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Route 1 Box 24,
Pass Christian, Miss.,
16 August 1960

Mrs. Lillie Mathis,
Rt. 1 Box 260
Spartanburg, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In The Aug. 11th issue of the S.C. Market Bulletin
you offer:

Narcissus, Queen of the South @ 50 for \$1.00

I am adding 50 cents for postage as this is a long
trip from Spartanburg!

Cordially,

B. Y. Morrison

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Apt
The sent some
Narcissus Koster
hee!

Route 1 Box 24,
Pass Christian, Miss.,
16 August 1960

Mrs. M. L. Gaffney,
R-6 Box 47
Gaffney, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In the S. C. Market Bulletin for Aug. 11 you
offer "Snow White jonquils at 50 ¢ the dozen,
postage extra."

I should very much like three (3) dozen and inclose
a P. O. M. O. for two dollars (\$2.00) and hope that
the extra fifty cents will serve for postage. If
it is not enough, I shall be happy to pay the difference.

Cordially yours,

B. Y. Morrison

M:incl. P.O.M.O.

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No Horn!

For bulb - short
Rec'd 8/25/60

Route 1 Box 24,
Pass Christian, Miss.,
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Miss Josée Quarles,
Mudoc, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In the Aug. 11th issue of the S.C. Market Bulletin
you offer various bulbs for sale. I should like to
buy the item listed below, but have no idea how
much postage to include. I am adding fifty cents
and will be happy to pay any additional amount
if needed.

Cordially,

B. Y. Morrison

m:s

77

50 Narcissus, white yellow centers.	1.50
400 small red flowers for market	2.00
postage	0.50
	<u>4.00</u>

distinct!
~~from the market~~
in terms of us

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Cost $\frac{77}{50}$
27¢ owing

Same as Serateen Sisters
from Mrs Parker in
Newms Va

Route 1 Box 24,
Pass Christian, Miss.,
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Mrs. Ada Cartin,
R-2 Box 563
West Columbia, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In the August 11 issue of the S.C. Market Bulletin
you offer various bulbs for sale. I should like to
order those listed below.

As I have no idea how much postage will be needed
I have added fifty cents to cover and if that is
not enough, I will be happy to pay the difference.
If it is too much, don't mind!

Cordially,

B. Y. Morrison

50 Narcissus Chinese Sacred	5.00
50 Yellow Jonquils	1.75
	<hr/>
	6.75
postage	.50
	<hr/>
	7.25

*Papa white
6 flowers!*

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cat 63
50
misc:incl. P.O.M.O.

owe 13

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Mrs. Dula Ashworth
Cleveland, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In the S. C. Market Bulletin for August 11, you offer various bulbs for sale. I should like to purchase those listed below. But I have no idea what to add for postage.

Will you let me know on the inclosed post card?

I am inclosing now a P.O.M.O. for the items themselves.

Thank you.

Cordially,

B. Y. Morrison

47¢

50

owes me 3¢

with P.O.M.O. and post card.

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100 yellow jonquils	1.25
12 white narcissus	.25
12 old time daffodils	.25
10 apricot lily	2.50
	<u>4.25</u>

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Pass Christian, Miss.,
16 August 1960

Mrs. Georgia Bailey,
Modoc, S. C.

Dear Madam:

In the August 11 edition of the S. C. Market Bulletin
you offer various bulbs for sale.

I should like to order the item listed below but have
no idea how much postage to send you.

Could you let me know? Or may I just add fifty cents
now and you let me know the difference? I will be
happy to remit.

Cordially,

B. Y. Morrison

m:incl. P.O.M.O.

Digitized by 100 yellow journals \$10.00 per 100
Postage 5.50 Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation 5.50

Sent 100 @
300 @

8700 lbs 20¢ postage

all here + ack. Paid using money
in stamps. 8/5/60 from
with Bailey - done

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Sincerely,
W. Y. Morrison

W. Y. Morrison

Encl. P.O.M.O.

10-75,687,598

U.S. Postal Money Order

DOLLARS
5 50
CENTS

PURCHASER'S RECEIPT
FILL IN OTHER SIDE

DETACH
AND HOLD

ISSUER ASSUMES RESPONSIBILITY FOR FILLING IN HIS NAME AND ADDRESS AND NAME OF PAYEE IN SPACES PROVIDED. ~~ONLINE ORDER~~

ISSUING OFFICE STAMP

PASS CHRISTIAN, MISSISSIPPI
AUG 18 1960

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2 00 ✓
1 15 ✓
7 25 ✓
2 00 ✓
1 50 ✓
4 00 ✓
4 15 ✓
4 25 ✓
1 15 ✓
5 50 ✓
2 00 ✓
5 50 T

30 reflex for wilds @ \$10.00 per H 3.00
Postage 2.50
5.50

Enclosed you will find your
money order, I am very sorry
that I can't fill your order
but I don't have that quantity
of bulbs now.

Thank you.

Returns M.O. +
asked for whatever
she could do!

Mrs. Georgia Bailey

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m:incl. P.O.M.O.

500 yellow jonquils @ \$10.00 per M. 5.00
Postage .50
5.50

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money order, I am very sorry
that I can't give your order
but I don't have that quantity
of bulbs now.

Thank you.

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Mrs. Georgia Bailey

Mathis to Morrison 9-IX-1960
yellow fringed cups Limited no
Little yellow of these 2

also have Cannas
Cream white; Deep Cream
yellow; light pink dark pink
Deep red President;
Green leaf orange
Red leaf orange
also have Gladiolas

I have lots of Iris in different
colors.

I keep a book and have every
thing charted down, and rows
numbered, and named.

White Daffodils. These first are fine
but I don't have many of these
Cream cups white Petals
white Petals orange Cups
King Alfred Daffodils all yellow
yellow cups cream Petals
all long cups
I think a double called Butter & eggs
plenty of these
Half cups Daffodils. plenty of these
like others only cup is half as long
have early Paper white narcissus
in bunch type with perfume.
Plenty of these
also old time Jonquills

9-1X-1960

R. I. Box 260
Spartanburg S. C.

Mrs. D. Y. Morrison;

Dear Sir yes I had a nice trip I went to a 10 day Camp-meeting. Glad you got the bulbs safe. and as for your question about other I am sending you a list of what I have. I will send you 5- each of those I don't have many of, and more of those that I have plenty of. If you should have something I don't have and would like to exchange bulbs I will be glad to. I'm always getting something new. you will find the list inside. and Thank you Mrs Lillie Mathis

From Watrous

5031 Reno Road,
Washington 8, D.C.,
Feb. 17, 1961.

Dear Mr. Morrison,

I decided to start the photostats on their way and try to do a little coloring on the tracings I made from some of the figures of tazettas in Burbidge's book, Library copy. The results are not by any means exact, but neither are the colors in Burbidge, judging by other plates of varieties I know. They were probably colored by hand? 1875 is the date. But they may give you a little idea of some of the varieties. Unfortunately no illustration of italicus, but I'll look up the Bot. Mag. plate. The figure of mediterranea does not show the very narrow perianth segments that caught my eye in the description. One of your bulbs of italicus has a bud now, and so I should be able to satisfy myself before long as to whether it is the same as Mrs. Evans' "Christmas." The other buds of that did not open, probably due to cold going down to 5 degrees one night, with the pots just inside unheated attic windows. Now her "Pearl" is blooming, with two very fine clusters. It seems to be the same thing I had for years as "hardy tazetta", more recently identified as "White Pearl."

It is too bad your P.I. tazettas are so slow in blooming. I wonder who else received them. I requested only two, and received only one, the 340308 italicus. Dr. Meyer told me that those bulbs listed as from the Pisa Botanical Garden were some that had been used in some study, and were about to be discarded when he came along and expressed an interest in them. They were: Barlae, chrysanthus, puccinellii, aureus, italicus (2 lots), and papyraceus 230894. The tazetta 238740 probably came from a private garden, as he described it as "Material originally from..." rather than giving a collection site.

I will be interested to hear how Mr. Hayward's Grand Monarque looks. Buds are showing on most of the rest of my things in pots: Mrs. Carroll's "creme" white, Erlicheer, Grand Primo, "Pearl" white tazetta from Florida, Mrs. Wheelless' "Round petal cream narcissus", and "White, yellow center" of Mrs. Quarles, but some are only just showing.

I had poor results from the Jefferson-Brown bulbs. Some had buds but did not open. Some did not come up at all (*N. serotinus*.) If you are ordering from Mr. Gray you may appreciate being told that Plant Quarantine has been finding some nematodes in his bulbs and recommends planting them apart from other bulbs and watching them closely. Or cut the tops off and see if there is a brown spot. If so, burn. There was trouble with Jefferson-Brown's bulbs in 1959, but I think Willis Wheeler said they found only one had one this past year, and he (J.-B.) is taking vigorous measures to ensure healthy stock, including a new location. This information is not generally given out, but Mr. Wheeler said I might tell you. He says they have found nematodes in other English bulbs, but not the Irish or Dutch.

to
Thank you for the Brumbach clipping. I will send it on/the Dardens, whom he is going to stop by to see on his way north. I met him at the Middle Atlantic Regional meeting at Old Point Comfort in October, and had quite a talk with him. He is very pleasant, has a beautiful place, takes good pictures, talks easily, enjoys himself, and so on, but I'd say is not as much of a botanist or student (at least with respect to daffodils) as he seems to consider himself. His book is largely about HIS experiences in finding these old varieties and visiting

people who have them, and there is much too high a proportion of romantic decoration and fancy writing. He does have a tazetta or two we'll have to try to get from him. He will be at the Roanoke convention, I understand.

We have been having milder weather, and the snow is melting fairly rapidly, exposing the ground here and there. One small clump of snowdrops that was blooming before the first snow on Dec. 11 has come to light again. Our spring seems very far off, however. Best wishes to you for yours.

Sincerely,

Robert C. Watrous

Route 1 Box 24,
Pass Christian, Miss.,
7 June 1961

Mrs. L. M. Cochran,
Route 2
Decatur, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Cochran:

Thank you for your answer to my questions!

~~NY~~ I inclose a P. O. Money Order for \$5.00.

I should like bulbs and am not sure that I have figured correctly, but you must reduce the quantities to suit the money!

The description of the White jonquils sounds to me like old Biflorus, so I would like no more than one dozen!

Please adjust to fit the money and take out for postage please.

Very truly yours,

B. Y. Morrison

m: incl-money order

White jonquils - not more than 12

Early Trumpet daffodils, put in the most of these!

Yellow narcissus, 12 only.

Dear Friend;
I received your letter about Bulbs
• yes the white Johnnyquils have several
flowers to stem yes have leaves resembling
garlic sweet scented they bloom in May
• yes Daffodils are the early trumpet kind
• The white narcissus have several flowers
on one stem I think they are the prettiest
of all - yellow narcissus are just like
white only smaller. I sell all for
25 for 50¢ only white narcissus 12 for
50¢ as they are larger bulbs. yes a
Post office money order is acceptable
I imagine 35¢ will pay Postage
I hope to receive an order soon
• your friend Mrs. L. M. Cochran
Decatur Miss P # 2

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THIS RECEIPT MUST BE PRESENTED IN CASE OF LOSS

SENT TO Mrs. L. M. Cochran

ADDRESS Rt #2 Decatur, Miss

NO INQUIRY ACCEPTED PRIOR TO
60 DAYS FROM DATE OF PURCHASE

Labor Day

Dear Mrs. Watrous:

All my S. C. stuff is in, save from one old gal who advertised by the 1000 and when I ordered 500 wrote she did not have that many and returned my M. O. I sent it back and asked her to ship me what she had and may be another year??? No reply so far. It is just too much trouble to get ones money back on a M. O.!!!!!!

Mrs. Dula Ashworth (Cleveland S. C.

Labelled nothing! So, I have marked the "yellow jonquil" as it is obvious, but the others, No. 1 and No. 2 were supposed to be:
white narcissus
old time daffodils!

Mrs. Ada Cartin, R-2 Box 563, West Columbia S. C.
Narcissus, Chinese Sacred
Yellow jonquils

Miss Jessie Quarles, Modoc, S. C.

white, yellow centers
small yellow cluster narcissus

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"Snow white jonquils"

HER STUFF WAS VERY POOR in quality and I hope you can save something.

Mrs. Lillie Mathis, Rt. 1 Box 260, Spartanburg, S.C.

Narcissus Queen of the South, like Laurens Koster, but differs in color.

I ordered a quantity and she had no label on that part, but she put in two small packets, and I read Laurens Koster on each and picked a bulb from one and two from the other for you, but when I went to put them all away, I saw that she had Laurens Koster on one and the cream mate to Laurens on the other, so I do not know what you have in the sack! Labelled Laurens Koster, but you probably have that and/or know it. I am sorry that I have added to the confusion!

I have some unlabelled bulbs from Mrs. Evans and as I had begged only "Pearl" as she calls it, suppose that these are that kind. If you haven't had it from her, I can send you some. Let me know and when and if the 1000 woman sends her stuff, I can ship these also.

Best of luck with all this stuff, in which I am sure there are no jonquills which is what I had hoped to get always, not one of the odorous kinds or our friend, Buttercups!!!!!!

Sincerely,

E. Y. Morrison