

investigations of the author on his recent official visit to Europe, where he went to study the police systems of the leading countries. It is capitally illustrated. "The Selection of a Home," by Clarence A. Martin, Professor of Architecture at Cornell University, is the first of twelve articles on the general subject of "How to Administer a Household." Louise Parks Richards contributes an interesting personal sketch of the great painter, Von Lenbach. Two other character sketches deal with James Brooks Dill, the prominent corporation lawyer, and Edward Henry Harriman, the Western Railroad Czar. Elbert Hubbard, in an article on "A Gladiatorial Renaissance," makes out a strong case against football as it is played to-day, and Tom Masson discusses how many men a girl should be engaged to before she marries. "The Woman of Fifty," by Mrs. Wilson Woodrow, deals with the victory of modern woman over her hereditary enemy, Time. Other articles are: "The Young Napoleon," by Field-Marshal Viscount Wolseley, K.P.; "Mankind in the Making," by H. G. Wells; "Insurance as a Profession," by Charles F. Thwing, LL.D., President of the Western Reserve University; and "Beauty in the Modern Chorus." The March *Cosmopolitan* also contains four complete stories in addition to Henry Seton Merriman's new novel, "Barlaseh of the Guard."

Bier Called to Bonn.—Dr. A. Bier, professor of surgery at Griefswald, has accepted a call to Bonn as successor to the late Professor Schede. Bier is only 41, and yet his name has long been quoted as the discoverer of spinal cocainization, and the therapeutic application of passive congestion, or *Stauungshyperemie*. It is a curious fact that he is not at all enthusiastic in regard to spinal cocainization, but expressly warns against its dangers. It owes its vogue entirely to others.—*J. of A. M. A.*

A Hygienic Institute for the Western University, London.—A deputation, headed by Dr. Robert Ferguson and Dr. H. A. McCallum, of London, Ontario, recently waited on the Ontario Cabinet at Toronto, presenting a request that an institute of hygiene be established in London in connection with the Western University. The government has replied that they can not at present accede to their application. The object of the university is to have the government build and maintain an institute equipped with laboratories for the purpose of providing scientific facilities for the prevention and treatment of infectious and epidemic diseases. The petitioners assert that something is due the western section of the province in view of the assistance granted Toronto and Queen's Universities; they will prosecute their application at a future date.