

### Catalogues of the Season.

We can do little more than name those beautiful illustrated catalogues that have been laid on our desk. While the snows and frosts of winter are, now at the end of April, still lingering in our fields and gardens, the beautiful illustrations of summer plants and flowers make us less mindful of the naked cold of the young year, that seems so unwilling to give place to the season of flowers and fruit.

There is Vick's Floral Guide, ever welcome to our sanctum, the frontispiece a beautiful double petunia; and here, the Floral World of Briggs, of Rochester, presenting us with a new flowering phlox drummondii. D. M. Ferry, of Detroit, in his Seed Annual, gives us the Emperor William pansy. The rose, the "Queen of Flowers," has a whole descriptive catalogue by the Dinger & Concord Co., and the catalogue of P. Henderson presents, in a double sheet, a lovely group of dianthus or pink. We have also illustrated catalogues of Schlezl, Everett & Co., Rochester, N. Y.; of Phenix, Bloomington, Ill.; Reeves & Simpson, N. York; Cosman & Co., Rochester, New York; Gregory, Marblehead, Massachusetts; Allen, New York; W. Rennie, Toronto; Simmers, Toronto; Steele Bros., Toronto; R. Evans, Hamilton; Bruce & Co., Hamilton; W. H. Marcon, Guelph; Geo. J. Child, London, Ont.

**NURSERIES.**—We have from Pontey & Taylor, Hyde Park, London, Ont., a full description of trees, shrubs, &c.; Ellwanger & Barry, Rochester, N. Y., who have the largest nursery in the States; Scroder, Bloomington, Ill., grape growers; Moodie & Sons, Lockport, N. Y., ornamental trees; Spooner, Boston, Mass., flowers, &c.; High Holborn, London; and Lawson & Co., of London and Edinburgh.

**Illustrated Catalogue of Potatoes**—B. K. Bliss & Sons.—Messrs. Bliss offer to purchasers new varieties for 1875. The Alpha, claimed to be the earliest variety in cultivation. Price, \$3 per lb. Eureka, said to be very productive and an excellent keeper. Acme, said to be most valuable for the main crop over a great extent of country. Early Nonsuch—A few days later than the Early Rose; expected to be a most valuable market potato. Of those newest varieties we have no personal knowledge.

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### THE PRIZE ESSAY ON BARNS.

From the unavoidable delay in adjudging the prizes for essay and plan of barn, and the additional delay of having the plan cut, we are unable to have them appear in this issue of our paper. Some contributions received and other original matter are also crowded out. If Mr. Hunter wishes to have the plan earlier he has but to write to us.

**CAUTION.**—Beware of the vendors of the Bohemian or Hulless Oats; also of grain claimed or represented as being the same, or as clean and pure as ours. If you find travellers selling doubtful articles or wonderful patents of any kind, let us hear about them at once.

### To Exterminate Lice on Swine.

A correspondent of the *Rural World* gives what he calls a mode "simple, very effective and perfectly safe," to wit: Soap and warm water, applied thoroughly with a brush. He says, "If more than one animal is washed, it will be advisable—at least I think it is more effective—to soap two or more before the washing of the first one is finished, so that the foam may remain a little longer in contact with the skin."

### SPECIAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

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