

British Columbia is shown in the high rank our Provincial Government securities and municipal debentures hold in the world's financial circles." But, as we ask elsewhere, is it not possible that, everything else considered, this "stricter economy" has in many instances, been carried to unwarranted lengths, in view of the "possibilities of our trade and the elasticity of our resources?" This consideration, we may remark, would appear to be more appropriate when we remember that, "notwithstanding the universal business depression that prevailed during last year, our exports exceeded in a marked degree those of any previous twelve months."

THE KENNEL.

A BENCH SHOW is to be held at Stockton during the third week of September. This should afford our fanciers an opportunity to have one here, say at the Agricultural Show, and obtain the services of the same judge. We commend this idea to the attention of the B.C.A.A., especially since they have dropped poultry from the prize list.

The latest high priced dog to leave England for America is the noted collie Cham. Rufford Ormonde, about the best in Great Britain. The price must have been a steep one, as he was sold when a pup for £700.

Mother Shipton, pronounced by Mr. Maxson to be the best collie bitch in England during her time, was sold recently at a sheriff's sale at Boston for \$22.00. She cost \$500 when young.

Mr. S. H. Matson promises us a good long article on the management and care of sporting dogs.

Bob Foster was a proud man last Saturday at the lacrosse match, while leading the bulldog, Brian Boru, up and down the field. He was a little upset, though, when the field captain ordered him to "take that face off."

We hear that J. McMartin, who owns a rather nice Irish setter, has some idea of going in for several different breeds. We wish him success.

Since Mr. Hooper has had his St. Bernard, Victoria Prince, clipped, its own mother wouldn't know it, and we advise Mr. Hooper to keep a good hold on the dog when approaching a mirror.

Robt. Jamieson is the latest recruit to the English setter fancy, having purchased a nice pup by Don Dell-Lola Montez II. C. R. Longe, of Pender Island, reports that he has been fortunate enough to rear

four puppies from his imported old English sheepdog. Robt. Jamieson is not very pretty to look at, but cannot be excelled for work. Mr. Longe has one for disposal at a small figure to a good home.

Mr. Newbern, of Mt. Tolmie, has lost, through poison, his toy black and tan terrier, the best specimen ever seen in these parts. He had his neighbor in court for the crime, but though he proved that his neighbor had distributed poison round his premises, he was unable to obtain a conviction.

Messrs. Packhard and Rennie recently took a trip through Saanich, and report pheasants very plentiful. They also saw a band of about a dozen young quail, believed to be the only ones in the peninsula. They visited J. W. Christmas, who has in charge some half dozen dogs in training, belonging to different Victoria gentlemen.

A man in New Orleans had his St. Bernard dog run over by a street car, and the court awarded him \$250 damages.

We had a conversation with John Haydon, yesterday, who resides on View street, just above Douglas. He has some very fine bull pups for sale at a low rate. Here is a chance for some of our sporting friends to secure a prize for a very small sum.

POULTRY.

THE Washington Poultry Journal for July notes the formation of the Puget Sound Poultry club, and gives the list of officers. In that list we see the names of R. M. Palmer and F. V. Vanderson, the ringleaders of the two hostile factions among Seattle fanciers. We congratulate them on the good sense displayed in burying the hatchet.

A Seattle daily gives a most harrowing account of a cock fight that took place last week. One pair of birds fought for one hour and twenty minutes, and then one, which belonged to a high official of the Seattle Poultry Society, gave up and ran. And they call such brutality sport.

Fred Berryman has lost many chicks through rats. He tells us, if he had followed the advice given in this column in regard to perches he would not have lost any.

The Poultry Keeper for July allows its duck editor to perpetrate a joke. He says, very solemnly, that at this time of the year ducks should never be fed but should be compelled to forage for their own living.

The same issue contains a masterly

criticism of the latest edition of the Standard, which should be read by all fanciers. Copies of both can be obtained from this office. 288 YATES ST.

Jerry Tagart, the secretary of the Nanaimo Poultry Society is in this city on his way to the Old Country.

H. A. Tiedemann has recently returned from Toronto, where he was in the large piano factory of Messrs. Heintzmann & Co. Under the personal direction of Mr. Wm. Heintzmann, the art of piano tuning and regulating was carefully studied.

During this season of the year, the greatest pleasure to many people is a quiet, shady nook and a good book. Persons requiring cheap literature would do well to look into Sampson's Book Exchange, Douglas street, cor. Johnson, where there is a great variety.

It is now almost universally acknowledged, according to an exchange, that inebriety is a disease, physical as well as mental and moral, and to give the pledge of total abstinence to the inveterate drunkard without specific instructions what to do next and expect him to keep it is to look for a stupendous effort which only the man of sound mental energy and bodily vigor can perform. An expert, writing on this subject, says that the first step in the progress of true temperance reform must be the recognition of the fact that the irresistible craving for strong drink is the effect of causes which must be got rid of before the drunkard can be regarded as safe from temptation. The various patent remedies can in no sense be regarded as a cure, for the only cure in the real sense of the word is to get the whole man into better condition, his body purified and his will strengthened. Diet is of extreme importance, and, if skillfully directed, will wear away the craving naturally and without danger to the individual. All salted and heavy food stuffs should be avoided. To cultivate a distaste for alcohol, oranges are more effective than almost anything else known. They should be taken, one at a time, before breakfast, at 11 a. m., at 1 p. m., at 3 p. m., at 6 p. m. and the last thing on retiring. Apples and lemon juice are also excellent.

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