

### Fur Trade News.

The Leipzig (Germany) correspondent of the New York Fur Trade Review writes as follows on May 11:

The easter fair was attended by a number of United States and Canadian buyers, and also a number of prominent Russian dealers, and later by buyers from Austria, Greece, England, France, Italy, Switzerland and other countries. There was a middling good demand from nearly all, the result in general being quite satisfactory. The large supply of skunk could not be placed, but parcels were taken by German, Australian and Italian furriers; a good many were also taken by Russian dealers in consequence of the prices. American opossum was less in demand than in former years, the skunk imitation of this article having declined in favor. Red fox in proportion to the heavy supply did not sell well enough, but a considerable quantity was taken for Russia on account of the low values; Turkey purchased very carefully. Lynx was not wanted, but in consequence of the low prices Turkish buyers took a small portion of the offering; lynx backs will be exported to America at reasonable prices. There has been a limited demand for otter of medium grades, and deer skins sold a little better, and pale southern skins for plucking sold pretty well. Fisher has been in good demand for Russia as prices were not too high, and good values were also paid for fisher tails. Rough raccoon of good quality was competed for and stocks were rather small; medium and lower grades sold more slowly; there was a satisfactory demand for beaver; nutria remains scarce and very dear; musquash has been purchased for Russia in considerable quantities, good middling sort being preferred; the bellies are cut here and have an elevated price, being wanted for capes, seal imitation, etc.; business in prime raw musquash has been limited, as manufacturers of the different colored articles still have large parcels from the January sales, which they were unable to get ready for the easter fair; superior dyed seal-musquash has met with the usual request; musquash linings remain in demand for northern countries. Mink has been taken in many instances for German and Russian consumption, but the general impression is that prices are too high; there has been a fair demand for marten from German furriers; silver fox and cross fox have done much better than last year; blue fox, which was neglected last year, has found a little more favor; sea otter has had a satisfactory sale to Russia; real chinchilla is in very small supply and has sold well in spite of the enormous prices; bastards are more numerous but also very dear. Australian opossum continues in fair demand, good sorts finding ready buyers at the present moderate prices; monkey has been taken to Italy and to some extent for America, and prices are now rather low; wallaby, wombat and kangaroo, in the different varieties as imitations of other articles, have had a limited sale; a novelty in sheared kangaroo, to imitate nutria, has been shown and looks quite well. Business in German foxes during the first days of the fair was dull, but there was a gradual improvement, Russia taking good parcels; medium and low grades are still offered; otter met with a moderate demand, and was taken for plucking by German firms and for Russia; superior grades of fitch have sold well at good prices, but lower classes are only in moderate request; baummarten has sold to some extent for countries where neckscarfs are in fashion, and superior colors brought good prices; stonemarten has not sold as well as expected, and many dark baltins are still unsold; mottled oats were cheap, and black cats were purchased for America and France at a little higher rate than last year. Thibet articles

took the lead this time for many countries, particularly black and white skins of best quality, and now some brown dyed skins are selling; good coats were purchased for France, price in general being high; kolinski and other yellow martn-like skins were in demand for Turkey, kolinski being rather dear; astrakhan lambs of common rough sorts have been purchased for Italy in large quantities, and some fino moires have been taken for America and France; good parcels of curly astrakhan have been taken by American buyers at advantageous prices; the Russian collectors of natural skins have small supplies this year; trade in Persian lambs was quite satisfactory at the beginning of the fair, but later on the demand was not so lively; in raw skins very small lots only are now offered as the new supply will not be received until July; broadtails are cheaper than during the former years; Ukrainian lambs and Shiras have been a little better than formerly; gray krimmers have had the usual sale for Canada at about last year's prices. There is a decidedly better demand for German-made squirrel belly linings; Russian worked sacs sell slowly, the only request being for the dark sorts; squirrel backs have met with very little demand; transactions in raw squirrel have not been important; twisted squirrel tails have sold fairly well to most countries, and consequently raw tails remain very high in price; silver musquash is scarce and dear; ermine are cheaper than one year ago and several large parcels have been purchased for the United States and France, sable skins are offered in good collection with some very superior parcels; there has been a limited demand for natural blue moufflons for England, and dyed silver gray, steel gray and chinchilla-moufflons have had a fair sale, and the white skins used for this purpose are much higher in price than they were last year; fresh parcels have arrived since the first of May. White fox dyed black and fancy colors has sold to some extent, but not so well as in former years and prices are easier. Russian bears, which are cheaper than formerly, have been taken for England in considerable quantities; several large transactions have been noted in white hares, many of these skins are used for dyeing brown and chinchilla and nutria imitations; there has been some demand for the lowest grades of Russian wolves, but superior skins are neglected; large parcels of Russian marmot have arrived here, and considerable quantities have found buyers for black dyeing; the Irbit fair prices of these skins are very high, retarding sales.

### Literary Notes.

The Cosmopolitan for June celebrates the month of roses by appearing with its cover brilliantly illuminated with a bouquet of roses. Robert Burns Wilson contributes a poem "The Immortal Three," with frontispiece and other excellent illustrations, also by the author. In the present state of the Cuban difficulty, two papers will prove specially appropriate. These are "Concerning the Independence of Cuba," by the editor, and "Madrid," freely illustrated, by C. Chatfield Taylor. Two articles turn the thoughts toward war. These are: "A War-Time 'Aurora Borealis,'" by Ellen W. Mago, giving reminiscences of the "late unpleasantness," in the United States "War," an article which deals largely with guns, by General Miles, both illustrated. There is also a third article of a warlike scene entitled "In Case of War with England—What?," by John Brisbane Walker. In fiction, "Mrs. Cliff's Yacht," and Hilda Strafford are continued. "Convicts and Bush Rangers in Australia," is concluded in this number. "Dr. Pike and his Wife" is an amusing story by Ger-

trude S. Stanley. "Suburban Homes," by R. C. Sturgis, gives a number of plans and illustrations for country homes. The regular departments "In the World of Art and Letters," "The Progress of Science," and "Some Examples of Art," are all well represented.

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