, does not crack, holds to the stem and is of a flavor that is not to be found in any other variety; pulp sweet to the center. small seeds and very few of them.

R. Longwell.

Westfield, N. Y., Nov. 19, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes were very fine and at this date are eaten, as we left a bunch or two to see how they are for keepers. We think they have many good points, especially size of cluster and berry, and quality for table purposes. We feel sure this variety has a great future before it.

H. W. Bowers.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes you sent us removed all doubts and satisfied us that in quality it was far ahead of any early sort we are acquainted with. They were delicious eating. The bunches and berries were models and altogether it seems to me a remarkably fine originator. It seems to us it must supplant all other early sorts.


Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We had a call for two hundred or three hundred baskets of Campbell's Early grapes and would like to know if you could furnish them or if you know where we could procure the fruit.

Chase Brothers Company.

Highland, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine you sent me last spring has made a growth of six feet with some side branches. I am satisfied that you have a grand thing in the Campbell's Early grape.

Aaron Rhodes.

Penn Yan, N. Y., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine has made a very fine growth and is well ripened up. I think we will have some fruit from it next year, it is so strong and vigorous.

J. O. Rupert.

Mariboro, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine sent me last spring has made six feet of close jointed well ripened wood. I consider it a very vigorous vine. It has been entirely free from mildew and held its foliage until late without spraying, when all the Concorde in this section have been troubled more with mildew this year than I ever knew before.

S. Haviland.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The vine of Campbell's Early grape sent me last spring has made a fine growth.

Wm. C. Barry.

Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine made a rather slender growth the past year, making a total length of four feet and together with two laterals. Perhaps it did not have a fair show because the ground was rather hard clay and the season against it, but it does not appear to us, however, to be a weak grower.

Prof. of Horticulture.

Fredonia, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—My Campbell's Early grape vine made a fair growth considering the dryness of the season, with not the best of care.

Master of the first Grange organized in America.

East Penfield, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The one year old Campbell's Early grape vines I purchased of you last spring have made a good, vigorous growth.

P. W. Butler.


Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape which you sent here last spring, was set on rather dry ground. Compared with other vines in the same soil, it has made a good growth, having made from five to six feet of wood.

S. A. Beach, Horticulturist.

New York Agricultural Experiment Station.

Fredonia, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine planted last spring shows a healthy growth of four canes from four to six feet long.

John W. Hunn.

Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 29, 1897.

My Dear Mr. Joselyn:—I have not good soil, as it is heavy clay, nor is my Campbell's Early, it yet has done well and is now in good condition and is vigorous. With kind regards, I am (Rev.) Charles A. Bragdon.

Cassville, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—In reference to the growth and vigor of your Campbell's Early grape vine, I have but the highest praise as in both respects it is far in the lead of all my other kinds. No signs of mildew or other disease and the most symmetrical growth I ever saw.

I. B. Tuckerman.

Germantown, N. Y., Nov. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine, not having had the care it should have had, has made a fine stocky growth of well ripened wood. Judging from its appearance at this time, it promises something very fine for another season.

John H. Over.

Hilton, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I planted the Campbell's Early vines in an old vineyard near large vines which had been planted about thirty years, so they did not have a chance to do very well and the latter part of the summer and all the fall we did not have any rain at all but they have been healthy and have made a good average growth. Wood all ripened well, short jointed, hard and fine. Am much pleased with it.

Delos Tenny.

Fredonia, N. Y., Nov. 16, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine I planted last spring has grown finely the first year but I am sure it is a strong, vigorous grower with smooth, healthy wood.

G. N. Marsh.
Dear Sir,—The six Campbell’s Early grape vines planted last spring are all alive, have made fine growth, and are covered with clusters of excellent bunches of this season.

Chase Brothers Co.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir,—My Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early vine has done well although the season was not the best for grapes. It has made two-foot growths and has a profusion of fine fine fruit of the finest grade. In this last frost, Oct. 30. I think it will be one of the best grapes for cultivation.

Ephraim Lasher.

Cheviot, N. Y., Nov. 1, 1897.

Walworth, N. Y., Oct. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early vine we sent you last season have grown fine. They were very strong plants, about such as from our long business experience, we have learned to expect from you. We never received from you any but very good ones.

K. E. Vane.

Hammondsport, N. Y., Oct. 30, 1897.

Extracts from the Rural New Yorker of December 16, 1893:

"One of the bunches proves that the size of the berry, as shown, to contain really growing flesh, is not undrawn.

There is no acidity in the flesh of the seed, as there is in the Concord. As there is a growing and not filled-up cavatina, the seed is not a strong point. It is a hard and yet richly-colored grape, without a trace of foxiness that we can discerned to be mealy, with less pulp than the Concord. The seeds—of medium size and averaging three in number—part readily from the flesh. More again, it has a decided advantage over the Concord. It is a better grape than the Concord in these important respects, while its earlier maturity is of inestimable value."

Some clusters were sent to the Rural New Yorker in September, 1894, to which Mr. C. R. Archibald replied as follows:

"The bunches received. I am really glad that I was the first to tell in print of this grape’s worth."

October 1, 1894, in a letter to Mr. Joselyn, Mr. C. R. Archibald says:

"Our respected friend, Mr. Campbell, again sends me a bunch of Campbell’s Early. This grape seems to me almost perfect. It is a grand grape."

From the Rural New Yorker, Oct. 20, 1894, in an article on Campbell’s Early:

"The following notes were made as the result of a careful comparison of one gallon of Concord Skin grape, more tenacious, more ‘fat’ under the skin; flesh more meaty, more tender, less pulp, scarcely a trace of acidity in the flesh, without seeds; a variety, richer. A decidedly better grape in every way."

From the Rural New Yorker, March 9, 1895:

"Mr. Joselyn will be the introducer of Campbell’s Early grape, which in quality and appearance is the best native black grape we have ever seen."

From the Rural New Yorker, May 16, 1896:

"The past winter was one of exceptional severity. We do not know how low the mercury fell, but we do know that it touched eighteen degrees below zero. It is a great pleasure to be able to state that Campbell’s Early—which we believe, though judging from too little knowledge possibly, will prove to be the best black grape at present known—without any protection, has not been injured in the least."

From the Rural New Yorker, Oct. 9, 1897:

"A second vine of Campbell’s Early grape was received from the introducer, Geo. S. Joselyn, Fredonia, N. Y., in the fall of 1895. It bore one bunch only, and this a hard frost in late October killed over half the cluster. The soil was light but when the berries were the size of the smallest peas, and the bag was not removed until September 21. The berries on the vine received from the originator, Geo. W. Campbell, during 1894 ripened between August 28 and early September almost exactly with Moore’s Early. We were, therefore, prepared to find the berries of the bagged bunch of the 1895 vine shriveled and fallen from the stem. The berries and bunch, however, were absolutely perfect. Every berry was the size of every other berry, and all of them the size of the finest Concord. This is a most valuable characteristic of this splendid grape—formaibility of size. Its keeping qualities, as judged by this one trial, are also remarkable. The berries adhere as firmly to the stems as do those of the earlier grape. Some may prefer a sweeter grape; some with less pulp; some with other qualities more or less pronounced. In the writer’s opinion, Campbell’s Early, for the climatic of the Rural Grounds, is the nearest to perfection of any grape grown there.


CAMPBELL’S EARLY GRAPE.

George S. Joselyn, nurseryman at Fredonia, N. Y., has obtained a new grape from Campbell’s Early, and this season it is first offered to the fruit-growing public. Fruit from vines only twenty months planted out was shown at the Chautauqua Agricultural Society’s annual exhibition in 1896, and scored higher than any other seedling grape ever exhibited before the Society. We have examined samples of the Campbell grape, and agree with the editor of “Fruit,” who gives the following conclusions after an inspection of the vines and the fruit.

Campbell’s Early is fully as early as Moore’s Early, is of good size, not liable to crack, free from mildew and of exceptionally good firmness and quality. A prominent shipper affirming his declaration, “this grape can be shipped around the world. In dessert quality it is a rival of the finest list of first early market grapes. It is, both as to cluster and berry, of large size, of a glossy black color, with a beautiful blue bloom: pulp firm and not foxiness; seeds small, few in number and part readily from the pulp. For those who do not swallow grape seeds, this variety will be a great favorite. Its value to the commercial grower, in our judgment, consists largely in that it will extend the grape marketing season. We have been chagrined by the very early ripening of the early market grape of the first quality. Campbell’s Early seems destined to supply this deficiency.

From the American Agriculturist, Nov. 6, 1897.

A remarkable grape.

Mr. George S. Joselyn, Fredonia, N. Y., sends us a basket of Campbell’s Early grapes. The clusters are fine, certainly, and the berries are large, of a glossy black color with a beautiful blue bloom, pulp sweet and juicy; free from foxiness; seeds small, few in number and parting readily from the pulp, a highly commendable peculiaritly, as tending to discourage the bad practice of swallowing those indigestible articles. The fruit was scored last year, and in every particular quite properly, at 96 out of a possible 100, the judges being Prof. Lodeman of Cornell and two experienced vineyardists. It appears to us that the variety is likely to fill an important place as an early market grape of the first quality, especially as it seems to be exceptionally well adapted to long distance shipping.

From the New York Farmer, Port Jervis, Sept. 30, 1897.

CAMPBELL’S EARLY GRAPE.

The Farmer is in receipt of a few clusters of Campbell’s Early grape from its disseminator, Mr. Geo. S. Joselyn of Fredonia, N. Y. Probably no grape now before the public has been more talked of than this and there has been quite a general feeling...
that it would fill a gap in our list of early varieties. A very critical examination of the fruit has produced a most favorable opinion of it, from all standpoints. First, its quality is very good—very much better than any of its competitors. A notable feature is the absence of the quality of acidity which中心 from varieties of grapes in general, which is so often annoying to those, who, like ourselves, always reject the seeds. The clusters are above medium in size, very compact and many of them shoudered. The berry is large, round and black with fine bloom, and it adheres to the clusters so tenaciously that it may be lifted from the entire bunch without separating. Its skin is sufficiently thick to make it a superb shipper as well as a long keeper—in deed we should think it would excel in the latter re spect any variety now on our lists. The Farmer has no hesitation in commending it for trial to its horticultural friends and congratulates Mr. Campbell, to whom grape growers owe much, on the production of this, which bids fair to become as popu lar as its earlier locs, the Delaware.


GRAPE CAMPBELL'S EARLY.

Grape Campbell's Early has already been alluded to in these pages, and lately the introducer, George S. Josselyn, Frederic N., favored us with some bunches of the fruit. The clusters were very large and as regards flavor, too much can hardly be said for Campbell's Early: it is a blend of the Muscat Hamburg, with a variety frutes with Moore's Early and having a tough skin keeps and ships well; the berries also hang well on the bush.

From the Frederic Advertiser, Sept. 24, 1897.

Geo. S. Josselyn of this village, knows how to give joy and happiness to the newspaper editor, and Wed nesday morning he took occasion to display the gener ousity of his heart by sending to this office a basket of Campbell's Early grapes, a new variety, which is now ready to be placed on the market. The fruit was neat ly packed. The grapes are delicious and excel any variety that I have tasted and, of course, the editor of this paper has had the pleasure to taste. The flavor and general appearance of the fruit ought to make it a ready sale on the market. Mr. Josselyn is a progressive man and knows a good thing when he sees it, con sequently his good judgment prompted him to push this new grape before the public. There is every indication that it will out-rank all other early varieties. The vines are for sale by Mr. Josselyn and grape growers should investigate this new grape. The Jos selyn grape propagating concern has developed into great proportions and has raised a great number, sold to non for reelection. The pulp of Campbell's Early grape is sweet to the center, so the seed need not be swallowed. The grapes were recently awarded a first or medal by the American Pomological Society, and the fruit has been known to hang on the vines for six weeks after ripening. The wood has broken and has stood 18 degrees below zero. The fruit does not crack and will ship around the world.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Greensboro, N. C., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in per fect condition and I find the quality excellent and the size and perfection of the bunches remarkable to have come off one year old vines with only two years growth in vineyard.

John A. Young.

Jamesstown, N. C., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us today in fine shape. They were delayed on the road for three or four days but looked as fresh and nice as if just gathered from the vines. The grapes and most of the bunches of any we have seen this season; the flavor is very fine and we see no reason why the grape would not sell readily in any market.

Pomona, N. C., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes this morning. I consider it a very fine grape. The bunches were extra large and the grapes of the Campbell's Early bunch, and the bunches there were much larger than the ones you sent me, almost double the size. I am satisfied that it will be a grape that will throw up five shoots, the strongest one is three feet long and the other runs four, five and the longest one is seven feet, so I consider this very good growth for the first year.

G. S. Pickett.

Columbus Grove, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes are at hand in fine shape. To say they are fine and of good quality is expressing it mildly. They are almost as good as any in the grape line and I have tested nearly everything of value.

A. F. McAdams.

Coebohto, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes were received yesterday and were the best early black grape which we have tasted this season.

Jas. R. Johnson.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 1, 1897.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW GRAPES.

We, the committee appointed to examine new grapes at the State Fair, would say, fine specimens of Campbell's Early were exhibited. Clusters were long, often shouldered, or double shouldered, averaging larger than any we have seen, thick dark black, thin skin but firm, and the berry does not fall from the stem. Seed small and perfect for the pulp. Quality first, color bright red, skin very hard, pulp very sweet, quality and bearing qualities Mr. Campbell claims for it is worthy of general cultivation.

Signed.

E. M. Woodard.

N. Ohmer.

W. F. Farnsworth.

President North Carolina Horticultural Society.

Southern Pines, N. C., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in excellent order. I am highly pleased with the quality and think it is the best early grape I know of. It is an improvement on the Moore's Early on account of the smallness of the seeds. I have shown it to a number of the grape growers here and they speak well of it. The carrying quality is all that can be desired.

H. F. Blyeau.

Southern Pines, N. C., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine which I planted last spring remained dormant until the 1st of June when it began to grow. It grew finely until about the 1st of August, as much as two inches some days, when the top was accident ally broken off. It is now seven feet long and has thirty-seven well developed buds and I believe it would have grown to twelve or fifteen feet long had the top been broken off or had I allowed a lateral shoot to grow. The grape is nearly perfectly green and healthy and are just now beginning to ripen. The wood has ripened to the end and is nowhere small enough to ripen to bear a very large number. I have found (barring the accident to it) behave as nicely as did it. It is five feet longer than the other vines you sent me and that too, with exactly the same treatment.

J. S. Brocco.

Fayetteville, N. C., Nov. 13, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The vine of Campbell's Early grape grew thrive fully until the 1st of July. Frequent rain from early in June until middle of July, injured the foliage and checked its growth. Later a strong growth started now and is in good condition. The main cane is six feet in length and there are a few small laterals near the ground.

J. S. Brocco.

Pomona, N. C., Nov. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine sent me last spring threw up five shoots. The strongest one is three feet long and the others run four, five and the longest one is seven feet, so I consider this very good growth for the first year.

J. Van Lindley.

President North Carolina Horticultural Society.

OHIO.

Circleville, Ohio, Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received in fine condition. It is indeed a fine grape, in my opinion far superior to Moore's Early in flavor, quality and market. I have found the pulp being much in its favor and from appearance they are fine shippers.

John J. Bremer.

Clyde, Ohio, Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received yesterday and were the best early black grape which we have tasted this season.

G. S. Pickett.
Dear Sir:—I have your basket of Campbell's Early grapes.

Not one berry was broken by the trip which shows Campbell's Early is a first class shipper. The bunches are compact and handsome and the quality is extra fine. M. Crawford.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes and must tell you that after the long journey and standing in the express office over Sunday, I did not find a broken or spoiled grape, but they were remarkably solid and the flavor the best of any early grape I ever tasted and the seeds few and not bitter, while the clusters and berries were large.

S. R. Alexander.

Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1897.

Bellevfontaine, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes and must tell you that after the long journey and standing in the express office over Sunday, I did not find a broken or spoiled grape, but they were remarkably solid and the flavor the best of any early grape I ever tasted and the seeds few and not bitter, while the clusters and berries were large.

S. R. Alexander.

Cali, Ohio, Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes are received. They are certainly very fine. Clusters are unusually large for being grown from young vines. L. Templin & Sons.

Cedarville, Ohio, Nov. 4, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received in prime condition. The bunches as well as the berries are large, of fine flavor and quality. Pulp sweet and readily separates from the seed. Considering everything, it is a fine grape and should be in every fruit garden. It is evidently a good shipper.

E. B. Frant & Co.
(Frantz Bros., Mgr.)

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes in prime condition and thoroughly tested. We pronounce it most excellent and think it certainly is all that is claimed for it.

Heikes Nursery Co.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes and pronounce it superior. The fruit is certainly "all right," in size, quality and compactness of the bunches.

The Hoover & Gaines Co.

Dayton, Ohio, Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in good shape. They were the finest clusters of early grapes I ever saw. I think they will be quite an acquisition to our short list of worthy grapes.

John Siebenthaler.

Delphos, Ohio, Oct. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received. The clusters were very fine, round, large berries, black, light blue bloom, skin thin, very juicy, flavor delicate, quality best and a No. 1 market and dessert grape. It excels any black American grape in beauty, is almost perfect and a grand grape.

Albert Max.

Fremont, Ohio, Oct. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes were received Sept. 22nd in perfect condition. I think it is the best black ever tasted. I showed it to a number of my friends who coincide with me in my opinion. I think it will be a fine thing for the grape grower and for those who like to eat good grapes.

John Day.

Fremont, Ohio, Oct. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received Campbell's Early grapes in good condition and tested them thoroughly, keeping one bunch until about a week ago. We think it of very good quality and believe it to be a very valuable grape for long shipments.

J. D. Muchmore & Son.

Greenville, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Allow me to thank you for the Campbell's Early grapes. I had sampled this valuable grape before at some of our State Horticultural meetings and after carefully going through these, I am well pleased with them and think it is a long step in advance of any early black grape we have on the market at present. My friends to whom I passed the grapes were unanimous in its praise and several of them have placed orders for immediate planting.

E. M. Buechly.

Groesbeck, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us in splendid condition, looked as though they had just been taken from the vine. We think it is a very good grape and will come very popular.

M. Barnes & Co.

Hamilton, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes have been tested by myself and others and are pronounced unequalled in all the qualities that go to make up a desirable grape.

Israel Williams.

Kinsney, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in splendid condition. We find it of good size and fine appearance, quality better than most early sorts, clusters nice and of fair size. The solidity of shell is certainly a good place it possesses over other varieties. We believe it will stand shipping better than any variety we are acquainted with and we regard it as a valuable sort.

Samuel Kinsney & Co.

Lakeside, Ohio, Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes all right, and certainly they are the best all round early grape I have seen.

C. D. Johnson.

Lakewood, Ohio, Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came to hand in good order. They are the finest in appearance I have seen this season. The quality is very good.

F. E. Carr.

Lorain, Ohio, Oct. 11, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in fine condition. They were pronounced excellent in quality by all. My judgment of them is that they are A No. 1 shipper, good quality and very large in berry and bunch.

T. B. Stone.

New Antioch, Ohio, Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came in excellent condition. They are the finest I have ever seen in size of bunches and berry. The quality is all that any one could wish for. We know it is a good shipper for we have yet in our office two bunches you sent the 20th inst. (almost two weeks) and they are yet in good condition.

I. M. VanDervort & Son.

New Carlisle, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes a few days ago. They came in excellent condition and we consider them fine grapes.

F. A. Fissel & Bro.

New Carlisle, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received in excellent condition. I am quite familiar with it, having seen it on exhibition at our State Fair also at a meeting of our Pomological Society of same date at Columbus, Ohio. I am certainly very favorably impressed with it and feel sure it is the best any grape as it combines the qualities of size, earliness, hardiness and early bearing.

W. N. Scarf.

Painesville, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes were received fine in condition. Are not able to judge much about the time of ripening, as grapes ripen here so much earlier, but the bunches certainly are very fine, better than any of the early kinds that we know, while the quality is certainly superior to any of the first ripening varieties.

The Storrs & Harrison Co.

Peoria, Ohio, Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received in fine condition. We consider it a very nice grape, large clusters and large berry. We should judge it would be an excellent shipper.

The L. Green & Son Co.

Sidney, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of Campbell's Early grapes and find the fruit large, very rich and pulp sweet to the center; skin thick. This grape should be an excellent shipper.

Geo. Hemm.

Springfield, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes came today. They are a very fine looking grape and the quality is A A. The Smiths Nursery Co.

Stockton, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes received in the finest condition. The clusters are remarkably fine. It is certainly a very handsome grape and to our taste, the best of all the early grapes, while its shipping quality will make it a valuable as a market variety.

Geo. L. Miller.

Tacoma, Ohio, Oct. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received Campbell's Early grapes in nice condition and such as were not disturbed kept so for two weeks. I showed them to a number of my friends and all pronounced them very fine in appearance and quality. I think this grape will be a desirable acquisition to our list.

Wm. Stanton.

Tadmor, Ohio, Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We received the Campbell's Early grapes and we think it is very fine.

Peter Bohlander & Son.
Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in fine condition. Owing to its large size, fine flavor and most excellent shipping qualities, it should be one of the varieties selected by every planter, both large and small. We can recommend it to one and all.

The Farmers Nursery Co.


Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in good condition. They are good in quality and very handsome in appearance.

Philip H. Bork.

Troy, Ohio. Oct. 16, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The grapes were certainly splendid, with a good flavor and very juicy. You certainly have a valuable variety in the Campbell’s Early grape.

Geo. Peters & Co.

Vermilion, Ohio. Sept, 2, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I received the Campbell’s Early grapes in good condition. As to quality, in my judgment it is of great value for an early market grape on account of its good shipping qualities.

John Moe.

Versailles, Ohio. Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand just as fresh and nice as if they had been just taken off the vine and I must say they were the finest and best grapes I ever had. Some of our best grape judges here pronounced them the finest black grape they ever saw. And the beauty of the grape is the small amount of seeds as there is only one in the most of them. I think you have a grape that you may well be proud of.

J. B. Werts.

Willoughby, Ohio. Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I have often said if we could have as good a grape as the Concord reaping at about the same time, with a tough skin, it would be the most valuable acquisition that we have had for years in the grape line. We have in Campbell’s Early, a much better grape, a week or ten days earlier and a grape that can be picked and shipped without injury and its keeping qualities add greatly to its value as an amateur or market grape.

J. H. Tryon.

North Dover, Ohio. Nov. 15, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Thank you for the Campbell’s Early grapes. I am inspector for the D. Grape Shipping Association here. We had the grapes at our office for a week or more, to show to the grape growers. They were pronounced fine, the best they ever saw.

C. M. Limpert.

Medway, Ohio. Nov. 15, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes were the largest and most beautiful grapes I ever saw. In my opinion it is a great grape. Not the least foxy and good clear to the skin. I believe it will ship a thousand miles in good order. I took a bunch out of the basket yesterday, Nov. 14th, after having been in the basket nearly eight weeks and they were as sound as the day I received them.

J. M. Clark.

Extract from a letter from the well known grape grower, Mr. Geo. M. High of Middle Bass, Ohio, to Geo. W. Campbell, dated

Middle Bass, Ohio. Nov. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell’s Early had a fine crop of most excellent fruit. Clusters were not as compact as expected but it may have been on account of overbearing, for I had left twenty-five buds on the vine, which bore about fifty clusters. They were fit to eat this season as soon as Champion. On the 1st of September I took a couple of clusters to Mr. Whible and he pronounced the quality the best he had ever tasted of the blacks. A few days later Mr. Thaddeus Smith, one of the largest grape growers and wine makers of Petoskey Island, Canada, said it was the finest of any black grape he had ever come across and I have no hesitation in saying I agree with him.

(Signed.) Geo. M. High.

Euclid, Ohio. Nov. 20, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell’s Early grapes which you sent me on the 24th day of September, I did not receive until Oct. 1st. I found them in first class shape. They had been in the express office all the time and it was very hot about that time. I showed them to Mr. Tuthill, Master of the N. O. Grape Association and others who spoke highly of the quality, and as to shipping, it could not be beat. According to my judgment they are the coming grape.

J. M. Crosier.

Toledo, Ohio. Nov. 26, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I ate the last of the Campbell’s Early grapes about two weeks ago that you sent me. They are remarkable keepers and good eaters.

I. D. Cartwright.
clusters, to the number of nearly a dozen, with which we were kindly favored a few days ago, were splendid specimens, all that could be desired both in bunch and berry, and would not suffer in appearance by comparison with that magnificent foreign variety, the Black Hamburg. The Concord has for years been conceded the position of the most American of the country for general culture, but it has several notable defects, and on account thereof, Campbell's Early, which is exempt from them, will doubtless supplant it to a large extent.

The above article is from Abram Thompson, senior editor, who was one of the first to bring to notice and introduce the Delaware grape.

From Farm News, Springfield, Oct. 18, 1897:

Farm News desires to add its testimony to the good qualities of the new Campbell's Early grape that George S. Josselyn of Fredonia, N. Y., is introducing. A basket of the grapes sent from that place to Springfield arrived in perfect condition. It is an ideal grape, large and luscious. Next to sampling them the best thing is to read of them in Mr. Josselyn's catalogue. Send for it.

OREGON.

Woodburn, Oregon, Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape vine you sent us made a growth of between two and three feet. It looks to be very thrifty and we predict for it a very strong growth next season as it had a late start this season and hardly a fair show given it.

J. H. Settlemier & Son.

PENNSYLVANIA.

West Chester, Pa., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived safely. They are unmistakably of native origin, as the foliage is very decidedly of the 'Labrusca' type, being thick, leathery and remarkably vigorous. We feel justified in saying that the large size, beautiful compact bunch, and rich dark purple color relieved by a decided bloom, combine to make it an attractive variety. These in addition to the good quality of the pulp, which is very firm, juicy and agreeable as its decided earliness, constitute valuable characteristics. We might also add that we think it will make an excellent shipper before the Concord is placed on the market. Hoppe's, Bro. & Thomas.

West Grove, Pa., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us in nice condition and they appear to be an extraordinary variety, particularly adapted to shipping. We do not handle grapes in a very extended way but we will make a note of this variety, as we believe it will give our customers satisfaction.

The Dingee & Conrad Co.

Willowdale, Pa., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes received. The quality is very good and there is no acidity in the pulp. The berries are good size and the bunches well formed. We would pronounce it a very early grape.

Rakestraw & Pyle.

Williamsport, Pa., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I view Campbell's Early as the one grape of great promise—the multurn in parvo grape indeed.

C. W. Griggs.

Scranton, Pa., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us in excellent condition. It is early one of the best grapes that I know, not excepting the Moore's Early. Thomas F. Kane.

Three Tuns, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes received in fine order. They seem to be everything claimed for them. They will be a fine grape to ship. The flavor is, to my taste, very fine. It looks as if the body retains that ex-scent in popularity in our market (Philadelphia) and I think the Campbell's Early will lead the list of them.

J. O. Atkinson.

Uris, Pa., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes arrived in the very best of condition. I think they are the best grape I ever ate. Some clusters, too, are a rarity. They are large and well formed while the berry is rich and sweet. It is, in fact, a most superior grape and a victory in grape culture.

John Peters.

Wernersville, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—I received the Campbell's Early grapes in fine condition. I think it a splendid grape.

M. E. Smeltzer.

West Chester, Pa., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes came in excellent order, bunches and berries being perfect as if they were packed an hour ago and therefore proves to be a valuable shipping grape. The bunches being so compact and berries of good size, it ought to attract attention in the market. The leaf seems to degenerate the vigorous growth of the hardy kinds, which are not liable to mildew like so many of the fine varieties. If this should be so, it would be a very valuable kind for our climate where we cannot raise with continued success the Brighton, Roger's Hybrids and so many of that class.

George Achelis.

North Orwell, Pa., Oct. 31, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in fine condition. I was much pleased with the fine size of berry and cluster, quality good.

J. E. Hamilton.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes reached us in good condition. It is a very attractive variety and we are pleased with it.

Henry A. Dreer.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes came in good order. They were certainly extra fine.

Wilmer Atkinson.

Editor Farm Journal.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 25, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—Campbell's Early grapes came to me in prime condition. Better than any I ever saw before so far from the vines. I have been watching your circulars of this grape and felt considerable interest, nevertheless I was surprised when I saw the fruit and thought it a good shipper, and showy for the market and palatable for the table. While I am very wary about trying new things until they are thoroughly proven I will have to put a few of them in my vineyard. I am of the opinion that in this grape you have a varietal.

Bion H. Butler.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 18, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes kept in perfect shape three weeks. I never saw the like.

Bion H. Butler.

Scranton, Pa., Oct. 7, 1897.

My Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes which I received. I must say that everyone who saw and had an opportunity to test its fine quality was well pleased.

Samuel K. Mohn.

Mohn's Store, Pa., Sept. 30, 1897.

Esteeemed Friend,—Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. I am much pleased with them. The thick, tough skin must make it an excellent shipper and the facility with which its seeds separate from the pulp is a very desirable quality. The size of the berries and bunches is all that can be desired. The fruit is certainly an improvement on Concord.

Samuel C. Moon.

Morrisville, Pa., Sept. 25, 1897.

New Wilmington, Pa., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in good condition. They are very fine both in appearance and quality.

Geo. A. Hoover.

North East, Pa., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir,—The Campbell's Early grape will stand shipping.

E. E. Carr.
Lehighton, Pa., Oct. 10, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I have not seen this black grape that will compare with the Campbell’s Early in flavor, size of berry or size of cluster and the vine is a good grower. I think this grape will stand at the head of the early black grapes with the most critical examination.

David N. Rehr.

Malvern, Pa., Sept. 28, 1897.

Esteemed Friend,—The Campbell’s Early grapes came to hand in good order. The quality we pronounce very good, bunches perfect, with glossy black skin. This will surely be a fine shipping grape. The bunches now look as if they might be kept four weeks.

Josiah A. Roberts.

Mansfield, Pa., Oct. 26, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Having just returned from our outing, we find the Campbell’s Early grapes sent us Sept. 24th. We find the grapes after being sacked over, in good condition and of good quality, showing its superiority as a shipping grape.

A. H. & W. R. Avery.

Marietta, Pa., Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early is way ahead of Concord as a market grape and will doubtless be one of the varieties of the future for that purpose.

H. M. Engle & Son.

Maysville, Pa., Oct. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Several bunches of Campbell’s Early were kept in the office for two weeks after they arrived and at the end of that time were in a perfect condition. We pronounce this the most perfect grape for the United States. It is large and good and will show up in market much better than Concord and as good in quality. I am more than convinced that it is the coming grape and that it is only a few years until they will be grown by the millions.

Pleasant Hill Nursery.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes reached us in good condition. I think every person who can afford it should plant this grape which I think will be the black grape for the United States. Its large and good and will show up in market much better than Concord and as good in quality. I am more than convinced that it is the coming grape and that it is only a few years until they will be grown by the millions.

Woods & Co.

Hatfield, Pa., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes received in fine condition today. The grapes are the largest I ever saw and in quality are good.

J. B. Moore.

Lancaster, Pa., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived and I think they fully up to what is claimed for them.

Daniel D. Herr.

Lansdale, Pa., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were received in very fine condition. I consider the quality of the grapes excellent and have no doubt that they are the common madu grape.

J. B. Heckler.

Leechburg, Pa., Sept. 30, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes came in fine condition. They were a surprise to me as they were beyond anything I ever saw in the grape line, both in appearance and in quality. They are the admiration of every one who saw them, it is one of the good things that seldom come around and I think that every one should have at least one vine if not more and I am sure that any one buying the vines will get the worth of their money and more. I bought three vines of you last spring and if I could not buy any more, I would not take ten dollars apiece for them.

L. J. Hill.

Bird-In-Hand, Pa., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in good condition. They are indeed very fine, bunches ideal in form for so early a variety and quality among the best. It will certainly become a very popular early grape.

Calvin Cooper.

Bird-In-Hand, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell’s Early grapes in good condition and they were very fine.

O. W. Laushey.

Camp Hill, Pa., Oct. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I would briefly say: if large and handsome clusters, with handsome and high flavored berries holding firm by to their stem—with vigorous habit of vines and from the appearance of a young plant growing with me as free from mildew as any grape I have tried is evidence of merit. Campbell’s Early certainly should stand in the front rank of fine grapes.

David Miller.

Christiania, Pa., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes arrived in perfect condition yesterday. Myself and several others who have tasted the fruit, pronounce it No. 1 in every respect; and particularly because the pulp is of such sweetness to the center as to separate so readily from it.

W. P. Brinton.

Douglasville, Pa., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were duly received in fine condition and we were very much pleased with them.

M. H. Messchart.

Libonis, Pa., Oct. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes duly received. The clusters were the largest and most perfect I have seen this season, while the grapes were of great size, solid and with a tough skin insuring safe shipping for a distance. Those shipped to me came in perfect condition.

Geo. W. Park.

North East, Pa., Oct. 18, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grapes were received in good shape and they looked very fine. I think they cannot help but ship well. I have a bunch now before me (one month after picking) and they have not shelled any but the best.

C. H. Motter.

West Chester, Pa., Nov. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape which you sent me last spring, grew right well and seems to belong to that class of grape vines which ripen the wood to the tips of the branches, from which I have always been on the side to mildew as the Brighton, Catawba, Roger’s Hybrids, etc. George Achols.

West Chester, Pa., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine we planted last fall has had a vigorous growth and is in excellent condition, being fully all you claimed for it.

Hoopes Bro. & Thomas.

Willowdale, Pa., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine has made a quite satisfactory growth.

Rakeshaw & Pyle.

Ashley, Pa., Nov. 7, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell’s Early grape vine planted last fall has had a vigorous growth and is in excellent condition, being fully all you claimed for it.

Thos. Cassidy.

Leechburg, Pa., Aug. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir:—This spring I bought three No. 1 one year old vines of Campbell’s Early grape of you. They were the best rooted one year old vines I ever sw. At this writing one of them has grown over six feet.

L. J. Hill.

Williamsport Pa., Sept. 29, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I bought a two No. 2 one year old vines 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 fruit, stocky, close jointed wood, excellent in everything in my experience with grapes. By the first of this month its wood was mostly ripened—over one hundred joints—while for health of leaf, it is incomparable in my collection.

C. W. Griggs.

From the Farm Journal, Philadelphia, Nov. 1897:

Thanks for a basket of grapes from Geo. S. Jessely, Fredonia, N. Y., containing several fine bunches of Campbell’s Early grape. If we are going to plant a vineyard for market, we should select this as a leader. Large grape, large bunch, black, very early and skin thick enough to carry it to market. Keep your grape eye on Campbell’s Early.

SOUTH CAROLINA.


Dear Sir:—Campbell’s Early grapes received. The grapes were five days on the road but arrived in good condition. I think they are fully up to what you claim for them, in fact they are better than I expected since I have frequently been disappointed with new varieties. As soon as the basket was opened it filled the room with a delightful fragrance and all agree that in appearance and flavor they are the best they have ever seen. I will want about 100 one year No. 1 vines of this variety.

Martin Stork.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Emery, S. D., Dec. 16, 1897.

Dear Sir:—My Campbell’s Early grape vine made a very vigorous growth. Had grown three feet nine inches Aug. 15th. and I have not seen it since.

W. Klav
TENNESSEE.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir: We received the Campbell's Early grapes in due time. They were in good condition and have the appearance of being good shippers. We also like the quality and see nothing to hinder Campbell's Early from being the leading grape of this country.

Bird, Dew & Hale.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early made a splendid growth during the season and has all the appearance of being a very strong, healthy grower.

Bird, Dew & Hale.

Columbia, Tenn., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir: The basket Campbell's Early grapes arrived in perfect condition. They are certainly fine, the finest that we ever saw produced from three year old vines. The quality we regard as excellent.

Grant Bros.

Costner, Tenn., Nov. 8, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The one year old Campbell's Early grape vine planted last fall, has made a vigorous growth, forming a vine of five feet this very dry season. It surpasses Wonder in vigor.

J. W. Waite.

Spring Hill, Tenn., Nov. 6, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine I got from you grew well for such a dry season. We have not had such a drought in twenty years. A good many year old vines set at the same time died out root and branch. I allowed only two or three canes to grow on the Campbell's Early. The main one is about five feet long. The foliage is still green.

L. C. Chisholm.

TEXAS.

Arcadia, Texas, Dec. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine planted last winter made but little growth. The season was dry and very unfavorable.

T. H. Patterson.

Austin, Texas, Nov. 9, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape has grown five feet in length and I have three feet of well ripened wood.

Chas. A. Kuse.

Denison, Texas, Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We planted the Campbell's Early grape vine in good deep, loamy, red, sandy soil and gave good cultivation. The season has been very favorable for growth of vines. The Campbell's Early made healthy growth about the same as Concord made under like conditions.

T. V. Munson.

Cleburne, Texas, Nov. 12, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I am very well pleased with the growth of Campbell's Early grape vines you sent me.

R. H. Pintle.

UTAH.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Oct. 18, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes reached us in perfect condition on the 29th of September. We were much pleased with the grape in every way and we think it far superior to any early black grape we have ever seen.

Pioneer Nurseries Co.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine bought of you last spring made a vigorous growth. Am greatly pleased with it and expect to buy more.

H. W. Dudley.

VERMONT.

N. Ferrieburgh, Vt., Sept. 29, 1897.

Respected Friend:—I received a few days ago a basket of Campbell's Early grapes in fine condition. They were very good and it must be a good shaper as they cling well to the stem and it has a rather thick skin. Its earliness will make it valuable in Northern sections. We have had two frosts here this fall and Wordsens are not fully turned.

L. M. Macomber.

Newport, Vt., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early fruit is certainly magnificent and must take the lead of this class of native grapes.

Dr. T. H. Hoskins.

VIRGINIA.

Fairfax Station, Va., Sept. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received. The grapes were in good order and were very much enjoyed by myself and friends, all of whom pronounced it a No. 1 high quality grape.

E. H. Jones.

Fells Church, Va., Sept. 22, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received yesterday. The grapes came in fine condition and I consider them extra fine in bunch and quality.

D. O. Munson.

Hallsboro, Va., Sept. 25, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes reached us in fine condition. We are much pleased with it. The bunches are large, most of them being shouldered. The berries are very uniform and uncommonly compact bunches. Berries above medium to large, black, very tough skin with plenty of coloring matter under it to make highly colored wine. We judge from its very tough skin that it would be very exempt from black rot. They will make fine shippers and we think it would be a good market sort. The leaf is also large, thick and free from diseases.

J. B. Watkins & Bro.

Nurseries, Va., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Your basket of Campbell's Early grape is real nice. I think it is bound to make its way into most all of the leading vineyards.

C. C. Davis.

Purcellville, Va., Sept. 29, 1897.

Respected Friend:—On my return home I find the Campbell's Early grapes which arrived here last Friday, every grape perfect as when packed. The clusters are fine size, quality sweet yet sprightly and from the texture of the skin though thin, it will be a good shipper.

A. B. Davis & Son.

Red Hill, Va., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in fine condition. I think it a No. 1 grape. Clusters good, berries large and quality first class.

J. O. Barksdale.

Richmond, Va., Sept. 23, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We have received the Campbell's Early grapes in fine condition and in appearance it is very attractive. Its fine appearance, good quality and earliness will no doubt make it a very valuable acquisition to our list of varieties.

W. T. Hood & Co.

Charlottesville, Va, Nov. 8, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine bought of you last fall has given perfect satisfaction. Notwithstanding the excessive drought of the past summer, it has outgrown all other vines. Leaves large and healthy. No mildew. Eight or ten laterals large enough to propagate from. I think I can get a cluster of fruit from it next season.

Dr. C. H. Hedges.

Parksville, Va., Nov. 2, 1897.

My Dear Sir:—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 old original vine which I started 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 Agriculture.

WASHINGTON.

Spokane, Wash., Nov. 16, 1897.

Dear Sir:—My Campbell's Early grape vine made a growth of two canes about two feet each but they were shaded and I intend moving them to where they can get more sun.

W. G. Estep.

Cape Horn, Wash., Nov. 13, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The one year old grape vine of Campbell's Early bought of you last spring, has made a very satisfactory growth. The main cane is forty-one inches long, with a number of laterals measuring altogether twenty-one inches, a total growth of sixty-two inches.

Robert G. Prindle.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Dear Walk, W. Va., Nov. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine made a growth of five feet six inches with three laterals of about two feet each. The wood is ripe to the tip top Nov. 5th, all leaves yet on the vines. I am very much pleased with it.
WISCONSIN.

Baraboo, Wis., Oct. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received a basket of Campbell's Early grapes from you the first day of the opening of Sauk County fair, put them on exhibition and they were sampled by the prominent growers and the general verdict was that they are fine. I think they are superior to any early grape raised here in any respects.

A. D. Brown.

Fort Atkinson, Wis., Sept. 28, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received. As far as my knowledge goes, no word of criticism or guilty remarks. All agree the bunch is a fine one. William Frazier has this week been exhibiting a sample basket of grapes of the Campbell's Early variety, grown in Fredonia, N. Y., by G. S. Josselyn. The fruit is of a fine quality, the pulp being sweet to the center. This variety was awarded the Widler medal by the American Pomological Society this fall. The vines are said to be healthy and can withstand an 18 degrees below zero temperature. They are also good shippers.

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J. M. Edwards & Son.

Galt, Ont., Sept. 24, 1897.

Dear Sir:—We are pleased with the quality of the fruit of the Campbell's Early grape. The appearance of the bunches and noted particularly the toughness of the skin, which is certainly very much in favor of the variety. We have no doubt whatever that Campbell's Early will prove a great success.

Cavers Bros.

Hamilton, Ont., Oct. 5, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I find the quality more desirable than in any other grape I have known of out door culture. I have taken time now to exhibit a sample of the grapes to several large vineyard men and it is the general opinion of those gentlemen that you have in the Campbell's Early, a superior of grape, quality and worthy of a place in any vineyard.

C. P. Knight.

St. Catharines, Ont., Oct. 1, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived in fine condition and we pronounce them simply perfect. The bunches were very large, compact, well shouldered, covered with a fine bloom, tannin in them. They will make fine marketable grape, quality fine, combined with earliness it is destined to become very popular with the amateur as well as the commercial planter.

L. G. Kellogg.

Ripon, Wis., Sept. 30, 1897.

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L. G. Kellogg.

Sparta, Wis., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received today. They are grand.

A. Butler.

Sparta, Wis., Sept. 27, 1897.

Dear Sir:—Campbell's Early grapes received in fine shape. Bunches large and compact, fruit large, quality excellent. But the strong point with this splendid early grape is it is evidently a good shipper and consequently will keep well, I am pleased with the Campbell's Early.

Wm. Frazier.

Trempealeau, Wis., Oct. 3, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The grapes (Campbell's Early) came to hand during my absence. I find them first class in all respects. They are the finest black grape I ever saw.

W. M. Allen.

Twin Bluffs, Wis., Oct. 21, 1897.

Dear Sir:—I received the Campbell's Early grapes about a month ago and they are in good condition now. We think the quality is fine and the grapes are very large and nice.

John T. Wood.

West Bend, Wis., Sept. 30, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grapes arrived here on Sept. 27th in excellent condition. They are of good quality and I think they will be excellent shipping grape.

Solon Yahr.

Waukesha, Wis., Nov. 11, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine has done wonderfully with us. It had longer canes than any other variety that we have planted two years ago. We find it to be the most vigorous of all grape vines out of fifteen varieties that we have.

John Grape.

Fort Atkinson, Wis., Nov. 2, 1897.

Dear Sir:—The Campbell's Early grape vine, although set rather late, made a growth of seven feet and well ripened wood.

J. M. Edwards & Son.
Special Notice!

EVERY CAMPBELL'S EARLY VINE we sell is grown out of doors and all are graded as large and heavy as any of the old varieties. It is the strongest grower on our list and the vines are the handsomest and best of any variety we ship. We don't send our customers little weak hot-house grown vines such as are usually sent out when a new variety is introduced.

Positively no buds or cuttings or No. 2 vines of this variety for sale. The tops of all Campbell's Early vines will be cut back to about three buds, the right condition for planting.

All Campbell's Early vines sold will have our metal seals attached, as per facsimiles below.

To procure genuine Campbell's Early vines insist that every vine bears our seal, showing our name, the age and grade of the vine and the year it is sold.

Planters should be careful to remove these seals before planting, to avoid the danger of the vines being cut off by the wires as the vines grow larger.
CAMPBELL'S EARLY.