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Search our On-line Back Issues from 1914 to 2006

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Process Regardless of Search Type

Here’s how to conduct two kinds of searches: a basic search by year as well as a text search if you have key words in mind (including several at the same time.)

1. Log on to the web.

2. Go to this link: <https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/mb?a=listis;c=682027300>

This can be tricky to direct click – you may need to cut and paste it into your browser.

Here you will find “Collections”. All our back issues up to 2006 are in one “Collection” called *American Peony Society Publications*.

Now you can search two ways – both start with this “Collection.”

Basic Search by Year

3. In the “Sort by” box choose “Date Descending” (the default is one of several title sorts – hardly useful here since the publication title varies little). This “Date Descending” selection puts the newest issues first. If you want oldest first, choose “Date Ascending.”

3a. Depending on how many results you want on a screen, should you want more than 20, change the default to one of the pre-set values.

4. Now the issues are in order on your screen. On each title, Click “Full View” to have the entire volume load. Depending on your connection speed, this will load quickly or not. If you want to just flip the pages, use the left/right arrows at the upper right *or* slide the slider bar *or* change the page number. Notice you can see how many pages are in that volume.

5. If there is a specific word or set of words you want to find, use the “Find Box” (upper right). Just separate words with a space.
6. If you “Search”, you’ll get a page of results with the key word highlighted (or separate colors for each word if you used several) and a link to the page. Click the link.
7. At this point you are taken to the exact page. You can scroll around (use your mouse) as you like.

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Advanced Search

Begin at Step 2 with the link activated. In the very top, under the title of “American Peony Society Publications” is a box called “Search in this collection”. This function searches *all the volumes for these exact words*. This way you don’t even need to know the year.

3. Put in any set of words you like (or just one) and hit “Find.” For example, “Saunders quad” brings back 47 cases. Now you have to track each one – but you have the list of annual volumes where every case is already confirmed. Its shooting fish in a barrel, as my grandmother used to say.

4. Now go to the first volume, and again put “Saunders quad” in the “Search in this text” box (upper right) and hit “Find”.

Now the steps are exactly as 6 and 7 in the Basic Search.

- You will get back a linked page where the text is cited by page, and the different words are color-highlighted. Just click on the page of the one(s) you want.
- Next you will get the direct loading of that page (by page number) and the highlighted word is highlighted on the page. Scroll around as before.

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