

A "REEL COMFORT."—Have you seen the new fly catcher advertised in this issue, and which, it is claimed, is superior to anything in that line offered? The Canadian agents are Lyman Brothers & Co., Toronto.

A FAVORITE BRAND.—We would direct the attention of the trade to the advertisement of John Labatt, in this issue. Labatt's ale and stout are known throughout Canada as one of the leading brands, and they are specially adapted to the use of invalids and convalescents, and are highly endorsed by the medical faculty. The favor with which they are regarded abroad is shown by the high awards extended to them at the various exhibitions of note. They received the highest award at the World's Fair at Chicago in 1893, the gold medal at the Midwinter Exposition in San Francisco in 1894, besides eight other gold, silver, and bronze medals at the world's great exhibitions.

A Seasonable Request to Druggists in Sheep Districts.

We respectfully ask every druggist to send us at once a list of all owners of sheep in his district, to whom we promise to mail a pamphlet on Sheep Dipping and the Cooper Dip, with his name appended. This never fails to start a demand. A supply of attractive literature will also be sent to the druggist, free of all charge, with his name on.

The Cooper Dip has been the leading dip of the world for fifty years. It is exclusively supplied to the British Government, used on the Royal estates, and endorsed by the Canadian Minister of Agriculture. It is a scientific preparation, highly manufactured, and essentially a druggist's article. It is a concentrated powder compressed into packets, clean, non-combustible, non-corrosive; in fact, a perfect stock article. No deterioration by time or climate possible. Vastly superior to every other. Mail list at once to catch the season to

WILLM. COOPER & NEPHEWS,

Cooper Dip Depot,
Galveston, Texas.

Inquire prices to the trade of Evans & Sons, Ltd., Montreal and Toronto, general agents for the Dominion of Canada.

Books and Magazines.

Frederick Stearns & Co., Detroit, Mich., have issued a treatise on "Wine of Cod-liver Oil," embodying the indorsements of some leading practitioners of this preparation. As is quite naturally the case, the favor with which it has been received has stirred up opposition from rival manufacturers; but the substantiation of its claims, as the result of its use by the medical profession, proves it an article of undoubted merit. A copy of this treatise will be sent free to any applicant.

THE WILD FLOWERS OF CANADA.—This Dominion will soon be covered with wild flowers as with a carpet. It is interesting to hear that splendid prizes are to be given to those who know the wild flowers of Canada by name, form, and color. European and American judges of floral nature say Canadians should be so carried away with the beauty of their own native bloom as to ensure an acquaintance with the wild flowers of Canada by every man, woman, boy, and girl in the Dominion. In this connection the Montreal *Star* is coming in for much praise for a splendid work it is publishing, entitled "The Wild Flowers of Canada," in portfolio form, sixteen flowers in each portfolio, three hundred plates in all, natural colors and natural size, the whole forming an invaluable treasure for the library. For a limited time these valuable portfolios may be obtained from the Montreal *Star* or local newsdealers at fifteen cents each. Amazingly cheap.

RUDYARD KIPLING TO REVISIT INDIA.—Much interest will be felt by the public in the return of Rudyard Kipling to India. He has just agreed to furnish a regular contribution to *The Cosmopolitan Magazine* for the coming year, beginning his work upon his return to India. India has never been critically considered by such a pen as Kipling's, and what he will write for *The Cosmopolitan* will attract the widest attention, both here and in England. Perhaps the most beautiful series of pictures ever presented of the Rocky Mountains will be found in a collection of fourteen original paintings, executed by Thomas Moran for the May *Cosmopolitan*. To those who have been in the Rockies, this issue of *The Cosmopolitan* will be a souvenir worthy of preservation. This number contains fifty-two original drawings, by Thomas Moran, Oliver Herford, Dan Beard, H. M. Eaton, F. G. Attwood, F. O. Small, F. Lix, J. H. Dolph, and Rosina Emmett Sherwood, besides six reproductions of famous recent works of art, and forty other interesting illustrations—ninety-eight in all. Though *The Cosmopolitan* sells for but fifteen cents, probably no magazine in the world will present for May so great a number of illustrations specially designed for its pages by famous illustrators. The fiction in this number is by F. Hopkinson Smith, Gustav Kobbe, W. Clark Russell, Edgar W. Nye, and T. C. Crawford.

THE WORK OF ALBERT LYNCH.—Albert Lynch, whose work is becoming so much more generally known to Americans through his drawings in *Scribner's Magazine*, and his cover designs for *The Ladies' Home Journal*, is a Peruvian by birth, but of English parentage. He is only thirty-three years of age, and of extremely retiring disposition. He is now married, and lives in Paris. The young artist commands the highest prices for his work, his smallest water-color paintings

readily selling for \$600 to \$900 each. In 1893 he received the Salon's first prize for his beautiful panel of "Spring," showing a single figure. This picture won the admiration of the French art critics and the public to such an unusual degree that the painting was sold for a fabulous sum to a private Paris buyer. Recently *The Ladies' Home Journal* acquired all publication rights to this painting, and it will serve as one of the cover designs for that magazine. The next issue of the *Journal* will also have a design by Lynch, portraying his conception of a woman's ideal costume. A succession of other cover designs by Lynch will follow these two.

The Delineator for May contains: Dance of the Nymphs, Equestrian Costumes, Artistic Housefurnishing, Commencement Costumes, Fashionable Skirt Decorations, Fashionable Millinery, Stylish Lingerie, Ladies' Fashions, Misses' and Girls' Fashions, Little Folk's Fashions, Boys' Fashions, Illustrated Miscellany, Fancy Stitches and Embroideries, Fashionable Dress Goods, Novelties in Wash Fabrics, Fashionable Garnitures, Stylish Millinery, Tatting (illustrated), Crocheting (illustrated), The Art of Knitting (illustrated), Around the Tea table, Crepe and Tissue Papers, Oberlin (College series), Mayers and Lay Games, The Voice, Modern Lace-making, Venetian Ironwork, The Home, Seasonable Cookery, Experiences of a Training School, Life (No. III.), The Social Code (No. III.), How to be Well, Burnt Work (Part III.), Government Clerkships, Kindergarten Papers (No. IX.), Preservation and Renovation (No. II.), The Dressmaker and Milliner, Answers to Correspondents.

Crystalline is the name of a soluble sodium salt of saccharin. This substance is reported to be 400 times sweeter than sugar.

Drug Reports.

Canada.

Glycerine is higher, and stocks low.
Camphor has advanced about four cents.
Cream of tartar has advanced.
All tinctures advanced from three to five cents a pound, according to the proportion of alcohol.
Perfumery has also advanced.
Imported confectionery advanced one-half cent per pound.
Mercurials are advancing.
Caffeine is abnormally high in the foreign markets.
Opium is easy, and the prospects of a large crop check any tendency towards an advance.
Alcohol, on account of new duty, is higher, \$4.60 in five gallon lots is being asked, being an advance of about forty cents.