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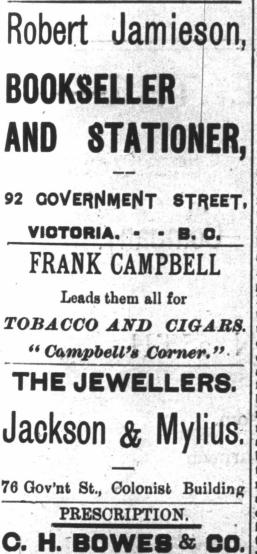
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PHARMACISTS.

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Victoria has had a poultry and dog show at which some excellent specimens of fea-thered and four-footed creatures were displayed. Local fanciers did themselves great credit, while the presence of a num-ber of strangers with their truly excellent entries made a good show, much better. Of course, comparatively speaking, in the matter of a special poultry and dog show, we are but at the beginning of things, but the offers of prizes already made and the expressions of confidence on the part of all interested, render it certain that next time much better things may be expected. Among the things that are wanted to ensure something approaching to complete success is better management and not so great a tendency to allow things to shape their own course.

Moreover, the event should be made matter of greater public notoriety; the comforts and requirements of the exhibits should have greater consideration and, as for pleasing the public, care should be taken that the show be continued open at least one day after the awards have been made and duly announced. Many people have their own opinions as to individual merits, and though they may not be -well up in the methods of scoring, are anxious to see how far their own notions differ from those of the professionals. We must say that we have heard of no exception being taken to the awards and, but for the exceptions that are named. must express great gratification at what it was our pleasure to see. Rome, it will be remembered, was not built in a day, and everything connected with poultry and dog shows-or, indeed, any other effortcannot be expected to go like clock work all at once.-British Columbia Commercial Journal.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

According to cable despatches the British Board of Agriculture has had brought under its notice a proposal to arrange an international convention on the subject of the adulteration of food. The project, which is being promoted by the Nether-lands Chamber of Commerce, has been approved by the committee of the Royal Agricultural Society of England. It originated in a resolution passed at the recent International Agricultural Congress at the Hague. The idea of a convention of this description is an admirable one, and can hardly fail to be beneficial if carried out. Not only are adulterations found in all articles grown in the different countries for home consumption, but in imports, to be eaten and drunk, the amount of deleterious matters introduced, as is constantly manifested in the published returns, is absolutely appalling. Something needs to he done, and in no way can action be bet-ter secured than by an international arrangement or understanding. In adulterated foods, absolute poisons and other deleterious subjects are constantly taken into the system, and the common duty is to put an end to this state of things as much as possible.

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