

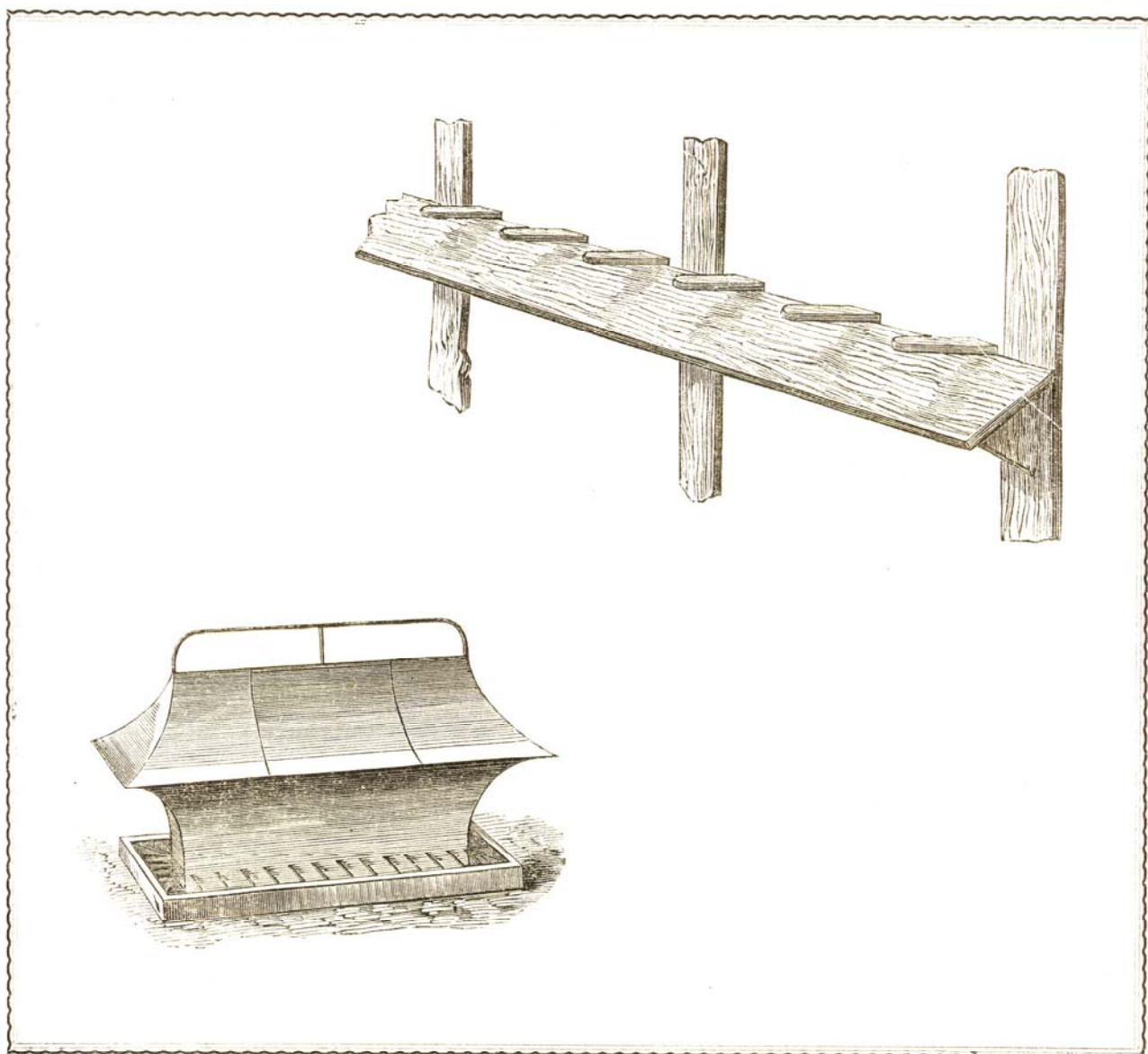


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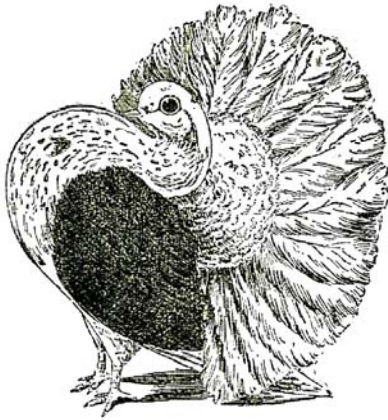
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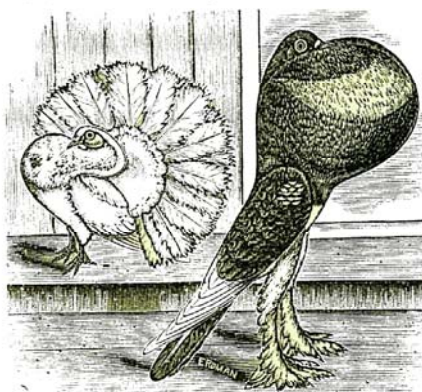
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EDITORIALS.

The Fantail Club is evidently a sure go, and we think the numerous fanciers attached to the Fan, if they become sufficiently interested, can make the club powerful in numerical force. The Fan breeders are alive to the wants of their specialty, and it is to be hoped that the impression of the formation of this club, so erroneously announced several months ago, will be confirmed in this instance. With such a man as Mr. Gilbert to push the matter of forming a Fantail Club, we can assuredly hope for some degree of success. The Fan breeders are anxious to settle on what type of bird to breed, and the only way out of the difficulty seems to be in the formation of a club and the construction of a standard to coincide with the views of the majority. There is also no room for doubt that something must be done in the way of instructing judges as to what sort of birds constitute the standard kind.

Our suggestion of the formation of a Barb Club seems to be meeting with a degree of approval that is gratifying. We have been assured that Messrs. White, Fick and Tiemann will join, and, as will be seen by Dr. Rittenhouse's letter, he will also join. We have failed to hear anything from Mr. Newell and a few others, who also should get in the movement. All fanciers interested in the Barb should now come forward and improve this opportunity.

As will be seen in another column, Mr. W. I. Buchanan, Chief of the Live Stock Department of the World's Fair, has consented to reduce the time for the pigeon exhibit to one week, instead of two, as it was formerly arranged.

This is a great step in the right direction, and no doubt will be the means of bringing out many who had refused to even take into consideration the hazardous project of showing their birds for two weeks. Much praise is due Mr. J. H. Whitman for unremitting efforts in the interest of the pigeon fancy in this matter, and the fact of the time being reduced to one week must be announced and accredited to the honor of Mr. Whitman.

The next thing that should be done now is for the A. C. A., in order to draw out the best fanciers and their birds, to offer large special prizes. This can be done in the manner suggested to us by Mr. J. H. Whitman last year while in Louisville. Mr. Whitman's idea is for the association to charge an entrance fee of, say, twenty-five cents per bird and devote the amount realized from this source to special prizes in the ratio of fifty, thirty and twenty per cent. As there will no doubt be a very large entry the prizes will foot up quite a neat little sum and well worth winning.

Our friend Gavin is away off the scent about Rounder's identity. There are a great many who have some kind of an idea that they know Rounder, but all as yet have failed to guess his identity. Guess again, friend Gavin. Perhaps if you go back to the days when you had charge of Mr. E. H. Moore's loft and run over a few of his customers, no doubt you will strike it right.

We fail to see where friend Joseph has gotten his idea that the American Columbarian Association was reorganized. We were in attendance during the entire session and have yet to

hear of the first motion that was carried disbanding the association, and until this is done there certainly cannot be any reorganization. The adoption of a new constitution and by-laws that were virtually agreed upon at Louisville does not call for reorganization. In view of these facts, we fail to see where the word reorganized comes in. If we remember rightly, under the old constitution, in order to disband the association, a meeting had to be called specially for that purpose. This law was not complied with; therefore no reorganization could be effected. As to Joseph's little side dash concerning "the late official organ," etc., we beg to inform him that there is no lateness about it, and that THE FANCIER is as much the official organ of the American Columbarian Association as ever it was, notwithstanding the pet phrase "reorganization."

Mr. Gavin is very early in showing his hand, regarding his mode of procedure, during his term of office in the A. C. A. As we stated to certain members at New York, he would reserve all the news for the paper he was writing for, in detriment to THE FANCIER. This is clearly his policy, and for a progressive body as the A. C. A. wishes to be, this is a very adverse step and will cause it much harm.

We have received a great many letters from amateurs as to which are the best kind of perches and feeding-hoppers. We give on our title page of this issue an illustration of the best perches we know of for a general loft. With the exception of Pouters, we favor no feed-hopper for any variety, preferring to feed from the floor and that at regular times

each day; but for those who prefer the hopper, no better can be found than the one illustrated.

The Owl breeders are bestirring themselves but slowly regarding their specialty club. Come, wake up, brother Owl fanciers, and let us hear more from you regarding your specialty. Don't lag behind the other varieties, but keep her before the fancy continually. Let us hear from the Messrs. Ewald, Feather, Foust and the others that make this variety a specialty and have not as yet given their names.

What threatened to be a serious breach in the ranks of the Peoria Columbarian Association, which in all probability would have led to bitter quarrels and finally disbandment, has been happily averted by the gentlemen at odds very sensibly shaking hands and adjusting their differences amicably. This is a very commendable course to pursue in all such occurrences where fanciers are tempted by some cause or other to quarrel among themselves. Words hastily spoken, in these instances, are often repented of at leisure, and we think there is something better displayed in a fancier's character by coming frankly and openly forward and showing a friendly spirit and exhibiting an inclination to forget, perhaps, what has been angrily spoken, rather than maintaining an attitude of sullen enmity. There is so much more to attract us to the man who is ready to look over slight failings or errors hastily committed and who will, for the benefit and good of the many concerned, say that he is ready and willing to bury the past and start in anew. We are glad to see that the Peoria fanciers think more of and value

more highly the general welfare and success of their club than they do the differences which have occurred in their midst, and the parties more closely connected with it evidently shared the same opinion when they decided to grant such a little concession as to shake hands and be friends again. Boys, you could have disbanded your growing little club and been ten times worse off, and this goes to show that a little discretion used at the proper moment is productive of a good general result, and we don't see where any one has cause to regret the action. If a similar course of action had been pursued in that other affair, of which we have heard so much recently, there wouldn't be so much hubbub now over it, and the fancy not compelled to digest personal abuse of every conceivable nature.

Would-be aspirants to raise specialty clubs and the rest of the fanciers want to take off their hats to the Tumbler men and their club and 'rah with a will. The American Tumbler Club is now a thing of permanence, and the officers and members have put on a good coating of war-paint and are diligently scouting for anybody and everybody who have got anything to say against the little Tumbler or its protector on this side, the American Tumbler Club. It is needless to say that the slate as made up will give general satisfaction. With nineteen members, the club can lay claim to the distinction of being not only the largest specialty club in the country, but also the second largest pigeon organization in the country, leaving out the A. C. A., the N. E. P. A. only taking precedence by reason of greater numbers. But these are breeders of a single variety.

POUTER JUDGING.

Editor The Fancier:

A few weeks ago I wrote you an article on the judging of Pouters at some of our big shows. Since then I met one of our foremost breeders and exhibitors of the Pouter. After a long talk with him on the subject, I am more convinced than ever that what I said in my first article was true. In the course of our conversation, he remarked "that no Pouter could win in this country *unless he was well marked.*" I am afraid this is so—but how absurd it is! While the score card was abolished at the A. C. A. meeting at Louisville, still you have got to score a bird in some way, mentally if no other. If I am not mistaken, the standard on the Pouter promulgated by Messrs. J. W. Acton and Charles Tauiman, and adopted by the A. C. A., calls for six points for crop-marking and four points for wing-markings; that is, you must deduct such a per centum from those points as the bird is lacking in being perfect in those properties, provided that no cut be made of less than one-half point. Not having a copy of the standard before me, I must trust to my memory. I think, though, I have stated the purport of it correctly; consequently, if a bird be perfectly marked he scores the full number of points; if fairly marked he scores, say, four on crop and two and a-half on wings; if poorly marked he scores two on crop and one on wings; if the bird is not marked on either crop or wings or is ring-necked or badly bishoped, he loses all the points set down in the standard opposite those properties. Now if a bird was perfect in everything else and lost all the points for markings he would still score ninety points; if poorly marked, he would score ninety-three points, and so on up. I contend that a specimen that has no markings at all has just as good right to contend for a prize as his well marked brother. True, he comes in badly handicapped; but if his more important points counterbalance his weakness to such an extent as to make him a better bird than others better marked than he, I insist he ought to be awarded the blue ribbon. You can't disqualify a Pouter because he is not marked nicely any more than you can throw one out whose girth you don't like. Be-

tween a good-shaped Pouter with no markings at all and one that is perfectly marked but shaped poorly, give me the former every time.

I have men come in my loft and, after spying some really good bird, exclaim: "Ain't he got dandy legs! He gets up higher than any Pouter I ever saw." Then they will add: "He would be a nice *show bird* if his crescent didn't run up so high, or if he wasn't plain on the wings." There it is again—a show bird! What on earth is a show bird? I claim any bird is a show bird that is shown at some show. The term, though, as is usually accepted I think, means a superior-looking bird. But nowhere have I ever read where it is necessary for a Pouter to be well marked, a Fan to have a certain shaped head, a Jacobin to carry himself a certain way, to be a show bird. If a well marked Pouter constitutes a show bird, I am sure I can collect a whole loft of them in short order at \$3.00 a pair.

The gentleman that made the remark that I quote in the early part of my letter also told me that Mr. So-and-so, one of our noted Pouter judges, would cut a bird all to pieces for having foul feathers on limbs and lower part of limbs. That is pleasant, isn't it? I must again call on my memory for the standard on this matter, and, if it serves me right, it reads: "Freeness from foul feathers, four points." So if every feather on the bird's limbs and lower part of his body be foul, you can only deduct four points; and still Mr. So-and-so will cut a bird all to pieces for having a few foul feathers. I forgot to ask my informant, but I will go broke that the same judge insists on a Pouter being well marked, and as for shape I suppose he figures on it like I would judge a Shanghai rooster—the bigger the better.

I grant everybody a right to their opinion. The large, coarse, straddle-legged, well-marked birds may look more beautiful to some people than do the smaller, more shapely specimens, but I insist most emphatically that the latter are nearer to what the standard demands than the former. If this is so, they ought to win. If the larger bird is the kind wanted in this country you must change the standard. Give them a new name. Call them the "American Pouter" or something else, but don't parade

such birds as Scotch, for they are not. Honestly, I would rather quit raising Pouters than be obliged to confine myself to what I consider unshapely fellows. Now don't understand me to mean that I object to large birds; on the contrary, I want them as long, as well marked and as free from foul feathers as possible, but I will not sacrifice shape to obtain what I consider minor Pouter properties.

H. A. BUDDE.

AMERICAN FANTAIL CLUB.

Editor The Fancier:

I am happy to state that the Fantail Club is coming to the front in fine shape. It will be composed of some of the best men in the fancy, together with a number who are just starting to breed this beautiful type of pigeon and want to "be in good company." Almost the first man to respond was one of our foremost breeders, if not the foremost, who at once offered a silver cup for the best Fan bred in '93 by a member of the club. I will give another cup for the best colored Fan bred in '93. These cups will be given at some big show this fall or winter, when all the members can compete. I know another generous fancier on whom I think we can rely, so that we will no doubt have three nice cups for this year's breeding, which will be quite a nice start for a new club. If any Fan breeder wishes to join the club, I would ask him to send me his address, and I will at once put his name before the club and notify him of its action. What we want are practical breeders.—F. M. GILBERT.

Editor The Fancier:

I see my name mentioned in your valuable paper regarding the formation of a Fantail Club. I, for one, am heartily in favor of having such a club formed as soon as possible, and will do all in my power to make it a success. Now that the ball is started, keep it rolling. Let every breeder of Fantails lend a helping hand and it will not be long before we can have as good and strong a club as there is in America. After we have formed a club we will have better premiums and more competition. We can also decide on a standard to be used. For my part, the American standard is as good as can be had. Come, brother Fantail breeders, let us hear your

opinion. Just think of the vast number of Fantail breeders in this country, and we have no club! It is for the interest of your pets. I am perfectly satisfied that all Fantail breeders will join together and decide what constitutes a typical Fantail before long.—FRED. C. WEISS.

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Editor The Fancier:

In last week's FANCIER Mr. Gilbert proposed a Fantail Club. I will join. Let us hear from other Fantail breeders.—F. D. FOGLESON.

BALTIMORE NOTES.

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BY ROUNDER.

Many a time during the last few months, have I wished I was as sprightly as I was years ago, so that I could get around among the fanciers in order to see their lofts and birds as I formerly did. When the weather improves I hope to at least visit a few that are adjacent to my dwelling, and those I do not visit I hope you, Mr. Editor, will visit and give the fanciers a description of.

Transfers of stock among the Baltimore fanciers have been very lively the past few weeks and many fine birds I am informed have also been shipped to fanciers in other cities. It is such sales annually that go far to hold the fancier to his hobby, for no matter how much money a fancier has, nothing pleases him more than to make a few sales of good birds. Another thing these sales do is, they infuse new blood into the lofts of the purchasers and in many cases enhance the value of the entire collection.

Quite recently I had the pleasure of seeing the birds and loft of Mr. F. A. Rommel. Fred seems not to be a day older than when he had his loft in the rear of his place of business on Broadway, where I spent many a pleasant hour viewing the birds and talking pigeon lore to our hearts content. Fred has been an admirer of Trumpeters ever since I have known him. It has ever been his ambition to have the best in this country, and judging from those I saw while at his place I can safely say that his ambition has surely been fulfilled. The birds I saw are surely a treat to anyone that favors this variety, and a journey of a hun-

dred or more miles will be well repaid. Such foot-feathering, crest and rose I never saw or expected to see on a Trumpeter, or any other pigeon. Then the large bodies—nothing like those we were accustomed to see years ago. Shape! Well I don't know as every one who sees a Trumpeter knows if it is of good shape or not, for I know that nine-tenths of the fanciers hardly ever think of shape when they purchase a bird. The birds in question have certainly good shape and carriage. I judge Mr. Rommel has in the neighborhood of some twenty birds and not a poor one in the lot. Besides the Trumpeters he also has some very fine Shield Trumpeters, Priests, and short-faced Bald Tumblers. These birds he has in a loft underneath his Trumpeter loft which is in the upper part of a large frame building built specially for his pigeons. The Trumpeter loft is about fourteen by fourteen and six feet high inside, and has compartments for several of his choicest pairs. Everything about the loft speaks of the fancier, as cleanliness and neatness prevail. Mr. Rommel informed me that during the breeding season he cuts the rose and foot-feathering of his Trumpeters.

I am informed that the annual election of officers of the Baltimore Columbarian Society will take place on next Monday April 3. May I be permitted to say a few words in all kindness and good feeling. I noticed that during the past year many meetings had to be postponed on account of their being no presiding officers present. This is a very serious matter and should be remedied by all means at the coming election. Of what use is it to elect anyone to the office of president that is forced to stay away from the meetings on account of business. Take my advice and elect some one that can attend at all times. Then there should be more life infused into the meetings and the members should take more interest in national pigeon matters. Have your say about everything pertaining to the fancy. Have your Secretary give reports to the various papers and ten to one you will have a better attendance and the society will make itself felt in the pigeon world.

Mr. Joseph Gavin certainly is far from the truth when he states that I

(Rounder) am the proprietor of THE FANCIER. If it were not that I care not to have my name published, I would give my name at the head of this column, and my identity would no doubt surprise Mr. Gavin as well as many others. Not being the personage alluded to by Mr. Gavin in his unkind cut, I cannot lay claim to the amount of wisdom he accredits me with. No doubt if the Messrs. Gaddess and Rommel were to think back a few years they might be able to guess who I am, but until I care to disclose my identity, Mr. Gavin will have to be content like many more at guessing how close they can come to hitting the nail on the head.

My friend George O. Brown handed me, the other day, a small pamphlet which bears date of January 1875 and which the author described as "A description of the different varieties," is so quaint and droll that I cannot help but have you reproduce it, Mr. Editor, *verbatim*, and which I know will, if not instruct, at least amuse your readers. The following is the first description and is entitled,

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THE BARB CLUB.

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Editor The Fancier:

I heartily approve of your suggestion to form a Barb Club. If other fanciers are ready to organize, I shall be glad to contribute my mite to the success of the club and the advancement of the Barb fancy. There is no more distinctive type of pigeon than the Barb, and none which gives more pleasure in its cultivation,

J. S. RITTENHOUSE.

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BY ARCHIBALD F. HEPWORTH.

From Poultry.

The affection of the mucous membrane is only the local manifestation of the disease and is developed subsequent to the constitutional symptoms. The latter are shown by the bird being off its feed and sitting in an unnatural "puckered up" position, and refusing to move unless forced to do so. It is remarkable, when this disease affects a loft, how variable is its virulence. Some birds are most severely attacked, others but slightly, while others still seem to be immune. Second attacks are rare, especially if the first has been well marked—it is very frequently fatal. *Treatment*.—This will be local and conditional. *Local*.—Clear away frequently as much of the deposit as possible, and paint the parts with a camel's hair brush which has been dipped in the following paint:—Take of chloride of zinc 1 grain, pure glycerine 2 drachms. Mix and dissolve. Apply as directed thrice daily, or bathe the parts four times a day with the following lotion: Take of sulphate of zinc 1 scruple, water 4 ozs. (fluid) dissolve. When the stage of ulceration is reached, dusting the parts with boracic acid (powdered), which may be applied to the throat by means of an improvised insufflator, such as blowing a little of it from the end of a quill, is efficacious. *Constitutional*.—This again divides itself into medicinal and dietetic.

Medicinal.—This disease has a very depressing effect on the circulatory system, and it will be advisable to keep up the action of the heart by means of alcohol. The most convenient way will be to give, by means of a pipette, five drops of ordinary sherry thrice daily. The pipette I use is one supplied by Mr. Wood, surgical instrument maker of York, and costs 2d. It will be found most convenient in administering all liquids to the invalids. But a note as to the method of use is necessary. Do not squirt the fluid into the fauces of throat, as some may enter the windpipe, and find its way to the lungs, and set up acute congestion of these vital organs. Place, then, the aperture of the pipette on the posterior third of the tongue, and express the fluid carefully; in this way the fluid will be swallowed involuntarily, comfortably,

and naturally. It will be necessary to brace up the nervous system by means of tonics. Of these the best is:—Take of tincture of nux vomica, one drop; water, four drops; mix; give with a pipette three times a day. Avoid so-called "specifics;" they are useless. The disease will run a definite course, and it cannot be cut short; but that course may be modified, its virulence minimised, and complications avoided by adopting a common sense treatment of the symptoms. *Dietetic*.—In the same way, as there is no specific medicine or combinations that will cure roup, so there is no variety of food that is especially adapted for this ailment. The difficulty in swallowing, in eating and drinking must be kept in mind, and the food must be accordingly suitable. As long as the birds are able to peck of themselves, give canary, millet, and a little hempseed. If the birds are too ill to help themselves, a bolus must be made of oatmeal, steeped canary seed, boiled rice, &c. If the symptoms are recognised early, and promptly treated in the early stage of the disease, the cramming system is, as a rule unnecessary.

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

AUSTRALIAN PICKINGS.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

There has been a great deal of brisk business between the Colonies of Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia as far as Homing pigeons are concerned, some of the birds from a Mr. John Cameron, of Port Melbourne, Victoria, being of the well-known Baldwin (American) strain; and South Australia, which has been very backward as far as long distances and good times are concerned, has been in want of some good stock, which I think they have now secured. A gentleman residing in Sydney has received from a resident of Melbourne a pair of Homers, the mother of which is designated as "Harts American stocking-leg strain." Perhaps some of your readers will enlighten us on the origin, etc., of such strain.

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A short faced silver-dun Antwerp cock, imported from England by Mr. Maude, of Victoria, and sold to a Mr. W. H. Smith, of New South Wales, has disappeared before King Death.

This bird obtained fourth prize at the Birmingham (1890) Show, and since his advent in Australia has been very successful in the show-pen. He was a grand specimen all through and it will be hard to replace him. He was known by the cognomen of the "Gee" cock.

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Two consignments of pigeons from England, one for New Zealand owners (Mr. Hydges and Mr. Bannister) and the other for Mr. J. Maude, of Melbourne, are on the point of arrival. The former comprise Jacobins, Turbits, Carriers, Dragons, Owls and Homers; the latter consist of Turbits, Orientals, Owls, Magpies, etc. I also hear at this writing that Mr. John Robertson, one of the most enthusiastic, all-round fanciers in Victoria, has received a shipment of Baldheads, Show Homers and Jacobins from England.

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New South Wales is about to lose one of the most ardent admirers of the Homer in that colony, Mr. W. Rackley, who is disposing of all his Homing pigeons, with the idea of breeding fancy varieties. Some of his best birds have gone to South Australia.

WORLD'S FAIR EXHIBIT.

The following information regarding the pigeon exhibit at the World's Fair was given to Mr. J. H. Whitman, of Chicago, who kindly sends it to THE FANCIER. The letter was written by Chief of Live Stock Department Buchanan to Mr. Whitman: "Referring to your letter of the 17th inst., I have reduced the time for the pigeon exhibit to one week, and it will be held Monday, October 16, to Saturday, October 21, inclusive, which I trust will be satisfactory to pigeon fanciers. I am anxious to do all I can to bring about a successful exhibit, and I appreciate your kindly interest in the matter. The judges have not yet been selected."

LOUISVILLE COLUMBIAN ASSOCIATION

Editor The Fancier:

At the regular meeting of the Louisville Columbian Association, held March 20, 1893, the Fanciers' Journal American seamless band was adopted by a unanimous vote as the leg band to be used by this association.

EDW. ORMSBY, Sec'y.

PIGEON ITEMS AROUND BOSTON.

BY OUR BOSTON CORRESPONDENT.

The remarks by "Rounder" in last week's FANCIER in regard to getting up a show, struck me as being about the right idea. There is no doubt but what the success of any show is to a considerable degree due to the Secretary, and unless he knows his business and, as "Rounder" says, can answer forty questions at the same time, the show is very likely to go wrong. The Secretary in getting up a premium list should know just what varieties are most likely to be shown and classify them accordingly. If this is done I think 250 or perhaps 300 classes are enough; there are always a number of classes that do not fill and these could be dropped; there is generally a class for any other variety, and those fanciers who own but one or two pigeons of fifteen or twenty varieties, should be content to show in this class. I noticed any number of classes in New York with but two entries, and some had but one. There must be small satisfaction in a first premium when there are no others in the class.

Boston must have a show next season and some of the members of the New England Pigeon Association have made up their minds to have one. It looks very much as though the American Pigeon Club had gone to smash and it is very doubtful if the pieces can ever be put together again, so there is little use expecting any help from them. We could have a grand show if the Western fanciers would support us; there are enough birds in New England to make 1000 entries, and if things are worked as they should be, I have an idea the association can not only clear expenses but have money left. I am in favor of holding an exclusive pigeon show, but, if this cannot be accomplished, I fail to see any reason why the Bantam Club and the New England Pigeon Association could not combine and have a grand Pigeon and Bantam show. It is evident the fanciers in Baltimore want to have a show next year and I hope they will be able to make it a go. I cannot see how it will be any drawback to the Boston Show. If the Baltimore Association will get up a show and give us a suit-

able classification I think the New England Pigeon Association would be willing to guarantee 100 entries at \$1 each, providing they will guarantee the same number for the show held in Boston. What say you "Rounder." What do you think of this proposition. If you want to raise the blind at 200 we will call you.

"Carrier" says the New England Pigeon Association is the only one in the country that can be looked upon with pride. Thanks, "Carrier" for the compliment, it gives us all great pleasure to feel that we are beginning to be noticed. New members are joining the ranks and the quality of the birds around Boston is continually improving, by next show season we intend to have considerable to say about the blue ribbons at all the leading shows.

A few days ago I was invited by my friend Haven to accompany him on a visit to the loft of George Feather, and not having seen Mr. Feather's birds for some weeks I accepted. We found Mr. Feather at home and were soon among the birds; some great improvements have been made in the quality of the wing Turbits since my last call, we were shown some very fine young blues and reds. Mr. Haven purchased one of the best silver English Owl cocks in the collection and is very highly pleased with his purchase.

I received a call a short time ago from Mr. Paul Weixler and a friend, of Worcester, Mass.; they were spending a day among the pigeon lofts around Boston, and visited Messrs. Blake and Johnson and Mr. Gavin, of Malden. Mr. Weixler has taken a fancy to Swallows and intends to breed some youngsters that will be heard from in the future, from a few pair of fine stock birds he has recently purchased.

Mr. Ferguson has had the misfortune to lose one of his best birds by a hawk. It cannot be a very pleasant feeling to set on one's roof and see a hawk come along and fly off with a bird that is prized very highly and be unable to do a thing to prevent it. I am informed Mr. Ferguson has been confined to the house by sickness the past week. It is hoped he will be able to be among us again very shortly.

The new American rings arrived in time for the special meeting of the N. E. P. A., and most of the members were present to receive their supply. The rings are somewhat better than the first lot sent us, but could be improved on still. The small-sized ones were very poor, and could have been a great deal better if a little more pains had been taken by the manufacturers. The large-sized ones were passable, but cannot be compared to the English ring. I think next year the N. E. P. A. will make an effort to get out a ring of their own, and no doubt it could be done at no more expense to the members than is incurred in the present arrangement. A ring could be made with the register number and the letters "N. E. P. A., '94." Then the letters would signify something pertaining to pigeons. The present letters do not, and should never have been put on.

The Pigeon Fanciers' Annual, published by Mr. C. E. Twombly, Jamaica Plain, Mass., has had a wide circulation, and it has been the intention of Mr. Twombly to send a copy free to every fancier in America. If there are any fanciers who read THE FANCIER and have not received a copy of the Annual, just send your name and address on a postal card and you will receive a copy by return mail free of charge.

I have been asked by a neighboring fancier what to do for eye soreness among pigeons, and, being unable to inform him, I would like to ask if some reader will give us a good remedy through the columns of THE FANCIER. Such will be duly appreciated by myself, and perhaps there are others who may be interested to know the same thing.

ARCHANGEL TRANSFERS.

Mr. George G. Fetterolf, of Langhorne, Pa., has sold to C. J. Pollock, Philadelphia, Pa., seven dark bronze and one light bronze Archangels; to J. Hope, Philadelphia, Pa., one pair light bronzes; to George Hill, Cleveland, O., two pair of dark bronzes; to J. L. Beckett, Smyrna, Del., one pair light bronzes, one light bronze cock and one dark bronze hen. In addition to these, Mr. Fetterolf also reports two other large sales. It is almost needless to state that he advertises in THE FANCIER.

WHAT CONSTITUTES THE ROLLER.

BY W. STEVENS.

[CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK].

I have seen birds roll pretty long the first season of their flying, and I have seen birds not roll at all the first season, though both have had the same training, and the latter birds have rolled much longer than the former in the third season. On the other hand, I have seen birds which have inclined to roll long the first season have rolled down the third or fourth season, and I have seen a bird that showed no inclination to roll until the third season, though he had plenty of flying, and then he developed into a Roller that would roll about 200 feet safely. I wish it understood that when I say that the bird does not roll that it will not tumble or perform. All good Rollers will perform from their first fly or two. I have seen some go over in easy style the first time they tried in their first fly, and I have seen youngsters, from good birds, which have not gone over until they have flown and tried quite a number of times. They would make an effort to go over, and would drop perhaps as much as twenty feet, and would only hang tail after all. Thus they would try and try for quite a number of times before they would finally go over in clean style. They are just the same as human beings. Some children are more adept in doing things than others. The dullard though sometimes shines in maturity, and it is sometimes the case with backward young birds. Some will go on for a year or two or more, and you almost despair of them doing any rolling at all, and yet they may turn out good Rollers in their old age. I have a Roller bred from that very long Roller I have mentioned that I have not seen roll yet, though he is going in his fifth season; and yet I have had young from him which turned out in their second year of flying as pretty medium Rollers as I wish to see.

Though Rollers are peculiar in their methods and times of rolling, they are the most remarkable of the pigeon family. The generality of pigeon fanciers, and especially those who make the Roller their special hobby, never or hardly give a sec-

ond thought to the *essentials* necessary to qualify *adept* rolling. It is thought to be a very great feat for a Homer to get home in good time from a distance of 800 miles. Now dwell a little on such a feat of the Homer and on the long rolling of a good Roller. Your Homer has an intense love for home, an acute sight and memory for places, perseverance and strength and swiftness of flight. You have not any amount of ingenuity in all these essentials necessary for a good Homer. Now make a comparison of these essentials with those which are necessary for the safe rolling of a good, long Roller. A good Roller, in its feats of rolling, requires nerve, confidence, the calculating faculty and presence of mind. The calculating faculty of a Roller, which so nicely adjusts its distance with its presence of mind, exceed all the essentials of a Homer. The Homer is trained by distances. In the first distance or two its intense love of home and acuteness of sight bring it to the loft. When the distances are lengthened out one leap after another, its memory comes into play, and if, perchance, it has a leap of a hundred miles or more, the intense love of home, perseverance and strength, and swiftness of flight, help it over the hundred miles in every direction, until memory, by acuteness of sight, is attracted to a familiar spot that it has flown over before; then home it goes. But it is only one in a hundred—I may say a thousand safely, I think—that performs this feat after lots of training.

Though the Roller flyer may get excited at times, he does not become so intensely excited as the Homer flyer. The Homer flyer is very enthusiastic over his good birds, but the Roller flyer is simply a matter-of-course individual. The Roller flyer does not stop to think whether there is any *remarkability* about the feat a good long Roller has accomplished. He may think it is a good bird and prize it accordingly, but nothing more. He sees his bird rolling maybe ten, twenty, fifty or a hundred feet, and, because such a feat or feats is or are done, one after another, so easy and graceful, they become to him merely commonplace. But there is something more than commonplace in the roll of a bird, be it only six or ten feet. I remember the time when it was thought a great feat for an in-

dividual to turn a clean, swift somersault, but for one to turn three in succession cleanly, before the feet touch the ground, is considered very remarkable. Such an accomplishment requires presence of mind as well as agility, or else the head would be liable to touch the ground first. Now look a little into the presence of mind a Roller must have in stopping itself after going over a certain number of times. The short Roller rolls so far and no farther. Its distance is up to eight feet, perhaps, and no farther. It makes calculations for this length, and there it stops. It may roll shorter, but no longer. Why should it not roll longer? Why not continue on until it is stopped by coming in contact with some object? But no! The presence of mind—or you may term it instinct if you like—says: "I must roll so far and no farther." Roller flyers are so used to such occurrences that they look on such feats as merely a matter of course. They are as unconcerned as if such feats were of no consequence. Yet, there is the fact that the bird will stop at a certain distance. The medium Roller does the same. It will roll up to twenty feet with the revolutions of a two-four gait, and there it stops. At this distance the presence of mind or instinct must be more precise than in the former short Roller. It has a great many more revolutions to make; thus the calculating faculty must do its work with greater nicety, conjointly with the presence of mind. But why should it stop at this distance—not only once, but maybe a dozen times in the course of a fly? Think a little, dear reader, why such a little bird should perform such feats so many times without losing its presence of mind. Of course, it has wings to help it. But why should it shoot out its wings so unmistakably after rolling a certain distance and stop itself? Think ye that superior man can accomplish such feats. There is the more accomplished long Roller performing, still, more dangerous feats, and yet the good little fellow does it with safety.

The rolling may be thirty, fifty, one hundred or two hundred feet. The distance is one of bewilderment to most of us; yet, after going this distance with the swiftest possible speed, it has the presence of mind to shoot out its wings and saves itself from a smash-up.

With what awe and dread of feelings have we looked at the parachutist leap from the car of the balloon, until the parachute is opened and is grasped tightly and is gradually descending to the ground. The same have I looked upon some of my long Rollers when they begin to make a spin until they have rolled their thirty, forty, fifty or more feet and then shoot out their wings and stop their crashing course downward; but the average Roller flyer looks on as a matter of course at such work. It becomes so commonplace to them that they give themselves no further trouble as to the greatness of the feat accomplished. But I ask the reader to give a little thought over the matter—have sympathy for the dear little creatures! Make comparisons with the most wonderful feats of man. Just see what nerve, what confidence, what calculations and what presence of mind are needed to accomplish such feats! Just see how nicely the little creatures adjust their distances before shooting out their wings to stop themselves. They do it not only once, remember, but many times during their fly. I say look at such work from every point of view and see whether there is not some remarkability about such revolutionary movements of these grand little Rollers!

YOUNG DYING.

Editor The Fancier:

Out of a March hatch of six youngsters—four Fans and two Homers—I lost two Fans, one out of each pair. About one week after they were hatched they suddenly died; the weather was warm. One of them had a full crop and the other's crop was about half full. No marks or swellings appeared. The old birds were fed on best wheat and scalded meal, the parent birds being good feeders; and as I have never lost any before in this way, I should be much obliged to know where my fault lies. As I am a subscriber to your paper through my newsdealer, I took the liberty to write to you.

BEAUTIFUL JIM.

[Your young birds evidently died from sour crop, the meal you feed being largely instrumental in bringing about this result. This sort of food is unsuitable for pigeons. Give them peas, what, small corn and tares, if you can get them.—ED.]

✦ HOMING DEPARTMENT. ✦

Open to fanciers of Homing pigeons throughout the United States and

Canada, who are earnestly requested to contribute liberally to this Department.

STRAY FEATHERS.

Baltimore Homing pigeon fanciers are working up, and we hear of no less than three clubs that will be organized very shortly.

The Empire City Flying Club, of New York and vicinity, will fly its old birds over the western course this year, with Chicago as its objective point.

Baltimore fanciers will no doubt fly their birds from the southwest. The western course was tried years ago, but owing to the mountainous condition of the route was abandoned long ago.

Many fanciers contend that they lose many more birds over the western than over the southern course. This is all folly, for I maintain that if a bird is in first-class flying condition, he will home as well from the mountains as from the plains.

Years ago, when I took an active interest in the flying of Homers, I sent two lots of birds on the road, both lots being equal in numbers. One lot were sent over the southwestern course and the other over the western course, with the 300-mile station in view. To thoroughly test each course, I took an equal number of birds of the same breeding for each road and kept strict account of the returns. To better illustrate the matter, I will quote from my old record book of 1883:

Marriottsville, Md., 13 miles, 13 birds, July 11, 13 birds returned; Mt. Airey, Md., 28 miles, 13 birds, July 19, 12 returned same day, one next day; Frederick, Md., 43 miles, 13 birds, July 28, nine birds first day, one fourth day after; Martinsburg, W. Va., 72 miles, 10 birds, August 10, 8 first day, one next day; Okonoko, W. Va., 102 miles, 9 birds, August 20, 8 returned; Bloomington, Md., 127 miles, 8 birds, August 30, 8 returned; Cranberry Summit, W. Va., 156 miles, 8 birds, September 10, 7 birds re-

turned; Burton, W. Va., 200 miles, 7 birds, September 18, 7 birds returned; Wheeling, W. Va., 250 miles, 7 birds, September 28, 5 returned.

The above is the record as taken from my book over the western course. The following is the record over the southern course on the same days: Annapolis Junction, Md., 14 miles, 13 birds, all home same day; Hyattsville, Md., 27 miles, 13 birds, 7 home same day, 2 the next and one ten days after; Washington, D. C., 35 miles, 9 birds, 5 home same day, one next day; Warrenton Junction, Va., 84 miles, 7 birds, all home same day; Orange Court House, Va., 105 miles, 7 birds, 5 returned; Charlottesville, Va., 127 miles, 5 birds, all returned; Lynchburg, Va., 198 miles, 5 birds, 3 returned; Greensboro', N. C., 287 miles, 3 birds, 2 same day and the other next day.

As will be seen from the above, I lost two more birds over the southern course than I did over the western. The birds were all given the same feed and attention and liberated on the same day. It is not so much the road as the birds. For many years Hyattsville was the Waterloo station for the Baltimore fanciers, but when better blood was introduced into the lofts there was no more trouble in getting the birds to home from this place than from any other station. I think it is large cities on the birds' route that are the cause of the losses more so than the mountains.

MT. CLARE HOMING CLUB.

West Baltimore has a new Homing Club, organized last week, and will have over one hundred birds for the road, and be open to all comers, after May 1. Mt. Clare Homing Club, is its name, with the following officers: George H. Kerns, President; Emil Becker, Vice President; C. E. Wagner and Frank Knell, Race Committee and C. A. Schomann, Secretary, to whom all matters relating to the club may be addressed at 1023 W. Lombard street, Baltimore, Md.

PIGEON NOTES.

BY AERIAL.

Pigeon flying in Philadelphia has received quite an impetus in the last few days. I believe that I have already touched on this matter. I refer to the challenge thrown out by the Philadelphia Sterling Homing Club. The members have always shown themselves to be thorough fanciers who are ever willing to enter into anything that is calculated to boom the sport. That they mean business goes without saying. Well, they are fanciers that any organization may well feel proud of; they are fanciers of the cleanest type. Many of my readers will no doubt remember the time when nearly all the clubs of Philadelphia competed in a race together. The fly really emanated from some of these gentlemen, who were at that time members of the old Quaker City Club. About sixty-five birds competed. The race was a splendid success and one of the closest ever flown under Federation management; thirty of the birds made a speed of over 1400 yards per minute. I trust that the clubs in the vicinity of Philadelphia will send a delegate to the meeting which is to be held in the near future.

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| June 6 . . | Norfolk, Va., . . . | 200 " |
| June 14 . . | Rocky Mount, Va., . . | 300 " |
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Mr. William Clementson, also of Philadelphia, had the misfortune to have three young thieves enter his loft in broad daylight. Some very fine S-banded youngsters were stolen, which were afterwards recovered by the above-named detective, who also apprehended the culprits in short order.

THE OWL CLUB.

Editor *The Fancier*:

I was much pleased to read Mr. Klusmeyer's letter last week in regard to the forming of an Owl Club, and think if we can get half a dozen more men as good, the club will be a sure go. Now will some one kindly get an axe and go after Ewald, Lackman, Feather, Foust and a few others who are taking a Rip-Van-Winkle nap, and then we may be able to get this thing started. We have plenty of good material to work on, but it seems to me that it takes a long time to get them interested. Will every Owl breeder in the country who is willing to join the club send his name to Mr. Abel on a postal card? We can then tell whether there is really enough Owl fanciers in America to form an Owl Club. It looks doubtful now. "Strike while the iron is hot," as friend Klusmeyer says, or it may be too late. If we work together it will only be a matter of time—and a very short time at that—until the Owl Club will be a thoroughly established organization. For the good of the grandest pigeon ever bred, will every Owl fancier step forward and put his shoulder to the wheel? If this fails to bring out any new recruits to the club, the writer, for one, will let the matter drop as an impossibility.

The latest thing now in specialty clubs is the Fantail Club (to be), and we are sure it will be a go; at least, we hope so, because every specialty

club helps the fancy at large just that much more. I would be pleased to hear from brother Eckert again and get his views on the formation of an Owl Club. I hope the interest in this club will be more enthusiastic and extended from this time on.

C. W. BUTTLES.

SPECIALTY CLUBS.

Editor *The Fancier*:

I am a very peaceable fancier, but I must say that when I read, "New York Notes" in your last issue by "Carrier," who, by the way, is evidently ashamed to write over his own name, I felt a very decided sensation of being rubbed the wrong way. I think that, instead of calling his communication "New York Notes," it would have been more appropriate if you had lumped the notes together and given them the title of "A Paradox," for he clearly contradicts himself. Substantially, he says he don't take any stock in specialty clubs; that he has watched the progress of all these clubs and fails to see in the least manner how they have helped matters on. I think he must have been observing them through the wrong end of a telescope. I would advise him to get closer, join one; but I hope it won't be the Tumbler Club. We don't want any dead men in that. He says he has watched the progress of all the specialty clubs. Will you kindly inform me how many there are in America? I know of but two, the Turbit Club and the Tumbler Club; and if Mr. Carrier (or possibly it's a Mrs.) thinks these two specialty clubs have done no good for their varieties, he must certainly have been in a hole all winter like any other ground hog, fast asleep. "The advancement of the fancy is due solely to the efforts of Mr. Abel, 'Oriental' and others." Mr. Carrier must surely have been reading the "wealth of sensible articles" written by Mr. Abel and "Oriental" upside down, for as any live fancier in America knows there has scarcely been a single issue of *THE FANCIER* or the *Fanciers' Journal* for months past that did not contain an expression of views from these gentlemen strongly advocating specialty clubs. I wonder if our friend of Gotham is aware that all of these two gentlemen are members of all the specialty clubs in America. Tradition tells us that the Raven is

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Mr. William Clementson, also of Philadelphia, had the misfortune to have three young thieves enter his loft in broad daylight. Some very fine S-banded youngsters were stolen, which were afterwards recovered by the above-named detective, who also apprehended the culprits in short order.

THE OWL CLUB.

Editor The Fancier:

I was much pleased to read Mr. Klusmeyer's letter last week in regard to the forming of an Owl Club, and think if we can get half a dozen more men as good, the club will be a sure go. Now will some one kindly get an axe and go after Ewald, Lackman, Feather, Foust and a few others who are taking a Rip-Van-Winkle nap, and then we may be able to get this thing started. We have plenty of good material to work on, but it seems to me that it takes a long time to get them interested. Will every Owl breeder in the country who is willing to join the club send his name to Mr. Abel on a postal card? We can then tell whether there is really enough Owl fanciers in America to form an Owl Club. It looks doubtful now. "Strike while the iron is hot," as friend Klusmeyer says, or it may be too late. If we work together it will only be a matter of time—and a very short time at that—until the Owl Club will be a thoroughly established organization. For the good of the grandest pigeon ever bred, will every Owl fancier step forward and put his shoulder to the wheel? If this fails to bring out any new recruits to the club, the writer, for one, will let the matter drop as an impossibility.

The latest thing now in specialty clubs is the Fantail Club (to be), and we are sure it will be a go; at least, we hope so, because every specialty

club helps the fancy at large just that much more. I would be pleased to hear from brother Eckert again and get his views on the formation of an Owl Club. I hope the interest in this club will be more enthusiastic and extended from this time on.

C. W. BUTTLES.

SPECIALTY CLUBS.

Editor The Fancier:

I am a very peaceable fancier, but I must say that when I read "New York Notes" in your last issue [by "Carrier," who, by the way, is evidently ashamed to write over his own name, I felt a very decided sensation of being rubbed the wrong way. I think that, instead of calling his communication "New York Notes," it would have been more appropriate if you had lumped the notes together and given them the title of "A Paradox," for he clearly contradicts himself. Substantially, he says he don't take any stock in specialty clubs; that he has watched the progress of all these clubs and fails to see in the least manner how they have helped matters on. I think he must have been observing them through the wrong end of a telescope. I would advise him to get closer, join one; but I hope it won't be the Tumbler Club. We don't want any dead men in that. He says he has watched the progress of all the specialty clubs. Will you kindly inform me how many there are in America? I know of but two, the Turbit Club and the Tumbler Club; and if Mr. Carrier (or possibly it's a Mrs.) thinks these two specialty clubs have done no good for their varieties, he must certainly have been in a hole all winter like any other ground hog, fast asleep. "The advancement of the fancy is due solely to the efforts of Mr. Abel, 'Oriental' and others." Mr. Carrier must surely have been reading the "wealth of sensible articles" written by Mr. Abel and "Oriental" upside down, for as any live fancier in America knows there has scarcely been a single issue of THE FANCIER or the Fanciers' Journal for months past that did not contain an expression of views from these gentlemen strongly advocating specialty clubs. I wonder if our friend of Gotham is aware that all of these two gentlemen are members of all the specialty clubs in America. Tradition tells us that the Raven is

the bird of ill-omen. Carrier ought to take a tumble and change his *nom-de-plume*. Poe tell us that the Raven had the gift of speech, but he never accused the poor Raven of "vocalizing through his Dunlap."

F. S. WALTON.

PIGEONS, AND ALL ABOUT THEM.

BY RICHARD WOODS.

From Fanciers' Gazette.

COLORS PROPERTIES—(Continued.)
THE OWL—Continued.

So much for blues and powder blues. And now for the commonest color of all—silver. Not but that the silver Owl is most pleasing; but the alien blood that, twenty years ago, was so largely infused into the veins of this pigeon has caused the bulk of birds since bred to become this color. It would perhaps be counted treason, or something very near it, if I were to let fall the gauzy veil that has so long shielded the origin of the present type of Owl. On some future occasion I may do so but as my present purpose is to criticise color properties generally, and then offer some practical advice relative thereto, I will not do so now. The color termed silver in pigeon phraseology, is rather an elastic term, for a silver Turbit and a silver Owl are of totally different shades. This statement may cause surprise to some of my brother fanciers, but it need not, for a silver Turbit is a bi-colored bird, and needs a distinguishing shade that is not necessary, or even desirable, in a whole-colored bird like the silver Owl. As stated in my article on the Turbit, a creamy tint is the correct thing for that breed.

In a few words, then, the body-color should be as light as possible and the bar the exact opposite—as dark as possible. Let it be noted that the back or rump is often lighter than the shoulders and under-parts; the belly, thighs, and hocks being in many cases several shades too dark. Now, what is wanted is uniformity; and defects to be avoided are a bronzing on the breast, and a bleached or washed-out appearance of the primary "flights," a drab tint of the latter being both a pleasing and a fitting contrast to the lighter, almost white, body-tint. I have enlarged freely on the bar of the blue Owl; it therefore

only remains for me to apply the same remarks here, with the single addition of a very necessary caution, that care should be taken to keep in check—and stamp out, if possible—the brown bar that is such a quite common failing. It goes without saying that a black bar is the great desideratum, though I have never yet seen a bar that could truly be called black.

And now we come to that pleasing sub-variety, the powdered silver, which rivals the powdered blue in its extreme beauty. Transfer the pale blue body-color to silver, and much of what I have written about the powdered blue is applicable to the powdered silver. The latter, however beautiful it may be—and it is truly beautiful—does not exhibit so striking a contrast of the different shades of color as does the powdered blue; indeed the majority of powdered silvers have a very effeminate look when placed alongside of either blues, powdered blues, or plain silvers.

Blue chequers next claim our attention. It is a pity there are not more of them, this color well befitting any close hard-feathered pigeon. Unfortunately the majority of Owls of this color are very weak in body-tint, and often quite white on the rump; but the markings are invariably good, being neither too heavy nor yet too spare, and moreover clearly defined. (Show Homer breeders might with advantage take the chequered Owl as their model for shape and distinctness of marking.) For silver chequers I have a good word, for nineteen out of every twenty are not only fairly well marked, but also of proper shades of color, *i.e.*, silvery-white in body-tint with dark markings; and here again Show Homer breeders might learn something that would stand them in good stead. It is rarely that we see a so-called silver chequer Owl with dusky-brown or drab markings. Can this be said of any other breed of fancy pigeons in which the silver chequer is a recognised color?

A few years ago white English Owls were encouraged at one of two shows, but latterly they have very properly retired to the background, for the simple reason that white is less in harmony with the hardihood of this breed than blue, silver, etc. Besides, white is the color (it is a moot point whether white is a color at all) that may very properly be consigned to the tiny little foreigner, and about

which I shall have something to say later on.

Blacks, duns, and various nondescript and off-colored shades need scarcely be dealt with, for they should not be recognized in the show-pen; far rather would I extol the virtues of those great rarities, reds and yellows. Alas! how few of them do we see. This is much to be regretted, for good-headed brilliant-colored red and yellow Owls are calculated to evoke the admiration of all true lovers of the rare and beautiful. And from a market point of view, how valuable they would be! Just fancy for a moment a typical-headed yellow Owl displaying that brilliancy of color at present only to be seen on the yellow Dragon or yellow Turbiteen! Again, what would I give to possess a red Owl of that deep blood-red hue as seen on the best specimens of self-colored flying Tumblers? Will no one try his hand at breeding Owls of these colors? Depend upon it, both fame and fortune await the plodding fancier who first succeeds.

A VINDICATION.

Editor The Fancier:

Kindly allow me space in your valuable paper to place this unfortunate matter in controversy in its proper light. Mr. Hager evades the real issue under the plea of "proposition." Mr. Hager made the following statement: "That he (Gilbert) would give \$100 to have Glasgow judge those Fans." This statement was made by Mr. Hager when he was President of the Nashville Columbarian Association. As to the colored Fan combination, it was public talk between Mr. Hager and quite a number of Nashville fanciers.

The above statement is correct and true, and at the proper time I shall prove to the fanciers of America that Mr. Hager, in his fanatical opposition to the Nashville Show, resorted to every false and corruptible method extant to bring about its failure. I denounce Mr. Hager's statement as false as published in your issue of last week.—J. J. AMBROSE.

In breeding for the table no variety is more suitable than Runts. They are very large, and fair breeders if attention is paid to their wants. As for the profit to be derived, I hardly think there is any.

AMERICAN TUMBLER CLUB.

THE OFFICERS ELECTED—A MEMBERSHIP OF NINETEEN.

Two more fanciers' names enrolled for membership in the American Tumbler Club, Mr. J. J. Carter, Highlandville, Mass., and Dr. Charles L. Lang, Meridian, N. Y. This makes a total membership of nineteen to date. I have had replies from fifteen members out of seventeen who received copies of circular-letters on the subject of voting for an appropriate club name, for officers, amount of dues, and upon limiting the membership. Nine vote for the name, "The American Tumbler Club." Five vote for the name, "The American Long-faced Tumbler Club," one member votes on question of dues only, apparently not being interested in anything else. Joseph Gavin receives eleven votes for President, J. H. Whitman one, T. S. Gaddess one, and F. S. Walton one. F. S. Walton receives thirteen votes for Secretary and Treasurer, and Joseph Gavin one. Thirteen votes for monthly dues of twenty-five cents; one vote for dues of fifty cents monthly, and one \$2.00 yearly. Thirteen votes for an unlimited membership and one member votes for a limit of thirty-five. It will therefore be seen that it has been the pleasure of the club to elect for its President, Joseph Gavin; Secretary and Treasurer, Frank S. Walton. "The American Tumbler Club" has been adopted as the club's title. The monthly dues have been made twenty-five cents and the membership unlimited.

As there is no immediate use for funds, I would suggest that the payment of dues be made in a yearly remittance of three dollars, this remittance to be made a month or two prior to the holding of any large show in which the club may feel enough interest in to offer specials. This, I think, would be much better than making monthly remittances of twenty-five cents each, which would make twelve times as much bother as the one payment yearly. Unless I am instructed by a majority of the club to do otherwise, I shall consider it their wish to agree with me in this matter and shall act accordingly.

To those Tumbler fanciers who have been holding back to see whether the club would be a success

before lending their aid and influence by joining, I would like to say now, with all sincerity, that they need not hesitate any longer. A membership of nineteen in a specialty club of scarcely three months' existence is not at all a bad showing, and the club's success is, without any doubt, assured. I will be pleased to receive the name of any reputable fancier for membership and trust that those fanciers referred to above will hold back no longer.—F. S. WALTON, Sec'y.

ALL O. K. IN PEORIA.

Editor The Fancier:

It is with regret that I recall to your mind the articles that appeared in your issue of March 3 and 16, in regard to the awards of Magpies at our last club show and the defense of the same by the defendant. I would like to say for the interest of the Peoria Columbarian Association that the gentlemen have shook hands and apologized to one another, and that there is perfect harmony among all of us again and that we hope it will remain so in the future, as we do not want to have our club disband, as we have but lately added two more to it and we would like to get all of the boys in it, as there are quite a few here in the city.

WM. H. KOCH, Vice-Pres't.

STRAY THOUGHTS.

Have you white-washed your loft? If not, do so at once.

If you have any odd birds after mating up for the season, either purchase mates for or dispose of them. You will find it better than keeping them odd.

If you live in the country or suburbs of a town and wish to keep flying pigeons, I would advise you to get either Norwich Croppers or Pigmy Pouters, they are both good flyers and very interesting.

I have found that as a general food for pigeons during the breeding season nothing is better than peas, tares and wheat, with an occasional handful of hemseed.

Many fanciers have not as yet mated their birds and it is a question if they are not as well off as those that have.

A very important small thing about the loft is a nest pan. These should be either of wood or earthenware and should be well cleaned after each pair of young are raised and brushed over with benzine or turpentine after being cleaned.

To make your birds fly well keep them cooped up for several days and then let them out early in the morning before having fed them. Make them fly as best you can and then allow them to enter and feed. If you repeat this for a week or ten days you will soon have a good lot of flyers.

Maize as a staple food for pigeons is not to be recommended for birds that are kept penned up, mixed with other food it is very beneficial to the birds.

Your birds should have access to a bath about twice a week, but on such days, where they can get in the sun to dry off their plumage, before night comes.

I noticed a neat nesting box at Mr. Rommel's the other day, which is specially adaptable to large varieties that should nest on the floor. The box in question has no bottom; one end has a large hole cut in it, through which the bird enters; in the centre of the box is a large nesting pan. The good quality of this box is that the fancier needs only to raise the box to see how the young are getting along without disturbing the old bird or the young.

Have plenty of lime, gravel and granulated bone where the birds can get it; or better still, give them what is known as "salt cat," made by mixing equal parts old pounded mortar, gravel, clay, a little salt, some cummin and caraway seed, with water, into a paste, and drying same in flower pots or other moulds of suitable size.

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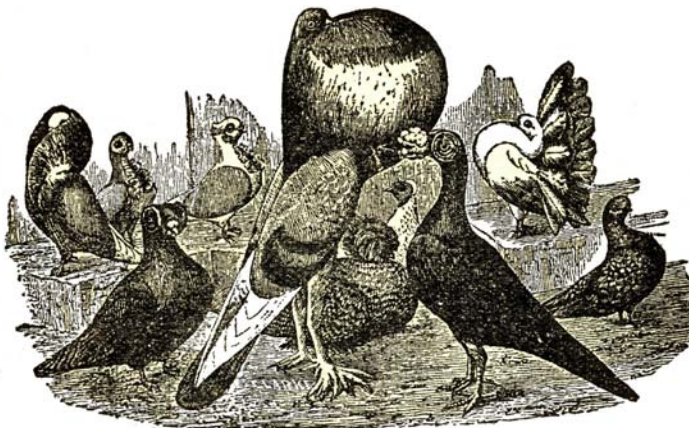
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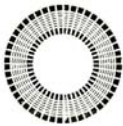
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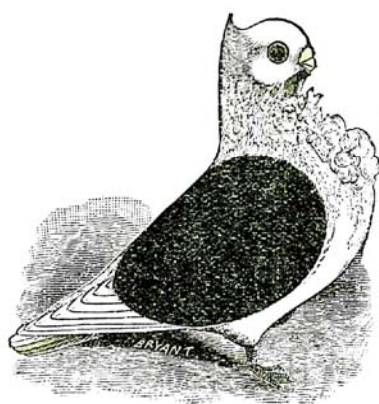
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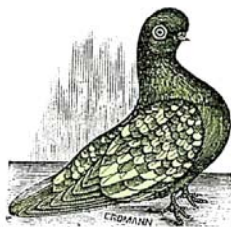
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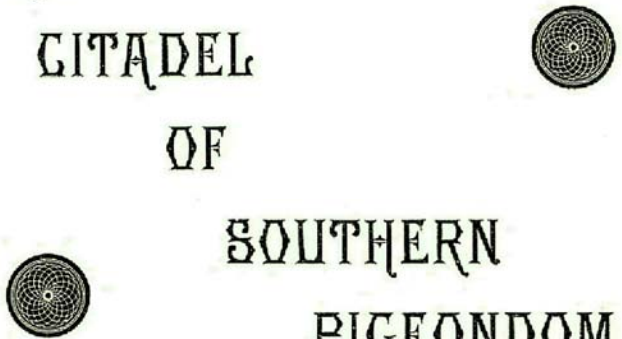
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