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B. C. FANCIER.

Our *Manitoba Contemporary* was unfortunate in having to remove their plant quickly, Apr. 26th, on account of a fire which destroyed the greater part of the business portion of Hartney. As a result their May number was rather smaller than usual. This month all will be as usual.

## FROM THE EDITOR'S STAND-POINT.

The B. C. Agricultural and Industrial Association is making preparations for the annual exhibition of the association. The committees to prepare prize lists have been appointed and among others were Messrs. Partridge and Tolmie on Poultry. It almost goes without saying that an entirely different policy from that pursued last year must be adopted if the poultry department is to be a success. There is no reason why a neat little show could not be arranged and surely not the slightest excuse for a repetition of last years blunder. Poultrymen in and about Vic-

toria will wait with no little interest the action of Messrs. Partridge and Tolmie which we feel sure will be liberal and calculated to make the poultry department a popular feature of the fall exhibition.

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## LIME-STONE GRIT.

NORTHWEST HORTICULTURIST.

We have recently seen a sample of the lime-stone grit that is now being put on the market by Stephen Holbrooke of Tacoma, to take the place of the mica and quartz grit now so largely used by poultry-breeders in the eastern states, where there is so great a demand for it that sales aggregate twenty tons a day. This eastern grit sells at \$1 per hundred pounds and several of our fanciers have been importing it in small quantities from St. Paul, paying \$2.65 freight per one hundred pounds, making the cost on the Pacific coast \$3.65, and have consequently looked upon the article as a luxury rather than a necessity. It really is to those of us who have no access to any gravel except that from a glacial or alluvial deposit, where all the beneficial sharpness has been ground off in nature's mill.

Without grit of some kind, fowls do not readily digest and assimilate their food, and that is why so many fanciers on this coast find liver disease and other kindred ailments so common in their flocks. It was this very trouble which induced Mr. Holbrooke to hunt up a remedy, and he feels sure that the sharpness of the lime-stone grit added to the known beneficial effects of its chemical constituents, has solved the difficulty, and having arranged with the Tacoma and Roche Harbor Lime Company to manufacture the article for him, is now prepared to put it on the market at the same price at which the mica grit is sold in the east.

[Mr. Stephen Holbrooke of Tacoma, has made arrangements with the Tacoma and Roche Harbor Lime Company to manufacture a lime-stone grit for him. There has long been a need for something of this sort in the Northwest. To buy from eastern dealers, and pay the high freight rates made the use of grit far too expensive hence the desirability of having a local supply. If a good article is put on the market at a reasonable price there is no reason why it should not have a large sale. We shall await the advent of this article of poultry feed with considerable interest. Ed.]

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