

pigeon's egg of different colors as it comes down from the red or white gum tree. About the middle of December the Moors encamp on the borders of the forest, and the harvest lasts a full month. The gum is packed in large leather sacks and transported on the backs of camels and bullocks to seaports for shipment. The harvest occasion is one of great rejoicing and the people for the time being, are said to live on the gum which is nutritious and fattening.

Many families keep mucilage of Gum Arabic for general pasting purposes always in the house. It is also sometimes given as a medicine for coughs. To make into a mucilage, one ounce of the gum rubbed in a mortar, should be dissolved in four ounces of warm water.

## Insect Powder

Is the ground flower heads of the *pyrethrum roseum*, cultivated chiefly in Southern Europe and Persia.

Owing to the larger demand for it of late years much of the powder has been found to have been greatly adulterated. To overcome this the most of the large dealers in Canada now import the unground flowers and grind them themselves.

Purchasers should be careful to buy this drug only of reliable dealers.

Its use has become almost universal for the destruction of flies, bed bugs, cockroaches, mosquitoes, cabbage worms, carpet moths, sheep ticks, ants, crickets, fleas on dogs and lice on horses, cattle, house plants, birds, etc., etc.

Dusted on furs, clothing and carpets to be laid away it is a protection against moths.

In using Insect Powder for the destruction of flies, etc., the doors and windows should be closed and the powder sifted on the windows and in the air so as to fill the room as much as possible.

The Powder is not considered poisonous to persons and animals, at any rate in small quantities, but is believed to destroy insects by suffocation.

It should be protected from the air when not in use.

We put up the genuine Insect Powder in cans with perforated lids specially for household use.

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