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action will be treated as ended, and the deposit will be returned to the depositor.

5.—A SATISFACTORY PURCHASE.—When a transaction has been completed to the satisfaction of both depositor and seller, both parties must at once return the deposit receipts as a guarantee of its completion. The depositor must at the same time instruct us to pay over the deposit to the seller.

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MEALWORMS, 1/3 1,000, 4/- lb., 18/- box; beetles, 150 1/-; alive ant eggs, 1/6 pint, 2/6 qt.; all carriage paid: Pearson, Importer, Greenwich.

MEALWORMS, 650 1/-, 1,000 1/6, 1/2-pint 2/-, pint 3/4, quart 6/4; dried flies 1/9; ants' eggs 1/3 lb.; carriage paid: Pierpoint, 47, Henshaw-st., Waltham.

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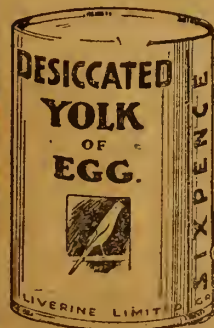
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ONE Sulphury Seedcater, 12/6; 1 St. Helena Seedcater, 5/-; 1 Angola Singing Finch, 10/6; 1 Rainbow Bunting, 35/-; Indigo Blue Bunting cock, 10/-, hen 7/6; Red Collared Lories, 85/- pair; Cordon Bleus, 4/- pair; Green Singing Finches, 3/6 pair; Greys, 4/6 pair; Black and White Bengalese, 4/6 pair; Fawn, 3/6 pair; Steel Finches, 3/6 pair; Avadavats, Bronze-wings, Napoleon Weavers, Paradise Whydahs, Orange Bishops, 3/- pair; Orange-cheeks, Pink-cheeks, Waxbills, Cutthroats, Silverbills, Masked Weavers, Bronze Manikins, Nuns, Java's, Spice Birds, Waxbills, Weavers, all 3/3 genuine pair; list free from Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1707)

RED-FACED Lovebirds, choice, 30/- pair; pair Cuban Couneus (Conurus cnpus), little rough, 50/-; pair Cockatiels, 17/6; pair Brown-fronted or Little Macaws, £7; Festive Amazon, 25/-; Bluefront, 35/-; Halfmoon Parakeet, 7/6; Blossomhead, 25/-; Maximilian's Pionus, 60/-; Shama, singing, 35/-; Green Bulbul, 35/-; Lorry Thrush, Mexican, 20/-; White-throated Jay Thrush, 27/6; pair Cuban Thrushes, 65/-; pair Black-crested Himalaya Buntings, 50/-; Indigoes, cocks 12/6, hens 10/6; Black-headed Sibia, 15/- each; pair Demoiselle Crane, £6 10/-; pair Egyptian Flamingoes, £7; White Egret, large, £5; pair Blue Egrets, £8; Sunbittern, £6; Curasson, £6; large Blue Gullinaks, 70/- pair; Tinamon, 70/- pair; a further consignment South American Ruddy Flamingoes to arrive: Cross, Menagerie, Liverpool.

RED-FACED Lovebirds, 45/- pair; G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1707)

ZEBRA FINCHES Grand selection of choice Zebra Finches, in finest health and condition, 8/6 pair, hen 4/9 each; approval: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1707)

BUDGERIGARS FINE healthy Green Budgerigars, bred in outdoor aviary from unrelated parents; adults 5/6 per pair, 6 months old, 4/-; E. Brown, Sherburn, E.R., Yorkshire. (1701)

TALKING BLUE Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk, 45/-; easy payments accepted. (995)

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Canaries, 2/ each, 3/6 pair; Greenfinches, 1/-; Redpolls, 1/-; Green Budgerigars, large birds, in perfect plumage, 5/6 pair, five pairs 21/-; Yellow Budgerigars, 7/6 pair; Zebra Finches, 7/6 pair; White Javas, 6/6 pair; Grey Javas, 2/6 pair; Madagascar Weavers, 4/6 each, full colour; Bengalese, 2/6 pair; Chinese Buntings, 3/6 pair; Bibbiches, 2/6 pair; White-head Nuns, 3/- pair; Orangecheeks, Waxbills, Cutthroats, 2/6 pair; Golden-breasts, 3/6 pair; Cordon Bleus, 2/- each; Lavender Finches, show plumage, 7/6 pair; Silverbills, 2/6 pair; Doves, 2/6 pair, etc.: Mrs. Martin, 91, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1693)

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Outdoor bred, unrelated, greens, 5/-; yellows, 6/3; Cockatiels, 20/-; Javas, 4/-; Lovebirds, 4/-; Patterson, Glencly, Wellington, Salop. (1696)

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Budgerigars, finest possible, outdoor bred, 5/- pair; selected breeding pairs, 6/-; yellows, 8/-; over 1,000 hardy foreign birds, from clean, well kept aviaries, from 1/6 pair; list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (1133)

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Grey Parrots, finest selected talking birds, 63/- each; Amazon Parrot, 100 of the finest Blue-fronted Amazon, in grand condition, very clean, healthy, hardy birds, chattering freely, 25/- each; real good talkers, 35/- and 45/- each; splendid young Indian Green Parrots, 6/6 each; other, commenced to chatter, 8/6 each. Before purchasing a Parrot send for our terms and particulars; finest selection in Europe; call and inspect, or send a post-card and we will forward list and terms: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1707)

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Long-tail Grassfinches, 25/-; Gondian Finches, 30/- pair; Shamahs, 40/- each; Dyal Birds, 40/- each; Black-headed Sibia 12/6 each; Crimson-crown Weaver Birds, showing colour, 6/- each; Napoleon Weaver Birds, showing colour, 3/6 each; Virginia Nightingales, 25/- each; Chinese Yellow, Brown-backed Buntings, 3/6 each; Quaker Parakeets, 4/6 each; White-headed Lovebirds, 2/6 pair; Avadavats, showing colour, 2/6 pair; Scarlet Madagascan Weavers, 3/6 each; Violet Tanagers, 10/6 each; Necklae Tanagers, 15/- each; Indigo Buntings, 10/- each; Red-headed Finches, 10/- pair; Combsouss, showing colour, 2/6 pair; White Java Sparrows, 6/6 a pair; Zebra Finches, 6/- pair; Jamaica Troupials, feed from hand, 20/- each; Silky Cowbirds, 4/6; Bay do, 4/6 each; Ortolan Buntings, 1/- each; Mexican Grobeaks, 15/- each; 1 Collins, 20/-; young Ring-necked Parakeets, 4/6 each; Black-throated Rain Quail, 5/- pair; Blue-fronted Amazons, 25/- each; Bronzewing Mannikins 2/6 pair; Orange-cheek Waxbills, 2/6 pair; Green Singing Finches, 3/6 pair; Bengalese, 3/- pair; Spice Birds, 1/6 pair; Cutthroats 2/6 pair; Black-headed Mannikins, 1/6 pair; Silverbills 2/6 pair; Senegal Waxbills, 2/- pair; Grey Java Sparrows, 2/- pair; Green Adult Budgerigars, 5/- pair; all birds in the best of health and feather, sent entirely at my risk on approval; deposit with Editor. Note address: C. A. Luer, 87, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

JOHN D. HAMLYN

The arrivals last week were two Cuban Humming Birds, sold for £10, and six Cuban Ruddy Flamingoes, sold for £82 10s; also the usual small consignments from abroad; 1 very fine show condition Black-headed Sugar Bird, 50/6; Violet Tanager, 12/6; Necklae Tanager, extra fine, 20/6; Tricolour, 30/6; Blue Tanager, 20/6; Hen Hooded Siskin, 30/6; Cock Hooded, 20/6; Hen Spotted-billed Toucanette, 40/6; Cock spotted billed, 40/6; Giant Greenbilled Tanager, 40/6; Australian Piping Crow, 40/6; show condition Red Collared Parakeet, absolutely perfect, living outdoors, 32/6 each; 1 Browns, very fine, 60/6; pair Scaly-breasted, 80/6; pair Cockatiels, 20/6; pair Ring-necked Parakeets, 20/6; pair Half-moons, 20/6; splendid Ceram Lory, 40/6; Feccial Amazon, 30/6; Porto Rico Amazon, 20/6; Red Buff Macaw, 70/6; Hen-erected Curasow, 80/6; Caracara, 60/6; a few Australian Finches left, three pairs Pectoralis, 20/6 pair; four pairs Yellow-rumped Finches, 20/6; three pairs Longtailed Grass, 20/6; two pairs Masked Grass, 20/6; two pairs Zebra Finches, 6/-, hens 4/6, cocks 2/6, all in usual fine condition; White Javas, very fine, 6/6 pair; Grey Javas, 2/6; twelve African mixed birds for 10/6; Indigo, 15/6; Saffron, 4/-; beautiful Black Indian Mynah, sent on receipt of 20/6; Whistling Chinese White-eyed Thrush, 20/6; White-headed Thrush, beauty. List sent on application. Telephone, 6341 Avenue: John Hamlyn, 221, St. George's-st., London Docks, East.

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Young Wagtails, 1/6; Black-headed Sibia, 12/6 pair; Scaly-headed Finches, 21/- pair; Red-vented Bulbuls, 6/-; Orange-cheeks and Waxbills, 2/6 pair, 9/- dozen; Quaker Parrots, 4/6; hand-reared Jay, 3/6; Owl, 4/6; Saffron Finch, 3/6; Bleeding Heart Pigeons, 50/- pair; Jerboas or Miniature Kangaroos, 7/6; bushy-tail squirrels, 4/-; cavies, all colours, 2/- pair, 10/- dozen; Ortolan Buntings, 1/6; Australian Yellow Rumps, 17/- pair; Shrike 4/6; Zebra Finches, 7/6 pair; hand-reared Raven, 25/-; Avadavats, 2/6; White-throat, 3/6; Jamaican Troupials, 20/-; Hooded Siskins, 35/- pair; handsome Yellow-winged Sugar Birds, 20/- each; Bengalese, 3/-; adult breeding Budgerigars, 5/- pair; Yellows 8/-; African Rock Buntings, 20/- pair; Toucans, 30/-; Blue Pie, 25/-; Finch Larks, very rare, 20/- per pair; thousands bright-coloured Finches, 2/- pair, 9/- doz.; Frogbit 6d. doz.; American Water Fawn, 6d. portion. For all kinds of rare and fancy fish, food and aquarium appliances, also reptiles, see price lists: Haugness, 15/-; Blue-throated Warbler, 12/6; Carolina Ducks, 30/- pair; White Call Ducks, 14/- pair; Widgeon, 10/-; Price lists: De Von, 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London. Phone, 5489 Wall. (1697)

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of all kinds on our four months' trial, signed talking warranty, also acclimatised foreign birds from outdoor aviaries; holder thousand testimonials, bear names and address, many lovers of birds had birds from us by our instalment system well satisfied; fortnightly instalment accepted. (1682)

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WHITE and Grey Java Sparrows, Love Birds, Canaries, one Budgerigar, very cheap; Dewe, Clock House, Abingdon. (1707)
SALE or useful exchange, two pairs Borders, 11/6; six Canary-reared Linnets, three Linnets Males, all on seed and healthy; cheap to clear: Peter at Rutherford, 55, Walkergate, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1702)
GIVING up Fancy, owing pressure of business; all birds for sale, 1913 and 1911, at bargain prices; accept reasonable offer for lot or part; cash; no postcards: Mrs. Clemence, 151, Lordship-lane, East Drivich. (1706)
GIVING up; twenty outdoor aviary birds, including five Canaries (Blue cock), two Yellow Budgerigars, two Goldfinches, Goldfinch Mule, White Java, Cuthberts, Redpolls, etc.; some grand songsters; 33/- lot; a bargain: F. Hunt, 132, Westbourne-av., Hill. (1704)
GENUINE exhibition Scottish cock Goldfinch, put Norwich hen to nest just now, in perfect breeding condition, clear bill, sell 10/-; also Bull Norwich cock in full song, J. W. Thomas' strain, 1913 bred, really good bird, 10/-; William Mitchell, 4, Gillsburn-pl., Kilmarnock. (1704)

WANTED.

OLIVER, 2, Bridport Place, Hoxton, will give 5/- a couple for good large young Yorkshires.
WANTED, any live stock you wish to clear, write: Pearson's Menageries, Greenwich. (1696)
WANTED, young and old Canaries, state prices; Manger, Bird Stores, Kirkgate, Wakefield. (1707)
WANTED, good music and songs for cash; list to: K. A. C., 9, Ivydale-rd., Nunhead, S.E. No post-cards.
WANTED Edison Gramophone and records cheap for cash; approval: F. Morris, Recreation, Chertsey, Surrey. (1703)
WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds: Mrs. Martin, 95, Cowdens-st., Glasgow. (1905)
WANTED, Birds, Monkeys, Parrots, Pigeons, Hats, Dogs, Squirrels, Poultry; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1707)
WANTED Yorkshire terrier bitch puppy for 5 Norwich Ashbirds, sell 11/-; J. Birch, Post Office, Mayfield, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (1701)
WANTED pair 12 yards clap nets, exchange six pure Black Minorcas, February hatched: William Sparkes, Tindall-lane, Beverley. (1705)
WANTED lady's or gentleman's tricycle, carrier tricycle, or Bath chair, cheap, or give talking Parrot: S. Marshall, 14, Fishergate, Nottingham. (1703)
WANTED Canaries on song, also British birds; honourable dealings only: Andrews, 16 and 16a, Howick-st., Monkwearmouth, Sunderland. (1705)
WANTED hand-reared Magpies, Jackdaws, and Jays for spot cash, or exchange young Roller Canaries: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (1707)
The Flap Young Bird Feeder, 1/3, post free, with full instructions, by return, from: C. H. Goodman and Co., 24, Bedford-rd., Kempston, Bedford.
WANTED, best cash offers for a nest of four hand-reared Bullfinches, two months old, healthy, will perch on finger, etc.: Cockram, Tatworth, Chard. (1703)
WANTED, Crystal Palace aviary: exchange gent's box calf shoes, size 10, hand-made, misfit, price 25/-: E. Gane, 136, Parkwood-rd., West Southbourne, Bournemouth. (1704)
NOTICE, will give 6/- per pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire, colour fed preferred; also wanted, Border Fanciers, Crests, and Scotch Fanciers: McKand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1685)
BIRDROOM wanted, lean-to or span, about 6ft. wide, height and length not particular; rough sketch stating price, please; I am a buyer of cheap songster Canaries: Wingate, 2, Middle-st., West Smithfield, E.C. (1706)

1914 Canaries wanted, any quantity for cash: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1707)

WANTED, 1914

Yorkshires and Norwich, any quantity; cash deposited; also Mules, British; state price, particulars, stamp reply: Oliver, 2, Bridport-place, Hoxton. (57)

WANTED

Clean, healthy, 1914 bred, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, best price given, any quantity bought for prompt cash: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1706)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

EXCHANGE hen Hawfinch for Goldfinch or Bullfinch, or will sell: A. Foley, 4, Picton-st., New Boutham, Lincoln. (1703)
EXCHANGE fine pair of Greenfinches, 1912 birds, cock proved muler, for fly rod and line: Banks, Albert-rd., Evesham. (1704)
GOOD cock Goldfinch Mule, good cock Goldfinch with rich blaze, 12/-; the two, 1913 birds; exchange good Yorkshire cock Canary, approval both ways: Goodman, Abbey-rd., Bourne, Lincs. (1706)

Mainly Canaries.

FOR sale, six 1913 Roller hens, 9/- lot; or exchange; what offers: A. Hawkins, Rumer-hill, Cannonk. (1703)
TWO large Norwich hens, and 3 Yorkshire hens, 15/- the lot: Greig, 29, Vale-rd., Finsbury Park, N. (1704)
SIX young Canaries, 6/11 22/-, or exchange Geyser in good working order: F. Swain, 321, Upper-st., Islington. (1704)
NORWICH cock, three hens, clears, and large cage, 10/-, or useful exchange: Hutchins, 75, Whitworth-rd., Northampton. (1702)
ONE Schoolmaster, 4 young cocks, muling Linnets and hen, 25/-; part exchange: 35, Wellfield-rd., Preston, Lancashire. (1704)
EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock and show cage for cycle carriers or baby carrier for cycle: Fowler, Wark-st., Chester-le-Street. (1703)
TWELVE Rollers, one 1913 cock, 11 young, as bred, will exchange double barrel gun; approval: Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldesley. (1701)
FOUR Crest-birds, 1914 rung, two vari. Crest-bred hens, 1913, 18/-, worth double; exchange: J. Gillespie, 19, Allergate, Durham. (1702)

WILL exchange champion York-hires and Norwich for 5/1 gold plate, jewellery or cycle: Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1706)
EXCHANGE Yorks and Norwich Clears, also Greens, for gun, or cash; no rubbish: Spencer, Tnbrid, Brosna, Roserea, Ireland. (1703)
NOTICE, Wanted, all varieties Canaries; will give good exchange in Norwich, York-hire, or Border show cages: McKand, Seabright, Castle Douglas.
EXCHANGE high-class Norwich and cages for Nightingale on song, or hose pipes, or anything useful: Middleton: Cricketers' Arms, Holbeck Moor, Leeds. (1705)
TWO well bred Yorkshire cocks for sale, or exchange Rollers on full song: Bache, 159, Farnham-rd., Handsworth. (1707)
TWENTY young Canaries, York-hires, mostly all coming into song, from 6/- to 7/6; my own breeding, can be seen any time: Kent, Holmwood Stubbs, Feud-ton Grove, Hendon. (1703)
EXCHANGE good pair of York-hires for large 1914 Norwich hens, yellows, or cock Goldfinches; approval; no dealers: E. Carroll, 18, Robert-st., Oldham-rd., Failsworth, Manchester. (1705)
EXCHANGE high-class Yorks., Budgerigars, talking Parrots all varieties, for trap brass, copper, block tin, gold, jewellery, toy puppies; offers, stamp: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1708)

Mainly Foreign.

THREE Avadavats, one Fire Finch in cage, complete, cash or useful exchange: Meaden, Tisbury, Wilts. (1704)

Miscellaneous.

SEVEN good Homing Pigeons, to sell for 5/6, or exchange: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris, Cambs. (1705)
TALKING Quaker Parrot, cheap, exchange, anything cycling preferred: Henson, Whyke-lane, Chichester. (1704)
WANTED gentleman's Sports Suit or Jacket cheap, cash or exchange; letters only: W. B. C., 38, Azabny-rd., Peckham, London, S.E. (1707)
PERSIAN kittens, males, orange, cream, black, 12/-, or exchange Yorkshire dog: Hooker, Willesboro, Ashford. (1702)
HAND-REARED cock: Weed-Pigeon, braced for Pigeon shooting, 5/6: Knott, 91, Burghley-rd., Keston, Town. (1706)
EXCHANGE Canaries or British birds for set of goat harness; few goats for sale: Cooper, Princess-st., Manchester. (1702)
GOOD Norwich cock and cage, 7/-; 4 Flying Homers, 2/- pair; exchange anything useful; chickens wanted: Sidrs, Southwell. (1703)
NORWICH and British, also cages and three tins mealworms, cheap; exchange Grey Parrot: 25, BK, Doris-grve, Leam. (1703)
EXCHANGE cycle, in perfect running order, two brakes, for any sort of Canaries, sell 30/-: W. White, Rumbly Hill, Crock. (1705)
EXCHANGE for Canaries, Budgerigars, or British, pair of men's strong boots, new; offers: Baker, 1, Watery-lane, Preston. (1705)
EXCHANGE set Sandow's developers and exercise chart for pair Norwich or Rollers; approval: Walker, 5, Amanda-st., Bulwell. (1702)
I WILL exchange field glasses, compass inserted, for stamp collection: Lucking, Hollycirt, King Edward's-ave., Chelmsford. (1701)
EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch Mule, full song; hen Goldfinch, breeder; anything useful; approval: 81K, 3, All Hallows, Worcester. (1698)
FINE ten: Guitar Zither Harp, 10/-; 1-plate hand-camera, 5/-; bargain; exchange birds: Howland, Bookmaker, Ockendon, Essex. (1704)
ONE pair of 12ft. by 4ft. nets, all complete, to be exchanged for birds, or what offered: Mr. Power, 18, Eawest-st., Manchester. (1699)
EXCHANGE lady's blue serge costume, waist 24, length 42, for Canaries: Williams, 40, Middleton-buings, High-st., Islington. (1701)
GENT'S cycle, running order, 22, exchange Canaries, good British, Foreign birds; offers: Martyn Leigh, 89, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1704)
STRONG aviary, in good condition, also Lark's cage; exchange for Goldfinches or Bullfinches: Wright, 201, Boxley-rd., Maidstone. (1704)
SPLENDID collection birds' eggs, side-by-side, two cabinets, with divisions, brass blow-pipe, accept 35/- lot: "B", 136, Warton-st., Lytham. (1707)
NEST Canary-reared Brown Linnets, three cocks guaranteed, 1/- each, lot 2/6; exchange anything: Ernest Whiteley, Crowle, Doncaster. (1707)
TWO brass hanging cages, Roller singing cabinet, three Lox cages, lot 10/-, or exchange young Roller cock: Booth, 3, Crew Nest, Burnley. (1702)
SPLENDID Gramophone (new), with six double records, sell 30/-, or exchange birds, etc.: Jopson, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1705)
EXCHANGE good Hunting crop, thong 7ft. long, Malacca handle, for pair good Rollers and cock Goldfinch: Clue, Hyde Park-rd., Southsea. (1694)
EXCHANGE excellent cock Linnets Mule, full song, for good singing Water Glueke Roller, sell 10/-: T. Cooke, Grocer, York-st., Cambridge. (1703)
WANTED, Edison Standard Phonograph; exchange birds and cash; state particulars: Humphreys, Brighton Vale, 3, Blundellsands, Liverpool. (1707)
The Flap Young Bird Feeder, 1/3, post free, with full instructions, by return, from: C. H. Goodman and Co., 24, Bedford-rd., Kempston, Bedford.
1914 LINNET Mules, cocks, 6/- each; child's cycle carrier, 5/-, exchange for boots, 8/-, or suit, fit 5 x 6; anything useful: Lugg, 15, Avenue-rd., Branksome, Dorset. (1705)
I BUY, sell, or exchange birds or livestock for others, or household goods, etc.; honest transactions: Jopson, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1705)
TAME performing pet monkey, throws somersaults, very amusing, 25/-; or exchange talking Parrot, Canaries, etc.: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1702)
TWELVE high-class briar pipes, retail price, 5/- each; carved meerschaum and block amber pipe in case, worth 30/-; offers wanted: Smith, 5a, Chapel-st., Edgware-rd. (1677)
GENT'S smart frock coat and vest, nearly new, chest 39, length 42; exchange birds or anything useful: Pettie, 136, Parkwood-rd., West Southbourne, Bournemouth. (1704)
IRISH terrier dog, 4 years, good house dog, fond of children, exchange for Canaries value 15/-, or something useful: E. Vickers, 2, Shrivess Cottages, Colne, Engaine, Essex. (1699)

Club Reports.

GLASGOW (East End) O.A.

Meeting, Mr. D. Harris chair. For the F.F. show we had a very good entry. Mr. A. Stewart, sen., judged. SCOTCH FANCY: 1, 4, McRoberts. PLAINHEADS: 1, Burnett; 2, 3, 4, 5, Scott. BORD.: 1, 4, Feott; 2, 5, Wilson, 3, Percy. After Secretary had read over winners, Mr. Harris moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Stewart for his voluntary services.—D. Burnett, Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Meeting at headquarters, Marlboro Hotel, July 8, a splendid gathering dealt with a full agenda; Mr. Willmott chair. In submitting the first young bird show report, the chairman said he was pleased that it had proved a splendid success. Although the entries had fallen to 50 birds, no loss had been entailed, and he hoped that members would make an effort to send a record lot for the July show on the 18th. Mr. Baker is to judge and more splendid specials have been presented; entries close afternoon of the show. Presentation of prizes and specials brought the meeting to a close; the lecture which had been arranged for the evening has been postponed until August meeting.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting July 7. See report of that the patronage of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League had been secured. Schedule of the young bird show on or about July 22 was arranged. The chairman, Mr. Vale, then gave the meeting a lecture on British Buntings. He described the habits, etc., of the five British Buntings, also their show points, and gave hints on colour feeding and exhibiting them; his remarks were very interesting. At the conclusion of his address Mr. Vale acted as final judge in a judging competition; only three birds were benched, a Corn, a Grl, and a Reed, and although the majority of the members fancied the Corn, Mr. Vale placed them: Reed 1st, Corn 2nd, Grl 3rd, and Mr. Whitton was the only fancier to get full points. Mr. Vale then explained why he had so placed the birds, and easily satisfied the members as to the wisdom of his judging.—A. R. Coo.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting July 9, Mr. Havenhand presiding. Mr. J. R. Webster should have given us a paper on colour-feeding, but we greatly regret he was unable to attend. We had, however, several questions raised which provided some very interesting discussion. We also managed to raise enough cash to secure a handsome cup; this was brought to the meeting for our inspection. We have now five cups, one each for members Yorks, members Nor., novice Yorks, novice Nor., and British. There is also a movement on foot, which I have no doubt will be successful, to secure another for the best bird, irrespective of section, exhibited at the annual show, to be won three times in succession or four times in all before becoming the member's own property. Surely, with six cups to compete for members will make our annual show a record one. I consider that never in the history of the society has the outlook been more promising for a successful future.—E. Johnson, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting July 13, Church Institute, Paddington-street, Mr. W. H. Shepherd chair, and 25 members present. Correspondence was read and dealt with. Mr. G. E. Robertson and Mrs. Howick were nominated for membership. The hon. sec. announced points gained for various cups at young bird show: Champ. Nor. Cup, F. J. Martin, 29; Border, A. H. Hobden, 49; teapot for champion, ladies, Mrs. Thyme, 74; teapot novice ladies, Mrs. Holden, 14; Mrs. Weston's points cup, Mr. Beavington, 8; Wynn points cup, Mr. T. Sayer, 12. Prize-money and specials won were presented. Votes of thanks were unanimously passed to donors of specials; to the stewards for assisting, and to our worthy secretary, to whom the success of the show is due. Mr. Murgford addressed the meeting on "Off the Beaten Track". His remarks were the result of his own practical experience, and not theory. He objected to the modern earthenware nest-pans as unhealthy, and preferred wire or wood, and perforated wire bottoms, so as to ensure plenty of ventilation through the nest; he believed in green-food for getting birds into condition, as seed and egg-food made them too fat. This season he had reared young birds entirely on green-food, not giving them egg-food until seven weeks old. Ventilation of the bird-room was very essential; as a staple food grass seed was preferable to canary seed; it was not advisable to take more than two nests from each pair; from two pairs of Borders this season he had 24 young birds, and they were again sitting on nine eggs between them. From the remarks of Messrs. Curtis, E. J. Martin, F. Knight, Cobb, Sanders, Shepherd, and Wynn, who joined in the discussion, they preferred to be "on" rather than "off" the beaten track. Votes of thanks to Mr. Murgford and the chairman closed the meeting.—Fred. Thynne, Asslt. Hon. Sec.

BRADFORD NATIONAL SHOW COMMITTEE.

Our last meeting (Mr. H. H. Towers chair) was very well attended, and much enthusiasm was shown, which speaks well for the success of our next annual show, December 4 and 5. The Roller classification was discussed and a vote of thanks accorded to the Wakefield Roller Society for so generously changing their date, and so leaving a clear field for this great charity show. This action on the part of Wakefield is appreciated very highly, and I take this opportunity of publicly thanking them for their splendid help on behalf of charity. I believe they are the oldest provincial Roller Society, and have held this date for a considerable time, and are worthy of all the thanks we can give them. The Foreign Bird classification was dealt with, and after reading a communication from Mr. A. Silver, Secretary of the F.B.E.L., it was decided to provide seven classes by dividing class 120 of last year to read as follows: (1) Common and Green Avadavats, St. Helena, Grey, Orange-checked and Zebra Waxbills, Corlon Blues, Laxevader, Common, African, Fire and Zebra Finches; (2) Grey and White Javes, Bengalese, Black-headed, White-headed, Two-coloured. Three-coloured, Striated, Sharp-tailed, Spice, Magpie and Bronze Mannikins, Silver-bills, Singing Finches, Common Cuckoos, Ribbun and Saffron Finches, Orange Napoleon and Red-billed Yellowlegs. The League very generously guaranteed these two classes against loss, and the League's diploma will be granted in case of any new species appearing. Points for the four Sectional Cups will count at this exhibition. It gave us great pleasure to welcome Mr. C. R. Bullen, of Bromley, Kent. He was at our last show, and assured us of the desire of many fanciers in the South to visit our show if only the railway com-

pany would put on an excursion. He took upon himself to call a meeting of Southern fanciers to formulate some scheme, and expressed his willingness to do all in his power to persuade Southern fanciers to exhibit, and thus return the compliment to the Yorkshire men, pointing out that the Crystal Palace and L.C.B.A. shows would lose much of their charm if it were not for the Yorkshire exhibits and exhibitors. Any one interested in the excursion should watch C&B Banns for notice, or communicate with Mr. C. R. Bullen, 43, Walpole-rd., Bromley, Kent.—S. Midgley, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting July 1. W. P. Smith chair. Letter read from Morpeth refusing the patronage after having asked for it. Decided that Cranlington show be awarded the patronage. Notice of motion was given by Mr. Copie re counting of points for judges at patronage shows. Table show next meeting. Judges: Champions, Mr. A. Afflett and Mr. W. P. Smith; Novice, Mr. A. Montgomery.—M. C. Potts.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting July 4, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, Mr. Wm. Marsh chair. Very moderate attendance of members. Schedule for annual show drawn up. Members elected: Mr. J. R. Carr, Chopwell; Mr. D. Page, Lintz Colliery and Mr. R. South, Blackhall Mill. Will all members try and attend our next meeting to consider a fund for purchasing a cup. Subs. now due.—Jameson and Johnson, Secretaries.

FARNWORTH C.B.S.

F.F. show, July 11, Church House. About 50 birds were staged. Judge, Mr. J. Hopkins, Bolton. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Spilly. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Spilly. NOZ. YELL.: 1, Dawson; 2, c. Lawton; 3, vhe, he, Mitchell. BUFF: 1, 3, Dawson; 2, vhe, c. Mitchell; he, Parlington. ROLLERS: CL.: 1, 2, Kenwright. ROLLERS, A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Chappell; vhe, c. Horsfield; he, Hodgkinson. CAN. A.O.V.: 1, Parlington. GOLDF.: 1, 2, Mullineux. LINNET: 1, vhe, he, Hulme; 2, Parlington; 3, Chappell; c. Mullineux. FOR.: 1, Hodgkinson.—W. Dawson, Sec.

PORTH & RHONDDA VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters, July 11, not a big attendance, after the show. I hope all members will attend next meeting, July 25, as prize money will be paid. Also a club will be proposed for a trip to the next Palace Show. Our show of July 9 was, on the whole, not a bad success considering it was our first show; entries were not large, but good birds were exhibited. Mr. Caestre judged. Mr. T. James was very successful, securing several 1st prizes, also special for best Canary, and special for best bird in show. Mr. Stone and Robinson took special best and second best Brit. Mr. Baker's Yorks. were fine, winning second best Canary in show, and some 1st. Other successful exhibitors were Hillman, Legg, Evans, Smart, Jones, etc. I hope to see a good meeting July 25, and that every member will try to push the society on by telling everyone about it, attending every meeting, and giving all encouragement to the novices. I am sure by pulling together we can make the Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S. one of the best societies in Wales.—J. S. Jones, Sec. (Please write on one side only of each sheet of paper.—Editor.)

Singing Contests.

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KNOTTINGLEY.

Open time singing contest, at the White Swan, July 19, 2s. 6d. added to 3d. entry. (Now you time singers). Entries to be made to J. W. Pearson, Sec., White Swan.—(Adv.)

CASTLEFORD.

Linnets contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, July 11. 28 birds entered for four minutes' time singing for three prizes, 1, 2, Wainwright; 3, Brindley.—J. Brindley, Sec.

SHEFFIELD.

Open contest for time, Linnets to sing three minutes, July 12, Columbia Tavern, Forham Street. 16 birds sang for three prizes, given by Mr. J. W. Schofield, 1, Spottswode, 50 sees.; 2, Ashton, 42; 3, Calligan, 59.—W. Bingham, Sec.

CORNFORTH.

Linnets Singing Society meeting will be held July 18, at 7. New members elected: W. Kell, H. Spencer, T. Pattison, G. Scorer, J. Stubbs, T. Burke, N. Merrington.—W. Fairless, East Howle, Ferryhill, Co. Durham.

PONTEFRACT.

Weekly Linnets contest, Woodman Inn, July 4. 27 birds entered for three prizes, and some good singing was done; four minutes' time sing, 1, Proctor; 2, Nelson; 3, Beard. Open sing, July 5, 34 entered for three prizes: 1, Beard; 2, Williams; 3, Proctor. Club sing, July 11; 28 entered for three prizes: 1, 2, Beard; 3, Proctor. Open sing, July 12; 29 entered for three prizes: 1, Proctor; 2, Scott; 3, Beard.—S. Pugh, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Open Linnets contest for time, July 11, Headquarters, Commercial Hotel, before a good company. 1, Plovs; 2, Cooper; 3, Bath. A. Bath held the winning position until the last two birds were lining, when Plovs and Cooper ran him into third place. Timekeepers, J. Bath, O. Potter; trappers, A. Bath, J. Wallis.—A. Tomlin, Sec.

LEEDS.

Contest for quality Linnets singing, Albion Hotel, Saville York Road, July 12. 19 sang for three prizes. 1, Hayes; 2, Farrar; 3, Stand. Judges, Naylor and Lacey.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec. Leeds Linnets and Canary Club contests, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, July 11. First contest: 1, Hayes; 2, 3, shared, Chippindale and Ward. 20 birds, second contest: Chippindale and Playforth shared 1, 2, 3; 16 birds. A match was sung between Chippindale and Playforth. Chippindale won. Judges: J. Hargreaves and A. Lorrinan. July 12, match proved a success, 22 birds faced the judges. C. Lorrinan, G. Johnson, and N. Solomon. 1, Brophy; 2, Wigfield; 3, Chippindale.—A. Lorrinan, Sec.

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The Shows.

SOUTHPORT & DISTRICT C.B.S.

P.F. show, July 4, when a nice lot of birds far d the judge, Mr. W. E. Kay. There was a shortage of entries compared with former years, many birds only having had an indifferent breeding season. 8 nice nice Norwich were on view. Yorks class were more numerous; many were dropping into moult, but Mr. Kay handled them very painstakingly and efficiently.

YELL. NOR. 1, 2, 3, Sutton; vic, he, Cockson; c, Johnson. CL. BUFF. 1, 2, 3, Sutton; vic, he, Cockson; c, Johnson. VARI. 1, 2, 3, Sutton; vic, he, Cockson; he, Whit head. YORKS. YELL. 1, c, Nixon; 2, Wright; 3, he, T. Wright; vic, Whitehead. CL. BUFF. 1, Nixon; 2, 3, he, c, T. Wright; vic, Whitehead. VARI. 1, 2, Nixon; 3, Hirst.

SUTTON-IN-ASHFIELD C.B.S.

Annual P.F. show July 4. Entries did not turn up very well, but class birds were the order of the day. Mr. Sans judged, and his office was no easy one.

CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. NOR. 1, Shepherd; 2, Vardy. VAR. OR DK. YELL. 1, Shepherd; 2, Vardy. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. 1, W. Keeling; 2, Shepherd; 3, Vardy. VARI. OR DK. BUFF. 1, Shepherd; 2, 3, Vardy. CREST. 1, O. born. C.B. 1, O. born. BRIT. HARBILL. 1, Admitt; 2, 3, Gabbitt. MILE OR HYB. 1, Admitt. NOV. CL. OR TKD. 1, 3, Taylor; 2, Holland. VARI. OR DK. YELL. 1, Holland. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. 1, Leivers; 2, A. Keeling; 3, vic, Holland. VARI. OR DK. BUFF. 1, Taylor; 2, A. Keeling; 3, Holland. YELL. YORKS. 1, 2, Robinson. BUFF. 1, Robinson. CREST. 1, Leivers; 2, Whitehead. C.B. 1, Whitehead; 3, vic, Sankey; he, Wardle.—Robin Hood.

GARSTON B.B.A.

Annual N.F. show July 4. Canaries were not up to expectations, owing to some members being away on holidays and a moderate breeding season, but a grand display of British was on view. Mr. W. Young (New Brighton) judged, and his awards were well received. Most points throughout show, Rothwell 61, Lloyd 30, Lowe 27, Lonsdale 26, Simmons 22. Mr. Rothwell leads with 21 points for the Tate Cup, Mr. Lowe winning sp for best Yorks.

CL. OR TKD. YORKS. YELL. 1, 2, Lonsdale; 3, he, Rothwell; vic, Lowe. BUFF. 1, 2, sp, Lowe; 3, vic, he, Rothwell. GR. YORKS. 1, 2, Rothwell. MULE OR HYB. 3, 2, Lloyd. GOLDF. 1, Lonsdale; 2, Rothwell; 3, Simmons; vic, Lloyd; he, Bryant. GREENF. 1, Simmons; 2, Lonsdale; 3, Rothwell; vic, Jones. BULLF. 1, Rothwell; 2, Lowe. LINNET. 1, Hilton; 2, Lowe; 3, Lonsdale; vic, Rothwell; he, Price; c, Jones. SISKIN. ETC. 1, Rothwell, Redpoll; 2, Jones, Siskin; 3, Rothwell, Twite; vic, Simmons; he, Hilton; c, Low. BRAMBLE. ETC. 1, Price, Chaffinch; 2, Lloyd, Yellowhammer; 3, Rothwell, Chaffinch; vic, Simmons; he, Jones; c, Rothwell. IEN. 1, Lloyd, Bramble; 2, Simmons, Bullie; 3, Price, Bramble; vic, Jones; he, Lowe. A.O.V. 1, Hilton, Redstart; 2, Lloyd, Hawfinch.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

F.F. show British and Foreign, July 4, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria. The birds were well staged and several were picked out as likely to moult out prominent winners. Special for best Nor. went to A. H. McLean with a nice light var. yell.; best Bord., J. Campbell; best Crest or C.B., A. Abraham, with a promising Crest; spl. best Yorks., M. A. H. McLean for buff 1st at Yorks C.C. of Scotland previous Saturday; best young Mule or Hyb., J. Roxburgh, Redpoll-Goldf. Judges—Canaries: Mr. W. Priest; Brit. and For., Mr. T. Frazer, and the perfection of their awards added greatly to the success of the show.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. 1, Hannah; 2, McLean. VAR. OR GR. 1, sp, McLean; 2, Hannah; 3, Ritchie. BUFF. CL. OR TKD. 1, McLean; 2, 3, Ritchie. VAR. OR GR. 1, 2, McLean. BORD. (10) 1, Campbell; 2, c, Donaldson; 3, vic, McEwan; he, McGowan. YELL. VAR. OR GR. (13) 1, Campbell; 2, Wilson. BUFF. CL. OR TKD. 1, sp, 2, Campbell; 3, he, Donaldson; vic, McGowan; c, McEwan. BUFF. VAR. OR GR. 1, c, Crow; 2, McLean; 3, vic, Campbell; he, McGowan. CREST. 1, sp., Abrahams; 2, Roxburgh. C.B. 1, Abrahams. YORKS. YELL. 1, McLean; 2, Hannah; 3, c, Wilson; vic, Cameron; he, Clemson. BUFF. 1, sp, 2, 3, he, McLean; vic, Hannah; c, Cameron. MULES: 1, Gillies; 2, 3, McGowan. HYB.: 1, sp, Roxburgh. GOLDF.: 1, sp, Hannah. BULLF.: 1, sp, Hannah. LINNET: 1, McLean. GREENF.: 1, sp, McEwan. SISKIN: 1, McEwan. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Hannah. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, sp, McLean. SOFTBILL: 1, sp, McLean. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, sp, Donaldson. A.O. FOR.: 1, Donaldson. MULE: 1, Hannah. HYB.: 1, McLean.—A. H. McLean, Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Members' Show, July 4, St. George's School Rooms, a great success, taking into consideration the very poor breeding results of the present season, 189 birds being staged. Mr. A. Chew, Leeds, judged Canaries, and Mr. J. Isherwood, Wakefield, British, and both gave entire satisfaction.

CL. YELL. YORKS. (10) 1, Rhodes; 2, Marsh; 3, Ramsden; 4, c, Beckwith; vic, Sykes; he, Chambers. TKD. OR VAR. (9) 1, 2, Marsh; 3, c, Beckwith; 4, vic, Ramsden; he, Pyrah. CL. BUFF. (11) 1, c, Hall; 2, Marsh; 3, Norton; 4, Rhodes; vic, Sykes; he, Beckwith. TKD. OR VAR. BUFF. (10) 1, 4, Beckwith; 2, Pyrah; 3, Norton; vic, Chambers; he, Sykes; c, Hall. CL. YELL. NOR. (11) 1, he, Wilson; 2, c, Toot; 3, Livingstone; 4, vic, Mennard. TKD. OR VAR. YELL. (8) 1, 3, Livingstone; 2, Toot; 4, Johnson; vic, c, Wilson; he, Hall. CL. BUFF. (12) 1, Norton; 2, Wilson; 3, 4, Livingstone; vic, Toot; he, Mennard; c, Johnson. TKD. OR VAR. BUFF. (10) 1, 2, Toot; 3, Wilson; 4, vic, Johnson; he, Chambers; c, Livingstone. A.O.V. CAN. (6) 1, 4, Mennard; 2, 3, vic, he, Hornby. LINNET (10) 1, 3, 4, vic, Owen; 2, he, Haigh; c, Waind. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (9) 1, Pyrah; 2, 3, he, Haigh; 4, Owen; vic, c, Waind. REDPOLL. ETC. (10) 1, 4, Haigh; 2, vic, Owen; 3, he, c, Middleton. GREENF. (7) 1, 3, he, c, Middleton; 2, 4, Haigh; vic, Chambers. A.O. BRIT. HARBILL (7) 1, sp, vic, Haigh; 2, 3, 4, he, Middleton; c, Owen. MULE OR HYB. (8) 1, 4, he, c, Middleton; 2, Owen; 3, Haigh; vic, Clapham. NOV. CL. YELL. YORKS. (8) 1, 3, vic, Featherstone; 2, 4, he, Reed, Longley and Reed; c, Dobson. TKD. OR VAR. (9) 1, Simmo; 2, vic, Dobson; 3, Clapham. CL. BUFF. (9) 1, vic, Fifth; 2, 3, 4, Reed, Longley and Reed; he, Wadman; c, Dobson. TKD. OR VAR. (9) 1, c, Fimms; 2, 4, Reed, Longley and Reed; 3, he, Dobson; vic, Wadman. CL. YELL. NOR. (2) 1, Lundy; 2, Cummings.

TKD. OR VAR. (5) 1, 4, Lundy; 3, Cummings; 2, vic, Norwood. CL. BUFF. (1) 1, 3, Cummings; 2, 4, Lundy. TKD. OR VAR. (9) 1, vic, Cummings; 4, Lundy; 2, 3, Norwood. Leaders of the various competitions are: Members' Specialists: Hugh 37, Middleton 35, Owen 37. Section Medals, Yorks, Mar 23, Beckwith 28, Ramsden 12. Nor., Toot 29, Livingstone 27, Wilson 21. Brit., Haigh 37, Middleton 35, Owen 21. Nov., Reed, Longley and Reed 31, Dobson 18, Cummings 16. Sp. A.O.V. Can., Hornby 12, Mennard 9. King Bird Cup, Toot 19, Wilson 18, Livingstone 17, Norton 17. Sp. for h.c. bird, presented by Mr. W. Bolton, Leeds, was won by Mr. R. Haigh's Yellow Hammer. If any of the above results are not correct please notify me.—R. Norton, Hon. Sec.

CHOPPINGTON (Scotland Gate).

First N.F. show, Social Club Hall, July 4, was a great success. Mr. Thompson sent his team of Foreigners, not for exhibition, and they were the attraction of the show. The arrangements were ably carried out by Messrs. Turner, Seely, Paxton, Griffiths, Dixon, and Donald. Mr. T. Rigg proved a very capable sec. Mr. R. Rowell judged.

CHORLEY C.B.S.

Annual N.F. show, July 4, White Lion Hotel, a good room and well lighted. Mr. J. H. Welch, hon. sec., had things in good order. There is a marked improvement in the quality of birds this young society are putting down. Mr. E. Ball (Wigan) judged and his awards gave general satisfaction.

BUFF NOR. (11) 1, 2, Irving, 1st var., good head and neck, very promising; 2nd rather older; 3, Welch. YELL. (8) 1, 2, 3, Irving, 1st var., big bounding 1st d, capital round head, good body feather, 2nd close up BUFF, NOR. (4) 1, Welch, big foot buff-green, broad skull and good front, rare subs.; 2, Braid; 3, Worthington. YELL. (1) 1, Foster, plenty of size and full of col. YORKS. BUFF. (5) 1, Langton, good head and neck, level col., well staged, should moult a champion; 2, Hatch, close up; 3, Worthington. YELL. (2) 1, 2, Hatch. BUFF. 1, Owens. LINNET: 1, Langton, good nut-brown, steady bird; 2, 3, Gemson. GOLDF. (5) 1, Balshaw, splendid blaze and markings and good feather; 2, Longton; 3, Southworth. BRIT. HARBILL: 1, 3, Langton; 2, Gent. SOFT-BILL: 1, Turner. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Welch; 2, Braid; 3, Worthington. FOR. (7) 1, Balshaw; 2, 3, Worthington.

WOOD GREEN F.A.

F.F. Show, July 4, Assembly Rooms. Entries were fair considering we unfortunately clashed with another local society; Mr. J. Hodder judged. Under the management of Mr. A. W. Brand chairman, and Mr. Tolfree show sec. we made a success of this our sixth annual show.

CHAMP. YORKS. 1, 2, Jones, fair buff. NOR.: 1, Pettitt, yellow, nice feather and size, fails head. CREST: 1, Pettitt, var. chest, wins; 2, Jones, fails only crest; 3, Pettitt. C.B.: 1, 2, Pettitt, fair specimens. BORD: 1, 2, Jones, winner nice yellow. NOVICE YORKS.: 1, Tolfree, yell. cl., fine length and style, wins special 2nd best in show; 2, Tolfree, very typical; 3, he, Huggins, neat; vic, Everett. BUFF: 1, 2, vic, Tolfree, leader grand size, in moult, should make a topper; 3, Everett, neat bodied bird; he, c, Huggins. VARI. 1, (3 specials) best in show, Everett, grand even mkd., stands well away; 2, 3, vic, Tolfree, real good team, 2nd in moult, close fight. MULE: 1, 2, Jones, Goldie Mule leading. GOLDF.: 1, Shillito. LINNET: 1, Pettitt; 2, Tolfree, larger, loses in colour. FOR.: 1, Jones, grand Siberian Goldie. Special for best in Champion, Mr. Pettitt's Crest; best Novice, Everett's winning Yorks. Next meeting and show, July 14.—T. Calligari, assist. sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

F.F. Show took place Boy Scouts' room, Station Hill, July 1. 51 birds were staged in a light and cool room, well fitted for the occasion. Mr. W. G. Fellows, Southampton, judged, and gave every satisfaction. During the evening he gave members some very useful information and was ever ready to respond to any question, and this was very much appreciated by all. The sec. and committee worked well.

NOR., UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Page, tkd., good birds; 3, Alderslade. OLD BIRDS: 1, Page, good buff, grand size, fine form; 2, Cook, nice large bird, little out in feather; 3, Lacey; vic, Vale; he, Alderslade. YORKS. UNFLIG.: 1, Thornback, vic, Alderslade. OLD BIRDS: 1, Thornback, rather small, but good; 2, Alderslade, close up. A.O.V. UNFLIG.: 1, Alexander, very smart Border, fine trim; 2, Lees, Roller; 3, vic, Page, Border; he, Alderslade. MULES UNFLIG.: 1, Alderslade, Goldie-Can., very smart. OLD BIRDS: 1, 3, Hartnell, two grand light Goldie-Cans.; 2, Page, Goldie-Can., well out, splendid feather. GOLDF.: 1, vic, Vale, good blaze, well tapered, wins easy; 2, 3, White, two good birds, not quite so large as winners. BULLF.: 1, White, nice cap, good col.; 2, Alderslade, larger, but lacks col.; 3, Lees. LINNET: 1, White, fine big bird, well mkd.; 2, vic, Alderslade, splendid lacing, but fails size; 3, Woolgar; he, Cook. GREENF. OR CHAFF.: 1, White, fine Greenf., grand col. and size; 2, Clark, good bird, close on winner; 3, Vale; vic, Woolgar; he, Lees; c, Cook. REDPOLL: 1, White, fine Mealy, well mkd.; 2, Lees, another good one, close on winner; 3, Woolgar, well mkd., not so large. A.O. HARBILL: 1, Vale, fine Reed Bunting, well staged. FOR. A good class and some nice birds: 1, Saffron Finch in nice form and feather; 2, he, c, Case; 3, Alderslade; vic, c, Thornback; c, Lacey.—J. Alderslade, sec.

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RUNCORN B.B.A.

Young show, July 4, headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms. Nearly 50 were on view; quality was very good and competition was very keen. In the champ. section Mr. Boots staged a grand team of Yorks, and Mr. Hayes must be congratulated on his team of Norwich. Mr. Joe. Gray sent a fine team of Crests and C.B., which won him the cup. The Novice section were all there for type and quality. Mr. Bates showed a fine team of Norwich, which only lost him the cup by one point. The Yorks class had some good birds. Mr. Hampson (Penketh) judged, and his awards were well received.

CHAMP. YORKS. (7) 1, 2, 4, c, Boots; 3, vic, Sutton; he, Jones. NOR. (9) 1, 2, Hayes; 3, Guy; 4, vic, J. Guy; he, Jones; c, Boots. NOR. GREEN (3) 1, 2, Hayes; 3, Guy. CREST OR C.B. (7) 1, 2, 3, vic, c, Jos. Guy; 4, he, Guy. NOV. YORKS. (9) 1, c, Spruce; 2, vic, Whyte; 3, 4, he, Poole. NOR. (7) 1, 2, 4, vic, Bates; 3, he, c, Faulkner. E. Rone, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

P.F. Show, Tramway's Restaurant, July 9. Mr. T. L. Castree, Mountain Ash, judged, and his awards were well received. Mr. Jones is a most obliging secretary, and although the society is composed chiefly of young blood, the future promises well when we find such experienced fanciers as Messrs. Legg, Challenger, and several other experienced fanciers taking an active part in the welfare of the society. The Plain-head shown by Mr. T. James is a very promising bird, and well deserved its place as best Canary, also best bird in show. Mr. Hillman's cap and wing marked yell. Yorks. 2nd best Canary in show, is a very stylish bird, and should be heard of again. Mr. Stone's Bullie also only wants careful handling to hold its own in good company, and well-deserved the spl. for best British, the same owner's Linnet, spl. for 2nd best Brit., with a little more size would be a topper. The officers and committee are a hardworking and painstaking lot of fanciers of the right grit. At the close the successful exhibitors were presented with medals, etc., and a very fair attendance of visitors made up a neat and pleasant evening.

NOR., CL.: 1, sp, best Canary, and best in show, James; 2, Hillman; 3, Smart. TKD., ETC.: 1, 3, James; 2, Evans. YORKS., CL.: 1, Baker, TKD., ETC.: 1, sp, 2nd best Canary, Baker; 2, Hillman. BORD. CL.: 1, 2, Evans. MKD., ETC.: 1, Evans. ROLLERS. MKD., ETC.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vic, Jamco, GR., ETC.: 1, 2, Hillman. MULE AND HYB., Old Birds: 1, Stone, 2, Legg; GOLDF.: 1, Jones. BULLF.: 1, Stone; 2, Hillman. LINNET: 1, 2, 4, Stone; 3, Legg. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Legg. GREENF., ETC.: 1, Jones.

WALTON (Everton) C.B.S.

First N.F. Show, headquarters, 111 birds were staged, a record for a night nest feather show here. Mr. Fred Handley, and Mr. John Walker judged, and everybody was satisfied. Quality was well to the fore, and there should be keen competition with the novices later. We have got plenty of good specials, the novices being well provided for. We sincerely thank all the members who helped us in our first venture. Messrs. Broadbent and Wilkins rendered good service, while Mr. Parsons looked after the exhibits.

CHAMP. YORKS. YELL.: 1, c, Skilling; 2, vic, Handley; 3, Algie; he, Tom Evans. BUFF.: 1, 3, Handley; 2, c, Tom Evans; 3, vic, Algie; he, Skilling. MKD. YELL.: 1, Skilling; 2, 3, Handley; vic, Steinart. BUFF.: 1, 3, Handley; 2, Algie; vic, Skilling. VARI. YELL.: 1, J. F. Jones; 2, Parsons; 3, Handley; vic, Draper. BUFF.: 1, Handley; 2, J. F. Jones; 3, vic, Roberts; he, Evans; c, Parsons. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, Algie; 2, Handley; 3, he, Parsons; vic, c, T. Evans. BUFF.: 1, Algie; 2, he, T. Evans; 1, Parsons; 2, Steinart. BUFF.: 1, he, T. Evans; 2, 3, Parsons; vic, Algie; c, Steinart. BORD. YELL.: 1, Pullen; 2, 3, vic, Howcroft. BUFF.: 1, 3, Pullen; 2, vic, Howcroft. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, c, Broadbent; 2, Lowe; 3, Draper; vic, he, Williams. BUFF.: 1, Williams; 2, Douglas; 3, he, Bush and Burns; vic, Broadbent; c, Roberts. MKD. YELL.: 1, Draper; 2, Broadbent; 3, Kewn; vic, Douglas. BUFF.: 1, Roberts; 2, he, Williams; 3, vic, Broadbent. GREEN SELF BUFF.: 1, 2, Kewn. FOUL BUFF.: 1, Lowe; 2, Williams. GOLDF.: 1, 2, Rothwell. BULLF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Wilkins. LINNET: 1, vic, Rothwell; 2, Wilkins; 3, Lowe. GREENF.: 1, Wilkins; 2, Rothwell; 3, Lowe. BRAMBLE, ETC.: 1, 2, Wilkins; 3, Lowe; vic, Rothwell. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, Wilkins; vic, Lowe.—Robinson and Burns, hon. secs.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Annual N.F. show July 4 in the Foresters' Hall, an excellent hall for such a function. Entries totalled 148, which, under the general cry, "Poor breeding season!" we consider good. Yorks made a capital section, Norwich, if anything, proving still better. British and foreign were grand. Mr. E. C. Job, the popular and energetic secretary, once again proved his worth, and along with Mr. R. Colton of Mule fame, who knows exactly what is required, they used the reins magnificently. Mr. G. Fletcher was here, there and everywhere, always doing the right thing at the right time. Two great assets are Mr. T. Dawn and Dr. Craig, chairman and treasurer. Mr. J. A. T. Woodall acts as vice-chairman in a most able manner, and gives of their part well as stewards. Special winners: Yorks. Spencer; Nor., Lawton; Crest, Richardson; Hardbill, Walsh; Softbill, Bearder; For., Fletcher. Mr. J. C. Barnes judged, and his awards were well received.

CHAMP. YELL. YORKS (7) 1, 2, vic, he, sp, Spencer; 3, c, Ridal. BUFF (7) 1, Ridal; 2, 3, Spencer. VARI. (8) 1, 3, vic, Ridal; 2, he, Spencer. YELL. NOR. (12) 1, he, sp, Lawton; 2, Tow; 3, vic, Matthews. BUFF. 1, he, Waters; 2, 3, ditto. VARI. (18) 1, Waters; 2, Matthews; 3, c, Richardson and Ibberson; vic, Holt; he, Lawton. CREST (1) he, Bagnall. C.B. (1) c, Bagnall. GOLDF. (3) 1, Fletcher; 2, Bearder; 3, Colton and Dawn. BULLF. (3) 1, Walsh; 2, Fletcher; 3, Milne. LINNET (6) 1, Fletcher; 2, 3, Walsh; vic, c, Bearder; he, Milne. GREENF. (2) 1, Fletcher; 2, Colton and Dawn. REDPOLL. ETC. (3) 1, 3, Milne; 2, Fletcher. A.O.V. (4) 1, sp, Walsh; 2, Milne; 3, Colton and Dawn. SOFTBILL SMALL (3) 1, Walsh; 2, Fletcher; 3, Milne. LARGE (2) 1, 2, Bearder. WAXBILLS, ETC. (9) 1, Ibberson; 2, Kuypers; 3, vic, he, Fletcher; c, Snape. PARROTS (2) 1, sp, Fletcher; 2, Baxby; 3, Fletcher. A.O.S. (9) 1, Kuypers; 2, Baxby; 3, Colton and Dawn; vic, c, Fletcher; he, Ibberson. NOV. YELL. YORKS (8) 1, 2, Tow; 3, Cadman; vic, he, Maynard; c, Bevan. BUFF (12) 1, 3, c, Tow; 2, he, Cadman; vic, Bevan. MKD. (6) 1, 2, 3, Bevan; vic, c, Reinson. YELL. NOR. (4) 1, vic, c, Rowland. BUFF (2) 3, vic, Rowland. CREST (2) 3, c, sp, Richardson.

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JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as judges. Terms for insertion on application.

- J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Wally, Bradford. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.
- T. BENNETT, 14, Cumberland Rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds. Long and practical experience.
- J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.
- W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Gillingham Bradford. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.
- H. J. FULLJAMES, 42, Lincoln Road, S. Norwood, London, S.E. Specialist, British and Foreign.
- GEO. CARDNER, 11, Haverlock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.
- G. HOBBS, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate.
- J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.
- C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.
- JAMES KERR, 18, James Street, Perth. Any variety. Specialist Norwich and British.
- J. W. METCALFE, Yorkshire Aviaris, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate.
- W. R. MILES, Aviaris, Chichester.—Judge of all varieties Cage Birds. Norwich Plainhead Specialist.
- W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.
- H. NORMAN, The Byre, Salisbury Road, Carnation, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.
- J. PATTERSON, Chimsild, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.
- J. H. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.
- C. E. SILK, The Aviaris, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.
- JAMES STANGER, 59, Crane Terrace, Pelton Col., Co. Durham. A.V., Spl., Nor. and Cr.
- HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years' Breeder and Exhibitor.
- S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties; specialist Norwich, Cinn. and Liz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.
- J. TAYLOR, 36, Airville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford. Judge of Canaries. Specialist Yorks and Norwich. Terms on application.
- W. VARDY, The Aviaris, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts.—Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.
- J. WALSH, Pheasant Aviaris, Blackburn. Judge Cage Birds, all varieties; specialist British, Foreign, Mules, and Hybrids.
- J. WILCOCK, The Fountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford, Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties.
- G. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.
- W. YOUNG, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

SHOWS.

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Nest Feather Show, also British Birds, Saturday, JULY 18th, Red Lion Hotel, Stoke. Show open 3.30 p.m. Admission 2d.—W. Bowyer, Leek, judge.—J. Pitchford, Hon. Sec.

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Annth show, Bank Holiday, AUGUST 3rd. Open to Norfolk, Suffolk, and 50 miles' radius. Entries close July 27th. Cage Birds, 15 classes. Judge, Mr. E. W. Smith, Downham. Schedules.—S. Denny Hunt, Gaia Office, Paradise Parade, King's Lynn.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

King's Lynn F. and F.S.—Recreation Grounds, The Walks, King's Lynn, Aug. 3. Judge, E. W. Smith. 12 classes: Nor., 6; A.O.V. Young, A.O.V. Old, Cinn., Mule, Brit., and Sell. 1 ea. Prizes, 10/6, 5/6, 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close July 27, to S. D. Hunt, 29, London Road.

Ystradgynlais (Brecon)—Public Park, Aug. 5. Judge, W. Hooley. 3 classes: Yorks., Nor., Brit., 1 ea. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee 1s. 3d. Ent. close July 29, to M. R. Downey, Cwmgildred, Ystradgynlais.

Northampton.—Abingdon Park, Aug. 5. 6. Judge, G. H. Billett. 5 classes: Nor.; 2; A.O.V. Can. or Mule; 1; Brit.; 1; Sell. 1. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee 1s. Ent. close July 28, to Chick and Curtis, Guildhall, Northampton.

Hazlemere (Bucks) and 20 miles of High Wycombe.—Terriers House, Aug. 3. Judge, G. H. Billett. 9 classes: Nor., 2; Yorks.; 2; A.O.V., J. Brit., 2; Sell.; 1; Gift; 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 2s. Entries close July 18, to J. B. Bond, Terriers, High Wycombe.

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Twitterings.

We hear from Mr. G. Beardall, sec., that the show of the Alfreton C.B.S. is fixed for Oct. 31.

Fanciers and friends are invited to the ramble of the Queensbury C.B.S. on July 19; see under Club Notices.

Will all members of the Lancaster and Dist. C.B.S. assemble at the New Town Hall on July 19, at 2 p.m., to take part in a ramble, writes Mr. J. Bostock, hon. sec.

The Derby C.B.S. will hold a first feather show at Belper on July 25. Arrangements have been made to go by brake, and a favourable day is looked forward to by the members.

CAGE BIRDS has always been my favourite, and I can well understand its great popularity, and wish it all the success it undoubtedly deserves. W. J. Smith (Strat-ham).

The North Yorkshire and South Durham Federation of C.B.S. will hold an amalgamated F.F. show on July 25 in the club room, "Little Regent" Inn, Regent Street, Stockton-on-Tees. The sec. is Mr. J. W. Lowes, 17, Canning Street, Stockton.

Our next evening show of all sections will be held in St. John's Hall, Leeland Road, West Ealing, July 18, at 7.50, writes Mr. Freebrey, hon. asst. sec. Ealing and Hanwell F.S. All cups to be competed for in each section. Fanciers always welcome.

On opening my CAGE BIRDS this week I was more than pleased to see the picture of my Hawfinch. I have at present about 20 birds in an outside aviary; Siskins, Bramble, Chaffinch, Linnets, and Bullfinch. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—J. Lovell (Mus-selburgh).

The Committee of the Rochdale and Dis- affiliated C.B. societies have arranged for Mr. Harrison, of Altrincham, to give a lecture at the Littleburgh Coffee-house on July 21, at 8, on "Seeds, their Uses and Abuses." It is open to anyone to come, writes Mr. Wm. Adams, sec., and we should be pleased to see a good attendance.

Will members of the Northern Norwich P.H. Club, writes Mr. F. W. Laidlow, secretary, please remember we are closing our subscription fund towards cups and are holding a special meeting on July 22nd to select same, also to consider a suggestion of alteration of rules re champion trophy. Meetings in future will be held at Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane.

The Green Canary Association, writes Mr. Fred Handley, hon. sec., 25, Coventry Road, Wavertree, Liverpool, has decided to continue this novice scheme this year. A cup has been given by the champions, and already several pounds have been given to further the same. Reports from time to time will be given; see CAGE BIRDS. Rules will be ready at next meeting, July 23. Radius this year is open. Secretaries please communicate.

First Feather Shows.

IMPORTANT OFFER.

We have decided again this year to accept advertisements of First Feather (young bird) shows at the reduced charge of 3s. 6d. per single column inch (2s. the half inch). And we will present a special prize of a bound volume of "Bird World," illustrated magazine, or two handsome specially mounted plates, to all societies spending not less than 10s. 6d. in advertising their Young Bird Show in our columns.

Secretaries taking advantage of this offer should state very clearly in their advertisements the date, time, and place of the show. These particulars put before our readers will, without doubt, result in a much greater attendance at these early fixtures, and the making of new members, while the "gate-money" (where a charge is made) will benefit, and the sale of catalogues, too. This special cheap rate, of course, only applies to First Feather shows.

Secretaries should note that we can print at very favourable rates, show schedules, posters in colours, and ornamental prize-cards. Send for samples and prices.

As will be seen from the advt. and Review of Schedule, the King's Lynn F. and F.S. is providing 12 classes for cage birds at its show on Bank Holiday, Aug. 3.

I thank you very much for the honour you have done me in putting my even-marked yellow Border on the front page of CAGE BIRDS. It was bred by myself. This is only my second year in the Fancy with my even-marked, and in 1913-4 I had four 1sts, two 3rds, one 2nd, and one 4th, along with CAGE BIRDS Diploma and Cash Special 10s. I have derived great benefit from your two books "Our Canaries" and Canary Breeding for Beginners"; I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—J. C. Johnston (Midlothian).

Mr. Geo. Broome, sec. of Abertillery C.B.S., writes that through taking up business in another town, he is compelled to give up the secretaryship of the society, and the office is taken on by Mr. H. H. Mortimer, Oaklands, top of Crook Hill, Cwmtillery, to whom all communications in future must be addressed. Also Mr. Parfitt has had to give up the office of chairman, which is now filled by the vicar, Mr. J. Probert. Though these two members are removing from the town it is encouraging to know that they are still continuing to be members.

The principal feature of the "Avicultural Magazine" for July, the journal of the Avicultural Society, is an interesting article by Mr. J. H. Symonds on the Yellow Wagtail, illustrated with five excellent reproductions of photographs by the author. Major Horsburgh communicates some notes by Mr. W. W. Cooke on the Cinnamon Teal. Miss Lilian Medland sends an account of her tame Greater Spotted Woodpecker which has just died at the age of 6½ years. Miss Medland thinks this is a record for the species, but we seem to remember that our friend Mr. Dewhurst, of Kensington, had one of a considerably longer period. Mr. G. A. Henmann writes of birds of New South Wales which he has caught and kept. Dr. Butler continues his "Thirty two Years of Aviculture," and Mr. H. D. Astley sends a further account of his birds.

Fanciers on Holiday.

Mr. W. A. Lott writes that Mr. David Bentley, the well-known British bird fancier, and one of his old chums gave him a call on Monday last on their way North, after having enjoyed a fortnight's ramble on the Continent. Mr. Bentley, who was looking bronzed, hale, and hearty, told of the soaring of the Eagle in the Alps, the Chaffinches in galore that came in at the hotel windows for the fallen crumbs, and, of course, the ever present Sparrow. As far as his experience goes, he has never heard so many Blackcaps singing, or seen so many Golden Crested Wrens in the immediate neighbourhood of the hotels.

A Loss to the Fancy.

I am sorry to inform you, writes Mr. J. C. Wilmot, that Mr. Arthur Keech, of Fenlake, Bedford, has been obliged to part with most of his birds. As a Norwich enthusiast and exhibitor Mr. Keech has been very successful, having won numerous prizes, including the silver challenge cup (two years in succession), in connection with the Bedford Society, and also the cup for the best young Norwich bred by a member. He has taken this step on account of accepting a position of great responsibility, which will necessitate his being from home a great deal. We are hoping, however, that he will still keep in touch with the Fancy, which lays very near to his heart.

FIRST FEATHER SHOWS.

The following First Feather Shows have been arranged; we shall be glad to be notified of any omissions: July 18, Irvine and Dis. C.B.S., London and Counties A.C.B., Abertillery C.B.S., Windhill C.B.S., Beamish C.B.S., Birtley C.B.S., South Birmingham O.S., Halifax O.S., Coventry Godiva C.B.S., Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A., Openhaw Gorton C.B.S., Chester-le-Street, Doncaster C.B.S., Wolverhampton C.B.S., Ealing and Hanwell F.S., City of Bradford O.S., Shipley O.S., Grangemouth C.B.S., Leyton C.B.A.; July 22, Clapham C.B.A., Windsor C.B.A.; July 23, Bedford and Beds. C.B.S.; July 25, South Shields C.B.S., Falkirk Good Intent, Derby C.B.S., Altrincham C.B.S., N. Yorks. and S. Durham Federation of C.B.S., Idle C.B.S., Clay Cross C.B.S.; July 30, Upper Rhondda C.B.S.; Aug. 1, Pelton Fell C.B.S., Sunderland C.B.A., Edinburgh C.B.S.; Aug. 4, Darvel C.B.S.; Aug. 8, Larkhall C.B.A.; Aug. 29, Dumfries C.B.S.

THE PATRONAGE OF SPECIALIST CLUBS.

Societies desiring the patronage of the following clubs should apply to the respective secs., stating date of show, number of classes and judges: Northern Border and S.F.C.C., M. C. Potts, 52, Falmouth Road, Newcastle; Midland Counties Y.C.C., W. Wells, Helmsdale, Erdington, Birmingham; Norwich P.H.C., F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark Street, Burnley; Northern C.C., Geo. Dobson, 103, James Street, Blydenon-Tyne; Yorkshire and Lancashire British Bird and M.C., T. H. Inman, Thornbury, Bradford; Northern Y.C.C., R. Tindale, 6, Gill Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Green Canary Association, F. Handley, 23, Coventry Road, Wavertree, Liverpool; National Green-marked Y.C.C., J. Chambers, 22, St. Ann's Mount, Burley Hill, Leeds; Fife and Kinross Plainhead Club, A. Dickson, 57, Adams Terrace, Kc'ty; closing date, August 1, Yorks. C.C. of Scotland, W. Priest, 6, Orchard Street, Partick; closing date August 6. Scottish P.H. Club, E. Barron, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow. Crested C.C., J. Tyson, 169, Sloane Street, S.W. Northern Lizard Club, G. O. Davidson, 6, Eden Vale, Sunderland.

Never Too Late to Lay.

A Mr. N. Dalby-Munton states that he has kept a Grey Parrot in a cage for twenty years, and a few days ago she laid an egg for the first time.

Where Societies are Wanted.

I have been a subscriber to and reader of CAGE BIRDS, both in Malta and Alderney, for over two years, and am sorry to say there is no C.B. Society in either of these islands.—Staff-Sergt. W. Colquhoun.

Starling's Long Journey.

A Starling ringed by H. W. Bowling, assistant keeper, Skerries Lighthouse, Holyhead, North Wales, at the lighthouse on Oct. 23, 1912, has just been reported to the Aberdeen University Bird Migration Society from Svendborg, Denmark.

London's One-legged Pigeon.

Three weeks ago one of the Pigeons at the Bank of England had one of its legs broken by a taxicab, the bone being severed. The bird was taken home to Brixton by the driver, and tended till the stump healed, when it was released. Two days later it turned up at its old haunts at the Bank, where it may now be seen cheerfully hopping on one leg.

Under the Area Steps.

I was very much surprised, writes "E. A." in the "Edinburgh Evening News," to find a Robin having a nest of young birds at this time of the year under the door steps in the area, as they generally stay in the woods in the summer. It seems to be very tame, for the door bell wire just pulls right across its head, and it never moves when you pull. It seems to have done all the work itself, as I have never seen the male bird at all, and I watched it building the nest some time ago.

Brechin Fanciers Doing Well.

I thank you very much for the honour you have done me in putting the sketch of my clear buff cock on front page of CAGE BIRDS. He is the best bird I have ever bred; he has been three seasons on the show bench, has won over twenty firsts, and has been three times at the Palace. I have seven young from him now, and the hen down again. I have had a grand season, having 140 young birds, and a lot to hatch this week. The most of the fanciers in Brechin are doing well, and when the show season comes round they expect to keep up the name of the ancient city. I wish your valuable paper every success.—John Craig, Brechin.

The Peacock's Adventure.

A caretaker, cleaning the offices of Messrs. Bourdas and Co., in Craven Terrace, Lancaster Gate, London, about six o'clock on the morning of July 9th, went into the basement for water. When he returned he was amazed to see a Peacock with a magnificent tail standing on one of the writing tables. The bird was placed in the area, where crowds of children gathered to watch it, and was eventually claimed by a keeper from Kensington Gardens, who tucked it under his arm with the tail in front and carried it away. It must have walked some distance through the gardens, crossed the busy Bayswater Road, and walked up Lancaster Gate and Craven Street.

PRIZES FOR NEW VARIETIES

And the Breeding of British and Foreign Birds.

TO encourage all readers to try what they can do in the matter of evolving new varieties of the Canary, of producing new kinds of Mules and Hybrids, and breaking fresh ground in the breeding of British and Foreign birds in cages and aviaries, CAGE BIRDS is adopting the scheme outlined below, which we hope will commend itself to, and stimulate into action, every bird-keeper who can possibly join in it.

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The mementoes we offer take two forms:

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The choice will rest with the successful breeder. An additional prize of £1 1s. Cash will be given to the breeder of the Rarest British Scibill in a Cage.

This is presented by Mrs. E. Warren Vernon.

FRENCH BIRD MASSACRES.

Where the Swallows Go: Vineyards Lose £1,600,000.

In his report on the trade of Bordeaux for last year Mr. Consul Rowley has some interesting comments on the results of the wholesale massacre of birds in the South of France. He states that the loss suffered by the vineyards in the Department of the Gironde through insect pests in 1913, estimated at £1,600,000, is largely, if not entirely, attributable to the absence of bird life. In seven years the annual loss has doubled.

A law has been passed providing for the rigorous protection of insect-feeding birds at all seasons, but, unfortunately, the chasse aux petits oiseaux is one of the most cherished Sunday and feast day recreations of the people, and any restrictions placed thereon would be much resented.

The Consul adds: "The trapping of wild birds for the market is a most lucrative trade. Trapped birds are sold in the market on sticks supporting a dozen of these small creatures, plucked and ready to roast, and are worth from 10d. to 1s. per stick during the fighting season and from 2s. 4d. to 2s. 9d. per stick out of fighting season. They are much sought after and appreciated as an article of diet.

The following figures, obtained from a reliable source, furnish an idea of the wholesale massacres of these insect-feeding birds which take place yearly throughout the departments of the South of France: 28,000 kilos (say 28 tons) of small birds transported by train in baskets from various stations in the South of France during one season; 3,000,000 Swallows, 20,000 Robins, etc., caught and sold in one season. As for Larks, it is impossible to state any definite figure, but it is a common occurrence for a bird trapper to catch as many as 200 to 300 dozen in one night during fighting season.

"If it be allowed that one Swallow is able to catch say 50 eudemis or cochylys moths in one evening, not an excessive consumption for these birds, and as it is known that the insect descendants of two moths born in the spring of one year will at the vintage of the next year, say in a space of eighteen months, number as many as 3,000,000, it is inconceivable that the cause of the incalculable damage done to crops is not more fully appreciated."

—"Daily Telegraph."

Moorhens Join in the Craze.

It is perhaps not generally known that Moorhens are great fighters. I have sometimes seen two male birds fighting fiercely, almost on their backs, in the water, keeping afloat with rapid swimming strokes of their wings and slashing furiously at each other with their sharp-clawed feet. A Moorhen blind in one eye is not uncommon, and its injury is possibly the result of a similar encounter. That bird would probably never attempt to fight again, for, once totally blinded, it could only meet with a sad and certain fate—death by starvation.—F. Woolward ("Country Life").

Cash Prizes for the Best Written Accounts.

In addition we shall award to each sender of the best written essay in each of Sections 1, 2, and 4,

A Cash Prize of £1 1s.

that is, three guineas in all. In Section 3 the sender of the best written essay will receive

A Cash Prize of £2 2s.

presented by Mr. W. E. Teschemaker.

Rule 6, of course, applies also to the awarding of all essay prizes, to compete for which the essays must be of not less than 1,000 words in length. In fact the explicitness and helpfulness of the details given will be the chief features taken into consideration when making the awards.

The Governing Conditions.

- (1) Claims for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes must be lodged with Editor within ten days of the young birds being hatched; and an independent witness skilled with birds shall certify to having seen the young in the nest or with the parents.
- (2) All young, excepting only Canaries and Mules and Hybrids, must be entirely reared by their own parents, hand-rearing not being permissible.
- (3) To qualify for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes the young of Hardbills and Softbills must live for at least three weeks after leaving the nest, young Quails six weeks, and the young Canaries or young Mules or Hybrids until after their first moult. By "young" is meant one, or more.
- (4) Our definition of a cage is: A cage to come within the scope of Section 3 must be one that can be easily moved, without being taken to pieces, from place to place by one person.
- (5) Written accounts of the breeding, for publication in CAGE BIRDS, must be lodged with us within four weeks (28 days) from the date the young birds leave the nest.
- (6) The decision of the Editor of CAGE BIRDS will be final and binding in every case and he shall have the right to call together a committee of expert bird-keepers if need be to assist him in coming to the said decision.

The Care of Young Canaries and Hybrids.

Hints by that Well-known Judge and Artist, Mr. H. Norman

MANY a fancier one meets at this time of the year will, when you enquire about his success, unfold to you his little "Tale of Woe." It is very seldom indeed, however, that we hear of anyone "throwing up the sponge" because he has happened to hit upon a bad time. He may feel disheartened for the time being, but when the shows come round and he rubs shoulders with his fellow fanciers, and hears talk of present successes and future hopes, the fever asserts itself once more and he is keenly anxious for another try.

The fancier I somehow always feel the greatest sympathy for is not the man who has failed to get young, but the one who gets young, yet fails to bring them to maturity, and a few words upon the subject of the "Care of Young" may not be out of place just now. Among the many thousands of readers of CAGE BIRDS, too, there must be many who never get quite in touch with their fellow fanciers, and therefore miss many opportunities of gaining a little knowledge in friendly chat, and it is to these I particularly address my notes.

A very successful season frequently has its drawback, because in nine cases out of ten it means overcrowding of the stock. In the spring a fancier is so liable to put up an extra pair or two, leaving practically no room for the produce, that the time comes round when he is at his wit's end to know what to do with his young stock. Undoubtedly overcrowding is a great evil; it means fighting and quarrelling for food, and extra dirt in the cages and on the perches. It appears to me that it is far better to have temporary cages and risk being crowded by these, rather than have a crowding of the birds.

The Separation of the Sexes.

Grocers' boxes can quickly be knocked into shape and will do duty for a time to house the commonest of the stock in, thus allowing more space for the most promising of the batch. These, if kept separately, can receive a little extra attention, and be occasionally run into a show cage.

Even before the moult it always appears to me advisable to separate the sexes. Young cock Canaries are like young cock chickens—greedy and quarrelsome. Consequently the gentler sex get little of the good things going, and in many cases are not allowed to get near the egg-pan until the little lords of Canarydom have had their fill and appropriated all the choicest tit-bits. When the sexes are separated they certainly agree better in this way, and live upon more equal terms, and so any less robust birds are frequently able to "catch up" their stronger brothers and sisters. Even with this separation we sometimes find one particular bird a nuisance to his fellows; and for such birds there is nothing but complete isolation.

A Failing of the Young.

Cleanliness in growing stock is absolutely necessary to success. Like all young things, birds are wasteful, and egg-food and bread and milk in a sour state lying about the cage floor cannot be conducive to a healthy existence. When three or four are housed in one cage it should be cleaned out every other day and the perches be scrubbed at least twice a week. If possible have a duplicate batch of perches always on hand clean. The same remark applies to egg-pans; the least quantity of sour food left in the corner of a pan quickly contaminates the whole.

If one does not happen to possess a duplicate set of pans the difficulty can be got over in the following manner. Upon entering the bird-room remove all the egg-pans, placing them in a basin (or pail) of water. Leave them while attending to the seed and water, etc. By that time they will have soaked almost clean, and a good rinse round will complete the job; then if they are laid upon the table upside-down they require very little wiping.

Fanciers will now be putting their stock upon colour-food. I would advise the novices to start early enough. There is no secret in colour-feeding, and yet we seldom see the birds moulted out by novices and amateurs so rich in colour as they should be. In many cases this is caused by not starting in good time; one does not want to wait until the moult has commenced before giving the food. If so, the chances are that the colour will be badly distributed or it will be pale throughout. Then, again, the

health and condition of a bird influences the colour immensely, and I am inclined to think this is the reason why birds moulted in large flights do so well. Exercise is conducive to health, and if health means colour, then give all the room possible to young stock, so as to keep them fit, for moulting is a great strain upon the system, and one does not want to stunt the growth of the birds. To do well they should never receive a check from the time they leave the nest until maturity.

Variety is Advisable.

Most fanciers are content to give their birds plain canary seed during the moult, but it does not appear to me that a little mixed seed twice a week is at all out of place. The birds should live well during this period and a varied diet should assist development. When colour-feeding is once started it should be continued regularly and kept at the same strength; we feel then that we have done our best even if all the stock do not moult out successfully.

Insect pests are particularly plentiful during the latter half of the summer months, and fanciers should now wage constant war against the red mite. Fresh air and clean cages will assist immensely, but we must not rest content at that. With a small painter's brush all cracks and crevices of the cages should be painted once or twice a week with a strong insect destroyer, such as paraffin or turpentine, with a few drops of creosote in it. This will not only kill the live mite: it will also prevent them multiplying so rapidly. It seems almost impossible to clear red mite quite out when they have once established themselves, but there is no reason why they should not be kept well within bounds.

The bath is essential to growing stock, and during the moult assists greatly in the



CLEAR-CAP SILVER LIZARD.

First prize at the Horticultural Hall Show for Mr. A. Bradley (Glossop).

development of the new feathers. When watching broods of young ones in the hedge-grows it has always appeared to me that the babies have feathered much more rapidly in showery weather than when it has been hot and dry; if I am right in this it is a proof that dampness is conducive to feather development, consequently a frequent use of the bath should be a regular proceeding in our rooms during the moulting period. Care, of course, must be taken to give it on suitable days only, and also to give it early in the morning and not after mid-day. Birds are particularly susceptible to catch cold: no matter how healthy our stock may be, it is scarcely so robust as the birds in the fields and woods.

The Value of Bread and Milk

Young birds, like other young things, are liable to ailments, and of these the disease known as "Going Light" is the most fatal. The birds appear to be getting along famously until some morning we notice one or two of the batch looking a little bit "thick." Upon catching these we find they are almost wasted to a skeleton—devoid of flesh and with very prominent breast-bone. It is

difficult to assign a cause or reason for this wasting sickness, although one naturally thinks that the food has something to do with it, and that it does not possess sufficient heating or flesh-forming material. Some fanciers give the weather as the harmful agent, and affirm that some peculiar climatic condition affects the well-doing of the stock, pointing out that in some seasons the disease is much more prevalent than at others. However that may be, it is certainly very fatal when young birds are seriously affected.

As soon as one finds his stock afflicted with this complaint, he should lose no time in isolating the ailing birds. Let them have bread soaked in hot milk, with a few drops of cod liver oil emulsion upon it. In bad cases this should be given night and morning, with fairly strong plain egg food at mid-day. Be liberal with maw seed and give them boiled water to drink. It requires care and perseverance to null them round, but it can be done, and should be if the owner values his stock. Bread and milk undoubtedly forms one of the finest foods for sick birds that we have, and has saved the lives of thousands, especially young ones.

KEEPING AND BREEDING FOREIGN SEED-EATERS IN CAGES.

By WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S., &c.

(Continued from page 558.)

THERE is no necessity to abide by any hard and fast rules as to the species of birds to keep. As a guide we may assume that where one species of a genus has been bred in a cage there is a reasonable prospect of the other species doing so, and in like manner the species of other genera having similar habits and demeanour.

The original heading to these articles was "Keeping and breeding foreign Finches in cages," but I am going strictly to confine myself to Finches, and shall include in the various groups one or two species of Lovebirds, and instead of confining myself to cheaply obtainable species, I can be a little more comprehensive by grouping the species under approximate values, using as far as possible present market values. In the lists given the asterisks indicate that the species have already either bred or nested and laid eggs in a cage.

Birds of Modest Price.

Species of a not greater value than 5s. per pair: *Cordon Bleus, *Bengalese, *Avadavats, Gold-breasted Waxbills, *Grey Java Sparrows, Black-headed Mannikins, Spice Birds, Sharp-tailed Finches, White-headed Mannikins, *Bib Finches, *Bronze Mannikins, *Cut-throats, *Grey Singing-Finches, *Orange-cheek Waxbills, *Silverbills, *Firefinches, Grey Waxbills, Green Singing-Finches, Striated Finches, Tri-coloured Mannikins, Madagascar Lovebirds, etc.

Species of a not greater value than 10s. per pair:—*Zebra Finches, *White Java Sparrows, Lavender Finches, *St. Helena Waxbills, *Magpie Mannikins, Green Avadavats, *Saffron Finches, etc.

Species of a not greater value than 15s. per pair:—St. Helena Seed-eaters, Sulphur Seed-eaters, Yellow-rumped Serins, etc.

Species of a not greater value than 20s. per pair:—Yellow-rumped Mannikins (Finches), *Long-tailed and *Masked Grass-Finches; Pectoral, Chestnut-breasted, *Ruficanda, *Red-headed, *Olive and *Cuba Finches; *Yellow-rumped Serins, *Alario Finch, *Cape Canaries, *Parson Finches, Rufous-backed Mannikins, *Blue-winged Lovebirds, etc.

Species of a not greater value than 30s. per pair:—*Black-headed Gouldian Finches, *Crimson Finches, Scaly-fronted Finches,

*Melba Finches, *Cherry Finches, *Diamond Sparrows, *Bichenos Finches, etc.

Species of a greater value than 30s. per pair:—*Hooded Siskins, *Black-headed Siskins, Sydney Waxbill, *Violet-eared Waxbill, *Black-faced Waxbill, *Dufresne's Finches, *Red-headed Gouldian Finches, *Peach-faced Lovebirds, etc.

The values given are as near as one can estimate under present conditions; birds that were quite cheap not long ago are rather costly to-day, and vice versa. With one exception (Peach-faced Lovebirds) no species named has a greater value than 60s. per pair.

I have not aimed at making the list inclusive, naming the more general run of Finches: As they appear on the market many others will suggest themselves to the alert fancier, and their adaptability may be gauged by their affinity or otherwise to other species which have bred or attempted to breed in cages.

The Field for Hybrid-breeders.

Hybridisation appeals to many, and forms a most interesting pursuit. Many foreign species will inter-breed if not too distantly related, and many again will readily cross with the domestic Canary, especially of the Serins and Siskins. The following have all crossed with the domestic Canary:—Alario Finch, American Siskin, Black-head Siskin, Green Singing-Finch, Cape Canary (Grey-necked Serin), Grey Singing-Finch, Hooded Siskin, Mexican Rose-Finch, Purple Finch, Saffron Finch, St. Helena Seed-eater, Serin Finch, and Sulphury Seed-eaters, etc.

The Serin family is a large one, and almost any of its members would sooner or later give a successful result.

Species which have already successfully crossed with the Bengalese:—Sharp-tailed Finch, Spice Finch, Striated Finch, Bib Finch, Silverbill, Tri-coloured Mannikin, Parson Finch, etc.

Have successfully crossed with the Silverbill:—Sharp-tailed Finch, Bengalese, Spice Finch, Striated Finch, Bib Finch, Zebra Finch, Grey Waxbill, Java Sparrow, Sydney Waxbill, White-headed Mannikin, etc.

Of the Waxbills, which have been crossed, may be named the Grey and St. Helena; Golden-breasted and Avadavat; Orange-cheeked and Grey; St. Helena and Cordon Bleu; Gold-bread and Firefinch; Grey and

Crimson-rumped; Orange-cheeked and St. Helena; St. Helena and Sydney, etc.

Of Grassfinches the Cherry and Masked; Long-tailed and Masked; Parson and Long-tailed; Crimson and Ruficanda; Zebra Finch and Silverbill; Zebra Finch and Bichenos; Zebra Finch and Bengalese; Red-headed Finch and Cut-throat; Crimson and Long-tailed; also several species of Parrot Finches, etc.

Of the Mannikins, the following have all been successfully crossed, many of them also with the parentage reversed, omitting those already grouped above:—Bib-Bronze, Spice-Bronze, Sharp-tailed-Striated, Striated-Spice, Bronze-Magpie, Bronze-Rufous-backed, White-headed-Cut-throat, etc.

The popular Zebra Finch has crossed with the Bronze Mannikin, Bichenos, Silverbill, Bengalese, Diamond Sparrow, St. Helena, Waxbill, etc.

A Goodly List.

The following interesting crosses, some of which are between British and Foreign species, have all been successfully inter-bred:—Alario-Grey Singing Finch; Green Singing Finch-Alario; Green Singing Finch-Goldfinch; Green-Grey Singing Finch; Green Singing Finch-Siskin; Grey Singing Finch-Linnet; Saffron-Pelzel's Saffron Finch; Saffron Finch-St. Helena Seed-eater; Serin-Green Singing Finch; Greenfinch-Japanese Greenfinch; Siskin-Siskin Siskin; St. Helena Seed-eater-Grey Singing Finch; Black-headed Siskin-Cape Canary; Siskin-St. Helena Seed-eater; Siskin-Sulphury Seed-eater; Black-headed Siskin-Siskin; Totta Siskin-Siskin, etc.

The above will sufficiently indicate what species the hybridiser may pair together with reasonable prospect of a successful result. I may say *en passant* that nearly all the Mannikin group, as well as all the Serin-tribe, are quite ready to cross, when a mate of their own kind is not available. Almost any species of the Mannikin group may be paired up with the Bengalese or Silverbill with a very reasonable prospect of an interesting hybrid.

Even at the cost of repetition I would say that Crimson Finches, Bichenos Finches, Long-tailed Grassfinches, Cordon Bleus, Orange-cheeked Waxbills, Firefinches, Zebra Finches, Cut-throats, Bronze Mannikins, Budgerigars, Blue-winged Lovebirds, Cockateils, etc., have all been successfully bred in cages; therefore, the task before the would-be breeder is not a hopeless one, though his (or her) patience may be sadly tried before it be attained.

In my next instalment I shall deal with food and general treatment, and then go on to recount one or two representative successes.

(To be continued.)

As a preface to the following remarks the writer wishes to state that he attaches great importance to the points where his treatment differs from more orthodox procedure in bird-breeding. To command success the point primarily to aim at is as near an imitation of natural conditions as it is possible to realise. This goes without saying; but how is it done? Get the birds into the best of health and keep them there is another way of stating the original problem.

The subject may be divided into three problems, to be faced separately: First diet, second exercise, and third environment. All these three factors bear directly on the bird's health.

The Problems Considered.

Dealing with these problems in the order named we first treat of diet. During the spring and summer, that is during the breeding season and up to the first moult for the young, the food of the wild birds consists almost entirely of unripe, i.e., green seeds, and a certain proportion of live insects. Now, dry canary seeds do not come near this natural regimen in any respect.

In the first place green seeds (not green leaves, mind you) contain the essential oils of the plant and have a fairly high fat percentage; canary and red (summer) rape do not offer a high fat percentage taken together. In the second place green seeds contain nearly one-half their weight of water; that is, water of formation—water combined with the other constituents of the seed.

To provide a diet of green seeds is impossible for most of us, so a substitute must be found. Green food, such as lettuce, cress, dandelion leaves, and groundsel, and we will include apple, may be freely obtained, and provides us with a food stuff

HOW TO BREED GOLDFINCHES INDOORS.

By L. J. HIBBERT (Thornton Heath).

of high water content but deficient in fats and oils. Certain seeds, such as hemp, red rape, maw, linseed, and niger all contain large percentages of fat and oil. Here then is material to work upon.

Let at least one-half the total weight of food supplied to the birds be green food and the rest a mixture of seeds as specified later, and we have a non-animal diet that is as near to Nature as the town-dweller can hope to get.

The Substitute for Insects.

Now for the insectile portion of the food. All living insects, like the green seeds, have a high water content, dried insects, then, are no use. Here let me point out that dried insects plus water is a very different thing from the digestive point of view to the same insects in a freshly-killed state with the water actually forming part of their tissues. The best substitute for the insects is egg.

It is not desirable for several reasons to give egg raw, but hard-boiled egg will do well. Crumble the yolk and white together, as both parts are equally valuable as a food.

A Warning About the Egg.

Now a word of warning. Don't spoil your egg and your chances of success by mixing biscuit with the egg. The birds get enough starch (flour) in the canary seed of their mixture, and the over-cooked stuff in biscuits is doubly bad for them.

To summarise: The diet should consist of green food to the extent of one-half the total weight supplied, and the seeds should be well blended in something like the following proportions:—

Canary and teazle one quart each.

Hemp, red rape and linseed half-pint each.

Maw seed and niger about two ounces each.

As to the quality of the seeds, the best to be got is none too good.

Egg hard-boiled, and crumbled fresh, should be given in the proportion of half-a-teaspoonful (level, not heaped) per day per bird.

The Need and Benefit of Exercise.

If this diet be adopted then exercise as described below must be provided. A wild bird, owing to the scattered nature of its food supply, is compelled to exercise itself in the search for sufficient nutriment. This exercise keeps the bird in good physical condition and also enables it to escape the more violent perils that threaten its existence. Now, flight alone is an exercise of such a nature as to call for a large expenditure of muscular energy. This demands a generous diet; and that we have provided.

Now the exercise, which combined with this diet results in health and virility, may be obtained by flight alone; but if the birds are also compelled, by the abolition of fixed

perches, to balance and grip when alighting or leaving their perch it brings muscles into play in the back and legs that flight cannot make use of. Give your birds, then, twigs fixed at one end only and bushes of evergreen and furze, and place them in a cage or aviary of such height that the birds cannot reach the top except by flying.

Another form of exercise that is most valuable is the bath. Let the birds bathe whenever they wish, summer and winter, but never less than two hours before dusk. Bathing gives exercise to the skin and is as good as massage to an athlete.

The Environment.

Light and air sums up in two words all that may be written under this head. If your birds are like the writer's, indoors, then remove a pane of glass from the window and replace it with wire netting. See that the captives have plenty of sun, but also the opportunity of finding shade when they desire it. Let the room be cheerful as regards paint and paper—no dark colours, for instance.

Talk to your birds at all times. Make friends with them till they will all take seeds from your fingers; never frighten them if you can help it, and never abuse their confidence. If one must be caught, make no pretence—don't hold out tit-bits and then grab wildly when the bird approaches, but boldly follow the one you want until you get your chance to secure it.

The writer by carrying out the treatment outlined above has succeeded in rearing young Goldfinches in his indoor aviary, and is confident that the measure of success he has enjoyed is due to this method, which is itself the outcome of serious thought as to the reason why the more orthodox methods so often fail.

Correspondence.

Advice Wanted on Bird-room Cage Racks.

SIR,—I am preparing a corner of a spare room for my Canary cages (box pattern) and am at a loss to know how to arrange racks to hold them. The wall is papered and I want to leave it so. I would like to place racks an inch or two from the wall so as not to damage the paper. If any reader would kindly let me know the best plan to go on, I should feel extremely obliged. R. S.

The Effects of Vibration on Hatching Eggs.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. James Porter, in an article on unprolificacy, I quoted an identical instance of Wagtails being reared under a railway sleeper as refuting the prevalent idea that vibration has a detrimental effect on incubation, also another instance of good results with Canary breeding, notwithstanding that only a 4½ in. brick wall separated the birds from the clamour and vibration of a powerful engine. In the latter case the effects were very discernible on the cages. But a little study of, say, a Sedge Warbler's nest during a gale is, I consider, fairly conclusive proof of the absurdity of the "vibraphobian" idea. That an unusual shock may cause the parent bird to pierce or scatter her eggs I quite admit. J. STEEL.

The Midland Counties Yorkshire C.C. Trophies.

SIR,—Permit me to again reply to your correspondent, Mr. G. Salt. I see he has evaded my question of where he got the idea of the cup from. Mr. S., you started the correspondence, so be a man and for the benefit of other members either prove your assertion that there was a cup, or own up as beaten. Harping on rules will not help you, as no rule mentions a cup, as I stated before. What do you mean by members not competing for prizes? Nothing in my reply to you mentions such a thing. Who is going to compete if members do not? It is too silly for words, and shows lack of intelligence on the part of your instigator. (Yes, Mr. S., you cannot deny this.) You were only expected to pay your annual subs.; there are no other subscriptions. Donations were given; which prove that we still have some sports left in the club. As for our club not existing many years, I for one should not expect it with such dissatisfied members as you wanting that which was not put up for competition. As for the secretary not replying to you, you would have had a reply in the first instance had you written him in a proper manner, and I do not blame him for not replying to

you. I note your threat of getting the cup, but don't forget that others are fighting for their honour and have as much right to uphold their assertions as you have. I am enclosing, for our Editor's kind perusal, the only rules issued by the M.C.G.C.C.

W. G. ANDREWS.

[In the 4-page leaflet of rules sent us, nothing is said about any cups.—EDITOR.]

How Linnet Singing Clubs and Contests Should be Run.

SIR,—Allow me to help Mr. Coward re-forming a Linnet club. A president is selected, chairman and five committeemen, with secretary and treasurer. Then choose as headquarters a place which has a good window, where there is nothing passing by to interfere with the birds. A slide is then made by a joiner (some bird fanciers can make them) so that it can be taken down after the contest is over. Each member's subscription is, say, 2d. per week, with 1s. entrance fee. Every member who enters a bird for a contest pays 3d. per bird. The money that is taken for entrance fees is made into three prizes. Contests can be held every week at very little expense; of course, it is all right if the landlord gives some money to make the prizes more. The secretary has a bag with ten checks in, numbered, and each member draws his checks for as many birds as he has entered. Then he gets tickets numbered with same number as checks he has drawn. These he places on his cages and when he puts his birds into the window it must have a ticket on the cage, or he is disqualified for changing checks. The birds when placed in the window face each other for one minute; then the slide is lowered and they stop another three minutes. That is called one minute spring and 3 minutes bluff. Each bird to sing five seconds before it counts. There are two time-keepers and two tappers, which can be got out of the members, who will, no doubt, take their turns. In this way a singing contest for time can be held every Saturday at a small cost. It will pass many happy hours away. Arrange for open contest singing, so that those who are not members can compete; this helps to get new members, besides getting a change of birds and hearing them sing.

LINNET.

P.S.—I have known us to have a contest when there have been only 6 members present (with birds) just to pass a pleasant hour away.

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous issue, Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser.—ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

A Swan with Nine Cygnets.

SIR,—I see in CAGE BIRDS that a correspondent has seen a Swan with seven cygnets on one of the reaches of the River Wey. I would like to say there is a Swan here on the river off Netley Abbey with nine cygnets, and all very fine birds, making with their parents a very pretty picture. I and others have seen them every day for the past fortnight. I shall try and get a snapshot of them. I wish your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, every success. WM. PERRIN.

A Dispute at the Highgate and Hampstead C.B.S.

SIR,—After my last two letters which you were so kind as to publish, re the actions of the officials towards me, and the silence which they keep, it seems to me the charges which I made against them must be true, or they would have been only too pleased to have tried to prove otherwise.

I attended the young stock show on Saturday last in company with two friends, and never in all my experience as an official did I see men shown up so, for as soon as I put my face inside the door and gazed on them—well, if only they could moult their birds put the colour of their faces! Only one gentleman had the courage and courtesy to come and shake hands and pass the time of day, etc. But I am not impatient, as I realise delays are not denials, but as a working man, not having any money to throw away, if the officials of the Highgate and Hampstead C.B.S. do not see fit to let me bring my charges against them in the clearing of my own character, I shall be glad if they will return the two shillings deposit I paid on the understanding that my petition request was going to be granted. GEO. H. NEAL.

Clear Linnet Mules at Longton.

SIR,—I have delayed replying a week to see what Mr. Perrins had to say to Mr. Tams, but apparently he has decided to keep quiet. He has a bad case, evidently. Judging by his letter he has never even seen the "clear Linnet Mules." All he has done has been to buy the parents to sell again at a profit. No wonder he is cross when Mr. Tams and myself tell your readers what we think of the matter. Mr. Tams has at any rate seen the birds, and he very definitely states that they are nothing but "young yellow Canaries." Surely that is enough for Mr. Perrins—he knows where the young birds are now, so why doesn't he get them and prove Mr. Tams wrong? The breeder's statement counts for nothing in face of Mr. Tams' opinion. What about the cases the Editor says he has enquired into this season—five of them!—where all the birds have proved to be Canaries and not Mules at all? I expect the breeders of these were just as positive and would have been just as ready to sign papers as Mr. Bown. It is the birds that count; signed statements are about as valuable as the paper they are

written on. Mr. Perrins ought to know that. It is easy to talk about my non-deplume. What on earth does it matter whether I sign my name or not? The facts of the case remain just the same. Mr. Tams says he has seen the "clear Mules," of which Mr. Perrins offered to sell the parents, and he states that they are yellow Canaries. Can Mr. Perrins produce a really good judge to say that he has seen them and considers them Mules? There was a slight error in my previous letter, as it should have read that my Longton correspondent heard about it from a competent judge; and that judge was Mr. Tams.

INTERESTED.

SIR,—Seeing "Interested" was not man enough to answer my letter or give the name of the competent judge that pronounced the young birds to be merely yellow Canaries, I now take pleasure in answering Mr. E. Tams' letter. I ask him if he can prove that the birds were just yellow Canaries and not Linnet Mules, as I should like to know where the error occurred. Also I ask Mr. E. Tams to correct your own statement that he is the well-known judge; give honour where honour is due. I now ask the gentleman who purchased the young birds to come forward with them, so that they can be proved to be genuine light Linnet Mules and not Canaries, as the competent judge called them. I have also sent to the Editor the original paper to show Mr. E. Bown did sign it for me. So now it is up to you, Mr. Tams, to reply, and not give it up the same as "Interested" and his competent judge has done. G. PERRINS.

[Judging from Mr. Perrins' letter, the words we applied to Mr. E. Tams, junr. (viz., "an exhibitor and well-known judge") really apply to Mr. H. Tams, senr. Needless to say we are sorry there should have been this confusion of identities. This makes no difference, anyway, to Mr. E. Tams' ability to distinguish a clear Linnet Mule from a clear yellow Canary, or to the point we raised that the birds themselves would afford the best possible evidence of their parentage.—Editor.]

THE PAPER SIGNED BY MR. BOWN.

I hereby declare that I had bred two light Linnet Mules, 1 clear, 1 ticked on the head, and sold the same to a gentleman named Boff, of the Melfr, also the parents of the Mules to G. Perrins, 26, Lennox Road, Longton, Staffs. Knowing the said Mules to be genuine Linnet Mules, not having kept a cock Canary in my house this last five years, having had the hen in my possession six weeks before being paired to the Linnet.

(Signed) EDWARD BOWN,
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Bad Feeding Hens and Their Cause.

Sir, In reply to Mr. A. G. Cant, I have experimented very extensively with a view to ascertaining the reproductive powers of the Canary, and in my article on unprolificacy I dealt with that question, quoting an instance of over 70 young produced from one cock bird in a single season. Respecting hens, I have selected robust specimens and tried purposely to exhaust their reproductive powers and feeding qualities by strenuous tasks during a season, yet though I took in some instances a fourth nest (one hen, I may mention, had no less than seventeen Gules, all reared by her self), I found that given fairly generous treatment and facility for exercise, from August to April was a sufficiently long recuperative period to ensure a repetition of the performance the following season. On the other hand, an experiment I am at present conducting convinces me that some hens (of which kind I have quite a few) are utterly unresponsive to any method of management or material. The maternal instinct has simply deteriorated, that being, as I have said before, a quality which has no place in the high class Canary-breeder's lexicon. Apropos of this, I may state that I have questioned every Scots Canary breeder I have come in touch with as to whether he endorses or otherwise a statement made in these columns by a Mr. Logan, viz., that these Canaries were as hardy and prolific, and quite as good feeders as any other variety. Not a single one held Mr. Logan's views. That the non-maternal behaviour of Scots Fancies and Crests is notorious, is confirmative of the opinion above expressed.

J. STEEL.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

Sir,—Kindly allow me space to give vent to my feelings over the way in which I have been treated by the officials and a few members of the Abertillery C.B.S., of which I was a member. On July 8th they called a committee meeting, which six in all attended; they put up a resolution to expel me from the Society, which was carried, 5 for, 1 against. This recommendation of the committee was brought forward at the monthly meeting on July 11th (which was not advertised in your columns as usual) when 13 all told attended. The result was for the expulsion (by a show of hands) 7 for, 5 against, 1 neutral. An amendment was brought forward for a ballot of all the members (I think there are about 25 to 30) but this was defeated. Now, in face of this result the secretary moved that I should be asked to send in my resignation. Well, well! He said he thought it a disgrace to be expelled! I will give the reasons for expelling me. As sole canvasser for the McInery Trophy (which the Society now possesses), I have also been instrumental in adding £6 11s. to the funds, which I am proud to say are in a good sound position, in fact, to cut the story short, I am acknowledged to be the hardest individual worker in the Society. In a recent meeting a certain member threw a sneer at me as regards my knowledge of birds—that it was very little. Of course, I retaliated. This arose through an argument about a marked class and a bit of

jealousy attached, because I was elected to judge the first feather show, which I am pleased to say I did most satisfactorily, and opened a few of their eyes a little, instead of them having a little fun, as they thought. Now out of the place where the meeting was held, this same member said it would be either him or me should resign at the next meeting. Result, my expulsion. I therefore make an appeal to brother fanciers to express their opinions to one who has worked hard to build this Society up from the commencement, and who is thrown out in five minutes by a show of hands. Is this justice, thrown out for simply agitating to have equal rights and fair play to one and all?

A. E. MOULE.

[We do not see that discussion in our columns can serve any useful purpose. After reading Mr. Moule's explanation, members of the Abertillery C.B.S. can, of course, take whatever action they wish, in accordance with the rules of the Society.—Editor.]

Do Rooks Pair for Life?

Sir,—I am much interested in the above question, and have no doubt other readers will enjoy the experiences below, which are related by Mr. M. Forbes Tweedie in "Country Life." The writer says:—"Three years ago my boy got a young Rook at school and brought it home with him. It was clipped in one wing at first, and lived here in the garden, becoming quite tame. We shut it up every night in a cage and let it out in the morning. In the spring of the next year it collected sticks in its cage by way of an effort at nest making, and the next year the same; but this last spring it took to going off with the other wild Rooks for the day, always coming home at night. Eventually it was evident that it had mated, the mate coming about the garden with it, and at length, in some cold weather, was persuaded by our Rook to come and feed with it in front of our windows, our Rook appearing to drive the mate up to the food, or, at all events, coming behind it, perhaps to reassure it against attack from behind. The mate did not feed again from our Rook's dish after the cold weather, but was always here ready for him when he was let out in the morning. At length our Rook took to being away at night, and eventually we discovered him with a nest in a Rookery about a mile as the Crow flies. All the time, however, he came here regularly for food, and as the nesting season went on he took to carrying food away in the pouch under his beak to an increasing extent, coming ten or twelve times a day for it, and he walks right into the kitchen and larder and asks the cook for food. He will take nothing but meat from the cook, but on the other side of the house, where he is fed by my wife, he takes anything. He is perfectly tame, and can be stroked or tickled by any of us. At last—about the time the young Rooks flew finally—he came back, as it were, for good and all, and has been about again as usual, except that instead of going to roost in his cage he sleeps in the trees. He could be seen here any day; is a very fine specimen, talks, by cawing, to my wife a great deal, and is always about a good deal with her when she is gardening, and has quite returned to his



The Golden Oriole is one of the most beautiful of the occasional visitors to the British Isles, and has been known to nest here. It is about the size of a Blackbird and in colour the male is a lovely rich yellow with jet-black markings. The Golden Oriole has been but very rarely exhibited, being temperamentally unsuited to life in a cage.

old life as in the past two years. The young Rooks were shot, I hear, in his Rookery, about the time he came back for good, so to say; but we have never seen the mate with him here since the nest was built. It was a very inexperienced sort of nest—too low down and in a bad place, and badly built. I have referred to him as a male because we eventually made up our minds that he must be the cock bird. It seems, anyway, to rather point to the fact that Rooks only pair for the nesting season."

PETER BAIN.

Did Birds Originate from Reptiles?

Sir,—Of course the real fact is that both birds and reptiles, as we have them now, originated from a common stock, which during the centuries has split up into two (or more) different branches, one of which is represented by birds and another by reptiles. In nearly all free libraries books can be found that will give a short and easy account of the facts which tend to prove this.

Mr. Hargreaves seems to have read his Bible carelessly if he thinks the Bible contradicts the evolution theory. The Bible is the most wonderful and beautiful book we have, but it was written by different men to teach us something of more importance than science. At the same time it does not at all contradict the idea that different animals may have had a common ancestor. Is it monstrous that all the varieties of Canary are descended from a wild green one?

I did not know that Darwin tried to produce anything but a pigeon from a pigeon, Mr. Hargreaves seems to have read Darwin carelessly, too. Darwin's theory was that it took untold ages for animals to progress upwards, and that very little difference could be detected during so short a time as the life of a man. (Rev.) H. A. SOAMES.

Sir,—Mr. J. S. Hargreaves asks "Did Darwin get anything else than pigeons from all his experimenting?" That great scientist did not expect anything else but pigeons. His experiments were only in the direction of variety. Then Mr. Hargreaves interjects "monstrous!" and seems to think that by the use of this adjective the foundations of the theory of evolution are removed. But adjectives prove nothing; and I should like to point out that monstrous things are very often true, i.e., the back slums of our cities, war, hungry children, etc. The process of evolution is certainly monstrous. We are proceeding now with the gradual struggle upwards from the brute—"Man's inhumanity to man," and all it has entailed.

We are requested to read the first chapter of Genesis. The first chapter of Genesis is a very fine poem, and thanks to the translators is told in very simple but beautiful language; but what have the philosophic ideas of four thousand years ago to do with the theory of evolution? It is a geological fact that climates change. England itself has passed from arctic to tropic and back to arctic again. We are now passing through a temperate period. Fauna and flora which can gradually become adapted to the changing conditions survive; those species which resist adaptation cease to exist. The different climatic condi-

tions compel a change in form and habit in the survivors.

In prehistoric times many species of flying reptiles existed; but no feathered birds (refer to geological works and visit the British Museum). As the climate and temperature changed, some of the flying reptiles gradually (through hundreds of thousands of years) became adapted to the changed conditions. Many became extinct; but the most suitable varieties slowly evolved into our many and varied modern birds. W. CHALCROFT.

Sir,—I often think Carlyle was very near the mark when he said that "People were mostly fools." One of your correspondents has propounded the question, "Did birds spring from reptiles?" While admitting that some of the facts in connection with evolution are indisputable, there are other theories advanced which are an insult to reason and common-sense. Men from monkeys is bad enough (by the bye, can any of your readers who believe in that nonsense tell us what has become of the monkeys' tails?). And now, forsooth, "birds from reptiles" is what we are asked to believe. I shall not be surprised if some fool or another asks us to believe that the Sparrow produced the Eagle, or the mouse the elephant, or the daisy the rose. Scientific research let us have by all means, but upon all such questions as "Did birds spring from reptiles?" let us use our common-sense (if we have any?). J. C. WILMOT.

Sir,—The evolution of the bird from the reptile is obvious to anyone who knows anything of the subject. Mr. Wells demonstrates this beyond doubt. Mr. J. I. Hargreaves' ideas are certainly rather quaint. He apparently imagines that evolution can be accomplished in a generation or two. He will probably be surprised to hear that even a minor alteration takes several thousands of years. His idea about the origin of man is quite wrong. Man and apes were evolved from a common ancestor, not one from the other. This fact he will, of course, be disposed to doubt; but if he has seen the jawbone of this ape-man side by side with those of man and of a chimpanzee, as I have had the privilege of seeing, he would no longer doubt it. Also, is it not rather a curious "coincidence" that man and the apes have almost precisely the same form. The sentences ending in "monstrous" show that he has little acquaintance with natural phenomena; if he had he would call nothing "monstrous" in nature. Genesis was written for people who were as children, and a deeper meaning underlies its words. This is not my own theory, but that of a clergyman. Re Mr. Johnson's letter, scientists do not expect to have to convince men who "have not had the facilities or the advantages of a higher education," but men of their own knowledge and intellectual station. Others are not in a position to question it. R. MAXWELL SAVAGE.

Several letters on the above topic held over.

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How the Yorkshire Canaries Looked to the Costermonger.

Sir,—It is somewhat amusing to note the peculiar—not to say extravagant—ideas of many people upon the size and length of objects they sometimes see. I was much amused at the vivid description given me of some Yorkshire Canaries by a London costermonger, who had been into the country on holiday bent. This particular costermonger is a keen dog fancier, and, strange to say, particularly keen on a Yorkshire terrier. "I have been on a bit of a flutter into the country," he said, "and I met a bloke who knows you, Mr. Gardner." Of course, I was at once interested; one never knows whether acquaintances are contemplating leaving one a fortune! I said, "Well, and who was the bloke? And what had he to say about me?" "He never spoke a word against you, guv'nor, not 'e. For you; not 'alf! Don't you forget it, he had some beautiful Canaries. Never saw anything like 'em. Why, some of 'em were as long as that"—(indicating about a foot in measurement). I smiled. He said—"Straight! Don't you believe me? How do they get 'em as long as that? As long as whip handles and as straight as a broom handle."

His face was alight with interest as he rattled on—"The bloke said he knows you, guv'nor! And when I told him I had known you these last 20 years, he said, 'Tell him, if you see him, that I have got a few neat 'uns.' And he had 'em in a special sort of cage. I never see the likes afore. Why, the cages

stood as high as that (indicating another two feet)."

He whistled and said, "Good morning; I must be looking after these strawb'ries. I told old Charlie, the banana bloke, that his Canary wasn't in it with some I'd seen, and he swore I was 'kidding'! I said 'kidding,' you old fool, why it 'ud take you a week to walk the length of one of 'em at the pace you go!"

Small wonder there is an outcry against excessive length in Yorkshire Canaries if this is how they strike a dog fancier, eh? G. G.

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GRANTHAM C.B.S.

N.F. show, headquarters, July 9, proved an eye-opener to many after such a bad breeding season. The entry was fair, but quality good, and many a promising youngster made its debut. Mr. P. Lockton judged and his awards gave every satisfaction. YELL. NOR.: 1, Ratchell. BUFF: 1, Twilley; 2, 3, Ratchell. NOV. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Walton. BUFF: 1, Walton; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Geeson.—H. Lowther, Hon. Sec.

CUMBERLAND AND WESTMORLAND Y.C.C.

Second Annual Y.B. Show, July 8, Furnace-lane School Room, Maryport. Mr. Nixon, chairman, judging, in the absence of Mr. Nicholson, who was appointed judge. There were 31 entries, very good, considering the poor luck the members had with their new round. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Stewart, Whitehaven; 3, Tweedie. BUFF: 1, Stewart; 2, Lynn; 3, Tweedie. NOV.: CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Buchanan, Whitehaven; 3, Palmer. BUFF: 1, 2, Green, Maryport.—J. Huntington, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

N.F. show, July 4, Mr. Farrer judging. His awards were well received. Mr. Conerton gave a stone of seed as spl. for most points, which was won by J. Rishborough. There was a good total of entries, especially when considering the indifferent results obtained by local fanciers. Perhaps with the next round the average may be higher, and so make our last N.F. show on August 1 a banner.

YORKS: 1, 2, 3, 4, Walker; 5, 7, Smith; 6, Brown. NOR.: 1, Proctor; 2, Rawson. LIZ.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Rishborough; 4, 5, 7, Proctor. BORD.: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, Davison; 2, Smith. CRESTS: 1, 2, 3, Rishborough; 4, Rawson. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Rishborough. BRIT.: 1, 3, 4, Waters; 2, Brown; 5, Owens.—J. Peacock.

GLYD BANK C.B.C.

Meeting and N.F. Show, at 81, Kilbowie-road, July 4. Considering the poor breeding results we had a good turnout, over 50 birds being staged. During the judging by Mr. J. Young, Rutherglen, we held a meeting, and allocated the specials.

CRESTS: 1, A. Hay; 2, 3, 4, K. McNair. C.B.: 1, 2, Hay. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, French; 2, 3, 5, Docherty; 4, Kane; 6, Morton. BUFF: 1, 2, French; 2, Tawse; 4, Docherty; 5, Chambers; 6, Morton. YELL. VAR.: 1, French; 2, Tawse; 3, Chambers. BUFF: 1, Tawse; 2, French; 3, Kane; 4, Chambers. BORD., CL. OR TKD.: 1, 2, Tawse. VAR.: 1, 2, 3, Brown. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, Laing. YORKS., CL. OR TKD.: 1, Kane. VAR., GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, 3, K. McNair; 4, Kane. A.O.V.: 1, Tawse; 2, Chambers; 3, 4, 5, K. McNair. DARK MULES: 1, 2, 3, Morton.—Wm. Kane, Sec.

COVENTRY O.S.

38th Annual Young Stock Show, Headquarters, the Sydney Palace, July 11. Mr. T. Judd put down a fine team of Norwich, also Mr. Dickinson. Mr. A. J. Smith and G. Peters put down some fine young Crests. Mr. G. Hall judged, his awards being well received. Mr. A. Green made a very obliging secretary.

CL. YELL.: 1, 3, Judd, leader grand type, nice qual., we made excellent coloured buff; 2, Dickinson, nice type, good head and neck; vhc, hc, Turrell; c, Corral. BUFF: 1, Judd, good type, nice head and neck; 2, Peters, nice type, good col.; 3, vhc, Dickinson; hc, Corral. TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Corral, tkd. and varieg., both nice type and qual.; 2, hc, Dickinson, tkd. neck, nice type; vhc, Slaymaker; c, Farrell. BUFF: 1, Judd, mkd. right wing, lovely type and qual., good col., with a favourable moult, should be heard of again; 2, Dickinson, tkd head, eyes, and wings, nice qual.; 3, Bell, heavily varieg., nice qual., trifle smaller; vhc, Turrell; hc, Rowley. CREST: 1, Smith, nearly green, only five to six weeks' old, but with large drooping crest, nice neat centre, a real good one; 2, 3, Peters, both even toned, D.C., larger, nice veiny feathered Crest, but hardly so massive, still a good one; 3, smaller. C.B.: 1, Rowley, large cl., looks to have plenty of feathers; 2, Smith, eye and wing mkd. yell.; 3, Peters, nearly green, good feathers; vhc, Smith. CINN.: 1, 2, Rowley, very young. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Rowley, green Yorks. MULE: 1, Dickinson. BRIT.: 1, Dickinson, Greenf. ANY AGE NOR.: 1, 2, Butler; 3, Dickinson; vhc, Rowley; hc, c, Bell. CREST OR C.B.: 1, Smith; 2, 3, Gilbert; vhc, hc, Rowley. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Green, nice Cinn., and a Yorks. MULE: 1, 2, Gilbert; 3, Dickinson. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Gilbert, Bullf. A.O. SMALL: 1, Gilbert, Linnet. LARGE: 1, Gilbert, Hawfinch.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

N.F. show, June 27, 147 birds facing the judges, Messrs. T. Roylands and J. W. Metcalfe, who gave every satisfaction. The show was well patronised by visitors. Mr. F. Rothwell won the gold-centre medal for best champion Yorks; Mr. Pyc spl. best Novice Yorks; Mr. Atherton spl. best Nor. Mr. F. S. Broadbent won most points in Novice Yorks. Members having unsold tickets or ticket money will greatly oblige by returning same to me soon as possible.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, spl. Rothwell; 2, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling; 2, Rothwell. TKD. YELL.: 1, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Skilling. SELF. YELL.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Skilling. BUFF: 1, Rothwell; 2, Skilling. NOV. YORKS. CL. YELL. (9): 1, 2, hc, Broadbent; 3, Grice; vhc, Woodcock; c, McLaughlin. BUFF (8): 1, Broadbent; 2, Woodcock; 3, Pyc; vhc, Grice; hc, Hammond; c, Leadbetter. TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Broadbent; 2, Hammond; 3, Nugent; vhc, McLaughlin; hc, Woodcock; c, Blaylock. BUFF (8): 1, c, Broadbent; 2, Woodcock; 3, Foxcroft; vhc, Leadbetter; hc, Blaylock. VARIEG. YELL. (4): 1, spl. Pyc; 2, Leadbetter; 3, Foxcroft; vhc, Hammond. BUFF (5): 1, Pyc; 2, Broadbent; 3, Leadbetter; vhc, Foxcroft; hc, Leonard. A.O.V. YELL.: 1, Pyc. BUFF: 1, Nowlan. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, Woodcock; 2, Foxcroft. BUFF (8): 1, 3, McLaughlin; 2, vhc, Leadbetter; hc, Percival; c, Nowlan. FOUL BUFF: 1, Grice; 2, Foxcroft; 3, Pyc. NOR. CL. YEL. (4): 1, McCoy; 2, Atherton; 3, vhc, Eaton. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, McCoy; vhc, Atherton. TKD. BUFF: 1, 2, Atherton. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, spl. Atherton. A.O.V. YELL.: 1, Leonard. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, McCoy. BUFF: 1, McCoy. GOLDF. (9): 1, Hilton; 2, Simon; 3, Rothwell; vhc, Leonard; hc, McCoy; c, Percival. BULLF.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Wilkins. GREENF. (7): 1, Wilkins; 2, McCoy; 3, Nowlan; vhc, Williams; hc, Rothwell; c, Hilton. CHAFF. (6): 1, Wilkins; 2, Nowlan; 3, Hilton; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Williams; c, McCoy. BRAMBLE: 1, Wilkins; 2, Simon. LINNET (6): 1, 3, Wilkins;

2, c, Hilton; vhc, Rothwell; hc, Simon. REDPOLL, ETC. (8): 1, Rothwell; 2, vhc, Hilton; 3, hc, Wilkins; c, Simon. A.O.V.: 1, Hilton; 2, Wilkins; 3, vhc, Williams; hc, Simon. HEN: 1, Wilkins; 2, Hilton. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, 3, McCoy; vhc, Simon. 1914 MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Eaton.—E. S. Broadbent, Hon. Sec.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S. F.F. Show, July 4. There was a good turn up of birds and visitors at Headquarters, Ablon-street. Mr. W. E. Blaydon judged and gave complete satisfaction. NOR. YELL.: 1, Phillips; 2, 4, hc, Foxall; 3, Marsland; vhc, Storey. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Marsland; 4, vhc, c, Kelsall; hc, Foxall. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 4, hc, Storey; 2, 3, vhc, Pyc. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, vhc, Storey; 3, hc, Pyc.—J. Whitehead, Sec.

BRISTOL (East) C.B.S. Second N.F. Show, July 6, Headquarters, Glass House Hotel. Mr. Hiscox presiding. The meeting was well attended. Decided to put up a silver cup for competition in the British section, voluntarily subscribed for by the members. Mr. Yorke judged and gave every satisfaction. The yellow class of Yorkshires was well filled. YORKS. YELL.: 1, sp, medal, Kendal; 2, Frcke; 3, Hodge; 4, Hcs; vhc, c, Stale; hc, Norman. BUFF: 1, sp, Frcke; 2, Flock; 3, Hiscox; 4, Lockhart.—W. J. Norman, Sec.

SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PARK C.B.S. F.F. show July 4. Entries were down from last year owing to another show on same date, and also to a scarcity of youngsters in this district.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Braid; 2, 3, Robertson; 4, Fyfe. BUFF: 1, sp, McLeod; 2, Braid; 3, Robertson; 4, Fyfe. BUFF. HEN: 1, sp, McLeod; 2, Fyfe; 3, Robertson; 4, Braid. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, McLeod; 2, Fyfe; 3, Braid. BUFF: 1, Braid. CREST: 1, Lindsay. C.B.: 1, Lindsay. BORD. CL. YELL.: 1, Penman. BUFF: 1, Morrison; 2, Penman. YELL. VARIEG.: 1, 2, sp, Morrison; 3, 4, Swan. BUFF: 1, sp, Morrison. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 2, Swan. Best and 2nd best Nor., McLeod; best and 2nd best Bord., Morrison.—T. Penman, Sec.

WIDNES.

F.F. show July 4, Conservative Club Assembly Room; less than 30 young birds turned up, but quality was good. Several old fanciers in this district failed to turn their birds out, and in future it would appear to lie to the young bloods to come out stronger and make the Fancy a greater success hereabouts. Mr. Andrews, hon. sec., sticks it right well, and the young fanciers should rally to him and keep matters improving. Mr. C. Houlton judged.

YORKS. YELL.: 1, Lowe and Howard. BUFF: 1, Lowe and Howard. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Abbott, fine type and quality, good col.; 2, Lowe and Howard, fine head, nice feather, etc.; vhc, Potter. BUFF (8): 1, Lowe and Howard, typical; 2, c, Abbott, varieg., very cobby, full of bloom and cond.; 3, Potter, cl., chubby type, nice qual.; vhc, Capper, hc, Hayes. NOR. GR.: 1, Capper. GOLDF.: 1, Hampson, fine blaze, etc.; 2, Jones, rare good colour, blaze, smaller and paler body tan. LINNET: 1, Jones. A.O.V.: 1, Higham, good Bullf.; 2, Lowe and Howard, Bramble; 3, Hampson, Siskin. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, Lowe and Howard. BUFF: 1, 2, Lowe and Howard; 3, Poppie.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET, AND PELTON FELL (Amal).

First Annual N.F. Show, July 4, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-st. Entries totaled 68, very good considering the very indifferent breeding season some of our members are experiencing, others having birds breaking into moult, and some not ready yet. Mr. H. Seely, Choppington, judged. NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Redpath; 2, 3, Robinson; vhc, c, Elliot. BUFF (6): 1, 3, vhc, Lindsay; 2, hc, Robinson; c, Redpath. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, 3, Redpath; 2, vhc, Robinson; hc, c, Walker. BUFF (7): 1, c, Dawson; 2, 3, Robinson; vhc, Redpath; hc, Ward. CRESTS (3): 1, Redpath; 2, 3, Bewicke. C.B. (4): 1, 2, Redpath; 3, vhc, Bewicke. A.O.V.: 1, Dawson; 2, 3, Bewicke; vhc, Walker; hc, Robinson; c, Ward. MULE: 1, Lindsay; 2, Boyd. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Dawson; 2, Lindsay; 3, Boyd. GREENF.: 1, 2, Lindsay. H.M. LINNET (4): 1, 2, Dawson; 3, Dawson; vhc, Robinson. F.M. (2): 1, Dawson; 2, Robinson. HARDBILL: 1, 2, Davidson; 3, Lindsay. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Davidson. BRIT-POLL, ETC.: 1, 3, Dawson; 2, Boyd; vhc, Ward. BUNTING: 1, Boyd; 2, 3, Davidson; vhc, Lindsay. FOR.: 1, Dawson. Second N.F. Show, Birtley, Station Hotel, July 18, when a good turnout is expected. R. Ward, Sec.

BURNEMOUTH C.B.S.

Annual N.F. Show, July 8, in St. Peter's Hall. Entries came up fairly well, but several of the birds were well broken in their moult, which put them back. Norwich were a good lot, and with a good moult should make some toppers. Mr. H. Matthews won challenge cup for best young bird with a topping cl. buff, wonderful size, and good quality. Mr. Howard showed some youngsters of grand merit. Yorkshires were a good lot, many were quite up to their work, and of great promise. Crest and C.B. were a very nice collection, those belonging to Miss Onslow were well up in size, but several very young, and should make up well. In old birds Mrs. Downing-Farrar showed a grand team. Mr. Bousfield's Yorks were a nice lot, as also were the British and Foreign belonging to Miss Bousfield. Mr. W. R. Miles judged.

NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Howard; vhc, c, Mrs. Downing-Farrar; hc, Matthews. TKD.: 1, Howard; 2, Allen; 3, Mrs. Downing-Farrar; vhc, c, Matthews; hc, Allen. BUFF: 1, cup, spl., best in show; 3, Matthews; 2, vhc, Allen; hc, c, Howard. TKD.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Matthews. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Yorke; 2, 3, Miss Bousfield. TKD.: 1, Egerton; 2, Edwards; 3, hc, Fulford; hc, Miss Bousfield. BUFF: 1, Edwards; 2, Egerton; 3, vhc, Fulford; hc, Yorke; c, Miss Bousfield. TKD.: 1, Miss Bousfield; 2, Fulford; 3, Egerton. CREST: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Miss Onslow. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Miss Onslow; vhc, hc, c, Allen. MULES: 1, Goodland, Light Goldie; 2, 3, Miss Bousfield. NOR. OLD BIRDS: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Miss Downing-Farrar. BUFF: 1, 2, Miss Downing-Farrar. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, L. Bousfield; 2, Fulford; vhc, H. Bousfield; hc, Egerton. BUFF: 1, Egerton; 2, 3, Bousfield; vhc, Edwards. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Miss Onslow. BRIT: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Miss Bousfield, a wonderful team; c, Aitchison. FOR.: All prizes and honours to Miss Bousfield, a fine lot.

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SHETTLESTON C.B.S.

F.F. show, Good Templars' Hall, July 11. Entries were back from last year, but quality was good. Mr. Young, Rutherglen, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CRESTS: 1, Hood. C.B.: 1, Hood. NOR. YELL.: 1, Davidson; 2, 5, Irvine; 3, Houston; 4, Berry; 6, Forrest. BUFF: 1, Davidson; 2, 5, Jackson; 3, 4, Irvine. BORD. YELL.: 1, 2, Howieson; 3, Tennant; 4, Baird. BUFF: 1, Tennant. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, 4, Wood; 3, Baird. BUFF: 1, 3, Baird; 2, 4, Wood.—A. Berry, Sec.

BARNSELY C.B.S.

F.F. show, headquarters, Clarence Hotel, July 11. A very nice collection of youngsters were in competition. Mr. Frank Race judged and his awards gave every satisfaction.

YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Hinchliffe; 2, Pilkington. BUFF: 1, Toulson; 2, Pilkington; 3, Hinchliffe. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Toulson; 2, 3, Hinchliffe. BUFF: 1, vhc, Hinchliffe; 2, Pilkington; 3, 4, Toulson. NOR. YELL.: 1, vhc, Heeley; 2, 3, c, Hall; hc, Hetherington. BUFF: 1, Heeley; 2, Hall; 3, Hetherington. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 4, Toulson; 2, vhc, Hingworth; 3, Heeley.—E. Toulson, Sec.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.

Second Y.B. show, July 11, Fleece Hotel, Stanningley. Forty-three birds were shown, all Yorks. Mr. J. A. Taylor judged in a very able manner. Most points: W. Winn 24, E. Marsh 23, H. Raistrick 15, E. Page 14, H. Taylor 13, Towler and Hargreaves 10. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (13): 1, 2, hc, Marsh; 3, vhc, Page; 4, Taylor; c, Ackroyd. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Winn; 3, 4, Taylor; vhc, hc, Allott; c, Page. MKD. YELL. (8): 1, Marsh; 2, 3, hc, Raistrick; 4, vhc, Winn; c, Ackroyd. BUFF (7): 1, Winn; 2, 4, Towler and Hargreaves; 3, Page; vhc, Marsh; hc, Raistrick; c, Patchett and Drake. W. Winn won sp. most points.—H. Raistrick, Sec.

AMBLE C.B.S.

F.F. show, July 4, in a room kindly granted by Mrs. Gibson, in the Gardeners' Arms. Mr. R. Luke, Chevington Drift, judged and gave every satisfaction.

NOR. YELL. (8): 1, Richardson; 2, 3, Cockburn; vhc, Morgan; hc, Penrose; c, Smailes. BUFF (13): 1, 2, Badminton; 3, Robson; vhc, Cockburn; hc, Smailes; c, Aston. BORD. YELL. (7): 1, Aston; 2, hc, Smailes; 3, hc, Douglas and Lee; c, Smailes; c, Darling. BUFF (10): 1, 3, c, Aston; 2, Douglas and Lee; vhc, Smailes; hc, Glass, A.O.V. (3): 1, Badminton, light variegated Mule; 2, 3, Darling. LINNET: 1, Glass; 2, Orackett and Hume; 3, hc, John Aston; vhc, Douglas and Lee; c, Aston. A.O. BRIT. (3): 1, Morgan; 2, Robson; 3, Aston.—J. T. Crackett, Sec.

MACCLESFIELD C.B.S.

F.F. Show, Daybrook Street School, July 11. Judge, Mr. F. Broadhurst. Entries numbered 54, and some very promising birds were shown; winners of most points: R. Hall, 29 pts.; J. Bracegirdle, 20, in crumpions and / Moores, 20 pts.; H. Steel, 18 pts., in novices.

CHAMP. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, Barrett. BUFF: 1, hc, Hall; 2, vhc, Bracegirdle; 3, c, Cundiff. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Bracegirdle; 2, Cundiff; hc, 3, Barrett, vhc, Hall. BUFF: 1, Bracegirdle; 2, 3, Cundiff; vhc, Hall; hc, Barrett. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, 2, 3, Hall, White Canaries. NOV. YELL. NOR. CL.: 1, 3, vhc, Cundiff; 2, Moores. BUFF: 1, J. Sherratt; c, J. Sherratt; vhc, Harrison; hc, Mollard; 3, hc, Mollard. YELL.: 1, Steel; 2, BUFF: 1, Steel; 2, Mollard; 3, vhc, Moores; hc, C. Sherratt; c, Cundiff. CLASS 12: 1, Mollard.—H. Hall, Sec. Hon. Sec.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 11. 70 birds were staged, and amongst them were some good ones, which should be heard of at the open shows. Borders were a grand lot, and were the chief section of the show. Norwich and Yorks. classes were badly represented, but British and Mules were very satisfactory. Sp. for best bird was won by J. Nicholson with a grand buff Border. Second best, W. Tallantyre, a nice yell. Border; best bird by a novice, G. Heslop, a nice yell. Border; and second best novice, J. Dodd, a nice marked buff Yorks.

BORD., CL. YELL.: 1, Heslop; 2, c, Tallantyre; 3, vhc, Nicholson; hc, Dodd. BUFF: 1, 2, Nicholson; 3, Heslop; vhc, c, Nixon; hc, Tallantyre. MKD. YELL.: 1, hc, Nicholson; 2, Heslop; 3, vhc, Tallantyre; c, Nixon. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Nicholson; 2, Heslop; hc, Dodd; c, Nixon. GR.: 1, 2, 3, Nicholson. CINN.: 1, 3, Heslop; 2, vhc, Nicholson. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, 3, Heslop; 2, vhc, Nicholson; 2, Graham; 3, vhc, hc, Bowerbank Bros. YORKS.: 1, 2, Dodd. DK. MULE: 1, 3, vhc, hc, c, Bowerbank Bros.; 2, Walton. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, Morrow; 3, Bowerbank Bros. LINNET: 1, 2, Bowerbank Bros. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Dodd; 2, Morrow; 3, vhc, c, Bowerbank Bros.; hc, Walton. FOR.: 1, Nixon; 2, Morrow.—W. Tallantyre, Sec.

MANCHESTER AND N.C.O.S.

25th Annual N.F. show, St. Paul's Schools, Bennett Street, July 4. Entries numbered 160, and quality was well up to the usual Manchester standard. The show attracted a large number of visitors. Gold medal for best team of four young Canaries was won by Mr. F. Wilkinson with a grand team of Yorks. In British birds, the gold medal was won by Mr. S. T. Oldham, with a team of exceptional merit. Other specials were carried off by Messrs. Cook, Brown, Drew, McTurk, Mitchell, James, Massey, and Hope. Mr. W. Smith took premier honours in the foreign section with a grand pair of Red-collared Lorics. All arrangements were well in hand, and all prize money was paid before close of the show. Mr. A. Wellings (Preston) judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Broughton. BUFF: 1, Broughton; 2, 3, Wilkinson. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 2, Wilkinson; 3, 4, Broughton; vhc, hc, Hubbard. BUFF: 1, 2, Wilkinson; 3, Broughton. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Vint; 4, Cook. BUFF: 1, Vint; 2, 3, Hubbard. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Cook; 2, Vint; 3, Smith. BUFF: 1, 3, Cook; 2, Smith; 4, Vint. BORD. BUFF: 1, 2, Colbeck. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Raynes. AMAT., LIZ. GOLD: 1, Moorhey. SILVER: 1, Moorhey. YORKS., CL. YELL.: 1, Tansey; 2, Humphries; 3, Wilson; 4, vhc, hc, Taylor; c, Jones. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Brown; 2, Wilson; vhc, Barlow; hc, Jones. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 3, Brown; 2, Tansey; 4, Wilson; vhc, hc, Barlow; hc, Jones. BUFF: 1, 3, Brown; 2, Tansey; 4, Wilson; vhc, Humphries; hc, Barlow; c, Jones. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bowden; 3, Bruce. BUFF: 1, Brnee; 2, Bowden; 3, Mitchell. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Bowden. BUFF: 1, 2, Bruce; 3, 4, Bowden; vhc, Mitchell. NOV. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, 2, Lomax; 3, Drew; 4, Shaw. BUFF: 1, Drew; 2, McTurk; 3, Lomax; 4, Wilkinson. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, McTurk; 2, Drew; 3, Wilkinson; 4, vhc, Cheatham. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, McTurk; 2, Drew; vhc, Wilkinson. NOR. TKD. OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, James. CHAMP. AMAT. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, c, Oldham. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Hope; 2, Smith; 3, Hubbard; 4,

Lewis. LINNET: 1, 2, Oldham. GREENF.: 1, Lewis. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Oldham; vhc, Hope; hc, Hubbard; c, Lewis. FOR. A.V.: 1, 4, hc, Smith; 2, 3, vhc, c, Hubbard. NOV. YOUNG DARK MULE: 1, 2, Shaw; 3, Welch. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Stratford. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 3, Massey; 2, Fletcher. LINNET: 1, Fletcher; 2, 3, Massey; 4, Stratford. GREENF.: 1, Stratford. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 4, Fletcher; 2, 3, Stratford; vhc, Massey. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, 3, Massey; 2, Fletcher.—F. Hayward, Hon. Sec.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.

Second N.F. show, July 11, Wharf Hotel, Mr. J. H. Harrison, Hebdon Bridge, judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

OPEN: CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 3, Walker; 2, Sutcliffe and Highby; 4, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, 3, Walker; 2, Sutcliffe; 3, Sutcliffe and Highby. EVEN, &c.: 1, 2, Sutcliffe; 3, Sutcliffe and Highby. NOVICE SECTION: CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hardy; 2, 3, 4, Twyeross. BUFF: 1, Hardy; 2, Twyeross. Spl. for most points, F. Walker, 32 points.—G. Mitchell, Sec.

ISLINGTON F.A.

Members' show, headquarters, July 11. Mr. Geo. Wainwright, the hon. sec., and his excellent and capable assistants, did all they could to get an entry, but the "fall" of the breeding season and the approach of moult defeated them. Mr. G. Gardner judged. Special best bird was won by Mr. A. G. Lagden, with a nice buff Norwich.

YORKS.: 1, 2, Neighbour; 3, res, Bat-man, leaders very smart upstanding yellows. NOR.: 1, sp, 2, Lagden, buff and grizzle cap yell., nice shape, qual. and col.; 3, Bibb, varieg., good shape. UNWIG. NOR.: 1, 2, Lagden, leader nice body, rare head and qual.; 2, scarcely so clubby, nice feather.

CAMBRIDGE AND COUNTY C.B.A.

Annual Y.B. show, Alexandra Hall, July 9. The birds have not proved very prolific this season, and as a result the entry was only fair. Mr. G. Langley supplied winner of medal for best in show. Mr. J. T. Palmer judged in his usual satisfactory manner, and the staging was superintended by Mr. W. Ridgeon (hon. sec.).

NOR. YELL.: 1 (second best bird in show), 2, Bishop and Son; 3, Nichols. BUFF: 1, Heaton; 2, 3, Manning. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Langley. BUFF: 1, 2, Langley; 3, Bishop and Son. BORD.: 1, 2, Stiles. A.O.V.: Hart. NOR. (Nov.): Cooper. In British Mr. Hart and Mr. Nichols were to the fore.

WINDSOR C.B.F.

F.F. show, headquarters, July 8. 40 birds were staged, and quality was very high, particularly amongst the Yorks. Mr. King secured sp. for best bird with a very fine buff Yorks. Mr. Burfoot judged, and gave every satisfaction. The show was in every way a success.

NOR.: 1, 2, Tilly. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. BUFF: 1, sp, 2, King; 3, Frisby; 4, vhc, Turner; hc, Montgomery; c, Belcher. YELL.: 1, Turner; 2, Frisby; 3, 4, c, King; vhc, hc, Wilkins. VARIEG.: 1, Clarke; 2, hc, Turner; 3, 4, Montgomery; vhc, c, Frisby. BORD.: 1, 2, Bower. MULES: 1, 1, Montgomery; 2, 3, Clarke, jun.; 4, Tilly. NOR. YORKS.: 1, 3, hc, Higley; 2, 4, vhc, Watson. BRIT.: 1, 4, Tilly; 2, 3, Wilkins; vhc, Simms. It was decided to purchase a silver cup, to be held by non-bird maker the most points throughout the year, and a hope was expressed that some friend of the society would present us with one for competition amongst the novices. A hearty vote of thanks was given Mr. Burfoot.—H. W. Simms, Sec.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

Annual N.F. show, July 4, in the Rifle Range, and a better place for a show it would be difficult to find, lofty and well lighted, and free from draughts. Despite a moderate breeding season, entries came up fairly well, close on 60 birds being staged, and quality was very nice, Norwich especially being a very typical lot. Specials for most points in young bird classes was won by Mr. C. Davison with a very nice team of Borders, that were worthy of more competition; medal, best novice, Mr. H. Edgar, with a very smart Border. The society is well favoured in the matter of officials. Mr. J. Robson makes an ideal secretary, and the manner in which he gets through his work leaves nothing to be desired. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. YELL., 1914 (4): 1, 2, Yetts, very cobby built, lovely colour and quality, 2nd, nice shape, good col. and feather; 3, Robson. BUFF (4): 1, Anderson, nice size, good shape, neat head and neck, nice colour; 2, Hogg and Barron, plenty of size, nice shape; 3, Robson; vhc, Davison. YELL., OLD BIRDS (4): 1, 4, Robson and Dawson, leader varieg., good shape, full head and neck, nice col.; 2, Anderson; 3, Hogg and Barron. BUFF (3): 1, Hogg and Barron, cl. fine size, short, cobby body, lovely quality; 2, Anderson; 3, Davison. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, Harrison, cl., slim and finely drawn, nice col. and quality; 2, Davison. BUFF (4): 1, Harrison, fine length and pos., well braced wings, good col.; 2, Ferguson, very neat; 3, Hogg and Barron; vhc, Rushton. BORD., YELL., 1914 (1): 1, Davison. BUFF (1): 1, Davison. YELL., OLD BIRDS (2): 1, Davison; 2, Edgar. BUFF (1): 1, Davison. GR. OR CINN. (1): 1, Davison. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, Davison, leader, nice non-fed. Nor., good shape and col.; 2, yell.-green Border, good colour; 3, Crossman. MULES, ETC. (3): 1, 2, Peart, leader, well known Goldie-Greene; 2, Siskin-Can.; 3, no name. GOLDF. (3): 7, Mitchell, good col., nicely flushed face; 2, Rushton, nice size and shape; 3, Edgar. BULLF. (2): 1, Robson and Dawson, nice size and shape; 2, Blackburn. GREENF. (4): 1, Peart, short and cobby, lovely feather; 2, 3, Robson; vhc, Edgar. LINNET. H.M. (6): 1, Robson and Dawson, nice size, well pencilled, good col. and condition; 2, Hogg and Barron, smaller, well pencilled, grand condition; 3, Anderson, good col. and pencilling; vhc, c, Blackburn; hc, Harrison. F.M. (1): 1, Robson and Dawson. REDPOLL (3): 1, Robson and Dawson, nice Lesser; 2, Ferguson, Mealy, nice size, well pencilled; 3, Edgar. A.O.V. HARD (3): 1, Peart, sweet Siskin; 2, Davison, Bramble, lovely col., nice condition; 3, Hogg and Barron. SOFT. (1): 1, Nicholson. FOR. (1): 1, Robson and Dawson.—W. Reid.

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N.W. GLASGOW C.B.S.

F.F. show, Blythswood Halls, Gt. Western rd., July 4. Exhibits were down from last year, but quality was good. Mr. J. Swan judged, and his awards were well received. Specials were kindly given by the following members: Messrs. P. Thom, P. Houston, E. Taylor, R. B. Gibb, R. Brown, J. G. Adams, J. Pimlock.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.

Second Y.B. July 4, Victoria Hotel. 46 birds were staged; Mr. L. Dykes judged, and gave satisfaction to all. Best in show was won by W. Goodwin; nov. sp. most points, Mr. J. Smith.

EASTERN COUNTIES C.B.S.

Annual young bird, Ipswich Social Settlement, July 4. The season has been a bad one all over the country; in Ipswich fanciers cannot recall a worse season during many years. The exhibits, however, were in a great many instances of fine quality.

ALFRETON C.B.S.

2nd N.F. show, Red Lion, Alfreton, July 11, when a good number of birds faced the judge, Mr. E. Fox, Long Eaton, whose awards gave every satisfaction.

PORTSMOUTH AND SOUTHERN COUNTIES C.B.S.

5th Y.B. show, Long's Memorial Hall, St. Paul's Square, Southsea, July 8. The hon. sec., Mr. G. T. Hall, with a good working committee, carried out the arrangements in good style.

REDHILL C.B.S.

4th annual young stock show, Watkins' Hotel, July 1. Under the secretarial guidance of Mr. A. W. Bacon, who received great help from some of the members of the committee, the show was a great success.

feather; 2, Miss Hatch, cl., stylish, and well proportioned; 3, Ramsey, c, Culver. BORD., YELL. (7): 1, sp., 2, Martin, leader tdk. thigh, nice model, very jaunty, particularly nice head, 2 tkd. wing, dapper little bird, lovely feather; 3, he, Hewitt; vhc, Marriott; c, Neal. BUFF (12): A grand lot: 1, he, Martin, lovely little bird, tdk. on head, very jaunty, rare feather; 2, 3, Marriott, 2 very neat and nice, 3 varieg., charming feather, probably a hen; vhc, c, Hewitt. GR. BORD. (5): 1, sp., 2, vhc, Bacon, winner the most typical; he, c, Martin. A.O.V. (14): 1, sp., 2, Bacon, gr. Yorks, and a Lizard; vhc, he, Miss Hatch. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (4): 1, sp., 2, vhc, Bignall, topping Bullie, an old face, and a good Goldie; he, Smith. GREENF. OR CHAFF. (8): 1, Smith, really good Greenie, well up in feather and col.; 2, he, Marriott, lovely coloured and distinctly mtd. Challinck; 3, Bacon, Greenie, good shape and feather; vhc, Rev. Phillips; c, Bignall. SISKIN. ETC. (7): 1, Marriott, very smart, lovely marked Moely Redpoll; 2, c, Bignall, grand Siskin, rare lib and good col. and markings; 3, Bacon; vhc, he, Smith. A.O.V., including hens (5): 1, Marriott, very smart Yellow Bunting, well up in col.; 2, vhc, Bignall; he, Smith; c, Bacon. NON-MEMBERS, CAN. (6): 1, vhc, Montague, smart gr. Yorks.; 2, Morse, Lizard; he, Tiekner; c (2). Mrs. G. Goodwin. BRIT. 1, Worsfield, very fine Linnet; 2, Miss Whyman, Goldfinch.

TREDEGAR C.B.S.

N.F. show of Yorks, headquarters, "Silver Grill," July 11. Forty birds were staged, though the exhibits were not quite so numerous as last year; quality throughout was excellent, and no doubt some of the exhibits will be heard of during the show season. Mr. G. Hale (Tredegar) judged, and had not an easy task, but he gave entire satisfaction.

ALFRETON C.B.S.

2nd N.F. show, Red Lion, Alfreton, July 11, when a good number of birds faced the judge, Mr. E. Fox, Long Eaton, whose awards gave every satisfaction.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

Sixth Annual F.F. Show, July 11, St. Thomas's Schools, Ardwick. Considering that many of the members have had a bad season we had a capital entry, 135 birds being staged, over 100 being young birds. Norwich classes were well filled. Amateur class contained 16 entries and the Novice 14. Other classes averaged 9, and some splendid specimens were staged; in fact, they were the best we have ever had at any F.F. show.

YORKS, CL. YELL.

1, Downing. BUFF: 1, Downing. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Boothman; 2, Vint; 3, Peters; 4, vhc, Garbutt. NOR. CL. BUFF: 1, Boothman; 2, 3, Chilton; 4, Garbutt; vhc, he, Vint; c, Smith. TKD. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, vhc, Peters; 2, 3, Vint; 4, Smith; he, Boothman; c, Spencer. BUFF: 1, 4, Chilton; 2, Vint; 3, Thorpe; vhc, he, Peters. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Thorpe; 3, vhc, Smith. NOV. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Moss; 2, McTurk. BUFF: 1, 3, McTurk; 2, Mose; 4, Redfern. TKD. OR VAR.: 1, 2, McTurk; 3, Moss. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Warburton; 2, Saltham; 3, Richards; 4, Wolstencroft. BUFF: 1, 2, Land; 3, 4, Parish; vhc, c, Wolstencroft; he, Robinson. TKD. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, Land; 2, Walshaw; 3, Wotherspoon. BUFF: 1, Hampson; 2, Robinson; 3, c, Richards; 4, vhc, Warburton. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 3, Masheder; 2, Walshaw. BORD. YELL.: 1, Bennett; 2, 3, 4, Long. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Long; 2, Bennett. OLD MULES OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, c, Oldham. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Hope; 2, Smith; 3, Wotherspoon. LINNET: 1, 3, 4, Oldham; 2, vhc, c, Massey; he, Redfern. GREENF.: 1, Hill; 2, Redfern. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, Massey. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Oldham; 2, Hill; 3, Massey; 4, Wolstencroft. MEALY REDPOLL &c.: 1, 2, 3, Oldham; 4, vhc, c, Massey. BRIT. HEN: 1, Massey. FOR.: 1, Massey.—J. Spencer, Hon. Sec.

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ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

Y.B. show held June 20, 61 birds faced the judges, Mr. R. Cleaver and J. Hillman, who gave every satisfaction. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Sweeting; 2, 4, Vaughan. BUFF: 1, Vaughan; 2, 3, Sweeting; 4, Workman. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Parfitt. BUFF: 1, 2, Parfitt; 3, 4, Cooper. BRIT.: 1, Waters; 2, Vaughan; 3, Workman. Sp. best bird, Parfitt; sp. best 3rd bird, Sweeting; sp. best vhc, Workman.

HUDDERSFIELD.

Monthly Table Show of Young Birds, July 6, at Headquarters; 47 birds were staged; Mr. G. Cartwright; Huddersfield, judged. YORKS, CL. (14): 1, Gledhill; 2, Seedhouse; 3, Buttle and Coupland; vhc, Townend; he, Cawthray and Son; c, W. Sykes. MKD. (21): 1, 3, vhc, F. Sykes; 2, Cawthray and Son; he, c, S. and A. Radley. CINN. MKD. (8): 1, c, Rhodes; 2, Cawthray and Son; 3, Buttle and Coupland; vhc, Morris; he, W. Sykes. NOR. (4): 1, vhc, Cawthray and Son; 2, Morris; 3, Sharpe.—A. Lawford, Sec.

(Owing to an enormous number of reports of First Feather Shows again reaching us this week, several have had to be held over until our next issue.)

Country Rambles

STANLEY (Victoria) F.F. & C.B.S.

The members had their annual char-a-banc trip on July 4, and left the Victoria Club at 7.45 a.m. with a company of 33. We went by Rowlands Gill to Baydon, Prudhoe, Hexham, Whitfield and Alston, where we had dinner at the Crown Hotel and a stroll through the highest and most ancient market town in England. We left by way of Physic Hall Bank and Garrigal on our right, through 18 miles of lovely country, and at High Forse visited the waterfalls and woods, reaching Bishop Auckland at 7 p.m. We had a substantial tea and lunched home at 10.20 p.m. We spent a most lovely day and all enjoyed the grand ride and scenery. This society is to be congratulated upon the progress made, all the members being fanciers to the backbone.—W. Elliott, Sec.

GRANTHAM C.B.S.

Second ramble July 4, when members cycled to Ropsley Rise. Owing to holidays and other causes members did not turn up so strong as expected, but all that went spent a most enjoyable time, as the woods looked beautiful, covered with all kinds of wild flowers. Many birds were noticed: Yellowhammer, Chaffinch, Flycatcher, Wren, Blue Tit, Linnet, etc. A large number of Jays were seen, and these made one wish they could stage one to look as well while resting in the woods. Members mentioned how they had finished breeding. Mr. Barnes has had a remarkable season, over 90 youngsters. Mr. Jackson has bred 40 Norwich, some very nice ones among them. W. Walton has 24 Norwich; Ratcliff, 32 Norwich; Geeson, 34, chiefly Norwich; F. Brewin, 24 Norwich, Mules, and Yorkshires; Tehbutt, 15 Norwich and Rollers; T. Starkey has a few Mules; regret to say our worthy chairman, W. Twilley and G. Mann, have only bred one or two, and trust they will turn out good to make up for loss of numbers. We are thinking of holding one more outing to Belvoir; should another society round care to cycle and meet at Belvoir, we shall be pleased to try and make arrangements with them.—W. Ratcliff.

COLINTON AND CURRIE PARISHES O.S.

Second annual ramble through Riccarton (permission being kindly granted by Lady Gibson Craig). We were joined at Juniper Green by the members of the Edin. C.B.S., our number being 24 in all. At the Corslet gates we were met by our guides, Mr. Haining (factor) and Mr. Scott (head gardener). The first find was by A. Bell, jun., of Liberton, a Wren's with four eggs; a little further on we came to a wall covered with ivy, which we thought would be a good place for nests, but unfortunately it was drawn blank. The boys on the other side among the trees were more fortunate, Mr. Brown locating a Blackie with three eggs, and Mr. Charlton a Thrush with four eggs. A halt was called to muster our forces, and we left the woods for the gardens, where Mr. Scott in a very able and kindly manner answered many questions relating to the flowers, vegetables, and fruit. The gardens were a treat to see. After spending the best part of an hour here, we made tracks for the woods, where we were met by our kind host, Sir Archibald C. Gibson-Craig, and after the officials of the party had been introduced to him, we had a talk on birdy matters with him, and he quite astonished a few of the party by his knowledge of birds in general. Here Mr. Begbie took the opportunity of thanking Sir Archibald, and asked him to convey to his mother, Lady Gibson-Craig, the thanks of those present for their kindness in granting permission to go through the beautiful estate. Sir Archibald said it gave both him and his mother great pleasure to be of any little service in enabling the fanciers of the district to study bird life in its wild state, and he would be pleased to grant permission for us to go through at any future time. After thanking Sir Archibald for his kindness, we took to the woods. Mr. Michie was the only one of the party to find nests with young. After getting the party all together, we left our guides, but not before, in a few well chosen words, Mr. Begbie thanked Mr. Haining and Mr. Scott for their kindness; Mr. Haining replied, saying he hoped we would come a little earlier next year, and we would possibly get more nests. Juniper Green was soon reached, and we adjourned to the Co-op. Society's premises, where tea was waiting for us. After doing good justice to a splendid tea, we adjourned to the Railway Inn, and called Mr. Begbie to the chair. Mr. Begbie proposed toast of "Long Life and Prosperity to Sir Archibald Gibson-Craig and his mother, Lady Gibson-Craig," thanking them for giving us such a pleasant afternoon. Mr. Brown, Leith O.S., proposed "The Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S.," and thanked the members for arranging such a pleasant ramble, and Mr. Charlton, Edinburgh C.B.S., also thanked the members, and especially the sec., for the splendid arrangements made. Mr. A. W. Watson, president of Edinburgh C.B.S., joined in thanking the Colinton and Currie members for inviting the Edinburgh C.B.S. to join in the ramble. Mr. Begbie replied in a few words, saying he hoped when another ramble came round that the members of the Edinburgh C.B.S. would again join us. The evening was finished in song and story, when Messrs. J. Napier, Dickson, Charlton, Brown, Dick, and Begbie kindly obliged with songs, all being greatly appreciated, especially Mr. Dick's rendering of "The Wedding Bells," Mr. Charlton's "Mona," and Mr. Begbie's "Herrin' Barns." The company broke up with the singing of Auld Lang Syne, and so ended one of the most pleasant days yet experienced in connection with the Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S.—Jas. Napier, Sec.

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Canaries, Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids H. Norman, Foreign Birds—Wesley T. Page, P.Z.S. Wild Bird Life—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ERADICATING GREY LICE (B. S.).—I suspect these particular birds are of a weakly constitution, but, even so, the repeated washings should have been effectual; really you washed the birds too often. The object of the repeated washings is to eradicate any fresh insects that may hatch out from "nits" after the first washing, and three washes with an interval of a week between each should be all that is necessary in any case. For the affected birds I would now advise you to scald all nest boxes in strong soda water, and see that all the nesting material is free from contamination, and do not mix up the appliances of this cage with any of the others. Give a bath twice a week in which you have mixed a little sulphuretted potash, in the proportion of a teaspoonful to a pint of water, and continue these baths until all trace of the insects has disappeared. Also give a morsel of bread and milk every second day for a fortnight or so, and once each week add a dusting of flowers of sulphur to it, and on each of the other occasions put on two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and sprinkle with soft sugar. On the alternating day add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the drinking water.

AILING YOUNG (H. Hardisty).—Your feeding is scarcely correct, and I think possibly you may take the young away from the parents a little too early. You say you have not been able to detect whether there is any diarrhoea, yet this should be self-evident by the condition of the cage floor. If you have any more young broods do not wholly separate them until you see that they are beginning to crack canary seed for themselves. Then give a staple of plain canary, and place a teaspoonful of summer rape on top of it each day for the brood. Also continue giving egg food (or you may occasionally substitute a little bread and milk for egg food as a change) daily until they have taken voluntarily to the dry seeds as their chief diet. Allow a heaped teaspoonful of soft food at first between every two birds, and gradually reduce this quantity as you notice the birds eat more freely of the seeds provided. Also give separately a similar quantity of a mixture of cracked hemp and broken groats each afternoon, and gradually discontinue this in the same way as the egg food. Eventually bring them on to a staple of plain canary seed, with a half teaspoonful of summer rape every second day, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of a mixture of hemp, niger, teazle, black rape, millet, and broken groats twice each week, and on two other days a like quantity of egg food. Keep a regular supply of pure fresh water available always, and see that all vessels are sweet and clean. You need only withhold green food for a few days after separating the birds, and then give a few seed-heads of shepherd's purse, plantain stalks, or seedy chickweed, about every second day. Adopt this system now with the ailing birds, dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a pea in the water for two days, and then add 20 drops of Chemical Food daily for a week or so.

BREEDS FOR SINGING (J. H. P.).—As you want only good songsters, I cannot advise you to go in for fancy varieties as companions for the Rollers. Well-trained Rollers are far and away the best singers of all the Canary tribe, and their association with ordinary singing Canaries is practically certain to result sooner or later in deterioration of the quality of the Roller's song. Therefore, your best course is to have none but well-trained Rollers.—St. Andreasberg or Seifert, if you desire variety in the song, or birds trained to excel in hollow or glucke rolls if you prefer exceptionally long rolling tours. But if you really wish some other variety of Canary they may be placed in the following order as singers:—A first cross with Roller and either Border Fancy, Yorkshire, or Norwich; and pure Border Fancy; Yorkshire; Norwich; Crest or Crest-bred; all the rest on about the same level. For singing keep the birds caged separately, one in each cage.

GROWTH ON BEAK (C. E. H.).—Touch the growth once with a match stick dipped in tincture of iodine, and a few days after this begin to smear

it slightly with sulphur ointment twice a week, and continue this for a month if necessary, or you may cease sooner if the growth scales off in less time. Possibly the bird is getting old, and these accumulations are not uncommon in aged birds. No other treatment should be necessary.

WHAT RESULTS? (B. F. G. M. S.).—In the latter portion of this reply last week, the inversion of the figures describing the part of "Our Canaries" advised for reference made it appear as if Part II. was advised, where it was Part XI. Will querist please note?

COLOUR FEEDING PARENTS WITH YOUNG (C. A. B.).—If only the sweet or tasteless pepper is used, and not more than half strength, there is no likelihood of the young being done any harm by adding the colour to the egg food which the parents will be feeding the young with. But there is little or nothing to be gained by feeding the young in the nest; and in addition there is the risk that the parents will not feed the young so freely on the uncoloured food as they might on ordinary food, and if the cock drops into moult deeply the half-strength food will certainly not be sufficient to colour him properly. Therefore, if there is any likelihood of him moulting early you would do best to separate him, and leave the hen to bring up the brood by herself. Otherwise, give the ordinary egg food for the first week or so after the young are hatched, assuming the cock does not commence to drop feathers, and then begin to add a very little colour daily, gradually increasing the strength until it is up to not less than half full strength, and continue with this until the cock begins to moult, when, whether the young are reared or not, you will have to begin with full strength colour food at once if you are to colour-feed him properly, and for this purpose it is, of course, necessary to cage him by himself away from the young.

OUTDOOR AVIARY (F. J. W.).—As you have only twelve square feet of floor space, the aviary is in reality only a good large cage. The height is of comparatively little moment, and you might almost as well have made a division midway between top and bottom, and thus made two cages with exactly the same amount of floor space, which would each have accommodated the same number of birds as this aviary as it now stands. If the aviary is built in a fairly sheltered place, there is no necessity for covered sleeping portion, as the structure is not really big enough to devote space for this purpose, but the provision of a waterproof blind to draw down in wet or very bad weather will be a sensible idea, and this should be quite sufficient protection for the inmates if the structure is not very much exposed in position. One cock and three hens is as much stock as it will accommodate if you are to stand any chance at all of breeding, so you had better forego the idea of having a selection of British birds as well as Canaries. Or you might have a cock Goldfinch and a cock Linnet with the three hen Canaries, if you preferred to try for Mules, but on the whole you would do best to have one cock Canary and this number of hens.

CAUSE OF INFERTILITY (A.C.).—It is by no means uncommon for eggs to prove infertile after the birds repeatedly going through all the forms of successful mating, but it would be impossible to give a definite cause of this without a very full account of your treatment and general management, and full particulars of the condition of the birds. Indeed, even with all this evidence it would not be possible to be dogmatic in all cases about the cause, as the causes of infertility are by no means fully understood. As the cock has failed with both hens, it is most likely that he is the faulty party, and is probably not in breeding condition. You do not even say whether he was in song, or in apparently good health, nor give any particulars as to how you have been treating them, so that it is impossible to advise you on any particular point, and as it is now too late to go on breeding further this year, your best course will be to separate the birds and give them as much space as you can for exercise through the coming winter, and thereby aim at getting them in a good hard, robust condition for the next season. You should get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," and start treating your birds implicitly as therein advised.

SWELLINGS ON BIRD (Miss W. Harris).—Quite possibly an injection of iodine would be the most beneficial thing, but this, unfortunately, is a form of treatment that I cannot advise you to attempt yourself. Perhaps you could get your medical man to make an injection and see result. Should this fail to give the necessary relief, then operative measures are the only remaining chance of curing the bird, and this again I do not advise you to attempt yourself. Your best course would be to place the bird in the hands of a qualified veterinary surgeon for this treatment.

YOUNG AND PROFIT (Crest).—(1) If the cock was apparently quite well when you mated him, there is no reason why you should not feel quite justified in selling the young birds. If the cock's bronchial trouble was of a chronic nature, or frequently recurring, then you might have some qualms about it, but even in that case it is not certain that the young would develop the same trouble if they were well and properly cared for. The predisposition, and the possibility of the birds becoming affected is, of course, there, but this does not amount to a certainty that the trouble would be developed if the birds were not unduly exposed to exciting causes. (2) I am afraid you take the wrong view of Canary breeding from a profitable standpoint. The fact that you have been unfortunate in your breeding experiments so far does not by any means alter the fact that others may, and do, make a very profitable hobby of it. But, as in every other concern, there are attendant risks which have to be taken, and which may either reduce profit, or obliterate it altogether in some cases, and for some time. And then, profit in this connection is very largely a question of skilled management, and a wise selection of stock. In your own case, for instance, it seems clear to me that your failure to make it a profitable concern is chiefly, perhaps wholly, due to your stock birds not being in that prime health and breeding condition essential to obtaining the best results. It is certainly best to have a separate room for breeding, although many make the hobby a success with only a living room for their birds to breed in, and a separate room without the necessary care and skill in management of the birds will not necessarily ensure a greater amount of success. In short, the whole thing turns itself into a question of management and the possession of strong, healthy, and robust birds, and to ensure the first of these essentials you cannot do better than follow the advice in the pages of the book you have. As regards the latter points this is a question of judicious selection in the first instance, and proper management afterwards. Three pairs of birds is a fair number for a beginner to start with until some experience has been obtained. I do not remember whether your birds are aged or not, but if they are past their second season you would increase your chances of better success next season by clearing them out and

starting afresh with two or three pairs of first and second season birds.

IRRITATION (E. Lockhart).—The irritation points so strongly to red-mite attacks that although your care of the cage seems to preclude this pest, I would still advise you to examine carefully the cage at the points where the wires pass through the cross-stays, probing any open joints or cracks with a pin on to a sheet of white paper, and see if this reveals any trace of the pest. If so, take the necessary steps to extirpate them. In addition to this, the bird is certainly moulting, which is to some extent the cause of the irritation. Allow it to bathe daily, if it will do so, and twice each week for a time add a few drops of essence of quassia to the water in the bath. In addition to the usual seed diet give a morsel of bread soaked in cold milk, drained, slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur, and then sprinkled with soft sugar every third day for a fortnight, and on the day following this each time add to the drinking water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice. Give a spray of green food in variety daily. Do not dust the bird with anything at all. To do so with white precipitate would be positively dangerous.

BALD ON HEAD (L'oiseau jeune).—The bird's diet is not sufficiently nourishing, and this, coupled with its palpably weak condition may not only be responsible for its bald condition, but also for its failure to make a success of breeding. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this for the next month give a morsel of bread and milk with sulphur, as advised to "E. Lockhart" in this issue every third day, and on each of the following days add also the potash and lemon juice to the water, and on each of the remaining days, to fill in the intervals, give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and chopped sunflower seeds. Give a little green food daily, and allow bird to bathe as freely as it likes. During the first fortnight you may slightly moisten the bare skin with sulphur ointment twice in each week, but do not dab the plumage unnecessarily. Keep bird fairly warm when it begins to moult in order to encourage a quick and complete change of plumage, and this treatment should enable it to moult out into perfect plumage.

UNFERTILITY (R. Jessop).—Thanks for your letter giving further particulars about the treatment of your birds. It is impossible to name a definite cause for such a record of infertility as you have experienced. There may have been a lack of affinity between the birds, or, as it is some-

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutsell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

times put, they did not "hit," but this explains nothing satisfactorily. There is also a chance that the birds were late hatched last season, and were consequently somewhat immature for breeding this season. There is nothing seriously wrong with your feeding that can explain the matter, so I would advise you to keep them in the flight during the coming winter, feed them as you are now doing, with the exception of giving egg food only once or twice a week after the moult is over, and thus get them in a good hard robust condition for the beginning of next breeding season, when there is no reason why they should not do much better, and show an average degree of fertility.

BREATHES HEAVILY AND WHEEZES (E. H. Dundas).—The hen seems to be thoroughly out of condition, and your treatment is not likely to help the condition you describe. If there are a few red mites in the feathers there are doubtless hoards of them in the joints and crevices about the cage, and these you must first of all eradicate, as you will have seen frequently described in these replies. Next you must see that she is free from direct cold draughts, and do not hang high up near the ceiling, nor near or over burning lights in the evenings. Keep in a comfortable place, where the temperature is fairly equable. In addition to the staple diet of plain canary seed, give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape every second day, and a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, linseed, and chopped sunflower seeds. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice for two days and after this give twenty drops of whiskey, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken in the water two days in every three for a fortnight. The bare places will probably become covered during the course of the moult, which will very soon take place now.

SWEATING HEN (W. Toovey).—The condition you describe of the hen was due to excessive diarrhoea in the young with watery evacuations. You might possibly have saved the situation by adding a teaspoonful of lime water to the drinking water each day for a time, and adding a third part of the usual quantity of bread or biscuit used in making the egg food in stale bread dried in the oven until it was brown and hard, and then crushed or ground in a seed mill, and used in the making of the egg food each day. A small teaspoonful of arrowroot might also have been added to a tablespoonful of the egg food. This might have kept the hen feeding, and in that case would certainly have set matters right with the young,

when all should have gone on in the usual course. See that the cage is kept scrupulously clean, that all your foods are quite sweet and fresh, and add the lime water to the drinking water as mentioned above when the next brood is hatched, and continue it for a few days, and you should be able to avert the same thing happening again.

SMALL CLUTCH AND AVIARY (B. Harris).—(1) As the cock was so mischievous about the nest, you certainly did quite right to remove him and leave the hen to complete the clutch, if she would have done so, and hatch and rear the young by herself, and the fact of taking him away had nothing whatever to do with the hen not laying any more eggs after the first. She would have laid no more in that clutch if he had been left with her. (2) As you are going to keep the aviary indoors, you would have done better to leave out the partition between the sleeping quarters and the wire-fronted part, so that the birds could have had the full space for exercise. As it stands, the sleeping quarters will not only be very dismal from lack of light, but unless it is well provided with ventilation, which I fail to see, it will also be close and stuffy. I would advise you to cut out at least 2ft. Gins. from the bottom of this partition, leaving only the angular portion at the roof, which will provide all the privacy and shelter necessary, and make the whole aviary much more healthy and serviceable. You could keep from 20 to 24 Canaries, or birds of a similar size, in it without breeding; or, for breeding, one cock and three hens would be sufficient to start any season with, or if you removed the young as the season progressed, two cocks and five or six hens might be kept. Any breed of Canary should succeed in it. (3) It is simply a matter of taste whether you paint the inside white instead of distemper it with colour. Paint or enamel wares best, and some light tint can be made to look so much more snug and comfortable than a cold, glaring white. Personally, I should prefer a light tint of blue or green, and only a white if the aviary should have to be placed in a poorly lighted place. In the latter case white would serve the useful purpose of helping to brighten up the interior.

BEGAN TO SIT (E. M. T.).—If the hen was mated with a cock some time before the eggs were laid there is no reason why these eggs should not prove fertile, and you would do well in any case to leave them to undergo the full period of incubation, even if you add a few more eggs from the mixed foreign aviary to them. Only the actual test can prove whether it is any use doing the latter or not. As the aviary is a mixed one, it seems to me very doubtful whether the eggs would be likely to be fertile or not; the risk would certainly be quite as great as in the case of the hen's own eggs. The foreign eggs would also need to be of one of the Finch tribe, or a closely allied species, to be reared by the Canary. A clutch of common Canary eggs, or one of our native Finches, would be a safer experiment. I cannot even guess whether the hen is a Roller from the sound you say she makes. She is evidently out of condition. See that she is free from draughts, and treat her for a few days as you may see in many of these replies for a bird suffering from cold.

COLOUR FEEDING BUFFS (Greenhorn).—I am not clear whether you mean half quantity or half the strength of colour food that you are doubtful about giving to your buff Yorkshires. But in either case it would be incorrect. You should give them just the same colour food, both as regards strength and quantity as you give to the Yellows. You need not fear that by giving them the same colour food you will turn buffs into yellows. The only thing that will happen, and what you must aim at, is that the ground, or under, colour of the plumage will be intensified, but the "mealy" white tips of the web of the plumage will remain unaffected by the colour food, and will in consequence of the greater intensity of the ground colour, be shown up more prominently. For full strength of colour food add two teaspoonfuls of colour to one egg and twice the bulk of bread crumbs or crushed biscuit, and give the birds a teaspoonful of the coloured egg food each per day, to buffs as well as yellows.

ABOUT TWO HENS (J. B. N.).—No. 1 hen has what can only be described as an abnormal cycle of reproduction, the development of the ovaries having stopped short at the egg-producing stage, and as it is so late in the season, it is not at all likely that she will do any breeding this season. If she is sitting steadily you might place a clutch of some other hen's eggs under her, perhaps a deserted clutch, and she will probably hatch out and rear the young the same as though the eggs had been her own. This is also sometimes followed by the hen going to nest on her own account and producing a normal cycle. In the case of hen No. 2 she has doubtless already produced all the eggs she will do this season, and as she has already had two broods you would do well to cease any further attempts to breed again with her this season. If she has not laid any eggs by the time this reply appears your best course is to take away the nest and all nesting material, and turn her into a flight where she can get a good exercise before the moult commences. Add a pinch of Epsom salts to the drinking water for two days after taking away the nest. By stopping her breeding now she will moult out better, and be in a much better condition for breeding again next season.

A SWOLLEN CLAW (A Beginner).—Catch the bird and examine the toe closely to see if there is a strand of nesting material twisted around it, or if the swelling is in reality an accumulation of dirt and sand which has adhered to the toe and become dry and hardened. In either case remove this obvious cause, and if it is an accumulation of dirt soften it by bathing before attempting to remove it. Whether or not there is any obstruction as suggested, bathe the foot for a few minutes in a warm solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of acid in a saucerful of warm water. Gently cleanse the feet of all dirt in this as the bathing proceeds, and then dry and anoint the foot with Lanocillin ointment once daily for a few days.

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BLACKBIRDS WITH FITS (W. G. Tucker). Fits are mostly caused through improper feeding, although birds will occasionally have them from nervousness. Gross feeding birds that do not get sufficient exercise are also troubled with them. Although you say in your letter that you are feeding your bird on the best of food, you do not say what it is. If it is the usual insectile food, it should be supplemented with plenty of fruit at this time of the year, and I would also advise you not to be too liberal with mealworms and snails. Vary his insect diet as much as possible. Give him a dose of sulphate of soda in his drinking water, repeating in a couple of days. As much as will cover a sixpence in an ounce of water is the correct quantity. If this and the change of diet does not improve matters, although it should do, you will have to procure from the chemist a 10 per cent. solution of bromide potassium; then, when he has an attack, give about 8 drops direct into the beak, and mix a small teaspoonful in his drinking water. Let him fly in your very largest cage and give the bath on all suitable days.

MOULTING SKYLARK ("Foodless"). There is no reason why you should alter your method of feeding your Skylark during the moult. All you need do is to improve it a little in quality. Unfortunately you do not give me your bill of fare for him, but, anyway, you cannot do wrong by adding a little extra hard-boiled egg and also increasing his supply of insects. The moult is a most trying time for all birds, and a little extra nourishment is quite the correct thing. When you are cleaning his cage out on fine bright days, if you spray him lightly with tepid water you will find it will greatly assist him. Most birds go into moult during this month, and the duration of it depends on the health of the bird and the climatic conditions. Each feather is about six weeks to grow to the full, but, of course, there are many developing at the same time.

MULES AND HYBRIDS (Inquisitive). Speaking correctly, all crosses between different species of birds are Hybrids, but fanciers have divided them in the following manner: Where one of the parents

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Tit," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

is a Canary they are mostly called Mules, and where both parents are British birds they are called Hybrids.

JAY FOR EXHIBITION (K. Knightbridge). The show cage for exhibiting a Jay in should be of the box pattern, twenty-four inches long, twenty inches high, and twelve inches wide, the wires should be stout and an inch and a half apart. The cage should be fitted with two stout perches, about an inch and a quarter in diameter. For exhibition purposes a Jay should be large, that is somewhat larger than the average bird, the colour of the back rich, the blue in the wing bright and cleanly marked, the ticking on the crest distinct, and the black patch on the cheek dense and cleanly cut, he should be clean and in perfect feather, frayed or broken wing or tail feathers would put him back considerably. To get him into show condition you would have to feed him pretty liberally upon insects, and about twice a week, he should have a freshly killed mouse or small bird, this assists greatly to put a healthy gloss upon his plumage. Let him get used to the show cage, get him accustomed to seeing strangers, or he may be nervous when exhibited.

CANARY OR HYBRID (Puzzled). It is not at all an unusual occurrence for pure Canaries and Hybrids to be bred in the same nest. I have a brood at the present time with two Canaries in it and one Redpoll-Canary. The feather you send, is, in my opinion, one taken from a Goldfinch-Canary. It is rather unfortunate that he is the baby of the family, as size is such an important factor for success in exhibiting. I would advise you to keep the same pair together, as it is just possible they may throw something good another time.

THRUSH WITHOUT FEATHERS (A. S. Ide). There may be two causes for your Thrush being bare in places. It may be due to insects or to improper feeding, unfortunately you do not say how you are treating him, or I could possibly say for certain where you are in error. You had better catch the bird and examine him carefully for insects, and if you find any, dust him well with insect powder, repeating the operation in three days. Let him bathe frequently, and put a little quassa solution in the water. His cage and perches should be thoroughly scrubbed, and kept as clean as possible. When you get rid of the insects the feathers may not grow again directly, but as the bird will be soon going into moult, they will be replaced then. You should send for our Nutshell booklet on the Thrush, it would assist you in your management.

BULLFINCH-CANARY (E. M. T.). If your Canary hen shows any signs of moulting it would be useless expecting her to go to nest. If they are well and healthy another year you could try again; although it is rather unfortunate that she is not larger. I have seen a full-sized Hybrid bred from a very small Bullfinch hen, so if you are successful you may get one decent bird; much depends upon the way in which they are reared. The egg you sent me is that of the Greenfinch, which are usually very fertile, but if it was really the only one laid, I am not surprised that it did not hatch.

LINNET-GREENFINCH (A. Noel Booker). This cross is about the easiest of all the British crosses to produce, the birds to all appearance being very nearly related. For exhibition purposes they are not of much use unless you are possessed of an extraordinary specimen. They have to be shown in the class for Hybrids between two British birds, consequently they have to compete with Greenfinch-Bullfinch, Linnet-Bullfinch, Goldfinch-Bullfinch,

and several other rare birds that are difficult to produce. If you are a member of a society I would advise you to retain the larger of the two birds, as he would be useful to secure you a few points against your fellow members. All Hybrids grow very much the first year or two.

COLOUR-FEEDING HYBRIDS (Andrew Wilson). To colour-feed your Hybrid you should procure a lb. of tasteless pepper from some well-known vendor and follow out the instructions printed on the tin. You should commence to give it at once, before the bird gets heavily into the moult. Give it rather weak at first, or he may take a dislike to it, mix it well with the soft food and let it stand an hour or so before using. (2) You could use the same food for your Brambling if you think he requires it.

SKYLARK MOULTING (D. Cottano). No doubt moving the bird from one residence to another was the cause of him dropping into moult. The best thing you can do is to keep him in an even temperature and feed him with good nourishing food. Procure some good insectile mixture and give him three days a week, and offer a good supply of insects. I would also advise you to put a small teaspoonful of chemical food in his drinking water, boil the water first or it will not mix. If when you clean out his cage you were to spray him lightly with water it would tighten up his plumage, but I rather expect he will go through with his proper moult now as this is the season of the year for it.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING PEKIN ROBIN (V. F. B.). The ailing bird must be brought indoors at once if you have not already done so. Bathe its eyes with a dilute rose-water and zinc solution. Do not let the bird swallow any. On receipt of this reply put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water for one day, repeating the dose after an interval of three days. After the soft food is moistened spot over it 10 to 20 drops of cod liver oil or the C. L. O. Emulsion daily till the bird is quite fit again. Get the following mixture: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and glycerine in equal parts; well mix. Put half-a-teaspoonful of this mixture into the drinking water except when giving the magnesia, till the trouble ceases. Keep the patient in a warm place, but where it will get plenty of sun and air, without draught, on all suitable days. Weather has been quite treacherous of late for new acquisitions. Your soft food is hardly good enough. Get some good ants' eggs and dried flies, and use one part each ants' eggs, dried flies, crushed biscuit, and crumbled sponge cake, first mixing them together and then lightly moistening with boiling water. Also supply fruit and live insects and about a teaspoonful of seed twice a week. A little milkspop daily will be very beneficial at this juncture. Make it pretty sloppy and supply warm. Report progress about ten days hence.

AMAZON PARROT (J. E. H.). So long as the bird is kept out of draught and gets light and air, the temperature of any ordinary room will suffice. Bathe the nostrils once or twice daily with dilute glyco-thymoline (1 in 10), sufficiently often to keep the nostrils clear till the trouble ceases. Twice a week add to the boiled maize (pour over) one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia and put a little Chemical Food in the drinking-water every other day. Supply ripe fruit and nuts regularly, also dry crusts and pieces of biscuit, or you can moisten the two latter in sweetened Chemical Food and water, but not in either tea, coffee or milk. Grit (not sand), cuttlebone, and wood (piece of half-rotten branch) should be continually in the cage. The treatment of a Grey Parrot is similar to that of an Amazon, but unless it be a very young one it does not need boiled maize. The following will cover its needs: Seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, plain biscuit, stale crusts, and continuous supplies of grit, cuttlebone and wood, also water. You had better get our Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2jd. post free, from our Manager. It will give you fullest details.

GREY PARROT WEAK (E.C.). That it is no worse is a hopeful sign. Continue the treatment in every respect as before, and in addition give half-a-teaspoonful of Byno-phosphate in the drinking water, except on such days as you give the magnesia. It would be well also to foment the legs in hot water daily (not hot enough for disinfector); dry with a soft cloth and then paint with proof whisky. While the weather continues really warm and cold winds are not prevalent, stand the cage out-of-doors, in some sheltered position between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., but the cage must not be stood where a current of wind will blow through it, or where the full rays of the sun pour down on to the unprotected top of cage. I shall be better able to tell whether cure is possible or not if you will report progress full in five or six weeks' time.

COCKATELS NOT HATCHING (A. Johnson). I have never attempted hand-rearing, or rather, mouth-rearing for that is what it amounts to, any of the Psittaci, and consequently do not consider myself the best individual to advise you. The manner in which the old birds feed them is exactly similar to that of pigeons. The old birds take the beak of their offspring in their own and disgorge the partly digested food from their crops into the beak of the squab, both keeping up a sort of pumping motion during the operation. The first few days will be the difficult time, and I rather doubt anything of the type of fillup feeder being of much use, but there is no reason why you should not try. The best way will be to imitate the beak of the parents with your thumb and first finger, and the mouth of a fillup feeder between them, and work the bulb or plunger of the feeder with the other hand. Soaked bread and biscuit, boiled maize, and soaked silted seeds will be about the best. For the first few days, a sort of thin (weak) milk sop should meet the case, as the birds get older they will take the prepared food simply from between your thumb and finger and from your lips. The latter is the method by which young are mostly artificially reared (study your book). Personally, I should be inclined to only make the three days before they are due to hatch put under their parent—that is, providing they are incubating, and the eggs thus coming off earlier should be hatched out and the young reared. Provide the food named above for them in the usual place from which they take their food.

WHAT PARROT IS IT? (C. Emmett). I do not care to commit myself to an opinion at present, as you omit one or two essential points. You state the colour of the top of the head, but make no mention of the colour of the sides of head and throat, neither do you give the colour of the beak. Please supply these details, and I will try and give you an answer in our next issue. Is the mauve on chest of a light or dark hue?

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Alfreton C.B.S.—Aug. 8, 7. Meeting of next week postponed to Aug. 8. Business important. G. Bear dall.

Annfield Plain F.F. and C.B.S. July 18, Queen's Head, 7. Very important. Al. Archer.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—July 21, St. Thomas' Schoolroom, entrance Chapel St., 8. In part business. J. Spencer.

B. diard and Beds. United C.B.S.—July 23, Rolse St. Schoolroom, 6.20. Second N.F. show and general meeting. Suggestions for annual show, Oct. 15. A. Simons.

Birmingham South O.S.—July 18, Marlboro' Hotel, 3.20. Second young bird show; birds staged 3.30. Judge, G. Baker. Open 7; free. J. Shoppard.

Bradford (City) O.S.—July 18, Flying Dutchman, 3. 2nd members' show; Judge, Mr. P. Mason. Special will be given for most points, all birds to count.—W. Helliwell.

Chopwell C.B.S.—July 18, Club Hall, 7.—W. Tomlinson.

Clapham C.B.A.—July 22, Clock House, Clapham Park Road. Young bird show; open at 8. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—T. J. Hose.

Clay Cross C.B.S.—July 25, Victoria Hotel, 2.30. F.F. show. Mr. J. Admitt, judge.—J. Griffiths.

Derby C.B.S.—July 18, Normanton Hotel, 7.45. Special business.—F. W. Jordan, Hon. Sec.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Dubmire Workmen's Club, 7. Show and other important business. Entries taken.—G. T. Lynn.

Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—July 21, at Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane. Lecture, "Colour Feeding," by L. J. Richardson.—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec.

Epseshill C.B.S.—July 18, Fountain Inn, 2.30. Second members' show, July 18. Judge, Mr. J. A. Taylor, Frizinghall. Entries till 2.30 day of show.—S. Wilcock.

Grangemouth C.B.S.—July 18, Rechabite Hall, 3. F.F. show.—J. Woodhouse.

Hatfield C.S.—July 18, Plummet Line Hotel, 2.30. N.F. show; judge, Mr. H. Mallinson, or Huddersfield. Entries taken before staging.—H. Clegg.

Idle C.B.S.—July 25, White Bear Inn, 2.30. Members' F.F. show. Judge, Mr. J. A. Taylor. Entries at meeting night previous to show.—C. E. Hyton.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—July 18, Newmarket Hotel, Studehill, Manchester, 6.30. Discussion re Messrs. Bradley and Stansfield's offers of trophies, etc.—J. Rukin.

Leigh C.B.S.—July 22, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Paying out prize money for N.F. show.—R. Charleson.

FOR EXHIBITION (Dodd).—Of course, it all depends on the classification, but a Red-headed Gouldian Finch, Melba Finch, Violet-eared Waxbill, Black-faced Waxbill, Parrot Finch, or some rare Whydah—e.g., Jacksons', or Crimson-ringed, or Queen. The same applies to the Weavers, such as Crimson-coloured, Yellow-backed, Abyssinian Bronze, Grenadier, Speke's, or any other of the uncommon species. Hooded and Columbian Siskins, Dufresne's Finch, and the rare Firefinches; but, of course, it's the condition and steadiness which will tell mainly; rarity will never compensate for this, and see that your purchase is perfect in every part of its body—i.e., feet, toes, beak, etc., its plumage sleek and silken; a frayed tail or flight and a broken feather or short claw will spoil the chance of any bird, however rare.

TO STOP GETTING A COLD (T. Berry).—Prevention is certainly better than a cure, but the only way to stave off a cold is to see that the bird is not kept where it will be subject to draught or chilly atmosphere, and at the same time get light and air. To keep a Parrot healthy, it is necessary to supply wholesome and the right kind of food; provide against constipation by an occasional laxative—Dinneford's Magnesia is as good

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Academics," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

as any. Also give a tonic at moult time, or whenever it appears to need it. Byno-phosphate in the drinking water is as good as any.

PEKIN ROBIN AILING (E.C.).—Supply soft ripe fruit in addition to what you are giving. It would be better to catch up this bird for a few weeks, then you can regulate the bath. Put half a teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into its soft food till the bowels have been fairly well purged, and then give 10 to 15 drops of cod-liver oil, also in the soft food for two or three weeks. Supply soft ripe fruit liberally, give it 6 to 8 mealworms per diem, also any spiders, carwigs, smooth caterpillars you can capture. As soon as it is properly toned up again, return it to the aviary, so that it may be properly settled there again before chill weather is upon us. When you return it to the aviary, you can put the cod-liver oil still in the soft food for a week or two; this will do no hurt to the other birds.

YOUNG BIRDS DISAPPEARING (F.B.M.).—Though small Finchlike birds are sufficiently active as a rule to keep out of the way of Waders, especially if there are one or two thick evergreen or deciduous trees and bushes about, or other cover they can retire to when pressed, young birds out of the nest are very helpless for the first two or three days, keeping rather low down, often amid the grass, and at the feet of the various trees and bushes, and fall an easy prey to any bird to whom they appeal as a tit-bit. If all have disappeared, it is evident they have been eaten, and if rats can't get in, then the Waders are certainly the culprits. If the young birds had been merely neglected by their parents and died, some of the bodies at any rate would have been seen about.

PARRAKEETS (J.E.H.).—You could add to your present series a pair each of Black-checked, Madagascar and Blue-winged Lovebirds, and also a pair of the larger Parrakeets. You can choose the latter from Rosella, Moustache, Ringnecks, Half-moon, or Red-rumps. I should not put in another pair of Cockatiels. The Moustache mostly appears in books as the Banded, and the Half-moon as the Golden-crowned; the latter are the smallest,

Leyton C.B.A.—July 19, Grange Park Hall, Leyton, 4.30. Young stock show. Judge, Mr. John Robson.—Forse and Bon.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S. July 20, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open show business.—Asst. Sec. pro. tem.

Manchester, Salford Amalg. C.B.S. July 29, Mr. Robinson's, Carruthers St., Ancoats, Manchester, 8.20.—A. Colley.

Middleton C.B.S.—July 20, Old Roan's Head, 8. Special meeting; all members bring in an old ticket and money without fail. Dates for lectures; new members invited. J. Hulton.

National Green-Marked Y.C.C. July 19, Marke. Tavern, Bradford, 6. Competitions, prizes, and other important business. J. Chambers.

Northern Norwich P.H.C.—July 22, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, 7.30. Selection of cups and other very important business. F. W. Laidlow.

North Manchester C.B.S.—July 28, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8.20. General business; new members and friends invited.—A. Colley.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—July 24, Albanbra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Lectures on "Mating and Pairing," by J. K. Schofield. 2nd annual F.F. show, Sat., July 18.—A. W. Newton.

Queensbury C.B.S.—July 19, ramble to Bingley, via Wilsden. Leader, Mr. J. H. Fowler; train leaves Queensbury Station, 12.35. Fanciers and friends cordially invited.—W. Jagger.

Rochdale Affiliated C.B.S.—July 21, Little Brigh Colfe House, 8. Lecture by Mr. Harrison, Altrincham, "Seeds: Their Use and Abuses." A good attendance is requested to hear this excellent lecture.—W. Adams.

St. James's the Less F.A. (Bethnal Green).—July 18, Men's Club, St. James' Road, N.E., 8.30. Evening show; judge, Mr. F. W. Aslam.—T. G. Bransford.

Shipley O.S.—July 18, Victoria Hotel. Young bird show; entries close Friday night; judge, L. Dykes, Bradford.—E. Grange.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—July 20, Mr. Coupe's, Croft Street, 8. Show business and judge for back-end show.—J. T. Cheetham.

Sunderland C.B.A.—July 18, Headquarters, 7.30. Usual business.—J. Peacock.

Tong C.B.S.—July 18, Hand and Shuttle Inn. Members' show; birds staged by 3. Judge, Mr. J. Bailey, Bradford.—W. Walker.

Windhill C.B.S.—July 18, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' F.F. show; judge, Mr. G. Mountain (Baldon); silver cup at this show for best novice bird. Entries Friday night, 8 to 11.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wingate F.S.—July 18, The Institute, 7. Election of officers; members' subs. due. Fanciers invited.—J. Burdett.

Windsor C.B.A.—July 22, Headquarters, 6.30. 2nd young bird show; schedules as last, with the addition of novice classes.—H. W. Simms.

both are a little less than the Rosella, but are larger than the Red-rumps, which are not much larger than Cockatiels.

ARE LOVEBIRDS PARRAKEETS (W. V. W. Ross).—Lovebirds belong to the Parrot tribe, and are usually spoken of as Psittaci, under which are grouped Lovebirds, Parrakeets, Parrots, Cockatoos, Macaws, Lories, Lorikeets, Hanging Parrots, Budgerigars, Conures, Caiques, and Cockatiels. If the Green Lovebirds you refer to are offered cheaply they are Madagascar Lovebirds; in this species the hen is all green, but the cock has a grey head. The Lovebirds are an easily kept group of birds, but, like all others, you have to take the risk till they become steady and acclimatised. Canary, white millet, millet sprays, a little apple and greenfood for such as will take it, also grit, cuttlebone, and water about fills their simple bill of fare.

CAPE CANARIES (L. Leech).—These have not shown themselves very free breeders in England, but then, they have not come over in any great numbers, at least are very infrequently on the market, but other series nest readily enough, and there is no reason why the Cape Canary (Grey-necked Serin) should not also do so, especially if given quarters in a natural garden aviary. It has been crossed with the domestic Canary, and the hybrids are sweet songsters and very pleasing.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

W. Savage.—Septic fever. I have not the slightest doubt but that the birds were infected with this disease at time of purchase, for the lesions in this case, from my experience, could not have occurred under a month. You must expect to lose all your remaining birds; in fact, if you have only a few it would be better to destroy them. Disinfect premises, and give up birds for this season. Of course, the birds may have been affected without the vendor's knowledge. It is certainly very bad luck.

M. E. C.—Prolapse of the mucous membrane of the cloaca brought about by straining, coupled with debility. It was in an inflamed condition, in which the oviduct participated.

C. M. A. Bowring.—Congestion of the lungs due to heat. Under similar circumstances removal to a cool shady place and the administration of a saline aperient in the drinking water. Of course, if symptoms are urgent a little brandy, but the inhalation treatment seems to me too drastic.

C. R. Green.—Death from heat apoplexy, as above. Both lungs were highly congested. In all other respects the bird was quite healthy.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

H. Howick.—Many thanks; will utilise at the first opportunity.

T. Townend.—When you supply your correct name and address with your queries our Canary specialist will be happy to try and help you.

C. H. Neal.—If there is a rule giving the committee discretionary power to forfeit deposits, and they have exercised this power, then you have no claim to the return of your cash. With regard to the other question, we are not sufficiently well versed in the facts of the case and in the law of slander to venture upon an opinion. Consult a solicitor.

Instructive Books for Bird Lovers.

The authors, all well known experts in their various subjects, have in each case endeavoured to give in an easily understandable manner, the methods to be employed in reaching success in that particular branch of the cage-bird hobby dealt with. This list comprises a set of books of unique value to bird-keepers. There is all the experience of years of careful study at the disposal of our readers. The books are based on the hard earned knowledge of men who are recognised as the first authorities, and they are able to tell in a conclusive manner all the interesting "ins and outs" in their respective subjects.

AVIARIES, BIRD-ROOMS, AND CAGES. 2/3 (cloth gilt).—By H. Norman. Contains ten lovely full page photographic plates. A practical guide which deals thoroughly with the proper building, fitting, and management of Aviaries and Bird-rooms, and the making of Cages.

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APPLIANCES

GIVING away: new sectional outdoor aviary; stamp reply: 3/6; Knight, York-st., Wakefield. (1704)
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TWELVE single breeders for sale cheap: Land, 3, Linwood-grove, Swallow-st., Stockport-rd., Long sight, Manchester. (1713)

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COKERNUT hush nests, double wired, 2/-, 4/-, 6/-; giants, 12/- dozen; box and log nests, 1/3, 1/6, 2/- each; Pearson, Greenwich. (1664)

PARROT cage, new, brass, 16-inch, S.F., latest improvements, Iguanum vitae perch and swing; photo: Jones, 17, Cranbourne-st., Brighton. (1714)

CAGES, cages, Norwich, Yorkshire, and Border Fancy show cages, 1 3 each, six 6/6, 12/- per doz.; McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas.

SIX joiner-made double breeders, loose fronts, zinc sand trays, slides, fittings, complete, clean, 2.6 each to clear: A. Whitmill, Grimsbury, Banbury. (1716)

GIVING up Fancy; large fancy aviary with stand, new, and 7 birds, suitable bar or parlour, 30/-, bargain; cost treble: Matthes, Bracton-rd., Rotherhithe. (1717)

BREEDING, flight, show and box cages, Thrush cages, seed boxes, baths, seed mills, 1/ each; illustrated list: Kippin, B133, Wilton-st., Lozells, Birmingham. (1714)

BIRD-CATCHERS' nets, 9ft. long, 3/-, 12ft. 4/-; 15ft. 5/-; all 6ft. deep; poles, irons, pegs and pull line, dozen braces and flirt peg sent with every set; Ross, Net Maker, Forres, N.B. (1717)

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Boards, planed both sides and edges, 8in. 3/8, 9in. 4/-, 10in. 4/8 per 50ft.; 3in. oval perching, 1/3 50ft., 1/4 100ft.; combination nursery cage and bath, 1/4 each; stamp for list: Stanton, 33, Boothfield, Winton, Patricroft. (1680)

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The finest tasteless pepper on the market. Tested and proved. Hot Natal and another great colour-producing ingredient added. No other pepper can give the wonderful colour. Sold in tins, 3/6 and 4/9, 5 lbs. 8/6; 7 lbs. and over 1/6 lb.: Judge Silk, Whitestable.

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WHITE-LEGGED Welsh cock Goldie, grand blaze, twice cage moulted, full song, price 7/-: Hussey, Baker, Kingston, Herefordshire. (1718)

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The Shows.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

Second P.F. show, July 11, Railway Hotel, Laisterdyke, 37 being staged. Mr. W. A. Cowling judged and gave every satisfaction. CL OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, he, Sykes; 2, Gledhill; 3, Hodgson; 4, Orme; vhc, Duckworth; c, Swaine. BUFF (11): 1, he, Chippendale; 2, 3, Sykes; 4, Orme; vhc, Gledhill, Duckworth. GR. (12): 1, Chippendale; 2, c, Gledhill; 3, Hodgson; 4, Swaine; vhc, Sykes; he, Duckworth. NOV., CL OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Sykes; 4, Reeds and Longley; he, Pownall; c, Lister. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Sykes; 2, vhc, he, Reeds and Longley; 4, c, Lister. GR. CINN. (9): 1, 4, Pownall; 2, 3, he, Reeds and Longley; vhc, Foster; c, Lister.—W. H. Sykes, Sec.

MIDDLETON C.B.S.

Fourteenth Annual Y.E. Show, July 11, Canaries were not up to expectations owing to poor breeding results, but a grand display of British was on view, including a nice Nightingale. A talkative Parrot also attracted plenty of attention. Mr. Schofield, Fallsword, judged, and gave satisfaction. During the day he gave members useful information and explained the points and defects of the exhibits.

CL YELL YORKS.: 1, 2, Hulton. BUFF: 1, 3, Burke; 2, Wagstaffe. TKD., ETC.: 1, 2, Wagstaffe, BUFF: 1, Wagstaffe. NOV.: 1, Mrs. Cockerill; 2, 3, 4, Walker. CL YELL NOR.: 1, Evans; 2, Furniss. BUFF: 1, Evans; 2, Furniss; 3, Cope. VAR. YELL.: 1, Evans; 2, Cope. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Cope; vhc, Evans. A.O.V.: 1, Furniss. HENS: 1, Hulton; 2, 3, Craighill; 4, Mrs. Cockerill. GOLDF.: 1, Wood; 2, Oldham; 3, Hulton. GREENF.: 1, Davies; 2, Hulton; 9, Evans. LINNET, ETC. (16): 1, Burke; 2, Hulton; 3, Wood.—Jas. Hulton, Sec.

HASTINGS & ST. LEONARDS C.B.S. F.F. Show, July 15th, Royal Oak Hotel, the last. Mr. J. Stevens judged. There was a very fair attendance. Among those present were Mrs. Crofts, Mrs. A. E. Godden, Miss Kirk-Bullock (Hon. Sec. and Treas.), and Messrs. W. Ellis, T. West, Morris, and H. Morris, W. Turner, H. Pennells, G. Cramp, A. E. Godden, R. Cragg, and T. Veness.

NOR. CL.: 1, French; 2, vhc, Turner; 3, Cramp; he, Mrs. Crofts; c, Pennells. TKD.: 1, 3, Cragg; 2, Pennells. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, Pennells; 2, French; 3, Cragg; vhc, he, Turner. YORKS. CL.: 1, vhc, Morris and Son; 2, 3, Veness. TKD.: 1, 2, Veness; 3, Morris and Son. MKD. OR VAR.: 2, Morris and Son; 3, French. FOR., Young Birds: 1, 2, Mrs. Barrow. Many thanks to those members who attended or sent birds from a distance. Mrs. Barrow and Mr. West are new members, and it was the first time they had shown. Mr. French is also a new member, and his first exhibition here. Members are reminded Sept. 2nd is the date fixed for the annual outing. Please keep that date free. Final point prizes and young birds (Yorks. and Nor.) trophies' competition, Oct. 7. I hope to see a very large exhibition. Business meeting Aug. 19. Notices will be sent out.—Irene Kirk-Bullock, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

PENGE C.B.S.

Very successful young bird show, held July 8, at Alexandra Hotel, Penge, where a large room had been lent to the society by the popular landlord, Mr. Hutton. The entry was a good one, Yorks. in particular making a fine display. Mr. Fairman's ticked yellow won comfortably in champions; he is a stylish bird with good length of wing and side. Clears in novices draw an entry of seventeen. Mr. Peingdestre staging the cream of the bunch. Norwich were particularly noticeable for type and quality of feather, Mr. Whiffin winning in both classes with tick-set chubby birds, the clear being very promising. A few Borders, Hybrids, and Brit. made up a good collection. The show was well attended by visitors. Mr. Legg managed the show in a very able manner, receiving valuable assistance from Mr. and Mrs. Hutton, whose tasteful arranging of the staging was very effective. Mr. H. Norman judged.

YORKS. CL. CHAMP.: 1, he, Fairman; 3, vhc, Hulton; 2, 4, c, Foxen. MKD.: 1, Foxen; 2, Fairman; 3, Hulton. NOR. CL.: 1, 3, vhc, Whiffin; 2, 4, Legg; he, Halhead. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 2, Whiffin; 3, 4, vhc, Halhead. NOV. YORKS. CL.: 1, 2, 3, 4, he, Peingdestre; c, vhc, Lass. MKD.: 1, Peingdestre; 2, Powell; 3, vhc, Fryett; 4, Last. BORD. CL.: 2, Last. GREENS, ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Last. HYBRIDS: 1, 2, 3, Gullie. GOLF.: 1, Legg; 2, Polgee. BULLF.: 1, 2, Humphries. LINNET: 1, Polgee; 2, Legg; 3, Gullies. GREENF.: 1, Soames; 2, Gullies. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Gullies; 3, Soames. REDPOLL: 1, Gullies; 2, Polgee. HAWFINCH, ETC.: 1, Gullies; 2, Soames.

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Seventh Annual Young Stock Show, July 11, Spencer Hall. Entries numbered 150, quality being good throughout. Competition for cups presented by Mr. J. P. Ayers was very keen. Beet Nor. was won by Mr. Bailey. Mr. Kent best Yorks., Mr. Shakespeare won sp. for best bird, cup winners excepted, with a grand yellow capped Lizard, Mr. Knight won sp., most points Brit., while several of the members helped themselves to valuable points for the Points Cup presented by Mr. G. L. Weston for 1914. Mr. F. Easterling judged, and his awards gave satisfaction. A good muster of visitors crowded the hall in the evening, and the show was a decided success.

CHAMPION CL. NOR. (12): 1, Cowie; 2, Dann; 3, vhc, Lovegrove; he, Sparks; c, Bell. VARIEG. (13): 1, Sparks; 2, Byrne; 3, vhc, Cowie; he, c, Lovegrove. YORKS. CL. (5): 1, 2, 3, W. J. Kent; vhc, he, Bush. VARIEG.: 1, W. J. Kent. BORD. (4): 1, 2, Shakespeare; 3, vhc, Dann. MULES: 1, Dann. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Shakespeare, Lizards. AMAT., NOR. CL. (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Wakefield; he, Walmsey. VARIEGATED (6): 1, 2, Wakefield; 3, vhc, he, Hyde; c, Walmsey. NOV., CL. (16): 1, Bailey; 2, c, Large; 3, he, Milson; vhc, Withers. VARIEG. (12): 1, 2, Wills; 3, Mrs. Wood; vhc, Day; he, Milson; c, Bailey. YORKS. CL. (15): 1, 2, c, Withers; 3, vhc, Johnston; he, Byrne. VARIEG. (5): 1, 2, Milson; 3, Stratton; vhc, he, A. Knight. MULES, YOUNG BIRDS (3): 1, Street; 2, 3, Carrington and Petty. OLD BIRD: 1, Day. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Milson. GOLDF. (10): 1, he, Carrington and Petty; 2, Milson; 3, Byrne; he, J. M. Kent; c, Street. BULLF.: 1, Street; 2, Alton M. Jones. GREENF. (3): 1, Mound; 2, Day; 3, A. Knight; vhc, J. M. Kent; he, Alton M. Jones. LINNET vhc, J. M. Kent; he, Alton M. Jones. BUNTING (7): 1, vhc, Carrington and Petty; 2, Street; 3, Shorter; he, A. Knight; c, J. M. Kent. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 3, he, A. Knight; 2, Bailey; vhc, Mound; c, J. M. Kent. FINCH (5): 1, 2, J. M. Kent; 3, Alton M. Jones; vhc, Street; he, A. Knight. HENS: 1, Mound; 2, 3, vhc, A. Knight; he, Alton M. Jones. FOR. FINCH: 1, Shorter; 2, Brawbridge; A.O. FOR.: 1, Brawbridge; 2, Shorter; J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

MIDDLESEX O.S.

Young stock and Finch show, July 9, St. John's Schools, Southall. Mr. J. Hedder judged, and his awards were well received. Messrs. Taylor and Wright won sp. for best Yorks, with a clincher. Mr. H. Burrows, best Brit., with a really nice Chaffinch. YORKS. CL. 1, sp., vhc, Taylor and Wright. 2, White; he, Banyard; c, Crookett. TKD. OR MKD. 1, White; 2, he, Alf 11-1; 3, vhc, c, Taylor and Wright. MULE. 1, Banyard. GOLDF. OR BULF. 1, Burrows; 2, vhc, he, Cambers; 3, e, Banyard. LINNET. ETC. 1, 3, vhc, Burrows; 2, Banyard, he, c, Cambers. GREENE, ETC. 1, sp., Burrows; 2, Cambers. A.O. BRIT. 1, Burrows; 2, Cambers; J. Jeffers, Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW (West of Scotland) O.S.

F.F. Show, July 4, Nelson Temperance Hotel. Numbers were not up to former years, but quality was good. Mr. C. Campbell, owing to a sudden bereavement, was unable to judge, and Mr. G. Smart, Carnoylie, kindly took his place. His awards gave every satisfaction.

CRESTS and C.B. Cock: 1, 2, Nimmo. HENS: 1, 2, Nimmo. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hutchison; 2, Wood; 3, Jardine. BUFF: 1, Hutchison; 2, Jardine; 3, Jackson. VAR. YELL.: 1, Hutchison; 2, Jackson; 3, Irvine. 4, Jardine. BUFF: 1, Hutchison; 2, Jackson; 3, Jardine; 4, Irvine. CINN.: 1, Jackson. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, 2, Martin. BUFF: 1, 2, Martin. BORD.: 1, 2, Whitelaw; 3, 4, 5, Bannerman. -W. Hutchison, Sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

Annual Y.B. show, Star Inn, Church-st., June 27. Entries were not up to expectations, chiefly owing to a poor season, but quality was of the best. Mr. J. Hayhurst, Burnley, judged, and he had a capable steward in Mr. J. Broxup. The Society's challenge cup for best 5 young birds bred by exhibitor was won by Mr. W. Spencer, a novice. Spl. kindly given by Mr. J. Baker, for best bird bred by a novice was won by Mr. B. Waincotts.

NOR. CHAMP. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, Baker. BUFF: 1, Baker. TKD. OR VARIEG. BUFF: 1, Baker. NOV. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, spl., Spencer; 2, Waincotts; 3, Waddington; 4, vhc, Catlow. BUFF: 1, Pattison; 2, Waddington. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL.: 1, spl., 3 Waincotts; 2, Catlow. BUFF: 1, spl., 3 spls., Spencer; 2, West; 4, Pattison. A.O.V.: 1, Catlow. BRIT. HARD-BILL: 1, 2, 3, 4, Holden.-G. Whitaker, Hon. Sec.

BATH.

Show, July 15, 16, in conjunction with the National Rose Society Show, in the Sydney Gardens. Several first-class exhibits turned up. The exhibits were well looked after and were nicely staged. The Mule class was a good one, the much discussed "White Rose" putting in an appearance and topping the class. Messrs. Dutch and Thyer, the energetic and capable Hon. Secs., had everything in smooth working order, and were most courteous and obliging. Mr. J. H. Payne judged.

NOR. BUFF (6): 1, spl., vhc, Davies, grand shape, lovely col. and feather, good front, wings and tail, in nice order; 2, Capt. Collier, cap, neck and wing mkd., rare size and shape, full front, head and neck; 3, Davis, nearly gr., good col., nice size and shape, good back, head and wings. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, spl., Perrins, Linnet, good size, shape and pencilling, nice col. and feather, very steady; 2, cup, Jones, Siskin, nice size and shape, well laced flanks nice cap and feather; 3, vhc, Parlett, Linnet, well pencilled, nice col., good back and body feather; he, Rus-cil; c, Harding. MULE (9): 1, Parlett, Canary-Bullie, White Rose, in magnificent form; 2, Collins, lightly mkd. Greenf.-Can., good size, shape and feather; 3, Gough, lightly mkd. Linnet-Can., grand feather, nice shape; vhc, Muscott; he, Collins; c, Smith. MEMBERS, YORKS. (4): 1, spl., 3, vhc, Russell, 1 cl. yell., straight as a pencil, good feather and col., well braced wings and pipe tail, in good form, 3 slim built buff, nice feather and colour, neat wings and tail; 2, Nash, yell., good length and pos.-good flights and tail, nice col. GOLDF. OR BULF. (11): 1, 2, vhc, F. Russell, Goldies, nice coloured blazes, good feather and nice bars; 3, Nash, Bullf., good breast col., well cut cap and bars; he, Watson; c, Jones. MULES OR HYB. (6): 1, spl., he, Jones, varieg. Goldf.-Can., capital feather, nice flush; 2, vhc, Watson, dark Greenf.-Can., good feather and col.; 3, F. Russell, Can. Bullf.; c, Watson. A.O. BRIT. (7): 1, 3, vhc, he, Nash, Hawf., nice col. good bars and back, 3, nice feathered Great.; 2, F. Russell, Bramble, nicely spangled back, good feather, pale breast col.; c, Taylor. FOR. (7): 1, spl., 3, Taylor, grand Amazon Parrot, good size, lovely col. and feather, 3 Lemon-crested Cockatoo, in good feather; 2, vhc, he, c, Mahoney, clinking pair of Green Budgerigars, beautifully mkd., grand feather.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

Very successful F.F. show, both as regards numbers and quality, in the splendid room at "The Nightingale Hotel," Wood Green, July 4. Mr. P. Brooks, the hon. sec., ably seconded by the excellent president (Mr. Day), and members of the committee, had made most exemplary arrangements. Mrs. Day followed her usual custom of preparing and dispensing tea; the hospitality was much appreciated. Specials numbered 55, headed by a clock to be won 3 times before becoming the property of the exhibitor. Mr. P. Brooks won this with a topping little buff Norwich, closely followed by Mr. Griffin with a bonny Norwich. Special for best rung bird was won by Mr. Brooks. Dr. Huggins won special most entries in novice. Mr. Stephens, best and second best British. Miss Smith, best bird shown by a lady; Mrs. Huggins, best Foreign. Mr. G. Gardner judged.

CHAMP. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Martin, the leader a nice feathered bird, good shape; 2nd good, but scarcely such a nice head; 3, Griffin. BUFF (9): Good class: 1, sp, best in show, and 3 other spls.; 2, 3, Brooks, a fine team, the leader a sweet bird; vhc, c, Griffin; he, Martin. VARIEG.: 2 spls., Griffin, one of these close glossy feathered saddle-marked birds. AMAT. SECTION.—YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Huggins, leader a smart upstanding bird, giving promise of future excellence; vhc, Mrs. Huggins. BUFF: 1, 2 spls., vhc, Huggins, the leader full of style, well

on the leg, and full of work. 3, Mr. Huggins, styli h. VARIEG.: 1, Huggins. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2 spls., 2, Harris, nice head, well across the perch. BUFF: 1, 2, Harris, winner good bodied, just a trifle weak in head, rare qual. BORD. YELL.: 1, Warner, sharply yell. green. BUFF: 1, spl, 2, Warner, both greens, typical, neat heads. NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, he, Everett, smart and styli-h, good feather; 2, 3, Dr. Huggins, not much to choose; vhc, Miss Smith. BUFF: 1, 2 spls., Dr. Huggins, fiery and upstanding, rare feather; 2, Miss Smith, racy; 3, vhc, Billington. VARIEG.: 1, Dr. Huggins, cinnamon, varieg., very smart; 2, Miss Smith, very nicely drawn, good feather. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Dr. Huggins, typical, rare qual. BUFF: 1, 2 spls., Penn, bonny head, good body and feather; 2, vhc, Day, grand qual., nice body, just a trifle weak in head, but a close race; 3, Miss Smith, trifle too long in rudder. VARIEG.: 1, Penn, fair good bird. BORD. BUFF: 1, 2, Palmer, neat, nice quality of feather. GOLDF.: A grand class, very hot; 1, spl, best British, Stephens, lovely face, rich and full tanning, clean cut; 2, Griffin, very lustrous, grand feather, not so rich in tanning; 3, he, Waldoek; vhc, Dr. Huggins; c, Day. LINNET: Fine class: 1, Stephens, nutty, lustrous, grand shape and markings; 2, Dr. Huggins, just lost to leader in col.; 3, he, Waldoek; vhc, Hetherington; c, Cobden. GREENE: 1, Stephens, rattling Finch. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF: 1, 2 spls., 2, 3, Stephens, fine team, leader a charming Brambling, magnificent feather, like satin; 2, equally lustrous Chaffinch; 3, vhc, Pettit; he, Parish. SISKIN: 1, Stephens, nice col., lacks a bib. REDPOLL OR TWITE: 1, 2, Stephens, nobby little Lesser, fine colour and cord; 2nd, beautifully mkd. Mealy; 3, Bates, Mealy, nice markings; vhc, Parish. BULLE: 1, Stephens, rare breast and poll; 2, Pettit, not in the feather of winner, nice breast and poll; 3, Mrs. Day, nice col.; vhc, Day. A.O.V. SEED-EATER: 1, Stephens, bonny Yellow Bunting, rare feather and colour. FOR.: 1, Mrs. Huggins, charming pair of Budgerigars. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2 spls., Miss Smith, very smart dark jonque Goldf.-Can., good size; 2, Griffin, stout buff dark Linnet-Can.

LANCASTER C.B.S.

Y.B. show, July 4. Some smart young birds were staged. Wm. Pennington made his debut as a judge with satisfactory results. -NOR. YELL.: 1, Swainson; 2, Alexander; 3, Whalley. BUFF: 1, Whalley; 2, Hoyle; 3, Swainson. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 3, Caferty and Son; 2, Harrison and Son. BUFF: 1, Harrison and Son; 2, 3, Caferty and Son. CINN. NOR.: 1, 3, Swainson; 2, Hoyle. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Wilson. MULES: 1, 2, Fisher; 3, Alexander. LINNET, ETC.: 1, Whalley; 2, Hoyle; 3, Fisher. GOLDF. OR BULF.: 1, Bostock; 2, 3, Alexander. A.O. HARD-BILL: 1, 2, 3, Fisher. SOFTBILL: 1, Alexander. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Winn. BUFF: 1, 2, Winn.-J. Bostock, Hon. Sec.

PAISLEY NOR., MULE, BRIT. AND FOREIGN B.C.

F.F. show, Painters Hall, Causey-side Street, July 11. There was a good turnout of members, and a record entry for a young bird show, all classes being full, except Mules or Hybrids, which was cancelled. Mr. D. O'Hare judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

CREST: 1, Gemmell; 2, Maxwell; 3, McLerie. C.B.: 1, Maxwell; 2, Gemmell; 3, McLerie. YELL. NOR.: 1, 3, Sinclair; 2, Maxwell; 4, Pratt. BUFF: 1, cup, Sinclair; 2, Pratt; 3, Maxwell; 4, McLerie. YELL. BORD.: 1, Briggs; 2, 4, Cunningham; 3, Potts. BUFF: 1, Briggs; 2, 3, Cunningham; 4, Potts. SMALL BRIT.: 1, McLerie; 2, Potts.-J. Gemmell, Sec.

COLINTON & CURRIE PARISHES.

Second annual N.F. show, Village Hall, Juniper Green, July 11. Owing to a moderate breeding season the entries were not up to last year, but the entry of 50 was considered very fair; quality was well maintained, some very good birds being forward, especially in buff Nor. Mr. Steel, Dalkeith, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

SCOTCH FANCY (2): 1, 2, Preston. CL. OR TKD. BORD. YELL. (12): 1, 2, Michie; 3, Ferguson; 4, Elder; 5, Crabb; 6, Dickson. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Michie; 3, Elder; 4, 5, Napier; 6, Smith. A.O. BORD. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Michie; 3, Napier; 4, Campbell; 5, McCrinn; 6, Brydon. BUFF (4): 1, Dickson; 2, 3, 4, Napier. NOR. YELL. (1): 1, Smith. BUFF (10): 1, 5, Smith; 2, Campbell; 3, 4, Elder; 6, Preston. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Campbell.-Jas. Napier, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Tenth annual Y.B. show, Queen's Hall, July 13. Entries were 16 fewer than last year. Novices were the largest exhibitors and made a really good show in both Norwich and Yorks. Except for the unexpected lack of support in the champion section, said to be due to the bad breeding season, the show was in every way a success, and a grand array of really good quality birds were exhibited. The arrangements were perfect, thanks to the capable work of the Hon. Sec., Mr. G. Griffiths, and the attendance was extremely good. Mr. J. Robson judged.

CHAMP., YORKS. CL. OR TKD.: 1, Clarke; 2, 3, vhc, c, Smith; he, Whitmore. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, 1, Whittome; 2, 3, Smith; vhc, Clarke. BORD. CL. OR TKD. EXCEPT GR.: 1, 3, Marriott; 2, vhc, Pegg. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Mrs. Thynne; 2, 3, Pegg; vhc, Marriott. NOV., NOR.: 1, Randall; 2, vhc, Mrs. Holden; 3, c, Snow; he, Nash. YORK. CL. OR TKD.: 1, 2, Mrs. Wilkes; 3, c, Bailey; vhc, Batten; he, Alexander. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Batten; 2, Mrs. Farlay; 3, Davis; vhc, Mrs. Wilkes; he, Bailey. BORD. CL. OR TKD. EXCEPT GR.: 1, 2, Green; 3, vhc, Gossling. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Gossling; 2, Green. CHAMP. OR NOV., BORD., SELF OR FOUL GR.: 1, 2, Mrs. Thynne; 3, vhc, Holden; he, c, Pegg. BRIT.: 1, 2, Simmonds, Yellow Bunting and Greenfinch; 3, Davis, Goldfinch; vhc, he, Birch; c, Rnnchman. Champ. diploma, Clark; Nov. diploma, Mrs. Wilkes, also spl. for best bird in the section, and best bird shown by a lady; sp. best Nor., Randall; best Yorks., a Clark; Border, Marriott; best mkd. bird, Mrs. Thynne; second best in Novice, Green.

ORMSKIRK C.B.S.

F.F. show, July 11, King's Arms Hotel—an admirable room for the purpose. Entries were below the average, owing to the indifferent results in some of the members' breeding rooms, but some nice Nor. and Borders were staged. Mr. T. Johnson, Southport, judged.

YELL. NOR.: 1, 3, Goring, big bird, mkd. eye, nice type, good wings, neat head. 3 mfd. head, nice type; 2, no name, nice col., lovely type and qual., not quite the sub.; vhc, Hunter; he, Beckett. BUFF: 1, Goring, cl., nice type, good head, rare thick body, nice short wings and tail; 2, Hesketh, bigger cl., nice type, good head and neck, close up; 3, he, J. W. Johnson, nice shape; vhc, Hunter. YELL. BORD.: 1, Hesketh, cl., beauty for type, nice silky feather; 2, Johnson, cl. again, trifle long, otherwise good; 3, J. W. Johnson, back mkd., lovely type and qual. BUFF: 1, vhc, c, John on, grand cl., lovely oval head, nice feather and shape; 2, J. W. Johnson, exquisite feather and type, beaten in head; 3, Hesketh, nice col. and type; he, Hesk th. BRIT. HARD.: 1, J. W. Johnson, Linnet, well-known winner, big bird, lovely nutty col., grand marks, good big head; 2, Johnson, Greenf., rare size, col., and shape; nice wing bars; 3, Johnson, Jan., Goldie, nice size and col. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Johnson, Jun., Orange Bishop and Waxbills, nice cond. and col. MULE: 1, 3, J. W. Johnson, varieg. Greenf.-Can., well known, 1 jonque, in rare fettle; 2, Goring, jonque Linnet-Can., nice size and col.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Annual N.F. show, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, July 1. Thirty-three Norwich were on view, but notwithstanding the splendid list of cash specials offered, no Yorks., Crests, or Cinnamons were shown, and five 2s. 6d. specials went begging; no young Mules, and only eleven British and Mules (old birds) staged. Mr. J. Bastock put down a fine team, and took special prizes for best Yell., best Buff, and best rung bird in champ. section. In novices, Mr. Jackson took sp. for best Yell. Nor., Mr. Westwood best Bull, and Mr. Derry best rung. Medal for best British, Mr. Jeffrey. Mr. J. H. Roe judged. Members are requested to note that owing to next meeting date falling in holiday week it has been arranged to hold it a week earlier, viz., July 29, at 8.30, when open show business will be dealt with, and a good attendance is desired.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, sp., 2, Bastock; 3, Dipple; 4, Broadhurst. BUFF (5): 1, 2 spls., 2, Bastock; 3, vhc, Dipple; 4, Broadhurst. VARIEG. (5): 1, 4, Bastock; 2, 3, vhc, Dipple. NOR., NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, sp., Jackson; 2, Shirley; 3, Jones; 4, Westwood. BUFF (7): 1, sp., 2, Westwood; 3, 4, Derry; vhc, he, Shirley; c, Ward. VARIEG. (8): 1, 2, vhc, Jackson; 3, T. Jones; 4, Shirley; he, Tipper; c, Westwood. MULES, OLD: 1, Raby, GOLDF. OR BULF. (4): 1, 2, 3, Raby; 4, Ward. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Raby; 3, J. H. Jones. A.O. HARD-BILL: 1, Ward. SOFTBILL: 1, sp., 2, Jeffrey.-J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., per J. H. de Maillet.

NORTH LONDON C.B.A.

F.F. show, July 11. Entries totalled 126, a few under last year. Mr. A. Trevalion, Novice, Nor., took spl. for best bird in show, and Mr. W. W. Grounell, Novice, Yorks., 2nd best in Brit. Mr. E. Stephens took spl. for best in section with a Goldfinch, and Mr. E. J. Pettet had the best Field Moutlet. This section was really the feature of the show and contained some tip-top exhibits, the Goldfinch class in particular being the best the Association have ever had for quality, etc. In Borders, Mrs. W. J. Salter had the best, with Mr. J. Bell close up. The Foreign section was an improvement on last year. Mr. F. J. Castell gave a good account of himself as Show Manager, with the able assistance of Messrs. T. Cawthorne, C. J. Tolfree and C. J. Williams. Mr. J. Robson judged.

CHAMP., NOR. CL. (3): 1, Cawthorne; 2, 3, Bell. TKD. (2): 1, Bell; 2, Cawthorne. MKD. OR VARIEG. (5): 1, 2, res, Cawthorne; 3, vhc, Bell. YORKS. (3): 1, 3, King; 2, Salter. TKD. (2): 1, Salter; 2, King. MKD. OR VARIEG. (2): 1, King; 2, Salter. BORD., CL., ETC. (4): 1, 2, 3, r, Mrs. Salter. MKD. OR VARIEG. (4): 1, 2, 3, r, Mrs. Salter. AMAT., NOR., CL. (1): 1, Walmesley. TKD. (1): 1, Walmesley. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Walmesley. YORKS. CL. (4): 1, 2, r, Tolfree; 3, Castell. TKD. (2): 1, Castell; 2, Tolfree. MKD. OR VARIEG. (1): 1, Tolfree. BORD., CL. (1): 1, Bell. MKD. OR VARIEG. (7): 1, 2, 3, he, c, Bell; r, vhc, Mrs. Neighbour. SELF GR. OR CINN. (4): 1, 2, 3, r, Bell. NOV., NOR. (8): 1, 2, 3, Trevalion; r, he, C. J. Williams; vhc, c, Hammond. TKD. (2): 1, Williams; 2, Dr. Huggins. MKD. OR VARIEG. (7): 1, he, Grindley; 2, 3, c, Williams; r, C. J. Williams; vhc, Hammond. YORK. CL. (4): 1, 2, Dr. Huggins; 3, r, Madell. TKD. (4): 1, Dr. Huggins; 2, r, Madell; 3, Grounell. MKD. OR VARIEG. (3): 1, Grounell; 2, Dr. Huggins; 3, Madell. GOLDF. (10): 1, 2, he, Stephens; 3, r, Scheerer; vhc, Fabian; c, Hammond. BULF. (2): 1, Stephens; 2, Pettet. GREENE. (5): 1, Pettet; 2, Madell; 3, vhc, Hammond; r, Stephens. LINNET (5): 1, 3, Hammond; 2, r, Stephens; vhc, Madell. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Pettet; 3, Hammond; r, vhc, he, Stephens; c, Madell. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Stephens; r, Hammond. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING (4): 1, 2, 3, Stephens; r, Madell. SOFTBILL (1): Madell. HENS (1): Stephens. FOREIGN (11): 1, vhc, Bell; 2, 3, r, he, Fabian; c, Hammond.-P. W. Jeffries, Hon. Sec.

NORTH MANCHESTER C.B.S.

N.F. show July 11, Balmoral Hotel Assembly Room, Rochdale Road. A record entry for a young show for the society, nearly 120 entries facing the judge. Mr. C. Houlton, who found a high-class lot of youngsters present. Special fell to a novice Yorks. for best young Canary (Cooper), also nov. Can. Best Amateur Special Mr. Hadfield with a pretty tkd. buff Nor., best British J. Robinson, good Goldf. Mr. A. Colley, hon. sec., with a very capable set of young fanciers as stewards, had matters in grand order and made things go smoothly.

AMAT. YORKS. CL. YELL.: 1, Jones, neat and typical. BUFF (5): All Jones, very nice team of medium size. TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Deakin, pretty varieg., grand style, pos., and stand; 2, Clarke, nice length, well up, good feather. BUFF: 1, Jones, thigh tick, fine type, etc.; 2, Clarke, shade smaller, nice pos., etc. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Hadfield, 1st fine type and size, grand head ear., col., and qual., 2nd grand shape; 3, Deakin, good col. and type, beaten a little in feather and cond. only; 4, Slater. BUFF: 1, 2, Hadfield, fine pair, fine bold bird, with rare head, etc., leading; 3, Woods, rare col., good type, feather A1; 4, Deakin; vhc, Slater; he, Firth. TKD. YELL.: 1, Slater, good type and quality; 2, Woods, nice type. BUFF (8): 1, Hadfield, grand all round; 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Slater, very strong team of typical birds; c, Woods. BORD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Hartley, grand jaunty nkd. bird, good type, feather, carr. and cond.; 2, 3, Howarth, both A1 carr., type and contour; 4, he, Colley. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Hartley, fine trio, especially winner; 4, Colley. NOV. YORKS. CL. YELL. (7) Rare good lot: 1, 3,

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Twitterings.

Mr. J. Walsh, Blackburn, has been engaged to judge Clitheroe Old Bird Show, Dec. 5.

Mr. M. Irvine, sec. East Perthshire P.A., writes that Mr. J. Adams (Dumdee) has been appointed judge for show on Nov. 21.

In view of the approaching Bank Holiday, August 3rd, we would remind readers that queries to which an answer is required in our issue of Aug. 8 must be in hand not later than Friday July 31. The offices of CAGE BIRDS will be closed from Friday evening, July 31, to Tuesday morning, Aug. 4.

OBITUARY.

Fanciers in the North, writes Mr. James Craig, Newcastle, will hear with regret of the recent bereavement sustained by the popular secretary of Newcastle C.B.S., Mr. J. W. Reed, in the loss of his respected mother. Having recently lost his father, it makes Mr. Reed's loss all the more severe.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. R. E. Griffith, sec. North Wales C.B.S., that I have to inform you of the death of the wife of our vice-chairman, Mr. George Jones. Mrs. Jones suffered for over two years and passed away in her 46th year on July 17, leaving Mr. George Jones with a large family. All fanciers will extend sympathy to Mr. Jones and family in their sad bereavement.

Mr. W. Garner.

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. W. Stafford, Stockport, that I have to announce the death of Mr. Walter Garner, brother to the late Mr. G. Garner. Walter was best known as a breeder and exhibitor of Norwich. Though he was always cheerful in company, we knew he was not in the best of health; still his death was quite unexpected, he expired suddenly on Saturday last from heart failure. He leaves a widow and daughter, to whom I am sure fanciers in general will extend their deepest sympathy.

Mr. John Carter, Leigh.

It is with deepest regret, writes Mr. R. Charleson, sec. Leigh C.B.S., that I have to announce the death, through an accident in the coal mine, of one of our members, Mr. John Carter. He was one of those members that any society could be proud of; he never had many birds to show, but when a show was coming off he was always there ready to put his shoulder to the wheel, a pattern which every member would do well to copy. He was only thirty years of age, and leaves a wife and a daughter six years of age. To them members of the Leigh C.B.S. give heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of trouble.

The Birds' Gratitude.

I should like it to be generally known that my gardener has proved that by placing several basins of water in the garden the birds have rewarded him by not eating any of the small fruit.—Jane Coode (St. Austells) in "The Western Morning News."

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"CAGE BIRDS" WATCH COUPON July 25th, 1914.

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At the Vale of Conway Agricultural Society's Show, held at Llânwrst, Aug. 26, 8 classes will be provided for cage birds. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool, will judge. See Review of Schedules.

Keeping and Breeding Foreign Seed-eaters in Cages.

An error crept into last week's instalment of Mr. Page's article. In the third line of the second paragraph "I am going" should read "I am not going."

A (George?) Washington Story.

A Sparrow who found a lun in the grounds of the White House, Washington, U.S.A., found by the time he had eaten halfway through that it was impossible to back out, and was forced to eat his way out at the other side. He had just succeeded in getting his head out when a policeman came to the rescue and released him from the trap.

Cuckoo's Strange Foster-mother.

Pues is not amicably disposed towards birds, but an interesting case of a strange friendship comes from New Malden. A cat has taken a great fancy to a young Cuckoo, which is being reared by hand. The cat carries the bird about on its back and plays with it as though it were a kitten. If any other cat approaches it is immediately up in arms.

Profiting by Pussy's Misfortune.

It is somewhat unusual for a bird to profit by the calamity of a cat. This took place in a village in Dorset. Two Tom cats met in a garden. They could not agree upon some nice point of honour, and, having decided to fight it out, selected a polyanthus primrose bed as their battlefield. The following morning the primroses were dishevelled, and snowy looks, belonging to one of the combatants, were strewn in handfuls on the ground. A Sparrow with a nest to build saw her opportunity, collected a quantity of fir, and furnished her que-roomed house with the hair of her family's hereditary foe.

London's Poisoned Birds.

An extraordinary tragedy in the bird life of the Villiers street and Whitehall portions of the Embankment Gardens has been engaging the attention of the officials for several days past. When the gardeners went their rounds in the morning of the 10th inst. they were astonished to find a number of dead Sparrows on the grass. They came to the conclusion that they had been poisoned. Subsequently ten fine Pigeons, many more Sparrows, and a Blackbird were found dead, and forty-five birds are stated to have been picked up in one day. A waitress at a tea gardens said that a few days ago she was greatly startled by a pigeon falling from the tree almost on her head. No explanation of the strange occurrence seems to be available. There are no plants with poisonous berries in the gardens, and though it would be possible for anyone of evil disposition to feed the little creatures with poisoned bread or seed, a careful watch has failed to detect any act of the kind. Whatever the cause, it is a regrettable fact that whereas a few days ago a couple of hundred Sparrows would gather round anybody throwing crumbs in the gardens, yesterday it would have been a trouble to find a score.

To Society Secretaries, Advertisers and Correspondents generally.

It would much facilitate our work if Secretaries and others would kindly write out their club reports, notices, etc., in the style in which they see them printed. Write on ONE SIDE ONLY of each sheet of paper used.

Will all correspondents, and secretaries and officials of societies in particular, please note that CAGE BIRDS now goes to press on Wednesday afternoon, so that all matter for publication in our issue of the same week MUST reach us on TUESDAY TO BE CERTAIN OF INCLUSION.

FIRST FEATHER SHOWS.

The following First Feather Shows have been arranged; we shall be glad to be notified of any omissions: July 25, South Shields C.B.S., Falkirk Good Intent, Derby C.B.S., Altrincham C.B.S., N. Yorks. and S. Durham Federation of C.B.S., Idle C.B.S., Clay Cross C.B.S.; July 30, Upper Rhondda C.B.S.; Aug. 1, Pelton Fell C.B.S., Sunderland C.B.A., Edinburgh C.B.S.; Aug. 4, Darvel C.B.S.; Aug. 8, Larkhall C.B.A.; Aug. 29, Dunfermline C.B.S.

THE PATRONAGE OF SPECIALIST CLUBS.

Societies desiring the patronage of the following clubs should apply to the respective secs., stating date of show, number of classes and judges: Northern Border and S.P.C.C., M. C. Potts, 52, Palmouth Road, Newcastle; Midland Counties Y.C.C., W. Wells, Belmside, Erdington, Birmingham; Norwich P.H.C., F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark Street, Burnley; Northern C.C., Geo. Dobson, 103, James Street, Blyden-on-Tyne; Yorks-hire and Lancashire British Bird and M.C., T. H. Inman, Thornbury, Bradford; Northern Y.C.C., R. Tindale, 6, Gill Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Green Canary Association, F. Handley, 23, Coventry Road, Wavertree, Liverpool; Five and Kinross P.H. Club, A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace, KeA; closing date, August 1. Yorks. C.C. of Scotland, W. Priest, 6, Orchard Street, Partick; closing date August 6. Scottish P.H. Club, F. Barron, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow. Crested C.C., J. Tyson, 109, Sloane Street, S.W. Northern Lizard Club, G. C. Davidson, 6, Eden Vale, Sunderland.—(Will secs. kindly let us know when their patronage list is full for the forthcoming season.—(Editor).)

The Judge and the Birds.

In the Shoreditch County Court last week, in the course of hearing a case, Judge Clier remarked: "The first time you have a homily delivered to you is when you are arrested and charged with taking a bird. So far as I am concerned, I wish more birds were taken, and then they would not eat any fruit."

An Address Wanted.

I received a postcard on July 15 from Mr. J. D. Gay, of Louth, saying he had not received ply-wood, writes Mr. E. M. Stanton (Winton, Patricroft). As I have never heard from this gentleman before (nor am I now able to write, owing to no address being given), I am at a loss what to do. Perhaps he will see this in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS.

Across the Antarctic.

Sir Ernest Shackleton's dogs arrived in London from Canada on July 14, and on July 29 the Trans-Antarctic expedition ship, the Endurance, sails for Buenos Aires. These ninety-nine happy dogs are big-hearted lovable creatures. Each is capable of drawing a load of at least one hundred pounds, and they can travel forty miles a day, if necessary. These half savage team dogs had never tasted a biscuit until they started on the voyage from Montreal to London, but they consumed two thousands pounds of Spratt's "Meat Fibrine" Dog Cakes by the time they arrived, and are now confirmed biscuit eaters. The late Captain Scott admitted that his failure to reach the Pole on his 1901 expedition was due to the fact that he substituted stockfish for biscuits as food for the dogs which accompanied him on his final dash. There is, however, no fear of anything of this sort happening in connection with the Trans-Antarctic Expedition, for Sir Ernest Shackleton has made ample provision for feeding his dogs on biscuits, the supply of Spratt's Dog Cakes on board the Endurance being sufficient to last throughout the Expedition.

PRIZES FOR NEW VARIETIES

And the Breeding of British and Foreign Birds.

TO encourage all readers to try what they can do in the matter of evolving new varieties of the Canary, of producing new kinds of Mules and Hybrids, and breaking fresh ground in the breeding of British and Foreign birds in cages and aviaries, CAGE BIRDS is adopting the scheme outlined below, which we hope will commend itself to, and stimulate into action, every bird-keeper who can possibly join in it.

CAGE BIRDS suitable and valuable mementoes are offered to any breeder who succeeds in

- (1) Producing and rearing any new variety of Canary, bred in either cage or aviary.
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- (4) Breeding and rearing in an aviary any species of British or Foreign bird which has not previously been so bred.

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An additional prize of £1 1s. Cash will be given to the breeder of the Rarest British Softbill in a Cage.

This is presented by Mrs. E. Warren Vernon.

Overheard in the Park.

Two little boys bound on a fishing expedition in St. James's park, London, stopped to watch those heavy comedians amongst birds—the Pelicans. "Bet yer can't tell wat birds them is?" remarked the bigger boy. "Errins." "Wrong." "Stawks." "I don't fink." "Wot yer call 'em, then?" "Why, Water-parrots, of course," was the reply.

Murdering the Microbes.

A very clever and successful fancier friend of mine makes an invariable practice of giving all his birds a weak solution of permanganate of potash to drink once weekly instead of pure water, his idea in so doing being to kill any bacteria lodging in the stomach and intestines. Not being a bacteriologist I cannot say if such a procedure is scientifically correct, but I know that the birds referred to are a remarkably healthy lot.—R. Munnery, in "The Bazaar."

Twenty Firsts in Two Seasons.

I was pleased to see the sketch of my cinnamon-marked yellow Border on the front page of CAGE BIRDS. I bred him two years ago, and in two show seasons he has won twenty firsts. I have bred a few very promising cinnamon marks this season, and I think if some of our larger shows would include a class for them it might induce more breeders to take up this charming variety of the "wee genus." I wish your valuable paper every success.—John Nicholson, Haltwhistle.

POSTERS

Prize Cards, Cage Slips, Badges, Judges' Books, cheapest and best. Read what the secretary of Wigan Cage Bird Society says: "Dear Sir,—Glad to say our members are simply delighted with the posters and prize cards. They say they are the best and cheapest they have ever had.—Yours, etc., E. Ball." Send for samples and prices.—The Manager, Printing Dept., "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Cash Prizes for the Best Written Accounts.

In addition we shall award to each sender of the best written essay in each of Sections 1, 2, and 4,

A Cash Prize of £1 1s.

that is, three guineas in all. In Section 3 the sender of the best written essay will receive

A Cash Prize of £2 2s.

presented by Mr. W. E. Teschemaker. Rule 6, of course, applies also to the awarding of all essay prizes, to compete for which the essays must be of not less than 1,000 words in length. In fact the explicitness and helpfulness of the details given will be the chief features taken into consideration when making the awards.

The Governing Conditions.

- (1) Claims for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes must be lodged with Editor within ten days of the young birds being hatched; and an independent witness skilled with birds shall certify to having seen the young in the nest or with the parents.
- (2) All young, excepting only Canaries and Mules and Hybrids, must be entirely reared by their own parents, hand-rearing not being permissible.
- (3) To qualify for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes the young of Hardbills and Softbills must live for at least three weeks after leaving the nest, young Quails six weeks, and the young Canaries or young Mules or Hybrids until after their first moult. By "young" is meant one, or more.
- (4) Our definition of a cage is: A cage to come within the scope of Section 3 must be one that can be easily moved, without being taken to pieces, from place to place by one person.
- (5) Written accounts of the breeding, for publication in CAGE BIRDS, must be lodged with us within four weeks (28 days) from the date the young birds leave the nest.
- (6) The decision of the Editor of CAGE BIRDS will be final and binding in every case and he shall have the right to call together a committee of expert bird keepers if need be to assist him in coming to the said decision.



BLOSSOM-HEADED PARRAKEET.

Second prize at Norwich Show for Mr. S. T. Parker of Norwich.

THE SUCCESSFUL BREEDING OF NORWICH PLAINHEADS.

A South-country champion exhibitor gives his views.

(Concluded from page 538.)

A lecture by Mr. J. Hodder (London, E.C.) before the members and friends of the London and Provincial O.S.

SOMEONE may ask the question: What is the best time to wean young birds off soft food? My answer is, not until they are through the moult, because when they reach the age of nine weeks in the case of early birds, and eight weeks in later hatched birds, they have to be put on colour food and kept on it for six or eight weeks until the moult is over, and by that time they will wean themselves off the soft food. I suppose Nature tells them they have had enough of it.

It is very necessary to keep a careful record of how all your birds are bred. Unless you keep a correct account of the pedigree of every bird, you will soon go astray, as there is a great deal more in pedigree breeding than some think. To consistently breed winners it is of vital necessity to practise careful and judicious inbreeding, but only when you have the pedigree of every bird before you so that you know exactly what you are doing. I have heard of the health of birds suffering because of carelessness in this respect. If no records are kept and birds are put together anyhow—well, what is to be expected but disaster?

Mistakes when Moulting.

Just a word or two on moulting. Some fanciers are fond of moulting their best specimens singly. I have proved this a mistake. If moulted singly they do not come out so good in colour as when moulted in batches, say of six or more. Sometimes when numbers of young birds are moulted together a few develop the objectionable habit of plucking the feathers of their fellows. It is no use trying to cure them with tying bits of string or tape to the wires for them to pull at, these things are not so palatable to them as the end of the feather (I mean the quill) just as it has been plucked from the other bird. They are proper cannibals, you know, when they get the taste of blood. The best plan is to put them in with some old hens, then let them try it on with these old hens, they will soon get taught better manners and leave off their bad habits.

When colour feeding I like to make the colour food as deep in colour as beetroot. A small teaspoonful per bird per day will suffice. I am no advocate of taking the seed away, but if it is done it is best to do it at the break of day for about an hour, when they will eat readily of the colour food which you have made with eggs, biscuits, and sweet pepper. Then leave the seed on the whole of the day. If you moult them in batches, kept in roomy cages, you will find they will moult more quickly, and come a better colour than if moulted singly, as I have already stated. I have known birds that would not touch the colour food when alone eat it readily when caged with others.

Helping Plumage and Colour.

The more room you can give them the better. Don't be afraid to allow them free access to the bath; it will help considerably to rid them of the old feathers and put polish on the new ones. The bath is a wonderful conditioner. I consider when the moult is about three parts through a very good way of binding the colour is to give a little citrate of iron, sulphate of iron, or chemical food in the drinking water, and I am not adverse to a little hot pepper mixed with the other, say one to ten or so.

Never attempt to handle a bird just fining down after the moult. In nine cases out of ten if you do you will find a number of the new feathers in your hand. This is most annoying just before the shows begin, especially if your bird is a good specimen. If you are for some reason obliged to catch them up to do it as quickly and expeditiously as possible. Give them ample time to harden. It is the wisest course not to wash them for the first shows for the same reason.

I know it is most difficult in London and other great cities and towns to keep their plumage from getting soiled before the shows begin, but with a little forethought and care, such as covering them over with light muslin to keep off dust and yet allow plenty of light and frequent bathing, I think they can be kept clean for the first shows. The country fancier has a great advantage over the town fancier in that he can keep his birds clean a whole season by means of the bath only, and so keep the bloom on his birds. This is greatly to his benefit, as with constant washing the bloom is taken off the birds, and, of course, this tells against them when competing against birds still carry-

ing plenty of bloom on the feather. Yet it is of no use showing birds in a dirty condition; even at the risk of washing away the bloom they must be shown quite clean.

Many a good bird goes under because it has not been properly staged. The man who does not take the pains to show his birds properly stands no chance whatever against the man who does. I have seen inferior birds put over others solely because they were shown in better condition. After all, this is only to be expected, as a judge cannot give a bird full credit for what he is if the beauty of his plumage is hidden by dirt. I would strongly advise exhibitors to stage their birds in the best possible condition.

The Strain of the Shows.

What a strain the show season is on the birds constitution, and what a lot of birds we notice go right out of condition, and in many cases into soft moult, about the month of November. We should do all in our power to combat the strain of a heavy show season. Never let your birds return from a show without giving them a tonic in the form of tincture of steel or chemical food, also egg food and maw seed. You may have a cold room, your birds are sent out on a cold day to a show-room well heated, then large numbers of fanciers visit the show until the place becomes quite hot and suffocating. The birds are packed up and sent out into the cold on their return journey. Is it any wonder they get out of condition and go into soft moult? I am sure you will agree with me when I say you cannot take too much care of the birds you are constantly sending out to shows, and I am perfectly sure if they were treated in the way I have described, after returning from each show, we should



A GREENFINCH'S REMARKABLE NESTING SITE.

This Greenfinch built in an old cap which hung from the top of a stake in the shrubbery at Hesketh Park, Southport.

Photograph sent by Mr. T. Johnson.

have less of the troubles that cross the path of exhibitors each year when the show season is about half over.

It is advisable to keep the best birds during the show season separately in suitable cages, and occasionally run them out into their show cages for practice, but a well-bred bird does not require much training; he soon takes his perches correctly, and is on show at every move and turn. Mr. Hodder concluded: "Well, ladies and gentlemen, more could be said about this most interesting hobby, but I think I have now taken up sufficient of your time, and thank you very much for your most careful attention to what I have had to say."

in the meantime it has been kept in a shutter cage and received careful treatment because the song tone and delivery may naturally be expected to be quieter and better than that of the cock which has been allowed full day light, and had access to unlimited quantities of a rich diet.

After this bird has completed his services in the breeding cage he should be taken in hand at once with the view of getting the song as steady as possible. Frequent doses of sulphate of soda will be a useful agent in helping to cool the body, but a little care will have to be exercised so that the doses are not given too large, or too often, so as to cause or set up a diarrhoea. All articles of diet—excepting a little green food, and an occasional snack of bread and milk—should be cut out gradually until the staple diet consists of the best German summer rape.

Long intervals of full daylight must not be allowed; as a guide to this it will be noticed that when the bird is first opened to full light the song is delivered calmly, and better connected; but after a time, say when fifteen or twenty minutes have elapsed, if it is found that the bird is beginning to get excited, and bringing out an objectionable sounding tour, or breaking away from its usual style of singing, then it is time to again close the shutters and subdue the light.

Words of Caution.

I would like to draw attention to the fact that the methods of dieting that I have now or previously laid down should be taken as meaning to apply generally, and in some cases the fancier may have to use a little discretion in dieting to suit his own circumstances. For instance, in our own islands in the autumn and winter months it is much warmer in some parts than in others, then there are those fanciers who live abroad, where the heat of the climate would render it useless, and maybe harmful, to give any rich article of diet, except during the breeding season.

So it will be understood by fanciers abroad that their birds will not require such a rich or heat-forming diet as those that are kept in a cooler temperature, and it may be even advisable for the former to endeavour to reduce the temperature of the rooms by frequently sprinkling the floor with water, or a solution of a liquid disinfectant and water, or by suspending a damp sheet or blanket across the room, renewing it when the heat of the atmosphere has withdrawn the moisture. Their birds should be fed on a diet of rape seed, a little green food, or a small portion of ripe fruit daily, with a small piece of bread and milk twice a week.

In a friendly birdy chat I had recently with one of our oldest—and I should say one of the most respected—of our Roller fanciers, it came as a bit of a surprise to me to learn that the following method of dealing with an unfertile cock bird during the winter had not occurred to him. With every breeding season we unfortunately hear complaints of some fancier finding one or more of his cock birds—and frequently they are the pick of the stock—failing to fertilise a proper percentage of the eggs. Again, the complaint with others is that they find young birds in different stages of formation dead in the shells. Various reasons are advanced as to the cause of this, one is that the stamina of the stock has deteriorated through too closely inbreeding.

(To be continued.)

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 542.)

UNLESS feeding trays are used, the bottoms of cages and flights must be cleaned out frequently; for it would be dangerous for the young birds to pick up the egg-food that has been dropped and turned stale on the cage bottoms. The use of feeding trays is a labour-saving device, as they catch the waste food, and prevent it from being scattered to the bottoms of the cages. They are made in the form of a narrow box lid, a little shorter than the width of the cage, with the edges about one and a half inches deep, and they must be sufficiently narrow to pass easily through the cage door. One tray will be quite sufficient for each flight, and it can either be placed flat on the cage bottom, or legs could be arranged underneath it. Another way of fixing is to put two small wire staples in the back of the cage, and two hooks to correspond in the back of the tray, also two hooks in the front of the tray to ledge on the front, or bottom rail, and underneath the cage door.

The egg-food should be placed in the egg-food pans, and these placed on the feeding tray; this is better than scattering it direct on to the tray, as it would become soiled by the bird's excreta. Remove the tray and throw all waste food away each time fresh egg-food is supplied.

Discouraging Late Laying.

If the hen has not commenced to moult when the last round of youngsters have been removed from the breeding cage a cooling medicine may be advantageously given for about three successive days before removing her to the flight, as it will have a tendency to reduce her temperature and discourage her from laying again. The diet should be gradually curtailed and made as plain as possible, to consist of plain canary and rape seeds, a little green food daily, also an occasional snack of bread and milk, say once per week. No egg food or rich mixtures of seeds should be given until she breaks away into the moult. When this occurs she may be transferred to the flight cage and dieted through the moulting season as recommended for the young hens.

Where the hen has commenced to moult before the young ones can feed themselves, the above precautions will not be necessary, for immediately the young ones are finished

off she can be put into the flight cage, as the strain of the moult will be adequate to discourage any further desire to go to nest.

The treatment of the cocks at the close of the breeding season will vary a little according to the method that has been employed in using them in the breeding cage. With the cock that has only been allowed in the breeding cage sufficiently long enough to fertilise the eggs the diet can be gradually curtailed after the hen has gone to nest with the last clutch of eggs, until it consists of plain canary and rape seed, a little green food daily, and an occasional piece of bread and milk. Half-a-teaspoonful of egg food may be given once or twice per week, but this, and also rich mixtures of seeds, are not necessary until the moult commences; then it would be beneficial to their future welfare if they were allowed the use of a flight cage. If there is lack of other accommodation no harm is likely to accrue should they be allowed to fly amongst the old hens until the spring of the following year.

The Male and the Moulting.

Where the cock has been allowed to remain in the breeding cage to assist the hen in feeding the young ones it is obvious that he must not be removed until the last round has been finished off, i.e., until the young ones can feed themselves. Then if he has already begun to moult he can be placed straight away into the flights, but where there are signs of the moult having commenced the best treatment is that advised above for the cock that is removed from the breeding cage immediately the hen commences to sit. It would be unwise to place him immediately into the flight amongst the others that are moulting, for being full of vim he would make himself obnoxious, and bully the other occupants of the flight. These old birds in the flights should have access to the bath—chilled when the weather makes it necessary—for it will assist in the shedding of the old feathers, and bring the new ones as clean as the proverbial new pin.

With the cock that has been used in the breeding cage, and is afterwards required for a tutor, it will frequently be noticed that the bird that has not spent long periods in the breeding cage will be the most suitable for a tutor—of course, I am assuming that

KEEPING AND BREEDING FOREIGN SEED-EATERS IN CAGES.

By WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S., &c.

(Continued from page 9.)

FOOD and treatment are really simple matters if we only bring the same amount of intelligence and thoughtfulness upon the subject as upon the ordinary details that go to make the sum total of the "common round and daily task." Of course, a beginner must have a text book containing general principles, but he must apply them thoughtfully and observantly, so that he may be able to give a reason for the various happenings, favourable or otherwise, which will abound in every experience. In other words, if one slavishly follows the text book and does not think for one's self, there is no progress, and one's experience as a bird-keeper is stagnant.

Now as regards foods, whether seeds, meals, or any others, all must be stored in the dry, and in such receptacles as will keep them free from dust—not very long ago I was looking over the stores of an aviculturist (absent on the occasion of my visit) and found a bagful of biscuit meal all covered with mildew, which was actually being supplied to the birds, and though these were mostly coarse feeders, there were losses; yet to him, in spite of these losses, cause was not apparent. Storing the food properly is as highly important as buying good, clean, sweet seeds, meals, etc.; there is not much use in buying such unless they are kept so as to retain these qualities so long as they last.

Giant Canary Seed Not Wanted.

In respect of seeds, we have already noted that only the best should be purchased; but one other general remark is necessary, and this refers to canary seed—the writer does not approve of giant seed for the majority of the Waxbill and Finch tribe; it is difficult for them to crack as a rule; a medium-sized, plump seed is just as good feed, and more freely taken by the small ornamental Finches.

The staple seed dietary for the majority of Foreign Finches will consist of canary, white and Indian millet, and millet sprays; and as one cannot litter one's cages with half-a-dozen hoppers, a mixture is the most convenient form in which to supply it. This we may well call the staple mixture, and it simply consists of a quart measure (or any other size) each of canary, white and Indian millet seeds, and well mixed together.

There are supplementary seeds which can best be given as a mixture, and for convenience's sake I will call this the supplementary mixture, and it may well include all the following:—One quart wild seed mixture (any good brand), one pint each golden pleasure, German summer rape; half-pint each paddy rice, teazle and linseed, one gill inga, ½ lb. each maw and mustard, 1oz. each dandelion, cornflower, cabbage, lettuce, thistle and plantain, the whole to be well mixed. During the cold months of the year a little crushed hemp and cracked sunflower seeds may be added to the above.

If the reader make his own, self-feeding seed-hopper the matter is quite simple, as if it be six inches long it can be divided into two parts, one four inches long and the other two inches; the "staple mixture" to go into the large division, and the "supplementary mixture" into the other, merely replenishing either one or the other as required.

The Green-food

Then there comes the question of green food; very little comes amiss, all kinds of the seeding and flowering heads of wild grasses; dandelion (leaves, flowers and seed-heads), the same as to groundsel, chickweed—not rank growing, but that of somewhat stunted growth and carrying both flowers and seeds; then such as the seed heads of dock, thistle, teazle, plantain, in fact any of our indigenous wild plants that are not of known poisonous qualities. While on this topic I may state that bunches of the seed heads of wild grasses, dock, etc., may be gathered while they are in plenty, tied up in small bunches, stored in bags, and served up to the birds when the green supply fails.

If obtainable, a small turf of grass and clover, about four inches across, may be put in the cage, with the soil quite moist, but not so wet that water will drain from it; it should be put in the cage two or three times weekly, and will rest the birds' feet from always being in contact with dry, hard sand and turfs.

Then comes the question of soft food. Where only a few birds are kept this is best bought ready mixed—several good mixtures are regularly advertised in our pages. On the other hand, many prefer to mix their own, this presents no difficulty; procure half-a-pound each of best ants' eggs and dried flies, finely crush a pound of Osborne biscuits, mix all together and store in dust proof tins in

any dry cupboard—it will keep indefinitely. For use, take the required portion and make crumbly moist (it must not be made into a wet sticky mass) with boiling water, and then stir in a little crumbled sponge cake.

Once or even twice a week, a little sponge cake made into a sop, either with boiling milk or condensed milk and boiling water should be given to all species of birds which will take it, and this should be given daily to any bird showing signs of internal inflammation while the symptoms remain.

Live Food Very Helpful.

Then what about live insects? Most do not associate these with seed-eaters, but in a wild state these play a large part in the "bill of fare" of most of the *Fringillidae* (Finches), whether native or alien species. Of course there is the ever obtainable mealworm as the stand by, and one or two per bird two or three times a week, or even daily with some species, will tend to their general well-being. The fancier who has the well-being of his feathered pets at heart will capture many a spider, smooth caterpillar, small beetle, or give a blighty spray from rose or fruit tree, etc., to pander still further to the palate of the feathered occupants of his cages, thus making their little lives happy, contented and glad-some.

I fear I have been rather verbose, and perhaps intentionally so; for my aim is not to lay down any hard and fast rules, but rather to set my readers thinking—certainly along lines which I have found successful over a period of some thirty-five years—and to pursue their hobby so that their birds will ever be in tight and silken plumage, and by song and general demeanour fully demonstrate that they possess to the full the gladness of living. Then the fancier will be amply repaid for his trouble, and his leisure hours be filled with interest and pleasure, as he tends or observes his pets.

I find I have neither referred to grit, cuttlebone, or the bath—all are essential to the birds. As regards grit, I do not imply sand, however excellent this may be, but grit, and as town dwellers find such not easy to procure, they had better procure one of the excellent flint grits on the market (see our advertisement) and sprinkle a little on the top of the sand tray whenever the sand is renewed; it is necessary to the well-being of the birds.

A piece of cuttlebone should hang continually in every cage; not only are its properties good for the birds, but as they peck at it their beaks are kept trimmed, and but few cases of overgrown beak will occur where this is regularly used.

The bath should be of the type which hangs over the open door of cage, and not be left there continually. Supply it twice a day during the warm months of the year, but once a day will suffice during the cold period, and during sharp snaps it had better be omitted, at any rate with some species.

My next instalment will cover: Reception of new arrivals, breeding hints, a few homely remedies, and some successful results.

(To be continued.)

Live Insect Food for Birds.

HOW TO OBTAIN IT.

LIVING insects, in as great variety as possible, form such a valuable addition to the dietary of all insectivorous and many seed-eating and frugivorous birds in confinement that when obtainable during the warm weather they should be supplied as abundantly as possible. It is the one opportunity of the year to offer the birds a change from the monotonous round of dried ants' cocoons, mealworms, and gentles, excellent though these things are as tit-bits during the winter months.

Considerable quantities of insects may sometimes be quickly collected with the aid of a hand sweeping net, obtainable from any entomologist's. This appliance (says W. L. in "The Bazaar"), should be dragged along a hedge-bottom or ditch-side quickly on a summer evening, and

its contents periodically emptied on to a sheet of paper spread on the roadside, and from thence quickly tilted into a tin box with a tightly-fitting lid.

Several small tin boxes should be carried; if possible, one for each sweep of the net. Should it become necessary to open a box to take in another batch of insects, knock the bottom violently upon something hard so as to cause any insects crawling up the inside to fall to the bottom of the box, and thus prevent their escape when the lid is taken off to admit of the fresh lot; but even by adopting this precaution several are bound to make their escape, hence a supply of small boxes is best. Furthermore, these small boxes may very conveniently be opened as required and placed in the cages or aviaries for the birds to feed from.

Items from the Garden.

Green-fly (or aphid) is a most useful form of insect life; so are small green smooth caterpillars. By shaking the branches of infested plants and bushes over a large cup or pannikin of water large numbers may be collected. The water may then be drained off and the insects given to the birds.

Earwigs, as all dahlia growers know, may be caught in inverted thumb-pots half filled with moss or paper, and placed on the tops of stakes beside infested plants. The moss or paper should be shaken out daily into a bowl of water, or else into a smooth glazed feeding-dish with perpendicular sides from which the lively earwigs cannot escape quickly. They are liked by many birds, and are a wholesome article of diet.

Caterpillars (the hairy ones are useless) must usually be collected in small quantities, and by hand.

Fresh ants' cocoons, really the most valuable of all living insect foods for captive small birds, are now on sale regularly during the season, and we can personally vouch for the general excellence of the supplies. Only enough to last a few days—say for not much more than a week—should be purchased at a time, and they should be kept in a cool, dry place, in a large flat tin with plenty of ventilation holes. If stored in a narrow deep receptacle they soon become rancid and mildewed, and are in that condition unfit for use.

Correspondence.

Training Linnets for Singing Contests.

SIR,—I should like to thank "Linnet" for his letter on running a singing club. Should I be asking too much if he would give us a few hints on how to train the Linnets and get them into condition for a contest?

NOVICE.

A Thrush Returns Home.

SIR,—Having read in last week's CAGE BIRDS of a Bullfinch returning home after having had its liberty, I thought the following might be of interest. On the 11th of July we held a members' show at Ardsley and one of our members had a Thrush entered, but when he went into the bird room to put it into its show cage it got away and, of course, was soon out of sight. On the Sunday he had a pleasant surprise however. About 7 p.m. he saw his bird on the house-top, and on opening the door of the bird-room (which is in the garden) the bird flew straight in, and back into its own cage. We think this very remarkable, as it is a this year's bird.

H. COCKREM.

Hon. Sec. East Ardsley C.B.S.

The Clear Linnet Mules at Longton.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. G. Perrins, I am pleased he has corrected the statement re "Well-known Judge," also I thank you for your note under his letter. I may say in passing that Mr. H. Tams (my father) and myself, have been showing British birds and Mules as Tams and Son for the past twelve years. During the past year we have sold out all our team of birds, so that Mr. H. Tams may take up more judging appointments. I myself shall get together another team when the show season comes round. I also think that any dealer who buys and sells upwards of 5,000 birds in one season, must be a well-known judge or he would soon be stocked up with clear Mules and their parents. I do not know how the Canaries got into the nest, but as the Meir, where Mr. Perrins says the "clear Mules" now are, is only ten minutes' walk from where Mr. Perrins lives, I should

advise him to go and see them. The parents of the supposed Mules I saw were a heavily-marked (green) hen and a Linnet. I should think, as the latter's beak was quite white and the bird in very poor condition, it could not have bred Mules; in any case not this year. I am replying in a friendly spirit only, and I hope to see Mr. G. Perrins come round as usual during the bird season and pick out winners as before. I also should like "Interested" to sign his name to his letters, so that we may see in what way he is interested.

ENOCH TAMS.

How Linnet Singing Clubs and Contests are Run.

SIR,—Allow me to help Mr. Coward re forming a Linnet Singing Club. A president is selected, chairman, and four or five committeemen, with secretary and treasurer. Then choose a house where you know the landlord or proprietor will let you have an upstairs room, with a good window where nothing can startle the birds when being hung. Then two boards are made, one foot (or eighteen inches) long by five inches broad, one for each side of the window—No. 1 and No. 2—then a nail is driven into each board. You can have a sing every week-end; open to all, I mean. Then when you get a good muster of competitors, that is the time to start your club. Each member who joins may pay what he likes—3d., 6d., and so on—until he has paid up in full. Make a date for all members to be fully paid up. This will do when the club has been going on for a while—say 10s. a member. Then you can get the proprietor of the house to add to each paid-up member, 2s. to 2s. 6d. This is what has been done in Sheffield for the last eighteen years, during which I have been singing. The way we sing here is, get a man to mark the scores down as they are called out, 1 and 2, also two timers and two tappers. You can sing one minute each way or one and a-half minutes, or two minutes, each way. Get a piece of writing-paper, and as the competitors enter their birds write them down in line. When you have all in, clip each name off, in strips; double up each one and put the whole into a hat. Let someone draw them out one at a time and call the names out. You write them down, say, Jones out first, No. 1; Brown out second, No. 2. Then draw a line underneath; and so on while they are all drawn out of the hat. If there is an odd bird, this one will meet the first bird out of the cap, only the odd bird being timed, however. Three

seconds' sing is counted; under is not counted. I don't think there is a man who has trained as many winning Linnets as I have, and I might say I have one that follows me all over the house, and will sing anywhere. It is eleven years old and the keenest judge living would not think he was two years old.

E. ROBINSON.

The "Order of the Pits" at Abertillery.

SIR,—Mr. A. E. Moule has my sympathy. As regards him being a worker, he is worth, in my estimation, a dozen of such men as got together to give him the "push." Their action only goes further to prove the jealous and unsportsmanlike men they are. I think discussion in these columns is quite necessary; it tends to keep the Fancy pure. If there is no governing rule of the society (I have been given to understand there is not) they cannot throw Mr. Moule out unless they alter their rules first, which can be done only in a meeting specially called for that purpose.

EBBW VALE.

SIR,—It is a matter of much surprise to myself and many others that the few officials concerned should have adopted such a harsh and unconscionable attitude towards Mr. Moule, and in common with others I think their action was actuated by spite, and not from any desire to serve the best interests of the society. In view of the good work done in the past by Mr. Moule, it is only right that the matter should be referred to, and dealt with by a general meeting.

FAIR PLAY.

["Exhibitor" also writes practically to the same effect as "Fair Play" and "Ebbw Vale," in condemnation of the action taken against Mr. Moule.—EDITOR.]

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The Treatment of Birds by Railway Companies.

SIR,—A lot has been written about the treatment of live stock by the railway companies, but I think the palm can be awarded the Great Eastern Railway. I have had four separate lots of birds by that line, and their history is as follows:—Boxes one and two, both delayed a whole day unnecessarily, so that birds were dead on arrival. Box three was delivered ~~early~~, the box having been smashed to pieces. Box four was not even delivered. It was completely lost. Of course, compensation was demanded and expected, but this line refused to pay more than 5s. a head. Their claim, therefore, amounts to this—they claim the right to do as they please with any birds sent on their line provided they pay 5s. a head! Of course, they must not be judged too harshly. If they paid proper compensation for birds delayed, lost or smashed by them, the sum paid might be sufficient to swamp the salary of an American manager.

F. D. S. (Seaford.)

[In cases where negligence can fairly be alleged, if these were taken to the County Court we are of opinion the judge would hold that the "5s. clause" was unreasonable, and that the proper value of the birds would be recovered. Railway companies most certainly cannot claim the right to "do as they please" at 5s. per head with birds consigned to their care.—EDITOR.]

A Hatching Result which Should Make Fanciers Think.

SIR,—I thought the following might be of interest to breeders of all pure-bred prize stock. At the commencement of the present season I paired a cinnamon Border cock to a clear yellow Norwich hen for the first round. When she laid her four eggs I set her and took away the cock. She sat her time and hatched three young, and I transferred these young to a pair of Borders to rear. Then I paired the Norwich hen to a Bullfinch cock. They appeared to settle down all right, and she went to nest a second time and laid three eggs. About the fifth day I examined the eggs and found two were fertile, when I naturally began to think I was to get Bullie-Canary Hybrids. However, when they hatched they were both Canaries, and pink-eyed birds—one of them is a foul cinnamon and the other a cinnamon-mark. Now it was exactly a month from setting the hen for the first nest until I set her for the second. I have seen what I thought to be a similar thing to this happen with me before, but I had not the same opportunity of proving it as in this case. I would like to hear other fanciers' views on the matter. How long have they proved the germ to have been carried by a hen? I think there may be a good deal of in-breeding done in this manner without the breeder really observing what he is doing with his stock.

ROBERT YOUNG.

Heaton.

A Linnet with One Foot Breeds Mules.

SIR,—I would like to you to know of my experience this season in muling. I bought a Linnet in August and put him all the winter with one of my favourite hens, a Yorkshire. Then I bought a rabbit hutch for the sum of 1s. I took out the sleeping compartment door and put a glass one in its place, and covered the hole where the rabbit used to go in and out of the run with a sliding partition. Next I got two Reller wicker-work travelling cages, took out one side of each, and hung them on a dresser-hook, one in each compartment. Next I got a windowcleaner to get me a couple of old nests out of some ivy. He got me four or five, for which I gave him a trifle. Then I whitewashed the whole concern inside. In March I put in a seed-hopper, put an old nest in each Roller cage, and put both birds in the hutch together. They had a clutch of 5 eggs, and after letting the hen sit her time, the eggs being unfertile, I took them away. She set to work again, and laid four eggs, and hatched out four young. When a week old one died; the remaining three are over a fortnight old, and have nearly all their feathers. I have fed them on plenty of wild seeds and the egg food I mentioned in my letter to CAGE BIRDS of a short time ago, this being made of wholemeal and eggs. The most remarkable thing about my Linnet is that it has a withered foot and claw, this not interfering with the fulfiling of its work. On the day the eggs were due to hatch we moved to another house. I got a brother fancier to help me carry the birds round. During the journey the hen never left the nest. I left the eggs as they were laid, and also left my Linnet with her all the time; not an egg was touched. This is my first attempt at muling, although I have bred Canaries for years. Will Mr. O. George Edwin and Mr. Boscewin kindly let me know how they have got on with my recipe for egg-food (published in your grand paper on Feb. 21st)? If any fancier is in doubt about my Mules they can see them by appointment; address from the Editor.

CHRISWELL.

DID BIRDS ORIGINATE FROM REPTILES?

The "Tails" of Mankind.

SIR,—Mr. Wilmot misquotes Carlyle, but it is fair to assume does not include himself amongst the "mostly fools." He says he admits some of the facts of evolution. Certainly he has a perfect right to admit anything that suits him, but that does not alter the facts. He then asks for information. He wants to know if any of your readers can tell him "What has become of the monkey's tails." If by that question he wants to know what has become of his own tail, this I can tell him: If he has the misfortune during the next frosty weather to sit down hard on the pavement, or—equally unfortunate—has a hob-nailed boot applied to the proper spot, he will discover the joint left where his tail dropped off; and it is still very tender and sensitive. I was going to say as sensible as the other end of his spine. A man is not necessarily a fool because he does not see eye to eye with Mr. Wilmot, and I beg to take exception to Mr. Wilmot's remarks.

JNO. ALLEN.

Why it doesn't Much Matter.

SIR,—Mr. Mansfield Savage's assertion that scientists do not wish people to believe their theories who haven't had a classical education, but those who are their intellectual equals, is reassuring. I was under the impression that they were trying to get their theories into such tinpot heads as my own. Anyhow, so long as they are content that their fads have no interest to anyone outside their own select circle, then it doesn't matter very much; it amuses them and doesn't do anyone any harm. I see the daily press gives the information that the British Association is going to throw the Darwinian theory overboard. Well, well! Those who were readiest to believe in the Darwinian theory will be the first to embrace a new one.

T. JOHNSON.

Evolution just a "Fancy Term."

SIR,—I make bold to challenge Mr. Wells's assertions, which in essence are similar to and quite as fatal as Mr. Coe's. "Proof is afforded," he says, "by the fact that the earliest known bird . . . by its fossil remains had teeth in its beak, claws at the bend of the wing, and a lizard-like tail with vertebrae such as no modern bird possesses." Now that fact, if it be a fact, which is not proved, is no argument in favour of his assumption. He is presenting us with a winged reptile, not a winged fowl or bird. Does Mr. Wells wish to foist upon your readers the delusion of would-be evolutionists that a bird was not always a bird, and that a wingless or winged-reptile was the parent stock of birds? If so, it would be a reflection on the general intelligence of fanciers, as well as a contradiction of true science, common-sense, and human experience. He is no nearer the truth when he declares that "birds show their affinity with reptiles by their methods of reproduction with eggs and the scales on their legs." What nonsense; what a lame argument. There are reptiles which do not reproduce by eggs, and birds on whose legs there are no scales. As well say mankind has descended from the ape, or any other animal, because they produce their kind

in similar ways. Theories, speculations, mental conceptions about the origin of birds, will ever remain worthless unless they resolve themselves into the web of life's experience. Mr. Thomson is more cautious in his contribution, freer from the glamour and speculations of dogmatic evolution. His timely warning to ornithologists will, I hope, be taken to heart. Mr. Hargreaves also takes a rational view of the problem, and his advice to Mr. Coe to read the Creation story in Genesis may set his mind at rest. Evolution can give us nothing better. Evolution is a fancy term; one to conjure with; used too frequently by destructive critics to deny creation from design. It has not enlightened us on the origin of life. Birds have always been birds. Darwin, Wallace, Huxley, Spencer, etc., have never found or proved the bird to be other than a bird, nor are Messrs. Coe and Wells likely to succeed where they have failed.

A. McLEAN.

The "Mar-like" Apes have no Tails.

SIR,—The ridiculous opinions and assertions of correspondents palpably unqualified to touch upon this subject are not a little diverting. The zenith of humour seems to be reached when a correspondent seriously asks what has become of the monkey's tails, apparently as a clinching argument that the various evolutionary theories propounded are all at sea. As the term must include the anthropoid apes—the nearest "relatives" of human beings—would it not have been better had Mr. Wilmot ascertained whether this class of monkey really has a tail or not? Let me whisper this softly: There was a time in the pre-natal stage of your correspondent's existence when he himself possessed a caudal appendage, well and clearly defined. Truly, a little knowledge is a dangerous thing with which to enter such a controversy as this; especially so when Carlyle's definition of men in general is tacked on to such arguments as the one in question! Readers must be very grateful for the spice of unconscious humour introduced into the pages of CAGE BIRDS by some of its correspondents in this discussion.

A LOOKER ON.

Experiments With the Young Cuckoo.

SIR,—I was also pleased to see Mr. A. McLean's and Mr. G. J. Johnson's letters on the above subject. No doubt it takes some courage to contradict the views of a professor. There can be no doubt that birds existed before the flood. I do not believe that a majority of ornithologists have accepted the theory that birds have evolved from reptiles but whether they have or not, it has never been proved. I have discussed the subject before, but there was no evidence produced of a definite nature to prove that birds sprung from reptiles. It would be much more to the point if those who maintain that birds evolved from reptiles would experiment with the reptiles nearest to the birds, or the ones they think produced the birds, and see whether they could get birds or not. Mr. Seebohm said "Probably birds evolved from reptiles." But he also rejected the evidence of those who saw the young Cuckoo ejecting

eggs and young birds from the nest. Rather a strange way of reasoning!

When I saw it stated that the young Cuckoo ejected eggs and young birds from the nest I accepted it. When I saw it contradicted, I procured some birds' eggs and put them into nests beside young Cuckoos, with the result that the young Cuckoos threw them out. When I stated the facts I met with great opposition. I discussed the point more or less for about two years, but all to no purpose, my opponents even increasing, although I was dealing with facts, and not theory. I had some "heavy weights" against me too, but I stuck to my guns. At last the camera came to my aid, and I made a clean sweep of my opponents. I got Mr. Peat Millar, photographer, formerly of Beith, and now in Australia, to take a series of snapshots of a young Cuckoo, while still blind, in the act of ejecting a young bird from the nest, a bird which I had put in for the purpose. This made a final and permanent settlement of that vexed question.

JOHN CRAIG.

We wish we were at Blackpool.

SIR,—I see the Rev. H. A. Soames says I have read my Bible carelessly if I think the Bible contradicts the evolution theory. I would ask him to point out the evolution passages. I am not one of those who believe that man has been in existence eight or ten thousand years; I believe that man was created by and had authority given him by Our Lord over every living thing. Mr. Maxwell Savage says that if I had seen the jawbone of this ape-man side by side with those of man and of a chimpanzee I should no longer doubt. I would ask any common-sense person to go to Blackpool into the monkey-house in the Tower; there you can see the skeletons and the living chimpanzee. Look at the length of its arms and compare them with your own; its legs are short, nothing like the legs of a man. Man is an upright being; the monkey goes on all fours. I say again that it is monstrous to assert that man has descended from a monkey. I acknowledge that my mind is not as bright and as sharp as it might be; I acknowledge that I read carelessly, but I believe in the Scripture teaching. I do not dispute about the books and the museums; but of what creed were a number of the writers? J. I. HARGREAVES.

[We have deleted a number of passages—most of them quotations from the Bible—from Mr. Hargreaves' letter. Correspondents must remember that CAGE BIRDS is a journal dealing with birds and bird-keeping; under no circumstances whatever can we allow discussion in its columns upon such matters as the finality of, or the interpretation to be placed upon, the Biblical word, and whether the "is, or is not, a God. Further, in our humble opinion such questions need not arise out of a consideration of "Did Birds Originate from Reptiles?" Is it not a fact that most of the men of letters and notable thinkers of our day, including high dignitaries of the Church, accept the evidence for evolution, and see in it nothing inconsistent with Biblical teaching? Wallace—co-worker with Darwin and equally distinguished as a scientist—maintained that even if the ape and man had in the remote past a common ancestor, it required a creative act to change an ape into a man; proof, this, that he saw that evolution could not displace the conception of a Deity.—Editor, "C.B."]

Judging Norwich Plainheads to the Standard.

SIR,—I am a lover of the Norwich Plainhead, and my ambition is to breed a typical bird as near the Norwich Plainhead Club's standard as possible. I have been to various shows to see, if possible, birds as near the ideal as their owners can get them. Some of the winning birds were beautifully ideal. Others were just big, ugly creatures with no pretensions whatever to be called Norwich Plainheads; still, they were placed in front of more typical birds. Now what I want to know is, what stamp of a bird is a novice to go for? If he breeds big birds he's wrong, and if he goes in for type he's wrong again—according to the differences of opinion of the various judges. If the Norwich Plainhead clubs have created a standard, why aren't the birds judged by that standard, and not allow personal likes and dislikes to influence? I think that club committees when appointing judges should make it a stipulation that the birds staged must be judged according to the standard, and not according to the judge's individual fancy. When the show season comes round and you receive your schedules from the various secretaries, you've got to first of all see who is the judge and place birds before him that he likes, or otherwise you throw your money away, besides getting no satisfaction for your efforts. The reason I write this is because I went to the Openshaw and Gorton show on July 18th, and there saw what the judge had placed as being the best birds in show. I think if someone had coloured a pigeon yellow and placed it in a cage, it would have had a dozen special labels

on it. I trust that some abler pen than mine will take this matter up, as I think it is a very important one indeed, concerning, as it does, such a large percentage of the Fancy today.

NORWICH STANDARD.

What's Wrong with Rugby's F. and F. Society?

SIR,—It is with much regret I have to inform you that owing to insufficient entries all bird classes at our young stock show (July 15) had to be cancelled. It must be very disheartening to have to cancel after the committee has been to such a large expense. No stones had been left unturned towards making the show a success; the exhibitors had been studied in every way possible, but yet they could not be tempted to show. There were eleven classes, and only eight birds entered all told. Surely it cannot be said that the prize money was too small, 8s., 4s. and 2s. for a 1s. entry, besides specials. This is equal to the greater number of shows, and for a town like Rugby, which runs two societies, the support given does not look very encouraging for the future. Unless the cage bird members take up the question seriously and make a bold move, and show some united effort to bring about a much-needed change, I feel bound to say that classes will have to be excluded at our next show, although the committee are by no means daunted. They will go into the fray with more vigour and zeal than ever for the Oct. show, when we hope that the fanciers will give us a bumping entry and help us out of the difficulty. Has any member new ideas to bring forward?

CHAS. H. WEBB.

Prizes for New Varieties.

A Suggestion for a New Crest.

SIR,—As an old fancier—too old for experimental breeding now—I have been interested in your idea of "Prizes for new varieties." In Mules or Hybrids this might be to any extent, if encouraged, the obstacle being that our judges will recognise nothing but "British" Hybrids or British Bird and Canary Mules. Why is there no interest in foreign birds (or semi-foreign) Hybrids; or why should all noticed Hybrids be Finch Hybrids of sorts? But I am more interested in new varieties of Canaries, and would like to suggest one new variety that I think could be accomplished with a fixed starting-point. Many of us must remember the really beautiful "clear body, dark crests" that used to be shown before crests were developed into monstrosities (pray, Mr. Editor, protect me from the Crest men!). Could not the opposite of this be accomplished?—the "dark body, clear crest." It seems to me that a careful crossing of Lizards with green or heavily-marked Crests should lead that way, though of course it would take a few seasons' breeding to get anywhere near perfection. Anyway, I present the idea to younger fanciers, and as I do not want to enter into a "personal" correspondence, will sign myself

WAS.

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LYSAGHTS.

Show held July 18, YORKS: 1, sp. Spicer; 2, Howse; 3, vhc. Hughes; vhc. he, M. A. Hill. MILES: 1, Howse; 2, Hilscock; 3, Greenhalgh; vhc. Hill. BRIT.: 1, 3, vhc. Howse; 2, Hill. FOR.: 1, Gallear; 2, Roy-ter; 3, Anderson; vhc. Bridgewater.

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.

Second P.F. show, July 18, Fountain Inn. Entries were rather better than last show, but still only small. Mr. J. A. Taylor (Fringinghall) judged, and seemed to give satisfaction. CLASS 1: 1, 2, Sparks; 3, Stebbings; 4, Wilcock; vhc. Shonett; he, Close. CLASS 2: 1, vhc. Sparks; 2, 3, Stebbings; 4, Pearson; he, Wilcock; c. Close. CLASS 3: 1, Simonett. CLASS 4: 1, 4, vhc. Pearson; 2, Simonett; 3, Stebbings; he, Close. CLASS 5: 1, 3, Airton; 2, Pearson. CLASS 6: 1, Airton. CLASS 7: 1, Simonett; 2, Airton.—Sam Wilcock, Sec.

TONG C.B.S.

Show held July 18, Haul and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill, 58 birds were very well judged by Mr. J. Bailey, of Bradford. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, Padgett; 2, 3, C. Casey; 4, Gledhill. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Hodgson, sen.; 2, 4, Padgett. MKD. YELL. (5): 1, Padgett; 2, 4, Hodgson, sen.; 3, Gledhill. BUFF (8): 1, Gledhill; 2, 4, C. Casey; 3, Padgett. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Wardman; 3, Wright; 4, Russell. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Holt Bros.; 2, Naylor; 4, Jewett and Robertson. MKD. YELL. (6): 1, Aspin Bros.; 2, Wardman; 3, Naylor; 4, Holt Bros. BUFF (6): 1, Naylor; 2, Aspin Bros.; 3, Wright; 4, Helliwell and Jackson.—W. Walker, Sec.

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Second members' P.F. show July 18, Blue Bell Hotel. Entries totaled 48 Yorks, and some grand youngsters were shown, which will no doubt do more winning after the moult. Mr. H. Pretwell won Novice Silver Cup with an extra good yellow. Other sp. winners were E. W. Goodwin, best bird; J. W. Ellis, most points novice. Mr. T. Mountain judged and gave full satisfaction. Points up to date are: Nov.: Pretwell 44, Ellis 26, Baxter 26, A. Spencer 21, Booth 17. Champ.: Goodwin 53, Mason 21, Halliday 20, Garnett 15, Shepherd 5. CL. YELL.: 1, 3, Pretwell; 2, Baxter; 4, Burgess; vhc. Boocock; he, Booth; c. Ellis. BUFF: 1, Goodwin; 2, Pretwell; 3, C. Ellis; 4, Baxter; vhc. he, Booth. TKD. YELL.: 1, Ellis; 2, A. Spencer; 3, Pretwell; 4, H. Spencer. BUFF: 1, 2, Ellis; 3, Boocock; 4, Pretwell; vhc. Goodwin. GR. MKD. YELL.: 1, Goodwin; 2, Pretwell; 3, Garnett; 4, he, A. Spencer; vhc. Booth. BUFF: 1, vhc. Goodwin; 2, Baxter; 3, Garnett; 4, Boocock; he, Baxter; c. A. Spencer.—Taylor and Ellis.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Second members' show July 18, Flying Dutchman Hotel, Mr. P. Mason judged the 72 birds staged, and gave satisfaction to all. Sp. for most points resulted in a tie between W. Helliwell (open Yorks) and W. H. Sykes (nov. Yorks), 33 points each. OPEN YORKS CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 3, 4, Helliwell; 2, Horsfield; vhc. he, Smith; c. Farrar. BUFF (2): 1, Helliwell; 2, Horsfield. GR. (7): 1, Smith; 2, 4, vhc. Horsfield; 3, Helliwell; he, Morement; c. Farrar. CINN. (5): 1, 3, 4, Helliwell; 2, Morement; vhc. Farrar. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Sykes; 3, c. Bowes; 4, vhc. Bolton and Lunn; he, Simonett. BUFF (7): 1, c. Wood; 2, vhc. he, Bolton and Lunn; 3, 4, Sykes. GR. (7): 1, 4, Wood; 2, 3, Sykes; vhc. Simonett; he, c. Copland. CINN. (3): 1, 2, Wood; 3, Bolton and Lunn. OPEN NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, Plowright; 2, 3, 4, Roe; vhc. he, c. Airton. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Plowright; 3, Airton; 4, Farrar. A.O.V. (4): 1, 3, Roe; 2, Plowright; 4, Farrar. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (2): 1, Kaberry; 2, Jenkinson. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Kaberry; 3, 4, Lythell; vhc. he, Jenkinson. A.O.V. (3): 1, Kaberry; 2, 3, Simonett.—W. Helliwell, Sec.

BUGLE F.A.

Second annual show, July 15, in good weather, and we think the gate was a record one, Norwich came up well, the winning buff being a gem. Young stock classes were good, and the team shown by Mr. Andrew were splendid specimens and are certain with a good moult to be heard of again. Yorks were not so strong, but the young birds shown by Mr. Boudry are champions, and will do the breeder some good. Mules and British were not over strong. Mr. A. L. Pearce, who took up the secretarial duties again this year, appears to be making good headway, and ably carried out his duties, well supported by a good chairman and committee of good fanciers. The secretary sent back 50 late entries. It would be a good thing if all secretaries would do this, then we should not hear the old story about short entries. Mr. T. J. Ambrose judged, and his awards were well received.

NOR. YELL. CL. OR TKD. (9): 1, Hill, cl., Redruth winner, in grand form, easy win; 2, 3, res. vhc. Andrew, cl., good cond., nice head and neck, good col., 3rd cl., better col. than 2nd, good head and neck; he, c. Stephens and Gaved. BUFF (9) 1, sp. Collins, Halye winner, grand type and qual, lovely wings and tail, good col.; 2, res. c. Andrew, good head and neck, well carried wings, good col.; 3, vhc. he, Stephens and Gaved, good body, back and wings, tails only in head. YELL. CL. TKD., 1914 (9): 1, Uren, mkl. head and wing, Hayle winner, good col.; 2, vhc. Stephens and Gaved, variege, good type and qual, nice wings and tail; 3, res. he, c. Andrew, cl., nice col. and qual, we preferred res. BUFF (5): 1, sp. 2, Andrew, wing and neck mkl., grand type and qual, good col., 2nd cl., nice type and qual, good wings and tail; 3, Hill, variege, grand type and qual, lovely wings and tail. YORKS. YELL. CL. OR TKD. (7): 1, sp. Julian, cinn., mkl. head, good legs, nicely braced wings, good col.; 2, he, Allen, cl., well up on legs, lovely back and wings, close up; 3, vhc. Boudry, cl., well braced wings, nice tail and col.; res. Andrew, nice head, good wings and tail; c. Stephens and Gaved. BUFF (7): 1, he, Allen, cl., lovely back, good wings and tail, stands like a guard-sour; 2, 3, Boudry, nice piped tail, well carried wings, well up on leg, 3rd neat head, neck and back, good cond.; res. Andrew. YELL. CL. OR TKD., 1914 (6): 1, sp. 3, Boudry, cl., gem, grand back, wings and tail, good round skull, 3rd variegated, good skull, nice back, well drawn; 2, res. Thomas, clear, nice size, well carried wings, good tail; vhc. Julian; he, Allen. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Boudry, cl., well up on leg, well braced wings, nice piped tail; 2nd, variege, good type, nice skull, grand couple; 3, Stephens and Gaved, mkl. head and wing, nice wings and tail; res. vhc. Allen; he, Thomas; c. Julian. A.O.V. (4): 1, sp. 2, Collins, buff cinn., grand type and qual, lovely col.; 2nd red head cinn. yell., nicely mkl., good type; 3, res. Ketyneck, var. C.B., good skull, well lashed, nice feather. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, sp. 2, 3, res. Collins, dark yell. Gddie, grand size and col., good blaze, 2nd Goldf.

Greenf., grand size, well mkl. wings, 3rd cl. Goldf., nice size, moulting, which put him back; vhc. he, Stephens and Gaved. GOLDF. (6): 1, sp. 3, Stephens and Gaved, good undercut, well mkl. wings, good buttons, feathers gone on head; 2, Found, grand bird, lovely blaze, good undercut, good moons and buttons, we liked for 1st; res. he, Lobb; c. Nicholls. BILLE. (1): Rowe and Richards, grand cap, good chest. LARGE BRIT. (5): 1, sp. 2, res. vhc. Stephens and Gaved, Waxwing, nicely mkl. wings, good col., 2nd Chough, and Hawthorn, good head, col., nicely mkl.; he, Collins. SMALL. (6): 1, 2, Rowe and Richards, Yellow Bunting, good col., nicely mkl., 2nd Girl Bunting, well mkl. head, good cond.; 3, Stephens and Gaved, Lesser Redpoll, good bib; res. vhc. he, Collins. FOR. (3): 1, sp. 2, 3, Stephens and Gaved, Weaver, Peach-face Lovebird, and Diamond Finch, all in good condition. LOCAL—CAN. (6): 1, sp. Sanderoock, tkd. wing yell. Yorks., good head, back, and wings, nice tail; 2, he, Combe cl. buff good head nice back, wings, and tail; 3, vhc. Sanders, cl. yell. Yorks., nice wings and tail, well up on leg; res. Lucas.

KEIGHLEY C.B.S.

Show July 18, Hare and Hounds Hotel; 74 birds faced the judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill (Bradford), whose awards were received with general satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, J. Middleton; 2, E. Middleton; 3, Fawcett; vhc. Slater; he, Crowther; c. Sowley. BUFF: 1, Trivenar; 2, Mitchell; 3, Middleton; vhc. Nelmes; he, Slater; c. Leach. UNEVEN, ETC.: 1, vhc. J. Middleton; 2, Leach; 3, Crowther; he, Seafie; c. E. Middleton. A.O.V.: 1, vhc. J. Middleton; 2, Seafie; 3, Trivenar; he, Asquith; c. Leach. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Moore; 3, vhc. Harrison; he, Smith. BUFF: 1, 2, Moore; 3, Harding; vhc. he, Harrison; c. Farrar. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Moore; 3, Harrison; vhc. he, Smith; c. Harding.—G. W. Town, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Second P.F. show, July 18, headquarters; 49 birds were staged. Mr. S. Binns (Cleckheaton) judged. YORKS CL. YELL. (5): 1, sp. best bird in show, Cawtheray and Son; 2, Sykes; 3, Ellis; vhc. S. and A. Badley; he, Beaumont. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Whitehead; 3, Sykes; vhc. Rhodes; he, Buttle and Copland; c. S. and A. Badley. TKD. OR VARIEG. YELL. (8): 1, Cawtheray and Son; 2, S. and A. Badley; 3, Leigh; vhc. he, Sykes; c. Buttle and Copland. BUFF (14): 1, 2, Skinn; 2, S. and A. Badley; vhc. Morris; he, Buttle and Copland; c. Beaumont. CIN. TKD. ETC. YELL. (6): 1, Ellis; 2, Cawtheray and Son; 3, he, Rhodes; vhc. Morris; c. W. Sykes. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, Rhodes. NOV. YELL. (4): 1, Sharp; 2, Morris; 3, vhc. Earshaw. BUFF (2): 1, 2, Cawtheray and Son.—A. Lawford, Sec.

BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.

Summer show, headquarters, July 18; about 60 birds being staged. Competition in the challenge bowl class was very keen, some fine youngsters being staged, and quality all round was excellent. Mr. C. H. Walton (Leicester) judged, and his awards were well received. NOR. CHALLENGE BOWL: 1, 3, Draper; 2, he, Crouch; 4, Ford; vhc. Elliott; c. England. CL. YELL.: 1, 3, Crouch; 2, c. Elliott; vhc. Ford; he, Mason. BUFF: 1, 2, England; 3, Ford; vhc. Draper; he, Hathaway; c. Mason. TKD. ETC. YELL.: 3, Draper; 2, Ford; 3, Elliott; vhc. Smith; he, Mason; c. Hathaway. BUFF: 1, Draper; 2, England; 3, Hathaway; vhc. Wood; he, Mason; c. Emery. HEAVY, VARIEG. OR GR. 1, vhc. Mason; 2, Draper; 3, Hathaway; he, Lee; c. Emery. NOV. YELL.: 1, Freer; 2, Bond. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Bond. BRIT.: 1, 2, Freer. FOR.: 1, 2, Freer. HENS: 1, Elliott; 2, vhc. Ford; 3, England; he, Hathaway; c. Lee. A. Wood, Hon. Sec.

READING C.B.S.

Y.B. show, Lodge Room, Palmer Hall, July 15. Entries were not quite so numerous as last year, the falling-off being in Crests and Champion Nor., and everyone missed Mr. Aclon's famous foreign. No doubt the champion members are holding theirs back till November show. Sec. O. C. Smith put a bird in each Norwich class, and had the honour of winning sp. for best champion bird, a nice yellow that should moult out a good one, as also should Mr. P. H. Chalkers' yell. Yorks, a beautiful bird for a novice. Entries totaled 62. Mr. T. Yates judged to everyone's satisfaction. CHAMP. YELL. NOR.: 1, sp. best champ. bird, O. C. Smith. BUFF: 1, O. C. Smith. YORKS YELL.: 1, vhc. he, Goldsmith; 2, 3, Giles. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, 3, Meadowcroft. MULES, 1914 BRED: 1, sp. Colburn, Goldf.-Can.; 2, 3, O. C. Smith, Linnet-Canaries. GOLDF. (1), sp. best Brit., Chubb; 2, O. C. Smith; 3, Pyke; vhc. Giles. BULF.: 1, Giles. LINNET: 1, Chubb. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, Giles; 3, Eggleton. AMAT. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, vhc. sp. best amat., Larkoon; 2, Smith; he, Colburn; c. Amner. BUFF: 1, Larkoon; 2, vhc. Frewin; 3, Smith; he, c. Emmer. YORKS YELL.: 1, Miss Philcox. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, c. sp. best novice, Emmer. 2, Mrs. Wright; 3, Munday; vhc. O. C. Smith; he, E. J. Smith. BUFF: 1, c. Rout; 2, O. C. Smith; 3, Colburn; vhc. he, Emmer. YORKS YELL.: 1, 2, Chalker; 3, Chubb. BUFF: 1, Chubb; 3, Chalker; vhc. Mrs. Wright.—O. C. Smith, Sec.

WOLVERHAMPTON C.B.S.

Eight annual N.F. show, July 18, Duke of York, an excellent room. Entries were down through poor breeding and birds dropping into moult, but Norwich made a capital section, Yorks, and British were only small. Mr. W. Harrison, the new sec., was early at his post, and will soon prove his worth, being well supported by a good lot of stewards in Messrs. Hepworth, Loach, Hampton, Cradell, and Gibbons. Special best bird was won by J. Gibbons with a grand even cinn. wing mkl. yellow Yorks., a bird which with a little more length would make a stunner; sp. 2nd best, F. J. Weaver, clear buff Norwich; special for most entries, J. Gibbons, who staged six youngsters out of one nest. Bound volume of "Cage Birds," given by J. Gibbons, for most points was won by Mr. W. Harrison. Mr. W. G. Andrews judged Yorks, and Brit., and Mr. S. N. Taylor, Nor., and gave every satisfaction. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Loach; 2, 4, Hampton; 3, Harrison; vhc. Garfield; c. Robinson. BUFF: 1, sp. Weaver; 2, Gibbons; 3, he, Garfield; 4, Robinson; he, c. Loach. UNEVEN YELL.: 1, Bondall; 2, Weaver; 3, Loach. BUFF: 1, 2, Loach; 3, Rowley; 4, Weaver. VABIG. OR GR. YELL.: 1, Weaver. BUFF: 1, Robinson; 2, Bowley. YORKS CL. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Gibbons. BUFF: 1, 3, Gibbons; 2, Trusselle. UNEVEN YELLOW: 1, sp., best bird, Gibbons. VABEGATED GR.: 1, Gibbons; 2, 3, Trusselle. A.O.V. CANN.: 1, Weaver. MITE: 1, Hepworth. GOLDF. OR BULF.: 1, Weaver; 2, Bondall; 3, Harrison. GREENE: 1, Rowley; RED. POLL. ETC.: 1, Rowley; 2, Harrison. A.O.B.: 1, Harrison; 2, Hepworth. FOR.: 1, Harrison. NOV. BRIT.: 1, Hepworth.—J. Gibbons, Press Correspondent.

GLASGOW (West End) C.B.C.

Meeting and 11th annual show of young birds, July 11, Co-op. Hall, St. Georges' Cross. Entries were not so numerous as on former years owing to the very bad breeding season, but want of quantity was made up in quality, some splendid birds being forward. Mr. R. Jeffrey, Pollock-shields, judged, and gave every satisfaction. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, spl. best bird, and spl. Henderson; 2, G. Robertson. BUFF: 1, Henderson. BUFF VARIEG.: 1, Campbell. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 3, Cairnbell; 2, Robertson; 4, 5, Sellars. BUFF: 1, Robertson; 2, spl., 3, Sellar; 4, Mitchell; 5, 6, 7, Lunn. YELL. VAL.: 1, spl., Campbell; 2, Sellar; 3, 4, 5, Robertson; 6, Lunn. BUFF: 1, Campbell. SELF OR FOUL MKD. GR. OR CINN.: 1, 7, Sellar; 2, 4, 5, 6, Lunn; 3, spl., Robertson. DK. MULE: 1, 4, Mitchell; 2, 3, Henderson.—W. S. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Fourth annual N.F. show, headquarters, July 18. Owing to a poor breeding season the fixture had been postponed from June 29, and the excellent display of young birds proved that the committee acted wisely in altering the date. Entries were not so large as usual, but quality compared very favourably with previous fixtures. Nor. classes were well filled, some very promising youngsters being staged. Yorks were not so numerous, but of excellent type and quality. British as usual were quite an attraction. Mr. W. Bowyer, Leek, judged. NOR. YELL.: 1, Leese; 2, Fox; 3, Roberts. BUFF: 1, 3, Leese; 2, vhc. Ousman; he, Bagshaw; c. Glover. YELL. MKD.: 1, Bagshaw; 2, Glover; 3, Roberts; vhc. Fox. BUFF: 1, Bagshaw; 2, Fox; 3, Ousman. YORKS YELL.: 1, 2, Alcock; 3, he, Lawton; vhc. Walton. BUFF: 1, vhc. Alcock; 2, 3, c. Lawton; he, Walton. YELL. MKD.: 1, Alcock. BUFF: 1, Lawton. MULE: 1, Davis. GOLDF.: 1, Pitchford; 2, 3, Davis; vhc. Hartley; he, Ousman. LINNET: 1, 2, Davis; 3, he, Pitchford; vhc. Poulks; c. Hartley. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Hartley; 2, Davis; 3, Poulks. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Poulks. NOR. ADULT: 1, Fox; 2, Pitchford; 3, vhc. Bagshaw. YORKS: 1, Pitchford; 2, Lawton; 3, Pitchford, hon. rec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B. Y.B. show at new headquarters, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., July 18; 49 exhibits were on view, of which 44 were 1914 Canaries. Norwich were fairly good in entries, and of good quality, both in champion and novice. Crests were not quite so good. Nov. Yorks made a record show of 19. The house being so central, the show was well patronised. Names were given in for nomination: Mr. W. Ward, Mrs. F. Harrison, Misses F. Cullers and M. Cullers; these will come up at our next meeting, which, owing to the holidays, will not be held until Aug. 17. Mr. F. Easterling judged and gave great satisfaction. CHAMP. NOR. CL. (5): 1, Shakespeare; 2, 3, vhc. he, Bell. TKD. OR VAR. (5): 1, 2, vhc. he, Bell; 3, Shakespeare. CREST (4): 1, sp. 2, 3, vhc. Pretty. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Shakespeare. NOV. NOR. CL. (3): 1, 2, Cullers; 3, Harrison. TKD. OR VAR. (4): 1, 3, Cullers; 2, vhc. Harrison. YORKS CL. (10): 1, 2, 3, he, two sps. Gilbert; vhc. sp. Durham; c. Green. TKD. OR VAR. (9): 1, 2, Durham; 3, vhc. he, c. Green. CREST (2): 1, two sps. Cullers. GREENE: 1, Gilbert. LINNET: 1, sp. Green. Mr. H. Bell is the final winner of the Cathcart Cup.—W. Gilbert.

HALIFAX O.S.

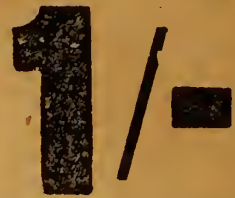
Second N.F. show July 18, Plummet Line Hotel. The 60 entries were judged by Mr. H. Mallinson (Huddersfield), whose awards gave every satisfaction. In champions Messrs. Burdekin Bros. and Mr. D. A. Macpherson tied for special with 15 points each; also for special for most points in both shows. In novices Mr. M. I. Sharp wins with 11 points. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS (13): 1, 3, Lloyd; 2, vhc. Sharp; he, Gelder; c. W. Horsman. BUFF (9): 1, Townsend; 2, 3, he, Burdekin Bros.; vhc. Gelder; c. Wilkinson. EVEN, ETC., YELL. YORKS (3): 1, W. Horsman; 2, Crossley; 3, Dunn. BUFF (6): 1, Townsend; 2, Wilkinson; 3, F. Horsman; vhc. W. Horsman; he, Woodhead; c. Lamb. DK. (7): 1, he, Burdekin Bros.; 2, Sladdin; 3, F. Horsman; vhc. Dunn; c. Hohoyd. GR. YELL. SELF OR FOUL (4): 1, Woodhead; 2, Sharp; 3, Scrutton; vhc. Woodhead. BUFF (3): 1, Sladdin; 2, Sharp; 3, Scrutton. CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR. (4): 1, 3, Lord; 2, 4, Corney. BUFF (4): 1, 2, vhc. Corney; 3, Lord. MKD.: Corney. BRIT. (6): 1, 2, 3, he, c. Macpherson; vhc. Dunn.—J. Burdekin, Assis. Sec.

Y.C. AND C.B.S. OF IRELAND.

Xth annual P.F. show, The Mills' Hall, Merrion Row, Dublin, July 15. The hall is an ideal one, having good light overhead and free from draughts, and well situated. Entries were well up on last year, and far better than was anticipated considering the bad season which nearly everyone complained of. The birds were well up to the standard. Keogh won "The Rowan" cup with a very nice tkd. buff cock, while Steward ran up very closely with a good tkd. yell. cock. Dowling won the Hawkins cup outright with a very nice tkd. buff hen, and Wheatly was runner-up with a buff hen. The hon. secretary, Mr. Lattimore, had everything in first-rate order, well assisted by Mr. Dowling, the chairman, and the committee. Mr. Giller judged Canaries, and Mr. Sholeddie Mule and British, and their awards were received with satisfaction. YELL. CL.: 1, sp. c. Sholeddie, nice one, well up on legs, well cut, good style, shoulters, and wings; 2, Dowling; 3, 4, c. Wheatly; vhc. Keogh. HEN: 1, sp. 3, Sholeddie, nice neat lady, typical Yorks., good head, shoulders, and nice pos.; 2, Dowling; vhc. Keogh. BUFF CK.: 1, spl. c. McNally, nice head, feather, pos., fine qual., good size; 2, Steward; 3, Began; vhc. Keogh; he, c. Wheatly. HEN: 1, spl. and runner-up for Hawkins cup, Wheatly, good shoulders, head, and wings, well up on leg, well placed; 2, Holly; 3, Keogh; vhc. he, c. Brien-shaw. TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, sp. runner up for Rowan's cup, he, Steward, nice one, tkd. neck and wing, good size and pos., wins easily; 2, Holly; 3, Began; vhc. Keogh; he, c. Sholeddie. HEN: None shown. TKD. BUFF CK.: 1, spl. Rowan's cup, Keogh, a real good one, stands like a soldier, good wings, head, and neck, well up on legs, wins easily; 2, 3, Wheatly; vhc. Byrne; he, Began; c. Sholeddie. HEN: 1, spl. Hawkins cup, Dowling, real good stylish lady, good head, neck and wings, nice pos., well up on legs, will be heard of later on; 2, McNally; 3, Steward; vhc. Whitty; he, Power; c. Sholeddie. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, spl. Waters, 1st a good type chubby, good subs., good large head. MULES: 1, spl. 3, Farrell, stylish, Goldf.-Can., showing both parents well; 2, McDonnell. F.M. GOLDF.: 1, spl. Dowling, nice bird, large square blaze, good mat brown breast, nicely luted and jet black; 2, Bodkin. F.M. LINNET: 1, spl. 3, Dowling, very good markings, well pencilled, good brown, in fine condition; 2, Waters.

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ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Second N.F. show July 11, Mall Coach Inn. Entries were back from the first show, but quality was very good. Mr. Brotherton won most points in Yorks and the "Smallholder" sp. for best bird. Mr. Bagnell got most points in Norwich and Mr. Allott in British. Mr. F. Gregory (Siedle) judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

CLASSES 1 and 2 (AMALG.) 1, 2, 3, vhc. Brotherton; 4, he. Bagnell. TKD. OR MKD. BUFF YORKS: 1, 2, 3, 4, sp. Brotherton. OLD YORKS: 1, 3, Brotherton; 2, Bagnell. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Taylor; 4, vhc. Wall; 3, Webster. BUFF: 1, Bagnell; 2, Wall; 3, 4, Griffiths. TKD. OR MKD. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Bagnell; 4, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Bagnell; 2, Taylor; 3, Webster; 4, Griffiths. YELL. NOR. (OLD): 1, Bagnell; 2, Webster; 3, Griffiths; 4, Taylor. BUFF: 1, Webster; 2, Bagnell. CLASSES 18, 19, 21 (AMALG.): 1, 3, Allott; 2, Brotherton; 1, Bagnell. LINNET: 1, Wall; 2, Brotherton; 3, Allott-Taylor and Bailey, Sec.

IRVINE C.B.S.

First N.F. show July 18, Masonic Hall, Bank St., Irvine, an ideal hall for a show. We anticipated a small turn-out of young birds owing to the breeding season having been so generally bad, but had quite a pleasant surprise in receiving no less than 52 entries, the better classes being well filled with birds of markedly good quality. It is most encouraging that each successive show is a most satisfactory event. This is largely due to the able guidance of our president, and the keen and intelligent co-operation of a first-rate committee. Mr. Robert Jeffrey (Glasgow), assisted by Mr. J. R. Steel (Glasgow) judged, and his awards were received with general satisfaction. In Norwich the principal prize-winner was M. McKean and W. Gavage.

BGRD. YELL.: 1, 2, Kilpatrick; 3, McKean; 4, Andrew. BUFF: 1, 4, Kroezen; 2, 3, Gartland; 5, Nairn; 6, Kilpatrick. VARIET. YELL.: 1, Harvey; 2, Kroezen; 3, Gartland. BUFF: 1, Kroezen; 2, Miller; 3, Niven. GR.: 1, 4, Ruzic; 2, 5, 6, Wilson; 3, Murray; 4, Miller; 5, 6, Conway. YORKS: 1, Andrew. MULE: 1, Jeffrey. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 5, McKean; 2, Cairney; 3, McColl; 4, J. Frey. GREENE, ETC.: 1, 2, Andrew. FOR.: 1, 2, Mullen. Most points, J. Rubie; most entries, M. McKean—H. M. Ferguson, Sec.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Annual Y.B. Show, July 14, Reinder Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham. Mr. J. Robson judged. Entries were a few below last year, but quality was good. Many of the birds promise to do well for their owners at the autumn shows. There was a good attendance of visitors, one making an application for membership (hope to receive many more). Many well-known fanciers and ladies were present. The birds were nicely arranged around the room as usual. Mr. Cant, the sec., had the business well in hand, supported by Messrs. Cole and Tomsett.

CHAMP. NOR., CL. OR TKD.: 1, 3, Cole; 2, Tomsett. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Cole; 4, Burton Bros.; vhc. e. Tomsett. YORKS. CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp, vhc. Fairman; 2, 3, 4, e. Clarke; he. Reeks. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, Reeks; 2, Fairman; 3, Clarke. BORD.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Burton Bros. NOV.: NOR., CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp, Draup; 2, Gardner; 3, vhc. Whiffin; he. Pratt. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, Gardner; 2, 3, 4, Whiffin; vhc. Draup; he. Pratt. YORKS. CL. OR TKD.: 1, 2, vhc. Gilbert; 3, he. Pratt; 4, e. Cant. MKD. OR VARIG.: 1, sp, 3, 1, he. Cant; 2, vhc. Pratt. CREST OR C.B.: 1, sp, Taylor; 2, 3, 4, Cant. Nov. Champ. Nor. F. Cole; Yorks. J. S. Fairman; Nov. Nor. H. Draup; Nov. Yorks. A. G. Cant; Nov. Bord., Burton Bros.; Crest and C.B., J. W. Taylor.—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec.

KIRKINTILLOCH C.B.G.

F.F. Show, July 11, Temperance Hall; one of the best young bird shows held in the West of Scotland this season. Entries were numerous, and some grand youngsters were staged. The hall is roomy, lofty, well lighted, and free from draughts. Quite a good number of fanciers from a distance, put in an appearance. Mr. Joe Dick makes an efficient sec., and carried out the arrangements in a very pleasing manner, ably assisted by Mr. Perrett and Mr. Chalmers. Mr. A. McFarlane, Glasgow, judged, and his decisions were on the whole satisfactory.

CREST: 1, 3, Chalmers, Gr., nice size, neat crest, good centre, good feather; 2, 4, 5, McClymont. C.B.: 1, 2, Chalmers, Green, good size and subs., good head, will improve; 3, 4, McClymont. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 6, Chalmers, cl., nice size and subs., trifle weak on head; 2, 4, 5, Marker; 3, Donald. BUFF: 1, 4, 5, Chalmers, good stamp, wins; 2, Mathieson. YELL. VAR.: 1, 3 sps, best in hall, 3, Martin, winner, nice stamp, good head and neck, nice type, and well balanced wings, a popular win; 2, 4, Donald; 5, Chalmers; 6, Dick. BUFF: 1, Mathieson, good stamp, likely to improve; 2, 3, 4, Martin; 5, Perrett; 6, Chalmers. CINN. OR GR.: 1, Martin, Yell. Gr., good exhibit, wins; 2, 4, Chalmers; 3, McClymont; 5, Perrett; 6, Donald. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Nairn, sweet one, wing nkd., good head and neck, well balanced wings, and neatly tapered, a clear win; 2, Nairn; 3, 5, 6, Reid; 4, Jamieson. BUFF: 1, 3, Nairn, 1st, who made a Yell.; 2, 4, 5, 6, Aitken Bros. VAR.: 1, 2, Aitken Bros., leader, Var. Yell., bit soft when we went round. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Aitken Bros., good quartette. GR.: 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, Aitken Bros.; 3, Nairn. BORD., A.O.V.: 1, 2, Aitken Bros., Cinn. nkd., nice taper, in good order; 3, 4, Nairn; 5, 6, Reid. MULES: 1, 2, 3, Hastings, good trio of Goldf. Can.; 4, 5, 6, Reid.

BIRKENHEAD.

Y.B. show July 18, Co-operative Hall. Between 70 and 80 birds faced Mr. C. Heulton, judge, and though not quite so many as last year, a fine show resulted. Yorks were of good quality, and Yorks Greens, too. A few good typical Nor. were shown, also a very good lot of British seeders. Most of the winners are fit for any competition. Mr. Secretary Morton did his work as it should be done, and all went smoothly. A fine yellow green Yorks won special for best novice bird (Simmons).

YORKS (CL. YELL. (5)), line lot, led by 1, 2, 3, Greatrix, 1st very large and clean through at present, looks like making a big stock bird later; vhc. Browne; he. Carran; e. Stott. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Greatrix, leader a typical beauty, stands like a soldier; 3, Browne; vhc. he. Stott; e. Adams. TKD. YELL. (5): 1, 2, 3, Greatrix, a very smart trio, leader a real beauty; vhc. he. Shaw; e. Stott. BUFF: 1, Stott, Cinn. varieg. line type and texture, bit broken in moult, smart pos.; 2, Morton; 3, Carran; vhc. Adams. GR. SELF YELL.: 1, Cooper, lovely level col., line type, good back, legs and dark markings, fine cond.; 2, Simmons, best nov. sp. winner, very smart; 3, vhc. Browne. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Benson, very strong in colour, 1st a big one, both good type, etc.; 3, Cooper; vhc. he. Browne; e. Simmons. FOUL BUFF: 1, Browne, very good, foul

tail, type and colour all there; 2, Simmons. NOH. CL. YELL.: 1, Cinn, line cobby bird, A1 head, col. and cond.; 2, 3, Stott. TKD. BUFF: 1, Cinn, best all round bird; 2, Phillips; 3, Barr. A.O.V.: 1, Stott; 2, Greatrix, both heavy vating, Yorks. GOLDF.: 1, Barr, best in blaze, tan and condition to-day; 2, Barker; 3, Walton. GREENE: 1, 2, 3, Barker, a good trio, 1st and 2nd best condition; vhc. Barr. LINNET: 1, Walton, grand cond.; 2, Stott; 3, Phillips. CHAFF, ETC.: 1, Carran, good Chaff-luch; 2, 3, Barker, Bramble and Chaff-luch. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Walton, grand siskin and a topping Lesser Redpoll; 3, Barker. MULE, ETC.: 1, Barker, one of the wild caught Lunet-Greenfinch hybrids, A1 cond.; 2, 3, vhc. Phillips. A.O. BRIT.: 1, he, Walton, very smart Bullfinch leading, in A1 trim; 2, 3, vhc. Barker.

BEAMISH C.B.S.

Y.B. show, Bird Inn, July 18. Entries did not come up very well, but some promising youngsters were staged. Owing to illness of the sec., Mr. H. Elliott, of Stanley, took his place, and he had a grand lot of fanciers to help him. Mr. W. Gawland is chairman of the society, and Messrs. G. Bates, S. Elliott, W. McNay, C. Davidson, and J. Turnbull, were stewards. 51 birds faced the judge, Mr. H. Seeley, Chopington, whose awards gave every satisfaction. During the day a number of old fanciers visited the show and we hear it was a big success.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Davidson, neilum size, nice head, fine feather; 2, Walker; 3, Gowland. BUFF: 1, Gowland, grand type, neat head, good feather; 2, Elliott; 3, McNay. OLD BIRD: 1, sp, Elliott, very big one, grand head and well kept wings; 2, McNay. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Davidson, lovely head, fine drawn wings and tail. BUFF: 1, Davidson, very nice one, good size, travels well. CREST: 1, Elliott, fine size, good crest, nice wings and tail, well staged; 2, Davidson. C.B.: 1, Elliott, good head and chest. BORD. YELL.: 1, Walker, sweet head and neck, good wings, lovely feather; 2, Elliott; 3, Turnbull. BUFF: 1, Turnbull, sweet head, good back, well kept wings; 2, McNay; 3, Elliott. GR.: 1, 2, Elliott, 1st a beauty, neat head and neck, well braided wings. CINN.: 1, 2, Bat, s leader a grand one, sweet head, nice shape, very good feather; 3, Elliott. BORD., C.D. BIRD, YELL.: 1, Bates, good head and neck, rare feather. BUFF: 1, Bates, good head, well staged. MULE: 1, 2, Peart, leader Goldf. Can., good blaze, grand feather and condition, teeming with colour; 2, Goldf. Greenf. LINNET, I.L.M.: 1, Bates, grand cap, lovely head, good col., well pencilled. F.M.: 1, Bates, nice brown col., good size, very steady. GOLDF.: 1, Gawland, grand blaze, good tan, good shape; 2, McNay. GREENE: 1, Peart, nice one, good size, plenty of col., well staged. REDPOLL: 1, McNay, Lesser, good head, nice bill, well laced, grand colour; 2, Davidson, Mealy. SISKIN OR TWITE: 1, Peart, Siskin, sweet head, nice bill, good lacing, fine bars. A.O. HARBILL: 1, Davidson, Bramble, good head, grand col. and cond., lovely chest, well spangled down thighs; 2, McNay. SOFTBILL: 1, Davidson, Song Thrush, good one, well spotted, very steady. FOR.: 1, Davidson, lovely pair Zebras.

LIVERPOOL B.B.A.

Meeting and night show, Oldham Hall, July 9, Mr. J. Abbot chair. One new member was nominated. While judging was taking place Mr. J. W. Metcalfe gave the members a few hints on moulting of birds, etc. A vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Metcalfe, and to Mr. W. Young and Mr. R. Brotherton for judging the birds. 95 birds were staged. British have been a feature of the N.F. shows, with an average of 50 British birds and Mules in all. Some excellent birds were shown. The Mule class had six entries, two hybrids, one light mule, one Siskin mule, and two dark Goldf. mules, any of which were likely to win. Mr. G. Barker showed some excellent birds, including the rare Cinnamon Skylark, which was greatly admired. A vote of thanks was accorded to the sec. for having up-to-date prize cards.

YORKS YELL. (1): 1, T. Greatrix; 2, vhc. Skilling; 3, Thos. Handley; he. Rogers; e. Hartley. BUFF (1): 1, 3, Skilling; 2, T. Handley; vhc. he. Plunkett; e. Greatrix. YELL. GR. (7): 1, Maxwell; 2, 3, Plunkett; vhc. he. Rogers; e. Skilling. BUFF (7): 1, 3, Maxwell; 2, Plunkett; vhc. Thos. Handley; he. Rogers; e. Skilling. NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Pierce; 2, vhc. Woods; 3, Maxwell. BUFF (4): 1, Plunkett; 2, 3, vhc. Woods. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, Mrs. Hartley 2, Metcalfe, wild caught Redpoll-Greenf.; 3, he. Lloyd; vhc. Robertshaw; e. Barker, wild caught Linnet-Greenf. GOLDF. (6): 1, vhc. Rothwell; 2, 3, e. Mrs. Hartley; he. Robertshaw. BELLE (4): 1, Rothwell; 2, 3, Mrs. Hartley; vhc. Robertshaw. LINNET (4): 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, vhc. Lloyd. GREENE (5): 1, G. Barker, a topper; 2, he. Mrs. Hartley; 3, vhc. Rothwell. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, e. Mrs. Hartley; vhc. he. Robertshaw. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (6): 1, Barker; 2, he. Lloyd; 3, vhc. Rothwell; e. Mrs. Hartley. A.O.V. (6): 1, 3, he. G. Barker; 2, Robertshaw; vhc. he. Lloyd. HEN (6): 1, Robertshaw; 2, vhc. he. Lloyd; 3, Barker; e. Robertshaw. Most points to date—Canaries: Plunkett, 54; Handley, 46; Maxwell, 37; Greatrix, 33. Brit. Champ.: Rothwell, 120; Lloyd, 100. Nov.: Hartley, 150; Robertshaw, 80.—J. Lloyd, Sec.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET AND PELTON FELL (Amalg.)

Second amalgamated show July 18, Station Hotel, Birtley, in a large room splendidly adapted for the purpose. About 50 birds faced the judge, and the majority being in first-class feather, they made a very nice display. Crests and C.B. were best in point of quality, Mr. R. S. Bewick staging a grand team. British were not very strong numerically, but for quality they would be hard to beat, very few of them not having held their own in the keenest open competition. A splendid list of officials work for the society, with Mr. T. Lindsay at the head of affairs. As a secretary he is quite ideal. The chairman is Mr. Wm. Davidson, that grand old British bird fancier, and others worthy of special mention are Messrs. Robinson, Ward, Wilford, and Sam Lindsay, jun. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. (5): 1, Robinson, nearly gr., nice body and col.; 2, 3, vhc. he. Lindsay, nice team. YORKS YELL. (1): 1, Ward, nice length, shape and col. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Ward, nice cl. leading, good length and style; 3, Walker; vhc. Robinson. BORD. YELL. (2): 1, Walker, wing mkd., nice shape; 2, Bewick. BUFF (1): 1, Robinson, cap mkd., really nice Bord., good col. and shape. CREST (3): 1, 2, 3, Bewick, good team, very neat shaped Crest leading; 2nd and 3rd bigger crests, but not so well finished as yet. C.B. (2): 1, 2, Bewick, grand ones, but leading, grand turnover. A.O.V. CAN. (2): 1, Walker, Cinn. Yorkie, lovely level col., nice shape and carriage; 2, Bewick, Lancashire copy, very neat. MULES (2): 1, Lindsay, nice Goldie Male, good size and col.; 2, Boyd, Siskin Male, nice col.—GOLDF., ETC. (2): 1, Davidson, good one all over, nice level col. blaze, good col. and tans; 2, Lindsay. GREENE (4): 1, Wilford,

lovely shape, good head, grand col. and cond.; 2, 3, Lindsay; vhc. no name. LINNET, I.L.M. (3): 1, Dawson, nice shape, lovely col. and pencilling; 2, 3, Davidson. F.M. (5): 1, 2, Boyd, leader excels in col. and pencilling; 3, Dawson; vhc. he. Wilford. HARBILL (4): 1, 2, Davidson, Hawfinch, leader grand one all over, well known winner; 3, vhc. Lindy. SOFTBILL (2): 1, 2, Davidson, well-known Waxwing leading, grand feather and cond. REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, Boyd, Lesser, lovely feather and cond.; 2, 3, Wilford; vhc. Dawson. BINTING (1): 1, Lindsay, Yellowhammer, nice size, shape and col.

OPENSNAW, GORTON C.B.S.

Second annual F.F. show, July 18, club rooms, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Opensnaw. Entries were larger than last year, and the judge, Mr. T. Harrison (Altrincham) commented upon the nice lot of Norwich. Eleven specials were competed for, and Mr. Chilton took four of these best bird, best Nor., with a lovely Norwich, most points, and best British. Mr. Dewar took sp. best bird bred by a novice and best Yorks bred by a novice. Mr. Green won sp. best Yorks bred by amateur. Mr. Richards best Nor. bred by nov., Mr. Newton best Bord., and Mr. Giles best Mule 1914; this bird was very near all white, and the cage was handled more than any.

AMAT. CL. ETC. YELL. YORKS: 1, 2, 3, Green, Ford; vhc. Gilbert. BUFF: 1, Green. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, e. Chilton; vhc. he. Green. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Chilton; 4, vhc. he. Green; e. Newton. NOV. ETC. YELL. YORKS: 1, 2, Dewar; 3, Wilkison. BUFF: 1, 2, Dewar; 3, 4, Beddall; vhc. Wilkison. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Richards; 3, vhc. Cain; 4, Giles. BUFF: 1, 3, Richards; 2, Cain; 4, vhc. Giles. YELL. BORD.: 1, 2, Johnson; 3, Newton. BUFF: 1, 3, Newton; 2, 4, Johnson. GR. BORD.: 1, Newton. 1914 MULE: 1, 2, 3, 4, Giles. BELLE: 1, Newton. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Washburne; 2, Johnson. GREENE, ETC.: 1, Chilton; 2, Newton; 3, Washburne.—A. W. Newton, Hon. Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Y.B. show July 18, Cwm Assembly Rooms. Nearly 50 birds were entered. Quality was good and competition very keen, Mr. Pritchard being at the front in the champion section with a line lot of Yorks, and Mr. Terrett did best among the novices. In Cl. or tkd. Yorks novice class, 14 entries, Mr. Terrett took all the prizes except the vhc. A few nice Yorks were also staged by Messrs. Russell, Parritt, Morris and Bibbings. In the champ. Nor. Mr. A. W. Hill showed a fine lot. Numbers were small in Nov. Nor., but few nice birds staged by Messrs. Prebort, Morton and Selby. Bord. were small in numbers, but some very gems were staged by Mr. Cooper, who won sp. for most points in Bordets. Other specials: Yorks, Pritchard; Nor., Morton; Mules and Brit., Mortimer. Mr. Henry Phillips, of Ebbw Vale, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. NOR. CHAMP.: 1, 2, 3, Mortimer. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc. he. Hill. CL. OR TKD. NOV.: 1, sp, 2, Morton; 3, Selby. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 3, Selby; 2, Morton; 4, vhc. he. Parritt. YORKS CL. OR TKD. CHAMP.: 1, e. Parritt; 2, 3, 4, vhc. he. Pritchard. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, sp, 4, vhc. e. Pritchard; 2, 3, he. Russell. CL. OR TKD. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, 4, he. e. Terrett; vhc. Bibbings. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 3, Bibbings; 2, Morris. BORD. CL. OR TKD.: 1, sp, 2, 3, Cooper. MKD. OR VAR.: 1, 2, 3, Cooper. YOUNG MULE: 1, sp, 2, 3, 4, vhc. Mortimer. GOLDF.: 1, Probert. LINNET: 1, Mortimer. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Mortimer.—H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL O.S.

Y.B. show, The Raglan, July 16, Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. 70 exhibits staged. A very good entry, the Nov. Nor. and Nov. Yorks being the largest classes. Lancs., Lizards and Bords. were represented, and there were some very nice Mules and foreigners. President Mr. Geo. Crabb received a very warm welcome on his return among us after his long illness. Several members do not seem quite clear as to what the society are doing in regard to the autumn show. The L. and P.O.S. are giving their support to Mr. Ramsden's Crystal Palace Show by offering their six silver cups and giving 40 money specials to be competed for by members only, and the prize money is guaranteed by Mr. Ramsden. It is hoped members will send in large entries so as to enable the specials to be won, as unless there are three competitors in each class where specials are offered, the specials are withdrawn. Those joining now are entitled to compete for all specials.

YORKS YELL. CHAMP.: 1, Fairman; 2, Salter; vhc. e. Clarke. BUFF: 1, 2, Clarke; vhc. Salter; he. Fairman. BORD.: 1, 2, Mrs. Salter; vhc. Newley; he. e. Shakespeare. A.O.V.: 1, Shakespeare; vhc. Crabb. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Taylor; vhc. Harris. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Harris; vhc. he. e. Taylor. NOV. YORKS YELL.: 1, he. Everett; 2, Pratt; 3, Huggins; vhc. Gilbert; e. Ward. BUFF: 1, Everett; 2, vhc. Ward; 3, he. e. Huggins. CRESTS: 1, vhc. Mr. Cullers. YOUNG MULES: 1, Mdm. Madewell. HARBILLS: 1, Mdm. Madewell; 2, Law; 3, Crabb. OLD MULES: 1, Law; 2, Crabb; vhc. he. Taylor; e. Crabb. FOR.: 1, vhc. Newley; 2, Mdm. Madewell; he. Mrs. Huggins. The L. and P.O.S. silver medals, Fairman, Harris, Mdm. Madewell, and Law. Bronze: Mrs. Salter, Harris, and Newley. Most points specials, Clarke, Harris, and Mdm. Madewell; second most points, Mrs. Salter, Everett and Taylor, Law.

Mr. Geo. Couzens (chairman), in presenting the medals and specials, said how pleased they all were in seeing Mr. Crabb amongst them after his long absence through illness, and he felt certain all our absent members and friends would endorse these feelings. He also remarked on the good entry and the fine quality of the birds, and on the very large attendance of visitors.—C. W. Law, Hon. Sec.

(Owing to an enormous number of reports of First Feather Shows again reaching us this week, several have had to be held over until our next issue.)

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Epworth (Yorks), Aug. 3. Judges, H. and A. Payne. 6 open cl. Nor. old. Nor 1914, Yorks old, Yorks 1914, Brit. For. 1 ca. Prizes 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close July 27 to W. E. Burrows, Epworth, Doncaster.

Llanrwst (Wales), Aug. 26. Judge, Mr. J. W. Metcalf. 8 cl. Brit. 2, Yorks 4, A.O.V. Can. 1, A.O.V. 1. Prizes 7s. 6d., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close July 31 to J. R. Chambers, Poplar Grove.

Howden-le-Wear (Durham), Aug. 8. Judge, Mr. C. A. House. 7 cl. Nor. 1, Yorks 1, Brit. 4, A.O.V. 1. Prizes 8s., 4s., 2s. Fee 1s. Ent. close Aug. 1 to W. Turnbull, Howden-le-Wear S.O., Co. Durham.

Club Reports.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Meeting held July 1, Mr. Holden presiding before a fair attendance. Messrs. Plunkett, Richardson, and Metcalfe elected members. Mr. E. McCoy's name has been omitted from the committee on membership cards, and the champion Yorks cup should read the "McCoy challenge cup"; numbers please note. Next meeting August 5 at 8, when arrangements will be made for the October show.

LEICESTER C.B.S.

Meeting at headquarters, July 15, Mr. Highton chair. Decided to hold our late N.F. show Aug. 12, instead of 15th, and to have three classes. Mr. Hille will judge. Mr. Hille gave a most interesting lecture on "Colour Feeding," from which we all gathered a few points. At the close he answered questions to everybody's satisfaction, and a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Hille.—J. Hardbottle.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting July 11, Mr. E. Allopp presided. Prize-money won at young bird show was paid. Resolved to hold a members' show Oct. 16, birds to be staged at 3.30, and to have 37 classes. Sec. was instructed to write judge elect re terms. Resolved to hold annual pair show Dec. 26. For the classification of open show, also other important business, I trust all members will attend, as we want their help in preparing schedule. I shall be pleased to supply with particulars any fancier who would care to join our society. L. Thomas, Sec., 48, Craddock Street.

CHOPWELL C.B.S.

Meeting Club Hall, July 18, Mr. M. Shapson chair, and a splendid turn-out of members. Schedule for annual show drawn up. Messrs. R. South and W. Marsh, of Blackhall Mill, elected members. Owing to pressure of business, our sec., Mr. W. Tomlinson, has been compelled to resign, and his duties have been taken over by Mr. W. H. Christer, but Mr. Tomlinson has agreed to stand as assist. sec. and treasurer. Decided to only hold members' show this year. Will all members and intending members try to attend our next meeting, Aug. 15? Subs. 2s. 6d.—W. H. Christer, Sec.

LONDON C.B.A.

General meeting, "El Vino," July 14. Mr. R. L. Crisp chair. Owing to absence of sec., assist. sec. Mr. Wallington ably filled his place. Several important matters in connection with the annual show were dealt with. Mr. Wallington presented the balance sheet of the young bird show, and was accorded a vote of thanks, with Mr. Cook for the management of same. Messrs. Fayer, Watcham, Eastling, Dewhurst, and Johnston gave their varied experiences during the breeding season, and it was apparent from their remarks that they have had a good season. A committee meeting was held, and letters from the Lancashire and Lizard F.A., and the British Roller Club were read. Vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.—Frederick Knight, Press Correspondent.

BURNLEY O.S.

Meeting headquarters, Star Inn, July 16, Mr. Spencer chair, and a good turn-up of members. The business was election of new secretary and chairman, owing to the resignation of Mr. Whittaker, who was pressed hard to reconsider his decision. Mr. T. Chadwick was elected sec., and Mr. H. Catlow chairman. We should like to see a few new members in our society, as there are plenty of fanciers outside, and it would be a great advantage to them. The sub. is only 4s. per year, and they would be made welcome. Next Sat. we are having a raffle, conducted by the well-known British exhibitor, Mr. J. Holden. We are expecting to visit Holme Chapel, and lectures will be given on wayside seeds and habits of British birds. We hope to have a good turn-up, as we are to have a treat. Meet at headquarters 2.15. Next meeting Aug. 12, when subs. are due. Members, turn up, as we are proposing a trip to the Palace Show.—T. Chadwick, Sec., 42, Shale Street, Burnley.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting July 18, Newmarket Hotel, Manchester. A fair number turned up, but considering the important business to be decided, it was on the whole disappointing to find such a moderate attendance. Mr. E. Fuller chair. Patronage granted to Sheffield for Lancashire and Lizards, and Liverpool for four classes of Lizards. Decided to have club show at Denton, Nov. 21, in connection with Denton members' show. A new departure will be made in regard to prize money, as Mr. Stansfield has guaranteed 4 Lanza lire and 4 Lizard cock classes, Messrs. J. E. Ollershaw and Rukin 2 Lizard hen classes, and Messrs. Fuller and Ridgard two Lanza-hire hen classes, 6s., 4s., 2s. will be paid, however small the entries, and it now rests with the members whether it will be a success or not. Mr. Stansfield, who is heart and soul in his scheme, will see to the staging, receiving, and packing of all exhibits. Entry fee 1c. Judge will be selected later. The classes at Liverpool are being guaranteed by Messrs. J. W. Metcalf, J. E. Ollershaw, and the L. and L.F.A. Mr. Bradley's scheme for providing a trophy value £10 10s. for Lizard Canaries was discussed. Mr. Bradley generously offering £5 towards the same. It is proposed that the competition cover a term of three years, the exhibitor gaining the most points in that time to be the winner outright. There is no doubt that the remaining cash required will be subscribed. The trophy will be put into competition this coming season, and it is to be hoped that all Lizard fanciers will give their hearty support. Unfortunately, Mr. Bradley was unable to attend, but it is hoped he will be present at the next meeting, to be held at the Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, on Saturday, Aug. 15, to complete the rules for governing the competition. Subs. are now due. Mr. Moorhey, Broadbottom, was confirmed a member, and Mr. Hamilton, Glosop, was proposed. Friend Teddy is having a wonderful time just now. He says he cannot stop them from breeding. Most folk have a job to start them. Members are reminded that the colour for show cages is now azure blue for both Golds and Silvers, the enamel sold under the name of Victory Brand to be used.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

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Country Rambles

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

Annual outing and ramble, July 15, when a party of over 50 members and friends, under the leadership of the hon. sec., Mr. W. L. Page, were conveyed by brakes to Rufus Stone, New Forest. After a splendid drive (about 12 miles), they did full justice to the excellent tea prepared for them by Miss Emery, of the "Sir Walter Tyrrell." The party then divided, some preferring to play cricket, others rambling through the Forest in search of bird life. Many who had never visited this part before expressed their delight at the grand scenery. The weather, which was dull at first, brightened up later, and at 8.30 a start was made for home, everyone voicing the wish that they could have stayed longer. Members congratulated the sec. on the excellent arrangements made for their comfort, and home was reached about 10.45 p.m., after a most enjoyable outing. W. L. Page, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON P.P. AND C.B.A.

Outing July 8; about 60 members and friends started in the style for a brake ride. Over the river at Redbridge and through beautiful forest scenery to Bartley, then on to Panitons Park (thrown open to us by the kindness of Capt. Sloume-Stanley). We were met at the entrance by Mr. Prett, who has charge of the poultry on the estate, and is a member of our association. He got together a team to play a cricket match with us. The match was very evenly contested, a feature being the fine display of Mr. A. H. Smith, who donned the white coat as umpire for the fanciers, the Norwich wicket-keeping was also good. The result had to be a draw as the sun was setting and there was hardly enough light to enable Mr. Horne to photograph the party. Another delightful drive and we were all too soon at home with nothing left but memories of a thoroughly enjoyable outing.—G. J. Slade, C.B. Sec.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Second ramble of the season, July 12, Derbyshire being the district selected. Unfortunately, owing to the unpromising aspect of the weather only a small number (20) turned up at the station. Nothing daunted, we took tickets for Dore and Totley as arranged, and we had no sooner put foot on the station platform than down came the rain. We had a wait at the station for about half an hour, and then it seemed to clear a bit. After a council of war it was decided that we should make the best of it, but the original route which was through woods and fields had to be given up, and we had to be satisfied by keeping to the roads. As it kept raining that fine rain which we know soon wets through, it was decided to make for the Cross Seythes, and there wait to see if there would be any improvement. After another half hour's wait we began to see signs of the clouds breaking, and the blue sky coming into view, and as it cleared we decided to proceed through by-lanes to Old Dore. The rain had now left off entirely and we saw no more of it. At Dore we made a halt for refreshments, and then proceeded on our journey, the prettiest part through the ramble. Taking a turn to the right we dropped into Rycroft Glen, and wended our way homeward midst the evening hymn of the birds, and the moths coming forth from their shady bowers; indeed a grand finale to a day that was anything but promising. Taking all into consideration we all had a most enjoyable time.—J. A. T. Woodhall, Press Corresp.

Singing Contests.

KNOTTINGLEY.

Time contest (five minutes) for Linnets, July 11, White Swan Hotel, with a good entry and some splendid singing: 1, Dyson, 102 sec.; 2, Rhodes, 56; 3, Bartley, 45.—J. W. Pearson, Sec.

Singing contest for Knottlingley Club members, July 25. Look out for big open singing contest, on Bank Holiday. Special prizes promised for time singing; make of note of this.

TYLDESLEY.

All England Linnet contest for time and quality, open to all, at Queen Hotel, Tylsdesley, Aug. 1. Prizes according to entries. Fee, 1s. per bird. Also members' contest, July 25, for time only, when we hope to see all our members bring their birds up for a trial; we are expecting to have a tea after contest, July 25.—F. Kennedy, Assist. Sec. (Advt.).

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Headquarters, Commercial Hotel, July 18. 23 birds sang for three good prizes: 1, Bath; 2, Wallis; 3, Plows. The singing was only of a moderate quality, most of the birds showing signs of the moult.—A. Tomlin, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, July 18; 22 birds entered for four minutes' time singing for three prizes: Morley, 1, 118; Wainwright, 2, 84; Brindley, 3, 63. July 19, 18 birds entered for three prizes: Morley, 1 and 2; Brindley, 3.—J. Brindley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, July 19. 17 sang for 3 prizes: 1, Johnson, musical box; 2, Hayes; 3, Wood. Judges, Sissons and Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing contest for Linnets, Skinner's Arms, Busingthorpe. We had a beautiful contest, July 19, when 19 best birds in Yorkshire competed for three good prizes: 1, Binns; 2, 3, shared, Binns and Ward. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and Dolton.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club quality Linnet singing, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds, July 18. Some very nice singing was heard: 1, Chippindale; 2, Wigfield; 3, Gilligan. Judges, Sellers and Lorrman. Playforth and Lorrman's match, which could put the best Linnet notes together with the whistle, caused much fun; no decision was given. July 19, 17 birds: 1, Chippindale; 2, 3, shared, Wigfield and Gilligan. Judges, Lorrman Bros. All correspondence, A. Lorrman, Sec., Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

A SCALY LEG (Dan).—You ought to have described the appearance of the leg as nearly as you could. Some birds naturally have coarser scales on the legs than others, and they also become coarse from age in some birds much earlier than in others. But your bird is not old enough to have very coarse legs from age yet, and having one leg quite smooth may point to something being wrong with the one that is so coarse. You may bathe the leg twice a week in a warm solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of the acid to a saucerful of warm water—for a few minutes each time, then dry, and gently rub on and between the scales a little sulphur ointment, finally wiping off all surplus grease to avoid the collection of dirt from the cage floor. Continue this for a month or so, and by the time the bird has moulted it will probably have trimmed off the undue coarseness itself, if nothing is seriously wrong.

GETTING A LATE BROOD (Fredk. Johnson).—Sorry, but I cannot hold out any hope of your succeeding in getting a brood of young this season. It is quite too late to start, and the moulting season is now getting so near that if you were to make the attempt and the birds went to nest, which is very doubtful, they would probably be overtaken by the moult before they had reared their brood, and in that case the young would almost certainly be deserted and left to die. You ought to have put the birds together about the beginning of April, or from then up to about the end of May. If the birds are fairly young and healthy, your best plan now is to keep them apart until next spring, and, if still in good health, and seemingly anxious to mate at that time, you may, if the weather seems settled and favourable, put them together at the end of March or any favourable time thereafter, which will give you plenty of time to get two or three broods from them next season. It would be impossible to enter into details of breeding in these replies, but you should get our manager to send you a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," post free for 7d., which will give you all essential details concerning successful breeding and management.

HEN WITH DIARRHOEA (H. Downes).—Get a piece of stale household bread and dry it in an oven until it is lightly browned all through. Then crush it or pass it through an egg mill, and use this in making the egg food in the proportion of a third part of the bulk, and finally mix in it a teaspoonful of arrowroot powder to each tablespoonful of the egg food, and sprinkle the whole with maw seed. Also add a teaspoonful of lime water to the drinking vessel each day. Continue this as long as there is any sign of the diarrhoea. You need not fear that the young will take any harm from this treatment.

MAKES A TICKING NOISE (B. E. B., U.S.A.).—The bird is doubtless suffering from bronchial trouble, and the first step must be to remove all the exciting causes of this. See that the bird is not exposed to any direct cold draughts, severe fluctuations of temperature, or foul heated air. Do not allow it to hang in or very near a window, near or over burning lights in the evenings, and do not hang it high up near the ceiling. Keep in a fairly comfortable and equable place, where it will have plenty of fresh pure air without direct draughts. Add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence to the drinking water for three consecutive days, and after this give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for two or three weeks, and on the alternate days give a morsel of banana and a pinch of summer rape. Give a spray of green food each day, and let the staple diet consist of plain canary seed. In the drinking water after the first three days add 5 drops each of tincture of lobelia, syrup of tolu, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for two or three weeks, as may seem necessary.

BUFF ROLLER HEN (T. N. H.). I am not quite sure what you mean that the third clutch consisted of eggs no larger than a pea, or that these

eggs contained undeveloped embryos of about this size. If the former is the case, then I should say that the hen is past her useful breeding career, as the reproductive organs have shown a marked deterioration through the season, and have not at any time been in a normal condition. In this case it would be useless depending upon her any longer, and your best course would be to discard her altogether as a stock bird. On the other hand, if the last clutch contained embryos it is just possible that she may be a late hatched bird of last season, and consequently somewhat immature during her breeding career this season. In this case it is quite likely that she will succeed much better next season. But it is too late to attempt any further breeding this year, and your best plan is to separate her at once. Turn her into a flight where she can get plenty of vigorous exercise, feed her fairly liberally during the forthcoming moult, and aim at getting her during the winter into a good hard and robust condition to start next season.

EFFORTS AT SWALLOWING (V. P.).—(1) I hardly think there is anything seriously wrong with the bird. The action you describe may be nothing more serious than a yawn, or the action which in birds compares with the human yawn, and this may be easily explained at this season of the year by the approaching moult, the effect of which is already being felt by many birds. You may try the effect of adding as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence to the water every second day for a week or so. (2) Sorry your acquaintance with the Bullfinch was so brief, but it is not always the case by any means. (3) I have no personal acquaintance with any place where pets are taken care of during the holidays.

YOUNG PLUCKING EACH OTHER (Ignorant).—It is not uncommon for young to pluck out each other's quills after the moult has commenced, and this is what is happening in your flight cage. The only thing you can do to prevent it is to separate the culprits; or the culprit, as it is sometimes only a single bird that has this vice. But when one has acquired the habit, it very quickly spreads among others by force of example, and I fear it has become almost general among your birds, in which case your only course is to cage them all up singly for the rest of the moulting time, and until they are all in perfect plumage again. If there are only one or two culprits at present, you may discover this on close observation, and you may find that these are themselves in the very best plumage, having taken good care of their own skins whilst plucking the others. In this case it may only be necessary to remove the culprits and the most badly plucked birds. It is essential to cage the latter separately until they are in good feather again, as their appearance will simply incite others to acquire the habit. Insects have little or nothing

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battley's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/3); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aeries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fane," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

to do with this feather plucking, though they should, of course, be kept at bay as much as possible at all times.

VARIOUS (Stanley).—(1) The youngsters are certainly late in commencing to feed themselves, but this is of little moment so long as they are well attended to by the cock. Keep in the cage with them a small shallow box or saucer filled with plain canary, and place on top of this each day a teaspoonful of summer rape. Besides this keep in another saucer a little of the usual egg food mixed rather on the dry side, and each afternoon give a teaspoonful of cracked hemp. If these items are kept available you will doubtless soon find the youngsters helping themselves. Do not take them quite away from the cock until you see they are beginning to crack canary seed nicely. (2) No, it should not be necessary to take away the seed hoppers for a few hours daily to compel the birds to eat the colour food in order to get them a good colour. If the food is made of pure peppers, and palatable, practically all birds will eat voluntarily more than is really necessary to produce a good colour. Extra good colour is much more a question of colour breeding as a preparation for colour feeding, than one of forcing an unlimited quantity of colour food upon them. (3) There is so little advantage to be gained by colour feeding from the nest that I do not think it is very advisable, and in any case it is too late in most cases to begin now. It would be useless starting to colour feed the young in the nest after the plumage was partly grown. (4) No, colour feeding does not affect the song or throat of the bird in any way.

CLAWS AND EATING (Joey).—(1) You ought to have treated the claws as soon as you noticed that they were going wrong. You had better put on small rings for a short time as the initial treatment now. To make these, cut off rather less than an eighth of an inch from rubber tubing such as is used on babies' bottles. Pass the three front toes through the ring, and, holding the hind toe back against the leg, pass it on up the shank until it is nearly as far as the end of the hind toe reaches. Then leave it there and allow the birds to wear them for a fortnight or so. Then remove them and put in the cages thin and nearly round perches, just a little thicker than an ordinary lead pencil, and leave Nature to correct the deformity by the aid of these perches, which may have to be left in the cage for several weeks. See that they are conveniently placed, and secured firmly, so that they do not wriggle about when the birds are on them. (2) If the bird leaves only the husks of the seed in the hopper and eats the kernels, there is nothing at all to worry about. Many birds have this habit of dropping the husks as they eat back into the hopper. It is no indication of ill-health. If they reject the kernels as well as the husk, and you are satisfied that the seed is sweet and sound, give six drops of syrup of rhubarb in the water for three consecutive days, and after this four drops each of tincture of gentian and aromatic sulphuric acid for a few days.

CHANCING STOCK (Crest).—It is quite possible that the two cocks have been in good breeding condition, but this is hardly sufficient for successful breeding. The hen is a very essential factor, and unless she, too, is in the necessary condition, a good cock is only wasted upon her. There is no reason why these two cocks should not do very well for next season's breeding if they are still

in the same good condition as now. But you would certainly do well to replace the hens, and try to get strong robust birds bred early in 1914, or 1913 hatched. If you knew any fancier friend with a strain of good feeding hens, it would be the wisest plan to try to replenish your stock from such a source, rather than to trust to chance to get good feeders from unknown sources. From November to February is the best time to buy stock.

YOUNG DYING (An Amateur).—There is something wrong with your feeding or food supplied, but I cannot tell from your letter where the error lies. What quantity of egg food do you give, and is it given very moist or dry? It is probably something connected with the egg food or the supply of hemp that is at fault. Has the hemp a nutty-white kernel, or is it stained brown? If the latter you need go no farther for the cause of the trouble. Keep the cages scrupulously clean, and also all the food and water vessels, and the food and water, too. Give an unlimited supply of plain canary seed, and place on top of it each morning for every three birds a teaspoonful of summer rape. For the same number of birds give separately every second day a heaped teaspoonful of egg food mixed rather on the dry side, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, niger, black rape, teazle, and broken groats. No other supply of hemp is necessary at the age of your birds. Give in moderation such things as seed heads of shepherd's purse, plantain stalks, seedy chickweed, with an occasional spray of watercress. If there is any diarrhoea at present give a morsel of bread and milk dusted with carbonate of bismuth for two or three days. The yellow lumps at the base of tail you mention are probably nothing more than the oil-gland, which is a natural organ, and should not be tampered with. It probably has nothing whatever to do with the cause of the deaths.

SWELLINGS ON LEG AND WING (F. V.).—I cannot even guess what the swellings are from the description you give. It would have been helpful had you enclosed a little sketch, no matter how rough, to show the position of the swellings, and you should also have described their appearance as well as you could. Have the swellings only developed in the last week or so? Try painting them twice, with an interval of three days between, with tincture of iodine, and if this does not cause them to disappear, write again, and give the above particulars, when I will advise you further. Apply the iodine sparingly with a small camelhair pencil.

BREATHES RATHER HEAVY (M. Boon).—The bird may be a little over-fed for one thing, but you say nothing at all about your feeding. Try the following treatment, and if not successful write again in a month and repeat particulars, and also say how you have been feeding it hitherto. First of all well soak the feet in a warm solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of the acid in a saucerful of warm water—and carefully remove any clinging dirt or hardened accumulations of sand whilst bathing. Then dry and anoint them with a little zinc ointment, and if the claws are overgrown cut them back to a proper length. For one week limit the diet to plain canary seed with a liberal supply of green food, and add to the drinking water every second day ten drops of syrup of buckthorn. After this give half a teaspoonful of summer rape every second day, and twice a week on the alternating days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and black rape. In the water after the first week add 20 drops of whisky, five each of ipecacuanha wine and oxymel of squills, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken together, two days in every three for a week, and every second day for another week afterwards.

HEN DYING (Anxious).—It is not possible to say definitely the cause of the hen's death. Only a post-mortem could reveal that. But it looks very suspiciously like septic fever, and in that case the cock will have succumbed before this reply can appear, and nothing is likely to save it. Should it die after this reply appears, and you have other birds, I would strongly advise you to send the body to our Mr. Yates, as per rules under "Post-mortems," as soon as possible after death, in order to ascertain the cause of death without doubt, and at once remove the cage and all appliances that have been in use in it from the vicinity of the rest and thoroughly disinfect and cleanse them, exposing well to the influence of sun and air before again bringing into use. The eggs are probably useless by this time. The only thing you could have done with them was to have placed them at once under another hen about to sit on a small clutch; but if the death occurred from a virulent type of septic fever there would have been much risk in doing this, so it is perhaps best as it is. The nesting material should have been burnt.

MAKES NO SOUND (A. P.).—The bird is probably exposed to cold draughts, damp, or some similar exciting cause of this complaint, which will have to be removed before you can hope to do the bird any good. Keep it in a fairly equable temperature, which must be comfortable, but need not be specially warmed at this season. Do not hang it high up near the ceiling, nor near or over burning lights in the evenings, and strictly avoid the close proximity of a window, though the position should be a bright and cheerful one. In addition to the staple seed diet give separately every second day for two or three weeks half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with three drops of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and sprinkled with gold of pleasure seed. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana, and add to the drinking water five drops each of glycerine, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre. Give a spray of seeding chickweed, seed heads of damselflower, or the seedy heads of shepherd's purse each day. If not well in, say, a month, write again and I will advise you further. It is useless mating the bird in this condition.

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Answered by H. NORMAN.

FEEDING HYBRIDS (L. Shaw).—Your letter arrived too late for insertion in last week's issue, and as you did not send your address it was impossible to answer by post. I gather from your letter that your hen was due to hatch last Friday, and if you have been fortunate enough to get young ones I presume you have given the hen egg food (as used to rear your Canaries), to feed them with. If she has started to feed them with this it would be a mistake to suddenly alter it to something different, so I would advise you to procure some best quality nuts' eggs and add a spoonful to the mixture, first soaking them in warm milk. At the same time get some insectile food as given to Nightingales, etc., and after a day or two add a little of this to the egg and biscuit, gradually increasing the quantity as the birds take to it and the young ones grow. If you have a garden, hunt round the rose bushes for green fly and scrape these off into an eggpan and offer them to the hen to feed with; if she takes them continue the supply, if not, just drop a few into the open beaks of the young ones; also tiny caterpillars and flies, and even the interiors of mealworms would assist the little ones immensely. Your supply of green-food should consist mostly of seeding grass and other wild plants, do not trouble about the green leaves, but just offer the seeding tops, both in a ripe and unripe condition. A spoonful of soaked seeds about twice a week will frequently induce the hen to continue feeding the young.

SEXING SKYLARKS (F. Johnson).—It is not an easy matter to sex young Skylarks, although I have found that the largest and brightest coloured are generally the males. You will also find that these are the top birds in a nest full of young. If you have the room I would advise you to keep them all until they commence to warble, which they do at a very early age.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (Quill).—You will have no difficulty with the birds you mention; as a rule

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnets," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

they live together very amicably; they may have little differences occasionally over the seed dish, but nothing very serious. If one of them should turn out to be particularly pugnacious you can easily remove him, but I do not anticipate your having any trouble.

PREPARING FINCHES (Miss Reeves).—There is no secret about preparing birds for exhibition, the main thing is to keep them healthy and in good condition without being fat. They should also be trained to run into the show cage and bear inspection from strangers. Do not be afraid to show them to friends and visitors; handle the cage frequently and move them from perch to perch with the motion of the hand. This training should be commenced while they are in the moult, as birds are much more tractable at that time. As regards feeding, a spoonful of good wild seed mixture about twice or three times a week, giving a little soaked teazle and rape on other days, will bring them into condition when required. Offer a liberal supply of sunflowers, particularly to the Greenfinch, but just watch him to see that he does not put on too much flesh; many a good bird has to stand back by the outline being spoilt in this manner. Now the bath is essential to high condition, and if your birds positively refuse to bathe you must spray them, but before doing so I would advise you to turn them into a good high flight with others, and then put in a bath on the floor of the cage; some are sure to take to it and frequently the others will follow the good example set them, when it is just possible you will have no more trouble. If you read your copy of "Cage Birds" carefully you will see from time to time birds upon exhibiting and preparing for show, that will assist you. Our little Nutshell booklet on "How to Mould British Birds," would positively contain a little information unknown to you.

MORE FINCH QUESTIONS (C. L. F.).—I am sorry I am not able to give you the information you require respecting the close season, as districts differ, but you can obtain the required knowledge from the nearest police station, where it is usually posted up.

(1) Some Finches can be caught with a bait, but a decoy bird is usually used, and is much more reliable. A good decoy will call a flock of birds down that are flying over; these would possibly pass if you had to rely upon the bait only. (2) The sweepings from barn floors are frequently used with success. If you can find a spot where a corn stack has been removed to be thrashed you will find scores of Finches and Buntings frequent the place for days, or even weeks, in the depth of winter; clear a spot and add a few fresh sweepings, and if you have any skill you should manage to capture some. The neighbourhood of water, where birds are known to drink, is also a good place. (3) When first caged the birds should be fed upon soaked rape, teazle, and canary, with dried seeds, including a little cracked hemp. Give them boiled water to drink. (4) Young birds as a rule soon settle down, but old ones are frequently too wild to manage; these after a fair trial should be given their liberty. (5) Your catching should take place before Christmas, if possible, and, anyway, not later than the end of January; the sooner they are taken after the moult the better. (6) If you have had no experience with Finches you will not find it a very easy matter to distinguish the sexes of Goldfinches. The cock as a rule has a flatter head and stouter beak, is larger, in blaze, and the wing butts are blacker and richer in colour. The blaze is the most reliable point, it should be expansive and go well past the eye. You should procure our Nutshell on the Goldfinch.

LINNET FOR SONG (Ignoramus).—The red colour on the head and breast of the Linnet is the breeding plumage acquired in the Spring of the year; they lose it again in the Autumn when they moult. Birds moulted in captivity come into breeding condition without getting red breast. There is really only one Linnet commonly called the brown Linnet. Very aged specimens are grey in appearance compared

to younger ones. These grey birds have the true Linnet note, but are generally so wild that they are failures as caged birds. If you are fond of the Linnet's song you should procure young ones and hang them where they can hear good adult birds sing. (2) Redpolls in a wild state are red on the crown of the head, hence the name, "Redpoll." This colour they lose when moulted in captivity, the crown of the head becoming slightly golden.

BULLFINCH LOSING FEATHERS (C. J. Jarvis).—Dryness of feather is not unusual among caged birds, some being particularly harsh and lacking in lustre. I note your remarks respecting fruit and vegetable matter, but I am sorry you omitted to give me your seed diet. I do not think you can do anything for him at present, but I would advise you to be careful in your management of him during the moult, which will soon take place. Put him in the largest cage you possess, so that he is able to take plenty of exercise; give the bath frequently, which should be rain water, if possible; his seed diet should be as follows: Canary 2 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape and sound linseed 1 part each, and sunflower seeds 2 parts; a little hemp, maw, and niger three times a week. Collect all the wild seeds you can, such as dock, shepherd's purse, sow thistle, etc., and give a spray of ripe privet berries daily, or blackberries (ripe and unripe), for a change. Discontinue the scraps from the table. Give a small spoonful of Chemical Food in the drinking water twice a week. Boil the water first.

COST OF KEEPING BIRDS (J. Joyce).—Sorry I am unable to assist you to the cost of keeping all the birds you mention. I am afraid I have been rather remiss in keeping my bird expenditure account. All I know is that it is always more than it should be, as I am a believer in feeding them well. I would advise you to commence in a small way and add to your numbers as you feel you can afford it. You could not buy good insectile mixture under 1/6 per lb. suitable for Warblers and Nightingales. Larks, Blackbirds, and Thrushes could be kept somewhat cheaper, although I do not believe in stinting them. (1) It always pays to feed well. (2) You could not buy a Nightingale at the price you mention. You should add 10/- or 12/- to your sum. If a "Gale was caught now he would have to be treated off properly with mealworms, a rather expensive job, a dozen or two of which are of very little use; they would only whet his appetite for more. (3) Wire fronts are constantly advertised in "Cage Birds." Write to one of the makers for an estimate. You would find it cheaper and better than making them yourself. (4) The cages you mention would be admirable for Thrush or Blackbird. Two perches would be sufficient fixed on the back of the cage, about 7 inches from the floor. You could use sand for covering the bottom.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BUDGERIGARS AND LOVEBIRDS (Topsey).—As regards taming, you must exercise patience and be very quiet and steady when attending to their wants, and steadiness will come with the Budgerigars, but the Grey-headed Lovebirds are very wild as a rule, and take a long time to steady down. It would be better to separate them, and then the Budgerigars will soon become fairly quiet. It would have to be a large cage for Budgerigars and the Grey-heads to breed in together. The Budgerigars will give but little trouble. Put in a couple of husks, supply them with white millet, canary seed, and a millet spray—as much seeding and flowering grass as they will eat while it is in season—also regular supplies of grit, cuttlebone, and water. Budgerigars in a state of nature hate by rolling amid wet grass and herbage, and if you can give them a small turf of longish wet grass occasionally they will use it as their bath. The Lovebirds would do better if given a small barrel, and you must supply them with leaves, thin strips of bark, which they will carry into the barrel and arrange to their liking when in breeding condition. The Budgerigars require no nesting material. Your book will tell you all else. Bulbuls are almost legion, and I do not know which species you are referring to, but they do not breed freely

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

in captivity, not even in large aviaries. The Gold-fronted Green Bulbul is a gorgeous bird and a fine mimic; it has not yet been bred in captivity. Value about 50s. each.

TO FLY WITH CANARIES (Chemist).—There are quite a number of foreign species which should do well with your Canaries, flying loose in the room. You must furnish the walls of the room with plenty of twiggy branches as perches, rush nest, husk, small hoxes, and wicker travelling cages as nest receptacles. Long-tailed Greenfinches, Goldfinches, Gold-breasted, Orange-cheek, St. Helena, and Grey Waxbills, Grey and Green Singing Finches; Rufous, Zebra, Diamond, Alario, Cuba, B.b. Pectoral and Bichenov's Finches, Bronze, Rufous-backed and Magpie Mannikins, Common and Green Avadavats, Cordon Bleus, Firefinches and Bengaloes. You could put in from twelve to fifteen pairs. You must add white and Indian millet and millet sprays to the seeds you supply—these seeds will do the Canaries no hurt if they take to them. Flowering and seeding grass is much appreciated by foreign Finches generally as green food.

CHINESE AND JAPANESE BIRDS (M. A.).—I do not care to give these at such short notice; in a catalogue birds of all nations are grouped together under their respective order and genera. There is the Pekin Robin, Japanese Redbreast, the beautiful little White-eye (Zosterops). Not very many birds from the countries named find their way to the English market, but I will give you a fuller answer next week. In the meantime, write again, informing me whether you have means of getting them sent over or if you want merely approximate dealers' values.

PARROTS AND LORIES (Pretty Polly).—I am not allowed to recommend any special dealer; you must watch our columns or put an advertisement in

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—July 29, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Paper on "Green and Cinnamon Borders." Mr. Middleton.—C. Bailey.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—July 25, Social Club, 7.30. Final arrangements for N.F. show.—H. Scaly.

Bury F. and F.S.—Aug. 12, Headquarters, 8. Committee at 7.30.—H. P. Thomas.

Bingley O.S.—July 25, Assembly Rooms, 2.45. F.F. show. Birds staged 2.45. Judge, Mr. L. C. Casey, Bradford.—H. Shaw.

Birmingham (City) C.B.S.—July 29, Crown Hotel, Hill St., 8.30. Special arrangements for young stock show and pay out prize money.—J. H. Jones.

Bishop Auckland C.B.S.—July 29, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7.30. Special arrangements for annual show.—R. Elliott.

Blaydon C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Fix up classes for annual show.—G. Ilavver.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—July 25, Victoria Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden. Entries Friday night from 8 to 10.—H. Bryant.

Bradford National.—July 29, Market Tavern, 8. Important business.—S. Midgley.

Bramley and Dis. O.S.—July 25, Carnival Rooms. Y.B. show. Entries close Friday night. Judge, Mr. J. Lane.—F. Page.

Bulwell F.A.—July 25, S.—John Lord.—(Kindly note that announcements must be sent in duplicate if they are to appear both in CAGE BIRDS and "The Poultry World.")—E.D.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Open show business, etc.—Smith and Lees.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—July 25, Black Swan, 7.30. To arrange for ramble to Hazelwood.—H. Cockrem.

East Bowling B.F.A.—July 25, St. John's School, 3. Meeting and show. Business important. Judge, Mr. H. A. Cowell.—J. Nicholl.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—July 27, Headquarters, 8. General bus.—J. Alderslade.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Rd., 3. Y.B. show; classes: Nor. 4, Crests and C.B. 1, Bord. 4, Scotch Fancy 2, A.O.V. 1, Mules and Hyb. 4; birds staged 2.30; admission 2d. Judge, Mr. J. F. Dewar.—J. C. Charlton.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Country ramble to Chorley Woods, July 26; meet at Finsbury Park Station, 9.—P. Brooks.

Huddersfield O.S.—Aug. 17, Headquarters, 8. Meeting postponed from Aug. 3rd to 17th; ramble postponed from Aug. 1st to 22nd.—A. Lawford.

Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—July 28, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8.—A. Roberts.

Idle C.B.S.—July 24, White Bear Inn, 8. Entries for members' show, July 25, 3 p.m. Judge, Mr. J. A. Taylor.—C. E. Hylton.

yourself as wanting them. Le Vaillant's Amazon, 40s. upwards; Purple-capped Lorry, 50s. to 60s.; Haw-headed, very seldom to be obtained, 28 to 410; Yellow-naped Amazon, 50s. upwards. All are robust species once they have got over importation troubles. Re your Blue-fronts, it really needs a strong steel and iron aviary for these birds, but there would be a reasonable prospect in a cage, say, three feet square at base and from four to five feet high, with a barrel hung up in the top of same, and also several stout branches for them to climb about on.

WILL THEY WINTER OUT OF DOORS? (E.C.).—If your county is not a northern one, all the birds you name should safely pass the winter out of doors. Having a north aspect, your aviary would be greatly improved by having some glazed shutters, or even bass matting, placed against the ten feet of light front that adjoins the shelter, but this, of course, would only be required during the winter months. The Ortolans ought to breed in such an aviary, but none of the Buntings are free breeders in captivity. The incubation period varies from thirteen to fifteen days. Pleased to note the Pekin has recovered.

MADAGASCAR LOVEBIRDS (J. W. Lloyd).—Put one teaspoonful of Dineford's Magnesia into the drinking water daily till the bowels have been well moved, but as soon as there is any sign of the evacuations being watery, the laxative must be stopped, and put in the water half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates daily till the birds become normal. On all warm, sunny days put the birds outside, but not in too exposed a position, either as to wind or sun. Put a millet spray into their cage once or twice a week, and supply grit regularly. In the aviary I found this species ready to eat lettuce and seeding grass readily, but the centre fleshy stem should be removed from the lettuce leaves.

BUDGERIGARS (H. E. A.).—Apple, paddy rice, are quite wholesome for these birds, and it certainly will not hurt them if they take a little pigeon corn. It is best to keep up a continuous supply of food for small birds; nevertheless it is a good practice to let them eat supplies right up, but within the hour the supplies should be renewed. Get our Nutshell, "Budgerigars," 2d., post free from our manager, and you should then be in no doubt as to dietary. Give them as much seeding and flowering grass as they will eat. If in any part of the aviary there is sheet lead which they can get at and nibble, this would account for the trouble. The next similar death that occurs, send the body to our Mr. Yates (see rules) for post-mortem examination, with full particulars, then when you get his reply cause should be apparent, and we can suggest a remedy. Budgies are certainly as hardy as Sparrows.

AUSTRALIAN GREY PARROT (Novice, South Wales).—(1) No. 2 The Rose-breasted Cockatoo is advertised by dealers as "The Australian Grey Parrot." It has the underparts mostly rose-colour, the head and face white, blushed with pink; back grey. (3) I have heard good talkers of this species, but they are the exception rather than the rule; the majority do not talk much, many not at all; but, if you get a young bird, and once it's tame, pet it and make a companion of it, and talk to it, etc.; there is no reason why you should not succeed in training it into one of the few talented individuals which occur among Roscates.

GREY PARROT (Regular Reader).—This feather-picking is a vice, and once the bird becomes confirmed in it, the habit is seldom entirely given up. The sample mixture is a very poor one, unless you sent us what the bird had already picked over; it also contains some items the bird would be better without. Get the following: One quart each canary, white millet and oats, one pint each hemp, dard, paddy rice, and sunflower seeds; half-a-pint of pea nuts and a gill of chilies. Well mix and keep

National British Bird and M.C.—July 23, "Feathers," 61, Chapel St., Westminster, 8. Allotting of patronage.—J. P. Carr.

Newcastle-on-Tyne East End C.B.S.—July 29, Leighton's School, Heaton Rd., 7.30. General business; table show; classes: Nor., Yorks., Bord., Crest or Crest-bird, Chm., Brit. J. W. Conits.

North Wales C.B.S.—Aug. 15, Assembly Rooms, Market St., Carnarvon, 7.30.—R. F. Griffith.

Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.—July 24, Trinity Schools, 8. Special meeting.—H. T. Newham.

Poplar C.B.S.—July 25, All Hallows Schoolroom, East India Dock Road, Poplar. Young stock show, open at 2.—F. H. Marhoff.

Port and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—July 25, Tramway Restaurant, 7. To consider the forming of a club for a trip to Palace show. Prize-money will be paid for F.F. show; also other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

Portsmouth and S. Counties' C.B.S.—July 29, Headquarters, Long's Memorial Hall, 8. Half-yearly report; payment of prize-money for young bird show; discourse by Mr. Beekel on the Norwich Plainhead. Members please settle for tickets for the recent show as early as possible.—G. T. Hall.

Pelton Fell Amalg. C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, N.F. show; Mr. J. Riseborough, Sunderland, judge; 21 classes; schedule as last year.—John Robinson.

Provincial Roller C.C.—July 25, Old Boar's Head, Corporation-st., Manchester, 6. Annual show and other business.—A. Percival.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Aug. 5, Warring's Dining Rooms, 8. Minutes of last meeting and other business.—G. Lord.

Rotherham C.B.S.—July 25, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Open show business.—Taylor and Bailey.

Sandy Lane C.B.S.—July 25, Victoria Hotel, Sandy Lane, Members' F.F. show; judge, Mr. A. Whitley, Bradford. Birds staged 2.30.—S. Moore.

Sheffield O.S.—July 27, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Very important business.—E. C. Job.

Spenn Valley C.B.S.—July 25, Commercial Hotel, Young bird show, staged at 3 prompt. Judge, Mr. H. W. Walsh, Halifax. Special for most points.—S. B. Grayson.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—July 28, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. General business.—W. Stafford.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—July 25, Cardiff Arms Hotel, 7.30.—E. Richards.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—July 28, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. Lecture on "Moulting."—A. H. McLean.

Wanstead F. and F.A.—July 27, Cambridge Park Hall, Wanstead, 8. Cage bird show and general meeting.—H. S. Lofthouse.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—July 28, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Receive prize-money, and general business.—W. G. Andrews.

Windhill C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Ordinary business and balance sheet for July members' show.—Taylor and Ellis.

Warrington C.B.S.—July 30, Blue Bell Sale Room, 8.—G. M. Nelson.

a supply regularly in the cage. Also supply biscuit, stale crusts, ripe fruits, ad. lib., nuts in variety, and keep continuous supplies of grit, cuttlebone, and pieces of wood for it to chew up, in the cage. You must not use a metal drinker when giving drugs, with the exception that every fourth day will be sufficient for the magnesia, and on the intermediate days put half-a-teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. Persevere with the treatment given in previous reply and report progress in a month or six weeks' time.

QUAIL EGGS UNDER PIGEON (M.B.L.).—No, this is all wrong. The pigeon can't feed them; they run about like chicks as soon as hatched. A fillop feeder will be no good. The eggs should be put under a Bantam hen (a Silky does as well), and she should be allowed to brood them as she would her own chicks—live and dry ants' eggs, live gentles, some good make of insectile mixture, and canary and millet seed. The young soon develop; the small coop and run containing the chicks should be placed on grass if possible, and its position moved almost daily.

DOUBTFUL GENDER (W. J. G.).—(1) You do not say whether the supposed cock which you now think is a hen has ever sung or not, or whether there were any indications of sex during the period of mating. I think it may be just as likely that you were mistaken yourself in thinking the sexes were reversed, and that the one you took to be the hen was really the cock. However, if you allow the bird to sit its full time it should, together with the test of the mating of the other bird with the fresh cock, clear up matters. (2) If the 8-year-old Yorkshire is in good sound health and active, there is no reason why it should not breed successfully with the hen that is now sitting, or you might mate the fresh roller cock with her, as you suggest after the other hen, if such it proves, has gone to nest.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

W. T. East.—Bird was impossible of examination after dissection, it had undergone decomposition. If you care to send another I will examine it.

Mrs. Ruby Shaw.—Acute inflammation of the bowels induced by the ingestion of some irritant material partaken of with the food. The bird was otherwise healthy, with no suspicion of infectivity.

Mrs. M. H. Ashkam.—Fatty degeneration of the liver and spleen very advanced. The heather had nothing to do with its death; it could not have lived long under the circumstances.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Jacko.—It is not exactly common, yet at the same time it is far from rare for Linnets in captivity to moult out all white, or more or less white, in plumage. A large number of such instances are known.

Puzzled.—The bird is an Ortolan Bunting, a European species, sometimes found in England. Feed on plain canary seed; for detailed reply see answers to British bird queries next week.

J. Loveday.—We will have drawing made and publish it next week.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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WANTED, good music and songs for cab; list to: R. A. C., 9, Ivydale rd., Nunhead, S.E. No post-cards.
 GRAMOPHONE with 20 double-sided records, 30/-; or would exchange anything useful: 27, Tatton-st., Salford. (1716)
 "CAGE BIRDS" from March, 1914, to date, 1000 plates, what offers: J. Robinson, Peel Gardens, Highbury. (1711)
 TWELVE compartment cage, 25-egg incubator, letter press, offers, cash or exchange: Norton, Winslow, Bucks. (1715)
 EXCHANGE for Canaries, Budgerigars or British, pair of men's strong boots, new; offers: Baker, 1, Watery-lane, Preston. (1715)
 POWERFUL binocular glasses sell 12/-; cost 45/-; 1911 Linnel-Canary Males, cocks, 5/-; Bourne, 85, Hollane, Burslem, Staffs. (1717)
 ROLLERS and cages cheap, also 30-key Lachenal concertina, exchange for duct concertina: 19, Fat mouth-st., Hunslet, Leeds. (1715)
 GENT'S cycle, free-wheel, two brakes, perfect condition, bargain, 10/-; exchange, stamp reply: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1714)
 LARGE Parrot cage, good condition; exchange pair good Norwich or cock Goldfinches, Brown Linnet; Ayton, Victoria-rd., Workington. (1712)
 TEN good double-breasted, three Parrot cages, sell cheap; exchange, best offer accepted, gold Albert preferred: H. S. Davies, Llandilo. (1715)
 BARGAIN, six pure Black Minorcas, February hatched; exchange pair twelve yards clap net; snarles, 6/-; Tindall-lane, Beverley. (1713)
 GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, new; exchange Canaries, foreign birds, or offers: Golding Decorator, 49, Brunswick Close, London, E.C. (1716)
 TO Bootmakers, Bradbury's patching machine, cost 49/-; accept young Canaries, value 43/- or part cash: Kumbie, Horeham-rd., Sussex. (1717)
 SPLENDID Gramophone (new), with six double records, sell 30/-, or exchange birds, etc.: Jopson, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1715)
 VERY old cello and bow, over 150 years old, beautiful tone, 50/-; exchange old violin or Foreign birds: 253, Carlton-rd., Worsop. (1716)
 MEAT sale, perfectly new, large size, stands about 3ft., 10/-; exchange; cocks only, or offers (letters only): F. Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (1716)
 COMPLETE loft racing pigeons, 22 birds, race and show pen winners included, 43/10/-; or nearest offer; pedigree given: J. Palmer, junr., End rhy, Leicester. (1715)
 EXCHANGE gramophone records, also Plymouth Rocks, for young Norwich or Yorkshires; large birds: Reynolds, Newham Farm, Silhney, Histon, Cornwall. (1718)
 MAGNIFICENT Linnel Mule, swordstick, fountain pen; wanted, gent's watch, Kropps razor, birds, anything: Banagan, Burnley-place, Chadderton, Oldham. (1712)
 WANTED, Grey or Amazon Parrot, acclimatised; exchange jewellery (gemine), revolver, etc., with cash added for good specimens: 18, Merton-rd., Norwich. (1713)
 TWO good hen Canaries, Norwich and Yorkshire, 15/-; pair prize Dutch rabbits, nine months, 3/-; Midstone violin and case, 10/-; or offers: Hardisty, Tavistock. (1714)
 EXCELLENT 2-horse-power horizontal oil engine, two fly-wheels, new condition: 48/-; exchange for Parrots, Canaries, or Foreign birds: Brown, Cistern Hill, Knaresborough. (1715)
 GOOD toned Higham's flat eucenet, will sell, 20/-; or exchange same value in 1911 bred Yorkshire or Norwich Canaries: W. Rowbotham, 1, Abbey Hey-lane, Gorton, Manchester. (1714)
 WE buy, sell, or exchange birds or livestock of any description, for others, wearing apparel, or household goods, honest dealings only: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1714)
 SELL, or exchange, three-seated settee, 10/-; pair horns, 2/-; several boxes medical cigarettes, 2/-; boxes for 10/-; gramophone and records, 4/-; pocket lamp, 2/-; Miss Ellis, 12, Eastover, Bridgewater. (1714)
 EXCHANGE English lever watch, nearly new, for pair of Norwich Canaries and breeding cage, or offers in Yellow Budgerigars; no rubbish offered or wanted: Wells, 40, Spooner-rd., Broomhill, Sheffield. (1715)
 "OUR Canaries," good as new; Perfection oil heater, complete and in good order; cost 17/-; what offers British or large young Norwich hens: Leonard Mann, 159, Portland-st., Watworth, London. (1715)
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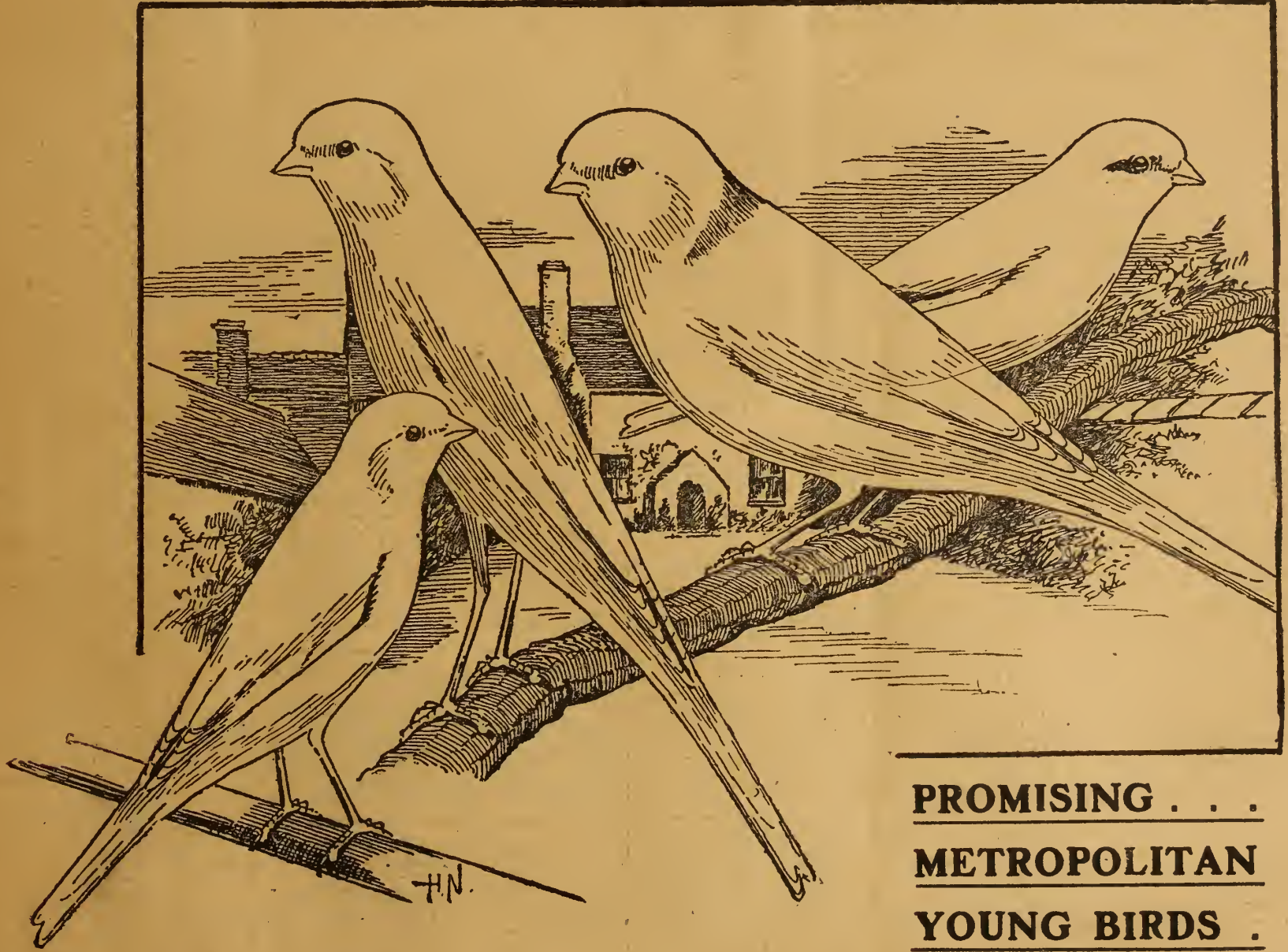
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KIPPAX.

Members' sing, Commercial Hotel, July 25, with only a moderate entry. 1, Cooper; 2, Lightfoot—a new member, this being his first win; 3, Potter.—A. Tomlin, Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnets contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, July 25, for 4 minutes' time singing. 1, Morley; 2, Brindley; 3, Liversedge, July 26, 18 birds entered, for 3 minutes' time singing. 1, Morley; 2, Walwright; 3, Brindley.—J. Brindley, Sec.

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REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

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Club Reports.

BINGLEY O.S.

Show, July 25, Assembly Rooms, Mr. L. C. Casey, Bradford, judged. Class 1: 1, 2, 3, Butterworth and Hardy; 4, Craven. Class 2: 1, Craven; 2, Allen; 3, 4, Townley. Class 3: 1, Bailey; 2, Townley. Class 4: 1, Butterworth and Hardy; 2, Priestley; 3, Craven.—H. Shaw, Sec.

STANLEY (Victoria) F.F. & C.B.S.
Meeting, July 19th. Decided that we nominate our secretary, Mr. W. Elliott, for a seat on the Board of Management of the above club; voting will take place on Friday and Saturday nights, July 31st and August 1st, and Sunday morning, August 2nd. I hope all members will attend and record their vote, as our secretary is running in the interests of the society.—R. Peart, Chairman.

NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Meeting, July 22; Mr. R. Tindale presided. New members made: H. D. Pyman, West Hartlepool; J. Stephenson, and W. Priestley, Boldon Colliery. Decided that champion cup be won twice in succession or three times in all before becoming the property of exhibitor. Sec. was instructed to purchase young bird cup from Fattorini and Sons. We are giving a novice trophy to be won outright in one year, also medal for second most points, two highest birds only to count for novice trophy, so here is a good opening for any novice who cares to join us.—F. W. Laidlow, Sec., 55, Colston Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.G.

Meeting, July 25; Mr. Massey presided over an average meeting. Patronage in the form of medals was again granted to Bradford, Wakefield, and Bolton Shows. Annual contest fixed for Nov. 27 and 28, probably in Manchester. Enquiries are being made for a suitable hall. The meeting appointed Messrs. Waring, Massey, Kilshaw, and Tomlinson, to judge at Annual Show. It is greatly to be regretted that so small an interest in the affairs of the P.R.C.C. seems to be creeping over the members, when such important business as the Annual Show is left to be discussed by eight members, all of whom travelled some distance. It is hoped that in future members will make every possible attempt to be present.—A. Percival.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C.

Meeting July 18, Market Tavern, Bradford, Mr. W. A. Cowgill chair. Messrs. H. Chew (Leeds), J. E. Pyrah (Morley), A. Whitley (Bradford), and W. Bingham (Sheffield) elected members. Prizes for the various competitions during the coming season were arranged as follows: Open competition, 1st prize the N.G.M.Y.C.C. trophy value £10 10s., and club medal value £1; 2nd the W. A. Cowgill trophy value £5 5s., and club medal value 12s.; 3rd the Edward Clegg trophy value £3 3s., and club medal value 8s.; 4th pair boots presented by Mr. J. Chippindale; 5th special value 10s. 6d. presented by Mr. H. Hill, special (value to be arranged later) to most points with 3rd birds, Mr. J. W. Ramsden's special; money specials as last year for 4th and

5th birds. Amateur competition (for members who have not won three firsts in open classes) special value £1 1s. presented by Mr. L. Dykes; 2nd value 15s. by Mr. E. Hattersley; 3rd value 10s. 6d. by Mr. J. Bailey. Junior competitions for novice members: Prizes competed for in novice classes at all Y.H. shows where Green marked classes are provided; 1st sp. value £1, 2nd value 15s., 3rd value 10s. presented by the club. Decided that the N mark for novices in the Year-book now in preparation be omitted. Intending members should send in their names at once for inclusion in same.—J. Chambers, hon. sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, July 25, Mail Coach Inn, Mr. B. Bailey chair. Decided to have 8 Yorks., 8 Nor., 4 Brit. classes, 2 Selling, 1 For. Mr. White, Tinsley, elected a new member. It is to be hoped that members will turn up to the meetings better than they did at this meeting, as we shall have plenty of work to do now to get ready for open show, and to make it a success. Everyone will have a chance to do a little toward it.—Taylor and Bailey, Secs.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting, July 25, at headquarters. A good muster attended and a good amount of business was got through. Mr. J. H. Baker was elected a member. Decided that Sec. keep a record of members that attend meetings and register same. A club also formed for a visit to the next Crystal Palace show; members wishing to visit same can do so by paying a small subscription each week. Next meeting headquarters, Aug. 8, at 7.—J. S. Jones, Sec.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

At last meeting, July 2, it was decided that owing to so many members being away on their holidays, the August meeting be abandoned. Next meeting, therefore, Sept. 3, when we hope all will endeavour to be present. Points gained for the points cup: Champ., Burton Bros., 105; J. S. Fairman, 98; F. Lacochee, 57; C. E. Gunnell, 32; Rev. H. A. Soames, 23; W. A. Hall, 21. Novice: J. Fuller, 130; H. J. Joplin, 78; W. H. Gardner, 63; A. Weston, 59; W. G. Martin, 45; T. Kay, 41; J. W. Ford, 34; H. C. Humphries, 33; J. Williams, 30; P. Cooper, 28.—Burton Bros., Hon. Sec.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, July 21, Headquarters, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane. Mr. L. J. Richardson, chairman, gave a lecture on colour-feeding. He particularly pointed out that it was necessary to give the birds a preparation before commencing colour-feeding, so as to clear their system. Hot Natal pepper was not necessary until half way through the moult, as in his opinion young birds' stomachs are not strong enough to stand it. Olive oil he uses when mixing the food, which keeps a fine sheen on the bird's plumage. Shutting down is a great thing amongst many breeders, but he thought darkening the window was equally as good, as the birds get air, and are subjected to more natural conditions of the room. Many members took part in a discussion which followed, and there were not many who feed alike. A hearty vote of thanks to the chairman was carried unanimously. Mr. Richardson replied, and a very pleasant meeting closed. (No meetings in Aug.)—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec.

The Shows.

SMALLBRIDGE C.B.S.

Young Bird Show, July 4, Mr. A. Howarth judged. LIZ.: 1, 2, Coupe. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Coupe; 4 Blackburn. BUFF.: 1, Blackburn; 2, 3, Coupe; 4, Bamford. TKD. BUFF.: 1, 2, Coupe; 3, Bamford; 4, Howarth. TKD. BUFF. NOR.: 1, Howarth; 2, Lord. YELL.: 1, 2, Lord; 3, Howarth. A.O.V.: 1, spl., Tonks; 2, Weadle. BRIT.: 1, spl., 3, Weadle; 2, Hartley.—J. T. Cheatham, Sec.

BEDFORD.

Second N.F. show, headquarters, July 23, when a very nice lot of young Norwich faced the judge, Mr. H. Markham. Special mention must be made of Mr. Osborn's four first prize birds, which are a great credit to the breeder. CL. BUFF. NOR.: 1, Osborn, very typical, good size, and rich col.; 2, 4, Corrie; 3, Gentle. YELL.: 1, 2, Osborn, very typical, lovely qual. and col. not much between; 3, vhc, Corrie; 4, Notley; he, Beandlan. MKD. BUFF.: 1, 4, vhc, Osborn, mkd. head and wing, excellent model; 2, Notley; 3, Hunter; he, c, Corrie. YELL.: 1, 2, Osborn, nice short, good headed birds, rich qual.; 3, Gentle; 4, Beandlan; vhc, Corrie. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Notley, very smart Siskin Mule, good col.; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Wright and Mayo, all dark Goldf. Mules. NOV. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Valentine, stylish, nice col. and qual.; 3, Crawford; 4, Hudson. BUFF.: 1, 2, 4, Valentine, stylish, good head and nice body; 3, he, Hudson; vhc, Crawford, many fanciers thought this bird should have won; c, Simons. JUNIORS: 1, 2, Thompson.

COVENTRY (Godiva) C.B.S.

Young stock show July 18, Plough Hotel, Queen Victoria Road, when 102 birds were put through their paces by the judge. Norwich were well up to the average in numbers, not forgetting size, shape and quality, and a few of these will be heard of later on. Yorks were down in number, but there were some nice youngsters on view, but Cinnamons looked as if they had been to a suffragette meeting. The A.O.V. class was a good lot; 1st and 2nd were two typical Cinnamon mks. Nor., 3rd being a clear Crest-bred. The old bird classes were well filled, and the birds were looking well after doing their duty for the season; we noticed one old clear yellow hen which we have known for more than ten years looking as well, if not better than some of the young ones to-day. She has successfully bred again this season. British were few. Mr. T. Gilbert (Coventry) judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

NOR. CLASS 1 (9): 1, 2, Rowley; 3, vhc, Wright; he, c, Saunders. CLASS 2 (11): 1, Shirley; 2, Cox; 3, Saunders; vhc, Wright; he, Roycroft; c, Rowley. CLASS 3 (14): 1, 2, Wright; 3, Arundell; vhc,

Shirley; he, Fletcher; c, Saunders. CLASS 4 (17): 1, 2, 3, Roycroft; vhc, Wright; he, Arundell; c, Shirley. YORKS CLASS 6 (2): 1, Rowley; 2, Saunders. CLASS 7 (4): 1, 3, vhc, Rowley; 2, Saunders. CINN. (6): 1, Wright; 2, vhc, Rowley; 3, Roycroft; he, Wills. A.O.V. (12): 1, 2, vhc, Roycroft; 3, he, Rowley; c, Shirley. YELL. AGED: 1, 3, vhc, Wright; 2, Saunders; he, Roycroft; c, Rowley. BUFF.: 1, he, Rowley; 2, 3, Wright; vhc, Buckley; c, Saunders. IEN.: 1, 2, Wright; 3, vhc, he, Rowley; c, Adkins. BRIT. HARD.: 1, Wright; 2, Adkins; 3, Rowley. SOFTBILLS: 1, Rowley; 2, Adkins.

SHIPLEY O.S.

Young Bird show, July 18, Headquarters, Victoria Hotel. Mr. L. Dykes judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL.: 1, Harrison; 2, Long; 3, Tomlinson. BU. YELL.: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, Rhodes Bros.; vhc, Grange; he, c, Tomlinson. TKD. YELL.: 1, Rhodes Bros.; 2, 3, Long. BUFF.: 1, Long; 2, Armstead; 3, he, Rhodes Bros.; vhc, Hudson; c, Cooper. GR. MKD. BUFF.: 1, Armstead; 2, Rhodes Bros.; 3, Hudson. CINN. MKD. YELL.: 1, Grange; 2, Hudson. BUFF.: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, Hudson. FOUL MKD.: 1, Rhodes Bros.; 2, Grange.—E. Grange, Sec.

NOTTINGHAM (Permanent) O.S.

P.F. Show at headquarters, July 11. A nice show, considering that members have bred hardly any youngsters this season, very good birds turning up. Norwich seemed to be a failure. Mr. W. Harris judged, and gave every satisfaction.

YELL. NOR.: 1, Bunn. YELL. CREST: 1, Bostock. BUFF.: 1, 2, Goode; 3, Bostock; 4, Bowers; 5, Mals; 6, Bowers. C.B.: 1, Goode; 2, Wood; 3, 4, Bostock; 5, Mair. MULE OR HYB.: OLD: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Hayter. UNLIG.: 1, Widdowson; 2, Bunn. GOLDF. OR BULL.: 1, Bunn; 2, Bowers. LINNET, ETC.: 1, 3, Hayter; 2, 4, Wood. A.O.V., BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Hayter. NOR., NOV.: 1, 2, Widdowson. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Beers; 2, Bunn.—J. Bunn, Sec.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.

Third P.F. show, July 25, Victoria Hotel, with a good entry of 57. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged and gave satisfaction to all. Spl. best in show won by Mr. P. Mason. Season's points up to date are—Champ.: Mason 55, Goodwin 53, Dykes 34, Bloomfield 31, Boocock 17. Nov.: Fretwell 29, Bryant 37, Smith 23, Hall 24, Spencer 24.

CL. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Dykes; 2, he, Fretwell; 3, c, Boocock; vhc, Mason. BUFF. (11): 1, spl., Mason; 2, Shaw; 3, Goodwin; 4, Fretwell; vhc, Ellis; he, Myers; c, Hall. TKD. YELL. (8): 1, 4, Dykes; 2, Burgess; 3, Mason; vhc, Ellis; he, Myers; c, Spencer. TKD. BUFF. (12): 1, Boocock; 2, Goodwin; 3, Hall; 4, Mason; vhc, Bloomfield; he, Ellis; c, Smith. MKD. YELL. (6): 1, Bloomfield; 2, Goodwin; 3, Fretwell; 4, Bryant; vhc, Smith; he, Spencer. BUFF. (7): 1, Dykes; 2, Spencer; 3, Goodwin; 4, Cotterill; vhc, he, Mason; c, Bryant. FOUL MKD. (5): 1, Bloomfield; 2, Shaw; 3, Dykes; 4, Goodwin; vhc, Fretwell.—H. Bryant, Hon. Sec.

HUTHWAITE C.B.S.

Table show, July 18. Mr. J. W. Burton is the new Sec., and a good entry of birds rewarded him for his labour. Mr. Platts of the Shoulder of Mutton Hotel, gave a special for most points in Champion classes and Mr. Vardy one in Novice classes. Mr. Marshall judged.

CHAMP., CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, 3, Vardy; 2, Shepherd. BUFF.: 1, Keeling; 2, 3, Vardy. VAR. OR DK. BUFF.: 1, Shepherd; 2, 3, Vardy. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Keeling. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, spl., 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Gabbitas. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Pickering. VAR. OR DK. YELL.: 1, Pickering; 2, Vardy. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Vardy. VAR. OR DK. BUFF.: 1, 2, Pickering. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Sankey and Leivers; 3, Holland; vhc, Williams. VAR. OR DK. YELL.: 1, 2, Holland. CL. OR TKD. NOR. BUFF.: 1, Sankey and Leivers; 2, Holland. VAR. OR DK. BUFF.: 1, 2, Holland; 3, vhc, Sankey and Leivers; he, Williams. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Mallatratt. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, Mallatratt; vhc, Sankey and Leivers; he, c, Holland. Sankey and Leivers and Holland tied for Novice spl.—Robin Hood.

DONCASTER C.B.S.

2nd P.F. show held Black Bull, July 15; 47 birds were staged. Mr. G. A. Pogmore judged, and gave every satisfaction. Total points to date for Sell's challenge cup: W. Blanchon 26, G. Evans 24, Twine 22, J. Simpson 18, G. Bescoy 16, Ball 15, T. Truman and G. Hunt 13 each, H. Tonkinson 12, A. Norman 10, E. Simpson 8, Whittington, J. B. Flint, and A. Smith 6 each, G. A. Pogmore, S. Knowles, and C. Presley, 5 each, H. Lumby 4. Points for Mr. A. Raynes' sp.: G. Evans 36, Truman 27, Twine 22, W. Blanchon 15, G. Hunt 13, A. Norman 10, E. Simpson 8, Whittington, Flint, J. Simpson, and Ball 6 each, S. Knowles 5, A. Smith and Lumby 4 each, Poppleton 2. Anyone not finding above correct, please let me know at once.

YELL. YORKS.: 1, 3, Blanchon; 2, he, Hunt; vhc, Truman; c, Knowles. BUFF.: 1, Hunt; 2, Blanchon; 3, Truman; vhc, c, Knowles; he, Lumby. YELL. NOR.: 1, Twine; 2, vhc, Evans; 3, E. Simpson; he, J. Simpson. BUFF.: 1, Twine; 2, c, Truman; 3, vhc, Evans; he, J. Simpson. MULE OR HYB. F.F.: 1, 2, Evans; 3, he, Ball; vhc, c, H. Bates. GOLDF. OR BULL.: 1, Ball. GREENE: 1, Presley; 2, Cook. LINNET: 1, Bescoy; 2, Ball. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Cook; 2, Bescoy. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Simpson; 2, vhc, Bescoy; 3, Presley; he, Ball.—G. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

POPLAR C.B.S.

Young Stock Show, All Hallows' School Room, East India Dock Road, July 25. 162 birds faced the judge, the attendance was small during the afternoon, but became brighter later. The Mule class was the largest (19). Mr. J. Robson judged. Sp. best bird went to Mr. Wyatt.

CHAMP. NOR. BUFF.: 1, sp, Hunt Bros.; 2, 3, Leech; vhc, he, Perry. VARIEG. BUFF.: 1, 2, Leech; 3, Hunt Bros.; vhc, Perry. YORKS. YELL.: 1, sp, sp, Wyatt; 2, vhc, Plum; 3, Hunt Bros.; vhc, Wyatt. TKD. OR VARIEG. BUFF.: 1, 2, Plum; 3, Hunt Bros.; vhc, Wyatt. NOV., NOR. YELL.: 1, sp, Marhoff; 2, Bloomfield; 3, Barber. BUFF.: 1, Barber; 2, Braithwaite; 3, Bloomfield; vhc, Marhoff. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Lang; 2, Braithwaite; 3, Stopher; vhc, Taylor. BUFF.: 1, 2, Marhoff; 3, Bloomfield; vhc, Stopher; he, Taylor. YORKS. YELL.: 1, sp, 3, Marhoff; 2, Earl; vhc, Lang; he, c, Snow. BUFF.: 1, 3, Marhoff; 2, Snow. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, Lang; 2, Earl; 3, Snow. BUFF.: 1, Snow; 2, Marhoff; 3, Lang. MULES, OLD: 1, Snow. MULES, 1914: 1, sp, cup, Peeling; 2, Walker; 3, Pine; vhc, Joyce; he, Pine; c, Peeling. GOLDF.: 1, Pine. GREENE and CHAFF.: 1, 2, 3, Snow; vhc, Stopher. LINNET and SISKIN: 1, Peck; 2, Woodcock. A.O. FINCH or BUNTING: L. F. J. Snow; 2, N. A. Snow. STERBIL: 1, 2, Woodcock. FOR.: 1, sp, 2, Woodcock.—D. H. Marhoff, Hon. Sec.

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Twitterings.

We have still two vacancies for our patronage, writes Mr. J. Huntington, sec., Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C.A., 19, Nelson Street, Maryport. Secs. please apply early.

Mr. J. W. Dalzell writes that he has removed from 4, Ormerod Street, Oldham, to 96, Barker Street, where he has opened in the Bird and Seed Trade, and will be pleased to see old and new friends.

Mr. Bert Benton, East Palestine, Ohio, U.S.A., who is a lover of Canaries and Canary breeding, would be glad if Mr. David O'Brien, of San Francisco, would send full address, so that he might correspond with him.

Members please note, write Messrs. Jamieson and Johnson, Secs., Derwent Valley C.B.S., we are postponing our meeting of Aug. 1 to Aug. 8, and hope that all members and intending members will be present at same. Subs. due.

Mr. J. Nicholl, 327, Bowling Hall Road, Bradford, writes that he has taken over the secretaryship of Bowling and Dis. B.F.A., and will be glad to hear from anyone wishing to join. The society is moving to new headquarters, the Napoleon Hotel, Wakefield Road.

I should like to know the address of Mr. Frank Ball, writes Mr. G. H. Ball, 39, Percy Road, Woodford Halse, near Byfield, Northants. About two years ago he lived in Hartley Road, Radford, Nottingham, and was a bird fancier. Could any Nottingham bird fancier oblige?

Mr. Alex. Donnelly writes that he has taken over a business at 295, Swinton Hall Road, Pendlebury, and says: "I have sold all my Canaries, but am still keeping on with Linnets, and I will still keep up my interest in the Bird Fancy. I have no room for my cages in my new business premises."

Will all those who have received schedules for the Woodlands Show, Aug. 3, note, writes Mr. G. Hunt, hon. sec., Doncaster C.B.S., that an error has occurred in same, re cup rules, viz., for the best Canary or Mule, or Hybrid bred 1914, confined to members of the Ardwick-le-Street, and Doncaster and Dis. C.B.S.

We have received the year book for 1914 of the Provincial Roller C.C. It contains a list of officers, balance-sheet for 1913, which shows a loss of nearly £12 on the year, the balance of £25 18s. 2d. brought forward being reduced to £13 18s. 6d. cash in hand, the rules of the club, members' names and addresses, and the judging standard.

Messrs. Liverine Limited, of Grimsby, the proprietors of Desiccated Yolk of Egg, write that they wish, through CAGE BIRDS, to thank the many fanciers who have sent them kind words and wishes. One large breeder writes this week: It fills a long felt want and will do all you represent it to do at a minimum cost. The proprietors add that they have an output for the white of the egg, and that nothing this was so the price of the Desiccated Yolk of Egg would be double. It will bring the birds through the moult, producing at the same time a brilliant plumage. The process of fanciers boiling their own eggs is now out of date.

"Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, appears now in a new cover, bearing pictures of various foreign birds. The opening article in the July issue is a short account, by Mr. H. Whistler, of the Rufous-bellied Niltava in its wild state. Mr. S. Williams continues his account of his Weavers and Whydahs. Mr. W. Shore Baily tells of the breeding of Hybrids between a British Greenfinch and a Sikhim Siskin, and gives a photograph of the nest and eggs. Other interesting breeding accounts are of the Alexandrine Parakeet, by Mr. Baily, the Blue Sugarbird, by Dr. Lovell-Keays, the Mealy Rosella by the Rev. G. H. Raynor, and Rosate Cockatoos by the Marquis of Tavistock, the latter in the continuation of the articles, "Some Experiences of Cockatoos." Mr. W. T. Page continues "An Easter Tour Among Members' Aviaries," and Mr. Whistler, the "Birds of the Jhelum District," illustrated by a drawing of the nest of the Purple Sugarbird. Some nice photographs embellish an interesting issue.

Mr. George Siddown, hon. sec. Ilkeston C.B.S., writes that his society has been compelled to alter its show date from Nov. 28-30, as originally announced, to Dec. 5-7.

£2 for Lost Parrot.

A reward of £2 has been offered for the recovery of a Grey Parrot which escaped from the houseboat River Home, moored in the Thames Ditton reach of the Thames.

A New Hybrid.

In the Editorial Notes of the July issue of "Bird Notes" there is an account of the successful pairing of a cock Fieldfare with a hen Missel Thrush in Major Johnson's aviary at Hove. Two fertile eggs were laid the first time, but owing to an accident to the nest they were not hatched. The eggs are described as being "a complete mixture of the egg of the two species." At the second attempt three eggs were laid and one chick was hatched.

A Cheering Message.

In connection with the serious illness of the veteran judge, Mr. J. F. Hills, of Sudbury, recently reported in CAGE BIRDS, on the initiative of Mr. J. F. Dewar, of Edinburgh. Mr. G. Crabb has sent to Mr. Hills a joint letter of sympathy, and of hope for recovery. This letter was signed by nearly 50 of his personal friends in the Fancy, composed mainly of the older fanciers. (We have heard from a friend that Mr. Hills was greatly delighted and cheered by the message.—Editor.)

Two Cases of Fertile Mules.

In the July issue of "Bird Notes," the Editor, Mr. W. T. Page, records that two lady members of the Foreign Bird Club have records of fertile Hybrids. Miss E. F. Chawner reports that she has a Grey Singing Finch-Linnet Hybrid cock, the mating of which with a hen Linnet has resulted in the production of two young birds which are now fully fledged; and Miss Smyth had one young bird from a Red-headed Finch cock and a hen of the Red-headed Finch-Cutthroat cross; this young bird, however, lived only three days.

OBITUARY.

Master Herbert Ludbrook.

It is with great regret, writes Mr. W. Helliwell, Sec., City of Bradford O.S., I hear of the sad loss our most esteemed treasurer, Mr. F. Ludbrook, and his wife, have sustained in the sudden death of their son, Herbert. They have the full sympathy of every member of our society in their great sorrow.

Mr. J. W. Turner, Grantham.

It is with deepest regret, writes Mr. H. Lowther, Hon. Sec. Grantham C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of our respected member, Mr. J. W. Turner, better known as "Bert," who died at his home in Grantham, July 23. I offer, in the name of his brother fanciers of the Grantham C.B.S., our sincere sympathy to his sorrowing wife and relatives. He was a keen fancier and loved a good specimen of any variety, and at all times wrought hard in the best interests of the society.

Through the Cage Bars.

Giving evidence at Steeple Ashton in regard to a charge of keeping young Goldfinches in captivity, an inspector of the R.S.P.C.A. related how he saw three young Finches in a small cage, and while questioning the defendant observed two adult Finches in the vicinity of the house. First one and then the other bird approached the cage and passed morsels of food through the bars to the expectant fledglings. He learned that the young birds were taken from a nest in a tree in view of the cage.

Sparrow wrecks a Taxi-cab.

A Sparrow at Higham, near Gloucester, has been responsible for a serious taxi-cab accident. In a ditch seven feet deep were found a wrecked taxi-cab and its dazed driver. When able to speak the driver said that all he could remember was receiving a severe blow in the eye. Inquiries led to the discovery of a dead Sparrow at the bottom of the steering-arm, and the only explanation of the accident is that the Sparrow flew into the driver's eye, rendering him insensible, with the result that the cab swerved and ran into the ditch.

To Society Secretaries, Advertisers and Correspondents generally.

It would much facilitate our work if Secretaries and others would kindly write out their club reports, notices, etc., in the style in which they see them printed. Write on ONE SIDE ONLY of each sheet of paper used.

Will all correspondents, and secretaries and officials of societies in particular, please note that CAGE BIRDS now goes to press on Wednesday afternoon, so that all matter for publication in our issue of the same week MUST reach us on TUESDAY TO BE CERTAIN OF INCLUSION.



Mr. H. Howick, of Midhurst, and his noted Canary Bullfinch Hybrid with some of the fine trophies it has won him. The bird was bred by Mr. Howick, and an account of its wonderfully successful career on the show bench will be found in a letter from him which is published on page 42.

Fancier and Crack Rifle Shot.

It may be of interest to your many readers to know that Mr. Jas. L. Dewar, who won the King's prize at Bisley, is also an enthusiastic bird fancier, and a member of the Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S., writes Mr. Jas. Napier, the Sec. Crests and Norwich Plainheads are his favourites. I am sure all bird fanciers will join the members of the above society in congratulating Mr. Dewar on his splendid win.

Massacre of Sea Gulls.

A correspondent of the "Yorkshire Post" says that after a recent destructive hailstorm in the estuary of the Tees, he counted 300 dead Gulls within a quarter of a mile of Redcar jetty, lying in groups of from six to twenty. They had been slain by "lumps of ice," most of the birds having wounded heads and broken wings. It has since been found that thousands of Sea Gulls were destroyed by the enormous hailstones.

TRAINING AND CONDITIONING BIRDS FOR EXHIBITION.

A lecture by Mr. B. Clegg before the Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.

Meeting and lecture by Mr. B. Clegg held in the St. Thomas's Schools, Ardwick. A large number of members and friends being present, Mr. Boothman in chair; usual business was gone through previous to lecture. The lecturer expressed his pleasure in coming before the members of the Ardwick and District C.B.A. I was asked to give a lecture, he said, the subject was to be "How to get Birds in Condition for the Show Bench." I was pleased to know the nature of the lecture was selected and not left to me, and I will now do my best to handle it. I will start on the moult. You are all aware the best conditioned bird is one which has had a good moult, and while it is going through the hopes of every fancier run high, anticipating a good moult for the young birds, and the good fortune of having something that will bring credit to him when the shows come round; even with the older birds he is looking forward to them having even a better moult than they had the previous year.

You must at all times carry out the moult under the best conditions, not as a good many do, that is, put them altogether in a flight cage and moult and colour them. He strongly advised those present to select the best birds they would require, as these should have more attention than the others. After the second week of moult cage them off separately, as in colour-feeding you will have to shade the light. Some darken the cages with paper, others darken the window or run a blind across the racks. It does not matter which method you adopt so long as you do shade the light after selecting those which you will need for the early shows.

A Recipe for a Tonic.

Probably about this time you may find some of your birds are down in condition, now you must study your birds and try to ascertain the cause of them going out of sorts. Perhaps a tonic will pick those ailing birds up. There are several tonics which fanciers use, but a very simple and good one which I have used for 20 years is the following: Saffron two pennyworth, cochineal two pennyworth, sweet nitre ½-oz., honey ½-lb., tincture of capsicum ½-oz., rum or whiskey 8 ozs., water up to three pints. This tonic would last the season through, as only a little is needed in the drinkers, and it would also keep good; he had found this to be very beneficial in almost any case of birds being down. Some used sulphate of iron, others tincture of gentian, tormentil root after the moult was also a good pick-me-up. Birds are the same as ourselves, one medicine is good for one and not for another. Of course, we must study them and experiment until we found out which was the best to use.

Getting the birds ready for exhibition, he stated, was a very serious matter, as some birds needed more training than others and unless a man has plenty of time it is of no use going in for some of the varieties. With Yorkshires, for instance, a man would have to spend a lot of time training them, run-

ning them into the show cages to get them steady and also getting them in that position which takes a judge's eye so much. You must get them well up and strengthen their legs by careful training. A good method is to tie a piece of string to the top of the cage or even a sprig of dandelion or water-cress, by this you will not only get position, which means that half the battle would be won, but you would also get better wing and tail carriage. This would make the Yorkshire what it is noted for, viz., a bird of position.

The Norwich was more a bird of type and colour, and did not need the same training as the Yorkshire, as its position seemed more natural to the breed. This variety seemed more for the working man as it did not need the time. Other birds of type and colour mentioned were the Lizards and Cinnamons, but he was sorry to say they seemed to be sinking, for they were birds which gave a lot of interest to those who took them up and they were not expensive.

Showing Brings in £2 Weekly.

The lecturer said that if a man wished to be successful he should belong to a society which was composed of working men, as he believed they gave more attention to the breeding and showing of birds and had made the Fancy what it was; still he could not do without the moneyed man, as we needed these to buy our stock, and we should encourage the capitalists to come into our societies so as to assist us to get along. He knew an exhibitor who made £2 per week showing birds he had bought from working men. If we did happen to have a bird worth £6 or £7 he would advise us to sell it, as it would assist us as well as the purchaser. (There is a certain amount of risk and should anything happen he could better afford to lose than us.)

Regarding showing, he did not believe in doing too much with one bird; he thought three times during a season was enough, especially in Manchester where the air is so dirty. Some fanciers were able to moult a bird clean and show it without washing, but this he had found to be impossible in Manchester. The wash was one of the main things, and he was a great believer in washing demonstrations to educate the members. To improve the sheen on the birds he advised us to use a small quantity of glycerine in the water; of course, this would need a lot of practice to get to know the quantity to put in. For washing purposes he had found Sunlight soap, with a little borax in the water, and glycerine in the rinsing water to meet all needs, but he always made a practice of grooming his birds with a silk handkerchief. This, he thought, brought that beautiful sheen and that closeness of feather which we all so much admire. After touching on several British birds and giving some good hints the lecturer concluded, leaving us a short time for questions. Several were asked and answered in an able manner, and a vote of thanks ended a very instructive and interesting lecture.—R. BOOTH, Press Correspondent.

Getting and Keeping Canaries in Show Condition.

By J. HODDER, London, E.C.

Hints From One of Our Best-Known Exhibitors.

I THINK it will be admitted by most breeders of Canaries that however good in show points a bird may be, if it is shown out of condition it is not likely to do its owner much service on the show bench; one cannot help noticing early in the show season some exhibits possessing all the characteristics necessary for the make-up of winning specimens, and yet they are passed, and why? Solely because they are out of condition, and do not show themselves to advantage. How frequently we hear at shows such remarks as these: "He appears down in condition," "Hugs his perches," "Does not move well," etc. Now all this is summed up in the one word, Condition; these birds lack condition, and to remedy this should be the exhibitor's earnest effort.

Why the Birds Are Late.

Let us briefly examine a few of the causes why birds do not answer the requirements of their owners early in the show season, and to do so it will be necessary to commence with early spring. We will suppose the show season is over, we may have had all our spare time for months taken up with the shows, exhibiting the birds and following up their doings; possibly we have not met with the success we anticipated, and we have become a little disheartened. Then our fervour is diminished, and our interest wanes perhaps, so the birds are left to themselves a little more than usual. Of course, we attend to their ordinary daily wants, but we may not be so keen as we ought to be, so we give the birds less time and thought; and this just at a period of the year when we should display greater enthusiasm; and so time passes along; pairing-up time approaches, the birds are paired, but we are not at all satisfied with results; then we become dissatisfied with our stock, and perhaps resolve to dispose of all and make a fresh start. Yet all the time the birds have not been to blame, but ourselves only, and the trouble dates back to that day on which our enthusiasm abated.

Believe me, the successful exhibitor is the man who devotes all his energies to getting his birds into the highest condition by the time the show season begins. In the management of his stock before pairing, during breeding operations, and after, he should be keeping in his mind the possibilities of a successful show season, for it is there and then the

true fancier reaches the summit of his ambitions when he sees the reward of his labours—possibly a beautiful specimen exhibited, the admiration of his brother fanciers, his toil and plodding has brought him unbounded happiness in the knowledge of the fact that he has produced a bird which has brought him credit, and given pleasure to others. Therefore keep up your interest throughout all the year; you will be amply rewarded for all your trouble.

Another cause of disappointment during the show season is late breeding when the second week of July is with us. I do not consider it a wise course to allow the birds to continue breeding. I knew some will say, "But you see I have had a poor season up till now, and there is yet a chance of hatching and rearing a few," but from personal knowledge I gather that the possibilities of making good a poor season are at this time of year remote; the birds are now tired, and if anything is hatched the chances are that there will be difficulty experienced in rearing it. Even if reared, late hatched birds are generally puny and weak, at least this is what I have found, so is it worth the risk of breeding from your best specimens when they ought to be resting, and gathering strength for the moult?

Ending the Breeding Season.

I prefer to let all nests where young are hatched by middle of July get fully reared, and not allow any hen to sit again after that date; part all the pairs one by one as the young commence to do for themselves, placing the hens in batches, say, of six or more, according to cage room at your disposal, but cage off all the cocks singly; the hens will generally agree well, but the cocks will not agree until the moulting sickness seizes them, then they can be removed into moulting cages in batches and kept on colour food until the completion of the moult. All birds that are intended for show should be kept together, if possible, during the moult.

Late breeding often proves disastrous; what frequently happens as a consequence of late breeding is this: The birds get so thoroughly tired and worn out that many valuable birds die towards the end of July. The first symptoms of the approaching trouble are that they mope about the cage, pick over the seeds,

eating but little; they appear as though there is little life left in them, then we begin to administer restoratives in the form of some tonic or something else, but to our dismay we suddenly discover one day that one or more have gone to the great majority. Then perhaps we become angry with ourselves because we were not sufficiently observant to have avoided such a catastrophe. Be it remembered that I am dealing with causes why birds are not in show condition when the time arrives for the exhibitions to begin.

The successful exhibitor always has his thoughts concentrated on the future as well as the present, and so handles his stock at all times that the best results are obtained at any period of the year, whether it be breeding time or showing time.

Assuming that we have the right stock, the earlier the moult the better, i.e., if we have an ambition to score at early shows all birds should be showing signs of the approaching moult by the middle of August, and those that are not should be helped with cochineal or saffron in drinking water. We are all glad, or should be so, when the moult starts early, and if the birds have the necessary reserve of vitality to carry them through it expeditiously we shall soon see the feathers leaving them in large and still larger quantities; this augurs well for a speedy and successful moult, and upon this depends very largely the bringing of the birds into condition for showing at the proper time.

The Moult and Colour.

When birds have a protracted moult they are nearly always flat in colour and down in condition just at the time when you require them for exhibition. I consider that birds should never be handled during the moult, for if handled much the moult is retarded; while if they are allowed to remain in absolute quietness they will come through the ordeal much more quickly.

Assuming the moult is over and the birds are beginning to "fine down," as we say, then you will need to watch them most carefully; some birds give trouble to their owners at this time my dropping some of the new feathers. If detected in time this trouble can soon be overcome by giving some kind of blood-enriching tonic in the form of iron in the drinking water, this also serves to bind the colour. When these symptoms have vanished, just modify the diet a little, and instead of colour food every day give a little ordinary egg-food with, say, 4 drops of cod liver oil emulsion and a few drops of chemical food mixed with each small teaspoonful, also a little maw seed sprinkled over it. This simple treatment speedily brings about a marked improvement in their condition, and puts a lovely sheen on the surface of the plumage.

The careful fancier will soon see when this kind of treatment must be discontinued by the general appearance of the birds so treated; of course care must be exercised not to overdo it at this period, but the strain of the shows will soon tell its tale on their constitutions, then it will be time again for you to resort to your mode of special treatment. Some fanciers bring their birds into condition with mixed seeds only, but I prefer to practice both methods.

I make up a mixture of gold of pleasure, a little linseed, a little niger (inga), maw seed, best German summer rape, and a little hemp; about a teaspoonful of the mixture is given on the days when the egg food and emulsion and chemical food are not given, not forgetting a little ripe apple. You will, with this treatment, soon have your birds full of life and go, and ready for the shows.

The "Soft-Moult" Nuisance.

In a recent lecture I dealt briefly with the appearance of soft moult about November, and sometimes later, but perhaps a word or two here again may be appropriate; one cannot help noticing at some shows the number of birds which are down in condition and casting their feathers when the show season is about half over. This is most distressing, both to the birds and their owners. There is no doubt that the trouble is brought about by frequent showing or the varying temperatures to which the birds are subjected, and I notice that it is the novice birds which suffer most in this direction.

Now I have only one object in mentioning this, and that is to help and encourage the novice, therefore I would tell him that if he will only anticipate this trouble another season, and treat his birds in the simple way I have described, i.e., after every show give his birds some kind of tonic in the form of tincture of steel, syrup of hypophosphates, or chemical food in drinking water, and also feed for a day or two as advised for birds finishing the moult; if this mode of treatment is persevered with, a soft moult will never be a cause of trouble again.

Let us always remember that soft moult is injurious to the birds' constitutions, as it imposes an additional strain on them, besides ruining them for shows for weeks, or perhaps the remainder of the season, and I would further state that in my own experience I have never known of a hen being of any use in the breeding room during a season following that when a soft moult had occurred. I have found syrup of hypophosphates, as mentioned above, a most excellent remedy for all birds showing signs of the wear and tear of much showing. I trust these remarks may prove of some assistance to the amateur or novice, and that by following out the advice here given success may be achieved.

BEFORE giving a few notes on the recent nesting of this charming species, the Sikkim Siskin (*Chrysomitris spinoides*), in my aviary, perhaps I may be permitted a few words of explanation, which may make my object more intelligible. In the first place I should like to point out that I am not competing for any of the medals or prizes which our Editor has so generously offered. This is not because I in any way undervalue the honour of winning one—and more especially the first one—but simply because those of us who try to interest others in that which is best in aviculture must be careful that our own motives are above suspicion; I may add that I have also refused all the medals which the Avicultural Society has kindly awarded me during the past two years.

For the above reason the rules with regard to giving notice and as to the length of the written account have not been observed, but all the other rules have been complied with, and especially that with regard to adding the corroborating testimony of a witness, which I regard as very necessary and valuable—indeed, I may add that I myself suggested it. Without wishing to say anything disparaging about other records, I have always held the opinion that without corroboration there can be no real record; in fact I may go further and say with great regret that I fear that one at least of such "records," which I personally investigated, was simply a flight of the imagination.

Breeding Birds in Cages.

Whilst on this subject I should like to make it quite clear that the idea of giving a medal for species bred for the first time in a cage must be credited entirely to Mrs. Warren Vernon; I merely passed it on to our excellent Editor, recognising its great possibilities, not only in view of the fact that so very many bird-lovers have no space for aviaries, but even more because the general public, though generally ready to admit that birds are happy and contented in large aviaries, refuse to believe that cage-life can be even tolerable. If, for instance, we tell them that more than half-a-century since the Nightingale was successfully bred in a cage, they would probably refuse to believe us. My hope is that we shall now be able to give them definite proof

The Breeding of the Sikkim Siskin.

By W. E. TESCHEMAKER, B.A.

An interesting first occurrence in English Aviculture.

of what can be done even with delicate insectivorous species in cages. If the excellent scheme of CAGE BIRDS achieves this result, every aviculturist in the land will be under an obligation to it.

Far away up in the Himalayas, where the stately deodar rears its noble head and the great silent forests ring with the weird laughter of the White-crested Jay-Thrush, you may see the Sikkim Siskin flitting from tree to tree—a gleaming flash of gold against the dark background of the gloomy conifers—and you may hear its clear piping call-note. Then perhaps other little gleams of gold come into view, not quite so brilliant these, their breasts streaked with dark brown—one, two, three, four, a family party. Though some writers on avicultural subjects indulge in verbal rhapsodies in their efforts to depict the beauty of a bird on the show-bench, we cannot get away from the fact that, to realise the real beauty of any bird, one must see it in its natural surroundings. Let us go to Nature, and let us observe that, whereas we have only a few types of cages, in Nature almost every species has a quite different and characteristic background. We shall not be far wrong, I think, if we associate this particular species with the deodar, because Hume tells us ("Nests and Eggs of Indian Birds") that this tree forms its favourite nesting-site.

I have had one or two (but not always a pair) of these Siskins in the aviary ever since 1903, but they have done no nesting until this season. Perhaps the clear sunny days and very cold nights of this exceptional spring have supplied the something that was lacking in the conditions of their captivity, for I hear that in at least one other aviary a hen Sikkim Siskin has nested this season, having paired

with a cock Greenfinch and reared one Hybrid. In this connection it may be not uninteresting to remind our readers that, when discussing this species under the heading of "Recent Arrivals from Abroad," I pointed out the similarity of its note to that of our Greenfinch, and also suggested that possibly the reason that a certain proportion of those imported had not done well was that they missed the bracing air of their homeland.

However, I am hoping that a breeding strain has now been established, for both my pairs have reared all their young this season, and have reared them without the least difficulty; it would be very satisfactory if one could say definitely that a new and really suitable species had been added to the number which will prosper and breed in our aviaries. The more I see of aviculture the more convinced I am that we should try to breed in captivity more of the birds which aviculture requires.

Eclipses Our Own Beauty.

This Sikkim Siskin is a far more beautiful bird than our European species. The whole of the forehead, throat, rump, breast and underparts of the male being a brilliant golden yellow, the wings widely banded with old gold, and the flights most artistically tipped with a clear grey-blue. The female is very similar, but duller. In its homeland this Siskin is said to breed quite late in the year (July and August); but quite early in January I saw the male of the pair in the winter aviary displaying, crouching low on a spare bough with his wings and tail extended to their utmost span, in which position he looked very like some gorgeous tropical butterfly. A charming little nest was built at the end of February in the top of a quonymus, about

eight feet from the ground, very compactly constructed of moss lined with fine grass and a few feathers. The four eggs were light blue, with a few black spots on the larger end, and were much larger than those of our Siskin, the one in my cabinet measures .75 x .58 in.

The four young were hatched on the 25th April and flew on the 6th May, on which day I brought one into the house and made the following note on its plumage: "Crown and back buffish, each feather with wide central dull brown stripe, giving a mottled appearance; cheeks light brown; over eye and under cheeks, chin and throat pale chrome; wings blackish, greater and lesser coverts margined with buff; anterior base of all primaries and secondaries bright yellow, forming a bar across the wing; a wash of dull grey on ends of secondaries; tail blackish-brown; all tail feathers with buff margins; breast pale chrome, boldly streaked with brown; abdomen and under tail-coverts light chrome; beak and feet pinkish."

Shelter Ignored.

The other pair, which had wintered in the breeding aviary without any shelter whatever, went to nest about a month later and laid three eggs, of which I took one. They hatched and reared the remaining two. The nest was in the fork of a *Pinus insignis* about three feet from the ground. The male of this pair went into the moult on the 1st June, but had completed his moult and was singing again by the 5th July. By the 1st July the young of the early nest were changing colour rapidly, showing much more yellow on the throat and forehead, especially the young males.

The song of the Sikkim Siskin is not of much value; nevertheless it is bright and cheerful, and heard throughout the year, and the bird itself is not only brilliant, but in perpetual motion, and is in every way suitable for aviary life. I can quite believe that the young could be reared on seed alone; nevertheless, I supplied groundsel for the first brood and the second brood were largely reared on the roots of grass.

My friend and neighbour, Mr. P. F. Wolfe, saw the second brood in the nest on the 24th May, and Mr. C. Harrison, of Tiverton, has seen both broods flying and independent.

KEEPING AND BREEDING FOREIGN SEED-EATERS IN CAGES.

By WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S., &c.

(Continued from page 26.)

NO matter how few birds are kept, there should always be several reception cages, all of the box type for the reception of new arrivals. The first to transfer the birds to (I am speaking now of birds not larger than a Canary) should only be about 12 inches long, 9 inches deep, and not more than 12 inches high; here the birds may abide for about seven days, to rest after the troubles of importation and the subsequent land journey. Put in the cage suitable sreed, with only a light sprinkling of sand over the cage tray, and a tin of warm milk in lieu of water; the milk can be diluted with boiling water to give it the required temperature (three parts of milk to one of boiling water); add one drop of brandy to the fluid ounce, and then leave your birds alone for a couple of hours at least. The temperature of the room they are placed in should be rather high and dry, but the atmosphere must not be stuffy.

A Period of Rest.

The next day water can be given the birds just tepid, and containing half-a-teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia to the fluid ounce of water; in the afternoon give milk again as above, and then follow on with water containing a little Byno-phosphates till the birds become established, but it will be an advantage to let them have a drink of milk as above, in the afternoon of most days for the first week. This first week is to be a period of rest, and the birds had better be left undisturbed, save when attending to supplies and cleaning cage.

At the end of the week transfer them to a cage a little larger, say eighteen to twenty inches long, the other proportions about as in the small cage; here they may spend another week, being gradually introduced into a lower temperature, and given plenty of fresh air, but they must be kept clear of chill winds and draughts. Here they may remain for a week or ten days, being gradually brought on to the full diet for the species. By the time this period has elapsed they should be ready for the cage that is to be their home, which has already been described earlier in this article. During this resting period they will have acquired activity, the full use of

their wings, and also confidence; and all should go well with them.

Formidable as this may seem while reading the directions, it really means very little trouble in practice, and many a bird will be saved by proceeding on some such lines—birds are not fit for a really roomy cage when first taken out of the travelling box, they are scared and weakened by the journey, and still more badly scared if put straight away into a really large cage; they huddle away in corners, and only the strongest survive.

An Incident in Proof.

I can illustrate my point by quoting an instance; I received this week some Purple Sunbirds, the day after their arrival in port, and still in their travelling cage, each bird being in a small compartment. They were cleaned and fed, and left in their travelling cage for another day. Then they were transferred to other cages and treated on the lines given above, for the same treatment applies to both soft- and hard bills, and now every bird looks like living, and all are becoming really smart; yet, when first run out of the travelling cage they were cramped and scarcely able to walk.

With some species, i.e., if they appear very badly scared, it is well to hang a piece of an old lace curtain in front of their cage for the first few days, till they settle down a bit. In the case of any sudden collapse, put them into a small cage, with a soft cloth or a little hay on the bottom of cage, and place them in dry heat, even 80 degrees or more is not too much, and keep them there till properly revived; then gradually, not suddenly, bring them back into a lower temperature. To write further would be superfluous, and I pass on to our next section.

Breeding Hints.

When birds are noticed to be building, they should be left to themselves as much as possible and the necessary attendance carried out as unobtrusively as possible—it will be quite possible to observe them from a little distance, and if one sits without much movement, observation can be kept sufficiently close for all the doings of the birds to be distinctly visible.

Birds are mostly secretive in a state of nature when engaged in family cares, and if we can keep up this fiction, or get as near to it as we can in our cages, it makes success more probable. Therefore surround the nest receptacles in the cages with sprays of heather or broom that will give the idea of a retreat, and you will find that many hens will not leave their eggs while food supplies are being put in or even while the cage is being attended to. Even Canaries avail themselves of such retreats, if given the choice of a screened or an unscrceued nest-box.

When young are hatched, it is of the first importance that a liberal dietary be supplied. Even with such a free breeding species as the Zebra Finch, which will rear its young on seed and greenfood alone, it is wise to be more liberal, for many young Zebra Finches have been lost for the lack of a little live food at this period. We must bear in mind that though seed-eaters, the young of the *Fringillidae* are almost entirely raised upon insect life, especially in the early stages.

Many are so situated that insect life is not easily obtained; well, live ants' eggs, gentles, as well as mealworms are all to be obtained from bird-food providers; the mealworms always, the others in their respective seasons, which is mostly when they are most wanted. However there is another substitute which is always with us, that is preserved ants' eggs; procure the best ants' eggs obtainable, and steam the required quantity just before supplying to the birds. I have reared numbers of Cutthroats and similar species upon preserved ants' eggs so treated.

Half-ripe and Soaked Seeds.

Greenfood again is an important item in the rearing of many *Fringilline* species, and it should be supplied fresh at least twice daily if possible. I have dealt with kinds in a previous instalment, but if these be procured with the seeds in a half-ripe condition, such should be largely supplied to the birds.

Soaked seeds are also a help, especially with pairs which are bad feeders; but it must be borne in mind that such soon ferment and become sour, so that only immediate requirements should be so treated. It will suffice if the required quantity be put into a dish over night, and sufficient boiling water poured over them to well immerse the whole; the following morning all water should be drained off and the seeds shaken about in a cloth, so as to dry them sufficiently to prevent the seeds clogging together into a mass.

The average incubation period with the *Fringillidae* is 13-14 days, but this is a little variable, and so as to be all covering it may

be put as 12-16 days; climatic conditions affect the period to some extent. In my aviary I have found 12 days the usual period in moist, hot weather; extreme dry heat appears to slightly lengthen the period, and in some instances to spoil the eggs.

Homely Remedies.

I am not going to treat of bird ailments here, but often taking a slight ailment in the beginning will check serious trouble, and save many valuable birds. Anything more than this must be treated as for individual cases, and not in a general way. The following may well have a place in the fancier's medicine cupboard:—Dinneford's magnesia, byno-phosphates, Friar's balsam, whisky, and a mixture of ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills and glycerine in equal parts.

A close watch should be kept upon caged seed-eaters against constipation, and at the first sign of this a little Dinneford's magnesia should be put into the water to adjust matters. Dinneford's magnesia may also be used as required as a check upon obesity, but in no case must it be used of sufficient strength or so frequently as to set up a state of chronic diarrhoea. For birds needing a little toning up use the byno-phosphates, half a teaspoonful to the fluid ounce of water will suffice for the Finch tribe. This can be given regularly so long as the birds require it. Friar's balsam is useful in the case of accidents, or necessary amateur surgery, a little applied with a camel-hair brush will soon stop bleeding.

Whiskey or brandy in a little warm water is a good stimulant to birds suddenly requiring such—one or two drops in a teaspoonful of water is sufficient. For slight colds the mixture named above usually gives relief providing the case is taken in time—one part of the mixture to ten of water I have found about right for the class of birds we are considering. Of course there are many others which can be used for the same object, but I have found those named to answer the purpose admirably, and no good purpose would be served by enlarging the list.

Keeping Trouble at a Distance.

With ordinary care, cleanliness, sweet and wholesome food, thorough ventilation without draught, and a close watch upon the birds during the period of the moult, will mostly suffice to keep disease at bay. When slight indisposition occurs it will be at once apparent to the real bird-keeper, and a use of homely remedies, as above, at once, will usually meet the case.

My concluding instalment will be "A few representative successes."

(To be concluded.)

An Object Lesson in Wild Seeds.

SIR,—Owing to removing from Rothesay I have had several letters delayed from societies, etc., wanting to loan my collection of wild seeds. Those who have not heard from me should kindly communicate with me at 253, Thorn Place, Blackness Road, Dundee, when I will send on the collection by return. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.

JAS. B. CLARKE.

Never Say Die!

SIR,—Reading CAGE BIRDS, I got to page nine, where it is mentioned about young fanciers, when a stroke of bad luck comes, throwing the sponge up. Well, now, that struck me as very funny. This is my first year, and I have had five nests, some with clear eggs and others with young, which did not come out of the shell. At last I thought that I would buy a few youngsters, just to satisfy myself. Believe me if two of them did not get away. I captured one with a sack which I had in my hand. The other flew away into a tree. I climbed the tree, then just as I got up he flew on the top of a house. I went up on the roof and got scratched all over, while the wife called me all the monkeys she could. Don't you think, fanciers, that I have had a bad start? But I don't intend to give up; I am going to try again, and hope to have better luck next time.

A. E. P.

Railway Clearing Houses for Derelict Birds.

SIR,—In seaport towns birds in cages are often left in railway station parcels rooms and not called for again. Possibly the returning traveller's joy at reaching home again oversteps the limit, and he forgets all about it until he reaches his destination, and then does not trouble to write for it. The birds are kept for three months, the same as everything else. For ten days they are kept in the parcels room at the station, and after this time are kept in the store. Birds, by the way, are the only live stock that railway companies will take in as parcels. The birds are put up for sale for what they will fetch, at the quarterly sales of derelict parcels, but as these sales are not advertised very widely they are not much attended to, and the general

public, and the birds and cages go for a mere song, being often sold as an item in some lot that includes most incongruous articles. The Post Office also handles many derelict birds in the course of a year, though as a rule for short periods only. This is due to some accident with the labels during transit, as birds will not be accepted for transmission unless they are properly labelled. The birds are invariably claimed by the owners when their absence has become known through non-delivery at their destination. In the East End of London is what is known as the "Russian" market. This may be said to be the clearing house for derelict birds, as birds of all descriptions picked up at furniture sales, and in many other ways, are offered for sale here each Sunday, on which day the market is at its busiest. The amount of haggling that takes place over a sale is surprising. Neither the sellers or the purchasers seem to be well posted in the value of the birds, and the business resolves itself into one asking as much and the other offering as little as they dare. The purchasers are usually women, who are adepts at "cheapening" goods.

D. J. RICARD.

Training Linnets for Contest Singing.

SIR,—In reply to "Novice" on how to train Linnets for singing contests, if he looks through the adverts. in CAGE BIRDS he will find plenty of those who advertise books on training Linnets. I would also advise "Novice" to get your "Nutshell" booklet on Linnets and their treatment, for it is a real good book. "Novice" will find that to get Linnets fit for contesting he will have to spend a lot of time with them and try various kinds of seeds, as one seed will bring one bird on fierce song and not another. If "Novice" will put his name to his letters I will send him a seed recipe worth having, though I don't wish to publish my name on account of trade. I am winning every week with my birds with the seeds I use, and what I get elsewhere to feed them on (from other seed dealers).

LINNET.

Correspondence.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

SIR,—I thank those gentlemen who last week kindly gave their opinion, but should have liked to have seen the names of those who were writing the letters. Still, perhaps they have done best, or they, too, may get trodden on. I do not intend to let the matter drop. Any reasonable person can see that I have been treated worse than a dog. Most of the members have seen my appeal, and I hope in the near future to have this matter thoroughly gone into.

A. E. MOULE.

SIR,—As Secretary of the Abertillery C.B.S., please allow me to defend the society. Fanciers at large have heard only one side of the case. I shall state the other side, and the truth. Mr. Moule says that there were only six in the committee meeting of July 8; I wish to tell him that there were eight, and that seven voted to expel him, and one was against. (Not five to one as he stated.) Also there were 14 in the monthly meeting of July 11, when eight voted to expel him, four for him to remain, and two stood neutral. (Not seven to five and one neutral, as he stated.) I think we should speak the truth when it is published in the Fancy Press. I can give every name of the members present, also who voted for and against. He says he was thrown out in five minutes; I can prove it has taken about three months. Now, fanciers, the reason Mr. Moule was expelled is this: The Society has not been able to have a meeting when Mr. Moule has been present, without it has been all of an uproar from beginning to finish. We picked a deputation on April 24 to see Mr. Moule as regards his conduct at the meetings. He promised the deputation he would act differently. This promise he failed to fulfil, except at the first meeting after they waited on him; this meeting being the only one the chairman has had the chance of ruling as it should be ruled. I may say that when a member addressed the chair and was on his feet speaking, Mr. Moule would interrupt, and would not listen to the chairman. It had come to this: Mr. Moule behaved so in the meetings that I am so at the ten m. I could have left the

society if Mr. Moule had not been expelled. What would other societies have done with an individual upsetting the meetings and ridiculing the chairman? On behalf of the Society, I remain,

H. H. MORTIMER, Hon. Sec.

[A letter from Mr. Broome, the late hon. sec., bearing out Mr. Mortimer's remarks, is unavoidably held over.—EDITOR.]

SIR,—"Ebbw Vale" has rightly stated the case when he says that Mr. Moule is worth the whole lot left. Mr. Moule has at various times collected something like £20 in cash, which, I am sure, means work, and to work like this means that he is interested. Mr. Moule is a fancier of sterling worth of whom any society might well be proud, but, unfortunately for him, is of an inquisitive turn of mind. He asked a lot of questions, and he liked to probe things to the bottom. Now I think all will admit this is an Englishman's right especially in this democratic age. I am sorry to say Mr. Moule is not the only fancier that has had the "Order of the Push" from this Society, whether from the same cause or not I am not prepared to say. But, Mr. Editor, if we are not prepared to act above board, it is time to close any society, and write upon its tombstone "Ichabod."

A WELL WISHER.

The Great Career of a Noted Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid.

(See photograph on page 40.)

SIR,—As I think this may prove of some interest to the many readers of CAGE BIRDS, I enclose a photo of my noted Canary-Bullfinch and myself, together with some of the trophies the bird has won in this last two years. I must say he has been very successful on the show bench. He has taken twenty firsts and four seconds in twenty-six times out, including 1st at the Crystal Palace in 1914; also a £1 cash special at the Crystal Palace, 10s. cash special at the Portsmouth and Southern Counties show, and a diploma of honour in CAGE BIRDS' Championship Competition, with only three coupons. He has also won twenty other specials, including the Portsmouth fanciers' 25-guinea challenge cup, the Gmkilford C.B.S. cup, and the Chichester C.B.S. cup, all three for best cage bird in each show. Many thanks for hints from CAGE BIRDS, and I wish your paper all the honour it so honestly deserves. The photograph is by G. T. Spring (Mildhurst).

H. HOWKER.

From Field to Aviary.

Sir,—The other day whilst out for a stroll I came across a nest of young Greenfinches, about ten to twelve days old. I caught the old hen and took her and the young home with me. I put them all into an aviary. They had not been in above half an hour before the old hen began to feed them. She is feeding them yet, and all are doing well and look as if they are contented.

W. SIMM.

A Linnet that Returned Home.

Sir,—Reading in last week's CAGE BIRDS of a homing Thrush, and the previous week of a homing Bullfinch, perhaps the following case of a Linnet returning home might be of interest. On Wednesday afternoon last (July 22) whilst feeding two Linnets I keep on a window-sill outdoors, I had the misfortune to leave one of the doors open and one of the birds flew off and, of course, I gave it up as lost. The next afternoon a neighbour called my attention, much to my surprise, to a bird flying round the cage of the other Linnet. I looked out and saw it was my lost one returned. I put out the cage he had been kept in, and within ten minutes he went in by himself and never moved whilst I opened the window and shut the cage door. I think this very remarkable for a Linnet, seeing it was a field-moulted specimen, and I consider one of the difficult birds to steady down to cage life."

F. J. SNOW.

Mortlake.

Judging Norwich Plainheads to the Standard.

Sir,—I was rather amused when I read in the correspondence columns (which are most interesting) the complaint of "Norwich Standard." At the same time I felt somewhat sorry, saying to myself: "Here is another disappointed exhibitor," and had he not signed himself "Norwich Standard," I should have come to the conclusion that he had expected to see a Border Fancy Society's Nest Feather Show! He is undoubtedly either a raw novice or is trying to have a rap at the judge. I was a visitor to the show, and I can tell him that if he has any Norwich smaller than the largest he saw at Gorton, he must not build any hopes of getting very high up the ladder of fame in the birdy world with them. If anything beats a good little one it is a good big one; and don't forget that young are like a flower in bloom—there and gone in a few days. With several fanciers

that have had a life time experience, I passed a remark about the shortness of the "ungainly creatures," that our friend has called these leading birds. I am sure the type and quality throughout were something for the society to be proud of, and only in one class would I have changed the decision of the judge. But never mind lad, have another try, and don't mix the Borders with the Norwich.

SIZE, TYPE, AND QUALITY.

How's this for Hybrid Breeding?

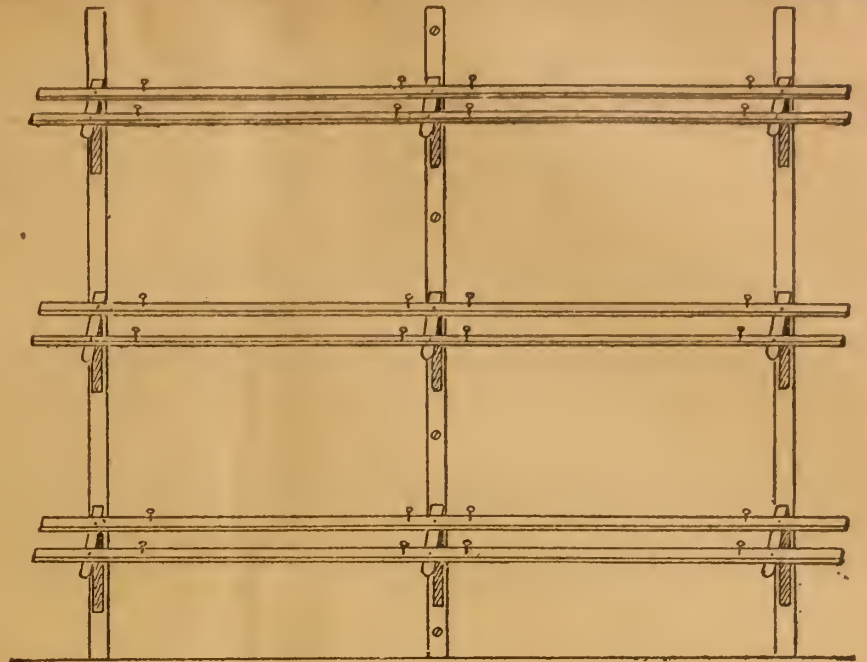
Sir,—I have had sixteen eggs from a cock Goldfinch and hen Greenfinch this year; fourteen eggs were fertile, one was clear, and one she dropped from the perch. I had ten young ones hatch out from the fourteen eggs, but through bad feeding hens I have only reared four. Two of them are on the perches, and the other two doing well in nest. I have never possessed a Goldfinch in all my life until last November, and for him I gave the sum of 3s.

G. H. BALL.

Cage Birds in the Army.

Sir,—Soldiers on home stations are not permitted to keep singing birds in barrack rooms. Birds "that are not classed as songsters" may be kept provided permission to this effect is obtained from the commanding officer, but the question as to what birds this clause can refer to is such a difficult one to solve that it is still a subject for speculation. On foreign stations this regulation is not always strictly observed and many barrack rooms boast birds in cages. This regulation does not refer to the married men. In the married quarters cage birds are plentiful. This state of affairs is responsible for the stock saying in the Army if a man is going to be married "He's bought the Canary." And as a fact it is generally one of the first presents the newly-married soldier makes to his bride. Nine out of every ten canteens have a bird or two in cages, though the conditions (the tobacco smoke in particular) are not really suitable for birds. On foreign stations Parrots are often seen in cages. No soldier in home quarters would dream of requesting leave to bring a Parrot into barracks! These regulations refer equally to officers or men. One of the supposedly hardest tasks of the batman who serves the sergeant-major and who is popularly credited with having an easy time, is to "clean out Missus Sergeant-Major's bird cage." This remark has led to fisticuffs before to-day.

LEFT WHEEL.



WAINSCOT

ADVICE ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF CAGE RACKS.

Sir,—Your correspondent, "R.S." seeks advice on Bird Room Racks, and I enclose sketch which I hope will assist. Let him (or her) secure strips of wood 3/4 inch thick by 1 1/2 inches wide, and from 5 to 6 feet long. If the wall is of lath and plaster, find the joists, and screw strips to wall with 2 1/2 inch screws, countersinking the heads; if wall is stone or brick it will be necessary to plug the same before screwing. Having procured sets of "Girder Brackets" nine to ten inches long, let him screw the shorter side of the brackets to the uprights on the wall at such distances in height, as will suit the height of his cages. He will be able by this means to remove any single cage at will. This will enable him to get three tiers of cages on a 6ft. upright—the bottom of the upright resting on the top of the wainscot. Next let him screw two strips of batten on

each of the brackets, the length of these according to requirement, and drive into these cross strips four flat headed nails for each cage, so that they stand 3/4 inch. out of the wood. Cover these nails with vaseline, and stand one cage on each four nails. No red mite will ever pass from cage to cage. One 3/4 inch floor-board will cut four strips of batten. "Girder Brackets" cost me 5d. per pair. They should never be more than three feet apart, nor more than three to four inches from the end of the strips, or the strips are liable to warp. Be sure and secure those brackets that are almost square inside, and avoid having the screws in the upright directly under the screws in the bracket, or you will find great difficulty in fixing brackets at proper heights or intervals. The cages will be two inches from the wall and three inches from each other.—C. B. JOLIFFE (Rev.).

DID BIRDS ORIGINATE FROM REPTILES?

An Appeal for "Missing Links."

Sir,—I must have hit Mr. J. Allen pretty sharp, as he indulges in cheap sneers instead of producing facts. If there is a sensible answer to my query, "What has become of the monkey's tails?" Why not give it, Mr. Allen, and settle the question by sound argument? The fact is evolutionists are asking us to believe things which have never been proved, and even some of the greatest scientists of the day honestly admit that many of the theories propounded by evolutionists are very doubtful. Supposing then, that birds did originate from reptiles, it is surely reasonable to suppose that that process of evolution is still in operation; if so, then it ought to be possible for someone to procure something in the intermediate state, viz., half reptiles, half birds, or in other words to procure the missing link, and until this missing link has been found either between "monkeys and men," or between "reptiles and birds," evolutionists must not be surprised if just a few use their common sense upon the question, and refuse to accept every theory advanced.

J. C. WILMOT.

[The anthropoid (or "man-like") apes do not possess tails. Mr. Wilmot can verify this at any museum, or at the London Zoo. And these apes are the nearest living "link" 'twixt monkey and man known to evolutionists.—EDITOR.]

Is this a Reversion to an Ancestral Characteristic?

Sir,—With reference to this correspondence, "Did Birds Originate from Reptiles?" it may interest your readers to learn that I have just bred a young Norwich Plainhead cock with three claws growing from the butt of its right wing. The claws, with three short feathers growing from their bases, stand out almost at right angles to the bird's body. They are quite hard, and similar to the claws on its feet, only smaller. The bird is at present four weeks old, and is a typical marked buff Norwich in every other respect.

I do not think that any scientist claims that birds are descended from reptiles, but I believe it is unanimously acknowledged now that birds and reptiles are descended from some common ancestor, at present unknown. A diagram of a modern bird's wing (see "Bird Life," by Pycraft), shows that a bird's wing is composed of its arm bones, and index

finger, with the remains of two other fingers. I assume that my little bird has the rudiments of the two missing digits as well, with claws attached, and also a claw growing from the thumb. I will gladly show the little bird to anyone wishing to see it, if they apply to you, Mr. Editor, for my address (Bournemouth).

I should advise anyone interested in the descent and structure of birds, and who has not yet studied the subject, to invest 1s. in Mr. Pycraft's little book "Bird Life" (which is a summary of his larger work, "The History of Birds"), and acquaint himself with the opinions of scientists on the subject, and their reasons for forming these opinions, before ignorantly condemning them wholesale.

VIOLET BOXER.

A Defence of Evolution.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. McLean's letter I may say that I do indeed wish to "foist" upon the readers of CAGE BIRDS the idea that birds were descended from winged reptiles, winged reptiles from wingless ones, and men from animals, which, though not to be found in any Zoo, we should, if we could see them alive to-day, unhesitatingly describe as monkeys. I will even go further, and at the risk of Mr. McLean making an application to have me confined as a dangerous lunatic, state that I believe that man, monkeys, reptiles, and insects, are all descended from minute jelly-like creatures, such as the microscope reveals to us in a pool of stagnant water.

Mr. McLean being so firm a disbeliever in the theory of evolution, presumably considers the science of geology as so much "bunkum." If he did not, he would be aware that certain formations of rock are known to be older than others and to give a date to the animal and plant remains found in them. In the oldest of these rocks we get the remains of shellfish and strange creatures distantly related to modern lobsters and crabs, but no bones of reptiles, birds, or beasts. Later, we find the remains of fishes and reptiles, but not of warm-blooded animals, which, when they do appear, show by their bones that they were simple in structure and reptilian in character and generally of small size. With the appearance of mammals on the scene the task of the evolutionist becomes easier, and the development of, for

instance, the modern horse from a curious little five-toed animal the size of a dog, is obvious to anyone who has had the chance of seeing the skeleton of the ancestral form side by side with that of the modern one, and all the various "missing links," of which a very complete chain has been discovered. Monkeys do not make their appearance until quite a late stage in the history of the world and, as one would expect, the bones of the earliest monkeys show them to have been "simple" forms, probably of low intelligence and very inferior to the higher (tail-less) apes.

But to return to the birds, Mr. McLean says that in my reference to the "archæopteryx" I have described a winged reptile. I have certainly described a creature uncommonly like one, but I omitted to mention that the fossilized mud in which the remains were found, contained the clearest imprint of that peculiarly avian-characteristic, feathers, as anyone who has visited the original specimen in a Continental museum, or seen the cast of it at South Kensington, may observe for himself! Mr. McLean says that there are some reptiles which do not reproduce by eggs, and some birds which have no scales on their legs. With all deference, I can positively state that there is not a single reptile in existence whose young are not hatched from eggs, though, as in the case of the viper, these may never actually leave the body of the parent. I must confess, too, that I cannot, for the moment, call to mind any bird whose legs and feet are entirely without trace of scales; but even if such are to be found, they are so exceedingly few in number that I cannot see that my argument is weakened.

The suggestion made in another letter that experiments should be conducted with the more bird-like reptiles does not take into consideration the fact that changes like that from reptile to bird do not take ten years, nor a hundred years, nor a thousand years, but a period of time so vast that the human brain is incapable of properly realising it. Very likely, too, the conditions of the world of to-day are unfavourable to such a change, for even winged reptiles—the first step in the evolution of the bird—have been extinct for untold ages.

In one point I do, however, agree with Mr. McLean. He says that evolution does not

explain the origin of life. That it can never do, any more than it can tell us at what precise period in man's upward progress the Creator saw that man had attained to the degree of intelligence essential to the proper comprehension of His Being. For all that, there is, to my mind; nothing in the theory of evolution which conflicts with those portions of the Bible which are neither allegorical nor founded more or less entirely on human tradition.

K. WELLS.

Was the Doctor Wrong?

Sir,—Mankind has always resisted with marvellous and inexplicable fury any disturbance of settled belief. It was against this spirit that the pioneers of the evolution theory had to battle. "Man is an upright being; the monkey goes on all fours," says one of the writers last week. Was it ever thus? I was reminded very forcibly a short time ago of "our old family tree in Zanzibar." A friend had been operated on for appendicitis. The doctor was explaining how a certain organ had to be removed; it was, he said, a useless one. "You see," he exclaimed, "only if you get like this (on all fours) does the organ become one of utility." And though a religionist the doctor expressed his belief that in some remote period man went about on all fours. Was the doctor wrong?

I hold no brief for evolution, yet in my study of birds I see a case for evolution. All our authorities assert that the many varieties had a common ancestor. Where are all the variations which the Canary has passed through in its development into the forms now existing? We cannot produce the "missing links." Is this a denial of our many authorities' conclusions?

R. SOUTHWARD.

They Would, Without a Doubt!

Sir,—I was pleased to see at least one sensible letter on the above subject; I am referring to the one written by Mr. John Craig. As he puts it, we should deal with facts, and not theory. I would like to remind some of those professors that you are offering handsome prizes to those who produce any new variety of mule or hybrid, and no doubt same would be awarded to any person who produces a bird from a reptile, or shall I say a cross between a bird and a reptile! When someone does that then we can do no other than fall in with the views of those who would have us believe that such was the origin of birds.

PERCY A. THURLEY.

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EAST HAM F.A.

F.F. show, July 16. Judge, Mr. J. A. Palmer. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Boshier; 2, 3, Wadsworth; res, Potter. NOR.: 1, 2, Turner; 3, Wadsworth; vhc, he, Wells. A.O.V.: 1, Boshier; 2, Wells; 3, Potter; vhc, Wadsworth. GR. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Daws. MULE: 1, 2, Turner.—W. Kite, Hon. Sec.

BOWLING B.F.A.

F.F. Show, St. John's School, July 25. Mr. W. A. Cowling judged, and gave entire satisfaction. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Casey; 2, Padgett; 3, Robinson; 4, Thompson. BUFF: 1, 3, Padgett; 2, Robinson; 4, Bieyard. GR. MKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Padgett; 2, Robinson. NOV.: 1, Casey; 2, 3, Padgett; 4, Thompson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Wardman; 3, Wood and Mirfield; 4, Powell. BUFF: 1, 3, Wood and Mirfield; 2, Nicholl; 4, Wardman. GR. MKD. YELL.: 1, 3, H. Hodgson; 2, A. Wardman. BUFF: 1, Wardman; 2, Hodgson; 3, 4, Powell. J. Nicholls, Sec. Please write on one side of the paper only.—(Ed.).

BOOTLE C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 4. 90 birds faced the judge, and some really good youngsters were among them. There were some nice specials to fight for, which made competition a bit keen. Mr. R. Algie won most points in show, and is well ahead for the cup presented by the sec.; Mr. Skilling won sp. for best bird with a very nice yellow. Other winners of specials were Algie, Handley, Plunkett, Vogel, and Croft. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe judged, and gave full satisfaction. CLASS 1 (13): 1, 3, c, Skilling; 2, he, Plunkett; vhc, Southwood. CLASS 2 (15): 1, 2, he, c, Algie; 3, Handley; vhc, Skilling. CLASS 3 (3): 1, 3, Algie; 2, Hamilton. CLASS 4 (4): 1, 2, Handley; 3, Algie; vhc, Skilling. CLASS 5 (14): 1, Algie; 2, Cooper; 3, Plunkett; vhc, Cooper; he, Hamilton; c, Handley. CLASS 6 (14): 1, 3, Algie; 2, Handley; vhc, Skilling; he, Evans; c, Plunkett. CLASS 7 (2): 1, Vogel; 2, Handley. CLASS 8 (8): 1, 3, vhc, Vogel; 2, Algie; he, Handley; c, Cooper. CLASS 24 (4): 1, Vogel; 2, J. W. Handley; 3, T. Pyc; vhc, Croft. CLASS 25 (8): 1, Pyc; 2, 3, vhc, Croft; he, Vogel; c, W. Handley. CLASS 29 (3): 1, Pyc; 2, 3, J. W. Handley.—L. S. Hamilton, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Show of young birds and British headquarters, Marlboro' Hotel, Small Heath, July 18, over 50 birds being staged, the excellency of the Yorkshires being very noticeable and much commented upon by the judge, Mr. G. Baker, whose awards gave every satisfaction. Great praise is due to Messrs. Yardley, J. Hughes, Willmott, Constable, Raby, and Sec. for the arrangements were carried out also thanks to Mr. Williamson for use of room and the splendid tea provided. Sp. winners, most points at the two shows under cup rules, Mr. Hughes, also most points at the last show. Silver medal best Nov. Yorks., Mr. Thompson, with charming mkd. Yorks.; best bird, Mr. Burke, excellently staged young yellow Yorkie, one of the best seen from this breeder's room for some years. Points towards cups: Hughes 15, total two shows, 29; Cowley 13, total 26; J. Burke 17, total 25; Bayliss 9, total 14; Constable 4. Brit. cup: Raby 13, Johnson 8.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.

(6): 1, sp., Burks; 2, Hughes; 3, 4, Burke. A.O.V. (9): 1, Burke; 2, Bayliss; 3, Hughes. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Constable. NOV. YORKS. (10): 1, sp., Thompson; 2, 3, Rees. MULES, LIGHT 1914: 1, Raby; 2, 3, Willmott. GOLDF. OR BULF.: 1, Raby; 2, Willmott. A.O.V.: 1, 3, 4, Raby; 2, Johnson.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Y.B. show, "The Eagle," Park Place, Clapham, July 22. Entries were very short all round, owing doubtless to the lateness of the show, but some very fine specimens were shown, indicating that Clapham fanciers will have to be reckoned with at coming open shows. Mr. J. Robson judged, and Mr. T. J. Hose again proved his great value to the association in his secretarial capacity, and it is a pity he was not better supported in entries, as only 60 birds were staged.

NOR. CL. NOV.

(3): 1, 2, 3, Taylor. A.O.V. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Taylor. YORKS. CL. CHAMP. (9): 1, 2, c, Warley; 3, vhc, he, Whitton. A.O.V. (5): 1, 2, 3, Whitton; absent, Clarke (2). CL. NOV. (5): 1, 2, 3, Phillips; vhc, he, Humphries. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, Phillips; 3, Humphries. HYB. OLD (6): 1, 2, Vale; 3, vhc, Taylor; he, c, Cooper. GOLDF. (2): 1, Coe; 2, Cooper. BULF. (1): 1, Cooper. LINNET (1): 1, Cooper. GREENE (1): 1, Coe. BRAMBLE (1): 1, Vale. CHAFF. (1): 1, Coe. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, Coe; 2, Cooper. LESSER REDPOUL (1): 1, Coe; abs., Vale. REED BUNTING (1): 1, Coe. A.O. BUNTING (1): 1, Coe. F.M. (3): 1, 2, Coe; 3, Cooper. INSECTIV., SMALL (1): 1, Vale. LARGE (1): 1, Vale. FOR. SEED-EATING (2): 1, 2, Cooper. INSECTIV. (1): 1, Vale.—A. R. Coe, Reporter.

CARDIFF.

2nd young bird show, July 15, at Naish's. Entries again not so good as expected. Some of the champions are having sorry times, losing quite a number after the birds have been doing for themselves. What is the cause? Novices here are gaining ground, and some of the older hands must buck up if they want to retain their position. Once more, not a single Britisher was in evidence, while only one solitary young Mule (Allsopp) graced the benches, a very promising ionque Canary-bufffinch, which should be heard of again. Mr. Allsopp staged also a clinking el. yell. Nor., and won Mr. Bank's 10s. sp. for best in show. Mr. Charles' Yorks., which gained the honour last time, was just beaten on condition (moulting), but managed to secure sp. for best novice shown in champ. classes. Most pts. nov. Nor., Merry; nov. Yorks., Charles; most pts. Bord., Wiseman. Sec. Mr. Thomas, now quite an adept at his work, together with the stewards, had everything well in hand. Cards were up in quick time, and no grumbling was heard. Judges, Mr. E. J. Banks (Yorks.) and Mr. E. J. Davies (remainder).

NOR. YELL.: 1, Allsopp, cl., grand size, type, col., and qual. BUFF: 1, Allsopp, cyc mkd., fine size, good qual. YELL. VAR.: 1, Phelps, fine subs., nice head and neck, lovely qual.; 2, Allsopp. BUFF: 1, Townsend, grand full chest and neck, nice in wings and tail; 2, Merry. NOV. YELL.: 1, Phillips, cl., nice subs. and col., trifle long; 2, 3, Merry. BUFF: 1, Phillips, cl., good size and col., fine neck; 2, Phelps. YELL. VAR.: 1, Phelps, heavily mkd., extra cobby, lovely col., nice head and neck; 2, Jepson; 3, Merry. BUFF: 1, Townsend, grand subs., col. and qual., trifle broad; 2, 3, Phelps; 4, Merry. YORKS. YELL.: 1, vhc, Dugmore; splendid wing tkd., good head, legs and tail, wings over bit at times, other-wise good; 2, he, c, Brown; 3, Stockin; 4, Gooding. BUFF: 1, sp., Charles, the wonderful buff described last show; 2, Brown; 3, Dugmore. YELL. VAR.: 1, Brown, good big fellow, head and wing mkd., grand qual., with good moult should prove a winner. BUFF: 1, 4, Brown, cinn. mkd., good head, neck, and position, but not over long; 2, Dugmore; 3, Stockin, NOV. YELL.: 1, vhc, Charles, cl., good length and style, neat head, well-braced wings; 2, Palmer; 3, Stockin; 4, Deere. BUFF: 1, 3, vhc,

Charles, good body, tkd. on cheek, grand qual. and position; 2, Stockin; 4, Deere; he, c, Gooding. YELL. VAR.: 1, Deere, head and wing mkd., nice length, erect position, good one; 2, Palmer; 3, Stockin. BUFF: 1, Palmer, very neat, good length, back, and lights, nice pos.; 2, vhc, Deere; 3, Stockin; 4, Charles. BORD. YELL.: 1, 3, Wiseman, cl., regular little swall, grand feather and eyes, nice taper; 2, 4, Merry. BUFF: 1, 2, Wiseman, lovely and stylish cl., grand col. and qual.; 3, 4, vhc, Merry. VAR.: 1, Pearce, charming col. and qual., nicely staged; 2, 3, Merry. A.O.V. BORD.: 1, 2, Wiseman, 1 buff chin, fair col., very shapely, neat head, fine qual.; 3, Pearce. MULE: 1914: 1, Allsopp, very sweet yell., Can. Greenf., lovely qual., col., and coul., wonderful wing margins.

MANSFIELD C.B.S.

Table show, July 25. A record entry for a table show was the result, and Judge Marshall had by no means an easy task. Yorks. turned up in good numbers and the birds of Mr. Cantrell and Mr. Toplis were well filled and some good birds were well staged.

CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, Shepherd; 2, Vardy. BUFF: 1, Shepherd. VAR. OR DK. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 3, vhc, Vardy; 2, he, Shepherd. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Pickering. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Vardy; he, Pickering. VAR. OR DK. YELL.: 1, 2, he, Gabbitas and Son; 3, c, Vardy; vhc, Hare. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Hare. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Taylor, 3, vhc, he, Holland. VAR. OR DK. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Holland. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Cantrell; 3, vhc, Worton; he, Toplis. BUFF: 1, 3, Toplis; 2, vhc, Johnson; he, Worton; c, Cantrell. VAR. OR DARK YELL.: 1, Johnson; 2, 3, Cantrell. BUFF: 1, 2, Cantrell; 3, vhc, Toplis; he, c, Worton. CREST: 1, Norwood. C.B.: 1, Norwood. BRIT. HARD-BILL: 1, 3, vhc, Mallatratt; 2, c, Sankey and Leivers; he, Blythe. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Mallatratt.—Robin Hood.

ALTRINCHAM (Open) C.B.S.

N.F. Show, July 25, Rigny Memorial Schools. Entries were not so large as expected owing to some members being away on holidays, however, some very good young birds were staged. Mr. J. Critchley judged, and gave entire satisfaction. There was a good attendance, and the show was very successful. A class for cottagers' pet birds was very well patronised, having 13 entries.

YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Hawkins; 2, 3, Jackson; 4, Hickson. BUFF: 1, Hawkins; 2, Hickson; 3, Farnworth. VAR. YELL.: 1, Jackson; 2, Hickson; 3, Jackson. BUFF: 1, Hickson. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, Hickson; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Heatley. A.V. YELL. OLD B.: 1, 3, Hallworth; 2, Jackson. BUFF: 1, Hickson; 2, 4, Hallworth; 3, Hawkins; vhc, Jackson. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Wakefield. BUFF: 1, Foster; 2, Wakefield. GR. SELF OR FOUL: 1, 4, Wakefield; 2, 3, Harrison. YELL. OLD: 1, 2, Harrison; 3, Foster. BUFF: 1, 2, Harrison. GOLDF.: 1, Drinkwater; 2, Broadbent. BULF.: 1, Leicester. GREENF.: 1, Drinkwater. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE: 1, Drinkwater. REDPOL, ETC.: 1, Drinkwater. MULES OR HYB.: 1914: 1, 2, Broadbent. COTTAGERS' PET BIRD: 1, Mrs. Boydell. Yell. Bord.: 2, Derbyshire, Yorks. Buff; 3, Clough; 4, Johnson; vhc, c, Steele; he, Bailey.—Chas. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

DUBLIN (South Co.) C.B.A.

F.F. Show, July 25, Town Hall, Kingstown. Entries far exceeded the expectation of the committee, as there were over 80 birds staged. The Town Hall is an ideal place for a show, as it is so conveniently situated, and this, together with a large list of cash and other specials, brought out some good ones. Another great feature of the show was the juvenile section, and the committee thought it advisable to give three classes British to recruits and 24 entries were received. The committee gave six cash prizes in each of these sections, as an encouragement to bring them along to join the older ranks. It was amusing to see the happy faces when the winners first cards were placed on the cages, and we wish them every success. The Norwich section was very good, and some fine birds were staged. Yorks, as usual, were the special feature. Messrs. Began, Sholedice, McKeone, and Graham won the sps., and Mr. Began also won sp. for best bird with a very good buff hen. Foster and Waters won the sps. in Nor., and Foster also won sp. for best bird. There was a fine class of Mules. Foster and Ward won sps in this section. Mr. Smyth, the hard-working Sec., had everything in apple-pie order. Mr. Barelay judged Canaries, and Mr. Carrol, Brit., and their awards gave every satisfaction. Lynch won diploma for best bird in juvenile section.

YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, sp, vhc, Began, well up on legs, good flights, size and wings, nice bird; 2, 3, Sholedice; he, Clery; c, Waters. HEN: 1, 2, sp, Sholedice, pair of nice ladies, neat heads, good wings and carr., fine legs; 3, he, Began; vhc, McKeone. BUFF CK.: 1, sp, Sholedice, very stylish, good cond., nice head, wings, and stood well up; 2, 3, Began; vhc, he, McNally; c, Clery. HENS: 1, he, sp, sp, for best bird, Began, perfect Yorks., wins easily, very stylish, long wings, straight as a pole, good head and neck, fine size; 2, McKeone; 3, Sholedice; vhc, Clery; c, Reilly. TKD. CK.: 1, vhc, sp, Began, nice head, neck, wings, and stood well up; 2, 3, c, Sholedice; he, Graham. HEN: 1, sp, vhc, Began, very neat lady, nice style and pos. good lengthy flights, well up on legs; 2, Graham; 3, c, McKeone; he, Sholedice. NOR.: 1, sp, sp, for best bird, 3, c, Foster, leader, very chubby, good size, nice wing carr.; 2, Waters; vhc, he, Waters. MULE: 1, sp, Foster, good Goldf.-Mule, good size, nice Goldf., wings and head, when moulted will be hard to beat; 2, 3, vhc, he, c, Ward.

JUVENILE. A.V. FINCH: 1, sp, 3, K. Graham, Greenf., good feather and col., nice size; 3, hen, very good cond. and feather; 2, vhc, he, F. Graham, Goldf., good square blaze, nice buttons, good moons; c, Brougham. LINNET: 1, sp, Pierce Bros., good size, well peucciled, nice cond.; 2, Broderick, richer than winner, but not so well pencilled; 3, Goodwin, nice Brown, good markings, but rather small; vhc, Halligan; he, Graham; c, Byrne. A.O.B.: 1, 3, dip., best bird in juvenile: Lynch, two very good Redpolls, tight in feather, good qual., well staged; 2, vhc, K. Graham; 2, good Siskin, nice bib, good feather, but small.

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Oct. 7, 8.—Wattford C.B.S.—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Road.).
Oct. 10.—Leeds C.B.S.—(E. Norton, 11, Edgware Pl., Bayswater Rd.). W.M., G.H., J.M.
Oct. 10.—Crewe O.S.—(N. L. Croft, 38, Cemetery Rd.). C.H.
Oct. 13-14.—Plymouth (W.C.O.S.).—(F. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.).
Oct. 14-15.—Clapham C.B.A.—(T. J. Hose, 5, Wells Crescent, Camberwell, S.E.).
Oct. 16-17.—Burnley C.B.S.—(G. Wharton, 84, Oxford Road.). J.C.B., C.A.H.
Oct. 17.—Burton-on-Trent.—(A. Wood, 10, South Oak St.).
Oct. 21.—Abertillery C.B.S.—(G. Broong, 30, Powell St.). J.R.
Oct. 21.—Torbay O.S. Paignton. (J. N. Jeffery, Sartor House, Winner St., Paignton). J.H.P.
Oct. 21-22.—Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—(W. H. Gibb, 19, Bond St., Brighton). G.G., H.N.
Oct. 22.—Oxford C.B.S.—(C. F. Holliday, 58, George St., Oxford). J.R.
Oct. 22.—Hanley C.B.S.—(C. Beckett, 46, Woodhead Rd., Bircheshead, Hanley).
Oct. 23-24.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.). W.M., W.A.C., J.C.B., C.H., G.L.
Oct. 23-24.—Newcastle-on-Tyne.—(J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Rd.).
Oct. 24.—Middlesbrough and Tees-side C.B.S.—(J. Swincoe, 125, Ayresome St.) T.D., T.B., F.M.
Oct. 27-28-29.—Crystal Palace Autumn Show (J. W. Ramsden, 11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, S.W.).
Oct. 28.—Windsor C.B.A.—(H. W. Simms, 34, Bexley St.). H.N.
Oct. 30-31.—Manchester and N.C.O.S.—(F. Hayward, 21, Marlborough Avenue, Manley Park, Manchester).
Nov. 3-4.—Barnstaple and N. Devon C.B.S.—(J. D. Morrill, 17, King Edward St.) D.A.L.
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Nov. 4-5.—Chalfont C.B.S.—(A. S. Treasure, 14, Rotunda Terrace.) J.R., W.B., D.A.S.L.
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Nov. 7.—Hartlepool C.B.S.—(T. E. Pymon, West House, Grange Rd., W. Hartlepool).
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Nov. 13-14.—Hull C.B.S.—(L. Heseltine, 48, Manvers St., Newland Avenue).
Nov. 13-14.—Warrington C.B.S.—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Road.) J.C.B., J.H., J.D.L.
Nov. 13-14.—Nottingham and Notts O.S.—(J. G. Royce, 29, Tennyson St.). T.H., W.V., H.S.C.
Nov. 13-14.—Blaydon-on-Tyne C.B.S.—(G. Haver, 1, Theresa St.).
Nov. 17-18.—Hastings and St. Leonards C.B.S.—(Miss Kirk-Bullock, 6, Holmsdale Gardens, Hastings).
Nov. 18-19.—Southend and S. Counties O.S.—(Deer and Cundy, 22, Rayleigh Avenue, Westcliff-on-Sea).
Nov. 18-19.—Portsmouth and S. Counties C.B.S.—(G. T. Hall, 54, North End Grove.) J.R., H.N.
Nov. 19.—Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—(J. Pitchford, 218, London Rd.).
Nov. 20-21.—Preston O.S. (W. H. Cottam, 202, Aqueduct St.).
Nov. 20-21.—Haltwhistle C.B.S.—(W. Tallantyre, South View.) W.C.D., T.C.C., A.H.
Nov. 20-21.—Halifax O.S.—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., W.V.
Nov. 20-21.—Rotherham C.B.S.—(Taylor and Bailey, 26, Tusmore St., Ebbingsham St.). J.C.B.
Nov. 24-25.—Bristol C.B.S.—(Mrs. B. L. Pool, 37, Manor Rd., Bishopston, Bristol). G.G.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

F.F. show, Town Hall, July 25. Yorks. were the outstanding feature in numbers and quality, but a Norwich shown by Mr. C. R. Evans took the prize for best bird in show. Borders took second place in numbers, and some very nice Greens were exhibited. The show was poorly attended, probably owing to Poplar being on the same date. Stewards were Messrs. Daw, Ferridge, Webb, and Potten.—F. Onslow, hon. sec.

From catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: AMAT. YORKS.: Parker, Farmer NOV. YORKS.: Baxter, Thomas, Smith, Collinge, Blackman, Ballard. AMAT. NOR.: Evans, Dalton, Parker. NOV. NOR.: Burrows, Ferridge, Wadsworth. AMAT. BORD.: Potten. NOV. BORD.: Kybert, Daw. A.O.V.: Park and Webb. MULES: Manning, Park and Webb. Mrs. Ballard. BRIT.: Parker, Dalton, Park and Webb, Wadsworth.—(Editor).

NORTH YORKS. AND S. DURHAM FEDERATION.

First annual F.F. show, July 25, Clubroom of the Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S. An entry of 101 in 11 classes. The two champion Yorkshire classes numbered 31, and Norwich 25 in two classes. Mr. J. Hill, of Thornaby, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

YORKS. CL. ETC.: 1, Taylor; 2, c, Pymon; 3, Mays and Allinson; 4, vhc, he, Carlisle. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Taylor; 2, Chesworth; 3, Carlisle; 4, he, Pymon; vhc, c, Mays and Allinson. NOR. CL. ETC.: 1, vhc, Watson; 2, Mays and Allinson; 3, Carr; 4, Rand; he, Barrett; c, Pymon. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Watson; 2, 4, Angell; 3, he, Carr; vhc, Swincoe; c, Mays and Allinson. A.O.V.: 1, Yeates; 2, Angell; 3, 4, Lowes and Son. LINNET: 1, Cook; 2, c, Wright; 3, Clark; 4, Mallory; vhc, Yeates; he, Lowes and Son. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Wright; 2, 3, Lowes and Son. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Mays and Allinson; 2, 3, Hind; 4, J. G. Cook. YORKS. NOV.: 1, Robinson; 2, Pymon; 3, Graham; 4, Cook; vhc, Cunnell; he, Dodsworth; c, Wilson. NOR.: 1, 3, 4, Bibby; 2, c, Thornton; vhc, Pymon; he, Waraker. A.O.V.: 1, Graham.—J. W. Lowes, Hon. Sec.

- Nov. 26, 27, 28.—London C.B.A. (Jas. Bray, Jun., 67, St. Dunstan's Pl., Hammer Smith.) J.T., E.J.R., A.C., H.L.C., F.E., J.R., A.B., C.P., J.D., A.J.M.
Nov. 26.—Grantham C.B.S.—(H. Lowther, 44, Cambridge St.) W.P.B.
Nov. 27-28.—Sale C.B.S.—(H. Whitney, 10, Brook St.) A.H., E.B.
Nov. 28.—Stockbridge and Dis. C.B.S. (Sampson and Moore, Gracken Moor, Deepcar.) J.C.B.
Nov. 28.—Ainwick C.B.S.—(W. A. Broadley, 12, Clayport St.).
Dec. 2.—Bishop Auckland.—(R. Elliott, 1, Diamond Terr., Butterknowle.) W.M.
Dec. 2-3.—City of Birmingham C.B.S. (J. H. Jones, 160, Church Lane, Aston.) J.R.
Dec. 3.—Abersychan C.B.S.—(F. Sweeting, 22, Caradoc St., Penllyn, Abersychan.) H.W.B.
Dec. 4.—Bradford Nat. C.B.S.—(S. Midgeley, 10, Victoria St., Clapham, Bradford.)
Dec. 4-5.—Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.—T. Parbury, 14, Dent St.).
Dec. 5.—Cramlington C.B.S.—(J. R. Chestney, Quarry Cott.) A.H., J.L., T.D.
Dec. 5-7.—Ilkeston C.B.S.—(G. Siddown, 45, Lower Granby St.) W.V., C.H.
Dec. 9-10.—Portsmouth F.S.—(G. J. Kirtan, 110, Lonsdesboro' Rd., Southsea).
Dec. 10.—Selby and Dis. C.B.S. (J. Cliff, 78, Brook St., Selby).
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Jan. 21-22.—Wolverhampton C.B.S.—(W. Harrison, 45, Darlington St.) J.R.

Scotland.

- Oct. 10.—Lochgelly C.B.S.—(R. Muir, Station Rd.). W.D.H., E.B., J.F.D., R.L., R.W., J. McL.
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Oct. 31.—Kirkcaldy C.B.S.—(T. Arnott, 14, St. Clair St.).
Oct. 31.—Forfar C.B.S.—(D. Kerr and J. Robertson, 15, Green St.).
Oct. 31.—Ayr C.B.C.—(R. Aitken, 30, Allison St.).
Nov. 7.—Bo'ness.—(T. Cameron, 7, Ash Terrace Grangepens, Bo'ness).
Nov. 7.—Brechin C.B.S.—(J. Crabb, 120, Montrose Street.) E.B., J.H., C.S.
Nov. 14.—Hamilton Cadzow Oak.—(W. Hamilton, 25, Orchard St.).
Nov. 14.—Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A.—(A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace.) T.M., H.W., J.R., J.V., J.A., J.S.
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Nov. 21.—Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—(A. Robertson, 56, Arthur Place) G.C.T.H., D.H., C.M., J.L., A.F., J.H., J.M.
Nov. 21.—Blairgowrie E. Perthshire O.A.—(M. Irvine, 17, Brown St.) J.A.
Nov. 28.—Dundee (City of) C.B.S.—(Andrew Law, 177, Blackness Rd.).
Dec. 5.—Thurso C.B.S. (J. Ewart, 19, Duthie St., Kirriemuir).
Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.).
Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh).
Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw).

Wales.

- Sept. 4.—Towyn.—(R. Roberts, Rhydygarnedd, Towyn.) C.W.
Nov. 4.—Kidwelly P.P. and C.B.S. (C. Price, "Velindro," Kidwelly.) J.H.P.
Nov. 18-19.—Cardiff C.B.S.—(E. Thomas, 48, Cradock St.).
Nov. 25.—Pontypridd F. & S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser St., Maesycod, Pontypridd).
Dec. 3.—Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—(E. Richards, Cardiff Arms Hotel, Treorchy).
Jan. 12.—Llanelli C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

Ireland.

- Oct. 27-28.—Leinster O.S.—(C. Holley, 66, Fitzroy Avenue, Dublin).
Dec. 4-5.—Newtownards C.B.S.—(W. Montgomery, 165, Mill Street).
Dec. 9-10.—Dublin S. County C.B.A.—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

DERBY C.B.S.

N.F. show, July 25, at Belper, the members going in brakes. On arriving, birds were quickly staged, and a fine show of young birds was judged by Messrs. J. Pegg and J. H. Drakely. Mr. Tapping won the draw for singing bird and cage, with ticket 947. Mr. G. Elkins, Belper, was in charge of the arrangements, and carried them out with complete satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, Hudson; 2, W. Twells. BUFF: 1, Morrell; 2, 3, Parnell; vhc, Smith. LIGHTLY MKD. YELL.: 1, Smith; 2, Twells; 3, Hunt; vhc, Mockeridge. BUFF: 1, Jordan; 2, vhc, Tongue; 3, he, Mockeridge; c, Hunt. GR. OR HEAVILY MKD. NOR.: 1, 2, Tongue; 3, Hunt. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, vhc, Wood; 2, Pass; 3, Barton; he, York; c, Cockeram. BUFF: 1, 2, Cockeram; 3, he, Smith; vhc, Pass; c, York. A.O.V. YORKS.: 1, vhc, he, Elkins; 2, Barton; 3, Cockeram. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, Parnell; 2, Jordan. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Thompson; vhc, he, Boufield.—F. W. Jordan, Hon. Sec.

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 Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S., Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.
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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CANARY WITH DIARRHOEA (A. M.).—You ought to have said how you are feeding the bird. See that all the foods and water supplied are quite sound and sweet, and that the vessels containing them are also kept scrupulously clean. If your dietary contains any material quantity of insect, this must be dropped out altogether for the time being. Give a staple of plain canary seed, and, in addition, give separately every second day a small teaspoonful of scalded summer rape, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and broken groats. Stop giving green food at present, and give instead a morsel of banana every second or third day. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence for one day, and after this give six drops each of tincture of gentian, and tincture of catechu daily until the looseness is stopped. Keep cage floor as clean as possible while the looseness lasts.

A NOISY ROLLER (Whistler, Ashton-under-Lyne).—(1) Is the whistling which you liken to the noise of a cricket produced consciously by the bird as a kind of whistle, or is it more like a bronchial wheeze? If the former, I am afraid it is merely a deterioration of the song, which might have come about spontaneously, or as the result of the bird being kept within hearing of common singers, or of other birds, some of whose notes it has acquired. In this case there is practically no prospect of your being able to cure the bird of the habit. The best thing you could do would be to keep it in the company of one or two good singers from the time it ceases to sing for moulting until it resumes its song, then keep it in a closed song box near the singing birds for a time, and now and again open the box for an hour or two to give it a chance to sing a little and show whether it has improved any from the tuition during its moult, closing it again as soon as the fault appears in any way pronounced for a while longer, and then giving it another trial. In this way you may improve the bird, but it is by no means certain, as the bird is far too well established in the fault, I fear, to break it. If the trouble is likely to be of a bronchial nature you had better write again and say where you keep the bird and how you feed it. (2) The noise which the cock makes may not have had anything at all to do with the hen laying unfertile eggs. The causes of this are so many and varied that it is useless speculating about it without having the fullest particulars to go upon. (3) A good and well-trained hollow Roller would probably suit you, but I cannot name any strain as being the best quality singers and having good feather and symmetry. It is rather a question of training and the receptive powers of the pupil than one of strain. Individuals vary in every strain, and if you want the best in song you must be a little blind to such fancy points as feather and symmetry.

LIES ON PERCH (Enquirer, Bank Quay).—You are probably keeping the bird in unwholesome surroundings, and in its inactive state it is also probably a little over-fat, so that the lump appearing on its chest is not unlikely an accumulation of fat. Keep it in a bright and healthful place, free from cold draughts, but well ventilated with fresh pure

air, and as equable as possible. Do not hang it near or over burning lights in the evenings, nor near the window. For the next fortnight give a diet of plain canary seed only, and once a week a morsel of bread and milk, and on two other days half a teaspoonful of summer rape. Give a liberal supply of green food daily. In the drinking water for the first week add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice every second day. In the next week give instead twenty drops of Chemical Food daily. In the next fortnight after this give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it, and on the alternate days add to the water twenty drops of whiskey, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken together.

WHITE COATING IN MOUTH (H. G.).—The young birds seem to have suffered from diphtheria, and the parents also must have had a milder form of the same complaint. It might have been imported with impure water or tainted sand or food. You could have done nothing at all with treating birds so young, but you should have promptly isolated them all, together with the cage they occupied, if you have other birds, as the disease is infectious. If the parents appear to be at all affected by the trouble now, get a chemist to mix you ten drops of pure carbolic acid and thirty drops of spirits of wine, in half an ounce of cinnamon water, and add fifteen drops of this mixture to the drinking water two days in every three for a week, and after this make the water slightly pink with a few drops of solution of permanganate of potash every second day for a week or two. Add a little lard and milk to the diet four times a week, and on each of the remaining days give a pinch of maw seed. Thoroughly clean and disinfect the cage before returning it to the vicinity of any other birds you may have.

SITTING IN NEST (Still Learning).—(1) There is no reason why the hen should not be quite a serviceable breeder next season, but one cannot go so far as to say she will or she will not with certainty. Only the actual trial will prove the matter. Your best course is to take away all nesting material and other inducements to continue nesting; turn the hen into a good-sized flight, where she can get plenty of vigorous exercise, and if she has a few companions to hustle her a little and thus prevent her moping, so much the better.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/3); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/3); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Then feed on a rather plain but wholesome diet through the winter months, and get her into a good hard condition ready for the beginning of next season. (2) Although you seem to have had a very bad season, I do not think it would be correct to say that the season had been a bad one generally. There are others who have done excellently. As your own failures have coincided exactly with a change of food for rearing the young, perhaps you had better return to that with which you have succeeded so well in previous seasons, or at least try the method with only a portion of your stock until you find you can succeed with it as well as your old method. Personally, I have not a good opinion of a soft food containing a large proportion of oatmeal.

SWELLING ON CHEST (Anxious).—I am strongly inclined to think that the swelling which you say is like a piece of fat is in reality an accumulation of fat. Try giving a diet of plain canary seed only for a month, supplementing this only with half a teaspoonful of summer rape twice each week, and a liberal supply of green food daily. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice every second day for a week. Then miss a week and repeat the doses again in the third week. If not better at the end of a month's treatment, write again, and repeat particulars.

BLINDNESS AND FATNESS (M. O. W.).—(1) Yes, unfortunately, there can be no doubt that the bird is becoming blind in the other eye. The greyness you describe is, I take it, the pupil of the eye showing a milky-white disc. It is undoubtedly a case of cataract, and nothing you can do will be of the least avail in saving the bird's sight. It will live healthily and happily enough in its own way, but on the whole it would do better in a cage by itself than in the aviary, as in the latter position it is apt to be somewhat at the mercy of any bullying inmate there may be among the occupants. Some blind birds, however, manage to take good care of number one, and are capable of acting the bullying role themselves at times. (2) The hen that is sleepy and puffy is most likely in an overfed condition. If she is in the aviary she is probably monopolising the good things in the bill of fare to a certain extent, and you cannot treat her properly in that position. Your best course is to cage her alone for a month or so in a good-sized cage in which she can get plenty of exercise, and treat her the same as advised to "Anxious" in this issue. You might do worse than add a teaspoonful of Epsom salts to half a pint of drinking water for all the birds in the aviary every second day for a week.

HAND-REARING YOUNG (Mrs. Basil Higgins).—Reduce the ordinary egg food to the consistency of thick cream with a little water, and give this by means of the "fill up" feed you have advised as much as the youngsters will gape for eagerly about every hour, beginning soon after sunrise and continuing until dusk in the evening. For about three hours during the morning, and again for a similar period in the afternoon, mix with the food in the feeder a little finely minced green salad. When about a fortnight old make the food a little firmer in consistency and add a fourth part of the bulk of soaked summer rape seed. Allow the latter to soak overnight, and crush it in the morning, at the same time removing as many of the husks as will come away conveniently before mixing it with the egg and bread or biscuit mixture, as the case may be. When rape is added to the food it causes it to become sour very quickly indeed, so you must mix only sufficient at one time to

last for an hour or two, according to the prevailing conditions of weather. At this period you may also add a little hemp freed from the husk, as you suggest, if you have patience to perform this tedious task. But it is not essential to do so, and you may defer giving hemp until the youngsters can pick over the seed, which you have slightly cracked for them, and thus help themselves. With these additions to the food and being also rather more solid, it may clog the feeder and prevent it working. In this case, trim a tiny strip of wood to a spatula shape, and place the food in convenient morsels with this, well back in the throat as they gape.

YOUNG AND MOULTING (E. M. T.).—(1) You make no mention of green food in the dietary of the young, and if you are giving this, it is just possible that a slight reduction in the quantity given would be all that is required to stop the looseness. You might also try adding a dusting of powdered cuttlefish in the egg food in place of the bismuth. It is best to leave drugs and chemicals of all descriptions alone when they can be done without. I think if you make your egg food of equal parts bread crumb, arrowroot biscuit, crushed soaked rape, and egg yolk you will find the trouble with the young disappear without the use of any remedial agent of any other kind. If your present food differs very materially from this, begin with it gradually, giving only a few feeds with it the first day. Do not cram them too much. Give only as much at each feeding time as they will gape for eagerly. It is quite right to keep a light cover over them until they are nicely feathered. (2) The sudden and excessive shedding of feathers is certainly the rapid onset of the moult, and is not at all a bad sign. Feed the birds rather liberally, and see that they are well protected from cold draughts, and all will go well. (3) The young Gold Lizard is clearly a weakling, and would doubtless do you the greatest service by joining its fathers. Anyway, give a staple diet of plain canary seed, and, in addition, every second day a teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a small teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with three drops of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed with it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and also give on these days a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, broken groats, and chopped sunflower seeds. Give a half-ripe plantain stalk daily. Keep it caged alone, and treat thus for a month at least. In the drinking water add twenty drops of Chemical Food every second day for a month.

RESTLESS BIDDY (Cyclops).—The habit of flying on to the wires of the cage and pecking at the feet is merely a restless habit to help to work off the surplus energy which most healthy unmated birds are full of just now. Some birds will be continually pecking at the wire, or perches, or nibbling the paint off the sides or lack of cage; and many other little schemes may be noticed in which they endeavour to work off their energy. There is nothing whatever wrong with the birds, neither is it due to parasites, as you fear. The same remarks apply to the presence of curled feathers in the tails of the two birds. This is caused by the birds frequently drawing the feathers through the beak and nibbling at the ends. You may straighten them by soaking them in warm water for a minute or two and then drawing them gently through the finger tips. Add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea to the water of these birds daily for a week. This will cool them and help to stop the restlessness.

LAYING FROM PERCH (A New Starter).—I am afraid you can do nothing at all more than you are already doing with a hen that refuses to lay in a nest and drops her eggs from the perch. That is, if her typical qualities make it worth while, to cover the cage floor with sawdust or oat-husk to prevent damage to the eggs, and having saved them so far, place them under other hens to be hatched and the young reared. If only a common hen of no particular quality, she is not worth troubling with, and I should discard her altogether as a breeding bird. You say nothing about her building traits. If it is that she has an abnormal twist and wants to nest in some particular place other than the one you select, you should humour her, even if it is to allow her to have the nest-box or pan on the cage floor. By doing so she may lay in the nest and incubate the eggs after the manner of any other self-respecting hen. But you cannot persuade her to lay in the nest if she prefers doing otherwise.

NON-SINGER BREEDING (Amethyst).—If the bird is in good sound health and active, there is really no reason why he should not breed successfully, even though he does not sing. Such cases are not infrequently met with, and they are the exceptions which go to prove the rule, as there is no getting away from the fact that the ideal condition for a breeding male is prime health and full song. These two essentials generally go together, as the average male in good health usually tries, at least, to make himself heard. In addition to the staple seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with half the quantity of a mixture of equal parts maw, sesame, and gold of pleasure mixed in it every second day for a week or two, and on the alternate days give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle. Give two crisp young leaves of dandelion daily. If really in good health this should have the effect of bringing him out in a week or two.

AVIARY ACCOMMODATION (E. E. Taylor).—(1) As I understand your sketch, the outdoor aviary contains only about twenty square feet of floor space, in which case you have far too many birds in it to have a fair chance of breeding. Four hens and two cock canaries would be ample, or you might have five hens and one cock Canary and one cock Goldfinch. Eight or nine nesting sites should be put up for this number of hens. The management is much the same as you will find in our handbooks for breeding indoors, except that you may be rather more liberal with such seeds as rape, hemp, etc., and broken goats or egg food. You would find full details of outdoor breeding in the first three numbers of "Our Canaries." (2) The C.P. aviary would answer very nicely to breed in with a pair of Rollers, provided it is not kept in a direct draught. Yes, it is advisable to separate the birds with the wire slide for a day or two to allow them to become acquainted with each other.

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

FEEDING A CUCKOO (Majestic).—In my opinion the Cuckoo is a very unsatisfactory cage bird, and scarcely worth the trouble and expense of keeping. They are particularly messy in habit, get bedraggled and dirty looking, no matter how well one attends to them, and they are the most difficult birds I know of to keep in perfect plumage. For some unknown reason any new feathers get frayed and broken before they have fully developed. In addition to these troubles, they seldom live for any length of time in a cage. Hand-reared specimens are exceedingly difficult to get to feed themselves; some will rather starve than do so. As regards food, they are not difficult birds to cater for. They will swallow almost anything that is offered them. At the same time I would advise you to give your bird a better class food than you are using at the present time. Procure a pound or so of good insecticide mixture, and to this you could add the same quantity of thoroughly soaked "Melox" or puppy biscuit, mixing enough for the day's consumption, or, if you preferred it, you could give him the insecticide food alone, adding a little hard boiled egg, chopped lettuce, or watercress; a little shredded meat would be acceptable, such as beef, mutton, fowl, or rabbit flesh. He must have insect life—beetles, caterpillars, grubs, flies, mealworms, and well scoured gentles. Discontinue the use of snails; they are not at all suitable. Use an absorbent covering for the draw-board of the cage—sawdust or sifted peat moss, and clean out daily.

WHAT BIRD? (Puzzled).—Your bird is an Ortolan Bunting, a bird of little value, but one which is frequently sold as a Nightingale. The latter bird, as everyone knows, is the king of songsters, whereas the Bunting scarcely sings at all. (2) Both sexes

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/3), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/3); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3/4); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

are very much alike, the hen being a bit paler in colour, the throat and foreneck streaked with brown. By your description, I should feel inclined to think that your bird is a hen. (3) Canary seed is the staple food for them, and they will eat very little of any other, but you should offer a few oats, rape, cracked hemp, maw seed, and a little wild-seed mixture. Keep in a good large cage so that she can take exercise, or she will certainly get over fat.

LINNET WITH BROKEN LEG.—You appear to have managed to operate on your Linnet very successfully. By the time you read this in print, the fracture should be united, and you could therefore remove the bandage. This must be done very carefully or you may injure it again. If you ever have another case, you will find a strip of court plaster answer the purpose equally as well as the splints, and much more easily applied. It is put on damp, and when thoroughly dry acts as a splint and binding combined, and is easily removed with warm water. (2) You had better give the bird a little extra maw and hemp. This will assist him to put on flesh. Birds should not be in poor condition just as they are going into moult; they had better be a little bit the other way.

WHAT BIRD? (On the Borders).—I am sorry I am unable to identify your bird from your description. The Greenfinch is the only green bird I know of with a Finch beak. If it is not this, it is just possible it may be an escaped Greenfinch-Canary hybrid. If you do not know the cross, possibly you may be able to show it to some fancier friend who may assist you. Such birds are not particularly scarce, and should a fancier lose one of a batch, it would live for some time during the summer, as they are fairly hardy. An ordinary specimen would be a shade lighter in the beak than a Greenfinch, with wings and tail longer, and hardly so much yellow about the body, and on the wings. Its general appearance would be a shade more slim and somewhat smarter.

BLACKBIRD NOT SINGING (E. T. Sedly).—By your description I should think your bird is a cock, but is one of those nervous specimens that refuse to sing properly. This kind of bird is not at all uncommon, I have had Blackbirds, Thrushes, and Skylarks just the same, but as soon as they are given their liberty they sing at once. The only advice I can give you is to try change of position, changing him outside in the sunshine for an hour or so each day, preferably in the early morning or evening. You make no mention of your treatment, but you should feed him well, mixing a little hard boiled egg with some good insecticide food; offer fruit, and all the insects you can collect for him. If you have not been feeding him very liberally this change and the fresh position may cause him to break into song. A cock Blackbird is jet black with yellow beak and eye core; if he is a first-year bird, his wing feathers will be tinged with brown.

A THIRSTY BULLFINCH (C.E.).—You have nothing to be alarmed about in your bird drinking more than usual in the summer months, although I can quite understand it causing him to be somewhat loose in his motions. If you give him boiled water to drink it would probably check it, but I would advise you to put ten drops of dandelion juice in his drinking water every other day for a week, then follow this up with a small teaspoonful of chemical food, using boiled water or it will not mix. Your feeding appears to be fairly correct, although one part teazle added to your stock mixture would be an improvement.

GOLDFINCH PUFFED OUT (H. Davies).—You omitted to send your address with your query, will you kindly put it on a post card. The samples of seed sent are good and are not responsible for the illness of your bird. You make no mention of wild seeds and green food, are you using any? These are essential to the well doing of a captive bird as dry seeds. First of all give an aperient, as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonfuls of water, repeat the dose in a couple of days' time, follow this up with a tiny pinch of

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citrate of iron and quinine crystals dissolved in the same quantity of water, do not overdose him, just watch the effect and see that he is not constipated. To your seed diet add a good feed of sunflower three times a week; if he has not had any before you had better crack them until he gets the taste. Collect all the wild seeds you can for him; just now there are plenty about, and more ripening daily, he should have a constant supply. try all you can to get him back into good health before he drops into moult. Have you our booklet on the Goldfinch? If not I would advise you to procure one.

FINCHES FOR NEXT SEASON (W. G. H. W.).—The catching season will soon be here, and this is the time to obtain your stock of Finches for next season's breeding. As regards the size of cage to keep them in I may say there is no proper size, the rule is to give them as much room as you can, but if you are going to make some stock cages yourself for single birds you will find that some made 16 inches long, 12 high, and 10 wide very useful, they would do well in these with an occasional fly in a large flight or aviary. As regards colour-feeding I think you would do better to add three of the biscuit to one egg, as it is not required quite so strong for colour-feeding as for rearing. To one teaspoonful of this mixture add two spoonfuls of colour-food, but do not make it this strength to start with, add a little at first and gradually increase it, or you may have some trouble to get them to eat it.

CONCERNING WILD BIRDS (E. M. T.).—Thanks for your interesting account of birds' nests. Your description of last one found hardly went far enough to enable me to say positively to what bird it belonged. If I may hazard a guess, I should say it was a Greenfinch. No doubt you will visit it again, when you should take particular notice of the position, shape, and materials the nest is built of, also the lining; the eggs, too, should come under observation, and full particulars of shape and marking, both distinct and faint, written down on the spot. The Siskin is a rare breeding bird with us, and does so mostly in Scotland, the nest being placed high up a fir tree, and consequently difficult to locate. If you think of hand-rearing any particular species, I shall be pleased to assist you. I do not know of any hook dealing exclusively with the matter, although there are frequent references and instructions given in the "British Bird Manual," obtainable from this office.

FEEDING GREENFINCH AND BULLFINCH (G. W.).—I gather from your letter that you have been feeding your birds on hard seed only, as you say nothing whatever of green food. By your description I fancy your Bullie is likely to develop asthma, if you are not careful. Give her an aperient at once. Dissolve as much Glauber Salts as will cover a sixpence in her drinking water, and give when cold. Let her have it one day, and then miss one, and give another dose. In addition to the seeds you are giving, soak some teazle and rape, and let her have a little daily. You should gather all the wild food you can, dandelion leaves and seed pods, seeding groundsel, chickweed, shepherd's purse, and others as they come in season. Be liberal with these, and let her bathe frequently. (2) They do not as a rule eat mealworms.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

WHAT PARROT? (C. E.).—Regret I must ask you to wait till next issue for a final reply.

MEYER'S PARROT (N. S. A.).—I rather doubt asthma being the trouble. Do not give any more of the sop. Give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking-water till the bowels have been well moved, then use half a teaspoonful of Byno-phosphates in lieu of the magnesia. Bathe the nostrils with dilute glyco-thymone (1 in 10), using a mop camel-hair brush. Take a piece of stale bread, biscuit, or plain cake, whichever the bird fancies most; very lightly moisten with hot water, then allow to soak into it five drops of cod liver oil. Give this daily till the bird is in condition again. You can offer nuts, either shelled walnuts or shelled Barcelona nuts are best. I presume you are supply grit and cuttlebone; if not keep a piece of cuttlebone continually in the cage and sprinkle a pinch of grit over the sand in the cage tray whenever the sand is renewed. Keep the bird in your warmest room and in a warm position, yet where the air is good and there is no draught. It has probably taken a slight chill, owing to the variability of recent climatic conditions. If the above treatment does not show signs of giving relief, say, in seven days, repeat query with full details. Thanks for your remarks re Amazon. Please to note it has recovered.

BUDGERIGARS (H. E. A.).—It is an understood condition that Budgies in cages, or any other birds for that matter, lacking the vigorous exercise of aviary or wild birds, are apt to get gross and overfat (many birds are lost from this cause), unless a watch be kept upon them, and whenever they are found dull and inoppy should be examined, and if really plump the diet should be modulated and a laxative given twice weekly till their condition becomes more normal. A varied diet is all in the birds' favour, but when a bird is seen to be too fat then the most feeding items of the dietary (oats and rice) should be omitted for a time, or only given occasionally. Apple, and almost any kind of fruit they will take, is certainly good for Budgies, also all the Parrot tribe. As you are going away from home for a time leave a mixture of two parts Canary seed and one part of white millet well mixed together. Give also seeding and flowering grass as long as it lasts, but when early frosts begin to appear it should only be gathered about noon. Lettuce is quite safe, but for cage birds the thick, fleshy middle stem should be cut away. Give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia every fourth day, but if the voidings become really loose, then only give it once a week. The mild laxative could well be continued for a couple of months. I presume you are supplying grit and cuttlebone; if not, keep the latter in the cage continually, and also procure some good make of grit (not sand) and put a little over sand tray whenever the sand is renewed. A more roomy cage is the best preventive of the trouble. You must not keep cages where the full power of the sun can shine on to the top of them.

BIRDS IN CONSERVATORY (V. D.).—(1) About twelve pairs would look very nice flying about, without much detriment to the plants. The rockery could also be at any rate partially cleaned periodically with a round brass brush about 1 to 1½ inches in diameter, such as are used in lavatories. (2) You must cover the whole of the glass with wire netting on the inside, this will also, to a large extent, prevent the wood of the sashes getting fouled. (3) I am afraid those which would do so are rather large for a mixed series. (4) No; but

part of the roof should be shaded by an outside blind during extreme heat and thorough ventilation without draught provided for. (5) Greenfood can either be kept fresh by being put in bottles filled with water or wet sand. If water alone be used then the neck of the bottle, after the weeds are placed in it, must be packed with cotton wool to prevent the small birds getting in. Why not grow weeds, grass, lettuce, canary seed, etc., in pots and seed pans, and let the birds help themselves? (General.) You could keep such birds as Waxbills, Avadavats, White-eyes (Zosterops), Cordon Bleus, Firefinches, and if you could conveniently increase the temperature during the winter months to 40 or 50 degrees F., you could keep a pair of Yellow-winged Sugar Birds. You do not give me any idea of what kind of birds you fancy. Sugar Birds are quite easy to keep. I do not think you need fear red-mite in such quarters. The atmosphere should not be made too moist by too frequent syringing. Soiled foliage can be washed with a soft flat brush, the leaf lying on the flat of the hand, with the stem of leaf between the fingers, during the operation. If the plants or trees were done one or two at a time as they become a little unsightly the task is not very heavy. See that there are no perches over the plants. These must be fixed elsewhere and should be natural branches (twigs), and placed vertically; horizontal perches are not needed in such a place.

PULLS ITS FEATHERS (Orchard).—I expect you have wrongly fed it, and your not informing me how you have fed and treated it generally makes it impossible to give you a really helpful answer. I can only say—Confine its diet to seed mixture, dry crusts, biscuit, fruit and nuts, with grit, cuttlebone and water continuously; but, in making any change, you must not let it really want for food, as some birds will sulk at a suddenly changed dietary. So long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water. Give a little flour of sulphur daily, either dusted on to a piece of slightly moistened bread, biscuit, or plain cake, whichever the birds will most readily take. Spray once or twice weekly with a tepid quassa solution, choosing a warm, genial day for the purpose. Feather-eating is as much a vice as a disease, and almost incurable once a bird becomes confirmed in it, and you will have to persevere in the treatment. Follow out the above and report progress with full details in two or three months.

BUDGERIGARS (R. H. W.).—Pleased to hear of your success and regret to hear of your disaster, which may have arisen from two causes, viz., the bird flying against unprotected glass and causing internal hemorrhage, or a pure and simple internal rupture, but I think, the former was the cause of death. All glass must be covered with wire netting

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-Keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Acadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

on the inside, and if you lacked sufficient air a portion of it could easily open or slide up and down like ordinary window sashes. "Do not let the cock mate up with one of his daughters, procure an adult hen from somewhere for him."
WHAT IS IT? (H. H.).—It is a Swainson's or Blue Mountain Lorikeet (*Trichoglossus novae-hollandiae*). The main dietary should be milk-sop and ripe fruit. Keep a small tin of canary seed in the cage so that it may take what it chooses. They are also fond of seeding and flowering grass, also lettuce, but the fleshy centre stem or rib should be cut away. They are hardy and vigorous and only need protection from draught.

CHINESE BUNTING (M. A.).—This is known best as the Red-backed Bunting, and has a typical Bunting song. The cock is deep rufous brown above and sulphur-yellow below, and is a very pleasing bird. It can be kept in a cage, either singly or in pairs. The Pintail Nonpariel (or better Pin-tailed Parrot-Finch) is very variable as to price, rather dear just now—say, 10s. 6d.—as very few have been in the market of late, and they are not easy birds to establish, many "shuffling off" very soon after arrival; but once established they are not fragile.

GREY PARROT (T. W. J.).—You are now reaping the fruits of the "hit-of-everything diet," and as it has been going on for so long a cure is really doubtful. Get our Nutshell, "Grey Parrot," 2d. post free from our manager, and bring your diet gradually into line with that given therein. Anoint the back of the neck twice a week with sulphur ointment (from any chemist), but do not use sufficient to run about the body. It may not do to stop the sop too suddenly, but gradually give less and less till you are able to cease giving it altogether, but while you are still giving it dust it regularly with flour of sulphur. Every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery-loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water, and on the intervening days put in half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in lieu of the magnesia. You should be able to give an amply varied diet when confining it to the following: Seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, dry crusts, biscuit and plain cake. Grit, cuttlebone and water to be continually in the cage. There cannot be a rapid improvement in such a case. Report progress two or three months hence.

A FEATHER PULLER (P. J. C.).—I am afraid a bird that has been pulling its feathers for over two years is confirmed in the habit, and that it is next to impossible to break it of the vice. Aim at keeping it occupied by one means or another—give it a little exercise outside its cage (if tame enough) daily, according to convenience. In addition to the usual seed mixture, keep a tin of canary and white millet (equal parts) in the cage. Supply ripe fruit daily, any kind it will take. The other items of diet you name may all be continued. Keep the water in the cage continuously. Every fourth day, so long as the voidings are not watery loose, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite, Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Annfield Plain F.F. and C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Queen's Head, 7. Schedule and judge for members' show, etc.—M. Archer.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Aug. 4, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom, Entrance Chapel St., 8. Unsold tickets for F.F. show to be returned or paid for; nomination of judge for annual show.—J. Spencer.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Aug. 1, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, F.F. show 3, W. E. Blaydon judge. Aug. 2, picnic to Altrincham, meet at Crown Point, Denton, at 2; fanciers invited.—J. Whitehead.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Aug. 4, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Results and prizes for F.F. show; ordinary business.—J. Whitehead.

Barnet F.F.S.—Aug. 5, Co-operative Stores, 8. Schedule for annual show.—W. J. Cartwright.

Bradford East O.S.—Aug. 4, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Arrangements for open show and other business.—W. Cruise.

Brandon Colliery C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Social Club 7. Schedule for open show and other important business; new members invited.—G. Reed.

Bolton C.B.S.—Aug. 4, Joiners' Arms, 8.—J. Gerard.

Bridlington and Driffield C.B.S.—No meetings during August.—J. Chadwick.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Aug. 3, New Inn, 8. Prize money for N.F. show.—A. Wood.

Chorley C.B.S.—Aug. 5, White Swan Inn, 7.30. Important business.—J. H. Welch.

Crewe O.S.—Aug. 4, Burton Hotel, 8. Open show arrangements.—M. L. Croft.

City of Bradford O.S.—Aug. 1, Flying Dutchman, 8. Ordinary business.—W. Helliwell, 116, Mill Lane, Bradford.

Clapham C.B.A.—Aug. 4, The Clock House, Clapham Park Road, 8.30. Distribution of prizes won at F.F. show.—F. J. Hosc.

Clay Cross C.B.S.—Aug. 8, Victoria Hotel, 7. Washing exhibition by Mr. J. Smedley, Tibshelf.—J. Griffiths.

Clitheroe C.B.S.—Aug. 3, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8.—J. Southworth.

Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C.A.—Aug. 5, Mr. Nixon's, Wood Street, 8. Business important.—J. Huntington.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Aug. 8, Black Bull, 7.30. Classification for open show and other important business.—G. Hunt.

Erith F.S.—Aug. 5, West Street School, 8.15. Balance-sheet; young stock show arrangements; other important business.—G. Rickett.

Falkirk and Dist. C.B.S.—Aug. 6, Oddfellow's Hall, 8. Usual business; table show A.V. Brit.—R. Rennie.

Fife C.B.L.—Aug. 1, Supper Room, No. 1, Gosh. Kely, 6. General business and further subscription.—J. Corderly.

Felling F. and F.S.—Aug. 1, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Monthly meeting, important business: Election of Committee, report of alteration of Rules, arrange table shows and other business; note change of secretary.—Wm. Stockton, Middle Road House, Sheriff Hill, Gateshead.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Aug. 1, Grange School, Dirkhill, 7.30. Lecture on "Colour Feeding," by Mr. T. Tidswell.—A. Birth.

Great Horton O.S.—Aug. 1, Butchers' Arms, 3. Also members' show, birds staged 3, judge Mr. P. Mason.—J. Holroyd.

Glasgow West of Scotland O.S.—Aug. 1, Nelson Temperance Hotel, 7.30. Meeting and F.F. show of Mules and Hybrids.—W. Hutchison.

Greenock, Port Glasgow and Gourcock O.S.—Aug. 5, Imperial Halls, Rae End Street, Greenock, 7.30. Annual show business.—C. Bryden.

Halifax O.S.—Aug. 1, Plummet Lino Hotel, 7.30. Members' meeting and debate on "Preparing Birds for Exhibition"; opening speaker, Mr. J. Robertshaw.—H. Clegg.

Halifax C.B.S.—Aug. 6, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, 8. General meeting.—A. Sutcliffe.

Hyds C.B.S.—Aug. 3, St. George's School, 8. Election of delegates for amalgamation, etc.—T. Allsop.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Aug. 6, Railway Hotel, 8. General business.—W. H. Symes.

Leigh C.B.S.—Aug. 5, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Table N.F. show business.—H. Charleson, 12, Lleyd St., Leigh.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Aug. 10, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open show business.—F. Wilkinson.

Middleton C.B.S.—Aug. 3, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting, balance-sheet for half-year; also dates for lectures, alterations for back-end show.—J. Hulton.

Middlesbrough and Teeside C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Review of open show schedule and table show dates.—J. Swincoe.

Middlesex O.S.—Aug. 6, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. General business. There will be no table show.—J. Jeffers.

Morpeth C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Earl Grey, 7.30. Business important.—W. Summers.

Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S.—Aug. 6, Purvis' Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Open show business, receive money for N.F. show tickets, table show, subs. overdue.—J. W. Reed.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Aug. 5, Pillars Cafe, 7.30. Table show, four classes, yell, buff, green, cinnamon; judges A. Affleck, W. P. Smith, A. Montgomery, M. C. Potts.

Northern Norwich P.H.C.—Aug. 6, Purvis' Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Table show, usual classes; judge, F. W. Laidlow.—F. W. Laidlow.

Northern Yorks. C.C.—Aug. 6, Purvis' Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Table show, usual classes; judge, Mr. R. Butler.—R. Tindale.

N.W. London F.A.—Aug. 6, Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley Road, N.W., 8.30. Prize money and specials will be given out re the summer show; important business will be to hand.—W. Sutton, assist. sec.

Oxford C.B.S.—Aug. 5, "Welsh Pony," George St., 8. Important open show business.—A. F. Fifield.

Perth City and County O.A.—Aug. 3, Laidlaw's Room, Leonard Street, 8.—J. L. Smith.

Preston O.S.—Aug. 4, Tokio Cafe, 8. November show; Judges, room for the Nov. show, and other important business.—W. H. Cottam.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Granby Hotel, Members' show. Judge, Mr. A. M. Craven, Bradford. Birds staged 3.—W. Jagger.

Rosendale C.B.S.—Aug. 4, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Monthly meeting.—H. Wantling.

Reading C.B.S.—No meeting till Sept. 3 on account of the holidays.—O. C. Smith.

Redhill C.B.S.—Aug. 5, Watkins' Hotel, 8. Pay out prize money and arrange for annual show.—A. W. Bacon.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Aug. 5, Temperance Club, 8. General meeting, balance-sheet, etc.—W. Adams.

Runcorn B.B.A.—Aug. 7, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Room, 7.30. Show business.—E. Rone.

Shilby O.S.—Aug. 5, Victoria Hotel, 8.—E. Grange.

South Shields C.B.S.—Aug. 1, 7.30.—W. J. Smith.

Smallbridge C.B.S.—Aug. 4, Headquarters, 8. Back-end show business.—J. T. Cheetam.

Spn Valley C.B.S.—Aug. 3, Commercial Hotel, 8. Arrangements for N.F. show and balance-sheet for last show.—S. B. Grayson.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Aug. 1, Headquarters, 6.30. Last N.F. show, entry 3d., staged 6.30, Mr. Conner-ton (Empire Aviaries) gives ½-stone seed for most points; meeting afterwards; last night for payment of subs.—J. Peacock.

Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S.—Aug. 6, Little Regent Inn, 8. Open show.—J. W. Lowes.

Tong C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. Members' show, birds staged 3; judge, Mr. H. H. Clark, Dudley Hill.—W. Walker.

Whisey C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Horse and Groom, 8. Monthly business; please note sec's. new address.—W. Chapman, 18, Halton Place, Little Horton, Bradford.

Wigan C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Legs of Man Hotel, 8. Arrangements for old show; important.—Ed. Ball.

Windhill C.B.S.—Aug. 1, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Balance-sheet for July members' show and ordinary business; subs. due.—Taylor and Ellis.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

T. Southam.—As your letter has nothing to say upon the matter under discussion, we have not put it into type. Mr. Coe is, of course, entitled to take whatever view seems to him the right one.

Brezton Taffy.—The date for both counties is August 1st.

J. Bell.—We have no hesitation in expressing the opinion that the birds were not the cause of the trouble. We will collect one or two other views and write you direct later on.

Goldchaff.—Thanks for your interesting letter. We shall be very pleased to receive the photo of your beautiful back-yard. Your query has been forwarded to our Mr. Norman, who will reply next week.

W. Alderman.—Both cock and hen Mules (Goldfinch, Linnet, Siskin, etc.) when in high condition will go through all the acts incidental to the production of young birds—including the building of a nest—in precisely the same way as Canaries. It is only in exceptionally rare instances, however, that they have been known to fertilise eggs, or lay fertile eggs.

Smell.—We have never tested the matter, but are of opinion that the smell of the cresote would be in no wise harmful to birds. We take it, of course, that the smell would not be overpoweringly strong.

THE PATRONAGE OF SPECIALIST CLUBS.

Societies desiring the patronage of the following clubs should apply to the respective secs., stating date of show, number of classes and judges: Northern Border and S.F.C.C., M. C. Potts, 52, Palmouth Road, Newcastle; Midland Counties Y.C.C., W. Wells, Helmsdale, Erdington, Birmingham; Norwich P.H.C., F. Cunliffe, 19, Lark Street, Burnley; Northern C.C., Geo. Dobson, 103, James Street, Bradford-on-Tyne; Yorkshire and Lancashire British Bird and M.C., T. H. Inman, Thornbury, Bradford; Northern Y.C.C., R. Tindale, 6, Gill Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Green Canary Association, F. Handley, 23, Coventry Road, Wavertree, Liverpool; Fife and Kinross P.H. Club, A. Dickson, 37, Adams Terrace, Killybegs; closing date, August 1, Yorks. C.C. of Scotland, W. Priest, 6, Orchard Street, Partick; closing date August 6. Scottish P.H. Club, E. Barron, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow. Crested C.C., J. Tyson, 169, Sloane Street, S.W. Northern Lizard Club, G. C. Davidson, 6, Eden Vale, Sunderland.—[Will secs. kindly let us know when their patronage list is full for the forthcoming season.—(Editor).]

HANDSOME hand-reared cock Nightingale, 1913, very tame, will feed from hand, 35/-; also three hand-reared cock Goldfinches, 4/6 and 6/6; approval willingly if deposit, or exchange for poultry.—Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1728)

PAIR Rosecomb Bantams, 1914, exhibition parents, 10/6; following picked exhibition hybrid pairs, cocks, Bramblefinch, Linnet, Menly Redpoll; hens, 1913, monster Greenfinches, 10/-, 7/6, 5/-, lot 30/-; exchange monster Norwich hens; others; stamp: Alexander Alleck, Heaton, Roxburgh. (1724)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE, big Yorkshire cock for Roller or Norwich cock.—Billington, 21, Holt-st., Wrexham. (1724)

NORWICH cock and single breeder, sake 4/6; exchange anything; Hutton, 7, Low Fold, Chirwell, Leeds. (1724)

GOOD pair Yorkshires, long buff cock, smart yellow hen, breeding condition, 15/-; approval; exchange anything useful: M. Teat, Ancaster, Grantham. (1723)

BRIGIAN Scotch Fancy cock, Roller hen, value 15/-; exchange good melodion: T. McLaren, Pitlochry, Tyrona. (1726)

EXCHANGE pair of good Cinnamon or clear Borders, for good Border show cages: Wiseman, 29, Rudnor-rd., Cardiff. (1725)

EXCHANGE pair good Norwich, for two good H.M. cock Goldfinches; approval.—S. Corby, 2, Eynedy-rd., Watford. (1724)

1914 Yorkshire Canaries for sale, or exchange for a good English concertina: Mr. John Bell, No. 5, Oxford-st., Spennymoor. (1725)

WILL give this year's Canaries to value for good rabbit; approval both ways; no rubbish; Mulligan, 8, Combe, Salecombe. (1725)

ROLLERS (Raudall's), 8/- pair; parent birds, 12/- pair; exchange tubes, tyres, anything useful; yours first: Harris, Eccles, Maudstone. (1723)

THREE Roller cocks, one schoolmaster; exchange gramophone records; others; sell 15/-; yours first: 26, Wellfield, Preston, Lancashire. (1726)

CANARY-RIARED cock Linnet, and 60 "Cage Birds" for Maple, or anything useful.—J. Macdonald, 8, Hamilton-rd., Long Eaton. (1724)

NOTICE—Wanted, all varieties Canaries; will give good exchange in Norwich, Yorkshire, or Border show cages: McKean, Southbright, Castle Douglas. (1724)

EXCHANGE high-class Norwich for horse pipe, Nightingale, or portunitean, anything useful: Middleton, Cricketers' Arms, Holbeck Moor, Leeds. (1727)

EXCHANGE pair Norwich Canaries, for good exhibition Goldfinch, or Roller Schoolmaster, on approval: William Clarke, 59, Addison-rd., Fleetwood. (1724)

SELL one cock and three hen Canaries, one cock Greenfinch, for 9/-; or exchange for pair Hawfinches or Siskins: H. Lock, Rayno Lodge Cottages, Braintree. (1725)

WANTED, Twite to moult, good markings and size; exchange Buff Sib. Yorks cock, 7/6; approval; stamp; own noted strain: Alexandra Park Cottage, Brydekirk, Annan. (1723)

WHAT offers in roller shutter cages for five all green Rollers, four young and mother, as brood, or sell, splendid strain: Boughton, 165, Farnham-rd., Handsworth, Birmingham. (1724)

GENTLEMAN'S silver lever watch, 35/-; wool travelling rug, 20/-; tweed suit, 30/-, chest 36, 55; silver cigarette case, 21/- exchange British; Canaries: George Parker, 30, Beubow-rd., Hammernsmith. (1725)

ONE yellow cock, 3 buff and variegated hens, one buff cock, 1 yellow Norwich hen, three flights, 1 double and 1 single breeders, with utensils; no reasonable offer refused: Waller, 87, Wedderburn-rd., Barking. (1726)

Mainly Foreign.

CLEARING outdoor aviary 20 Budgerigars, 4 Cutthroats, 4/-, 2/- couple, or exchange other foreigners.—96, Windsor-rd., Southport. (1728)

COCK Alario, full song, 10/6; hen Bengalese, 3/6; lot 12/6; exchange cycle tyres or parts: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop, Notts. (1723)

Miscellaneous.

ALL Black Cocker Spaniels, 12 months; sell or exchange prize Yorkshires: Graham, Ballybrack. (1728)

BOOK, Canaries, Hybrids, British, cost 25/- new; exchange anything, sell 12/6: F. Roberts, 7, Rhodes-st., Castleford. (1727)

EXCHANGE 4 old and 10 young rabbits, chiefly white, for Goldfinch or Bullfinch: Prentice, Plas Machynlloch, N. Wales. (1726)

WANT 2 pairs heereches, as new, for 1 pair show Norwich, value 30/-, or sell 20/-; Wahl, 4, Kensington Palace Gardens, W. (1723)

BUY, sell, or exchange all kinds of livestock, household goods, boots, suits, etc., given: Jopson, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1724)

LARGE pair of hand-made clap nets (new), about 10 yards by 2 yards, price 12/-; or exchange birds; others: George, 519, Harrow-rd., London. (1725)

WHAT offers? Two young cub foxes, three months old, very tame, sale or exchange birds to value.—Chris. Hutton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1723)

PURE-BRED Old English Sheep bitch; exchange poultry, Pouters, Wire-haired Terrier; other offers; sell 25/-: Tully, 10, Squarey-st., Tooting. (1725)

FREE your birds from Red Mites by using Mytex, 9d. bottle makes one gallon of bird-wash: Mytex Laboratory, 29, Baliol-st., Barnard Castle. (1720)

TWO joiner-made Thrush cages, 12 Yorkshire show cages, good condition, complete; best cash offer or exchange Canaries.—Cawson, Alexandra-st., Goole. (1724)

WANTED, lady's or gentleman's tricycle, or carrier tricycle, or good gramophone, give talking Parrot or English lever watch: 14, Fishergate, Nottingham. (1724)

"OUR Canaries," new, unbound, Finch show cage, sliding front, few loose fronts, coloured plates and annuals, lot 6/6: Williams, 21, Copper Works-rd., Llanelly. (1727)

COLLECTION British birds' eggs, valued 30/-; glazier's diamond, 22/6; wanted foreign, British Hardbills: Morrison, Stone-lane, Millfield, Peterborough. (1724)

EXCHANGE Fox Terrier puppy bitch, worth 15/-, for British Canaries or show cages; sell 10/-; genuine; particulars: Percival, 11, Victoria-rd., Ellesmere Port. (1725)

YORKSHIRE terrier bitch, 9lbs. weight, good length, black and tan coat, 8 years old, 20s.; exchange well bred Fox Terrier or Canaries: Gilmore, Wettleworth. (1724)

WE buy, sell or exchange birds or livestock of any description for others; household goods, or wearing apparel, cycle tyres, etc.: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1724)

ZONOPHONE, splendid, £4 10s. machine, 33 double records, cost £4 6s. 6d., now perfect condition, accept £4 10/-; exchange Canaries, Rollers preferred; approval: Jackson, 37, Canal-st., Congleton. (1724)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorks, 1914 bred, Budgetgers or talking Parrots, or pedigree puppies, for scrap brass, copper, block tin, or gold jewellery: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1723)

NOTICE—Will exchange good Black Terrier bred dog, six months, for good singing cock Canary or hen Bullfinch, pair Greenfinches, and hen Canary: Chas. Hendry, near Church, Barnham Market. (1724)

WARRANTED cock Linnets, Chaffinches, Larks, Greenfinches, 9d. each; three for 1/6; half dozen, 2/-; half-dozen mixed cocks, 2/-; mixed seed birds, 1/- dozen: J. Brightwell, Beck-row, Mildenhall, Suffolk. (1726)

THREE double cages, 5/-; cock Greenfinch, 2/-; Redpoll, 1/6; Linnet 1/-; pair Canaries 5/-; young Pigeons 6d. each; auto-harp, 5/6; hornless gramophone and records 17/-: Miss Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgewater. (1719)

SELL or exchange for birds, two of Edison's reproducers, model C. two minutes, and H, four minutes; practically new; also full-sized punchhall, good condition, for any variety: Hartley, 25, Brighton-st., Seacombe. (1726)

TAME, performing pet monkey, throws somersaults, drills like a soldier, plays with dogs, cats, foxes, etc.; accept 25/-, or exchange; can be seen in our shop window daily, talk of Manchester: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1721)

EXCHANGE pair prize-bred 1914 Yorkshire Canaries and breeding cage, for 8 yards clap nets complete; 5-year house-moulted Linnet, 5/-; 3lbs. of bird lime, 4/6; or exchange Linnet Mule, pure Linnet song; charlock and fat hen seed mixed, 1/4 stone: J. Whittaker, 79, Churell-lane, Salton, Inverness. (1726)

BEAUTIFUL Amazon Parrot and cage, perfectly tame, and good plain talker, £6 10/-; Goldfinch-Canary, splendid singer, and cage, 17/6; magic lantern and quantity coloured slides, perfect, £2 lot; motor cycle, 3 h.p. Bradbury, in perfect condition, ready ride away, £7; Great Danes Harlequin bitch, in whelp, brindle dog, perfectly sound and straight, champion pedigree, £6 cash, or £10 pair; medical coil battery, 7/6: Webb, Ashford, Bakewell. (1724)

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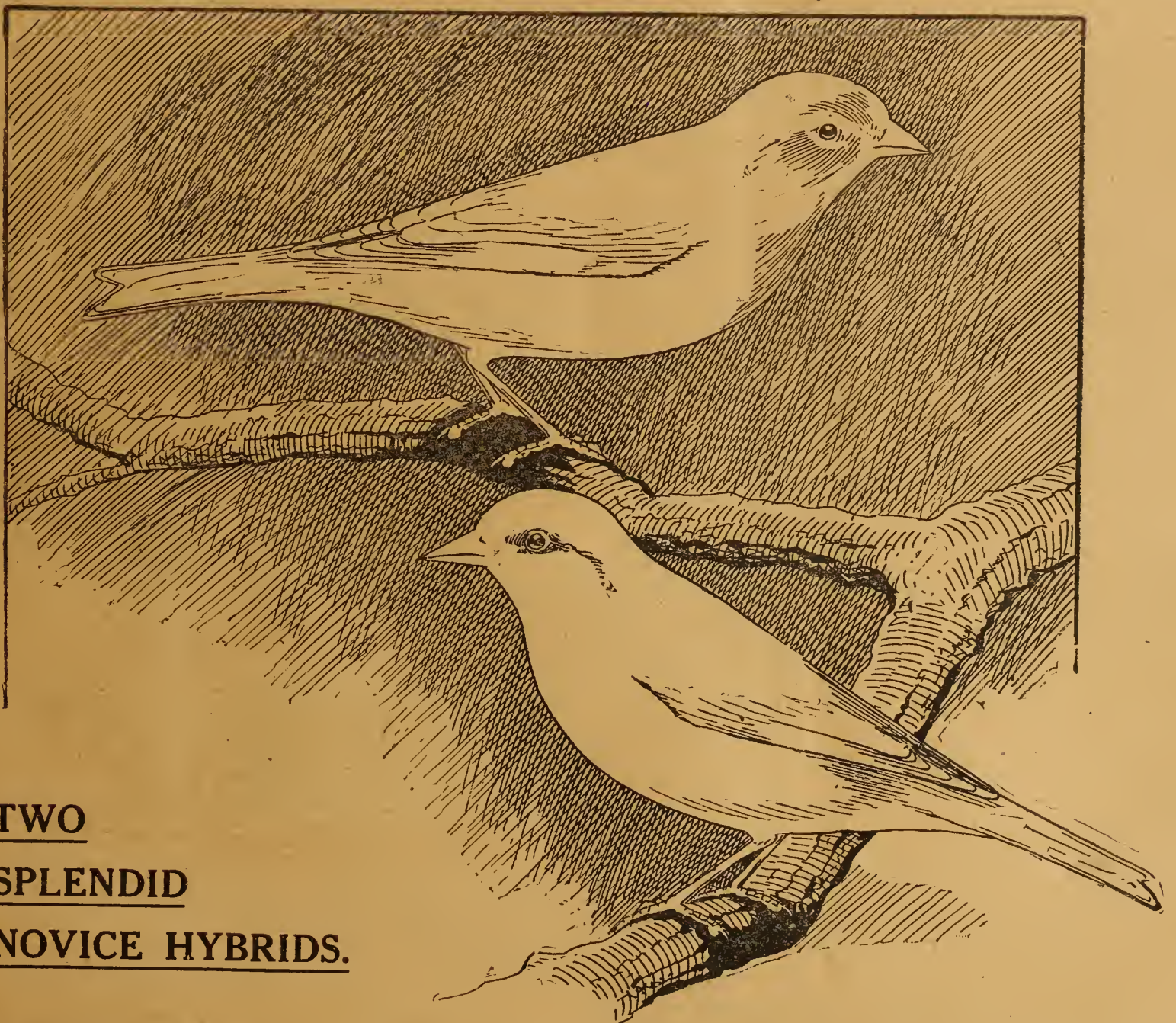
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Club Reports.

CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S. Meeting Aug. 1st. Three Ten, Eastwood, with a very poor attendance. Not much encouragement for the secretaries who are doing their best for the society.

POPLAR C.B.S. Meeting headquarters, All Hallows School Room, East India Dock Road, July 30. After the general business Mr. Cook gave a lecture on the Yorkshire Canary, afterwards inviting the members to ask questions and give him a stiff line generally, which they did, with the result that those present profited greatly.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S. Meeting with a fair turn-out of members, who passed a vote of sympathy with Mr. Jas. Maddison, who has recently lost his wife. Decided to have all the old classes in the schedule for annual show, and in addition an unlighted novice class, both in Yorks. and Norwich sections, also a novice class each for Crests and C.B., and two classes instead of one as before for cinnamon, namely, yellows and buffs, making a total of 91 classes—a good classification.—Geo. Haaver, Hon. Sec.

KIDWELLY P.P. AND C.B.S. Meeting headquarters, July 30, Councillor Cole presiding. Our balance in bank from last show is very good, £7 10s., and we hope our next show will go even better. Decided that membership be open to five miles radius from Kidwelly Town Hall; fee 2s. 6d. per member, and 1s. entrance. Intending members please send on before Sept. 5 as we intend increasing our classification for open show, Nov. 4. All welcome to our next meeting, Aug. 15, at 7.30, Bell Hotel, Kidwelly, where we are then going through the classification.—Chas. Price, hon. sec.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE (East End) C.B.S. Meeting and table show July 29, Leighton's School, Heaton Road, Mr. Hutchinson chair. We had a very interesting application for membership from Mr. J. R. Cox, late of Wallsend, now of South Africa, who was elected unanimously. Norwich and Border classification was left over until next meeting, Sept. 29. Decided to hold another table show next meeting; special for best bird, also most points, young birds. Mr. Hutchinson judged table show. NOR.: 1, Matthewson; 2, 3, Gilmian; 4, Ender; vhc, Coutts; hc, Morrison; c, Ender, CRESTS: 1, Rushton; 2, Morrison; 3, Rushton, BORD.: 1, Rushton.—J. W. Coutts, sec.

GREEN CANARY ASSOCIATION. Meeting, Oldham Hall, Renshaw Street, July 30. Mr. J. W. Metcalfe chair. The business of the evening chiefly dealt with patronage; this was granted to Liverpool O.S., Oct. 23 and 24; Judges, Messrs. Mundell (Yorks.), Barnes (Nor.), Large (Bord.), Manchester, Oct. 30-31, Messrs. C. House, W. Booth, and J. Johnson. Bradford West (cocks and hens, Nov. 21, Mr. Cowgill. Bradford National, Dec. 4, Mr. Cowgill. Gateshead (Borders only), Dec. 18, J. Johnson. Palace, 1915, G.C.A., full classification; G.C.A. specials will be competed for at this show, providing Green classes are put on. The committee will be pleased to consider further patronage for suitable dates. The novice scheme was put forward, and the following patronage decided upon: L.O.S., judge, Mr. Mundell; L.B.N.A., judges, Helliwell and Brunsell; Walton, Nov. 14, Messrs. Ogden Bros. Next meeting will be a special meeting for novice arrangements. Mr. Handley was unanimously elected president of the society.

The Shows.

CAMBRIDGE.

Only three classes stood in the cage bird section of this show on Bank Holiday. Mr. C. A. House judged. FOREIGN (11): 1, 2, sp. Mrs. Dunkley, very handsome pair of Burmese Parakeets, grandly marked, beautiful col. and feather; 3, hc, Miss Fortescue, very handsome Black-faced Lark Bird, grand col. and feather; res, vhc, Waugh; c, Orders, MEMBERS' CAN. (7): 1, two sps, res, Brooks, very fine yellow Dutch Frill, rare shape and feather; 2, sp, Williams, rich coloured, nicely feathered; 3, hc, Hart, nice shapely, sound coloured; Cinn.; vhc, hc, Sheppard. MULE (3): 1, challenge cup, Hart, large, grand feathered, lightly mkd. Greenie-Can.; 2, Williams, very promising young varieg. Greenie-Can., lovely colour and feather; 3, Brooks, stylish, neat feathered buff Goldie-Can.

WALLSEND MID-TYNE C.B.A. N.F. show, Station Hotel, with a record entry of 104 birds, and some very promising youngsters. Mr. Robson (Newcastle) judged and gave every satisfaction. Competition was very keen. Mr. Wigglesworth won cup and gold medal with three Yorks. Mr. Johnston, runner-up, medal, with three Borders, and Mr. Couchman silver medal for third most points, three Norwich, also silver medal given by Mr. Johnston for most points in Britsh.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Newton; 2, Hymers; 3, Scott. BUFF.: 1, Couchman; 2, Craig; 3, hc, Hymers; vhc, Scott; c, Mathewson. MKD. YELL.: 1, Scott; 2, Couchman; 3, Mathewson; vhc, Newton; hc, Doughty. BUFF.: 1, Hymers; 2, Couchman; 3, Doughty; vhc, Mathewson. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Wigglesworth; 2, vhc, R. Studholme; 3, W. Studholme. BUFF.: 1, 2, R. Studholme; 3, W. Studholme. MKD. YELL.: 1, Wigglesworth; 2, W. Studholme. BORD. TKD. YELL.: 1, hc, Whitbaker; 2, McDonnell; 3, Blakey; vhc, Craig. BUFF.: 1, Craig; 2, Couchman; 3, hc, Whitbaker; vhc, Blakey; c, McDonnell. MKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Whitaker. BUFF.: 1, 2, Smith; 3, Couchman; vhc, Greenwell; hc, Matfin; c, Whitaker. GR. YELL.: 1, Greenwell; 2, Johnson; 3, Matfin; vhc, Couchman; hc, Doughty; c, Parker. BUFF.: 1, Johnson; 2, 3, c, Greenwell; vhc, Blakey; hc, Parker. CIN.: 1, McDonnell; 2, Johnson; 3, Matfin; vhc, Simpson; hc, Parker. NOR. CINN.: 1, 2, 3, W. Slope; vhc, Doughty; hc, c, Rev. LIZ.; 1, 2, Heslop. A.O.V.: 1, Rev. COLDF.; 1, Parker; 2, Scott; 3, Mastman; vhc, Simpson, CHEFF.: 1, 3, Couchman; 2, Greenwell; vhc, Simpson. LIN. NET.: 1, Couchman; 2, 3, Simpson; vhc, hc, R.

Studholme, CHAFF. AND BRAMBLE: 1, Couchman; 2, 3, Simpson; SINKIN, ETC.: 1, 2, Mastman; 3, Simpson; vhc, Couchman; 6, Greenwell, 8, c.

CRAGHEAD C.B.A.

N.F. show at Black Horse, near Craghead, a grand room, well lighted, and with space for 200 birds; 21 was the entry, a poor entry, and probably to the lateness of the date. NOR.: 1, 2, Law, m. leader wins on colour; 3, Anderson. BORD. YELL.: 1, 3, Dawson; 2, res, vhc, Lawson. BUFF.: 1, Bates, grand wing and tail, a good win; 2, Lawson. BORD. OLU.: 1, Bates, good yell. A.O. BORD.: 1, 3, Bates, cinnamon, broken in moult, but wins; 2, Lawson. BRIT.: 1, Dawson. FOR.: 1, Davison. LINNET. H.M.: 1, 2, Dawson. F.M.: 1, 2, Dawson. GREENF.: 1, Anderson.

TONG C.B.S.

Show, August 1, Hard and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill, Mr. H. H. Clark, Dudley Hill, judged, and gave every satisfaction. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (40): 1, 3, Casey; 2, Hodgson, son; 4, Padgett. BUFF (9): 1, Padgett; 2, Gledhill; 3, 4, Baker Bros. MKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Padgett. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Casey; 2, Gledhill; 3, Padgett. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, 3, Wardman; 2, Russell; 4, Wright. BUFF (9): 1, Jowett and Robertshaw; 2, 3, Holt Bros.; 4, Russell. MKD. YELL. (6): 1, Aspden Bros.; 2, Russell; 3, Naylor; 4, Jowett and Robertshaw. BUFF (9): 1, 2, Naylor; 3, Wardman; 4, Russell.—W. Walker, Sec.

INVERNESS O.S.

Young Bird Show, July 25, Washington Hall. Entries were very encouraging, Borders and Yorks. holding the record for quantity and quality. British were on the whole only a fair show, for the "Capital of the Highlands." Mr. John Connochie, Sec. had, as usual, everything in Al order. Mr. J. Young judged, and gave entire satisfaction. Sp. best Nor., McDonald; best Brit., Harcombe; best in largest class, Connochie; best Bord., Simpson; Crest or C.B., McGregor; Yorks., Junior; most entries, Connochie. The show was well patronised. CREST OR C.B.: McGregor. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Junior; 2, 3, Clumas. BUFF.: 1, 2, Junior; 3, Clumas. BORD. YELL.: 1, sp, Simpson; 2, Smith; 3, Falconer. BUFF.: 1, 2, Connochie; 3, Simpson. VARIEG.: 1, Connochie; 2, Simpson; 3, Harcombe. NOR.: 1, sp, 3, McDonald; 2, Hutchison. BUFF.: 1, 2, Hutchison; 3, McDonald. MULE OR HYBRID: 1, Smith; 2, Junior. BRIT.: 1, sp, Harcombe (Goldfinch); 2, Junior (Linnet); 3, Grant, juv., (Bullfinch).—R. Duncan, Reporter.

GATESHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting, Wednesday, July 8. Mr. Holden presided over a large attendance. Letters were read from the secs. of the following specialist clubs, granting their patronage for our open show: Northern Norwich, Northern Crest, Northern Yorks., Northern Brit., Mule and P.B.C. Decided to hold a table show at meeting August 12th, same classes as previously. Mr. Butler was elected to judge. In connection with meeting, a successful show was held, 60 birds being staged. NOR. CL.: 1, 3, vhc, c, Laidlaw; 2, 4, Willsbury; hc, Curry. MKD.: 1, Laidlaw; 2, c, Lawson; 3, 4, Peirson; vhc, Liddell; hc, Petterson. YORKS. CL.: 1, Fullerton; 2, Rowan; 3, 4, Gregory. MKD.: 1, 2, 3, Rowan; 4, c, Cromarty; vhc, Fullerton. BORD.: 1, 2, Kennold. MULES: 1, McGuire. LINNET, ETC.: 1, hc, c, Davidson; 2, 4, McGuire; 3, vhc, Petterson. GOLDF., ETC.: 1, McNay; 2, 3, McGuire. A.O.V.: 1, 2, McGuire; 3, hc, Davidson; 4, McNay; vhc, c, Petterson. FOREIGN: 1, 2, 3, Petterson. J. McGuire won case of spoons, given by Mr. Tindle for most points; spl. given by Mr. Holden for second most points, c, Petterson. A vote of thanks to Mr. Tindle for judging brought a grand meeting to a close. The following were elected members: Messrs. Gregory, Fullerton, Jarrow; Hawkes, Gateshead. Subs. are due.—W. Curry, Sec.

PELTON FELL C.B.S.

N.F., Aug. 1, Colliery Inn; 60 birds were staged, and some good ones amongst them. All were nicely arranged, but there was not a good attendance. There was a great discussion on the any-variety class. Some thought all three prize-winners might have been "wrong-classed." There is a hard-working committee, with Mr. J. Stanger as chairman. Mr. J. Robinson makes a very good secretary indeed for a novice. Mr. J. Ribborough judged.

NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Stanger, leader cl. BUFF.: 1, 2, Stanger, clrs., grand colour; 3, Robinson. YORKS. BUFF.: 1, 2, Ward, winner grand cl.; 3, Robinson; vhc, hc, c, Wilford. YELL.: 1, Walker, grand length, good feather; 2, Stanger; 3, Ward. YELL. TKD. ETC. BORD.: 1, Dawson, saddle mkd., grand col., but might be bigger; 2, Robinson; 3, Walker. BUFF.: 1, 2, Robinson, Birtley winner, grand feather; 3, Stanger; vhc, Bewick. CRESTS: 1, Redpath, neat crest, very young, will improve; 2, 3, vhc, Bewick. CLASS 8: 1, 2, Bewick, Birtley winners 1st varieg. buff, grand size; 3, vhc, Redpath. A.O.V.: 1, Walker, Birtley winner, grand cinnamon, might have been wrong-classed at both shows; 2, Stanger, cinnamon, also might be marked "w"; 3, Bewick. MULES: 1, Boyd, Greenf. Can. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Davidson, Goldf., Birtley and Chester winner in grand trim. LINNET. H.M.: 1, 2, Davidson, Birtley winners reversed, leader wins on size and colour; 3, Dawson. F.M.: 1, Dawson, grand type and col.; 2, 3, Boyd. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Boyd, noted winner; 2, 3, Wilfrid; vhc, hc, Davison. GREENF.: 1, 2, Wilfrid, grand size, fine feather, well put down; 3, Boyd.

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ASTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.

Second Y.B. Show, August 1. Mr. W. E. Blaydon judged, and gave every satisfaction to the crowds who again favoured us with their presence. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, Etchells; 3, Ferns; 4, Green; vhc, hc, Storey. BUFF.: 1, 2, Etchells; 3, c, Pye; 4, vhc, hc, Green. NOR. YELL.: 1, Phillips; 2, hc, Foxall; 3, Smith; 4, Storey; vhc, Etchells; hc, Marsland; BUFF.: 1, 2, Kellall; 3, vhc, hc, Marsland; 4, Foxall.—J. Whitehead Sec.

IDLE C.B.S.

Second N.F. Show, Aug. 1, White Bear Inn. Numbers were a little in advance of last show, and quality was much to the fore. Mr. J. A. Taylor judged, and gave entire satisfaction. Mr. F. Studd gained most points. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, 4, Chippendale; 2, 3, Studd; vhc, Sparks; hc, Pitt; c, Baxter. BUFF.: 1, 2, 3, Studd; 4, Thomas; vhc, c, Chippendale; hc, Sparks. A.O.V.: 1, 3, Pearson; 2, Chippendale; 4, Thomas; vhc, hc, Baxter; c, Studd.—C. E. Hylton, Sec.

BRAMLEY O.S.

Second Y.B. Show, July 25, Carnival Rooms, Mr. J. Lane, Bradford, judged, and gave every satisfaction. Fifty birds were staged. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 3, vhc, Mitchell; 2, Page; hc, Steel; c, Thornton. BUFF (8): 1, Steel; 2, 3, c, Baldwin; vhc, Page; hc, Mitchell. EVEN, ETC.: 1, 2, c, Page; 3, vhc, Steel; hc, Baldwin. NOR. CL. TKD. BUFF (1): 1, Jones. EVEN, ETC. (3): 1, Moore; 2, Jones; 3, Steel. GOLDF., ETC. (8): 1, 3, Willson; 2, hc, Jones; vhc, hc, Etherington. LINNET, ETC. (5): awards not sent. A.O. BRIT. (9): 1, vhc, c, Jones; 2, 3, Willson; hc, Etherington.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

Show, Aug. 1, in Club-room, High Street. The entry was much smaller than usual, but quality was very good, several promising birds were staged. Mr. P. Mason, judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Peace; 3, Lister and Hudson; 4, Midgley; vhc, Firth; hc, Lingard; c, Hartley. BUFF.: 1, Shackleton; 2, Lingard; 3, Emsley. TKD. YELL.: 1, Lingard; 2, Midgley; 3, Lister and Hudson; 4, Hartley. BUFF.: 1, Firth; 2, Lister and Hudson; 3, Lingard. GR. MKD. YELL.: 1, Peace; 2, 3, Midgley. BUFF.: 1, Peace; 2, Lister and Hudson; 3, Shackleton; 4, vhc, Hartley. Most points chimp.: Midgley. Nov.: Peace. Mr. H. Bennett gave two specials, which were won by Messrs. Emsley and Hartley.—J. Holroyd, Sec.

KING'S LYNN.

Eighth annual show, Aug. 3, in connection with the Fete and Gala on the Walk's Field, under the management of that well-known fancier, Mr. Denny Hunt, ably assisted by Messrs. Harrod and Edmonds acting as stewards, both of whom did their work well. Entries came up well, exceeding previous years, and were well up to the standard usually seen here. Mr. Williamson won spl. most points in open with his Cinnamon, Mr. Harrod spl. most points local members, his winning unlighted buff being a real good one. The feature of the show was a Waxwing shown in faultless condition. Mr. E. W. Smith, Downham, judged, his awards given after most careful attention, gave every satisfaction. NOR. CL. BUFF.: 2, Watts; 3, Rodgers. YELL.: 2, Dunham; 3, Watts. VARIEG.: 2, Bennall; 3, Young. BUFF. 1914: 1, Rogers; 2, Hall; 3, vhc, Tombleston; hc, Williamson; res, Youngs, c, Watts. YELL.: 1, Bennell; 2, Dunham; 3, Rodgers; vhc, Youngs; hc, Hall. TKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Harrod; 2, Watts; 3, Bean; res, Youngs; vhc, Hall; hc, Bird. CINN.: 1, spl., 2, res, vhc, Williamson; 3, Hall. BRIT.: 1, vhc, Johnson, 1st lovely Waxwing; 2, Bell; 3, O'Donoghue Humphrey; hc, Miss Rildsdale.

BARRINGTON & CHOPPINGTON.

Annual show, Aug. 1. Entries were up to the average of previous years, and quality excellent. Spl. best Nor. or Bord. was won by Seely Bros., with a good yellow Nor.; best A.O.V. T. Dixon, good Linnet. The show arrangements were ably carried out by Messrs. Paxton, Turner T. Dixon J. Dixon, Fuller, and J. Douglas. Mr. H. Seely, the sec., had everything well in hand. Mr. T. Sanderson judged. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, spl., Seely Bros., good yellows, grand type and qual.; 3, Douglas; vhc, Paxton; hc, J. Dixon. BUFF.: 1, 2, vhc, Seely Bros., grand trio, leaders mkd., good shape and col.; 3, J. Dixon, should make good one; hc, Fuller; c, Dixon. BORD. YELL.: 1, 2, Gutteridge, good ones, grand jaunty style; 3, Fuller; vhc, T. Dixon; hc, Turner; c, Seely Bros. BUFF.: 1, vhc, Seely Bros., good one, nice style, good qual.; 2, Paxton, nice bird; 3, Gutteridge; hc, Fuller. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE: 1, vhc, Seely Bros., yell. Cinn., leading, grand Nor. type, good col. and qual.; 2, Fuller, good yell. Yorks., stands like a soldier; 3, T. Dixon, C.B. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, Turner, 1st yell. wing mkd. Nor., looks like a hc, a good one; 2nd, cl. buff Nor., good bird; 3, Cinn. BRIT.: 1, spl., T. Dixon, Linnet, grand col.; 2, Seely Bros., Greenf.; 3, Fuller.

WALTON, EVERTON, C.B.S.

Second N.F. Show, Emmanuel Church Schools, Mill Road. An entry of 84 faced the judge, Mr. John Walker, who gave entire satisfaction under trying circumstances, as a lot of the birds were breaking into moult. The Society is pushing ahead, and membership will soon reach the 100. The cups and spls. for season's points were on view. Novices have more provided for them than champions, which should be an incentive for novices to join the club; the undersigned will be pleased to receive names for membership. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Walker for judging. YORKS. YELL.: 1, hc, Rothwell; 2, c, Algie; 3, vhc, Handley. BUFF.: 1, Algie; 2, Evans; 3, vhc, Handley. TKD. YELL.: 1, Handley; 2, Algie. BUFF.: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell; vhc, Algie; hc, Evans; c, Handley. VARIEG. YELL.: 1, 2, Roberts; 3, Handley. BUFF.: 1, Handley; 2, Roberts; 3, Parsons. YELL. GR.: 1, Brindle; 2, 3, Algie; vhc, hc, Evans; c, Parsons. BUFF.: 1, vhc, Algie; 2, 3, Evans; hc, Parsons; c, Handley. FOUL BUFF.: 1, Evans; 2, Algie; 3, Parsons; vhc, Handley. NOR.: 1, Rev. Pink. BORD. YELL. GR.: 1, Pullen; 2, Williams. BUFF.: 1, Pullen; 2, 3, Williams. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Roberts; 3, vhc, Williams. BUFF.: 1, Williams; 2, Roberts. TKD. YELL.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Rev. Pink. BUFF.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Williams. YELL. GR.: 1, 2, 3, Roberts. BUFF.: 1, Williams; 2, Jones. FOUL BUFF.: 1, Rev. Pink; 2, Roberts; 3, vhc, Jones. GOLDF. AND BULLF.: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell. LIN.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Rothwell. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF.: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell.—Robinson and Burns, Hon. Secs., 7, and 9, Gerald Street, Brunswick Road.

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Twitterings.

Margate cage bird show is fixed for Nov. 4
and 5. Mr. W. C. Poole, Stratford on Avon,
judge.

We have read the quarterly statement of
accounts of the City and Suburban A.C.B.,
from which it appears that the cash in bank
and in hand amounts to the substantial sum
of £30 2s. 11d.

We have changed the name of the Ber-
mondsey and Rotherhithe F.A. to the South-
East London F. and F.A., and the head-
quarters to 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road,
S.E., writes Mr. R. Jackson, sec.

The open show of the Wiveliscombe and
Dist. F.A. will be held Nov. 26. Mr. J. R.
Houghton judge. The hon. secs., Messrs. Hill
and Cook, Wiveliscombe, Som., will be pleased
to communicate with anyone interested.

Allow me to congratulate your artist upon
the lifelike drawing of our "wee gem" on
the front page of CAGE BIRDS this week. This
being only our first year of breeding high-
class birds, the honour added to the success
we have so far attained at the shows is very
gratifying to both my wife and self. I wish
CAGE BIRDS continued success.—E. C. Last,
Purley.

OBITUARY.

I regret to inform you, writes Mr. W.
Curry, hon. sec. Gateshead C.B.S., of the loss
sustained by the well known fancier and
judge, Mr. James Maddison, in the death of
his beloved wife, who passed away, July 17,
after a short illness. Mrs. Maddison was
highly thought of by fanciers paying Jimmie
a visit, having always a kind word for every-
one. The funeral took place on July 19, when
a good number of fanciers were present. The
sincere sympathy of fanciers will be extended
to Mr. Maddison in this sad blow.

Mr. J. A. Muir, Glasgow.

It is with deep feelings of regret, writes
Mr. Jas. Ward, that I have to announce the
death of John A. Muir, on July 29, at 131,
Main Street, Bridgeton, Glasgow. He con-
tracted an internal trouble some few months
ago, which gradually brought about his end.
He was buried in Rathglen Cemetery, Aug.
1. The funeral was attended by many of the
Glasgow East End fanciers, and the members
of the Freemasons Lodge (of which he was
a prominent official) turned out in great num-
bers to pay their last token of respect. Mr.
Muir was for many years a keen admirer of
the Scots Fancy Canary, and a member of the
East End Society, taking an active part in
the management. His attachment for his birds
remained till the end. His presence will be
much missed, and all fanciers will join in deep
sympathy with his wife and daughter in their
sad bereavement.

It came as an agreeable surprise to me to
see such a beautiful illustration of my Bram-
ble on the front page of last week's CAGE
BIRDS. As your remarks imply, he has had
a wonderful career on the show bench. He is
now very busy fitting himself up with a new
suit of the same pattern and quality as for-
merly, and his prospects are very rosy
towards annexing a few more firsts during
the coming show season to his already long
list.—Arthur C. Brotherhood (Newport).

"British Birds" for August. Messrs.
Witherby, High Holborn, 1s. monthly, is
largely occupied by a very interesting article
by Miss Best on the Breeding Habits of
Avocets, the article being illustrated by some
beautiful photographs by the author. Mr.
Witherby details the method of ringing birds
in Hungary; Mr. T. H. Nelson gives a
graphic account of the remarkable destruction
of sea birds caused by a cyclone accompanied
by a terrific hailstorm, a photograph showing
more than forty gulls lying dead in one spot.
The rest of the issue is taken up by notes
from various observers.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly
sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially
when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just
previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red
Mite. Kills all vermin to everything else.

Champion of the Birds

A lady attended at Highgate Police Court
on July 2 and laid a dead Blackbird on the
clerk's desk. She said she lived behind a
nursery, and the nurseryman had an air-gun.
Whenever he was on the ground he had the
gun, and as soon as he saw a bird he shot it.
The police were instructed to inquire, and
the lady was thanked for her action.

Queen Alexandra's Doves.

It is interesting to recall that when, many
years ago, Queen Alexandra visited Ireland,
she received on landing a present of a white
Dove as an emblem of peace and goodwill.
On her return to London she bought it a
mate, and provided a home at Sandringham,
where the pair raised a numerous progeny.
The present inhabitants of the Queen's Dove-
house are direct descendants of the original
pair, being white, with eyes resembling pink
coral.

Wild Birds in the Oldham District

The Ashton, Oldham, and District Wild
Birds Protection Associations are appealing to
the Lancashire County Council for an exten-
sion of the Wild Birds Act. Under the order
now in force in the county, the Act applies
from March 1 to August 31, inclusive, and in
addition certain birds are protected through-
out the whole year. The association asked
that the protection should be extended to all
wild birds and their eggs during the whole
year in the district referred to. The Oldham
Corporation has made an order for its own
district, and it is said that the County
Council will make a similar order for that
portion of the district under its jurisdiction.

Nesting-boxes for Gardens

and Parks.

Some years ago the Selborne Society,
through the generosity of one of its members,
was able to put up a number of nesting-boxes
in Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens. The
Office of Works as a result was able to re-
port an increase in the number of Tits. The
boxes used were those made from natural
logs, and have been perfected in the Brent
Valley Bird Sanctuary. The Selborne nesting-
boxes are manufactured in England, and are
more natural looking than those of Conti-
nental origin, while offering facilities for the
examination of the nests and their removal
at the end of the season. Information con-
cerning them can be had at the offices of the
Selborne Society at 42, Bloomsbury Square,
London.

When Wild Birds Die.

The bodies of the dead birds are disposed
of by flies, moths, and the sexton or bury-
ing beetles. These latter account for a great
many dead bodies of small animals as well as
of birds. Four of these beetles have been
known to bury as many as fifty bodies in
twelve days. All the insects mentioned lay
their eggs in the bodies, and their larvae
soon eat up the flesh. Carrion Crows also
account for a number of the larger birds, on
whose flesh they live. When birds are dying
they always retreat into the undergrowth in
out-of-the-way places, where they are hardly
ever found. When in the dying state, they
are always alone. Rarely, if ever, is a bird
of their own kind near when they meet a
natural end.—B. W. Strike in the "Express."

The Understanding Parrot.

The following anecdotes of a Parrot will
tend to show that these birds do understand
what they say—at any rate, the Parrot of
which I write does. This bird, a small grey
one, when asked if he would like to go to
Jersey, replied promptly: "Yes, mum." His
mistress objects to his using bad language,
so when vexed he says "You—you—you
—!" till she leaves the room, and then he
relieves his feelings by saying heartily "You
devil!" He will not have water kept in his
cage, but when thirsty asks for a drink,
which is given him in a little tin. He takes
it carefully in his claw, drinks, and then
throws the tin down. The other day he
said: "Give me some bird-seed." There
happened to be none in the house. Vainly
his mistress offered him his favourite dainties;
he refused them all, demanding bird-seed,
and would not be pacified till it was procured
from the nearest shop for him.—G. Welburn,
in "Country Life."

THE PATRONAGE OF SPECIALIST CLUBS.

Societies desiring the patronage of the following
clubs should apply to the respective secs., stating
date of show, number of classes and judges:
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Northern Lizard Club, G. C. Davidson, 6, Eden
Vale, Sunderland. (Will secs. kindly let us know
when their patronage list is full for the forthcom-
ing season.—(Editor).)

Our Society: And Our Duty Towards It.

A paper (condensed somewhat by us) read by Mr. Thorpe before the
Ardwick and Manchester District C.B.A.

THERE are several sides to all societies.

There are the mutual side, the financial
side, the official side, and the social side. It
is the latter that I want to base my remarks
upon in as brief a way as possible, as I hope
there will be a healthy discussion at the close.
From information (of course, I am only a
young recruit) that I can gather, this society
was formed in 1903 with a small membership.
Like all other societies, it has had a varied
experience, and had it not been for the de-
voted and persistent perseverance of its offi-
cials and individual members, we should not
be in the happy position of having such a
sound and prosperous society as we have to-
day.

Now, I gather from the heading (society or
association) that we are a body of persons
(this will, of course, include the ladies) united
for the promotion and welfare of the small
feathered tribe, and while it is most essen-
tial that we should have lectures, debates,
washing competitions, exhibitions, etc., to
reach, if possible, the ideal stage of perfec-
tion, there are other issues that are equally
important if we are to be healthy and vigor-
ous.

Laying a Sound Foundation.

Our aim should be to see that our society
is upon a sound, unshakable foundation;
this can only be accomplished by the hearty
co-operation of every member. Our society
must be self-supporting. We cannot work
successfully without the necessary financial
aid. Our flag must not be set at half-mast;
we must never rest until it flies right at the
very top. To attain this we must be a live
society. Now, we can only become such by
a continual climb. It may mean some self-
sacrifice; but was there ever an ideal reached,
or victory won, without it? Healthy com-
petition is one of the finest schools that we
can enter. Is there any honour in winning a
prize without competition? And the keener
the competition, the more valuable become
the prizes.

Duty is one of the first steps to success,
and if we, as members (here I include myself)
did our duty and even stopped there, it
would indeed be a great relief to our worthy
secretary, upon whose shoulders a great re-
sponsibility rests. If we can lighten his
burden (and we can), by so doing we shall
indeed have accomplished something. If we
have to go out of our way, remember we
cannot do good without receiving good. Let
us do all in our power that will in any way
help the successful working of our society—
not just within our own immediate circle, but
outside. Whenever we come in contact with
other fanciers, let us exchange our views and
thoughts about the Fancy, which has be-
come the object of our ambition. Let us
speak about our own society, not merely as
a society, but as the best and most up-to-date,
making it a living reality. At the same

time, do not allow ourselves to speak dis-
paragingly or disrespectfully of other societies.
If we have nothing good to say about them,
leave them alone.

While I am on this topic, I should like to
refer to the correspondence that springs into
daylight through the medium of the Fancy
Press. We can by its means be a source of
real help and benefit, if the spirit of our
correspondence shall tend to the uplifting of
our fellow fanciers. We may differ in our
views and methods, and yet still treat each
other with due respect.

Wherever there is a society formed, what-
ever it may be called, there is always an
object in view, and it is not merely to breed
birds, to hold fortnightly meetings, shows,
etc., but for the blending together of experi-
ences and experiments, of information that
we have been able to gather, which will en-
able us to rise to the full extent of our
ambition. Our object should be to cleanse
our society from anything and everything
that would in any way hinder our progress
or mar our prospects. May our motives ever
be high and lofty, never resting satisfied
until our efforts are crowned with success.
You may say that it is impossible for us to
reach the high-water mark that I have out-
lined. Do we think it is impossible to breed
Palace winners? Not a bit of it. This has
already been accomplished by some of our
members, and what has been done can be
repeated.

Reaching the Top of the Ladder.

How are we, then, to scale the ladder—to
climb until we have reached the top? This
can only be accomplished by binding our-
selves together with a set purpose, sifting
out any jealousy or ill-feeling, and uniting
in one body with a determination that no
stone shall be left unturned that will in any
way help on our work.

Before closing, I would like to refer to
what I consider one of the best, and most
fruitful sources of a society's work, and that
is a social in its real sense. Take, for in-
stance, our last two socials. Not only do we
get the best out of our own members by such
united effort, but we gather from without
that social element that helps to strengthen
and knit us together as fanciers generally. By
this means we make many friends by coming
in contact with members of other societies,
as well as those who are bird-lovers, although
not belonging to any society.

I would urge every member to do his best
to lift the social side of our work, so that
we may enter into the exchanging of thoughts
and ideas with freedom and brotherly feel-
ing. Thus shall our banner fly higher and
higher—an association worthy not only of the
name that we bear—the Ardwick and Man-
chester District C.B.A.—but of the aim and
object we have in view.

PRIZES FOR NEW VARIETIES

And the Breeding of British and
Foreign Birds.

TO encourage all readers to try what they
can do in the matter of evolving new
varieties of the Canary, of producing new
kinds of Mules and Hybrids, and breaking
fresh ground in the breeding of British and
Foreign birds in cages and aviaries, CAGE
BIRDS is adopting the scheme outlined below,
which we hope will commend itself to, and
stimulate into action, every bird-keeper who
can possibly join in it.

CAGE BIRDS suitable and valuable
mementoes are offered to any breeder who
succeeds in

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of British or Foreign bird which has not
previously been so bred.
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species of British or Foreign bird which has
not previously been so bred.

The mementoes we offer take two forms:
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in case.

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The choice will rest with the successful
breeder.

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to the breeder of the Rarest British Scibiil in a
Cage.

This is presented by Mrs. E. Warren
Vernon.

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In addition we shall award to each sender
of the best written essay in each of Sections
1, 2, and 4,

A Cash Prize of £1 1s.

that is, three guineas in all. In Section 3
the sender of the best written essay will
receive

A Cash Prize of £2 2s.

presented by Mr. W. E. Teschemaker.

Rule 6, of course, applies also to the
awarding of all essay prizes, to compete
for which the essays must be of not less than
1,000 words in length. In fact the explicit-
ness and helpfulness of the details given will
be the chief features taken into considera-
tion when making the awards.

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be lodged with Editor within ten days of the young
birds being hatched; and an independent witness
skilled with birds shall certify to having seen the
young in the nest or with the parents.

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and Hybrids, must be entirely reared by their own
parents, hand-rearing not being permissible.

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Quails six weeks, and the young Canaries or young
Mules or Hybrids until after their first moult.
By "young" is meant one, or more.

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can be easily moved, without being taken to pieces,
from place to place by one person.

(5) Written accounts of the breeding, for publica-
tion in CAGE BIRDS, must be lodged with us within
four weeks (28 days) from the date the young birds
leave the nest.

(6) The decision of the Editor of CAGE BIRDS
will be final and binding in every case and he shall
have the right to call together a committee of
expert bird-keepers if need be to assist him in
coming to the said decision.

KEEPING AND BREEDING FOREIGN SEED-EATERS IN CAGES.

By WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S., &c.

(Concluded from page 42.)

IN reaching the concluding portion of this series I can only hope that I have made all points clear, or, rather, sufficiently so to enable my readers to go forward on their own lines; and it now only remains for me to quote a few successes, and *en passant* to state that what I have written applies generally to all species of seed-eaters, whether indigenous or alien.

Bengalese (*Uroloncha domestica*).—In the days of yore, as a youth, the writer had no aviary, but kept numbers of British and foreign birds in cages, and one of the earliest species so kept was a pair of the quaint and interesting Bengalese. Canary, white millet, and green-food formed the sole menu, and, though they thrived exceedingly, no attempt at nesting was made the first year; only an ordinary Canary nest-box was supplied, and this they used only for roosting purposes, sleeping side by side on the edge of same.

The following year a box was hung up, open entirely at the front except for a narrow strip of wood, one inch deep, along the bottom. In this they constructed a domed nest of hay, lining it with a few of their own feathers. In due course four eggs were laid and steadily incubated, the birds frequently sitting side by side in the nest; only two of the eggs hatched out, one being infertile and the other containing a dead chick. All went well, and the young were fully reared, no soft food of any kind being supplied (now I should certainly supply a little soft food). A second brood was brought off the same year, of which only one reached maturity.

Humble but Acceptable Quarters.

The cage was a grocer's empty, about 24 in. by 15 in. by 12 in., with a wire-netting front and no draw-tray, merely a hinged strip for cleaning purposes. The nest was not examined till the young had emerged—during summer days the cage was always out of doors; during rain a piece of oil-cloth, with half a brick to keep it in place, kept out the rain. In similarly constructed cages, and with similar treatment, I reared Goldfinches, Greenfinches, and Bullfinches.

With Java Sparrows (*Munia oryzivora*) the details as to cage, etc., were the same as in the preceding account, except that a small Hartz travelling cage formed the nest receptacle. For over three years I tried to breed this species, but failed, till, losing my hen, a white hen was presented to me, which soon paired up with the Grey cock, and in due course brought off a brood, only one of which was a pied bird, the others being ordinary Greys, though perhaps a little lighter in hue. In these days I did not study cause and effect, and consequently it was left to others to deduce, and bring to public notice first, that a free breeding strain could be raised by such mating.

The young were no trouble at all to rear, the supplies being canary, white millet, crushed groats, and green food. River sand was used for the cage bottom, as I was able to get this from a small river running past the bottom of the garden. It was rather a pretty sight watching the family party—parents and three young—when the young emerged, caressing each other, or the old birds feeding the young and preening their plumage; all too soon was the juvenile appearance lost, for at a little less than three months old, they donned their adult garments and had to be removed to another cage.

A Domed Nest of Hay.

Only hay was supplied as nesting material; but they used portions of their green-food to line the bottom of the nest; it was domed, but so loosely woven that the incubating bird, and the young later, could be seen through it, and I was able to watch them whenever leisure permitted, both during incubation and when they were feeding their progeny. Silverbills, Bronze Mannikins, and other similar species have been bred in cages under similar conditions.

At a later stage I acquired a pair of Zebra Finches (*Taeniopygia castanotis*), and though this was many years ago, when they cost double their present price, I am able to recall the fascination with which I watched them, when I released them in a large box (packing case), which I had converted into a cage by simply covering the front with wire-netting and inserting two or three doors. I thought this cage a huge one in those days; it was 24 by 24 by 18 inches deep, and always stood out of doors, the top covered with oil-cloth, and a canvas curtain to cover up the front at night. I have never tired of this species, not even to this day, and have never been without them for long together.

In one corner, at the top of this cage, I hung a wire flower-pot basket, the kind with a flat back to hang on walls. A handful of hay was thrown in, which proved to be in short lengths, and did not fully meet the requirement of my new birdy acquaintances, and as I had no more hay at the time, I put in some straw, coarse wheat straw, full length with ears attached. Mr. Zebra hauled these up to the nest, getting one end into the nest, and then, with Mrs. Zebra's help, hauling it up, bending it this way and that, weaving it into form, till the hay base already formed was completely roofed in and a coarse domed structure was complete.

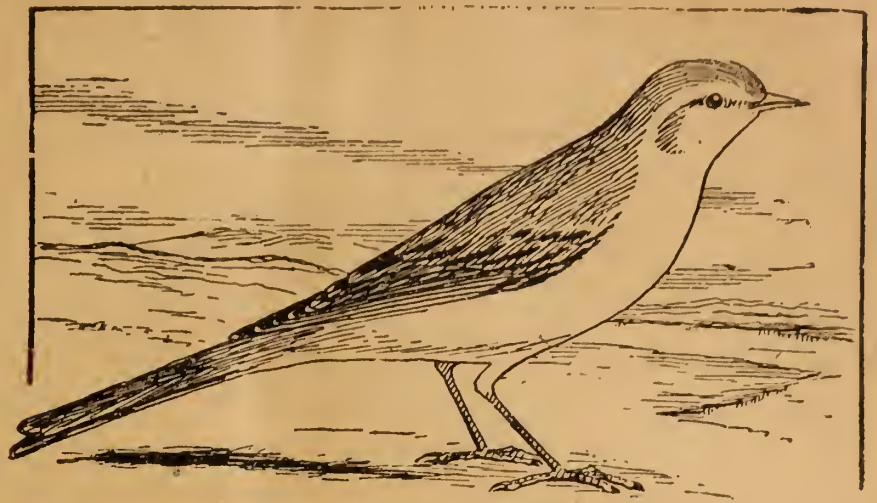
I can remember now how I marvelled at the strength of these little feathered pigmies as they laboured, and also at their ingenuity in adapting such incongruous material to their requirements. But they were not satisfied, and though a clutch was laid, and incubation began, Mr. Zebra was always foraging for material, so more hay was supplied, and with this he speedily filled up the interstices of his little abode, and when his task was completed his little castle was the stoutest and strongest I have ever seen a Zebra Finch construct, and I've seen a good many. Several broods were reared in this cage, and at the end of the season it was occupied by some fourteen individuals.

The Bill of Fare.

The menu upon which they reared their young and supported themselves consisted of canary, white millet, Indian millet, and green-food. A little dry, crumbled sponge cake was also supplied, and to this they seemed rather partial. The attraction of this charming species has never entirely lost its hold upon me, and I am seldom long without this cheeky, impudent, but pleasing species, and at the present time a pair occupies my mixed aviary. The species has been bred many times in a "Crystal Palace" type cage, and is quite one of the best for a beginner to commence with.

I am not intending to confine these notes to my own experiences, and shall now quote successful instances of other bird-keepers.

Dr. Hetley tells the story of his success with Crimson Finches (*Neochmia phaton*) in Bird Notes, Vol. VII., and from this account I am extracting as follows:—"They were purchased in April and put into a cage in the sitting-room, where they began trying to build a nest the next day. After filling two boxes with hay they took no further interest. Being moved into a larger cage



Mr. R. C. Tout's well-known Yellow Wagtail. It has won a number of prizes in keen competition, including first at the last Crystal Palace Show.

(5 by 2½ by 1½ ft.) in another room, the cock built a very compact flask-shaped nest of hay, imitation cowhair, and feathers. The hen laid two eggs, one on the floor and one in the nest. They sat on this single one for about a fortnight but it was not fertile, and after awhile they deserted it. Nothing daunted, the cock commenced re-lining the nest, and after some days we found them sitting again, this time very closely, and about a fortnight later we heard young ones 'cheeping.' In three weeks' time five young ones came down, and for two or three days the parents fed them very well, then the cock commenced chasing them furiously, so was removed, but the hen, though occasionally feeding them, also started attacking them in a very violent manner. The little ones being quite unable to feed themselves, we put them into a large cage, divided in two, with a wire space in the partition, with the bars just wide enough to admit of the parents feeding them through the wires. This they fortunately condescended to do, and the birds are now fine, healthy little creatures. All the family seem of a most quarrelsome disposition, chasing and fighting all day long, though they never seem to do each other any harm. . . . The young were fed principally on insectivorous food, mealworms, ants' eggs, white and spray millet, with lettuce and flowering grasses."

The above is a most interesting record, but I believe it still stands, after a period of six years, as the only case of Crimson Finches being reared in a cage. In the aviary it is also found that while the family party will agree together, as soon as the young males don adult plumage separation is imperative.

Dr. Hetley also succeeded in rearing a brood of Bichenov's Finches (*Sticteptera bichenovi*) in a large cage under similar conditions to those given to the preceding species, in his dining-room. Their first attempt resulted in one young bird leaving the nest, but it was not fully reared. At the second attempt complete success crowned their efforts, four young birds being reared to maturity. The young were reared principally on insectivorous mixture, seed and lettuce.

Under similar conditions success was all but achieved with Painted Finches (*Emblema picta*), but complete success has yet to come, and there does not appear much prospect of their appearing on the market again if one is to judge by the unfulfilled requests which have been sent in to likely sources.

Details Gone Astray.

Mr. H. Robbins succeeded in rearing a brood of Long-tailed Grassfinches (*Poephila acuticauda*) in a roomy cage in his room—no full details have been published, and unfortunately I have lost the correspondence; possibly, if he sees this note he will oblige with the details; but, relying upon memory, the young were reared upon insectivorous food, insects, seed and green-food. At any rate, success should be very probable with any of the Grassfinches under the conditions I have given.

Now I think my task is done, and I will merely remark in conclusion that with patience, accommodation somewhat on the lines laid down herein, and a spirit of keep-at-it-iveness, ultimate success could be looked for with most of the fringilline, and also many ploceine species.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

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I HAVE had no personal experience of this deterioration, although I inbred when I have a definite object in doing so, but I have met with this lack of vitality in imported high-class Rollers, and my method has been to give them a moult and a winter's fly in the largest space available; and diet them generously, yet judiciously. In several cases where a cock has failed to fertilise the eggs from more than one hen at the commencement of the breeding season, I have transferred them to a large flight for a couple of months, then taken them back to the breeding cage for the last round, and the average results have been exceedingly satisfactory.

While I recognise the uselessness of this transferring to the flight in the event of a bird being sterile, the foregoing is sufficient to prove that beneficial effects will be obtained from the bird that through lack of stamina is unable to fertilise the eggs properly. I am also conversant that where such a bird is required for the show bench (as our shows are usually held from November to February) a winter's fly is out of the question, yet a moult in the flight could be easily arranged, to follow with another fly immediately it is no longer required for show purposes.

Reverting to the ordinary treatment of the birds now in the flights, if they are treated and dieted as I have recommended they should come through the moult in good order. In the event of any showing that the moult is putting an undue strain upon them, they should be isolated and allowed half-a-teaspoonful of egg food daily, with a little mixed seed, and condition seed given on alternate

days. In a clean glass or earthenware drinker mix half-a-teaspoonful of Parrish's Chemical Food, fresh daily (small quantities of this can be obtained at a chemist's).

When the bird is showing signs of improvement, gradually reduce the diet again to the ordinary one, and place five drops of tincture of gentian in the drinking water, in lieu of the chemical food. On the bird resuming its normal condition it can be put back again in the flight. Medicines and tonics should not be put into metal drinking fountains.

Training the Young Cocks

There are many items that may come under this heading, some important, others of interest. There is so much to be told, that if I should wander from the beaten track I beg forbearance. When the young cocks are progressing with the moult, our thoughts will naturally turn to that important and necessary process, their education. A process, so to speak, of burnishing the raw material, a polish, or a tuition under a good singing schoolmaster. The good example given by the tutor assists the youngsters to sing the various song passages in an approximately desired length, also the ascending or descending the scale with a harmony and modulation that are only fully appreciated by a musical ear. The hollow roll strains often possessed this beautiful sequence of song tours; some, it is true, were more perfect than others.

Reader, in the course of your experience you will no doubt hear that the hollow roll strains were monotonous singers. Some were, and sang in a mechanical kind of way. Yet they possessed other sterling qualities: the

fine rendering of that rich, round and deep-toned hollow roll, that deep, evenly delivered "hoo-hoo-hoo-hoo" of a well rendered schockel, a splendid hollow bell, and a fine bass tour; together with that desideratum in our Glucke singers, a well connected delivery, or to put the same meaning in other words—an unbroken sequence of the song tours.

By the way, what is becoming of that deep-toned hollow Glucke tour that we frequently used to hear? There are, I am fully aware, a few fanciers who have retained it; you will recollect when I described this tour that I said it was a forgettable one, especially where a bird that sings it cannot have assistance from others singing the same tour. I advise you to breed for it, to keep several birds together that are singing the tour, then you will be in the way of retaining this splendid and desirable tour. Don't be apathetical, open your eyes, and what do you see? That where the few have retained the tour, others have lost it. Others, in addition to their hollow Glucke, have introduced, in their desire for new tours, the bell Glucke, which is so liable to deteriorate in value.

Music in Words.

At the time of writing I have beside me a yearling cock that closely resembles the hollow roll type of singer. This bird is giving to a school of youngsters their preliminary education, this is a description of the song this yearling cock has just sang: Commencing on a mellow and moderately deep-toned hollow roll, in a few moments it gradually falls about a semitone, continuing in this key again for a few moments it gradually rises and completes the roll in the original key. This constitutes a good falling and rising hollow roll, as the length of time occupied is approximately the same before, on, and after the fall. Following with a good toned bell roll, which breaks into a bell tour, without a raising of the voice, it gradually falls into a deep-toned schockel that becomes slower and drawn out towards its close, to fall again into a deep-toned bass roll, with a slightly raised voice.

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THE MASTER SINGER OF THE CANARY TRIBE.

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This is turned into a straight water roll, to turn and slowly ascend the scale barely an octave on the same roll. Turning again, the voice is brought down by easy stages into the straight water roll, to conclude with four flute notes. It is hardly necessary to say that the singer has completed his song in less time than it has taken to describe it, and in common with the best of songsters will sometimes omit a tour from a delivery, yet from the commencement to the close there has not been the slightest sign of a break in the delivery I have illustrated.

The Song to Please a Judge.

One of the desired objects in the Roller's song is to obtain a well connected delivery, and from a competition point of view the song I have described, well connected and composed of tours and rolls of a desired equable length, will please a judge better than a disconnected song. The reason for this is apparent. The number of entries at our exhibitions is sometimes huge, as many as ninety birds having been known to compete

in one class. What a contrast to the classes at shows held for the other varieties of Canaries!

When we consider that the judge has to wait and value each bird's song the reader will understand why a bird with a well-connected delivery will find favour and be appreciated over one that sings two or three tours then breaks the sequence, probably to bring the same tours again, adding another, only to break again. This is the style of the majority of our present-day contest singers.

This inclination for more variety, i.e., the Glucke and water tours, has set an arduous task on our judges, and many birds that have a pleasing variety of tours often go cardless simply because they do not sing all they know when they are being judged. It would be unjust to blame the judge for this, for he cannot wait all day for the birds to sing.

I will give an illustration of waiting for a bird to sing all it knows. I was recently judging at a local show, and as length of time was of no consequence to myself, I gave the birds "plenty of latitude" to bring all their tours. After several attempts on the part of a few of the birds, I got all that I supposed they could sing. For others I had to wait longer, and in some cases I waited

for two hours. At intervals during this period one bird treated me with only a prolonged bell tour, another refused to sing, while the third, although having a good variety of tours, would not touch on the hollow roll.

I do not wish it to be understood by this illustration that the judge is to assume that a bird should sing any given tour, yet this is one of those extenuating circumstances where we reason that a contest bird with a good variety of tours and rolls, similar to the one in question, should sing a hollow roll. Neither was my reasoning at fault, for the bird eventually touched on the roll, sufficient for me to have done my duty to all concerned.

"General Effect" and Its Value.

This subject, duty, has been the subject of many debates; some fanciers, upon reading a judge's award sheet—I do not refer to any particular individual—will point out that certain birds have obtained a good number of points for some of the tours, yet only a small number has been allowed for the general effect; this is considered to be wrong, and it is assumed that if the birds can sing tours worthy of such a good number of points, they should have more allowed for the G.E. Personally, I am not in favour of an elaborate

number of points where not deserved, or, as it were "playing to the gallery"; experienced fanciers can form a good opinion of the value of their bird's song, and it is liable to mislead the novice, or one who exhibits his bird to learn the value of its different song tours.

In the matter of G.E., the points are allowed for the style, and the pleasing way the bird connects and delivers the whole of its song; and although some birds sing good tours, they may, and do, deliver the whole of their song in a manner that does not justify a large number of points being given for the G.E. As an illustration, I will say that should a bird sing five good, or fairly good tours, without pausing or breaking the succession of those tours, that bird is worthy of more points for G.E. than a bird would be that sang, say, six or seven such tours, yet broke the sequence of those tours. Or, to put it in another way, sang two tours, then stopped, to start again and sing two or three tours, to stop again, and finish the remainder of its song at the third attempt. Of course this is only an illustration, yet typical of many birds to be met with, and the latter description constitutes what I have previously described as a disconnected delivery.

(To be continued.)

MY CAPE SPARROWS: By the Rev. C. D. FARRAR.

This article is No. 46 of the new series of personal birdy experiences (continued from page 557), entitled "Through a Birdroom Window."

SOME years ago when I was in one of those bird shops in which at that time I spent much of my spare time, and all my spare money, I was offered some birds with which I was quite unfamiliar. The dealer told me they were Cape Sparrows. At first I was inclined to doubt his word, as I thought he had caught some common or garden Sparrows, and was trying to pull my leg; but on looking more closely—remember it is not very easy to see a bird's colour in a dark bird-shop—I noted that these birds had lovely white waistcoats, quite different from the grimy denizens of our streets.

There were five of them altogether, and as the price was not heavy I secured the lot, hoping I had cornered the market. Later, I discovered that a few more had come, so now the only thing remaining was to be the first in the field. They were about the wildest birds I had had for a long time, and dashed against the bars quite after the manner of our garden Sparrow when first caged.

I put them into a big box-cage, and thinking they would like a good tub, I placed for their use a small jam pot, thinking it would give them a better chance of a good "wash." It was very unfortunate that I did so as the event proved, for on coming back to look at them some hours later, I found that one of the birds had in some way lost his balance, and the consequence to him was that he had become what Mr. Mantalini called "a demned moist, unpleasant corpse," and I, sitting on his body, decided, as a mediæval jury once did, "That he had acted by the temptation of the Devil." This at any rate seemed to remove all responsibility from my shoulders. To prevent further "accidents" I carefully removed the cause of offence; for those unfortunate happenings have ere now brought many "to the demnation bow-wows."

So far I had not ventured to take a good look at my new purchases. These were, I could see, as handsome birds as any bird-lover could desire to set eyes on, even under the disadvantageous circumstances under which I first set eyes on them; but it is as unfair to judge a bird as he appears in a dealer's cage as it is to reckon up the attractions of a pretty woman when she is wrapped in a sheet and in the hands of a hairdresser.

When I came back to examine them, after the unpleasant little incident I have briefly referred to, I was decidedly pleased with my new acquisitions. They were, to use a vulgar expression, as handsome as paint. The cock is a bold and striking looking bird, rather bigger and shorter than our English Sparrow. He has a beautiful black mask and bib, a white ear patch, extending over the eye, and a long white waistcoat. His neck, shoulders, and back are a beautiful chestnut bay, his wing coverts delicately pencilled, as also is his tail; his legs dusky flesh colour, and his beak bluish. The hen is altogether smaller, her patches are brownish, her waistcoat buff, and all her colours duller. The sexes are as easy to tell as in the common House Sparrow.

The only thing that troubled me about the birds was their uncanny wildness. I put them into a big compartment of one of my outdoor aviaries, and they went banging about like shots from a catapult, frightening all the other birds into fits, and running an imminent risk of dislocating their own necks against the windows. That is the worst of introducing new birds into a new place, they always cause more or less of an upset. I felt that if I stayed watching them any longer I should break out into a cold perspiration, so I went off and left them to take their luck. When I came back in the afternoon they were not quite so rampagious, though a very slight movement on my part was enough to give them fits; still I was glad to see that the other inmates of the aviary were beginning to regard them merely in the light of "necessary evils."

It took some three days or so for these birds to settle down; during the first few days their innate timidity caused them agonies of fear before they would venture to the seed tray, and they had no time for other things. At the end of a week they somewhat recovered their equanimity, and began to take an interest in their surroundings. The cock Cape Sparrow and a vicious Saffronfinch developed long-threatened divergencies, and the hen Passer arcuatus came to her mate's rescue with beak and claws. As the result of this scrap I had to indulge in a little practical surgery, by sewing on the Saffronfinch's scalp as neatly as I could with a needle and cotton, and I flatter myself it was a very neat job.

Where these Sparrows were confined, the nesting arrangements, I flatter myself, were well nigh perfect. There were cosily-placed boxes cunningly concealed by furze, monster cocoa-nut shells, German travelling cages, and little logs—all things dear to the heart of a nesting bird. The Sparrows were not long in selecting a place for their future family, but of course it was the most awkward and inaccessible site that could be found in the whole place. A nest-box says too much or too little, and is as easy to cross-examine as it is to decipher Hittite inscriptions on Greek palimpsests by the light of nature. I could do nothing; all I knew was that the birds always disappeared at a certain point.

To get a ladder and examine the corner was an obvious suggestion; to do so, I knew, would be the work of a fool. The birds would desert incontinent, and as I thought of how I should have to contain my soul in patience I heaved a sigh as deep as the Atlantic Ocean.

I forgot to say that I only enlarged a single pair of the Sparrows, as long experience has taught me that birds in their little nests do not agree, pace Dr. Watts, especially two hens. I kept my other birds in reserve in case of accidents (which latter generally happen in aviaries, though we usually call them something else). Having prepared my readers for a catastrophe, I may as well tell them that I one morning found the cock with his head fast in a German mouse-trap, which I had thoughtlessly left uncovered on the floor; and it is pleasant to relate that, as in another case in mediæval times, where the body of a man struck by lightning was first found by his wife, the jury expressly exonerated her, saying she was not suspected of having done it; so it was here. It was clearly a case of accidental death!

Luckily, I had a second string to my bow, though I must say I didn't deserve my good fortune. I went and fetched him and let him loose; and that hen eyed him for all the world as though he had suddenly developed horns and a tail, when all the time he was only a very handsome specimen of her own kind. In a few days, like other lovers, they made up their differences, and settled down to married life, and a quiet complacency overspread my face like stealing sunbeams; but suddenly I pulled myself up. "A pretty building I'm making," I said to myself, "without either bricks or mortar. I'm up in the garret already, and I haven't as much as dug the foundation."

A Sign of "Business Meant."

But one morning I was charmed to see a long untidy straw sticking out of a box, and that I felt meant business. Nobody but a Sparrow would be so untidy. Are not our English Sparrows the same at nesting time? Clearly the lady had found consolation. She was like the widower who inscribed on his wife's tombstone "The light of my life has gone out," and excused himself to his successor by adding, "But I have struck another!" A few more days and the nest was evidently finished, and the hen remained most of her time within, only coming off at rare intervals to feed.

Then ensued a period of suspense; but one morning when I went to feed, I saw on the floor a little naked squab, kicking feebly and looking decidedly uncomfortable, beneath the box where the nest was. If I had not been a priest, I think it would have been helpful to say things; as it was I could only look them and think them.

The cock sat on a branch, opening and shutting his mouth—beak, I mean—like the whale preparing to swallow Jonah. I rushed away, got a short step-ladder, and after well warming the squirming morsel in my hand for a few minutes, mounted, and dropped it into the nest. I could not put it in, as the hole was too small, and I was too frightened of scaring the hen, and making her forsake the nest. It was an unfortunate accident, and yet it had its consolations; for it told me what I wanted to know so badly, that the eggs had hatched. Still it was quite on the cards that if the squab had fallen awkwardly the hen would fail to find him, and he would rapidly go bad, and she would forsake.

Having learnt that the young were hatched, I knew that the only thing was to keep them going by a liberal supply of live food. Accordingly I placed two dishes on the food tray, one containing fresh ants' eggs—the season was July—and the other a tasty but decidedly strong-smelling assortment of gentles. The bill of fare evidently suited the parents, for they spent the whole twenty-four hours in making rapid visits to the dishes in turn. These Cape Sparrows at the time of incubation are like so many other

birds, purely insectivorous, and it is hopeless to expect them to rear young unless you supply their natural requirements.

Day by day the sounds within the box became louder and louder, exactly, in fact, like the cries of a lot of hungry young English Sparrows; and the old father was as proud as a cock on the wall. To see him descend to the food dish



The Abyssinian Ground Hornbill is a member of that curious family of birds distinguished by the extraordinary development of their bills. In the species depicted it appears almost as though a small beak had been superimposed upon a large one.

and gather up a beakful of maggots was a sight for the gods, and the look on his face was for all the world as though he said "Its all for your good," like ringing a pig! If he failed to come back at the right moment, his wife told him what she thought of him to-day, what she had always thought of him, and what his innocent babies would think of him in time to come.

One morning I noticed a strange little bird sitting on a branch near the nest, a little brown, undistinguished-looking thing, and I knew, with a quickening of the pulse, that I saw before me the young Passer arcuatus. In a day or two the rest emerged, and in a few days my interest in them waned, and my fickle fancy turned to newer and more exciting doings.

Then interest once more revived, for I noticed that the Sparrows were nesting a second time; but it was not long before I saw something was amiss. The birds would not enter the nest, for some reason. I got the steps to find out the cause, and to my disgust there was a great fat doe mouse with her litter inside. You all remember the story of the little girl who was found leaning against a sundial and watching the movements of a fly upon the dial face. "Ickle fly," she whispered, "who made 'oo?" "God," she whispered, giving question and answer. "Ickle fly, does 'oo love God? Ess? Ickle fly, would 'oo like to go to God? Ess? Den go." I'm afraid I said something like that to the old mouse and her offspring. At any rate they found themselves in a bucketful of water.

The great drawback in keeping softbilled birds is the nature of their food when they are rearing young. Gentles are high smelling, though I think their odour is decidedly healthy. It always reminds one of "Serubbs' Ammonia," which we are told is so good for putting in the bath. Some people are so particular. I once kept white mice. I simply adored them. The rest of the family alluded to my adored ones in no measured language and in the rudest way as "stinking little brutes." I went so far as to sprinkle them with eau de cologne. Even this did not satisfy. They could stand one odour, they told me, but two together was out of all reason.

I think there is only one safe way of keeping birds that rear their young on gentles; you must keep them out of doors—that is to say, if you value your domestic peace. In the house, as most of us married men know, it is ce qui femme vault! It isn't pleasant to be watched all day with the tragic front of a Cassandra. Thank goodness, I haven't got one; but some of my brothers are not so happy!

Correspondence.

A Linnet Problem.

Sir,—This year some friends of mine have caged several nests of Linnets. They have been very numerous and nested in nearly all the allotments near the town. One nest was hatched in a sprouting broccoli, and four young ones were caged and the cage put in the broccoli. They were left with the old ones to feed for about six weeks, and plenty of mixed seeds from penny packets were put in the cage for the young to peck at, while during the time they were caged plenty of mixed seed was placed on a board for the old ones to feed from and give to the young. Two nests were served in a similar way. After the young were taken from the old ones and brought home, they were all kept together for a time, put out of doors in the day-time and at night placed in a barn to keep them from cats, etc. As soon as these birds were parted and given away and had been kept indoors for a few days, they all died, with the exception of one, which the man who originally caged them kept for himself; and this one was out of doors daily and in the barn at night. All were fed on the same seeds, and given the same green food, yet died in two or three days. These two lots were under my own and my neighbours' eyes. I wonder why they died on being brought into the house? I have not known such a thing happen before, and have kept them for years, and raised dozens in this way.

NIMROD.

Judging Norwich Plainheads to the Standard.

Sir,—With reference to "Size, Type and Quality's" reply to my letter of July 25, I personally cannot see any reason for him being amused; perhaps he is blessed with a superabundance of humour. It is to me a subject too serious altogether for amusement. However, his letter only goes to prove my statement, that there is a great variety of opinion on what the standard ought to be. It is not like a political question to be twisted and turned to suit one's own perception—it is an ideal. It is there for all to see, as plain as the proverbial pikestaff. I am neither a novice nor a disappointed exhibitor; nor am I even a citizen of Manchester, where this show was held. I do know what a good bird ought to be, and whatever "Size, Type and Quality" may think about it the birds in question were undoubtedly long-sided birds, especially the yellow. However, I did not intend to enter on any discussion as to the merits or demerits of those birds. All I desired was to call the attention to the state of affairs existing to-day that ought certainly to be readjusted. I hope that selection committees when appointing judges for their back and shows will give the matter their most earnest consideration. They will thereby indirectly assist the good work of the Norwich Plainhead Club. Whilst I am on the subject I might suggest that the N.P.C. take the matter up, and let it be distinctly understood that their standard must be strictly adhered to, and not allow a matter like this to fizzle out as the result of petty bickerings.

NORWICH STANDARD.

Did Birds Originate from Reptiles?

Sir,—Are we not fast going into "Cranky-land" when we try to make believe that birds originated from reptiles? According to my reading, reptiles embrace the tortoises, lizards, serpents, crocodiles, etc., or in other words many animals which have a shell-like covering. Do supporters of this theory of evolution wish to convey to the uneducated that shells have transformed into feathers? What tommyrot! The reptiles as a class are mostly of aquatic habits. Birds in themselves are classified, according to the demands of the "Battle for Existence," as aquatic and terrestrial and not only are they so, but were—at the Creation—made so. I note Mr. R. Maxwell Savage in his letter refers to man not being intended for an upright being; his whole anatomy shows (he says) his upright bearing to be artificial—his digestive apparatus would work much better were he to adopt a quadrupedal attitude. Now I should like him to prove the latter. I know that people bend their heads when they wish to be relieved of an overloaded stomach! If the quadrupedal form is the original, then a man bent like a bow through overwork or rheumatism is an ideal being!

I note that Mr. Percy A. Thurley states that when someone produces a cross between a bird and a reptile, we can do no other than fall in with the views of those who would have us believe that such was the origin of birds. I will go one further, Mr. Thurley (though I agree with you so far) in that I would insist upon a production from that cross and another reptile before I would accept science as against Creation. My advice

to bird fanciers is to keep on studying the best way of producing the ideal exhibition specimens and keeping them alive—perhaps with reptiles, eh?—Lizard? Canaries excepted.

J. KERSHAW.

[The question really is, whether birds and reptiles are descended from the same ancestral stock—one branch from this prehistoric common stock evolving into the birds as we know them to-day, and the other into the reptiles. Believers in evolution do not claim that birds originated from reptiles; they claim that a study of the fossilised remains of such extinct creatures as bear upon the point justify the assumption that birds and reptiles had in the remote past one common source of origin. The two branches have, of course, in the countless ages that have elapsed, diverged in very different directions, so that no obvious resemblance remains to connect them, either one with the other, or with this common ancestral stock. The idea that modern birds and reptiles could interbreed is too grotesque to merit even mention.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

Sir,—Mr. Wells might have saved himself a lot of time and writing if he had omitted to introduce so much matter that is irrelevant to the question under discussion. The question is not one on which speculation will count. It is a scientific question, and any attempt to solve it on theoretic evolution will assuredly fail. For over forty years evolution has been a particular study with me. Independent thought, observation and examination have eliminated much of the fine-spun theories connected with the problem and tempered the optimistic opinions I once held, like Mr. Wells. What I desire him to do is to prove by exact knowledge within the living experience of man that a bird was not always a bird; to inform us of that intelligence which was conscious of and witnessed the physical transition of the reptile into the bird, and to tell us by direct testimony that the physiology and anatomy of a bird were ever different from what is familiarly known to our modern experience. There is an eternal gulf between theory, speculation, assumption, etc., and fact established by science. Science being organised experience knows nothing of reptilian origin. It has never come within the scope of its experience, and until we have such knowledge and experience, science cannot accept the theory. Further, will Mr. Wells be bold enough to affirm on scientific authority that there are no reptiles which do not reproduce by eggs and no birds extant whose legs are free from scales?

A. McLEAN.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

Sir,—If the writers of last week's letters are members it would be more in place if they were to bring their grievances before the society. Now Mr. Moule made a disturbance at our annual meeting because he was not put in office (these are his own words at this meeting, and I have other members to prove it). He was nominated for three offices, but was not elected. He has attended about four meetings since, and has made disturbances at three of them, ignoring the Chairman and telling different members that they are no good to the society. We picked a deputation to wait upon him, and he promised to be different, but has not fulfilled his promise. Several members wished me to call the committee together, with the result that they passed on a recommendation to the monthly meeting to expel him, which was carried. I notice he states there was a bit of jealousy about him being elected to judge our First Feather show, and that we thought to get a "bit of fun." I would like him to prove these statements. I was the one who nominated him for judge, and I will defy him to prove I nominated him for fun. As regards jealousy, personally I don't know who should have reason to be jealous of him. What occurred between himself and a certain member outside the meeting has nothing to do with the society. Mr. Moule stated before leaving the meeting that whichever way the ballot went he would shake hands freely with every member. Is this the way you do it, Mr. Moule, by running to the Press, making complaints? There are certain men it is impossible to do anything with in a society unless they hold the reins, and I am sorry to have to say, Mr. Moule, that in my opinion you are one of these.

GEO. BROOME (late Secretary).

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Sir,—Being a constant reader of CAGE BIRDS, I should like to know if any reader has had the same fortune as myself. I set a Canary hen on three eggs on the 13th of July, and on the 26th she hatched out two birds, and yet she still had two eggs! I know for certain she had set her time out on three eggs, as two days before her time was up I had the nest pan out and had a look at the eggs. The other two eggs hatched out the next morning, so that I have been fortunate enough to get four birds out of three eggs, and all the birds are doing well.

W. H. JACKSON.

[A number of cases of two birds hatching out of one egg have from time to time been notified in our columns.—EDITOR.]

Never Say Die!

Sir,—I see in CAGE BIRDS a certain gentleman saying "Never say die" when you are a Canary breeder. I am very pleased he has such good faith, as I myself am of the same opinion. This is my first year of breeding Roller Canaries (well, Canaries of any kind). My father bought me a grand Roller cock for 15s. about two years ago, which has been a very fine songster. I had a Roller hen given me by a friend who does a little breeding for a hobby and for sale. Well, I paired them up and got four nice young birds. I paired them up a second time, and also got four young—each time out of four eggs. But the third time I paired them up I got five young birds out of four eggs, which, it being my first year of breeding, surprised me very much. Then I paired up again, and have now got another nest of four young. All these young have been bred by the same cock and hen, and all have been brought up by the hen alone. I take the cock bird away when the third egg is laid. I had another hen which I paired to the same cock, and got three young out of four eggs; one being dead in the shell. The latter hen has got four more eggs, which she is sitting on. So I thought I would like your readers to know of my first year's breeding as a novice. I should very much like to know if this is not a nice record for a novice with one cock bird and two hens in one season up to July 31? I have 20 young, and 4 eggs sitting at the present time. Starting a novice,

I give the credit for all my success to your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, and the good book by Claude St. John, called "Canary Breeding for Beginners." It is not only a pleasure to read them, but they are perfect guides to all (not only the novice) in all things concerning Canary breeding. I wish your paper all success, and hope to continue in the same way of good management by the help of CAGE BIRDS. I should like to mention that although breeding strongly with my cock bird he is still in full song and health.

FRED WM. CROWTHER.

Sir,—I have been reading the letter under "Never say die," and with your permission I would like to give you my experience of my first season's Canary breeding, thinking perhaps it might be of interest to others just starting and who are inclined to give up at the first piece of bad luck. I started with one cock and two hens. One hen went to nest and laid five eggs, and brought out five healthy chicks, but gave up feeding on the 6th day. She went to nest again and laid one egg; next day I found her dead, egg-bound. The other hen went to nest and laid three eggs and brought out and reared three very healthy birds, two cocks and one hen—the cocks are singing now. This hen went to nest again, and again laid three eggs and brought out two chicks (the other was dead in shell). She fed these birds very well for five days, when she suddenly took ill and died the next day. I had no other hen to give the chicks to, so they were lost. Thus out of three nests I have three birds. But I am as proud of those three as some, no doubt, would be of three dozen, and I intend, in spite of my bad luck, to try again next season. The Fancy teaches one patience. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.

WM. PERRIN.

The Catching of Goldfinches.

Sir,—Would any of your numerous readers kindly tell me the best place to catch a few Goldfinches? I intend to have a few days in the country. I have been a reader of your grand paper since its birth.

WORKING MAN (Morpeth).

[We think our friend will be well advised if he leaves the catching of Goldfinches until, at least, the first week in October.—EDITOR.]

HOW LINNET SINGING CONTESTS & CLUBS ARE RUN.

Sir,—I will try and tell how we in Lancashire carry a club on. Some districts have a contest for time singing only; that is, the bird wins that sings the longest time in a period of time agreed on—say half a minute face to face, and five minutes of what we call "behind screen." Some have a minute face to face and eight minutes behind screen, just as the members agree to sing. The prizes are according to the number of entries. Others, such as Blackburn Linnet Club (which is the oldest and best club in Lancashire) hold contests for quality only, with three judges, one being picked for final judge out of the three. Leigh, near Wigan (another good club of its kind) has prizes for time singing, and also for quality singing. It would pay other societies to follow the example of Leigh.

Now all the club sings and open sings are sung on what we call "the wood;" that is, a kind of shelf put straight across the window, level with the sash. You get in your entries of birds, and the entries never close before the last three pair are left to go up; that means about a quarter of an hour before the contest will be over. Any man or woman (we have one, at least, here interested in Linnet singing) can enter as many birds as they wish, but can only win one prize with one bird (unless stated to the contrary beforehand). When you make a start, you put your shelf up to the window. You then want a slide to go between the cages; anything will do so long as the birds cannot see each other when put up. It must not be touching the cages, and both sides must be alike (not one side red and the other side white). Just a plain piece of wood is best, made to stand up by itself. You want a minute man; that is, a man to keep his eye on the watch to see when the half minute is up. He puts the slide between the birds when the half minute ends, whether the bird is singing or not; then he keeps his eye on the watch for the other four and a half minutes. The best way for him is to get five matches, or eight as the case might be, and drop a match every minute; otherwise he will lose count, no matter how clever he is. Then you want two timers (that is, in time singing) to count the seconds that each bird sings. You also want two tappers. So you have two men for each bird. One has to keep his eye on the watch, the other on the bird. Sings do not count if the bird sings under three, or five, seconds, as may be agreed to. The tapper keeps his eye on the bird, and when he sees the bird on his side singing he

squeezes the timer's arm or leg, to let him count the seconds that the bird sings. No one is allowed to move in the room when singing is on. The timer books down on a slip the time his tapper has given him, such as 7, 9, 4, etc. No one must tell what any bird has done until the contest is over. Every bird, after it has sung, is given to a bird keeper. He takes your bird off you, and it is locked away out of hearing of the other birds that have to sing in the contest. It is in safe keeping, and it ensures that you cannot sing the same bird twice in one contest. Of course, all the cages are numbered, and you draw lots which bird shall sing first. We will say 30 birds are entered. I draw number 29; the next man draws 2. Our two birds sing together, and the first pair out of the hat sing first; second pair next, and so on. I like to leave the counting of the seconds to the secretary. He always invites anyone to count the sheets up, if he wishes, before he (the sec.) reads the winners out. Of course, every member understands that his bird must be covered up when he is in the contest room; that is, when his number is called as one of the next pair, he puts a cover over his bird's cage until the minute man gives him the word to put it in the window with the bird he has drawn against. When time is up the minute-man stamps his foot, and says "up." If there is anyone who does not understand this description, let him pay a visit to Blackburn or Leigh, and he will soon see; and if he tells the fanciers where he comes from he will not go hungry or dry! After the contest is over, and the winners are drawing their prizes (which are always given as soon as possible after the contests) you will hear the boys say "Don't forget the cap." The winners always give a little towards an entertainment fund. So when all is settled, and all have their birds back, we usually get up a little sing-song and let the birds see how men can sing. It is good sport for anyone interested in birds; of course, it would be slow to others, especially if it happens that a good few birds don't sing. I only wish we had contests oftener; and if Blackburn and other clubs would try time and quality they would get more members. I do not mean always, but at open contests such as Leigh have now and again. I hope to see all local fanciers in a Pendlebury contest shortly; but understand it is only a cottage window where we have the singing. Still, it is the same for one as for the other.

ALEX. DONNELLY.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Continued from Overleaf.

Preparing Linnets for Contest Singing.

Sir, In reply to "Linet" re preparing Linnets for contest singing, I have the "Nutshell" booklet on the Linnet, but I am only a novice, so if "Linet" could give me any special seed mixture, etc., for use for contest singing, I would put him on to a special singing cage. Any special information will be thankfully received.

J. HOUGHTON.

The Annual Show of the Bristol Fanciers' Association.

Sir,—The Bristol Fanciers' show on Sept. 30th and Oct. 1st will not be held at the Bristol Exhibition, as originally arranged. A winding-up order was made against the Company on the 20th July, and at present the Exhibition is being carried on by the Receiver. The Receiver (Mr. Sedgwick) in an interview with our Chairman stated that he could not guarantee that the Exhibition will remain open up to that date. I had received many promises of support from others than our own members, prizes, cash and specials to a value of over £400 being offered, and shall therefore be glad if you will insert this announcement that we have arranged to hold the show on the same dates at the Bristol Coliseum, and that it is hoped with their permission to carry the show through with no other alteration than that of venue. Particulars will appear in your advertising column in due course.

G. T. H. MAOBS. Secretary, Bristol F.A.

A Goldfinch Fertilises Thirty-seven Eggs.

Sir,—Could any of your readers tell me the greatest number of Mules a Goldfinch has been known to be the father of in one season? My reason for asking is this: I have a "Pea-throat" Finch which I purchased last November as a house moulted bird. I had four hen Canaries which I bought, knowing how they were bred, with the idea of breeding light Mules. I decided to run the Finch with the four hens in single box cages, passing him on from one hen to the other as the hens went to nest. My idea in running him with the four hens was to weaken his breeding power so that he was only just in condition to fertilise the eggs, as my opinion is the Finch plays an important part in Light Mule breeding, and that light Mules are mostly bred from old Finches, or one only just able to fertilise the eggs. Up to the present he has fertilised 37 eggs. I have five to hatch now, and 28 have hatched, while four young died in the shell. Two of the young were quite clear, and 6 very light. I am now running the Finch with the last hen for this season. I should like to know if anyone has bred so many from one Goldfinch?

F. GROOM.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

TYLDESLEY.

Linet contest, Queen Hotel Linnet Club, open to all England, for time and quality; there was only a poor entrance, only 29 birds faced the judges. Judges for quality, W. Barnes and W. Cain; timekeepers, G. Partington and Disley; tappers, T. Robinson and J. Sitherland; birdman, J. Tate. Quality: 1, Fairhurst; 2, Barnes; 3, Cain; 4, Knowles. Time: 1, Harrison, 124 secs.; 2, Darbyshire, 109 secs.; 3, Donnelly, 109 secs.; 4, Knowles, 83 secs.—F. Kennedy, Assist. Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing for Linnets, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, July 31st. Nineteen birds competed for three prizes. 1, Binns; 2, Ward; 3, Rosindale. Judges, C. Clayton, Granger.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec. Leeds Linnet and Canary Club quality singing matches, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, August 1st. Fourteen birds entered. 1, Ward, a nice scraping and reeling bird; 2, Tom Chippindale; 3, (shared) Playforth and Wigfield. Judges, Sellers and Solomon. August 2, only 16 birds entered. 1, Playforth; 2, 3, (shared) Wood and J. Chippindale. Judges, A. Lorrain and N. Solomon. August 8, 16 birds. 1, Wigfield; 2, 3, Playforth. Judges, P. Madden and Appleyard.

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THE SHOWS.

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SOUTHPORT C.B.S.

Second N.F. shows, Aug. 1. Norwich were again down in numbers, but a stormer was staged by Mr. Sutton, a cl. yell. that with luck should moult out a wonder. If it doesn't develop too much feather. Yorks. were out in greater force, and some nice youngsters were staged. Mr. W. C. Kay judged. YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Sutton; 3, H. Johnson; vhc, Johnson; c, Fawcett. BUFF: 1, 2, Sutton; 3, Fawcett; vhc, Johnson. VAR. BUFFS.: 1, 2, Sutton; 3, H. Johnson. YORCS. YELL.: 1, vhc, Nixon; 2, Whitehead; 3, hc, Linaker; c, Wright. BUFF: 1, vhc, c, Linaker; 2, 3, Wright; hc, Nixon. VAR. BUFF: 1, Wright; 2, 3, hc, c, Nixon; vhc, Whitehead. A.O.V.: 1, hc, Johnson; 2, Sutton.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Third annual Y.B. show, Aug. 1, Cairns Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road. About 90 young birds were on the bench. Mr. J. F. Dewar, Edinburgh, judged, and his awards were very cordially received. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, 3, A. Brown; 2, McGinty; 4, sp., Watson; 5, Charlton. BUFF: 1, Grant; 2, Brown; 3, McGinty; 4, Frier; 5, Staines; 6, Morrison; 7, Stormont. GR. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, 5, Thomson; 2, Staines; 3, Frier; 4, McGinty; 6, Dale. BUFF: 1, Grant; 2, Thomson; 3, Watson; 4, Dale; 5, Morrison; 6, McGinty; 7, Hunter. CREST OR C.B.: 1, 2, Saffie; 3, Morrison. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Brash; 2, 4, Spittal; 3, Napier; 5, Weir; 6, Michie; 7, Spittal. A.O. MURRAY: 3, Brash; 5, Michie; 6, 7, Spittal. A.O. COL. YELL.: 1, 3, Michie; 2, Spittal; 3, Watson; 5, Weir; 6, Hay. BUFF: 1, Brash; 2, Spittal; 3, Murray; 4, Napier; 5, 6, 7, Hay. SCOTCH FCY. YELL.: 1, 2, Steel. BUFF: 1, Steel; CINN.: 1, 2, Watson; 3, 5, Charlton; 4, Thomson. HYB. OR LT. MULE: 1, Watson. VAR. MULE: 1, Gormont; 2, Bell, junr. GOLD OR LINNET MULE (DK.): 1, Dick; 2, Bell, junr.—J. C. Charlton, sec.

BEAUMARIS.

Eleventh annual show, August 3, in glorious weather. The birds made a grand display of good specimens in all varieties. Yorks. held their own well in number and quality, Norwich making headway in numbers, the veterans well to the fore and hard to beat. Several promising youngsters were also on view, well through the moult; others that will make a name for themselves later on. A good class of Finches and Mules came forward. Mr. Hughes made an efficient sec. Mr. W. H. Williams won special most entries and most points. Hyde's sp., Mrs. Jones. Mr. E. K. Roberts judged very satisfactorily.

YORKS. YELL. (9): 1, Nolan, wing tkd., nice length, good shape and col., very ht, on good legs; 2, J. Jones, cl. yell., good length and pose, shapely; 3, Gallichan, cl., slim and tight, very taking; res., Mrs. Jones; vhc, H. Jones. BUFF (5): 1, Nolan, grand, cl., shapely and stylish, well moulded, straight, boxy feather, well known; 2, Herbert Jones, uneven mkd., grand length and style, good pos., little to choose; 3, Gallichan, cl., nice length, shapely, on good legs; vhc, Roberts Bros. NOR., YELL. (5): 1, 2, 3, W. H. Williams, grand trio of the first water, loader, cl., yell., good body, shape and sub., rich col.; 2, 3, clears, typical youngsters, former best head and neck, will be heard of again, grand qual.; res., Ferries. BUFF (8): 1, 2, hc, W. H. Williams, winner-four-pointed, added another win to his long list, rare specimen, often noted, cl. buff, grand size and qual., good head and neck; 3, res., J. Jones, varieg., nice qual., good wings and tail, shade lighter; vhc, A. E. Ferris. GOLDF. (4): 1, res., W. H. Williams, grand size and shape, good flush face, rare tan, and markings; 2, 3, E. Jones, 2nd, excellent coloured blaze, nice tan, 3rd, shapely, good size, blaze and col. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, 2, 3, Hughes Bros., six-pointed Goldfinch-Canary, nice size and qual., won 2nd, Dark Buff Goldfinch-Can., good size, rich blaze, 3, dk. Linnet Mule; res., Humphreys. BULLF. ETC. (5): 1, 2, hc, Green, rich coloured Bullf., leading, good size, grand cap; 2, Griffiths, good Bullf., great size, good cap, beaten col.; 3, W. H. Williams, large, nice col.; res., Hughes. FOR. (6): 1, 3, Harrison, Alexandrine Parakeet, excellent condition, 3rd, Diamond Sparrows; 2, Griffiths, good Lorikeet; hc, Green. BRIT. (3): 1, Nolan, Waxwing, good size, superb markings, excellent form; 2, Griffiths, good sized Waxwing, not so fit; 3, J. Jones, Chaffinch, good col., unsteady yet. BORD. (6): 1, H. Jones, cl. buff, shapely, jaunty car., nicely clothed; 2, Miss Hughes, neck mkd. yell., good type and feather; 2, Nolan, Cinn. mkd., neat youngster; hc, Green.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Troon and Loans (Ayrshire)—Aug. 29. Judge, A. McKeeking. 21 cl., (Scott Fancy 2, Nor. 2, Bord. 4, Local Can. 1, Brit. 9 (2 Local), For. 1, Sell 1, Gift 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee, 1s. 6d. Entries close Aug. 25, to R. Wallace, 56, Portland Street, Troon.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

A REPORT (W. H.).—Many thanks for sending result of the treatment, which I am very glad to know has been successful so far, and trust recovery will soon be quite complete.

CAUSE OF PARALYSIS (S. A. M. James).—As the bird was palpably weak and delicate from the beginning it is more than likely that the condition you took for paralysis was nothing more than progressive weakness which took away the power of the bird to maintain its hold upon a perch. It is not unusual for these very delicate, anaemic specimens to lose the power of perching before the end arrives, but only a post-mortem could reveal the actual cause of the condition with any degree of certainty. This should always take place as quickly after death as possible, and would be useless in this particular case after this lapse of time even if you wished for it to be done.

AN ILL-KEPT CANARY (Harvester).—Insects may probably have been the cause of the bird's condition in the first place, but I do not think they are likely to be any trouble now, so, beyond giving a bath in which you have added a few drops of essence of quassia about twice a week for a few weeks, you need trouble no further about these pests. Treat the bird as follows and it will no doubt moult out into good plumage. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape, which you may scald now and again for a little change, and on these days give also a little green salad of some kind. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of mixture of equal parts of hemp, niger, black rape, linseed, teazle, and broken groats. Three times a week for the next month give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut dusted with flour of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar, and each time add on the following day as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threopenny-piece to the drinking water. Slightly smear the bare places twice a week for a month with sulphur ointment, but do not daub the plumage unnecessarily. Allow the bird to bathe as often as it likes.

AFFECTED BY MOULTING (Hampstead).—It is not at all unusual for birds to be affected more than usual by the moult when they have left their youth behind them, and I do not think there is much the matter with your bird other than the natural effect of the moult. I think it will come all right if you take due precautions to protect it from direct cold draughts, and feed it rather liberally. Add to its diet a morsel of bread soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar three or four times a week, and three times a week add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the drinking water. The scaly legs and feet are probably due to the bird's age, and the tenderness is undoubtedly due to the moult. Bathe them once a day for a few days in a solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of the acid in a saucerful of warm water—then dry, and anoint them gently with sulphur ointment. The difficulty of getting about the perches may be due to overgrown claws. If the bird is troubled in this way cut the claws back to a proper length with a sharp pair of nail or embroidery scissors after bathing them clean.

BREEDING QUERIES (J. S. de Freitas).—(1) Minor noises of any ordinary nature, such as "poking the fire," etc., whilst hens are sitting, will have no effect whatever in preventing the eggs hatching, but it is possible that sudden sharp noises, such as the violent slamming of a door anywhere near the cages may be responsible for chicks being dead in shells. It is best to avoid extraordinary disturbances of the latter nature at all times, but especially when eggs are getting near the time for hatching; but you need not fear any ordinary domestic noises doing harm. (2) I would not go so far as to say it is absolutely essential to give green food during the breeding season, because I have known fanciers

breed successfully who never, or very rarely, supplied any green food. But I do say that it is most advisable to give it, and by doing so your chances of success, particularly with shy feeding hens, are very considerably increased. I do not consider either apple or banana is a quite efficient substitute for crisp young green salads when breeding, though banana may be given in addition if desired, or as a quite temporary substitute. Apple I should avoid at that season. (3) I have not myself used the food you name as a complete substitute for egg, so cannot speak from experience. I believe others have succeeded with it.

A CEREAL FOOD (A. A. S.).—Honestly, my opinion of the food of which you sent sample and prescription is that with a little less salt in it it might make a serviceable meal for rearing chickens or ducklings, but for young Canaries I should expect only the fittest and strongest to survive, in spite of, rather than in virtue of this food. The author in question was undoubtedly a man of experience, but nevertheless I doubt whether he ever reared many birds on this food. It contains too much salt, and far too much free oil from the linseed and hemp. The fact that only one of your birds seem to care for it should suffice to condemn it as a substitute for egg-food in your case. It is utterly useless expecting to succeed in rearing young with a food which the parent birds refuse to eat freely. If you want a substitute use the biscuit and desiccated egg which has been given in this column several times in the last month or so.

MORE SEED SAMPLES (E. B.).—The Canary is a trifle small, but is very clean, bright and sweet, and of excellent quality. Rape No. 1 is a good quality of English rape often sold as cole. When a good usable quality of summer rape cannot be got, it forms a tolerable substitute. Rape No. 2 is genuine summer rape, but is very dull, small, and besprinkled with foreign substances, as though it had been not too well stored. A staple of equal parts canary and summer rape, with a rather more frequent supply of soft food, and otherwise the same as other varieties, is the way to feed Rollers when breeding. You should look up the series of articles on the Roller which have been appearing in our columns during the past few months.

BAD PLUMAGE (W. H. C.).—Examine the bird's cage well for red mites, and if any are found, take the necessary steps to exterminate them. Allow frequent opportunities for bathing in fair weather. Do not worry about mating her until she is in quite good plumage again. Give a staple mixture of two parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this, give separately every second day a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut, soaked in cold milk, drained, lightly dusted with flour of sulphur, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar. On the alternate days give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts inga, millet, linseed, teazle, and broken groats. Also give a young growing stool of dandelion daily. Continue the above feeding for three or four weeks, and during the first week add ten drops of glycerine and ten of lemon juice to the water every second day. The rape of which you sent sample is winter rape. Get summer rape of a mild nutty flavour, and limit the use of the sort you send to seed mixtures for occasional use.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Ballye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Canary," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

CEASED SINGING (O. R. K.).—It is not very unusual for a cock which was in good vigorous song to cease singing when mated. Therefore, as both your birds appear to be quite fit in all other respects, I do not suppose there is anything at all wrong with them, so you can only let Nature follow the usual course. You certainly mated the birds too early, so you must not be surprised to have found the clutch of eggs of low fertility.

STILL TIPLING (Ayrshire).—You should see that your seeds and other foods, especially the hemp, are quite sound and good. Stop green food for the present, and do not relax your efforts to keep the cage floor and perches as clean as possible. Every second day give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, teazle, maw, and crushed plain biscuit (dry), and on the alternate days give a morsel of bread and milk dusted with carbonate of bismuth. In the drinking water add six drops of tincture of gentian and four of tincture of opium daily until the looseness stops. Continue this treatment for a week or fortnight, as may seem necessary.

TWO YORKSHIRES (Cannibal).—(1) You must first remove all the exciting causes of bronchial trouble, such as cold draughts, dusty or impure air, sudden fluctuations of heat and cold, etc. Keep bird in a moderate temperature, fairly equable, and do not hang it high up near the ceiling nor near or over a burning light in the evenings. Give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give a little green food in variety. Add a pinch of Epsom salts to the water for one day, and afterwards five drops each of syrup of squills, ipecac. wine, and tincture of lobelia every second day for a fortnight or three weeks, as may seem necessary. (2) There must have been something very wrong with the youngster, for the hen to kill and half eat it at sixteen days old. At this age the young should have been getting very nicely fledged, and getting nearly ready to leave the nest, and altogether a tough morsel for its mother to half eat. If she had been neglecting it previously, so that it was not properly grown, try the method of feeding advised to "Laurence Connell" in this issue, with the next brood, and if the cock was taken away this time, try leaving him in the next time. If she then begins to ill-treat the young, at once transfer them to a foster mother, if one is available. Seeking the morsel of lean beef on the end of a perch for the hen to peck at has been advised for this vice, but I have no personal experience of its efficacy, and immediate transference is the best remedy.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

MANY QUESTIONS (E. Splinks).—Young birds of all kinds should have a certain quantity of soft food...

BIRD FOR AVIARY (Goldchall).—Your aviary will not be large enough to contain many birds; the pairs that you suggest putting in would be ample...

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LINNET MOULTING (S. Clifford).—If your Linnet went through a soft moult in the spring he should have his proper moult in the autumn...

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MORTALITY AMONG HENS (M.G.L.).—(1) It would need a long article to fully deal with this matter. The causes are mostly climatic.

until it begins to sprout, when it is ready for use. When they begin to peck up, give the soaked rape, maw, cracked hemp, canary, and later some sunflower...

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Aittrincham C.B.S.—Aug. 8, 7. Schedule for annual open show, Oct. 31.—G. Beardsall.

Attcliffe C.B.S.—Aug. 13, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8. Lecture by Mr. T. Hemming.—E. Johnson.

Ayr C.B.C.—Aug. 11, Wallace Tower Hall, 7.30. Appointing Sec.; classification for open show.—R. Aitken.

Annfield Plain C.B.S.—Aug. 8, Mr. Hanagan's 7.30. Important business.—W. Thompson.

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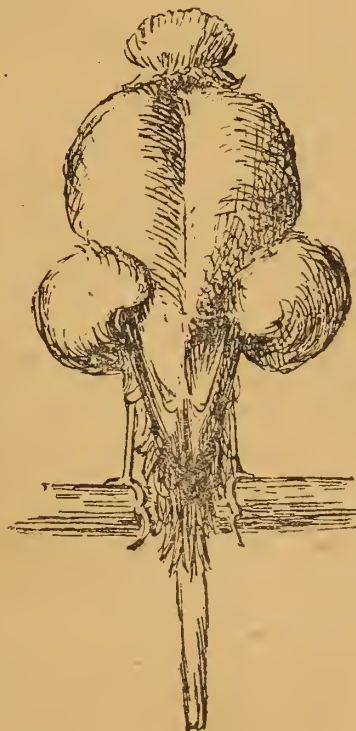
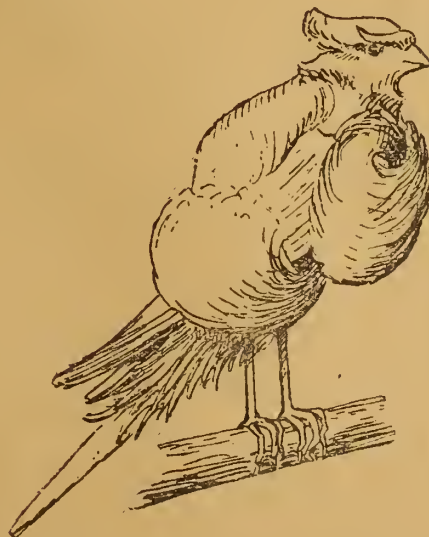
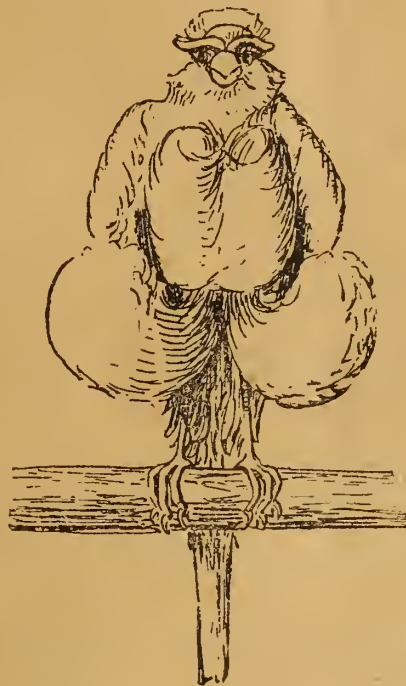
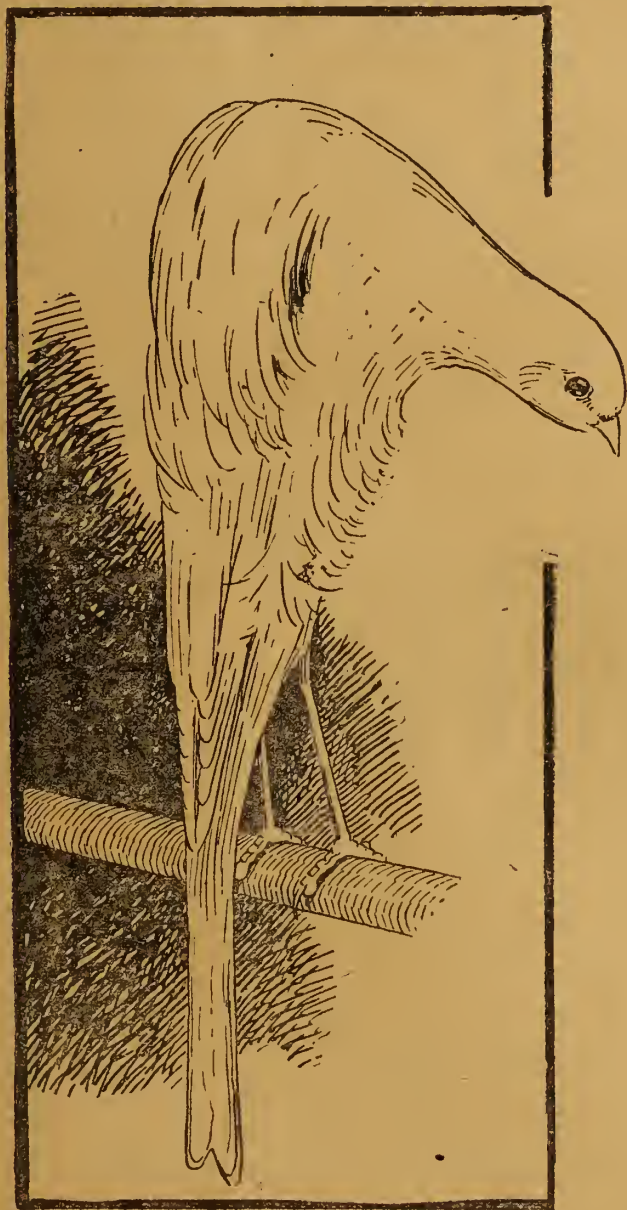
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Twitterings.

The annual show of the Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A. will be held at Llandudno on Nov. 7.

Please notify my change of address from Desmond Street to 10, Longwood Avenue, Dublin, writes Mr. Arthur J. Whitty.

The secretary of the Torbay (Paignton) O.S. writes that they will not hold their annual open and members' show on Oct. 21st.

Please make it known through CAGE BIRDS that Guisborough Priory has cancelled its open show date for the present.—Wm. Waraker, Sec.

At a meeting of the Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C., held Aug. 5, writes Mr. R. W. Pearson, Treas., our secretary resigned owing to pressure of business, and J. Head was appointed. All business in connection with the society in future must be addressed to J. Head, 12, Mill St., Maryport.

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Stoppage of "Bird Life."

Mrs. Comyns-Lewer's Gallant Struggle Ended by the War.

AFTER a nearly nine years' battle for success with "Canary and Cage Bird Life," Mrs. Comyns-Lewer has found the difficulties confronting her in connection with the war so serious as to cause her to stop its publication. Last week's number contained a "Farewell" notice of so interesting a character that we reprint the following extracts from it:—

With this issue "Bird Life" ceases. "The least said the soonest mended," and consequently we shall not waste much time or space in stating a very obvious fact. The conclusion has been very much precipitated by the War, in which all Europe is now involved. Already the difficulties of getting suitable paper for printing and despatching copies when printed are assailing all newspaper proprietors, and as it is very important that "The Feathered World" should not suffer in any way, we have decided definitely to stop publishing "Bird Life."

We at all events retire from the field knowing that we have done our utmost for the fancy, and that it is the fancy that has failed us. Perhaps some day they may recall our words and regret the poor support they have given us.

To those who—unfortunately in the minority have done all they could to help the paper we return our most heartfelt thanks.

We have made arrangements to have queries on cage-birds answered in "The Feathered World," but unfortunately the pressure on our space there is so great that we cannot do more; but at all times Mr. Robson will be glad to give advice and help in any way he can.

Nothing now remains but to again say

FAREWELL!

We cannot let this occasion pass without putting on record our sincere regrets at Mrs. Lewer's non-success. We say this without humbug or cant. Her methods in competing with CAGE BIRDS have always been straightforward and stimulating, and we feel that in her very failure there is a note of dignity that is characteristic of the woman and her work. Few other persons in the publishing business would for so long a period have faced such disappointing results week after week, year after year. Her determination was never for an instant weakened by set-backs that would have made others of the opposite sex abandon the attempt long ago. And it is only now when faced by overwhelming and insuperable odds entirely outside anyone's ability to cope with that she is forced to abandon her attempt. Such an adversary as this is worth meeting, and we could have wished her a better reward.

Mrs. Lewer in the past has had some hard things to say about CAGE BIRDS and its founder, and no doubt CAGE BIRDS and its founder have in the course of conflict had some hard things to say of Mrs. Lewer and "Bird Life." But this is not the moment for raking up old sores. Rather would we shake hands and let by-gones be by-gones. In no spirit of patronage, but that of honest admiration, we applaud unstintingly the woman who has done as much for the bird fancy as anyone living, and who has, nonetheless certain human weaknesses, no superior amongst us for honesty of purpose, highness of aim, and inflexibility of spirit.

In the present state of the country all petty trade rivalries and competitions sink into oblivion. Mrs. Lewer has given her only son for the service of his country, and one of her daughters, too, has taken a post of danger. The whole cage bird world will join with us in wishing them both God speed on their missions of defence and mercy and a speedy and safe return to their mother's arms.

A Confiding Kingfisher.

The following incident was told me by Mr. Aldridge, of Hadleigh, Suffolk:—On August 5 he was fishing with a friend in the river Brett below Layman Mill. He had just caught an eel, which was trying to unhook, when his friend called to him: "Look here!" As the eel took up all his attention he did not look up till his friend called to him again a moment or two later. Then he looked and saw a Kingfisher perched on the second joint of his friend's rod, which he was holding in his hand. The bird stayed there for a minute or so and then flew off.—T. H. Dipnall in "Country Life."

Bird Protection in New Zealand.

It is interesting to hear of the formation in New Zealand of an organisation entitled the Forest and Bird Protection Society, with headquarters at Wellington. The objects are (a) the conservation of wild nature by inculcating among the public, especially the children, an interest in the native flora and fauna, and the protection and preservation thereof; (b) the conservation of any forest growing on roadsides, on the banks of rivers, and on other public lands, and the protection of the same as far as possible; (c) the setting aside as public reserves any privately owned forest lands which are in danger of being destroyed; (d) assisting any movement taken for the purpose of protecting any area of land covered with forest; (e) assisting any movement for the protection of any native birds or animals.

A Young Bird's Triumphs.

Permit me to thank you for your courtesy in illustrating my young ticked yellow Yorkshire. Since winning at Penge under Mr. Norman the same bird secured 1st and sp. at Dulwich and Peckham, Mr. Robson judging, and 1st and silver medal at the L. and P.O.S. show, Mr. Gardner, placing the awards.—J. S. Fairman (London, S.E.).

Shooting Outgoing Pigeons.

A City man advises farmers and others in the Eastern Counties to shoot outgoing pigeons, which, he considers, are now the only means of communication between England and Germany. It is well known that in the German secret service Carrier Pigeons are used, and it will be remembered that last week a German trawler, seized by a British warship off the Orkneys, had Carrier Pigeons on board.—"The Standard."

The Green C.A. Campaign.

Our next meeting is Aug. 25, at Oldham Hill, Renshow St., Liverpool, writes Mr. F. Handley, the sec., 23, Coventry Road, Wavertree, Liverpool. It is specially for allotting patronage in novice section. Will novices please note. We have several applications already. Any further applications should be in before the above date for either champion or novice sections. We have many specials to allot in both. Green Canary fanciers please rally round; the show season is close at hand. Any information as to membership, etc., can be had from me.

A Curious Coincidence.

On May 22, 1911, I marked with rings two adult Razorbills on the Island of Rosevere, Isles of Scilly, writes "H.W.R." in a contemporary, those two being the only ones I succeeded in capturing. One of the rings bore the number 31,310. On May 19 last I visited the island for the second time, and although assisted by two boatmen could only capture one adult Razorbill, owing to the depth of the rock holes. This bird was under the same rock as was the one I marked there three years before; not only this, it was the identical bird, for it bore upon its leg the ring numbered 31,310. The central 3 was worn away, and the ring was almost off. For the bird had got the overlap undone, and it came off the leg quite easily, so easily that it is a wonder the bird had not got it off itself. It is indeed curious that of the hundreds, if not thousands, of Razorbills nesting on this island the only one to be captured should be one of the two I marked there three years all but three days before! I replaced the ring with one numbered 32,840.

Users of colour-foods, writes Mr. J. W. Ramsden (11, Josephine Avenue, Brixton, S.W.) had better at once secure the stock they will require to last through the season, as owing to the present state of affairs it seems that it will not be possible for me to obtain more from the growers, and my own stock, thanks to the excellent demand there has been for my peppers, is already getting very low.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Harry Allen, Leeds.

We regret to hear from Mr. Fred Allen, of Leeds, of the death of his father, Mr. Harry Allen, who died on Sunday last, after only three days' illness. Mr. H. Allen has long been known as an expert in all matters appertaining to Linnets, especially in respect of singing contests. When he was taking an active part in these contests his Linnets were famous throughout the Leeds district, but latterly he had practically confined his energies to dealing, and had acquired a good reputation among owners of all kinds of British and foreign birds and Canaries.

Mr. W. J. Veasey, Rugby.

It is with deepest sympathy, writes Mr. C. H. Webb, that I have to announce the death of Mr. W. J. Veasey, the late sec. of the Rugby C.B.A., who passed away on Aug. 5 after a prolonged illness. His death has cast a gloom over the whole district. Mr. Veasey was a very valuable and energetic member of the Rugby C.B.A. The association has not only been indebted to him for his services as secretary, but also for his ready and experienced help so ungrudgingly given in the Fancy; he was always willing to assist a novice. I know I am voicing the sentiments of all fanciers in tendering to his sorrowing widow our heartfelt sympathy in her sad bereavement. Mr. Veasey was interred at New Bilton Aug. 8. A floral tribute was sent by the members of the society, and the society was represented by Mr. P. G. Salter and myself to pay the last respect to one we can ill afford to lose.

A Deal in Rollers.

It may interest you, writes Mrs. Nellie Tyson, to know I have purchased the whole stock of Hartz Roller Canaries lately owned by Mrs. Taylor (Wimbleton) taking over the house and all the aviaries. This, with my own stock of over 200, I think will be the largest stock of English bred Rollers in anyone's hands in England.

The Avicultural Magazine, the journal of the Avicultural Society, for August, opens with an article on Flamingos by the Editor, Mr. H. D. Astley, who also concludes "My Birds at Brinsop Court." The first portion of the Flamingo article mainly consists of an extract from Sir H. Johnston's book on the Uganda Protectorate treating on the Flamingos, estimated at a million, which find their home on Lake Hannington; this is illustrated with a beautiful coloured frontispiece, and two fine photographs. In the latter part Mr. Astley writes of his own Flamingos at Brinsop Court. Dr. Butler continues his "Thirty-two years of Aviculture," the Marquis of Tavistock "Some Hints on Parrot Keeping," and Dr. Hopkinson "English Names for the Parrots." Other articles are "Notes on My Birds" by Miss Peddie Waddell, "Gannets in Confinement" Mr. J. H. Gurney, and "Notes on Wading Birds" Mr. H. L. Sich.

Birds as Prisoners of War.

Describing the scenes witnessed on the arrival of refugees in Liège, a correspondent of "The Daily Telegraph" says: "A stout gentleman, with a pointed grey beard, was inconsolable because his 'collection of little birds' had been left behind at the mercy of the Germans."

Border Fancy Canary Club.

As the time is now wearing round towards the show season, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, Hon. Sec., 13, High St., Loanhead, will all intending members please let me have their names and full postal address by the 26th inst., as the list must be in publisher's hands by the end of the month at the latest.

Searchlights and Migratory Birds.

What will be the effect upon migratory birds of the searchlights from the war vessels now guarding our coasts? Possibly when the war is ended we shall learn from naval officers of puzzled birds wheeling round the watchful ships, dashing wildly after the dazzling beams. Strong white lights from light-houses and lightships lure many birds to destruction; will these powerful flashing lights confuse them even more? There is little chance of systematic observation by those whose attention is riveted on such grave issues, but trivial incidents often make an impression on the mind of those who are most anxious or absorbed. During the Boer War one gallant officer, now, unfortunately, no more, made many useful notes on the South African fauna, says the "Manchester Guardian." The naturalist, even in the presence of death, cannot entirely forget his interests.

Young Canaries: Their Sexing, Moulting, Colour Feeding and Training.

By A. THOMAS (Frimley).

I THINK I had been breeding Canaries two or three seasons before I could select the young cocks with any certainty and even now I have to admit making a mistake occasionally. Last year out of sixty-five birds bred I judged two wrongly; and strange to say, they were both cocks that I had sold as hens. Of course my customer was very pleased and I have since heard both birds (now on full song) singing his house down.

Picking Out the Young Cocks.

Generally speaking the cocks have bolder eyes, deeper colouring on top of the head, saddle and wing butts; also a kind of "eyebrow" of richer feathers is to be seen in the cock birds. If the young birds are examined whilst young in the nest, before the feathers grow, you can take it for granted that the birds with the largest "ear-holes" are cocks.

If you watch closely you will see the cocks trying to sing when a few weeks old, and if you see the throat swelling out and pulsating it is another good sign. Some, of course, will not attempt to sing until after the moult, so don't be in too big a hurry to say "That bird is a hen." The cocks are also usually the biggest, boldest, most dominant and pushful birds, but the subtle distinctions are very hard for a novice to recognise. There is a plate in "Our Canaries" (that grand book obtainable from CAGE BIRDS offices) which shows you how to sex Canaries; you should get it and study it, also the other valuable information in this volume.

Do not allow your hens to have more than three nests in a season, unless you want to lose some of your hens in the moult. I like my hens to be finished by the end of July, so that they will be strong when the moult commences and during its progress.

When Ignorance is Folly.

The moult is the time when many Canaries are found to go wrong generally either through ignorance in feeding or taking insufficient care to guard the birds from draughts and fluctuations of temperature. Birds when moulting may be compared to a man standing at his garden gate on a cold night in his shirtsleeves. They have only part of their feathers on and for this reason must be allowed plenty of exercise, either in large cages or, better still, be turned loose in a spare room or an aviary.

When the nights are long I keep a light burning in my birdroom until about eight o'clock so that the birds can see to feed and drink. I again turn the light on by seven in the morning, if it is not already light. I consider that in mid-winter, for instance, when it is dark by 4.30 p.m. and remains dark till about 7.50 a.m. the birds are kept too long without food (15 hours).

The food should be more nourishing, too, during the moult and winter than at any other time of the year. I look round to see which birds are suitable for colour-feeding. Those with feather of a nice soft silky texture show its effects best. I place the cocks in a large flight and the hens in another. If I see one of the cocks getting too disagreeable I cage him alone. Those birds that are not being colour-fed I place in the largest cages I have.

They all get the same staple diet, viz., best Spanish canary seed, with every other day a teaspoonful per bird of summer rape, and twice a week a teaspoonful of a mixture of two parts each hemp and niga, one part each black rape, linseed and millet, half part maw. Twice a week I give a little egg and bread (or biscuit) sprinkled with maw seed and a pinch of Demerara sugar. Once a week I give a little castor oil in their egg-food, and occasionally I give the birds milk sop instead of the egg-food.

Colour-feeding and Its Effects.

I have often been asked if I thought that colour-feeding was injurious to the birds. My reply is, emphatically, No. I have colour-fed a bird at ten years old and he was as lively as a cricket all through, taking the colour well. It is seldom I have to record a death in my birdroom and I know I have not had more

colour-fed birds die than "natural" fed ones.

Here is my method: I make my egg-food in the ordinary way of one egg, one slice of bread half-inch thick (or the equivalent in biscuits), and about four teaspoonfuls of pepper. The latter is mixed in well. It consists of one part hot Natal to eight parts of tasteless (or "cold") pepper. I remove the seed twice daily for an hour to ensure them eating it all up.

I put no bird in the colour-feeding cages until I see signs of approaching moult. This can usually be told by the bird appearing listless and drowsy; sometimes it will have its head under its wing in the daytime. Plenty of loose feathers will be seen in the bottom of the cage when the moult proper starts. I continue with the same strength colour-food from start to finish.

If "Stuck" in the Moult.

Should I find a bird stuck in the moult I remove it from the position it is then in and either put it higher or lower or to some other side of the room. This generally starts him off again. The colour-fed birds also get milk sop once a week and this is sprinkled with maw seed, when the birds eat it more readily. A little sulphate of iron (about the size of a pea) should be given in the drinking water. It is a good tonic and fixes the colour.

A piece of beef suet will help to tighten up the plumage and a little boiled carrot is much enjoyed. For "green-food" I give a little sweet apple or banana. I always gather a lot of ripe plantain stalks during the season and I find they all like them. These little "tit-bits" will be well repaid in the breeding season by the extra good condition of your pets, for a bird out of condition is no use to anybody.

Don't forget the bath on all suitable days. It produces that beautiful sheen we all so much admire. Give cold water; it is better for them. I always draw the blind in my birdroom during the moult, but leave the room so that the birds are able to see and feed. A yellow blind is the best.

Training for the Show Bench.

Having got the best birds sorted out and caged separately, we should proceed to hang a show cage on the front of the stock cage, so as to get the bird used to it. This can be done by a few small hooks made from ordinary cage wire. Try to get the bird to run from one cage to the other without handling, using, if necessary a small stick inserted through the wires of the cage. Most birds if you place a little egg-food in the show cage, will run into it as soon as they see it hung on the stock cage, expecting, of course, to get a "tit-bit."

It is quite impossible for anybody to judge a bird that seems to try to kill itself by dashing against the wires of the cage immediately the judge approaches it; hence you must get it steady. There is only one way of doing this. You must gain the bird's confidence by talking to it, and every time it sees you your hand should contain something the bird is very fond of. Talk to the bird each time you offer it this "tit-bit" and you will be surprised at the difference in a few days time. The bird will be glad to see you coming.

You must be very careful to keep the birds clean. Offer a bath every day, so that they may go to at least two shows before having to be washed. At the same time, do not send a dirty bird; you will be wasting your entry fee, carriage, and everything else.

If your bird gets a bit down in condition during the show season give him every other day a teaspoonful of the following: Linseed, niger, gold of pleasure, and maw seed mixed in equal parts. On the days you are not offering this seed mixture give a little milk sop.

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HOW TO CHEAPEN THE FOOD BILL.

Hints that may be useful to Bird-keepers during the present War crisis!

By G. E. WESTON.

I HAVE met many fanciers recently ("birds of a feather"; you know the rest), and for once in a way our conversation has not been entirely monopolised by tales of our birds. We have talked mainly—need I say it?—about the War. It is a truly terrible business, and none can tell when or in what it will end.

But we can all strive to be optimistic—thank goodness I was born that way!—indeed, it is our bounden duty to ourselves and to our neighbours to look in the present crisis upon the bright side of things. Commend me to the British race to pull through in double quick time when "up against it." And the Cage Bird Fancy and its followers will sure enough pull through too.

I hope that the officials and members of societies which hold open shows will not get into a "panicky" condition, and see a need for cancelling their fixtures when no such need in reality exists. Railway traffic was bound to suffer disorganisation under the stress of moving troops and war stores. But this will quickly settle down. It will not be long before life in this country resumes its normal course. And it will not be long either—please God—before the triumph of our allied forces comes to pass.

Let us "Keep Cool."

Show officials should not be hasty to act. Let us "keep cool." Let us also remember that CAGE BIRDS stands ready to assist us in every possible way to hold our shows if there is the least glimmer of hope that the fixtures can be successfully gone through with.

I am wandering from my subject, however. This was suggested to me by the remarks of my fancier friends. While they, one and all, were confident as to the Fancy emerging as strong as ever from the present upset, almost without exception they said: "What a pity the price of seed, and especially canary seed, should have been so high, and is now certain to go up still higher!"

Economy, of course, should be the ruling note at this juncture in all our domestic affairs. And so it occurred to me that a few notes on how bird-lovers can economise in the up-keep of their pets might not come amiss. I may have no important message to convey to the "old hands" (I am fast getting an "old" hand myself) but to others I hope to be able to point out one or two ways in which they can bring down the food bill of their pets, and without, I promise them, any sacrifice of health or condition in the birds.

An item which at the present moment affects many of us is that of colour-feeding. At the best of times one hears it condemned as being "unnecessary and costly." With the first count in this indictment I have no

concern. I do not "set the fashion." As regards the question of cost, however, I think much can be said on the other side.

Even those birds which have the misfortune to be born into the world worthy of no better description than "songsters" can be enhanced in value by being colour-fed, and enhanced to a degree which leaves a fair margin of profit when the cost of the pepper and the trouble of administering it have been taken into consideration. Ask any dealer which "songsters" take the customer's eye—the non-fed or the colour-fed. Both dealer and customer will always pay more for the latter. But all this is by-the-way.

When Eggs Spell Money!

One of my friends told me that he was half-a-mind to give up colour-feeding this season: "Look at the price of reliable eggs," he said, "and I've got so many birds, too."

"Well, why use eggs?" I asked him. He looked surprised and replied: "Don't you?"

I told him that I had not used eggs (meaning new-laid, hard-boiled eggs) over a period of several years, either for colour-feeding or for rearing my Canaries and Mules and Hybrids. And neither is it necessary so to do. The making of colour-food fresh every day with hard-boiled eggs is just one of many processes, hallowed by tradition, from which fanciers seem afraid to depart, notwithstanding the trouble and expense involved.

One of the most successful breeders and exhibitors of Norwich Plainheads of my acquaintance uses simply moistened bread as the vehicle to convey the colour into his birds. His birds are excelled by none in depth of colour, or in the sheen they carry on their plumage. Of course, he also breeds for colour, and he is careful to get a reliable colour-food—points, these, of vastly greater importance than many seem to realise.

Now there can be no cheaper, and few easier, methods than the above; and seeing that it is so successful in his case, there can be no reason why others should not adopt it with satisfaction.

He cuts the necessary quantity of bread from a good-quality white loaf, three or more days' old. He sweetens with common brown sugar (known, I believe, as "moist" sugar; demerara, of course, could not be beaten), sufficient comfortably-warm water to well soak the bread. The soaked and sweetened bread he places in a clean towel and squeezes as dry as possible. He then mixes in the colour-food and proceeds to feed his birds. They eat it as readily as my two "young hopefuls" devour "creamy" toffee!

To be continued.

Correspondence.

The Gathering of Thistle Seed.

Sir,—As there are thistles in great quantity about here, I should like to learn from some of your readers the best way to take the seed out. Is it possible to get a small machine to do it?

T. WELLS.

Preparing Linnets for Contest Singing.

Sir,—If Mr. J. Houghton will let you publish his address, or will send same direct to me, I will forward him a seed mixture which is supposed to bring Linnets forward for contest singing. I may say I have not tried it myself, as I have not kept Linnets for singing, only keeping Canaries, so I do not care to publish the recipe in "C.B." owing to not having given it a trial myself. My address is with the Editor.

A. W. H.

Can a Clear Mule be Bred from a Hen Goldfinch and Cock Canary?

Sir,—During my experience in breeding mules and Hybrids I have three or four times tried the cross of yellow cock Canary and hen Goldfinch. I have got Mules from this crossing, but never one good enough to make a show bird, nearly all of them have been very ordinary dark ones. This might have happened because I used only ordinary yellow cocks. Had I used a strain which had been bred for a few years the results might have been different. This is my view of my own success; perhaps some of your readers may have had different results, if so I should very much like to have their views of this important subject. The season will soon be over, so some will be able to chronicle their experience. Perhaps some of your Scotch readers might have been successful. My opinion is that even if you did get a clear Mule, it would not be so large as one bred in the usual way; i.e., Goldfinch-Canary, not Canary-Goldfinch.

GOLDIE.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

Sir,—I crave a small space against the unmanly attack on the officials of the Abertillery C.B.S. I think it would have been more to your correspondents' honour if they had heard both sides first, but they formed their ideas on Mr. Moule's statements, which our worthy secretary refuted last week. I have tried the whole of this year to find out what Mr. Moule is dissatisfied about, and I must admit that in the meetings and when talking to Mr. Moule when it comes to facts I have failed to find any grounds for his conduct. He has had just the same fair play in the meetings as everyone else, but he is always thinking there is a certain number always against him. The officials of the Society understand their work better than those who are writing against them. When you have men coming about six miles to a meeting and then finding one member upsetting everything, well, what were our officers to do? There seems only one thing, and that is to make Mr. Moule secretary, and that will put things right.

JUSTICE.

Sir,—In reply to the defender of the Abertillery C.B.S., I beg to make an apology for the little error when I stated the numbers at the meeting mentioned. I may say that I had these numbers given me by a member who attended both, so the error was not on my part. He remarks that I was not thrown out in five minutes; that it took three months. On this point I consider he has given the secret away, and brings my remark true about there being a clique. One word about the deputation that was picked to see me about upsetting their meetings. What a shame! They came to ask me to resign, or not disturb the meetings, because I told them to their faces that there was a clique in the meetings. They chose three to see me, the defender being one; but he did not have enough courage to come. His remark that the meetings I attended were not ruled as they ought to be, does not speak well of the chair, does it? He does not speak correctly when he states that I ridiculed the Chairman and that I interrupted the speakers. If this is the other side of the affair, so much for it, as "Well Wisher's" statement that I like to probe things to the bottom is quite right. The defender says that I upset their meeting; from beginning to end. Let us have the truth. What I had to say I generally left to the last, and what I did say upset a few. As "Well Wisher" says, let us have business above board and things would be much better. This is the root of all the trouble. I myself do not make the disturbance at the meetings, but those who are against me. "Well Wisher" states that I am not the only one that has had the "push" from the A.C.B.S. That is quite right; there are

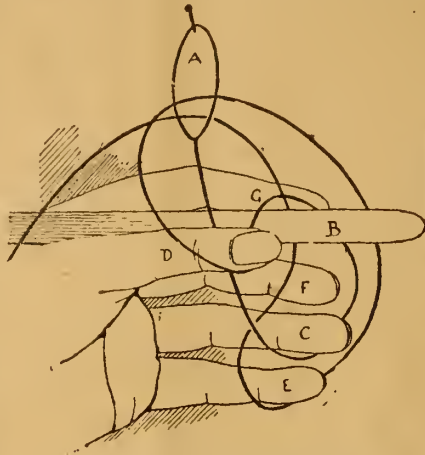
some I know who have left because there was not any fair play. About my expulsion: There is no rule to justify it. There is a rule that says that if a member is accused of slandering another outside the meetings, if he cannot prove to the contrary he shall be expelled. Now what I have said has been said at the meetings. What more can I do than say it to their faces?

A. E. MOULE.

[One or two sentences have had to be deleted.—Editor.]

Net Making Made Easy.

Sir,—Now the catching season will soon be here, and at various time readers are asking how to make bird nets, I will try to explain how the knot is tied. First, get a piece of string about 2ft. long, and tie the ends together, so as to make a loop marked A, then hang it on a hook or tie it round the back of a chair so that you can reach it comfortably sitting down. Then fasten a thread to loop A, place your mesh B straight along, bring thread over the top of mesh and round under third finger, marked C, and under mesh B. Place thread under thumb D, then throw thread out so as to make a loop over loop A. Bring it round again under mesh B, and round little finger E. Now pass the needle over the top of second finger F, but under thread, also under mesh, so as to bring it out between mesh and thread G, and through loop A. Having done this you can let thread off third finger C, also under thumb D, but keep the thread tight on little finger



Mr. Bunting's Method of Making Nets.

E; this is the only one you need trouble about, as the knot will not tie until you let it go, so keep your mesh up close to loop A and then pull thread, and let it slip off little finger, and pull it up tight; you will find you have tied the knot in loop A. Continue doing this until you have put on as many stitches as you require, and then slip out mesh, and you will find all loops along on loop A which you will be able to slide along. Now start again and pick up the first loop and continue all the way along, and when you have got to the end slip out mesh again. You will find it rather awkward at first, but with a little practice you will be able to knit it like a woman knitting a sock. I have made a rough sketch; where the lines are not joined together shows where they should go under, not over. I hope readers will be able to follow it, and I wish CAGE BIRDS success.

W. BUNTING.

Undaunted Enthusiasm at Sheffield.

Sir,—In the interests of the Fancy and exhibitors at large, I should like to mention the success of the Sheffield Ornithological Society in connection with specialist club patronages, every one applied for having been granted, as follows:—Cinnamon Marked Yorks. C.C., Yorkshire C.C., National Green-marked Yorks. C.C., Norwich P.C., Open Norwich P.C. (the Club Show), Border Fancy C.C., Lancashire and Liz. F.A., Yorks and Lancs. British Bird and M.C., National Brit. Bird and M.C., Foreign B.C., Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League (with guarantee of special class for Green Budgerigars). We are only waiting now for the members of the above clubs and exhibitors generally to give us a bumping entry, and we shall do the rest. Full prize-money paid in every class, and specials for all sections.

JOHN A. T. WOODALL, Press Corresp.

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Another Wonderful Case of a Bird's Return Home.

A Linnet Roams the Fields and Woods during the Daytime, and at Night goes into its Cage.

Sir,—The following was written last week by "A. N. S." to "The Scotsman." It shows very plainly what wild birds think of their cruel captors and their prisons! "Our household pets include a Goldfinch and a Linnet. These were caught in the country, but both have moulted in the house. The Linnet contracted a disease we could not cure, and, after days of discussion, it was decided to give the bird its liberty. It was our view that, being a wild bird, it might be able to secure some natural remedy for its trouble. Whether we were right in this must be left to surmise, but anyhow, we opened the cage on Sunday last (June 21st) and the Linnet disappeared. This would be about noon. During the afternoon one of our family said he thought he heard the Linnet's voice in the avenue. As we live in the country, little heed was given to the remark, Linnets being seen in our neighbourhood any day in the year.

On Monday and Tuesday more direct evidence was received of the Linnet's presence, and our family as a whole concluded that our house-bird was actually hovering in the vicinity of our doorstep. On five mornings we hang out the Goldfinch's cage. On Wednesday morning the Linnet was on the ridge of our door-porch, calling loudly, while the Goldfinch answered back in his own language. Strange to say, there is a distinct resemblance between these two birds' call-notes. In a

wild state this is not so; but perhaps the birds having been so long together the one had come to imitate the notes of its mate. After an hour or so the Linnet disappeared, and was not again observed until well on in the afternoon. It had taken up a commanding position on a stone wall skirting the public road. A great deal of motor and other traffic passed within a few yards of its site, but it was quite unconcerned. Later in the day it roamed the woods round about the house, but by six o'clock we could hear it whistling in a birch tree within a dozen yards of our door.

We decided to hang up the empty cage by the doorway, and we did this about seven o'clock, at the same time taking the Goldfinch indoors for the day. We were surprised to see the Linnet settle on a small climbing plant near the cage, and by a series of short flights at last enter the cage, and immediately begin to feed. We had omitted to put water inside, so one of the family approached and replenished the dish. The Linnet kept to its perch meanwhile quite unconcerned. It was decided to leave the door of the cage open. After remaining for about half-an-hour, the bird once more flew away. An hour later it reappeared, evidently intending to take up its quarters in the cage for the night. Once more, however, we missed it, and for the rest of the evening it was not seen. Before breakfast time on Thursday it was again in the vicinity of the cage, and as I write it seems quite evident that this bird, although wild by nature, intends to make its old cage its roosting and feeding resort, although allowed to fly outside at its own sweet will.

A. McWATT.

HOW DID BIRDS ORIGINATE?

No Evidence of Definite Nature.

Sir,—I am pleased to see Mr. J. I. Hargreaves does not believe in evolution, and I am glad to see he has quoted the highest authority on the subject. There are different interpretations of the Bible account of the Creation, but I have no hesitation in saying that Mr. Hargreaves' interpretation is the correct one. I have discussed this subject before. My main opponents were Dr. Butler and Mr. Allen Silver, but I have proved over and over again that I am streets ahead of them as a reliable ornithologist. I maintain that species are special creations. Our present knowledge of birds is that every species produces its own kind (it has never been proved otherwise) when paired to its own kind. If all the birds on the face of the earth evolved from one pair their song and nests would all be practically the same, but that is not the case. The late Mr. Wallace, who was a strong evolutionist, maintained that birds build their nests by imitation, which goes dead against his own theory. How on earth could birds build their first nests by imitation when there were no nests to imitate? Birds build their nests instinctively, which goes dead against the evolution theory. I don't know how evolutionists get over these difficulties. Although Mr. K. Wells has proved that a reptilian-like bird existed at some remote period, there is no evidence of a definite nature to prove that birds evolved from reptiles.

Beith

JOHN CRAIG.

The Evolution Theory Upheld.

Sir,—As an evolutionist I have been greatly interested in the above discussion. A bird could not be produced from a reptile directly, but I quite expected to see some of the intermediate forms of bird, animal and reptile life instanced. Take the common Bat; it has a mouth, not a beak, and is absolutely featherless, its outer covering, especially the wings, resembling the web of a frog's foot. The Owl, too, can hardly be called a true bird. There are numerous kinds of birds which cannot fly, although possessing wings. There are some very much like a duck with very small wings and a covering of fur. There are evidences which go to show that all had a common origin. Some of your correspondents poke fun at the idea, which surely is not harder to believe than that all humanity descended from two originally created parents. I grant that there are still some who believe the latter even in these enlightened days, but certainly none of our university professors or highly educated men generally.

If Mr. J. C. Wilmot had only a rudimentary knowledge of anatomy and evolution he would not ask what has become of "tails." He would know that none of the anthropoid apes (which are merely big monkeys) has a tail, while in all humans the spinal column finishes with a point like a tail, which is turned inwards, and in many cases the muscles for moving a tail are present, but for lack of use have become rudimentary. The evolutionist does not compare a monkey with the highest form of man, a being whose mysterious and innate desire for self-improvement has been working slowly but surely for count-

less ages by the refining influences of spiritual culture. No, he compares the highest form of ape with the lowest forms of humanity. Will Mr. J. C. Wilmot tell me whether the Aborigines of Australia were humans or not, and, if not, what were they? They wore no dress, had no language, were incapable of lighting a fire, and were not equal to some apes intellectually or in many other ways. The Tasmanians, considered to be the lowest form of humanity ever known, are now extinct, "crowded out" by higher forms of life.

W. WATSON.

Up Against the Scientists.

Sir,—Mr. Wells' imaginative conjecture is that we are all descended from minute jelly-like creatures—how credulous some people are! Mr. Wells seems to write as if he were certain that no animal but birds has feathers for a covering. Has he ever examined some of the larger moths? Some of them are covered by feathers which can be seen by the naked eye; and as I have never seen it stated that they are in anyway connected with birds, I don't see why the "archæopteryx" should necessarily be the missing link between birds and reptiles because there was an imprint of feathers in the fossilised mud.

Mr. Savage is evidently one of those people who think that the man in the street is incapable of thinking for himself, and mentally grasping the nature of the theories propounded by scientists; and regards their unbelieving interference as an intrusion. He might just as well dis-burden his mind of the thought, because there are many men who haven't had scientific training who are capable of asking themselves questions about the different theories; while he convicts himself of allowing others to think for him when he says that he will be ready to accept the British Association's dictum on evolution. He unwittingly and unconsciously knocks a tack in the coffin of the evolution theory when he says that "if a man had been intended for an upright pose there would have been bones or some protection round his abdomen." When we consider the thousands of years that man has inhabited this earth in an upright position, isn't it an argument against evolution when the Creator—or whatever is supposed to cause evolution—has not seen fit to provide the human frame with this protection, seeing that Mr. Savage says we should be able to digest better? Not that we have anything to complain about in the way of digestive organs. I think the human animal manages to live as long as most, and rather longer than some, which doesn't speak badly for our anatomical construction. I had wished to make a few more observations on the subject, but seeing that so many correspondents have interested themselves in the controversy, and they all want space, I will leave them for a later date.

T. JOHNSON.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.



This very clever fancy costume (contrived from "Cage Birds" coloured plates) won second prize in a Carnival against close on 100 competitors. The top of the umbrella was also decorated with bird pictures. See letter on this page.

A Successful Fancy Dress.

SIR,—Enclosed please find photos of my daughter, 10 years old, who won a second prize at the Nailsworth horse show and sports, in the fancy dress carnival. She was dressed in a home-made costume, to represent the CAGE BIRDS. The entries altogether for the carnival numbered about a hundred. We took the idea from seeing a picture in your paper. The dress was made from the cut-out pictures from your coloured plates, and looked grand in the sun. The hair was dressed to represent a nest with eggs in it (note back view).
C. J. DAUNCEY.

Good Results from Use of Egg and Bread Substitute.

SIR,—Seeing that Mr. Chiswell was asking for any results of the use of his egg food, the recipe for which he gave through CAGE BIRDS in February, perhaps he would like to know that I have had very good results. My hens have fed better with this food than with the ordinary egg and biscuit. One hen which refused to feed last year has this year been one of the best of mothers, and I say it is the use of Mr. Chiswell's food that has made her feed. After having given this food a trial, I told a friend of mine, who was having bad results through his hens not feeding, to try it, and I am pleased to say his hens have fed very well indeed. I also told two other fanciers, but am not able to say how they have got on with it, as I have not since seen them to ask for results.
A. W. HOWARTH.

[The recipe was as follows:—Take 1lb. of the finest ground whole wheat-meal. Make a stiff dough of it with as many fresh eggs as the meal will absorb. Bake it for three hours. Grate it and dry it in an oven; or cut it in slices and grind it in a machine or with a rolling pin. This dry egg-food keeps for years and is always ready for use. Of this egg-food you may give half-a-teaspoonful every day, after having been moistened with a little water. In this egg-food (or egg-bread) are from six to eight eggs per lb. of whole-meal, according to size of eggs. No water or any other fluid is used when making the dough. This egg-food you may make in the spring when eggs are cheap and fresh. I have used it for many years.—THOS. CHISWELL.]

Fertile "Peas."

A Novelty (nearly) in Hybrid Breeding.

SIR,—A novelty has occurred this year which might interest your numerous readers, for I very much question anyone having had the same experience. I have had a cock Canary up with a hen Goldfinch, which laid normal eggs last year, when not put up with any other bird; no doubt had she been paired up with a cock of her own species she would have raised some young in a cage. The hen was lent me this year for me to try and breed from her. The cock Canary paired well with her, and she built several nests in different parts of the cage bottom, and at last she laid in one of the old-fashioned wooden nest boxes. Now the strangest part is she laid three eggs which were the smallest I have ever seen; no larger than small peas. At first I thought it would be useless letting her sit upon them, as the eggs would be clear, but as I always like to try experiments I let her sit upon them the full time. As they did not hatch out I broke them and found that each one was fertile, but the embryos had died at about ten days. Perhaps some of your readers may account for

this strange freak, if so I should very much like their ideas. Since then she has laid again and the eggs were the normal size for a Goldfinch. She was caught as a young bird just left the nest two years ago; she is a fair size for a hen Goldfinch. There is nothing that I can think of to account for her laying such small eggs, and the eggs being fertile as well. One would expect them to be clear. When I have previously had small eggs laid by any birds, Canaries or Finches, I have always sat them to test them, but have found them clear; such experiments as these I always like to try. If I could have raised them I expect they would have turned out midgets and worthless, but I should certainly have liked to see the results from such freak eggs.
ANON.

How Is This From One Hen Canary?

SIR,—I have one pair of Canaries which have hatched and reared 19 young from four nests (three fives and a four), all of which are doing well. I may say the first nest hatched out on March 6, and the fourth on July 10. I have now the same hen sitting again on five eggs. So I think this will take a lot of beating from one pair. I have gathered most of my knowledge from your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, and wish it every success.
Wrexham. EDWIN JONES.

Cuckoo's Eggs in Finch Nests.

Softbills Found to be Favoured.

SIR,—As one who has lived in the country most of my life, and always been fond of nesting and watching the ways and habits of wild birds—particularly so in the nesting season, I can say that during my experience I have only once found a Cuckoo's egg in a Finch nest. That Finch was a Chaffinch; but whether the Chaffinch ever raised that Cuckoo I am not able to say. All the Cuckoo's eggs which I have found have been deposited in Soft-billed birds' nests, that is if you take the Buntings as Softbills, which you might do so to a certain extent. I should not like to say that the Bullfinch would not raise a young cuckoo. In my time I have raised many a young cuckoo and nothing seemed to come amiss to it as regards food; it would eat nearly everything, and was always crying for more. Long after they could feed themselves they wanted me to feed them. Only once have I found a nest with two Cuckoo's eggs in it, and that was a Robin's nest, but only one Cuckoo lived, the other was thrown out of the nest when young.
NIMROD.

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Secretary of the Southern Border F.C. Leaves for the Front

SIR,—I shall be glad if you will allow me a little space to explain to members of the Southern Border Fancy Club who have written me and have not received a reply, that it is not for want of courtesy on the part of the secretary. During the terrible crisis this country is passing through my patriotism compelled me to offer my services to King and country, and without the slightest warning my regiment has been ordered away to an unknown destination. I regret it was impossible to notify any of the officials or committee of the club, and the suddenness of the need must be the excuse for any seeming lack of courtesy on my part. I hope it will not be long before I am again among fancier friends. Meanwhile any correspondence addressed to me at 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, will be attended to, and I will straighten up arrears as soon as possible. I intend at an early date to call a committee meeting to appoint a secretary pro tem., and any further business can then be discussed. I hope all members have had a good season, and that, in spite of all, there will be shows held as usual, where we shall once again be able to test the merits of each other's birds.
GEO. BURTON.

The Illness of Mr. J. F. Hills, the Veteran Judge.

SIR,—I am glad to find that our old friend, Mr. J. F. Hills, has been cheered by the letter of sympathy, recently sent him, signed by a number of his old comrades in the Fancy. I hope all the fanciers who put their names to the letter will kindly consider this as an acknowledgment.
G. CRABB.

Dear Mr. Crabb,—I have seen Mr. Hills this morning, and he asked me to write you and express his deep gratitude to yourself and all the kind friends who recently sent him the letter of good wishes; he had hoped to have written you personally, but finds he is unable to do so. This proof of the good feeling of so many old friends came so utterly unexpected that he is unable to adequately express his great appreciation of the kindly thought that has so cheered him. I am glad to say I found him very cheerful and happy to-day.
Long Melford. August 1, 1914.
CHARLES H. ROW.

The Shows.

HAZLEMERE AND TERRIERS (Bucks) C.B.S.

Third annual show held in grounds of Terriers House, by permission of R. C. Priestley, Esq., Aug. 3. OPEN NOR., CL. OR TKD.: 1, 2, 3, res, Bowler. YORKS., CL. OR TKD.: 1, 3, Spring; 2, res, Bond. BRIT.: 1, 2, sp., Bowler, Goldf.; 3, Spring, Hawfinch. MEMBERS' NOR.: 1, 2, vhc, hc, Pennal; 3, Putnam. A.O.V.: 1, Pennal, Bord.; 2, Bond, Bord.; 3, Easten. BRIT.: 1, Bond, Goldf.; 2, Aldington, Goldf.; 3, Morrell, Greenf. Mr. G. H. Billett, Reading, judged, and gave general satisfaction.—J. B. Bond, Hon. Sec.

REDCAR C.B.S.

Second N.F. Show, Crown and Anchor, Redcar, August 1. Mr. Yeates (Stockton) judged, and his awards proved satisfactory. Entries totalled 40. Yorks were a splendid lot, but the Norwich classes had to be cancelled, as our members have done very badly with this variety.

CHAMP. YORKS., CL., ETC. (7): 1, 3, Bray; 2, hc, Harvey; 4, Dixon; vhc, Mallory; c, Metcalf. TKD. or VARIEG. (7): 1, hc, Bray; 2, vhc, Harvey; 3, 4, Metcalf; c, Mallory. NOV. YORKS., CL., ETC. (9): 1, 2, vhc, Curnell; 3, hc, c, Eastgate; 4, Smitheyman. TKD. or VARIEG. (6): 1, 2, Robinson; 3, Elwick; 4, Smitheyman; vhc, Curnell; hc, Clarke. MULE or HYB. (2): 1, Harvey, Greenie Mule; 2, Mallory, Goldie Mule. LINNET (4): 1, 3, Clarke; 2, Mallory; 4, Smitheyman. A.O.V. (5): 1, vhc, Mallory, Chaff. and Goldf.; 2, 3, Bray, Goldf. and Bullf.; 4, Smitheyman, Lesser Redpoll.—C. L. Mallory, Sec.

LAISTERDYKE, BOWLING AND TONG.

First F.F. show, Aug. 8, Railway Hotel, Laisterdyke. Entries were very small, owing perhaps to the short notice, but as members should have schedules for next two shows, entries thereat should be better. I have persuaded Mr. Uttley to act as president of the combination, and if any member has anyone to propose as vice-president I should be glad to communicate with him. Mr. Cowgill judged and gave satisfaction. We would like all who are intending to be members to pay their 6d. to the secretary of their own societies, or to J. E. Hudson, Hon. Sec., 95, Brompton Rd., Bowling, Bradford. CHAMP. CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, 2, Casey; 3, vhc, Riley; 4, Robinson. BUFF:

1, Robinson; 2, vhc, Padgett; 3, Riley; 4, Casey; hc, Gledhill. EVEN, ETC., BUFF: 1, 2, 4, Gledhill; 3, Padgett; vhc, Casey; hc, Robinson. NOV. CL. or TKD. YELL.: 1, 4, Wardman; 2, Russell; 3, hc, Jowett and Robertshaw; vhc, Holt Bros. BUFF: 1, Jowett and Robertshaw; 2, 4, Holt Bros.; 3, hc, c, Naylor; vhc, Russell. EVEN, ETC., YELL.: 1, Russell; 2, Jowett and Robertshaw. BUFF: 1, Jowett and Robertshaw; 2, Wardman; 3, Russell.—J. E. Hudson, Hon. Sec.

TREDEGAR C.B.S.

Second N.F. show of Yorks. the Silver Grill, Aug. 8. Some extra good birds were staged, and competition keen, merit being so high that many of them ought to make a name for their owners at the autumn shows. Mr. B. Taylor judged, and gave every satisfaction.

CHAMP., CL. YELL.: 1, 2, Bevan. MKD.: 1, Watkins; 2, Bevan. CL. BUFF: 1, Griffiths; 2, Watkins; 3, Bevan; 4, Griffiths. MKD.: 1, 3, Watkins; 2, Griffiths; 4, Bevan. NOV., CL. YELL.: 1, Llewellyn; 2, 3, Thomas. MKD.: 2, Llewellyn. CL. BUFF: 1, 2, Llewellyn; 3, Thomas. MKD.: 1, Griffiths; 2, Llewellyn.

RUABON.

42nd annual show Aug. 3, in Wynnstay Park, by kind permission of Sir Watkin W. Wynn, Bart. Entries were higher than last year, and some nice birds were staged. Mr. Richards, sec., had everything well in hand, and was well assisted by a fine band of stewards. The weather was ideal and made the event a complete success. Mr. T. Stretch judged.

HEN CAN. (5): 1, Clarke, Yorks. yell., on point of moult; 2, Williams, yell. Yorks., nice lean body, good form, must have ran 1st closely; 3, Roberts, yell. Yorks. COCK (12): 1, 2, Clarke, Yorks. yell., 1st good lean body, good sound col., carries wings well; 2nd, little thicker set; 3, Roberts. GOLDF. (7): 1, 3, Williams, leader nice blaze, racy in type, nice tanning and buttons; 2, S. Roberts, bright blaze, good front, very steady, little rough in tail. MULE (5): 1, Mason, Dark Goldf., good front, neat square blaze, well shown; 2, S. Roberts, Goldf.; 3, Roberts. A.O. BRIT. (3): 1, 2, Blaze, both Linnets, nut-brown, little to choose; 3, Edwards, Linnet.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Third N.F. show, Aug. 1, headquarters, Mr. Farrer Judge. Mr. Conneron gave a special (seed) for most points, which was won by Mr. Smith.

NOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Rawson. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, 5, Smith; 4, 6, Gray. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Smith. CREST: 1, Smith. LIZ.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Riseborough. BRIT.: 1, Smith. CINN.: 1, 2, Riseborough. Medal for most points over all three N.F. shows was won by Mr. J. Riseborough, but the winner has decided not to take the medal, and the value of same is to be given, at his request, to the Lizard classes at our open show. Total number of points: Riseborough 95, Smith 37, Davison 43, Rawson 35, Proctor 33, Waters 30, Walker 22, Swan 11, Brown 8, Johnson 7, Gray 6, Owen 3. Arrangements have been made with Messrs Keenlside to supply colour food to members at 1s. 4d. per lb. (not less than 1lb.); it can only be obtained by giving name and address at the time of purchase. Prize money for N.F. shows will be paid out at our next meeting.—J. Peacock, Hon. Sec.

DONCASTER C.B.S.

Third annual show, Aug. 3, in conjunction with the Woodlands Horticultural Society, with a very good entry for the time of the year, 97 in 20 classes. Yorks. were well to the front in numbers. Hemsworth fanciers had a regular field day, taking all the firsts and special. In Norwich some excellent birds were staged by Messrs. Twine, Smith, Evans, Graham and Flint, Mr. Twine taking sp. most points, and cup (presented by Mr. F. Barker) for best young bird confined to Woodlands and Doncaster. Special winners, classes 1, to 4, Yorks., Taylor; Nor., Twine; Crest and C.B., Twine; Brit., Blanchon, Pogmore, and Bescoby. Mr. Mundell, Bradford, judged and gave general satisfaction.

YORKS. CK. (6): 1, 3, Taylor; 2, Whittington; vhc, hc, Truman; c, Govier. HEN (4): 1, Kendrick; 2, 3, Truman; vhc, Lumley. YELL. YORKS., 1914 (9): 1, Taylor; 2, Blanchon; 3, Hunt; vhc, Truman; hc, Poppleton; c, Wade. BUFF (16): 1, Hall; 2, Poppleton; 3, Whittington; vhc, Taylor; hc, Wade; c, Hunt. NOR. CK. (10): 1, Simpson; 2, vhc, Smith; 3, Twine; hc, Flint; c, Truman. HEN (5): 1, Graham; 2, 3, Truman; vhc, Twine; hc, Smith. YELL. NOR. 1914 (6): 1, Twine; 2, Kendrick; 3, hc, c, Evans; vhc, Smith. BUFF (6): 1, Twine; 2, Flint; 3, c, Truman; vhc, hc, Evans. CREST or C.B. (2): 1, Twine. D.O., 1914: 1, Twine. MULE or HYB. (2): 1, Blanchon; 2, Cooper. D.O., 1914 (4): 1, Blanchon; 2, vhc, Evans; 3, Cooper.

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HOWDEN-LE-WEAR.

A nice little collection of birds turned up Aug. 8, and quality was good. Nicely staged in the tent devoted to the needle-work and arts section, they were a great attraction. Mr. W. Turnbull made an excellent sec., and the stewards, Messrs. Bateman, Varty, Trotter, Sample, Corner, Foester, Collier, Luck, English, and Sanderson, had all the arrangements well in hand. Mr. C. A. House judged.

NOR. (5): 1, res., vhc, Brownson, grand shaped ch. yell., rare col. and feather, nice style; 2nd withheld; 3, hc, Rutherford, very nice feathered varieg. yell. YORKS (3): 1, 3, Wearmouth, 1st very smart, slim, shapely yell., lovely col., rare style, 3rd longer wing fld. yell., very stylish and close in feather; 2, hc, Brownson, grand shaped 1914 buff, beautifully cut away, looks like making a topper; res., Natras; vhc, c, Forster. A.O.V. (3): 1, 3 withheld; 2, Rutherford, rich coloured, grandly feathered Red wing Parakeet; rs, Wilcock, nice varieg. C.B. LINNET (5): 1, 2, Davidson, rich sound col., grand feather, nicely mkd., 2nd larger and better shape, not so rich in col. or neat in marking; 3, Wilcock, shapely and nice col., not so distinct in marking; res., vhc, Rutherford. A.O. BRIT. (4): 1, 2 withheld; 3, Davidson, grandly marked Hawf.; res, Rutherford; hc, Wilcock.

UPPER RHONDDA C.B.S.

Second F.F. Show July 30, Cardiff Arms Hotel. Mr. Brown, Cardiff, judged, and his awards were received with every satisfaction. Entries did not come up as expected, many members not having birds to show, and others only a few, but what was lost in quantity was gained in quality. The hon. sec., Mr. E. Richards, who was unable to attend through an illness, was much missed, but we hope that he will soon be on the road to recovery. Some splendid specimens were staged. Total entries 56. Mr. H. Watts won rose bowl most points with four ring birds, also diploma for best Yorks.; Mr. F. Bees diploma for best Mule or Hybrid; Messrs. Curtis and Son diploma best Brit. with a very fine Waxwing.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, Watts; 2, Jones; 3, 4, Richards; vhc, hc, Curtis and Son; c, Bees. BUFF (8): 1, Watts; 2, 3, 4, hc, Richards; vhc, Bees. MKD. OR VAR. YELL. (5): 1, sp., 4, Watts; 2, Curtis and Son; 3, Bees. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Watts; 2, c, Curtis and Son; 4, hc, Jones; vhc, Richards. BORD. (5): 1, 2, Watts; 3, Richards. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, sp., 2, Bees; 3, 4, vhc, c, Davies. GOLDF. OR BULLF. : 1, 2, Davies; 3, Bees; 4, Curtis and Son; vhc, Jones. LINNET, ETC. : 1, 2, Davies; 3, Jones; 4, Bees. A.O. BRIT. (1): 1, sp., Curtis and Son. FOR. : 1, Jones. GR. YORKS. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Curtis and Son.—P. Curtis, Assist. Sec.

Club Reports.

DONCASTER C.B.S.

Meeting, Aug. 8, Black Bull, Mr. Blanchon presiding. Decided to have following classes at open show. Jan. 9: Yorks. 14, Nor. 11, Crest and C.B. 4, Liz. 4, Sell. 3, Mules and Hyb. 3, Brit. 11, For. 3, Total 53. Also decided to hold annual members' show separately in November.—G. Hunt, Hon. Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting Aug. 8, headquarters; not many attended, owing, no doubt, to the state the country is in over the war, which I hope will soon be over. Mr. A. H. C. Legg offered to give a lecture on British Birds, which I am sure every member will be pleased to hear. I hope other members will give lectures or do something to put life in the society. I am sure all members will be delighted to learn anything that may help in any way the Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—J. S. Jones, sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting held Aug. 8, Prince of Wales's Hotel, Mr. Probert presiding. Decided that sec. get books for collecting. Mr. Newell was elected a member. Decided to have same rules for the next open show as last. Mr. Prichard, treas., reported that he had sent on the presentations to Mr. J. Parfitt, the late chairman, and Mr. G. Broome, the late sec. These were framed photographs of the members of our society, with engraved silver plate attached. We are expecting a few applications for membership at next meeting, Aug. 22.—H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec.

MIDDLESBROUGH & TEES-SIDE.

Meeting Crown Hotel, Aug. 1. Mr. Watson presided over a good number and a good deal of business was got through. Schedule for open show was revised to read as follows: Yorks. classes 8, Nor. 8, Crest or C.B. 1. Selling classes 4, Mules and Hybrids 2, Brit. 9, Foreign 1, with several classes added, including field moulted in British. These are

all open classes, and we have taken off all members' classes at open show. There are also 1 Yorks., 1 Nor., 1 Brit., 1 A.O.V. and 1 A.V. Canary hen open to novice members of the South Durham and North Yorks. Federations. We have taken St. John's Hall for show; it is large and well lighted and heated. Points for cup and medal: Canary cup and medal, Mr. Rand, 52 points; British, Mr. Smurthwaite, 115; Mule and Hybrid medal, Mr. Wells, 30; novice medal, Mr. Appleyard, 96. The meeting ended with questions, etc., and Mr. Bean was elected a member; there is room for more.—J. Swinco, sec.

HASTINGS & ST. LEONARDS C.B.S.

Farwell Garden Party by the President.

On July 29th the members of the society were entertained to a garden party, kindly given by the president, the Rev. J. M. Paterson and Mrs. Paterson. There was a large number present, including Mrs. Hantley, Mrs. Kirk-Bullock (V.P.), Mrs. Croft, Mrs. Slack, Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Stevens, Miss Lumley, Miss Lawrell, Miss M. Vale, Miss O. Dawson, and Messrs. F. Slack (V.P.), C. Douch, T. West, W. Turner, T. Sherwood, J. Stevens, T. Veness, A. E. Godden, E. Olle, W. Ellis, H. Pennells, and H. Watford. Everyone regretted the unfortunate absence of the Mayor (Councillor E. Armitage Hocking) and Mr. Conway Wertheimer (both of whom are V.P.'s) and all felt the deepest sorrow and regret that shortly the society would lose its president, and to most of those present it was their final farewell. Mr. Paterson has proved the finest president the society has yet had, and he will indeed be a severe loss.

The members wandered round the beautiful grounds and visited the various aviaries in which still remain some lovely specimens of foreigners. There was great excitement over the games. All thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the kindness and hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Paterson. After the speeches a very warm vote of thanks was carried, and the proceedings came to a close. There was great enthusiasm when the president made known his ambition to send over birds that have not yet been seen in England. The President took the opportunity of showing us all the elegant and beautiful cup which he is so generously giving to the society, and which was greatly admired. It must, indeed, have brought home to us all the sad reality that our President is soon going, and thus he will not this year compete for the Foreign cup at our annual show. Members please note, there will be a special general meeting Aug. 19; keep that date free.—I. Kirk-Bullock, hon. sec. and treas.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

LEEDS.

Leeds L. and C.C. contests, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Aug. 8, 8 entered: 1, Wigfield; 2, Playforth. Aug. 9, 10 birds: 1, Playforth; 2, 3, shared Solomon and Wigfield. Wood and A. Lorrinan, judges.—A. Lorrinan, sec.

LEIGH.

Globe Inn L.C. annual consolation contest, Aug. 8, when all members received a good prize. Time, 1, Statham, 118; 2, Disley 100; 3, Knowles, 41; 4, Amison; 5, Hilton; 6, Cowburn. Quality, 1, Jones; 2, Page; 3, Darbyshire; 4, Holcroft; 5, Statham; 6, Whittle. Timers, R. Statham and R. Holcroft; minutes, J. Whittle; judges for quality, Gibbons and Jones. Annual feed, Sat. Sept. 5, for members and intending members and their wives. All who intend to take part are requested to attend a special general meeting, Aug. 23, at 1 prompt. Those wishing to take part in the feed who cannot attend the meeting must notify the sec.—R. Disley Hon. Sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Contest, Aug. 1, George and Dragon, Bridge Street; 16 birds entered for 4 min. time singing: 1, Smith, 82; 2, Brindley, 62; 3, Wainwright, 36. Aug. 8, 14 entered: 1, Morley, 88; 2, Smith, 64; 3, Brindley, 57.—J. Brindley, Sec.

KIPPAX.

Last special members' sing for 1914, headquarters, Commercial Hotel, Aug. 1; 33 competed. Mr. R. Plows, who has been a tryer for two years with but little success, was at last rewarded for his perseverance by winning 1st. 2nd and 3rd, J. Liversidge, our most successful member, taking 4th, 7th and 8th. J. Bath, 5 and 6, A. Cooper 9, J. Wallis 10. The prizes presented after the sing by treasurer Mr. J. Wallis gave the winners every satisfaction. Open sing, Aug. 3: 1, Bath, and a 3rd, after a dead heat with J. Wallis, who won the decider by 3secs., a near thing.—A. Tamlin, Sec.

Questions and Answers.

COURTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

For Rules see Last Week's Issue.

The following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries, Claude St. John, British Birds, Males, and Hybrids H. Norman, Foreign Birds—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

EYE TROUBLE IN YORKSHIRE. (J. H. F.).—Glad to learn the eye is better, and, as the trouble does not appear to be cataract, I have no doubt the lotion, if persevered with, will quite restore the eyesight, but as progress seems to be very slow I think you may do well to try the effect of the following ointment for a fortnight or so, discontinuing the lotion meanwhile, and note effect. Get a chemist to mix for you five grains of yellow oxide of mercury in a quarter ounce of spermaceti, and put a tiny piece of this—about the size of a pin's head—in the eye each evening. Hold the bird for a few moments and assist the ointment to flow around and beneath the eyelids as it melts. Watch the effect, and if improvement is more rapid, continue with it until eye is quite cured; otherwise go back to the lotion at end of fortnight, and persevere with that as long as is necessary.

A PITIFUL NOISE. (Devonian).—You should have described the noise as nearly as you could. Some of the most "pitiful noises" I have heard were perfectly natural notes of the birds making them. Try a diet of plain canary seed only, with a pinch of summer rape on top every second day. Give a teaspoonful of mixed seed once a week, a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar twice a week, and a little green salad of some kind daily. For three days add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn to the water, and afterwards 20 drops of whisky, and five each of tincture of lobelia, apocuanha wine and glycerine every second day for a fortnight. See that it is not allowed to hang near or over burning lights in the evenings, nor exposed to direct cold draughts or extremes of heat and cold.

FEET AND SEED (Amadis).—(1) The bird has relaxed hind toes, and the following treatment will doubtless set matters right. But you should first of all see that the perches are made of a nice soft wood, and of a proper size for the bird to grip comfortably, and securely fixed in the cage. Place two saucers side by side, fill one with quite cold water and the other with water as hot as you can comfortably bear your little finger in some little time. Catch the bird and hold the feet immersed in the hot water for a minute or two; then remove them and at once place them in the cold water for a similar period; then back into the hot for another similar period; and so on until they have been in both waters five or six times, being careful to finish up in the cold water. Then dry them and gently rub on them a little of any stimulating embrocation, such as Elliman's. Repeat this once a day for a few days until you see that the bird begins to grip with them.

(2) The cause of the perpetual moulting is either exposure to cold draughts, rapid extremes of heat and cold, or damp. Remove any or all of these exciting causes, keep the bird under healthful conditions, and it will doubtless be free from this trouble when it has moulted in the ordinary way, which it will doubtless do very soon. (3) The sample of seed you sent appears to be quite all right, and is of very fair quality all round, but a mixture of this kind is only suitable for occasional use as a treat, and not as a staple diet. At the same time giving this seed mixture for a few days is not sufficient to account for the death of the bird in the way you describe. Whether the seed was contaminated with any injurious substance only an analysis could determine. A post-mortem on the bird would have revealed the cause of death, which no amount of speculation could do satisfactorily.

SWELLING ON ABDOMEN. (E. V.).—It is not possible to be dogmatic about the cause of the swelling without seeing it, though I am inclined to think it is due to some ovarian trouble, probably some abnormality in the production of the eggs. If a valuable bird it would be the wisest course to ask a veterinary surgeon to look at it and advise you. Put it on a diet of bread and milk, to

which you should add three drops of cod liver oil emulsion each day, and sprinkle the whole freely with maw seed. Offer a little scalded summer rape daily, and also a morsel of banana, and let this suffice for the diet until the acute symptoms have passed away. Then you may give access to a supply of plain canary seed, but continue the above items for a week or two afterwards. In each two tablespoonfuls of drinking-water add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn for one day only, and after this give instead thirty drops of brandy in the same quantity of water each day until better. Warmth, stimulation, and a light, easily digested diet are the only things likely to be of any service in such a case as this.

HEN GETTING BARE. (Mrs. P. D. Alair).—See that the cage is thoroughly cleared from insects in the first place, and keep bird in a fairly warm temperature, but do not over-heat it, and do not expose it to direct cold draughts, rapid extremes of heat and cold, or damp, and do not hang it near or over burning lights in the evenings. Allow bird to bathe as freely as it desires, and touch the joints of the door, ends of perches, and any joints or cracks about the cage with a small brush dipped in a strong solution of quassia twice a week for a time, but there should be no necessity for continuing with the quassia baths. Give a diet of plain canary seed as staple, and in addition give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana every second day, and on the alternate days a morsel of bread and milk, lightly dusted with flour of sulphur, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar, and also a little green salad of some kind. Twice a week you may give a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, maw, and broken groats. On each of the days following those on which you give the bread and milk add to the drinking-water about five grains of chlorate of potash and ten drops of lemon juice. Continue this treatment for a month. Do not pat anything at all on the skin unless the grease you have used appears to have made the skin sore, in which case you may anoint it slightly twice a week during the month with sulphur ointment, but do not daub the plumage unnecessarily.

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1s.); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1s.); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1s.); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1s.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2s.); Ransden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1s.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

TO REAR AND TAME A CANARY. (E. Richards).—For detailed particulars about hand-rearing young Canaries see reply to "Mrs. Basil Higgins" in our last issue. If you take the young you wish to rear from the parents when about twelve days old you should have no difficulty in rearing it safely, and by being kept away from its parents it will grow up naturally tame and fearless. There is practically no secret whatever in taming them when they are brought up by hand apart from the parents, beyond constant attention, a quiet manner, and frequently giving them little tit-bits of food or green salad, seeds, etc., from the hand as soon as they show signs of beginning to try to feed themselves. Offer all such dainties from the fingers, and give free access only to the staple diet of plain canary seed; cultivate a quiet methodical manner, and avoid sudden movements or noises when attending to them, or too frequent attempts at handling them. You will find that as they leave the nest and grow up they will rapidly acquire all the familiarity of habit with you that you could wish, but they will show some resentment to being taken in the hand, and it is best to encourage all their advances, but avoid frequent handling at first. They will gradually lose their natural resentment, and grow not to mind being taken in the hand, and soon show much greater fearlessness than if you attempted to force your caresses upon them prematurely. Be patient, kind, gentle, and attentive, and you will find that nothing else is required to make the bird as chummy as any you may have seen.

YOUNG YORKSHIRE MOPY. (A. R. Daniels).—Most birds have their dull and listless moods more or less when they are moulting, and I do not suspect there is anything else wrong with your bird, beyond the natural effect of the moult. But you should not hang it quite near a window, as, even if it is not exposed to cold draughts, it is practically certain to be exposed to great fluctuations of temperature, which are quite as bad. Keep it in a bright and healthy place where the temperature is fairly equal, though it need not be very warm, neither should it be

quite cold. A moderate warmth will expedite the moulting process, and thus help the bird. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days add to the water 20 drops of whisky, and five of syrup or saffron during the first week and afterwards substitute 20 drop doses of Chemical Food two or three times a week for a month. Instead of watercress give a half-ripe plantain stalk each day whilst moulting. I do not think anything else will be necessary, but if the bird shows no signs of improvement in two or three weeks write again, and repeat particulars, and I will advise you further.

WILL NOT SING, ETC. (E. Lockhart).—(1) I think if you have a little patience the bird will resume song all right when it is quite recovered from its late condition. It is not of any import that it remains silent for perhaps a few weeks at this time. Certainly I would not advise you to invest in toy instruments to try to incite it to sing. If you could place it where it would hear a good free singer for a week or two that might be of some practical use, and help to bring it out a little sooner than it would otherwise begin, but trying to bring it out by making unholy noises, or with toy instruments is quite useless. (2) See that its perches are made of a nice soft wood, of a proper size, and well fitting. Then bathe its inflamed foot in a warm solution of extract of wych hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing for a few minutes dry gently, and if there appears any soreness anoint the foot all over with Lanocyllin ointment. Do not leave any surplus grease about the foot to collect sand and dirt from the cage floor. Repeat bathing once daily for a few days as may seem necessary.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BIRDS DYING (W. C. Coombs).—I am afraid your interference with the oil gland situated on the rump of your birds, did harm rather than good. This gland becomes at times somewhat swollen in some birds, but it should be looked upon as a symptom of some more serious trouble. In your case the swelling and discoloration of the abdomen indicates internal trouble, possible inflammation, and if you have any more birds affected in a like manner, put them on a diet of bread soaked in hot milk; take all their seed away and give a pinch of maw seed only, feed them in this way for two or three days, then give a little soaked seed and gradually get them back on to their usual diet. In bad cases, paint lightly the affected part with Elliman's embrocation, diluted with the same quantity of salad oil, it is too strong to use as it is on a delicate bird. The fact of your having several birds affected is a proof that there is something quite wrong in your management. You say you are feeding them according to our Nutshell booklets, but although these excellent publications give general direction for treatment, one has to use a certain amount of discretion, someone I recently visited had a cage stuffed with groundsel, some of it hanging in the water tin, and some in a decayed condition, he explained that the Nutshell had told him to give groundsel. Now perhaps if you look round your birds and carefully consider your method of feeding them you may be able to see where you are in error. See that all seed is in sound condition, and quite free from dust, give seedling green food in small quantities, and fresh daily, let all the drinking water be boiled before giving it to the birds.

SHOW CAGE FOR HAWFINCH (F. G.).—A useful show cage would be 14 inches long, 12 inches high, and 6 inches deep, the colour should be a fairly dark, but rich green. If you are painting the cage yourself get a laurel leaf and imitate the colour as nearly as you can. Do not take one of the fresh ones of recent growth as these are a shade too yellow, find a nice even coloured one. The same colour will do admirably for a Bullfinch, although I prefer to have it just a shade richer, as this forms a greater contrast to the red breast of the Bullie, and also shows up the darker markings.

EXHIBITING GOLDFINCH-CANARY (Derby Lad).—Dark Goldfinch-Canaries frequently show a light patch on the lower part of the body. If the dark feathers finish off abruptly, and the light feathers are white, the bird is a variegated. In some the dark feathers flow into the lighter ones almost imperceptibly, and these light feathers are not white but incline to yellow or cream; such birds are frequently exhibited in the dark class. By your description I should think your bird would be eligible in the dark class, but the unfortunate part about it is, that some judges will accept a bird that others will disqualify. (2) I would advise you

to colour feed him. Non fed Hybrids do not as a rule stand much chance of getting to the top of the class, and the feeding, if done properly, may darken the light feathers you mention. (3) He should by now be dropping into moult, if not, try a fly in a large flight or aviary; this change from a small cage usually has the desired effect.

SEXING GOLDFINCH MULES (C. Smith).—You do not say if your Hybrids are adult or young birds. If they are this year's produce I am afraid I cannot give you any information that would assist you to decide with any certainty the sex of your light and dark bird. If you had a whole brood of them the size and richer colour would help you to pick out the cocks, but where you have none to compare it makes it somewhat difficult, although an expert could probably make a correct guess. If your birds are adult and have consequently attained their full plumage, the light one, if a cock bird, should show some trace of blaze on the face, and rich colour on the wings. The hens, as a rule, are very pale throughout, and quiet in manner compared with cocks. In dark birds the cock's blaze is generally rich in tone, although perhaps not very expansive,

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and there is a nice bar of yellow on the edge of the wing feathers, while cocks are brighter in colour throughout than hens. The blaze of a hen is usually inclined to be of an orange or yellowish tone, the wing bars are faint and narrow, and the colours throughout dull and wanting in tone. The cocks are grand singers and this alone should show their sex. If you are in doubt you had better keep them until after the moult, when, if cocks, they would soon commence to sing if well fed.

GREENFINCH AILING (R. S.).—It does not appear that there is much the matter with your Greenfinch; the moult affects birds in different ways, and I expect yours is feeling the strain. I would advise you to give him boiled water to drink, putting a small teaspoonful of chemical food in it twice a week. Discontinue the linseed and give a good pinch of maw seed daily. Do not be too liberal with green food, select the seedling tops, rather than the green leaves of the wild food you collect. (2) The birds you lost were probably sickening for the moult, and as they are very susceptible to cold at that time it may have carried them off; a little stimulant given in time might have saved them, the bath can be given right through the moult, but must be used on suitable days only, and then in the morning so that the birds dry quickly, and are quite fit before roosting time. The bath greatly assists birds to throw off the old feathers, and encourages the growth of new ones. Birds will bathe almost as freely in cold water as in warm, and come to no harm providing they do it fairly early in the morning.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BUDGERIGARS (X. Y. Z.).—I am afraid the case is nearly hopeless, but as you have had it some time you will doubtless like to try to effect a cure. Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water daily till the bowels have been well moved; when this occurs only give the magnesia once a week, and on other days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water. If you can handle the bird without unduly scaring it, give it two drops of cod liver oil direct to the beak daily till it is in condition again. Anoint the bare parts lightly with sulphur ointment, but do not use sufficient to make the plumage greasy. Give the bird as much seedling and flowering grass as it will eat, also grit, cuttlebone, and the usual seeds (canary, white millet, and a millet spray). If you have gas in your cellar kitchen the bird must hang below the level of the gaslights.

MARKING BUDGERIGARS (T. F. Sami).—This should have been done while they were nestlings, when they should have been rung, just the same as Canary breeders do. However, if you procure some aluminium rings which pull open, and press these round the leg, it can be done now. By procuring a number of different coloured rings you could distinguish the young of respective pairs and

early and late broods. Most breeders leave the sexes together during the winter, especially when they are in roomy outdoor aviaries; however, if you have the convenience, catch the birds up and keep the sexes separate. This prevents attempts at breeding during the winter months, and enables you to regulate the season, so that very prolific pairs do not exhaust themselves with too many broods. Yellows and greens can be kept together, but the yellows and greens interbreed, with the result that the bulk of the progeny are greens, but such yellows as keep separate will throw good stock, though if you let them go on commingling, the yellows would be ultimately lost, or what remained be so marked and tinged with green as to be worthless. You should get the Nutshell "Budgerigars," 2½d. post free, from our manager.

AILING GREY (E. C. M.).—Continue to give the cod liver oil emulsion daily, and put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia into the drinking water daily till the bowels have been well moved; then once a week will be often enough to give the magnesia. Get the following mixture from your chemist: Ipecacuanha wine, oxymel of squills, and glycerine in equal parts—take one teaspoonful of the mixture, put it in a bottle and add six teaspoonfuls of water—give the bird three drops of this twice daily till the breathing is easier. Examine its mouth, and if this is at all unclean or slimy, put a little honey and borax in the mouth once or twice a day, smearing on the tongue from a short piece of stick, but so long as you get it inside the beak the bird will absorb it. Keep the cage standing in a warm situation, yet where the air is fresh, but there must be no draught, and it will help if the temperature is rather high. If unfavourable symptoms develop, write again at once with full details.

BUDGERIGARS (Ruth).—You should send to our manager for the Nutshell "Budgerigars," 2½d. post free; it will tell you more than can be crowded into this reply. There has been a series, "Keeping Foreign Seed-eaters in Cages," from my pen in recent issues of CAGE BIRDS; if you are a new reader the Editor would send you the parts containing them. If you handle Budgerigars they bite, and their beaks have needle points, so that they usually draw blood—but it is not serious, little more than a pin prick. They must be fed on canary and white millet seed; give them a millet spray occasionally, and keep cage bottom covered with sand and grit. Also green-food, especially seeding and flowering grass while in season. The minimum size for the cage should be 24 by 18 by 12 to 15 inches high. They are hardy birds, and if you have a spare room, and could give them a large box with a wire-netting front, they would be more interesting; in any case use natural twiggy branches for perches.

WHAT IS IT? (W. B. C.).—It is an Orange-checked Waxbill; it is a seed-eater. Diet: Canary, white and Indian millet seed, millet sprays, green-food, grit, cuttlebone, and water. The Nutshell "Waxbills" would tell you all about it. The Pekin Robin is as large as, and very like, our Robin, except in coloration, as you'll see from the figure on book cover.

PLANTS FOR AVIARY (Psittacus).—It is practically no use planting trees and bushes in an aviary containing Parakeets and Love-

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Godian Finches," No. 16 "Aradovots," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

birds; the kinds most likely to resist their ravages longest are common broad-leaved laurel and rhododendron. You can, however, make a Parakeet aviary look very nice by planting firmly dead trees and bushes, and covering the ground area with grass, herbage, and cereals; as a rule, such flourish and are very effective. I should say the hen Cockatiel is either moulting or her mate is plucking her a little, more probably the former.

WHAT ARE THEY? (M. E. W.).—Madagascar or Grey-headed Lovebirds, the all-green bird is the hen. Give them a bath. Canary white millet, a millet spray, green-food (seeding and flowering grass as long as it is obtainable), grit, cuttlebone, and water, will meet their simple requirements. The mixture does not contain enough canary seed; mix your own, the canary and white millet to be in equal parts. Give them a large husk or small barrel for a nest receptacle, and they will require a few thin twigs, strips of bark and leaves as nesting material. They will want a large cage if they are to breed.

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ABERDEEN C.B.S.—Aug. 22, Prince of Wales Hotel, 7.30. Collecting books to be given out, and general business.—H. H. Mortimer.

BIRKENHEAD C.F.A.—Aug. 18, Ablett's Cafe, 8. "Fauha of Birkenhead and District." Meeting open to all.—G. Morton.

BRADFORD CITY O.S.—Aug. 15, Flying Dutchman, 8. General business.—W. Helwell.

CHOPWELL C.B.S.—Aug. 15, Club Hall, 6.30. Show business and choosing of cup, etc.—W. H. Christer.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Aug. 18, 8.30. Special meeting to make arrangements for annual show.—T. J. Hose.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.—Aug. 20, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45.—W. Kane.

DARLINGTON C.B.S.—Aug. 19, George Hotel, 7.30. Classification for open show and other important business.—H. Todd.

GARSTON B.B.A.—Aug. 20, Club Room, 8.—A. T. Mullock.

HALIFAX C.B.S.—Aug. 20, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. Open show and other business.—A. Sutcliffe.

HETTON-LE-HOLE C.B.S.—Aug. 15, Colliery Hotel, 7.30. Important business.—G. Vipond.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.—Aug. 17, White Hart Hotel, 8. Monthly table show F.F. birds. Judge, Mr. C. Morrison, Brighouse. Three classes Yorks., and two Nor. Ramble Aug. 22.—A. Lawford.

ILKESTON C.B.S.—Aug. 15, Rutland Arms Hotel, Bath Street, 7. Class making and other important business.—G. Sigdown.

KELTY AND BLAIRADAM C.B.S.—Aug. 13, No. 2, Goth, 6. General business.—A. Dickson.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.—Aug. 15, Newmarket Hotel, Shudehill, Manchester, 6.30. General business; good muster required.—J. Rukin.

LEIGH C.B.S.—Aug. 19, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Table N.F. show; judging at 8, no birds accepted after. Mr. E. Clare judge.—R. Charleson.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.—Aug. 15, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 8. Electing new members; special business on autumn show, prize cards, etc., for young bird show.—W. Gilbert.

MANCHESTER AND NORTHERN COUNTIES O.S.—Aug. 17, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open show question. Business very important.—F. Wilkinson.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.—Aug. 20, Kelvedon Hall, Walham Green, 8. Annual show, whist drive, society business.—H. F. Bowring.

NEWCASTLE C.B.S.—Aug. 20, Purvis' Cafe, Clayton Street, 8. Special meeting to consider whether we shall hold a show this year under the circumstances of war, etc.—T. C. Crawhall.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.—Aug. 15, South Moor Hotel, 7. Schedule for annual show and other important business.—C. Davison.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.—Aug. 15, headquarters, 7.30. Patronages, schedule, payment of prize money, etc.—J. Peacock.

WATFORD C.B.S.—Aug. 17, Conservative Hall, Clarendon Road, 9. Extraordinary special general meeting. To discuss show committee's recommendation to abandon open show owing to present crisis.—W. Raeley.

WHAT IS IT? (C. Emmett).—An Amazon, very probably a young bird; it is rather difficult to name from written descriptions, and I really can't make your description exactly fit any of them. If, as I suspect, it is a young bird, then some of the missing colour may develop later and solve the difficulty. I am keeping your description by me, and the first time I am in London I will look through the skins at the Museum, and possibly among some of the immature specimens I shall find one to fit yours.

POST MORTEM.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

G. GREENOP.—Death occurred from exhaustion following internal hemorrhage resulting from injury.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

FRED SMITH.—The plant sent is one of the Stellaria (doubtless the Lesser Stitchwort), to which group the Chickweed belongs. Its seeds would not be harmful to either Canaries or British and Foreign seed-eating birds.

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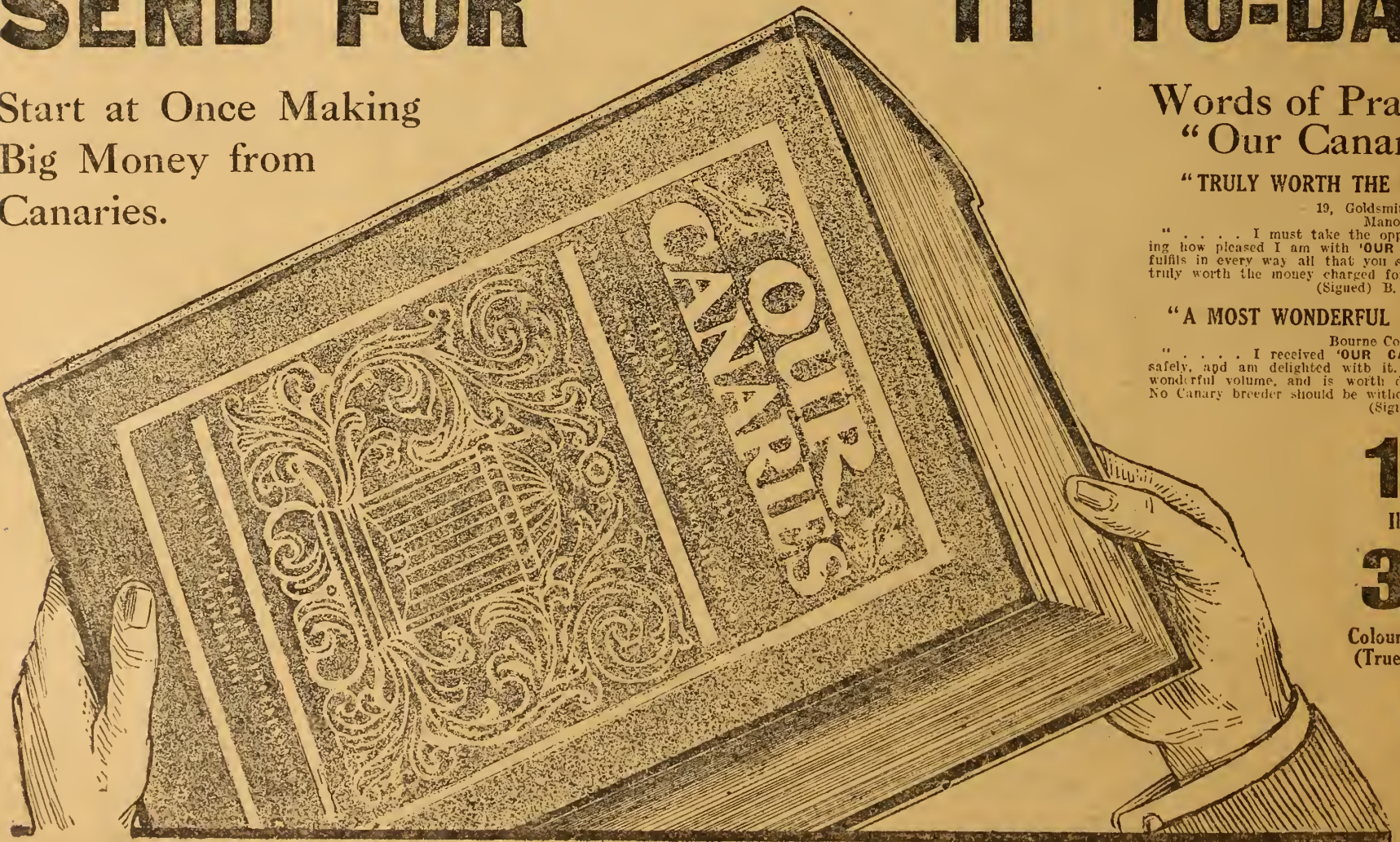
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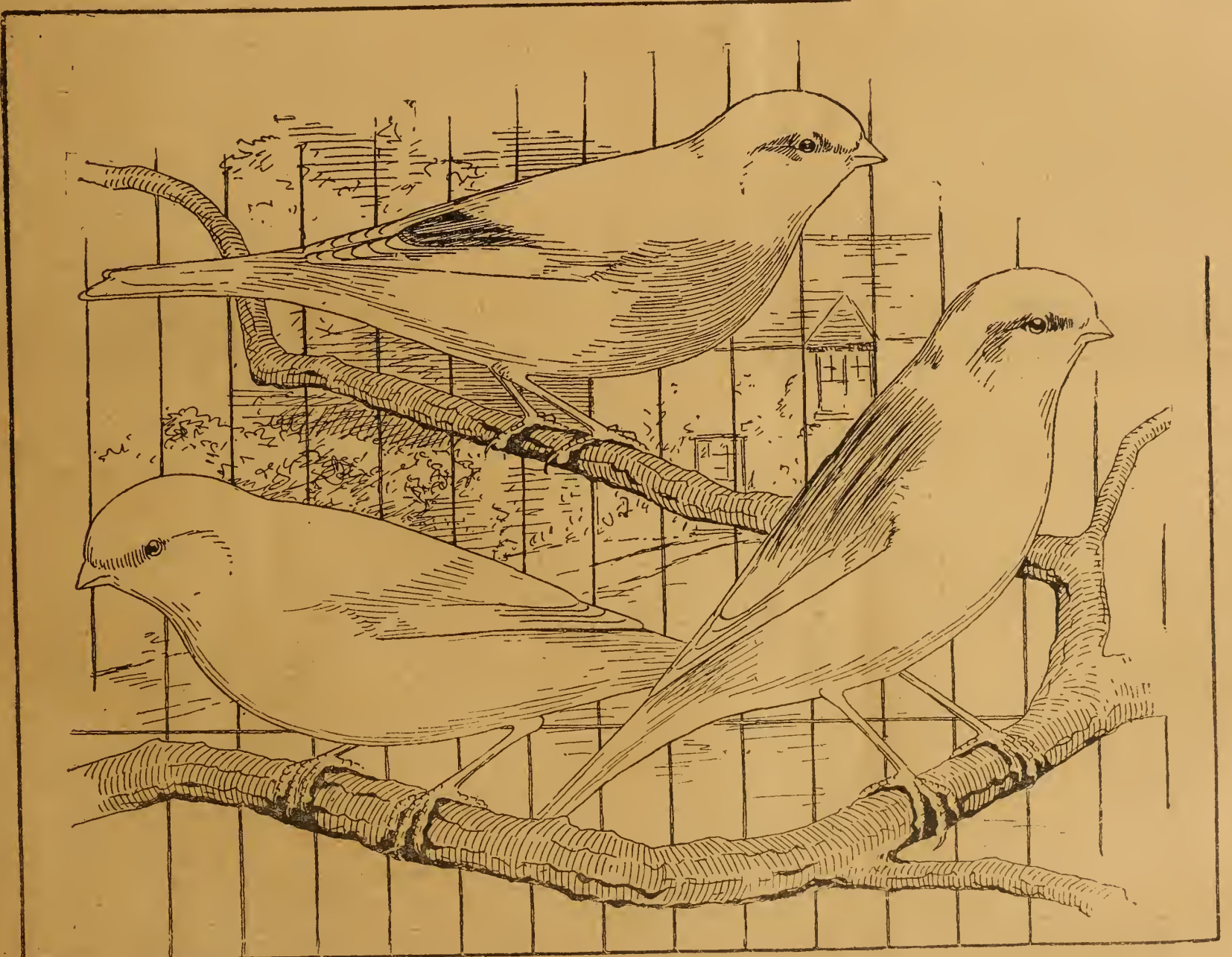
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Twitterings.

Mr. A. Green, honorary secretary, writes that the annual show of the Coventry O.S. will be held on Nov. 14. Mr. T. E. Barker, sec. of Todmorden C.B.S., has removed from 15, Watty Terrace to "Oakdene," Walsden, nr. Todmorden. We are informed by the General Secretary that the show of the Vale of Conway Agricultural Society is postponed until next year. We hear from Mr. C. Davison, Sec. South Moor C.B.S., that there will be forty-one classes at the annual show, including a Novice class in each Canary section. I am sorry to inform you, writes Mr. A. T. Bellinger, hon. sec. Bromley and W. Kent F.A., that owing to Government requiring the Drill Hall we shall be unable to hold our annual show on Oct. 14 and 15 as arranged. We are sorry to hear from Mr. A. Beavington, of Isleworth, that after eleven months of illness he is compelled to go into hospital for the second time, and must therefore dispose of the whole of his birds and appliances. These will be found advertised in one lot under "Norwich."

We have received notification from the respective secretaries that the following societies have decided not to hold an open show this year: Middlesbro' and Tees-side C.B.S., Dy-sart C.B.S., Wakefield Roller C.C., and Wimbledon C.B.S. The young stock show of the Islington F.A., fixed for Sept. 26, is also cancelled. Wimbledon C.B.S. will hold a members' show early in the new year to decide the destination of the cups. In "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, for August, Mr. Wesley T. Page continues his account of "An Easter Tour," the Marquis of Tavistock contributes an interesting story of his Bankian Cockatoos, and the Rev. J. M. Paterson, M.A., tells of the breeding of Hooded Siskins, and a cross between an English and a Himalayan Goldfinch. Among the other contributors are Mr. W. Shore Baily, Major Perreau, Mr. S. Williams, Mr. J. Goodchild, Capt. J. S. Reeve, Mrs. E. S. Gardiner, and the Hon. Mary Hawke.

Watford's Sensible Attitude.

Watford C.B.S. held a special meeting on Monday last, writes a correspondent, to consider a recommendation by the Show Committee, "That the open show, in view of the crisis, be abandoned." After considerable discussion the members decided to adjourn for a week to see if there was any chance of holding the show, as they were somewhat reluctant to adopt the abandonment too hastily. Why not Sparrows as Food? Considering the enormous amount of damage done to the corn at this time of the year by Sparrows, would this not be a good time to make a determined effort to lessen their numbers? It is only prejudice that prevents Sparrows from being used as food. Why should not a start be made now when meat is becoming so costly to the poor?—A. Shield, in "The Standard."

A Plague of Parrots.

Society is suffering just now from a plague of Parrots, says a writer in the "Manchester Dispatch." If you take your walks about the squares of Mayfair and Belgravia you will be startled by horrible shrieks and screams emanating from my lady's Parrot, and the creatures may be seen at every other house, either caged in the windows or perched on the railings in front. One goes to tea and finds one's hostess has only two preoccupations, and nothing short of a megaphone is of any use for conversation. Yapping round your legs is her toy pom or her Pekingese. Immediately behind your back is the Parrot, who screams insulting remarks just as you have balanced your teacup at the right angle. If you kick the dog you have committed social suicide; if you fail to join the admiring chorus round the Parrot and to accept with proper meekness a finger viciously pecked you are regarded as an outsider, and will probably be "cut" in the park. A man I met to-day was talking of starting an Anti-Parrot League, and I was able to assure him that members, including the husbands of some of the owners, would pour in.

Scaring the Wood-pigeons.

Wood Pigeons are most difficult to scare away from a field to which they have once taken unless one is prepared to allow someone to be in the field all day. The Wood-Pigeon takes very little notice of anything that he cannot see, but I would suggest that you try an automatic gun, an affair worked by clockwork, that fires off blank cartridges at regular intervals. Any implement agent should be able to obtain one for you, and this, coupled with a fairly realistic scarecrow, should keep them away.—W. M. T. in the "Fancier and Stockbreeder."

The Augury of the Storks.

The ancients were devout watchers of the movements of migratory birds, and the Roman "augurs" were nothing more than official bird-watchers, basing their forecasts on ornithological observations. Without doubt there was much of quackery in their business, but probably also a strain of real wisdom—in the early days of the profession, at least. A hundred and two years ago a forecast of uncommon importance was made, and neglected. The Storks that autumn were noticed to leave Europe long before the usual date, and this was accepted by the natives of Russia as a certain sign of a severe winter. The attention of Napoleon was drawn to the fact, but he laughed at it; the campaign against Russia was opened; and, as we know, it was the unprecedented severity of the year that broke his army and contributed towards his fall.

Starving Sea Birds.

The war in Europe has not been without its effect upon bird life, and in the North Sea, a friend writes me, says "W.C." in the "Manchester Dispatch," some remarkable sights are to be seen around the fishing boats operating within sight of land. The withdrawal of the trawlers from the Dogger Bank has meant that thousands of sea birds are starving, for they have practically existed upon the offal cast back into the sea by the fishermen.

Now the food supply is stopped, and thousands of Gulls are starving, whilst huge flocks of the birds have flown towards land and in the far north they are inland scouring the newly-ploughed hillsides for an existence. I believe the birds have not appeared on the coasts in great numbers for many years. The small rocks at low tide now seem to be swarming with desolate-looking birds, and the capture of a snail fish or some garbage is the signal for a general battle for possession.

BUSINESS IN PLENTY CAN STILL BE DONE.

"Please thank, through CAGE BIRDS, those who sent for Finches, as I am sold out. I have had 50 letters beside 12 postcards for a sixpenny advertisement."—J. KING (Grantham).

"I must thank CAGE BIRDS for the wonderful success I got from my advt. I got 30 enquiries for my Hawfinch, and had to part with two more birds I was going to keep for myself. Now I shall have to get more birds. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success."—BERNARD ROBINSON (Redditch).

PRIZES FOR NEW VARIETIES

And the Breeding of British and Foreign Birds.

To encourage all readers to try what they can do in the matter of evolving new varieties of the Canary, of producing new kinds of Mules and Hybrids, and breaking fresh ground in the breeding of British and Foreign birds in cages and aviaries, CAGE BIRDS is adopting the scheme outlined below, which we hope will commend itself to, and stimulate into action, every bird-keeper who can possibly join in it.

CAGE BIRDS suitable and valuable mementoes are offered to any breeder who succeeds in

- (1) Producing and rearing any new variety of Canary, bred in either cage or aviary.
(2) Producing and rearing any new variety of Mule or Hybrid, bred in either cage or aviary.
(3) Breeding and rearing in a cage any species of British or Foreign bird which has not previously been so bred.
(4) Breeding and rearing in an aviary any species of British or Foreign bird which has not previously been so bred.

The mementoes we offer take two forms: (1) A large suitably-inscribed silver medal in case.

(2) A hand-coloured certificate, suitable for framing. The choice will rest with the successful breeder.

An additional prize of £1 1s. Cash will be given to the breeder of the Rarest British Softbill in a Cage.

This is presented by Mrs. E. Warren Vernon.

SINGING CANARIES FOR SOLDIERS' HOSPITALS.

It has occurred to us that many of the temporary hospitals and convalescent homes now being brought into being for wounded soldiers might be glad to have for the benefit of inmates and nurses a singing Canary. We therefore invite each of our readers who keep Canaries to set apart from their stock one singing cock Canary in a small travelling cage. We do not require these birds to be sent in to us. All we ask is that the following promise should be given.

Canaries for the Hospitals

I am willing, if called on any time during the next twelve months, to supply free of cost one singing cock Canary and small travelling cage, to be presented as a gift to any Hospital or Convalescent Home applying for same.

Name.....
Address (in full)
Date.....
To the Editor, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London.

When we have received the necessary number of promises, we will then ascertain how many hospitals and homes for wounded soldiers require these gifts, and we will deal with all applications and gifts in the order in which they are received. All promises will be acknowledged in the columns of CAGE BIRDS, and the ultimate destination of each bird will also be announced as soon as possible.

Readers who cannot make any definite promise at the present moment may mark their promise "if possible."

We should like to make it clear that we are not asking for Canaries which are up to exhibition standard; all that is needed is that they shall be healthy, good songsters, and not too old (the sex, of course, readers will be careful to guarantee).

Cash Prizes for the Best Written Accounts.

In addition we shall award to each sender of the best written essay in each of Sections 1, 2, and 4,

A Cash Prize of £1 1s.

that is, three guineas in all. In Section 3 the sender of the best written essay will receive

A Cash Prize of £2 2s.

presented by Mr. W. E. Teschemaker. Rule 6, of course, applies also to the awarding of all essay prizes, to compete for which the essays must be of not less than 1,000 words in length. In fact the explicitness and helpfulness of the details given will be the chief features taken into consideration when making the awards.

The Governing Conditions.

- (1) Claims for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes must be lodged with Editor within ten days of the young birds being hatched; and an independent witness skilled with birds shall certify to having seen the young in the nest or with the parents.
(2) All young, excepting only Canaries and Mules and Hybrids, must be entirely reared by their own parents, hand-rearing not being permissible.
(3) To qualify for CAGE BIRDS Breeders' Prizes the young of Hardbills and Softbills must live for at least three weeks after leaving the nest, young Quails six weeks, and the young Canaries or young Mules or Hybrids until after their first moult. By "young" is meant one, or more.
(4) Our definition of a cage is: A cage to come within the scope of Section 3 must be one that can be easily moved, without being taken to pieces, from place to place by one person.
(5) Written accounts of the breeding, for publication in CAGE BIRDS, must be lodged with us within four weeks (28 days) from the date the young birds leave the nest.
(6) The decision of the Editor of CAGE BIRDS will be final and binding in every case and he shall have the right to call together a committee of expert bird-keepers if need be to assist him in coming to the said decision.

SHOWS.

ADVERTISEMENTS. SCALE OF CHARGES, which must be fully PREPAID 1/4-inch 2/6, 1/2-inch 3/6, 1 inch 6/6. Except to "Guaranteed" Shows appearing in our "Dates Fixed" Column, which are charged at 5s. per inch and pro rata. SHOW ADVERTISEMENTS across two or more columns 7/6 per inch, column width, except to "Guaranteed" Shows, for which the charge is 6/6 per inch, column width. A reduction will be made for a series of not less than Nine Weeks. Secretaries desirous of "guaranteeing" a Show should apply for guarantee form to our Manager. CAGE BIRDS, 154, FLEET STREET, LONDON.

Merionethshire Agricultural Society, TOWYN, Friday, Sept. 4th, 1914. Judge, Mr. Clem Watson, Oxhey, Watford. Cage Birds (open); Poultry, Pigeons (open to Wales). Prize money, 10/-, 5/-. Entries finally close Aug. 26th. Schedules and entry forms from—Robt. Roberts, Secretary.

To Correspondents generally. It would much facilitate our work if Secretaries and others would kindly write out their club reports, notices, etc., in the style in which they see them printed. Write on ONE SIDE ONLY of each sheet of paper used. Will all correspondents, and secretaries and officials of societies in particular, please note that CAGE BIRDS now goes to press on Wednesday afternoon, so that all matter for publication in our issue of the same week MUST reach us on TUESDAY TO BE CERTAIN OF INCLUSION.

THE PATRONAGE OF SPECIALIST CLUBS.

Societies desiring the patronage of the following clubs should apply to the respective sees., stating date of show, number of classes and judges: Northern Border and S.F.C.C., M. C. Potts, 52, Palmouth Road, Newcastle; Midland Counties Y.C.C., W. Wells, Hechmside, Edington, Birmingham; Norwich P.H.C., F. Cunniffe, 19, Lark Street, Buryley; Northern C.C., Geo. Dobson, 103, James Street, Blaydon-on-Tyne; Yorkshire and Lancashire British Bird and M.C., T. H. Inman, Thornbury, Bradford; Northern Y.C.C., R. Tindale, 6, Gill Street, Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne; Green C.A., F. Handley, 23, Coventry Rd., Waverley, Liverpool; Scottish P.H. Club, E. Barron, 119, Montrose Street, Glasgow; Crested C.C., J. Tyson, 169, Sloane Street, S.W.; Northern Lizard Club, G. C. Davidson, 6, Eden Vale, Sunderland, Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C., J. Head, 12, Mill Street, Maryport. [Will sees. kindly let us know when their patronage list is full for the forthcoming season.—(Editor).]

All About the Bullfinch: Its Keeping, Moulting and Exhibiting.

By ERNEST A. BUSH (Worthing).

THE Bullfinch, one of the most beautiful of our British Finches, is a prime favourite with a good many bird-keepers. As a wild bird his food consists chiefly of the following: Privet and blackberries, buds of the plum tree and gooseberry and currant bushes, also the following wild seeds, dandelion, groundsel, shepherd's purse, dock, ragweed, various thistles, and the seeds of the ash tree, known as "ash keys."

There is no difficulty at all in distinguishing the sexes, for the hen lacks the beautiful crimson breast of the cock bird. The Bullfinch nests in the month of May, and the site chosen is often the middle of a thick blackberry bush, where they are safe from intrusion. The nest is composed of fine twigs, roots and hair. The hen does all the building. The eggs are usually four or five in number, and are of a greenish-blue colour, with purplish-brown markings. They take fourteen days to hatch out, and the young Bullfinches before they are feathered are very ugly, looking nearly all head! They are ready to leave the nest at three weeks old. Until the first moult there is hardly any difference between the sexes.

Hand-Rearing Easy.

Bullfinches are fairly easy birds to hand-rear, and can be reared on ordinary egg food (as is given to Canaries); after a few days add a little soaked rape, and give them as many of the small wild seeds as you can obtain. The hand-rearing of Bullfinches however, is hardly necessary, as they are the easiest of our British Finches to steady. Fresh-caught birds, with careful handling, will soon lose their wildness, and get tame.

As to the catching of the Bullfinch, that is no hard matter, for they are one of the easiest of birds to trap. All you need is a double trap-cage, with a Bullie in the bottom compartment, and a few black or privet berries (failing these, a handful of hemp and sunflower seeds will be sufficient). Leave the trap cage on the top of a hedge, and if there are any Bullies within call, they will answer your bird and come to see who the intruder is. When they see the bait, they will usually hop down inside. Be careful to see that the

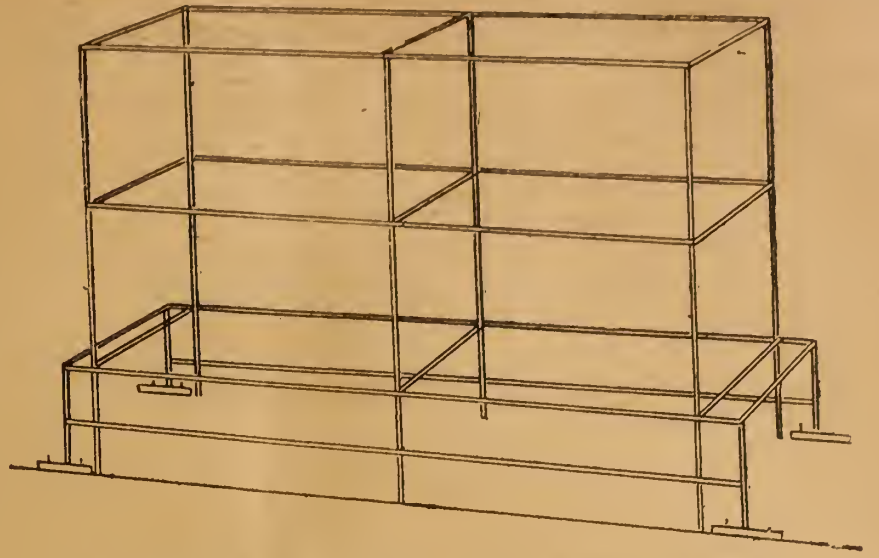
berries in the trap are placed right down, as the Bullie is a very artful bird, and won't jump down if he can reach it by craning his neck. They should never be caught in the spring, as they are setting up housekeeping then.

Feed fresh caught birds on soaked seed, also all the suitable wild seeds you can find. I always put them into a small outdoor aviary when first caught, as they are not so likely to damage their feathers then as in a cage.

An Apt Scholar.

The Bullfinch is not much of a song-bird, though some will pipe very sweet and low, but is very intelligent, and some bird-keepers take advantage of this by teaching them to pipe tunes. Young hand-reared birds are best for this purpose. The tune which you want them to acquire must be whistled over to them every time before feeding. When they begin to whistle a few notes they should be encouraged, and the best way to do this is to give them a few "tit-bits." With perseverance they can be taught several tunes; but let them learn one thoroughly before starting on another. The whistling should be kept up for several months. Be careful not to stop it in the moulting season, as this invariably leads to their forgetting what they have already learnt.

The Bullfinch begins to moult about the end of July. The best way to moult them is to put them in an outdoor aviary, for they then get plenty of exercise and fresh air. But where a bird lover has not the advantage of an outdoor aviary, the next best thing is a large, roomy cage, which should be hung outdoors on every available opportunity. But never put them in the direct rays of the sun, as this helps to "kill" the colour. I never advise the moulting of a Bullfinch indoors, as I think they come out very much duller in colour. The birds should have plenty of black and privet berries, as these are Nature's own colouring agents; also give them as many wild seeds as can be found. Artificial colour food does not seem to do them much good; the wild berries are ten times better for them, but when I say give them berries, I don't mean one or two sprigs a day, but as many as the bird will eat. Privet ber-



A CAGE RACK THAT WILL STAND ALONE.

(See Mr. Loveday's letter on page 81.)

ries are very useful, as they will last quite a long while, if put in a glass of water, or stuck into damp earth. When the birds are moulted, it is a good plan to catch them and cage them for a few weeks, to give them the opportunity to steady down.

The Points of an Exhibition Bird.

For exhibition purposes a Bullfinch should be a shapely, thick-set bird, short and cobby, with a bold, well-filled breast, broad skull, and broad shoulders, neck and throat full, short, and well filled in, close fitting wing, nice easy carriage, cap clean cut and glossy, breast rich and bright in colour, the crimson running right down to the thighs. The back should be of a silvery grey colour, while the light wing bar should be showing prominently, likewise the white rump feathers. The tail must be neatly folded, and legs and feet clean and free from scales. The main point to consider is perhaps colour. It is not much good showing a bird failing in this respect.

A bath should be given at least once a day, as the Bullfinch is very fond of bathing. This is all that is needed in the way of "getting-up" a Bullfinch for show. The best colour for a show cage inside is either a dark holly green, or a pale blue (I prefer the green), while the outside should be enamelled black. Do not exhibit your

birds too many times in a season, as repeated long railway journeys very often prove too much for them.

As regard the feeding of the Bullfinch, this is no hard matter. A good stock mixture can be made of the following: Two parts canary, 2 parts teal, 1 part sunflower, 1 part rape, 1 part summer or German rape. Do not give much hemp, except as a "tit-bit." In the moulting season it is as well to stop the hemp altogether. With the above-named mixture, and the berries and wild seeds, clean water and a bath every day, our bird will not go far wrong. The Bullfinch is a splendid bird for a beginner, as it is hardy and healthy, providing it is properly kept.

The hen Bullfinch is now almost as valuable as her mate, as since Hybrid breeding has become the fashion, the lions have been in large request. Strange to say the cock Bullie has never yet been known to father a Hybrid, but doubtless in time he will become a parent of Hybrids. The hen has been crossed with a good many different birds, such as the Canary, Goldfinch, Linnet, Greenfinch, and Redpoll. If any Bullfinches are picked out for Hybrid breeding, do not let them mix with any of their own opposite sex, as an attachment may be formed, and in an instant the hopes of an owner would be dashed to the ground.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 55.)

TO revert to the training, I said my yearling bird was, if necessary, a preliminary tutor; circumstances compel this, the final is to be given by an old bird now moulting that sings a similar style of song, excepting that where the yearling cock descends on the water roll to a straight toned water roll, the old cock turns it into a water Glucke, then on to a set of flutes. Should these flutes be good the bird will end its song, but on the other hand, if they are delivered high or sharp, the song drops afterwards into a deep-bubbling-water-tour, often given in two ways, to turn and finish with a good set of flutes.

Small Faults Not Fatal.

If the reader wonders why I have described this old bird's song, he will now understand that there is something to be learned from it, because from an exhibitor's point of view the song is of more value when the bird sings its faulty flute notes. During its show career, and under several judges, it has been penalised one point for this fault, and been awarded two, or three, points for the D.B.W.T.; so in either case after the penalty had been deducted the bird had one or two points more to its credit than would have been the case did he not sing the faulty notes. This bird also has a well connected delivery, and usually sings its tours in a regular order, and it goes to prove my contention of a well-connected singer when I say that this bird has only been out of the money prizes once in a show career extending over two years.

Although I do not like faulty tours, there seem extenuating circumstances in some instances that would make it appear to be unwise were we to endeavour to breed or train out a small fault. This method of using a preliminary tutor may appear to

be contrary to the usual principles of training, but the fact should not be lost sight of that both birds sing a somewhat similar style of song, and young birds will endeavour to copy the song of the second tutor when the first is removed. Further, the pupils are the offspring of both tutors, and the rudimental song is learned from the yearling. I do not advocate a tutor that sings a different style of song to that bred in the youngsters, neither do I advocate the use of two tutors conjointly that have different styles of song, for this would have the tendency to set up a confusion of ideas; one youngster might follow the song of one tutor, another the song of the second tutor, while again others probably would flounder between the two.

Not Excellent all at Once.

Neither will tuition, however good, make fine singers of some young birds, nor the mating of the stock birds always produce such in the first cross. Some insist on taking the wrong turning, headstrong, voice-strong, and notwithstanding their "blue blood" and good tutor, tend to mar rather than to uphold the reputation of their breeding room. These degenerate singers have sometimes been described as untrained singers; from one point of view they are untrained; they cannot be trained to sing a song of sufficient merit to class them among the trained singers. They will bring one tour too prolonged, another too short, singing a few tours intermingled with call notes, or other ugly interjections, or in a thin toned voice, giving one the impression that the birds are lacking in stamina, will skip from one of the lowest

tours to the highest one it is possible for them to bring, prolonging it and completing the song with another faulty tour. Other kinds of "ragtime" deliveries could be indicated, but this will be sufficient to show what a good singer should not do.

The above remark, "Always produce in the first cross," may need a little explanation. In all cases the quality of the youngsters' song will be gradient, the worst I have just explained, others will be of sufficient merit to warrant their use as stock birds, while, again, others may be fit to compete at the shows. Again, cases will crop up in some matings, where the offspring on the whole are not such capable singers as might reasonably be expected; and where tuition has been properly given by a suitable schoolmaster, one explanation remains, the blood of the parents has not "blended," or "hit."

How to Perpetuate the Best.

I would advise that young hens produced from such matings should in the following year be mated to their sire, and should his capabilities as a singer be of sufficient merit he should be used as a tutor for the young cocks produced from these matings. After taking into consideration that inferior specimens will always be cropping up, this preponderance of the cock's blood in the youngsters should enable them to produce the song qualities of their sire.

We proceed with the training by removing the young cocks from the breeding room, in order that they shall not be subjected to the baneful influence of faulty singing stock cocks, or it may be a singing hen. Many of the latter are capable of producing a good tour, or roll, but there are few that do not mar it by singing something objectionable.

Another stage in the training is taken when we place the youngsters under the tuition of a schoolmaster. Many inexperienced fanciers treat the matter of a schoolmaster very lightly, and from the number

of applications received for schoolmasters this may be an opportune time to throw some light on the dark path many appear to be travelling. The following is characteristic of these inquiries for a tutor: "Can you supply me with an inexpensive B.R.C.C. ring schoolmaster, one that would be fit to train my young birds?"

An experienced fancier will in a moment notice the defects in this application, others not so well versed in Roller matters would see nothing wrong in it. In the first place expense is gradient, in accordance with the "depth of one's pocket" and individual temperament. It is stipulated that the schoolmaster should bear the B.R.C.C. ring, for the fact that a bird wears this ring is a guarantee that it has been bred at home, and not in Germany, but it adds no value whatever to the birds' qualities as a singer.

The essential part of the application is: "One fit to train my young birds." There are some fanciers who cannot name all the tours their birds sing, but there should be few—in view of the advancement that the Roller is making—that could not name a few of the tours, and describe whether they are given straight, or rising, or falling. The best of tutors cannot put in all that the breeder has left out in the foundation. I do not mean by this that it is essential for the schoolmaster to sing an exact reproduction of the song that is sung by the parents of the young ones, but to obtain the best results it should be at least somewhat similar.

To be more definite, if you use a tutor that sings a hollow glucke, or water glucke, and neither of these tours are bred in or sung by the parents of the youngsters, the chance is remote of the tutor inducing the youngsters to sing these two tours. Difficulties would arise in the rising and falling hollow roll; the rising and falling (hollow bent, now being uncommon) schockel, also the rising, or rising and falling water roll,

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HOW TO CHEAPEN THE FOOD BILL.

Hints that may be useful to Bird-keepers during the present War crisis.

By G. E. WESTON.

(Continued from page 69.)

A CORRESPONDENT writes that the method I detailed last week of using soaked bread as a colour-feeding medium, reminded him of another old and very successful Canary breeder and exhibitor who used "bread and milk pudding" with remarkably good results for rearing and "weaning" his young Canaries. This particular "old hand" put slices of stale bread, thinly spread with butter, into a pie dish, covered them with sweetened milk, then baked the whole until nicely browned on top. The quantities of milk and bread were regulated so that the result was a jellified mass when cold, and pieces of this were served to the birds.

A Very Useful "Pudding."

The above was first tried as a sort of intermediate food for young birds, i.e., from the time they commenced to peck until they could safely be said to be on hard seed. Proving such a great success, it was adopted as the chief food for the hens when breeding, and turned out so thoroughly satisfactory that, to use the words of my correspondent, "There was one more 'no-egger' besides yourself in the world; and I have made a third." The food keeps well (better by far than ordinary bread and milk), the hens feed well, practically without exception, and the young thrive well and grow into splendid birds.

Now, could any breeder wish himself better things? And this goes to prove my words of last week that it is not necessary to use hard-boiled eggs (expensive items to many, and troublesome) to successfully breed Canaries. The butter could be omitted—though I consider its use sound from the dietetic point of view—or "melt butter" (margarine) substituted; condensed milk could replace the new milk, if necessary, and, of course, would not need sweetening; while an egg or two could be beaten up and cooked in the "pudding" by those whose fancy leans that way.

Something for Nothing.

To turn to another side of our hobby, keepers of insectivorous birds can at this time of the year provide live food without the outlay of a penny-piece, thus postponing the mealworm-bill until late autumn, and cutting down expenditure in ants' cocoons (unless, that is, they can gather their own supply of ants' eggs" fresh from the nest). The familiar "blue-bottle" fly helps us to this economy. The modus operandi is as follows:

Select any old lid-less tin or box that is free from holes; a nice size is about 10 to 12 ins. long, by 6 to 9 wide, and 4 to 6 deep. Put at the bottom a 2 to 3 in. layer of dry river sand (or silver sand) or even dry garden mould will do; or bran is cheap, and this is about the best of all. On top of this lay the body of a dead bird—two if you like—or a piece of rough meat.

Thus prepared, place the box in a corner of the garden or yard, or of an out-house, or in any available disused attic or room where it will not be a nuisance and the window can be left open, or on a roof. Other likely spots will no doubt occur to my readers, the point to observe being that the "blue-bottles" must have access to the box. The latter will soon "blow" the carrion, and their eggs develop into squirming and oft-times smelly tit-bits beloved of soft-bills and known as gentles.

Cremation Superseded.

The gentles quickly develop, and in number simply surprising. I recently found a young Blackbird dead in my garden, and the quantity of gentles its body has provided me with is hardly believable. They leave the body (the skeleton is "picked" quite clean) and enter the sand (or bran, or dry earth, etc.) in the bottom of the box from which they can readily be picked. Or the box can be put direct into an aviary and the "picking" be left to the birds.

It may be thought that this method of breeding gentles is open to objection on account of the "stink." But I have followed it for a considerable number of years and can truthfully say that I have not found it so. The small birds, or pieces of meat, I use are gone (eaten) almost before they have time to become putrid; of course, if one used large birds, etc., the case would be different.

Putting my boxes out in the garden, I have to guard against the appetite of cats, rats, etc., and against heavy rain. A piece of small mesh wire-netting bent in semi-circular

Correspondence.

How and Where to Set Flue Nets.

SIR,—Would any of your readers kindly tell me how and where to set flue nets? Any information respecting the same would be thankfully received.

NOVICE.

The Cock Chaffinch as a Muler.

SIR,—I should much like to hear that this bird has been used extensively this year as a Hybrid producer. I believe that it was used last year successfully, but that the young bird has since died, so we shall not be able to learn more about this case, but I hope others will have been stimulated to try the cross, so that we may see a good living specimen on the slow bench. The hen Chaffinch has done her share and made a name with the Bramblefinch. Perhaps the gentleman who was so successful with the cock Chaffinch will give us more particulars as to how he fed it, and what eggs were fertile. Some years ago I tried every way I could think of every means suggested to me to get this bird to breed with a Canary. I hand-reared nest after nest, so as to get good, steady cocks, and during the breeding season I gave them also kinds of wild seeds and insects. I was advised by some to give them a stimulant in their water, which I did by giving them very weak solutions of both whisky and gin, as I then thought this must bring them forward for pairing. Many a time I thought copulation had taken place, but after the eggs had been set upon I found they were clear. The late Dr. Greene, I believe, offered anyone £5 in three days (the eighties) for a Chaffinch-Canary cross, as he declared it was impossible. I never could quite see it in that light, and don't now; I still believe it can be done, and that is why I hope others have been trying; it will, I hope, yet be done if only with a novice, as they generally get the best of luck in the fascinating hobby of Hybrid breeding. Years ago it was always drilled into me that Chaffinches paired in the air—so it was not likely they would pair in a cage. The success with hen Chaffinches has knocked that delusion on the head.

HYBRID.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Broome. Suppose for the sake of argument I admit that I was put out because I was not elected for an office, Why? Simply because there were certain members elected for office that had not the slightest interest in the Society as regards finance and progress, while I had proved myself interested and willing to work hard. His statement about me saying to different members that they were no good to the Society is not correct, but I admit telling one only. Mr. Broome accused me of the same thing at the last meeting I attended. I offered to give 10s. to the Society if they could prove that I said it to more than one, and my challenge was not taken up. In the face of this he still accuses me; how is this for fair play, "Justice"? His remark regarding having a bit of fun at my expense re judging, was brought to me by two members who said it was the talk of certain officials, but I am quite aware that Mr. Broome was not one of them. What occurred between me and a certain member outside the meeting was the cause of my being expelled, not, as Mr. Broome states, "nothing to do with the Society." His own words were that either he or I should finish, and, not being one of the clique, I had to exit. No, Mr. Broome, I have no wish to hold the reins of any Society, but you admitted to me that I was deserving of an office.

A. E. MOULE.

SIR,—In Mr. Moule's letter in CAGE BIRDS of Aug. 15 he accuses one member of the deputation that was to wait upon him with not having enough courage to see him; as a matter of fact, the said member was annoyed because we went without him, and told us about it, but the night we waited upon Mr. Moule was very wet, and, the said member

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fashion and either securely nailed to the wall or to a rough framework, covers the former contingency, and a piece of tin, or board, fixed at the top keeps out the rain.

Should the gentles be not properly "scoured" (clean)—i.e., be smelly and have dark streaks in them—put them for a few days in a glass jar or pickle jar partly filled with sand or bran, and they will be fit for use. For use with very small birds they can be killed by scalding (steam is best) before being fed to them.

In my next I will discuss the possibility of economising in the use of that excellent, but dear, food, canary seed.

(To be continued.)

living a long way off, we went without him. I see Mr. M. still keeps on about the clique. Why does he not say through the press what he means by the clique? If he remembers when he was asked by the deputation what he meant by it, he said he did not mean to say there was anything underhanded going on, only a certain member was always about town with another member, and so and so with another. So much for the clique. I see that he says what he had to say he generally kept till last, and also that he is not guilty of ridiculing the chairman. Now, Mr. M., let me draw your attention to one meeting only. Do you remember we were going to have a question meeting, and when the meeting had opened did you not get up and charge certain members with something you had been told, and when asked by the writer if you could prove it, your answer was No? Did not the chairman many times ask you to sit down? Did not the chairman close the meeting and leave the room? What became of the questions that night? Mr. Moule, if, as you state, you keep yours till the last, and all through something which you said you could not prove, surely your memory is not so bad that when you send to the press you forget these things? If you write again, let us have facts, and then we shall understand one another. Now, Mr. Moule, I have written this without any malice towards you, and I challenge you to refute one sentence of the above truthfully.

WM. COOPER.

Cage Bird Shows and the War.

Why Not Look Upon the Bright Side?

SIR,—Engrossed as our people are in the present state of war, it is temporarily difficult to get them to pay any heed to the ordinary affairs of life. When we meet brother fanciers the war is the topic of conversation, and our birds are forgotten for the present. I shall expect to hear that many fanciers have been compelled to leave their birds, and, much worse, their homes and families in answer to the Nation's call to arms, and I shall not be at all surprised to learn that some of our shows are cancelled during the coming season. Indeed, I have already heard of secretaries having summoned their committees to discuss the situation, and to consider the advisability or otherwise of holding a show. And here I would like to offer a word of advice to secretaries and committees. Do not be too hasty in deciding to cancel your show. Though the country is not likely to return to its normal state for some considerable time, yet we should remember that the present disorganisation of the railways is due chiefly to the rapid mobilisation of the Army and Navy, and when this has been accomplished I see no reason why our railway traffic shall not return to its normal conditions. At any rate let us wait and see, and not rush into a hasty decision which we may afterwards regret.

I would also suggest to fanciers that they should continue to colour feed and prepare their birds for the autumn shows in the usual way, except that they should practice economy, where necessary, on the lines suggested by Mr. Weston in last week's issue of CAGE BIRDS, which suggestions I am glad to see are to be continued, as no doubt many will find them useful in these times of stress. Besides, as Mr. Weston has already explained, we shall find a much readier sale, and obtain better prices when the need arises, if our birds are colour-fed and in good condition.

Barnstaple.

F. COLLINS.

In-breeding and Chance as Producers of Light Mules.

SIR,—Has in-breeding been the cause of present-day splendid specimens of birds (Canaries and Hybrids)? Years ago, long before any birdy papers reached the country districts or were even published, many, like myself, had by chance taken birds up as a pleasure and hobby. I heard of several varieties of Canaries that I had not got; for instance, one was the "turn Crest." I wondered what that was. It was explained to me as a Canary with a crown, or crest, on its head. I was told, too, that the owner was going to pair it with its sister. Oh, how I did laugh at this, as I always was given to understand that relations paired would produce cripples! At that time, of course, the crest on a Canary was well advanced—to those in the know, but not to country people. On going to a farm to see a friend who had some choice cattle, he related to me the breeding of some (they were Shorthorns). He said that to keep the blood pure they had inbred them. I began to think that if it would do with cattle surely it would do with birds, and I followed it out with my own birds, and must say I have had good results. In-breeding, with sense and discretion, is the

great secret of success at the present time with each variety, and especially so with Mule and Hybrid breeding. There is nothing like getting the blood set; then you can introduce any other blood to attain any particular object you are aiming for. At the same time, when in-breeding only the strongest and fittest of the birds must be used. Yet any weaklings on the hen Canary side might be used for Mules—i.e., light Mule-breeding. As an example, when in-breeding with Canaries for several generations I paired some to a Goldfinch, and produced some excellent young Mules, nearly clear. This was my first start in Mule breeding, when I had to "feel in the dark" in birdy matters. How things have changed since CAGE BIRDS has been published. What have I not paid for secrets (so called) in birdy matters which at the present time we know amount to nothing at all. Even now, with all our knowledge, a great many of our best Mules and Hybrids are really bred by chance, and by novices who put pairs together and trust to luck.

AN INTERESTED BREEDER.

How Did Birds Originate?

SIR,—No longer need we wrestle with the "Origin of Species," the mutation theory, the segregating or non-segregating factors of Mendel, or any other theories of the scientists, past or present. For, behold, a new mentor has arisen! One who has had the unparalleled advantage of having "discussed this subject before," and who, with an assurance that should immediately convert all doubting Thomases, "has no hesitation" in pointing out to us the right path to follow.

Listen, therefore, all of ye, to the prophet of Beith. Let me remind anyone who may dare to question this authority, that Mr. Craig has "proved over and over again" that he is "streets ahead" of his puny opponents. It would have been somewhat better to have said "years ahead," as then we could have assigned the date of his dogma to a time perhaps contemporaneous with that of his authorities; somewhere about B.C. 1000 or 2000, shall we say? Darwin, Wallace, Mendel, de Vries, Lamarck, even those as far "ahead" as Aristotle, all and sundry, all stand confounded. No need for further correspondence, Mr. Editor; the controversy is at an end; Mr. Craig has spoken; 'nuff said.

H. PANTON.

SIR,—Mr. Watson surely does not think a bat is a bird? I thought that idea was long dead except amongst those most ignorant of Nature. Also, why on earth is an Owl not a true bird? Many birds have hairlike feathers, but none possess fur or hair. Mr. Johnson displays surprising ignorance if he thinks moths have feathers like birds! The microscope knocks that into pieces, and whatever Mr. Johnson thinks, any scientist will tell you that any living animal possessing feathers is a bird. I say the man in the street is capable of thinking for himself, but not capable, without scientific training, of arguing against years of scientific knowledge. Mr. Johnson, no doubt, thinks otherwise. Man has not been in an upright pose long enough for any protection to have formed, but this very fact shows his ancestry. We have much to complain of in our digestive organs. Are any dyspeptic animals found like those people who suffer in the human race? Very few animals suffer from indigestion; very few people are ignorant of it.

R. MAXWELL SAVAGE.

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The Shows.

CROYDON F.S.

Young Stock Show July 29, St. Michael's Hall. Mr. H. Norman judged. NOR. YELL. (2): 1, Gunnell; 2, Soper. BUFF (10): 1, Soper; 2, Harvey. YORK. YELL. (10): 1, spl., vhc, Mudd; 2, Soper; 3, Last; hc, Trulove. BUFF (9): 1, 2, hc, Mudd; 3, Soper; vhc, Last. BORD., YELL. (5): 1, 2, 3, spl., Last. BUFF (5): 1, 3, vhc, Last; 2, hc, Rev. Soames.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting and Table Show, Aug. 5. Mr. W. P. Snaith in the chair. The notice of motion was left over until our next meeting, to allow Mr. Espie to appear. Awards of table show: CHAMPION, YELL.: 1, 2, W. Smith. BUFF: 1, Smith. GR.: 1, 2, Smith. CINN.: 1, 2, Smith. NOV., YELL.: 1, 3, Snaith; 2, 4, T. Smith. BUFF: 1, 2, T. Smith; 3, Snaith; 4, Rinder. GR.: 1, Rinder. CINN.: 1, 2, Snaith. A hearty vote of thanks to the two judges, Mr. T. Robson and Mr. A. Montgomery, brought the meeting to an end.—M. C. Potts.

Huddersfield O.S.

Table Show, Aug. 17, Headquarters. There was only a poor turn out of birds, 19, all Yorkshires, being staged. Mr. C. Morrison, Brighouse, judged. CL. YELL. BUFF (10): 1, Whitehead; 2, c, Seedhouse; 3, Sykes; vhc, Cawtheray and Son; hc, Rhodes. TKB. OF MKD. (5): 1, hc, Sykes; 2, Cawtheray and Son; 3, vhc, Rhodes. CIN. MKD. (4): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Rhodes. Principle points: Champions, 1, S. and A. Radley, 50 points; 2, Lawford and Son, 42; 3, A. Morris, 37; 4, W. S. Skinn, 23. Novices, 1, Cawtheray and Son, 110; 2, R. Rhodes, 103; 3, F. Sykes, 78; 4, W. Sykes, 45; 5, M. Radley, 44.—A. Lawford, Sec.

PENMAENMAWR.

Annual Horticultural and Cage Bird Show, Aug. 12. Entries were very fair; and quality was of a high standard. Mr. W. Nolan had quite a field day, his well-known Waxwing being awarded special for best bird. Mr. R. J. Lewis and Mr. T. R. Bailey were capable secretaries. The show was well patronized. We think the Committee would be well advised to consider a few additional classes and advertise the show for the benefit of the Society and fanciers in general. Mr. R. W. Roberts judged and gave satisfaction.

YORK., YELL.: 1, W. Nolan, wing tkd., good length and shape, slim and leggy, grand col., 1st Beaumaris; 2, L. R. Nolan, cl. hen, good length and pose, grand flights and tail, nice cond.; 3, J. C. Jones, cl., good length, upstanding, starting moult; res, Johnson; vhc, hc, c, J. Jones. CAN. 1914: 1, 3, W. Nolan, neck-mkd, buff, good length, head, carr., pos. and outline, very promising, 3rd cinn. mkd. Bord., good type and qual.; 2, L. R. Nolan, cl. yell., nice qual. and pos., feathered like wax, splendid cond.; res, vhc, hc, J. Jones. BRIT.: 1, spl., W. Nolan, Waxwing, immense size and qual., good crest, distinct markings, good wax and tips, excellent cond., very deserving win; 2, L. R. Nolan, Goldf., good size, square blaze, in good order, very promising; 3, Thomas, Goldf., good size and blaze. LOCAL: 1, 2, J. Jones.

LARKHALL C.B.A.

F.F. show Y.M. halls, Aug. 8. The show was a great success, although members have not been blessed with a good breeding season. Borders were a nice lot, Norwich predominated in point of quality, several really classical birds being staged. Yorkshires, although a new variety for our members, seemed to be the right sort. The show was well attended. Mr. Robert Houston, Hamilton, judged very satisfactorily.

YELL. BORD.: 1, Gibb, cl. yell., in grand cond.; 2, Adams, cinn. mark, seemed a little upset; 3, Rundell, nice cl. yell., in moult; 4, Allan; 5, Pollock; 6, McGhie. BUFF: 1, Allan, nice Border, just a bit weak at neck; 2, Campbell, fine cond.; 3, Marley, cl., nice stamp, our fancy; 4, Kennedy; 5, Marley; 6, Gibb. YELL. NOR.: 1, Perrie, tkd. yell., good feather; 2, Rundell, heavy in moult, should finish well; 3, Kennedy, beauty in good bloom; 4, Allan; 5, McEwan; 6, McGregor. BUFF: 1, Allan, short colby one, correct type, outstanding bird; 2, Rundell, good one, heavy in moult; 3, Rundell; 4, Kennedy; 5, Perrin; 6, Allan. YORK.: 1, Marley, ideal yell., good cond.; 2, (name omitted Ed.), very stylish buff, fails in head. A.O.V.: 1, Allan, nice buff cinn. MULE: 1, Thomson, Yell.-Greenie, grand col.; 2, Kennedy, Yell.-Goldie, good size and col., should moult well; 3, Thomson, buff Green.—A. Thomson, Sec.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

What is the Most General Sliding Scale?

SIR,—I would be glad if any of the readers of our most valued paper, CAGE BIRDS, could enlighten me as to how the various sliding scales are arranged by show committees. They seem to have many ways, and details of the one mostly in vogue would be appreciated by NOVICE.

Advice on the Construction of Cage Racks.

See Illustration on page 79.

SIR,—Seeing in our paper, CAGE BIRDS, that advice is wanted on the making of cage racks which will stand by themselves away from the wall, and obviate damage to the wall paper, I am sending you a sketch of a rack which answers well. My own is 8ft. 3ins. long, and is made of two-inch batten 3/4 in. thick. It will stand alone anywhere, but if four pieces of battening be fixed to the four short uprights as shown in the sketch these may be screwed to the floor and the rack will be perfectly rigid.

J. LOVEDAY.

Novice Classes Wanted at Liverpool.

SIR,—Now that the show season will soon be with us I would like to suggest to the worthy secretaries of the Liverpool O.S. the desirability of putting on more novice classes at their open show. There are no novice classes for unflighted birds, and it is rather unfair that we novices should have to show our young birds against the champions, or keep them at home (which is not good for the show). I know for a fact the novice classes at this show are the best filled of any, about 36 in a class. I am now writing of Yorkshires. I hope the secretaries will take this suggestion in the spirit in which it is meant. The unsettled state of affairs in England will somewhat diminish the long distance entries at shows, and I think by having more novice classes the shows will balance things by more entries from local breeders. I would like to hear what Liverpool novices think of the suggestion.

GEO. RAWSTHORNE.

Judging Norwich Plainheads to the Standard.

SIR,—I really don't see why your two correspondents should have engaged themselves in an impassioned harangue over the type of Norwich Plainheads which were exhibited at a first feather show. If "Norwich Standard" is a breeder of long standing, and has done much exhibiting, he must know that as a rule the birds which win at nest feather shows are not the ones to win when moulted. Of course, there are exceptions, but I am speaking generally. Young Norwich are like colts, they sometimes develop out of all recognition; and the judges at nest feather shows are bound to give the prizes to those which are the best on the day in preference to a potential winner. I don't think "Norwich Standard" need trouble much about the tendency of present day Norwich, nor about the ideal. It is difficult to transfer the ideal from paper into one's mind, especially as the ideal in the year book of the N.P.C. is not printed life size.

While the ideal has not been bred yet, "Norwich Standard" will find some of the best Norwich in England in the Manchester district. Let him wait until the M. and N.C.O.S. show in October, and then give us his opinion on the winners there. I rather think he will be satisfied with the progress we are making towards the ideal—an ideal that combines the qualities of size and type. Now, I should say he is parsing through that phase which we all have passed through, a phase in which our minds seem to grip an ideal of the medium type, an ideal that it is possible to breed in every nest.

Quality itself is the easiest point to secure; type alone can be bred in dozens; size also is comparatively easy to get; head points are more difficult. But to get all four component parts into one specimen is almost as hard as to get gold from sea water, and when accomplished the breeder begins to feel as if there is still some balm in Gilead. That is why size, combined with quality, is looked upon with approval by judges.

"Norwich Standard" finishes his letter with an appeal to the N.P.C. to take the matter up. The N.P.C. committee is composed of fanciers who know the most difficult points to breed in a Norwich, and they have set up a standard accordingly. In any case, the N.P.C. committee are impervious to correspondence written over a "nom-de-plume."

SUB ROSA.

Stuck in the Moult, and the way out.

SIR,—I have at times received many useful hints from our most useful paper, CAGE BIRDS, so for the interest of the Fancy I trust you will give the following space. Take one pennyworth each of sweet nitre and saffron; boil saffron in one pint of water down to a gill, and when cool add two tablespoonfuls of rum. Give a teaspoonful twice a week in drinking water; this will set any kind of a bird off again.

F. STOTHARD.

Secretary of the Southern Border F.C. Leaves for the Front.

SIR,—I am afraid by the way the sub-Editor censored my letter, which appeared under the heading of "S.B.F.C. Secretary Leaves for the Front," he has got the war fever very badly, and imagines he also is at the front censoring the letters for home. By altering certain words he has entirely altered the purport of the letter, and made it appear as if it was I who had gone to the front, whereas I wrote to say it was my brother, F. W. Burton, secretary of the S.B.F.C., who had gone, and on whose behalf I wrote to explain to members of the S.B.F.C. the reason for the delay in answering letters, etc. In spite of what the sub-Editor says, it is obviously impossible, if I was at the front, I could answer letters addressed to me at 126, Lee-road, or call a meeting of the members, and I should therefore take it as a favour if you would make it clear in your next issue that any correspondence relating to the S.B.F.C. addressed to Geo. Burton, 126, Lee road, Lee Green, will be immediately dealt with. I am very sorry the alterations were made, and I think this is the first time the blue pencil has been used in any of my correspondence to good old CAGE BIRDS.

GEO. BURTON.

[This mistake unfortunately occurred through Mr. Geo. Burton referring to F. W. Burton as secretary, while he himself was described as a secretary on the printed heading of the memo. upon which the communication was written, and also because in the handwriting the "Geo." of the one resembles curiously the F.W. of the other. At the same time, we regret the error, and any inconvenience caused thereby.—Editor CAGE BIRDS.]

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Woodcock Nesting in the Isle of Man.

SIR,—I would like to know if any of your readers have known of a Woodcock nesting in the British Isles, as there was one found in Glen Roy, Sonan, Isle of Man, this season. It was found on July 20, and visited daily till the 25th, when the four young ones hatched out and left the nest the same day. I have seen the shells of the eggs.

W. BODDAN.

[Although the Woodcock is a migratory bird, many remain with us all the year round, and there are many records of its breeding in England and Scotland.—Editor.]

A Bad Time for the Red Mite.

SIR,—Many are the ways and means of exterminating red mite, but the following will kill any kind of insect. Of course, the birds must not be left in the cages during the process, but one application will be sufficient, no matter how strong a hold the mites have got. You may experience a little difficulty in obtaining it, but if you are prepared to sign for it, there will be no particular trouble; the cost is about one shilling. Spirit of turpentine, 4 ozs.; alcohol, 4 ozs.; corrosive sublimate, 1 oz.; gum camphor, 1 oz. Bottle, shake well before use, and apply sparingly with a brush.

F. S.

"A Goldfinch Fertilises Thirty-seven Eggs."

Forty-six the Record this Week.

SIR,—I am sending you a list of Goldfinch-Canary Mules which I reared from four hen Canaries and a Goldfinch, which I picked out of about two dozen caught by myself in Blacklion, Co. Cavan, in 1911. All the hens are splashed birds, and all the young Mules are dark. The Goldfinch was never with any hen more than three days, and in some cases he had only a day.

No. 1 hen: 4 eggs in January, unfertile; 5 in April, all reared; 4 in May, all reared; 4 in June, 3 reared; 4 on July 15, hen still with these. No. 2 hen: 2 in April, 1 died; 3 in May, 1 dead in shell, 1 died at three weeks; July, 2 reared. No. 3 hen: June, 4, young, all died; hen refused to feed; July, 3 reared. No. 4 hen: July, 2 young; Aug., 2 young, still in nest. Totals: 35 fertile eggs, 27 young reared, 8 dead.

JAS. MORRISON.

SIR,—In reply to the enquiry of F. Groom in CAGE BIRDS of Aug. 8, I write to say that I put a Goldfinch and Bullfinch together this season, and the Bullfinch has laid 21 eggs. I have three young two weeks old. The same Finch has been running with five Canaries, and he has fertilised 43 eggs from them; that makes 46, and by the look of him he would like to be fighting for England at present.

JOSEPH POTTER.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

LEEDS.

Quality singing contests, Old Bird House, Skimmers' Arms, Buslingthorpe, Aug. 16. 1, Binns; 2, Blackburn; 3, Ward. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton, J. Grainger.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS ALBION.

Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Aug. 16; 14 birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, W. Sissons; 2, Richardson; 3, Sissons. Judges, Stead and Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Club Reports.

WAKEFIELD ROLLER C.C.

Meeting Aug. 10; Mr. Hesling presided over an average attendance. After a long discussion it was decided, owing to the national crisis, to abandon the annual show for 1914.—H. Roebuck, Hon. Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting Aug. 8, Mr. R. Hutchinson chair. There was a good turn up of members, and we had a good meeting. Decided to have a few open Canary classes at annual show. Don't forget to turn up when next meeting is called and discuss the matter.—W. Thompson, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting Aug. 15, with a good turn out of members. Schedule arranged for annual show with 41 classes, including 3 novice classes, 1 in each Canary section. New members made: Messrs. W. Lindsay, R. Bewick, W. McNay, J. Turnbull.—C. Davison, Sec.

SWINDON F. AND F.A.

Special meeting Central Hotel, Regent-st., Aug. 12. Present: Messrs. H. R. Halliday (chair), A. Ireland, T. Wilkins, J. Hutchings, E. Ireland, W. Greenwood, J. Tanner, L. Lewis, A. C. Mockridge, W. Judd, J. Tarrant, D. Hoare, E. Wallington, T. Rivers, I. Bennett, E. Jefferies and W. J. Moran. Decided, as all the halls in the town were engaged by the Government, that we postpone indefinitely our annual show, and cancel our monthly meetings for the present.—W. J. Moran, Sec.

WELSH C.B.C.

General meeting, Ship and Bell, Merthyr, Aug. 17, Mr. G. T. Jones presiding. Present, Messrs. G. T. Jones, G. L. Harber, E. Powell, F. H. Cook, J. H. Jones, and A. E. Brown. Mr. J. Llewellyn, of Tredegar, was made a member. Patronage given to the following societies: Cardiff, Tredegar, Upper Rhondda, and Nantrebach. Upon a suggestion of running the Club show in connection with Tredegar open show, Mr. Powell was instructed to place this matter before the Tredegar Society, and ascertain terms, etc., and submit same to the Sec. for the Committee to deal with. Several members have not yet paid their subs., and I should like to receive them without further delay, to enable me to make a report concerning the running of the Club show, and also for the making up of a financial statement, and I appeal to all in arrears to give me their kind assistance by sending sub. early. I shall also be pleased to enrol new members; sub. 3s. per ann.—A. E. Brown, 66, Clare Street, Merthyr.

ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.

Experiences During the Breeding Season.

Meeting Aug. 12, Station Cafe, Mr. T. Harrison presiding. Three 10-minute papers were given on "Novice Experiences During Breeding Season," by Messrs. Leah, Broadbent, and Heatley, and were extremely interesting and occasionally amusing. No. 1 paper stated how the novice, having three British birds, and hearing of a proposed cage birds society to be formed in the district, decided to become a member. Then purchasing two supposed hen Canaries, he decided to try his fortune at breeding some Mules. Soon these supposed hens showed signs of house-keeping, and on being supplied with nesting material, set about business in good style; result, three fertile eggs, all Canaries, much to our novice's surprise, but the hen failing to feed them they died in two or three days. The hen Canary was then mated with a Linnet; result, three more eggs, one only being fertile. This young Mule at the end of three weeks surprised its owner by its power of flight, in escaping through the window. Two more nests of Mules were obtained, three and two nestlings being the result, which have since died, leaving our friend with hopes for better luck next season, and still determined to succeed. No. 2 paper: This novice fancier is the possessor of an aviary, and was more successful. He wished to breed some Hybrids as well as Mules and Canaries, and has succeeded in rearing four very fine Siskin-Redpoll Hybrids from the first nest, and at the end of three weeks, the hen going to nest again, produced six eggs, which were all fertile, only one of these being reared; and this by a Canary hen. Four Linnet eggs placed with a Canary hen resulted in four fine nestlings, but from two eggs of the Cirl Bunting he was not so fortunate, the eggs being punctured. From pairs of Goldfinch-Bullfinch and Chaffinch-Canary, he had no result, eggs being clear; in two cases the eggs were eaten. Our friend has also been troubled with mice; however, he has ended the season with a total of 25 nestlings—Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, and British, and attributes some success to the use of rain water for drinking and bathing, and to not starting too early in breeding. No. 3 paper

Questions and Answers.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

IS SEA-SAND SUITABLE? (S. A. M. James).—If it is collected from a clean and unpolluted section of beach, sea-sand is a very suitable and beneficial covering for the cage floors at all times, not only during the moult. When it can be readily procured it may always be used in preference to ordinary sand.

BORDERS AND COLOUR BREEDING (F. E. H.).—(1) The parental instinct varies more or less in every breed, but, taken as a whole, the Border Fancy is an excellent parent and will rear its own young without the slightest trouble or assistance. (2) Although you wish to breed clears I would not advise you to begin with two quite clear birds. This method would certainly give you the greatest possible number of clears in the young, but the natural depth of tone of the colour would be very apt to deteriorate, and the clears become faded and washy in colour. It would be much better to have one clear and the other a slightly ticked, or a bird with light eye-marks only. From such a pair you should get a very nice proportion of clear birds, and the rest more or less ticked, and probably none would be very much variegated. A certain amount of the green, or dark, blood is a very important factor in keeping up a rich, deep tone of colour in the clears, though it is not essential to have the dark blood so strong that the great majority of the young come ticked or more or less heavily variegated.

BOWEL TROUBLE. (A Reader of "C.B." T. T. G.).—I suspect there is some internal derangement or ovarian disease which is the real cause of the swelling around the vent, but it is impossible to dogmatise on this point without seeing the swelling. If it is a valuable bird your best course would be to show it to a veterinary surgeon for his advice. In any case I very much doubt the bird being of any further use for breeding. As she is now on colour food treatment is somewhat hampered. You may, however, try the following course for a month or so, and

BREEDING SEASON EXPERIENCES—Continued.

stated the writer had had very good results from the first round, but, being a novice, had not obtained what was possible from the following rounds; from experience gained he would be better prepared next season. He had 29 nestlings (Canaries) from four pairs of birds; 19 were alive and doing well. He had obtained the best results from egg and bread as against any other soft food, and had also paid great attention to cleanliness. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the three members for their very interesting accounts. Next meeting Wednesday, Aug. 26, Station Cafe. Paper on Green and Cinnamon Borders by Mr. Middleton; a good attendance is requested.—Chas. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

then report result, when I will advise you further if necessary. Continue your present dietary, except that you should cut out all hemp, groats, crushed oats, or oatmeal that it may contain. Give a half-ripe plantain stalk daily, or, when this is not available, a spray of watercress. In the drinking-water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and in the next week dissolve in the water a crystal of sulphate of soda as above, a crystal of sulphate of iron half as big, and add six drops of diluted sulphuric acid every second day. In the third and fourth weeks repeat this in the same order. Do not interfere with the swelling in any way.

CLAW HANGS LIMP (S. D. C.).—If only the claw is affected—that is, the hard, horny part at the tip of the toe—it has probably been torn out at the base by being caught and held fast in a wire or something and the bird struggling to release itself. In this case the claw will slough off in the course of a week or two, and you cannot do better than avoid all interference and leave the cure to Nature, only keeping the bird as quiet as you can, avoiding all unnecessary fluttering, and see that the perches are well fitting, of a proper size, and firmly and conveniently placed in order to make it as comfortable as possible for the bird to get about on one foot during the interval.

A "BELGIUM" CANARY (R. G. Judd).—I presume you mean a Belgian, which is the name usually employed in this country. It will be quite correct to feed it during the moulting period just as you would a Norwich or any other variety which was not being colour fed. As a staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and in addition give separately about every third day a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats, and on the intervening days give first a morsel of some green salad, and next half a teaspoonful of egg-food or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk well sprinkled with maw seed. Keep bird in a fairly equable and not quite cold temperature, allow it to bathe as freely as it likes, and when it has nearly finished moulting, which you may know by the new quills beginning to show about the head and neck, add 20 drops of chemical food to the drinking water four times a week until the moult is quite complete.

A WHEEZING ROLLER (Hopeful Tyro).—You do not say how long the bird has been affected, and as the medicine you are giving is the best you could possibly use, I rather suspect the case is a chronic one, which may be relieved only, but not cured. Try the

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battley's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/3); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/3); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/3); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Aiding Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

following for a month or so. Keep the bird in a moderate temperature, free from cold draughts, dust, or the fumes of burning lights. For one week give a diet of plain canary seed only with a spray of green-food daily, and every second day add to the water six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence. After this give a staple of two parts canary to one part summer rape, and every third day a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel-nut well sprinkled with maw seed; on the intervening days first a spray of green-food, next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, niger, and teazle. Begin again with the chlorodyne mixture you have been using, and give 20 drops in the water two days in every three for a week, and every second day for two or three weeks afterwards as may seem necessary.

SIT ALL IN A HEAP (Roller).—It seems hardly likely that the birds have quite finished the moult at twelve weeks old. Possibly the moult has been checked by some means. Keep them in a comfortable temperature, give a staple diet of a mixture of two parts canary to one part summer rape, add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence to the water for three consecutive days, and after this treat as you will see advised to "R. G. Judd" in this issue, but before you begin to give the chemical food add six drops of tincture of gentian and four of aromatic sulphuric acid to the water for two days. The seed mixture of which you sent sample is a very good one for occasional use, but it will not be necessary to give this whilst you are using the mixture named in the reply to which I refer you.

FIR AND ACCOMMODATION (T. J.).—

(1) No, I do not think that nibbling the tips of the fir branches will be at all harmful to the birds. If it is objectionable in the way of causing the branches to require too frequent renewal, you might perhaps largely prevent it by giving a bunch of seed-heads of grasses, plantain stalks, and such like things for them to amuse themselves with, which would help to divert their attention from the fir branches. (2) By keeping the floor well sanded, and renewing this as it shows signs of becoming fouled, you could keep from 60 to 65 birds the size of a Norwich Canary in the wired-off space.

UNSTABLE NORWICH COCK. (The Down).—Sorry, but it would be impossible to say with any degree of certainty what is wrong with the bird without seeing it. I rather suspect that the substance you mention is due to some displacement of the internal organs, but it may possibly be nothing more serious than an accumulation of fat. The latter, however, should not affect its ability to get about to such an extent as seems to be the case with the bird now. Try what the following treatment will do for it, and if no better in, say, a month, write again and repeat full particulars, and also say what is the colour and general appearance of the swelling. As staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition to this give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed every third day, and on the intervening days give first a spray of watercress, and next half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, black rape, teazle, and broken groats. In the drinking-water add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn every second day for a week, and follow this with four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight. Keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, and see that its cage is fitted with fairly large perches, which it can grip quite comfortably and strongly, and see that they are firmly fixed so as not to wriggle about as the bird moves about on them.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

TROUBLE WITH BLACKBIRD (A. B. C.).—I am very much inclined to think that your bird is a hen, as you have had it twelve months and it has not sung. Further, you say his beak is partly yellow, whereas a cock bird in spring and summer would have a beak all yellow. You should have no difficulty whatever in deciding the sex at the age it is, for a cock bird is quite black all over; a hen would be dark in colour, and have a mottled throat and breast. If it is a hen I would advise you to give it its liberty before the summer is any further advanced and while food is plentiful. If it is a cock bird, and you decide to keep it, treat it in the following manner. First give it an aperient, as much Glauber Salts as will cover a sixpence dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of water; repeat in a couple of days, then make an entire change in the diet, procure some good insectile food, and mix it with scraped raw carrot, chopped lettuce, or other green-food. Offer fruit of all kinds, bananas, grapes, pears and partly decayed apples, also plenty of insects, many of which you can now collect in the open. As a change, occasionally give a little bread or biscuit soaked in hot milk, or crushed puppy biscuit with some gravy poured over it. If you feed him in this manner all through the moult he should come through quite perfect in plumage. Have your Nutshell booklet on the Blackbird? If not, I would advise you to procure one at once, 2d., post free, from our publisher.

FEEDING BIRDS IN AVIARY (Gold-chaff).—With the birds you intend to put in your aviary, there is not much chance of crossing, although this does take place sometimes when least expected. I think you could do with one more pair, and would suggest that you have Siskins, these are capital aviary birds, and their greenish colouring with black markings, makes a good combination with Goldies and Chaffinches. You should have either separate seed hoppers, or a self filling hopper with two compartments, one for canary seed and the other for summer rape. In addition you will have to supply mixed seeds; more particularly for the Goldies, which cannot, as a rule, go very long without a change of diet. Make a mixture of four parts teazle, two parts hemp, and one of linseed. Give them some of this three times a week, say half a teaspoonful to each bird, and on alternate days the same quantity of wild seed mixture, this you can purchase in packet form; see that it is composed of wild seeds only, not a mixture of canary, rape, hemp, etc., with a little wild seed added. A few sunflowers daily will be useful, particularly during the winter. If all your birds are in good health, they should stand the cold weather during the winter

months, providing you keep them well supplied with food and water. During frosty weather empty the water vessels at sundown and fill with tepid water in the early morning. Keep them well supplied with bundles of seedling wild food, and during the winter a little sprouting seed. An apple suspended from the roof will amuse the more active inmates.

DESIGN FOR AN AVIARY (C.G.H.).—I have carefully looked through your design and I think it should do admirably. I note you have arranged for plenty of light in the inside portion, which is quite correct, if too dark the birds will seldom go into it. I would advise you to always feed them in there; your skylight should be raised an inch or so from the level of the roof, or I fear you will have some difficulty in keeping it water tight. You should make a lobby just inside the door to prevent the escape of birds when entering the aviary for feeding or cleaning purposes. If you do not think of having a lobby I would suggest that you reduce the height of your door and have a window or a strip of wire netting above it, this would enable you to drive the birds away from the door on entering. (2) Give all the fresh air you can so to harden them for removal outside later on, which should be done as each one finishes its moult. If you intend to keep your birds simply for amusement I have nothing to say against your collection, but if you are trying to produce young ones, then you have too many cock Linnets, and I would suggest that you only put in one of them, and have a cock Goldfinch and hen Bullfinch in place of them.

COLOUR FEEDING LARKS (F.W.B.).—The present method of colour-feeding is not considered to be detrimental to the health of captive cage birds. Good quality colour food is simply composed of vegetable matter, and birds eat it without any trouble. If you

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aeries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnets," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

mix it with the bird's soft food, commencing to give it in a mild form, and increasing to full strength, it is certain to have an influence upon his plumage, but so much depends upon the health of the bird while casting its feathers. In addition, dark plumaged birds do not show the effects of the colour food, so much as lighter ones. (2) It makes the bird richer in colour, and therefore somewhat better for exhibition purposes, although size, shape and markings would count for more than colour. (3) The colour food should be given some time before the bird commences to drop into moult, and should be mixed with the soft food, as before mentioned. (4) The Crested Lark is rare in the British Islands, but is somewhat common upon the Continent, particularly in the central and southern parts. (5) At this time of the year you should give your Nightingale as few mealworms as possible, because one is able to collect live ants' eggs, caterpillars, flies, gentles, etc., that are of greater food value, and not so liable to interfere with his digestive arrangements; of course, during the winter months when other live food is unobtainable mealworms should be used, but even then if his soft food is of good quality and he eats it freely, he should not have more than four to six per day.

MULE IN MOULT (W. Berry).—Your bird is evidently moulting, quite a natural occurrence at this time of the year. I am afraid you were hardly careful enough about him, and allowed him to hang in a draught. This prevents the proper growth of the new feathers, and in some cases entirely stops the moult. Keep him in an equable temperature as far as you can, and quite away from strong currents of air, but at the same time let the room be ventilated. If he is not shedding his feathers, partly cover the cage with a thin cloth and put a few shreds of meadow saffron in his drinking water with ten drops of whiskey. His seed should be three parts canary, two parts teazle, one part hemp, half part each of linseed and rape, give sunflower seeds three times a week, also a daily supply of seedling grass, chickweed, shepherd's purse, and ripe plantain. Let him bathe in the morning on fine days. In about a fortnight's time give him a teaspoonful of chemical food in his drinking water (first boiling it, or it will not mix) three days a week. A little hard-boiled egg occasionally will assist him. With this treatment he should get through the moult safely and commence to sing again.

STOCK MIXTURE FOR FINCHES (Finch Lover).—Glad to hear your Goldie is doing well, and hope he will have a good moult. It is a rather difficult matter to give a stock mixture for all Finches as they require different treatment, but you may be able to manage them in the following manner. Make up these mixtures:—No. 1, canary 3 parts, teazle 3 parts, rape and linseed 1 part each. No. 2, hemp 2 parts, niger 2 parts, maw 1 part. Also purchase a good blend of wild seeds which some firms put up in packets. Feed all your birds on No. 1 mixture as a staple food, then give the Goldfinch a spoonful of No. 2 every other day, and on alternate days a spoonful of the wild seeds. The Siskin could have No. 3 twice a week and No. 2 occasionally, but if at all droopy during the moult it could be given fairly often. The Linnet, Redpoll, and Twite would do with the wild seeds twice a week. No. 2 could be given later on if you wanted to get them into song. Of course, you would supply them all with seedling grass, etc., while you are able to get it. A good stock cage for Finches is 14 inches in length, 7 inches deep, and 11 inches high, the front bar should be 3½ inches deep with the two perches fixed from the top of it to the back. I think our British Bird Manual, Part 1, Hardbills, would be particularly useful to you.

THRUSH WITH FITS (Anxious One).—I expect you are not treating your bird properly, but as you do not tell me how you are feeding it I am unable to point out your error. You had better give him as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in two table-spoonsful of water, and repeat in two or three days. Get a pound of good insectile food and feed the bird on this mixed with scraped raw carrot. After a time you can vary it with crushed poppy biscuits (best quality) soaked in gray or hot water. Let him have fruit of all kinds, and all the insects you can procure for him. Fits usually occur through faulty feeding, so if you follow out the above you should soon pull him round. If not, please write again, giving full particulars. I would advise you to get our Nutshell booklet on the Blackbird, 2½d. post free, from this office, or 2d. from your local news-agent, it would assist you greatly in your management.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

HOW TO TELL (F. Lackey).—Not easy to write up, but an acclimatised Grey should be steady (of course an acclimatised bird in bad condition, apart from steadiness, might easily be passed by the tyro as a new arrival), in good feather, and will never be cheap, except in very exceptional circumstances. Its very demeanour bespeaks its acquaintance with cage life and domesticity. New arrivals are more or less wild, have a scared demeanour, and are dull and lifeless when left to themselves—they are feeling the re-action of the voyage and seem to have no joy in life. If you are offered a Grey cheap as an acclimatised bird, you can be sure either it is a comparatively new arrival that has been slightly steadied; it has some vice which makes it objectionable to its owner; the vendor, through stress of circumstances, is compelled to sell at once; or he is quite ignorant about birds. Do not accept the two latter conclusions without proof. A Grey Parrot that is acclimatised and steady, which does not scream, and has begun to speak a few words, has a minimum value of five pounds.

CONSERVATORY AVIARY (Miss D.).—(1) You could keep at least 60 birds comfortably. I would not include Doves, and I think I would leave out Green Singing Finches. To the others you name you could add Zebra Finches, Alario Finches, Cape Canaries, Ruficauda, and Melba Finches, and Diamond Sparrows—all seed-eaters. (2 and 3) Do not have the oil-stoves, it is too risky; the least neglect or carelessness of a maid on any night would mean the loss of your birds and the spoiling of your plants. If you have pots full of grass, growing canary seed, etc., standing about, also bunches of seedling and flowering grass, etc., the plants may not be damaged much, and they are easily renewed. A large bay tree or two would be useful and look well, also one or two eucalyptus plants. You could keep the Yellow-wing Sugar Bird at the temperature you name, but you must not allow the milk-sop to remain frozen for long together in severe periods; I would not put the birds out till next spring. Your method of having the birds in the house in a cage during the winter is practised by many. (4) I have kept Sugar Birds in as low a temperature as you name—36 to 38 degrees. They have not yet been bred in captivity, but success is sure to be attained in the end. (6) See reply to 2 and 3. (7) Not if the cages are kept below the level of the gas-lights. (8) Any local builder would let you have some old mortar rubbish from time to time. (9) I think you'll be wise not to include the Green Singing Finches.

WHY DID THEY DIE? (Gram).—You give me no details as to what kind of quarters they are kept in, whether in a cage, indoor or outdoor aviary. Either the respective pairs quarrelled and the young got thrown out in the scurmage, or injured while in the nest, or the trouble may have been that from the beginning they were deficient in some respect. Your diet is quite satisfactory, but in future cut all the stalk out of the lettuce leaves before supplying to the birds. Have you only two husks hung up? If so, put up another two at least, four would be better, then there will be no quarrelling for quarters for the second brood. It is always best in such cases to send one of the bodies for post mortem examination (see rules), as no diagnosis by other means can be entirely satisfactory; though from full details a shrewd deduction may be made—regret I cannot be more definite.

GREEN AVADAVATS, ETC. (J.W.).—(1) The song of the Green Avadavat is very similar to that of the Common, or Red, Avadavat, but is not so constantly uttered; it is, however, distinctly heard, especially during the nesting season. (2) Canary, white millet, millet sprays, and green-food suffices. All these small ornamental Finches thrive fairly well on the same treatment. (3) The treatment given in the Nutshell "Waxbills" will suffice for the Cordon Bleus, though these birds are rather fond of an occasional meal-

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aeries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

worm, or small insect. These also have a pleasing little song, but it is not so frequently uttered as that of the Common Avadavat.

INDIAN PARROT (G.A.S.).—If your all-wire cage is an ordinary Parrot-cage it should be strong enough to resist the Parrot's beak, but an ordinary all-wire cage, such as is usually used for Finches, would, of course, soon be bitten to pieces. Stick a piece of a branch, with the bark on, from bottom of cage to top—it can slant right across cage if needful—the said branch can be about as thick as one's wrist, replace it when cut to pieces. All Parrots climb about their cages, and exercise their beaks on the wires, but if yours is an ordinary Parrot cage it should have a fair life against such attacks. If your bird is a new arrival it will steady down as it becomes accustomed to its quarters and general surroundings.

INDIAN GREEN PARRAKEETS (J. H. Fowler).—They are a true pair, or young would not be found in the shell. Usually the cock feeds the hen on the nest. Please repeat your query in full next week and state whether they are kept in a cage or aviary. If the former is the case it may be lack of exercise, etc., which causes them to cease incubation just before eggs are due to hatch. These birds have reared young in more than one instance in outdoor aviaries this season. If you will give me full details of their quarters, including nest receptacle, I shall probably then be in a position to assist you.

WHAT IS IT? (J. W. Davies).—A bird three or four times the size of a Rose-ring would be something approaching a small fowl. I think your bird may be the Eupatorian Parrakeet, a species of large Rose-ring or Ring-neck, some Alexandrines look as large again as a Ring-neck, and your bird may be that species; your description would fit either. If you could give me in inches the length of the bird from tip of beak to tip of tail, also separate measurement of tail, state whether the bird is all green apart from the neck ring and wing patches, and say if there is any other variegation elsewhere, I can give you a definite answer.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

B.K.G.—Exhaustion following internal hæmorrhage, the result of violence. The body cavity was full of blood, but all organs were perfectly healthy.

SUDLEY.—Inflammation of the bowels due to the ingestion of irritant matter. I can scarcely think that moths can have any effect in this way. I should advise a cessation of the linseed during the warm weather, and a

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

ABERYSYCHAN C.B.S.—Sep. 5, Queen's Hotel. Important business concerning annual show, and fixing classes for schedule. Fanciers wishful to join kindly send their names to the secretary or attend the meeting.—F. Sweeting, Hon. Sec., 22, Caradoc Street, Pentwyn, Aberystychan. (Time not stated.—Editor.)

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.—Aug. 25, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Amalgamation meeting; business important.—J. Whitehead.

ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.—Aug. 26, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. Paper on Green and Cinnamon Borders, Mr. Middleton.—C. Bailey.

BEAMISH C.B.S.—Aug. 22, Bird Inn, High Hold, 6.30. Schedule for annual show and other important business; new members invited.—J. H. Elliott.

BISHOP AUCKLAND C.B.S.—Aug. 26, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7.30. Annual show business.—R. Elliott.

BONNYRIGG C.B.S.—Aug. 29, Foresters' Arms, 7. General business.—J. Stirling.

BOWLING B.F.A.—Aug. 26, Napoleon Hotel, 7.15. Business important.—J. Nicholl.

BRIGHTON & HOVE C.B.A.—Aug. 26, Headquarters, 8.30. Adjourned committee meeting to consider advisability of cancelling open shows, also general business, etc.—W. H. Gibb.

CHARLOTTEVILLE F. & U.S.K.S.—Sept. 17, St. Luke's Institute. Breeders' stock show, stock to be penned by 6. Cups for most points in each section, also medals for runners-up for monthly shows from Sept. to June, 1915.—C. H. Pope.

CREWE O.S.—Aug. 25, Burton Hotel, 8. Open show, European crisis.—N. L. Croft.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.—Aug. 22, Black Swan, 7.30. General business.—H. Cockrem.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.—Aug. 24, Headquarters, 7.30. Schedule of classes for annual show and other special business; important.—J. Alderslade.

GRANGEMOUTH C.B.S.—Aug. 26, Rechabite Hall, 8. Important.—J. Woodhouse.

GLASGOW NORTH-WEST C.B.C.—Aug. 27, Blythwood Hall, 8. Classification for annual show; all members are expected to be present. Wm. Loan.

GLASGOW, QUEEN'S PARK, C.B.S.—Aug. 26, Marie Stuart Halls, 8.—R. Heggie.

GLASGOW & W. OF SCOTLAND O.S.—Aug. 25, Masonic Halls, 100, West Regent Street, 8. Business important.—A. K. Chalmers.

LINTON & WOODHORN C.B.S.—Aug. 22, Social Club, 7.30. Important.—J. Anderson.

MIDLAND COUNTIES Y.C.C.—Aug. 27, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, Birmingham, 8.30. Allot patronage for 1914; elect members; arrange prizes.—W. Wells.

MIDLAND ROLLER C.C.—Aug. 27, new headquarters, Seven Stars, John St., 8. Show business; members please note new headquarters.—T. J. Smith.

NORTH MANCHESTER C.B.S.—Aug. 25, Balmoral Hall, Rochdale Road, 8.30. General business; members and friends invited.—A. Colley.

OPENSRAW, GORTON C.B.S.—Aug. 26, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Opensraw, 8.30. General business, etc.—A. W. Newton.

PORTSMOUTH & S.C.C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Headquarters, 8. To discuss the situation in regard to the annual show. Will members endeavour to attend?—G. T. Hall.

POPLAR C.B.S.—Aug. 27, All Hallows, East India Dock Road, 8. General business and questions and answers.—H. Marhoff.

SHEFFIELD O.S.—Aug. 25, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. All England show.—E. C. Job.

ST. QUINTIN PARK, KENSINGTON & DIST. F. & F.S.—Aug. 27, 235, Portobello Road, W.—A. J. Foy.

STOCKPORT & HAZEL GROVE B.F.A.—Aug. 25, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. General business.—W. Stafford.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.—Aug. 25, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. How to stage for exhibition.—A. H. McLean.

WATFORD C.B.S.—Aug. 24, Conservative Hall, 9. Adjourned special general meeting, to consider resolution, "That the open show be abandoned."—W. Rackley.

WANSTEAD F. & F.S.—Aug. 24, Cambridge Park Hall, 8. General meeting, discussion on young stock show.—H. S. Lofthouse.

WARRINGTON C.B.S.—Aug. 27, Blue Bell Sale Room, 8. Mr. J. D. Leigh will demonstrate how to prepare colour food; open show business.—G. M. Nelson.

little Glauber salts in the drinking water every alternate day for a week.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

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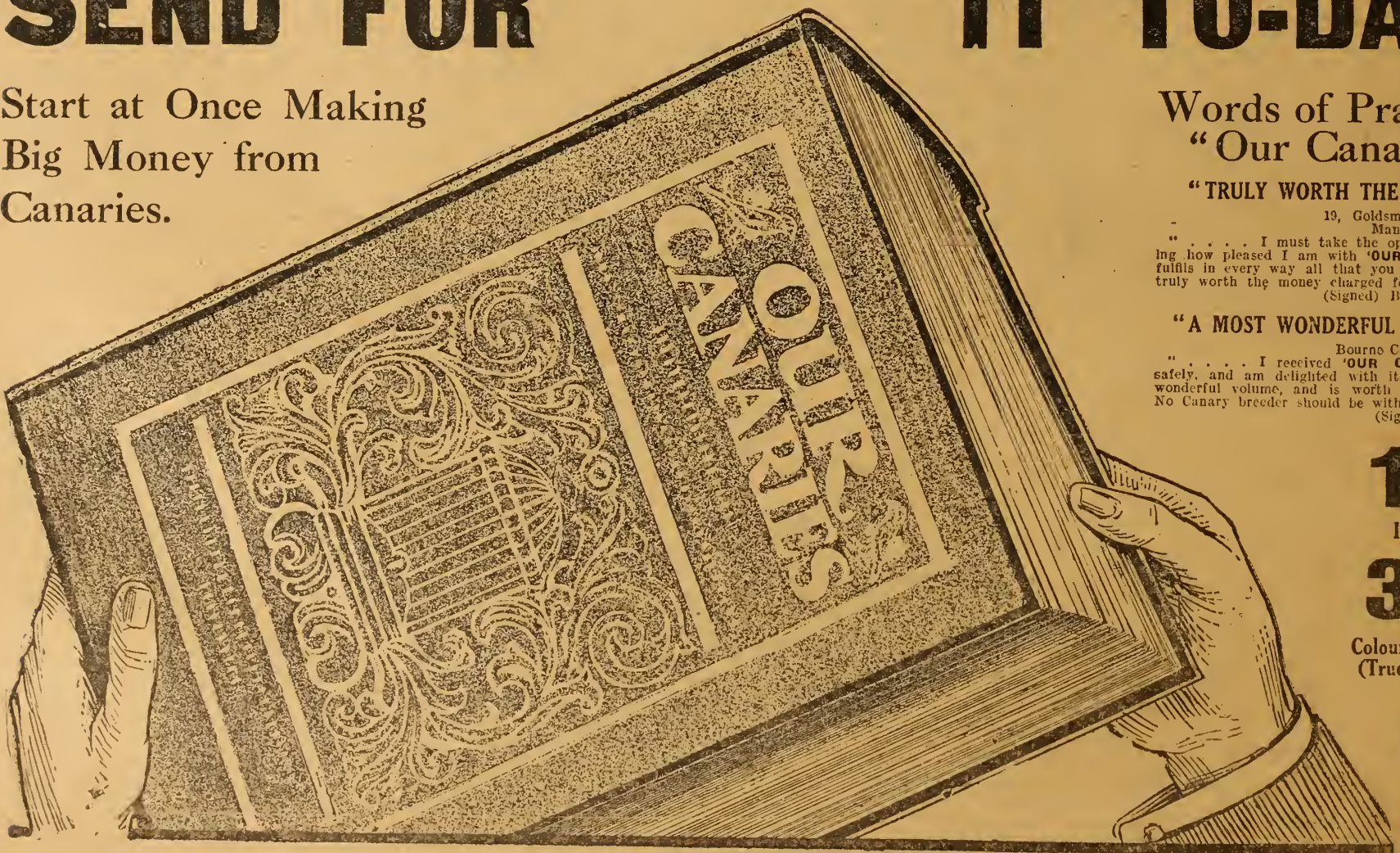
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FUTURE OF THE BIRD FANCY.

PROSPECTS EXCEEDINGLY BRIGHT.

NATIONAL SHOW CERTAIN TO BE HELD.

CAGE bird fanciers seem to have set their teeth and to have determined that so far as they are concerned Britain's motto, "Business as Usual" shall be their watchword, and though a few societies have found themselves compelled by force of circumstances to abandon their fixtures, on the whole a laudable determination to face whatever difficulties may be presented is the prevailing spirit.

We are in a position to assure our readers that under any circumstances short of the gravest national danger the National Bird Show will be held. Mr. Ramsden has unfortunately been compelled to indefinitely postpone his autumn fixture, and Manchester Show authorities, we believe, are in very much the same frame of mind. But as against this there is a big movement on foot to run a huge amalgamated London Show under the joint auspices of the London Cage Bird Societies, and there is every prospect, so we are informed, of the various associations sinking their friendly rivalry for the moment and combining their resources for the benefit of the Cage Bird Fancy.

No Insurmountable Difficulties.

Whether this London show will be confined entirely to Metropolitan fanciers, or be open to a wider area, is a matter that, of course, will come under discussion, but we are confident that there are no difficulties that can be suggested by the timorous that cannot be overcome by a little ingenuity and perseverance.

It behoves every bird lover who has the interest of the bird fancy at heart to set his shoulder to the wheel and do whatever lies in his power to prevent the interest in the fancy from being suspended, even temporarily.

We do not, of course, expect the able bodied young men who are better engaged in defending their country to interest themselves actively in such matters as bird culture, but for those who unfortunately are compelled to keep out of the firing line, or are prevented by circumstances from taking their proper share in the protection of our country, the

carrying on of the commercial interests of the country in exactly the same way as usual should be their chief duty, thereby helping to steady the nation as a whole.

Let us consider for a moment what would be the result if we did not. If in a feverish state of panic at the warlike state of the country we abandon all those peaceful pursuits which we have followed in days of prosperity thousands of people will be deprived of their means of living, and destitution and idleness will be the forerunners of famine and pestilence.

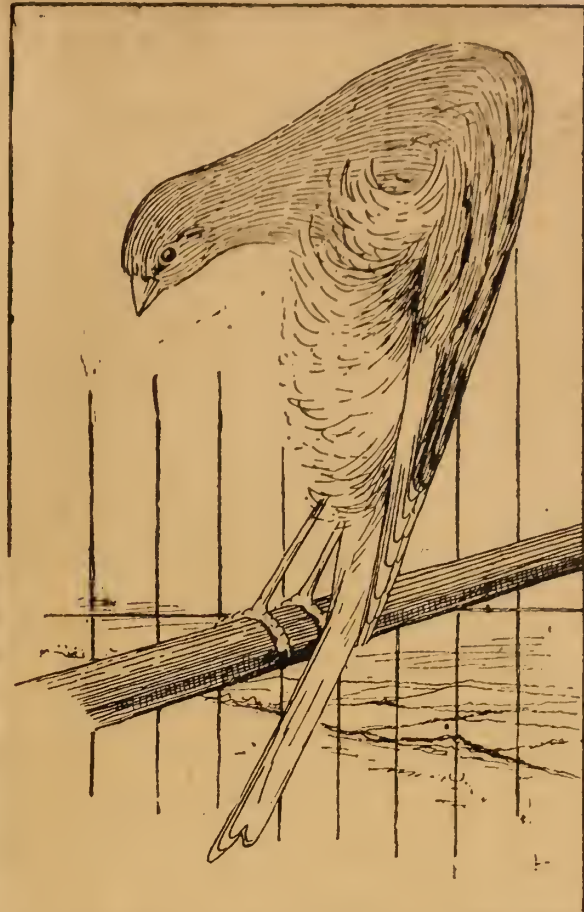
These may seem terrifying words to use in such a connection as the culture of birds, but in view of the fact that the hobby has provided a source of income for many years to thousands of poor people, and has supplemented the income of a great many people who receive insufficient pay, they are not so out of place as they might on first thoughts be considered.

We tender advice and help.

We should feel obliged if every secretary who finds himself in doubt or difficulty as to the holding of a show would communicate with us and place his individual position clearly before us and ask for our advice and help. Whatever assistance we can afford a society to hold a show is at its disposal. In former years we have had far too many shows being held on the same date, with the consequence of insufficient support to each individually, and it may be that with fewer fixtures the individual rewards of societies will be more commensurate with their labours.

We would suggest to the larger societies in connection with the alleged difficulties of transport that they obtain representatives in different parts of the country to personally convoy the exhibits to and from their exhibitions.

The value of the shows to the fancier cannot be overestimated. They enable bird breeders to put into comparison the results of their season's work. They provide valuable material for future breeding



THE BEST YOUNG HEN AT THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL SHOW. This excellent Scotch Fancy Canary (a buff piebald hen) was exhibited by Mr. C. T. Campbell, of Glasgow. She was awarded 1st prize and the special for best young S.F. hen in the hall.

operations, and a very useful market for surplus stock in cases where it is essential that the stock should be personally examined. They have a big educational effect, and are very instrumental in increasing the number of recruits to the bird fancy.

Should any of our readers have any suggestions to make, or opinions to express on the vital question to us all of preserving the interest in the bird fancy, we should be glad to consider and publish them.

Bravo! Liverpool O.S.

SIR,—At a fully attended meeting of the Liverpool O.S., held Aug. 20, it was unanimously decided to hold an Open Show on Oct. 23 and 24, in spite of the war. We are sure that all exhibitors who have supported us in the past will do so this year, as our method is to have all railway birds away, so as to reach home on Saturday night. There are only a dozen of us, who will stand or fall by the result of the show, but we have the help of all the fanciers in Liverpool in packing up, and so we shall carry on the good work which has been achieved in the past. We decided to put on 18 novice classes, which includes two unflighted classes for clear, etc., Yorkshires; this will answer Friend Rawsthorne. Also there are two novice Green classes outside the G.S.A. competition, and we are reviving the Lizard section again.

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Joint Members' Shows Suggested on the Tyne-side.

SIR,—A special meeting of the Newcastle C.B.S. was held at Purves' Cafe on Aug. 20, to consider our position with regard to holding an open show. There was a moderate attendance of members, who discussed the question in all its bearings; several suggestions were put forward, and the decision deferred till the September monthly meeting, when it is hoped there will be a full attendance of members, and a wise and careful decision arrived at. We are unable to get the Cambridge Hall this year, as it is a military hospital. A suggestion was to abandon the open show and confer with the Tyneside societies to see if a joint members' show could be held in conjunction with the Northern Specialist Clubs. Another was that we should curtail our schedule and hold a show on a smaller scale than usual, without members' classes, but giving specials for members in the open classes (if they can be got), thus limiting our liabilities. The Co-operative Hall was mentioned as a likely place, and the vice-chairman asked to see if it is vacant for our date. There was a decided feeling against abandoning the show altogether, so that it seems as though the decision will rest between holding a small open show and that of holding a combined members' show, with as many other societies as will join us.

T. C. CRAWHALL, Vice-chairman.

THE POSITION TO-DAY: VIEWS OF LEADING SOCIETIES & FANCIERS.

How Clapham C.B.A. Meets the Case.

SIR,—An extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Clapham and District C.B.A. was held Aug. 18 to decide whether or not an open show be held this year. The Secretary having reported that the hall we had secured had been seized by the authorities for an indefinite period, it was at first suggested to have only a Members' Show. A proposition was however eventually adopted, after much discussion, to make the show open to all who will bring their birds, it being the general opinion of the majority that whilst plenty of open shows would be abandoned in the country it would be possible to get together quite a decent show confined more or less to Londoners. The schedule for this show was fixed, and the entry fee decided at 1s. per cage with an addition for expenses of 6d. per entry form for members and 1s. for non-members. Prize money on sliding scale.

A. R. COE,

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Exhibitors will Regret any Cancelling of Shows.

"Think Well," advises a well-known Exhibitor and Judge.

SIR,—I notice that Wimbledon C.B.S. has cancelled its show, and is going to run a Members' Show instead. I am sure a number of exhibitors will regret this. As a member, I believe myself they would have had a good show and gate, and I think the entries would have been up to the average, seeing that there were less than 200 birds that possibly came by rail last year, and this could easily have been made up if we all did our best and persuaded other fanciers to enter some birds. I see it is very probable that the Dairy Show will take place, and if they can undertake such a large show as this surely Cage Bird Shows ought to continue. I, like F. Collins, would say do not be too hasty in cancelling your shows, particularly in and around London, where there

are so many exhibitors who would only be too pleased to make an additional entry or two to make them a success. Watford's sensible action in not deciding at their first meeting to cancel their show, but to adjourn so that they could think over the matter, I very much appreciate, and if they should decide to run their show I will do my utmost to help to make it a success, not only by my entries, but in trying to get others. I only hope that other secretaries and committees will think well before cancelling their shows and, if possible, run them to brighten up fanciers in this sad time by allowing us to be able to make entries and chat with one another over the awards.

T. EASTERLING.

Events Prove Too Much for the Watford C.B.S.

SIR,—An adjourned special general meeting of the Watford C.B.S. was held on Aug. 24 at the Conservative Hall to consider the Show Committee's recommendation that "the open show for 1914 be abandoned in view of the war." The adoption of the recommendation was moved by Mr. J. Goodall, seconded by Mr. Watts, and the matter was fully discussed. The views advanced were that the L. and N.W. Ry. had intimated that at present they could not deal with any live stock, and such would be liable to delay in transit. Another was that they were standing at a considerable expense, and as they had to depend a great deal locally for the gate, and the working people were only on half-time, they would be liable to a big loss; their funds were not sufficient to face a deficit. The motion was eventually carried nem con. A Members' Show will be held later in the year.

R. J. PRETTY, Chairman.

A Comprehensive Survey of the Situation.

SIR,—To-day the Cage Bird Fancy is in the cuttlefish grip of war, from which it cannot escape uninjured, though its wounds may be merely superficial and temporary. Already some Societies have arrested their stream of energy to be diverted—where? Already we have derelict stocks, or studs of cage birds which has enjoyed, up till now, the loving care of skilled fanciers, but which will now experience—what?—and go—where?

'Tis well when suddenly thrown in darkness to dwell therein just long enough to discern more easily the ways and means which lead to sunshine and to safety, any panic or rush from the inky gloom is dangerous and must be discouraged. Thousands of fanciers are situated as I am, already past the age limit as fixed by an indulgent Government, and considered past the prime for the stern necessities experienced in the fighting line, though we be willing, ready, and anxious to answer the roll call.

The Extent of Our Fancy.

Very few fanciers, I fear, realise the enormous extent and ramifications of our Fancy. Just tell a pal the Cage Bird Fancy is an asset of which John Bull is proud, and can ill afford to lose; and I expect he would wink his eye, remove his hat, and significantly touch his head upon a spot, and make certain pointed suggestions of your having got it badly, etc. But it is very true, as I will show you. £100,000 per annum is a very conservative estimate of the turnover in birdseed and other bird-foods consumed in the United Kingdom, for it must be remembered that about one householder in every three maintains a Canary or other cage bird as a household pet; therefore, the value of bird seed in packets, altogether outside of the "Fancy," annually consumed is enormous, and perhaps in itself could easily be reckoned at the round figure I have mentioned.

This amount does not include the enormous and increasing exportation of bird seeds and foods to our colonies and other countries. Then must be reckoned the cage-making industry, the turnover of which, especially if it is included cage fittings or furniture, is quite a handsome sum. Also must be included

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the wages of thousands of people who are engaged in divers ways in connection with the Fancy, and who are paid, and indeed must live upon the wages received in so doing. Look at the cash that our Fancy, during the show season, puts into circulation. The railway companies, of course, would say the carriage of thousands of birds to and from shows is hardly worth their bother, but don't you believe it, for again it is a handsome sum.

I could dwell for some time in this way, but rather would I ask you to fix your attention upon the fact that John Bull's turnover in the Fancy is surely not less than £250,000 per annum.

Fancy a cool quarter of a million sunk each year to a quiet, peaceful hobby, and in maintaining a ray of sunshine in one home in every three. How much of this do you intend John Bull to lose?

No thoughtful fancier can close his eyes to the fact that doings during the coming winter will be exceedingly quiet, and money tight; but please do not take too gloomy a view. The fancier not actively involved in the war can be relied upon to do his share of holding the Fancy together, and this may best be done by dismissing all thoughts of parting with his stock.

Not so easy of solution is the position of the average and younger breeders, who cannot drown the call of duty, or whose livelihood is already threatened. Then what of those who rely upon their surplus birds to keep them through various straggles, and there are many such? Already it seems their avenues of sale are closed, and hopes of a month ago are blasted.

A Demand we can fill.

Yes, this is the picture that partly fills the canvas with the brush handled by the Kaiser, but, please God, I can see something more than black and red, and I hasten to point out that with co-operation and patience a better future lies ahead for the Fancy and John Bull. No one will buy Canaries this coming winter say you. What? Do you not know of the lucrative trade Germany has built up of late years in the exportation of singing Canaries to every civilised part of the globe? Do you think her breeders bred such hosts if there was no outlet for them? Are the Germans in a position to supply the demand this year?

There will surely be an overseas demand. Is this not one of the grandest opportunities the Fancy ever had of supplying the world generally with an English-bred musical-box? If we capture this business it will mean a few thousands of pounds for John Bull. Remember after forwarding the birds, we shall forward cages, bird seed, and other necessities, and this will mean employment and prosperity.

Societies cancelling their shows, I fear, is inevitable here and there, but to disband and not regularly meet as of yore would be cowardly. Is a birdy pal and his stock at the first touch of adversity to become derelict? Is there nothing you can do, no helping hand to stay his downward course, or hold his stock of birds, which presently may be changed to bread? What if we cannot procure a hall to hold a meeting as usual? Has no one a backyard, a scullery, or washhouse.

The "Order of the Push" at Abertillery.

SIR.—In reply to "Justice" I say to begin with he is not very manly, or he would come out of the bag and let me know who he is. One has to be careful whom he is corresponding with in these days of strife. He has, I may add, a very powerful appreciation of the capabilities of the officials. His remarks that they know their work better than those who are writing against them are questionable, and his statement about my having fair play in the meetings is untrue. He admits he has attended the meetings, therefore I consider he is acting on behalf of the officials. His statement that my being Secretary would put things right was meant and taken for a sneer. One to you, Mr. "Justice," until we meet.

A. E. MOULE.

Novice Classes Wanted in the Liverpool District.

SIR.—I notice with some satisfaction the comments of Mr. G. Rawsthorne in last week's issue of CAGE BIRDS re the need for classes in unflighted birds for novices at the Liverpool O.S. shows. I fully endorse his remarks, but I would like to go further and say what to my mind would be even more satisfactory in these classes. Instead of paying a fixed prize-money award, pay on the sliding scale; prize-money down to the eighth bird in each class. Deduct 3d. per bird in each class for working expenses, which is quite sufficient on a well-managed show, run by practical fanciers. We should

a parlour, or drawing room, or stable, or somewhere in which a dozen or two determined fanciers can meet to help rescue a pal?

Do not let us have any more of this "meetings postponed indefinitely." Again, do not part with your stocks too easily, every songster to spare will be required; every one, remember, is likely to be a singing advertisement for the old country. Have the goods ready, good honest goods, and let us discuss how our stocks may be cared for, and how we can best get the grip of lucrative business, once held in the mailed fist of the Kaiser.

It is indeed unfortunate that the long expected and patiently-waited-for drop in values of Canary seed is not likely to materialise. From Morocco we have had during the past three or four weeks a few hundred bags of new crop Canary seed; but arriving to a practically bare cupboard it has not gone round very far, Spain is practically the only source of supply at present, and if we secure her whole crop, it is a mere bagatelle in the world's needs, and being the best, of course, it is dearest. Turkey has a splendid crop, all harvested, and much ready for shipment, and shillings cheaper than Moroccan or Spanish, but the prospect of our getting any supplies is poor.

Items to Press into Service.

If she becomes embroiled I expect it will be good bye to our Turkish seed, leaving only the Argentine to cope with the shortage, which she cannot do before January next. Possibly we may get a small supply of Dutch, but the chances may be slender. Our paper CAGE BIRDS is already making valuable and economical suggestions in the management of feeding, and it behoves every breeder, rich or poor, to husband his seeds. Fortunately, with the winter shortly due, such items as crushed oats, Quaker or rolled oats, or oatmeal, even flaked maize, stale bread soaked in milk, and dozens of other items can be pressed into service at more economical a price than Canary seed.

Fanciers also should not forget the threshings or screenings. A sack or two may be secured fairly easily and cheaply, in fact ever so much can be done to hold the Fancy together, but not by disbanding ourselves and stocks. Hold meetings more often if possible, tell each other how you are trying to manage. In the event of a pal becoming a fighter, don't pass his cherished stock to the world for a mere song; rather divide them amongst yourselves, maybe only a couple or so for each to look after, and what better welcome back than proof of having stood by a pal?

We must awake to the fact that we have one of the finest hobbies in the world for working good and no evil, a hobby which should bind us in a common bond of brotherhood.

Now for suggestions to hold us together. What about a fund to help needy fanciers? If we cannot hold our annual show let us turn the cash we have to the best account. If some societies have little, well, spend some energy in trying to make more. If a cwt. of seed can be bought cheaper than in pecks, and it generally can, then hold your meetings, put your cash together and get the cwt. All this will help to wallop the German monster, and if, like myself, you are too old to march with the musket, remember we are not too old to fight silently and unseen.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

then see what sort of youngsters there are about; it would also be doing good to old breeders who are champions, by selling the novices some young show birds. Rumours are abroad about cancelling a lot of shows on account of the war. This is absolutely unnecessary. I would suggest to show committees to adopt the following plan, namely, pay all prize-money on the sliding scale. Keep down the expenses of showrooms, stationery accounts, etc.; judges' fees for this year should be reduced. Advertise in CAGE BIRDS your show and let all exhibitors apply for schedules and entry forms.

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What is the Most General Sliding Scale?

SIR.—In reply to "Novice's" question, the most general sliding scale is, I believe, that in which the entry fees in each class are divided into 6 portions, the first prize winner taking 3 portions, second 2 portions, and third 1 portion. Thus, supposing the show committee in drawing up rules say "The entry fee shall be 2s. for the first entry and 1s. for each entry afterwards." The first shilling on each entry form is deducted to pay for the expenses of the show; 9 entries would give 9s. prize money, which would be divided into 4s. 6d. 1st prize, 3s. 2nd, and 1s. 6d. 3rd; 15 entries would give 7s. 6d. 1st prize, 5s. 2nd, 2s. 6d. 3rd; 8 entries, 4s. 1st prize, 2s. 8d. 2nd, 1s. 4d. 3rd, and so on throughout the show.

T. J. HOSK.

A Young Sparrow Makes Himself at Home.

SIR.—The House Sparrow as a rule is not disposed to be very intimate in its friendship with human beings, hence I thought the following, sent by "R. K. C." to the "Scotsman," would interest your readers also. He says: "About a fortnight ago a young Sparrow flew in at our kitchen window (which is on the top flat of a tenement in town) and perched on the outside of a Canary's cage which was hanging in the window. He was very faint, and eagerly took from our hands both food and water. He became quite friendly, hopping and flying about the room and in and out of the window all day. We noticed that he had the use of only one leg, the other being shrivelled and powerless. He finally went off for the night, leaving us wondering if we had seen the last of him. He was, however, at the window next morning, and has been back regularly since. There are flower boxes outside the window, and he sometimes alights on them, first of all to reconnoitre, and then hops in past the flowers on to the kitchen sink. At other times he flies right in at the window, and at once makes himself at home, taking bread-crumbs from our hands at meal times, or making straight for a dish of canary-seed which has been placed handy for him. Until lately he would not go to a cup of water and take a drink for himself. The cup had always to be presented to him. But within the last few days he has taken both a drink and a bath for himself. He seemed to enjoy the latter immensely. It was very hot one morning, and he bathed and dried himself in the sun alternately every little while. Yesterday we were surprised to notice that he had lost the claws from his crippled leg, and had only a stump left. The loss did not seem to affect him."

JAS. M'WATT.

Is the Novice Coddled Over-much?

SIR.—Mr. J. Locke is really a bit of "young stuff." I congratulate him not only for having survived the nipping effects of what I have written, but for his series of pertinent and sensible questions, which surely betray a desire to at once get down to bed-rock. If every beginner paused and enquired what constituted a successful breeder's stock, and how long it took to breed a really outstanding specimen, we should not have so many in our midst to-day who are neither use nor ornament to the Fancy; for so long as they are under the impression that only a few birds and cages are necessary, and that the services of "Mary Ann" can be requisitioned upon frequent occasion, so long will their efforts result in certain failure.

As to how, and from whom, I have purchased stock, I may say that whenever I have needed new blood (it must of necessity be fairly frequent in a limited stud of six or seven pairs, and not being a whole-bogger for inbreeding) I have secured it in divers ways, though always honestly. My sheet anchor is perhaps local purchases, for then I know something of the breeding of the particular bird I require, and other truly essential features. In this way I have drawn upon both novice and champion stock, though in the case of the former my purchases have been mainly confined to a useful bird or so which was originally bred in the room of another and more successful breeder, of whose stock I already had some knowledge, and perhaps myself possessed some of the same blood. It is because of this that I find it impossible to impartially direct credit where it is due, as it must be obvious that though of late years my stock consists mainly of birds of my own breeding, yet nevertheless in them is blood drawn from various quarters, and where the good work of the other breeders ends (if it really does) and where my own good, bad, or indifferent work commences I cannot say, particularly as I have in mind the peculiar and subtle law of reversion. Certain it is that I realise the real help I have enjoyed at others' hands. £3 3s. is the highest figure I have ever paid for a Plainhead; £3 my highest

for a pair; also I have never purchased a Plainhead for show purposes nor ever been in the first three at a leading all-England show with a purchased Plainhead.

"Welsh Queen" represented three seasons' work on the maternal side, four on the paternal, counting from time of introduction of new blood, and if you divide twelve guineas by three and a-half, it is not much per annum if you want to look at these things in a mercenary manner, which I don't. When I commenced in the Fancy I plodded for four seasons before I produced a youngster fit to look out of a show cage, and win at Plymouth. To-day if some of the novices do not produce an eye-opener the first season they spend the next at the picture palace, or pouring out invective upon those who do not deserve it.

To maintain size in your stock, secure a cock which is not only of massive build and heavy in bone, but also consistently bred from such stock. The farther he is removed from Crestbred or copy blood the better, for both crosses destroy the true Plainhead character and temperament. When you have such a bird—well, stick to him, for I candidly confess though there be many other pebbles upon the beach, neither love nor money can always secure this stamp of cock.

In conclusion, I trust my correspondent will fully realise that a fair measure of success does not necessarily come through the avenue of a deep pocket, a luxury consistently denied me—in fact for some time during my existence I was even denied a pocket at all, though I am not blaming anybody for it!

E. W. ALLSOPP.

How Did Birds Originate?

SIR.—Mr. Savage is emphatic in his denial that some of the moths have feathers for a covering. My acquaintance with the science of entomology doesn't warrant my posing as an authority. All I can say is that recently I caught one of the more uncommon moths, and I took it to a naturalist friend who has made a lifelong study of entomology, and he named it, and explained that its covering was a kind of feather. So, when scientists disagree, who's to referee? Mr. Savage says that man has not lived long enough for the anatomical change to have taken place. That is the answer that all evolutionists give when cornered. They know that nobody can disprove that statement. All the same, it is a very weak argument. How does he know that animals do not suffer from indigestion? And what makes him say that few humans are immune from the complaint? My contact with my fellow men, and my appraising of the sturdy forms and healthy visages of the coming generation impresses me with the opinion that not more than ten per cent. of our population suffer from indigestion. School clinics, district nurses, the inclusion of gymnastics and other sports into our educational system will do away with the necessity of an anatomical alteration in the human frame. Now, sir, I am aware that we are rambling from the subject; but I would like to claim your indulgence while I ask Mr. Savage a few questions on evolution. We are told that the horse was once an aquatic animal with cloven hoofs. Will Mr. Savage tell me what his theories are in regard to the horse, how it has evolved itself into the glorious animal of to-day, and why the hoof has become the solid substance it is now?

T. JOHNSON.

[We are glad that our correspondent realises that in asking questions as to the evolution of the horse he is getting outside of the scope of such a journal as CAGE BIRDS. We have no doubt that Mr. Savage could answer the questions, but we ask him mercifully to refrain from doing so.—Editor.]

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THE MOULTING AND EXHIBITING OF MULES AND HYBRIDS.

By E. COLLINS (Barnstaple).

ONE'S brain does not work on birdy lines just now. Our thoughts are of the war and its awful possibilities, and it is difficult to concentrate them upon any other subject. I can think of no other occasion when I have found it so difficult to bring my mind to bear upon the subject in hand.

A short time ago it was my privilege to write a series of articles on the Fascinating Pursuit of Mule and Hybrid Breeding, and feeling that such a series is not complete without a chapter on the Moulting, Training, and Exhibiting of these birds, I once more take up my pen to add a few notes on these last stages, as it were, in the development of the young mule or hybrid, for such birds cannot be considered to have reached maturity until the first moult is completed, nor can they be placed before the judges in these days of keen competition with much hope of success unless they are steady, well-trained, and shown to the very best advantage.

A Long Career Likely.

Having successfully reared our mules or hybrids, there is yet much to be done before the young birds are ready for the show bench. The approach of the moulting season is a very critical period in the life of all cage birds, and much depends upon how the young birds are steered through their first moult. If they moult out into strong and healthy specimens, they are likely, in an ordinary way, to live through several show seasons, provided they are not over shown. I have in my birdroom at the present time two hybrids which are now passing through their ninth moult, and which have won nearly a hundred prizes, yet both are in the best of health, and I am looking forward to yet another successful season with them.

See that your birds get a good supply of sound, wholesome food, plenty of exercise, and free use of the bath, and keep your cages scrupulously clean and free from red mite. Attention to these matters will make all the difference in the bird's health, and will probably considerably lengthen its days. The cages should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected at the commencement of the moulting season, and should be overhauled at least once a week during the moult. The water-vessels should be rinsed out every day before giving

ing a fresh supply, and during the hot weather fresh water should be given three or four times a day. The seed supplied should be of the finest quality, and should be sifted once a week regularly.

It is scarcely necessary for me to say that if any winning is to be done without mules and hybrids, they must be colour-fed. It is not my intention here to discuss the pros and cons of colour-feeding. There are many well-known cage-bird fanciers who are opposed to it, and have not hesitated to condemn the practice, while others maintain that no harmful effects result from the use of pepper, and that the birds are greatly improved by its aid. However, "Those who live in Rome must do as the Romans do," and if we are to exhibit our birds with any hope of success, we must resort to colour-feeding. The non-fed bird will stand a very poor chance against its more highly-coloured rivals.

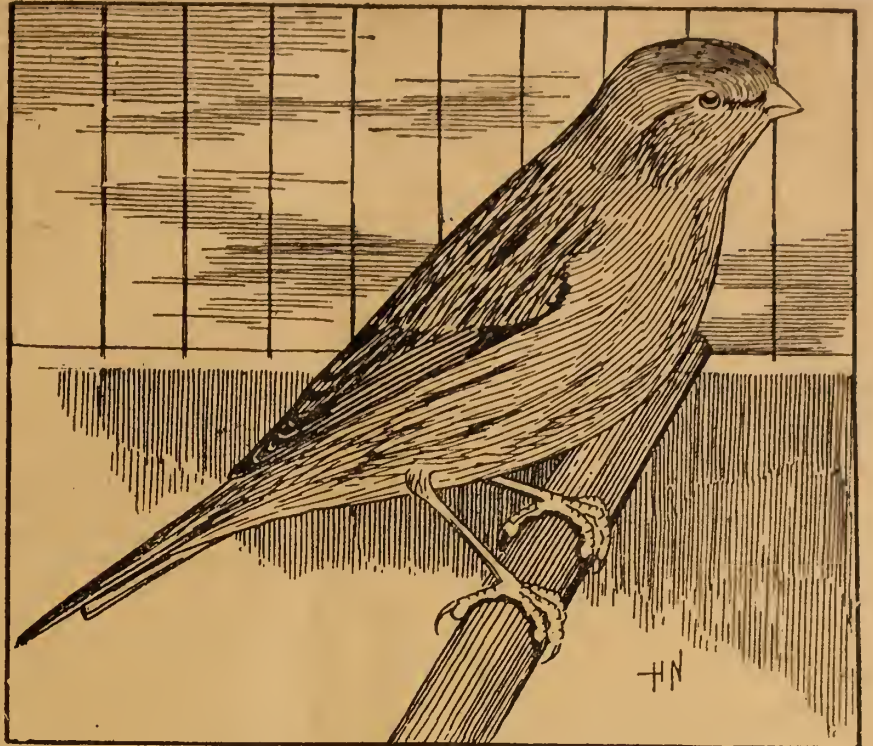
The Unwisdom of Barring Pepper.

Many birdkeepers and cage bird societies have attempted to put colour-feeding out of court in various ways. But these fanciers forget that even though societies might make laws prohibiting the use of pepper as a colouring agent, many of our more experienced birdkeepers would be able to continue to colour-feed their birds, with discretion, of course, in such a manner that the judges would have great difficulty in distinguishing between the natural-coloured specimen, one which had been bred for colour, and the bird of poorer colour, but whose colour had been improved by the judicious use of pepper.

Especially would this be the case with British birds, mules and hybrids, and in my opinion it would be almost impossible in many cases to distinguish between the good natural-coloured bird and the colour-fed specimen. Under these circumstances, even though I would be glad to dispense with the use of pepper, I think it would be unwise to make any rules to prohibit its use as a colouring agent.

Colour-feeding then must form part of the scheme in the production of the exhibition hybrid. Whether we agree with it or not does not matter. The fact remains that we must either colour feed our birds or take a back seat.

When procuring your colour-food get it direct from a reliable dealer, and use only pepper of the finest quality. To every



A GREEN CANARY OF NORWICH TYPE.

This very typical specimen has done well for its owner, Mr. F. Handley, of Liverpool, winding up the season by securing second prize at the Crystal Palace Show.

4lbs. of tasteless pepper add 1/2 lb. of hot Natal and 1/2 lb. of castor sugar. This should be thoroughly mixed and put into tins ready for use, and kept closed. Many breeders add a certain quantity of olive oil to the pepper, but I think that the peppers as supplied by most dealers contain quite sufficient quantities of oil.

Preparing and Giving Colour-food.

When preparing the colour-food for my Mules and Hybrids I add one teaspoonful of pepper to three or four teaspoonfuls of egg-food, supplying one teaspoonful of this mixture to each bird. Do not commence at this strength, but begin with a very small proportion of pepper and gradually increase the amount till the full strength has been reached.

Do not wait until your birds begin to drop their feathers before commencing to colour-feed them. All old birds should be put on to the food by the end of June, so as to get it well into the system before the moult commences, while all young birds should be started when they are about

seven or eight weeks old. The colour-food should be given regularly, and it is important that the amount supplied each day shall be eaten up, otherwise your birds will not moult out a good even colour.

You will find it necessary in some cases to remove the seed boxes until the birds have finished their soft food. My own plan is to remove the seed vessels at night, and replace them on the following day when the birds have finished the colour-food.

Continue the colour-food until the birds are well through the moult, and then gradually decrease the amount and put back the seed vessels a little earlier each day, so as to avoid a sudden change of diet. Even after the birds have quite completed their moult it will be advisable to give your exhibition birds a little colour-food once or twice a week during the show season, as they are apt to lose feathers from various causes, especially when travelling and at the shows.

(To be continued.)

HOW TO CHEAPEN THE FOOD BILL.

Hints that may be useful to Bird-keepers during the present War crisis

By G. E. WESTON.

(Continued from page 80.)

ANOTHER useful item of live-food which many keepers of soft-billed birds can obtain with very little effort, and practically for the asking, is the cockroach ("black-beetle"). These creatures are usually very plentiful in bakehouses, and are easily caught in traps set for the purpose at a few pence by ironmongers, etc. I kept my supply in tins, amongst sacking.

Small black-beetles were always "smashed up" and eaten with gusto by most of my Wagtails, Tits, Robins, Nightingales, Redstarts, Skylarks, etc.; while such birds as Jays, Magpies, Thrushes, and Black-birds simply gloat over them, and the bigger the better from their point of view. I have also found Woodpeckers, Hoopoes, and Golden Orioles partial to a meaty black-beetle, to say nothing of various foreign species, such as Cardinals, Blue Jays, etc.

A Killing Wrestler!

Black-beetles with my birds have always proved safe and good food items, and I should never hesitate to supply them (using discretion, for obvious reasons, in the matter of the relative size of bird and beetle) to all likely species, whether British or Foreign. To see a tame "Jenny" Wren having a catch-as-catch-can match with a black-beetle, the cage floor being the arena, is one of the most joyous and mirth-provoking sights imaginable, especially when he gets a "toe-hold" and treats his opponent to such a series of falls as must

surely violate every known rule of wrestling!

The Robin, however, is an easy first at this business; he treats his opponent to the "flying mare" in most skilful fashion, then bangs him forcefully to the ground, not, I regret to say, always on his back, according to rule, but as likely as not on his belly! Still, maybe this doesn't matter, for the cockroach is then generally in such a condition that the subsequent proceedings interest him no more.

Owners of Thrushes should remember that they are very fond of common garden snails, pests that are only too plentiful this season in my own neighbourhood. Put a piece of stone, or a portion of a brick in the cage for the bird to smash the shells on.

A correspondent remarks that I did not mention my own method of colour-feeding and how I mixed my colour-food. I did not intend to touch on the latter topic (just now, at any-rate) as the method of using the food is so well understood now-a-days; directions are issued by all who sell colour-food, and the general process is described in all books dealing with Canary breeding, frequently, too, in the pages of CAGE BIRDS.

To administer the food I use a plain cake almost exactly like the madeira cake sold by confectioners. Any house-wife can bake one at home. In the ingredients, however, I use a little extra fat, i.e., so that it is, when baked, a little more fatty in

character than the average madeira cake. If one is in the habit of adding oil to the pepper, this extra fat should be omitted. This cake is crumbled up and the colour-food well incorporated with it. I arrange to have made at one week-end sufficient to last me until the following week-end, and I keep the "mixed food" in one of the glazed earthenware jars which all general-stores stock at a low price.

A Real Time-Saver.

This method is not so cheap a one as that which I detailed the other week, but it is much cheaper than where fresh eggs are used each day, and as a saver of time it would be difficult to beat. All one has to do is measure out the daily supply. There is no risk, either, of disaster to the birds owing to the food going bad. The pepper, too, gets thoroughly blended with every particle of cake. My birds come out a grand colour, as rich as I see anyone's on the show-bench.

This question of colour-feeding cheaply evidently interests many, judging by the letters I have had concerning it. An old-time friend of mine, Mr. Geo. Hobbs, of Northampton—he is one of our oldest fanciers, and I am pleased to say is well and hearty—writes to tell me that in the days when the birds exhibited by the late Mrs. Hobbs were carrying all before them (I well remember the wonderful Blackbird which was one of the team) they had mixed into their food a lot of hard, stale crusts, which had been soaked in water.

Mr. Hobbs states that he got the idea of using the stale bread from a very old book on bird-keeping, which came into his own hands as many as 40 years ago. The author wrote that this "tip" was "worth a guinea" to anyone keeping birds. And Mr. Hobbs tells me that to him he certainly

considers it has been very full value for a guinea. The soaked bread, of course, is left in as friable (i.e., not pasty) a state as possible.

Potato When Colour-Feeding.

As regards colour-feeding, Mr. Hobbs is this year trying mixing the pepper with cold boiled potato a day old. He passes the potato through a fine sieve and mixes in the pepper, then passes the whole through the sieve once more. He says that his birds are eating this freely, appear to be doing well on it, and are coming out a grand colour. The final result he kindly promises to communicate in due course. It is, anyway, another method that leaves hard-boiled egg and biscuit far in the rear in the important matter of cheapness.

With regard to economy in seeds, the fancier should on no account omit to profit by the help Dame Nature will afford him if he is in a position to gather from her plentiful store of wild seeds. The only expense she will put upon him is the expenditure of spare time in the gathering; though some, maybe, will be called upon to disburse a few coppers in tram, etc., fares, getting to the country lanes. For some of the most useful wild-seeds it is rarely necessary to travel far. Thistle and hard-heads are common enough, while shepherd's purse is with us everywhere, and such items as groundsel, chickweed, dock, and the like are very plentiful. These are a few of the things which at this time of the year should help to lighten the seed-bill of every bird-keeper.

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Club Reports.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Meeting, August 5, Mr. Holden presiding over a moderate attendance. Our next show has been arranged November 7. Messrs. Cattle and Lloyds were elected members. Members please note there will be no meeting on September 2.—E. S. Broadbent, Hon. Sec.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.

Meeting Aug. 20, 21 Kilbowie Road, Mr. McCown presiding over a good attendance. See, read a letter from sec. of Vale of Leven C.B.C. acknowledging receipt of letter re open show. It was agreed to make up classification for the annual show at next meeting. One new member proposed and elected.—W. Kaue, sec

PELTON FELL, ETC. (Amalg.)

Meeting and Table Show, Aug. 15, Colliery Inn. YORKS., BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Stanger. BOARD., BUFF: 1, 3, vhc, Stanger; 2, Redpath. Members subs. must be paid before or at the last meeting prior to Annual Show. Next meeting and Table Show, Chester le-Street, Dun Cow Inn, Aug. 29. Linnet or Twite; Siskin or Redpoll, Softbill, not larger than Thrush; Buntings.—J. Robinson, Sec.

GATESHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting, Aug. 12. Mr. Holden presided. Letter was read from Sec. of Lizard C.C. granting as the patronage. In connection with meeting, a table show was held. Mr. Holden judged. NOR., CL.: 1, 3, Willsbury; 2, Lawson; 4, Liddel. MKD.: 1, Lawson; 2, Remolds; 3, Liddel. YORKS., CL.: 1, 2, Witherley. BRIT.: 1, 2, McGuire. Members please turn up at our next meeting; important business re open show.—W. Curry, Sec.

N.W. LONDON F.A.

Meeting Aug. 7, Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley Road, N.W., 30 members present. Prize-money and specials were given out. The young stock show will take place September 19, at headquarters, and the annual show at the Prince of Wales' Baths, Dec. 5. We should be glad to hear from any society that would care to co-operate with our annual show; full particulars will be sent on receipt of post card. Next meeting September 3, headquarters, 8.30.—W. Sutton, Assis. Sec., 66, Camden Mews, N.W.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting held Drill Hall Aug. 18. Owing to the war crisis, with its dislocation of trade throughout the country, it was decided to cancel open show fixed for Oct. 10. The committee take this opportunity of making their decision known to all fanciers and friends who have so heartily given their support in the past, and trust to come up smiling to take their place in the Fancy at a more opportune time. They also beg to extend their sympathy to all fanciers who are feeling the stress of circumstances at this critical period.—R. Muir, Sec.

FELLING-ON-TYNE F. AND F.S.

Meeting, Aug. 22, Blue Bell Hotel. Messrs. J. Kay, J. Hall, G. Bradley, O. McRobie, J. Ridley, G. Thirlwell, J. Musgrove, G. Dawson, Howe Bros., and T. Addison were elected members. We also elected six junior members: J. Mann, R. Burrell, G. Garbutt, C. Stockton, J. Witherley, T. Burrell. Members please note that through early closing of licensed houses, our meeting and table show, September 5, will have to commence early; it was decided that judging begin at 6.30. The above new members are entitled to show if they wish. Mr. S. Burrell, of Windy Nook, will judge.—W. Stockton, Hon. Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Meeting Aug. 15, headquarters, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-street. Mr. R. J. Pretty presided over a good attendance. Mr. T. W. Ward, Mrs. F. Harrison, and Misses F. Cullers and N. Cullers were elected members. Autumn show was fixed for Nov. 7. Eight half-crowns to be drawn from the society for same as eight special prizes, as the society had a good balance in hand. No further subscription cup is to be given, only a donor's cup, to be won three times, not in succession. There was considerable discussion on Rule 9 in show rules as to when notice should go up to amateur, and so on. Special was presented to Mr. H. Bell by the chairman, and cards, etc., for young bird show were given out. The show produced a profit of 10s. Hearty vote of thanks given to the chairman brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—W. Gilbert.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

MAKES NOISE IN THROAT. (A. Pink).—You ought to have mentioned what treatment you have been giving, or sent a cutting of previous reply, as I cannot decide from your letter which reply you refer to. Try what a month of the following treatment will do for the bird, and if not quite successful write again and repeat full particulars. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape, and on the alternate days a morsel of bread and milk, no larger than a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a little green food daily. Limit the diet to this. In the drinking-water add five drops each of glycerine, tincture of lobelia, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirits of nitre

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting, Aug. 22, Prince of Wales' Hotel, Mr. Probert presiding. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr. Bibbings, who had the misfortune of losing his birds. He had left the window open about 3 inches at the top, as usual, for ventilation, and his own cat squeezed her way in at the window, and killed every bird except one old hen. Mr. Bibbings is a raw novice, and he had a few good young Yorkshires, which he thought to exhibit after the moult. The society will consider at the next meeting what course they will take to help Mr. Bibbings. Messrs. W. Saunders and A. Hyde were elected members. The secretary was instructed to forward photographs to the Editor of CAGE BIRDS for reproduction. Anyone wishing to join the society can have particulars from H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec., Oaklands, Top Crook Hill, Cwmtillery.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, Aug. 15, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, for four minutes' time singing. 1, Morley, 96; 2, Wainwright, 74; 3, Smith, 47. Aug. 22. 1, Morley, 93; 2, Smith, 73; 3, Wainwright, 52. General meeting after sing, Aug. 29.—J. Brindley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, Aug. 23. Fourteen sang for 3 prizes. 1, 3, W. Sissons; 2, Richardson. Judges, S. Harcastle and Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec. Quality singing contests, old bird house, Skippers Arms, Buslingthorpe, Aug. 23. 19 competed. 1, Ward; 2, Banns; 3, Rosendale. Judges, C. Clayton, J. Smith.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

every second day for a week, then omit it for a week, and give it again for another week. Report result at the end of the month's treatment.

MAKES PECULIAR NOISE (W. G. T.).—I do not think there is anything seriously wrong with the bird. It is probably troubled only with a little ennui, such as many birds show signs of at this season, when the moult is in progress. See that it is protected from direct cold draughts, extremes of heat and cold, and do not expose it to the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. You may give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water 20 drops of whiskey, and five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, and shaken well together.

A TRIPLET (A. R.).—(1) I should say that a young Canary that was very woezy at 14 weeks old had either been very improperly treated, or had inherited the disease from tainted forbears, and is not likely to be of much service for anything. Keep the cages very clean, avoid extremes of heat and cold, or draughts, and do not expose the birds to the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. In addition to the staple seed diet give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it every third day, and on the intervening days give first a pinch of maw seed and a morsel of banana, and next a spray of green food, and add to the drinking water five drops each of oxymel of squills, tincture of lobelia, ipecacuanha wine, and spirit of sweet nitre. Continue this for a fortnight or so. (2) It is not correct that all young birds moult from eight to twelve weeks old. Some may begin even younger, and others will be older than the latter age before they begin. Your birds are doubtless moulting very gradually, and will be all right, although they will take longer over it. They may, however, start away more rapidly at any time now. (3) Young birds that are singing now may reasonably be supposed to be cocks, but this cannot by any means be taken as an infallible sign. It is quite possible for some of the birds that are now making quite brave attempts at singing to turn out to be hens, and, on the other hand, there are many cocks that have not yet made any serious efforts at singing.

DAMAGED BEAKS (W. R. McG.).—As both the birds are affected in the same manner, I would advise you to look carefully into the wire-holes through which the birds get their food and water, and also examine the edges of the food and water vessels, to see if there is any jagged end of wire, or rough edge

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Creswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Norman's "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Norman's "Colour-feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Grey Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

of the vessels, which is likely to cause injury by friction or otherwise, and, if so, remove this cause, and the effect will soon disappear. If there is no such likely cause, paint the sore areas once with a small feather dipped in Friar's Balsam, and after this anoint them about every second day with Lanocyllin ointment for a week or two until they are well on the road to a healthy condition. Add a pinch of Epsom salts to the water for two or three days, and give a fairly liberal supply of green-food to keep the bowels rather free for a week or two.

TROUBLE WITH BEETLES (J. Young).—If your house is infested with beetles to such an extent that they invade the cages in any number, the only rational plan is to exterminate them from the house as far as possible. If not actually fraught with fatal results, and it may easily have this effect, their presence will be most detrimental, and give rise to frequent panics and other undesirable results. You should be careful to leave no scraps of waste food of any description about the house, and keep a "Demon" beetle trap or two set regularly every night, baited with a little stale beer, and transfer the contents each morning to a vessel of boiling water. If you carry on this warfare consistently, you will gain the upper hand in the end, and bring them to the point of harmlessness, if not absolute extinction. The beetles thus captured and destroyed would form a valuable item of food for the larger soft-billed birds you or any fancier friend might keep. If the stock is not reduced by some such means as this, I see no practical way of making the cages proof against their inroads other than keeping them on a rack which stands about an inch away from the

wall, has no direct contact with the ceiling, and with the bottom tier of cages raised about twelve or eighteen inches from the floor, and the legs protected with bands of thin zinc or tin sheets tacked closely all round each leg of the staging.

YOUNG DYING, AND MOULT (M. E. J.).—(1) Sorry, but without some particulars about your general treatment, and the condition of the birds, and the age at which the young died, I cannot hazard a guess at the cause of the young dying. You may, however, be quite assured that it was not caused by the young being kept in the same room as the parents, nor to the cock neglecting the hen. The most probable cause is that the hen did not attend to the young properly after rearing the young from the second round, but it may also be that your feeding was largely, if not solely, the cause. Your best plan is to get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," post free, for 7d., from this office, and be guided by the instructions in its pages for the next season. (2) You do not say whether you wish to colour feed them or not, but I assume not. In that case give a staple diet of plain canary seed, and in addition give separately every second day a half teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, black rape, teazel and broken groats, and a spray of green-food. Twice a week give each bird a small teaspoonful of egg food, or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed. When the new quills begin to appear on the head and neck add 20 drops of chemical food to the water three times a week for two or three weeks. Nothing else should be necessary. (3) As a rule, Canaries do not sing whilst they are moulting, but there are exceptions. The best method of getting the young cocks on song is to let them hear a good free-singing cock for a few weeks when the moult is drawing to a close; this will induce them to commence as soon as the effects of the moult have passed off.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

TROUBLE WITH LINNET (E.M.T.).—I should say your young Linnet has had an accident at some time and injured its foot. You cannot do better than treat it in the way you are doing, and when you are handling the bird massage the toes, for a few minutes, so as to keep them pliable. I would also advise you to give him several perches, each one of different thickness, the smallest about the size of a lead pencil. Give an aperient occasionally, such as a teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in three tablespoonfuls of water. Keep the cage floor and perches perfectly clean.

MOULTING A LARK (W. Cawson).—I quite agree with you that you should try to get your bird to moult this autumn; in fact, I think it absolutely necessary for him to do so. I have known birds to miss one moult and to all appearance be none the worse for it, but to miss the second one is usually fatal. Give it a change of temperature and extra exercise; if this fails gradually cover the cage with a thin cloth until the bird is almost in darkness, this, as a rule, throws him into a moult; to assist him put a shred or two of Meadow Saffron and 15 drops of whisky or rum in his drinking water. Do not be impatient, try the first remedy thoroughly, and if we should happen to experience a change of weather this will no doubt help to effect the desired result. If you have a small aviary you can turn him into I think you will find it "do the trick." I have found this to be one of the best ways to moult the Woodlark, which is a notoriously bad moulter in captivity; the extra exercise seems to work wonders. When you have managed to get him to commence his moult do not move him; keep him under the same conditions until he has finished. Let his food be particularly good and nourishing, and give him all the insect life you can collect.

TROUBLE WITH GREENFINCH (Mrs. M. King).—Greenfinches as a rule are particularly strong and healthy birds, and if treated on rational lines live for years in captivity without any serious ailments. I think you are treating your bird too liberally, and in addition you are giving no green food. I have no doubt that if you were to handle him you would find he is very fat. Make up the following mixture, 2 parts canary, 1 each rape and teazel. This will be his staple food. Give half a dozen sound sunflower seeds every other day, or if you can get some safflower seeds he may have same quantity every day. Collect fresh wild food daily, seeding grass, chickweed, groundsel, shepherd's purse, plantain, etc.; there are plenty about just now and these are much better than dry hard seeds. Occasionally soak a little teazel and rape and give just a cube of bread soaked in hot milk. Discontinue the cough mixture for a few days, but if you find his

breathing troublesome you had better give it on alternate days. He should have a good big cage and be allowed to bathe on all suitable occasions.

GOLDFINCH CANARY WITH DEFORMED FOOT (I. Keevil).—If I understand your letter rightly your bird has practically lost the use of one of its toes, and I also presume it is the hind one. To remedy this is not a very difficult matter; what you must do is to fasten it back to the leg and keep it there for a few days when you will probably find it has come back into place. Procure a strip of court plaster and after damping it bind it round the leg and hind toe, and hold the bird in the hand until it is quite dry. When you wish to remove it all you have to do is to soak it in warm water. Your perches should be on the small side, so that the bird can easily grip them. (2) It is impossible for me to tell you the value of your bird without seeing it. If it is a small, badly-shaped specimen it would only be worth the price of a songster, but a large shapely bird of good colour may be worth several pounds. I would advise you not to part with it until you have shown it to someone able to give you some idea of its proper value. Hybrids as a rule grow considerably after the first moult, and it may therefore pay you to keep him for another year.

MORE QUESTIONS (Inquisitive).—The bath is good for all birds and as a rule they are the best judges about when to take it, but in captivity it is as well to limit it to fine days, and to give it early in the morning and remove it at mid-day, whether they

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnets," No. 3 "Siskin," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

have made use of it or not. (2) Hybrids bred from say cock Bullfinch and hen Greenfinch would not be of more value than those bred in the usual way, that is, cock Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch. A good specimen of this cross or Goldie Bullie is as handsome as one could wish, and if you bred birds from the cock Bullie and placed them beside these specimens I am doubtful if even experts would know the difference. Anyway, there is no harm in your trying to produce them from the Bullfinch cock. (3) The Chaffinch-Bullfinch has not been produced, but the Greenfinch-Bullfinch and Linnets-Bullfinch are exhibited yearly. (4) The Greenfinch-Chaffinch is the latest addition to the list of Hybrids, so therefore we must presume it is the most difficult, but as all are difficult it would be as well to call it the most rare. Of the Canary crosses the Bullfinch Canary is the most troublesome to get; failure from pairs put together to produce these handsome birds is quite common.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

WHAT IS IT? (A.H.E.).—Your description is very vague, and in the absence of locality it came from, it is impossible to make any definite pronouncement as to its species; it is very probably a young bird, and if so will alter materially in its colouration during the next twelve months. It appears to me, however, that it is either a young or a female Ring-necked Parakeet. I am sorry, but unless you can give me more details I cannot be more definite.

AILING GREY (H. Van. D.).—Of course if the bird does not eat it can't recover, and you can't do much to alleviate the trouble till it is eating again. Full as your details are, it is difficult definitely to diagnose the trouble, but it is evident that the mouth or throat is affected, and an examination should be made as soon

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as the bird will permit it. In the same way as you got the bird to take the castor-oil, give a little honey and borax twice daily so long as you find the mouth or throat furled or slimy. Till the bowels have been thoroughly moved, the drinking-water should consist of equal parts of water and Dunneford's Magnesia; follow this by a course of phosphates, half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates to the ounce of water. Offer milk-sop, fairly stiff, till you see the bird taking its food again; put in the sop one-third of a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion. As soon as the bird is taking its ordinary diet again the milk sop can be gradually discontinued. The ordinary diet should consist of seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, biscuits, stale crusts, and of course, cuttlebone, grit, and water. Shall be pleased to hear how the bird progresses.

AVIARY QUERIES (H. A.).—(1) As I read your plan, the area covered by A. B. J. H. is to consist entirely of solid walls and a covered roof, save for lighting arrangement. Both the sleeping compartment and the covered flight must be made as light as a living room, or the birds will not use them, and all glass must be covered with wire on the inside. B. C. E. G. to be wire netting stretched on light wood framing, roof also of this, all to consist of wire-netting; but from B. to K. all round this part of the aviary the first 18 inches above ground should be match boarding, with wire-netting above this and over the roof; this protection is necessitated by the N.W. aspect. (2) The most effective treatment for all exterior wood-work (walls of shelter and covered flights and framing) is two coats of dark brown "solignum," picking out doors and windows in pale sea-green. The interior of shelter and covered flight must not be stained with solignum, but distempered with Hall's washable distemper—pale sea-green. The staining and distemping should be done before wire is stretched on; the wire should be painted with Brunswick Black, or bicycle black varnish. (3 and 4 included in No. 2.) B. to K. ground area should be planted with enonymus, laurel, acubia, cypress, and such creepers as wild clematis, ivy and virginia creepers, and rambler roses, the space between the bushes to be grass and herbage.

BUDGERIGARS (L. A. W.).—I am assuming that you have double as many husks or other receptacles in aviary as you have pairs of birds; also that there are several seed hoppers so that all are not compelled to gather round one vessel. Accommodation being correct, it is difficult to account for such mishaps, other than the idiosyncrasies of individual pairs, aided and abetted by climatic conditions, and at the end of the season a sort of tiring off, and again possibly the presence of parasites in the cocoanut husks. During recent weather husks under a glass roof would be almost

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Dr. Cresswell's "Hygiene of Bird-keeping" (1/1); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Goutian Finches," No. 16 "Aradavals," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

unbearable and quite sufficient to account for the trouble. I suggest the thorough ventilation of the apex of the glass gable, without draught of course, and whitewashing the glass during the summer months of the year. Also in the open part of flight a 12in. board being put all round the netting roof at right angles with the wood framing, and under this to hang several husks. During the summer months it is better to encourage the birds to nest in the open flight, but of course you must put something to throw rain off the top of husk.

GREY PARROT (Gun).—Paddy rice is obtainable from any of the large seed merchants advertising in our pages, but what you are giving will suffice. I have carefully read your details, and for the present you had better continue on the lines of our previous reply (I suggested possible cause). As soon as weather is more settled, open-air treatment will do more for it than anything else, but do not subject it to chill winds while it is out of condition. Give it some cod liver oil, ten to twenty drops, soaked into a piece of bread, biscuit, or plain cake, whichever the bird will take, daily for a time. The breast bone can always be felt, but when a bird is emaciated then it appears to have a knife-edge and almost to be cutting its way through, and the body, instead of being rounded, is more of the shape of a letter V. Instead of the old cane waste-paper basket, put a stoutish semi-rotten branch in one corner for him to wittle at and climb about on. Exercise outside his cage is good for him, and the attacks should get less and less in severity and gradually cease. Shall be pleased to hear how the bird progresses.

WHAT BIRD? (A. W.F.).—Your bird is either the Green Singing Finch or the St. Helena Seed-eater, very similar in plumage, but the latter is much the larger of the two, and also the yellows in its

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ACCRINGTON C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Crown Hotel, 8. Date for annual show and selection of judge.—D. Harwood.

ADDWICK AND MANCHESTER C.B.A.—Sept. 1, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Open question night. Election of judge for annual show.—J. Spencer.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.—Sept. 1, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Preparations for final table show, etc.—J. Whitehead.

AYR C.B.C.—Sept. 1. Election of sec. Classification for open show, etc.—R. Arthur, (Time not stated.—Ed.)

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, 8.30. Open show business.—J. H. Jones.

BOOTLE C.B.S.—Sept. 1, St. Andrew's Hall, 8. Members please rally, as Mr. Hamilton has been called on active service. Important business.—S. Hamilton.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET, AND PELTON FELL (AMAL.)—Aug. 29, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, 6.30. Table show and other business. Linnets or Twite, Siskin or Redpoll, Softbill, Bunting.—R. Ward.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.—Sept. 1, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Open show business. Very important.—W. Cruse.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.—Aug. 29, Flying Dutchman, 8. General business.—W. Helliwell.

BRADFORD NATIONAL SHOW.—Sept. 2, Market Tavern, 8. Important business.—S. Midgley.

BRAMLEY O.S.—Aug. 29, Carnival Rooms, 8. Important. All members must attend.—F. Page.

BRIDLINGTON AND DRIFFIELD C.B.S.—Sept. 1, 20, Prospect Street, 8. Arrangement for annual show.—J. Chadwick.

BRISTOL C.B.S.—Sept. 2, City Hotel, 8. Table show of young birds and British.—B. Pool.

BLAYDON C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Co-op. Library, 7.30. To consider whether we should have our annual show and other important business. Members please attend this important meeting.—G. Haver.

BOLTON C.B.S.—Sept. 1, Joiners' Arms, 8.—J. Gerrard.

BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.—Sept. 1, New Inn, 8. Schedule for open show.—A. Wood.

CHORLEY C.B.S.—Sept. 2, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Important business.—J. H. Welch.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Sept. 1, Clock House, Clapham Park Road, 8.30.—T. J. Hose.

CODNOR PARK AND EASTWOOD C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Three Tuus, Eastwood, 7. Important.—Smith and Lees.

COVENTRY O.S.—Sept. 2, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Important business. Re open show and classes.—A. Green.

DERBY C.B.S.—Aug. 29, Normantol Hotel, 7.45. Election of visiting committee. General business.—F. W. Jordan.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.—Sept. 1, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, 8.—A. G. Cant.

plumage a little more intense than those of the former. If you are acquainted with the G. Singing Finch, and know its size, and your bird is larger, then you'll be safe in assuming yours is a St. Helena Seed-eater; both are *Ferinus* and crosses from both species have been reared with the domestic Canary, and you should ultimately succeed.

WILL THEY BREED? (Canadian).—Bib Finches have bred on more than one occasion in a cage, and there is no reason why they should not breed with you. Give them a cage to themselves, not smaller than a Canary double-breeder with all the partitions removed. Put a rush nest at each end of the cage, and fix a twiggy branch in front of them. A Canary nest-bag will answer for nesting material. Diet: canary and white millet seeds, an occasional millet spray, green food, grit, cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing. As regards Grey Java Sparrows, these have bred in a cage, and the treatment is similar to above, but even in an aviary the Grey is a shy breeder, but the White variety is much more free.

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MRS. ROBERTS.—It is a pity you did not explain the circumstances when you first wrote me; it would have saved time and trouble. The bird died as the result of bowel trouble. You should read carefully the rules as laid down in CAGE BIRDS.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

BIRD-CATCHING (G. Page): A reply was sent by post to the address which you gave, and has been returned marked "not to be found."

EAST HAM F.S.—Sept. 3, Earl of Wakefield, 8. General meeting to complete arrangements for young stock show. Intending members can obtain full particulars from hon. sec., W. Kite, 97, Bartle Avenue, East Ham, or B. H. Jackson, hon. assist. sec., 256, Halley Road, East Ham.

EDINBURGH NOR. AND M.B.S.—Sept. 3, 142, High Street, 8. F.F. show settlement, annual show arrangements, and general business.—J. Stormont.

HIGHGATE, HAMPESTEAD AND DIST. C.B.S.—Owing to many members being on their holidays, meeting fixed for Aug. 31 has been cancelled.—J. Hyde

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.—Sept. 1, Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, 8.30. Questions and answers.—P. Brooke.

HYSON GREEN C.B.S.—Sept. 1, headquarters, 8. Show arrangements.—A. E. Moulton.

IDLE AND DIST. C.B.S.—Sept. 2, White Bear Inn, 8.30. Important business.—C. E. Hyllton.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.—Sept. 2, Railway Hotel, 8. Stewards for Oct. show, and general business.—W. H. Symes.

LARKHALL C.B.A.—Sept. 5, Y.M. Halls, 7. Classification for annual show.—A. Thomson.

LEICESTER HAND-IN-HAND C.B.S.—Sept. 1, White Swan, 8.30. Lecture by Mr. E. H. Hulse.—A. Freestone.

LONG EATON C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Sawley Road C. Schools, com. 7, members 7.30. Important business. A full attendance is desirable.—G. Baines.

MACCLESFIELD C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Daybrook Street School, 7.45. Washing exhibition and selection of judge for back-end show.—H. Hall.

MANCHESTER AND N. COUNTIES O.S.—Sept. 7, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open question night and debate. Make a special effort to attend.—F. Wilkinson.

MIDDLESEX O.S.—Sept. 3, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8.—J. Jefferis.

MORPETH C.B.S.—Aug. 29, Earl Grey Hotel, 7.30. Important.—W. Summers.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Purves' Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Re holding open show. Full attendance is requested. Re give money for N.F. show tickets.—J. W. Reed.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.—Sept. 3, headquarters, 7.45. Questions and answers, also very important business connected with annual show.—Burton Bros.

NORTHERN BORDER AND S.F.C.C.—Sept. 2, Pillar's Cafe, 8.—M. C. Potts.

OXFORD C.B.S.—Sept. 2, "Welsh Pony," George Street, 8. Committee meeting, important; open show business.—A. F. Fifield.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY C. AND C.B.S.—Aug. 29, headquarters, 7. Very important business left over from last meeting, re diplomas and other matters.—J. S. Jones.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.—Aug. 29, Old Bear's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Important show business.—A. Percival.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Granby Hotel, 8. Very important.—W. Jagger.

RADCLIFFE C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8.—G. Lord.

READING C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Palmer Hall, 8. Is it advisable to hold annual show? Members earnestly requested to attend. If unable to attend, please write secretary stating if, or if not, in favour of holding show.—O. C. Smith.

RICHMOND (SURREY) C.B.S.—Aug. 31, St. John's Hall, Richmond, 8. Pay out prize-money F.F. show.—W. Nichols.

ROCHDALE AND DIST. AFFILIATED C.B.S.—Aug. 29, Rochdale O.C. Club, Clarke's Place, 7.30. Lecture on points judging by Mr. R. Blincoe: a good attendance is requested.—W. Adams.

ROCHDALE GOOD INTENT C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Temperance Club, 8. General business, show business, etc.—W. Adams.

ROSSENDALE C.B.S.—Sept. 1, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Completing of schedule for annual show.—H. Wantling.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.—Aug. 29, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Show business.—Taylor and Bailey.

RUNCORN B.B.A.—Sept. 4, headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Show business.—E. Rome.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.—Aug. 29, headquarters, 7.30. Schedule for open show. Will markets please bring in their lists at this meeting.—J. Peacock.

SHILFIELD C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Lecture by Mr. L. Fallding, and important business.—A. Hobson.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.—Sept. 1, Liberal Club, 8. Making arrangements for open show.—F. Hampshire.

STOCKTON-ON-TEES C.B.S.—Sept. 3, Little Regent Inn, 8. Important.—J. W. Lowes.

SHIPLEY O.S.—Sept. 2, Victoria Hotel, 8. Open show.—E. Crange.

SOUTHAMPTON P.P. AND C.B.A.—Sept. 2, Bedford Hotel, 8. Consider advisability of abandoning open show; pass revised rules.—G. J. Slade.

WINDSOR C.B.S.—Sept. 2, Star and Garter Hotel, 8.30. Re the annual show.—H. Simms.

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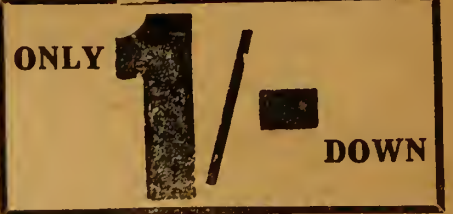
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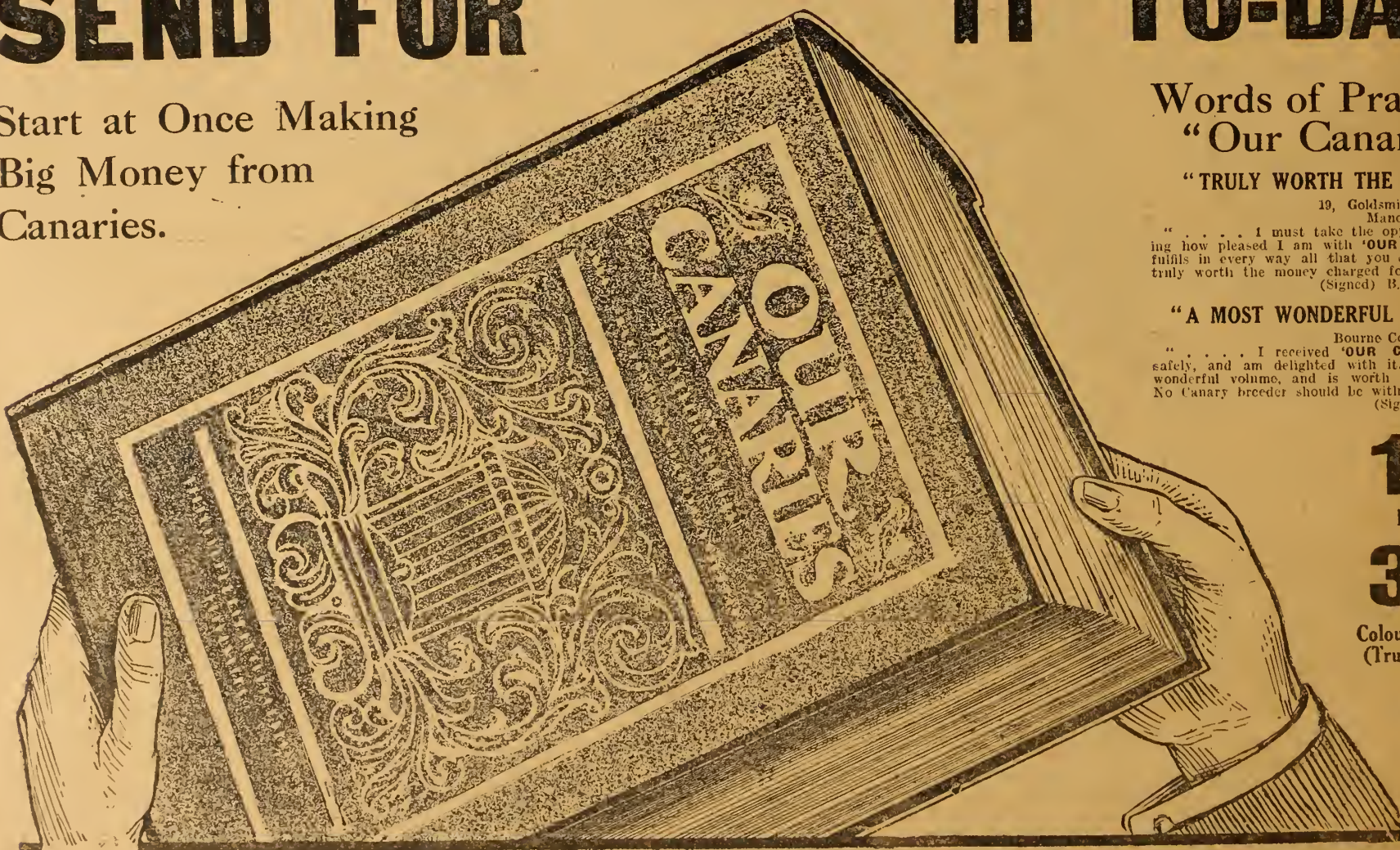
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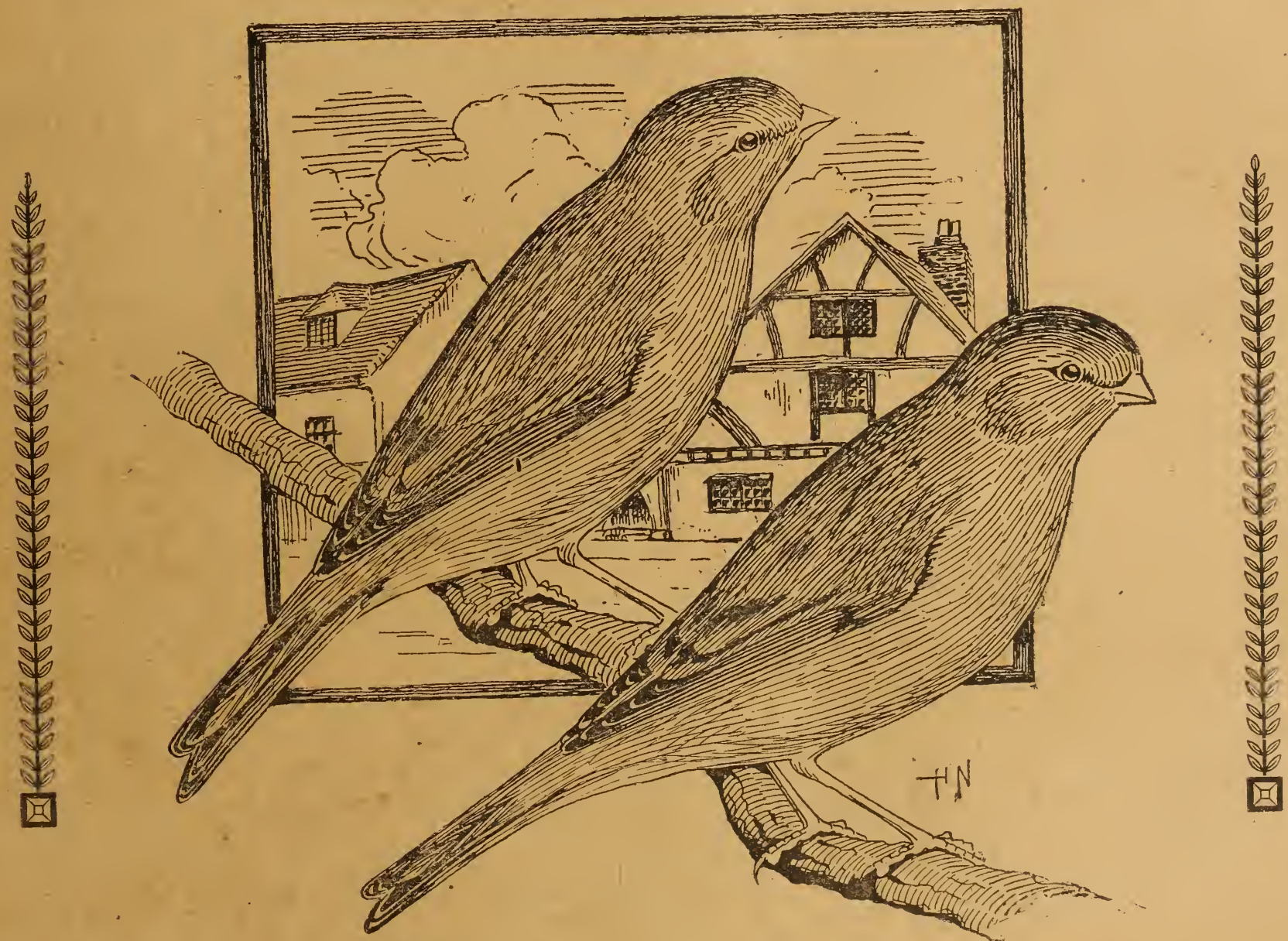
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10,000 pairs young Norwich and Yorkshires, 4-6 pair, hens 1/6 each: Howard & Son, Largest Live Stock Exporters, 10, Huntingdon-buildings, Bethnal Green, London. Est. 53 years. (1747)

CANARIES

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FOR sale, good pair Linnet nets, complete, or exchange good strong gent's bike: Wing, Chapel-st., Wisbech. (1758)

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EXCHANGE a good Magpie, says a few words, make a splendid talker, for working men's clothes or offers: R. Rolfe, 35, Shepherd's Lane, Beaconsfield, Bucks. (1760)

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EXCHANGE two hand-reared, 1914, Song Thrushes, two ditto Missel Thrushes, one young Greytail, for two hen Norwich, 1914 birds; sell 5/- or offer: W. Evans, 3, Ildeos-terr., Llanidloes. (1759)

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SMALL Foreign birds for sale, good health; exchange for acetylene bike lamp or small variety out of: Howell, Potton, Beds. (1758)

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The Midland Roller C.C. have decided to hold their annual open show as usual. The date is fixed for November 5 and 6.—T. J. Smith.

Mr. F. Carlin has been elected president and Mr. J. Inman vice-president of the Clay Cross C.B.S.; our late president, Mr. G. Bescoly, having resigned.—J. Griffiths, sec.

As will be seen from the advertisement on page 101, Messrs. Spratt's Patent are making no advance in the prices of their well-known Cod Liver Oil Food and Red Colour Food.

A general meeting of the Scottish British Bird and Mule Club will be held at 142, High Street, Edinburgh, on Sept. 19, at 4, writes Mr. J. Allan, sec. Clubs applying for patronage should have their application in, along with fee, not later than Sept. 12.

The directors of E. Griffiths Hughes (Kruschen), Ltd., desire to make it known that there is no German or Austrian capital, no German or Austrian labour, and no person of German or Austrian nationality connected or interested in any shape or form with Kruschen Salts. The whole of the staffs and employees are being retained, and business will be conducted as usual.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Fletcher Nicholson.

It is with the deepest sorrow, writes Mr. J. Nicholson, of Maryport, that I have to inform you of the death of our eldest brother, Fletcher Nicholson, on Aug. 27, after a long illness and much suffering from the dreadful disease cancer; aged 57 years. He had been a very keen naturalist and fancier all his life, and at the time of his death had a nice stock of Yorkshires, in which he took keen interest right up to his death. Although he had not been exhibiting for a good many years, many of your readers will remember the firm of Nicholson Bros., Flimby. He leaves a widow, two sons, and four daughters, also five brothers and two sisters, to mourn his loss.

We hear that the following societies have decided to cancel their open shows: East Perthshire O.A., Frome F.A., Morpeth C.B.S., while those of the following have been postponed indefinitely: Brighton and Hove C.B.A., Markinch P.P. and C.B.S. It is gratifying to be able to gather from the small number of notices of abandonment that the large majority of societies are endeavouring to hold their shows as arranged. Many societies are coming to a decision at their next meeting, as will be seen from our Club Notices column, and it is hoped that these meetings will be largely attended so that the question of abandonment or non-abandonment may have full consideration.

A Well-known Cage Bird Judge to the Front.

Owing to having been called up with the Territorial Force I shall be unable to attend to judging engagements, and shall have to cancel same. Secretaries might write me to following address: Sergt. J. W. Bruce, No. 3 Com., 5th K.O.S.B., Tillicoultry, Clackmannanshire.

Six Additions to Scottish Avifauna.

The "Report on Scottish Ornithology in 1913" records the fact that during 1913 several new birds were added to the Scottish list, "one of them being also new to the European avifauna," while in addition a great many uncommon visitors were recorded. The additions to the Scottish birds comprise the Dusky Willow Warbler, Phylloscopus fuscatus, found in Aukerry (the first recorded appearance in any part of Europe); the lesser Grey Shrike, Lanius minor, procured on Fair Isle; the melodious Warbler, Hippolais polygotta; the Indian Stonechat, Saxicola torquata Indica; the Gull-billed Tern, Sterna nilotica; and the Scandinavian Lesser Black-backed Gull, Larus fuscus fuscus.

CANARIES FOR THE HOSPITALS.

IN our issues of Aug. 22 and Aug. 29 appeared a suggestion to our readers that they might individually and with little cost help to ameliorate the condition of the brave soldiers who would be sent back wounded from the war. Time alone will show the number of our heroic defenders who will be incapacitated; they are already being brought back to the land which they left in high spirit only a week or so ago, and even if the war into which we have been forced should continue but for a little while, the first batch of sufferers will inevitably be supplemented by hundreds of their comrades.

With the true spirit of British soldiers, the wounded men make light of their injuries, and the demeanour of those who have not been hurt beyond the power of demonstration would suggest rather that they were returning from a picnic rather than from a bloody struggle against overpowering numbers. Nevertheless, into hospital they have to go, and the hopes of many of them that they may have another bout with the enemy will be long of fulfilment. In the meantime, quite apart from their sufferings, they have to experience the monotony of a sick bed, and this monotony would be materially lessened by the presence in the ward of a singing Canary. Many of our "Tommies" are bird fanciers, and the song of one of their favourites would make them forget their sufferings, while there are few indeed whose tedium would not be relieved by the music of the birds.

We knew we should not make the appeal in vain, and the response has been fully met our expectations. Lady readers, as might have been anticipated, are conspicuous among the senders of promises, and their coupons are in many cases accompanied by sympathetic letters.

Generous as the response has been, there still remain many of our readers who have not yet signified their intention of helping to minimise the tedium of the hospital ward to our heroes who have been laid low in an heroic struggle, and we reprint the coupon for their signature.

Canaries for the Hospitals

I am willing, if called on any time during the next twelve months, to supply free of cost one singing cock Canary and small travelling cage, to be presented as a gift to any Hospital or Convalescent Home applying for same

Name.....
Address (in full)
Date.....

To the Editor, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London.

Readers who cannot make any definite promise at the present moment may mark their promise "if possible."

When we have received the necessary number of promises, we will then ascertain how many hospitals and homes for wounded soldiers require these gifts, and we will deal with all applications and gifts in the order in which they are received. All promises will be acknowledged in the columns of CAGE BIRDS, and the ultimate destination of each bird will also be announced as soon as possible.

PARS FROM THE POST-BAG.

We have space for a few only of the many kind letters received, and these are taken at random as follows:—

Sir,—I think your idea is a noble one and worthy of the support of every fancier. I have much pleasure in adding my mother's as well as my own name to your list.
ROBERT YOUNG.
Newcastle.

Pass Your Spare Coupons Along.
Sir,—Will be very pleased to forward a bird; your idea is good. I gave my spare coupon to a friend, and you will find it filled up herewith.
A. E. BRAND.
Brechin.

Will Give Two.
Sir,—I have much pleasure in offering two good singing Canaries to be given to the hospitals. You can let me know when you are ready for them and I will send them off.
A. LEITCH.
Glasgow.

A Pretty Letter from a Little Scotch Girl.
Sir,—I am just three and a half years old, and I like to hear the birds singing very much, so will be very pleased if you accept one of my birds for the soldiers who are doing so much for our country.
MARGARET G. B. UDALL.
Aberdeen.

Sir,—It will be my pleasure to give a singing cock Canary for your splendid scheme for our brave wounded soldiers, and will send it when and where you please, and will also see that it is no disgrace to the sender. Wishing your scheme that success which I am sure it deserves.
JOHN FARRAR.
Bradford.

Helping with Both Hands.
Sir,—I would like to add another bird to help cheer up the wounded. I had already promised my best bird to be sold for the War Relief Fund, but have other very nice birds coming on. I should have sent before but did not get my CAGE BIRDS for two weeks, so did not see your appeal until now. I enclose the coupon and hope that the cheery little messenger will fulfil his mission when he is needed.
(Miss) M. EVANS.
High Wycombe.

One of the Best.
Sir,—I shall be pleased to send a cock Roller Canary fit to be put on any show bench. One that I have bred myself from one of the finest strains in England. Young Rollers are not quite in condition yet for song, but if you want one soon I will send my best bird in.
W. F. BUTIN.
London.

Judge Silk Will Give "Two or More."
Sir,—Glad to give you two or more Norwich, which would help cheer the wounded. They will be colour-fed and look well and sing well. No doubt it would interest your readers to know that I have sent birds to Wales and Scotland since the war started, and they got through in good time. This goes to prove that the railways are still in good working order. Fanciers should get good results from your "Hints on how to cheapen the food bill."
A. E. SILK.

Too Much of a Good Thing!

In 1863 a number of English Skylarks imported by the Royal Zoological and Acclimatisation Society of Victoria were liberated in the neighbourhood of Melbourne, while other consignments were received and turned out in 1857, 1870, 1872 and 1873-4. A number were also liberated near Sydney in 1870. Of late years these birds have much increased in the districts around Melbourne, where, according to a communication in the July number of the "Victorian Naturalist," they have been causing considerable loss to market gardeners and horticulturists generally by destroying seedlings and young plants of cabbage, cauliflowers, radishes, turnips, and lettuces. That Larks were the culprits was fully demonstrated by an examination of the crops of cove that had been killed. These were found to be crammed with seeds and other vegetable matter, and contained no insects, though the latter at the time were unusually numerous. As the communication referred to is signed by Mr. C. French, the Government entomologist, it may be regarded as thoroughly trustworthy.

Neets of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Correspondence.

How Can Slugs and Snails be Trapped?

SIR,—I have plenty of slugs or garden snails in my garden; the marks of their wanderings during the night are plainly visible, but all my efforts to produce a trap to catch them have failed. Can anyone advise?

R. V. WAGNER.

A Soldier's Birds to be Dispersed.

SIR,—I am sending herewith an advertisement from Mrs. C. Lloyd, Chapel-on-Leader, Earlston, who wrote me some days ago to try to dispose of her husband's entire stock of high-class Borders. She states that she knows little or nothing about them, and thought it better to part with them while in condition. I called on Saturday and selected one or two which I will keep until Mr. Lloyd returns home (let us hope amongst the victorious), and I am sure that nothing will please him better than a look at even these few from his stock, from which he has been so suddenly separated. In his spare moments, which I expect will be but few just now, he will see every one in his mind's eye along with his wife and children at home.

J. PATTERSON.

[The advt. appears under "Borders."—Ed.]

A White House Sparrow.

SIR,—I have been a reader of CAGE BIRDS for a considerable time, and I am sending you the following, which may interest your many readers:—In my garden here a couple of ordinary House Sparrows elected to build a nest in the high branches of a plane tree. The young hatched out over a fortnight ago, and I was astonished to notice one of the hatch to be white in colour. To encourage the birds to remain about the place, I scattered every morning a plentiful supply of canary and hemp seed, as well as wheat and bread, the latter soaked in milk. When I observed that the white youngster was doing for himself I got made a cage 6ft. long 3ft. wide and 2ft. high. I tilted the cage about six inches (just as boys do with a riddle) and led a strong cord to my bedroom, 25ft. away. For a whole week I got out of bed at four in the morning and patiently watched until ten o'clock, but my white friend would not venture inside. Dozens of others went in freely, but not he. However, my patience has been rewarded, and the bird is now in my aviary, in company with 50 or 60 other

feathered friends, and he is quite happy. The bird is as near as possible to being as white as the paper on which I am writing. There is not a brown or shaded feather on his body, wings, or tail. The feather quills are pure white. His eyes are beautiful; they resemble a rich soft ruby, almost blood-red. His beak is yellow, not such a deep yellow as a male Blackbird, and his legs are white. I have written of the bird as being a male, but I cannot tell the sex. I am only a novice and keep the birds for the purpose of instilling in my children a love of animals and birds.

WILLIAM WATT.

How Did Birds Originate?

SIR,—No reply having been made by Mr. Wells to my letter I conclude he has either been called away from his ordinary duties in the present crisis, or, unable to acquire the necessary evidence, has abandoned his dogmatic position, conscious of defeat. If the former, surely come one of those who reflected his views and shared his belief in reptilian origin might have had courage enough to advance to his standard. What is the truth? Not one single proof on the barest shred of evidence that could carry the slightest influence on the open mind of any of your readers. No attempt has been made to enlighten us on the law or agent at work in the physiological transformation of his winged reptile into the bird. He has not told us how that physical change took place, who witnessed it, or if it ever came within the knowledge and experience of mankind. He has not given the name of any reputable and responsible scientist who will prove that a bird ever evolved from a reptile. Still less can he name an authority who accepts as an established fact the theory that all variations in type had one common ancestor. For his assertion that life as we know it existed in the materials of a stagnant pool I have the utmost contempt. Profuse in assertion, liberal in self-conceit, but painfully barren in substantial facts he has no argument. His winged reptilian theory has a place only in a mentally arrested development. A bird has ever been a bird so far as human knowledge is concerned. A reptile has never been other than a reptile, and no law or agent known to man can ever make them otherwise. What is the last word on the question? Prof. Batson, a few days ago in Melbourne, showed how the Darwinian theory was dwindling before the advance of modern research and

declared "that variation, therefore, now stood out as a physiological event," and gave examples to show that there was no proof that domestic animals had been developed from wild types, that modern research lent not the smallest encouragement to the view that evolution arose by the transformation of masses of individuals. I am not as Mr. Wells thinks a "disbeliever in the evolution theory." As a working theory it may have served a purpose philosophically, but as theory is not science, and never can be, it has no place in the verified testimony of exact truth. So the theory of "Bird Origin" will remain a theory, an intellectual quagmire into which Mr. Wells and Co. have fallen, and are unable to extricate themselves. A. M'LEAN.

The Fertility of Goldfinches.

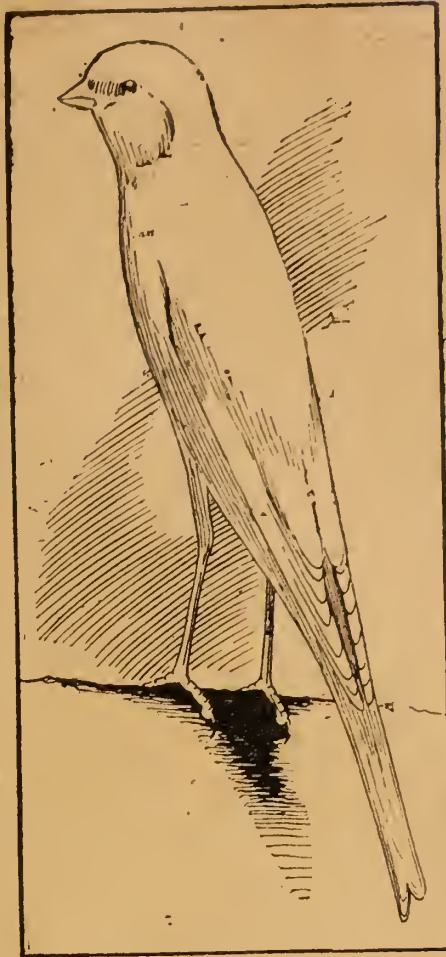
A Record Which Will be Hard to Beat.

SIR,—Reading in CAGE BIRDS about the fertility of Goldfinches reminds me of a Goldie I caught some years ago at a place called Colliwell, or Collihole, about four miles from Crediton, a week before Christmas; he was a very late bird, and had not finished his moult. He bred the following season very early; in fact, he beat my tried old birds in starting. He fertilised 37 eggs the first year, and out of these I had 36 young. The 37th egg was pulled out over the nest just on the point of hatching. The next season I had 65 good eggs; I did not take a note of the number that hatched out of them. This was the best Finch I ever had for breeding, and I have had a few good ones in my time. Is this the record?

R. ELSTON.

How to Cheapen the Food Bill.

SIR,—Re the cheap feeding of birds at the present critical moment, Canaries as well as Softbills will eat greedily gentles prepared in the way Mr. Weston advocates. A panich is as prolific as anything for breeding them, and if afterwards covered with bran there is no smell; the gentles fall to the bottom as they ripen, and clean themselves in the bran. My birds will eat hawthorn berries; also I take some fine biscuit meal and scald it, and when cold I add a good handful of barley meal and sharps mixed, a handful of gentles, a hard-boiled egg, and some chopped onion (the green ends or any kind, chopped fine), some lettuce, or chickweed, dandelion, groundsel, apple, potatoes, carrots, peas, or just what is to hand, and this is devoured by all the birds, Cuckoos included, only these have more egg and a good piece of chopped raw or cooked beef. The big heads of sunflowers are now ripening, and elderberries



CLEAR YORKSHIRE COCK.
1st at Leyton for Mr. E. T. Bush, Tottenham.

and privet; the two last can generally be found growing wild; also plantain is in plenty just now, and blackberries are coming on apace, and flowering grass. My birds also eat savoy or any kind of cabbage, and will strip one to a skeleton when other green-food is short. Slices of dry bread are acceptable, or for a change milk may be poured over them, and maw seed or a little sugar sprinkled over. (MRS.) E. M. SARGEANT.

TO ABANDON OR NOT ABANDON?

SOME VIEWS ON THE QUESTION.

An Abertillery Fancier Votes for the Prince of Wales's Fund.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand Unanimous in "Carrying On."
SIR,—Owing to the national crisis a special meeting of the Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. was held at the White Swan Hotel, August 28th, to consider the advisability of having an open show. It was unanimously decided we should adhere to the nation's motto: "Business as Usual," therefore our open show will take place on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 5th and 6th. The classification will be as previous show and novices will be well catered for. There will be no classes cancelled or amalgamated and prize money will be guaranteed. We are confident that the fanciers who have supported us in the past will again respond to the call and help to make this well-known fixture a success.

A. FREESTONE, HON. SEC.

Bristol F.A. Will Give All Its Profits to the Red Cross Society.

SIR,—I shall be glad if you can spare space for this explanation of delay in issue of schedule of our show fixed for Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Our hall was for a time actually in the occupation of the War Office, and I suppose the fashionable course would have been for us to cancel. But our view was that the show work such as printing schedule, etc., penning, staging, and other matters, all involve the employment of much labour, and we felt it to be our duty not to throw this out so long as there was hope. We have, therefore, been meeting at short intervals to watch developments, and the hall is now free, and the printer hard at work on the schedules. I hope these will be ready by Sept. 7. Entries will remain open until Sept 19 (five days' later than the usual date), and I hope exhibitors will as a result enter promptly.

All profits are to be handed to the Red Cross Society, and so that there shall be something to hand over whether we make a profit or not, we intend to give the Red Cross Society ten per cent. of amount received for tickets sold prior to the show.

G. T. H. MAGGS.

Why the Manchester & N.C.O.S. Show was Postponed.

SIR,—I have read with great interest the letters published in CAGE BIRDS on the show question. I may say that at the last two meetings of the M. and N.C. O.S. the question has been very freely discussed, with the result that we decided to postpone our show indefinitely. When discussing the question of holding a large open show this season we must take into consideration the fact that the majority of exhibitors are working men, few of whom are at present in full employment. The question arises, will these exhibitors be in a financial position to support the shows with good entries? Then again, there is carriage of the birds to be considered. We cannot say at present what the railway companies will be able to undertake in live-stock carrying. This is of the greatest importance to the Manchester show, as exhibits are sent from all over the United Kingdom. Unfortunately, the societies connected with the cage bird fancy have not, as a rule, a large banking account, and therefore cannot

afford to run shows at a loss. No doubt the cancelling of these exhibitions will have some effect on the fancy, but I feel sure that our hobby is strong enough to stand the strain of one bad season without any fear of extinction. Mr. Allsopp brings forward the question of societies disbanding, and offers some very good suggestions, which I hope fanciers will take note of. I may say that, with the object of keeping our members interested, the Manchester N.C.O.S. are holding an open question debate on September 7, when all fanciers are invited to attend. I hope that secretaries of societies and those interested in the running of shows will accept the hospitality of the columns of CAGE BIRDS, and give their opinions on this important matter for the benefit of the fancy.

F. HAYWARD,

Hon. Sec. M. and N.C.O.S.

For the National Relief Fund.

SIR,—I heartily join Mr. Allsopp in his efforts to hold the Fancy together during the dark times we are passing through, owing to this iniquitous war which has been forced upon us by Germany. The cage bird Fancy has sent many a member to the front to uphold the glory of our Empire, and we all find it hard to go about our daily work while our thoughts are with them. During this terrible time the horror of war must be always uppermost in our minds. It is those at home who have to bear the suspense and uncertainty, and those are all more or less cowards who would throw away any chance of added enjoyment which may help to cheer and break such dark thoughts. In the first place let us wish that the war may come to a speedy end, and let us have our loved ones home again amongst their own hobbies and pleasures. Those at the front will never wish other fanciers to sit with doleful faces and idle hands, and see the Fancy and shows in general thrown over for this season. Societies which have any funds in hand at all and can at all see their way clear ought in fairness to go on with their shows as formerly and no one will thank them more fervently than our brave Tommies at the front.

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We as fanciers ought to do all within our power to see that the shows are carried through successfully by giving a helping hand financially where required. I am very pleased to read Mr. Crawhall's letter wherein he states that the Newcastle society had a decided feeling against abandoning the show altogether; this is just what one would expect from the Newcastle fanciers, who are true sportsmen. As a further inducement for them to go on with their show as usual, if they agree to accept an offer from me, I will provide the prize money for a class on behalf of the National Relief Fund; all birds entered to be sold by auction and advertised in local papers before show. This, I am sure, would bring a good entry from fanciers, and a large number of visitors, as nearly everyone is taking a deep interest in above fund, and all households are anxious for a Canary. With every wish for the success of our fanciers and army at the front. J. PATTERSON.

A Vote for the Prince of Wales's Fund.

SIR,—While I was looking over CAGE BIRDS' last issue I was very much surprised to find that a number of societies are abandoning their open show this season, because of the present crisis. Now, Mr. Editor, I consider that each society has a splendid opportunity to make its existence known and to make patrons for the future, who under ordinary circumstances are very difficult to obtain, especially so in towns where the hobby is not so very popular. I must admit that my idea will mean a little sacrifice as regards each societies' funds, and each member would have to work a little more. My suggestion is this, that each society run their show as usual and give the entire profit to the Prince of Wales's Fund. Of course, I know that under ordinary circumstances every show does not pay, but I have no hesitation in saying that every society would have this year a handsome return because it would be for a good cause. My idea is for every member to have a book and collect as much as he can, and I consider he would have no trouble to get a large amount, for I am sure the tickets would go like fire. As for special prizes I know that every patriotic tradesman would willingly give, and these would be an extra draw in the way of entries. Now, Mr. Editor, I should like to have your opinion on this matter as well as that of other fanciers and exhibitors. A. E. MOULE.

SOFT-BILLS AS CAGE BIRDS

A practical article upon the keeping of some of our most popular Soft-bills. By "Old Hand."

ON account of its hardness and tameness, the Song Thrush is undoubtedly the most popular of the "Soft-billed" cage birds. Given a fair amount of room, a Song Thrush will live for ten or twelve years in a cage. I say "Song" because there are two kinds, similar at a glance. "Turdus musicus," our bird, is smaller than "T. viscivorus," or "Missel Thrush." The latter is not such a good songster, its note being much more shrill, and lacking the melody of the former. It is also much wilder, and therefore less suitable for the cage.

Before we speak of the Thrush's cage life, let us have a look at his domestic affairs. When the spring is fairly mild, the nest may be found during the last week in March, but the time varies three weeks either way, according to the weather. The nest is a very strong structure, being composed of roots, straw, and hay, cemented inside with mud mixed with rotten wood, without any other lining whatever. I have found them half-full of water during wet seasons. Hedges seem to be the usual building place, but hollies and trees over-grown with ivy are also selected. The eggs, which usually number five, are sky-blue in colour, spotted with black.

In about fourteen days the youngsters appear, and look rather uncomfortable without a feather bed upon which to lie. When about three weeks old they are practically fledged and soon dash out of the nest if interfered with. They are fed by the parents chiefly on insects, grubs, etc., until they can look after themselves, when the old birds do a little spring-cleaning and prepare for a second brood, two nests of young being usually reared in a season.

How the Wild Thrush Lives.

The food of the Thrush is mostly of an animal nature, snails, slugs, worms, etc., forming the chief menu. Fruit and berries are also eaten, the berries of privet, mountain ash, and hawthorn being eagerly sought after. During winter, when animal life is scarce, they may be seen round corn stacks pecking at the ears of corn. Holly berries are also eaten, but not before everything else has gone; they seem to be the last resource on the frostiest days. Practically all the year the Thrush is in song, but during spring and early summer it is at its best. As soon as the sun is up, one may hear the cock bird say, in high pitched tone, "Stick to it," "Stick to it," "You're beat," "You're beat," as if to encourage the hen to stick to her task.

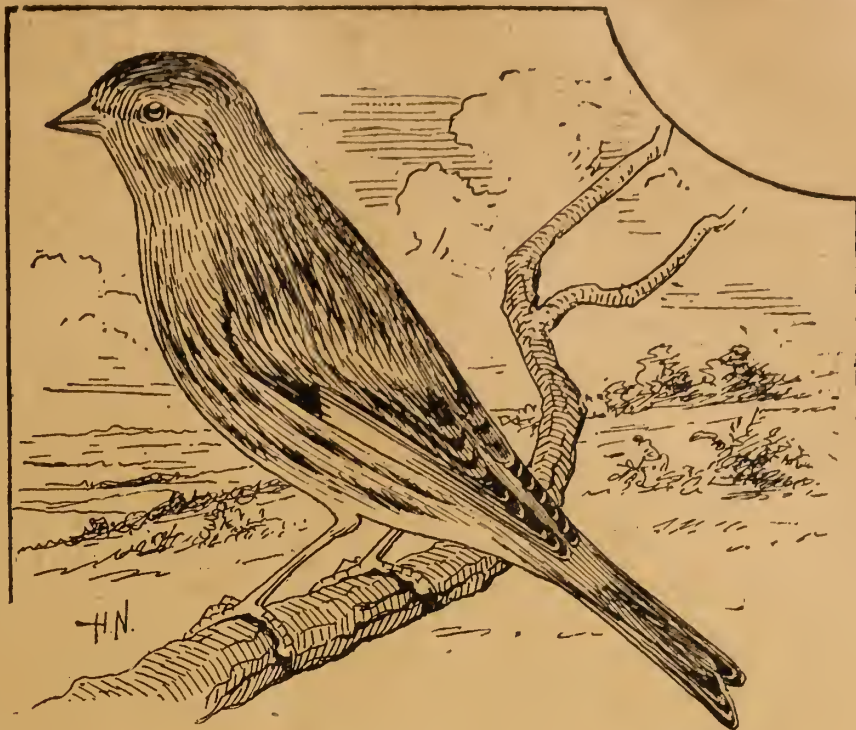
Hand-reared birds are by far the most suitable to keep, as they are much steadier than caged old ones, so we will go into the process of bringing them up. The best time to take the brood is just as the feathers begin to break. If taken later they will sulk and refuse to gape, and therefore die of starvation. The nest should be taken with the youngsters therein, and placed in a small box, just large enough to keep it upright.

The food which I have used with success is the following: stale bread, about one-third of a slice, soaked in boiling water, and left to get cool. Strain off most of the water, leaving just enough to make it sloppy. Chop up finely half the yolk of a hard-boiled egg, and crush enough hemp seed so that when the kernel is sifted from the husk, there is a teaspoonful. Mix together and feed as follows: an old penholder or piece of wood, shaved off each side to look like the blade of a knife, forms an excellent feeder. Get the tiniest morsel on the end of it, and touch the edge of the nest till the young birds gape. Drop the food into their mouths as long as they will take it, and give a drop or two of water after feeding to prevent them choking. Do not give too much food at once or too big pieces. About three pieces seem to be enough for one feed, not forgetting the drop of water.

Keep on Doing It.

"Little and often should they be fed, early and late the time." The first feed should be as early as possible, the last before going to bed. Never handle them, as this seems to be fatal to them. The nest should be kept quite clean, removing the droppings as they appear. I found an old teaspoon very useful for this purpose, and always kept it in the box. Make the food fresh every morning, and keep it just warm, not too warm, or it will go sour. Scald all utensils every morning before using them, for if they are sour the birds will probably get diarrhoea. When they get a few feathers, a few ants' eggs and a sprinkle of fine sand in their food helps them on considerably. The great secret in rearing birds is early feeding, cleanliness, and non-interference.

When they get fairly well feathered the nest should be put into a fair sized cage with sand on the bottom. The youngsters will soon find their way out of the nest and try to pick for themselves. The food should then be placed inside the cage near the wires. They will soon call out when hungry, and come to the wires. Poke the stick through the wires into the food,



The best Novice Linnet at the Crystal Palace, exhibited by Mrs. G. Edwards, Leominster.

and then into their mouths; when they have had enough, they will return to the nest to sleep. They will soon find out where the food is, and begin to peck themselves. When this happens, shake hands with yourself, for success is coming fast.

As They Get Older.

Do not alter the food all at once, but put some egg-food made less sloppy, and some packet food made according to directions, in separate dishes. Put also a shallow vessel of water in the cage for drinking purposes. Gradually withdraw the egg-food and place a few pieces of cut-up worms, snails, or meat in its stead. When these are eaten freely the birds may be separated and put into cages by themselves.

The food now should be some good packet mixture or barley meal mixed crumbly moist, not sloppy, and a few pieces of cut-up snail, worm, or meat. Hang some food on the outside of the cage as well as inside, so that they may learn to pick from that. As soon as they are seen to eat the food which is outside, withdraw that which is inside. Place a fair sized stone inside the cage and give a snail or two occasionally. These the bird will soon pick up and crack their shells against the stone to get at the dainty morsel within.

The cocks are not easily distinguished

from the hens, but are usually the brightest marked ones, and very often the smaller of the two. The hens are not much used except for exhibition purposes, and may as well be let go to furnish some one else with a brood later on. If the cocks can be hung within hearing of a wild one they will soon begin to pick up a few notes, and by the time they are a year old they sing fairly well, but the second year is the time to hear them at their best.

My cages are of the box pattern, and are three feet long, twenty inches high, and fourteen inches from back to front. A little greenstuff—lettuce, boiled carrot, or sweet apple—should be given to keep the liver in order. Boiled carrot I like very much, as I think this helps to keep the plumage nice and tight. Berries should also be given, such as the mountain ash, or rowan, privet, or hawthorn. The best way to store berries is to gather them when ripe and dry, and place them in a box full of dry sawdust or cork dust. Caterpillars, small slugs, etc., are greatly relished, and should be given them when found. Variety of food is the chief object, and this is the secret in keeping any cage birds. Do not hang them within sight of each other, or instead of singing they will simply warble to each other.

(To be continued.)

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 79.)

THIS water roll is uncommon, and is appreciated by those hearing it for the first time. It is rather a difficult passage to sing, and is heard in its best form when the bird with a slowly ascending watery rolling voice turns again and descends to the starting point of the roll. I believe that when this roll becomes more widely distributed it will become very popular. Its foundation should be laid in the breeding cage; young birds from some strains would learn to rise on the roll, while others would only occasionally descend to the starting point; again, others would ignore both these styles and commence at the highest point, continuing and finishing in the same key. Given in this style it has a resemblance to a bell roll, but a quick ear will notice that the voice is too forced, sometimes the watery rolling can be distinguished, while again it is indistinct, in both cases the beak is partly opened.

The deep du-du flutes, and the deep bass roll, are not learned by tuition alone. Granting the fact that the Roller is very imitative, we have to consider first whether it is purely imitation when they follow the tutor in a tour which is not sung by their parent, or whether the tour or tours have been imminent, and tuition

has brought them to the surface; to be rendered in the song.

Such applications for schoolmasters tend to show that "more light" is needed on the subject. The progeny of stock birds singing different styles of song should not be bunched together and placed under one tutor. Those similarly bred, or those bred from the tutor, would be capable of producing a portion, or may be the whole of the tutor's song, while others would make a hash of it. Some young birds are very free singers, and such birds will often come into full song before others that may be a little older. Should these free singers not follow the example offered by their schoolmaster, but bring a style of song that is not desirable, they should be removed from the training room to prevent others copying their style of singing.

Birds that take the Wrong Turning.

I believe it is the desire of all Roller fanciers to produce the best possible rendering of the Roller's song, even though exhibiting should not appeal, and in view of this fact, I say again that it is not advisable to introduce into the same training room two or more tutors that sing different styles of song, for where birds of different types of song are kept together, there is a danger of the best type deterior-

ating. All Rollers will learn a faulty style of song sooner than a good one, and they seem to take a pleasure in repeating anything detrimental.

In some cases, birds would retain their own style of song, others only a portion of it, and intervene a part of another one's. In instances where the whole of the song is retained, many may, apart from their own song, learn to sing a portion of that belonging to another bird, and if this is an easier production than their own, the birds will favour it, and ultimately bring their own song less frequently.

Mingle the Good Qualities.

Where new fanciers have birds singing different styles of song, and where such have not become intermingled one with the other, I would advise them to limit the number to two, choosing the best, and endeavour to cultivate and blend the good qualities of both in this way. Take a cock from one strain, or type of song, and mate with a hen from the other, and vice versa, choosing hens that are the closest related to, or those that breed the best singing cocks; a few good hens may also be kept in reserve. By this first cross the qualities of both strains will be blended in the same bird, and these youngsters should be trained under the best singer of the two old birds (or, if a more classical one could be procured, that would be suitable, so much the better, but so little reliance can be placed on this, just when they are needed, that it is only a forlorn hope).

In the event of the first cross not being successful, take the best singing old cock, and mate to those of his daughters that

come from the same nests as the young cocks which are the most accomplished singers. The young cocks produced from this second cross will have a preponderance of their sire's blood, and should be able to produce his style of song. Young cocks produced from the first cross, could be mated with the hens that have been kept in reserve, some of these will be sisters to their sire. Use one cock with one hen for one nest, and try a different hen for the next nest, in order to find the blood that "blends properly." Don't inbreed extensively unless you have a definite object in doing so. All birds must be healthy, strong, and the deeper the voice tone the better will be the results.

The Care of the Tutor.

The choice of the tutor is equally as important as procuring well-bred stock birds, and it is very unwise to delay the selection until the bird is actually required for training purposes. If the selection is to be made from the fancier's own stock, the tutor should be chosen before commencing to feed up for breeding purposes. The selected bird should receive a careful dieting, in order to keep its song to the normal tone. If cocks are fed for breeding purposes with egg food and other nutritious diets, and have been for intervals of a week or more in the breeding cage through the breeding season, they will not be singing in their best style. The song will come in short wild bursts, and it is unlikely that they will return to their original style of song until after the moult, and to regain this careful management is required, as I have previously described.

(To be continued.)

Club Reports.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Meeting held Aug. 26, adjourned from Aug. 12. It was unanimously decided to postpone the open annual show indefinitely owing to the present crisis.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

MORPETH C.B.S.

Meeting Aug. 29, Mr. Seely presided over an average attendance; after a long discussion it was decided owing to the national crisis to abandon the annual show for 1914.—W. Summers, hon. sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Monthly meeting held Mail Coach Inn. It was decided to adjourn meeting until Sept. 5 to give sec. time to p.c. all members to see if it be possible to run open show or not, owing to the present conditions of the war.—Taylor and Bailey, secs.

SHETTLSTON C.B.S.

Meeting held Johnston's, Aug. 12, Mr. Wood presiding over a good turnout of members. We fixed the date of our annual show for December 12, in Hill Street Hall; judges Mr. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; Mr. Martin, Glasgow; and Mr. Craig, Tollcross. Next meeting Johnston's Hall, Sept. 9, at 7.30. To make up classification for annual show.—A. Berry.

MARKINCH P.P. AND C.B.S.

Special committee meeting held in Listers Rooms, Aug. 25, Mr. Geo. Mitchell presiding. Sec. read letters from both proprietors of the halls stating that they had been commanded as hospitals for an indefinite period. The committee had no alternative but to postpone the annual show which they very much regret, and they all hope that the war will have a speedy and successful end for the Allies.—John Lindsay, sec.

LEIGH C.B.S.

Second of three table shows, Aug. 19, for N.F. birds. Entries did not come up to expectations owing to most of the young birds being in the moult, but what were there were very good. Mr. E. Clare, of Leigh, a former member of the society, judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. NOR: 1, Ordish; 2, Dawson. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, vhc. Spiby; lic, c, Hamer. MULES: 1, 2, 3, Taylor.—R. Charleson, sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

Meeting Aug. 29, Normanton Hotel, Mr. J. Sharman presiding. After a long discussion it was unanimously decided to purchase a silver cup for competition for Yorkshire class. The club will now have two cups for competition at the annual members' show, the other being for Norwich. Visiting committee elected: Norwich class, Messrs. Morrell, Twells, Sharman, Thompson. Yorks., Messrs. Cockeram and Wheldon. Crests, Mr. W. Stevens. Agreed that members show take place in November.—F. W. Jordan, hon. sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY C. AND C.B.S.

Meeting August 29, headquarters, Mr. Legg chair; good muster present. I am glad to see the members sticking together and trying to help one another; it shows we have the right sort of fanciers, and men that will work to help the Fancy. The way in which they gave all prize money won at F.F. shows is a true sign that we have good sportsmen as well as good fanciers in the society, and with men like these the society is sure to prosper. Decided not to have diplomas for last F.F. show, but those who want one can have one by paying for same. Next meeting Sept. 12, headquarters, 7; show business and other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

BURNLEY O.S.

Meeting headquarters, Star Inn, Church Street, Aug. 12, Mr. Catlow chair; and a good turnout of members. A proposition was carried that in future any member who wins one first in open novice or three firsts in our members' show must afterwards compete in champion section. Decided to postpone the Palace trip for a time to see how trade improves, as nearly all our members are out of employment; but we are hoping things will have improved by the time the next meeting is called. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded our late sec., Mr. Whittaker, for past services. After business a late member, Mr. Stackhouse, and a few of his friends who are expected to go to the front, called to see us before they left Burnley, and a right good time we all had. (Of course, we all wanted them, if possible, to bring a few Belgians back.) Next meeting Sept. 9, hoping to have a good turnout as we are doing very well.—T. Chadwick, sec.

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SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

Will members please note that a meeting will be held at headquarters, The Guildhall, Wandsworth Road, September 14. Members who can possibly do so are requested to attend, as the business is most important. Owing to several of the patronage shows having been cancelled, it will be necessary to consider how the points competition, etc., shall be conducted, and as it is probable there will only be about three shows left, I should like to hear from the provincial committee what they would suggest should be done. It would also be interesting to hear what other specialist clubs are going to do in like cases. Don't forget the date, September 14.—Geo. Burton, Sec. pro tem.

SCOTTISH CRESTED C.C.

Meeting Neilson's Temperance Hotel, Glasgow, Aug. 22, Mr. John McLay presiding. Present: Messrs. Lambie, McNaughton, McLaren, Noble, Smart, Shillinglaw, and secretary. Letters read from Messrs. Adams and Whittam expressing regret at being unable to attend. Applications for club patronage were considered, and following granted: City of Glasgow, Lochgelly, Cowdenbeath, and Scottish National. The question of club show was discussed, but owing to the grave crisis which the country is passing through it was thought desirable to allow the matter to stand in abeyance. Revision of club rules was gone into very carefully, secretary being instructed to get same into printer's hands as early as possible. Messrs. D. C. Murray (Haddington), William Watson (Uphall), James Hood (Shettleston), and Alexander Macmaster (Dundee) were elected members. Vote of thanks to chairman brought meeting to a close. Subs. are now overdue, and should be sent on at once.—John Young, Hon. Sec.

S. LONDON COLUMBARIAN & F.S.

Business as Usual.

Meeting at headquarters, August 27, a large number present. Chairman, Mr. Geo. Munday, explained that the meeting had been called to consider, in view of the unsettled state of the country, the advisability of holding our annual show. He pointed out that, although it was only a members' show, it was one of the largest in the country, and the expenses were always very heavy. He was fully aware that fanciers generally would not have the money to spend on their hobby, as in the past, and entries were almost certain to suffer; in fact, there might be a loss on the show. At the same time he was of opinion that we all wanted something else to think of besides the War, and he thought it would be nothing less than a calamity if the old South London—after holding a show, through good times and bad, for 40 years—should show the white feather now; he thought we should all try to live up to the country's motto, "Business as Usual." Several members strongly supported the chairman, and thought it advisable, in the interests of all concerned, that the show should be held and that we should not give way to panic. Others—and among these were some old and experienced fanciers—were of opinion that the show ought to be abandoned; they pointed out that money and work would be very scarce; fanciers would have to get rid of their stock, and the public would not want to visit shows. After further discussion, in which everyone took part, a vote was taken, and there were loud cheers when it was found the majority were in favour of holding the show. Promises of help were forthcoming from all over the room, and, to clinch matters, those who had voted against the show all promised to do their best to make it a success. This is the right sort of spirit; it will do no one any good to look on the black side of things; we have all got to suffer in some way, and we must all try to make it easier for each other. If every member will do his or her best there ought to be no reason why we should not have a good show. A further meeting will be held in conjunction with the pigeon show on September 10th, 1914, and I want all members who can do so to attend, as there will be important matters to debate.—G. Burton, Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

KIPPAX.

Members' sing, August 29, at headquarters, Commercial Hotel, with only a very moderate entry: 1, Plows; 2, Cooper. This closes our singing season for 1914.—A. Tomlin, sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing contests Skinner's Arms, Buntingthorpe, Aug. 30. 19 birds competed for three good prizes: 1, Ward; 2, 3, shared by Bins and Rosindale; judges Messrs. C. Clayton and Cranger.—C. Clayton, hon. sec.

Questions and Answers.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.

Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ROUGH AND MOPY (H. G. H.).—The bird's position in the window is probably the cause of its condition. Move it further into the room in a bright, airy, but not draughty position, where the temperature is fairly equable, and do not allow it to hang near or over a burning light in the evenings. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition give separately every third day a morsel of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar, and on the intervening days give first a spray of some green salad, and next a small teaspoonful of the seed mixture you now use as staple food. In the drinking water dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give instead 20 drops of chemical food every second day for two or three weeks.

HIRING BIRD ORGAN (A. Hopkins).—Sorry, but I cannot tell you where or whether you could hire a bird organ for the purpose of teaching your young birds to sing. You could buy them, but I doubt whether you could get one on hire for the season when it is most required. Your best plan would be to insert a small advert, in our prepaid columns inviting offers, or write to one or two of the large dealers who stock the instruments and ask if they were open to let out on hire.

A QUESTION OF MATING (A Lover of Song).—It is quite too late to think of mating birds this season. You must now wait until the end of next March or the beginning of April. The results of mating a good Roller cock with a good Crested hen would be the production of crossbred youngsters, of which the cocks would be fair songsters, but considerably inferior to good pure Rollers, and of no use as stock birds for either breed. It would in short be wasting the energies of two good birds. If, as your pseudonym suggests, singing qualities are your chief aim, you should mate the Roller cock with a Roller hen of a good singing strain, and train the youngsters under a good songster. If you want the best in song, you must sacrifice appearances.

TROUBLE WITH FEET (Constant Reader).—I should say the young birds are in rather gross condition of body through living too exclusively on a diet that is too rich for them, and, perhaps, the perches are not quite the proper shape and size. The sample of perch you mention did not reach me, so it was probably lost on the way, or overlooked in sending the letter. See that they are of such a size that the birds can grip them quite comfortably; neither too large, nor so small that the claws meet underneath as the birds stand on them. Keep them, and also the cage doors, as clean as possible, and

do not use a very sharp flinty grit on the floors. Reduce the proportion of boiled rape you are giving by about one-third, using, say, two-thirds of a teaspoonful to the one and half teaspoonfuls of soft food, and in this quantity use two teaspoonfuls of sugar instead of three, and add a teaspoonful of maw seed. Give the cracked hemp twice a week only, and only give the sulphate of iron to those birds which are nearing the end of the moult. Give a spray of watercress daily, and for the next week add to the water for the affected birds each day a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of lemon juice. This should suffice to clear the system and quite prevent the trouble.

A QUESTION OF TEMPERATURE (Leaguer).—If the birds have been bred and reared under natural conditions of temperature I would not advise you to begin the use of unnatural conditions as regards temperature, especially as you appear to be a tyro at the game. If housed in snug, dry quarters, free from cold, cutting draughts, the use of artificial heat is quite a superfluity, and apt with a novice to do far more harm than good. Where it is used, a temperature of about 45 degrees is what you should aim at during the winter months, and this should be maintained fairly regularly, not allowed to run up and down by fits and starts. A system of hot water pipes with the heating apparatus outside is about the best means of applying heat, but I cannot say what is the cheapest method, as this doubtless varies tremendously according to one's locality and position. The cheapest form is doubtless always the most risky and dangerous.

CLAW BENT BACKWARD (J. C.).—As the deformity is of such old standing, my advice is to leave it severely alone. Having only one claw affected the bird will manage comfortably enough with it as it is, and any attempt to rectify it will probably only impose suffering upon the patient with exceedingly little chance of any benefit accruing therefrom.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Aling Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

DEFORMED FOOT (Christie).—No treatment is likely to be of any avail after this lapse of time, and as it would also inflict needless suffering upon the bird to interfere now, it is in no way warrantable to do so. Therefore my advice is to leave it severely alone. Having only one foot affected, the bird will get along comfortably enough as it is, and it will be no detriment at all to it, unless it is a show bird, when it would, of course, hamper it in competition.

SORE FEET (W. Clayden).—See that the perches are made of a nice soft wood, and keep them as clean as possible. Also keep the cage floor as clean as possible for the time being, and it will assist materially in attaining this end to strew the floor liberally with clean, dry sawdust and renew it frequently for a time. Catch the bird and bathe the feet for a few minutes daily in a solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of the acid dissolved in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing, dry carefully, and gently anoint the whole of each foot with zinc ointment, but do not leave any surplus grease about them to collect the dirt from cage floor. Dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea in the drinking water every second day, for a week.

LOSING USE OF LEGS (Crest).—I can only suggest three probable causes of the loss of the use of the legs in the young Crest: 1. You might have accidentally injured the back in catching and returning it to the nest; 2. it may have been already affected with severe constipation when it left the nest, and the bowels have become blocked and inactive; 3. or the toes might have been strained by its first excursion on to the perches, which caused the hind toes to be turned forward and become useless. The latter cause seems to me to be the most likely, and if this is the case you can now only put on rubber bands for a fortnight or so, and then give it rather thin perches, which should be placed in the most convenient position possible, and fixed securely in the cage. The method of putting on these bands, and the subsequent management of the perches you will see given in detail in this column many times in the last few months. In the second event add a little extra succulent green salad to its parents' dietary, and in the first named case you can only allow it to rest as quietly as possible to give nature a chance to repair the mischief.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BULLFINCH WITH DIFFICULTY IN BREATHING (Puzzled).—I am afraid that your Bullfinch has at some time or other been over fed and over shown. You had better discontinue giving linseed in his seed mixture, as this is hardly necessary during the summer months. Supply liberally all kinds of wild seeds, fruit and berries. If he is to be of any use to you as an exhibition bird during the coming season it is quite time he commenced to moult. I would, therefore, advise you to encourage him to do so by change of temperature or by partly covering up his cage. Let him still continue to bathe, but be sure it is on fine days only, and then during the morning. To relieve the breathing give the following in his drinking water: Carbonate of ammonia 3 grains, tincture of squills 3 drops, pure glycerine 5 drops. This should be given fresh twice daily in a glass or china drinker. You can ask your chemist to make up sufficient for one week, when it should be discontinued. When he is well in his moult I would advise a course of chemical food, say a small teaspoonful in his drinking water, first boiling the water, or it will not mix properly.

THE RED BREASTED LINNET (Forrester, Longton).—If your question is a serious one I am afraid your knowledge of birds must be very limited; it simply amounts to this: "Is a Linnet a Goldfinch?" If you saw the two together you would not hesitate in pronouncing them to be quite different species. They are both Finches, but the Linnet is a brown bird with white on the edges of the large feathers of the wings. The Goldfinch has a sharper beak, a red face and yellow wings with black tips. In the early part of the spring the brown breast of the Linnet commences to assume a ruddy tone, and as the spring advances this increases in depth, until the breeding season, early summer, when it is quite rich crimson, in some specimens almost vivid.

YELLOW-HAMMER FOR EXHIBITION (F. G.).—Judges differ somewhat as to the most important point in the Yellow Hammer. According to the published standard fifty points are given for steadiness, but I am inclined to think the head markings would bear more weight with most judges than any other characteristic. A bird poor in this point would be at once handicapped. Generally speaking the less black about the head the better, although during the show season there is sure to be some which diminishes as the spring advances. The markings should be clean cut, and from the forehead to the back of the head should extend in the form of the letter V. Richness of colour upon the back is desirable, and the spangling clear and distinctly defined. Size and condition, richness of yellow, and, of course, steadiness, are all important points, and receive due consideration by a careful judge. (2) A little soft food during the moult is very useful if the bird will eat it, also a few mealworms or other insects. Just a pinch of colour food in the insectic mixture is used by most exhibitors. This should on no account be overdone, only sufficient given to enrich the plumage.

ABOUT A HEN BULLFINCH (Jas. Reeves).—I am sorry you have not given me more particulars respecting the treatment of your Bullfinch, because, as a rule, these little ailments are caused by injudicious feeding. Your seed mixture may consist of something quite unsuitable to a Bullie, although possibly the correct thing for one of the other Finches. I would advise you to send for one of our little Nutshell Booklets on the Bullfinch, which you can procure post free for 2½d. In the mean time make up the following mixture:—Two parts canary, one part each of teazel and summer rape, this will be its staple food. It may also have a few sunflowers daily, and a spoonful of good wild seed mixture, twice a week. In addition to this collect seeding tops of groundsel, chickweed, shepherd's purse, pliantain, dock, etc., and give the bird a daily supply together with blackberries and other fruit. Let it bathe

freely on fine days, and give it a big cage to exercise in. If you treat the bird in this manner it should soon be in good condition without the use of medicines. It should now be going into moult, so keep it in an equable temperature and away from strong currents of air, as birds easily catch cold at this period.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

MIXTURE FOR ROSELLA (J. H., New Reader).—One quart each canary and white millet, one pint oats, half a pint each hemp and sunflower seeds, the whole to be well mixed, will meet the requirements of those birds so far as seed is concerned, but you must also supply fruit, green food, grit, cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing.

GREY PARROT (M. Smith).—Whenever the swelling becomes abnormal it would be well to prick it with a sharp needle and so allow the escape of air—the needle or lance should be well cleansed for each occasion. For the next fortnight put 15 drops of tincture of lobelia into the bird's drinking water daily—one ounce of which should be sufficient in a suitable vessel, not a metal one. Do not supply any clear water during this period. Supply the usual seed mixture, also fruit, nuts, and biscuits if it cares for them, and about a couple of tablespoonfuls of milk sop daily. Keep it in a room where the temperature is fairly even, as a fluctuating temperature will only aggravate the trouble. Report progress a fortnight hence.

YOUNG BUDGERIGARS (Budgerigars).—You can only settle this point by persistent observation, as it arises from one of two causes, viz., mice or other adult birds in the aviary, not necessarily their own parents, though it is quite possible the latter may be the culprits, but whoever the culprits are, they should be discovered by close observation, and when discovered, caught up and

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3/4); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Goldfinches," No. 16 "Aradants," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

given their liberty, as you would not wish to sell them and occasion similar trouble in some other aviary. If the parents are maiming their own young they must be got rid of, as they will exercise their malice upon other broods than their own ultimately.

AFRICAN GREY PARROT (Pollie Perkins).—Parrots are social creatures and object to being left alone, and usually give vent to their displeasure by some such method; be thankful yours does not scream at such times. I had a Parrot which shouted itself hoarse when left alone, but it shouted out one of our names which it had learned. The best remedy is, of course, to carry the cage into the sitting-room when the kitchen is likely to be unoccupied for any period. Paying it a visit and gently chiding it, a Parrot is rather quick to recognise such, will tend to break it of the habit. It evidently has heard shrill whistles in its previous quarters, and acquired calls and words are not easily unlearned. Many London Parrots—I am acquainted with several—mimic motor horns and the cab call whistles in a most realistic manner. Your best course will be to leave it alone as little as possible, and to gently chide it whenever it utters the whistle in your presence; if this fails, try covering it up for short periods whenever it's too noisy.

HAND-REARING BUDGERIGARS (A Novice).—The book you refer to is not from my pen, and I must confess to not having read it. You will find your experiment a very troublesome one; they must be fed very early, and at short intervals during the day, and of course must be given fairly warm quarters. Most certainly follow the directions given in the book, and though you may try it, I rather doubt the "fill-up" being of much use, as these birds are fed quite differently to Canaries. An avicultural acquaintance has just hand-reared some Lovebirds which had been forsaken by their parents, and her method was as follows: Their first food was very sloppy, consisting mostly of Osborne biscuits, mixed with crushed wheat and milk—varied with soaked "Uveco" and crushed wheat—they were fed at first from a teaspoon, simply pouring the food down their throats, and they soon learned to feed from the dish, but they were a terrible lot of trouble at first. The same method should answer with the Budgerigars, but I advise you only to take in hand two at first, and those about seven days old should answer your purpose. After experience with these, you can commence with younger birds next time.

AILING GREY PARROT (H. B. H.).—I note your remark that you have had four die similarly; in such case I would ask you, have they all occupied the same cage? if so, it is possible they have caught the infection from the cage. A cage in which a newly-imported Grey (I take you are referring to newly-imported birds, though you give no details) has died should be thoroughly sterilised before being used for another bird. If you can handle the bird, foment or soak its legs and feet in fairly hot water, dry with a soft cloth, and paint with neat whiskey. You say nothing as to how you are treating this bird, but if it will take it, give it one or two tablespoonfuls of milk sops daily, to which add half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion. Also put one teaspoonful of Dinnoford's Magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intermediate days half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates. Keep the bird warm, and where it will neither be subjected to draught nor sudden fluctuations of temperature. Full details as to acquisition and treatment should always be given with such queries. You must not use metal drinkers while giving drugs. Report progress with full details a fortnight hence.

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ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Station Cafe, 8. Discussion on members' show; very important.—C. Bailey.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.—Sept. 10, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8. Arrangements for annual show.—E. Johnson.

BARNSELY C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Very important.—E. Tomlinson.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.—Sept. 8, Joiners' Arms, 8. Show business.—J. Kilshaw.

BRADFORD WEST AND MANNINGHAM C.B.A.—Sept. 7, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. General business, open show.—H. Grange.

BARRY F. AND F.S.—Sept. 9, headquarters, 8. Discussion re second members' show. Nine new members enrolled at last meeting.—H. P. Thomas.

BIRMINGHAM SOUTH O.S.—Sept. 9, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Young stock show arrangements; special lecture on birds for show.—J. Sheppard.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.—Sept. 9, headquarters, 8. Musical evening and social in place of table show. Members and friends cordially invited.—W. H. Gibb.

BRITISH ROLLER C.C.—Sept. 8, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8. Monthly meeting as usual.—J. W. Norris.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Colly Inn, 7. Schedule for annual show, and other very important business.—J. W. Robson.

CLAY CROSS C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Angel Hotel, 8.—J. Griffiths.

CLITHEROE C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8. Making schedule for December show.—J. Southworth.

CRYSTAL PALACE AND PENGE C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Schedule, etc., for annual show.—H. Legg.

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EDINBURGH NORTH EASTERN O.S.—Sept. 7, Abbeymount Halls, 8. Annual show arrangements and general business.—R. S. Spence.

FARNWORTH C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Important.—W. Dawson.

FELLING-ON-TYNE F. AND F.S.—Sept. 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 6. Meeting and table show judging 6.30. Don't get the war fever, but give me a record entry instead. Judge, Mr. S. Burrell, Windy Nook.—W. Stockton.

GLASGOW W. OF SCOTLAND O.S.—Sept. 5, Nelson Temperance Hotel, 7.30.—W. Hutchison.

GRANTHAM C.B.S.—Sept. 7, Brewers' Arms, 8. Business of utmost importance.—H. Lowther.

GT. HORTON GOOD INTENT O.S.—Postponed from Sept. 5 to Sept. 12, Grange Schools, All Saints Road, 7.30. Arrangements for Oct. 3rd show, etc.—A. Firth.

GUISBROUGH PRIORY C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Weir's Room, 7.30. General business.—W. Waraker.

HALIFAX O.S.—Sept. 5, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Open show business.—H. Clegg.

HARTLEPOOLS C.B.S.—Sept. 9, St. George's, 8. Consider open show.—Pyman and Thornton.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Arrangements for annual show.—W. B. Smart.

LEEDS C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Lockhart's (next door to Hope Bros.), Briggate. Table show of young birds; judge, Mr. H. Chew. For classification see syllabus. Open show arrangements.—E. Norton.

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LEITH O.S.—Sept. 12, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7. Show and other business.—G. W. Brown.

LITTLEBOROUGH C.B.S.—Sept. 9, headquarters, 8. Balance-sheet F.F.S. Business for back-end show. Members and intending members please attend.—J. R. Windle.

LIVERPOOL B.R.A.—Sept. 10, Oldham Hall, 8. Schedule for old show and elect delegates for amalg. show.—J. Lloyd.

LONDON C.B.A.—Sept. 8, El Vino, 3, Piccadilly Place, 8. Lecture on Crest Breeding by Mr. A. J. Watcham. Visitors cordially invited.—F. Knight.

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S.E. LONDON F. AND F.A.—Sept. 7, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting. Special business re September show.—R. Jackson.

LONGTON C.B.S.—Sept. 8, Roebuck Hotel, 8.30. Discussing particulars of society's interests and other important items.—P. E. Barker.

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MIDDLESEX C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Usual business.—J. Swinsco.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS O.S.—Sept. 8, Mechanics' Institute, 8. To discuss the advisability of holding our open show.—J. G. Royce.

NEWTON-LE-WILLOWS F. AND F.S.—Sept. 10, "Pied Bull" Hotel, 8. Club business.—H. A. Waddington. (Notices must be sent in duplicate if they are to appear both in CAGE BIRDS and the "Poultry World."—Ed.)

OPENSHAW, GORTON C.B.S.—Sept. 9, Alhambra Club Rooms, Alhambra Buildings, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. General business till 9, and Mr. Giles' season's experiences on Mule Breeding, with discussion.—A. W. Newton.

PORTSMOUTH F.S.—Sept. 7, Star Hotel, Lake Road, 7.30. The war in relation to annual show.—G. J. Kirton.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.—Sept. 6, Fleece Hotel, 8. General business.—H. Raitrick.

PERTH CITY AND COUNTY O.A.—Sept. 7, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Important business.—J. L. Smith.

RAWTESTALL F.S.—Sept. 8, Mission Room, Hall Street, 8. Evening show.—H. Kershaw. **SANDY LANE C.B.A.**—Sept. 8, Victoria Hotel, Sandy Lane, 8. Completing of schedule for winter shows.—S. Moore.

SHEFFIELD O.S.—Sept. 8, Rose and Crown, 8. Special committee meeting; show business.—E. C. Job.

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SCOTLAND GATE C.B.S.—Sept. 5, Social Club, Choppington, 7.30. Special business.—T. Rigg.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.—Sept. 7, headquarters, 8.30. Discussion re open show and the difficulty of holding same owing to the Drill Hall being required by the Government.—W. L. Page.

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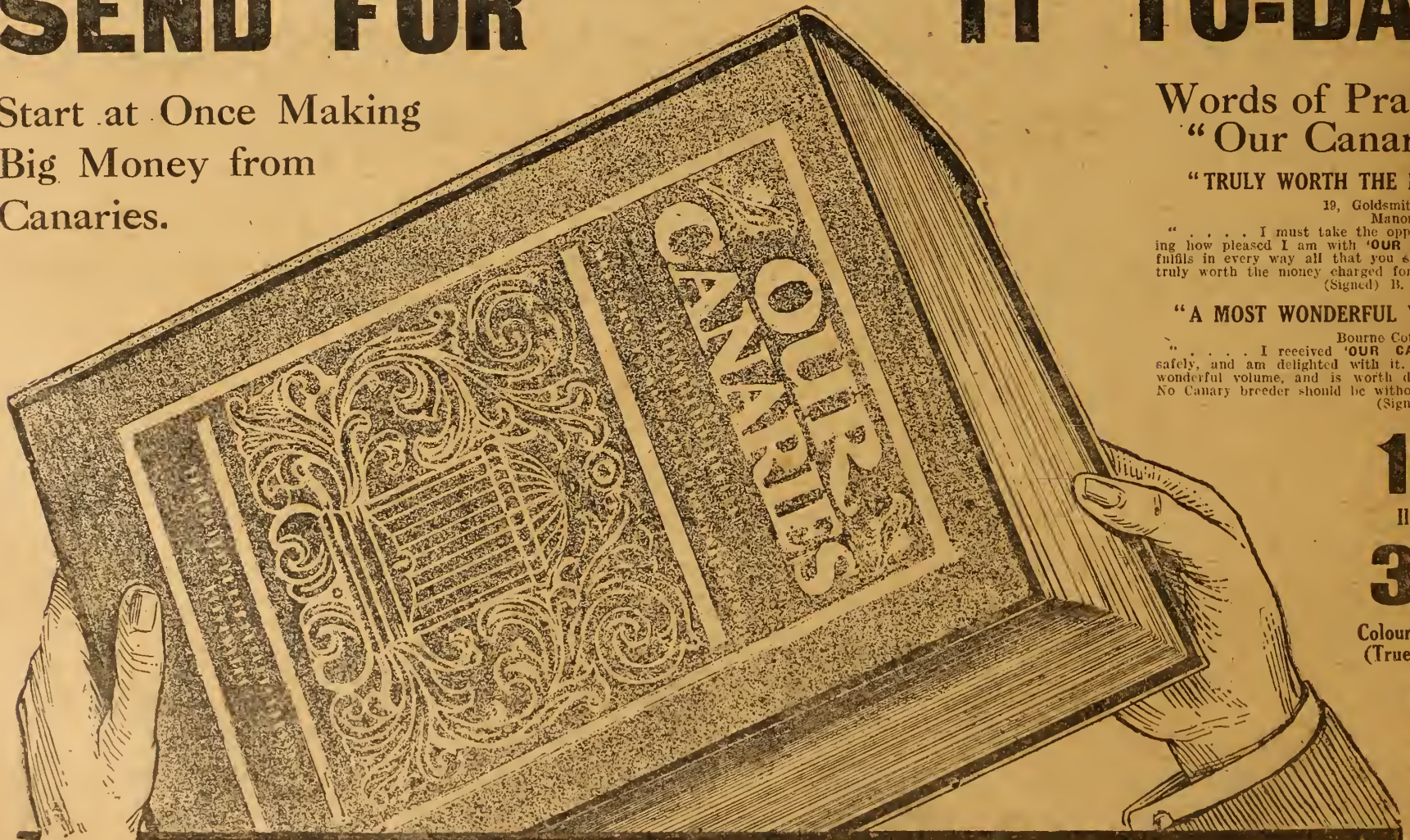
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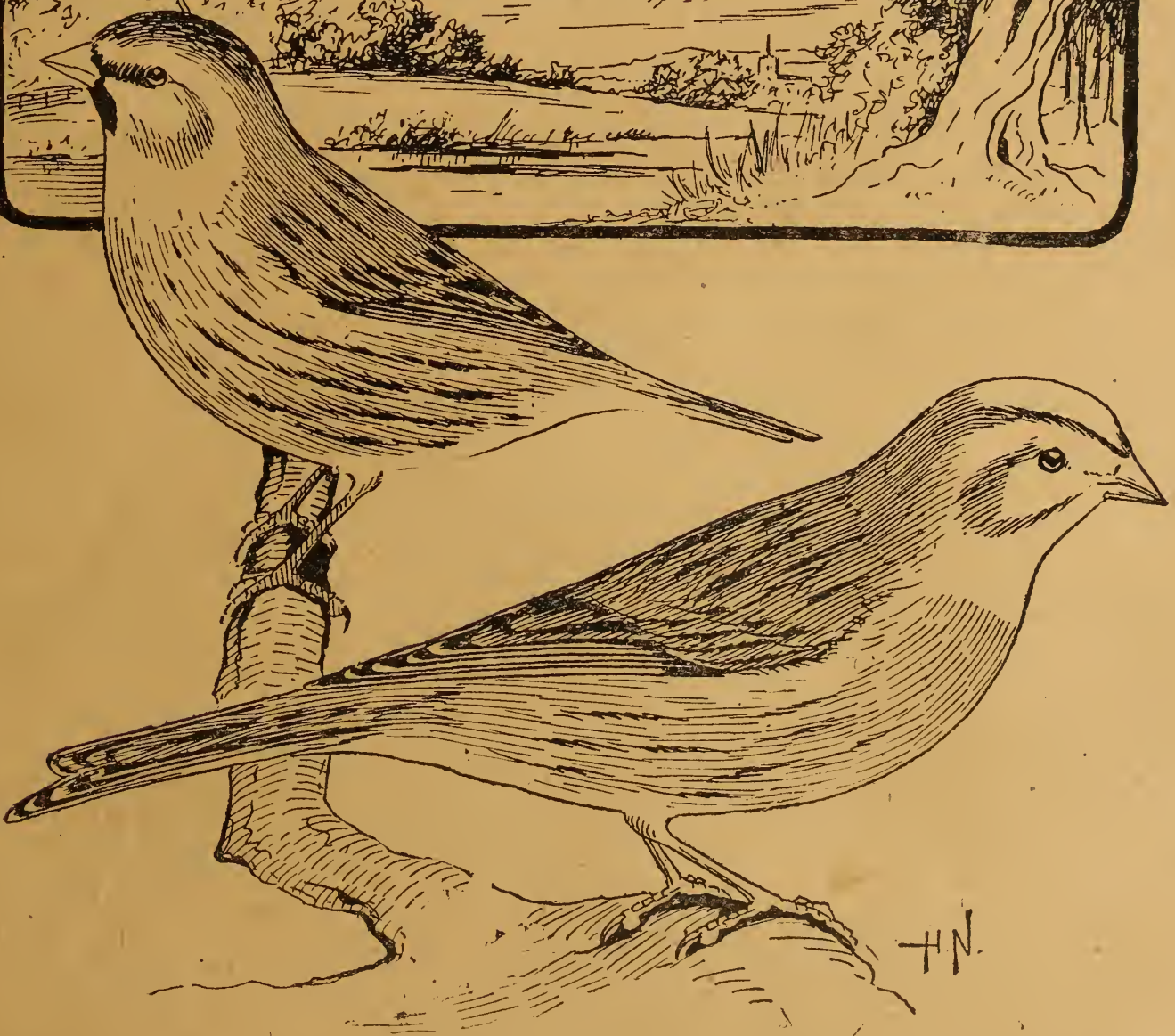
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 - W. YOUNG**, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

A special meeting of the Western Counties O.S., Plymouth, was held on Sept. 1 to consider the advisability of holding the annual open show arranged for Oct. 13, 14, writes Mr. Thos. Pope, hon. sec. A postcard poll of the members resulted in 13 voting for holding the show and 37 against, and it was consequently decided not to have open show this year, but to hold a members' show on Nov. 25, at which all members' challenge enps will be completed for.

The Avicultural Magazine, the organ of the Avicultural Society, for September contains a delightful account by Mrs. K. Currey of her tame Bullfinch. Dr. Butler concludes his "Thirty-two Years of Aviculture," the very useful "English names for the Parrots" is continued by Dr. E. Hopkinson, and amongst the other contents are some most interesting "Glimpses of South American Ornithology" by Lord Brabourne.

A most interesting item in the September issue of "British Birds," Messrs. Witherby, High Holborn, is a record of the first visit to our shores of the Ruppell's Warbler. It is sad to note that the unique visitors (there were two of them) were shot on sight. A photograph of one of the victims as set up by the taxidermist is given, and the plumage of old and young is fully described by Mr. H. F. Witherby. The opening article is "A Report on the Land-rail Inquiry," by Mr. H. G. Alexander, and the usual monthly "Notes" are especially interesting.

Twitterings.

Mr. P. Greenall, hon. sec. Wigan Roller Canary Society, 2, Short Street, Pemberton, Wigan, asks that secretaries of Roller Clubs should send him the dates of their open contests.
 I got a pleasant surprise on Friday morning when I saw my unfledged yellow Cinnamon cock on the front page of CAGE BIRDS, writes Mrs. Tweddle. I thank you very much.

We hear that no less than 40 members of the staff of Messrs. Spratt's Patent, Ltd., have been called to the front. The firm is generously paying half salaries while they are away, and keeping their places open.

Mr. J. Fairgrieve, sec. of the E. Lothian C.B.S., writes that it has been decided to hold the annual show as usual. A report of the meeting appears in our Correspondence column.

The Drill Hall being required by military authorities, and no other large hall available, writes Mr. A. Walker, hon. sec. Torquay F. and F.S., we are compelled to cancel our show on Oct. 15, but hope to hold a members' show later on.

As a special meeting of the Windsor and Dist. C.B.A., writes Mr. H. W. Simms, sec., it was decided, owing to the War, to cancel our open show arranged for Oct. 28. We shall, however, hold a members' show on the same date, and anyone joining previously to Oct. 1 will be eligible to show as a member. Our radius is 25 miles, and sub. 2s. 6d. per year.

Since our last issue news is to hand of the cancellation of the following shows: Torquay F. and F.S., Burnley C.B.S., Southampton P.P. and C.B.A., Windsor C.B.A., Upper Rhondda C.B.S., Crewe O.S., Bishop Auckland C.B.S., Western Counties O.S., Ayr C.B.C., Leeds Roller C.B.C., Portsmouth and S. Counties C.B.S., Burton-on-Trent C.B.S., Blyndon-on-Tyne C.B.S., Leeds C.B.S., Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S., Sheffield O.S., Southampton C.B.S. Many societies are coming to a decision at their next meeting, as will be seen from our Club Notices column, and it is hoped that these meetings will be largely attended so that the question of abandonment or non-abandonment may have full consideration.

A Timely Topic.
 The members of the City and Suburban A.C.B. are having a discussion at their Sept. 14 meeting, on how to economically feed Canaries, etc. (See "Club Notices" this week.) It ought to prove interesting and valuable. Visitors will be welcomed.

"Business as Usual"
 The annual show of the New Cross C.B.S. will be held as originally fixed, and the show of the Northwood F.A. (Middlesex), fixed for Nov. 11-12, will be partly open, extra members' classes being added. Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S. also decided to hold the annual show arranged for Nov. 7. The above are in addition to the societies letters from which Canaries appear in our correspondence columns.

Little Owls are Destroyers.
 A South Cheshire keeper states that just before closing up his peasant chick coops on the evening of June 2 he saw a Little Owl swoop down and pick up a small chick and dash it on the grass. He rescued the chick, and found it badly cut on the back of the neck. The next day he rifled a nest of owls, and wrung the neck of the female bird. Near by he found the bones of several small birds, but whether of Pheasants and Partridges he was unable to state. A second keeper near Malpas tells me that in June he shot a Little Owl which had just left the body of a pheasant chick. There is little doubt that the Little Owl is destructive to game, though not in a manner which warrants wholesale slaughter.—W. C., in the "Manchester Dispatch."

CANARIES FOR THE HOSPITALS.

THE past week has seen a further gratifying response to our request for promises of singing Canaries for presentation to the War Hospitals which have been established in various parts of the country. Equally gratifying have been the kindly comments which have reached us concerning our scheme, a selection from which is appended.

There must be many more of our readers, however, who are anxious to do something to brighten the period of convalescence of our brave fighting-men, and we appeal to them to sign and return to us the coupon at foot without delay, so that we may know at the earliest possible moment the number of birds likely to be available for distribution. All gifts will be acknowledged in our columns, and the destination of the birds announced as soon as possible.

We may repeat that we do not ask for gifts of Canaries of high exhibition standard—we leave that to the giver—the main points are that the birds shall be young and healthy and free singers. Now, readers, let us hear from you this week certain. It is a cause to which none could be more worthy, and a pleasing method of expressing the sympathy of the bird-breeding fraternity with their stricken brothers in arms.

Messrs. Caporn (Bristol) have generously offered to co-operate with fanciers by supplying free sufficient of their noted seeds to last each bird for at least three months.

Canaries for the Hospitals

I am willing, if called on any time during the next twelve months, to supply free of cost one singing cock Canary and small travelling cage, to be presented as a gift to any Hospital or Convalescent Home applying for same.

Name.....
 Address (in full)

 Date.....
 To the Editor, CAGE BIRDS,
 154, Fleet Street, London.

PARS FROM THE POST-BAG.

British, Not German, Roller.
 I was delighted to see your request in CAGE BIRDS for song birds to cheer up our wounded soldiers in hospital. I am certain that the little messengers of song will

Crystal Palace and the War.
 I have just had notice that the Admiralty have taken over the Crystal Palace for a recruiting centre and training ground, writes Mr. J. W. Ramsden. All fixtures will probably have to be postponed in consequence of this.

Welshmen to the Front.
 Mr. H. Watts, sec. pro. tem. of the Upper Rhondda C.B.S., writes that as many members are at the front and many more going it was decided at the last meeting not to hold an open show this season. A vote of sympathy was accorded to Mr. Richards, the hon. sec., who is lying ill.

The Chough in Ireland.
 It is satisfactory to know that Choughs are still fairly numerous in many of their old haunts across the Irish Channel, in spite of their steady diminution on this side. Pairing for life, like the Crow or Raven, the Chough rarely forsakes a well-chosen nesting site, even when robbed of its first clutch. Solitary clefts, fissures inaccessible from above, the roofs of water-worn caves, and other similar well-concealed haunts are used year after year in these same suitable cliff stretches which their predecessors have occupied for centuries, but the nests are rarely less than a mile apart where they have room.

Good News for Pigeon Fanciers.
 Owing to the war all traffic in live pigeons has been stopped, the railway companies having been instructed by the War Office not to accept them for conveyance. This severe restriction on an important industry practically stopped the buying and selling of fancy pigeons. Mr. C. A. Honce, who has been in correspondence with the authorities in London on the matter, first of all obtained permission for pigeons to be accepted for transit to shows. That concession not being enough,

he was much appreciated by them, and I sincerely trust that you will have a generous response from our many fanciers to your thoughtful appeal. You can rely on me to supply you a British Roller Club songster.
 A. GOODING.

Westbourne Park.
A Khaki Canary Promised.
 I think it a grand idea of yours to try and brighten the dull hours of the sick and wounded soldiers with a lively little pet, and I shall be pleased to send a nice Cinnamon Norwich, and two if they are required.
 G. A. PARKER.
 Stratford.

Will Keep in Reserve.
 I have enclosed coupon from CAGE BIRDS and will keep a fine singing cock Canary in reserve, and will send same on at once free of all cost as soon as I get your order.
 E. S. TAYLOR.

Chatteris.
One Or More From a Noted Stud.
 A proposal worthy of every fancier's support. Will give one, or more if necessary, when in full song.
 J. TOMLINSON.
 Newcastle, Staffs.

Cage, Bath, and All Complete.
 I shall be pleased to present a Canary, cage, bath, and hanging chain. As I am near to the Herbert Hospital, Woolwich, I should like to take it there if they will accept it.
 G. PECK.
 Dartford.

A Nurse Will Give of the Best.
 It gives me great pleasure to respond to your call for singing Canaries. I will send you one, or, if necessary, two, of the best birds I have in my bird-room, Rollers of the finest strain, and trust they may bring many bright moments to the wounded soldiers who have done so much for their country. I think it should be clearly understood by applicants for Canaries that they must not be kept in the travelling cages.
 NURSE BELSTEN.
 Newport, Mon.

(We shall, of course, make arrangements for the supply of cages in which the birds may be permanently kept.—EDITOR.)

Another Promise of Two.
 I shall have much pleasure in sending when called upon two cock Canaries for our fighting brothers.
 H. BILL.
 Lyndhurst.

Friends Will Help If They Are Asked.
 I have pleasure in sending the enclosed coupon, also one which I have got a friend to fill up.
 B. HILL.
 Harpenden.

he has this week paid a visit to London personally and has secured further concessions, hence breeders of pigeons will now be able to buy and sell as formerly by using a special label franked by the C.I.D. of Scotland Yard. Such labels may be obtained from Mr. C. A. House, "Pigeons," Idle, Bradford, but they will only be issued to known breeders, and a guarantee will have to be given that the birds will not be used for any improper purpose or be allowed to enter into the possession of countries with whom we are at war.

Newcastle's Decision.
 At a meeting of the Newcastle Cage Bird Society, we are informed that it was decided not to hold a show this year, but to endeavour to raise 100 Canaries and other pet cage birds to be sold for the benefit of the local fund being raised by the Lord Mayor.

What War May Bring Us.
 Early autumn is the great time of migration of our winter visitors, and it is not too much to think that, owing to the turmoil on the Continent and on the North Sea, we may this winter see some strange visitors. Birds are undoubtedly endowed with finer perceptions than we humans, and many will avoid the area of air disturbed by explosive and poisonous gases, and deflect further westward than usual. The Continental sub-varieties of our Blackbirds and Thrushes may in particular be looked for, as this is the time of the moving of great flocks of these birds. Even among the smaller birds which resort to our woods and gardens one may expect strange visitors, and one hopes that careful notes will be made of all the peculiarities of any fresh bird so discovered. —"Dalesman" in the "Liverpool Post."

POST US YOUR PROMISE OF A CANARY TO-DAY.

THE MOULTING AND EXHIBITING OF MULES AND HYBRIDS.

By E. COLLINS (Barnstaple).

(Concluded from page 93.)

THOUGH I do not recommend the use of greenfood during the moult, the ripe seeds of knapweed, shepherd's purse, and plantain may be used freely, and with beneficial results, as they will afford a welcome change of diet, and will assist to improve the colour and general condition of the birds. These seeds will be found in plenty at this season of the year, but care should be taken that only the really ripe seeds are gathered. A little experience will soon enable you to select the ripe specimens. It would be advisable to lay up a store of knapweed and plantain for use during the winter months.

In addition to the ordinary seed diet, give your birds a liberal supply of linseed during the moult, and, as with the colour-food, continue its use until the birds are well through the moult, as this will give lustre and polish to the feather.

As the show season draws near, it will be necessary to keep a strict watch for birds that are not fond of the bath. Such birds must be sprayed frequently, in order to bring about that tightness and polish of feather so essential in a show specimen. If your birds bathe freely, however, there will be no need to spray them until a few days before sending them out to a show, when all birds should be treated in the following manner.

The Use of Bath and Spray.

Allow your birds the use of the bath until five days previous to the show, then gently spray them on the two following mornings. Then stop both bath and spray, as this will give the birds time to tighten up by the time the show day arrives. For the purposes of spraying it will be best to run your birds into an old show cage.

About five or six weeks before the show season commences you should carefully trim the claws and beaks of each bird. You will thus avoid the necessity of handling your birds just before a show, and possibly damaging their plumage. I well remember that during one of my visits to the Crystal Palace Exhibition, as I stood admiring that wonderful specimen of the Goldfinch-Bullfinch cross exhibited by the late Mr. Williams, of Liverpool, so well known to cage-bird fanciers as the Mule King, the proud owner of the bird came up to me and asked the loan of a pair of scissors to trim the bird's claws. He said he preferred to carry out such an operation after, rather than before the important Palace event.

Another very important matter in the preparation of our birds, and one to which a great many exhibitors do not give sufficient attention, is their training. During the summer and early moulting season, the birds should be kept in large cages, with the perches as far apart as possible, so as to give them plenty of exercise. But if our birds are to do themselves justice at the shows, it will be necessary to get them thoroughly used to their show cages, and you will find it a good plan to run the birds into these frequently during the latter part of their moult, so that they may be quite accustomed to them when the time arrives for them to be sent to the shows.

Train the Birds Regularly.

For my own part I never allow my birds to lose the habit of moving freely from stock cage to show cage, and vice-versa. There is never a week in the year when my birds do not spend some time in their show cages. Every week each stock cage is thoroughly overhauled and cleaned, and during these operations the bird is transferred to its show cage, and the cage placed in a show case, which, of course, is left open. If this is done regularly, you will have no difficulty when the show season arrives.

It will also be advisable when the shows are in progress to give the birds the same hop from perch to perch as they get in their show cages, and it is also important that the perches in the respective cages should be similar in size and shape, as these precautions will prevent any clumsiness in taking the perches.

When paying a visit to a show it is easy to discover the birds which have not received this training. I have frequently

seen birds put low down and even out of the prize list owing to this lack of training and consequent bad carriage. In some cases, especially with Britishers, the birds even refuse to take the perches, preferring to run to and fro on the cage-bottom, or to spend a large portion of their time clinging to the front wires. With proper training, however, these faults may be remedied, and the birds will thus stand a much better chance of getting into the award list.

When the time arrives for sending your birds to the shows you will find that this part of your hobby furnishes yet another instance of that "glorious uncertainty" which makes hybrid breeding such a fascinating pastime. Here again, however, much can be done to enhance your chances of winning.

Show your birds to the very best advantage. No matter how good a specimen you may possess, it will look better and smarter in a suitable cage than in an ugly cage, where it cannot be seen to the best advantage. Send out your birds, then, in properly fitted show cages of the latest pattern, and stage them as faultlessly as possible. I send out all my birds in cages of the British Bird and Mule Club pattern, with exteriors enamelled black, and wires and interiors either holly-green or mid-green. The outside of drinker should be black.

Pay a visit to one or two of the larger shows, and learn for yourself how the big winners stage their exhibits. I have paid several visits to the great Crystal Palace show, and have found these visits an education in themselves. I hope on some future occasion to write some reminiscences of these Palace visits.

I am not in favour of overshadowing one's birds, and unless one possesses a big team on which to ring the changes, I consider six or seven shows enough in any one season, which means sending out your team about once a fortnight.

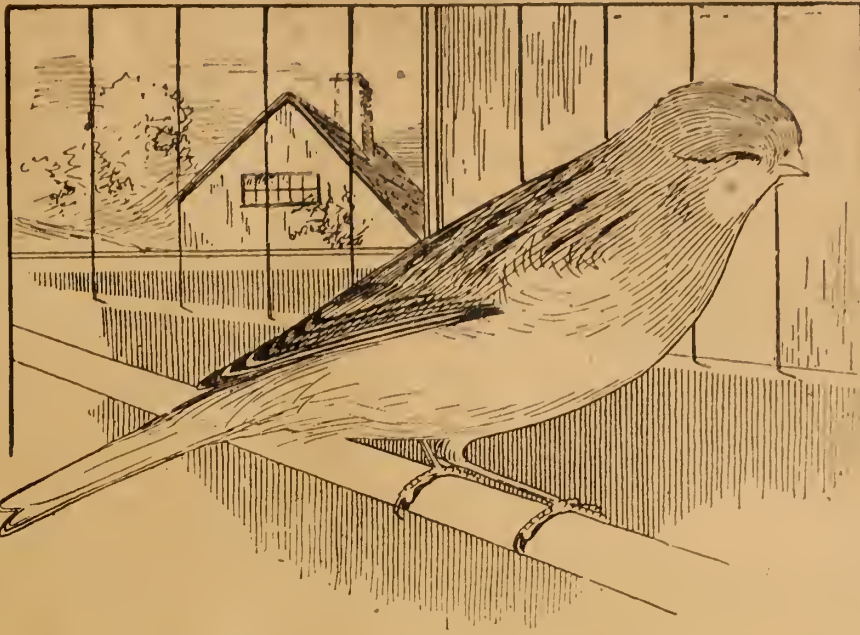
Assist the Secretaries.

Enter your birds early, as late entries are a source of great annoyance to secretaries, causing inconvenience and mistakes. Before sending off your team to a show see that your cage labels are tied on firmly and correctly and that each bird is put into its proper cage according to class and number. Always forward them by such trains as will enable them to reach the hall the night previous to the show, as this will give them time to settle down before judging time arrives.

I would warn young beginners not to expect too great results from their early efforts. It should be remembered that "Rome was not built in a day," and the successful exhibition of birds is only achieved by long practical experience. Learn to take your wins and losses in the same good spirit. We should not be too hasty in our criticisms of the judge's awards, nor should we assume that we know all his motives. By all means criticise his awards if you think he has made mistakes, but let your criticisms be fair, and at least give him credit for having done his work honestly and conscientiously. Judges, after all, are merely human, and like the Mayor of Slocum-on-Mud, they sometimes make mistakes. Above all show your birds honestly. Do not let your desire to finish on top lead you to act fraudulently.

In conclusion, if there are any among my readers who are in search of a hobby I can thoroughly recommend Hybrid breeding as a delightful pastime, extremely fascinating, and one which will provide plenty of healthy and enjoyable excitement. You will find in the pursuit of it plenty to amuse, to interest, and to instruct you, and when at last you have reached the goal of your ambition, and the living hybrid stands before you—a result of all your labours—your joy will be such as is never known to the man who buys his winners.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.



A LADY'S WINNING CRESTBRED CANARY.

This fine specimen was exhibited at Norwich Show by Miss H. E. Moore, of Ct. Yarmouth, for whom it won first prize.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to Keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 105.)

IT may appear to be a little peculiar, but many birds will sing better at a certain period of the day; some will sing their best in the morning, others in the afternoon or evening, while there appears to be a settled condition with all birds, that is, they will sing quieter and steadier in a subdued light.

There appears to be no end to the different ways of bringing the tours. I recall to mind two birds that sang in one style quite classical deliveries. The first one commenced with a bass roll, hollow roll, hollow bell Schockel, Glucke, water roll, and flutes, yet when it became excited it would soar away from the Schockel to a piercing bell, and terminate with sharp flutes. The second bird was a steady singer in its normal condition, taking the succession of the tours calmly and evenly, but upon hearing the shrill challenging call notes of another bird it would break the sequence and flounder with the remaining portion of the song.

Faults Almost Inevitable.

Others will be found that will sing their faulty tours in or about the middle of their song, while again others will commence well and end badly, that is, they bring their faulty tours at the end of their song, and this is the least objectionable way a fault can be delivered. It will be a very difficult matter indeed to obtain one that has a good variety of tours and rolls and does not sing something faulty, but see to it that the mellowness of tone—a condition not always confined to the deep-toned singer—the number, and quality of the good tours compensate for the faulty passages or passages.

It is hardly necessary to say that it is desirable the tutor should have a well-connected delivery, for youngsters endeavour to copy their tutor's style of singing. That all do not "make good" in this respect is evident from the number of incoherent songsters to be met with, even on the show bench. Should it be desirable to purchase a tutor, the best time as a rule will be after the show season has commenced, that is, in the autumn and early winter months. The early bred youngsters will then be forward with their song, and a year old or an old bird will then be easier to procure than at the approach of the breeding season, there being always a ready sale for all well-bred stock. An old or an over year bird is more reliable than a youngster, for it is not an uncommon occurrence for the latter to leave out of its song one or more tours; sometimes this will occur while under tuition.

I am only able to quote one instance of youngsters not being placed under tuition until the schoolmaster had gone through the moult. In this case the old bird had been used very freely in the breeding cage,

and was not singing in its best form just at the required time. Rather than allow the youngsters to hear this song, the owner preferred to wait until the bird had moulted, and tuition did not commence until October, when the bird's song was steadier, and not so loud as previous to the moult.

Naturally the youngsters were rather late in attaining their full song, but the forbearance on the owner's part was amply repaid, as it proved one of the best years he experienced on the show bench. Without further evidence it would be very difficult to say whether it would be wise to follow the plan generally, but that the pupils turned out well in this case was proved from the fact that, after being on rail for over twenty hours, they were well up in the prizes at the provincial show held at Belle Vue in 1910.

I believe that youngsters should be placed under the schoolmaster early after leaving the breeding room, and, as I have previously intimated, it will be advantageous to the pupils should the tutor retain his song during the moulting season. He should be placed, for preference, in a low position, or underneath the youngsters, so that his song will be easily recognisable to them.

The Place for the Tutors.

It is advisable that the tutor should be kept in the song cage and cabinet, or in a shutter-cage. Whether he should remain constantly in the training room must necessarily be left to each fancier's convenience. Perchance some are away from home all day and in such a case I would advise that the tutor's cage be opened for a short period in the morning for, say, about half-an-hour, and again in the evening, and that between these intervals he be removed from the training room, his cage doors kept closed. If one of the members of the household can be prevailed upon to repeat the operation about mid-day, it would be beneficial.

Where convenience will not allow the above instructions to be followed, the bird must necessarily remain in the training room constantly, and be opened to full daylight when convenient, but this method would tend to have a detrimental effect on the old bird's song. The calls of the young cocks offer an inducement for it to commence singing, thus causing it to sing more than is necessary.

(To be Continued.)

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Correspondence.

A Ringed Bullfinch Caught.

Sir, I have to day caught a young cock Bullfinch with a ring on one of its legs. I make the wording and number on ring to be: "Aberdeen M UNIV 223." It will be interesting to know through CAGE BIRDS where the bird was rung.

F. L. RYMER.

Pickering, Yorks.

Sons and Whole of Staff Gone to the Front.

Sir, Would it be asking too much for you to kindly intimate that my cage-making, etc., works are closed, the whole of my employees, including my two sons, having gone to the front. I offered my own services, but although a trained man, my age, 63, was against me. I trust you will oblige me, and I hope to advertise again in better days.

JOHN A. REECE.

Bristol.

To Trap Slugs and Snails.

Sir, In this week's CAGE BIRDS I notice a correspondent wants to know of a trap for slugs and snails; here are two:—Place some cabbage leaves flat on the ground at night with a little bran sprinkled under them. Those garden pests will be found under the leaves in the morning, and can be disposed of. Another way is: Rub some lard or dripping on one side of cabbage leaves, and then place them on the ground, turning the rubbed side underneath. I think these will be found satisfactory.

(MISS) S. G. RUBY.

An Appeal to Stand Firm.

Sir, The panic that is overtaking some societies is regrettable. Can't they see that they are playing into the enemy's hands in postponing and abandoning their fixtures? If the enemy can see that he has made such an impression as to cause the entire overthrow of our domestic system, it will give him and his army as big a fillip, and be as good a tonic to them as a good substantial feed of real cow beef. Do, for goodness sake, let us go on as if nothing were happening. Let us show him that we are so confident of success that we are not abandoning our hobbies. It will be as big a blow to him as if he were hit by a shell from one of his own siege guns. If the wholesale abandoning of fixtures is going to be persisted in, fanciers will sell out, and the Fancy will receive such a blow that it will be years before it recovers from the wound. Manchester's decision is to be regretted. Can't its members in their wisdom conceive some way out of the impasse?

T. JOHNSON.

How Did Birds Originate?

Sir, I am afraid that Mr. Johnson takes rather much on himself when he assumes I am cornered. It would take much better arguments than those put forth by Mr. Johnson to "corner" me. But, might I ask Mr. Johnson, now that he has heard some of the arguments for evolution, to prove that birds and reptiles are not related? After he has done this, I will be pleased to give him a few more reasons for evolution. If animals suffered from indigestion natural selection would weed them out. Also, is not ten per cent a very large percentage as compared with the lower animals?

R. MAXWELL SAVAGE.

Sir, If it will suit Mr. H. Panton better I will alter my remarks to the following: "I have proved over and over again that I am years (instead of 'streets') ahead of Dr. Butler and Mr. Silver as a reliable ornithologist." I agree with Mr. Panton that my letter in your issue of August 15th should give the evolution theory its death blow, as my information was taken from the highest authority on the subject, and it confirms my own observations. Mr. Panton's remarks are highly complimentary to the power of my observations.

JOHN CRAIG.

Beith.

Sir, Mr. McLean sums the controversy up in a nutshell. The theorists have not advanced an argument in favour of their beliefs, and have made a poor show indeed. It is a matter of faith to them—the scientists have spoken, and it is so! But with me it is not sufficient for a scientist to say a thing is so. I want to know how he has formed his impressions, and when his theories fail to satisfy legitimate curiosity, he can't blame us for being sceptical.

I am sorry you saw fit to ask Mr. Savage to refrain from answering my questions on 'the evolution of the horse.' Both you and he may have thought that it was an exhibi-

tion of ignorance on my part, but I intended it to be. I am quite aware of the accepted theory, but it has always seemed a funny thing to me how different species—which the scientists tell us sprang from one common stock—should be living to day under exactly the same circumstances, yet one has adapted itself to those circumstances and the other has not. I could go farther with this argument, but, in face of your dictum, I have no other course but to refrain.

T. JOHNSON.

Sir, Darwin maintained that all the birds on the face of the earth were descended from one pair or a few pairs of birds. This is not "after their kind." Now it is stated that birds evolved from reptiles; neither is this "after their kind." The above is also another change of front. It is amusing to hear some of the ideas of evolutionists. An evolutionist told me that it took a million years to make a species, and when the Cuckoo began to deposit its eggs in other birds' nests; it had three toes before and one behind; it turned one of the front toes to the back, and then it reduced the size of its eggs. Another evolutionist said there was no such thing as species; and yet another stated there were millions of species.

I endorse Mr. A. McLean's remarks that theories and speculations about the origin of birds will ever remain worthless unless they resolve themselves into the web of life's experience, and that Darwin, Wallace, Huxley, Spencer, etc., have never given us anything better than the Creation story in Genesis, nor as good.

I am well aware that evolutionists maintain that it takes many thousands of years to make big changes in living creatures. I am not disputing whether it takes a long or a short period to make supposed fundamental changes in reptiles or birds. So I am labouring under no delusion. My contention is that it has never been proved that birds evolved from reptiles. I would like to point out that coloured figures of birds, geese, Hoopoes, etc., have been found on frescoes discovered in an Egyptian temple that must be nearly 5,000 years old, and that they are faithful representations of the species at the present day.

I was also pleased to see Mr. A. Thurley's remarks on the subject. When I read the editor's prize scheme for the encouragement of fanciers to produce new varieties of Canaries, Hybrids, etc., I wondered if he would give further prizes to those who may have a notion to try and breed varieties between a Hybrid and any other species, or to produce varieties between two Hybrids. However, I consider the Editor's offer the best he has ever made, and I hope he will extend it over future years.

JOHN CRAIG.

A Slander Repudiated.

Sir, It has reached me that some one in London has been reporting that I am a German. I should like to say that I am not. I belong to an old Devonshire family. My father was in the British Navy, and my grandfather, his father, also served 40 years in the British navy, and was chief gunner on the H.M.S. Excellent for many years. Reference to an old Navy list would prove this. I think it is a dirty, low down trick to say such a thing at these times. If you would kindly publish this I should be glad.

JAMES YEALLAND.

Binstead, I of W.

Portsmouth's Secretary will Brighten Local Hospitals.

Sir, I am pleased to think that your Hospital Canary scheme will be a success, and when I can find time to tackle our Canary members I trust to get a few birds for our local hospitals. I might say that unfortunately we have been obliged to convert two of our secondary schools into Army Hospitals, besides having the fixed Army Hospital on Portsdown Hill, which covers roughly forty acres, and the local infirmary for the most severe cases. You see we are a base for both Army and Navy, and only last Sunday we had two special trains of wounded come in.

G. T. HALL.

Hon. Sec. Portsmouth and Southern Counties C.B.S.

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"Business As Usual" at Reading.

Sir, At the meeting of the Reading and Dis. C.B.S., held last Wednesday, it was decided to hold open show as usual, so we hope fanciers will keep November 11th in their mind, and give us as much support as they can. We are also willing to spend £1 5s. in advertising same in CAGE BIRDS, so you can put it in the list of shows fixed.

O. C. SMITH, Sec.

Brandon Colliery C.B.S. "Without Fear."

Sir, At a monthly meeting held in the Workmen's Social Club, Sept. 5, it was decided to still run our open show, which is fixed for Jan. 23. With the good support we have offered us we shall pull through without fear. Three of our members have joined the Colours, viz., Wm. Bacey, chairman; Wm. Hunter, junr.; and M. Bailes. They have left their birds in the care of other members until their return. Our best wishes be with them all.

GEO. REED, Sec.

No Halls Available in Glasgow.

Sir, We very much regret to inform you that the executive of the City of Glasgow Ornithological Association, owing to the war crisis, have decided to postpone their annual (61st) show indefinitely. This decision was only arrived at after great reluctance and consideration, but in view of the fact that all suitable halls in Glasgow are reserved for Government purposes, no other course was left open. Thanking you for past kindnesses and favours, we are,

THOMAS THOMSON (President),
YOUNG & HEGGIE (Joint. Secs.),
City of Glasgow O.A.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S. Will Come Up Smiling.

Sir, At a meeting held Sept. 1, New Inn, Mr. Hathaway presided over an average attendance. After minutes and correspondence the question arose as to the advisability of holding the open show, and after a very lengthy discussion it was decided to cancel the show, owing to the present crisis. Seeing that Burton is the mobilising centre for the Midlands, and the railways are used at week-ends for Military purposes, the Committee had no alternative, which they very much regret, but if opportunity presents itself later they will endeavour to come up smiling and try to carry out the country's motto—"Business as usual."

A. WOOD, Sec.

An L. and P.O.S. Show for the Fanciers of London.

Sir, The London and Provincial O.S., at a special committee meeting held last Thursday, decided to hold a show the last week in October or the first week in November, with competition open to all fanciers who can deliver and fetch their birds to and from the show by hand or carrier. In consequence of information given by the railway companies they (the committee) cannot accept the responsibility of dispatching birds by the London railways. A special effort is being made to secure a hall on a route well served by trams and motor buses. Packages are carried on the trams on the drivers' platforms, and this convenience should help exhibitors.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

Bradford National Charity Show

An Appeal to Local Fanciers.

Sir, At our last meeting it was decided to call together all the fanciers in the Bradford district to see what steps should be taken with regard to this year's National show, in view of the present crisis. Those present seemed to be of the opinion that the public would have so many calls for subscriptions to relief funds that our subscriptions would fall off considerably, and the working-man fancier would not be in a financial position to support the show with good entries. Then there is the question of carriage of birds. Will the railway companies be able to undertake live stock carrying? However, it rests with the fanciers, and we hope to have a good gathering on Wed., Sept. 16, at the Market Tavern, at 8 p.m., when all will have an opportunity of expressing an opinion. Those unable to be present would greatly oblige if they would send a post card expressing their views.

S. MIDDLETON, Hon. Sec.

10, Victoria Street, Clayton, Bradford.

Kelty's Secretary Called Up.

Sir, The open show of the Kelty and Blairadam C.B.A. has been postponed through the condition of the country, and also through myself being called up with the Home Hospital Reserve. I am at present stationed at Glencorse, and likely to be for some time. Any communications to me should be addressed—

PTE. A. DICKSON.

Military Hospital,
Glencorse, Midlothian.

The Excellent Scheme of the Clapham C.B.A.

Sir, At a meeting of the Clapham and Dis. C.B.A., held Sept. 1, it was announced that the Chairman had secured Strathblane Hall, Clapham Junction, for the autumn show, to be held on October 14 and 15. The schedule will contain about 45 classes. The object of this Association in extending the hospitality of its organisation to all who will bring their birds is to secure for London fanciers, at any rate, another opportunity to exhibit their birds, and although all indications point to a possible loss, the Association is prepared to face that loss in an endeavour to advance the interests of the Fancy. I should like, however, to urge all members who have not attended the meetings lately to send their contributions to the special prize list to the secretary without delay.

A. R. COE.

Portsmouth Hope it is Postponement Only.

Sir, At a special meeting of the Portsmouth and Southern Counties Cage Bird Society, it was decided to abandon the annual open show for 1914, and at a later date to consider the feasibility of having a show early in the New Year. The War was the sole reason of the abandonment, and those fanciers who reside in garrison towns will realise more fully perhaps than others the impossibility of holding shows whilst the War lasts. We hope, however, to have a series of table shows in order that the members may keep in touch with the Fancy, and it is fully recognised that only by keeping together shall we be able to have a bumper show next year. We have one committee-man doing his bit on the "Fearless" in the North Sea, two others on active service in the Army, and two other members called up. Personally, I am working from 6.15 a.m. till 9 p.m., Sundays included, and I have been obliged to liberate some of the more delicate softbills that I had succeeded in obtaining this last season.

G. T. HALL, Hon. Sec.

An Appeal to Newcastle Fanciers.

Sir, At a meeting held on Thursday the members of the Newcastle C.B.S. decided to cancel the open show fixed for Oct. 23 and 24. We have quite a number of very good reasons for doing so. We decided to hold a show later on. There was a suggestion put forward for each member to give a Canary to be sold for the benefit of the Lord Mayor's War Fund. I shall be pleased to receive promises from anyone, whether members of our Society or not. We wish to get 100 or more. Now, Newcastle fanciers, rally round and let us do something to help to relieve the sufferings of those dear ones whom our brave lads have left behind. Remember, they have gone to fight for you and all; aye, for the very existence of our nation; and we who cannot be with them must do something, however little, to assist their wives and children. My Assistant Secretary, Mr. J.

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J. W. REED, Sec.

E. Lothian C.B.S. Unanimous.

Sir,—A special meeting of the East Lothian C.B.S. was held on Sept. 4 to consider whether we were to hold our open show, notwithstanding the national crisis. After some discussion it was unanimously decided to hold our annual open show as usual on Oct. 17, hoping that fanciers who supported us in the past will do so in the future. The next meeting will be to appoint another judge in room of Mr. Bruce (Coldstream), who has been called up for active service.

J. FAIRGRIEVE.

Manchester Will Hold a Show.

Sir,—I beg to inform you that at a meeting of the Manchester and N.C.O.S., on Sept. 7, the question of our postponed Open Show came up for discussion. It was decided that we hold an Open Show on a smaller scale than usual, viz., a one-day show in a smaller hall and with reduced classification. To avoid clashing with any other Society we purpose holding this show on Oct. 31, one of the days previously fixed for our show. Further particulars will be announced later. I hope fanciers will do their best to support this show.

F. HAYWARD.

Hon. Sec. M. and N.C.O.S.

Club Reports.

COLINTON & CURRIE PARISHES.

Meeting, Village Hall, Juniper Green, Sept. 5. President (Mr. Begbie) in the chair. It was unanimously decided to go on with annual show as usual on Nov. 7. Mr. Gibson was present and kindly presented us with a cup. Mr. Begbie, on behalf of the Society, thanked Mr. Gibson for his kindness, and it was decided to give the cup for the best bird bred by a novice, a novice to be one who has never won a first prize. Decided to drop the old bird classes this year, and Mr. Begbie hoped members would get as many specials as possible. Next meeting Oct. 3.—Jas. Napier, Sec.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters Sept. 3, Mr. H. C. Humphries presiding over a good number of members. After discussion it was decided to hold the annual show as arranged, and the drawing up of the schedule was proceeded with and a number of specials promised. The rest of the evening was given up to questions and answers, which proved very entertaining and instructive. At next meeting, Oct. 1, there will be a washing demonstration and competition, and we hope members will bring a bird even if they don't intend to go in for the competition.—Burton Bros., Hon. Secs.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Meeting Sept. 5, with a good turn-out of members, who fully discussed whether to hold an annual show or not. It was ultimately decided that owing to the uncertainty of getting hall (the hall having been promised, if needed, for the wounded soldiers or sailors), and also the likelihood of not getting the usual support that we abandon the show for the present season. I may say that there is great disappointment among the members as to the way that things have turned, as there was every prospect of a record show.—G. Havver, Hon. Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Meeting Sept. 7. Decided that points for tea service and medal competition should be counted in separate classes where possible. Mr. F. W. Alecock leads with 16 points; Messrs. Leese and Davis tie for second place with 13 points. The open show fixed for Nov. 19th came up for consideration, and after a thorough discussion it was felt advisable to abandon it this season. A suggestion was made that we try to arrange a series of inter-club shows amongst the members of the four North Staffordshire societies and with this object in view the secretary was instructed to ascertain the opinion of the local clubs on the matter.—J. Pitchford.

LANCS. AND LIZARD F.A.

Special meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, one of the best for some time. After ordinary business was gone through, we had Mr. Bradley's scheme up for discussion. It was decided that in face of the present crisis it was not advisable to put the trophy up for competition for this season, as it would possibly be a big struggle for some of the members to show at all, and they would be put under a big disadvantage beside their more fortunate brethren. It was, however, decided that the points gained in 1915 and 1916 and 1916 and 1917 be counted, and the member with the highest number of points win the trophy. There will also most likely be a good prize for second and third points. It had originally been intended for the trophy to be in the form of a gold watch, value £10 10s., but as Mr. Bradley said it was quite possible the prize might be won by a member who would prefer the value in cash, it was left

open for the winner to have the choice of cash or a trophy, and instead of one prize the £10 10s. will be divided into three prizes, which will be decided upon later. Our members will be sorry to hear that besides Manchester it has been decided to abandon Sheffield show as well, so that means two of our patronage shows going down. Liverpool, I am pleased to hear, intend going on with their show, and as our spangled beauties are once again being catered for, it is to be hoped that members will reward the pluck of the officials with a bumping entry. It was left in the hands of the Sec. to call a meeting if required, but up to the present there is no necessity for same.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting, Sept. 3, Purves Cafe, with a splendid turn-out of members. Mr. T. C. Crawhall chair. Correspondence read from Mr. G. Curry re Cambridge Hall for open show. We cannot get the use of this hall owing to it being made into a military hospital. Letters were read from the judges: Messrs. J. Robson, J. F. Dewar, G. Brown, A. Holden and J. Stewart. After a discussion we reluctantly came to the conclusion to cancel the open show this year; it was decided to hold a members' show, the date to be fixed later, and to ask the Northern Specialist Societies to grant their patronage. It was suggested by Mr. Tindale that the members be each asked to contribute a Canary towards the Lord Mayor's War Fund. I shall be pleased to receive promises from anyone, whether members or not; the birds will be sold, and the cash received will go to swell the War Fund.—J. W. Reed.

SHEFFIELD O.S.

Meeting, headquarters, Rose and Crown Hotel, Sept. 1, Mr. T. Dawn presiding. Unfortunately the business of the evening was not of a very pleasing character, owing to the European crisis. Instead of making arrangements for an all-England show we had to consider whether it was not advisable to proceed with arrangements or cancel the fixture for 1914 altogether. Eventually it was unanimously decided that we abandon the fixture for this year. The Government have taken over the Corn Exchange, the hall taken for the show, and are using it for a recruiting station, and I hear afterwards going to fit it up as a hospital. We trust that the specialist clubs and our patrons will all rally round us in 1915, when we hope that the country will be in a more settled state and things will work smoothly. Apologising to the Fancy at large for the disappointment we shall cause by taking this step.—J. A. T. Woodall, Press Correspondent.

NORTHWOOD F.A.

Annual general meeting, club room, Maxwell-rd., Sept. 3. Owing to the war the meeting was not fully attended. Sec. read report for the year, which showed the Society to be in a good position, with a balance in hand of £3. The annual show, held at Park Farm on Nov. 26, was the finest show they had yet held, both in numbers and quality. Thanks are due to Messrs. Everitt, Brickell, Carter, Collier, Sparks and Franklin, who worked hard to make the show a success; also to the ladies who kindly provided refreshments, etc. It was resolved to hold the next annual show at Park Farm on Nov. 11 and 12, but that it would be policy, owing to the present crisis, to make it only partly an open show, and to add more members' classes. Several letters were read and the Sec. advised to deal with same. The usual votes of thanks concluded the meeting. Annual membership subscription, 2s. 6d.—P. J. Barnes, Hon. Sec., Maxwell rd., Northwood.

(Club Reports continued on next page.)

In the Courts.

RATS!

A Tale That Didn't Wash.

Joseph Saunders and Benjamin Saunders, his brother, were summoned at Bromley on Aug. 24 for using a net for the purposes of snaring wild birds in a field, contrary to the Wild Birds Protection Order (Aug., 1912). Joseph Saunders pleaded not guilty. The other defendant did not appear.—P.C. 178P stated that while on duty at Ruxley Hill he was informed that two men were in a brickfield near by acting in a suspicious manner. Witness went to the field, and one of the men ran away; the other said he was only catching a few rats. At the station he admitted he was catching Linnets. Witness afterwards saw the brother and told him he would be reported for a summons. He replied, "The nets are not mine, but my brother's."—Prisoner denied having said that he was after Linnets. He was trying to catch rats. The Chairman (Mr. J. W. Wheeler-Bennett): But the nets are the kind used for catching birds. Defendant: Yes, I admit that; but they are as good for catching rats as birds. The Chairman said the Bench believed that the defendants were in the field for the purpose of catching wild birds. If they were summoned again they would be severely dealt with, but in this case they would only have to pay the costs—8s. in the case of the first defendant, and 10s. in the case of the second.

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CLUB REPORTS—Continued from overleaf.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting held at headquarters on Sept. 4, Mr. Jos. Guy in the chair, and a large attendance of members. It was decided to hold a members' show, Dec. 5th, Mr. Leigh, Warrington, to judge.—E. Rone, Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON P.P. AND C.B.A.

Meeting held Bedford Hotel, Sept. 2, Mr. Stables chair. Revised rules passed for printing. After full discussion it was unanimously decided to abandon the open show this year; principal causes being, hall has been taken by military, railway continually liable to be held up, and general local distress.—G. J. Slade.

FIFE AND KINROSS N.P.C.

Members please note that I wrote to the President when I was called up, explaining my position. He has replied saying he does not think there is any need for the club this year, with which I agree. I expect he will call a meeting shortly, when you can all give your own opinions of what to do in the matter. I will look for further instructions. Wishing you all well.—Pte. A. Dickson, Military Hospital, Glencorse, Midlothian.

NATIONAL BRITISH BIRD & M.C.

Meeting July 30. Patronage was granted to the following shows: Bristol, Watford, Newcastle, Manchester, Wembleton, Cheltenham, Sheffield, Leyton, Nottingham, Portsmouth, Southend, Stoke, Bradford, Gateshead, Scottish National, Doncaster, and Llanelly.—J. P. Carr, Hon. Sec.

[Since the above meeting, notice of which has only just come to hand, some of the shows to which patronage has been granted have been cancelled.—Ed. C.B.]

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Meeting held Sept 1-14, at headquarters, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, Mr. Frank Cole in the chair. This fixture was for a lecture on the Yorkshire, but unfortunately no one appeared available for this date. The Chairman suggested that some member should give us a few words, and Mr. A. J. Clarke kindly consented. His advice to a novice was very striking, and he gave some valuable hints as to the best methods of obtaining good birds, also as to suitable cages and general management. A discussion followed, many taking part, and some good arguments resulted. A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Clarke for kindly volunteering his remarks, and a pleasant evening closed.—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec.

The Shows.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Third of the four table shows for the Hattersley cruets, Yorks. and Norwich sections, Sep. 5. Entries did not come up to the usual standard, owing to the birds being deep in the moult. Mr. H. Chew judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

YORKS. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Norton; 2, 4, Baldwinson. NOR. (7): 1, 2, Baldwinson; 3, Norton; 4, vhc, hc, e, Wilson. The leaders for the above specials are: Yorks. section: E, Norton, 32 pts.; Reed, Longley and Reed, 18; J. Sykes, 14. Norwich, W. A. Wilson, 29; T. Baldwinson, 26; J. Livingston, 25.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

DOUGLAS N.B.

Show held under the auspices of the Douglas Horticultural Society, Public School, Sept. 4. The bird fancy has gone down a good deal since the winter show was allowed to lapse, and we are pleased an effort is being made to revive the interest again. The entry was not very large, but quality was superior throughout. Mr. Thos. Ritchie, Lesmahagow, judged, and his awards were well received. SCOTCH FANCY: 1, Watson, rare good cl. yell., good top end and drive, excellent style. HEN: 1, Watson, cl. yell., nice subs., good shoulder and drive, full of qual. BORD., CL. OR TKD. CK. (5): 1, 2, Watson, 1st good cl. buff, nice head and size, very fit. 2nd good tkd buff, good type, nice cond.; 3, Arncl. HEN (3): 1, 2, Watson, sweet cl. buff, excellent shape and cond.; 2, yell., charming type and feather. A.O.V. (7): 1, Gibson, neat head, buff, jaunty carr., nice cond.; 2, Arncl. unev. yell., very good type and carr., nice head and cond.; 3, Watson, unev. buff wing mtd., excellent style and quality, close up. BRIT.: Cancelled. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Telfer, 1st well-known Pekin Nightingale, in perfect order, 2nd charming Grenadier Weaver, in full blaze of colour.

BRYNSIENCYN.

Third annual show Aug. 29, in rather wet weather, still the attendance was better than expected. President, Mr. E. T. John, M.P.; treasurer, Mr. J. Williams; hon. secs., Messrs. J. Williams and W. O. Pritchard. Mr. W. Nolan judged very satisfactorily.

YORKS. (4): 1, O. Jones, good length and style, shapely, nice shoulders, not quite ready; 2, not in catalogue, nice length and

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Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

ACCOMMODATION (S. T. Jones).—The height is not sufficient to be of any value in your case. The floor space is all that should count, and if you have the flight made 11in. wide it will accommodate from eight to ten birds the size of a Norwich Canary. If 16in. wide you may keep from twelve to sixteen. In either case you must see that the floor is kept clean and well sanded, or covered with a layer of clean pine sawdust.

WILL THEY BE FIT? (Dickie).—(1) You do not give enough particulars about the Yorkshire cock to make it sure what is the trouble with him. It would have been useful

pos., good col. and feather; 3, J. Jones. NOR. (2): 1, not in catalogue, good size and shape, nice head and neck, rich col.; 2, G. Jones, typical, nice size, good wings and tail, close up. MULE (3): 1, J. O. Roberts, good size and col. Goldie-Bullie; 2, J. Hughes, well known Goldie Mule; 3, R. Hughes, good Linnet, often noted. GOLDF. (3): 1, E. Jones, good size and col., rich flush face, grand width of skull, nice tan and markings; 2, Lewis and Pritchard, nice size, good body and tan, rich blaze, sound Finch; 3, R. Thomas, typical, nice face, bars and buttons. A.O. BRIT. (1): 1, Lewis and Pritchard, good Yellow Bunting, capital size, rich col. LOCAL (3): 1, J. Hughes; 2, Mary E. Jones; 3, Blodwen Jones.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

LEEDS.

Quality Linnet contest Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Sept. 6. 19 birds sang for three prizes. 1, Sissons; 2, Stead; 3, Richardson. Judges, S. Hardcastle and W. Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality Linnet singing contest, held Skinners' Arms, Busingthorpe, Sep. 6. We had friends from outside districts to hear some very good singing. 1, Ward; 2, Laycock; 3, Binns. Judges, C. Clayton and J. Dolton.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

BRISTOL F.A., Oct. 1.—The Coliseum; judges: J. Robson, D. A. S. Longden. 36 classes: Crests, 2; C.B., 2; Nor., 5 (1 Nov.); Yorks. 9 (2 Nov.); Bord., 4; For., 2; Mules, 3; Brit., 7; Sell., 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Sept. 21, to G. T. H. Maggs, 9, Trinity St., Newtown, Bristol.

if you had said whether he was in a plump or emaciated condition. Try what a week or two of the following treatment will do for him, and if not considerably better in, say, a month, write again and repeat all particulars, and give the above information. See that he is not exposed to direct cold draughts, nor the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. See that the perches are of a proper size and well fitting, and examine his claws to see whether they are overgrown, and if this is the case cut them back to a proper length. In addition to the staple diet of plain canary seed give half a teaspoonful of summer rape every other day, and on the alternate days give a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and four of sherry mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed. Give a little green food, or half ripe wild seeds daily. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice daily for three days. After this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight. (2) Yes, the young cocks that were bred in June last will be quite fit for breeding next season if they keep in good health and are robust. The fact that they do not yet sing is of no importance provided they are really cocks. Many young cocks make no serious efforts at singing until the end of the following January after they are hatched.

A QUESTION OF DIET (A. M. J., Cricklewood).—(1) Liberal feeding during the moult is not very likely to do any harm. It is later on, during the winter months, that it is more likely to prove detrimental, on account of the birds having no particular drain or tax on the system at that time. When the moult is over give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition give separately every second day an allowance of half a teaspoonful of summer rape per bird, and on the intervening days give once a week a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, and teazle, and on one other day a small teaspoonful of egg-food per bird, or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk, or other soft food. As long as the weather is mild and open give a spray of watercress, or other green-stuff, three times a week, and at other times substitute a morsel of banana, sweet apple, or raw or boiled carrot. Give as much space as you can for exercise. Hens may be kept in groups in large flights. Glad to hear the advice given last spring has proved so successful to you. (2) As regards treatment of injured bird, you would doubtless find what you require at either of these places:—M. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow; Mr. H. Gray, M.R.C.V.S., 23, Upper Phillimore Place, W.; or Mr. H. Vale, Norwood Junction, S.W.

A TENDERFOOT (E. Lockhart).—(1) The tender feet are probably a natural effect of the moult. Keep the perches as clean as possible, and see they are of a proper size and shape, and of a nice soft wood. Catch bird, and bathe feet daily for a few minutes in a warm solution of boracic acid—a teaspoonful of the acid in a saucerful of warm water—then dry gently and anoint with zine ointment. Add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water for three consecutive days, and afterwards substitute 20 drops of chemical food every second day for a fortnight. See that bird is kept under healthful conditions. (2) It does not follow that because a bird eats all one kind of seed and rejects other kinds that it ought to have only the kind it eats given it. Your staple diet is correct. You should make it eat more canary by not renewing the supply as soon as all the rape has been picked out. Let it remain until at least a good portion of the canary has been consumed. See reply to "A.M.J.," Cricklewood, and feed the bird the same, minus the separate supply of rape, and retaining your present staple of canary and rape mixed together.

PICKS HIS FEATHERS (Dick, Preston).—I am strongly inclined to think that the bird is troubled with red mites, notwithstanding what you say about his apparent freedom from them. The fact of his being on full song is not by any means a criterion that he is not troubled with this pest. Thoroughly examine the cage, especially about the perch ends, and in any cracks or open joints that may be about it, probing them with a pin or to a sheet of white paper if necessary. If any mites are found see that they are thoroughly exterminated in the first instance. Then treat the bird for a month in anticipation of the moult, the same as advised to "H. R." in this issue, when the bird will probably come through the moult in good plumage and condition.

HEN SINGING, ETC. (F. E. Mather).—(1) There was nothing at all unusual in the cock refusing to assist in the building of the nest, or in incubation. This is the usual thing, though exceptional specimens will sometimes "lend a hand" more or less. You should have tried leaving the cock with the

hen again for the third brood this season, when she refused to feed the second brood without him. (2) It is a little unusual for a hen to sing so well as you say yours has begun to do, but it is not very rare. There are very exceptional cases where the hen will rival some cocks. (3) If singing qualities are your aim you cannot do better than get Seifert Rollers to mate with your own birds, and preferably of a strain which is bred and trained to sing a similar type of song. Thus, if your bird is trained to excel in deep, hollow rolls, you should introduce only birds from a strain excelling in this type of song, and so on with other song tours.

BALD AND SCURFY HEN (A. A., St. Lukes).—The hen seems to be in a bad way, and is probably thoroughly run down, or played out. See that she is kept in healthful and bright surroundings, free from direct cold draughts, extremes of heat and cold, or the fumes of burning lights in the evenings, and see also that the cage is quite free from

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battley's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stack Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aerics, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nathell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

red mites, and keep it well strewn with clean, gritty sand. Stop feeding on soaked seed. For the next fortnight give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and every second day give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of cherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and on the alternate days give a spray of watercress and add to the drinking water 20 drops of whisky, and five each of ipecacuanha wine and eucalyptus oil, and shake well together. At the end of this fortnight's treatment go on to the treatment advised to "H. R." in this issue, and continue this for two or three weeks, but in your case omit the saffron and substitute instead ten drops of fluid magnesia. This will give the bird the best chance of moulting out into good condition. Stop putting anything on the skin. The substance near the eye may ultimately develop into a tumour, or it may disappear under the treatment advised. In any case do not interfere with it.

SEED SAMPLES (W. C.).—Only one sample of seed reached me—the summer rape, which is of good size, and has the appearance of being well matured, but its very palpable infestation with mites did not tempt me to test its quality beyond external appearances. I have referred to this form of infestation many times in the past in CAGE BIRDS, but have not met with a case for some time now. I consider the seed totally unfit for feeding any class of Canaries. I have been looking for specimens of this particular mite for some time, and should be obliged if you would be good enough to forward me a small quantity of the most "alive" portion of the seed, through the Editor, packed in a small box to prevent it being battered in transit. Perhaps if you enclosed a sample of the seed to the vendor with a polite note drawing his attention to its condition he might meet you in some way.

MAKES CHUCKLING NOISE (H. R.).—As you say the bird has shed only a few feathers it has evidently had its moult checked, which might easily explain its condition. Keep it fairly warm, but do not overheat it, and allow it to bathe as freely as it likes. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition give separately every third day a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, soaked in cold milk, drained, dusted with flowers of sulphur, and finally soft sugar. On the intervening days give first half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana, and next a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle, broken groats, and maw, and a little green food. In the drinking water add every second day for a fortnight as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence, and five drops of syrup of saffron.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THE RED LINNET (Barney, Longton).—The "Red Linnet" is simply the ordinary Linnet with a red breast. This colour it acquires during the breeding season. The plumage of all birds undergoes a change in the spring: in some species it is much more decided than in others. In the case of the Linnet he not only puts on a crimson breast but his beak changes from a light pinkish

tinge to a dark blue grey. When moulted in captivity, the Linnet only becomes a little richer in plumage as the spring advances, and does not assume the red breast, although the beak changes colour in the same way as when the bird is at liberty. The Linnet is a distinct species, and is one of the Finches.

LINNET MATTERS (Caumbina).—Although a heated kitchen is hardly the most desirable place to keep a Linnet in during both winter and summer, there are many of them living under such conditions. What you must do is to hang the cage as low as possible so that the bird gets plenty of light from the window, and is not affected by the upper air of the room when it is rendered impure by the burning gas. If you can manage to hang him outside during the summer months it would certainly be healthier for him, and even on mild days in the winter, if away from any very rough winds. (2) I have examined your two seed samples and find the mixed seed to be the better of the two, the only objection I have to it is that it contains a rather big percentage of English rape, but you can improve it by adding more canary. I would therefore advise you to use this Finch mixture for stock food, and to every pint of it add a quarter of a pint of

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS should consult Boulton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part I "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); "Clarke's" "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

best canary you can procure. You do not mention wild food. At this time of the year you should be giving the seeding tops of many wild plants, such as plantain, groundsel, shepherd's purse, grass, and a host of others that are now full of seed. Collect a fresh supply of these daily, it will improve the health of the bird, and lessen your food bill. If you have any more trouble with looseness of the bowels, purchase an ounce of citrate of iron and ammonia from the chemist, and dissolve as much as will cover a sixpence in three tablespoonfuls of water. You will have no trouble to get the bird to drink this. (3) If you are keeping your bird's solely for song, I would advise you to have one in each compartment, with a board between so that they are unable to see each other; you could purchase two or three next month, and keep the most promising.

FEEDING FINCH AND SOFTBILLS (Sam).—You appear to be feeding your young Mules fairly well, excepting that I do not think you are wise in giving the soaked rape so frequently. I am not so fond of using it myself, and much prefer germinated seeds. If you make a mixture of rape, teazel and canary, and keep it damp, it will soon commence to sprout, when it is ready for use. Seed treated in this manner is much easier to digest than dried seeds. If you make this alteration in your feeding and give an occasional pinch of good maw seed, I think you will stop the looseness. Boil the drinking-water and give a small teaspoonful of chemical food in it three times a week; discontinue when he improves in health. A good stock mixture later on would be the following: Canary 3 parts, teazel 2 parts, rape 1 part, hemp and linseed 1/2 part of each. (2) During such weather as we are having, I would certainly advise you to keep your Blackcaps outside. The air and exercise they get in an outside aviary assist their moulting. If well fed, these birds will live and do well outside all the year round; I have had them in song in the coldest weather. (3) You should have no difficulty in distinguishing the sexes, the cock, as you probably know, has a black crown or cap, that of the hen being brown. (4) Your birds are both cocks, and as soon as they are through the moult the young one will break into song; he will warble quietly at first, and gradually get stronger. The song you get from them will be regulated a good deal by the manner in which you treat them.

COLOUR FEEDING CANARY MULE (Delta).—You should have no difficulty in colour feeding your two-year-old Goldfinch-Canary, but I am afraid you have left it rather late. The food should be given just previous to his dropping into moult, so as to get the colouring matter into the system before the new feathers begin to grow. If you purchase the food from a well-known vendor you will find instructions for feeding sent with it. The method is quite simple. A little of the colour food is mixed with some kind of soft food, and a teaspoonful given to the bird

daily. The quantity of colour is gradually increased until the full strength is reached, and is continued right through the moult.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

WHAT ARE THEY? (J.W.K.).—Your birds are Common or Red Avadavats (Spice Birds are larger and have blackish beaks and no red in plumage at all). Our Nutshell, "Avadavats," 2d. post free from our manager, would tell you all about them. The males when in full colour have the whole of the plumage scarlet or suffused with the same colour and thickly spotted with white—the intensity of the scarlet varies from a deep coppery red to rich scarlet, and some specimens are more or less splashed with black on the abdomen. The hens have brown-grey upper plumage, red upper tail coverts with the under plumage more or less pale yellowish-buff, and only a few spots, and they retain this plumage all the year round. Diet: Canary, white and Indian millet, millet sprays, greenfood, grit and water. They have been bred fairly frequently in roomy outdoor aviaries. I do not consider it right to keep them with Budgerigars or Lovebirds, as they have not a "fighting chance" if "scraping" occurs. Even though left alone for a time, sooner or later you would be picking them up with bitten wings, legs and feet, or otherwise maimed, not always the result of maliciousness, but more often from Budgerigar mischievousness.

AILING GREY (J.T.W.).—From your remarks I gather that present conditions have been going on for twelve months, and consequently have become more or less chronic, and before I can give you anything like a helpful reply you must answer me the following queries: (1) Full details of its dietary; (2) as near as you can tell, are the falls the result of weakness? (3) Are there any symptoms of fits? In the meantime, on three successive days put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water. Boil a little of the maize till soft, drain off all water and then allow half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion to soak into it—give this daily for the present. Keep cuttlebone and grit in the cage, also a piece of a thick branch with the bark on, fix it in one corner of the cage, securing it top and bottom, at a good slope-up, for the bird to climb about on. If it is tame, exercising outside the cage whenever convenient will greatly benefit it.

AFRICAN GREY PARROT (Perplexed).—I should advise putting this bird in another cage while the present one receives a thorough cleansing. Paint the cages inside and out with neat paraffin, thoroughly searching all crevices, then, after a few hours, well scald it out with boiling water then wash with cold water, and leave in the open, under cover, to dry. When dry it should be distempered inside and enamelled on the exterior according to taste. Give the bird one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia daily in the drinking water till the bowels have been well purged, after this has been achieved only give the magnesia once a week, and on the intermediate days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradacats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Wobblers." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

in the drinking water. Biscuits and dry crusts are quite wholesome, as are occasionally such tit-bits as pieces of maderia cake, sponge cake and any other plain cake available. Many Parrots are very fond of bread and jam, and such in moderation should do them no harm. The Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2d. post free from our manager, would help you greatly as to general management.

INDOOR CAGE (C.E.A.).—Whether you use the cage as a breeder or merely as a stock cage for a mixed series it would be well to make it a foot longer; this addition to be all wood, excepting on the side where it joins on to cage and in lieu of the wire netting put a screen of twiggly branches between the open cage and the added shelter, the birds passing through the twiggly branches to shelter. It would also be well to put some rebated strips at equal intervals along one side of the cage so that you could slide in a square of glass, entirely covering up one of the 3ft. sides; this would not obscure the birds, yet would prevent wind or draught

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

AERTILLERY C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Prince of Wales Hotel, 7.30. Important.—H. H. Mortimer.

ALFRETON C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Red Lion Hotel, 7. Fixing specials and other important business for annual show Oct. 31.—G. Beardall.

ARDWICK AND MANCHESTER C.B.A.—Sept. 15, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Important; committee's report.—J. Spencer.

BEDFORD AND BEDS. UNITED C.B.S.—Sept. 11, 26, Prebend Street, 8. Allotting specials for annual show Oct. 15, etc.—A. Simons.

BIRKENHEAD CANARY F.A.—Sept. 15, Ablett's Cafe, 8. Schedule for old show. Election of delegates for amalgamated Show.—G. Morton.

BONNYRIGG C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. Arrangements for show.—J. Sterling.

BRADFORD NATIONAL SHOW.—Sept. 16, Market Tavern, 8. To consider what to do about annual show.—S. Midgley.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.A.—Sept. 12, Shouder of Mutton, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. J. Thomas, Otley; friends cordially invited.—W. H. Kilburn.

CARDIFF C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Maskell's Hotel, 8. To decide if we shall hold open show.—E. Thomas.

CINN-MARKED Y.C.C.—Sept. 12, Market Tavern, Bradford, 7. To consider our petition in regard to our competition, as some societies who had our patronage have decided not to hold a show this year.—R. Garnett.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.—Sept. 14, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, W., 8.15 p.m. Discussion on "Feeding Canaries Economically," which Mr. G. E. Weston has promised to open.—V. Wynn.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.—Sept. 12, Flying Dutchman, 8. Special business regarding holding an open show. All please attend.—W. Helliwell.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Sept. 15, Clock House, Clapham Park Road, S.W., 8.30. Special meeting to arrange details of show.—T. J. Hose.

CLAY CROSS C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Angel Hotel, 8.—J. Griffiths.

COVENTRY O.S.—Sept. 16, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Open show schedule; to discuss whether we shall hold same.—A. Green.

DARLINGTON C.B.S.—Sept. 16, George Hotel, 7.30. Very important.—H. Todd.

DENTON C.B.S.—Sept. 14, headquarters, 8. Amalgamated show and other special business.—W. Hopwood.

DUBMIRE WORKMEN'S CLUB C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 7. Important.—G. T. Lynn.

EAST HAM F.A.—Sept. 17, Earl of Wakefield, 8. Final arrangements and schedule for young stock show.—W. Kite.

blowing through the cage. (1) Alter cage as above, do not put in more than three pairs, and hang up half a dozen rush nests. A pair each of Zebra and Bib Finches and Silverbills would be good birds to commence with. For variety you could add a pair of Avadavats, these are small and pretty, and if they did not attempt to breed would not interfere with the others. (2) Alter cage as above, put up as many rush nests as you can without blocking up cage too much, and put in not more than eighteen small birds, such as Gouldian, Bib, Zebra, Longtail Grass, Grey Singing and Alario Finches, Avadavats, Grey, Gold-breasted, Orange-cheek and St. Helena Waxbills, Silverbills, Bengalese and Bronze Mannikins. Do not use any straight perches, put in only twiggly branches. Recently a series (in six parts, I think), "Keeping and Breeding Seed-eaters in Cages," appeared in CAGE BIRDS. The Editor would send you the parts if you have not got them.

POST MORTEMES.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

EVAN T. EVANS.—The maw seed was a fair sample, and had no connection with the discoloration observed, which was the result of rapid changes in decomposition. The cause of death was congestion of the lungs following on debility and contributed to by the warm weather.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.—Sept. 15, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Financial report of F.F. show and other important business; classification for October show; unsold tickets and raffles for F.F. show to be in sec.'s hands meeting night.—J. C. Charlton.

GARSTON B.B.A.—Sept. 17, Club Room, 8.—A. T. Mullock.

GLOSSOP, HADFIELD C.B.S.—Sept. 15, Mr. W. Watson, King Street, Glossop, 8. Important.—E. Thompson.

LEIGH C.B.S.—Sept. 16, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Open discussion.—R. Charleson.

GREAT HORTON O.S.—Sept. 5, Butcher's Arms, 8. Special business.—J. Holroyd.

HALIFAX C.B.S.—Sept. 17, Trafalgar Inn, King's Cross, Halifax, 8. Open show business; important.—A. Sutcliffe.

HELTON-LE-HOLE C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Colliery Hotel, 7.30. Selection of judge for annual show.—Geo. Vipond.

Huddersfield O.S.—Sept. 14, White Hart Hotel, 8. Special meeting re holding open show; very important.—A. Lawford.

ILKESTON C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Castle Inn, Cotmanhey Road, 7. Very important. Discussion re open show.—G. Siddown.

LEICESTER HAND-IN-HAND C.B.S.—Sept. 15, White Swan, 8.30. Important show business.—A. Freestone.

LLANELLY C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Very important re matters of our next show.—D. John.

MANCHESTER NORTH C.B.S.—Sept. 15, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. November show business. Friends invited.—A. Colley.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.—Sept. 17, Kelvedon Hall, 8. Questions and answers.—H. F. Bowring.

MIDDLETON C.B.S.—Sept. 14, Old Boar's Head, 8. Show and general business; election of judge, etc.—J. Hulton.

NORTH LONDON C.B.A.—Sept. 16, headquarters, 8. Discussion on Mule-breeding.—P. W. Jeffries.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY C.B.S.—Sept. 12, headquarters, 7. Show business and other matters.—J. S. Jones.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.—Sept. 14, Guildhall, Wandsworth Road, 7.45. Very important.—G. Burton.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.—Sept. 12, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 7. Business important, including election of new sec., Mr. C. Davison having joined the Army.—G. F. Bates.

STANLEY (VICTORIA) F.F. AND C.B.S.—Sept. 13, Club Room, 6.30.—W. Elliott.

UPPER RHONDDA C.B.S.—Sept. 16, Cardiff Arms, Treorchy.—H. Watts.

WIGAN ROLLER C.S.—Sept. 12, Queen's Head Hotel, 7.30. Important.—P. Greenall.

WINDHILL C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, John Broadley. Entries Friday night, 8 to 11.—Taylor and Ellis.

YORK C.B.S.—Sept. 14, All Saints' Schoolroom, 8. Lecture on the Norwich Canary, by Mr. A. Humphreys.—V. G. F. Zimmerman.

G. DAKIN.—Ptomaine poisoning, due to the ingestion of poisonous products generated in the food; a common cause of trouble in the warm weather. Feed a little sparingly for a time, lessen quantity of egg food, and prepare same fresh at each feed. Give a saline aperient in the drinking water occasionally to prevent further loss.

JAS. CRAIG.—Septic fever, the serious import of which I suppose you will understand. You had better destroy remaining birds, for they are sure to die, thoroughly disinfect, and give up bird-keeping for at least three months until the infection dies out.

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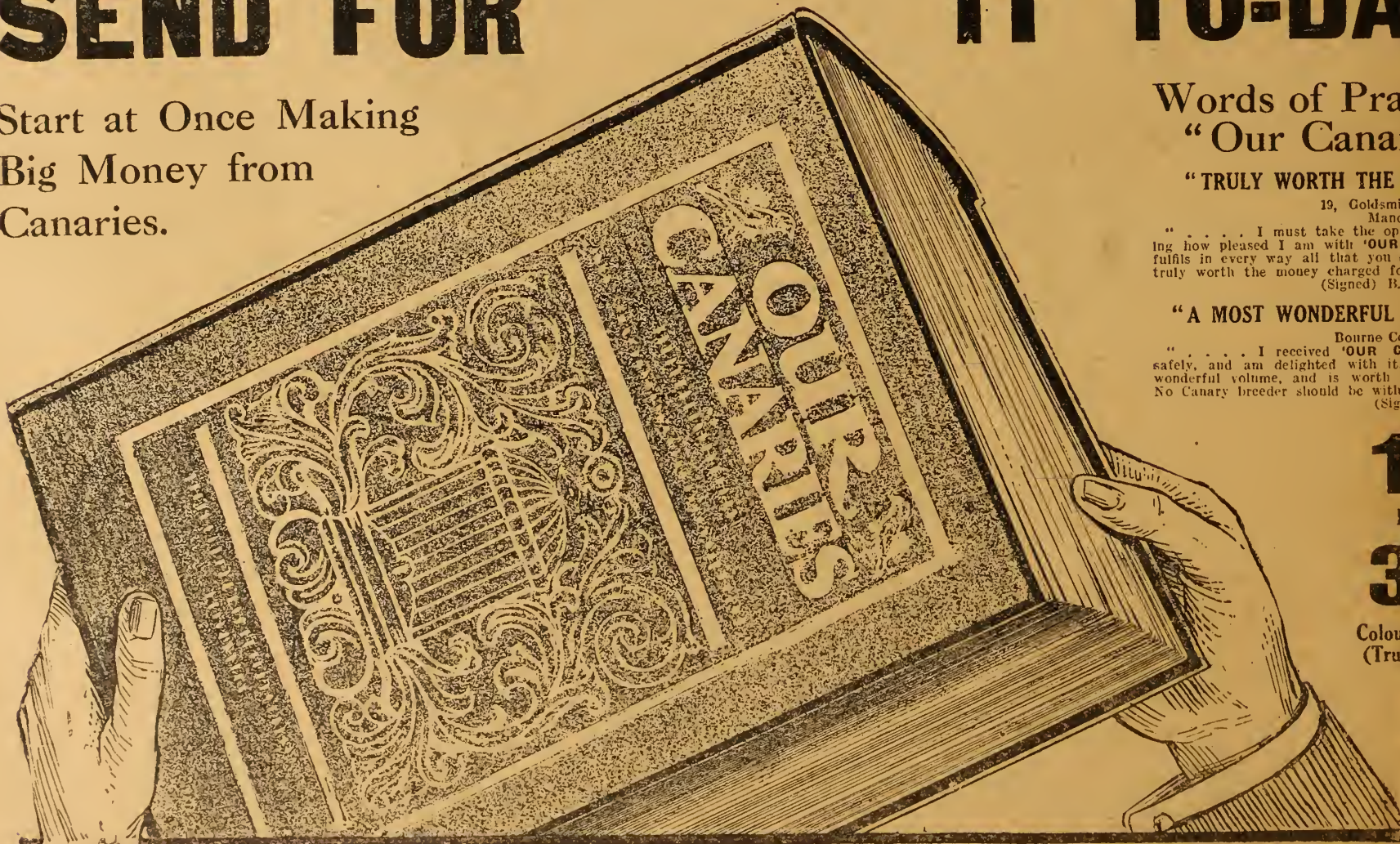
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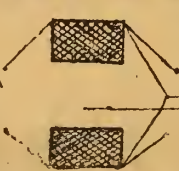
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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member R.C.C.C. Birds for sale. THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

ROLLER cocks, 3/9, 4/9, and 5/9; hens, 2/-; Ross, Canary Breeder, Forbes, N.B. (1776)

PURE Randall Rollers, cocks singing, 5/- each, real bargains, giving up: J. Hill, 51, Highfield place, Sheffield. (1775)

WARRANTED English-bred Roller cocks, on full rolling song, 5/- and 6/- each; Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1776)

MAWHOOD, breeder, exhibitor; Glucke Rollers, cocks from 7/6, hens 2/6, 1914 B.R.C.C. rung: 26, Walton Lane, Nelson, Lancs. (1765)

ROLLERS, young cocks, singing, 4/-, hens 1/6; cages, cheap; inspection invited: Bent, 97, Hamilton-st., Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1771)

NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers for day and gas light singing; prices reasonable; easy payments arranged: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1760)

DIVING to my husband called for the war, will sell 2 Roller cocks, 1914, 7/6 each; 2 hens, 1913, 3/6 each, Randall's strain: Mrs. Hudd, 5, Princess-st., St. Paul's, Bristol. (1774)

ROLLER Canaries, etc.; bargains; must sell six pure English-bred young Leipzig Roller cocks, commenced singing nicely; price 3/6 each; seven days approval on receipt of p.o.—Wesson, Ada-rd., Smethwick. (1772)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

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THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks, 6/6 lot: 23, Ceel-rd., Gorseholm, Swansea. (1777)

ONE pair good Yorkshires, sure winners, take 15/-; worth double: R. Hines, 15, Thomas-st., Burnley, Lancs. (1771)

THIS is a bargain; matched pairs at 8/6; satisfaction or cash returned: Olford, 14, Martha-st., Portsmouth. (1771)

TWO grand young Yorkshire cocks, good strain, on full song, sell 10/6: A. Blakenan Cheddleton, near Leek, Staffs. (1773)

YORKSHIRES, open rung, colour-fed, few grand cocks, 6/6 each, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1776)

GRAND Yorkshires for show, mounted and fed, some clikers, sell cheap; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1765)

NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires for show or song; prices reasonable; approval; easy payments arranged: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1760)

FINE Yorkshires, guaranteed cocks, from my winning strain: full song; 5/- each; hens, 3/-; feather like silk; cash or deposit with pleasure: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (1777)

MASTER called out; twelve Yorkshires for sale, 10/- pair, or exchange a pair for a pair of field glasses, will sell others: Mrs. Muggidge, Albion-terr., Horsham, Sussex. (1774)

SIXTEEN prize-bred Yorkshires for sale, old and young, all colour fed and through moulting, several have won in strong novice classes, 8 cocks, 8 hens, £4 the lot: C. Baker, 15, Marlow-rd., Anerley. (1775)

SELLING off, all my stock, including my winners, 13/6 Yorkshires, Cinnamon, and Green Marks, speciality, or exchange for 3-h.p. motor cycle: R. Rhodes, 33, Thorn-rd., Thornton Lodge, Huddersfield. (1771)

YORKSHIRES for show, chance for exhibitors, grand upstanding cocks, from 8/6; hens, 3/-; would accept reasonable offer for about 30 birds; disposing owing to illness: Apply, "Meriton Hall," Hartington-place, Brighton. (1773)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

I have now ready a grand selection of 1914 birds, over moult, and in grand form, grand colour-fed cocks, in full song, at 5/6, 6/6 upwards; grand racy hens, feather like silk, at 3/-, 3/6 upwards; pairs at 7/6, 8/6 upwards; birds for immediate exhibition from 12/6 to £4, cocks or hens, 7 days' approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1777)

Various Canaries.

CANARIES for sale, young birds, very cheap; apply: Arrow, Hillcrest, Guild-down, Guildford. (1771)

BARGAIN, large Crystal Palace aviary, containing 4 cocks, 5 hen Canaries, 27/6: H. Smith, 93, Portland-rd., Hove. (1773)

GIVING up, Canaries, 10 cocks, 14 hens, for sale, Yorks and Norwich, cheap: Wright, 14, Rosevale-st., Partick. (1776)

THREE young hen Canaries, two bred 1914, one 1913, 4/6 lot, guaranteed healthy: A. Davey, An-caster, near Grantham. (1773)

YORKSHIRE or Norwich cocks, full song, 5/- each, hens 2/- each; sent any distance: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1776)

SELLING out; guaranteed healthy Canaries, singer, two hens, double breeding cage, offers invited: Smith, 92, Fearnley-st., Armley, Leeds. (1777)

FIFTEEN young cocks, singing, hens, flights for sale; exchange pair good Yorkshires for good bred sharp small house dog: Kendrick, Coachman, Monument Hill, Weybridge. (1773)

ONE Norwich, two Crested, one Yorkshire, light muler, 1913 birds, 3/- each, or 10/- the four; or exchange to value gramophone records or show cages: J. Alderslade, 64, Desboro-rd., Eastleigh. (1774)

FROM Palace winning strain, young buff hen, 35/-; 1913 buff hen, 10/-; also a few others at lowest possible prices, all through moult and colour fed, ready for show: H. Radley, Dale-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1773)

TWENTY Yorkshire Canaries, 60/-; chattering Parrots, healthy, 17/6; Violet Tanagers, 14/- pair; Crown Oranges; pedigree Aberdeen pnp, 20/-; Mongoose, 18/- pair; ferrets, 3/-; Marsh Cat, 30/-; Snakes, Monkeys, cheap: Hayter, Importer, Southampton. (1773)

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The following high-class Canaries to clear through business pressure:—Four Yorkshire cocks, seven Yorkshire hens, all good type and colour, two Norwich cocks, four hens, show specimens; one Roller cock, full song; four good feeding hens; 24 breeding and hanging cages; offers wanted; approval anywhere, deposit; or exchange pullets: Hallett, Shrub-lauds, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1777)

RELIABLE

Norwich and Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/- up; cages, 3d.; beware of the low-priced mongrel hens offered as cocks. See how hens are being advertised for—and for what reason? Surely it is clear enough. I am now booking orders for exhibition Norwich Plainheads, Crests, Yorkshires, Lizards, Scotch Fancies: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich. (1776)

MULES—HYBRIDS.

COCK Goldfinch Mules, singing, moulted, 5/-; Thompson, 197, Bradford rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1774)

CATCHERS, 1914 cock Goldfinch Mules, variegated, 6/6; dark buff, 6/-; Goldfinch song, week's approval: Bryant, 4, Wilson-grove, Garston, Liverpool. (1773)

17 Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 12 variegated, 5 dark; offers, cash, lot; 9 Canaries, warranted cocks, 5/- each, fine clear birds: Rowley, Elston, Crediton, Devon. (1773)

TIME, trouble, and money saved! Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

BUDGERIGARS, green adult, 4/6, pair young 3/6, cock 2/-; Mansfield, Kibworth. (1770)

AMAZON Parrot, talking, 20/-; Australian Grey, 7/6; Indian, 5/-; 23, Ceel-rd., Gorseholm, Swansea.

NAPOLION Weaver, neat, perfect show condition, 7/6, 1st last year Bristol: Cuthbert, St. Augustines, Bristol. (1775)

BUDGERIGARS, 4/-; breeders, 5/- pair, finger tame; offers for 100 from outside aviary: F. Hill, Southwold. (1771)

PARROT, Indian rock peplur, talks, whistles, very tame, large cage, lot 30/-; Buttle, 13, Shafton-view, Holbeck, Leeds. (1775)

LARGE cage, 29 x 24, pair Budgerigars, pink of condition, breeding husk, lot 10/-; Watchmaker, Windmill-st., Beighton. (1774)

FINE healthy young Green Budgerigars, outdoor bred, 3/6 pair, cash or deposit: Green, Shelbrooke, Kibworth, Leicestershire. (1774)

BUDGERIGARS wanted, in exchange for 6 nice Yorkshire hens, good colour, seen any time: 169, Walton-st., Chelsea, S.W. (1774)

TALKING Blue-fronted Amazon Parrot, 6 years, 30/-; young Red and Grey Parrot, 20/-; exchange: Bird Stores, Eastwood, Notts. (1773)

PINK and Grey Parrot, tame, healthy, commencing to talk; 2 years acclimatised, 10/-, bargain: Coward, Bay, Gillingham, Dorset. (1771)

AMAZON Parrot, acclimatised, good plain talker, finger tame, bargain, 30/-; or exchange: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1776)

BUDGERIGARS, white Doves, 1/9 each, Ring Dove, 1/6; Australian Crested Pigeon, 9/-; outside aviary, overstocked: Walsh, Knaresborough. (1774)

HANDSOME young Indian Hill Parrot, beautiful plumage, commencing to talk, accept 7/-, a bargain: Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1776)

GRUINE pair Orange-breasted Senegal Parrots, thoroughly acclimatised, £3 the pair, a bargain: Hingworth, Naturalist, 4, Dean-st., 8, Shields. (1774)

GREEN Budgerigars, outdoor aviary bred, 5/- pair; yellow ditto, 7/6 pair; also grand hen Cockatiel, 8/-; Rutter, Manchester-rd., Lostock Gralam, Cheshire. (1772)

CUBAN Finch (rare), grand condition, 7/6; Masked Weaver, full colour, 4/-; Magpie, Mauritius cock, magnificent, 4/6; Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1776)

PARROT, Grey and Red, perfect plumage, talks, whistles, acclimatised, healthy, large metal cage, brass mounted, 21/-, bird and cage; weekly instalments accepted: 270, Great Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1776)

PEACHFACE Lovebirds, 40/- each; strong healthy young birds; one hen Redface Lovebird, 20/-; one Waxwing, 15/-; Hebb, Brooklea, Downs, Luton, Beds. (1775)

BUDGERIGARS, finest possible, outdoor, 5/- pair; selected breeding pairs, 6/-; yellow, 8/-; foreign birds from 2/- pair: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne.

OVERSTOCKED, fine Budgerigars, breeding, 4/6 pair; young, 3/6 pair; Canaries from 2/- each, all bred in garden aviaries; exchange, approval: John Flavell, Woodgate Post Office, Quinton, Birmingham. (1774)

THOSE who have bought or those who are about to buy a Grey Parrot, should get "Nutsell No. 17," it only costs 25d. post free, but the tips it gives are priceless; from: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents, a list of whom is published frequently).

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PAIR Red-sided Reclus Parrots, winners numerous prizes; two Red-headed Gouldian Finches, winners; pair Red-collared Lorikeets; also all my winning Mules, Hybrids, and Canaries; particulars: Muscott, Mount Pleasant Llandrindod Wells. (1777)

COCK Yellow-headed Marsh Bld, perfect show condition, 50/-; pair Zebra Finches, guaranteed uncondition, 6/-; R. Suggitt, Suggitt's Lane, Cleethorpes. (1777)

THOUGH they can often be purchased for the modest half-crown, Pekin Nightingales are very beautiful in plumage, have a fine song, and make ideal cage or aviary birds. Some very helpful information on this variety will be found in "Nutsell No. 19," the author of which is Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Get it at once. 25d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from our agents (list published frequently).

AFRICAN Grey Parrots, talkers, 90/-, 120/- each; Blue-fronted Amazon, 50/-; White-fronted Amazon, 50/-; cock Shama, grand songster, 45/-; Cockatiels, cocks or hens, 7/6 each; true pair Paradise Whydahs, full colour, 10/-; true pair White-breasted Noddies, 7/6; cock Grey Singing Finch, 4/6; hen Zebra Finch, 4/6; Javaz, Waxbills, Mannikins, Avadavats, all 3/6 pair; all acclimatised, and in show condition: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1777)

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Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk. 45/-; easy payments accepted. (1776)

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For keen fanciers to obtain first class birds at rock bottom prices; about 100 splendid specimens of British and foreign birds, thoroughly acclimatised and aviary bred for disposal owing to owner moving; stamp, full particulars: F. E. Cox, 15, Pretoria-rd., Thrale-rd., London, S.E.

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A perfect pair for disposal, £40; also immature male, showing colour, £20; one pair each of Dumont's Grackles, Crimson-fronted Lories (T. Reticulata) at £7 10/- pair; very fine tame Blue-headed Rock Thrush, £3 10/-; young Fairy Bluebird, £3 10/-; several pairs Purple and Amethyst-rumped Sunbirds at £2 10/- pair; one pair each Indian, Chinese, and African Zosterops, acclimatised, £5 lot; few pairs Chinese Painted Quail at 30/- pair: Frost, 13, Fairlawn-av., Chiswick, London.

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of all kinds on our four months' trial, signed talking warranty, also acclimatised Foreign birds from outdoor aviaries; holder thousand testimonials, bear names and address, many lovers of birds had birds from us by our instalment system well satisfied; fortnightly instalment accepted. (1776)

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OLIVER, 2, Bridport Place, Hoxton, will give 5/- a couple for good large young Yorkshires. (1729)

WANTED, all kinds of British birds and Canaries, best prices given: Baines, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1777)

WANTED any quantity of 1914 Canaries, also cock Grey-pates, state price: Hoyton, 47, Camberwell New-rd. (1773)

WANTED, good typical Norwich, must be healthy, state lowest price: Scott, 22, Harcourt Drive, Glasgow. (1777)

WANTED cock Mule, in song, Linnet or Greenlinch, no fancy price: Rhodes, 273, Stretford-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (1773)

EXCHANGE, good Crest and C.B., for gent's or boy's cycle, or offers; removing: Spriggs, 76, Grove-rd., Hitchin. (1774)

WANTED, Norwich Canaries, large colour-fed, for cash; also Borders; state price: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S. Glasgow. (1777)

WANTED, birds, dogs, monkeys, rats, rabbits, Parrots, etc.; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1776)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshires, in large or small quantities: state price; approval: Vance, 6, Stirling-st., City Glasgow. (1777)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets weekly: Thompson, Nottingham House, High-st., Skegness. (1775)

WANTED offers in Canaries, exchange lady's solid silver watch, practically new, value 25/-: Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1772)

WANTED, acclimatised African Grey Parrot, must be talking, cash, or exchange winning Yorkshires: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1777)

WANTED, Canaries, or offers; exchange gent's free-wheel cycle, sell 21/-; or cages, any description: Martin's Cage Works, Castle-Douglas. (1776)

WANTED, offers anything useful, several pairs muling Canaries and British birds, wanted good sewing machine: Woodruff, 19, Donald-st., Cardiff. (1775)

NOTICE—Wanted for spot cash, all kinds of Canaries, Mules, Foreign Birds: Apply at once to Hollis-head, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (1777)

WANTED hen Canaries, old or young, cheap for cash; state price and breed: Edward Bruce, Broughton Aviaries, Blackfriars-rd., Salford, Manchester. (1751)

WANTED, dealers, who can take large or small quantities of Linnets and all kinds of British weekly: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1775)

NORWICH wanted for cash, large or small quantities, must be big birds and colour fed; send full particulars and price to: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1775)

WANTED, a reliable catcher to supply me with Goldfinches, Bullfinches, and all kinds of British birds; state prices to: W. Hingworth, Naturalist, 4, Dean-st., S. Shields. (1774)

WILL give 6/- per pair for good Norwich or Yorkshires, colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, and Scotch Fancies; cheap: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1760)

WANTED, Yorkshire, Norwich, Borders, and common hens, Canaries, and Goldfinches, Mules: I buy any kind of birds; state lowest price: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, S.E. (1774)

DEALERS wanted to take birds through season, mixed Linnets, Yellowhammers, Greenfinches, Blackbirds, Thrushes, and any other varieties caught; prices offered to: Nash, Kirkby, Sleaford. (1777)

WANTED for export, any quantity, and variety of Canaries, good prices given, will deposit cash with Editor; send full particulars and stamp for reply: H. Gliddhill, Fleet-lane, Queensbury, Bradford. (1775)

WANTED to exchange Canaries, Norwich, Yorkshires, Rollers, Yockama pullets, Wyandotté Bantams, or pigeons, for camera, typewriter, duplicator, bird organ, or anything useful: Walkden, 8, Kichhall-lane, Leigh Lancs. (1773)

WANTED—BIRDS, RABBITS, DOGS

Monkeys, Parrots, purchase or exchange; established a century: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1775)

CANARIES WANTED

Wanted, any quantity Yorkshire and Norwich hens, 1/6 each; Goldfinch Mules, hens, 1/- each: Rutherford, High-rd., Leytonstone, Essex. (1774)

WANTED ANY QUANTITY

Norwich, Yorkshire, Borders, Canaries, hens, will give 18/- dozen for them, cash on delivery, or deposit with "Cage Birds": Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1775)

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1,000 Norwich and Yorkshires, hens, Canaries, will give 1/3 each; also hen Goldfinch Mules, 1/- each; prompt payment guaranteed; apply: Enock Power, Largest Importer and Exporter of British and Foreign Birds in Great Britain, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

Wanted! 40,000

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W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

SPECIAL notice to exhibitors, fanciers; I will exchange all kinds of British for show, mulling, con-test singing, for any variety of Canaries and Mules; approval both ways; state wants to Hollis-head, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (1769)

Mainly Canaries.

BORDER Fancies, 3 cocks, 4 hens, pair Grey Javaz, cock Goldfinch, 18/6 lot: Miss Webb, Millington-rd., Cambridge. (1773)

TWO high-class Border hens, green, buff, 3/6 each; exchange Blackcap, Thrush, Blackbird, Goldies, or offers: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W. (1777)

EXCHANGE good strong white bull-terrier dog, 12 months old, for any sort of Canaries, sell 20/-: W. White, Rumbly Hill, Crock. (1775)

PAIR Norwich Canaries, 8/6; exchange cock Linnet Mule, cock Bullfinch, or Goldfinches: Lee, 53, Waterloo Square, Camberwell, London. (1775)

ROLLER cock Canary, 5/-; Norwich cinnamon-marked hen, 4/-; exchange cock Goldfinches: Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lines. (1774)

TWENTY good Norwich hens for exhibition British, or best offer, good birds wanted and offered: Drowley, jun., 127, Maybury rd., Woking. (1774)

YOUNG pedigree fox terrier bitch, make winner, 25/-; also young wire dog puppy, £1; exchange Canaries: Hodges, Saffron-rd., High Wycombe. (1777)

NOTICE—Give good exchange in Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages for Canaries, any breed: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1760)

Mainly Foreign.

WANTED, good breeding Budgerigars in exchange for good pair of Yorkshires, or sell 12/-; or I have a few good breeding cages to dispose of; yours first: England, 7, Hulsh, Yeovil, Som. (1774)

TWO pairs high-class Jacobins (Reds) for Cockatiels, or Red-crested Cardinals, sell 20/- the pair; no rubbish offered or wanted; deposit Editor: D. Montgomery, 83, Park av., Sydenham, Belfast. (1775)

SALE or exchange, Ring Necked Parrakeet and new cage, sell 11/-; and Rosebreasted Cockatoo and cage, 21, and good talker: George Larnmonth, Phillips's Building, Flint Hill, Dipton, Co. Durham. (1771)

Miscellaneous.

PAIR tame Japanese mice and cage, 1/-; mice, 2/6 doz.; Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. WANTED Canaries, exchange gent's solid silver curb Albert, 4ozs., value 35/-; Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1772) EXCHANGE white ferret, well broken in, for young Goldfinch Males, pure wild note, or sell 7/6: Nash, Queen-st., Lydney. (1773) WHAT offers good Yorkshire terrier dog, 5 months, good house dog, quiet with children, suit lady: French, Holsworthly. (1774) SALE, 3 whippet terrier dog pups, 5/- each, 8 weeks; or exchange for pullets: Matthew, Clifton, Finedon, Northants. (1775) EXCHANGE, good Yorkshire hen, also good foster hen, for cock Goldfinch; sell 4/6: Bateman, 5, Chequer-st., Luton. (1776) EXCHANGE 6 young Norwich for Leghorns, 6 pullets and cock or Moorhens, or sell to value: Lewis, Brook-lane, Ormskirk. (1777) EXCHANGE hand-reared Snow Owl, three pairs blue hoppers, gun preferred, cock Linnets, 2/- doz.: Collishaw, Seacroft, Skegness. (1778) WANTED, offers in Canaries; exchange one pair Scotch wooden blankets, full size, value 25/-: Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1779) PIGEONS (good), pair featherlegs, one pure white fantail, for cock Goldfinches or cock Larks; Samuel, 10, Spring Gardens, Llanelli. (1780) WANTED, good air gun or camera; exchange Norwich Canaries or Pizany pointers: Wilkines, 22, Gladstone-rd., Ware, Herts. (1781) TWO hand-reared cock Blackbirds, 2/- each; pocket camera, 10/-; exchange 2 Norwich cocks: Bishop, 12, Pelham-rd., South Woodford. (1782) WANTED, clap-nets, exchange two leather headstalls, good collar, driving bridle and reins, brushes, etc.: Turner, Silver-st., Sway. (1783) EXCHANGE fawn greyhound dog pup, 6 months, for 2 Mules or British Finches: Royles, 3, Robin Hood-rd., Whincobank, Sheffield. (1784) EXCHANGE Graves double-sided records, slightly used, one record for three hen Goldfinches: Bryant, 4, Wilson-grove, Garston, Liverpool. (1785) TWO fine German cocks, singing, one hen and one Yorkshire hen; exchange for child's tricycle: Silkcock, Wellington-rd., Ashton u-Lyne. (1786) WANTED, 2 young exhibition Goldfinches, will exchange pair good field glasses, value 15/-: Greaves and Richards, 88, Richards-st., Mardy. (1787) WANTED, back cycle wheel complete, 25 x 1 1/2, also saddle; exchange two Norwich cocks, fed Midgley's and Vardy's strains: F. Cook, Pembridge. (1788) PAIR Renshaw inner tubes, as new, pair wired overs, size 25 x 1 1/2, exchange birds, anything: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop, Notts. (1789) 200 CYLINDER photograph records, new, unbreakable, 4/9 per dozen, useful exchange, offers (letters only): F. Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (1790) EXCHANGE high-class Yorks. or Norwich, winning strain, for scrap brass, copper, black tin: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. 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Twitterings.

Messrs. Forse and Son, secs. Leyton C.B.A., write that their show fixed for Nov. 13 will be for members only.

In the review of the schedule of the Bristol F.A., published last week, the date of the show was stated as Oct. 1. This should be Sept. 30 and Oct. 1, as in the advt.

I am pleased to say, writes Mr. W. J. Norman, hon. sec. Bristol East C.B.S., that Mr. Davis, of Bedminster, Bristol, is recovering from a very severe operation, and we hope to see him present with us again shortly.

Would secretaries who have written, or intend writing me lectures, etc., writes Mr. J. Steel, Dalkeith, please understand that my duties as Quartermaster of D.A.D. Red Cross and teacher to a large company in ambulance work are too manifold to permit of my undertaking any further engagements this season.

The dates of the four old bird shows of the Bradford East O.S., are Sept. 26; judge, Mr. S. Wilcock; Oct. 20, Mr. A. Cooper; Nov. 17, Mr. L. C. Casey; and Dec. 15, Mr. L. Dykes. At each show there are eight classes in champion section, and eight in novices, together with two selling classes.

OBITUARY.

Mr. Jas. Keir, Perth.

It is with deepest sympathy, writes Mr. J. L. Smith, that I have to announce the death of Mr. Jas. Keir, the late secretary of the City and County of Perth O.A., who passed away very suddenly on Sept. 8. He leaves a widow and family of seven. I offer, in the name of his brother fanciers, our sincere sympathy to his sorrowing wife and family. He was a well-known fancier and lover of Norwich Plainheads and British Birds, and at all times wrought hard for the society.

Mr. T. F. Cook, Bristol.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. Wm. J. Norman, Sec. Bristol East C.B.S., that I have to announce the death of our respected member, Thomas F. Cook, who died at his residence on Sept. 2, after a serious operation. He was a very keen fancier, his favourite being the Yorkshire Canary, and had won many prizes in the past eight years. A wife and two children who are left to mourn his loss have the sympathy of all the members of the Bristol East C.B.S., many of whom attended the funeral.

We have received information that the following societies have decided to abandon their annual show for this season:—Nottingham and Notts. P.S., Hartlepool's C.B.S., Barnstaple and N. Devon C.B.S., Cheltenham C.B.S., Leyton C.B.A., Rotherham C.B.S., West Bromwich C.B.S., City of Dundee C.B.S., Irvine C.B.S., Bo'ness F.A. The show of the Grantham C.B.S., fixed for Nov. 26, is postponed.

We have received the year book of the Yorkshire Union of C.B. Societies. This well got up annual contains the names and addresses of the officials of and delegates to the Union, portraits of the President, Mr. Wm. Cruise, and the Sec., Mr. H. Hill, the general rules, the show rules, list of societies affiliated to the Union, with names and addresses of their members and schedules of some of their shows, together with much other useful information. The secretary to the Union is Mr. Horatio Hill, 15, Settle Terrace, Thornton Lane, Little Horton, Bradford.

A Belated Cuckoo.

A Full-grown young Cuckoo has been seen flying about St. Fagans (near Cardiff) as late as August 29. This, it is said, is the latest date in the year a Cuckoo has been recorded to have been seen in this country. Afraid to go abroad, possibly, owing to the war!

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Fanciers in the Glasgow district should remember that the show of the Scotch Fancy National Derby O.A. is on to-day (Sept. 19), and assist the officials by visiting the hall (note advert. on this page).

The year book of the Southern Yorkshire C.C. is to hand. It contains a list of officers and committee, rules of the association, scale of points with description of desirable qualities, bye-laws, members' names and addresses, details of cups and other specials, and the balance sheet for 1913-14. The latter shows an income of £30 7s. 6d., and an expenditure of £29 9s. 1d. The cash in hand, which was £4 5s. 9d. in 1913, is now £5 4s. 2d., and the association has, besides, a challenge cup valued at £10 10s. The hon. sec is Mr. J. W. Rennie, Junction Hotel, Andover.

Grey Wagtail's Eggs in August.

A farmer in the Manchester district recently found a nest containing eggs of a Grey Wagtail on the thatch of a hay rick. As the stack was only thatched about the third week in July the birds had unaccountably built since that time. The eggs, however, were cold, and had been deserted.

Over 300 B.F.C.C. Members.

I have now completed the Border Fancy C.C. list for publication, writes Mr. Walter B. Smart, the sec., so I may say that there is a slight falling off in membership from last year, owing no doubt to the terrible crisis the country is passing through. Still, we have turned the 300 mark. I hope to be able to send out the lists to members by the end of next week.

Protests Against Cancelling Shows.

Cancelling shows on account of the war has not met with approval in very many quarters, unless the venue for the show is required for military purposes. Mr. W. Watmough, writing in "Pigeons," says many show committees have been hasty and unwise in the action they have taken, and thinks that those who have not cancelled their fixtures should run their events as usual, and reap the reward which will be theirs. Other correspondents in the same journal also offer protests against cancellations.

Now, Exhibitors, Rally Round.

It becomes the duty of all fanciers to support to the full extent of their powers whatever shows are now being held. Remember that they are being gone through with solely out of a desire on the part of the various executives to assist the cage bird Fancy to maintain a live, healthy condition. Evidence your appreciation, exhibitors, by entering all the birds you possibly can; do your best to ensure that deserving societies shall not be faced with a loss. At Bristol show (see advert. this week) entries are extended until Sept. 23rd. There is a good classification, two excellent judges, and all profits go to the Red Cross Society.

PARS FROM THE POST-BAG.

I quite agree with you in calling to arms all bird fanciers. I have a Goldfinch-Canary Male you can have as soon as it is through the moult. Nothing would please me more than to hear one of my pet birds singing if I was lying in a hospital wounded.

WM. GLADWIN.

Darlington.

I shall be very pleased to give one or two cock Norwich Canaries for the hospitals, as I think your scheme a good one, and hope it will get all the support it so rightly deserves. Birds are on colour feed and will be ready in a fortnight if required.

G. A. DOWELL.

Yeovil.

Congratulations on your noble scheme for supplying hospitals with singing birds. I am sure they will bring a ray of pleasure to those who are called upon to suffer in the Empire's cause. I shall be delighted to supply one of my singing Rollers at any time you call upon me for same, one of my own breeding, Randall's strain.

G. H. DONALD.

Ashton-u-Lyne.

Nothing could give me greater pleasure than to respond to your thoughtful appeal to supply a songster to help cheer the hearts of our unfortunate heroes. I think the scheme an admirable one, and worthy of a hearty response.

A. C. BROTHWOOD.

Newport, Salop.

In answer to your call, I am more than pleased to offer you one of my birds to help cheer and comfort our brave soldiers who have had to fight for our rights. I think it is only the duty of every fancier to do the same, and hope you will get a good response.

W. H. PHIPPS.

Isleworth.

I shall be pleased to send two singing Canaries in support of your effort to cheer our brave wounded soldiers in our hospitals. I think your idea splendid and worthy of every breeder's support. Birds will be ready in about three weeks.

J. H. GARRETT.

Stockport.

It is a very nice idea to give a singing bird to the hospitals, etc., and I shall be pleased to send a Green Crested Canary. It sings very prettily now, and being this year's bird will prove to be a good singer.

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Correspondence.

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SIR,—A friend having caught a bird of the above breed has sent it to me. If the loser will send the correct number on the ring he will have the bird restored to him.

WM. JEFFREY.

44, Dundee Street, Edinburgh.

A Slander Repudiated.

SIR,—Whoever issued the invention as to Mr. James Vealland being of German nationality must be either extremely spiteful or very ignorant; probably the individual is both one and the other! There is nothing about the name that has a German sound in it, and most certainly nothing in the owner of the name that savours of the Teuton in any way whatever. Anybody more distinctly English I never met, being moreover an Englishman of a quiet unassuming type, besides being absolutely honest and just in all his dealings. Those who know him will not be influenced by any mischief-making. Straightforward and well-mannered is James Vealland, of Binstead.

HUBERT DELAVAL ASTLEY,
Editor, Avicultural Mag.

Notes on the Fancy in New Zealand.

SIR,—The shows out in New Zealand, I think, are making headway. I have been out in New Zealand twice; have been two years there this time, and have come home for a trip, returning on September 25. My friends and myself have formed a cage bird association, and it is named after the bay on which I live, that is the Poverty Bay Caged Bird Association, Gisborne (300 miles from Auckland). Gisborne is a very nice place. We breed our Canaries out of doors and keep them out all the year round, so you will see it is a warm place. I may say our members are taking CAGE BIRDS to read, though it is not easy to get in New Zealand. I know that some, including Mr. F. Redfern, late of Huddersfield, send to your office direct for CAGE BIRDS. We pay 10s. a year for our membership. List of officers:—President, Mr. A. F. Gardner; vice-pres., Messrs. Jas. Johnstone (late of Glasgow), W. H. Lindley (of Yorkshire), and F. Redfern (late of Yorkshire); treas., Mr. L. T. Moore (of Australia);

committee, Messrs. A. Warren, G. H. Ansell (of London), D. Blackburn, J. Alexander, A. Fraser, and L. T. Moore. Auckland Show was held on July 24-25. Mr. Tom Brown, their Yorkshire judge, is late of Halifax, and Mr. C. R. Duncan, the Norwich judge, is of New Zealand. Mr. J. G. McFarland won the silver cup and gold medal for the North Island championship for Yorkshires, and Mr. C. Robinson in Norwich. Gisborne Show was held on July 18, judge Mr. W. Bailey (late of Birmingham). This is the first show that Gisborne has had.

W. H. LINDLEY.

Late of Wombwell, Nr. Barnsley.

Tips on Soldering.

SIR,—I should be very glad if any fancier would kindly furnish a few tips on soldering punch bar cage fronts and holding the wires in position.

STANLEY L. TETRIE.

Cages and Birds on Warships.

SIR,—One of the profitable pastimes of many a naval man is making bird cages, and in the naval seaports there is a ready sale for them. These cages are made of wicker. Birds are not allowed on war ships except when the ship is leaving a foreign station, when they may be carried. The rule is that no man may have more than one bird. If this rule were ever to be followed literally it is safe to say that this unwritten permission would be speedily withdrawn, for the number of birds would be too much for the easiest first "luff" (lieutenant) possible to put up with. But there is no danger of this happening. The men who make the cages purchase the birds, and, with the assistance of their pals arrange matters satisfactorily. A man has half a dozen cages. He hands the cages round, and six men each take over one.

In many foreign ports the smallest and meanest of cages are used for selling birds, and the sailor gets the birds at a slight reduction by not having the cages. Very great ingenuity is shown by the men in the cages they make; some are really works of art. Very many more cages would no doubt be made were it not for the difficulty of not having anywhere to keep them. The sailor is moderate in his demands, and is satisfied to accept 7s. 6d. or so for a cage

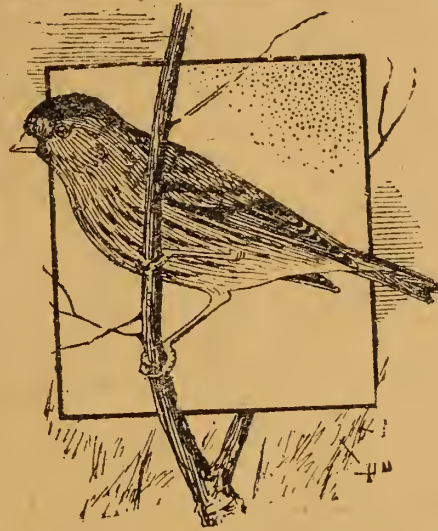
that has taken several days to make, and a bird that cost 3s. or 4s. Petty officers and, at times, officers purchase them to make presents, whilst residents in the ports are frequently glad to obtain them. The cages when occupied are sometimes kept covered over with a light cloth or handkerchief, whilst on board, to prevent the singing of the birds interfering with the sleep of the night duty men.

D. J. RICKARD.

The Passing of "Towd Mule."

SIR,—We, the members of the Leigh Linnet Club, have lost one of the best bird friends we ever had, in Mr. T. Statham's Linnet Mule, commonly called "Towd Mule." He would have been 14 years old next May, and he has been all over the North of England, both catching and singing, for friends of ours in Yorkshire, Westmorland, and Lancashire. I think that all our friends from the singing clubs will be sorry to hear that this bird is dead. I think it is not "self praise" (because Mr. Statham is a member of our club) when I say that he was one of the best birds in this country on quality song. Mr. Sissons, from Leeds, and Mr. Topping and Mr. Dobson, of Blackburn, will say the same. We (the Leigh Club) will send you a photo of "Towd Mule" singing in full vigour.

R. DISLEY, Sec.



A very typical Lesser Redpoll, which took third prize at the Horticultural Hall Show for Mr. J. W. Ford, of Swansea. The bird has won many prizes.

The London and Provincial O.S. Autumn Show.

SIR,—I should like to mention that the entrance fee will be 1s. per entry, and that all entrance fees, without any deduction for expenses whatever, will be paid out as prize money. As our country members will be unable to show, owing to railway difficulties, our cups cannot be offered for competition, nor can special prizes be given from the funds of the Society. But donations towards the special prize fund will be gratefully accepted and acknowledged by me.

The sole object of this show is to try and help the Fancy and trade generally, therefore I trust the London fanciers will support us and by so doing help to minimise the loss which must naturally occur under the circumstances. The name of half and full particulars will appear in your next issue.

C. W. LAW, Hon. Sec.

Paying Prize Money Promptly.

SIR,—Now that the show season is near at hand may I suggest, for the benefit of the Fancy in general, something that in our society has occurred to us as very simple, and yet far reaching. The idea came to me last year, and arose out of the way in which we pay our money on the sliding scale at the evening shows; no sooner are the cards on the cages than we have it reckoned up how much each exhibitor has won. Last year, while secretary of the Ornithological Society, I paid one man his money before four o'clock, he having satisfied me that he was the winner; he had motored down from Luton to the show. The rest was paid out to the members at eight o'clock the same evening, leaving me with only one exhibitor to post money on to, and he had his next day. What relief I found afterwards! No running round to catch members in, and worrying whether everybody was satisfied. I hardly knew we had had a show, except when I met a member as pleased as could be at the idea of not having had to wait for his money, as is the case with a great many shows. It hits this way, too. We'll say a man has little cash to spare, and is certain he can win. If he has to lay out his money on entrance fees, and cannot expect it back again for some weeks, it dampens his ardour. Whereas if he gets it back in the same week he will fill every cage he has. I have recently heard of a man whose exhibit was claimed for £2, and who didn't receive his money for some months, and had to buy another in the meantime. This is scandalous and with a working man too.

ARTHUR SIMONS.

Hon. Sec. Bedford and Beds. United C.B.S.

A Turn in the Tide.

GOOD NEWS FOR EXHIBITORS FROM MANY QUARTERS.

Societies that Refuse to be Dismayed.

Forfar Gives Scotch Exhibitors a Chance.

SIR,—Kindly let the readers of CAGE BIRDS know that our Forfar Show is going to be held on October 31st, the same as usual, and being about the first show in Scotland this year we hope to have a good entry from fanciers.

D. KERR & J. ROBERTSON, SECS.

15, Green Street, Forfar.

Oxford Will NOT Cancel.

SIR,—The Oxford and District C.B.S. have decided NOT to cancel their open show. It will therefore take place as previously arranged on Thursday, October 22nd. It was decided to issue a number of tickets, half the proceeds of which are to be handed over to the local Relief Fund. As this will mean a loss to the society it is hoped fanciers will rally round us with entries, and so help to make the show a success.

A. F. FIFIELD.

Press Correspondent Oxford C.B.S.

Halifax Decides to Hold Its Open Show.

SIR,—The Halifax C.B.S. has decided to hold its open show, under Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Rules, on October 3rd, as arranged. I have no doubt that you will have some correspondence from Mr. H. Hill (the Union Secretary) re prize money and paying same. Full prize money will be paid in all classes with 15 or more entries; five entries and under 15 will be paid on the sliding scale. No money specials will be given, but sectional specials in goods will be given throughout the show. We

ask for the support of the Fancy. Our show room will be very comfortable, and any fancier sending exhibits can rest assured that they will have every attention at the hands of capable fanciers so as to ensure them a safe return. Schedules are now ready, and will be sent on application to me.

A. SUTCLIFFE, SEC.

46, Hammond Street, Hopwood Lane, Halifax.

Abertillery Will Hold On.

SIR,—At the meeting of the Abertillery C.B.S. held September 12th, at the Prince of Wales's Hotel, Mr. Probert presiding, a discussion took place whether we should run our open show or not; and it was decided to hold the show on our old date, October 21st. Mr. Newell was selected as show manager, Mr. Cooper as judging steward, and Mr. Terrett and Mr. Russell as chief stewards. Will members please turn up at our next meeting, to-day, Saturday, September 19th, to make final arrangements.

H. H. MORTIMER, HON. SEC.

Rosendale's Good News for Roller Fanciers.

SIR,—At the monthly meeting of the Rosendale Roller Canary Club held September 1st, the society decided to hold their annual Roller Contest on November 20 and 21, 1914. So as to give ample time for judging and full credit to every exhibit we have decided to have three judges, namely: Mr. J. B. Hesling (Wakefield), Mr. J. Tomlinson (Newcastle), and Mr. G. Wareing (Bury). We hope that Roller fanciers will give us a hearty response.

Will secretaries kindly note our dates and save clashing.

H. WANTLING, SEC.

32, Corporation Street, Bacup.

Keeping the Flag Flying.

SIR,—At the Bradford East O.S. meeting, held September 1, it was decided that we go on with our open show, as previously arranged on October 10. Will fanciers please keep this date in mind, and help as much as possible, as we shall need all the support we can get to make it a splendid show, and keep the flag flying.

WM. CRUISE, HON. SEC.

The Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A. Sets a Grand Example.

SIR,—May I trespass upon your valuable space to announce the fact that the seventh annual show of the above association, fixed for November 7th, at Llandudno, WILL take place as arranged. I hope to have the schedules ready in about a week, and shall be glad to send a copy to North Wales Fanciers, if they will kindly apply. My committee met to consider whether it was advisable to cancel the fixture in consequence of the war, but unanimously decided to proceed with the arrangements of the show, as they considered it the duty of all fanciers to carry on.

G. E. CRAGG, SEC.

Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.

Brechin's Enterprise Deserves Its Reward.

SIR,—At a meeting of Brechin C.B.S. held September 9th it was unanimously agreed to go on with the annual show as usual, and it was also decided not to ask for subscriptions this year in view of the many calls on every class in consequence of the war. This means that unless fanciers rally round us with their entries we shall be faced with a considerable financial obligation. If others would take a leaf out of the Brechin fanciers' book there would be fewer cries of poor entries, for it is a well-known fact that at any show in Scotland Brechin fanciers' birds are well represented. We are sorry to have to state, however, that many fanciers do not sup-

port Brechin show in the way it deserves, but we trust that this year will prove an exception, and that Brechin members will be rewarded with a bumper entry for their enterprise.

J. CRABB, SEC.

Wallsend's Members' Show Unanimously Decided Upon.

SIR,—At the meeting held in the Station Hotel on September 9th, with Mr. Heslop in the chair, before a grand attendance, the most important item on the agenda was our annual show, November 7. It was decided unanimously to hold the show; so please, members, pull together and let us have a grand show. Anyone wishing to join our society can do so by sending name to me, or by coming to our meeting on October 14. Subs. must be paid a month before show to enable members to compete at same; subs. are now due.

GEORGE GREENWELL, SEC.

A Chance for Bedfordshire Bird Lovers.

SIR,—You will be glad to know that we are not cancelling our show on October 15. We are giving all our gate and ticket money to the Prince of Wales's National Distress Fund (the local Mayor's list). The Mayor has kindly consented to present the prize money and specials at 8 o'clock the same evening (October 15th). Owing to Bedford being made a base for Territorials and the lincs being often taken up by the military, it was not thought advisable to hold an open show to all England for this season, but to make an extension of our local classes, and open them to Bedfordshire. Our motto is "Business as Usual."

ARTHUR SIMONS,

(Hon. Sec. Bedford and Beds. United C.B.S.)

90, Coventry Road, Bedford.

Correspondence continued on next page.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from Overleaf).

Yorkshire Fanciers Have the Best of it at Southampton.

Sir,—The majority of the members of the Southampton C.B.S. have no cause to grumble at their luck during the 1914 breeding season, as the following results show:—

W. L. PAGE, Hon. Sec.

How Did Birds Originate?

Sir,—I see in CAGE BIRDS the question is still asked: How did Birds Originate? I spent some time in looking up the Scriptures, but it was time wasted; I gave you many passages of Scripture, both of birds, beasts, creeping things and man, but it was time thrown away.

J. I. HARGREAVES.

[We are sorry that our correspondent should apparently think that other readers of CAGE BIRDS have not a sufficient acquaintance with the Bible to be familiar with the account of Creation given therein. We ourselves thought it unnecessary to print columns of extracts therefrom; further, we considered that any discussion as to whether the Bible account of the Creation was final or otherwise to be outside the scope of our journal.—EDITOR.]

Sir,—Readers who have been interested in this correspondence and would like to learn what the evolution theory really is, might read a book (quite small and easy to understand) called "Evidences of Organic Evolution," by Romanes. It is probably in many Free Libraries. Anyone who reads it carefully will, I think, feel that the theory is practically proved. If there is any small, sensible book that tries to prove that there

was a separate creation of each species I should be glad to know the name of it, as I should like to see any arguments in its favour. Perhaps Messrs. Johnson, Craig and Co. will tell us? Would they at the same time say if they believe that the different varieties of Canaries were separately created or have they been evolved from one kind?

(Rev.) H. A. SOAMES.

Sir,—In answer to the Rev. H. A. Soames, the late Rev. Dr. Talmage, of America, says: "I place the Bible account of how the brute creation was started opposite to the evolutionist's account. You know the Bible tells how the birds were made at one time, and the cattle made at another time, and the fish made at another time, and that each brought forth after its kind. A species never develops into anything but its own species. In all the ages and in all the world there has never been an exception to it." I agree with the above, which confirms Mr. J. I. Hargreaves's interpretation of the Bible account of the creation.

Mr. R. Maxwell Savage says: "The evolution of the bird from the reptile is obvious to anyone who knows anything of the subject. Mr. Wells demonstrates this beyond doubt." If it is to be the resemblance of one species to another that is to be decisive, let Mr. Savage try to produce a Carrion Crow from a pair of Rooks. If he can manage that it will favour his argument. Mr. Savage's account of the origin of man is quite different from that of the Bible, which is the highest authority on the subject. Dr. J. Bell Pettigrew, Chandos professor of anatomy and medicine at St. Andrew's University, is of the belief that man need not claim kinship with the ape. In his new work "Design and Nature," which was issued about six years ago, Dr. Pettigrew, in dealing with the "Origin and Career of Man," says:—

"If the authority and teaching of the Old Testament, and the possession by man of an extraordinary nervous system and brain be set aside, the preponderance of evidence, many are inclined to believe, is in favour of a lowly origin—that is, a savage or semi-savage origin. I am not of this way of thinking. There is, it appears to me, no proof that man is directly descended from the ape, and indirectly from the mollusc or the monad. The unchanged condition of physical man for the last nine, or more, thousand years is wholly opposed to such a conclusion."

"The brain of man in volume, complexity, and quality," continues Dr. Pettigrew, "transcends that of every other living form,

THE DANGER OF CANCELLED SHOWS.

A Well-known Exhibitor Suggests a Method of Avoiding It.

Sir,—I have been very much struck the last few weeks at the number of open fixtures that have been abandoned for this season on account of the present crisis. This is very much to be regretted, as I feel sure in my own mind that the Fancy will suffer, and not only at the present moment, but after the war is over, inasmuch as many fanciers will drop out of our ranks, especially the novices, by having so few opportunities to exhibit their pets. Personally, I believe that so far as the railway companies are concerned, the worst is over as regards the traffic, which means that we shall be able to trust our exhibits in the hands of the railway companies with little more than the ordinary amount of risk.

There are some important towns which no doubt will be handicapped by irregular railway service for some little time, and to which places it would be risky to send exhibits from a distance; and no doubt some of these places will also experience great difficulty in finding suitable rooms in which to hold shows. Under those conditions an open show would doubtless be out of the question. But to my way of thinking we can keep the ball a-rolling by organising district, or confined shows, that is several adjoining counties, as for instance Staffordshire, Cheshire, Shropshire, Warwickshire, and Derbyshire. I don't see why a good show or even more than one could not be run with success, confined to exhibitors resident in these counties (of course the same idea applies to other groups of counties throughout the country). There are many good Cage Bird Societies in these five counties

with a fairly strong membership, likewise there are many exhibitors who belong to no society, and exhibiting members of societies that do not join hands with the others; are they to run no risk? I fancy I can hear this question being asked. My answer to this is, levy each exhibitor who does not belong to any of the societies which have combined to run the show, to the extent of say twopenny or threepenny (or something like that) for each class that he enters in—not so much on each entry that he makes in any one class, because if that were done I fancy in some cases an exhibitor might only make one entry in a class on account of having to pay extra for each entry, whereas if the levy was for each class he would enter more, when after his first entry he could enter as many more in that class as he choose at the usual fee.

I would suggest that any profits made on the show go to one of the many deserving war funds, such as the Red Cross Society, the Prince of Wales's Fund, etc.; let this fact be well known and advertised in the district where the show is held, and I have no doubt that there would result a nice little subscription towards the worthy object, and no necessity to fall back on the guarantee of the societies that are running the show.

I don't see why at least two good shows could not be held by those counties I have mentioned. They are all in close proximity and well served with railways. As Staffordshire is the most central of these five counties, is it not possible for one show to be held say at Stoke, which is in the midst of many fanciers, and another say at Wolverhampton or Birmingham? Any of these towns are within easy distance of all the above-mentioned counties. Well, there you are, brother fanciers, I have given you a few broad ideas which you may take for what they are worth, but which, I think, are quite workable. It would, at any rate, be better than having to keep our exhibits at home, and gaze moodily at them behind closed doors, because there are but few shows.

HOW DID BIRDS ORIGINATE—Continued.

and establishes an impossible gulf between him and the apes, and everything below the apes."

Another distinguished scientist has recently stated that "the latest discoveries in geology contradict Darwinian evolution, and show that the most ancient man whose remains have been discovered in the records of geology was not descended from the ape, but if there be any relationship between the ape and man it is entirely of the opposite kind, and the former is an offshoot of some lower type of humanity rather than the progenitor." According to the above Mr. Savage is wrong and Mr. Hargreaves is right.

Beith. JOHN CRAIG.

(Several letters on this topic held over.)

ARTHUR C. BROTHERHOOD.

A FEW FACTS ON CRESTS AND CREST BREEDING.

A lecture given before the London C.B.A. on September 8th. By ARTHUR J. WATCHAM.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies, and Gentlemen, I don't know what possessed our president to ask me to give a paper on the Crest; still less do I know whatever possessed me to accept the task of doing so. However, having given my promise I have endeavoured to put together a few facts as I have met them in the course of my somewhat extended breeding of the bird in question. It is quite likely that some of the views I here express may not quite coincide with the experience of yourselves, in which case I crave your indulgence and would ask you to please let me down as lightly as possible.

The Crest, as you obviously all know, is a conceived variety of the Canary—that is to say, it has been evolved from the ordinary little green bird we know as the original wild Canary, the same as the Norwich and various other kinds have been, but I think you will grant that the variety has necessitated a great deal more study and selection in its producing than other varieties, more especially when you consider the formation of the head feather of the Crest.

It is possible—in fact, probable, that the first Crest was nothing less than a sport, and in itself was without doubt something of a shocker, but it evidently occurred to someone that here was material for a new variety, and I would ask you just to consider for a moment the amount of persistent plodding that has been required to bring the Crest to the perfection in which we see it to-day.

I use the word perfection only in a figurative sense, as many of you would contend that perfection has not been reached,

and for argument sake we will say that you adopt the beautiful drawings of an "ideal" Crest which we have sometimes had presented to us, then I say you are right in your contention, and I will further say that I am glad of it, for we are thereby left with the necessity of still devoting our energies and gaining further pleasure in our hobby in the endeavour to produce such perfection. I would like to suggest that once a perfect ideal is produced with any certain frequency, the hobby will die a natural death, or if you like, from senile decay.

The Price of Crests.

Speaking of the value of the crests, the exalted prices sometimes asked for them are frequently quoted as a deterrent to their being more generally taken up by fanciers. Well now, if one requires a really first-class Crest or Crest-bred one must be prepared to pay the price. But then, isn't it better for the novice or the beginner to purchase a pair or two at a reasonable price from a known breeder and endeavour to breed his own exhibition specimens? How much more pleasure will he derive when he takes honours with a bird of his own breeding than with one he has purchased. I feel somewhat convinced that the time is near at hand when all birds competing for club cups or specials will have to wear a ring, and be bred by the exhibitor. Then the gentleman who, loving a good Crest, cannot resist buying it (and it will be an ill day for the fancy when this gentleman ceases to exist) must be content with taking the 1st prize and the specials other than those offered by the club.

Touching the clear body Dark Crest and the even wing-marked Dark Crest, it would appear to me that if the breeder devotes sufficient attention to constantly producing these, the Crest itself must as a natural consequence suffer in some way or other; I do not think so much in formation as in length of feather. My own personal experience convinced me of this when I used to think the clear body Darks, or the wing-marked, to be the only ideal birds, and consequently devoted the majority of my pairs to produce these. I found the Crests began to diminish in size and the birds generally to get a little smaller.

I suggest this as being the reason:—We will say you breed a pretty little Dark Crest, clear bodied, hen that greatly strikes your fancy. You pair this to a Dark-cap Crest marked [this description is as given in the typed copy sent.—Editor] cock, which has been bred from an even-marked Dark Crest. You could be pretty sure what the progeny from this pair would be; but have you not in the meantime forgotten that the pair of birds lacked size, if even to only a small extent? And it is more than likely others from the same parents as these were much larger, but being green or variegated birds you have been willing to dispose of them in preference to your even-marked birds.

The Effect of the Ancestry.

I may mention that I still succeed in breeding a certain number of them, not from any set purpose, but simply because my strain of birds is likely to produce them; but, for fear you may consider I am contradicting myself, please let me repeat I do not pair with this object. Perhaps it may be that young of this class are more generally produced than a few years since, and I think we have to look to the grey or grizzle Crest for the reason. When I come to run my birds over in my mind I can trace the greys for some years back.

In breeding the Crest, as with other varieties, you will agree that it is not sufficient to use only selection or pedigree, or both; they must be used in conjunction

with brains. That is to say, it does not suffice only to pair a young hen from someone's famous Crest hen to a two-year-old cock bred from another fancier's winning cock, and imagine the trick is done and that fame is won. I think you would be more likely to meet with disappointment than success, not that I wish to be understood to convey that it is not possible to so breed a show bird, but I do think you will more likely have to control your impatience and await the results of your future pairings, hence my contention of "brains."

Just here I should like to be forgiven for saying that as a body I think we fanciers are a little prone to consider our own views and opinions to be the only right ones—we forget that each meets with different experiences and is apt to place different construction on the same point.

The Advantages of Yellow Blood.

Now let us just pass a word on yellow Crests and the advantages to be gained from the use of them—apart from treating them as a sub-variety. First and foremost we obtain a great improvement in quality of feather from their occasional use, that is to say they are invaluable for refining the feather of birds that have become coarse from continual double-buffing. Further than this, if your birds are lacking in vein—that essential feature which we all so much admire, the judicious introduction of the yellow will greatly aid you in your object. Unless you are desirous of breeding yellows as part of your stud, it is not advisable to use them oftener than every third season. The principal reason for this lies in the fact of the feather of the yellow being of much more silky texture than the buff, consequently its continual use would perhaps detract from the width of the webbing of your buffs and apparently cause your birds to lose a little in size. But I myself think by the gain you attain in the other direction you are more than compensated for the loss of this feature.

(To be continued.)

HAVE YOUR PROMISED A CANARY YET?

Club Reports.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Sept. 12, Headquarters. Decided not to hold a Table Show until later as moult seems later this year owing to the weather. Our Chairman, Mr. A. H. C. Legg, kindly promised to give an exhibition and lecture on British birds at next meeting, Sept. 26, at headquarters; and Mr. Challenger will give a lecture on Yorkshire Canaries a fortnight later. Members should try to attend, as I am sure we shall all be able to learn a hint or two; we shall welcome visitors. Our brother fancier, Mr. S. Stone, has joined the Army, but we hope he will be with us again in the very near future.—J. S. Jones, Sec.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

Meeting headquarters, Sept. 14, Mr. Norman presiding over a fair attendance. It is a pity members who only live a short distance from the hall will not attend the meetings and do their share of the work instead of leaving it to those who live at a great distance, and who always attend, often at great inconvenience. Local members please see what you can do in future. It was proposed that during Mr. F. W. Bartou's absence the secretarial work be carried on by Mr. G. Burton, who agreed to do his best. In the matter of the patronage shows, it is greatly to be regretted that almost all of the societies we gave our patronage to have had to cancel their shows. Members went fully into the matter, aided by letters from several of the provincial committee, and it was ultimately decided to withdraw the cups and other point specials from competition this year, and, providing we can get four societies (two London and two provincial) to accept our patronage and give us a fair classification, to offer, as an inducement to members to show, cash specials and spoons for each show. If secretaries of societies wishing to avail themselves of our patronage will write me at 126, Lee Road, Lee

Green, S.E., I will give them any further particulars they may require. Redhill C.B.S. are showing the way, and are offering us a full classification, which we hope to avail ourselves of. Another meeting will be held as soon as possible, and members are requested to watch the "Club Notices" column for the date, and turn up in force.—Geo. Burton, Sec. (pro. tem.).

EAST HAM C.B.S.

Washing exhibition and prize distribution Town Hall, East Ham, on Sept. 10; there was a good muster. It was unanimously decided to hold our annual show as usual during alterations to the map of Europe. The prize-money, etc., for young stock show were then handed out by the chairman, Mr. G. Perry. Two birds were then washed by Mr. Perry and Mr. C. R. Evans, giving the novice members a good idea of washing birds for exhibition; afterwards, Mr. A. W. Farmer gave his opinion of the process with a few timely hints and advice. The members present heartily agreed to have messages sent by the secretary to absent members who are serving with the King's forces. A vote of thanks to the chairman concluded the business.—F. Onslow, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.

General meeting headquarters, Sept. 10, Mr. G. Munday presiding over a very large meeting. Letter read from the South Metropolitan F.A. respecting the invitation classes they are putting on at their evening shows. Several members expressed their willingness to send exhibits, and sec. was instructed to write to that effect. The members present unanimously endorsed the committee's decision to run the annual show, and many specials were promised. Various suggestions were made, and sec. was instructed to cut down any unnecessary expense, and to act in any way he thought beneficial to the club. Committee meeting headquarters Sept. 24, at 8, to draw up the schedule. Will members of the committee note this, as it will be the only intimation, and do please attend.—G. Burton, Hon. Sec.

YORKSHIRE UNION "OUT FOR BUSINESS."

Council Desires all Fixtures to be Held, and Formulates a Working Scheme.

The Council of the Yorkshire Union met on Sept. 12 at the Market Tavern, Bradford, Mr. Wm. Cruise (president) presiding over a capital attendance of delegates, every society but two being represented. A letter from Mr. H. H. Towers re fanciers helping the War Fund was allowed to stand over, as was the Shipley Society's notification to abandon its open show. In respect to a defaulting member reported by the latter society, it was left in the Union secretary's hands to make the necessary enquiries whether he had given verbal information to the late secretary as to his intention to resign.

The main item on the agenda was the likelihood of the Union programme of open shows being interfered with owing to the war interfering with trade and railway facilities. It was discussed which was the best scheme to adopt in order that this most trying ordeal may be safely negotiated. The council was out for business, and a scheme was not long forthcoming which to all appearances seems to cover, to some extent, the responsibility which the societies felt in holding their open shows.

The scheme is that of paying prize-money on the sliding scale for classes whose entries range from 5 to 14, inclusive. These are the classes which cast a heavy burden on the responsible officials and run away with a good amount of the balance which should certainly accrue between the total prize-money and the amount received in entry fees if shows are to be a success. This is the only feasible scheme which could lessen the financial responsibility and enable societies to run their shows with the possibility of a heavy loss reduced to the minimum. The council gave this scheme great consideration, and passed a unanimous resolution that all 1914-15 Union shows should adopt the above method of paying out prize-money. All classes with 15 entries or more shall have the usual prize-money, namely, 10s. 1st, 6s. 2nd, 4s. 3rd, 2s. 4th.

The council feel compelled to adopt this system in order to encourage societies to go

forward with their open shows and thus allow all the Union and Yorkshire specialist clubs competitions to go on as usual. Exhibitors will kindly bear in mind that every Union show will pay the same scale of prize-money. The entry fees in all cases will stand as already announced in the printed schedules. In some cases where societies have a reduced entry fee for their members, the basis of prize-money will be paid on the 1s. 6d. entry fee only. The council adopted the principle of deducting 1d. per 1s. from entry fees, towards working expenses, in classes from 5 to 14 entries inclusive. All societies are thus assured that they cannot have a deficit from the entries received to the total prize-money paid out. The usual number of money prizes will be given in every class, namely, 4. A resolution was also carried that no specials be given, and that those already promised should be acquired by the members of the society holding the show, or otherwise be put towards the society's funds.

As the majority of societies have published their schedules in the Union Handbook, I wish to draw the attention of all intending exhibitors that whatever prize-money is announced to be paid at the respective Union shows, is all cancelled in favour of the scheme as passed by the council.

Only one society up to the present has signified its intention of abandoning its show, namely, Shipley, and the council expressed the hope that owing to the proposed scheme they would reconsider the question. The Union shows as arranged are as follows:—

Judges.	
Oct. 3	Halifax, W. Stables
" 10	Bradford East W. A. Cowgill
" 17	Skelmanthorpe F. Allen
" 24	Shipley O.S. (might reconsider abandonment)..... W. Mundell
" 31	City of Bradford R. Halliday
Nov. 14	Tong H. W. Battye
" 21	Manningham and Bradford West P. Mason & H. Sutcliffe
Dec. 12	Huddersfield J. Robson
Jan. 2	Windhill, Shipley O.S. H. J. Chittenden
" 9	Great Horton A. Hirst

It is the council's express wish that societies will run their fixtures as already arranged, and I trust that members and exhibitors alike will do their utmost to give the shows every possible support in their power, as they are without doubt the life and soul of the Fancy to which we are all proud to belong. The Union Handbooks were distributed to the respective societies at this meeting, and all members desiring one immediately should apply to the secretary of the society to which they belong.

H. HILL, Secretary Y.U.

ORMSKIRK C.B.S.

Meeting King's Arms Hotel, Sept. 7, Mr. E. A. Walker presiding over a poor attendance. The chief business was the election of Secretary, and on the proposition of Mr. R. Hunter, it was decided that Mr. T. Johnson, junr., be Secretary for the remainder of the year. All members please attend next meeting to decide whether to hold annual show.—T. Johnson, junr., Hon. Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting Sept. 10, Mr. Havenhand presiding. Decided to postpone our annual show business until next meeting, when I hope all members will attend. Mr. Perry was elected to judge the Table Show on that date, Oct. 8, and I trust members will see to it that we have a good show. As we had a paper prepared by Mr. Hemming, which we had left over, we had this read, and a very interesting paper it proved. How Mr. Hemming had contrived to get so much sound information in his paper I hardly know. A very hearty vote of thanks to him concluded the meeting.—E. Johnson, Sec.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, Sept. 11, Mr. Furness chair, and a very good number present. Table Shows to be held on the October and November meeting nights were suspended, but we are anticipating two good meetings. We are suspending the Table Shows, because it was unanimously decided to have our 'annual Members' Show on the date fixed, viz., Nov. 28. Any profit on the show will be handed over to the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund. We want our members to concentrate all their efforts and make it a big success. The object is one we can all work for, and we hope to hand over a good sum. Classification as in the syllabus. Prize money, 4s., 2s., 1s., for 6d. entry. The Society's cups, seven in number, will be up for competition, in addition to numerous other specials. In the gift class we want at least a score, these to be sold to help the Fund. Tickets will be ready for October meeting. Will all members kindly do their best to sell them?—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

NATIONAL GREEN-MARKED Y.C.C.

Meeting Sept. 12, Market Tavern, Bradford. Mr. W. A. Cowgill (president) in the chair. Owing to three of our patronage shows being cancelled Secretary was instructed to try and get some of the Y.U. shows which have not applied for the patronage to do so, and to this end the following resolution was passed: "That the club's patronage be given to any other Union Show that will put on the necessary four green-marked classes irrespective of whether the said show pays full prize-money or prize-money on the sliding scale. As it is in the best interests of the Fancy generally that the shows and the competitions of the Yorkshire Specialist Clubs should go on, it is to be hoped that we shall at an early date receive applications for patronage, and thus be enabled to hold our various competitions, and at the same time help the shows with our entries. Members please note that the first two Union shows, viz., Halifax and Dis., on Oct. 3, and Bradford East on Oct. 10 are both patronage shows.—J. Chambers, Hon. Sec.

HULL C.B.S.

Meeting, Oddfellows' Hall, Charlotte St., Sept. 7, Mr. D. D. Longhorn, chair. Decided to leave the matter of the open show over until the October meeting, when we should have a better attendance. The Chairman then called upon Mr. Chapman to give us his lecture on the feeding and rearing of birds in aviaries and cages, in conjunction with birds in the economy of nature, their usefulness, birds usually kept, and observations of bird life in the fields. Mr. Chapman, who has been a keen naturalist and ornithologist for 35 years, dealt with the matter at great length; he had with him a very large assortment of wild seeds, about 200 varieties, and fully explained all the best seeds, etc., for feeding and rearing British birds and Hybrids from the nest, also the habits of British birds in the fields. He also showed us the different utensils he had for collecting the larvae of insects in summer and winter, and the most likely places of finding same. He also explained the value of aphides (black and green), ants' cocoons, and the way to gather them. After this followed scores of questions from the members, Mr. Chapman answering, and fully explaining them in a very able manner, thus bringing to a close one of the finest lectures our society has ever had. A vote of thanks to Mr. Chapman was carried with acclamation.—J. L. Heseltine, Hon. Sec.

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NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting Sept. 2. Mr. W. P. Snaith chair. Mr. Espie's motion re counting of points for judges left over until annual meeting. Mr. Espie will give us a lecture next meeting.—M. C. Potts.

CITY OF DUNDEE C.B.S.

Meeting, Doig's Rooms, Sept. 2, Mr. A. R. Towns presiding. Agreed to cancel the open show owing to the state of the country, but to hold Club Show if a suitable hall can be got, the Gymnasium being converted into a hospital for the Red Cross Society.—Andrew Law, Hon. Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting, Sept. 12, Messrs. Geo. F. Bates and A. Dawson were elected Secretary and Chairman respectively. Messrs. J. Stanger and J. Robinson were elected members. We are having an open Linnet class with 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. prize money for 1s. entry fee. Schedules from Geo. F. Bates, 7, Rose Avenue, South Moor, Stanley, Co. Durham.

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CHESTER-LE-STREET, BIRTLEY, AND PELTON FELL (Amal.).

Meeting and table show, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, Aug. 26. Mr. J. Stanger judged.

LINNET or TWITE: 1, 3, hc, Wilford; 2, vhc, Davison. REDPOLL or SISKIN: 1, 2, 3, Wilford; vhc, Davison. BUNTING: 1, 2, Davison. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Davison; 3, Wilford. Next meeting at Birtley at 6 p.m.; table show; classes: Nor. Buff, Yorks. Nell, Crests, A.O.V. Can.—R. Ward, Sec. Chester-le-Street C.B.S.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Sept. 5, at Lockhart's, Briggate, with a full attendance. Unanimously decided to abandon our annual show on Nov. 13-14; it was the general opinion that under the circumstances we had no other option. This is very disappointing, as we were looking forward to a record show. We had engaged the best room in Leeds for the purpose, and also some of the most capable judges in the Roller Fancy, who we hope will oblige at some future date.—H. Best, Sec.

LONDON C.B.A.

General meeting held at the El Vino, president Mr. R. L. Crisp in the chair. Mr. J. Houghton was elected a member. Several important matters were placed before the meeting in connection with the proposed annual show. Mr. Arthur J. Watcham gave a most interesting lecture on Crests; Messrs. Shepherd, Crisp, Dowhurst, Wallington, Sayer, and J. Rohson ably assisted in the discussion which followed. A vote of thanks to the lecturer for the valued services rendered to the association by his lecture was unanimously carried. Mr. Watcham suitably replied.—F. Knight, Press Correspondent.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

General meeting Sept. 7th. Decided to cancel our open show, as the hall engaged was required by the Government, and Southampton is a town which will be hit very hard through the war. It was decided to send one guinea to the Mayor of Southampton for the War Relief Fund started by him. A members' show will be held upon the same date (Dec. 2nd) as the open show was to have been held, and seven members offered special prizes for same, and the Society will give a special prize for the best bird in the show. Prize money upon the sliding scale, and 29 classes will be provided. At our last members' show we had 150 entries (not bad for a society just formed) and I hope we shall be able to eclipse that total. The cancelling of open shows is bound to affect the Fancy, but I think if societies who cancel their shows hold a members' show on a large scale in place of the open show it will help to keep societies together. The interest must be kept up, and there will then be no reason to talk of societies disbanding.—W. L. Page, Hon. Sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

LEEDS.

Quality Linnet singing contest Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-road, Sept. 13. 16 birds sang for three prizes. 1, Johnson; 2, Sissons; 3, shared by Stead and Richardson. Judges, Hardcastle, Jennings, and Naylor.—Walter Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing contest held Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe; 19 birds competed. 1, 2, shared by Ward and Hayes; 3, Laycock. Judges, C. Clayton and Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

HALIFAX C.B.S.—Liberal Club, Haugh Shaw Road, King Cross, Halifax, Oct. 3; judge, W. Stables. 24 classes: 12 Champion Yorks. (4 Green mkd.), 2 Sell., 8 Nov. Yorks., 2 Nov. Nor. Under Yorks Union rules. Prizes:—5 to 14 entries on sliding scale; over 14, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Sept. 29 to A. Sutcliffe, 46, Hammond Street, Hopwood Lane.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SITS ON FLOOR (Mrs. Hamilton).—Examine the bird's eyes closely to see if they are normal; also the claws are not excessively overgrown. If nothing seems wrong in these respects the bird is doubtless run down with the moult, and the following treatment for a month should set matters right. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day give a spray of watercress and a morsel of banana, and on the alternate days give a morsel of stale bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of the seed mixture you are now using. In the drinking water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea every second day for a week, and after this give 20 drops of chemical food two days in every three for a fortnight or three weeks. Keep bird in a bright, healthy place, but do not expose it to cold draughts nor the fumes of burning lights in the evenings.

DIFFICULT BREATHING (W. Black).—It is possible that the bird may have caught cold on the journey, but it is not unlikely that its condition is simply due to some temporary effect of the moult. Treat as follows for a month or so. Keep in a moderately warm place, and do not expose to cold draughts or fumes of burning lights in the evenings, and allow it to bathe about every other day. Give as staple diet a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle and maw, and either a morsel of banana or a spray of watercress, and on the alternate days give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar, and a half ripe plantain stalk. In the drinking water add as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice daily for three days, and after this give 20 drops of chemical food every second day for a month. The sawdust has nothing to do with the trouble, but you should see that the bird is supplied with grit in a small vessel for digestive purposes.

LOST HIS SONG (E. P. H.).—The moult is probably overtaxing the bird a little. See that it is free from cold direct draughts, sudden extremes of temperature, and do not hang it in a window, nor high up near the ceiling. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of summer rape, and a morsel of banana or a spray of some green salad, and on the intervening days give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut sprinkled with maw seed, and half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, teazle, and broken groats. Continue this feeding for a month, allow the bird to bathe freely, keep its cage strewn with clean, gritty sand, and add 20 drops of chemical food to its drinking water every second day for a fortnight or so. See if the claws are much overgrown, and, if so, trim them back to a proper length, but do not otherwise interfere with the legs or feet.

SWELLING ON NECK (Anxious F.).—Without more definite information as to the nature and appearance of the swelling it is difficult to advise you. The swelling may be simply an air-sac, in which case carefully puncturing it with a clean needle would cause it to disappear, or it may be an abscess which could only be properly treated by incision and evacuation, which should only be performed by a skilled hand. Try painting the swelling with a feather dipped in tincture of iodine three times, with an interval of three days between each time, and meanwhile add to the water every second day as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice. If this does not cause the swelling to be absorbed it will do no harm to carefully prick it and press out any contents that come away readily, and then wash clean and anoint the spot with boracic ointment for a day or two. Place the food inside the cage for the time being.

A DEFORMED FOOT (Stanley).—If the toes appear rigid in the bent position my advice is to leave them severely alone. As only

one foot is affected the bird will get along very well, and will not be very seriously hampered, unless, of course, in competition, if a show specimen, by the deformity, and after this lapse of time any interference is only likely to result in inflicting unnecessary pain. If the toes seem to be fairly supple you may try the effect of putting in the cage a thin and nearly round perch, about the size of a lead pencil, for a few weeks. Beyond this I do not advise you to go.

WAGS HER TONGUE (T. H.).—I do not think there is really much the matter, but you do not give sufficient particulars to help much. You appear doubtful about the swelling about the throat and head, and I think this may be simply due to the plumage being somewhat puffy. Keep in a fairly warm position until the moult is over, and do not expose to cold draughts or extreme fluctuations of heat and cold. Continue to give a staple of plain canary seed, but give only half a teaspoonful of the seed mixture every second day. Also omit the linseed altogether, and substitute an equal quantity of teazle. Give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with maw seed three times a week, and a spray of watercress every second day. In the water add 12 drops of syrup of buckthorn for two days, and after this give instead five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a week or fortnight as may seem necessary.

GET THIN AND DIE (Cymro).—If you continue to lose birds you would be well advised to take an early opportunity to have a post-mortem on the body of one of them, as there is a likelihood of the deaths being due to some bacillary disease. You ought also to have mentioned the composition of your colour food and the strength in which you are using it, as this may possibly be a contributing cause. Treat as follows for a fortnight and if the birds are not considerably better, write again, and give the fullest particulars. Keep cages, perches, and all seed and water vessels

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as clean as possible, and strew cage floors with clean, gritty sand. Continue the staple diet of plain canary seed, and in addition give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts millet, niger, rape, teazle, and broken groats. On the alternate days give a pinch of maw seed and a morsel of banana or spray of watercress. Allow a small teaspoonful of soft food with the colour food per bird daily. Limit the diet strictly to this, and allow the birds to bathe freely. In the water add six drops of syrup of rhubarb and a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea for three days, and after this add to the water instead a crystal of sulphate of soda as above, ditto of sulphate of iron half as big, and six drops of dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

BORDER HEN RUFFLED UP (Idwal).—I do not think there is anything seriously wrong with the hen except that she seems to have a little difficulty in breaking away into moult. Keep her fairly warm for a while, but do not overheat her, and feed her the same as advised to "Cymro" in this issue, but give the soft food every second day only, and sprinkle it with maw seed each time. In the drinking water give five drops each of syrup of saffron and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a week. Glad to hear that the former advice was so successful.

OUTDOOR BIRDROOM (J. H. N.).—You mention nothing about the structure of the building, of what material it is built, nor whether it is of single or double walls, and these points considerably affect the susceptibility or otherwise to climatic changes. The area of glass in the front would also make it very susceptible to excessive fluctuations, and if the other parts of the structure are properly built, this alone is doubtless the cause of the variability. It is not good policy, however, to turn the front towards the north when you have the advantage of a southern aspect. A much better plan is to cover the major portion of the glass in front with "summer cloud," the same as greenhouses are sometimes treated in the summer to break the force of the sun's rays. Later on, when the weather is likely to become severe, you could make movable shutters of wood, or felt on wood frames, to put up over at least two-thirds of the glass in the front, which would still leave you plenty of light, and prevent ex-

cessive cold owing to radiation. This is the course I advise you to adopt instead of altering the aspect to a northern one.

VARIOUS (E. M. T.).—(1) If your Lizards are Silvers now they will be Silvers after the moult. Neither the moult nor any amount of colour food will turn a Silver into a Gold. It is not a very material question whether you use a Gold cock and a Silver hen in pairing the birds for breeding, or vice versa. Either mating produces both Golds and Silvers, but other things being equal the former way will give a slightly larger proportion of Golds. Mate rich Gold cocks with your young Silver hens next season. (2) Cannot say whether your colour food is too hot, as you omit to say how it is made. But you will get no advantage by giving it extra strong because you began to give it rather late. The colour of the droppings simply shows that the bird does not absorb all the colour you give, so that the extra strength is being practically wasted. Reduce it to normal strength now, and you will find the bird colour just as well. Add a pinch of Epsom salts to the water for two days, and afterwards 20 drops of chemical food for three or four days. (3) Glad to know the Yorks. and Lizard pair have benefited by previous advice. Give the old hen a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, lightly sprinkled with flowers of sulphur, and then sprinkled with soft sugar, every third day for a month; the day following add as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence to the drinking water; and the next day give five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre. (4) Certainly, the wild seeds you gather must be dried before you shut them up in a tin, otherwise they will become musty, and unfit for use at all. Either dry the ripe heads as you gather them in the sun, or hang them up in paper bags until quite dry, when you can separate the seeds and store them altogether in tins, or cardboard or wood boxes. Give a small teaspoonful per bird two or three times a week, but if the supply is unlimited you may give it much more freely.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SEX OF LINNET-CANARY (Stanley).—It is difficult to assist you in sexing your Linnet-Canary. If you had several you might manage to pick out the cock birds by selecting the boldest and richest coloured, but as you have only a single specimen you cannot do better than keep him until he is clean moulted, when, if a male, he will soon sing lustily. The fact of your bird commencing to warble now is a hopeful sign; if he is the right sex his song will increase in volume daily, especially if you feed him fairly well. (2) Make the following mixture for stock: Canary three parts, rape and teazle one part each, and give a spoonful of mixed seeds twice a week; or you can procure a packet of Finch mixture put up by some reliable firm; use this twice weekly. A little crushed hemp occasionally will assist in getting him into song, but do not overdo it, as hemp is very stimulating.

BLACK REDSTART AND OTHERS (Softbill).—If you look after your Blackstart properly, you should have no difficulty in keeping him through the winter. Your having several Softbills makes me think you have had some experience, which, of course, would be helpful. The food you mention is quite good, and for insect life you will have to rely upon mealworms, but you should not neglect any opportunity that may occur to secure other live food. In addition make free use of fruit, ripe pears, and grapes, as long as you can get them, after that bananas will be useful. He would do very well in an unheated room in the house. (2) The same food would do for the Goldcrest, but the mealworms should be small, or should be cut up for him. A little extra preserved yolk of egg would not be out of place during the coldest weather. He is so tiny that he feels the changes of temperature, and should have a large cage so that he is able to take plenty of exercise. He could be kept under the same conditions as the Blackstart, but should be covered over on cold nights with a woollen shawl or rug, and during the long nights it would be a good plan to put a light in the bird-room for an hour just before retiring, to allow him to feed. He is fond of bathing and should be allowed to do so all the year round, care being taken that he goes to roost quite dry. (3) The staple food for your Coal Tit would be the same as the others; this could be mixed with a little boiled potato or scraped carrot. He should also have a piece of suet suspended to the wires of his cage, and a few sunflower or hemp seeds; a nut now and then will be beneficial, and keep him amused, so will a meat bone that has not been scraped too clean. (4) I would not advise you to place all these birds in your aviary together; leave out the Tit, none of the

family can be trusted with weak or miling birds, and you cannot be certain of all the others keeping quite fit.

GREENFINCH WITH GROWTH ON BEAK (Groenie).—The growth on the beak, or rather at the base of it, requires a little surgical operation, and if you can manage to get a medical man or clever chemist to remove it for you, it will be the best thing; but, failing this, try painting it with iodoine. Do it carefully with a small camel-hair paint brush, just covering the spot and not putting any elsewhere. Mix as much Glauber Salts as will cover a sixpence in his drinking water for one day, and give him a good allowance of greenstuff and wild food. He should commence to sing as soon as he is through the moult; many do so before they have quite finished.

VARIOUS QUESTIONS (Anxious Novice).—Your bird is suffering from aethna, and requires very careful treatment. A most important point is his feeding; he should be kept in good condition, but not fat. I would advise you to omit the linseed and hemp. Continue the supply of fruit and green-food, see that all seeds are thoroughly free from dust; in fact, to secure this it would be as

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

well to rub them in a slightly damp cloth to thoroughly clean them. About three times a week offer a cube of bread soaked in hot milk, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it. Keep him in a large cage in an airy room free from draughts, and away from any vapours from either the fire or gas. To relieve the breathing give five drops each of paregoric, syrup of squills, and glycerine in his drinking water, only using this occasionally when the symptoms are especially pronounced. (2) Your hybrid may not be troubled with red mite, but he may have grey lice; these live on the bird and eat away the feathers, particularly round the neck. If you find any, give him a good dusting of insect powder and roll him up in a cloth for ten minutes before returning him to his cage. Repeat in three days. Make an infusion of quassia chips and put a few drops in his bathing water. If no signs of insects, give him a cooling aperient, a teaspoonful of citrate of magnesia in three tablespoonfuls of water, for two or three days in succession. If he has not yet finished his moult the neck feathers will quickly grow again. (3) Your young Goldfinch-Canary is no doubt a lightly marked one, probably a hen. It may be worth keeping for another year if it is bred from good-sized parents, as all hybrids make up a lot between the first and second moults.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING CAIQUE (N. S. A.).—The seed mixture should contain a large bulk of canary seed, in fact it would be well to make the following: One quart canary seed and one pint each white millet and Parrot mixture; well mix and keep a tin in the cage, even while supplying soft food. Continue the soft food as directed, also the cod-liver-oil emulsion. The mixture you ask for is laudanum, spirit of camphor, tincture of capsicum, essence of peppermint, and tincture of rhubarb; get your chemist to put a pennyworth each of the above in a bottle, well shake so as to thoroughly mix, and put five drops of this mixture in the drinking-water daily till the trouble disappears. Keep this bird in a well ventilated part of the room, yet away from all wind or draught. You must continue to give the soft food till you notice it eating heartily of the seed mixture again. Continue the C.L.O. emulsion on the sponge cake till the bird has recovered condition. When you cease giving the mixture in the drinking-water, put the bird on a course of syrup of phosphates for two or three weeks, half a teaspoonful in the drinking-water about four times a week will be sufficient. Shall be pleased to hear how the bird progresses.

BLUE-FRONTED AMAZON (A. P.).—You must persevere with the insect powder, and also give the bird a wash with tepid quassia solution once or twice weekly. Personally I seldom have to use an insecticide, but when need arises I dust under the wings and any parts where the parasites congregate, with Keating's insect powder. This bird will do with a little toning up. Five drops daily of

cod-liver oil emulsion soaked into a little sponge-cake, or anything else similar that the bird will take. Put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water daily, except one day per week, when in lieu of the phosphates give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the water. Both bird and cage must be rid of the parasites, or they pass from one to the other. Fir tree oil, an horticultural requisite, makes a good insecticide for washing out cages, etc.; directions on bottle.

INFLAMED EYE (S. Potter).—Give half a tea-spoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water daily till the bowels have been well cleared; then only give this once a week, and half a-teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates on the other days till the bird is properly toned up again. Bathe the eye with a rose water and zinc eye solution daily till the inflammation yields. Keep strictly out of draught, yet in some well ventilated position. Diet the bird on canary and white millet and green-food—grit and cuttle-bone, of course.

GREY PARROT (A Bird Lover).—You had better send to our manager for Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," 2jd. post free; this will give you full details as to diet and tell you what to avoid. The only thing I can suggest as to stopping it biting its tail feathers is to have a light metal (zinc) punchinello sort of collar made to fit the bird's neck—the collar can be made in two halves and wired together, then the bird cannot get it off; but you must have the collar so made that it will not chafe the neck; your local plumber should be able to make one for you. Provide the bird with a thick branch, with the bark on, one that will stretch from bottom to top of cage; fix it in a fairly steep slope upwards. Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking-water, so long as the droppings are not watery loose. Twice a week put half a-teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the water. Do not give any kind of animal food whatever, and all tea, coffee, or milk sops should be strictly taboo.

AILING GREY PARROT (A. J. Coe).—Dissolve five grains of bromide of potassium in a little syrup and give this quantity in

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

the drinking-water once a week (only give very little more water than the bird will consume in the day, and if any is left let the bird have its morning drink before changing it). Every fourth day give one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia, so long as the voidings are not watery loose. Boiled maize should not be necessary, but do not stop this too suddenly; of course you supply only what it will consume in the one day, and the potassium mixture could be soaked into the maize after all the water it was boiled in has been drained away. If there is any evidence of an attack coming on, give a dose of the potassium at once. Treat as above, and report progress a few months hence. You would do well to get our Grey Parrot Nutshell, 2jd. post free, from our manager, and carefully read this as to management, but in changing the items of a bird's dietary, such change should be a gradual one. I should confine the nuts to peanuts (monkey nuts), Barcelona nuts and walnuts, the two latter would be better supplied already shelled.

PENNANTS' AND BUDGERIGARS (Psittacus).—(1) Young Pennants are mostly green, but there is some red in their plumage, the quantity being variable in respective broods. (2) I do not quite gather the purport of this query, but the nestling plumage of the sexes, so far as my observation goes, is similar. (3) Pennants are not what may be called free breeders as a whole, though many aviculturists have bred them, but once a good breeding pair is acquired they are fairly prolific. Pennants' are rather intolerant of the presence of other Platycerci in the same aviary. (4) It is difficult to assign a reason, but I know several who complain of poor results this season, and again others who have had good results. If the "dozen or so other birds" are not interfering with the Budgies, I should be inclined to change some of the stock.

AILING PARROT (C. Hainsworth).—You must keep up the treatment in the hope that the bird will ultimately give up this vice, for it is more of a vice than a disease. Spray it once or twice a week with a tepid quassia solution. Get a piece of a thick branch with the bark on, and set this up on end; it should reach from bottom to top of cage and have a pretty steep incline upwards. Renew it as often as the bird cuts it to pieces. If it is

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EASTLEIGH C.B.S.—Sept. 21, headquarters, 8. Very important business.—J. Alderslade.

FALKIRK GOOD INTENT C.B.A.—Sept. 26, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.30. Very important.—Walter Clarkson.

G.E. RAILWAY F.A.—Sept. 22, Mechanics' Institute, Stratford, 5. Third young stock show open at 5. Members earnestly requested to make all possible entries. Admission 3d.—W. G. Rogers.

LANCASHIRE AND LIZARD F.A.—Sept. 19, Newmarket Hotel, Shudehill, Manchester, 6.30. Important.—J. Rukin.

sufficiently tame, liberty outside its cage for a portion of the day will help to keep down ennui. Apart from the above I cannot add to the directions previously given. Such cases are not quickly cured, and call for much perseverance and persistence; you must not be discouraged by occasional lapses, but begin the treatment again when such occur.

HEN PARROT (A. R. P.).—Your bird is Roseate (Rose-breasted) Cockatoo. I should put a little *riar's* Balsam on the wound, and, if you can, hold the bird till it has dried in, but you must look out for its beak, as the balsam will sting a little when first applied; the balsam will soon check the bleeding, and it should soon heal if the bird does not open the wound again. Lightly anointing with zinc ointment might relieve the soreness after the balsam has dried in. If you treat and jilt the bird as advised in the Nutshell it will meet the case perfectly, but you can with advantage add a small quantity of maize to the mixture. Every fourth day for a month, put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking-water, and after that only give it once a week. It will be well to well cleanse the wound with tepid water before applying the balsam. It is no use applying a bandage as the bird would tear this off at once. In the end you'll prevail, but a scratched or bitten wound lingers long.

AFRICAN GREY (B. G.).—You must induce the bird to eat or sheer weakness will do the rest, and you will speedily lose it; at least, I am much afraid that is what will occur now. As you have only had it five weeks you will not be able to handle it, so anything you give must be in the water and on the food. Keep the seed in the cage and tempt it with biscuit, crusts of bread, and plain cake or sponge cake. On either of the above give 8 drops of cod liver oil twice daily. Continue to offer fruit at intervals; it will acquire the taste yet. Keep cuttlebone in the cage continually. By means of a small stick put a little honey and borax on its tongue twice daily. While the bird is so weak give it a little milk-sop daily till the weakness passes. Prepare the milk sop so: Take half a tea-cupful of boiling water, stir in three drops of brandy, one teaspoonful of condensed milk, and quarter tea-spoonful of cod liver oil. Add sufficient biscuit and sponge cake, in pieces about size of hazel nut, to partially absorb the milk. Give this so long as the bird remains thin and weak, but as soon as it begins to pick up and eat the seed heartily, then gradually discontinue the sop. Keep the bird warm, yet

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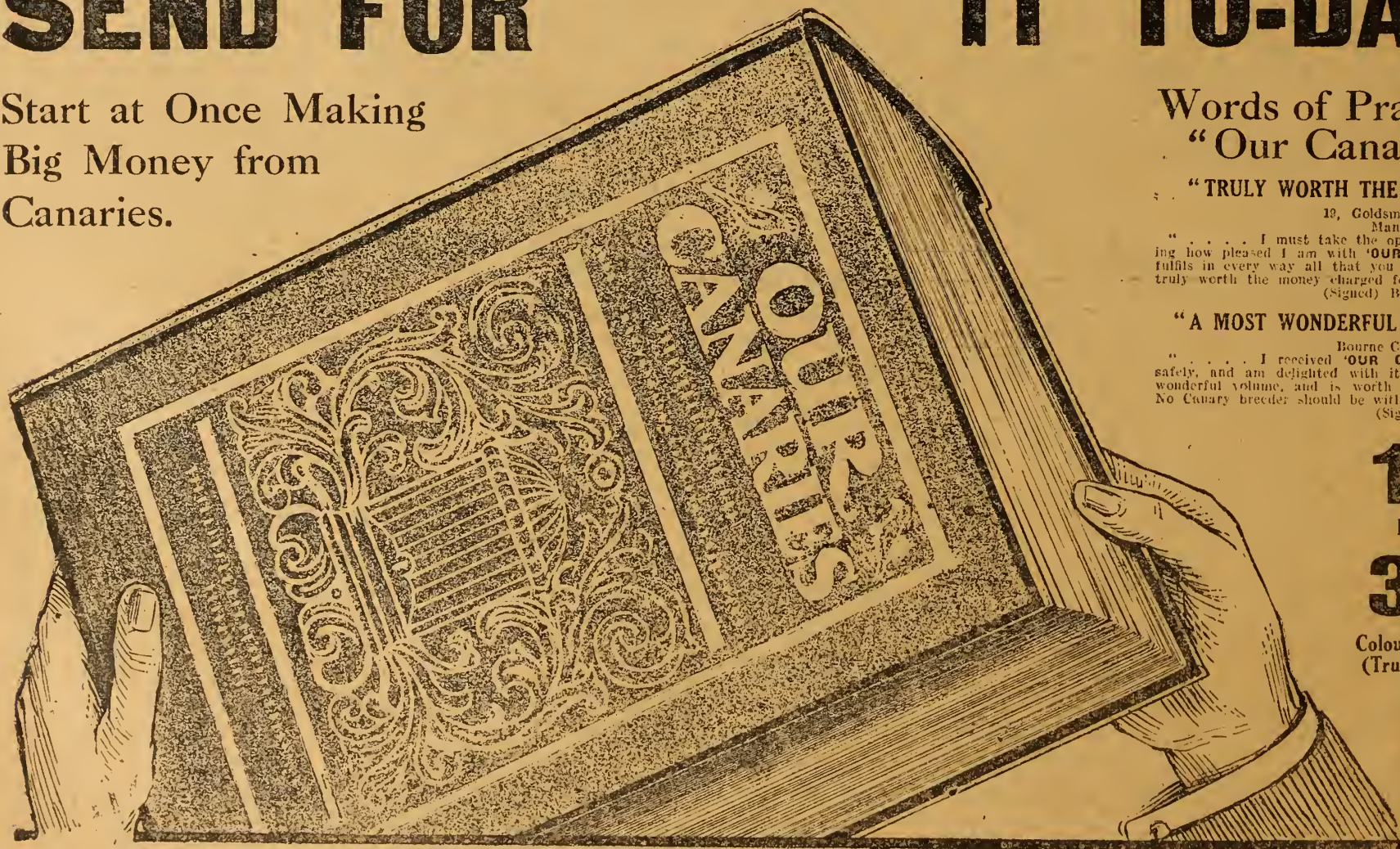
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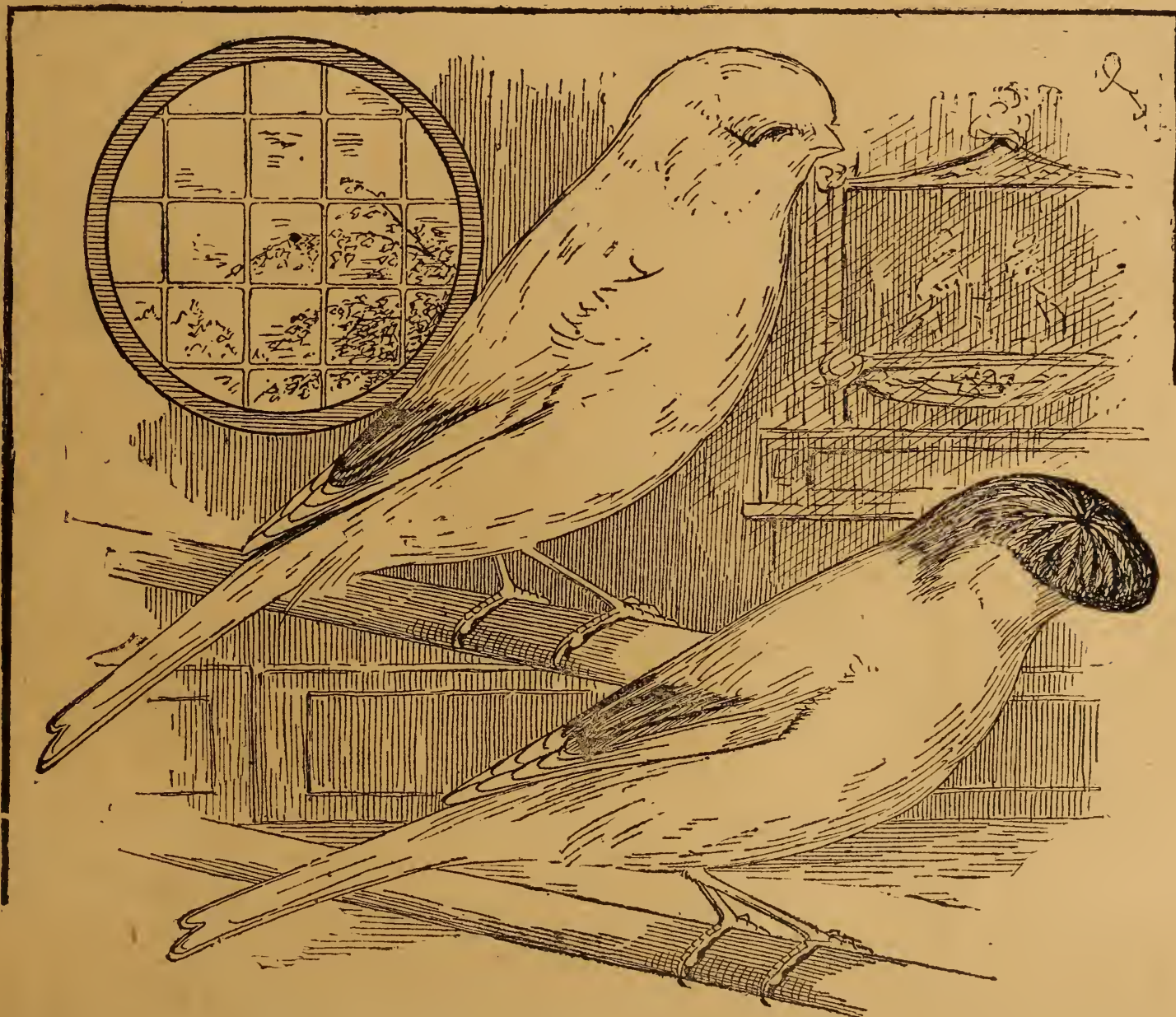
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Twitterings.

Mr. Henry Tams, Longton, is engaged to judge at Wigan Show, Dec. 5.

We are asked to remind members of the Newcastle East End C.B.S., of the table show, to be held Sept. 30.

At the monthly meeting of the Leith O.S. it was decided to hold our annual show as usual on Nov. 14, writes Mr. Geo. W. Brown, sec.

Mr. M. Wellings (Preecot) has been engaged to judge the Lizards at Liverpool show, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Green, secs.

Mr. John Greaves has been appointed judge of the Great Horton O.S. October Members' Show, writes Mr. J. Holroyd, the hon. sec.

The judges for the show of the Glasgow and Western Counties C.B.S., to be held on Jan. 9 next, are: Canaries, Mr. G. Anott, Kirkcaldy; British, Mr. J. Strachan, Bathgate.

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We have a stock of British bred mealworms, write Messrs. A. W. Gamage, Ltd. (Holborn, London), which we may add are larger and much superior to the German mealworms generally used for the English market.

Since our last issue we have received notification that the following shows have been abandoned for this season:—Ilkeston C.B.S., Southend C.B.S., Stockton-on-Tees C.B.S., Cardiff C.B.S., Selby C.B.S., Kirkcaldy C.B.S., Arbroath C.B.S., Portsmouth F.S.

Mr. A. Sutcliffe, Hon. Sec. of the Halifax C.B.S., writes that the patronage of the Cinnamon marked Y.C.C., has been accepted for the show of the society to be held on Oct. 3, and that four open classes in Cinnamon ticked or variegated have been added in order to comply with the rules: Yellow Yorks cock, Buff cock, Yellow hen, Buff hen. 600 schedules have been sent out, and anyone overlooked should apply to Mr. Sutcliffe at 46, Hammond-st., Hopwood-lane, Halifax.

Our Hon. Sec., W. Hodgkins, has joined the "Pals" Battalion of the Liverpool Regiment, and is now in training at Hooton, writes Mr. G. Benson, hon. sec., pro tem., of Wallacey C.B.S., and we are therefore compelled to seek a new secretary. We have other members who have been called up to join their regiments, both R.H.A. and R.F.A. It is needless to say we wish them good luck and a safe return ticket to Berlin. We are holding our members' show as usual on Nov. 7, Mr. E. Brunskill judge.

The opening article in the September issue of "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, is "A Sunbirds' Aviary," by Mr. Wesley T. Page, and is an account of the unique collection of Sunbirds in the possession of Mr. A. Ezra. The Marquis of Tavistock continues his entertaining "Experiences of Cockatoos," and Mr. Page goes on with his "Easter Tour Among Members' Aviaries," this month's instalment being illustrated by pictures of the commodious aviaries at Poltimore Park (Lord Poltimore's). Miss A. B. Smyth tells of the breeding of hybrids between the Red-vented and Red-eared Bulbuls, and among the other contents is the beginning of a description, by Mr. W. Shore Bailey, of a journey across the Sierras of S. California.

OUR READERS' GIFTS TO WAR HOSPITALS AND CONVALESCENT HOMES.

Scheme Approaching Completion: Hurry Up and Be In It.

THE arrangements in connection with our scheme to supply singing Canaries to War Hospitals and Convalescent Homes for wounded soldiers and sailors are approaching completion. We hope to be able in a very short time now to get away the first batch of birds; we are not desirous of doing so, of course, until they have had some chance of recovering from the effects of the moult.

Although we now have in hand a goodly number of promises of birds, we are still open to receive more; as we stated last week, we are sure readers would not wish there should be any possibility of the demand exceeding the supply.

We have during the past few days received from leading bird dealers, etc., a number of offers of living-cages, to house the birds when they reach their destinations. These, needless to say, are just what is wanted, and we thank the donors for their generosity. Possibly there will also be many other kindly-disposed readers who have suitable living-cages they could well spare for this good cause. If so, we shall be glad if they will communicate with us, and fill in the form printed below.

These cages may be of wood (box pattern) or open wire. They need not necessarily be new, so long as they are in a quite clean, sound condition; we would ask, however, that they be of fair size and provided with the necessary fittings. The cage or cages we should ask donors to send carriage paid, and adequately packed, to such hospital or hospitals as we shall notify to donors in due course. May we ask your generous co-operation? The idea is, we think you will agree, a happy and worthy one, and its successful completion will redound to the credit of the Cage Bird Fancy. Gifts of one cage will be welcomed equally as warmly as a larger number.

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I was very pleased indeed to see my Mealy Redpoll on the front page of CAGE BIRDS last Friday. Many thanks for the great honour. I might say he was never beaten by a Mealy Redpoll. The sketch does your well-know artist, Mr. H. Norman, great credit. I wish your grand paper every success. As there are to be fewer shows this season, owing to the war, we shall look to CAGE BIRDS to keep fanciers together, to keep the old flag flying in the Fancy.—One of your many well wishers, Edward Stephens, Hon. Assis. Sec., N.B.B. and M.C.

OBITUARY.

I regret to tell you that our sec., Mr. O. C. Smith, has lost his little son, aged 3 years 3 months, after a brief illness, writes Mr. W. H. Pyke. Members and friends of the Reading C.B.S. will, I am sure, unite in offering their sympathy to him and his wife in their sad bereavement.

Glasgow Fanciers Aid War Fund. The members of the Scotch Fancy National Derby P.A., met on the morning of the show, held Sept. 19, and unanimously agreed to devote the whole of their prize money to the war relief fund.

Migrants in London. A Willow Wren and a hen Redstart, writes a correspondent to the "Saturday Review," are breaking their journey south in the gardens at the back of the King's Road, Chelsea, quite undisturbed by the racket of the traffic twenty yards or so away. Just a year ago I heard and saw for some days a Willow Wren and a Garden Warbler in the gardens at the back of Paulton Square, a little way down the King's Road.

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The London and Provincial O.S. Show.

The L. and P.O.S. Show has been arranged for Oct. 28 and 29 (Wed. and Thurs.) at the Lambeth Baths, Lambeth Road, London, S.E. The ball is a fine one, and very easily accessible. The show will be open to all fanciers able to deliver and collect their own birds to and from the ball, or who make arrangements for collection and delivery, the officials not undertaking to despatch any birds by rail at the conclusion of the show. The L. and P.O.S. hope that all fanciers in the Metropolitan area will support the show; their own members in turn will support, as far as possible, the shows of any other London society. All entry fees will be returned in full as prize-money; no deduction whatever for expenses. The hon. sec., Mr. C. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, North Finchley, will be glad to send further particulars. The judges are Messrs. J. Hodder (Nor.), T. Heath (all other Canaries), A. Silver (Brit.), H. J. Fulljames (For. and Novice Brit.).

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BRISTOL Sept. 30 & Oct. 1.

Entries practically Nil!!! Must accept up to Saturday. PROFITS TO RED CROSS.—MAGGS, Newtown, Bristol.

A FEW FACTS ON CRESTS AND CREST BREEDING.

By
ARTHUR J. WATCHAM.
(Concluded from page 128.)

A lecture given before the London C.B.A. on September 8th.

As to size, it would be right to say that the frame of a big Crest is no larger than that of a big Norwich. But put side by side when fully feathered, what an apparent difference would there be, due only, of course, to the length of feather of the Crested bird.

There is the question of double-cresting: What are the benefits to be gained by so doing and what are its disadvantages? I think myself that you should have a specific object in view in using two Crests, and that the greatest care should be exercised in the choice of birds for the purpose. This is amply borne out by the fact that a considerable number of Crests so bred have no pretensions whatever to proper formation, so that it should be very clear how easily harm may be introduced into one's stud by injudiciously pairing two Crests together which have not suitable properties, or are not properly balanced in their points. It is the easiest possible way to perpetuate bad faults in your stud.

For instance, I should not advise the use of Crests with such faults as bad centres, split sides, or with those glaring "ears." Rather would I prefer to use two comparatively small Crests, providing they were good in contour. Again, you might have a round Crest on one side and an elliptical one on the other, but always bear in mind to see that they possess good back-crests; those I mean that finish well down the neck with a natural fall from the centre. I am not a lover of the Crest that resembles a round table top. I mean those that are not finished at the back with what I think is termed a cowl. Quality of the feather should be fully considered and another very essential point is the small beak. A large beak detracts greatly from the appearance of an otherwise good specimen. In fact, all the good points of the Crest should be rigidly adhered to as far as lies in one's power.

Double-Crest as a Corrective.

It is a good plan to use a bird bred from double Crests when you find you are breeding a greater percentage of Crestbreds. This acts as a certain corrective. As a point: From one Crestbred hen this year I got three Crestbreds in the first nest and one in the second, but no Crests. Now, if I use this hen again next year I should run her with a Crest that has been bred from double Crests, and the same applies to her offspring. I very much like Crestbreds bred from two Crests, and I have got some very good birds that way, but I have not found that you succeed in getting many of them. One yellow so bred I sent to Plymouth. He won, but foolishly enough I omitted to notify on my entry form that he was eligible for the C.C.C. Special, and this consequently went to the second prize bird, and I lost the only opportunity I have yet had of having the coveted honour of taking a special of our Specialist Club.

I have brought with me this evening a Crested cock and two Crested hens. I would not hesitate myself to run him with either of these hens with the object of double cresting. Last season I invested in a yellow Crest cock with the sole object of running him with what I consider my best Crest hen. From them I have a Crestbred I feel proud of.

Don't Under-value the Crest-bred.

Now the Crestbred: There is no doubt a great deal more rests with the Crestbred than some have any idea of. I now allude principally to the novice. It must have a good wide entrance and be quite free from any suspicion of running away behind the eye. Many a bird having feather turning well over beak end has been spoilt by this. I should not despise a Crestbred for breeding purposes because of being a little short in head feather, providing that other essentials were present—such as, and principally, density and rise of skull. Such a bird is invaluable to mate with a Crest with any possibility of a long frontal, but still free from disease of feather or fault of form. I had a pair of breeding one or two

with me to night, but they are not sufficiently forward in their moult. I have heard of two Crestbreds being paired together, but to me this policy would seem to be rather erratic and contrary to the principles of the breed.

Now you have no doubt by this time come to the conclusion that I must be full of admiration for the Crest. Well, I must admit I am. I have at various times tried my hand with the Norwich, Yorkshires, and British, but these side lines have never lasted long. Want of enthusiasm in me, perhaps. But I do not think I suffer from isolation in this admiration. I am sure I am quite right in saying this is also true of my fellow fanciers present, and please do not think me in the least unwilling to grant each their own love of their individual fancy. With these few remarks I will close, and if this little paper has interested you in the least I am fully compensated.



This Japanese Redbreast (*Erithacus akahige*) was exhibited at the Horticultural Hall show by Mr. John Frostick (Balham). The likeness of this charming bird to our own Robin in size and perkiness of demeanour is most marked, while there is more than a little similarity in colour and markings.

SOFT-BILLS AS CAGE BIRDS

A practical article upon the keeping of some of our most popular Soft-bills. By "Old Hand."

(Continued from page 105.)

ALTHOUGH not such a general favourite as the Thrush, the Blackbird is nevertheless a great pal of mine. This bird, which is practically silent all day long, pours forth its melody as the sun goes down. The flute-like notes, I think, excel those of the Thrush, for while the song of the latter suggests predominance, the Blackbird's is a calm, peaceful note, and at times inclined to be mournful; of course, to hear it at its best we must seek it in its natural state. To the hedgerows and copses we will go and have a look at its domestic affairs first.

About the end of March or beginning of April, according to the weather, the nesting operations commence. The nests are built in various places, some in hedges, others in hollies and some on the low branches of trees overgrown with ivy. They are about the same size as that of the Thrush and composed outwardly of dry grass and moss. This is cemented inside with mud mixed with touchwood, but unlike the nest of the Thrush is lined with fine grass.

The eggs, which usually number five, are of a greenish colour, spotted and blotched with brown. The young ones hatch out in about fourteen days and look a little more comfortable than young Thrushes. They soon grow, and are not much unlike young Thrushes, only darker; they retain their Thrush-like plumage until the first moult. As the plumage changes to a glossy black, so the beak changes to an orange colour.

In the Merry Springtime.

By the following spring, when they are thinking of courting, the beautiful orange bill shows up conspicuously against the shiny black coat. The hen, as with most hens, is more soberly clad, and is sooty brown in colour, and her beak is of a brownish-black colour. The food of the Blackbird is similar to that of the Thrush, chiefly slugs, worms, grubs, etc.; berries and fruit are also relished, especially ash, privet and hawthorn. The bird is much persecuted in some localities on a charge of stealing so much fruit, but I do not think he has much more than his share, seeing the good that he does by destroying grubs, caterpillars, etc.

To hear the Blackbird sing at his best one must be out in the fields on a summer's eve, where, perched on the bough of a tree, the "Merle" may be seen. "Wet morning," "Wet morning," "Forty-eight," "Forty-eight," will soon catch the listener's ear, and if he keeps quiet he will soon hear the rest of the flute-like notes of the Blackbird's song.

To keep in captivity hand-reared ones are the best, as they are much the better

Wild ones rarely settle down, they dash about and break their feathers, and are a source of anxiety and disappointment. The method of rearing young ones is similar to rearing Thrushes, as described in the chapter on the Thrush. Do not gorge them or they might choke, about three pieces are enough for each bird at once. Always give a couple of drops of water after each feed to wash all the food into the crop, so as to make sure of them not choking.

The nest should be kept quite clean, and all droppings removed as they appear. I found an old teaspoon very useful for this purpose and always kept one near the nest. If the lining should get wet remove the birds and throw out the old material or they will get cramp. Put in the nest some fresh hay, and roll a hot egg or something round inside to shape it. Give a good dusting of insect powder and replace them. Handle them as little as possible, as the heat of the hand soon upsets them.

Do not stop hand-feeding until you are satisfied they swallow what they pick up, for possibly they are only learning. Leave the nest in the cage as long as possible.

Hybrid Breeding Experiments at the Zoo.

Mr. R. I. Pocock, of the London Zoological Gardens, writing to "The Field," says: "On June 27 I gave an account of our attempts to breed from a cock Javan Jungle-fowl (*Gallus varius*) and hens that are hybrids between that species and the Red Jungle-fowl, *G. gallus* or *bankiva*, and also with hybrids of the latter cross paired *inter se* (amongst themselves). The results showed that there was a certain degree of fertility in each case, but more in the former than in the latter.

More recent trials have given practically the same result. A hybrid hen running with the pure Javan cock laid nine eggs which she incubated herself, five proved clear, and four were fertile, but the chicks were too weak to hatch, and all died in the shell.

In the case of hybrids paired together, a hen sat on eleven eggs, ten of which proved to be infertile and one fertile, the embryo being weak and dying in the shell.

The weakness of the embryo in both cases may possibly be due to the parents being related, and such experiments carried out on a larger scale with unrelated birds might perhaps result in some amount of success. An experiment similar to the second of those has been tried with Quails. Last year a hen Californian Quail (*Zo-*

ble, for they sleep much and lie much warmer in the nest than in a corner of the cage. Do not coddle them at all, but keep them in a cool place out of the draught. When they begin to feed give a few pieces of cut up worms, snails or meat. As they get on gradually withdraw the egg-food and replace it with some reliable packet food, made according to directions.

Educating the Young.

The young birds are not easy to sex, but the cocks are usually a bit darker than the hens. As soon as the plumage changes the cocks are easily distinguished, for the beak gets lighter, which is not noticeable in the hens. The hens may as well be liberated, for they are no good as songsters. If possible cock birds should be hung where they can hear the song of the wild bird, so that they may learn the natural note. Of course, they will utter a few notes without teaching, but it is only a jumble and cannot be compared with that of the original. If an instrument such as a flute or whistle be played constantly within their hearing they will pick up a few notes, but this is not a song. They will learn a little ditty if one has the patience to teach them, but such notes I do not care for like the wild ones.

Variety in food is the best way to keep them in health. I give mine packet food one day and barley meal another, mixed just sufficiently moist to make it crumbly; also slugs, worms, snails, etc., and berries and fruit in season.

(To be Continued.)

hortyx californica) was paired with a cock Douglas Quail (*L. douglasi*), with the result that a number of hybrids were reared. The two species are obviously nearly related, differing somewhat in colour and the form of the crest, and they crossed readily enough, all the eggs being fertile and producing strong chickens.

It occurred to me that this was a good opportunity of trying some Mendelian experiments with species hybrids if only these should prove to be fertile, which I expected they would be, seeing that the two parent forms appeared to be more nearly allied to one another than were the two species of Jungle-fowl before mentioned.

A large number of eggs was laid, and twenty of those were placed, together with ten eggs of the pure Douglas Quail, in an incubator. The latter hatched well, but every one of the hybrid eggs was perfectly clear, showing no sign of fertility.

Such results are most difficult to understand, especially when one considers that another group of gallinaceous birds, the Pheasants, produce fertile hybrids. The Gold and Amherst Pheasants, for instance, or the Mongolian and Chinese, would seem to be at least as distant from one another as are these two Quails, yet the offspring of their interbreeding will themselves breed *inter se*. Or take another group, the Ducks, and we find that such distinct species as the Pintail and Mallard will readily produce fertile offspring.

SCOTLAND'S GREAT NEW YEAR SHOW WILL BE HELD.

Details of Classes and Judges: The Novices Well Looked After.

Report of Scottish National C.B.S. annual and committee meetings, Feb. 14 to April 9, inclusive. Members were present in good numbers, Mr. J. Winter (Pres.), in the chair. Financial statement submitted and approved, showed net gain on last show of £8 9s. 10d. Votes of thanks were heartily accorded Miss Peddie Waddell, Mr. Hoyle, Honorary Provincial and Working Committees, for the splendid assistance given at our exhibition; and to Messrs. J. F. Dewar and P. Green for services as auditors. Office-bearers for 1914-15: Hon. President, Lord Provost R. K. Inches (Edinburgh); Hon. V.P., Coun. A. Stevenson, J. Brown, A. C. Dandie (Edinb.), Baillie F. A. Watt (Banff), A. G. Cameron (Kelso); Hon. Provincial Com., Messrs. R. Jamieson, jun. (Linhfghow), P. McQuiston (Ayr), G. Mitchell (Brechin), P. Arnott (Alloa), J. Young (Rutherglen), W. Bishop (Stirling), T. Adamson (Kirkcaldy), U. Jamieson (Hawick), J. B. Richardson (Dumfries), T. Erskine (Glasgow), H. Bennet (Kelso), R. Bald (Bathgate), J. Patterson (Chirnside), W. Allison (Aberdeen); Pres., Mr. J. Winter (Edinb.); Vice-P., Mr. S. Buglass (Edinb.); Show Manager, Mr. R. Craig (Edinb.); Sec., and Treas., J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham-st., Edinburgh; Committee of Management, Messrs. A. Rodger, W. R. Finnie, T. Todd, J. G. Easter, J. Gourlay, S. May, R. S. Spence, W. Turnbull, D. Morris, J. Charlton, W. Allan, A. Paterson, P. McNiven, A. Weston, H. Norton, A. Bowie, L. J. Arrighi (Edinb.), W. Carson, G. W. Brown, P. Murray, M. Petrie (Leith), A. Hoyle, C. Sykes (Musselburgh), W. B. Smart (Loanhead);

auditors, Messrs. J. F. Dewar and P. Green. Date of show fixed Dec. 31, 1914 and Jan. 1, 1915. The splendid hall, "The Cornmarket," Edinburgh, has again been taken. Classification: Nor., 20 classes including three Limit and two novice; Crest, 9, including 2 Lim. and 1 Nov.; Scotch Fancy, 18, including 4 Lim. and 2 Nov.; Belgians, 2; Bord., 23, including 3 Lim. and 2 Nov.; Yorks., 8, including 1 Nov.; Liz., 1 (guaranteed by Mr. J. F. Dewar); A.O.V. Can., 1; Mules, 10, including 1 Lim. and 1 Nov.; Brit., 22, including 1 Lim. and 2 Nov.; For., 9; extra stock, 1; Hydes, 2. Prize money, 1st 15s. 2nd 10s., 3rd 5s., 4th 3s., 5th 2s. Gift class prize money, 1st 6s., 2nd 4s., 3rd 3s., 4th 2s., 5th 1s. The committee call attention of novices to additional classes given, and hope they will make them a thorough success. Judges: Nor., Messrs. A. Maxwell (Partick) and W. N. Turner (Manchester); Crests, Mr. J. Brotherton (Bolton); Scotch, Messrs. J. Watson (Glasgow); A. Leslie (Thornton); — Hannay (Dumfries), A. Livingstone (Paisley); Borders, J. Johnston (Wallsend) and J. Patterson (Chirnside); Mules, P. McQuiston (Ayr); Brit., J. Livingstone (Bathgate); For., C. Sykes (Musselburgh); Belg., Yorks, Liz., and A.O.V., J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh). Committee desire to convey to all who showed at last exhibition their most sincere thanks for the very fine support, and hope to be accorded as grand support at the next show. We are going to do our best to make this the best year in the history of the Scottish National.

J. R. MEIKLE, Sec.

Club Reports.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Adjourned meeting, Mail Coach Inn, Mr. W. Brotherton chair, and a good attendance to consider whether we should hold our Open Show on Nov. 20. It was decided, after a fair discussion, not to hold the Open Show, but to hold our annual Members' Show on that date. The reason for not holding Open Show is because of the general local distress. —Taylor and Bailey, Secs.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting Mason's Arms, Mr. A. Jardine, president, in the chair. Medals were considered, and secretary instructed to order four gold medals, one for each section. Agreed to get prize cards from "Leith Observer" Office, and that we do not canvass for outside support this year owing to war; to try and get specials from friends who have not been affected by the crisis. I have again secured Masonic Hall for Saturday, Oct. 10, for show. —Walter B. Smart, Sec.

IRVINE C.B.S.

Meeting "Golffields," Irvine, Sept. 12. Mr. John Nairn presiding. Present, Messrs. Spratt, Garland, Savage, McKean, Young, Murray, McColl, and Ferguson. After very careful deliberation it was decided that for this year our open show be not held. Meetings of the society are to be held, as usual, either in the Masonic Hall, or at Golffields. The re-election of office-bearers will take place in November, when new members will have an opportunity of enrolling. Members' subscriptions should be paid to secretary as early as possible. There will be a bird-washing demonstration given by an expert at an early date, and as many as possible should witness this—either to learn therefrom or to criticise. In regard to the abandoning of our open show, there were expressions of regret all round, as everything in connection with the society had been progressing very favourably. —H. M. Ferguson, Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Meeting at headquarters, Marlboro' Hotel, Sept. 9. A good attendance faced chairman Willmott, and another new member was elected. This, said the chairman, was most encouraging to all, especially in these serious times, but if all members would only try and attend in full muster it would keep up interest in the Fancy. Decided that the young stock show be held Nov. 7 at 3, Mr. Wells to be invited to judge. A lengthy debate took place, in which all members joined, on the best way to increase membership and bring the society more to the public eye. Mr. Cowley remarked it was a surprise to him to find that 40 good fanciers resided in and around this district, and all members of the S.B.O.S. He had resided in this district over 30 years, and thought perhaps about 10 or 12 members would be the limit. It went to prove that by having interesting lectures, washing exhibitions, and more table shows, and getting these well advised in the Press, the society should have no difficulty in doubling this number. The chairman thought that members should

make some interesting notes, if only a few lines, on their line of fancy, and send to the sec., who would make it into an interesting article for the leading Birmingham paper. The idea was taken up by all present. Washing competition at next meeting. —J. Sheppard, Sec.

CLYDEBANK C.B.S.

Meeting Sept. 17, Mr. Robb presiding. Sec. read letters from Dumbarton C.B.C. and Vale of Leven C.B.C. in connection with proposed open show. It was ultimately agreed that we should not proceed with it this year, but hope to carry it out next year. Owing to the small attendance it was agreed to postpone classification for members' show till next meeting. —Wm. Kane, Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Members and friends held a musical evening at headquarters, Sept. 9, which proved very enjoyable. Mr. H. James, the chairman, thanked the following for their services: Miss G. Mantell, songs and piano; Miss Parsons, songs; Mr. and Mrs. Pazel, gramophone selections; Mr. E. Loomes, songs; Mr. G. Absolon, songs; Mr. B. Burden, comic songs; Mr. W. H. Gibb, violin solo. Miss G. Mantell acted as accompanist with Mrs. G. Absolon. Another of these social evenings is arranged for Oct. 14, to which all fanciers in the district and their friends are invited. —W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Meeting, Grango Park Hall, Sept. 7. A good muster present to hear Mr. G. King on "The Management of a Birdroom." The lecturer opened his remarks by impressing on those present the need of a system. A stock that was not managed systematically would do no good in the long run. A stock book properly kept was an absolute necessity, and Mr. King explained in detail how his own book was kept. He also gave a number of other useful hints that were appreciated by all, and afterwards answered all the questions put to him. The members accorded Mr. King a hearty vote of thanks for a most interesting paper. The latter part of the evening was taken up by a discussion as to the advisability of running an open show. Bearing in mind the fact that two-thirds of our entries come by rail, and that some of the lines in and around London are being closed for a day or more without notice by the military authorities, the members were unanimously of the opinion that the annual show should be confined to members only. A motion to this effect was carried. —A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

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KIRKCALDY C.B.S.

Special meeting Sept. 16. Decided to postpone annual show, fixed for Oct. 31, till Oct. 30, 1915. Secretaries please note to avoid clashing.—T. Arnott, Sec.

STANLEY (Victoria) F.F. & C.B.S.

Meeting Sept. 19, Mr. R. Peart chair, and a splendid turn-out. Decided to have an open Linnet class on schedule for our annual show Dec. 5 and 6. Prize money paid in full, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s.; 1s. entry. We hope Linnet fanciers will give us a good entry, as we have engaged a popular judge, Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland). —W. Elliott.

MIDDLETON C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters, Sept. 14. Decided to hold our 15th annual show on Dec. 5. Election of judge at next meeting, Oct. 12, when Mr. Schofield, of Failsforth, who judged our young bird show, will give a very interesting lecture on "The Canary in General," and we hope to have all fanciers and friends present; new members will be enrolled at this meeting. —Jas. Hulton.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Committee are unanimously agreed to hold members' annual show on November 24. We hope country members will be able to get some birds through. There will be 59 classes. I shall be pleased to recruit new Border Fancy members; there are five classes offered. Prize money on sliding scale; many specials promised.—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec. (30, Henslowe Road, East Dulwich)

WINDHILL C.B.S.

Special meeting Sept. 19, Blue Bell Hotel. Unanimously decided to accept N.G.M. Y.C.C. patronage for our open show Jan. 2. These classes will now read: Class 13, Yellow, Green Mkd. Cock; Class 13a, Buff ditto; Class 14, Yellow Hen; Class 14a, Buff Hen. Also decided to increase members' entry fee to 1s. 3d. (instead of 1s. as in previous years). Don't forget our members' show Sept. 26. Special prize of a cock chicken given for hottest fed bird shown by a novice. Also other cash specials for both sections.—J. Taylor, Sec.

NORTH LONDON C.E.A.

Meeting at headquarters Sept. 16. Decided to hold a one-day show at Library Hall, Church-street, Stoke Newington, on Oct. 24. Mr. J. Robson judge, in lieu of original date fixed. Also that next meeting be held at headquarters Oct. 14 instead of 21st. Mr. G. Mortlock gave an interesting paper on "Mule Breeding." His knowledge and experience in this direction are well known throughout the Fancy, and the attention given him by members is proof of the esteem we hold for our worthy chairman.—P. W. Jeffries, Hon. Sec.

WEST STANLEY C.B.S.

Meeting Sept. 18, Mr. W. Creswell chair. Schedule for members' show drawn up: 8 Nor., 2 Cim., 2 Crest and C.B., pairs for breeding, 8 Yorks., 8 Borders, 1 A.O.V., 2 Linnets, Goldie and Bullie, Greenie, Mule or Hybrid, Redpoll, Siskin or Twite, A.O.V. Hardbill, Softbill, and Foreign. The show will be held in Victoria Hall Nov. 7 and 8. At next monthly meeting Oct. 3 there will be a table show. Classes: Nor. Cock or Hen, Yorks., Border, British; 3d. entry; birds staged 6.30 at Corn Hotel; new members will be enrolled at this meeting. —W. Elliott, Sec.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Meeting Sept. 19, headquarters, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-street, E.C. Mr. R. J. Pretty presided over a fair number. The society very much regretted to hear that Mr. Shakespeare was on the sick list. Owing to his not being able to attend the meeting to open the debate, the members present decided to draw up the schedule for autumn show. Specials from Messrs. Cullers, Durham, Harrison, and Gilbert, and the eight half-crown specials were allotted, and a special prize for the best bird shown by a lady member. Next meeting Oct. 3, with a table show, and a judging competition of Norwich and Yorkshires. Fanciers will receive a hearty welcome. Mr. T. Wright, of Watford, was elected judge for the autumn show. —W. Gilbert, Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting, Markells Hotel, Mr. Allsopp, chair; the chief business was to decide if we should run open show this year. After some discussion it was decided, owing to the war, and to the hall we had engaged being in the hands of the Military, to abandon our open show for this year. It was resolved to hold a members' show on Nov. 21, when we hope to have a real good show. A discussion took place, re holding a Welsh National show, and this will be dealt with through the press. I trust members will make an effort to attend next meeting, as it is unfair to leave the affairs of the society to the faithful few. Please come along and show your grit; turn up at the meetings, for if we cannot hold a show there is plenty of useful work for you to give a helping hand in. We intend to have a washing exhibition at the next meeting. —E. Thomas.

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The Shows.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET, AND PELTON FELL (Amal.)

Table show Station Hotel Sept. 12. NOR. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Stanger; 2, Redpath. CREST: 1, 2, 3, 4, Redpath. YORKS., YELL.: 1, Stanger. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Stanger. -S. Lindsay.

GLASGOW DERBY O.A.

Show, Grand National Hall, Main-st., Gorbals. Judges, J. Pryce, Barthead, and J. Watson, Glasgow. YELL. C. (5): 1, 2, Muir; 3, Stewart; 4, Renwick; vhc, McRoberts; hc, Blue; c, Scott. BUFF (10): 1, Craig; 2, Muir; 3, Renwick; 4, Gray; vhc, Blue; hc, Stewart; c, Wilson. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Swanson; 2, Stewart; 3, Fulton; 4, Muir; vhc, Gray; hc, McRoberts; c, Vernall. BUFF (14): 1, Jardine; 2, Gray; 3, Fulton; 4, 5, McIlwain; hc, Phillips; c, Stewart.

SCOTCH FANCY NATIONAL DERBY O.A.

Annual show, Sept. 19, National Halls, Mains St., Gorbals, Glasgow. Entries were about normal, and quality above the average. The genial president, Mr. James Hogg, Oakley, was unable to be present owing to an attack of sciatica, and his cheery word and warm hand-shake were much missed by the many fancier friends who made kindly inquiries regarding him. Let us hope he will soon be about again his usual self. The judges, Messrs. Carlaw, Rodger, Fleming, and McFarlane, discharged their duties well. They had a rare struggle to find the cup winner, which was a fine specimen of the bird of circle, belonging to Mr. John Dalgleish, Edinburgh. The runner up was a Cl. Yell. hen, a grand bird, the property of Mr. Andrew Allardice, Overtown.

At a meeting of the members, held on morning of show, before judging started, it was unanimously agreed to give the prize money to the War Relief Fund.

YELL. CK., CL. OR FOUL: 1, Morrison; 2, Hope; 3, 6, McClure; 4, Muir; 5, Strathearn; 7, Fulton. PIED OR GR.: 1, cup, Dalgleish; 2, 3, Brown; 4, Allan; 5, Renwick. BUFF, CL. OR FOUL: 1, Allardice; 2, Campbell; 3, 7, Brown; 4, McClure; 5, Gray; 6, Allan. PIED OR GR.: 1, McClure; 2, Morrison; 3, Craig; 4, Brown; 5, Allan; 6, Jackson; 7, Wilson. YELL. HEN, CL. OR FOUL: 1, Allardice; 2, Higgans; 3, Stewart; 4, Campbell; 5, Brown; 6, Morrison; 7, Muir. PIED OR GR.: 1, Allardice; 2, Gray; 3, Campbell; 4, McClure; 5, Brown; 6, Stewart; 7, Morrison. BUFF HEN, CL. OR FOUL: 1, Morrison; 2, Jardine; 3, Muir; 4, Jackson; 5, Wilson; 6, Hope; 7, McClure. PIED OR GR.: 1, Brown; 2, Dalgleish; 3, Gray; 4, Ferguson; 5, Jackson; 6, Watson; 7, Allan.

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GASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge-street, Sept. 19, for three prizes for four minutes' time singing. 1, Nelson; 2, 3, Wainwright. General meeting Sept. 26; business important.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club opening match Plasterers' Arms, Skinner-lane, Sept. 20. The match was of a very tame nature, the birds being only just over the moult. 18 entered; 1, Brophy; 2, 3, shared Brophy and Bamfield. Judges, Wood, Smith and Lorri-man.—Alf. Lorrman, Sec.

Quality Linnet Singing Contest, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Sept. 19. 14 birds sang for 3 prizes: 1, A. Richardson; 2, Stead; 3, Hollingworth. Judges, Wigfield and Bott. Sept. 20, 18 sang for 3 prizes: 1, T. Johnson; 2, Sissons; 3, Richardson. Judges, Lacy, Bott, Naylor.—W. Naylor, sec.

Quality Singing Contests, Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Bushingthorpe, Sept. 20. 29 birds competed for 4 prizes; the birds were in splendid condition, and some very good singing was heard. 1, Ward; 2, Laycock; 3, Binns; 4, Applevard. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, sec.

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Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules, and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CAUSE OF YOUNG DYING (Nelsoner).—

(1) I think that the cause of the young birds' deaths was practically certain to be due to some error of feeding after the young were taken away from their parents, but you do not give enough details for me to say definitely where you went wrong. You make no mention of green food, nor how you fed the birds after they were on their own. As is quite too late to try again this year, the best advice I can give you is to separate the birds now, and keep them apart until next March or beginning of April, and meantime get a copy of "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our manager will send you for 7d. post free, and well digest its contents between now and then. (2) The parents were not too old to breed successfully, this is self-evident from the results you obtained from them. Neither will they be too old next season, provided they still keep active, and in good health.

TUTORING EN MASSE (Crest).—No, I'm afraid you could not hope to get high-class results from training your young birds all together in the flight. With the tutor caged separately the youngsters would undoubtedly acquire a good ordinary type of song, but for pure or high-class singing this method is quite out of the question. You may, of course, keep the young in the flight until they are beginning to record their song nicely, but they should then be caged up separately for a few weeks at least to finish their training. As your youngsters are now beginning to sing softly, it is just time that you should cage them up to complete their tuition.

MAKES NO SOUND (W. Worth).—The loss of voice may be only temporary owing to the moult, but you should make yourself sure that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts, damp, nor sudden and extreme changes of temperature, or the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Your feeding also is unsuitable. Treat as follows:—For staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day for a fortnight give in addition a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet and broken groats, and on three other days give a morsel of green food, or a little banana, sweet apple, or carrot as a substitute. In the drinking water add five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight. Remember that treatment is quite useless unless you remove the exciting causes.

TO REMOVE HOARSENESS (Jellicoe).—The only rational way to remove hoarseness

is to eliminate the conditions that cause it direct cold draughts, damp, or unwholesome fumes. A cold position will not necessarily cause it if it is free of these conditions, provided the birds have not been removed direct from a heated room to such a position. You must also remember that at this season the moult may be responsible for a bird losing its voice, which is quite different from hoarseness caused by unhealthy conditions, and needs no treatment. If moulting is not the cause in your case treat the bird the same as advised to "W. Worth" in this issue.

COLOUR FEEDING (Dickie, Rochdale).—You are mixing the colour feed considerably too strong for one thing, and you omit to say whether you refer to pure tasteless pepper, or a mixture of tasteless and sugar, with or without a proportion of hot pepper. In any case it will be sufficient if you mix one good teaspoonful of colour with four teaspoonful of the egg food, and give this in equal shares to the five birds each day. Sprinkle it lightly with maw seed when giving it, and if there is nothing but the pure peppers in the colour, add four ounces of soft brown sugar to one pound of the pepper, and well blend it together. Then, I think you will experience no further difficulty in getting the birds to eat it freely. They would also take it better if caged in couples.

EVIL COMMUNICATIONS (Hawk, Leeds).—You can do nothing at all to cure your Roller of the fault of "chopping," now its song is fixed and mature. It is also practically certain to corrupt the song of any other Roller that you may introduce into the room with it, sooner or later. It all depends upon the individual bird; some picking up faulty notes much quicker than others. Unless your neighbour's bird is heard very distinctly in your birdroom I should hesitate to blame it for the fault in the Roller's song, which might have deteriorated even if it had never heard another bird at all. If you want to breed for song alone, and the Yorkshire is heard only somewhat indistinctly, I think you might safely try another Roller cock, after clearing out the one you now have. But if song is not your special object then it would be as well to be on the safe side by beginning again with any breed you may fancy in which song is not of paramount importance.

ABOUT THE WHITES (D.S.).—The White Canary certainly seemed to have lost a little ground last season, but still there were some offered for sale in our prepaid advt. columns last spring, and if you watch them at the beginning of the New Year you will very likely see some offered again. I have sent you addresses by post. No definite price can be named, as this varies considerably.

A QUINTETTE (Stanley).—(1) You can only breed cinnamon ticked Norwich by mating birds with cinnamon blood in their veins on both sides, as in the case of the Yorkshire. It is not essential for both birds of a pair to be actually marked with cinnamon colour provided the blood relationship is there. If you have a choice of specimens, for instance, the best pair for your purpose would be a cock lightly variegated, or lightly marked on wings with cinnamon, mated to a clear hen, bred from cinnamon marked birds, which you would know by the hen having pink eyes. The sexes may be reversed, but in that case you must be quite certain that the cock is really bred from cinnamon parentage. Also you could use two very lightly marked or ticked birds, but to aim at getting marked specimens you should avoid as far as possible using birds with patches of colour on the neck, breast, shoulders, and back. (2) You will get green ticked Norwich easily enough, by mating a ticked, marked, or lightly variegated buff cock with a clear yellow hen, or vice versa, or a ticked, etc., yellow cock with a clear buff hen, or vice versa, in each case the marking being of the green type. In this case it is not advisable to mate two ticked birds, as the marking is apt to run darker than the parents. (3) Treat this bird to a vapour bath. Place it in an open wire cage on the table, place a mug of nearly boiling water near the cage, and cover all—cage and mug—over with a woollen wrap or shawl to confine the steam. Leave it so for a quarter of an hour, then remove the water, but leave the cage covered for half an hour or so. Then return bird to its own cage, and keep a light cover over it for a time to protect it from a chill. Keep it rather on the

warm side, continue giving the bread and milk with the flour of sulphur for a fortnight, and add to the drinking water on the alternate days five drops each of syrup of saffron and sweet spirit of nitre. (4) Enamel is certainly the most durable, and will bear a greater amount of washing than paint, and distemper is the least durable, and generally requires renewal at least once every year. For all practical purposes one is as good as the other if used with average skill, and sufficiently often. (5) No, it is not good policy to use bread and milk or other soft foods as the staple diet of Canaries. The staple food should consist of dry seeds, and soft foods be reserved as luxuries.

TO EXTERMINATE RED MITES (H. Smith).—The failure of your efforts to rid the cage of red mites is most likely due to you overlooking the surroundings when treating the cage. If it is a hanging cage the cord, hook, bracket, etc., on or by which it hangs, should be given just as careful attention as the cage itself, as these are often the recruiting stations from which the newly cleaned cage is re-infested. In the case of a back cage hanging on a wall, the wall should be thoroughly cleaned, and any loose or cracked areas of wall-paper carefully examined and repaired. If you pay attention to these points at the same time as you overhaul the cage itself you will certainly succeed in exterminating the pest. If the cage is not too large, immerse it in a copper of boiling water for a few minutes. Otherwise well saturate it over again with the fluid you will find mentioned in the book you say you have.

SITS HUDDLED UP (A. V. D.).—Give the bird a vapour bath as advised to "Stanley (3)" in this issue; keep it rather on the

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ransden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

warm side, but do not overheat it, and see that it is not exposed to extreme fluctuations of heat and cold. In addition to the staple of plain canary seed, give half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana every second day, and on the alternate days a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut lightly dusted with flour of sulphur and finally sprinkled with soft sugar. Continue this for a fortnight, then give the bread and milk, minus the sulphur, twice a week only, and fill in the other days by giving half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, niger, teazle and broken groats. In the water add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day for a fortnight. Give a spray of watercess three times a week.

RED MITE DESTROYER (A. R. Millard).—Only a thorough overhauling of the cages will rid them of red mites once they become infested, and where there are a number of cages they should all be done systematically at the same time. Remove the birds to temporary cages, well clean and scrape all soilure from the infested cages, and burn it immediately. Then saturate them well inside and out with a solution of camphor in either methylated spirit or paraffin—an ounce to a pint—the spirit being quite the best, but it will spoil the varnish on the cages, if any, and necessitate re-varnishing, staining, etc., as the case may be. Use a small paint brush and work the fluid well into the joints, corners and cracks. Stand in the open air to dry and next day repeat the operation, and when dry this time re-paint or distemper the insides, touch up the outsides as may be necessary, and when quite dry the birds may be returned. When treating the cages with the fluid, do not forget to deal in the same way with all appurtenances and staging, shelves, etc., on which they have been kept. After returning the birds dip the ends of the perches in the fluid once a week for a time.

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BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SHOW CAGE FOR WAXWING (F.G.).

A suitable show cage to exhibit a Waxwing would be one made of light pine, about 16 inches long, 14 high, and 8 wide. The outside should be enamelled black, the front bars and interior light blue, not too bright, but inclining somewhat to grey. If you mix the colour yourself you should purchase a lb. tin of good quality light blue, and mix with it a small quantity of red and yellow ochre. Take a little of the paint on a piece of glass and mix the red and yellow (very little yellow) with a knife until you get the required shade, then imitate this in the bulk, adding the red first, mixing it thoroughly, and then the yellow ochre. If the red you use is of a dull tone you may not require any yellow at all. The perches

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

should not be very large, as the Waxwing has rather small feet, half an inch diameter would be suitable. Have them just large enough for the bird to grip.

BIRDS FOR SMALL AVIARY (A.H.A.).

The following birds would suit your purpose, they would be interesting, and there would be a possibility of some of them nesting next summer, a pair of Goldfinches, Linnets, and Siskins, a Bullfinch and a Greenfinch, both hens. A cock Redpoll, and during the summer months a strong cock Canary. I would advise you to purchase them as soon as possible, and turn them into the aviary before the winter sets in. Be careful to hang your seed boxes so that mice cannot get at them, and place the drinking fountain in a sheltered corner, so that any slight frost does not freeze the water. In very severe weather this should be changed every two hours, the fresh water being slightly warmed.

FEEDING A YELLOW BUNTING (W. H. Dalton).

The Yellow Bunting is not a difficult bird to feed when in captivity. Canary seed is the only one that appeals to the Buntings; in fact, it should be their stock seed. Few of them will eat any quantity of others, though it is as well to give them occasionally a spoonful of wild seed mixture, a little rape, cracked hemp, and maw seed, also a little coarse oatmeal or shelled oats. But to keep them in the best possible condition they should be encouraged to partake of a little soft food. Offer them a few live ants' eggs, if procurable, and failing these dried ones soaked in new milk; after a time these can be mixed liberally with a spoonful of good insectile food, made slightly moist; until they partake of both. In addition to this food they should have mealworms, flies, small beetles, grubs, and scoured gentles, according as you are able to procure them. If fed in this way, kept perfectly clean and allowed to bathe, the Yellow Bunting is a healthy and handsome cage bird, and well marked specimens make good show birds.

COLOUR - FEEDING REDPOLL - CANARY (Novice).

No matter how much colour food you give your Redpoll-Canary, you will not get any brilliant colour upon him, because he is naturally rather sombre in tone. With some of the other crosses there is the real natural colour to work upon, consequently the food enhances this, and then if the bird takes it well and is perfectly healthy, we get the brilliant specimens that we see on the show bench. Continue the food right through the moult.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING BUDGERIGAR (A.M.).—Give direct to the beak one drop of pure salad oil, repeat the dose after an interval of three hours. Get from your chemist a mixture of spirit of camphor, laudanum, essence of peppermint, tincture of rhubarb and tincture of capsicum, say a pennyworth of each, and well shake together. Put three drops of the mixture into the drinking-water daily till relief is given. Give a little milk sop daily, made so: Get two or three pieces of sponge cake as large as walnuts, half a teaspoonful of condensed milk, quarter teaspoonful of cod-liver oil emulsion, and two tablespoonfuls of boiling water, well stir together, then add a teaspoonful of

corn flour and stir again till properly incorporated. In addition supply the regular seed diet, etc., and also keep a millet spray in the cage. The milk sop can be continued till the bird has recovered condition, and should then be gradually discontinued. Keep the bird fairly warm, keep cage very clean, and there should soon be an improvement. As soon as the diarrhoea yields, cease giving the mixture and put half a teaspoonful of syrup of phosphates in the drinking water in lieu of same.

BUDGERIGARS (B.C.P.).—Note: the cage must stand below the level of the gas burners in your kitchen, and should have a light and airy, but not draughty, position. Give the bird one drop of pure salad oil, direct to the beak from a quill, every three hours, till the bowels have been well moved. As soon as this occurs, or in conjunction with the above, put 5 drops of laudanum in a little syrup, and when thoroughly dissolved put five drops into the drinking-water daily for a week, or instead of putting it into the water you can give one drop direct to the beak twice daily for the same period. Follow this by a course of hypophosphites in the drinking water to tone the bird up a little. With all caged birds a watch should be kept against constipation—in fact it is better to keep the bowels properly regulated by a weekly or fortnightly dose of Dinneford's Magnesia (one teaspoonful) in the drinking water. If the swelling does not yield in the course of a few days paint with neat whisky, but the bird must be kept in quite warm quarters while this is being done. In the case of further adverse symptoms write again, at once, with full details. Do not omit to keep grit and cuttlebone in the cage.

AILING AMAZON (J. Bell).—In addition to the boiled maize, give this bird a seed mixture of canary, white millet, oats, hemp, sunflower seed and shelled nuts, about equal parts of each—well mix and keep a supply in the cage. Cease giving the bread soaked in tea, but you can give either crusts or biscuit moistened with chemical food and water. Cuttlebone and grit must be continually in the cage. Get the mixture as advised to "A.M." in this issue, and put four drops daily in the drinking water till the diarrhoea ceases. As soon as this occurs put half a tea-

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Acadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Wabills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

spoonful of Byno-phosphates in the drinking water every other day while the moult lasts. As soon as the diarrhoea ceases offer ripe fruit daily, any kind it will eat that is in season. Keep the cage very clean, it would be wise to remove the droppings at once while the diarrhoea lasts, and for preference burn them. Keep the bird warm, yet in an airy but not draughty position. Report progress a month hence.

BUDGERIGARS (Paul).—By the time you receive this second reply the salad oil should have taken effect. I have carefully considered both your letters, and I can only advise you to give a little milk-sop, not sloppy; prepare so: Three pieces of sponge cake about as large as walnuts, one-third teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion, half-teaspoonful of condensed milk, and a table spoonful of boiling-water, or a little more if necessary. It will be better, perhaps, to mix the liquid first and then add the sponge-cake for this species. If she will take this it will feed her up nicely, but if she will not, then you must give her one drop of the cod liver oil emulsion direct to the beak twice daily, but it is certainly desirable to catch her up as little as possible, especially if this distresses her at all; therefore if she does not touch the milk-sop the first day supply it for two or three days, so as to give her a full opportunity of doing so. If the bird does not struggle in your hand you could easily push its beak into the sop and it would

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ACCINGTON C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Crown Hotel, 8. Annual meeting, election of officers, balance sheet, show business; subs. now due.—D. Harwood.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Mr. Hanagans, 7.30. Important.—W. Thompson.

BISHOP AUCKLAND C.B.S.—Sept. 30, Y.M.C.A. Hall, 7.30. Very important.—R. Elliott.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET & PELTON FELL (Amal.).—Sept. 26, Pelton Fell, 6. Table show, Goldie or Bullie, Bramble or Chaffie, Greenfinch, A.O.V. Finch.—S. Lindsay.

BLAYDON C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Consider the holding of members' show in place of annual show, and other business.—G. Havver.

BRADFORD CITY O.S.—Sept. 26, Flying Dutchman, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden.—W. Helliwell.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.—Sept. 26, Park Chapel Schools. Members' show; entries Friday night till 10, Sat. 2.30; Mr. S. Wilcock, Eccleshill, judge.—W. Cruise.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.A.—Sept. 26. Special meeting.—W. H. Kilburn. (Time and place of meeting not stated.—Ed.)

BRAMLEY O.S.—Sept. 26, Carnival Rooms, 8. Important business.—F. Page.

CLAY CROSS C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Angel Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for members' show. Oct. 24.—J. Griffiths.

COVENTRY O.S.—Sept. 30, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Open show business.—A. Green.

DERBY C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Normanton Hotel, 7.30. Appointment of judge for members' show; selection of cup for Yorkshire class.—F. Jordan.

EAST HAM F.S.—Oct. 1, 2 till 10. Young stock show; judge, Mr. T. S. Ward; Harmonic Hall, Plashet Grove, East Ham. Special silver spoon for best, and best novice.—W. Kite.

FELLING-ON-TYNE F.F.S.—Oct. 3, Blue Bell Hotel, 6. Monthly meeting and table show; judge, W. Witherley; entries close Sept. 30; fee 3d., to W. Stockton, Middle Road House, Sheriff Hill.

GLASGOW, QUEENS PARK C.B.S.—Sept. 30, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Lecture.—R. Heggie.

HALIFAX O.S.—Sept. 26, Plummet Line Hotel, 7. Washing exhibition by Mr. R. E. Helliwell, also novice competition for medal given by Mr. F. Townsend; judge, Mr. W. H. Ball; novices bring their own birds (all yellows).—H. Clegg.

HALTWHISTLE C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Mr. Nicholson's, 8. To consider annual show, and other business.—Wm. Tallantyre.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.—Sept. 28, Headquarters, 8. Special meeting for open show business, printing and classification.—A. Lawford.

HALIFAX C.B.S.—Sept. 26, King Cross Band Room. Members' show; birds staged 2 p.m.; judge, Mr. C. Pickup; classes 4 and 5, open, to read "any variety hen"; classes 15 and 16, nov., ditto.—A. Sutcliffe.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.—Sept. 28, Spencer Hall, 8.30. Committee meeting at 8. Questions and answers, and other important business.—J. Hyde.

then be certain to suck in a little, then while it is in your hands, give it one drop of the cod liver oil emulsion before returning it to cage; afterwards it will probably help itself to the sop. It will certainly benefit the bird to keep it quite warm, in a position near the fire, but not facing fire light, even if this means caging it separately for a time. If the bird dies it would be well to have the body sent for post mortem examination, so as to ascertain definite cause.

WARTY GROWTH (J.W.D.).—The warty growth by the side of beak will ultimately break away. Lightly touch the growths occasionally with tincture of iodine, but you must not get it into either the bird's mouth or eyes. Give a laxative twice a week so as to keep the bowels moving quite freely, at the same time there must not be the appearance of chronic diarrhoea—one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water is about the best. On other days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites in the water, and give three or four drops of cod liver oil emulsion daily, or a crust, piece of cake, or anything similar the bird will eat. Besides water, grit and cuttlebone, the bird's dietary should cover seed mixture, nuts, and ripe fruit regularly. Any of the following may be given as extras: Biscuit, plain cake, crusts, dry potato, raw carrot, green cereals—if the bird insists on having any of these moistened, do not use tea, coffee, milk, etc., but keep a mixture of chemical food and water by you for the purpose. Do not give general table scraps, slops, or animal food of any kind whatever. If it has been accustomed to boiled maize, this can be continued, though not necessary for

HEBDEN BRIDGE C.B.F.A.—Sept. 27, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8. Union books to hand, and show business.—A. Roberts.

ILKESTON C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Live and Let Live, Cotmanhay, 7. Class making for members' show; important.—G. Siddown.

LONG EATON C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Sawley Road C. Schools, 7 committee, 8 general. To make classes and complete arrangements for members' annual show.—G. Baines.

LEIGH C.B.S.—Sept. 30, Railway Hotel, 7.45.—R. Charleson.

MACCLESFIELD C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Daybrook St. Schools, 7.45. Back end show business.—H. Hall.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.—Oct. 1, People's Hall, Tanners Hill, S.E., 8.15. Washing demonstration and competition; please bring a bird; committee meeting at 7; urgent.—Burton Bros.

NEW STEVENSON O.S.—Oct. 1, Masonic Hall, 7.30.—J. Lamb.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Purvo's Cafe, Clayton Street, 7.30. Show business, also to receive promise of Canaries for Lord Mayor's War Fund.—J. W. Reed.

NORTH & RHONDA VALLEY C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Headquarters, 7. Lecture on and exhibition of British birds by Mr. A. H. C. Legg.—J. S. Jones.

PAISLEY TANNAHILL O.S.—Oct. 3, Mr. White's, 2, St. James St., 8. Election of office-bearers, etc.—J. Stewart.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.—Sept. 26, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Respecting annual show; very important.—A. Percival.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Granby Hotel. Members' show; birds staged 3; judge, Mr. R. E. Helliwell.—W. Jagger.

ROCHDALE O.C.—Sept. 28, Club Rooms, Clarks Place, 8.30. Committee meeting.—J. Butterworth.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Important.—Taylor and Bailey.

RUNCORN B.B.A.—Oct. 2, Headquarters, Old Cocoa Rooms, 7.30. Show business.—E. Rone.

SALE C.B.S.—Sept. 30, Excelsior Club, Tatterson Road, 8. Open show business; will all members attend, as this is the first meeting of the season, also note change of meeting night.—H. Whitney.

SCOTTISH NATIONAL C.B.S.—Oct. 1, 142, High Street, 8. Business very important. All expected to be present.—J. R. Meikle.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Table show cancelled. Preparing the Yorkshire for exhibition, by Mr. W. T. Furniss; members come prepared with questions. Nomination of officers for 1915.—A. Hobson.

STOCKPORT & HAZEL GROVE B.F.A.—Sept. 29, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Date of show, judge, classification, etc.—W. Stafford.

TONG C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. Members' show; birds staged by 3; judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill.—W. Walker.

WALLASEY C.B.S.—Oct. 1, Fairhaven Institute, Sea View Road, 8. Washing exhibition and competition for novices; special given for best washed bird; also election of sec.; important.—G. Benson.

WINDHILL C.B.S.—Sept. 26, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. J. Broadley; entries Friday night, 8 to 11; special novice prize for hottest fed bird, also cash specials for each section.—Taylor and Ellis.

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GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

TED SMITH.—We will have a drawing made of your sketch and utilise it in due course.

E. J. REYNOLDS.—Thanks for the cutting, which we will print if space permits.

WANTED two monkeys, young, will give good exchange in poultry, rabbits, and cash; 2, Lahrnam Cottage, Seldown lane, Poole, Dorset. (1781)

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WANTED hen Canaries, Norwich, and Yorkshires, 18/- dozen, 1/- each; hen Goldfinch Mules; cash or deposit; W. Rutherford, Bird Dealer, Leytonstone. (1783)

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AUSTRALIAN Parrot; exchange for a good talker, will give a little cash also for good one; Beveridge, McEvans Build, Crossgates, Fife. (1779)

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16 good Norwich Canaries, sell or exchange fowls; Abbott, 4, Bright-st., Peterborough. (1781)

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FRANK F. LAWSON, Norwich Specialist, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle.—Grand lot of young birds for sale, also fine big year-old cocks and hens, fit to win; stamped inquiries solicited. (1792)

WANTED, a large quantity of Norwich for export; state price: Barnea, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1792)

NORWICH cocks 4/6, 6/6, 7/6, and 10/6, hens 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forbes, N.B. (1792)

NORWICH, large cocks, in song, 1914 cold-room bred, 5/-; hens, 2/-; Moore, 39, Cranleigh-rd., Tottenham, N. (1792)

MRS. TOLLEY offers Norwich, grand cock and two clear hens, for 10/6; genuine bargain: Highlands, Wokingham, Surrey. (1786)

LADY MURIEL DIGBY can spare few large 1913 Norwich cocks and hens, also 1914 cocks; Chelmington, Dorchester, Dorset. (1792)

GRAND Norwich, moulted, large, grand type, good heads, some winners, cheap; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1780)

SELLING out, cheap to clear; cocks, 5/-; pairs, 6/-; Crested cocks, 7/-; two Roller hens for 2/6: Taylor, St. Michaels, Bridport, Dorset. (1790)

TWELVE Norwich cocks, guarantee songsters, 4/-, hens 2/-; pair caplets, 4/-; exchange cycle lamp: Carpenter's Arms, Gt. Rochester. (1778)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

EXCHANGE silver English lever watch and chain for two good pairs Canaries, Norwich preferred; approval both ways: Shaw, 27, Victoria-st., Paignton. (1790)

NORWICH pair; moulted yellow cock, thick-set, cinnamon green hen, 9/-; approval, deposit: Chow, Hairdresser, 101, Handcroft-rd., West Croydon. (1794)

ALL my Norwich for sale, including winners, one lot or separate, 3 Borders, Crest, pair Yorkshires; also cages, utensils, etc.: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1794)

LEAVING Lewes; must reduce stock; offer at much prices last year's winners, also splendid young from same, colour fed; winner Palace, Brighton, Lewes, Hastings; approval: Oiley, 18, Dorset-rd., Lewes. (1789)

MR. C. W. SILK can offer a few of his champion winning Norwich, the finest strain in the Fancy. One large clear yellow cock, winner 3 firsts 2 seconds last season in the hottest competition in the South, now ready for the show bench, 50/-; approval with pleasure; many others ready in a few days; state requirements: Glenrosa, Emsworth. (1791)

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NORWICH Canaries, 1/11, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birde," 154, Fleet-st., London

CHAMPION Norwich, show or stock birds; can spare large typical clear yellow hen, rare head, chest and type, only 10/6; monster clear big-headed buff hen, 12/0; ticked yellow hen, real topper, only 11/6; massive variegated buff hen, certain to win best shows, 15/-; two champion yellow cocks, four buff cocks, will win any leading show, regular slashers, prices 21/- to 43 each; above all 1914 bred and are in best of form; cannot be beaten: George Cubley, Luton Gowts, Long Sutton. (1794)

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Crystal Palace, Manchester, and all leading show strains, cocks, yellows and buffs, from 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-; show specimens, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; for show, 15/-, 20/-; any on approval; a 20 years' noted winning strain; breed 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs. (1792)

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD.

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Gluck Rollers (pure Handall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913. (1792)

WANTED, a large quantity of Rollers for export; state price, cash: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1792)

ROLLER cock Canaries, 3/0, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeders, Forbes, N.B. (1792)

ROLLERS. 1914 English bred, guaranteed singing cocks, 5/-; good strain; hens, 2/-: Bull, 505, High-rd., Tottenham. (1792)

NORWICH Rollers, cocks, through moult, singing grand, 6/- each; approval, deposit: W. Gretton, 18, Forest Houses, Blaeneydach, Glam. (1789)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer of high-class Rollers; have some grand cocks on song, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, hens 1/6 each; approval willingly: John Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1799)

MY own breeding, and taught under my champion Roller, young Rollers, on nice song, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6, and a few extra good, 10/6 each: Fred Allen, B.R.C.C. Porter-st., Hull. (1795)

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Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of best organs, price 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed and on approval, hens, 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; proper Roller bug cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established fifty years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandiford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London. (1792)

Yorkshires.

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YORKSHIRES, grand singing cocks, 5/6; four true pairs for 20/-: Taylor, 30, Howard-st., Bradford. (1789)

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YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, coloured Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1792)

SPLENDID pair of prize-bred Yorkshires, really first-class birds, 12/6; approval, deposit: Manager, 5, Mount-st., Welshpool. (1796)

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HANDSOME young Yorkshire cocks, singing, 6/6; hens, 3/6; make good stock birds; approval: Olford, 14, Martha st., Portsmouth. (1778)

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GRAND pair Yorkshires, best strains, 25/-, cheap; also 1914 yellow hen, 3/6; V. Lomer, Ashdene, Regent's Park, Southampton. (1792)

YORKSHIRES, splendid clear yellow cock, open rung, colour fed, 7/6, good bargain: Williams, 882, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1792)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, for exhibition or song, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-; approval: Ernest Chesire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1785) FINE Yorkshires, colour-fed, pairs from 7/6 upwards, singers 5/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, Nr. Huddersfield. (1783) YORKSHIRE cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; related to winners; also cages, cheap; giving up: Wilkes, 1, Jombert-st., Latchmere Estate, Battersea. (1759) SPLENDID buff cock, fine type, yellow hen, make good stock pair, accept 15/-, last pair; approval, deposit: Longhurst, 28, Wilmot-rd., Leyton. (1757) T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788) YORKSHIRE, unflighted, winner only time shown, 10/6; two splendid buffs, 1913, ready for showing, 9/- each: Apply, 10, Hartington-pl., Brighton. (1789) MOLE BROS. have a few champion Yorkshires for disposal, Dykes's and Odgen's strain; cocks from 6/-, hens from 4/- upwards: Church-st. Aviaries, Blaina, Mon. (1791)

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SEVENTEEN Yorkshires, mostly cocks, Bennett's strain, two double, four single cages, and appliances; removal cause of sale, £4 or nearest offer; bargain: Shreeve, 10, Polwerth-rd., Streatham Common. (1778)

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WINNING Yorkshires for sale; not having time to exhibit this season, I have the following now ready for sale: Ticked yellow cock, 1914 bred, red hot colour, 7in. long, as straight as a rush, certain winner, 45/-; uneven marked yellow cock, 1914 bred, can win anywhere, 60/-; cinnamon marked yellow cock, 1912 bred, won in novice a few times, better than ever, 55/-; ticked buff hen, lovely type and quality, nice size, can win, 17/6; clear buff cock, red hot colour, nice size, 17/6; a few others from 12/6 upwards; state wants; 6 days' approval; cash or deposit: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1796)

PURE YORKSHIRES

Crystal Palace first prize strain, guaranteed; some lovely specimens, clean moulted cocks, yellows or buffs, from 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/- each; hens, yellows or buffs, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each; any on approval; I guarantee to please you, as soon as you see them. Cages, 2/- each. Breeder 20 years: Sandiford, Canary Specialist, Preston; also 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London. (1792)

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Winner of Yorkshire Challenge Cup, also Green-marked Trophy, open competition, 1913-1914. I have some good birds now ready, and with so many shows cancelled shall not require so many teams this season. Can now supply winners for keenest competition at about half usual prices, also some grand pairs from 10/6 upwards; inspection invited at any time, or kindly state wants; satisfaction guaranteed: T. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1789)

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QUICK sale, 1 Yorkshire, 1 Norwich Canary hens, 2/6 each, 5/- pair: J. Overton, Atlas-st., Canklow, Retherham. (1791)

CANARIES, Norwich, also Rollers, to clear, cheap; double and single cages: W. Kay, 25, Doris Grove, Burnantofts, Leeds. (1790)

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CLASS Yorkshire cock and hen, 6/6; 3 Norwich cocks and 6 hens, 1/-; offers gramophone records: 36, Willfield-rd., Preston, Lancashire. (1791)

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Greatest bargains ever known, taking into consideration the quality. Prize-bred Norwich, Yorkshire, or Boplers, cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-; three hens (colours, my selection), any above breeds, or mixed, 5/6 lot; very exceptional bargains; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up; cages, 3d.; beware of the low-priced mongrel hens offered as cocks. Exhibition Norwich Plainheads, Crests, Yorkshires, Lizards, Scotch Fancies, Mules; some exceptions at pair prices: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich. (1796)

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WANTED for cash, Mule and Hybrids, all varieties: Offers to Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1796)

1914 cock Goldfinch mules, 5/6 and 6/6; 2 variegated Norwich cock Canaries, 6/6: F. Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare. (1790)

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FEW splendid cock Goldfinch Mules, pure Finch notes, suit catchers, 7/6 each; exchange Finches; stamp: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1794)

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SIX colour-fed cocks, Goldfinch Mules, through moult, pure Goldfinch song, 5/6 each; two hens, 1/- each; what offers: Stubbs, 23B, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (1790)

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 WHOLE of my foreign birds, must sell, volunteered for service; pair Red-headed Cardinals, on eggs, brought up six young this year; 2 pair aviary-bred Grey, one White hen Java Sparrows; pair Bishops, cock Nutmeg, paired to hen Cutthroat, cock Cockatiel, cock Zebra Dove, pair Chaffinches, Greenfinch, Red, paired to cock Redpoll, cock Yellowhammer, cock Lovebird, all outside about two years, nearly all finger-tame; seen any time by appointment; approval, what offers: Cornwell, South Bank, Yorks.

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 Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk. 45/-; easy payments accepted. (1795)
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 WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshires in large or small quantities; state price; approval: Vance, 6, Stirling-st., City Glasgow.
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 WANTED, dealers, who can take large or small Linnets, 2/6 doz., 1/- hens, all kinds British birds: Fisher, 125, West-rd., Shropshire. (1786)
 WANTED, offers Canaries; exchange trio Silver Sebright Bantams, winnes, sell 20/-; approval: Martin, Show Secretary, Castle-Douglas. (1794)
 WANTED birds, dogs, monkeys, parrots, rabbits, ferrets, squirrels, etc., purchase or exchange other varieties: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1796)
 WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets, all kinds of British weekly: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1790)
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 WANTED, for export, 50 pairs large, colour-fed and natural coloured Cinnamon Canaries, Norwich type; state quantity for sale and lowest prices, on approval: Geo. Cubley, Luton Gowts, Long Sutton.
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Club Reports.

BRIDGETON EAST END O.S.
 Meeting Sept. 15, Mr. A. McMillan presiding over a fine turn out. After business, which included very important matters, had been gone over, the president asked Mr. Stewart, senr., Cathcart, to begin his hand washing exhibition, which he had voluntarily come to do for the benefit of members. Mr. Stewart gave a fine exhibition, which interested the members very much. The president moved a hearty vote of thanks, and thanked Mr. Stewart very much for his services.—D. Burnett, Sec.

ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.
 Meeting, Sept. 23, Station Cafe, Altrinch., the proposed classification for members' show was discussed, no decision being agreed on, it was left in abeyance. Mr. T. Harrison gave a highly interesting lecture on "Seeds and other foods," their uses and abuses, which was much appreciated, and it is to be regretted that there was not a larger attendance of members. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Harrison. Next meeting Oct. 7, Station Cafe, Altrinch., "Washing Demonstration," by Mr. Hickson.—C. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

LARKHALL C.B.A.
 Meeting in Y.M. Halls, Sept. 19, Mr. Pundell presiding. Slight alteration was made in schedule for annual show on Oct. 31; Canary section—5 classes Nor., 5 Bord., 2 Yorks., 1 Common, 1 A.O.V., 1 Crest or C.B., 1 Sell. Judge, Mr. W. G. Muir, Kilmarnock. 2 classes Mule and Hyb., 9 Brit., 1 Mule or Hyb. Selling, 1 For., 1 Gift. Also Greenfinch hen class and class for best decorated cage for boys and girls under 14 years (open). Judge, Mr. P. McQuiston, Ayr. Next meeting Oct. 3, in Y.M. Halls at 7. Members holding cups for last year are asked to bring to next meeting. Schedules ready.—Allan Thomson, Sec.

WALKLEY C.B.S.
 Meeting Sept. 10, annual show business; decided to hold show at usual date, viz., Nov. 14. Classes were somewhat reduced, leaving 5 members' Yorks., 5 members' Norwich, same novice in both sections. Old birds: Yorks 3 classes, Norwich 3, British 4. Prizes 3s., 2s., 1s.; rule relating to members being financial to be strictly enforced. Show opens at 1 o'clock, close 8 o'clock. Birds can be brought Friday night 8.30 to 10 o'clock; each member to be responsible for two tickets. A letter of goodwill was sent to Mr. Lawton, Association Sec., who has left to join his regiment. Mr. Tisson was appointed to his place. A colour food competition followed, and very interesting it proved; 1st T. Ridal, 2nd C. Tomlinson. Members rally round next meeting, Oct.; table show, 10 classes.—C. Tomlinson, sec.

YORKS. AND LANCS. B.B. & M.C.
 Meeting Sept. 23, Market Tavern, Godwin-street, Bradford, Mr. W. A. Cowgill chair, and a fair turn-up of members. We had the pleasure of making five more new members, namely: Mr. H. Walsh, Accrington; Mr. G. Fletcher, Sheffield; Mr. A. Cuss, Ripon; Mr. W. Waind, Leeds; and Miss Pickering, Scarborough. This meeting being called to discuss what was to be done in regard to patronage, there seemed to be no other alternative but to cancel the few patronages we had left, seeing most of them had abandoned their shows, and it was agreed unanimously that the patronages be abandoned this year. Decided to give, for members of the Y. and L.B.B. and M.C., 3s. and bottle of wine value 1s. 9d. for 1st and 2nd most points in British and Mules, at Bradford West and Manningham, 3s. 6d. at Doncaster, and 3s. 6d. at Manchester Northern Counties O.S. Decided that all subs. and adverts. that are paid stand for next year. The war has upset nearly everything, but we must hope for the best and more shows next year. I hope members will show as many birds as they can at the shows mentioned. Bradford National Show is run in conjunction with Bradford West and Manningham for the benefit of the Cinderella Fund (three shows in one). The dates are: Bradford West and Manningham, Nov. 21; Doncaster, Jan. 9.—T. H. Inman, Hon. Sec.

LANCASHIRE & LIZARD F.A.
 Meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, Sept. 19th. The chief business was in regard to show patronage, as the secretary had to inform the meeting that Nottingham and Sheffield had both decided to abandon their shows. However, a little brightness was brought into the matter when it was given out that Manchester and N.C.O.S. had decided to try at least a one-day show, and even had it under discussion about a two-days' show. The L. and L.F.A. gave them their patronage, and promised to try and make the Lanes. and Lizard classes a success. Decided to have 6 classes for Lancashires and 6 for Lizards, as follows:—Yellow Copy, Clear or Ticked Buff ditto, Yellow Plainhead ditto, Buff do., Lanes. Hen, A.V., and Lanes., Bred 1914. Lizards: Gold Clear Cap, Silver,

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Gold Broken Cap, Silver; hens, Gold Lizard, A.V., Silver, A.V. Mr. John Swallow, Oldham, judge. Sec. was instructed to ask Mr. F. W. Baker, the once famous Lizard exhibitor, to judge the annual Club Show, in connection with Denton Show, Nov. 21st. It is to be hoped that we shall be successful in getting this gentleman to judge, as his experience in Lizards should tend to bring out a good entry, and many fanciers will be pleased to once again see him amongst the "dark-uns." A little bird whispered the news that under the supervision of Teddy Fuller, the Rogues' Den Prince Albert Fund is an enormous success. Will members kindly note that subs. are now due, and send same on to me as early as possible. Next meeting Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, Oct. 17.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

PELTON FELL (Amalg.) C.B.S.
 Meeting Pelton Fell, Colliery Inn, Sept 26, Mr. J. Stanger chair. A discussion was held about including a few open classes at the annual shows, but members think there would not be plenty of support. Mr. J. Stanger was appointed to judge the birds staged. BRAMBLE AND CHAFF. (8): 1, c. Davison; 2, 3, vhc. hc, Wilford. GREENF. (5): 1, hc, Davison; 2, 3, vhc, Wilford. A.O. FINCH (2): 1, Wilford; 2, Davison. GOLDF. (1): 1, Davison. Next meeting at Chester-le-Street, Dunn Cow Inn, Oct. 10, at 6. Preparation of schedule for first annual show.—J. Robinson, Sec.

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JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as judges. Terms for insertion on application.

- J. C. BARNES**, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.
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- J. W. BRUCE**, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.
- W. A. COWGILL**, 115, Washington Street, Girlington Bradford. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.
- H. J. FULLJAMES**, 42, Lincoln Road, S. Norwood, London, S.E. Specialist, British and Foreign.
- SEO. GARDNER**, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.
- C. HOBBS**, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate.
- I. R. HOUGHTON**, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.
- A. HOUSE**, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.
- I. W. METCALFE**, Yorkshire Aviaris, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate.
- W. R. MILES**, Aviaris, Clitheroe.—Judge of all varieties Cage Birds, Norwich Plainhead Specialist.
- W. MUNDELL**, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.
- H. NORMAN**, The Lytle, Salisbury Road, Camsnaton, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrid and British Birds.
- J. PATTERSON**, Chirnside, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide, practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.
- J. H. PAYNE**, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester, Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.
- D. E. SILK**, The Aviaris, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.
- JAMES STANGER**, 59, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham, A.V., Spl. Nor. and Cr.
- HENRY TAMS**, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years' Breeder and Exhibitor.
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- J. TAYLOR**, 36, Arxville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford. Judge of Canaries. Specialist Yorkshires and Norwich. Terms on application.
- W. VARDY**, The Aviaris, Incknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.
- J. WALSH**, Pheasant Aviaris, Blackburn. Judge Cage Birds, all varieties; specialist British, Foreign, Mules, and Hybrids.
- J. WILCOCK**, The Pountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties.
- C. WILSON**, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.
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Twitterings.

Mr. Horatio Hill, Settle Terrace, Bradford, writes that after Oct. 5 his address will be 3, Thornton road, Thornton, Bradford.

The dates of the show of the Salo C.B.S. are Nov. 27-28, not Nov. 23-29, as stated in our last issue in the letter from Mr. H. Whitney, asst. sec.

I was very pleased to see in CAGE BIRDS that our great Scottish National New Year Show is to be held, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, the hon. sec. of the Border Fancy C.C.

As I have had a few applications for schedules of Loanhead and District C.B.S. Show, writes Mr. W. B. Smart, Hon. Sec., would you announce that it is a Members' Club Show.

Will members of the Porth and Rhondda Valley C. and C.B.S. and others note that my address in future is c/o Mrs. Davies, The Aviaris, 66, Pontypridd-road, Porth, writes Mr. J. S. Jones, Sec.

We should be greatly obliged if you would kindly notify in your next issue that our show is only open to those exhibitors who will bring their exhibits to the show and take them away after, writes Mr. T. J. Hose, Hon. Sec. Clapham C.B.A.

In place of the open show for 1914, which I am sorry to state is cancelled, the Coventry Godiva C.B.S. is holding a members' show on the same date, Oct. 24, when we hope to have a good master of birds on view.—H. Saunders, Hon. Sec.

EXHIBITORS: SUPPORT THE SHOWS.

Remember that the societies are doing their best under circumstances of unusual difficulty to help fanciers and the Fancy.

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We are informed that the following societies have abandoned their proposed open shows for 1914: Cowdenbeath C.B.S., Buckhaven C.B.S., Kidwelly P.P. and C.B.S., Norwich Alliance C.B.A., Coventry Godiva C.B.S., Border City (Carlisle) O.S.

Mr. Martin Cook, Hon. Sec., Boscombe Fanciers' Association, having resigned through over pressure of business, all communications for the society in future should be addressed to his successor, Mr. E. T. Hames, "Fairholme," 30, South Road, Bournemouth.

The West Stanley C.B.S. holds a Table Show to-day (Sat., Oct. 3) in the Commercial Hotel, writes Mr. W. Elliott, the sec., and the monthly meeting will be held same night. Will all intending members please attend, as this is the last meeting before annual show.

Owing to the secretary of the Bradford West C.B.A., Mr. W. H. Kilburn, having been called up to serve his country, the duties of secretary have been taken over by Mr. F. P. Terry, 180, Lumb Lane, Bradford, to whom all communications for the society should be addressed.

We are open, writes Mr. Geo. Burton, sec. pro tem, Southern Border Fancy Club, 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E., to give our patronage to two London and two Provincial societies who will give us a fair classification, as we do not want to drop all competition this season, in spite of the unsettled state of things.

We are pleased to hear from Mr. S. Wilcock, hon. sec. Eccleshill C.B.A., that the society is holding its shows as originally arranged. The three shows yet to be held are fixed for Oct. 17, Nov. 21, and Dec. 19, and at each there are 12 Yorks classes (6 novice), and 6 Norwich. Mr. Wilcock's address is 6, Back Manor Street, Eccleshill, Bradford.

Bradford East open show Oct. 10 has been granted the patronage of the Cinnamon-marked Y.C.C. The numbers of the added classes will be 30, 31, 32 and 33. Will fanciers please note this and let us have as good a show as possible in the present crisis? writes Mr. Wm. Cruise, Sec., 104, Gaythorne-road, West Bowling, Bradford.

An invitation is given to all fanciers of Boscombe and District to attend the meeting of the Boscombe and District C.B.A., held at the Railway Hotel, Holdenhrst Road, on Oct. 13, at 8, writes Mr. E. T. Hames, Hon. Sec. All members joining on this night will be able to show at our members' show in November; there will be 26 classes and good specials. We intended running our second open show this year, but owing to the national crisis find it impossible, local halls being booked on behalf of the Government. This society will in future be known as the "Boscombe and Dist. Fanciers' Association."

Spangles of "Silver and Gold." The "Toronto Sunday World," of Sept. 6, tells its readers that the Lizard Canary "is spangled all over the breast, shoulders, and back, with spots of silver and gold."

A Message from the Front. Am glad to let you know that I am quite well, writes Mr. "Bob" Orton (corporal, R.A.M.C., British Expeditionary Force), and am hoping still to see many more fine specimens illustrated in CAGE BIRDS, three numbers of which I have beside me. My wife will show my favourites, the "wee gems," for me in this my second season.

Fancier's Son Saved. Mr. C. Cattell, the Yorkshire enthusiast, of Wingrove Road, Newcastle-on-Tyne, had a son on the H.M.S. Hogue, one of the three cruisers recently torpedoed by the German submarines off the Hook of Holland. Fortunately he was one of the saved, but Mr. and Mrs. Cattell endured many hours of great suspense and anxiety till they got his wire to say he was safe. They wish to thank all who have made kindly enquiries, as it is impossible to write to everyone.

New Secretary for Richmond C.B.S. Mr. Nicholls having resigned the secretaryship of the Richmond and District (Surrey) C.B.S., I have been elected to fill the vacancy, writes Mr. S. Birch, and I trust that the present members and other fanciers in this district will rally round the club and make it a success. We have solid silver cups in competition. An extra special general meeting will be held Oct. 26 re annual show, at St. John's Hall, Richmond. All communications in future should be addressed to S. Birch, Bonner Hill Stores, Bonner Hill-road, Kingston-on-Thames.

OBITUARY.

MR. JAMES HOGG (Oakley, Fife). The death of Mr. James Hogg, Postmaster and General Merchant, Oakley, or as he was familiarly called "Jimmy" Hogg, will come to many as a great shock. He has been ailing for the last two years, but latterly he seemed to have got over his trouble, and was as spry and cheerful as ever. He could not be present at the National Derby at Glasgow as he had an attack of sciatica. Though in bed with this he was quite cheerful, and fully expected to be going about in a few days' time, but alas, on Wednesday last he took a slight shivering, and in a few minutes his spirit had fled. The Scottish Fancy is greatly the loser by his death. His was one of those genial natures, the most sociable, kind-hearted of men, and he was ever held in high esteem. His knowledge of his favourite, the Scotch Fancy Canary, was second to none, and for over 30 years he has been in great request as a judge at the principal shows in Scotland, where his judgments were always well received. By his demise one of the most prominent figures in the Cage Bird Fancy of Scotland has passed away. He was a member of various public bodies, member of the School Board for 24 years, and was chairman at the time of his death, Parish Councillor and Governor under the Culross Educational Trust, and President of the "Scotch Fancy National Derby" for some years. He is survived by a widow, a son, and two daughters. I am sure, writes Mr. Jas. F. Dewar, who sends these notes, that your readers will join with me in offering them our sincere sympathy. His funeral took place on Sept. 26, and was attended by many fanciers who had come long distances to pay their respects to their late comrade.

MR. JOHN BROWN, Edinburgh.

It is, with deep regret, writes Mr. Jas. Winter, that I have to announce the death of one of Scotland's oldest and most respected fanciers in the person of Mr. John Brown, of Edinburgh, which occurred at his native town, Auchterarder, on Sept. 25, after a long and serious illness. John, as he was popularly called, fell into bad health three years ago, but throughout all the pain he suffered he remained his bright and cheerful self until the end. His was a somewhat complex nature. Without venge, he always spoke his mind, but beneath the exterior lay a heart of pure gold. He was always ready to do a kindly action, and many were the fanciers who were proud to call him friend. His record as an exhibitor was as honourable as it was lengthy. He first exhibited at Auchterarder when he was a boy of 14 years, and pursued his hobby untiringly up to the end,

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his last show being Bathgate of this year. During the 55 years he won honours at all the principal shows in the United Kingdom, and as he travelled along with his birds he was a well-known figure, and loved by all. He always held a strong hand in Britishers, especially large Softbills and Bullfinches, and as a judge he was in great demand, owing to his strict integrity, and a terror to evil-doers. His memory will live long in the hearts of his many friends in the cage bird fancy.

His remains were followed to their last resting place in Newington Cemetery, Edinburgh, on Sept. 23, by a goodly number of fanciers. Our old friend John was truly a rough diamond of great worth, and the whole Fancy will assuredly extend to his sorrowing widow and family heartfelt sympathy.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Oct. 15, Strathblane Hall, "The Plough." Clapham Junction; judges, J. Robson, A. Silver. 50 classes: Nor. 8 (4 Nov.); Yorks, 10 (5 Nov.); Bord., 9 (4 Nov.); Nov., Crest, or C.B., 1; Sell., 2; Mules, 3; Brit., 11; For., 6. Fee, 2s. first entry, 1s. after. Prizes on sliding scale. Ent. close Oct. 8, to T. J. Hose, 5, Wells Crescent, Camberwell. Birds to be personally delivered Oct. 14 by 9 p.m.

LIVERPOOL O.S.—Oct. 23-24, St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road, Hawley Street entrance; judges, Messrs. Mundell and Cowgill, Yorks.; J. C. Barnes, Nor.; A. Wellings, Liz.; C. Houlton, Brit. and For. 73 classes: Nov. or Amat., 12 (6 Nov. or Amat.); Nor. 10 (4 Nov. or Amat.); Green Nor., 8 (2 Nov. or Amat.); Green Bord., 4; Bord., 7 (2 Nov. or Amat.); Liz., 5; Cinn., 4; Sell., 4; Mules, 2; Brit., 8; For., 1; Gift, 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 19, or first post 20, to Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool.

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Abertillery C.B.S.

Show will be held on Wed., Oct. 21st, in the Gymnasium Hall, Judge, John Robson. Review of Schedule: Nor., 8 Champ., 3 Nov.; Yorks., 8 Champ., 3 Nov.; Border, 2 Champ., 1 Nov.; Mules and Hyb., 3; Brit., 7; A.O.V., 1; Sell., 2. For Schedules, apply: H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec., Oaklands, Top Crook Hill, Cwmillery.

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C.B.S. Open Show,

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October 23 & 24

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A chance for exhibitors. Fifth Annual Show will be held in Masonic Hall, on Saturday, Oct. 31st, 1914. Popular Judges, Cup and Medals. Schedules from: Kerr and Robertson, Secs., 15, Green Street.

The Moulting of Canaries.

One of the "Ten Minute Lectures" given at a recent meeting of the City and Suburban A.C.B.

By
F. J. MARTIN
(Battersea).

FANCIERS:—I have selected this subject for my few minutes' address, since it is one that must at the moment be uppermost in our minds. During the past months it has been a case of our birds doing their best or worst for us. Now the tables are turned, and we must do our very best for the birds, or it will be a poor season indeed.

I would impress upon you that it is better to see in the fancy paper a record in this wise: "No. 12, Jones, an exhibit grandly fed and beautifully staged," than the mere bald statement: "1st, Jones." Whoever is fortunate enough to merit the first named honour has indeed mastered the most difficult art of Canary culture.

Most of my hearers breed birds that have to be colour-fed, and no doubt they have at some time or other asked themselves what is the best vehicle they could employ to carry to the birds the pepper in the best possible manner. Most of you doubtless have concluded that egg and biscuit having answered such a good purpose during the breeding season, you will stick to the servant that has served you so well. I am not going to quarrel with you over such a decision, but I will submit an alternative that in my judgment has several advantages over the egg and biscuit.

An Expense Avoided.

Egg and biscuit at this time of year is an expensive item. It has to be made fresh daily. The preparing of such a food occupies some little time. If the usual attendant is away in the middle of the moult there is a difficulty for the family to give the colour food in the precise strength to which the birds have been accustomed; and the white of the egg does not, in my mind, take the colour as well as is desirable.

These several objections can be smashed by the aid of madeira cake. This cake is easily made, is appreciated by nearly everybody, and is certainly much cheaper weight for weight than egg and biscuit. Speaking from several years of experience I commend it to you as a cheap and sufficiently nourishing food to be used as a medium for colour-feeding Canaries. Personally, I get several made up, put them through the mill, mix the pepper, and then store in tins ready for use.

By this method the colour-food is always ready for use in perfectly equal strength, and the colour evenly distributed, and the required quantity can be given to the birds by a school lad with confidence. Should the food at any time require a little moisture, water will answer the desired purpose.

I give the pepper twice daily. With the afternoon portion I mix a little maw and gold of pleasure; this obviates the use of linseed, which I have not found Canaries to appreciate. As the birds finish their moult I discontinue the morning feed and substitute a little maw and rape.

Something for the Legs.

I do not consider any egg food in the breeding season complete without the addition of ground cuttlefish bone, nor colour food complete without carbonate of iron in the proportion of 1 oz. to a pound of pepper. Some fanciers say iron in this form delays the moult, but such a statement is as absurd as to say you are able to stop the leaves from leaving the trees in the autumn.

Additional economy can safely be secured by giving colour-food every other day until the birds are well broken into moult. When the adult birds are put up for moulting I always rub their legs with sulphur ointment; this I have found keeps their legs youthful and healthy in appearance.

Where there is a difficulty in getting birds to moult I have found spraying them daily with warm water, and giving a little syrup of buckthorn in their drinking water

to bring about the desired result. Young birds go easily into moult when the proper time arrives; this can be detected by their body becoming in appearance as if it had been sprinkled with flour.

The bath should be freely used. Adult birds, however, like Weary Willie, shun it. These should be sprayed a little every other day. It helps the birds to rid themselves of their old feathers, and prevents the new ones from becoming soiled—a very important point; for I am satisfied that where new feathers are allowed to become really soiled, no amount of washing will ever get them so nice as they would otherwise have been. Further, dirt destroys the sheen that it is so essential for a show bird of merit to carry. Type is necessary to win, but sheen I really think is more so; therefore, assist your birds in every way to get it and to keep it, so that upon visiting the shows you can spot your exhibits by the colour and polish of their jackets.

Some of you may find the family stocking getting depleted owing to the many raids you have made upon it to keep your birds going; do not be down hearted, but be determined to secure a good moult, and I am sure your birds will by their wins and sales return you the outlay with interest. I hope, friends, that perchance I have said something that may be the means of helping to secure for you a success that exceeds your expectations.



TWO BONNY YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

Wing-ticked, winner of 1st prize at Kingstown (Ireland) show for Mr. J. Keogh, of Dublin.

Clear, 1st prize in the novice section at Clapham Show, for Mr. A. Hawkins, of Battersea.

SOFT-BILLS AS CAGE BIRDS

A practical article upon the keeping of some of our most popular Soft-bills.

BY
"OLD HAND."

(Continued from page 140.)

THE best method of storing berries is to gather them ripe and dry and place in a box; then cover them with sawdust and store in a dry place. Given plenty of sand and a bath on bright days they should do fairly well if provided with a good sized cage. My cages are of the box pattern, with a door in the front at each end, three feet long, twenty inches high, and fourteen inches from back to front. I like box cages best, for they keep out the draught, and prevent cats getting at the birds.

Sand-drawers are much more convenient than putting the sand on the cage bottom, for when the birds bathe they make such a splash. Remove the drawer before the bath is put in, so that all that is spilt can run out through the opening. Replace the drawer as soon as the cage has drained, thus the sand is always dry. Thrushes and Blackbirds are best hung outside all the year round unless the weather be very severe, when they may either be covered up with an old sack or put indoors in the cool out of draught. I have a piece of corrugated iron on the tops of my cages to keep out the wet and draw an old sack over the front at night to prevent cats getting at them.

The Skylark's Grand Song.

The Skylark, although such a grand songster, is not kept nearly as much as the Thrush, possibly because its wants are slightly different. The green grass which is so essential to its welfare is rather scarce in towns, so to see or rather hear it one must journey across the country glades. In spring it is one of the first birds to sing in the morning. It will rise from the ground and commence to sing immediately. Higher and higher it will soar in small circles, singing all the time, till almost lost to sight. Down it will come, just as steadily, still singing, till within a few feet of the earth, when it suddenly ceases, and darts to the ground.

The domestic affairs of the Skylark generally commence in May, but I have found its nest during the last week in April. It is chiefly composed of grass, becoming finer towards the centre, and is always placed on the ground. Some are built under a tuft of grass, others among corn, while some are placed in a slight depression on the bare land without any protection whatever. I once found a nest over which was

built a canopy, possibly because the young rye in which it was built had been cut down. The eggs are very similar in colour to the earth, and when the nest is built on fallow land are easily overlooked. They usually number three to five, often not more than three.

The young birds are fed on insects and grubs, which are usually rather plentiful amidst the surroundings. If cage birds are wanted it is best to hand-rear, as old birds do not settle down like the former. When the feathers begin to break is the best time to take them, and as the nest is not easily removed whole place them in a box on some hay. Feed as advised for the Thrush and Blackbird. I do not give any hemp, for I think young Larks are about the biggest gluttons going. Continually feeding them on food containing hemp makes them very fat.

Love to "Hustle in Sand."

When they get a few feathers, a little grated carrot and a pinch of sand mixed with the food is very beneficial to them. The carrot helps to cleanse the liver without scouring them and the sand aids digestion. Always keep plenty of sand on the floor, as Larks do not use water in their toilet but hustle in the sand like fowls. A few cut-up worms, caterpillars and small pieces of meat should be mixed with the food, which should be made less moist as they pick up. When they feed fairly well the diet should be gradually changed to the following. One part meat meal, one part ants' eggs to four parts ground puppy biscuits, made just crumbly moist with grated raw carrot or a little water.

Do not be in too great a hurry to separate them, for they are very sulky birds by themselves, and should they show signs of this after being parted put them together again for a few days. The cock birds are usually distinguished by being the largest and boldest of the youngsters, bracing themselves up into various attitudes not noticeable in the hens. A piece of green turf should be put into the cage at least twice a week, for they enjoy picking among this, and, in fact, it almost seems a necessity to keep them in health and condition. When they are finally separated the hens may as well be liberated, for they are of little value.

The bow-fronted cage is as good as any, and into one of these each of the cock

birds should be put. The stock food now should be some good insectivorous packet food, or the following — One part meat meal, one part ants' eggs to four parts puppy biscuits or barley meal. In summer middlings may be substituted for barley meal, as this is not so fattening. Mix the required quantity crumbly moist, not too wet or the birds will leave it, as they do not like anything that sticks to the beak. Give a piece of green turf about twice a week or oftener if possible.

(To be continued.)

MORE BIRDS OF PARADISE ARRIVE.

Mr. W. Frost Makes Another Successful Trip to New Guinea and the Aru Islands!

The London Zoological Society's stock of Birds of Paradise having gradually diminished and become reduced to some four or five specimens, none of which were of species carrying the characteristic flank plumes so coveted by the plume hunters, it was thought desirable to try to obtain more specimens if possible, and with this object in view it was arranged between the Zoological Society and a few private aviculturists to send out Mr. Wilfred Frost for these and other rare birds. Mr. Frost sailed last autumn for New Guinea and the Aru Islands, where he hoped to obtain the Paradise birds, and perhaps on his way be able to arrange for some Argus Pheasants and other rare Malayan species to be secured, so that he might pick them up on the return voyage.

Killed for their Plumes.

He was very successful in Aru, where he secured a number of specimens of the greater Bird of Paradise (*Paradisca apoda*) and the King Bird of Paradise (*Cicinnurus regius*), while in South-west New Guinea he obtained the Lesser Bird of Paradise (*P. minor*). He found both the Aru species common, but the numbers of the former consist almost entirely of immature birds. It appears, as Mr. Walter Goodfellow also found, that every full-plumaged male is killed for its plumes, which are grown when it reaches some four or five years of age, and that only the young males, which commence to breed when two or three years old, are left to propagate the species.

The voyage home in a Dutch boat was not without excitement, for after the declaration of war the ship was constantly stopped by cruisers and her papers examined. The captain's intention was to proceed direct to Amsterdam, but the ship was detained at Portsmouth, and Mr. Frost allowed to disembark there with his collection. Very great difficulty was experienced in obtaining fruit for the birds on the voyage, most of it having been bought up by the ships detained in the ports, and the collection suffered in consequence. Besides Birds of Paradise, the collection contains a number of other interesting birds.—R. I. Pocock, in "The Field."

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How to Breed Mealworms?

SIR,—I should be very glad if any fancier would kindly give me a few hints on how to breed mealworms.

PETER THOMAS.

Uncommon Birds in London.

SIR,—Seeing that a correspondent mentions the Redstart and Willow Wren, I may say that I saw on Sept. 23 at mid-day a wild duck cross Church Street, Chelsea, from some gardens. It flew not more than 10ft. high. I also had a Golden Crested Wren brought to my shop on Sept. 20 by two gentlemen, who said they caught it in Kensington Gardens, and wanted a cage to put it in! These two birds may, of course, have escaped.

E. VERNUM.

Local Shows to "Keep Things Alive."

SIR,—I am very sorry so many of our open shows have been abandoned through the war crisis. I think that instead of having no show, it would be much better to have local shows with a less classification and reduced prize money, etc., exhibitors to bring their birds to the show. I am sure such shows would pay all right, and would help to keep our hobby alive. This method would at least let us know who have the best birds, which would give some satisfaction in return for the trouble and expense of maintaining one's stock. I wish CAGE BIRDS the success it so well deserves.

DAN HAMILTON.

Hamilton, N.B.

A Rustic Superstition.

Do Parent Birds "Poison" Their Young?

SIR,—I lately came across another survival of the old superstition that the parent birds will poison their young if the latter are put in a cage near the place where they were hatched. I wonder how many of your readers who have tried this method of getting young British birds reared have experienced this "poisoning"? I have had quite a number of nests reared in this way myself without any mishap whatever, and I naturally consider the story all nonsense.

The writer "R" says:—"M.S.S." brings up an old superstition that if young birds are taken and put in a cage near the place they were reared, the parent birds will seek them out, try to release them and, failing, will deliberately feed them with poisonous food, so that they die. In the most remote country places this is firmly believed, and in some cases that I know about as a lad, the young of Blackbirds, Thrushes, and Linnets so exposed were attended by the old ones until they were dead, which was in a few days after being caged. It was said the old birds used poison berries from the hedges and the yew tree."

JAS. PARSONS.

Tips on Soldering.

SIR.—In reply to Mr. Tuthill, re making wire fronts, I make all my wire fronts for the cages I have sold since I won the gold medal at the Crystal Palace for double breeders. You want a board 2ft. long by 18 inches high. Tack a strip of wood, about 1in. wide and the thickness of the punched bar, along the top of the board, and have ready a second strip about the same as the top piece. Cut the number of wires you want, all of one length. To ensure this tack temporarily the loose strip, according to the required length of wires. Then hold the wires up to the strip, and cut off with a pair of flat-nosed pliers, holding the pliers at the edge of the board; by doing this you must get them one length. Take up the strip and take two of your wires and lay each end of the board; then tack the strip tight up with the two

wires in between. Thread all the wires through the three punched bars, leaving out the door wires, also four for the fixing to cage, and for the drinking holes. Lay your front in between the strips, push the top and bottom bars close up to the strips, gauge the centre one to where you require it, and solder with broken spirits of salts with a hot iron. Put the spirits on the front with a small brush. When soldered, fit in the long wires, and those with the seed holes, and you will get a good square front quickly made. Any other question re fronts I shall be pleased to answer.

G. W. CRIPPS.

A Lark Food that Will Keep.

SIR,—Can any reader oblige me with a recipe for a staple food for Skylarks which will keep any length of time? I would like to make an ordinary biscuit-tin full, but don't know the proper ingredients to mix so as to ensure it not going bad.

W. FREEMAN.

The Suggested Welsh National Show.

SIR,—I was very pleased and interested to read the letter from Mr. Banks, Cardiff, in last week's issue of CAGE BIRDS re a suggestion of holding a national show. I think it is time that something should be done towards this end. Why should not Wales have a national show as well as England and Scotland? If we, as Welsh fanciers, put our shoulders to the wheel, we shall have one of the finest shows possible. I hope that this opportunity will not be allowed to pass.

D. JENKINS.

Grangemouth C.B.S. Proposes a Joint Local Show.

SIR,—The postponement of many shows in this district is through the military occupying of most of the suitable halls, and to a good few fanciers not being in a position to support so many fixtures this year. I am calling a meeting for Saturday, Oct. 3, at 7.30, at the Oddfellows' Hall, Falkirk, to see if three or four of the local societies cannot have a joint members' show this year (say at Falkirk, being the most central). I have written to a few societies, and most of them have offered their support, so I would like to have a good attendance of local fanciers. Falkirk and Dis. C.B.S., Grangemouth and Dis. C.B.S., and Bannockburn C.B.S. have decided to join hands in the above scheme.

JOHN WOODHOUSE.

Sec. Grangemouth C.B.S.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL."

Darvel's Club Show Will Be Held.

SIR.—A general meeting of the Darvel and District C.B.S. was held in the Town Hall on Sept. 18, and it was decided to hold the annual club show on Saturday, November 14. Any member who was not present will receive full particulars from me.

J. FAIRFUL, SEC.

Eastleigh C.B.S. Undaunted.

SIR.—At the meeting of the Eastleigh and District C.B.S., held Sept. 21, it was decided not to cancel our show fixed for Nov. 25 and 26. It was pointed out that we stand in a good central position, with the best railway service possible. It only remains for fanciers to give us a bumping entry, as we are allotting 30 per cent. of the tickets sold to the War Fund. We have a number of specials offered at present, and there is a possibility of more to come. Fanciers desiring a schedule should write, and I shall be pleased to forward one as soon as printed.

J. ALDERSLADE.

64, Desboro' Road,
Eastleigh.

Cumnock C.B.S. to Help the Relief Fund.

SIR.—At the meeting of the Cumnock C.B.S. held on Sept. 26 at the Town Hall, Anchinleck, Mr. J. Hailey in the chair, and a large attendance, among which were a few new members, the first business was the consideration of the wisdom of holding show under present war crisis, but after consideration of circumstances and means at our disposal, it was carried unanimously to go on with show and give the surplus of same to the Relief Fund. Mr. Andrew Wilson was elected vice-president in the place of the late respected vice, Mr. Arthur Tannoch. The other business in connection with show, viz., the fixing of stewards, sub-committee, doorkeepers, etc., was carried through and a pleasant meeting broke up with a vote of thanks to chair. As this is our last meeting

Cowdenbeath decides on a Club Show.

SIR,—At a special meeting we decided to postpone our annual open show arranged for Nov. 21, and to have our club show on the same date, when all cups will be competed for. Only members within the local cup radius eligible to compete. Next meeting Oct. 3, Waverley Rooms, 6. Classification for club show.

A. ROBERTSON, HON. SEC.

An English Fancier Honoured in South Africa.

SIR,—Enclosed I beg to hand you copy of a resolution which was passed in South Africa, and has been sent home to my son, who is in England for a holiday. My son takes a very keen interest in the Fancy in South Africa, as he did in England before he went out there.

Bodmin.

S. TICKELL.

SOUTH AFRICAN CAGE BIRD CLUB.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee held at the R.S.T. Stores, Johannesburg, on June 29, 1914, the Hon. Treas., Mr. W. G. Tickell, tendered his resignation on account of leaving for England. It was carried unanimously: "That a hearty vote of thanks be given to Mr. Tickell for the able and unstinted manner in which he has performed the duties of Hon. Treas. to the Club, and also to wish him bon voyage and a very pleasant holiday in Europe, though we trust that Europe will not fascinate him to such an extent as to keep him there, as the Fancy in South Africa can ill afford to lose such a worker, and a conscientious and upright judge of Mr. Tickell's type."

Mr. Van Niekerk, on behalf of the Rand Poultry Club, paid tribute to the able manner in which Mr. Tickell had executed his duties as judge at the Central South African Championship Show, Johannesburg, on the 5th and 6th of June, having had the arduous duty of judging, single handed, the largest number of cage birds (viz., 264) ever staged in South Africa, to the entire satisfaction of all exhibitors, which in itself should be something to be proud of.

On behalf of the members of the South African Cage Bird Club Mr. Tickell was presented with a silver cigar case, suitably inscribed, as a token of their high esteem and great regard. Mr. Tickell, in a few well-chosen words, thanked the members, and said that during the seven years he had been with them he had the honour of judging the Central South African Show (the Crystal Palace of the country) on four occasions, and he was pleased to hear that he had given them satisfaction. The present they had given him that evening came as a great surprise, and it was one that would

always be treasured as coming from right down honest fanciers. He trusted the Club would prosper and continue still to look after the interests of the Fancy.

(Signed) WILLIAM FAIR,

Hon. Sec. S.A.C.B.C.

A Scheme for a Combined Show of Northumberland Societies.

SIR,—A meeting of the Ashington C.B.S. was held on Sept. 19, when the suggestion of a federation of local clubs for the purpose of holding an annual show was discussed, and a resolution passed to forward a rough idea of the scheme to the Fancy press which could serve as a basis for discussion for other clubs, and stimulate the idea. We could afterwards, perhaps, arrange a conference of delegates from different societies to consider the whole question. The following societies were mentioned: Blyth, Newsham, Morpeth, Choppington, Cramlington, Cambois, and Delaval, with Bedlington as a centre.

Suggestions:—1.—That the committee of management consist of one delegate elected by each society, who shall elect chairman and secretary.

2.—That each society pay an annual subscription of 5s.

3.—That the show be held on the 1st January.

4.—That societies show their birds in teams of six.

5.—That a cash special be given in each class to the society gaining highest points.

6.—That the entrance be 1s. per cage, to be paid by exhibitor; and the prize-money be 20s. per class.

7.—That each society take their own entrance money, and forward to district secretary one week before the show.

8.—That judges be elected by ballot, each society having the right of nomination.

Assuming that six societies joined the federation, take as example, say, Class I., yellow Norwich. Under the suggested rules, each society showing a team of six birds, an entry of thirty-six at 1s. would mean 36s. per class, and, allowing for general expenses and cash specials, prize-money of £1 per class could be paid. A show organised on the above or similar suggestions would be a great success not only from the number of entries, but also from the interest which it would create by one club competing with others for special prizes and for the honour of scoring the greatest number of points for the club and the district which it would represent. A great saving would also be effected in printing and advertising and postage, as each club affiliated would supply the schedules to its own members and arrange the entries for its own district.—Signed on behalf of the Ashington C.B.S.,

JOS. MILES,

THOS. THOMPSON.

In existing circumstances the undertaking is as gigantic as it is generous, and exhibitors should endeavour to make the show a huge success, with the view of benefiting the funds of the Red Cross Society, and at the same time as an appreciation of the public spirit of the three associations who are making themselves responsible for the show. Provincial exhibitors should not hesitate to send their most valuable exhibits, as arrangements will be made to collect the birds by special vans before the show, and to deliver them afterwards at the various railway termini.

Prospective exhibitors would greatly assist the management by sending a postcard to the undersigned for schedule, which will be ready shortly, 64, Chaplin-road, Wembley, Middlesex.

F. KNIGHT (Press Corresp.).

Clapham's Forthcoming Show.

SIR,—The Clapham and District C.B.A. Show, on Thursday, Oct. 15, is open to all fanciers who will deliver their birds to the show and take them away afterwards. Schedules can be obtained of Mr. T. J. Hose, 5, Wells-crescent, Camberwell. There are about 50 classes. Immediately after judging the show will be open to the public. The hall is the Strathblane Hall, Plough Hotel, Clapham Junction, and as the printing expenses have proved to be unexpectedly high we can only hope for a good gate.

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ALL PROFITS TO THE BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

We have received the appended communications from the secretaries of the N.B.B. and M.C. (Mr. Carr) and the F.B.E.L. (Mr. Silver), conveying the decision of their clubs to join with the L.C.B.A. in the holding of the Horticultural Hall Exhibition on Nov. 26, 27 and 28. We are sure that fanciers throughout the British Isles will learn the news with considerable satisfaction and congratulate the societies concerned on the plucky attitude they have taken up, also, what is of even greater importance, support them generously with entries when the time comes round.

Mr. Allen Silver writes:—"Although it has been found inadvisable to maintain the very exhaustive classification that you were good enough to publish for the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League early in the year, the League has made arrangements for, considering all things, a fairly exhaustive collection of classes, and it is to be hoped that the number of entries will be a large one. Keepers of foreign birds are asked to do all they can to support this fixture, because the L.C.B.A., N.B.B. and M.C., and the League have agreed to derive no pecuniary benefit from the show in the event of a profit, but to hand all proceeds, over and above working expenses, to the funds of the British Red Cross Society. Schedules and entry forms will be available on or about November 1st, and I shall be only too pleased to furnish anyone with particulars regarding the exhibition, which, all being well, will take place on November 26, 27, and 28 at the Horticultural Hall.

Country exhibitors need have no fear with regard to sending their birds (provided there is at the time no general disorganisation of traffic), because special arrangements have been made to collect and despatch birds at the several London termini. The address of the show manager (from whom schedules, etc., will be obtainable) will appear later in the show advertisement columns of CAGE BIRDS.

The League appeals to everyone who keeps foreign birds to send as many as they can, because every bird entered or sold will be something on the way to a profit, and as this joint arrangement has been made possible in the interests of the Fancy, the Fancy, it is hoped, will come forward in an enthusiastic manner and make the project a success. Then it will be possible for the bird-keepers of Great Britain to say that whilst sustaining the interest in their own hobby during trying

time, at the same time they carried out their programme with a worthy object in view. I may add that those societies who have obtained the League's patronage, and who are still holding open fixtures may conclude that the patronage still holds good.—A. Silver (Hon. Sec. F.B.E.L.), 303, High Road, Streatham."

Mr. Carr also sends a stirring appeal on behalf of the N.B.B. and M.C., and gives similar details to Mr. Silver, and the latter we have not thought it necessary to repeat. He adds:—"The very exhaustive classification we had previously proposed to give would, under the circumstances, stand but little chance of filling, so the N.B.B. and M.C. have provided a smaller one, which, however, lays claim to being fair in arrangement and pretty extensive. As these classes are open to all, and conditions still apply, our esteemed Hon. Treasurer, Mr. T. R. Trower, has decided to allow his original offer to stand, viz., 5s. for the most entries in each class for a member or non-member, and a silver medal in each class for the most points. If a non-member of the Club gains most points the exhibitor can take the same by becoming a member of the club.

The club hopes that all who exhibit British birds will make this section a success by entering as many birds as they can. This will be one of few great open events that may stand good this year, and as it is being held not only for the benefit of fanciers who have moulted and prepared birds, but also for a good cause, may I count upon the support of the British bird-keepers of Great Britain. Everyone cannot make a big entry, but every entry counts, and every sale counts, and if the enthusiasm of the Fancy is equal to the occasion, there is no reason why the funds of a deserving object should not be considerably helped.—J. P. Carr, Hon. Sec. N.B.B. and M.C., 45, Overdale Road, South Ealing."

The full classifications considerations of space prevent our publishing; they will be found, of course, in the schedules issued in a few weeks' time. Briefly the N.B.B. and M.C. offers 22 classes for British birds (13 for seed-eaters, 8 softbills, 1 albino), 1 Continental class and 10 for Hybrids, including a matched pair class. The F.B.E.L. offers 31 classes, covering 10 for Parrots and Parakeets, 11 for Finches and other seed-eaters, 8 for softbills, 1 Doves, Quails, etc., and 1 Albinos and Hybrids.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

Meeting, Village School Room, Alexandria, Sept. 22. Mr. A. W. Donaldson, chair. The principal item of interest was the intimation that the hall engaged for Annual Show had been commandeered by the military authorities. A general discussion having taken place, it was brought out that nearly every hall was in the same position, however, the final agreement was that if any suitable premises can be had the show should go on, and a strong committee was appointed to go thoroughly into the matter and report same at next meeting.—A. H. McLean, Sec.

PORTH & RHONDDA VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Sept. 26, at Headquarters, a poor attendance; Mr. Legg in the chair. It was regretted that more members were not present, as it seems a pity for a paper such as Mr. Legg's to be read before a poor attendance. After business Mr. T. James was asked to take the chair, and Mr. Legg gave his most helpful and instructive lecture on British birds and the effect sunflower seed has on same. He also gave many other useful hints, but as time was getting on we had to draw the meeting to a close with a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Legg for the way he gave his lecture. Next meeting October 10, at Headquarters, when Mr. Challenger will give a lecture on Yorkshires. All members are requested to attend, as subs. are due.—J. S. Jones, Sec.

[Mr. Legg's lecture will appear in a later issue.—Editor "C.B."]

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting Sept. 28, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, Mr. W. A. Shepherd chair, and 25 members present. The chairman announced that Mr. V. Wynn, our popular sec., was enjoying a fortnight's holiday in the North of England and Scotland. A judging competition in Norwich Plainheads was the feature of the evening, members staging 27 birds in two classes, 12 yellow and 15 buff, and quality was above the average, which augurs well for keen competition at our annual show in November. Mr. G. Gardner acted as final judge, and evidently gave satisfac-

tion, as our expert critics did not question his placing the awards. The judge fully explained his reasons for placing the various birds, and impressed on members breeding for exhibition the necessity of persevering to eradicate little faults. Members accorded Mr. Gardner a very hearty vote of thanks for acting as judge, and also for his very instructive remarks.—F. Thynne, Asst. Hon. Sec.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.C.

Meeting Sept. 26, Mr. George Wareing chair, and a good number in attendance. Decided to hold the annual contest on Nov. 27 and 28 at the Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester. Classes: Champ. Young Birds, Nov. Young Birds, Open Champion. Amateur and £2 Limit will be provided. Messrs. Wareing, Massey, Kelsaw, and Tomlinson were elected judges. Owing to some of the shows not taking place this season the points competition will be withdrawn. The feeling of the meeting was totally against the judges' names and the classes they were to take being printed in the schedule.—A. Percival, Hon. Sec.

BUCKHAVEN C.B.S.

Owing to the Society having reluctantly to abandon their annual open show on account of all the halls being taken up by Territorials, the annual general meeting took place on Sept. 19. Our worthy President, Mr. A. Peters, resigned office (owing to indisposition). Mr. W. Foster (late Sec.) was elected in his room, with George Paterson, 20, Taylor's Buildings, Wellesley Road, Methil, as Sec.; other office-bearers re-elected. If a suitable hall can be got a club show will be held on an extensive scale early in the New Year. The open show of 1915 will in all probability be held on Oct. 30. Seeing we claim to be the premier society in the County, neighbouring societies are requested to note date.—Geo. Paterson, Sec.

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CODNOR PK. & EASTWOOD C.B.S.

Meeting, Portland Arms, Jacksdale, Sept. 26, when a good number turned up and business was got through in fine style. Mr. L. Parsons and Mr. P. Potts were selected as stewards for the open show. It was decided that each member should receive a special on points for the open show and that members must pay their subscription at next meeting, Oct. 10, at Eastwood, to compete for same.

NORTHAMPTON GOOD INTENT P. & F.S.S.

Special meeting Sept. 7 to consider the advisability of holding the All England show, announced to be held in the Jubilee Hall, Franklin's Gardens, Oct. 7. The members felt it would be unwise to hold the show as arranged, but decided to hold one on a smaller scale one month later, in the old Odd-fellows' Hall, Nov. 4 and 5. Any tickets distributed for the show previously announced will be available for the one now arranged.—G. Hobbs, Treasurer and Collector.

REDCAR C.B.S.

Meeting Crown and Anchor, Sept. 23. Mr. Bray presided over a good muster. Decided to hold a young stock show Oct. 10, at the Crown and Anchor, and the following classes were fixed: Champion Yorks. Yellow, Buff, and Marked or Variegated Yellow or Buff, Novice Yorks. ditto, Norwich Yellow, Buff, A.O.V. Canary, Mule or Hybrid, Linnet, Goldfinch, and A.O.V. British, and we hope to have a good show. Will those members who are behind with their subs. please settle before the show according to rule.—C. L. Mallory, Sec.

BORDER FANCY C.C.

Will members note that Mr. D. Jenkins, 71, Argyle Street, Swansea, is now a member? Most of the club lists were out before I got Mr. Jenkins, so will members please fill in his address in their list. I hope they will not forget with entries the L.C.B.A. Show, which has the patronage of the club. I should also like to draw attention to a mistake of my own in not forwarding Mr. W. Hy. Wright, 35, London Road, Carlisle, whom I trust members will add to any lists sent out without him. As an encouragement to Haddington for carrying on their open show the club has granted them a novice medal. Any society who intends holding its open show, and which has not already been granted a novice medal, should now send in an application. The meaning of novice under B.F.C.C. rules is one who has never won a medal.—W. B. Smart, hon. sec.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie-road, Sept. 15, with a good turn-out. President, Mr. A. W. Watson, gave report as delegate to the West of Fife League, in connection with the travelling facilities of birds during the show season, which was highly satisfactory. Sec. gave report of F.F. show held Aug. 1, showing a balance of about 13s., which was quite satisfactory. Annual show business then came up for discussion. It was agreed that we ask the Leith Printing Co. for estimates for classification forms and catalogues, the same firm to supply posters and prize cards. Sec. was instructed to write sec. of Edinburgh Western O.S. re use of staging, and terms of hire for same. Classification for table show Oct. 20 came up for discussion. It was agreed that we have the following classes: Norwich, 2 colour-fed and 2 non-fed; Crest or C.B., 1; Bord., 3; Scotch Fancy, 2; A.O.V., 1; Mule or Hybrid, 1. Fee, 2d. per bird.—J. Charlton, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Meeting Sept. 26, Plummet Line Hotel. Mr. R. E. Helliwell gave an exhibition of washing before an interested company to the number of about forty. After he had put a couple through the tub, and explained his method, four of the novices present had a competition amongst themselves for a silver medal, kindly given by the President, Mr. F. Townsend; Mr. H. Crossley won. Mr. F. Lee proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Helliwell for his demonstration, and was glad to see some of the raw novices present, several of whom said they had not seen a Canary washed before. Mr. Crossley thanked the donor of the medal, and said he would not be satisfied until he had won a gold one. Mr. Helliwell briefly replied, and said if anything he had done had helped anybody he was amply repaid. Will members make a special effort to be present at next meeting, Oct. 3, so that we can do something about the Open Show, which will be our twenty-fifth.—H. Clegg.

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The Shows.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Members' show, Park Chapel Schools; 68 birds faced the judge, Mr. S. Wilcock, who gave general satisfaction. A good many of the exhibits seemed to be requiring a little more time to look at their best.

YELL. (3): 1, 2, Midgley; 3, Wilkinson Bros. **BUFF** (2): 1, Northrop; 2, Midgley. **UNFLIG. YELL.** (11): 1, Laycock; 2, vhc, Wilkinson Bros.; 3, hc, Farrar; 4, c, Cruise. **BUFF** (5): 1, Laycock; 2, Farrar; 3, vhc, Northrop; 4, Birbeck. **EVEN, ETC.** (3): 1, Wilkinson Bros.; 2, Northrop; 3, Farrar. **HEN** (4): 1, Cruise; 2, Northrop; 3, Farrar; 4, Birbeck. **BUFF** (8): 1, Farrar; 2, 4, Wilkinson Bros.; 3, vhc, Laycock; hc, Northrop; c, Midgley. **EVEN, ETC.** (2): 1, 2, Farrar. **YELL. NOV.** (2): 1, Walker; 2, Wilkinson and Son. **BUFF** (3): 1, 2, 3, Wilkinson and Son. **UNFLIG. YELL.** (2): 1, Bonsfield; 2, Taylor Bros. **UNFLIG. BUFF** (4): 1, 2, Wheelwright; 3, Wilkinson and Son; 4, Wroe. **EVEN, ETC.** (5): 1, 3, 4, Bonsfield; 2, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Spencer. **YELL. HEN** (5): 1, Spencer; 2, 4, Wroe; 3, Bonsfield; vhc, Walker. **BUFF** (2): 1, Taylor Bros.; 2, Walker. **EVEN, ETC.** **HEN** (3): 1, Wroe; 2, Wilkinson and Son; 3, Wheelwright. **SELL:** 1, Midgley. **SELL. HEN** (2): 1, Birbeck; 2, Midgley.—W. Cruise, Sec.

Shows Continued overleaf.

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WANSTEAD F. AND F.S.

Young stock show, Sept. 17. Mr. Dalton judged. CHAMP. NOR.: 1, sp., 2, 3, 4. TAYLOR. YORKS.: 1, 2, King. YORKS. VARIÉG.: 1, 2, King. NOR. VARIÉG.: 1, 2, 3, Taylor. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Taylor. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, Marsh. YORKS.: 1, 2, 3, Purday. CREST: 1, Pike. GOLDF. or LINNET: 1, 2, Pike. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Pike. Annual show is fixed for Nov. 19.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.

Members' show, held at the Granby Hotel, Sept. 26; 47 birds were entered; Mr. R. E. Helliwell, Halifax, judged.

CL. or TKD. YELL. YORKS. CK.: Void. BUFF: 1, Rolfe; 2, Blagbrough; 3, Allatt; 4, Hudson; vhc, Sugden; hc, Farrer; c, Fowle. MKD. YELL.: 1, Fowle; 2, Hoyle. BUFF: 1, Hoyle; 2, Sugden. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, Blagbrough; 2, Hoyle; 3, Williams; 4, Wood and Sharp; vhc, Farrer; hc, Hudson; c, Wood and Sharp. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Williams; 2, J. and F. Haggis; 3, Allatt; 4, vhc, Rolfe; hc, Hoyle; c, Sugden. BUFF: 1, vhc, Anbler; 2, Wood and Sharp; 3, hc, Fowle; 4, J. and F. Haggis; c, Blagbrough. MKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Hudson; 2, Blagbrough; 3, Hoyle; 4, Sugden. BUFF: 1, Hoyle; 2, 4, Allatt; 3, vhc, Hudson.—Wm. Jagger, Sec.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

Members' Show, Sept. 26, King Cross Band Room, King Cross, Halifax. Mr. C. Pickup, St. Horton, judged, there being an entry of 43 birds, including some good specimens which should be heard of again at the open shows. The awards were satisfactory to all. OPEN. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, Stobart. BUFF: 1, Savile. UNFLI. YORKS. CK.: 1, Savile; 2, Lumb; 3, Stobart; 4, Priestley. YELL. HEN: 1, Savile; 2, Priestley; 3, 4, Lumb; vhc, Stobart. BUFF: 1, Priestley; 2, Stobart; 3, Sutcliffe. EVEN, ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, Savile; 2, Priestley. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, Gelder; 2, Holroyd. BUFF: 1, Senior; 2, Mitchell; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; 4, Johnson. UNFLI. YORKS. CK.: 1, 4, Gelder; 2, Mitchell; 3, Senior; vhc, Johnson; hc, Crowther; c, Sladdin and Baldwin. YELL. YORKS. HEN: 1, Mitchell; 2, Gelder; 3, Senior. BUFF: 1, Senior; 2, Mitchell. EVEN, ETC., YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, Corney; 2, Johnson. BUFF: 1, Holroyd. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Corney. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Corney.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

TONG C.B.S.

Members' Show, Sept. 26, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. 71 birds were judged, to the satisfaction of all, by Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Gillington. CHAMP., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, Gledhill; 2, Casey; 3, Atkinson and Firth; 4, Hodgson, jun. BUFF (10): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Pacey; 3, Padgett; 4, McLaughlin. MKD. (7): 1, 4, Gledhill; 2, Hodgson, jun.; 3, Pacey. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Gledhill; 3, Bedford; 4, Pacey. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 4, Casey; 2, Pacey; 3, McLaughlin. BUFF (5): 1, Bedford; 2, Ramsbottom; 3, Atkinson and Firth; 4, McLaughlin. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (2): 1, Russell; 2, Aspden Bros. BUFF (5): 1, Wardman; 2, Holt Bros.; 3, Jowett and Robertshaw; 4, Naylor. MKD. (5): 1, 2, 3, Russell; 4, Naylor. UNFLIG. (5): 1, 3, Jowett and Robertshaw; 2, Aspden Bros.; 4, Wardman. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 2, Jowett and Robertshaw; 3, Holt Bros.; 4, Aspden Bros. BUFF (8): 1, Russell; 2, Jowett and Robertshaw; 3, Naylor; 4, Aspden Bros. MKD. HEN: 1, Jowett and Robertshaw.—W. Walker, Sec.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.

Third Members' Show of season, Sept. 26, Flying Dutchman. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judged the 75 birds staged, and gave every satisfaction.

OPEN YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Smith; 2, Horsfield; 3, Hunter. BUFF (5): 1, Elsegood; 2, 3, Helliwell; 4, vhc, Horsfield. A.O.V. (7): 1, Elsegood; 2, c, Morement; 3, vhc, Smith; 4, Horsfield; hc, Helliwell. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Elsegood; 2, Smith; 3, Horsfield. BUFF (5): 1, vhc, Elsegood; 2, 4, Helliwell; 3, Smith. A.O.V. HEN (5): 1, Helliwell; 2, 4, Horsfield; 3, vhc, Morement. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Symes; 2, Bower; 3, Woad; 4, vhc, Simonett. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Bolton and Lunn; 2, Symes; 4, Woad; vhc, Simonett. A.O.V. (1): 1, Pyrah. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (2): 1, 2, Symes. BUFF (7): 1, Bolton and Lunn; 2, vhc, Symes; 3, Woad; 4, Bower; hc, Pyrah. A.O.V. (4): 1, Symes; 2, Woad; 3, Bolton and Lunn; 4, Pyrah. OPEN NOR., CL. OR TKD. CK. (4): 1, 2, Airlon; 3, 4, Plowright. A.O.V. (1): 1, Plowright. UNFLI. CK. (4): 1, 4, Plowright; 2, 3, Airlon. UNFLI. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Plowright. NOV., CL. OR TKD. CK. (1): 1, Simonett. UNFLI. (4): 1, Simonett; 2, Kaberry; 3, Betts.

Questions and Answers.**DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS**

For Rules, see last week's E issue.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CURE FOR DIARRHOEA (E.V.).—(1) Keep floors and perches as clean as possible, and to assist in attaining this object strew the floors well with clean pine sawdust for the present. Stop all green food, and cut all linseed out of the dietary until the looseness is removed. Give a staple of three parts canary to one part summer rape, and in addition give half a teaspoonful per bird daily of a mixture of equal parts broken groats, crushed arrowroot biscuit and maw seed. A piece of banana may be given three times as a substitute for green food. In the water give as much Epsom salts as will cover a threepenny-piece for one day only, and after this give daily four drops each of tincture of gentian, tinct. of opium, and dilute sulphuric acid until the droppings resume a normal consistency. (2) Treat the hen that has a difficulty in breaking away into the moult to a vapour bath, and treat generally the same as advised to "Stanley (3)" in last week's issue.

A TAIL WAGGER (Villager).—Beyond saying that the tail is always on the move you give no symptoms to lead one to form an opinion as to what is wrong. Does the tail move in unison with the breathing, or is it a kind of jerky movement at intervals? And is there any difficulty of breathing? Try the following, and if the bird is not well in a fortnight, write again and give full particulars of all symptoms shown, and say how you feed and where you keep it. See that it is free from cold draughts, and extreme, rapid fluctuations of temperature. In addition to the usual seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every second day, and on the alternate days a spray of watercress or some other green salad. In the drinking water add a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea and ten drops of lemon juice for three consecutive days, and after this give instead 20 drops of whisky, five each of oxymel of squills and ipecacuanha wine, and two of eucalyptus oil, well shaken together, every second day for the remainder of the fortnight.

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Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge St., Sept. 26, for 4 minutes time singing: 1, Nelson; 2, Wainwright; 3, Morley.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club quality singing match, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds, Sept. 27; 17 competed. The judges had no difficulty in finding the winner, M. Brophy's bird, being a young bird, has the making of a champion. 1, 2, Brophy; 3, Playforth. Judges, E. Wood and J. Smith.—Alf. Lorrman, Sec.

Quality singing contests, Skinners' Arms, Buntingthorpe; 19 sang for 3 prizes. 1, Binus; 2, Ward; 3, King. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Quality Linnet contest Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Sept. 26; 20 birds sang for four prizes. 1, Johnson; 2, Richardson; 3, 4, Brophy. Judges, Clark, Wigfield, and Bott. Sept. 27, 18 birds sang for three prizes. 1, Johnson; 2, Stead; 3, Richardson. Judges, A. Jennings, S. Hardcastle.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

pinch of canary daily, and a little egg food twice a week, and a scrap of green food on the days when egg is not given.

SEEDS EXAMINED (T.O.H.).—The canary seed is very small in size, appears as though the bulk from which it came is very dusty, and it is also musty, and a very undesirable seed for feeding Canaries. The rape appears a nice sample of summer rape, of good quality, but it has the appearance of being a little infested with mites, and there is also the characteristic odour of these mites perceptible when the seed is rubbed between the fingers. I should regard it with suspicion. The niger is a nice clean sample, of good average quality. The maw also is of good quality. Considering that the two first-named seeds form the bulk of the birds' diet it is not improbable that they have something to do with your losses, and you would do well to make a change at once; of the canary seed in particular.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

MOPING AND NOT MOULTING (Grocer).—If the bird was bred in 1913 it would be quite natural for her not to shed any tail or flight feathers at the last moult. Cage her separately, give three vapour baths, with an interval of four days between each, and otherwise treat her the same as advised to "A.V.D." in last week's issue. In that issue you will also find details for giving vapour baths mentioned in reply to "Stanley (3)."

A TRIO (S.A.M.J.).—(1) No it will not harm the birds to put them in a sunny position for a time in the afternoon, and then return them to a cool room at night. It is not wise, however, to expose them to the full power of the sun for any great length of time on very warm days. (2) I would not advise covering the backs of the cages with serge, as it would afford too secure a harbour for red mites. If the room is free from draught and damp, no such cover is at all necessary. A light muslin or linen cover thrown over the cages at night in very severe weather in winter would do no harm, but is not really essential. This can be easily doused into boiling water in the morning now and again as an effectual means of destroying any stray mite that may be present and take refuge upon it after the night's foray. A mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, black rape, linseed, and broken groats, will serve the purpose you wish in very cold weather. Give a small teaspoonful per bird two or three times a week. (3) Crested birds are themselves not wholly free from the habit of pulling each other's crests, though they may, perhaps, be a trifle less addicted to it than plainheaded varieties. Your best course would be to remove the Yorkshire that is the culprit.

BREEDING QUERIES (T. Sommers).—(1) No, no. It is too much like counting one's chickens before hatching to attempt to advise you as to the number of stock you will require to breed a stated number of cocks each year. It is possible to produce your desired number of ten cocks from a single pair of birds, but, mark you, it is very, very highly improbable. To stand a reasonable chance you should run two trios each of one cock and two hens. You must not overlook the fact that among the number of young you breed hens may be a very awkward problem. (2) For two trios you could manage nicely with your present stock of cages, plus a singing cage to transfer one cock to when not engaged with the hens; the centre of the three-compartment cage answering for the other. And you would want one or two flight cages for the young, and a sufficiency of smaller cages for caging the cocks separately whilst completing their tuition. (3) In case you want to train a number of birds, it is advisable to keep a tutor for singing only, though it would do no material harm to mate him for a round of young in the early part of the season. (4) I think the plan of running one cock with six hens is seriously overworking the cock, and is far less likely to be successful for any length of time. It is quite sufficient to run one cock with two hens. (5) It depends upon the position, locality, etc., of the room whether the best results are obtained from heated or cold rooms. But if you have healthy, robust birds and a room free from extreme fluctuations, damp, etc., heated rooms are neither necessary nor desirable. (6) For general detailed information you cannot do better than get "Canary Breeding for Beginners," which our Manager will send you for 7d., post free.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (H. Jones).—(1) If you introduce a hen Greenfinch into your aviary where the cock Greenfinch and the Canaries are, she will be more likely to pair with him than with any other. Cases are on record where a bird has refused to mate with one of its own kind, preferring the attentions of another species, but such doings are quite the exceptions. A house-moulted hen Goldfinch would be a very useful bird for Hybrid breeding. You should introduce her to a Linnet or Greenfinch and let them fly together during the winter months. (2) For your aviary I would advise the following: Cock birds, two Goldfinches, a Linnet and a Twita; hens, one Bullfinch, Greenfinch, Siskin, and Redpoll. You would also have room to introduce a couple of nice yellow Norwich Canary hens, which would immensely increase your chances of producing young ones; an extra hen or two would be an advantage as it is probable one or other of the British hens would not go to nest, or only in a half-hearted manner. (3) The Bullfinch hen is used more in Hybrid production than any other, and seldom refuses to nest, if properly treated, and run with a partner she takes to.

SEEDS FOR MIXED AVIARY (Redstart).—In an aviary composed of mixed birds it is a rather difficult matter to feed with a seed mixture suitable to all. The best plan is to watch the more tender subjects and feed them correctly, allowing the others to take their chance. Or if you see any signs of one of them being a bit seedy, catch him up and treat him separately for a time, until he is sufficiently recovered to return. For general use make up the following seeds: Canary 3 parts by measures, teal 2 parts, rape 1 part. Another mixture, to be given three times a week, would be the following: Hemp 3 parts, niger 2 parts, maw 1 part. In addition to this they could have a little wild seed mixture twice a week, and sunflower seeds daily. Also supply green food and bunches of seeding plants, which are just now very plentiful on all waste ground, and along the road-sides. You could collect the seed pods of many of them, lay them out to dry in the sun, or in an airy room, and store for winter use. These are very much appreciated by the birds, and are a grand pick-me-up for seedy ones.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3/4); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 25 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twita," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

BIRDS REFUSING TO BATHE (Stanley).—One occasionally gets a bird or two in a collection that never appear to be at all interested in the bathing arrangements. They are generally birds that have been frightened or are of very nervous dispositions. The most simple method is to place them in a large flight with known bathers, when they will generally follow a good example. Another way is to keep the bird in your smallest cage for a few days, and then turn him into a large one, giving a bath at once, he generally commences to straighten out his plumage and finishes up with a good dip. This change of cage should be managed if possible on a sunny day. Another method is to catch the bird, disarrange his feathers without breaking them, and give the bath when he is returned to his cage.

FEEDING A THRUSH (Claud F. Vaughan).—The Song Thrush is not a very difficult bird to keep in health and condition, if one attends to him regularly. He will exist on very simple fare, but to get the best out of him it is necessary to feed him well. The food you mention is, in my opinion, hardly nourishing enough for a staple diet, but can be given occasionally as a change. Procure some good puppy biscuits, break them up and soak in hot water or gravy; another day soak a little chicken meal (best quality) in the same way, and mix a spoonful of meat meal in with it. Buy a lb. of good insectile food and give him a feed of this about twice a week, mixing it with scraped carrot or boiled potato. Offer scraps from the table, a piece of suet pudding, lean meat, vegetables, etc. Give fruit in season, and any insect you can procure, but not too many snails, they are rather relaxing for birds in captivity. You should procure our Nutshell booklet on the Thrush, it will give you a lot more information.

BIRDS FOR AVIARY (G. C. C.).—Your out-door aviary as described would do nicely for a few birds. If you only want them as ornaments to the garden, your selection would do admirably, but if you thought of trying to breed with them next season I would advise you to have a pair of Greenfinches or Linnets in place of the Bullfinches, or you could put in a Bullfinch hen with a cock (Greenie or Linnet). The reason I suggest this is because the cock Bullfinch seldom does any good as a breeder in captivity. It is rather too late now to turn out Canaries unless you can manage to get a pair that were bred outdoors; if not, you had better wait until the spring before putting them out. The others could be put in at once, the earlier now the better.

TROUBLE WITH THRUSH (Numquam).—Your bird has evidently taken cold, which has affected his voice; in addition to this you are not treating him properly, or he would not have the growth you mention. I am sorry you did not tell me how you are feeding him. I could have then pointed out your error. Anyway, kindly read the advice given to "Claud F. Vaughan" for general treatment; but for time feed him on insectile food, and plenty of fruit. Before changing his food, give as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonfuls of water, for one day only. Make the following mixture, and put thirty drops in his drinking-water every other day for a fortnight: Equal quantities of whiskey, glycerine and fresh lemon juice. With this treatment he should soon be in good health.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BUDGERIGARS ON SHOW BENCH (W. M. S.).—The birds should be large but shapely, that is fairly slim. The colours should be pure and intense, and the markings sharply and cleanly cut. The blue and also the black spots on sides of lower face should stand out sharp and clear. It is needless to say that beak must be clean, not scaly, nor yet overgrown. Feet and claws must be perfect, and the plumage clean, silky and perfect in every respect. Providing it is not definitely stated otherwise in schedule, either a pair or a single bird can be exhibited in a cage, but if two are shown in the same cage they must be male and female. Of course if you have two birds perfect in every respect and fulfilling above conditions, then stage both of them, but it must be borne in mind that if one is faulty it penalises the other, perhaps perfect bird, in other words unless the pair are equally perfect it is better to only stage the male, though of course with such a class of Budgerigars most judges would put a perfect pair before a single bird. These are very erratic in captivity. Some pairs begin quite early in the year, almost ahead of spring, others much later—the proper breeding season in this country may be said to be from early spring to the moult. Many pairs will breed all the year round with only a short pause for the moult, but such is very exhausting.

WHAT SHALL I GET? (A.H.A.).—Zebra Finches and Budgerigars are about the most certain and regular of Foreign birds to breed, and you could not do better than begin with either a pair of Zebra Finches, or two pairs of Budgerigars, but unless you get them by advert. from some outdoor aviary where they have been out all the summer, you must not put them out till next spring. I do not consider Zebra Finches and Budgerigars would agree together for any length of time in your aviary, so you must make up your mind to keep one or the other. "Foreign Birds for Beginners," 1s. 1½d. post free, from our manager, would help you.

BLACK MYNAH (Novice).—The main dietary will be live insects, fruit and insectile mixture. You can supplement this with table scraps, cooked vegetables, boiled rice, etc., while as to insects nothing will come amiss, beetles, mealworms, flies; you can give it every garden pest it will eat. We have not yet issued any Nutshell on this species. The value is 30s. to 50s., according to condition, but clever talkers, of course, command a fancy price. They are almost as large as a Rook, but a more shapely bird, and need a cage not less than 30in. long, 15in. deep and 18in. high, and as they are large eaters the cage needs frequent attention to keep it sweet and clean. As cage birds they make nice pets and become very tame, but are mischievous, indulging in such pranks as putting their bill through a lace curtain and enjoying the tearing sound as they open their beak. They are not vicious, but of course must not be associated with small birds, and it would not be wise to let them have liberty in a room in which small birds were kept in all-wire cages.

MADAGASCAR LOVEBIRDS (A. Myers).—(1 and 2) Canary, white millet and millet sprays, with once or twice a week a few oats; green food, grit and cuttlebone. (3) The male has a green body and a grey head and neck,

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

- ALFRETON C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Red Lion Hotel, 7. Important, annual show business, Oct. 31.—G. Beardall.
- ALTRINCHAM OPEN C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Station Cafe, Altrincham, 8. General business and washing demonstration by Mr. Hickson.—C. Bailey.
- ARDWICK AND MANCHESTER C.B.A.—Oct. 6, St. Thomas Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel Street), 8. Lecture by Mr. J. W. Cutmore, Liverpool: "Pedigree Breeding and Heredity, and the Mystery of the Hybrid." Fanciers and friends welcome.—J. Spencer.
- ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.—Oct. 6, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Ordinary business. Final table show Oct. 10; birds staged 3. Judge, W. E. Blaydon.—J. Whitehead.
- ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8. Table show; arrangement for annual show.—E. Johnson.
- AYR C.B.C.—Oct. 6, Wallace Tower Hall, 7.30.—R. Aitken.
- BOLTON C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Joiners' Arms, 8.—J. Gerrard.
- BARNSELY C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Discussion of judges for members shows.—E. Toulson.
- BIRMINGHAM SOUTH O.S.—Oct. 7, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Final arrangements for young stock show, judge, specials.—J. Sheppard.
- BORDER CITY (CARLISLE) O.S.—Oct. 7, headquarters, 8. General business. New Year's show.—J. C. Bell.
- BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.—Oct. 6, New Inn, 8. Important show bus.—A. Wood.
- BOOTLE C.B.S.—Oct. 6, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, 8. Extraordinary meeting; very important.—A. E. Huyton.

the female is all green of varying shades. (4) Madagascar Lovebirds and Budgerigars will agree together in the same aviary providing the space is sufficient—you give me no idea of size of your aviary. (5) Irregular, but from early spring to late autumn. (6) A box or barrel would be the better as they carry in a lot of leaves, strips of thin bark, dry green-food, etc.—you must supply these—with which to make a nest. If the above is not clear, you must say of what you are still in doubt and give full particulars of situation and size of aviary.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

M.B.—Siskin died of pneumonia, affecting both lungs, and probably arising as the result of a chill owing to recent weather changes.

E. SOUTHWOOD.—Post-mortem examination of Linnet revealed extensive enteritis complicated with pneumonia, the result of the ingestion of ptomaine or poisonous products in some form. It is not an infectious nature, but has arisen in each case from a common cause. The intestines were most acutely inflamed along their whole extent. The causal agent must have been of a very virulent type.

J. TRINER.—The birds I examined were in first rate condition, there being no sign of disease except that the lungs were highly congested, and in one case hemorrhage had occurred as the result. The birds, in my opinion, died from fright, either by mice or by your other birds.

MISS V. F. BLANDFORD.—Acute enteritis, no liver trouble as in last case, but due in my opinion to a common cause. I do not think you will lose all your birds, but think it advisable to segregate your birds for a time; improvise another aviary or room temporarily, whilst thoroughly disinfecting your aviary. It can become contagious by contact, direct or indirect, but is not infectious. Get a fresh supply of seed, and give in the drinking-water daily for a week a few grains of sulphate of soda, followed by a course of some tonic such as infusion of gentian, five drops to each bird in drinking-water daily for another week; this may be sweetened with a little sugar or simple syrup if the birds show any disinclination for it.

MR. B. C. PAUL.—The Budgerigar died of liver disease of some standing; this organ was very much enlarged, giving a swollen appearance to the body. The generative organs were quite sound.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

J. W. Yarwood.—We will have made a reproduction of your sketch and utilise it in a future issue. Thanks for your useful letter.

Burnley.—The external appearance of the seed is good, but we do not care for the look of the kernel, which seems powdery and dry, as though artificially (kiln) dried. Try a change of seed, by all means, and see if this helps the birds.

- BOWLING B.F.A.—Oct. 6, Napoleon Hotel, 8. Important.—J. Nicholl.
- BRADFORD EAST O.S.—Oct. 6, Park Chapel Schools, 7. Taking of entries for open show up till 11. Please attend and help.—W. Cruise.
- BURNHOPE C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Coll. Inn, 7. Annual show business; very important.—J. W. Robson.
- BURNLEY O.S.—Oct. 7, Star Inn, Church Street, 7.30. Important business; classification for annual show.—T. Chadwick.
- CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Crown Hotel, 8.30. Open show bus.—J. H. Jones.
- CHELTEMHAM C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Lamb Hotel, 8. Members' show business; paper on foreign birds.—A. S. Treasure.
- CITY OF DUNDEE C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Doig's Rooms, 8. Classification for club show.—A. Law.
- CLAPHAM C.B.A.—Oct. 6, Clock House, Clapham Park Road, 8.30. Annual show business.—T. J. Hose.
- CLITHEROE C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Bennett's Tea Rooms, 8.—J. Southworth.
- CODNOR PARK AND EASTWOOD C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Open show business; members must pay their subscriptions at this meeting to enable them to compete for specials.—Smith and Lees.
- CREWE O.S.—Oct. 6, Burton Hotel, 8. General bus.—N. L. Croft.
- DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, 7. Consider alteration of show date.—Jameson and Johnson.
- DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, 8.30. Washing competition; members bring their own birds.—A. G. Cant.
- EAST HAM C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Town Hall, 8.30. General meeting; schedule for annual show. Very important.—F. Onslow.
- EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Black Swan, 7.30. General bus.—H. Cockrem.
- EASTLEIGH C.B.S.—Oct. 5, headquarters, 8. General business.—J. Alderslade.
- ECCLESHILL C.B.A.—Oct. 3, Fountain Inn, 8. General business, arranging for show (final), new member to make.—S. Wilcock.
- EDINBURGH NORTH EASTERN O.S.—Oct. 5, Regent Halls, Abbeymount, 8. Important.—R. Spence.
- FALKIRK, GRANGEMOUTH, AND BANNOCKBURN C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Oddfellows' Hall, Falkirk, 7.30. To arrange a combined show. Interested fanciers are requested to attend.—J. Woodhouse.
- GREAT HORTON GOOD INTENT O.S.—Oct. 3, Grange Schools. Members' show, birds staged by 2.30; judge, J. A. Taylor.—A. Fifth.
- GUISBROUGH PRIORY C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Weir's Rooms, 7.30. General bus.—W. Waraker.
- HALIFAX O.S.—Oct. 3, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Annual open show. Business important.—H. Clegg.
- HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, 8. Table show, and lecture by Mr. G. Gardner.—P. Brooks.
- HYSON GREEN C.B.S.—Oct. 6, headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for Oct. show.—A. E. Moulton.
- LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.—Oct. 7, Railway Hotel, 8. Rules for washing competition, etc., steward for show, and general business.—W. H. Symes.
- LEEDS C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Lockhart's (next door to Hope Bros., Briggate), 7.30. Table show of British birds, and lecture on "Preparing for Exhibition," by Mr. J. Chambers.—E. Norton.
- LEEDS ROLLER C.C.—Oct. 3, Lockhart's, 7.30. Business in connection with members' show.—H. Best.
- LEICESTER C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Hare and Pheasant, 8.30. First night show of season; Nor. Buff Cock Unflig., Open, and ditto Novice.—J. Hardbattle.
- LEICESTER HAND-IN-HAND C.B.S.—Oct. 6, White Swan, 8.30. Special show bus.—A. Freestone.
- LOANHEAD C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Final arrangements for show, specials, cup-holders return cups, entries from members.—W. B. Smart.
- LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.—Oct. 3, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse, E.C., 8. Table show and judging competition; final judge, Mr. W. Shakespeare.—W. Gilbert.
- LEITH O.S.—Oct. 10, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7. Final arrangements for show.—G. W. Brown.
- MIDDLESBRO' AND TEES-SIDE C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Important bus.—J. Swinco.
- MANNINGHAM C.B.A.—Oct. 3, headquarters, 8. Open show. Y. Union Handbook ready.—H. Grange.
- MANCHESTER AND NORTHERN COUNTIES O.S.—Oct. 5, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open show business; very important.—F. Wilkinson.
- MIDLAND COUNTIES YORKS. C.C.—Oct. 7, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, Birmingham, 7.30. Abandonment of patronage for 1914 owing to majority of Midland shows being cancelled or postponed indefinitely.—W. Wells.

- NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.C.—Oct. 7; Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, 8. Important bus.—R. Lindale.
- NORTHERN BORDER AND S.F.C.C.—Oct. 7, Pillar's Cafe, 8. Lecture by Mr. W. Espie.—M. C. Potts.
- NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.—Oct. 7, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane, 8. Important bus.—F. W. Laidlow.
- NEWSHAM C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Willow Tree Inn, 7. Business for annual show Oct. 24.—C. Snowdon.
- NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.—Oct. 7, headquarters, 8. Classifications for old show, Boxing-day.—Edgar S. Broadbent.
- NORTH MANCHESTER C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. General business for November show. Members and friends kindly attend.—A. Colley.
- OLDHAM C.B.A.—Oct. 6, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Washing exhibition.—J. Cole.
- OPENSHAW, GORTON C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Schedule, table show, judge, etc.; subs. due.—A. W. Newton.
- PERTH CITY AND COUNTY O.A.—Oct. 5, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Club show classification.—J. L. Smith.
- PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Fleece Hotel, 7.30. Lecture by Mr. R. Halliday, Shipley: "Hints to Novice Canary Fanciers." Friends cordially invited.—H. Rais-trick.
- RADCLIFFE C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8. General bus.—Geo. Lord.
- ROSENDALE C.B.S.—Oct. 6, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Lecture by W. Adams, Rochdale, on the "Advantage and System of Amalgamated Societies."—H. Wantling.
- READING C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Palmer Hall, 8. Final show arrangements.—O. C. Smith.
- ROCHDALE GOOD INTENT C.B.S.—Oct. 7, Temperance Club, 8. General meeting; will all members make an effort to attend as we are holding our show, and we want the support of all.—W. Adams.
- SOUTH-EAST LONDON F. AND F.A.—Oct. 5, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting; paying out prize-money and specials won at September show.—R. Jackson.
- SOUTHEND C.B.S.—Oct. 7, 5, Priory Avenue, Prittlewell, 7.30. Washing exhibition by Mr. Claude.—G. Deer and F. Cundy.
- SOUTH SHIELDS C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Cyprus, 7.30. Show business.—W. L. Smith.
- SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.—Oct. 5, headquarters, 8.30. Show business and discussion re purchasing of challenge cup.—W. L. Page.
- SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.—Oct. 8, Royal George, Tanner's Hill, S.E., 8. General meeting and poultry show; fanciers invited.—Geo. Burton.
- SOVERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Wharfe Hotel, 8.—G. Mitchell.
- SHIPLEY O.S.—Oct. 7, Victoria Hotel, 8. Open show bus.—E. Grange.
- SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.—Oct. 6, Liberal Club, 8. Open show business.—F. Hampshire.
- SPEN VALLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 5, Commercial Hotel, 8. Distribution of Union Handbooks, etc.—S. Grayshon.
- SHEFFIELD O.S.—Oct. 6, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Members' show bus.—E. C. Job.
- SCOTLAND GATE C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Social Club, Choppington, 7.30. General bus.—T. Rigg.
- SMALLBRIDGE C.B.S.—Oct. 6, headquarters, 8. Business important and urgent.—J. F. Cheatham.
- STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.—Oct. 5, Red Lion Hotel, 8.30. Arrangement for inter-club shows.—J. Pitchford.
- STANLEY EMPIRE F.F. AND C.B.S.—Oct. 4, 6.30. To elect sec. pro. tem., as Mr. W. Robinson, our esteemed sec., has been called up with the Yeomanry. There is other important business.—R. Peart, Chairman.
- WALSALL C.B.S.—Oct. 7, White Harte Hotel, 8.30. Annual show business; important.—F. Price.
- WALKLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 8, Westmorland Street, 8. Table show, 9 classes; nomination of officers 1915. Fanciers invited.—C. Tomlinson.
- WATFORD C.B.S.—Oct. 7, 20, St. Albans Road, 8.30. General bus.—C. Rackley.
- WEST STANLEY C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Com. Hotel. Table show, Yorks., Nor., Bord., Brit.; staged 6.30. Schedule for annual show.—W. Elliott.
- WIGAN C.B.S.—Oct. 3, Legs of Man Hotel, 8. Old show business.—E. Ball.
- WIMLEDON C.B.S.—Oct. 5, 6, The Broadway, Wimbleton, 8. "Questions and Answers," and judging competition, British A.V.; final judge, Mr. F. Easterling. Nor.; final judge, Mr. P. Rorke. Will members kindly bring birds. A prize will be awarded for best bird in each class containing not less than eight entries.—G. Griffiths.
- WINDHILL C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Ordinary business and balance-sheet for members' show. No meeting on Oct. 3.—Taylor and Ellis.
- WINDSOR C.B.A.—Oct. 7, Star and Garter Hotel, 8.30. Arrangements for members' show.—H. W. Simma.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

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WHAT offers in Wild British for black pug dog pup, £2; Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North Road, London. (1794)
EXCHANGE two cock Linnets, one with Linnet song, for Red-moulted British, or sell: Robson, 92, Mid-st., Kirkcaldy. (1790)
SELECTED cocks, Linnets, Larks, Chaffinches, 8d. each, or will exchange: A. Foley, 4, Picton-st., New Bontham, Lincoln. (1792)
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CLEAR Norwich cock and 2 variegated hens, 12/6, cash or useful exchange: Harris, 354, Berridge-rd., Nottingham. (1764)
TWO Canaries, and cage, will exchange for poultry or rabbits: Robinson, 17 Saudringham-rd., Willesden Green. (1794)
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NOTICE: Will give good exchange in Yorkshire, Norwich, and Border show cages for Canaries or Mules, Goldfinches, or Bullfinches, or Foreign birds; McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1791)

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AFRICAN Grey Parrot and cage, grand talker, whistler, and dancer, 50/-; part exchange: Ross, 103, Gowan-st., Arbroath. (1788)
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PLATE stand camera, sell 40/-, or exchange: Apply, 39, Moss-st., Cladmoor, Cannoek. (1790)
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BLACK bitch Retriever pups, champions in pug dog, 21/- or exchange Goldies: T. Malpass, Essenden, Herts. (1792)
GOOD Lurcher dog, sell £1; exchange powerful air-gun or bicycle: Cole, 513, Clifford Villa, Foxhall-rd., Ipswich. (1788)
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NOTICE, large brass topped Parrot cage, as new, cost 15/6, will accept 6/-: Knowles, 19, Princess-st., Dukinfield. (1791)
LADIE'S bicycle, free wheel, rim brakes, good tyres, £1, exchange Norwich, foreign, or toy dog: Jones, Vaynol, Harlech. (1792)
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EXCHANGE fishing rod, new, 16ft., cost 9/6, for Norwich show cage: Westwood, Hairdresser, Witton-rd., Birmingham. (1787)
WANTED, pair field or marine glasses, exchange healthy Roller Canaries: F. Ayscough, 42, Thornville-rd., West Hartlepool. (1792)
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EXCHANGE, 2, splendid English rabbits, tortoise doe and black buck, for cock Canary and cage: Hodson, Wise-st., Longton. (1792)
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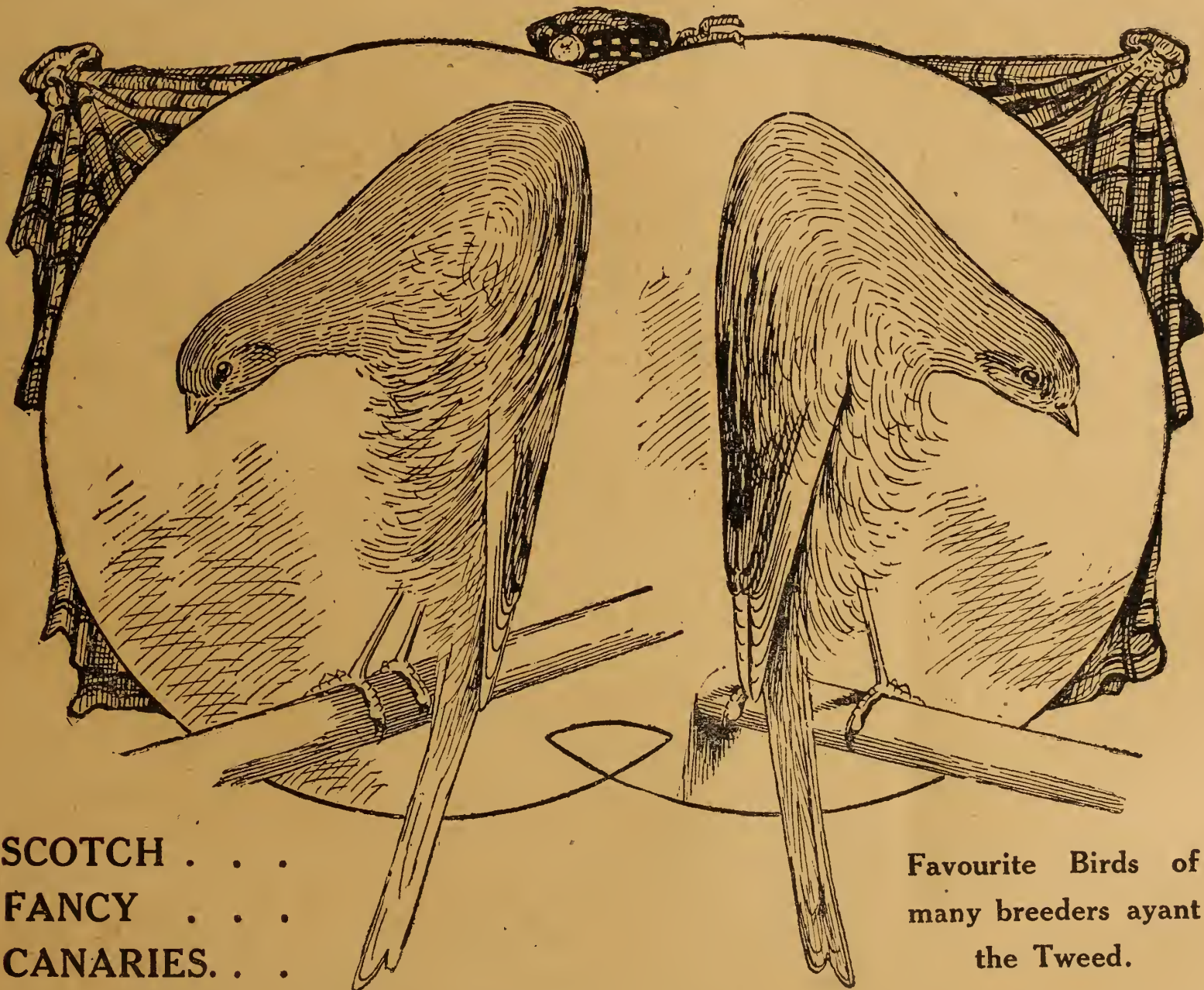
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LINNETS, Linnets—Red-breasted cocks, 9d. each, three for 1/6, 4/6 dozen; selected birds, 1/6 each; Linnet cages, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1805)

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LOOK, Look!—Will supply large Yorkshire cock Linnets, 3/- dozen, or will exchange cock mules or rollers; satisfaction guaranteed; approval, deposit: William Sparkes, 6, Tindall-lane, Beverley. (1802)

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HIGH-CLASS Crests, through moult, best strain in England, sell cheap; approval: T. Billington, 53, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1799)

T. J. KING, Inzogo, Cheltenham, has grand show birds and excellent stock birds, over moult, yellows and buff; inspection invited. (1804)

FOUR pairs high-class Crested Canaries, 15/- pair; honest bargains; approval, deposit: Payne, 3, Ormonde-rd., Holloway, London. (1801)

1914 LARGE healthy two crested hens, 6/- each; yellow crested cock, singing, 7/6; the three 15/-: Alf. Othen, Westend, Southampton. (1802)

LARGE young crested and Crestbred Canaries, Joyce-Barnett strain, absolutely healthy, £1 pair: Rev. G. Mullens, Chedzoy, Bridgwater. (1800)

BARGAINS, high-class Crests and Crestbreds, from winning strain, Crests, 7/6 each, pairs 10/- and upwards; approval willingly: F. Comber, 65, Lumley-rd., Horley, Surrey. (1795)

I HAVE a few Crest and Crestbred cocks, also Yorkshires, the property of an old breeder, will be sold at very reasonable prices for quick sale; call: Attridge, West Hill, Old Wandsworth, London. (1807)

LARGE green Crest and Crestbred, 1914 cocks, 10/6, 12/6; small hens, same parents, 3/6; would exchange for yellow Crestbred cocks or hens, wanted cinnamons and Roller cock: Jas. Edwards, 25, Gloucester-rd., Bishopston, Bristol. (1797)

EVINS BROTHERS—a grand lot of Crests and Crestbreds to be sold at bargain prices; this champion strain has been at the top for years; enquiries invited; approval: 259, High-st., Exeter.

Greens.

GOOD Norwich greens for sale, show or stock; some grand birds: S. Woods, 249, City-rd., St. Helens. (1801)

NORWICH greens, yellows and buff; fit to show in any company; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (1800)

NORWICH and Yorkshire Greens, of type and quality; how to breed these; see "Nutsell No. 24," "The Green Canary," 21d., post free, from: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. (Call on our agents and get it for 2d.; see list on another page.)

Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of diplomas of honour, silver cups and medals, etc.; some fine birds ready at prices to suit all; approval; stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Luke's, London, E.C. (1800)

FRANK F. LAWSON, Norwich Specialist, 11, Pugin-st., Carlisle.—Grand lot of young birds for sale, also fine year-old cocks and hens, fit to win; stamped inquiries solicited.

WANTED, Norwich: Pearson, Greenwich. FIVE Norwich hens, aviary bred, 2/- each: E. W. Foster, 35, High-st., Huntington. (1799)

WANTED, six Norwich show cages; price, including carriage, to: 36, Garth-terrace, York. (1798)

SELLING up, a few good Norwich left, cheap for cash: 22, Heath-st., Chetham Hill, Manchester. (1804)

NORWICH cocks 4/6, 6/6, 7/6, and 10/0, hens 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1800)

MUST sell, two large Norwich Canary hens, 2/6 each, 4/6 the pair: F. Jenson, 6, Clifton-terrace, Kenilworth. (1802)

H.V. HUGGINS has some choice birds, yellow and buff cocks and hens, from 10/-; approval: 40, Tabor-st., Burnley. (1803)

COCK Canaries 4/-; cock Mules, 5/-; Goldfinch-Canary, breeders of 24 Miles, 7/6; Talbot, East-rd., Parkstone, Dorset. (1801)

FORTY Norwich, large cocks, in song, 5/-, 6/-; hens, 2/-, 2/6; healthy birds; Pidgeon, 109, Fairbridge-rd., Holloway. (1800)

NORWICH-YELLOW buff cocks and hens, several local winners, show breeding flight cages: Barker, 43, Boundary-rd., Merton. (1801)

WANTED, offers cash for six good Norwich hen Canaries, one cock Goldfinch Mule: Pearce, Crinnis-Par Station, Cornwall. (1801)

LADY'S handsome pure yellow Norwich cock Canary, fine singer for sale; what offers: Case, Gold-bridge, Newick, Sussex. (1797)

GRAND Norwich, moulted, large, grand type, good heads, some winners, cheap; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1799)

YOUNG Norwich Canaries, C.F. yellows and buff, cocks, in song, from 6/6, hens 3/-: Warburton, 98, Crawford-st., Newton Heath. (1801)

MY noted Norwich, few ready for early shows, cheap; state wants; approval: C. Roberts, Stannahy, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1807)

GRAND buff hen, good head, neck, wing carriage, winner 1st prize, 12/6; card sent; approval deposit: Davies, Ferndale, Craven Arms. (1801)

TWENTY Norwich and Norwich Roller, 1914, singing, some colour fed, 7/6 pair; useful exchange: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark. (1800)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

FOR sale, Norwich and Borders, for show or stock, cheap; must clear before going to front; approval, deposit: 22, Fullerton-place, Gateshead. (1805)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich, Davies, Hodder, Baker strains; splendid stock pairs; 15/-, 17/6, 20/-; from winners; approval: Burgess, Eastover, Bridgwater. (1800)

TWO Norwich cocks, 1 hen, fed buff cocks, 15/- each; hen 5s.; lot 30/-; off winner; stamp, reply: Furness, 32, Onslow-rd., Little Layton, Blackpool. (1804)

A. FLEET, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Norwich, has a few good birds for disposal; cocks from 10/-; hens from 4/-: 10, Kings-rd., Upton Park. (1801)

BIG buff cock, 15/-; good quality yellow cock, 10/-; grand variegated yellow hen, 10/-; buff hen, 5/-; all fed; approval, deposit: Pepper, Dunmow, Essex. (1798)

SPLENDID pair of Norwich 1912 yellow cock, 1913 buff hen, have bred some fine quality birds from them this season, 30/-, or sell separate: E. Butcher, Eastover, Bridgwater. (1795)

WANTED, two Norwich hens, yellow green, must be large birds, and on approval; for muling, 1914 birds; apply: Thos. Hardie, 8, Mary's-st., Laureston, Falkirk, Stirlingshire. (1799)

I HAVE had a good season, bred some extra large typical Norwich; my birds all on approval; won 70 prizes open competition; 10/-, 15/- upwards: Lambert, 122, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (1801)

BIG bold pair of Norwich, 15/-; cock worth the money; approval; nest of three hand-reared Linnets, hen mule, Crested hen Canary, 6/-; hen Goldie, 1/-: Brown, 22, Alma-rd., Weymouth. (1802)

LEAVING Lewes; must reduce stock; offer at half prices last year's winners, also splendid young from same, colour fed; winner Palace, Brighton, Lewes, Hastings; approval: Olley, 13, Dorset-rd., Lewes. (1801)

TWO var. yellow hens, 10/- each; var. buff cock, 10/-; var. buff cock, good type, £2; clear buff hen, £1; clear buff cock, 12/-; clear yellow cock, 12s.; approval: E. Blako, 24, Forest-rd., Cheshunt, Herts. (1804)

MR. C. W. SILK, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich Plainheads; winner of cups and special prizes at all the leading shows; has some grand birds for disposal; state requirements; all birds sent on approval: Glenrosa, Emsworth. (1800)

MARTIN COOK, Norwich Specialist, 30, Pinbeck Road, Bournemouth, offers 150 high-class Norwich matched pairs or single birds, all on approval; matches from 7/6; hens from 3/6; also a few exhibition British, owing to business pressure; genuine bargains. (1803)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-street, London.

CHAMPION bull hen, big winner, 30/-; unflighted bull cock, rare shape, grand head, 21/-, can win in good members' shows, unflighted buff hen, real gem, all over, 30/-; clear bull hen, sister to my diploma winner, 20/-; now in grand show trim; approval, all risks taken on rail: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (1806)

TO NORWICH FANCIERS

Being reluctantly compelled to give up the fancy, the whole of my Norwich are for sale. Among them are many young birds now fit for the keenest competition; yellows, buff, and even marked, and bred from last season's winners; the whole are offered at prices to effect a speedy sale; birds of this quality can seldom be bought at moderate prices; it would pay any intending purchaser of Norwich to give me a visit (by appointment); breeding, showing, and travelling cases at clearing prices; also a grand Siberian hen Bullfinch for hybrid breeding. Wanted, a good dog cart, suiting small pony: Taylor, Draper, Bideford.

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD.

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

WANTED, Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. ROLLER cock Canaries, 3/6, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeders, Forres, N.B. (1792)

ROLLER Canaries, healthy songsters, from 4/6, for ROLLER Fund, two for 7/6: 17, Surrey-rd., Bishopston, Bristol. (1796)

If you have any Roller show cages you don't want send particulars to Tbwates, 63, Pontefract-lane, Leeds. (1800)

TWO pairs Rollers, two cock Goldfinches, 23/- lot, or useful exchange; cash first: W. Pearce, Buscot, Lechlade, Glos. (1804)

ROLLER cocks in full song, 6/6; hens, 2/-; also six Goldfinch Mules, 6/6; or offers for lot: Bushby, Heene Croft, Worthing. (1800)

SEIFERT Rollers, cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-; approval, deposit: Reynolds' Supply Stores, Walberswick, Southwold, Suffolk. (1798)

PAIR Roller Canaries, cocks, full song, no harsh notes, good colour, 1913; 9/- pair: Mrs. Nock, Longdon Rectory, Wellington, Salop. (1800)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

HARTZ mountain Roller, cocks, English bred, clean moulted, in song, 7/6 each, hens 2/- each: John Thomas, 19, Albert-st., Canton, Cardiff. (1802)

HIGH-CLASS St. Andreasburg Roller cock, trained by winning Schoolmaster, splendid songster, 7/6: Tom Jackson, 155, Southampton-rd., Farcotton, Northampton. (1801)

INTERNATIONAL Gluck and Water-Gluck strain, four young cocks, singing grandly, 7/6 each, hens 2s. 6d.; exchange anything useful: Taylor, 71, Thursby-rd., Burnley. (1804)

CONTEST Rollers, cold-room bred cocks, 10/6, 12/6, hens 5/-; pairs scientifically mated, 12/6, 15/-; approval with pleasure: Squire Gommersall, Bank House, Birstall, Leeds. (1806)

GENUINE; 3 pure English-bred Leipzig Roller cocks, bred this year, practically over moult, commenced singing nicely, 4/- each; 7 days' approval on receipt of P.O.: Wesson, Ada-rd., Smethway. (1806)

MY own breeding and learnt under my Champion Roller; young cock Rollers coming into long hollow rolls, not rubbish, 6/6, 7/6, and a few to make schoolmasters, 10/6, 12/6 each: Fred Allen, B.B.C., Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (1807)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford. (1801)

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, have some clicking exhibition and stud birds; reasonable; winners of thousands of prizes at leading shows; four times special for best in show, Crystal Palace, including Palace 1914: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. (1800)

ODDEN BROS., Breeders, Exhibitors, and Exporters of the best the world has produced: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (1800)

WANTED, Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks, singing, lot 7/-: Lloyd, 23, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1804)

YORKSHIRES 6/6 a pair, cocks 4/6, hens 2/-; also cages cheap: 11, Walter-st., West Gorton, Manchester. (1802)

THREE splendid cocks, 7/6 each (clears); also 3 clear hens, 2/- each; cash: H. Dawson, 56, Walcott-st., Hull. (1800)

YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, colour-fed Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1800)

THIRTY high-class Yorkshires, 9/- a pair; hens 3/-, or exchange for Rollers: P. Powell, 47, Thomas-st., Clonmel. (1800)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshire cocks, splendid songsters and good stock birds, 6/6; hens, 3/6: Olford, 14, Marlha-st., Portsmouth. (1790)

UNFLIGHTED, buff hen, 7 ins., good feather, two yellow hens, 7/6 each: Crawhall, 121, St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1802)

TWENTY Yorkshires for sale, colour fed, cocks 7/-, hens 3/-, to clear: Winter, 42, Thackeray-rd., Portsmouth, Southampton. (1799)

GRAND Yorkshires for show, moulted and fed, some clickers, sell cheap; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1780)

SIX grand Yorkshire Canaries, 3 cocks, 2 hens, 3 double breeding cages, and fittings, 30/- secures: G. Rowbottom, Kilton-in-Lindsey. (1801)

FIVE pairs of high-class Yorkshires, 8/6 per pair; best offer for lot; approval, deposit: Collins, Brookside, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (1806)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval, cash or deposit: D. Radley, Saville-rd., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1803)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, for exhibition or song, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-; approval: Ernest Cheslure, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1807)

FINE Yorkshires, colour-fed, pairs from 7/6 upwards, singers 5/- each; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, Nr. Huddersfield. (1783)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks, guaranteed, 5/-, full song; seven days' approval: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1806)

FOUR young Yorkshire Canaries for sale, 1914 birds, sex unknown, 10/- the lot, cheap: Philips, 111, Brownlow-rd., New Southgate, London, N. (1807)

FOR sale, unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, feathered like silk, ready for show, yellow hen, 15/- pair; bargain: Wright, 10, Shellfield-rd., Southport. (1801)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, feathered like wax; cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/-; stamp particulars: A. Taylor, 43, Highfield-rd., Hemsworth, Wakefield. (1800)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

SPLENDID yellow York-hire cock, 1914, colour-fed, fine type, bred from winners, make rare show or stock bird, 15/-: E. Butcher, Eastover, Bridgwater. (1798)

FOR sale cheap, several high-class, colour-fed Yorkshires, cocks and hens, also single and double breeding cages: Bullock, Sherrard's Green, Great Malvern. (1803)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshire cock and four hens in good condition, also two show cages in travelling case, 21/-: Mr. Adams, 233, Elizabeth-st., North Woolwich. (1799)

YORKS, cocks 7/6, hens 3/-, matched pairs from 10/6, own breeding; also picked cock Linnets 1s., cages free: Topliss, 27, Frederick-st., Mansfield, Notts. (1803)

MUST sell, two Yorkshire Canary hens, 2/6 each, 4/6 the pair; two young crossbred Canaries, as bred, 3/6, or the lot 7/-: F. Jenson, 6, Clifton-terrace, Kenilworth. (1802)

GRAND colour-fed Yorkshire cocks, prize bred, in full song, 4/6; grand rough hens, 2/6; pairs, 6/6; cages, 3d. extra: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1807)

WINNING Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/- upwards; approval, deposit (see show reports Halifax): Allen Radley, 205, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1805)

YORKSHIRES bred from winners; cocks, 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock birds, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1806)

LADY has 30 beautiful Yorkshire Canaries, 1913-1914, long slim birds, over moult, cocks singing, perfectly healthy, from own aviary, cocks, 6/-, hens 3/-, or useful exchange: 4, Irton-rd., Southport. (1803)

FOR sale, 4 pairs prize-bred Yorkshires, flight moulted, good colour, 10/- per pair; one pair grand Norwich, 10/-; thermal bath cabinet, not used, 17/-; book on Our Canaries; approval willingly, 12/-: Yours, Real, 123, Cameron-rd., Normanton, Derby. (1802)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1802)

AMBLERS' champion Yorkshires, winners, for keenest competition, and slashing stock birds, clean moulted, wonderful length and feathered like wax, pairs 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; single cocks or hens, proportionate; the finest strain in existence; see winnings of thousands of prizes and championships at leading shows these last 30 years; our champion yellow, special for best in show Crystal Palace, 1914, was acknowledged the bird of the season; approval, cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. (1802)

DYKES' YORKSHIRES

Winner of Yorkshire Challenge Cup, also Grand-marked Trophy, open competition, 1913-1914. I have some good birds now ready, and with so many shows cancelled shall not require so many teams this season. Can now supply winners for keenest competition at about half usual prices, also some grand pairs from 10/6 upwards; inspection invited at any time, or kindly state wants; satisfaction guaranteed: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1802)

SHOW AND STOCK

Yorkshires now ready, and all through the moult and in first-class condition. Smart, lengthy, typical cocks, on song, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; extra good large hens, at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, in clears, ticked, green marked and cinnamon marked; matched pairs for producing winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair, colour-fed or natural colour, and all cold-room kept; exhibition specimens in cocks and hens that can win at Members' or small shows at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; also some that can win in the keenest open competition at very reasonable prices; inspection invited any time without appointment; illustration price list post free; travelling cages 3d. extra; all birds on 7 days' approval at my risk to any party; only old address: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1802)

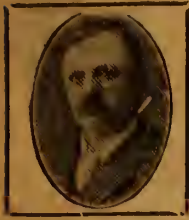
Various Canaries.

CANARIES, 1914; 2 dozen as bred, healthy, over moult, 3/- each to clear: B., 38, Fant-lane, Maidstone. (1800)

THREE hen Canaries and house-moulted Linnet, 6/- lot; approval: F. Burbidge, 50, Appleton-gate, Newark, Notts. (1803)

GRAND Yorkshires or Rollers, cocks (full song) 4/-, 5/-, hens 2/- each: Cooper, Breeder and Exhibitor, Princess-st., Manchester. (1800)

SELLING off.—Owing to change of occupation, which takes up all my time, I am selling off all my birds, and have some real beauties going cheap; my Yorkshire cock, very handsome racy rich yellow bird, 10/-; Hartz Mountain Schoolmaster, magnificent singer, £1; three 1914 Norwich cocks, colour cent singer, 4/-; three 1914 Norwich cocks, two fed large cocky birds, singing, 6/- each; two fed large cocky birds, singing, 6/- each; one 1914 Hartz Mountain Norwich hens, 3/- each; one 1914 Hartz Mountain cock, 6/-; Palace aviary, 2ft. wide, nearly new, 5/-; or



CHAMPION YORKSHIRES and NORWICH

Some real good birds now ready. Grand lengthy Yorkshire cocks, well on song, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- up; erect, racy hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6 each up; matched breeding pairs, 10/-.

JOE THOMAS, Ambley Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.

WANTED, HEN CANARIES Yorkshires and Norwich, will give 18/- doz., 1/- each hen Goldfinches, Mules; cash or deposit with "Cage Birds"; W. Rutherford, 333, High-rd., Leytonstone. (1801)

WANTED 1,000 Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries and Goldfinch Mules; best price given for good birds; cash or deposit with Editor; stamped envelope reply: Enoch Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

PLEASE READ THROUGH Observe following out of many received during past week:—"Hornsey, N., Oct. 4th, 1914.—Bird arrived safe. Very pleased with same; been singing most of day. You have our best thanks. We learn wisdom as we live, by dealing with honest people; we shall know where to come to in future, and certainly recommend you whenever opportunity presents itself.—A. L. Storey to W. Rudd." N.B.—I have a splendid collection of first round selected songsters in Norwich, Yorkshires, home-bred Hartz Mountain Rollers, etc., 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages 3d.; approval. Greatest bargains ever known, taking into consideration the quality. Price-bred Norwich, Yorkshire, or Borders, cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-; three hens (colours, my selection), any above breeds, or mixed, 5/6 lot; very exceptional bargains; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up; cages 3d.; exhibition Norwich Plainheads, Crests, Yorkshires, Lizards, Scotch Fancies, Mules; some exceptions at most reasonable prices; detailed list free: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

WANTED, Mules: Pearson, Greenwich. TWO cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/- each; Linnets Mules, 7/6 each; Linnets song, suit catcher: 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbrough. (1803) **COCK Goldfinch Mules, 5/6; Goldfinch song; cock Linnets Mules, 5/-; Sib. hens, 7/6 each:** Groom, Longroy Hall, Shrewsbury. (1800) **TWO 1914 Goldfinch mules, cock, 7/- each; one 1912 cock, 10/-, Goldfinch song; two 1914 Greenfinch mules, 6/6 each:** Fleet, 16, King's-rd., Upton Park. (1801) **GRAND lot Goldfinch and Linnets Mules, for show or song; prices low, easy payments arranged; approval:** McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1781) **GRAND lot Linnets Mules, clean moulted, cock in full song, with pure wild notes, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; hen Mules, 1/6 each; approval:** Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. **WINNERS:** perfect condition; can win in keenest competition; Goldfinch-Bullfinch, perfect, 25; dark Buff Linnets Mule, 35/-; will soon win back cost; approval: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. **HYBRIDISERS:** hen Bullfinches 9d., 1/-, cocks 1/-, 1/6; Goldfinches 2/-, 2/6, extra good specimen, clean moulted and ready for show, 5/-; house moulted Goldfinches from 10/-; G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Longton, Staffordshire. (1805) **GOLDFINCH Canary mules, warranted cocks, 4/- each; few hen Canaries, bred light mules, 10/- each; cocks to match, 7/6; Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1803) **LOVELY Goldfinch Mules, cocks 5/-; house-moulted Goldfinch (muler), with Norwich hen, 5/-; hen Hawfinch, 2/-; Chetwood, Elson, Ellesmere, Salop. (1800) **TIME, trouble, and money saved!** Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money,—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. **REDUCING stock of Sibs** owing to ill-health; breeder of two clear yellows, one 2-point yellow, five 4-point buffs, and numerous light Mules; 1911 yellow hen, throws light Mules in every nest, 25/-; 1914 hens, 25/-; cocks, 20/-; pairs from 30/-; money returned if they fail to throw light Mules; two pairs, not quite as much inbred, 21/- pair; grand birds for breeding-in, massive: F. G. Bartlett, 32, Royal York Crescent, Clifton, Bristol. (1803)****

WANTED, 500 cock Goldfinch Mules, must be in song; state lowest price: Enoch Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (1797)

DOVES.

LOT White Java Doves, 3/6 pair; offers: Turner, 1a, Albert-rd., Oswestry. (1791) **BEAUTIFUL White Doves, 4/6; Ring Doves, 2/6 pair:** Pearson's Dove Farm, Greenwich.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, foreign birds: Pearson, Greenwich. **PENNANT Parakeet**, in good condition, believed hen, only 35/-; Goodall, Market-st., Watford, Herts. **WANTED, talking Parrot, cheap for cash; no dealers:** Keech, 20, Eastville-rd., Southend, Bedford. (1806) **PARROT, Grey colour, bargain, 10/-; Amazon, talking, 20/-:** Lloyd, 24, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1804) **BEAUTIFUL tame talking Indian Mynah, perches on finger, feeds from hand, 30/-:** Pearson, Greenwich.

GRAND Grey (Rosy breast, neck) talking Parrot, good square cage, 24; particulars: Weaire, Enodland, Kent. (1805) **GREENS, lovely pair adult breeders, small birds,** 6: J. Clingo, 201, St. Benedict's-rd., Small Heath, Birmingham. (1798) **PARROTS wanted for cash, whether talking or not, must be healthy and in good plumage:** Harris, High-st., Yiewsley. (1802) **YOUNG Parrot, just commencing to talk; exchange Yorkshire Terrier or others:** Fred Allen, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1847) **EXCHANGE talking Parrot and cage for birds, or puppies, sell 25/-; stamp reply:** Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. **TWO grand pairs young Green Budgerigars, 0/-; or offers exchange; approval:** W. Hard, 22, Upper Bar, Newport, Salop. (1806) **REAL Indian Millet, natural food for small foreign birds, 14bs. 3/-, 21/- per cwt.:** Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1805) **MIXED foreign birds for aviaries; acclimatised; 12/-, 15/-, 20/- per dozen; approval:** Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1805) **NOTICE, all varieties Foreign birds at low prices and easy payments arranged; state wants:** McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1781) **WANTED, cheap for cash, African Grey Parrot, three years, full particulars to:** Lathan, White Lee Grove, Mexbro', Rotherham. (1799) **PARROTS wanted, good talking African Grey, acclimatised, no rubbish or dealers, for prompt cash:** Jones, Cranbourne-st., Brighton. (1790) **BLUE-crowned Conure, rare, 20/-; Pelz's Conure, 15/-; Panama Amazon, talks, mimics, very tame, 60/-; Rectory, Nash, Stony Stratford. (1807) **WHAT offers for acclimatised cock scarlet Tanager, or will exchange for small Softbills:** Bowerman, 12, Wellington-st., Swindon. (1803) **TALKING healthy African Grey Parrot, square cage, cost 41, 25 10/-; part exchange Yorkshire Canaries, 4ves, East Cliffe, Lytham. (1799) **WANTED, many coloured Parakeets, for indoor aviary, not troublesome with small birds:** Mrs. Paget Steavenson, Hurworth, Darlington. 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(1806) **WANTED, two large cock Goldies will give two pairs large Norwich; offers wanted:** Richards, 36, New-st., Exmouth. (1803) **DEALERS wanted to take from one to twenty dozen cock Linnets weekly:** Write Horace Coots, 96, North-st., Luton. (1806) **WANTED, cycle tyres, 28 x 1 1/2, exchange buff cock Midgley's, cock Bullie, scrap brass, lead:** F. Cook, East-st., Pembroke. (1803) **WANTED, Canaries, all kinds, healthy birds; send lowest prices to A. Leitch, East End Bird Mart, 520, Gallowgate, Glasgow. (1783) **WANTED, feathers, mole, rabbit skins, hair, metals, rubber, wools, rags; price list free:** Atlas Co., Untriville-rd., Harringay. (1802) **WANTED, 15/- for six good hen Canaries, and 5/- for a good Yorkshire cock, full song:** Pratt, Market-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (1806) **WANTED, good working ferret, will give a yellow Yorkshire cock, on full song; approval:** Dean, Highgate, Glusburn, Keighley. (1803) **WANTED, Norwich, Yorkshires; large birds; colour fed preferred; state price; also Linnets: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S., Glasgow. (1806) **WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds:** Mrs. Martin, 91, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow.****************

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LIVERPOOL

St. Martin's Hall, Scotland Road, October 23 and 24. 20 Novice Classes. The Show of the Season. Specialist Judges. Good prize money. Magnificent Specials. £1 Is. most points. Send for a Schedule if you have not received one. Railway birds away by 5 p.m. Motcaife and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.

EAST LOTHIAN C.B.S. Show postponed till later date, owing to Hall being taken over by military authorities. J. Fairgrieve, 4, Hope Street, Haddington. (1798)

Abertillery C.B.S.

Show will be held on Wed., Oct. 21st, in the Gymnasium Hall. Judge, John Robson. Review of Schedule: Nov. 8 Champ., 3 Nov.; Yorks., 8 Champ., 3 Nov.; Border, 2 Champ., 1 Nov.; Miles and Habb., 3; Brill, 7; A.O.V., 1; Sell., 2. For Schedules, apply: H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec., Oaklands, Top Crook Hill, Cwmillery.

OXFORD

C.B.S. Open Show, Thursday, October 22. Judge, J. Robson, Esq.

Schedules will be sent to last year's exhibitors. Others apply: C. F. Holliday, 58, George St.

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MUIRKIRK SHOW will be held on Saturday, October 31st. Fanciers assist patriotism. Proceeds for War Relief Fund. 9 Open Border Classes. 4 Open British Bird Classes. Judge, Mr. Hugh Geddes, Dumfries. Schedules from Sec.: James C. Torbett, Smallburn, Muirkirk.

FORFAR

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Twitterings.

We hear that Mr. F. W. Nelson will judge Stockport and Hazel Grove members' show, Nov. 14th, at Co-operative Hall, Hazel Grove.

Respecting Lark food, if your correspondent, Mr. W. Freeman, will write me I will give him the information required.—John C. Riley, Royal Cottage, Sough Road, Darwen.

I have taken over the secretarial duties of the Stanley Empire Club F.F. and Cage Bird Society in place of Mr. Robinson, who has been called up for active service, writes Mr. W. Elliott (15, Fairford Terrace, West Stanley, S.O.).

It has been found impossible to hold Luton open show this year, writes Mr. E. Bloomfield, the Hon. Sec., as we are unable to procure a hall for certain, they being at present in the occupation of the military authorities. We shall try and arrange for a members' show later to keep things going.

We hear from Mr. J. Ainsworth, 15, Vaughan Street, Shildon, the new hon. sec. of the Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S., that the date of the open show of the society has been changed from Dec. 4, 5, to Nov. 13, 14. All club correspondence should in future be addressed to Mr. Ainsworth, at the address stated.

THE GREAT NATIONAL CAGE BIRD SHOW WILL BE HELD ON FEB. 5, 6, 8 & 9, 1915

We are going to try to hold a members' show on the date originally fixed for open show, viz., Dec. 5, writes Mr. J. R. Chestney, hon. sec. Cramlington C.B.S., with the object of keeping our members interested in the Fancy, and keeping up their enthusiasm for another year, when it is hoped things will again be normal.

We have received the Year Book of the Southern Border Fancy Club. It contains a list of officers, rules and by-laws of the club, a full description of the club's standard Border and scale of points, members' names and addresses, and balance-sheet for 1913. The latter shows cash in hand £4 17s. 10d., and outstanding 3s. 6d. The hon. sec., pro tem, is Mr. Geo. Burton, 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E.

Owing to the hall we had engaged for our open show being commandeered by the military authorities, we have postponed our show, writes Mr. J. Fairgrieve, sec. East Lothian C.B.S. We are in view of a suitable place, which is hardly ready yet, so the committee thought it would be better to put back the show for a week or two. The date will be advertised in CAGE BIRDS when decided.

I would like to draw the special attention of members to the next meeting of the Gateshead C.B.S. on Oct. 14, writes Mr. W. Curry, as it concerns a question which all should come to the meeting to vote upon (not leave it to about six members). My own personal opinion is that an open show on a smaller scale than our usual show will pay all right, as fanciers round about here will be keen to have their birds tried.

Kindly let secretaries know that I have removed from Sthernhall Street to 168, Wood Street, Walthamstow, writes Mr. W. Wilson. I might tell you I have had a good season, both in quantity and quality. I purchased some of Mr. Binns' stock last year, and I might say that that gentleman treated me grandly. I cannot say more about him than that. I am only too sorry to think a fancier like himself should unavoidably be compelled to leave the Fancy.

Mr. W. H. Christer, hon. sec., Chopwell C.B.S., has removed from 7, Clyde Street, to 22, Mersey Street, Chopwell.

At the annual show of the Kirkintilloch C.B.C. there will be 10 added classes open to all; note Club Report this week.

Schedules of the Liverpool O.S. show have been posted, write Metcalfe and Green, hon. secs., 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Anyone overlooked kindly apply at once.

We have decided on 27 classes, 21 for Canaries and 6 British, writes Mr. J. Ainsworth, hon. sec. Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S. Prizes will be 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d., 1s., for a fee of 1s. 6d.

At the show to be held at Muirkirk on Oct. 31, the proceeds will be given to the War Relief Fund. In the cage bird section there are 13 open classes, full particulars of which are given under the heading "Review of Schedules" in this issue.

Birdlovers in the metropolitan area should remember that Clapham show is held Thursday next, Oct. 15; a visit from them will be appreciated by the officials. The hall (Strathblane Hall, "The Plough") is within a few yards of Clapham Junction Station, and on the tram and bus routes; open after mid-day.

OBITUARY.

MR. WALTER SIMPSON (Halifax).

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. Harry Clegg, sec. Halifax O.S., that I have to inform you of the death of one of our members, Mr. W. Simpson, who died on Sept. 28, at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Waterhouse. He had not enjoyed good health for some time, but his sudden death came as a surprise to the fanciers. His chief hobby was Yorkshire Greens, and he was successful on several occasions at the leading shows of the country. The Liverpool fanciers, I feel sure, will join with the Halifax fanciers in mourning his loss.

SIR A. C. GIBSON CRAIG, Bart.

It is with a sense of the deepest sympathy and regret, writes Mr. J. Napier, hon. sec., Colinton and Currie Parishes O.S. that I have to announce the death of one of our Hon. Vice-Presidents, Sir Archibald C. Gibson-Craig, Bart., of Riccarton, Currie, who has been killed in action in the Battle of the Aisne. Sir Archibald was a Lieutenant in the H.L.I. He took a great interest in the doings of our society, and himself studied bird life on his estate a good deal. The kindly welcome he gave us and the members of the Edin. and Dis. C.B.S., on the occasion of our recent ramble through his estate will not readily be forgotten, either by us or the Edin. and Dis. members. Sir Archibald had promised to come to our show this year. I am sure the sympathy of both societies, and fanciers in general, will go out to his sorrowing mother, Lady Gibson-Craig, in her sad bereavement. She will feel the loss all the more through having lost her eldest son in the South African War. But both died noble deaths.

Extra Specials at Clapham Show.

At a meeting of the Clapham and Dist. C.B.A. held Oct. 6, the secretary announced that he had received several special prizes which were too late for inclusion in the schedule, and also that the National British Bird and M.C. were offering two diplomas. The sec., Mr. T. J. Hose, 5, Wells Crescent, Camberwell, will receive entries up to Saturday next, 10th inst.

Success at Halifax.

Prize-money in connection with our open show on Saturday last has been paid, writes Mr. A. Sutcliffe, Sec. Halifax C.B.S. All not paid on Saturday at the show was posted to-day (Monday). Anyone overlooked, please inform me. I wish to thank all exhibitors and patrons for their kind support, which made our show the success that was desired. I also thank all our members, and especially our chairman for the help that has been given to me; without such willing and energetic workers, success would not have been ours. Every bird had left for home by 7.30 p.m.

This Year—and Last.

A comparison between the opening Yorkshire Union fixture of 1913 and that of this year is interesting. Last Saturday the Halifax Society received 283 entries in 28 classes (1 void) from 99 exhibitors; and the officials were, we understand, very well satisfied with this result, under the prevailing conditions. The new scheme of the Y.U. resulted in a profit of (roughly) £1 14s. from the entry fees, after paying the prize-money. The first Y.U. show last year was held by the Great Horton O.S., who had 365 entries in 29 classes from 120 exhibitors. So Halifax this year were 82 entries behind this, and had 21 less exhibitors. The chief drop was in the Novice section, the 8 classes at Halifax bringing 97 birds, against 155 found in 1913 at Great Horton—a drop of 58! The balance of the deficit is made up of 17 birds in the champion section, and 7 in the selling classes.

FOR BIRD-KEEPERS JOINING THE COLOURS.

Generous Offer by a Well-known Lady Bird-lover.

A lady offers a temporary home for the pet bird or birds of men called away owing to the War. The birds will be fed and looked after free of charge by skilled fanciers until the end of the War. Any kinds will be taken in (Parrot tribe only excepted) insectivorous and fruit-eating British or foreign species having preference, though there will be room for seed eaters and a certain number of Canaries as well.

A formal receipt will be given in exchange for each bird left or sent, which will have its owner's name and address attached to its cage, and the birds will be given up on production of the receipt at any time.

Anyone intending to forward birds to be looked after is requested to send a postcard, stating kind of bird or birds it is proposed to send, and whether they have been kept in a cold or a warm room; and immediately they receive an answer to say there is still accommodation available, the birds can be sent or brought to The Hon. Mrs. Bouke, 75, Gloucester Place, Portman Square, London, W.

SINGING CANARIES FOR WAR HOSPITALS.

WE have this week the pleasant task of heartily thanking readers of CAGE BIRDS for the splendid support they have given to our scheme to provide singing Canaries to help brighten the convalescent homes and hospitals wherein our gallant fighting-men are recuperating from injuries received at the front. So generous has been the support that we have to announce that no further promises of birds are required; we have sufficient, we think, to meet all requests for them. Their sprightly song will, we trust, very soon be bringing a note of cheerfulness and a new interest into the enforced "leisure" of many gallant lads—lads as a body remarkable for their devotion to pets of every kind.

We should, however, like to have by us a few further promises of house-cages for use of the birds when they arrive at their destinations. No doubt there are still many kindly-disposed readers who have suitable living-cages they could well spare for this good cause. If so, we shall be glad if they will fill in and post to us the form printed below.

These cages may be of wood (box pattern) or open wire. They need not necessarily be new, so long as they are in a quite clean, sound condition; we would ask, however, that they be of fair size and provided with the necessary fittings. The cage or cages we should ask donors to send carriage paid, and adequately packed, to such hospital or hospitals as we shall notify to donors in due course. Gifts of one cage will be welcomed equally as warmly as a larger number.

Readers who may have no cage for disposal are not debarred from participating in the scheme; they may, if they so desire, promise to purchase and forward a suitable cage and fittings if they are called upon by us within the specified time.

The names of all donors, whether of birds or cages, will be published in CAGE BIRDS. Further, we shall arrange for an inscribed card to be sent with each bird and cage giving the names of the donors of the bird, the cage, and the food, etc.

Two well-known firms are generously co-operating with bird-keepers in this scheme Messrs. Capern, Ltd. (Bristol) having promised to supply sufficient seed to last every bird at least three months, and Messrs. Trower and Co. (London) the necessary bird-sand over a similar period.

Canaries for the Hospitals

I am willing, if called on any time during the next twelve months, to supply free of cost:—
One living cage, with necessary fittings, suitable for a singing Canary,
to be presented as a gift to any Hospital or Convalescent Home applying for same.

Name.....
Address (in full)
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Date.....

To the Editor, CAGE BIRDS,
153, Fleet Street, London.

Additional societies that have abandoned their open shows for 1914 are: Luton C.B.S., Inverness O.S., Cramlington C.B.S., Wiveliscombe F.A., Bournemouth C.B.A.

THE
ROCK
THRUSH.

A Rare Visitor
to Great Britain.

(See letter on page 164).



The Sunflower and its Value
to British Finches.

With some useful hints on feeding the birds. A lecture given before the Porth and Rhondda Valleys C.B.S.

By
A. H. C. LEGG
(Porth).

MR. Chairman, Ladies, and Gentlemen: By request of our secretary, I have pleasure in giving you my experience of the feeding value of sunflower seed to some of our British Finches. I am going to give you my own personal experience extending back some ten years, and I do not want you to think my way the only proper and right way to feed the British birds I shall mention this evening. Different fanciers have different ways, and every fancier thinks his way to be right.

But for my esteemed friend, Mr. John Challenger, I don't think I would ever have been a British bird fancier; he started me off by giving me a beautiful Goldfinch, and whenever I visited his bird-room he had something new in British birds. I "made haste slowly" to catch him up, and eventually I did so, and many a battle we have fought at the shows.

If the novices present will give my way of feeding a fair trial, I am quite sure they will not go wrong. I will now proceed with my subject. The sunflower: its growing and feeding values to the five British birds I shall name this evening, namely, the Hawfinch, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Goldfinch, and Siskin.

Why not in England?

The sunflower is grown in various parts of the world as a field crop, notably in Southern Russia and France. It seems to me a pity that the English farmer does not take this up, seeing the good market there is for the sunflower seeds. The bird fancier who only grows a few sunflowers in his garden for the birds, should, after extracting the seed, dry the stalks and heads, and burn them, then save the ashes, and throw this about the flower beds, as the ashes contain a very high percentage of potash. The flowers of the plant are very rich in nectar, and very large numbers of bees may be seen upon them.

Although the sunflower is a native of tropical America, it is very hardy. The seed should not be sown before the third or last week in April, while if the weather is wet and cold, planting should be delayed until the first week in May. There are several varieties, but the white seed I favour most, and pick out the largest seed I can get hold of. I always save my own. The White Russian and Black Russian are the largest, and I have found that the Russian white contains a larger

amount of seed than the black or the striped.

There are two kinds which stand out from all others, the giant and the dwarf. I advise you to grow two rows of these. Sow the dwarf in front of the giant, with two feet between the rows. Plant the seed 18 inches apart, and one inch deep. If possible, let your rows face due south. Remember that the sunflower is a great feeder, and you need to dig in deeply plenty of manure. If you have a hedge as a background the sunflowers will look simply grand; the dwarf will grow to 3 feet and the giant 6 to 8 feet; the one I have this evening was 8 feet 1 inch high, and 10 ins. across the flower. They will grow anywhere from 8 to 12 inches in diameter, and the heads as you see are one mass of seed. In dry weather, always remember the water-can.

A Great Colour Producer.

In my opinion freshly gathered sunflower seed is a great colour producer, especially with the Hawfinch, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Goldfinch, and Siskin.

The Hawfinch is to me the king of the Finch tribe; he is a rather heavy feeder and a good roomy cage is essential; my own are 3 feet by 16 inches high and 11 inches wide, with the wires of the front 1 inch apart.

As an exhibition bird, the Hawfinch is getting very popular with British bird exhibitors, and a good one is almost sure of that first and special. In selecting a Hawfinch get one with plenty of size, of good colour, a good large head, the cap on the head, and the V bib, as defined as possible, and as clear cut as you like to see the edges of a good exhibition Goldie's blaze. The hen is smaller and less bright in colour, and easy to distinguish from the cock.

I feed mostly with sunflower and safflower. I put these into a separate food vessel to the other seeds, which are composed of 2 parts Canary, 1 part rape, 1 part hemp, 1/2 part linseed. This is his winter diet, and in the summer I give as much sunflower fresh gathered as will fill an egg-cup, or I cut a head of sunflower into 4 or 6 parts, and give one part each day, in addition to his ordinary seed. You will find feeding on sunflower seed, fresh gathered, will put a beautiful colour and bloom upon the feather.

(To be continued.)

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 115.)

THERE is little opportunity of preventing young birds picking up a bad tour of a tutor along with his good tours, unless the fault is sung at the end of the song. In whatever part of the song a fault is brought this is the least objectionable, for it gives the fancier a chance of dodging it. The fancier must make himself thoroughly conversant with the bird's song, so that he knows the precise moment when it will break off from its good tours to the faulty one. When the bird has sang all its good tours, and is about to break away to the imperfection, gently but quickly raise the hand to the front of the cage, this will cause the bird to stop singing.

Good, though Rather Tedious.

After singing a few times the bird can be removed from the room, and the process repeated as convenient. It is obvious that where this procedure is strictly followed the young will only hear the best portion of the tutor's song. I am fully cognisant that this modus operandi is rather a tedious one; I recommended it in CAGE BIRDS in 1912. How many fanciers adopted it I am unaware, but it is pleasing to note that one gentleman afterwards wrote me saying, "Your advice was opportune. I had my youngsters under a faulty singer, so resorted to your advised method, and managed to turn out a few faultless ones, these were amongst my winners at the first International Show." This fancier's birds were also amongst the winners at the second International Show.

A peculiarity in some young birds that cannot be either accounted for or explained, is that even where they are bred from a faulty singer and trained under it they do not sing his faulty tour, and it is often found in such a circumstance they will also leave out of their song one or more of their sire's and tutor's good tours. Such birds are rather the exception than the rule.

"Good Form" in the Young.

Reverting to the training, a difference is soon recognisable in the demeanour of the young cocks when they are put in the flight cages. Fanciers like to see their youngsters sit, or stand, quietly with closed beaks, rehearsing their immature song, a

sign which often foretells a good singer, but some in their studies will be conspicuous by the way they frequently open their beaks, and this often predicts faulty tours.

A third type are those that appear to be too full of vim to maintain one position for many moments, for after a short song they suddenly break, and will do anything that is detrimental to their progress in their studies. A little patience should be exercised with this type, for there is a possible chance that they may settle down in the song cage, and their early removal from the flight may have a beneficial effect toward this end. Personally, I have found the majority of this type to turn out disconnected singers, as their early demeanour in the flight predicted.

The caging off from the flight cages into the wire song cages or shutter cabinets, makes another step in the process of training. The reader will recollect that as a general rule an appropriate time to do this will be when the warbling is gradually fading away, and the tours and rolls commence to become distinguishable.

A Bird that "Barked."

It will not be unusual for some of the birds, in their endeavour to sing some of the tours, to utter queer and maybe objectionable sounds. These birds will require watching, as sometimes these sounds will establish themselves into a faulty tour, while with others the objectionable sound will gradually fade as the voice gets stronger, and a good tour will be established. I recollect an instance of this that is not entirely devoid of humour, a fancier informed me that one of his young birds was trying to imitate the bark of his dog, and he wondered if it was about to introduce a new tour. As the tour developed it proved to be the Hollow-Glucke, and not a "bow-wow" as my friend anticipated.

A method employed by some fanciers after transferring the young to the wire song cages is to place the cages side by side on a tier of shelves, until the birds are accustomed to the seed and water glasses. The cages are then separated by inserting pieces of cardboard between them, and after a little while they are placed inside the cabinets.

(To be continued.)

How the Birds Saved the Bridge

An Episode of the Great War Crisis.

HE was a funny little chap. Spidery red legs; long, hooked wings; brown, whitish-waistcoated body about the size of a Thrush; and thin skewer of a beak. He was in very truth a mud-lark, a haunter of the treacherous ooze of the estuary, a snatcher-up of trifles, a traveller of great distances, a telescopic-eyed marvel, a sharp-tongued piker into other people's business—a Redshank.

You beheld him running about on the mud-flats, a lump of mud to look at, what time the first thin clutching fingers of the rising tide began to creep and twine up the deep channels, and the boom of the sea on the "bar" rose an octave as token, and the day faded out even as you looked.

Now he would stop and aim at some marine worm, drawing his beak back and forth, as a fencer with a rapier, and then there was not a worm left. And next second he was up, had flung himself on wing, hurled aloft, whistling "Tyop; Tyo! Tyo-o!" at the top of his voice.

The Sleepers Awaken.

Up went the heads of the sleeping Gulls. Up went the heads of the probing Curlews. Up went the heads of the searching Plovers. Up went the heads of the foraging Shelducks. All the estuary for half a mile or more was put on the alert.

"Who goes there?"

Every whistle of the Redshanks, every inquiring eye of the alarmed birds, seemed to be saying it. Then: "He-oh! He-oh!" as up went the big Herring-gulls, one by one. "Pee-wit! Pee-e-wit!" as the wailing Plover flung aloft. "Cra-ank! Cra-ank!" as the big, lean, old Heron slowly got under way. "Cour-lip! Cour-lip!" as, one after the other, the fine curved-beaked Curlew threw themselves upwards in a string.

"Hang!" muttered the old Wildfowler, lifting his head from his hiding-place among the long, glaucous stems of the bent grass alongshore. But not at him was the Red-

shank, the spirit incarnate of the English estuary, challenging afar out over the silent flats. He was following the movements of something else along one of the deep-cut main channels, something the old Wildfowler could not see upon the shore, something that was moving, invisible, towards the railway-bridge over the channel to a mud island not five hundred yards from the mainland, which had assuredly done more to assist, and is doing more to assist, in the making of our great history than any other island in the world.

The Danger in the Boat.

"Ach!" snarled the crouched form in the flat-bottomed gunning-punt, as he slid his craft, paddling cautiously with one arm over side, up the main channel—a lane of darkness now in the all-but-extinguished light—towards the railway-bridge and its single shivering sentry.

But the unceasing warning "Tyo! Tyop!" of the indignant Redshank, who refused to leave the object of his alarm, never ceased, and never left off coming nearer.

Suddenly the sentry faced round. Realisation seemed to come to him in a flash. When he was on leave he was accustomed to go wild-fowling with a crazy muzzle-loading gun in Norfolk, where his home was. He knew the meaning of that shrill bird note. Something was coming up the channel, and it was against the law.

"Who goes there?"

The sharp human words rang forth clearly over the waters, and the Redshank yelled anew. "Bang!" The heavy report of the .303 rifle seemed to run and butt and shatter the silence all over the harbour, and come back again, but there was no need of a second shot. The man crouched in the body of the punt gave an odd cough, squirmed, kicked, said "Mein Gott!" and was still—quite dead.

And so the railway bridge was saved. The guard found enough explosives in that punt below to blow up two bridges—"Answers."

Correspondence.

To Be Or Not To Be at Gateshead.

SIR,—A meeting of the Gateshead and District C.B.S., will be held at Lockhart's Cafe, High Street, Gateshead, on Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 7.30, when all members are requested to attend, as the principal business will be a discussion upon the advisability or otherwise of holding an Open Show this year.

W. CURRY, Sec.

An Appeal to Newcastle and Tyneside Fanciers.

SIR,—Three weeks ago I made an appeal for 100 Canaries for the Lord Mayor of Newcastle's War Fund. I have also sent out over 130 circulars. Let me say, fellow fanciers, that this appeal is not only to members of the Newcastle Society, it is to every fancier in the district. I shall be pleased to receive promises from anyone. Let me ask again those who have not signified their intention of giving one or more Canaries to think the subject over again. Remember, it is for a noble cause; spare one bird to help to relieve the sufferings of those whom our brave soldiers have left behind whilst they have gone to fight for the very existence of our nation. I hope this poor appeal will awaken every true fancier to a sense of duty.

J. W. REED, Sec. N.C.B.S.

213, Ladykirk Road, Newcastle.

The Breeding of Mealworms.

SIR,—Seeing that a correspondent wants to know how to breed mealworms, I may say that I have a large tin of very nice ones which I have bred myself. I will do my best to show him how I bred them. It is very easy, only you want to have a bit of patience and wait for them to breed. I got a biscuit tin about 12 inches square, and bored a lot of holes in the top. Next I got 1s. 6d. worth of mealworms (1,000) as advertised in CAGE BIRDS. Then I bought 2lb. of barley meal, also got some old stocking feet. I mixed the meal and stocking feet together and put them in the tin. Then I put the mealworms into the tin. Some more stocking feet (old rags or anything woolly will do) I put on top, inside the tin. After putting the lid on, I placed the tin in a warm place and did not touch them again for about three months. Don't put them where it is too warm. If your correspondent will follow my instructions he will have more mealworms than he will ever want to use. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success; I find it very valuable to me.

JONATHAN BROOKS.

The Suggested National Cage Bird Show for Wales.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Jenkins re a Welsh National show, I would like to make it clear that the Cardiff C.B.S. do not want to run this show. The idea belongs to Mr. E. J. Banks, St. John's Square, Cardiff, and he would be pleased to hear from any fancier, giving their views. The idea roughly is for every society in Wales and Monmouthshire to discuss the matter and to elect a representative to attend a meeting, when the secretary could be appointed. If all societies take the matter up, the financial part could be easily arranged. Let it be clearly understood that this is to be a Welsh National Show. My suggestion is that after the committee have selected a town to hold the show in, they invite the local society to help in the staging, unpacking, and other general work in connection with a show. Mr. Lloyd James has written to me offering a subscription, also promising a silver cup for the British section. Now, fanciers, let us have your news. I should like to hear from Messrs. Longden, Nicholas, Tedstone, G. T. Jones, Maggs, Hitchings, Heal, Jeffries, Richards (Narberth), also all the secretaries of cage-bird societies in Wales and Monmouthshire. Something must be done to "stop the rot."

E. THOMAS.

Support from Swansea.

SIR,—I see that the Cardiff C.B.S. intends abandoning the annual show this year. Such a proceeding is incomprehensible to me, as I, and the majority of Welsh Canary breeders, have always considered the Cardiff society as practically the "hub of the wheel," and I am sure that this step will occasion universal regret. Thanks to the magnificent efforts of the officials, with Mr. E. Thomas at the helm, and the co-operation of its members, Cardiff show of last year was unsurpassed, and in the Canary section was even ahead of the Palace show, hence my keen disappointment at its abandonment.

I have much pleasure in congratulating Mr. Banks, regarding his suggestion of a Welsh National Show. The idea is truly a splendid one, and I trust that all cage birds organisations in Wales will amalgamate and come to an early decision, so as to prevent deterioration of the Fancy here. I would like to emphasise the need of an early decision, as there

is a danger of fanciers allowing their birds to flight, instead of colour-feeding them. This would inevitably be the case, should there be no prospect of a show; in fact, I know of a few such cases here already. I will render all possible aid to the cause, as well as contribute to the list of "specials."

In the case of the suggested Welsh National show, so as to effectively guard against the possibility of losses, the date should be very judiciously chosen. Exhibitors do not belong to the leisured classes, but are pre-eminently working men, and consequently the date should be fixed to suit their convenience. Midweek fixtures have proved a continual failure, times out of number; so why not try a weekend show, either on a Friday and Saturday, or a Saturday and Monday? Very little extra expense would be incurred by such an arrangement, and as the majority of exhibitors generally terminate their week's duties at noon on Saturday, they would naturally attend the show, which I unhesitatingly venture to predict would prove an unparalleled success. I would further suggest that the date be fixed to correspond with that of a good football match or some notable event; thus fanciers could travel at greatly moderated prices by excursion trains. If the time and financial positions of the exhibitors are duly taken into consideration, we need fear no deterioration in the Fancy, but can look forward to the Welsh National Show as an immovable institution.

Swansea.

ALF. HITCHINGS.

A Reminder from Llanelly.

SIR,—Ro the letters from Mr. E. J. Banks and Mr. D. Jenkins, I am quite in accord with them, but believe that it is too late for this year. An important matter is the date. I see in Mr. Banks' letter the second or third week in January suggested. I hope that he has not overlooked Llanelly show, which is booked for January 12. I am calling a meeting of my members for next Saturday to decide if our show is to be carried on as usual. I do not believe that the "rot" has set in with our Society; the Llanelly fanciers, whose show is one of the largest held in Wales confined to cage birds only, I think are game enough to carry on the business as usual. It has been named the great one-day international show of Wales, and we have the patronage of the Southern Border Fancy Canary Club, also the British Bird and Mule Club. We have it on the agenda for this meeting to give the proceeds, after paying all expenses, to some fund most needy at the time.

DANIEL JOHN.

Hon. Sec., Llanelly C.B.S.

Generous Help Soon Forthcoming.

SIR,—I was particularly pleased to read the letter from Mr. D. Jenkins, of Border Fancy fame, and I know that he will do all he can in and around Swansea to promote a Welsh National show. Mr. E. Thomas has also handed me a splendid patriotic letter from that enthusiastic British bird fancier, Mr. W. P. Lloyd James. Just fancy, a subscription of two guineas and also a silver cup to be competed for; why, it is only necessary to have a dozen offers like this and the Welsh National show is an assured success. If every society in Wales would subscribe two guineas towards the show fund it would create that personal interest among the members which is so necessary in a national movement.

I should like to review the working of such a show, but I consider it would be far better to discuss this matter at a meeting when all societies interested could speak for themselves and then co-operate with the Welsh National Show Committee, which should be representative of all societies in Wales. It is very necessary at the present moment to rouse Welsh fanciers from the state of lethargy into which they seem to have fallen. Some fanciers consider that a Welsh National show is "too big a thing to tackle." Well, all I can say is that such a show will never take place with such lukewarm enthusiasm. I would remind these fanciers that they owe it as a duty individually, not only to Welsh cage bird breeding, but to the Fancy generally, to help all they can the idea of a Welsh National Show.

E. J. BANKS.

(Copy of Mr. Lloyd James's Letter.)

Dear Mr. Thomas,—I think the idea of a Welsh National Show an excellent one, and we should all do our utmost to further it. Providing a suitable place can be obtained, I feel sure that with good classification, especially in the British Section, and with full prize money guaranteed, no cancelling of classes, and qualified judges, it would be a big success and an annual event. I regret that I live so far away as to be unable to give my personal services and attention, and I feel that the only thing I can do is to offer £3 2s. as a subscription to the National Show (or I will guarantee any two classes that may be appointed). I will also give a silver cup to be competed for as I shall arrange later. I trust to hear from you on the subject and that the matter will be successfully discussed in the columns of CAGE BIRDS.

W. F. LLOYD JAMES.

A Cure for "Going Light."

SIR,—I should be very glad if any fancier would kindly give me a certain cure for Canaries and British birds "going light." I have lost a number of Britishers last year, and have tried all sorts of "cures," but all failed.

G. RONSON.

Notes on the Rock Thrush.

(See Illustration, page 183.)

SIR,—It is with great pleasure I comply with your request to send you a few notes about my Rock-Thrush, a likeness of which by that skilled artist of bird-life, Mr. Goodchild, is to be reproduced in this week's issue of CAGE BIRDS.

I think it was in 1886 when I exhibited my first Rock Thrush at the Westminster Aquarium; this bird unfortunately came to grief through someone (out of kindness) giving it a piece of cheese to eat, and it was not until last year, when travelling on the Continent, that I espied in a dealer's shop the object of these notes.

Carniola, Montenegro, Bosnia, Turkey, and the Western part of India, are the home of the Rock-Thrush, and in these countries he lives in company with the Blue-Thrush in the lonely crags and valleys of the mountains, and is often found among old ruins.

His solitary life makes the bird rather shy, and adults take sometimes two years before they become really tame, whereas young birds, hand-reared, and obtainable in July and August, make excellent pets, and become very steady and much attached to their keeper.

In Austria Rock Thrushes are frequently met with as cage birds, and it is a pity that they are not more frequently imported into this country, as not only is the beautiful contrast of colour in their plumage (a bluish grey head and neck, carrying off well the bright orange coloured breast) a great recommendation, but they are easily catered for, as they will do well on the usual food for Thrushes. Their song is very sweet, and not too loud for the room. They are splendid imitators of other birds' songs, which they mingle with their own notes, and I once had a bird who gave the call of the Chaffinch to perfection.

There is one matter in their keeping which requires great attention, and that is the feet. As they spend nearly all their time on the

ground, they should have a piece of rock or stone at the cage bottom to stand on, and the perch they mostly rest on should be covered with Paris plaster, as wooden perches seem to keep their feet too warm, and make them tender. Very often a bad condition of the feet is the result of too rich a diet, and, unless the bird is in song, meal-worms should be given sparingly.

OTTO PUCK.

Combined Show of Specialist Clubs Suggested for Scotland.

SIR,—Seeing so many societies in Scotland have abandoned their annual open shows for the season, either through inability to procure a suitable hall, or disinclination to risk it from the financial point of view, the idea has struck me that the various specialist clubs in Scotland might combine and have a central show in, say, Edinburgh, at some date in November. I am sure that if a meeting were called, and delegates sent from every specialist club, a very successful show could be got up, with advantage and pleasure to all fanciers. Exhibitors, like myself, must feel like fishes out of water under the forced inactivity that lies before us. Another point is that while no shows are being held, we cannot be certain how far a variety has progressed or gone back; we want a few shows where this season's champions meet, along with last year's winners. I am afraid that each variety, and the fanciers who breed them, will suffer in consequence. It is well known that all cannot take an active part in fighting our country's foes, and much as one would wish to be in the thick of it, age and other infirmities compel many to stay on in their usual employment. Therefore if we cannot help our country by giving our services, let us do the next best thing possible as fanciers, and hold as many shows as possible. All monies over working expenses should be given to the Prince of Wales National Fund. Those of us who could afford it would no doubt give all prize money as well. I am sure that all would act a part to help a show of this kind carried to a successful issue. I will be at Loanhead and in Edinburgh all this week-end, and will be happy to meet with anyone who may join in with my suggestion.

Chirnside.

J. PATTERSON.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL."

Leinster O.S. Hopeful of Holding Show in the New Year.

SIR,—At a meeting of my committee held on Tuesday last, it was unanimously decided to postpone our show until after the new year, when if all goes well we shall hope to hold it at the end of January or early in February. Our contract to spend the 25s. in advertising will be adhered to by my committee.

C. HOLLEY.

A Chance for Scotch Fanciers.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Edinburgh Ornithological Open Association, held Oct. 3rd, it was unanimously agreed to go on with our annual show on November 21st. We hope that fanciers throughout the country will support us. The following judges have agreed to officiate: A. Paterson, Edinburgh; J. Carson; Easthouses; G. A. Stewart, Glasgow; G. Park, Govan, and P. Kean (for Belgians).

R. LILE, Sec.

15, Argyll Terrace, Edinburgh.

Cockermouth Upholds Cumberland's Reputation.

SIR,—At a special meeting of the Cocker-mouth F.S., held last week, it was unanimously decided to hold an open show on November 28th. So far as is known, we appear to be the only society in Cumberland willing to venture. We recognise the risks, and by a graduated scale of prize money we ask exhibitors, for whom we cater, to share them. Through the courtesy of our previously selected judges, whose fees were high, we have been enabled to cancel their engagements and obtain the services of competent local men at low figures—in some cases bare expenses. We also have to submit a reduced classification, but hope nevertheless to have a first-class show.

G. W. OGLETHORPE, Chairman.

Halifax O.S. Going Ahead with 25th Annual Show.

SIR,—The members of the Halifax Ornithological Society, at their meeting on Oct. 3rd, at the Plummet Line Hotel, decided to hold their annual open show, which will be their semi-jubilee, at the Friendly and Trades Hall, on Nov. 20 and 21, the dates previously decided upon, and there will be no amalgamation with any other Society. They also decided upon their classification: Eight open Yorks., eight open novice Yorks., six open Nor., four open novice Nor., three Brit., and two selling classes. The prize money will be 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s. and 1s. 6d. (five prizes) and all prize money guaranteed.

HARRY CLEGG, Sec.

45, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax.

Falkirk Good Intent Holding On.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Falkirk Good Intent C.B.A., Sept. 26, it was decided to go on with our annual show to be held Dec. 12. As the season is getting on, I should be glad if intending members would kindly forward their contributions at their earliest convenience (books still open). Next meeting Oct. 31. New members admitted up to 15 miles radius.

WALTER CLARKSON, Sec.

130, Victoria Place, Falkirk.

The Manchester and N.C.O.S. Out to do its Best.

SIR,—The Manchester and N.C.O.S. have engaged the Co-operative Hall, Downing St., for their show on Oct. 31st. This hall is within easy reach of all railway stations, and will be far more comfortable, for both birds and exhibitors, than the room at Belle-Vue. Schedules will be ready by the 10th inst., and will be sent to all known exhibitors. We have decided to hand over any profits on the show to the Relief Fund, so I hope that fanciers will do their best to make the show a success. We have a show committee of keen fanciers who will do their utmost for the welfare of the exhibitors and to keep up the high standard of efficiency of the "Pioneer" Manchester Society.

F. HAYWARD, Hon. Sec.

21, Marlborough Avenue, Manley Park, Manchester.

Abersychan's Record Meeting Decides to Hold Show.

SIR,—At the Abersychan and Dist. C.B.S. meeting held Oct. 3, when a record number of members turned up, it was decided that the open show should be held on the day fixed, Dec. 3 next. We ask for all the support fanciers can give us. We have one of the best halls in the district, and fanciers can rest assured that their exhibits will receive every care at the hands of capable fanciers. We have secured the services of that well-known judge, Mr. H. W. Battye, so we hope fanciers will rally round and make this show a great success. The society is open to all, and they can compete for members' specials; entrance fee 1s., 6d. per month subs.

FRED SWEETING, Hon. Sec.

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(G. H. W.)

not have much difficulty in making a good guess at the sex of birds from the same nest, but from a batch bred from different parents the difference in colour is no sure guide, the birds from one nest being frequently much richer than from another. If you keep them over the moult their song and general appearance should assist you in making your selection. As a rule with Mules cock birds are in the majority.

SINGING BIRDS FOR AVIARY (D. Christopher-son).—The following birds would be suitable to turn into your aviary: Cock Goldfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Chaffinch, Yellow Bunting, a Linnet or Goldfinch-Canary Mule, and during the summer months a stout cock Canary. You could also add a couple of Singing Finches, or one or two of the brighter coloured small Foreign seed eaters. You would get plenty of song from the British birds and hybrids, so that you need not trouble about your Foreign birds being singers. All you would require is to make sure that they are seed eaters. Do not overcrowd. You will have better results with the number I give you.

FEEDING LINNET-CANARY MULES (Bosco, Watford).—Make up the following seed mixture for your Linnet-Canary Mules: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape 1 part, linseed 1 part. Give a few cracked sunflowers twice a week, and should they at any time be a bit backward in song, a spoonful of cracked hemp occasionally will be of great assistance. Do not forget to supply them with green food and the seeding tops of any wild plants you can procure, the favourites are shepherd's purse, chickweed, sow thistle and groundsel. (2) If you make a mixture of equal quantities of sand and roughly out sawdust I think you will find it will answer your purpose. If the sand is just the slightest bit damp it will prevent the sawdust from being thrown out of the cages. Another material is slightly damped coco-nut fibre, which you can purchase from the florist's, but whatever you use you are sure to have some litter; you can prevent it in part by stretching muslin across the lower part of the cage front.

FEEDING A BULLFINCH (Gunning).—The fact that you find books giving advice upon the feeding of Bullfinches very valuable is a proof to you that there is no "proper method," because the articles

are mostly written by men who have had considerable experience in the keeping of Mules; but I think you will find that although the writers may differ in the exact quantities of seed advised, the general treatment of each species is the same. In regard to the Bullfinches I have found the following treatment successful. As staple food: Two parts canary, one each of teazle and summer rape. Hemp seed should be given very sparingly; in fact, it need not be used at all if the bird is allowed a few sunflowers daily. A spoonful of a good brand of wild seed mixture given once or twice a week is very acceptable. So much for hard seed, but I always think that the real success of keeping the Bullfinch in health and condition is in the free use one is able to make of the wild seeds and fruits

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3/4d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

gathered in the open. Just now the following are plentiful and are greatly relished. Shepherd's purse, groundsel, chickweed, sow thistle, dock, thistle, grass, etc., also berries of black bryony, rowan, blackberries and privet. The latter can be collected and kept in water or wet sand for several days, and a spray of them given the birds daily. The Bullfinch should be kept in a cage not less than 18 inches in length, and should be allowed to bathe frequently.

THE SINGING LINNET (A. Thompson).—If you are anxious for your young Linnets to have the Linnet song only it is necessary for them to hear a good bird of their own species. Linnets, like the majority of our song birds, will mimic any bird they hear, and I understand that purity of song is one of the chief points in birds used for contest singing. I fear you will have some difficulty in getting an old tutor just now, as most birds are in moult. I think your best plan would be to buy two or three wild caught birds, keep them in fairly small cages, and let the young birds hear them. They may not sing much for some time, but if they do only a few notes it will assist the young ones to keep to the wild song. The Mule should be taken right away from them out of hearing, so as to give them the opportunity of forgetting his song entirely. (2) Make the following mixture for staple food: Three parts canary, 2 parts teazle, 1 part each of rape and linseed. Make another mixture of gold of pleasure, niger, plantain, sesame and thistle, 2oz. of each; give a teaspoonful three times a week. A little lightly cracked hemp twice a week will soon bring them into song.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

SICKNESS (E. E.).—It is most difficult to deal with such a case by post, and the best course for you to take is to let your local vet. see it, though personally I consider the kindest proceeding would be to have it painlessly destroyed—your chemist would chloroform it for you. It is evident the bird's internal system is all wrong. It is really a case which one needs to see before attempting to prescribe any treatment, and as the bird is not well enough to undertake a journey, these are the only two courses open to you as stated above. The eye trouble is, I think, merely consequent or part of the ear trouble. Of course it is possible that upon being examined the case may not be so serious as appears to me from your letter, and the vet. may be able to give the bird immediate relief, and prescribe curative treatment. I am sorry I cannot give you definite help, but the probability is one would only complicate matters by treating per post. You were not entitled to a reply per post, as you will see by reference to the rules; but as the case is urgent, a reply has been sent you.

GREY JAVA SPARROWS (R. Keer).—(1) Canary and white millet seeds, green food, grit, cuttlebone and water. A little paddy rice and crushed oats may be supplied in a separate tin. (2) Dissolve 10 grains of sulphate of soda and 2 grains of sulphate of iron, in three ounces of distilled water (your chemist will mix for you). Get a glass drinking vessel, holding about one ounce of water, and put half a teaspoonful of the above mixture into the vessel and fill up with water (other water, i.e., plain water, not to be supplied), this to form the bird's drinking water for the next fourteen days, of course renewing the supply daily or oftener if required. Follow this by putting 10 drops of syrup of hypophosphates into the water daily for three weeks or a bit longer.

LEAVING OUT OF DOORS (H. C.).—Providing your county is not a northern one, and the base of the aviary is reasonably dry, all the birds you name should safely pass the winter out of doors. Of course, if the whole of your roof, except the screened end, is open netting, it will be better to tack felt over the roof and keep it there till mid-April, and also to treat the east end and three feet of the front adjoining the east end in the same manner. You can easily keep the felt in position, by laying it in position and screwing a length of thin laths over it at suitable distances; it is then easily removed when spring comes round

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Barry F. and F.S.—Oct. 14, Headquarters, 8. Fixing date and classification of members' show. Profits to War Fund. Cage bird men please attend.—H. P. Thomas.

Bokenham F.A.—Oct. 15, Co-op. Hall, Penge. Special general meeting. Annual show.—F. Shorter. (Time not stated.—Ed.)

Rolton Roller C.S.—Oct. 13, Joiners' Arms, 8. Show business.—J. Kilshaw.

Bradford National Show Committee.—Oct. 14, Market Tavern, 8 p.m. Important show bus. Good attendance desired.—S. Midgley.

City of Bradford O.S.—Oct. 10, Flying Dutchman, 8 prompt. Open show business. Election of working committee.—W. Helliwell.

Boldon Colliery C.B.S.—Oct. 10, The Institute, 6.20. Special meeting; open show business, etc. We give fanciers in 5 mile radius a hearty invitation to join; subs. 2/6.—J. Stephenson.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Oct. 10, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. Important.—F. P. Terry.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Oct. 14, Headquarters, 7.30. Musical evening. Members, fanciers, and friends invited.—W. H. Gibb.

British Roller C.C.—Oct. 13, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 8.—J. W. Norris.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Oct. 15, Maskells Hotel, 8. Make arrangements for members' show.—E. Thomas.

Chester-le-Street, Birtley, and Pelton Fell (Amal.).—Oct. 10, Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, 6. Review of schedule for annual show and table show; Classes: Nor. Yell. Cinn. Buff. Bord. Yell. Goldie or Bullie F.M.; Siskin or Redpoll F.M.—R. Ward.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Club Hall, 7.—W. H. Christer.

Chorley C.B.S.—Oct. 14, White Iron Inn, 7.30. Final arrangements for show in November, and other business.—J. H. Welch, 13, Devonsire Road, Chorley, Lancs.

Clydebank C.B.C.—Oct. 15, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Classification for annual show, and other important bus.—Wm. Kane.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Plough Hotel, Queen Victoria Road, 8.30. Important show bus.—F. Green.

Dubmire Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Dubmire Workmen's Club, 7. Special business.—G. T. Lynn.

Darlington C.B.S.—Oct. 14, George Hotel, 7.30. Important bus. for local show.—H. Todd.

Denton C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Headquarters, 8. Annual show and other special business. Members please try to attend this meeting, as show is Nov. 22.—W. Hopwood.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Fixing date for old bird show, etc.—W. Dawson.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Headquarters, 7.30. Important show business. Subs. overdue.—W. Curry.

Grangemouth C.B.S.—Oct. 11, Reid's, 16, Kelvin Street, Grangemouth, 3. Most important, cup business.—J. Woodhouse.

Great Horton O.S.—Oct. 10, Butchers' Arms, 8.—J. Holroyd.

Halifax O.S.—Oct. 10, Plummet Line Hotel, 7. Members' show at Plummet Line Hotel. Birds staged at 7. Judge, Mr. E. Clegg, Dewsbury (all cocks).—H. Clegg.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Oct. 17, White Lion Hotel, 7. Important.—R. H. Dixon.

Huddersfield O.S.—Oct. 12, Headquarters, 8. Table show. 6 Classes Yorks, 2 Norwich. Judge, Mr. C. Morrison, Brighouse.—A. Lawford.

Hyde C.B.S.—Oct. 13, St. George's School, 8. Annual and Amalgamation show bus.—T. Allsop.

Idle C.B.S.—Oct. 10, White Bear Inn, 3. Members' show; judge, Mr. J. Reid. Specials best vhc birds. Entries Friday night, 8 till 10.—C. E. Hylton.

Ilkerton C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Bridge Inn, Awsworth Road, 7. Important.—G. Siddow.

Keighley and Dis. C.B.S.—Oct. 13, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Stewards for show.—C. W. Town.

once more, when it can be rolled up, and, together with the laths, stowed away for another winter's use.

ZEBRA DOVES (Notts County).—The description of the male is sketchily as follows: Front part of head and throat, ashy-grey; hind part of crown and head, reddish (vinous). The general body

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Ariaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3/4d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 14 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

colouring is brown and brownish-grey, more or less barred with narrow black lines, mostly confined to the upper parts; breast, pale vinous, abdomen, pale buffish-white. The hen is a little smaller than the male and her hind-head is less reddish than that of her mate.

GREEN AMAZON (G. Hille).—If the bird is tame the sore at the side of the mouth should be washed with a weak tepid solution of Condy's Fluid, dabbed dry with a soft cloth, and then lightly anointed with a little zinc ointment. Put a little honey and borax into the bird's mouth once or twice daily; this can usually be done by putting a little on the end of a stick, which the bird will generally bite at when placed against its mouth, but you'll be able to arrange method yourself according to the demeanour of your particular bird. Whatever is used it must be cleansed each time before being put into the paste. For three consecutive days put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water, and then after a week's interval repeat the treatment; follow this latter by putting half a teaspoonful of hypophosphates in the water daily for a month or so. Diet: In addition to the seed mixture, supply such extras as shelled nuts, ripe fruit, stale crusts, biscuits. Grit and cuttlebone must be continually in the cage.

WHAT BIRD? ETC. (R.H.M.S.).—(1) It is most probably either a hen Weaver or Whydab, or may

Lalaterdyke B.F.A.—Oct. 10, Railway Hotel, First old feather show; birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. W. Moreman.—W. H. Symes.

Leigh C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Railway Hotel, 7.45.—R. Charleston.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Headquarters, 8. Show bus. (rose bowl on view for back-end show). Subs. due.—J. K. Windle.

Llanelli C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Greyhound Hotel, 9. To decide if show is to be carried on, and other important matters.—D. John.

London and P.O.S.—Oct. 15, The Raglan, Aldersgate Street, 8. Washing demonstration by Messrs. J. W. Ramsden and J. Hodder, also competition for members. Medals given. All welcome; admission free.—C. W. Law.

London C.B.A.—Oct. 13, El Vino, 3, Piccadilly Place, 8. General business; washing exhibition by Mr. W. H. Cook, and washing competition. F. Knight.

London Fed. of C.B.S.—Oct. 9, The El Vino, 3, Piccadilly Place, 8.15. Ordinary bus., and arrange programme for season.—J. C. Birch.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Oct. 15, Kildonon Hall, 8. Washing exhibition, and business of annual show. Members please forward subs. that are now overdue.—H. F. Bowring.

Middleton C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting re back-end show. Election of judge, also lecture by Mr. Schofield on The Canary in General. Fanciers welcome.—J. Hutton.

Nelson, Colne C.B.S.—Oct. 13, Mr. Fulton's, 117, Every Street, Nelson, 8. Old show, etc.; important.—D. Watts.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Oct. 15, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Special meeting, members' show business. Selection of judges, etc. Subs. overdue. Note change of meeting room.—J. W. Reed.

Northern C.C.—Oct. 14, Lockharts, 65, Grainger Street, Newcastle, 7.30. Granting of patronage to members' shows applying.—G. Dobson.

North London C.B.A.—Oct. 14, Headquarters, 8. Washing competition. Please note alteration of address.—P. Jeffries, 6, Holmdale Road, Stamford Hill, N.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Oct. 13, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. To receive sub-committee's report on holding an amalgamated societies' members' show.—J. G. Royce.

Openshaw Gorton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Alhambra Club-rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Schedule, table show, judge, etc., subs. due.—A. W. Newton.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Headquarters, 7. To consider the Welsh National Show. A lecture will be given by Mr. J. Challenger.—J. S. Jones.

Rawtenstall and Dis. F.S.—Oct. 13, Mission Room, Hall Street, Rawtenstall, at 7.30. Cage bird show. Fanciers kindly welcomed, and invited to become members.—H. Kershaw.

Skipton C.B.S.—Oct. 12, Friendly Societies' Hall, 8. Arrangements for November show.—E. Gill.

South Moor C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 7. Important. Schedules ready.—G. F. Bates.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Wharfe Hotel. Show for unlighted birds. Birds staged 7. Judge, Mr. W. Spencer, Hebden Bridge.—G. Mitchell.

Stanley (Victoria) F.F. and C.B.S.—Oct. 11, Club-room, 6.30. Schedule for show, and a pen meeting at 6.—W. Elliott.

Springburn Possil Park C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Reid Hall, 8. Lecture on British Birds by Mr. M. Craig, and annual show business.—T. Penman.

Tong C.B.S.—Oct. 13, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45. Open show business. Open show subscription cards to be brought in.—W. Walker.

Walton, Everton C.B.S.—Oct. 14, Priory Grove, 8. Old show business.—Robinson and Burns.

Wigan Roller C.C.—Oct. 10, Queen's Head, 7.30. Business important.—P. Greenall.

Wakefield Roller C.C.—Oct. 12, Elephant and Castle Inn, 8. Subs. now due.—H. Roebuck.

Wallaseid Mid-Tyne C.B.A.—Oct. 14, Station Hotel, 7. Very important show business; members please come early as we have to be out at 9.—G. Greenwell.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Oct. 10, Horse and Groom Inn, 6. First old bird show. Judge, Mr. W. Taylor, Halifax. Birds staged at 6.—W. Chapman.

Wingate F.S.—Oct. 10, The Institute, 7. Very important business regarding the show; all fanciers within six miles' radius please attend.—J. Burdett.

Yorks. C.B.S.—Oct. 12, All Saints Schoolroom, 8. Special meeting, to try and arrange for an open show. Members please attend.—V. Zimmermann.

possibly be a young male out of colour. The females of many species of Weaver are so near alike that they are very difficult to place, and almost impossible to define by a written description, unless such be of a very careful and complete character. (2) Yes, it is now too late to put birds outside and leave them out, unless they have come from some outdoor aviary, where they have been out all the summer. If birds (foreign species) are put out later than mid-July, it is taking undue risks to leave them out during the first winter, though if it be a mild one, they may survive.

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E. D. Ballard.—Impaction of the proventriculus and bowels. Do not feed the parent birds on small seed only; give a little coarse oatmeal, white millet, and only very sparingly of canary seed. Allow plenty of coarse gritty sand. The trouble must be due to some error in feeding.

T. H. Hartford.—Bird was in perfect health, not slightest evidence of disease. Death occurred from an injury to the head. Under the black mark you mentioned was a large clot of blood, and the skull was indented, both ante mortem occurrences.

J. C. O.—Pneumonia, very acute. The liver was to a slight degree in a condition of fatty degeneration. Owing to the necessity of careful examination, it would have been useless to you for the purpose required.

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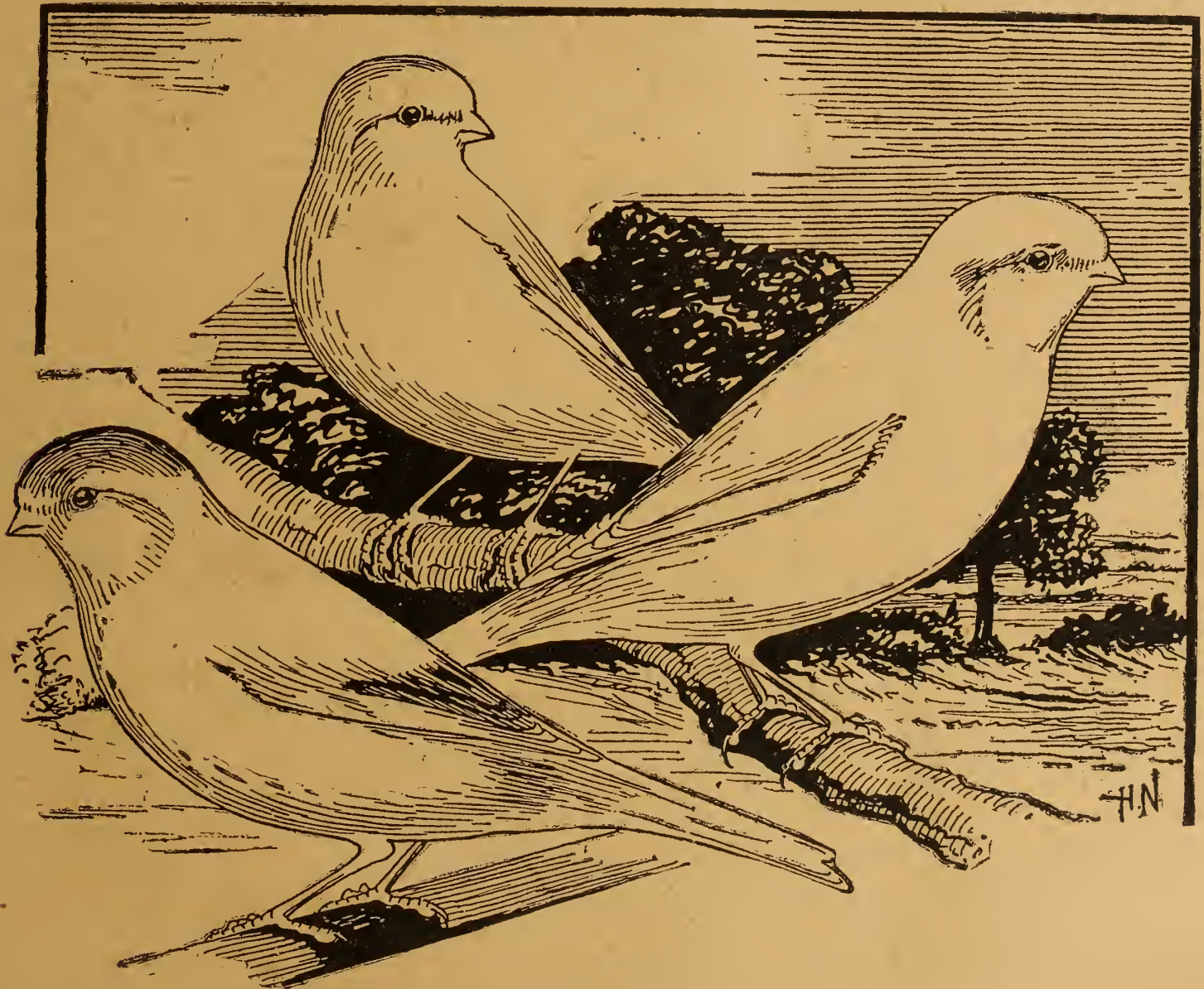
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Guaranteed cock Goldfinches, Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-; dozen 12/-; Linnets, 8d., 1/-, dozen 4/-; Larks, 6d., dozen 3/-; Mules, Canaries, 5/-; show specimens; Siskin, 5/-; Yellow Hammer, Greenfinch, Chaffinch; Irwin's Aviaries, Lurgan. (1794)

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Linnets.—Warranted cock Brown Linnets, well on seed, fit for showing or singing competitions, 3/6 dozen, or four dozen for 12/-; special picked birds, fit for showing or mulling, 1/- each, three for 2/6; hen Linnets, 1/- dozen; English cock Goldfinches, in full colour, 16/- dozen; special selected birds, full song, 2/6 each or three for 6/-; hens, 8/- dozen; no Irish rubbish; dealers write for lists: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-pl., Bethnal Green, London. (1817)

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I have on hand extra large Worcestershire Goldfinches, thoroughly on hard seed, warranted cocks, 1/6, three 4/-, six 7/-, 12/- dozen, two dozen 23/-; specially selected cock Goldfinches, in song, 2/-, 2/6 each, three 5/-, six 8/6, 16/- dozen; clear moulted cock Goldfinches, steady, ready to show at once, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each, impossible to get better; hen Goldfinches 1/-, three 2/-, 6/- dozen. I have a large stock of Larks, Chaffinches, and Rose Red-breasted cock Linnets, all warranted cocks, 6d., three 1/3, six 2/-, 3/6 dozen; specially selected Larks, Chaffinches and Linnets for showing or contest singing, 1/-, three 2/-, 4/6 dozen; 2 year old cock Linnets, in song, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each; hen Linnets, hen Chaffinches, 3d. each, 1/3 dozen; cock Greenfinches 6d., three 1/2, 2/- dozen; selected yellow cocks for showing, 1/-, three 2/-; Yellowhammers, cocks, 9d., three 2/-, selected 1/- each; hen Yellowhammers, 4d. each; Redpolls 6d., three 1/3, 3/3 dozen; selected, 1/- each; cages for the above, 6d., 9d., 1/- each; trap cages, 6d., 9d. each; double trap cages, 1/- each; all on approval; cash or deposit, and money returned if not perfectly satisfied; travelling cages, 3d. each: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (1817)

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THREE hand-reared Jays in aviary, 3/6 each: H. Phair, Alresford, Hants. (1817)

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BELLEFINCH cock, 2/-; two hens, 1/- each; also few cock Canaries, best strains, singing, 3/6 to 7/6: Smith, 4, Chapel-st., Longridge, Preston, Lancs. (1812)

COCK Bramblefinch, 2nd Headless Cross last week, 5/-; wanted exhibition Welsh Goldfinch for cash: Bernard Robinson, Heathfield-rd., Wbleath, Redditch. (1817)

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LINNETS, red-breasted Cambridge cocks, warranted, 2/- doz.; selected birds 2/6 doz.; cock Goldfinches, 1/3 each; one doz. mixed aviary birds, including cock Goldie, 2/6: Rendle, 21, Bridge-street, Homerton. (1816)

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FOR winning Borders, state requirements, or see list: Rudd, Specialist, Nqrwich. (1817)

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NOTICE—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

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1914 YELLOW Norwich Green hens, 6/- each; fowl buff cocks 12/6 each, best Liverpool blood; approval, deposit: McNaughton, Weald, College-rd., Harrow Weald, Middlesex. (1817)

YORKSHIRE Greens, cocks, 2 buff, self, 1 yellow, fowl tail; hens, 2 buff, self, 1 yellow, fowl head. These 6 birds were the pick of W. Walker's birds last June, and cost a big figure. Accept £3 or useful exchange; no live stock; approval, deposit: G. Beven, 664, Barnsley-rd., Sheffield. (1817)

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Norwich.

BREEDER'S CARD.

J. HODGER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of diplomas of honour, silver cups and medals, etc.; some fine birds ready at prices to suit all; approval; stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Lukes, London, E.C. (1818)

FRANK F. LAWSON, Norwich Specialist, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle.—Grand lot of young birds for sale, also fine big year-old cocks and hens, fit to win; stamped inquiries solicited. (1818)

WANTED, Norwich: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

NINE good Norwich, 5 cocks, 4 hens, yellow and buff, £2; Walker, 240, Kingston-rd., Hampton Wick. (1812)

HENS 3/6 each; one variegated 5/-; cocks 10/- each, 1913; or exchange: S. Large, 59, Sprules-rd., Brockley. (1816)

NORWICH cocks 4/6, 6/6, 7/6, and 10/6, hens 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1813)

THREE Norwich hens, packed, 7/-, cost 4/6 each last year: White, 69, Deacon-rd., King's-on-Thames. (1808)

WANTED, two pairs large Norwich, exchange lady's solid silver watch; sell £1: Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1816)

GIVING UP, handsome pair Norwich Canaries in double-breeding cage, bargain, 15/-: 33, Henry-rd., W.B., Nottingham. (1810)

SELL 1914 Norwich, cocks 4/6, 5/6, hens 2/-, 3/6; 1913 Yorkshire cock, 8/6; Clarke, 67, Duke-st., Creswell, nr. Mansfield. (1813)

ONE buff cock, 7/-; 1 yellow, 8/6; 5 hens, 10/-; lovely tame cock Bullfinch, 3/-; all cold-room: Saxton, Library, Grays. (1810)

EIGHT Goldfinch Mules, singing, 6/- and 6/6; 2 Norwich Canaries, 7/6 each: T. Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdeen, Glam. (1813)

FORTY Norwich, large cocks, in song, 5/-, 6/-; hens, 2/-, 2/6; healthy birds; Pidgeon, 109, Fairbridge-rd., Holloway. (1810)

A CHANCE seldom offering. Six exceptionally good yellow hens, well bred, grand size and type, over moult, lovely condition, not colour fed, £5 the lot, one hen alone is worth three pounds: G. E. Weston, 2, Lewisham-rd., London, N.W. (1812)

TWO var. yellow hens, clear buff var. buff cocks, £1 pair; approval; see Crests: E. Blake, 24, Forest-rd., Cheshunt, Herts. (1812)

GRAND Norwich, moulted, large, grand type, good heads, some winners, cheap; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1790)

BY noted Norwich, few ready for early shows, cheap; state wants; approval: C. Roberts, Stannahy, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1815)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

GOOD Norwich cocks from 7/6; hens, 3/-; seen any time; husband called up for service: Mrs. Staines, 47, Leighton-rd., Kentish Town, N.W. (1812)

GRAND young Norwich cock Canary, charming songster, accept 4/-, including cage: Miss Jones, Harlech House, George-st., Aberystwyth. (1814)

PAIR exceptionally fine Norwich Canaries, prize winners, cards sent, 21/- only, or 3/- deposit, and 3/- monthly, after delivery: Walter Dandle, Osgathorpe, Sheffield. (1813)

HAVING had good season; twelve pairs small Norwich, just the sort for beginners; splendid breeders, 7/- pair, cash: Bishop, 5, Beechcroft-terrace, Maybank-rd., South Woodford. (1817)

VARDY'S strain, grand Norwich, hens from 4/6, cocks from 7/6; one buff marked hen, grand type and quality, 7/6; one yellow, topper, 10/-; money returned if not satisfied: G. Nelson, 18, Chester-st., Rugby. (1811)

SEVERAL grand flighted and unflighted yellows and buffs, winners in keen competition; all my winners and youngsters for sale; approval; all risks taken on rule; the greatest Norwich specialist: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (1817)

LARGE colour-fed 1914 Norwich cocks, yellows and buffs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/- each; natural colour cocks, 5/6, 6/6 each; large Norwich hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; approval deposit: A. J. Underwood, Corn Merchant, Wellington-st., Kettering. (1812)

A. J. HAWKES, winner of diplomas, challenge cups and thousands of other prizes, has some clinking young Norwich, also few 1913 specimens of exceptional merit, now ready for immediate showing, prices to suit all; 7 days' approval: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1817)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/1, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-street, London

VARDY'S noted champion strain, clear yellow cock, 1913 bred, can win nice shows, 50/-; also good variegated yellow, can win, 40/-, 1913 bred; also good variegated buff, 1913 bred, very cobby, 30/-; also extra good buff hen, can win the best shows, 60/-; also cobby unflighted buff, can win nice shows, 20/-; all in good show condition; on approval: W. Vardy, The Aviaries, Huthwaite, Notts. (1814)

CHAMPION winning Norwich now ready for the show bench, winner of cups and special prizes at all the leading shows in 1913 (life's experience); (1) large marked buff cock, 1913, a winner in good company, 50/-; (2) unflighted clear buff cock, good head and chest, short wings, and tail, and lovely quality, 50/-; (3) good clear yellow cock, 1913, first Ports-mouth, last year, only time shown, 50/-; (4) unflighted clear yellow, medium size, good in head, wings, and tail, can win in good novice class, 35/-; all these birds will be sent on approval with pleasure: C. W. Silk, Glenrosa, Emsworth. (1818)

THE JOHN BULL STRAIN J. and J. Hopkins can spare a few choice Norwich that can win, including grand large buff hen, rare quality, 35/-: 126, Bury New-rd., Bolton. (1813)

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD.

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

GLUCKE and water glucke cocks, from 7/6 upwards; also hens: Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldesley. (1815)

ROLLER cock Canaries, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeders, Forres, N.B. (1813)

YOUNG Glucke Roller cock and hen, over moult, 7/6; 4 Seifert hens, 6/-; Fiddler, 26, Thornton-st., Preston. (1813)

FOR home-bred Hartz Rollers, see my advertisement, page 173, or send for list: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich. (1817)

SOME of the best, British Rollers in the Fancy, rung, cheap to clear: Robinson, 142, Hey Green-rd., Liverpool. (1814)

IF you have any Roller show cages you don't want send particulars to Thwaites, 63, Pontefract-lane, Leeds. (1800)

PURE Randall Roller cock, in full song, 1913 bird, rung, price 12/6: Burrows, Hamp Ward, Bridgewater, Somerset. (1813)

SIX high-class Seifert Roller hens, 1914, 1/6 each; offers the lot or exchange: Kent, 166, Bedwaer-rd., Caerphilly, Glam. (1812)

SIX unflighted Roller hens, guaranteed pure and in perfect health and plumage; 10/- each, deposit: Ashton, Besthorpe, Newark. (1814)

FOR sale, young songster Canaries, guaranteed cocks and on full song, 4/-, 4/6; Arthur Munks, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (1812)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

YOUR own price; seven high-class healthy hens, two double breeders, flight; useful offers entertained: Schofield, 120, Gidlow-lane, Wigan. (1812)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, cocks from 7/6, hens 2/6, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914; schoolmasters from 15/-; approval: Mawhood, 26, Walton-lane, Nelson, Lancs. (1810)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1812)

CONTEST Rollers, cold-room bred cocks, 10/6, 12/6, hens 5/-; pairs scientifically mated, 12/6, 15/-; approval with pleasure: Squire Commersall, Bank House, Birstall, Leics. (1810)

TWO grand Glucke Roller cocks, in song, with brass hanging cages, 10/- each; week's approval; deposit or exchange for pullets or offers: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1818)

DEEP Glucke and Water-Glucke cocks, 20/-, 25/-, 35/- and 40/- each, comprising 1st International 1914, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Walsall, 1913; young cocks, same blood, 15/- upwards: Thompson, Mill-lane, Walsall. (1810)

GIVING up; 7 genuine Glucke and water Glucke Roller cocks, and 14 hens, all Randall's B.R.C.C., £4 10/- lot; cock and 2 hens, 15/-; Johnson, 6, Brunswick-terrace, Stacksteads, Manchester. (1811)

FOR immediate disposal, a few young Seifert Roller cocks, 1914 bred, commenced singing, 4/- each; 7/- for two; 7 days' approval on receipt of P.O.: Taylor, 104, Ada-rd., Smethwick, Worcestershire. (1817)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer of high-class rollers; have some grand young cocks, through moult, and singing grand, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; a few extra deep toned cocks, from first round, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, same strain, 2/-, 3/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1814)

Scotch Fancies.

CLEAR buff hen, good size, neck and shoulders, winner, 30/-, on approval, or exchange for a young pld or green hen: Farrow, Temperance-st., Merthyr. (1811)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford. (1817)

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, have some elinking exhibition and stud birds; reasonable; winners of thousands of prizes at leading shows; four times special for best in show, Crystal Palace, including Palace 1914; Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. (1817)

OGDEN BROS., Breeders, Exhibitors, and Exporters of the best the world has produced: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (1817)

WANTED, Yorkshires: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks singing, lot 6/6; 24 Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1811)

ONE yellow cock, 2 buff hens, and breeding cage, good birds, 16/-, cold room: Saxton, Library, Grays. (1810)

YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, coloured Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1816)

GRAND Yorkshires, moulted and fed for show; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; approval: S. Theresast., Blyden. (1816)

HALF their value, pure Yorkshire cocks, 6/6; hens from 2/6; healthy; state wants: Olford, 14, Marthast., Portsmouth. (1812)

MUST sell, 17 Yorkshire Canaries, cage and utensils, 50/- lot; stamp for particulars: Duncan, 11, Grinfield-st., Liverpool. (1809)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, show and stock birds, cages and cases, all utensils, reasonable: Owen, 63, Bridge-rd., Litherland, Liverpool. (1818)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswiek-rd., Liverpool. (1816)

SEVERAL buff cocks from 5/-; hens, 3/-; good yellow cock, 15/-; grand Crest, £3 3/-; approval: Adams, West-end, Southampton. (1814)

HIGHCLASS Yorkshires; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; approval, cash or deposit: D. Radley, Saville-rd., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1803)

YORKSHIRES, coloured cocks, 5/6, hens 2/6, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1817)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song-prizes low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

TWO very pretty even wing-marked 1914 Yorkshire cocks, 5/- each, immediate sale, make handsome birds: Porter, Rock House, Bideford. (1809)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, for exhibition or song, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-; approval: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1807)

TWO young clear yellow cocks, can win in good company, 12/6 each, worth 30/-; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1815)

SIXTY fine Yorkshires, grand show or stock, cold room bred, low prices; seen any time: Breeder, 14, Herbert-rd., Bow's Park, London, N. (1811)

FINE lot young Yorkshire Canaries, cocks 6/- each, hens 2/6; some fine Linnet Mules 6/-, Linnet song: Gardner, Brickfield Cottages, Hertingfordbury. (1816)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, feathered like wax; cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/-; stamp particulars: A. Taylor, 43, Highfield-rd., Hemsworth, Wakefield. (1800)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

DR. SYSON'S stock. I have instructions to sell from 10/- per pair upwards. Say what you want, and what prepared to pay: M. Buchanan, 338, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1816)

FINE Yorkshires, guaranteed cocks, from my winning strain, full song, 5/-; hens, 3/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1817)

FEW erect racy Yorkshire cocks, colour-fed, 7/6 each; also a few stylish hens fit for exhibition, 4/6; 4 days' approval; deposit, or exchange poultry or offers: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1818)

FOR sale, 16 prize-bred Yorkshires, 8 cocks, 8 hens, colour-fed and over moult; several have won in strong novice classes; £4 the lot; owner on active service: C. Baked, 15, Marlow-rd., Anerley, S.E. (1814)

WINNING Yorkshires; cocks from 7/6, hens 5/- upwards; see show report; Halifax and Bradford; approval, deposit; inspection invited: Arthur Radley, 17, Senior-st., Moldgreen, Huddersfield. (1817)

EASY payment.—Send for terms and illustrated price list, post free, of my Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, etc., either for show, stock, or songsters; seven days' approval: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1811)

YELLOW cock, extra length, 7/6; another, very smart, 10/-; clear buff cock, 12/6; ticked buff, 10/-; buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, and 10/-; grand birds, feathered like Javaz; few good pairs, 7/6: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, nr. Huddersfield. (1812)

EIGHTEEN Yorkshires, natural colour, 7 double breeding cages, and all utensils, also Greenfinch and 2 Norwich hens, bred Mules with each, for sale in one lot; the first offer secures: Shortland, 30, Chesterfield-rd., North Wingfield, nr. Chesterfield. (1814)

PRIZE bred Yorkshire cocks, in full song, at 4/6, 5/6 each; grand racy hens, 2/6, 3/-; pairs, properly matched, 6/6, 7/6 upwards; some grand stock birds, over 7in. long, some winners amongst them, 10/-; hens to match, 5/-; approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1818)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, now ready, all through the moult, cocks on full song, at 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6; extra good large hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/6 each; matched pairs for breeding winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (1813)

Show & Stock Yorkshire now ready, and all through the moult, and in first-class condition. Smart, lengthy, typical cocks, on song, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; extra good large hens, at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, in clears, ticked, green marked, and cinnamon marked; matched pairs for producing winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair, colour-fed or natural colour, and all cold-room kept; exhibition specimens in cocks and hens that can win at members' or small shows, at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; also some that can win in the keenest open competition at very reasonable prices; inspection invited any time without appointment; illustrated price list post free; travelling cages, 3d. extra; all birds on 7 days' approval at my risk to any part; only and old address: J. TAYLOR, 36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

A. L. HAWKES, winner of diplomas, challenge trophy and thousands of other prizes, has some grand upstanding, lengthy, colour-fed young Yorkshires, also few typical 1913 specimens of exceptional merits ready for immediate exhibiting; prices to suit all; 7 days' approval: 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1817) YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire and); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. AMBLERS' champion Yorkshires, winners, for keenest competition and slashing stock, birds clean moulted, wonderful length and feathered like wax, pairs 15/-, 20/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; single cocks or hens, proportionate; the finest strain in existence; see winnings of thousands of prizes and championships at leading shows these last 30 years; our champion yellow, special for best in show Crystal Palace, 1914, was acknowledged the bird of the season; approval, cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. (1817)

DYKES' YORKSHIRES Winner of Yorkshire Challenge Cup, also Green-marked Trophy, open competition, 1913-1914. I have some good birds now ready, and with so many shows cancelled shall not require so many teams this season. Can now supply winners for keenest competition at about half usual prices, also some grand pairs from 10/6 upwards; inspection invited at any time, or kindly state wants; satisfaction guaranteed: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1812)

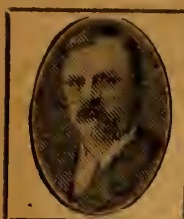
Various Canaries. SOME good young cock Canaries for sale, 5/6, 6/6; hens, 1/6; G. Jacklin, 5, Alfred-st., Great Grimsby. CANARIES, 12, as bred, 35/- lot; cocks, 5/- each; hens, 2/-, or 6/6 pair; approval: Nowell, Cropwell, Notts. (1813) NORWICH cocks, 7/-, hens 4/-, pairs 10/-; Borders, cocks 5/-, hens 2/6, pairs 7/-; Wilson, Craigview, Nobilehill, Dumfries. (1818) FOR sale, 3 cock Canaries, 5 hen Canaries, 1 hen Bullfinch, accept 30/- to clear: Mrs. C. Wright, Green Lane, Linton, Cambs. (1810) PAIR Norwich, ditto Yorkshires, Hartz Roller Schoolmaster, and few other male birds; sell cheaply: 10 Windsor-rd., Westcliff. (1818) NORWICH for sale, including all my winners and stock birds, also Crest, Border, cheap: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1816) WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshires, hen Canaries, will give 20/- doz., I will buy any kind of live stock: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London. ELEVEN young Canaries, also 3 hens, 2 cocks, the lot £2; Bullfinch and hen, prize-bred, with show cage, 10/-; Thomson, 54, Victoria-avenue, Southend. CRYSTAL Palace aviary, 30 x 30 x 12, 3 divisions; will exchange for Yorkshire cock, sell 7/6, good condition: Weller, 80, Oaklands Grove, Shepherds Bush, W. (1817) SMOOTH Fox Terrier bitch, 5 months, cinnamon Yorks. hen, Border yellow hen, good stock bird, sell lot 12/6; two cock Yorks., Amblers' strain, 7/6 each: Goodman, The Villa, Lamphay. (1813) TWELVE pair of Canaries, Yorks., Norwich, Borders, accept 5/- pair; sex guaranteed; or whole lot for £2 5/-; removing, cause of sale; clean, healthy: F. Brandon, 54, Walcot-terrace, Bath. (1817) ONE good Norwich cock, two hens, two feeding hens, lot 11/-; two Yorkshire cocks, Ogden's strain, 6/- each; all healthy; or both lots 22/-; reason of selling; moving: 47, Quelmesford-st., Darlington. (1817)

SELLING OFF. Owning to change of occupation, which takes up all my time, I am selling off all my birds, and have some real beauties going cheap; Yorkshire cock, very handsome racy rich yellow bird, 10/-; Hartz Mountain Schoolmaster, magnificent singer, £1; three 1914 Norwich cocks, colour fed large cobby birds, singing, 6/- each; two Norwich hens, 3/- each; one 1914 Hartz Mountain cock, 6/-; Palace aviary, 2ft. wide, nearly new, 8/-; or the lot for £3; approval: Hoime, 20, Hill-side-ld., Streatham Hill. (1803)

THE RIGHT STUFF Linnets, no better obtainable, 1/-, with cage 2/6; toppers for the bench, 2/-; grand Goldfinches, from 2/6; cocks guaranteed, Roller Canaries, singing beautiful, from 7/6; those requiring high-class Norwich or Yorkshire stock or show birds should send to me; same strain as my winners at all leading shows: W. Johnson, The Bird Export and Kimporium, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1812)

WANTED, HEN CANARIES Yorkshires and Norwich, will give 18/- doz., 1/- each hen Goldfinches, Mules; cash or deposit with "Cage Birds": W. Rutherford, 333, High-rd., Leytonstone. (1814)

WANTED 1,000 Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries and Goldfinch Mules; best price given for good birds; cash or deposit with Editor; stamped envelope reply: Enoch Power, 61, Selator-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (1812)



CHAMPION YORKSHIRES and NORWICH

Some real good birds now ready. Grand lengthy Yorkshires cocks, well on song, 6/6, 7/6, 10/- up; erect, racy hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6 each up; matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair; smart, thick-set cobby Norwich at same price as Yorkshires. Exhibition Norwich and Yorkshires, from my well-known strain of winners, now ready. Prices from 10/- to 100/-.

JOE THOMAS, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks.

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Have on approval and test truth of this statement. I have a splendid collection of first round selected songsters in Norwich, Yorkshire, home-bred Hertz Mountain Rollers, etc., 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages 3d. Prize-bred Norwich, Yorkshire, or Borders, cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-; three hens (colours, my selection), any above breeds, or mixed, 5/6 lot; very exceptional bargains; pairs 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up; cages 3d.; exhibition Norwich Plainheads, Crests, Yorkshires, Lizards, Scotch Fancies, Mules; some exceptions at most reasonable prices; detailed list free: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

CANARIES

Wanted, any quantity Canaries, also Goldfinch Mules, good prices; cash by return: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham.

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MULES—HYBRIDS.

WANTED, Mules: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

GOLDFINCH Mule, cocks, 6/6, 7/6; hens, 2/-; or exchange, Goldfinches preferred: Kilminster, Monk-st., Abergaveney, Mon. (1813)

GOLDFINCH-Canary 1914 songsters and exhibition from 8/6; muling hens from 3/6: Miss Thomas, Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1814)

GRAND lot Goldfinch and Linnets Mules, for show or song; prices low, easy payments arranged; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1781)

WARRANTED cock Goldfinch Mules, full song, 6/6; two yellow variegated cocks, in full song, 7/6; approval: A. Hawkins, 12, Highfield-terrace, Mansfield. (1811)

THREE handsomely variegated yellow Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 17 dark, offers cash lot; genuine Sib.-bred light Mules, 10/- each; cocks, 7/6; Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1813)

COCK Goldie-Bullie Hybrid (winner), now in grand show condition (colour-fed), sell £4, or exchange for light cock Mule, fit to win; or offers; approval: Sharples, Dixon-st., Waterhead, Oldham. (1815)

LINNET and Goldfinch-Mules: cocks in full song, pure wild notes, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; grand lot hen Mules, 1/6 each; grand lot of muling birds; ask for list: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1814)

LIGHT muling hens, Maddison-Weston strains; two 1912, one 1913, three 1914, one 1912 buff cock, 5/- each to clear; reduction for lot; two Greenfinches, house mouted, cheap: Crawhall, 121, St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1813)

GOLDFINCH-BULLFINCH Hybrid, splendid bird, 1913 hatched, colour-fed and mouted, perfection, price 60/-; or exchange pair winning Norwich to value; approval, deposit; rubbish useless: Parry, Ysgoldy, Dinorwig, Cwm-y-Glo, N. Wales. (1814)

EXHIBITORS: I have one of the largest stocks of British in North Staffordshire to select from; grand field mouted Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/6; one extra good specimen, clean mouted, ready for show, 5/-: G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Loughton, Staffordshire. (1814)

GREAT sale, the whole stock of the late John Brown to be cleared at greatly reduced prices, including muling Sib.-bred hens, Mules, and British birds, also large assortment show cages (new); stamped envelope for reply: Brown, 29, Rankellor-st., Edinburgh. (1814)

LANCASHIRE-Norwich cross; two monster yellow cocks, 7/- each; 2 ticked yellows, 5/6 each; 3 buff, 2 yellow hens, 4/-; all unflighted; one yellow 1913 cock, good stock bird, 6/-; also 4 yellow cocks, 5/- each; 3 buff and 1 yellow hens, 3/-; unflighted, bred from Lancashire cross and Norwich; cold room; approval; deposit: Pringle, 66, Buchanan-st., Stockton-on-Tees. (1813)

WANTED, 500

cock Goldfinch Mules, must be in song; state lowest price: Enoch Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (1797)

TO MULE EXHIBITORS

Grand cock Bullie-Linnet, certain winner; also evenly-marked Goldfinch cock, six-pointed, big winner, pink of condition, 50/-; approval; muling good hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; cages 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich. (1814)

DOVES.

BEAUTIFUL White Doves, 4/6; Ring Doves, 2/6 pair: Pearson's Dove Farm, Greenwich. (1816)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, Foreign birds: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

PARROT, Amazon, talking, 20/-; grey, 7/6; Lloyd, 24, Cecil-rd., Gorleston, Swansea. (1811)

COCK White Java Sparrow, 4/-, or exchange: M. Lancaster, 7, Victoria-terrace, Walsall. (1807)

BEAUTIFUL tame talking Bar-eyed Cuckoo, 30/-; Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

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L. & P.O.S. Show

at Lambeth Baths, Kennington Road, S.E., on Wed. and Thurs., Oct. 28 and 29. Judges, Messrs. T. Heath, J. Hodder, Allen Silver, and H. J. Fulljames. 58 Classes. Entry fee 1/- per cage. Entries close Thursday, Oct. 22. Schedules ready now, apply G. W. Law, Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, N. Finchley, London, N. Competition limited to exhibitors that can arrange for delivery and collection of their exhibits to and from the show.

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Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entry Fee, 1/-. Judge: G. A. Townsend, Holmgarth, Leeds. Class 32.—Yorks. Cock, Yellow, Clear, Ticked, or Unevenly Marked. Class 33.—Yorks. Hen, Yellow, ditto, ditto, ditto Class 34.—Yorks. Cock, Buff, ditto, ditto, ditto. Class 35.—Yorks. Hen, Buff, ditto, ditto, ditto. Class 36.—Yorks. Ck. or Hen, Yell., Unflig., ditto. Class 37.—Yorks. Ck. or Hen, Buff, Unflig., ditto. Members' Cup for best Young Bird. Entries close Tuesday, 27th.—A. Scott, Hon. Sec., Kirkburton, nr. Huddersfield.

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YORKSHIRES.—12, Clear or tdk., yell. cock; 13, do buff; 14, Marked or lightly varieg., yell. or buff cock; 15, Heavily varieg. or fowl green or cinnamon do; 16, A.V., yell. hen; 17, do buff; 18, Unflig. cock; 19, do hen; 20, Novice, yellow or buff cock; 21, do hen; 22, do unflig.

BORDER FANCY.—23, A.V. cock; 24, do hen; 25, Novice, A.V. cock or hen.

A.O.V. Canary not previously mentioned.

HYBRIDS.—27, A.V. Canary Mule, light, cock or hen; 28, do dark; 29, A.V. Hybrid, between two British birds, cock or hen.

BRITISH.—30, Goldfinch; 31, Bullfinch; 32, Linnet; 33, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, or Brambling; 34, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite; 35, A.O.V. Hardbill; 36, A.V. Softbill.

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Twitterings.

We hear from Mr. E. Dendle, hon. sec., that 33 cage bird classes will be provided at the show of the Swansea F.A. on Dec. 10. Mr. W. F. L. Bremner, sec., writes that the Clackmannanshire C.B.S. intend holding their show as usual on Dec. 5, open to members within 15 miles from Alloa.

Additional societies to abandon their open shows are: Winsford C.B.S., Preston O.S., Hull C.B.S., Newtownards C.B.S., Broughty Ferry C.B.S.

Mr. A. F. Fifield, press corr., writes that entries for the show of the Oxford C.B.S. will be accepted up to first post Monday, Oct. 19. The schedule is reviewed in this week's issue.

Owing to all the halls in Stirling being commandeered by the military authorities, we have been compelled to cancel our show fixed for Nov. 21st, writes Mr. J. Gillies, Sec. Stirling and Dis. C.B.S.

Mr. J. L. Heseltine, hon. sec. Hull C.B.S., writes that he has joined the colours, and all further communications should be addressed to the sec. (pro. tem.), Mr. Fernandez, 70, Belvoir Street, Hull.

The show of the Haltwhistle C.B.S., arranged for Nov. 20-21, has been postponed till the new year. Mr. J. Ewart, sec., writes that the show of Thrums C.B.S., fixed for Dec. 5, has been postponed, but the new date is not stated.

OBITUARY.

MR. T. THOMPSON (Derby).

It is with regret, writes Mr. F. W. Jordan, that I have to report the death of Mr. Tom Thompson, which took place on Oct. 1, after only a few days' illness. Mr. Thompson was one of the most prominent members of the Derby and Dist. C.B.S., serving on the committee for a number of years, and winning the Norwich cup three years ago. He was highly respected by all, and his loss will be felt by the whole of our members. He was buried on Oct. 4 at Chaddisden, Derby. Age 36.

All the birds during the forthcoming L. and P.O.S. show will be fed on seeds and other foods supplied by Messrs. Trower and Co., writes Mr. Chas. W. Law, the hon. sec. I think it most kind of them that they are willing to help during these bad times.

We hope members will not forget the annual show takes place on Oct. 29th, write Messrs. Burton Bros., hon. secs. New Cross C.B.S., and we shall be pleased to hear from members who wish to give a special, so that it may appear in schedule, which will be sent out shortly. Stewards are also wanted.

As I am leaving this country to take up a position abroad, I am compelled to dispose of my entire stock of Crest and Crest-bred Canaries, writes Mr. John Thomson (Broxburn). I was anxiously anticipating the show season, as I have bred some good youngsters. My entire stock is advertised under Crests this week, and I have also a lot of cages, show and stock, and other necessary appliances to dispose of.

The principal article in the October issue of "British Birds," Messrs. Witherby and Co., High Holborn, 1s. monthly, is a review by Mr. M. Vaughan of the 1913 inquiry on the increase and decrease in summer migrants. A list of marked (ringed) birds recovered is given, and the rest of the issue is filled with some very interesting "Notes," one of which, by Mr. J. H. Owen, records that of 34 Cuckoos' eggs found during the past season no less than 18 were in nests of the Hedge Sparrow.

In the Aviculture Magazine, the organ of the Avicultural Society, for October the Marquis of Tavistock concludes his very interesting "Hints on Parrot-Keeping." Among the other articles are "Some Canadian Birds," by Mr. H. B. Rathbone; "Birds in Autumn," by Mr. A. R. Williams; "Birds of New South Wales," by Mr. G. A. Heumann; and "English Names for the Parrots," by Dr. E. Hopkinson. The frontispiece is a beautiful coloured drawing of the Rufous-necked Laughing Thrush, by Mr. H. Goodchild, and notes are given by Mr. D. Seth-Smith.

The Bright Future of Our Hobby.

A HEARTENING MESSAGE TO BREEDERS AND EXHIBITORS OF BIRDS.

Enterprise of the Yorkshire Union of C.B.S. Splendidly Justified: Results that Should Set at Rest the Minds of Show Officials.

THE second show of the Yorkshire Union season, held on Saturday last by the Bradford East O.S., proved a thorough success and, best of all, afforded splendid justification of the stout-hearted action of the Council of the Y.U. in deciding for "Business as Usual" despite the grey outlook which the affairs of the Fancy took on in the initial weeks of the war crisis.

A Bogey Effectually Laid.

The opening fixture at Halifax provided abundant proof that the fanciers of Yorkshire and the immediate vicinity intended to uphold their hobby by every means in their power, and the show at Bradford is a triumph for the clear-sighted, hard-headed men of the County of Broad Acres, who have shown that the obstacles to the success of shows conjured up by the timid—difficulty of transit being probably the "bogey in chief"—have little or no reality when put to the test.

This is not by any means the first time that Yorkshiremen have given a lead to their brethren in the Fancy—they have always shone in matters of management and organisation—and we hope the officials and members of those societies that have still to decide the question of "to be or not to be" in connection with their annual exhibitions, will take heart from the results achieved by the Y.U.

Cheering Figures.

Remember that the cancelling of your fixture must inevitably mean that the Fancy to which you are devoted will slip back a notch in your district. Do not lightly dismiss the possibility of your show being a success financially and in every other way; that fanciers stand ready to support shows courageous enough to appeal to them we have never doubted, and recent happenings serve to strengthen us in that opinion. We can point, too, in further confirmation, to the fine entry secured by many of the classes at Bristol (a very early fixture and a "mixed" show) viz., 35, 21, and three of 17, with nine other classes well into double figures.

At Bradford East Show (the second Y.U. fixture of this year) there were more exhibitors and more exhibits than there were at the Windhill Show of last year (the second Y.U. fixture of 1913).

Further, there were more exhibitors at the present Bradford East Show (viz., 145) than at the show of last year (viz. 138).

No. of Exhibitors.	Windhill 1913.		Bradford 1914.	
	Classes.	Ents.	Classes.	Ents.
Champ. Yorks. ...	9	123	10	144
Champ. Green Mkd. ...	4	47	4	46
Champ. Cinn. ...	4	28	4	27
Nov. Yorks. ...	6	129	8	140
Nov. Green Mkd. ...	2	36	2	29
Nov. Cinn. Mkd. ...	2	21	0	0
Norwich ...	2	6	2	14
Selling ...	4	34	3	43
Total ...	31	424	33	443

These facts should serve to dispel at once the notion that there is anything in the state of things to-day necessarily inimical to the welfare of cage-bird shows.

We have decided, writes Mr. W. Adams, hon. sec. Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S., to hold our members' show as usual on Nov. 28, in the Parish Church Schools. Mr. Hardy, Oldham, will judge.

Mr. J. G. Torbett, sec. Muirkirk C.B.S., writes that since having his schedule printed he has received an additional novice medal from the B.F.C.C. Any member of B.F.C.C. competing with rung birds will be disqualified.

Can it be True?

"On September 30, at Himbleton, near Droitwich, I saw a Cuckoo flying in a southerly direction. It settled close to me, and called its note four times." So writes a correspondent in the "Birmingham Post."

Don't Forget It.

Exhibitors in the metropolitan area should remember that entries for the L. and P.O.S. Show (note advert. this week) close on Thursday next, Oct. 22nd, to Mr. C. W. Law, hon. sec., Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, North Finchley. This show deserves generous support, as all the entry fees are returned in prize money, not one penny being deducted for expenses, and there is an excellent list of special prizes. It affords fanciers a splendid opportunity of determining the merits of their birds in competition.

Over the Fence.

Of course, where the military necessities of the moment render impossible the obtaining of a suitable hall, fanciers have to accept the inevitable. But even this does not preclude the holding of what we may term "district shows," such, for instance, as the projected Welsh National Show, which we hope will come into being, and which has our hearty good wishes. The combination of several societies is, if every member loyally does his best, practically sufficient to ensure a successful show without even counting on outside help, although the latter will of a certainty be forthcoming.

These district shows should be open to all fanciers living within a certain radius, and classes should be added for novices, it being made clear that wins in this restricted competition do not affect anyone's novice status. Success should then be certain.

A Gentle Hint.

One further point occurs to us: We have often thought that the partiality of societies for crowding all the shows possible into practically two months (October and November) was not entirely in the best interests of all concerned. Well, this seems peculiarly a season when shows dated early in the New Year might look for success. We will leave the hint for societies interested to think over.

With regard to the outlook for the Fancy in general, in our opinion there is no need for the slightest despondency. It is better—much better—now than many people we have met seemed to think could possibly be the case.

The Silver Lining.

And that there is a bright future to look forward to we have not the smallest doubt. In this connection we would commend to our readers the following words, which appeared in a recent issue of the "Eastern Daily Press" (published at Norwich).

It may be of interest to fanciers and the general public to know that the war may have a direct bearing upon the breeding and exportation of Canaries from Norwich. For years the Germans have been the greatest competitors the city has had in the matter of Canary breeding, and have annually sent enormous numbers of the little songsters to America, where there is always a great demand for them. Lately a report had been prevalent that there would be no sale for English birds this year, but Mr. Jacob Mackley, one of our best known experts, is of the contrary opinion, and advises breeders to hold their birds as long as they possibly can, as his belief is that there must be a great demand for English birds in America in the near future, as the Germans will be unable to supply even a fraction of the number they have sent across the sea in past years.

We are in entire agreement with the above views. May the Good Times quickly come to pass.

Changes of Address.

We are asked to state that Mr. Thos. Bewick has removed from Belford Terrace to 44, Milton Street, N. Shields, and Mr. J. W. Robson, sec. of Burnhope C.B.S., from Mordue Buildings to Bell Houses, Burnhope.

Liverpool Needs Your Support.

The secretaries of Liverpool Show, Messrs. Metcalfe and Green (58, Brunswick Road, Liverpool) request exhibitors to be good enough to post their entries early, as there is occasionally some delay in the postal arrangements. They hope fanciers will give their show the fullest possible support, and so justify them in going ahead with the fixture. The prize money and the special prizes are very liberal.

Rally Round Abertillery.

Permit me to remind exhibitors of our show next Wed., October 21st, writes Mr. H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec. Abertillery C.B.S. We have secured the Gymnasium Hall, the best in the district, and Mr. Robson as judge. Fanciers can rest assured that their exhibits will receive every care at the hands of capable fanciers. I ask those who have not a schedule to enter from the advertisement appearing in this week's issue of CAGE BIRDS. We shall accept entries till Monday, first post.

FORFAR

A chance for exhibitors. Fifth Annual Show will be held in Masonic Hall, on Saturday, Oct. 31st, 1914. Popular Judges, Cup and Medals. Schedules from: Kerr and Robertson, Secs., 15, Green Street.

City of Bradford O.S.

34th Annual Open Show, Sat., Oct. 31, 1914, in the Faversham Street Council Schools (5 minutes from Central Station), under Yorkshire Union rules. 25 Classes, Yorkshires, Norwich. Judges: R. Halliday, Shipley, and A. W. Hartley, Bradford. Entries close Tuesday, Oct. 27. Schedules with pleasure.—Sec., W. Helliwell, 116, Mill Lane, Bradford. (1812)

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND

Twenty-fifth Annual Club Show, in Good T-implars' Hall, 122, Ingram Street, Glasgow, on Saturday, Oct. 31, 1914. Judges: Messrs. Wm. Grewar, G. Hiscop, and Wm. Loan. 18 Open Classes. Prize Money on sliding scale. Entry 1/-. Entries close Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1914. Schedules from: A. K. Chalmers, 39, Gausseyde Street, Paisley.

READING C.B.S.

Annual Open Show, Palmer Hall, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1914. Judge: J. Robson, Esq. Open Classes: 5 Norwich, 5 Yorkshire, 1 A.O. Canary, 2 British, 1 Mule or Hybrid, 2 Selling, 4 Foreign. 1d. on every entry to Prince of Wales Fund. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, with 2/6 Cash Specials. Schedules and particulars from Sec., O. C. Smith, 73, Audley Street, Reading.

LLANDUDNO NOVEMBER 7th.

Seventh Annual Show (confined to Welsh Northern Counties). Judge of Cage Bird Section, Mr. A. G. Davies, Manchester. Ten Classes. Prizes, 6/-, 3/-, 1/6. Fee 1/-. Special to each class, and Cup for best bird in show. Entries close October 28th, to: C. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.

Bedlington & District

Cage Bird Society 4th Annual Show, on Saturday, October 24th, 1914. Judges: Mr. J. Stanger, of Durham, and Mr. J. Hands, of Ryton-on-Tyne. Show to be held in Co-operative Hall, Bedlington. Open Classes: 4 Nor., 3 Bord., 1 Yorks., 1 A.O.V.C., 1 Lin., (P. or H.M.), 1 Brit. A.V., 1 Sell. Class. Will fanciers please note that entries will be taken up till first post on Wed., Oct. 21.—Chas. E. Fuller, Sec., Smith's Buildings, Bedlington, E.E. (1812)

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Wisp. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

SUNFLOWER SEED AND BRITISH FINCHES.

By A. H. C. LEGG.

An instructive lecture given before the Porth and Rhondda Valleys C.B.S. (Concluded from page 163.)

EVERY one knows the bold Greenie; you can hardly visit a British bird fancier's room or aviary without seeing one or two. He seems to be everyone's favourite. The cocks may easily be picked out from the hens, the cocks being green and the hens grey, with just a faint yellow in the wings and tail. As a Hybrid breeder he is in great demand, either for pairing to other British hens or Canary hens. I have a Greenie hen that will sit, hatch and rear Canaries until out of nest.

The Greenfinch's staple diet should be in winter: a good supply of sunflower and safflower seed, and a mixture of 3 parts Canary, 1 part summer rape, 1 part winter rape. Oats and wheat I find a good thing in winter, and for green food in summer I give plenty of groundsel, chickweed, hardheads, and dandelion. At moulting time as much fresh gathered sunflower seeds as the bird will eat, also a little linseed. I use hemp very sparingly. Fresh sunflower seed is a grand colour-food and a Greenfinch moulted well upon this will be a blaze of colour. I am not an advocate of pepper feeding Greenies.

The Greenfinch to Show.

To select a Greenfinch for show, choose a yellow with a good natural colour (grass green), and of the same colour all through, not running light underneath as we find some of them, and with a good bold front and round head. The outer edges of the wings and tail should be a deep yellow; feather fine and silky. The show cage should be of the box pattern, enamelled a very pale blue inside, with wires the same colour, and black outside.

The Chaffinch is getting more popular every year, and some good ones are seen upon the show benches at our shows. It should be fed in the same way as the Greenfinch, excepting in the moulting season, when it should have a supply of insectivorous food and some live insects or grubs. Mix up enough of the food for the day, and add to this a quarter of a teaspoonful of tasteless pepper. Remember to give fresh sunflower seed as for the Greenfinch.

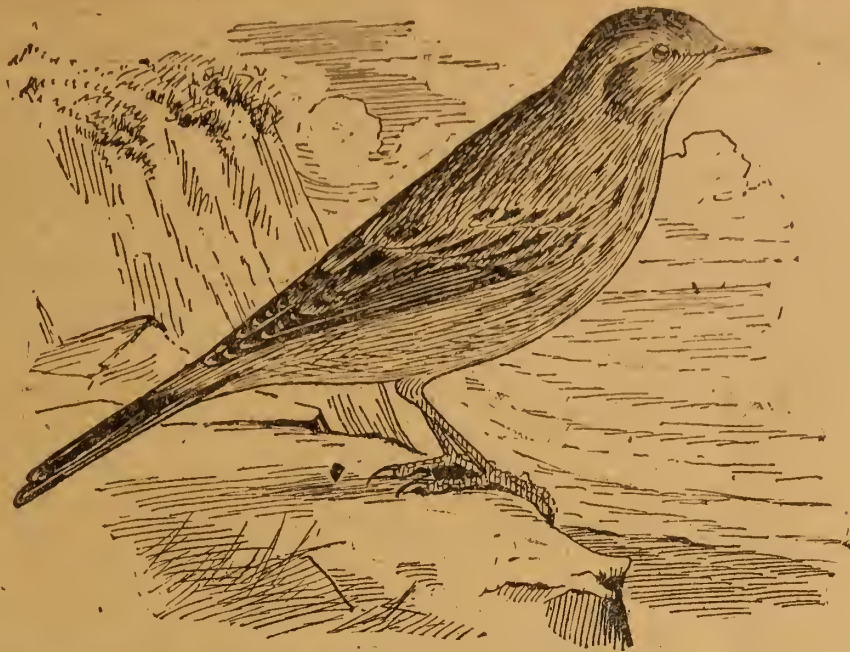
For an exhibition bird, select one as large as possible, with a good round breast, a large round head, and a bold eye; the wing bars as distinct as possible, and the blue upon the head as deep as possible.

The Goldfinch and the Siskin.

The Goldfinch to me is the handsomest of all our small British Finches, and you will hardly find any Canary breeder's room without one, for as a muler he is a jewel without price. His stock food should be two parts canary, two parts teazle, quarter-part summer rape, and quarter-part charlock, half-part linseed; hemp should be given now and again as a tit-bit. I also mix up the following as a tit-bit in equal quantities: thistle, dandelion, maw, jinga, and lettuce seed, and give a half-teaspoonful every other day in summer, and the same quantity every day in winter, also a small quantity of hemp. The best greenfood is groundsel, dandelion, hardheads and thistles.

A Goldfinch for exhibition should be large and cobby, and have a good square blaze free from guttering. This "guttering" is just what spoils a lot of our Finches. The back and breast should be a deep chestnut, the black on the head and back of head cut nice and clean, and the yellow in wings as deep as possible.

Of all our British birds I believe the Siskin is one of the easiest to settle down to cage life, and his diet is very simple. Canary seed, summer rape, teazle, and a small quantity of hemp are about the only seeds required as a staple diet. In spring and summer give any wild seed you can lay hands on, and during the moult don't forget a few fresh gathered sunflower seeds. I usually cut a sunflower head into eight pieces for the Goldfinch and Siskin, and give one piece each day, and nearing the end of the moult I add a little linseed. As a tit-bit, I give a little wild seed mixture (Baker and Spiller's), as there are about 20 different kinds of seed in it.



The Rock Pipit is an inhabitant of the sea-shore, where it lives on insects and small marine life left by the receding tide. It is not unlike the more common Meadow Pipit, but is darker (more olive) in plumage, and has a shorter hind-claw. The bird depicted won 3rd prize at the Crystal Palace 1914 Show for Mr. R. C. Tout, of Portsmouth.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to Keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 163.)

PERSONALLY, I do not believe the foregoing process necessary, for I have not experienced any detrimental effects in placing the song cage direct into the cabinet. No closing of the doors should take place until the birds are thoroughly used to feeding and drinking in their new quarters. The doors can then be closed half-way for a commencement, and afterwards just a little each day, or on alternate days, until the complete closure takes place.

Letting in the Light.

For about two or three days after this closure the doors must be fully opened several times daily, and should any of the birds not be feeding properly when doors are closed they must be allowed a little more light until the defect is remedied. Afterwards, one hour's full light daily will be quite sufficient, and it will be advantageous to divide this period into two, or even three portions; the last but not the least important being in an artificial light.

This caging off may have the effect of stopping the youngsters from singing for a few days. Yet, as they have been bred for song purposes for so many generations, sing they must, and from now, until they have completed their song tours, will require a little watching. The breeder who has paid attention to the mating of the stock birds, and not mixed up the faults, and has also provided a suitable tutor, may reasonably expect to see some good return for his labour. Should any bird bring a fault that is not sung by tutor or stock-birds, it should be instantly removed from the training-room.

Whether such birds should be disposed of depends upon the rest of their song, and the way the other youngsters are singing. In the event of these others singing all the

good tours that are sung by the bird or birds bringing this "foreign" fault then the latter can be sold off. I would advise the fancier to think, not once or twice, but many times before he disposes of a bird possessing some good quality that is lacking in his other stock, for the sole fault of its producing a faulty tour.

In your endeavours to establish quality, mate with nest sister, also with a good hen from another strain, or one slightly but not too closely related. The following year mate sire to daughters, also to another fresh hen to give you material to work on in the following year. The young cocks and hens bred from the two hens can be mated together. By working on these lines excellence can be established, and faulty tours eradicated. When you have a number of birds to work with you can choose for breeding and for training purposes, using only those that are the most suitable for your object, to maintain the quality, yet to diminish and eventually eradicate the fault.

A Section for Exhibitors.

Reader, I have led you through a little of the early history of the Roller, its song tours, and in as simple a manner as possible I have told how to distinguish these, how to purchase, house, mate for breeding, and how to train to produce good singers. If I have laboured any of those subjects, I did so purposely, to make them as simple as possible, knowing full well that some minds are quicker to comprehend than others. Little remains for me to say, excepting to give a few simple hints to those who wish to train their birds for exhibition, to give an up-to-date judging standard, and a few hints on how Roller Canaries are judged.

Birds for a show career should be as tame as it is possible to get them, and those that have trained in a living room will not experience much difficulty in this respect. It is difficult to say when they should be placed in the exhibition cages, because of their different temperaments. The change from the wire song cage to the shutter show cage will not affect some birds, for they will commence to sing immediately after the transfer, some object to the change by not singing, while others will not sing, and will sulk for days. The latter type must be kept throughout the show season in the show cage.

The difficulty of getting them to sing in different surroundings is partly overcome by getting them tame and indifferent to a person's presence in the vicinity of their cage. Some fanciers in their endeavours to attain this will frequently move the cage from one position to another, or from one room to another, and it is not an uncommon practice to take a bird when on a visit to fancier friends.

(To be continued.)

SOFT-BILLED BIRDS AS CAGE PETS.

By "OLD HAND."

A practical article on the keeping of some of our most popular Softbills. (Concluded from page 151.)

GRAATED raw carrot mixed with the food is very good for them, also a little canary seed occasionally. Shredded meat, worms, caterpillars and any sort of insect life are much appreciated, and help to keep them in health, and therefore song, as an unhealthy bird rarely sings.

Always keep the cage floor well strewn with sand, and occasionally put in a shallow dish full of silver sand, or dust off the road if clean, as larks bathe in this instead of water. Do not coddle them at all but hang outside as much as possible. Should the weather be very frosty or wet it is as well to bring them indoors, but not in a room where a fire is burning, for when they are hung out again they may catch a chill. If looked after according to the above directions I think they will do very well; at least, mine have done so.

The Starling is a bird which one rarely sees caged in town, but in the country he is a general favourite. The glossy spangled plumage and its mimicking ways have much to recommend the bird. In their wild state they are very wary, but when caged make fine pets. About the fields and ploughed lands droves of them may be seen busily hunting for grubs and insects. About the end of March these droves break up and each pair begins to look for a hole in which to build its nest.

The Penalty of Plundering.

The Starling has not much song, but a clear, plaintive whistle, which begins at the top of the scale, runs down slowly, and very quickly up again. A jangle of notes is also emitted, which more resembles chattering than singing. If any are wanted for the cage hand-rearing is best resorted to, for old ones rarely settle down. They are best taken when the feathers begin to appear, for if left longer they will sulk and not gape. Should the nest be in the hole of a tree be very careful to see that the hole is large enough to admit the hand easily. I once put my arm into a hole just above the elbow and was two hours before I got it out, minus half the skin and with a sprained elbow.

Teaching to Talk.

The youngsters are best put into a box about six inches deep, half full of hay, as the nest is not easily removed. The method of hand-feeding is the same as with the other birds mentioned. Cocks as well as hens may be retained if wanted. The cocks are usually distinguished by being larger and bolder than the hens. Teaching them to talk should now commence, for it is in these early stages that they acquire most. I have heard of people cutting their tongues with the idea that they will talk sooner, but they ought to be served the same and see how much sooner they would talk. A few words at a time should be repeated until they are acquired, when some more may be added. Give each bird a name, and when the attention of the bird is required call it by that name. "Jacob" seems to be a name to which they will answer most readily, and will soon come to the wires on hearing it. With a little patience they may be taught various sayings, and whistle little ditties. I have heard some which one would take to be a Parrot unless they were seen. They will mimic anything, from the mewing of a cat to calling one of the family.

When they feed fairly well, the food should be gradually changed to some good packet mixture or the following: One pint of barley meal, and one ounce of ants' eggs mixed together. Mix just enough crumbly moist and make fresh every day. Snails, grubs, worms and a little shredded meat are appreciated, also lettuce and fruit. Green food of some kind should be given every day or two, as this is essential to keep them in health. A bath should be provided on bright days, as they love a splash, which is necessary to keep them in the best of plumage. Once one has succeeded in teaching a Starling a few words the time and trouble will never be regretted. After the first moult the beautiful spangled plumage appears.

Correspondence.

Appeal for the First Fixture in South Wales.

Sir,—Allow me to appeal to all fanciers, and those in South Wales and Monmouthshire especially, to support Abertillery Show, on October 21st, this being the first fixture in South Wales. Then we shall not hear so much of the cancelling of shows. I may say that the Abertillery Society is guaranteeing the prize-money, and there is no cancelling or amalgamating of classes. They are a body of experienced and good fanciers, and the exhibits will get every care and attention. I am getting all fanciers around Blaenavon to exhibit; I may say there will be some 30 exhibits in Norwich, Yorkshires and Borders from here.

GEORGE BROOM.

The Scale of Prize Money at Y.U. Shows.

Sir,—Kindly publish the enclosed list of prize-money to be paid on the sliding scale at Yorkshire Union Shows in classes that range from 5 to 14 entries. It will serve as a guide to exhibitors, and save secretaries many explanations.

H. HILL, Hon. Sec. Y.U.

Amounts due to exhibitors after 1d. in the 1s. has been deducted from the entry fees:

Entries	Prizes:				Total
	1st.	2nd.	3rd.	4th.	
5	2 9	2 0	1 4	0 9	6 10
6	3 4	2 6	1 8	0 10	8 4
7	3 10	2 10	1 11	1 0	6 7
8	4 5	3 3	2 2	1 2	11 0
9	4 11	3 8	2 5	1 3	12 3
10	5 6	4 0	2 8	1 6	13 8
11	6 0	4 7	3 1	1 7	15 3
12	6 8	5 0	3 4	1 8	16 8
13	7 2	5 4	3 7	1 10	17 11
14	7 8	5 8	3 10	2 0	19 2

The Cancelling of Wimbledon Show.

Sir,—I have just received a card announcing a meeting of the Wimbledon C.B.S. and at the bottom is printed "on account of the war the Committee have reluctantly cancelled the open show in November." I consider the Wimbledon society has been in the past one of the best managed around London, and members, I believe, have always had a voice in the general business. I consider that before this show was abandoned a meeting should have been called for members and the secretary have explained the difficulties he was in respecting the holding of the show. Perhaps the secretary will be kind enough to let those members know (who are not in the know) the particular reason why the show is cancelled, whether it is difficult respecting a hall not being available, or what?

A MEMBER.

The Royal Horticultural Hall Show Will Positively be Held.

Sir,—Notwithstanding rumours to the contrary, I am now in a position to convey to the Fancy the following official information, "that the Royal Horticultural Hall will not be further requisitioned for military purposes, except in the event of a grave crisis arising which would necessitate the bringing to London of large bodies of troops." Consequently I appeal to the Fancy to make a note of the show dates, Nov. 26, 27 and 28, and to flatly contradict any reports that the show will not be held.

After a short respite, I have been again requested to accept the onerous position of show manager. It is now over 20 years since I first became acquainted with this work in the Fancy, during which time fanciers have never failed to assist me, and I trust my actions during that time have inspired further confidence and that I may again (for it is now more than ever necessary) rely upon their unanimous support to make this exhibition ("the triple entente") the largest of its kind ever held, more especially as the whole of the profits arising therefrom are to be devoted to the British Red Cross Society, for the purpose of alleviating the sufferings of our fellow men incapacitated while doing their duty. I am aware of the heavy drain on the public in many ways, but would respectfully commend this method of giving assistance; it is accompanied by a sporting element sufficient to render some pleasure to compensate for the many anxieties caused by the present unfortunate crisis.

With the laudable object in view I truly hope there will be no counter move to detract from the success of the undertaking, as the triple entente, viz., the N.B.B. and M.C., the F.B.E.L. and the L.C.B.A. have no desire to claim all the credit for any success that may be achieved, but are ready to mete out to every supporter (in whatever sphere, whether with entries, sale of admission tickets, obtaining adverts, and stalls, or contributing in any way whatsoever) their just claim in the participation of any success. Let us be able to send a substantial sum from the Cage Bird Fancy of the British Isles through

the annual exhibition at the Royal Horticultural Hall. Let us cast aside differences of opinion and all work together with one common object for one common good.

Suggestions of methods to augment the fund in any way are respectfully invited and will be carefully considered by the Committee and carried into effect if practicable, and providing they are not contrary to the conditions under which the Hall is rented.

The secretaries of the respective clubs will be pleased to furnish every possible information concerning their own club's classification: Mr. A. Silver, F.B.E.L., 303, High Road, Streatham; Mr. Carr, N.B.B. and M.C., 45, Overdale Road, South Ealing, and T. Knight, 64, Chaplin Road, Wembley, or JOHN TYSON,

169, Sloane St., London, S.W.

The Suggested Welsh National Cage Bird Show.

Sir,—I brought the subject of a Welsh National Show before the members of the Abertillery C.B.S. at our last meeting, held October 10th, and after a short discussion it was unanimously decided to support same. I think it is a very good idea, inasmuch as we have such a large number of exhibitors in Wales and Monmouthshire. I think Mr. Alf. Hutchings (Swansea) wrote a very sensible letter on the subject last week. I am very much in favour of his suggestions, and if a meeting should be called, I am sure the Abertillery C.B.S. will not be found in the background, as we should be pleased to send a representative.

H. H. MORTIMER, Hon. Sec.

Sir,—I thank Mr. E. Thomas for making it quite clear that the suggested Welsh National Show will not be run by the Cardiff C.B.S. It must be a National Show represented by every society in Wales. I would remind Mr. Thomas, however, that the National Show Committee will have to leave much of the detail each year to the society in whose town the show is to be held. That is

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WILL BE HELD ON FEB. 5, 6, 8 & 9, 1915

to say—the local society and the National Show Committee would work together for success. I consider it would be a great honour indeed to breeders and fanciers to have such an event in their town as the Welsh National Show. I venture to say that it would do more for those breeders and fanciers generally than could be done by the local society itself in five years. It is for this reason that I ask all societies in Wales to pull together and make the first Welsh National Show a huge success.

I am arranging an informal meeting at Abertillery Show next Wednesday, Oct. 21st, which will afford an opportunity for all fanciers in that district to give their views. I am looking forward to the support of all well-known fanciers and exhibitors who are interested in this movement. I shall then call a meeting at Cardiff on Saturday, Nov. 7th, at which I hope all societies will be represented. Will Mr. Alf. Hutchings please note that on the 7th proximo Cardiff City meet Queen's Park Rangers? It is quite a good idea of yours, Mr. Hutchings, and you will be pleased to hear that Cardiff C.B.S. are having a show on Sat., Nov. 21st, when the City meet Bristol Rovers. The show, I believe, will be open to a radius of twenty miles, or, to all exhibitors who can bring their own birds, and it is being held solely to keep fanciers together. Whether Llanelly intend holding their show in Jan. or not, I sincerely hope Mr. John will endeavour to attend the meeting in Cardiff on Nov. 7th.

I enclose a very nice letter from Mr. G. T. Jones, the secretary of the Welsh Cage Bird Club, who kindly offers a guinea towards the expenses. There are dozens of other good fanciers in the Principality who can do the same thing, but, as Mr. Jones says, "they are very backward in coming forward."

E. J. BANKS.

Copy of Mr. Jones' letter.
Sir,—I am quite in sympathy with the suggestion re a Welsh National Show, and at any time prepared to do my share towards bringing same to an issue. I have felt for years that Welsh fanciers are "backward in coming forward" so far as a National show is concerned, and I am sure that if we are united success must follow our venture. It is useless to think of the phrase in this week's issue by Mr. D. John, of Llanelly, that for this season it is too late. I say, "Never too late to mend." Even if it is war, let us be up and doing with a heart for any fate! You can rely on me to do all I can to support the movement, and I would subscribe £1 to the funds. Therefore, friends, carry out your well thought out idea, and let us have a show that will go down to posterity.
Brecon.

G. T. JONES.

BUSINESS BRISK AS EVER.

Advertiser asks us to 'Rescue Him from Would-be Customers!

SIR,—Will you kindly come to my rescue and thank all would-be customers who answered my advertisement last week in CAGE BIRDS. I had about 16 birds for sale (Foreign) and could have sold them many times over, several offering to take the lot, and others offering me a good price for odd birds. It is utterly impossible for me to reply to all, though I have done so in some dozen cases or more. Although it is just a week since the advertisement appeared, letters of enquiry are still coming in along with money orders!—G. E. CORNWALL.

"Pleased to tell you I have sold the Pomeranian Puppy this (Friday) evening before seven o'clock in my own parish through the advertisement in your most valuable CAGE BIRDS.—JAMES JEFFERIES (Bristol).

"As showing the value of an advertisement in CAGE BIRDS, I had orders for birds from all parts of England, Scotland, and Wales."—JOHN WELCH (Southampton).

Norwich Plainhead Club Meets at Manchester.

Sir,—A general meeting of the Norwich Plainhead Club will be held at Manchester Show on October 31st, at 3.30 in the afternoon, when I trust as many members as possible will attend, as there will be some very important business on the agenda. In view of the fact that three of the shows to which we had allotted our patronage have been cancelled, some other arrangement will have to be made as to the allocation of the club's support. If any member has any scheme, and will not be present at the meeting, I should be glad if he would forward me particulars in order that I may bring it to the notice of the members present.

JNO. HOPKINS, Sec.

126, Bury New Road, Bolton, Lancs.

North Staffordshire Societies Decide on Inter-club Shows.

Sir,—In view of the fact that the local societies had considered it advisable to abandon their open event this season, the decision to hold a series of inter-club shows appears to be an excellent one, if interest in the Cage Bird Fancy is to be maintained until the country is in a more normal condition. A meeting of delegates was held at Stoke on Oct. 6th, Mr. C. J. Robinson, chair, Mr. Hulme, treasurer, Mr. Pitchford, secretary. It was decided that each show should be confined to bona fide members of the societies participating. Two shows to be held, one at

"BUSINESS AS USUAL."

Elgin Provides a Show for the North of Scotland.

Sir,—The Committee of the Elgin C.B.A. have decided to hold their Fifth Annual Show as usual, on December 25. The Committee hope that all fanciers in the North of Scotland will support them and help to make the show a success financially by sending as large an entry as possible. The show will be run on lines similar to last year, and we look forward with confidence to another successful fixture.

A. W. DOUGLAS, Sec.

Old Shildon Show is Going Ahead.

Sir,—The Old Shildon Workmen's Club Cage Bird Society's Show will be held in the club hall on Fri. and Sat., Nov. 13 and 14, when there will be 21 classes for Canaries and six classes for British; judges, J. Stanger (Pelton Fell), and W. Reid (Sunderland). We ask the Yorkshire Federation to rally round us and give us a bumping entry. We have a grand hall, with plenty of light (electricity by night), and heated by hot water.

JOHN AINSWORTH, Sec.

Llanelly's Show to Take Place in the New Year.

Sir,—One of the largest and most representative meetings of the Llanelly and Dist. C.B.S. was held at headquarters on Saturday evening last. The chair was taken by Mr. Jos. Owens, the president (Mr. Holmes) being unable to attend. The most important business before the meeting was as to the advisability of holding our show booked for January 12 next. After a free discussion by all the members it was passed that we hold our show as usual and that the proceeds be devoted to some deserving cause to be agreed upon at our next meeting. We then hope to make a start with our schedule. We trust that fanciers will remember the Llanelly Cage Bird Society with their entries. One cup was promised at this meeting, for the open Yorkshire section, to be won outright.

DANIEL JOHN, Sec.

9, Pottery Place, Llanelly.

Hanley on Nov. 7th and one at Burslem on Dec. 12th. It was not considered necessary to go outside the district for judges; secretary was instructed to ascertain the terms, etc., of several experienced local fanciers. A good classification was adopted both for champions and novices. Members can obtain schedules from their secretaries. Entry fees were fixed at 1s. 1d. per cage, with prize money on the 1s. sliding scale. Decided to hold another delegate meeting on Oct. 21st.

J. PITCHFORD, Sec.

A Young Budgerigar that Talks

Sir,—Last year, with the valuable assistance of CAGE BIRDS, I started a garden aviary, stocking it with four pairs of Green Budgerigars, and by the end of the year had disposed of 32 young birds. This year 33 young ones have already been disposed of, and there are many more, unfledged and hatching out, now in the aviary. On April 26, 1914, I gave a young cock, then seven weeks old, to a friend living at Scarborough and about a week since I received a letter from him stating that the young Budgie now talks, says "Pretty Dick," "What are you doing," and I know not what else. As I believe a talking Budgerigar is of very uncommon occurrence, I should be much interested to hear the experience of any of your readers in this respect.

RETLAW.

[We have had a number of instances of talking Budgerigars announced in our columns. Curiously enough, I myself have one at the present moment that speaks very fluently.—EDITOR.]

FOR BIRD-KEEPERS JOINING THE COLOURS.

Generous Offer by a Well-known Lady Bird-lover.

A lady offers a temporary home for the pet bird or birds of men called away owing to the War. The birds will be fed and looked after free of charge by skilled fanciers until the end of the War. Any kinds will be taken in (Parrot tribe only excepted), insectivorous and fruit-eating British or foreign species having preference, though there will be room for seed-eaters and a certain number of Canaries as well.

A formal receipt will be given in exchange for each bird left or sent, which will have its owner's name and address attached to its cage, and the birds will be given up on production of the receipt at any time.

Anyone intending to forward birds to be looked after is requested to send a postcard, stating kind of bird or birds it is proposed to send, and whether they have been kept in a cold or a warm room; and immediately they receive an answer to say there is still accommodation available, the birds can be sent or brought to The Hon. Mrs. Bourke, 73, Gloucester Place, Portman Square, London, W.

An Amalgamated Show at Liverpool.

Sir,—The Liverpool and District Amalgamated C.B.S. Show will be held in the St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, Bootle, on Jan. 1 and 2. Mr. W. A. Cowgill will judge Yorks. and Mr. C. Houlton will judge remainder. The Green Canary Association have granted their novice scheme patronage and also to the Norwich and Yorkshires in the champion classes.

A. E. HUYTON, Sec.

Partick C.B.C. Will Hold Its Show.

Sir,—At our meeting held October 9, in the Foresters' Halls, Mr. Maxwell presided over a fair attendance, met to arrange annual show, which we intend to hold this year as usual. As our old hall is not available, we have engaged the Co-operative Hall in Mansfield Street for November 7 (the show will be duly advertised), and we trust members and friends in the Fancy will give us their support.

J. F. PARK, Sec.

Whitburn Quite Undaunted.

Sir,—We have decided to go on with our open show as usual, and seeing that our small committee has been reduced through recruiting, I would appeal to the Fancy for their best support—First by giving us specials, secondly by giving a good and early entry. Our small committee are all well-known fanciers, so exhibitors can rely on their best exhibits getting well cared for. Now, fellow fanciers, let me have your name for a special at your earliest.

R. LAMBIE, Sec.

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The Shows.

SANDY F. AND F.S.

Annual show, Town Hall, Oct. 1. Cage birds were a nice lot, but several classes had to be cancelled. Mr. G. Billel judged. NOR. CK.: 1, res. Notley, real model in type and qual.; 2, 3, Wilnot, two good ones; vhc. he. Godman. HEN.: 1, Notley, lovely buff, full of bloom; 2, 3, Wilnot, nice yell. and buff; res. Godman. MULES: 1, res. Wilnot, lovely even mkd. Goldfuch milk prime cond.; 2, vhc. Godman, also Light Mule; 3, Notley, good Goldf-Greenf. BUFF.: 1, Godman, very nice Snow Bunting; 2, res. Notley, good Bramble and Reed Bunting; 3, Wilnot, col. fed Bramble. Mr. Wilnot won silver cup presented by Lord Peel for most points.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.

Show of unlighted birds, Oct. 10, headquarters, Wharf Hotel. Mr. W. Spencer, Hebdon Bridge, judged a fair entry of birds, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

OPEN. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORK.: 1, 2, 3, vhc. Mitchell; 4, Walker; he. Sutcliffe and Highley. BUFF.: 1, 2, 3, vhc. Mitchell; 4, Sutcliffe and Highley; he. Walker. EVEN. ETC.: 1, Sutcliffe and Highley. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORK.: 1, Thornton; 2, 3, Hardy: BUFF.: 1, 4, Hardy; 2, 3, Thornton; vhc. Parker. EVEN. ETC.: 1, Thornton; 2, 3, Haworth. SELF OR FOUL CINN. OR GR.: 1, 2, 4, Thornton; 3, Parker. Special most points, G. Mitchell (34 points).—G. Mitchell, Sec.

GREAT HORTON (Good Intent) O.S.

Members' Show, Grange Schools, Oct. 3. Judge, Mr. J. A. Taylor. Fifty-one birds were staged; some beauties among them. The unlighted Yorks. cock class drawing the largest number of entries (11). The points for the day to count for cup are: Ackroyd, 21; Firth, 19; Bartle, 14; Warburton, 13; Goddard, 13; Oldfield, 10; Plovering, 10. Next Members' Show Nov. 7. Judge, R. Halliday.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Firth; 3, Bartle; 4, Holden. BUFF.: 1, 3, Ackroyd; 2, Bartle; 4, Oldfield; vhc. c. Holden; he. Firth. EVEN. ETC.: YELL.: 1, Salt. BUFF.: 1, Holden; 2, Salt; 3, Warburton. YELL. YORKS. HEN.: 1, Ackroyd; 2, 4, Holden; 3, Warburton. BUFF.: 1, Ackroyd; 2, Salt; 3, Warburton; 4, vhc. Firth. UNFLG. YORKS. CK.: 1, 3, Firth; 2, 4, Wheelwright; vhc. Pedder; he. Holden; c. Ackroyd. HEN.: 1, Oldfield; 2, 4, Warburton; 3, Pedder; vhc. Salt; he. Firth. NOR.: 1, Pedder; 2, 3, Plovering; 4, Bartle; vhc. Jowett; he. Cawthra. HEN.: 1, 2, Plovering; 3, Bartle; 4, Jowett; vhc. Cawthra.—A. Firth, Sec.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN, C.B.S.

Table Show at headquarters, Oct. 6, a splendid array of 70 birds and a very large attendance, including many ladies. President Mr. Day, Hon. Sec. Mr. P. Brooks, and other officials showed a very practical interest in the proceedings. Special for best Canary was won by Mr. P. Brooks with a fine buff Norwich cock, closely pressed by a charming ticked yellow hen shown by Mr. Griffin. Mr. Stephens, who put down a fine team, won spl. for best British, with a bonny and rich coloured Bramblefinch. Mr. Willis sent a choice collection of Foreign, and annexed the special by the aid of a very nice Whydah. Spl. for best Mule or Hybrid was won by Miss Smith, with a Goldf-Bullfinch. There are no signs of decay in a Society which can muster 70 birds at an evening Table Show, secure the presence and interest of a strong bevy of ladies, and attract the attendance of some of the most acute and successful exhibitors. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

CHAMP. NOR. CK. (10): 1, spl. vhc. he. c. Brooks; 2, 3, Griffin. HEN. (6): 1, 3, Griffin; 2, vhc. he. c. Brooks. AMAT. YORKS. CK. (4): 1, 2, 3, Huggins; vhc. Mrs. Huggins. HEN.: 1, 2, 3, Huggins; vhc. Mrs. Huggins. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, Cobden; 3, Miss Smith; vhc. Penn. YORKS. CK. (10): 1, 2, 3, vhc. Everett; he. c. Day. HEN.: 1, 2, Everett. LINNET: 1, Stephens; 2, Turby. RED-POLL: 1, 2, Stephens; 3, vhc. he. c. Bates. CHAFF.: 1, Stephens; 2, Bates. BRAMBLE: 1, spl. Stephens; 2, vhc. Penn; 3, Bates. GOLDF.: 1, Stephens. GREENF.: 1, Stephens; 2, Bates. BULF.: 1, Stephens. MULE OR HYB.: 1, spl. 2, 3, Miss Smith. FOREIGN: 1, spl., 2, 3, vhc. c. Willis; he. Mrs. Huggins.

HASTINGS & ST. LEONARDS.

Final show of the season, Oct. 7, Royal Oak Hotel. Among those present were Mrs. Kirk-Bullock (a patron), Mrs. Crofts and Miss Kirk-Bullock, Hon. Sec. and Treas., Messrs. F. Wright (Tunbridge Wells), F. Slack (V.P.), A. E. Godden, Chairman of Committee, W. Turner (Battic), H. Pennells, W. Ellis (Bexhill), J. Stokes and Morris and Son. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. E. M. Barrow and Mr. H. Howick. The show proved a great success and was the second largest this season. Only those members who had exhibited at three out of the five shows were eligible for the special point prizes. Winners of point prizes throughout season:—Yorks.: 1, Morris and Son (78); 2, Veness (70). Nor.: 1, Pennells (58); 2, Cragg (43); 3, W. Turner (37). Brit.: Relf (27). Trophies for best young bird throughout the season: Yorks., Veness; Nor., French. Mr. J. Stevens judged.

NOR. CL.: 1, Cragg; 2, he. Pennells; 3, Ollie; 4, French; vhc. Cragg. TKD.: 1, Pennells; 2, vhc. Cragg; 3, French; c. Turner. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Mrs. Crofts; 2, Ollie; 3, Turner. HENS: 1, Cragg; 2, c. Mrs. Crofts; 3, Ollie; vhc. French; he. Pennells. YORKS. CL.: 1, he. Veness; 2, French; 3, vhc. Morris and Son; c. Slack. TKD.: 1, Veness; 2, Morris and Son. MKD. OR VARIEG.: 1, Morris and Son; 2, Veness; 3, French. BRIT.: 3, Relf. Mr. French's trophy winner was in Norwich cl. class and Mr. Veness's in Yorks. tkd. Exhibitors and members kindly note that owing to the war it has been decided to abandon the Open Annual Show, but the Annual Show for Members and Residents will take place as arranged, on Nov. 17 and 18. I hope all members will make a special effort to exhibit and attend the Annual Show and thus cause it to be a great success. All prizes will be given on prize distribution night, Dec. 9.—Irene Kirk-Bullock, Hon. Sec. and Treas.

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Bradford East Show Grandly Supported.

A Record Gate and an Entry that "Topped all Expectations."

The Bradford East O.S. held its sixth annual exhibition on Oct. 10, in the Park Chapel Schools. The room is an ideal one and the staging is such that the exhibits are to be seen to the best advantage. The number of exhibits was 445, which topped all expectations. The President, Mr. E. Suddards, attended the show during the judging. The society has been very fortunate in getting such an able secretary as Mr. Wm. Cruise to follow Mr. Hill, whom they had for several years. Quality was quite up to the standard of Union shows. The strongest classes were the two unlighted classes for the Rose Bowl, no less than 34 yellows and 22 buffs competing for this trophy. The winner was shown by Mr. J. Helliwell, of Skelmanthorpe, a real beauty, not of the biggest, but for col. and feather is unbeatable. Mr. W. Cowgill (Bradford) judged, and gave every satisfaction. The Sec., Mr. Cruise, got through his duties in a very businesslike manner and was ably assisted by Mr. G. Rushworth. Show stewards, Messrs. Stables, Rushworth, Hudson, and C. Cowgill. Sales stewards, Messrs. H. Hill and G. Rushworth. Railway committee, Messrs. Walker, Wilkinson, White, Wise, O. Priestley, Spencer, Riley, Walker, Metcalfe, and P. Priestley. Considering it was such a large show, the stewards got through the work of packing and sending away the exhibits in good time. Prize money was paid out in the show room to all the winners present. There seemed to be a record gate, and the show was satisfactory to all exhibitors and those connected with the society.

CHAMP. CL. YELL. YORKS. (10): 1, 2, Dykes, rare length, rich sound col., stands well up on good legs, wings and tail carr. perfect, excels in qual. for the size, shown in best cond., 2nd grand length, good head, lovely feather, not as long in flights as winner; 3, Pickup and Son, plenty of length, good round head, neat wings and tail, in high cond.; 4, Bingham and Furness, very stylish, nicely made all round, not ready yet; vhc. Bennett; he. Sutcliffe and Son; c. Stobart. BUFF. (10): 1, Mason, wonderful length, good head, well-filled neck, best of wing carr., rich level col., feathered like wax, stands correct on legs and feet, fine cond.; 2, Thomas, rare length and style, bot in col., well drawn out, neat wings and tail; 3, A. Radley, very slim and stylish, good length and shape, rather pale; 4, Lunn, hot col., nice length, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; vhc. Chittenden; he. Elsegood; c. Briggs. TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Hirst, slight griz. on head, standard length, good head, shoulders and back, well-fitting wings, pipe tail, full of nerve, sound col., stands like a Guardsman; 2, Farrar, mkd. on head, shade longer, nice shape and style, neat wings, good stock bird; 3, Ogdon Bros., wing tkd., plenty of length, slim and stylish, stands well up, not as long in flights; 4, Casey, neck tkd., good shape and style, correct pos., nice qual., pipe tail; vhc. Thomas; he. Lister and Hudson; c. Dykes. BUFF. (10): 1, Dykes, slight tick on neck, full of bloom, tight as wax, good head and neck, wings and tail perfect, good legs, in best cond.; 2, Sheard, wing tkd., nice length, full of nerve, neat head, wings, and tail, rare qual.; 3, Lister and Hudson, mkd. head and shoulders, lovely qual., good length and style, wings and tail correct; 4, Clegg, wing tkd., nice length and shape, sound col., good wing carr., will improve; vhc. Snead; he. Bennett; c. Hall. UNFLG. YELL. (34), big class of good birds: 1, Helliwell, cl., correct length and type, hot col., good round head, well-filled neck, nice hack and wings, excels in qual., A1 pos., put down in best cond., a real beauty, Rose Bowl winner; 2, Binns, cl., wonderful length, nice head, good wings and tail, sound col., not quite as clean as 1st; 3, Lingard, cl., very nicely drawn, rich col., rare qual., neat wings and tail, stylish; 4, Dykes, nice length and qual., sound col., well braced wings, stands well; vhc. Farrar; he. Bennett; c. Shackleton. BUFF. (22): 1, Beaumont, standard length, lovely qual., stands correct on best of legs, nice round head, neck well filled, wings and tail perfect, rich sound col., cond. A1; 2, Shackleton, cl., shade longer, hot col., rare qual., nicely moulded, shown well; 3, Dyson, cl., feather like wax, good head, shoulders, back, and wings, rather short in tail; 4, Dykes, cl., hot col., nice shape and style, grand qual., only fails in length; vhc. A. Radley; he. Lingard; c. Binns. UNFLG. YELL. HENS (17): 1, Clegg, cl., rare length and style, level col., beautiful qual., round head, well-braced wings, pipe tail, nicely drawn, A1 pos., in best cond.; 2, Hutchinson, c., plenty of length, grand shape and style, neat wings and tail, fails a bit in cond.; 3, Hirst, mkd. neck and wings, lovely qual., stands well up, very stylish; 4, Peel, varieg., very long, strongly built, grand qual., nice stock hen; vhc. Cruise; he. Helliwell; c. Dykes. BUFF. (15): 1, F. Self, mkd. on head, beautiful qual., nice round head, well-filled neck, well-braced wings and tail, correct pos., sound col., shown in the style; 2, Helliwell, mkd. on head, lovely feather, good wing carr., stands well, not as long-sided; 3, Sheard, grand shape and style, best of qual., fails only in length; 4, Priestley, nice length, neat wings and tail, good qual.; vhc. Dykes; he. Bailey; c. Laycock. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Shackleton, cl., plenty of length, grand qual., level col., well placed wings, well cut away, stands up on good legs and feet, shown in fine cond.; 2, Sutcliffe and Son, cl., grand length, nice shape and style, hardly as well finished; 3, Casey, cl., nice qual., good wing carr., rather stout; 4, Bailey, cl., very stylish, neat wings and tail, shade less; vhc. Mason; he. Ogdon Bros.; c. Dyson. BUFF. (9): 1, Lister and Hudson, cl., grand length, beautiful qual., good round head, well-filled neck, wings and tail carr. correct, A1 pos., sound in col., well finished; 2, Clegg, cl., lovely feather, neat wings and tail, stands up well, shade less; 3, Towers, cl., nice shape and style, sound col., not as tight, will improve; 4, Dykes, beautiful qual., very stylish, stands well; vhc. Dyson; he. Hill; c. Bingham and Furness. GREEN MKD. YELL. (13): 1, Dykes, mkd. eyes and wings, wonderful length, rich col., eplendid head and shoulders, feathered like glass, wings and tail correct, A1 pos., fine cond., wins easy; 2, Chittenden, mkd. eyes and wings, hot col., nice length, rare qual., neat wings and tail, shown in fine condition; 3, Mason, mkd. eyes and wings, lovely qual., well-fitting wings, pipe tail, stands well; 4, Lister and Hudson, even mkd., grand shape and style, hot col., nice qual.; vhc. Morrison; he. Hall; c. Snead. BUFF. (8): 1, Morrison, mkd. head, eyes, wings, rare length, sound in col., round head, well-filled neck, wings and tail well braced, stands correct, grand cond.; 2, Bennett, even mkd., wonderful length, rare shape and style, wings and tail well carried; 3, Hall, mkd. eyes and wings, beautiful qual., well-placed wings, sound col.; 4, Ogdon Bros., mkd. head, eyes and wings, neat and stylish, feathered like glass, A1 pos.; vhc. Hartley;

he. Thomas; c. Wilkinson Bros. GR. MKD. YELL. HEN (16): 1, Towers, very straight and typical, rich col., feathered like glass, lovely wings and tail, mkd. on head, eyes and wings, stands correct, on best of legs; 2, c. Wilkinson Bros., mkd. head, eyes and wings, nice length and style, neat wings and tail, very stylish; 3, Morrison, even mkd., beautiful qual., grand shape and style, just a shade less; 4, Chew, even mkd., long stylish hen, nice qual., good wings and tail; vhc. Dykes; he. Chittenden. BUFF. (9): 1, Dykes, mkd. head, eyes and wings, grand length, nice round head, well-filled neck, nicely drawn, wings and tail well carr., sound col., well shown; 2, A. Radley, slightly mkd. on wings, rare length and style, stands up well, pale in col.; 3, Morrison, mkd. eyes and wings, lovely shape and style, A1 pos., wings and tail correct; 4, Lingard, even mkd., beautiful qual., very stylish, only fails in length; vhc. Ogdon Bros.; he. Sheard; c. Saville. SELL. YELL. (15a.) (15): 1, Cruise; 2, Farrar; 3, Marsh; 4, Smith; vhc. Lingard; he. Beaumont; c. Lunn. BUFF. (12a. 6d.) (13): 1, Bennett; 2, Hoyle; 3, 4, Smith; vhc. Rushworth; he. Wood; c. Laycock. HEN (12a. 6d.) (15): 1, Beaumont; 2, Rushworth; 3, 4, Laycock; vhc. Pacey; he. Bryant; c. E. Radley. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (15): 1, Hudson, cl., wonderful length, very slim and typical, rich col., feathered like wax, nice shaped head, well placed wings, fine cond.; 2, Warburton, cl., plenty of length, rare qual., neat wings and tail, not as steady; 3, Boulton, cl., nice length, very breedy, good wing carr., bit slack; 4, Chapman, cl., very stylish, beautiful feather, will improve; vhc. Northrop; he. Fielding; c. Wilman. BUFF. (17): 1, J. S. Taylor, cl., beautiful cond., sound col., well on legs, nicely drawn, well-placed wings and tail, very stylish, not so big, shows well; 2, P. Taylor, wing tkd., longer, grand shape and style, neat wings and tail, not as tight; 3, Harney, cl., lovely qual., level col., good head and wings, rather short tail; 4, Naylor, cl., very breedy, full of nerve, nice shape and style; vhc. Moore; he. Boulton; c. Firth. MKD. CK. (17): 1, Studd, buff mkd. head and wings, beautiful qual., rare length and style, feathered to perfection, well-placed wings and tail, nicely drawn, level col., gem; 2, Crowther, yell. mkd. eyes, cheek, and wings, lovely feather, very stylish, not quite as long; 3, Harney, yell. var., very long and breedy, neat wings and tail, make good stock bird; 4, Allatt, buff mkd. head, neck, and wing, good length and style, not quite ready; vhc. Bushby; he. Dibb; c. McLoughlin. HEN (12): 1, vhc. McLoughlin, grand length, hot col., lovely qual., wings and tail, carried well, very stylish, nicely drawn, stands well up on good legs, shown well; 2, Crowther, even mkd., nice shape and style, best of qual., rather strongly built; 3, Baker Bros., even cinn. mkd., very slim and stylish, nice length, neat wings and tail; 4, Clough, wing tkd., nice qual., beautiful shape, stoutly built; he. Bennett; c. Bousfield. UNFLG. (24): 1, Crowther, cl., wonderful length, very slim and typical, rich col., best of feather, good round head, well-placed wings and tail, fine cond.; 2, Sykes, cl., very long and stylish, lovely qual., neat wings and tail; 3, Roberts, not quite as long, but nicely moulded, stands correct; 4, Wilman, nice length and style, very breedy, will do better; vhc. McLoughlin; he. Haggis; c. Sharpe. BUFF. (23): 1, Pacey, cl., not so very big, but beautiful, feathered like glass, nice round head, well-filled neck, wings and tail well carr., sound col., fine cond.; 2, Mosley, mkd. wing, feathered like wax, standard length, good wings and tail, claimed; 3, Gelder, cl., lovely shape and style, grand qual., rather strong; 4, Dibb, cl., very slim and stylish, shows breed; vhc. Firth; he. Oates; c. Butterworth and Hardy. UNFLG. YELL. HEN (13): 1, Fisher and Dyson, mkd. on back, very slim and straight, nice length, rich col., nice shaped head, wings and tail well placed, A1 pos.; 2, Northrop, cl., hot col., lovely qual., nice shape and style, not as steady; 3, vhc. F. Radley, mkd. head, very stylish, shade less, rather pale; 4, Dibb, mkd. wing, grand qual., neat wings and tail, stands well; he. E. Self; c. Warburton. BUFF. (25): 1, Rhodes Bros., cl., beautiful qual., nice length and style, very typical wings and tail, fitting correct, sound col., A1 pos., on good legs and feet, gem; 2, Hoyle, cinn. mkd. eyes, head, wing, lovely qual., very stylish, good wings and tail; 3, Ward, cl., nice length and qual., beautiful shape, not as full neck; 4, Cawthray and Son, cl., nice stylish hen, good qual. and col.; vhc. Peace; he. Dyson; c. Clough. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Hamlyn, cl., grand col., very slim and stylish, well-fitting wings and tail, sound col., beautiful qual., stands well up, shown in best cond.; 2, Sharpe, cl., typical and slim, lovely qual., well staged; 3, Fisher and Dyson, cl., beautiful feather, nice style, on stout side; 4, Craven, cl., plenty of length, nicely feathered, neat wings and tail; vhc. Pacey; he. Studd; c. Williams. BUFF. (12): 1, he. Sharpe, cl., correct size, feathered like glass, well-fitting wings and tail, level col., A1 pos., fine cond.; 2, Fisher and Dyson, cl., beautiful qual., nice shape and style, stands well; 3, Wood, cl., nice shape and type, tightly feathered, not as full neck; 4, Ratcliffe, cl., very strongly-built hen, lovely qual. stock hen; vhc. Atkinson; c. Craven. NOR. COCK (8): 1, vhc. Rolfe, cl. yell., very smart, wonderful col., stands well across perch, lovely wing carr., plenty of subs., well benched; 2, Naylor, cl. buff, very hot col., full of subs., bold breast, stands well on perch, wings and tail perfect, some preferred

SHOW DATES FIXED.

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England.

- Oct. 21.—**Aberlilly C.B.S.**—(H. H. Mortimer, Oaklands, Top Crook Hill, Cwmillery, nr. Aberlilly.)
- Oct. 22.—**Oxford C.B.S.**—(C. F. Holliday, 5a, George St., Oxford.) J.R.
- Oct. 23-24.—**Liverpool O.S.**—(Metcalfe and Green, 69, Brunswick Rd.) W.M., W.A.C., J.C.B., A.W., C.H., G.L.
- Oct. 28-29.—**London and P.O.S.**—(C. W. Law, Brimley Ho., Woodhouse Rd., N. Finchley, N.) T.H., J.H., A.S., H.J.F.
- Nov. 6.—**Leicester Hand-in-Hand.**—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St.) J.T., H.J.C.
- Nov. 11.—**Reading C.B.S.**—(O. C. Smith, 73, Audley St.) J.H.
- Nov. 13-14.—**Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.**—T. Parnaby, 14, Dent St.)
- Nov. 20-21.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., W.V.
- Nov. 24-25.—**Bristol C.B.S.**—(Mrs. B. L. Pool, 37, Manor Rd., Bishopston, Bristol.) G.G.
- Nov. 26, 27, 28.—**London C.B.A.**—(Jas. Bray, Jun., 67, St. Dunstan's Rd., Hammersmith.) J.T., E.J.R., A.C., R.L.C., F.E., J.R., A.S., C.P., J.D., A.J.M.
- Nov. 27-28.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(H. Whitney, 10, Brook St.)—A.H., E.B.
- Nov. 29.—**Stockbridge and Dis. C.B.S.**—(Sampson and Moore, Gracken Moor, Deepcar.) J.C.B.
- Nov. 29.—**Alnwick C.B.S.**—(W. A. Broadley, 12, Clayport St.)
- Dec. 2-3.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston.) J.R.
- Dec. 3.—**Abersychan C.B.S.**—(P. Sweeting, 22, Caradoc St., Pentwyn, Abersychan.) H.W.B.
- Dec. 4-5.—**Bradford Nat. C.B.S.**—(S. Midgley, 10, Victoria St., Clayton, Bradford.)
- Dec. 18-19.—**Gateshead C.B.S.**—(W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne.)
- Jan. 9.—**Doncaster C.B.S.**—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) H.W.B., J.M.
- Jan. 21-22.—**Wolverhampton C.B.S.**—(W. Harrison, 45, Darlington St.) J.R.

Scotland.

- Oct. 31.—**Forfar C.B.S.**—(D. Kerr and J. Robertson, 15, Green St.)
- Nov. 7.—**Brechin C.B.S.**—(J. Crabb, 120, Montrose Street.) E.B., J.H., C.S.
- Nov. 14.—**Hamilton Cadzow O.S.**—(W. Hamilton, 25, Orchard St.)
- Nov. 20-21.—**Glasgow C.B.A.**—(W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)
- Dec. 19.—**Newington**—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
- Dec. 31.—**Scottish National (Edinburgh)**—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
- Jan. 1.—**Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.**—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

- Nov. 7.—**Llandudno, Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A.**—(G. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rbos., Colwyn Bay.)
- Nov. 25.—**Pontypridd F. & F.S.**—(A. A. G. M'Luca, 48, Rosser St., Maesycog, Pontypridd.)
- Jan. 12.—**Llanely C.B.S.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

Ireland.

- Dec. 9-10.—**Dublin S. County C.B.A.**—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

this; 3, Corney, cl. yell., hot col., lovely shape, rather less; 4, he. Kaberry, tkd. buff, very hot col., good head and breast, stands well; c. Pedder. HENS (6): 1, 4, Kaberry, cl. buff, grand head and breast, lovely shape, sound in col., stands well across, fine cond., 4th cl. yell., hot col., very hold and shapely, good wing carr; 2, 3, Corney, buff tkd., grand shape and qual., not as big as 1st, 3rd yell., hot in col., beautiful head, stands well, lacking in breast; vhc. he. Simonett. OPEN—CINN. MKD. YELL. YORKS (7): 1, Thomas, mkd. head, cheek, wings, wonderful length, rich col., feathered like glass, nice shaped head, well-fitting wings and tail, A1 pos., fine cond.; 2, Chittenden, mkd. head, cheeks and wings, plenty of length, very slim, lovely col., perfectly feathered, nicely placed wings and tail; 3, vhc. Towers, wing tkd., beautiful qual., neat wings and tail, will do better; 4, Morrison, mkd. eyes and wings, very long and stylish, shows well; he. Hudson; c. Wilkinson and Son. BUFF. (5): 1, Morrison, mkd. head, neck and wings, lovely qual., rich col., wings and tail perfect, stands well up on good legs and feet, a beauty; 2, Mason, mkd. eye and wing, very stylish, full of nerve, grand shape and col.; 3, Hudson, mkd. cheeks and wings, straight and typical, lovely qual., less; 4, Atkinson and Firth, mkd. head and wings, long and stylish, good stock bird; vhc. Towers. CINN. MKD. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Atkinson and Firth, mkd. cheeks and wings, grand shape and style, nice qual., good head, neck and shoulders, well-fitting wings, sound col.; 2, Priestley, mkd. eyes, head and wings, very breedy, full of qual. and style; 3, vhc. Towers, nicely mkd., beautiful shape and qual., wings and tail correct; 4, Morrison, mkd. wings and eyes, very stylish, nice col., good wing carr.; he. Bennett. BUFF. (9): 1, Morrison, mkd. eye, shoulders and wings, beautiful qual., wings and tail well placed, stands correct on good legs, level col.; 2, Atkinson and Firth, mkd. eyes, neck and wings, very stylish, sound col., good wings and tail, stands well up, not as full neck; 3, Towers, beautifully feathered, level col., neat wings and tail; 4, Casey, rare length and style, good head and wings, will improve; vhc. Binns; he. Pickup and Son; c. Goodwin.

MIDDLESEX O.S.

Table Show, Oct. 8, St. John's Schools, Southall. There were some nice Norwich and Yorks., and a few good British. Messrs. Taylor and Wright won special best bird. There was a good attendance of members and friends. Mr. Jeffery Jeffers judged. Annual Members' Show is to be held on 12th Nov. and we are giving 10 per cent. of money derived from sale of admission tickets to the local War Distress Fund. NOR. OLD BIRD: 1, 2, Huxley. YOUNG: 1, 3, vhc. J. Phipps; 2, he. c. W. H. Phipps. YORKS. OLD BIRD: 1, vhc. he. Huxley; 2, Taylor and Wright; 3, Crockett; c. Lewis. YOUNG: 1, sp. c. Taylor and Wright; 2, Lewis; 3, vhc. he. Banyard; vhc. Timberlake.—J. Jeffers, Hon. Sec.

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Club Reports.

MIDLAND COUNTIES Y.C.C.

Meeting, Crown Hotel, Birmingham, October 7. The Committee had no alternative but to decide, with great regret, to abandon all competition for 1914 owing to ten out of twelve Midland societies, who have applied for patronage, cancelling their shows. Members are respectfully requested to pay subs. for 1914 now due, to enable a larger list of prizes to be put up for competition next season.—W. Wells, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Meeting and Table Show of British, Oct. 3. Nine birds were entered. Result: 1, 2, 4, c. Middleton; 3, vhc, hc, Pyrah. Mr. James Smith was elected a member. Owing to the very poor attendance the lecture that should have been given by Mr. J. Chambers had to be abandoned. Schedules for the Nov. Members' Show have been sent on; anyone overlooked please apply to me. I specially appeal to all members to support us at this show and help to keep up the enthusiasm that was shown before the outbreak of the war.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

GLASGOW (East End) O.A.

Meeting, Sept. 29, at 87, Old Dalnarnock Road, Bridgeton, Mr. A. McMillan presiding over a fine turnout of members, the business being in regard to our annual show, on Nov. 7, at above place. We are hoping to have a fine entry and successful show. Judges are: Scotch Fancy, Mr. J. Fulton, Partick, and Mr. A. Clark, Rutherglen; Nor. and Border, Mr. W. Haddock, Hamilton. We are purchasing a silver cup for Norwich section, and one for Borders; this is the first year that we have given cups towards each section. These are to be won annually by members.—D. Burnett, Sec.

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting, Oct. 3, Pillar's Cafe, Pink Lane; Mr. J. "Stone" chair. A discussion took place re special competition, as there are likely to be no shows competing; this was left over for a month. Decided to hold a table show next meeting, five classes each section. Judges: Champions, Mr. W. P. Smith; Novices, Mr. T. Parker. Mr. W. Espie gave a very interesting lecture on the general breeding and management of the Border Fancy Canary. This proved very instructive. Mr. Espie answering all the questions at the finish to the satisfaction of all present. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Espie brought a pleasant evening to an end.—M. C. Polts.

NORTHERN YORKSHIRE C.C.

Meeting, Oct. 8, Mr. Crawhall chair. The principal item was the consideration of our holding a show, and after a lengthy discussion it was unanimously resolved that we endeavour to obtain a suitable hall and hold a members' show on Dec. 5, with competitions for challenge cup, Ramsden's cup, and other valuable specials. Decided to grant our patronage to Newcastle show Nov. 14, and to give a silver spoon to each section for best unlighted bird bred by a member. Competition for the Crawhall cup for closed rung birds will be held at all shows having our patronage. A table show will be held Oct. 28. Classification: A.V. Yell, A.V. Buff, A.V. Hen, A.V. Vell, Unlighted, A.V. Buff ditto, same in novice section. Mr. A. Holden judge.—R. Tindale, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Meeting, October 8th, Mr. J. W. Lawson chair. All the shows where patronage had been granted have been cancelled, with the exception of Sunderland, and if they decide to run a show members are requested to support them, as we decided our competition to stand as previously given to them. Also to grant patronage to Newcastle members' show November 14. Cup competition as in previous years, and to give two silver spoons (one champion, one novice) for most points with three highest birds. A member kindly promised a special of 5s. for best young bird bred by a member, to be competed for Newcastle show, which I hope all members will support. Other competitions will be announced later, as we did not know definitely in regard to Gateshead show young bird cup. We are not having year books printed this season, but members will be notified of competitions held. Next meeting, October 28th; also a table show, five classes champ., five nov. Mr. T. C. Crawhall judge. The best thanks were given to the following who subscribed to cup fund: W. H. Butler, £2 2s.; E. Kennerson, £1; J. Pierson, 7s. 6d.; J. Morrison, 7s. 6d.; R. Topping, 10s.; W. McGinn, 5s.; F. W. Laidlow, 5s.; T. C. Crawhall, 5s.; J. W. Lawson, 3s.; H. Walsbury, 2s. 6d.; R. W. Smith, 2s. 6d. Yearly subs. are now due.—F. W. Laidlow, Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters, 6, The Broadway, Oct. 5. Mr. P. Rorke presided over a good attendance. The sec. explained that as soon as Great Britain became involved in the war, a meeting of the committee was called, and they unanimously decided to cancel the open show arranged for November, and substitute a members' show, to be held early in the New Year. Mr. E. J. Whittome, Mr. F. Easterling, and Mr. E. G. Pegg criticised the action of the committee, and expressed the opinion that they had exceeded their powers as a committee, and that a general meeting should have been held to decide the matter. The chairman and Mr. H. Smith defended the action of the committee, and gave many reasons why they considered the committee had acted for the best. In the end Mr. Whittome proposed, and Mr. Easterling seconded, that the question of holding an open show be discussed at the next meeting, and this was carried. Letters from the judges appointed were read, and a statement with regard to the young bird show held in July (which showed a slight profit) was made by sec. Mr. Macpherson. Surhinton, was nominated for membership. The meeting confirmed the action of the committee in appointing Messrs. Newley and Pegg to be delegates to the London Fed. A Judging Competition followed, with an entry of 18 birds, and 18 members took part; Mr. Easterling final judge. Mr. Easterling's placings were: BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Hobden. NOR.: 1, 2, c, Jay; 3, Bailey; vhc, Hobden; hc, Nash. YORKS.: 1, 2, Mrs. Wilks. A silver spoon was awarded to owner of best bird in the Nor. class. Points gained in the competition: Bailey 26, McPherson 21, Pegg 21, Mrs. Hobden 19, Wright 17, Whittome 17, Nash 15, Birch 15, Jay 12, Whiting 11, Hobden 10, Mrs. Wilks 10, Cooper 7, Smith 5. The others did not score. "Questions and Answers" followed, and proved extremely interesting, many members taking part in the discussion caused by the various questions. Sec. announced that Mr. Allen Silver, F.Z.S., had kindly promised to give a lecture at the November meeting. Votes of thanks to the chairman and Mr. Easterling closed the meeting. G. O. Smith, Sec.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting, headquarters, Mr. Suttoa chair, and a large attendance. Decided to have four open classes for local non-members, one Yorks., one Norwich for champions, and the same for novices, the proceeds of the show to go to the war fund.—E. Rone, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 10, Mr. A. Dawson chair, and a fair attendance. Mr. R. Coates, Beamish, was made a member. Several specials were promised for annual show, including silver medals for best British, best novice Canary, and special for most entries. Members please turn up at next meeting.—G. F. Bates.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 3, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, Mr. Geo. Barkess chair. New schedule was drawn up; classes: Nor. 4, Yorks. 3, Bord. 3, Crest or C.B. 1, Mile or Hyb. 1, and 10s. Sell., Brit. 7, For. 2. Decided to put show back to Nov. 28 instead of Oct. 31, to give members more time to get a few specials. Next meeting Nov. 7, when we shall be pleased to see all members attend to arrange stewards, etc., for show. Subs. due.—Jameson and Johnson.

BOOTLE C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 6, Mr. Skilling chair, and a fair attendance. One new member was elected. Schedule for annual show, Dec. 12, was drawn up; four natural-colour classes were added. Decided to omit Cinnamon-marked classes, they being a failure in previous years. Messrs. Metcalfe, Evans, and Skilling promised specials for show. The following were elected on the committee: Messrs. Croft, Critchley, Bracken, and Wilson. Owing to our secretary being at the front, all communications should be addressed A. E. Huyton, 2, Byron Road, Blundellsands, Liverpool.

MIDDLESBROUGH & TEES-SIDE

Meeting, Crown Hotel, Oct. 3. Mr. J. Carr presided over a good muster, and a good deal of business was got through. We have arranged a members' show for November 21st to keep the interest of our hobby to its usual pitch, as we have had to cancel our annual open show. We drew up a schedule, and everything looks well for success. 19 classes are provided: 11 Canaries (2 Nov.) and 8 Brit. (1 Nov.). Judges, T. Wright, Can.; F. Marwood, Brit. This ended up a good meeting. One of our old and respected members rejoined, Mr. A. Wake. Plenty of room for more; all welcome. Meetings first Saturday in month.—C. W. Watson, Vice-Chairman.

CINNAMON-MARKED Y.C.C.

At a Committee meeting on Oct. 10 at Bradford East Show it was passed that all points scored by novice members of the above club in novice classes at Yorkshire Union shows with cinn. tkd. or cinn. mkd. birds shall count in our Novice Competition. Novice members please note this, and if any member counted points at Halifax with cinn. tkd. or cinn. mkd. birds they should let me know. I noted points scored at Bradford East Show. Novice members should be very careful to mark their entry forms C.M.Y.C. opposite all entries of cinn. mkd. or cinn. tkd. birds. It would be well if members pressed their Society to make at least two classes for cinn. mkd. novice birds. Personally, I am certain these classes would fill better than do the Norwich novice classes.—R. Garnet, Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting Oct. 12, at The Church Institute. Mr. T. L. Sayer was voted to the chair; 25 members present. Members were grieved to hear of the sudden and serious illness of our esteemed hon. sec., Mr. V. Wynn, and a unanimous vote of sympathy was passed, with hopes for a speedy recovery. Letters were read from the Hon. Mrs. Booth (presenting a handsome volume on "Birds of Britain," illustrated with coloured plates as a special for annual show), Mr. F. Knight, and Mr. J. C. Birch, hon. sec. London Federation. The feature of the evening was a washing exhibition by our popular member, Mr. A. W. Curtis, who demonstrated with two birds, and fully explained his mode of procedure. He brought a drying cage of his own invention, heated by a hot water tank, which greatly interested the members. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Curtis for his kindness.—F. Thynne, Assist. Hon. Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Meeting, Oct. 5. Secretary reported replies from Hanley and Burslem Societies in favour of inter-club shows this season. Messrs. Pitchford, Bagshaw, and Bowers were appointed delegates to arrange details with the representatives of other societies. A number of suggestions were made, conducive to the success of the scheme. At adjourned meeting, Oct. 12, the delegates reported arrangements to hold two inter-club shows, one at Hanley on Nov. 7, and one at Burslem on Dec. 12, and the members expressed their satisfaction, and feel confident the scheme will prove of great benefit to the local societies. Decided to allot 15s. in special prizes at each show, to be competed for by the Stoke members as follows: 2s. 6d. for best champion Nor., 2s. 6d. best champion Yorks., 2s. 6d. best champion Mule or British; the same value was also allotted to the novice members. Next meeting, Oct. 26, when we hope to have arrangements completed. New members may be enrolled.—J. Pitchford, Hon. Sec.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

NOT SINGING (Josey).—The bird is not likely to resume singing while it continues to drop its feathers. Keep it in a fairly warm and equable place, free from direct cold draughts. If it does not seem to have made a fairly complete change of plumage, give, in addition to its usual seed diet, a morsel of bread and milk dusted with flowers of sulphur and finally sprinkled with soft sugar, every second day for a week, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water five drops of syrup of saffron and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece. But if it seems to have made a fairly good change, omit the above and begin at once with the following: Give a morsel of bread and milk as above, but without the sulphur, every second day for a fortnight or so, and on the alternate days a small piece of banana or some green salad. Twice a week give a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. In the drinking water during the same period give 20 drops of chemical food every second day. Bathe the feet once daily for two or three days in a quite warm solution of boracic acid—a small teaspoonful of the acid in a saucerful of warm water. After bathing a few minutes, dry carefully, and anoint all over with a drop of pure olive oil.

FEEDING ROLLERS FOR CONTESTS (Tiger).—For purely contest singers you need to reverse the proportions of your staple dietary, i.e., make it two parts good summer rape to one part canary. But you should make this change gradually now the birds have grown accustomed to your present dietary. In addition to this, give a small teaspoonful of egg food, or an equivalent quantity of bread and milk once a week; a similar quantity of mixed seed once or twice a week; and a morsel of green salad or fruit three times a week. The quantities and frequency of these extras must be chiefly regulated by the song and vigour of the birds. If they appear to be getting too loud, or "sing madly," on a full allowance of extras you must reduce them until the song is kept within reasonable bounds. As regards books, there is the No. 10 Nutshell on the Roller, 21d. post free, and you will find a special chapter on the Roller in House's "Canary Manual," 1s. 2d. post free, both from this office. There is also a brochure on the German Canary, by Rettich, which our Manager would probably procure for you, price about 10d., and there is the series of articles which have been appearing in our pages for some time past, which might help you.

GOT THE PINE? (Novane).—I'm afraid I do not quite know what is meant by this term. Your letter is altogether too vague to form any decided opinion upon. You ought to have described the appearance of the birds, and any symptoms of illness they exhibit as near as you could. Anyway, I am inclined to think there is not much wrong with the birds, but you may give each a morsel of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut, with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days add 20 drops of chemical food to the drinking water. If they still appear to be out of condition at end of that time, write again, and give full particulars about them.

ALWAYS GAPING (Roathite).—I suspect the bird is in an advanced stage of bronchial trouble, which may be due to exposure to cold draughts, as by hanging its cage in or near a window, sudden extremes of temperature, or to heated and impure air, as in the vicinity of burning lights in the evenings. See that any or all of these exciting causes are removed, and keep bird for the present in a fairly equable and comfortable place.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, Oct. 10, for four minutes' time singing. 1, 2, Nelson; 3, Caddy.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Open contest for quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Oct. 10. 17 sang. 1, Lawcock; 2, Richardson; 3, F. Johnson. Judges: Jennings and Lacy. Oct. 11; 19 birds sang. 1, F. Johnson; 2, P. Johnson; 3, Gardside. Judges: Harcastle and Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing match, Leeds Linnet and Canary Club, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane. 1, 3, Jack Chippindale; 2, 4, Jim Chippindale. Judges, E. Wood, P. Madden, and A. Butler.—Alf. Lorrimer.

Saturday matches will be held at the above house at 3, open to all; old and new friends welcome.—(Advt.)

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Wisbech (Lincs.).—Corn Exchange, Oct. 28. Judge, F. Jackson. 14 open classes: Nor. 7, Yorks. 1, Pairs 1, Brit. 2, For. 1, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 19, to Ward and Ellis, "Kilmore," Park Road, Walsoken, Wisbech.

Forfar (Scotland).—Masonic Hall, Oct. 31. Judges, A. Chalmers, J. Auld, G. Martin. 37 classes: Nor. 14 (2 Sell.), Bord. 11 (2 Sell.), Mules 3, Brit. 7, For. 1, Sell. 1. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 25, to D. Kerr, 15, Green St.

Oxford C.B.S.—Old Masonic Hall, Alfred St. Judge, J. Robson. 33 classes: Nor., open 3 (3 unlighted); Amat., 2 (1 unlighted); Yorks., open 4. Amat. 2 (1 unlighted); Dutch Frills, 1; A.O.V., 1; Mules, 3; Brit. 8 (1 Amat.); For., 2; Sell. 2 (the limit in amateur classes is £2). Prizes, 10s. 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close 11th Oct. Judge, C. F. Halliday, 58 George Street.

Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Twice a week give in addition a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and a morsel of banana or green salad three times a week. In the water add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn for three consecutive days, and after this give five drops each of oxymel of squills, tincture of lobelia, ipecacantha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a fortnight.

A WEAK GRIP (F. Cooper).—It is not very unusual for birds to show some weakness of grip on the perch at some stage of the moult, and it is due to tenderness owing to more or less peeling of the scales rather than rheumatism, as you fancy. Bathe the feet once daily for a day or two in a warm solution of boracic acid—a small teaspoonful of the acid in a saucer of warm water. After bathing a few minutes, dry, and anoint gently with Lanocyllin ointment. This will quickly remove the apparent weakness. You may also dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea in its drinking water for two days.

YORKSHIRES DYING (E. Hight).—A post-mortem is really the only certain means of eliciting the true cause of death after the event. The symptoms you name are very suggestive of broncho-pneumonia, which might arise from a chill due to a sudden change of weather, or even, at this season, in certain birds, from too vigorous bathing. Assuming this was the cause of your birds' deaths, you could have done very little for them. The only rational treatment would have been to remove birds at once to a quite warm temperature, offer a diet of bread and milk, with a little maw seed, add 30 drops of brandy to each ounce of drinking water, and leave the rest to Nature. The outlook is rarely hopeful in these cases.

A WINTER LAYER (Craig Hill).—It is not very unusual for a hen to go on laying at intervals during the autumn and winter, and the present autumn is not likely to reduce the number of these prolific specimens. In reply to your questions: (1) It is merely a phase of abnormal prolificacy. (2) It depends upon the individual and the amount of excessive production whether it is harmful. It is not often that harm would accrue in a strong, robust hen. (3) Put on a quite plain diet, give plenty of space for exercise, add a pinch of Epsom salts to the water occasionally, keep all nesting facilities and material out of reach, and, preferably, keep hen out of sight and bearing of male birds.

CANARY SEED (R. C. C.).—The sample of canary seed sent is very clean, well ripened and sweet, and of good quality throughout except in size, which is very small indeed. Still, it is quite suitable for any class of stock, the only drawback of its small size being an undue proportion of husk when using large quantities, which renders it less economical.

VARIED (Threë Queries, C. A. Y.).—(1) I take it the birds were quite through the moult when you moved them to the new house, which is probably a little colder than the one they were accustomed to previously. The following treatment will, in that case, soon stop the renewed moulting. In addition to your staple seed diet, give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and four of sherry well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana and half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats. Also dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry (two tablespoonfuls), add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give twenty drops of this mixture in the drinking water every second day. Continue this treatment until a few days after the birds cease dropping feathers. (2) Yes, it will be quite safe to cut back the overgrown tip of the upper mandible to a normal length. Hold bird's head securely between the thumb and first finger of left hand and nip off the overgrowth with a sharp pair of nail or embroidery scissors held just up to tip of lower mandible. (3) The value of linseed in a seed mixture for Canaries, if for regular use, is negative, when not actually harmful. During the latter part of the moult it is useful in small proportions in a mixture intended for occasional use, as it helps to repair the extra drain on the system, and tends to add lustre and polish to the new plumage. Used similarly, it is also sometimes useful for birds kept in cold places during exceptionally severe weather. But for general or regular use it is best left alone, being far too oily and fattening.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THRUSH IN AVIARY (J. Brocks).—You omitted to send your address, according to rule; perhaps you will let us have it on a post-card. The breeding of insectivorous birds in confinement has not been attended with a great deal of success, chiefly because of the difficulty experienced in giving them suitable food to rear the young. Although birds in captivity feed readily upon farinaceous food, they require a considerable quantity of live insects to induce them to rear their young successfully. If you think you can manage the feeding, there is no reason why you should not have a try to breed them. Remember your chances of success are influenced more by the behaviour of the hen bird than the cock, so I would advise you to secure a young hand-reared specimen, and keep her as tame as possible during the winter months. A rough bundle of branches will do admirably as a site for the nest; place it in a quiet corner of the aviary and put in an old Thrush's nest, at the same time giving moss, Grass stalks, etc., for building purposes. If you decide to have a try to breed them and require any further information you had better write again in the early spring.

EXHIBITING WHITETHROAT AND BULLFINCH (A. W.).—The Lesser Whitethroat makes quite a nice bird for exhibition purposes, but its chances of success are not particularly rosy if it should be unfortunate and have to compete against much rarer birds, but you should not be disappointed if you possess a good specimen, he would be sure to get noticed somewhere. Some judges are rather partial to them. The Lesser Whitethroat is a very active bird, and I always fancy he shows himself off in a fairly large cage, say, one 14 inches long, 11 high and 6 deep. The food and water vessel should be inside, and be on swing doors let into the front rail. The colour of the bird and interior should be a rather bright one, midway in tone between the very dark and the light. I have seen one bird exhibited in a cage with a dead white background, and although

they appear large against it. It is at the expense of loss of colour and gives seeming harshness to the feather. (2) If your Bullfinch is a genuine house mounted bird you must exhibit him in the class provided for them. The fact of his legs being dark is not unusual in a first year house-mounted bird; they will get lighter each succeeding year. You should also remember that no stands a much better chance of success against house-mounted birds than against field-mounted, especially in the early part of the season. You can rely upon the judge recognising your bird as a house-mounted specimen.

BIRDS BARE OF FEATHERS (F. C. Lockwood).—In your letter you say your birds have failed to grow their feathers and are "hopping about quite naked." If this is a literal statement of facts I must say I have never met with a case quite like yours. Some time ago I was called in to see a collection of birds that were bare of feathers in certain parts; naked looking, but not quite naked. Upon catching one of them I found it infested with grey lice, which were destroying the feathers as they grew; and I fancy this must be

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nut-shell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2, "Linnets," No. 3 "Siskin," No. 4, "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 5 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

your trouble, for although birds may bath freely they cannot get rid of them, as they hide in the down of the feathers; and when a bird bathes it is only the exterior parts of the plumage that get wet. If you find I am correct your best plan will be to catch up the birds, two or three at a time, and thoroughly wash them with soap and water, as is done for exhibition, and then place them in perfectly clean cages, keeping them away from the others until all have been treated, when the aviary should receive a thorough cleaning either by scrubbing with soap and disinfectant or by fumigation. (2) Your feeding appears to be quite in order as regards staple food, but a little mixed seed twice a week would no doubt be acceptable and make a nice change for them. Sunflower is also a capital food for birds flying in an aviary.

WHAT SEED? (Tug).—I am sorry I am unable to give you the name of the seed of which you send a sample. I notice it among the collection of wild seeds that I purchase for my birds, and will look out for it when I am collecting in the fields, and should I detect it I will include it in my answers; perhaps you will watch these notes. In examining the seeds left by the birds I do not notice any similar to those you sent, so it is evident they are fond of it. I should think a spoonful to each bird given two or three times a week would be quite sufficient.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

GOING BLIND (A. M. Walker).—This is a case which can only be dealt with after an examination, especially as the bird has already lost the sight of one eye. There is nothing for you to do but call in some local vet. to make an examination to ascertain whether the sight can be saved or not. If the sight cannot be saved then you had better let the vet. destroy it for you. A cold in the eye or local inflammation can be dealt with through the post, though not such a case as yours. Perhaps it would be better for you to take the bird to some vet. who has made actual study of bird diseases, and I should be interested to know his dictum, if you will kindly drop me a line per the Editor.

LOST ITS FEATHERS (S. W. Smith).—Before I give you a full reply I must ask you for more details, such as: how long has it been in this condition? Is its condition the result of either feather-eating, or feather-pulling, or do the

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Acadavata," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pelin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

feathers merely drop out and are not replaced? If you have given me the whole of your dietary it is not varied enough, at the same time you must not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, nor yet any kind of animal food. Supply, in addition to the seed-mixture, ripe fruit (any kind it will take), nuts (shelled walnuts as good as any), stale crusts or biscuit, a little plain cake—either of the three last items may be thinly spread with Scott's Cod-liver Oil Emulsion. Grit, cuttlebone, and pieces of wood with the bark on should be regularly supplied. Put one teaspoonful of Dinnford's magnesia into the drinking water and repeat the dose after an interval of three days. When writing again state what kind of Parrot yours is.

GREEN PARROT (N.S.).—I am afraid you must let a vet. see your birds if the growths are on the side of the tongue, but you give me no idea of their extent. If they are only sores in the form of small spots, full of matter, treat them by putting in its mouth a little honey and borax once or twice daily till they disappear. The honey and borax can be administered either by letting the bird bite it from the end of a stick, or smearing it on the tongue with a feather; whichever is used it must be cleansed each time before putting it again in the mixture. The bird's system is altogether out of order, and the heat and inflammation of the legs and feet are the

result of this. Give one teaspoonful of Dinnford's magnesia in the drinking water, sufficiently often to keep the bowels moving freely without there being any appearance of chronic diarrhoea. Half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites in the drinking water on the days you are not giving the magnesia will help the bird. If you can handle the bird bath its legs and feet in quite hot water, dry with a soft cloth, and then paint with brandy or whisky; a mop camel-hair brush is best to use for the purpose. Do not give tea, coffee or milk-sops, table scraps, nor any kind of animal food. Seed mixture, ripe fruit, nuts, pieces of stale household bread, plain cake and biscuit, form a sufficiently varied dietary for most groups of Parrots. Report progress in about a fortnight, and then state whether your bird has a long or short tail—I shall then know which group it belongs to.

LEAVING BIRDS OUTSIDE (Mowgli).—The birds you name will be quite safe outside for another week or two in any case, and before I answer your query I must ask you to give a short description of your aviary, size of flight and shelter separately, and also the aspect of the aviary. It is quite impossible to give you a helpful reply without the above details. However, I think it would be safer to take indoors the Cordon Bleus and Lavender Finches and keep them in a roomy cage, at any rate for this, their first winter in this country.

FEATHER-PICKER (M.D.).—I am afraid you have made a very bad bargain in purchasing such a bird, for once a bird becomes confirmed in the habit (vice) of feather-pulling it is but seldom a cure is effected, and in any case it is a long and trying operation. Diet the bird as advised in the "Nutshell." Every fourth day put one teaspoonful of Dinnford's Magnesia in the drinking-water, and on other days half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites. Paint the bare parts with Spratts' "Pennaqura," but only put on lightly, not using sufficient to run among and materially grease the plumage. If the bird will eat either a piece of household bread, biscuit, or plain cake, lightly moisten with chilled water whichever it fancies most, and then dust with flour of sulphur; give it a piece so treated twice a day. Also supply a piece of either of the above thinly spread with Scott's Cod-liver Oil Emulsion once a day if you can induce it to take it. Treat it so for about a month and then report progress.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

R. V. Wagner.—We quite appreciate your point of view, but we are afraid the "treatment" you mention would be of no service in the great majority of cases.

Manco.—Birds travelling on approval are at the risk of the owner. If a death or deaths occur owing to any delay or neglect on the part of the railway company, he can claim up to 5s. per bird from them; more, of course, if the birds were insured to their full value. The person receiving the birds on approval must naturally use care in returning them—i.e., properly pack and label them, and forward by the best route; in neglect of doing so he could be held liable to pay the value of any birds lost.

POST MORTEM.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

J.E.C.—Budgerigar was egg-bound, but in addition had extensive pneumonia lesions. There was no sign of infectious disease.

P. Linn.—Canary died as the result of liver disease. This organ had undergone fatty degenerative changes, was soft and friable. It is sometimes of dietetic origin, sometimes of a contagious nature, excrement of affected birds carrying the contagion, the latter cause I rather suspect from the previous history of the case. I would advise you to institute a method of disinfection, and to isolate any apparently affected birds, whilst paying particular attention to cleanliness.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Oct. 21, Station Cafe, 8. Hear report of committee re members' show and washing competition for novices.—C. Bailey.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Oct. 20, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom (entrance Chapel-st.), 8. Open show business. Important announcement. All attend early.—J. Spencer.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Social Club, 7.30. General business.—H. Seely.

Birkenhead Can. F.A.—Oct. 20, Abletts Cafe, 8. Lecture: Birds I have met in the Wallasey district, by Mr. W. Mallinson. Important business concerning old show.—G. Morton.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Victoria Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. J. Reed. Entries Friday night, 8 to 10.—H. Bryant.

Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Foresters' Arms, 7.30. Final arrangements for show, specials; entries must be in at this meeting; cup holders to return cups.—J. Stirling.

Bradford East O.S.—Oct. 20, Park Chapel Schools. Members' show; judge, Mr. A. Cooper. Birds staged 7.15. Entries Monday night.—W. Cruise.

Bradford National Show Committee.—Oct. 21, Market Tavern, 8. Important show business.—S. Midgley.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Oct. 21, Shoulder of Mutton, 7. Members' show; entries Tuesday night till 9.30; judges, Messrs. Ogden Bros.—F. P. Terry.

Bramley O.S.—Oct. 16, Carnival Rooms, 8. General business; entries for members' show, etc.—F. Page.

Burnley O.S.—Oct. 21, Star Inn, Church-st., 7.30. Members' show business. Also lecture by Mr. T. Edwards, on Finishing the moulting, and preparing for exhibition.—T. Chadwick.

Coventry O.S.—Oct. 21, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Business of open-show. Distribution of schedules and tickets.—A. Green.

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WANTED.

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries or Mules: T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (1815)
COCK Canary, Crested Preferred, but must be good songster, 1914; Macara, 447, New City-rd., Glasgow.

WANTED, anything alive, for cash, or exchange other stock: Pearson, Royal Menageries, Greenwich. (1817)

WANTED Canaries, in exchange for a good talking Parrot, or sell for £4 10: Goldin, 120, Tib-st., Manchester. (1807)

WANTED, Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Crests, and Cinnamons: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1813)

WANTED, mincing machine; exchange breeding cages, foods, appliances: 93, Lloyd-st., C-on-M., Manchester. (1811)

WANTED, Canaries, Parrots, also dogs, adults and puppies, cheap, for prompt cash: Franklin, Goudd-rd., Feltham. (1816)

OFFERS for four cocks, two crested cocks, good strain, value 50/-; stamp reply: J. Spriggs, Sandy-rd., Pottin, Beds. (1814)

WANTED, dark suit, good, exchange two cocks, hen, large birds, Midgley's and Vardy's strains: F. Cook, Pembroke. (1814)

OFFERS in Canaries; exchange pair of Scotch woolen blankets, full size, value 25/-: Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1816)

WANTED, Canaries, all kinds, healthy birds; send lowest prices to A. Leitch, East End Bird Mart, 520, Gallowgate, Glasgow. (1783)

WANTED, a large quantity of Canaries for export, best prices given, cash per return: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1814)

WANTED, Canaries, Foreign; exchange very fine violin, bow, case, large quantity music, £2; offers: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham. (1813)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds: Mrs. Martin, 93, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1816)

WANTED, Parrots, Pigeons, Poultry, Dogs, Monkeys, Rabbits, Birds; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1818)

WANTED, large colour-fed Norwich for export; will give 7/- a pair for large birds: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1799)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets and all kinds of British: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1811)

WANTED, Canaries, cock Goldfinches and Mules; cash or exchange; cages, any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1817)

NOTICE.—Wanted, for spot cash, all kinds of Canaries, Mules, foreign birds: Apply at once to Hodgkinson, 4, Sandy-lane, Stockport. (1817)

WANTED, fresh caught Goldfinches, Bullfinches, etc., in exchange for talking Parrot and cage, value 30/-: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1816)

WANTED, colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries and cock Goldfinch Mules; state lowest price: Sandiford's, 89, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London. (1812)

WANTED, boat-shaped pram, good condition; exchange Yorkshires to value; letters please: Craven, 4, Cambridge-terrace, Chapel-town-rd., Leeds. (1812)

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Plough Hotel, Queen Victoria-rd., 8.30. Show business; entries close Oct. 19.—F. A. Green.

Cowdenheath C.B.S.—Oct. 17, 6.30, Waverley Rooms. Business, important.—A. Robertson.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Oct. 21, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Special show business, final subs. due.—H. Legg.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Black Swan, 3. Members' show, staged 3; judge, Mr. J. Chambers.—H. Cockrem.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Oct. 19, Headquarters, 8. Urgent business.—J. Alderslade.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Oct. 17, Fountain Inn, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. R. Garnett Windhill. Entries Friday night, 8 to 10; also day of show until 2.30.—S. Wilcock.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Oct. 20, Cairns Memorial Hall, Gorgie-rd., 8. Special show business, etc. (annual) table show of Canaries and Mules, and lecture by Mr. A. W. Watson.—J. C. Charlton.

Felling-on-Tyne F. and F.S.—Oct. 17, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30.—Election of judges for November table show, also judges for annual show, and other business.—W. Stockton.

Garston B.B.A.—Oct. 21, Club Room, Earp-st., 8. A washing exhibition by a noted man. Friends invited. Bring own birds.—A. T. Mullock.

Great Horton O.S.—Oct. 17, Butchers' Arms. Also members' show; birds staged at 3; judge, Mr. J. Greaves.—J. Holroyd.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Dawson's Temperance Bar, 7.30. Special business.—R. F. Dixon.

Larkhall C.B.A.—Oct. 17, Y.M. Halls, 7. Show business.—A. Thomson.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Oct. 20, White Swan, 8.30. Schedules ready.—A. Freestone.

Linton and Woodhorn C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Social Club, 7.30. General business. Subs. due.—J. Anderson.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Oct. 17, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., E.C., 8.30. Washing demonstration by Mr. Shakespeare, and a washing competition for members; please bring birds.—W. Gilbert.

Manchester and Northern Counties' O.S.—Oct. 19, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Open show, schedules ready.—F. Wilkinson.

Manningham C.B.A.—Oct. 17, Mowbray Arms, 2. Members' show, Mr. T. Tidswell judge; entries Friday night.—H. Grange.

Northern British, Mule, and F.B.C.—Oct. 17, Lockhart's, 65, Grainger-st., 7.30. Special business, table show, Linnets, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, A.O. Hardbill, Foreign. Subs. due.—W. Curry.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Oct. 20, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale-rd., Harpurhey, 8. Final arrangements for Nov. show. New members and friends invited. Subs. due.—A. Colley.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Granby Hotel. Members' show. Birds staged 3 o'clock. Judge, Mr. H. Long, Bradford.—W. Jagger.

South Shields C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Cyprus, 7. Schedule for show.—W. L. Smith.

Tong C.B.S.—Oct. 17, Hand and Shuttle Inn. Members' show. Birds staged 3; judge, Mr. P. Mason, Windhill.—W. Walker.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Oct. 20, Village School Room, Alexandria, 8. Most important business regarding annual show.—A. H. McLean.

Wandsworth F.S.—Oct. 22, Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, 8. Arrangements for annual show, Nov. 26.—W. Lightfoot.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Oct. 20, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Inter Club show.—W. G. Andrews.

Windsor C.B.A.—Oct. 21, Headquarters, 8.30.—Final arrangements for members' show.—H. Simms.

Yorks C.B.S.—Oct. 21, All Saints' School Room. Members' show; judge, Mr. Halliday. Birds staged 6.30. Entries close Oct. 18.—V. G. F. Zimmermann.

NOTICE.—Will give 6/- per pair for good Norwich and Yorkshires, also wanted Crests, Border Fancies, Mules; good prices given: McKeand, Scarthill, Castle Douglas. (1791)

WANTED, Canaries or British for gold-plated double curl Albert, cost 25/-, and silver lever watch by Pattenon, Bradford; or sell £2: Snell, 6, Vickers Buildings, New-law-st., Lincoln. (1814)

WANTED, two good Thermos flasks, walking-stick seat, strong shooting boots, 410 or 23 bore shot cart-ridges, for gamekeeper; exchange first-class British birds: yours first: Ashton, Mafeking-st., Gatehead. (1814)

WANTED, a Linnets Mule, Goldfinch Mule, with Linnets and Goldfinch song, also a Goldfinch and Skylark; all must be free and loud singers by day and night; no rubbish: deposit: Waddie, Little Duke-st., Stamford-st., London, S.E. (1815)

WANTED Norwich, Yorkshires, colour fed preferred, also rollers, for cash; or exchange the following: Schipperke litch, £2; Goldfinch Mule, £1; half-plate camera, complete with leather case, £4 13s., cost £7 10s. lately: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S., Glasgow. (1815)

WANTED, any quantity hen Canaries, all breeds, for spot cash; or exchange selected Britishers for show; state breed and lowest price; also wanted, show cages in exchange for Britishers; strictly honourable dealings guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (1806)

Wanted—Birds, Dogs, Poultry Monkeys, Parrots, Canaries, purchased or exchanged, will deposit with CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby Place, Bethnal Green, London. (1794)

WANTED

a reliable all-round bird-catcher, one from Sherbourne, Dorsetshire, preferred: Write Enoch Power, 91, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY of hen Canaries, Norwich, Yorkshires, and Borders, and light hen Goldfinch Mules; will give 18/- to 21/- doz.; cash or deposit, "Cage Birds": Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1817)

WANTED

500 Norwich and Yorkshires and common hen Canaries, will give 18/- doz.; also will give 4/- each for cock Goldfinch Mules, in full song, stamped envelope, reply: Enoch Power, 91, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

WANTED!

Surplus Budgerigars, brilliant Parakeets, talking Parrots, or whole Aviaries that must be disposed of. **CROSS, OTTERSPOOL, LIVERPOOL.**

Wanted, 5,000 Canaries & Mules

Will give 7/- per pair for large Colour-fed Norwich, 10/- per pair for Crests, 5/- each cock Goldfinch Mules, 4/- each cock Linnets Mules. I also require Lancashires, Lizzards, Borders, Scotch Fancies, Yorks, or Norwich Greens and Cinnamons, and Rollers. Good prices given. Will deposit cash with Editor. Send full particulars and stamp for reply.—H. Gledhill, Fleet Lane, Queensbury, Bardford. (1817)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

WHAT offers in Wild Birdery for black pug dog pup, £2: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. (1808)

EXCHANGE 3 Poms, pups, 2 black, 1 chocolate, for selected British, or sell, 7/6: Patrickson, Uphall Station, Uphall. (1816)

TWO cock Greenfinch Mules, 6/- each; exchange large cock Goldfinches: Thomas Wallen, 10, Salop-st., Caerphilly, nr. Cardiff. (1810)

LINNETS, of the highest quality song, always on sale, or exchange: Apply, Secretary, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds. (1817)

TWO house-moulted cock Bramblefinches, steady; exchange small foreign; offers; postcard: Low, 48, Loanhead-terr., Aberdeen. (1817)

WANTED, exhibition cock Goldie; exchange cock Bullfinch, caged since February, and Green Norwich hen: Ashton, Besthorpe, Newark. (1814)

TWO field-moulted cock Goldfinches; exchange good singing Mule, pure notes, or cock Canary: Clements, 4, Jaynes-rd., Tewkesbury. (1815)

FOUR extra large cock brown Linnets, pencilled to perfection, steady, can win, 5/- each; exchange: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1816)

BIG Yorkshire cock brown Linnets, field moulted, Norwich type, gems, 3/6 dozen; exchange mule or Roller: Ellerington, Tindale Lane, Beverley. (1812)

SCOTCH hardheads, 700 1/3, carriage paid; exchange quantity for Goldfinches or Norwich: Williamson, Somerville Court, North Berwick. (1813)

LOOK—Yorkshire cock brown Linnets, contest singers, 3/6 dozen, 2/- half; exchange Goldfinch; satisfaction guaranteed: Ellerington, Tindale Lane, Beverley. (1812)

TWO muzzle-loading guns, one single and one double barrel, in good condition, with powder and shot flask, sell or exchange anything useful: J. Keevil, Stourton, Wilts. (1810)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, Norwich, Scotch Linnets, Larks, in song, Goldies or Bullies, for scrap brass, copper, block tin: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1815)

PAIR of flatnets, square mesh, 13 yds. long, 6ft. deep, 2-mesh, 10/6; or exchange British or hen Mules; Bluetits, 1/6 pair; Coalbits, Marshbits, 2/- each; cage-moulted cock, Mealy Redpoll, show condition, 5/-: Mr. Kemp, 34, Tovey Place, Kentish Town. (1814)

SPECIAL notice to exhibitors and fanciers. I will exchange all kinds of British birds for show, muling, contest, singing, for any variety of Canaries and Mules; state wants at once to, Hollinshead, Cheshire Aviaries, Howard-st., Stockport. (1817)

TRUE pairs Goldfinches, 2/6; Linnets, 1/-; Redpolls, 1/-; Greenfinches, 1/-; Bullfinches, 2/6; Chaffinches, 1/-; Cutthroats, 3/-; Javes, 2/6; Green Budgerigars, 5/6; yellow Budgerigars, 6/6; Cordon Bleus, 5/-; Cockatiels, 12/6; all from outdoor aviaries; approval, deposit, or exchange: A. J. Underwood, Bird Specialist, Wellington-st., Kettering. (1812)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE Norwich cocks, good type, for gent's
Hun boots, superior make, size tents: Dyer, Castle-
st., Thornbury, Glos. (1812)

LARGE buff var. Norwich cock 6', buff hen 3/6,
cage 1/-; exchange good razors, or offers: Clark,
2, King-st., Peterhead. (1813)

PAIR Yorkshires and cock Mealy Redpoll, 6/-; ex-
change good singing Norwich: A. Millard, Skermer-
rd., Friskney, S.O., Lincs. (1810)

NORWICH cock, 4/-; H.M. cock Linnet 2/-, or
exchange two Norwich or Yorkshire hens: "Confee-
tioner," 63, Wellington-st., Luton. (1813)

TWO champion 1914 Crested cocks, one 7s. 6d.,
other 6s. 6d.; exchange 1914 poultry; no Bantams:
Sikes, Enland, Crowle, Doncaster. (1812)

FEW good stork show homers; exchange for Nor-
wich or Crests; approval, stamp: William John-
son, 113, Hey-lam-rd., Southport. (1813)

EXCELLENT cock Canary, full song, exchange for
pair of light or heavy boots, size 8: Porter,
8, Devon-shire-st., Worksop, Notts. (1813)

FOR sale: 2 pairs of high class winning Norwich,
4/-, or exchange anything useful for household;
offers: Mackintosh, Popewicks, Peterhead. (1815)

SPLENDID cock Linnet Mule, 5/6; sluing,
mottled; exchange young green Norwich fin: "ut-
hill, 198, Farringdon-rd., Billings, London. (1811)

THREE good Nor. hens, sell 28/-, or exchange for
one good Crested hen 1914 breed; no rubbish offered
or wanted: Bond, Lamphay, Pembrokeshire. (1812)

TWO pairs Norwich, outdoors, 7/- pair; large hen
Hawthorn, steady, 3/-; wanted, Siberian Goldies, or
15/- Police, Albrighton, Wolverhampton. (1814)

EXCHANGE large Green Norwich cock, 1914 breed,
for two good Border show cages and carrying case;
approval; yours first: Showler, Bridgend, Bathgato.
(1812)

EXCHANGE two pairs Norwich Canaries show
birds, colour fed, for good lady's cycle, or offers:
Apply Abel, The Grove, Nerton, near Swallowham.
(1814)

EXCHANGE high-class Borders, Norwich, Rollers,
or exhibition Britishers for oil heating stoves; also
Primus stove; Ross, Cage Manufacturer, Forres,
N.B. (1814)

SIX good hen Canaries, two good 1914 York-
shire cocks, full song; exchange gent's cycle, any-
thing, offers, sell 35/-: Pratt, Market-st., Long
Sutton, Lincs. (1813)

PRIZE bred Norwich cocks, yellow 7/-; buff 6/-;
gent's tweed suit, 38 breast, good condition, 10/-;
d.b. gun, muzzle loader, 6/-; H. E. Parnell, 4, Gt.
Hales-st., Market Drayton, Salop. (1813)

NOTICE.—Will give good exchange in Yorkshire,
Norwich, and Border show cages for Canaries or
Mules, Goldfinches, or Bullfinches, or Foreign birds;
McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1791)

FINE green Crest-bred cocks, from 20/- each; or
exchange for phonograph and records; must be
good; approval both ways: Walter Radley,
Paradise Square, Skelthorpe, near Hudders-
field. (1817)

EXCHANGE prize-bred Yorkshire Canaries, in ex-
change for prize rough Coltha bitch, for showing
purpose, age about 6 months old, approval both
ways: Jones, 15, Mellor-grove, Old Trafford, Man-
chester. (1814)

EXCHANGE one Green Yorkshire (cock) also 2
Green Yorkshire hens and 1 1/2 Belgian hen, good
stock birds, for schoolmaster Roller, or sell for 16/-:
S. Wilkinson, 465, Liverpool-rd., Patricroft, Man-
chester. (1814)

TWO yellow green hens, 4/- each; buff green cock,
6/6; two hen Mules, 2/6; two grand Greenfinches,
2/6 each; exchange for exhibition Norwich buff cock
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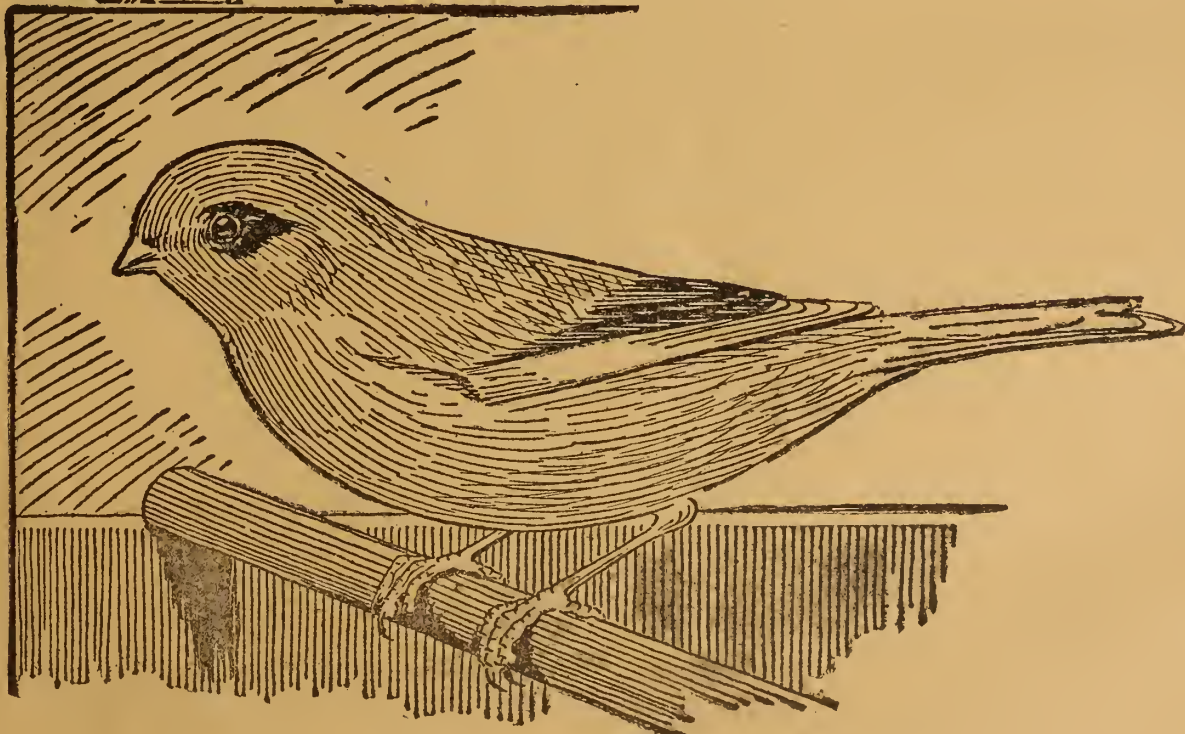
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SKYLARKS; large, selected Lincolnshire cock Skylarks, fat, clean and healthy, 2/6 doz., six 1/6; show specimens, 6d., hens 1/3 dozen: Jackson, Birdcatcher, Bardney, Lincoln. (1824)

WOODLARKS, the King of Songsters, cock Woodlarks, 2/6 each, hens 1/6 each; selected cock, nicely on song, 5/-; special Woodlark cages, 5/-: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1828)

LARKS, Larks; English cocks, 2/6 per dozen, 1/6 the half-dozen, or 6d. each; extra selected, fit for show; all birds carefully selected before sending; note, no deception: R. Coulton, Gorse Lane, Tarleton, near Preston, Lancashire. (1823)

MAGNIFICENT adult cock Black Redstart, tame, perfect, sure win, 70/-; cock Goldencrest, 1st Clapham, 25/-; Waxwing, 25/-; pair Grey Wagtails, fine birds, 12/6; Nuthatch, moulted, perfect, 7/6; Frost, 13, Fairlawn-avenue, Chiswick, London. (1825)

HAND-REARED Nightingale, guaranteed cock, 12/6; aviary moulted yellow Wagtail, gem, 7/6; ditto Goldfinch, beauty, 6/6; pair Cordons, own breeding, 5/-; approval; deposit; exchange good air rifle: Lewis, Hallwood-rd., Kettering. (1825)

SKYLARKS, Skylarks, healthy specimens, in song, for shows and contest singing. Learn how to obtain them and keep them. "Nutshell No. 3" tells you. 2/6, post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list frequently published).

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THE Song Thrush and Blackbird.—Full directions how to keep these favourite songsters in the best possible condition; together with directions for hand-rearing the young and the selection of show birds, will be found in "Nutshell No. 4," 2/6, post free from "Cage Birds," 154 Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list published frequently).

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Miscellaneous.

EXHIBITION Bullfinches, aviary moulted cocks from 2/- each; Gay, Moor-st., Quinton, Birmingham. (1826)

AVIARY birds, well mixed cocks and hens, 1/- doz.; better sorts, 2/- doz.; splendid value; clean, healthy birds: Jackson, Birdcatcher, Bardney, Lincoln. (1824)

BULLFINCH cocks, 2/-, 2/6; hens, 1/6 each; few cock Canaries, 4/- to 7/-, satisfaction guaranteed; cages free: Smith, 4, Chapel-st., Longridge, Preston, Lancs. (1823)

LINNETS, Chaffinches, Redpolls, cocks, three 1/-; picked Linnets, on song, three 2/-; two pairs Goldfinches, 2/6 pair; wanted clippets, 6 yards, Whippet-Terrier pup: S. Corby, 2, Sydney-rd., Watford. (1824)

GOLDFINCHES, cocks 16/- doz., hens 5/- doz.; Redpolls, full colour, 2/- doz.; Linnets, 4/- doz.; Goldfinches, cocks 15/- doz., hens 6/- doz.; mixed doz. for aviary, 2/6; Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton. (1826)

WARRANTED cock Linnets, 2/- dozen, 3 dozen 5/-; Redpolls, 2/- dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; cock Yellowhammers, 3/- dozen; 12 mixed birds, 1/-; 24 mixed, 1/6; Gotobed Fenn, The Pitt, Islham, Cambs. (1829)

EXHIBITORS, moulted specimen, perfect condition, ready for immediate exhibition, Linnets, 25/-; Bramblefinch, 30/-; Chaffinch, 20/-; Greenfinch, 20/-; Mealy Redpoll, 15/-; Lesser Redpoll, 10/-; Twite, 12/6; approval; see special list: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1825)

ENGLISH cock Goldfinches, 2/- each, 3 for 5/-; hens, 1/- each, 3 for 2/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/6; hens, 1/6; cock Skylarks, 1/-; hens, 6d.; cock Twites, 1/-; hens, 6d.; cock Redpolls, 9d.; hens, 6d.; cock Greenfinches, 9d.; hens, 6d.; cock Woodlarks, 2/6; hens, 1/6; bright mixed aviary birds, 6/- doz.; cock Siskins, 3/6, hens 1/6; Barbary Doves, 2/6 pair; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1817)

RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, three for 1/-, 3/- dozen, three dozen 8/-, 5 dozen 12/6; Goldfinches, full coloured cocks, beauties, 2/- each, three for 5/-; hens, 9d. each; Larks, warranted large cocks, only 2/6 dozen; Thrushes, Blackbirds, cocks, 3 for 2/6. Please note: Locally, I catch and handle more birds than all self-styled champion and long-resident catchers together: J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbach. (1823)

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FORTY Norwich, large cocks, in song, 5/-, 6/-; hens, 2/-, 2/6; healthy birds; Pidgeon, 109, Fairbridge-rd., Holloway.

MUST sell, 40 Norwich, some winners, and ready for show, and cages, in one lot or single: Fleet, 16, Kings-rd., Upton Park. (1826)

SEVERAL large typical Norwich, winners, and bred from winners, either sex, must sell; approval: 37, Barry-terrace, Poutypridd. (1828)

HIGH CLASS Norwich Canaries, show or stock prices very reasonable; state wants: Ramsden, 11 Josephine-avenue, Brixton.

LADY MURIEL DIGHY can spare few 1913 and 1914 Norwich cocks, from 5/-; lovely songsters: Chalmington, Dorchester, Dorset. (1826)

NOTICE. Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

PANDSOME pair of young Norwich Canaries, moulted and coloured, 7/6; make good stock birds: Isherwood, Leadmills, Mold. (1823)

GOOD Norwich cocks from 7/6; hens, 3/-; seen any time; husband called up for service: Mrs. Staines, 47, Leighton-rd., Kentish Town, N.W. (1812)

1913 clubby variegated buff cock, short, nice head, good feather, Hodder's strain, £2; approval: E. Blake, 24, Forest-rd., Chestnut, Herts. (1825)

WANTED, good unlighted yellow cock, winner; exchange Pekings dog, or sell 5 guineas; mutual approval: Miles, Aviarics, Cliechester. (1828)

SIX pairs beautiful Norwich Canaries, inspection invited by appointment; 36/-, or would separate: Hobbs, 21, Ashburnham-rd., Greenwich. (1824)

CLEAR yellow cock, 3rd Headless Cross, 15/-; buff hen, 6/6; ticked yellow cock, 8/6; approval, deposit: Thomas Herbert, 35, South-st., Redditch. (1825)

FOR sale, 12 pairs large Norwich, nearly all unlighted, or will sell some that can win; satisfaction guaranteed: Lingard, 29, Marlboro'-st., Bury. (1829)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich; Davies, Hodder, Nardsy, Baker strains; splendid stock pairs from 15/-; cocks from 10/6; approval: Burgess, Eastover, Bridge-water. (1826)

LARGE buffs and varieg. Norwich 1914 cocks, 7/6 each, 10/6 a pair, Roberts' strain; 3 pairs of 1913, same price; deposit: Wheeler, Griffin's Wood, Epping, Essex. (1829)

GRAND clear buff Norwich-stock bird, slightly deficient claw, clear yellow hen to match, 17/6 the pair, worth £3; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1829)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large, grand type, good heads, best strain in England, several winners, 35 years' breeder, cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

FIVE good Norwich cocks, 6/6 each; nine hens, 3/- each; two good Crested cocks, 10/6 and 12/6; one Crested hen, 6/6; all healthy 1913 birds: Walton, 37, Aylestone-st., Leicester. (1825)

WINNERS, owing to business, am compelled to sell all my show and stock birds, from 5/- to £3 each; first orders get them: Andrew, North-rd., Aviarics, Whitmoor, St. Austell, Cornwall. (1824)

GOOD Norwich for sale, col.-fed, and guaranteed, 10/- to 30/- pair, on deposit; seen any time; would exchange Norwich show cages: Blythe, Park-avenue, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (1822)

MATCHED pair winning Norwich for sale; heavy variegated buff cock and clear yellow hen; coloured and in show condition, 1913 birds, £1; approval, deposit: Hardie, 95, Gilmore-pl., Edinburgh. (1826)

YOU won't beat these at the price; three good unlighted buff Norwich cocks, colour fed, 5/- each; two smaller cocks, 4/-; buff hens, 3/9 couple; approval, deposit: Dickens, 34, Vernon-st., Northampton. (1825)

MY birds won last year at Plymouth, Exmouth, Wiveliscombe, Barnstaple, Sidmouth, Taunton and both Exeter shows, including 2 cups, 5 specials; few for sale; state wants: Rowley, Briars, Alpington, near Exeter, Devon. (1825)

LARGE 1913 yellow cock, plenty substance, winner several prizes, £1; another yellow, brother, 15/-; large stout unlighted buff cock, bred from my rose bowl winner, rare type, 17/6, bargain: B. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (1825)

MARTIN Cook's strain, champion Norwich winning 260 shows, offers exhibition, also grand stock birds, including clear Buff cock, 25/-; variegated ditto, 20/-; clear yellow cock, 25/-; marked yellow, 15/-; actual winners, 30/- upwards; songsters, 6/6 upwards; approval, deposit: 30, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth, W. (1823)

CHANCE seldom offered, winning yellow hen, third Norwich Plainhead Club Show at Burnley last year, 60/-, can win cost; also two sisters to above, 50/- each; all clear yellows, and in the pink of condition; two unlighted yellow hens, same strain, 15/- each; approval; inspection invited: James Barnes, 30, Factory Row, Whalley, near Blackburn. (1825)

JUST 30 Norwich left; winners, and bred from same; yellows, buffs and marked cocks and hens; grand healthy stock and very typical birds; prices from 5/-; state your wants; any bird I will willingly sell at half its value; breeding cages and show cases and accessories of my bird-room, your own prices: Taylor, Draper, Bideford. (1825)

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BARGAIN, six pairs of Andreasberg Rollers, cocks on full song, must sell, lot £2: Ralph Seaman, New Brighton, near Mold. (1827)

FOR sale, young songster Canaries, guaranteed cocks and on full song, 4/-, 4/6: Arthur Munks, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (1812)

GRAND Glucke Roller cock, value 15/-; exchange Hartz cock Schoolmaster; offers: Willis, 13, Lower Bailey-st., Wattstown, Glam. (1825)

THREE Roller Schoolmasters (trainer), bargain, 7/6 each, or exchange (giving up Rollers): 12, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1827)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

1913 RANDALL'S schoolmaster, B.R.C.C. rung, over moult, nearly in full song, 10/6, bargain; Bosworth, 265, Alcester-rd., Kings Heath, Birmingham. (1823)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, cocks from 7/6, hens 2/6, B.R.C.C. rung, 1914; schoolmasters from 15/-; approval: Mawhood, 26, Walton-lane, Nelson, Lancs. (1810)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1812)

A FEW young Seifert Roller cocks and hens for sale, 1914 bred, cocks 6/-, hens 2/-; 7 days' approval on receipt of P.O.: Dunkerley, 92, Prospect-rd., Scarborough. (1824)

NOTICE, beautiful singing cock Canary, in full song, with handsome solid brass drawing-room cage, cost 12/6, sacrifice 10/- lot; approval with pleasure: Wilkshire, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham.

TO be sold, all my stock Seifert Rollers and singing cages, comprising 28 cocks, on song, and 14 hens; cocks 7/- each, with cage; will accept, 26/- for lot hens: Jackson, 1, Hereford-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1822)

HIGH-CLASS St. Andreasburgs, selected young cocks, trained by winning schoolmasters, 6/6, 8/6, winners, 3rd, 10/6; two seconds, 15/-; 1912 hen, hred 4 winners, 3/6: Jackson, 37, Canal-st., Congleton. (1824)

INTERNATIONAL Glucke strain cocks advertised, all sold, can spare good 1913 schoolmaster, topper, 25/-; also 1914 cocks, 7/6 each; hens, 3/-; exchange gent's boots, lady's raincoat: Taylor, 71, Thrusbury-rd., Burnley. (1824)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer, of high-class Rollers, offer grand young cocks, singing grand 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; extra deep toned cocks, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, 2/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1822)

SEIFERT Roller Canaries, cold-room bred, and cocks (1913), 7/6 each; 12 hens (1913), 3/- each; also 36 young birds (1914), all got over moult; cocks, 6/6; hens, 2/6: C. E. Harrop, 188, Lee-lane, Horwich, near Bolton. (1824)

TO ALL WHO DON'T KNOW what Hartz Mountain Rollers really are, and wish to learn, I invite such to write me: W. Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

REAL B.R.C.C. ROLLERS

Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of best organs, price 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; proper Roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established fifty years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandiford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Slater-st., Shro' ditch, London.

Scotch Fancies.

SCOTS Fancies, one pair, both winners, cheap: Ward, 178, Main-st., Shettleston. (1820)

PAIR 1914 Scotch Fancies, win anywhere, 12/6 worth 30/-; or exchange: Bert Onions, Upper Rushall-st., Walsall. (1826)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20 guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30 guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, have some striking exhibition and stud birds; reasonable; winners of thousands of prizes at leading shows; four times special for best in show, Crystal Palace, including Palace 1914: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks.

OGDEN BROS., breeders, exhibitors, and exporters of the best the world has produced: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

A FEW Yorkshires for sale, cheap to clear: Shearer, 82, Moss-st., Keith, N.B. (1819)

EIGHT pairs of good Yorkshire Canaries, £4, what offers: G. White, 2, River-st., Windsor. (1829)

THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks, singing, lot 6/6: 24, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1825)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, pairs from 6/-: Tom Smith, Jackson Bridge, New Mill, near Huddersfield. (1825)

VERY fine buff cock, 1914, fit to win novice class, 8/6; deposit, approval: Longhurst, 23, Wilmot-rd., Leyton. (1824)

YORKSHIRES for sale, cheap, the whole of my stock, including all winners: Crisp, 50, Elm Park-rd., Chelsea. (1825)

YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, coloured Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arborcum-rd., Worcester.

A FEW good Yorkshire show birds for sale, cocks from 7/6; hens from 5/-: Boardman, 11, Hillkirk-st., Beswick. (1825)

YORKSHIRE Greens, fine quality, cocks 5/6, hens 2/6, pairs 7/-: H. Johnson, 6/99, Grosvenor-st. West, Birmingham. (1821)

A FEW good Yorks., bred from reserve for cup at Newark, cocks 7/6, 10/6 each: Staniland, Colingham, Newark. (1825)

BUFF Yorkshire cock, winner 1st, 2nd, 15/-; two pairs, Mr. Binn's strain, 15/- pair: G. Rumsey, St. Dunstan's-rd., Worthing. (1829)

EXCHANGE high-class prize Yorkshires for hanging shop lamp or weighing balance, 120lb.: James Thomas, Bingle, Cornwall. (1824)

GIVING up all my winners for sale, from 25/- pair; few odd birds at 10/- each; approval: Humphries, Ash Cottage, Bacup, Lancs. (1821)

TWO good pairs Yorkshires, 15/- pair; 1 green, 1 marked; approval, deposit: J. Taylor, Springfield Farm, Westcott-st., Dorking. (1826)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1826)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed cocks, 5/6, hens 2/6, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 802, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1817)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

REDUCING stock; 60 long, typical Yorkshires, colour-fed, stock or show, bargains; call Saturday, Sunday: 35, Alma-rd., Wandsworth. (1825)

APPROVAL, deposit; singing Yorkshire cocks, feathered like silk, 5/6 to 20/-; hens, 2/6 to 7/6: Oford, 14, Martha-st., Portsmouth. (1821)

LOVELY pair of Yorkshire Canaries, take 8/-, worth double: Goldfinch cock Mule, singing, 5/-: Collins, Brookside, Woodgreen, Wednesbury. (1828)

TWO young clear yellow cocks, can win in good company, 12/6 each, worth 30/-; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1815)

YORKSHIRES, bred from winners, many fit to show; cocks from 6/- each, pairs 8/6: Mullin, 25, Musgrave-crescent, Fulham, London. (1824)

SIXTY fine Yorkshires, grand show or stock, cold room bred, low prices; seen any time: Breeder, 14, Herbert-rd., Bow's Park, London, N. (1811)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, cocks 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-, 6/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (1824)

GRAND unlighted buff Yorkshire, now in show trim; also yellow, rare quality and carriage, both in the pink of condition, £1 the two; approval with pleasure: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (1829)

HAVING decided to keep only Foreign birds, I have amongst others to sell a grand clear yellow Yorkshire cock, winner four 1sts, £1, including show cage: J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (1824)

CHAMPION winning Yorkshires, cocks, from 7/6, hens from 5/-; a few that can win at small shows, at 10/6, 15/-, 20/- each; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1823)

EASY payment.—Send for terms and illustrated price list, post free, of my Yorkshires, Norwich, Crests, etc., either for show, stock, or songsters; seven days' approval: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1811)

CHAMPION Yorks., prize Yorks. cocks, in full song, 5/6; grand racy hens, feathered like silk, 3/-; matched pairs, 7/6 upwards; colour-fed, 6 days' approval, cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1829)

L. DRYES, breeder, exhibitor, and exporter. Winner of more first prizes for years than any other exhibitors of Yorkshires. Show and stock birds for sale, prices reasonable. See reports all leading shows; inspection invited: 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1824)

RADLEY'S winning Yorkshires, show or stock birds, bred from my noted winning strain, cocks 7/6 upwards; hens, 6/- upwards; approval, deposit; satisfaction guaranteed; see show reports Yorkshire Union shows: Allen Radley, 205, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1829)

H. S. GOODMAN has for disposal ticked yellow cock, 12/6; buff hen, 8/6; clear yellow cock, 6/ins., £1; buff hen, 12/6, all 1914 birds; also several others; state requirements; all bred from the best blood in the Fancy; seen by appointment only: approval, deposit: 122, Headstone-rd., Harrow, Middlesex. (1822)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, 1914 yellow cock, 20/-; buff hen, 25/-; yellow ticked cock, 20/-; uneven marked buff hen, 15/-; buff cock, 17/6; 1913 yellow cock, 25/-; buff cock, 25/-; all fit for exhibition; few cocks, 7/6 upwards; large stock hens, 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1824)

PURE YORKSHIRES

Crystal Palace first prize strain, guaranteed; some lovely specimens, clear moulted cocks, yellows or buffs, from 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/- each; hens, yellows or buffs, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each; any on approval; I guarantee to please you, as soon as you see them. Cages, 2/- each. Breeder 30 years: Sandiford, Canary Specialist, Preston; also 89, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Show & Stock



Yorkshires now ready, and all through the moult, and in first class condition. Smart, lengthy, typical cocks, on song, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 each; extra good large hens, at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, in clears, ticked, green marked, and cinnamon marked; matched pairs for producing winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair, colour-fed or natural colour, and all cold-room kept; exhibition specimens in cocks and hens that can win at members' or small shows, at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; also some that can win in the keenest open competition at very reasonable prices; inspection invited any time without appointment; illustrated price list post free; travelling cages, 3d. extra; all birds on 7 days' approval at my risk to any party; only and old address:

J. TAYLOR, 36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Typical birds, standard length, all on full song, 7/6; sure winners, 10/6; hens, 5/6 each; ten days' approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewbury, Yorkshirc. (1824)

THE BARGAINS OF A LIFETIME

Long, slim Yorkshire cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; three hens, 5/6 lot; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, upwards; approval; cages, 3d.; detailed list free: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Various Canaries.

WANTED to purchase for prompt cash, all kinds of Canaries: Harris, High-st., Yiewsley. (1826)

SOME good young cock Canaries for sale, 5/6, 6/6; hens, 1/6: G. Jacklin, 5, Alfred-st., Great Grimsby. (1826)

C.F. NORWICH size and quality clear buff cock, ticked yellow cock, 10/6 each; approval, cash or deposit: Coulthard, Station Hill, Wlghton, Cumberland.

WINNERS for disposal—best Norwich and Yorkshire blood obtainable; also show cages and cases; no reasonable offer refused: Burrowes, 43, Camden-st., Walsall. (1824)

FOR sale, good bred Yorkshire and Norwich cocks from 9/- to 14/-; hens to match from 4/- to 6/-; all birds sent on approval: Manfred Ley, 17, Waun Goch, Nantymoel, Glam. (1826)

NORWICH, three large healthy 1914 cocks, 2/6 each; 2 rich cl. yell., 1 var., 3 smart 1914 hens, 2/6 each; one 1913 hen, 2/-; 2 Roller cocks, good singing strain, 1914, 6/- each; 2 hens, one 1914, one 1913, 2/6 each; lot £2: 31, Heskey-st., Nottingham. (1821)

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

SCALE OF CHARGES, which must be fully PREPAID.
1/4-inch 2/-, 1/2-inch 3/-, 1 inch 6/-
For Full Tariff See Last Week's Issue.

LLANDUDNO

NOVEMBER 7th.

Seventh Annual Show (confined to Welsh Northern Counties). Judge of Cage Bird Section, Mr. A. G. Davies, Manchester. Ten Classes. Prizes, 6/-, 3/-, 1/6. Fee 1/-. Special to each class, and Cup for best bird in show. Entries close October 28th, to: C. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.

KIRKBURTON

October 31st.

Entries close Oct. 27th. See last week's issue for classification.—A. Scott, Hon. Sec., Kirkburton.

MUIRKIRK SHOW

will be held on Saturday, October 31st. Fanciers assist patriotism. Proceeds for War Relief Fund. 9 Open Border Classes. 4 Open British Bird Classes. Judge, Mr. Hugh Geddes, Dumfries. Schedules from Sec.: James G. Torbett, Smallburn, Muirkirk.

EAST LOTHIAN C.B.S.

Open Show, October 31, in Glasgow, Paisley. Corn Exchange, Haddington. Classes: Scotch Fancy 9 (Judge, A. Livingston, Paisley), Bord. 10, Brit. 9 (Judge, J. Patterson, Chirnside), Nor. 14, For. 3 (Judge, J. Winter, Edinburgh). Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entries close Oct. 27. Schedules from J. Fairgrieve, Sec., 10, Hope Park, Haddington.

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND

Twenty-fifth Annual Club Show, in Good Templars' Hall, 129, Ingram Street, Glasgow, on Saturday, Oct. 31, 1914. Judges: Messrs. Wm. Grewar, G. Hishop, and Wm. Loan. 18 Open Classes. Prize Money on sliding scale. Entry 1/-. Entries close Tuesday, Oct. 27, 1914. Schedules from: A. K. Chalmers, 39, Gausyside Street, Paisley.

LARKNALL

C.B.A. Members' Show, Oct. 31, Y.M.C.A. Halls. 30 confined classes, 1 open for Boys and Girls under 14, for best decorated cage; entry 3d., prizes 5/-, 2/6, 1/3. Model prize cards free. Judges, W. G. Muir and P. McQuiston.—A. Thomson, Sec., 1, Croft Place.

L. & P. O. S.

Show of Canaries, Mules, British, and Foreign Birds, will be held at Lambeth Baths, Kennington Road, On Wednesday, 28th from 3 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. and on Thursday, 29th from 10 a.m. to 7.30 p.m.

Tube, Tram, and Bus from all parts of London. Admission 6d.

In Aid of the Relief Funds. MANCHESTER And N.C.O.S.' SHOW OCTOBER 31st.

CO-OPERATIVE HALL, Downing Street. Judges: Messrs. House, Swallow, and Houlton. Others will be engaged if necessary. Patronage of most specialist clubs. Specials in every section. Entries close October 24th. If not already received schedule, send to day to: F. Hayward, 21, Marlboro' Avenue, Manley Park, Manchester.

FORFAR

A chance for exhibitors. Fifth Annual Show will be held in Masonic Hall, on SATURDAY, OCT. 31st, 1914. Judges: Messrs. A. Chalmers, J. Auld, and G. Marlin. Cups and Medals. Schedules from: Kerr and Robertson, Secs., 15, Green Street.

The Palace of the North BRECHIN

Cage Bird Society's Annual Show, Temperance Hall, Brechin, NOVEMBER 7th, 1914. 50 Specials, Cups, and Medals—ALL OPEN. Good Prize Money. Splendid Classification. Judges: Norwich, Edward Barron, Glasgow; Borders, James Hamilton, Esk Bank; British and Foreign, Crossley Sykes, Musselburgh. Fanciers, rally round Brechin. Schedules now ready.—John Crobb, Sec., 120, McIntosh St., Brechin.

NEW CROSS C.B.S. BRIGHTON

Annual Show, Thursday, Oct. 29th, 1914, People's Hall, Tanners Hill, Deptford, S.E. Open 2 till 10. Admission 3d. The nicest little show in London. F. and F.A. Annual Show (open to Sussex), Nov. 4th and 6th. Now then, fanciers, here's a chance for you to show a few birds. The only open show in Sussex. Prize Money, 8/-, 4/-, 2/- Special for every class. Entries extended Oct. 31st. Entry fee 1/6. Judge, T. J. Ambrose. Schedules from W. J. Donne, Hon. Sec., 7, Chatham Place, Brighton.

AVONBRIDGE O.S. LEICESTER

11th Open Show, Nov. 14th. Classes: Nor. 8, Bord. 19 (Judge, Mr. C. Hislop, Stirling). Mules and Hyb. 5. British 17, For. 2 (Judge, Mr. T. Bell, Boness). Entry Money, 1/6. Prize Money, 9/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entries close Nov. 7th. Schedules from P. Gentleman, Sec., Cowan's Buildings, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire. Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. 15th Annual Open Show, FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th and 7th. Judges: J. Tregrove and H. J. Chick. Schedules: A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.

SHEFFIELD O.S. November 7th, 1914

in Forrester's Hall. Open to members of the Sheffield C.B., Walkley C.B., Attercliffe C.B., Stocksbridge C.B., Rotherham C.B., and members S.O.S. Entries close Nov. 3rd. Schedules, E. C. Job, Wincobank. All profits Local Relief Fund.

EDINBURGH

and Edinburgh Western O.S. Joint Show. Scotland's largest show of young birds, in Grindlay Street Hall, on Sat., Oct. 31st. Doors open at 1 p.m. Admission 6d.—A. Weston and C. Grant, Joint Secs.

MIDLAND ROLLER

Sixth Annual Open Contest, Nov. 5th and 6th. Good Prize Money and Valuable Specials. Schedules now ready.—T. J. Smith, 10, Hall St., Wolverhampton. (1822)

NORTHAMPTON

Annual Show, November 4th and 5th. Schedules ready. Exhibits sent off in time for Leicester.—Woodman and Fisher, 18, William St., Northampton.

READING C.B.S.

Annual Open Show, Palmer Hall, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1914. Judge: J. Robson, Esq. Open Classes: 5 Norwich, 5 Yorkshire, 1 A.O. Canary, 2 British, 1 Mule or Hybrid, 2 Selling, 4 Foreign. 1d. on every entry to Prince of Wales Fund. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, with 2/6 Cash Specials. Entry fee 1/6. Schedules and particulars from Sec., O. C. Smith, 73, Audley Street, Reading.

OLD SHILDON Workmen's Club C.B.S.

Open Show, Nov. 13 and 14. Schedules now ready. Apply: J. Ainsworth, 15, Vaughan St., Shildon.

A few good birds at reasonable prices on show in selling classes at L. and P.O.S. Show, Lambeth Baths, next Wednesday and Thursday.—J. W. Ramsden, Brixton. (Advt.) Mr. J. Ainsworth, the new hon. sec. of Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S., writes that schedules for the open show, to be held Nov. 13, 14, are now ready, and a copy will be sent on application. Mr. Ainsworth's address is 13, Vaughan-st., Shildon.

Please state in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, that owing to the War all meetings of the Southend and Dist. C.B.S. will be held at Mr. Cundy's house, 5, Priory Avenue, Prittlewell, until further notice; as our headquarters close at 9 o'clock.—G. Deer and F. Cundy, hon. secs.

Bird lovers in the London district should not forget the London and Provincial O.S. Show next Wed. and Thurs. in the Lambeth Baths, Kennington Rd., S.E. The hall is readily accessible by bus and tram, and there will be a pleasing display of high quality birds.

In connection with the Purley Literary Society, writes Mr. E. C. Last, a lecture is to be given by Mr. A. Silver, F.Z.S., in the Lecture Hall, High Street, Purley, on Tuesday next, Oct. 27. It will be illustrated by some 30 odd lantern slides, entitled "Birds with Character," and is quite free. Any fanciers will be welcomed.

A Prominent Fancier Volunteers. Mr. Geo. Oglethorpe, chairman of the Cockermouth Society, has volunteered for service in the 5th Batt. Border Regt. His two sons and his brother are also in the forces. It is hoped by the local fanciers that Mr. Oglethorpe's services will be available on the day of the show, Nov. 28.

Room for More. Respecting my offer to take in birds (note announcement on this page—Editor) it is most kind of you to help me, writes the Hon. Mrs. Bourke. Birds are coming in, a few, but I have room for lots more, and hope to be of some use to those who are forced to go away from home, but who do not want to disperse their birds.

Deserving Manchester. For the one-day show on Oct. 31st, the Manchester and N.C.O.S. puts a grand classification (88 classes) before fanciers, and we trust this will meet with the generous support it so clearly deserves. All sections are well catered for, and there are 6 special amateur classes in both Yorks. and Nor. The prize-money is liberal, and three good judges officiate, while extra judges will be engaged if the entry warrants. Make your entries at once to Mr. F. Hayward, 21, Marlborough Avenue, Manley Park, Manchester.

WONDERFUL SUCCESS OF SHOWS CONTINUES

Liverpool puts up a Great Record, and Skelmanthorpe has More Birds than Ever Before.

It is extremely gratifying to be able to record the fact that those shows which have been courageous enough to boldly face the situation arising-out of the deplorable war crisis continue to be magnificently supported by exhibitors. At Skelmanthorpe (the 3rd Yorkshire Union Show of the season) the society had more birds staged than ever before in its history. To-day, just as we go to press, comes the following cheerful telegram from the officials of Liverpool Show:—
Our Record Broken. We have 1,250 entries. Norwich and British sections wonderful. Our sincere thanks to all who have stood by us.—Metcalfe and Green, show managers, Liverpool O.S.
Keep up the good work, exhibitors. Remember that the societies are doing their best under circumstances of unusual difficulty to help fanciers and the Fancy. Do your part by sending them entries.

Mr. Thos. Holt, Rochdale, asks us to notify that he has removed from Osborne Street to 11, Sharrocks, Newbold Street.

Additional societies to cancel their 1914 shows are: Dunfermline and W. of Scotland O.S., Gateshead C.B.S.

Members of the Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S., writes Mr. J. W. Reed, Sec., should note that there will be another special meeting at Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, on Oct. 29, for final selection of judges and to receive overdue subs.

All prize money to non-members at our recent show, writes Mr. T. J. Hose, Hon. Sec., Clapham C.B.A., has been paid, and we desire to thank all fanciers who, by sending their birds and attending the show, helped to make our venture such a grand success, our only regret being that we were unable to hold our usual annual two day show.

We hear that owing to a severe accident to Mr. Capell, Messrs. Hudd and Robert have undertaken to carry out the arrangements for the 5th annual members' show, at Public Hall, George Street, Croydon, Nov. 4. All communications should be addressed to them at 41, Rymer Road, Croydon. Every effort is being made to obtain a record entry and attendance, and it is to be hoped this object will be achieved, as part proceeds from sale of tickets will be devoted to War Fund.

At our next meeting, on Tuesday, Oct. 27, at headquarters, Textile Dining Room, Shaw Road, writes Mr. J. Cope, sec. Oldham C.B.A., we shall be pleased to see all fanciers as it is time we had a proper meeting. Seeing that our show is so near at hand we are desirous that all fanciers will put their shoulder to the wheel and try to make it a success. Schedules will be ready for next meeting.

Mr. Tyson, having accepted the position of show manager, and Mr. Dewhurst having undertaken the staging of the exhibits, they have decided to relinquish their appointments to judge at the Royal Horticultural Hall Show. Mr. J. Robson has been appointed in place of Mr. Tyson, and Mr. A. Silver will take Mr. Dewhurst's classes.

I have decided to accept entries for the L. and P.O.S. show on Oct. 28 and 29, up to last post on Saturday (24th) writes Mr. C. W. Law. As copy for catalogue will be in printer's hands first post on Monday morning, all entries received on Monday will be returned. Entries coming in well; expect very big show. All visitors may obtain luncheons and teas, at reasonable prices, and in a private room (on mentioning bird show) at "The Hercules Hotel," opposite Westminster Bridge Tube Station, about three minutes' walk from Lambeth Baths.

FOR BIRD-KEEPERS JOINING THE COLOURS.

Generous Offer by a Well-known Lady Bird-lover.

A lady offers a temporary home for the pet bird or birds of men called away owing to the War. The birds will be fed and looked after free of charge by skilled fanciers until the end of the War. Any kinds will be taken in (Parrot tribe only excepted), insectivorous and fruit-eating British or foreign species having preference, though there will be room for seed-eaters and a certain number of Canaries as well.
A formal receipt will be given in exchange for each bird left or sent, which will have its owner's name and address attached to its cage, and the birds will be given up on production of the receipt at any time.
Anyone intending to forward birds to be looked after is requested to send a postcard, stating kind of bird or birds it is proposed to send, and whether they have been kept in a cold or a warm room; and immediately they receive an answer to say there is still accommodation available, the birds can be sent or brought to the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, 75, Gloucester Place, Portman Square, London, W.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Manchester and Northern Counties' O.S.—Co-operative Hall, Downing St., Oct. 31. Judges, Messrs. House, Swallow, and Houlton. 88 open classes: Lanes. 6, Liz. 6, Yorks. open 8, Yorks. amat. 6, Crests (4 Yorks, 4 Nor.), Nor. open 9, Nor. amat. 6, Crests 2, C.B. 2, Chm. Nor. 4, Bord. 10 (4 Gr., 1 Cinu), A.O.V. 1, Sell 3, Mules 5, Brit. 8, For. 4, Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Oct. 24, to F. Hayward, 21, Marlborough-avenue, Manley Park, Manchester.
Glasgow C.B.A.—Union Hall, W. Nile-st., Nov. 20. Judges, Messrs. Sloan, Chalmers, Hyslop, Heggie, Raine, and Gentleman. 75 classes: Nor. 20, Crest 5, Bord. 10, Yorks. 10, Mules 7, Brit. and For. 22. Prizes, 12s., 8s., 5s., 3s., 2s. Fee, 2s. Ent. close Nov. 16, to W. Hutchinson, 163, Hospital-st., Glasgow.
Alfreton (Derbyshire) Red Lion Inn. Oct. 31. Judge, A. Wilson. 35 open classes: Nor. 14 (2 Sell.), Yorks. 13 (1 Sell.), Crest 3, Brit. 2, Mules 1, For. 1, Gift 1. Prizes on sliding scale. Fee 1s. Ent. close Oct. 28, to G. Beardall, Main-rd., Shirland, nr. Alfreton.
Avonbridge (Stirlingshire).—Avonbridge Hall, Nov. 14. Judges, C. Hislop, T. Bell. 51 classes: Nor. 8, Bord. 19, Mules 5, Brit. 17, For. 2. Prizes, 9s., 5s., 2s., 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 7, to P. Gentleman, Cowan's Buildings, Avonbridge.

POSTERS

Prize Cards, Cage Slips, Badges, Judges' Books, cheapest and best. Read what the secretary of Wigan Cage Bird Society says: "Dear Sir, Glad to say our members are simply delighted with the posters and prize cards. They say they are the best and cheapest they have ever had.—Yours, etc., E. Ball." Send for samples and prices.—The Manager, Printing Dept., "Cage Birds," 25A, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Twitterings.

Mr. H. Jackson, sec., writes that the Gainsboro' and Dis. C.B.S. will give the proceeds of the annual show to the Belgian Relief Fund. At a meeting of the Middleton C.B.S., Oct. 12, writes Mr. Jas. Hutton, Sec., it was decided to ask Mr. Wm. Hardy, of Oldham, to judge our Backend show, Dec. 5. We have fixed our annual members' show, with an open Linnets class included, for Nov. 28 and 29, writes Mr. R. Charleson, sec. Leigh C.B.S. Mr. Chas. Houlton, St. Helen's, judge. Schedules for the show of the Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. Show, Nov. 6-7, have been sent out. Anyone overlooked should apply to the sec., A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.

OBITUARY.

MR. J. CROWTHER (Halifax).
It is with regret, writes Mr. A. Sutcliffe, Sec. Halifax C.B.S., that I report the death of one of our members, Mr. Joe Crowther, of New Pelton, Halifax, at the age of 55, which took place very suddenly on Oct. 14. He was taken home from his work and died within an hour. He was interred on Oct. 17 at Mount Tabor. Mr. Crowther was very highly respected by all, and his loss will be felt by all our members. To Mrs. Crowther and family every member will, I am sure, extend deepest sympathy in their sad bereavement.

The Bowling and Dis. B.F.A. will hold its first old bird show on Oct. 24, at the Napoleon Hotel, Wakefield-road, judge, Mr. C. E. Walker. Birds staged at 3, writes Mr. Joseph Nicholl, Sec.

There are more people writing me for schedules than I can reply to, writes Mr. Thomson, Sec., Larkhall C.B.A. The show is confined to members only, except for the one open class mentioned in the advt. in this issue.

Easy Money From Mealworm Breeding.

Another Profitable German "Side-line" We Ought to Annex.

LAST week we expressed the opinion that the present season would turn out to be an excellent one for British bird breeders, as, owing to the dislocation of German trade, there would be a vastly increased demand for English song-birds (especially Canaries) to supply the American markets.

We see no reason why this should not be permanent, for the average English Canary is a very much more taking bird than the average German Canary—larger, more pleasing in colour, and with a song that does not tend to monotony, like the artificial trills of the cheap German songster. Our view is that once the English singing Canaries get well-known abroad, they must on their merits more than hold their own.

Always out for Money.

It must be candidly admitted that in more ways than one British fanciers have allowed the Germans to get ahead. It would, perhaps, be fairer to say "keep" ahead, for that they always have been ahead in Fancy matters—particularly so as regards fostering and encouraging the Fancy as a profitable industrial "side-line"—cannot be questioned. The German peoples have ever been great bird fanciers and breeders, and they have brought the art of keeping and breeding birds to a high pitch of perfection. We would emphasise, too, that they have developed the money-making (i.e., trade) side of the

hobby to an extent which fanciers on this side of the North Sea do not fully appreciate.

As an instance, we have the fact that the live ants' "eggs," which the majority of our dealers sell during the summer come to us from Germany; the same with large quantities of our dried ants' eggs. It is safe to assume that we pay over a nice little profit out of our pockets for these indispensable items.

The Case of the Mealworm.

A much more extraordinary example, however, is supplied by the manner in which Germany dominates our supply of mealworms. The importance of these larvae to bird-keepers needs no pointing out by us; that they materially affect other branches of live-stock keeping, too, is made clear by the remarks of Mr. D. Seth-Smith, F.Z.S., M.B.O.U. (a curator of the London Zoological Gardens), which, at the conclusion of our own observations, we have printed as they appeared in our contemporary, "The Field."

The business in mealworms is to our knowledge a considerable one. Yet we leave it in German hands practically in its entirety. The result at the moment is just what might be anticipated—a "famine" in mealworms. Dealers cannot get them; consequently fanciers cannot get them.

We are receiving many letters from bird-keepers, asking where mealworms are to be bought. We cannot give any certain

reply; frankly, we do not know. If anyone who reads this has any quantity of mealworms for sale, we advise advertising them; a remunerative price is to be obtained. We heard recently of 12s. being paid for one pound; normally the price is 4s. 6d. to 5s. 6d.!

We will return to this subject next week.

Mr. D. Seth-Smith's Views.

One of the most useful articles of food in a collection of insectivorous mammals, birds and reptiles, is the small grub known as the mealworm, which is about an inch in length, with shiny yellowish skin. It is the larva of a small blackish-brown beetle known to entomologists as *Tenebrio molitor*. It occurs wherever meal of any kind is allowed to lie undisturbed for a length of time.

The flying beetle appears and lays its eggs amongst the meal, and from these hatch minute larvae which feed upon the meal, be it oatmeal, barley-meal, wheat-meal, or even biscuits. In a cool temperature they grow slowly, but warmth appears to accelerate growth considerably. When full grown they change into pupae, which in turn emerge into beetles.

A Luxury Not to be Resisted.

This little beetle in its larval state forms, as is well known, useful food for almost any animal that is naturally insectivorous. It is a luxury that cannot be resisted even by such creatures as monkeys, while for the insectivorous birds and reptiles it forms a food that the shyest feeders will readily take. Hence the amount of mealworms that are annually consumed in England alone is very large, since the number of those who may be termed "amateur menagerie keepers" is constantly increasing, and considerable quantities are required by public zoological gardens.

One result of the lamentable European war is the complete stoppage of the supply

of mealworms, for it appears that the stock in this country was all "made in Germany." The Germans have long been experts in the production of foods for cage birds, and realising the value of the mealworm, they set to work to cultivate it under artificial conditions, with the result that they established a large and doubtless very lucrative business.

A mealworm farm in Germany, which paid its proprietor very handsomely, has been described to me. It consisted of a number of sheds or barns, artificially warmed, which covered an area of no less than 10 acres. Each barn was furnished with a series of large bins or boxes, in which was placed a quantity of bran and various kinds of meal. This was formed into layers between pieces of sacking and paper.

An All-Year-Round Supply.

A quantity of mealworms was placed in each bin, and these soon went through the pupal stage to that of the mature beetle, which laid numbers of eggs, which in turn produced a large number of mealworms. The worms mature slowly, as stated, some months elapsing, under the most favourable conditions, between the hatching of the worm and its attainment to full size, when it is ready for market.

I am told that the German breeders are able to arrange, by starting the various bins in succession, so that a large supply of the full-fed mealworms is available every week in the year. They sell at about five shillings a pound over here, a price which is considerably below that demanded some few years ago, but one that still leaves a large profit for the producer.

Surely now is the time for some enterprising Englishman to start a mealworm farm. The demand is constant and considerable, and the profits should be large.

Correspondence.

"Lights Out" in London.

A Suggestion to Show Officials.

SIR,—I am glad to see that the Horticultural Hall Show is to be held as usual. I should like to make one suggestion to the authorities, namely, that they close the show not later than 8 o'clock on the last day, so that the exhibitors may be able to remove their birds at a reasonable hour. I notice that the L. and P.O.S. close their show at 7.30 p.m. on the last day. With the "Lights Out" order in force, and London practically in darkness after 10 o'clock, I think it is to the interests of all concerned that the show be closed by that hour. I am sure that an announcement of early closing will result in an increased entry.

Splendid Help from Liverpool.

SIR,—At our meeting held Oct. 7 we decided to help your scheme (Canaries to cheer our wounded soldiers in hospital) and six of our members each offered a Canary and cage, and at our next meeting we hope to be able to place a few more at your disposal.

It was our members' wish that these Canaries should be distributed, if possible, at our local hospitals, as we have many wounded soldiers at Fazakerley. Our members only want to contribute through CAGE BIRDS.

EDGAR S. BROADBENT, Hon. Sec.

The North Liverpool and Dis. C.B.S.

[We are deeply indebted to the members of the North Liverpool C.B.S. for their very generous assistance of our scheme, and we shall, of course, endeavour to carry out their wishes respecting the disposal of birds.—Editor "C.B."]

Do Elder Berries Make Birds Drunk?

SIR,—During the present moult I have been giving my birds a fairly free supply of elder berries (especially the Blackbirds, Thrushes, Starlings and Bullfinches), and they both like them and moult out well on them. Therefore I was greatly surprised to read the following in the nature notes of the "Manchester Dispatch." Can any reader offer any opinion as to the truth of the statements, personally I think it a lot of nonsense.

A curious effect of the elderberry upon the Wood Pigeon is recorded by a gamekeeper in Denbigh. In passing through a clearing of a wood he found a couple of Wood Pigeons lying apparently dead under an elder tree.

He picked up the birds and found they were alive, but both suffering from the effects of what he termed "berry poisoning."

This is by no means a new discovery, for the doping of birds by the berries of this

shrub has been recorded on many occasions, Blackbirds and Thrushes being the greatest sufferers.

The berries have been plentiful, and their rich ripe juice is a morsel which very few birds can resist. Over indulgence produces a state of affairs similar to that of alcoholic drinks upon human beings.

Wood Pigeons, especially in districts bordering upon the moorland, eat the berries greedily and pay the penalty by falling easy victims to passers by.

A. T. MORGAN.

What Are the South Country Specialist Clubs Doing?

SIR,—I should like to ask: What are the Southern specialist clubs doing? Have they all abandoned their programmes, patronage to shows, etc.? Personally I have failed to see any notice in the press or received intimation that such is the case. I think, with many others, they should give some encouragement to their members; also support shows and societies who are endeavouring to keep the Fancy going during these depressing times. As a suggestion, why not give money specials to their members supporting these shows, which I am sure would be to our mutual interest, thus encouraging societies to "Business as Usual"? I should like some of your readers to express their views on this question.

E. J. WHITTOME.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL."

Good News for Bucks Fanciers.

SIR,—At the meeting of the High Wycombe and Dis. F.S., last Saturday evening, it was unanimously decided to continue with the business appertaining to our annual show on Dec. 29, open to the County of Bucks and 20 mile air line of Wycombe Town Hall. Our section will have 16 classes, and Mr. Geo. Gardner was elected to place the awards. As this seems practically to be the only show in the country this season we trust members and other exhibitors in the radius, will rally round and give us a bumping entry again.

T. BOWLER.

80, New Street, Aylesbury. Gateshead Will Run a One Day Show.

SIR,—At our meeting, held Oct. 14, we cancelled our annual show, but decided to run a one-day show instead on Dec. 19. We hope to get the support of the Fancy. Our members will reap no benefit, as there will be no members' classes, (we find that we cannot get a hall large enough) so you will see

The Welsh National Cage Bird Society.

SIR,—If you will refer back in your valuable journal (of which I have carefully kept each issue from the first to date) you will find that there is already a Welsh National C.B.S., and successful shows (as shows) were held under that title. Further, I have by me a receipt as loan (unredeemed) value £10, also another somewhere about £2, and though I have been unable to mix with the Fancy for some time, I have yet to learn that the original Welsh National C.B.S. has been disbanded.

HARRY CREEBER.

The Curious Record of a Norwich Hen.

SIR,—It may interest your readers to know that one of my Norwich Canary hens had six nests this year. She laid four eggs in her first nest and hatched out one young one on Monday, April 4. When the young one was two days old the cock bird killed it. She quickly went to nest again, but all the eggs were clear. I thought I would try her once more, but she deserted the eggs about two days before she was due to hatch. Being annoyed, as they were a good pair of birds, I gave the cock bird away as a singer, and I lent the hen to a man who had only one bird, a cock. She quickly went to nest again and hatched four young ones out of four eggs. After that she laid four eggs again, and hatched three young ones. Still she went to nest once again, and laid three eggs! The last nest hatched out on Monday, September 14th, so she reared ten young ones, and she laid 23 eggs. D. R. SAPPWELL.

Paisley to Hold Its Scots Fancy Show.

SIR,—You might oblige by stating that the Paisley and Dist. O.A. Scotch Fancy Show will be held, although cancelled on Oct. 3. The Committee have decided to hold it on Nov. 28. Particulars will appear later in your advertising columns, so Scotch fanciers keep your eye on Paisley.

NEIL O'DONNELL, Sec.

A Show for Mid-Derbyshire.

SIR,—The members of the Alfreton and Dist. C.B.S. have decided to run the show on Oct. 31, as agreed upon, in spite of difficulties. Prize-money will be on the sliding scale, and entry fee 1s. per cage. As this is the only society holding a show in Mid-Derbyshire, we are expecting a good entry. Entries close Oct. 28. Schedules from

G. BEARDALL, Sec.

Main Road, Shirland.

Aberdeen Will Carry on as Usual.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Aberdeen Amalgamated C.B.S. held on Oct. 13, it was decided to cancel the young bird show (Nov. 28) but to carry on the open show as usual, on Dec. 18 and 19, with the judges as formerly selected, viz., Mr. James Smeaton (Musselburgh) and Mr. Wm. Bishop (Stirling). I appeal to fanciers to give us their whole-hearted support, without which we cannot hope to make it a success. After paying all expenses, all money left over from the show will be handed to the Red Cross Society.

W. ALLISON, Sec.

Glasgow's Big November Show.

SIR,—At the meeting of the Glasgow and Dist. C.B.A. on Oct. 13, Mr. J. F. Park presiding over a good attendance, the sec. reported that the military authorities would not guarantee use of Drill-Hall. Various halls had been under consideration in view of this eventuality, and it was decided to hold show this year on Nov. 20 and 21 in the Union Halls, West Nile Street, Glasgow. This hall, though not so large as Drill Hall, is very comfortable, lighted from the top, and is within two or three minutes' walk from Glasgow's principal stations. The classification is on similar lines to last year—20 Nor. classes, 5 Crests, 10 Bord., 10 Yorks., 7 Mule and Hyb., and 22 Brit. and For. The Association has been successful in obtaining the patronage of all the specialist clubs, except the Crest Club. Prize-money as formerly: 30s per class, 2s. entry. The Committee trust and hope that the Fancy in general will second their efforts in their endeavour to keep going "Business as Usual" in these strenuous times.

Wm. HUTCHISON, Sec.

163, Hospital St., Glasgow.

One or two "Business as Usual" letters un avoidably held over until our next issue.—Ed.

that we are running the above for the benefit of fanciers. We decided to put on 44 classes, 7 Nor., 6 Crests, 7 Yorks., 8 Bord., 2 Scotch, 3 Mules, 8 Brit., 3 For., and pay 14s. per class for a 1s. entrance fee.

W. CURRY.

Sec., Gateshead C.B.S.

Bolton Will Provide a Roller Contest.

SIR,—At the monthly meeting of the Bolton Roller C.S. it was decided to change the date of the members' show to Nov. 14 (from Nov. 21) and also to go on with the open contest on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, trying our best to make it a success.

Jos. KILSHAW, Sec.

5, Orm Street, Bolton.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from Overleaf).

A Food Recipe Wanted.

Sir,—Will any reader oblige me with a recipe for a good inexpensive staple food suitable for a Thrush, Blackbird, and Skylark, that will keep for a reasonable length of time?

SONGSTER.

The Rung Bullfinch Caught Near Pickering.

Sir,—I had a cutting from CAGE BIRDS given to me with the report of a Bullfinch having been caught near Pickering wearing an Aberdeen University Bird Migration ring, number 228.M. It may be of interest to the catcher to know that the bird, a young one in the nest, was rung at Thornton Dale on the 5th of June. I should be much obliged if the catcher could furnish me with the following information: Where was the bird caught, and on what date?

It might be of interest to readers of CAGE BIRDS to know that a Lesser Tern, rung at Kilssea, near Hull, in July, was captured in the South of Portugal early in September.

V. G. F. ZIMMERMANN.

Do Parent Birds Poison Their Young?

Sir,—I would like to say in reference to "Do parent birds poison their young?" that I have at this moment a young Blackbird which was caught just as he "fell" out of the nest for the first time, and put in a large box cage and hung up in the wood, when the old birds reared him (not poisoned him). Now he has nearly finished molting and is turning out to be a fine cock. The reason the young ones die is that those who cage them forget that young birds of all species start to pick about the floor of the cage at a very early stage. If they cannot find anything else they will pick up their own droppings. Put food and water in to them when they are very young, change that food and water at least every day, and no one will have the slightest trouble in getting reared almost any British bird which is kept in a cage.

E. J. SOUTHWOOD.

Going Light and its Cure.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Robson. I do not claim the following treatment to be the "one and only way" of combating "going light," and I may add "wheezing," but since I adopted my present system of feeding, those two scourges of some bird rooms have left mine severely alone. After various experiments, the details of which I need not trouble to relate, I feed as follows: I use a seed mixture which is supposed to contain 15 varieties. But I should advise anyone who adopts this treatment, to adhere to, at least for a commencement, the seed they are in the habit of using. Scraps of bread I rebake and put through a coarse mill, and to each quart of crumbs add two table spoons of cod liver oil. Mix thoroughly and store in a glass or earthenware vessel. Take equal measures of seed and crumbs (as prepared), mix well, and stand for 7 or 8 days if not required for immediate use. Place sufficient of the mixture for one feed in a clean vessel, add sufficient milk to just cover the mixture; stand for 24 hours and feed ad lib. I give my birds (Canaries) dry canary seed, but they eat very little of it. Whether this food would suit "tip-top" show birds I am not in a position to state. However, where health and vivacity are paramount I have no hesitation in recommending it.

STEPHEN C. RHODES.

Sir,—If Mr. G. Robson writes us we will give him some information that will lead to curing his birds when going light.

POWELL & HAIGH.

Lowerhouses, Huddersfield.

Bradford National Date Altered.

Details of the Classification.

Sir,—The Committee of the Bradford National Charity Show have decided to stick to Britain's motto, "Business as Usual," and run their show, realising that the need at the present time is even greater than in former years. Seeing that all the proceeds of our show go to alleviate the suffering of poor and destitute children, and in some measure provide for their needs, we are hopeful that the combined efforts of the many may benefit the few. Manningham and Bradford West Societies having relinquished their show, it has been arranged to take their date, Nov. 21, and their judges, and have a one day show this year. The revised classification is as follows:—Open Yorks. 20 classes, including two stock bird classes; 4 Yorkshire Green, under the patronage of the Green C.A.; 4 open novice Yorks., 12 novice, confined to members of the Yorkshire Union (10 Yorks and 2 Nor.); 5 British birds and

Hybrids; and 3 selling. Full prize-money to be paid—10s., 6s., 4s., and 2s.—also a splendid list of specials, including silver cup for best Yorks. in show, and a special, value £1 1s., for most points gained by an exhibitor outside Yorkshire. Judges: Open Yorks. and Yorks. Greens, Messrs. P. Mason and H. Sutcliffe; Mr. R. Halliday, open novice and selling, and Mr. W. Mundell, Y.U., novice and British and Hybrids. I hope that this first class Yorkshire classification will meet the wishes of exhibitors, and that the show may greatly benefit this very worthy object.

SAM MINGLEY, Hon. Sec.

The Bright Future of Our Hobby.

A Few Hints About Shows.
Sir,—I heartily agree with your remarks under this heading. There is yet plenty of time for those societies that have had to cancel their open shows to hold a show confined to their district. In order to keep the Fancy going I would beg of all societies not to hold a members' show, but to throw competition open to all living in the district, or within a certain radius. Club cups, etc., could, of course, be confined to competition amongst members. I am informed that Continental Finches and German Canaries will be conspicuous by their absence this season. There should, therefore, be a good demand for Britishers and singing Canaries. An extra stock class, with a 3d. or 6d. entry fee, and no prize money, should be added to every classification, to give fanciers an opportunity of disposing of their birds to the best advantage. The hour for closing the shows on the last day should be an early one, especially in London, on account of the early closing or "lights out" order.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

The Suggested Welsh National Show.

Sir,—There must be some Welsh fanciers left. They cannot all have gone to the front. Let us hope that the secretaries of various Welsh societies have been communicating with Mr. Thomas, of Cardiff, and that we shall hear something from him on that point presently. Meanwhile, let others voice their "pros" and "cons" through the medium of CAGE BIRDS. Personally, I am strongly in favour of a Welsh National Show, and will do all I can to help it.

W. F. LLOYD-JAMES.

Sir,—Having read Mr. Banks' suggestion re a Welsh National Cage Bird Show, I think it a grand idea, and trust he will have the necessary support. Though only a novice, I will do my best to support him, as there is no society here. I was astonished to read of the losses which occur at cage bird shows, and it will be up to Mr. Banks to alter it. I should like to recommend to him Mr. Alf. Hitching's suggestion, especially re a weekend show, as it is a shift which is badly needed. The railway company would run an excursion for a football match, and by being able to travel by excursion fare we should all be able to do our little part by paying the show a visit.

J. WILLIAMS.

The Scheme of the Carlisle Fanciers.

Sir,—At the meeting of the Border City (Carlisle) O.S., held at headquarters Oct. 6, a fair number turned up, and the desirability of holding a small show in place of open one—cancelled—was put before the meeting. Last New Year's day we held a local show (confined to our own city and members), and had about 120 cages to place before the judges. This was very satisfactory, and it was proposed that we do the same this year. An amendment was proposed that we make the show open to Cumberland and Westmoreland. On discussion it seemed hard that some good fanciers on the Borders who have supported us in all our last five open shows should be left out, so to the amendment was added, "and a 30-mile radius of Carlisle." This was carried. Therefore all exhibitors in the two counties and those from such places as Haltwhistle, Aunan, Langholm, Lockerbie and Ecclefechan will be able to compete. The prize-money and entrance-fee will be the same as last year, viz., 6s., 3s., 1s. 6d., for 1s. entry; members 9d. entry. With the extension of the radius, of course, the classification will be extended, and we hope to receive the Border Fancy C.C.'s patronage. We decided to allot 8 classes for Borders, and Norwich have 6 classes. The Yorks. classes were left undecided until we hear from secretary of Cumberland and Westmoreland Yorks. C.C. Hybrids 1 class, Brit. 5 classes, and For. 1 class. This should make a creditable little show if fanciers will rally round. It will be held in the Assembly Rooms at our headquarters. The judges were left over to the next meeting. Members note that at September meeting the sub. was reduced to 2s. 6d., and is now overdue.

JOHN BELL, Hon. Sec.

A New Fanciers' Society for Sacriston and District.

Sir,—A meeting was held Oct. 17 on the Woodside Allotments, Sacriston, to form a fanciers' society of poultry, pigeons, rabbits, and cage birds, with a radius for membership of five miles; subscription 2s. 6d. per annum. Silver cups were given for best birds in poultry and pigeon sections shown by a member. Officials: Chairman, Mr. J. Rodgers; treasurer, Mr. Wm. Wright, junr.; hon. sec., Mr. Wm. Dodd; and the committee Messrs. A. Sutherland, J. W. Thirkettle, Jos. Jacobs, Jonathan Kell, Wm. Wright, senr., J. Cambell, and T. Liddle, with power to add. A meeting will be held on Saturday, Oct. 31; time and place in next week's issue. As we have received two good specials, we hope this will greatly help to increase our membership. At our next meeting we will fix a date for our annual show in 1915. I shall be glad to receive names and addresses of fanciers desiring to become members.

Wm. DODD, Hon. Sec.

Mavins Buildings, Finden Hill.
Sacriston, Co. Durham.

The Dogged Determination of the Glasgow and Dist. C.B.A.

Sir,—While so many societies have been compelled to abandon their annual fixtures, and others are endeavouring by various means to carry out shows with a view to keeping up the interest of the Fancy, it will come as a most pleasing surprise to the exhibiting fraternity to learn that the Glasgow and Dist. C.B.A. have, by sheer, dogged determination secured a suitable hall, and will

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hold their annual show on the usual dates, i.e. the 20th and 21st Nov. The hall (the Union Hall) is very suitable and situated within a few minutes walk from all the principal stations in the city. Few of the champions have had an opportunity of meeting this year yet, and this event will (through the absence of the City Show) be attended with real interest. It is sincerely to be hoped that such an indefatigable body of fanciers as constitute the management will receive the unlimited support they have striven so long and well to merit.

R. H. L.

Hamilton's Show in Aid of the War Funds.

Sir,—The fanciers of Hamilton and District, at a meeting held in the Town Hall on Saturday last, decided to run an open show for cage birds on Saturday, the 12th of December, the whole proceeds of which will be handed over, one-half to the Belgian and the other half to the local War Funds. A large Committee representative of the various Fancies has been appointed, with Mr. Walter S. Wilson, "Glendyne," South Park Road, Hamilton, as secretary. Entry money fixed at threepence per bird, and admission to show is by subscription ticket, threepence each, which will entitle each holder to a chance of winning a prize out of a gift class. Decided to make a strong effort to secure prizes for the gift classes and also for the open classes if at all possible, as in consideration of the object in view no money prizes will, of course, be given. Schedules of classification with judges' names, etc., will appear in due course. The Secretary is open to receive contributions of any kind from all fanciers disposed to assist in making this laudable object a real success.

W. S. WILSON, hon. sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, Oct. 17. 20 birds sang. 4 minutes' time singing. 1, Caddy; 2, Nelson; 3, Morley.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality Linnet singing contest, Albion Hotel Saville Green, Oct. 17. 16 sang. 1, F. Johnson; 2, Wood; 3, Ward. Judges, Sissons and Lacy. Oct. 18, 22 sang. 1, F. Johnson; 2, P. Johnson; 3, Wood; 4, Singleton. Judges, Sissons and Hardcastle.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Quality singing contests, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, 19 birds competed. 1, Hullen; 2, 3, shared by Bluns and Laycock. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club held quality singing matches, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Leeds, Oct. 17; 24 birds: 1, Whit Laycock; 2, H. Playforth; 3, Hayes; 4, Judges, J. Clark and Alf. Lorrman. Oct. 18, 23 birds: 1, Jim Chippindale; 2, H. Hayes; 3, H. Playforth. Judges, J. Clark and Tolls Solomon.—Alf. Lorrman, Sec.

Club Reports.

GRAGHEAD (Workman's Club).

Meeting in Club Rooms, Oct. 11, Mr. M. Archer chair. Officers elected, Mr. J. H. Elliott, chair; Mr. Alf. Dawson, sec. Decided to hold our Annual Show in January. Judges nominated, Cage Birds, Mr. J. Stanger, Mr. W. Reed, and Mr. J. Riseborough.—Alf. Dawson.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.

Members held another musical evening, Wed., Oct. 14, when an enjoyable time was spent. Mr. H. James, chair, thanked those who had assisted, and mentioned that a members' show would be held in November, specials being offered in nearly all the classes arranged. The following members and friends assisted towards the success of the evening: Songs, Miss Mantell, Miss Parsons, Messrs. H. James, A. Soble, E. Loomes, B. Burden; gramophone selections, Mr. J. Pazel; accompanist, Miss Mantell.—W. H. Gibb, Hon. Sec.

SALE C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 14. Decided, owing to meeting room being used for Army recruiting purposes on Wednesday evenings, to hold our meetings on alternate Tuesdays. Also schedule of last year to be repeated, with exception of Nor. and Yorks. Greens. We should like to see more members attend meetings, as it is hardly fair for four or five of us who do attend to have the placing of specials left to us to decide. What few members attend are determined to do all in their power to make this show a success, and exhibitors can depend on receiving prize money on Saturday of show.—H. Whitney, Assist. Sec.

POPLAR C.B.S.

Meeting held Thursday evening, Oct. 15, to make final arrangements for Annual Show, Nov. 7, and to put the finishing touches to washing exhibition and competition, at Headquarters, Alhambros, E. India Dock Road, Oct. 29, when Mr. J. Wyatt will give his lecture and exhibition on "Washing Birds for Exhibition," after which a competition has been arranged, open to novice members; no entrance fee; competitors to bring their own birds. Mr. Wyatt has kindly promised a special for the winner. Roll up and make this a success. Friends and fanciers will be heartily welcomed.—F. H. Marhoff, Assist. Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Meeting Marlboro' Hotel, Oct. 14, with a very fair gathering. Mr. Willmott chair. Resolved to ask Mr. Wells to judge the Young Stock Show on Nov. 7, birds to be staged not later than 3.30. The silver cups of the society are for competition at this show; rules and classification as per Young Bird Shows. Arrangements are being made to have a washing exhibition at next meeting, by Mr. G. Russell. The chairman hopes all members will attend. Agreed to have the usual members' show on Dec. 26, Mr. Roe to be invited to judge. Specials will be reserved for this show, and a record lot will be given as well as many novelties to attract entries.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

LEITH O.S.

Meeting, Liberal Club, Hope Street, Oct. 10, Pres. Mr. Lumsden, chair. Arrangements for the working of the forthcoming show on Nov. 14 were made. Agreed to advertise the show in CAGE BIRDS of Nov. 7. Members have been fairly successful in the past breeding season, and everything points to having a grand show, as the birds have moulted well. A novel feature at the show will be the president's little girl dressed in a costume made with CAGE BIRDS' plates, and collecting on behalf of the War Relief Fund. It is hoped fanciers and friends will turn out and support "Good Old Leith," as they can depend on seeing something to speak about. Judges: Scotch Fancy, Mr. J. Carson, Dalkeith; Mr. J. M. Lennan, Edinburgh. Nor., Mr. J. Holmes, Edinburgh. Bord., Mr. T. Arnott, Kirkcaldy; Mr. J. Patterson, Chirnside, Brit., Mr. M'Quiston, Ayr.—George W. Brown.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Special general meeting, held October 7th, at Crown Hotel, Hill Street, with a good attendance, to decide whether the open show should be held. Mr. Broadhurst chair. After a slight discussion, the Chairman proposed that we hold an open show and his proposition was carried practically unanimously. The financial side of the question was then gone into, and the Vice-chairman gave an estimated cost, based on last year's figures. He pointed out that he did not see how we could make the show a success on the old lines this year, owing to the war and consequent difficulty of disposing of admission tickets, etc., but proposed that we charge entry fees of 1s. 6d. for first, and 1s. each succeeding entry from each exhibitor, giving prize-money on sliding scale of 1s. each entry, the odd sixpence to expenses; further to give not the profits, if any, to the Prince of Wales's Fund, but all the gate and admission ticket moneys. In his opinion we should be selling tickets under false pretences if we promised the profit money, because we had yet to make one on an open show. He gave the maximum loss on above plan to be £10, and said the society could stand the expense, and would reap a big reward for its enterprise, if only as an advertisement. The averages per class last year were: Nor. 12s., Nov. 17s., Yorks. 13s., Nov. 17s., Bord. 12s., Sell. 26s., Mules 7s., Brit. 12s., For. 8s., or 17s. throughout the show (47 classes) 12s., so that in several classes exhibitors should gain more prize-money for 1s. entry than previously received for 1s. 6d. The proposition was considered by many members to be too tall, and the vice-chairman withdrew the "100 per cent. admission fees to P.W. Fund," to enable the question of sliding scale to be voted upon, and the result was for the sliding scale. The Vice-chairman then proposed the 100 per cent. admission fees again, but an amendment was carried by a big majority to give 50 per cent. to the P.W. Fund. The same classification as last year was decided upon, but making a £1 limit for Crests and Crestheads. Mr. J. Robson to judge, and Messrs. W. G. Wells and A. Shirley show managers. The Roller members then wanted a turn, and it was carried that a separate open show be held Saturday, December 19th, with seven open classes. Next monthly meeting, Nov. 4, at 8; there will be a lot of business.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec.

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LARKHALL C.B.A.

Meeting, Y.M. Halls, Oct. 17, President in chair. Final arrangements were made for show. Nominations closing date for young bird cup was extended till closing of entries for this year. Next meeting, Oct. 28, Y.M. Halls. Entries will be taken from 7 p.m. Subscription sheets to be in that night.—A. Thomson, Sec.

CUMBERLAND AND WEST-MORLAND Y.C.C.

Committee meeting, Collee Tavern, Maryport, Oct. 14, a good company present. Decided to grant the patronage of the Union to Carlisle and Whitehaven societies, on condition that they adhere to the Union rules. Also carried that we hold a show at Maryport, on Dec. 26, and that the cup be competed for at Maryport. J. S. Head, Hon. Sec.

COLINTON & CURRIE PARISHES.

Meeting, Village Hall, Juniper Green, Vice-Pres. (Mr. M'Chie) in chair. Sec. had some samples of medals for members to choose from for the Annual Show, and a selection was made. Sec. intimated that Mr. and Mrs. McPherson had kindly consented to present the prizes at the annual show, and a number of special prizes were intimated at the close of the meeting. Jas. Napier, Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 8, Mr. Havenhand chair. Unanimously decided to hold our Annual Show as arranged, on Nov. 21. Messrs. G. Browning (Canaries) and P. Walsh (British) being elected to judge. Result of Table Show: Yorks.: 1, 3, Blunt; 2, 4, Eason. GR.: 1, 2, 3, Eason. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, be, Bearer; 2, 3, 4, vhc. Duce. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, 4, Darlow; 3, Buckley. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc. Jones. Mr. J. Perry judged.—E. Johnson, Sec.

GLASGOW AND W. OF SCOTLAND

Special general meeting, Oct. 8, Nelson Temperance Hotel, Mr. W. Wood (Vice-Pres.) in chair, and a large attendance. The question of having open classes inserted in schedule of Club Show, Nov. 28, was considered. It was the unanimous mind of meeting that open classes be added as follows: Crests: 2, C. Bred 2, Nor. 6, Bord. 5, Yorks. 9 (Yorks. classes under patronage of Y.C.C. of Scotland), Mules 2, Brit. 5; with three money prizes on sliding scale. Entry fee 1/-. Prize cards free.—W. Hutchison, Sec.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Meeting, Graunge Park Hall, Oct. 5, Mr. Bartlett chair. A washing competition was held, and a good muster turned up to this good old annual event. Of the several members who competed each seemed to use a different method, which, however, proved very interesting, and gave rise to a good deal of discussion. The birds having been allowed to dry, Mr. G. East was pronounced the winner. Mr. B. F. Forse acted as judge, and members accorded him a vote of thanks. A number of specials were given for our annual show.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Assist. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

General meeting, Oct. 5, headquarters, 21 members present, Mr. Etheridge chair. The question of purchasing cups this year was gone into, and it was unanimously decided to purchase a challenge cup, to be put up for the best unfledged bird of the year (bred and exhibited by a member) and four smaller cups: Best champion Canary, best novice Canary, best British or Mule, and best Foreign. Members regret very much that we are unable to hold our Open Show, but it is impossible owing to the fact that there is not a single hall available. Mr. H. Norman will judge our Members' Show, and I know there will be some good birds on view.—W. L. Page, Hon. Sec.

GATESHEAD C.B.S.

Meeting Oct. 14, Mr. Holden presided over a fair attendance. Decided to cancel our Annual Open Show and all arrangements made in connection with it. A discussion arose whether we should run a Members' Show or have a one day show, and we decided on the latter and to put on 44 classes, and pay 14s. per class for its fee. The show to be held on Dec. 19. Sec. was instructed to write re judging same to Messrs. T. C. Crawhall, J. Johnson, T. B. Tomlinson, G. Dobson, and J. Bertram. The final arrangements were left over until a special meeting, Oct. 27, when rules, etc., will be drawn up. I now appeal to all members, to rally around the society and make this one of the best shows in the annals of the "Palace of the North." Members please note change of meeting night, and also that subs. are now overdue.—W. Curry, Sec.

OPEN NORWICH PLAINHEAD C.C.

Meeting, Market Tavern, Bradford, Oct. 17. Decided to grant patronage to Manchester and Northern Counties O.S., and Huddersfield O.S., making the patronage shows as follows: Manchester and N.C.O.S., Oct. 31; Halifax O.S., Nov. 20, 21; Huddersfield O.S., Dec. 12; Doncaster C.B.S., Jan. 9. We have a few vacancies where we can allot patronage; if societies would like same please apply early. Decided to give four specials in each section: Open and Amateur. If only the above shows were held under the patronage; cups, bowls, etc., competitions would have to be abandoned for this season, but providing we could get a few more societies to accept our patronage we can have all competitions as usual. Members please watch CAGE BIRDS for any alteration or additions.—F. Rhodes, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN CREST CLUB.

Meeting, Oct. 14, Lockhart's Cafe, Newcastle. Letter was read from Newcastle C.B.S., applying for our patronage for its members' show, Nov. 14. After a discussion as to whether we should give our patronage to members' shows, it was decided to give three medals to keep the interest of the Crested variety going, as there is only one society having an open show under our patronage. There will be medals for best old bird, best young, and best novice, open to all members of the N.C.C., whether members of Newcastle C.B.S. or not, so don't be afraid to send your entries along. There are eight classes. Should Gateshead C.B.S. not be holding an open show, it was decided to hold our cup patronage in conjunction with Newcastle East End C.B.S., on the same condition as the members', open to all members of the Northern C.C. There are still a few subs. to come, which I would like to receive.—Geo. Dobson, Sec.

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CLAPHAM.

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Clapham C.B.S. held its Seventh Annual Show, Oct. 15. The first of the London shows this season, naturally the result of the venture was awaited with considerable interest. Entries numbered about 400, which considering that all birds had to be delivered and fetched away by hand, must be considered satisfactory. Some classes were poorly supported, notably the Champion Nor. and Bord.; perhaps the majority of the birds are not yet fit. There were some well filled classes of Yorks., both in champions and novices. We thought Mr. H. Neighbour's bull the pick of the novice section, it was very much admired. Mr. Gedgo staged a grand marked yell. Norwich in the novice section, and Mr. Leech sent a real good buff. British birds came up well, and the majority of them looked exceedingly fit. The foreign section was not large, but very attractive, and especially interesting by the presence of a nice team put down by Mr. Frost, among which was a very perfect Jackson's Whymal and a Dumont's Grackle (Mynah). The latter is a first appearance on the show bench. Mr. Maxwell's exquisite pair of double-collared Sunbirds attracted the attention of everyone. There was a good gathering of London fanciers, who were as keen as ever over the exhibits. The management should do well over the venture, and we have no doubt other societies who have kept going will do equally well. The show committee consisted of the following well known fanciers: Messrs. Phillips, Allen, Snook, Hathaway, Silverthorne, Vale, Yeoman, Warley, and Whitmore, while Mr. T. J. Hose acted as secretary in his usual efficient way, and Mr. A. R. Coo made a splendid and hard-working show manager. Mr. Robson judged Canaries, and Mr. Silver the remainder.

NOR. CHAMP., CL. OR TKD. CK. (1): Crawford, fine bold buff. HEN (2): 1, Crawford, bonny bird, plenty of subs.; 2, Curtis, sweetly moulded, wonderful qual. VARIEG. (1): Crawford. UNFLIG (3): 1, Crawford, stoutly built, neat head; 2, 3, Curtis, very useful birds, typical and neat. YORKS. CL. TKD. YELL. CK. (16): 1, c, Buckingham, nice style, cleanly cut, well up on leg, hot col., beautifully furnished; 2, Clarke, shade stouter, grand length, good pos. and qual.; 3, Hull, fine type, capital length of side, neat wing, wants a bit more handling; vhc. Mrs. Gill; hc. Warley. BUFF (15): 1, hc. Clarke, lovely qual. wing tkd., grand length of wing, stiff tail, neat head, full size; 2, Easterling, beautiful type, well up on leg, good wings, nice qual.; 3, Hull, very smart, cl. slim, and stylish; vhc. Warley; c. Smith. HEN (16): 1, 2, Buckingham, leader, lovely racy yell.; very stylish, capital pos., well up on leg, in full fettle; 2, Charming buff, grand type and qual.; 3, Fairman, typical, clean cut, tightly braced wings; vhc. c. Easterling; hc. Clarke. VARIEG. (7): 1, Heath, good length, nicely cut away, tightly braced wings, neat head and tail; 2, Fairman, typical, nice pos. and style, grand length, clean cut; 3, Smith, lovely type and style; vhc. Easterling; hc. Clarke; c. Buckingham. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Fairman, grand length, beautifully cut away, rare qual. of feather; 2, 3, vhc. Clarke, the leader, lovely yell., hardly so long in the side, but beautifully furnished; 2, bonny buff, rare type and style, capital pos., boxy feather; hc. Easterling; c. Buckingham. BORD.: 1, 2, Burton Bros., grand ptd. yell., and a cl., typical, sweetly moulded, fine cond. NOV.: NOR., CL. OR TKD. CK. (12): 1, vhc. Leech, grand, bold buff, good head and neck, extra full front, capital qual.; 2, Gedgo, fine buff, shade bigger, cobby, neat wings and tail; 3, Snook, capital yell., good qual. and col.; hc. Harris; c. Smith. HEN (4): 1, Offord, lovely qual. yell., nicely proportioned, good, tightly braced wings, well across the perch; 2, Harris, hold huff, stoutly built, short flights and tail; 3, Mrs. Askew, good type and style, beaten in col. only; vhc. Leech. VARIEG. (8): 1, Gedgo, capital 3-ptd. yell., charming type; 2, Underhay, lightly mkd. buff, plenty of feather, capital wings; 3, hc. Leech, wing and eye mkd. yell., grand head, hot col., good qual.; vhc. Smith; c. Mrs. Askew. UNFLIG. (16): 1, Harris, capital yell., good type and style, nice head and neck, good front, capital wing and tail, hot col.; 2, vhc. Smith, yell., fine subs., wee bit weak in head but good wings and tail, rare qual.; 3, Taylor, neck tkd., yell., capital qual.; hc. Leech; c. Mrs. Askew. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (14): 1, Neighbour, fine length of wing, neat head, nicely cut away, grand stock bird; 2, Johnson, fine length and style, good back and wings, hardly so smooth in front as might be, but still nice; 3, Whiting, wee bit on the small side, but very typical; vhc. Bonniwell and Sou; hc. Bailey; c. Huggins. BUFF (14): 1, Neighbour, good upstanding bird, nice length, in fine fettle; 2, Miss Philcox, typical, stands well, fine cond.; 3, Taylor, nice one, finely drawn, well staged; vhc. Bell; hc. Yeoman; c. Bailey. HEN (7): 1, Bailey, typical yell., nicely cut away, good wings and tail, fails a bit in col., but still a real Yorks.; 2, Phillips, fine huff, nice type and style, tightly braced wings; 3, Johnston, capital size, good pos., nice qual.; vhc. Neighbour; hc. Yeoman; c. Last. MKD. (10): 1, Bell, grand size, good length of wing, bit slack in feather and polish; 2, Mrs. Philcox, nice tkd., good type, neat head, capital shoulders; 3, Walker, very charming, varieg., real Yorks. type, if not much of it, much admired; vhc. Huggins; hc. c. Taylor. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Walker, lovely pos., capital shoulders, shade rough in front, grand length of wing; 2, Gilbert, grand mkd. yell., real topper, must have pressed; neat head, and wings, cleanly cut away to a good tail, capital qual.; 3, Taylor, typical buff, lovely qual., good head and wings, wee bit open at back. BORD., CL. OR TKD. CK. (9): 1, 2, 3, Hutchinson, charming trio, real Border type, neat heads, nicely modelled, lovely cond.; vhc. Joplin; hc. Snook; c. Simmonds. HEN (2): 1, Simmonds, fine buff, full size, nicely rounded body, neat wings; 2, Last, nice yell. MKD. (4): 1, Last, lovely wing mkd. yell., neat type and style; 2, Kybert, var. buff, good head and wings; vhc. Piggins; hc. Simmonds. UNFLIG. (14): 1, hc. Snook, grand buff, fine type, sweet head, smart wings and tail; 2, 3, Humphries, 2nd hardly so good in head as winner, capital wings and tail and lovely qual.; 3rd very neat yell., shade small, capital type; vhc. Joplin; c. Kybert. CREST OR C.B. (13): 1, 3, vhc. hc. c. Slade, leader a grand var. Crest, fine size and subs., good centre and droop, well packed; 3rd var. Crest, hardly the size and formation of winner, but still a good one; excellent frontal; 2, Rhodes, capital C.B., rare size and qual., good skull, nicely lashed and filled. HYB. LIGHT (3): 1, 2, Lamb, lightly mkd. Goldf.Can., rare qual. and cond., 2nd var. Greenie, nice size, rich col., shapely; 3, Vale, lightly mkd. Goldf.Can., capital shapo and size. DARK (12): 1, 2, vhc. Lamb, win-

ner well-known Can-Bulle, very shapely, rich sound col., grand qual., 2nd dark Goldf.Can., fine size and shapo, cleanly mkd., fine trim; 3, Buckingham, charming Redpoll-Can., wonderful also and shapo, grand rich col., in capital feather; hc. Vale; c. Nicholls. BETWEEN TWO BRIT.: 1, 3, Lamb, leader very fine Greenf-Chaffinch, grand size and col., fine cond., 3rd lovely Slakin Goldf., real beauty, richly nkd., fine col. and qual.; 2, vhc. Nicholls, charming Goldf-Bulle, capital size and shapo, nicely nkd., grand col. and qual.; hc. Cooper; c. Richmond. GOLDF. (10): 1, Maxwell, good size and shapo, cleanly-cut bib of excellent depth of col., well tanned, good wings; 2, Hathaway, hardly so clean cut in bib, will improve; 3, Prior, we liked equally as well, not over big, but all there for qual. and cond.; vhc. Cooper; hc. Coe; c. Brownlie. LINNET (8): 1, 2, Francis, the old champion, still looking fit, grand size and col., wealth of pencilling, lovely cond., 2nd very shapely, good size, beaten in col. and marking, grand feather; 3, Coe, similar, fails in pencilling, but excellent shapo and size, good qual.; vhc. Vale; hc. Mrs. Askew; c. Cooper. SISKIN, &c. (19): 1, 3, Francis, winner a bonny Mealy, grand size and shapo, tightly packed, beautifully pencilled, in fine trim, 3rd good Lesser, capital size, rich deep col., nicely mkd. throughout; 2, Slappard, fine Siskin, lovely shapo, good size, nicely mkd. and laced, rich col., good cap and bib; vhc. Prior; hc. Vale; c. Snook. CHAFFINCH & BRAMBLE (11): 1, Coe, very fine Bramble, grand size and shapo, good bold front, fine col., capital wings, nicely spangled; 2, Vale, lovely Chaffinch, good size and shapo, rare col. and qual.; 3, Francis, good Chaffinch, nice size and col.; hc. Mrs. Askew; c. Prior. GREENF. (7): 1, 2, Francis, winner lovely shapo and col., nice qual. feather, 2nd wonderful size and shapo, grand full head, good wings, hardly so fit as winner; 3, Maxwell, good shapo and qual., hardly the size; vhc. Prior; hc. Coe; c. Hull. BULLE. (5): 1, Sapper, grand size, good shapo, full neck and front, sound col. for the season, in good order; 2, Coe, hardly so bright in col., but capital shapo and size, will improve; 3, Mrs. Askew, lovely hen, shapely, nice size, good depth of col., sound cond.; vhc. Garrod; hc. Pearce. HAWF. (13): 1, Oliver, grand size, nice full body, massive head, well-cut bib, A1 qual.; 2, Maxwell, another beauty, hardly so clean-cut in bib, rare size and col., good wings; 3, Francis. YELL. BUNT. (2): 1, Maxwell, good size and shapo, nicely spangled, good col. and markings; 2, Simmonds. BUNTING (2): 1, Francis, well-known Corn, fit, grand size and col., beautifully mkd.; 2, Pearce, lovely Girl. INSECTIV. (8): 1, vhc. Frost, charming little Golderest, in wonderful feather, lively as a cricket; 2, Hathaway, grand Grey Wagtail, in faultless condition, showy to perfection; 3, Vale, very fine Blackcap, good size, nice tone of col., broad cap, lovely cond.; hc. Maxwell; c. Hose. PARROT, ETC. (2): 1, 2, Maxwell, pair of very fine Red-collared Lorics, charming exhibits, and a grand Hooded Parrakeet, beautiful col., in the best of cond. BUDGERIGARS (2): 1, Shipton, very fine pair, grand size, beautifully mkd., sound rich col.; 2, Cooper. AVADAVATS, &c. (7): 1, Shipton, lovely pair Cordon Bleus, grand size, lovely tone of col.; 2, Buckingham, good pair of Green Avadavats, fine size and shapo, good col. and qual.; 3, Maxwell, good pair of Cordons, grand col. and cond.; vhc. c. Cooper; hc. Hathaway. WAX-BILLS, &c. (5): 1, 2, vhc. (2), Frost, lovely Painted Finch, grand rich col., in fine fettle, 2nd Black-headed Gouldian, capital size, richly mkd., lovely qual.; 3, Maxwell, very fine pair of Melbas, lovely order. BUNTINGS, &c. (3): 1, Frost, with a grand Jackson's Whymal, wonderful condition, nicely staged; 2, Hathaway, fine bold Red-headed Finches, rare size and shapo; 3, Cooper, very fine Masked Weavers, deep rich col., good size and shapo, A1 qual. A.O.S. (3): 1, 2, Maxwell, latter Red-collared Sunbird, hardly at its best yet, winners Lesser Double-banded, perfect condition; 3, Frost, very fine Dumont's Mynah, grand bold bird in fine fettle.

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS O.S.

Annual Open Show, Oct. 3, Grapes Inn, Nottingham. Mr. W. Vardy judged. YELL. NOR.: 1, Fox, varieg., nice size, col. and qual.; 2, Parlett, varieg., nice size; 3, Smith. BUFF: 1, Hulse, large cl., full of col., nice qual.; 2, Fox, another good clear; 3, Binks, nice and cobby, but not the size and col. of winner; vhc. Smith. UNFLIG.: 1, Buxton, good cl. buff, nice size and col., full of qual.; 2, Parfitt, large, nice qual., but longer in body; 3, Hulse, links like a hen, will do well in her class; vhc. Binks; hc. Smith. YELL., D.C.: 1, 2, Holmes, nice qual. of erect, rather small. BUFF: 1, Bowers, good Gr., large, well-shaped crest, full of qual.; 2, Goode, Gr., large crest, split at side; 3, Wood; vhc. hc. Reynolds; c. Green. LIGHT: 1, 2, Reynolds, nice crests. YELL. C.B. CK.: 1, Holmes. BUFF: 1, Bowers, large Gr., good head, well up in feather; 2, 3, Reynolds, both good; vhc. hc. Goode. C.B. HEN: 1, Reynolds, large, good head, plenty of good qual. feather; 2, Barker, close up; 3, Wood; vhc. Holmes. UNFLI. CREST: 1, Barker, good D.C., large and good shapo and qual.; 2, 3, Goode, both nice youngsters; vhc. hc. Bowers. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Beers, good yell. YORKS.: 1, mkd. Buff; 3, Hayter; vhc. Smith. DARK CAN. MULE: 1, Hayter, Can-Bulle, in good form; 2, Parlett, large yell. Gold-Can.; 3, Haytor, Goldf.Can.; vhc. Brown. A.O.V. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Parlett, the noted Canary-Bullie White Rose, in grand trim; 2, Haytor, Linnet-Bullie, nice size, good col.; 3, Parlett, varieg. Linnet-Mule, nice size; vhc. Redpoll-Greenf. LINNET: 1, 2, Parlett, winner, grand size, extra good mks.; 2, nice size, but not the finish of winner; 3, Cottingham, large and good; vhc. Wood; hc. Lockett; c. Curzon, grand class. GOLDF. OR BULLE.: 1, 2, Cottingham, Bullf., large and extra good col.; 2, Goldf., nice size, good blaze; 3, Milne, Bullf., good col., rather small; vhc. Brown. GREENF., ETC.: 1, 2, Cottingham, both Bramble, large and good in col. and nks.; 3, Perrin, Bramble; vhc. Smith. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Parlett, good Twite; 2, Haytor, nice Mealy Redpoll; 3, Haytor, Siskin; vhc. Milne; hc. c. Cottingham. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 3, Cottingham, Hawfinch, large, good col., very steady; 3, nice Corn Bunting; 2, Milne, another good Hawfinch; vhc. Milne, Wheatear; hc. Parlett; c. Haytor.

WIBSEY C.E.S.

Show, Horse and Groom Inn, Oct. 10; Mr. W. Taylor, Halifax, judged. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, 2, Chapman; 3, W. Crowther; 4, J. Crowther. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, 4, Farrer; 3, Chapman. GR. MKD. YELL.: 1, Hanson; 2, Sutcliffe. BUFF: 1, Hanson; 2, J. Crowther; 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Farrer. CINN. YELL. CK.: 1, Chapman. BUFF: 1, Chapman. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, Hanson; 3, Battye. BUFF: 1, W. Crowther; 2, J. Crowther; 3, Battye; 4, Sutcliffe. BUFF HEN GR.: 1, Hanson; 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Crowther. CINN. MKD.: 1, Chapman; 2, Holroyd. FOUL MKD.: 1, Chapman; 2, Holroyd. FOUL MKD.: 1, W. Crowther; 2, Holroyd. (Please write on one side only of each sheet of paper used.—Ed.)

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

Third members' show, Oct. 10, Railway Hotel, Mr. Morement judged, and gave every satisfaction. CHAMP., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, 4, Gledhill; 2, Swaine; 3, vhc. Padgett; hc. Symes; c. Parker. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, Symes; 3, c. Duckworth; 4, Swaine; vhc. Orme; hc. Gledhill. MKD. (3): 1, 2, Gledhill; 3, Parker. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Orme; 3, hc. Symes; 4, vhc. Gledhill; hc. Swaine. BUFF (8): 1, Swaine; 2, vhc. Symes; 3, 4, c. Orme; hc. Duckworth. MKD. HEN (1): 1, Parker. NOV., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (2): 1, Pownall; 2, Reeds and Longley. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, Pownall; 2, 3, hc. Sykes; 4, vhc. Reeds and Longley. MKD. (5): 1, Reeds and Longley; 2, 3, 4, Sykes; vhc. Pownall. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Pownall. BUFF (7): 1, vhc. Pownall; 2, 3, 4, Reeds and Longley; hc. c. Sykes. MKD. HEN (4): 1, 3, 4, Reeds and Longley; 2, Pownall.

HALIFAX O.S.

Members' show, Plummet Line Hotel, Oct. 10, Mr. E. Clegg (Dewsbury) judged and gave every satisfaction. There was a good entry of 107 birds. CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Belliwell; 2, 3, Wilkinson; vhc. Lloyd; hc. c. Townsend. BUFF (11): 1, c. Burdekin Bros.; 2, Saville; 3, Belliwell; vhc. Lloyd; hc. Wilkinson. MKD. (7): 1, Wilkinson; 2, hc. Saville; 3, Burdekin Bros.; vhc. Townsend; c. Dunn. GREENS: 1, Pilling. NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (16): 1, 2, Speak; 3, Sharp; vhc. Gelder; hc. Child; c. Holroyd. BUFF (21): 1, Ellis; 2, Gelder; 3, Horsman; vhc. Whitham; hc. Speak; c. Sharp. MKD. (14): 1, Horsman; 2, Corney; 3, Speak; vhc. Sharp; hc. c. Smith. GREENS (9): 1, Woodhead; 2, hc. Sharp; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc. Briggs; c. Scruton. CHAMP. NOR. YELL.: 1, Lord; 2, Armitage. BUFF: 1, Lord; 2, Armitage; 3, Clegg. NOV. YELL.: 1, 2, Corney. BUFF: 1, Hartley Bros.; 2, 3, Corney; vhc. Craven; hc. Wild. MORE DARK THAN LIGHT: 1, Corney. BRIT. FINCH: 1, 2, Macpherson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Belliwell; 2, Clegg, spl. most points Champ.; Wilkinson, 15 pts.; 2, Belliwell, 12 Nov.; Speak, 15; 2, atie, Corney and Sharp, 12 cach.—Harry Clegg, Sec.

SKELMANTHORPE C.B.A.

Annual exhibition in connection with the Yorkshire Union, Oct. 17, Working Men's Club. The room is an ideal one, being nicely heated and free from draught. The exhibits numbered 274, a record for Skelmanthorpe, and quality was quite up to the standard of Union shows. The Pres., Mr. J. Helliwell, was congratulated on winning the silver cup for best unfledged bird, the winner being the Bristol bowl and Bradford East rose bowl winner, thereby doing the hat trick at the first three Yorkshire Union Shows. Mr. Fred Allen (Cleckheaton) judged and gave satisfaction. The Sec., Mr. Hampshire, assisted by Mr. P. Taylor, got through his duties well, and we understand that all prize-money was paid in the room to winners present. The stewards, led by Messrs. L. Jehson and Hirst, got through the work in a most businesslike manner, all exhibits being returned home in good time. The show was visited by a great number of visitors, and gave great satisfaction to the exhibitors present, and to the society. The novice cup was won by W. Crowther (Halifax).

CHAMP., CL. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Dykes; 3, Thomas; 4, Stobart; vhc. Ogdon Bros.; hc. Bennett. BUFF (9): 1, Mason; 2, A. Radley; 3, Dyson; 4, Thomas; vhc. Self; hc. Hirst; c. Ogdon Bros. TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Hirst; 2, Ogdon Bros.; 3, Casey; 4, Hellewell; vhc. Bedford; hc. Hirst; c. Thomas. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes; 2, Beaumont; 3, Sheard; 4, Arthur Radley; vhc. Taylor; hc. Hall; c. Wadsworth. UNEVEN MKD. (6): 1, Dykes; 2, Hellewell; 3, Mason; 4, Hall; vhc. Ogdon Bros.; hc. Hardaker. YELL. HEN (14): 1, Mason; 2, Hirst; 3, Taylor; 4, Towers; vhc. Hardaker; hc. Hutchinson; c. Clegg. BUFF (10): 1, Hirst; 2, Ogdon Bros.; 3, Clegg; 4, Dyson; vhc. Priestley; hc. Bedford; c. Radley. UNFLI. YELL. (13): 1, Hellewell; 2, Hirst; 3, Binns; 4, Jebson; vhc. Atkinson and Firth; hc. Bennett; c. Hutchinson. BUFF (15): 1, Beaumont; 2, Dykes; 3, A. Radley; 4, vhc. Dyson; hc. Taylor. HEN (10): 1, Clegg; 2, Hirst; 3, Self; 4, Hutchinson; vhc. Clegg; hc. Charlsworth; c. Hellewell. CINN., TKD. OR VGD. YELL. (8): 1, Thomas; 2, Towers; 3, Casey; 4, Hudson; vhc. Towers; hc. c. Morrison. BUFF (6): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Hodgson; 3, Bedford; 4, Morrison; vhc. Hudson; hc. Hodgson. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Morrison; 2, Towers; 3, Atkinson and Firth; 4, Morris; vhc. Thomas; hc. Priestley. BUFF (7): 1, Morrison; 2, Towers; 3, Binns; 4, Meadowcroft; vhc. Casey; hc. Morrison; c. Atkinson and Firth. NOV., CL. YELL. (8): 1, Warburton; 2, Fisher and Dyson; 3, Boulton; 4, Hird; vhc. Everett; hc. Lodge; c. Marshall. BUFF (11): 1, M. Radley; 2, Warburton; 3, Shaw; 4, Fisher and Dyson; vhc. Ellis; hc. Everett; c. Marshall Bros. TKD. BUFF (7): 1, McLoughlin; 2, P. Taylor; 3, Ismay; 4, Everett; vhc. Hampshire and Hobson; hc. Bower; c. Shaw. UNEVEN MKD. (8): 1, 3, Studd; 2, Dibb; 4, Allatt; vhc. Sharp; hc. Ellis; c. McLoughlin. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Studd; 2, Radcliffe; 3, Hamlyn; 4, Fisher; vhc. Lodge; hc. Morley; c. Sharpe. BUFF (17): 1, 2, Fisher and Dyson; 3, Crowther; 4, Sharpe; vhc. Fisher; hc. Sharpe; c. Shaw. UNFLI. YELL. (17): 1, McLoughlin; 2, Morley; 3, Crowther; 4, Roberts; vhc. Shaw; hc. Bolton; c. Lodge. BUFF (19): 1, Bower; 2, Dibb; 3, Everett; 4, Taylor; vhc. Bower; hc. Mosley; c. Hampshire and Hobson. HEN (19): 1, F. Radley; 2, Fisher and Dyson; 3, Rhodes Bros.; 4, T. Fisher; vhc. Hamlyn; hc. Dibb; c. Shaw. NOR. (6): 1, 2, Kaberry; 3, Thomas; 4, vhc. Corney; hc. Ismay. HEN (5): 1, 2, Kaberry; 3, vhc. Corney; 4, Thomas. SELL., YORKS. CK. (16): 1, Morley; 2, Bennett; 3, P. Taylor; 4, Mason. HEN (9): 1, Beaumont; 2, Hodgson; 3, Rbodes; 4, Wadsworth.

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WANTED, Canaries and Mules, all classes, good price given: Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. WANTED, Singer's spool sewing machine, or English concertina, will give harmonium with 7 stops: 27, Tatton-st., Salford. (1827) WANTED, a large quantity of Canaries for export, best prices given, cash per return: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1826) WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds: Mrs. Martin, 93, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1826) WANTED, birds, pigeons, monkeys, Parrots, poultry, rabbits, dogs, ferrets; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1828)

WANTED, cock Goldie Mule or Canary; exchange coat and vest, suit working man: Palmer, 64, North-east-st., Gt. Yarmouth. (1826)

WANTED, gramophone and records; exchange 6 pair Canaries, 2 breeding cages; approval: Wise, Bootmaker, Keswick, Cumberland. (1823)

WANTED, Canaries, cock Goldfinches, and Mules; cash or exchange; cages, any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1829)

WANTED, Yorkshires, Norwich and Crests, in exchange for boots: A. Thompson, Bootmaker, 197, Bradford-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1823)

WANTED, a good exhibition H.M. or F.M. Linnets; will exchange field-glasses, or sell, 12/6: Greaves and Richards, 88, Richard-st., Mardy. (1823)

WANTED, gramophone and records, Edison Gram preferred, cheap; approval, deposit Editor: Miss A. Morris, Guildford-rd., Chertsey, Surrey. (1824)

WANTED, catchers' prices for Goldfinches, Linnets, Bullfinches, etc.: Bandle and Davies, 7, Tinnamans-row, Brynmaman, Carn, South Wales. (1819)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets and all kinds of British birds: Chris. Hatton, 21, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1828)

WANTED, yellow Norwich hens for cash; exchange silver English lever watch, guaranteed; approval with pleasure: Atkinson, Market-place, Guisborough. (1825)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshires, hen Canaries; will give 20/- dozen; I will buy any kind of live stock: W. Perkins, 207, East-st., Walworth, London, S.E. (1823)

WILL give pair lady's opera glasses, new, in plush bag, for two good pure-bred pullets or pair Canaries; approval both ways: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithy-bridge, Lancs. (1826)

NOTICE.—Will give 6/- per pair for good Norwich and Yorkshires, also wanted Crests, Border Fancy, Mules; good prices given: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

WANTED, reliable dealers to take large or small quantity of brown cock Linnets and other British cheap: Thompson, Rose Cottage, Church Lane, Winthorpe, Skegness. (1823)

WANTED, one or two Glucke Roller cocks, schoolmasters; cash or exchange Plainheads, Crests, or Crestbreds to value; approval both ways: Jeffries, Hartforth, Richmond, Yorks. (1824)

WANTED, any quantity hen Canaries, all breeds, for spot cash; or exchange selected Britishers for show; state breed and lowest price; also wanted, show cages in exchange for Britishers; strictly honourable dealings guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (1806)

Wanted—Birds, Dogs, Poultry Monkeys, Parrots, Canaries, purchased or exchanged, will deposit with CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby Place, Bethnal Green, London. (1794)

WANTED

any quantity cocks or pairs of Canaries, also Mules, good prices, cash by return post: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1828)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

of hen Canaries, Norwich, Yorkshires, and Borders, and light hen Goldfinch Mules; will give 18/- to 21/- doz.; cash or deposit, "Cage Birds": Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1828)

WANTED

cock Canaries, in song only, also hens, for export, Parrots, monkeys, Jays, Magpies, squirrels, guinea pigs, Goldfinches, Larks, white mice, fowls, ferrets, etc., wanted for shop doing best trade in Yorkshire; state prices: Manager, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (1824)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

FRED ALLEN will exchange high-class British for any kind of Canaries: Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (1830) WHAT offers in Canaries, Mules, for black pug dog pup, £2: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. (1827)

THREE extra large cock Linnets singing, 1/6 each; big yellow Greenfinch, 1/-; exchange anything: G. Frish, Crowle, Lincs. (1829)

PAIR Greypates, 2/6; hen Bullie, 1/-; muling hen Canary, 2/-; offers; all healthy: W. Conic, Newtown, Raunds, Wellingboro'. (1829)

LEEDS Linnets and Canary Club contest Linnets, sale or exchange: Secretary, Lorrimer, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner-lane, Leeds. (1827)

WV Cockatiel, pair Java Sparrows; exchange cock Goldfinches; two house-moulted cock Greenies, cock Bullfinch; exchange Bantams; offers: Criddeford, Laphor. (1823)

EXCHANGE H.M. Lesser and Mealy Redpolls, colour-fed, also 2 Twites for 2 Yorkshires or Norwich hens, 1914 birds, must be large: Wm. Harper, Glennan, Fort William. (1819)

1,000 IRISH COCK GOLDFINCHES.

2/- each, 16/- per dozen, or exchange for Mules or Rollers: P. Madden, Fethard, Co. Tipperary. (1824)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE, pair green Yorkshires for gent's boots, sevens, or musical instrument: Smith, 128, Blackman-lane, Leeds. (1829)

BORDERS; exchange buff var. cock, 2 yellow hens, for yellow ticked cock, winner: Rea, 1, Hill-rd., Arbroath. (1827)

EXCHANGE good Norwich cock for Roller cock or British, sell 10/6: Parker, 252, Askern-rd., Bentley, nr. Doncaster. (1826)

PAIR of Yorkshire Canaries, good birds, 7/6, or exchange poultry or anything useful: Walker, 11, Bridge-lane, Ilkley. (1827)

EXCHANGE two cock Canaries, 5 hens, for Toy Yorkshire dog; dog first: E. Teague, Church Cemetery, Llanelly, Carm. (1826)

SIX pairs colour-fed Norwich; exchange anything useful, sell 7/6 pair; offers: Miss A'Court, Crown Hotel, Blandford, Dorset. (1821)

EXCHANGE Norwich cock, 1914 bred, for pair boots, 9s; or offers good cycle lamp: Watson, Black-house, Ashbyville, Doncaster. (1825)

EXCHANGE or sell 12 good hens, mostly Yorkshires, also few good pairs, dirt cheap; what offers? Tillet, Meadvale, Redhill, Surrey. (1822)

FOURTEEN Norwich and Norwich-Roller crossed, cocks, singing, 7/6 pair, 45/- lot; useful exchange: Woodhouse, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (1824)

EXCHANGE smart varieg. Border cock Canary for two young Yorkshire cocks; approval: J. Sharp, Belmont-avenue, Chapeltown, Sheffield. (1824)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires, stock, show or songsters, for Yorkshire show cases: C. Egerton, 22, Priory-rd., St. Denis, Southampton. (1824)

EXCHANGE four cocks, six hen Yorkshires, one flight, four breeding cages, for bicycle, or anything useful: Rowe, Brunswick-rd., Shoreham-by-Sea. (1827)

SALE or exchange Yorkshire Canaries for good full sized blankets, curtains, or sell £3; 28 birds, nearly half cocks: J. Offord, 5, Ashbourne-grove, Hunslet, Leeds. (1829)

EXHIBITION field moulted Greenfinch, 2nd Bedford, 3/6; house moulted Bramble, 1/6; approval, wanted, muling hens: Brewer, Sandhurst-place, Bedford. (1825)

LARGE coloured Norwich, own breeding; cocks in song, 5/6 to 7/6, pairs 7/6 to 12/6; exchange anything useful; approval anywhere: H. Batty, 25, Pearl-st., Starbeck, Harrogate. (1825)

NOTICE. Will give good exchange in Yorkshire, Norwich, and Border show cages for Canaries or Mules, Goldfinches, or Bullfinches, or Foreign birds: McKend, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1791)

EXCHANGE two good Yorkshire cocks, 1913, yellow and buff, for good black or liver and white Spanish dog or bitch, 12 months old, or sell 15/- each; mutual approval: Robert Elliott, Diamond-terrace, Butterknowle, Co. Durham. (1822)

Mainly Foreign.

TALKING Amazon Parrot, with cage, 42/-; exchange poultry: 85, Berwick-st., Liverpool. (1824)

Miscellaneous.

HANDSOME full-grown shell ducks, 2/-; exchange poultry offers: Alfred Jackson, Askam-in-Furness. (1823)

TAMLIN'S 60-egg incubator; exchange Grey Parrot or offer: Walker, Bootmaker, 63, Binglefield-st., King's Cross. (1814)

EXCHANGE brand new boots, lady's, gent's, for male dogs or puppies: Manager, Furniture Stores, Totton. (1813)

LARGE square cage and Grey-red Parrot, 25/-; exchange small Pom. dog: Majes, 73, Ebenezer-st., Langley Mill. (1823)

WHAT offers in bedding or household goods for 10 pair of Yorkshires and Norwich: Batten, Rosevear-rd., Penzance. (1824)

EXCHANGE No. 3 bore gun for pair of Canaries, or offers, yours first: Goodman, Edgar-rd., Yiewsley, Middlesex. (1826)

WANTED, a good motor-cycle lamp, will give good exchange in Norwich Plainheads or Crests: Clyne, Moray-st., Wick. (1821)

PAIR Dutch rabbits with 4 young; pair Bantams; exchange birds, anything: Gilbert, 42, High-st., Wells, Somerset. (1827)

GOOD spotted Dalmatian bitch, sell 25/-, exchange to 30/- Foreign: J. Stables, 12, South Market-st., Hecton, Durham. (1826)

EXCHANGE good set of boxing gloves for British birds or whippet, sell 7/6: Glithro Bros., Yaxley, Peterborough. (1826)

WANTED, in exchange for Canaries, violin or concertina; stamp for reply: D. Bamber, No. 22, Grove-st., Preston. (1827)

EXCHANGE claret, four yards long, for net traps, offers anything useful: Davison, Crow's Nest, Haddenham, Bucks. (1823)

IN aviary since January, one cock, two hen Chaffinches, one Greenfinch: Steele, 23, Park-place, Hulme, Manchester. (1825)

ROLLER cock, hanging cage, greenheart fly rod; exchange for breech-loading gun, or sell: Girdle, Longnor, Shrewsbury. (1821)

GIVE Sibs and British, can win, and cash, good overcoat, Burberry, other good make, 41in. chest: 19, Donald-st., Cardiff. (1825)

NEW gramophone, Appollo make, 25/-, or exchange English concertina, or anything useful: Seale, 27, Tatton-st., Salford. (1827)

EXCHANGE blue-white Collie dog, for centre fire revolver or double breccers.—Bownes, Park-lane, Richards Castle, Ludlow. (1823)

LARGE cage, 1 cock, 3 hens, Norwich, lot 12/-, worth double; exchange pullets: Mrs. Calcott, Station-rd., Langley Mill. (1823)

EXCHANGE Bantams; 1 cock, 2 hens, for good cock Goldie or cock Greypates: Rutherford, Kiln Hill, Tweedmouth, Berwick. (1827)

YORKSHIRE Toy dog puppy, 10 weeks, 25/-, or exchange poultry, Canaries, or anything useful: Smith, Lower Green, Tipton. (1825)

WILL clean and repair watches, clocks, return them carriage paid in exchange for Canaries: Gardner, 10, Withipoll, Ipswich. (1825)

CYCLE tyre (wired), 26 x 1 1/2, good make, toolbag, spanners, levers, bell, celluloid pump; what offers: Mills, 34, Sutton-rd., Wallasey. (1822)

WANTED, clap nets or birds, will exchange No. 1 Sa'oon Rifle, or gent's silver watch: Taylor, 12, Corporation-st., Merthyr Tydvil. (1826)

WANTED, Canaries or Mules, will exchange pair of military regulation field glasses and case: Taylor, 12, Corporation-st., Merthyr. (1826)

WANTED Canaries, exchange Dutch-marked and Tortoise Cavies, lovely pens, or sell cheap: Honeyman, Butcher, Barrow-in-Furness. (1824)

EXCHANGE lady's wristlet watch, also lady's gold ring, for cage birds: A. Hawkins, 5, Model Cottages, Penyard, Merthyr Tydvil. (1826)

EXCHANGE cycle, Dunlop tyres, Bowden brake, complete, for young cocks, sell £2: F. Fry, Hope-toun House, St. Werburghs, Bristol. (1821)

WANTED cages or fine mesh netting, give 2 grand pairs of turbits, value 10/- pair; mutual approval: Moorings, Twingle Villa, Dunstable. (1824)

EXCHANGE a Calmet's Bible Dictionary with illustrations, for Goldie or cock Canary; approval: J. Hamilton, Queen-st., Kilmarnock. (1826)

WANTED, scrap brass, copper, block tin, in exchange for winning Yorks. or Norwich: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1829)

EIGHT pure bred Silver Campines, cockerels, 4s. each, or 30s. the lot; exchange gun or cutlery: Lines, Laundry, Cruckton, Shrewsbury. (1824)

FIELD glasses in sling case, 15/-; approval; exchange cock Mules, Canaries, Goldfinches, etc.: Traveller, 25, Glendish-rd., Tottenham. (1828)

SIX good Greypates, cocks, sell 10/-; exchange doll's pram or cycle cover, anything: Shepherd, 46, High-st., Old Fletton, Peterborough. (1826)

THREE show homer cocks, rung, 18/-, exchange Yorkshires, Border show cages, 10in. records: Brooker, 15, Frome-terrace, Dorchester. (1825)

DOZEN punch bar cage fronts, dozen seed hoppers, and 12 glass drinkers; exchange birds, anything: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Workop, Notts. (1824)

FOUR 1914 May-batched Fox-combed Ancona pullets, Eadson's; exchange Canaries, anything, value 15/-: Brown, 3, Nora-st., Barrowford, Nelson. (1822)

EXCHANGE double breeder and single, 4 hen Canaries, 1 cock Goldfinch, 1 cock Linnet, for watch, anything useful: 36, Coombe-st., Burton. (1824)

GOOD Canaries cheap, or exchange drapery, specially Flannel, Flannelette, Calico, Wincey, for undergarments: Evans, 39, Easton-st., High Wycombe. (1824)

MEN'S splendid overcoats, equal to new, from 10/6 each; exchange for birds; state wants; stamp reply: Jopson, 18, Elmswood-avenue, Moss-side, Manchester. (1823)

EXCHANGE good pair of football boots, size 7, cost 7/6, and good football, cost 9/6, both nearly new, for unlighted Yorkshire hens: England, 7, Huish, Yeovil. (1824)

BEDLINGTON dog, 2 1/2 years, sell 10/-, or exchange Roller cock Canary; 6 homing pigeons, sell 2/- pair, or exchange Roller cock: Hy. Liddle, Cockfield, Durham. (1823)

SELL or exchange 3 pairs of prize-bred Norwich, C.F.B.L. rung, for gent's cycle, must be in good condition: J. H. Welch, 13, Devonshire-rd., Chorley, Lancs. (1823)

EXCHANGE good pedigree Irish bitch, proved in whelp, 20/-, or would exchange Nor. or Borders: William Ryles Kirk, No. 10, Sharkeys-yard, Old Kirkby. (1825)

BORNLESS gramophone and records, 35/-, cost £4 10/-; lockstitch sewing machine, perfect worker, 30/-; exchange, offers: Fern, 421, Portobello-rd., London. (1822)

HUGE Buff Orpington cockerel, exchange large cock Greypates or large yellow unlighted Norwich hens; approval; yours first: Knaggs, Westgate, Guisbrough. (1828)

EXCHANGE new cage, make good flight, 36in. long, 21in. high, 11in. deep, value 10/-, for big yellow Norwich cock: Huxtable, Carrington-terrace, Barnstable. (1826)

BRASS phonograph horn, 30-inch, with stand, will exchange for Roller Canary in song; approval, or anything useful; what offers: T. Browne, 7, Park-st., Camberley. (1824)

WANTED, birds and cash; exchange 1/2 plate No. 1 folding Kito camera, as new, all accessories, 30/-, cost double, approval: Rowsell, Horncliffe Lodge, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1827)

EXCHANGE for modern pram in good condition, Columbia Regal Gramophone with mahogany horn, 25 records, new; sell £4 10/-: Wynne, Decorator, Boothstown, Manchester. (1825)

BARGAINS, 5 cages, 5/-; flight cage, 7/6; or the lot, 10/-; photo accessories and cameras cheap; harmonium, 30/-, or exchange for Canaries: Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridwater. (1821)

WANTED, a good violin, bow, and case, also fretwork outfit; will give splendid value in Border Fancy or Norwich Canaries: Young, 177, Wharton-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1827)

WILL exchange gent's silver Hunter watch, quite new, perfect timekeeper, accept £1, or exchange pullets or Canaries; approval both ways: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithbridge, Lancs. (1829)

EXCHANGE,—Am compelled to clear all my stock of high-class Rollers, Randall's strain; last season's winners; cocks, 10/6; hens, 3/-; exchange sheets, blankets, curtains, cigars, gent's cycle, 2 or 3 speed, new condition: Morrison, 46, Charley-rd., Blackpool. (1811)

2 WORDS id. THROUGHOUT

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PURE half-cross Bull-Airedale pups, 9 weeks, large heads on stout bone, make game protectors; parents face stick; dogs, 8/-; bitch, 6/-; exchange Canaries: Wilshire, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1824)

WILL exchange 13ft. fishing rod, reel, line, artificial minnow, cost 16/-, for up-to-date cycle gas lamp, approval both ways, yours first, only a good one accepted: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (1827)

BARGAIN, 12-bore central fire single barreled ejector gun, as new, cost £5, latest improvements, sell £2, or exchange Canaries or Mules, or offers, value 45/-; approval: Walters, 40, Greyhound-rd., Kensal Rise, London. (1824)

WILL give good value in hoots, shoes, clothing, cutlery, jewellery, cycle tyres, household goods, etc., in exchange for birds, toy dogs, or other livestock; stamp reply: Cooper's Exchange Stores, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1823)

GENT'S solid silver, new English lever watch, capped, fully jewelled, correct time-keeper, sell 20/-, cost 4 guineas; exchange Canaries, Goldfinches or Mules, on approval both ways: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (1826)

EXHIBITORS, pied cock Wagtail, extra good, 2/6; grand dark cock Linnet, good whites, 1/6; yellow Wagtail cock, specially selected, 5/6; fine cock yellow Bunting, should win 2/-; offers lot or separate: Vernon, 208, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1829)

GRAMOPHONE, 18 records, gent's silver lever watch, pair hair clippers, new carriage whip, also rabbits and Bantams, athletic, brown hand-bag; sell cheap; exchange Parrot, Pom, Yorkshire: Aston, 11, Park-lane, East Tipton. (1826)

EXCHANGE household goods, winter hoots, and clothing, watches, cycle tyres, and all kinds of articles for livestock of any description; deal only with a reliable firm with honest reputation: Jopson's Exchange Stores, Juno-st., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1827)

JOINER-MADE rack and a quantity of cages, all clean; good pedigree chocolate Pom. bitch, no white, due season; sell or exchange young cock Canaries, good white lead, turpentine methylated spirits, or anything useful; stamp reply: Hopkins, 40, Walnut-st., Blackburn. (1824)

ANGORA doe, all white, in kindle for singing cock Canary, or what offer, sale or exchange; Ring-necked Parakeet, 14/-, and new cage, cost 6/6; and sale, Rose-breasted Cockatoo and cage, 20/-, or what offer: Mr. George Larmouth, Phillipson's-buildings, Flint Hill, Dipton, Co. Durham. (1824)

EXCHANGE three cocks, Roller and Norwich crossed, 5/6 each; one Crested cock and one Crested, 6/6 each; one cock Goldfinch, twice house-moulted, 5/6; one cock Linnet, twice house-moulted, 3/6; 7-inch Yorkshires, from 7/6 up; automatic knitting machine and fittings, in good order, £2 10/-; exchange watches, bed linen, or anything useful: Moss, 45, Commercial-st., Langhenydd, near Caerphilly, South Wales. Approval; yours first. (1824)

UNDERWOOD'S REAL ARMY BOOTS. 2/6, 4/-, 4/6; newly repaired, suitable for heavy work, also champion box-calf boots and shoes, lady's 2/9, gent's 3/6, bird's 2/6, boy's 2/9, youth's 5/-, all sizes, carriage paid. **UNDERWOOD, 36, York-st., Hulme, MANCHESTER.**

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

SHOPKEEPERS, send for my wholesale price list of packet bird seeds, cage fronts, cages, pottery, glass, tinware, etc.: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton. (1826)

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CHAMPIONS; 12 exceptionally long-haired self cavies; cheap; removal: K., 296, King-st., Hammersmith. (1826)

YOUNG smooth-coated sow, in pig, also boar, ready for use, 1/3 each, 2/- the pair: Longbottom, Wisbech. (1826)

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LOVELY Persian Kittens, all colours, from 3/6; also adults: Pearson, Greenwich. (1817)

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TWO good bitch Ferrets, true workers, 5/6 each, as I have no further use for them: Wm. Roper, 109, South-st., Keighley. (1825)

45 SPLENDID Ferrets, good workers guaranteed, 4/6; 25 excellent ones, ready to work, 3/6; 15 younger 3/-; 10 days' approval: Wannop, Short-st., Carlisle. (1827)

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WANTED young pedigree dog, also puppies cheap: Dutton, Dunstable. (1823)

WHAT offers, cash or exchange, for extraordinary sharp yard dog, fear nothing, 18 months old: Wilbee, Marnhull. (1823)

SALE good black nigger curly Retriever bitch, 15/-, or exchange Yorkshire bitch: White, 20, Douglas-st., Newtown, Wigan. (1822)

TWO handsome Toy chocolate female Pomeranian puppies, good pedigrees, 20/- each: C. Cannon, Surbiton House, Deeping, Lincs. (1825)

TWO powerful Bull-Airedale dog puppies, seven weeks, 7/6 each; bitch, 5/6; make demon guards: Barlow, Tobacconist, Greenwich. (1828)

WANTED, all kinds of pure bred dogs, also litters of pure and crossbred puppies for prompt cash: Harris, High-st., Yiewsley. (1826)

FOUR handsome pure Whippet puppies, from champion parents, make demon rabbit coarsers; dogs 6/-, bitch 5/-, worth double: Parr, Middle-st., Notts. (1824)

LOVELY Cocker Spaniel (bitch) puppy, eight weeks, 10/6; Irish Terrier (dog), 4 1/2 months, 7/6; or exchange: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1823)

LARGE cross-bred Airedale Irish puppies, 2 months, make splendid companions and guards; very strong and healthy, dogs 10/6, bitches 5/6: Stephens, West Drayton. (1823)

WHITE Bull bitch, 18 months, show specimen, with the highest pedigree, grand guard, used to outside kennel, 30/-, or exchange pullets: Stephens, West Drayton. (1823)

COLLIE pup, tricolour, champion pedigree, 4 months, make winter; owing to war, must sell: Miss Thomas, Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1825)

NOTICE,—Almost any variety, pure breed dogs and puppies can be had at low prices and easy payments taken; state wants: McKend, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

TWO very good Scotch Terrier bitches, one 18 months old, 10/-, one, 16 months, 1st prize winner, 41; pedigree lost; or exchange, approval: Bert Onions, Upper Rushall-st., Walsall. (1826)

LARGE massive Bull-Airedale dog, 17 months, straight, smart, game as tiger, water carry, quiet when loose, tremendous bark, suit lonely place, 15/-: Wilshaw, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham.

"PURE half-cross Bull-Airedale pups, 9 weeks, large heads, on stout bone, make game protectors; parents face stick; dogs, 8/-, bitch 6/-; exchange Canaries: Wilshaw, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1829)

DOG collars, best hridge leather, brass studs, name and address on, 1/4; plates only, names and addresses, 7d.; chains, 1/-; worm powders, 8d.; mange cure, 7d. tin; post free: Young Netmaker, Crewkerne, Somerset. (1703)

POMERANIANS, 3 sable puppies, 7 months, small and good, dark-shaded dog, 35/-; wolf-shaded bitch, 25/-; very light bitch, 25/-, or £3 10/- lot; exchange prismatic glasses, or good gramophone: Frost, 13, Fairlawn-avenue, Chiswick, London.

EXQUISITE chocolate Toy Pomeranian, 11 weeks, by Clevely Imp ex the winning bitch Colley Cherry, good in all points, 3 guineas; lovely Pekingese dog, 8 months, particolour, tremendous coat, good points, 50/-: Miles, Aviaries, Chichester. (1828)

"CARE of the Dog," Nutshell No. 32, is now ready. Every one who keeps a dog will find this little booklet of great use. It treats on feeding, housing, exercising, diseases, varieties, medicines, rearing, washing, grooming, etc. Price 2d. from any of our Nutshell agents, a list of whom are published on page 4, or 21d., post free, from "Cage Birds," 164, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

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SPLENDID tame bushy-tailed Dormice, 2/- pair: Alfred Spicer, 392, Chesham, Bucks.

PAIR tame Japanese Mice and cage, 1/-; Dormice 2/6 pair: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne.

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YOUNG Jay, hand-reared, 3/6; exchange Bullfinches: Phair, Alresford. (1838)
COCK Blackbirds, 8/- dozen: F. Stowe, Blackburn King, Cornwall, Chipping Norton. (1837)
COCK Larks, large birds, 2/6 doz.: J. Rimmer, 81, Shellfield-rd., Marshside, Southampton. (1838)
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LARKS, Larks; grand cock Larks, 2/3 doz.; can supply weekly: G. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (1837)
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HANDSOME young cock Brook Thrush, just commencing to sing nicely, 2/-; also a really good cock Skylark, 1/6; Vernum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham.
COCK Thrushes, 3/- half-dozen; selected, 1/- each: William Wright, 54, Shellfield-rd., Marshside, Southampton. (1836)
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LOUDEST cock Skylark ever heard, been caged 12 months, 1/-; also a hand-reared young cock, 9d.; approval: George Holt, Dunstable, Beds. (1840)
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THOSE requiring a genuine singing cock Skylark cheap, on approval, send me your address; will send immediately: Mrs. Dutton, Dunstable. (1823)
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WANTED, hen Sparrowhawk, flights unbroken; hen Waxwing; Teschemaker, Kingmore, Teignmouth. (1837)
COCK Goldfinches, 1/6 each; hens, 6d.; cock Larks, 1/6 per dozen; Linnets, 2/6; or exchange: R. Fenn, The Pitts, Isleham, Cambs. (1843)
DEVONSHIRE Woodlarks, warranted cocks, 2/6; three, 7/-; six, 12/-; as caught, 16/- dozen; smart cock Linnets, four 1/6; approval: Squire, 2, Diamond-rd., Exeter. (1839)
LINNETS, Redbreasted Cambridge cocks, warranted 2/6 doz.; large picked birds, 3/- doz.; cock Goldfinches, 1/3 each; one dozen mixed birds, including cock Goldfinch, 2/6; Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (1842)
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Beautiful singing cock Linnets, no better obtainable, 1/- each, with new cage 2/6; a few for the bench, 2/-; these birds are large, with good colour and markings, Norwich type; real English Peartree cock Goldfinches, 2/6; some extra large, with good colour, real topper for the bench, 3/6, 4/6; Roller Canaries, cocks, guaranteed singing, from 7/6; those requiring high-class Norwich or Yorkshires, stock or show birds, should send to me; same strain as my winners at all leading shows: W. Johnson, The Bird Expert and Emporium, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1828)

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NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)
CLASS Borders, gentleman's winning stock, beauties; pairs, 8/6, 12/6, 15/-; exchange large Norwich: Dawson, 155, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1836)
NICE youngsters, cheap; immediate disposal; clears and marks, from marked strains; state wants now: Livingstone, Rutherglen. (See Norwich) (1842)
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EXHIBITION Borders for sale, about 30 yellows and buffs, from 7/6 a pair; giving up; or sell one lot; approval: Johnson, 33, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (1835)
SCOTLAND'S cup-winning Borders, five pairs for mark breedings, won everywhere in Scotland; I am removing: David Henderson, East Lawrence-st., Buchhaven. (1839)
CHAMPION Borders.—The following can win in best company buff cock, two buff hens, uneven buff cock, 25/- each; others reasonable; appro.; stamp: Jenkins, 71, Argyle-st., Swansea. (1835)
BORDERS.—Giving up, some fine birds yet to dispose of; pairs from 7/-, worth double; four exhibition cocks, from 10/-; three buffs, one yellow; approval; stamp: R. Aitken, Sec., 30, Allison-st., Ayr. (1837)
CHAMPION Borders; removing next month; must reduce my stock; all varieties at reduced prices; related to my winners at leading shows; see Liverpool report; approval: John Nicholson, Westgate, Haltwhistle. (1843)
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Cinnamons.

YELLOW and buff cocks and hens, from 10/-; buff cock, winner, 40/-: Harry Mills, 96, Junction-rd., Northampton. (1838)
CINNAMON Green hen, 5/-; Yellow Cinnamon hen, 4/6; Buff, 5/-; all large, splendid stock birds: A. Fletcher, Sedgfield. (1839)
E. GODLEY, Knowles-st., Rishton, Blackburn, has for sale cinnamons and Norwich Plainheads, single or pairs; stamp, approval. (1823)
PAIR Cinnamons, green cock, buff hen, 13/6; 2 young Goldfinch Mules, 4/6; Pearce, 64, Coleman-rd., Camberwell, London. (1840)

Crests and Crestbreds.

FOR sale, few grand young Crests and Crestbreds, state price: George Dobson, 103, James-st., Blyndon-on-Tyne. (1834)
TWO pairs Crests, h.m. Linnet, hen Canary, 25/- lot, or separate; a bargain: Perry, Gresham-rd., Edgware. (1839)
MY champion Crests and Crestbreds ready for early shows, cheap: C. Roberts, Staunhaey, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1815)
W. GUTTERIDGE has a fine lot of Crests, Crestbreds for sale cheap, or exchange: Grocer, St. Margarets-on-Thames. (1836)
DEALERS.—Twenty Crest and Crestbred and Lancashires to dispose of, one lot, cocks and hens: Ind, Cotham, Bristol. (1836)
NOTICE.—Grand lot Crests and Crestbreds, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)
T. J. KING, Incego, Cheltenham, has grand show birds and excellent stock birds, over moult, yellows and buffs; inspection invited. (1804)
1913 and **1914** CRESTS and Crestbreds for sale, cheap, large birds, stock or show: Walker, 6, Lambert-terrace, Aberdare, Wales. (1837)
SEVERAL Crests and Crestbreds, reasonable, 1911 rung; approval, deposit; stamp, reply: Hardy, Stubley Mill, Littleborough, Manchester. (1824)
MONSTER Crested cock, 1913, can win if shown, 4/-; young Crested cock, 12/6; Norwich cock, 7/6; exchange for Bullies: Tullett, 33, Sun-st., Brighton. (1841)
HIGH-CLASS Crests, very large, best strain in England, 35 years breeder, many good winners sold; cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)
HARRY MILLS, 96, Junction-rd., Northampton; wing-marked Crested cock, three Dark Crested hens, all 1914 rung, bred from show birds, 50/- four; room wanted; several show and stock for sale; state wants; approval. (1838)

CRESTS and Crestbreds from 10/-; Yorkshire cocks from 7/6; two Buff Norwich hens, 7/6 each; exchanges considered: G. Mills, 10, Manton-rd., Irthlingborough. (1842)
BRADLEY AND SON, very large, best strain in England, have a few good birds for sale from 15/- upwards; cash or deposit: 193, Dale-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1843)
EVINS BROTHERS, a grand lot of Crests and Crestbreds to be sold at bargain prices; this champion strain has been at the top for years; enquiries invited; approval: 259, High-st., Exeter.

Lizards.

ALL my Lizards for sale, best blood obtainable, including winners at Bradford, 1913; 5 Golds, 5 Silvers, from 6/- to 15/- per bird, taking the lot will accept £5: Taylor, Grocer, Parliament-st., Burnley. (1832)

Greens.

GREEN Yorkshires from prize stock; reasonable prices: Salter, Nevill-st., Abergavenny. (1835)
STOCK and show birds, from my celebrated winners, holders of the G.C.A. cup; inspection invited; prices reasonable: Metcalfe, GS, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.
I have some good Yorkshire and Norwich Greens for sale at reasonable prices, for show or stock purposes; winner at all leading shows; see Liverpool report; home all week-ends: F. Handley, 23, Coventry-rd., Waverley, Liverpool. (1836)
NORWICH and Yorkshire Greens, of type and quality; how to breed these; see "Nutshell No. 24," "The Green Canary," 2d., post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. (Call on our agents and get it for 2d.; see list on another page.)

Lancashires.

YELLOW Plainhead hen, 12/6; buff ditto, 10/-; buff Plainhead cock, 10/-; buff copy cock, 17/6; all 1914 bred; two buff copy hens, 15/-, 25/-; yellow Plainhead hen, 15/-; buff Plainhead cock, 25/-; approval; stamp reply: Adams, 19, Bedford-st., Rochdale. (1839)

Belgians.

A few Belgian Canaries, pure bred, suitable for crossing with Yorkshires: Salter, Nevill-st., Abergavenny. (1835)

Norwich.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

J. C. BARNES, Norwich and Yorkshire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strains. Better blood unobtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.
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J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of diplomas of honour, silver cups and medals, etc.; some fine birds ready at prices to suit all; approval; stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Lukes, London, E.C.
FRANK F. LAWSON, Norwich Specialist, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle.—Grand lot of young birds for sale, also fine big year-old cocks and hens, fit to win; stamped inquiries solicited. (1824)
NORWICH hen Canaries, 2/6 and 3/- each: Mrs. Osborne, Woolton Hill, Newbury. (1835)
GOOD novice Norwich, 1913 and 1914, fit for show, reasonable prices: Turrell, 3, Pilkington-rd., Peckham.
NORWICH Plainhead exhibition Cocks, unflighted, fed, 15/-, 21/-; Girling, Harford-st., Norwich. (1843)
PRIZE-BRED cocks, from 6/6; hens from 3/6; state wants: F. J. Lacochee, 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (1824)
GOOD Norwich cocks, colour-fed, 1914, on song, 4/6, 5/6, and 7/6: Hodson, 89, Dacy-rd., Liverpool. (1830)
REV. C. GAUL can spare few well-bred Norwich, prices very moderate: 61, Higher Ardwick, Manchester. (1832)
FOUR Norwich hen Canaries for double-reef melodeon; or sell 14/-: R. Black, 28, High-st., Irvine, Ayrshire. (1839)
GIVING up: 4 Norwich hens, 3 proved Mules, 1 unflighted, cheap to clear: 34, Christchurch-rd., Southend. (1842)
NORWICH Plainheads, a few stock pairs, plenty of size; try one on approval: Henderson, 37, Grant-st., Wick. (1832)
MASSIVE ticked buff stock cock, 1913 bird, £1 deposit: Irving Marlow, Ivanhoe House, Doshoro, Northants. (1828)
1914 NORWICH Cocks, started singing, from 5/-, and two hens, 2/6 each: Mr. A. C. Hatch, 132, Ber-st., Norwich. (1834)
NORWICH, guaranteed cocks, singing, 7/6; prize parents, large birds; hens, 2/6: King, 90, High-st., Walthamstow. (1832)
FOR sale, six Norwich hens, two cocks, yellow and buff, two Goldfinch Mules; offers: MacCulllen, Tarnbert, Lochyne. (1834)
TWO clear buff hens, 1913, large birds, 2 clear yellow cocks, full song: Walker, 6, Lambert terrace, Aberdare, Wales. (1837)
NORWICH, young cocks and hens, prices reasonable: Binks, 18G, Peabody Dwellings, Farringdon-rd., London, E.C. (1840)
GRAND ticked buff hen, winner, 25/-; also some good cocks from 7/6 upwards: Burdett, Todd-st., Wingate, Durham. (1830)
BUFF cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 5/- upwards; large birds, fed, 1914; approval: Dyson, 25, Wyndham-rd., Salisbury. (1822)
HENS, 3/6; variegated, 5/-, 1913, or exchange birds; what offers; approval; letters: S. Large, 58, Sprules-rd., Brockley. (1835)
SEIZE opportunities during the lifetime of those opportunities, show or stock, write now: Allsop, 40, Beda-rd., Cardiff. (1834)
MUST clear 30 Norwich and Borders, good stock; natural fed; all colours; cheap: Livingstone, 230, Main-st., Rutherglen. (1842)
HANDSOME pair of young variegated, 7/6 pair; 1913 buff hen, yellow cock, 12/6, colour fed: 1-herwood, Leamhills, Mold. (1835)
ABOUT 12 yellow Norwich for sale; cocks from 10/-, hens from 5/-; well-known strain; giving up; approval: Johnson, 33, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (1838)

MUST sell, 40 Norwich, some winners, and ready for show, and cages, in one lot or single: Fleet, 16, Kings-rd., Upton Park. (1826)

A FEW well-bred Norwich for disposal, cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/6, 4/6; H. Burchell, 2, High-nd., Chadwell Heath, Essex. (1834)

UNFLIGHTED yellow cocks and hens, a few for disposal, 7/6 to 12/6: Wm. E. Sykes, 39, Moscow-rd., Edgely, Stockport. (1830)

THIRTY Norwich for sale, single or pairs; inspection invited: Apply, H. Marshall, 41, Truman-st., Hucknall Torkard, Notts. (1834)

NORWICH, 1914, fit for show, also Borders, very low prices; call or approval: Davidson, Clydesdale House, Mossend, Scotland. (1837)

SEVERAL large variegated Norwich hens, grand heads, colour-fed, 5/- each; inspection invited: Parkinson, 55, Hodder-st., Ayrington. (1835)

NOTICE—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKend, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

TYPICAL Norwich cocks, good songsters, 5/6; hens, 1/6; pairs, 0/6 upwards: Thompson, Confectioner, 63, Wellington-st., Luton. (1839)

LARGE clear yellow Norwich cock, 1913 bred, can win, 60/-; others cheap; approval: C. Roberts, Stannaway, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1838)

NORWICH cocks, this year bred, grand singing strain, 5/6 each; reliable feeding hens, 2/6: W. Stevenson, 3, Ashforth-st., Nottingham. (1835)

SIX pairs beautiful Norwich Canaries, inspection invited by appointment; 36/-, or would separate: Hobbs, 21, Ashburnham-rd., Greenwich. (1824)

WHAT offers for five 1913 Norwich hens, good feeders, also four 1914; sell or exchange; no live stock: Ruler, Stockbury, Sittingbourne. (1832)

MR. ECKERLEY has a few really good birds about ready that he can spare, prices from 10/-: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1835)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large Bullfinch type, 1914, bred from winners; pairs from 12/6; state wants; approval: Clarke, 69, Felixstowe, Ipswich. (1841)

CLEAR yellow hen, great size, fine type, beautiful feather, won silver bowl, Elgin Christmas show, bargain, 40/-: George Baxter, Highfield, Fochabers, N.B. (1841)

GOOD Norwich; 32 colour-fed cocks and hens; will take 44 15/- for lot to clear; call any time; no postcards: Mrs. Clemence, 151, Lordship-lane, East Dulwich. (1842)

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YORKSHIRES, cocks 6/-, hens 3/-; matched pairs, 8/6 upwards; cash or deposit: Adams, 65, Leeds-rd., Ilkley, Yorks. (1834)

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NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKend, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

WHOLESALE, can supply dealers with colour-fed Yorkshires, very cheap; state wants: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-nd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1833)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, for exhibition, or song, cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-; approval: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1842)

CLINKING exhibition Yorkshires, show or stock birds, from 10/6; state wants to C. Roberts, Stannaway, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1838)

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CHAMPION winning Yorkshires, 1913: yellow cock, 25/-; buff cock, 15/-; 1914 buff cock, 25/-; buff hen, 17/6; buff cock, 15/-; all fit for exhibition; large stock birds, cocks 7/6, hens 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1842)

TYPICAL Yorkshires,—1913 clear buff cock, 10/6; ditto, 12/6; unflighted ditto, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; slim clear yellow, 12/6; unflighted ditto 10/-; 1913 clear yellow hen, 10/-; 7in. Cinnamon marked; buff hen, 15/2, 6/6; grand condition and quality; approval, deposit: Drew, 15, Dudley-st., Bricks Bar, Manchester. (1839)

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The Shows.

LONDON & PROVINCIAL O.S.

Held in the Lambeth Baths Oct. 28 and 29 this show proved quite a success. The entries, considering the depression of war time, were splendid, numbering over 400. Quality was really first-class all through. In the Norwich classes there were some exhibits which were quite equal to top form, and this was the case, he it noted with pleasure, in the Novice classes. In the Crest classes there were some splendid exhibits. Yorkshires made a fine collection, there being birds of all quality, many of them likely to be heard of again. Considering the "dampier" that has been pressed down upon all our fanciers it was pleasing that such an array of beautiful specimens could be brought together. Borders and the varieties were well presented, and British and Foreign birds were not to be denied. Of course, this may have been expected, for the L. and P.O.S. do not do things by halves. Their list of specials and their interest and management are always a guarantee that exhibitors will rally to the standard. Mr. Geo. Crabb, the time-honoured president, notwithstanding his weak health—now, we are happy to state somewhat materially recuperated—was present, taking a deep interest in the show. The old faces were conspicuous, such as Messrs. T. Heath, J. W. Ramsden, J. Frostick and many another. The Committee one and all did their utmost. The ladies, including that indefatigable worker Madame Madewell, added grace to the proceedings, and the advantages of a fine show room gave completeness to the whole. These notes would not be complete without a reference to the hon. sec., Mr. C. W. Law, whose efforts for the welfare of the society and its shows are recognised by the whole of the members. To keep up the patriotic element of the proceedings several gentlemen, Belgian refugees, attended the show during the opening afternoon, and took an intelligent and delighted interest in the proceedings. By the time this report reaches the reader a prize money list have been paid to the successful exhibitors. A special word of praise must be accorded to Messrs. Day, Harris, Huggins, Geo. Ramsden, J. Oldaker, R. J. Pretty, and several others who assisted in the staging and care of the exhibits.

The judges were: Nor., Mr. J. Hodder; other Canaries, Mr. T. Heath; Mules and Brit., Mr. A. Silver; For. and Novice, Mules, and Brit., Mr. H. J. Fulljames.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (12): 1, Salt-r, grand head and neck, a lovely bird, clean all through, clean chest, tkd. on thigh, good stand, a raker; 2, Green, not quite the build of the winner, but thick in body, not so clean at chest; 3, Fairman, not quite the length behind; vhc, Buckingham; he, Hall; c, Clarke. **BUFF. (13):** 1, Salter, very sweet, clean boxed up, not a feather avar, clean chest, good neck, a nice one; 2, Green, not quite so classy, but makes a good second; 3, Fairman, nice length, qual., and head; vhc, Buckingham; he, Hall; c, Clarke. **MKD. OR VARIEG. (1):** Fairman, varieg. yell., good head and neck, not quite nice behind, but a grand bird; 2, Hall, buff, grand qual. of feather, rare style, well plumed out; 3, Green, varieg. buff, lovely feather, nice whip; vhc, Kent; he, Fairman; c, Jones. **HENS (13):** 1, Fairman, lovely little creature, clean cut all the way, nice whip tail, buff; 2, Clarke, yell., stouter, but grand qual.; 3, Hall, buff, very nice pose, well tucked up, hardly the flow of leader; 4, Buckingham, bonny hen, nicely moulded, we liked much; vhc, Buckingham; he, Fairman; c, Scrudder. **YORKS. UNFLIG. (19):** 1, 2, Clarke, buff and yell., leader grand style, 2nd grand style and col., little to choose; 3, Green, cinn. varieg., very smart, lovely stern, an dnice whip, fails a trifle at chest, but grand pose; 4, Whitmore, buff, nicely folded; vhc, Bullen; he, Ayers; c, Hall. **CRESTS (8):** 1, Smith, cl. body, with the dark feather trifle far down the neck, lovely vein, grand frontal, lovely length of crest feather, centre close and well filled, a grand bird, all over a winner; 2, Slade, varieg., bit loose in body feather, nice head; 3, Oldaker, varieg., veiny crest, in per. a nice one; vhc, c, Slade; he, Day. **C.B. (6):** 1, Smith, nearly green, rare skull and lash, wide entrance, long in head feather; 2, Slade, gold tailed green, just loses in width of skull and density of head feather; vhc, Slade; he, c, Day. **BORD., CINN. OR GR. (4):** 1, 2, vhc, Ramsden, all emms., a very smart bird, yell. winning, with another of the same ilk close up. **A.O.V. (4):** 1, Oldaker, yell. cinn., sound col.; 2, Crabb, Lancashire Plainhead, fails a trifle in skull; vhc, he, Pretty. **NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (11):** 1, Neighbour, good length, nicely folded, clean thighs, very neat; 2, Bailey, not quite the length, grand. qual.; 3, Andrews, very nice style, good qual., nice front, one side of tail not at full; vhc, Everett; he, Johnston; c, Sanders. **BUFF (11):** 1, Neighbour, very nervy, rare quality, nice on leg; 2, Potter, very sweet, lovely feather and style, well on the leg; 3, Everett, grand length and style, nice front; vhc, Bonniwell; he, Andrews; c, Aulmann. **MKD. OR VARIEG. (9):** 1, Andrews, varieg. buff, grand all through, lovely feather, sweetly pretty action; 2, Bonniwell, trifle more lengthy, but not quite so nervy, well proportioned; 3, Taylor, yell., well on leg, rare qual.; vhc, Huggins; he, Sanders; c, Andrews. **HENS (17):** 1, 2, Sanders, buff, lovely style, true Yorkies, full of qual. and nerve; 3, Bonniwell, rare style, lovely qual., well on leg, bit soiled, which probably kept it back; vhc, Potter; he, Gilbert; c, Bonniwell. **UNFLIG. (26):** grand class; 1, Huggins, yell., full of life, lovely stand and col., well on leg, a nice one; 2, Taylor, buff, not quite so finely drawn, but rare style; 3, Bamber, buff, very sweet, cleaner at thighs, hardly so long a bird; 4, Potter, yell., stylish; vhc, John on; he, Bonniwell. **CRESTS (5):** 1, Smith, one of the old-fashioned clear crests, small but very neat; 2, Rhodes, varieg., inclined to shield shape; vhc, Ward; he, Rhodes. **BORD., CL. OR MKD. YELL. (8):** 1, Kybert, very dainty, rare qual., nice wings; 2, Gosling, quite as good, we liked much; 3, Snock, pretty, hardly so well proportioned; vhc, Last; he, Humphreys; c, Hurlinson. **BUFF (12):** 1, Hutton, very sweet bird, a real Border; 2, La-t, grand mod-l, not quite the quality of leader; 3, Snock, jaunty, very pretty; vhc, Humphreys; he, George; c, Snock. **LIMIT. CAN. OR MULE (4):** 1, Toms; 2, Crabb; vhc, Slipton; c, Street. **PAIRS, A.V. (19):** 1, Ward; 2, Bamber; 3, Rhodes; vhc, Clarke; he, c, Ramsden.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Battison, neat head, fine size, splendid back and chest; 2, vhc, Ramsden, m.f.g., grand head, spect shape, nice level col., beaten only in size. **BUFF (4):** 1, Ramsden, fine head properties, lovely shape and meaning; 2, Battison, good size and qual.; vhc, Law. **VARIEG. (6):** 1, Griffin, saddle mkd. buff, grand back, sweetly shaped head, good qual., grand col. and meaning; wins; 2, vhc, Ramsden, beautiful yell., heavily varieg., true shape, wonderful qual.

and col., valuable bird in any stud; he, Bell. **HENS (8):** 1, Griffin, grand mkd. yell., wonderful size, model, well shown; 2, he, c, Ramsden, splendid strain, neat all over, clean cut; 3, G. Crabb, buff, round hack and chest, short and compact, splendid feather; vhc, Oldaker. **UNFLIG. (6):** 1, Griffin, model shape, tight as a Java, nice even col., in the pink; 2, Ramsden, rather better col., but not so stout as leader; vhc, he, Battison; c, Law. **NOV. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8):** 1, Harris, deep broad chest and wide well-filled hack, feathered like wax, if it had better col. would be a storer; 2, Hutton, built on same lines and in grand cond.; 3, J. Taylor, good head and shape; vhc, Wills; he, Hyde; c, Wainsley. **BUFF (13):** 1, Smith, wonderful subs., one of those that take the eye, grand qual., glorious undecol., wins spl for best nov. Nor.; 2, 3, Kerr, leader best of heads, sweet shape, well shown; 3rd hardly so cobby; vhc, Deane; he, Harris; c, Cobden. **VAR. (8):** 1, Large, head and neck marked buff, very nice specimen, feathered to perfection; 2, J. Taylor, cobby little chap, yell., smooth as glass; 3, Coe, good head, nice shape and feather, red-hot colour; vhc, Tomsett; he, Wainsley; c, Taylor. **HENS (12):** 1, Wills, yell., sweetly moulded throughout, qual. all there; 2, Coe, var. buff, model for shape and qual., very close up; 3, Tomsett, another smart yell., splendid qual. and col., useful hen; vhc, Bonniwell and Son; he, Snook; c, Harris. **UNFLIG. (26):** very strong class; 1, Harris, grandest of shape, very round and cobby, feather smooth as glass, grand col., shown well; 2, Wills, very nice exhibit, loses only to winner in qual., should be heard of again; 3, 4, Hutton, leader deep chest, thick set, 4th similar, not quite so much size; vhc, c, W. Smith; he, Cobden. On the whole the novice birds were a very fine lot, and two or three lots of winners could have been found in the unflighted class.

LIGHT OR VAR. CAN. HYB., EXCEPT BULLF. (4): 1, 2, Lamb, well-known light Goldf., lovely cond. and good uneven mkd. Green; he, Crabb, Arher. **DARK (8):** 1, 2, Lamb, Can.-Buff., well known, in same old bloom, wants stopping anywhere, and very pretty Siskin-Can., loveliest possible c. nd.; 3, Buckingham, Redpoll-Can., nicely mkd., beautifully steady; vhc, Law; he, Griffin; c, Crabb. **GOLDF. (8):** 1, 2, Prior, feathered like wax, leader has the better coloured blaze, perfect cond., and beautifully steady, moons and buttons all, 2, paler in body col., and not so steady; 3, Coe, nice back col., not quite finished yet; vhc, Tapper; he, Law; c, Walters; w.e., No. 4. **BULLF. (4):** 1, vhc, Tapper, lead r lovely breast col., dense and well shaped cap, beautiful polish, massive; 2, Francis, loses to winner in depth of breast col., but still very nice for a cage-moulted one, good cond. of plumage; he, Coe. **LINNET (7):** 1, 3, Francis, leader lovely even body col., extra good breast and flank markings, tight in feather, and shapely, 3 larger, equal in cond., just loses in breast markings; 2, Coe, big, up-standing bird, lovely back markings, fine cond., shows well; vhc, Prior; he, Collier. **SISKIN, ETC. (7):** 1, Prior, lovely Twice, extra steady, well marked, nice body col.; 2, 3, he, Francis, really good Siskin, in perfect feather, lacings extra fine, 3 massive Mealy Redpoll, well mkd., nice bib; vhc, Coe; c, Vale. **GREENF., ETC. (8):** 1, he, Coe, large, well mkd. Bramble, silky plumage, shows himself well; 2, vhc, Vale, leader well-known Chaffinch, looking as well as ever, beautiful cond., and forward for the season; 3, c, Francis, Greenf., of the finest qual., cond. absolutely perfect, a real good one. **BUDGERIGARS, ETC. (5):** 1, vhc, Slipton, a lovely pair of Yellow Budgerigars, steady, and in perfect plumage, and very nice Greens, with beautifully distinct markings; 2, Day, perfect Cockatiel, lovely condition, steady; he, Mrs. Huggins; c, Withers. **AVADAVATS, ETC. (4):** 1, sp., he, Madame Madewell, spotless pair of White Javas, and nice Ribbon Finches, feather perfect; 2, Slipton, exquisite pair Gordon Bleus, pretty as a point, vhc, Buckingham, nice Green Avadavats. **A.O. WAXBILLS, ETC. (4):** 1, 2, Day, rare Black-vented Weaver, in perfect plumage, and very nice Grey Cardinal. **NOVICE, BRIT., BULLF. OR GOLDF. (4):** 1, Carter, nicely coloured Bullf., only wants steady to make a good one; 2, Shorter, nice Goldf., bit harsh in plumage, should improve. **LINNET, ETC. (5):** 1, Shorter, prettily mkd. Linnet, steady, nice body col., shows well; 2, vhc, sp., Cutlers, Siskin, good flank markings, nice cap, smallish bib, the vhc a good Redpoll, bit rough and meath, or would have been good for 2nd. **A.O.V. FINCH OR BUNTING (8):** 1, Slipton, very pretty Yellowhammer, good markings, lovely cond.; 2, Deane, Chaffinch, perfect feather, beautiful cond., nicely mkd., might be steadier; 3, Carter, very good Bramble, too wild to show himself, otherwise scarce good enough to be at top of class; vhc, Simmonds; he, c, Madame Madewell. **MULE OR HYB. (8):** 1, Carter, nice wing mkd. Goldf.-Can., lovely cond.; 2, Bissett, Green-Can., extra good cond.; 3, Snow, dark Goldf.-Can., good feather; shows parentage well; vhc, Thomas; he, c, Miss Smith.

BEDFORD.

Annual show of the Bedford and Beds United C.B.S., the Beds C.B.S., and Beds O.S. amalgamated, in Town Hall, Oct. 15. All gate and ticket money received was given to the Prince of Wales's national relief fund. There was also a gift class for song birds for hospitals. Owing to the European crisis the open classes were not included, but nevertheless some very fine specimens were present. Special winners: Silver cup most points during year, for young Nor., Osborn; silver cup most points, Mule and Brit., Wright and Mayo; cup for best unflig. Nor., Corrie; most points in Brit., Wilnot; medals best bird in novice, and hottest fed bird, Valentine. Mr. Roe, of Birmingham, judged. Steward, Mr. H. Markham. All cash prizes and specials were distributed in the evening by Mr. H. Browning, the Mayor of Bedford.

YELL. NOR. CK. (11): 1, vhc, Osborn, excellent type and qual., hardly ready, will improve; 2, Beauland, cl., good one, full of pin feathers, wants another fortnight; 3, Corrie, fine big mkd. bird, correct type, good steel bird; 4, Wilnot, nice cl.; he, John on; c, Millard; No. 4 bird (Notley), last year's winner, was careless, although many thought it ought to have won again. **BUFF (9):** 1, Millard, excellent type throughout, good col.; 2, Corrie, mkd., rare big bird, correct type; 3, John on, nice stamp of bird, paler in col.; 4, Millard, good one, close up; vhc, Osborn; he, Hunter; c, Notley. **YELL. HEN (11):** 1, 2, Corrie, leader, nice model, full of qual., 2nd, rare type, on the small side, and hardly ready; 3, vhc, c, Osborn, mkd., correct type, in prime con.; 4, Hunter, rare type and qual., just a bit thick when we took our notes; he, Notley. **BUFF (11):** 1, Corrie, very choice, perfect model, a clear win, we made this bird the best Nor. in the show; 2, 3, Notley, excellent mealy, simply teems with qual., 3rd, bit smaller, but good; 4, Hunter, var., fine big bird; vhc, he, Osborn; c, Beauland. **1914 (15):** 1, Corrie, rare big shagging yell., full of qual. (cup winner); 2, Crawford, correct type, mkd.; 3, Millard, excellent mkd. yell., in rare con.; 4, Notley, nice clear, bit loose in

feather; vhc, c, Osborn; he, Johnson. **NOV. YELL. CK. (9):** 1, Hudson, nice cl., good type and qual.; 2, 4, vhc, Valentine, nice cl., bit heavy in brow, otherwise good, 4th, smart; mkd., good con.; 3, c, Fowler, mkd., rare type, good col.; he, Coley. **BUFF (8):** 1, 2, 3, vhc, Valentine, smart and typical in rare trim, 2nd, nice size, rare con., 3rd, smooth as a bottle, and good col. (condition scores in this class); 3, c, Crawford, lightly mkd., nice type; he, Hudson. **YELL. HEN (6):** 1, 3, 4, Valentine, nice type, good col. and con., 3rd, rare qual., bit open in front, 4th, mkd., nice type; 2, Fowler, rich col., correct type; vhc, Hudson; he, Crawford. **BUFF (12):** 1, 2, 3, he, Valentine, lightly mkd. on neck, very useful hen, 2nd, lovely mealy, full of qual., 3rd, grizzle cap, well made, nice qual.; 4, Simons, good qual.; vhc, c, Coley. **SELL PAIRS (11):** 1, 4, Dimmock; 2, Wilnot; 3, Millard; vhc, Valentine; he, Gent.e; c, Corrie. **SELL, 12s. 6d. (9):** 1, Dimmock; 2, Millard; 3, Hunter; 4, Wilnot; vhc, Osborn; he, Gent.e. **MULE OR HYB. (12):** 1, 3, Wilnot, lovely even mkd. buff mule, 3rd, good col. Gold-Lin., excellent con.; 2, Hunter, bonny little Gold-Redpoll, in prime order; 4, vhc, Wright and Mayo, nice Siskin Mule; he, Notley; c, Osborn. **GOLDF. OR BULLF. (6):** 1, Brewer, nice hand-reared Bullf., good col.; 2, Gough, smart Goldf., good blaze, hardly ready; 3, Wilnot, Bullf., nice con.; he, Brewer. **LINNET, ETC. (10):** 1, Wright and Mayo, very nice Siskin, in capital order; 2, vhc, Wilnot, good Mealy Redpoll, nicely pencilled; 3, Finck, smart Siskin; 4, he, Brewer; c, Gough. **BRAMBLE, ETC. (7):** 1, 3, Wilnot, col. fed Bramble, in rare fetid, 3rd, very good Chaffinch; 2, he, Brewer, fine big Greenf., bit wild; 4, c, Wright and Mayo; he, Notley. **SOFTBILLS (8):** 1, 2, 3, 4, Timaeus, Beard d Tit, very fine specimen, in first-class order, 2nd, lovely Redstart, 3rd, very fine Thrush, beautifully mkd.; 4th, he, Bearded Tit; vhc, Simons; he, Wright and Mayo. **FOR. (9):** 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Timaeus, Red-faced Lovebirds, in superb condition; 2, Paradise Whydah, with wonderful tail, 3rd, very pretty Grassh. 4th, Diamond Finch (8 years old), Gordon Bleus and Ribbon Finches, all in good condition. **JUNIOR CLASS (5):** 1, 2, Thomas, rare and mkd. buff Nor.; 3, Fowler; 4, vhc, Crawford.

WALSLEY.

Annual exhibition of Canaries, held Oct. 24, in the Central Board Schools. The rooms are the finest in the district, free from draughts, nicely heated, and with plenty of light. Each exhibit could be seen without handling. The entries totalled 260, which would have been increased considerably if the Committee had only advertised their show in CAGE BIRDS. We heard a great many fanciers say they would have sent entries if they had seen an advertisement. The show was very well managed indeed, and all the birds were well looked after. The cream of the Yorkshire Fancy was here, and competition in the classes very keen. Messrs. Dykes, Ogden Bros., Bennett, Mason, Radley, Towers and Goodwin put down fine teams of birds in the Champion Section, and in the Novice section Messrs. Boulton, Taylor, Radley, Ratcliffe and Thomas were the principal winners. The Secretary, Mr. E. Grange, worked very hard for the success of the show, and our old friend, Ned Denton, was a hard-working steward. The judge was Mr. W. Mundell (Bradford).

YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (1): Bennett; 2, Towers; 3, Casey; 4, Sutcliffe and Son; vhc, Hirst; he, Dykes; c, Farrar. **BUFF (11):** 1, Mason; 2, Dykes; 3, Beaumont; 4, Chittenden; vhc, A. Radley; he, Thomas; c, Ogden Bros. **UNFLIG. (12):** 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, Beaumont; 3, Hirst; 4, vhc, Bennett; he, c, Dykes. **CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (15):** 1, Bennett; 2, Walsh; 3, Casey; 4, Priestley; vhc, Mason; he, Dykes; c, Craven. **BUFF (11):** 1, Ogden Bros.; 2, Ellis; 3, Towers; 4, Hirst; vhc, Dykes; he, Priestley; c, Sheard. **UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. (7):** 1, Dykes; 2, Hall; 3, Mason; 4, Fowl; vhc, Morrison; he, Chittenden; c, Smith Bros. **BUFF (10):** 1, Bennett; 2, Towers; 3, Morrison; 4, Hall; vhc, Mason; he, Thomas; c, Binns. **UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. HEN (13):** 1, Dykes; 2, Chittenden; 3, Towers; 4, Shaw; vhc, Wilkinson Bros.; he, Sheard; c, Mountain. **BUFF (9):** 1, Radley; 2, Dykes; c, Sheard; 4, Morrison; vhc, Binns; he, Sutcliffe and Son; c, Farrar. **CINN. TKD. YELL. (8):** 1, c, Towers; 2, Thomas; 3, Casey; 4, Brown; vhc, Chittenden; he, Morrison. **BUFF (Cancelled):** YELL. HEN (10): 1, Towers; 2, Atkinson and Firth; 3, Priestley; 4, Hodgson; vhc, Morrison; he, c, Morrison. **BUFF (1):** Goodwin; 2, Chew; 3, c, Morrison. **SELL. CK. 15/- (17):** 1, Mason; 2, M. Radley; 3, Webb; 4, Goodwin; vhc, A. Radley; he, Beaumont; c, Atkinson. **HEN, 12/6 (12):** 1, Sutcliffe and Son; 2, Shepherd; 3, Beaumont; 4, F. Radley; vhc, Hodgson; he, Mason; c, Beaumont. **NOVICE (Limit 25 5/-):** CL. OR TKD. YELL. (18): 1, Boulton; 2, Fisher and Dyson; 3, Whaan; 4, Brown and Ramsden; vhc, Warburton; he, Taylor; c, Excell Bros. **BUFF (25):** 1, Taylor; 2, Seafie; 3, Fisher and Dyson; 4, Gelder; vhc, Boulton; he, Farnish; c, G. S. Taylor. **YELL. HEN (20):** 1, 4, S. Ratcliffe; 2, Farnish; 3, Fisher and Dyson; vhc, Sharpe; he, Studd; c, Powell. **BUFF (18):** 1, S. Ratcliffe; 2, 3, Sharpe; 4, he, Fisher and Dyson; vhc, Swain; c, Ward. **UNEVEN, ETC., CK. (14):** 1, 3, Studd; 2, c, Sharpe; 4, Harney; vhc, Webb; he, Alred. **HEN (8):** 1, vhc, Alred; 2, Crowthers; 3, Scarfe; 4, Butterfield; vhc, Alott; he, Studd; c, Moore. **CINN. TKD. CK. (Cancelled):** HEN (6): 1, Rhodes Bros.; 2, no name; 3, Hoyle; 4, he, Baker Bros.; vhc, Wood. **NOR. CK. (8):** 1, Thomas; 2, 3, Kaberry; 4, vhc, Rolfe; he, c, Corney. **HEN (8):** 1, Thomas; 2, he, Corney; 3, Rolfe; 4, vhc, Kaberry; c, Marden and Spencer.

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Club Reports.

DUMBARTON C.B.C.

At a special meeting it was decided that we go on with our show on Nov. 28, as arranged, but in Lesser Burgh Hall instead of Church Hall, which has been taken over for military purposes. Schedules will be sent to all members of Club. Judges: Canaries, Mr. R. Jeffrey, Glasgow; Brit., Mr. A. Frazer, Partick.—John Currie, Sec.

CLYDEBANK C.B.C.

Meeting, Oct. 15, 81, Kilbowie Road, Mr. Morton presiding. The schedule for annual members' show was drawn up. Classes: Young Birds: Nor. 6, Bord. 5, Yorks. 2, Crests 1, C.B. 1, A.O.V. 1, Nor. Fed 1, Nov. 1, Light Mules 1, Dark 1. Old Birds: Same classes. Goldf. or Bullfinch, Linn. Greenfinch, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite, Bramble or Chaffinch, Lark or smaller, Larger than Lark, Hen Bullfinch, Hen British, except Bullfinch, For. Goldf. or Bullf., Gift Class. Messrs. J. Blyth and A. Roberts were elected members. Next meeting, Nov. 19. Arrange stewards.

LONDON AND COUNTIES A.C.B.

Meeting, Oct. 17, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse-st., E.C. R. J. Pretty presided over a good attendance. Mr. A. Hutton, Penze, was proposed as a member. Proposed the Secretary buy new red material for the staging of the coming autumn show. The most important item of the evening was the washing exhibition by Mr. W. Shakespeare, during which he fully explained the way to hold the bird and how to wash it. He then acted as judge for the washing competition. The first three were R. J. Pretty, W. Gilbert and H. Bell. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Shakespeare for the way he gave his instructive and interesting exhibition, and for acting as judge brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—W. Gilbert.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE C.B.S.

Meeting of delegates at Stoke Oct. 21. Further arrangements for the inter-club shows to be held at Hanley and Burslem were made. For the Hanley fixture, held Nov. 7, Messrs. F. Bate and W. Bowyer were appointed as judges. Decided that all pay for admission. Owing to the absence of several delegates an adjourned meeting was held Oct. 22, at which it was decided that there should be two collectors at door at each show. Also decided that entries for the Hanley show should close Tues., Nov. 3. Members can obtain schedules from their respective secretaries. Entries to be sent to the show secretary, Mr. C. Beckett, 32, Hamilton Road Birchies Head. Decided to approach the local Roller societies with a view to them participating in the Burslem fixture. There will be another delegation meeting at Hanley Show at 7 p.m.—J. Pitchford.

LAISTERDYKE BOWLING AND TONG COMBINATION.

Meeting, Oct. 22, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Mr. C. Atkinson presiding. The committee decided to give one gold medal value £1, one silver value 12s. 6d., for open section, and one gold value 15s., and one silver value 7s. 6d. for novice section. We think the above is very satisfactory, with only 6d. per year contribution, and only three shows. Decided that Mr. Uttley's special be given for most points at next two shows, all birds to count. We are calling a meeting for all members, and intending members on Nov. 6, at 8, when all entries must be made, and we would like a splendid entry, seeing that the Union have no show on this date. Show Nov. 7, at Napoleon Hotel, Wakefield Road; judge, Mr. F. Self-Clayton.—J. E. Hudeon, Sec.

WEST BROMWICH C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 20, with a fair attendance. Two new members made. After general business, upon a suggestion to hold an inter-club show in place of cancelled open show, a good discussion arose, and ended with the society agreeing to it, City of Birmingham, Wolverhampton, and Walsall to be invited to join. Schedule: 7 champ., Nor., 4 mule, ditto Yorks., 1 A.O.V., 2 sell., 6 Brit., 2 Mule. Prize-money on sliding scale; fee, 1s. 6d. first entry, 1s. each entry after; 6d. per exhibitor deducted towards expenses. The committee trust members of the above societies will rally round them, and give them a record entry, and so uphold the Fancy in the district during the crisis we are at present passing through. It is proposed that 25 per cent. of all tickets sold and gate money be given to Prince of Wales' Fund.—W. G. Andrews, Hon. Sec., 1, Hayes Street, W. Bromwich.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Special general meeting, Shield's Cafe, Bigg Market, Oct. 15, Mr. T. C. Crawhall chair. Mr. A. Ender elected a member. Decided that at our show, Nov. 14, Co-operative Hall, Darn Crook, admission be: Members free, non-members 6d. Judges were nominated. (Note: Subs. must be paid before the show to entitle to compete.) Letter read from our esteemed asst. sec., Mr. James Craig. I have still some of his birds to dispose of. Members of specialist societies can only show in those classes to which their respective societies have given their patronage; of course, if they are members of our society they can show in any section.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

ARDWICK & MANCHESTER C.B.A.

Meeting, and lecture by Mr. Cutmore, of Liverpool, St. Thomas's Schools, Ardwick, Oct. 6, before a large gathering, Rev. C. E. Gaul chair. After usual business, Mr. Cutmore read a paper on Heredity and Pedigree Breeding, telling us that it was written both from theory and practical knowledge, and illustrating to us by diagrams how different species have evolved. He pointed out how we could build up a strain from an ordinary singing Canary and one well-bred bird. Of course, he said, some breeders preferred to make a straight cut by buying the ready-made article, but he would like some of us at least to try and build up a strain, if only for the experience of such a step. He gave some very useful hints regarding the breeding in of type and quality, explaining how best to introduce new blood into our strain; also how we could best improve our stock. After showing us diagrams of different species of birds and animals, and giving some good information regarding their different points, the lecturer said he would be pleased to answer any questions. Several were asked, and Mr. Cutmore answered in a very able manner. Time came all too soon, and a vote of thanks was passed for such a very instructive lecture.

Meeting, Oct. 20. We are sorry to have to report the loss of our president, Dr. S. J. Twigg, who feels compelled to resign on account of his growing practice. We are sorry to lose so good a member, who, although he could not attend as often as he wished, yet was always with us at heart, and

always ready to give us a helping hand; he has our best wishes. Arrangements were made for our forthcoming open show, when we are hoping to have a bumping entry. We are giving very liberal classifications, and we hope fanciers will rally round. Next meeting Mr. Spencer (see.) will give a washing demonstration, deputising in place of our chairman, Mr. Robinson, who is unable to come through business reasons; anyway, we are hoping for a good time. Members please note.—R. Booth, Press Correspondent.

SHETTLESTON C.B.S.

Meeting, Good Templars' Hall, Oct. 14, Mr. Wood presiding over a good turnout. Date of annual show, fixed for Dec. 12, in Hill Street Hall, as everything looks well for success this year. There are some very handsome specials to be competed for. Schedule was drawn up. Crests and C.B. 4, Plainheads 11, Bord. 9, Yorks. 8, Scotch Fancy 4, Miles 1, Britt. 12, For. 2, Amat. 1, Gift 1. Decided that members wishing to compete must have their annual subs. paid by next meeting, Good Templars' Hall, Nov. 11, at 7.30.—A. Bury, Sec.

VALE OF LEVEN C.B.C.

Meeting, Village School Room, Alexandria, Oct. 20, President W. B. Gillies chair. Hall Committee gave in report stating that every available hall suitable, including Co-operative Hall, which had been engaged for annual show, had been commandeered by Royal Scots Fusiliers, who were here for rifle practice at the ranges. They had got the offer of Dalmonach Hall, Bonhill, for annual show, as, being part of Dalmonach Works, and in use during each week, the hall cannot be commandeered, so it was agreed to take same, and thereby allow members the opportunity of competing for the club trophies.—A. H. McLean, Sec.

PENICUIK O.S.

Meeting Oct. 24, Cowan Institute, Mr. Richard Monteith presiding over a good gathering. The principal business was to consider the advisability of holding our show this year, and members agreed that we should hold it, but that they wouldn't take up a general subscription, in view of the present crisis. Several specials have, however, been offered, and we hope to be able to give a little prize-money from our membership fees. The patronage of the B.F.C.C. has been granted, which will go to make the competition keener. Mr. Wm. McAdam, Lasswade, has been appointed to judge the Canary section, and the judge for the other sections will be announced as soon as appointed. The show will be held on the 21st November, and, judging by the enthusiasm shown at the meeting, our first venture is going to be a success.—Jas. Weir, Hon. Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Meeting, Sept. 17, Mr. Allsopp presided over a good attendance. The date of the members' show was altered to Nov. 28. Mr. J. Robson was elected to judge; resolved to have 36 members' classes and four open classes; birds to be staged by 10 o'clock on Saturday morning, or they may be staged on the Friday night, so as to enable members to show who will be engaged in business on the Saturday. Admission threepence. Mr. E. J. Banks reported he had secured the Glamorgan Buildings, Frederic Street, Stock Room, for the Show. Mr. E. J. Davies gave a washing exhibition, and invited other members to show their method. Messrs. H. C. Snaith, E. James, W. Stocking, R. L. Brown, also washed a bird each, and Mr. A. Deere, a novice, made his first attempt at washing. I was pleased to see the interest that was taken in the meeting, all the members seemed full of hope. I trust all members will attend next meeting as I want all stewards, etc., elected for the show. Mr. P. Brailie was elected as a member. Will members who have specials send on to me not later than Nov. 7.—E. Thomas.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

A washing demonstration and competition took place, Oct. 1, a good number of members and friends being present. Mr. J. Hazell kindly came from Plumstead to show us his methods of washing, and soon proved he was no novice. He first showed how to handle a bird and impressed upon us that confidence was the greatest asset in washing birds. He always used Sunlight soap, as he found it cleaned the feathers better than other sorts. He then proceeded to tub the bird, using three waters with plenty of lather, and after mopping as much of the water from the bird as possible with an old muslin cloth, he finally rolled it in a piece of flannel, all of which movements being closely followed by all present. Messrs. Culham, Joplin, Fuller, Martin, and Cooper then tried their hand at washing their birds. Mr. Hazell criticised their methods, pointed out their mistakes, and finally awarded the silver spoon to Mr. Joplin, who, in Mr. Hazell's opinion, had washed his bird best. Mr. Culham being the runner-up. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Hazell.—Burton Bros., Hon. Secs.

LANCASHIRE & LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Oct. 17, with a very fair attendance. Mr. E. Fuller chair. Much sympathy was evinced in regard to the serious illness of Mr. Naylor's wife, and I am sorry to have to record that he has since lost her. I am sure members will accord with me in tendering our sincere sympathy with Mr. Naylor in his bereavement. The Secretary announced that Bradford National had given us the cold shoulder, as they only intended running a Norwich and Yorkshire show. In face of so many shows throwing up the sponge, it speaks well for the grit and sporting spirit of those continuing to hold their shows. Much criticism was shown in regard to the new scheme the Manchester and N.O.S. intend using in regard to the prize-money, etc. General opinion was that in making 12 as the least number for full prize-money, and cancelling classes with less than 6 entries, they were likely to stop entries rather than encourage them. Yet seven entries in a class spells a profit. Members should make a note of London C.B.A. show, as this is the only open show where our trophies will be competed for after Manchester, as Gateshead have decided to drop their open show. An effort will be made to run our usual members' show. Next meeting, Volunteer Hotel, George-st., Oldham, Nov. 14, the date of Oldham C.B.S., in St. Domingo Street Schools.—J. Rukin, Hon. Sec.

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METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Annual Show, Kelvedon Hall, Kelvedon Road, Waltham Green, Saturday, Nov. 7th. Over 70 classes. Show open 2 o'clock. Now, London fanciers, rally round.—John Jeffrey, Press Sec. (1840)

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Sixth Annual Open Contest, Nov. 5th and 6th. Good Prize Money and Valuable Specials. Entries short, will accept up till Monday.—T. J. Smith, 10, Hall St., Wolverhampton. (1822)

READING C.B.S.

Annual Open Show, Palmer Hall, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 1914. Judge: J. Robson, Esq. Open Classes: 5 Norwich, 5 Yorkshire, 1 A.O.V., Canary, 2 British, 1 Mule or Hybrid, 2 Selling, 4 Foreign. Id. on every entry to Prince of Wales Fund. Prizes, 10/6, 5/6, 2/6, with 2/6 Cash Specials. Entry fee 1/6. Schedules and particulars from Sec., O. C. Smith, 73, Audley Street, Reading.

PARTICK And District

16th Annual Show, Co-operative Halls, Mansfield St., Partick, November 7th. Entries close Nov. 4th.—J. F. Park, 21, Elliot-st., Glasgow.

Coventry O.S.

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Eastleigh & District

First Annual Show, open to all, November 25th and 26th. Prizes, 5/6, 3/6, 2/6. Entry fee, 1/6. Entries close Nov. 18th. Judge: C. E. Silk, Esq., Emsworth. Schedules from: J. Alderslade, Sec., 64, Desboro' Road, Eastleigh. (1841)

RUTHERGLEN AND DISTRICT O.A.

Eighth Annual Show in Rechabites Hall, East King Street, on Sat., Nov. 7th. Admission 3d. A number of Canaries will be given away free.—J. Lappin, Sec., 3, Jedburgh Avenue, Rutherglen.

AVONBRIDGE O.S.

11th Open Show, Nov. 14th. Classes: Nor. 8, Bord. 19 (Judge, Mr. G. Hislop, Stirling), Mules and Hyb. 5, British 17, For. 2 (Judge, Mr. T. Bell, Bo'ness). Entry Money, 1/6. Prize Money, 9/6, 5/6, 2/6.—Entries close Nov. 7th. Schedules from: P. Gentleman, Sec., Cowan's Buildings, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire.

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- Nov. 11.—**Reading C.B.S.**—(O. C. Smith, 73, Audley St.) J.R.
- Nov. 13-14.—**Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.**—(J. Ainsworth, 15, Vaughan St., Shildon.)
- Nov. 20-21.—**Halifax O.S.**—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., W.V.
- Nov. 21.—**Bradford Nat. C.B.S.**—(S. Midgley, 10, Victoria St., Clayton, Bradford.)
- Nov. 26, 27, 28.—**London C.B.A.**—(Jas. Bray, Jun., 67, St. Dunstan's Rd., Hammersmith.) J.R., E.J.R., A.C., R.L.C., F.E., J.R., A.S., C.P., A.J.M.
- Nov. 27-28.—**Sale C.B.S.**—(H. Whitney, 10, Brook St.) A.H., E.B.
- Nov. 28.—**Ainwick C.B.S.**—(W. A. Broadley, 12, Clayport St.)
- Dec. 2-3.—**City of Birmingham C.B.S.**—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston.) J.R.
- Dec. 3.—**Abersychan C.B.S.**—(F. Sweeting, 22, Caradoc St., Pentwyn, Abersychan.) H.W.B.
- Jan. 9.—**Doncaster C.B.S.**—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) H.W.B., J.M.
- Jan. 21-22.—**Wolverhampton C.B.S.**—(W. Harrison, 45, Darlington St.) J.R.

Scotland.

- Oct. 31.—**Forfar C.B.S.**—(D. Kerr and J. Robertson, 13, Green St.)
- Nov. 7.—**Brechin C.B.S.**—(J. Crabb, 120, Montrose Street.) E.B., J.H., G.S.
- Nov. 14.—**Hamilton Cadzow Oak**.—(W. Hamilton, 25, Orchard St.)
- Nov. 20-21.—**Glasgow C.B.A.**—(W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)
- Dec. 19.—**Newtongrange**.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
- Dec. 31/Jan. 1.—**Scottish National (Edinburgh)**.—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
- Jan. 1.—**Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.**—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

- Nov. 7.—**Llandudno, Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A.**—(G. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.)
- Jan. 6.—**Pontypridd F. & F.S.**—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Resser St., Maesyeod, Pontypridd.)
- Jan. 12.—**Llanelli C.B.S.**—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

Ireland.

- Dec. 9-10.—**Dublin S. County C.B.A.**—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

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Twitterings.

Schedules for the Halifax O.S., writes Mr. H. Clegg, will be posted to exhibitors on Nov. 6.

Mr. E. Fox (Long Eaton) will judge Burton-on-Trent C.B.S. members' show, on Nov. 14.

South Shields show has been put back till Dec. 5, when Mr. H. W. Battye will judge, writes Mr. W. F. Smith, the sec.

I removed from Belford Terrace, North Shields, to 44, Milton Street, South (not North) Shields, writes Mr. Thos. Bewick.

We are holding our annual show as usual on Nov. 21, writes Mr. W. Lidgett, hon. sec. Newark C.B.S. Mr. W. Vardy (Huthwaite) will judge.

Honley and Dist. C.B.S. has been disbanded owing to lack of membership, writes Mr. Fred. Castle, late hon. sec. Most of the members have now joined Huddersfield.

Will members and friends interested in the Richmond Dist. C.B.S. please attend a special general meeting at St. John's Hall on Nov. 2, at 8 o'clock.—H. Birch, hon. sec.

Another Magnificent Lancashire Show.

It is pleasant to be able to announce, following on the splendid success of Liverpool, that another exceptionally fine Lancashire Show is due this week end (Oct. 31st).

MANCHESTER'S ONE-DAY SHOW HAS OVER 1,100 ENTRIES!

Keep up the good work, fanciers. The Societies which are going ahead with their annual exhibitions are deserving of your generous support.

Wolverhampton C.B.S. has decided not to hold an open show, though hoping, however, to hold a members' show in November, also to have a few inter-club shows.—W. Harrison, Sec.

All meetings of the Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S. have been suspended for the present, owing to so many of our members being unable to attend on account of the war, writes Mr. F. Botell, hon. sec.

I was greatly surprised to see the sketch of my variegated yellow cock on the "page of honour" of CAGE BIRDS. I think it does your artist great credit. I wish your paper every success.—P. Gedge (Poplar).

The Border Fancy Canary Club have granted us their patronage, and both the open and novice medals will be competed for at our New Year's Day show, writes Mr. John C. Bell, sec. Border City (Carlisle) O.S.

OBITUARY.

I am indeed sorry to have to announce, writes Mr. John Rakin, that one of our members of the L. and L.F.A., Mr. G. Naylor, has had the misfortune to lose his beloved wife, who died on Oct. 23. I understand she has had a severe illness. My society tenders to Mr. Naylor its sincere sympathies in his sad bereavement.

Mr. T. G. Etheridge, hon. sec. Woolston F. and F.A., would be glad if fanciers willing to guarantee classes at the show of Dec. 16-17 (see letter in correspondence columns) will communicate with him. His address is The Nest, Weston Lane, Woolston.

At the 12th annual Industrial Show at Tenby, Nov. 4, there are seven open classes for cage birds. Proceeds of the show will go to the Prince of Wales War Fund, and schedules may be obtained from the sec., Mr. E. Davis, 2, Ventnor Houses, Tenby.

Mr. W. G. Andrews, hon. secretary, writes that the West Bromwich C.B.S. has decided to hold an inter-club show in place of open show, as they are wishful to keep the Fancy going in their district. It is hoped that members of the societies invited to join will give their best support.

Splendid Reception of Our Scheme.

Singing Canaries for Convalescent Homes and Hospitals Meet With Instant Acceptance and Appreciation.

Will You Help Us, Reader, to Provide Cages?

WE are sure that our readers will learn with the greatest of pleasure of the splendid success of our scheme—in which they have so generously co-operated—to send singing Canaries to such convalescent homes and hospitals as have our gallant fighting men under their roofs recovering from honourable wounds received in the titanic struggle proceeding on the other side of the North Sea.

We have been in communication with the authorities of a large number of hospitals, etc., and in almost every case the offer of a Canary and cage has met with instant and appreciative acceptance.

In our next issue we purpose publishing a lengthy list of the complimentary comments which appear in the letters we have received. For this week, however, owing to pressure on our space, the following must suffice—it well illustrates the kindly and gratifying tone of the whole. It is from the Principal Matron of the National Hospital, London, W., who says:

"We shall be delighted to have the gift you mention of a singing Canary. I am quite sure it will be a source of great delight to our wounded soldiers and other patients. I think it is very kind of you and your readers to offer us one."

So enthusiastically, in fact, has our scheme been received, that we are under the necessity of making a further call upon our readers—a call for more promises of suitable living cages. Of birds we think we have an adequate supply; and, as previously announced, Messrs. Capern, Ltd. (Bristol) have promised to provide all the necessary

seeds and Messrs. Trower and Co. (London) all the bird-sand, quite free of charge.

The necessity for more cages arises in this way: Some of the hospitals have told us they should be delighted to have more than one Canary (in some cases four). We intend to see that this very gratifying desire is met to the fullest extent; and we are sure that readers of CAGE BIRDS will generously and promptly back us up.

The Principal Matron of the 3rd Western General Hospital, Cardiff, puts the case this way: "We shall be delighted to have a Canary here, especially as there are no conditions attached to the gift. I know quite well it will give great pleasure to the soldiers and sailors in our hospital. The difficulty will be to divide a Canary into four sections."

We intend to wipe out all such difficulties as this. And we confidently appeal to our readers to help us. It is only a lack of cages that can prevent every section of every hospital receiving its singing Canary. Will you post us your promise of one at once? We do not ask for expensive cages—only that they shall be of fair size and in good clean condition. They can be either of all wire, or of box pattern (wood, with wire front). They should be fitted ready to receive the bird (i.e., with perches and food and water vessels).

Gifts of one cage will be welcomed just as warmly as those of a larger number. The names of all donors will be inscribed on a card sent with each bird and cage.

Post your promises to The Editor, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Our hall is still in the hands of the military, but we shall be holding a members' show on Saturday, Nov. 28, 40 classes, Mr. J. Robson judge, writes Mr. E. Thomas, sec. Cardiff C.B.S.

Owing to the grand entry at Manchester show, the officials have engaged Mr. W. Booth as an extra judge, and he will officiate over the Norwich Plainheads. The entry in Nor., Yorks., and Lizards is quite exceptionally good, we are informed.

The London and Counties A.C.B. is holding its annual autumn show on Nov. 7 at the Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, corner of Farringdon Road, E.C. It is accessible by trains, buses and trams from all parts of London. Show opens at 5.30, and admission will be twopenny.

Will members of the Leeds C.B.S. note that Mr. Wilkinson, of Roundhay, is giving a special for most points scored in the Linnet classes, and also Greenfinch classes, Nov. and Boxing Day shows to count, writes Mr. E. Norton, the hon. sec. As the letter notifying me does not bear the address of the sender, I should be very pleased if some member could furnish me with it, so that I may communicate with Mr. Wilkinson.

The October issue of "Bird Notes," the journal of the Foreign Bird Club, is full of interesting matter. A coloured plate, by Mr. Goodchild, depicts eight species of Parrot Finches, and there are some good pictures of outdoor aviaries. Among the articles are the conclusion of "Some Experiences of Cockatoos," by the Marquis of Tavistock, and a most interesting chapter by Dr. L. Lovell-Keays on Aviculture in Ancient Rome.

On Monday, Nov. 2, Mr. A. Silver, F.Z.S., lectures before the Wimbledon C.B.S., at headquarters, 6, The Broadway, Wimbledon, at 8 p.m. His subject, "Birds of Character," will be illustrated by lantern, and we are sure that all fanciers who pay Wimbledon a visit on this occasion will pass a very instructive evening. Visitors are heartily welcome. The club-room is opposite Wimbledon Railway Station, and trams and buses pass the door.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Reading (Berks.).—Palmer Hall, West St., Nov. 11. Judge, J. Robson. 20 open classes: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, A.O.V. 1, Brit. 2, Mules 1, Sell. 2, For. 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d. Fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 4, to O. C. Smith, 73, Audley Street.

Midland Roller C.C..—Seven Stars Hotel, John St., Wolverhampton, Nov. 5-6. Judges: F. E. Fisher, T. W. Walton, M. Jacquemin. 6 Cl. Champ. 1914, Nov. 1914, Open, Amat., Nov. (any age), and Open Limit 42. Prizes: Champ. and Nov. 12s., 9s., 7s., 5s., 3s., 6d., 2s. 6d., 2s.; others, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s., 1s., 6d. Ent. close Oct. 31, to T. J. Smith, 10, Hall Street, Dudley Road, Wolverhampton.

Wadebridge F.A. (Cornwall).—Town Hall, Nov. 11 (continued to Cornwall). Judge: T. Pope. 15 cl.: Nor. 3, Yorks. 4, A.O.V. 1, Mules 1, Brit. 2, For. 1, Sell. 1, Local 1, Children's 1. Prizes, 6s., 3s., 2s., 1s. Ent. close Nov. 3, to E. Mitchell, Eggeshay Rd.

THE NIGHTINGALE'S MELODIOUS RIVAL

AN APPRECIATION OF THE BLACKCAP WARBLER. By "COUNTRY FANCIER."

THE bird-lover has no difficulty in identifying the Blackcap Warbler. He is a blue-grey bird, with a black cap, from whence he takes his name. The Blackcap is a summer migrant. Although an insectivorous species he feeds largely upon fruit. A most delightful songster, some consider him to be quite the equal of the Nightingale. He is certainly an incessant performer, and will sing more or less the whole of the day.

When once accustomed to captivity the Blackcap is a very delightful bird to keep for singing. But he should be caged singly, not turned in with other birds. A Blackcap when tame will sing much more freely than a Nightingale, and will settle down to cage life in a very few days. Indeed, it is one of the easiest of our Softbills to steady, and he will delight his owner with song for seven or eight months in the year. The Blackcap seems to be a bit of a mimic, too, for he will frequently introduce into his song passages of the song of some of our larger birds.

The nest of the Blackcap is a slightly built structure, placed in the dense undergrowth, usually not far from the ground. It is generally made of grass and fine roots, and lined with hair. The eggs are four or five in number, and they are dirty-white in ground colour, clouded with olive-brown and have a few dark brown markings.

Rearing from the Nest.

Young Blackcaps can be reared from the nest in just the same manner as Nightingales. A good mixture for them is the following: Crushed biscuit, ants' eggs, and hard-boiled egg in equal parts. Moisten this and give round to the nestlings as required. When they are able to peck feed on one of the better class insectile mixtures as a stock food and supply live food now and again in the shape of gentles and a few mealworms, while a piece of ripe apple or pear, or if these are not available a piece of banana, should be given every day.

The ordinary (grocers') currants should form a large portion of his diet. They should be soaked in water overnight to soften their skins. The currants should be mixed well into the insectile food. In addition they should have a constant supply of ripe fruit when available, such as raspberries and strawberries, in addition

to the apples, pears and bananas. The latter he never appears to tire of, and as these can be obtained all the year round they are very useful. Hang one of them up in his cage and turn back a piece of the skin every day. He is also very fond of elder berries, privet berries, and the like. The latter are a very good "conditioner," if a sprig or two be given every day.

Although Blackcaps may be easily kept in a large Warbler's cage they make even better inmates for an aviary; the reason for this is that as their plumage is so hard (brittle) it is rather a difficult matter to keep them in good and perfect feather.

They are fairly hardy birds and can be kept in a sheltered outdoor aviary, or in an unheated building throughout the winter, but if the weather is very sharp it would be advisable to take them in for a time till the frost has passed.

Breeding in Captivity.

As regards the breeding of the Blackcap in captivity I have never tried as yet, but have a pair, so I hope that I shall be successful in rearing a brood of young ones. I should be very glad to find out if anybody else in the birdy world has been successful with them.

In trying to breed birds in an aviary care should be taken to provide the right nesting material, as near as possible that which Nature provides for them; also to "decorate" the aviary suitably. An aviary with thick brambles, etc., growing at the bottom affords the hen many places to select from in which to make a nest, and it also affords a screen for her when nesting, privacy being one of the things they most need.

In choosing a Blackcap for exhibition the main points to consider are size and shape, a dense black cap, richness in colour, nice full eye, also good wing carriage. A bird that is chosen for exhibition must needs be a very large one, as it is well known that "A good big 'un will beat a good little 'un," therefore size should be practically the first point to consider; after that I should put shape and colour. Needless to say the bird must be in the best of health and condition, if he is to "shine" and win. And when the bird comes home with his honours thick upon him, I don't think you will say that all your care and attention have been wasted.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 175.)

PERSONALLY I prefer to place them about face high, and where members of the household are continually passing. This, however, is only necessary in the case of a shy singer. The procedure I usually follow is worthy of experimentation, I place the birds on the table whilst having a meal, or when writing. After a few such lessons ordinary movements will have no effect on their tranquillity.

In view of the fact that Roller Canary shows are not extensively advertised, a little information may be useful to those who may not be versed in the procedure of making entries. Sometimes the only intimation of a forthcoming show is the announcement in the club report of the show promoters; and approximate dates are usually chosen year by year. Schedules are usually sent out by the club's secretary to members of the British Roller Canary Club, and to other known fanciers. A post card to the secretary of the club, about a fortnight previous to the show taking place is all that is necessary to procure a schedule and other information in connection with the exhibition.

The secretary, soon after receiving your entries, will send an address label, and either one or two gummed labels. Attach one of the gummed labels to the outside of the left-hand shutter, and the other to the front rail, that is, the strip of wood imme-

diately below the punch-bar front of the cage. Take care that the edge of the label does not project in such a manner that the bird can reach it, or it will probably be chewing paper when it might be better employed in singing. When only one label is received for each cage, this should be placed on the front rail.

The water fountain should be placed at the right-hand side of the cage, that is, in the aperture nearest to the cage-door, and the birds should arrive in the show room early on the day of judging, or, which is better, one the previous evening, so as to allow of a rest to the birds before they are required in the judge's room. In case the conveyance is made through a railway company the carriage must be paid; at present those companies that I am conversant with will only accept the carriage for the outward journey; it is also advis-

POSTERS

Prize Cards, Cage Slips, Badges, Judges' Books, cheapest and best. Read what the secretary of Wigan Cage Bird Society says: "Dear Sir,—Glad to say our members are simply delighted with the posters and prize cards. They say they are the best and cheapest they have ever had.—Yours, etc., E. Ball." Send for samples and prices.—The Manager, Printing Dept., "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

able to insure them. It would be a great convenience if the various railway companies would accept payment for carriage and insurance both on the outward and return journeys.

Reader, I am going to grumble at the food sometimes given to some birds at a show—not at any particular one, for I am not giving what may be termed a sly rub at any individual show, but I am "grousing" at the person who supplies to birds while at a show a different variety of food to what they have been used to receiving at home.

The Food at Shows.

This passage is often to be found in the show schedules: "a supply of food, of the kind the birds are accustomed to receiving should be placed by the owner in his exhibition cages before dispatching his birds to the show." The interpretation of that passage is that birds will be fed whilst at the show on the particular diet which will be found in the bird's cage. A sudden change of diet is apt to upset a bird's stomach, or, with individual specimens, the length of time that the cage is opened while at the show, together with an unsuitable diet and the excitable surroundings, will tend to have a detrimental effect on the bird's song.

When birds are placed in your charge, feed them on that variety of seed you will find placed by the owner in the cage; whether it be only German rape, or a mixture of rape and canary. The owner is in a better position than you to understand his bird's peculiar temperament and the variety of food best suited to it. Canary seed will make some birds' song rank; on the other hand, a whole diet of rape seed will have the effect of making the excreta foul and watery in some specimens, and canary seed has to be added to balance its laxative properties.

"BUSINESS AS USUAL."

Blantyre O.S. Holds Annual Show.

SIR,—We have decided to have our annual show on the 7th Nov., in Mr. Struthers' Hall, High Blantyre. Judges, Mr. R. Lambie (Whitburn) and Mr. J. Sinclair (Paisley). Next meeting Oct. 31, at 7.30 p.m.

D. BERRY

(Sec. Blantyre O.S.)

Pontypridd F. and F.S. Surmounts War Troubles.

SIR,—The war has played havoc with the fixtures in South Wales. We intended holding our annual show on Nov. 25, but owing to failure to book a hall we at one time thought that we would have to cancel for this year. However, after difficulty, I have engaged a hall, but the show must be postponed, and we have fixed on Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1915, when we hope to have a continuance of the grand support we have had in the past. I have received a host of applications for schedules; these applications will be filed and schedules sent out when ready.

A. A. GORDON M'LUKAS, Sec.

The South of Scotland C.B.A. Will Hold Show at Dumfries.

SIR,—At our meeting held Oct. 16 in the Fountain Café Restaurant, Dumfries, Mr. Edgar presided over a large attendance, and it was decided to hold the second annual show on Nov. 28, the surplus funds to be handed over to the War Funds. A gift class will be provided also, the exhibits to be sold by auction, proceeds to go to the War Funds. The Committee hope that all fanciers in the South of Scotland will support them; make the show a success by sending as large an entry as possible so that a substantial sum may be handed over. Mr. Pattie (Hon. Pres.) has kindly consented to give his hall free of charge for the show, at which 33 classes will be provided, and prize-money the same as last year.

A. McHOLM, Hon. Sec.

50, Friars Vennel, Dumfries.

Enterprise at Whitehaven.

SIR,—We intend holding an open show for Yorkshires on Dec. 19, 9 champion and 3 novice classes, under the patronage of the Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C., also 2 classes for Linnets, house and field moulted. The show will be confined to Cumberland, and prizes on the sliding scale. The Committee will require two entry fees out of each class for expenses, that is, we will suppose, there are 12 entries at 1s. 6d. (18s.), 3s. will be taken for expenses, leaving 15s. for 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes, at the rate of 8s. 6d. 1st, 4s. 3d. 2nd, 2s. 3d. 3rd. This is a show run for the benefit of exhibitors; we have

If you will look over your show schedule you find that no one is allowed in the judge's room unless in some official capacity, so it is the privilege of the few rather than the many to see how the birds are judged. Lend me your attention, imagination, your eyes and ears, and I will give to the many an imaginary peep. You see the judge sitting with his back towards the window, while on the table before him are three or four birds placed so that none of the birds can get a view of each other, yet all are in full view of the judge.

Listen! one of the birds has commenced to sing, and the eyes of the judge are at once fixed on the bird. The bird has stopped singing, but the judge has not removed his pencil from the table. How is that? Why has he not taken the points? Because he considers that the bird was simply playing with its song, a trying of the voice before it commences to sing properly.

Valuing the Song.

Hark! the bird is now singing again, and the judge's eyes are again upon it. When it has stopped singing you may notice the judge placing figures in the squares on the sheet, but he may only put them in, say, three squares. Well, then the bird only sang three tours, and while they were being sung the judge was valuing and memorizing them. Look; the one that has just ceased singing is now feeding, and the judge, knowing that it will not commence to sing again for some little time, has turned his attention to another just commencing to sing. The tones are recollected and valued, and when the song has ceased the points are entered on the sheet. The first bird is singing again, and the points are entered up. So on the business goes until the song of three of the birds has been heard, valued, and recorded.

(To be continued.)

taken a good hall with good light during the day and lighted by electricity at night, but it is rather out of the way, therefore we don't expect a big gate, if any. Should we be fortunate to get any, it will be divided among the classes, along with any balance left from what we are keeping for expenses. We are doing very little printing, but we will send an advert to CAGE BIRDS, also a review of schedule a week before the show, from which we expect intending exhibitors to enter. All birds will be sent home on Saturday night, or as requested.

JAS. STEWART, Hon. Sec.

11, Woodville Terrace, Whitehaven.

Metropolitan C.B.A. Extends Its Classes.

SIR,—A committee meeting was held last Thurs., and it was decided to hold the annual show and extend the classification, so as to give members a chance to enter all the different varieties. The committee hopes all members will rally round and send in as many entries as possible. We have one of the best halls in West London, situated in Kelvedon Road, near Walham Green. The date, Sat., Nov. 7, as far as I can see, does not clash with any other London show. So, members, do your duty.

JOHN JEFFREY, Press Sec.

Woolston and District F. and F.A. to Hold Its Show.

SIR,—At a meeting at the Alexandra Coffee Rooms, Woolston, on Oct. 14, the members decided to hold the annual show on Dec. 16 and 17, as previously arranged, open to Hants, Wilts, Dorset and Isle of Wight. The whole of the members present were in favour of a show being held, so the order is "carry on," and with the hearty co-operation of each member it is trusted that the show will be a tremendous success financially. Any surplus cash will be given to the local funds. It was also suggested that three classes for eggs be given (no entrance fee), the eggs to be sent immediately after the show to our brave wounded soldiers at Netley Hospital, who have done so much on the Continent, in conjunction with our Allies, to uphold Old England's honour. Those able to do so should make those classes overflowing. For schedules, etc., apply to me,

F. G. ETHERIDGE, Hon. Sec.

The Nest, Weston Lane, Woolston.

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Correspondence.

Rung Bullfinch Caught Near Pickering.

Sir,—In reply to Mr. Zimmerman's letter, the bird was caught at New Bridge in the early part of September. New Bridge is about a mile from Pickering and four miles from Thornton Dale. I should be pleased to hear how many birds in the nest were rung.

F. L. RYMER.

Pickering.

Date of Reading Show.

Sir,—Through an error in printing, our entry forms are wrong in date of show, and time of entries closing. It should read "Show Wednesday, November 11th." Entries close Wednesday, November 4th." As I had sent out nearly all schedules before error was noticed, it may prevent exhibitors sending entries in time. The schedule is correct, so I trust all will go by that.

O. C. SMITH.

What Are the South-Country Specialist Clubs Doing?

Sir,—Mr. Whitton has touched on a matter which is troubling the minds of a good many specialist club members. There are undoubtedly a number who are not only willing, but anxious, to show. But beyond the possibility of getting into the tickets, they quite naturally desire some further little encouragement, and, having paid their subscription, they have a perfect right to expect it.

A. W. FARMER.

Novice Norwich Classes at the Great National Show.

Sir,—I am glad to see that the Great National Cage Bird Show is to be held as usual, as we novices were rather disappointed Mr. Ramsden's autumn show had to be cancelled through the war crisis. I hope when the time comes round we novices will have the pleasure of seeing two extra classes in the Norwich P.H. section—clear yell. and clear buff. I think a marked bird has an advantage over a clear. I hope we are not asking for too much, seeing how well the classes were filled.

C. B. J.

Amalgamated Members' Show at Nottingham.

Sir,—At a meeting of the Nottingham and Notts O.S. it was suggested that the Nottingham Permanent C.B.S. and the Hyson Green C.B.S. should be approached with an idea of holding an amalgamated members' show, in consequence of our annual open show being abandoned. As a result of that suggestion the two local clubs have fallen in line with us, and we shall hold an amalgamated members' show on Nov. 14. We have engaged a well-lighted room at the Mechanics' Institute, appointed Mr. W. Vardy to judge, and are providing 14 classes for Norwich (including 5 novices), 8 for Crests, 1 A.O.V., 7 for British, Mule and Foreign, and 4 Selling. We trust that every member of all the societies will do his utmost to make this show a thorough success, both as regards entries and the sale of tickets, also in help both before and on the show day. Entries close Nov. 11. We shall be glad if members will endeavour to obtain some special prizes to be competed for, and communicate with their secretary or the undersigned.

J. G. ROYCE.

29, Tennyson Street, Nottingham.

Great Battle in Lancashire!

Enemy Routed on the Banks of the Mersey!

Sir,—There has been a great battle in Lancashire. A handful of fanciers girded up their loins and went out arrayed in all the panoply of war to slay the latest enemy of the Bird Fancy—the German Eagle. This enemy isn't exactly a new variety of bird, but has been lying dormant for close upon fifty years. Now it has suddenly swooped down from its eyrie like the great bully that it is, flapping its enormous wings, exuding fire from its eyes, and croaking its call note of two syllables that make a sound something like "culture."

The Fancy has almost fled in panic. One or two societies have stood their ground to meet the onslaught of the enemy, amongst them these few brave men—trained soldiers all, and courageous—who have carried the trenches until the Eagle (proving to be nothing more than an Owl or a Cuckoo) has turned tail, and left the banks of the Mersey to try to strike panic into some other part. In a word, the enemy has suffered a rout, for 1,253 birds turned up to show societies that there was no necessity for the panic, and that the Fancy still has confidence in

its own prowess to put to flight even stronger enemies. "Strong men will not surrender all they hold dear without a struggle."

Liverpool are to be congratulated on their great venture. As I have said, they are a plucky handful, but they are a proof of the axiom of birdlore that neither bird shows nor birds can do without "grit." Those two indefatigable workers, Messrs. Metcalfe and Green, were in the thick of the fight, and I heard a whisper that the twain were to be mentioned in despatches (to CAGE BIRDS). Mr. Metcalfe was kept busy paying out prize-money (when he wasn't raking in sales money), while Mr. Green kept an eye on the door to see that no one paid twice. We noticed a new show manager in Mr. Walker, and he has evidently graduated in a good school, for he handled the reins like a skilled driver. In fact, all were workers, and deserved their success. This society is one of the few who can boast of efficient lady stewards, and it isn't the good fortune of every fancier—as it was the writer's—to have two ladies help him pack his birds and escort him to the door to keep the police from nailing him. But then, it isn't every fancier who is so hand—, eh?

We knew that it could be done, even at a time like this, and it has been left for the Liverpool fanciers to show others the way in Lancashire; and some of the societies who bent a retreat at the first sign of the enemy must by now be weeping, wailing and gnashing their teeth over what they have missed.

SUB ROSA.

An Albino Linnnet Caught.

Sir,—On Sept. 24, on Cheshunt Marshes, I caught a Linnnet (on full song) which is pure white—no sign of any dark feathers on it. It has white legs, pink eyes and amber beak. I think this is a very rare specimen, and should like to know if such a specimen has been caught before.

B. MATTHEWS.

[I have myself owned several pure white pink-eyed Linnnets; they are very uncommon, however.—EDITOR.]

The Welsh National C.B.S.

Sir,—I would point out to Mr. Creber that the proposed Welsh National show is to be national in every sense of the word—that is, representative of all the societies in Wales and Monmouthshire. Was this the case in regard to the society he refers to? As to the failure of this society, Mr. Creber could have stated the facts had he wished to, seeing that he lives in the district the shows were held in. What is Mr. Creber's point? Does he expect the new show to pay the debts incurred by the Welsh National Cage Bird Society?

The London and Provincial O.S.

Collection of Stuffed Birds.

An Appeal for "Dead Warriors."

Sir,—Whilst thanking you for your kind assistance in previous years, I again, on behalf of the London and Provincial O.S., crave a little of your valuable space to thank the donors who have, since the issue of my last appeal, sent me birds for the above collection, and at the same time, now that the birds are getting through the moult and in good feather, to appeal again to bird-keepers to send to Messrs. Edward Gerrard and Sons, 61, College Place, Camden Town, N.W., any birds in good plumage they may have the misfortune to lose. Messrs. Gerrard and Sons have my instructions as to stuffing.

There are now almost 200 birds in the collection, but I am still open to receive many more. At present not a single class in Greens, Borders, Scotch Fancies, or Belgians is properly represented, and only one class each in Cinnamons, Lancashires, and Lizards is complete. Many classes of Hybrids and British birds are unrepresented, and I still want legions of foreign birds. A number of Canary classes are now complete, and various other classes may be represented, but in some cases perhaps the stuffed bird has not given me satisfaction, consequent on delay in receiving specimens, or from other causes, and so I am still open to receive birds in such classes.

Notwithstanding the fact that during the present time everybody's mind is taken up with the war which is progressing, I think this laudable object should be kept in view, otherwise opportunities might be lost of securing rare and special birds for the collection.

G. CRABB.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

Liverpool Returns Thanks.

Sir,—We beg to tender our sincere thanks to all fanciers who assisted us in making the 1914 show a record, not only in numbers, but for quality. Our thanks are also due, and are hereby tendered, to the local fanciers and friends who, as usual, rallied round us and worked with a will both on the arrival and at the despatch of the exhibits. Their names are legion, and it would be invidious to mention any in particular—they had only one aim, to be "up and doing."

METCALFE AND GREEN.

Sees., Liverpool O.S.

The Proposed Welsh National Cage Bird Show.

An Enthusiastic Preliminary Meeting.

Sir,—A very successful meeting was held at Abertillery show on Oct. 21, H. Campion, Esq., the esteemed President of Abertillery C.B.S., very kindly presiding, and this gentleman is now taking a very deep personal interest in this matter. There was a very large and enthusiastic gathering of fanciers from different parts, including the secretaries of Abersychan, Abertillery, Cardiff, and other societies whose names I could not get. Messrs. G. T. Jones and Teastone, of Brecon, unfortunately could not wait for the meeting, which had to be postponed for two hours owing to judging not being completed. But both these gentlemen expressed themselves as being delighted with the prospects of a Welsh National show, and promised their support, as also did Mr. S. J. Nicholas, of Swansea, who whispered something about a silver cup. So great was the enthusiasm that most fanciers wanted to go full steam ahead. Certain names were proposed to fill the office of sec., chairman, etc., but, as this was only an informal meeting, that business had to be left over until the next meeting.

Some of the objects of a Welsh National show put forward were:—

(1) The revival of some of the now nearly extinct varieties of Canaries and British birds so seldom seen at any of our Welsh shows, viz., Crests, Cinnamons, Scotch Fancies, Belgians, Lancashires, and Lizard Canaries; also the smaller varieties of British and Foreign birds.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnnet contest George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge-street; 17 birds sang, 4 minutes' time singing. 1, Wainwright; 2, Caddy; 3, shared between Plews and Potter.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Quality singing Linnnet contest Old Bird House, Skinners' Arms, Buslingthorpe, Oct. 24; 19 sang. 1st and 2nd shared by Ward and Binns; 3rd, Ward. Judges, C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

Open contest for quality Linnnet singing Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York-road, Oct. 24; 17 birds sang. 1, T. Johnson; 2, Stacey; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, A. Jennings and W. Sissons. Oct. 25, 19 birds sang. 1, A. Richardson; 2, Singleton; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, S. Harcastle and W. Naylor.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnnet and Canary Club quality singing, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Oct. 24. Twenty-one birds entered; the winning bird stood out alone. 1, 2, Whit' Laycock; 3, E. Wood. Judges, Jarrold and Alf. Lorrman; Bros. Nelson (Castleford) time-keepers. Championship match Oct. 25. E. Wood, 1st and 2nd; Ted Howorth, 3rd; 20 birds competed. Judges, Clark, Madden, Alf. Lorrman. Johnson is still out with a challenge to sing any Linnnet in England, quality song.—Alf. Lorrman, Sec.

THE SHOWS.

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BEDLINGTON.

Annual Show, Co-operative Hall, Bedlington, Oct. 24. An ideal room, well lighted and free from draughts, and the exhibits are seen to the best advantage. Entries totalled 350. The strongest classes were the Norwich and Borders. Spl. Seely Bros. Mr. Chas. Fuller performed the Secretarial duties in a skillful manner and was backed up by a strong Committee: Messrs. J. Stephenson, J. Orange, J. Locke, W. Dear, W. Tippet, P. Scott, J. Douglas, G. Brown, T. Thompson, A. T. Thompson, B. G. Collingwood, R. Metcalfe, G. William-on, T. Young, J. Aston and J. Hudspeth. The Stewards got through their work of packing exhibits in good time. Messrs. J. Stanger, Durlam, and J. Hands, Ryton, judged, and gave every satisfaction.

NOR., CL., ETC.: 1, Robson and March, cl. buff, good col., full of subs., bold breast, stands well on perch, wings and tail perfect; 2, Morrison, cl. yell., very smart, wonderful col., good wing carr., plenty of sub.; 3, Russell and Teardale, cl. buff, hot one, good head and neck, not the subs. of winner; vhc, Smiles; he, Armstrong; c, Archbold and Leslie; UNELL, YELL.: 1, Morrison, cl. yell., real model for type and qual.; 2, Wilson, cl. yell., good col. and type, must have pers. cl. hard; 3, Dixon, yell., varieg., good type and qual. of feather, takes spl. for best members Nor. BUFF.: 1, Smiles, mkd. one wing, good head and neck, plenty of subs. and feather; 2, Thompson, buff varieg., a nice type and qual.; 3, Lee, inclined to be on the long side; vhc, Armstrong; he, Calloway; c, Yates. HEN.: 1, Russell and Teardale, cl. yell., good head, neck, col. and qual.; 2, Rowell, cl. buff, good type, not so clean cut behind as winner; 3, Thompson, cl. yell., good type and col., not the size of winners;

(2) To increase the classification and introduce as many new varieties as possible; also to encourage "local" classes.

(3) To help the novice as much as possible and introduce amateur classes.

(4) To increase the prize-money and make six cash awards instead of three, in addition to cups, trophies and specials; also one magnificent cup for the best bird of the year.

(5) To introduce more Welsh judges.

(6) To help small societies in Wales and Monmouthshire who through no fault of their own have had to close down—probably owing to lack of support from exhibitors and the public.

In regard to the working arrangements of the show the following suggestions were made. The National show should be supported by all the thirty-six societies in Wales and Monmouthshire, and also by every individual fancier who is not affiliated to any society. The annual subscription to be paid by each society is two guineas. The committee would be made up of one or not more than two members from these societies. Each society would elect its own representatives. The voting would therefore be equal—the small societies having the same influence in the management of the show as the larger societies. It is suggested to split up Wales and Mon. into seven districts and hold the show each year at that particular town where the railway facilities and other arrangements for the birds, exhibitors, and a "gate," are the best. The show would be held North, South, East and West. Say, Swansea, Brecon, Cardiff, Wrexham, Newport, Llandudno, Llanelli, and so on.

I am arranging a meeting at the Law Courts Hotel, Duke Street, Cardiff, on Saturday, Nov. 7, at 3.30 p.m., when I hope to see all the thirty-six societies represented, and also as many fanciers present as possible. If it is decided to go on with the show, officers will be elected pro tem., and a further meeting arranged to fix venue and date of the first show. I am writing all secretaries throughout Wales and Mon. whose addresses I am taking from CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL, but should I have omitted anyone I should be glad if they would kindly acquaint me of the fact at once.

E. J. BANKS.

14, St. John's Square, Cardiff.

vhc, Humes and Crackett; he, Archbold and Leslie; c, Dixon. BORD., CL. ETC., YELL.: 1, Smith, cl., stylish, well fitting wings and tail, sound col. and beautiful qual.; 2, Espie, lovely qual., neat type and style; 3, Peel, very neat; vhc, Babes; he, Watson; c, Hudspeth. BUFF.: 1, Espie, feather like wax, real Bord. type, neat head, nicely moulded, lovely cond.; 2, Hay, cl. buff, sweet head, lovely wing carr., close up; 3, Watson, four-mkd. buff, nicely rounded body, not the polish of winners; vhc, Graham; he, Smith; c, Charlton and Anderson. HEN.: 1, c, Espie, cl. yell., good head and wings, in the pink; 2, Smart, cl. buff, lovely wings, neat type and style; 3, Purvis, cl. yell., sweet head, inclined to cross wings at times; vhc, Hoagg; he, Smith. YORKS.: 1, Dinning, wonderful length, good head, best of wing carr.; 2, Dixon, cl. yell., rare length and style, hot in col., well drawn; 3, Warren, loses in size; vhc, Moore; he, c, Pyeman. A.O.V.: 1, Lawson, cl. body, D.C., fine size and subs., good drooping centre; 2, Morrison, varieg., C.B., rare size and qual., good skull, nicely lashed; 3, Young, yell. cinn. Bord., grand col. and qual., nice type; vhc, Dixon; he, Rowell; c, Whittaker. LINNET: 1, he, Davison, grand size and col., good pencilling and cond.; 2, McVay, very shapely, good size and col.; 3, vhc, Wilson and May, similar, fails in pencilling, but ex. shape; c, Thompson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Stewart, lovely Buff., good col. and size, full neck and front, in good order; 2, Straker and Snowdon, lovely Fieldfare, plenty of size and markings, good cond.; 3, vhc, Davison, Waxwing; he, Wellford; c, Bates. SELL.: 1, Thompson; 2, Scott; 3, Dixon; vhc, Smiles; he, Lawson; c, Richardson. HYDES' CLAES: 1, Seely and Bros. MEMBERS: NOR., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Dixon, heavily varieg. yell., good col. and qual.; 2, Douglas, varieg., not quite qual. of winner; 3, Thompson, cl. yell.; vhc, Stephenson; he, Douglas; c, Orange. BUFF.: 1, Smiles, good head and neck, lovely subs.; 2, Dixon, slightly mkd. buff, loses in size; 3, Lee, cl. buff; vhc, Murphy; he, Douglas; c, Stephenson. HEN.: 1, vhc, Douglas, plenty size and col., full of qual. and type; 2, Fuller, loses in size to winner; 3, Tippet, not quite the subs.; he, c, Thompson. NOR. CINN.: 1, Thompson, buff, good size, col. and subs.; 2, Carmichael, buff, nice size and col., not the subs.; 3, he, Dixon; vhc, Orange; c, Fuller. BORD., YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Locke, cl., good head and neck, lovely cond., 2nd press hard, 3rd not style of winners; vhc, Leck; he, Fuller; c, Hudspeth. BUFF.: 1, 2, Fuller, 1st grand type and style, lovely cond. and col., 2nd not the polish; 3, Aston; vhc, Leck; he, Hudspeth; c, Aston. HEN.: 1, 3, he, Hudspeth, cl. buff, neat head and wings, nicely moulded, lovely cond.; 2, Leck, yell., good col. and type; vhc, Fuller; c, Aston. YORK.: 1, Tippet, cl. buff, lovely qual., good length of wings, neat head, full size; 2, 3, Fuller, plenty of length and qual., not size of winner. A.O.V.: 1, he, Dixon, D.C., mkd. wings, good front and centre, also subs., fair one; 2, c, Fuller, even mkd. Bord., grand wing carr. and style; 3, Young, Cinn. Bord., good col. and cond.; vhc, Carmichael. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, T. Thompson, Goldf., Mule, plenty of size, good face and col., 2nd buff Linnnet, grand size and col., 3rd Goldf., not size of winner; vhc, Fuller; he, c, Tippet. BRIT.: 1, vhc, Young, good Brantle nice col. and cond.; 2, Fuller; 3, he, Orange; vhc, Young. CIFT: 1, Fuller; he, Dixon; he, Carmichael; c, Dear. NOR. (L., ETC.): 1, 3, Carmichael, leader buff mkd., good size, col. and qual.; 2, vhc, he, Tippet, cl. yell., good type. BORD. (L., ETC.): 1, Murphy, round col., good style and type, wings; 2, 3, he, c, Carmichael; vhc, Tipton. A.O.V.: 1, vhc, Carmichael, Green Crest, nice size and qual.; 2, 3, Tippet, yell. gr. Pe-4, good col. and markings.

SEND US YOUR PROMISE OF A CAGE.

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Liverpool's Crushing Answer to the Croakers.

All Records Broken: Over 1,250 Entries: A Really Brilliant Achievement.

The seventh annual show of the Liverpool O.S. held October 23-24 in the St. Martin's Hall, was supported by the enormous record of 1,250 entries, an object lesson indeed to those societies who through the war years have cancelled their shows. That the show was held was, we understand, due to the dogged determination of about a dozen members, and the success achieved should be a matter of pride to them all.

Mr. J. Walker, the highly esteemed show manager, seemed to be always doing the right thing at the right time. The stewards proved themselves a band of the right sort, with them to think was to act. The careful and judicious manner in which they dealt with the varied and many duties that an open venture entails deserved praise of the highest order. Here are those who kept the house in order: Messrs. W. C. Robinson, R. P. Roberts, A. Parsons, W. Richardson, J. Lloyd, F. and J. Handley, J. Thornton, W. Jones, W. Dornier, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Jones, Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Handley. Mr. H. Boothman (late sec. Manchester O.S.) also rendered most useful help.

The worthy secretaries, Messrs. J. W. Metcalfe and G. Green, appear to thrive on work, and undoubtedly the success of the show must be booked as full credit to them.

The hall in which the exhibits were so finely staged is most suitable, being lofty, spacious and cosy to a degree. Draughts are conspicuous by their absence. At night time the room is magnificently lighted by electricity.

Norwich were a feature of the show. A finer collection of the "short thick" ones we never remember seeing at this well-known fixture. In the champion section were 129 in the six classes, and in the novice section 114 in four classes, 243 in all, an average of over 24 birds per class; a most excellent record.

Hot as Mustard.

Quality was great; competition as keen as "Colman's," as might be expected when such notable stables as Messrs. S. Cook, A. Hirst, J. Thomas, W. Crawshaw, J. Beswick, F. F. Lawson, W. N. Turner and W. Dornier were represented. We did not envy the judge, Mr. J. C. Barnes, the task set him. So close was the merit in many of the classes that two or more sets of winners could have been selected.

Many envious eyes were turned towards the magnificent cl. yell. cock shown by Mr. W. Crawshaw, also to the cl. buff cock owned by Mr. S. Cook. Another full worthy of special mention was the cl. yell hen the property of Mr. J. Thomas. In the novice section Messrs. J. Davies, O. D. Gell, J. N. Buxton and G. H. Cookson benched beauties.

Border Fancies were of a most meritorious description. We have seen larger classes here but never better quality. Real "knock-outs" were exhibited by Messrs. G. Greenwell, J. Johnson, R. Gentlemen, J. S. Wilson and J. Nicholson. Cinnamons were not in abundance, yet most of the "cream" were present. Nice birds were shown by Messrs. W. Dornier, Mrs. Tweddle, A. Bentley, and J. E. Hartup. Lizards as pretty as paint one saw, Messrs. J. Rukin, F. Hamer, W. P. Barnes and E. Ollershaw putting down some of the right stamp.

Norwich Greens contained several very taking birds, sound in colour and of good shape. Biggest plums were captured by Messrs. S. Woods, G. Johnston, A. Parsons and H. Stead. Special for best Green went to Mr. G. Greenwell, his Buff Green border doing the needful. That for best novice Green fell to a real good Yell. Green Nor. owned by Mr. A. Parsons. 21s. special most points went to Mr. J. W. Metcalfe.

The Green Yorkshires were a fine lot of birds. Great improvement has been made in this variety the last two or three years. The yellows, cocks and hens, are slim, good in feather, and well up on leg. The unlighted birds were the pick of the lot. Mr. Smith's unlighted yell. should, with care, make up into a real good bird. In the Novice Section we liked Mr. Steinart's yellow; this won sp. for best bird shown by a novice. Messrs Metcalfe, Handley, Benson and Young, Skilling, Jen s, Smith and Robinson staged some grand birds. In the clear or ticked Yorkshire section were some of the cracks from Yorkshire. Messrs. Dykes, Ogden Bros., Norton and Radley put down fine teams. The Norwich Cinnamons were not a good lot; they show too much feather and have heads like Crestbreds. Would that we had a Quinton, a Thackrey or a Naylor back again, then we should have type and quality with lovely carriage. Many of the birds are wild and will not show themselves; more time should be spent in training.

Great Value for Money.

The Selling and Stock classes contained some marvellous value for money, and quite a run of sales was made. Mules and Hybrids were simply overwhelming in numbers and varieties of crosses in the two classes provided, and extra prizes were given. Many last year's cracks were present and gave a good account of themselves. In one or two instances notable champions were not quite up to their best form, notably Martin and Archer's Clear Linnet Canary (Perfection), his inner wing flights not being quite drawn up and settled yet; he will improve. Also the sensational "Snowflake" Canary-Bullfinch (Parlett) was cardless owing to his having lost the outer wing flights of one wing. Almost every cross was to be seen, and there were too many for each cross to get in the cards. Exhibitors had sent from England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales and the Isle of Man, both in Hybrid and British classes. The British classes were simply superb. Such quantity and quality never before assembled at Liverpool Show. Exhibitors deserve the very highest praise for making the show such a glorious success in such trying times. Goldfinches were fairly forward in the moult, and competition keen, but some of the best will take higher places when colours have developed. Linnets were very forward and only birds of the highest grade could get in. The Siskin, Redpoll or Twite class was a regular knock-out; 36 of the very best; extra prizes were given, and the Show Managers promise next year to give separate classes for this group; fanciers should please remember this.

The attendance of fanciers was great and sales were numerous. Catalogues were on sale early, and prize-money was paid on the first day of show to all winners present. On the Saturday all railway birds were dispatched before 5, and the entire room was cleared by 6.30. Extra prize money was given in all classes over 30.

Messrs. W. Mundell and W. Cowgill judged Yorkshires, J. C. Barnes Norwich, G. Large Borders, A. Wellings Lizards, and C. Houlton Brit. and For., and their awards were well received.

Mr. J. C. Barnes' Classes.

NOR. GREEN SELF YELL. (6): 1, Abbot, grand shape, subs., and car., magnificent col., teeming with qual., a charmer; 2, Handley, plenty of size, superb feather, rich tone of col., longer in build, yet a good one; 3, Lomax, nice qual. and col., neat head, neck and chest, inclined to be heavy behind; 4, Lawson, shapely, nice size, capital col., in pen around head and neck, should look well shortly; vhc, Woods; No. 5, Hitchen, w.c., foul wing. BUFF (13): 1, 4, Lawson, leader a monster, rattling shape and car., beautifully clothed, rich col., gem, 4th exquisite col. and feather, neat head and neck, jaunty, hardly the subs. of winner; 2, Barker, heaps of qual. and col., grand shape, delightful car., clean cut, pressed hard; 3, Woods, cobby, A1 col., silky feather, worth its place; vhc, Lomax; hc, Howe; c, Handley. FOUL YELL. (7): 1, c, Walker, wonderful qual. and qual., rare shape, massive in build, neat car.; 2, Lawson, foul tail, shapely, good subs., rich feather, moves well, beaten a little in col. only; 3, Abbott, foul tail, good in body, nice wing car., all there for col. and qual.; 4, Ball, foul wing, somewhat on the small side, yet capital shape, feather and col., in the pink; vhc, Thornton; hc, Woods. BUFF (15): 1, Barnes, foul tail, short and thick set, well up in size, beautiful qual. and col., still a great exhibit and close up; 3, Dornier, foul tail, rare subs., splendid col. and qual., bit fat on front which detracts from the outline, still a good one; 4, Thornton, for col. and qual. all one need desire, neat head, neck and wing car., not the thickness through as those above; vhc, McAndrew; hc, Sykes; c, Walker. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Johnston, self, lovely type and qual., col. superb, dainty car., good subs.; 2, Thornton, foul tail, grand shape and feather, nice size, capital wings, beaten in tone of col.; 3, Ball, self, A1 col. and qual., good subs., longer in barrel, wings and tail, neat car., a little "good 'un"; hc, Mrs. Tweddle; c, Handley. BUFF (13): 1, Woods, self, very massive in build, grand shape and qual., superb tone of col., fine car., in rare trim; 2, Thornton, self, true type, teeming with qual., nice size, lacking a little in col., yet not far behind; 3, vhc, Handley, self, richly clothed, A1 col., neat head expression, might be deeper fronted, fights well carried; 4, Lomax, foul tail, good feather, nice col. and size, bit loose behind, which tells against it; hc, Walker; c, Barker. CHAMP. NOR. YELL. ETC. (23) Rare class and easily two sets of winners could have been selected: 1, Crawshaw, mld. wings and eyes, one of the best we have seen for many a long day, near on perfection, will take some stopping, beautifully staged; 2, Cook, ablaze with col., exquisite feather, wonderful head, neck and chest, delightful car., wee bit longer in build, yet quite capable of beating more than beats it, gem without doubt; 3, hc, Thomas, grandly shaped cl., plenty of subs., unique for qual., rare character, good 3rd; 4, Turner, monster of a cl., red-hot, soft silky texture, jaunty car., deficient in tail, when properly through will be amongst the "nuts"; vhc, Beswick; c, Leigh. BUFF (28) A class containing many well worthy of a 1st prize: 1, Cook, cl., extraordinary merit, great subs., feathered to perfection, fed to a nicety, and for shape might unheatable, an eye-opener; 2, 3, Crawshaw, former mld. wings and eyes, smooth as polished marble, true type, shows to perfection, might have wee bit more colour, latter var., hot enough to fire his "happy home," lovely feather and shape, well up in subs., full of action, clean cut away; 4, Hirst, massive var., capital feather, good shape, with more col. would want beating; vhc, Johnson; hc, Thorpe; c, Thomas. YELL. HEN (17): 1, Thomas, charmingly clothed cl., rare size, rich col., best of car. throughout; 2, Cook, sweetly moulded cl., superb qual. and col., dainty in movement, not a feather wrong, beaten in size only, gem; 3, Beswick, cl., type, qual. and col. predominates, not a glances, but bewitching, and should do well; 4, Nixon, cobby, beautiful feather and col., tight as a Java, smart car., very catchy to the eye, still not overdone with size; vhc, Thorpe; hc, Woodward; c, Marsh. BUFF (18): 1, Cook, cl., wonderful qual., col. and shape, plenty of subs., rattling car., an easy win; 2, Thomas, cl., built on colossal lines, grand outline, gowned in richness, scarcely so gaudy in col.; 3, Beswick, massive cl., lovely shape and car., A1 qual., paler in tone, still bonny; 4, Dornier, cl., full of col., teeming with qual., lovely shape, neat car. of flights and tail; vhc, Barnes; hc, Miss A. Scott; c, Norman. UNFLIG. YELL. (22) Very choice lot: 1, Lawson, superbly feathered and delightful fed cl., great subs., slashing type and car., with luck has a great future, claimed at catalogue price, £5; 2, 4, Crawshaw, a brace to be envied, leader a beautifully shaped cl., well up in subs., capital qual. and col., neat in car., extremely promising, 4th red-hot cl., short and thick set, A1 qual., full of true characteristics; 3, Dornier, rare size, shapely, wonderful cl., not yet tightened up, should want reckoning with, worthy of this position; vhc, Parlett; hc, Boothman; c, Thomas. BUFF (22): 1, Norman, model of a cl., smooth as a mirror, exquisite qual. and col., well up in subs., clean cut away, promising; 2, Lawson, cl., lovely type and feather, good size and car., well across perch, hardly so rich in col., still a gem; 3, Thorpe, cl., lovely symmetry, teeming with qual. and col., not overdone with size, but should come on with time; 4, Fielding, cl., very shapely, A1 qual., nice subs. and car., little pale in col., still beauty; vhc, Cottam; hc, McEarlane; c, Yates. NOV. GREEN YELL. (4): 1, Parsons, foul tail, fine tone of col., shapely and good size, would not disgrace itself in the "upper circle"; 2, 4, Stead, foul tail and self respectively, both nice col. and feather, but could do with more subs.; 3, Lester, self, full of col., rich qual., bit slim in build. BUFF HEN (4): 1, 4, Stead, both foul tail, winner a nice one, 4th little free in feather, yet nice col., wants a bit more subs.; 2, Lester, self, good qual. and col., shapely, on the small side; 3, Parsons, self, colour nice, size lacking. NOV. NOR. YELL. (15): 1, Davies, cl., round as a ball, tight as wax, grand col., feather and car., capable of doing good service in champion section; 2, Cook and Son, var., well up in subs., capital col., shapely, bit wavy in feather, still very bonny; 3, Fides, mld. wing and head, ablaze, superb feather, good size, bit longer in barrel flights and tail; 4, Curphy, bonny shaped var., A1 qual., paler but neat; vhc, Roberts; hc, Webber; c, Howarth. BUFF (32) Grand class: 1, Gell, mld. head, rare size and shape, silky feather, rich col., moves nicely, extremely taking; 2, Cook and Son, cl., nice symmetry, rattling col. and qual., not the subs. of above, still pressed hard; 3, Webber, cl., capital shape, superb qual., neat car., hardly

so rich in tone of col., good 3rd; extra 3, Cookson, mld. wings and eyes, full of col., rattling feather, nice shape and size, good car.; 4, Nicholls, well up in subs., superior col., shapely, hardly so rich in texture, yet one we liked; ex 4, Davies, lovely col. and feather, nice type and car., not quite the subs. of above, still pretty; vhc, Warburton; hc, Smalley; c, Marshall. UNFLIG. (44) Biggest class in show, and a leader to deal with: 1, Buxton, very meritorious cl. buff, magnificent shape, delightful col. and qual., well up in size, smooth as glass, grand car.; 2, Goring, cl. yell., sweetly moulded, richly fed, good in qual., nice size, clean cut away; 3, Underwood, cl. buff, feathered to perfection, lovely col., true type, nice subs., full of action, close up; ex 3, c, Bennett, cobby var., red-hot, silky texture, good in shape and car., well worth the extra prize; 4, Tipping, shapely cl. buff, rich col., neatly frosted, sweet expression throughout; ex 4, Proctor, cl. yell., capital feather and col., true type, not of the biggest but of the best; vhc, Chilton; hc, Wilson. HENS (23) Nice col. class: 1, Cookson, richly fed cl. yell., lovely outline, nice size and car., extremely graceful; 2, Steele, current year cl. buff, tight as a Java, superior qual. and col., nice subs., clean under, close up; 3, Chilton, neatly shaped cl. yell., A1 qual. and col., grand flights and tail, again close up; 4, Marshall, cl. buff, good shaped body, bit weak in head and neck, superb feather and col., in the pink; vhc, Davies; hc, McConaghe; c, Cook and Son.

YORKS. GREEN SELF YELL. (13)

1, Metcalfe, very stylish, lovely head, grand feather, wing carriage perfect, piped tail, rich colour; 2, hc, Handley, well up on leg, grand wings and tail, good head, hoxv feather; 3, Jones, rare length, very breedv, long flights, well placed, neat tail, a little open in neck; 4, Skilling, typical, good head, wings and tail, full of quality; vhc, Benson and Young; c, Robinson. BUFF (11): 1, Handley, a good bird, full of quality, neat round head, grand wing carriage, piped tail; 2, hc, Benson and Young, good head, boxy feather, well up on leg, wings well placed, shows a little open on breast; 3, Skilling, rare length, piped tail, rich colour, bit unsteady; 4, Metcalfe, rare length, very stylish, round colour, boxy feather; vhc, Jones; c, Abbott. FOUL YELL. (8): 1, Handley, foul tail and wings, rich colour, boxy feather, nice type, well on leg, nicely put down; 2, 3, Metcalfe, 2nd, foul tail, was down when we saw it; 3rd, foul tail, good head, piped tail, full of quality, nice position, stands well up, very showy; 4, hc, McDermott, foul tail and hue, sound colour, very typical, on the stout side; vhc, Skilling; c, Robinson. BUFF (8): 1, Skilling, foul tail, position A1, neat round head, wings well placed, piped tail, full of qual.; 2, vhc, Metcalfe, foul tail, neat head, grand wing carriage, piped tail, rich level col.; 3, Benson and Young, foul tail and wings, good round head, sound col., well on leg, piped tail, good wing carriage; 4, Abbott, foul tail, wings and neck, a bird of nice quality and position, grand wing carriage, piped tail, would do with a little longer; hc, Bell; c, Robinson. UNFLIG. SELF OR F. YELL. (12): 1, 2, 3, Smith, 1st, a very good young bird, will make a name for its owner if properly looked after; 3rd, grand tail and wings, neat head, full of quality, very stylish, well placed flights, piped tail; 2, 4, Cooper, neat tail, position A1, good head, nice quality of feather, neat wing, nicely carried; 4th, piped tail, wings well braced to side, well up on leg; vhc, Rawsthorne; hc, Metcalfe; c, McDermott; a good class. BUFF (15): 1, vhc, Jones; 1st, position A1, full of quality, grand wing carriage, piped tail, level colour; 2, McDermott, bit bad in wing carriage, rich colour, well up on leg, good head; 3, hc, Smith, self, neat head, long flights and tail, sound colour, typical; 4, Cooper, self, sound colour, good wings, well placed, shade on the stout side; c, Metcalfe. SELF OR F. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Robinson, foul wings and tail, feather like wax, lovely wing carriage, piped tail, well on leg, neat head, well braced; 2, hc, Metcalfe, self, lovely type and quality, level colour throughout; 3, Jones, foul tail and wings, neat head, boxy feather, good pos.; 4, Abbott, self, very stylish, slim, grand wings and tail; vhc, McDermott; c, Handley. BUFF HEN (9): 1, Handley, foul, beautiful feather, good wing carriage, piped tail, position A1, very steady; 2, McDermott, foul tail, bit coarse in feather, long flights and tail, fine position; 3, 4, c, Metcalfe, self, bit on the stout side, nice wings and piped tail, level colour; 4th, self, bit strong, well on leg, neat head, good wing carriage, level colour; vhc, Hickson; hc, Bell. NOR. CINN. YELL. CK. (8): 1, 4, Mrs. Tweddle, 1st pale in colour, good head and neck, nice wing carriage, fine quality; 2, hc, Dornier, 2nd, blaze of colour, good head, true to type, very wild, we think should have won; 3, vhc, Bentley, 3rd bit coarse in feather, rare size; 4, Mrs. Tweddle, very wet when we saw it; c, Wilson. BUFF (7): 1, Bentley, rare size and shape; 2, 4, Dornier, 2nd, rich colour, nice size; 3, c, Tweddle, 3rd very wild; vhc, Proctor. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Hartup, buff, good head, rich level colour, good wings, nice type; 2, 3, 4, Dornier; 2nd, yellow, rich colour, fair size, good head; 3rd, buff, would not show itself; 4th, buff, good head, rich col.; vhc, Smalley; hc, Belsher; c, Wilson. HENS (11): 1, Hartup, nice buff, bit wild; 2, Procter, yellow, good head, nice quality; 3, Mrs. Tweddle, buff, good head, rich colour; 4, Smalley, yell., rich colour, short feather, wants a little more subs.; vhc, Bentley; hc, Dornier; c, Wilson. NOVICE YORKS. GREENS. YELL. CK. (22): 1st, special for best novice bird, 4, Stewart, 1, a gem, well on leg, grand wings and tail, position A1, and very steady, 4th, foul, grand type, full of quality; 2, Evans, self, nice type and quality, rich, level colour; 3, Handley, foul, good

pos., well placed wing, neat folded tail; vhc, Richardson; hc, c, Parson. BUFF (16): 1, c, Smith, 1st, foul, neat head, well placed wing, piped tail, very slim and stylish; 2, Evans, self, level colour throughout, well up on leg, grand wings and tail; 3, Richardson, self, nice type and quality, round head, level colour; 4, Braeken, foul tail, neat round head, well placed wings, very stylish; vhc, Longmore; hc, Evans. SELF OR F. YELL. HENS (12): 1, Steinart, self, rich level colour, very slim and stylish, grand wings and piped tail; 2, Richardson, self, neat head, rich level colour, boxy feather; 3, Smith, self, very neat, well on leg, good head, rich colour; 4, Browne, self, nice wings and tail, rich colour; very breezy, good head; vhc, Davies; hc, Longmore; c, Evans, a good class. BUFF HENS (3): 1, c, Rogers, 1st, foul tail, boxy feather, grand wing carriage, very typical, good head; 2, Steinart, self, true to type, very slim, rich, level colour, grand wings, well washed; 3, Bell, self, neat head, rich colour, full of quality, very typical; 4, Smith, self, nice type and quality; vhc, Aigie; hc, Browne.

Mr. W. A. Cowgill's Classes.

YORKS. CL. TRD., ETC., YELL. (16): 1, Dykes, rich colour, feathered like a Java, well on leg, grand wings and piped tail, clean breast, good head; 2, Norton, pale colour, boxy feather, good head and neck, clean breast, well placed wings, piped tail; 3, Greatrex, rich colour, boxy feather, well on leg, good position, well placed wings, piped tail; 4, Hirst, pale colour, on the strong side, boxy feather, good head, well placed wings, position A1; vhc, Knowles; hc, Linaker; c, Ogden Bros. BUFF (15): 1, Norton, neat round head, lovely feather, level colour throughout, well placed wings, piped tail, position A1; 2, Radley, very breedv, well on leg, feathered like wax, good head, well braced to side, piped tail; 3, Pomfret, cap-marked, on the stout side, rich colour, long flights and tail; 4, Knowles, cap and wing marked, lovely feather, long flights and piped tail, nice position, very steady; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Williams; c, Hellewell. YELL. HENS (10): 1, Cafferty and Son, cap marked, feathered like wax, grand style, good head, wing and tail; 2, Dykes, unlighted, level colour, boxy feather, well on leg, nice position; 3, Knowles, very slim and typical, quality A1, well placed wings, piped tail; 4, Dr. Craig, grizzled on neck, rich colour, boxy feather, very stylish; vhc, Hirst; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Pyman. BUFF (11): 1, Ogden Bros., boxy feather, typical, neat head, grand wing, piped tail; 2, Lister and Hudson, slim, well on leg, good head, well placed wings, full of quality; 3, Dykes, stylish, neat head, grand wings and tail, boxy feather; 4, Williams, varieg. Cinn. marked, rich col., lovely feather, nice type, rare length; vhc, Pyman; hc, Warrington Bros.; c, Benson and Young. YELL. UNFLIG. (23): 1, Dykes, well up on leg, full of quality, long light and piped tail, nice position; 2, vhc, Dr. Craig, good head, boxy feather, rare wings and tail, good position; 3, Ogden Bros., full of quality, nice type, long light and tail; 4, Smith Bros., thigh tick, boxy feather, good wing carriage, piped tail, slim and typical; vhc, Knowles; c, Greatrex. BUFF (11): 1, Ogden Bros., slim, grand carriage, lovely feather, neat head, piped tail; 2, Dykes, wing tkd., rich level colour, shade strong, long flights and tail, well on leg; 3, Woodward, fails a little in head, boxy feather, nice wing carriage, compact tail; 4, Norton, cheek marked, bit pointed on brush, level colour, boxy feather, rare position, good flights and tail; vhc, Robertshaw; hc, Pyman; c, Benson and Young. NOVICE YORKS. YELL. (30): 1, Alston, rare position, long flights and tail, boxy feather, rich colour; 2, Ellis, very slim and typical, boxy feather, well placed wings and piped tail; 3, Stott, good head, rich colour, rare length, well on leg; 4, Rawsthorne, full of quality, rare length, well on leg; vhc, Spiby; hc, Brierley. BUFF (19): 1, Henderson and Crosby, pale colour, very typical, boxy feather, good head, well placed wings, piped tail; 2, Southwood, slim, well on leg, nice short feather, very stylish; 3, Hawkins, boxy feather, long flights and tail, rich colour; 4, Watkins, eyes and wings, rich colour, boxy feather, position A1; vhc, Holden; hc, Nixon; c, Harrison. YELL. HENS (25): 1, c, Rothwell, unlighted, nice type, full of qual., neat head, well on leg; 2, Southwood, very slim and stylish, boxy feather, nice wing carriage; 3, Simmons, boxy feather, good wings and tail, neat head; 4, Lowe, neat head, clean on breast, long flights and tail; vhc, Huyton; hc, Spiby. BUFF HENS (23): 1, Parker, pale colour, typical boxy feather, good wings and tail; 2, hc, Rothwell, very slim, full of quality, very stylish; 3, Corbett, badly put down, nice feather and position; 4, J. W. Handley; vhc, T. Handley; c, Brierley. YELL. UNFLIG. (27): 1, Henderson and Crosby, rich col., grand wings and tail, position A1, neat head, boxy feather; 2, Greatrex, eye and cheek, rich colour, boxy feather, position; 3, T. Handley, wing ticked, rich colour, quality, position; 4, hc, Corbett, shows little frill on breast, long flights and tail; vhc, Brierley; c, Shaw. BUFF (30): 1, Ellis, grand type and quality, neat head, well placed wings and folded tail; 2, Rothwell, grizzled head and neck, boxy feather, grand wings and tail; 3, Corbett, rich colour and position, full of quality, piped tail; 4, Harrison, shade on the stout side, nice wing carriage, position; vhc, Brierley; hc, Crawshaw; c, Henderson and Crosby.

Mr. Geo. Large's Classes.

BORDER SELF OR FOUL YELL. (17): 1, Middleton, self, not a feather misplaced, exquisite shape, delightful col., free in action, well selected; 2, Campbell, self, equal to winner in every respect except col., and not far behind in that either, real beauty; 3, Parker, lovely shape and col., full of go., not quite so rich in texture, yet of great character; 4, Booth and Hampson, self, full of style, good shape and feather, lacking a little in tone of col.; vhc, Whitelaw; hc, Affleck; c, Davison. BUFF (23): 1, Greenwell, self, unbeatable for col. and qual., delightful symmetry, most pleasing expression of head, shows for all it is worth, real gem; 2, Montgomery, self, another real eye-opener, very little removed from being as good as winner, staged to perfection; 3, Affleck, self, lovely feather and col., grand shape, fine action, if anything little bit out at waist, still choice; 4, Parker, self, shapely and full of action, nicely clothed, hardly so bright in col.; vhc, Collier; hc, Middleton; c, Campbell. YELL. HEN (17): 1, 4, Johnson, brace of beauties, self, 1st magnificent shape, teeming with qual. and col., shows to perfection, staged to the moment, 4th capital qual. and col., neat shape body, nice wing car., might be a little fuller in head character; 2, Collier, self, less col. than winner, but otherwise possessing equal merit; 3, Campbell, rich col., superb feather, works well, hardly so neat in shape, still one we liked; vhc, hc, Montgomery; c, Affleck. BUFF (15): 1, Whitelaw, self, delightful feather and col., slashing shape, free in action, pretty as paint, gem of gems; 2, Greenwell, self, lovely shape and qual., beautiful expression of head, good neck, lacking a little in colour only to winner; 3, Parker, self, for col. and qual. all one need wish for, beaten

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somewhat in outline, still smart and stylish; 4. Johnston, self, Al qual., rich tone of col., capital shaped body, neat wing car., wanting a little in head; vhc. Campbell; he. Collier; c. Affleck. CL. YELL. (17): 1. Gentleman, topper of a cl., perfect feather, exquisite col., grand shape and car.; 2. Wilson, cl., feathered like a Java, shone like a mirror, grand body, wings and tail, bit snaky in head, yet a good one; 3. Hudson, cl., good in shape, nice action, capital feather and col., hardly ready, in pen around cheeks; 4. he. Cunby, mkd. wing, smooth as glass, neat head, neck and body, little long in flight and tail; vhc. Nelson; c. Jones. BUFF (21) Fine class: 1. Wilson, very fine cl., delightful type, superb feather and col., stylish to a degree; 2. Madagan, cl., excellent shape, Al quad. and col., shows well in the pink, very close up indeed; 3. Macfarlane, mkd. head, all there for col. and shape, good action, not the richness of feather; 4. Shackley, mkd. neck, nice shape and tone, free in movement, again bit harsh, yet very neat; vhc. Nicholson; he. Espie; c. Elmwood. YELL. HEN (14): 1. Nelson, splendidly clothed cl., pure in col., true to type, charming worker; 2. Nicholson, cl., sweetly moulded, Al qual. and col., full of nerve, must have pressed; 3. Madagan, cl., good in shape and feather, free mover, lacking a little in col.; 4. Cubby, superior qual. and col., neat head and neck, little longer in build; vhc. Heaton; he. Pennington; c. Bennett. BUFF (19): 1. Shackley, cl., grand shape, d. lightful col. and qual., full of action; 2. Pennington, cl., lovely type, not a feather misplaced, rich tone of col., shows nicely, pressed hard; 3. Madagan, cl., impressive shape, Al qual., hardly so bright in col.; 4. Deason, cl., good in shape, col. and qual., loses in style somewhat; vhc. Cubby; he. Green; c. Philpot. UNEVEN (21): 1. 2. Nicholson, marvellous brace, yell., cinn. mkd. wings and eyes, bordering on perfection, 2nd yell. green mkd. wings and eyes, a clinker, two of the finest we have seen for some time; 3. Hilton, yell., green mkd. wings and eyes, rare shape and col., fine action, not the qual., still pleasing; 3. Macfarlane, yell., green marked wings and eyes, sweet shape, Al quality., moves well, falls col.; vhc. Pennington; he. Johnston; c. Shackley. NOV. BIRD. GR. YELL. (8): 1. 3. 4. Collier, bonny trio, superb col., smooth as glass, lovely shape and style, 3rd sweetly moulded, Al col. and qual., free in action, close up, 4th smaller, but nice shape, good col. and qual., works well; 2. vhc. Redpath, capital feather and col., neat head, neck and body, longer in wings and tail; he. Bixter; c. Longmore. HEN (8): 1. 2. 3. Collier, a smart team, grand shape, col. and qual., not a feather wrong, full of nerve, extremely choice, 2nd shapely and full of style, nice tone of col., hardly so rich in texture, 3rd good shape and qual., Al col., hardly so good in expression of head; 4. Longmore, silky feather, rich tone of col., shapely, bit down when taking notes; vhc. c. Redpath; he. Enever.

Mr. A. Wellings' Classes.

LIZ., GOLD CAP (9): 1. c. Rukin, rare size and shape, superb ground col., beautifully and profusely rowed, in great fettle; 2. Hamer, shapely, excellent qual., rich col., delightfully spangled, beaten only in size; 3. Barnes, good shape, col., and feather, neat work, not of the biggest, still a beauty; 4. Hampshire, sweetly moulded, rattling col., nice rowing, again on the small side rather; vhc. Ollershaw; he. Bosworth. SILVER (9): 1. c. Hamer, well up in size, superior qual., rich col., profuse and distinct in spangling, pretty as paint; 2. Barnes, shapely, nice subs., full of neat work, lovely col., very close up; 3. Green and Sons, good shape and qual., nicely rowed, not the col., yet worth its place; 4. Ollershaw, on the small side, still possessing true characteristics, put down in the pink; vhc. Rukin; he. Hampshire. GOLD BKN. (7): 1. Barnes, rare size, superb qual. and delightful col., profuse and clearly defined in spangling, gem of gems; 2. Ollershaw, plenty of subs., very shapely, tight, lovely col., grandly mkd., must have pressed; 3. Rukin, model for type, superbly clothed, prettily spangled, not of the biggest but of the best; 4. Hamer, lovely col. and Al qual., neat working, again on the small side; vhc. Stansfield. SILVER (13): 1. Hamer, wonderful subs., smooth as wax, exquisite qual. and col., best of spangling, one of the first water; 2. Hampshire, rich qual. and col., nice size, spangling neatly rowed, hardly so bold as winner; 3. he. Ollershaw, shapely, Al col., built on smaller lines, yet most bewitching, good 3rd; 4. Bosworth, good shape, rare col., superb feather, beautiful work, one we liked; vhc. Barnes; c. Rukin. HENS (13): 1. 4. c. Rukin, smart team, leader a rattling cl. cap Silver, well up in size, grand shape and col., finely mkd., knock-out; 2. Barnes, Gold, bkn. cap, shapely, clinking col., neatly and profusely rowed, must have pressed; 3. Hamer, Silver cap, good shape and qual., rich col., nicely mooned, not the size of winner; 4. Rukin, Gold, cl. cap, full of col., nice shape and style, even in rowing, worth its place; vhc. he. Ollershaw. NOR. CINN. YELL. (9): 1. 4. Mrs. Tweddle, plenty of subs., good shape and qual., nice tone of col., clean cut away, 4th very shapely, exquisite qual. and col., not overdone with size, yet taking; 2. he. Dormer, massive in build, delightful shape, ablaze with col., grandly burnished, our choice; 3. vhc. Bentley, good in size, shape and qual., superb col., bit faulty in wing car., which tells against it; c. Wilson. BUFF (7): 1. he. Bentley, magnificent feather and col., lovely shape, slashing polish, real gem; 2. 4. Dormer, rich col., superbly clothed, fine size and shape, in the pink, very close up, 4th shapely, good col., Al qual., beaten in subs.; 3. c. Mrs. Tweddle, well up in size, capital col., nice shape, not the richness of feather; vhc. Proctor. UNFLIG. (13): 1. Hartup, buff, plenty of size, capital qual., nice shape and col., very promising; 2. 3. 4. Dormer, a magnificent team, leader a charming yell., lovely shape, size and feather, ablaze with col., of great richness, ours for choice, 3rd buff, abundance of subs., shapely, Al qual., hardly the col. of winner, 4th buff, plenty of size, nice shape and feather, bit flat in col., yet one we liked; vhc. the Snalley; he. Belsher; c. Wilson. HENS (11): 1. Hartup, buff, short and thick set, well feathered, good in col., jaunty car., beauty; 2. Proctor, model of a yell., full of col., teeming with quad., pressed for premier honours; 3. Mrs. Tweddle, buff, built on smaller lines, but Al col. and qual., lovely shape, good 3rd; 4. Snalley, yell., superb feather and col., shapely, on small side; vhc. Bentley; he. Dormer; c. Wilson.

Mr. Houlton's Classes.

SELL. PAIRS (23): 1. Linaker, 2. Guy, 3. Bailey, 4. Barnes; vhc. Radley; he. Willson; c. Metcalfe. SINGLE (26): 1. Ramsden, 2. Cottam, 3. Guy, 4. Hollowell; vhc. Swainson; he. Johnson; c. Jeffreys. HEN: 1. O. Parlett, 2. Radley, 3. Guy, 4. Metcalfe; vhc. Parlett; he. Procter; c. Andrews. STOCK: A Price, 1. Metcalfe, 2. Rushton, 3. Forrest, 4. Wright; vhc. he. Handley; c. Bennett. MILLS (20) All sorts of Light and Dark Canary Hybrids, and a grand lot, too: 1. c. Wil on, leader a very bright natural colour apparently, flowing with it all through, in fine condition, 2. 3. he. Martin and Archer, nearly cl. Green-Can. leader, in grand form, 3rd well known cl. Linnet, not quite perfect

In wings yet, or might have won; extra 3. Dixon, very smart Even Mkd. Yell. Gold-Can., grand size, shape, col., qual., and cond.; 4. Alexander, very fine Dark Linnet-Can., in grand plumage and cond.; extra 4. Gill, good size and rich coloured Dark Yell. Gold-Can., in splendid form; he. Parlett. HYBRIDS (18) A grand lot of crabs: 1. H. Walsh, noted Redpoll-Bull., in rare fighting trim; 2. vhc. Oldham, very rich coloured Gold-Bull., nice size, glossy cond.; 3. Wilson, grand Chaff-Green, perfect feather; 4. Booth and Hampson, fine Bramble-Chaff., full of colour, markings and condition; he. Whitney and Son; c. Alexander. All these and more out of tickets equal to win at most ordinary shows. We hear of more Mule classes for next year here. GOLDF. (11): 1. Fairhurst, fine size and shape, rare expansive blaze, well defined, bright colours all over, good tanning, moons and bars, fine cond.; 2. Rothwell, lovely moons, bars, blaze and breast, nicely defined tanning, silky cond., runs well up; 3. Francis, very level in breast feather, neat blaze, moons and bars, right shape, fine cond., will deepen in colours; 4. he. Davis, good coloured birds; vhc. Walsh; c. Leicester. LINNET (22) Capital lot: 1. Parlett, fine all round Linnet, look better if a little brighter; 2. Pitchford, very large, good shape, nice markings, fine cond.; 3. Oldham, good size, shape, col., and markings, fine cond.; 4. Mulcahy all the way from Dublin, nice type, good col., markings and cond., well up in size; vhc. Lockett; he. Leicester; c. Davies. Some out of tickets when quite ready will change the winners here. GREENF. (10): 1. he. Fairhurst, regular swell, best of col. feather and cond.; 2. Bond and Son, really smart hot col. bull, best possible cond.; 3. Jeffries, equally good, as alike as two peas; 4. Carter, rare good col. and size, beaten in tightness only; vhc. Barker; c. Lockett. SKIN, ETC. (26) A really tip-top lot; extra prizes were allowed:

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"Fanciers Are Still Alive!" Writes Our Reporter.

This show, held Oct. 21, at Gymnasium Hall, proved highly successful, four hundred birds being staged, an increase of one hundred over last year's total. This should encourage other show committees not to be too hasty in cancelling their fixtures, as it is evident that fanciers are still alive, and not all panic-stricken, as some people would have us believe. The hall was excellently lighted from the roof the exhibits in every part of the room being easily seen. Yorks. and novice classes were the features of the show, every class being well filled and containing in nearly every instance a double set of winners. The two classes of Borders (open) were well supported, as also were the novice classes in this section. British were not up to usual numbers for a Welsh show, it being rather early yet to have them in full bloom. The exhibits throughout were of high order, many notable winners being put down. The Show Manager, Mr. W. Newell, had everything well in hand and was well supported by a hard-working band of stewards, Messrs. G. Thomas, A. Parfitt, R. Richards, W. Cooper, W. Terrett and O. Russell. The Sec., Mr. H. H. Mortimer, is a very obliging and courteous official, and though we understand this is his first venture as Secretary, he carried out his duties very successfully. Mr. Jno. Robson judged.

NOR. YELL. CL. (4): 1. Wells, cl., beautifully moulded, nicely rounded head, well filled neck, correct wings, a blaze of col., in perfect bloom; 2. Mortimer, cl., close up in type, hardly the col. of leader; 3. Davies, cl., good rich col., nice wings and tail, trifle slimmer; vhc. Gough. BUFF (7): 1. Broome, cl., grand size, best of shape, neat wings, beautifully meaded, vhc. 2. Weeks, correct type, grand qual., loses trifle in subs.; 3. Tedstone, cl., beautifully rounded head, well filled neck, best of wings, some thought might have been 2nd; 4. he. Jones, wing mkd., grand qual. and col.; vhc. Greaves and Richards; c. Hill. VAR. (6): 1. Tedstone, buff, grand size, lovely type and qual., nicely buffed, good wings and tail; 2. James and Wells, yell., grand col., lovely shape, could do with a bit more size; 3. Lewis, eye and wing mkd. buff, lovely shape and cond.; 4. Jones, buff, good size and shape, trifle too feathery; vhc. Broome; he. Mortimer. HEAVILY VAR. (4): 1. Davies, foul yell. green, a real topper, grand col. and qual., beautifully rounded, well filled neck, grand wings and tail; 2. 4. Neill, var. buff, correct shape, nice wings and tail; 3. Mortimer, foul yell. green, lovely qual. and col., loses size to leader. YELL. HEN (2): 1. Tedstone, tdk. yell., good col. and qual., nice shape; 2. Jones, larger, nice type. BUFF (6): 1. Jones, grizzle head mkd., grand size and shape, neat wings and tail; 2. Broome, cl., lovely qual. and col., nice type; 3. Gough, cl., neat, correct type, nice size and shape, hardly flared down yet; 4. Mortimer, wing mkd., good size, nice head and neck, wants filling out; vhc. Thomas; he. Cleaves. UNFLIG. CK. (7): 1. James and Wells, heavily var. yell., beautiful col. and qual., nicely moulded, wins; 2. Tedstone, cl. buff, good type and qual., lovely mcd; 3. Thomas, cl. yell., lovely col. and qual., good head and reach, in tip-top form; 4. Greaves and Richards, cl. buff, wonderful subs., col. and qual., trifle heavy behind; vhc. Mortimer; he. Vaughan; c. Tedstone. HEN (6): 1. Lewis, cl. yell., gem for qual., good shape, neat head, in tip top form; 2. James and Wells, var. yell., hardly as good in head properties as leader; 3. Hill, var. buff, nice size, correct type, in good order; 4. Jones, cl. yell., nice qual.; vhc. Mortimer; he. Cleaves. NOV. NOR.: 1. Davies, cl. buff, well known, real topper, beautifully moulded, best of wings and tail; 2. Thomas and Durham, wing mkd. buff, lovely col. and qual., hardly as shapely as leader; 3. Jolliffe, cl. buff, good type, col. and qual., loses in cond. only; 4. Girdle, good bouncing cl. buff, feathers missing from back, will be higher when ready; he. James; vhc. no name; c. Thomas and Durham. HEN (13): 1. Nener, cl. buff, grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual., shown to perfection, we understand his first show, good luck, Mr. N.; 2. Jolliffe, another cl., close up, but hardly the subs. of leader; 3. no name, cl. yell., nice type and qual., good col., well shown; 4. Davies, var. buff, good type and qual.; vhc. Williams; he. Thomas and Durham; c. James. UNFLIG. (12): 1. Phelps, var. yell., lovely col. and qual., well rounded head, good full back, neat wings and tail; 2. he. Morton, var. buff, nice size and shape, beautiful col. and qual.; 3. Vaughan, wing mkd. buff, correct type, nice col.; 4. Selby, cl. yell., beautiful col. and qual., neat head, neck, wings and tail, only wants filling out; vhc. Selby; c. Sweeting. YORKS. YELL. (14) A grand class: 1. Thompson, cl. thigh tdk., grand length, neat head and neck, well filled back, best of wings and tail, stands well; 2. Dugmore, grizzle cap, another real topper, well known, hardly flared down yet; 3. Pritchard, cl., good length, neatly rounded head, well filled neck, good leg, again hardly finished; 4. Ashman, cl. yell., lovely length, correct wings and tail, nice pos.; vhc. Hevan; he. Greenslade; c. Morgan. BUFF (14): 1. Thomson, cl., good length,

1. Parlett, very fine all round Twice in grand bloom; 2. Fairhurst, lovely Siskin, wins his place well for all round merit; 3. Handley, very fine Lesser Redpoll, splendid feather and cond.; extra 3. c. Oldham, grand Twice, runs leader very close; 4. Jones, rich neat Siskin; extra 4. Booth and Hampson, fine Mealy Redpoll, Al cond.; vhc. Hurst; he. J. W. Metcalfe. BRAMBLE and CHAFF. (26) A splendid lot: 1. vhc. Sgt. Forster, very grand Bramble, size, shape, colour, markings and cond. all there; 2. Rothwell, beautiful Chaffinch for size, bloom, polish and feather; 3. Pitchford, really good Bramble, very like 1st and runs close up; 4. Gentleman, good Chaffinch, runs 2nd hard in all points; he. Carson; c. Cottingham. A.O. HARD (15): 1. Sgt. Forster, immense Hawfinch, carrying col., markings, bib, shape, and cond., much admired; 2. 4. Johnston, Yell. and Corn Bunting, both great winners, in grand trim; 3. he. Jeffries, very pretty Bullf. and a sweet Meadow Bunting which might have won but top of head feathers appeared damaged a little; vhc. Beardall; c. Booth and Hampson. LARGE SOFTBILLS (12): 1. Mulcahy, extra fine conditioned Chough; 2. Wellings, very fine Blackbird, grand eye cere and beak, rich dense plumage, grand shape and condition; 3. he. Beardall, pretty Waxwing; 4. Crawford, grand Fieldfare, in tight condition; vhc. H. Walsh. SMALL: 1. 4. Sharples, smart Black Redstart, and a good Beard-d Tlt, both in fine form; 2. Wellings, very neat Whitethroat, tight feather; 3. Robertshaw, pretty Common Redstart, best of condition; vhc. Walton. FOR: 1. 3. 4. vhc. c. Miss Powell, grand team all in best of cond., lovely pair of Paradise Whydahs leading, good pair Cutthroats, pretty Zebra Finch, White Java, perfect, and an Orange Bishop; 2. Sharples, perfect Black-headed Goshawk, in fine order; he. Hunt. GILT: 1. Roberts; 2. Metcalfe; 3. Wellings; 4. Parsons; vhc. Hemmings.

ABERTILLERY ONE HUNDRED BIRDS UP.

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nice moulded, well up on leg, perfect wing car.: 2. Ashman, cl., lovely col. and qual., good head and neck, well filled back, neat wings and tail; 3. Cook, cl., nice length, good straight back, grand pos.; 4. Pritchard, cl., correct type, hardly ready yet; vhc. Griffiths; he. Salter; c. James and Wells. LIGHTLY VAR. (12): 1. Dugmore, wing, cheek and thigh mkd. buff, well known, hardly ready yet, often described; 2. vhc. Pritchard, eye and wing mkd. buff, grand length, nice col. and qual., hardly size of leader; 3. Weeks, buff, good col. and qual., lovely length, well up on leg, correct wings and tail; 4. Bevan, buff, close up, good pos., lovely qual.; he. Ball; c. Phillips. HEAVILY VAR. (4): 1. Pritchard, foul yell. gr., lovely body, length and pos., well filled back, nicely balanced wings and tail; 2. Russell, foul buff green, beautifully moulded, best of wings and tail, hardly as good on leg as leader; 3. Parfitt, var. yell., nice type and qual., good straight back, neat wings and tail, stands well; 4. Moulie, var. yell., nice type and qual. YELL. HEN (9): 1. Owen, cl. yell. non fed, real gem, wonderful length, grand leg, correct wings and tail; 2. Ashman, tdk. yell., good length, neat wings and tail, well up on leg, hardly as nervy as leader; 3. Hutchinson, cl. buff, nice length, good straight back, well balanced wings and tail; 4. Ball, cinn. mkd. yell., perfection in qual., grand length, beautiful wings and tail, slight frill on breast; vhc. Pritchard; he. Hillman; c. Greenslade. BUFF (10): 1. Ball, cl. non-fed, neatly rounded head, well filled neck, back, good wings and tail, stands well; 2. Weeks, non-fed, beautiful qual., nice length, full of nerve; 3. Bevan, non-fed, hardly length of leaders, neatly rounded head, well filled back, stands well; 4. he. Phillips. CL. BEAUTIFUL qual., nice length; vhc. Russell; c. James and Wells. UNFLIG. CK. (28) Another wonderful class that must have taken some judging, condition only separating the winners from many out of the cards: 1. Ashman, cl. buff, good length, wonderful polish, nicely packed wings, grand pos., very nervy; 2. Hutchinson, yell., slim built, nice straight back, closely packed wings, neat tail, good on leg; 3. Wooton, grizzle mkd. buff, lovely length, neat head, well filled back, stands well; 4. Ball, cl. buff, good length and pos., well packed flights, neat tail, lovely cond. and col.; vhc. Preke; he. c. Pritchard. HEN (22) another rattling good class: 1. Charles, yell., nice length, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail, trifle fat on head, perhaps rather lucky to beat 2. Newell, grizzle mkd. yell., neat head and neck, well filled back, correct wings and tail, full of nerve, good length, well up on leg; 3. Cook, cl. buff, nice length, good leg, wings and tail, stands well; 4. Dugmore, cl. yell., grand col. and pos., nice leg, only wants lining down to make a good one; vhc. Phillips; he. Pritchard; c. Wooton. NOV. YORKS. A grand entry, 65 birds in three classes and all full of quality. CK. (28): 1. Deere, yell. blaze of col., grand length, well up on leg, nicely moulded; 2. Watkins, var. buff, well-known, good length, lovely qual., neat wings and tail, nice pos.; 3. Parfitt, cl. yell., good col. and qual., very nervy, nicely braced wings, good length; 4. Stocken, cl. buff, good length, well up on leg, nice pos., hardly as nervy as leaders; vhc. Parfitt; he. Everitt; c. Terrett. HEN (15): 1. Parfitt, var. yell., grand col., nice length and pos., good wings and tail, very nervy; 2. Owen, var. buff, close up, grand length, nice well filled back and wings; 3. Clec, cl. buff, grand length and qual., hardly as rich col.; 4. James, cl. buff, neat head and neck, nice wings and tail; vhc. Watkins; he. Broome; c. Parfitt. UNFLIG. (22): 1. vhc. c. Terrett, cl. yell., beautiful col. and qual., good head and neck, well braced wings and tail, stands well; 2. James, cl. buff, nice length, good pos., correct type, lovely qual. and cond.; 3. Everitt, grizzle mkd. yell., hardly length leaders, still good, neat well balanced wings and tail, shown to perfection; 4. Griffiths, cl. buff, nice qual. and cond., good length, very nervy; he. Morris. BORD. CK. (19): 1. Jenkins, cl. yell., gem, grand feather, type, lovely col. and qual., very shapely; 2. Jeremiah, var. yell., shapely, nice feather and col.; 3. Cooper, cl. buff, correct type, neat wings and tail, good col. and qual.; 4. Hoddinot, cl. buff, nice col. and qual., hardly as full in neck as leaders; vhc. Lapworth. HEN (17): 1. Jenkins, well-known cinn. mkd. buff, a real gem, often described; 2. Jeremiah, cl. buff, nice type and qual., good wings and tail; 3. 4. c. Jeremiah, neat exhibits, well put down; vhc. Morgan; he. Heddinot. NOV. (13): 1. 3. Cooper, cl. buff, both good type and qual., neat wings and tail, very jaunty; 2. Hoddinot, sweet yell., grand col. and qual., shows to perfection; 4. he. Wood; vhc. Jones; c. Hoddinot. A.O.V. (4): 1. 3. Edwards, both Crests, in grand order; 2. 4. Slater, Yell. Green Yorks, and Scots Faney. LIGHT MILE (1): 1. Jones, neat Goldie-Can. DARK (8): 1. 2. Rees, Goldie Mule leading, nice blaze, grand col. and qual., latter good sized Linnet-Can., good col. and qual.; 3. Ford, Red poll-Can., grand size and shape, in Al order; 4. Macdonald; vhc. Davies; he. Pritchard; c. Edwards; wrong class No. 3, var. hybrid. HYBRID (2): 1. 2. Edwards, two neat Goldie Bullies, in first class order. GOLDF. (4): 1. Edwards, grand blaze, good

OXFORD HAS A RECORD ENTRY.

Third Open Show of the Oxford C.B.S., held Oct. 22. Entries came up well, totalling about 330, a record for the Society. In Norwich there were 147 entries in 10 classes, 19 being in the unfledged birds, Messrs. Stubbs Bros winning with a clinking bird. Several were overheard to say that they had never seen such a collection of Norwich, and there were many birds without cards that would have won at most shows.

Yorkshires were not quite so numerous, 57 birds in 6 classes. Messrs. Hawes Bros. were well to the fore with some of their well-known birds, securing 3 firsts out of 4 classes. In Hybrids entries were again good, 29 birds in the 3 classes. No doubt the pick of this clinking lot was Mr. Parlett's well-known and much discussed "White Rose," the noted light Canary-Bullie. British were not quite so strong as usual, probably because most birds are not ready yet, but Mr. Parlett secured the silver medal for the best British bird with a grand Linnet. In the small Foreign bird class Mrs. Longden secured first with a topping Violet-cared Waxbill. Three birds among the Amateur Norwich were claimed, and in the Open Norwich a grand yellow hen, exhibited by Mr. Collings, was claimed at £10. The Secretary, Mr. Holliday, had everything well in hand, and was assisted by a hard-working Committee. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. YELL.: (14): 1. Hathaway, grand type, teeming with qual.; 2. Houghton, very large yell., must have pressed; 3. Dearlove, large, typical bird, fails a bit in wing car. to winner; vhc. Collins; he. Lees; c. Lovegrove; really grand class, not a bad one amongst them; two sets of winners could easily have been found. BUFF: 1. Hathaway, large and thick set, grand head and front, wonderful subs., stands well away; 2. Houghton, loses in size and subs. to winner, but a nice one; 3. Litchfield, useful bird, good qual., nicely feathered, well across perch; vhc. Miles; he. Irons; c. Silk. TKD. (15) another grand class: 1. Houghton, the noted saddle mkd. buff, grand head and front, rare subs., real short typical Norwich all over; 2. Irons, stout typical buff, loses only in col. to winner; 3. Hathaway, good head and front, fine feather, well shown; vhc. spl. Lewin, close up; he. Midgley; c. Irons. HEN. YELL. (10): 1. Collins, grand hen, good head, short and cobby, teeming with qual., claimed at catalogue price, £10; 2. Follwell, not quite the subs. of winner, good shape, nice feather, qual. all over; 3. Lewin, good head and front, the right stamp to breed with; vhc. Midgley; he. Philpot; c. Lovegrove. BUFF (14): 1. Lovegrove, good head and neck, rare subs., very typical, wins; 2. Wood, typical, not so short and chubby as winner, otherwise a very useful hen; 3. Houghton, good size, fine cond., lovely col. and plumage; vhc. Gough and Loach; he. c. Dearlove. UNFLIG. YELL. (7) splendid class, many good birds cardless: 1. Howe, large and typical, good head and front, nice qual.; 2. Collings, the Bristol winner; 3. Midgley, very near thing indeed, good in all Norwich properties, very taking youngsters, nice size, very typical; vhc. Lewin, wins spl. best members', grand youngster, another one close on the winner; he. Stubbs; c. Wren. BUFF (19): 1. Stubbs, typical, not one of the largest, but teeming with qual., wins spl. for best Nor., really grand bird; 2. Hart, very nice all round, but not the exquisite qual. and col. of winner; 3. Lees, good head and front, bit slack at thighs, but some thought it might have gone up one; vhc. Midgley; he. Lewin; c. Dearlove. HEN UNFLIG. (18) nice lot: 1. Howe, typical buff, short and cobby; 2. Stubbs, very taking, good head, front; 3. Lewin, short and typical, close up; vhc. Letchfield; he. Lees; c. Midgley; a lot of good birds cardless in this class. AMATEUR, £2 limit (13): 1. Goosey, shapely, sound colour, in good form, claimed at limit price; 2. Martin, good head, nice qual.; 3. Church, good cobby bird, nice qual., close up; vhc. Simms; he. Sawyer; c. Gough and Loach. UNFLIG. (16) good class: 1. vhc. Emmerson, nice size, good head, fine condition; 2. Goosey, another good bird, not much between them, claimed at catalogue price; 3. Gough and Loach, nice qual., good col. and cond., also claimed; he. Garbutt; c. Medina. YORKS. YELL. (10): 1. 3. vhc. Hawes Bros., leader in very fine cond., well up on legs, well shown; 2. Langley, nice pos., good qual., stands well, close up; vhc. Fulford; c. Lane. BUFF (11): 1. Smith, nice pos., well braced wings, neat tail, grand cond.; 2. A. Pool, nice quality, good pos. and col.; 3. Parker, very typical, nice head and wing car., fine cond.; vhc. L. Bousfield; he. P. Lane; c. Hawes Bros. HEN. YELL. (10): 1. 3. vhc. clean sweep for Messrs. Hawes Bros., with three of the very 1st. all in fine condition; 2. Fulford, nice qual., stands well, good wings and tail; he. Smith; c. Parker. BUFF (8): 1. 3. c. Hawes Bros., another nice lot from the same stud, all beautifully shown; 2. H. Bousfield, good pos. and qual., very neat; vhc. Parker; he. Pool. AMAT. (9): 1. Troke, nice slim bird, stands well, grand cond.; 2. Walters, neat head, good wing car., nice qual.; 3. Swinden, good pos. and qual.; vhc. Cook; he. Maidment; c. Burlington. UNFLIG. (9): 1. Langley, fine pos., nicely braced wings, good cond.; 2. Maidment, another good bird, close up; 3. Troke, nice qual. and cond.; vhc. Walters; he. Pitt; c. Cook. DUTCH FRILLS (6):

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bars and buttons, nice size, lovely col. and qual.; 2. Lloyd James, neat exhibit, hardly as rich blaze as leader, good size and shape; 3. Jeffreys, neat blaze, bars and buttons, hardly size of leaders; 4. Russell. BULLE. (4): 1. Jeffreys, good size, neat shape, lovely col., qud. and cond.; 2. Russell, close up, nice cap and bars, hardly the size; 3. Lloyd James, sweet hen, grand cap and bars, shown to perfection; 4. Edwards, good size and shape, bit pale in col.; vhc. Willstead. LINNET (5): 1. Dalton, very shapely, nicely pencilled, good col. and markings; 2. Ford, nice size and shape, good col., hardly as distinctly laced; 3. Rees, rich nutty col., lacks size of leaders; 4. no name; vhc. Lloyd James. GREENF., ETC. (7): 1. Jeffreys, Chaffinch, lovely exhibit, in tip-top order; 2. Ford, buff Greenie, good size and shape, neat bars; 3. Nicholas, good, well spangled Bramble; vhc. Jeffreys; he. Vaughan; c. Lloyd James, sweet hen Chaffinch. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1. Ford, bonny Lesser 'Poll, lovely col. and flank markings; 2. Jones, neat Siskin, good eye marks and lacing, nice col. and qual.; 3. Rees, good col., well laced Lesser 'Poll; 4. Jeffreys, good size Lesser 'Poll, might have changed places with 3rd; vhc. Dalton; he. Jeffreys; c. Riswell. A.O.S. (2): 1. Jones, Corn Bunting, nice size, good col., well mkd.; 2. Dalton, neat Yell. Bunting, good V and check marks, well fed. SOFTBILL (1): 1. Crawford, Fieldfare, in lovely order, unfortunately has one blind eye or would be a stormer; 2. Roberts, nice Song Thrush; 3. Tanner, Starling, in good cond. SELLS. 20. (11): 1. Greenslade; 2. Girdle; 3. Davies; 4. Macdonald; vhc. Newell; he. Broome; c. Greaves and Richards. 108. (9): 1. Girdle; 2. Hughes; 3. Wooton; 4. Jones; vhc. Greaves and Richards; he. Watkins; c. Broome.

OXFORD SHOW, Continued.
 1, 2, vhc, Fifeild, well-known winners, in fine cond.; 3rd, he, c, Brooks, 3rd might have changed places with 2nd; all well shown. A.O.V. CAN. (6): 1, he, G. Edwards, shining green C.B., wonderful wealth of head feather, he nice clear body, D.C., some thought should have been higher; 2, Garlandt, very neat, evenly marked bird; 3, c, Marsh, buff Scotch Fancy; vhc, Hart. LIGHT CAN. HYB. (8): 1, Lamb, buff Goldf. Can., well known winners, in grand cond.; 2, Hart, Greenf. Can., line bold bird; 3, Hepwood, buff Goldf. Can.; vhc, Wilmot; he, Martin; c, Garton. DARK, EXCEPT CANARY-BULLF. (10): 1, Parlett, Greenf. Can., fine cond., one of the very best, wins well; 2, Lamb, Goldf. Can., well known, grand cond.; 3, Tonks, very nice Siskin-Can.; vhc, Gough; he, Hepwood; c, Peters. A.O.V. HYB. (11): 1, Parlett, well known light Can. Bullf., "White Rose," needs no comment; 2, Hart, Goldf. Bullf., very large bird, topping cond., very hard lines to come up against winner; 3, he, Lamb, Goldf. Siskin, nice con., good enough to win almost anywhere; vhc, White; c, Edwards. GOLDF. (5): 1, Raby, good blaze, not quite ready yet; 2, Watson, nice blaze and cond.; 3, vhc, Gough, close up, not quite ready; he, Fellows. BULLF. (6): 1, Groom, good big Bullf., nice cap and bars, good breast col., well shown; 2, Poole, not quite the cond. of winner, but a good one; 3, he, White, good cap and bars, nice cond.; vhc, Brewer. GREENF. ETC. (12) a good class: 1, Mrs. Longden, very fine Bramble, in topping cond.; 2, Baseley, good coloured Greenf., fine bold bird; 3, E. Watson, another Bramble, not quite the condition of winner, very steady; vhc, Wren; he, Cottingham; c, Tonks. LINNET, ETC. (8): 1, Parlett, clinking good Linnet, beautiful cond., very steady, wins silver medal, best British bird; 2, Robinson, very neat Siskin, good cap and bib; 3, Pettet, Redpoll, nice col. and cond.; vhc, Heal; he, Edwards; c, Tuby. A.O.V. HARD-BILL (6): 1, Pool, nice Hawfinch, good bib, very steady; 2, Heal, Corn Bunting, very steady, good cond., well shown; 3, Cottingham, Hawfinch, not the size of winner, but in nice cond.; vhc, Parlett; he, Pettet. BRIT. HEN (8): 1, Cottingham, Hawfinch, grand col. for a hen, very steady; 2, Gough, nice Bullf., good cond.; 3, he, c, Wren, Linnet, very steady, good cond.; vhc, Lugg. BRIT. (AMAT.) (6): 1, Hepwood, nice Hawfinch, good bib, well shown; 2, Pargeter, Yellowhammer, good col. and cond.; 3, he, Offie, Goldf.; vhc, Robinson; c, Simms. SMALL (10): 1, vhc, he, Mrs. Longden, beautiful Violet-eared Waxbill leading, in splendid cond., nice pair of Black-headed Goldfinches, and pair of Blue-breasted Waxbills, both might have been higher; 2, 3, Offie, Wydalls and Orange Bishops, both in good cond. and well shown; c, Wren. LIMIT, 30s. (9): 1, Pool; 2, Pedder; 3, Dimmock. 12s. 6d. (12): 1, A. Wood; 2, C. Pearce; 3, Gibbons.

HULL C.B.S.
 Show, Oddfellows' Hall, Oct. 5. Judges, Messrs. W. F. Pepper and R. Walker.
 CHAMP. NOR. YELL.: 1, 3, Potter; 2, Clayton. BUFF: 1, Clayton; 2, 3, Potter. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Walker. BUFF: 1, Walker. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Potter; 3, Beckett. BUFF: 1, 3, Potter; 2, Cross; vhc, Sutton; he, Beckett. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, Nettleton; 3, e, Towse; vhc, Kemp; he, Ware. BUFF: 1, Towse; 2, Nettleton; 3, vhc, Fox; he, Oaks; c, Beauchamp.—J. L. Hescliffe, Hon. Sec.

IDLE C.B.S.
 Third show of the season, Oct. 17, White Bear Inn, with only a moderate attendance. Mr. J. Reid judged to everyone's satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. CK.: 1, Baxter; 2, Hylton; 3, Studd; 4, vhc, sp, Pitts; he, Pearson. BUFF: 1, Thomas; 2, Chippendale; 3, c, Baxter; 4, Studd; vhc, Pearson; he, Hylton. MKD. CK.: 1, 4, Baxter; 2, 3, Chippendale; vhc, Thomas. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Thomas; 2, Baxter; 3, Studd; 4, Sparks; vhc, sp, Chippendale; he, Pitts. BUFF: 1, Thomas; 2, Baxter; 3, Sparks; 4, Pearson; vhc, Hylton.—C. E. Hyton, Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.
 Members' Show, Oct. 17, Club Room, High-st. 50 birds were staged. Mr. John Greaves judged, and gave every satisfaction. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Hartley; 2, Shackleton. BUFF: 1, Hartley; 2, Hunter; 3, Shackleton; 4, Hanson. TKD. YELL.: 1, Hartley; 2, Ellis Self. BUFF: 1, Hunter. GR. MKD. CK.: 1, Lister and Hudson; 2, vhc, he, Midgley; 3, Hanson; 4, Peace. HEN: 1, Lister and Hudson; 2, 3, Hunter; 4, Hartley; vhc, he, Midgley. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, Shackleton. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, F. Self; 2, Firth; 3, Lister and Hudson; 4, Midgley; vhc, Peace. BUFF: 1, Oliver; 2, Lister and Hudson; 3, F. Self; 4, Shackleton. UNFLIG. YELL. HENS: 1, F. Self; 2, E. Self; 3, Firth; 4, Lister and Hudson. BUFF: 1, Midgley; 2, Hartley; 3, Oliver; 4, E. Self; vhc, Peace; he, F. Self. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HENS: 1, Peace; 2, Hartley; 3, Hanson; 4, Lister and Hudson. BUFF: 1, Hartley; 2, Lister and Hudson; 3, E. Self; 4, Hanson.—J. Holroyd, Sec.

MANNINGHAM C.B.A.
 Members' Show, Oct. 17, Mowbray Arms, 82 birds were staged. Mr. F. P. Terry scored most points, and Mr. J. Ward second most; Mr. J. Lunn won sp. best bird, with his cl. yell., and Mr. F. P. Terry for best hen with his buff hen. Mr. F. Tids-well judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. CLASS 1: 1, 3, Lunn; 2, Terry; 4, Clayton; vhc, Moore; he, Terry; c, Neesom. CLASS 2: 1, Moore; 2, Terry; 3, Ward; 4, Graham; vhc, Grange; he, vduroyd; c, Neesom. CLASS 3: 1, Terry; 2, Neesom; 3, Hant; 4, Dickenson; vhc, Moore; he, Lunn; c, Darwent and Oddy. CLASS 4: 1, Terry; 2, Ward; 3, 4, Grange; vhc, Moore; he, c, Varley. CLASS 5: 1, Leather. CLASS 6: 1, Leather; 2, Grange; 3, Akroyd; 4, Grange; vhc, Neesom. CLASS 7: 1, Ward; 2, Leather; 3, Grange; 4, Lunn; vhc, Ward; he, Neesom; c, Moore. CLASS 8: 1, Graham; 2, 4, Terry; 3, Ward; vhc, he, Lunn; c, Moore. CLASS 9: 10, Void. CLASS 11: 1, Hillas; 2, Neesom; 3, Grange.—H. Grange, Sec.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.
 Final table show, Oct. 10. There was a good attendance of members and friends, and the exhibits proved very satisfactory, both in numbers and quality. Mr. W. E. Blaydon judged, and gave complete satisfaction. The proceeds were devoted to the Local Relief Fund.
 NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Kelsall; 2, Phillips; 3, Marsland. BUFF: 1, 2, Foxall; 3, Kelsall. YELL. HEN: 1, c, Foxall; 2, Oliver; 3, 4, Kelsall; vhc, Phillips; he, Marsland. BUFF: 1, 2, Foxall; 3, vhc, Marsland; 4, c, Oliver; he, Kelsall. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Oliver; 4, Kelsall; vhc, Foxall; he, Phillips. BUFF: 1, 3, c, Marsland; 2, Oliver; 4, Kelsall; vhc, he, Foxall. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, he, c, Storey; 2, Pyc; 3, 4, Etheells; vhc, Green. BUFF: 1, Storey; 2, Etheells. YELL. HEN: 1, Etheells; 2, 3, Green. BUFF: 1, 2, Green. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Storey; 3, he, Pyc; 4, Etheells; vhc, Green. BUFF: 1, 3, Pyc; 2, 4, Storey; vhc, he, Etheells; c, Green. BULLF. OR GOLDF.: 1, Phillips. CHAFF. ETC.: 1, 2, 3, Baron. LINNET OR REDPOLL: 1, Baron.—J. Whitehead, Sec.

EAST ARDSLEY C.B.S.
 Show, Oct. 17, 23 birds were staged, the Linnet class being very strong. Mr. W. Waind had his two well known birds out, and took 1st and 3rd. Mr. J. Chambers judged, and his awards were received with satisfaction. LINNET: 1, 3, c, Waind; 2, Burnell; vhc, Pyrah; he, Summers. GREENF.: 1, Burnell; 2, Kendrew; 3, Summers. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Pyrah; 2, Crossley. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 3, vhc, Burnell; 2, Summers; he, Pyrah; c, Cockrem. A.O. HARD: 1, 2, Burnell; 3, Summers; vhc, Crossley.—H. Cockrem, Sec.

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.
 Table Show, Oct. 12, Headquarters. 57 birds were staged. Judge, Mr. C. Morrison, Brighouse. CL. YELL. YORKS. (9): 1, c, Sykes; 2, Cawtheray and Son; 3, Lawford and Son; vhc, Gee; he, Haigh. BUFF (18): 1, S. and A. Radley; 2, 3, Sykes; vhc, Haigh; he, Whitehead; c, Gledhill. MKD. YELL. (4): 1, Sykes; 2, S. and A. Radley; 3, Atkinson; vhc, Cawtheray and Son. BUFF (12): 1, Morris; 2, S. and A. Radley; 3, Sykes; vhc, he, Atkinson; c, Cawtheray and Son. GINN. MKD. YELL. (4): 1, Cox; 2, Morris; 3, vhc, Rhodes. BUFF (4): 1, 2, 3, Rhodes; vhc, Cawtheray and Son. A.V. NOR. (7): 1, 3, vhc, he, Cawtheray and Son; 2, c, Morris.—A. Lawford, Sec.

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.
 Members' show, Fountain Inn, Oct. 17. Mr. R. Garnett, Windhill, judged, and his awards seemed to give satisfaction. A good entry of 69 birds was received, and there were some very nice birds amongst them.
 CHAMP. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Pearson; 2, Stebbings; 3, 4, J. Wilcock. BUFF: 1, Chippendale; 2, 4, he, J. Wilcock; 3, Pearson; vhc, Lee. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Chippendale; 2, Stebbings; 3, J. Wilcock. BFUF: 1, 3, Chippendale; 2, Sam Wilcock; 4, vhc, Pearson. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Lee; 2, Chippendale; 3, 4, Stebbings; he, J. Wilcock. BUFF: 1, Lee; 2, 4, Stebbings; 3, J. Wilcock. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc, Bousfield; 2, 3, 4, Baxter; he, Sparks. BUFF: 1, 2, Bousfield; 3, 4, Baxter; vhc, Close; he, Simonett; c, Sparks. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Sparks; 3, vhc, Close; 4, Baxter; he, c, Bousfield. BUFF: 1, 3, Simonett; 2, Sparks; 4, Close. YELL. NOR.: 1, Pearson; 2, 3, S. Wilcock. BUFF: 1, J. Wilcock; 2, 4, vhc, Airton; 3, he, S. Wilcock. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Airton; 3, Pearson. BUFF: 1, Simonett; 2, S. Wilcock; 3, Airton; 4, vhc, Pearson.—S. Wilcock, Hon. Sec.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.
 Members' show, Oct. 17, Victoria Hotel, with a splendid entry of 103 birds. Mr. J. Reed, Thackley, judged. Sp. best bird was won by Mr. J. Ellis. Points up-to-date for cup and medals.—Champion, Goodwin 69, Mason 66, Dykes 55, Bloomfield 40; Novice, Bryant 53, Fretwell 49, Ellis 20, Powell 29, Shaw 28.
 CHAMP. YELL. CK. (8): 1, c, Dykes; 2, Mason; 3, Boocock; 4, Goodwin; vhc, Bloomfield; he, Shepherd. BUFF (7): 1, 4, Dykes; 2, 3, Goodwin; vhc, Shepherd; he, Mason; c, Bloomfield. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 3, Dykes; 2, Boocock; 4, Goodwin; vhc, Mason; he, Bloomfield; c, Shepherd. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Dykes; 3, he, Goodwin; 4, Bloomfield; vhc, Shepherd; c, Boocock. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (10): 1, sp, Ellis; 2, Powell; 3, Pullan; 4, Oldrieve; vhc, Burgess; he, Bryant; c, Walker. BUFF (11): 1, Ellis; 2, Pullan; 3, Fretwell; 4, Powell; vhc, Oldrieve; he, Walker; c, Shaw. MKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Alred; 2, Bryant; 3, Pullan; 4, Cotterill; vhc, Fretwell. BUFF (2): 1, Fretwell; 2, Shepherd. UN-FLIG. (13): 1, Bryant; 2, Myers; 3, Burgess; 4, Pullan; vhc, Shaw; he, Powell; c, Abbey. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (12): 1, 2, Powell; 3, Bryant; 4, Pullan; vhc, Walker; he, Burgess; c, Alred. BUFF (11): 1, Shaw; 2, Walker; 3, Powell; 4, Alred; vhc, Fretwell; he, Bryant; c, Ellis. MKD. HEN (3): 1, Powell; 2, Ellis; 3, Shaw. FOLF. MKD. (5): 1, 3, Alred; 2, Cotterill; 4, Shaw; vhc, Fretwell. HEN (2): 1, Oldrieve; 2, Pullan.—H. Bryant, Sec.

LOANHEAD C.B.S.
 Show, Oct. 10, in Masonic Hall, a well lighted and cosy place. The 234 birds were well staged, and all arrangements were efficiently carried out by the Sec., Mr. W. B. Smart. Mr. Dalgleish, Leith, judged Scotch Fancies, Mr. J. Patterson, Chirnside, the Borders, and Mr. G. Hislop, Stirling, the North and British.
 SCOTCH FANCY, CL. YELL. OR FOUL CK. (2): 1, 2, Carson. BUFF (1): 1, Dunn. BUFF HEN (6): 1, 2, Carson; 3, he, Dunn; vhc, Jardine. PIED OR GR. YELL. K. (3): 1, 2, Dunn; 3, Dalgleish. HEN (3): 1, 2, Dunn; 3, Gilchrist. BUFF CK. (3): 1, Dunn; 2, Jardine. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (16): 1, 2, Hamilton; 3, Sterling; vhc, Smart; he, Gilchrist. HEN (18): 1, cup, B.F.C.C., vhc, he, Smart; 2, Hamilton; 3, Johnston; c, Nelson. BUFF CK. (24): 1, Dalgleish; 2, 3, Smart; vhc, he, Hamilton; c, Gilchrist. HEN (20): 1, 3, he, Smart; 2, Stirling; vhc, Hamilton. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (11): 1, he, Hamilton; 2, Johnston; 3, Smart; vhc, Nelson; c, Gilchrist. HEN (7): 1, c, Gilchrist; 2, Hamilton; 3, Dalgleish; vhc, Nelson; he, Douglas. BUFF CK. (11): 1, 2, Johnston; 3, Ketchen; vhc, Dalgleish; he, Douglas; c, Nelson. HEN (7): 1, vhc, Ketchen; 2, Dalgleish; 3, Nelson; he, Smart; c, Carmichael. EVEN MKD. (5): 1, 2, 3, Johnston; vhc, Dalgleish. YELL. GR. (11): 1, (runner up for B.F.C.C.), 2, 3, he, A. and W. Thomson; vhc, Stirling; c, Douglas. BUFF (11): 1, 2, he, A. and W. Thomson; 3, Dalgleish; vhc, Stirling; c, Nelson. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 2, 3, Skinner; vhc, Nelson; he, Moffat. HEN (7): 1, Moffat; 2, vhc, he, Skinner; c, Nelson. BUFF CK. (4): 1, 2, Moffat; 3, Weir; vhc, Skinner. HEN (7): 1, cup, vhc, Moffat; 2, 3, Dunn; he, c, Skinner. VARIEG. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 3, Moffat; 2, Nelson. HEN (1): Nelson. BUFF CK. (8): 1, c, Nelson; 2, vhc, Moffat; 3, Dunn; he, Nelson. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Moffat; he, Nelson; c, Skinner. MULE OR HYB. (4): 1, Weir; 2, vhc, Smart; 3, Stirling. BRIT. HARDBILL (23): 1, medal, Douglas; 2, Nelson; 3, vhc, Weir; he, Dalgleish; c, Johnston. SOFTBILL: (1): Douglas.

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THE following gentlemen represent CAGE BIRDS staff of ADVISORY EXPERTS. Queries must, of course, be sent to the Editor.
 Canaries.—Claude St. John, British Birds, Mules and Hybrids.—H. Norman, Foreign Birds.—Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Wild Bird Life.—H. Norman.

NOTE.—If an answer is required concerning the proper mating, etc., of Norwich, Yorkshires, Crests, Borders, Scotch, or any other variety of Canary, we shall, should the querist desire us to do so, be pleased to submit his questions for answer to some leading specialist on the variety concerned.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

HEAVY BREATHING (Bronco).—First see that bird is kept under healthful conditions, and is not exposed to direct cold draughts or frequent extremes of temperature, and do not allow it to hang near or over burning lights in the evenings, high up near the ceiling, nor in or very near a window. Then treat as follows for a month or so: Give a mixture of three parts Canary to one part summer rape as staple diet, and during the first week supplement this only with a spray of water-epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, and ten drops of lemon juice. After the first week give a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar every third day, and on the intervening days give first half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and maw seed, and next a morsel of banana or some green salad. In the water every second day for a fortnight add five drops each of oxymel of squills, glycerine, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre.

SHOW CAGE FOR CRESTS (Tyro).—(1) The size of show cage for Crests should be 13 ins. long, 12 ins. high, and 5½ ins. deep, i.e., from back to front. (2) No, it should not have a bow front; just a plain flat front is all that is needed. In some patterns, however, the wooden top of cage is made to reach only about two-thirds the distance from back to front, and the wires of the front are bent to an angle at the top and extended to and inserted in the edge of the wooden top. Thus about

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 should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

a third of the top of cage is wired as well as the front. This type is not absolutely essential, but it is very useful in helping a judge to fully examine and appraise the value of a good Crest. (3) Three-eighths of an inch is a good average distance to allow between the wires. (4) The colour should be black outside and blue inside.
CONTINUALLY SNEEZING (E. Harding).—You are probably keeping the bird in an unfavourable position, where it is exposed to cold draughts, frequent extremes of temperature, or the fumes of burning lights. Any or all of these conditions must be removed before you can reasonably expect the bird to recover. See reply to "Bronco" in this issue, and treat your bird the same for a month or so, which should set matters right, if it is not already beyond relief.

NOT MOULTING (A. E. P.).—As the bird appears in good health and full song, if you keep it for singing only, I would advise you to leave well alone, and not endeavour to force on a moult which Nature is evidently not ready for. In all probability the bird may have moulted last spring or in the early summer, in which case it will follow the same course next spring, and if it is kept only as a singer this should be no detriment. But if you want the bird for breeding next season you may bring about a moult by giving a morsel of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days add to the water 20 drops of whisky and five of syrup of saffron. After this, move the bird to a decidedly colder room for a few days, but be care-

ful not to expose it to cold draughts, rapid and frequent extremes of temperature, or damp.
TO FIGHT THE FOE (Colin Brown).—Red mites undoubtedly undermine and permanently injure the health of birds which are being constantly bothered by them. It should not be at all difficult to thoroughly exterminate them in a single small cage. Remove first to a temporary cage, and thoroughly clean the infested one, burning all rubbish from it immediately. Then well saturate the cage all over inside and out with a solution of camphor in methylated spirit—an ounce in half-pint—using a small brush to work it well into the joints. Allow cage to remain empty and repeat this operation on each of the two following days, and remember on each occasion to deal thoroughly with all the appurtenances of the cage, and the position it has occupied. After this re-varnish and distemper cage, and when quite dry the bird may be returned. Allow bird to bathe freely. The above solution will destroy the varnish on cage. If you object to this you may use turpentine instead of spirit, but the spirit solution is quite the best.

LOSS OF VOICE (S. L.).—The loss of voice may be simply due to the effect of the moult, in which case it will gradually assume its full power again in the course of a few weeks even without treatment. Otherwise it is due to exposure to cold or damp, perhaps whilst the bird was barely clad. In any case, you may give a morsel of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days give the squills mixture as advised to "Bronco" in this issue. If the bird is not well in that time write again and repeat particulars.

SITS ON FLOOR (Mrs. Hamilton).—You should have repeated particulars about bird, as I cannot remember details of all I receive. Examine the bird's claws, and if they are much overgrown trim them back to a proper length. Then try what the following treatment will do for it. Give a staple diet of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition give twice a week a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken groats, and once a week on one of the intervening days a small teaspoonful of egg-food or bread and milk. Give a spray of water-cress four times a week. Every second day for a week dissolve a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, in the drinking water, and add ten drops of lemon juice, and afterwards give four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba and aromatic sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight.

THE CASE FOR PAINT (Silliv).—Really, I know of no valid objection to the use of paint for the insides of breeding cages, provided only it is allowed to become thoroughly dry before birds are introduced. It certainly is used in breeding cages, though not so generally as in show cages, and this is probably partly for the sake of initial economy, which is no real saving in the end, and partly because a thorough overhaul and re-distemping every season is undoubtedly on the whole, a better safeguard against insect pests than even the most careful washing and disinfecting can be. Still there is no reason why you should not use paint as you purpose. If given a thin coat once a year afterwards I should say it would be decidedly better than distemper. As regards colour, it is difficult to advise definitely, as makers of different enamels and distempers call quite different colours by similar names. But the tint I like best for Canaries is a pale green, called "electric green" by the makers of a certain enamel.

A GOOD RESULT (F. H. Sale).—Many thanks for your letter reporting result of the treatment advised, and your kind remarks about "C.B.," which I am sure the Editor will appreciate. Am very glad to know the bird has made such a good recovery.

BEAUTY AND SONG (Clicher).—(1) I am afraid you cannot have the best in song and the best-looking bird combined in Canaries. The trained Roller is far and away the best songster, but it is quite the shabbiest-looking of the Canary tribe. Therefore, you will have to choose between something worth looking at and something worth hearing. A cross of Roller and Yorks or Norwich will give you a better-looking bird, but an inferior songster, though still a very fair one. (2) No, I have not found that spraying birds with quassia essence and water affects the eyeight. If not used excessively strong I do not think it would have any effect at all in this way. Personally, I am not in favour of spraying birds at all except in cases where it seems absolutely necessary, and such cases are very few.

HOW TO HAND-REAR (Nemo).—Given the necessary time, and plenty of patience and application it should not be at all difficult for you to hand-rear the young if the occasion should arise for someone to undertake this duty. If the hen will sit on the young and keep them warm without maltreating them, it will considerably lighten your task to allow her to do so. Otherwise you must keep them in the nest in a snug place covered lightly with a fold of flannel or woolen until they are getting well fedged. Reduce the usual egg food to the consistency of cream by the addition of a few drops of water, whilst the birds are very young, and gradually increase the consistency as they get older until it is about the same consistency of butter in warm weather. Moisture only sufficient at a time to last a few hours, to avoid any possibility of giving any stale or sour. Begin feeding soon after daybreak, and continue until dusk in the evening, and in the early morning offer food about every half hour, and again for an hour or two before ceasing feeding for the night feed as about as often, and give as much each time as the birds will gape for readily. During the day about every hour will be sufficiently often to feed them. No water will be necessary. During the morning, and again in the afternoon, each day add a little finely minced green salad, such as lettuce, to the food for two or three "meals." Pop the food in sufficiently small morsels for the birds to swallow well in the throat as the birds "gape," using a tiny chip of wood trimmed to a spatula shape for the purpose, or you can buy a small appliance called a "flup" feeder for the purpose, which you will often see advertised in our columns.

FOUR IN HAND (T. O. M.).—(1) Yes, where old mortar is difficult to procure, a mixture of cuttlefish, gravel, egg-shell, and powdered oyster shell, spread liberally on the cage floors should be all that is necessary to assist the hens to secrete plenty of shell-forming material. (2) One drop of castor or salad oil on the vent, and two drops of equal parts brandy and glycerine in the beak is very helpful. Steaming may be continued for ten or fifteen minutes at a time, due care being taken to avoid scalding. Afterwards wrap up bird or put in flannel-lined small cage and keep in a quite warm place until egg is laid. (3) In real egg-binding, there is always evidence of distress. The hen you mention showed it clearly enough when she left the nest.
 Questions and Answers continued overleaf.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

WOULD BE BREEDER (Novice).—I am sorry I am unable to decipher all your letter, but I gather from it that you wish to know if it is necessary to pair the birds together before placing them in the aviary. The usual method is to make a selection of birds and allow them to choose their own mates, because it is impossible to regulate them in any way when they are flying loose. In some cases where two birds are required to pair together, if these are kept in the same cage until the spring, and then turned out they will sometimes mate, especially when they have shown a particular liking for each other's company while caged. Generally a free breeding cock bird is the parent of the majority of the young. (2) Finches are destructive to trees placed in an aviary, Canaries and Hybrids more so than British birds.

MAKING BIRD LIME, ETC. (Pool Park).—I am sorry I am unable to give you directions for making bird lime. It is many years since I attempted its manufacture, and it is such a sneaky concoction that I need to buy what I required, and I would advise you to do the same. Occasionally a recipe is printed in CAGE BIRDS, and if you have any old copies by you you could possibly look it up. (2) Feed your fresh caught linnets on a supply of mixed seeds, including wild seeds, and let them have a pot of

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnets," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Sparrow and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mount British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

soaked teazel and rape always in front of them, also a little cracked hemp seed. After a time the soaked seed can be gradually left off. When they have been caged live or six days, give them a little Epsom or Glauber Salts in the drinking water. If the weather is suitable, so that you can collect a bunch of shepherd's purse and other wild food, it will assist them. (3) Freshly caught larks require a little fresh soft food daily, a liberal allowance of insects, canary seed, grouts, and a little crushed hemp, and a spray of green food. Many birds are put straight on to soaked bread and crushed hemp, but I think the Skylark is worthy of better fare, and would advise a good brand of insectile food for a week or two. The drinking water for all freshly caught birds should be placed inside the cage, so that they find it easily.

LINNET DOING BADLY (A. T.).—You appear to be unfortunate in your attempts at Linnet-keeping, and it is just possible you have this time got hold of an old bird that has almost run his course. Your feeding appears to be excellent, although just now I would advise you to give him a pot of soaked teazel and rape fresh daily, also try him with just a small cube of bread soaked in hot milk, and if he takes it, drop two drops of cod liver oil emulsion upon it. I would also advise a small teaspoonful of Chemical Food in the drinking water; boil the water first or it will not mix. Keep his cage perfectly clean, give nice sharp grit and a little grated cuttlefish bone. With this treatment you should be able to pull him round.

WHAT SEEDS? (H. Hall).—The sample of seed sent is not charlock, but appears to me to be very much like shepherd's purse; this grows abundantly in some fields, and is frequently collected with the growing crops. All the Finches are fond of it, particularly the Linnet. If you have a supply you can give it to your Canaries, using it in with your mixed seed or giving a little as it is about twice a week.

PRESERVING BIRD SKINS (A. T.).—If your Pheasant skin is in good condition it is not the fault of the preservative that has caused it to go dull. No preservative will keep the plumage so glossy as when the bird is alive; this is very noticeable in some species, and I have seen them lose their gloss shortly after death, so much so that the specimen has quite lost its value. If you are not quite satisfied with your present method, why not try arsenical soap, or one of the preservatives sold by animalists?

THE WHITE-LEGGED GOLDFINCH (Admirer).—As you probably know, a freshly caught Goldfinch has dark legs; this colour it retains until the moult, when, if the bird is moulted indoors, its legs lose their blackness and each succeeding moult become paler, until they are almost white. (2) You could hang your Finch outside on fine days, but not when it is very windy. Wherever you hang him put him in such a position that he is fairly comfortable; do not place him where you would not care to stay yourself.

LINNET WITH BARE PATCH (Eye Trouble).—If you can find no trace of insects upon the bird's plumage the cause of the trouble would be improper feeding. Unfortunately you do not tell me how you treat him. Give him an aperient first, just as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in his drinking water, for one day; repeat in two or three days later. Continue to bathe the eye if at all inflamed with half a spoonful of boracic powder dissolved in half a cup of warm water. Damp the powder and rub it into a paste before adding the water. Feed on canary 3 parts, teazel 2 parts, rape and linseed 1 part each. Get a packet of good wild seed mixture and give a spoonful twice a week. Let him have a good supply of wild food, chickweed, shepherd's purse, groundsel, sowthistle, and others which you can still collect in the open on waste ground and along the country roads. Keep the bird free from draughts and hang below the gas at night. If the bird has lost much of its plumage and looks unsightly, just smear a little Kerol ointment over the places for 4 or 5 days, but do not continue it; wait a fortnight and repeat if necessary.

TROUBLE WITH CUCKOO (W. Vickery).—The Cuckoo is one of the most difficult birds to keep in health for any length of time. It is not so much the difficulty of feeding them, for they will eat anything, but giving them the food to suit them. I fear yours has had too much meat, which has affected the liver, and consequently caused death, and I am afraid your other bird will follow him, if

he has not already done so. When a bird like the Cuckoo commences to lose flesh there is practically no remedy. If you should have one another year, let his staple food be a high-class insectile mixture, occasionally mixing with it a little finely chopped hard-boiled egg; cut up some greenfood, lettuce, watercress, and occasionally a little scraped raw carrot, and mix it with it. For insect food, he should have mealworms, beetles, well-scoured gentles, and any caterpillars, etc., you could lay your hands on. Feeding these, just a little scraped or shredded lean meat—mutton, fowl, and rabbit are the best. Although Cuckoos are interesting, as novelties, it is doubtful if they are very desirable cage birds. Considering the time one must spend upon them, I think it is possible to get far more pleasure from some of the other species.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

TANAGERS (F. D. S.).—Necklace Tanager; this name is loosely applied to more than one species of Chlorophonia, but it is mostly the All Green that is so sold, and is most freely imported, and the majority of Necklace Tanagers I have seen have been Chlorophonia viridis. The Black-checked or Lesser Rufous-necked Tanager is Calliste caryana.

AMAZON PARROT (Von Kluck).—(1) I conclude you mean the hook of the beak is half-inch long; if so, this is a little too long. As regards the claws, you must let the way the bird moves about be your guide. If the claws hamper the bird's movement they must be shortened, but if you have never before this operation before, you had better get some fancier or veterinary to do it for you, as you must not cut back to the quick. By watching, you should be able to do this yourself afterwards. (2) Nothing in this, I think. (3) More or less natural, but for a month or six weeks it would be well to put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia into the drinking water once a week. (4) This query needs no answer, as the book you name should prove a safe guide. Treating the above queries as a whole, I should advise you to keep cuttlebone in the cage, also a small log of wood with the bark on, for the bird to exercise its beak upon. It should then require but little trimming down. Whenever there appears the least sign of constipation, give an aperient at once.

MADAGASCAR LOVEBIRDS (A. M. Cook).—This species requires rather a large nesting box, as they carry in a lot of rubbish for their nest, such as leaves, thin strips of bark, small twigs, millet spray stems, etc., all of which you must supply. If you wish them to have any chance of breeding, I do not consider the cage any too big for them without company, though Budgerigars would agree with them, and there is a possibility that both species would go to nest, but you must judge of space by fixing up two hanks at one end of your cage and a small barrel at the other end, then if the space in your cage is not too much used up, you make the attempt with both species. The Budgerigars would certainly breed. So long as they are not exposed to draught both species are hardy and need no special protection. Watch against constipation; at the least signs of this put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the water as often as required to keep the bowels properly regulated.

WEAVERS AND COCKATOOS (Appreciative Reader).—If with the exception of dark brown markings on wing and back it changes to a fiery scarlet, then it is a Madagascar Weaver, but the names of these are legion, and can only be defined by a full description of the males in colour. It is

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Palm Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

only during the breeding season that the cock wears his brilliant garment; during the off season he is very similar to the hen, who retains her "sparrow-like" garment all the year round. Here are a few of those more or less frequently on the market:—Orange, Crimson-crowned, Madagascar, Comora, Grenadier, Napoleon, Red-billed, etc.; some of these are often advertised with the affix Bishop instead of Weaver. As regards the Rose-breasted Cockatoo, I do not think there is much prospect of its breeding in such a cage as you could give it, but if you have a spare attic which you could give up to them, fixing up some good-sized branches for them to climb about on, anything, say, from six to one inch in diameter would meet the case, and also put up a hollow log or barrel, then you should have a good prospect of success, but you would have to protect with metal or wire netting all the exposed wood fittings of the room. If you have a moderately sized out-building, they are quite hardy and would do well in it, but it must be well lighted and strong, or they would soon cut their way out. It requires to be fitted up as above—a wooden building should be lined with half-inch mesh wire netting to prevent their escape.

GREEN CHINESE (S. W. Smith).—Treat the bird as already advised, but you will have to persevere with the treatment, as birds which get into this condition take some time to recover. Keep a watch on the excreta, and at the least sign of constipation give a mild aperient (one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water) once or twice till full relief is given. On the days you are not giving other medicines in the water, half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites in the drinking water will benefit the bird. Also I should give it a piece of sponge into which you have allowed four or five drops of cod liver oil emulsion to soak; give this twice a day for some little time, say, at least two months, then only once a day, and then gradually give less frequently as the bird's condition indicates less need for it, but ceasing only when the bird and its plumage is in good condition. You must not use a metal drinker while giving drugs. Report progress in about two months' time.

KEEPING BIRDS OUTSIDE (Mowgli).—Under the conditions you name I think it would be better to house the Coron Bleus and Lavenders indoors during the winter months, keeping them in a roomy cage; the temperature of any ordinary

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Accrington C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Crown Hotel, 8. Show business.—D. Harwood.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Station Cafe, 8. Members' Show business, etc.—C. Bailey.

Ardwick and Manchester Dis. C.B.A.—Nov. 3, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Washing demonstration; Open Show business.—J. Spencer.

Ashington and Hirst C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Linton Miners' Hall, 7.30. Subs., and to take entries.—Wm. Hall.

Ashton-u-Lyne O.S.—Nov. 3, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Important business; schedules for B.E. Show; prize cards for F.T. Show, etc.—J. Whitehead.

Bootle C.B.S.—Nov. 3, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, 8. Old Show business, etc.—A. E. Hynion.

Bradford East O.S.—Nov. 3, Park Chapel Schools, New Cross St., 8. Meat pie supper, 8.45; friends cordially invited; balance sheets for Annual and Members' Shows.—Wm. Cruise.

Bradford National Show.—Nov. 4, Market Tavern, 8. Special show business. Members having any specials kindly let the secretary have them.—S. Midgley.

Bristol C.B.S.—Nov. 4, City Hall, 8. Final arrangements for Members' Show.—B. Pool.

Buzhope C.B.S.—Oct. 24, Coll Inn, 7. Annual Show business; very important.—J. W. Robson.

Eurton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Nov. 3, New Inn, 8. Schedule for Members' Show.—A. Wood.

Birmingham South O.S.—Nov. 7, Marlboro' Hotel, Small Heath Station, 7. Young Stock Show; birds staged 3.30; judge, C. Wells, Esq. Admission free. Members please send silver cups of society for competition at this show.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Joiners' Arms, 8.—J. Gerrard.

Calnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. Final meeting before open show. All members try and attend.—Smith and Lees.

Crewe O.S.—Nov. 3, Burton Hotel, 8. General bus.—N. L. Croft.

Carlisle Border City O.S.—Nov. 4, King's Head, 7.45. Final arrangements of schedules for New Year's Show; allotment of specials.—J. C. Bell.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Crown Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for Open Show and receive subs.—J. H. Jones.

City of Dundee C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Doig's Rooms, 8. Final arrangements for Club Show, at Locher, on Nov. 14.—A. Law.

Clapham C.E.A.—Nov. 3, Clock House, Clapham Park Road, 8. Distribution of prizes.—T. J. Hose.

Clay Cross C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Angel Hotel, 8. Season tickets and other important bus.—J. Griffiths.

Cliathroe C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Bennet's Tea Rooms, 8. J. Southworth.

Coveyry O.S.—Nov. 4, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Open Show; important.—A. Green.

Derby C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Normanton Hotel, 7.45. Special business.—F. W. Jordan.

East Ardley C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Black Swan, 7.30. Gen. bus.—H. Cockrem.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Headquarters, 8. Final arrangements for Show.—J. Alderslade.

Edinburgh Nor. and Mule B.S.—Nov. 5, 142, High Street, 8. Final arrangements for Annual Show; classification forms ready.—J. Stormont.

living room will suffice. The other birds should do well outside. It will also be best to put a door to the opening you speak about, leaving in it three or four small holes for the birds to go in and out by. If you fix a small platform to each hole, both inside and out, the birds will soon get accustomed to using them. Cordon Bleus and Lavender Finches are kept out of doors and in the best of condition too, but this can only be done with birds that are in finest condition when the winter starts, and if they begin to show the least signs of "going soft" they must be brought in at once. If your aviary is very dry and the locality not a damp one, then I should say that the Cordons and Lavenders would winter it safely therein, but I should not attempt this this winter unless the birds have been in their present quarters practically the whole of the summer. From the above you should be able to deduce, according to your locality and other conditions, the best course to take.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

E. Hight.—Glad to get your cheerful letter and to hear that the sale was such a decided success.

Constant Reader.—The catching of Goldfinches is prohibited almost everywhere. They are protected all the year round in Glamorganshire.

A. S.—In the strict letter of the law we fancy the permission of the district surveyor to be necessary. But if the erection is of wood you are not in the least likely to experience official interference—the height, and, in fact, the dimensions over all, are so comparatively insignificant.

J. W.—We do not think highly of the wild seed sample. It is very dusty and is composed practically entirely of "wild rapes," with a little of knot grass and persicaria seeds. It requires thoroughly sifting and cleansing before being given to birds. To destroy any mites, spread on a tin and place in a moderately hot oven for ten to fifteen minutes.

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East Ham C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Ruskin Hotel, High Street North, 4. Annual Show. Judge, Mr. J. Robson.—F. Onslow.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Nov. 2, Regent Hall, Abbeymead, 8. Final arrangements for Annual Show.—K. S. Spence.

Felling-on-Tyne F.F.S.—Nov. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 6. Monthly meeting and Table Show, judge Mr. F. James; birds staged 6; entries close Nov. 2; half-yearly subs. due.—W. Stockton.

Halifax C.B.S.—Nov. 5, King Cross Band Room, Halifax, 7.30. Cock Show, judge Mr. W. Cruise, West Bowling, Bradford.—A. Sutcliffe.

Halifax O.S.—Oct. 31, Plummet Line Hotel, 7. Members' Show at Plummet Line Hotel; birds staged 7; entries taken before show (all birds), judge Mr. A. Lawford, Huddersfield.—H. Clegg.

Hartlepool C.B.S.—Nov. 7, St. George's Hall. Members' Show, birds staged 12.—Pyman and Thornton.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Nightingale Hotel, High Street, Wood Green 8. Table Show, cage birds, all varieties except Brit., judge Mr. G. Gardner.—P. Brooker.

Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Dawson's Temperance Bar, 7. Business important.—R. H. Dixon.

Islington F.A.—Nov. 2, Headquarters, 8.30. Arrange schedule for Annual Show, also other important business.—W. T. Amery.

Laisterdyke F.A.—Nov. 4, Railway Hotel, 8. Washing competition, judge Mr. E. Padgett, Oct. 31 Members' Show, 7s. 6d. spl. for most points, last three shows, judge Mr. H. Sutcliffe, Windhill; stage 2.30.—W. H. Symes.

Leicester C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Haro and Pheasant, 8.30. Can., unlig., Can. hen, Mule or Hyb., I.I.M. Goldfinches, do. Bullfinches.—J. Hardbottle.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Oct. 31, White Swan, 8. Members' entries taken for Open Show.—A. Freeston.

Llanelli C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Greyhound Hotel, 7. Welsh National Show and our own Show, matters will be under discussion to members; please turn up.—D. John.

London Federation of C.B.S.—Nov. 6, "El Vino," 8.15. General business; delegate from affiliated societies please attend.—J. C. Birch.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Sawley Road C. Schools, 7. and 7.30. Show business; last meeting before Show.—G. Baines.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—Nov. 6, Daybrook Street School, 7.45. Show business.—H. Hall.

Nelson Colne C.B.S.—Nov. 3, 117, Every Street, 8. General, etc.—D. Watts.

Northern Boro. and S.F.C.C.—Nov. 4, Pillars Cafe, 8. Table Show, five classes each section, Yell., Buff, Hen, Green, Cimm.—M. C. Potts.

New Cross C.B.S.—Nov. 5, People's Hall, Tanners Hill, Deptford, S.E., 8. General meeting and annual show report. Will members please send in any unsold tickets and ticket money to enable us to settle accounts.—Burton Bros.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, 8. Important bus., re Nov. Show.—A. Colley.

North Staffs Roller C.C.—Oct. 31, Evans' Cafe, 7. Burslem Show scheme.—J. Tomlinson.

North West London F.A.—Nov. 5, Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley, 8.30.—W. Sutton.

Port and Rhondda Valley C. and C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Headquarters, 7. Lecture by Mr. Challenger on Yorks., show business, and other matters of importance, subs. are due.—J. S. Jones.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Oct. 31, Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, 6. Important Show bus.—A. Percival.

Pudsey and Stanningly C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Fleece Hotel, 8. General business.—H. Raistrick.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Waring's Dining Rooms, 8. Show business, important.—G. Lord.

Ridgeway C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Crown and Anchor, Young Stock Show, birds staged 3, Mr. Wake judge.—C. L. Mallory.

Rosendale Roller Club.—Nov. 3, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.50. Final arrangements for Roller contest.—H. Wantling.

Rodhill C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Watkins' Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for annual show and fixing of specials. Please attend.—A. W. Bacon.

Reading C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Palmer Hall, 8. Final Show bus.; stewards for unpacking and packing birds wanted.—O. C. Smith.

Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S.—Nov. 4, Temperance Club, 8. Show business, etc., important.—W. Adams.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Show business.—Taylor and Bailey.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Mrs. Abbot's Tea Rooms, adjoining Walter Wilson's shop, Front St., 5.30.—W. Dodd.

Scotland Gate C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Social Club, Choppington, 7.30. General bus.—T. Rigg.

Sheffield O.S.—Nov. 3, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Entries received from members of Sheffield C.B., Walkley C.B., Attercliffe C.B., Rotherham C.B., and Sh-field O.S. and Stockbridge, E. C. Job.

Sheffield C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Wentworth Cafe, 8. Lecture by Mr. L. Falding, on British. Specials, and other arrangements of great importance, re the Annual Show, Nov. 28.—A. Hobson.

Shipley O.S.—Nov. 4, Victoria Hotel, 8. Subs. due; specials for Members' Shows.—E. Grange.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Liberal Club, 8. Arranging for Members' Show.—F. Hampshire.

South East London F. and F.A.—Nov. 2, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. General meeting re spls. for Annual Show.—R. Jackson.

Spenn Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 2, Commercial Hotel, 8. Usual business, show reports and balance sheets, also washing exhibition by Mr. J. Allen, Cleckheaton.—S. B. Grayson.

Stanley (Vic.) F.F. and C.B.S.—Nov. 1, Club Room, 6.30. Annual show bus., and spl. prize lists.—W. Elliott.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Nov. 5, Fairhaven Institute, Sea View Road, 8. Question box; final arrangements for Old Show, Nov. 7, and change of judge.—G. Benson.

Walsall C.B.S.—Nov. 4, White Hart Hotel, 8.30. Final arrangements for annual show. Inter-club show bus.—F. Price.

Watford C.B.S.—Nov. 4, 20, St. Albans Road, 8.30. Special meeting; date of Members' Show.—W. Rackley.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Nov. 3, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Stewards, and arrangements for staging for Show, urgent.—W. G. Andrews.

West Stanley C.B.S.—Oct. 31, Com. Hot-l. 7. Stewards, etc., for Annual Show, and special prize list.—W. Elliott.

Wimbleton C.B.S.—Nov. 2, 6, The Broadway, 8. Notice of motion by Mr. E. G. Whitton: "That an Open Show be held." Lufbery lecture by Mr. Allen Silver, F.Z.S., "Birds of Character." Friends heartily welcome.—G. Griffiths.

Windhill C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Balance sheet for Members' Show, and ordinary bus.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Nov. 5, "Duke of York," 8.15. Business, general.—Wm. Harrison.

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BUDGERIGARS, outdoor bred, healthy prize strain, 4/6 pair: Dr. Alexander, Elgin. (1839)

BUDGERIGARS, Green and Yellow, for sale or exchange: Cuffter, Salem-aven., Sunderland. (1835)

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BEAUTIFUL tame Talking Bare-eyed Cockatoo, 30/-, with cage: Pearson's Menagerie, Greenwich. (1843)

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HEALTHY young yellow and green Budgerigars, cheap; over-stocked: Miss Wigram, Frensham, Farnham. (1781)

PAIRS Budgerigars, greens 5/6, yellows 7/6, Javas 3/-, Cutthroats 3/9; Tatchell, Arcade, Bourne-mouth. (1840)

QUAKER Parakeet, new cage, 12/6; exchange puppies: Smith's Aviaries, 13, Tyneham-rd., Lavender Hill, Battersea. (1837)

MAXIMILIANS Parrot (rare), talks, and clever mimic, price £3: Mr. Emmett, 35, Albert-rd., Hounslow, Middlesex. (1822)

BUDGERIGARS, from outdoor aviaries, pair yellow, 6/-; green cocks, 2/- each: Hay, 5, Woodlands-rd., Barnes. (1833)

WINDOW aviary foreign birds, Budgerigars, Green and Yellow Cockatiel, Parakeet, Parrot: 10, Windor-rd., Westcliff, Essex. (1832)

INDIAN Green Parrot and large cage, 15/-; exchange birds: Smith's Aviaries, 13, Tyneham-rd., Lavender Hill, Battersea. (1837)

NOTICE, all varieties Foreign birds at low prices and easy payments arranged; state wants: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1781)

SIXTEEN young Budgerigars for sale, or would exchange for exhibition British, offers wanted: Baines, 6, Toronto-st., Lincoln. (1835)

WANTED to purchase for large private aviary, collections of foreign birds; state lowest cash price: Aviary, Maisonette, Broadstairs. (1839)

EXCHANGE Budgerigars, Javas, Waxbills, also electric battery, for Canaries, Mules, Goldfinches, offers: Ball, 9, Lower Green, Tipton. (1836)

GREEN Budgerigars, outdoor aviary, mostly finger-tame, 5/- pair; cocks, 2/6 each: Simpson, Westbourne House, Avenue-rd., Isleworth. (1837)

BEAUTIFUL accordeon, new, value 27/6, sell 15/-, part exchange Goldfinches, or offers; approval: Kent, 106, Bedwas-rd., Caerphilly, Glam. (1837)

EXCHANGE Budgerigars, Javas, outdoor, for Linnets, Goldfinches, Linnets or Lark cages, seed, scales, offers: Higgs, Waterloo-st., Tipton. (1836)

EXHIBITORS, Melba Finch, Orange Bishop, cocks; Cordou Bleu hen, winners, perfect; offers cash: Townsend, "Montrose," Upper Bognor, Bognor. (1832)

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WANTED, young hen Budgerigar; exchange hen Canary, Yorkshire, 1913; seen any time: Mrs. Whiting, 109, Walton-st., Chichester. (1834)

WANTED, gramophone and records; exchange 5 pair Canaries, 2 breeding cages; approval: Wise, Bootmaker, Keswick, Cumberland. (1823)

WANTED, offers in Canaries for all wool Scotch blankets, or sell, 25/-; Crests preferred: Wright, 11, Mantering-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (1840)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets and all kinds of British birds: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1834)

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WANTED, weekly supplies of Goldfinches, small or large quantities; will give 12/- cocks, and 5/- hens: Mr. Hobbs, 141, King's-rd., Camden Town. (1837)

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WANTED, Canaries, cock Mules, cock Goldfinches, and Bullfinches, cash or exchange cages, any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1840)

WANTED, house-moulted Goldfinch Linnets or Siskin, in exchange for 1 dozen new cage fronts, 14 x 12, or sell, 4/-: G. Lees, Thompson-st., Langley Mill, Derbyshire. (1835)

NOTICE.—Will give 6/- per pair for good Norwich and Yorksbires, also wanted Crests, Border Faneys, Mules; good prices given: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

AFRICAN Grey Parrot, must be good talker, will give good exchange in colour-fed Norwich, all B.L. rung and 1914 bred; satisfaction guaranteed: John A. Grant, Thistle House, Lossiemouth. (1842)

WANTED, any quantity hen Canaries, all breeds, for spot cash; or exchange selected Britishers for show; state breed and lowest price; also wanted, show cages in exchange for Britishers; strictly honourable dealings guaranteed: W. Gore, Gooch-st., Birmingham. (1860)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

of hen Canaries, Norwich, Yorkshires, and Borders, and light hen Goldfinch Mules; will give 15/- to 21/- doz.; cash or deposit, "Cage Birds": Powers and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1828)

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Will give 7/- per pair for large Colour-fed Norwich, 10/- per pair for Crests, 5/- each cock Goldfinch Mules, 4/- each cock Linnets Mules. I also require Lancashires, Lizards, Borders, Scotch Fancies, Yorks., or Norwich Greens and Cinnamons, and Rollers. Good prices given. Will deposit cash with Editor. Send full particulars and stamp for reply.—H. Gledhill, Fleet Lane, Queensbury, Bedford. (1817)

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FRED ALLEN will exchange good British for Canaries: Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (1842)

SIX extra good cock Goldies, sell 4/- each; or exchange; used catching: 5, Esperanto-terr., Cherry-hinton, Cambridge. (1841)

FOUR Goldfinch, two Linnets hen Mules; exchange cage fronts, punch bars, anything: Chesters, Spring Gardens, Tamworth. (1837)

GOOD cock Siskin Mule, nice cock Linnets and hen Goldfinch, for good Roller cock: Hodson, 54a, Spring Garden-rd., Longton, Staffs. (1835)

RARE quality Welsh cock Goldfinch, typical, moult winner, 3/6; exchange singing Canary; letters please: Woodard, The Links, Shrewsbury. (1843)

EXCHANGE good coloured cock Goldfinch, also Linnets, for pair good breeding Norwich: Docherty, Evelyn Road, West Silvertown, London, E. (1835)

WINNERS, H.M. Chaffinch, 7/6; C.F. Greenie, 7/6; Lesser Redpoll, 2/6; exchange lot for pair Norwich Plainheads: Dawson, 183, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1836)

TWO young cock Goldfinches, extra good size and colour; exchange thistle, hardhead, or dandelion seed: W. Fairhurst, 17, Linwood Grove, Longsight, Manchester. (1843)

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LARGE Peartree cock Goldfinch, house-moulted, bred Mules this year, and fit for exhibition; exchange Sebright Bantams, or sell, 12/6; approval, deposit: Ayres, Feethams, Darlington. (1839)

EXHIBITORS.—House-moulted mealy and Lesser Redpoll, can win members' shows, 3/- each; exchange cock Goldfinch or large Norwich hens: G. Lees, Thompson-st., Langley Mill, Derbyshire. (1835)

WANTED, a real good Bullfinch, house-moulted preferred, with good breast colour and cap; exchange dark yellow Goldfinch Mule, colour-fed, or sell 12/6; mutual approval: Tonks, Hollies Drive, Wednesbury. (1834)

NOTICE, two giant English cock Goldies, fit to win prizes in any company, and sure mules, only 5/6 each; or exchange for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries: Power and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1834)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock for pair new cycle covers (28x13), wired: H. Lyall, 6, Camp-st., Maryport. (1833)

EXCHANGE Norwich and Yorkshire hens for show case and cages, or sell: Charles Sauer, 35, Alma-st., Alfreton. (1834)

EXCHANGE, pair Yorkshires, for gramophone records, anything useful, no rubbish: 57, Duckett-rd., Harringay. (1833)

TWO buff Norwich hens, 3/6 each; 3 hen Linnets Mules, 4/-; exchange Bullfinches: Corby, 2, Sydney-rd., Watford. (1834)

EXCHANGE pair Yorkshire Canaries for good gent's overcoat, dark colour: Hill, 20, North-st., Horsham, Sussex. (1836)

FOUR good yellow Yorkshire cocks, fed, worth 15/- each; exchange good gramophone: Hirst, 36, Nelson-rd., Ikley. (1828)

SPLENDID pair Yorkshires, 12/6 pair; young Bullfinches, 2/-; 3 feeding hens, 2/- each: Glegg, Bottesford, Notts. (1839)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorks., Norwich, for scrap brass, copper, block tin: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1842)

EXCHANGE two good Roller hens, for two cock Linnets, must be singing hard; approval: 53, Letitia-st., Middlesboro. (1838)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshire Canaries, for portable greenhouse, or offers: Botell, 4, Alfred Villas, New Eltham, S.E. (1840)

MR. D. PICKERING, 91, Mushroom-lane, Sheffield, will exchange Yorkshires for suit or dress length, or boots. See Yorkshire heading. (1836)

WILL give two pairs of good bred Yorkshires for gent's cycle, or offers, sell £2: Radley, 193, Dale-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1843)

HIGH-CLASS large Yorkshires, two cocks, yellow, buff, 6/6 each; exchange Goldfinches: Delf, 50, Coop-terr., Newsham, Northumberland. (1850)

TWO pairs high-class Norwich Canaries, grand birds, 50/- pair, or exchange anything useful: Melintosh, 25, King-st., Peterhead. (1836)
 PAIR typical Borders, ring, lovely window cage; exchange Parrot, good concertina, offers: Kirkpatrick, 28, West Tower-st., Carlisle. (1835)
 EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshires or Rollers for scrap brass, copper, solder, etc.: W. Whiteley, Buck Wood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1842)
 EXCHANGE six Roller hens, pair of Yorkshires, for Roller Schoolmaster or Norwich hens: F. Owen, 26, Wolverhampton-rd., Cannock, Staffs. (1836)
 EXCHANGE good Roller cock; approval willingly: Hughes, Bod Alaw, Festiniog, N. Wales. (1836)
 CHAMPION H.M. cock Greenlitch and Norwich hen, 5/-; exchange for good Roller hen; yours first: E. Stakes, Sydney-terrace, Lancaster. (1841)
 EXCHANGE pair Norwich, pair Yorkshires, 1 Norwich hen, for Borders or Rollers, sell 30/-; genuine approval: Evans, 76, Brook-st., Penygraig. (1837)

SALE or exchange, 11 Borders, us bred, 20/- for 2 Norwich cocks and 2 Yorkshire hens, yellows; offers: Westcott, Orchard View, Tiverton, Devon. (1838)

WILL exchange pair yellow Canaries for hand-reared hen Bullies or cock Goldfinches, cock Braublench, Chaffinch Hybrid; 40/-: F. Mascall, Standed, Essex. (1834)

SEVEN English bred Rollers, 3 breeding cages, quantity wire fronts, nest pans, etc.; exchange 10th disc records; offers: G. Wagg, Alina Place, Snettisham, Norfolk. (1839)

TWO variegated Border cocks (1914), 12/6 each; exchange Crests or Norwich; pair pedigree racing homers, 15/-; exchange Canaries, British: Leigh, 89, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1838)

WILL give four English bred Roller cocks (selling price, £1 5s.) for two good unrelated pairs clear Norwich, 1913 birds preferred: J. Waight, 65, Dupont-rd., Raynes Park, S.W. (1837)

EXCHANGE Cinnamon Yorkshire cock and buff Yorkshire cock and yellow Norwich cock for Seifert Rollers, cocks or hens, or Yorkshire hens: Ash, No. 24, Dolevelin-st., Caerphilly, Glam. (1837)

NOTICE. Will give good exchange in Yorkshire, Norwich, and Border show cages for Canaries or Mules, Goldfinches, or Bullfinches, or Foreign birds: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1791)

SIX Yorkshire, two Norwich hens, 2/- each; two mules, 1/- each; two Yorkshire cocks, 5/6 each; all through moult; exchange gramophone with records, or offers: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (1837)

EXCHANGE: giving up all my stock; high-class Glucke Rollers for sale; cocks 10/6, hens 3/-; exchange sheets, curtains, cigars, gent's boots, cycle, 2-speed; offers: Morrison, 16, Charnley-rd., Blackpool. (1836)

EXCHANGE 6 young Roller Canaries, some variegated, all rung, cold room, 1914, for healthy Grey or Green Talking Parrot, acclimatised, must be good bird, or sell 36/-: F. Crowther, Post Office, Fryton, Castleford. (1832)

VERY large yellow Norwich cock, winner, two 1st, 17/6; house-moulted cock Goldfinch, bred light Mules, 7/6; house-moulted cock Linnet, bred Mules, 5/-; exchange Yorkshire cocks, in song: Smith, 27, Sweet-st., Plaistow, London, E. (1838)

Mainly Foreign.

WHAT offers in Canaries for Indian Parrot: Foote, Chapel-st., Westminster, near Sherborne, Dorset. (1838)

EXCHANGE talking Parrot and cage for birds, or good dog, sell 25/-: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1837)

MAGPIE, hand-reared, 1914, 7/6; or exchange air-gun, fishing line, anything: A. Brown, 28, Harlestone-rd., Northampton. (1832)

PAIR Adult Californian Quail, 20/- pair; Madagasars, 2/6; both perfect; about 30ft. 1/2 wire netting, about 7lbs. cuttle fish; what offers in cash or exchange?: Phillips, Boat Builder, Rye, Sussex. (1839)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE twelve climbing roses for breeding cages: Collins, Orchard Bishop, N. Devon. (1838)

EXCHANGE four pure White Leghorn cockerels for Rollers: Barraclough, South Hindley, Barnsley. (1835)

TWO cocks and two hens, Black Pekins; exchange livestock: Telford, Springhill, Croesgates, Fife. (1840)

EXCHANGE double-sided records for poultry or rabbits: Robinson, 17, Sandringham, Willesden Green. (1834)

TWO Hawfinch show cages and case, 7/6; or exchange: A. Foley, 4, Picton-st., New Boultham, Lincoln. (1836)

WANTED, front cycle carrier; give in exchange cock Goldfinch, or sell 7/6: Hoddinott, Butts Green, Emsay. (1824)

WANTED, offers for 2 dozen cock Chaffinches or exchange for Bullfinches: S. Corby, 2, Sidney-rd., Watford. (1834)

STAND camera, also F6 lens; offers; exchange, wanted gramophone records: Uttley, Hope Place, Liverpool. (1838)

COLT'S repeating rifle, calibre 44, good condition, £9 10/-; or exchange: Gaut, Croxton Park Garage, St. Neots. (1838)

GRAMOPHONE, cost three guineas, also 20 records, lot 35/-; or exchange: Bliss, 782, Stratford-rd., Birmingham. (1834)

WHAT offers in cage birds in exchange for Spaniel dog pup, three months old?—Knight, Fruiterer, Merthyr Tydfil. (1840)

EXCHANGE violin, nice tone, for two young Roller cocks, or offers: J. Thomas, 8, Heol-fadu, Garth, Mae-teg, S. Wales. (1836)

LAYING Pullets, Canaries, Parrots, Dogs, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwell. (1842)

AMAZON Parrot, splendid talker, £6; banjo, 10/-; mandoline 20/-; exchange cock birds or cages: 56, Tamworth-rd., Croydon. (1835)

DANE bitch pup, grand specimen, £3, or nearest offer, in exhibition cage birds: Fryer, Dashwood Avenue, High Wycombe. (1835)

TWO pairs show homers, well bred; exchange two pairs Norwich Canaries; approval: W. Johnson, 113, Heysham-rd., Southampton. (1835)

SONG Thrush show cage and case, by Walsh, Blackburn, used twice, beautifully made, 5/6; Ward, 10, St. Thomas's-rd., Spalding. (1835)

GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-; also gent's heavy silver Albert; exchange Canari or offers: Golding, 19, Brunswick Close, Clerkenwell. (1831)

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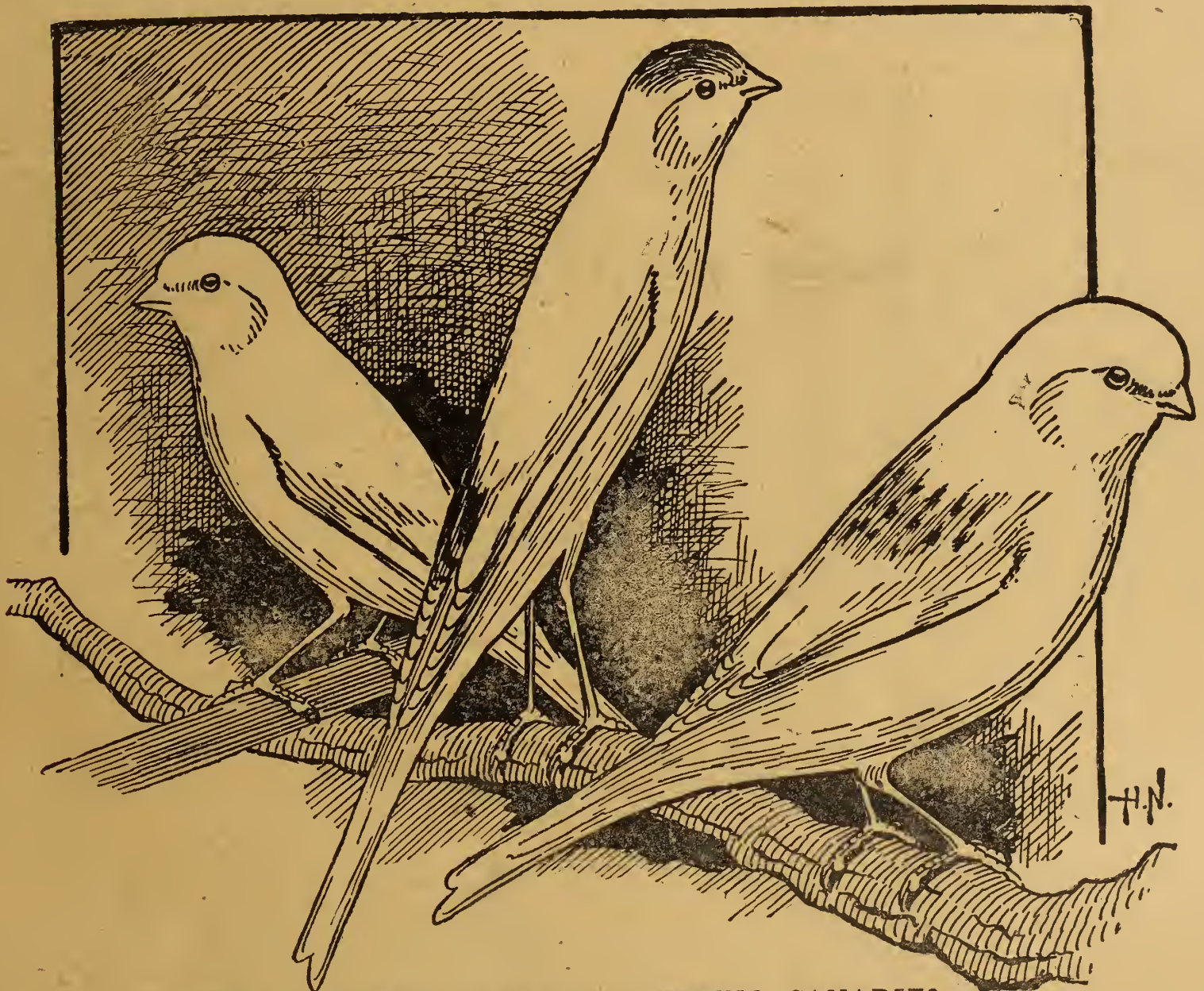
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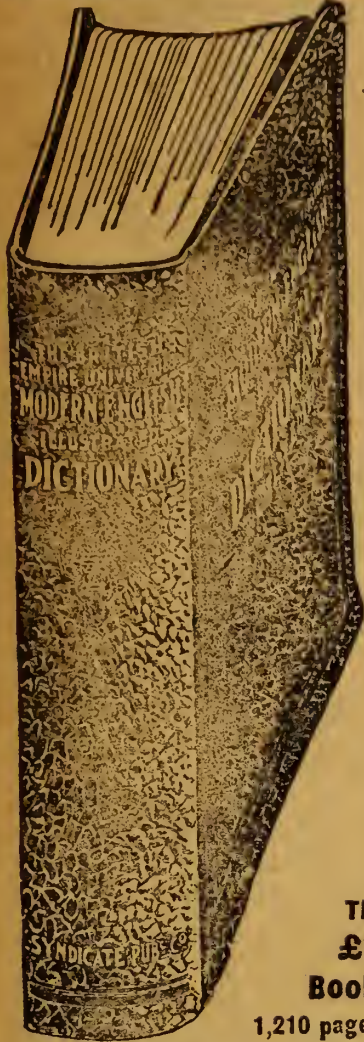
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NORWICH—A few first-class Norwich for sale; state requirements; stamp reply: W. C. Smith, Stronvar, Balquhider, Perthshire. (1852)

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STOUT unflighted Norwich, winning strain, cheap; cocks 4/6, 5/6, 6/6; hens 3/-, 4/-; approval, deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (1852)

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SIX pairs beautiful Norwich Canaries, inspection invited by appointment; 36/-, or would separate: Hobbs, 21, Ashburnham-rd., Greenwich. (1824)

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TWENTY pairs high-class Norwich, sale, from 10/- upwards pair; Joe Thomas and other well-known strains; offers: Leng, 116, Abbey-st., Rugby. (1851)

NORWICH, hens from 2/6, cocks 5/-; show stock from 10/-; two fed buff cocks 12/6 each, can win, state wants: Furness, 32, Onslow-rd., Little Layton, Blackpool. (1850)

NORWICH Canaries, colour-fed, from 10/6, natural from 8/6 pair, cocks 7/-, hens from 4/-; winning strain; state wants: James Sadd, Fairland, Hingham, Norfolk. (1846)

HIGH-CLASS

Exhibition Norwich cocks and hens, also for breeding, at stock bird prices. State requirements. Or for stock purposes try any of following on approval; nothing like the value ever offered in this Journal. Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up.; cages, 3d.; detailed list free: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich. (1853)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large, grand type, good heads, best strain in England, several winners, 35 years' breeder, cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

LARGE yellow Norwich cock, good colour and substance, 15/-; another, enormous head, £1 5/-; monster unflighted buff cock, 15/-; grand buff hen, 10/-: E. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (1850)

WINNERS, owing to business, am compelled to sell all my show and stock birds, from 5/- to £3 each; first orders get them: Andrew, North-rd. Avon, Whitmore, St. Austell, Cornwall. (1824)

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HAVING sold all my high-priced birds through my last advertisement, have a few left from my winners; cocks from 7/6; hens from 4/-; yellows or buffs: Rowley, The Briars, Alphington, nr. Exeter. (1852)

TWO buff unflighted cocks 10/6 each; 1 buff hen, 10/-; 2 yellow hens 7/- each; yellow H.M. cock Siskin 4/6; approval, bargains: John Cuthbertson, 11, Townhead-st., Stonehouse, Lanarkshire, N.B. (1849)

EXHIBITION unflighted colour-fed buff Norwich cock, magnificent specimen for size and show points; accept 17/6; fit for classical shows; worth £3 3/-: A. Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1856)

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VARDY'S strain, monster buff var. cock, make grand stock bird, 10/3; clear buff, make good show bird, 12/6; good hens, from 4/6; one topper, buff marked, 6/6; G. Nelson, 18, Chester-st., Rugby. (1850)

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EXHIBITION Norwich, all my stock to clear, including winners, at leading shows, grand yellow cock, 70/-; buff cock, 60/-; others from 7/6 to 30/- each; approval, deposit: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (1850)

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REMOVING; must reduce stock; buff tick cock, winner, 22/6, yellow do., 20/-; buff marked cock, unflighted, 12/6; yellow do., 10/-; clear yellow hen, 7/6; do., 5/-; clear buff hen, 7/-; do., 3/6; Greenfinch and hen 6/-; Smedley, 88, Royston-avenue, Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (1850)

REMOVING shortly, compelled to sacrifice about hundred grand Norwich, any colour, including even and uneven marks, pairs 10/- upwards; state requirements; approval, also young Amazon Parrot, tame, talking, square cage included, 50/-: Martin Cook, 30, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth. (1852)

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JUDGING from enquiries and orders resulting from my advertisement appearing October 24th last, fanciers are as keen as ever for reliable stock. Remember, I do not purchase to sell, so that when my surplus is cleared I can only offer you "re-pret" that you did not write earlier. Special bargains this week in four pairs at 15/- per pair; other pairs and singles equally cheap considering their distinctive features. Write now: E. Allsopp, 40, Bedard-rd., Cardiff. (1845)

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FIVE dark Linnets Mules, one Goldfinch Mule, in full song, pure wild notes, 10/- each; Edgar, 128, Ponthill-rd., Pimbury Park. (1849)

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GRAND, cock Goldfinch-Bullfinch, hybrid, 1914, £3 10s.; cock Linnets-Mule, 25/-; both ready for show: Rawlings, 234, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (1847)

SIX 1914 cock Goldfinch Mules, Finch song, 7/6 each; one yellow variegated, 10/-; large birds; approval: J. Evans, 33, Upper High-st., Rhymney, Mon. (1849)

LARGE pink-eyed Sib. bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 7/6, 5/6; cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1839)

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A BARGAIN, loud 1913 cock Linnets Mule, pure wild note, 7/6; also house-moulted Linnets, 2/6, or 9/- the two, used to the nets: H. Casey, 20, Sidney-st., Hitley-rd., Oxford. (1854)

THREE Sib. young cocks, Sperry strain, 7/6; house-moulted Pea-throat cock Goldfinch, 6/-; wanted, Siberian Goldfinch: Morris, 31, Alma-st., Treecynon, Aberdare, Wales. (1856)

TWO rich coloured Goldie cocks, selected for mulling, grand blaze and tanings, 3/6 each; unflighted yellow and buff Norwich cocks, 5/-: H. Welsh, Constall-buildings, Stamford, Lincs. (1850)

LIGHT and dark exhibition and singing Mules and Hybrids, also good mulling hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; cages, 3d. extra; approval; some extra good hand-reared Goldfinches: Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

HYBRIDISERS! hen Bullie, hen Chalfinch; both laid in cage two successive seasons; cock Greenie, H.M., large birds; sell 7/-; exchange Roller cock or Siberian cock Goldie, H.M.: Bemrose, Bracklen Hill, Cheshelton. (1847)

HYBRIDISERS! I have the largest stock of Bullfinches in Staffordshire; cocks, 1/-, 1/6; hens, 9d., 1/-; Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/6; one extra good specimen, 5/-; want 2 Siskins; G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Longton, Staffordshire. (1855)

LIGHT buff mule cock, dark yellow mule cock, dark buff variegated, all 1913 bred, cock Hawfinch, cock Yellowhammer, cock Twites; these are all a grand size and colour, fed and ready for the show bench; will give preference to anyone taking the lot: W. Portman, Morgan-st., Cardigan. (1839)

LINNET, Goldfinch and Siskin Canary Mules, cocks in full song, with pure wild notes, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; hen Mules, 1/- each; grand lot of exhibition and mulling birds; see list, free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1855)

1914 COCK Goldfinch Mules, including 1 yellow show specimen, 10/-; another, 7/6; 3 other yellows, and 3 buffs, 6/- each, or 44/- the eight; 3 Goldfinches, 6/- each; mulling pairs, 10/6; giving up mulling; approval: Martin, Confectioner, 41, Sophia-st., Doeks, Cardiff. (1853)

EXHIBITORS—One grand Goldie/Greenie, 1st Manchester, only time shown, colour-fed, £1 15/-; also grand Lesser Redpoll, H.M., 15/-; also good F.M. Goldfinch, make certain winner, 12/6; bargains, giving up for business reasons: C. H. Stratford, 12, Haddon-st., Gorton, Manchester. (1851)

TIME, trouble, and money saved! Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, foreign birds: Pearson's Menagerie, Greenwich. (1857)

PAIR Green Budgerigars, sell 4/-, or offers: W. Stamp, Kiton Lindsey, Lincolnshire. (1840)

HEALTHY Talking King Amazon Parrot, 20/-; Lloyd, Aviarics, Gorseinow, Swansea. (1840)

BUDGERIGARS, Green and Yellow, for sale or exchange: Cutler, Salem-aven., Sunderland. (1835)

BEAUTIFUL pair acclimatised Red-eas for sale: G. Frankham, 45, Walton-lane, Liverpool. (1856)

AFRICAN Grey Parrot, good talker, etc., £3 5s.; Hooper, 89, Handcroft-rd., Croydon. Found 1904. (1848)

AFRICAN Grey Parrot, good talker, etc.; three guineas: Hooper, 89, Handcroft-rd., Croydon. (1844)

HEALTHY young yellow and green Budgerigars, cheap; over-stocked: Miss Wigram, Frensham, Farnham. (1851)

RED-CRESTED Cardinal, two years, acclimatised, good condition, price 12/6: Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Farnico, London. (1845)

OUTDOOR Green Budgerigars, 4/ pair, cocks 1/6; Cockatiels, 2 cocks 4/- each; Jackson, Hard Crag, Gungah-over-Sands. (1846)

SIX young Budgerigars, 11/-, 4/- pair; Madagascar Weaver cock, 5/-; pair Goldfinches, 3/-: Baines, 6, Toronto-st., Lincoln. (1845)

PARROTS, lovely pets and talkers, with or without cages, four months' talking warranty: Copp, Wardrobe Stores, Dartford. (1855)

NOTICE, all varieties Foreign birds at low prices and easy payments arranged; state wants: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1851)

HEALTHY outdoor aviary-bred young green Budgerigars, 4/- pair; beautiful adult yellows, 7/- pair; Rutter, Manchester-rd., Lostock Gralam, Cheshire. (1834)

EXCHANGE talking Parrot, whistles, comes out of cage, for birds, etc., 25/-; Jopson, 346, Oldham rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1855)

WANTED, to purchase, for large private aviary, collections of foreign birds; state lowest cash price: Aviary, Malmesbury, Broadstairs. (1850)

ONE pair Golden-breasted Waxbills, one pair common Waxbills, also large cage, lot 7/6; or exchange: Anthony, Cotteridge, Birmingham. (1848)

30/- TALKING Amazon Parrot, year old, acclimated, tame, perfectly healthy; cage given purchaser—Swann, 85, Berwick-st., Liverpool. (1850)

VARIETY acclimated foreign Finches, fine plumage, aviaries; list, prices, and view: Madagascar, 17, Park-avenue, Willesden Green, N.W. (1854)

BUDGERIGARS, guaranteed healthy, outdoor bred; low prices; overstocked; Green 4/6, Yellow 6/6 pair—Gibbons, One Ash, Luton, Beds. (1851)

FOUR young Cockatiels, 5/6 each, 20/- lot; green cock Budgerigars, 2/- each; all bred open outdoor aviary: Millar, 49, Wellington-st., Portobello, N.B. (1849)

VERY fine Green Budgerigars, bred from unrelated parents in outdoor aviary, 5/- per pair; cock Zebra Finch 3/6; E. Brown, Sherburn, E.R. Yorkshire. TALKING Amazon Parrot and cage, 45/-; would exchange for African Grey; cash adjustment; approval: Stainton, 40, South Parade, Gainsborough. BUDGERIGARS, green, adult pairs, 5/-; young cockatiels, 4/- each; from outdoor aviary: Tom Ivertton, Newbrighton, Cottingley, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1850)

GENUINE African Grey, talks, whistles, good mimic, very tame, perfect condition, £3 10/-; good cage included: Fromant, 240, Woolwich-rd., Charlton, S.E. (1852)

BUDGERIGARS, Green or Yellow, 2/- each, to clear: Pekin Nightingales, 4/- pair; all in excellent condition; from out-door aviary: F. Perry, Warren-rd., Rhyl. (1847)

PARROT can say almost anything, laughs, sings and whistles, 35/-; also Red and Grey, tame, 15/-; cheap: Burch Bros.' Dairy, Percival-rd., Bush Hill Park, Eadfield. (1844)

EXHIBITORS, pair Whydahs, £1 pair; Scarlet and Black Bishops, second and third Oxford (see last week's report of same), 15/-; Oliffe, Church Green, Witney. (1849)

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Club Reports.

DARVEL C.B.S.

General meeting, Oct. 23, Town Hall, before a fair turnout. Final arrangements were made for Club Show, Nov. 14, schedule of 25 classes was drawn up, entries not later than Nov. 11, so members come away with your entries and make the show a huge success.—James Fairful, Sec.

GLASGOW (Bridgeton E. End) O.S.
Meeting, Vice-President, Mr. J. Muir, in chair. The first business was entries for annual show, Nov. 7. Judging from 10 to 1; doors open at 1. Prize drawing for gift class, which contains 7 valuable Canaries and cages given by members, will take place at 5; also presentation of cups, medals, and prizes to winners.—D. Burnett, Sec.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Special meeting Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, Oct. 29. Mr. M. C. Potts chair. Messrs. T. Robson, T. Dixon, and W. Reid were selected as judges for show, Nov. 14. Entrance, 1s. per cage; 6s., 4s., 3s., 2s. prize-money; if less than 15 entries any class, entry fees will be divided in the proportion of 6, 4, 3 and 2. Classes for judges decided on. Show closes 8.30.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

POPLAR C.B.S.

Meeting, Headquarters, All Hallows School Room, East India Dock Road, Oct. 29. After general business, including final arrangements for Annual Show, Nov. 7, in the School Rooms, doors open at one o'clock (Poplar is noted for quality, come and see them). Mr. J. Wyatt gave his lecture and exhibition on Canary washing, which was thoroughly enjoyed. The lecturer was then plied with questions for the benefit and interest of the members. Vote of thanks to Mr. Wyatt terminated the meeting.—F. H. Marhoff, Hon. Assist. Sec.

CRESTED CANARY CLUB.

The committee have accorded the L.C.B.A. the following support: 5s. for the best Crest; 5s. for best Crestbred; 10s. 6d. for best 1914 Crested wearing the club's closed ring; 10s. 6d. for best 1914 Crestbred ditto; 5s. for best yellow Crest; 5s. for best yellow Crestbred; 5s. for best Novice Crest; 5s. best Novice Crestbred. All members must add C.C.C. on entry form for inclusion in catalogue. There must not be less than 4 competing members for each and every special, and no member can win more than one cash special.—J. Tyson, Sec.

BIRTLEY, CHESTER-LE-STREET AND PELTON FELL (Amal.)

We are holding our 1st annual members' show in the Dun Cow Hotel, Chester-le-Street, Nov. 7, when we are looking forward to our members giving our judge (Mr. J. Riscborough, of Sunderland) plenty of work to do. As members have had a very fair breeding season, fanciers visiting the district will have an opportunity of seeing some good birds. If any member who has not received a schedule will bring his birds to the show by 10 a.m. he can get them entered. Specials and donations are coming in very well, so members rally up.—R. Ward, Sec.

ABERTILLERY C.B.S.

Meeting Oct. 28, Prince of Wales Hotel, Mr. Probert presiding. Mr. Broome, of Blenavon, sent a letter asking for a members' show to be held at Blenavon, and it was unanimously decided that we should hold same about the middle of January. Messrs. A. Hoskins and F. Taylor, of Newbridge, and E. Warr and W. Small, Abertillery, were elected as members. I understood that two or three more fanciers will be nominated at next meeting. A discussion took place re the Welsh National Show, and it was decided that sec. should represent the society at Cardiff next Saturday. The well-known Yorkshire fancier, Mr. Newell, was elected as assistant sec. The presentation of members' specials terminated a very pleasant evening. Now, members, rally up at next meeting, Nov. 14, at 7.30.—H. H. Mortimer, Hon. Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Meeting held Oct. 26. Mr. P. Critchlow (Hanford) elected a member. Show delegate's report was considered satisfactory. Mr. F. W. Alcock was appointed as steward to assist at the Hanley Show. Secretary was instructed to forward list of financial members' names who are eligible to exhibit at the coming inter-club shows, to the show secretaries. Members who have paid no subscriptions will not be included in this list. Next meeting Monday, Nov. 9.—J. Plitchford, Sec.

NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE (East End)

Meeting Oct. 28, Leighton's School, Heaton Road. Mr. Hutchison presiding over a good attendance. Two new members were elected—Messrs. Farrar and Hyslop, Newcastle. Decided to add a gift class to schedule, the birds to be given to donors of specials. I hope members will do their best regarding this, and let me have a good account next meeting, Nov. 11. Classes being allotted to judges, and rules drawn up for show, the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chairman.—J. W. Coult, Sec.

REDHILL C.B.S.

The Southern Border Fancy Club has decided to give the patronage to Redhill Show Dec. 2. There is a good list of specials for members. I have been able to get the Y.M.C.A. Rooms, well lighted and perfectly free from draughts. I make an earnest appeal for all members to send us as many entries as possible. There need be no anxiety about the trains, as there are plenty run to Redhill, it being a junction, and I shall see that all trains are met so that birds will be in the hall all night, and not on the station.—A. W. Bacon, Hon. Sec.

ALTRINGHAM (Open) C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 21, Station Cafe, Mr. T. Harrison presiding over a splendid meeting. Mr. W. Robinson fully demonstrated and gave advice on how a bird should be handwashed. Six novice members made attempts at copying Mr. Robinson's methods with moderately good success. Mr. Robinson complimenting one novice for the way he handled his bird. The meeting was much indebted to the demonstrator for his good advice and splendid lesson, and passed a unanimous vote of thanks. Members' Show, Nov. 21, 1 to 8.30, Rigby Memorial Schools, Navigation-rd. Proceeds to be given in aid of the local Relief Fund. Great efforts are to be made to ensure a successful show, especially as one of our members, Mr. A. Jackson, is reported as missing from the 1st Cheshire Regt., now on active service.—Chas. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Committee meeting at London and P.O.S. Show, Lambeth Baths, Oct. 28. Decided that owing to the usual patronage not being able to be taken up by shows according to the existing rules of the club, that at the forthcoming Show of the London C.B.A., the S.N.P.H. Club give six cash specials of 5s. each, for competition among its members exhibiting at the show, three to champion section and three to novice. Mr. J. W. Ramsden will give two silver cigarette cases to novice section, Mr. Crawford a lady's umbrella to champion section, and myself (Hon. Sec.), a box of Scotch shortbread, and a box of chocolate biscuits. The committee hope that members that have not paid yet will kindly do so without an official notice. In order to keep expenses in hand, there will be no rule book issued for 1914. The particulars of competition will be issued in the schedule of the London C.B.A., but subs. must be paid before date of show to our club. Any fancier joining now will be eligible to compete.—F. S. Matthes, Hon. Sec., 34, Rotherhithe New Road, S.E.

SOUTHERN BORDER F.C.

Societies accepting our patronage, and the dates of the shows are:—London C.B.A., Nov. 26, 27, and 28, judge Mr. D. Jenkins; Redhill, Dec. 2, judge not yet appointed; and Llanely, Jan. 12, judge Mr. H. Norman. The list of specials as published in the year book has been cancelled, and the following are the specials now offered for competition this season: Diploma for best Bord.; 2s. 6d. best champ. Bord.; 2s. 6d. best novice Bord.; 2s. 6d. best fourth prize Bord.; 5s. most points at each show; 10s. most points during the season, all birds to count; 10s. 6d. most points gained throughout the season in Greens and Canas., exhibitors' two highest birds at each show to count. Members will agree this is a very liberal list. I know you all hate to mutilate your CAGE BIRDS, but just cut this paragraph out, stick it in a prominent place in the bird-room, and make up your mind to win at least one of these specials. The committee hope that every member will do his utmost to support the patronage shows, indeed all catering for "We Gems."—Geo. Burton, Sec. (pro tem.).

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Hayle (Cornwall).—Parochial Hall, Nov. 23. Judge, C. H. Toy. 23 open cl.: Nor. 5, Yorks. 5, A.O.V. 1, Pairs 1, Mules 2, Brit. 6, For. 1, Sell. 2, 7 Local classes. Prizes, 6s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Fee 1s. Ent. close Nov. 19, to A. T. Coombe, Fore Street.

Tong (Yorks).—Council Schools, Harry St., Dudley Hill, Bradford, Nov. 14; judge H. W. Battye. 26 classes: 16 Open Yorks., 10 Y.U. Nov. (Limit £5 5s.). Prizes, 10s., 6s., 4s., 2s.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Nov. 10, to W. Walker, 10, Oddy St., Tong St., Dudley Hill, Bradford.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linet contest, George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge Street, Oct. 31. 26 birds sang for 3 good prizes for time singing. 1, 2, shared, S. Morley and J. Cooper; 3, J. Cooper.—S. Morley, Sec.

LEEDS.

Contest, Old Bird House, Skinners Lane, Buntingthorpe, Nov. 1. 19 birds competed. 1, 3, Ward; 2, Binns. Judges: Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton.

Original Leeds and Dis. Linnet and Canary Club held weekly sing, Nov. 1, at Albion Hotel, Saville Green. 25 birds were hung, and some splendid singing was heard by a good crowd. First was won by Tommy Johnson, with his champion "Jack Johnson," who sang beautifully; 2, Tom Stead, with a good bird; 3, S. Johnson, with a good young 'un. Judges: Hardcastle, Naylor, and Jennings. Tommy Johnson wishes all Linnet fanciers to know that his bird is open to sing any other bird, and arrangements can be made with him at any time at the above house, his only club house.

At the above house a Roller Canary contest will be held Nov. 8; good prizes; first pair hung 7 p.m.—Walt. Naylor, Sec.

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SCALE OF CHARGES, which must be fully PREPAID.

1/4-inch 2/-, 1/2-inch 3/-, 1 inch 6/-

For Full Tariff See Last Week's Issue.

THE CITY and SUBURBAN'S

Nineteenth Annual Show takes place on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13th and 14th, at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, Marylebone, W. Alight from buses passing either Baker Street or High Street, Marylebone.—Victor Wynn, Hon. Sec.

Make READING Another Record

17 Open Classes, 5 Norwich, 5 Yorks., 1 A.O.V. Can., 1 Goldfinch, 1 A.O.V. British, 4 Foreign. Prizes: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, with 2/6 Cash Specials. Entrance fee, 1/6. All Prize Money will be paid within one week of show. As a penny of every entry goes to Prince of Wales' Fund, send entries along now. Show, Wednesday, Nov. 11th. Entries extended till first post Sunday, Nov. 8th.—O. C. Smith, Secretary, 73, Audley Street, Reading.

OLD SHILDON Nov. 13 & 14.

Workmen's Club Cage Bird Society (members of the Yorkshire Union). 21 Classes for Canaries and 7 Classes for British, composed of 5 for Norwich, 5 for Yorkshires, 3 for Crests, 1 Novice, 2 Borders, 4 Selling, 7 for British and Mules and Hybrids. 5/- Special for most points in Crest classes. Schedules have been sent out; those who have been missed should write for same. And we ask members of the Yorkshire Federation to rally round us and give us a bumping entry. Grand hall, plenty of light, hot water. Popular Judges: J. Stanger (Pelton Fell), W. Reid (Sunderland).—Sec., John Ainsworth, 15, Vaughan Street, Shildon, Durham.

ACCRINGTON

Open Show of Norwich Plainheads, O.N.P.C. patronage, Saturday, Nov. 14, at Crown Hotel, near Station. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-. Entrance fee, 1/6; half prize money in classes less than 9 entries. Judge: E. Godley, Esq., Rishton. Class 1, Yell. Ck.; 2, Buff Cock; 3, Yell. or Buff Hen; 4, Unflighted Yell.; 6, Unflighted Buff; 6, Unflighted Hen. Amateur Classes: 7, Yellow Ck.; 8, Buff Ck.; 9, Yell. or Buff Hen. All birds to be staged Friday night, or before 9 o'clock Saturday morning. All birds sent off in time to reach home same night if possible. Entries close Wednesday, Nov. 11. Catalogues by post 4d.—D. Harwood, Sec., Craven Street, Accrington. Please enter from this. (1857)

HALIFAX O.S. 25th ANNUAL OPEN SHOW.

Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20th and 21st. Judges: Mr. W. Mundell (Bradford), and Mr. W. Vardy (Hucknall Huthwaite).

RECORD PRIZE MONEY 26/- per CLASS.

31 Classes, 1/6 entry. Schedules from Mr. H. Clegg, 15, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax. Show room, Friendly and Trades' Hall, Halifax. Entries close November 17th.

The 26th Annual Great International Cage Bird Exhibition will be held jointly by the

L. C. B. A.

(London Cage Bird Association), N.B.B. and M.C. (National British Bird and Mule Club), and the F.B.E.L. (Foreign Bird Exhibitors League), on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Nov. 26, 27, and 28, 1914, supported by the C.C.S., N.P.C. and O.N.P.C., S.B.F.C.E. and W.B.F.C., L. and L.F.A., G.C.A., etc. Huge Classification. Full staff of competent Judges, and innumerable specials. Profits to be devoted to the British Red Cross Society. Entries close Nov. 16, 1914. Schedules from: John Tyson, 169, Sloan St., London, S.W.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Annual Show, Kelvedon Hall, Kelvedon Road, Waltham Green, Saturday, Nov. 7th. Over 70 classes. Show open 2 o'clock. Now, London fanciers, rally round.—John Jeffrey, Press Sec. (1840)

KIRKINTILLOCH SHOW

will be held on Saturday, Nov. 7th, in Temperance Hall. 12 Open Classes, 52 Confined. Schedules from: James Dick, Glasgow Bridge, Kirkintilloch. Entries received morning of show.

LEITH O.S.

Annual Show, Nov. 14th, Junction Road Church Hall, Bonnington Road. Doors open 1 o'clock. Admission 4d. Entries close Nov. 7th.—G. W. Brown, Sec., 8, Elm Place, Leith. (1847)

NORTH WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Second Annual Show in "Blythswood Halls," 236, Gt. Western Road, on Saturday, Nov. 14th. Admission 6d. Doors open 1 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.—Wm. Loan, Sec.

SALE & Dist. C.B.S.

The 8th Annual Open Show will be held on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 27 and 28, in the Technical Schools, Sale. Judges: Messrs. C. A. House and A. Hirst. 42 Open Classes, 10 Novice Classes. Schedules from: G. F. Hardcastle, 202, Cross Street, Sale.

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT C.B.A.

Show going on Union Halls, West Nile Street (directly opposite West Regent Street), Glasgow. Nov. 20th and 21st.—W. Hutchinson, 163, Hospital Street, Glasgow.

NEWCASTLE

Ninth Annual Show (Members), under Northern Specialist Societies' patronage, Nov. 14th, Co-operative Hall, Darn Crook, Newgate Street. 66 Classes. Entry fee, 1/-. Entries close Nov. 9th.—J. W. Reed, 218, Ladykirk Road, Newcastle.

9th Open Show, Nov. 28. Can., Mules, Brit., For. Birds.—J. Jackson, 14, Crown St., Cockermouth.

BRADFORD NATIONAL Nov. 21st, 1914.

In aid of the Cinderella Club Funds. COMPETITION OPEN TO THE WORLD.

Fourth Annual Open Show, in the Drummond Road Council School. Under the patronage and ruling of the Y.U. of C.B.S., the Yorks. C.C., G.M.Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., and the Green C.A. Judges: P. Mason, H. Sutcliffe, R. Halliday, and W. Mundell.

Open Yorks. Classes, 20. Open Green Yorks. Classes, 4. Open Novice Classes, 4. Y.U. Novice Classes, 12. Selling Classes, 3. British and Hybrids, 5. Entries close Tuesday, Nov. 17. Entry fee 1/6.

Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, and 2/-, also Cup for best Yorks., and Valuable Specials, including one guinea for most points by an exhibitor outside Yorkshire. Schedule will appear next week.—S. Midgley, 10, Victoria St., Clayton, Bradford.

COVENTRY O.S.

will hold their 35th Annual Open Show in aid of the Relief Fund. Judge, J. Robson, Esq. A grand array of Specials as usual. Entries close Nov. 14th, just in time. Schedules: A. Green, 56, Arden Street, Earlsdon, Coventry.

DUBLIN

Yorkshire Canary and Cage Bird Society of Ireland Show will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 25 and 26, 1914, in the Ancient Concert Rooms, Dublin. Judge, R. Halliday. 52 Classes. Good Specials. Entries close Saturday, Nov. 21. Schedules: C. Lattimore, 5, Little Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin.

WADEBRIDGE (CORNWALL)

Show, Nov. 11th, 1914. Entries close Nov. 5th. Cage Birds 14 classes. Schedules from: E. Mitchell, Eglos-hayle Road, Wadebridge, Cornwall.

Open Cage Birds Show, Feast-Monday, Nov. 23rd. Judge: C. H. Toy. Prize Money, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-. Entry fee, 1/-. Special prize for every class. Schedules: A. T. Coombe, Hon. Sec.

ABERSYCHAN and DIST. C.B.S.
3rd Annual Show will be held December 3rd in Co-operative Hall.—F. Sweeting, Sec., 22, Caradoc St., Pentwyn, Abersychan, nr. Pontypool.

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

- J. C. BARNES**, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.
- T. BENNETT**, 14, Cumberland Rd., Lidget Green, Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds. Long and practical experience.
- J. W. BRUCE**, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.
- W. A. COWGILL**, 115, Washington Street, Gillington Bradford. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.
- H. J. FULLJAMES**, 42, Lincoln Road, S. Norwood, London, S.E. Specialist, British and Foreign.
- REG. GARDNER**, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.
- G. HOBBS**, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate.
- J. R. HOUGHTON**, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.
- E. A. HOUSE**, Brildene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.
- J. W. METCALFE**, Yorkshire Aviarie, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate.
- W. R. MILES**, Aviarie, Chichester. Judge of all varieties Cage Birds, Norwich Plainhead Specialist.
- W. MUNDELL**, 6, Carlls Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.
- H. NORMAN**, The Elyric, Salisbury Road, Carnation, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.
- J. PATTERSON**, Chirnside, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide, practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.
- J. H. PAYNE**, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester, Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.
- C. E. SILK**, The Aviarie, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.
- JAMES STANGER**, 59, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham. A.V., Spl., Nor. and Cr.
- HENRY TAMS**, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years' Breeder and Exhibitor.
- B. TICKELL**, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties; specialist Norwich, Cinn. and Liz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.
- J. TAYLOR**, 36, Aireville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford. Judge of Canaries. Specialist Yorkshires and Norwich. Terms on application.
- W. VARDY**, The Aviarie, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.
- J. WALSH**, Pheasant Aviarie, Blackburn. Judge Cage Birds, all varieties; specialist British, Foreign, Mules, and Hybrids.
- J. WILCOCK**, The Fountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford, Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties.
- C. WILSON**, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.
- W. YOUNG**, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

EDINBURGH OPEN

The Scotch Fancy and Belgian Show on Saturday, November 21st in Buccleuch Halls, Edinburgh. Schedules from.—R. Lile, 15, Argyll Terrace, Edinburgh.

I have changed my address, writes Mr. Geo. W. F. Lythgoe, to 27, Cromwell Rd., Stretford, Manchester.

Stocksbridge C.B.S. open show for 1914 has been abandoned, and the date of Pontypridd show is altered to Jan. 6.

Mr. A. Wellings will judge: Nov. 14, Everton and Walton; 21, Barrow-in-Furness; 28, Bird Breeders' L.P.; Dec. 5, Garston; 12, Bootle; 26, Walton shows, we are informed.

The schedule of the Bradford National show will be advertised next week, writes Mr. S. Midgley, the Hon. Sec. I keep having enquiries for schedules, but we decided to advertise it through CAGE BIRDS, instead of sending out the same.

The Bangor C.B.S. intends to hold its annual show this year as usual, writes Mr. Sam Shannon, sec. The committee have decided to change the dates from Jan. 7 and 8, 1915, to Dec. 3 and 4, 1914. Judge, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, has kindly consented to facilitate the committee in carrying out this arrangement.

All prize-money and money for birds claimed are paid, and on behalf of the Oxford show committee I should like to thank all exhibitors who supported us. We were especially pleased to see visitors from as far away as Wolverhampton, Emsworth, Northampton, Henley-on-Thames, and many other towns, and trust other committees will be as well supported as we were.—J. A. Lees, hon. treas. Oxford C.B.S.

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Twitterings.

Mr. Geo. Fletcher, late of 92, Stafford Rd., Park, Sheffield, has removed to 18, Capel Street, Owlerton, Sheffield.

Mr. O. C. Smith, sec. Reading C.B.S., 73, Audley St., Reading, writes that entries are extended till first post Sunday, Nov. 8.

After serious consideration, writes Mr. J. Jackson, Sec., Cockermouth F.S., we have decided to hold our ninth open show on Nov. 23.

Allow me to express my thanks to Aber-tillery and Bristol Shows for their prompt payment of prize-money, writes Mr. George Thomson (Cardiff).

Maryhill and Dis. O.A. is unable to hold its annual show on Saturday, Nov. 7, owing to the Burgh Hall being required for military purposes, writes Mr. A. Jardine.

Mr. Jas. Stewart writes that the Yorkshire classes at Whitehaven Show are open to all, Mr. R. Tindale, Newcastle, will judge. The Linnet classes will be judged by Mr. J. B. Moore, Whitehaven.

I am sorry to have to advertise and part with my birds, writes Mr. M. Williams (Ashbourne), but am compelled, after my severe illness, as in all my spare time I am obliged to go out.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Robson (Carlisle).

Fanciers throughout the country will learn with regret that we have to announce the death of Mrs. Robson, of Carlisle, the mother of the widely-known judge, Mr. John Robson, and we are sure all will join us in an expression of sympathy with this popular fancier in his great affliction. Mrs. Robson passed away on Oct. 28, and was interred at Carlisle on Sunday last, Nov. 1.

All communications to the Newtongrange C.B.S. should be addressed to Mr. John Nelson, 85, Dean Park, the new hon. sec.

Mr. H. C. Clegg, hon. sec., writes that at the show of the Halifax O.S., Nov. 20-21, 12 open novice classes will be provided. Limit £5 5s.

Schedules for the show of the Glasgow C.B.A., Nov. 20, 21, have been posted to over 1,000 exhibitors. If any fancier has been overlooked, a postcard to W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital St., Glasgow, will get one.

The Members' Show of the Leith O.S., will be held Nov. 14. There are 10 classes in the Scotch Fancy section, 13 in the Norwich, 14 in Border section, and 17 in British and Mules, and the show will be well worth a visit from Leith fanciers.

Mr. A. P. Snook, Streatham, writes that the reason he is advertising his Borders and Norwich is that he has been called up to serve in France under the British Red Cross, and expects to be away for at least six months.

The City and Suburban A.C.B. again issues a fine schedule for its annual members' show on Nov. 13 and 14, there being a wonderful list of special prizes, no less than 129, which speaks well for the persuasive powers of the hon. sec., Mr. V. Wynn, in these difficult times. The quarterly balance-sheet of the society shows £22 4s. cash in hand.

We have received a postcard bearing the Treherbert postmark, and reading as follows; no name of society is given and no place of meeting:—"Will you kindly insert under Club notices that a meeting of members is called for Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 8; important business.—H. Watts, Sec., pro tem."

The recent London and P.O.S. show, at the Lambeth Baths was especially supported by specials, several of which were presented by well-known fanciers' providers. Besides 27 half-crown cash specials given by members of the society Mrs. Huggins gave a pair of silver-plated salt-cellars, Mrs. Askham a flask of Eau-de-Cologne, Mr. Parlett a silver medal, Mr. Ramsden three silver-mounted cigarette cases, Messrs. Baron one of their well-known and useful "Kosy Carriers," another of these being given anonymously, Messrs. Rudd and Co., Bishopsgate St., two specials of seeds, Messrs. Goodman and Co., six of their flip feeders, and Messrs. Hyde and Co., goods to the value of 5s.

Cages for our Hospital Scheme

Last week we explained that owing to the gratifying demand for Canaries under our scheme to supply a songster to convalescent homes and hospitals housing wounded soldiers and sailors, there was a likelihood of there being a shortage of cages to hold the birds, though promises by readers of the birds themselves were amply sufficient.

We have the pleasure this week of announcing a goodly response to our appeal for cages. We are still, however, open for more. We gladly acknowledge, too, sums of 20s., from R. W. Cooper, Esq. (all the way from Karachi, India), and 5s. from A. E. Brooks, Esq. (Cambridge) for the purpose of purchasing suitable cages. Readers who have no house-cages to spare may, of course, help in a similar way; or may send us a promise to purchase and forward a cage if called upon (i.e., if our supply should prove to run short).

Mr. E. M. Stanton, cagemaker, 33, Boothfield, Winton, Manchester, generously writes that he will supply a suitable house cage, size 18 by 17 by 10, listed at 5s., for 4s. 3d. (fully fitted) to readers desirous of presenting one or more to the war hospitals, providing the orders are sent through us. It seems an admirable offer, and no doubt will appeal to our readers.

Messrs. Capern (Ltd.), Bristol, have already promised to supply free all the necessary seeds; and Messrs. Trower and Co. (London) the bird-sand.

All promises (or enquiries) should be addressed to The Editor, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet St., London, E.C.

Prize Money Paid.

We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Any who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Wisbech, Forfar, and City of Bradford O.S.

THE HARVEST OF ENTRIES.

MORE RECORDS BROKEN.

The harvest of entries for plucky promoters of shows continues to be a record one—every show, in fact, seems to be doing better than ever it did before!

Leicester Show is being held this week-end, and just as we go to press we receive the following:

"PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT LEICESTER SHOW IS A RECORD. THE NORWICH AND BRITISH CLASSES ARE MARVELLOUS."—A. Freestone, Sec.

This is great business, and very cheering news indeed, coming, as it does, on top of the record at Manchester and the records at Forfar, and Haddington achieved last week.

Keep up the good work, fanciers.

Huddersfield's President

Answers the Call.

The members of the Huddersfield O.S. have lost for the present the services of their valued President, Mr. R. Rhodes, writes Mr. B. H. Clegg, the asst. sec. He has heard his country's call and joined the colours (R.F.A.). Mr. Rhodes' wide circle of friends in Yorkshire and throughout the Fancy will wish him good luck and a safe return to his wife and family when the war is over.

Support Old Shildon.

Exhibitors, and especially those in the Tyne-side and North Country districts, should not overlook the opportunity Old Shildon show (Nov. 13 and 14) provides them with. There is a good all-round classification, and a grand hall to hold the birds, while two good and popular judges, Messrs. J. Stanger and W. Reid, officiate. Entries close Monday, Nov. 9, to Mr. J. Ainsworth, sec., 15, Vaughan Street, Shildon, Durham; send them along, fanciers.

The Great Horticultural Hall Show.

The Open Norwich P.C. has granted its full support, we are informed; and particulars of the Crested C.C. patronage appear on page 215. Mr. R. L. Crisp has withdrawn from judging the champion Yorkshire section, and will officiate over the Novice birds, changing places with Mr. F. Easterling, who takes on the champion classes. The reason for this change is that Mr. Crisp has sold, we regret to hear, all his birds and cages, and there is a possibility that some may be exhibited by their new owner in the champion classes at this show.

CORRECTIONS IN SHOW REPORTS.

Mr. Steuart won the sp. best nov. and 4th in the Nov. Green Yorks. at Liverpool, not Stewart. The 2nd in unfig. yell. Nor. at Oxford (Mr. W. Collins) was not the Bristol winner, as stated; Oxford was its first time out. At the London and P.O.S. show, Lambeth Baths, the awards in the Yorks. clear or ticked buff class were: 1, sp., Kent; 2, Hall; 3, Fairman; vhc, Jones; hc, Salter; c, Buckingham; not as printed in our report.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

England.

- Nov. 6-7.—Leicester Hand-in-Hand.—(A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St.) J.T., H.J.C.
- Nov. 11.—Reading C.B.S.—(O. C. Smith, 73, Audley St.) J.R.
- Nov. 13-14.—Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S.—(J. Ainsworth, 15, Vaughan St., Shildon.)
- Nov. 20-21.—Halifax O.S.—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., W.V.
- Nov. 21.—Bradford Nat. C.B.S.—(S. Midgley, 10, Victoria St., Clayton, Bradford.)
- Nov. 26, 27, 28.—London C.B.A. (Jas. Bray, Jun., 67, St. Dunstan's Rd., Hammersmith.) J.R., E.J.R., A.C., R.L.C., F.E., J.R., A.S., C.P., A.J.M.
- Nov. 27-28.—Sale C.B.S.—(H. Whitney, 10, Brook St.) A.H., E.B.
- Nov. 28.—Ainwick C.B.S.—(W. A. Broadley, 12, Clayport St.)
- Dec. 2-3.—City of Birmingham C.B.S.—(J. H. Jones, 169, Church Lane, Aston.) J.R.
- Dec. 11-12.—Warrington C.B.S.—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.)
- Dec. 3.—Abersychan C.B.S.—(F. Sweeting, 22, Caradoc St., Pentwyn, Abersychan.) H.W.B.
- Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) H.W.B., J.M.
- Jan. 21-22.—Wolverhampton C.B.S.—(W. Harrison, 45, Darlington St.) J.R.

Scotland.

- Nov. 7.—Brechin C.B.S.—(J. Crabb, 120, Montrose Street.) E.B., J.H., C.S.
- Nov. 14.—Hamilton Cadzow Oak.—(W. Hamilton, 25, Orchard St.)
- Nov. 20-21.—Glasgow C.B.A.—(W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street.)
- Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
- Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
- Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

- Nov. 7.—Llandudno, Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A.—(G. E. Cragg, Rocklands, Rhos, Colwyn Bay.)
- Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser St., Maccywood, Pontypridd.)
- Jan. 12.—Llanelli C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

Ireland.

- Dec. 9-10.—Dublin S. County C.B.A.—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

It may happen that a proportion of the readers of CAGE BIRDS, scattered as they are throughout the country, are not yet aware that the London newspaper, "The Daily Telegraph," has instituted a shilling fund as a Christmas gift to the indomitable Soldier-King Albert of Belgium, for his people. This laudable effort is happily entitled "Our Debt of Honour to Brave Belgium," and we are sure that there is not a single bird-lover in our kingdom who would not be anxious to be associated with so noble an object. We therefore appeal with the utmost confidence to every one of our readers to help to swell the fund, which has already reached the magnificent total of well over a million shillings.

A shilling from a working man will express as much sympathy as a fat cheque from a richer person, and even those who cannot spare a shilling from their own pittance can gather the pence from their friends and send them along. Our Scottish readers know the application of the proverb "Mony a mickle mak' a muckle." It is in the power of the humblest to help to swell this magnificent fund until it represents indeed the Debt of Honour due by those who have mercifully been spared the actual horrors of war experienced by so many thousands of the poorest inhabitants of unhappy Belgium.

Contributions should not be sent to us, but forwarded direct to "The Editor, 'The Daily Telegraph,' Fleet Street, E.C." the envelopes being plainly endorsed "Belgian Fund." Cards for collecting will be forwarded to those willing to canvass their friends, none of whom should be able to resist the impulse to subscribe to so noble an object.

Well-known Welshman for the Front

Mr. R. E. Griffiths, the well-known Welsh fancier and judge, of Carnarvon, writes that he is now quartered at 71, Vernon Street, Northampton, serving his country with the Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Private Griffiths will be glad to make the acquaintance of any of the fanciers of Northampton (write or call) and he also asks us to convey his heartfelt greetings to old friends in Wales. He regrets being unable to exhibit now, and that he will in a week or two have to advertise his birds (including all his winners) for sale. Mr. Griffiths' many friends will join us in wishing him the best of luck.

IS THE NORWICH PLAINHEAD THE MOST POPULAR CANARY?

With Hints on its Breeding. One of the "Ten Minute Lectures" recently delivered before the City and Suburban A.C.B.

By
W. E. COBB
(Dollis Hill, N.W.)

IN listening to my remarks I will ask you to bear in mind that the bird I shall speak about is to me the best of all birds. At the same time I do not desire to deal with the subject with a biased mind, but from the point of view of a true fancier, seeing the good points in all birds, though having a predominant partiality for one in particular.

My own favourite bird is the Norwich Plainhead. I want you to picture to yourself a bold bird, of jaunty carriage, standing as if just ready to hop to another perch, with a large head, broad skull (but no browng), short thick neck, deep chest and broad back, short well-carried wings, and short neatly folded tail standing out from the body in a direct line, with no suspicion of being carried up like that of the Robin, or of drooping as though it were too heavy for the bird.

The Canary of Canaries.

If such a bird has a fine, silky quality of feather, and is a yellow with plenty of colour (showing a depth which looks almost red, proving to the experienced eye that the bird has been carefully bred for colour as well as fed for colour), then I see my favourite bird. If this bird also has nice even markings on both eyes, together with even marked wings, and with the wings particularly well carried, then it is that I see not only my favourite, but a bird that gladdens the eye and the heart of its breeder—the Canary par excellence, the very essence of all that is good in the breeder's art. It marks the pinnacle of your ambition, for this bird must have all the several attributes of the exhibition clear yellow Norwich Plainhead, and in addition these clearly defined markings. Then it is indeed my favourite bird!

There are some fanciers who claim the clear yellow to be the height of perfection; and possibly they are correct. Further, there are people who hold the same claims for the clear buff bird. Certainly the buff, if carrying a beautiful meal (or "frosting") together with a deep undercolour, is a very beautiful bird. But neither of these, in my humble opinion, can compare with the four-pointed yellow bird, though I like the others very much.

Why It Is So Popular.

Now to consider some of the reasons why the Norwich Plainhead is so popular. In the first place I think it an ideal Englishman's bird. We picture our proverbial John Bull as a hale and hearty gentleman, of portly appearance, and who seems to greet you with a "Hail fellow, well met." It is just so with this variety of Canary. He is all John Bull in figure—has a fine outstanding chest which gives him the appearance of fearing nothing. This, I think, is one of the reasons that the bird first appealed to me—its commanding appearance, if I may so put it.

Then, too, I suppose the Norwich is the most popular Canary in existence. Some of you may not agree with me in this, of course; it is a very debatable point. At all events, it is usually easy to dispose of one's surplus birds, and a bird of outstanding merit will always bring a good price if the owner is disposed to part with it.

Then I suppose there is a greater demand for Norwich songsters than for those of any other variety. The bird is a lusty singer, and makes a very admirable pet. Again, this variety is hardy and prolific, and these two points should be, and in fact are, well considered by many when commencing in the fascinating hobby of bird-keeping.

I have no doubt that some of the breeders of the Yorkshire variety will contend that their bird is the best, the most

popular, most prolific, and the hardiest; I can only say it would be hard to convince me that their contentions are correct. I have often been struck by remarks made to me about the Yorkshire Canary, of course by people knowing nothing about the show points of the bird. They have said: "How miserably thin"; "Ho looks half starved"; and so on. Mind, I don't say that I altogether agree with them. I merely point this out to show the average outsider's view.

Another point with the Yorkshire is that if the bird is a short one (and you are bound to get some short ones), then it looks puny and insignificant, and for this reason does not appeal to me.

I suppose the next in favour is the Border Fancy. I will dismiss this at once, for it is altogether too small a bird for my liking. I will remind you of the significant remark made in this room some time ago by one of our members: "It seems to me that when you have bred a house-full they are not worth a bag of seed the lot."

The other varieties of Canary are hardly to be considered from the "popular" point of view. The Crest is the rich man's bird, and in the hands of quite a few breeders,

comparatively. Lizards and Lancashires have been declining for years, and unless fresh interest is aroused in them they may die out in time. The London Fancy has practically gone; and the Belgian and Scotch Fancy Canaries are varieties which do not seem to be able to catch on sufficiently to become what might be termed popular birds. These few comparisons bring us to two, or perhaps three, varieties, as being really unpopular birds, and of these my favourite, the Norwich Plainhead, will always hold its own.

Regarding the breeding of Norwich, I suppose I follow the lines generally adopted. I pair yellow to buff or buff to yellow, unless it may be necessary to double buff for any reason. I always keep a fair sprinkling of variegated or marked birds to pair up; by so doing you are breeding colour.

What the Novice Should Do.

In pairing I consider novices should spend a great deal more time in the weighing up of the good and bad points before deciding which two birds shall be mated. I have frequently had three different cocks in a showage alongside a hen which I thought a good deal of, before being able to decide which was the best bird to pair her with.

First consider your head properties. If one bird fails in any particular point, then be sure that the partner you choose excels in the point which the other fails in. The same method should be adopted over the whole body of the bird. This brings you to a careful balancing of points. If the faults are carefully coun-

tered then an improvement must follow. When pairing, always study the parents of the birds as well.

Don't forget to use the green bird, along with the variegated or marked bird, in reason, for to pair clear birds generation after generation is absolute folly, as you must always remember that the Norwich Plainhead is a bird of colour.

Quality and Its Reward.

Then, too, you must consider quality of feather. Most people visiting my room say: "What lovely quality of feather you have got." I think without doubt that excessive use of double buffs and the absence of green or variegated yellow birds are responsible for lack of quality. What little success I have achieved I put down to careful pairing, after, of course, getting a good start from our member, Mr. Curtis, several years back. In support of this I need only remind you that my birds have never been out of the cards at a pair show, and that on two distinct occasions they have had silver medals awarded them as pairs, and that at the last pair show they gained 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in a class of twenty-six pairs.

In conclusion, I would say to all novices like myself: Give more time to pairing your birds. Don't rely on inbreeding as a rock bottom foundation. Selection is the only reasonable and sensible course; but when selecting take into consideration the pedigree of the birds you are pairing. Without doubt you will then improve your stock and probably breed a winner, which is the ambition of each one of us.

Correspondence.

Rochdale and District Affiliated Societies' Proposed Show.

SIR,—The above societies are holding a meeting on Sat., Nov. 21, 6.30 p.m., at Rochdale, when the question of holding an affiliated show will be brought forward. The idea is to get the societies together to see if we cannot get up a good show, seeing that there is none for miles around here this season. Our last one was a success, and I think we could make this one go even better. I hope that all societies affiliated will send a delegate, with their views on the question. We ought not to let these shows slide.

WM. ADAMS, Sec.

19, Bedford St., Rochdale.

Do Scottish Bird Dealers Need Waking Up?

SIR,—In Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee, and Aberdeen, there are, it is true, many birdshops, but it is amazing to find how limited are the species they stock. My business takes me to the above towns occasionally, and as I have been in search of Nightingales, Blackcaps, Pekin Nightingales, and a few other fairly common species, I visited most of the birdshops, but not one of the above mentioned could be found. The Blackcap particularly, is a bird in great demand, as all those advertised in CAGE BIRDS for the past twelve months have been picked up, before my letter reached the advertiser. One advertiser informed me that he had over 70 applications for his Blackcap when advertised in your paper, and that 26 of these came from Scotland. Yet a Scotch birdshop can't be found daring enough to stock them. Why this lack of enterprise displayed by bird sellers in all these towns of Scotland? If you permit the matter to be mentioned in CAGE BIRDS it will, no doubt, have the effect of rousing our bird-dealers to the necessity of meeting public wants.

UP-TO-DATE.

The Bib of the Exhibition Siskin.

SIR,—At the recent show of the Manchester and N.C.O.S., Mr. Houlton, when he had finished judging the Siskin Redpoll, and Twite class, addressed a few remarks to his stewards re the four leading birds, which were as follows:—Twite 1st, Mealy Redpoll 2nd, Siskin 3rd, Twite 4. I did not hear all the remarks, but was in time to hear the following. Said Mr. Houlton, pointing to the Siskin: "A good Siskin, a grand bird; would have topped the class, but has no bib." I then said to Mr. Houlton: "The Siskin is mine, and that is the penalty I pay for showing my bird honestly." Mr. Houlton, in reply to me said: "Oh, you can moult a Siskin with a bib." As it was not the time for a discussion, I walked away and did not again have an opportunity of speaking to Mr. Houlton, as I had to leave the showroom to attend to my business.

The week previous to Manchester Show I exhibited this same Siskin under the same judge at Liverpool show, and Mr. Houlton placed it 2nd in a class of 36. It seems to me, from Mr. Houlton's remark, that I have lost both at Liverpool and Manchester because my Siskin has no bib. Well might the gods weep! I do not crave the indulgence of your columns, Sir, to vent a personal grievance alone, but to protest against Mr. Houlton's action on principle—a principle that affects all that tends to influence for good the British bird fancy. I consider Mr. Houlton has done my bird an injustice. If he was good enough to win, if he had a bib, he is good enough to win in October without a bib, and I will prove why. Yellow Siskins (mark, I write yellow) moulting at the right season do not show a well defined bib in October. If it is necessary, in order to win, to point, or trim a bib on my Siskin, then good-bye to the Fancy. I will have none of it. I will pass out, as many men have done, disgusted at the success of the fakers season after season, and the inability of our judges to trap them. If I leave the Fancy the usual taunt "disappointed exhibitor" cannot be thrown at me.

Mr. Houlton is a great authority, and a great judge. I have every respect for him, as the members of the Manchester and N.C.O.S. know. I am sorry, genuinely sorry, to have to write this, but I am out for a principle and where principle is concerned men do not matter much.

WILLIAM FAIRBURST.

The Bright Future of Our Hobby.

SIR,—I was pleased to see a letter under the above heading from our friend and well-tried show manager, Mr. Ramsden. I hope societies, where possible, will adopt the idea he brings forward in his letter, re societies holding shows not only for their members but for any fanciers living in the district, or for a certain radius. It will help keep the Fancy together, and encourage fanciers during these hard times. One difficulty, by what I can glean, in the holding of shows, seems to be in getting the railway companies to undertake to deliver the birds; that, of course, means fanciers must take and fetch their birds from the shows. I see the J. and P.O.S. decided, and wisely so, not to offer their cups this year, as some members lived so far from the show and could not bring their birds. I hope all other societies who have members living a good distance away will either do the same, or arrange to collect and send off by train any birds whose owners are unable to bring their birds to the show, so as to give all members a run for their money, and an equal chance in competing for cups, etc. I am pleased to see a good many societies are holding their shows as usual. I trust all who can will give them a good entry. I am pleased to see such good entries at some of the shows which have been held.

S. W.

Southern Fanciers and the Bradford National Show.

SIR,—I beg to draw the attention of fanciers of the South to the Bradford National Show, Nov. 21, and ask them all to try and enter a bird or two, especially in the Yorkshire section, and try and beat the Yorkshireman. Show a true friendly spirit in return for the way they send in numbers to our Palace Show each year. The birds will have every attention, for they are true fanciers. I can vouch for that, as I visited this grand show last year. I have been looking forward to going again this year, but shall be unable to do so. But if there were enough fanciers willing to go for the day trip, then probably we could get cheap tickets at 11 or 12 shillings return. I shall be pleased to write the Midland Railway and try. I shall be glad to have the views of fanciers. I hope all being well to send two or three entries to try my luck. I know that the profits of the show go to a good cause. The day at Bradford would be well spent, visiting the show and some of the fanciers' rooms; you get a real hearty Yorkshire reception.

C. R. BULLEN.

A Lark Food that Will Keep.

With Some Useful "Tips" on Feeding.

SIR,—In reply to W. Freeman in your issue of Oct. 3, re staple food for Skylarks, I feel sure if he sent to Messrs. W. A. Rudd for their Skylark food he would not try mixing his own. It is some years now since I tried mixing my own, and what a failure it was! I have one old Lark caged about six years, and for the past five years, or about that time, he has had nothing but the above Lark food as a staple. I mix it with hot water, but if I notice my Larks getting "slack," then I mix it with hot tea, which I find always puts them right. I also mix in chopped lettuce, or cabbages, or potatoes; and here I think a little explanation is required. I mix the food to what one may term a dry moisture with hot water, then take a good piece of floury potato and mix in with a fork. Then there is no trouble to get the birds to eat it. But if the food and potato be crushed up together, the result is a sticky mess, and the birds do not eat it unless driven to it by starvation. Clean water and a turf every day, or the turf on every second day, a few mealworms every day, any flies or smooth caterpillars one can get, and there is not the slightest trouble in keeping Larks in full song. Last year was the only year my old boy did not sing right through the moult. He has not stopped this year and he is clean through now and singing at "top notch." Keep the food in a tin in any dry place (I keep mine in the kitchen cupboard) and it will never turn sour.

E. J. SOUTHWOOD.

(Correspondence continued overleaf.)

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A Successful Breeder of Canary-Bullfinch Hybrids.

Sir,—When at Forfar show I called to see Mr. James Mather, the well-known Hybrid breeder. It was Mr. Mather who bred the first Canary Bullfinch in Scotland. I might say that he has another record this year, having bred two of the same class out of one nest, and getting them reared by their own parents. They have not yet been on the show bench, but I believe they will make a name for themselves when they appear. G. MARLIN.

Warrington C.B.S. Seizes Its Opportunity.

Sir,—Would you kindly state in your valuable paper that, the military authorities having vacated our showroom, we have to-night unanimously decided to "keep the flag flying" and hold our open show on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11 and 12, a month later than originally arranged. We are making an attractive schedule, enlarging the classification and offering plenty of specials, so we trust fanciers will rally round us and give us their heartiest support. We trust to see our show in the dates fixed column. G. M. NELSON.

The Hugh Moreland Testimonial Fund.

Sir,—Would those secretaries and others who succeeded in raising money for the above fund by the aid of subscription sheets which I sent them some time ago, kindly forward it on to me as soon as possible, as I would like to have this fund closed. I had intended waiting until the show season was well past, but owing to the war and so many shows being abandoned, I think it will be impossible to do anything farther in the matter now. Later on, Mr. Editor, I will send a list of names of all those who have been good enough to give Mr. Moreland birds or cages, or who have subscribed to the above fund. R. RENNIE, Sec.

Accrington Will Hold a One-Day Fixture.

Sir,—I am pleased to say the Accrington and Dis. C.B.S. has carefully considered the matter concerning open shows and the war crisis, and for the benefit of the Fancy we have decided to have a small open show on Nov. 14 (see advertisement) a one-day show, which will comprise 9 classes for Norwich (6 for champions and 3 for novices). We hope fanciers will rally round and give us a bumping entry, as we shall give liberal prize-money—10s., 6s., 4s., 2s., for a 1s. 6d. entry fee, and have a popular judge in Mr. E. Godley, of Rishton. Prize-money is guaranteed, and full prize-money over 9 entries. Fanciers can safely send their birds, as our society is composed of practical fanciers, such as Mr. A. Hirst, Mr. W. Crawshaw, Mr. W. Dormer, and many others well known in the Fancy. Birds will be dispatched to arrive home Saturday night. Accrington is very central (on all main lines). I hope for a bumping entry. We have received the patronage of the O.N.P.C. HERBERT WALSH.

The Cancelling of Wimbledon Show.

Sir,—Re the cancelling of the Wimbledon open show, I asked the secretary if he would be kind enough to let all members know (who are not in the know)—the reason the committee came to such a decision. I thought surely the secretary would be only too pleased to explain the difficulty. If he has not the time, or does not feel inclined to satisfy other members and myself, perhaps one of the committee who was at the meeting when the show was reluctantly cancelled could reply for him? Every member has a right to know why the committee came to such a drastic decision, and if the reason is simply explained (no doubt the committee think they had a good reason) members will no doubt be satisfied. But why keep things so dark? Have the committee exceeded their powers? I think they have. Other societies have cancelled their shows (which we all feel sorry about) but the members have been confided in. Why don't the Wimbledon committee do the same towards their fellow-members? A MEMBER.

Sir,—On Oct. 5 last I wrote to the Wimbledon C.B.S. resigning membership because they had abandoned their open show. This letter was said to be an "ill-mannered" one; but as regards that perhaps the sec. will—if he dare—send it to you and leave your readers to judge. At any rate after despatching that letter I naturally regarded my connection with the society to have ended, until I received on 9th ulto. a letter from its secretary, Mr. Griffiths, in which he informed me that the question of abandoning or not the open show was not finally settled, but was to be re-discussed at the next meeting at which

he "would be pleased to see me," and that he would "hold my resignation up" till then. I duly presented myself at the meeting place yesterday (Nov. 2) in order—at the sec.'s invitation—to give my reasons why I considered it prudent, and even imperative, to hold an open show. But as I rose to do so, the chairman, Mr. Stoakley, after a few desultory remarks, read my letter and moved that my resignation be accepted. I do not for a moment doubt Mr. Griffiths' sincerity in inviting me to the meeting. But it seems certain that the chairman could not resist the pleasure—he confessed it was a pleasure—of subjecting me deliberately to the humiliation of a public expulsion because I had dared to give expression to the disgust which every decent fancier must feel at a society which is hoarding money to the tune of some £25, which should at this juncture be used in the interests of the Fancy. I, of course, sever my connection with the society with pleasure, for not only did the man who proposed an open show fail to even get a seconder, but even an offer to guarantee three hybrid classes was flung contemptuously aside without even a comment. Mr. Stoakley knew about the letter the secretary had written me, and I had a perfect right to expect him to receive me in the spirit conveyed by that letter. I certainly should not have attended the meeting if I had known it was only to be insulted by being publicly pilloried, and as my protest at the meeting was met by a threat to forcibly eject me from the room, I am compelled to adopt this, the only means which remains to me, to present my case to the members. A. R. COE.

The Shows.

EDINBURGH WESTERN.

Show, Artillery Hall, Grindlay Street, Oct. 31. Entries were in excess of last, despite the state of the country, and quality was of a high standard, especially in Norwich and Borders. Scotch Fancies were of average merit, and some very nice birds were shown. The winning yellow green cock belonging to Mr. P. McNiven was an outstanding specimen of the Bird of Circle, and was much admired. The winning Border yellow cock, Andrews, was a little gem all over. Norwich contained some real good stuff, and the society's sec. carried off premier honours with a buff varieg. cock which for type and quality it would be hard to beat. Judges were:—Scotch Fancy, Messrs. A. Paterson and R. Menzies (Edinburgh); Bord., J. Hamilton (Eskbank); Nor., J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh), in place of Mr. J. Holmes, who, we regret to hear, was laid aside with illness. The show was well patronised.

SCOTCH FANCY YELL. OK. (2): 1, Cockburn, on the small and slim side; 2, Bowman, similar. YELL. PIED: 1, 2, Spittal, capital pair, leader excels drive and top end, nice style; 2nd good style and action, very nervy; 3, sp, McNiven, extra good top end, neat drive, gets hard up; 4, Cockburn; 5, Campbell. YELL. FOUL OR GR. (3): 1, three sps, cup for best Scotch Fancy, McNiven, charming, one of the best seen for a long time, massive top end and drive, sweet exhibit; 2, Rodger, real good model, fine style and position; 3, Muir, fails size to leaders. BUFF (5): 1, 2, sp, J. Rogers, fine head, neck and shoulders, well up in size; 2nd nicely packed between shoulders, good reach and action; 3, 4, Bowman, not a big one, but all there for style and action. BUFF PIED (6): 1, McNiven, excellent size and subs., fine thickness through heart; 2, 5, Rodger, not the reach of winner, fine square shoulders, capital length of side; 3, Rodgers, neat and stylish; 4, Brydon. BUFF FOUL OR GR. (4): 1, Proudfoot, neck foul, fine snaky head and neck, capital pose; 2, McNiven, beautiful reach and top end, fine sweep of tail; 3, Campbell, nice style and action. HENS YELL. (7): 1, Tait, stylish, rare top end and reach; 2, McNiven, nice size for a hen, capital style and pose; 3, Russell, good circle, nice filled shoulders; 4, Spittal. YELL. PIED (7): 1, no name, grand size and subs., free action and style; 2, Spittal, on the small side, capital drive and action; 3, 4, McNiven, nice looking, still in the moult; 5, Russell; 6, Cockburn. FOUL YELL. OR GR. (2): 1, Campbell, heavy in the moult, nice free style and action; 2, Rodger, good size and subs., nice reach and top end. BUFF (14): 1, 3, McNiven, leader rare top end and drive, capital subs.; 3rd good qual. and style; 2, sp, Russell, good reach and drive, fine length of side; 4, McNiven; 5, 8, Bowman. BUFF PIED (6): 1, two sps, runner-up for cup, not large, but a gem for style and action, grand drive; 2, McNiven, bigger than winner, but loses in top end and reach; 3, sp, 5, Rodger, stylish, very nervy; 4, John Rodger. FOUL BUFF OR GR. (4): 1, Bowman, foul on neck, good size and subs., capital pose; 2, Rodger, wing foul, nice drive and top end, free action; 3, Campbell, shade small, fine snaky head and neck; 4, Spittal. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (28): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Andrews, sweet head and front, lovely wing and tail carr.; 2, sp, 3, 6, Rodger, 2nd falls only in head to leader, fine size and weight, well braced wings, 3rd nice qual. and cond.; 4, Windrum; 5, J. Aitchison; 7, Andrews; 8, W. Aitchison. VAR. YELL. (10): 1, Rodger, mkd. eyes, wings and vent, neat and typical, grand col.; 2, W. Aitchison, eye and wing mkd., shade pale in col., looks like a hen, finely shaped body; 3, 5, Michie, good head and neck, neat wings; 4, Muir; 6, Cockburn. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (26): 1, 4, 6, Michie, leader teeming with qual., grand wings and tail, just a wee shade short in neck; 2, Andrews, sweet one, neatly rounded head and neck, finely balanced wings; 3, Rodger, well filled back, nice qual. feather, well placed; 5, Napier; 7, Aitchison; 8, Spittal. VAR. BUFF (13): 1, Napier, mkd. left eye and wings, finely rounded front and head, neat wings; 2, Rodger, wing mkd., nice tops and style, rich qual. and cond.; 3, Spittal, mkd. head, eyes and wing, well braced wings, capital type; 4, Cockburn; 5, Spittal; 6, Brown; 7, Reid; 8, Aitchison. HENS CL. OR TKD. YELL. (26): 1, J. Aitchison, neat head and neck, just a bit inclined to frill in front; 2, Napier, neat and typical, well filled back, nice col.; 3, Andrews, well laid on wings, fine pipe tail,

ALFRETON.

First Open Show, Oct. 31. The large clubroom at the Red Lion Hotel, in which the birds were staged is an ideal place for a show, and we were very pleased to see entries so good; the committee hope in future to have a still better show. A few catalogues would make it easier for the reporter and more interesting to visitors. Norwich were a splendid collection, and many good birds on view. Yorks. also were a grand lot. British and Foreign were a little disappointing, also Crests. Mr. A. Beardall is a most capable secretary and had things carried out in A1 style; he was well backed up by a hard working committee. Mr. A. Wilson judged, and gave general satisfaction.

NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Vardy, cl., good shape, nice col., beautiful feather and bloom; 2, Smedley, nice col., bit loose in feather at sides, capital head, neck and qual.; 3, Sheppard, nice shape and col., splendid head and neck, good wings and tail, rare body, fit; vhc, Admitt; he, Butler and Barlow. BUFF (6): 1, Sheppard, grand cl., rare shape, good head, well filled in neck, grand col., qual., and feather; 2, Vardy, good cl., looking down a bit, nice head, capital whigs and tail, splendid body and shape; 3, Smedley, bit patchy in col., lovely shape, nice head, good neck and wings; vhc, Dean; he, Peddler; c, Beardall. TKD. YELL. (6): 1, Sheppard, neck mkd., grand shape and col., neat head, nice body and shape, very fit; 2, Dean, head tkd., lovely col., good wings and tail, shade rough in feather; 3, Smith, wing tkd., lovely col. and shape, well carried wings and tail, rather hard luck; vhc, Vardy; he, Harrison; w.c., Ransford. BUFF (6): 1, Hawkeley, head, neck, and wing mkd., nice col., good shape, capital size, neat head, lovely qual. of feather; 2, Admitt, wing mkd., nice col. and shape, lovely head, well filled in neck, grand qual.; 3, Sheppard, wing tkd., lovely col. and qual, nice head, good wings and tail; vhc, Vardy; he, Butler and Barlow; w.c., Greaves. GREEN, ETC. (6): 1, Broomshaw, heavy varieg. yell., good shape, nice col., lovely qual., well filled up heads, grand feather; 2, Greaves, varieg. buff, pale col., nice body and shape, good head, rare feather and cond.; 3, Peddar, head and wing mkd. yell., grand col. and qual., neat broad head, nice bloom; vhc, Butler and Barlow; he, Vardy; c, Sheppard. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Vardy, neck mkd., grand col., best of shape, good head and body, well carried wings and tail, lovely bloom; 2, Sheppard, head and wing mkd., nice col. and shape, hardly so large, very fit; 3, Admitt, face mkd., nice body, good head, very fit; vhc, Hawkeley; he, Smith; c, Wood. BUFF (7): 1, Wood, cl., nicely frosted, good quality, neatly carried wings and tail, well over perch, rare cond.; 2, Vardy, grizzle wing, nice shape, good size, broad head, very close up, splendid bloom; 3, Sheppard, cl., nice col. and shape, looking a bit down; vhc, Smith; he, Burshaw; c, Sheppard. NAT. COL. (2): 1, Vardy, cl. yell., very big head, nice feather and qual., splendid wings and tail, rare cond.; 2, Dean, buff, very nice qual., good col. and shape, splendid feather, and smaller. SELL. 15s. (5): 1, Smedley; 2, Admitt; 3, Vardy; vhc, Beardall; he, Wood. 10s. (5): 1, Smedley; 2, Vardy; 3, Admitt; vhc, Holmes; he, Dean. UNFLIG. YELL. (3): 1, Vardy, lovely cl., splendid shape and subs., nice qual., rare head, in beautiful cond.; 2, Sheppard, varieg., nice col., shape, and size, hardly such qual. as leader; 3, Wood, cl., nice col. and shape, well shown. BUFF (7): 1, Sheppard, lovely, cl., beautiful col. and qual., grand shape, splendid size, good head, rare feather and cond.; 2, Smedley, cl., grand col. and shape, nice size, grand head and neck, rare body, good wings and tail, lovely feather; 3, he, Vardy, head and tail mkd., grand col. and shape, very fit, nice make, good body; vhc, Smith; c,

Admitt. UNFLIG. HEN (12): 1, 2, Vardy, head mkd. yell., grand col. and shape, rare type, nice body, rare feather and cond.; 2nd, varieg. buff, big, good shaped body, nice head and neck, splendid col. and qual., lovely feather; 3, Holmes, cl. buff, neat head, nice col. and shape, neat wings and tail, splendid qual., very fit; vhc, Sheppard; he, Smedley; c, Butler and Barlow, very good class. PAIRS (6): 1, Vardy, grand pair, cock very hot col., hen nice shape, good body; 2, Smedley, good shape, shade rough in feather, nice col.; 3, Holmes, nice col., varieg. cock, buff hen, good shape; vhc, Sheppard; he, Admitt. YORKS. YELL. (5): 1, vhc, Lanckham, cl., grand col., nice shape and pos., good head, lovely cond.; 2, Vardy, cl., rare shape and size, splendid col. and qual., very slim, nice body, tip-top form; 3, Beardall, nice shape, rare feather and qual., very fit; he, Wardle. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Beardall, clears, slim and upstanding, rare bodies, capital legs, good qual., very little between them; 3, Green, good cl., beautiful feather and qual., well filled in neck, nicely carried wings and tail, fit; vhc, Vardy; he, Turner. GREEN, ETC. (3): 1, Beardall, nice col. and shape, grand pos., lovely feather; 2, Elkins, gr., grand col. and body, good length and pos., neat head; 3, Wardle, varieg., very fine feather. BUFF (2): 1, Beardall, varieg., nice length, good style and pos.; 2, Parkin, varieg., nice shape, rare feather, good body. HEN, YELL. (2): 1, 2, Lanckham, both well staged, rare cond. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Lanckham, cl., very slim, good shape, nice head and neck, grand pos. and col., splendid legs, very fit; 2, nice col. and shape, neat head, good body and qual.; 3, Beardall, nice feather and cond., good shape, bit heavy, good feather; vhc, Vardy; he, Parkin; c, Turner. NON-FEDS (3): 1, Wardle, cl. buff, grand col., nice wings and tail; 2, 3, Selley, cl. buff and head mkd., good bodies and shape, nice col. and cond. A.O.V. (3): 1, Lanckham, eye and wing mkd. yell., splendidly mkd., nice feather and bloom; 2, 3, Beardall, cinn., in rare order, slim and upstanding, good feather. PAIRS (2): 1, 2, Beardall, splendid cond., well matched. SELL. 10s. (2): 1, Beardall; 2, Lanckham. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, Parkin, cl., nice col., grand head, capital legs, neat head, splendid qual., feather and bloom; 2, 3, Lanckham, nice clears, capital col., splendid head, good neck; 3, grand pos. and shape, lovely col. and cond.; vhc, Green; he, Elkins; c, Wardle. BUFF (7): 1, Vardy, cl., lovely col. and qual., grand head and neck; splendid wings; 2, 3, Lanckham, cl., tip-top shape and size, capital length, nice head and neck, splendid pos.; 3rd, cl., grand qual. and feather, nice shape and col., lovely feather and pos.; vhc, Wardle; he, Green; c, Beardall. HEN (7): 1, Parker, head tkd. buff, slim and upstanding, rare type and body, grand col. and shape; 2, he, Lanckham, cl. yell., we liked, rare feather, grand col. and shape; 3, Beardall, cl., nice shape and col., good body, rare cond.; vhc, Elkins. HARDBILL (9): 1, Leadbeater, Goldf., lovely square cut blaze, nice moons and buttons, perfect feather, very steady; 2, 3, he, Admitt, Greenf. and Bramble, in wonderful condition, very close up; vhc, Herrott. SOFTBILL (4): 1, 2, 3, Admitt, Redstart, Blackcap, and Wag-tail, all in tip-top condition. MULES (4): 1, Admitt, splendid size, shape, and col., good feather and bloom; 2, Leadbeater, nice shape, good feather; 3, Stone; vhc, Herrott. MEMBERS' YELL. NOR. (6): 1, 3, Holland; 2, Cockaye; vhc, Seager; he, Newton. BUFF (5): 1, vhc, Holland; 2, Spears; 3, Holt. HEN (6): 1, Holland; 2, Spencer; 3, he, Holt; vhc, Weston. PAIRS (3): 1, 2, Holland; 3, Weston. UNFLIG. (6): 1, vhc, Holland; 2, Holt; 3, Spencer; he, Cockaye; c, Holt. YORKS. PAIRS (4): 1, Webster; 2, Abbot; 3, Henshaw; vhc, Holt. UNFLIG. (6): 1, he, Sawyer; 2, 3, Andrews; vhc, Webster.

C.B. (4): 1, sp, 2, Proudfoot, nicely lashed, plenty of body feather; 2nd bit weak in head, good body subs. MULE (2): 1, 2, Campbell, Twite Mules, fair size and col. BRIT. (7): 1, sp, 2, Lile, leading with a nice Lesser 'Pol, fine col. and markings, nice bib; 2nd good coloured Greenf., fine flights; 3, Muir, buff Greenf., shade dark in back; 4, Thain; 5, Clark; 6, Grant.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

Successful Show, Oct. 28, People's Palace, Deptford. Entries were slightly in advance of last year, and the exhibits generally were a wonderful improvement on previous efforts. This was particularly noticeable in Norwich and Yorks., both of which contained some excellent examples. Borders were exceptionally strong, and showed a high degree of merit all through; sp. for best bird in show going to Mr. Preece's charming buff hen, a real good one; spl. for second was won by Mr. A. J. Clark with a grand yell Yorks., and other special winners were Messrs. Burton Bros., Fuller, Joplin, Gunnell, Gardner, etc. There was a particularly fine class of Cinnamon and Green Borders, also some excellent Brit., in this section Mr. Preece's Bullie hen, put down in A1 condition, secured the honours for best Brit. The Show was ably managed by Mr. G. Burton, assisted by the Chairman, Mr. H. C. Humphries, and a good committee. We are glad to report that the society is going as strongly as ever. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. 1, 2, 3, Laccobee. BUFF: 1, Burton Bros.; 2, Hall; 3, Gunnell; vhc, he, c, Laccobee. HEN: 1, sp, Gunnell; 2, he, c, Laccobee; 3, Burton Bros. UNFLIG.: 1, he, Burton Bros.; 2, Hall; 3, Laccobee; vhc, Gunnell. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, he, Fuller; 3, c, Gardner; vhc, Mrs. Martin. BUFF: 1, 2, Fuller; 3, vhc, Gardner; he, Martin; c, Adams. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Fuller; vhc, he, Gardner. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Gardner; he, Salmoff; c, Fuller. A.O.V.: 1, Gardner; 2, 8, vhc, Fuller; he, c, Whiting. YORKS. CK.: 1, 3, Clarke; 2, Fairman. HEN: 1, Fairman; 2, Clarke. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, he, Clarke; vhc, Fairman. NOV. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Fuller; vhc, Carter; he, Cooper; c, Adams. HEN: 1, 2, Fuller. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, 2, vhc, Fuller; 3, he, c, Cooper. HEN: 1, vhc, Carter; 2, 3, Cooper; he, c, Fuller. BORD. CK.: 1, 2, vhc, he, Burton Bros.; 3, Rev. Soames. HEN: 1, 2, 3, he, Burton Bros.; vhc, Soames. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, he, Burton Bros.; vhc, Soames. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Burton; vhc, Rev. Soames. NOV. YELL. CK.: 1, c, Williams; 2, Culham; 3, Joplin; vhc, Martin; he, Preece; c, Williams. BUFF: 1, Martin; 2, Kay; 3, Joplin; vhc, c, Preece; he, Ford. HEN: 1, sp, 2, Preece; 3, Martin; vhc, c, Kay; he, Humphries. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Kay; 2, 3, Joplin; vhc, he, Culham; c, Martin. BUFF: 1, Joplin; 2, Humphries; 3, Kay; vhc, Williams; he, Preece; c, Culham. GR., ETC.: 1, Burton; 2, Kay; 3, Preece; vhc, Rev. Soames; he, c, Joplin. UNFLIG.: 1, Joplin; 2, 3, Burton Bros.; vhc, Martin; he, c, Kay. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 3, Ford; 3, Adams; vhc, Burton. HYB.: 1, Gunnell; 2, Gardner. BRIT.: Lumette; 1, Salmon; 2, Williams; 3, Preece. GOLDF.: 1, Joplin. GREENF.: 1, Rev. Soames; 2, Bartholomew; 3, Culham. A.O.V.: 1, Gunnell; 2, Rev. Soames. HEN: 1, Preece. FOR. GOLDF.: 1, Preece. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Mrs. Martin.

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nice type, paler in col., bit too lively; 4, c. Lawson, eyes, wing and neck mkd., rare col., beauty for type, trille slimmer in build; he, Mattinson. HEN UNFLIG. (35) A wonderful class, every bird a good one; 1, Cook, var. buff, tremendous size, rare deep body and wide back, magnificent head and jaw, nealed all over, no mistake over this one, stands alone even in such a class of good ones; 2, Lawson, eyes, neck and wings marked, lovely col. and feather, very neat head, tail short as a Robin's; 3, Turner, mkd. yell., lovely type and feather, larger than 2nd, and not quite the finish; extra 3, Heap, cl. buff, very typical, qual. all there, beaten in head only; 4, Mattinson, beautiful cl., short body, nice tail, and silky feather, very sweet; vhc, Beswick; he, Fowler; c, Fields. AMAT. YELL. (23): 1, Stephenson, mkd. rump, big enough, wide head and body, grand col., rare bird for stock; 2, Brown, eyes and back marked, lovely col. and feather, deep body, nice head and neck; 3, Davies, rrrr head and col., grand qual., beaten in neck; 4, Wharton, build, neck and wings mkd., nice col., slimmer in build; vhc, Hall; he, Spencer; c, W. Spencer. BUFF (31): 1, Marsland, mkd. eyes and neck, beauty, col. and qual. all that could be desired, short, thick body, deep chest, could win anywhere; 2, Dell, beautiful wide head, slimmer in body perhaps, rare col., mkd. head; 3, Curphey, cl., big bird, rare head and neck, wide shoulders, beaten cond. only; 4, Davies, mkd. eyes and wings, nice head and neck, rare col. and qual., plenty big enough, beaten thighs; extra 4, Cook and Son, cl., nice col. and cond., trifle longer; vhc, Brown; he, Green; c, Smalley; a very hot class. UNFLIG. YELL. (21): 1, 2, Rev. Gaul, head and wings marked, nice head and neck, col. A1, 2nd cl., nice col. and qual., beaten head; 3, Underwood, cl. again, rare col. and feather, very neat head; 4, Bennett, var., head and neck very good, nice stylish bird, trille longer in body; vhc, Catlow; he, Metcalfe; c, Rev. Wragg. BUFF (38): 1, Chilton, beauty for type and qual., neat head, eyes and wings mkd., heads a strong class; 2, Buxton, big bird, rare feather, shines like silk, nice head and neck, clear; 3, Hartup, neck mkd., qual. and col. all that could be desired, bit wild; extra 3, Mitchell, good in head and thick neck, lovely qual. of feather; 4, Watson, very taking exhibit, typical; vhc, Rev. Gaul; he, Wolsenroft; c, Spencer. HEN YELL. (21): 1, he, Potts, cl., very sweet type, deep chest, lovely qual. head and neck, shows age; 2, Cundiff, cl., smaller, but rare shape, well swiped tail, penny in face; 3, Barratt, var., neat in head and qual., not the same body; 4, Hartup, mkd. head, back and tail, rare body, head and neck, nice col.; vhc, Chilton; c, Bowden. BUFF (26): 1, Fildes, very heavy mkd., rare thick body, deep chest, nice head; 2, Steel, very neat cl., feather and type extra, not quite the size; 3, Buxton, feather and col. A1, wee bit pinched in head; 4, Spencer, heavy mkd., lovely head, neck and feather, good size; vhc, Wardle; he, Gough and Louch; c, Mitchell.

NOR. CINN. YELL. (6): 1, Mrs. Tweddle, rare size and col., very large head and thick-set body; 2, 3, 4, Dormer, all excellent, benched in Mr. Dormer's best form; vhc, he, Bentley. BUFF (6): 1, Mrs. Tweddle, rare Nor. properties, good head and neck, lovely cinn. col., clean underneath; 2, Bentley, good head and neck, trifle longer in body, bit fat; 3, he, Proctor, not quite the cinn. col., good head and neck, nice Nor. qual.; 4, vhc, Dormer, good col. and size, bit pinched in head. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 2, 3, Dormer, grand team, 1st nice col. and type, good shoulders, bit lively, 2nd grand buff, rare head, neck and body, beaten wings, 3rd buff, not quite so big, rare head; 4, c. Smalley, yell., beauty for col. and markings, nice qual.; vhc, Hartup; he, Barnes. HEN (10): 1, Proctor, nice yell., lovely Nor. properties, good head, neck and deep chest; 2, he, Dormer, rare sized buff, head, shape and qual. A1; 3, c. Mrs. Tweddle, yell., typical, rare qual., beaten wings; 4, Hartup, smaller buff, not so thick through. NOR. GREENS YELL. (8): 1, Handley, rare Nor. type, good green col., head and neck; 2, Walker, close up, Norwich properties, excellent, good 2nd; 3, Lawson, deep chested and deep coloured, rare head and neck; 4, Thorpe, nice expression, deep body and col.; vhc, Thornton; he, G. Johnson; c, Woods. BUFF (13): 1, McAndrew, foul tail, beautiful body and type, rare wide head and prominent cheeks, no Crested properties; 2, Barker, self, bigger in body, good head and neck, trifle longer in barrel; 3, Handley, foul, short and thick, rare head and neck; 4, Wallbrook, rather light in col.; vhc, Ball; he, Lawson; c, Walker. YELL. HEN (10): 1, he, Walker, lovely Nor. type, not too big, bit light in col., but wins; 2, vhc, Thornton, tkd. throat and tail, nice qual. and col.; 3, Johnson, one light feather in tail, nice type, clean underneath; 4, c. Handley, foul wings, tail and throat, bigger, good head and neck, wide chest. BUFF (11): 1, Jenkins, self, good col., nice markings, neat type; 2, Ball, foul tail and thigh, lovely qual. and col., beaten size only; 3, Thornton, good col., neat head, self col., trifle slimmer in build; 4, c. Handley, foul tail, grand type and qual. of feather, beaten size; he, Jenkins; c, Raynes.

Mr. Houlton's Classes. Selling classes were well up to the average, and winners had to be well worth their money to get in. Hybrids were numerous and very interesting, and birds of the highest merit were the order of the day. Several notable cracks held the leading positions. Brit. were represented by a fine entry of high-class birds, and condition played a great part in the winning selections. The foreign birds were grouped into one class, and made a very fine display. Mr. Houlton judged Selling, Hybrids, British and Foreign birds. SELL. 30s. (10): 1, Guy; 2, Mattinson; 3, Jones; 4, Thorpe; vhc, McTurk; he, Millward; c, Bailey. 20s. (24): 1, Johnson; 2, Guy; 3, Bulmer; 4, Fitton; vhc, Wallshaw; vhc, Higham; he, Clegg, Gough and Louch; c, Jackson. 12s. 6d. (22): 1, Fields; 2, Jones; 3, Clegg; 4, Bennet; vhc, Curphey, Bentley; he, Spiby, Cook and Son; c, Spencer. VARIEG. CAN. HYB.: 1, Hart, lightly varieg. Greenf. Can., in splendid cond., a gem; 2, Dixon, grandly mkd. yell. Goldf. Can., also in grand plumage; 3, Giles, varieg. Goldf. Can., in fine feather; 4, Firth, ditto, but not quite so high form of variegation; vhc, Bough. DARK CAN. YELL. (13): 1, 3, Wilson, Can. Bullf. and Goldf. Can., both in grand order, well known; 2, Booth and Hampson, lovely conditioned Greenf. Can., fine size, shape, and col.; 4, he, c. Oldham, very fine Siskin-Can. leading, all in good cond.; vhc, Dixon, very good Linnet-Can. BUFF (7): 1, Hayter, immense Can. Bullf., splendid cond.; 2, Morgan, very large, bouncing Greenf. Can., rare shape, feather and finish; 3, Oldham, rare size Siskin-Can. shape, qual., and cond., good; vhc, Johnson, nice Can. Bullf.; he, c. Oldham. A.O. HYB. (14): Very good and interesting collection: 1, vhc, he, Oldham, splendid hoom and raro conditioned Goldf. Bullf., tight Linnet-Bullf., and neat compact Redpoll-Greenf., all lovely cond.; 2, c. Walsli, well-known Redpoll-Bullf. and a good Greenf. Bullf., former only gives way to winner to-day on tightness and glossy cond.; 3, Wilson, stately Chaff. Greenf., fine bold bird, rood cond.;

4, Booth and Hampson, well conditioned, good shaped Bramble-Chaff. GOLDF. (14): 1, Rothwell, wins on fine cond., grand all-round Finch; 2, Abbott, rich tan, nice blaze, good moons and bars, and fine cond.; 3, he, Fairhurst, well up in most points, and little behind others; 4, Lloyd-James, rich in col., good blaze, nice shape, and cond.; vhc, Tams; c, Oldham. LINETT (15): 1, 2, Oldham, both very glossy, well mkd., forward in col., and tight cond.; 3, Pitchford, very line shape, larger, but not so forward in col. and silkiness yet; 4, Adam Holt, lovely shape, col., markings, and tight cond., only beaten in size a little, will develop; vhc, he, Tams; c, Higham. SISKIN, ETC. (21): A very good lot of Twites in this class: 1, Parlett, Twite, looking fine; 2, he, Hayter, grand Mealy Redpoll, size and all else of the best; 3, Fairhurst, pretty siskin, in rare cond.; 4, Oldham, grand Twite, and well up to first; vhc, Handley, very fine Lesser Redpoll; c, Cottingham. GREENF. (8): 1, Hart, good all round bird, grand level feather, etc.; 2, he, Fairhurst, practically equal and hard to separate from first; 3, Metcalfe, smart all through; 4, Whitney and Son, just gives way a little on finish in condition of feather; vhc, Price and Fellows; c, Oldham. BRAMBLE, ETC. (10): 1, Parlett, deep tone all over, well spangled, fine glossy cond., Bramble; 2, Oldham, pretty Chaff., in nice order; 3, Fairhurst, runs winner very hard in all points; 4, Pitchford, really pretty Bramble, well up to others; vhc, Hubbard; he, Cottingham; c, Rothwell. A.O. HARD (13): 1, Wilson, perfect Meadow Bunting, a picture; 2, Cottingham, very fine conditioned Hawfinch, fair size, good clean bib, etc.; 3, Johnson, fine Yell. Bunting in the pink; 4, Hayter, rich and bright conditioned Corn Bunting; vhc, Macpherson; he, Hubbard; c, Fairhurst. SMALL SOFTBILL (8): 1, 4, Sharples, grand, tight Black Redstart, and good lively Nuthatch; 2, Colton, very pretty Pipit, A1 cond.; 3, Bescoly, very tight Redstart, well shown; vhc, Watson; he, Williamson. FOR. (16): Very interesting lot of beautiful birds: 1, 3, vhc, Sharples, Whydah leading, in splendid feather, well shown; 2, Muscott, lovely Eclectus hen, rare size, rich col. and cond.; 4, c. Hubbard, pretty pair Nonparcils, best of cond.; he, Smith.

Novice Members' Classes. YORKS. YELL. (3): 1, 2, Riley; 3, Drew. BUFF (3): 1, Drew; 2, Strafford; 3, Riley. UNFLIG. YELL. 1, Welsh. BUFF (3): 1, 3, Riley; 2, Welsh. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 2, 3, Riley; 4, Drew; vhc, Shaw. BUFF (1): 1, Drew; 2, Shaw; 3, vhc, Riley; 4, Welsh. LIGHT HYB. (4): 1, Strafford; 2, 3, 4, Lewis. DARK (3): 1, 3, Shaw; 2, Strafford; GOLDF. OR BULLF. (3): 1, 2, Strafford; 3, Taylor. LINETT (3): 1, 2, Strafford; 3, Fletcher. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, 2, Shaw; 2, 4, Fletcher; vhc, Strafford; he, Taylor. GREENF. (2): 1, Fletcher; 2, Strafford. A.O. HARBILL (5): 1, 3, Strafford; 2, 4, Fletcher; vhc, Taylor. SOFT-BILL: 1, 2, 3, Lewis. Mr. Strafford's Bramble 1st in Harbill class won sp. for best amat. or nov. Brit.

MUIRKIRK O.S.

Annual open show Oct. 31. The Temperance Hall is a splendid one, having good roof light. The birds were well and comfortably staged in the lesser hall. They were the attraction to the many visitors of this district who look on the bird show as the event of the season. Borders turned out in good numbers, under the fostering care of the president, Mr. T. Findlay, who was a host in himself. The sec., Mr. James Torbett, is the right man at the helm, and has little to learn in running a show successfully. The committee are all willing hands, each having his own place and carrying out his duties thoroughly. Entries were much the same as last year, although there were two British classes added which deserved more support. Mr. Watson's medal winner in Borders was a beauty for type, and was staged to win. Mr. A. Geddes, Dumfries, judged, and the awards were well received.

BORD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Laidlaw, very typical, close in feather, rich even col.; 2, Kroezen, same type, very rich col., splendid carr.; 3, Dempster, nice weight and cond., fine jaunty carr., presses hard; 4, Mossie; he, Clark; c, Wilson. BUFF (9): 1, Watson, will be heard of again, one of the real type, staged in faultless order, wins Border Club's medal; 2, Mossie, not far behind, similar type, nice weight, grand carr.; 3, Kilpatrick, feathered like wax, pressing leaders hard; 4, Montgomery; he, Findlay. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Kirkhope, smart little lady, excels col., nice type, correct weight, in the pink; 2, Gibson, good and typical, fine back and wing carr., might perhaps have given way to 3, Dempster, as good in type and excels in condition of feather; 4, Alexander; he, Findlay; c, Millar. BUFF (10): 1, 2, Kirkhope, beauties, leader a perfect model, feathered like a Java, 2nd similar type, just fails feather; 3, Findlay, must have pressed hard, very typical, put down in usual A1 order; 4, Montgomery; he, Watson; c, Kilpatrick. VARIEG. CK. (6): 1, Mossie, nice yell. mkd., grand type and size, in the pink; 2, Millar, wee shade long, otherwise good; 3, Watson, grand three-pointed, splendid type, fine jaunty carr., very taking; 4, Findlay; he, Ferguson; c, Woods. HEN (8): 1, Gibson, very typical buff, good wing marks, fine cond. of feather; 2, Ferguson, nice cinn. marks, best of feather and carr., shows well; 3, Kroezen, buff, nice full type, grand head, carries wings well; 4, McCall; he, Watson; c, Dempster. EVEN MKD. (5): 1, McKean, grand yell., perfectly balanced marks, best of col., grand full head; 2, 4, Findlay, model for type and weight, grand feather and wings, worth his place; 3, Murray; he, Kirkhope. GR. OR CINN. (11): 1, 2, Wilson, a credit, leader a Gr. of great qual. and type, correct size, grand wings, very pure col., 2nd equally good Cinn., in splendid form; 3, Murray, tip-top Gr., purest of col., perfect head, wants time to make a stormer; 4, Rubie; he, McCall; c, Service. SELL. (5): 1, Findlay; 2, Montgomery; 3, Murray; 4, Kirkhope; he, no name. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (4): 1, Smart, Bullie, grand size, very early up in col., nice broad cap, pure bars; 2, Stobbes Bros., Goldie, rare Britisher, nice blaze, wants time; 3, Alexander, Bullie, fails to win in cap and bars, well up in size and cond.; 4, McCloy, most typical in class, grand bib and bars, lacks size. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, Smart, Twite; 2, Morgan, Redpoll, wild; 3, Stobbes Bros., Twite, A.O.V. (4): 1, McCloy, Hawfinch, perfect feather, fine deep face, nice jet bib, a model, except size; 2, Mitchell, another Hawf., fails col. to winner; 3, Murray, Bramble, shade wild; 4, Smart. CONFINED BORD. CK. (6): 1, Montgomery; 2, Millar; 3, Dempster; 4, T. Findlay; he, McKean; c, J. Findlay. HEN (5): 1, T. Findlay; 2, J. Findlay; 3, Montgomery; 4, McKean; he, Millar.

NORTH-WEST GLASGOW C.B.C.

Meeting, Blythwood Halls, Gt. Western Road, Oct. 22, Mr Gibb presiding over a good attendance. Sec. handed out schedules for annual show, Nov. 14, in above halls, where we hope to have a good entry seeing there are now six trophies to compete for, also medal for best bird, and quite a number of handsome specials. I hope members will take note of this and give us a large entry. Next meeting November 4, 8; final arrangements.—Wm. Loan, Sec.

FORFAR SECURES A RECORD ENTRY.

Fifth annual show of the Forfar C.B.S., Oct. 31, in the Masonic Hall, a very suitable place, being well lighted from the roof and free from draughts. Entries numbered 443—a record for Forfar. The secretary, Mr. D. Kerr, had everything carried through without a hitch, and was well backed up by a hard-working lot of officials:—President, J. Bowman; vice-president, C. Kennedy; and committee, Messrs. J. Pyfe, D. Kydd, J. Anderson, J. Robertson, R. Dalgety, J. McKay, A. Simpson, and F. B. Clark. Silver rose bowl was won by G. Mitchell, silver medalion A. Maxwell, Sandford medal G. Mitchell, Hyde teapot C. Kennedy. The judges were: Nor., A. Chalmers, Kirkintilloch; Bord., J. Auld, Bannockburn; Brit., G. Marlin, Hamilton; and their awards gave general satisfaction.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (12): 1, rose bowl, medal, sp. Mitchell, large and typical, good head and neck, bold front, rich col.; 2, Forrest, nice type and qual., sweetly moulded, tails in size to winner; 3, Spence, head tkl., nice round bird, fails in qual. only; vhc, Taylor; he, McLeod; c, McCue. BUFF (11): 1, Forrest, lovely head and neck, nice bold front, grand qual., wins; 2, J. Adam, good size, just fails in head and qual. to winner, still good; 3, Woodhouse, nice type and qual., close up; vhc, Allison; he, Sandison; c, Reid. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Allison, fine size, lovely type and qual., bold front, in grand order, wins; 2, Maxwell, soft when taking notes; 3, Harris, similar type, fails in qual. to winner; vhc, Blair; he, Myler; c, Sandison. BUFF (10): 1, Hampton, bonny bird, nice head and neck, bold front, put down to win; 2, Smeaton, good size, not the bloom of winner; 3, Blair, lovely type and qual., not quite the size of leaders; vhc, Taylor; he, Spence; c, Lumsden. VAR. ETC., YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, Smith, nice ones, leader capital size and style, nice head and neck, bold front, grand cond.; 2, similar shape, loses in qual. to winner; 3, Collic, close up; vhc, Hampton; he, Harris; c, Irouside. BUFF (11): 1, sp. Kennedy, good size and style, full head and neck, bold front; 2, T. Collic, bold bird, rich col., close up; 3, sp. Maxwell, heavily var., loses in head, still good; vhc, Smeaton; he, Grewar; c, Allison, seemed to be hard lines here, some thought could have won. VAR. ETC., YELL. HEN (12): 1, sp. Mitchell, large, thick set, good col.; 2, Smith, good head and neck, bold front, fails only in size; 3, sp. Grewar, lightly mkd., nice qual., but not the subs.; vhc, Anderson; he, Hendry; c, Allison. BUFF (8): 1, Woodhouse, good type, size, and qual., bold front, well put down; 2, Grewar, not so bold in front, good qual.; 3, Myles, nice short bird; vhc, Anderson; he, Sandison; c, Sharp. UNFLIG. CK. (32): Grand lot; 1, 2, Grewar, leader head tkl., nice round bird, nicely carried wings, 2 cl. buff, good size and type; little to part them; 3, sp. Mitchell, similar, rich col.; vhc, Lawson and Sons; he, J. D. Adam; c, Smeaton. HEN (30): 1, medalion, sp. Maxwell, neat head and neck, short, thick body, nice wings; 2, J. D. Adam, yell. var., fine head and neck, bold front, good col.; 3, Lumsden, foul buff, nice all-round, some thought best in class; vhc, Forrest; he, Chalmers; c, Taylor. NAT. COL. CK. (10): 1, sp. vhc, Grewar, foul yell., grand head and neck, extra bold front, splendidly cut away, in grand trim, wins; 2, Woodhouse, cl. buff, similar body, fails in head to winner; 3, sp. McLeod, good front, pale in col.; he, Smart; c, Lawson and Sons. HEN (10): 1, Gardiner, cl. buff, short and thick, nice wings and tail; 2, Mitchell, yell. gr., nice round head, good front and wings; 3, McLeod, cl. yell., similar type, close up; vhc, Harris; he, Smeaton; c, Carstairs. SELLE, CK. (12): 1, Hampton; 2, Dalgety; 3, Craig. HEN (13): 1, Anderson; 2, J. Adam; 3, Kennedy. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (13): 1, sp. G. Bennet, nice round head, good front, well filled in back, splendid wings and tail; 2, McDonald, sweet exhibit, fails in front to winner; 3, Nicol, nice type, wants the blood; vhc, Wilson; he, Ewart; c, Bell. BUFF (20): 1, J. Robertson, neat type, nice carr., well placed wings; 2, Halliday, very graceful, in lovely order; 3, Craig, similar shape, and carr., well put down; vhc, Elliot; he, Irons; c, Irvine. YELL. VAR. CK. (7): 1, sp. Craig, 4-pointed, bordering on perfection, rare shape and col., lovely action, wins; 2, Wilson, nice type and quality, fails in front and col. to winner; 3, Hastings, good shape, wants the bloom yet; vhc, Duncan; he, Gray; c, Rae and Reid. BUFF (11): 1, Duncan, grizzle head and wing, neat head, good wings and tail, lovely carr.; 2, sp. Craig, lovely shape, full of style, put down to perfection; vhc, Smart; he, Gentleman; c, Wilson. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (13): 1, sp. Craig, beauty for style, sweet round head, lovely front and back, sound col., smooth as glass; 2, Potheringham, similar type, fails in head and neck to winner; 3, Wilson, sweet exhibit, close up; vhc, A. Robertson; he, Steven; c, Symon. BUFF (19): 1, Murray, nice head, good front and back; 2, McDonald, similar shape, nice qual.; 3, sp. H. Bennet, good all-round exhibit, must have pressed for 1st place; vhc, Duncan; he, Nicol; c, J. Robertson. YELL. VAR. HEN (5): 1, Craig, true type, lovely feather, nicely placed wings, charming worker, grand cond.; 2, Duncan, same type, rare col., lovely action; 3, vhc, Crabb and Finlayson, good all-round, moves well, just fails in wings only; he, H. Duncan; c, Craig. BUFF (9): 1, Halliday, four-pointed, nice col., neat head, nice front and back, lovely cond.; 2, Craig, similar markings, superb col., smooth as glass, close up; 3, Irons, true type, good qual.; vhc, Stirling; he, Murray; c, Campbell. BORD. GR. OR CINN. (10): 1, sp. Reid, buff gr., neat head, lovely type, sound col., throughout; 2, 3, Whitclaw, yell. cinn., neat and typical, nice wings; 3, buff gr., nice front and back, splendid cond.; vhc, Reid; he, Wilson; c, Sturrock. SELLE, CK. (14): 1, Craig; 2, Wilson; 3, Ewart. HEN (11): 1, Smart; 2, H. Bennet; 3, Wilson.

LIGHT MULE or HYB. (10): 1, 3, Samson, Linnet-Bullies; 2, Pyfe, a grand Goldfinch-Bullie, but very unsteady and rather rough, lucky to separate the first two; 4, Bell, grand yellow Goldie-Can.; he, Fife; c, Donnelly. DARK (9): 1, vhc, Nicoll, big bounding yell. Goldie-Can.; 2, Dewar, Greenf. Can.; 3, Aitken, yell. Goldie, better in size than winner; he, Muir and Hinnan. HEN (6): 1, McGillivray Bros., light buff Goldie-Can.; 2, Nicoll, Siskin-Greenf.; he, Kerr. Siskin-Can.; vhc, Aitken; c, Calder. GOLDF. (9): 1, Palmer; 2, Christie; 3, Lawson and Sons; vhc, Reid Bros.; he, Willie; c, Bisset. BULLF. (11): 1, Thomson, dense cap, fine breast col., good bars; 2, Calder, nice F.M., well worth its place; 3, Steel; vhc, Adam; he, Palmer; c, Lister. GREENF. (11): 1, Adamson, fine large bird, good col., steady; 2, Brownlie and Cook, good one, close up; 3, Dewar, good col., silky feather, fine size; vhc, Calder; he, Dalgety; c, Colville. LINETT (13): 1, Steele, grand big bounding Linnet, well pencilled, good col., very steady, wins; 2, Reid Bros., nicely mkd., good body col.; 3, Mackie, well pencilled, fine cond.; vhc, Taylor; he, Robson; c, Greig. SISKIN, ETC. (21): 1, Adamson, Siskin, a gem, nice cap and bib, fine size, good condition, a clear win; 2, Steele, Mealy Toll; 3, Brownlie and Cook; he, Calder; c, Lawrie.

BRIT. HEN (12): 1, Adam, Bullie, fine broad cap, nice clear bars, lovely cond.; 2, Greig; another Bullie, hard to separate; 3, Lawson and Sons, Siskin, well worth its place; vhc, Brownlie and Cook; he, Robson; c, Gentleman. A.O. BRIT. (9): 1, he, Kaitt, a pair of grand Yellowhammers; 2, Greig, lovely Song Thrush; 3, Bell, another grand Yellow Bunting, runs winner very close; 4, Taylor, Yefow Wagtail, drops its left wing; c, Ewart. FOR. (5): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Arnott, leading with a nice Honey-sucker. SELLE (8): 1, Lawrie; 2, Greig; 3, Douglas; vhc, Peters; he, Pyfe; c, McArdle and Stewart.

EDINBURGH O.S.

Sixty-seventh annual show, Grindlay-street, Artillery Hall, Oct. 31. Entries were a shade down, but what was lacking in numbers was made up in quality. The "Coronation Cup" for best bird was won by Mr. G. C. T. Hope with a lovely yellow cock of grand size and substance, a beauty all over, which should do some winning for its owner at coming shows. The varieg section was poorly represented in the 10 classes provided, but several nice birds were staged. A new feature at this show was that no exhibitor could win more than three specials, and this seemed to work very satisfactorily. Judges were:—Scotch Fancy, Mr. J. A. Stewart, Glasgow, and Mr. Wm. Thorntor, Edinburgh; all others, Mr. R. Craig, Edinburgh.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. YELL. CK. (8): 1, sp., cup best bird, Hope, massive size and subs., fine top end, grand length of side; 2, Paterson, real good one, just fails size to leader, scarcely finished; 3, Dalgliesh, hard up, capital drive and style; 4, 7, Allan; 5, West; 6, Howden; 8, Weston. YELL. PIED (7): 1, Dalgliesh, fine square top end, fine depth through, gets tail well under; 2, Allan, good size and subs., well packed shoulders, capital style; 3, 4, West, fine snaky head and neck, nice pos., good one; 5, Hope; 6, Howden. YELL. FOUL (4): 1, Dalgliesh, rare top end and drive, nice length of wing, long pose; 2, Paterson, hard up, capital drive, fine snaky head and neck; 3, Rodgers, not a big one but all there for style and pose; 4, Weston. BUFF (11): 1, Dalgliesh, grand size and weight, gets well up on leg, nice action; 2, Allan, good reach and drive, capital length of side, stylish; 3, Hope, fails drive to leaders, nice subs., fine sweep of tail; 4, Dalgliesh; 5, 6, Paterson; 7, Kean; 8, West. BUFF PIED (13): 1, Dalgliesh, grand length of side, capital drive, neat top end, nice depth through heart; 2, sp., 3, Allan, good ones, 2nd good top end, rare pose, gets head well down, 3rd good reach and drive, fine style; 4, 5, Paterson; 6, Buchan; 7, Wilson; 8, Petrie. BUFF FOUL (9): 1, sp., Rodgers, nice qual., stands well on perch, fine square shoulders, good length of side; 2, West, grand size and

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subs., good circle, good thickness through chest; 3, sp., Dalgliesh, neat and stylish, nice reach and top end; 4, Paterson; 5, Buchan. BUFF GR.: 1, Petrie, good reach and drive, nice substance. HENS, CL. YELL. (7): 1, Paterson, not the biggest in class, but grand for style and action, very nervy; 2, Drysdale, on stronger lines, fine length, neat head; 3, Howden, good top, nice size and subs., not finished yet; 4, Weston; 5, West; 6, Allan; 7, Drysdale. YELL. PIED (6): 1, sp. runner-up for best, Dalgliesh, looks like Derby winner, good one, rare top end and reach, fine thickness through heart; 2, Hope, not just the subs. of winner, but all there for style and action; 3, Howden, shorter reach than leaders, nice free action; 4, Allan; 5, Kean. FOUL YELL. (3): 1, Allan, good top end, grand subs., nice length of side; 2, 3, Hope, 2nd foul on left wing, capital subs., good snaky head and neck, rare style. YELL. GRN. (1): 1, Rodgers, on the small side, fine style and action. CL. BUFF (8): 1, Hope, grand size and weight, nice top end and drive, nice thickness; 2, Kean, good subs., well filled between shoulders, short drive; 3, Paterson, grand style and action, long drive, could have gone up; 4, Howden; 5, Hope; 6, Allan; 7, Dalgliesh. BUFF PIED (9): 1, 2, Dalgliesh, lovely brace, leader excels in top end and drive, grand length of side, 2nd nice reach, well up in size, nice action; 3, 4, 6, Paterson, rare neck and drive, gets hard up, capital mover; 5, 7, Allan. BUFF FOUL (9): 1, Dalgliesh, good top end, grand size and weight, plenty of nerve; 2, Howden, foul on neck, fine snaky head and neck, lovely reach, nice shoulder; 3, Dalgliesh, wing foul, good size and pos., rare reach, taking style; 4, Kean; 5, 6, Hope; 7, 8, Weston. BUFF GRN. (3): 1, 3, sp., Menzies, leader very plain good up, capital pose and action, 3rd fine reach and drop, nice style; 2, Buchan, shade short in drive, beaten subs., nice top end. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (1): 1, West, hot fed, nicely carried wings and tail. BUFF (2): 1, 2, West, leader wins on size, nice head and front, fine wing carr. A.O.V. CAN. (5): All Bords.; 1, 3, West, nice yell. cock leading, fine head and front, wee bit rough in feather, 3rd buff varieg. cock, nice col. and qual., grand wing carr.; 2, 4, Drysdale, eye and wing mkd. buff cock, sweet head and front, nicely balanced wings, fine pipe tail. BRIT. (10): 1, sp., Laird and Mathews, good sized Bramble, nice breast col. and spangle; 2, sp., Menzies, well coloured Yellowhammer, capital markings; 3, Allan, fine big Chaffie, lovely breast col., well defined whites; 4, Laird and Mathews; 5, 6, Allan.

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Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

FOR RULES, SEE LAST WEEK'S ISSUE.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

VARIOUS (Winter).—(1) This query is rather vague. If you mean which is the best breed for song it is undoubtedly the Toller. No other breed can approach it for song pure and simple; but it is by no means the most stylish or best-looking bird. (2) Sorry, but I cannot single out any dealer for mention here. It would be most unfair to all the rest. Watch our advertisement columns for a few weeks, and deal only with a firm with a reputation to maintain, or adopt the Deposit System in negotiating a deal. (3) If the lacquer gets worn off an all-brass cage, verdigris is practically certain to form on parts of it which get splashed with moisture, and then the bird is apt to pick it off, in which case it is not only injurious, but poisonous to a dangerous degree. (4) For details of general management you cannot do better than get "Canary Breeding for Beginners," 7d. post free, or for details of the various breeds House's "Canary Manual," 1s. 2d. post free, both from our Manager.

DIETARY IN COLD ROOM (Perplexed).—Assuming the room is reasonably free from cold draughts and damp the following dietary will keep them in good hard and robust condition, and they will come into condition naturally at the proper time in the spring. As staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition make up a mixture of two parts each of hemp, millet and niger; one part each of black rape, teazle and broken groats; a quarter part each of gold of pleasure and maw; and an eighth part of linseed or chopped sunflower seed. All parts by measure. Give half a teaspoonful of this mixture per bird every third day, and on the intervening days give a similar quantity of egg food, or, as substitute, bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar,

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Finch," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

on one day, and a morsel of sweet fruit, when green salad is out of season, on the next. When the weather is very severe you may give the seed mixture every second day, and the soft food on alternate days, and omit the fruit or green food for the time being. Offer the bath twice a week in fair weather early in the day.

NOT MOULTING (E. P.).—It is only reasonable to expect something to be more or less seriously wrong with any Canary which is given "plenty of linseed every day." If you are expert at the job, or could get a friend who is to do it for you, I should advise, as the first step, giving the bird a hand-wash, using the water a trifle warmer than is usual. Keep in a comfortable temperature, and follow the washing with two vapour baths, with an interval of three days between each. To give these put the bird in an open wire cage on a table, place a mug of nearly boiling water on the table near the cage, and cover all over with a shawl or woollen wrap. After fifteen minutes or so remove the mug of water, but leave the cage covered for half an hour or so. See that it is not exposed to chill afterwards. During this treatment give a piece of bread the size of a hazel nut soaked in cold milk, drained, slightly dusted with flour of sulphur, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar every second day, and otherwise feed the same as advised to "Perplexed" this issue, and in the drinking water add 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron, and as much chorazot of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece every second day. At the end of eight or ten days, if the bird has not started to moult, stop the drugs and move the bird into a decidedly colder room, but take care that it is free from direct cold draughts or damp, and let it remain there for a week, by which time it should have broken well into moult, when you may take it back to its usual place and allow the moult to follow its own course.

HAS IT MOULTED? (Anxious, Ashton).—If, as you say, the bird was only six weeks old when you bought it, and has never moulted since, it must still be in its nestling plumage, which I hardly think is likely to be the case. Probably it has moulted gradually, and the process escaped your attention. The moult it should have gone through this autumn may be deferred until the spring, and if you do not require the bird for breeding, this is not of sufficient moment to warrant any attempt to force a moult upon it, so as the bird keeps in such good health and song you would be best advised to leave well alone. Keep it under healthful conditions, and in a bright position where the air is always pure and fresh, but not draughty, and feed as you will frequently see advised in this column, and I do not think you need worry about its apparent failure to moult just at the proper time. If you really want to get it to moult now, you may treat it as you will see advised to "E.P." in this issue, but my advice is—don't.

AVIARY OR CAGE? (Snipe).—It's only by courtesy that a structure the size you name can be called an aviary. It is merely a fair sized cage. One cock and two hens is the limit you can expect to keep in it with the least chance of successful breeding. If you wish to use it for any greater number than this, you must put in one or two partitions, dividing the space into two or three equal parts, and then you may keep a hen in each space and run a cock with each hen in succession during the breeding season. One cock would do for either two or three hens under these circumstances, as you would only need to allow him to remain with each one until she had

gone to nest, then remove him, and leave the hen to hatch out and rear the young by herself.

MOULTING AND CAGE (Miss Nicholson).—(1) If the bird seems to have made a fairly complete change of plumage, as it certainly has had time to do, treat as follows for a month, which should set matters right, but you must not expect the bird to sing until the effect of the moult has passed off. For staple diet, give a mixture of three parts canary to one part summer rape. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry, and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in 1/2, and sprinkled with maw seed. On the alternate days give a similar quantity of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats. Give a spray of water every or a morsel of sweet fruit three or four times a week. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give 20 drops of this mixture in the drinking water every second day, preferably on the days you do not give the prepared sponge cake. (2) Any cage of sufficiently large dimensions would answer the purpose of allowing a single Canary a fair amount of exercise with some pretence of using its wings. A so-called Crystal Palace aviary would be almost ideal for the purpose where a bird had to be caged. But if space is a consideration a box cage 16 or 18 ins. long, 10 ins. high, and 10 ins. from back to front, not overstocked with perches, would do very nicely, and may be readily accommodated practically anywhere.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SISKIN WITH INJURED EYE (F. W. Ware).—You should have taken your bird in hand some time ago; three months is a long time for a bird to be ill without giving it proper attention. If the sight of the eye is destroyed, I fear you can do nothing for it, but I would advise you to carefully examine it and find out if it can see or not; after that try with a strong glass and see if there is any injury. It may be that the bird has contracted a habit of rubbing the eye on the perch or wires of the cage, which causes a certain amount of inflammation. Dissolve half a teaspoonful of boracic powder in half a cupful of fairly warm water, and bathe the infected part daily. Make the powder into a thick paste before adding the bulk of the water. Give the bird an aperient of as much Glauber salts as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of water. Feed him on a fairly liberal supply of green food and wild berries, and a little soaked seeds occasionally. You had better cage him off separately for a time.

GOLDFINCHES AND LINNETS (Perplexed).—You do not give the sex of your bird, which makes a difference. If they are mixed you will no doubt have trouble, but three cock birds or three hens as a rule agree very well, although at all times the males indulge in a little sparring. In case of injury to one, or the others taking a dislike to him, you must remove him, but generally speaking you will find three birds agree together better than two. Your stock seed mixture should consist of teazle 4 parts, canary 3 parts, hemp 2 parts, linseed and summer rape 1/2 part each. Give a few grains of sunflower seed every day, and if you can procure a good brand of wild seed mixture, let them have a teaspoonful three times a week. A spray of green food should also be offered, and wild food collected when in season. (2) The same remarks respecting the keeping of three birds together apply to the

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should consult Howton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Habitats" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Tit," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Linnet, although as a rule they are not very quarrelsome. If you want them for song they would do better caged separately. The following is a good stock mixture: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape, charlock and linseed 1 part each. A teaspoonful of the wild seed mixture may be given twice a week. When the birds are a little bit down in condition a little lightly cracked hemp of good quality will soon bring them into song. They are fond of chickweed and shepherd's purse, both of which can still be collected. We publish a Nutshell Booklet on the Goldfinch, and one on the Linnet, both of which would be useful to you, price 2d. each, post free. Your Canary query should have been sent on a separate paper; it will be answered by Mr. St. John.

WHAT BIRDS? (Chief Engineer).—Taking into consideration the spot where your birds were caught and the description you send, there is every indication that they are Snow Buntings. The beak of a Bunting is very different to that of the Finch, the lower mandible shutting on to the upper at a sharp angle at the base, and inside the upper is a knob, which is absent in the Finch. Snow Buntings vary a good deal in plumage according to the season, so much so that they have frequently been mistaken for other species. They are Arctic birds, living in the extreme North, beyond the Northern Forests, but migrate during the autumn and are sometimes caught in England in the winter months. As a cage bird canary seed is their chief food; of this they never appear to tire, and they will get fat on it. They are rather sluggish birds and need a big cage to induce them to take exercise. They are not of very much value, although a good bird occasionally gets in the prize list at some of our best exhibitions.

THRUSH FOR SINGING (N. Wolf).—If you treat your birds well and keep them tame they should soon begin to warble and he in full song soon after Christmas. Of course, one cannot say definitely what a certain bird will do, as so much depends upon treatment and the inclination of the captive; some take to cage life from the first and quickly repay their attendant by some charming melody. (2) The sample of food sent is of excellent quality, and should keep your warblers in tip-top condition. Do not forget a little insect life for the Thrushes, and let them bathe as frequently as possible.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

Ashton, Denton and Hyde Amalg.—Nov. 10, Denton Rooms, 8. Election of judge for annual show and other show bus.—W. Hopwood.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 8. Second table show; final arrangements for show.—E. Johnson.

Barry F. and F.S.—Nov. 11, Headquarters, 8. Result of members' show.—H. P. Thomas.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Nov. 10, Joiners' Arms, Deansgate, 8. Members' and open show business.—J. Kilshaw.

Bradford National Show.—Nov. 11, Market Tavern, 8. Final arrangements for annual show.—S. Midgley.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Nov. 11, Headquarters, 7. Table show, judging at 8, by Mr. W. Swayland; classes as per schedule; numerous specials.—W. H. Gibb.

British Roller C.C.—Nov. 10, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martin's-le-Grand, 8.—J. W. Norris.

Chopwell C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Club Hall, 7.—W. II. Christer.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Nov. 9, 60, Paddington Street, Marylebone, W. 8. Washing competition, three medals presented; judge F. Basterling. Interested visitors warmly welcomed.—V. Wynn.

City of Bradford O.S.—Nov. 7, Flying Dutchman, 8. General business and final arrangements for next members' show.—W. Helliwell.

Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Plough Hotel, Queen Victoria Road, 8.30. Mr. R. Symonds will give a lecture on "Breeding and Preparing Yorkshires for Exhibition." Members please attend and make it a success.—F. A. Green.

Coventry O.S.—Nov. 11, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Last meeting previous to open show; important.—A. Green.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 2. Members' first annual show, Mr. H. Norman judge. Silver cup for members. Border fanciers wanted.—H. Legg.

Darlington C.B.S.—Nov. 11, George Hotel, 7.30. Important bus.—H. Todd.

Denton C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Headquarters, 8. Resignation of sec., and business concerning amalgamated show.—W. Hopwood.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, 7. Elect stewards for show; specials, etc.—Jameson and Johnson.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Black Bull, 7. To decide on holding open show, room, etc.; subs. due.—G. Hunt.

Eccleshill C.B.A.—Nov. 7, Fountain Inn, 8. General bus.—S. Wilcock.

Falkirk, Grangemouth, and Bannockburn C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Oddfellow's Hall, 7.—R. Rennie.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Final arrangements for show; members please note change of date.—W. Dawson.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Headquarters, 8. Show and other important bus.; subs. overdue.—W. Curry.

Glasgow and West of Scotland.—Nov. 7, Nelson Temp. Hotel, 7.30.—Wm. Hutchison.

Gt. Horton Good Intent O.S.—Nov. 7, Grange School Room, All Saints' Road, Dirkhill. Members' show staged 2.30, judge Mr. R. Halliday.—A. Firth.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Nov. 9, Headquarters, Amethyst Club, 8.30. Annual show.—R. W. Ford, junr.

Halifax O.S.—Nov. 7, Plummet Line Hotel, 8. Members' meeting, annual open show arrangements; notice time of meeting.—H. Clegg.

Hetton-le-Hole C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Colliery Hotel, 6. Arranging classes for annual show.—G. Vipond.

Huddersfield O.S.—Nov. 9, Headquarters, 8. Monthly table show: Six Yorks. classes, 4 Norf. judge Mr. E. Ellis, Mirfield.—A. Lawford.

Idle C.B.S.—Nov. 14, White Bear Inn, 2.30. Members' show, judge Mr. J. Bailey; entries Friday night, 8.30 till 10.—C. E. Hylton.

Keighley C.B.S.—Nov. 10, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Stewards for show and other show bus.—C. W. Town.

Leeds C.B.S.—Nov. 7, St. George's School Rooms, near Infirmary, St. George's Street. Members' show, birds staged 2.30, judge Mr. Sam Wilcock, Eccleshill; usual monthly meeting will not be held.—E. Norton.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Nov. 7, Lockhart's, Briggate, 7.30. Entries for members' show, Nov. 14, at Lockhart's; visitors heartily welcomed; admission free.—H. Best.

Leigh C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Washing competition, judge Mr. J. Lomas; schedules and entry forms for old show.—R. Charleson.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Nov. 10, White Swan, 8.30. Prize money paid.—A. Freestone.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Nov. 12, Oldham Hall, 7.45. Notice night show and lecture on wild seeds by R. Barker; judges for show T. Rowlands, J. Walker, G. Green and J. Jones.—J. Lloyd.

Manningham C.B.A.—Nov. 7, Headquarters, 2. Members' show, judge Mr. J. W. Dewhurst; entries Friday night.—H. Grange.

Middleton C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting, show business, also lecture by Mr. Thomas on the Yorkshire Canary, all fanciers welcome.—J. Hulton.

Middlebro' and Tees-side C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Show business.—J. Swinco.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Nov. 11, Mechanics' Institute, 8. Entries for amalg. members' show, and make final arrangements.—J. G. Royce.

Newton-le-Willows F. and F.S.—Nov. 12, Pied Bull Hotel, 8. Show business.—H. A. Waddington.

Newcastle-on-Tyne East End C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Leighton Schools, Heaton Road. Special meeting. Final arrangements for show.—J. W. Coutts. (Time not stated.—Ed.)

North Manchester C.B.S.—Nov. 10, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Entries for November show.—A. Colley.

Oldham C.B.A.—Nov. 10, Textile Dining Rooms, Shaw-road, 8. Entries for show and other important bus.—J. Cope.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Nov. 11, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. General bus.; schedules out for table show.—A. W. Newton.

Port and Rhondda Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Headquarters, 7. Lecture and show business.—J. S. Jones.

ShIPLEY O.S.—Nov. 7, Victoria Hotel. Members' show, birds staged at 2, judge Mr. W. Walsh (Baildon)—E. Grange.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Nov. 9, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Paper by Mr. E. Ousman on "The War, and its Effects on the Cage Bird Fancy."—J. Pitchford.

Skipton C.B.S.—Nov. 9, Friendly Societies Hall, 7.30. Show business.—E. Gill.

South London Col. and F.A.—Nov. 12, Headquarters, 8. General meeting; final arrangements for annual show.—G. Burton.

S. Shields.—Nov. 7, Cyprus, 7.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Nov. 12, Wharf Hotel, 8.—G. Mitchell.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Nov. 10, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Entries for show.—W. Stafford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Nov. 7, Headquarters, 7.30. To decide whether open show is to be held; and other business; all members are to be present; important.—J. Peacock.

Watton, Everton C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Emmanuel Church Schools, 3. Same day as old show; important business.—Robinson and Burns.

Wandsworth F.S.—Nov. 12, Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, 8. Final arrangements for annual show.—W. Lightfoot.

Wood Green F.A.—Nov. 12, Nightingale Hotel, High Road, 8. Special general meeting; note change of date and place.—T. Callegari.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Horse and Groom, 6. Monthly show, judge Mr. E. Grange, Saltair; birds staged at 6.—W. Chapman.

Wigan C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Legs of Man Hotel, 8. Important final arrangements for show.—E. Ball.

Windhill C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Balance-sheet for members' show and ordinary bus.; subs. due.—Taylor and Ellis.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

GREY PARROT (Mrs. J. S.).—You give me no details, save just the one bare fact; you had better send 2d. to our manager for the "Grey Parrot" Nutshell, and diet and treat your bird generally according to the directions given therein. As to the present trouble, there is really no data in your query for me to make a diagnosis from, but put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking-water daily, till the bowels have been well opened, then give one dose per week for another two or three months. Also get some syrup of hypophosphites from your chemist and put half a teaspoonful in the drinking-water twice a week, but not on the same days as you are giving the magnesia—you had better continue this for several months. Report progress in three weeks with full details, please.

TO GO WITH BUDGERIGARS (W. Walters).—It all depends on the size of your aviary. When not too crowded Madagascar, Blue-winged and Black-checked Lovebirds usually agree well with Budgerigars. Very few of the Finch tribe are safe with Parakeets, whether large or small, however, both the Grey and the White Java Sparrow are quite able to hold their own, also Magpie Mannikins, but I have heard of occasional maiming of the latter. Pope and Crested Cardinals are quite able to look

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradarats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warblers." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

after themselves amid such company, but these would require a little fruit and one or two live insects (mealworms or beetles; etc.) per diem per bird; otherwise the diet usually supplied for Budgerigars would meet the need of all species named above.

AILING BLUE-FRONT (E. J. Col).—Put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking-water daily till the bowels have been well moved, then give it twice a week for a month, afterwards give a dose as required to keep the bowels moving quite freely without undue looseness. Get your chemist to weigh you up some bromide of potassium

in 3 grain lots, dissolve one of these in a little syrup, stir it into two tablespoonfuls of water and give no other drinking-water for the day till all this has been taken—say you give 3 doses as above on three successive days for three weeks and then report progress. If the bird is at all thin or weak then give the hoiled maize twice a week and prepare so: boil till soft, pour off all water, then put over the maize half a teaspoonful of cod liver oil emulsion and allow this to soak in before supplying it to the bird. I should also give it a little honey and borax daily, direct to the mouth, from the end of a stick, this will help to keep its mouth and throat clear of slimy saliva—the stick should be cleaned each time before being inserted in the paste. Some fruit should be given daily.

GREY PARROT (H. R. McM.).—Such cases are by no means uncommon, and probably the bird bared its breast from maternal feeling, just before depositing the eggs; but, of course, there is a possibility that it is developing the vice of feather pulling, as some aged (also young) ones do. Get a bottle of Spratt's Pennacura and lightly anoint the bare place therewith. Give the bird one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia once a week, or oftener, if the droppings are at all stiff; the bowels should move quite freely without undue looseness. Continue the spraying, but once a week will be frequent enough now cold weather has set in. As a tonic, half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites in the drinking water twice a week is as good as any. In addition to seed, give fruit daily and the supply of grit and cuttlebone should be continuous. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever: but, ripe fruit, plain cake, biscuit, stale crusts and nuts can all be given to vary the diet. Of course a constant supply of mixed seed must be maintained. Report progress a few weeks hence.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

H. Hood.—The body sent is that of the Great Tit, often termed the Oxeye Tit.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 2s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's. E. Bradbury.—Pneumonia resulting from chill.

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THREE cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/- each, or exchange for good Roller: Wm. Patterson, 4, Park-rd., Portadown, Ireland. (1846)

1914 COCK Goldfinch Mule, Goldfinch notes; on approval; exchange two cock Goldfinches: O'Neil, Castle-st., Neath. (1848)

NOVICES.—Yellow Bunting, 2nd Clapham, with show, 10/-; two grand Linnets, 2/- each; or exchange; offers: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W. (1857)

SIBERIAN Goldfinch, house moulted, in show condition; exchange for sib bred hen Canaries: 17, Seymour Avenue, Tottenham, London. (1846)

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EXCHANGE two exhibition Westmorland cock Bullfinches for good cock Goldfinch, sell 5/-; approval: G. Wells, Sepulchre-lane, Kendal. (1850)

FOR sale, two h.m. Goldies, 4/6 each; two hens, 1/- each; or exchange large 1914 yellow Norwich hen or good yellow Norwich cock; offers; approval: Peck, Ashman's Hall-gdns., Beccles. (1851)

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EXCHANGE 1913 dark crested hen, 35/-, for yellow crested hen; approval: Garton, 9, Eton-rd., Burton-on-Trent. (1852)

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EXCHANGE two pair Borders, 1914, for pair good field-glasses, or 8/6 pair: Elliot, Dene, Paxton, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1848)

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YELLOW S.b. cock, seven years inbred, healthy, 8/6; exchange Rollers or British, or offers: Kent, 166, Bedwae-rd., Caerphilly, Glam. (1853)

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TWO otter cocks, 7/6 each; exchange navy tweed suit length; yours first: Brown, 3, Weldon-st., Hunslet, Leeds. (1854)

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SALE or exchange four cocks and six hens, Yorkshire Canaries, 1914 bred; approval: Kaye, 3, Ivy-st., Crosland Moor, Huddersfield. (1849)

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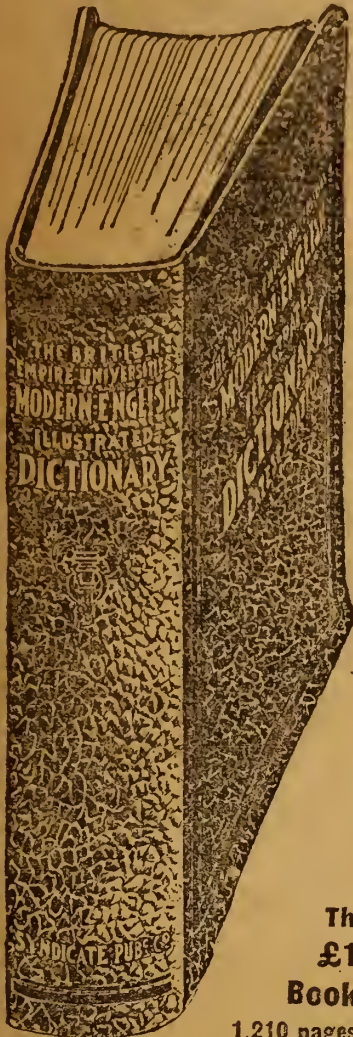
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- COCK Bullies, 1/9, 2/-; hens, 1/-; cock Goldies, 2/3, 1/6; show specimens supplied; satisfaction guaranteed: 12, via, East Dereham. (1864)

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- CATCHERS: Wanted, any quantity warranted, sound, healthy, cock Linnets, deposit: Girven, 53, Selbourne-st., South Shields. (1858)
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- CAGE-MOULTED Linnets, 1913, 5/- each; Goldfinches, 1914, and new cages, 5/-; Walker, Boot-maker, Binglefield-st., King's Cross. (1862)
- NORWICH show, 1914, 1st prize Bramblefinch, exquisite colouring, spangling, sheen, 41; win cost immediately: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (1860)
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- ENGLISH Goldfinches, cocks as big as Russians, 2/5, 2/6 each; hens, 1/- each, 3 for 2/-; on approval: W. Gardner, 67, St. Stephens-rd., Preston. (1829)
- HOUSE-MOULTED Linnets, suit catcher; Muler or fierce singer; bargain, 3/6; full week's approval: Enoch Toms, Church-st., Longton, Staffs. (1870)
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CHOICEST Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets; no fresh caught rubbish; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.
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BULLFINCHES, few cocks, grand birds, 2/-; few cock Canaries, singing all day, 5/- to 7/6; approval; cages free: Smith, Chapel-st., Longridge, Preston, Lancs. (1861)
RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, 3 1/3, 3/6 dozen, 3 dozen 9/6; cock Larks, biggest and best, 3 1/2, 2/6 dozen; Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; Blackbirds, Thrushes, cocks, 3 1/2; J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbeach. (1871)
WELSH Goldfinches, cocks, 2/-; few grand ones, specially selected, 2/6 and 3/6; cock Peewee, 7/6; hens, 6d. and 9d.; cock Bullfinches, 2/-; hens, 1/3; caged weeks, warranted healthy: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1870)
EXHIBITION Goldies, two winners, 25/-, 20/-, 17/6; Greenie, 4/-; Chaffinch, 4/-; Linnet, 5/-; all cocks; and house-moulted Borders and Yorkshire cocks, 7/6 up; hens, 4/- up; all British, can win in best of company; Morgan Thomas, 67, Wren-rd., Skewen, Neath. (1865)
GRAND British, from clean aviaries, cock Linnets, Greenies, Redpolls, 8d.; beautiful cock Bullies, 2/6; Goldies, 2/-; hens, 1/-; Tree Sparrows, 3d. pair; cock Thrushes and Blackbirds, 6d. each, all on approval: F. Stowe, Bird Expert, Cornwell, Chipping Norton. List of British free. (1867)
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BREEDER'S CARD.
BURTON BROS., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. Breeders of high-class Borders, all varieties. Prices moderate; state wants.
WANTED, Borders: Pearson, Greenwich. (1871)
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NOT showing, some grand stock birds for even-mark breed, 6/-, 7/6 pair: McVittie, 20, John-st., Langholm. (1868)
TYPICAL Borders, related to my winners at New Cross; see last week's issue: Preece, 16, Manor-lane, Lee. (1860)
BORDERS: Some grand birds for show or stock from this noted strain; approval, stamp: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (1861)
GIVING up: Six clear yellow cocks, 24/-; 1914 long buff hens 10/-; Craig-Hamilton strains: Macbeth, Zoar, Forfar. (1864)
CLASS Borders, pairs 10/6, 12/6; exchange 2/6 pairs for winning Mule or Hybrid: Andrew Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1863)
GREEN Borders for sale, pairs 9/- and 10/-, bred from the noted Walls-end strain: T. Render, 190, Shipley-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1871)
HIGH-CLASS Borders for sale; clears, greens, and cinnamon, fit for keen competition; prices reasonable: Kay, Fankerton, Denny. (1857)
CLASS Borders, yellows, buffs, and greens, cocks 7/6 upwards, hens 4/6 upwards; stamp reply: Blair, Postman, Kippen, Stirlingshire. (1862)
NOTICE—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1871)
VERY handsome lot young Borders, cocks good songsters, from 4/- each; hens, from 1/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed: Franklin, Gould-rd., Feltham. (1866)
PRIZE bred Border Fancy, 6 pairs at 12/6 a pair; some have won and can win; approval, deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1869)
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CHAMPION Borders, outside bred, clean, healthy birds, yellows, buffs, all one price, cocks 4/6, hens 2/-; approval: Dalgety, 10, River-st., Brechin, Forfarshire, N.B. (1869)
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First-rate Borders in splendid condition, sure winners; cocks 12/6, hens 10/-; deposit Editor: Smith, Springfield-lane, Weybridge. (1832)

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Some of the Finest Quality in Great Britain to-day. The prices are about as usual, but the value is very unusual, and value is and must be the only true test of cheapness. Have on approval, compare with all others, which will prove the facts of this statement. Cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 upwards; approval; cages, 3d.; detailed list free: W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

Cinnamons.

E. GODLEY, Knowles-st., Rishton, Blackburn, has for sale cinnamons and Norwich Plainheads, single or pairs; stamp, approval.
GRAND cinnamon, stock or show birds, cup winners, also winners of many prizes; stamp: Brown, 35, Tutley Plain, Plymouth. (1860)
MRS. TWIDDLE, Wenberley-st., Blackburn, can spare a few Cinnamons bred from my Liverpool and Manchester winners; also few Greens; stamp reply: (1869)
YELLOW cinnamon cock, 1st Norwich Alliance last week, 15/-; also few Plainheads, bred from Norwich. Lowestoft, Burton winners: Shearing, Bell-rd., Norwich. (1865)
LARGE typical Cinnamon yellow hen, Norwich type, good head, stout, 1914 bred, Deacon's strain, bargain, only 11/6; George Cubley, Luton Gnows, Long Sutton. (1870)
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WANTED, Crests: Pearson, Greenwich. (1871)
CRESTS, cocks or hens, 20/- each; pairs, 25/- to 40/-; bred from winners: Joseph Guy, Crosland-terrace, Helsby. (1862)
CRESTS, massive, winners: cock or hen, 10/6, 20/- each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1861)
TWO large green Crestbred cocks, 8/6; one Crested cock, variegated, rug, 8/6; Valdeu, 8, Nicholas Rectory, Guildford. (1865)
LARGE buff crested hens, large yellow Crestbred cocks; cheap for cash: Walker, 6, Lambert-ter, Aberdare, Wales. (1866)
CRESTS and Crestbreds, cocks or hens, 7/6 to 12/6 each; few good pairs, £1, bred from good stock; approval: Barker, Shepherd's Cottages, Long Eaton. (1861)

CHAMPION bred dark Crested variegated hen, Dobby strain, only 6/6, bargain: George Cudley, Linton (Gowts), Long Sutton. (1870)

HIGH CLASS buff Crested cock, 3rd Norwich All-England Show, approval, 15/-; see reports: Garner, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (1862)

C. ROBERTS, the noted breeder champion Crests; few for sale cheap; state wants; approval: Stannahley, Newton-drive, Blackpool. (1862)

SEVERAL Crests and Crest-bred, reasonable, 1914 ring; approval, deposit; stamp, reply: Hardy, Stubbly Mill, Littleborough, Manchester. (1821)

LARGE 1914 Crested and Crest-bred Canaries, Joyce Barnett strain, £1 pair; absolutely healthy: Rev. G. Mullens, Chedzoy, Bridgewater. (1862)

CREST, Crested cocks, hens, all my stock for sale and birdroom requisites; price reasonable: McCall, 4, Albion-rd., West, North Shields. (1864)

NPTICE, grand lot Crests and Crest-bred, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791)

FORTY Crests and C.B.'s for sale, all 1913, 1914 bred, bred from and related to my winners, from 1/6 each: Thos. Berwick, 41, Milton-st., South Shields. (1866)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, very large, best strain in England, 35 years breeder, many good winners sold; cheap, approval: F. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

GREATEST value, some of best quality in England of Crested and Crest-bred Norwich and pure Lancashires; see my list, or state requirements: Rudd, specialist, Norwich. (1862)

CRESTS and Crest-bred, best bred in the world, a few really good pairs and singles to spare at reasonable prices; say price prepared to give; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1853)

EVANS BROTHERS, a grand lot of Crests and Crest-bred to be sold at bargain prices; this champion strain has been at the top for years; enquiries invited; approval: 259, High-st., Exeter. (1865)

MY entire stock of champion Crests to be sold; this strain is well-known, and has produced some of the best living; state requirements; approval; safe delivery guaranteed: Judge, silk, Whitstable. (1855)

CAGE birds, champion strain, I can offer about 30 or 40 of my celebrated strain, at prices to suit all purchasers, either for stock or show purposes; state requirements: Alfred Smith, St. Ives, Chester-rd., Erdington, nr. Birmingham. (1867)

COMPULSORY sale: Owing to the war large dark crested cock 12/6, large dark crested hen 10/6, large crested-bred cock 12/6, large crested-bred hen 7/6; any of these birds guaranteed worth double on approval willingly; deposit: 12, Perry-hill, Southville, Bristol. (1859)

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has some champion Crest and C. Breds for sale, several can win in good company; approval, deposit: 24, Vanghan-rd., Coldharbour-lane, Camberwell. (1853)

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BUFF Plainhead hens 10/-; buff copy hens, 12/-; buff copy cocks, 14/-; on approval: I. Day, Farnham-rd., Bury St. Edmunds. (1870)

ONE buff Lancashire Plainhead hen and one buff copy, fit for exhibition, 6/6 each; approval, deposit: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1869)

Greens.
FEW good Norwich greens, good heads, grand type, several can win; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1830)

NORWICH greens, yellows, and buffs, same mixing as my Manchester winning hen; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (1855)

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SALE, yellow Norwich cocks, 1911, from 10/-: M. Pauling, Toncliffe Vicarage, Thirsk. (1867)

BRAYBROOK can spare well-bred Norwich, prices very moderate: 9, Stanley-st., Brierfield. (1850)

D. DEVOY has a few high-class Norwich for sale, birds from 10/-: 23, George-st., Stranraer. (1855)

TWO clear hens, buff and yellow, both good 1913 birds, 2/6 each: J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (1862)

WHAT offers in cash, six cocks, six hens, and six young, good strain: 22, Heath-st., Chatham-hill. (1869)

WINNERS, cheap to make room, from 15/-; stamp particulars: Parageters, Aviares, Grimsbury, Banbury. (1861)

FEW pairs high-class Norwich for sale, from 15/- pair, to clear; approval: Webb, 22, Frederic-st., Luton. (1867)

COLOUR-FED Norwich hens, 3/6, 4/6; cocks, 6/6 to 8/6: Buckleton, 68, York-avenue, Manley Park, Manchester. (1865)

GRAND Norwich, show or stock birds, champion strain; stamp, approval: Brown, 35, Mutley Plain, Plymouth. (1866)

ONE buff, two yellow Norwich hens, good size, type, 10/- each: W. Shakespear, 233, Kentish Town Road, N.W. (1858)

CLASS Norwich, big birds, unflighted, colour-fed, 8/6 upwards; stamp reply: Blair, Postman, Kippan, Strirling-shire. (1862)

SALE, 8 Norwich cocks, 5/6 each; 4 Norwich hens, 3/- each; good bargains; Common, 108, By Auchinleck, Ayrshire. (1866)

SET of three Norwich, same blood as my winners, price 30/-; approval, deposit: J. Burrows, 43, Camden-st., Walsall. (1864)

SHOW and stock birds, 1913, 14, clear and greens, cheap to clear, stamp reply: Hutton, Ivyhoe, Lambert, Stirling-shire. (1861)

SEE wins Brighton; grand young from these, 10/- upwards; note new address: Ernest Ollie, 3, Linton crescent, Hastings. (1869)

GOOD unflighted Norwich for sale, cocks or hens; inspection invited: J. R. Mitchell, 92, Trafford-st., Farnworth, Bolton. (1867)

BUFF cocks, yellow hens, from 15/- pair; fed ditto, green cocks, 10/6 each; Dysou, 25, Wyndham-rd., Salisbury. (1856)

NORWICH cocks, 4/9, 5/9, 6/9, and 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/- and 5/-; just try one on approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Fortes, N.B. (1866)

LARGE buff cock, 1913, 6/6; yellow cock, 1914, 6/6; yellow Yorks, hen, 2/-; Thompson, Confectioner, 63, Wellington-st., Luton. (1861)

A FEW well-bred Norwich for disposal, cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 5/6, 4/6: H. Burchell, 2, High-rd., Chadwell Heath, Essex. (1867)

HORNLEY, Butcher, Norwich, can spare low grand yellow or buff cocks, plenty of size and quality, 15/- each, hens 10/-; approval. (1863)

NORWICH, 1914, fit for show, also Borders, very low prices; call or approval: David-on, Clydesdale House, Mossend, Scotland. (1837)

GOOD buff stock Norwich cock, cost £2, from Thomas, sell 7/6, deposit or cash; Irving Marlow, Ivyhoe House, Desborough. (1864)

SPECIAL, grand yellow cock, 1st members' show, He Wisbeck, 15/-; approval; see reports: Garner, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (1862)

ONE buff, one yellow unflighted cocks, buff unflighted hen, one buff, one yellow 1913 hens, £2 lot: Gregor, St. Columb, Cornwall. (1861)

GRAND Norwich Canaries for sale, own breeding, cocks 5/-, hens 2/9; yellows or buffs: Ellis Walker, Bargate, Holbrook, nr. Derby. (1860)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, pairs or singles, cheap, seen by appointment; or approval, deposit system: 112, Treadway-st., Hackney-rd., E. (1867)

SMART pair Norwich Canaries in cage, bargain, 10/-; Green Yorkshire cock, variegated hen, 10/-; Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgewater. (1857)

NOTICE—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791)

EDWARD FOX, Breeder champion Norwich, winner at Palace, good birds for sale, cheap: Curzon Aviares, Long Eaton, Nottingham. (1863)

A FEW Norwich, yellow and buff, cocks 7/6 to 25/-, hens 7/6 to 15/-; approval, deposit; stamp reply: Ramsay, 36, Brechin-rd., Arbroath. (1859)

EXHIBITORS, all my winners and stock birds for sale at bargain prices; approval willingly: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1866)

A FEW good Norwich for disposal, also quantity songsters, and feeding hens cheap: A. G. Smith, 42, Carlton-st., Old Trafford, Manchester. (1865)

ROLLER Norwich, strong healthy birds, cold aviary bred; cocks 5/6, 7/6, hens 3/6, 4/6: Hendrick, 58, High-st., Whitechurch, Salop. (1856)

HARLAND'S champion Norwich, have few grand birds for disposal; state wants and price about to give; approval: 63, Welbeck-st., Hull. (1865)

SIX pairs beautiful Norwich Canaries, inspection invited by appointment; 30/-, or would separate: Hobbs, 21, Ashburnham-rd., Greenwich. (1824)

TWO massive Norwich 1914 cocks in song, fit for exhibition, 8/6 each, 4 days approval; deposit: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithybridge, Lancs. (1869)

GOOD Norwich, colour-fed, cocks (singing) from 5/6, hens from 3/-, cold-room bred; no postcards: H. Clemence, 131, Lordship-lane, East Dulwich. (1867)

THREE high-class buff hens, winning strain, 10/6, 8/6, 7/6; or exchange for good typical unflighted yellow hen: J. Cole, 10, Lexington-rd., Ipswich. (1864)

FOUR good Norwich hens, buffs, two clears, two ticked, bred from winners, £1, cash or deposit: Irving, Ivanhoe House, Desborough, Northants. (1864)

NORWICH cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6; singing Canaries, 4/6 each, or 15/- the four; or exchange for cock Rollers: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S. Glasgow. (1865)

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A FEW good Norwich for disposal, closely related to my winners, very moderate prices; approval, deposit: G. A. Harris, 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (1863)

EXHIBITION yellow cock, unflighted, 25/-; buff cock, 15/-; ticked yellow hen, 8/-; buff hen, 20/-; others equally low price, good stuff: Gilling, 19, Hartford-st., Norwich. (1862)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large, grand type, good heads, best strain in England, several winners, 35 years' breeder, cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

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BUFF Norwich cock, £1, 3rd in class 25/-; buff Cinnamon cock, the Leicester, 12/6; yellow cock, £1; hen 15/-; buff hen 10/6; all winners: Walter Gamble, Clydesdale House, South Wigton. (1870)

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A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, offers 2 buff cocks, unflighted, grand monster birds, 50/- and £2 each; yellow hens, unflighted, typical, 30/-; buff hens, beautiful quality, unflighted, 15/- each; a few grand variegated buff cocks, ready for immediate showing. (1864)

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BREED from my winners, suitable for beginners, 7/6 per pair; grand hens from 1/-; bargains: Watson, Croft, Shephed. (1871)

NORWICH to win. C. H. Goodman has some very fine birds of both sexes and colour that can win in good company from 10/6 to 60/-; approval; state requirements to 21, Bedford-rd., Kempston, Bedford. (1870)

LARGE unflighted yellow cock, cheek marked, grand colour, quality, 20/-; large clear buff cock, unflighted, the Luton, 17/6; same strain winners Palace, Oxford, Luton; approval, deposit: Litchfield, Temyson-rd., Luton. (1867)

C. ROBERTS, breeder winning Norwich; large Bull-hunt type cocks, yellows and buffs, can win, from 20/6 each; a special clear yellow cock, show bird, 70/-; stock birds from 10/6; state wants; approval: Stannahley, Newton-drive, Blackpool. (1862)

TWO yellow, one buff unflighted clear cocks, grand type, colour, quality, and well suited for large densely feathered hens, 15/- each; approval; other birds, show and stock, equally as reasonable; write now: E. Allsopp, 40, Beda-rd., Cardiff. (1864)

ABOUT 12 high-class Norwich, natural colour, six four-compartment breeders, joiner-made, sale 35/-; pair; or exchange joiner's tools, paints, varnish, etc.; Norwich are from the best rooms in the West; particulars: Phillips, Decorator, Portishead. (1860)

GREEN marked buff Norwich cock, ran win, roassive head and size, 20/-, with grand yellow hen to match, also winner, 10/-, 27/6 the pair, worth double for stock alone; 6 days' approval, deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1869)

LIVERPOOL winner, strongest class in show, and Manchester novice points; winners bred from my strain, see reports; unflighted cocks, buff marked, 15/-; variegated, 12/6; ditto, 10/-; clear yellow, 10/-; yellow-green, 10/-; others; approval, deposit: Dean, Holmswood, Matlock. (1868)

SOME winners in keenest competition to sell which were reserved for my own showing; winners of upwards of 1,000 prizes at all leading shows; exhibition birds from £1 to £4; stock pairs from 15/- upwards; approval and safe delivery guaranteed: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (1869)

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NORWICH fanciers, note: Two clear buff cocks, 1913-1914, 40/-, 50/- each; two monster yellow ticked 1914 cocks, 30/-, 35/- each; variegated yellow hen, can't be beaten at prices, 1913, 50/-; clear buff hen, beauty, 40/-; to clear, £7 lowest; called up; these are genuine; too cheap for approval; inspection inspection invited: 44, Howard-rd., Mansfield, Notts. (1865)

GRAND Norwich, won at Mablestone last week 6 firsts, 4 seconds, 3 thirds, 8 specials, special best in show; I have several good Norwich to spare, varieg. yellow cock, first at Mablestone, non-fed, £1 1/-; clear yellow cock, third same show, non-fed, £1; two grand pairs at 25/-; several cocks and hens at 10/6; or approval, colour-fed: Lynn, 21, Bower-st., Maidstone, Kent. (1867)

JOHN TRENQOVE AND SON, High-st., Rishton, Blackburn; we have a few choice Norwich to dispose of; approval, stamp; inspection invited, one clear buff cock, bred 1913, show bird, £3. (1867)

J. & J. HOPKINS
have for disposal a few glinking Norwich from their noted John Bull strain, including big fine buff hen, 40/-; splendid yellow cock, 20/-; both fit to win: 126, Bury New-rd., Bolton. (1863)

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7, Rothesay Gardens, Partick, Glasgow, can supply show and stock birds; stamp, particulars; approval, or secy by appointment; at four shows, Oct. 31st to Nov. 7th, 4 cups, gold and silver medals (see Glasgow and West and Brechin Show reports this week). (1862)

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Cock Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, healthy, and in song, with solid brass hanging cage, glass pannelled, and highly finished, 10/6; easy payments taken: Hope's, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bronwich. (1870)

THE NORWICH OF TO-DAY.
A. E. Thorpe, the gold medalist and diploma winner, of 28, Park-grove, Levenshulme, has some high-class Norwich for sale all own breeding, 1913, and unflighted, will send full description and particulars of parents; yellows, buffs, and greens, clears or ticked cocks from 7/6 to 20/-; hens 5/- to 17/6; will match up pairs from 12/6, lovely type and quality; also clear yellow Yorkshire cock, 8/6; and buff hen, 5/-, 1913; approval. (1868)

W. N. MIDGLEY
W. N. Midgley, Chesham House, Winslow, has a most useful lot of Norwich for disposal at reasonable prices. (1864)

PURE NORWICH
Winner of Crystal Palace diploma and silver medal, and London Horticultural Hall diploma, silver rosebowl and gold medals, etc., winning yellows and buffs from 20/-; a few good pairs from 15/- upwards; on approval: N. Leese, 30, Alexandra-rd., Normacot, Staffs. (1848)

H. VALENTINE
Winner of numerous prizes, including 3 1sts and specials, 3 2nds, 3 3rds, special for most points in show, and special for best colour in show; read 12-dford show report; some grand show and stock birds for sale from 7/6 to £2 10/-: 2, St. Mary's, Bedford. (1820)

BUY THE BEST
Bred from birds that won in all leading shows last year; cocks, grand size, big head, fine quality; hens of exquisite type, from 10/- upward; pairs matched from 15/-; approval: Rev. Nune, Harrington, Camberland. (1848)

J. HAYHURST, NORWICH
has supplied winners this season: large buff cock, 20/- to 30/-; also yellow and buff hens, 15/- to 20/-; approval, stamp: 217, Branshow-rd., Burnley. (1865)

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BREEDER'S CARD.
ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913. (1870)

WANTED, Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. (1871)

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing, 3, two 5/-; Lloyd, Aviares, Dorseton, Swansea. (1869)

GLUCKE and water glucke cocks, from 7/6 upwards; also hens: Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldesley. (1815)

ROLLER cocks, 3/6, 4/9 and 5/9; hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Fortes, N.B. (1866)

CHAMPION 1914 rocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dowsbury. (1862)

ROLLERS, on 1913 1st, 1914 4/6, cocks, singing; box cage, 9d.; Bent, 97, Hamilton-st., Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1863)

PURE Randall's hollow roll strain, cocks 10/-, 1/6, 15/-, £1, hens 5/-; cash or deposit: Charles Smith, 295, Boulevard, Hull. (1864)

1914 BRED British Rollers, full song, cold room, cocks 7/-, pairs 10/-; approval: Knowles, 39, Princess-st., Dukinfield. (1860)

GRAND young cocks, Seifert Rollers, in full song, 7/6 and upwards; approval: A. Bennett, Shelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derby. (1863)

DEEP Water-Glucke Rollers, winning strain, cocks from 10/6, hens from 3/6; approval: Parker, 5, Gladys-rd., Bearwood, Birmingham. (1870)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Kremer strain, cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; approval; inspection invited: G. Grimditch, 58, Church-st., Dukinfield. (1852)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens from 3/6; approval willingly: Davy, Shelston Gardens, Ashbourne. (1861)

NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

GOLD medal, Crystal Palace, 1914, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung; hens, 5/-; exchange Roller show cages; others: King, 89, Vork-st., Cambridge. (1864)

HIGH-CLASS water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens 4/-; inspection invited; approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1864)

GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers, young cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens same strain, 5/6; 7 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Great Harwood. (1870)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1815)

ROLLER Canaries, bred off B.R.C.C. stock, full song, cold-room bred, cocks 7/6 and 10/6, hens 2/6; approval, deposit: Davies, 18, Crown Hill-st., Stourbridge. (1862)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Water Glucke Rollers, Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-; approval, deposit: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (1869)

CONTEST Rollers, winning strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 5/-; pairs, 15/-; approval: Hawkes, Regent-st., Wellingborough. Member B.R.C.C. (1864)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's, highly trained cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 3/-; pairs selected; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1860)

GLUCKE Roller cocks, 1914, Roller Club rung, 10/- to 12/6 each; few extra deep Glucke cocks, 20/-; Tomlinson's strain; approval, deposit: Macready, Jeweller, Stranraer. (1868)

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CLEAR yellow stock cock, nest brother 1st Manchester, 15/-; S. S. Wright, 113, Whit-lane, Pendleton, Manchester. (1862)

YORKSHIRES, yellow cocks, 7/6, buff 6/6, yellow and buff hens 4/6, 5/6; Jeffrey Pass, Quick Close, Melbourne, Derby. (1849)

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MUST sell, eight Yorkshires, one Norwich, and Sib hen, Greenfinch and Bullfinch, lot £3 5s., or nearest offer; approval, or sell separate: Greaves, 51, Edward-st., Mardy. (1865)

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GRAND Yorkshires for stock or show, same strain as my winners at all leading shows; cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/6, pairs 8/6 upwards; state wants, approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1869)

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WANTED, Mules, both sexes: Pearson, Greenwich. (1864)

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THREE dark cock Goldfinch Mules, Goldfinch song, used catching, 5/- each, 14/- lot: Alfred Spicer, Chesham, Bucks. (1863)

FOR sale, four Goldfinch Mules, 41 each; also two 10/- each; worth double: A. Moodie, Black Horse Inn, Creetown. (1850)

TWO 1914 cock Goldfinch Mules, singing nicely, 5/-, or 9/- two; approval, deposit: T. Jenkins, 37, Pottery-st., Llanelli. (1859)

LARGE cock Linnet Mule, cock Goldfinch Mule, 6/6 each, both singing, cash or "C.B." deposit: Wilson, 68, Allen-st., Maidstone. (1866)

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TWO Goldfinch Mules, 1914, Goldfinch song, h.m. Chevered Goldfinch, Sib yellow hen, parents of above, what offers: Walker, 6, Lambert-ter., Aberdare, (1861)

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YELLOW 1914 cocks Siskin Mule, 4/6; Hawfinch show cage, 2/6; Bullfinch and Goldfinch show cages, 1/6 each; approval: Davies, 412, Station-rd., Winstford, Cheshire. (1862)

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Club Reports.

RUNCORN B.B.A.

Meeting, headquarters, Nov. 10th. Mr. Guy chair, before a large attendance. Two new members were made. Messrs. Farrall and Helsby. Decided to have a meeting on Nov. 20th, to arrange for stewardship and other show business.—E. Rom, Sec.

ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting, Oct. 24, Mr. Cresswell chair. A good turn up of members got through a deal of business. Mr. T. Dixon, of Bedlington, will judge annual show, Dec. 12. Open Linné class, 1s. per cage. Prizes: 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Entries till day of show. Give us a good entry. W. Thompson.

LEEDS ROLLER C.C.

Meeting, Nov. 7, Lockhart's, 55, Brigat. Mr. Walton chair. Arrangements were made for member's show, Nov. 14, when members' challenge cup will be competed for. We have received a very good entry. Judges, Mr. Walton, Leeds, and Mr. Roebuck, Wakefield, being all that could be desired. We are looking for a successful time. Visitors and old friends heartily welcome; open at 6—11. Best, Sec.

OPEN NORWICH P.C.

The following societies have accepted our patronage: Accrington and Dis. C.B.S., Nov. 14; Halifax O.S., Nov. 20, 21; L.C.B.A., Nov. 26, 27, 28; City of Birmingham C.B.S., Dec. 2, 3; Huddersfield O.S., Dec. 12; Scottish National C.B.S., Dec. 31; January 1st; Doncaster C.B.S., January 9. I hope members will give their heartiest support to these shows. All club specials, cups, bowls, etc., are now in full competition. Subs. are now considerably overdue; please attend to this important item. T. Rhodes, Sec.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Meeting, Spencer Hall, Oct. 26, Mr. W. Shakespeare chair. The programme for the evening was a washing demonstration by Mr. W. Knight, and a competition, several members competing for the medals given by the society. Mr. Knight awarded Mr. W. Shakespeare the champion medal, and Mr. P. Johnston the novice. Afterwards Mr. Knight gave a splendid demonstration, describing the best methods of procedure which proved most instructive and interesting. Votes of thanks to Mr. Knight for entertaining us and to Mr. Shakespeare for presiding were passed unanimously. J. Hyde, Hon. Sec.

HOUGHTON-LE-SPRING C.B.S.

Meeting Oct. 31, Davison's Temperance Hotel, with a fair number present. Business relating to annual show Nov. 28 at Queen's Head, Sunderland-street, was gone into. Mr. Wm. Reid, Pallion, will judge. We have changed our headquarters to the Queen's Head, this being unavoidable; in future meetings will be notified at the above. We have also decided to run our show on a reduced entry fee owing to the slack times caused through the war, and have the same classification as last year. So, members, rally up at next meeting, Nov. 21, with a bumper entry, and make our annual show a great success.—R. H. Dixon, Sec.

DERWENT VALLEY C.B.S.

Meeting Nov. 7, Co-operative Hall, Low Weetwood, Mr. Geo. Barkes chair. Two new members were elected—Mr. Theo. Robinson and Mr. R. Campbell. We shall hold a meeting Nov. 21 (a week before annual show), when we shall expect all members to bring their entries. Members who cannot see their way clear to attend may send their entries, when we shall accept them up to Nov. 23; no entries will be taken after. Will members try and get as many specials as possible and bring same to next meeting? Trusting everyone will make as many entries as possible and try to make the show a success. Subs. must be paid in full before members allowed to compete.—Jameson and Johnson

BRIDLINGTON, DRIFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, Nov. 3, 20, Prospect Street, to make final arrangements for members' show, Nov. 19, in the "Mart." Owing to the great war cloud hanging over our land, we decided not to hold an open show, but to keep up the interest of the Fancy a members' show will be held this year, and each one desires to make this a great success, and of interest to the district, and will not spare time or birds in so doing. There will be five classes for Yorks., buff nlf., yell. nlf., ditto flighted, and hen any age, any col.; five classes Norwich, same as Yorks.; two Brit., and one Mule or Ilyb. This latter class has been guaranteed by F. E. Brown, Esq. The entrance fee is 6d., prize-money 3s., 2s., and 1s., on sliding scale if less than 12 entries in class. An extra class (songsters and cages) has been added, which will be of great interest to visitors. The exhibits in this class are given by the members, to be sold by auction at close of show, and all money realised will be given to the relief of the Belgium refugees now abiding in the district. There is no entrance fee, and the class will not be awarded any prize cards, so as to effect the sale in any way. Anyone wishing to give a songster or cage, please inform sec. Two new members are added, and one proposed. We have a few more vacant chairs.—J. Chadwick, Hon. Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Special general meeting, Crown Hotel, Hill Street, November 4, to consider a proposal of the chairman and vice-chairman to rescind the resolution passed at the previous meeting, fixing open show prize-money on the sliding scale, and to offer fixed prize-money as last year. It was explained to the members that since the show season opened, those societies holding shows had grand support, and from information volunteered from other sources, it was thought we should be making a mistake if we adhered to the sliding scale. There was a large attendance, but the proposition was carried with only one dissentient. The Chairman asked for special prizes, and there was a hearty response. The committee will meet Nov. 11 to allot same. Secretary was instructed to ask Mr. J. H. Roe to judge, in addition to Mr. Robson. Agreed to accept the offer of the O.N.P.C.C. patronage at our show, the society accepting their ruling as to definition of an amateur, although not in accordance with our rule. Letters were read from gentlemen approached to judge Roller Canaries at the show on Dec. 10th, and Mr. Tomlinson was elected. A few good special prizes were promised, which we hope will shortly be increased. In response to a question regarding inter-club competition from one of the members, it was explained that the secretary wrote West Bromwich Society under a misapprehension, as it was understood Wolverhampton Society was not holding a show.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

General meeting, Nov. 2, Mr. Washer chair. The following were elected stewards at the forthcoming show: Messrs. A. G. Washer, S. White, G. J. Slade, and P. Snellgrove. Members requiring tickets for sale should apply to the secretary.—W. L. Page.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting Nov. 5, Shields Cafe, Mr. Crawhall chair. Correspondence read from our old friend Jam. Craig, who is at the front, Cage Buns, and Messrs. J. Murton, Dixon and Reid. Mr. Hyslop was elected a member, and Mr. Laidlaw appointed show manager for show Nov. 14, Co-operative Hall. Decided to charge 3d. for catalogues not marked; if marked, 6d. Mr. Crawhall gave a washing exhibition, which was greatly appreciated. J. W. Reed, Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Meeting Nov. 2, St. John's Hall, Richmond, Mr. Phipps presiding over a good attendance. Two new members were elected—Messrs. E. Randall and E. Birch. We have had to abandon annual show owing to finances, but are arranging an evening show to take its place. Meeting for same to be held on Nov. 23, at headquarters. Many subs. are now due, and may be paid to the chairman or myself. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to chair.—Geo. Birch.

ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

Special meeting Queen's Hotel, Oct. 30, Mr. E. J. Parry chair. An address was given by W. T. Conch, for which members gave their best thanks. Decided to add three Border Fancy classes to our annual show schedule; the committee ask that Border fanciers will give us their best support. In order to help the relief fund members decided to give a number of birds to be sold by auction on the evening of show and give the full money to the Relief Fund. We have a 10s. cash special for best bird in show, also a number of other specials.—F. Sweeting.

ROSSENDALE ROLLER C.S.

Meeting, Nov. 3, final arrangements were made for annual singing contest, Nov. 20 and 21. Mr. Hesling, Wakefield, will judge champion young birds; Mr. J. Tomlinson, Newcastle, novice young birds, and Mr. G. Waring, Bury, amateurs any age and champion any age. Entries will be extended up to Nov. 16. We invite all Roller fanciers to send us some entries. Schedule: Champ. young birds, prizes 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; also in novice young birds, open any age, and amateurs any age. Numerous specials in every class. H. Wantling, Hon. Sec.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Special meeting Nov. 9, Mr. Allsopp presided. The meeting was called to discuss the Welsh National Society, also the advisability of altering our members' show to open radius show. After Mr. E. J. Banks had presented the case of the Welsh National C.B.S. it was unanimously agreed that the Cardiff Society become affiliated. A long discussion took place re our show, and it was finally agreed that we hold a radius show, with prize-money on the sliding scale. We shall not be holding another meeting this month; if any member can act as steward at the show please let me know.—E. Thomas, 48, Craddock-street, Cardiff.

NORTHERN CREST CLUB.

Having had correspondence with the Sec. of Gateshead C.B.S. in regard to having two extra classes put on to suit our cup patronage, they have agreed to put them on for us, so our full cup patronage will be given to them; there will be three silver cups for competition best bird, best young Crest, and best young Crested, a gold medal to go with each cup, besides medal for best bird in each old class, and a silver medal for best young birds in the tickets after the winner. Gateshead C.B.S. show will be held Dec. 19, and we hope Crested fanciers will send a bumper entry.—Geo. Dobson, Sec.

NORTHERN NORWICH P.C.

Meeting Oct. 28, Mr. W. Curry presided over a good company. Mr. C. Wake Walker elected a member. Decided that young bird challenge cup be competed for at Gateshead show Dec. 19, and to give two silver spoons—one champ., one novice—for most points three highest birds, also a 5s. special given by Mr. E. Hemmerson for best young bird bred by a novice. Table show was held, five classes each section, judge Mr. T. C. Crawhall.

ANY COL. CK.: 1, Laidlaw; 2, Hemmerson; 3, Wellsbury; vhc, c, Morrison; he, Holden. HEN: 1, 2, Holden; 3, Curry; vhc, Morrison. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Wellsbury; 3, Holden; vhc, Morrison. BUFF: 1, 2, Holden; 3, Curry. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, 3, he, Morrison; 2, Richardson; vhc, Wellsbury; c, Laidlaw. NOV., ANY COL. CK.: 1, 2, Richardson; HEN: 1, 2, Wood; 3, Richardson. UNFLIG. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Wood. Thanks were given Mr. Crawhall for coming to judge. Next meeting and another table show Nov. 18, judge Mr. A. Hermiston. Subs. now due.—F. W. Laidlaw, Sec.

NEWTONGRANGE C.B.S.

At the recent meeting, the Sec., Mr. Wm. Bryson, intimated his resignation, as he had enlisted in the 8th Royal Scots. The resignation was received with regret. The President and all the members spoke in laudatory terms of the good work Mr. Bryson had done, and trusted he would soon rejoin. Unanimously resolved to relinquish the services of Mr. John Nelson, 85, Dean Park, Newtongrange, as sec. It was the feeling of the committee that we should hold the annual show on Dec. 19, but before a definite decision could be arrived at it was agreed to ask the Sec. to write the Hon. President, John Callender, Esq., for a donation, as it was deemed inadvisable to approach the general public in the present crisis. Eight new members were placed on the working committee, and an honorary committee was drawn up, the President and Secretary being given powers to add to their number. Sec. was instructed to write fanciers for specials. Replies from judges were read accepting their positions. They are Messrs. James Calderwood (Kilnarnock), Norwich; James Mason (Peebles), British; and B. Douglas (Loanhead), Borders. Sec. was instructed to write Cage Birns about our advertisement, to ask the local printers for estimates for schedule and catalogue, and to engage the hall and make arrangements about staging. Decided to alter or make addition to the classification at next meeting. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the President.—A. M. Gardiner.

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31 Classes, 1/6 entry. Schedules from Mr. H. Clegg, 15, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax. Show room, Friendly and Trades' Hall, Halifax. Entries close November 17th. See Review of Schedule in this week's issue.

GLASGOW & DISTRICT C.B.A.

GREAT OPEN SHOW, NOV. 20th & 21st.

Union Hall, West Nile Street, Glasgow (directly opposite West Regent Street). Judges: Messrs. Sloan, Chalmers, Hyslop, Hoggie, Raine, and Gentleman. Patronage of most Specialist Clubs. 75 Classes. Prize Money, 30/- per class. Entry fee, 2/-. Entries close Monday, 16th. Be British and support us. Schedules from: W. Hutchison, 163, Hospital Street, Glasgow.

BRADFORD NATIONAL

(In aid of the Cinderella Club Funds),
November 21st, 1914.

Fourth Annual Show (Open to the World) in the Drummond Road Council School. Under the patronage and ruling of the Yorkshire Union, Y.C.C., G.M.Y.C.C., C.M.Y.C.C., and the Green C.A.

Entries close Tuesday, November 17. Entrance fee 1/6. Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-; also Cup for best Yorks., and Valuable Specials, including one value a guinea for most points by an exhibitor outside Yorkshire. Full list of specials will appear in catalogue.

CLASSIFICATION OPEN YORKSHIRES.

(Judges: Mr. P. Mason, all even numbers; Mr. H. Sutcliffe, odd.)

Class 1—Clear, Invisible, or Thigh Tkd. Yell.; 2—Clear, Invisible, or Thigh Tkd. Buff; 3—Tkd. Yell., Discernible Tick or Mark; 4—Tkd. Buff, Discernible Tick or Mark; 5—Clear or Tkd. Yell. Hen; 6—Clear or Tkd. Buff Hen; 7—Unflighted Yell., Any Variety; 8—Unflighted Buff, Any Variety; 9—Unflighted Yell. Hen, Any Variety; 10—Unflighted Buff Hen, Any Variety; 11—Yorkshire Stock Bird Open (Cock), Any Variety, must exceed six and three quarter inches in length; 12—Yorkshire Stock Bird (Cock), Any Variety, limit 43, must exceed six and three-quarter inches in length; 13—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Yell.; 14—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Buff; 15—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Yell. Hen; 16—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Buff Hen; 17—Cinnamon, Tkd. or Variegated Yell.; 18—Cinnamon, Tkd. or Variegated Buff; 19—Cinnamon, Tkd. or Variegated Yell. Hen; 20—Cinnamon, Tkd. or Variegated Buff Hen.

GREEN YORKSHIRE CLASSES.

(Under Patronage of the Green Canary Association.)

Class 21—Self or Foul, Non-colour Fed; 22—Self or Foul, Buff, Non-colour Fed; 23—Self or Foul, Yell. Hen, Non-colour Fed; 24—Self or Foul, Buff Hen, Non-colour Fed.

SELLING.

(Judge: Mr. R. Halliday, 25 to 31.)
Class 25—Selling, Yell. Yorkshire, Bird and Cage, 41; 26—Selling, Buff Yorkshire, Bird and Cage, 15s.; 27—Selling, Yellow or Buff Yorkshire Hen, Bird and Cage, 12s. 6d.

OPEN YORKSHIRE NOVICES.

Class 28—Yellow, Any Variety; 29—Buff, Any Variety; 30—Yell. Hen, Any Variety; 31—Buff Hen, Any Variety.

NOVICE CLASSES (Limit £5 5s.)

(Confined to Members of the Yorkshire Union. See Rules. Judge: Mr. W. Mundell, 32 to 48.)

Class 32—Clear or Tkd. Yell. Yorkshire; 33—Clear or Tkd. Buff Yorkshire; 34—Clear or Tkd. Yell. Yorkshire Hen; 35—Clear or Tkd. Buff Yorkshire Hen; 36—Unflighted Yell. Yorkshire, Any Variety; 37—Unflighted Buff Yorkshire, Any Variety; 38—Unflighted Yell. Yorkshire Hen, Any Variety; 39—Unflighted Buff Yorkshire Hen, Any Variety; 40—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Yell. or Buff Yorks.; 41—Even, Uneven, or Heavily Variegated Yellow or Buff Yorks. Hen; 42—Any Variety, Yellow or Buff Norwich Cock; 43—Any Variety, Yellow or Buff Norwich Hen.

NOTE.—Cinnamon Ticked or Marked Birds are eligible in the Y.U. Novice Classes.

BRITISH BIRDS AND HYBRIDS.

Class 44—Goldfinch or Bullfinch (British); 45—Linné, Siskin, Redpoll, or Twite (British); 46—Any Other Variety Hardbill or Softbill, not previously mentioned, bird of prey excluded; 47—Any Variety of Canary Mule, Dark, except Canary-Bullfinch; 48—Any Variety of British Hybrid, bred from two British birds, including Canary-Bullfinch and Light Mule.

Entries taken at the Market Tavern on Tuesday, November 17, from 7.30 to 11.
Or address to Sam Midgley, Hon. Sec., 10, Victoria Street, Clayton, Bradford, Yorkshire.

NEWCASTLE

Ninth Annual Show, Nov. 14th, Co-operative Hall, Darn Crook, Newgate Street. Show closes 3.30 p.m.

SOUTH LONDON

Col. and F.A. 40th Annual Show, Thurs. Nov. 19th, The Baths, Old Kent Road, S.E. Open 2 till 10. Admission 6d. Tickets, etc.: Geo. Burton, 126, Lee Rd., Lee Green, S.E. (1865)

Glasgow (West End) C.B.C. still going strong. Fifth Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British, and Foreign Birds, in Co-op. Hall, St. George's Cross, on Saturday, Nov. 21. Doors open 1 to 6 p.m. Admission, 6d.—Wm. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas., 145, Henderson St., Glasgow.

CARDIFF C.B.S.

Nov. 25th, One-day Radius Show, 40 Classes. Judge, J. Robson, Esq.—E. Thomas, Sec., 45, Craddock Street.

Provincial Roller Canary Club Seventh Annual Open Contest at the Old Boar's Hotel, Corporation Street, Manchester, Nov. 27th and 28th. Good Prize Money and Specials. Schedules now ready.—Andrew Percival, Smithy Bridge, nr. Rochdale.

SALE & Dist. C.B.S.

The 6th Annual Open Show will be held on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 27 and 28, in the Technical Schools, Sale. Judges: Messrs. C. A. House and A. Hirst. 42 Open Classes, 10 Novice Classes. Schedules from: G. F. Hardcastle, 202, Cross Street, Sale.

Hayle Show

NOVEMBER 23rd.
In aid of War Relief Funds. Please send for your Schedule of the above show. Prize Money, 6/-, 4/-, 2/-, 1/-; entry fee 1/-. Special every class. Judge, C. H. Toy, Esq. The only chance to show your exhibits in the West for this year. Send to-day to: A. T. Coombs, Hon. Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Open Show, Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 2 and 3. 47 Classes (as last year). 10/-, 5/-, 2/6 for 1/6 entry. Judges: J. Robson, Esq., and J. H. Roe, Esq. Schedule ready shortly.—J. H. Jones, Hon. Sec., 211, Park Road, Aston, Birmingham. (1864)

ABERSYCHAN

and District C.B.S. 3rd Annual Show will be held December 3, in Co-operative Hall. Judge, H. W. Batty. Schedules from: F. Sweeting, 22, Caradox Street, Pentwyn, Abersychan, nr. Pontypool.

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All matter intended for publication must be written or typed on one side of paper only.

Twitterings.

The show of the Hamilton, Cadzow Oak U.B.S., arranged for November 14, has been postponed.

We have abandoned our show this year, writes Mr. W. A. Broadley, Hon. Sec. Warwick C.B.S.

In Broken-cap Silver Lizards at Manchester N.F.O.S., A. Bradley won 2nd, not Blamer as reported.

Allow me to congratulate Mr. T. H. Smyth, the sec. of Ulster O.A., on the quick dispatch of birds and prompt payment of prize-money, writes Mr. C. A. O'Reilly.

I am clearing all my stock, cages, etc., as I have not the time to look after them properly, although I am sorry to part with them, writes Mr. W. J. Baker (Norwich).

We have a total of over 370 entries at the annual show this week-end, which, personally, I think very good considering all things, writes Mr. V. Wynn, hon. sec. City and Suburban A.C.B.

OBITUARY.

MR. H. G. ATTRIDGE.

It is with great regret I have to chronicle the death of Mr. H. G. Attridge on Nov. 4, after four years' patient suffering, writes Mr. John Tyson. Personally I do not favour the usual practice of eulogising the labours of any man after he has gone; much better speak of him as his services deserve during his lifetime, so that he may at any rate pass away in the knowledge that his labours were appreciated. Here has passed one of the very first members of the L.C.B.A. (one with whom I worked for over 20 years), a member who expended considerable time in the interests of the Association in particular, and the Fancy in general. He was joint secretary of the L.C.B.A. when they held their first open show at the Royal Aquarium, and until the break down in his health attended assiduously to the staging and wants of the exhibits at every subsequent open show. One or two nights' rest were nothing for him to sacrifice for the comfort and well-being of the birds; yet he has gone without any tangible appreciation or recognition for the many services he rendered to the Fancy, especially in London. To his sorrowing widow and only son I tender my sincere sympathy, which will be shared by all with whom he came in contact. In view of my opinion, I have purposely avoided allusion to his many achievements; suffice it to say that he was a "jolly good fellow," a very hard worker, and one of "The Old Brigade."

Prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone overlooked should apply to the respective hon. secs.: Muirkirk, Ulster, East Lothian C.B.S., Manchester and N.C.O.S., Brechin.

Through a printer's error, writes Mr. A. Smith, the foreign bird class was omitted from the schedule of the Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S. It should read: "Class 47, any variety foreign." Schedules are now ready; anyone overlooked should apply to the secs., A. Smith, Lynn Croft, Eastwood, and G. Lees, Thompson Street, Langley Mill.

The Boscombe and Dis. F.A.'s third annual show (this year members only owing to war) is to be held in the Curzon Hall, Curzon Road, Bournemouth, writes Mr. E. T. Haines, the hon. sec., on Nov. 18th, 2 to 10 p.m., judge, Mr. W. Hayson (Southampton). We hope the fanciers in Boscombe will rally round and make 1914 our most successful season.

Our Halifax Show is being held on the dates (Nov. 20 and 21) originally arranged, writes Mr. H. Clegg, the sec., and it is no fault of the Halifax O.S. that the show clashes with the Bradford National Show on the Saturday. If you think fit to mention this, I shall be pleased, as it seems a pity for two big shows to clash, when so many dates are vacant owing to the war. Schedules of Halifax Show have been posted; will anyone overlooked kindly apply at once.

I heartily thank all the exhibitors for their support, writes Mr. J. Crabb, the sec. of Brechin Show.

The City and Suburban A.C.B. is one of the societies doing their little bit towards carrying on "Business as Usual," and their annual show held to-day and to-morrow (Friday and Saturday) at the Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., Marylebone (just round the corner from Baker St.) offers London fanciers a welcome opportunity of getting their minds off the war for a few hours. Such a chance of recreation should not be missed.—(Advt.)

A £6 10s. Hen.

I have sold my buff Norwich hen, first at Oxford show, for £6 10s., to a gentleman at Newcastle-on-Tyne, writes Mr. A. Lovegrove, Henley.

Good News on Tyneside.

Fanciers generally, and those on Tyneside and in the North in particular, will welcome the news that Gateshead C.B.S. is holding an open show on Dec. 19. The officials intend to do their very best to merit a record entry.

Patriotic Fanciers at Bute.

We have been informed that the Bute Fanciers' Association are going on with their annual show; all profits to go to the British Red Cross Society's Funds. They have engaged Mr. W. Connelly (Glasgow) to judge the cage birds, and he is handing over his fee to that fund.

Pontypridd Will Not Cancel.

Pontypridd fanciers have decided to hold their show on January 6th, and devote the profits, if any, to the Red Cross Fund. This will be good news to the Fancy in S. Wales, as Pontypridd had been announced amongst those which were to be missing this season. Mr. C. A. House will again judge.

Changes of Address.

Mr. J. H. Jones, hon. sec. City of Birmingham C.B.S., has removed from Church Lane to 211, Park Rd., Aston, B'ham. Mr. W. B. Watkins, hon. sec. Tredegar C.B.S., from Whitworth Terr. to 63, High St., Tredegar. Mr. W. Hutchison, sec. Glasgow C.B.A., from 163 to 167, Hospital St., Glasgow.

STILL THEY COME!

Record entries continue to cause the cup of happiness of show secretaries to brim right over.

Last week-end, as will be seen from our reports, practically every big fixture broke its own record—England, Scotland, and Ireland all being represented, namely, by the Leicester, Brechin, and Belfast exhibitions.

Further, we hear that at least two of the shows being held this week, Reading and Old Shildon, have surpassed previous bests.

The Reading secretary writes: Glad to report we have a record entry. Hope fanciers will "keep the pot boiling," and make it likewise for other societies.

The Old Shildon secretary writes: "Thanks to CAGE BIRDS we have a record entry, including birds from the best exhibitors."

Cardiff's Commendable Course.

It was unanimously decided at a special meeting of Cardiff C.B.S., writes Mr. E. J. Davies, that we hold a 50-mile rail distance show instead of a members' on November 28th. We have arranged with the railway companies to have all birds dispatched in time to reach their destinations same night. We trust all fanciers within the radius will give us full support.

A Correction.

By the misplacement of a comma, our printer gave a somewhat absurd meaning to one of the last week's advertisements of Mr. W. Rudd, the well-known bird specialist, of Norwich. His offer of songsters should have read: "Extra large hatched, and caged off singly" (not with the comma after large).

A Judge "Held Up."

After judging the Belfast Show last week-end, writes Mr. C. A. House, I wondered if I was getting back to England again at all. The naval powers held our boat up for nine hours; thus I had a twenty-four hours' journey. No one knew why we were held up, but there were all kinds of rumours—mines, Germans, etc.! 'Twas Saturday, and neither of the English or Scotch boats was allowed beyond the mouth of the harbour till Sunday morning.

Sale in Luck's Way.

I am pleased to inform you that Mr. W. Proctor-Pearson has given to the Sale Society a solid silver champagne cup, to be won outright, at our show on November 27 and 28, by the member showing the best bird, writes Mr. H. Whitney, the Ass't. Sec. Anyone by paying a subscription of 4s. by the next meeting night will be able to compete for this handsome trophy. Mr. C. A. House has been engaged to judge in the unavoidable absence of Mr. Bronskill. We hope exhibitors will rally round us and help to keep up the records of Liverpool and Manchester.

The Exhibitors Opportunity.

Wanted, a Wonderful Show.

Benefit the Red Cross Society;
Benefit Your Hobby; And Reward
Hard Work and Pluck.

THE London Cage Bird Association has done many excellent things in its long and honourable career to merit the goodwill and admiration of the Cage Bird Fancy, but we venture to think that fanciers will agree with us when we say that nothing attempted in the past excels the good work its members are undertaking this year—we refer, of course, to the Great Show due on the 26th, 27th, and 28th of the present month.

The difficulties and alarms into which the Cage Bird Fancy was plunged owing to the unfortunate outbreak of war, need not be dwelt on—bird-lovers know only too well how sorely their hobby, and its exhibition side in particular, has been hit. Not that bird-lovers have borne up other than with commendable pluck; they have done surprisingly well.

To go on with a fixture of the magnitude of the Horticultural Hall Show, involving a certain outlay, and possible loss, of some scores of pounds, required, however, in the early part of the season a faith far above the ordinary. All the greater credit, then, to the L.C.B.A. that they decided on "business as usual."

And in this credit the National British Bird and Mule Club and the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League equally share, for they have in the most sportsmanlike manner come to the aid of the L.C.B.A. by undertaking to divide the responsibilities. In this way it has been made possible for the Cage Bird Fancy to have its great Autumn Show in London—a show the loss of which would have been severely felt, for it has gained a great reputation as a practically ideal exhibition, while its educative influence on the general public is undoubtedly very considerable, a factor, this, of the greatest moment to the welfare of our hobby.

This Horticultural Hall Show, then, deserves well of the Fancy. And we strongly appeal to the Fancy to accord it record support this year. If further incentive be needed, then the fact that any profit made will go to the funds of the Red Cross Society should supply it.

The management is in the able hands of the "old war-horse," Mr. John Tyson, whose activities have done so much, and in so many directions, for the Fancy. Nothing that experience and foresight can suggest will be left undone to ensure the safe collection and dispatch of exhibits, while well-known experts cater for the different varieties while they remain in the hall, and the quality of the seeds and foods is guaranteed by the fact that Messrs. Trower and Co., supply them.

Further, every penny of the prize-money is fully guaranteed, in the Canary section by the L.C.B.A., in the Hybrid and British sections by the N.B.B. and M.C., and in the Foreign section by the F.B.E.L.

As to the merits of the classification, our review of the schedule given below will speak. It is excellent at all points; and special classes for novice exhibitors have not been forgotten. The list of special prizes, too, is very good. Copies of the schedule should be written for at once to Mr. Tyson, at 169, Sloane St., London, S.W., and the entry form therein should be filled and returned to him by Wednesday next, Nov. 18th, at latest.

Let it be a bumper entry, fanciers. The officials have had great difficulties to contend with, and neither of the three promoting societies can reap, nor wishes to, one penny of pecuniary benefit from the show—you can reward them by providing a record collection of birds for the public to see, so that the gate-money may produce a nice little sum to hand over to the Red Cross fund.

It is especially asked that owners of Foreign and British birds will help; the hall is ideal for housing them, and it is these sections that the general public find peculiarly attractive.

REVIEW OF THE SCHEDULE OF THE HORTICULTURAL SHOW.

The magnificent schedule, despite the altered circumstances, is much on the same generous lines as last year, and maintains the features which were then so noticeable. The prizes are very liberal, being 10/-, 6/-, 3/-, 2/6, 2/-, 1/6 and 1/- for a fee of 2/-, and all prize-money in every class is guaranteed, the L.C.B.A. being responsible for the Canary section, the National British Bird and M.C. for the British and Hybrids, while the Foreign section is under the auspices of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League.

Yorks. have 7 champ., 7 nov., 4 Greens and 1 limit (30/-) classes. Mr. F. Easterling judging the champions, and Mr. R. L. Crisp, the remainder. Lancashire 4, Crests 7 (1 Nov., 1 Limit £3), C.B. 7 (1 Nov., 1 Limit £2), Cinnamons 2, Lizards 7, A.O.V. 1, Mr. J. Robson judge. Borders 32 £2 Greens, 3 Nov.) judge Mr. D. Jenkins. Norwich Plainheads 8 champions, judge Mr. E. J. Rippon, 6 Novice, and 1 Limit (30/-), judge Mr. A. W. Curtis.

Open British have 22 classes. In Finches and Buntings Mr. C. Prior judges even numbers, and Mr. A. Silver the odd numbers, while of the insectivorous classes Mr. Silver takes the even numbers, and Mr. J. Robson the odd. There are 4 Novice British classes, judge Mr. A. J. Marley.

In Hybrids there are 10 classes, one being for pairs matched for breeding; judge Mr. J. Robson.

Continental birds have a class provided for them, after a lapse of some years. The Foreign section contains 31 classes, the same wonderful classification as last year, the prizes being 12/-, 6/-, 4/-, 3/-, 2/-, 1/6, and 1/- for a fee of 2/-. This section is organised, and the prizes guaranteed by the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League; judges are Messrs. D. Seth Smith, R. J. Watts, and H. D. Astley.

Two selling and 4 stock classes, judges Messrs. Mason, Davies, and Tyson, and numerous members' classes make up the grand total of 190 classes. Besides the liberal prize money, no less than 271 specials are offered, including a two guinea silver cup presented by Mrs. Warren Vernon, and to be won outright, for the best small non-fed insectivorous bird.

Entries close Nov. 16, and should be made to Mr. J. Tyson, show manager, 169, Sloane St., London, S.W.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Halifax O.S. (Yorks). Friendly and Trades' Hall, St. James's Road, Nov. 20-21. Judges: W. Mundell, W. Vardy. 31 classes: Yorks. 16 (6 Nov., 2 Gr., 3 Nov. Gr.), Nor. 10 (4 Nov.), Brit. 3, Sell. 2. Prizes, 10/-, 6/-, 4/-, 3/-, 2/-, 1/6, 1/-, 1/2. Ent. close Nov. 17, to H. Clegg, 15, Melrose Street, Lee Mount, Halifax.

Glasgow C.B.A.—Union Hall, W. Nile Street, Nov. 20-21. Judges: A. Chalmers, A. Sloan, G. Hyslop, R. Heggie, R. V. Raine, J. Gentleman. 75 classes: Nor. 20 (2 Nov., 2 Sell.), Crests 5 (1 Sell.), Bird 10 (1 Sell.), Yorks. 10 (1 Sell.), A.O.V. 1, Mules 7 (1 Sell.), Brit. 19 (1 Sell.), For. 3. Prizes, 12/-, 8/-, 5/-, 2/-, 2s. Fee 2s. Ent. close Nov. 16, to W. Hutchison, 167, Hospital Street.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

First members' sing, Nov. 7, George and Dragon, Bridge Street. 1, Liversidge; 2, Morley; 3, Williams. Open sing, Nov. 8. 1, Morley; 2, Nelson; 3, Wainwright.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Weekly limit contest, Nov. 7, Woodman Inn, first club sing, 27 birds entered for three minutes' time sing. 1, 2, Beard; 3, Blackshire. Open sing, Nov. 8, 24 birds entered. 1, 2, Beard; 3, Proctor. Open sing last Saturday in each month.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEEDS ORIGINAL LINNET & C.C.

Quality contest, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Nov. 7. 18 birds faced the judges, and some splendid singing was heard. 1, the club veteran, Tom Stead; 2, A. Richardson; 3, Stamey. Judges, Naylor and Lacey. Nov. 8, 26 birds were hung to a full house. T. Johnson was again to the front with his famous "Jack Johnson," who has now won 27 firsts out of 29 hangs; 2, Stamey; 3, Tom Stead; 4, Sam Johnson. Judges, Barcastle, Naylor, and T. Chadwick.

The Canary Club opened in the evening with the first weekly sing to a crowded house. 14 very good birds were hung, and the old bird "nuts" were delighted. 1, Sam Barcastle; 2, Lipman; 3, divided by Lipman and Hodgson. Judges: Sissons, Naylor, and Clark. Don't forget the Roller contest every Sunday at 8.—W. Naylor, Sec. (Kindly write only on one side of each sheet of paper.—Ed.)—Advt.

LEEDS.

Quality singing contest, Old Bird House, Sannera' Arms, Buslingthorpe, Nov. 8, 19 birds sing. 1, Ward; 2, Binns; 3, shared by Hullen and Laycock. Judges, Sellars and Blackburn.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec. Linnet quality singing contests, Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, Oct. 31. 1, T. Johnson; 2, Ward; 3, Laycock. 16 birds; judges, A. Lorrain and J. Maddon. Nov. 1, 20 birds; 1, 3, Bamfield; 2, Green. Judges, Lorrain and Maddon. Nov. 7, 18 birds. 1, T. Johnson; 2, 3, shared, Laycock and S. Johnson. Judges, 1, Maddon and Charles. Nov. 8, 19 birds. 1, 2, Bamfield; 3, Wigfield. Judges, Lorrain and Maddon.

T. Johnson won here two Saturdays in succession, and wishes it to be stated that he is a member of the Albion Club and our club. The changing of his bird's name (Musical Box to Jack Johnson) was done by some unauthorised person. Let us have fair play, and stick to the different clubs' titles as commenced with after the King's Head and the Prince Albert disbanded, namely, The Skimmers' Arms (the old bird house), The Albion Hotel Club, and Leeds Linnet, and C.C.—T. Johnson and Alf Lorrain.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club hold high-class Roller contest at Plasterer's Arms, Skinner Lane, North Street, Nov. 15, commence at 7 p.m. All Roller Club members, old friends, and new, made welcome.—(Advt.)

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How Our Scheme Has Been Received.

Hospital Authorities Delighted With the Offer of Singing Canaries.

It is a source of unbounded gratification to ourselves, in which our readers will surely join, to find that CAGE BIRDS' Scheme for presenting pet singing Canaries, cages, and food, to convalescent homes and hospitals housing wounded soldiers and sailors, has met with instant and widespread appreciation.

The extracts given this week from letters received concerning the scheme establish the latter beyond question, and the pleasure that the prospect of receiving a sweet-voiced Canary has given to so many hospital authorities will be shared by those bird-lovers who have so generously made it possible for us to carry through so happy an idea.

! Points to Observe.

We shall arrange for the despatching of the first consignments of birds, etc., next week. We would request readers whom we notify to forward either birds or cages to let us know *at once*, if for any reason they are not able to get away their parcels to the precise time we shall specify, it being important, of course, that birds should not be received at any hospitals before the cages have been delivered. Remember, too, that all cages should be sent fully fitted (i.e., with perches and seed, and water vessels ready for the birds to be popped into them. Pack them adequately,

too, to obviate possibility of damage in transit.

We should, by the way, be glad to receive further promises of suitable singing cages. We have more birds than we have cages to put them in, and when our scheme becomes as widely known as we intend it to be, we anticipate many more applications for these pet birds. There must be many convalescent homes, for instance, with which we have not yet got into touch, where one will be received with delight.

What do Societies Say?

Will you not help kindly, reader, in this good cause? We have had several sums of money sent us with which to purchase cages. Maybe, if you have no cage available, you, too, would care to send a donation. We already have the birds, the food (by Messrs. Capern, Ltd.) and the sand (by Messrs. Trower and Co.).

It occurs to us that societies might wish to be identified with our scheme. If any club cares to donate any sum towards it (5s. will buy a first-rate cage) it will be gladly received. The names of all donors are neatly inscribed on a card sent with every gift. How nice it would be to see in, say, Cardiff (or other) hospital, a cage inscribed "Presented by the members of the Cardiff Cage Bird Society." Think it over, societies; but do it quickly, and write us at the earliest opportunity.

SOME APPRECIATIONS OF OUR OFFER OF CANARIES.

Dreadnought Hospital (Greenwich).—It is most kind of you to have thought of this charming way of pleasing the wounded; accept yourself and convey to your readers our grateful thanks. Our men will much appreciate your gift. It is well-known that soldiers and sailors collect pets wherever they go; and if they should recognise personal friends amongst the donors of the Canaries, no doubt this fact will give them additional pleasure.

Second London General Hospital (Chelsea).—We shall be most delighted to have the Canary. The patients will, I am sure, thoroughly appreciate it. We have 520 beds and the hospital is in two sections, so if you can at any time send us another Canary we shall be very pleased. [We shall be delighted to see that two birds are forwarded.—Editor "C.B."]

London Hospital (Whitechapel, E.C.).—Very glad to take advantage of your kind offer of presenting a Canary for the entertainment of the wounded and others in the hospital wards. A gift of this kind affords the greatest possible pleasure. We will see the bird is well looked after.

Third Northern General Hospital (Sheffield).—We shall be very pleased indeed to receive the Canary so kindly offered. You may be sure it will have a very good home, and be of great interest and pleasure to the soldiers. Thank you very much.

Fifth Northern General Hospital (Leicester).—Delighted to receive a Canary. It will be a source of great pleasure, and of interest, too, for our wounded soldiers and the sisters and nurses. Many thanks for your kind offer.

Third Western General Hospital (Cardiff).—We shall be delighted to have a Canary and cage, especially as there are no conditions attached to the gift. It would give great pleasure to the soldiers and sailors in our hospital. The difficulty will be how to divide a Canary into four sections. We are most grateful to you and to your readers who have helped to give us such a nice gift. [It has been a pleasure to promise 4 Canaries and cages.—Editor "C.B."]

Military Hospital (Fort Pitt, Chatham).—We would be glad to get three Canaries for the benefit of our wounded—we have over 600 here to date.

Royal Herbert Hospital (Woolwich).—Shall be glad to accept a Canary. You may be sure it will be well looked after.

Victoria Hospital for Children (Chelsea).—We offered 40 beds to the Red Cross Society, but they have not yet been accepted, and therefore the Insti-

tution is carrying on its work as much for the benefit of the sick children of the poor. Should you still care to present a Canary and cage for the amusement of the children we should be very pleased to accept it. [We have, of course, had the greatest of pleasure in allocating a Canary and cage to this most deserving hospital.—Editor "C.B."]

City of London (Victoria Park, E.C.).—Most pleased to accept the gift of a singing Canary and cage your readers so kindly offer.

Fifth Southern General Hospital (Fawcett Road, Southsea).—Delighted to have a bird for the hospital; it will be much appreciated and welcomed by the patients.

National Hospital (London, W.).—We shall be delighted to have the gift you mention of a singing Canary. We are quite sure it will be a source of great delight to our wounded soldiers and patients. It is very kind of your readers.

St. Bartholomew's Hospital (London, E.C.).—Only too pleased to avail ourselves of the kind offer. We are sure the gift will be greatly appreciated.

First London General Hospital (Camberwell).—We gratefully accept on the patients' behalf the offer you kindly make of a singing Canary in cage. This hospital of 520 beds is in two separate buildings, so that if it were possible to send two birds, one could go to each building. [We shall have the greatest of pleasure in forwarding two birds.—Editor "C.B."]

Second Western General Hospital (Manchester).—Very glad indeed to have a singing Canary for our men.

Fourth Scottish General Hospital (Stobhill, Glasgow).—Very glad to receive two birds with cages and seed.

Fourth Northern General Hospital (Lincoln).—Many thanks for your kind offer; the wounded men will be delighted with a pet bird.

First Scottish General Hospital (Aberdeen).—We are quite sure the gift will be much appreciated.

London Homeopathic Hospital (Bloomsbury).—Accept our very warm thanks for the gift.

Royal Victoria Hospital (Netley).—Your gift will be welcome.

Middlesex Hospital (London, W.).—We beg to accept with many thanks your kind offer of a Canary and cage, etc. It will be much appreciated.

Fourth Southern General Hospital (Plymouth).—Very pleased to receive the gift of a Canary.

Third Scottish General Hospital (Stobhill, Glasgow).—It is extremely kind of you to offer us a singing Canary, and we shall be very pleased to have it.

First Northern General Hospital (Newcastle-on-Tyne).—Very pleased to accept the kind gift of a singing bird and cage for the soldiers' wards; thank your readers very much for their kindness.

Glasgow, Queen's Park and Dis. C.B.S. to Hold Annual Show.

Sir,—At our monthly meeting the members arranged to give four open classes for Nor., and 9 classes for Yorks.; prize-money, 10s., 5s., and 2s. 6d. for 1s. 6d. entry fee. The show will be held in the Victoria Halls, 476, Victoria Road (adjoining Queen's Park Station), on 5th December. It is hoped that with the above prize-money and a good list of specials, exhibitors will do their best to send a few entries, and thereby help to make the venture a success. Schedules are now ready. ROBT. HEGGIE, Sec. 27, McLellan Street, Mount Florida.

Recipes for Making Birdlime.

Sir,—Having been a reader of CAGE BIRDS for over 16 years, I should be obliged if any fellow-reader would kindly give me a recipe how to make bird-lime, as I have lost mine. J. H. WRETTAKER.

Sir,—I would be glad if any reader of your valued CAGE BIRDS could tell me how bird-lime (Holly Bark) is made; or can I buy a book or get the recipe anywhere?

A CUMBERLAND READER.

(Our correspondents and other readers needing the same information can obtain it from CAGE BIRDS' 1914 ANNUAL, in which is an article giving full information on making and using bird-lime, both holly bark and other kinds. We have a few copies left, price 8d. post free, or 6d. from newsagents and railway bookstalls.—Editor "C.B.")

The Bib of the Exhibition Siskin.

Do Judges Place Too Much Value On It?

Sir,—I beg space to reply to Mr. Fairhurst on the subject of the bib of the exhibition Siskin, and I hope that he and all your other readers will understand that I desire to echo the note on which he concludes, viz., that it is a question of principle, and not of persons. Mr. Fairhurst's assertion that "yellow Siskins do not show a well-defined bib in October" is too sweeping. That the majority do not reproduce the bib during or immediately after the moult is undeniable. Some recover it more or less gradually as the season advances, and some appear to definitely lose it. But there are others—truly a few only—who come through with a distinct and decided bib; hence a judge is entitled to look for a bib, and to penalise the exhibit for its absence in accordance with the value he attaches to the point.

On the question of actual faking, I regret that I cannot be so positive, and if I venture to state my views for what they are worth, it is with much diffidence that I do so. There has always been a good deal of loose talk on the subject of faking British birds, and the evil has probably always been greatly overstated. It must be a very delicate operation to tamper with the plumage of a British bird, in order to "improve" any point, and

yet to escape detection; and personally I confess that I am at present not convinced that it can be done. A faked bird is almost inevitably brought to book sooner or later, and likely enough the taker will prove to be an exhibitor who has been influenced by the "loose talk" into believing that faking is indispensable to winning, though I am quite prepared to hear from those who support the view that faking is rampant that he did it too clumsily.

Anyhow, it is not impossible for honest exhibitors to win with birds honestly shown, as Mr. Fairhurst himself and hundreds of others have proved. Moreover, men of principle are a powerful asset to the cage bird fancy, and it cannot be doubted that they dominate it. May I commend this end of the argument to Mr. Fairhurst?

C. PRIOR.

Sunderland Will Do Its Best for Fanciers.

Sir,—The Sunderland C.B.A. intend to go on with their open show, as previously arranged, for January 15 and 16, in the Miners' Hall, Monkwearmouth. The classification will be larger than last year, and will include 8 Nor., 8 Yorks., 4 Crest, and C.B., 9 Bord., 4 Liz., 3 Selling 1 Gift, 2 Mules, 8 Brit., 2 For., and 34 members, making a total of 85 as against 81 classes last year. Three prizes have been given for the open gift class by members, proceeds of the sale of the birds to be given to the local relief fund. The liberal classification has been made possible by some members guaranteeing the society against loss on certain classes. We hope fanciers will send along entries, and so save having to call upon the guarantors. Prize-money as in previous years (10s., 5s., 3s., 2s.), with diplomas, etc., for each section; in fact, everything will be as last year. We trust that exhibitors will help us to the best of their ability in making this show a success in our determination to "keep the flag flying" in the Fancy. We have the patronage of six specialist clubs (probably seven), together with gold and silver medals from the president and secretary of the N.C.C. for competition amongst their members. The judges will be Messrs. T. C. Crawhall (Norwich, etc.), J. Johnston (Borders), and G. Wilson (British).

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Correspondence.

Musselburgh Goes Ahead!

Sir,—I am pleased to say that Musselburgh annual show is to be held as usual. Half of our members have joined Kitchener's Army, but by the help of friends and fanciers we hope to have a successful show.

An Appeal to Members of the Yorks. and Lancs. B.B. and M.C.

Sir,—I beg to draw the attention of members of the Yorkshire and Lancashire B.B. and M.C. to the Bradford National Show, in Drummond Road School, on November 21st. It is to be regretted by everyone that it is not on as large a scale as before, owing to the war, but it is held for the same object, the benefit of the poor bairns. I hope our members will send as many birds as they can in the classes provided for them. The schedule is printed in CAGE BIRDS this week. There are two extra specials given for members of this club.

T. H. INMAN, Hon. Sec.

The Fancy in Western Canada.

"We Have Some Good Stock Here," Says Our Correspondent.

Sir,—Being an interested reader of your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, I could not help reading and being interested in the letter signed by Mr. G. E. Nutty from Saskatchewan. Like Mr. Nutty, I have been a resident of Western Canada for some years now; in fact, it is about eleven years since I last saw my native land, so that I should be a little conversant with the manners and customs of my adopted land. However, it was birds I intended to talk about, so will proceed. Before going on I just wish to say that I regret that I do not know where Mr. Nutty is located; otherwise I would write direct to him.

In Winnipeg here a number of fanciers got together and formed a society known as the "Winnipeg and District Cage Bird Society." This was last February; since then we have held two shows, one a members' show on the 1st of April last, and the second during the Canadian Industrial Exhibition, July 13th to 16th. We had a fair entry on both occasions, and, what is much better, we had a lot of good birds out. We are looking for bigger things to happen, especially in November, when we hold our first open show. We have about thirty members, and hold a meeting every two weeks. The reason I am stating these facts is that I want to show that Western Canada is beginning to take an interest in the cage bird fancy. I am not exactly conversant with conditions in Saskatchewan, but I am with those in Manitoba, which, after all, is not so very far away, and I want to say that right here in Winnipeg there are a number of fanciers who have in their possession birds that

no old-country fancier would be ashamed of. I would be only too willing to put Mr. Nutty in touch with any or all of these fanciers, and if he should happen to be in our city at any time, I should be glad to show him around, and convince him that he can get as good birds right here in Western Canada as he can get elsewhere.

With reference to the local Canaries he speaks of, I can quite understand that the best are not sold, there being a great many so-called "German Rollers" hawked around at prices which pay their vendors well. With this we have no complaint; people will always get what they want, and if they want good birds and demand them they can easily obtain them, but good birds cannot be bought in this country for 10 dols. to 12 dols. per pair. I question if 12.00 dols. would buy a good cock bird here, knowing as I do that good Yorkshire stock cost about 25.00 dols. to 40.00 dols. a pair.

I am more than glad to have been able to answer the letter of a brother fancier in Western Canada, as correspondence from this quarter of the globe has been rather scarce. I would ask brother Nutty to cheer up, and if he will only correspond with myself, I will put him touch with a number of fanciers that can supply him with a good stock of birds of any breed he may desire. What is more, we will be glad to have Mr. Nutty a member of our society, or if that does not suit him we will be glad to supply him with any information he may desire that could help him to form a society where he is living.

W. B. WOOD
(Chairman Winnipeg and Dist. C.B.S.)

Tredegar Show Will Be Held.

Sir,—At a meeting of the Tredegar and Dis. C.B.S., held Saturday evening, it was unanimously decided to hold our open show on January 14 (as previously arranged), judge, Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool. I trust exhibitors will give us their whole-hearted support, without which we cannot hope to make it a success.

W. B. WATKINS, Hon. Sec.

Are Self-Greens Handicapped Against Clear Yorkshires?

Sir,—Will you, or one of our judges, kindly answer through CAGE BIRDS the following questions, viz:

- (1) "Is it fair competition for clear Yorkshires and self-green Yorkshires to compete in the same class at First Feather shows?"
- (2) Which has the advantage?

W. B. WATKINS.
Hon. Sec. Tredegar C.B.S.

(Speaking generally, we should say that any "advantage" would lie with the Clear Yorkshires; if this is so, then it can hardly, of course, be held to be "fair competition" for the self-greens.—Editor.)

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Use our Notepaper

CORRESPONDENCE.

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Gorleston Show Held in a Good Cause.

Sir, The local fanciers have decided to hold a mixed show on November 26, open to Norfolk and Suffolk, and to give the whole profits to the widows and orphans of those Gorleston men who perished in the naval disasters (in two families alone there are 16 children; two born since the deaths of their fathers).

I have been asked to act as secretary, and we have been able to secure the Drill Hall—all other halls being in use for troops, etc. I will send further particulars and schedule within a day or two. I may add that lady friends have come forward and arranged to hold stalls (refreshments and general), the whole proceeds to go to above families.

R. D. STEWARD.

The White House, Gorleston-on-Sea.

Good News for Lizard Canary Fanciers.

Sir, The committee of Sunderland Show have decided to considerably augment the Lizard classes at their show to be held in January, 1915, and the following should ensure a good entry: 1, Gold Clear Cap; 2, Silver ditto; 3, Broken Cap, any Colour; 4, Hens any Colour. Mr. J. Riseborough will give 5s. for most points, and at time of writing Mr. Reid has offered 2s. 6d. also as a special, for which he will not compete. Whispers of one or two more specials have reached me, but full details will be found in the schedule. We look for a generous entry from all Lizard breeders, and hope this will tend to give the necessary fillip to the head way this variety is making in the North.

G. DAVIDSON, Sec. N.L.C.C.

Will the Border Fancy Outstrip the Norwich?

Sir.—Referring to Mr. W. E. Cobb's remarks before the City and Suburban A.C.B. (see last week's CAGE BIRDS) re Border Fancy Canaries, I venture to write this protest with the object of defending a variety that will certainly be more popular than the Norwich in the near future. In his opening remarks Mr. Cobb supposes the Border Fancy is next in favour to Norwich and Yorkshires. He need not suppose at all. I should like to refer him to Mr. Norman's article in CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1914.

He then says he will dismiss it at once, because the bird is too small for him. What if it is? He finishes with a disparaging remark calculated to destroy the intention of any beginner to take up this variety. I should like to know if there were any Border Fancy men present on this occasion, and why he was not asked to withdraw such remarks? At all events, perhaps he will use more discretion in his next ten minute venture.

W. E. PLANK.

The Great Charity Event: Bradford National Show.

Sir.—The great charity event of the year, the Bradford National Show, takes place on Nov. 21st. Entries close Nov. 17, and the schedule will be found in your advertising columns this week. The committee, under the able leadership of Mr. H. H. Towers, have put in a lot of real work, and all that remains now is for exhibitors to respond with a good entry. The stewards are genuine fanciers, and every care and attention will be paid to the birds. The valuable specials include silver cup for best Yorks, in show, special, value £1 ls., for most points by an exhibitor outside Yorkshire (providing ten compete) up to and including class 31. Open Yorks, 10s. most points, also 10s. 6d. (value) most points any one class. Yks., Greens, blouse length, most points cock classes; ditto hens. Open novices (not won more than three firsts in open competition), framed plate most points. Y.U. novice (Yks.), 10s. 6d., value, most points in any one class; Nor., blouse length, most points. British and Hybrids, 10s. most points, also 10s. 6d. (value) most points any one class. Y. and L. B.B. and M. Club members, 3s. for most points, and 1s. 9d. (value) second most points. Selling, fountain pen most points, and blouse length ditto any one class. In the open stock bird class, through the kindness of Mr. W. H. Shackleton, the prize-money will be 12s., 8s., 6s., 4s., 2s. Mr. Dawn, president Sheffield O.S., is thanked for two 10s. in money for open Yks. and British and Hyb. Mr. J. W. Ramsden presents a shaving mirror for best yellow, silver mounted cigarette case for best buff, and crumb brush and tray for best bird shown by a novice, providing birds have been colour-fed solely on Ramsden's Peppers. Competitors must write "Ramsden's" against each competing entry. Members of the various specialist clubs should see that entry forms are all marked correctly.

S. MURPHY, Sec.

The Shows.

SHEFFIELD.

The Sheffield O.S., on Nov. 7, held what one might style an Inter-club Show. The societies competing were: Sheffield O.S., Sheffield C.B.S., Attercliffe, Wadley, Stocksbridge, and Rotherham. All profits made go to the Lord Mayor's War Fund. The entry was one of 220 upwards. The Forsters' Hall, in which the exhibits were tastefully staged, is well lighted, free from draughts, and centrally situated. Yorks. led the way as regards merit, yet were very closely pressed by the chubby Nor. Brit. were capital, and For. choice. The management throughout was as usual A1; one expects no other from such men as Messrs. T. Dawn (chairman), J. A. T. Woodhall (vice-ch.), Dr. Craig (treas.), E. C. Job (sec.), and R. Colton (assist. sec.), who are to be heartily congratulated. They are truly a very fine band of officials, full of enthusiasm. We must not omit to mention the capital assistance rendered by the stewards, Messrs. G. Fletcher, W. Baxby, J. Milne, H. Thornhill, and J. W. Allen.

The valuable special prize (cash) to the society making most entries went to the Sheffield C.B.S.; that for best in show to Mr. G. Fletcher's lovely Barraband; spl. most entries in For., Mr. W. Baxby. Other spl. for best in various classes fell to Dr. W. Craig, H. Cadman (Yorks.), A. H. Walters, J. H. Griffiths (Nor.), J. Evans (Crest), F. Falding, F. Bearder (Brit.), G. Fletcher (For.). Points spl.: Dr. Craig, C. Tow, A. H. Walters, G. Stallord, J. Evans, and G. Fletcher (3). Judges were Messrs. H. W. Battye and H. H. Towers, and their awards were well received. Judging was over in quick time, show opened by noon, visitors plentiful, and everything pointed to a huge success.

OLD BIRDS: YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, sp. Dr. Craig, gem, wing mld., full of style; 2, Ridal, lovely cl., hardly the col., otherwise nearly equal; 3, 4, Bingham and Furness, tld. eye, and cl., respectively, both straight, latter hardly ready; vhc, Wakelind; he, Thornhill; c, Spencer. BUFF (7): 1, Bingham and Furness, richly fed, shooety, clever legs, in the pink; 2, Brotherton, smart cl., lengthy and boxey; 3, Ridal, line bird, bit sleek, should improve; 4, Thornhill, mld. wing, A1 feather and col.; vhc, Spencer; he, Dr. Craig; c, Flint. HEN (8): 1, 4, Bingham and Furness, buff, thigh tld., slim, lengthy, and neat throughout, gem, 4 yell., mld. wing, nice pos., length, and style, bit soiled, or might have been higher; 2, Dr. Craig, cl. yell., good expression, lengthy, well up, bit stout; 3, Ridal, very stylish cl. buff; vhc, he, Thornhill; c, Blunt. CINN. MKD. (3): 1, Ridal, yell., mld. wings and head, real good one all through, in fine trim; 2, Dr. Craig, yell., mld. wings and head, stands nicely, lengthy, good col.; 3, Butler, long buff varieg. HEN (3): 1, Dr. Craig, mld. wings and head, extremely dainty; 2, Ridal, buff, capital feather, lengthy; 3, Thornhill, buff varieg., nice head, needs more qual. YOUNG BIRDS: YELL. YORKS. (19): Good class: 1, vhc, Gregory, neat brace, winner very smart cl., straight smooth as wax; 2, Dr. Craig, cl., shade more length, nice pos., wee bit behind in feather; 3, Bingham and Furness, cl., lengthy, nice qual, and col.; 4, Champion, cl., good length, col., and feather, wild; he, Ridal; c, Butler. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Dr. Craig, mld. head, true outline, feathered to perfection, very promising, 3 very lengthy cl., nicely clothed, requires steady; 2, vhc, Bingham and Furness, mld. wing, extremely neat, and boxey, shorter; 4, Gregory, mld. head, good for stock; he, Ridal; c, Jones. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Brotherton, cl., model, smooth as glass, should do well; 2, Dr. Craig, mld. neck, all there for col., qual., and style; 3, Spencer, cl., stands right, lengthy, little free; 4, Ridal, capital cl., vhc, Sheneld. BUFF (13): 1, vhc, Dr. Craig, lovely clothed cl., one of the best; 2, Sheneld, lengthy cl., grand feather, good on leg, close up; 3, Jones, bonny varieg., not a feather wrong; 4, Brotherton, mld. head, good, but not big; he, Spencer; c, Gregory. NOVICE YOUNG: YELL. YORKS. (15): 1, sp. Cadman, most charming cl., full of merit; 2, Bagshawe, cl., nice pos., superb feather, stylish; 3, H. Tow, cl., full of nerve, rich qual.; 4, Briggs, red-hot cl., good pos. and length; vhc, Smith; c, Thornhill. BUFF (15): 1, H. Tow, cl., delightful feather, nice length and outline, good legs; 2, Pickering, another very attractive cl., must have pressed; 3, Wingfield, cl., lengthy and leggy, wants more training; 4, Bagshawe, cl., nice length and pos.; vhc, Smith; c, Merrills. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Wingfield, cl., delightful symmetry, feathered to perfection; 2, Howarth, cl., well up, lengthy, nice col., bit sleek; 3, Smith, thigh tld., nice type and style, not long; 4, H. Tow, cl., again short, yet all there otherwise; vhc, Briggs. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Tow, brace of beauties; vhc, Briggs. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Tow, brace of beauties, both cl., leader has it in col. only; 3, Biggin, cl., A1 feather and col., neat; 4, Smith, cl., good length, nice taper; vhc, Thornhill; he, Clarke; c, Blunt. OLD: YELL. NOR. (9): 1, Waters, cl., plenty of subs., grand shape, col., and qual.; 2, Webster and Taylor, red-hot cl., good feather, capital body; 3, Dunford, mld. wings and head, superb feather, beaten shape; 4, Stallord, nice type, A1 col., smaller; vhc, Cowley; he, Havenhand; c, Everard. BUFF (11): 1, Bagnall, bouncing cl., grand shape and col., plenty of feather; 2, Dunford, varieg., short and thick set, A1 col. and qual., rare carr., our choice; 3, Cowley, var., good head and neck, well feathered; 4, vhc, Waters, green, silky feather, good head; he, Webster and Taylor; c, Havenhand. HEN (13): 1, Bagnall, very smart, stylish cl. yell., good subs. and col.; 2, Waters, shapely cl. yell., plenty of col., rich feather; 3, Matthews, bouncing cl. yell., A1 qual., nice body, bit short of col.; 4, Webster and Taylor, cl., cobby, tight as wax; vhc, Dunford; he, Holt; c, Cowley. YOUNG: YELL. NOR. (10): 1, sp. 3, 4, vhc, c, Waters, line team, leading with very nice cl., full of col. and qual., with luck should do well, 3 red-hot var., shapely, promising; 2, he, Matthews, cl., good shape, superb feather, paler. BUFF (8): 1, Hemming, mld. wing, tecning with qual., rich col., shapely, nice carr.; 2, he, Waters, cl., rattling type and feather, very close up; 3, Dunford, mld. wings and head, rare subs., rather sleek; 4, c, Matthews, mld. eye, cobby, tight feather, down in col.; vhc, Havenhand; he, Waters. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Dunford, mld. wings and head, short and thick set, capital col., feather and carr.; 2, Waters, cl., shapely, nice size and qual., close up; 3, Hemming, mld. wing and eyes, nice body, neat wings; 4, he, Havenhand, cl., lovely qual.; vhc, Webster and Taylor. BUFF (4): 1, Waters, mld. head, smooth as wax, good subs., beauty; 2, Bagnall, mld. wings and eyes, red hot, capital body and wings, lacks a little in head; 3, Havenhand, shapely cl., nice size, not so smooth; 4, Webster and Taylor, cl., tight as a Java. NOVICE YOUNG: YELL. NOR. (9): 1, Griffiths, wandy-fed var., good shape; 2, Stallord, cl., neat head and front; 3, Everard, cl., plenty col., good feather. BUFF (9): 1, sp. Griffiths, mld. wing, cobby, light, A1 carr.; 2, Stallord, var., shapely, superb col.; 3, Hethy, tld. back, bonny; 4, Wragg, mld. wing, good col.; vhc, Green; No. 2, Gaird, w.c. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Stallord, cobby cl.,

rich feather and col., nice carr.; 2, Griffiths, cl., more subs., not bad col.; 3, Green, cobby cl., good qual. BUFF (7): 1, Stallord, cl., excellent shape and size, beauty; 2, Hartley, mld. wing and head, capital type, paler; 3, Wragg, var., plenty of subs.; 4, Everard, cl., A1 qual., neat; vhc, Dewick; he, Griffiths; No. 2, Gifford, w.c. OLD: CREST (7): 1, sp. 4, Evans, buff, cl. body, grizzled crest, heaps of feather, magnificent head points, 4 green, crest round as a hoop; 2, 3, Farrow, buff, mld. wing, grizzled crest, abundance of clothing, beaten size of crest, 3 green, delightful shaped crest; vhc, Colton and Dawn; he, Memmott. C.B. (5): 1, 2, he, Memmott, line team, well known cl. buff, wonderful headpiece, looking well as ever, leading; 3, vhc, Evans, var., massive build, rare skull and lash; 4, Colton and Dawn, var., heaps of feather, magnificent skull, we thought easy 2nd; c, Farrow. YOUNG: CREST (6): 1, Richard on, green, superb feather, crest of beautiful shape; 2, 3, Evans, buff mld. tail, grizzled crest, plenty of feather, crest of grand character; 4, vhc, he, Memmott, buff, hardly ready yet, will look nice shortly. C.B. (5): 1, Moore, buff, mld. head, abundance of feather, good rise of skull, neatly lashed; 2, Memmott, buff var., little removed from being as good as 1st; 3, 4, Evans, A.O.V. (2): 1, Colton and Dawn, yell green Nor., wonderful subs., magnificent shape, lovely feather and col., good, we heard was the Liverpool winner, 2, Moore, very neat Lin. Can., capital col. and feather. BRIT. GOLD. (3): 1, Falding, line face, good col., wins easy; 2, Fletcher, not up in col. yet. BULLF. (3): 1, Milne, shapely, good size, nice breast col.; 2, Bearder, better col. and size, not light mld. up yet; 3, Fletcher. LINNET (7): 1, 2, Walsh, brace of tip-toppers, winner has it in size; 3, Bearder, nice shape, neatly pencilled; 4, Beech, good col.; vhc, c, Fletcher; he, Snape. GREENE (3): 1, 2, Fletcher, both gras, full C1 col., best of shapes; 3, Milne. REDPOLL. ETC. (1): 1, sp. 4, Falding, very line Meally Redpoll, wonderful mldgs., size, and col.; 2, Fletcher, smart Twite, nice size, shape, and mldgs.; 3, vhc, Duce, good col. Sisk. 1, Walsh; he, Milne; c, Allott. A.O.S. HARD (12): 1, sp. 4, Falding, Hawfinch and Bunting respectively, both of great merit, and staged well; 2, Milne, Hawfinch, another real good one; 3, vhc, c, Walsh, neat good col. Chaffinch; he, Bearder. INSECTIV. (11): 1, 3, 4, Fletcher, charming Nightingale, line Pipit, and good Yellow Wagtail, credit to their owner; 2, vhc, he, Milne, White-throat, in nice form, and taste-fully staged; c, Hammond. LARGE (5): 1, sp. 2, Bearder, magnificent Chough and an exquisite Wax-wing; 3, c, Fletcher, Chough, also real good specimen; 4, Walsh, Waxwing, in splendid form; vhc, Darlow; he, Green. FOR. WAXBILL. ETC. (12): 1, he, Fletcher, Weaver, nice order; 2, 3, vhc, c, Baxby, Zebra Finches, etc., hatched in fine style; 4, Colton and Dawn, Parrot Finches, might have been higher. PARROTS, ETC. (4): 1, sp. 2, 3, Fletcher, rattling Barraband leading; 4, Hiberson. HARD. ETC. (9): 1, Fletcher; 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, Colton and Dawn; c, Baxby. GIFT (9): 1, Dr. Craig; 2, Colton and Dawn; 3, Spencer; 4, Waters; vhc, Tow; he, Bingham and Furness; c, Hemming.

GLASGOW & WEST OF SCOTLAND.

25th annual show, Oct. 31, Good Templars' Halls, Ingram Street, under the patronage of the Scottish Plainhead Club. A splendid classification was offered, and the open classes were fairly well patronised, but the members' classes appeared to have suffered somewhat through classes being thrown open, although both in the open and confined there were many birds of real merit. The management, which is headed by the genial Mr. Matthew Craig, with Mr. A. Maxwell, Vice-Pres., and Mr. A. K. Chalmers, Sec., backed up by many leading fanciers as committee, is sufficient guarantee that all birds entrusted to their care would receive every attention. Mr. W. Hutchinson judged Norwich and Crests; Mr. G. Hislop, Yorks and Bord., and Mr. W. Loan the remainder. All accomplished their duties in good time, and to the general satisfaction.

MEMBERS' YOUNG BIRDS, NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Maxwell, lovely size, col. and qual., proportionately made, A1 trim; 2, McLeod, well up for size and col.; 3, Colley; 4, no name. BUFF (13): 1, Maxwell, good size and qual., fine carr., right build, in perfect bloom; 2, McLeod, larger, but loses in feather; 3, Colley, nice qual. and feather; 4, Maxwell, well up in size. YELL. VAR. OR GR. (3): 1, 3, Maxwell, leader heavy varieg., warm col., good qual., nice top end; 2, no name. BUFF (4): 1, spl. 4, Maxwell, very mld., topping qual., in perfect order; 2, Chalmers, good one, not finished yet; 3, Swan, nice feather and cond. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Chalmers, nice size and build, shapely and neat, proper stamp; 2, Braid, hot in col. and qual., but not the front of leader; 3, Maxwell, pale in col., nice feather; 4, Colley. BUFF (10): 1, Chalmers, lovely lady, short, neat, compact, broad deep front, A1 qual. and carriage, perfection, a beauty; 2, Maxwell, capital tld., nice qual., neatly got up, not quite the subs.; 3, Colley, tight and neat, behind in size; 4, Braid, neat and chubby. YELL. VAR. (5): 1, 4, spls, and cup best young Nor., Maxwell, grand qual., fine head and neck, clean and tight made, grand carr., good one, still it was the opinion of some that Chalmers' buff hen was the better; 2, Colley, hotter in col., nice qual., not so well cut away; 3, Maxwell, nice size and cond.; 4, Braid. BUFF (6): 1, Taylor, nice gr., shapely, good in feather, in the pink; 2, Maxwell, nice qual., hoxy feather; 3, Colley, smaller built but neat; 4, Braid. NON-FED (2): 1, spl, Martin, broken gr., nice feather, bit wild; 2, Robertson. HEN (1): 1, Sloan. CRESTS & C.B. had only one entry each, both McLay. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (3): 1, Swan, little beauty, line head and neck, neat type; 2, Chalmers, nice one; 3, Cunningham. BUFF (4): 1, Braid, nice one all over; 2, Swan, bit patchy in col.; 3, Chalmers, nice qual., must have pressed. VAR. YELL. (2): Both Swan, nice cond. BUFF (3): 1, 2, Sloan, neat, wonderful cond., 2nd more jaunty but fails at top end; 3, Chalmers. GR. OR CINN. (2): 1, 2, Swan. YORKS., only one entry in each of the five classes. YELL. COCK, BUFF DO., YELL. HEN, BUFF DO., all Park. VAREG.: Webster. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (2): Both Webster, var. Goldies, nice feather, steady. DARK MILE (5): 1, 3, Taylor, nice Linnet Mules, 2, 4, Webster, Greenies in top cond. OLD BIRDS, NOR. YELL. (6): 1, Martin, fine size and col., all there for qual., good one; 2, Taylor, nice one, hard up, only loses in head; 3, Chalmers, fine size, col. and qual., fails carr. only; 4, McLay. BUFF (6): 1, Chalmers, neck mld., neat and compact, fine size, the right stuff; 2, Braid, nice all-round, good order; 3, Sloan, chubby, neat and clean cut, steady; 4, McLeod. YELL. VAR. (2): 1, 2, Taylor, nice pair, leader excellent in chubbiness. BUFF (5): 1, Martin, old warrior, very fit; 2, 3, Colley, hard up for size and cond., good, but not so sweet fronted as leader; 3, Taylor, nice one, in grand trim. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Sloan, nice size, fine build, not quite ready yet; 2, Hodg. 3, snuff, fine feather, well braced; 3, epl, Smith,

looks nice one, but apparently soft; 4, Taylor. BUFF (10): 1, spl, 4, Taylor, plenty size, line subs., neat carr., good qual. feather, staged to perfection; 2, Colley, neat and cobby, not just so massive, still good one; 3, Maxwell, good one, close up on 2nd. YELL. VAR. HEN (2): 1, spl, Braid, best novice exhibit, neat and chubby, not a monster but well braced and clean cut; 2, Taylor. BUFF (5): 1, 4, Taylor, gr., good all over, in top cond.; 2, McLeod, neat and cobby; 3, Smith, looks nice one, but soft when we saw it. NON-FED (5): 1, McLeod, nice qual., inclined to be unsteady; 2, 3, Braid, leader cap mld. buff, line size and type, well up, rather opener in feather than winner, 3rd good qual. cl. yell.; 4, Robertson. HEN (4): 1, spl, Martin, cheek mld. yell., A1 cond., trifle fat on front; 2, Braid, nice one, but wild; 3, 4, Hailey. CINN (1): 1, McLay, good jonque. CREST (1): 1, spl, McLay, clinker. C. B. (1): 1, McLay, staged in line fashion. The six classes of Borders had only 13 entries between them, and the prizes went to Messrs. Cunningham, Swan, Chalmers, and Swan, the only exhibitors. Eight classes of Yorks produced only 6 entries, 3 being without any. Only the buff cocks had more than one entry (2): 1, Webster; 2, Park. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (2): 1, 2, Sloan, nice Linnet-Goldies, in the pink. DARK (3): 1, Dunlop, buff Goldie, in nice feather; 2, Craig, capital Siskin, large jonque, beautiful cond., line col. and marks, we liked for 1st; 3, Smith. British had 32 birds in 17 classes, the winners being Dunlop, Craig, Webster, Swan, Hailey, and Chalmers. Foreign were 8 in 4 classes, shown by Messrs. Campbell, Craig, Sloan, Webster, Park, and Taylor. OPEN, NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Naismith, grand size and col., line shape and good qual., not finished yet, will improve; 2, Stewart, nice var., grand feather, good carr., could do with more subs.; 3, Chalmers, plenty of size, good col.; 4, Martin. BUFF (5): 1, French, all right for size, rare qual. feather, neat and shapely, staged to perfection; 2, Martin, grand model, built on proper lines, well filled in and neatly braced, hard up on leader; 3, Eyre, well up for size and qual.; 4, Colley. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Cairns, nice size and type, fine head and well-filled front, clean cut, lovely cond.; 2, French, nice even col. and sweet qual.; 3, Maxwell, line weight, good carr. and shape; 4, Sinclair. BUFF (8): 1, Maxwell, plenty subs. and size, neatly carr. wings and tail, in the pink; 2, Martin, not quite so massive build, but very well coupled and neat throughout, grand bloom; 3, Cairns, nice qual., not quite the size; 4, Ward. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Chalmers, good one, neat John Bull type, line head and neck; 2, Fulton, good one and neat, but bit more subs. required for this company; 3, Holliday, nice size and qual.; 4, Cairns. HEN (15): 1, Martin, nice var., buff, good size, line qual., neat, one of the right stamp; 2, Young, cl. yell., well made, clean cut, but unsteady; 3, Stewart, neat and cobby buff, line type and carr., will hit out yet; 4, Sinclair. CREST (3): 1, McLay, monster broken gr., simply buried in feather, dense headgear, lovely radiation and droop, a beauty in perfect condition; 2, Chalmers, var. D.C., plenty nice qual. feather, but beaten in top-piece; 3, Tweedie. C.B. (3): 1, McLay, light var., abundant subs. and feather, grand skull, line lash and broad entrance, one of the right stamp; 2, Tweedie, fine broken gr., well up in size and subs., plenty feather; 3, Chalmers. BORD. YELL. (4): 1, Cramond, lovely col. and qual., neat, sweet head and good carr., nice and steady; 2, Howison, in line order, well beaten by leader in type and head points; 3, Gillies; 4, Findlay. BUFF (6): 1, Fraser, topper for type, neat and jaunty, rich boxy feather, perfect order; 2, Gillies, nice tick, good in qual., rather stronger in build; 3, Campbell. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Campbell, little beauty, neat and shapely through, tight as wax, looks a trifle masculine for a lady; 2, Cramond, 3-ptd., in capital trim, neat, sweet head and neck, fine front and clean, neat carr.; 3, Macklin, nice one for type and carr., not quite so sweet in head; 4, Gillies. BUFF (6): 1, Cramond, nice qual., A1 type, could do with more handling; 2, Campbell, hard up for type and qual. feather, better carr. than leader, must have pressed; 3, Macklin, var., nice all-round, well staged; 4, Fraser. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, Heggie, rare length, capital qual., well drawn and clean cut, one of the stamp we like; 2, Priest, nice hot even col., tight silky feather, right type, but not quite the build of leader; 3, Findlay, well drawn and shapely; 4, McLellan. BUFF (8): 1, Pinneck, lengthy, capital qual., clean-cut body and neat wings, put down in classic style; 2, McLellan, nice length and pos.; 3, Heggie, sweet one, clean-cut, tight-fitting jacket, wings and tail, carried in right fashion, must have pressed; 4, Findlay. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Heggie, lovely qual., sweet jaunty style and carr., good one, in right bloom; 2, Park, stylish, good qual. and carr., not quite lined down in feather yet; 3, McLellan, clean and sweetly made, good qual., fine cond.; 4, Anderson. BUFF (8): 1, Telfer, not a monster, but neat and clean at front, nice style and good carr., in faultless bloom; 2, McLellan, rather more subs., fine qual., in nice order; 3, Heggie, nice qual. feather, good carr.; 4, Anderson. HARDBILL (3): 1, Dickson, grand Bramble, fine size and markings, good col. and spangling, steady, perfect feather; 2, McLymont, grand Bullie, rare deep cap, fine bars, rich ground col., perfect feather, good one. SOFT-BILL (3): 1, 2, E. Taylor, grand Redstarts, Common and Black, real beauties; 3, McCord-Kew, Jun., nice Blackbird, in good feather, perfectly steady and will improve yet.

LEICESTER C.B.S.

Table Show, headquarters, Oct. 21. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK. UNFLIG.: 1, Tyers; 2, vhc, Brooks; 3, Suffolk; he, West; c, Ashby. A.O. CAN. CK.: 1, West; 2, vhc, Brooks; 3, Ashby. Novices made a very good class of 13, with some very good birds amongst them.—J. Hardbottle

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.

Show, Railway Hotel, Oct. 31. Mr. H. Sutcliffe judged the 85 birds staged, and gave every satisfaction. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Chippendale; 2, Gledhill; 3, Swaine; 4, Symes. BUFF (11): 1, Swaine; 2, Taylor; 3, Chippendale; 4, Wharton. MKD. (4): 1, Chippendale; 2, 3, Gledhill; 4, Tolley. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 4, Symes; 2, Varley; 3, Hodgson. BUFF (11): 1, Varley; 2, Swaine; 3, 4, Symes. CINN. HEN (6): 1, 4, Gledhill; 2, Swaine; 3, Hodgson. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Sykes; 2, Reeds; 4, Lougley. 3, Foster. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Sykes; 3, 4, Pownall. MKD. (3): 1, 2, 4, Sykes; 3, Pownall. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (8): 1, 4, Sykes; 2, 4, Pownall; 3, Reeds and Lougley. MKD. HEN: 1, 2, 3, 4, Reeds and Lougley.—W. J. Symes, Sec.

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NORTHAMPTON.

Northampton Good Intent O. and F.S.S. held its 43rd annual show Nov. 4-5 in the large hall of the Twentieth Century Club, Newland, a comfortable and well-lighted hall. The show sees, Messrs. Wood, man and Fisher, bird arrangements well in hand, and their work was well backed up by an efficient committee, Messrs. Fisher (chair), Barrett (vice), Woodman (sec.), Hobbs (treas.), and Mason, Letts, Hellum, Cox, Chynton, Dickens, Reynolds, and Lewin. Entries came up very well all round, and some very nice birds were staged. Mr. C. Martin, Kettering, judged.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. (11): 1, 3, Irons, grand yell. very taking, fine subs., lovely cond., 3 yell., good col. and condition, nicely mealied, good subs.; res. Edwards; vhc. Bott; he. Foster; c. Notley. LEES. UNEVEN (4): 1, withheld; 2, Keech and Son, buff, mtd. chest and wings, splendid col., fine subs., good cond.; 3, Dr. Wood, heavily mtd., good head, fine stock bird; res. vhc. Irons. HEN. CL. ETC. (11): 1, vhc. Gough and Leach, nice buff, good subs., bit open in back; 2, Notley, buff, lovely qual., tight as wax, good col.; 3, he. Irons, yell., nice cond., full of qual., typical; res. Hall; vhc. Lees; he. Ferrisby; c. Bott, Gayton. CL. ETC. YELL. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Watson, might be tighter in feather, should improve; 2, Irons, grizzle, very promising, should make a good one; 3, Midgeley, fine yell., high col., good qual., some thought might have gone up; res. Ferrisby, vhc. Bounds; he. Goosey; c. Stockwin, Bott. BUFF (11): 1, 2, Irons, very nice cl., lovely cond., fine subs., 2 cl., nice one, close up; 3, Watson, well mealied, good subs., well across perch; res. Lees; vhc. Gough and Leach, Gayton; he. Tansley; c. Midgeley. NAT. COL. (7): 1, res. Gayton, fine cond., plenty of subs.; 2, no name; 3, vhc. Hobbs. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE (16): 1, vhc. Mills, fine Crest leading; 2, Hepwood, Crest; 3, res. c. Edwards; vhc. Andrews; he. Wilnot, Warner, Worsley; c. Mrs. Bridgwater. SELL (19): 1, Mills; 2, he. Groom; 3, Mason; res. Stockwin; vhc. Bounds, Bull, Notley; he. Gayton, Foster; c. Gayton, Wilnot, Dimmock. BRIT. (13): 1, Burrows; 2, Hepwood; 3, Bull; res. King; vhc. Watson, Tabor; he. Warner, Wyatt; c. Andrews, Wilnot. MEMB. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (8): 1, Isom; 2, Bounds; 3, Gayton; res. Watson; vhc. Mason, sen.; he. Mason, jun.; c. Fisher. BUFF (6): 1, sp, 2, Watson; 3, Isom; res. Bounds; vhc. Gayton; he. Mason, sen. UNEVEN, ETC. (9): 1, res. Watson; 2, vhc. Gayton; 3, Bounds; he. Isom; c. Mason, sen. HEN (6): 1, Watson; 2, Bounds; 3, Gayton; res. Isom; vhc. Mason; c. Hobbs. NAT. COL. (6): 1, he. Isom; 2, res. Hobbs; 3, Gayton; vhc. Mason. A.O.V. CAN. OR MULE (6): 1, Mason, jun.; 2, Hobbs; 3, Mason, sen. BRIT.: 1, 3, Hobbs; 2, res. Fisher.

METROPOLITAN C.B.A.

Annual show, Kelyvedon Hall, Nov. 7, a well lighted room, very cosy. An energetic sec. and chairman, and an equally helpful committee went far to make things run pleasantly and smoothly. Entries, although good, were not quite up to the average. Depression is a mistake, as the sure way to keep the flag flying is to keep the members' shows in full swing. Mr. H. F. Bowring, hon. sec., was most courteous and kind to all, and deserves credit for the way in which he carried out the show. There was a splendid entry of Yorks., quality also being A1. Norwich were not so numerous, but there were one or two 'ripe peaches' staged nevertheless. Borders also were an excellent show, although without close criticism, we could not quite follow the judge's award of the special, our choice being the yellow hen, a really nice one. British birds made quite a nice show, some smart Bramblings, Linnets, Goldies, and Siskins being staged. The show was generally pronounced a success. Mr. J. E. Shepard judged. Special winners: Best Nor., Gregory, for a smart yellow; best Yorks., Easterling, for a typical lovely feathered unbuff, yell.; best Border, Green, a natty little yellow cock; best Brit., Larking, with a well mtd. and rich coloured Bramble.

CHAMP. NOR.: The 10 classes contained only 5 entries, all Whitmore. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc. Easterling, leader a slasher, must have given the special winner a tyeing up; 2, Hall, hardly the length, but very smart; 3, Whitmore, neat, just a trifle open at chest; he. Hall; c. Jeffreys. BUFF: 1, 2, Easterling, full size and rare style, good in feather; 3, Hall, nicely tapered, hardly so good in leg. HEAVILY MKD. OR GR.: 1, 2, Easterling, smart ones, leader varieg yell. HENS. YELL.: 1, he. Easterling, very good pos. nicely modelled; 2, 3, Hall, stylish and ladylike. BUFF: 1, vhc. Easterling, fine pos., tight plumage, lovely shape; 2, 3, Hall, former very quick mover, latter we liked much. HEAVILY MKD., ETC.: 1, King, neat and stylish; 2, vhc. Easterling, rattling varieg.; 3, Hall, smaller, but stylish. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, vhc. sp. best Yorks., Easterling, rich feathered bird, of good length; 2, 3, Hall, very nice birds, of good breed points; he. c. Jeffreys. BUFF: 1, vhc. Hall, grand varieg.; 2, Whitmore, very typical; 3, Whitman, neat; he. Easterling; c. King. HENS. YELL.: 1, Whitmore, tall, rather feather; 2, King, lovely cinn. tkd., well Easterling; BUFF: 1, Easterling; 2, he. Hall; 3, Whitmore; vhc. King, all very close to the Yorks. standard in most points. CRESTS: 1, 2, Jeffreys, varieg., little to choose. BORD., 6 classes, and 4 entries, all Plank, very jaunty and close feathered. NOV. NOR., 5 classes, with but 4 entries. Mr. P. Gregory annexed the prizes in yell. and buff cocks, and Mr. Robertson 1st and 2nd in unbuff. YORKS. YELL. CL. OR TKD.: 1, Piggins; 2, Slade; 3, Bowring, all clean cut birds, of nice feather. BUFF: 1, Bowring, grand style, well on the leg; 2, 3, Slade. HENS. YELL.: 1, Robertson; 2, Bowring; 3, Piggins, winner rare style, but a trifle strong. BUFF: 1, Slade; 2, Piggins, neat and quick movers. HEAVILY MKD., ETC.: 1, 3, Piggins, leader nice back, stands well up; 2, Slade. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc. he. Bowring, promising; 2, Slade, neat and nervy; 3, c. Piggins. BORD. YELL.: 1, vhc. section sp. Green; 2, he. Piggins; 3, Harrison. BUFF: 1, Green; 2, Piggins; 3, c. Harrison, all typical and nice feather. HENS. YELL.: 1, 3, Green, former a grand little hen that must have given the winner of sp. a fright; 2, Piggins, very sweet and jaunty; vhc. Harrison. BUFF: 1, Piggins, level and good carr.; 2, Green, just a trifle slacker in feather; 3, Harrison, neat. GOLDF.: 1, Newberry, nice and hard in feather; 2, Hall, best face, rich col. BULL.: 1, Garrud, nice breast fac. GREENF.: 1, Hall, good size, but a trifle dark; 2, vhc. Mrs. Jeffreys, we thought best col., and rare size; 3, he. Garrud, close feather. LINNET, ETC.: 1, vhc. Hall, really nice Linnet; 2, Thomas, smart little Lesser Redpoll; 3, Larking, well mtd. Linnet; he. c. Garrud. A.O.S. SEED-EATER: 1, Larking, grand Brambling, sown section sp.; 2, c. Garrud, rattling Siskin, beautiful marking and bib; 3, Hall, Yell. Bunting, not yet at its best; vhc. Easterling; he. Thomas. SOFTBILLS: 1, Larking, nicely spotted Song Thrush. HENS: 1, Garrud, Brambling; 2, Hall, Chalcid. FOR.: 1, Larking, very sweet Himalayan Goldie, remarkably nice bird.

Leicester Has Wonderful Record Show.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. held its 15th annual show Nov. 6-7. Entries proved absolutely a record for the society, and quality was of the very best. The large room in which the exhibits were staged is lofty and well lighted, but was severely taxed for space on account of the good entry. As usual Norwich were a show in themselves; there has never been such a show of the cobby ones held here before. Messrs. S. Cook, Houghton, Thomas, Crawshaw, and Vardy had very good teams out, which, of course, were all staged to perfection. Norwich Greens were quite good classes. The two classes for Yorkshire had some splendid exhibits. British were capital classes, and many well-known winners were on view. Hybrids also were grand classes. Quite a new exhibitor came along with the finest Bullie-Greene seen for a long while. There was some sharp competition in claims to obtain this specimen. The birds were all splendidly staged and looked after in the very best style. The society should be very proud of their hard-working and willing secretary—Mr. A. Freestone—who worked hard and well the whole of the day, and had things carried out in perfect order, being backed up by a splendid committee, including Mr. W. A. Gibbin (president), Messrs. Dulso, Noakes and Wood (vice-presidents), and Messrs. Sturgess, Lamdon, Allen, Jolley, Hale, Hayce, Pole, Moores, Kilsby, Gilbert, Herbert, Walton, with Mr. F. Peberdy as treasurer. Mr. J. Trengove judged Canaries, Mr. H. J. Chick Brit. and Hyb.

NOR. NAV. COL. (18): 1, Judd, grand bedied cl. buff, wonderful shape and size, nice broad head, good wing carr., nice feather and bloom; 2, Muddiman, varieg. yell., nice body, web bit too long, good shape and col., nice feather and qual., fine cond.; 3, Hathaway, cl. buff, wonderful feather and cond., perfect shape, lovely qual., neatly carried wings and tail; vhc. Fox; he. Pole; c. Gilbert. YELL. (19): 1, Houghton, beautiful cl., very hot col., splendid shape and size, grand head and neck, rare body, in lovely feather and cond.; 2, 3, Joe Thomas, cl. leading, lovely feather and qual., splendid broad head, well filled in neck, beautifully carried wings and tail, faultlessly staged; 3, Head, tkd., beautiful feather, gem for shape and size, good qual., splendid head, wide back and chest, A1 form; vhc. Irons; he. Vardy; c. Hale. BUFF (21): 1, Cook, cl., we think Manchester and Liverpool winner, wonderful size and shape, in beautiful feather, easy win; 2, First, grand size and shape, lovely feather and qual., rare body, neat head and col.; 3, Thomas, cl., rare big bird, good body and size, splendid col. and qual., tip-top cond., very close up; vhc. Houghton; he. Hathaway; c. Vardy. VARIEG. YELL. (19): 1, Crawshaw, eye and wing mtd., grand shape and size, capital head, well filled in neck, beautiful feather, Manchester winner; 2, Vardy, neck and eye mtd., grand shape, good size, rare body, shines like satin, in grand feather and bloom; 3, Boaler, wonderful shaped head and wing mtd., beautiful col. and qual., rare size, grandly filled in neck, close up, very fit; vhc. Turner; he. Midgley; c. Thomas. BUFF (15): 1, Houghton, grand shape and size, splendid col. and feather, rare head, well filled in neck, capital wings and tail, A1 style; 2, Crawshaw, wonderful body and col., grand shape, broad head, splendid wings, rare size, nice feather and qual.; 3, First, neck and wing mtd., lovely col. and shape, rare size, nice head, thick neck, short body, fit; vhc. Thomas; he. Hathaway; c. Wood. UNFLIG. YELL. (22): 1, Crawshaw, cl., wonderful shape, size and col., splendid qual. and feather, grand wings and tail, faultlessly shown; 2, Stubbs Bros., cl., grand all round, good qual. and feather, well filled in neck, good body and shape, close up; 3, First, varieg., nice body and col., good shape, nice head and neck, in rare order; vhc. Thomas; he. Sharman; c. Judd. BUFF (23): 1, Potter, cl., lovely shape, size and col., good head and body, lovely wings and tail, nice feather, very fit; 2, Vardy, cheek mtd., very hot col., splendid head and neck, good shape and size, beautiful qual., rare feather; 3, Stubbs Bros., cl., lovely bird, wonderful col. and shape, rare size, neat head, well filled in neck, faultlessly shown; vhc. Hulise; he. Grouddridge Bros.; c. Fielding. GREEN, ETC. (16): 1, 2, Lawson, grand birds, beautifully shown, both grand shape and size, good heads and bodies, very little between them, in rare order; 3, Waters, broken, good shape and body, nice size, A1 col. and head, rare feather; vhc. Hathaway; he. Walton; c. Boulter; absent. Yates. HEN. YELL. (10): 1, Cook, cl., grand size and shape, nice broad head, good body, neatly carried wings and tail, well across perch, A1 cond.; 2, Vardy, head and cheek mtd., grand body, shape, size and col., rare qual. and feather, good head, very fine cond.; 3, Freestone, head and wing mtd., good shape and body, neat head, well filled in neck, A1 feather and cond., close up; vhc. Thomas; he. Boaler; c. Day. BUFF (18): 1, Cook, cl., model for shape and size, nice head and neck, good body, well carried wings and tail, nice carr., rare feather; 2, Wood, cl., lovely shape, good size, rare body, splendid feather and qual., neat head, well shaped neck and well filled in, close up; 3, Thomas, beautiful col., rare head and neck, neat wings and tail, rare feather and qual., grand cond., close up; vhc. Houghton; he. c. Vardy. UNFLIG. HEN (28): 1, Cook, varieg. buff, lovely head and body, splendid shape, well filled in neck, rare wings, good carr.; 2, ex. 3, Stubbs Bros., leader tkd. yell., wonderful col. and shape, rare size, capital head, neck and qual., splendid feather and cond., close up; 3rd, wing mtd. yell., lovely body and subs., A1 col. and type, grand shape, in lovely feather; 3, Hulise, tail mtd. buff, grand col. and shape, rare size and qual., good head, broad front, splendid cond.; vhc. Vardy; he. Turner; c. Fielding. YORKS. YELL. (17): 1, First, most perfect cl., grand length, good shape, grand pos., neat head, in beautiful feather, lovely qual.; 2, Dykes, cl., very close up, very slim and upstanding, grand head, well filled in neck, beautifully carried wings and tail, nice pos.; 3, Potts, eye and wing tkd., grand shape, nice length, good body and col., lovely pos. and qual.; vhc. Foster; he. c. Sayless. BUFF (10): 1, North, cl., model for size and length, beautiful col. and qual., rare head and neck, grand feather, faultlessly staged; 2, Moffatt, cl., very slim, grand legs, nice piped tail, lovely shape, good head, nice col. and feather; 3, Foster, cl., very hot col., grand qual., rare shape, nice wings and tail, good head, A1 cond., very fit; vhc. Dykes; he. First; c. King. A.O.V. (11): 1, Barker, varieg. D.C., grand size and shape, nice neat crest, good centre, grand feather and qual., fine cond.; 2, 3, Edwards, 2nd very large and massive Green C.B., good shape, plenty of feather, good

subs., in A1 form; 3rd, varieg. D.C., good crest, nice body, grand feather and bloom, close up; vhc. c. Gilbert; he. Carter. NOR. NOV. YELL. (27): 1, Brown, eye and back mtd., splendid size and shape, rare col. and cond., nice head, well filled in neck, grandly staged; 2, Bond, cl., grand shape, size and col., nice head, good subs., well carried body, nice wings and tail; 3, Shirley, cl., good body and qual., nice head and eye, rare shape, good carr., nice feather; ex. 3, Faux, cl., grand shape, nice size, well carried wings and tail, A1 col., qual. and cond.; vhc. Cook and Sons; he. Bell; c. Dickinson. BUFF (35): 1, Broom, cl., grand shape and size, good col. and feather, broad head, well filled in neck, neatly carried wings and tail, A1 style; 2, Faux, eye and wing tkd., grand shape, size and col., splendid feather and cond., very close up; 3, Shirley, cl., monster for size, grand shape and qual., nice head and body, good wings and tail, well shown; ex. 3, Farmer, cl., well made up, good subs., nice body, rare col., in splendid feather and bloom; vhc. Brown; he. Cook and Sons; c. Dickinson. HEN (34): 1, Lewis, cl., buff, grand size and shape, neat head and neck, grand wings and tail, splendid feather and cond., A1 style, good win; 2, Dickinson, wing mtd. yell., nice head and neck, grand qual., beautiful feather and qual., splendidly shown; 3, Carrington, cl. buff, splendid body, grand subs., good shape and size, good broad front, neat head, fine cond.; ex. 3, Foxon, cl. yell., nice size and shape, good col. and qual., splendid feather and cond.; vhc. Hewitt; he. Bond; c. Broom. LIGHT CAN. HYB. (8): 1, 3, vhc. he. Martin and Archer, 1st cl. Linnet-Can., grand shape and size, in lovely feather and cond., a noted winner; 3rd, cl. Goldf-Can., in the usual form, very close up; 2, Hart, cheek mtd. Greenie-Can., wonderful size, lovely feather and qual., faultless cond.; c. Lawrence. DARK (15): 1, Wilson, Bullie-Can., very hot col., good size and shape, splendid feather and cond.; 2, Ford, Greenie-Can., grand col. and shape, nice size, beautiful feather and qual., in A1 cond.; 3, he. Lawrence, good-sized Goldf-Can., rare shape, grand feather and qual., very close up; vhc. Hayter; c. Parlett. HYB. (13): 1, Welsh, quite a new face, one of the best Bullie-Greens seen for many days, claimed twice at 45.5s., in wonderful form; 2, Martin and Archer, Greenf-Chall., grand feather, size and shape, splendid col. and feather, nice head, A1 cond.; 3, Gilbert, Chaff-Bramble, beautiful cond., very close up; vhc. Bowyer; he. Hayter; c. Judd. SELL. PAIRS, 30s. 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LINNET (14): 1, Parlett, well pencilled, good size, very steady but looking a bit down, and lucky to beat 2, Cottingham, beautifully pencilled, grand shape and size, nice feather and cond., easy winner; 3, Ford, grand shape and size, nice head, very steady, lovely feather and cond., some thought might have been 2nd; vhc. Judd; he. Dalton; c. Smith. GREENE, ETC. (22): 1, c. Fairhurst, very large, typical Greenie, steady, beautiful col. and shape, nice feather, easy win; 2, Cant, sweet little Siskin, grand cap and bib, good size and shape, lovely feather, qual. and cond.; 3, Wilson, Twit, grand shape and size, nicely mtd., good feather, lovely bloom; vhc. Hampson, Redpoll, good size; he. Ford. A.O.V. (17): 1, Bull, well-known Hawfinch, in perfect feather, grand head and bib, shines like satin, perfect cond., easy win in a good class; 2, Hayter, Corn Bunting, not looking very well, good shape, nice feather and bloom; 3, Parlett, Bramble, grand size and shape, perfect mks., rack head, grand feather and bloom; vhc. Ford; he. Dalton; c. Cottingham. MEMB. NOR. (14): 1, Lamdon and Start, varieg. buff, good shape and size; 2, Palmer, grand cl. buff; 3, Hughes, cl. yell., lovely feather; vhc. Barrett; he. Cobley; c. Herbert. UNFLIG. (17): 1, c. Herbert, cl. yell., grand col. and shape; 2, he. Lamdon and Start, varieg., good shape and size; 3, Birch, well shown buff; vhc. Butler. HEN (18): 1, Hulbert, cl. yell., in lovely cond.; 2, Henney, cl. buff, in rare order, close up; 3, Herbert, varieg. yell., good feather and qual.; vhc. Palmer; he. Roberts; c. Barrett. GREEN, ETC. (5): 1, Parnell; 2, Lamdon and Start; 3, Henney; vhc. Jolley; he. Holland.

WINDSOR C.B.A.

Successful Show, Guildhall, Windsor, Oct. 28. Entries came up well, the hall being well filled. Yorkshire are the favorites, and they made quite an imposing display. Mr. Simms was the chief exhibitor in the Norwich section, his grand buff securing 1st and special. A few good British were on view, also a nice collection of Foreign, sent in by Dr. Ansler, not for competition. These naturally attracted considerable attention from the many visitors who quite filled the hall during the day. Chief special winners were Messrs. King, Turner, Clarke, Montgomery, Buckingham, Cooper, Tilly, Wiggins, Simms, and Mrs. Philcox. The silver cup for most points was secured by Mr. King. Mr. H. Nonan judged.

YORKS. CL. CK.: 1, Buckingham; 2, Cooper; 3, Frisby; 4, Mrs. Philcox; vhc. he. c. King. HEN: 1, 4, Cooper; 2, 3, Turner; vhc. Buckingham; he. c. King. BUFF CK.: 1, vhc. Turner; 2, King; 3, Buckingham; 4, Montgomery; he. Cooper; c. Frisby. HEN: 1, 3, King; 2, Frisby; 4, Buckingham; vhc. Montgomery; he. Belcher. A.O.V.: 1, Clarke; 2, Goldsmith; 3, Montgomery; 4, Simms; vhc. Mrs. Philcox; he. c. Turner. UNFLIG.: 1, Buckingham; 2, Montgomery; 3, 4, King. BUFF: 1, Cooper; 2, 4, King; 3, he. Turner; c. Goldsmith. A.O.V.: 1, Buckingham; 2, Montgomery; 3, Goldsmith; 4, Frisby. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Simms; 4, Belcher. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Tilly. A.O.V.: 1, 4, Goldsmith; 2, 3, Bower. NOV. YORK. CK.: 1, 2, Wiggins; 3, Tilly; 4, Mrs. Philcox. HEN: 1, 2, Mrs. Philcox; 3, Wiggins. UNFLIG.: 1, Wiggins; 2, Mrs. Philcox; 3, 4, Higley. NOR.: 1, Logan; 2, vhc. Higley; 3, 4, Tilly. GOLDF.: 1, vhc. Tilly; 2, 4, W. G. Clarke; 3, he. W. H. Clarke. BULLF.: 1, Tilly; 2, Logau; 3, Wiggins; 4, Simms. A.O.V. HARD.: 1, 3, Montgomery; 2, Buckingham; 4, vhc. he. Clarke; c. Tilly. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Simms. HYB.: 1, 3, Buckingham; 2, Tilly; 4, he. Clarke; c. Montgomery. A.O.V.: 1, Rutter; 2, Crow; 3, Crispo. A.O.V. BRIT.: 1, 2, Mrs. Whitehead. CHILDREN'S: 1, Merryman; 2, Wright; 3, Boyle; 4, Wright; vhc. Martin; he. Hunt.

NORWICH ALLIANCE C.B.A.

This year, through the war, it was deemed advisable by the Committee to hold a Members' instead of an Open Show. The response from members was exceedingly good, and just over 400 entries were made. The Chairman of the Association (Mr. J. J. Smith), with only eight entries, secured six 1sts and two seconds. There were birds, especially in ticked buff cocks, of grand substance, true type and carrying magnificent head. Clear yellow and buff ticked hens were beautifully shown. In champions the true Norwich type was very marked, while the Novices came out with marked success. Crests and Crest-breds were undoubtedly the best seen for many years, and Mr. A. Woollard's buff Crested cock carried all in front of him, winning special for best Crest. Evidently Crests and Crest-breds are coming very much in evidence here, and specimens which only a few years ago would have been noticed stood carelessly. Birds were given by members of the Association for the benefit of the Lord Mayor's Fund, and these were sold by auction by Mr. Fred Nash on the first day of the show. The sale was very successful, and thanks are due to those fanciers who so generously gave their specimens to the good cause. The show was admirably carried out, thanks to the ability and perseverance of Mr. E. C. St. Quintin, who was ably assisted by the Committee. Messrs. W. E. Greeves and J. Mackley judged to the satisfaction of the exhibitors.

NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, Howard and Sons; 3, Starke; 4, Baker. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Shearing; 3, George; 4, Howard and Sons; vhc. Starke. TAD. YELL.: 1, Howard and Sons; 2, Smith; 3, vhc. Starke; 4, George; he. Ebbage. BUFF: 1, Thurston; 2, Ebbage; 3, Starke; 4, Hall; vhc. Howard and Sons; he. George. YELL.: 1, 3, Smith; 3, Starke; 4, Shearing; vhc. George; he. Howard and Sons; c. Ebbage. BUFF: 1, Smith; 2, Howard and Sons; 3, Starke; 4, Page; vhc. George; he. Sudd; c. Hall. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, Smith; 2, Leggett; 4, vhc. Horth; he. Howard and Sons; c. Woollard. BUFF: 1, 3, Smith; 2, vhc. Horth; 4, Ebbage; he. Hart; c. George. NON-FED YELL.: 1, Smith; 2, Thurston; 3, Smith; 4, Starke; vhc. Daynes; he. Russell. BUFF: 1, 4, Thurston; 2, Smith; 3, Browne; vhc. Sudd; he. Ebbage; c. Baker. LIMIT, 25s.: 1, Dale; 2, Mitchell; 3, he. Starke; 4, Ebbage; vhc. Pattingale; c. Howard and Sons. 15s.: 1, Horth; 2, vhc. Ebbage; 3, Mitchell; 4, Baker; he. Starke; c. Shearing. HENS, 15s.: 1, 2, Ebbage; 3, Daynes; 4, c. Starke; vhc. Mitchell; he. Browne. UNFLIG., 25s.: 1, 2, King; 3, he. Starke; 4, Howard and Sons. NOVICE, NOR. YELL.: 1, Pitt; 2, Pattingale; 3, vhc. King; 4, Thurston; he. c. Ruding. BUFF: 1, 2, King; 3, Leggett; 4, vhc. Dix; he. Pattingale; c. Dunn. YELL.: 1, King; 2, Dunn; 3, Dix; 4, Pitt; vhc. Clarke; he. Lawn; c. Harrison. BUFF: 1, Dunn; 2, Ruding; 3, Thurston; 4, Smith; vhc. c. King; he. Dale. CINN. YELL.: 1, Shearing; 2, 3, Daynes; 4, Hall. BUFF: 1, Hall; 2, 3, Daynes. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Mitchell. YELL.: 1, Pauling; 2, 3, Burrage; 4, Clapham; vhc. Gilbert; he. Russell; c. Page. CL.: 1, Carlton; 2, Lawn; 3, Sudd. BUFF CK.: 1, 3, Woollard; 2, Revell; 4, Cubitt; vhc. c. Carlton; he. Sudd. HEN: 1, Pauling; 2, vhc. Carlton; 3, Burrage; 4, Page. C.B. YELL.: 1, Gilbert; 2, 4, Clapham; vhc. Gilbert; he. Page; he. Cubitt; c. Russell. BUFF: 1, Howard and Sons; 2, Sudd; 3, he. Clapham; 4, Howard and Sons. HEN: 1, Carlton; 2, 4, Brundall; 3, Cubitt; he. Clapham. NON-FLIG.: 1, 4, Cubitt; 2, Page; 3, Brundall; vhc. Woollard; he. Sudd; c. Pitt. C.B. NON-FLIG.: 1, Hall; 2, Cubitt; 3, vhc. Carlton; 4, Brundall; c. Burrage. SELL, 15s.: 1, he. Revell; 2, Hart; 3, Browne; 4, Starke; vhc. Hall; c. Burrage. A.O.V.: 1, Mitchell; 2, Carlton. NOV., CREST BUFF: 1, 4, vhc. Russell; 2, Pitt; 3, Garner. HEN: 2, Lawn. C.B. BUFF: 1, Pitt; 2, 3, Russell; 4, Lawn; c. Smith. HEN: 1, Cozens; 2, Pitt; 3, Garner; 4, Russell. MULES: 1, Cooper; 2, 3, Lawn; 4, vhc. he. c. King. GOLDF. AND BULLF.: 1, 3, King; 2, Lawn; 4, Addison; vhc. Gilbert; he. Cooper. A.O. FINCH: 1, 2, 3, 4, Cooper; vhc. Browne. BUNTING: 1, Cooper. PARROTS: 1, 2, Smith. A.O.S.: 1, 3, vhc. he. c. Smith; 2, 4, Cooper. GIFT: 1, Pitt; 2, Ebbage; 3, King; 4, Cooper; 5, George; vhc. Mitchell, Carlton; he. Pattingale. Cooper; c. Shearing, Browne. BEST PLAINHEAD: Smith. BEST CREST: Woollard.

CLAY CROSS C.B.S.

Show, Oct. 24, Angel Hotel. Entries, numbering 75, turned up exceedingly well considering the bad weather and the distance most of our exhibitors have to come. Mr. A. Wilson judged owing to Mr. Simms being indisposed, and his awards were received with satisfaction.

CHAMP. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Bircunshaw; 2, Harrison. BUFF: 1, Bircunshaw. YELL. HEN: 1, Harrison; 2, Bircunshaw. BUFF: 1, 3, Bircunshaw; 2, Harrison. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, spl. best Champ. Nor., Bircunshaw. UNFLIG. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Bircunshaw. HEN: 1, 2, Bircunshaw. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Lanckham. HEN: 1, 2, Lanckham. BUFF HEN: 1, 2, spl. best Champ. Yorks., Lanckham. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, Lanckham; vhc. Bunce. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, vhc. Lanckham; 3, Bunce. BUFF: 1, Evans. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, Evans; 2, Harrison. GREENFL. OR LINNET: 1, vhc. Bunce; 2, Harrison; 3, he. c. Lanckham. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, spl. for best Brit., Evans; 3, Carrington; vhc. Tooley. NOV., NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Bunce; 2, 3, Evans; vhc. Carrington. BUFF: 1, Evans; 2, Tooley; 3, vhc. Carrington. YELL. HEN: 1, Carrington; 2, Bunce. BUFF: 1, 2, vhc. Carrington; 3, Evans. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, spl. best Novice, Tooley; 2, Carrington. BUFF: 1, Tooley; 2, Carrington; 3, vhc. Hayes. YELL. HEN: 1, Evans. BUFF: 1, 2, Carrington. MULES OR HYB.: 1, 2, Evans. Cups for most points during 1914: Mr. J. Lanckham won Champion Cup and Mr. W. Evans Novice—J. Griffiths, Sec.

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BRECHIN'S RECORD OF OVER 500 BIRDS.

Brechin C.B.S. held its 51st annual show Nov. 7, in the Temperance Hall, an ideal place for such an exhibition. Entries numbered 40, a record for Brechin. The Secy, Mr. Crabb, had everything well in hand, and although this is his first venture as Secretary he carried out his duties very successfully. President Mr. Finlayson and Vice-Pres. Mr. Craig saw to the dispatching of the birds, and were well backed up by a hard-working Committee. Cup for best Norwich was won by Mr. A. Maxwell, Glasgow, with his unlighted yellow cock. Cup for best Border, Mr. J. Paterson, Chirnside, with a nice bull cock. Rose bowl for most points in British, Black and Hendrie, Brechin; B.F.C.C. medal, Mr. J. Paterson; R.F.C.C. Novice medal, Mr. E. Lyall, Brechin. The judges were: Nor., Mr. E. Paterson, Glasgow; Bord., Mr. J. Hamilton, Eskbank; Brit., Mr. C. Sykes, Musselburgh, and their awards gave general satisfaction. The show stewards (Messrs. Hodgey, Burnett and Robertson) proved themselves capable of fulfilling their duty. Marked catalogues were in the hall 10 minutes after the judges had finished, which fanciers thought very smart work.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Mitchell, good round head, nice front, rich col.; 2, Gibson, not a shade but in head, nice type and qual.; 3, Taylor, bold front, nice qual, sweet exhibit; vhc. Gardner; he, Brand; e, Forrest. BUFF (8): 1, spl. runner up to cup winner, Mitchell, large, wide round, nice back and wings, nicely mated; 2, Gibson, similar type, bold front, nice cond.; 3, spl. Forrest, Fortar winner, nice type and qual, rather wild today; vhc. Craig; he, J. Adams; c, Noble. VAR. ETC. YELL. CK. (10): 1, spl. Will, nice round head, full neck, bold front, old winner, still looking well; 2, Smith, good type and qual, nice col, shade narrow to bean; 3, Cardence, nice head and front, hardly ready yet; vhc. Tronside; he, Jarris; c, Taylor. BUFF (11): 1, Allison, good head, bold front, rich col., nicely mated, gets its proper place today; 2, Kennedy, good size and shape, full head and neck, not quite so nice in qual as leader; 3, Robertson, highly mtd., nice round, good cond.; vhc. Bell; he, Skinner; r, Pirie. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, spl. Harris, sweet head, good size and style, bold front, good cond.; 2, Maxwell, nice head and neck, rich front, good wings; 3, Gibson, similar type, rich col. and qual.; vhc. Gardner; he, Pirie; c, Smith. HUFF (10): 1, Gibson, neat head, short thick body, nicely mated, in good order; 2, Allison, fine head and neck, bold front, rich col.; 3, Maxwell, sweet head, bold front, nice qual, close up; vhc. Craig; he, Gardner; c, Steven. VAR. ETC. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Tronside, rightly mtd., large bold front, short and thick body, barely ready yet; 2, Gardner, nice head, fine front, pale in col.; 3, Harris, similar type, nice col., little wild; vhc. Bell; he, Mitchell; c, Noble. BUFF (8): 1, Adams, neat head, fine wide front, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Anderson, heavy var., sweet type and qual.; 3, spl. Grewar, fine head and neck, good cond., close up; vhc. Gibson; he, Black; c, Myles. UNFLIG. CK. (20): 1, sup. 2, spl. Maxwell, cl. yell., nice head and neck, fine wide front, nicely carried wings, grand cond.; 2, Harris, cl. buff, round head, fine front, good order; 3, Allison, nice type and qual., lovely cond., presses; vhc. e, Mitchell; he, Grewar. HEN (18): 1, 2, Maxwell, leader yell. var., nice round head, fine front, fine qual. and col.; 2, cap mtd. buff, fine qual., nicely mated; 3, spl. Allison, cl. yell., sweet head, nice broad front, close up; vhc. Chalmers; he, Brand; c, Tronside. NAT. COL. CK. (7): 1, Grewar, foul yell., fine head, plenty subs., bold front, good col.; 2, McLeod, cl. buff, bold head and front, good size and qual.; 3, spl. Ritchie, foul green, nice col. and qual.; vhc. Woodhouse; he, A. Craig; c, Burnett. HEN (15): 1, spl. Winter, bull gr., large, bold fronted, fine col., throughout; 2, Gardner, cl. buff, short and thick, similar type, little between them; 3, vhc. e, Mitchell, nice type, not quite the subs.; he, Moffat. SELL. CK. (16): 1, J. Craig; 2, Dalgetty; 3, Hampton. HEN (12): 1, Kennedy; 2, Anderson; 3, J. Adams. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (20): 1, Hyslop, neat head, sweet front, rich even col.; 2, G. Bennett, shade pale in col., nice back and wings; 3, Craig, nice weight, fine cond., little wild; vhc. H. Bennett; he, Crabb and Finlayson; c, Rintoul. BUFF (21): 1, sup. B.F.C.C. medal, two spls., Paterson, tkd. head, lovely front, nicely filled in back, nice wings and tail, rich col., faultless order; 2, H. Bennett, neat head, nice qual., good round; 3, G. Bennett, shade heavier, lovely bloom; vhc. e, Craig; he, Crabb and Finlayson. VAR. YELL. CK. (18): 1, H. Bennett, mtd. eyes and wings, sweet head, fine qual., very rich col., shows rather much thigh; 2, Thomson, nice round head, fine front and back, close up; 3, spl. Ketchen, sweet shape, only fails in qual. to leaders; vhc. Auld; he, Craig; e, Dalgetty. BUFF (1): 1, 2, 3, spl., Craig, splendid lot, leader nearly even mark, sweet round head, nice front and back, carries wings well; 2, lightly mtd., similar type; 3, sweet exhibit, lovely carr., very little between them; vhc. H. Bennett; he, Smart; c, Hay. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, two spls., he, runner up to cup winner, Craig, sweet head and neck, lovely front and back, nice wings and col., well shown; 2, H. Bennett, fine type and qual., lovely carr., shade faulty wings; 3, Paterson, similar type, nice placed wings, little pale in col.; vhc. Wilson; c, Smart. BUFF (17): 1, Auld, neat type and qual.; 2, H. Bennett, nice shape and qual., rare movement, close up; 3, Hyslop, similar type, not quite so good in cond.; vhc. Craig; he, Paterson; c, G. Bennett. VAR. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Nov. medal, Lyall, cum. tok. fine qual., nice carr., sweet exhibit; 2, 3, e, Crabb and Finlayson, nice ones, similar type, sweet heads, rich col., close up; vhc. Craig; he, J. Stuart. BUFF (12): 1, Auld, lightly mtd., neat head, fine weight, nicely balanced, tips wings a little; 2, H. Bennett, nicely mtd., fine cond., shade thin, fine wings; 3, spl., Stirling, nice front and qual.; vhc. Ketchen; he, Craig; c, A. Robertson. EVEN MKD. (9): 1, vhc. Nicholson, nice equal eyes and wings, grand cond.; 2, G. Bennett, 6-pointed buff, nicely mtd., fine qual.; 3, spl. Rintoul, nice exhibit, lightly mtd., rich col.; he, Craig; c, Hay. GR. OR CINN. (10): 1, spl., 3, he, Thomson, gems, leader lovely yell. gr., grand shape, fine col. throughout, 2nd also yell., similar type, nice cond.; 2, Nicholson, nice yell. gr., just a shade heavier than leader; vhc. Whitlaw; c, Lambie. SELL. CK. (19): 1, Thomson; 2, Craig; 3, Crabb and Finlayson. HEN (23): 1, H. Bennett; 2, Crabb and Finlayson; 3, J. Paterson.

British were well up in quantity, and the quality was first rate. Mr. Crossley Sykes judged, and his awards were very well received.

HVB. (15): 1, G. Sanson, Lancel Bullie, all there for qual. nice bold bird, fine tone of col., pressed by 2nd, Watson, Goldf. Bullie, grand size and col., neat shape, scarcely finished yet; 3, Roy, rattling Greenie Mule, in the pink of road, grand even tone, shining like silk, hard luck to the 4 leaders; 4, Craig; 5, Black and Hendrie, GOLDF. (10): 1, Palmer, wins, fine size, well forward in condition, broad square blaze, neat cut, good tans and buttons;

2, Cranca, good one all over, but lacks polish yet; 3, Cummings, rather pale, yet a nice one; 4, Black, 5, Craig; 6, Adam. BILFE. (12): 1, Thomson, very stylish, fine col., neat cap, shining cond.; 2, Steele, similar in build, shade paler in col., good cap, still worth a place; 3, Black and Hendrie, best of feather and road, tails lyp, rich col.; 4, Cranca; 5, Greig; 6, Adam. SKIKIN (10): 1, Calder, will take some stopping, best of cap and lib, sweet col. and shape, wins hands down; 2, Fyfe, smaller shape, but loses 13p and col.; 3, Roy, very sweet one, rather too long; 4, Craig, good non-fed; 5, G. Black and Hendrie. REDD. OR TWITE (10): 1, Black and Hendrie, Twite, good size and cond., fair markings and col.; 2, Galloway, very good Lesser, in spanking order; 3, Steele, Mealy, correct type; 4, Lay; 5, Lambie; 6, Craig. LINNET (11): 1, Greig, nice size and shape, best of cond., shade open in front; 2, Steele, excellent cond., fine markings, rather wild; 3, McAville and Stewart, scarcely finished yet; 4, Palmer; 5, Adam; 6, Clark. GREENE. (14): 1, Cumming, wins on col. and cond., nice head and neck, staged to perfection; 2, Campbell, very stylish and in rare order; 3, Black and Hendrie, rather slimmer, good feather and col.; 4, 5, Dalgetty, will run leaders hand yet; 6, Fyfe. A.O.V. (20): 1, Towns, Redstar, staged in rare order, we think a new one from last year, very bright breast col., wins; 2, Galloway, Bramble, fine size, rather pale yet, will improve; 3, Greig, Yellowie, fine col. and markings; 4, Raith; 5, Weir; 6, Clark. FOR. (11): 1, 3, 4, 6, Arnold, well-known team, all in faultless order; 2, Roy; 5, Watson. SELL. BRIT. (18): 1, Fyfe; 2, 3, Watson; 4, Greig; 5, Reid; 6, Adam. GIFT (18): 1, Roberts credit on the members; 1, Mitchell; 2, Crabb and Finlayson; 3, Ritchie; 4, Dalgetty; 5, Taylor; 6, Smart.

KIRKBURTON. Nice little show held Oct. 31 in the Liberal Club, a cosy and well-lighted room, where all the birds could be seen to advantage. The secy, Mr. A. Scott, had all arrangements perfectly made, and everything worked satisfactorily. The six classes were all well supported, and quality generally was of a high standard. Mr. G. A. Townsend judged, and his awards were well received.

YORKS. CK. YELL. ETC. (9): 1, Everett; 2, he, Consins; 3, Beaumont; res. A. Radley; vhc. Hirst; r, E. Radley. HEN (10): 1, F. Taylor; 2, vhc. A. Radley; 3, Beaumont; vhc. Morley; he, Sandford; r, Taylor. K. BUFF. ETC. (6): 2, r, A. Radley; 3, Astley; vhc. Taylor; he, Consins. HEN (9): 1, Everett; 2, A. Radley; 3, P. Taylor; vhc. Astley; he, Hirst; c, A. Radley. YELL. ETC. UNFLIG. (20): 1, members' cup, Hill and Morley; 2, S. Morley; 3, e, Hirst; vhc. Taylor, Jebson; he, Consins, Sandford; c, Atkinson, Everett. BUFF (16): 1, G. H. Hirst; 2, Beaumont; 3, A. Radley; vhc. A. Taylor, Jebson; he, Fearuley; F. Taylor; c, Hill and Morley.

BRIGHTON. Brighton F.A. held its 23rd annual show in the Lecture Hall, North Road, Nov. 4 and 5. The entry was not over large, but some really good Norwich and Yorks. were on view. British classes were cancelled through lack of entries. Miles were a good lot, the winner being Mr. Howick's noted Canary-Bullie looking as well as ever. Mr. T. J. Ambrose judged.

NOR. CL.: 1, sp. Ollie, bonny buff, grand type and qual., good head and neck, nice compact wings; 2, vhc. Frost and Rogers, mtd. yell., rather slim, but nice type and qual.; 3, Miles, bouncing buff, red-hot col., good type and qual. TKD. ETC.: 1, sp. Ollie, 3-pointed buff, good head and neck, just a bit feilly on chest; 2, 3, res. Frost and Rogers, another nice 3-pointed buff, loses in subs.; 3rd, wing tkd. buff, might even have won; vhc. Miles. HEN: 1, sp. 3, Miles, topping cl. yell. leading, rare size, beautiful qual. and col.; 3rd, yell., not quite the subs., rare qual. and col.; 2, Ollie, bonny buff, nice and cobby, good head, neck and wings, loses a little in col.; vhc. Frost and Rogers. YORKS. CL.: 1, sp. Dandridge, bonny yell., feather like wax, good length, nice style; 2, 3, Frost and Rogers, another good yellow, not quite the length, must have pressed hard; 3rd, buff, hardly up in condition; vhc. Wall; he, Howick. TKD. ETC.: 1, sp. Wall, grand tkd. yell., nice style, beautiful wings and tail; 2, 3, vhc. Frost and Rogers; 2nd, neck mtd. buff, rather unsteady, but rare length and qual.; 3rd, Cinnamon mtd. yell., nice type and qual.; res. Howick. HEN: 1, sp. Nicholls, bonny cl. yell., nice length, a little thick at shoulders; 2, vhc. he, Frost and Rogers, sweet buff, rare length and style, nice head and wings; 3, Dandridge, nice buff, good head. NON FED: 1, sp. 3, Marriott, two lovely Borders, nice type, good carr.; 2, res. Rev. Miller; 2, Cinn. mtd. Yorks., good type; vhc. Frost and Rogers; he, e, Luther French. NOV.: 1, sp. vhc. he, Miss Townsend, cl. yell. Nor., in faultless cond.; 2, Pinyon, nice green crest, good frontal; 3, Luther French, grand-buff. Nor.; res. Marshall. MULE OR HYB.: 1, sp. 2, Howick, Canary-Bullie; 1st, noted Palace winner, in grand fetter; 2nd, smaller, and loses col. to 1st; 3, Plummer Bros., grand dark Goldie Mule; res Miles; vhc. Ollie; he, Norman; c, Smith. SELL.: 1, 3, Townsend; 2, Gale.

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KIRKINTILLOCH.

Annual show, Nov. 7, in the Temperance Hall, a very suitable one for the purpose, leaving abundance of light and being free from draughts. Entries totalled about 50 and were really staged. Quality was all that could be desired, Norwich being the mainstay, as was expected, this quarter being noted for this variety. The 12 open classes were well filled. Brock challenge cup for best young bird was won by Mr. D. Peritt with a champion yellow Plainhead, a bird with a bright future. Cup most points in Nor., A. Chalmers; cup, ditto, Brill, Jas. Quinn; cup, ditto, Borders, Aitken Bros. The secretarial duties were in the very capable hands of that genial and well-known old fancier, Mr. Jas. Dick, who had all the arrangements in good order. He was ably assisted by such capable fanciers as the president, Mr. D. Thom; vice-pres., Mr. D. Peritt; committee, Messrs. J. McLay, A. Chalmers, A. Marlin, J. Stewart, J. Findlay, and J. Chalmers. Unfortunately Mr. Calderwood, the appointed judge, was unable to appear, owing to illness. Mr. Andrew Sloan (Glasgow) acting in his stead, took Nor. and Cross, and Mr. Dan Hamilton the remainder. Their awards were well received.

OPEN. CREST: 1, McLay, Green, wonderful crest, very neat centre, fine droop, good size; 2, McCliment, Green Crest, cl. body, fine size and sub., neat centre, good length of feather; 3, 4, Donaldson, varieg., nice crest, good texture; 5, McLay; 6, Chalmers. CREST-BRED: 1, McCliment, cl. grand head, fine length of feather, good entrance; 2, 3, McLay, 2nd varieg., rare head, good size and sub., 3rd also very fine bird; 4, 5, Chalmers. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Chalmers, cl., rare size, col., and qual., fine head, grand fronted bird, leads well in a good class; 2, Martin, grand rolyby shape, fine head and neck, neat wings and tail; 3, Woodhouse, very typical, good size, col. and cond.; 4, Peritt; 5, Taylor; 6, Dunlop. YELL. HEN: 1, Chalmers, grand round head and full neck, rare hold front, well up in size, lovely qual.; 2, Martin, another good one, close up, line head, neck, and front; 3, French, grand size and col., trifle rough; 4, Barrie; 5, Headley; 6, McCliment. BUFF HEN: 1, Martin, very typical, excellent qual., fine Sahuon tint, rare deep front, grand hen; 2, Taylor, better size, good head and neck, just lacks qual.; 3, 6, Dick, 3rd varieg., neat shape, fine head, good qual.; 4, Woodhouse; 5, McCliment. BUFF CK.: 1, Chalmers, great size and sub., fine head and neck, rare col., could be better staged; 2, Martin, close up, Glasgow 2nd, well made bird, excellent qual.; 3, Mathieson, fine size and qual.; 4, French, Glasgow winner, rare good bird, might have gone up; 5, Woodhouse; 6, Dick. NON-FED: 1, 3, Martin, 1st tkd. yell., fine size, col., qual. and cond., grand head and front, wins, 3rd varieg., excellent qual. and cond., well placed; 2, Peritt, rare cobby-shaped buff, good front and qual.; 4, Woodhouse; 5, 6, Findlay. BORDER YELL. CK.: 1, Haddow, well-known even mtd. Palace winner, looking well, grand qual. and cond., sweet shape; 2, Baxter, Green, neatly made, well braced wings and tail, rich col.; 3, Irvine, typical cl. best of wings and tail, close feather; 4, Barrie; 5, Blair; 6, Dick. BUFF CK.: 1, Baxter, cinn. gem, great qual. and cond., pure col., fine weight; 2, Findlay, cl. sweetly made, rare good qual., splendid carr.; 3, Irvine, var., rich qual., well braced wings, well put down; 4, Swan; 5, Dick; 6, Blair. YELL. HEN: 1, Baxter, eye mtd., beauty, lovely qual., col. and cond., well laid wings and tail, wins well; 2, Barrie, Green, very rich even col., excellent qual. and cond.; 3, Blair, cl., lovely qual., fine carr., typical; 4, Dick; 5, Findlay; 6, Reid. BUFF HEN: Fine lot here; 1, Haddow, almost even cinn. mtd., splendid qual., col. and cond., good one; 2, Baxter, Green, sweetly made, rich col., excellent wings, faultless cond., close up; 3, Barrie, Green again, excellent col., fine carr., well staged; 4, Swan; 5, Irvine; 6, Findlay. BRIT. A.V. HARBILL: 1, 2, 6, Dick, 1st Bramble, good size, shape, col., and cond., nice mantle, wins; 2nd, Yellow Bunting, very rich col., good size and cond., scarcely finished yet; 3, MeAusland, very fine Chaffinch, good size, shape, and col., grand whites; 4, Reid; 5, Brown.

CONFINED. YOUNG CREST: 1, 5, Chalmers, Green, has making of a stormer; 2, 4, Donaldson, grand youngster, great size and headpiece; 3, McCliment, varieg., fine dome crest; 6, McLay. C.B.: 1, 3, McLay, 1st varieg., grand bird, excellent entrance and lashing, 3rd plenty of feather; 2, McCliment, better size and sub., behind in lashing;

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Meeting Oct. 20, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie rd., a good turn-out present, Mr. A. W. Watson chair. Estimate from Leith Printing Co. for classification forms and catalogues was accepted. Letter read from sec. of S.B.B. and M.C. granting patronage at annual show, and from sec. of Edinburgh Western O.S. granting use of staging, etc., for annual show, at terms same as last year. Unanimously agreed to charge 3d. for catalogues at show. Mr. Watson then treated the members to an account of some of his boyhood experiences of bird-nesting, which proved very interesting. During his remarks Mr. J. Stormont kindly placed the awards on birds brought forward for table show.

NOR. YELL.: 1, Grant; 2, Adams; 3, Charlton. BUFF: 1, 3, Adams; 2, Grant. BUFF. NON-FED: 1, 2, Staines. BORD. YELL.: 1, Brown; 2, Brash; 3, May. BUFF: 1, 2, 4, 5, Brash; 3, May. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Watson; 3, 4, Charlton. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Watson; 2, 3, 4, Adams. A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Stormont was given. Members were reminded to do their utmost in the way of getting specials for show Nov. 28.-J. C. Charlton, Secy.

LARKHALL.

9th annual members' show, Y.M.C.A. Hall, Oct. 31. The hall is commodious, cosy, and well lighted, and the birds made a very attractive show. Secy, Mr. A. Thomson effectively superintended; he was assisted by an energetic band of workers, and everything worked smoothly. Entries numbered 250, an advance on previous shows, and the gate also showed an improvement on former records. Mr. W. P. Campbell won points' cup; Cuthbertson, Norwich cup; Kennedy, Bord. cup; Perrie, young bird cup, with a very nice Skikin Mule; Smith, novice points' cup; and McLean the rose bowl, with a lovely Redstart. Treasurer, Mr. R. McEwan, was in charge of the staging, and saw that every bird was placed to the best advantage. Judges were Messrs. W. G. Muir and P. McQuiston, and their awards gave satisfaction to all.

NOR. YELL. (8): 1, sp., Rundell; 2, 3, Campbell; 4, Kennedy; 5, Graham; 6, Clarke, jun. BUFF (10): 2, sp., Cuthbertson; 2, 3, 4, Campbell; 5, McLean; 6, Rundell. NON-FED YELL. (9): 1, Allan; 2, Haston; 3, 1, McEwan; 5, Rundell; 6, McLean. BUFF (13): 1, Kennedy; 2, Campbell; 3, McEwan; 4, McLean; 5, Haston; 6, Smith. UNFLIG. (15): 1, 6, Allan; 2, 3, Campbell; 5, Kennedy. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (16): 1, Graham; 2, Kennedy; 3, 6, Marley; 4, Adam; 5, McLare. BUFF (19): 1, 3, 6, Marley; 2, Kennedy; 3, Graham; 4, Adam; 5, sp., Marley; 6, Morrison, jun. BORD. GR. OR CINN. (11): 1, 1st, lock; 2, 4, Graham; 3, Marley; 5, Kennedy; 6, Ha-

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A RECORD GOES IN IRELAND.

Ulster O.A. Scores Heavily : Wonderful Display of Quality, Especially in Norwich, at Belfast.

In Ireland, as in England, the show committees who are going through with their usual programme will be encouraged by the results. The question of cancellation was put on one side by the committee of the Ulster O.A., and might be pleased they are with themselves that they did "carry on." The show held in the Clarence Place Hall on Nov. 6 and 7 had a record entry, whilst the exhibits reached a very high standard of merit. Nicely staged all round the sides of the hall, and in the centre, the exhibits presented an imposing sight, and were especially inspected. All the work was cleanly and smartly done by the stewards, and the birds were as cosy and comfortable as if at home. The officials were: President, Mr. Jas. Stewart; committee, Messrs. J. Neill, J. Ronaldson, W. Trimble, W. Connell, W. Teasy, J. Thompson, W. Sands, D. E. Alexander, H. Boyd, J. Kelson, J. Carson, W. Gray, A. Creighton, J. Lavery, W. Kane, and W. McConnell. Mr. Thos. H. Smyth, who filled the onerous office of secretary, was most painstaking, energetic, and courteous, and in him the men of Ulster have a splendid official. Belgians, though few, were good. The Scotlies were strong, but we were surprised to see how backward some of them were in the moult. Mr. Livingston went in strongly for type and drive, and his awards met with general commendation. Crests were a very nice little collection, the pick of which was Mr. Osborne's even-marked cock, a bird of grand feather and quality. Norwich were quite the feature of the show. The pick of the bunch was Mr. A. McCagherty's yellow, which secured four specials, including those for the best Plainhead and the best bird in the show. Yellow cocks were a grand lot, full of quality from end to end, and in addition to supplying four special winners they annexed Ramsden's crest. A special feature of the Norwich section was the excellence of the hens, especially the unlighted, which hens took four of the specials from the cocks, a performance which the Limit hens also accomplished. Yorkshires had a nice entry, and a few very handsome birds were to be seen. More than one good bird had to go down for not being well staged. Although not equal to what we used to see in the north of Ireland twenty years ago, the Mules were a very smart lot. Mr. Creighton's noted yellow won the special over the section, but Mr. Lavery's Canary-Bullie pressed hard. Goldfinches and Linnets were hardly so good as usual, but the winning Yellow Bunting of Mr. Creighton's is a topper, and very nice indeed were the winning Chaffinch of Mr. Alexander, and the Siskin shown by Mr. Carleton. An interesting and most enjoyable show was wound up by a small but good class of foreigners.

Mr. A. Livingston's Classes.

BELG. (5): 1, sp., Lavery, long, stylish yell. cock, rare drive, splendid shoulders, good back and tail; 2, 3, 4, Ronaldson, long, stout shouldered buff cock, plenty of drive; 3rd and 4th smart, showy, good shaped yellows full of nerve, and handle well, looked like hens; vhc, Gillespie. **SCOTS. YELL.** (10): 1, three sps., R. Trimble, very fine head and neck, high shoulders, great drive, capital wings and tail, full of nerve, had been in better form would have secured sp. for best in show; 2, 3, sp., Donaldson, more finished in feather, grand shape and style, but does not draw so well; 3rd, capital top end, nice drive; 4, he, sp., Dunlop, nice head and neck; vhc, Neill; c, Gillespie. **BUFF** (10): 1, R. Trimble, slashing bird of great length, big heavy shoulders, rare wings and tail, handles well, but not quite ready, foul on back; 2, sp., 3, Dunlop, nice stylish cl., hardly so much length but grand shape and nerve; 3rd, splendid shape, capital drive, good wings and tail; 4, Lavery, good wings and tail, quick and nerve; vhc, Ronaldson; hc, Williamson; c, Neill. **YELL. PIED, ETC.** (5): 1, R. Trimble, tremendous shoulders, neck and drive, gets well hold of perch, and brings tail well under, full of nerve, but needs tightening up; 2, Gillespie, good top end, nice head and neck, plenty of nerve; 3, Claughey, not so massive, but grand shape, and a rare handler; 4, R. Trimble; vhc, W. Trimble. **BUFF PIED, ETC.** (11): 1, he, sp., Ronaldson, magnificent length and subs., great top end, with long sides, gets hold of perch well and pulls hard; 2, 3, 4, vhc, sp., Lavery, very quick in action, capital head and neck, good drive not so much subs.; 3rd, long neck and side, drives well, and uses his tail in grand style; 4th, good head and neck, capital tail, not so smart in wings, plenty of nerve; c, R. Trimble. **HEN. YELL.** (8): 1, 2, two sps., Dunlop, grand shape and style, line head and neck, capital shoulders, wings and tail, a rare good handler; 2nd, plenty of size and length, nice shoulders, gets head well down, two fine hens; 3, sp., 4, R. Trimble, capital head, long lean neck, well filled shoulders of good height, smart wings and tail, hardly ready; 4th, stout, showy, shapely hen; vhc, he, sp., Lavery. **BUFF** (6): 1, 4, sp., Dunlop, massive, good high shoulders, capital neck and drive, quick in action, uses tail grandly; 4th, smart, stylish bird of nice subs.; 2, R. Trimble, hardly so much subs., but grand length and shape, fine head and neck, rare wing and tail; 3, Claughey, big heavy hen, plenty of length, good wings and tail, wants tightening up; vhc, Hurd; hc, Gillespie. **YELL., PIED, ETC.** (4): 1, R. Trimble, tremendous length and subs., high stout shoulders, great drive, gets well hold of perch, shows for all she is worth; 2, 3, Lavery, hardly so massive and long sided, but wonderful nerve and action; 3rd, in shape, length, wings, tail, and action a beauty, but hardly so much subs.; 4, Neill, compactly built, quick in action. **BUFF PIED, ETC.** (6): 1, 2, Ronaldson, splendid head, neck and shoulders, great length of side, nice drive, brings tail well under, full of nerve; 2nd, grand shape and subs., plenty of style, good drive; 3, Lavery, grand shoulders and body, capital wings and tail, nice shape and action; 4, W. Trimble, shorter good action; vhc, Hurd; hc, Gillespie. **MULES, LIGHT** (6): 1, 3, 4, sp., Creighton, eye and wing mkd. yell., very rich col., tight, compact feather, splendid blaze and wings, in rare form; 3rd, varieg. yell., a topper, plenty of size, grand silky feather, rare style and col.; 4th, stout, massive varieg. buff, wonderful feather, grand shape and col.; 2, sp., Carson, four-pt. buff, smart and showy, capital wing mks., rather light on eyes, rare qual. and col.; vhc, sp., Fitzsimons; hc, Teasy. **IYB., ETC.** (8): 1, vhc, Lavery, bold Can-Bullie, splendid shape, size, and feather, grand col. and mks., in rare form; 2, 3, sp., Alexander, well mkd., grandly feathered Goldf-Bullie, rich col., shows well; 3rd, Lin-Bullie, grandly mkd., nicely feathered, good shape, not up in col. yet; 4, Boyd, small Lin-Greene, grandly mkd., lovely feather, but shows very little Greene; hc, c, M'Atcer, A.O.V. (7): 1, 4, Lavery, nice bright-headed Jonque Goldf., splendid bars, good tail, capital feather and style; 4th, smart, nice coloured Jonque Greene; 2, Alexander, fine, big, shapely Lin-Can., grandly mkd., rich col.

2, Creighton, smart, showy, good sized Jonque Goldf., hardly ready; vhc, Browne; hc, Montgomery; c, M'Atcer. **GOLDF.** (9): 1, Lavery, rich deep blaze, capital bars, good chest and back, neat buttons, nice feather; 2, Mulcahy, nice depth of col., but hardly so bright, nice blaze and good bars; 3, sp., Gillespie, hardly so clear in cheeks, neat collar, good face and bars, nice back; 4, M'Atcer, smart, showy, bright looking Finch, but shows white in collar; vhc, he, Irvine; c, Crawford. **LINNET** (8): 1, 2, Lavery, neat, shapely, grand feather, neatly mkd. and sound col.; 2nd, not quite so full in chest, very pretty markings, nice col. and feather; 3, Boyd, smart, stylish, grand feather, hardly so deep in col. on chest; 4, Carson, very pretty markings and grand feather, lovely col., not quite so large; vhc, Mulcahy; hc, Irvine; c, M'Burney. **BENT-INDS, ETC.** (7): 1, sp., Creighton, Yellowhammer, beautiful col., grandly mkd., lovely back, wings, and tail, a real topper, in the pink, takes sp. best British; 2, sp., Crawford, large, bold looking Greenf. lovely feather and col., splendid wings and tail, tight as wax; 3, Browne, beautifully mkd. Yellow Bunting, hardly so rich in col., nice shape and feather; 4, M'Atcer, nice coloured Yellow Bunting; vhc, sp., Carleton; hc, sp., M'Bride; c, Montgomery. **BRAMBLE, ETC.** (4): 1, Alexander, line bold Chaffinch, lovely head and breast, grandly mkd., rich col., nice qual. of feather; 2, Mulcahy, grandly spangled Bramble, capital col. and feather; 3, M'Atcer, nicely marked Chaffinch, capital shape and feather, hardly so bright on breast; 4, Montgomery, shapely, well marked Chaff. **SISKIN, ETC.** (10): 1, 4, Carleton, beautifully marked Siskin, grand col., lovely feather, very smart, 4th grandly marked Lesser Redpoll, nice shape and size; 2, Lavery, rich bright coloured Redpoll, grandly marked, very smart and neat; 3, Griffith, very bonny, nicely marked Siskin; vhc, he, M'Atcer; c, Mulcahy. **FOR.** (4): 1, Stewart, lovely Grey Parrot, good eye, lovely silvery tone, rich coloured tail; 2, Wheatley, nicely feathered, well mkd. Indian Green Parakeet; 3, Williamson, pretty Bronze-winged Mannikin; 4, M'Kinsty, good Red-crested Cardinal, beautiful body and head.

Mr. C. A. House's Classes.

CRESTS (9): 1, sp., Osborne, even-mkd. buff, neat centre, dense feathering, capital droop and radiation, lovely quality of crest feather, good shaped body; 2, 4, sp., Creighton, smart, shapely yell., grand qual., well centred and drooped, very nice width, 4th massive Grey Crest, nice radiation and droop, hardly so even in front and centre; 3, sp., McCoy, wing marked buff, lovely qual., grand centre, radiation and droop; vhc, c, M'Alister. **HEN** (6): 1, 3, Creighton, even-mkd., grand quality, nice very feather of good width and subs., well centred and drooped, 3rd heavily mkd., well formed front and back, not quite so nicely drooped at sides; 2, vhc, he, M'Alister, good bodied green, plenty of feather, capital front and sides; 4, Patterson, nice quality grey, plenty of feather and droop. **C.B. COCK** (6): 1, 2, McCoy, neck and wing mkd., great length and width of feather, stout, well formed skull, nicely browed, 2nd heavy mkd., abundance of feather, width and subs. of skull; 3, 4, Patterson, heavily mkd. yell., wide, well browed, nicely domed skull, splendid qual. and length of feather, 4th green pied, plenty of subs., good shape, not so densely feathered; vhc, Smith; No. 3, Osborne, a rattling good bird, but has been in the fighting line, and only possesses one foot and a stump. **HEN** (3): 1, 3, Browne, green pied, splendid skull, densely feathered and browed, lovely qual., rare body properties, hard lines to have to meet the Crest cock for special, 3rd not so wide in skull, very heavily feathered; 2, sp., Creighton, varieg., neat beak, nice shape and subs. **NOR. YELL.** (12): 1, 4, and four sps., McCagherty, beautifully modelled right through, sound even col., of a nice tone, splendid silky feather, rare style, nicely finished, 4th more col., but hardly so compactly built, nor so tight in feather; 2, sp., Teasy, short and cobby, neat wings and tail, shapely head, grand col., nice qual.; 3, sp., Ramsden-sp., Crawford, grandly fed, rare silky feather, nice body; vhc, Thompson; hc, sp., Lavery; c, Connell. **BUFF** (14): 1, 2, 3, Thompson, a clean sweep with a team of grand typical birds, all shown in the pink of condition, 1st grand shaped body and head, tight and silky in feather, sound col., well mealed, 2nd even tighter and smarter in feather, but not quite so shapely in head, very showy, 3rd gem for feather properties, sound col., not quite so chubby in body; 4, sp., McCagherty, capital shape and style, nice shoulders and chest; vhc, sp., Crawford; hc, Kelson; c, Carson. **VARLEG.** (9): 1, 3, c, Lavery, eye, wing and tail yell., grand shape and narr., level col., but hardly bright enough, 3rd head, wing and tail yell., richer and brighter in col., splendid qual., not quite so stout in body or head; 2, Connell, head and neck buff, grand silky feather, sound col., well mealed, shapely and stylish; 4, Thompson, head, wing and tail yell., wonderful col. and qual.; vhc, McCagherty; hc, Kelson. **UNFLIG. YELL.** (9): 1, sp., 2, Scott, splendid col., lovely type and style, grand col., smart body, close fitting silky feather, 2nd lovely eye and wing mkd., splendid body shape, rare col. and feather; 3, 4, Thompson, very shapely, stylish cl., nice head, back and chest, sound col., nice qual., 4th eye, neck and wing mkd., carries a wealth of col., not quite so chubby; vhc, Carleton; hc, M'Bride; c, McCagherty; No. 3, McCagherty, one of the best birds in the class, but damaged tail. **BUFF** (7): 1, Huston, short cobby cl., magnificent col. and qual., neat in every way; 2, he, Thompson, neck tkd., grand body shape, good feather and col., does not show himself so nicely; 3, McCagherty, head tkd., nice stamp of bird, but a trifle horny, and pale in col.; 4, vhc, Scott, eye, neck and wing mkd., more col., but not so typical in head, nice qual.; c, Carleton. **HEN YELL.** (7): 1, 4, vhc, sp., Thompson, real gem, neat chubby head, short cobby body, neat wings and tail, splendid col., feather and style, 4th nice type, col. and qual.; 2, Carson, grand shape, nice col. and qual., just a bit racy at wing ends; 3, Teasy, head tkd., abundance of col., nice

shape and style; hc, McCagherty; c, Crawford. **BUFF** (11): 1, 4, Lavery, grand shape of body and head, silky feather, level col., nicely mealed, 4 smart and shapely, good col.; 2, McCagherty, rather larger, but not so tight in feather as 1st, good head, chest and back, nice level col.; 3, Teasy, plenty of subs., nice head and feather; vhc, c, Thompson; hc, Stewart. **VARLEG.** (8): 1, Finlay, eye, neck and wing mkd. buff, grand shape and style, silky feather, rather pale in col.; 2, 3, 4, vhc, sp., Thompson, eye, wing and tail yell., capital shape, style and col., neat feather, 3rd heavily mkd. yell., capital shape and col., not so tight in feather, 4th eye, neck and wing buff, nice qual. col. and meal; hc, McCagherty; c, Lavery. **UNFLIG. HEN YELL.** (5): 1, 2, McCagherty, lovely shaped cl., very hot, bright even col., tight as wax, 2nd equal, except not quite so hot in col., two grand hens; 3, Thompson, wing mkd., beautiful sound col., lovely silky feather; 4, Scott, nice bodied cl.; vhc, M'Caun. **BUFF** (11): 1, he, sp., Scott, typical and smart, grand head, chest and back, sound even col., feathered like a Java; 2, sp., vhc, c, Thompson, plenty of col., nicely mealed, hardly so chubby, but a gem otherwise, mkd. head, back and vent; 3, sp., Lavery, wing tkd., full of qual., grandly moulded buff, level col., needs handling; 4, sp., M'Caun, wing tkd., tip-top in every respect, but had frayed her tail; good class. **LIMIT 40 - CK.** (16): 1, Montgomery, neat, shapely cl. yell.; 2, Stewart, cl. buff, capital style and type; 3, Finlay, eye and wing mkd. yell., not so chubby; 4, Gilmore, good stout buff; vhc, sp., M'Caun; hc, Connell; c, Carson. **HEN** (12): 1, sp., McCagherty, sweet little cl. yell.; 2, sp., vhc, M'Connell, heavy mkd. yell., good body, longer tail; 3, sp., Carson, lovely shaped tkd. buff; 4, sp., he, Stewart, nice shapely cl. buff, not so much col.; vhc, Connell; c, M'Bride. **NOV. YELL.** (11): 1, 3, sp., Duggan, splendid shape, neat short body, tight silky feather, sound bright col., 3rd shapely, nice even col., good qual.; 2, Young, beautiful type and qual., nicely led., hardly tightened up; 4, sp., M'Cre, splendid body properties, rich col., tight silky feather, but had damaged his tail; vhc, M'Larnon; hc, Patterson; c, Edley. **BUFF** (12): 1, Young, grizzle capped, grand shape and feather, sound col., well mealed; 2, Edley, lovely cl., beautiful tight silky feather, good type, unsteady; 3, Duggan, good shapely body, capital col. and feather; 4, Montgomery, grand bodied cl., splendid feather, nice even col., very showy; vhc, M'Cre; hc, Clewson; c, M'Larnon. **HEN YELL.** (9): 1, Young, full of qual., col. and style, grandly moulded body, very neat wings and tail, a gem, grandly shown; 2, M'Loghry, splendid buff, sound level col., tight silky feather; 2, sp., Montgomery, smart, typical and stylish, grand col. and feather; 4, Patterson, grand shape, silky coat, good col.; vhc, Duggan; hc, Magill; c, Kane. **BUFF** (10): 1, Brown, wonderfully tight in body feather, sweet wings and tail, short and cobby, lovely col., hardly stout enough in head; 2, 3, sp., Young, better head, grand chubby body, but feather is not so fine nor so close, 3rd mkd. head, wings and tail, grand shape and style, a good qual.; 4, Williamson, bonnie cl., grand type, lovely body feather; vhc, Duggan; hc, Kane; c, M'Conaghie. **SELL. CREST** (3): 1, M'Caun; 2, Smyth; 3, M'Atcer. **NOR.** (9): 1, M'Conaghie; 2, Finlay; 3, Montgomery; 4, Stewart; vhc, Connell; hc, Osborne; c, Kelson. **SONG BIRD** (6): 1, Carleton; 2, Alexander; 3, Stewart; 4, M'Bride; vhc, Teasy; hc, Thompson. **YORKS. CK.** (14): 1, sp., 4, Woods, neck tkd., grand head, neck and shoulders, nicely tapered body, neat wings and tail, plenty of style, in rare form, 4th smart stylish cl., not quite so fine in feather; 2, O'Reilly, head, chest, and wing mkd., wonderfully fine and silky in feather, typical and stylish, grand legs; 3, Winkup, pretty neck and wing mkd., feathered like a Java, piped tail, smart crest earr., not so long; vhc, Stewart; hc, c, McDonald; absent, 14, Cord. **BUFF** (11): 1, O'Reilly, well drawn cl., line head, neck and shoulders, splendid wings and tail earr., capital legs; 2, Woods, grizzle head, capital shape and style, good wings; 3, Malcolm, racy, shapely, stylish cl., well braced wings and tail; 4, sp., Winkup, smart and showy, grand feather, good wings and tail; vhc, Keatley; hc, c, Gillen. **HEN YELL.** (10): 1, 2, McDonald, very smart well drawn three-pointed, capital head, wings and tail, gets well up on leg and shows splendidly, not shown to best advantage, and this lost her the sp., 2nd racy, stylish cl., neat head, well braced wings and tail, well up on leg; 3, sp., Wheatley, clinking good Cinn-mkd., capital body, lovely feather, nice col.; 4, Fleming, junr., neck tkd., nice shapely bird, good legs, but needs training; vhc, Keatley; hc, Malcolm; c, Montgomery. **BUFF** (9): 1, Winkup, lovely cl., neat head, grandly braced wings and tail, silky tight feather, well up on legs, plenty of nerve; 2, sp., O'Reilly, grandly modelled cl., fine head, neck and shoulders, well piped tail, plenty of style; 3, Keatley, wing tkd., beautifully feathered, grand wings and tail, shows well; 4, vhc, Woods, not so smart in wing earr., nice head and shoulders; hc, Gillen; c, Wheatley. **NOV. CK.** (12): 1, Brown, sleek, closely feathered cl., neat head, well balanced wings and tail, gets well up on legs and shows for all he is worth; 2, he, M'Keon, lovely qual., and style, nice head, capital wings and tail; sp., 3, Webb, long raking bird, good wings and tail, capital legs, gets well up; 4, sp., Hurd, more stoutly built cl., nice style, needs fining down; vhc, sp., Blair; c, Fenning. **BUFF** (4): 1, 2, sp., M'Keon, capital length and style, nicely tapered, well up on legs, 2nd shapely body, neat head, capital feather; 3, Webb, nicely built, neck tkd., good shape and nerve, but needs more handling; 4, Biggs, nice shape and style. **HEN** (3): 1, sp., Hurd, smart erect earr., good wings and tail, neat body, nice legs; 2, Telford, shapely and stylish, nice wings and tail, loses in fineness of feather; 3, Beags. **BUFF** (4): 1, 2, Telford, 1st very neat, smart and stylish, good wings and tail, well up on legs, 2nd good bodied, stylish wing tkd., not quite so nicely braced tail; 3, Moore, long, raking cl., plenty of leg, good wings and tail; 4, Fenning, long, shapely varieg.

NORTHERN YORKS. C.C.

Meeting and table show, Oct. 28; Mr. Cattell chair. Decided to grant patronage to Gateshead show, Dec. 19. We have engaged the Co-operative Hall, Daru Crook, for our show Dec. 5. Mr. F. Armstrong, Halifax, judge. Entrance fee 1s., and prizes of 6s., 4s., 3s., 2s. on an entry of 15. If under 15, to be paid on sliding scale. There will be 9 classes for champ., 7 nov., 2 sell., and 1 extra stock class. The table show was very well supported, but it was unfortunate that some of the members failed to note address of meeting place, and consequently had to return home without having had their birds judged. Next meeting and table show, Nov. 18, Mr. Smith to judge champion classes, and Mr. Cattell novice. Mr. Holden, Gateshead, judged, and gave every satisfaction. **CHAMP. OLD BIRD:** 1, 2, Crawhall; 3, 4, Cattell. **HEN:** 1, 2, Crawhall; 3, 4, Tindale; vhc, he, Johnson. **UNFLIG:** 1, 3, Crawhall; 2, 4, Cattell; vhc, Tindale. **NOV. OLD BIRD:** 1, Witherley. **HEN:** 1, 2, Crossing; 3, Smith; 4, Frost; vhc, Witherley. **UNFLIG:** 1, 4, Smith; 3, 4, Witherley. — R. Tindale, Hon. Sec.

LLANDUDNO.

Welsh Northern Counties F. and F.A. 7th annual show, held Nov. 7, at Llandudno, in the Hhoro-drome, a fine room with good light, and the birds were well staged. The cage bird section turned out very satisfactory. Norwich stood out well above the average in numbers and quality, whilst Yorks, were good, and Borders a treat. British were a warm lot, Mr. W. Nolan capturing special for best bird in show with a grand Waxwing, in superb form. Mr. Cragg, the lion, ecc., managed affairs well, a worthy official and a credit to the society. The attendance was good all day. A few more classes in this section would greatly improve the show. Mr. A. G. Davis made the awards in a very satisfactory manner. **NOR. YELL.** (11): 1, sp., vhc, W. H. Williams, cl. leading immense size grand head and neck, good body, nicely cut away, rich col., full of qual.; 2, J. Jones, good cl., nice head and earr., rich col., trifle longer in body; 3, res, Wilson, another cl., nice type and qual., not quite ready; hc, c, Sheldon. **BUFF** (13): 1, sp., 3, W. H. Williams, leader the well-known four-pointed, rare size, good head, clean cut, tight feather, still improving, 3rd good cl., capital size, good feather, well over the perch; 2, Aitken and Son, short and chubby, nicely modelled, cl., exquisite feather; res, Wilson, good varieg.; vhc, J. Jones; hc, c, Sheldon. **YORKS., YELL.** (17): 1, sp., W. Evans, grand lengthy cl., straight and leggy, well braced wings good pipe tail, slim and stylish; 2, vhc, W. Nolan, good cl., medium length, very shapely, nicely tapered, good pos., col., and feather; vhc, mkd. yell., full of style and qual., our choice for 2nd; 3, T. G. Roberts, good lengthy cl., nice shape and qual., straight and leggy; hc, J. Jones. **BUFF** (15): 1, sp., 3, W. Nolan, grand cl. leading, well moulted, straight as a rush, boxy feather, full of qual., 3rd wing tkd., nice length and shape; 2, c, A. M. Williams, tkd., lengthy and stylish, good legs, nice qual.; res, J. Roberts, close up; vhc, W. H. Parry, good, not yet in show form; hc, Aitken and Son. **BORDER** (11): 1, sp., 2, W. Nolan, leader cl. yell., lovely type and qual., jaunty carriage, good col.; 2, cinn. mkd., stylish, moves freely; 3, vhc, he, c, E. R. Roberts, former grand yell., good earr., feather and col.; res, M. Jones. **A.O.V.** (4): 1, sp., Wilson, good-sized varieg. Crest, nice one; 2, W. Nolan, grand Silver Liz.; res, Mrs. Prior. **IYB.** (8): 1, sp., he, J. Hughes, winner the well-known six-pointed Goldie Mule, in capital feather; 2, T. G. Roberts, good four-pointed Goldie Mule, nice qual.; 3, vhc, W. Williams, very good dark Jonque Siskin Mule; res, H. Jones; c, Aitken and Son. **BRIT. GOLDF.** (10): 1, sp., Wilson, good size, grand body, rare tanning, rich expansive blaze, very fit; 2, E. Jones, typical Finch, nice flush face, good body markings; 3, W. H. Williams, good body, moons, and tanning, blaze not ready; res, G. and W. Green; c, W. Williams. **A.O.V. BRIT.** 1, sp., best in show; 2, W. Nolan, grand Waxwing, huge size, rare col., crest and tips, excellent condition; 2nd, monster Hawfinch, good, rich col. and feather; 3, Aitken, good-sized Yellow Bunting, rich col.; res, Fildes, good Bullie hen, grand size, cap. and markings; vhc, c, T. J. Roberts.

MAIDSTONE.

Old Show Nov. 7 and 8 in the Tith Barn, a quaint building recently acquired by the Corporation. It is a very suitable place for an exhibition, and almost in the centre of the town. Entries were hardly so numerous as last year, but our section came up well. In Kent, Norwich Canaries hold the premier position for popularity, and these made quite an imposing show. Mr. Lynn, of Maidstone, sent in an exceptionally strong team, and won sp. for best bird with his non-fed yellow, a beauty for type and quality of feather. Yorks. were not particularly numerous, but the majority were very typical. A few good British made up an interesting collection. The show was opened by the popular mayor, Mr. A. T. Eppe, who shows a keen interest in the Fancy; the president, Councillor G. Tyrwhitt-Drake, is also of great assistance to the society. Mr. A. Day, the ser., and his assistant, Mr. E. F. Tadman, had a hard day's work, but got through their task in good time, the committee consisting of the following well-known fanciers, lent valuable assistance: Messrs. Barney, Lancaster, Baker, Cooper, Harvey, Goodman, Stanley, Whibley, Woodman, and Cranston. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. 1, 2, 3, vhc, Lynn, two grand yellows and a buff, all the right type, plenty of subs. and rare qual.; res, Jenner; hc, Cooper; c, Harvey. **HEN:** 1, res, vhc, Lynn, very fine yell., big, bold bird with good skull, grand cond.; 2, 3, Jenner, nice buff, good size and type; 3rd, capital yell., hardly the subs., good qual.; hc, c, Harvey. **NON-FED:** 1, 2, 3, Lynn, beanties, leader a charmer for type and style, wins sp. best in show, a very fine team; res, vhc, Jenner; hc, Cooper; c, Daw. **VAR.** 1, 2, res, Lynn, leader grand type and style, fails a bit in wings, but a real Nor.; 3, Cooper, lovely buff, hardly the subs. of winner, but tip-top qual.; vhc, Jenner; c, Andrews. **YORKS.** 1, Harvey, very typical, well put down; 2, Andrews, grand type, not put down at its best; 3, res, Cooper, typical, shade small, but nice qual. **BUFF:** 1, 3, Harvey, leader grand size and length of wing; 3, Hysted; res, Cooper. **A.O.V.** 1, 3, Jenner, winner capital C.B., fine size, grand skull and length of feather; 2nd, neat Gr. Bord.; 2, res, Harvey, fine C.B., nicely domed and packed; vhc, Hysted. **PAIRS:** 1, 3, vhc, Lynn, typical Nor., well matched, winners fine bold heads and fronts; 2, Jenner, lovely Gr. Bord., typical, nicely pencilled; hc, Cooper. **MULE:** 1, Cooper, good Goldie-Can.; 2, Mrs. Wilson, fine bold Linnet. **IYB.** 1, Jenner; charming Redpoll-Greene, very shapely, tight 3rd wax. **GOLDF.** 1, Cooper, capital size, neat head, good wing, nice rich tan; 2, Rhodes, good bird, wide bit unsteady. **BULLIE:** 1, 2, Jenner, beauties, grand bit caps, good rich col., in fine tettle; 3, vhc, Rhodes, lovely bird, hardly so full in cap, very rich col.; res, he, Crump; c, Cooper. **LIMIT:** 1, Cooper. **A.O.V.** 1, 2, Jenner, var. Blackbird leading, very shapely, nice feather; 3, Daw; res, Rhodes; vhc, Harvey. **FOR.** 1, Finn, nice pair Budgerigars.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SUITABLE MATING (Crest). Such close inbreeding as you suggest, which is between half-brother and sister, is always to be deprecated, unless there is some definite object in view other than simply making up a pair, such, for example, as fixing some particular point or feature in the stock, and then it should be done only with strong, healthy birds, and not be repeated indefinitely with the progeny. If the young birds are quite robust, and their parents strong and not inbred, a casual mating of this kind would do no material harm, but do not carry the experiment further, by inbreeding the following season with the progeny of this pair.

LOST USE OF LEGS (M.S.).—First of all catch the bird and examine the claws to see if they are much overgrown, and, if so, trim them back to a proper length. Also see that perches are conveniently placed and securely fixed. If claws are overgrown it is quite likely the legs have been overstrained by the bird getting them fast in some part of the cage and struggling to free itself. In this case the effect will pass off when the cause is removed. If this surmise does not appear correct, treat as follows for a week or two: In addition to usual seed diet, give every second day a morsel of bread and milk with two or three drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it. In the drinking water add twelve drops of syrup of buckthorn for three consecutive days, and after this give in feed four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of columba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight or so.

CAUSE OF DEATH (T. H. W.B.).—It is not possible to say with certainty what was the cause of the bird's death. A pest-necrosis is the only means of ascertaining this definitely, and if another death occurs I should advise you to send the body at once to our Mr. Yates for examination in case you

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1s.); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1s.); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1s.); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2s.); Norman's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1s.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Aiding Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Hoeder Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

have septic fever among your stock, and meant to keep any sick birds and the cages occupied by them isolated from all healthy specimens as you can. The only means of combating this disease, which is both contagious and infectious, is by observing strictly hygienic conditions, with isolation and disinfection. The symptoms you give, however, might also be due to pneumonia, which may have arisen from a chill during the recent spell of damp, cold weather, particularly if the birds bathed freely or were exposed to direct draughts. In this case the only thing you could have done was to place the birds affected at once in a quite warm temperature, give a diet of bread and milk, with a little raw seed and scalded summer rape, add half a teaspoonful of brandy to each ounce of the drinking water, keep bird quiet, and leave the rest to nature. If placed under this treatment promptly, recovery will frequently occur, but any delay at the beginning leaves very little chance of recovery.

TO BREED EVEN-MARKED (Nemo).—Unless you have birds of an even-marked strain to begin with, it is a matter of years to establish a strain of even-marked that will breed true to any considerable extent, and the process would occupy far too much space in this column to enter into any really useful details. In these circumstances I cannot advise you better than to try and get a copy of Part 15 of "Our Canaries," in which you will find full details for building up a strain of even-marked Norwich, as well as full particulars concerning their technical markings. In Part 14 similar information is given concerning the Border Fancy, which will apply equally well to the Norwich where markings alone are concerned. If you fail to get one part, you might procure the other.

WHICH ARE THE BEST? (Nemo).—It is not possible to single out any one variety or strain of Roller and say they are "absolutely the best songsters." This is entirely a question of tuition and receptivity on the part of the pupil, and has little to do with variety or strain. Of the names you mention, the last three are practically nothing more than trade terms, and of no real value as guides to singing qualities, and the first is the name of a well-known English breeder of the present day, whose birds have achieved a fair amount of success in singing contests. If you obtained birds direct from him so that you were certain, or should be, of getting birds of his strain, or of any other successful breeder and exhibitor of Rollers, you should have the material for making some of the very best songsters. But you must put your faith to good and efficient training of the young to develop their latent powers.

TO TIGHTEN THE PLUMAGE (A. C. S.).—(1) To tighten up the plumage of the Norwich which have come through the moult rather soft, give each bird a piece of bread and milk the size of a large hazel nut with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days add twenty drops of the following mixture to the drinking water: Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, and add a teaspoonful of glycerine. Mixture is then ready for use. Allow birds to bathe freely. (2) No. 1 does not advise adding glycerine to the water for now birds to bathe in. It is a very easy matter for a fly to overtop the mark and make an unsightly mess of the plumage instead of making it appear more by a smooth, which will be totally unnecessary. Allow the birds to bathe freely in fresh pure water—soft or clean

rain water for preference, and nothing else will be necessary.

ROLLER QUERIES (Ril.p.). (1) Our manager could doubtless procure you a handbook by A. Rettich, which is the only one I know dealing solely with the breeding of the Harz Mountain Canary. The title, I believe, is "The German Canary," and the price about 9d. (2) For ordinary singing Rollers a couple of two parts Canary to one part summer rape mixed together. A. additions give a morsel of bread and milk once a week, and on other days half a teaspoonful of egg food; once a week a small teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, millet, teazle, and raw. Four times a week give a spray of some green salad, and in winter, when this is not procurable in a fit condition to use, substitute a morsel of sweet fruit or banana. (3) It is rather difficult to say how many "changes" a good Roller should sing, as it is not clear what is meant by this term. We do not nowadays speak of "changes" as in the old days, when a good bird was said to sing anything from twenty to thirty changes, but of "tours." To-day birds are trained to sing more technical, defined, and longer song passages, or tours, as they are termed, and fewer of them. I imagine a bird that sang half a dozen good tours well, and had few, if any, faults would now hold its own in good company.

DOUBLE-BUFFING, ETC. (Forward, Hale). (1) Neither double-buffing nor double-yellowing should be done unless there is some definite object in view, and the necessity for the departure from the normal course is apparent. The effect of double-buffing is to increase size and substance of body, and give substance and increased width of web and density to the feather, and if overdone is apt to produce coarse feather and frilliness. Double-yellowing, on the other hand, is resorted to when plumage is too dense and profuse in character, and there is a deficiency of yellow blood in the stock, as shown by a general coarseness of feather and an undue preponderance of buff and pale washed-out yellows. If this is carried too far it will result in stock with plumage deficient of substance, and of a thin hairy type, small in body, with coarse legs and beaks, and long, narrow thighs and tails. In choosing a pair of Yorkshires for double-buffing, select birds with smooth, close plumage, free from frills at thighs or breast, and bred in the orthodox manner, i.e., from yellow and buff. For double-yellowing, choose birds of good size and substance of body, getting as much length as you can without undue length of tail-feathers, fine in beak and legs, with plumage as close and dense as you can get, and a fair width of web. These birds also should be bred in the orthodox manner for preference. In other cases the birds should, of course, match each other in the essential features of the breed. You would find the fullest details of all the ins and outs of this method of mating in "Our Canaries." (2) As regards getting the birds into show condition, you should have said in what way they are out of condition. If soft in feather from the moult, treat as advised to "A. C. S. (1)" in this issue, and if this does not brace them up, write again, and give full particulars.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

STOCKING AN AVIARY (F. L. Fido).—Your outdoor aviary should have a little shelter attached to it of some kind for the birds to roost in, and if it faces the west some privet bushes should be planted in front of it to protect them from the rough winds. You could keep the following British birds in it: One cock Goldfinch, a Linnet, siskin, Greenfinch, and Redpoll. These could fly therein all the winter, then in April turn in half a dozen hen Canaries, at the same time putting in plenty of nest-boxes. Your seed and water vessels should be in a position to be easily got at without entering the aviary. Feed as follows: 3 parts canary and teazle, 1 part summer rape—this will be the stock mixture. Give a little hemp, sunflower, niger, and maw, not all at once, but a little hemp one day and sunflower another, and about twice a week a spoonful per bird of a good wild seed mixture. This you can purchase in packets put up especially for Finches by some of the best firms.

KEEN ON HYBRIDS (Gordon Bailey).—If your Goldfinch will eat soft food, try him with a cube

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage Bird Hybrids" (7s. 6d.); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2s. 6d.); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1s.), Part 2 "Softbills" (1s.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2s.); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1s.); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1s.); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Siskin," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Puffin," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Aiding Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

of day-old bread soaked in hot milk, about three days a week, and if he takes this all right, drop two drops of emulsion of cod liver oil upon it. Let him have plenty of sharp sand and grit, and a good big cage to fly in. I do not like your seed mixture; there is too much stimulating food in it; increase the quantity of canary and teazle and take away half the quantity of hemp, niger and linseed. Supply sunflower two or three times a week, and if you can purchase a good collection of wild seeds a little of it can be given on alternate days. A little extra sunflower should be allowed the hen Bullfinch. (2) You should have purchased your Bullfinch earlier when you would have found a little of the nest-plumage on most of them. Your best guide now would be the thickness of the legs and feet, and in some specimens an unusual growth of beak.

BIRDS FOR BEGINNER (Damaged).—The damage to the wing of your bird may be not very serious, or on the other hand it may be broken. Put him in a cage without any perches, and stand in a quiet corner of the room. Birds quickly recover from accidents, and yours should be all right in a week or two; as to his being fit for exhibition later on it depends upon the extent of the damage; as it strengthens he may get the wing up again, especially if he is a young bird. (2) To commence Mule-birding you should buy with either or all of the following: Goldfinch, Linnet, and Greenfinch. A pair of these male readily with a hen Canary. Put your Finches and Canaries in a big flight and let them be together all the winter.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them. Aberffery C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Prince of Wales Hotel, 7.30. Report from delegates who attended the Cardiff meeting. All book money and unsold tickets to be brought in. H. H. Mortimer. Aitricham Open C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Station Cafe, 8. General bus, and paper on Green Borders by Mr. E. Vernon. C. Bailey. Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Nov. 17, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Open Show bus; washing competition, start 8.15, Judge Mr. H. Boothman, J. Spencer. Athington and Hirst C.B.S. Nov. 14, Linton Miners' Hall, 7.30. To pay prize money.—Ann. Hall. Ashton-upon-Lyne C.B.S.—Nov. 17, P.S.A. Rooms, Abdon Street, 8. Washing exhibition and discussion re special for Annual Show.—J. Whitehead. Barrow C.B.A. Nov. 18, Gardner and Rickard, 7.30. Close of entries for Annual Show, Nov. 21.—A. Hindon. Barrington and Choppington C.E.S.—Nov. 14, Social Club, 7. Final arrangements for Annual Show. H. Seely. Birkenhead C.F.A.—Nov. 17, Abbeleys Cafe, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. J. Burns; arranging afterwards for show, fanciers invited.—G. Morton. Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Victoria Hotel, 2.30. Members' Show, Judge Mr. S. Wilcock; entries Friday night, 8 to 10.—H. Bryant. Bradford East O.S.—Nov. 17, Park Chapel Schools, New Cross St. Members' Show, Judge L. E. Casey; birds staged 7.15; entries Monday night.—W. Cruise. Bradford National Show. Nov. 17, Market Tavern, 7.30 to 11. Taking entries for Annual Show.—S. Midgley. Bradford West C.B.A.—Nov. 14, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. Important bus.—F. P. Terry. Bramley O.S.—Nov. 13, Headquarters, 8. General bus; entries Members' Show, Judge Mr. J. Chambers, Leeds; birds staged 2.30 Saturday.—F. Page. Bromley (Ken) F.A.—Nov. 17, 18, Bromley Auction Rooms, West St., Bromley, Members' Show.—A. T. Bellingier. Buckhaven C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Free Gardeners (Small Hall), 6.30. Arrangements for Club Show. G. Paterson. Clydebank C.B.C.—Nov. 19, 81, Kilbowie Road, 7.45. Final arrangements for annual show.—Wm. Kane. Craghead Workman's Club F. and F. and C.B.S.—Nov. 15, Club Rooms, 7. Forming schedule and selection of judges for annual show and other important bus.—A. Dawson. Cwdenbeath.—Nov. 14, Waverley Rooms, 6.30. Important bus, regarding Club Show.—A. Robertson. Dulwich and Peckham C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham. Members' Annual Show, Judge Mr. J. Robson; admission by ticket from members.—A. G. Cant. East Ardsley C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Black Swan, 7.30. General bus.—H. Cockrem. Edinburgh C.B.S.—Nov. 17, Cairns Memorial Hall, Gorgie Road, 8. Special bus, for Annual Show, classification forms to hand, Ramsden's coupons to be brought to meeting.—J. C. Charlton. G.E. Riv. F.A.—Nov. 17, Mechanics' Institute, Stratford, 5. Fourth Annual Show; Mr. H. W. Thornton will open show and present special prizes. W. G. Rogers. Great Horton O.S.—Nov. 14, Butchers' Arms, 3. Also Members' Show, birds staged 3, Judge Mr. D. Sutcliffe, Wisbey.—J. Holyroyd. Halifax O.S.—Nov. 14, Plummet Lane Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements for Open Show. Subs. due.—H. Clegg. Idic C.B.S.—Nov. 14, White Bear Inn, 2.30. Members' Show, Judge Mr. J. Bailey; entries Friday night, 8.30 to 10.—C. E. Hyton. Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Nov. 14, Railway Hotel, 2.30. Members' Show, Judge, Mr. W. Wharton, Bradford.—W. H. Sykes. Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Nov. 14, Volunteer Inn, George St., Oldham, 6.30. Important Club Show bus.—J. Rukin.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING BUDGERIGAR (Mrs. Cole).—I am willing to assist CAGE BIRD readers to the best of my ability, but what can I do for you in this case? You neither tell how you have been feeding and generally treating, nor whether it is in a cage or outdoor aviary! I will assume that you have it in a cage of some sort indoors—the greatest enemies of caged birds are lack of exercise and constipation, and none suffer more from these two causes than Budgerigars. The remedy, of course, is, in the first place as roomy a cage as circumstances will permit, supplemented by a fly round the room when convenient permits, and for the second to see that

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1s.); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2s.); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1s.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Aiding Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Academics," No. 17 "The Geay Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pelica Robia," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

the bowels are kept moving quite freely, yet without undue looseness; an occasional dose of Dimeford's magnesia, one teaspoonful to each ounce of the drinking water—the bird's condition must regulate the frequency of the doses—also a fairly regular supply of such green food and fruit as it will take. If the bird is really weak, two drops of cod liver oil emulsion direct to the beak once a day for a longer or shorter period should restore its strength. A good tonic is half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphites to each ounce of the drinking water, three times a week, not be given on the same day as you give the magnesia. The supply of grit and cuttlebone must be regularly maintained and you must not use a metal drinker when giving drugs. Please note rules re replies per post.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

J. E. S. The pelica, either or both right if your ground is within the Metropolitan Police District, or the County of London, as therein practically all birds are protected all the year round (the Geay

Lancaster C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Corn Market, Coffee Tavern, 7.30, not 8. Final meeting before Show; bus. Important. Last night for bringing special slips in.—C. J. Cafferty. (Kindly send address.—Editor, "C.B.") Leicester C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Hare and Pheasant, 8.30. A.V. Nor. Vell. Clk. (except millig.) open, do nov., do. Bm (millig.) open, do. nov., H.M. Linnets, Mules, or Hyb., millig.—J. Hardbottle. Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Nov. 17, White Swan, 8. Table Show. A. Freestone. Littleborough C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Headquarters, 8. Show bus, schedules ready, subs. due.—J. R. Windle. Llanilly C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important delegate report of Cardiff meeting re National Cage Bird Show of Wales, and our own show matters.—D. John. Loanhead C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Masons' Arms, 7.30. Financial meeting; payment of prize money, election of office bearers, new members enrolled.—W. B. Smart. Longton C.B.S.—Nov. 17, Headquarters, 8.30. Discussing any matter regarding next Inter Club Show and other business.—P. E. Barker. Manchester and Northern Counties' O.S.—Nov. 16, Denn-gate Hotel, 8. Very important bus, with respect to January Show.—F. Wilkinson. Manchester and N. Counties' O.S.—Nov. 16. Specials won by members will be given out. I hope all members will return ticket money to enable me to hand any profit over to the Relief Fund.—E. Bayward. Metropolitan C.B.A.—Nov. 19, Kelyvedon Hall, Waltham Green. Payment of prize-money.—J. Jellrey. National British Bird and M.C.—Nov. 19, Feathers Hotel, Gt. Chapel St., Westminster, 8. Show bus.—J. P. Carr. Northern Norwich P.C.—Nov. 18, Shield Cafe (Bigg Market), 7.30. Table Show, five classes (champion), do. nov.; Judge Mr. A. Hermonston.—F. W. Laidlow. Northern Norwich P.C.—Nov. 18, Shield Cafe (Bigg Market, opposite Town Hall, 7.30. Table Show, five classes each section; judges Mr. J. Smith champion sec., Mr. C. Cattell, novice.—R. Tindale. Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Entries table show and gen. bus.—A. W. Newton. Poplar C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Allhallows, East India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Show bus, and prize cards; lecture on pairing Norwich and Yorks.—L. H. Marhall. Roceada Affiliated C.B.S.—Nov. 21, R.O.C. Rooms, Clarke's Place, 6.30. Consider question of holding a show; delegates please attend early, balance-sheet, etc.—W. Adams. Rutherford C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Show bus, and subs.—Taylor and Bailey. Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Mrs. H. Abbott's Tea Rooms, adjoining Walter Willison's Shop, Front St., 5.30. Members and intending members please attend.—W. Dodd. Sale C.B.S.—Nov. 17, Excelsior Club, Tatton Rd., 8. Show bus, and members' entries for Show, electing stewards, etc.—H. Whitney. Stanley Empire Club.—Nov. 15, Club Room, 6. Entries taken and Show bus.—W. Elliott. South Moor.—Nov. 14, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 7.30. Show bus, stewards, etc.—G. F. Bates. Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Wharf Hotel. Show for cocks only, birds staged 7, Judge Mr. R. E. Helliwell, Halifax.—G. Mitchell. Wakefield R.C.—Nov. 16, Elephant and Castle Inn, 8.—H. Roebuck. Wanstead F. and F.S.—Nov. 19, Cambridge Park, Wanstead, Annual Show, all sections, Mr. W. Dalton will judge Cage Birds. Opens at 2.—H. S. Lofthouse. West Bromwich C.B.S.—Nov. 17, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.29. Bring specials and allotment of same; final arrangements for show.—W. G. Andrews. West Stanley C.B.S.—Nov. 14, Com. Hotel, 5. Prize-money.—W. Elliott. Wigan Roller C.C.—Nov. 14, Queen's Head, Newtown, 7.30. Final arrangements of club contest, etc.—P. Grenall. Yorks C.B.S.—Nov. 18, Club Show, Judge Mr. Mundell, Bradford; birds staged 6.30; entries close Nov. 15. Special meeting night of Show at 7.—V. G. F. Zimmermann.

finch and Redpoll are exceptions). If in Essex, certain districts are protected areas all the year (Epping Forest and near). You should get a copy of the Wild Birds Act for whichever place your ground is in. It is obtainable from Messrs. Wyman, Ltd., printers, Peter Lane, London, E.C.; send a penny stamp in payment, also a stamped addressed envelope.

Peter.—You can learn all about making and using bird-lime from CAGE BIRDS ANNUAL for 1914. Note letters in our correspondence columns this week.

W. B. Watkins.—See the correspondence columns this week.

M. J. Griffin. We will certainly make enquiries to see if an error occurred.

POST MORTEM.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 2s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

F. W.—Death resulted from broncho-pneumonia as a complication of catarrh arising from a chill. Upon early evidence of symptoms bird should be placed in a warm position by placing cage near the fire, or in a hot-air cupboard if available, and a few drops of aromatic spirits of ammonia administered in the drinking water sweetened with a little white syrup.

Mr. I. A. Fowler.—Septic fever, a highly infectious and fatal disease. Thorough disinfection of aviary is necessary.

Rollers.—The Green Roller hen died of septic intoxication arising from advanced fatty degeneration of the liver. This organ was very extensively diseased, soft, friable, and of a deep yellow colour; the disease process must have been going on for some months. It is not uncommon for birds suffering from advanced organic disease to present no symptoms of illness until complications occur and death is imminent. The Yellow Roller was similarly affected, but in a much slighter degree, and, in addition, the bowels were in a state of inflammation. Impurities in the food, with long a limitation of irritant poisons, are the most probable cause. I should advise a change of seed for your birds, feeding for a time solely on plain emery seed, twice weekly a small pinch of rape or maw seed. Some of your remaining birds may be of course, similarly affected at the present time.

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WANTED, for cash Canaries or Mules, either sex, colour-fed preferred: Robinson, 33, Besson-st., New Cross, London. (1869)

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WANTED, good matched pair Crests or Yorkshires, exchange disc records or joiner's tools; approval only; offers: Cypher, Bedwas. (1865)

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SISKINS, Goldfinches, and Bullfinches, catcher's price for same; cash by return: W. Gardner, 67, St. Stephens-rd., Preston, Lancashire. (1870)

WANTED, good gramophone or early retriever dog for open Hondans: yours first: Alex. Devine, 378, Main-st., Bonhill, Dumbartonshire. (1864)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets, all kinds of British: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1867)

PEDIGREE pup wanted, over distemper: exchange champion Norwich Canaries, straight dealing: Wilcox, Ivy Cottage, New Sawley, Derby. (1864)

WANTED, Parrots, monkeys, dogs, squirrels, birds, rabbits, ferrets, etc.; purchase or exchange other varieties: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1870)

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WANTED, weekly supplies Goldfinches, small or large quantities, give 12/- for cocks, 5/- hens; also British: Mr. Hobbs, 141, King's-rd., Camden Town. (1866)

WANTED, 1-plate camera, gramophone, Zebra Finches, Dutch rabbits; exchange Borders: hen Spotted Senegal Dove: Bell, 21, Beaufoy-rd., Tottenham. (1866)

WANTED, a good exhibition h.m. Bullfinch hen or cock Hawfinch, will exchange telescope 3ft. sin., long, sell 41 5/-; David Brown, 34, Richard-st., Mardy, Glam. (1865)

WANTED, Canaries, Mules, cash or exchange pullets, Bantams, puppies, rabbits, foreign birds: state wants; offers: Simmonds' Aviaries, 64, Stearn-st., Haggerston, London. (1860)

WANTED, exhibition British; exchange two Yorkshire cages and cage, 5/-; four Yorkshire cages and cage, 8/6; two Border cages 2/6; new: Davies, 24, College Hill, Llanelli. (1865)

WANTED, Goldfinches or Canaries, in exchange for six Runner Ducks, Black Leghorn cockerel, or pair Black Jacobins, winners: Dewar, Kildean Cottage, Drip-rd., Stirling. (1868)

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WANTED, Norwich Plainheads, must be good or no use; exchange splendid lady's bicycle, Coaster hub, oil bath, gear case, little used, almost new, sell 44: Willoughby, House Decorator, Wolverhampton. (1862)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Rollers, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, and Goldfinches, and Siskins: reasonable for cash: McKeand, Sabright, Castle Douglas. (1862)

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Will give 7/- per pair for large Colour-fed Norwich, 10/- per pair for Crests, 5/- each cock Goldfinch Mules, 4/- each cock Linnet Mules. I also require Lancashires, Lizards, Scotch Fancies, Borders, Yorks., or Nor. Greens and Cinnamons, and Rollers. Good prices given. Will deposit cash with Editor. Send full particulars and stamp for reply.—H. Gledhill, Fleet Lane, Queensbury, Bradford. (1871)

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FAMOUS song tonic, fetches wild birds on song in seven days, 8d.: Jopson, 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1861)

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EXCHANGE six cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch Mules or four hen Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-rd., Bethnal Green, London. (1869)

12 COCKS, four Redpolls, six Twites, two Greenfinches, one hen Greenfinch, all field-moulted, for mulling hens, or cash; Hope, Fort William. (1865)

EXCHANGE large silver-mounted calabash pipe for large cock Bullfinch or Greenfinch, must be good, sell 12/6; approval: 155, Old Fallow, Canock. (1862)

NICE cock Goldfinch, variegated Norwich hen, bred 13 Mules this year; exchange rabbits or Roller cock, full song, sell, 7/6: Alfred Spicer, Chesban, Bucks. (1862)

HANDREAPLED cock Thrush (singing, well fed from hand, sell 7/6; or exchange Goldfinches or Crests) Red, 5/9, Harrow-rd., Duncal Peck, London. (1869)

THREE cock Twites, one hen (half-brood Can.) h.m. Redpoll and Mealy for two Yorkshire or Norwich hens: W. Harper, Glemman Hou., Fort William, 1865)

COCKS, 1913 Norwich Green, h.m. Dobbie, large birds, wanted clear Norwich, cocks or hens, unlighted: R. Oultrim, Hurst Cottages, Linsford. (1861)

FEW large cock Goldfinches, caged months, (then did birds, 4/6 each; large cock brown Linnet, 2/-, all full song, exchange: Cooper, 113, Prince-st., Manchester. (1862)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch Mule and cock Goldfinch for pair Norwich, sell 10/-; Oxye Tits, 14 pair; exchange Budgerigars: Gardener, The Berches, East Harling, Norfolk. (1862)

MULE breeders and exhibitors, Goldfinch cock, 12/6; Greenfinch, 10/6; Linnet, 8/6; all h.m. and have bred; exchange Norwich or Rollers; no rubbish wanted: Jones, 1, Station rd., Whittington, Salop. (1868)

NOTICE, two giant English cock Goldies, fit to win prizes in any company, and sure mulers, only 5/6 each; or exchange for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries: Power and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1867)

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Mainly Canaries.

FOR sale two cocks, four hens, Yorkshires, 41 5/-; or exchange Rollers: R. Jackson, 43, Spring-lane, Radcliffe. (1867)

EXCHANGE six Roller hens for two cocks, sell 9/-; or offers: F. Burden, 58, Hall-st., Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. (1865)

EXCHANGE unlighted buff Yorkshire cock for boots or blankets, sell 25/-; 17, Aberdeen-ter., Lidget Green, Bradford. (1868)

CANARIES, three cocks, 10 hens, what offers for cash; or exchange anything useful: Carter, 70, Albert-rd., Luton, Beds. (1861)

TYPICAL Yorkshire cock and two hens, 20/-; exchange anything; approval: Marsden, 26, 88ads-worth, Blackburn. (1864)

FIVE pairs of Yorkshires, Amber's strain, sell 15/- pair; or exchange Rollers or Lizards: J. Hill, Nostell, Wakefield. (1866)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshire hen (unlighted) for Roller cocks, or sell 15/-; Tamsay, 57, Reid-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (1864)

SALE live cocks, live hens, 1914, 30/- lot; or exchange poultry, 35/-; approval: Butterfield, Thistle-latt, Crook, Durham. (1866)

EXCHANGE pair of good Norwich Canaries for pair Yellow Budgerigars, or good Parrot (a): T. Bingham, March, Camb. (1866)

DOUBLE breeder and pair well-matched Yorkshires 12/6, or exchange exhibition h.m. Goldfinch: Gibbon, 142, High-st., Stombridge. (1864)

EXCHANGE young Norwich cocks or hens for gent's thin boots, 10/-, new or second-hand: Dyer, Castle-st., Thornbury, Glos. (1864)

WANTED, anything useful for house; exchange high-class pair Norwich or sell 42/-; offers: Mackintosh, Llanview, Peterhead. (1869)

ON approval; mulling Finch, also seven 1914 mulling hens, 10/-, or offers, cash or deposit: Dunn, Post-man, Northam, North Devon. (1867)

CRESTED hen, very heavy crest, cost 43/-; exchange Crest or Crested cock, must be large: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersen. (1865)

WILL sell or exchange champion Yorkshire or Norwich, good violin or mandoline wanted: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1869)

GEN'S cycle, 41/-; exchange Canaries, British, offers: pair Borders, 41/-; exchange, wanted Norwich, Crests: Leigh, 89, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1860)

FOUR pairs of Norwich non-fed, yellow variegated cocks, buff hens, birds that have won prizes, 15/- pair, or exchange: Clark, 79, King-st., Peterhead. (1862)

WANTED, good Norwich hen, unlighted; exchange good singing cock Canary, cock Goldfinches: Cook, Dunedin, Florence-rd., Shanklan, Isle of Wight. (1870)

WANTED, Yorkshires, Norwich, Mules, songsters for cash, or exchange, treadle sewing machine, sell 41 10s.; equal new: Lauham, 36, Walcot, Bath. (1870)

EXCHANGE one good pair of Yorkshires for one good Norwich cock or three hens; approval: F. Owen, 66, Wolverhampton-rd., Canock, stalls. (1862)

EXCHANGE Schoolmaster, 1913, Roller cock, rung, and his son, 1914, and three hens; exchange Yorkshire cocks: E. John, 2, Dolexfelm-st., Caerphilly, Glam. (1869)

NOTICE, will give good exchange in Norwich Yorkshire, or Border show cages for any variety Canaries or British birds: McKeand, Sabright, Castle Douglas. (1862)

EXCHANGE for good yellow Norwich hen, unlighted, two clear Yorkshire hens, 1913, two 1914 Norwich, one Yorkshire cock; particulars, stamp: Walter Tann, High-st., Littleport. (1862)

EXCHANGE Roller Schoolmaster for yellow Yorkshire songster, must be on full song; also 12/6 worth of 10m. records; exchange Yorkshire songster; yours first: Goodman, Edgar-rd., Yiewsley. (1865)

Mainly Foreign.

BUDGERIGARS, three Green hens, 7/6; exchange Goldfinches. Gay, Moor-st., Quinton, Birmingham. (1866)

EXCHANGE Blue-fronted Parrot and little cash, 18 months old, for good talking Grey or Green: Evans, 34, Gilbert-st., Cadxton, Barry. (1863)

TWO cock Budgerigars and one hen, with large fight cage, quite new, what cash offers or exchange: J. Ellsmore, 181, Frederick-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (1861)

Miscellaneous.

FOX terrier bitch, 15/-, or six cock Goldies: Edwards, 183, Newgate-lane, Mansfield. (1858)

TWO pure black cocker spaniels, 12-months old, sell cheap; or exchange good birds: Graham, Ballybrack, Dublin. (1878)

PAIR Red-headed Finches, one Pileated Finch; exchange photographic, old china: Meaden, Tisbury. (1863)

26 PEDIMENT cages, various, 24 back cages, seven Thrush, six Lark runs (new), sell cheap; exchange live stock: Moore, 8, Sylvan-grove, London. S.E. (1864)

EXCHANGE prize bred Borders for typewriter; mutual approval: B. 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E.
 BUFF Norwich cock, 4th Harrigate Open, 20/-; exchange British: Housfield, Saddler, Briggate, Knaresbro. (1868)
 EXCHANGE Mules and British for Primus field glasses or cash: Fendon, 10, North-st., Herne Bay, Kent. (1868)
 PAIR of Norwich, 10/6; exchange for curtains, linen, anything: Rawlings, 28, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (1867)
 EXCHANGE suit lengths, costume lengths for Guinea Pigs: Gaunt, 1, Erie-st., Whitecote, Braughly, Leeds. (1864)
 EXCHANGE silver-plated cornet for British bird or sell 10/-: G. Wheeler, 519, Bethnal Green-rd., London, E. (1865)
 WHAT offers for cobby pair Black Pekin Bantams; Canary preferred: W. Fielder, 29, Leighton Grove, London. (1861)
 GREYHOUND bitch, four years, good course, sell 10/- or exchange Canaries: Davies, 64, Bridge-st., Leamington. (1864)
 PAIR White Java Doves, 1/-; or exchange cage birds: R. H. Turner, Albert Cottage, 1a, Albert-rd., Oswestry. (1862)
 EXCHANGE good 1914 Norwich cock for cock Linnet Mule, wild notes, Hicks, 31, Cotehele-avenue, Plymouth. (1866)
 EXCHANGE high-class lop rabbits for Roller Canaries, good strain: E. Saxon, 8, Mafeking-rd., Smethwick. (1863)
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 SALE or exchange new cycle gas lamp, exchange for singing cock Goldfinch: Hubbard, 69, Chalk Farm-rd., London, N.W. (1867)
 TWO pairs of Canaries and one odd hen, exchange for ladies' cycle: W. Paisley, Newton Duntton, Biggleswade, Beds. (1865)
 CAMERA, 1/ plate, pocket, 25/-; also various lenses; exchange Parrot, gramophone records: Little, Hope-place, Liverpool. (1863)
 SALE or exchange a few good Borders; cocks, 5/-; hens, 3/6; or exchange anything useful: J. Studholme, Lockerbie. (1862)
 AS new, mandoline and case, cost 27/-; will take two pairs of Canaries: Standard Aviaries, Newton Heath, Manchester. (1861)
 WANTED offers in Canaries for all-wool Scotch blankets, or sell 25/-: Wright, 11, Manning-rd., Shawlands, Glasgow. (1863)
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 EXCHANGE six Magpie Pigeons (blacks), ring 1913, 1914, 30/-, for cock Canaries: McInnes, 172, Victoria-avenue, Hull. (1859)
 FOR SALE black pomeranian bitch, 7/6; or exchange lady's boots, size 5: Booth, Clarence-st., Spennymore, Durham. (1867)
 BEAUTIFUL Irish terrier dog, 12 months old, clean, obedient, 15/-; exchange anything useful: Motley, Grocer, Feteley Bridge. (1865)
 WANTED, small birds for aviary, will give air gun in exchange or sell 12/-: T. Benson, 35, Bright-st., Commercial-rd., Halifax. (1866)
 RACING pigeons, two pure Seelies, 2/5 each, 4/- two; exchange for two cock Goldfinches: J. Palmer, junr., Enderby, Leicester. (1861)
 EXCHANGE good Whippet bitch, true to rag, for pinnamon Norwich cock, yellow and hen: T. Saunders, 68, Georges-st., Ayr. (1862)
 MEN'S best boots, 8's, new, 12/6; opera glasses, 10/6; exchange Canaries, British; offers: Cooper, 43, Oxley-st., Wolverhampton. (1865)
 EXCHANGE three Roller hens house-moulded hen Brambling, for British show cages, or offers: Ormerod, 5, Flag-st., Baccup. (1862)
 EXCHANGE trio Old English Spangle Gamo Bantams, won winners, for trained Roller: Legg, 41, Clifton-st., Newtown, Exeter. (1867)
 EXCHANGE trap and call cage, spring net trap, call cage, for foreign birds; anything useful; sell: Morris, Recreation, Chertsey. (1866)
 GRAND miniature toy pinn, pedigreed wolf sable, 17 months, free from vice, 50/-, or part exchange: Gilbert, 16, Gowan-st., Albroath. (1865)
 FAWN mastiff bitch, 12 weeks, good pedigree, sell 11/-; or exchange for four cock Canaries: H. Wagstaff, Portland-rd., Selston, Notts. (1867)
 23 GOOD breeding cages, whole piece backs, quantity loose fronts, 25/-; or exchange Canaries: Kendall, Foldings, Scholes, Cleckheaton. (1865)
 EXCHANGE three well bred adult Dutch rabbits for pair cage birds, or offers: F. Bartley, 4, Cardiff-rd., Troedyrhiv, Glamorganshire. (1860)
 LABRADOR Retriever, three years, trained to gun, good guard; exchange birds, anything value 30/-: Rutherford, Kilm-hill, Tweedmouth. (1868)
 ROOK and rabbit rifle, No. 3 bore, new, with cleaning rod, cost 15/6; exchange two cock Linnet Mules: Smith, 15, Church-st., Chelsea, S.W. (1869)
 WANTED, Cockatiels, Mules, Bantams, carriers, pom bitch; cash or offers; exchange Yorkshire Canaries: Bayliss, Middle-st., Worcester. (1865)
 VIOLIN bow and case, 1/6; Towest canvas valise, 8/-; flute, 2/6; or exchange for Siskins, hen Canaries: Middleton, 36, Northgate, Canterbury. (1867)
 WANTED, cock Mule, Goldfinch notes; exchange three early cock Goldfinches; approval both ways: Mule first: Saunders, Paperhanger, Tiverton. (1866)
 GLAZIER'S diamond, value 15/-, new condition, approval; exchange for Canaries, Mules, poultry, or offers: Biddle, 16, Belitha Villas, London, N. (1866)
 ALL house-moulded, two pairs Budgies, one pair each Redbill Weavers, Bullfinches, Goldfinches; exchange Borders: Irving, Lawson-st., Carlisle. (1860)
 EXCHANGE hand-reared Yellowhammer, mulling Greenfinch cocks for yellow Norwich or Yorkshire hen: Taylor, 8, George-st., Burnbank, Hamilton. (1866)
 SALE or exchange 21 double-sided records, like new for large Norwich or Crests; approval; offers wanted: Middlebrook, Earl-st., Haworth, Keighley. (1867)
 HOUSE-MOULDED cock Chaffinch, hand-reared hen Chaffinch, pair prize-bred Black Fantails, what offers: Whitaker, 3, Siddon-st., Winsford, Cheshire. (1866)
 THREE-COMPARTMENT breeder, 5/-; magnificent aviary, cost 25/-, perfect, 7/6; Rollers, 7/6 pair; wanted cycle tyres, tubes: 11, Nevett-st., Preston. (1867)
 SEWING machine, hand, lock-stitch, perfect worker, new condition, cover, accessories, 25/-; offers exchange: Penn, 421, Portobello-rd., London. (1861)
 EXCHANGE two Redpoll Greenfinch Hybrids, both winners; wanted good Chow dog puppy; no rubbish; or sell 30/- each: F. Child, Downs, Luton, Beds. (1866)
 WANTED, two typical Yorkshire yellow hens for a good bred Irish terrier bitch, five months old; approval: Kaye, 3, Ivy-st., Crosland Moor, Huddersfield. (1865)
 EXCHANGE exceptional quality lady's or gent's mobcap, for singing Canaries; offers: Dobbs, Uphellen's Manufacturer, 846, Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1864)

EXCHANGE Edison Standard phonograph, cost 47 10s.; also 70 records, for Canaries, or sell 13 lot: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1854)
 30in. BRASS phonograph, horn and stand, also 2in. flower horn, sell 8/- pair; or exchange Canaries or Goldies: Vassie, 79, Dundas-st., Kingston, Glasgow. (1863)
 LARGE white enamelled aviary, three compartments; exchange for large bull Norwich hen, or sell 15/-: Buckleton, 68, York-avenue, Manley Park, Manchester. (1867)
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 EXCHANGE hens, three Canaries, two Mules for Cocks, Goldfinches; also one pair adult Yellow Budgerigars, 6/6; Goldfinches first: T. Lister, Station-rd., Leven, Fife. (1868)
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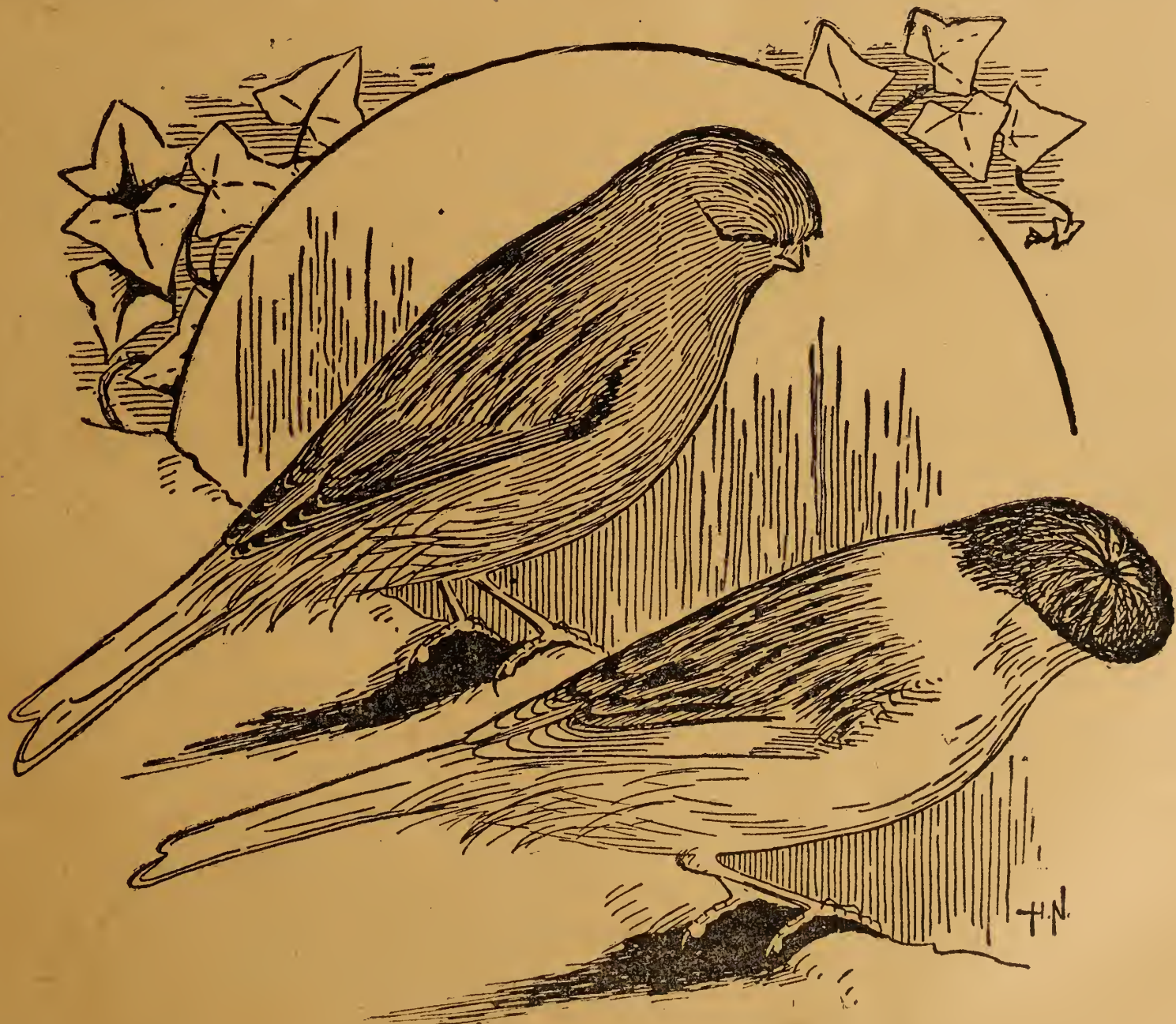
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CHAMPION Belgians, yellow and buff cocks and hens, cheap, approval, will exchange pair Belgians for pair Crests or Scotch Fancy; no rubbish offered or wanted: Butts, 12, Lower Maudlin-st., Barnstaple. (1874)

Cinnamons.

GRAND large deep yellow 1913 cock, winner, Dorrner's strain direct, bargain, 17/6; Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (1876)

GRAND cinnamons, stock or show birds, cup winners, also winners of many prizes; stamp: Brown, 35, Muttony Plain, Plymouth. (1866)

CHAMPION cinnamons, few choice birds at low prices, from my winners, at all leading shows: Rev. Nunc, Harrington, Cumberland. (1877)

MRS. TWEDDLE, Wemberley-st., Blackburn, can spare a few Cinnamons bred from my Liverpool and Manchester winners; also few Greens; stamp reply: (1869)

"STILL at the Front" with Cinnamons. Won three firsts, second, two thirds, out of four Cinnamon classes, 56 birds, Avonbridge; see report; all colours for sale cheap: Walter S. Wilson, "Glendyne," South Park Road, Hamilton. (1879)

Crests and Crestbreds.

YELLOW marked Norwich cock, good songster, 5/6; large green Crest-bred cock, 7/6; McNaughton, Alce, Yorks. (1881)

CRESTS, massive, winners: cock or hen, 10/6, 20/- each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1851)

EIGHT Crested, 3 Crestbred cocks, 5 Crested, 9 Crestbred hens, mostly rung, from 5/-: Gillespie, 19, Allergate, Durham. (1884)

CREST-BRED cock Canary, 7/6; variegated hen, 3/6, or exchange anything useful: Collins, Morehead Bishop, North Devon. (1874)

CRESTS, C.B.'s, cocks, hens, bred from my winners, sell cheap; approval: Thos. Bewick, 44, Mill-street, South Shields. (1880)

LARGE 1913 yellow, also buff Norwich cock, Bowyer direct, 10/- each; approval, cash or deposit: Eccles, Rhosymedre, Ruabon. (1881)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, sale cheap, or exchange blankets; approval: Fred Clapham, 324, Langsett Terrace, Stockbridge, near Sheffield. (1878)

CREST, Crestbred cocks, hens, all my stock for sale, and birdroom requisites; price reasonable: McCall, 4, Albion rd., West, North Shields. (1861)

NOTICE, grand lot Crests and Crest-breds, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791) CRESTS and Crestbreds, to be sold cheap, same strain as my winners at Newcastle; approval: George Dobson, 102, James-st., Blaydon-on-Tyne. (1883)

T. J. KING, Ingogo, Cheltenham, offers several show Crests, Crestbreds, yellows and buffs, over moult; also grand stock birds, reasonable prices; approval. (1881)

HIGH-CLASS Crests, very large, best strain in England, 35 years breeder, many good winners sold; cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

PAIR young Crests, 21 1/6; another, 17/6; several Crestbred hens, 15/-; all large feathery birds, 1913 rung; approval, deposit: Miss Onslow, "Ingleby," Bournemouth. (1877)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, best blood in the world, a few really good pairs and singles to spare at reasonable prices; say price prepared to give; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1853)

MY entire stock of champion Crests to be sold; this strain is well-known, and has produced some of the best living; state requirements; approval; safe delivery guaranteed: Judge, Silk, Whitstable. (1855)

WILLIAM TATMAN, Midland Road, Wellingborough, has for sale some grand Crests and Crestbreds, cocks and hens, or would exchange about 12 pairs for good motor bicycle and side-car; cash adjustment if necessary. (1884)

C. ROBERTS, breeder winning Norwich; large Bullfinch type cocks, yellows and buffs, can win, from 20/6 each; a special clear yellow cock, show bird, 70/-; stock birds from 10/6; state wants; approval: Stannahay, Newton-drive, Blackpool. (1862)

CHAMPION massive Crestbred cock, variegated, 3rd Norwich recently, price 21/-; monster Crested cock, 2nd Norwich, real topper, can win most shows, price 42 2/-; clinking Crestbred hen, variegated, gem, only 18/6; others equally cheap; above bred from cup winners, best blood extant, 1914 bred, dark Crested hen, Evins' strain, bargain at 7/6: George Cudley, Luton Gowts, Long Sutton. (1886)

A. J. SLADE has some champion Crest and C. Breds for sale, several can win in good company; approval, deposit: 24, Vaughan-rd., Coldharbour-lane, Camberwell. (1853)

YORKSHIRE Greens, a few good birds for show or stock purposes, reasonable; approval: McDermott, 9, Maple Grove, Liverpool. (1883)

NORWICH greens, yellows, and buffs, same mixing as my Manchester winning hen; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (1855)

FOUR high-class Yorkshire greens, 1914 birds, singing incessantly, warranted, 20/-, or offers: Driver, Coal Merchant, Steeton, Keighley. (1877)

STOCK and show birds, from my celebrated winners, holders of the G.C.A. cup; inspection invited; prices reasonable: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1886)

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NORWICH.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

J. C. BARNES, Norwich and York-shire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strainers. Better blood obtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (1886)

ALEX. M. GARDINER, a few Norwich for sale; no better blood; grand type and quality.—Reid's Buildings, Newtongrange. (1886)

J. HODDER, breeder of pure Norwich, winner of diplomas of honour, silver cups and medals, etc.; some fine birds ready at prices to suit all; approval; stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Lukes, London, E.C. (1876)

FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Winner leading shows. Champion Norwich, fit to win local shows, from 20/-; unlighted birds from 7/6; matched pairs from 20/- pair; approval; stamp. (1886)

BRAYBROOK can spare well-bred Norwich, prices very moderate: 9, Stanley-st., Brierfield. (1880)

D. DEVOY has a few high-class Norwich for sale, prices from 10/-: 23, George-st., Stranraer. (1855)

TWO clear hens, buff and yellow, both good 1913 birds, 2/6 each; J. Goodchild, Clare, Suffolk. (1863)

WANTED, Norwich cock Canaries for cash.—Edmonds and Edmonds, Naturalists, Eastbourne. (1881)

NOW is your chance: A few good Norwich cheap for cash; 22, Heath-st., Cheltenham Hill, Manchester. (1886)

FEW colour-fed Norwich for sale, cocks from 5/6, hens 3/6; cash or deposit: Dack, Worthingham, Beccles. (1874)

GRAND Norwich, show or stock birds, champion strain; stamp, approval: Brown, 35, Muttony Plain, Plymouth. (1866)

NORWICH cocks from 7/6, pairs 10/-; wanted, cock Rollers; state prices: Mahus, 65, Shields-rd., S.S. Glasgow. (1886)

YOUNG Canaries, Norwich, handsome birds, cocks, full song, 7/6 and 10/6; hens, 3/6 each: Miss Close, Lenden, Steyning. (1874)

COCK Goldfinch and cage, will sing at anything, 5/6; suit catcher or muler: Fred Allen, Porter-st. Aviaires, Hull. (1886)

SHOW and stock birds, 1913-14, clear and greens, cheap to clear, stamp reply: Hutton, Ivylea, Larch, Stirlingshire. (1861)

TWO buff Norwich cocks, 10/- each; 3 buff hens, 5/- each, Vardy's strain: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire. (1877)

HENS, 3/- each; variegated, 4/-; 1913; good cocks, 10/-; exchange large buff hens: S. Large, 59, Sprules-rd., Brockley. (1885)

NORWICH, 2 splendid yellow cocks, 2 buff hens, 1914, show cage cheap: Gardener, Tranmere, Old Colwyn, North Wales. (1882)

NORWICH for sale, clears, var., yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, cheap; approval: Taylor, 113, High-st., Brechin. (1876)

GOOD Norwich cheap, cocks or hens; value high, prices low; try them and satisfy yourself: Livingstone, (See Borders.) (1884)

GOOD Norwich Plainhead, own breeding, from 10/- pair; approval, deposit, three days: Wilken, 53, Shipstone-rd., Norwich. (1876)

TWO clear buff Norwich cocks, both winners 2nd prizes, 25/- two, or separate: J. Garbutt, 8, Countess-st., Stockport. (1876)

FEW pairs Norwich Plainheads, 12/6 pair upwards; single cocks, 8/6, hens 4/6 upwards: Gilbert, 59, Brownlug-st., Leicester. (1876)

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PRIZE-BRED cocks, 6/6; some very nice hens from 3/6; state wants; on approval: J. Day, Farnham-rd., Bury St. Edmunds. (1885)

HORSLEY, Butcher, Norwich, can spare few grand yellow or buff cocks, plenty of size and quality, 15/- each, hens 10/-; approval. (1863)

NORWICH cocks in full song, from 4/9, hens from 1/9; satisfaction guaranteed: Syd. Mothersole, 50, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (1875)

HANDSOME young, rich yellow and variegated Norwich cocks, splendid songsters, 3/0 each, two 6/-: Stephens, West Drayton. (1860)

GOOD quality buff cocks, 7/6; marked yellow, 7/-; yellow hens, 6/- each, or four for £1: Roberts, 43, Young-st., Derby. (1876)

FEW unlighted clear and ticked yellow Norwich cocks, 5/- each; approval, cash or deposit: R. Hyde, Melville-sq., Bridport, Dorset. (1877)

STOUT, unlighted Norwich fed cocks, 4/-, 5/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6; approval anywhere; deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (1878)

NORWICH cocks for sale, buff 10/-, yellow green 12/6; marked buff, 7/6; on approval: J. Spolthorpe, 2, Upper Raglan-st., Tadmorden. (1875)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Norwich, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1791)

EDWARD FOX, Breeder champion Norwich, winner at Palace, good birds for sale, cheap: Curzon Aviaires, Long Eaton, Nottingham. (1882)

NOVICES, three pairs clear Norwich, cocks actual winners, 17/- pair, own breeding; approval: Townsend, Montrose, Upper Bognor, Bognor. (1874)

HARLAND'S champion Norwich, have few grand birds for disposal; state wants and price about to give; approval: 63, Welbeck-st., Hull. (1865)

GOOD stock birds from winners, flue type and quality, large, healthy, especially hens; moderate price: Barrows, Warrington, Banbury. (1855)

FOR sale, 27, Norwich cocks, also number of hens to be sold all together, or divided into lots; apply: C. Humber, Bridge-st., Barrow-on-Soar. (1876)

LARGE buff cock, 21/-; yellow cock, 10/-; buff hen, 6/6; yellow hen, 7/6; approval, deposit, cold-room: Thomas Herbert, 35, South-st., Redditch. (1875)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, 3 buff variegated, 1 clear (cocks), also few hens; seen any time, Sundays included: Turnbull, 50, Castle-st., Montrose. (1884)

NORWICH cocks, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/- and 5/-; all good typical birds; try one on approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forbes, N.B. (1885)

CLEARING out all my Norwich except 4 pairs, from 7/6; good pairs, 30/- pair; several winners, cheap: Bell, 35, Clementina-terrace, Carlisle. (1883)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large Bullfinch type, 1914, bred from winners, pairs from 12/6; state wants; approval: Clarke, 69, Felixstowe-rd., Ipswich. (1876)

WANTED, good buff Norwich hen (1914); exchange three 1914 Border hens, bred from winners, 2/6 each: J. Garbutt, 8, Countess-st., Stockport. (1876)

GOOD singing Norwich Canaries, natural colour, at 7/6 per pair; or cocks, 6/6; hens, 2/-; guaranteed healthy: 42, Stovell-rd., Moston-lane, Manchester. (1882)

FEW pairs typical Norwich, from 19/6; spare hens, from 4/6; cock Goldfinch Mule, 5/6; approval: Crook, 10, Godfrey-st., Colwick, Nottingham. (1876)

TWO pairs left, colour-fed, buff cock, yellow variegated hen, 17/6; buff cock, buff hen, 15/-; will separate; exchange Crests: Harvey, Faith-st., Maidstone. (1878)

I HAVE some Norwich hens; exchange for Norwich show cages, and cages to hold two cages; yours first: Welch, 129A Avenue-rd., Itchen, Southampton. (1879)

NORWICH hen, beautiful shape, nice feather, will win, 3/6; honestly worth 20/-; cash or deposit; any length of approval; bargain: Fred Allen, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1876)

TWO big Norwich 1913 hens, good feeders, large, light, double breeding cage, movable fronts, all accessories, 7/6 lot; bargain: Wiltshire, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1876)

STRONG, healthy Norwich Canaries for sale; cocks from 6/-; hens from 5/- each; also some stock birds, cocks and hens; state wants: F. Martin, 13, Shelley-st., Northampton. (1882)

A FEW good Norwich for disposal, closely related to my winners, very moderate prices; approval, deposit: G. A. Harris, 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (1883)

LARGE, typical Norwich, good in head and neck, the right sort, cocks from 6s., hens from 5s.; approval, stamp: G. Sharp, 74, Cedar-rd., Sherwood Rise, Nottingham. (1876)

NORWICH, from winners, 1913 marked yellow, and ticked yellow cock, 15/- each; 1913 buff cock, 20/-; bargains; approval, stamp: Smith, 6, Liucoln-st., Gateshead-on-Tyne. (1884)

EXHIBITION: Grand yellow cock, 21/-; grand yellow cock, 15/-; buff cock, 10/-; buff hen, 15/-; yellow hen, 7/6; yellow hen, ticked, 10/-; Girling, Harford-st., Norwich. (1886)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large, grand type, good heads, best strain in England, several winners, 35 years' breeder, cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

HAVE a few birds left, bred same way as my winners, yellows or buffs, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/6: W. Casley, 11, Ebrington-rd., Al

HAVING selected 5 cocks and 6 hens for 1915, I have few grand surplus birds, equal every respect to selected, singles from 7/6, pairs 15/-; approval; with now: E. Allsopp, 40, Bedd road, Cardiff. (1874)

NORWICH to win. C. H. Goodman has some very fine birds of both sexes and colour that can win in good company from 10/0 to 60/-; approval; state requirements to 23, Bedford-rd., Kemp-ton, Bedford. (1870)

THREE 1914 clear buff Norwich cocks, colour f. d. on full song, 6/6 each; large buff hen, 3/6; yellow Yorkshire cock, 6/6; four days' approval, cash or deposit; Peck, Ashman's Hall Gardens, Beckles. (1881)

NORWICH, nice unflighted variegated yellow cock, 2nd members' show, 12/-; typical unflighted cap-marked yellow cock, 10/-; 41 pair; bargain; approval; Parkin-on, 85, Hodder-st., Acreington. (1879)

MR. ECKERSLEY can spare a very typical; large, buff cock, A1 stock bird, 40/-; capped yellow, splendid substance, 30/-; low grand yellow and buff hens: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1880)

WILLIAM PRIESTLEY has for sale 3 unflighted buff hens, and buff cock, Norwich, colour fed, 5/- to 10/-; or would exchange for yellow or buff hen, unflighted: 222, Charles-st., Boldon Colliery, Co. Durham. (1877)

MR. J. DEAN, winner cup, rose bowls, diplomas, medals, etc., has some grand birds from his winning strain, prices from 7/6; state requirements; approval, satisfaction guaranteed: Holmwood, Matlock. (1882)

LARGE, champion Norwich hens, two variegated yellow, winners, he and commended, two var. buff, 1913 bred, two clear yellows, 6/- each; bargains, worth double; Miller, Culmington Manor, Craven Arms. (1880)

AND unflighted buff cock, rare size and substance, 15/-; typical buff hen, 1913, winner 1st Ipswich, 10/-; large yellow cock, bred from my rose bowl winner, 15/-; E. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (1876)

EXHIBITION Norwich, entire stock for sale, including winners; cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/-, all sent on approval; some rare bargains, including cages; deposit: Apply, Baker, 44, Bowthorpe-rd., Norwich. (1879)

EXHIBITION yellow Yorks. cock, 10/6, a gem; monstrous buff cocks, 8/6, 10/6 each; buff and yellow hens, from 5/-; lovely Norwich hen, rare size and quality, only 10/6; F. Marsay, 2, Prospect-place, Lingdale, Boosbeck. (1884)

FOR sale, 2 yellow green cocks, 20/- and 15/- each; also buff green hen, 12/6; or would exchange for yellow green and buff green hens, must be large bodied birds; on approval: McWatt, Bouvridge, Stirlingshire. (1883)

MR. A. L. HAWKES offers exceptional deep coloured winning Norwich hen, with grand head, shape and style with size, out twice in keen competition; accept 12/6, given away: Hawkes, 26, Victoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1884)

CLBAR buff cock, 1913, 2nd open class, good type and colour, would win amateur class, 10/-; buff hens, short and thick-set, sound health, 15/- each; yellow cocks, cheap; approval: A. Bounds, 50, Melville-st., Northampton. (1877)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, colour-fed, grand type, good heads, winners, cocks, hens from 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; several pairs from 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-, 25/-; approval, deposit; stamp reply: Grant, 64, Hughenden-rd., Norwich. (1881)

BUFF wing ticked Norwich cock, 10/-; yellow variegated cock, 8/-; buff hen, cap marked, only 8/-; 1914 bred, from winners; 1913 buff cock, one toe missing, good stock bird, 10/-; also few good cock Goldfinch Mules; bargains: Taylor, Draper, Bigglesford. (1882)

SOME winners in keenest competition to sell which were reserved for my own showing; winners of upwards of 1,000 prizes at all leading shows; exhibition birds from £1 to £4; stock pairs from 15/- upwards; approval and safe delivery guaranteed: Judge Silk, Whitstable. (1869)

MARTIN COOK'S winning strain; about 25 pairs, suit beginners, or those wanting change of blood, either pairs or singly, stock or exhibition, same as my winners leading shows, own breeding; cocks, 10/- upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; approval: 36, Fairbeck-rd., Bournemouth. (1876)

J. A. LEES can spare well-known winning yellow cock, 1913 bred, also unflighted wing-ticked yellow cock, winner, grand type and quality, 20/-; clear unflighted yellow cock, can win, 30/-; clear unflighted yellow cock, grand colour, 15/-; approval on receipt of cash: 18, Market-st., Oxford. (1881)

BERT LEWIS, diploma winner, 18, Windmill-lane, Kettering, can spare few selected birds for show or stock; also matched pairs and few choice buff hens, good heads and necks, same blood as my Leicester winner (see last week's report); state wants; approval anywhere, cash or deposit with Editor. (1882)

TYPICAL smart deep fed unflighted yellow Norwich cock, with plenty of size and substance, 21/-; also decent fed buff cock, trifle larger, 17/6; both in excellent condition for shape and style which will be hard to equal but not excel for treble the money; approval: Hawkes, 26, Victoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1884)

GIVING up exhibiting; clinking capped buff hen, 1912, 35/-; extra good clear buff cock, massive stock and show bird, 30/-; both winners; massive clear buff hen, 1913 stock bird, unfl. 17/6; clear yellow cock, 15/-; unflighted ticked yellow hen, 20/-; unflighted clear yellow hen, 12/6; approval, deposit: Dalzell, 96, Barker-st., Oldham. (1884)

NORWICH CANARIES, 1/15, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-street, London. (1884)

W. NICHOLS, 34, Beaconsfield-rd., St. Margarets, Twickenham, retiring from Faucy. My entire stock of champion Norwich to be sold; this strain is well-known and needs no comment. Grand unflighted yellow cock, 50/-; ditto hen, 40/-; others from 10/- upwards; also Yorkshire buff cock, 1st Richmond, 3rd Windsor open, 30/-; state requirements: stamp reply. (1880)

MR. C. W. SILK will offer a few of his noted winning Norwich, including his 2nd Palace clear buff, and the yellow, a chance for a fancier to get a grand team; see show reports for wins. (1) Clear buff cock, noted winner the last three shows, Portsmouth, 1st and spl. Po-combe 1 sp., Palace, 2nd, now in grand form, one of the best, 45/-; (2) yellow cock, even marked wings, winner two 1st and vbe. Palace, as unflighted, now ready to do some winning, 41/-; (3) grand clear yellow hen, winner 1st last week, very short and cobby, the right sort for stock as well as on bench, 48/-; (4) unflighted ticked yellow, a real tip-top one in all respects, certain winners, 43 10/-; also several others, bred same as above, 10/-, 15/-, 25/- each; approval with pleasure: Glenrosa, Ensworth, (1884)



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CHAMPION NORWICH HENS.
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SINGING COCKS, 3/9
Hens 1/3; Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Fancies; guaranteed sound and reliable; approval; trade supplied: E. Broadbent, Decorator, Lowfield, Sheffield. (1877)

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Winner of numerous prizes, including 3 1sts and specials, 3 2nds, 3 3rds, special for most points in show, and special for best colour in show; read Bedford show report; some grand show and stock birds for sale from 7/6 to £2 10/-; 19, St. Mary's, Bedford. (1826)

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has supplied winners this season; large buff cocks, 20/- to 30/-; also yellow and buff hens, 15/- to 20/-; approval, stamp: 217, Brunshov-rd., Burnley. (1865)

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ROLLERS, cocks 2/9, 4/9, and 5/9, hens 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Favers, N.B. (1884)

SALE, 3 good Seifert hens, 5/- lot, or exchange singing Yorkshire cock: 23, Albert-terr., Newswort, Mon. (1871)

CHAMPION, 1914, cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; 4 days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield-Cottage, Hays-day. (1862)

PURE Rollers, none better at 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 28, Kaville-st., Stour-bridge. (1878)

GLUCKE and Seifert Rollers, cab rung, 1914, cocks, 10/6, hens 3/-; R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (1880)

RANDALL'S Glucke strain, 1914, rung cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; approval: Leigh, 57, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (1883)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, finest strain, full song, cold-room bred 1914; cocks, 7/6 and upwards; Aston, Reinder, Worcester. (1876)

ORGAN and schoolmaster trained, young Glucke and Water-Glucke cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6; Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldesley. (1874)

ROLLERS, one 1913 6/-, 1914 4/6, cocks, singing; hox cages 9d.: Bent, 97, Hamilton-st., Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1862)

PURE Randall's hollow roll strain, cocks 19/-, 12/6, 15/-, £1, hens 5/-; cash or deposit: Charles Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1864)

DEEP Water-Glucke Rollers, winning strain, cocks from 10/6, hens from 3/6; approval: Parker, 5, Gladys-rd., Learwood, Birmingham. (1870)

WANTED, a Roller cock Canary, unflighted; must be good songster; no fancy prices; give particulars: Dymock, Prestfleh, Shrewsbury. (1879)

NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1871)

WANTED Roller cock, exchange good Linnet Mule; Howard, Factory-rd., Royston, Herts. (1871)

WALTON'S champion Glucke, water Glucke Rollers; cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; approval, deposit: Walton, 6, Cross Green Crescent, Leeds. (1875)

ABSOLUTE bargain: Two 1913 English bred Seifert Roller Schoolmaster cocks in full song, 10/- each; Taylor, Sunningdale Terrace, Bidford. (1882)

DEEP Glucke Roller cocks, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, 18/6, 20/- and 25/- each; approval: Smith, 19, Lichfield-rd., Newington, Wolverhampton. (1882)

PURE Randall's, genuine bargain, two deep Glucke Roller Schoolmasters, B.R.C.C. rung, £1 each; Jepson, 181, Bury-rd., Rawtenstall, Manchester. (1872)

NICE little Yorkshire Terrier bitch; exchange Rollers or British Birds; approval with pleasure: Anstee, 117, Queen's-rd., New Tredegar, Mon. (1881)

SIX 1914 Glucke Roller cocks, all B.R.C.C. rung full song, 10/6 each; approval: R. Evans, 4, Burnett-st., Merrington-lane, Spennymoor, Durham. (1881)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, Organ and Schoolmaster trained, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks 10/6, hens 5/6; approval: Hunter, 21, Cross-st., Prescot. (1881)

AWARDED gold medal Crystal Palace 1914, pure Randall's strain, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks 12/6, hens 5/-; exchange offers: King, 89, York-st., Cambridge. (1881)

HIGH-CLASS water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 10/6, hens 4/-; inspection invited; approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1864)

GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers, young cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens same strain, 5/6; 7 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Great Harwood. (1882)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1882)

BARGAIN—2 genuine high-class Roller schoolmasters, pure Randall direct, 15/6 and 25/-, B.R.C.C. rung; Wantling, 32, Corporation-st., Bacup. (1880)

WANTED, six Roller cocks, on full song, in exchange chocolate male, sable female Pom puppies, 5 months, champion pedigree: Davies, 31, Barke-st., Higgley. (1870)

GENUINE, Glucke, water Glucke Rollers, Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-; approval, deposit: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (1876)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained cocks from 10s. 6d., hens from 3s. 6d.; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne. (1877)

TWO 1914 Roller Norwich cocks, full song; exchange good pair gent's boots, size 7, or what offers; yours first: A. Draper, 55, North-st., Halstead, Essex. (1880)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's, highly trained cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 3/-; pairs selected; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Cook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1860)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks from 7/- to 15/-; hens from 2/6 to 5/-; guaranteed as advertised; all birds B.R.C.C. rung: W. G. Blythe, 1, Russell-st., Bacup. (1881)

PRIZE-BRED Rollers; a few pairs to part with, 12/6 and 15/- per pair, worth 3 times the price; apply for particulars and testimonials to E. Stanton, Cycle Stores, Alcester. (Member B.R.C.C.) (1848)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks in song from 10/6, pairs from 15/-, hens from 4/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-terr., Bradford-rd., Batley, Yorkshire. (1880)

MR. J. SCOTT, of Bolton, who has gone to the front, has asked me to dispose of his surplus young birds; cocks from 10/-, hens 5/- each; all related to his last year's winners, apply: Jos. Kilshaw, 5, Orm-st., Bolton. (1878)

HAVING bred 100 Seifert Rollers from contest birds, finest strain only, Glucke and others; dark Goldfinch-Canary Mules, all birds 1914, moderate prices; deposit: Miss Thomas, Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1867)

BRITISH bred Rollers, B4 rung, father winner at International, Rossendale, Bury, Bolton and Grimsby shows; cocks, 10/6 and 12/6 each; few hens, 3/- each; Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway Avenue, Bridlington. (1877)

CONTEST Rollers, delightful singers, cold-room bred and finest blood extant; cocks 10/6 to 15/-, hens 5/-; pairs scientifically mated, 12/6 to 21/-; approval seven days' or call and hear them: Squire Commercial, Bark House, Birstall, Leeds. (1881)

MR. JAS. SCOTT, of Bolton, who has been at the fighting line since the war began, not having been able to train his birds has asked Mr. Kilshaw to dispose of his young birds for him as he will not be able to show any. See previous advert. (1878)

WINNERS for sale and young birds fit to win; cups, diplomas for best hollow roll, best Glucke, 150 and medals 1913 shows; cocks 2nd Leeds, 31 points and special best Glucke, 50/-; others as cheap; hens, 5/-; H. G. Hill, 55, School-rd., Mosely, Birmingham. (1884)

WINNER 1st, 2nd, and championship Crystal Palace, 1914, also winners at Horticultural Hall, International shows, can spare few birds from the above winners, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks from 15/-, hens 10/-; inspection; approval: F. Hoeking, 21, Market-place, Waltham, London. (1875)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer of high-class Rollers; 1 offer grand 1914 cocks, splendid singers, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6; extra deep toned cocks, 10/6, 12/6 each; seven days' approval; birds sent at once on receipt of part cash balance in seven days: Day, 7, Port-rd., Hull. (1867)

HIGHLY ORGAN-TRAINED ROLLERS.

I have been fortunate in securing several lots of above, and am now offering these trained Rollers of very best strain, at 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, and 21/-; hens of same strain, 2/6, 3/6, and 5/- each, pairs, mated for breeding, 15/-, 17/6, 20/-; other home bred, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, hen, 1/6, 2/-, cages, 3d. W. Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, cold room bred, perfectly trained; cocks, in full song, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; Roller box cages, with folding doors, 3/9, 5/- each; mated singing cages, 2/6, cabinets for same, 2/6; special sweet Roller rape, 6d. lb., 7/6s. 3/4; Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1886)

DEEP Glucke Rollers, same strain as the two birds I showed at the Inter. show, London, Feb., 1914, which gained 1st, 4th and 6 special, also winners of several cups, soap, crucif., medals, etc.; cocks, 15/-, 20/-, and two lot for contest, 25/-; hens, 5/- each, B.R.C.C. rung, cold room bred; or exchange anything: Bird, Brook-st., Bolton. (1878)

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BELGIAN, BRITISH

and Dutch bred Rollers, superior to the old German bred birds, softest singers on the market, 6/6, 8/6, and the best trained birds 10/6 each, hens 4/6 each, 13/- dozen; best Roller hens 2/- each, 15/- dozen; repeat orders coming in by every post; Green Budgezigers, adult birds, 5/- pair; Shanahs, bred from hand, singing, 42/- each; Chinese Crested Minnabs, 7/6 each; all sent at my risk; deposit Editor: C. A. Lier, 87, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

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Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. These wonderful songsters, only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens same strain, 3/6 and 5/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich and other Canaries on the same terms; lists free: Bair-tows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (1878)

ARE YOU LOOKING

for my advt. of Roller Canaries this season? I am not offering imported birds, but have some grand guaranteed cold room bred English Rollers in good free song, day and gaslight, all real trained birds, free from harsh notes; price, cocks 6/6 and 7/6 each; also an exceptionally choice lot of contest Rollers in full fearless song, at 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 21/- each. These contest birds are purchased from one of the most successful breeders in England, and my stock contains several actual winners. Roller hens 2/- and 3/- each. I also hold a splendid lot of loud, free singing Hartz cocks in 1st noisy song, day and gaslight, at 5/6 each. Norwich cocks, all colours, in full song, 5/6, 6/6 and 7/6 each; Yorkshire cocks 5/6, 6/6 and 7/6 each; Norwich and Yorkshire hens 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, and 4/- each. Travelling cages 3d. per bird extra. All Canaries are sent on full week's trial, either on receipt of cash or deposit with "Cage Birds," and money instantly refunded if entire satisfaction is not given. (See British Bird and Appliance columns for further advt.)

W. GORE, 131, Goch-st., BIRMINGHAM

British Bred Rollers

Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of best organs, price 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; 100 trained, all guaranteed and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best tick Rollers in England; proper Roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beauties, 3/-; established fifty years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Scotch Fancies.

A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale; good stock birds; William Muirhead, Main-st., Bannockburn. (1884)

ALL my well-known stock for sale, including 16 young birds, cages, rack, etc.: McIlwain, School, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1884)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young buff cocks and hens; or exchange for yellow cock; on approval: Keddie, 35, Market-st., St. Andrews. (1863)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, offer some clinking exhibition and stud birds, pairs 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; the finest strain in existence; unbeatable for 50 years. many championships Crystal Palace, including championship for best in show, Palace, 1914; approval, cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. (1884)

YORKSHIRES.

Some of the finest quality in Great Britain today. The prices are about as usual, but the value is very unusual, and value is not to be the only true test of cheapness. Have on approval, compare with all others, which will prove the facts of this statement. Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 11/6 upwards; approval; cages, 3d; detailed list free: W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

FOUR pairs left, cocks 6/6, hens 2/6, pairs 7/6, cocks ranging well: Edwin Clibbe, 33, Lonsdale-st., Chester. (1876)

YORKSHIRE cocks, 8/6, hens 2/6; travelling case with six cages, 12/6: White, 3, Katherine rd., Twick culham. (1881)

YES, an excellent season, over 100 own bred, colour-fed Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. (1884)

YORKSHIRES for sale, cocks 10/6, hens 4/6; see show reports Clapham, etc.: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (1884)

TWO pairs of variegated Yorkshire Canaries, unrelated, 1914, 10/6 per pair: G. Spring, West-st., Clatteris, Cambs. (1879)

FOR disposal, the whole of my stock of prize-bred Yorkshires, cages, utensils: Goodwin, 136, Warham-st., Kemington, S.E. (1874)

PRIZE bred Yorkshires, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6 upwards; few good stock birds: J. Maguire, 59, Tenter-st., Rotherham. (1880)

TWO Yorkshire hen Canaries, one green, 6/6; exchange, yours first; approval: E. Singer, 19, William Henry-st., Saltires. (1875)

MUST clear; Yorkshires show or stock, winners among them, bargain, from 10/- upwards: Charles, 114, Cyfarthfa-st., Cardiff. (1886)

YORKSHIRES, young, colour-fed, cocks from 5/-, hens 2/-, own bred, good songsters: Bleck, 3, West-bourne-terr., Hove, Sussex. (1885)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, cocks 5/6, hens 3/6, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1848)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1876)

SEVERAL good Yorkshires, cocks from 5/- upwards, hens from 3/- upwards; approval: Hatch Bros., 34, Anliffe-st., Chorley. (1872)

BRED from winners, few grand yellow cocks to be sold cheap, 10/-, 12/6, worth double; 35 years breeder; approval: T. Billington, 53, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1877)

NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1871)

EXHIBITION yellow Yorkshire cock, unflighted, bargain, 15/-; approval; few odd hens: Wright, 32, Church-rd., St. Annas, Lancashire. (1879)

OVERSTOCKED, must clear, cold-room bred, cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-; several won honours: Last, 8, Bank Buildings, Purley. (1877)

QUALITY Yorkshires, colour-fed, typical showy specimens, many winners, cocks from 5/6; call Saturday, Sunday: 35, Alma-rd., Wandsworth. (1882)

DEALERS equipped with Yorkshires in large or small quantities; write for our latest wholesale price list: Rooley Aviaris, 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford. (1880)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1888)

STRONG, healthy buff cock Yorkshire, good length, 17/6; 1914 yellow hen, 4/-; Ogdens' strains: V. Lomer, Ashdene, Regents Park, Southampton. (1877)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, clears, yellow cocks, 10/6; yellow and buff hens, 7/6 upwards; approval, deposit: J. A. Oates, Foundry Cottage, Tavistock. (1882)

YORKSHIRES, 10 pairs, best money offers; bred from prize strain; or separate 10/- pair upwards: F. J. Bees, 27, Bodringall-terr., Ystrad, Rhondda, S. Wales. (1875)

HAVING bought the whole of Mr. Crisp's stock of Yorkshires I have several grand breedy birds for disposal, reasonable: Knight, Beech Holt, Shelford, Cambs. (1866)

YORKSHIRES bred from winners, four cocks, four hens; hens from 5/-, cocks from 7/6; giving up; seen any time: Holson, 42, Northcote-rd., Clapham Junction, S.W. (1882)

MILLS AND SONS, Wadebridge, has some clinking Yorkshires, winners in keen competition, 1913, 1914, for sale, 10/- upward; also few 5/- each, cocks and hens; approval. (1884)

FOR sale, two grand pairs Yorkshires, natural colour, Joe Thomas's strain, 12/6 per pair; air, or others: James Schofield, 317, Rochdale-rd., High Crompton, Shaw. (1880)

PRESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks from 5/-; hens from 3/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (1880)

OVERSTOCKED with Yorkshires; guaranteed cocks, from my winning strain, full song, 4/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1885)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, grand, long, slim, typical cocks, from 5/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Coleridge-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1876)

SERGEANT THOMAS can spare several exhibition and stock Yorkshires, all prices; see Southern show reports; cash or deposit; approval: Laughey Common Farm, Barkham, Reading. (1875)

NOTICE, grand lot Yorkshires, colour fed, 40 to part with, state your wants; see last week's; pairs, 8/-, 10/6, 12/6 to 20/-; odd cocks, 6/6, 7/6; Fewster, Middle-town, near Wakefield. (1875)

SEVEN good lengthy Yorkshires for sale, pair of Norwich, 3rd and 4th Huddersfield; offers for lot or sell in pairs: W. Barker, Hairdresser, 61, Park-rd., Crossland Moor, Huddersfield. (1880)

WANTED, any quantity of Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also cock Goldfinch Mules, for prompt cash; stamp envelope reply: Enoch Power, 61, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London, E. (1880)

WHOLESALE, Dealers supplied with colour-fed Yorkshires and Norwich at very low prices, in small or large quantities; send for price list to: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1874)

YELLOW cock, Canamom marked hen, 15/-; two buff hens, 5/- each; green marked yellow hen, 2/6; green marked buff hen, 2/6; singing cocks from 5/-; Prior, Doost-st., Penistone, Yorkshire. (1880)

TICK yellow cock, buff hen, 12/6 pair; clear buff cock, yellow hen, 10/6 pair; two cocks, 5/6 each; all cocks singing; bred from winners; on approval: John-o-o, 133, March House-lane, Warrington. (1877)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, winning strain, cocks 7/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; few large stock birds, 10/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1876)

PRIZE bred Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, bred from my winners, hens 5/- upwards, cocks 7/6 upwards; cash or deposit; approval with pleasure: Hosken Bros., 85, Main-st., Heamoor, nr. Penzance, Cornwall. (1850)

KLING'S selected Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7ins. long; cocks 6/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval; carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebdon Bridge, Yorkshire. (1882)

FANCERS! I have a good stock of the best strain; pairs from 7/6; write stating wants; satisfaction guaranteed; show case with three cages, 7/6; another with two, 5/-: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (1879)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, 1914, yellow cock, 20/-; buff hen, 15/-; buff ticked cock, 15/-, fit for exhibition; few large cocks, 19/- upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1882)

YORKSHIRES, about 70, including many winners, must clear owing to pressure of business (see report Newcastle); no reasonable offer refused; state want; pairs from 12/6 upwards; 7 days' approval: Cattell, 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1882)

BARGAINS: pair Yorkshires, yellow cock, buff hen, 3rd prize Oxford 30/- selling, will sell £1; pair Yorkshires, 4th Bedford £1 selling, will sell 12/6; buff cock, yellow hen; approval, deposit: Dimmock, Market Square, Leighton Buzzard. (1885)

MR. A. L. BAWKES offers winning typical, lengthy, long legged, colour-fed, unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock, been out twice in keen competition, a real gem, accept 20/-; also buff cock of exceptional merit, now fit for the hottest open competition, 17/6; great sacrifice; approval: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1884)

COMPLIMENTARY sale: Clear buff stock Yorkshire cocks, rare length, 30/-; clear buff 1914 Yorkshire cocks, equal to above, 20/-; clear buff 1914 Yorkshire cock, winner small shows, 20/-; £3 10/- lot; ticked buff, 2nd Llandrindod 1913, only time out, 25/-; 2 yellows, 3 buff hens, from winners, lot 25/-: T. M. Phillips, Ynyswen House, Felinfoel, Llanelly, Carm. (1885)

ATKINSON AND FIRTH

We have now ready some choice Yorkshires either for stock or exhibition, cinnamon marks a speciality; see Y.U. show reports; no fabulous prices: 403, Rooley-lane, Bradford.

YORKSHIRES

Slim, racy, upstanding birds, bred direct from my winners, cocks, 20/-, 15/-, 12/6; hens, 10/-, 7/6; all birds sent on approval; I guarantee satisfaction; last season my birds won Irish silver cup, fifteen firsts, and numerous specials: J. T. Morgan, Mountmellick. (1884)

POWICK'S CHAMPION YORKSHIRES

Typical birds, standard length, all on full song, 7/6; sure winners 10/6; hens, 5/6 each; ten days' approval at my risk: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewshury, Yorkshire. (1839)

OGDEN BROS.

We have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford.

L. DYKES

Yorkshires win wherever shown; see reports, Tong and Coventry, in this issue. My winnings for years are far above any other exhibitors. I have some real good matched pairs, bred from and related to my winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/- per pair; odd cocks or hens proportionate; also several that can win in keen competition or local shows at reasonable prices; all on seven days' approval at my risk; cash or deposit with Editor; kindly state wants; I guarantee entire satisfaction: Reliable Aviaris, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1880)

Winners at War Prices.

Fanciers requiring genuine typical Yorkshires, like Coventry winners, should write now. Young Buffs, from 10/- each; Yellows, 12/-; every bird bred to win. One fine Yellow 1913 bird, win anywhere, 15/-.—J. Sheppard, 129, Floyer Road, Small Heath, Birmingham. Always reliable. (1866)

Various Canaries.

FOR sale, three cock Canaries, at 6/6 each, or 15/- the three: Woodcock, 46, Downs-rd., Walmer, Kent. (1876)

SALE three cocks, five hens, 25/-, cash or deposit, cut-door bred; stamp particulars: Glover, Stanley-rd., Nunaton. (1882)

CANARIES, strong, healthy, 1914, outdoor bred cocks, from 4/6; hens 1/6; sex guaranteed: B. 39, Fant Lane, Maidstone. (1877)

SACRIFICE, Rollers, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, 10/- pair, nice pair Skylarks, in cage, 3/-: Ellis, 42, Eastover, Bridgwater. (1874)



Yorkshires & Norwich

Extra good, smart, lengthy Yorkshire cocks, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/-, 10/6, 12/6 each, on full song. Pairs matched to breed winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair. In Clears, Green Marked, and all cold-room kept, colour-fed and natural colour. Typical racy hens at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/6 each. Also good stock of large colby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and gaslight songsters. Exhibition Yorkshires and Norwich (cocks or hens), at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each, worth three times these prices offered at. Easy Payments: Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.—J. TAYLOR, 36, Aireville Rd., Frizinghall, Bradford.

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Finest and handsomest, extra early hatched, and caged off singly; pure bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Rollers, etc., 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6 up; cages, 3d.; or detailed list free; approval with pleasure: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

TEN Norwich cocks, 10 hens, 1 Border cock, 4 hens, cheap to clear, giving up; cocks 5/-, hens 3/-; typical birds: Dodd, Victoria, Southold. (1885)

TYPICAL Yorkshire cocks from 10/6; also some fine Norwich cocks from 10/6, hens from 6/6; colour-fed, cold-room bred; inspection invited any time: Shrimpton, 47, Liaks-rd., Tooting Junction. (1882)

GREEN Crested cock, 7/6; Green Crested hen, 7/6; variegated C.B. hen, 7/6; 4 show cages, 1/- each; case for 2 cages, 1/6; few Border Fancy hens, 2/- each; well bred, young: McDonald, 25, St. Peter-st., Dundee. (1883)

THIRTY typical Yorkshire and Norwich for sale, bred from high-class stock; wanted large yellow Norwich cock and hen, Norwich and Yorkshire show cages and casks; approval: Blackburn, Dixon Cross, Banford, Rochdale. (1875)

FOR sale, beautiful yellow marked hen, winner C.W. where, cat, only wants seeing, a bargain, £1; splendid buff cock, grand match for above, won 2nd only time out, given away at £1; the pair 30/-; grand long, yellow cock, a big winner, 2nd Whithy last time out, £1; also 6 other cocks, from 7/6 each, all show birds, and 7 more beautiful hens, from 5/- each; several can win in good class; wanting room sole reason for going out of fancy: C3, Willington-rd., Bridlington. (1882)

HENS HENS HENS

Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, or mixed, three for 5/6; Rollers, three for 4/3; all these hens will soon be worth treble; cage, 3d.: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

A few fine cocks and hens, from our best winning strain, winner of 5,000 prizes this last 30 years at all leading shows. Cocks from 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-; any on approval. Breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

DARK Linnet Mule, winner Palace 1914, new show cage, 25/-, nearest offer: H., 24, Jenner-rd., Steko Newington. (1875)

CHEAP, 2 cock Siskin Mules, 3/6 each; on song: H. Langton, 5, Whitehead-st., Robin Hood Chase, Nottingham. (1878)

FOR sale, four Goldfinch Mules, £1 each; also two 10/- each; worth double: A. Moodie, Black Horse Inn, Creetown. (1850)

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SPECIAL variegated cock Linnet Mule, winner of several prizes, 15/6; genuine bargain: G. C. King, 14, Ashby-st., Norwich. (1875)

LARGE cage mounted Siberian hen Bullie, in nice condition, 10/-; approval, deposit: Waldoek, 18, Lakefield-rd., Wood Green. (1856)

LOVELY cock Goldfinch Mule, full song, 1914 bred, 6/6; also a few good Norwich: Bebbington, Corsty Bank, All Stretton, Salop. (1879)

YELLOW dark Goldfinch Mule, extra colour, 10/-; house-moulted Russian Goldfinch, in loud song, 7/6; approval: Lawson, Public Park, Biggar. (1874)

GENUINE Sisks, no rubbish; hens guaranteed have bred light Mules, 10/- each; cocks, yellows, 10/-; buff, 7/6; Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1876)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1852)

LARGE Siberian Bullfinch hen and cock Greenfinch, 12/6; cock Greenfinch and hen Hawfinch, 10/-; house-moulted: Williams, Pharmacy, Ashbourne. (1878)

REDPOLL-GREENFINCH Hybrid, 15/-; hen Siskin, breeder, 5/6; exchange for 1st class exhibition Britisher: Burrows, Chemical Works, Southall. (1879)

LARGE pink-eyed Sih. bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 7/6, 5/6; cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewshury. (1839)

EXHIBITORS: Redpoll, Linnet, and Redpoll-Siskin, 12/6 each; see report Crystal Palace and Penistone C.B.S.; see British: R. Gullies, 99, Ridsdale-rd., Anerley. (1875)

HYBRIDISERS, hen Bullfinches, 9d., 1/-; cocks, 1/3, 1/6; selected Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/6; tip-top specimen, ready for show, 5/-: G. Ferriss, 26, Lennox-rd., Lewton, Staffordshire. (1853)

BARGAIN, 2 lovely cock Canary Linnet Mules, pure Linnet note, and lovely Goldfinch-Canary Mule, songster, sacrifice 22/6 the lot: Hasler, 17a, Baddow-rd., Chelmsford, Essex. (1880)

FOR sale, cock Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 8/-, 9/-, 10/- each; also Goldfinch and hen Canary, winners this year, 14/- pair; also cock variegated Canary, 7/6; Coak, Maythorn, Kingsbridge, S. Devon. (1881)

EXHIBITORS, grand 1911 dark Linnet mule, ditto Siskin mule, Linnet-Greenfinch hybrid, make certain winners when colour-fed, 10/- each, or exchange exhibition Hardbills: Hobdack, 26, Grosvenor-aven., Warrington. (1879)

Two large colour-fed cocks, Greenfinch Mules, 7/6 each; ditto non-fed, 6/-; cock Linnet Mule, 6/-; cock Goldfinch Mule, 7/6; two hen Mules, 2/-; three hen Goldfinches, 3/-; approval: Peck, Aslman's Hall Gardens, Beccles. (1881)

LINNET, Goldfinch, Greenfinch and Siskin Canary Mules, cocks in full song, with pure wild notes, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; hen Mules, 1/6; grand lot of exhibition Mules, also selected muling birds; special list free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1886)

FOR sale, genuine cock Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid, big winner and splendid colour, £4; also rack and 20 cages, fitted complete, made from best pine with baywood fronts, 50/-; a bargain; approval with pleasure; size 17in. by 19in. by 9in.; part exchange woollen blankets or offers in 1914 purchases: Addison, 112, Balfour-st., Oldham. (1881)

"EASTERN STORMER," 1st Norwich, 1914 (13 in class), wonderfully fiery-red darkish-yellow Goldfinch Mule cock, large body, enormous blaze, beating all-England winning lightish Mules, £1 1s., worth £2 10/-: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (1860)

YELLOW hen (grand), breeder above mule, 10/-; cock Goldfinch (breeder), hatched, 7/6: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (1860)

Club Reports.

STAFFORD & EAST LONDON F.S.

Successful meeting, Headquarters, Nov. 11. Schedule for Annual passed and judges appointed. Good array of specials already offered, but Hon. Sec. glad to receive others.—H. Wasey, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER C.B.S.

Meeting and show, headquarters, Nov. 4, Mr. Yates chair. CAN., UNFLIG. (4): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Hardbatt. HEN (6): 1, 2, West; 3, vhc, Ashby; bc, Yates; c, Hardbatt. MULE OR HYB. (11): 1, vhc, Brooks; 2, c, Hester; 3, hc, Hardbatt. Members tendered a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Walton for judging.—J. Hardbatt, Sec.

EDINBURGH (Western) O.S.

Meeting, Riego Street Hall, Nov. 5. Mr. Balfour chair. A vote of thanks was accorded to retiring officials. All agreed that the show had been a great success. Agreed to try to procure the same hall for show next year. Secretary was asked to try to arrange lectures, etc., for club nights. The following office-bearers were elected: Pres., J. Andrew; vice-president, D. Burgess; committee, N. Grant, John Rodger, A. Spittal, J. Clark; sec. and treas., C. Grant, 54, Lyre Place, Edinburgh.

CLAPHAM C.B.A.

Meeting, Nov. 3. Sec. reported that the printer (Mr. Baldwin) had kindly reduced his bill by £1 0s. 6d. from his original estimate, and this, coupled with the generosity of Mr. Silverthorn in providing the admission tickets gratis, had enabled the secretary to show a profit of £1 0s. 8d. on the open show. He was warmly congratulated by the meeting on this result, as the members had quite realised themselves for a heavy loss, and Messrs. Baldwin and Silverthorn were accorded votes of thanks. Mr. Fairman was nominated for membership. Sec. reported that the three Canary cups were all won by Mr. Clark, and the two British by Mr. Francis and himself.—A. R. Coe.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, Nov. 9. Church Institute, Paddington-st., Mr. W. A. Shepherd chair and 30 members present. Correspondence was dealt with. Hon. Sec. announced the result of Yorkshire Judging Competition as follows: Mr. H. W. Walker, 25 points, 1st; Mr. J. P. Lloyd, 26, 2nd; Mr. A. Thomas, 24, 3rd. A Washing Competition then took place, Messrs. W. Sanders, W. Knight, J. P. Lloyd, E. Burch, A. Thomas and T. Kelly competing. Mr. Easterling acted as judge and awarded T. Kelly 1st, W. Sanders 2nd, and J. P. Lloyd 3rd. Several questions were put to Mr. Easterling, who washed a bird himself to illustrate his own method. A very hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mr. Easterling for his kind attendance and useful advice. Vote of thanks to Chairman closed the meeting.—Fred Thyme, Assist. Hon. Sec.

HULL C.B.S.

Meeting and lecture, Oddfellow's Hall, Nov. 2nd, Mr. F. S. Howe presiding. Prior to the meeting, Mr. Chapman, Curator at the Pickering Park, gave a very interesting and instructive lantern lecture on his Ornithological Rambles in the neighbourhood of Hull. He commenced with a slide showing a Sparrow's nest built inside the globe of a lamp in the Pearson Park. From there we visited the Jelly Woods, Cottingham, Spurn, and the famous cliffs at Bampton. Some excellent slides of Bampton were shown, showing the egg climbers at work, and the different kinds of bird-life to be found there. Mr. Chapman took very great care in pointing out every detail, and the principal characteristics of the birds that were shown upon the screen. A unanimous vote of thanks was passed to the lecturer, and at the meeting held later, Mr. Chapman was made an honorary member of the society. It was decided to make at the December Show, a presentation to our late secretary, Mr. Heselstine (who has joined the colours). On account of the open show having been cancelled, a two-days members' show will be held Dec. 11 and 12, Mr. Cowgill judge.—W. Funnandis, Sec. pro tem.

SHEFFIELD C.B.S.

Meeting, Nov. 5, Wentworth Cafe, Mr. F. Jones (president) chair, the business was mostly in connection with Annual Show, Nov. 28. Members are requested to note the change of show room, to Forcesters' Hall, Trippet Lane, members bring birds Friday night, not later than 9, or Saturday morning by 9. Members are requested to push the sale of tickets, as any surplus on the Show will be handed over to the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund; Show open from 1 to 9, a good number of birds have been promised for the gift class, but the committee are anxious to receive more. Councillor J. W. Crowther has kindly consented to open the show. Specials are in excess of anything given before; a list will be up for inspection at time of entry. Three ring specials in each section, most points with four highest birds, bred by exhibitor, ring numbers must be entered on entry form, and must correspond with Secretary's register, 43 12s. at least will be given in these specials, and members can show as many birds as they like, three with the seven cups should draw a record entry. Dec. meeting is election of officers and table show of young birds. Mr. Armatage was elected a member.—J. Woolhouse, Assist. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting, 6, The Broadway, Oct. 26. Mr. W. H. Stoukley presided over very good attendance, since a special attraction had been provided in the shape of a lecture by Mr. Allan Silver, F.Z.S., on "Birds of Character." Before the lecture some routine business was transacted, including the election of a member and the reading of a letter of resignation from another member, whose resignation was accepted. The election of a Federation delegate was referred to the committee, and then Mr. E. J. Whittome moved, in accordance with notice, that an open show be held, but after hearing the chairman's explanation of the committee's reasons for deciding to abandon the annual show, he withdrew his motion and the matter dropped. Mr. Silver's lecture proved most attractive and interesting. He said he should deal with some thirty representative birds on the British list, although no birds could perhaps be called purely British except the St. Kilda Wren and the Red Grouse, as all the others were more or less common to other parts of Europe also. He then gave most interesting descriptions of various British birds and was assisted in his work by splendid lantern pictures, the lantern being manipulated by the hon. sec., assisted by Mr. J. W. Heath. A vote of thanks by acclamation was accorded the lecturer, and similar compliments were paid to Alderman Simpson and Councillor King for the loan of lanterns.—G. Grimthuis, hon. sec.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting Nov. 13, Mr. M. Smith chair. The special business was arranging of members' show, Nov. 28. Mr. Smith was nominated to represent the society in the Fife League in place of Chas. Marshall, who has left the district.—R. Muir, sec.

CRAIGHEAD WORKMENS' CLUB F.F. AND C.B.S.

Meeting Club Rooms, Mr. J. H. Elliott chair, and a good turnout of fanciers; business was got through in good style. Annual show will be held Dec. 19 and 20, 54 classes. Judge for cage birds J. Kiseborough, Sunderland.—A.H. Dawson, sec.

ABERSYCHAN C.B.S.

Meeting Nov. 14. On the report of delegate from Welsh National, in Cardiff, unanimously decided that we support the Welsh National; we also picked one to represent us on Saturday next. We had the pleasure of making a good fancier a member and had two good specials given by Mr. Hillman and Mr. Monte, of Abertillery.—F. Sweeting.

LEIGH C.B.S.

Successful washing competition, headquarters, Railway Hotel, Nov. 11. Several members took part, and all with the enthusiasm that showed they were trying what they were out for, winning 1st if possible. Washing started at 7.30, and the birds were judged at 10, by Messrs. A. Cunn and J. Hamer, whose awards gave every satisfaction. 1, Ordish; 2, Taylor; 3, Wilkinson. Don't forget to fill your entry forms full for Nov. 25. Entries close finally at 9.—R. Charleson, Sec.

NORTHERN BRIT. MULE & F.B.C.

Meeting Nov. 17, Mr. Patterson presided. Decided to have a Mule class at table show, the same not bound to have been bred by a member, either old or young bird. Decided to hold a table show at next meeting, Nov. 28: Linnets, Bullfinch, Goldf., Greenf., or Chaffinch, A.O.V., Mule, For. The shows where our patronage has been granted are Newcastle, Gateshead, and Sunderland. Table show, Mr. Almond judged: LINNET: 1, J. Maddison; 2, Petterson. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Hooper. FOR.: 1, 2, Vout; 3, Petterson. Vets of thanks to Mr. Almond brought a pleasant meeting to a close. Members please note place of meeting in next "Cage Birds"—W. Curry, sec.

LANCS. AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Volunteer Inn, George Street, Heywood, Nov. 14, Mr. Hampshire, chair. On the question of place for our club show, Mr. Adams, Rochdale, kindly gave us an invitation to hold the show in connection with the affiliated societies of Rochdale and District. After discussion, it was decided we have it at Oldham, time and judge to be settled at next meeting. It is to be hoped that members will try to send more liberally to our club show, as in the last two seasons it has not been worthy of the name. Negotiations are in progress for two more shows to be added to our list for trophies, same to be arranged next meeting. Members owing subs, kindly let me have same as early as possible. Next meeting, Volunteer Inn, Oldham, Dec. 6; time will be given later. We are having it on a Sunday to give members a chance to be present, who are unable to attend on Saturdays.—J. Rukin, Hon. Sec.

SACRISTON P.P.K. AND C.B.S.

Meeting Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, with a view to get the society put on a sound footing. The following have joined the society within the society's radius of 5 miles: Messrs. Wm. Wright, senr., James Rodgers, Wm. Dodd, Wm. Wright, junr., Johnson Kell, A. Sutherland, Dr. T. W. Wilson, J. W. Thurkettle, Jos. Jacobs, J. Campbell, T. Liddle, E. Hunter, Fred Ives, James Wm. King, Dr. Wm. Hall, Jos. Greig, J. Maddison, J. Liddle, T. Dawson, Wm. Tindal, R. Blake, R. Dunston, Geo. Greaves, J. C. Stennett, Geo. Cockfield, T. Nicholson, M. Archer, Wm. Mason, H. Hind, Wm. Adams, R. Wilfred, H. Foster, J. Stanegren, R. Scorer, Wm. Thompson, J. Asten, G. Hardwicke, R. Oswald, T. Andrew, J. J. Swan, the Rev. Samuel Frost, and Mrs. J. Walton. Any other fanciers within five miles desiring to become members kindly send their names along to the sec. as below, when he will be pleased to propose the same for membership, annual subscription 2/6. We have fixed a members' show for Jan. 2, the cage bird judge was left over till next meeting, Nov. 28, as above para d. at 5.30. Annual open show is fixed for Nov. 13, 1915. Secs. of other societies, please, don't clash date with our first annual show.—Wm. Dodd, hon. sec., Mavins Buildings, Finden Hill, Sacriston, Co. Durham.

WELSH NATIONAL C.B.S.

Proposed National Show for Wales. A very successful meeting was held at the Law Courts Hotel, Cardiff, Nov. 7, Mr. W. Sampson, late sec. of Cardiff C.B.S., with whom a Welsh National Show has been a dream for many years, was elected chairman, and no one is more delighted than he that a move has at last been made. Among those present were Messrs. John and Owen (Llanelli), Cleaves and Couch (Abersychan), Mortimer and Hillman (Abertillery), Longden (Swansea), Chisholm (Bargod), Maggs (Port Talbot), Powell (Tredgar), Ray, C. B. Jollitt, E. Tams, C. Wells, W. J. Phelps, T. Gardner, S. Wiseman, and J. Pearce, of Cardiff. Mr. Sampson expressed the pleasure it gave him at seeing so many fanciers present, and hoped the proposed Welsh National would be a great success. He believed that if all societies would take the matter up in the proper spirit we should overcome all difficulties. Mr. E. T. Banks very ably placed before fanciers some of the objects of a Welsh National Show, and also how he proposed the show should be managed. He strongly advised that the society should be carried on democratic lines, and with equal representation all round. This seemed to find favour with nearly all the delegates present.

After a free discussion it was unanimously decided to form a Welsh National Society, and the following were elected pro tem: chair, Mr. E. T. Banks; vice, Mr. John Llanelli; treas., Mr. W. Sampson, Cardiff; sec., Mr. E. Thomas, Cardiff; committee, Messrs. Mortimer, Abertillery; Couch, Abersychan; Powell, Tredgar; Owen, Llanelli; Chisholm, Bargod; G. T. Jones, Brecon (Welsh Cage Bird Club). Mr. Longden, Swansea, represents fanciers not affiliated to any society. Subs. to be 4/1 6s. per annum for purely Cage Bird Societies, 10s. 6d. for the Cage Bird section of a Mixed Society, and 5s. for fanciers not members of any Society. Next meeting will be held in Cardiff, Dec. 5, to frame rules, etc., and to decide upon date of first show. Further notices will be given in CAGE BIRDS.

Now then you fanciers of Wales and Mon., it is up to you to make this show worthy of Wales and its many national institutions. I am waiting to receive names of societies who are prepared to join, and also the names of all those fanciers who do not belong to any Cage Bird Society. There is no reason why a show should not be held this season; but this depends entirely upon the support given to the society between now and the next meeting.—E. Thomas, Sec., 48, Craddock st., Cardiff.

NEWCASTLE (East End) C.B.S.

Special meeting, Nov. 11, Leighton Schools, Heaton Road. Mr. Hutchinson chair and a good attendance; five new members were elected, Messrs. J. Hands, Peel, Watson, Baker and Cosser. The meeting had been called to make final arrangements for show, but the military having taken possession of our hall the meeting decided it be left to the chairman and sec. to make the best arrangements possible. Our chairman got to work the next day and we have been able to book the Assembly Rooms, Byker Bridge End, Shields Road, West, for our show, Nov. 27 and 28. Any members who have sold tickets please note and make known to buyers the alteration of hall. Committee meeting at my house, Nov. 25, to allot specials; any member having received promise of same should let me know by that date.—J. W. Coutts, sec.

BURNLEY O.S.

We are holding our annual members' show Nov. 28, at Star Inn, Church Street, and are providing good classes and a few good specials to fight for. Any member can enter of the following: Cocks, cl., tkd., var., yel., do. buff; hens, cl., tkd., var., yel., do. buff; muffed cocks, yel., do., buff, A.V. Yorks. cks., ditto hens; A.O.V. Canary, Mules, Hybrids, gift, £1 selling, 12s. 6d. selling, 7s. 6d. selling, British A.V. Mr. Edwards gives 10s. 6d. spl. for best in gift class, and teapot for best shown by novice who has never won a 1st prize in open competition, society's cup and spl. for best bird in show. Mr. Jude Hayhurst judges. We hope that members will find him plenty to do. All birds to be entered before 9 o'clock Friday night, and be staged by 1.30 day of show. Usual meeting on Friday night Nov. 27 instead of Wed.—T. Chadwick, Sec.

GATESHEAD C.B.S.

Meetings Oct. 27 and Nov. 11, Mr. Alf. Holden presided over both. Re the cancelling of our annual open show, two days, holding a one-day open show in place of same, it was decided to pay the following prize-money on 10 or more entries: 10/- 1st, 5/- 2nd, 2/6 3rd; entrance fee 1/6, and 1/3 for members; show date fixed for Dec. 13. Sec. was instructed to look for a hall to hold same. I have been successful in fixing up with the owners of the Rochester Street Sunday School Hall, which is well lighted and can be heated if the weather is cold; hot-water pipes right round. This hall is only a hundred yards off the Drill Hall, where our annual "Palace of the North" has been held for years. Decided to have the following classes: Nor. 8, Crests 8, Yorks. 7, Bord. 8, S.H. 3, A.O.V. 1, Mules 3, Scotch Fancy 2, Brit. 9, For. 4; judges, G. Dobson, T. B. Tomlinson, J. Johnson, J. Bertram; Norwich judge to be decided. Decided to charge 6d. for entrance to show, and get catalogues printed without award; show to close at 7. Members please note special meeting Nov. 25.—W. Curry, sec.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.

A very interesting and instructive lecture was given by Mr. R. Halliday, Oct. 5, at the Pleece Hotel, Stanningley. There was a good attendance of members and friends. The subject was "Hints to novice Canary fanciers." He first of all dealt with the bird room, saying that it must be well lighted and perfectly free from draughts, and went on to speak about the cages. He preferred the double cage, as it was more handy in the breeding season for running the young birds through into one compartment, and letting the old birds feed them through the partition. In feeding the stock he advised the novice to always get the best seed possible, as it was the best in the long run; also to keep the stock, cages, and utensils strictly clean. He advocates canary seed as the staple food and the following mixed seed two or three times per week: Red rape, teazle, hemp, niger, gold of pleasure, and linseed, maw seed he prefers to put in the egg food, as, being a small seed, it gets to the bottom if mixed with the other seeds. Egg food he prepares in the following manner: he soaks a slice of home-made bread, a few days old, in water for a few minutes, puts into a basin and breaks up with a fork, then puts the boiled egg through a piece of perforated zinc into the basin, adds a pinch of salt, and mixes the whole together with the fork until it is thoroughly mixed. In selecting the birds he said the first thing to do was to decide which variety to keep, then get to know the makings of an ideal bird of that particular variety, and do your best to maintain your ideal. He talked at great length on both Yorkshires and Norwich, in all their varieties; Greens, Green marked, Cinnamon, Cinnamon marks, and dears, treating also on double buffing and double yellowing. As time was getting late he invited questions, these he disposed of in a very able manner. A vote of thanks to the lecturer for coming to instruct us concluded a most enjoyable evening.—H. Ratrick, Sec.

FOREIGN BIRD EXHIBITORS' LEAGUE.

The League's diploma will be awarded for the following birds exhibited for the first time in the United Kingdom at a show under the auspices of the F.B.E.L. The Secretary would esteem it a favour if those interested can inform him of any previous occurrence of these species on the show bench (before 1913), which information should be supported by verification. Anyone (members or otherwise) wishing for a registration and diploma certifying the occasion upon which they were the first exhibitors of any other particular Foreign Bird can obtain it from the League at a fee of 2/6. Exhibitors joining the League by paying their subscription (3/6) before Nov. 22, 1914, are eligible to compete for the season's diplomas and some 20 to 30 cash special prizes at the forthcoming Club Show at the Horticultural Hall. Members who have not already paid donations or subscriptions to the League for this season should do so if they wish their points counted for special prizes.—A. Silver, Hon. Sec.

Black-chinned Yuhinas, Black-throated Wren Babbler, Black-crested Bulbul, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, Blue-headed Rock Thrush, Mrs. Warren Vernon, Pigny Woodpecker, Mr. S. M. Townsend, Red-tailed Minia, Small Minivet, Red-flanked Bush Robin, Large Niltava, Firecaps (pair), Blue-fronted Redstart, Lutino Blossom-head Parakeet, Gays or Chilian Finch, Black or Greater Amethyst Sunbird, Lesser Double-collared Sunbird, Yellow-backed Red Sunbird, Black-breasted Yellow-rumped Sunbird, Mr. Alfred Ezra, Levaillants Parrot, Rev. G. H. Raynor, Ruddy Waxbills (L. rubricata), Mr. John Frostick, Jamieson's Waxbills, Douglas Quails, Mr. W. J. C. Frost, Sikhim Siskins, Mr. J. C. W. Meadows, Rose-breasted Grosbeak (hen), Black Seefinch, Miss J. A. E. Smyth, White-throated Serin, Mahali Weaver, Mr. S. Williams, Chestnut and Black Weaver, Miss J. A. E. Smyth and Mr. G. Fletcher, Yucatan Jay, Brown-eared Bulbul, Major Boyd Forbrugh, Blood-stained Rosefinch, Mr. C. T. Maxwell, Mandarin Myiabe (pairs), Hon. Mrs. McLaren, Morion and Mr. A. Silver (ditto 2 cocks), Mr. C. Rorlich, Redhead-Ribbon-Finch Hybrid, Miss A. B. Smyth, Greenfinch-Blood-stained Finch, Mr. L. M. Wade, Parson-Long-tailed Grassfinch, Mr. E. S. Q. de Quincy.

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City of Birmingham C.B.S.

Open Show, Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 2 and 3. 47 Classes (as last year). 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, for 1/6 entry. Judges: J. Robson, Esq., and J. H. Roe, Esq. Schedules posted this week-end. Entries close Saturday, Nov. 23. Half-gate to National Relief Fund.—J. H. Jones, 211, Park Road, Aston, Birmingham. (1876)

KINGSTOWN

South Co. Dublin, 3rd Annual Show will be held in Town Hall,

Wednesday and Thursday, December 9th and 10th, 1914.

(under the patronage of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland). Judges: Canaries, Mr. J. Wilcock; British, Mr. G. Wilson. Entries close Saturday, December 5, 1914.—D. Smyth, Hon. Sec., 14, Tivoli Terrace, North Kingstown.

CARDIFF SALE & Dist. C.B.S.

50-mile Radius Show, held in the Glamorgan Buildings, Frederick Street, on Saturday, November 23. Judge, J. Robson, Esq. 30 Open Classes, 10 Novice Classes. Apply for schedules to E. Thomas, 43, Craddock Street, Cardiff. Entries close Nov. 25.

Keep your Eye on PAISLEY

Finest one-day show in Scotland is the Paisley and District O.A. Open Show for Scotch Fancies only, on November 23, in Tannahill Hall. Specials galore, including Novice Specials. Membership fee reduced to 2/-, which allows exhibitors to compete for all specials. Entries close on morning of show. Schedule from: N. O'Donnell, 21, Well Street, Paisley.

MUSSELBURGH O.S.

The Third Annual Open Show will be held on Sat., Dec. 5, in the Town Hall. Judges: Norwich, T. Morrison, Burnbank; Border, W. B. Smart, Loanhead; British, etc., J. Livingston, Bathgate. Entries close Nov. 31, last post.—A. Hoyle, Sec., 18, Shorthope Street, Musselburgh. (1873)

SWANSEA

and Dist. Fanciers' Society wants your entry for their Open Show on

THURS., DEC. 10th, 1914.

50 Classes. Judge: J. H. Payne, Esq., Gloucester. Proceeds to be given to Red Cross Funds. Schedule:

E. DENDLE, 38, Trafalgar Ter., Swansea

HUDDERSFIELD O.S.

Annual Show of Canaries will be held in St. Peter's Street Assembly Rooms, on Saturday, Dec. 12, under the Y.U. of C.B.S. rules, and the patronage of the C.M.Y.C.C., Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., and the N.G.M.Y.C.C. Judge, J. Robson, Esq. Schedules from A. Lawford, Sec., 14, Poplar-st., Birkby, Huddersfield. (1885)

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CLYDEBANK AND C.B.S.

Annual Members' Show will be held in lesser Town Hall, Clydebank, on Sat., Nov. 23. Judges: Mr. McLean, Alexandria, and Mr. McWatt, Bonnybridge. Admission 4d.—Wm. Kane, Sec., 52, Second Avenue, Clydebank. (1885)

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Seventh Annual Members' Show, Nov. 20 and 21, at Spencer Hall, Dartmouth, Park Hill, N.W. Judge, J. Robson, Esq. Admission, 3d. Fanciers please note. (1883)

Glasgow (West End) C.B.S. still going strong. Fifth Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British, and Foreign Birds, in Co-op. Hall, St. George's Cross, on Saturday, Nov. 21. Doors open 1 to 6 p.m. Admission, 6d.—Wm. Proudfoot, Sec. and Treas., 145, Henderson St., Glasgow.

Whitburn Show, Town Hall, Dec. 5. Judges: Geo. Marlin, Hamilton, Norwich and British; Jas. Smillie, Riccarton, Borders. 44 Open Classes. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6; entry 1/6.—Robert Lambie, Sec., The Aviaries, Whitburn, Linlithgowshire.

Glasgow, Queen's Park and Dis. C.B.S. Annual Show on December 5, in Victoria Hall, 476, Victoria Road, Crosshill. 50 Confined Classes, 4 Norwich, and 9 Yorkshires Open Classes. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Schedules now ready.—Robt. Haggie, 27, McLellan Street, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1876)

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C. WILSON, 11, Prizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.
W. YOUNG, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

The following judges have been appointed for Hamilton open show on Dec. 12, in aid of the War Relief Funds:—Nor., D. Harper (New Stevenson); Scotch, W. Park (Ferneigair); Bord., T. Ritchie (Lesmahagow), and W. Clark (Irvine); British, W. Clark (Larkhall) and R. Davidson (Mossend). Patronage of Border Fancys Club has been granted with three medals. Keeping the object of the show in view, and the entry money (three-pence) a huge number of birds should be seen.—W. S. Wilson, hon. sec.

The strenuous times through which we are passing will assuredly cause the season of peace and goodwill to be especially welcomed, and few will this year fail to send to their friends the cherished Christmas Greeting Card hallowed by time and custom. Without it, it is confidently hoped, trespassing upon the sale of the regular Christmas Card, an appropriate National Christmas Card conveying the Season's Greeting, and giving expression to the Patriotic sentiments which animate all classes, has been specially produced for the benefit of the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund, by Messrs. Raphael (Tuck and Sons, Ltd., whose name, connected with Christmas Cards, is a Household word throughout the Empire. The entire Profits on the Sale of this National Christmas Card will be paid into the National Relief Fund. The card is charmingly artistic, and at the price of Sixpence the value is more than exceptional. There can be little doubt that both collectors and the fortunate recipients will prize this National Christmas Card (every copy is impressed with a Special Stamp) as a treasured memento of the most historic Christmas of our time. Bird-lovers wanting a choice card should ask at their stationers for the "National Christmas Card."

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Twitterings.

Mr. J. Nicholson, Maryport, will judge at Cockermonth Show Nov. 28. Will Mr. Thomas Gregory send his full address to A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon St., Leicester.

The show of the Forres C.B.S., arranged for December 5, has been postponed, writes Mr. K. MacLean.

Mr. J. Kilshaw (Bolton) asks us to state that he has undertaken the sale of Mr. V. Scott's Roller Canaries (see advt.) as Mr. Scott is fighting at the front.

The secretary of Sheffield O.S. would like members to return all unsold tickets of the late show held for the Local Relief Fund, as he is anxious to hand the money over to the Lord Mayor.

Warrington C.B.S. 19th annual show will be held in the Cairo St. Schools, Dec. 11 and 12. The judges are Messrs. J. C. Barnes, G. Large, and J. D. Leigh. (See advert. this week's issue.)

Mr. J. Jackson, hon. sec. Cockermonth F.S., writes that the heading of class 30 in the schedule of the forthcoming show of the society should read "Any other variety, Insectivorous."

A slight error has occurred in our schedule, writes Mr. J. Alderslade, sec. Eastleigh C.B.S.; it should read "Judge, C. E. Silk," not C. W. Silk. Entries will be extended till Sunday morning's post.

Mr. W. Hopwood having resigned secretaryship of the Denton C.B.S., Mr. W. Redfern of 14, Apsley Road, Denton, has been elected as sec. All club correspondence should be addressed accordingly.

Will exhibitors generally kindly note that Alwick show is cancelled, likewise those who have applied for schedules to the secretary of the show being accidentally left in our "Show Dates Fixed" column.

The members of the Clay Cross C.B.S., writes Mr. J. Griffiths, the sec., were sorry to hear that Mr. W. Bunce (one of our members) was very ill, and it is hoped that he will have an easy and speedy recovery. Our review last week of the schedule of the L.C.B.A. combined show was made from rough proofs which gave Messrs. Mason, Davies and Tyson as the judges of the open, selling and stock classes. From the revised schedule to hand we gather that Messrs. R. L. Crisp and A. W. Curtis judge these classes. There is only one class for Cinnamon, not two classes, as stated in the review.

Those of our readers who desire a copy of Spratt's Calendar for 1915 should send two penny stamps to cover cost of packing and postage, to:—Almanac Dept., Spratt's Patent Ltd., 24-25, Fenchurch Street, London, E.C. The Calendar is to hang up, and consists of 12 beautiful full-page illustrations in colours, reproduced from the old Masters and Modern Painters, while on it is printed much useful information. Every Dog, Poultry or Cage-bird owner should certainly possess a copy.

Berwick's Solendid Help. As a result of the Berwick and Dis. C.C. annual show, Oct. 31, the sec., Mr. A. Hay, has been able, after having paid all accounts, to hand over to the local secretaries of the War and Belgian Relief Funds, the sum of £10 10s.

True Patriotism. I have three dear boys of my own with the Colours, writes Mr. W. Rudd, the noted bird-specialist, of Norwich. Two were with me, and one, my baby, was only an apprentice to a firm in this city. But as an old volunteer, I could not say "No," especially as I would go myself if not long beyond the age limit, for I believe I could still knock half the young ones out either at marching or shooting.

Railway "Accident" at Coventry. The Committee of the Coventry Ornithological Society regret that Mr. R. D. Partlett's birds arrived too late for judging, writes Mr. A. Green, the Hon. Sec., although they were on show. They proved a great attraction, the sensational Canary-Bullie "White Rose" coming in for the greater part of attention. We trust that if the railway company are to blame he will be successful in pressing his claim.

Farnworth and Dis. C.B.S. will hold its annual members' show Nov. 21, at Bird in Hand Hotel, Market Street, Farnworth, near Bolton, writes Mr. W. Dawson, sec. Part of proceeds will be given to Relief Fund.

The City of Belfast O.S. decided at their monthly meeting, writes Mr. J. Ronaldson, the hon. sec., to revert to their original date for holding their annual show, viz., the second Saturday in November; will secretaries please take notice.

Mr. A. Weston, sec. of the Edinburgh O.S., writes asking all the old members to endeavour to bring forward new members for this, the oldest society in Edinburgh. The society meets on Saturday, Dec. 5, in Buchanan's Hotel, High St., when new members will be enrolled.

Liverpool's 1915 Show. Will secretaries and societies kindly note we are holding our 1915 open show on Oct. 22 and 23, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Green, secs. Liverpool O.S.

Topsy Turveydor. At Brede Place, Sussex, there was recently a Wood Pigeon's nest containing young a few days old, and at Hershams, Surrey, there is a Thrush's nest with three eggs.

Prize Money Paid. We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Any who may have been overlooked should apply to the respective secretaries: Leicester Hand-in-Hand, Bournemouth, Reading, Coventry.

Woodpigeon's September Clutch. On Sept. 16 I found a Woodpigeon's nest containing two eggs, on which the bird was sitting. I have heard of young birds in the middle of September, but never of eggs.—V. Matthews, Berkeley, Glos.

Avian War Refugees. —Resulting from the movement of troops on the Continent, the firing and general disturbance, we shall no doubt find in these isles many uncommon species of birds. A number of Buzzards have already been seen high up over the City of York, and in their wake came colonies of Jackdaws and Rooks, apparently frightened from the seat of warfare.

An important and interesting announcement will appear in our next issue in connection with our scheme to provide convalescent homes and war hospitals with singing Canaries.

Good Old Whitburn. Whitburn Show is down for Dec. 5, and is hoping to have a record entry in view of the excellent management of previous years, and the promptitude with which the prize-money has been paid (within three days). The sec., Mr. Lambie, sends us a number of letters from exhibitors, all well satisfied with the treatment which they and their birds received last year.

Two Nesting Records. In the September number of "British Birds" a correspondent records that he found a nest of the Lesser Whitethroat on May 2 with five eggs, all of which hatched out on May 17. Three out of five eggs found in a Blackcap's nest on May 9 hatched out on May 16. The date of hatching of the Lesser Whitethroats would fix the laying of the first egg as on April 28, and the first egg of the Blackcap would have been laid on April 27. Both cases would appear to be records, for neither of these spring migrants are expected here until very nearly the end of April.

Why are the Males Pretty? Dr. J. C. Mottram maintains that the male bird "becomes brilliant in colour, in order that he may be more likely to be destroyed, and thus the dull-coloured female gain protection." We believe a difficulty would be that the more effective the males were in getting killed, the more the conspicuousness would tend to be eradicated from the race. The author of the theory ingeniously suggests that the pairing would occur before death, so that the male would hand on the valuable quality of conspicuousness through the unaffected female line to his male descendants.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

- England.
Nov. 20-21.—Halifax O.S.—(H. Clegg, 15, Melrose St., Lee Mount, Halifax.) W.M., W.V.
Nov. 21.—Bradford Nat. C.B.S.—(S. Midgley, 10, Victoria St., Clayton, Bradford.)
Nov. 26, 27, 28.—London C.B.A. (Jas. Bray, Jun., 67, St. Dunstan's Rd., Hammersmith.) J.R., E.J.R., A.C., R.L.C., F.E., J.R., A.S., G.P., A.J.M.
Nov. 27-28.—Sale C.B.S.—(H. Whitney, 10, Brook St., A.H., E.B.
Dec. 2-3.—City of Birmingham C.B.S.—(J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.) J.R.
Dec. 3.—Abersychan C.B.S.—(F. Sweeting, 22, Caradoc St., Pentwyn, Abersychan.) H.W.B.
Dec. 11-12.—Warrington C.B.S.—(G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Rd.)
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Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) H.W.B., J.M.
Jan. 21-22.—Wolverhampton C.B.S.—(W. Harrison, 45, Darlington St.) J.R.
Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 63, Brunswick Rd.)
Scotland.
Nov. 20-21.—Glasgow C.B.A.—(W. Hutchison, 167, Hospital Street.)
Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. L. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)
Wales.
Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser St., Maesycod, Pontypridd.)
Jan. 12.—Llanelli C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.
Ireland.
Dec. 9-10.—Dublin S. County C.B.A.—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

In the Courts.

A Lively Affair Near Torquay.

At Torquay Police Court on Nov. 9, before Messrs. J. Taylor (in the chair), and F. J. Crocker, a septuagenarian named John Bellamy pleaded not guilty to using a net to catch birds at Isle on the 27th ult. P.C. Friendship told a remarkable story. He said that at 4.30 p.m. he was in Elsen's Lane, when he heard a bird, similar to a Goldfinch, calling. He got over the hedge into an allotment field, where he saw the defendant and a young man, named Witten. There was a net laid, and there was a bird in a cage close by, and close to it was a quantity of bird seed and thistles, a fir tree, and other things used for the decoy of Goldfinches. Defendant told witness that he had no right on his land, and coloured him by the shoulder. Witness told him that he would lock him up for assault if he laid hands on him again. Defendant had hold of the net, and became very violent. He fell to the ground while clinging to it, and witness only got possession of the net after a twenty minutes' struggle. Then defendant got hold of witness's time, refused to let go, and tried to get witness underneath him. Witness told him that he would have to trounce him if he did not stop, and as he would not let go, his hold witness took out his staff and struck defendant lightly across one of his hands. "The plot of ground is a yard square," added the constable, "and defendant keeps it solely for catching birds. He has everything there for enticing them." Defendant: Does the law empower you to trespass on my ground?—Witness: Yes, it does, to detect an offence. Didn't you trip me up?—No. Didn't you push me when I objected to your going on to my ground?—No. Does the law empower you to forcibly and brutally take my net from me?—Yes it does; how could I prove my case if I had not the net. Are you empowered to use your staff?—Yes, when you are so violent. Ah, you cur, I never put a hand on you! Defendant, on oath, said the constable pushed him away and some raspberry canes were broken. Defendant told him that he was neither going to have the bird nor the net, and the constable put out his arm and defendant fell into a ditch, where he was kept 10 or 15 minutes. Defendant had hold of the net, and told the constable that he would not let go of it. The constable then pulled out his staff and struck him on his hand five or six times; the hand was beaten almost to a pulp. The constable said to him, "If you won't let go the net I'll break your — skull." "I'm 70 years old," observed defendant to the magistrates, "and twice as old as him, and my hand was bleeding, and he had his knees on my stomach." After consulting with his colleague, the Chairman informed the defendant that he was convicted and fined £1, including costs; in default, he would have 14 days' imprisonment. On the application of Inspector Wood, the net was confiscated and destroyed. —"Torquay News."

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Mid-Rhondda F. and F.S.—Judge's Hall, Trellaw (Glam.), open to S. Wales and Monmouthshire. Judge, C. Watson, 5 cl. Yorks, Nor., Bord., Brit., For. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 26, to C. Dinham, 52, George St., Penygraig, Rhondda.
City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Dec. 2, 3; Judge, J. Robson, J. H. Roe; 47 cl. Nor. 12 (Nov. 4), Yorks. 12 (Nov. 4), Crests 2, Cinn. 2, Bord. 2, A.O.V. 2, Sell. 2, Hyb. 3, Brit. 8, For. 2. Ent. close Nov. 28, to J. H. Jones, 211, Park Rd., Aston, Birmingham.
Cockermonth (Cumberland).—Nov. 28, Drill Hall; Judge, J. Nicholson; 32 cl. Bord. 3, Yorks 7, A.O.V. 2, Mule 1, Sell. 3, Brit. 8, For. 2. Prizes 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Nov. 23, to J. Jackson, 14, Crown Street.
Cardiff (Glam.).—Nov. 28, Glamorgan Buildings, Frederick Street; Judge, J. Robson (50 miles rail radius), 39 cl. Yorks 11 (5 Nov.), Nor. 11 (5 Nov.), Bord. 8, Miles 3, Sell. 3, Brit. 7, For. 1. Ent. close Nov. 23, to E. Thomas, 48, Craddock Street.

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A Final Appeal to the Fancy Live Humming Birds May be Seen.

LAST week we pointed out the very excellent reasons for every exhibitor supporting the Horticultural Hall Show this year. Now we very much regret to learn at the time of going to press that the entry is poor—averaging only 4 birds to each class!—and we hope bird-lovers will alter this state of affairs in no uncertain manner during this week-end.

Entries finally close first post Monday next, November 23rd. (See advertisement on page 247.) If application is made at once there is still time to obtain a schedule—a review of which, by the way, appeared in our last issue. Or if too late, describe your birds to the show manager, enclose the necessary entry fees (2s. per bird) and he will enter them for you.

Now, fanciers, rally round; remember that all profits go to a most deserving object—the funds of the British Red Cross Society.

Items from the Show Manager.

The show manager, Mr. J. Tyson, asks us to give publicity to the following items:—

Three entries were received on Monday morning, for classes 38 and 39, bearing no name and address; postal orders bear the Ntfield stamp.

The following letter reached me first post Tuesday morning, and it is hoped such a noble example will be followed by others, and thus show that the people who cruelly (?) keep birds in cages have still a soft place in their hearts for their suffering fellow men.

442, Caledonian Road;

London, N.

Dear Sir,—I am sure there are a large number of London and other fanciers who would like to supplement the profits of the joint show to be held at the Royal Horticultural Hall, by donations in aid of the British Red Cross Fund

We should be wanting in our duty as Englishmen towards those who are so ably fighting the Great Battle for the British Empire if we neglected doing our best

towards helping to see they have all the medical assistance so urgently needed when ill and wounded.

I trust those who are organising the great Amalgamated Show will be supported in such a manner that you will be able to hand over a substantial amount towards the objects of the British Red Cross. I shall be pleased to subscribe £10 10s., half as treasurer of the L.C.B.A., and half as treasurer of the N.B.B. and M.C.

I am, yours faithfully,

T. R. TROWER.

Birds for Sale by Tender.

Some birds are entered for competition, but will be sold by tender to the highest bidder, and the proceeds are to go to the British Red Cross Fund. Other exhibitors have notified me that should they win any prizes I may add them towards the fund for that worthy object.

I truly hope that the encouraging remarks of many fanciers (too numerous to acknowledge, but which I shall cherish) on my acceptance of this onerous duty of managing the show, and their good wishes for the success of the undertaking, will be backed up by practical support. I will do all in my power, with the co-operation of good and hard-working fanciers, to merit their continued confidence. I would, however, respectfully suggest that as the chief aim of this exhibition is charity, and that I am serving, or trying to serve, the combination of the three societies, that exhibitors will refrain from making requests for free passes for friends, because they have made 8 or 10 entries. Whatever my personal feelings may be, I regret to say that it is quite impossible to send these.

For years the L.C.B.A. show has brought out fresh exhibition specimens, and this year should be no exception. Of course, we know the uncertainty of life, but there is every prospect that there will be on view live Humming Birds. Owing to their delicacy and the conditions under which they are kept, they will only be at the exhibition on Thursday till 8 p.m., and again on Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. They will not be in the exhibition at all on Saturday. Birds of Paradise and many other rare and exquisite foreign birds will be at the show from the opening till 7 p.m. on Saturday, as well as beautiful Canaries and British birds and their Hybrids, with White Blackbirds, White Linnets, and other abnormally-coloured specimens.

her for her public spirit in helping this most interesting section with six entries.

The Cinnamon Lark, belonging to Mr. Barker, a local specimen, caught at Wallasey, was very interesting. My favourite (the Hawfinch) was represented by a few extra good specimens, perfect in plumage. I can appreciate a well moulted Hawfinch, knowing by experience the difficulty there is in getting him into this enviable condition.

The Hybrids and Mules were splendid. I wondered what would become of most of these beauties when they ended their show careers? What fine specimens they would make for our museum collection. It was difficult to get near this section on Saturday afternoon. The crowd was great around that big-headed "mystery" (Canary Bullfinch?) Mule, which stood cardless, but was the most wonderful bird of the whole collection. How curious everyone was to look at it.

I often think what a pity it is such interesting exhibitions should not be brought more to the notice of the general public. There was a great crowd of fanciers present, but the average public, among whom are many interested in birds, would be delighted to see such an exhibition if they could be got at. Many friends I have once taken to a show never miss the opportunity again, if they can help it. In my Monday evening lectures on birds this month at the museum, I hope to make the avicultural side a prominent feature, showing how interesting and instructive a collection of living birds can be, also dealing with the history of aviculture, including the 13th Earl of Derby's collection that formed the nucleus of our museum collections.

J. W. CUTMORE.

Liverpool Museum.

The Future of the Plumstead and Woolwich C.B.S.

SIR,—I read a few weeks ago in "Twitterings" a paragraph from Mr. Botell that said all meetings were cancelled. I find that the members of the committee and other members were quite surprised at such a course being taken, seeing that a good many members were not employed in the Arsenal.

We feel that our show for Nov. 14 should have been carried through. I think an explanation should be forthcoming from Mr. Botell, as no committee meeting was called to cancel any club business. It will mean the last of the P. and W.C.B.S. if we do not pull things together. As we are affiliated to the London Cage Bird Federation I think this body should see that show fixtures are carried out. It would help the Fancy, and prove the Federation of some value to us. I trust the secretary will oblige in your next issue.

GEO. H. MACLELLAN.

Will the Border Fancy Outstrip the Norwich?

SIR,—As an ardent fancier of the Norwich Canary myself, and deeply interested in its welfare, yet I, like Mr. Plank, must take exception to Mr. Cobb's remark about the Border Fancy. It is too much of the sledge-hammer type of argument to talk disparagingly of a variety that is not to one's liking, and quite outside the province of legitimate criticism. It is certainly the "Bantam of the Canary race," and this very feature evidently appeals to its admirers, but for quality, symmetry of form and everything that spells perfection it stands peerless and alone. The way it has acquired popular favour is indeed remarkable, which is diametrically opposed to Mr. Cobb's reasoning.

Many long years ago, when I and a few kindred spirits were doing much to popularise the variety, our zeal and enthusiasm being boundless, a certain All-England judge wrote me and said "The Border Canary can never become popular." On what he based his deductions was never divulged, but my excellent friend will have lived to see the error of his prognostication. It is one of those varieties whose exquisite charm is a characteristic development within itself; not one of its many features can be said to be of a "foreign graft." Its grace and sweetness are all its own. Therefore I think it beyond reproach, and public condemnation to be out of place.

JOSEPH VICKERS.

Wigton.

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A Soldier-Fancier at Malta.

Interesting Details of Native Bird-Catchers and an "All-Hemp-Seed Diet."

By BANDSMAN T. WARD.

THINKING perhaps some of my fellow members of the L. and P.O.S., as well as the London and Counties and North London C.B.A.'s might like to hear from one of their members now serving with the colours, I thought I could not do better than write to them through the columns of our favourite paper CAGE BIRDS. I am serving with the Band of the 4th City of London Royal Fusiliers at Malta and during my stay here I have made a few notes with regard to the birds seen on the island.

I have already made friends with one or two native catchers and from them have learned something of their methods of catching and keeping birds. In the first place, their ideas are not at all in keeping with our own ideas. Their cages are very crude, as is also their method of feeding, for all the birds I have seen so far are fed entirely on hemp, and my only wonder is, this place being so warm, that the birds live at all. I have seen Linnets, Chaffinches, Larks, Canaries and Siskins all feeding on hemp, only, and I must say they are looking well on it. I have never seen green-food in the cages, and do not think this is ever given. The Larks had the hemp slightly crushed.

Who Taught the Natives?

I have seen the natives out with the nets. I must say I carried my thoughts back to England, for their methods are exactly the same as at home, with brace bird and call birds. I am inclined to think this is due to the instruction given them by some of our soldiers while stationed here. The birds mostly caught, up to the present, have been Greenfinches and Linnets. The latter come over here in great numbers, and fetch very little, being sometimes sold as low as two for a penny. They arrive here in fine fettle, being as round as a tub, so the journey does not seem to wear them down, as one might think.

I have one of these fresh caught Linnets at present in my tent, and I can assure you that when I told my chums that he had flown from England he became a great pet with all, and would betide anyone who speaks ill of "Sambo," this being his regi-

mental name. Of course, he is on war rations, having to put up with whatever wild seed I can gather, added to his hemp, this being the only seed I can buy. So, like me, he has to rough it, but he seems quite contented with his lot. Amongst the other birds which had been caught was a fine Sparrow Hawk, and a Glossy Starling, also a fine bird, which would want some whacking on the show bench.

I have done a little good already for the birds, for I have persuaded the natives to use wider perches, those already in use being far too narrow, also advised them how to feed better. So you see, I am still interested in our pets. I am becoming quite a lecturer, too, having given several detailed accounts to my comrades of Canary breeding and the difficulties of breeding a winner. I must say that although not one of them is a fancier I get a very appreciative audience, and I am looking forward to some of them becoming bird breeders when we get home again.

The Present Season.

I suppose this war will have a depressing effect on our shows this year, but I hope it will not deter the various local societies from running their autumn shows, and thus trying to keep up the enthusiasm which the Fancy merits. I only wish I were with you all to help swell the number of competitors. I hope my fellow-members have had a good season, and that some top-pers have been turned out. I suppose our Crystal Palace Show will be off, as I hear the building has been taken over by the Government. (The Show will still be held, though not at the Palace.—Editor.)

I am looking forward to my CAGE BIRDS coming out to me, as one of our members has kindly promised to send it each week, and you can rest assured it will not leave me until it has been well read. I had a pleasant surprise in one of my letters from the wife; it contained a postcard from a Mr. Richardson, of Tasmania, who paid me a visit while in England. He bought some of my Yorkshires and wrote saying that he had arrived at Cape Town with the birds all safe. I hope by now he has arrived home at Tasmania without any losses.

I am afraid I must bring this to a close now, as the bugler has just sounded the "Cookhouse" call, and only those interested in it (I am very much so) can appreciate that call properly. (Our readers, we are sure, will much appreciate Mr. Ward's letter and hope to hear from him again.—Editor.)

Correspondence.

A Fifteen-year-old City Siskin.

SIR,—As a lover of that attractive but rather scarce little Finch, the Siskin, I thought it might interest your readers to know that Mr. Linstead, of 89-90, Cheapside, has a cock Siskin which has been in his possession for fifteen years. The bird, which has always been fed on Hyde's Finch mixture, is in fairly good plumage, and although it has partially lost the use of its wings and feet, it still bravely utters its little song. I have heard cases of the Goldfinch reaching an age of from fifteen to twenty years, but considering the uncongenial atmosphere of the City of London, this must surely be a record of longevity.

J. McNAUGHTON.

A Weasel Clears out an Aviary.

SIR,—In opening my aviary this morning I found that all my birds had been killed during the night by a weasel, which had entered by burrowing under the wire-netting. The birds I was most sorry to lose were a Pea-throated cock Goldie, which had bred me some good Mules this season, all cocks, and a hen Bullfinch I was going to pair with him, hoping for a Hybrid. This last summer she built a nest and laid eggs in it and sat on them the full time. I also lost two hen Canaries (both bred Mules) and another cock Goldie and hen Linnet, all useful birds to me, as my hobby is to breed a Hybrid. I cannot replace them for the coming season at any rate, unless some of your readers can help me to make a fresh start.

G. IRELAND.

Competition in "Any Other Variety" Classes.

SIR,—I have been requested to call attention to the fact that considerable dissatisfaction exists with regard to the "A.O.V. and Hybrid class" at Northampton show. Several valuable Hybrids were entered at the last show, but the chief awards were given to Crests. One might have expected, under the circumstances, that at least the second prize would have been given to one of the Hybrids. The Committee must not be surprised if next year Hybrid exhibitors leave the class severely alone, and allow the Crests to have it all their own way. I should like to ask them the question which naturally arises: "Is it fair to allow Crests to compete in this class?"

J. C. WILMOT.

An Interesting Chat on Birds at Liverpool Show.

SIR,—The British, Foreign, and Hybrid section at Liverpool's great show last week proved a wonderful attraction—the best lot ever seen in this city. Some of the species particularly attracted my attention. The Nut-hatch, a British resident, but seldom seen North, was especially interesting. It appeared very happy in its cork-bark lined cage, taking no notice of visitors, but carried its food to a crevice in the bark and hammered away at it with its strong straight beak, as it would in its natural haunts. The Bearded Tit is another interesting resident, but a rarity seldom seen; its only home now in this country is perhaps the Norfolk Broads. This bird was also in fine plumage, and very active, jumping from twig to twig, carefully avoiding the straight, formal perches. The White-throat (greater), a common summer visitor to this country, did not appear quite so lively as the above but was, like them, in good condition and attractive (a pity these were not labelled). The two species of Redstart, the Common and the Black, were two very interesting birds, bobbing their "danger signals" (red tails) up and down.

The Bohemian Waxwing sat stolid and erect as a sentinel on war duty, and was in perfect plumage, not a feather displaced in his uniform, his "button," waxen feather tips on his wings perfect. The two Choughs with their plumage of bright steel blue, did not hide their light under a bushel. They were not only seen, but heard, by everyone in the show. Both were worth a first prize. The exhibitor of a Chough is a true fancier and deserves all he gets, and more. He is one of the pillars of the show system, helping to make the show a success without thinking of the trouble and expense of sending such a big bird about the country. This type of exhibitor, including those who send Softbills and delicate Foreigners, deserve the thanks not only of the show committee, but of every visitor to the show.

The Foreign class was well represented by a beautiful Black-headed Gouldian Finch and a Paradise Whydah. How the tail of this bird is so well preserved in a cage is a mystery to me? The Ribbon, Zebra Finches, Javas, and Orange Bishop, did great credit to Miss Powell. Visitors were indebted to

CORRESPONDENCE.

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Rare Birds at the Horticultural Hall Show.

Sir,—Unless accidents occur, visitors will have the pleasure of viewing unique specimens of Humming Birds, while Birds of Paradise have been promised, and it is possible that Blue Wrens may be entered. We have heard also of Bullock's Hangnests, Violacons Hangnests, Purple headed Glossy Starlings, a rare Green Glossy Starling, and several new and interesting Hybrids. At present only a guess can be given as to numbers, but it is pretty evident that quality will be superb, and foreign cage birds well represented. Several rare Flycatchers, Sunbirds, and Finches are also likely to be shown. The feeding of this section will be under direct supervision of the Hon. Mrs. Bourke, Mrs. Thynne, Mr. Wynn, and Mrs. Dewhurst, and other members of the League will keep an eye on the welfare of the birds during the exhibition.

ALLEN SILVER.

Hon. Sec. F.R.E.L.

The Bib of the Exhibition Siskin.

Sir,—Allow me to thank Mr. Prior for his very interesting and able letter. Mr. Prior says my assertion that yellow Siskins do not carry a well-defined bib in October is too sweeping. I can only submit to the Fancy that on the evidence I have procured from disinterested persons, also from what I have learned from the greatest teacher in the world, namely, practical experience, I can come to no other conclusion, and cannot conscientiously modify my assertion. I fully recognise the responsibility of the position I have taken up—none better than I do myself. If the intelligence of the whole Fancy ever brings into being a central governing body (may it soon arrive) to save us from our individual chaos, I believe that either by evidence or practical test I would secure the verdict from that body and the vindication of the position I have taken up upon this matter.

WILLIAM FAIRHURST.

How the L. and P.O.S. and Clapham Shows affect Novice Exhibitors.

Sir,—I beg to enclose you a copy of a letter received by this society (The London Federation of Cage Bird Societies) and should be obliged if you would insert our reply to same in your next issue.

J. C. BIRCH, Hon. Sec.

[Copy of Letter and Reply.]
12, Arthur Road,

Holloway, N.

Dear Sir,—Seeing a notice that the Council meet on Friday, I have a question I should like them to answer re shows this season. What I want to know is, will shows like Clapham and the L.P.O.S. count as open ones for novices? These shows are limited to London, and there were only members' classes given; last year they gave open classes as well as members'. The question will affect several other exhibitors in novice classes. Shall be obliged if you will answer through CAGE BIRDS.

H. NEIGHBOUR.

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Willesden, N.W.

Nov. 16, 1914.

Sir,—In reply to the query addressed to the London Federation of C.B.S. asking if the L. and P.O.S. and Clapham Societies' shows would count as open shows for novice classes, this meeting is of opinion that the shows were open, and that novice classes will count accordingly, the only restriction in connection with them being that exhibitors were required to deliver and collect their exhibits.

J. C. BIRCH, Hon. Sec.

Suggestions for Tiding Over Hard Times.

Sir,—Let me appeal to all societies to hold their meetings as usual. It is bad enough postponing the shows, but they ought to hold their meetings. They have a grand opportunity of justifying their existence. It is not only our brave comrades who have gone to the front whose stocks want looking after; there are unfortunately plenty of fanciers with good stocks, who, owing to the war, are out of employment, or working half time. These men want a helping hand to keep their stocks, as it is as much as they can do to live. I think it is time societies took the matter up and bought on the co-operative system. A sub-committee could be appointed to deal with this matter; also a benevolent fund could be formed. I am aware that this is a delicate question to handle, but it could be easily arranged. I am sure a parcel of seed would help many a good fancier to keep his stock going until things brighten up again. I am afraid if fanciers are forced to

sell out, their interest will be gone. Fellow-fanciers, attend your meetings; you have a grand opportunity of showing the faddist that we keep birds for the love of the hobby. I would also ask the seed merchants not to overdo it in raising the price of seed, as I have met several fanciers who declare they will give up if seed continues to go up in price. Fanciers, remember the old adage: A little help is worth a deal of sympathy.

CYMRU.

An Offer to Secretaries in Durham and Northumberland.

Sir,—I was interested to see Mr. W. E. Plank's spirited defence of the Border Fancy, although I am afraid little progress will be made by contrasting its merits with such as the Norwich and Yorkshire possess. Nevertheless, the future of the sprightly little Border is assured. Last Saturday I visited the show of the Newcastle-on-Tyne C.B.S. held this year under rather adverse conditions) and was struck with the fine show of yellow and buff Borders. I would like to see some of the smaller clubs in the district cater more for the Border Fancy, and if a small offer is of any use I shall be pleased to award two prizes of framed pictures, one to the first Northumberland secretary and one to the first Durham secretary, whose letters reach me informing me that they have a show next month with a Novice Border Fancy Class; my two prizes to be given to such classes.

A. S. REEVE.

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Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The Shows.

COVENTRY.

35th Annual Open show, Nov. 14, headquarters, Sydenham Palace, Lower Ford Street. The room is an ideal one for a cage bird show, and we should have liked to see a better entry in view of the proceeds being given to the Prince of Wales' Fund. The birds were well looked after. Judging was over and cards up in good time. Unfortunately Mr. Parlett's team of Mules and British did not arrive till 1.30, too late for competition. The Society has in Mr. Green a very obliging sec., and with the assistance of the hard-working committee things were carried out in apple-pie order. Messrs. G. Peters (President), T. Gilbert, T. Judd (Vice-Presidents), J. Corral (Treasurer), G. Turrell, H. Mann (auditors), H. Butler, W. Rowley, G. Lawrence, H. Spann, A. J. Barratt, W. Davies, W. Slaymaker, all worked hard for the general good. Mr. J. Robson judged and gave general satisfaction.

NOR. CL. YELL. (6): 1, Bond, nice size, sound col., good head and neck, neat wings; 2, he, Whetstone, grand col., good head, trifle longer; 3, Judd, nice type, qual., and wing carr., trifle smaller; vhc. Day; c. Westwood. BUFF (7): 1, Hathaway, ideal Nor., lovely type, short thick set bird, good head and neck, neat wings and tail, full of col., wings well; 2, Whetstone, large, grand col. and qual., good head, trifle longer; 3, Dipple, good type and qual., falls in col. to winners; vhc. Corral; he, Garfield; c. Parker. TKD. YELL. (7): 1, Hathaway, tkd. head, very neat, good type and qual., well carried wings; 2, Elliott, heavily varieg., good col. and type; 3, Fox, lightly varieg., grand type, lovely col. and qual., nicely carried wings, minus a few tail feathers or might have been higher; vhc. Wright; he, Edwards; c. Rowley. BUFF (6): 1, Whetstone, cap mkd., lovely col. and qual., nice head and neck; 2, Hathaway, large bird, mkd. wings and tail, good type, col. and qual.; 3, vhc. Bond, nice type, good qual., neat wings; he, c. Spann. HEN (14): 1, Dipple, buff, good type and col., nice qual., looked a bit soft when we saw it; 2, Fox, cl. yell., nice type, grand col. and qual., neat wings, very pretty, soon claimed at £3 10s.; 3, Leach and Gough, cl. buff, lovely type, nice qual. and col., good head and neck, neat wings; vhc. Garfield; he, Wood; c. Dickinson. UNFLIG. YELL. (10): 1, splendid col. and qual., nice neat wing carr.; 2, Dipple, nice type, good qual., crosses wings at times; 3, vhc. Judd, beautiful col. and qual., trifle smaller; he, Gilbert; c. Shirley. BUFF (11): 1, Wright, grand body, lovely qual. and col., neat wings, short tail, a right sort; 2, Hulse, good size and col., neat wings, nice round head; 3, vhc. Judd, splendid qual. and col., neat type, falls in head to winners; he, Philpot; c. Bowers. HEN (12): 1, Foxon, cl. yell., nice even col., good qual. and cond.; 2, Hulse, buff, dark tail, rich col., good qual., nice neat wings, well shown; 3, Leach and Gough, larger, good type, but not quite the qual. of winners; vhc. Elliott; he, Corral; c. Bridgewater. NAT. COL. (7): 1, Hathaway, large cl. buff, excellent type, nice head and neck, neat wings; 2, Judd, cl. buff, excellent qual., lovely col. for natural, neat wings, Leicester winner; 3, Philpot, cl. lovely qual., neat wings, very compact. NOR. CK. 30s. (23): 1, H. W. Thompson; 2, Judd; 3, Elliott. UNFLIG. 30s. (11): 1, Foxon; 2, Dickinson; 3, Thompson. HEN. 30s. (12): 1, Foxon; 2, Dipple; 3, Parker. CREST (5): 1, A. J. Smith, noted clear body D.C., in grand form, looking as well as when he won CAGE BIRDS championship at the Crystal Palace; 2, Edwards, heavily varieg., lovely droop, nice neat centre; 3, vhc. he, Peters, wing mkd. D.C., good large crest, but hardly so neat. C.B. (4): 1, Edwards, nearly gr., wonderful head, well lashed; 2, Smith, looks like a hen, and a topper too, very dense; 3, Peters, heavily varieg., grand head, nice shiny feather; vhc. Green. CREST or C.B. 194 (5): 1, 2, Smith, large gr., a topper, lovely droop, nice neat centre, beautiful veiny feather; 2nd, heavily varieg., good front, not at all best; 3, vhc. Peters, varieg. C.B., good entrance, nice feather; he, Edwards. CINN. (3): 1, 3, Spann, both buff's, good col., well mkd.; 3, Parker, Jacquie, fair size, nice feather. YORKS. CK. (9): 1, Dykes, cl. yell., grand col., neat head and neck, very stylish; 2, W. F. King, cl. buff, hardly the length, very neat, good wings and tail; 3, Weeks and Gibbons, nice head and neck, neat back, good col. and cond.; vhc. Harding; he, Cowley; c. Sneed. HEN (7): 1, Dykes, cl. buff, nice pos., tight as waxy, neat head, neck and shoulders; 2, Hart, cl. yell., neat wings and tail; 3, Harding, cl. yell., good col. and pos., hardly the length; vhc. King; he,

Green; c. Spann. UNFLIG. (8): 1, Dykes, good length, nice pos., well filled in neck, good head, nice col.; 2, Sheppard, buff, shorter, but grand col. and qual.; 3, Cowley, good qual., nice length, falls col. A.O.V. (3): 1, 2, 3, Gilbert; 1st and 2nd, splendid Cinnamon Crests, well shown; 3rd, even mkd. buff Nor., good type, col. and qual.; vhc. he, Philpot; c. Arundel. MULE or HYB. LIGHT (6): 1, vhc. c. Gilbert, tkd. wing, grand col., Goldf. and Can., like boxwood, lovely blaze; 2, he, Lawrence, wing mkd. Linnet-Can., good size and cond.; 3, Hart, Green-Can., cheek mkd., grand col. and cond. DARR (7): 1, vhc. Rees, Linnet-Can., lovely col. and qual., good size, nicely laced; 2, Lawrence, large Greenf. Can., good col. and cond.; 3, Ford, Redpoll-Can., good size, nicely mkd.; he, Hepwood. HYB. (4): 1, 2, 3, Gilbert, Buff-Greenf., Challinckh-Bramble, and Goldf. Buff., in order named, very taking exhibits. GOLDF. or BULLF. (7): 1, 2, no name, two lovely Goldfinches, nice square-cut blaze, excellent tannings, good col. and size; 3, Burrows, Buff., good cap, very steady; vhc. Raby; he, Baseley. GREENF. or LINNET (12): 1, he, Dalton, Linnet, grand col., well laced, nice qual. and cond.; 2, Lawrence, Greenf., good size, full of col., nice cond.; 2, Pitchford, Linnet, falls col. to winner, very steady; vhc. c. Ford. SISKIN, Etc. (5): 1, Raby, Siskin, rich col., nicely mkd., good cap and bib; 2, Rees, Redpoll, good col., nice bib; 3, Hart, Twite, good col., nicely laced; vhc. Ford. A.O. SEED-EATING (7): 1, Lawrence, Corn Bunting, very steady; 2, Gilbert, Yellow Bunting, good col., well mkd.; 3, Hepwood, Hawfinch, nice feather, good bib, A1 condition; vhc. he, Dalton. INSECTIV. (3): 1, Burrows, lovely Redstart, grand col., good size, in the pink; 2, Bent, Nightingale, nice size and cond., very steady; 3, Bull, Redstart. FOR. (2 classes, only 1 exhibit): Cox, Pekin Robin. SELLING, 2ls. pairs: 1, Johnson; 2, Packer; 3, Cox. 12s. cl. SINGLE: 1, Cooper; 2, Bell; 3, Dickenson. GIFT: 1, Gilbert; 2, Peters; 3, Bell.

LEITH.

Fifty-fifth annual show, Nov. 14, Church Hall, Junction Road. The hall is a good one, lofty well lighted, and free from draughts, and all available space was taken up with a splendid entry. Cups, specials, etc., were laid out for inspection, and the display was very imposing. Exhibits were of high-class merit. Some grand Scotch, Norwich, Borders and British being on view we thought the last section the finest of all. Visitors swarmed in during the afternoon, and the remark was often made that Leith executive might well run an open show, having such support from patrons and the visiting public; they might run a show second to none, perhaps equal to the Scottish National. The society is fortunate in having as leaders Messrs. James Lumsden, pres. and show manager, John Allan, vice-pres., and Geo. Brown, sec., everything passed off smoothly and with clockwork regularity under their charge. Judges were: Scotch Fancy, Messrs. J. Carson, Dalkeith, and J. McLean, Edinburgh; Nor., J. Hoims, Edinburgh; Borders, T. Arnott, Kirkecubbin; and J. Patterson, Chirnside; Brit. and Mules, P. McQuiston, Ayr, and the awards met with general satisfaction.

SCOTCH FANCY, CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Hope, grand size, decided drive, fine shoulders; 2, Allan, more leather, fine shoulder, slower; 3, Paterson, fine length, shade, tanner; 4, Dalgleish; vhc. Paterson. BUFF (8): 1, he, West, grand subs., shoulder and drive; 2, vhc. Allan, close up, handies drive, handies well, should hold her own; 2, Paterson, shade plain beside such a charmer; 3, Dalgleish, similar; 4, West; vhc. Allan; c. Black. YELL. PIED (3): 1, 2, sp., Dalgleish, lovely ladies, splendid size, drive and action, hard to separate, if anything, our choice was the latter; 3, sp., Allan, nearly gr., fine shoulder and drive. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Paterson, grand shoulder, decided drive, fine size, 3, grand size, falls in length of drive; 2, Allan, close up, quite as good in subs.; 4, Dalgleish; he, Rodger; c. Hope. GR. (1): Rodger. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (8): 1, cup, sp., he, Hope, real cliner, splendid subs., size, pos., shoulder and drive, handies well, should hold her own; 2, Paterson, shade plain beside such a charmer; 3, Dalgleish, similar; 4, West; vhc. Allan; c. Black. YELL. PIED (3): 1, 2, sp., Dalgleish, lovely ladies, splendid size, drive and action, hard to separate, if anything, our choice was the latter; 3, sp., Allan, nearly gr., fine shoulder and drive. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Paterson, grand shoulder, decided drive, fine size, 3, grand size, falls in length of drive; 2, Allan, close up, quite as good in subs.; 4, Dalgleish; he, Rodger; c. Hope. GR. (1): Rodger. CL. OR TKD. CK. (15): 1, 4, sps., he, Moffat, leader in the pink, splendid head, fine front, typical; 2, Buglass, fine shape, feather and quak.; 3, sp., Finnie, good col., fine shape, frayed in tail; vhc. Black; c. Walls. BUFF (18): 1, 2, sp., Finnie, good ones, fine col. and qual., very typical, former larger; 3, A. Moffat, fine col. and qual., falls frontal; 4, sp., A. Moffat; vhc. Forrest; he, West; c. D. Moffat. VAR. YELL. (4): 1, Moffat, sound col., fine head and front; 2, 3, Buglass, leader three point, fine col. and qual., unsteady, 3, small but nice, col.; 4, D. Forrest. BUFF (8): 1, he, A. Moffat, grand size, fine subs., well modelled throughout; 2, D. Moffat, shade thin in front, fine col.; 3, c. Walls, fine type and col., smaller; 4, Weir; vhc. Finnie. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, sp., A. Moffat, grand size, pure col., fine qual.; 2, Buglass, fine stamp, falls col., good pos.; 3, 4, Finnie, tkd., good one, not finished; vhc. West; he, Forrest. BUFF (13): Good class, 1, sp., Anderson, unfed, fine head, good type; 2, 4, A. Moffat, must have pressed, splendid col., subs. and qual.; 3, no name, fine col. and qual., bit faulty in wing car.; vhc. he, Finnie; c. Mainland. VAR. YELL. (6): 1, A. Moffat, rare head, fine front, col. and qual.; 2, Walls, again good col., qual. and type; 3, 4, Finnie, heavy-marked, fine col. throughout; vhc. Black; he, Brown. BUFF (14): 1, 2, sp., vhc. c. A. Moffat, leader nearly gr., fine col., type and pos., 2, tkd. wings, grand head, fine bold front; 3, Buglass, mkd. eyes, etc., fine col. and type; 4, Walls; he, Finnie. GR. OR CINN. CK. (11): 1, 2, Watson, good ones, fine col., type and qual.; 3, vhc. he, Blais, falls front, good qual.; 4, A. Moffat; c. Milne. CREST (2): 1, 2, sp., Walls, fine size and subs., leader better centred. C.B. (5): 1, sp., Smith, nearly gr., splendid lashing and entrance, good size; 2, 4, Stephenson, cl., falls entrance and expansion; 3, Walls, var., fine size, falls head. C.B. HEN (6): 1, 2, Smith, gr., fine frontal and brow; 2, var., falls size and head feather; 3, Walters, very similar. BOKD. CL. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Dods, fine col., rare qual., good wing and tail; 2, sp., 4, vhc. Rodger, eye up, fine col., good type and pos.; 3, he, Brown, finely drawn, good head, fine back; c. Duncan. BUFF (10): 1, cup, B.E.C.C. medal, and sps., Dods, little beauty, finely braided wings, well filled back, lovely col., qual. and cond.; 2, Rodger, shade longer drawn, fine pos. and type; 3, sp., Little, fine type, good back and wings; 4, vhc. he, Brown; c. Duncan. YELL. HEN (7): 3, sp., Dods, fine model, sound col., qual. and type; 2, he, Rodger, fine head and back, falls frontal to winner; 3, Brown, shade thicker, fine qual.; 4, Muir; vhc. sp., Little; he,

Rodger; c. Stephenson. BUFF (13): 1, Dods, fine model, grand back, wing, and tail car.; 2, Duncan, grand type and pos., falls qual. only; 3, Rodger, stylish hen, fine head, good movement; 4, Stephenson; vhc. c. Brown; he, Drysdale. YELL. TKD. (8): 1, 2, Rodger, fine col. and qual., former best in head; 3, Muir, fine head, bit faulty, wing car.; 4, vhc. West; he, D. Brown. BUFF (7): 1, Dods, tkd. cheek, lovely col. and qual.; 2, 3, Brown, tkd. head, grand type, falls qual.; 3, tick wing, fine model, but same fault; 4, Rodger; vhc. Brown; he, c. Muir. YELLOW MARKED (7): 1, Dods, lightly mkd. hen, splendid type shade run in col.; 2, 3, Rodger, better col., falls cond., fine type; 4, sp. Rodger, var.; vhc. c. Lumsden; he, Brown. BUFF (13): 1, 4, sp., Drysdale, fine type and markings, might be better put down; 2, sp., he, sp., Rodger, grand hen, mkd. head and wings, stylish and jaunty; 3, West, grand qual., a little heavy mkd.; vhc. Lumsden; c. Little. YELL. GR. CK. (17): 1, 2, Dods, leader best type, fine pencilling, col. and qual., 2 falls in thigh markings; 3, Lumsden, grand type, line ground col. and thigh markings; 4, Duncan; vhc. Brown; he, c. Walls. BUFF (10): 1, 2, vhc. Dods, 1 grand type, fine col., and markings, shade unsteady, 2 better ground col., falls cond.; 3, no name, fine type and markings, light in tail; 4, he, c. Lumsden; vhc. Dods. GR. HEN (18): 1, 4, Dods, 1 good buff, fine type, col., pencilling, and qual.; 2, Brown, line yell., good col., fine pencilling; 3, Drysdale, buff, good type, fine pencilling, falls cond.; vhc. Lumsden; he, c. Duncan. CINN. CK. (13): 1, Dods, lovely col., fine markings, grand qual.; 2, 3, vhc. Buglass, grand one, scarcely ready; 3 buff, fine quak, faulty wings; 4, he, Weir; c. West. HEN (8): 1, 3, sp., 4, vhc. sp., Buglass, leader buff, fine type, good head, line col., 3 yell., line col., type, and qual.; 2, Dods, yell., fine hen, close up, fine head, back, and wing; he, Duncan; c. Allan. GIFT: 1, Paterson; 2, Wells; 3, West; 4, Watson; vhc. Lumsden; he, Moffat; c. Finnie. GOLDF. OR BULLF., FOR. (6): 1, 3, 4, Ferguson, leader fine size, nice face, good buttons, and col., steady; 3, Bullie, grand size, line head, nice cap and col.; 2, Watson, shade smaller than winner, equally good in other points; vhc. Finnie; he, Blair. GOLDF., BRIT. (6): 1, Watson, fine Finch, deep cut blaze, nice flushing, bare, and finish; 2, Brown, close up, falls cond.; 3, Finnie, a wee smaller, good face, col., and cond.; 4, Allan; vhc. he, Watson. LINNET (17): 1, Allan, good size, line col. and pencilling, fine whites, extra qual.; 2, Watson, close race, nice col., splendid qual.; 3, cp., 4, Anderson, fine size and pencilling, falls bloom; vhc. Finnie; he, Milne; c. Maitland. NON-FED. GREENF. (15): 1, sp., Watson, fine head, size, col., and qual., steady, wins; 2, 4, vhc. Allan, fine Finch, shade smaller; 3, Me ser, larger, but not so fine qual.; he, Finnie; c. Ferguson. FED (4): 1, Allan, grand head, fine col. and qual.; 2, Forrest, smaller, falls col. and cond.; 3, Brown, line shape, good head, hardly ready; 4, Sayers. SISKIN (4): 1, 3, Watson, leader fine col. and markings, good qual., 3 very similar; 2, Allan, shade smaller, fine cap; 4, Watson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (11): 1, Allan, Twite, fine size, splendid col. and qual.; 2, vhc. Milne, Mealy Redpoll, fine cap, good size, markings, and steady; 3, c. Watson, Twite, good one, but falls size; to winner; 4, Sayers; he, Mercer. LESSER REDPOLL (12): 1, Watson, fine little fellow, in the pink, well shown; 2, Galloway, nice one, but down in qual.; 3, 4, Sayers, shade smaller, fine cap; vhc. Stephenson; he, Croft; c. Mainland. BULLF. OR CHAFFINCH (16): 1, vhc. Allan, Chaffinch, good col., fine markings, steady and well shown; 2, Finnie, Bullf., fine cap, col., and qual.; 3, Allan, Chaffinch, fine col., a little unsteady; 4, Duncan; he, Mercer; c. Black. A.O. UNSTDY (10): 1, 2, vhc. he, c. Allan, leader Hawfinch, grand col., line bib, in the pink; 2, Bramble, good one, fine col. and markings; 3, sp. Watson, fine size, col. and qual.; 4, Galloway. BUNTING (8): 1, 2, Watson, leader Yellowhammer, fine size, nice head markings, 2 Coru Bunting, well up in col., steady and well shown; 3, Finnie, Hammer, fine col., falls markings; 4, Allan; vhc. he, Sayers; c. Maitland. SMALL SOFTBILL (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, no name, leader Redstart, splendid col., in the pink; 2, Wagtail, splendid size, good one for col. and qual.; 3, Redstart, shade smaller, 4 Blackcap. LARGE (10): 1, 2, 4, c. Watson, grand team, well put down; 3, vhc. Craft; he, Messer. SEED-EATING HEN (12): 1, Galloway, nice Bramble, fine col. and qual.; 2, he, Watson, Greenf., fine size; 3, Lumsden, Siskin, fine col. and markings; 4, Mainland, Twite; vhc. Brown. LIGHT MULE, ETC. (3): 1, sp., 4-pointed light, fine col., size, and qual.; 2, Black, fine col., steady; 3, A. Black, fine size and qual. DARR (10): 1, Finnie, yell. Greenf. Mule, fine col., well shown; 2, 3, he, Brown, both Linnet Mules, fine size and shape; 4, c. Watson, Siskin; vhc. Brown.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.

Members' Show, Granby Hotel, Oct. 17. Mr. L. C. Casey, Bradford, judged 49 birds. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Allatt; 2, Ambler; 3, Farrer. BUFF: 1, Hudson; 2, he, Blagbrough; 3, Rolfe; 4, Fowle; vhc. Allatt; c. Jowett. MKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Blagbrough. BUFF: 1, Hudson; 2, 3, Fowle; 4, Ambler. UNFLIG. CK.: 1, J. and F. Haggis; 2, he, Fowle; 3, Blagbrough; 4, Hoyle; vhc. Rolfe. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, J. and F. Haggis; 3, Fowle; 4, Farrer; vhc. Allatt. BUFF: 1, sp., Rolfe; 2, Fowle; 3, Myers; 4, Hoyle; vhc. Allatt. MKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Myers; 2, Hudson; 3, Blagbrough; 4, Allatt. BUFF: 1, Hoyle; 2, Allatt; 3, Myers; 4, Fowle; vhc. J. and F. Haggis; he, Hudson.—W. Jagger, Sec.

Members' show, Granby Hotel, Nov. 7th. Mr. H. Smith, of Queensbury, judged 52 birds, and gave every satisfaction. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Myers; 2, J. and F. Haggis; 3, Ambler; 4, Blagbrough. BUFF: 1, Ambler; 2, Skeeton; 3, Blagbrough; 4, Pevee. GR. MKD. CK.: 1, 4, Fowle; 2, 3, Hudson. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, Hoyle; 2, Ambler. STOCK BIRD: 1, Ambler; 2, Myers; 3, Hoyle; 4, J. and F. Haggis. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, J. and F. Haggis; 2, 4, Williams; 3, Hudson. BUFF: 1, Rolfe; 2, Hudson; 3, Myers; 4, J. and F. Haggis. GR. MKD. HEN: 1, Allatt; 2, Blagbrough. CINN. MKD. HEN: 1, Myers; 2, Williams; 3, Hudson; 4, Hoyle.—W. Jagger, Sec.

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Fourth annual open show, Nov. 13-14, and we are very pleased to chronicle a very successful show. In past years the society has not been very fortunate in obtaining the support of exhibitors, and the reason is very difficult to find. They have a grand hall, one of the best in the North of England, provide a very liberal classification, and pay good prize-money, which is paid out to all exhibitors attending the show; in fact, they have done everything in their power in the interests of exhibitors and we hope now the tide has turned in their favour they will continue on to greater things, and become one of the largest and best shows in the North, as they deserve to be. The show was held in the Clob Hall, a really grand place for a show; grand size, any amount of both top and side light, and heated to a comfortable degree. Entries came up well, totalling about 200 over last year, and 150 above previous best. Quality throughout was of a very high standard, several crack exhibitors sending grand teams and each section contained birds of superlative merit. A regrettable incident was the absence of the fine team of Yorkshires entered by Mr. G. W. Cuthbertson, the birds not arriving until the afternoon, too late for judging. The society is grandly officered, the president, Mr. A. W. Monk, who opened the show, being one of the right sort, and a splendid supporter. The genial chairman, Mr. E. Richardson, works hard, while treas. Mr. G. Huggill, deserves a special word of thanks for the way he worked during the show. These gentlemen had a grand committee under them composed of Messrs. T. Orton, J. H. Elwell, W. Webb, G. Bradley, G. Charlton, A. Alderson, R. Ridley, R. Rowlandson and T. Kit-hing, who all gave of their best to make the show a success. In Mr. J. Ainsworth the society possesses a s.c. who thoroughly understands his work, and he carries out his duties with clock-like precision, while his kindly and courteous manner makes him very popular; he would undoubtedly have had more reason to be pleased at the success of his efforts but for the fact of Newcastle Show taking place on the Saturday, which probably meant the loss of a considerable number of entries. In the members' class 25 birds of all varieties competed for 25 specials, each bird obtaining a prize, and the class was judged by both judges. Special prize winners in Open: Most points Nor. Mays and Allison, 2nd Bailes and Thompson; most points Yorks. Naylor, 2nd Pyman; Bords. Watson; Brit. Nicholson and Son, 2nd Dr. Wilson. The judges were Mr. J. Stanger (Peltou Fell), Nor., Crests and Bords.; and Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland), Yorks., Brit., and Mules.

Mr. J. Stanger's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (16): 1, Stephenson, cl., grand size, levelly shape, short and thick-set, nice head, neck and chest, grand col. and qual., clean cut away; 2, J. Briggs, cl., grand shape, nice subs., good chest and back, neat wing carr., not quite so hot in col.; 3, Reynolds, wing fld., lovely col. and qual., bit longer in barrel, nice shape, neat head, good carr.; 4, No Nams, on smaller lines, nice col. and qual., neat head; vhc, Rutherford; he, Bailes and Thompson; c, Burdett. BUFF (15): 1, Fraser, fair shape, size and col., some thought lucky; 2, H. Briggs, tremendous size, rare head, neck and chest, good col., carries plenty of feather, but carries it well; 3, vhc, Mays and Allison, beauty for shape, short and cobby, rare size, nice head, neck and chest, grand feather, nice carr., we liked; 4, c, Robson and Marsh, grand size and shape, rare head and chest, not quite the col. of 2nd and 3rd; he, Pickles. UN-FLIG. (13): 1, Russell and Teasdale, cl. yell., nice size, lovely shape, short cobby body, nice head, neck and chest, grand col. and qual., clean cut away; 2, Potter, buff, rare subs., good shape, nice head and neck, short well carried lights and tail, good col. and qual.; 3, 4, Barnes, var. yell. leading, sweet shape, lovely qual., neat short wings and tail, not quite so bold in head, 4th cl. buff, nice size, grand shape, neat head, lovely col. and qual., gets wings over a bit; vhc, Bates; he, Potts; c, Mays and Allison. HEN (16): 1, vhc, Bailes and Thompson, cl. yell., nice size, grand shape, sweet head, nice chest and back, lovely col., feather like wax, nice wings and tail; 2, Brownson, cl. buff, good size, shapely and compact, neat head and chest, good col. and qual., nice carr., clean cut; 3, Mays and Allison, wing fld. yell., medium size, red hot col., grand qual., bit stimmer and not so bold in head; 4, Mason, nice size and shape, neat head, lovely feather; he, Appiby; c, Barnes. NOV. (5): 1, Mason, buff, nice shape and size, neat head, good col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; 2, Fifth, cl. yell., hot col., medium size, nice head, neck and chest, good carr.; 3, Clarksons, nice shape, plenty of size, neat head, loses bit in col.; 4, Reynolds, mkd. yell., not the subs. of leaders, rare col., nice head; vhc, Robson. CREST (15): 1, Rowell, var. D.C., grand crest for finish, nice droop and radiation, neat centre, good frontal; 2, c, Radley and Son, foul tail gr., neat crest, nice shape, good radiation and droop, nice centre, not so heavy in crest as leader; 3, vhc, J. Taylor, even mkd. D.C., magnificent crest, grand size and shape, radiating beautifully from a grand centre, a good one; 4, he, Richardson, foul tail gr., gem for crest properties, nice size, shape and droop, neat centre. C.B. (14): 1, 3, Radley and Son, cl., grand subs., wonderful skull, grand rise and width, rare lach, any amount of grand head feather, 3rd gr., good size, rare skull, good entrance and lash, not so well packed on top; 2, he, Bewick, plenty of wide of body subs., grand skull, but scarcely so wide in front as leader, carries a grand lot of feather; 4, c, J. Taylor, gr., rare size, nice broad skull, well lashed, good flow of feather; vhc, Alderson. CREST or C.B. (1914) (13): 1, c, Bewick, cl. body D.C., nice crest of good size, grand shape, lovely droop and radiation, grand centre and finish; 2, he, Radley and Son, var. C.B., rare size and subs., grand skull, wonderful rise and entrance, grandly lashed; 3, Richardson, foul tail gr., not so good in feather as leader, but very neat shaped crest, good droop and radiation, bit penny in centre; 4, vhc, J. Taylor, var., grand crest, densely packed, grand droop, well over beak end, not quite at its best yet. NOV. (10): 1, Radley, foul tail gr., nice crest, good size and shape, nice frontal, good centre and droop, well finished; 2, he, Simpson, mkd. C.B., rare subs., wonderful skull properties, grand rise and entrance, well lashed; 3, Tracey, var. D.C., neat shapely crest, not so dense as leader, nice centre and droop; 4, Appleyard, foul tail gr., very neat crest, grand centre, nice droop, not much between it and 3rd, vhc, c, Swinburn and Crawford. BORD. YELL. (9): 1, c, Bates, grizzle wing, lovely shape, sweet head, grandly rounded, lovely col. and qual., grand wings and tail; 2, 4, Watson, both four-pointed, 2nd grand shape, well moulded, neat head and back, nice col. and qual., well finished 4th nice shape, well rounded, good col. and qual., not quite the bloom; 3, Davison, yell. gr., sweet shape, well rounded body, neat head, lovely col.,

level all through, grandly carried wings and tail; vhc, Blakey; he, Pecl. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Watson, cl., magnificent shape, grandly rounded, sweet round head, lovely col. and qual., feathered like wax, well carried wings and tail, 3rd cl., grand shape, lovely feather, full of bloom, scarcely so well filled in on back, grand wings and tail; 2, Bates, cl., lovely shape, well balanced, sweet head and neck, lovely col. and qual., a gem all over; 4, Davison, grand shape, lovely col., level in tone, nice head, grand wing carr.; vhc, c, Bowes and Son; he, Pecl. SKEL. 20s. (33): 1, 2, Pickles; 3, Brownson; 4, Richardson; vhc, Orton; he, Hornsby; c, Gillespie. 10s. (15): 1, Richardson; 2, he, Ronald; 3, J. Taylor; 4, Barnes; vhc, Appley; c, Gillespie.

Mr. W. Reid's Classes.

YORKS. YELL. (10): 1, Dixon, cl., grand one all over, nice length, well up on leg, neat head, good col., well braced wings and tail; 2, Wearmouth, another nice cl., nice length and pos., sweet head, nicely rounded, good col. and qual., not quite so neat in wing carr.; 3, Swinsco, wing and eye mkd., not quite the length, but all there for style and pos., well rounded, good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 4, Pyman, fine length, well up on good legs, nice col., neat wings, loses a bit in qual. and finish; vhc, Riseborough; he, Taylor; c, Carr. BUFF (9): 1, Rand, nice length, very stylish and well finished, nice shoulders and waist, good col. and qual., neat head, grand wings and tail; 2, Naylor, longer, line pos., neat head, well rounded body, nice col. and qual., not so tightly braced in wings; 3, Swinsco, not quite the length, well up on legs, lovely col. and qual., well drawn, neat head, nice shoulders and waist; 4, Pyman, plenty of length, straight up, neat shoulders and waist, nice col., wee bit faulty in wings; vhc, Riseborough; he, Brownson; c, Crawhall. 1914 (13): 1, Naylor, cl. yell., grand one all over, nice length, well up on good legs, neat narrow shoulders, well drawn, nice col. and qual., grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Beaumont, cl. buff, nice length and pos., slim and bely drawn, neat head, good col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; 3, c, Carlisle, cl. yell., plenty of length, nice pos., neat head, good col. and qual., well braced wings, not so tight in feather; 4, he, Pyman, cl. buff, nice length and pos., neat narrow shoulders, good col.; vhc, Stirk. HEN (12): 1, Crawhall, gem of a yell., medium length, beautifully rounded, neat head, grandly drawn, nice col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Carlisle, yell., longer, but not so beautifully rounded, nice pos., neat head and shoulders, nice col., well braced wings and tail; 3, Wearmouth, mkd. buff, nice length and pos., slim and stik-h. neat head, nice col., good wings and tail; 4, Dixon, cinn. mkd. yell., not the length of leaders, but very neat and stylish, neat head, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Stirk; he, Taylor; c, Pyman. NOV. (7): 1, Naylor, cl. yell., nice one all over, good length, nice pos., neat head and shoulders, good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Dixon, mkd. head and neck, buff, plenty of length, nice pos., neat wings and tail, lacks the extra finish of leader; 3, Christian and Hutchinson, var. yell., not quite the length but very neat and stylish, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 4, Harvey, cl. yell., nice length and pos., neat head, good col. and qual.; vhc, Bray; he, Curnalt; c, Allan. LIN-NET (14): 1, vhc, Simpson, gem for size and shape, rich brown col., grandly pencilled, good head, nice cond., steady as a rock; 2, he, Davidson, grand shape and perhaps a trifle bigger than winner, beautifully pencilled all over, quite the equal of leader in all but col.; 3, Bates, nice size, but not so shapely, grand col., well pencilled all over, nice cond., steady; 4, McVay, good size and shape, nice col., well pencilled, not the polish; c, Tams. GOLDF. or BULLE. (15): 1, Dr. Wilson, Bullie, medium size, lovely shape, grand rich breast col., wonderful cap, broad and beautifully clean cut, nice back, a good one; 2, vhc, c, Nicholson and Son, lovely Goldie, grand rich col., blaze, clean and square cut, lovely body col. and tanning, grand wings in the pink; 3, Rutherford, Bullie, big bold head, very shapely, lovely breast col., rich col. bird, but not so broad behind cap as leader, grand feather and cond.; 4, Stewart, grand Bullie, lovely size and shape, good clean cut cap, not so level in col.; he, Tams. SISKIN, ETC. (18): 1, Carr, Siskin, grand size, lovely shape, rich body col., beautifully pencilled, clean cut cap, well laced, in the pink; 2, vhc, Nicholson and Son, Twite, fine size and shape, rich col., level in tone, grandly pencilled, nice cond. and feather; 3, Dr. Wilson, Lesser Redpoll, fine size, rare shape, rich body col., grandly laced, grand polish and cond.; 4, Jameson and Johnson, Twite, fine size and shape, good col., well pencilled; he, Forster; c, Wild. A.O. SEED-EATER (7): 1, Dr. Wilson, Meadow Bunting, grand col., lovely head markings, in the pink; 2, Nicholson and Son, tip-top Yellowhammer, grand size and shape, rare col., grand head marks, wonderful cond., steady as a rock; 3, MacPherson, Hawfinch, not a big one, but nice shape, good head, nice level col., good cond.; 4, Rutherford, nice Bramble, good size, lovely col., nicely spangled, grand cond. and feather; vhc, Jameson and Johnson; he, Waters; c, Swann. THRUSH, ETC. (3): 1, Widdowfield, Song Thrush, nice size and shape, grandly spotted all over, nice cond. and feather; 2, Parnaby, Red-wing, nice one for size, shape and col., good cond.; 3, Casling, Song Thrush, nice size, shape and col., lacks the grand spotting of leader. A.O. SOFT-BILL (5): 1, 3, Nicholson and Son, leader beautiful Waxwing, grand size, lovely col., perfect waxings, shown in most perfect cond., 3rd Blackcap, nice size and shape, good col., not quite tightened up yet; 2, Parnaby, Mistle Thrush, fine size and shape, rich col., grandly spotted, nice cond. and feather; 3, Swann, Redstart, nice col., but not quite tight yet; vhc, Davidson. MULE, ETC. (9): 1, he, Dr. Wilson, Can-Bullie, medium size, grand shape, magnificent col., rich polish and cond., a good one; 2, Wright, Siskin-Can., nice size and shape, good col., well pencilled, nice cond. and feather; 3, Appleyard, Goldie, Bullie, not a big one, but nice shape, good col., in fine trim; 4, Harvey, yell. Greenie-Can., nice size, good shape, shown in nice cond.; vhc, Harkess; c, Fraser.

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READING.

All Previous Bests Left in the Rear.

Thirteenth Annual Show, Palmer Hall, Nov. 11. The building is a grand one for a show, with every convenience, plenty of light, and room for visitors. The staging was tastefully arranged. The entry was about 50 in excess of last year, and quality far and away the best seen at this listure. Norwich and Yorks. were well represented, many winners at far bigger shows being put to it to hold their own. Reading always has a good exhibition of Britishers, and the present show was no exception; the class for Goldies was a topper, but at a show of this size the A.O.V. class might have been split up; it seems hardly fair to expect Finches, Buntings, and Scitbills, to compete together. Type, quality, and size were all evident in the Norwich, some really high class ones being put down. Messrs. Saunders' yell. and Allsopp's buff were real gems, and came in for a lot of attention. Messrs. Jawsco Bros. had out a hot team in Yorks., but Messrs. Giles, Everett, Thomson, Pritchard, Woodley, and others made them go all the way to win. The unflighted buff class was a hot one, more than the winners deserving of awards. Members came up well with their entries, the all-round excellence of the birds making the show particularly attractive. Mr. O. C. Smith won spl. for best Nor. with a capital var. bird, of good size. The show was well attended and quite a big crowd gathered round the stage when the Mayor, Mr. Leonard Sutton, presented the prizes. The show was capitally managed, and in addition to the Sec., Mr. O. C. Smith, the following gentlemen ably assisted:—Messrs. Vince, Yates, Munday, Dearlove, Meadowcroft, Brooker, Smith, Maisey, George, and the late sec., Mr. W. H. Pyke. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. YELL. (10): 1, Saunders, wonderful size and subs., big, full head and neck, bold, wide front, good wing carr., grand depth of col. and bloom; 2, Silk, C. W., closely pressed, hardly the subs., but wonderfully short, grand, bold head, nicely rounded, and tight in feather; 3, Lees, hardly the bulk of winner, but capital type and good qual.; vhc, Lovegrove; he, Davis; c, Cannon. BUFF (12): 1, Allsopp, sterner for size, but inclined to put on flesh, which somewhat spoilt the contour, grand head and wings, but some preferred 2, Saunders, a gem for type, size, and qual., difficult to find fault with, beautifully proportioned throughout, and staged to time; 3, Davis, nice var., neat head and wings, good qual.; vhc, Cook; he, Mrs. Weeks; c, Silk. HEN (7): 1, 2, Dearlove, winner, the much talked of Yell., a gem, size, type, and qual. all there, wonderful style; 2nd, lovely buff, typical, good size, neat head and good wings, grand cond.; 3, Philpot, nice front, good back and wings, neat tail, excellent qual.; vhc, he, Cannon; c, Dunning. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, Lewin, wing mkd., fine size and shape, well across the perch, bold head, nicely rounded body, good wings and tail, in fine fettle; 2, M. Cook, cap and wing mkd., good subs., bold, full head and neck, good back, low on legs, lovely qual.; 3, Addison, lovely 3 ptd., grand type, cleanly cut, neat head, good shoulders and back, capital wings, in fine order; vhc, Silk; he, Lees; c, Allsopp. BUFF (9): 1, Lees, nice size, quite long enough, but if chickens will be a good one, capital head and wing, grand qual.; 2, Allsopp, similar, good qual., nicely moulded, stands well, should improve; 3, Silk, grand subs., fine full head and neck, good wings, capital col. and qual., must have pressed leaders; vhc, he, Lewin; c, Cook. YORKS. YELL. (19): 1, Everett, grand cl., wonderful length, good style, stands well, showing plenty of daylight, tightly braced wings, neat tail, lovely qual., well put down; 2, Pritchard, cl., grand type, hardly so nice in head, not so smooth in front, but fine length of side, and good pos.; 3, Thomson, beauty, hit cleaner fronted than 2nd, grand length, wings tightly braced, well up on leg; vhc, Cooke; he, c, Hawes Bros. BUFF (19): 1, 3, vhc, Hawes Bros., leader, sterner for size, although inclined to be fat, which made him look thick, fine length of wings, grand qual.; 3, lovely cl., smarter, more racy, grand length and style, cleanly cut, showing plenty of leg, A1 qual.; 2, Weeks, var., full of qual and cond., grand length and style, good head, capital shoulders, back, and wings, pleased the eye immensely; he, Smith; c, Clarke. HEN (16): 1, 2, he, Hawes Bros., well-known Cinn. mkd., leading, very typical, and small, fine full length of side, stands well, grand wings, in the pink; 2, lovely buff, wonderful type and style, just a suspicion of frill, otherwise a charmer, we liked immensely; 3, Giles, grand buff, fine pos. and style, rare length, good head and wings, A1 qual.; vhc, c, Hutchinson. UNFLIG. YELL. (16): 1, Hawes Bros., grand size and type, good shoulders and back, wee bit weak in head, but A1 qual.; 2, Woodley, very clean cut and smart, good head, neck, and shoulders, tightly braced wings, neat tail, tight as wax, must have pressed; 3, Clark, hardly the length of winners, but neat head, well up on shoulder, capital wings, pure qual. feathers; vhc, Nicholls; he, Roser; c, Thomson. BUFF (19): 1, Hawes Bros., wonderful size, fine length of wing, feather and well put down; 2, Clarke, beauty for size, style, and pos., hardly the finish of winner, but grand length of wing, good head and tail; 3, Parker, good one, capital length and pos., good legs, tightly braced wings, neat tail; vhc, Bridgewater; he, Lane; c, White. A.O.V.: 1, vhc, Edwards, grand gr., C.B., wonderful size and subs., massive skull, well clothed with feather, grandly lashed, A1 qual.; 2, c, Fifeild, cl. Dutch Frill, grand size and pos., full of feather, fine double mantle and underfrill, rare qual.; 3, Clayton, topping little yell. Bord., very neat and typical, clean cut, good head, wings, and tail, tightly packed, in the pink; he, Pike. GOLDF. (10): 1, Acton, lovely Finch, grand size and shape, big, bold face, with clean cut blaze, nice wide top, rich tan, good wings, put down in the pink; 2, c, Messrs. Bowler, grand face, fine width, and clean cut, hardly the subs. of winner, but equal in other points, in fine fettle; 3, Edwards, another good one on points, grand blaze, good rich black, fine wings, well buttoned, hardly the polish, but a good one; vhc, Prior; he, Silk. A.O.V. (16): 1, Burrows, lovely Redstart, fine size and perfect shape, rare depth of col., beautiful frosting, in the pink; 2, Crawford, bonny Fieldfare, grand size, beautifully proportioned, grandly mkd., fine col. and cond.; 3, Poole, very fine Hawfinch, good size, grand head, with good bib, nice even tone of col., good wings, tight as wax; vhc, he, Marott; c, Lawrence. HYB. (12): 1, Howick, well-known Canary-Bullie, looking grand, capital size and depth of col., lovely qual.; 2, vhc, c, Lamb, charming clear Goldie-Can., good size for a clear, and very shapely, A1 cond.; 3, Edwards, very fine Goldie-Bullie, large, nicely proportioned, very rich face, dense blacks, good wings, A1 cond.;

vhc, White. PARROTS (3): 1, Acton, very fine grey, grand size, tight in feather, and good col.; 2, Mrs. Powell, lovely white Cockatoo, beauty for size, spotless; 3, Mrs. Pyke, grand Amazon, in lovely cond., rich col., capital size. PARAKEET (5): 1, 2, Acton, uncoloured pair leading, tight as wax; 2, blue crowned, grand col. and qual., in the pink; 3, he, Mrs. Longden, very fine Lory, capital cond. and col.; vhc, Miss Wilkinson. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Acton, charming Shama, leading, good col. and nicely feathered; 2, capital Golden Fruit Sucker, good size, rich col. and markings. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, Acton, wonderful team, lovely pair, yell-winged Sugar Birds, leading; 2, Purple Sugar Bird, rich col., tight as wax; 3, grand Rainbow Bunting; vhc, he, Mrs. Longden, very fine class, good ones, standing out. MEMB. NOV., YELL. NOR.: 1, 2, Lovegrove; 3, vhc, he, Dearlove; c, Church. BUFF: 1, McCallum; 2, Lewin; 3, Church; vhc, he, Dearlove; 1, 3, Dearlove; 2, he, Lewin; c, Lovegrove. HEN: 1, 3, vhc, Dearlove; 2, he, Lewin; c, Lovegrove. UN-FLIG.: 1, 3, vhc, Dearlove; 2, Smith; he, Lovegrove; c, Church. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Giles; 2, c, Cooke; 3, Roser; vhc, he, King. BUFF: 1, Roser; 2, Montgomery; 3, Giles; vhc, Cooke; he, Miss Philcox; c, Turner. HEN: 1, sp, vhc, Turner; 2, Cooke; 3, King; vhc, Giles; c, Goldsmith. UN-FLIG.: 1, sp, Cooke; 2, he, King; 3, Giles; vhc, c, Roser. A.O.V.: 1, sp, 3, Pike; 2, he, c, Meadowcroft; vhc, Cunningham. HYB.: 1, Gough; 2, vhc, Munday; 3, Foster; he, Church; c, Colburn. GOLDF.: 1, vhc, Gough; 2, Chubb; 3, Smith. BULLE.: 1, 3, White; 2, Chubb; vhc, Colburn; he, Frewin. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Chubb; 2, Foster; 3, Vince. AMAT. NOR.: 1, Foster; 2, 3, Emmerson; vhc, McCallum; he, Smith. HEN: 1, he, c, Larkcom; 2, 3, Emmerson; vhc, Smith. UNFLIG.: 1, he, c, Emmerson; 2, 3, Smith; vhc, Frewin. YORKS.: 1, 3, Hebburn; 2, vhc, Thomas; he, Chalker; c, Philcox. UNFLIG.: 1, vhc, Hebburn; 2, 3, c, Chalker; he, Miss Philcox. NOV., NOR.: 1, Smith; 2, Munday; 3, Ront; vhc, Pounsett; he, Smith. HEN: 1, Pounsett; 2, E. J. Smith; 3, Foster; vhc, he, O. C. Smith. UNFLIG.: 1, sp, 3, O. C. Smith; 2, Mrs. Wright; vhc, he, Mrs. Murton. YORKS.: 1, sp, 3, Killick; 2, Chubb; vhc, Miss Philcox; he, Chalker. HEN: 1, Chalker; 2, Miss Philcox. UNFLIG.: 1, Chubb; 2, vhc, c, Chalker; 3, Killick. CHILDREN'S PETS: 1, Reeves; 2, C. Albury; 3, C. Metcalfe; vhc, E. F. Slaughter; he, L. Pearce; c, D. Metcalfe.

ACCRINGTON.

Open show, November 14. Owing to the big strike in the town lasting so long, the war, and the slackness of trade, it was decided to hold the show at the club house, Crown Hotel, in order to keep down expenses, and make it for Norwich Plainheads only. The show had the full patronage of the O.N.P.C., and grand teams were put down by W. Crawshaw, A. Hirst, J. Thomas, Stubbs Bros. and S. Cook. Competition was very hot, and another set of winners could have been picked out of buff cocks, while the unflighted classes contained nearly all this season's winners. The birds were nicely staged on three sides of the room, with a good light, and could be seen well. The work was got through by a willing lot of workers, consisting of D. Harwood (sec.), A. Hirst (chairman), W. Crawshaw (treas.), committee, J. Stutter, H. Walsh, J. Rooney, J. E. Hartup, W. Parkinson, S. Waddington, and H. Biding. The birds were in the hands of the railway company in good time on Saturday, to reach home same night, except the very long journeys. Prize-money was paid out in the afternoon to those present, and we understand the remainder was sent out on Monday.—Mr. E. Godley judged. CHAMP. YELL. CK. (13): 1, he, Crawshaw, eye and wings mkd., rare qual. and shape, nice car., Manchester and Leicester winner; 2, Issott, cl. nice head and neck, fine cond.; 3, Stubbs Bros., fine bold bird, red hot col. at first sight a sterner, but somewhat spoiled by bad wings; 4, Thomas, cl., good head, rare subs. and shape, beaten in quality of feather only; we preferred it for 2nd; vhc, Hirst; c, Turner. BUFF (13): 1, A. Hirst, well-known varieg., grand head, full neck, deep chest, plenty of size, bit short of col.; 2, Crawshaw, varieg., full of col., grand shape, true Nor., not the size of winner; 3, Thomas, cl., grand shape, rare body and size; 4, Mercer, eye and wing mark, good head and neck, hot col., beaten in subs., still, a grand bird; very hot class; many well-known winners had to stand down; vhc, Thomas; he, A. Hirst; c, Turner. HEN (11): 1, Thomas, cl. yell., red hot, good head, extra big, long in fights and tail; 2, Cook, buff mkd. head and wings, grand shape, rare body; 3, Cook, yell. var., rare head, good shape, rather long in body; 4, Thomas, cl. buff, nice head and neck, grand qual. and shape; vhc, Sutton; he, Dormer; c, Heap. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, 2, 4, Crawshaw, really fine team, leader, wonderful size and shape, in grand form, Manchester, Leicester, etc., winner, 2nd, nice type, well up in size, red hot; 4, Liverpool; 2, 3, Stubbs Bros., cl., grand feather, good body, nice style and shape; vhc, Heap; he, c, A. Hirst. BUFF (11): 1, Stubbs Bros., cl., grand qual., red hot, nice type, shines like satin, not over good in wing car.; 2, Hirst, good head, neck and chest, nice feather, green tail, more size than leader, beaten in col.; 3, vhc, Fielding, cl., good shape, size and colour; 4, Crawshaw, var., full of col., good shape and size; he, Hartup; c, Sutton. HEN (17): 1, Cook, var. buff, rare head, neck and body, grand feather, Manchester and Leicester winner; 2, Stubbs Bros., yell., wonderful col. for a lady, rare qual., nice type; 3, W. A. Wilson, cl. buff, good shape, nice cobby hen; 4, Hirst, cl. yell., nice head, full neck, good wings and qual.; vhc, Dormer; he, Heap; c, Fielding. AMAT., YELL. CK. (12): 1, Catlow, var., good head, neck, nice wings and tail, nice qual.; 2, Cook and Sons, eye and wing mkd., big, slashing bird, rare shape, body, full of col., fails in head and neck to winner; 3, Shorrocks, cl., grand type, lovely qual.; 4, Marginson, another cl., nice shape and feather, close up; vhc, Studdart, bard lines, unflighted bird; he, Waddington; c, Watts. BUFF (13): 1, Cook and Sons, cl., well up in size, nice head, good feather; 2, Marginson, var., red hot col., grand qual., in full bloom; 3, Watts, wing and cheek mkd., rare subs., good shape, wide head, bit browed, or would have won; 4, Smalley, nice feather, good shape, rather smaller; vhc, Rooney; he, Studdart; c, Riley. HEN (8): 1, Haworth, cl. yell., nice car., good feather and type; 2, Catlow, cl. buff, nice head, full neck, rare subs., close up; 3, Hartup, var. yell., very sweet qual., stylish; 4, Cook and Sons, tick buff, good shape, plenty of size; vhc, Studdart; he, Waddington; c, Parkinson.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

AVONBRIDGE.

Eleventh annual show, New Public Hall, Nov. 14, and we are pleased to record the fact that it beat all former records. Mr. P. Gentleman, the energetic sec., is a first class master in show organisation, and had all in past-class order. His executive are enthusiastic, and the general management leaves nothing to be desired. Mr. G. Hishop, Stirling, judged non-fed Norwich and Borders, and Mr. T. Bell, Bouess, the remainder.

NOR. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Marlin, large typical cl., grand head, col., and qual.; 2, Scoble, good head cl., bold front, rare feather; 3, Chalmers, grand type and qual., close up; 4, Gardner; vhc, Auk n. HEN (5): 1, 2, Chalmers, rare good qual. and subs., Kirk-intoloca winners in grand order; 3, vhc, Gardner, good broad deep front, nice head and neck; 4, Strachan, BUFF CK. (5): 1, Chalmers, good qual. cl., compact and clean cut, staged to perfection; 2, Lawson, short and thick, good wings, full of qual.; 3, Scoble, good head and neck, nice cond.; 4, Weir; vhc, Funday. HEN (5): 1, Chalmers, cl., plenty of subs., thick set, nice qual. feather; 2, T. Chalmers, nice head and rize, good texture; 3, vhc, Gardner, good useful sort, good size and front; 4, Campbell. NON-FED CK. (7): 1, Showers, scores in size and col., rare good type and qual.; 2, he, Cosgrove, shapely, nice size and topping qual.; 3, Marlin, well shown, nice subs. and feather; 4, T. Chalmers; vhc, Gentleman; c, Lawson. HEN (6): 1, Gardner, grand type and texture of feather; 2, Scoble, nice size, head and neck, well shown; 3, vhc, Cosgrove, not so good in front or wing; 4, Roger Bros.; he, Morrison. BEST (2): 1, Chalmers, grand crest and feather, well groomed, green body; 2, Kidd. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Bennett, well known, nice round head, grand col. and cond.; 2, Young, rare good head, splendid wings and tail, close up; 3, Wilson, neat type, grand jaunty carriage; 4, Herman; vhc, Dunsmore, junr.; he, Paterson; c, Weir. HEN (16): 1, Smart, cup winner Leamhead and medal winner Haddington, one of the best yell. hens seen for past few years; 2, Kroen, rare good shape and carriage, tight as wax; 3, Fotheringham, good head and body, graceful, capital feather; 4, Sloan; vhc, Paterson; he, Halliday; c, Aitchison. BUFF CK. (23): 1, vhc, Kroen, grand stamp, lovely cond., rare carriage and size; 2, Bennett, another good one, staged to perfection; 3, Paterson, great type and cond., real jaunty carriage; 4, Gentleman; he, Craig; c, Paterson. HEN (15): 1, Duncan, sweet little lady, perfect order, a credit to Fife; 2, Paterson, charming cl., rare head, back and wings, best of col. and cond.; 3, Johnstone, good short cl., shade thick, grand texture of feather; 4, Linton; vhc, Craig; he, Paterson; c, Reid. EVEN MKD. (19): 1, Haddon, well known, great qual., nicely balanced markings; 2, Johnstone, good type and qual. of feather; 3, (fron), good wings, nice head and neck; 4, Nicholson; vhc, Hay; he, Schoeler and Briggs; c, Pennington. VAR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Gibson, scores in type and carriage, faultless cond.; 2, Weir, well known cap and wing mtd., rare good type, splendid cond.; 2, Waters, held some position Haddington, good all-round; 4, Pennington; vhc, Hedzson; he, Bertain; c, Gowans. HEN (5): 1, Gentleman, rare good shape, best qual. and pos., neat head; 2, Bennett, all there for qual. and shape, close up; 3, Peters, smart carriage, good head, good head; 4, Gilchrist; vhc, Stewart. VAR. BUFF CK. (16): 1, Craig, Brechin winner, charming shape and feather, lit; 2, Rintoul, similar type, great carriage and cond.; 3, Schoeler and Briggs, good shape and pos., good cond.; 4, Windram; vhc, Sloan; he, Dick; c, Halliday. HEN (11): 1, Rintoul, well-known, wins by cond.; 2, Aitchison, good shape and wing carriage, neat tail; 3, Paterson, less trife in back, good head, rare cond.; 4, Fotheringham; vhc, Murray; he, Gilchrist; c, Bennett. GR. SELF YELL. CK. (11): 1, Whitelaw, grand shape, beautiful col. and pencilling; 2, Smith, rich level tone of col., extra typical; 3, Wilson, nice size and head, good col.; 4, Campbell; vhc, Hamilton; he, Haddon; c, Gentleman. HEN (12): 1, Lambie, well-known, rare good texture, lovely col. and back; 2, Smith, good type and pos., excellent col.; 3, Gentleman, nicely pencilled on good ground, good shape; 4, Whitelaw; vhc, Hamilton; he, Baxter; c, Shawler. BUFF CK. (13): 1, Aitken, rare good head and neck, excellent back and tail, well put down; 2, Reid, good stamp and carriage, nice qual.; 3, Rubie, loses in finish and pencilling, good shape; 4, Smith, we liked as well, nice stamp; vhc, Murray; he, Campbell; c, Lambie. HEN (10): 1, Reid, neat, good carriage and col.; 2, Baxter, typical, rare good qual. and col.; 3, Whitelaw, splendid col., nice markings, good carriage; 4, Hamilton; vhc, Lambie; he, Wilson; c, Spence. CINN. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Grand class; 1, 3, Wilson, two gems, winner wonderful col. and markings, both good cond.; 2, Gentleman, also good in colour and shape; great qual.; 4, vhc, Haddon; he, Paterson; c, McColl. HEN (14): 1, Houston, true in col., excellent markings and cond.; 2, 4, Wilson, both good in col., latter not so nice in pencilling; 3, vhc, Reid, good stamp and feather, good col.; he, Whitelaw; c, Hamilton. BUFF CK. (15): 1, 3, Wilson, lovely soft col., beautifully mtd., winner excellent in type; 2, Gentleman, good wing carriage, and back, nice col.; 4, Hamilton; vhc, Middleton; he, White-law; c, Murray. HEN (9): 1, c, Wilson, neat, lovely tone, great qual.; 2, Coulthard, close up, good head, very tight; 3, Dick, quite good hen, nice type; 4, Whitelaw; vhc, Murray; he, Hamilton. FOUL (8): 1, Reid, grand type, tight as wax; 2, Campbell, scores in shape; 3, Windram, good stamp and col.; 4, Houston; vhc, Gentleman; he, Wilson; c, Lambie. SELL. (12): 1, Young; 2, Gentleman; 3, Paterson; 4, Gilchrist; vhc, Reid; he, Murray; c, Dunsmore, junr. DARK GOLD. OR LINNET MULE (14): 1, 2, McQuiston and Paterson; 1st, well known Goldie, great size, col. and cond., clear win; 2nd, big, good Linnet, in great cond.; 3, Gilchrist, well-known Goldie, "Bord'r King"; 4, Martin; vhc, Scoble; he, Reid; c, McLean. LIGHT MULE OR HYB. (7): 1, sp, Wilson, good Green-Challinck, staged to perfection; 2, Gentleman, grand Linnet-Bullie, splendid cond. and size; 3, McQuiston and Paterson, very good Light Mule, nice size; 4, Campbell; vhc, Brownlie and Cook; he, Brennan; c, Rodgers Bros. A.O.V. CAN. MULE (8): 1, Wilson, grand Canary-Bullie, wonderful col. and cond., good size; 2, McQuiston and Paterson, big bouncing Greenie, grand col. and finish; 3, Marlin, very smart Siskin, well staged; 4, Cald'r; vhc, Weir; he, Clark; c, Sykes. MULE OR HYB. HEN (6): 1, McGillivray Bros., Goldie-Mule, Forjar winner, grand cond.; 2, Clark, very good size and cond.; 3, McQuiston and Paterson, cl., Goldie Mule, good size and col.; 4, Nicol; vhc, Cummings; he, Bedson; SELL. 78. 61. (4): 1, Campbell; 2, McLean; 3, Gentleman; 4, Strachan. BRITISH BIRDS: GOLDF. (14): 1, Palmer, Brechin winner, vhc, vhc by size and col.; 2, Marlin, good square blaze, neat Luttons, nice tamping, slender; 3, Campbell, good blaze and tamping. BULLP. (3): 1, Wilson, outstanding, grand size and pos. in rare cap and col.; 2, McQuiston and Paterson, nice col. and; 3, McKel, grand cap, good body, ready; 4, Tomlinson; vhc, McKel; he, Calder; c, Woods. SISKIN (14): 1, Brownlie and Cook, well fed, grand cond. and size; 2, Lowrie, bright, good col., nice cap and bib; 3, Cald'r, very smart, good size; 4, Nicholson; vhc, Conkie and Landon; he, McDougall; c, Hope. LINNET, H.M. (10): 1, 2, McQuiston and Paterson, two great Linnets, grand size, wonderful ground col. and pencillings; 3, Gentleman, plenty of size, good col., shows whites well; 4, Strachan; vhc, Mackie; he, Lowrie; c, Nicol. F.M. (8): 1, Reid Bros., big bonning bird, grand col., whis; 2, McLean, very nice col. and pencillings, good size; 3, Reid Bros., good col., shade smaller; 4, Sykes; vhc, Conkie and Landon; he, McQuiston and Paterson; c, Watson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (12): 1, McQuiston and Paterson, grand coloured Twite, good size; 2, Cald'r, big, good Mealy, capital condition; 3, Nicolson, very nice Twite; 4, Dunsmore; vhc, Conkie and Landon; he, Boslin; c, Wilson. LESSER REDPOLL, H.M. (10): 1, Nicolson, rare good col. and cond., well lashed; 2, Nicol, rare good col., good markings; 3, Conkie and Landon, very neat, grand cond.; 4, Palmer; vhc, Lowrie; he, Russell; c, Cameron. F.M. (10): 1, 4, vhc, Lambie, nice team, winner scores in col. and markings; 2, Brownlie and Cook, excellent ground col., well mtd.; 3, Sykes, grand cond., good markings; he, Morgan and Robertson; c, Finlay. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (10): 1, Sykes, the notorious Bramble-linch, looking as fit as ever, his 9th first prize; 2, Russell, big, good coloured Chaffie, rare shoulders; 3, Conkie and Landon, well spangled Bramble-linch, nice size; 4, vhc, Gentleman; he, Weir; c, McKelgen. GREENP. (15): 1, 4, Gentleman, 1st grand bonning bird, winner charming yell.; 2, c, Campbell, rare good yell., grand size and polish; 3, Linton, good yell., good body and head; vhc, Nicolson; he, McKelchie. F.M. (3): 1, Lowrie, rare good; dark grassy green yell., capital size; 2, Gentleman, plenty of size, and steady; 3, McKel, beaten in size. BENTING (6): 1, Strachan, good col., Yellow Bunting, capital head; 2, McQuiston and Paterson, large good coloured Corn Hunting; 3, Cald'r, Yellowhammer, nice size and V; 4, Arnot, beaten in size; vhc, Russell. A.O.V. (2): 1, Anderson, well shown Grey Wagtail; 2, Sykes, massive well marked Hawfinch. BULLE. HEN (8): 1, 3, Gentleman, great size and polish; 2, McQuiston and Paterson, plenty of size, close up; 4, Sykes; vhc, Strachan. GREENP. HEN (4): 1, Campbell, good qual., though not largest; 2, Linton, good subs. and cond.; 2, Aitken, good size; 4, Nicol. A.O.V. HEN (9): 1, Strachan, We T. Luthian Queen, grandly staged Thrush; 2, McQuiston and Paterson, very good Bunting; 3, he, Gentleman, nice Yellowhammer; 4, c, Anderson; vhc, Foster. SELL. (7): 1, Strachan, Redstart; 2, Marlin, Yellowhammer; 3, Morrison, Bullie; 4, Gentleman, Chaffinck; vhc, Foster; he, McGillivray Bros. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLP. (3): 1, McKelgen, rare good Goldie; 2, Dunsmore, rare good hen Bullie. FOR. A.O.V. (2): 1, 2, Arnot.

PARTICK.

Sixteenth annual show, Co-operative Hall, Nov. 7. For comfort and beauty a more suitable hall would be difficult to imagine. The Canary classes were much smaller than usual, but some very outstanding birds were staged. British birds and mules were well filled, and some extra grand specimens were on view. Mr. Laurie put down a fine team of Linnets and won spl. for best Hard-bill in hall. Cup for best bird was won by Mr. A. Maxwell's Norwich, a bird of outstanding merit, the smaller cup to the runner-up going to Mr. Aikenhead's York cock, which was also in the winning team for Yorkshire bowl. Judges were: Nor., Mr. F. Taylor; Yorks. and Bord., Mr. R. Hezgie; Brit., etc., Mr. R. G. Clubbs, and they got through their duties to the general satisfaction.

YOUNG BIRDS, NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (3): 1, 2, Maxwell; 3, Cairns. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Maxwell; 2, 4, Cairns. VAR. YELL. (5): 1, 3, Maxwell; 2, Cairns; 3, Wylie. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, Maxwell; 3, Cairns. NON-FED. (1): 1, Fairweather. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (1): 1, Crumond. BUFF (2): 1, Crumond; 2, Fairweather. VAR. YELL. (1): 1, Crumond. BUFF (1): 1, Crumond. YORCS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, Aitkenhead; 2, Park; 3, 4, Anderson. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Aitkenhead; 3, Park; 4, Anderson. VAR. YELL. (1): 1, Park. BUFF (3): 1, Park; 2, Webster; 3, McRobbie. MULE OR HYB. (8): 1, 4, Webster; 2, 3, Laurie. NOV. NOR. (3): 1, 3, Clark; 2, Wylie. BORD. (1): 1, Wylie. OLD BIRDS, CRESTS (2), C.B. (3): 1, All McMillan. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Maxwell; 2, Fraser; 3, Cairns; 4, McMillan. BUFF (6): 1, Cairns; 2, Cairns; 3, Fraser; 4, Maxwell. VAR. YELL. (1): 1, Clark. BUFF (4): 1, Webster; 2, Park; 3, Cairns; 4, McMillan. NON-FED (4): 1, Cairns; 2, McMillan; 3, Fairweather; 4, Wylie. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (2): 1, Crumond; 2, Fairweather. BUFF (2): 1, Crumond; 2, Fairweather. VAR. YELL. (1): 1, Crumond. BUFF (1): 1, Fairweather. CIN. OR GR. (2): 1, 2, Crumond. YORCS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 2, Anderson; 3, MacRobbie; 4, Park; 5, Aitkenhead. BUFF (6): 1, MacRobbie; 2, Aitkenhead; 3, Anderson; 4, Sinclair. YELL. (4): 1, Sinclair; 2, 4, Park; 3, MacRobbie. NON-FED (7): 1, 2, Coates; 3, 4, Laurie. A.O.V. (1): 1, Coates. SELL. (1): 1, Park. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, Laurie; 2, Park; 3, Fraser; 4, Webster. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULLP. (4): 1, All Laurie. BRIT. GOLDP. (5): 1, Laurie; 2, Fraser; 3, Webster; 4, Wylie. BULLP. (2): 1, Crumond; 2, Laurie. LINNET (2): 1, 2, 3, Laurie; 4, Henry. MEALY REDPOLL (3): 1, Webster; 2, Fraser. SISKIN (3): 1, Fraser; 2, Webster; 3, Laurie. REDPOLL (1): 1, Fraser; 2, Webster; 3, Henry; 4, Clark. TWITE (2): 1, Clark; 2, Webster. GREENP. (9): 1, Aitkenhead; 2, Fraser; 3, Coates; 4, Laurie. SMALL BRIT. (10): 1, Webster; 2, Clark; 3, Laurie; 4, Fraser. LARGE (1): 1, Fraser. BENTING (4): 1, 3, Webster; 2, Clark; 4, Laurie. SMALL FOR. (2): 1, Webster; 2, 3, Park. BRIT. HEN (4): 1, Fraser; 2, Webster; 3, 4, Laurie.

PUDSEY, STANNINGLEY C.B.S.

Third members' show of season Oct. 24. Fleece Hotel, Stanningley; 63 birds were staged, all Yorkshires. Most points were gained by the following: E. Marsh, 28, W. Ackroyd, 21, F. Page, 17, H. Taylor, 17, W. Winn, 14, Towler and Hargreaves, 13, H. Ratnick, 12, E. Patchett, 11. The judge, Mr. W. Mann, got through his work in a very able manner. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (10): 1, Taylor; 2, 3, Marsh; 4, he, Winn; vhc, Forrester; 5, Lumby and Coates. BUFF (11): 1, Marsh; 2, Ackroyd; 3, Raistrick; 4, Taylor; vhc, c, Towler and Hargreaves; he, Patchett. MKD. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Ackroyd; 2, Marsh; 3, he, Raistrick; vhc, Patchett; c, R. M. MKD. BUFF (7): 1, Winn; 2, Patchett; 3, Forrester; 4, Lumby and Hargreaves; vhc, c, Marsh; he, Page. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (2): 1, vhc, Marsh; 2, 4, Page; 3, Ackroyd. he, Taylor; c, Winn. BUFF (7): 1, 2, Marsh; 3, c, Page; 4, Taylor; vhc, Towler and Hargreaves; he, Ackroyd. MKD. (9): 1, 3, Marsh; 2, 4, he, Ackroyd; vhc, Towler and Hargreaves; c, Elliott. H. Ratnick, Sec.

NEWCASTLE.

If northern fanciers felt any disappointment at the abandonment of the celebrated two-days' show held annually by the Newcastle C.B.C., it was to a large extent counterbalanced by the extra line show held by the society in conjunction with the Northern Specialist Clubs, Nov. 14. The Co-operative Hall, which the society had taken for the big one-day fixture, was taken by the military just before the show, and the officials had to hurriedly hunt round for another hall, and were fortunate in being able to secure at the last moment the St. Wilfred's Hall in Blandford-street. Entries came up splendidly, totalling 502, and quality was simply grand. The pick of the northern bird rooms were on view, and the public were treated to a really fine display of first-class exhibits. Norwich, Yorks., and Bord. were great, while the two classes for current year Crests and Crestbred were stormers. The winner of challenge bowl for best young bird was a lovely clear Goldie Mule, exhibited by Mr. J. Maddison, a gem of the first water. The "Kate Haggie" challenge cup for best bird other than bowl winner went to Mr. Geo. Dobson with a magnificent D.C. Other special prize-winners: Most points in show, Maddison; for most points in Canaries, Johnson. L. Lindsay; most points novices, Reid. The management, as always, was absolutely perfect, and in Mr. A. J. Haggie the society possesses a grand president. In Mr. F. C. Crawhall the society have a splendid chairman, keen and enthusiastic, and always ready to do his best for the club, and he is grandly backed up by a hard-working committee composed of Messrs. R. Tindall, J. Maddison, W. Curry, F. Wymouth, A. Holden, C. G. Petterson, C. Farrer, W. Espe, and Mr. J. Craig. Mr. F. W. Laidlow, as show manager, did his work well, everything going off without a hitch, and credit for hard work and patience must be given to Mr. J. W. Reed, the popular sec., who got through a trying time previous to and during the show with marvellous ability. The Vice of St. Wilfred's, the Rev. Mr. Taylor, who took a great interest in the show, entertained the judges, secretary and show manager to a substantial dinner. Judges were: Messrs. T. Dixon (Bedlington), Nor. and Crests; Mr. T. Robson (Newcastle), Bord.; and Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland), Yorks., Mules, Brit. and For.

NOR. YELL. (13): 1, he, Pyman, nice size, grand shape red-hot col., good head and neck; 2, 4, Laidlow, plenty of size, grand shape, not so rich in col.; 3, Holden, hot col., grand shape, trifle longer behind; vhc, Wellsbury; c, McGinn. BUFF (10): 1, 4, Kemerson, nice size, grand shape, good col. and qual., nice head, neck, and chest; 2, Pyman, hardly so deep in chest, good col. and qual.; 3, McGinn, bit longer, good col. and qual., nice shape; vhc, c, Holden; he, McKay. HEN, YELL. (8): 1, Laidlow, grand shape, rich col. and qual., sweet head and neck, clean cut; 2, he, Holden, grand shape, hot col., grand feather, clean cut; 3, Morrison, hardly so deep in chest, nice head, good col. and qual.; 4, no name; vhc, Lindsay; c, McKay. BUFF (10): 1, Coutts, cl. buff, grand shape, short and cobby, nice col. and qual., good head, neck and chest; 2, Wellsbury, grand shape, lovely col. and qual., sweet head and neck, clean cut, not much to choose; 3, Laidlow, fine shape, neat head; 4, Morrison; vhc, Holden; he, Curry; c, Pyman. YELL. 1914 (11): 1, Morrison, grand shape, good head, neck, and chest, hot col., grand qual. and feather; 2, Laidlow, grand size and shape, red-hot col., fine qual.; 3, Wellsbury, bit longer, nice shape, hot col., fine qual.; 4, McKay; vhc, he, McGinn; c, Fletcher. BUFF (18): 1, 1, Morrison, nice size, lovely shape, red-hot col., grand chest and back, neat head, lovely wings and tail; 2, c, McGinn, fine shape, good col. and qual., beautiful carried wings and tail; 3, Holden, fine size and shape, short and thick-set; 4, Ender; vhc, Fletcher; he, Page. HEN, YELL. 1914 (10): 1, 2, McGinn, grand size and lovely shape, fine chests and backs, leader excels in col.; 3, Morrison, nice size and very shapely, trifle longer, nice col. and qual.; 4, Fletcher; vhc, Morrison; he, Kemerson; c, Coutts. BUFF (7): 1, he, Morrison, fine shape, rare size, neat head and chest, grand wings; 2, McGinn, hardly the col., but equal size and shape; 3, Kemerson, good shape and size, neat head; 4, Fletcher; vhc, Lindsay; c, Wellsbury. NOV. CK. (16): 1, Richardson, medium size, grand shape, red-hot col., neat head, clean cut away; 2, Bird, short and thick-set, neat head and neck, not so rich in col.; 3, he, Reid, fine size and shape, nice col., gets wings over a bit; 4, Lumley; vhc, Bell; c, Page. HEN (9): 1, he, Page, nice shape, good size, grand col. and qual., clean cut; 2, no name, good size and shape, nice head, good col. and qual.; 3, Bird, not so stoutly built, nice shape, good col. and qual.; vhc, Wood; c, Hyslop. CINN. YELL. (2): 1, Coutts, nice shape and col., red hot; 2, Armstrong, nice shape and size, not the col. of leader. BUFF (2): 1, 2, Armstrong, nice ones, leader excels in finish. YELL. 1914 (1): 1, Coutts, nice size, shape and col. BUFF (1): 1, Coutts, big one, nice level col. CREST CK. (7): 1, challenge cup, Dobson, var. D.C., magnificent crest, grand size and shape, fine droop and density, neat centre and finish; 2, Mr. T. Taylor, foul gr., grand crest for size and shape, well radiated, not so well finished behind; 3, Dickenson Bros., wing mtd., grand shape and droop, not so dense in feather; 4, he, Marshall; vhc, Forster; c, Gillespie. HEN (6): 1, Dobson, cl. body, grizzle crest, nice size and shape, good droop, fine centre and finish; 2, 3, 4, Dobson and Son, grand team, 2nd varieg., grand shape and droop, nice centre, 3rd not so massive but very neat; vhc, Marshall; he, Dickenson Bros. C.B. CK. (6): 1, 4, Armstrong, varieg., leading, wonderful skull, grand size and width, heavily clothed; 2, Dobson, varieg., not so wide in front, plenty of good feather; 3, Dobson and Son, foul gr., smaller built, plenty of good feather; vhc, Mrs. T. Taylor; he, Forster. HEN (4): 1, Dobson, cl., grand one all over wonderful skull properties, grand width, well lashed; 2, Armstrong, varieg., not so bold or massive in head, yet a good one; 3, Mrs. T. Taylor, varieg., smaller, nice flow of feather; 4, Gillespie. CREST, H14 (14): 1, Tate, varieg., D.C. nice size and shape, good droop, radiating from a neat centre, well finished; 2, he, Armstrong, equal shape and size, grand droop and density, not so rich in centre; 3, Dickenson Bros., wing mtd., big body, nice neat crest; 4, c, Mrs. T. Taylor; vhc, Dobson and Son. C.B. (11): 1, 3, vhc, Dobson, nice team, leader, cl. body, grand skull, bread and massive, grand rise and entrance, well lashed; 3, varieg., good skull, well domed, nice rise and lash, good feather; 2, Armstrong, varieg., nice rise, carries a grand ovallow; 4, c, Mrs. T. Taylor; he, Dickenson Bros. NOV. CREST (2): 1, Red (th. neat, sharp by col.), C.B. (2): 1, Tate, nice size, good skull. SCOTCH FANCY, YELL. CK. (1): 1, 2, 3, Chapman, nice team, leader, cl. in size and drive, good shoulders, nice col. and qual. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, Chapman, good team, leader, nice size and drive, gets tail well up; HEN (1): 1, 2, 3, Chapman, another nice lot, leader excels in drive and reach, very pretty.

were as follows:—HORD. YELL. CK. (13): 1, 3, Nicholson and Son; 2, Wilson; 4, Chapman; vhc, Smith; he, Graham; c, Patterson. BUFF (14): 1, 4, Espe; 2, Patterson; 3, Johnstone; vhc, Wilson; he, Nicholson; c, Graham. YELL. HEN (14): 1, vhc, Espe; 2, 3, Nicholson; 4, Affleck; he, c, Johnston. BUFF (15): 1, 2, 4, vhc, Espe; 3, Patterson; he, Wilson; c, Chapman. YELL. GR. (11): 1, vhc, Johnston; 2, Greenwell; 3, Affleck; 4, Nicholson; he, Johnston; c, Graham. BUFF (14): 1, Smith; 2, Young; 3, vhc, Johnston; 4, Cosar; he, Greenwell; c, Graham. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Affleck; 2, 5, Johnston; 4, he, Montgomery; vhc, Parker; c, Farrer. HEN (10): 1, 3, c, Johnston; 2, Affleck; 4, Greenwell; vhc, Montgomery; he, Cosar; c, CINN. YELL. (8): 1, Chapman; 2, Smith; 3, Patterson; 4, Nicholson; vhc, he, Johnston; c, Farrer. BUFF (6): 1, Patterson; 2, Chapman; 3, Johnston; 4, he, Farrer; vhc, Smith. NOV. BORD. CK. (8): 1, Wilson; 2, c, Reed; 3, 4, he, Smith; vhc, Affleck. HEN (9): 1, he, c, Smith; 2, Affleck; 3, 4, vhc, Reed.

YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, Cattell, fine length, well up, clean on breast, neat head, good wings and tail; 2, 3, 4, Crawhall, nice team, leader red hot col., slim and well drawn; 3, wing tkl., nice length and pos.; vhc, he, Pyman. BUFF (15): 1, 2, Coulson, leader, good length, fine pos., neat head, good shoulders and waist; 2, hotter col., not quite the length, nice pos., slim and close feathered, nice carriage; 3, Cattell, nice one, good length, nice pos. and feather; 4, c, Crawhall; vhc, Tindale; he, Stewart. HEN, YELL. (11): 1, Stewart, gem all over, nice length, straight up, grandly rounded, neat head, lovely wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; 2, Pyman, longer, nice pos., hardly so well rounded, or so hot in col.; 3, Tindale, nice length and pos., nice col.; 4, vhc, Crawhall; he, Kemerson; c, Pyman; E. E. BUFF (9): 1, vhc, he, Crawhall, leader, topper all over, nice length, straight as a rule, well rounded, nice col. and qual.; 2, Stewart, not quite so erect, nice length, grandly finished; 3, Tindale, nice col. and qual., neat head and grand wings and tail; 4, Coulson; c, Pyman. H. D. YELL. 1914 (1): 1, Cattell, good length, nice pos., red hot, nice head and shoulders, neat wings and tail; 2, Stewart, nice length and pos., neat head, nice col., good wing carriage; 3, Tindale, a nice one, good length and pos.; 4, he, Crawhall; vhc, Kemerson; c, Lyall. BUFF (14): 1, 3, vhc, Stewart, leader, nice length, well up on grand legs, neat head and shoulders finely drawn, good col. and qual.; 3, nice pos., neat head, good wings and tail, paler col.; 2, Coulson, nice length, gets well up, neat shoulders and waist, nice col. and qual.; 4, E. E. Pyman; he, Smith; c, Tindale. NOV. YELL. (13): 1, Natrass, cl., good length, nice pos., hot col. and qual., neat wings and tail; 2, Willis, Cinn. mtd., nice length, well up, neat head and shoulders, not much to choose; 3, Gregory, cl., nice length and pos., neat head, loses in col.; 4, Fullerton; vhc, Smith; he, c, Heddley. BUFF (8): 1, Robinson, grand length nice pos., neat head, shoulders and waist, good col. and qual.; 2, Natrass, not quite so long, but equal 2nd, nice col. and qual., neat head, good carriage; 3, Smith, nice pos. and well finished; 4, Witherley; vhc, Heddley; he, Baxter; c, Smith. HEN (13): 1, Smith, built, bit pale in col., but nice length and pos., neat head, well drawn, good wings and tail; 2, he, Witherley, varieg., yell. one, good length and pos., neat head and shoulders, good carriage; 3, Heddley, nice length, well up, not so neat in head, nice qual.; 4, Robinson; vhc, Crossland; c, Willis. LIZ. CL. CAP. (3): 1, 2, Ribborough, Gold leading, nice size, neat spangle, good col. and finish; 2, Silver, nice shape and col., neat spangling; 3, Davidson, silver, not so good in col. or spangling. BROKEN (5): 1, vhc, Prector, silver, nice size and shape, good col. and spangling; 2, 3, Ribborough, gold, nice size and shape, not so bold in spangle; 3, silver, nice spangle, falls col.; 4, Davidson. DARK MULE (4): 1, Maddison, yell. Goldie-Cann, grand size, shape, and col., rich polish; 2, 3, Holden, leader, nice Siskin-Cann, good shape and col.; 3, Linnet-Cann, nice size and col.; 4, Johnston. LIGHT (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, all Maddison, a grand team, leader, grand cl. Goldie-Cann; 2, 3, lightly mtd. Greenie-Cann. DARK MULE, 1914 (4): 1, 2, Maddison, yell. Greenie-Cann, leading, nice size and shape, good col.; 2, Goldie-Greenie, nice shape and col.; 3, Greenwell, Linnet-Cann, nice size and shape; 4, no name, nice Goldie-Cann. LIGHT: 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, he, c, all Maddison, splendid team, leader, lovely cl. Goldie-Cann, fine size and shape, lovely col. in the pink, a real topper; 2, 3, lightly mtd. Goldie-Cann, not so rich in col. GOLDF. OR BULLP. (3): 1, Maddison, Goldie, grand blaze, nice tans and cond.; 2, Barkess, nice Bullie, neat shape and size, good col.; 3, Jameson and Johnson. LINNET, F.M. (4): 1, Jobbing, nice shape, size, and col., steady; 2, Maddison, nice col. and pencilling, but wild; 3, Patterson; 4, Hooper. H.M. (3): 1, Jobbing, nice size, good shape and col.; 2, no name, well pencilled, not so bold in head; 3, Maddison, nice shape, pale col. GREENP. (6): 1, Johnston, fine cobby shape, short and thick, rich col., bold head, grand cond.; 2, vhc, no name, nice shape of an ent, not so cobby, or so rich in col.; 3, Maddison, nice shape and col.; 4, Jobbing; he, Hooper. SISKIN, ETC. (6): 1, Barkers, nice one, plenty of size, nice shape and col., grand cond.; 2, Scott, another good Siskin, rich col., neat head, loses to leader in size; 3, Hooper, Redpoll, nice shape, good col. and pencilling; 4, no name; vhc, Fletcher; he, Jobbing. CHAFFINCH, ETC. (7): 1, 4, Jameson and Johnson, lovely Bramble, not a big one, grand col. and cond.; 2, c, Hooper, Chaff, nice size and shape, good head and whites; 3, no name, Bramble, nice size and col.; vhc, Patterson; he, Barkers. HEN, FINCH, OR BENTING (7): 1, Jameson and Johnson, Bullie, lovely size and shape, good col. and cond.; 2, Barkers, Bramble, nice size, good shape and col.; 3, Scott; 4, Hooper; vhc, no name; he, Page; c, Patterson. A.O.V. (2): 1, Hooper, nice Yellowhammer, good shape and col.; 2, no name, Yellowhammer, falls col. SOFTBILL (2): 1, Scott, grand Chough, lovely feather and cond.; 2, Hooper. NOV. LINNET (2): 1, 2, Reid, leader, pale col., nice size and shape; 2, similar, but wild. NOV. (4): 1, Bird; 2, 3, Hyslop. FOR. SMALL (11): 1, Paterson, nice pair, St. Helena Waxbill lovely col. and cond.; 2, 3, 4, Almond, grand team, leaders, fine pair of Cordon Bleus, in the pink; vhc, he, Vontt.

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CITY & SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Nineteenth annual show, Church Institute, Pad...
The entry was slightly less than last year, the falling off...

Mr. Nicholls put down a strong team in the A.O.V. Fly...
class, Norwich all through were a very level lot, type...

NOR. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Withers, grand birds, win...
ner very short and chubby, good head and wing...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

good type and style, nice shoulders and wings; 3...
vhe, Scudder, long and reachy, neat head, nicely...

AMAT. YELL. (5): 1, vhe, he, Sanders, good...
cap mkd., typical, nice length, clean cut, on good...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Walker, grand birds, win...
ner very short and chubby, good head and wing...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

WADEBRIDGE.

The Canary section of Wadebridge Show, Nov. 13...
was nicely arranged in the Drill Hall, in very com...

NOR. YELL. (4): 1, Howard, very typical, cl...
grand type and feather; 2, Collins, rather smaller...

AMAT. YELL. (5): 1, vhe, he, Sanders, good...
cap mkd., typical, nice length, clean cut, on good...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Walker, grand birds, win...
ner very short and chubby, good head and wing...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

AMAT. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Thurley, fine bold cl. yell...
shade long, but good head and neck, nicely rounded...

UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, 3, Martin, nice team, win...
ner quite the pick, very short thick-set yell, nicely...

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H.R., 3 Bass, 3 Sch., 2 Glucke, 2 Flutes, 2 W.O., 1...
B.T., 2 B.R., 3 G.E., total 23; 4, sp, sp, best bass...

OLD BIRDS CHAMP, Judge Mr. T. W. Walton...
(Leeds) (22): 1, sp, Pericles, line hollow roll and...

AMAT. Judge, T. W. Walton (Leeds) (16): 1, sp...
Jaquemint, excellent water Glucke, 4 H.R., 2 H.B., 3...

NOV. ANY AGE, Judge Mr. T. W. Walton (29): 1...
sp, Buffin, excellent tone, 7 H.R., 2 H.B., 5 Bass, 2...

HALIFAX C.B.S. Members' show, Nov. 5, King Cross, Bandroom...
King Cross, Halifax. 59 birds were staged. Mr. W. Cruise...

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Stobart; 2, 3...
Priestley; 4, Walsh. BUFF: 1, Stohart; 2, 3, Savile;

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the...
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PONTEFRACT. Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Nov. 11, 22 entered...
for three minutes' time singing, five seconds a...

CASTLEFORD. Linnet contest, George and Dragon Hotel, Bridge...
Street, Nov. 14; 36 birds sang. 1, Williams; 2, Wainwright;

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singing matches, 'Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Nov. 14;

Original Leeds Linnet and C.C., Albion Hotel, Saville...
Green, York Road, Nov. 14. Quality contest; 14 birds were hung;

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Original Leeds Linnet and C.C., Albion Hotel, Saville...
Green, York Road, Nov. 14. Quality contest; 14 birds were hung;

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(2): 1, Clark, big Javs, in the pink; 2, Mrs. Parry...
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- (5)—The department to which the queries refer must be stated on the left-hand corner of the query.
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- (7)—If an answer by post is desired from our specialists, a postal order for sixpence must accompany any query relating to sickness of birds, or a shilling in ordinary enquiries, with a stamped and addressed envelope in either case. Dead birds must not be sent to the office (see Post-mortems).
- (8)—All who desire letters of complaint written to advertisers must state grounds for doing so clearly and fully, and enclose a fee of sixpence. All the fees received from this source will be handed over in full to the "Referee's" Poor Children's Fund (London).
- (9)—All queries must be addressed to the Editor, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. Postcards are not admissible.

CANARY QUERISTS

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

WINTERING STOCK (Ignorant). (1) I have not the actual dimensions of the cage you name by me, but in a general way five birds are certainly too many to keep permanently through the winter in a double breeding cage, even if you have the sliding partition removed to allow them the greatest amount of space available. Three birds would be quite sufficient, and four should be the limit in all ordinary circumstances, but if the cage is a good size, say, not less than 38 inches long and 11 inches deep you might, with strict attention to cleanliness of floor space and food and water vessels, winter the five altogether in it without any very great risk. It is not likely that any serious damage will be done by quarrelling at this season. Bad birdy language may be lung about at times, but nothing more serious will happen. (2) If the room is dry and free from cold, cutting draughts there is no reason whatever why the birds should not thrive there very well all through the winter without the aid of artificial heat. In any case, as

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Battye's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ransden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nuthatch" booklets (2d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Robber," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

long as the normal temperature keeps somewhere about 45 degrees there is no necessity at all for increasing it.

SOUNDS LIKE MOANING (J. M., Glasgow).—The bird is probably suffering from a slight catarrh. Keep it in a comfortable and fairly equable temperature for a month, but do not overheat it. In addition to the usual seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for a fortnight, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre. Glad to hear previous advice was so successful.

DRIPPING AGAIN (Roathite).—I'm afraid it is as I suspected—that the bird is in an advanced stage of bronchial trouble and really past any hope of being cured. The most you can expect to accomplish is to ward off the exciting causes which aggravate the condition, and alleviate the symptoms when a relapse occurs. If the cold wave prevailing where I am writing this has visited your district that is quite sufficient to account for this relapse, and you will find the bird similarly affected by any future change of a like nature, until one day the end will arrive quite unexpectedly. All you can do is to keep the bird in a warm temperature, which is as equable as possible, and protect it as far as possible from the effect of such changes, and when any relapse occurs treat it as advised in last reply until the symptoms have abated. For the next fortnight give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it every second day, and on the alternate days give 20 drops of chemical food in the drinking water.

EFFECT OF STEAM (Anxious).—Frequent or prolonged exposure to steam would certainly prove prejudicial to the well-being of the birds, and probably throw them into a "soft moult," when they would be constantly casting a few small feathers. But if the heating of the copper is quite temporary, not oftener than twice a week, and the scullery is sufficiently ventilated to carry away the steam quickly, without setting up undue draughts in the cages, I do not anticipate any serious trouble with the birds on that account. It is, however, a risky position for the birds, and you will need to keep a close watch over their condition, and also see that the above conditions are observed as far as possible.

STILL BREATHES HEAVILY (H. R.).—(1) The bird seems very like falling into a condition of chronic bronchitis. See reply to "Roathite" in this issue, and act generally upon the advice given therein. Keep bird in a warm temperature, but do not overheat it, well-aired and equable; give a little prepared sponge cake as advised in

the reply referred to, but instead of the chemical food get a chemist to mix for you two drachms each of oxymel of squills and glycerine; one drachm each of tincture of lobelia and ipecac. wine, and ten grains of iodide of potassium, and give 20 drops of this in the water every second day. Continue this treatment for a fortnight, and if no material improvement has taken place you may safely assume that its career of usefulness is past. In any case I would not advise you to breed with it. (2) Give the Norwich hen half a teaspoonful of sponge cake prepared as for the above every second day for a week or fortnight, as may seem necessary, and on the alternate days add to the drinking water four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of catnaba, and aromatic sulphuric acid.

NORWICH OFF SONG (T. J.).—You should have said how you have been treating the bird and where you keep it. I suspect its condition is largely, perhaps wholly, due to improper treatment, especially in the matter of being kept in unsuitable surroundings, probably exposed to cold draughts or impure and heated air. See that it is kept in a bright and healthy place, in a fairly equable temperature, which need not be overheat, and do not allow it to hang near a window, nor near or over a burning light in the evenings. In addition to the staple seed diet give a morsel of bread and milk with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion on it and sprinkled with soft sugar every second day for two or three weeks. On the alternate days give a morsel of banana, or a spray of watercress, but be careful that the latter is not frosted. In the drinking water add five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine, and sweet spirit of nitre every second day for a week. In the next week give instead 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the above in the same order.

EFFECT OF DAMP (A. Horton).—There cannot be the slightest doubt that the dampness of the room is the cause of the birds all going wheezy. The only rational remedy for the trouble would be to remove the birds to a drier room, as you did last year. But if this is not possible you should endeavour to discover the real source of the damp, which may be quite unconnected with the water tank, although the latter may add its share to the condition, and if possible remove the cause. As you say the room is about 50 degrees in temperature, I doubt whether the use of an oil stove would make matters better. The room is quite warm enough for anything now, and an oil stove, even if it removed the damp must naturally raise the temperature to an altogether unnecessary degree, besides adding risks of its own. You might do worse than look well into the ventilation of the room, as this may be a contributory cause of the damp condition. If you fail to remedy the condition, and cannot remove the birds to any other room, you might try a small stove, or better still, if you have gas available, a small portable hot-water coil, but you must endeavour to maintain an equable temperature, and you should not get it above 55 degrees if you can avoid it. You will also need to see that the air is completely changed at least twice a day, but at same time draughts must be avoided. Scrupulous cleanliness and constant watchfulness are necessary to run an oil stove successfully without fear of accidents. Finally, if you do not find the use of a stove have the desired effect at once, my advice is to remove the birds at any cost of inconvenience, or otherwise clear out.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

AVIARY MATTERS (Constant Reader).—Yours appears to be a nice aviary, well fitted up, and the feeding arrangements quite correct. I am glad to hear your birds are doing so nicely and on friendly terms, and all the while they are healthy you may have no trouble, but I am afraid directly one shows any signs of loss of vigour you will have some difficulty with your lits, for although they are so small they can quickly brain a larger bird that is failing in health. I think you would therefore find them troublesome if any of the others attempted to breed in the spring; young helpless birds would be almost certain to be destroyed by them. Although

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nuthatch" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

you gave me a list of the birds in your aviary, you say nothing about the sex of them, so I am unable to advise you about the possibility of their breeding. Tell me more about them, and I shall be pleased to assist you or give you a list of suitable birds.

LINNET MOULTING BLACK (Novice Fancier).—Birds have been known to moult into black in captivity but it is not at all a common occurrence. An idea at one time prevailed that if a Bullfinch, for instance, was fed on hemp seed he would moult out black, but although many of them have had quite their share of hemp seed black linnets are not by any means common. If he is a good rich black colour he could be exhibited in the rare feathered class at one of the big shows.

FEEDING A NUTHATCH (Harry Kay). The Nuthatch is not a particularly difficult bird to manage, though at trouble with them is that they are so inclined to get fat. His chief food should be a good brand of insective mixture mixed with graded raw carrot. Get a good brand the same as is used for Nightingales and small Warblers. Suitable live food must also be offered according to the time of the year, also cracked nuts, sunflower and hemp seeds. After one has been caged some time you will find he is not at all particular as to food and will eat a little of nearly anything offered him. Bananas, pease, peeled grapes, etc., are grand for him, and assist to keep him in condition. Give a large cage with rough places of bark nailed on to it, he will cling to these and take exercise. Nuthatches are fond of bathing. Food and water vessels should be placed inside the cage.

STOCK MIXTURE FOR BIRDSMERS (T.H.H.).

—One of the difficulties of keeping several British birds together is finding a seed diet suitable to all. If you give a fair amount of hemp seed to the Goldfinches, the greedy Goldfinches get the majority and get terribly fat. Your best plan will be to feed them with the mixture I am now advising and occasionally catch up the Goldies for a week or so, and give them their proper diet. Make up the following: 3 parts canary, 2 tealze, 2 summer rape. Let them have this always before them. Make another mixture of niger and maw in equal quantities and add to it enough food linseed to equal both. Give this twice a week, a spoonful to each bird. On other days give the same quantity of a good wild-seed mixture which you can purchase in packets. A little sunflower should be given every day, some of which should be cracked for the benefit of the Goldies. Give good sound hemp 3 times a week. Watch the Goldies and see if they are getting their fair share of these good things, also notice if the canary seed is being consumed rather quickly, and if so, give a separate pot of it for the benefit of the Bunting. You will find this will be his favourite food. See that the water supply does not freeze up. Offer a good large piece of apple twice a week. If you get greenfood see that it is free from frost.

MULE BREEDING (G. Etherington).—If you tie a piece of string to the front bars of the Finch's cage it will probably cure him of the habit of pulling his tail feathers. He evidently wants something to amuse him. It is not absolutely necessary to let the Finches and Canaries fly together all the winter. The reason it is done is because Finches and Canaries are frequently very shy of each other, therefore they are run together to get familiar. If you let them fly in the same cage occasionally for a day or so it will do equally as well. You can put them in your double-breeder and put the wire slide between them at other times. When they are together you must give them the Finch mixture, as the Goldie will not do well on Canary seed alone if he has been used to a more generous diet. At the same time give a good supply of Canary seed, as some hens are not particularly keen on hemp and other rich seeds. A Linnet and Canary can be fed on the following mixture: 3 parts canary, 1 each of tealze and rape and 1 part linseed; a little hemp and maw occasionally. Young birds are preferred for mule breeding, but if a bird has been caged for a year or two, he seldom refuses to mate with a Canary when the nesting time arrives and he is on full song.

MULE THAT SINGS TOO MUCH (J. S.).—Canary hybrids, as a rule, are exceptionally stout songsters, and yours is only a little extra so. It is therefore quite natural for him to get excited when he hears another bird singing. You can, if you like, keep him in lower condition by feeding on plainer food, say, three parts canary and tealze, and one part rape, instead of the mixed seeds you are using; also give a liberal allowance of green food, or you could still further lower his condition by giving occasionally as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence, dissolved in his drinking water. Personally, I would much rather keep him in high fettle as he is now, and hang him out of hearing of other birds. Kindly note that queries should be accompanied with the full name and address of the querist.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

CAN I LEAVE THEM OUT? (F. E. N.).—Providing the boarding is sound, and the aviary draught-proof, the Zebra Finches should survive the winter comfortably enough. You would improve the conditions by putting glass over the west end, outside the netting, and, of course, a curtain to be let down over the open part of front each night, and this can remain down during driving rain or snow, as they would get ample light through the glass of west end. The aviary should contain about one dozen nest receptacles (rush nests, husks, and boxes), in which the birds would sleep. You could keep four pairs in it for breeding, removing the young as they are able to fend for themselves. Two pairs of Zebra Finches, and one pair each of Silverbills and Bib Finches, and for the sake of a little bright colour, a pair of common (Red) Avadavats could be added; the latter might or might not breed, but they are small, bright and vivacious, and would add life and

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (7d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nuthatch" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Care Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warblers." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

colour to the aviary. If you know anyone with an outdoor aviary, get a hen Zebra Finch and put it with the others; this is the simplest way to check the present bickering; the other birds you must not procure till the spring. When they are feeding young supply green-food ad lib., from twice daily; also a few live insects, mealworms, gentles, and live ants' eggs. Under conditions as above the birds can be left together through the winter.

ROSE FINCHES AND LOVEBIRDS (Harry Kay).—For the Finches, a mixture of canary and white millet in one hopper, and in another a mixture of hemp, tealze, rape, maw, safflower and paddy rice; also green-food, especially seeding and flowering grass, and a few insects. Rose Finches will not retain their beautiful colour in captivity (except in a roomy, natural garden aviary. As for the Lovebirds, canary, white millet, and a few oats will about meet their requirements, with such green food and fruit as they will take; birds have tastes which one must consult to some extent. In addition to the above menus, grit, cuttlebone, and water for drinking and bathing are understood. Seed-eaters when kept in cages are liable to become overfat and also constipated. The former can, to some extent, be mitigated by providing roomy cages, and the latter by observation and the giving of a mild laxative when they appear to need it. Constipation should never be allowed to become pronounced.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

Pax.—We much appreciate your kindness. James Clark.—We cannot consider the publication of your challenge unless you forward us your address.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

- Abertillery C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Prince of Wales Hotel, G. Business important.—H. H. Mortimer.
- Anneld Plain C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Mr. Hanagan's, 7.30. Important.—W. Thompson.
- Barnsley C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Important Bus.—E. Tomlinson.
- Blaydon and Dist. C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Co-op. Library, 7.30. Final arrangements for show.—G. Havver.
- Bonnyrigg C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Foresters' Arms, 7. Financial meeting, election of officers, payment of prize money; new members enrolled.—J. Stirling.
- Bradford West C.B.S.A.—Nov. 25, Shoulder of Mutton. Members' show, birds staged 7, judges Mr. J. W. Dewhurst and Mr. F. Sui; entries Tuesday night till 9.30.—F. P. Terry.
- Charlottesville and U.S.K.S.—Nov. 20, St. Luke's Institute, 8. Annual general meeting, Mr. G. Russell Cox in chair.—C. H. Pope.
- Chazler-le-Street (Amal).—Nov. 21, Dun Cow Hotel, 6. Prize money and other bus.—R. Ward.
- City and Suburban A.C.B.—Nov. 23, Church Institute, 69, Paddington St., W., 8. Essay competition on "What is your greatest difficulty when bird-breeding, and how do you solve it?" payment of prize money and presentation of special prizes.—V. Wynn.
- City of Bradford O.S.—Nov. 21, Flying Dutchman, 2.30. Members' Show, judge J. Witcock, junr., Eccleshill.—W. Helliwell.
- Coventry Godiva C.B.S.—Nov. 23, Plough Hotel, 8.30. Christmas show business and table show; two classes nuffig, yell, and unfig, bull, S.H. 10.—F. A. Green.
- Craghead C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Black Horse, 7. Stewards packing for show and other important bus.—A. Dawson.
- Darlington C.B.S.—Nov. 25, George Hotel, 7.30. Final arrangements Members' show; subs., etc.—H. Todd.
- Darwent Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Co-operative Hall, Low Westwood, 7.—Jameson and Johnson.
- East Ham F.S.—Dec. 23. Annual show, Harmonie Hall, Blashet Grove, East Ham, judge Mr. G. Gardner.—W. Kite.
- Eccleshill C.B.A.—Nov. 21, Fountain Inn. Members' show, judge Mr. M. Broadley, Shipley; entries day of show till 2.50, birds staged 2.30.—S. Wilcock.
- Gateshead C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Headquarters, 8. Special meeting; show bus.—W. Curry.
- Glasgow Queen's Park C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Final arrangements for annual show.—R. Haggie.
- Green Canary Assn.—Nov. 26, Oldham Hall. Schedule and classification for old show and a night show. Yorks. Gr., Yell. Cr., and Buff Hen, same Norwich and Bard. Gr., Goldf., Bullf., Bramble, Bunting, Mule or Hyb. Judges, G. Bell, C. Brotherton. Sec. would be pleased to receive subs. now overdue.—F. Handley.
- Halifax C.B.S.—Nov. 26, King Cross Band Room, King Cross, Halifax. Hen show, birds staged at 7.30, judge Mr. A. Jowett, Amblethorn.—A. Sutcliffe.
- Hebden Bridge C.B.F.A.—Nov. 24, Ye Olde Brig Cafe, 8. Entries for old bird show.—A. Roberts.
- Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, N.W. Annual show, judge J. Robson; fanciers please note.—J. Hyde.
- Houghton-le-Spring C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Queen's Head Inn, Sunderland Street, 7. Entries for annual show and other show bus.—R. H. Dixon.
- Huddersfield O.S.—Nov. 23, Headquarters, 8. Open show bus.—A. Lawford.
- Islington F.A.—Nov. 23, Headquarters, 8.30. Make up classes and final arrangements for annual show.—W. T. Amery.
- Leigh C.B.S.—Nov. 25, Railway Hotel, 7.45. Entries for old show close finally at 0.—R. Charleson.
- Liverpool B.B.A.—Nov. 28, Caledonian Schools, Renshaw Street. Annual members' show; 130 classes, judges Messrs. Helliwell and Wellings.—J. Lloyd.
- Midland Roller.—Nov. 26, Seven Stars, 8. Members please bring ticket-money.—T. J. Smith.
- Middleton C.B.S.—Nov. 23, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting, schedules and entry forms ready, entries close Nov. 30.—J. Hulston.
- Newcastle East End C.B.S.—Nov. 25, at Sec.'s address, 122, Brinkburn Street, 7.30. To allot specials, etc.—J. W. Coutts.
- Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw. Table show; staged 1.30; judge, E. Dooley.—A. W. Newton.
- Richmond C.B.S. (Surrey)—Nov. 23, St. John's Hall, 8. Evening show for Dec., general bus.—G. Birch.
- Sheffield O.S.—Nov. 24, Club House, 8. Members' show and other important matters. Members please bring in or send back unsold tickets for late shows.—E. C. Job.
- South Shields.—Nov. 21, Cyprus, 7. Subs. must be paid by show.—W. L. Smith.
- Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Nov. 21, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Prize cards, ticket money; important offer by Mr. Bradley.—W. Stafford.
- Tong C.B.S.—Nov. 21. Members' show, birds staged 3, judge Mr. F. Allen, Cleckheaton.—W. Walker.
- Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Nov. 25, 8. Arrears of subs. and entry fees for both F.F. shows.—H. Watts.
- Wandsworth F.S.—Nov. 26, Sutton's Hall, Spread Eagle Yard, Wandsworth, 4 till 9. Annual members' show.—W. Lightfoot.
- Warrington C.B.S.—Nov. 26, Blue Bell Saleroom, 8. Final arrangements for open show.—G. M. Nelson.
- Wigan C.B.S.—Nov. 21, Legs of Man Hotel (inside), 8. Allotting specials, etc.—E. Ball.
- Wood Green F.F.A.—Nov. 21. Annual show, all sections, Adult School Hall, High Road, next Police Station; judge, Mr. Shakespeare, open 2 till 9; admission 3d.—T. Callegari.

J. L. Smith.—It has been held over solely because of the pressure on our space of the reports of open shows.

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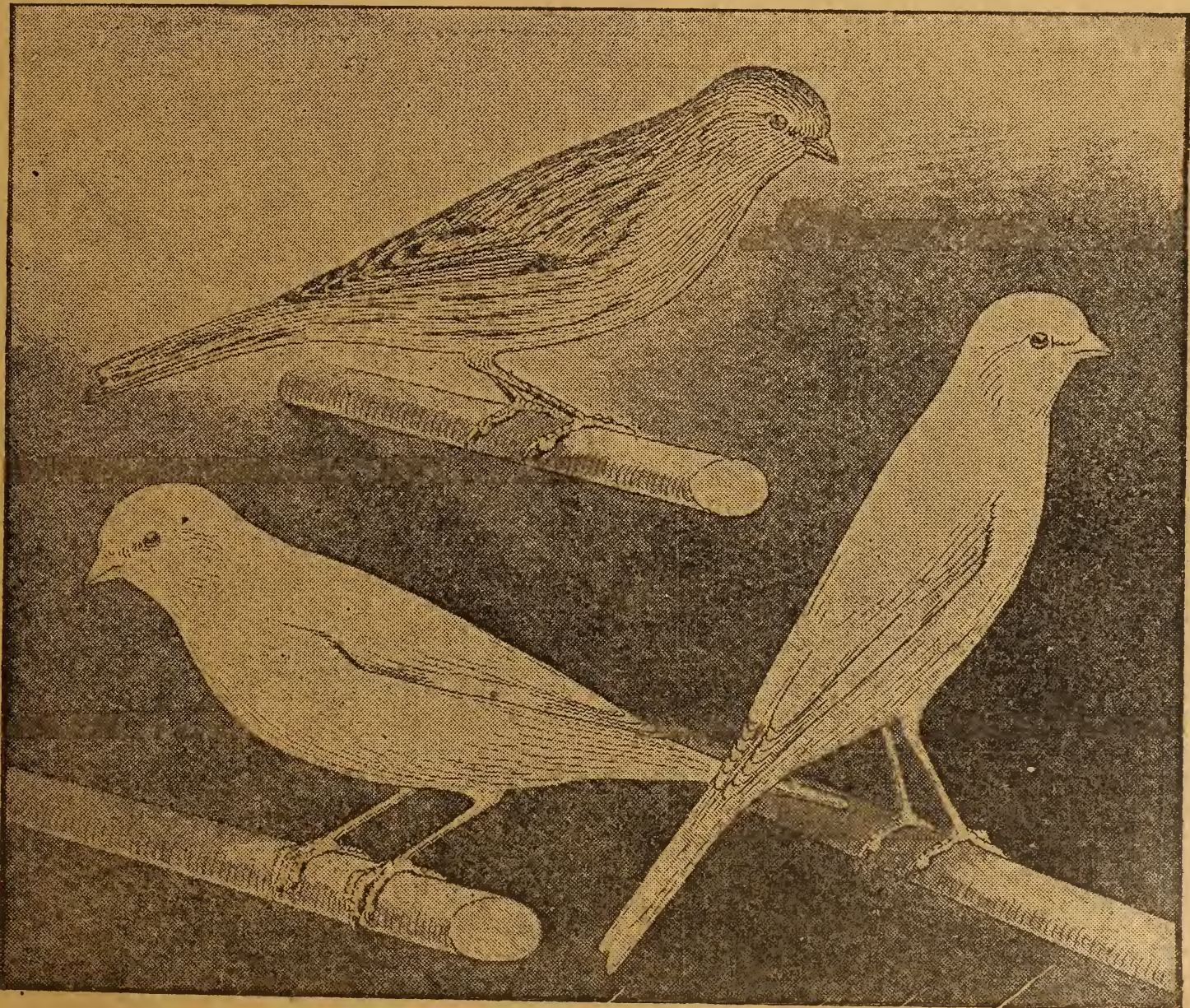
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THE ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS," 154, FLEET STREET, LONDON, E.C.

TRY my special singing mixture, drives Linnets and Finches mad on song, 1/- large package, carriage paid: Cooper, Seedsman, Princess-st., Manchester. (1894) RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, 3/6 dozen; Goldfinches, 2/- each; picked cock Chaffinches, Greenfinches and Yellowhammers, 6d. each; or exchange Linnets, Mules: Rutter, Aviaries, Littleport. (1894) BIRD nets, all complete, poles, pegs, lines, carrying bag; 9ft. by 4ft. 3/6, 12ft. by 4ft. 5/6, 15ft. by 4ft. 5/6, 24ft. by 4ft. 7/6; old firm; satisfaction guaranteed; list 1d.: Young, Net Manufacturer, Crewkerne, Somerset. (1738) SCANDINAVIAN Bullfinches, in grand health and feather, real giants, all kept in outdoor aviaries, over 200 in stock; cocks or hens, 3/6, 4/6; selected birds, 5/6, 6/6; best hybrid breeders living: Day, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (1896) LINNETS, Linnets, warranted cock Brown Linnets. —I have some grand young early birds, well on seed, for show or song, plenty in stock, no waiting; postcard before bird; 2/6 dozen; selected, 3/-: Harry Cope, 13, Red-st., Nottingham. (183.) LINNETS, Lancashire dark brown red-breasted cocks, 8d. each, three 1/6, six 2/6, 4/- dozen, two 7/6; this is where the singers come from; satisfaction guaranteed; (not a bird shop): Gardner, Garstang-rd., Wesham, Lancashire. (1900) CONTEST Linnet, sing day or gaslight, taught under my cup winner, 2/6; with beautiful singing cage, 1/- extra; a few extra loud-voiced birds, sing anywhere, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; cash or deposit: Fred. Allen, Linnet Champion, Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (1900)

LOOK! Look! Look! Linnets, Linnets, Linnets. I have the finest stock of Linnets in the South, warranted cocks, well on seed, 3/- dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; all kinds of British always in stock; dealers supplied: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1893) LEITH winners for sale: Redpoll, 1st, 10/-; Yellow Bunting, 1st, 12/6; Redstart, 1st, 15/-; Blackcap, 4th, 12/6; British Goldie, 1st, 15/-; Twite, 3rd, 7/6; Bramble, 3rd, 10/-; all house moulted, in rare order; Siskin Mule, 4th, 7/6 (yellow): Watson, 58, Colinton-rd., Edinburgh. (1889) EXHIBITORS, specially selected exhibition specimens, for keener competition, cocks Bullfinch, 5/-; Linnet, 3/6; Twite, 3/6; Greenfinch, 3/-; Lesser Redpoll, 3/-; Chaffinch, 3/-; hen Goldfinch, 2/-; hen Redpoll, 1/6; approval: Ross, Aviaries, Forbes, N.B. Canaries taken. (1898) EXHIBITORS; Welsh cock Goldfinches, real topers, the right sort for show or muling, 3/6 and 5/- upwards; few at 2/-; hens, 9d.; also specially selected cock Bullfinches, real gems, 2/- and 3/-; hens, 1/-; caged weeks: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1900) LOVERS of Chaffinches should read what H. J. Fulljames says about them. "Nutshell No. 13," 2jd. post free, tells you all you need know concerning the successful keeping of these birds. From: CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents, see list on another page.)

WITNES, Linnets, guaranteed strong, healthy, rose-breasted cock Linnets and red-rump cock Twites, either 2/6 doz, picked 3/-; few outstanding cocks, well laced and pencilled, selected from hundreds for exhibition, 1/6 each, three 4/-: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford, Bow. (1891) BIRD-CATCHERS, splendid invention; no brace bird required; stuffed safety decoy; moves on first-stick on balanced spring; most perfect decoy advertised; Linnets, 2/6; Goldfinches, 3/-; bird and fittings complete; plenty in stock; other Finches to order: Hipperson, Waveney Wharf, Beccles. (1840) NORTH Country Linnets. Specials, picked out on seed and water and cocks, 1/- each, 3 for 2/-; cock Goldfinches and Bullfinches, a few grand birds; cocks 2/6; hen Bullfinches, 1/3; 10 days approval; cash or deposit; noted for honest dealing: Ashton, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (1890) GREENFINCHES are very charming birds, but they need great care. "The Greenfinch" Nutshell booklet gives full directions as to the treatment of these birds, and we shall be pleased to send you a copy post free upon receipt of 2jd. Write Publisher, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1892) BULLFINCHES, large cocks, 1/6; some real topers, fit for show bench, 2/6; hens, 1/- for hybridising, as large as Germans, 2/- each; also four marked cock Goldfinch mules, 6/- each, Finch notes, hens 1/- each; two Greenfinch mules, one cock, one hen, 4/- pair; or exchange large Goldfinches: Lockett, 74, Peel-st., Dred-n, Longton, Staffs. (1893) OXEYE Tits, Blue Tits, Robins, Bramblefinches, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Linnets, Twites, Redpolls, Yellowhammers, Reed Buntings, 1/- pair; 24 mixed aviary birds, 1/6; brighter mixed, 1/- dozen; above selected cocks, 1/- each; muling Goldfinches, 2/- each; exchange Canaries or Mules: Fenn and Son, Bowers Lane, Isleham, Cambs. (1900) BRAMBLEFINCHES ready for exhibiting, 5/-, 7/6 each; Greenfinches, 2/6; Chaffinches, 2/6; Twite, 5/-; Goldfinches, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-; Redpolls, 2/6; Linnets, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; Bullfinches, 5/-, 7/6; all house-moulted and many of them fit to win in keen competition; great sacrifice, room wanted: 24 hours approval: Cottingham, 9, Peveril-st., Nottingham.

TRAP cages, all soldered, punch bar tops, made to catch birds, not to scare them; single 8d., double 1/3, triple 2/-; self-acting spring net traps, 2 and 2/6 each; Chaffinches, Yellowhammers, Redpolls, Bramblefinches, Twites, Blue Tits, Great Tits, Greenfinches, picked birds 1/- each, 3 for 2/-; exchange for wild seed: G. Ashton, Catcher, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (1890) "THE Siskin, Redpoll and Twite." This handy little booklet contains much valuable information as to the management of Siskins, etc., and if you possess or intend to purchase any of these birds you should have a copy by you for reference. The price is only 2jd., post free.—write, The Publisher, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1890) WARRANTED cocks; Linnets, 2/6 dozen; selected, 3/- dozen; Yellow Buntings, 3/- dozen; Bramblefinches, 3/- dozen; Greenhammers, 1/- dozen; cocks, selected for show, Goldnack, 3/6; large Corn Buntings, 2/6; Chaffinch, Greenhammer, Bramblefinch, Linnet, Redpoll, Twite, Reed Bunting, 1/- each; 20 mixed seed-eaters, 12 brighter mixed, 1/-; well on food; exchange Mules: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcuff Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (1890) CATCH your own. Large tubular compartment trap cage, call bird, and small tin hmc, only 1/3 lot; Linnet, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Redpoll, Yellowhammer, or Twite, in new cage, only 1/-; larger sorts, 1/6; skylark and cage, 1/6; home bred singing Hartz cocks, 5/- each; hens 2/-; likely show specimens cheap; trade supplied; correspondence solicited; satisfaction guaranteed: Lammister, Catcher, 24, Fendle-st., Burley. (1899) NOTICE: Cocks, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, 2/-; Red-breasted Linnets, Redpolls, Chaffinches, Yellowhammers, Skylarks, 6d. each, 12 for 3/6; Greenfinches, 3d.; Thrushes, Blackbirds, 1/-, 1/6; above hens half-price; birds for showing, muling, or full song, 6d. extra; note, out catching every day. I have a large quantity to select from; approval, deposit: Gould, Birdcatcher, Holdford-rd., Witton, Birmingham. (1897) HYBRID breeders; following likely birds: large, aviary-moulted, perfect show condition: Hens—hand-reared Bullfinch (nestmate cock first Hanley), 6/-; Greenfinch, Canary-reared, 2/-; Chaffinch, 2/-; three Redpolls, guaranteed hens, 2/6 each; fine Pea-throated cock Goldfinch, 7/6; also field-moulted Redpolls, select-d cocks, 6d. each, three for 1/-; pairs, 9d.; approval: Bowdidge, Stone, Staffs. (1894) FIRST-CLASS exhibition specimen, very large light cock Linnet mule, Norwich type, winner, 15/-; large Greenfinch-Redpoll hybrid, colour-fed, can win anywhere, 15/-; light cock Goldfinch mule, Finch song, 10/6; monster cock Bramblefinch, grand colour, nicely brambled, 3/6; and an extra good British cock Goldfinch, square blaze, nicely tanned and buttoned, 3/6; also extra good British cock Bullfinch, can win in keen competition, 5/6; large Norwich type cock Linnet, grandly pencilled, 3/6; exchange entertained: Day, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (1896) LINNETS: Linnets!! Linnets!!—Own caught, trained contest singers, real stormers. A great secret is laid bare to lovers of these popular Britishers, which will enable them to rear real stormers. Linnet fanciers, there is a matter that requires dealing with caution; there is a very bad habit, which your pets may have, which must be overcome. Get that "Linnet Nutshell" at once. No. 2, price 2jd. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. (1890) ENGLISH cock Goldfinch, with splendid deep square cut blaze, giant, win anywhere, 3/6; another good coloured one, in full song, 3/-; Norwich type cock Linnet, perfect in size, markings, and colour, 2/6; gen Redpoll, winner, 2/-; cock Twite, stormer, 2/-; cock Chaffinch, like paint, 1/6; monster Greenfinch, win anywhere, 2/6; two house-moulted cock Bramblefinches, colour-fed, finger-tame, largest I have ever seen, win anywhere, none better under wires, 7/6, 10/6 each; any on approval willingly; cash or deposit: Fred. Allen, British Bird Champion, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1900) LOOK! Double barred, square or round top cages, large size, 4/6 dozen; large size all-wire, square or round, 4/- dozen; large single traps, call bird under, trap on top, 6/- dozen; double traps, round or square, or round top in middle, trap each end, the best ever invented, 1/- each, or 10/- dozen; hundreds stocked; call cages 3/6 dozen; hundreds Red-breasted cock Linnets, 4/- dozen; some full song, 1/- each, or three 2/6; muling or picked for showing, 1/- each; Redpolls, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, 1/- pair; cock Goldfinches, full song, 2/3 each: W. Darby, 41a, Spon-lane, West Bromwich. (1892) EXHIBITORS: C. Nicholls, 41, Clarendon-rd., Higher Crumpsall, Manchester, offers tip-top Goldie, extra size, wonderful blaze, body colour, and well buttoned, can trouble the best, 8/6; Yellow Bunting, a marvel for size, colour, and markings, a gem, 8/6; Redpoll, extra size, colour and markings, splendid bib, 5/-; Linnet, big bold bird, well pencilled, a winner, 6/-; Greenfinch, extra size, deep colour and good wing bars, 7/6; Siskin, winner every time shown, extra colour, splendid bib and cap, wing markings and flanks lacing, 20/-; hen Bullie, the best ever caged, size, colour, cap and wing bars perfect, 7/6; the above are tip-top specimens, correct Norwich type, and can win in keenest competition, and nothing better can be had; description guaranteed; approval, cash or deposit. (1895)

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THE ADVERTISEMENT MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS," 154, FLEET STREET, LONDON, E.C.

GRAND CHANCE 1914 English cock Goldfinch, 2/-, three 4/6, six 8/-; special selected cock Goldfinch, in full colour, ready for showing, 2/6, 3/-, three 5/6, six 10/-; hens, 1/-, three 2/6; cock Bullfinch, 1/6, 2/-, three 4/-; hens, 1/-, 1/3, three 2/6; selected cock Bullfinch, for showing, 3/- each; Lancashire cock Linnet, 8d., three 1/6, six 2/3, 4/- dozen; selected for showing, 1/-; 1/6; cock Larks, 6d., three 1/3, six 1/3, 3/- dozen; singing cock Larks and cage, 1/6; best birdie, 7d. 4-lb., 1/- 4-lb., 1/8 lb., postage free: Matt. Hopkins, Bird Specialist, 11, Fyde-st., Preston, Lancashire. (1900)

Goldfinches, Giant English Cock Goldfinches, the finest that can be found in the length and breadth of England, every bird fit to win in the keenest of competition, and as big as Siberian, Goldfinches, and warranted sure mules and prize takers, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6 each, or 2 for 8/-, cash or deposit at "Cage Birds": Power and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. Est. a century. (1901)

NOTICE.—£100 REWARD To any judge, exhibitor, breeder, catcher, or dealer who can prove that we send out hens for cocks, or fresh caught birds. Notice, giant dark brown rose-breasted cock Linnets, every bird warranted, sure prize-takers and mulers, prices 8d., 10d., 1/- ea., 3 for 1/6, 6 for 2/3, 12 for 4/-, 4 dozen 14/-; hens, 1/- dozen. English cock Meadow Larks, sure contest singers, 8d., 10d., 1/- each, 6 for 2/6, 4/- dozen, 4 dozen 14/-; hens, 1/- dozen; cock Bramblefinches, in grand plumage and condition, warranted sure prize-takers, 1/-, 1/6, 2/- each; giant cock Siskins, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each; hens, 1/-, 1/6 each, cash or deposit "Cage Birds"; no connection with anyone trading in similar or same names: Powers and Russell, 10, Granby Place, Bethnal Green, London. (1901)

THE RIGHT STUFF Beautiful cock Linnet, singing, 1/- each, 3 2/6; a few for the bench, 2/- each; some good catching birds, 6/- each; English Peartree cock Goldfinches, 2/6 each; a few real topers, 3/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed: W. Johnson, The Bird Expert and Zooparium, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1876)

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Softbills.

SELECTED cock Thrushes, 1/- each: William Wright, 54, Shellfield-rd., Marshside, Southampton. (1891) LARKS, Larks, grand cock Larks, 2/3 dozen; can supply weekly: G. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris, Cambs. (1896) DEVONSHIRE Woodlarks, warranted cocks, 2/- each: William Marles, jun., 19, Dean-st., Crediton, Devon. (1892) SPLENDID hand-reared cock Lark, sings daylight or gaslight, cage, 3/6: Hope, 270, Great Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1841) HANDREARED cock Skylark, singing daylight and gaslight, bird and cage, 3/6: T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., Bromwich. (1892) WARRANTED loud singing cock Skylarks, singing day and gaslight, 2/6 each, with cage: Cooper, Seedsman, Princess-st., Manchester. (1894) LOUDEST cock Skylark ever heard, been caged 12 months, 1/-; also young hand-reared cock, 9d.; approval anywhere: George Holt, Dunstable. (1895) DEVONSHIRE Woodlarks, warranted cocks, in song, 3/6; others 2/- each; hens 8/- doz n; exchange house-moulted cock Goldie: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1890) WOODLARKS, cocks, coming on song, 2/6, three 7/-; hens, 9/- dozen; Norwich cock Canaries, full song, 4/6 each; approval: Squire, 2, Diamond-rd., Exeter. (1897)

LARKS! Larks! Large upstanding cock Larks, not to be beaten in size and quality, 2/6 dozen; dealers, fanciers supplied: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (1892)

LARKS: Perkin's Aviary, Chatteris, can supply any quantity; cock Larks, 2/6 dozen; cock Goldfinches, well on seed, 2/6 each; hens, 1/- each. Don't forget the old firm. (1895)

WHAT offers nearly new Lark net and poles, full size, and two clean mounted call bird Goldfinches, full song; sale or exchange pullets: Chris. Hatton, 51, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1893)

TO exhibitors: Cock Dipper, 10/-; cock Grey Wag-tail, 7/6; pair Blue Tits, 2/6 pair; Greater Tits, 2/6; cock Robin, 2/-; Lesser Redpoll, 2/6; hen Haw-finch: Wm. Roper, 109, South-st., Kelghley. (1898)

SKYLARKS, Skylarks, healthy specimens, in song, for shows and contest singing. Learn how to obtain them and keep them. "Nutshell No. 3" tells you. 23d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list frequently published).

FINE hand reared Green Woodpecker, 35/-; ditto Wren, 30/-; adult cock Black Redstart, 30/-; Goldencrest, gem, 25/-; Treecreeper, perfect, 25/-; Bearded Tits, fit to win, 20/- pair; Long-tailed Tits, ditto, 10/- pair; cock Nuthatch, very fine, 10/-; Frost, 13, Fairlawn-aven., Chiswick, London. (1886)

THE Song Thrush and Blackbird.—Full directions how to keep these favourite songsters in the best possible condition; together with directions for hand rearing the young and the selection of show birds, will be found in "Nutshell No. 4," 23d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154 Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list published frequently).

Miscellaneous.

FEW good Britishers for sale; state wants; stamp reply: Gentleman, Avonbridge, Strilingshire. (1900)

WARRANTED cock Linnets and Larks, well on seed, 3/- doz.: John Biggs, London-rd., Dunstable. (1893)

TWO Twites, two Siskins, two Lesser Redpolls, house mounted, show specimens, winners, what offers lot or separate: Robert Cameron, Ben Nevis Buildings, Fort William. (1894)

LINNETS, warranted cocks, 3/- dozen; cock Goldfinches, 1/6 each, three 4/- dozen; mixed aviary birds, including cock Goldfinch, 2/6: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Honiton. (1890)

COMPULLED to clear Britishers, breeding Linnet, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Lesser Redpoll, Reed Buntings; all show cages and cases; state wants; stamp for reply: Lowne, Naturalist, Great Yarmouth. (1891)

RED-BREADED cock Linnets, three for 1/3, 4/- dozen; warranted cock Larks, biggest and best, three for 1/-, 2/6 dozen; Blackbird, Thrushes, Yellowhammers, three for 2/-; well on food; no waiting: J. Whiteley, Boston-rd., Holbeach. (1900)

LINNETS, Linnets, Linnets, Larks, Larks, Larks. Warranted cock Linnets, 3/6 dozen, five dozen 15/-; hen Linnets, 1/3 dozen; cock Larks, 3/- dozen; hen Larks, 1/6 dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; clap nets for sale, all sizes: John Boxall, 5, Lavender-st., Brighton. (1890)

COCK Goldfinches, 2/-, hens 1/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/-, hens 1/-; cock Linnets, 1/-, 3 for 2/6; cock Larks, 1/-; cock Woodlarks, 2/6, hens 1/6; cock Redpolls, 9d., hens 6d.; cock Yellowhammers, 1/-; cock Chaffinches, 1/-; Barbary Doves, 2/6 pair; mixed aviary birds, 6/- dozen. For selected and exhibition birds, see special list free: Walsh, Bird specialist, Blackburn. (1900)

COMPULSORY SALE.

I have my brother's entire stock of high-class exhibition Canaries and British for disposal; also portable birdroom, aviaries and cages. Coloured-fed Yorkshires from 8/- pair; two splendid house-mounted Bearded Reedings, 15/- each; exhibition colour-fed Chaffinch, 10/-; cock Siskin, muler, 6/-; hen, 2/-; muling Goldfinches, 7/-; sixteen hen Bullfinches, most nested this season, 3/- each; exhibition cock, 5/-; Lesser Redpoll, winner, 3/-; two cock Greenfinches, one muler, 4/- each; cock Black-cap, singing, exhibition form, 12/-; Lesser White-throat, 6/-; Greater White-throat, 5/-; grand cock Hawfinch, 10/-; all above guaranteed house-mounted and in excellent condition; twelve double breeding cages, 30in. long, 14in. high, 14in. deep; blue enamelled inside, black outside; loose wire fronts and partitions enamelled, 3/- each; bargains; must sell; owner serving: E. A. Morris, Judge and Exhibitor, 56, Park-rd., Ilford. (1892)

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BURTON BROS., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E. Breeders of high-class Borders, all varieties. Prices moderate; state wants.

BORDERS, cocks, 4/-, hens 2/-, 2/6; matched pairs, 5/-, all colours, cold reared, outside: Douglas, Bridge-st., Brechin. (1899)

CRAB & FINLAYSON have some grand birds for disposal, show or stock, reasonable; approval: 120, Montrose-st., Brechin. (1885)

BORDERS, real good, typical birds, on approval, cocks 4/6, 5/6, and 6/6, hens 2/-, 3/-: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forbes, N.B. (1895)

BORDERS, high-class Greens, bred from my winners; the blood you must have to win: Campbell, Ardmore, Biggar. (1890)

1914 YELLOW cocks, 4/6; yellow hens, 2/3; even-marked cocks, 5/-; buff hens, 2/-; approval: Love, Cwmmerdale, Carlisle. (1895)

BORDER show or stock birds, clears, grand marks; state wants; great bargains; approval, stamp: Craig, High-st., Brechin. (1893)

BORDERS, clears and marks; cocks from 5/-; hens from 3/-; matched pairs from 7/6: Robertson, 22, Southesk-terrace, Brechin. (1899)

BORDERS; a few good ones for disposal, for show or stock; reasonable; approval, deposit: Weir, Hamilton-place, Penicuik. (1899)

PRIZE-BRED Borders, clears and marks, cocks, 5/- to 7/6; hens, 2/6 to 5/-; matched pairs, 9/-: Irvine, 166, Montrose-st., Brechin. (1895)

BORDERS, bred from last year's winners, grand birds, typical hens 5/-, cocks 7/6 upwards: Claydon, Otlands Drive, Weybridge. (1895)

D. B. IRONS has some grand birds for sale, show or stock, clears, marks, Cinnamons, cheap; approval: Park Place, Brechin. (1899)

WILL give pair of winning Borders for yellow or buff Norwich cock, 1914, or sell 15/-; at approval both ways: G. Creswell, Adelaide-st., Chester-le-Street. (1894)

CINNAMONS, 20 for sale, pairs or single birds; state wants; see Leth show report: Buglass, 63, Lochend-rd., West, Edinburgh. (1897)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

FEW good Borders for sale, related to winners; cocks from 5/-; hens from 2/6; state wants; stamp reply: Gentleman, Avonbridge, Strilingshire. (1900)

REMARKABLY fine Border Fancies, choice selected pairs, 18/-, or 3/- with order and 3/- monthly after delivery: Walter Dandie, Osgathorpe, Sheffield. (1898)

FINE clear buff 1914 Border cock, full song, perfect condition and fit for show, 6/-, hen ditto, 3/-; approval: Pennal, Totteridge, High Wycombe, Bucks. (1888)

THREE pointed yellow cinnamon marked cock, 8/-; pink-eyed buff hen, 5/-; buff cock, 6/-; buff cinnamon cock, 8/-; buff cinnamon hen, 5/-; both bred from medal winner Avonbridge: Robt. Houston, 80, Portland-place, Hamilton. (1898)

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BELGIAN and Yorkshire cross yellow cocks and hens, buff cocks and hens: Welch, 93, Fox-rd., Sheffield. (1881)

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TWO green Cinnamon hens, one yellow Cinnamon, one buff, one Roller cock, 7/6 lot: 18, Clement-st., York. (1894)

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NOTICE, good Crest and Crestbreds for sale, or useful exchange: W. Brown, Bargate, Derby. (1895)

CRESTS and Crestbreds, cocks and hens, price reasonable; approval: Lister, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead. (1894)

CRESTS, massive, winners; cock or hen, 10/6, 20/- each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1851)

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CRESTS, Crestbreds, 30 pairs or single for sale; several fit for show; prices reasonable: Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (1896)

NOTICE, grand lot Crests and Crest-breds, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

EVINS BROTHERS can supply a few good stock Crests and Crestbreds as low as 10/- each upwards; state wants; approval: 259, High-st., Exeter. (1895)

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Lizards.

1914 LIZARDS, matched pairs, from 5/6; cocks from 7/6; hens from 3/6: H. Garside, 29, High-st., Glossop. (1900)

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TWO Green hen Canaries, small breeding cage, lot 5/-, or exchange: Anthony, 13, Laurel-rd., Cotteridge, Birmingham. (1891)

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NORWICH greens, yellows, and buffs, same mixing as my Manchester winning hen; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (1855)

STOCK and show birds, from my celebrated winners, holders of the G.C.A. cup; inspection invited; prices reasonable: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1890)

I HAVE some fine young Norwich greens for sale, type, quality, colour, fit for show or stock purposes at a very reasonable figure; also a few good Yorkshires, fit to show anywhere: F. Handley, 23, Coventry-rd., Wavertree, Liverpool. (1894)

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WANTED, Norwich cock Canaries for cash: Edmonds and Edmonds, Naturalists, Eastbourne. (1894)

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FEW colour-fed Norwich for sale, cocks from 5/6, hens 3/-; cash or deposit: Dack, Worlingham, Beccles. (1874)

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SHORT cobby clear buff hen, fed, 1st, special members', two 2nds open, 12/6: W. Dick, Torsore, Stow, Midlothian. (1898)

GRAND 1912 stock buff cock, the sort seldom offered, 45/-; approval; write now: Allsopp, 40, Bedard-rd., Cardiff. (1896)

NORWICH cocks, 7/6 to 12/-; pairs 10/-; wanted, Scotch Linnets, state price: Mains, 65, Shields-rd., S.S. Glasgow. (1898)

A few left for disposal; cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/6; approval: Smedley, 83, Royston-aven., Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (1888)

FROM Palace show birds, Norwich cocks, 7/6, hens 3/-, seen by appointment: Fabris, 15, Hyde Park Mansions, N.W. (1899)

BUFF cock, 6/6; 2 buff hens, 5/- each, from winners; approval: B. Blackburn, 13, Cardigan-avenue, Clitheroe, Lancs. (1895)

SHOW and stock birds, 1913-14, clear and greens, cheap to clear, stamp reply: Hutton, Ivytea, Lambert, Strilingshire. (1861)

THREE good pairs Norwich, 8/- pair; cold-room bred, colour-fed; bargains, genuine: Walsh, 33, Lydia-st., Accrington. (1891)

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GRAND surplus Norwich, colour-fed cocks, from 5/6, hens from 3/-; approval, deposit: Heald, Confectioner, Claypit-lane, Leeds. (1896)

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GRAND Norwich cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6; inspection invited any time: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1887)

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THREE pairs prize bred Norwich, 12/6 pair; three Norwich cocks, 10/- each; Middley's, Hodder's, Lewin's strains direct: Ollife, Church Green, Witney. (1891)

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HIGH-CLASS Norwich, large, grand type, good heads, best strain in England, several winners, 35 years' breeder, cheap, approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1823)

GRAND Norwich, show or stock birds, champion strain; also two extra good buff cinnamon hens, cheap; approval, willingly: Snalles, Radcliffe, Acklington, Northumberland. (1895)

FEW colour-fed Norwich yellows and buffs, cold-room bred; cocks from 6/6; hens, 3/-; cash or deposit; approval; inspection invited: Elton, 73, New-castle-st., Swindon, Wilts. (1895)

CHAMPION Norwich bred from E. Steed stock; four cocks, three hens, Linnet Mule, good double breeder, all utensils, £1 17/6 or offer; one pair cost 35/-: Webb, 28, Sportsbank-st., Catford. (1898)

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NOTICE: Grand lot cock Canaries on full song, 5/6 each: William Jones, 17, Arthur-st., Aberavon. CHAMPION 1914 cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1892)

PURE Rollers, none hotter at 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (1878) GLUCKE and Seifert Rollers, crab rung, 1914, cocks 10/6, hens 3/-: R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescott. (1880)

ROLLER box cages, with shutters, 2/9 each, enamelled; see catalogue: E. Tams, Church-st., Loughton. (1899) TEN Roller hens, 4/- couple, 18/- lot; bred from B.R.C.C. birds: Mrs. Cole, 43, Duncan-rd., Crookes, Sheffield. (1897)

RANDALL'S Glucke strain, 1914, bold cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 15/-; approval: Leigh, 57, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (1883) GRAND young cocks, Seifert Rollers, in full song, 7/6 and upwards; approval: Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne. (1892)

WATER Glucke Rollers, deep birds; cocks from 8/-, hens from 3/6: Watkins, 22, Eden-st., Astley Bridge, Bolton. (1891) SEIFERT Rollers, full song, cold-room bred, sing anywhere, 6/6, 7/6, hens, 1/9; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (1895)

GRAND British bred Roller, Randall and Chilcott's strain, cost 25/-; accept 10/6: Smith, 180, High-st., Chatham. (1893) ORGAN and schoolmaster trained, young Glucke and Water-Glucke cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6: Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldesley. (1874)

PURE Randall's hollow roll strain, cocks 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, £1, hens 5/-; cash or deposit: Charles Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1864) FOR sale young songster Canaries, guaranteed cocks and on song, 4/-, 4/6, and 5/-: Arthur Munks, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (1897)

SEIFERT Roller, 1914 cocks, the last two left, and grand schoolmaster; letters only: Walker, 6, Lambert-terr., Aberdeen, S. Wales. (1890) 1914 ROLLER cock, singing, and four hens, 12/- lot; perfect condition; approval; exchange Sibs.: Gibbons, 95, Peel-terrace, Stafford. (1900)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911) WALTON'S champion Glucke, water Glucke Rollers; cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; approval, deposit: Walton, 6, Cross Green Crescent, Leeds. (1875)

PURE Randall B.R.C.C. rung hollow roll strain; cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-, £1; hens, 4/-; cash or deposit system: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1896) SIX 1914 Glucke Roller cocks, all B.R.C.C. rung full song, 10/6 each; approval: R. Evans, 4, Burnett-st., Merrington-lane, Spenny-moor, Durham.

GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers, young cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens same strain, 5/6; 7 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Great Harwood. (1852)

ROLLER cocks in full song, day or gas light, 8/6 each, 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thakley, Nr. Bradford. (1908)

CONTEST Rollers, winning strain, B.R.C.C. rung, cocks 10/6, hens 4/-; exchange, approval: Hawkes, Regent-st., Wellingborough. Member B.R.C.C. (1891)

HIGH CLASS water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks from 10/6, hens 4/-; inspection invited; approval: T. Hillson, 35, Botany lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1897)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, cold room and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1813)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained cocks from 10/6; hens from 3/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne. (1892)

ROLLER Canaries bred off B.R.C.C. stock, full song, cold-room bred; cocks 7/6 and 10/6, hens 2/6—for a short time only; approval, deposit: Davies, 18, Lower Hill-st., Stourbridge. (1897)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, seven young hens (six rung), four last years' hens, good breeders, first offer, 15/- the lot; must sell; bargain: Morrison, 38, George-st., Edinburgh. (1890)

HIGH CLASS Glucke Rollers, Randall's B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 12/6, 15/-, hens 4/6, 5/-, worth double; also China bird, cage knobs, 3in., 6d. dozen, 3in. 8d. dozen: Allen, Albert-st., Wednesbury. (1890)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold room bred, cocks in song, from 10/6; pairs from 12/6; hens from 4/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-ter., Bradford rd., Batley, Yorkshire. (1895)

BRITISH bred Rollers, young cocks, B4 rung, father winner at five singing contests only times shown, 7/6, 10/6; few hens, same strain, 5/6 couple: Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway-avenue, Bridlington. (1895)

FIRST and cup he, c, Rosendale, three grand deep Glucke and water Glucke Roller cocks, same as the above, 15/6, £1, 25/-; B.R.C.C. rung, Randall's direct; genuine bargains: Wantling, 32, Corporation-st., Bacup. (1896)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, British Roller Club rung, Glucke, water Glucke, and bell Glucke, related to my winners of cups and medals, cold room bred; cocks from 20/-; hens 6/6; approval: Rhodes, 40, James-st., Bilston, Staffs. (1889)

BRITISH Rollers, bred from Glucke and water Glucke prize winners; young cocks from 7/6; hens from 3/6; two schoolmasters, 15/8 each; approval; member of B.R.C.C.: Tording, 33, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (1893)

CONTEST Rollers, delightful singers, cold room bred and finest blood extant; cocks 10/6 to 15/-, hens 5/-; pairs scientifically mated, 12/6 to 21/-; approval seven days' or call and hear them: Squire Gommersall, Bank House, Birstall, Leeds. (1881)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer of high-class Rollers, have a few left, singing, grand, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, extra deep toned cocks 10/6, 12/6 each, hens 2/-; birds sent at once on receipt of half-payment, balance in seven days: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1896)

WINNERS for sale and young birds fit to win; cups, diplomas for best hollow roll, best Glucke, 1st and medals 1913 shows; cocks 2nd Leeds, 3rd 1st and special best Glucke, 50/-; others as cheap; hens, 5/-: H. G. Hill, 55, School-rd., Moseley, Birmingham. (1891)

PRIZE-WINNERS, 2nd Wakefield, sings four different kinds of Gluckes, used as tutor, rung 1911, strong bird, 40/-; 4th prize Midland contest, rung 1912, good stock bird and tutor, cost £4, 35/-; four 1914, two fit for contest, or tutors, 25/- each; two others, good birds, 20/-; hens, 5/-; same strain as my winners of five cups, numerous medals, etc.; 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 6 specials at Midland contest the other week; exchange anything: A. Harper, 2, Cooper-st., Bilston, Staffs. (1891)

DEEP Glucke strain: For sale two cocks, 1st prize winners in Germany, cost £6 each last year, 25/- each; green cock, won second at Leeds, 1913, taking diploma for best Glucke and scoring 31 points, with no fault, 50/-; best hens, 5/-; some grand young cocks, should win in novice classes, £1 each; stock cocks, 8/- each; above are given away, not sold: H. G. Hill, Ashleigh, School-rd., Moseley, Birmingham. (1891)

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ALL my well-known stock for sale, including 16 young birds, cages, rack, etc.: McIlwain, School, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1884)

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WANTED Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900) YORKSHIRES: 3 cocks and 3 hens, from 10/- pair: Wallwork, 19, Railway View, Brierfield. (1890) THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks singing, lot 6/6: Lloyd, 24, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1879)

WANTED Yorkshire cock Canaries for cash: Edmonds and Edmonds, Naturalists, Eastbourne. (1897) 50 YORKSHIRES, including winners for sale, cheap: J. A. Davis, 90a, East-st., Bodminster, Bristol. (1867) GOOD Yorkshire cocks at 8/6; pairs 12/6; approval, deposit with Editor: Esmond, 16, Waungong, Nantymuel. (1897)

YORKSHIRE cocks, 8/6, hens 2/6; travelling case with six cages, 12/6: White, 3, Katherine-rd., Twickenham. (1881) 1914 Yorkshires, pairs from 8/6, cocks 7/6, hens 3/6, colour-fed; approval: E. Hampson, 45, High-st., Glossop. (1900)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for sale; cocks from 6/-, hens from 3/- upwards: G. Taylor, Dunroff, Hatfield, Doncaster. (1896) YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, colour-fed Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester.

YORKSHIRES for sale, cocks 10/-, hens 4/-; see show reports Clapham, etc.: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (1884) COLOUR-FED winners: Cocks, 10/6; hens, 7/6; four show cages, 1/- each; nearest offer: Humphries, Ash Cottage, Bacup. (1889)

WANTED, offers for 4 pair 1914 bred Yorkshire Canaries; yours first: Kaye, 3, Ivy-st., Crosland Moor, Huddersfield. (1891) YORKSHIRES, cocks 6/6, 7/6, singing, hens 3/-; approval, after 4 or Sundays: Williamson, 92, Westfield-rd., W. Ealing. (1892)

FOR sale six young Yorkshire cocks, 20/- the lot; approval: Albert Roberts, Commercial-rd., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1897) HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale cheap, cocks or hens, own breeding from my winners; approval: Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (1896)

YORKSHIRES, typical matched pairs from 8/- to 20/- pair; few songsters, 6/6 to 7/6 each: Fewster, Middlestown, Wakefield. (1886) YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, cocks 5/6, hens 3/-, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 562, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1885)

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T. MACREADY, George-st., Stranraer, has few unflighted Yorkshires, off hen that won Glasgow, for sale. See report this week. (1892) NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911)

FOR sale, 1914 Yorkshires: 6 cocks, 6/6 each; 6 hens, 2/6 each; or take £3 10/- for lot: J. Edwards, 129, Thndoe Colliery, Co. Durham. (1890) PAIR 1913 Yorkshire Canaries, 7in. long, slim, sally birds, matched for breeding, 19/6, worth 20/-, Yorkshire, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1878)

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T. C. CRAWFALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1888)

BUFF unlighted cock, clean ticked, 7in., valuable stock bird, 12/6; smart buff hen, 7/6; both Amblers; bargain: Price, Lower Soughton, Northop, Flint.

YORKSHIRES for sale, four pair 8/- pair; yell. and buff cocks, 5/- each; cages for sale; inspection invited any day: J. Baguley, Thornton-le-Clay, York.

FINE Yorkshire cocks, guaranteed full songs, from my noted strain, 4/- each; hen, 2/-; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett.

YELLOW cock, 10/-; buff cock, 7/6; green marked buff cock, 12/6; green marked yellow cock, 12/6; all from winners: Tom Duncett, Willowbank, Wick, N.B. (1900)

YORKSHIRES: Eight pairs for sale; prices 7/6 to 15/-; any on approval for cash or deposit with Editor; odd cocks from 5/- each: G. Baines, 24, Main-st., Long Eaton. (1894)

PAIR exceptionally fine Yorkshires, typical birds of highest quality, 18/-, or 3/- with order and 3/- monthly after delivery: Walter Daudie, Osgathorpe, Sheffield.

200 YORKSHIRES for sale for show or stock; cocks from 5/6, hens from 3/-; inspection invited any time: Edwina North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1887)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, cocks from 6/-, hens 3/-, and upwards; stock or show birds on approval; cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells Yard, Mansfield, Notts. (1893)

PRIESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks from 5/-; hens from 3/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (1880)

FOUR matched pairs of Yorkshires, cocks over standard length, 12/6 pair; very good hens, 3/6 each; satisfaction guaranteed: Coulson, 761, Huddersfield-rd., Ravenshorpe. (1889)

OVERSTOCKED with Yorkshires; guaranteed cocks, my winning strain, full song, 4/- each; hens, 2/-; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1899)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, grand, long, slim, typical cocks, from 5/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1876)

FANCIERS: See reports Bradford and Halifax. I have a good stock of the best strain; write stating wants; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Beaumont, Hepworth, nr. Huddersfield. (1893)

FEW good unlighted cocks and hens, related to my cup winner (see Highgate and Hampstead report), low prices; approval, deposit: Knight, 46, Spencer-rd., Kentish/Town. (1899)

FOUR prize-bred Yorkshire hens, 12/6 lot, or separate, 3/6 each; exchanges considered; either breeding cages or birds; yours first: Lovell, 4, Albert-rd., Staple Hill, Bristol. (1891)

STRONG healthy 1913 buff Yorkshire cock, good length, 12/6; also 1914 buff cock, son of above, 8/6; Joe Thomas's strain; approval willingly: Gape, Confectioner, Yestalyfera, Glam. (1891)

WANTED, any quantity of Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also cock Goldfinch Mules, for prompt cash; stamp envelope reply: Enoch Power, 91, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London, E. (1891)

WINNERS: Clear buff cock, 25/-; cinnamon marked buff cock, 25/-; yellow marked hen, 30/-; buff marked hen, 20/-; some lovely stock pairs, 10/- upwards; approval: McLoughlin, Valley-rd., Liversedge, Yorkshire. (1893)

PRIZE bred Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, bred from my winners, hens 5/- upwards, cocks 7/6 upwards; cash or deposit; approval with pleasure: Hosken Bros., 85, Main-st., Heamoor, nr. Penzance, Cornwall. (1850)

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BARGAIN, 1914 yellow cock, 1st Bristol 21/- selling class, price 10/6; 1914 buff cock, make a good stock bird, 7/6; 1914 buff hen, 5/-; all these bred from my winners: L. Bousfield, 63, Southbourne-rd., Bourne-mouth. (1891)

YORKSHIRES, winning strain: 1913 yellow ticked cock, 30/-; buff cock, 17/6; 1914 yellow cock, 20/-; few stock birds, 12/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1900)

CLEARING out Yorkshires; 3 cocks, 5 hens, including yellow hen 1st Metropolitan, 2nd City and Sulurban, and unlighted cock and hen from her; accept 50/-, quick sale: Robertson, 31, Adela-aven., New Maldon, Surrey. Raynes Park station. (1890)

YORKSHIRES, about 70, including many winners, must clear owing to pressure of business (see report Newcastle); no reasonable offer refused; state want; pairs from 12/6 upwards; 7 days' approval: Catt-ll, 81, Wingham-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1890)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, 1913, clear yellow cock, real good stock bird, over 7 inches, 50/-; 1913 clear buff hen, 7 inches, real gem, winner first and second only times out, 50/-; few others from this well-known strain, cheap; approval, deposit: Ernest Radley, Paradise-square, Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1895)

QUALITY Yorkshires: Novice cup winner, splendid clear buff cock, 20/-; another buff cock, 2nd in cup class Luton last week, 20/-; bright ticked yellow cock, winner every time shown, 30/-; all C.F.; others cheaper, both sexes; also cages for sale; state wants; wanted, bakery utensils: Page, Baker, Dunstable. (1897)

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Various Canaries.

YOUNG Canaries for sale; cocks from 6/6, hens 2/6; Apply, Haynes, 16, Calstock-st., East Greenwich. (1890)

NORWICH, colour-fed, cocks, also two nice type buff Yorks, hens, 3/6 each; approval: Hald, Baker, Claypit-lane, Leeds. (1896)

GRAND lot of high-class singing Canaries, cocks, full song, 5/- and 6/-, hens 2/6, 3/6; exchange: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1894)

BORDER Fancies, Norwich, and mixed songsters, full song and perfect health; genuine offer: 5/-, 7/6, 10/6: Read, Newbury-st., Gillingham, Dorset. (1899)

YORKSHIRE Rollers, three cocks for disposal, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, splendid songsters; one hen 2/-: 1913 Norwich cock, 6/-; approval: Smith, 4, Chapel-st., Long-chester, Preston, Lancs. (1897)

1914 NORWICH cocks, clear, yellows; also Yorkshire cocks, in green, yellow, marked and buff green marked, 5/- each: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Hebden Bridge. (1896)

TYPICAL Yorkshire cocks from 10/6; also some fine Norwich cocks from 10/6, hens from 6/6; colour-fed, cold-room bred; inspection invited any time: Sbrimpton, 47, Links-rd., Tooting Junction. (1882)

CANARIES WANTED,

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COCK Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, healthy and in song, with solid brass suspend hanging cage, glass pannelled and highly finished, 10/6; easy payments taken: Hope, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1900)

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MULES-HYBRIDS.

WANTED Mules: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)

SIB hen, mother of light Mule this season, 15/-; bargain: Price, Lower Soughton, Northop, Flint. (1859)

TWO cock Linnets Mules, 7/6 each; H.-M. Linnets, 3/6; others, 1/6; full song: 55, Leticia-st., Middles-bro'. (1891)

YELLOW hen (grand), breeder above mule, 10/-; cock Goldfinch (breeder), mated, 7/6: Cooper, Judge, Norwich. (1890)

FOR sale cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/6 each; on full song, 1914 bred: William Jones, 17, Arthur-st., Abercrom. (1889)

A few Goldfinch Mules for sale, 6/-; one yellow variegated, 7/6; all singing: T. Stevens, 4, Gloucester-st., Aberdare. (1892)

BARGAIN, yellow cock Goldfinch Mule, full song, 7/6, also father of above, 5/-: Chas. Pearce, Crinnis, Par, Cornwall. (1897)

FOR sale, four Goldfinch Mules, £1 each; also two 10/- each; worth double: A. Moodie, Black Horse Inn, Creetown. (1850)

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NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnets Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1892)

GOLDFINCH-LARK Mules, bred in garden aviary, 5/- each; also H.-M. Goldfinch cock Muler, 5/6; exchange: Stonland, Aviaries, Collingham, Newark. (1890)

LIGHT variegated Goldfinch-Mules, also parents of above, have bred clears, also Sib. bred cocks and hens; cheap to clear: Manley, 43, Asblenc-rd., Putney. (1896)

COCK Goldfinch Mule, full song, Finch notes, 6/6; young Goldie Bullfinch Hybrid, big bird, 15/-; exchange hen Canaries: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1894)

OVERSTOCKED; genuine sibs, hens bred light mules, 10/- each; cocks, yellow 10/-, buff 7/6; exchange house-moulted cock Goldie: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1890)

LARGE pink-eyed Sib. bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 7/6, 5/6; cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1899)

GENUINE Sib. bred buff hen, guaranteed bred light mules this season, 7/6; exchange exhibition Goldie or Siskin: James Grant, 33, St. Peter-st., Peterhead. (1898)

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TWO dark Linnets Mules, one Goldfinch Mule, cocks, 7/6 each; one Linnets, one Goldfinch Mule, hens, 2/6; all good big birds; three large exhibition Gold-finches, 3/- each: Ollife, Church Green, Witney. (1891)

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Dec. 19.—Doncaster.—(Canaries only). See Jan. 9, 1915.
Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Miles, Brit. and For. Birds.
Oct. 22, 23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalf and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Scotland.

- Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
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Twitterings.

The Shettleston and Dist. C.B.S. members' show takes place on Dec. 12, in the Hill Street Hall, when 54 classes are provided, covering practically all varieties.

Owing to increase in trade, writes Mr. H. Moore, I have removed the Lambeth Aviaries to larger premises at 35, Gladstone Street, St. George's Road, S.E.

We are asked to state that Mr. W. Jopson (Exchange Stores, Newton Heath) has no connection with any other advertiser in the Manchester district.

Mr. R. P. Fox, hon. sec. N. Shields C.B.C., writes that his society has abandoned its 1914 show owing to so many of the members being at the front fighting for their country.

We note that the Springburn, Possil Park and Dist. C.B.C. annual members' show is to be held on Dec. 5 in the Reid Hall, Queenshill Street, Springburn (open 1.30 p.m.). There are 29 classes for young birds and 37 for old birds.

All members and fanciers around Burnley and Dist., writes Mr. G. Wharton, hon. sec. Burnley C.B.S., will be very sorry to learn that Mr. Joe Baker has had a misfortune, owing to a fall. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

All prize-money won at the show of the Old Shildon Workmen's Club C.B.S. has been paid, and we have heard from exhibitors, writes Mr. J. Ainsworth, sec., that their birds got home in good time. The show was a great success; anyone overlooked should write the sec.

OBITUARY.

The deepest sympathy, writes Mr. J. Rees, Rochdale, is felt by fanciers of this and the surrounding district, and I am sure they will be shared by all who have come in contact with Mr. R. Blincoe, the late sec. of the Rochdale O.C., in the loss of his ten-year-old son, who died to-day (Nov. 23) after a very short illness.

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool) that I have to report the death of Harry Bunner (of Bunner and Sons). He was in the Artillery, stationed at Canterbury, and while having a bath the geyser burst and suffocated him. It is a great blow to his father, Mr. E. Bunner, who has the sympathy, I am sure, of fanciers throughout the country.

We have decided to postpone our open show, Coaltown of Wemyss C.B.S., arranged for Dec. 5, writes Mr. Hugh Clelland, Sec.

There is an error in Whitburn schedule, writes Mr. R. Lambie, sec. Class 29 should read "house-moulted," not colour fed. Mr. Whitelaw (Govan) has given 2s. 6d. sp. for best Green Border, open, and Mr. Whiteford 2s. for best F.M. Linnet confined.

At the annual members' show of the Edmonton F.A., to be held on Dec. 10, in the Town Hall, 30 classes have been provided for cage-birds, with Mr. H. Norman as the judge.

As will be seen from the show advt. in another column, entries for Abersychan show, Dec. 3, are extended till Nov. 30. The stewards who are giving their services are all experienced fanciers, and exhibitors may depend that every attention will be given to their birds.

I regret, writes Mr. Jos. Elliott, sec., that Cambois and Dis. C.B.S. show had to be cancelled at the last moment, after members had their entry tickets sent out to them, owing to the Military authorities taking every available place on the colliery. We had a record entry for the number of classes.

It was a pleasant surprise to see sketch of my buff wing-marked Yorkshire, winner at Kingston, 1913, in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, recently; the sketch was very lifelike. I beg to say that a son of this bird won the Rowan challenge cup for best bird, F.F. show, Dublin, 1914. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—John Keogh.

The Cage Birds at Newport (I. of W.) Show on Dec. 2, will, we hear, be judged by Mr. W. R. Miles, of Chichester.

The person holding ticket No. 648 may have the bird and cage given away at our recent show by applying to me, writes Mr. A. Freestone, 79, Clarendon Street, Leicester. Derby C.B.S. holds its annual members' show on Nov. 28, at the Normanton Hotel, writes Mr. P. W. Jordan, the hon. sec. Mr. Vardy is the judge, and according to the entries there will be a successful show. Two cups are for competition, and Mr. Colledge is showing his champion Crest.

Corrections in Show Reports.

In the report of Leith show, 1, 2, 3, 4, No Name, should read 1, 2, 3, 4, Watson, and in Light Mule class Mr. Watson won 1st and special. At Old Shildon Mr. Jas. Barnes won sp. most points in Nor., not Mays and Allinson, and Mr. Barnes was 3rd in Nor. Yell., not Reynolds; at Reading Mr. Philpot was 1st in unflighted buff Nor., not Lees.

Owls Increasing in London.

In the course of a lecture delivered at the Royal Photographic Society's exhibition, now open in Suffolk Street, Haymarket, Mr. Oliver G. Pike said that the Brown Owl was on the increase in the North of London. On September evenings he had imitated their notes until presently a whole family of Owls came and perched on a branch above him.

Our Scheme.

In our last issue we said that we should have an announcement to make this week concerning our scheme to send singing Canaries to convalescent homes and war hospitals. In view of our Xmas Number next week, and pressure on space this, we have decided to hold this interesting item for inclusion in our special issue.

A Kingfisher's Violent End.

A singular incident is reported by a correspondent at Grange. When walking along the side of a brook near Carnforth he found the body of a Kingfisher wedged in the fork of an overhanging bush. The bird had evidently been in this position for some weeks, for only bones and feathers were left. He could find no trace of gunshot, and it was evident that the bird had dashed against a branch with such force as to pin itself in a fork. There is nothing unreasonable in this assumption, similar cases are on record, but usually the Kingfisher is one of the keenest-eyed of birds.

Tall Story of U.S.A. Canary.

A reader of CAGE BIRDS living in the United States of America sends us the following cutting from the "New York Herald":—"The entire staff of the Bronx Zoological Gardens has been invited to attend the Palace Theatre next week to witness the performance of the Mystic Bird, a Canary which sings like Caruso any tune selected by the audience, and which mimics any other singing bird. To show that there is no deception, the marvellous bird is carried through the auditorium in its cage and sings any number asked for directly to the person making the request. In a private trial yesterday the Canary warbled Cæsar Franck's "Beatitudes."

White Swallow in Suffolk.

On the afternoon of Aug. 30, at Earl Soham, Suffolk, I and one of the villagers witnessed the first appearance of a white Swallow from the nest. It flew around for a little, closely followed by others of the normal hue, who seemed to wonder at it, and then perched on a telegraph wire, so that we had a clear view of it. It soon took another and more confident flight, and its fellows became more accustomed to it. I begged that it might not be shot, and I hope it may have a long life. It would be interesting to see if it returns to Soham next year.—Randall Davies in "The Field." White Swallows are not so rare as some people imagine. Every summer from some parts of the country some are heard of, and they are invariably young birds. Two or three cases have been noted in which an entire brood was white.

Age of the House Sparrow.

It is curious that in the case of so common a bird as the House Sparrow no one seems able to state, even approximately, its duration of life. This, at least, has been my experience on asking several friends of my acquaintance, some of them good naturalists. It may therefore be well to place on record the fact that a lady who brought up a young Sparrow from the nest kept it as a cage-bird for ten years, when it died of old age. She described it as "affectionate, fearless, and intelligent, and singing a bright little song," redeeming qualities in a bird that few people have a good word for. Of course it does not follow that it would have lived so long in a state of nature, and the greater age which birds attain in captivity is doubtless due to the treatment they receive, shelter, a constant supply of food, and protection from enemies and from accidents.—J. E. H., "The Field."

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The hall is very accessible, being close to Victoria Station, consequently within easy reach by the Underground Railway system and the motor-bus and tram routes. The show is open to-day (Friday) from 10 to 10, admission 1s., and to-morrow (Saturday) from 10 to 5, 1s., and 5 to 7, 6d., closing at the latter hour.

The show manager, Mr. J. Tysou, asks us to say that all birds will be sent away from the show early on Monday morning, and not on Saturday or Sunday night, for the railways then are almost sure to be claimed for use by the military authorities, and consequently the risk of delay in transit would be too great.

Some indication of the rarity and beauty of the "living jewels" to be seen at this show was afforded by the notice in our last issue—Humming Birds (Thursday and Friday only); Birds of Paradise and other desirable aliens—and we hear that there will also be a white Magpie and a white Jackdaw, while a Pallas Great Grey Shrike should interest the British bird lovers (a first appearance, this, we believe).

We trust there will be a great attendance. All the profits, remember, go to the funds of the British Red Cross Society.

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Correspondence.

Clearing Rats from an Outdoor Aviary.

SIR,—Having tried in vain all kinds of traps and poisons to exterminate those pests, rats, from my outdoor aviary, I appeal to readers of CAGE BIRDS to favour me with advice.

G. V. W.

Who Bred the First Yorkshire Canary?

SIR,—We had an argument on the Yorkshire Canary last week, as to who was the first man to breed the Yorkshire. Most of the fanciers present said it was Mr. Jonas Knight. I myself told them to ask CAGE BIRDS. Can any reader answer this question for us?

F. BIRD.

This Season's Great Scottish National Show.

SIR,—The Scottish National Show will not this year be held in the Corn Exchange, where so many notable gatherings have taken place, as this has been taken over by the Authorities. We have secured the Grindlay Street Hall, equally as good as the above—large, well-lighted, and very comfortable for exhibitors. Novices will be well provided for (10 classes given). Prize-money 30s. per class; prize cards free. Foreign bird exhibitors should note that Miss Peddie Waddell will be at her post again. Owing to so many shows being abandoned, names and addresses of exhibitors will be scarcer, so I would urge fanciers to apply to me for schedules, ready Dec. 10. Whatever surplus is left over after meeting all expenditure will go to the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund.

J. R. MEIKLE.

22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.

The Recent Halifax O.S. Show.

SIR,—The officials and members of the above Society desire me to thank all those (151) exhibitors who so wholeheartedly supported our 25th annual open show, and helped to make it such a success. The Norwich section was particularly good, a show in itself, and cannot be surpassed even by the Palace Show. The society this year have had to work under tremendous pressure, seeing that they were purposely opposed by that combination of societies known as the Bradford National Show, and advertised in your list of guaranteed shows in your issue of Oct. 17 to take place on Dec. 4 and 5, but moved up for the above purpose (opposition). But we are happy to say that success was achieved, and that we are all the more proud of the result, also that we were congratulated by exhibitors from a distance who were present. We shall endeavour in the future to put up still better shows. All birds were dispatched by 7.30, and the room was cleared by 8.30. All prize-money which was not paid out at the show was dispatched on Sunday night. Anyone not receiving it, should kindly inform me at once.

HARRY CLEGG, Hon. Sec.

The Harvest of the Birds.

Nature's Fruits that Tide Birds Over Autumn and Winter.

SIR,—I was keenly interested in a short article I read the other day, in the "Westminster Gazette," about the berries, etc., which Nature provides for the birds, and hope you will reproduce it, as the facts it deals with may be new to many of my fellow-fanciers.

"This question of bountiful harvests affects closely a host of creatures who are even more dependent on Nature's bounties than we human beings: creatures that have not the power of assisting Nature's efforts, but who, for their winter fare, entirely rely on Nature's charity. There are some that anticipate the lean months by collecting stores, but the larger number subsist on what they can gather from day to day. Those are the creatures that suffer most when the berry crops of the woodlands and the hedgerows fail, for they either have to face starvation or are obliged to lead a nomadic life in constant search of food, and are sometimes forced to leave our shores for more favourable climes. With regard to the winter movements of our birds one may generally put them down to the question of food supply.

"The prospects for the coming winter for these little dwellers of the woodlands and hedgerows are extremely bright, for everywhere there is an abundance of berries on nearly every fruiting tree. It seems an economic provision of Nature that the more perishable berries, such as the blackberry, the whortleberry, the elderberry, the cranberry, and others, should be apparently more palatable to these small creatures than the harder ones that form the more staple winter diet. For while these softer berries last until well into late autumn the birds especially are not tempted to attack their winter provender. On

the moorlands the Missel Thrushes are gathered into flocks feeding on the little purple fruit of the bilberry or whortleberry; later on, when winter tightens her grip, these same flocks will be taking toll of the red berries of the holly, may, mountain-ash, and wild briars. Even the black ivy berries will not come amiss. And these berries of the winter they will have to share with great hordes of newcomers from further north, the Fieldfares, the Redwings, and their own kind.

"Here in the West-country there surely never has been such profusion of small fruit—acorns, walnuts, beech-nuts, and chestnuts carpet the ground beneath the respective trees that grow in plenty here. The range of the smaller vegetarian mammals being somewhat restricted, those that do not enter into a state of torpidity, like the dormouse, must gather in their winter stores like the squirrels, and there is now a veritable wealth of food, more than is wanted. What is left over will do for the large birds, who live according to the needs of the day—the Wood Pigeons, Jays, Magpies, Rooks, and their kind. For the smaller birds—the Finches, the Thrushes, and Buntings—there is also a plentiful store in hand, for the woodlands are gay with the bright scarlet masses of the mountain-ash berries, and the holly-trees are thickly clustered with spikes of fruit just beginning to turn colour. The hedge-rows, too, are bright with the waxen fruit of the wild briar and the duller red of the hips and haws of the may trees and bushes. None of these harder berries have been touched yet by the birds, although they are quite ripe, and one can only surmise that this fare is looked upon as a last resource when the pinch comes. The mountain-ash fruit will probably be the first to be touched by the Missel Thrushes."

AN OLD ADMIRER OF "C.B."

The Borrowing and Lending of Birds.

SIR,—At the Chester-le-Street, Birtley, and Pelton Fell (Amalgamated) Show, there was a lot of talk about men showing birds belonging to other fanciers, who were not members of any of the above societies. I think it is very unfair of any fancier to lend birds to take a few shillings of prize-money that members have put together out of their own pockets, or gathered in the district. I would like the members to look at the rules of the three societies.

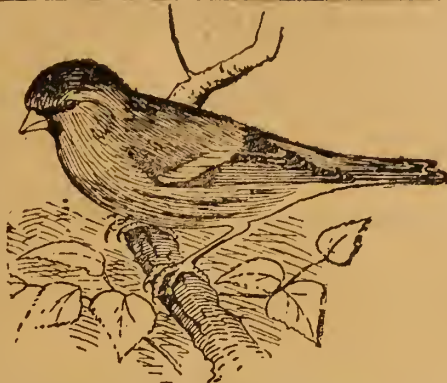
JAMES STANGER.

Doncaster Show to be Held in Two Portions.

SIR,—At a meeting of the Doncaster and Dis. C.B.S. it was decided to run our annual open show as usual; but owing to being unable to get a large hall, we decided to split the show into two sections, one for Canaries on Dec. 19, and one for British birds, Mules and Foreign birds, on the original date, Jan. 9. So you will see that we do not intend to be classed with the faint-hearted ones. The classes will stand as arranged for Dec. 19—Yorks, Champion 11, Novice 4, Norwich, 7 Champion, Novice 4, and 2 Selling. We hope fanciers will rally round and give us a bumping entry on both dates.

G. HUNT, Hon. Sec.

19, The Crescent, Balby Road, Doncaster.



The charming little Redpoll-Greenfinch Hybrid which secured 1st prize at Tonbridge Show for Mr. W. Bennett, of Bearsted.

The "Palace Show of the North."

SIR,—At the "Palace Show of the North" it is Business as Usual, the Gateshead C.B.S. having decided to run an open show on Saturday, Dec. 19. We hope fanciers in the North will give us their fullest patronage. We are giving a liberal classification (53 classes) and a specialist judge for each section. We have secured the patronage of the following specialist clubs:—Northern Norwich, Northern Crest, Northern Yorkshire, Northern Borders, and Northern British, Mule and Foreign Bird Club. Schedules will be posted to last year's exhibitors; others by sending a postcard will have one sent them as soon as ready.

W. CURRY, Sec.

6, Roxburgh Pl., Heaton, Newcastle.

A Well-known Canary Fancier Helps Belgian Refugees.

Risks Limb and Life Daily to Feed their Pets.

SIR,—It may interest your readers to hear what that well-known Lancashire Canary fancier, Inspector F. J. Green, has been doing for unfortunate Belgian Refugees driven out of their country by this cruel war. On Oct. 22, 1800 Belgian Refugees, men, women and children, landed at Lowestoft, being brought over by some forty Ostend fishing boats. Many of these poor people brought their pets with them, including 38 dogs, a number of small birds, rabbits, fowls, etc. Lowestoft being a naval base, these Refugees were sent to London and other inland towns, together with the crews of the boats, leaving their pets behind. Fortunately Inspector F. J. Green was on the spot, and daily for nearly a month went out in a small boat and took food and drink to these poor animals and birds, a task involving the greatest personal danger to life and limb, climbing up on the various boats in all weathers. He has been successful in finding good homes for many of the animals, and some of the dogs are placed in quarantine for their owners. The rabbits and fowls were offered on Tuesday, Nov. 16, for sale, Inspector Green also giving one of his Canaries, which realised 21s. The whole of the money was handed over to the Belgian Consul to send to the fund to help the orphans of Belgian soldiers killed in the war. So you will see, as Mr. John Tyson mentions in last week's CAGE BIRDS, there are fanciers who have a soft place in their hearts for both their suffering fellow creatures and their dumb friends. I attach a cutting from this day's "Lowestoft Journal," giving a report of the sale.

AN OLD FANCIER.

The Proposed Welsh National C.B.S. Show.

SIR,—There will be a meeting on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 6 p.m. sharp, at the Law Courts Hotel, Cardiff, to draw up rules, etc., and to decide whether it will be advisable to hold the first show this season or not. I shall be pleased to hear from all secretaries and any fancier interested in this matter.

E. THOMAS.

48, Craddock Street, Cardiff.

Correspondence Continued on next page.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to Keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 201.)

THE judge now looks at the steward and has three of the birds removed, leaving the fourth on the table. Why leave one? Because the judge in his wisdom assumes that the bird can, or should, as it claims a position in his judging table, sing more tours than he has heard. So this bird is left. Others come and go, until the daylight is beginning to fail.

There are no birds singing at present, so the table is moved, artificial light is resorted to, the room blinds are dropped. The judge takes up a position again with his back to the light, which illuminates the whole of the cages on the table. In this artificial light the judging proceeds, and you will now understand why I advised you to train your birds to sing in both daylight and artificial light.

You probably noticed that the judge had laid his watch on the table. He utilises the watch to give a shy singing bird a set time in the judging room. Glance at the sheet and you will see marked in the remarks column: "No song after one hour." That conveys to you that he gave the bird a full hour's attention, ready to take the value of its song, yet the bird did not sing. It may have been that the bird had not been trained to sing in strange surroundings, or with a person sitting so close to its cage; it may be that the bird was sulking; further, it may have been a little unwell.

The judging is over, the points are added, the penalty points (if there should be any) are deducted from the total, and the proper number the bird is entitled to is placed in the last square immediately in front of the remarks column. The show secretary has now entered the room bearing a sheaf of papers; these are the entry forms on which the secretary en-

tered the number of each cage label. The judge picks out the largest number of points, calls the bird's cage number, the owner's name is given by the secretary, and the name—let us trust, reader, your name—is placed opposite to the number of the bird gaining the largest number of points, and so on until all the prize-winners have been selected in order of merit. Usually a small label is placed on the cage corresponding with the award the bird has won.

If you visit the show the secretary will hand you your prize cards—that is, if you are entitled to them, and in many instances also the prize-money. Otherwise, prize-cards are usually placed into the exhibition case, and forwarded along with the birds, prize-money following by post.

A Novel Judging System.

This judging system is the one followed by all our judges, but one that I tried at the Burslem Society's Club, because it was a new society and each member was desirous—or so I believed—to learn every tour his birds sang, gave every satisfaction. I have several sheets of paper for the purpose. On each one there is room to take the value of about twelve birds' song. I select one sheet and number, say, from 1 to 12. When a bird is singing I place the points on this paper, abbreviating the names of the tours thus: Hollow Roll, "H.R."; Hollow Bell, "H.B."; and so on, rapidly writing the two letters and placing the number of points after them, without removing my eyes off the bird that is singing. This is a specimen of the paper after the bird had been judged:—

H.R. 5, H.B. 2, S 3 / F 2, W.G. 3 / W.R. 2 / B.T. 2, B.R. 1, G.E. 3.

The downward lines mean that the bird broke off singing at the schockel. Com-

mencing again, it sang the Flutes and Water Glucko; stopped again at the Water Glucke, then gave a Water Roll, and finally sang the Bell Tour and Bell Roll; "G.E." signifies general effect.

The benefits of this system are that the judge does not have to rely on memory for what tours have been sung and their value, neither does he have to recollect the number of times the bird broke the sequence of its different song-tones, which is, or I contend it should be, taken into account in summing up the value of the song to award the points for G.E. Those downward strokes are evidence.

I do not pretend to say that even this method is infallible, yet it is less liable to err than the old system. Another advantage is that in the event of two birds being so near to an equal value in song points that it is difficult to separate the points even for the G.E., a glance at the paper shows the number of times the bird broke the sequence of its song; if one broke its song only once and was worthy of, say, five points for G.E., and the other bird broke the succession twice, then this latter bird surely is only worthy of four points, and credit is given where credit is due by putting the first bird over the second by the margin of one point—that in the G.E.

It may be wondered how prizes are awarded where two birds gain an equal number of points. Should two birds make a tie under two judges, say, for some competition, then a re-sing has to take place, but in the event of a tie under one judge, should one of the birds have sung some faulty tour, then the other bird is the winner. In the event of a tie where no faulty tours have been sung and the birds have been judged by only one judge, there are at present two methods in vogue. Judge A. gives preference to the bird with the largest number of points for the general effect, while Judge B. will give the prize to that bird which sings the largest number of tours on the lower scale, which means any or all excepting Bell Tour and Bell Roll.

(To be Continued.)

CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

Competition in "Any Other Variety" Classes.

Sir,—With reference to a letter under the above heading, signed by J. C. Wilmot, I think there must be a misunderstanding, as I was the owner of the 2nd prize bird in the A.O.V. class at Northampton show, and it was a dark Goldie Mule. I agree with Mr. Wilmot as to the unfairness of Crests and Mules competing together, but I think he might have made sure of the genuineness of his complaint before giving publicity to the matter, as such things tend to do shows harm, and exhibitors owe (at the present time) much to the societies who are holding shows.

WM. HEPWOOD.

A Treat in Store for the Bird-lovers of Liverpool.

Sir,—At the next meeting of the Wallacey and Dis. C.B.S. on Thursday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m., at the Fairhaven Institute, Sea View Road, Mr. G. Barker, the well-known botanist and British bird fancier and exhibitor will give a lecture on "British Birds in their Natural Conditions, and a study of their habits." The committee of the society extend a hearty invitation to all fanciers and their friends to hear this interesting lecture, and hope that they, and especially the novices, will avail themselves of it.

SCOTT BENSON.

Will the Border Fancy Outstrip the Norwich?

Sir,—All Border Fancy men will echo Mr. Plank's words in last week's issue in taking exception to the remarks of Mr. Cobb about our "Wee Gem." True, he was only quoting someone else, which fact only makes his observations all the worse. Can it be that ten minutes is too long for Mr. C. to spend on his own favourite? Must he talk about the bird that is beginning to get as popular down South as it is in the North? His remarks about the selling value of the Norwich are new to me. It is the first time I have heard even a Norwich man say their birds can beat either a Yorkshire or a Border for song. Still, one lives and learns. I agree with Mr. Plank that such talk as Mr. Cobb's is unfair to a would-be beginner. Let us be fair one to another. I should think but little of any Border man who would give vent to his feelings re any other kind of bird in similar vein.

HARRY C. HUMPHRIES.

Presentation to Newton Grange Secretary, and Additions to Open Show Schedule.

Sir,—The members of the Newton Grange C.B.S. met in the Dean Hall to take farewell of Mr. Wm. Bryson, late sec., who is now serving his country in the ranks of the 8th Royal Scots. Mr. A. M. Gardiner presided, and in name of the society presented Mr. Bryson with a beautiful writing desk as a farewell gift. Mr. Gardiner said he trusted that Mr. Bryson would long be spared to use the desk, and he believed that the gift would always be treasured by the recipient and would ultimately become an heirloom in his family. Mr. Bryson, in returning thanks, said he had endeavoured at all times to do his best, and he hoped it would not be long before he returned to the birds and fanciers again to use the desk for the good of the society. The classification for the open show, Dec. 19, was gone through, and it was decided, notwithstanding the present crisis, to add four more classes, viz., unflighted buff cock, non-fed hen, green Border hen, and Cinnamon cock or hen, making a total of 49 classes, and it is to be hoped that all will rally round our show and make it a success. Before the meeting closed, the health of Mr. Bryson was enthusiastically pledged.

ALEX. M. GARDINER.

6, Reid's Buildings, Newton Grange.

The Starling's Altered Character.

Sir,—I see that the "Farmers' Gazette" has been publishing evidence to "take away the character" of the Starling. Examinations were made of one hundred and seven Starlings. The staple food of the Starling is evidently insect matter, and throughout the year they destroy large numbers of destructive larvæ, beetles, and weevils. During autumn cereal food is also taken. In September, 1911, twenty birds were sent from the district of Cruden with a request for information as to the amount of grain found in their crops. In every bird grain was found, and in ten of them husks of grain proved to be the principal food, but in the remainder insect matter predominated. In no case was the food entirely vegetable. In the beginning of February 1912, a number of Starlings were shot during a snowstorm, and in almost every case the bulk of the food consisted of grain and seeds of weeds. The grain was in frag-

ments, but the weed seeds showed little or no trace of digestion. Since 1896 these birds have increased in number enormously, and this increase is probably due to the migration to our coasts of the continental Starling. As a natural result the feeding habits have changed to a certain extent, and the verdict of one observer that this "is a bird rather to be fostered than destroyed, as he is a benefactor rather than a foe to the farmer," must now be modified. COUNTRY BOY.

The Shows.

EDINBURGH.

Sixty-first show of the Edinburgh O.S., Buccleuch Parish Halls, Nov. 21. Entries totalled 250, about the same as last year, and quality was well maintained. The blue ribbon of the show was won by Mr. G. G. Campbell, with a stylish buff foul cock; the runner-up was the veteran Mr. J. McLennan's cl. yell. hen. Through the hall being in semi-darkness, owing to the action of the authorities, no doubt some previous winners had to take a back seat. The show was well managed by an excellent committee. In Mr. R. Lill the society possess an official who is the right man for the post, and he had everything in apple-pie order. The judges were Mr. G. Park, Govan, Mr. Wm. Thornton, Blackhall, Mr. J. A. Stewart, Glasgow, and Mr. J. Carson, Easthouses. The show was visited by all the leading Scotch Fancy breeders from far and near, and many were the handshakes among the veterans on meeting once again at this old-established fixture. Among those present we noticed Ballie Robinson, Troon, Mr. J. D. Brown, East Kilbride, and many others of Scotch Fancy fame.

CL. YELL. CK. (33): 1, sp., Dalgleish, well known, great size and subs., fit as ever; 2, sp., Gray, good top end, nice thickness through chest; 3, sp., Hope, Edinburgh and Leith winner, beaten only in size, grandly filled shoulders, rare style and action; 4, Simpson, rare style and action, takes perches well; 5, Bell; 6, Strathearn; 7, Pringle; 8, Campbell. YELL. PIED (9): 1, Campbell, grand drive and shoulder, great subs., very stylish; 2, Forsyth, good one, well filled shoulders, grand snaky head and neck; 3, Dalgleish, close up, similar size and subs., beaten only in length of drive; 4, Petrie; 5, Veitch; 6, Munro; 7, West; 8, Jardine. YELL. FOUL (8): 1, Cowan, well up in size, fine square shoulders, capital length of wing; 2, Keill, grand snaky head, well rounded top, gets tail well under; 3, Brown, grand head, neck, and shoulders, splendid drive; 4, McLennan, neat and stylish, fine mover; 5, Strathearn; 6, Keill; 7, Brown; 8, Paterson. YELL. GR. (6): 1, McNiven, Edinburgh Western winner, in grand trim, not a large one, but grand style and action; 2, Campbell, fine size and subs., always ready; 3, Simpson, nice subs., good top end and drive; 4, Bell; 5, Carlaw, neat and stylish; 6, Rennie. CL. BUFF (16): 1, sp., McClure, slashing big one, rare top end, great subs., fine sweep of tail; 2, Carson, gets hard up, lovely drive, well filled in shoulders; 3, McLennan, grand action, rare pose, gets head well down; 4, Allardice, another good one, beaten in size only; 5, sp., Gray; 6, Dalgleish; 7, Jackson; 8, Thomson (grand class). BUFF PIED (18): 1, McLennan, grand size and subs., rare drive and top end, fine length of side; 2, Allan, great drive and shoulder, nice free action; 3, Munro, fine thickness through chest, neat head and neck; 4, Muir, capital style and pose, gets tail well under perch; 5, Livingstone; 6, McNiven; 7, McClure; 8, Henderson. BUFF FOUL (13): 1, sp., cup, and gold medal, Campbell, grand all over, fine snaky head and neck, grand thickness throughout, nice style and action, popular wing; 2, Henderson, fine top end, rare drive and action, capital pose; 3, McClure, capital top end and drive, well filled between shoulders, gets hard up; 4, Allardice, big one, grand length of side, very stylish; 5, Stewart; 6, Rodger; 7, Pringle; 8, Strathearn. BUFF GRN. (6): 1, Chapman, splendid top and wing, neat drive and action; 2, Muir, capital style and pos., fine snaky head and neck; 3, Henderson, nice subs., fine free action, grand circle; 4, Petrie; 5, Duns; 6, Purvis. CL. YELL. HEN (16): 1, sp., runner-up to cup winner, McLennan, grand lady, sweet style and action, rare drive, very nervy; 2, Stewart, capital size and subs., well set up, fine length of wing; 3, Allardice, sweet head, grand shoulders, nice thickness; 4, Sterling, similar size and subs., lovely action and style; 5, Archibald; 6, McClure; 7, Cook; 8, McNiven. YELL. PIED (13): 1, 2, Dalgleish, beauties, not much between them, plenty of size and action; 3, Simpson, grand shoulders, well filled in, capital length of wing; 4, McLennan, extra good top end, neat drive, and pos.; 5, Menzies; 6, Allan; 7, Stewart; 8, McLevy. YELL. FOUL (8): 1, Veitch, extra big for a yell. hen, lovely top, splendid drive and action; 2, Allardice, good size and subs., fine free mover, capital pos.; 3, Chapman, rare snaky head and neck, sweet style and action; 4, Simpson, nice thickness through chest, grand circle; 5, Aitken; 6, no name. YELL. GR. (3): 1, Gray, lovely pose and style, grand top end, fine, reachy neck; 2, Allan, gets hard up, neat pos., rare mover, best of action; 3, Allardice. CL. BUFF (17): 1, McLennan, capital size and weight, well filled between shoulders, grand sweep of tail; 2, Hope, grand one, fine depth through chest, sweet style and action, well placed; 3, Dalgleish, grand square top end, lovely pose, gets head well down; 4, Pringle, rare free style and action, grand length of side, well up on leg; 5, Chapman; 6, Simpson; 7, McNiven; 8, Muir. BUFF PIEBALD (6): 1, Campbell, great top end, sweet neck and head, plenty of nerve and style; 2, Dalgleish, well up in size and subs., fine reachy neck, splendid mover; 3, Rodger, stylish model, grand rounded top end, well filled shoulders, lovely pose; 4, Strathearn, good size and subs., rare drive and circle; 5, Jackson, neat position and style; 6, Brownhouse; 7, Bell; 8, Stewart. BUFF FOUL (16): 1, Brown, grand subs., good top end and drive, well packed between shoulders; 2, Carson, fine length of side, great thickness through chest, get hard up, splendid mover; 3, Rodger, similar size and subs., sweet style and pos.; 4, Campbell, fine reachy neck, good subs., very nervy; 5, Craig, good top end and style, nice action; 6, Strathearn; 7, Cowan; 8, Lile. BUFF GRN. (5): 1, Menzies, splendid top, neat head and neck, grand style and action; 2, Smart, well up in size, fine, reachy neck, capital mover; 3, Jackson, gets tail well under; 4, Gray; 5, Gordon. PAIRS (3): 1, Dalgleish, yell. pied cock and buff pied hen, immense size and subs., matched to breed something extra good; 2, Allan, similarly matched, but beaten size, still a grand pair; 3, McFarlane. BELGIAN CK. (2): 1, Hope, grand one for size, lovely pose and droop; 2, Muir, falls droop, nice subs. HEN (3): 1, sp., Gordon, well set up on leg, neat droop, grand length of side; 2, Russell, fine size and subs., capital pose; 3, Muir, splendid shoulders, grand droop-

GLASGOW C.B.A. REWARDED BY A RECORD ENTRY.

A record show, both in numbers and quality, was held Nov. 20 and 21, in Union Halls, West Nile St., when a splendid muster of exhibits (about 1,200) gathered to do battle. The management were jubilant at the success attained, and who will gainsay they deserved it, since they are all men and fanciers who have striven hard to gain a secure footing for their fixture, and the well earned respect and support of the exhibiting fraternity. Notable was the fact that this was a show of exceptional quality all round, especially so in the Canary sections. Yorkshires here are improving by leaps and bounds; the most of the plums, however, in the section were captured by our friends South of the Tweed. British, as a whole, were good, but in one or two of the classes quality was scarcely of the best. Mr. McLaren won silver challenge goblet for best in hall, with his lovely crest. The challenge shield fell once more to the members of the Glasgow and West, while the rosehol was won by the Partick and Dis. C.B.C. The hall, which was secured as a last resort, in the management's anxious endeavour to hold the show, did not prove adequate to the needs of such a magnificent gathering of fanciers and their pets, but the most of the space at their command was made to ensure the comfort of all concerned. The birds were staged on four tier shelving right round the walls of the square building, with an additional double row up the centre. Mr. J. F. Park, the president, one of the most popular of city enthusiasts, is ever courteous and obliging, and the right man in the right place, while vice-presidents, Mr. E. Taylor and Mr. John McLeay, Messrs. D. F. Webster, assist. sec.; Wm. Hutchison, sec.; Wm. Gunion, treas., backed up by a most enthusiastic working committee, saw that everything was done for the safety and well-being of the birds. The judges, Messrs. A. Chalmers, for Crests; A. Sloan, Plainheads; G. Hislop, Borders; R. Heggie, Yorks.; R. V. Raine and Jas. Gentleman, Brit. and For., were ably attended by Messrs. Taylor, Sinclair, Craig, Barron, E. Taylor, Priest, Fraser, Wyllie, Houston, Watson, Swan, Martin, and Maxwell, and their work proceeded like the working of a clock, and was accomplished in good time, to the general satisfaction of all. Sales were numerous and the prices good. Mr. Edwards' young green Crestred hen was much admired, and we believe Kirkintilloch (in the person of Mr. John McLeay), was in Glasgow annexing, for we are told he secured this choice specimen at a good round sum; we wish him luck with his plucky purchase.

The Norwich and the Crests.

Norwich were the best we have seen for some time, the unflighted classes being particularly strong, and competition was of the keenest; many very fine birds had to stand cardless. The non-feds seemed as though fanciers had withheld their best birds for these classes; all were well up to the standard of perfection in size, type, and quality. S.P.C. medal was won by Mr. M. Smith with a yell. varieg. ck., a bird of the right stamp, great size and subs. for a yell. Mr. A. Sloan (Glasgow) judged.

YELL. CK. (14): 1, Naismith, great size, fine head, lovely qual. of feather, hot col., nice cond., could do with more subs., claimed at catalogue price, £2 12s. 6d.; 2, Scobbie, equal size, better subs., excellent qual., scarcely so rich in col., still we liked for 1st; 3, Crawford, rare type, qual. col. and cond., well laid wings and tail, good stamp; 4, Mitchell, fine round head, deep front, cobby shape, grand qual.; 5, Martin; 6, Maxwell; 7, Taylor; 8, Hirst. BUFF (17): 1, Martin, right good one, rare head and cheeks, grand, deep chest, lovely qual. of feather, neatly carried flights and tail, fine salmon tint of col.; 2, Harper, close up, good size, fine cobby shaped body, well mealed, nice short feather, in grand order; 3, Chalmers, mkd. head, good size, col. and qual., fine head, flights and tail, behind in subs.; 4, 5, Devoxy, two of the right type, good heads, size and qual.; 6, Colley; 7, Allison; 8, Sanders. VAR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, sp., S.P.C. medal, Smith, head and saddle mkd., fine head, neck and rare deep front, excellent qual., rich col., neatly cut away behind, wins well; 2, Taylor, fine size, col. and qual., good head, but some thought lucky to beat 3, Barron, better subs., fine deep front, rare short coupled bird, rich col. and qual., and fine cond.; 4, Stewart, nice size, good qual. col. and cond., fine head; 5, Gardner; 6, Jeffrey; 7, Burt; 8, Collie. BUFF (19): 1, Martin, grand size, subs., and qual., fine short coupled bird, lovely col., best of wings, stylish exhibit; 2, Kennedy, trifle longer in body, still, of good size, lovely qual., col. and cond., fine head and wing car.; 3, Kerr, grand size, fine head and neck, lovely qual., nicely frosted, Al cond., could do with more breadth; 4, Bell, equal size and qual., fine short wings and tail, neatly cut away behind, just falls head; 5, Collie; 6, Simpson; 7, Crawford; 8, Paling. YELL. HEN (12): 1, sp., Gardner, great size and subs., fine level col., nice short feather of excellent qual., neat wings, rare head, neck and chest, wins; 2, 7, Maxwell, 2nd, fine stamp, rare cobby shaped body, fine head and neck, excellent qual., col. and cond.; 3, sp., Chalmers, well up in size, good qual. and col., slightly corded in feather, and inclines to drop a wing; 4, Cairns, tkd. on neck, fine size and subs., good head and neck, even col., nice qual.; 5, French; 6, Martin; 8, Paling. BUFF (12): 1, Cairns, claimed at catalogue price, £5 5s., grand stamp, fine round head, thick neck, rare deep, broad chest, typical, clean cut away, excellent qual., good all over; 2, Taylor, close up, fine cobby shape, lovely qual., nicely mealed, neat, close-fitting wings; 3, Martin, same stamp, trifle smaller, grand qual. col. and cond., fine style; 4, Blair, we liked for 3, better head and size, very typical, Al qual. and cond.; 5, Maxwell; 6, Armour; 7, McAllister; 8, Heggie. VAR. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Houston, saddle mkd., rare stamp, good size, col. and cond.; 2, Braidwood, mkd. head, wing and rump, equal size, qual. col. and cond., neat flights, close up; 3, Blair, rump-mkd., fine size, excellent qual., grand front; 4, Grewar, right wing mkd., good size and subs., Al qual., trifle long behind; 5, Philip; 6, Smith; 7, Bell; 8, Braid. BUFF (10): 1, Naismith, fine head and cheeks, very fine qual. of feather, rich col., looks trifle long in barrel; 2, Anderson, good head and neck, lovely qual., fine flights and tail, nice front; 3, J. Taylor, equal in every respect, good Plainhead; 4, F. Taylor, green, fine type and ground col., good size; 5, Ward; 6, 8, Grewar; 7, Pitchford. NON-FED CK.: 1, 4, Grewar, 1st, great size, rare head and neck, bold, deep front, fine qual., cl. yell., full of go, stylish; 2, Wood, cl. buff, close up, fine round head, thick neck, grand

front, lovely qual., rare size and subs., short in flights; 3, Lawrie, cl. yell., fine head, neck and front, excellent qual., col. and cond.; 5, Naismith; 6, Cairns; 7, McLeod; 8, Malcolmson, grand class. HEN (18): 1, Martin, eye mkd. buff, grand type, fine deep front, good head and neck, lovely qual., nice short wings and tail, fine style; 2, Strachan, buff var., well up in size and subs., short body, grand qual., col. and cond., well placed; 3, Mitchell, close up, cl. buff, fine size, qual. and cond., trifle weak in head; 4, Gardner, gr., good stamp, fine size, qual. and col.; 5, Scobbie; 6, Winter; 7, McLeod; 8, Renwick. NOV. CK. (18): 1, Mathewson, tkd. buff, good head, neck and short cobby body, rare qual., col. and cond., leads well; 2, Begg and McCreadie, cl. yell., hot col., good qual., fine head and cheeks, deep front; 3, Lyall, cl. yell., fine type and size, grand qual., short body flights and tail; 4, Smith, grand stamp for a yell., good subs., qual. col. and cond.; 5, Strachan; 6, Drake; 7, Clark; 8, Blacklock. HEN (22): 1, Smith, fine, typical cl. buff, short coupled, fine round head, full neck, beautiful qual., col. and cond.; 2, Strachan, cl. buff, shade longer in body, fine head and neck, good qual., col. and fine short flights; 3, Pye, head and wings mkd., lovely qual., silky leather, well up in size; 4, Jardine, yell. var., fine short cobby body, good flights, qual. and col., well staged, behind in head; 5, Lawson and Son; 6, G. Chalmers; 7, Clark; 8, Davidson. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (20): 1, Harper, grand youngster, great size and subs., rare head and neck, hot, even col., best of qual., fine short body flights and tail; 2, Marshall, close up in all points, rare short cobby body, good size, qual., col. and cond.; 3, Grewar, again pressing, grand head and neck, bold front, excellent qual., col. in best of cond.; 4, Sanders, well up in size and subs., level col. throughout, not much between this lot; 5, Maxwell; 6, Smith; 7, Martin; 8, Mitchell. BUFF (25): 1, Adam, grand size and subs., bold head, neck and front, excellent qual., finely mealed; 2, Maxwell, close up, equal size, excellent qual., col. and cond., fine head and cheeks, nice short body, flights and tail; 3, Harper, same stamp, typical all over, and hard to separate; 4, Houston, again pressing, grand size, head, neck and front; 5, Chalmers, about equal to any in front for size, subs., qual. and cond., hot class; 6, Holliday; 7, Finnie; 8, Strachan. YELL. HEN (17): 1, sp., Grewar, beauty all over, grand head, fine deep chest, excellent qual. and clean cut away behind; 2, Chalmers, close up, rare head and cheeks, bold front, lovely qual., fine short body, flights and tail; 3, Allison, just behind a little in head, equal other respects; 4, Braid, grand hen for type, qual. and cond.; 5, Armour; 6, Kelly, Ayr; 7, Kelly, Isle of Man; 8, Scott. BUFF (19): 1, Chalmers, right, good stamp, typical, excellent qual., col. and cond., fine size, well put down; 2, Martin, short and cobby, fine head, front, col. and cond., close up; 3, Maxwell, Frizzle head, good size, excellent qual., fine short body, flights and tail, nice head and col.; 4, Young, mkd. head, fine tight feather of excellent qual.; 5, Maxwell; 6, Armour; 7, Grewar; 8, Hutchison. VAR. YELL. (9): 1, sp., 2, Maxwell, both cks., 1st, mkd. head and neck, grand size, subs., col. and cond., lovely qual., 2nd, heavier, mkd. very hot col., equal size and qual., short flights and tail, shade less subs.; 3, Armour, head and wing mkd., good size, col. and qual., fine deep front, close up; 4, Hutchison, equal size, qual. and col., good head, falls subs.; 5, Adam; 6, Potts; 7, Simpson; 8, Nohle. BUFF (21): 1, 2, Martin, lovely pair, 1st, almost even mkd. grand size, rare head, neck and front, lovely qual., finely mealed, 2nd, equal in every respect, will be hard to beat; 3, 4, Maxwell; 3, cobby shaped body, best of qual., finely mealed, shade weak in head, 4, might have changed places, better head, fine cobby body, good qual.; 5, Ward; 6, Gorrie; 7, Young; 8, Hirst. SELL. CKS. (18): 1, Hird; 2, Porteous; 3, Blacklock; 4, McLeod; 5, Dalgety; 6, Fulton; 7, Taylor; 8, Houston. HEN (18): 1, Hird; 2, Huggins; 3, Fulton; 4, Wood; 5, Anderson; 6, Jeffrey; 7, Renwick; 8, Kennedy.

In the five classes provided for Crests, entries were rather disappointing, only averaging seven per class, but still, qual. was very good; worthy of special mention were those shown by Mr. D. McLaren, Dumfermline, gaining 2 firsts, and 1 second, and his Crested cock, a marvelous bird of outstanding size and subs., and dense spread of veiny feather, winning the Jarvie cup for best bird in hall. Mr. A. Chalmers judged.

CREST CK. (9): 1, 2, sp., McLaren, grand size, good subs. of body, lovely, well radiated crest of fine silky feather, grand centre, and nice droop, wins well; 2, Lay, nearly gr., fine big bird, good subs., fine centre and droop, scarcely so dense, and could be better groomed; 3, McMillan, gr., just behind in size and subs., very fine crest, good centre and qual.; 4, Edwards, var., neat centre and droop, lacks size, and subs., of leaders; 5, Hamilton; 6, Nimmo; 7, Scott; 8, Brown. MEN (5): 1, McLaren, D.C., cl. body, well up in size, good body, plenty of feather, of fine qual., grand droop and centre; 2, 5, McLeay, 2nd, better size and subs., equal droop and centre, we liked for 1st., excellent qual. of feather; 3, Williamson, plenty of feather, neat centre, well groomed; 4, Lawson and Son; 5, Hamilton. CREST-BRED CK. (8): 1, Hamilton, grizzled head and wing, grand entrance and lashing, well over eyes, good size and subs.; 2, McLaren, var., equal size and subs., fine entrance, scarcely so well lashed, still, grand hen; 3, 8, McMillan, good in entrance and qual. of feather, neat lashing; 4, McLeay, very good in every way for a youngster; 5, McLeay; 6, Hamilton; 7, Adamson. SELL.: 1, Tweedie; 2, McMillan; 3, Sharp; 4, Lawson; 5, Adamson.

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The Border Fancies.

Borders were a wonderful collection, and a record for this society. Entries were more than double last year's. The splendid classification was fully taken advantage of, and the birds averaged about 20 per cent. giving this progressive body of officials every encouragement, which they richly deserve. Quality was a leading feature, and competition was very keen. The B.P.C.C. medal was won by G. Bennet, with a gem of yell. ck., about perfect in all points; he also secured the Motherwell cup over Yorks., and British, a very creditable performance.

YELL. CK. (20): 1, 4, sp., Bennet, beauty, and no mistake, typical in every way, rich, even col., line, close, short, silky feather, perfect wings and tail, nice easy car., wins; 2, Wilson, rich qual., col. and cond., best of wing car., and staged to perfection; 3, Broadfoot, excellent qual., col. and cond., well braced wings and tail, free uoiver; 4, Findlay, nice one, very fine feather and col., could be better staged; 5, Nairn; 6, Purvis; 7, McCreadie; 8, Fraser. BUFF: 1, Paterson, tld. head, fine round head and body, lovely qual., col. and cond., A1 order; 2, Auld, close up, excellent qual., best of wing and tail car., right stamp; 3, Bennet, very typical, fine car., staged in his usual grand style; 4, Purves, very neat and typical, silky feather, line bloom; 5, Wilson; 6, Mossie; 7, Coventry; 8, Krozen; excellent class. YELL. HEN (24): 1, sp., Paterson, right shape and weight, splendid qual., tight as a drum, well laid wings, free and easy style; 2, Stevenson, pleasing, equal shape, fine even col., well carried flights and tail, scarcely so good qual.; 3, Craig, very fine car., col. and cond.; 4, McCreadie, best of qual., col. and wing car., very little between these four; 5, Rentoul; 6, Purves; 7, Wilson; 8, Broadfoot. BUFF (21): 1, Purves, wee model, splendid qual., col. and wing car., fine jaunty car.; 2, Rentoul, grand round head and body, excellent qual., nicely mealed, splendid wings, well braced, close up; 3, Halliday, tld. head, sweetly made, fine head, free, easy car., lovely qual. of feather; 4, Auld, right stamp, very tight, silky feather, of excellent qual.; 5, Paterson; 6, Nairn; 7, Craig; 8, Thomson. EVEN MKD. (9): 1, 5, Haddow, we believe the well-known Palace winning yell., well-balanced markings, good qual. and wing car.; 2, Rentoul, close up in markings; buff, of rich qual., grand car.; 3, Findlay, Cinn. mkd., very neat, shade weak in head; 4, Hamilton, buff, nice qual., good car. VAR. YELL. (12): 1, Paterson, almost even mkd., fine found head and body, rich col. and qual., splendid wing car., good cond.; 2, Mossie, close up, eye, and wing mkd., lovely qual., col. and cond., grand shape, well braced wings; 3, Wilson, Cinn. mkd., excellent qual., col. and con., staged in A1 order, trifle weak in head; 4, Fraser, wing and eye mkd., fine, tight, short feather, of lovely qual.; 5, Duncau; 6, Weir; 7, Coventry; 8, Gemmell. BUFF (23): 1, Craig, a past winner, and still going strong, eyes and wing mkd., splendid qual., best of wing car., and right type; 2, 3, sp., Rentoul, 2, eyes, neck and wing mkd., nice round head, correct weight, splendid qual. and wing car.; 3, sp., wing mkd., fine texture of feather, very tight fitting wings, pipe tail, staged in good order; 4, Paterson, close at their heels, very fine, boxy feather, free mover, fine shape and con.; 5, Findlay; 6, Cobby; 7, Cunningham; 8, Clark; grand class. YELL. GR., or CINN. (22): 1, sp., 2, Wilson, Cinn., rich ground col., wonderfully well pencilled, sweetly made, fine wing car. and cond.; 3, Kilpatrick, gr., very rich, level tone of col., fine lacing and type; 4, Whitelaw, gr., nice head and wing car., beautiful col.; 5, 6, Harper; 7, Thomson; 8, Higgins. BUFF (17): 1, 2, Wilson, both Cinn., rich, sound col., sweetly made, rare fitting wings, pipe tails, in grand order; 4, Whitelaw, gr., might have changed places with 2nd, rich, level col., grand type and wing car. in the pink; 4, A. and W. Thomson, gr., close up, equal col. and lacing, well laid wings, fine jaunty car., A1 con.; 5, Reid; 6, Murphy; 7, Marshall; 8, Dods. SELL: 1, G. Bennet; 2, Crab and Findlayson; 3, Stevenson; 4, Paterson; 5, Gill; 6, Findlay; 7, Smith; 8, Higgins.

The Yorkshire Section.

YORKS. CL. OR TKD., YELL. CK. (17): 1, Hirst, nice size, fine even col., rich qual., neat car. and style, clean cut, fine leg and right pose; 2, Dykes, hard up for size and col., neat, shapely, well braced, tight up on leader; 3, Ogden Bros., hot even-col., nice subs., rare length and pos., not quite so perfect in wings; 4, Ross, plenty size and good qual., nice legs, soiled in plumage; 5, Jeffrey; 6, Priest; 7, Ferguson; 8, Girvan. BUFF (12): 1, Dykes, rare length, beautiful silky feather, tight and fit, well drawn; 2, Pinnock, well up on leader, nice length, good shape and car., not quite so clean underneath, still fine stamp; 3, Hirst, rare length, perfect car., clean cut and finely tapered, we liked as well as any; 4, Ogden Bros., grand col. and length, well drawn, fine car., not quite so clean at front; 5, Gray; 6, Peters; 7, McCreadie; 8, Kinnear. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Mason, fine type and feather, nice even col., neat car., wings, and tail, trifle soiled in plumage; 2, Buchanan, nice col., qual., shape, and taper, better than leader across back, fine pose, nicely staged, and well up for top place; 3, Steel bit soiled in plumage and soft when we saw it; 4, Park; 5, Bell; 6, McLellan; 7, Cochran; 8, Peters. BUFF (12): 1, McCreadie, grand qual. feather, had met with some misfortune, unable to stand on perch; 2, Dykes, topper for stock, grand subs., rich qual., neat, clean cut, well braced, staged to perfection; 3, Cochran, neat shape and car., just a little behind in subs.; 4, Lovie, good size and type, clean cut, neatly folded wings and tail, just behind in style; 5, Ogden Bros.; 6, Martin; 7, Gray; 8, Houston. VAR. CK. (9): 1, 3, Mason, leader, clinking yell., plenty size and subs., clean fronted, well drawn, nice car. and pos., very fit; 3, fine buff, nice type and subs., clean cut, neatly drawn, could be staged to better advantage; 2, Ogden Bros., hot col., rich qual., plenty length, stylish, not just so neat at top end; 4, Gray, griz cap yell., neat all over, good one, worth its place; 5, Steel; 6, McLellan; 7, Girvan; 8, Park. HEN (9): 1, Edwards, rare yell., grand size and type, clean and neatly built, fine taper and car., wins well; 2, Ogden Bros., buff, fine size and build, right stamp, neat and swanky, tight body form; 3, Tansey, yell. cinn. mark, grand col. and qual., had been washing; 4, Martin, nice qual. yell., fine texture feather, neat wings and tail, wants handling, inclined to crouch; 5, Sinclair; 6, Anderson; 7, Cochran; 8, Park. YELL. CK. 1914 (14): 1, Dykes, all there for type and qual., neat, well braced, sweet throughout, staged to perfection; 2, 4, Ferguson, former fine size and shape, nice car. and style., neat and proportionately built, could do with a pinch more subs.; 3, Ogden Bros., grand type and A1 col., sweet pose, clean and neatly dressed, value for 2nd place when we took notes; 5, Buchanan; 6, Telfer; 7, Marley; 8, Jeffrey. BUFF, 1914 (12): 1,

Ogden Bros., capital tick, grand size, rare length and shape, very typical, neat and swanky, perfect feather; 2, Gray, similarly mkd., stylish and neat, fine qual. feather, just behind leader in neck; 3, Dykes, nice one for size and type, fine leg and pos., not just so clean at front, or tight in feather; 4, Martin, nice size and col., good qual. and stylish, neat car., finely braced, runs 3rd hard; 5, 8, Park; 6, Ferguson; 7, Jeffrey. HEN, 1914 (24): 1, Ogden Bros., lovely size and qual., perfect car. and shape, neat, well drawn, laid down like boxwood; 2, Dykes, typical, right shape, neatly built and finely braced, not quite the qual. of leader; 3, Buchanan, good type and build, neat wings and tail, rather opener in feather than those in front; 4, Gray, fine qual. feather, neat wings and tail; 5, Hirst; 6, Park; 7, Pinnock; 8, McLellan. SELL, YORKS. (16): 1, 2, Mason; 3, Gray; 4, 7, Tansey; 5, Ferguson; 6, Jeffrey; 8, Ross.

Hybrids British & Foreign Birds.

DARK GOLDFINCH-CAN. MULE (12): 1, McQuiston, grand size, great col., very steady, perfect feather; 2, Jamieson, trifle larger, but not just so hot in col. or perfect in feather, good 2nd; 3, Gilchrist (Border King), more of the stamp of leader, and similar in size, glorious col., perfect feather, staged to perfection, must have pressed for 2nd; 4, Tolls, well up for size, steady, not so hot in col., nicely staged; 5, Scobbie; 6, Conkie and Loudon; 7, Guthrie and Son; 8, McCreadie. DK. LINNET OR GREENF. MULE (13): 1, 2, McQuiston, leader, fine jonque Linnet, hot in col., perfect feather, a topper in perfect trim; 2, fine, massive jonque Greenf., deep, rich col., tight and fit, might be a shade steadier; 3, Dewar, Greenf., nice cond., not so hot in col., but steadier, and nicely laid down; 4, Malcolmson, fine jonque Linnet, nice size and steady; just a trifle open in feather when we made our notes; 5, Davidson; 6, Webster; 7, H. Davidson; 8, Jamieson. A.O.V. CAN. MULE EXCEPT CAN-BULLF. (9): 1, 6, McQuiston, winner, good Tweed cross, grand size, rich ground col. and pencilling, steady, A1 cond.; 2, Gribben, Siskin, good size, rich col., nicely mkd., fine feather, shows cross well; 3, Jamieson, Siskin, well up for col. and markings, but lacks subs. of 2nd, still good; 4, Kelly, Siskin, perfect feather, not the size or col. of those in front; 5, Malcolmson; 7, McGavin; 8, Rolls. LIGHT MULE (8): 1, McQuiston, nice cheek and wing marked jonque Greenf., will improve; 2, Heggie, cl. Greenf., well-known winner, not in proper feather yet, requires handling to steady down; 3, 4, Jamieson, 4-pt. jonque and buff Goldf., leader, hot col., nice feather, good size and qual., just a trifle unsteady; 4, A1 cond., cheeks and wings mkd., also a little unsteady; 5, Thomson; 6, McGillivray Bros.; 7, Smith; 8, Webster. BULLF., HYB. (6): 1, Wallace, grand Can-Bullf., fine size and subs., rich col., nicely blended, perfect feather, capital cond.; 2, Fyfe, clinking Goldie-Bullie, fine size and markings, very steady and fit, runs hard up on leader; 3, Campbell, good Linnet-Bullie, fine size, richly blended markings, shows the cross well; 4, 5, Samson, both Linnet-Bullies, hotter in col., lack of size their only drawback; 6, Williamson. A.O. HYB. (8): 1, McQuiston, capital Goldie-Greenie, fine size and markings, shows cross plainly; 2, Wilson, beautiful little Siskin-Goldie, fine blend of col., steady and perky, perfect cond.; 3, Brownlie and Cook, similar, well up; 4, Roxburgh, Redpoll-Greenie, a nice little cross, though somewhat sombre in col., ehows the cross well; 5, Fyfe; 6, Mitchell; 7, Edwards; 8, Cranna. SELL, MULE OR HYB., 10s. (14): 1, McLaren; 2, Dewar; 3, Campbell; 4, Jamieson; 5, Bell; 6, Adam; 7, Scobbie; 8, Thomson. H.M. GOLDF. (14): 1, Palmer, topping Finch, square, deep crimson blaze, fine wings and markings, pure col., steady and well shown; 2, Stobb Bros., fine size and markings, steady, not just the depth of face or purity of white as winner; 3, Peden and Aehcroft, good all-round, bit wild; 4, Guthrie and Son fine Finch, steady as a rock, more size than 3rd, better face, good col. and markings, might have gone up; 5, Lees; 6, Lawson and Son; 7, Laurie; 8, Thomson. F.M. (11): 1, McDermid, grand col., fine blaze, neat wings, and buttons, rich yellows, immovable as a rock, really a little beauty; 2, Reid Bros., grand size and col., up-standing, loses in blaze and steadiness; 3, 5, Pitchford, leader, just a shade smaller, good col., nice markings, behind in blaze; 4, Chalmers, fine size and dense col., rich markings and pure in whites, fails in steadiness, should improve and be good one yet; 6, Connelly; 7, Henderson; 8, Watson. BULLF. (11): 1, McQuiston, topper all over, grand size and col., rare expansive, jet black cap and nice bars, staged in the well-known style; 2, Davidson, very little if any behind in size and subs., quite up in col. and cond., nicely staged, runs hard for 1st place; 3, 6, Woods, fine col. and cond., steady, presses hard up; 4, Tomlinson; 5, Craig, both nice Finches, very similar in merit and little to divide, very even class; 7, Thomson; 8, Brown. H.M. LINNET (18): 1, 2, McQuiston, grand size and cond., richly pencilled, very steady, leader excels in breast work; 3, Lees, hard up for size and cond., not quite so profuse in pencilling, or so steady as those in front; 4, Jamieson, nice cond., finely pencilled, rather behind in subs.; 5, Pitchford; 6, Smith; 7, Taylor; 8, Wason. F.M. (15): 1, Greig, topper for a wild one, fine size, nice ground col. and pencilling, with care and another moult should take some stopping, quickly claimed at catalogue price; 2, 3, Reid Bros., leader good one, fine size, steady, well pencilled, not just so rich in ground col., otherwise well up; 3, good one, just behind a trifle in subs.; 4, Conkie and Loudon, nice cond. and feather, but loses ground in size; 5, 6, Thomson, a hot lot in this class; 7, Laurie; 8, McQuiston. SISKIN (16): 1, Calder, topper for col. and markings, richly pencilled, fine cap and wings, little beauty, steady, perfect feather; 2, Nicolson, well up for size, very steady, not just so hot in col. and profuse in pencilling; 3, Smith, not quite the subs. of leader, still a good one; 4, Livingstone; 5, Conkie and Loudon, very similar to 3rd, and little to decide between; 6, Porteous; 7, Campbell; 8, Brownlie and Cook. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (12): 1, Conkie and Loudon, Twite, fine size, rich ground col., fine pencilling, steady; 2, McQuiston, Twite, well up on leader for col. and pencilling, perfect

feather, steady, just beaten in size and subs.; 3, Quinn, fine Mealy, good size and subs., nicely pencilled, sound in col., steady and well staged; 4, Nicholson, good Twite, nice cond.; 5, McGavin; 6, Nelson; 7, Watson; 8, Trotter. LESSEK REDPOLL (21): 1, Boag, little beauty, rich ground col., finely pencilled, neat bib, steady, a good one; 2, Brownlie and Cook, rather more subs. than leader, but not so dense in ground col., pencilling, fine bib and poll, nicely placed; 3, Conkie and Loudon, good size and cond., not so richly pencilled; 4, McQuiston, trifle smaller, similar in markings to 3rd; 5, E. Taylor; 6, Johnstone; 7, Wason; 8, Nicolson. H.M. GREENF. (18): 1, 3, Campbell, leader, good jonque, not a monster, capital cond., nice col., steady; 3rd, top cond., loses in size only; 2, Linton, grand buff, fine size and subs., nice qual., steady, in A1 order; 4, Sykes; 5, Jeffrey, very similar; 6, Boag; 7, Wright; 8, Aitken. CHAFFINCH (9): 1, 4, Sykes, leader, a clinker all over, topping size, distinct markings, steady; 4, hard up for 3rd place, bit rough in feather; 2, Adams, nice size and col., not just the size or subs. of leader; 3, Selkirk, not so massive in build, staged in capital style; 5, Russell; 6, McGillivray Bros.; 7, Loan; 8, Cowan. BRAMBLE (13): 1, 6, Sykes, leader, clinker all over, topper for size and markings, steady and perfect, well-known face; 2, Conkie and Loudon, grand col. and spangling, not just the subs. of leader; 3, Galloway, hard up for size and col., not so tight in feather; 4, Lawrie, nice one for col. and spangling, bit unsteady; 5, Dickson; 7, Selkirk; 8, Conachan. YELLOWHAMMER (15): 1, 6, Raith, leader, nice one, fine size and distinct head lines, steady, perfect feather, wins; 2, Watson, well up in size and cond., fine feather, not so distinct in markings; 3, McGillivray Bros., rather smaller, capital cond., nice head lines, well placed; 4, Livingstone, nice one, in fine cond., presses hard on 3rd; 5, Bell; 7, Watson; 8, Cowan. A.O.V. BUNTING OR FINCH (6): 1, Sykes, capital Hawfinch, magnificent size, very steady, A1 cond.; 2, Arnott, champion Corn Bunting, rich in ground col., finely mkd., capital size and cond., very steady; 3, Winter, rich coloured Hawfinch, very steady, a beauty, only behind in size; 4, Brown, fine Ortolan Bunting, Rutherford British cup winner, not looking so well today; 5, 6, McCloy. SOFTBILL, SMALL (6): 1, 3, 4, E. Taylor, leader, well known Black Redstart, in superb cond., like paint, a perfect beauty without doubt; 2, Sorbie, capital Wagtail, staged faultlessly; 3, Redstart, often described, a perfect specimen; 4, Yell. Wag., just slightly damaged in flight feather, otherwise without blemish; 5, Watson; 6, Anderson. LARGE (8): 1, McQuiston, famous Chough, in magnificent plumage, rare size, shining like velvet, wearing well; 2, Adams, handsome Blackbird (Rob Roy), capital size and rich jet col., bright amber beak, a topper; 3, Sykes, fine Chough, very steady, behind leader only in size; 4, Greig, fine Thrush, grand size and ground col., nicely speckled breast, grand feather and style; 5, Melvin; 6, McCorrison; 7, Loan; 8, Williamson. BULLF. HEN (13): 1, Cranna, beauty, in rich cond., feather tight and good, fine col., neat bars and cap; 2, McQuiston, equal in size and col., and little to separate them; 3, Smith, good one for col. and cond., loses a trifle in subs.; 4, Sykes, nice one, quite the equal of 3rd, and must have pressed; 5, Mills; 6, Greig; 7, Woods; 8, Davidson. SEED-EATING HEN (17): 1, McQuiston, fine Corn, in nice feather, very steady and well shown; 2, Campbell, fine Greenf., steady, good size and subs.; 3, Anderson, Hawfinch, great size for a hen, nice feather, steady, fine markings and subs.; 4, Wason, Linnet, nice size and pencilling, fine cond., steady; 5, 8, Craig; 6, Trotter; 7, Pirrie. SELL (8): 1, Morrison; 2, Palmer; 3, Campbell; 4, Watt; 5, Lees; 6, Chalmers; 7, Henderson; 8, Steel. FOR. GOLDF. (13): 1, Adams, capital Finch, rare col., pure marks, fine expansive square cut blaze, plenty of yell. in wings, nicely buttoned, faultless cond.; 2, Roy, beauty, quite the equal of leader, and must have been difficult to separate; 3, Mills, nice col. and marks, fails only in depth and squareness of blaze; 4, Watson, trifle larger, nice col., steady, but fails in blaze; 5, Ritchie; 6, Campbell; 7, Henderson; 8, Lawson and Son. SMALL (5): 1, McCreadie, handsome Yellow-wing Sugarbird; 2, 3, 5, Arnott, leading with lovely Gold-fronted Honey-sucker, in faultless style; 3, Jackson's Whydah, perfect plumage, seldom seen; 4, Woods, capital Bullie, rare size and col., plenty subs., rich qual. and markings. LARGE (3): 1, Muir, Eclectus Parrot, perfect feather and cond., rare size; 2, Morrison, well-known winning Bloodwing, in grand feather, often described; 3, Fraser, beautiful pair Rosellas, in fine feather.

BOWLING B.F.A.

Show, Napoleon Hotel Oct. 24. Seventy-one birds were judged by Mr. W. Morement, who gave entire satisfaction. OPEN, CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Pacey; 2, 3, 4, Robinson. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Padgett. YELL. HEN: 1, Padgett; 2, 4, Pacey; 3, Thomson. BUFF: 1, 4, Robinson; 2, 3, Bleyard. UNFLIG: 1, Thompson. EVEN, ETC., CK.: 1, Pacey; 2, 3, Padgett; 4, Thompson. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Padgett; 4, Robinson. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Sharp; 2, Pownall. BUFF: 1, Sharp; 2, Pownall; 3, Wood and Mirfield; 4, Wardman. YELL. HEN: 1, Sharp; 2, Wood and Mirfield. BUFF: 1, 4, Pownall; 2, Wardman; 3, Sharp. UNFLIG: 1, Sharp; 2, 3, Wardman. EVEN, ETC., CK.: 1, Hodgson; 2, Pownall; 3, Sharp; 4, Wood and Mirfield. HEN: 1, Nicholl; 2, Sharp; 3, Wood and Mirfield; 4, Pownall.—J. Nicholl, Sec.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.

Members' Show, Oct. 20, Park Chapel Schools, New Cross-st.; 90 birds were judged by Mr. A. Cooper, who gave general satisfaction. Some of the winners looked well, and should be heard of later. Specials for most entries was won by Wilkinson Bros., W. Laycock being second.

CLASS 1 (4): 1, Stables; 2, Northrop; 3, Laycock; 4, Wilkinson Bros. CLASS 2 (2): 1, 2, Wilkinson Bros. CLASS 3 (5): 1, 2, Farrar; 3, Northrop; 4, vhc, Wilkinson Bros. CLASS 4 (3): 1, Farrar; 2, Northrop; 3, Stables. CLASS 5 (6): 1, 2, Wilkinson Bros.; 3, 4, Northrop; vhc, Farrar; hc, Laycock. CLASS 6 (6): 1, 2, Laycock; 3, Farrar; 4, vhc, Northrop; hc, Stables. CLASS 7 (6): 1, Wilkinson Bros.; 2, hc, Laycock; 3, 4, Farrar; vhc, Northrop. CLASS 8 (8): 1, 2, Farrar; 3, vhc, c, Wilkinson Bros.; 4, Stables; hc, Laycock. CLASS 9 (4): 1, Hudson; 2, Walker; 3, Myers; 4, Spencer. CLASS 10 (5): 1, Walker; 2, 3, Myers; 4, S. Taylor; vhc, Metcalfe. CLASS 11 (4): 1, Wroe; 2, 4, Bousfield; 3, Taylor Bros. CLASS 12 (8): 1, Bousfield; 2, Taylor; 3, Wroe; 4, vhc, Wheelwright; hc, Myers; c, Metcalfe. CLASS 13 (6): 1, Taylor Bros.; 2, 3, Bousfield; 4, Walker; vhc, Wroe; hc, Verity. CLASS 14 (4): 1, Spencer; 2, Walker; 3, Wheelwright; 4, Wroe. CLASS 15 (9): 1, Taylor; 2, 3, Wroe; 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Hudson; hc, Walker; c, Spencer. CLASS 16 (6): 1, 2, Bousfield; 3, 4, Taylor Bros.; vhc, Wheelwright; hc, Wroe. CLASS 17 (2): 1, 2, Laycock. CLASS 18 (2): 1, 2, Laycock.—W. Cruise,

HAYLE.

Second Annual Show, Parochial Hall, Nov. 23. The room is well adapted for a show, plenty of light and free from draught. The birds were well staged in three tiers at just the right height. Norwich came up well, the cream of the fancy being staged. Yorks. were below the average, but still some good birds put in their appearance. The A.O.V. class was splendid, the winning Crest being a champion. We cannot speak too highly of the Committee, who did everything for the comfort of the exhibitors and exhibitors. The Hon. Sec., Mr. A. T. Coombe, is the right man in the right place, a smile and cheerful word for all. Mr. C. H. Toy (Truro) judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

CL. YELL. (9): 1, Howard, grand type and qual., good wing, nice col.; 2, Andrew, nice col. and type, good head, good wings and tail; 3, Collins, good type, nice wing car., good qual.; 4, Symons Bros., vhc, Hoskin Bros.; hc, Sherman. BUFF (10): 1, Howard, tld. neck, good type, nice col.; 2, Collins, quite a model, good head and neck, lovely wing car. and col., our choice; 3, Andrew, good type and qual., nice wing car., good head and neck; 4, Symons Bros.; vhc, Faulkner; hc, Kemp; c, Scobbie. MKD. OR VAR. (12): 1, Keen, heavily varieg. yell., nice type and qual., good head and neck; 2, vhc, Sherman, buff, mkd. wing, good type and qual., lovely wing car.; 3, Symons Bros., mkd. neck, yell., good head and neck, nice wings; 4, Pope; hc, c, Coombe. UNFLIG. (17): 1, 2, c, Howard, 1st yell. varieg. good type and qual., nice wings and tail, good col., 2nd bill, even mkd. eyes and wings, good whigs and tail, lovely qual. and type; 3, Rowe and Richards, buff varieg., good head and neck, nice wings and tail, nice col.; ex. 3, Strout, cl. yell., good size and col.; 4, Collins; vhc, Sherman; hc, Waters. HEN (11): 1, Strout, yell., grand type and qual., nice head and neck, pale in col.; 2, Pope, grizzle back buff, good type and qual., nice wings and tail; 3, Keen, mkd. head, yell., good col., wings and tail, nice type; 4, Andrew; vhc, Collom; hc, Trevorror; c, Howard. YORKS. YELL. (13): 1, Andrew, cl., well up on leg, good back and wings; 2, Nicholls, good wings, back and tail, nice cond.; 3, 4, Boundy, good head, neck and back, nice tail, 4th nice type and qual.; vhc, Harris; hc, Peters; c, Eddy. BUFF (8): 1, Boundy, cl., good col., well up on leg, nice braced wings and tail; 2, Andrew, good head, neck and back, lovely wings and tail; 3, hc, Peters, tld. tbig, nice col. and tail, good legs and cond.; 4, Nicholls; vhc, Harris; c, Thomas. MKD. (7): 1, 2, Oatey, both var. yell., nice back, wings and tail, good col.; 2nd nice col., good legs, stands well; 3, Boundy, var. buff, good head, back and wings, bit down; 4, hc, Hosken; vhc, Thomas. UNFLIG. (15): 1, Ellis, cl. yell., well up on leg, good length, nice back and tail; 2, Boundy, yell., good head, back and wings, nice tail; 3, Harris, tld. eye, buff, very sweet, good length, well up; 4, ex 4, Thomas; vhc, Nicholls; hc, Reynolds; c, Peters. HENS (14): 1, 3, Ellis, buff, sweet hen, nice head, back and wings, nice tail, stands well, 3rd yell., good qual., nice wings and tail; 2, 4, Boundy, buff, nice tail, good wings, nice heads; vhc, Andrew; hc, Craven; c, Eddy. A.O.V. (12): 1, 2, Symons Bros., even mkd. D.C., grand drop and leafy feather, 2nd cl. body D.C., lovely body, good frontal and nice feather; 3, ex 4, Collins, yell. Cinn., lovely col. and type, well pencilled; 4, c, Lee; vhc, Pope; hc, Dunston. PARKS (12): 1, Kemp, clears, good type and qual., lovely pair; 2, Ellis, Yorks, yell. cock and tld. hen, lovely pair, sweet hen; 3, Andrew, well matched; 4, Rowe and Richard; vhc, hc, Howard; c, Symons. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, spl. 2, 3, vhc, Collins, four-pointed yell., well mkd., good col., 2nd cl. Goldie, nice size and col., sweet exhibit, 3rd var. Greenf., grand size and col.; hc, Symons Bros. MULES, DK. (5): 1, vhc, hc, Rowe and Richards, yell. Goldie, good blaze and wings, nice size and col.; 2, 3, Collins, 2nd yell., Twite, good size, col. and markings, 3rd buff Goldf., good Nor. type, grand blaze, nicely mkd. GOLDF. (10): 1, 3, hc, Coombe, grand blaze and moons, lovely tannings, well buttoned, good size, 3rd hardly up in col., nice wings, good buttons; 2, Polkinghorne, nice chest, good moons and buttons, hardly up, grand Finch when ready; 4, Collins; vhc, Hosking; c, Found. BULLF. (9): 1, vhc, hc, Polkinghorne, good size and col., nice cap, good wings; 2, c, Coombe, lovely cap and bib, nice wing, little pale in col.; 3, Crewe, good cap, nice wings and col.; 4, Evans. GREENF. (8): 1, 2, Rowe and Richards, yell., good size, nice wings and col., 2nd buff, good type, well mkd. wings; 3, Honeychurch, buff, good size, wings, nicely mkd.; 4, vhc, Coombs, yell., very chubby, nice col.; hc, Berriman; c, Pascoe. HARD-BILL (5): 1, 2, vhc, Rowe and Richards, Yellow Bunting, good lovely col., 2nd Cirl Bunting, well mkd., lovely col., very steady; 3, Collins, Bramble, well spangled, nice col.; hc, Lugg. HEN (HARD-BILL) (7): 1, Lugg, Hawfinch, good col. and bib, nice wings; 2, 4, Rowe and Richards, Siskin, well mkd. flanks, nice col., and good Greenf.; 3, Collins, Hawfinch, lovely feather and col., nice bib; vhc, c, Coombe; hc, Dale. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, 3, Collins, Yellow Wag., lovely col., well known, 2nd Hawfinch, lovely bib, nice wings, good col., and Blackcap, good col., nice cap, very steady; vhc, Rowe and Richards. FOR.: 1, 2, Dunstan, Pekin Nightingale, lovely col. and cond., and Black-headed Gouldian, lovely col.; 3, Philp, Paradise Whydah, nice tail, little soft; vhc, Rowe and Richards; hc, Howard. SELL.: 15/-: 1, Symons; 2, Martin; 3, Howard; 4, Smale. 10s.: 1, Symons; 2, Martin; 3, Strout; 4, Oatey. LOCAL: NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Coombe; hc, Rowe and Richards. YORKS.: 1, Ellis; 2, 4, Oatey; 3, Stephens; hc, Rowe and Richards. YORKS. 1914: 1, Ellis; 2, Stephens; 3, 4, Oatey; vhc, hc, Coombe. NAT. COL.: 1, Oatey; vhc, King. BRIT.: 1, 2, Rowe and Richards.

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Bradford Fanciers Hold Another Splendid Charity Show.

The Bradford National Show is the only established fixture in the country that is run with a charitable object. This it is which has given it a position and influence of the most unique character in past years. In this year of war its distinctive character has been lost, for the majority of our shows have been run for the benefit of one or other of the big charitable funds that the great war has brought into being. Thus the executive had their chief claim for support removed. At the time, too, when the arrangements had to be made, it was impossible to foresee how the war would affect the Fancy. The Committee courageously decided to carry on, but economy was entered upon, and wisely so, because it seemed impossible to expect great outside support.

The Fancy responded nobly, however, and on Saturday last 606 exhibits faced the judges in 48 classes. When one remembers that another show which was being held within ten miles attracted over 500 exhibits it can readily be seen that had the fixture been held as of yore on an open date it would again have proved "a winner." It was a success now, a success which reflects great credit upon the fanciers of Bradford and district, nearly the whole of the exhibits coming from the immediate neighbourhood. So heartily did the men of Bradford stand by the show that at Halifax there were only three exhibitors, and twelve exhibits from Worstedopolis. "Charity begins at home." Six-hundred odd entries is a result of which the executive may well be proud.

The Men in Charge.

Who were the men who, like our lads in France, fought against great odds and conquered? At their head stood Mr. H. H. Towers—like good old Bobs, a little man with a big heart, and a great sense of duty. We missed some of the old stalwarts—Horatio Hill, H. Simonett, and Fred Hammond. But they found worthy successors in Mr. S. Midgley, who filled the important role of secretary, and his three splendid assistants Messrs. H. Grange, F. P. Terry, and E. H. Wetherill, whilst Mr. G. White looked after the finances. This quintet played their part well. As in past years the work was well split up amongst the committee, who each undertook certain duties and were responsible for their efficient fulfilment. Railway—Messrs. J. Holroyd, E. Neeson, E. Butterfield, G. A. Bennett, G. Sneed, H. Clayton, W. Ellis, and J. Dickinson. Staging and Judging—Messrs. E. Cowgill, J. Greaves, W. Crowther, H. Long, F. P. Terry, J. Holroyd, and F. Grange. Door—F. Hill, E. Butterfield, A. Bennett, H. Clayton, J. Dickinson, and W. E. Wetherill, whilst the construction and fixing of the staging was superintended by Mr. W. H. Whitham. They may be congratulated upon the success of their labours, and upon the true British spirit in which they attacked them.

Amongst the Exhibits.

Over 530 of the exhibits were Yorkshire Canaries, so that it was essentially a Yorkshire show, and a wonderfully fine show too. The cup for best Yorks. was won by Mr. L. Dykes with his noted unevenly-mkd. yellow, which was in the pink of condition and made a rare good winner. Mr. Dykes had a good day out, as he also scored five 1sts, three 2nds, three 3rds, one 4th, and the special for most points in any one class. Messrs. Ogdon Bros. were the runners-up for the best bird cup with an unflinching buff, a gem, quite the best which has been seen out this season. The four young bird classes were indeed splendid. By the way, those who argue that the present-day Yorkshire winners are too big and stout had their contention endorsed to the hilt at this show. Many of the open class winners were not only longer, but also stouter than the birds in the two stock classes. Some very typical high quality birds were to be seen in the cinnamon-mkd. section, but greens made a moderate show, apart from Mr. Metcalfe's team. That gentleman supplied a dozen out of the thirty birds staged.

The Opening Ceremony.

The Lord Mayor had been announced to open the show, but he was prevented by official duties, whilst Mr. G. H. Pauling, who was to have taken the chair, has obeyed the call of his King and Country, and is off to the front. In their absence, Mr. John Emsley, who has ever been a consistent supporter of the Bradford National Show, took the chair, whilst Mrs. Emsley performed the opening ceremony. In his remarks Mr. Emsley referred to the noble work in which the committee were engaged. We could not keep England strong unless we looked after the children—the men and women of to-morrow.

Mrs. Emsley, in declaring the show open, expressed the pleasure it gave her to be present to help on the good work, and hoped the show would be a success. Mr. Wetherill proposed, and Mr. Midgley seconded, a vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Emsley, and this was supported by Mr. Gill, the secretary of the Bradford Cinderella Club, who expressed the thanks of his committee for the assistance which the fanciers of Bradford had given to their charity. He commended their work, and trusted it would continue to prosper.

We hear later from Mr. Midgley that Mr. Oldham's dark Mule was protested against as being in the wrong class, and was disqualified. The general opinion in the show seemed to be that it was a Linnet-Canary. Mr. Mundell, the judge, however, held that it was a Linnet-Twite. All the other winners were moved up. The winner of the guinea special for most points by an exhibitor residing out of Yorkshire, was Mr. J. W. Metcalfe, with his team of Greens. All prize money was paid during the evening to those exhibitors attending the show. The show closed at 7, and all the birds were packed and got away, and the room cleared by 8 p.m., the long-distance birds being sent off first.

Mr. P. Mason's Classes.

YORKS. CL., ETC., BUFF (10): 1, Ogdon Bros., long raking bird, capital head, back and shoulders, stands well up, fine silky feather, grand tail, shade heavy in wings; 2, Thomas, plenty of length, but not so typical, more subs., close in feather, rare legs, wings and tail; 3, Drake, bold and swaggering, rare shape and style, well up on legs, close in feather; 4, Self, smart, stylish, and shapely, good nerve, hardly so tight in feather, good wings and tail; vhc, Dyson; he, Kirk; c, Dykes. TKD. BUFF (11): 1, Beaumont, cheek mkd., fine close feather, neat head, good neck and shoulders, nice level back, well braced wings and tail, gets well hold of perch, shows like a soldier; 2, Dykes, faintly tkd. neck, neater and slimmer in build, lovely silky feather, grand shaped head, well tapered body, finely finished all through; 3, Pomfret, tkd. head, capital shape and style, very nicely drawn, gets well up on legs; 4, Crawhall, grizzled head, long straight head, good wings and tail, bit on the strong side;

vhc, Ogdon Bros.; he, T. Bennett; c, Lunn. BUFF HEN (18): 1, Hill, fine head, lovely feather, almost perfection in wing and tail carr., handles well and shows for all she is worth, shapely but quite stout enough; 2, Towers, long raking head, grand feather, hardly so fine in head, rare style, wings and tail, also stout enough; 3, Clegg, much finer drawn, better tapered in body, fine head, wings and tail, not quite so tight in front; 4, Crawhall, smart and shapely, capital legs, neat wings and tail, not over clean, and possibly this kept her back; vhc, Whitely; he, Crabtree; c, Ogdon Bros. UNFLIG. BUFF (22): 1, res, best in show, Ogdon, a gem, and no mistake, fine shapely head, long well filled neck, closely set shoulders, tightly braced wings and tail, tight as a Java, plenty of style and knows how to show it; 2, Beaumont, eye tkd., plenty of length, more subs., well carried wings and tail, well up on leg, not so nicely rounded in head; 3, Dykes, wealth of col., neat head, shiu, well tapered body, plenty of leg, grand carr., not so tight in front; 4, Shackleton, another tkd., rubbed hard against the Ramsden tin, shapely, good length, but would not stand; vhc, Peel; he, J. Taylor; c, Farrar. UNFLIG. BUFF HEN (17): 1, Ogdon Bros., long stylish head, plenty of leg and uses it well, neat head, good back and shoulders, capital wings and tail; 2, 3, Dykes, wonderful feather, grand wing carr., but inclined to spread tail, and this caused her to go down, we heard, very nicely finished body, 3rd much neater and finer drawn, but hardly the length, lovely silky feather, splendidly piped tail; 4, Greenwood, rare pos., and feather, well braced wings and tail, on the stout side; vhc, Priestley; he, Gill; c, P. Hirst. STOCK BIRD, £3 LIMIT (7): 1, Ellis, fine racy yell., good head and neck, rare wings and tail, but much smaller than some of the open winners; 2, Greenwood, shapely, fine feathered, stylish buff, stout in body; 3, Butterfield, long raking buff, plenty of leg, good wings and tail, bit open in front; 4, Reed, smart, shapely, well feathered, stylish yell.; vhc, Farrar; he, Watts; c, Sunderland. VAR. IEG. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, young eye, neck and wing mkd., grand head, neck and shoulders, beautiful wings and tail, grandly feathered and rare shape, but not quite the length nor the style of his father, which won in the yell. class; 2, Thomas, very hot eye, cheek and wing mkd., good top end, plenty of style, nicely feathered, hardly so fine in waist; 3, Bennett, eye and wing mkd., a bird we liked well, full of good Yorks. properties and knows how to show them, well made and well finished; 4, Hall, very hot eye and wing mkd., beautifully feathered, very stylish and showy, hardly so much length; vhc, Whitley; he, Crawhall; c, Morrison. VARIEG. BUFF HEN (8): 1, Towers, mkd. head, chest and wings, nicely modelled and clothed and has plenty of style, neat wings and tail; 2, Darlington Bros., a real clipper, mkd. eye, wing and vent, wonderfully built, and clothed with a coat of the finest silk, very compact wings and tail, we liked immensely; 3, Sheard, eye and wing mkd., nice top end, good legs, wings and tail, plenty of style, not so neat in waist; 4, Lingard, eye, cheek and wing mkd., very shapely, good wings and tail, grand feather, nice pair of legs, but shy and wild when handled; vhc, Morrison; he, Brown; c, Dykes. CINN. MKD. BUFF (10): 1, c, Atkinson and Firth, head, eye and wing mkd., plenty of length, good legs, wings and tail, bit open in front; 2, Towers, wing mkd., very smart and stylish, grandly modelled, well braced wings and tail, well up on perch, nicely finished, hard lines; 3, Cooper, eye, cheek and wing mkd., long and stylish bird, grand wings and tail, very shapely, well feathered, we liked immensely; 4, vhc, Morrison, hardly the length, but rare col. and feather, capital wings and tail, mkd. on neck and wing; he, T. Bennett. CINN. MKD. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Dykes, very heavily mkd., fine for shape, style and feather, neat head, close fitting shoulders, tightly braced wings and tail; 2, Thomas, eye, cheek, and wing mkd., hardly so slim, but grand style and feather, carries more col.; 3, vhc, Morrison, mkd. eye, shoulder and wings, nice shape and feather, good length, nice wings and tail, not quite so steady; 4, c, Towers, head, eye and wing mkd., a sweet stylish bird that we liked much, grandly modelled, full of qual.; he, Casey. BUFF (7): 1, 4, Handley, shapely body, good style, capital wings and tail carr., sound col., rather heavy in head, 4th foul on back of head, nice shape, style and feather, hardly so green in col.; 2, he, Skilling, bold and stylish, nice col., hardly so fine and silky in feather; 3, vhc, c, Metcalfe, very rich grassy col., fine silky feather, very typical and full of style, we liked as well as any. BUFF HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Metcalfe, a clean sweep with a splendid trio of smart, racy, typical birds excelling in feather and col., 1st the best in col., 2nd the most shapely, 3rd lost in her wing carriage; 4, Skilling; vhc, Handley; he, Abbott.

Mr. H. Sutcliffe's Classes.

CL., ETC., YELL. YORKS. (17): 1, Towers, cl., wonderful length, rich level col., stands like a Guardsman, nice head, wings and tail perfect, A1 pos., shown in best cond., gem; 2, Dyson, cl., nice length, full of nerve, rich col., neat wings and tail; 3, Dykes, cl., rare length and style, lovely qual., sound col., very unsteady; 4, c, Ogdon Bros., cl., very long and stylish, slim, grand col. and qual., stands well; vhc, Amblers; he, Lane. TKD. YELL. (10): 1, Dr. Craig, cheek tkd., grand length, feathered like glass, sound col., stands correct on best of legs, nice shaped head, wings, and tail, well braced; 2, Clegg, lovely qual., grand head, well fitting wings and tail, rich col.; 3, Ogdon Bros., wing tkd., very slim and stylish, level col., neat wing carr., pipe tail; 4, Hirst, griz. head, very breezy, full of nerve, sound col., loses in qual.; vhc, Sneed; he, Everett; c, Cooper. CL. OR TKD. YELL., HEN (12): 1, Amblers, cl., grand length, nice round head, full neck, good back, wings and tail, well carr., level col., stands correct on good legs, wings; 2, Bennett, another nice lady, excels in col., lovely qual., neat wings and tail; 3, Shackleton, cl., very long and stylish, beautiful feather, rather pale; 4, Casey, cl., rare length and style, nice qual., fails in cond., will improve; vhc, Dr. Craig; he, F. Taylor; c, Ogdon Bros. UNFLIG. YELL. (24) good class: 1, F. Self, cl., wonderful length, rich level col., grand head, neck and shoulders, wings and tail perfect, nicely drawn, rare qual., longest out this season, a real Yorkie; 2, Dykes, cl., lovely qual., grand head and neck, very slim and stylish, neat wing carr.; 3, Dewhurst, cl., very racy, full of nerve, rare type and qual., shown well; 4, Hirst, tkd., nice shape and style, feathered like glass, beaten in length; vhc, Shackleton; he, Dr. Craig; c, Bennett. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (8): 1, vhc, Dykes, cl., plenty of length, feathered like a Java, correct pos., nice head, wings and tail, well placed, rich sound col., nicely drawn, staged in best cond.; 2, Hirst, tkd., lovely qual., grand head, neck, wings, and tail, A1 pos.; 3, Ogdon Bros., cl., very stylish, nice col., grand head, will improve; 4, Walsh, cheek tkd., nice, shapely hen, lovely qual., very unsteady; vhc, Greenwood; c, Crawhall. STOCK BIRD (A.V.) (11): 1, Helliwell, yell. wing tkd., grand length, very tightly feathered, rare shape and style, wings and tail well carr., rich col., stands well up; 2, Priestley, var. yell., rare length and style, sound col., silky feather; 3, Crabtree, cl., very long and nice drawn bird, level col., neat wings and tail; 4, Bailey, cl. buff, grand shape and style, lovely qual., rather strong; vhc, Hill; he, Dr. Craig; c, Shackleton. GREEN MKD. YELL. (13): 1, he, Dykes (noted winner) even ukd., wonderful length, lovely qual., rich, sound col., nice head, rare wing carr., stands correct on best of legs, wings; 2, Clegg, even mkd., rare length, very slim and racy, rich col., neat wing carr.; 3, Hall, even mkd., plenty of length, nice shape and style, fails in cond.; 4, Drake, mkd. eyes and wing, grand shape and style, nice col. and qual., short of training; vhc, c, Pickup and Son; c, Morrison. GREEN MKD. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Dykes, even mkd., nice length, feathered like wax, nice head, neck, grand shaped body, rich col., neat wings and tail, put down in fine cond.; 2, Sheard, grand qual., very stylish wings and tail, well placed; 3, Casey, shows breed, full of nerve, rare qual., neat wings, pipe tail; 4, Priestley, lovely qual., very slim and stylish, rather shorter; vhc, Towers; he, Hall; c, Lumb. CINN. TKD. OR VAR. YELL. (8): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Towers (fine team), 1, wing tkd., grand length, feathered like glass, rich col., grand head, full neck, rare wing carr., gem; 2, beautiful shape and style, well fitting wings and tail, A1 pos.; 3, nice length, rich col., beaten cond.; 4, Thomas, var., rare shape and style, grand qual., unsteady; he, Binns; c, Hudson. YELL. HENS (14): 1, Binns, even mkd., not the largest, but unbeatable for shape and qual., neat head, wings, and tail, feathered like wax; 2, Ross, lovely qual., grand wing carr., pipe tail, fails in pos.; 3, he, Towers, rare shape and style, lovely feather, rather stronger; 4, Dykes, even mkd., very slim and stylish, silky feather, close up; vhc, Hodgson; c, Bennett. SELF OR FOUL YELL. (Non-Fld) (9): 1, Jones, self, wonderful length, beautiful col., real Yorkie type, nicely drawn, grand head on good shoulders, well placed wings and tail, A1 pos.; 2, c, Skelling, foul, very stylish, rare qual., stands well, beaten in length; 3, 4, he, Metcalfe, self, plenty of length, correct col., silky feather; 4, rare length and style, lovely qual., rather inclined to cross wings; vhc, Steinart. DO. YELL. HEN (8): 1, 2, he, Metcalfe, beautiful shape and style, feathered like wax, real grass green, nice head, wings, and tail, shown in best cond.; 3, very slim and stylish, lovely qual., beaten in size; 3, Steinart, shows breed, plenty of nerve, rare qual. and style; 4, Jones, foul, nice round head and body, best of qual., unsteady; vhc, Handley; c, Abbott. SELLS. YELL. YORKS. £1 (20): 1, Lunn; 2, Towers; 3, Lingard; 4, Dewhurst; vhc, Midgley; he, Grange; c, Priestley. BUFF. 15s. (26): 1, Barker; 2, Naylor; 3, Sheard; 4, Hodgson; jun.; vhc, Graham; he, Bryant; c, Towers. HENS. 12s. 6d. (23): 1, Lingard (claimed); 2, Farrar; 3, (claimed at 2s. 6d.); Hodgson; 4, Mrs. Sunderland; vhc, Myers; he, King; c, Moore. OPEN NOVICE. YELL. YORKS. (15): 1, Whitwam, mkd. head, cheek, and wings, plenty of length, slim, and stylish, rich col., feathered like glass, well fitting wings and tail, stands well up; 2, Ellis, eye tkd., very long and racy, lovely qual., neat wing carr.; 3, Sheard, cl., grand qual. and col., nice shape and style, only loses in length; 4, Miller, cl., rare length, sound col., not quite as good head; vhc, he, Bullen; c, Bryant. BUFF (17): 1, P. Taylor, wing tkd., beautiful qual., rather on stout side, splendid shape, rich level col., well braced wings and tail, A1 pos.; 2, J. Ellis, cl., rare length and style, plenty of nerve, good wing carr.; 3, A. L. Ellis, tkd., hot col., silky feather, very stylish; 4, Lunn, cl., very slim, sound col., neat wings and tail; vhc, Shepherd; he, Sheard; c, Midgley. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Miller, cl., rare length and style, full of bloom, fine cond., neat head, wings, and tail, nicely cut away, put down in best style; 2, Midgley, mkd. head, cheeks, and wings, very slim and stylish, lovely qual.; 3, Rothwell, tkd., rare shape and style, nicely feathered; Atkinson, cl., very slim and racy, sound col.; vhc, Firth; he, Kitchen; c, Arthur. BUFF HEN (14): 1, Midgley, tkd., rare length and shape, nice round head, full neck, long, well fitting wings, level col., A1 pos.; 2, Rothwell, cl., beautiful qual., rare shape, not quite as full in neck; 3, Whitwam, cl., lovely feather, neat wings and tail, rather stout; 4, Atkinson, cl., nice length, very stylish, rare qual., will improve; vhc, Greenwood; c, Bryant; c, Sheard.

Mr. W. Mundell's Classes.

Y.U. NOV. LIMIT. £5 5s., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (16): 1, Hudson, quickly claimed, well up on leg, grand wings, piped tail, wings; 2, Mitchell, rich col., boxy feather, compact wings and tail, neat head, very stylish, not so long as winner; 3, Hodgson, jun., level col., full of qual., pos A1, good head; 4, Wilman, nicely put down, teeming with qual., good head, wings, and tail, wants a little more length; vhc, Ackroyd; he, Fisher and Dyson; c, Farnish. BUFF (10): 1, Moore, grizzled wing, full of qual., good head and breast, very stylish, nice wing carr., piped tail; 2, Hardaker, mkd. head, nice wings, piped tail, typical, full of qual.; 3, Clough, rare pos., bit rough on eye, nice wings, piped tail, well up on leg; 4, Hanson, pale col., boxy feather, good wing carr., neat tail; vhc, Naylor, jun.; he, Studd; c, Taylor Bros. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Ratcliffe, pale col., boxy feather, well placed wings, neat tail, very steady and erect; 2, Firth, nice pos., teeming with qual., grand wings, bit short in tail, good head and legs; 3, Mitchell, rich col., well placed wings, piped tail, nice type; 4, Sharpe, long flights and tail, well on leg, good head, unsteady; vhc, Baker Bros.; he, Atkinson; c, Hudson. BUFF (11): 1, 4, c, Fisher and Dyson, nice head, clean on breast, well placed wings, piped tail, very steady, hit on the stout side, 4 cheek mkd., lovely qual., nice compact tail, good pos.; 2, Ackroyd, wing mkd., neat round head, pos. A1, good wing carr., full of qual.; 3, Ramsbottom, very stylish, good head, qual. A1, nice wing carr., piped tail; vhc, Sharpe; he, Studd. UNFLIG.

YELL. (19): 1, Taylor, cap mkd., rare pos., very slim and typical, rich col., boxy feather; 2, Ackroyd, rich level col., throughout, long flights and piped tail, good head, full of qual., very typical; 3, Wilman, good head, nice type, grand wings and piped tail, full of qual., steady; 4, Taylor, very hot col., boxy feather, fine pos., well braced wings, neat tail; vhc, Crowther; he, Bower; c, Morley. BUFF (16): 1, Priestley, pale col., boxy feather, good head, wings, and tail, not very well put down; 2, vhc, Fisher and Dyson, 2 blaze of col., wing mkd., very stylish, boxy feather, good head, nicely braced; 3, Firth, grizzled down back, rare length and pos., pale col., long flights and tail; 4, Wilman, mkd. cheek, crosses wings at times, boxy feather, good head, piped tail, rare pos., wants a little more length; he, Crowther; c, Taylor. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Fisher and Dyson, grizzled back, teeming with qual., grand wing carr., piped tail, good head, fine pos.; 2, vhc, Dibb, eyes and wing mkd., nice type and feather, good head, badly put down; 3, Moore, pale col., loose in feather, neat head, good pos.; 4, Hanson, rare length and pos., pale col., piped tail, good wing carr.; he, Firth; c, Self. BUFF (13): 1, Wilman, pos. A1, teeming with qual., good head, nice wing carr., piped tail; 2, Terry, very stylish, boxy feather, piped tail, level col.; 3, Taylor, rare type and qual., neat head, good wings and tail, level col.; 4, Heeley, full of qual., nice wing carr., just a bit too stout and short; vhc, Bower; he, Dibb; c, Chapman. EVEN. ETC. (17): 1, Studd, buff cheek and wing mkd., boxy feather, rich level col., pos. A1, grand wing carr., piped tail; 2, 3, Hudson, yell., mkd. cap, cheek and wings, lovely col., well on leg, A1 pos.; 3 buff cheek and wings mkd., nice type, rare length, piped tail, level col.; 4, Taylor Bros., yell. var., very slim and typical, boxy feather; vhc, Sharpe; he, Butterfield; c, Harney. HEN (14): 1, Chapman, even mkd. yell., feathered like wax, grand wings and tail, line pos. A1; 2, Clough, buff, wing mkd., lovely qual. of feather, nice wing carr., piped tail, very stylish; 3, Graham, eye mkd. buff, well up on leg, nice flights, piped tail, full of qual.; 4, Hudson, cinnamon mkd. buff, boxy feather, rare length, good head and tail; vhc, Harney; he, Grange; c, Firth. NOR. CK. (9): 1, c, Thomas, 1 grand head, neck, and crest, boxy feather, good wing carr.; 2, 3, 4, Kaberry, 2 buff, full of qual., blaze of col., good head and chest, nice type, 3 yell., nice type, good head, boxy feather, 4 buff, capped on head, rich col., full of qual.; vhc, he, Jowett. HEN (8): 1, 2, Kaberry, 1 yell., good head, neck, and chest, full of qual., nice short wing and tail, very chobby; 2 buff, rich level col., very short and chubby; 3, he, Thomas, 3 yell., nice type and qual.; 4, Jowett, buff, grizzled tail, rich col., true to type, full of qual.; vhc, Naylor, jun.; c, Riley Bros. GOLDF. AND BULLF. (7): 1, E. A. Wilson, Bullf., a gem, grand head, rich col., nice whites, in the pink; 2, Abbott, Goldf., grand square blaze, lovely bars, and buttons, fine cond.; 3, Falding, Goldf., good blaze, bars, and buttons, loose in wing carr.; 4, Humphreys, Bullf., great size, lacks col.; vhc, Rothwell; he, Wood; c, Inman. LINNET. ETC. (14): 1, 2, vhc, Oldham, 1 Linnet, rich nut brown, finely pencilled, rare cond., very steady; 2 Twite, a gem, in the pink of cond.; 3, Martin and Archer, Siskin, rich col., nicely laced; 4, Rees, Redpoll, grand cond.; vhc, Wilson; c, Inman. A.O. BRIT. (10): 1, Besoby, Redstart, not in cond.; 2, Parlett, Bramble, a gem, might have gone up; 3, Falding, Hawfinch, good head and bib, lacks col., but a fine bird; 4, Lane, Chaffinch, not quite ready; vhc, E. H. Wilson; he, Ross; c, Ingham. DK. CAN. MULE EXCEPT. BULLF. (10): 1, he, Rees, Linnet, grand size, in the pink; 2, Parlett, Greenf.-Can., good head, grand type; 3, Parlett, Goldf.-Can., good blaze, rich col., rare size; 4, Martin and Archer, Lin.-Can., lovely cond., rare size; vhc, Parlett; c, Wilson. BRIT. HYB. (12): 1, 4, he, Martin and Archer, Greenie-Chaff., rare cond., drops wing at times; 2, Parlett, the noted Can.-Bullie, a grand bird; 3, M. A. Wilson, Greenf.-Chaff., rare size and col., might have won. (We hear from the sec. that No. 9, Oldham, was originally placed first, but was successfully protested against on the ground that it was in the wrong class.—Ed.)

LINCOLN C.B.S.

Table Show, Central Hall, Oct. 6. Some 64 exhibits were staged, which included some exceptionally fine specimens of Yorks. and Norwicks. Mr. Willerton judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction. NOR., YELL.: 1, Cordwell; 3, 4, Sisson. BUFF: 1, 3, 4, Sisson; 2, Cordwell; vhc, Walker; he, c, Hill. YORK. YELL.: 1, vhc, Boucher; 2, 4, Spurr; 3, Pinchbeck; he, Quincey; c, Jim Cordwell. BUFF: 1, Walker; 2, 4, Spurr; 3, Pleasance; vhc, Richardson. YELL. HEN: 1, Jim Cordwell; 2, Pinchbeck; 3, c, Spurr; 4, Boucher; vhc, Cordwell; he, Pleasance. BUFF: 1, Cordwell; 2, Pinchbeck; 3, vhc, Pleasance; 4, he, Spurr. MULE OR HYB.: 1, vhc, Sisson; 2, Cordwell; 3, Boucher; 4, he, Spurr. LINNET: 1, 3, he, Jim Cordwell; 2, Sisson; 4, Baines; vhc, Richardson. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Richardson; 2, Jim Cordwell; 3, he, Baines; 4, Pleasance; vhc, Spurr.—R. W. Sissons, Hon. Sec.

HYSON GREEN C.B.S.

Annual Show, "Cricket Players," Lindsay-st., judge, Mr. G. Hill, who gave every satisfaction. CL. OR LIGHT MKD. YELL. NOR.: 1, Boaler; 2, Boaler; 3, vhc, Bown. CL. OR LIGHT MKD. BUFF NOR.: 1, 3, Bown; 2, vhc, Boaler; he, Drinkwater. HEAVILY MKD.: 1, Bown; 2, Drinkwater; 3, Sharpe. HEN: 1, 3, Boaler; 2, Bown; vhc, he, Sharpe; c, Barnes. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, spl. Boaler; 2, Mout; 3, Barnes; vhc, Wolfe. BUFF: 1, 2, Wolfe; 3, Drinkwater. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, Boaler; 2, Streets; 3, Bown; vhc, Wolfe. STOCK PAIR: 1, Sharpe; 2, Bown. NOV. BUFF: 1, Birkett; 2, Birks. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Birks; 4, BUFF: 1, Streets; 2, Streets. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, Cottingham. LINNET. ETC.: 1, 2, Cottingham. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, EATER: 1, 2, 3, Cottingham. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Cottingham. LARGE: 1, 2, 3, vhc, he, Cottingham. SELL. 12/6: 1, Royce; 2, 3, Barnes; 4, Sharpe. 7/6: 1, Drinkwater; 2, Mout; 3, Streets; vhc, Royce.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

HEN ROLLER ILL (Mrs. A. M. G.).—I am inclined to think that the condition is due to an abnormal and inflammatory condition of the ovary...

HOLLER GETTING BARE (Mrs. G. T. G.).—These cases are often most unresponsive to treatment, and as your bird's case seems to be of some standing...

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Balfour's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aeraries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

found exterminate them, as you will have seen advised frequently in these replies. Keep it in a comfortable temperature, fairly equable, and see that it is free from direct cold draughts or the fumes of burning lights in the evenings. Allow bird to bathe freely if it will do so. For staple diet give a mixture of three parts canary seed to one part summer rape. In addition give separately half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle and broken greats, and on two other days give a morsel of bread and milk, lightly dusted with flour of sulphur, and finally sprinkled with soft sugar. On the day following that on which you give bread and milk each time add to the water as much chlorate of potash as will cover a sixpence and ten drops of lemon juice. Continue this treatment for one or two months as may seem necessary.

SCALY LEGS (Amateur).—I certainly do not advise you to immerse the legs of the young bird in paraffin. This fluid often has a very destructive effect upon the skin of birds. If the trouble is really scaly legs such as affects the denizens of the poultry yard, you can get rid of it by soaking the legs in a warm solution of Wych Hazel—a teaspoonful of the extract in a saucerful of warm water—a few times with an interval of three or four days between each time, then carefully dry the legs and gently rub a little sulphur ointment well in between the scales. Keep cage floor and perches as clean as possible, to prevent possible re-infection from these sources.

STUCK IN MOULT (Neil Hunter).—As you might have seen many times in these columns, I am no advocate of forcing a bird into a moult as long as it keeps in good health and condition. It is doubtful whether your bird will now complete its moult in any case before spring. Also your feeding is evidently at fault. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only. In addition give separately half a teaspoonful of summer rape and a morsel of banana every second day, and on the alternate days twice each week give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, millet, black rape, niger, teazle and broken greats. Every second day for the next fortnight give a piece of bread and milk the size of a hazel nut lightly dusted with flour of sulphur and finally sprinkled with soft sugar. On the days following those on which you give the bread and milk add to the drinking water 20 drops of whisky, five of syrup of saffron and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece. Keep bird in a fairly comfortable temperature, free from direct cold draughts, fumes of burning lights in the evenings, or extreme and rapid fluctuations. If the bird does not finish its moult under this treatment my advice is to wait patiently until the spring for it to take place naturally.

OPINION OF MATINGS (J. M. C.).—It did not come within the scheme of "Canary Breeding, etc." to deal with mating for the production of particular markings or colour. What you want for this purpose is Parts 14 and 15 of "Our Canaries." Possibly the Nutshell booklet, No. 23, on the Border Fancy, which our Manager would send you for 2d. post free, would also be helpful to you. As regards the matings you suggest you do not say whether they consist entirely of the birds you have bred, which would, of course, be closely related, and it would be essential to know something of the parentage of the birds mated before one could say with the least certainty what the result would be. It is only possible to generalise in the absence of such information, and on this basis mating No. 1, assuming the buff green cock has no cinnamon blood in his veins, the result to be looked for from the yellow cinnamon hen is greens, self and broken, and heavily variegated, and from the clear yellow hen green variegated and ticked, with possibly a few stray clear. The mating No. 2 should produce, assuming the hens are free from cinnamon blood, from the buff green hen cinnamons, self and heavily variegated, which would all be hens, and green and green variegated, which would be both cocks and hens. A similar result may be expected from the buff variegated hen, except that the proportion of selfs may be smaller. I am not clear as to the identity of the remaining hen you mention. If it is one of the young yellow cinnamons you bred yourself mate it with a boldly faced clear buff cinnamon cock. But if my assumption is not correct write again, and give full particulars about it.

AVIARY AND NIGHT-LIGHT (Novice).—(1) If the aviary is situated in a fairly sheltered spot, and is free from damp and extremes of heat and cold there is no reason whatever why the birds, which have been bred and reared there should not thrive well enough through the winter without the aid of any artificial heat, therefore I do not advise you to supply any. In all probability they will do much better without any heat. (2) There is no necessity to take a light into the room after dark to enable the birds to feed later than the natural light allows at this season. They have so little to do all day except eat that the long fast from dusk to dawn will not harm them at all.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BRITISH BIRDS IN BACKYARD (M.S.).—There is no reason whatever why your birds should not do where you have them: It is simply a question of keeping them well supplied with seed, and attending to their water supply during frosty weather. Birds very much dislike rough winds, but you appear to have thought about that. Your blind should cover the cages sufficiently to prevent draughts, which are fatal to the hardiest.

TREATING FRESHLY-CAUGHT FINCHES (New Member).—If you have room you should select the best birds and keep them separate, as they are rather inclined to be quarrelsome. Supply a pot of cracked hemp, also teazle, niger, maw, linseed, and canary. Crack a few sunflower seeds and supply daily. Soak a little rape and teazle, and give occasionally or daily if they are not doing particularly well, or when first caught, but gradually work them on to dry seeds. You should also supply wild seeds. If you have not collected any, buy a packet of the best you can get; see that it is genuine wild seed, not an ordinary bird seed mixture. After you have had them a few days, and they begin to eat freely of seeds, give them as much sulphate of soda as will cover a shilling, dissolved in an ordinary drinker. Repeat this occasionally. Supply plenty of sharp sand, and keep quiet for the first week or two. DEFORMED BEAK (W. Lennox).—If the deformed beak does not interfere with his feeding, you have nothing to worry about, but the overgrown portion should be parted off either with a sharp knife or scissors. In doing so be careful not to cut it back too far, or you will cause the bird pain. You can do nothing to repair the injury; it is a malformation sometimes met with in wild specimens. In fact, I occasionally see a Blackbird in my garden with a beak similar to what you describe.

FEEDING A BUNTING (A. H. Lodge).—The Yellow Bunting makes a very good cage bird, and it is not by any means a difficult one to manage. You could keep one in your kitchen providing you hang it in a position free from draughts and away from the heat of the fire or gas. To get it steady you must handle the cage as often as possible, and

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the fact of its being constantly near someone will soon get it tame. Canary seed is its chief food, and it does not care very much for anything else, but at the same time it should be offered other seeds such as a little wild seed mixture, cracked hemp, rape, maw, small oats or coarse oatmeal. In a separate pot try him with a few soaked ants' eggs, and if he will eat them, he should have some pretty frequently. Insect life should be supplied according to season, much of which can be collected from one's own garden. (2) As a rule any of the Finches can be kept together. Put your birds in a fairly large cage and if you keep them well supplied with seeds they will not quarrel. If you let their seed hopper become empty there will be sure to be a scrap when it is re-filled. Should this occur the best plan is to throw a little seed in the bottom of the cage. Glad you find the Nutshell books so useful.

TROUBLE WITH LARK (Saline).—Your name and address should have been sent with your query; kindly let us have it on a P.C. The information you send me about your Lark is very meagre; you should have specified the conditions under which you are keeping it, and the feeding, in both of which I fear there is something wrong. To begin with, put him in a thoroughly clean cage, one that has been scrubbed out with disinfectant and properly dried. Examine the bird, and if he has any insects on him dust him all over with insect powder, being careful that none gets into his eyes. In future give him enough sand for him to dust in, and lightly spray him with tepid water occasionally. Respecting food you should either make your own or feed upon the best make of Lark food obtainable, this should be mixed with a little scraped raw carrot, boiled potato or chopped watercress, and he should also have a few extra ants' eggs, and any insect life you can get. A little chopped hard-boiled egg is good for a change, also a few greats and a little canary or maw seed. Give as much gnatbait salts as will cover a sixpence for one day, dissolve in his drinking water. Just smear the bare places with a little fresh lard. Send to this office for the Nutshell Booklet on the Skylark. It will give you a lot of valuable information, price 2d. post free.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

FOREIGN AND BRITISH (Miss E. Smith).—(1) You must repeat your British query next week to our British Bird Expert, Mr. H. Norman. Note: Queries relating to different subjects should be on separate sheets of paper (see rules), and your full address should be given. (2) It all depends on the construction of the aviary. In an outside aviary containing a roomy, well-lighted, weatherproof shelter, you could keep together such as Zebra, Ribbon, Bib, Diamond, Alario, Spice, and Red-headed Finches, Avadavats, Silverbills, Bengalese, and Java Sparrows, Grey, and Green Singing Finches, Bronze, Magpie, Black-headed and White-headed Mannikins,

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Crown Hotel, 8. Members' show and balance-sheet for open show.—D. Harwood.

Attingham Open C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Station Cafe, 8. Experiences of the season to date, opened by Mr. Hallworth.—C. Bailey.

Ardwick and Manchester C.B.A.—Dec. 1, St. Thomas's Old Schoolroom, entrance Chapel Street, 8. Cage-making demonstration. Open show business.—J. Spencer.

Barnham C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Bird Inn, High Hold, 7. Schedules for annual show and other important business. Subs. due; new members invited.—J. H. Elliot.

Bingley O.S.—Nov. 28, Assembly Rooms, 245. Members' show; birds staged 2.45. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday, Shipley.—H. Shaw.

Canary Club (Warwick) O.S.—Dec. 2, headquarters, 7.45. New Year's show.—J. C. Bell.

Colton C.B.S.—Dec. 1, Joiners' Arms, 8. Election of officers.—J. Gerrard.

Eden C.B.S.—Dec. 1, St. Andrew's Parochial Hall, 8. Final business for annual show, etc.—A. E. Luyton.

Eslington B.F.A.—Nov. 28, Napoleon Hotel. Members' show; birds staged at 3; judge, C. E. Walker, West Bowing.—J. Nicholl.

Bradford East O.S.—Dec. 1, Park Chapel Schools, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. R. Wilkinson. Afterwards members will compete for two money prizes kindly given by Mr. Wilkinson for best washed bird.—Wm. Cruise.

Burnhope C.B.C.—Nov. 28, Colk. Inn, 7. Date of show and other important business.—J. W. Robson.

Burton-on-Trent C.B.S.—Dec. 1, New Inn, 8. Prize-money for members' show, and specials.—A. Wood.

Cheltenham C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Bayshill Lecture Hall. Members' show.—A. S. Treasure.

Chorley C.B.S.—Dec. 2, White Lion Inn, 7.30. Special show business; prize-money paid.—J. H. Welch.

Clapham C.B.A.—Dec. 1, at 8. Selection of medals.—T. J. Hose.

Coventry O.S.—Dec. 2, Sydenham Palace, 8.30. Balance-sheet open show. Will members return unsold tickets.—A. Green.

Dublin Workmen's Club C.B.S.—Nov. 29, Dublin Workmen's Club, 10.30 a.m. Show business.—G. T. Lynn.

East Anglia C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Black Swan, 7.30. Arrange for show.—H. Cockrem.

Garston B.B.A.—Dec. 5, Baptist Schoolroom, Earp Street, Garston. Annual show.—A. T. Mullock.

Halifax C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Trafalgar Inn, 8. General meeting. Pie supper altered from Dec. 10 to 17.—A. Sutcliffe.

Halifax O.S.—Nov. 28, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Members' meeting. Nomination of officials and new rules or alterations to be handed in. Ticket money for open show to be brought in.—H. Clegg.

Hartlepool C.B.S.—Dec. 2, St. George's Hall, 8. General business.—Pymon and Thornton.

Hatfield C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Colliery Hotel, 6.30. Entries for annual show.—Geo. Vipond.

Highgate, Hampstead C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Spencer Hall, Dartmouth Park Hill, N.W., 8. Grand social and prize distribution. Musical entertainment arranged by Mr. C. W. Law.—J. Hyde.

Hornsey, Wood Green C.B.S.—Dec. 1, Nightingale Hotel, High Road, Wood Green, 8.30. Final arrangements for annual show.—P. Brooks.

Huddersfield O.S.—Nov. 30, headquarters, 8. Open show business, special.—A. Lawford.

Hyde C.B.S.—Nov. 30, St. George's School, Church Street, Hyde, 8. Special meeting.—T. Allsop.

Hyson Green C.B.S.—Dec. 1, headquarters, 8. Show business. Subs. to "Special Prize Fund" must be paid by this date.—A. E. Moulit.

Islington F.A.—Nov. 28, Congregational Schools, Warrlers Road, Nag's Head, Holloway, N. 24th annual show, 2 till 9. Admission 3d.—W. T. Amery.

13th C.B.S.—Dec. 2, White Bear Inn, 8. Important business.—C. E. Hylton.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Dec. 2, Railway Hotel, 7.30. Juvenile competition, 2 Selling Classes, Cock 15s., Hen 12s. 6d. Entry fee for judging 6d. Anyone eligible to judge.—W. H. Symes.

Leicester C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Hare and Pheasant, 8.30. Washing competition and members' show business; important.—J. Hardbottle.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S.—Dec. 1, White Swan, 8. Table show; Mkd. or Var. Yell and Buff Hens, and Bullf.—A. Freestone.

Linton and Woodhorn C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Social Club, Hirst, Ashington, 7.30. Business important.—Jas. Anderson.

Liverpool North C.B.S.—Dec. 2, headquarters, 8. Classification and final arrangements for Boxing Day show, allotting specials.—E. S. Broadbent.

Llanelly C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Very important. Now, members, line up if our next show is to be a success.—D. John.

Long Eaton C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Sawley Road C.S., 7 and 7.30. Special show business. All special prizes to be brought in for allotment.—G. Baines.

Middleton C.B.S.—Nov. 30, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting; allotment of specials. Entries close first post Nov. 31.—J. Hulton.

Manchester and H.C.O.S.—Nov. 30, Deansgate Hotel, 8. January show bus.—F. Wilkinson.

New Cross C.B.S.—Dec. 3, 126, Lec Road, Lee Green, S.E., 7.45. Prize distribution and general meeting. Very important business. Note new meeting place.—Burton Bros.

Nelson Gains C.B.S.—Dec. 1, 117, Every Street, Nelson, 8. Show, etc.—D. Watts.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Shields Cafe, Bigg Market, 7.30. Nomination of officials for 1915.—J. W. Reed.

Northern Border and S.F.C.C.—Dec. 2, Pillar's Cafe, 8. Table show; five classes each section, champ. and nov. Judges: Champ., T. Smith; nov., W. Smith.—M. C. Potts.

N.W. London F.A.—Dec. 3, The Stag's Head Hotel, Hawley Road, N.W., 8. Final arrangements annual show.—W. Sutton.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Alhambra Club Room, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Lecture on British, Mr. Fairhurst.—A. W. Newton.

P.C.S. & Stanningly C.B.S.—Nov. 27, Flecco Hotel, 8. Entries for show 8 to 10.30. Show Nov. 28; judge, Mr. S. Wilcock. Birds staged 2.30.—H. Raitrick.

Perth City and County O.A.—Dec. 2, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Balance-sheet for session.—J. I. Smith.

Queensbury C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Cranby Hotel. Members' show; judge, Mr. A. Cooper. Birds staged 3.—W. Jagger.

Radcliffe C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Wareing's Dining Rooms, 8. Show business and closing night for entries for annual show. Dec. 5, Conservative Club, Church Street. Annual members' show; judge, Mr. Lemax, St. Helens.—G. Lord.

Reading C.B.S.—Dec. 2, Palmer Hall, 8. Important show business to settle.—O. C. Smith.

Rossmore C.B.S.—Dec. 1, Swan Hotel, Bacup, 7.30. Arranging for members' show.—H. Wantling.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Picking of auditors and other business.—Taylor and Bailey.

Scotland Gate.—Nov. 28, Social Club, Choppington, 7.30. Special business; last meeting before show.—T. Rigg.

S.E. London F. and F.A.—Nov. 30, 71, Albany Road, Old Kent Road, 8. Closing of entries for annual show at headquarters Dec. 5, 2 till 9; tickets 3d. Judges, G. Gardner, F. Easterling, and W. Summers.—R. Jackson.

Spina Valley C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton. Members' show; birds staged 3. Special for most points, Mr. F. Townsend, Halifax, judge. Entries Friday night 8 to 10.—S. B. Grayson.

Stanley (Victoria) F.F. and C.B.S.—Nov. 29, Club Room, 6. Stewards for show and entries taken.—W. Elliott.

Wallasey C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Fairhaven Institute, Sea View Road, 8. Lecture by Mr. Geo. Barker on "British Birds and Their Habits in Natural State." Awarding old show specials.—G. Benson.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Horse and Groom, 6. Monthly show; judge, Mr. A. Jowett. Birds staged 6.—W. Chapman.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for 1915. Open show business. Tea and concert arrangements. Subs. due for 1914.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wolverhampton C.B.S.—Dec. 3, Duke of York, Princess Street, 8.15. Show business. A members' afternoon show Dec. 5; birds staged 2.30. Usual classes.—Wm. Harrison.

Walsall C.B.S.—Dec. 2, White Hart Hotel, 8.30. Balance-sheet of show, and very important bus.—F. Price.

way is to let the cage stand a week at least after the stain is dry—the stain may be said to be quite hard when it does not stain a piece of white rug rubbed over it.

GENERAL. Answered by THE EDITOR.

F. Bird.—We cannot answer; note correspondence columns this week.

Belgium.—If the schedule distinctly states that certain classes are for old birds, then, of course, young birds must not be entered therein. If "old birds" are not distinctly specified, then young birds can be entered amongst the old birds as well as in the unlighted classes.

Anti-Grumbler.—Publication of your reflections on the bona-fides of the judge would land both yourself and ourselves into an action for libel. If you could prove your allegation that friends of the judge entered under false names birds that were known to him, why did you not lodge a protest with the officials of the show? You would have to prove your charges just the same, or pay up damages, if you were taken into a court of law for libel—possibly this did not occur to you.

H. Kay.—Birds that appear in England regularly, would not be dealt with in "Foreign Birds for Beginners." Very tiny "greenish-yellow" birds are the Chiff Chaff, the Willow Warbler and the Wood Warbler. The Yellow Wagtail also is not large (its long tail, ceaselessly "wagging," infallibly identifies it), while both Blue and Great Tits have a more-or-less yellowish appearance. A local naturalist would be the likeliest person to tell you the names of the birds; unless you can amplify your description we cannot help you further.

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VARIOUS BIRDS.

CANARIES for sale; cocks 5/6; variegated hens 2/- and 2/6 each; Runder, Hatfield, Doncaster. (1894)

BUDGERIGARS, cocks 2/-, hens 2/6, 4/- pair; Bullfinches, cocks 2/6, hens 1/3; toppers: Gay, Moor-st., Quinton, Birmingham. (1890)

FOR sale, Goldfinch cock and two Canary hens, had 12 Mules of them this season, 20/- lot, same; Moor-st., St. John-st., Crectown. (1850)

NORWICH Canaries, 3 pairs, C.F., 7/- pair; Green Budgerigars and large cage, bred in cage, 10/-, or cash offers: 357, Crookesmead-rd., Sheffield. (1892)

YORKSHIRE cocks, 7/-; hen Canaries, 1/6; Linnets, Greenfinch Hybrids, cocks 6/- each, hens 1/-; pair (grey) Java Sparrow, 3/-; all outdoor: Threlfall, Fernleigh, Grange-over-Sands. (1889)

TWICE hatched yellow Greenie, proved milder, hatched Lesser Redpoll, 1st Ransgate, last show, one clear buff Norwich hen, two half-bred Roller hens, accept 10/- lot; Smith, 180, High-st., Chatham. (1863)

LENGTHY Yorkshire yellow cock Canary, 1914, singing; also large square blaze cock Goldfinch; exchange 1913 Linnets Mule, Linnets middle; Matthews, 67, Lealand-rd., South Tottenham, Middlesex. (1890)

HOUSE-MOULTED cock Bullfinch and cage, 5/-; well-bred buff unlighted Yorkshire hen, 4/-; variegated hen, 2/-; Linnets Mule, 1/-; pair of Greenfinches, 1/-; what offers, Canaries or Goldfinches, house mounted preferred: John Dulleaty, 28, Percy-st., Fleetwood. (1890)

WANTED, large yellow stock cock Norwich, good head and substance, 1913 or 1914, in exchange for Greenfinch cock Mule, vhc in Mule and Hybrid class, sell 15/-; yellow Norwich cock, 1st, spl. in selling class, 10/-; cinnamon yellow cock, 1913, 1st, spl. in any variety class, sell 20/-; cock Goldie, 2nd prize winner, 10/6; all at Hastings show last week; will sell or exchange lot for above bird, must be large and on approval: Roger Cragg, 132, Queens-rd., Hastings. (1890)

WANTED, HEN CANARIES

Yorkshire and Norwich, 18/- dozen, 1/- each; Goldfinches, Mule hens, also wanted any kind of puppies, good prices given; also any kind of Parrots wanted, good price given: W. Rutherford, 333, High-rd., Leytonstone. (1875)

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

See reports, Nottingham, Leicester, Coventry, Halifax: Winner of young bird cup five years in succession; buff cock, 1st Nottingham, 50/-; ditto, 1912, 3rd Leicester, 40/-; large mtd. do., 40/-; unlighted and year-old birds, 15/- upwards: E. Hulse, 23, Hartington-rd., Leicester. (1896)

A. G. van NIKKELN KUIJPER,

Export of Birds and Goldfishes, Haarlem, Holland, Telephone: Haarlem 2316. Telegrams: Kuijper, Naturalist, Haarlem. Offers: Red Cuckoos, 5/5 each; Green Parakeets, 3/9 each; Maromts, 1/3 each; fine singing male Canaries, 3/9 each; ditto, female, 19d. each; Goldfinches, 5/7 c.m. long, £1 18/4 per 1,000; ditto, 7.12 c.m. long, £3 1/8 per 1,000; Mites, per kilo. 6/8. "Piscidin" Food for fishes, 11, 8 per 100 boxes.

WANTED.

WANTED anything alive: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)

WANTED, catches British; honest dealing: Kobbs, 141, King's-rd., Camden Town, London, N.W. (1891)

WANTED, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, Mules and Canaries weekly: 22, Michael-st., West Bromwich. (1892)

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and British birds, best prices paid: Barnes, Aviarics, Merthyr Tydfil. (1897)

WANTED, two dealers to take a supply of Forfarshire Linnets weekly: Jamieson, 44, St. Mary-st., Arbroath. (1898)

WANTED, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets: Syd. Motherole, Live Stock Emporium, 80, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (1875)

WANTED, good buff green or variegated cock, must have good head: Mrs. Jas. Banks, 51, Balhouse-st., Perth, Scotland. (1890)

WANTED for cash, Canaries and Mules, either sex; state lowest price: Robinson, 33, Bisson-st., New Cross, London. (1898)

WANTED, Norwich hens, on approval, must have size, and unlighted: Frank Curphey, 21, Castle-st., Douglas, Isle of Man. (1900)

WANTED, large yellow Norwich hens, cheap for cash, colour-fed, unlighted preferred: Atkinson, Market-pl., Gulsborough. (1899)

WANTED, large 1914 Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, 7/- pair, and cock Goldfinches 15/-: Hoyton, 4, Foxley-rd., Brixton. (1888)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds: Mrs. Martin, 9, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1890)

WANTED, Birds, Dogs, Parrots, Monkeys, Cavies, Squirrels, Mice, Rabbits; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviarics, Greenwich. (1900)

WANTED, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Siskins and Goldfinch Mules, best price given: Sandford's, 89, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London. (1890)

WANTED, purchase in London, good singing Seifert-Glucke Roller Canary, no fancy price: Write, Advertiser, 10, Dawson-pl., Bayswater. (1900)

WANTED, Palace aviary, Canaries; exchange Green Budgerigars, or sell 10/- for six: Taylor, 37, Belvoir-st., Spottland, Rochdale. (1891)

OFFERS in Canaries, mules, moulted British; exchange pair Scotch woollen blankets, sell 25/-: Andrew Dawson, 135, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1898)

WANTED, good Norwich Canaries or Yellow Budgerigars; exchange two pair Cockatiels or concertina: Rowsell, 27, Leicester-st., Leamington. (1894)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets weekly; all kinds of British: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1893)

WANTED, offers in good Norwich or Yorkshires for a massive buff crested cock, or sell £2: Furnise, 19, Cowper-st., Middleton Junction, Manchester. (1884)

WANTED for cash, Canaries, Mules, either sex, colour-fed preferred; state price for prompt cash: Merrington, 40, Besson-st., New Cross-Gate, London. (1890)

WANTED a weekly supply of cock Goldfinches, Linnets, Larks and all kinds of Canaries and Mules and Parrots: Taylor, Bird Stores, Bute-st., Treherbert. (1881)

WANTED, constant supplies Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, Linnets, and other British for cash; must be true to sex, clean, and healthy, otherwise refused: Sterling Seed Co., Cases-st., Liverpool. (1890)

BUFF hen, large and good, will exchange two hen mules, Greenfinch, yellow-green hen; yours first; approval: Smedley, 83, Royston-aven., Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (1885)

NOTICE, wanted, Goldfinch Mules, Linnets Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, from catchers: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. Letters only. (1898)

WANTED, large exhibition Goldfinch, exchange Whentear, Yellow Wagtail, winners, and White-throat, cocks; mutual approval: Good rham, 61a, High-st., Stamford. (1889)

WANTED Canaries, cock Goldfinches; cash or exchange champion pair Black Rosecomb Bantams, winners, or cages any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1884)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Eord-rs, Crests, Rollers, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, and Goldfinches, and Siskins; reasonable for cash: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1890)

WANTED, Scotch Fancies, give in exchange gent's blue melton overcoat, worn one season, fit man 5ft. 8in., 40 chest, cost 70/-; will sell or exchange for Canaries or Goldfinches a champion cock Bullfinch, taken 1st and other prizes, a real picture: 226, Mt. Pleasant-rd., Tottenham. (1890)

WANTED.

Linnets, Larks, Goldfinches, best prices given for healthy birds: Maauger, Bird Stores, Wakefield. (1894)

WANTED

500 Norwich and Yorkshire cock Canaries; best price given; stamp envelope for a reply: E. Power, 91, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London. (1890)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

FRED. ALLEN will exchange high-class British for Canaries, etc.: Porter-st. Aviarics, Hull. (1900)

BLACK-HEADED Sibia, in song, Lesser White-throat, 15/- two; exchange Softbills: 377, Coldharbour-lane, Brixton. (1895)

TWO Welsh cock Goldies, one house-moulted; exchange offers, or sell 10/-: A. Davies, 13, Wellington-place, Llanrwst. (1897)

GENUINE selected cock Larks, Linnets, 6d., 9d., 1/- each; exchange disc records, anything useful: G. Frith, Crowle, Lincs. (1910)

DEVONSHIRE cock Bullfinches, 1/6 each; selected 2/-, 2/6, or would exchange for Goldfinches: Collins, Moorhead Bishop, North Devon. (1892)

LARGE 1913 dark Greenfinch cock Mule, exchange good Siskin or Goldfinch and Lesser Redpoll: Wm. Cooke, 153, Owston-rd., Bentley, Doncaster. (1892)

EXHIBITION yellow cock Siskin, 7/6; large cock Greenfinches, yellow hen, 1/- each; approval; exchange offers: Brewer, Tandhurst-place, Bedford. (1897)

HOUSE-MOULTED hen Hawfinch and cock Greenfinch, 7/6; cocks Linnets, Redpoll, Greenfinch, 5/-; exchange cock Canaries: Pearce, 231, Cathedral-rd., Cardiff. (1898)

COCK Goldfinch, hen Bullfinch, caged two months, two hen Chaffinches, in aviary since January, cock Canary or Mule wanted: Rhodes, 273, Stratford-rd., Manchester. (1898)

FOUR large cock Goldfinches, full song, caged months, sure mulers, 4/6 each; muling Linnets, 3/-; exchange hen Canaries: Cooper, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1894)

EXHIBITORS, large yellow cock Greenfinch, 1/-; really good cock Yellow Bunting, 2/-; grand cock Brambling, perfect specimen, 2/-; or exchange: Vennum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1900)

THE following exhibition winning British in exchange for Border fancies, two Mealy Redpolls, two H.M. and two F.M. Lessers, two Chaffinches, Siskin-Linnets Hybrids, cock, or sell: Campbell, Rolland-st., Duferline. (1893)

NOTICE, two giant English cock Goldies, fit to win prizes in any company, and sure mulers, only 5/6 each; or exchange for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries, or Goldfinch Mules: Pover and Russell, 19, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1887)

SPECIAL notice to exhibitors and fanciers: I will exchange all kinds of British Birds for show, muling, contest singing, for any variety of Canaries or Mules; state wants; approval both ways: Rollins-head, Cheshire Aviarics, Howard-st., Stockport. (1900)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE four Yorkshire hens for good unlighted Yorkshire songster: Rowe, Shoreham, Sussex. (1895)

TWO good Norwich hens, 3/- each; 4 hen Mules, 1/- each; exchange cock Goldfinches: 55, Letitia-st., Middlesbrough. (1891)

WANTED, good hanging lamp; exchange large young Green Crested cock, value 25/-: McNaughton, Alce Yorks. (1893)

TWO cock Yorkshires, one of good class, also two hens; exchange for anything useful: Richard-on, Well-lane, Lincoln. (1890)

SELL eight Border Canaries (three cocks, five hens), 25/-; or exchange anything useful: Schooler, Paxton, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1893)

EXCHANGE or sell cheap, my Norwich, Borders, Yorkshires, for 12-hour gun, hand camera, offers: Dodd, Victoria, Southwold. (1890)

YELLOW cock, buff hen, big birds, 15/6; or exchange another yellow cock for good yellow hen: Spencer, 85, Athol-st., Burnley. (1894)

FOUR green, huff Yorkshire cock H.C., for Siberian cock Goldfinch and Siberian hen Bullfinch: Tom Dunnett, Willowbank, Wick, N.B. (1900)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Norwich; cocks from 5/6; hens from 3/-; exchanges entertained: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1900)

EXCHANGE one of my large yellow winning cock cinnamon for large yellow Norwich cock: Manning, 712, Romford-rd., Manor Park, Essex. (1894)

SPLENDID pair prize-bred Yorkshire Canaries, exchange for leather, brass rivets or wire hobs: Billis, Boot Manufacturer, Welshpool. (1899)

WANTED, yellow Lancashire Plainhead cock, unlighted, give good exchange in prize-bred Yorkshires: Smith, 24, Bywater-st., Chelsea. (1897)

PAIR long slim Yorkshires, yellow cock, in song, buff hen, 1914 birds, 12/-; exchange good Gem air gun: Roper, 134, Chester, Seven Kings, Essex. (1899)

BORDERERS, few good Greens, exchange exhibition British, cinnamon, Parrot cage, anything useful: Wm. Livingstone, 188, Holewell, Whitburn, N.B. (1892)

NOTICE, will give good exchange in Norwich Yorkshire, or Border show cages for any variety Canaries or British birds: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1890)

EXCHANGE a Crest buff cock, dark cap and even wings, unlighted, for exhibition British Hardbill, or offers: Furnise, 19, Cowper-st., Middleton Junction, Manchester. (1889)

EXCHANGE 1 yellow Yorkshire cock and 2 Yorkshire hens, for 2 Glucke Rollers, cocks, or sell £1; offers; yours first: T. H. Kay, 140, Warrington-rd., Newtown, Wigan. (1891)

ONE green Norwich cock, 1 yellow, 1 buff hen, also cross Field-Spaniel pup; sell or exchange; offers: A. Rowland, Cambridge-terr., Dunton, Biggleswade, Beds. (1888)

LOVELY Ring-neck Parakeet, possession five years, 15/-; two pair York hires, 15/- pair; Norwich hens, 2/6; cocks, 5/-; exchange extra large Cinnamon: A. March, Bridge-st., Evesham. (1887)

TWEED suit, chest 35in., leg 29in., quite clean, 15/-; single bed-ted with wool overlay, 15/-; pair light boots, new, 7s. 6/-; exchange Canaries; offers: Hellier, 62, Braunschott-rd., Southsea. (1894)

THREE 1913 good Yorkshire hens, two green marked yellows, one cinnamon, 2/6 each; exchange good Roller cock or two cock Goldfinches; mutual approval: Bradley, 6, Devon-st., Grangetown, Cardiff. (1895)

TWO grand yellow Norwich cocks, with large buff variegated hen to match, 30/- a pair, exchange for Norwich show cages with ease, blankets, clothes, household goods, or stuffed birds, or yacht for glass case; offers invited; birds on approval first: Savage, Quarry-lane, Irvine, Ayrshire, Scotland. (1898)

Mainly Foreign.

GREY and Red Parrot and square cage, tame, sell 20/-, or exchange anything useful: Davics, 5, Parcman, Carmarthen. (1891)

FOX Terrier dog puppy, seven months, excellent pedigree, 5/-; or exchange Budgerigars: Cottam, 23, St. Mary's-st., Clitheroe. (1891)

EXCHANGE cock Norwich for pair Budgerigars or other small bright Foreigners in pairs: King, 12, Carisbrooke-rd., Walthamstow. (1900)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE 4 Redpolls for hen Canary or cock Siskin: Spen Payne, Ray, Lingfield, Surrey. (1892)

D.B. overcoat (new), 36 chest, 30/-; exchange good 1914 Norwich: Tailor, 12, Sydney-st., Brighton. (1899)

WILL exchange lady's or gent's new cycle for Canaries, cocks preferred: Gray, 60, Goodramgate, York. (1893)

WHAT offers in exchange for Spaniel dog pup, 3 months old: Watts, 51, Wellington-st., Merthyr Tydfil. (1890)

EXCHANGE 16ft. pike rod, also reach rod for live stock: Gaunt, 1, Erie-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (1891)

EXCHANGE blue Dutch buck and grey doe for anything useful: W. Inman, New-st., Pat-by Bridge. (1894)

GENT'S cycle, genuine B.S.A., good condition, 30/-; exchange Pom.: Gussy, Sheffield Works, Tottenham. (1890)

£1 bale of wallpaper, all useful for home, for 2 cock Canaries: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (1893)

EXCHANGE 1 hen Canary, 2 hen Goldie Mules, for 2 good big hen Banties: Brown, 12, Sydney-st., Brighton. (1893)

LAYING pullets, Canaries, Parrots, Dogs, etc., given in exchange for other fancy: Barlow's Aviarics, Greenwich. (1900)

PRIZE Rabbits or Cavies, Dutch, for Talking Parrot: Scott, 15, Railway-st., Shotton Colliery, Sunderland. (1890)

THREE fine cock Goldies, one good hen Bulle, 10/- lot; exchange, no bird: Harry Taylor, Westbury, Leigh, Wilts. (1890)

CROSSBRED Collie bitch, 4 months, sell 7/6; exchange birds, offers, anything: Simms, 24, Algarve-rd., Earlsfield. (1891)

EXCHANGE Norwich cock, 1914, value 7/6, for photograph records: R. Campbell, 3, Moors Houses, Stanley, Crock. (1892)

EXCHANGE gent's cycle for breech loader gun, central fire, or sell £2: G. Humphrey, 3, Holly-lane, Will-eden. (1890)

EXCHANGE nine long-distance Homers for Seifert Rollers, or sell 25/-: Smith, 23, Centre-rd., Mardy, Rhonda, Glam. (1897)

LARGE Palace aviary and several Canaries, sell or exchange anything: J., 8, Sherclau-rd., Highams Park, London, E. (1898)

RABBITS, two English does and Flemish buck, to sell, or exchange for fowls; what offers: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (1892)

STANDARD phonograph and 40 records, lost £3 3/-, or exchange birds, anything useful: Christie, 4, Seaford-rd., Aberdeen. (1890)

EXCHANGE Coronation harp, as new, cost £2/-, for Canaries, Linnets or Goldfinches: Alderson, 31, Charlotte-st., Redcar. (1891)

SEVEN Seifert Roller hens, exchange anything, or sell, 1/9 each; cold-room bred: Leedham, 21, Bank-st., Bradley, Bilston. (1891)

EXCHANGE high-class Yorkshire or Norwich clears for B.S.A. air rifle; yours first: Draper, 296, Kensington, Liverpool. (1892)

EXCHANGE cut length, costume length, for guinea pigs or common pigeons: Gaunt, 1, Erie-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (1890)

SCOTCH fanciers, cheap from 10/-; exchange surplus Norwich cocks or Yorkshires, Borders: McNair, 151, George-st., Paisley. (1893)

SELL Black Retriever dog, three years, 30/-; or exchange Spaniel or Airedale: Fred Castle, 17, Thirston, Honley, Huddersfield. (1890)

CAMERA, folding Kilito, used once, cost £3 3/-, sell £2 2/-; offers; exchange poultry: Chapple, Stanley-st., Blyth, Northumberland. (1893)

EXCHANGE Yorkshire cock Canary and hand-camera (film) for curtains or Pom. bitch: 32, Victoria-rd., Netherfield, Notts. (1896)

THREE pairs high-class healthy Yorkshires, breeding cages, etc.; exchange pure-bred fowls: Eaves, East Cliff, Lytham. Offers. (1893)

TWO green York-hires, also one Norwich, cocks, 7/6 each; or exchange gun; deposit: Dunham, Mount Pleasant, Clapham, Bedford. (1893)

EXCHANGE box of 25 cigars, Key West or Bull-dogs, for cock Canary: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (1893)

THREE double breeding cages, nearly new, 17 x 17, loose fronts, 10/-; exchange Canaries: Kendall, 5, Foldings, Scholes, Cleckheaton. (1896)

YORKSHIRE cock, 1914, grand song; exchange for overcoat to fit youth 17 years, or boots, size 6: Ferris, Clock House, Pembroke. (1900)

EXCHANGE six cock Goldfinches, on song, 1/1 10in. disc records, pullets, or anything useful: Greaves, Willow Walk, Spalding. (1882)

EXCHANGE nearly new gate net, 30 yards, 8 pence net, for Goldfinch or Linnets Mule; wide notes: Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Weald tone. (1892)

WANTED, Foreign Stamps, in albums; give good value in prize potence Tumblers (many varieties): Wm. Mapplebeck, Rickmansworth. (1891)

DULCIMER with case and stand, in good order, 20/-; exchange Rollers, Borders, or British: James Grant, 23, St. Peter-st., Peterhead. (1890)

EXCHANGE brand new gent's or lady's boots, also boy's clothing, for male dog and puppy: Manager Furniture Stores, Totten. (1892)

WAR fund; Norwich Canaries, cocks 6/6, hens 3/3; Linnets Mules, 6/- upwards; related to my winners; cash; approval: Breeze, Littleport. (1891)

WANTED, Scotch Fancies, exchange gent's cycle or sell £4; approval both ways; birds first: Wm. Jam Smith, 13, Fiddlay-st., Killyth. (1896)

EXCHANGE pair of strong boots, 10/-, steel 19s. 6 and heels, everlasting wear, for Yorkshire cock Canary: Fisherwood, Leadmills, Mod. (1895)

TWO Norwich cocks, full song, 6/6 each, h n 2/6, cold room, exchange stately house-moulted British: Police, Albrighton, Wolverhampton. (1890)

NORWICH hen Canary, good breeder, and grand cock Greenfinch, sell 2/6, or exchange Rabbit: Silvester, 27, Retreat-st., Highgate, N. (1891)

GENT'S bike in perfect running order, good covers, tubes, free-wheel, etc., sell 25/-; exchange birds: Dent, 19, Beechburn Crook, Darham. (1895)

WILL exchange Canaries for Bullfinches, Goldfinches, toy dogs, puppies, any live stock: Syd. Motherole, Live Stock Emporium, Leicester. (1875)

EXCHANGE smart yell. cock, 1913, two buff hens, 1914, Yorkshires wanted, good air gun; sell 15/-: Suffell, 6, John-st., Romiley, Stockport. (1897)

BLACK Pom, brood bitch, good mother, pedigree contains champions; sacrifice, 35/-; or exchange; poultry preferred: Ward, Greer, Tipton. (1892)

NOTICE.—We want poultry, Bantams, pigeons, rabbits, anything; in exchange for eultery and plate, etc.: Smith Bros., 47, Pear-st., Sheffield. (1890)

PAIR Black Japanese Bantams (Horsfall's) 17/6, exchange good Roller, in full song; yours first: Johnstone, Balcaryvi, Windygates, Fife. (1894)

EXCHANGE 50 phonograph records, in perfect condition, for 4 pair Canaries, or sell 25/-: Whit-lay, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (1895)

FLIGHT cage and double cage, male and 2 hen Canaries, worth £3 6, or will exchange for Amazon Parrot: Bevan, 4, Chapel-terr., Bevan-st., Hull. (1890)

EXCHANGE pair pedigree Racing Homers for young cl. buff Norwich hen; yours first; offers: Larcombe, 65, King Edward-st., Blaczarwy. (1894)

THREE grand Magpies, out-door aviary mounted, fit for show, 5/- each, exchange either for cock Canary, full song: Salmons Lodge, Towersey. (1894)

WILL exchange three large, healthy Norwich hens for two cock Goldfinch or Linnets mules; mutual approval: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1894)

WANTED, good Crested hen, exchange pair Borders and Norwich cock; approval both ways: Martin, 25, Bigheraigends, Kilsyth, Glasgow. (1891)

2 WORDS IN THROUGHOUT

is the rate charged for all advertisements not relating to birdkeeping. The following heading are available: Aquarium; Business; Cats; Cavies; Clothing; Cycles; Dress; Ferrets; Garden; Household; Kennel; Mice; Musical Instruments; Natural History; Photography; Pigeons; Pigs; Poultry; Rabbits; Sport; Stamps; and Various.

EXCHANGE for cycle in good condition, 6 hens, 3 cock Yorkshires, bred from winners; yours first: Geo. E. Morley, Hallas, Kirkburton, Huddersfield. (1890)

EXCHANGE 6 Crossbred pullets and cockerel, healthy, April hatched, for 4 pairs Canaries: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (1895)

EXCHANGE six ivory handled knives and pen-knives for one cock Canary, or one dozen cock Linnets: Marden, 175, St. Philip's-rd., Sheffield. (1896)

PURE-BRED Bull-terrier dog, 1 1/2 years, for Roller cock Canaries, B.R.C.C. rung; approval: Fred Davis, 74, Skegby-rd., Annesley, Woodhouse, Notts. (1896)

PRIZE Roller cocks, 25/- each, singing; house-moulted cock Linnets, 4/-; exchange gramophone, organ, harmonium: Clayton, New Lane, Drighlington. (1890)

LARGE dark Goldfinch-Mule cock, and three Borders, hens, one Chinnanon, sell cheap or exchange British or Norwich: Robb, Haidresser, Crossgate, Wifeshire. (1898)

NOTICE, birds of any description taken in exchange for cages or loose fronts, any size made; state offers and wants: Leigh, 37, Everton terr., Liverpool. (1898)

GENTS tweed overcoat, latest fashion, with belt, nearly new, lit man 5ft. 9ins.; exchange cock Canaries, Mules; offer: Tomson, 111, High-rd., Willesden Green. (1893)

EXCHANGE cock Goldfinch Mule and cock Greenfinch Mule, fit to win, for good Norwich hens; approval: N. Clarke, 144, Dunsdale-parade, Wolstanton, Staffs. (1892)

"HOLY WAR" one bound volume, "Pilgrim's Progress" one bound volume; exchange both for pair Norwich or offers: Hurrell, Updown Hill, Windleham, Surrey. (1891)

SHOPKEEPERS and others: Sign writing, ticket-writing, display, sale, Xmas poster writing executed promptly, neatly; exchange birds, cages, anything; Cypher, Bedwas. (1890)

WILL exchange black curly Retriever bitch for yellow Norwich hens or sell £1 15/-; stamp reply; yours first: Turnbull, 27, Holywood-sq., 5b, Cannon-gate, Edinburgh. (1893)

EXCHANGE, Christmas presents, exceptional ladies and gent's umbrellas, for singing Canaries; offers: Dobbs, Umbrella Manufacturer, 866, Rochdale rd., Manchester. (1891)

EXCHANGE four cage-moulted cock Linnets, three Goldfinches, in full song, pair Canaries, cages, etc., gramophone records wanted: Crow, Teables, 161, Willesden lane, N.W. (1891)

FOUR Lancashire show cages and joiner-made carrying case, good as new, sacrifice, 10/6; exchange Rollers in song or anything useful: Hallett, Slindbunds, Smithybridge, Lanes. (1890)

EXCHANGE good Yorkshire cock, yellow or buff, for really good cock yellow Greenfinch; must be first-class bird; no rubbish; approval: J. Lane, 15, Aberdeen-ter., Bradford. (1890)

ELECTRIC Edison Bell phonograph, with large brass horn and stand, motor alone worth £5; exchange gent's cycle, or offers: Williamson, Mount Pleasant, Huddings, Alfreton. (1891)

EXCHANGE Ever-ready electric torch, new, cost 10/6, for pair of good Norwich, or 2 large yellow hens, or exhibition British; genuine; yours first: Page, 3, Balfour-rd., Southall. (1890)

ONE 9ft. flight or breeding cage, 7 compartments, egg-drawers, bath, five small cages, two cock Canaries, one taken prizes, lot £2 12/6; nearest offer: Price, 45, Coronation-st., Tondou. (1893)

GRAMOPHONE (by the Gramophone Co., H.M.V.), as new, cost £4 10/-, sell 45/-; or offer in common Canaries; also good records cheap: Ward, 40, Greyhound-rd., Kensal Rise, Willesden. (1894)

TABLE cutlery, £1 parcel, consisting of 36 pieces, Ivorine handle knives, Carlton silver forks and spoons, the whole lot for 4 cock Canaries on song: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheldiff. (1890)

GENTLEMAN'S new English silver lever, capped, fully jewelled, good time-keeper, cost four guineas, sell 20/-; exchange Goldfinches, Canaries or Mules; Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (1894)

WANTED, in exchange, Canaries, Parrot or British birds, for curly coated Retriever bitch, not a white spot on her, one year old, collar, lock and chain, or for sale, 18/6: W. Prout, Taillywd, Neath. (1892)

FOR sale three pairs first-class Norwich, £3; or exchange gramophone, mangle, china, anything useful for household; also film camera, 10/-; anything useful: Mackintosh, South Ropeworks, Peterhead. (1895)

PAIR racing homers, 3/-; double compartment trap cage, call bird, 1/6; cock Lark, with cage, 1/6; hen, two cluckies, three months, 4/-; exchange Canaries, Mules, cash; approval: Smith, 232, Grange-rd., Plaistow. (1893)

EXCHANGE; giving up all my stock; high-class Glueck Rollers for sale; cocks 10/6, hens 3/-; exchange sheets, curtains, cigars, gent's boots, cycle, 2-speed; offers: Morrison, 46, Charnley-rd., Blackpool. (1893)

WINDSOR banjo, case, cost £10, £5; whippet dog, winner, coursing, rug, collar, lead, 20/-; pair field-glasses, case, 15/-; Bullfinches, Goldfinches, 2/-, hens 1/-; exchange what you like; approval: Robinson, 77, Harboro-rd., Rushden. (1896)

BLACK curly retriever bitch, affectionate, trained to gun and ferrets, splendid stock bitch, 20/-; also pair ferrets, good workers, 4/- each; exchange lot for birds, or separate, Rollers, Borders, or British preferred: James Grant, 33, St. Peter-st., Peterhead. (1898)

EXCHANGE exceedingly handsome Pomeranian dog, 16 months, 9lbs., satin black white, abundance of coat, pretty foxy face, short legs, carriage tail, house trained, lovely companion, no vice, sell 15/6, worth 30/-; letters only: Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham. (1896)

WHAT offers Columbia gramophone, cost £4 10/-, 1-plate Kiito pocket camera, cost £2 10/-, silver lever watch, cost 28/-; cash offers preferred; or exchange anything useful; all good bargains; no cards: William Bryan, 40, Trafalgar-rd., Hightown, Wrexham. (1895)

WANTED, cash offers or Canaries for Edison Gem phonograph, two aluminium and large brass horn and stand, 50 good records and carrying-case, holds three dozen records, all in good condition, machine without marks and perfect order, all complete: Harris, 51, Diamond-st., Heavily, Stockport. (1892)

EXCHANGE household goods, boots, clothing, cycle tyres, cutlery, air-guns, and goods of all descriptions, for live stock of any kind whatever; hundreds of testimonials from all over England; wanted birds, fowls, pups, or anything alive: Jopson's Exchange stores, 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1895)

WIRE-HAIR Fox Terriers, Final Shot, winner several firsts, two silver cups, etc., £4 4/-; dam of above by Ch. Newmarket Cackler, £2 2/-; bitch by Ch. Short Circuit, £2; puppy by Final Shot from 15/6; offers considered or exchange pedigrees, etc.: Branksome Villa, Sunnysdene-rd., Purley, Surrey. (1887)

FOUL yellow-green cock, 1013, winner, 20/-; self-green, bred winners, 15/-; foul yellow, half Lancashire, double yellow bred, and foul buff hen, 15/-; self green and foul buff hen, 15/-; good feeding hen, 2/6, 43 lot; exchange good concertina, mirrors, or gramophone, or anything useful: Heywood, 105, High-st., Lees, Oldham. (1896)

INCUBATOR, by Taylor, 100 egg, £2 10/-; another by Fox, 100 egg, 25/-; boy's overcoat, nearly new, 10/6, suit boy 15 years; six 10in. double-sided, 16 7in. single-sided disc records, 12/-; pair of clap nets, fit by 12yds., complete, Goldfinch Mule and cages, £1; or exchange Yorkshire Canaries: M. Alexander, 4, Canon-rd., Canning Town, London, E. (1899)

BLACK pedigree Pom, female, little white on chest, 9 months, weight 3 1/2lb., proper ear, tail carriage; accept 25/-; also gramophone and records, sell cheap; exchange Grey Parrot, post cards ignored; Enoch A ton, c/o G. Broadhurst, 28, Grange-st., Alfreton, Derbyshire. (1892)

WANTED, good pair young Yorkshire stock birds and cages; exchange maiden Airedale bitch, Peerless Primrose, registered and extended pedigree, or sell 50/-; initial approval: J. Ferrabee, 18, Rushden Hill, Rushden, Northamptonshire. (1899)

SINGING Canaries, 1914 bred, bubbling over with song, sell or exchange for B.S.A. air gun, anything useful for home, limited number hens, exchange for clear yellow Norwich hens, unlighted, will give two for one: Bullock, York-st., Harborne, Birmingham. (1897)

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and loods, good commission: Trower, 42, Caledonland-rd., London. (1899)

SHOPKEEPERS, send for my wholesale price list of cage fronts, box cages, cage knobs, pottery, glass, etc.: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton. (1899)

Aquarium.

GOLDFISH, list free; Russian Carp, 1/6 dozen, 50 5/6, 100 10/6, all healthy fish; cans 6d.: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1887)

WANTED, for cash, small Aquarium, state size and lowest possible price; approval; deposit: Shields, 87, Harrington-rd., Workington. (1891)

GOLDFISH, all sizes, rare fish, plants, snails, aquaria, etc., list free; catalogue of aquaria and vivaria, 1d.: L. Cira and Sons, Vine-st., Clerkenwell-rd., London, E.C. (1890)

AQUARIUMS, all about stocking aquariums with plants, rockery and fish, and much helpful advice on the feeding and management of the occupants, will be found in "Nutshell No. 21," 2d. post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents, a list of whom is published frequently).

Cats.

S. H. RED, tabby, male and female: Cole, Oak View, Wislaw, South. (1898)

BLUE Persians, orange eyes, sire Gondolier, 5 months, 15/-, £1 1/-: Mrs. Hicks, Wadhurst. (1892)

CREAM Persian male kitten, 5 months, 10/- for show, stud or pet: Mrs. Herring, Greta Bridge, Barnard Castle. (1894)

JUST OUT! Nutshell No. 27, "The Care of the Cat." A highly interesting and instructive little booklet, dealing fully with the Housing, Breeding, Mating, Rearing, Feeding, Exhibiting, Management, Diseases, Varieties, etc., etc. Price 2d., from our Nutshell agents, or 2d., post free, from CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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Cycles.

GENTS, 2-speed, 24-inch Eadie cycle, excellent condition, 50/-, exchange Canaries; offers: Holway, 6, Catherine-st., Swansea. (1895)

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FEW smart Border Fancies, good shape and quality, for sale, reasonable, on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)

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LAST, 8, Bank-buildings, Purley, is selling some of his prize Borders; see show reports Clapham, L. and P.O.S., Penge, L.C.B.A., etc.; state wants; inspection invited; reasonable prices. (1905)

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CHAMPION Borders, many grand birds still left, and must clear, they can win, all related to my winners (see Glasgow report), cocks from 5/- to 40/-, hens 3/6 to 30/-, all colours; approval; offers exchange: Patterson, Grocer, Chirnside, Berwickshire. (1913)

CHAMPION marks, in ten classes with marks this season have won eight firsts, second, three thirds; some nice stock hens, clears, and marks, also pairs, related these winners, also greens and cinnamons, cheap; approval: John Nicholson, Westgate, Halt-whistle. (1917)

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CRESTS and Crest-breds, all colours, moderate, price reasonable; approval: Rister, 106, Rectory-rd., Gateshead. (1916)

WANTED, good unflighted Crest hen, in exchange for pair of Norwich, cost 70/-; J. Osborne, John-st., Sligo. (1913)

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CRESTS, massive, winners; cock or hen, 10/6, 20/- each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1851)

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YOUNG clear Crest-bred cock, £4 10/-; also other Crests and Crest-breds; approval: Geo. Dobson, 103, James-st., Blyden. (1915)

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FEW colour-fed Norwich for sale, cocks from 5/6, hens 3/-; cash or deposit: Dack, Worlingham, Beccles. (1874)

NORWICH, birds of size and substance, must part with them; approval: Henderson, 37, Grant-st., Wick. (1903)

EXHIBITION Norwich, a few good birds, buff and yellows, fed, cheap to clear: Sleep, 10, Oakfield-ter., Plymouth. (1913)

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UNFLIGHTED buff Norwich, hens from 2/6; 2 buff cocks 10/- each: Buck, 4, Beatrice-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (1913)

FROM Palace show birds, Norwich cocks, 7/6, hens 3/7, seen by appointment: Fabris, 15, Hyde Park Mansions, N.W. (1899)

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HIGH-CLASS Norwich, from 8/6, 10/- pair, cock 7/6, hens 5/- upwards; approval: Grout, 64, Hughenden-rd., Norwich. (1912)

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SIX unflighted Norwich cocks, colour-fed, 20/-; six buff hens, 14/-; approval, deposit: Smith, 102, Russell-st., Northampton. (1909)

GRAND Norwich, 1914, for sale, good birds, some fit to win, prices reasonable; approval: Wm. Jaffey, 73, River-st., Brechin. (1914)

T. IRONS, breeder champion Norwich winner at the L.C.B.A.; good birds for sale cheap: Aviarics, Ivy-rd., Northampton. (1913)

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CHAMPION Norwich, show or stock birds, clears or variegated; state wants and price prepared to pay; approval; stamp reply: Pepper, 5, Greek-st., Hawthorne-aven., Hull. (1908)

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HIGHLY bred Norwich, good headed buff cock and big variegated yell. hen, 25/-; yellow cock, 10/-; good headed buff hen, big unflighted buff hen, 12/6 each: Norman, Bird Artist, Lyric, Carlshaton, Surrey. (1892)

I WON 3 firsts, 1 second, 2 specials and challenge cup (second time) at Leyton, with four birds; all my birds for sale, no exception: grand quality, cheap: Tuck, 9, The Crescent, Walthamstow, E. (1911)

THREE Norwich cocks at 7/- each; 8 Norwich hens at 4s. each; or nearest offer for all; approval: H. Jones, Strickland-rd., Shotton, Chester. (1906)

GRAND buff Norwich stock cock, good head and wings, marvellous size, winner, with lovely yellow hen, also winner; the pair only 17/6, a bargain; approval: North, Breder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1917)

FORTY champion Norwich Canaries, have decided to give up keeping owing to not having time to look after them. No better blood in England; state wants to: W. Brookes, 13, Cheltenham-st., Swindon. (1915)

RED Cross Fund; buff Norwich cock, singing, and show cage; also yellow marked Norwich hen, to be sold to the best offer received Tuesday next, Dec. 8, to benefit above fund: Tyson, 169, Sloane-st., London. (1910)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich Canaries, for song or show, for sale (Fed) 1913 clear yellow cock 15/-, third at Cardiff, Dec. 28th; young yellow cocks from 7/6; good birds, overstocked: H. Coker, 89, Riscard-rd., Newport (Mon.). (1912)

H. THURLEY, 153, Northumberland Park, Tottenham, has good Norwich for disposal; exhibition and feeding strain; see City and Suburban and L.C.B.A. wins; single birds from 7/6; inspection cordially invited. (1908)

CLEAR yellow cock, too large for show, grand stock bird, 35/-; clear or marked buff hen, to match, 10/- each, or 45/- the three; marked yellow cock, 20/-; approval willingly: Whent, Postmaster, Cambridge Town, Essex. (1915)

PRIZE-BRED Norwich: Have some champion buff hens from 5/-; buff cocks from 12/-; all bred from my winners; see L.P.O.S., City and Sub.; var. buff cock, 1st L.C.B.A. Linnet class, 25/-; Smith, 45, Birkbeck-grove, Acton, W. (1909)

JAMES M. THOMAS can spare a few nice Norwich related to his winners at Shipley, City of Bradford, Tong, Bradford National, etc.; see reports; prices very reasonable; approval, cash or deposit: 12, Birchfield Villas, Hebbden Bridge, Yorks. (1914)

MR. ECKERSLEY can spare a few more birds from his famous strain; fine, large, variegated, yellow cock, 30/- only; ticked yellow hen, winner, 40/-; bargain; some grand stock birds, very cheap: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1913)

THIRTY 1914 Norwich cocks and hens, yellows and buffs, all non-fed, cold-room bred, in perfect health; out of nine entries (four classes) at the City and County Show had three 1sts, four 2nds, two 3rds: Mrs. Jas. Banks, 51, Balhouse-st., Perth, Scotland. (1914)

HAVE 10 extra grand yellow hens, with size, etc., 15/- and £1 each; also 10 grand buff hens, 10/6, 12/6, and 15/- each; these are worth double; tip-top pairs from 15/- to £5 per pair; approval, with pleasure: The Greatest Norwich Specialist, Judge Sisk, Whitstable. (1910)

W. LIDGETT, winner two silver challenge cups Newark Show last week, also runner-up: Massive buff cock, cup winner (not yellow as report says), £2, worth £5, grand stock bird; buff hen (runner-up), 10/6; variegated yellow hen, 3rd same show, 10/6: Lidgett, Grocer, Newark. (1915)

GREAT sacrifice, must clear immediately, massive framed, large-headed, colour-fed buff Norwich cock, unflighted, winner 5 honours recently, 15/-; also yellow cock of equal merits, 12/-, not been shown, very typical specimen, worth treble: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1919)

TYPICAL, deep, colour-fed, thick-set, unflighted buff Norwich hens, winner 2nd last week, and recently won two other prizes, accept 10/6; also variegated buff and yellow, of equal merit, 7/6 each; compulsory sale, worth treble; show cages, 2/- extra: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1919)

I HAVE a few good Norwich for disposal, prices reasonable; inspection invited; same related to my winners see reports North Manchester also Open-shaw and Gorton and Sale open show, winning 3 medals, including Sandford's: Cain, 15, Eefton-st., Ashton New-rd., Bradford, Manchester. (1910)

YOU have size but cannot win? Why? You lack type, quality and colour. I have yellow and buff cocks, medium size, lovely type and quality, bred from big birds, just suit large hens, from 10/-; have you read report of Reading and L.C.B.A.? Approval: G. W. Saunders, Thursley Hall, Haslemere. (1909)

NORWICH Canaries, 1/11, by C. A. House. Tells the fancier all that he needs to know to enable him to become successful as a breeder and exhibitor of the Norwich Plainhead. The chapters on "Forming a Stud," and "How to Produce the Ideal," are worth the cost of the whole book many times over: "Cage Birde," 154, Fleet-street, London. (1916)

A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster, winner at Liverpool, Manchester, Halifax and Sale, offers large yellow cock, beautiful quality, good head, 30/-; another yellow cock, also large and good head, 25/-; large clear buff cock, good head and neck, 25/-; unflighted buff cock, a beauty, 20/-; two yellow hens, real gems for quality and shape, 20/- each; buff hens, from 10/6. (1916)

W. MILES, Aviarics, Chichester, offers clear buff hen, 3rd Palace, 1914, 60/-; monster eye-marked buff cock, 6th winner, 50/-; unflighted wing-marked buff, a model, 35/-; clear yellow cock, 3rd Boscombe, 25/-; ticked buff cock, 2nd Boscombe, 21/-; clear yellow hen, winner, red hot colour, grand size, 25/-; three-pointed yellow hen, winner, 21/-, all above are less than half their value; approval. (1912)

R. COLLEY

78, Cokerhill, Glasgow, can now supply a few matched pairs, of high-class Norwich type and quality correct; price on application; approval with pleasure. (1912)

PURE NORWICH.

Bred from the best blood in the country: Smart cobby buff hen, 10/-; large cobby buff cock, 12/6; and large yellow cock, 12/6; will guarantee satisfaction, or return your money; particulars: Taylor, Grocer, Parliament-st., Burnley. (1914)

GRAND OPPORTUNITY.

To procure the strain that has won this season at L.C.B.A. Liverpool, Manchester, Nottingham, Alfreton, Wirksworth, etc. (including specials); grand unflighted cocks, typical hens, prices reasonable; enquiries solicited: Dean, Holmewood, Matlock. (1912)

PLYMOUTH PLAINHEADS

are the best. At Plymouth show I won Norwich Challenge Cup, special most points and 15 money prizes: winners for sale: non-flight buff cocks, 2nd 40/-, 4th 20/-; 1913 buff, 2nd, 20/-; 1913 yellow, 1st, 20/-; others from 10/6: Thomas Pope, 98, Embankment-rd., Plymouth. (1905)

WINNING NORWICH.

Clear yellow cock, winner several prizes, 4th Manchester, class of 17, in show form, £3 10/-; unflighted clear yellow, perfect head, grand quality, can win, 45/-; marked yellow unflighted, 20/-; approval: Hirst, 17, Rainsbottom-st., Accrington. (1906)

Lizards.

ONE 1914 gold cock, 7/6; 1914 silver hen, 7/6; and gold hen, 4/-, parent to above; two show cages and case, 4/6, real bargain: Taylor, Grocer, Parliament-st., Burnley. (1914)

Lancashires.

YELLOW Cobby hen, 1913, 12/-; yellow Cobby cock, her son, 10/-; two 15/-; approval: Butler, Grocer, Station-rd., Hitchin. (1911)

LARGE pair (Lancashire-Norwich cross) Canaries, good quality, sell 10/6; grand yellow cock Greenhinch Mule, a real good one, sell £1; approval: Robinson, Boot Maker, Winsford, Cheshire. (1909)

YOUNG buff cobby cock, 20/-; do. Plainhead, 2nd L.C.B.A., yellow Plainhead, 3rd L.C.B.A., 20/-; monster buff Plainhead cock, won every time shown, 10/-; buff cobby hen, 7/6; approval; see show report: Minty, Stony-st., Frome. (1906)

F. J. GREEN offers large, clear buff cobby cock, and grand yellow Plainhead cock, 40/- each, both winners first Horticultural Hall this week (see report); also buff Plainhead cock, bred from two cobbies, 20/-; ditto, 20/-; good buff Plainhead hen, 15/6; must sell immediately owing to pressure of duties; stamp: 103, High-st., Lowestoft. (1916)

London Fancy.

FOUR stock pairs for sale, reasonable, good birds, odd hens also, cheap: Filby, Ealing Common. (1904)

Greens.

NORWICH Greens, four pairs, 25/- pair; or exchange for clear Borders: Bratherton, 26, Fairclough-lane, Liverpool. (1906)

NORWICH greens, yellows, and buffs, same mixing as my Manchester winning hen; approval: Jenkins, 82, Church-st., Widnes. (1855)

L. F. HARDING has a few of his celebrated Norwich Greens for sale; winner outright G.C.A. cup; 29a, Market-st., Wellingboro'. (1908)

ONE pair of high-class Yorkshire Greens, 20/-; also a pair of clears, 15/-; all unflighted bred from winners: Howarth, No. 17 Back Crawford-st., Rochdale. (1909)

STOCK and show birds, from my celebrated winners, holders of the G.C.A. cup; inspection invited; prices reasonable: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1909)

HAVING had a good season with my Yorkshire Greens have a few very nice birds to spare, also few clears and marked, sell reasonable to clear quickly: G. Smith, Wellington House, Sandhurst, Berks. (1909)

GREEN Canaries, how to manage them and keep them in excellent condition. Full information on this subject is contained in the Nutshell booklet, "Green Canaries," price 2d., post free. Write, The Publisher, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1911)

Norwich.

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J. C. BARNES, Norwich and Yorkshire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strains. Better blood unobtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (1905)

ALEX. M. GARDINER, a few Norwich for sale; no better blood; grand type and quality.—Reid's Buildings, Newtoongrange. (1908)

J. HODDER, breeder of puro Norwich, winner of champion diplomas, silver cups, medals, etc.; good birds at reasonable prices; approval; stamp: 6, Banner-st., St. Lukes, London, E.C. (1908)

FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Winner leading shows. Champion Norwich, fit to win local shows, from 20/-; unflighted birds from 7/6; matched pairs from 20/- pair; approval; stamp. (1908)

WANTED Norwich: Pearson, Greerwich. (1900)

NORWICH songsters for sale from 4/- to 6/-: Watson, Central-avenue, Nuneaton. (1908)

NORWICH Canaries, cocks 6/6, hens 3/-, 3/6: C. S., 13, Bat man-st., Cambridge. (1912)

NORWICH cock, 5/6, 6/- each; hens, 2/6 each, or 7/6 pair: A. C. Hitch, 132, Ber-st., Norwich. (1906)

SOME good Norwich, pairs from 15/-; inspection by appointment: Bell, 49, St. Josephs-rd., Hornsey. (1915)

NORWICH cock, on full song, splendid shape, can win, 7/6; approval: Fred Allen, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1899)

THREE good natural yellow Norwich hens, 5/6 each; approval: 81, Langham-rd., Teddington. (1917)

LARGE unflighted wing marked colour-fed buff Norwich cock, 6/6: F. Jensen, 6, Clifton-ter., Kenilworth. (1914)

FOR sale, fine yellow Norwich cocks, grand birds, 6/- each; worth 8/-: J. K., 27, Devonshire-rd., South Wing. (1911)



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The above strain needs no bouncer. All I need do is to refer you to reports of leading shows. My birds are still winning consistently. For years they have been in the front rank, winning numerous champion trophies of the Specialist Clubs. There is no better blood in the Fancy. I am now offering a few pairs bred from these noted winners at above prices. Single birds, cocks or hens, at proportionate prices. Every bird is worth double. I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows: **Smart Thick-set Cocks**, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Good Cobly Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6, 10/- each. Matched breeding pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 17/6, 20/- per pair.

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Grand lengthy Yorkshire Cocks, in perfect feather and condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. Erect racy Hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. Matched Pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. **EXHIBITION YORKSHIRES** bred from my own winners, and ready for immediate benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- each upwards. I have also a choice selection of Crested, Borders, Miles, British, Rollers, etc., etc. I invite all fanciers to come and make their own selection. To those unable to come I am prepared to send one or more birds to any address in the United Kingdom, on 10 days' approval, at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to everyone, or cash returned in full. Send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue. Travelling Cages, 3d. extra in all cases. Easy payments arranged with genuine fanciers.

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Rollers & Singing Canaries

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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England.

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WANTED Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)
HIGH-CLASS Roller hens, 2/6 and 3/-: J. Cavis, 17, Roman-rd., Preston. (1907)
1914 **ROLLER** cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Aviaries, Gorseinon. (1892)
ROLLER cocks, full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9; hens, 2/-; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1919)
PURE Rollers, none better at 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (1878)
GLUCKE and Seifert Rollers, club rung, 1914, cocks 10/6, hens 3/-: R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescott. (1850)

ROLLER show cages, strictly club pattern, 3/- each, special price per doz.: Osborne, Dudley rd., Wolverhampton. (1919)
BRITISH Roller cocks, 7/6, warranted; hens, 2/-: J. Park, Breeder of High-class Rollers, 69, Essex-st., Preston. (1904)
GLUCKE Rollers, bred from contest birds, some deep-toned Gluckes from 10/- each: Macready, Jeweller, Stranraer. (1917)
SEIFERT Rollers, full song, cold-room bred, sing anywhere, 6/6, 7/6, hens, 1/9; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (1905)
PURE Randall's strain; a few good stock birds, B3, also winners, for sale; approval: Hayward, Melksham, Wilts. (1908)
FOR sale, 10 pairs, Seifert Rollers, cocks, in full song, 10/- per pair to clear: Jackson, 1, Hereford-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1912)
ORGAN and schoolmaster trained, young Glucke and Water-Glucke cocks, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6: Higgins, 1, Mary-st., Tyldestey. (1874)
PURE Rollers, Randall's, cold-room bred, perfect bench, full song; cocks 7/6: Close, 33, Chesterfield rd., Blackpool. (1904)
ROLLER hens, splendid quality, bred from my champion strain, 2/-, 3/- each: Fred Allen, B.R.C.C., 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1908)
DEEP Glucke Rollers, winning strain, cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens from 3/6: Parker, 16, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (1918)
FOR sale young songster Canaries, guaranteed cocks and on song, 4/-, 4/6, and 5/-: Arthur Munks, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts. (1897)
DEEP Glucke Roller cocks, B.R.C.C. rung, from 10/6, hens 3/- and 5/- each: T. Gradwell, 53, Campbell-st., Moses Gate, nr. Bolton. (1910)
LEIPZIG Rollers. Cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 3/-, 4/-, 10 days' approval; my risk: Colclough, Erie House, Stone-rd., Longton, Staffs. (1905)
NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911)
WANTED, two Roller Schoolmasters, in exchange for new Ashford's chimney-sweeping machine, cost 40/-: Taylor, 60, South-st., New Ross. (1914)
WALTON'S champion Glucke, water Glucke Roller; cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; approval, deposit: Walton, 6, Cross Green Crescent, Leeds. (1875)
HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, organ and schoolmaster trained, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6; hens, 3/6; approval: Hunter, 21, Cross-st., Prescott. (1909)
CHAMPION 1914 Roller cocks, in full song, from 10/6; hens, same strain, from 5/-; first come first served: Tom Horsfield, Outfitter, Farnworth, S.O. (1914)

ROLLER cocks, in full song day and gaslight, 8/6 each; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1917)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained; cocks from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (1914)

GLUCKE and Water-Glucke Rollers, young cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; hens same strain, 5/6; 7 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Great Harwood. (1852)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1913)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's, highly trained cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 3/-; pairs selected; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1860)

A FEW rare imports, Leipzig birds, 1913 hatched, moulted and in full song, these are all highest quality, specially imported: Mrs. Hollins, Coppice Drive Aviaries, Harrogate. (1912)

NOTICE, Glucke cock, the Newton 1913, 2 young cocks on song, also 6 Glucke hens, all B.R.C.C. rung; lot 42, or nearest offer: W. Demings, Fleet-st., Pemberton, Wigan. (1913)

SEE Commercial's other advertisement: Rollers "H. Best" strain. Owing to having to remove 11 cocks, 7/6 each, 11 hens, 2/6; cages, 1/- each; double breeding cages, 3/- each. (1909)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Rollers, full song day and gaslight; cocks, 10/-; hens, 3/6; seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1917)

BRITISH bred Rollers, young cocks, B4 rung, father winner at five singing contests only times shown, 7/6, 10/6; few hens, same strain, 5/6 couple; Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway Avenue, Bridlington. (1915)

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J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner of 7 cups, including M.R.C.C. challenge cup, scores of medals and specials, has for sale few of his champion strain Rollers, cocks 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, upwards; hens 7/6, 10/- each; approval willingly. (1908)

DEEP Water Glucke Rollers, winners of champion young bird class at Manchester last year, shown at five shows and got a prize at them all, 35/-, bought off Mr. Ives; his sons, 15/-; call any time and hear them sing: Jobson, 151, Penryn-rd., Hunters Bar, Sheffield. (1909)

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GLUCKE and Bell Glucke Rollers for which I gained special, also 1st, 4th, and special for Bass at Inter. show, London, this year; also winner of several cups, medals etc.; B.R.C.C. rung; cold room bred; cocks, 15/-, 20/- each; also two that gained 24 points each Baeup, 25/- each; hens 5/-; approval; cash, deposit or exchange anything useful: Bird, Brook-st., Bilston. (1906)

Rollers Rollers Rollers

Grand collection, from most of noted strains in England, in many cases purchased direct from such well-known names. Cocks (not so-called cocks), 5/-, 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 upwards. Pairs, matched for breeding, 6/6 to 22/6; cages, 3d. Approval with pleasure:
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A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale; good stock birds: William Muirhead, Main-st., Bannockburn. (1885)
A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale, good stock birds, cheap to clear: S. Jackson, Southfield, Kirkmuirhill. (1916)
FOR sale, 2 Scotch Fancy cocks, yellow and buff, well bred; approval: W. Burgess, 67, Townhead, Irvine. (1916)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley. (1898)

BUFF Piebald, Scotch Fancy hen, lost mate, sell 15/-; approval: Morland, 65, Ravensdowne, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1916)

SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, good stock birds, young, cheap to clear; approval: Hugh Howie, 29, Oswald-rd., Kirkcaldy. (1911)

SCOTCH Fancy, bred from winners, buff-faced yellow hens, yellow pied and buff cocks: Renwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (1915)

SCOTCH Fancy Canaries, giving up breeding; cocks, 15/6; hens, 7/6, to clear: Miller, Clothier, 35, Deptford Bridge, Greenwich. (1914)

ALL my well-known stock for sale, including 16 young birds, cages, rack, etc.: McIlwain, School, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1834)

A FEW good Scotch Fancies for sale, all colours, cocks and hens, young: Apply, William Edgar, 76, Queen-bury-st., Dumfries. (1916)

FOR sale, several first-class Scotch Fancies, able to win, both sexes; reasonable: Wm. Wilson, 246, Allison-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. (1868)

SCOTCH Fancies, yellow and buff cocks, yellow and buff hens; all colours cheap to clear; good birds: Howden, 6, Cochrane-place, Leith. (1914)

SCOTCH Fancies for sale; yellow, buff and piebald cocks and hens; well-bred birds; cheap; also feeding hens: Brown, 18, High-st., Rothesay. (1906)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, offer some clinking exhibition and stud birds, pairs 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; the finest strain in existence; unbeatable for 30 years; many championships Crystal Palace, including championship for best in show, Palace, 1914; approval, cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks.

GAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Laue, Bradford.

WANTED Yorkshires: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)
PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires, from my winners, from 10/- each: Macready, Jeweller, Stranraer. (1917)

THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks singing, lot 6/6: Lloyd, 24, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1879)
YORKS. yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, hens 4/6; approval, deposit: Chubb, Park Close-rd., Alton, Hants.

YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, colour-fed Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester.

THREE grand Yorkshire green cocks, yellow, 7/6 and 10/-, buff 10/-; worth double: Vickers, 4, Worth-st., Wigan. (1914)

YORKSHIRE cocks in full song, from 6/- upwards: Whittaker, 15, Lowton-aven., Church-lane, Moston, Manchester. (1905)

YORKSHIRES for sale, cocks 10/-, hens 4/-; see show reports Clapham, etc.: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (1884)

YORKSHIRES, still a few good pairs left from 15/-, no better blood in the Fancy: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (1918)

TWO grand pairs of Yorkshires, 12/6 a pair; also one cock, 7/-: J. Whalley, 30, Princess-st., Wharton, Winsford, Cheshire. (1910)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale, cheap, guaranteed bred from my winners; approval: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (1916)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale cheap, cocks or hens, own breeding from my winners; approval: Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (1896)
TWO pairs Yorkshires, hens, both reared last season, 8/- pair; one 1914 cock, 5/-: Drake, 19, Westgate, Cleckheaton. (1904)
FIVE splendid young Yorkshires for sale, rare singing birds, price from 5/6 each: Sykes, 6, Furst-, Boothtown, Halifax. (1916)
YORKSHIRES, typical matched pairs from 8/- to 20/- pair; few songsters, 6/6 to 7/6 each: Fewster, Middlesdown, Wakefield. (1896)



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For it that any one of the following are better than in Yorkshire than I or anyone else have ever offered, but just have on approval. I will pay all return carriage. Let us prove the statement by sending any of the following: Cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upward. Cages, 3d.

W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, NORWICH.

YORKSHIRES, 1914 cocks, 7/6; stock cocks, 15/-; 7 days' approval: S. S. Wright, 113, Whitlanc, Pendleton, Manchester. (1905)

FIFTY Yorkshire cocks, on full song, 7/6, 10/6 each, six for 20/-; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1916)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, stock and show birds, the cheapest obtainable, ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1916)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, cocks 5/6, hens 3/-, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: William, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (184)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clear and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1900)

LONG and typical unflighted Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens 4/6 each; inspection invited: Lloyd, 84, Chichele-rd., Crickwood, N.W. (1900)

GIVING up Yorkshire and Norwich clears, champion birds; cocks, 6/-; hens, 3/-; cages, 1/-; utensils: 296, Kensington, Liverpool. (1907)

SEVERAL smart pairs of slim, stylish Yorkshires, rare quality, reasonable; on approval: Robinson, 24, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)

NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911)

SALE, carrying ease, three show cages, one Yorkshire buff cock, yellow hen, 15/-; bargain, deposit: Wright, 10, Shellfield-rd., Southport. (1900)

SEVERAL good Yorkshire cocks for sale, 8/6, 10/6, natural colour, clean and healthy: W. Griffiths, 17, Oldfield-rd., Elk-smere Port, Cheshire. (1913)

SELL 10 pair Yorkshires, 5/6 a pair, own breeding; cash or deposit; inspection invited: W. Spencer, 17, Wood End, Hebdon Bridge, Yorkshire. (1911)

SMART lengthy young Yorkshires for sale, bred from my champions, cocks from 7/6, hens 5/-; approval: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (1899)

REDUCING stock; a few good Yorkshire cocks and hens (buff), from 7/6 and 3/-; well bred: Stubbs, 83, Wellington-row, Bethnal Green. (1906)

YORKSHIRES, grand unflighted cocks, bred from 1st Manchester, Glasgow, Leicester, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; approval: Hirst, Rainsbottom-st., Accrington. (1906)

T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

YORKSHIRES for sale, four pair 8/- pair; yell. and buff cocks, 5/- each; cages for sale; inspection invited any day: J. Baguley, Thornton-le-Clay, York. (1911)

BARGAINS; three yellow, one buff cock, 7/- each; buff hen, 4/6; all won honours; pairs from 10/-; inspection invited: Last, 8, Bank-buildings, Purley. (1909)

THIRTY high-class Yorkshire, single or pairs, must sell; state wants, seen any night; also few British: W. D. Hall, 124, Lancroft-st., Kennington, London. (1915)

M. BUCHANAN, 338, Duke-st., Glasgow, has still a few good birds to sell; cheap; Dr. Lyson's stock; see Glasgow and District, this issue; state wants. (1917)

SLIM 7in. unflighted buff hen, 10/-; ditto yellow cock, 12/6; 1913 clear buff cock, 20/-; ditto yellow hen, 10/-; approval: Flatt, 5, Bramford-lane, Ipswich. (1913)

SALE unflighted buff Yorkshire cock, 1st prize Southport Show, 12/6; yellow hen, 5/- to match; bargain, deposit: Wright, 10, Shellfield-rd., Southport. (1909)

FINE Yorkshire cocks, guaranteed full song, my noted strain, 4/- each; quality hens, 2/-; 7 days' approval, cash or deposit: Radley, 15, Bank-st., Ossett. (1917)

YORKSHIRES, genuine sale, own breeding, cocks from 6/6 to 12/6, hens 3/- to 6/-; cash or deposit; approval: O. Fisher, Albert Villas, Chatteris, Cambs. (1913)

PAIR exceptionally fine Yorkshires, typical birds of highest quality, 18/-, or 3/- with order and 3/- monthly after delivery: Walter Dandie, Osgatborpe, Sheffield. (1912)

THIS year's winners. Note "Cage Birds" reports. Typical unflighted buff cocks from 7/6; buff hens from 5/6; show or stock: Craven, Yelverton-terr., Plymouth. (1912)

A quantity of highest class Yorkshires for stock or show bench; perfect health and condition; send enquiries: Mrs. Hollins, Coppice Drive Aviaries, Harrogate. (1912)

SIX-POINTED yellow cock, 25/-, worth double; tkd. buff cock, a topper, 20/-; several others, cocks from 10/- to 15/-; only want seeing: Larking, 394, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1909)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, few splendid birds for sale, send price prepared to pay, and requirements; no dealers: Mr. Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1915)

OVERSTOCKED, Yorkshire, guaranteed cocks, my winning strain, full song, 4/-; fine hens, 2/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1917)

TYPICAL Yorkshire Canaries for sale, bred from winners; best blood obtainable; exchange entertained; approval: Blackburn, Dixon Close, Bamford, near Rochdale. (1906)



Yorkshires & Norwich

Extra good, smart, lengthy Yorkshire cocks, at 5/0, 7/0, 8/0, 10/6, 12/6 each, on full song. Pairs matched to breed winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/0, 20/- per pair. In Clears, Green Marked, and Cinnamon Marked, and all cold-room kept, colour-fed and natural colour. Typical racy hens at 3/0, 4/0, 5/0, 6/0, 7/0, 8/6 each. Also good stock of large cobby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 6/0, 7/0, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and night songsters. Exhibition Yorkshires and Norwich (cocks or hens), at 10/0, 12/6, 15/0, 20/- each, worth three times these prices offered at. **Easy Payments:** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

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CHAS. MORRISON, the Yorkshire Champion, has about 50 pairs Yorkshires for sale, bred from his winners, 8/6 pair; chance in lifetime; stamp reply: Clifton-rd., Brighouse. (1911)

PARKER'S champion Yorkshires, pairs from 7/6 to 15/0; 1st Bristol, 3rd Oxford, Reading, hottest competition, see report L.C.B.A.; approval, deposit: 58, Gloucester-rd., Bristol. (1911)

GOOD Yorkshires, typical standard length, cocks from 8/6; hens, 5/-; matched pairs, 12/6; also few buff, first-cross, Belgians, 10/6; approval: Geo. York, Melbourne, Derbyshire. (1905)

GRAND lot of Yorkshires and Norwich, guaranteed bred from my winners, from 10/6 each; no rubbish offered; cash with order; approval: Olive, Plumber, Sitt'ngbourne. (1911)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, grand, long, slim, typical cocks, from 5/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colnecrd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1876)

GIVING up Yorkshires; seventeen cocks, 5/- each; seventeen hens, 2/6 each; absolutely a gift; approval; cash or deposit: Sellars, 6, Guildford-st., Fairfield, Hebdon Bridge. (1909)

TWO yellow, two buff unflighted hens, from my winners, 7/6 each, 25/- the four; unflighted yellow or buff cocks, 12/6 each; can win: Hauxford, 65, St. Quintin-av., North Kensington. (1913)

WANTED, any quantity of Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also cock Goldfinch Mules, for prompt cash; stamp envelope reply: Enoch Power, 91, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (1913)

THREE unflighted buff cocks, 15/- each; another very big stock bird, 41/-; hens from 3/-; pairs from 7/6; write, stating wants; satisfaction guaranteed: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (1913)

LARGE cinnamon marked buff cock, yellow hen, 10/- pair; large clear buff cock, yellow hen, 10/-; another pair, 8/-; yellow cock, buff hen, 8/- pair: Crowther, 10, Florist-st., Keighley, Yorkshire. (1907)

HAVING bought the whole of Mr. Crisp's stock of Yorkshires, I have several very long bred yellow cocks for sale; also some good hens; approval: Knight, Beech Hill, Shelford, Cambs. (1911)

ONE Yorkshire cock and two Yorkshire hens, also good breeding cage, four compartments, for Gloucester Roller cocks; offers; sell 25/-; yours first (letters please): Butler, 199, Windmill-rd., Foleshill, Coventry. (1906)

WINNERS: Clear buff cock, 25/-; cinnamon marked buff cock, 25/-; yellow marked hen, 30/-; buff marked hen, 20/-; some lovely stock pairs, 10/- upwards; approval: McLoughlin, Valley-rd., Liversedge, Yorkshire. (1893)

KING'S celebrated Yorkshire, splendid length, type, and quality, several 7in. long, cocks 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hebdon Bridge, Yorkshire. (1916)

PRIZE bred Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, bred from my winners, hens 5/- upwards, cocks 7/6 upwards; cash or deposit; approval with pleasure: Hosken Bros., 85, Main-st., Heamoor, nr. Penzance, Cornwall. (1850)

R. E. HELLIWELL'S high-class Yorkshires, can spare few cocks from 8/-, hens 5/- upwards, related to my King Cross, Liverpool, and Halifax winners, moulted yellow Siskin, 5/-; approval: 149, Claremont-rd., Halifax. (1917)

YORKSHIRES bred from my winners, Dyke's strain; cocks, yellow or buff, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 3/6, 5/-; approval, cash or deposit: Sergeant Thomas Langley, Common Farm, Barkham, Wokingham. (1903)

GIVING up Yorkshires; what offers in Norwich or Randall's Gloucester Rollers for yellow cock, two large buff hens; capital stock birds; sell, 12/6 each; approval, deposit: Fenton Greenwood, Eiffel-st., Hebdon Bridge. (1903)

GRAND big yellow stock bird, 7in. long, and good feather, straight as a rush, with lovely 1914 bred buff hen to match, sure to breed winners, war price to clear, 11, worth double; approval: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1917)

HIGH-CLASS pair 1913 Yorkshires, paired by eminent judge; good breeders; large fed Norwich cocks and hens; must sell; call Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning: Henry Lettis, 2a, Lismore-circus, Haverstock Hill, N.W. (1906)

SMART typical unflighted Yorkshires, from my winning strain; see reports Liverpool, Manchester, Halifax, Bradford Nat.; also few 1/2-bred Belgian cocks; prices reasonable; inspection invited; deposit: Ellis, 256, Pellon-lane, Halifax. (1907)

GRAND buff Yorkshire cock, grand colour and Finch song, can win, with lovely 1914 bred yellow hen to match, a grand start for any novice, price 17/6 the pair; worth double; approval: North, Breder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1917)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, winning strain, cocks 6/6 upwards, hens 4/- upwards, matched pairs 10/-, 12/6, 20/- upwards; large stock birds, from 10/- to 40/- each, healthy; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (1918)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1/1, by H. W. Battye (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1909)

COLOUR-FED Yorkshires, winning strain, cocks, 5/0, 6/0, 7/6 upwards; grand race hens at 2/6, 3/0, 4/6 upwards; six days' approval; cash or deposit, or would exchange for good British Hardbills: North, Breder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1917)

YORKSHIRES, winning strain, 1913 yellow cock, 30/-; buff ticked, 20/-; yellow, 15/-; 1914, yellow tick, 30/-; buff, 20/-; another, 15/-; large stock birds, 10/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; approval, deposit: Clarence Beaumont, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1916)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, great clearance offer; Harris's special silver cup strain, grand exhibition cocks, yellow or buff, to win in keen competition, only 20/-, worth 45/-; yellow or buff hens, real winners, 15/-, worth 43/-; grand stock birds, pairs, properly matched, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, and 30/- per pair; single birds from 5/- upwards; two long breeding cages, one with 3 compartments and one with 5 with movable slides, and all necessary fittings for same, cheap: Elsie Orland, West Haddon, Rugby. (1917)

COCKS 4/- HENS, 1/0.

War prices this year in Yorkshires, Norwich, Borders, cocks, full song, good type and quality, hens perfect at above prices; shows birds, cocks, 6/-, hens 2/6; Crest cock, 6/-; hens, green 2/6, cinnamon 3/6; British Roller cock 7/6; Broadbent, Decorator, Lowfield, Sheffield. (1905)

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Various Canaries.

TWO 1914 cock Canaries, good songsters, 7/- each; slide trombone, 30/-, or nearest offer: 35, Coombe-st., Bruton. (1911)

YOUNG cock Canaries in 5/6, hen Canaries 2/6; clearing out; breeding cages, 3/-; Gash, 36a, Regency-st., Westminster. (1906)

COLD-ROOM bred Canaries, Yorkshires and Yorkshire Rollers; cocks, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6; H. Smith, Church-st., Highbridge. (1912)

YOUNG cock Canaries, in full song, free from chopping, 7/-; hens, 2/-; approval, deposit: Phillips, Hairdresser, Darlaston, Staffs. (1917)

YOUNG British bred Roller cocks, 5/-; also young Yorkshire cocks, 7/-; inspection invited: E. Wort, 91, Speke-rd., Clapham Junction, S.W. (1908)

SOME good Norwich and Yorkshires and breeding cages, bargain; also six Norwich show cages and case, 10/-; Lingard, 29, Marlboro-st., Burnley. (1905)

ONE yellow, 1 buff Yorkshire cocks, 1 buff Dark Crested Norwich cock, 8 German cocks, 4 hens, lot 23; Whitehead, 69, Grasscroft-st., Stalybridge. (1906)

DO you want a Canary for Christmas I will send you a young bird, full song, in a new parlour cage for 14/6: Evans, Grocer, 8, Charlewood-st., Pimlico, London. (1899)

1914 NORWICH cocks, clear, yellows; also Yorkshire cocks, in green, yellow, marked and buff green marked, 5/- each: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Hebdon Bridge. (1896)

GRAND Yorkshire hens, 1913-1914, clears, cinnamons, greens, evenmarked, from 3/- upwards; exchange few for Lancashire Plainheads: T. Blundell, 3, Shaftesbury-rd., Crosby, Huddersfield. (1917)

NOTE: Buff varieg. 1914 cock, yell. green cock 1913, can win in hot class, 27/6 and 25/-; approval; 50/- to take the two; 2 or 3 pairs to breed winners. 30/- and 42/- Mrs. Dawes, 44, Howard-rd., Mansfield. (1917)

ONE cock Norwich (clear), 8/6; one 1914 cock Norwich, 6/-; two clear cock Yorkshires, 6/- each; 1 variegated, 8/6; one cock Roller (green), 8/6; hen Roller, 2/-; bargain: H. Dawson, 55, Walecot-st., Hull. (1916)

REDUCING stock, winners, Norwich Plainheads, Cinnamons, from 12/6 each; parents of 2nd Oxford, 1st Cambridge, 20/- pair; exchange exhibition British or high-class mules: Henry P. Hart, Meldreth, Cambs. (1912)

BUFF cocks, six really good quality, large, typical birds, invaluable for stock purposes, all 1913 bred; to effect a speedy clearance the above are offered at from 15/- to 25/- each; approval with pleasure: R. Whittaker, 15, Clark-st., Rishton. (1904)

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COCK Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, healthy and in song, with solid brass suspend hanging cage, glass panelled and highly finished, 10/6; easy payments taken: Hope, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1900)

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Finest and handsomest, extra early hatched, and caged off singly; pure-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Mules, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6. Cages, 3d. Approval. Read one opinion only: "Pontypridd, Dec. 1, 1914.—Songster is a grand one. I have bought birds from others at much higher prices, but not one to be compared with yours, not when even double the price has been paid."—Jas. Dean to: W. RUDD, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

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A few fine cocks and hens, from our best winning strain, winner of 5,000 prizes this last 30 years at all leading shows. Cocks from 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-; any on approval. Breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Judge, Preston, Lancs.

MULES—HYBRIDS.

WANTED Mules: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)

WANTED, Mules, both sex: Chas. Palmer and Sons, Bird Dept., 68, Selater-st., Shoreditch. (1900)

THREE nice dark cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/- each, 12/6 three, sex warranted: Alfred Spicer, 392, Chesham, Bucks. (1912)

FOR sale, four Goldfinch Mules, £1 each; also two 19/- each; worth double: A. Moodie, Black Horse Inn, Creetown. (1850)

EVEN-marked Goldfinch Mule, nest mate to cup winner at Sale, £1; cheap; approval: Hodgson, Southend, Wigton. (1907)

FOUR cock Goldfinch Mules (warranted), two hen ditto, five buck cages, 25/- the lot: Hawthorne, Camps Hill, Hertford. (1908)

TWO moulted brown Linnets and yellow hen Canary, good feeder, bred 12 Mules, 10/- pair: Lownc, Naturalist, Yarmouth. (1914)

TWO muling couples, Goldie and Linnet, Linnet bred this year, exchange for Norwich yellow hens: Bond, Lamphay, Pembrokeshire. (1911)

LARGE cock Goldfinch Mule, 1914, 6/6; unflighted yellow Norwich hen, 5/-; approval: Crook, 10, Godfrey-st., Colwick, Nottingham. (1914)

SMART 1914 Goldfinch Mule, splendid colour, clean, healthy, singing, 7/6; approval, cash, deposit: Power, 73, Oakfield rd., Walthamstow. (1915)

ONE or two grand yellow muling hens, extra large, equal to any in the fancy: G. E. Weston, Specialist, 42, Lewisham-rd., London, N.W. (1915)

CERTAIN mules, Canary reared Greenfinch cock and hen, 2/-; house-moulted mealy Redpoll, winner, 1/6: Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (1915)

THREE Goldfinch-Canary cocks, good singers, 3 hens, 1914; guinea the lot: Miss Thomas, Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1905)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1912)

SIX hen Mules, 6/-; 6 warranted cock Canaries, 4/- each; take 27/- the dozen; hen Canaries, bred Mules, 3/-, 3/6 each: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1907)

THREE mules, two Goldfinch Canary, one very light, one Redpoll Canary, all cocks, 20/- three; cash or deposit: Caretaker, Club, Marazion, Cornwall. (1913)

TWO nice dark Linnet-Canary mule cocks 7/- each, one clear yellow Yorkshire hen 2/6; cash; offers: John Williams, 2, Thomas-st., Tonypandy, Glam. (1911)

THREE large 1913 double-yellow Lancashire-Canary hens, all good mules, 7/6 each; or exchange cock Goldfinch mules: Nichols, 82, Wandsworth Bridge-rd., Fulham. (1910)

THRICE-MOULTED Goldfinch, 6/-; young Sib. hen, bred this season, variegated Mules with above, 5/-; together, 7/6; approval: Butler, Grocer, Station-rd., Hitchin. (1910)

NOTICE.—Handsome cinnamon coloured cock Greenfinch in the pink of condition; sale or part exchange Mules: Chris. Hutton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1907)

LARGE house-moulted cock Bullfinch, grand condition, sell 6/6; large cock Goldfinch Mule, full song, 10/6; approval: Robinson, Boot Maker, Winford, Cheshire. (1909)

LARGE pink-eyed Sib. bred hens, sure light Mule breeders, 7/6, 5/6; cocks, on full song, 7/6 each; ten days' approval: W. Powick, Eastfield Cottage, Dewsbury. (1839)

DARK yellow cock Goldfinch mule, winner 3 firsts, 2 specials, 25/-; variegated ditto, 7/6; Canaries, etc. cheap; write: Thomas, Butcher, Ramsgate. (1912)

GREENFINCH and Norwich hen, bred mules, 5/-; extra good Linnet, ditto, 7/6; Bramblefinch, a beauty and steady with show cage, 7/6: Clarkson, Kingston-st., Middlesbro. (1912)

SALE, 6 good cock Goldfinch Mules, price 8/6 and 9/6, will be good colour and healthy birds, this year's, reliable dealings: Storey, Villa Flora, Lower Sheringham, Norfolk. (1904)

EXHIBITION dark cock Greenie mule 10/-, also do. Siskin mule 6/6, few clinking yellow F.M. Greenies 2/- each, Norwich cocks and hens cheap: Handrie, 211, Montrose-st., Brixton. (1913)

EXHIBITORS, all our winning mules for sale, including our noted light Goldie, monster dark Goldie, dark Linnet, also others, all fed and show form; apply: Hughes Bros., 23, High-st., Carnarvon. (1913)

GOLDFINCH-CANARIES, splendid 1914 cocks, full song 7/6, giant peartree Goldie, house-moulted, winner 2nd, 8/6; large Sib.-bred Norwich hen 3/6 parents; approval: Jackson, 37, Canal-st., Congleton. (1912)

FOR sale large cock Greenfinch Mule, colour-fed, 7/6; cock Goldie Mule, 6/6; cock Goldie and hen Bullfinch, 5/-; exchange yellow Norwich or Crested hen hens, offers: Peck, Ashman's Hall Gardens, Beccles. (1913)

TWO 1914 exhibition Linnets Mules, ready for show, would exchange one for half-bushel best Spanish or bushel teazle, sell 10/6 each; exhibition Siskin wanted: Cyster, 9, Ravensworth-rd., College Park, N.W. (1905)

YELLOW cock Goldfinch Mule, marked wings, checks and rump, 20/-; exhibition Goldfinch 25/-; yellow Sib. hen, 10/-; parents of above Mule; approval, deposit: W. Skirrow, 33, Robert-st., Windhill, Shipley. (1910)

EXHIBITORS.—The largest stock of Bullfinches in Staffordshire; cocks, 1/3, 1/6; hens, 9d., 1/-; selected Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/6; one top specimen, 5/-; approval before payment: G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Longton, Staffordshire. (1916)

FOR sale, yellow Greenie-Bullie, 70/-; light buff Goldie-Canary, 60/-; dark yellow Linnet-Canary, 50/-; dark buff Greenie-Canary, 15/-; dark yellow Siskin-Canary, 25/-; Cinnamon-Redpoll, 30/-: E. J. Lamb, Alverstone, New Malden, Surrey. (1911)

GOLDFINCH Mule, large bird and splendid songster, Finch note, 8/6; 2 Linnet Mules, splendid songsters, Finch note, 8/6 each; 6 hen Canaries, 2/6 each to clear; 2 cock Canaries, 6/6 each: Pegrum, Market Hill, Sudbury, Suffolk. (1913)

COCK & Galonch Mules, Goldfinch song, 6/- each; five hen Goldfinch Mules, 5/- lot; breeding white-leg cock Goldfinch and two hen Canaries, proved breeders, 12/-; Mealy cock Redpoll, proved breeder, 5/-; approval, deposit: John Robinson, 84, Ivanhoe-st., Dudley. (1909)

TO Hybridisers: Bargain, grand Goldfinch cock, vhc, Eastleigh Show last week, see report; Bullfinch hen, both twice h.m., laid fertile eggs last season, 12/6 pair; also six good Norwich hens, 5/- each; approval; cash or deposit: Foyle, 62, Rockstone-lane, Southampton. (1914)

GRAND muling pair, exhibition yellow cock Siskin (winner) and large yellow marked hen, also their two young mules, dark yellows, very large, and grand colour (both winners), muling pair 15/-, mules 10/- each: G. Rahy, 5, Park-pl., Highgate Park, Birmingham. (1912)

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LINNET, Goldfinch, Siskin, and Greenfinch Mules, cocks, in song, pure wild notes, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; hen Mules, 1/6; grand lot Sib.-bred Canaries and muling birds, see special list free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1918)

WINNING Hybrids, Goldfinch-Bullfinch, Goldfinch-Greenfinch, Greenfinch-Linnets, Greenfinch-Redpoll, winners at L.C.B.A., Clapham, Wimbledon, Metropolitan, City and Sub.; team of 4, 50/-; also yellow unflighted Norwich, some winners, from 10/-: Nichols, 82, Wandsworth Bridge-rd., Fulham. (1895)

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DOVES.

SEVERAL pairs of Ring Doves for sale, 2/- pair: Miss Ethel Pimm, 5, Tavistock-rd., Harlesden, N.W. (1913)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED Foreign Birds: Pearson, Greenwich. (1900)

PAIR of acclimatised Rosellas, £2; deposit system: E. Bewley, 152, Granton-rd., Liverpool. (1914)

GREEN Budgerigars for sale, in perfect condition, 4/6 pair: H. 192, Worpole-rd., Wimbledon. (1901)

PAIR White Jays, big winners, with show cage, 12/6 to clear: Macrae, Jeweller, Stranraer. (1917)

THREE pairs of aviary-bred Cockatiels, in perfect plumage: Mrs. Buchanan Scott, Hamildcan, Ipswich. (1913)

WANTED for cash, all kinds of foreign birds, large or small; offers to: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1918)

GREY and Red Parrot and cage, very affectionate, good health, 30/-: Pargeter, 47, East-st., Grimsbury, Banbury. (1911)

COCKATIEL hen, adult, very tame and healthy, beautiful check markings, 8/-: McArthur, 53a, India-st., Edinburgh. (1906)

TWO pairs Green Budgerigars, splendid condition, four cocoanut husks, exchange Border hens: Irving, 50, Lawson-st., Carlisle. (1911)

TWENTY pairs Budgerigars from outdoor aviary, big birds, yellows 8/-, greens 5/6 pair: Harding, 9, Gresham-st., Leicester. (1903)

BUDGERIGARS, Green, outdoor aviary bred; adult breeding pairs, 5/-: Tom Overton, New Brighton, Cottesley, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1914)

LARGE cock Green Cardinal, perfect feather, great winner, 30/-; approval: Wilson, 1, Highfield, Worthington, Cumberland. (1906)

RED-CAPPED Hanging Parakeet, on hard seed, 2nd price Horticultural Hall, £3 15/-, with show cage: Moore, 11, Lupus-st., Pimlico, London. (1910)

FOUR young Cockatiels, 5/- each, 18/6 lot; outdoor bred; exchange Zebra Finches or other Foreigners: Millar, 49, Wellington-st., Portobello. (1893)

ZEBRA Finches, cocks 2/6, hens 4/-, pairs 6/-, over four pairs taken 5/6; all outdoor aviary bred: Miss Webb, Millington-rd., Cambridge. (1913)

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VARIOUS BIRDS.

TWO Welsh cock Goldfinches, two Canary hens, clean and healthy, sell 10/6: Lewis Jones, 72, Bethesda-st., Amlwch. (1918)

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SIX large selected full-coloured cock Goldfinches, for muling, 2/6 each; three cock Goldfinch Mules, full song, 6/- each; pair 1914 Norwich, 6/-, not fed: Rose, Tyndale Villa, Carterton, Clonfield. (1906)

HANDSOME pair Golden-breasted Waxbills, acclimatised, 7/6; green cinnamon cock, buff cinnamon hen, 5th Horticultural Hall, 15/-; pair Green Crests, 12/6; Pearce, 64, Coleman-rd., Camberwell, London. (1906)

COCK Goldfinch Mules, 6/6; cock Yorkshires, 5/6 each; Roller, Norwich, 5/- each; all in song; three Roller, two Goldfinch Mule hens, 5/-, 6/6; all 1914 outdoor aviary bred: W. Vowles, 63, South Esk-rd., Forest Gate, E. (1910)

NORWICH cocks, buffs and yellows, 7/6, 8/6; yellow Border Fancy, cocks, 6/6, 7/6; hens, 3/6; cold-room kept; Goldfinches, 2/6; Linnets, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Yellowhammers, Larks, 1/-; selected, 1/6; well on seed: I. Trehwitt, 103, Belvoir-st., Hull. (1906)

FORTY exceptionally large Norwich Canaries, all rung, cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6 each and upwards; hens, 4/-, 5/- and 6/- each; Bullfinches, grand specimens, 2/6 pair; pair Green Budgerigars, breeders, 5/-; cock Zebra Finch, 2/3; cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/- each; Philip Vincent, 11, Prospect-place, Lylesbury. (1910)

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WANTED anything alive: Pearson, Greenwich. GREEN Budgerigar hen, lowest price: Lowe, Alfreton. See British Hardbills. (1913)

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WANTED all kinds of Fancy, purchase, or exchange other varieties: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1919)

WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and British birds, best prices paid: Barnes, Aviaries, Merthyr Tydfil. (1867)

WANTED, to purchase any quantity surplus stocks of Canaries, cheap for cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (1909)

WANTED, singing Canaries and Mules: Chas. Palmer and Sons, Bird Dept., 68, Sclater-st., Shore-ditch. (1912)

WANTED cycle tyre and tube, exchange one single and double-shot guns, slight repair: Cook, Pembroke. (1912)

WANTED, Goldfinch Mules, either sex; best price given: Sandiford's, 89, Sclater-st., Shore-ditch, London. (1910)

WANTED, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Mules, Linnets, Canaries, weekly: T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (1909)

WANTED, Bullfinches, Goldfinches and Siskins; best price given: Sandiford's, 89, Sclater-st., Shore-ditch, London. (1910)

WANTED, for cash, Canaries or Mules, either sex; state lowest price: Robinson, 33, Besson-st., New Cross, London. (1916)

WANTED, good buff green or variegated cock, must have good head: Mrs. Jas. Banks, 51, Balhousie-st., Perth, Scotland. (1916)

WANTED all kinds Canaries and other birds for export: Emporium, 176b, High-st., Camden Tube Station, London. (1910)

WANTED, Canaries, exchange case and six Border Fancy show cages; sell 20/-: Stables, 12, South Market-st., Helton. (1906)

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WANTED good Airedale pup in exchange pair gent's braces, new, sell 15/-: Butler, 199, Windmill-rd., Foleshill, Coventry. (1906)

WANTED, best each offer, or exchange Norwich, for "Our Canaries," see: P. Henderson, 20, Morringsquare, Townhead, Glasgow. (1902)

WANTED, Yorkshires and German Roller Canaries, all kinds British birds; prompt cash; also Mules: Manager, Bird Shops, Ossett. (1918)

WANTED, Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, large birds, also British and foreign birds: Mrs. Martin, 91, Cowcaddens-st., Glasgow. (1914)

WANTED, large yellow Norwich cock, exchange gent's solid silver watch or camera, good condition: Dawson, Blythgate, Beccles. (1911)

WANTED light Mule hens or cocks, Toy Pouter, or offers: exchange Yorkshire Canaries: Bayliss, Middle-st., Worcester. (1908)

WANTED, selected Goldfinches, exchange Scotch thistle, dandelion seed or Norwich Canaries: Jos. Cowan, 25, New Stock-st., Paisley. (1910)

COCK Goldfinch Bullfinch Hybrid, 1914, £3; or part exchange good clear Norwich yellows: Rawlings, 284, Oundle-rd., Peterborough. (1908)

WANTED, dealer who can take large or small quantities of Linnets; all kinds of British: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1907)

WANTED, fresh-caught British, in exchange for good singing Canaries and Mules: Cooper's Emporium, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1916)

WANTED, cock Linnets, Larks, Goldfinches, singing Mules, best prices paid: Manager, Old Established Bird and Poultry Stores, Wakefield. (1914)

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WANTED, offers in Canaries or cash, for set lady's furs, toque necklet and muff, cost 63/-; particulars: H. Epps, 64, Gordon-rd., Herne Bay. (1906)

WANTED Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, from catchers, good price given for good big birds; deposit cash: Edwin North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1917)

WANTED, a weekly supply of cock Goldfinches, Linnets, Larks and all kinds of Canaries and Mules and Parrots: Taylor, Bird Stores, Bute-st., Treherbert. (1881)

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WANTED two yellow Yorkshire hens, unfledged, must be good; exchange yellow Yorkshire cock, bred winners, sell 15/-; approval: 36, Clifton-rd., Southport. (1908)

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WANTED, Canaries, Amazon Parrot, Mules, gramophone and records, cash or exchange aviaries or cages, any description: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1916)

FIVE Yorkshires, 3 cocks, 2 hens, good birds, sell 25/-; or exchange pedigree toy puppy, no Poms, yours first; particulars: Seedhouse, Deighton-rd., Deighton, Huddersfield. (1916)

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WANTED, two good Norwich Plainhead hens, yellow unfledged; exchange prize Bullfinch and hand-reared Yellow Bunting, or would buy for cash; approval: Harvey, 18, Mornington-rd., Wainstead. (1911)

WANTED for prompt cash; Canaries, Mules, either sex; state lowest price, if colour fed, good price for hen Goldfinch Mules: Trask, Bird Specialist, Chesham House, Broadway, Deptford, London. (1906)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets; reasonable for cash: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1914)

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COCK Goldfinch and hen Canary, sell 7/6; or exchange anything useful: R. Gilliland, How-Mill, nr. Carlisle. (1910)

TWO cock Linnets and two hen Canaries, 6/6 lot, or exchange three cock Goldfinches: Martin, Oldtown-st., Cockstown. (1916)

DARK yellow Golden Mule, winner 2 firsts, good company, cash or winding Goldfinch: Davies, 48, Frederick-st., Cardiff. (1904)

NIGHT Lark net for sale or exchange eight cock Goldfinches; yours first: E. Wilding, 4, Thornton-st., Litherland, Liverpool. (1914)

WANTED large cock Goldie, also Siskin, very steady, not old; exchange oil paintings: Studio, 31, Brondebury-rd., N.W. (1915)

EXCHANGE two good cock Goldfinches for young singing cock Canary, wild rabbits, or bird c.d. Cock ram, Tatworth, Chard. (1914)

EXCHANGE silver-mounted calabash pipe for large English cock Bullfinch; sell, 12/6, approval: Taylor, 155, Old Fallow, Camock. (1906)

GUARANTEED cock Goldfinches, in song, 3/-, selected muling, showing, 4/- each: Close, 32, Duff Fry-st., Mountain Ash, Glam. (1907)

FAIR long-necked Doves, also lib. of dandelion seed; exchange fresh caught British; anything: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Workson. (1911)

EXCHANGE cock Greenfinch, hen Redpoll, bred hybrids, for hen Canaries, or cages, anything: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (1917)

HOUSE-MOULDED hen Hawlinch, field-moulted Goldfinch, exchange house-moulted Linnet; offers: D. Ray, Derwydd, Barry Port, Carm. (1912)

EXCHANGE or sell four cock Bullies, fit for show. What offers; yours first; on approval both ways: H. Hosler, 21, Box-mill, Halstead, Essex. (1909)

FOUR good cock Goldfinches, 10/-; yellow Norwich cock, 12/6; exchange Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid; approval: Pearce, Crinnis, Par, Cornwall. (1914)

EXCHANGE, pretty dark yellow splashed Goldie Mule, good songster, for good Crest or Crest bred Norwich hen: Hanley, Longford, Ireland. (1918)

GOLDFINCH, bred Mules, 3 Linnets, 1 Redpoll, all cocks and Canary reared, 11/-; exchange poultry: Payne, Whyteleaf. (See Exchange Canaries.) (1905)

JOHN DAY will exchange high-class British or Scandinavian Bullfinches for Canaries, Mules, etc.; see British: Day, The Aviaries, Porter-st., Hull. (1915)

FIVE Linnets, one Twite, three Yellowhammers, Greenfinch, two Chaffinches, 6/- cocks; exchange: J. W. Coulthard, Station Hill, Wigton, Cumberland. (1910)

1914 LINNET Mule, bred and trained by me to pure Linnet song, 4th at Sale last week, £1, or offers: W. Fairhurst, 17, Linwood-grove, Longsight, Manchester. (1916)

WHAT offers two two-year-old call bird Goldfinches, full song; also two Linnet call birds, full song; sale or exchange: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1907)

FROM aviary four cock Chaffinches, two a.m. hen Chaffinches, cock Goldfinch, cock Yellowhammer; wanted, hen Bullfinche, or offers: Rhodes, 273, Streetford-rd., Manchester. (1911)

EXCHANGE six cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch Mules or four hen Canaries, or any other kind of British exchanged for Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (1917)

NOTICE, two giant English cock Goldies, fit to win prizes in any company, and sure mulers, only 5/6 each; or exchange for colour-fed Norwich or Yorkshire Canaries, or Goldfinch Mules: Power and Russell, 10, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1887)

Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE two buff Norwich hens for two buff Yorkshire hens; yours first: W. Spears, 5, Garon-st., Nantymoch. (1911)

EXCHANGE, 5 hen Canaries, good feeders, or Lancashire copy or Crested hen: Harvey, Gordon Villas, Woodbridge. (1901)

EXCHANGE six Roller hens for two cocks; offers; yours first: F. Burden, 58, Hall-st., Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. (1914)

SELL 5 hen Canaries 2/- each, or exchange Roller cock, on song: Lamport, under-Cliff, Tilford, Farnham, Surrey. (1912)

WILL exchange 2 Norwich cocks, value 15/-, for good Crest hen; yours first: P. Proudfoot, Church-rd., Lowestoft. (1912)

SELL, five good feeding hens, healthy, cold-room, 2/6 each, or exchange birds; offers: Rennie, 8, High-st., Prestonpans. (1912)

NORWICH cocks, 5/6, 6/- each; hens, 2/6 or 7/6 pair; exchange Belgian hares: A. C. Hatch, 132, Ber-st., Norwich. (1906)

THREE pairs Yorkshires (unfledged), 8/6 pair; exchange Norwich or Lizard show cages: Waddicor, 6, Holly-st., Rochdale. (1914)

GOOD colour-fed, large, typical Norwich, 12/6 pair; or exchange good Yorkshires: Feasey, 2, St. Luke's Cottage, Leamington. (1916)

SELL, 26 Canaries, £1 16/-, or exchange anything useful; yours first; a bargain: R. Lawton, Fleming-st., Barnsley. (1906)

SCOTCH Fancies cheap; or exchange for Norwich cocks, Crests, or Yorkshires; surplus stock: McNair, 151, George-st., Paisley. (1916)

BANJO, five string, good instrument, £1 5/-; exchange singing cocks, anything useful: Marsden, 26, Shadsworth, Blackburn. (1912)

EXCHANGE pair grand Yorkshires for two Norwich or Roller songsters; approval; yours first: Ford, 19, Perry-st., Hull. (1913)

YORKSHIRES, seven cocks, three hens, for sale, or exchange Rollers: J. Ibbitson, 13, Willoughby-rog, Domestie-st., Leeds. (1907)

THREE good cocks, Rollers, and three hens; exchange Yorkshires or Norwich: John, No. 24, Doley-tell-st., Caerphilly, Glam. (1915)

BORDERS, from Palace winner cock, two hens; exchange Siskins, Goldfinch, or yellow Norwich: W. Wilson, 46, Content-st., Ayr. (1906)

EXCHANGE pen Buff Orpingtons, cockerel, three hens, value £3, for Crests; on approval each way: Lockhart, Wysesly, Ecclefechan. (1907)

TWO good pairs Yorkshires, one pair Norwich, exchange gent's bike, anything useful: Fenton, Barton-st., Clown, Nr. Chesterfield. (1912)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Norwich; cocks from 3/6; hens from 3/-; exchanges entertained: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1900)

WANTED, yellow Lancashire Plainhead cock, unfledged, give good exchange in prize-bred York

NORWICH for disposal; clears, greens, cinnamon, variegated; cocks 6/-, hens 2/-; exchange poultry: Payne, 108, Godstone-rd., Whyteleafe, Surrey. (See Exchange British.) (1905)

SPLENDID Border Fancies, clear yellow and yellow marked; cocks, 6/6 each; two yellow hens, 2/6 each; 12 eggs front, new, 3/6; also fittings: Mills, 21, Kingsway, Cleethorpes. (1907)

KIPPENGALES, beating apparatus, with lamp complete, suitable small greenhouse or bird room, exchange pair Crests or Norwich, 1914 birds: Keary Church Institute, Twickenham. (1912)

FOUR Crest-bred cocks, one Crest-bred hen, all 1914 bred, 7/- each; or exchange for Crested or Crest-bred hen, 1914 bred; on approval: William Barrie, West Barns, Dunbar, Scotland. (1907)

WANTED all varieties Canaries, also British and Foreign birds and Mules; will give good exchange in Norwich, Yorkshire or Border show cages: MeKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas.

MR. J. SCOTT, who is at the front, has asked me to dispose of his young birds for him; cocks from 10/-, hens 5/- each; bred from same strain as last year's winners: Apply, Jos. Kilsraw, 5, Orm-st., Bolton. (1903)

To sell or exchange, 10 Norwich hens, 6 cocks on full song, and 2 or 3 other common hens, good foster-mothers, will exchange for good singing Rollers, Schoolmasters: S. J. Croesley, 42, Aldcliffe-rd., Lancaster. (1912)

PERFECTLY trained Roller Schoolmaster (1913), 15/6; exchange pair Yorkshires; 2 cocks, 1 hen Paradise Whydah, acclimatised, 5/- lot; exchange Canary or Mule, songster; yours first; approval: Clarke, 82, High-st., Soudham. (1917)

TYPICAL colour-fed winning buff cock, 15/-; also yellow cock, 12/-; also exhibition buff and yellow hen, 10/6 each; few extra large specimens, pairs 12/-, 15/-, and 20/-; exchange entertained: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1919)

DUNFERMLINE winners for sale: Borders, buff hen, 2nd, 7/6; buff cock, 4th, 7/6; variegated buff cock, 1st, 12/6; 4th, 7/6; others cheap; will exchange good pair Borders for h.m. Siberian Goldfinch breeder: Kennway, St. Leonards-place, Dunfermline. (1911)

Mainly Foreign.

EXCHANGE 15 Yellow and two Green Budgerigars, aviary-bred, perfect birds, for Canaries (must be outdoor or cold-room bred): Jackson, 86, Station-rd., Wood Green, London, N. (1915)

Miscellaneous.

WILL exchange prize-bred self tumblers for Crested Canaries: Adames, Langstone, Havant.(1905)

NANNY goat, in kid, 15/-, billy 10/-, or 20/- pair; exchange poultry: Griffiths, The Aviaries, Long Sutton, Lincs. (1909)

WHAT offers in exchange for Spaniel dog pup, 3 months old: Watts, 51, Wellington-st., Merthyr Tydfil. (1900)

EXCHANGE 16ft. pike rod, also roach rod for live stock: Gaunt, 1, Eric-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (1891)

FIVE Crest and 3 Norwich new show cages, for anything useful: Mrs. Gardner, 47, Prospect-st., Lancaster. (1903)

BULL Irish Terrier, 50/-; exchange poultry, or offers: Skirrow, West Lea-ave., Harlow Hill, Harrogate. (1903)

EXCHANGE large hanging lamp for Linnet muler or Green Borders, or sell 20/-: Ayers, 28, York-st., Jarrow. (1916)

A GOOD pair of Yorkshire Canaries, 12/6; or exchange fowls: Osbourn, Jeweller, Chesterton, Cambridge. (1913)

GRAND f.c.m. Welsh Goldie, exchange British show cages or cycle tyre: A. Davies, 13, Wellington-place, Llanwrst. (1911)

WHAT offers in small foreign birds for zophonone plate records?: William Booth, Briggate, Garforth, near Leeds. (1918)

12 10in. DOUBLE sided 2/6 records, nearly new, exchange birds, cages, etc.: Bell, 20, Egerton-rd., Melton Mowbray. (1914)

CAVIES, pure Red selfs; exchange for British seed-eaters and hen Canaries: Skipsey, Newton Morrell, Darlington. (1916)

EXCHANGE first vol. 2.12 "War Budget" for large h.m. square blaze cock Goldfinch: Savill, 25, Lea-rd., Waltham Cross. (1911)

AVIARY bred Yorkshire cocks from 5/-, exchange for British suitable for aviary: H. Summers, 77, Sneyton Hill, Nottingham. (1910)

DRYING cage and five double breeding cages, all wire, in good order; exchange Border cocks: Devoy, George-st., Stranraer. (1916)

CHAMPION field-moulted cock Goldfinch, can win in good company, with show cage, 12/6: Devoy, George-st., Stranraer. (1916)

SALE or exchange 12 single sided zophonone records for 10/6; or exchange pair Canaries: Goodman, Varnish Works, Wexley. (1911)

EXCHANGE pair field glasses and case for good Roller cock, also safety razor for ditto: T. Towers, 15, Orchard-st., Hineley. (1913)

EXCHANGE suit length, costume length, for guinea pigs or common pigeons: Gaunt, 1, Eric-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (1889)

EXCHANGE Nos. 1 to 84 "Smallholders" for 3 cock Goldies, or 3 hens, Norwich, or sell, 7/6: W. Mean, 13, Lacey-st., Bow, E. (1903)

BEAUTIFUL White Bantam cockerel and pullet, 1914 bred, exchange for Canaries, or sell 7/6: Motley, Grocer, Pateley Bridge. (1910)

MANDOLINE, case, tutor, 12/6; harmonium, 15/-; 59 CAGE BIRDS, 3 Annuals; exchange offers: 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (1915)

YOUNG'S clap nets, jointed poles, 18ft. by 4ft.; exchange h.m. yellow cock Siskin; offers: W. Wilson, 46, Content-st., Ayr. (1906)

EXCHANGE three 1914 hen Goldfinch Mules, two hen Canaries, for cock Goldfinch, muler: Shead, 2, George-st., Barry, Glam. (1902)

EXCHANGE three Linnet Mules and parents, or sell 10/6; Norwich cocks, 5/6 each: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts. (1915)

EXCHANGE, high-class Norwich Greens for good air-gun, or breech-loader; sell 12/6 pair: 90, Woodford-lane, Over, Cheshire. (1909)

COCK Canary, singing, 7/-; exchange boots; harp, new, 41; bargain: Mrs. L. Mayes, 73, Ebenezer-st., Langley Mills, Derbyshire. (1909)

NEW lively top coat, drab, full size, for yellow unflighted Norwich cock Canary, or sell 15/-: Vines, Crookers, Mortimer, Berks. (1911)

ONE pair Cockatiels, aviary moulted, very tame, 15/-; will exchange for Canaries, toy dogs, puppies: Syd. Mothersole, 20, Humberstone-rd., Leicester. (1914)

EXCHANGE single barrel 12 bore converted rifle for exhibition cock Hawfinch or other show British: Wilkins, 14, St. Pauls-st., Rotherham, Sun Wells, Kent. (1913)

FISHING tackle, general rod, winches, etc., value 20/-; exchange for Canaries: Dodson, 7, North Avenue, Letchworth, Herts. (1903)

EXCHANGE double and single breeding cages, utensils, for good Norwich or sell cheap: Woods, 26, Silton-st., Moston, Manchester. (1910)

WANTED, gramophone and records; exchange six pairs Canaries, two breeding cages: Wise, Banks Court, Keswick, Cumberland. (1910)

EXCHANGE gramophone and records, cost £4, for three Glucke Roller cocks, or sell for £3; yours first: 121, Cannon-rd., Chadsmore. (1915)

NEW wicker travelling basket, bold four Norwich show cages, 4/6; two show cages, 1/6: Buxton, Lane Grove-avenue, Matlock. (1906)

HANDSOME Great Dane bitch, demon guard, 10 months, 25/-; exchange Canaries: Buckler, Fox Cottage, Barnacle, nr. Coventry. (1911)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, sell, or exchange for 2in. mesh wire netting, also 4in.: Rennicks, Bassentwaite Lake, Cumberland. (1914)

EXCHANGE Fox Terrier puppy, female, five months, good head, for cock Canary: Dowding, 23, Drayton-mews, Kensington. (1907)

EXCHANGE, walking-stick gun, good condition, for pair of good Crests, or sell for £1: J. Collins, Brea, near Camborn, Cornwall. (1908)

GOOD Yorkshire cock, full song, 10/6; double breeder, 5/-, like new; exchange Goldfinches: Pratt, Market-st., Long Sutton, Lincs. (1910)

EXCHANGE pike rod with line, reel, and snap tackle, for Yorkshire cock: F. Jenkins, 16, Argyle-rd., Blakenhall, Wolverhampton. (1907)

FOUR aviary cages, good condition, sell £1; exchange Budgerigars, Bullfinches, or Siskins: Halford, 10, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak. (1905)

EXCHANGE glazier's diamond, value guinea, for cock Roller, to value; approval both ways: Driscoll, 588, Commercial-rd., Portsmouth. (1903)

WANTED, large Norwich Canaries, exchange silver English lever, or treadle sewing machine: Woodce, 26, Silton-st., Moston, Manchester. (1910)

EXCHANGE four black spangle Tumblers and two reds for two cocke, Goldfinches: W. Griffiths, 17, Oldfield-rd., Ellesmere Port, Cheshire. (1913)

EXCHANGE King air rifle for cock Canary or Goldfinch, full song: E. Morris, Brickmaker's Arms, Woodside, near Dudley, Worcestershire. (1904)

"HOBBIES" fretwork machine, nearly new, cost 24/6, sell 12/6; exchange Canaries (Border Fancy): Nicholl, Gloucester-rd., Teignmouth. (1910)

EXCHANGE brand new gent's or lady's boots, also boy's clothing, for male dog and puppies: Manager Furniture Stores, Totton. (1882)

YORKSHIRE cocks, in full song, 5/- upwards; exchange poultry, anything useful; approval: 400, Whitehall-rd., St. George's, Bristol. (1909)

EXCHANGE, Burridge's English blow lamp, new condition, birds, Amberol records; anything: Law, 24, Gibraltar-rod, Gee Cross, Hyde. (1908)

WANTED, Scotch Fancies, exchange gent's e/cle or sell £4; approval both ways: birds first: William Smith, 13, Findlay-st., Kilsyth. (1906)

SPLENDID enamel heating stove, three burners (oil), enamel kettle to fit; exchange poultry; cash, 10/-: Caterer, 127, Blackstock-rd., N.

2 WORDS 1d. THROUGHOUT

Is the rate charged for all advertisements not relating to birdkeeping. The following heading are available: Aquarium; Business; Cats; Cavies; Clothing; Cycles; Dress; Ferrets; Garden; Household; Kennel; Mice; Musical Instruments; Natural History; Photography; Pigeons; Pigs; Poultry; Rabbits; Sport; Stamps; and Various.

EXCHANGE wire dog for gramophone and records, sell 25/-; two dog pups, four months, £1 each, suit lady: Bell Inn, Taddington, Dunstable. (1910)

GOLDFINCH cock Mule, 7/6; exchange hens or cock Canary, for aviary; Black Cocker puppy, 10/-; approval: Allen, Oaklands, Swallowfield. (1915)

PAIR prize bred self-red Cavies, 15/-; or will exchange for good cock Canary, Yorkshire preferred: Bowker, 58, Emily-st., Burnley. (1905)

LABRADOR, trained to gun, good retriever, exchange Canaries, Goldies, or Parrot, anything value 30/-: Rutherford, Kilm-hill, Tweedmouth. (1917)

WANTED, talking Parrot; exchange gent's silver watch, two keyless watches, safety razor; give lot: Crompton, 6, Spruce-st., Rochdale. (1907)

WANTED, Yorkshire hens; exchange good Greenfinch Mule; sell 7/6; or photograph records: England, Hallett's Gds., Huish, Yeovil. (1907)

WILL give large old book of martyrs, fishing tackle, peach, apricot, apple, pear trees for Canaries: Mona, Cowley-rd., Uxbridge. (1908)

CHESTNUT roasting machine, 7/6; gas heating stove, 5/6; exchange for fishing tackle, hen Canaries: Middleton, 9, Northgate, Canterbury. (1909)

EXCHANGE fishing stockings, scrap brass, india-rubber, two Border show cages, case for Canaries, British: Paton, Portland Row, Hurlford. (1911)

WANTED offers in Canaries, Yorkshires for Bradbury's bootmaker's patching machine, or accept anything useful: Kimble, Horeham-rd., Sussex. (1915)

EXCHANGE West Highland bitch, 12 months, for three yellow Border Fancy Canaries, two cocks and one hen: D. Irving, Hawick-ter., Carlisle. (1910)

BUFF cock, yellow hen, Iron's strain, sell 15/-; exchange crossbred pullets or cockerels; approval: Taylor, Dunsdale, Guisborough, Yorkshire. (1918)

EXCHANGE box of 25 cigars (Key West or Bulldog brands) for singing Canary; yours first: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1917)

EXCHANGE new No. 1 Brownie camera, complete with developing tank and frames, for h.m. Goldies, or sell 9/-: G. Wheeler, 319, Bethnal Green-rd. (774)

EXCHANGE Yorkshires, Norwich, Budgerigars for fresh-caught Linnets, Goldfinches, Bullfinches; scales, seed offers: Higgs, 65, Waterloo-st., Tipton. (1914)

TOY Terriers, puppy 3 months, very small, dogs 15/-, bitch 10/-; or exchange for pullets: T. S. Robson, Victoria Cottages, Howden-le-Wear. (1906)

GREENFINCH, Goldfinch, cocks, warranted mulers, Canary hens, two hen Goldfinch Mules, sale or exchange Rollers: Collins, Stokenchurch, Bucks. (1913)

WILL exchange three large, healthy Norwich hens for two cock Goldfinch or Linnet mules; mutual approval: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1894)

MAILCART, art cane, cost £3, sell £1; accordion, 19 keys, four bases, cost 25/-, sell 10/-; exchange Canaries, gramophone, anything: Palfrey, Dronfield. (1915)

SALE or exchange pair of clappnets, cost 15/-, only used once, for a large yellow cock Siskin or Goldfinch, or sell, 14/-: Morgan, Lester-st., Stretford.

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STRAY PARS

From the Horticultural Hall Show.

A Case for Sympathy.

A few cases of exhibits were not delivered by certain of the railway companies until somewhat late on the Thursday morning, but the classes the birds were in were held back, and we believe that except in one or two instances all got judged. The chief sufferer was Mr. F. J. Evans, of Hindhead, whose Dartford Warblers did not turn up until late in the day, and one of them was found to be dead. Everyone sympathised with Mr. Evans. One of the survivors, by the way, was claimed at catalogue price, £3.

A Batch of Blue Budgerigars.

An acquaintance we made at the show told us of a keeper of Budgerigars residing in Wolverhampton who from one pair of the rare Blue variety had this season bred 17 young, all true to the blue colour. What luck!

Previous Performances.

Most interesting happenings at these big shows are the reversals of previous performances of exhibits. Young fanciers in particular forget that birds (like themselves) are not always "fit." One buttonholed us at least once each day to explain why such a bird was put in front of another, seeing that the other had beaten it at —, etc., etc. Surely it is fortunate the same birds do not always win; it at least gives everybody a sporting chance.

Had a Grand Time.

Perhaps the bird which enjoyed itself most of all at the show was the hen Bramble Finch who managed to squeeze through the waterhole of her cage. She had a grand time flying round; plenty to eat and drink, and the fun of dodging her would-be catchers. She did not give half a chance to some of them. But the evergreen smiling Bob Pretty fairly took her in. Perhaps she thought that no danger could possibly lurk in the owner of that smile!

Early Closing.

The language used by the Parrots at closing time on the Saturday was something shocking; it was even worse than that of the visitors who had dropped in expecting to be able to stay until ten. The Parrots could not be pacified, but the humans wandered to the far end of the hall and sought the usual consolation of those who find time hanging on their hands. Well, seven o'clock does seem early, doesn't it?

A Novel Suggestion.

We met several fanciers hunting for Norwich stock birds at reasonable prices, but such as they required were not to be found. The good ones had been quickly snapped up. One disappointed amateur we met suggested that only amateur and novice fanciers should be allowed to purchase out of the stock classes on the first day of the show. His argument was, that they cannot trust their judgment and make up their minds so quickly as the older fanciers.

Two of the Best.

We heard that the yellow hen which won the special for best Border in the show was quickly claimed by a novice lover of the "wee gems." Everybody was delighted at Messrs. Burton Bros.' success, for they are both keen fanciers. One is now at the front in the trenches with the Queen's Westminsters. The other is busy with both lots of stock to attend to, and yet he can find time to act as bon. sec. for no less than three societies!

What's in a Name?

A said-to-be "Pallas' Great Grey Shrike" was exhibited. Presumably the judge, Mr. Silver, accepted it as an ordinary Great Grey, or it must have been marked "wrong class" for if as labelled its proper place would have been the class for Continental species. But what is a "Pallas' Great Grey Shrike"? We seem to remember reading that as long ago as 1886 Professor Collett (in the "Ibis") said that the ordinary Great Grey Shrike and Pallas' G.G.S. were to be found in one and the same nest—i.e., that birds exhibiting the slight variation in plumage marking said to be peculiar to the Pallas' were found in the same brood as birds marked in the manner of the Great Grey. In any case, if a distinction be accepted, the Pallas' G.G.S. cannot claim to be "very rare"; it is as common in Great Britain during many winters as is the Great Grey.

A Visitor from Belgium.

We had a most interesting chat with a visitor—a refugee—from Belgium, Mr. O. Maschelein, of Antwerp. He told a harrowing story of his flight from that ill-fated city on one of the last boats—a small coal boat with a crew of 10 men, then carrying nearly 300 people, mostly women and children. They had a stormy journey of close on three days, and were without provisions—the horror of it will be apparent. Mr. Maschelein is a breeder of the Belgian Canary. Only a very small band of breeders of this bird now remains, he told us. The Roller Canary has ousted it from popularity, while it is expensive, delicate, and not easy to breed—he thought of trying Border Fancies as feeders when next he had the opportunity. May it come soon. This Belgian fancier was highly pleased with his visit to the show, which he described as very wonderful.

How Pedigree May Tell.

The sensation of the Yorkshire section was the novice birds of Miss G. Bowyer, of Newmarket, who showed five, all unflighted, and won 4 first and 1 fifth prizes! And this, too, was her first attempt at exhibiting. The quality of her birds so impressed the champion exhibitors that £3 was offered for one of them, and £15 for two; both offers were declined. We heard from Mr. Crisp that the lady was the daughter of a friend, and that he presented her with the parents, a smallish, tight-feathered yellow hen and a big, rather ragged-feathered cock bird, the latter, however, being very closely related to his noted green-marked yellow cock, claimed at a very long figure at the last Palace Show, and now carrying all before it for Mr. L. Dykes. The astounding—and unexpected—result has been these four young birds, every one a first-class exhibition specimen! Who said face value was better than a pedigree? They were moulted and colour-fed outdoors in a shepherd's hut used as a lawn tennis pavilion!

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

- England.**
- Dec. 11-12.—Warrington C.B.S.—(G. M. Nelson, 406, Knutsford Rd.)
 - Dec. 19.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(Canaries only). See Jan. 9, 1915.
 - Jan. 8-9.—Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.—(J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston St., Beswick, Manchester.)
 - Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Mules, Brit. and For. Birds.
 - Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)
- Scotland.**
- Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
 - Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
 - Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 10, Young St., Wishaw.)
- Wales.**
- Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 43, Rossor St., Maccycoed, Pontypridd.)
 - Jan. 12.—Llanely C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.
- Ireland.**
- Dec. 9-10.—Dublin S. County C.B.A.—(D. Smyth, 14, Tivoli Terr. N., Kingstown.) G.W., J.W.

The Sensational Hybrid.

The sensational hybrid of Mr. Parlett's, the very light plumaged said-to-be Canary-Bullfinch, attracted the usual attention and led to considerable "argy-bargy." Some good (or ought-to-be-good) judges hold that it shows far more characteristics of the Greenfinch-Bullfinch cross; and we must candidly admit that we are inclined to agree with them. One or two even suggested that it was a rare-feathered Bullfinch! Anyway, it is a bonny bird, and was in lovely condition.

Real Enthusiasm.

Several exhibitors made very big entries, but we think the palm goes to Mr. Allen Silver. To see him tying up his 56 cages of all sorts and sizes of birds, from Waxbills to Parrots, preparatory to popping them into the furniture van en route for home, was enough to make even the clerk of the weather's tears change into smiles. Mrs. Thyne, Mr. Frostick, Mr. Francis, Mr. Frost, Mr. Marley, and Mr. Maxwell also had very big loads to remove.

A Contrast.

It is pleasing to note how splendidly exhibitors stage their birds nowadays—specimens in the pink of condition put into show cages as spotless as enamel and "elbow grease" can make them. And the decorative effects obtained in many instances are extremely pretty and tasteful—notably in cages housing Wrens, Bearded Tits, and many other British, also Foreign, birds. In the class for Albino birds, however, was to be seen a great rarity in a dilapidated cage with cracked wood-work and broken wires, tied up in places with string and binding wire, dirty to a degree, and containing but one perch, and this too small for the comfort of its inmate—a deplorable example of how not to show a bird. What a grateful contrast were the cages of the Humming Birds, made lovely with orchids and sprays of foliage.

Oh! Those Printers.

In several cases exhibitors had entered a couple or more birds, and their owners' opinion of them, judging by the catalogue prices, did not always agree with that of the judge. We noticed several little groups deliberately selecting the birds and re-judging them. In a certain case the critics were certain the judge was right, and one sprinted to the office to buy the cheap-priced winner, only to find that the figures in the catalogue were a printer's error!

Birds of a Feather.

A tall man and a stout man were busy among the Yorkies. Bird after bird was selected, brought down to the second tier and discussed. After a time one appeared to suit the tall fancier nicely. He eagerly asked his friend's opinion. "Undoubtedly a nice one," the latter replied, "but he's very much like me—he's got too much waist!"

CHORLEY C.B.S.

Show, White Lion Inn, Nov. 7. Judge, Mr. H. Stableford. There was a big improvement in the birds. Some grand specimens were put down both in Norwich and Yorks., also in the British and foreign. Entries numbered over 40.

NOR. CK. BUFF: 1, 2, Irving; 3, vhc, Welch; hc, Downes; c, Worthington. YELL: 1, Irving; 2, Foster; 3, Downes; vhc, Welch. YELL. HEN: 1, Downes; 2, Welch; 3, Worthington. BUFF: 1, Turner; 2, Welch. GOLDF: 1, Downes. LINNET: 1, Langton. MULES: 1, Worthington; 2, 3, Langton. YORKS. BUFF HEN: 1, Yell; 2, Langton; 3, R. Hatch; vhc, T. Hatch. YELL: 1, 2, R. Hatch; 3, T. Hatch. YELL HEN: 1, Turner. BRIT: 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, hc, Langton; vhc, Turner. FOR: 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, Worthington. BUFF YORKS. CK: 1, R. Hatch.—J. H. Welch, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Show Oct. 31, Plummet Line Hotel, Halifax; 63 birds were staged, which was considered very satisfactory. Mr. A. Lawford, Huddersfield, judged, and his awards appeared to give satisfaction. Sp. most points in champion section: 1, Wilkinson, 14 points; 2, Burdick Bros., 13. Nov.: 1, Speak, 17; 2, Sharp, 11.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, vhc, Burdick Bros.; 2, c, Wilkinson; 3, Haigh; hc, Pilling. BUFF: 1, Wilkinson; 2, 3, vhc, Burdick Bros.; hc, Haigh. MKD: 1, Wilkinson; 2, Pilling; 3, Haigh; vhc, Lloyd. GR.: 1, Pilling. NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (16): 1, 3, W. Speak; 2, J. Speak; vhc, Sharp; hc, Whitham; c, Thornton. BUFF (11): 1, Sharp; 2, 3, W. Speak; vhc, Thornton; hc, Horsman; c, Ellis. MKD (10): 1, c, W. Speak; 2, Wild; 3, Sladdin and Baldwin; vhc, Holroyd; hc, Sharp. GR. (9): 1, Thornton; 2, Seruton; c, Briggs; vhc, Sladdin and Baldwin; hc, Sharp. CHAMP. NOR. YELL.: 1, Lloyd; 2, Lord. BUFF: 1, 2, Lord. NOV. NOR. YELL.: 1, 2, 3, Cooney. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Cooney. BRIT. FINCH: 1, 2, 3, Macpherson; hc, Helliwell. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 3, Macpherson; 2, vhc, Helliwell.—H. Clez, Sec.

Club Reports.

DARVEL C.B.S.

General meeting Town Hall, Nov. 25, before a fair turnout; Mr. D. Hopkins chair. Prize money to the amount of £1 7s. 6d. was paid out in respect of club show held Nov. 14. Decided to hold a table show, Dec. 15, for British birds, Goldf., Bullf., Linnets, Greenf., Lesser Redpoll and Siskin. Sec. was instructed to write Mr. Dale to judge same.—J. Fulful, Sec.

BLAYDON-ON-TYNE C.B.S.

Meeting, Nov. 23, with a fairly good turnout of members. Schedule for members' show, clubroom, Blaydon Hotel, Dec. 13, was considered, and Mr. J. Rischoro, Sunderland, elected judge. Classes: Nor. nine, Crests six, Yorks. eight, Border eight, two selling, two British and Mules, one gift class. Mr. J. Morrison was elected as a member.—Geo. Haver, Hon. Sec.

EAST HAM C.B.S.

Show Oct. 31, Ruskin Hotel. Nearly 200 birds were staged. Mr. J. Robson judged.

From the catalogue we gather that the principal winners were: YORKS. CHAMP: Bennett. AMAT: Parker, Wilkins and Son, Fox. NOV.: Blackman, Stevens, Baxter, Collinge, Thomas, Major. NOR. CHAMP: Taylor, Perry. AMAT: Gedge, Walker, Evans, Dalton. NOV.: Stophor, Wadsworth, Hinson, Burrows, Manning, Ferridge. BORD. AMAT: Potter. NOV.: Stevens, Daw, Kybert, Hammond, Pordham, Onslow. BRIT.: Parker, Walker, Ferridge, Wadsworth, Pask and Webb, Iron. MULES: Pask and Webb, Walker, Manning. FOR.: Parker.

HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN C.B.S.

Evening show, Nov. 3, Nightingale Hotel, with quite a grand collection of birds, both as to numbers and quality. Many lady fanciers take an energetic and practical interest in the welfare of the society, and the members are especially fortunate in having so keen and enthusiastic a supporter as Mr. Day, the chairman, and such a methodical and go-ahead sec. as Mr. P. Brooks. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged.

CHAMP. NOR.: 1, he, c, Brooks, leader a very smart bull ck., rare shape, qual.; 2, 3, Griffin, tkd. wing yell. hen, a beauty, and saddle mkd. buff ck., grand size and nice qual.; vhc. Harris. NOV. NOR.: 1, 2, Cobden, very silky feathered bird leading; 3, H. Golden, close up; vhc. he, Bates. YORKS.: A very good class; Mr. Everett had a clean sweep, and also annexed the spl. with a very smart exhibit. MULES: 1, Griffin; 2, Bates.

WIBSEY C.B.S.

Show Horse and Droom Inn, Nov. 7, Mr. E. Grange judged.

CL. or TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, 4, Chapman; 3, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc. Farrer; he, Ormondroyd; c, Mann. BUFF: 1, Mann; 2, J. Crowther; 3, Ormondroyd; 4, Farrer; vhc. he, Chapman; c, Sutcliffe. EVEN, ETC. GR. MD. YELL. CK.: 1, he, Mann; 2, 3, Sutcliffe; 4, Wilkinson Bros.; vhc. Crowther; c, Hanson. BUFF: 1, 4, Hanson; 2, 3, Sutcliffe; vhc. Wilkinson Bros. CINN. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, Chapman. CL. or TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Hanson; 2, 3, Sutcliffe; 4, J. Crowther; vhc. Mann. BUFF: 1, Sutcliffe; 2, Batty; 3, Wilkinson Bros.; 4, J. Crowther; vhc. Chapman; he, Ormondroyd; c, Farrer. EVEN, ETC. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, 4, Wilkinson Bros.; 3, vhc. W. Crowther. BUFF: 1, 3, W. Crowther; 2, Chapman; 4, he, c, Hanson; vhc. Mann. CLASS 12: 1, W. Chapman. CINN. MKD. BUFF HEN: 1, Chapman; 2, 3, Mann.—W. Chapman, sec.

GLASGOW EAST END O.A.

Special meeting Nov. 3, 87, Old Darmarnock Road, Bridgeton. Mr. L. Scott chair, with a fairly good turnout of members. Entries for show were taken, and other business concerning show was dealt with.

Annual show, Nov. 7, Parish School Halls, Old Dalmarnock Road, with a very fair entry.

SCOTCH FANCY YELL. CK.: 1, cup, Palmer; 2, 3, Muir. BUFF CK.: 1, 2, 3, Muir. PIED.: 1, Craig; 2, 3, Cochran. YELL. HEN: 1, 2, Muir; 3, McRoberts. BUFF: 1, 3, Muir; 2, Palmer. BORD. CL. OR TKD.: 1, Scott; 2, Harris; 3, Bryce. HEN: 1, 2, Scott; 3, Harris. MKD. CK.: 1, Wilson; 2, Harris; 3, McRoberts. HEN: 1, Bryce; 2, Wilson; 3, Harris. NOR. CL. OR TKD. CK.: 1, 3, Grey; 2, Burnett. HEN: 1, 3, Harris; 2, Scott. MKD. CK.: 1, 3, Harris; 2, Burnett. MKD. HEN: 1, 3, Burnett; 2, Harris. CREST: 1, Dieker; 2, Belshaw; 3, White-law. Bord. cup winner, L. Scott; Nor. cup, D. Harris.—D. Burnett, Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Young stock, Nov. 7, and a washing exhibition given Nov. 11 by Mr. G. Russell proved to be the best items yet given on the Society's winter programme. Over 60 birds were staged, and there was a splendid muster of members at the washing exhibition. Mr. Wells judged the young stock show, and gave every satisfaction. We should like to see more members showing; entries from only about 12 members out of 60, but so many are engaged in making war supplies that their time is never their own. Competition for the cups is keen, and the Christmas show on Dec. 26 should attract record entries. Mr. Roe has been engaged to judge. Champ.: Cowley 20, Burke 16, Swindon, Harding 9, Hughes, Bayliss 5, others 3. Nov.: Thompson 13, Barron 15, Proddy 5, others 2. Brit.: Mr. Raby 11 points; many of the British fanciers did not show, but are well in the running. Don't forget Dec. 26.

YORKS. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Burke; 2, c, Cowley; 3, Hughes. BUFF: 1, 2, Cowley; 3, Harding; 4, Swindon. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Cowley; 4, Harding; 3, Burke. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Luckman. BUFF: 1, 4, Barron; 2, Proddy; 3, Thompson. A.O.V.: 1, Thompson; 2, 3, Barron. MULES: 1, 2, Raby; 3, Hickling; 4, Willmott. Mr. Raby secured all firsts in Brit.; runners-up, Mr. Willmott and Hickling.—J. Sheppard, Sec.

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ANNFIELD PLAIN C.B.S.

Meeting Nov. 21, Mr. Cresswell chair. Decided to hold show in Mr. Hangnum's long room. Moved that A. O'Neill become a member; anyone wishing to join is welcome! Meeting Dec. 9, to arrange specials and other business. There will be an open Linnets class, Dec. 12, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s., so let us see all the Linnets fanciers turn up and have a good competition; entrance 1s. Mr. T. Dixon, of Bedlington, judges.—W. Thompson, sec.

BARRY F. AND F.S.

Show, Nov. 7. Cage birds numbered 19 in three classes. Mr. A. Nicholson judged to the satisfaction of everybody. The proceeds of the entire show were in aid of the St. John's Ambulance. Mr. H. P. Thomas, the sec., worked hard along with his band of workers, and the show was a great success. Mr. F. C. Williams won sps. for best Canary and best bird, with a splendid Canary, and Mr. W. Shead best Brit. with a beautiful Goldfinch.

CAN.: 1, 2, sp, Williams; 2, Gosling; 3, Wood, ruffe. BRIT.: 1, sp, 2, Shead; 3, S. Atkinson. MULES: 1, Smalldon; 2, Burrough; 3, Shead.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.S.

Annual meeting held at show, Nov. 29, Mr. Wareing presiding. The chairman said that he would not only be voicing the opinion of those present, but the rest of the members, in thanking the Fancy for the splendid support rendered in making the show a successful one. Correspondence was passed as read. A discussion ensued upon the new idea (in the Roller Fancy) of publishing in the show schedules the judges' names to their respective classes, but only two members were in favour of the proposed innovation. Mr. Wardleworth proposed a vote of confidence in the secretary, Mr. Percival, and Mr. Percival seconded the motion. Mr. Percival responded, and said he was very much touched at all the kind things that had been said regarding his services. He felt that he could not let the moment pass without paying a tribute to the services rendered to him during the past year by Messrs. Wareing, Massey, and Kilshaw. He also thanked those present for their valuable assistance at the show that day. Mr. J. Earnshaw was elected a member. A hearty vote of thanks to the chair brought the meeting to a close.—J. Tomlinson, for A. Percival.

LARKHALL G.B.A.

Annual social, Nov. 21, in Charing Cross Halls. Mr. Rundell presided over a large gathering of members and friends. After doing justice to an excellent tea provided by Mr. Haggerty they had a real treat in the musical part of the programme. The following artistes contributed: Miss Mary Craig, Miss Georgia Brown, Mrs. John Craig, and Messrs. Hystop, R. Semple, G. Pollock. Next was distributed the cups, specials and prize money won at show, followed by a presentation from members of club to Mr. and Mrs. Rundell, of a walking-stick and umbrella; Mr. James Kennedy made the presentation and asked Mr. and Mrs. Rundell to accept same as a slight appreciation of how the members value the services of Mr. Rundell as a president. Mr. Rundell suitably replied. Votes of thanks to the committee for arranging social so well, to the artistes for their kindness, and to chairman, who in his usual way had greatly helped to the enjoyment of the evening, were accorded. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a very enjoyable evening to a close.

Meeting Y.M. Halls on Nov. 28, president in the chair. Decided to start the series of table shows Dec. 12, with 5 classes of Borders, judge, Mr. Tom Ritchie, Lesmahagow; yell. ck., yell. hen, buff ck., buff hen, gr. or cinnamon; judging at 6; points to count for Mr. Marley's special of 10s. cash. Mr. Rundell gave special of 2s. 6d. for most points over show.—Allan Thomson, sec.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

WIGAN.

The Old Wigan Linnets Club is starting at the Bay Horse Hotel, Whelley, Wigan (proprietor, Mr. Sam Fishwick). Anyone wishing to join should kindly attend meeting on Sat. Dec. 4, at 7 p.m.—A. Leyland, sec. (Advt.)

PONTEFRACT.

Linnets contest, Woodman Inn, Nov. 21, 17 entered. 1, 2, 3, Beard. Open sing, Nov. 22, 15 entered: 1, 2, Beard; 3, Nelson. Open sing, Nov. 23, three minutes time sing, five seconds break, 20 entered: 1, 2, 3, Beard, 114, 67, 47. Open sing, Nov. 29, 26 entered: 1, Beard, 82; 2, Williams, 71; 3, Beard 70.—S. Pugh, sec.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnets contest at the George and Dragon, Bridge-st., Nov. 23, for three good prizes. Winners: 1, S. Morley, 103; 2, W. Ratcliffe, 90; 3, J. Cooper, 78. We also had a sing on Nov. 29 for three prizes: 1, 2, S. Morley; 3, J. Wainwright. Our members have contributed 8s. 6d. towards cages for the hospitals of wounded soldiers, and enclosed you will find postal order for same. We wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—S. Morley, sec.

[We heartily thank the members of the Castleford Linnets Club for their generous and timely donation.—Editor.]

LEEDS.

Leeds Linnets and C.C. quality singing match, Nov. 29, Plasterers Arms, Skinner Lane, 24 birds competed: 1, T. Johnson; 2, 3, Jack Chippendale; 4, F. Turner; judges, Bros. Lorrinan and H. Hayes. The Canary match same evening provided a very pleasant entertainment, 10 classical Rollers singing: 1, Lipman; 2, 3, shared by T. Howarth and A. Lorrinan; judges, C. Cooper and C. Lorrinan.—F. Turner, sec.

Quality singing contests, old bird house, Skinner's Arms, Buslingthorpe, Nov. 27, 19 birds sang. 1, Ward; 2, Binns; 3, shared, King and Rosindale. Judges, Messrs. C. Clayton and J. Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Warrington (Lanes).—Cairo Street Schools, Dec. 11, 12. Judges, J. C. Barnes, J. D. Leigh, G. Large. 47 cl.: Yorks. 11 (6 Nov.), Nor. 11 (6 Nov.), Bord. 19, A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Mules 3, Brit. 8. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s.; fec. 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 7, to G. M. Nelson, 466 Knutsford Road.

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WARRINGTON

19th Annual Show,

Friday and Saturday, December 11 & 12.

Held in the Calro Street Schools. Judges: Messrs. J. C. Barnes, G. Large, and J. D. Leigh. Open Yorkshire and Norwich, Novice Yorkshire and Norwich, Borders 10 classes, Mules and British. Entries close Monday, Nov. 30. Schedules from: C. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Road, Warrington. Error in Schedules, see "Twitterings" this week's issue.

SITTINGBOURNE

And Dist. C.B.S.

Fourth Annual Show, open to the County of Kent, held in Fanciers' Hall adjoining George Hotel, Wed. and Thurs. Dec. 16 and 17, 1914. Please enter from this. Entries positively close first post, Dec. 13. Judge, Mr. Jeffrey Jefferies (Southall). Entrance fee 1/-. Prize Money, 6/-, 3/-, 1/6, eight entries. 10 per cent. on all sales. Classification: 1, Nor., Cl. Yell. Ck.; 2, Cl. Buff Ck.; 3, Varieg. Cock; 4, Hens; 5, Unflig.; 6, Yorkshire, Cl. Yell. Cock; 7, Cl. Buff Cock; 8, Varieg. Cock; 9, Hens; 10, Unflig.; 11, Any Other Variety Canary; 12, Mule or Hybrid; 13, Brit. Goldfinch; 14, Bullfinch; 15, Greenfinch; 16, Any Other Finch; 17, Redpoll, Twite, or Siskin; 18, Linnets; 19, British Softbills; 20, Foreign, Small, including Java; 21, Larger than Java; 22, Sell., Any Variety C.B.; 23, Any Variety C.B., 29s.

Sec., T. Monday, "Glenville," Canterbury Rd.

ABERDEEN

Amalgamated Cage Bird Society Annual Open Show of Canaries, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Cage Birds, will be held in the Ballroom, Music Hall, on December 18 and 19. Judges, James Smeaton, Musselburgh, and William Bishop, Stirling. Entries close December 14th. Surplus funds to be handed to the Red Cross Society.—William Allison, Sec., 3, Burnett Place, Aberdeen. (1917)

NEWTONGRANGE

Notwithstanding the crisis, we have increased the classification. Annual Show, December 19, 1914. Popular Judges: Norwich, Jas. Calderwood, Esq., Kilmarnock; Borders, R. H. Douglas, Esq., Loan-head; British, Jas. Mason, Esq., Peebles. Fanciers rally round Newtongrange. Entries close December 14.—John Nelson, Sec., 85, Dean Park, Newtongrange.

DONCASTER

5th Annual Open Show of Canaries, December 19. Judge, Mr. H. W. Batty. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Entry fee, 1/6 under patronage of Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., C.M.Y.C.C.). 3/6 given by Mr Truman for most points open Yorkshires, Classes 1 to 11. 2/6 given by Mr. J. Simpson for most points open Norwich, Classes 16 to 22. 500 Schedules posted; others apply to: G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Babby Road, Doncaster.

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SWANSEA

DECEMBER 10TH. Entries close Dec. 5.

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WISHAW

Clydesdale C.B.S. Annual Open Show, on January 1, 1915, in Watson's Hall, Young Street, Wishaw. 43 Open Classes. Entries taken till morning of show. Schedules from: Jas. Watson, 16, Young Street, Wishaw.

MARYPORT Bird Show on December 26, 1914. 9 Classes of Yorkshires, and 2 British. Judges T. Harriman and G. Wilson.—J. S. Head, Hon. Sec., 12, Mill Street, Maryport. (1916)

ABERTILLERY and Six Bells F.F. and H.S. (affiliated to S.W. and Mon. Fed.) 7th Annual Open Show of P. Pigs., Cage Birds, and Rabbits, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 1914. Cage Bird Judge, Geo. Gardner, London. Schedules: Ed. Churchill, Hon. Sec., 29, Tillery St., Abertillery, Mon. (1908)

ELGIN C.B.A. 5th Annual Show, December 25. 42 Classes. Judges, Messrs. J. Winter, Edinburgh, F. A. Watt, Banff. Entries close Dec. 18.—Sec., A. W. Douglas, Bishopton, Elgin.

PONTYPRIDD

F. and F. Society (Affiliated to South Wales and Monmouthshire Fed.), January 6th, 1915. Special comfortable room for Cage Birds alone. Judge, C. A. House, Esq. Entries close Dec. 30, 1914. All profits to go to Red Cross Fund. Schedules: A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Maesycod, Pontypridd.

WOOLSTON Show (open to Hants, Wilts., Dorset, Isle of Wight), December 16th, 17th, Cage Birds. Good classification. Numerous Specials. Judge: G. T. Webb, Esq. Entries close Dec. 5th. Schedules: F. G. Etheridge, "The Nest," Weston Lane, Woolston, Hants.

Whitehaven Show

In Labour Hall, under patronage of Cumberland and Westmorland Y.C.C. Prize Money on sliding scale; 2 entries out of each class for expenses, all the rest paid to exhibitors. All birds sent home Saturday night. Held under rules in last year's schedule. Catalogues by post, 3d.

Classification: Yorks., Champion Open: Class 1. Clear or Thigh Tkd. Yell.; 2, do. buff; 3, unevenly mkd. Yell. or Buff; 4, Yell. Hen; 5, Buff do.; 6, Unflighted Yell.; 7, do. Buff; 8, do. Yell. or Buff Hen; 9, £1 Selling, Bird and Cage; 10, Open Novice Yell. Cock; 11, do. Buff; 12, do. Hen; 13, Linnets, House-mulgated; 14, do. Field-moulted. The Linnets Classes are confined to Cumberland. Judges, Mr. R. Tindale (Newcastle), Yorkshires; Mr. J. B. Moore (Whitehaven), Linnets. Exhibitors kindly enter from above. Entries close Monday, Dec. 14, to: J. Stewart, Hon. Sec., 11, Woodville Terr., Whitehaven.

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Twitterings.

At the show of the Glasgow C.B.A., Mr. McCloy won 3rd in A.O. Bunting or Finch, not Winter as reported.

I have sent, through Mr. W. T. Hill, seven Norwich Plainheads to the Otago (New Zealand) fanciers, writes Mr. W. N. Turner, of Hightown, Manchester.

We are looking forward to having a very successful show, as we are the only society to attempt to run an open show on the Tyne-side, writes Mr. W. Curry, hon. sec. Gateshead C.B.S.

I was very pleased indeed to see a sketch of my yellow Norwich hen, best bird in the show at Maidstone show, on the front page of CAGE BIRDS. It was a splendid portrait.—A. V. Lymt (Maidstone).

Schedules for Hamilton and Dist. "War Fund" show on Dec. 12 are out, and I appeal to the Fancy for a full measure of support, writes Mr. W. S. Wilson ("Glendyne," South Park Road, Hamilton). Any one omitted can have schedule on application.



Mr. G. M. Nelson, hon. sec. Warrington C.B.S., writes pointing out two errors in the schedules, many of which have gone out. The word unlighted should not appear in the titles of the first four Yorks Novice classes, and the special stated to be for most points in classes 34 to 36 should read classes 37 to 39.

I have just got fixed up for the hall, the Military having taken over the hall we had engaged, writes Mr. W. Clarkson, sec., Falkirk Good Intent C.B.O. The show will be held in Auction Mart Hall (close to Grahams Station) Dec. 12. Intending members please send on their dues along with the entries up till Dec. 8, no later.

Mr. J. Alderslade, sec. Eastleigh C.B.S., writes that all prize-money won at the show held Nov. 25-26 has been paid. Anyone who may have been overlooked should write Mr. Alderslade. We are glad to hear that sales and gate were good, and the show was a great success, a result which must be gratifying to the hard-working Committee, and the show managers, Messrs. G. Clark, assist. sec., and J. Alderslade, sec.

An Almost White Bullfinch.
I have bought this week a most attractive almost all-white Bullfinch, writes Mr. E. Tams (Longton). It was caught in North Staffordshire. Is it not very rare?

Belgians Like Their Canaries.
I have presented the Belgian Hospital at Trinity Hall, Sittingbourne, with two of my Canaries, writes Mr. H. A. Olive, and the soldiers are very pleased with them. I trust you are receiving a good supply of birds from our fellow-fanciers.

The Bradford National Show.
Owing to the accidental omission of a headline in our report of the above show, we regret to find that the name of Mr. R. Halliday did not appear as the judge of the four open novice Yorkshire classes and the three selling classes.

To Keepers of Poultry.
Readers of "C.B." who keep fowls should not miss the Grand Christmas Number of our sister paper THE POULTRY WORLD—on sale at all newsagents and bookstalls to-day, Dec. 4. This double number contains 40 pages and with every copy is given a Charming Coloured Plate of a group of fowls. Owing to the stoppage of eggs from the Continent for some time to come over £10,000,000 (the yearly value of Gt. Britain's egg imports) must be distributed amongst home-producers. This is the ideal time for readers of "C.B." to join in the Poultry Boom by taking up a pen of laying fowls.

WON'T YOU HELP OUR HOSPITAL CANARY SCHEME?

Note Our Front Page Drawing This Week.

BEFORE our next issue is published practically every one of the principal hospitals housing wounded soldiers and sailors will be in possession of a pet Canary and cage, provided by readers of CAGE BIRDS.

Our scheme has been heartily taken up by bird-lovers, and that their generosity is deeply appreciated by the recipients of the little songsters was impressively evidenced by the numerous extracts from letters printed by us a fortnight ago. Next week we shall publish a list of the hospitals which have accepted these gifts, and also the names of the donors of both the birds and the cages.

A three-months' (at least) supply of seed is being provided free by Messrs. Capern, Ltd., of Bristol; and of bird-sand by Messrs. Trower and Co., of London, N.

We think everyone will agree that the idea of brightening the period of convalescence of our gallant fighting-men by providing them with a sweet-voiced golden-plumaged cheerful little pet to look after and to consider as their own, is a happy notion. Soldiers and sailors are well known to be inveterate keepers of pets; and birds easily occupy first place in their affections. One can well understand, then, the pleasure the presence of a Canary will afford them in the hours of idleness enforced by their wounded condition.

We should like to cover the field more thoroughly than up to the present we have been able to do. There must still be many hospitals and, in particular, convalescent homes, of which we have not as yet heard. That these would also welcome a pet Canary is a foregone conclusion. And we intend to get into touch with them and make them the offer of one.

We need, however, more cages; and we want this week to appeal strongly to our readers to come forward and generously supply them.

Offers of birds have reached us in goodly number; we believe we have enough to meet all demands. But of singing cages

in which to house them there is still an insufficiency.

We realise that there may not be many bird-lovers who have song-cages of the drawing-room type which they are able to dispense with. That they would like to help our scheme, however, we feel sure, and they can do so by making a donation towards the cost of purchase of one of the wanted cages.

We have received already several sums to be devoted to this purpose. This week the secretary of the Castleford and Dist. Linnet Club sends us 8s. 6d., collected from amongst the members of his organisation. We hope their generous action will be the fore-runner of many more by other societies.

Remember that a card inscribed with the names of the donors of bird and cage, etc., accompanies the gift. How well it would look, and what a source of gratification it would surely be to the members to have the name of their society on the said card as the giver of the cage in the local hospital—for, alas, there are few localities now without a war hospital! Well, a collection of even a humble copper from each of the members would bring this desirable state of affairs to pass. May we ask the kindly co-operation of officials of cage-bird societies in bringing the matter before the notice of members? A collecting box placed in the rooms where shows are being held would also, we feel sure, result in material assistance for this desirable scheme.

To bird-lovers who may desire to personally help in the obtaining of the cages, we may say that a sum of 4/6 will provide a very suitable and creditable one (obtained by us at net cost price). Any sums, of course, no matter how small, will be thankfully received and duly acknowledged. What better or more pleasing Xmas gift for a thoroughly deserving cause can you possibly provide? All sums should be sent to The Editor, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Business in the Colonies.

I have shipped to the Otago, New Zealand, fanciers (through Mr. W. T. Hill, late of Manchester) eight pairs of Norwich Greens, Yorkshires, and Lizards, also to Mr. Reed, Melbourne, Australia, Yorkshire Greens, Norwich, and Cinnamons, writes Mr. J. W. Metcalfe (Liverpool).

OBITUARY.

MR. R. G. JOLLIFFE (Glasgow).

The decease of Mr. R. G. Jolliffe, of Glasgow, has only recently come to our notice, although the sad happening occurred some months ago, the end coming, we understand, with distressing suddenness. The late Mr. Jolliffe was a fine figure of a man, with a hearty, genial, lovable disposition, and his passing leaves the Fancy distinctly the poorer, whilst our journal, CAGE BIRDS, has lost a staunch and much-esteemed representative. His memory will be treasured by a wide circle of fancier friends.

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. J. Trengove, that I have to report the death of Mrs. Thomas Seed, of Fern House, Riehton. I feel sure that Mr. Seed's many friends in the Fancy will be sorry to hear of his great loss. Mrs. Seed died on Nov. 25, in her 28th year.

Pure Air and Bird Song.

Writing of the Thrush, in one of his books, Mr. O. G. Pike says: Birds are like human singers, their songs vary to a very great degree, and you will usually find that birds which live near the sea, or on the hills where the air is pure, have far finer and stronger songs than those of the woods and meadows far inland.

Doncaster's Altered Date

Will members of the Open Norwich Plainhead C.C., writes Mr. F. Rhodes, Hon. Sec., make special note of alteration of date for Doncaster C.B.S. Annual Show, from Jan. 9 to Dec. 19. Subs. are considerably overdue. Will members please forward same at an early date and oblige?

Mr. R. Garnett, Sec., Cinnamon Marked Y.C.C. also writes us to call the attention of members to the alteration of date, and asks members to be careful to mark their schedules according to rules, and make the club's remaining competition a success by making as many entries as possible.

Are Judges Consistent?

In connection with the Border Fancy section at Sale Show, we heard a story which is worth repeating. At Manchester Show Mr. Middleton had what is colloquially known as "a bad day out." Being anxious to know the kind of bird Mr. House favoured, he sent for the winning yellow green, liked it, and bought it. Then he set to work to pick out his team for Sale by selecting those nearest to the type of the Manchester winner. The result on Friday last was that he won first in a hot class with a Border of his own breeding, and was second with the Manchester bird! Here is a useful hint for some of those fanciers who argue about the consistency or otherwise of our judges.

A Gift to Fanciers.

When a crisis like the present comes upon us, when we have the least money to spare, we must be careful to spend it to the best advantage. Since last season the material used in "Kozy Karriers" has gone up in price 1 1/2d. per pound, making a difference of 6d. on each four-cage "Karrier," but owing to the great blow to our fellow-fanciers, caused by this war, we have decided to keep our prices as before. There is little doubt that next season, if not sooner, there will have to be an unavoidable advance. We therefore advise you to order your "Kozy Karrier" at once, and thus save on the first cost, and when in use your "Karrier" will save you on your railway charges. Write for a copy of our price list—W. Baron and Co., Ltd., Yorkshire Street Mill, Bacup.

"I could have sold the birds I advertised in CAGE BIRDS a dozen times over, and especially the Goldfinch. I had applications from England, Scotland and Wales. I thank all, as they were rather too many to reply to, except where a stamp was enclosed. This speaks well for your splendid paper—CAGE BIRDS."—W. O. JONES (Whittington, Salop.)

SOME FEATHERED EXQUISITES AT THE HORTICULTURAL HALL SHOW.

By **WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.**
(See Drawing on page 289.)

AMONG the many gorgeous exhibits staged at this exhibition, Mr. A. Ezra's Humming Birds stand pre-eminent; and his ability to keep them for so long a period, the Garnet-throated having been in captivity nearly nine months, and the Ricordi's nearly six, though the latter was apparently dead on arrival—is unique! Thus Mr. Ezra's feat stands out in the annals of aviculture, a science which is growing and extending by leaps and bounds in this country, and the extent of its triumphs in increasing annually.

At the same time, it would appear that the greatest difficulty lies in obtaining the birds, for Mr. Ezra states he gives them the same treatment, except for the extra heat (their cages being maintained as near 70 deg. Fahr. as possible), that he gives his Sun-birds. Nevertheless, one must pause to consider the thoughtful care, preparation, and accommodation provided for such presumably fragile and dainty creatures; and, in the thoroughness of these preparations, I opine, lies the secret of Mr. Ezra's success, combined with a strong admixture of common sense in meeting each new difficulty as it has arisen.

Cage and Incubator in One.

A glance at the cages was an example of this; these were elegant, tasteful, practical—constructed somewhat on the incubator principle, but with the heating chamber kept going with night-lights, from one to four, according to outside conditions. Mr. Ezra too has acted upon the certain fact that it is not the size of the bird, but its demeanour, that is the governing factor in cage space requirements—such feathered mites as these occupied two of the largest cages in the show, excluding perhaps some of the larger Parrots. They had space to hover in, to feed on the wing, and to indulge their natural characteristics to delighted spectators—features which mean a clean bill of health

to the favoured ones. Such conditions as these, combined with untiring and thoughtful care, are the secrets of Mr. Ezra's success.

But they do not always live in cages, they have daily liberty in Mr. Ezra's bird room, where those privileged to watch them on the wing find their charm simply indescribable, and the beauty of their metallic garments beyond the power of pen to describe. I must, however, make an attempt, so that the birds depicted in Mr. Goodchild's drawing may appear before my reader's eyes, clad in all their living splendour.

Garnet-throated Carib (*Eulampis jugularis*).—Above, this is rich metallic-green; throat and breast garnet or ruby; remainder of underparts blackish—beak, contour, etc., will be best gathered from a reference to our plate. Ricordi's Humming-Bird (*Sporadinis ricordi*).—This dainty mite, which might almost be drowned in a thimble, is clad in various shades of metallic emerald-green—for other features see plate.

To the above I must add that the colours vary according to the angle at which the light plays upon the plumage, which glistens and glitters like the scales of a snake (this feature is well indicated by Mr. Goodchild in the sketches I saw at the show), and they run through every hue of the colours named. With such a description I must rest content, the English dictionary is barren indeed when one attempts to describe such exquisites.

One cannot describe their airy grace, sustained by almost invisible wings, as they hovered in front of the syrup cup, or grape, their slender tongues darting out and drawing in the sweets necessary for their sustenance. Nor were they much less charming as they sat on some fragile twig in sedate repose. A word as to their menu—the syrup consists of condensed milk, Mellin's food, and honey brought to a proper consistency with boiling water; grapes, and when obtainable, green-fly and other aphida.

The Pet Birds of the Royal Family.

Our Queen Has Quite an Aviary at Buckingham Palace.

FOR many years Mr. Dawson, of Lower Sloane Street, Chelsea, has been bird "doctor" to the Royal Family, almost every member of which has some feathered pet. These are regularly visited to have their claws cut and receive other little attentions. His Majesty, when Duke of York, brought home in the Ophir from Australia a Parrot named "Jooy," who was for many years a great pet.

He arrived in one of the native cages made of plaited grass, and his transfer to something gilded and more suitable was a business that required skill and some pluck. Later, when he broke his shoulder, Mr. Dawson had to attend daily at York House, where the operation of changing splints was watched with interest by the young princes.

Her Majesty the Queen has quite an aviary, many of the birds coming to her and when called by name. When their Majesties went to India their various feathered pets were (says the "Daily News") sent to board with Mr. Dawson, who proudly boasts that every one of them was returned in perfect health at the end of the visit.

Princess Patricia, on one of her voyages, had a Parrot presented to her by the sailors. She has become very much attached to him, and takes him wherever she goes. He has crossed to Canada several times.

"When their Royal Highnesses are at Clar-

ence House," said Mr. Dawson, "I have to go regularly and cut his claws and attend to him; he is wonderfully tame and devoted to his mistress."

The Prince of Wales made a great pet of a Bullfinch for several years, but a short time ago Mr. Dawson received a note saying: "Mr. H. P. Hansell is desired by the Prince of Wales to inform Mr. Dawson that His Royal Highness is at present so seldom in the same place that it is hardly fair on the Bullfinch to attempt to keep it. The Prince of Wales desires Mr. Dawson to keep it for himself, as the bird will be much happier."

Certainly the Bullfinch looked very proud and happy as he sat puffing himself out—and looking down in scorn on a pair of Parakeets belonging to a mere member of the aristocracy, which had been sent to board with Mr. Dawson while their owner was away big-game hunting in Africa.

Mrs. Clarke, the housekeeper at Buckingham Palace, keeps an eye on all pets, ordering their food, etc., but their Majesties insist that Princess Mary and her brothers shall look after their own pets. Systematic neglect or forgetfulness has been known to result in the mysterious disappearance of a bird.

"If you do not care enough for him to see that he is properly fed and his cage kept clean, someone else must have him," the delinquent is told.

A last word must be said of the beautiful staging of these birds. We have already noted the cages, but a passing mention must be made of the delicate foliage, drooping gracefully around an orchid, partially screening the twigs upon and about which the birds disported, not unduly intruding, but forming a fitting setting for these dainty sprites, the whole making a unique picture of captive bird-life, the like of which bird lovers seldom have an opportunity to enjoy.

The Japanese Hawfinch.

What a contrast between this and the birds above described; here we have heavy build and a huge beak which almost seems to hide its head when viewed frontally; yet the bird is extremely handsome and beautiful, a sort of graceful robustness adding dignity and character to its contrasting and tastefully-hued garment, and huge yellow beak. While figuring a beautiful bird, our illustration of

from the Black-tailed Hawfinch (often mis-named Japanese Hawfinch) this species, a pair of which were staged by Miss Smyth, has the ends of the flights white, and most of the wing feathers more or less tipped with white. Readers will also note the marked difference between it and the English species; the Japanese is more slenderly built, has a larger beak (pure yellow, whitish at its base) and but one white wing bar; its general plumage is more evenly coloured, and it also has a longer tail. These distinctions, and others less pronounced, will be apparent at once to all who care to take the trouble to make the comparison. As regards the bird staged by Mr. A. Silver, from which our illustration was drawn, its condition was perfect; altogether a bird to be proud of.

(To be continued.)

TRAINING CANARIES TO BE CLEVER SONGSTERS.

Extracts from an interesting article by I UH EVERETT in the "Girls Own Paper."

MY Golden darling is a graduate of a school of music—bird music, I mean. Let me tell you what he can do and where and how he was taught.

Hold your watch in your hand and try to sing one minute without taking a breath. You will find it difficult; but my pet will carry on for a full minute with perfect ease. He can sing part of a scale, and have every note true; and, what is more wonderful, when singing those scale notes he will change from the major to the minor key without any difficulty. My pet imitates the tone of bells exactly. He can sing the song of the Nightingale and mimic the running waters of the babbling brook.

There is no royal road to learning, and my pet's accomplishments were acquired by diligent application on his own part, and never-ending patience on that of his professor in music. "Pet" was hatched, brought up, and taught in one of the peasant districts on the Continent, where music, as an art, has reached perfection; where patience, as a virtue, discounts Job many times over.

Paul, the Professor.

One of the most interesting things I have seen in my travels is the peasant homes of these professional bird breeders and trainers. It is not a big business. There is little hope of ever becoming a billionaire at it; but the Continental peasant is a plodder. He is not an imaginative individual. He is industrious, and his desires are few, his necessities still fewer, and those who follow the business of breeding and training Canary birds give it their entire time, and are satisfied with the life and the money they make.

Let us say that each one of these peasant breeders will raise from two hundred to three hundred male birds in a season. I wish you could see the bird-trainers. Paul, the professor, wears a home-made head-covering that resembles a Turkish fez more than anything else in the hat or cap line. He has a round jacket; he has wide clumsy-looking pantaloons, and wooden shoes which he removes just inside the door, walking about the house in his socks or bare feet, according to the degree of cold.

The musical education of the male birds begins when they are six weeks old. Paul puts each bird into a box about ten inches long, with one small round hole in the centre of the front. Birdy gets barely enough light

to enable him to find his seed and drinking cups.

Long rows of these box cages are placed, one on top of another, four or five deep, in a sound-proof room; for Paul wishes his pupils to hear only such things as they may imitate. Their music lessons are given every two hours.

At first the birds hear just flute notes. Next comes a scale, which is played softly and very slowly. Paul listens carefully; for some of the birds are bound to be deficient in the gift of imitating. With such as those it is idle to waste time. The chop-note is the natural song of the Canary; but Mr. Chop-note is immediately taken out and sold for any price he will bring.

As soon as the birds have mastered the flute tones Paul takes his violin, and while walking slowly along plays and listens to his pupils, that he may detect mistakes and correct them. During the time given to violin lessons the birds are not permitted to forget their flute notes. They get two or three turns at them each day.

The Human Voice Well Beat n

The trill is one of the most difficult things for the birds to master; yet in a few weeks Paul will have his birds trilling as no human voice can. Nor need these birds trill on one note. They change from one note to another, trilling all the while. My pet, in his trills, dwells on one note or more for such a length of time that I fairly hold my breath in amazed questioning as to how all that continuous music can come out of one little throat.

At whatever hour you switch on the electric light, "Pet" is ever ready to burst forth into song. If I am dull and worried, many things having gone wrong during the day, the songs of my yellow beauty seem to say, "Cheer up! You have health and me—many people have less!"

It was difficult to tame my pet, because, before I owned him, he had never been handled. By slow degrees he came to understand that I meant him no harm, and now he needs but one invitation to hop to my finger and let me thus carry him whithersoever I will. In that position he will go through his entire repertoire. When he gets to the end he expects his pay; which tin-bit consists of four hemp seeds.



HOW THE BIRDLING GOT HIS BREAKFAST.

THE WAR AND THE CAGE BIRD FANCY.

A novel Co-operative Scheme is suggested to capture the Export Trade in Canaries.

A Lecture by
Mr. E. OUSMAN,
given before the
Stoke-on-Trent
C.B.S. on Nov. 9th.

THE effect of the war on the cage bird Fancy may to the person outside the realms of the "Fancy" seem a most insignificant matter, but to the bird-lover and fancier it is far different. When humanity gets to the end of its mortal tether, the sum total of its wealth consists not in the amount of money accumulated and spent, or left behind, but in the amount of happiness gained out of life; and only the fancier knows the happiness of hours spent in the company of his feathered friends. But this, it may be said, is only "sentiment."

Let us look again; this time from a material point of view. The war has robbed the "Fancy," and the trades allied to it, just as much as it has robbed any other trade. Open shows have been abandoned, and consequently the judges have lost fees; cage-makers have been robbed of orders for thousands of show cages, and this in its turn has affected the wire front makers and the manufacturers of cage wire. It has also prevented the fancier from exhibiting his birds, always with the chance of a profitable sale, and in turn traffic has been lost to the railway companies. It has increased the price of bird foods and upkeep generally, while at the same time it has decreased the value of the birds owing to "slump." To pile on the agony it has in some cases robbed the fancier of the work whereby he earns his daily bread, or his income has been reduced, and this may effectually prevent him holding his surplus stock over until more favourable times. The dealer in birds will suffer reduced sales, and will at the same time consider it only wise to be economical in his purchases. And thus all the way through the "Fancy" and the numerous trades in connection with it, depression is likely to be felt.

The Silver Lining.

Now let us cry "enough" to this tale of woe and endeavour to find the silver lining to the cloud. What can we do when peace is restored and we are happy in the resumption of normal conditions? Opportunities have been shown to us as fanciers, which we should be blind to ignore. Germany has been sending to this country probably well over 8,000 Canaries each year, and incidentally robbing British fanciers of a large and profitable trade; surely we can prevent a recurrence of this very serious leakage in our own business?

They have also been sending some 20,000 to America, and probably still further consignments to other countries. Now, if Germany can conduct this export business profitably, what on earth is to stop us from doing so? We ought, at any rate, to have a reasonable share of the profits accruing from an export trade which at present probably only represents to Great Britain about 6,000 birds per year sent out by our large dealers, and chiefly, I suppose, to British colonies.

A vital feature of this export trade would be the adequate collection and distribution of the birds. This would mean that a workable scheme would have to be evolved and adopted by our experts, who would systematise the methods and standardise the materials. To my mind (remembering always that I am a novice) this could best be done on the co-operative principle, and somewhat on the following lines.

Let a company be formed by share-holding cage bird societies, who shall invest in one

or more £1 shares, carrying interest at five per cent., and who shall appoint a committee of management to take the responsibility of the collection of the birds at, say, two intervals at the end of the breeding season, from the shareholding societies who, in turn, would collect them from their own members, each charging a reasonable percentage for so doing.

A Capital of £100.

Let us say that out of the 500 or 600 cage bird societies in Great Britain, 50 societies having an average membership of 20 agree to take up the scheme, and each of these invests in two £1 shares in the central company, which is thus enabled to commence with a capital of £100 and immediately make investigations with regard to suitable markets, etc.

In due course it will notify the shareholding societies that it is prepared to receive and market the first consignment of birds. The local secretary notifies his members, who will deliver their birds to him on a given date, so that they may be despatched to the appointed post within a few hours, members supplying their birds in the travelling cages standardised, and possibly supplied at nominal charges by the central company.

So each of these 50 societies could consign on a given date to (say) Liverpool to the order of the central company probably about 150 birds, making in all a total export consignment of 7,500 birds. This looks a big lot, does it not? But it averages only 7½ birds per member, and I think you will agree that this average is reasonably low.

The percentage of charges payable by members per bird would be a detail for later arrangement. But taking the same average number of birds, let us suppose that members pay 2½ per cent. on the approximate nett market value of their birds, which we will place for easy calculation at 4s. per bird. Then each secretary receiving from his members 150 birds will also receive as fees 15s. to pay for preliminary packing and carriage to Liverpool, and also a small fee payable to the central company, say one per cent., which would give from the 50 societies a total fee of £15. Out of this the central company would pay final packing and loading expenses and also sea freight on the full consignment of birds.

Dividends for the Shareholders.

On completion of the sale of the birds, the net profit made by the central company would be subject to such financial charges as would be necessary to place the business on a sound basis, and the remainder would return as dividend to the shareholding societies, and through them to the original vendors of the birds in proportion to the value of the birds supplied, subject, of course, to any management disbursements locally.

This, of course, is only the rough principle, and my figures with regard to expenses and charges are only visionary. The matter would require much detail development by experienced business men and fanciers, but I think circumstances have made it sufficiently clear that the possibilities of the position are many and favourable. Fanciers have no doubt realised the attainments of various combinations of capital in other channels, and I feel sure that if this business was encouraged and developed in a proper and businesslike manner, much benefit would accrue to the Fancy.

The Pelican that Escaped

THE Pelican enclosure at the London Zoological Gardens, being situated in a slight depression in the ground and surrounded with trees, it has not been found necessary to pinion the birds, as it was thought to be practically impossible for them, even if they were capable of flight, to get enough to start off to enable them to rise clear of the trees. As a rule, we have cut a few feathers from one wing of each bird, and no more.

On rare occasions a bird of one of the smaller species has occasionally managed to fly, but has not been able to carry on for more than a few hundred yards. However, two months ago an Australian Pelican, which had not long arrived, was more successful. The keeper had apparently omitted to take the usual precaution of cutting a few feathers from one wing, and it is presumed that the bird, having managed to clear the fence of its enclosure, walked along the path leading to the terrace walk,

from which it was able to get a clear start off.

At any rate, early one Sunday morning it was seen flying over the Gardens, and disappearing over Regent's Park. I felt sure that it would not have gone very far, as so heavy a bird which has not flown for some time usually soon gets out of breath, and is easily captured. However, all inquiries failed to reveal its whereabouts, and we could not hear of its having been seen by anybody, and the bird was eventually given up as lost.

Wherever had it Been?

It now appears that an Australian Pelican, without doubt the same bird, was shot the other day in Suffolk, and it would be very interesting to know where this bird can have been during its two months of freedom. The fact that so large and conspicuous a bird can escape detection for so long is very interesting. It may, of course, have been living on the sea, but even then one would have expected that so uncommon an object would have been detected and reported.—D. Seth-Smith, in "The Field."



JUST SO!

Philip Sparrow: I know I'm not a model husband, Mary, but you'll admit I'm always home before dark.

OUR COLOURED PLATE.

Some Interesting Views of Sixty Years Ago on the "Turn-Crest" Canary.

THE coloured plate, "A Study of the Crested Canary," which accompanies this issue, is a reproduction of an oil-painting by Mr. H. Norman, and will, we venture to think, be voted one of the very best pieces of work yet accomplished by CAGE BIRDS' popular artist. It depicts, in addition to the clear bird, practically every stage of marking and colour found in this magnificent variety of Canary.

The acme of perfection is generally held to be the bird with a dark crest and a clear body, although in the estimation of many the bird which is evenly marked on the inner feathers of both wings ranks very little, if any, lower in the scale. The clear is, too, a most fascinating bird, though this and its "near relation" the grizzle crest, seem less often to possess the very high excellence of headpiece so often found in their dark crested brethren. Some of the best of their kind have been found amongst the variegated birds—specimens with wonderfully expansive and thickly built crests—and the same may be said of the self greens. Crested birds with cinnamon-coloured plumage are quite rarities—at least, on the show bench now-a-days. The silky quality of their plumage is fascinating, but they do not compare in size of crest with their green-marked fellows.

An Associate of "Low-bred Birds"!

In these days of Crests that fetch any sum from £10 to £50, and sometimes nearer £100, it is interesting to read the views of a writer on the Canary and its breeding (the Rev. F. Smith) taken from a book of his published some 60 years ago. This worthy bird-lover evidently held a very poor opinion of the "Turn-crown" of those days, and his views read very strangely in this year of grace. He says:—

There is yet another variety of our favourite songster which I must not omit to mention, or which, perhaps, more correctly speaking, may be found as it were by accident in most or all the kinds we have named, to wit, the Turncrest. With some people these are great favourites, more especially with the lower classes of bird fanciers for whom anything curious or novel appears to possess a great charm. Their peculiarity consists in having a crest of feathers on the top of the head, turned, as it were, the wrong way, and hanging down over the beak and eyes, something like an old-fashioned wool-mop, or, if the association be not too irreverent, like the crop of a Cistercian monk. In general, as might be expected from the above remarks, they will

be found most plentiful amongst the common low-bred birds of the country districts, and associated with the greatest amount of ugliness in the outline of their figure.

If all such were to be exterminated by act of parliament, or a Canary jockey club, or any other power to-morrow, we hold it would be one of the greatest boons that could possibly be conferred on the Canary-loving community.

In breeding birds of this description, most people in order to obtain the greatest development of crest possible, would naturally select a male and female remarkable for the size and shape of this elegant appendage, and expect to see their offspring still more highly favoured in this respect than themselves. But experience teaches otherwise, and emphatically says that if we do this, the result will in all probability be in diametrical opposition to our wishes.

The Why and the Wherefore!

All writers, and every breeder I have spoken to on the subject, unanimously declare that if we pair two crested birds together, the majority of their offspring, so far from being more highly favoured than their parents, will absolutely be more or less deficient in this appendage so much desired, if their heads are not positively bald! Why this should be the case I cannot tell, nor could I ever obtain any satisfactory explanation of the matter, or, indeed, any reason at all beyond that it is so.

To obtain birds with fine crests, the practice is to select one parent only with this appendage, which signifies little, though for my part I should prefer it to be the hen, as we know from many careful experiments that have been made that it is the male that contributes for the most part the bones and what may be termed the locomotive organs, and the female the internal organs on which depend the skin, and, consequently, the feathers, which, of course, form the crest.

As in the human being, experience often shows that minds formed of the opposite attributes more forcibly attract each other than those which appear cast in the same mould, so we suppose a similar effect is produced in the bodily organism of our pets, and that in the case of our Turncrests the rule of contraries is more potent than the rule of harmonies. The greater the contrast the greater the fascination, and the more likelihood of success. In this respect, extremes shall meet, and a beauteous offspring of crested birds shall spring from a crested cock and smooth-headed hen, or from a crested hen and smooth-headed cock.

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SALE SHOW.—Continued.

A WONDERFUL DISPLAY OF FEATHERED BEAUTY.

London's Great Show in Aid of a Noble Cause Attracts Britain's Best Birds.

EVERYTHING BRIGHT BUT THE WEATHER. THE "GATE" EXTINGUISHED BY THE RAIN. A GREAT ENTRY OF OVER 2,000 BIRDS.

A TRULY great show yet truly a great disappointment. This may sound paradoxical, nevertheless it is the only possible summation of the 26th International Show, held on Nov. 26, 27 and 28, in the Horticultural Hall.

If ever show deserved a brimming measure of success, assuredly 'twas this. It might fairly have advanced a claim upon the favour of the gods—to say nothing of mere mortals—for one of the objects of the exhibition was to donate all profits to the funds of the British Red Cross Society. No small amount of courage was called for to hold a fixture of such magnitude under the conditions prevailing at the present moment; unless everything proved propitious the possibility of monetary loss loomed unpleasantly in the background. Of mortals, the bird-loving fraternity played its part right well; but as for the gods—well, they just went copiously, practically the whole of the time! How it did rain, to be sure, poured on Thursday evening, fell steadily on Friday, and poured again on the Saturday, the "hissing touch," a sort of tropical cloudburst, being put on from 1 to 3 in the afternoon!

On top of this misfortune which meant the practical extinction of the "gate" and the chance of the show paying, it was found difficult to get much notice taken of the exhibition in the daily papers—their one and only acceptable topic is apparently the war—and this, of course, was the reverse of helpful in swelling the receipts for admission. A great pity, for it was an exhibition which deserved to draw half London, as the saying goes. We have never seen a better or more interesting collection of birds. The various sections are dealt with later, so we will content ourselves here with saying that the Foreign bird section itself was worth a long journey (and a wet one at that) to see—it was a sheer delight.

The Excellence of the Management.

The management of the show was admirable. Mr. John Tyson had been persuaded to step into the managerial shoes once again, and this led to the happiest possible results. He has forgotten more about shows and show management than the majority of us will ever have the opportunity of learning, and his experience ensured absolute smoothness of working. Although not in the best possible health, Mr. Tyson got through a tremendous amount of real hard labour—seemed here, there and everywhere, and to have every detail at his finger tips. The great success of the exhibition from the working side was a triumph for his powers of organisation. His son, Claude—a real "chip of the old block"—lent him very considerable assistance, and another invaluable and ungrudging worker was Mr. F. Knight. Mr. Knight was creditably associated with last year's show, and added to his laurels this—a more genial and capable helper would be difficult to discover. The much-respected president of the society, Mr. R. L. Crisp (recently christened, by the way, the "greatest bird fancier in the world") put everyone at their ease with his usual urbanity. His loss to the L.C.S.A. would be little short of a disaster, and we trust that the day is far distant when the cage bird fancy will lose its hold upon him, and the desire to put up a few pairs of birds will cease to exist.

Other workers who rendered most valuable service were Mr. and Mrs. Thynne, Miss Thynne, Miss Oliver, and Messrs. J. Bray (the popular hon. sec. of the L.C.S.A.), H. Smith, H. W. Cook, R. J. Pretty, T. L. Sayer, A. Wallington, G. Oliver, J. Franz, Paton, Penton, Wright (and son), A. Silver, Crust, and T. R. Trower. One or two visitors were also willing helpers, notably Messrs. D. A. S. Longden and S. J. Nicholas, of Swansea. The feeding of the exhibits was in very excellent hands. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke spent many hours amongst the insectivorous British birds, and hours of real hard work, too, whilst Mr. V. Wynn most ably looked after the fruit-eating and insectivorous Foreign birds, and Mrs. Thynne, the seed-eating species. The bulk of the remainder fell to the old campaigner, Mr. J. Dewhurst, and he, as ever, was unremitting in his attention to the wants of the birds. This

quartette of enthusiasts well earned the gratitude of exhibitors.

The exhibits were very nicely staged, and the magnificent hall looked at its best. It is unquestionably an ideal building in which to hold a cage bird show, and a nice, even, healthy temperature was maintained the whole of the time. The local birds, and there was a rare lot of them, were packed with remarkable promptitude on the Saturday evening, and the remainder left early on the Monday morning.

The show was one which reflects the greatest credit on the three promoting societies, for the National British Bird and Mule Club and the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League this year shared the financial side with the London Cage Bird Association. If there be a loss—well, it is a splendid thing to be able to say that they at least refused to be daunted by circumstances, and held their show in the hope of helping along the hobby they love. The Fancy at large rallied round the plucky promoters right well. The entry of close on 2,000 birds, under the circumstances, magnificent, and had there been, as in previous years, a Roller Canary section, there is little doubt that all past records would have been easily left in the rear.

Some Bargains for Someone.

The funds of the Red Cross Society will still benefit, for certain donations were made towards them, and they take the proceeds of certain birds sold by tender. The committee, further, have remaining other birds generously left to be sold. These include a Norwich cock Canary, a Song Thrush, a cock Blue-winged Lovo Bird, pair of Orange-cheeked Waxbills, and pair of Bengalese. The highest bid takes them. Send your offers, readers, to Mr. Tyson (169, Sloane Street, London, S.W.), and help on the good work. All are really splendid birds.

The sales office, owing, no doubt, largely to the depleted attendance, had a comparatively slack time, having to be content with less than half the sum which usually flows into its coffers—a sum of, as far as we could roughly calculate, from £90 to £100. We did not hear of any birds changing hands at high prices, but sales at sums of £1 to £4 were numerous. We understand that £15 was offered for two Yorkshires in the novice section, and this was declined.

We were sorry to discover that not a single white Canary was on view. What has become of exhibitors of this new and really beautiful variety? It was pleasant to see a few London Fancies, even though the birds were very far removed from the ideal that once obtained of this glory of hygone days.

What was the "best" bird in the show? We heard some interesting speculation indulged in concerning this. What a lucky thing (for them) the judges were not called on to decide the point! The two Humming Birds were rightly enough the outstanding and sensational birds, the admiration of everyone.

Could You Have Found the Pea?

The Crested Canaries were a grand lot, of wonderful excellence all round; but we heard a well-known breeder and judge say that Mr. Crawshaw's young yellow Norwich Plainhead was absolutely the model come to life—if so, what of Mr. Houghton's yellow, which won the diploma? While yet another noted fancier averred that Mr. H. H. Tower's young cinnamon-marked yellow was the finest Yorkshire ever seen—better than Jim Bailey's York cinnamon-mark of some seasons ago. Who could have picked the pea out of this little lot?

And how would you separate Messrs. Martin and Archer's clear Linnet Mule and Mr. Crone's Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid—two real masterpieces—for the supremacy of the Hybrid section?

We may say that we ourselves thought Dr. Wilson's winning Bullfinch just about the best British bird in the show. We do not remember ever to have seen one that pleased us more—and we say this with a vivid recollection of the wonderful Bullie

with which the great Job Williams used to smother all opposition some 15 years ago. There were those who questioned the nationality of Mr. Williams' champion (he was full size), but "doubting Thomases" can find no loophole in Dr. Williams' bird, one of the very best Bullfinches, on present form, that ever hopped into a show cage.

Out for an Airing!

We heard of no disqualifications, and similar unpleasant incidents, though no doubt the one or two exhibitors who had birds escape would classify this item as "unpleasant." We are certainly surprised that an experienced British bird exhibitor should use a show cage with a waterhole capacious enough to permit a hen Brambling to walk through it! She was a grand bird, and would have been well up in the prize list; but, as the judge said, "what would the other exhibitors have thought about it had I judged her when she was out in the hall?" We noticed several exhibits in the Redpoll, Siskin, etc., classes, which could quite easily have got out in a similar way. And tiny foreign birds seem always to be left loopholes of escape. When will exhibitors learn this lesson?

The judges, luckily, were favoured with a bright spell of weather whilst carrying out their far from easy duties, the deluge that did so much to wreck the prospects of the show holding off until late on the Thursday afternoon. This was doubly fortunate, seeing that the glass roof had had to be partially shaded (in accordance with the police regulations) in order to screen the electric light when in use at night. Good stewards were available—we noticed that several prominent provincial fanciers, including one or two from Wales, could not resist the temptation to "take off their coats" and join in the fray—and the awarding of the prizes was not unduly delayed despite the fact that the officials rightly waited the arrival of several packages of birds delayed in delivery.

We heard very little grumbling, indeed. This we take to indicate that the judges' awards were seldom far away from the bull's-eye, so to speak, and, further, to be distinctly complimentary to the several gentlemen who were officiating for the first time at a show of this magnitude. The judges were Messrs. H. D. Astley (For.), R. L. Crisp (Yorks), A. W. Curtis (Nor.), F. Easterling (Yorks), D. Jenkins (Bord.), A. J. Marley (Corks), C. Prior (Brit.), E. J. Rippon (Nor.), J. Robinson (Crests, Liz., Cinn., Hyb., Brit.), D. Seth-Smith (For.), A. Silver (Brit.), and R. J. Watts (For.).

Attractive Stalls.

In the centre of the hall Messrs. Trower and Co., the noted seed and bird-food merchants, had a very fine stall displaying the specialities of the firm. The grand quality of the seeds, etc., on view was the subject of approving comment from all who looked them over, while the foods for insectivorous birds (with the "Cecto" and "Softhly" mixtures in particular) met with equal appreciation. Messrs. Trower know exactly what the fancier wants and cater for his needs to a nicety and at reasonable prices (look up their advertisement in this issue). The grand condition of the birds reflected credit on the firm, for while at the show they were fed solely on Trower's seeds and soft-foods and not a sick or sorry specimen could be seen.

Another stall which attracted a deal of attention was that of Messrs. Baron and Co., where a fine lot of "Kozy Karriers" was on view. These splendid travelling cases have quite captured the fancy of exhibitors, and well they might, for the neat and novel material (vulcanised fibre) of which they are made is immensely strong, yet amazingly light, so that they save their cost in railway charges in a single season where much exhibiting is done. Exhibitors will find that the use of "Kozy Karriers" is good business. Messrs. Baron have something interesting to say to fanciers on page 251 this week.

Messrs. Hydes also had a stall, on which was a fine display of their packet seeds, Parrot foods, shell gravel, and other widely-known specialities, while

4, Howarth; he, Jones; c, Field. NOV. YORKS YELL (10): 1, Henderson and Crosby, neat, stylish, well-drawn cl., closely piped tail gets up well on legs; 2, Taylor, more col. and stouter in body, well balanced wings and tail, capital style; 3, Carran, long, nice and showy, nice col. and qual., wants tightening up in front; 4, Millett, nice length and style, not so neat in wings; vhc, Mitchell; he, Hallworth; c, Brierley. BUFF (14): 1, Appleton, long, shapely, stylish cl., nice head and shoulders, grand wings and tail; 2, Wright, mkd; eyes, neck and wing, neat and shapely, well piped tail, fine tapering body, nice qual., we liked; 3, Burke, neat, shapely, blk. on head, fine in feather, capital wings and tail, hardly so smart in the hand; 4, McTurk, smart, shapely, closely feathered cap mkl., nice col.; vhc, Warburton; he, Williams; c, Wilson. HEN YELL (15): 1, Williamson, lengthy and well necked, lovely col. and feather, plenty of nerve and swagger; 2, Mitchell, capital length, shape and style, more col., hardly so neat in feather; 3, he, Moore and Allman, slim, nice, finely drawn, not so rich in col., grand feather; 4, Brown, shapely, grand style, pake in col.; vhc, Williams; c, Appleton. BUFF (14): 1, Henderson and Crosby, grand racy cl., very fine silky feather, grand head and shoulders, splendid carr.; 2, Brown, neck tld., nice head and back, lovely wings and tail, hardly so fine in waist; 3, Williams, eye and wing mkd., rather more subs., but magnificently feathered, very showy; 4, Wilson, sweet slim cl., grandly braced wings and tail, full of style; vhc, McTurk; he, Taylor; c, Moore and Allman. UNFLIG (22): 1, 3, Buhner, cl. buff, plenty of length and style, grandly feathered, just a bit on the stout side; 3rd neck tld. yell., beautifully fine and close in feather, lovely col., grand shape and style, we liked better than 1st; 2, Drew, smart racy cl. yell., fine head and neck, well set shoulders, grand feather and col., stands well; 4, Millett, beautifully feathered stylish buff, not so lengthy; vhc, c, Wilson; he, Henderson and Crosby. NOR. YELL (7): 1, Wragg, real hot stuff, capital shape, deep chest and nice width of back, might be a bit shorter in tail; 2, Davies, shorter and more shapely, lovely col. and feather, but a bit slack in wing; 3, Lane, wing and head mkd., not quite so chubby, nice col. and feather; 4, Withheld; vhc, Spencer; he, Wharton; c, Garbutt. BUFF (9): 1, Wragg, nicely moulded head, stout deep chest, grandly feathered, sound rich col., very neat and smart; 2, 4, Cain, grand shape and style, lovely col. and qual., hardly so stout in head; 4th won't fully silky feather, grand body, fine in head; 3, Davies, eye, head and wing mkd., rich col., nice feather, but not so chubby and compact; vhc, Howarth; he, Chilton; c, Bruce. HEN YELL (7): 1, Wragg, heavily mkd. yell., splendidly modelled, beautiful col. and qual., easy win; 2, Chilton, grand shaped, well feathered cl., capital col., good wings and tail, a trifle browy; 3, Goring, eye, neck and wing mkd., grand col. and style, very shapely, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Withheld; vhc, Davies; he, Howarth; c, Bruce. BUFF (6): 1, Spencer, smart shapely neck and wing mkd., rare silky feather, very tight and compact, a bonnie hen; 2, Lane, cl., stylish, good col., hardly so smart in wing carr.; 3, 4, Withheld; vhc, Mitchell; he, Bruce; c, Cain. UNFLIG (13): 1, 3, Stuttard, stout, chubby buff, good head and neck, plenty of col., nicely feathered, shade long behind; 3rd rare shaped eye and wing mkd. yell., grand chest and back, lovely wings and tail, rare col. and qual., we liked much; 2, 4, Mitchell, very neat yell., grand shape, close, compact, silky feather; 4th nice body, not so stout in head, grand col. and qual.; vhc, Gaul; he, Cain; c, Chilton.

Mr. C. A. House's Classes.

BORD. YELL (9): 1, Nelson, grand cl., lovely feather and style, very neat head, well balanced wings and tail, in rare form; 2, 3, Rovic, neat body, splendid shoulders and back, nicely braced wings and tail, hardly so neat in head; 3rd, possibly the best of three, but was soiled and did not show to advantage; 4, Campbell, charming little bird, full of qual., had damaged its tail; vhc, Sampson; he, Beard; c, Philpot; No. 4, passed as fed. BUFF (11): 1, 2, G. Bennett, magnificent feather, neat head, grandly balanced wings and tail, smart and sprightly, very fit; 2nd, hardly so neat in head, grand shoulders, wings and tail, lovely silky feather, shows well; 3, Pennington, tld. head, hearty for feather and style, not quite so good in neck; 4, Sampson, grand head and back, rare feather; vhc, he, Hoddinott; c, Croft. HEN YELL (10): 1, Sampson, very neat, slim and stylish, fine shoulders, rare wings and tail, tight as wax, stands well up; 2, Espie, neater in head, but more chubby in body, beautifully feathered, full of style; 3, Meekley, slim racy body, grandly balanced wings and tail, trifle rough on cheeks; 4, Philpot, smart, stylish, shapely bird, rather soiled; vhc, Blackshaw; he, G. Bennett; c, Royle. BUFF (14): 1, 2, G. Bennett, a picture of a Border, full of grace and style, clothes fitting like a glove; 2nd, excellent shape and style, hardly so silky in feather, a bonny pair; 3, Blackshaw, grand head and wings, rare shape and style, nice qual., opens tail a bit; 4, Hoddson, capital shape and style, not quite so fine in feather; vhc, Heaton; he, Sampson; c, Philpot. VARIEG. CK. (15): 1, Pennington, grandly balanced eyes and wings, rare shape and style, beautifully fine in feather, four-ptd. buff; 2, McDougal, smart racy 4-pt. yell., neat head and shoulders, full of style and qual., had rubbed wing edges; 3, Garbutt, nicely mkd. 4-pt. buff, nice style of feather; 4, Harrison, varieg. yell., good shape, style and qual.; vhc, he, G. Bennett; c, Hoddinott. HEN (10): 1, Meekley, sweet little eye and wing buff, fine head and shoulders, closely braced wings and tail, grand style and feather; 2, Pennington, very typical and stylish 4-pt. yell., plenty of nerve, bit rough on cheeks; 3, Pape, shapely, fine feathered 4-pt. yell., grand qual., inclined to drop wings at times; 4, Green, 4-pt. buff, grand feather and style, not quite so slim; vhc, G. Bennett; he, Gentleman; c, Herring. GREEN YELL (16): 1, 2, he, sp., Middleton, wonderfully sound grassy green col., beautiful feather, wings and tail, very tightly braced, shows well; 2nd, if anything a trifle more shapely, very close silky feather, grand col., neat head, rare style, lost in tail; 3, Whitlow, grand shape and style, sound green col., but hardly so grassy, capital wings and tail; 4, Rekersley, very nice col. and style; vhc, Montgomery; c, Greenwell; No. 15, Colton, tld. headed yell., v.g. cl. BUFF (16): 1, Johnson, regular little picture, beautifully sound in col. and free from bronzing or smokiness, grand shape and style, full of qual.; 2, 2, Montgomery, very slim and racy, well braced wings and tail, neat head, hardly so grassy on back; 3rd, splendid shape, col. and style, excellent head and shoulders; 4, Middleton, stouter in body, grand col. and qual., very stylish; vhc, Greenwell; he, Affleck; c, Collier; No. 1, Postlethwaite, gr. Yorks, v.g. cl. HEN YELL (13): 1,

SALE SHOW.—Continued.

Johnson, very sweet and neat, fine head, rare shoulders and wings, finely piped tail, full of style, col. and qual.; 2, 3, Middleton, hardly so slim and racy, but rather richer in col., beautiful feather, rare style; 3rd, very close and silky in feather, neat head, wings and tail; 4, Campbell, smart and shapely, needs handling; vhc, e, Affleck; he, Gentleman; No. 1, Postlethwaite, Gr. Yorks, v.g. cl. BUFF (12): 1, Parker, grand shape and style, well braced wings and tail, lovely rich col., neat and tight in feather, nicely finished; 2, Johnson, splendid style and feather, capital wings and tail; 3, Montgomery, splendid shape and col., neat head and shoulders; 4, Middleton, very nice col. and feather; vhc, Greenwell; he, Whitlow; c, Affleck. CINN. CK. (9): 1, Gentleman, buff, magnificent col. and qual., neat head, rare wings and tail, quite stout enough, otherwise A1; 2, T. Smith, shapely, slim, well tapered yell., grand feather and col.; 3, Whitlow, neat bodied buff, stands up well, good head, back and wings, hardly so fine in feather; 4, he, Middleton, nice shapely yell., well balanced wings and tail; vhc, Croft; c, Higham. HEN (11): 1, Whitlow, charming yell., fine head, lovely wings and tail, sound col., silky and close in feather, full of style; 2, Croft, nice shapely buff, fine head and shoulders, well balanced wings and tail, nice feather and col.; 3, McDougal, rattling good yell. for shape and style, had frayed edges of wings; 4, Johnson, neat bodied yell., good feather, not so steady; vhc, Middleton; he, Nelson; c, Clare. BRIT. GOLDF. (15): 1, Brade, racy, rich deep blaze, nice cheeks, brilliant collar, lovely back and chest, grand bars and buttons; 2, sp. best 2nd member's Brit., Fairhurst, bolder blaze, more tanning on chest, lovely buttons, grand back, hardly so fit, needs time; 3, vhc, he, Davies, sound bright blaze, nice cheeks and collar, good back and chest, neat buttons, fails only in wing carr.; 4, Pitchford, capital col. and shape, good buttons and bars, not so tight in feather; c, Oldham. GREENF. (14): 1, Fletcher, wonderful size and feather, beautifully feathered, very rich col. and quite enough, rare wings and tail; 2, Clare, fine bold shapely bird, splendid back and chest, sound even col., capital wings and tail; 3, Brade, rather finer in feather, splendid rich green col., lovely wings and tail, hardly so steady; 4, Oldham, hold, showy, nice col.; vhc, Holt; he, J. Hurst; c, Broadbent. BULLF. ETC. (13): 1, Cottingham,

fine large bold Bramble, rich glossy col., beautifully spangled, grandly mkd., very steady, lovely feather; 2, Wilson, rare shaped Bullf., lovely deep cut glossy cap, sound bright breast, rare back and wings; 3, Hubbard, very shapely fine feathered Bullie, large deep cap, hardly so rich in breast col.; 4, Pitchford, Bramble, grandly mkd., rich col., nice feather; vhc, c, Oldham; he, Riley. LINNET, F.M. (14): 1, 4, c, Brade, bold chested, wonderfully fine in feather, beautifully mkd., plenty of col.; 4th, big, showy, grand feather and mks., not so much col.; 2, Simpson, magnificently mkd., rare head and back, beautiful breast, hardly so much col. as winner; 3, Stratford, very rich col., beautifully feathered, very steady; vhc, Parlett; he, Whitney and Son; H.M. (19): 1, 3, sp. best member's Brit., Oldham, real gem, superb rich nutty brown col., shining like satin, grandly mkd., steady as a Crow; 3rd, same beautiful silky feather and fine finish, capital breast, not so clear in back mks.; 2, Pitchford, bold and shapely, grandly mkd., beautiful tall and plump, not so rich in body col.; 4, Simpson, lovely feather and style, rich col., good breast; vhc, sp. best vhc Brit., Burke; he, Holt; c, Brado; one of the finest classes of Linnets we have seen for a long time. LESSER REDPOLL (11): 1, 4, Oldham, shapely, beautifully laced breast, silky, tight fitting coat, steady, nice col.; 4th, slashing shape and size, well mkd., heaps of col., lovely caught; 2, Siddall, smartly mkd., nice col., lovely feather, hardly so steady when handled; 3, Davies, fine bold fresh caught bird, beautifully marked, grand col. and shape, very steady; vhc, J. Hurst; he, Barnett; c, Simpson. MEALY, ETC. (15): 1, Daley, fine bouncing non-fed Siskin, grand cap, beautifully feathered, very steady, splendid wings and tail; 2, Booth and Hampson, bold fronted Mealy, grandly marked, beautiful col. and feather, very steady; 3, Kay, sweet Siskin, grandly marked, feathered to perfection, nice wings and tail; 4, Oldham, Twite, very rich col., grandly mkd., nice feather, rather wild; vhc, Gentleman; he, Sidden; c, Parlett. HEN FINCH (7): 1, Cottingham, beautifully mkd., rich col. Yellow Bunting, plenty of size, grand wings and tail, very showy; 2, c, Gentleman, pretty Siskin, plenty of size, nice shape, well mkd., tightly feathered; 3, Broadbent, well mkd. Chaffinch, feathered like a Java, very steady; 4, Withheld; vhc, Whitney and Son; he, Holt. A.O. HARDBILL (5): 1, Wilson, magnificent Meadow Bunting, superb feathering, beautiful col., grand head and back, almost perfection; 3, Fair-

hurst, larger, good coloured, well marked Hawfinch, had rubbed his tail; 2, 4, Withheld; vhc, Gentleman; he, c, Johnson. SOFTBILL (5): 1, Hemmings, one of the richest coloured and best mkd. Thrushes we have seen for a long time, lovely feather, shape, size; 2, 3, 4, withheld; vhc, Jennings; he, Colton; c, Bent. SELLS, 12s. 6d. (3): 1, Gentleman; 2, Groom; 3, 4, withheld; vhc, Johnson; he, Hoddson; c, Hemmings. MULES, LIGHT and Can-Bull (7): 1, sp. best member's Mule, and best member's bird, Oldham, very large, rich coloured yell. Gold-Can., mkd. eyes, wings and tail, in lovely form; 2, Johnson, very tight silky feathered Can-Bullf., rich col., well mkd., rather small, superbly shown; 3, Wilson, long, raking Can-Bullf., plenty of col., but not so neatly feathered or so compact in shape; 4, Withheld; vhc, Hubbard; he, Daley. DK. YELL (14): 1, Whitney and Son, fine large Greenf., fine feather, rich level col., very steady, beautiful wings and tail; 2, vhc, he, Oldham, bold shapely Siskin-Can., grandly mkd., full of col. and qual., a little swell; 3, Cooper, Linnet-Can., very warm in col., full of qual., nicely mkd., not very steady; 4, c, Booth and Hampson, good shapely sound col. stylish Greenf-Can. DK. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, he, Oldham, very pretty Siskin-Can., rare shape and size, grandly mkd., lovely silky feather, plenty of col.; 2nd, slashing Greenf-Can., plenty of size, grandly feathered, very steady; 3rd, good Greenf.; 4, Fairhurst, well mkd., Linnet-Can., rather wild; vhc, Morgan; No. 3, Brough, varieg., v.g. cl. BRIT. HYB. (13): 1, Booth and Hampson, Bramble-Chaffinch, fine feather, nicely mkd., good col., steady, and shows well; 2, Brade, magnificently feathered Greenf-Bullf., rare shape, rich even col., a perfect show bird; 3, Wilson, Greenf-Chaff., slashing big bird, grand col. and feather, takes more after the Greenie; 4, he, Oldham, prettily mkd. rich col. Linnet-Bullf.; vhc, c, Hubbard. FOJL. SMALL (5): 1, vhc, he, Hubbard, magnificent pair of Pin-tailed Nonpareils, superb col. and mks., in the pink; 2, Whitney and Son, fine large deep chested Bullf., rare col., splendid back and bars; 3, Colton, smart little Wax-bill, lovely col. and feather; 4, with held; c, Jennings.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Lice which kill all insects. Harmless to everything else.

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The Horticultural Hall Show.



Miss A. B. Smyth's Bourke's Parakeet. Mr. W. J. C. Frost's Peters' Spotted-sided Finch.

Mr. A. Ezra's Humming Birds, the sensational beauties of the show; the Garnet-throated Carib (left), and Ricordi's Humming Bird.

Mr. A. Silver's Japanese Hawfinch. Lady Kathleen Pilkington's Black-cheeked Tanager.

CAGE BIRDS occupied its usual position near the entrance, where a selection of our coloured plates attracted much attention and our practical books for bird-keepers found many purchasers anxious to avail themselves of the knowledge and good advice packed between their covers.

THE YORKSHIRE CANARIES.

The Yorkshire section, as usual, was a big feature, and the devotees of the slim ones were constantly in attendance upon them. The entry in all classes was good, the novice unfledged heading the poll with twenty-eight good specimens. The merit all through has never been better, but the yell, and buff hen classes were without doubt the pick of the basket. In these two classes it was difficult to find an indifferent specimen, and so even were they that if one took the winner and compared it with the last in the cards, the difference in many cases was scarcely perceptible. The yell cocks class was a good one, Messrs. Ogden leading with a clinker, but there was little to choose between the three leaders. The buff cocks were a very fine lot, Messrs. Hawes Bros.' grand bird leading well, but one could look down the class and see winners in almost every cage. The same firm led in yell hens, just missing the coveted place in the buffs. Mr. Power's unfledged Cinnamon marked yell, won well in the unfledged class; it is certainly a charming specimen. The novice section contained some exceptionally good examples, particularly the birds put down by Miss Bowyer, she fairly romped home in buff cocks, buff hens, and unfledged yell, and buff classes, and it is just on the cards that she might have annexed the same prizes in the champion section, had the birds been entered there. It was a big triumph for a lady exhibitor.

Greens were grand, with a wonderful truthness to type, and even tone of col. Mr. G. A. Metcalfe, of Liverpool, kindly guaranteed the classes, and staged the winner in two of the four classes, and the second prize in every class. These birds have never been quite so popular as the clears down south, although we frequently noticed visitors looking them over rather closely.

Mr. F. Easterling's Classes.

YORKS. YELL. CK. (16): 1, Ogden Bros., wonderful length, beautifully proportioned, gets well up on perch, showing plenty of leg, full feathered, nicely rounded, tip top cond.; 2, Dykes, grand lengthy bird, slim type, scarcely so nicely rounded as winner, good shoulders and back, tightly braced wings, lovely silky close fitting plumage; 3, Green, grand size, wonderful length of wing, good pos. and style, shade better in head than 2nd, good shoulders and back, fine fettle; 4, G. Crawhall, real Yorkie, of nice style and pos., hot col., inclined to

cross wings, but good length; 5, Plumb; 7, Towers, a real beauty, in the best of condition, some thought a good 4th. BUFF (21): 1, Haines Bros., plenty of size, grand length of flights, nicely rounded throughout, good pos. and style, clear cut, on good legs, well put down; 2, Knight, real Yorks. build, slim type, grand length, beautifully balanced, shade loose in wings, well filled back, good shoulders, clear cut to a pipe tail, in the pink; 3, Crawhall, grand size and style, nicely moulded, long, closely fitting wings, hardly so clean cut as winners, but nice pos., grand qual.; 4, Jones, paler col., but good stamp, well balanced, wonderful pos., clean cut, very fine qual., well put down, must have pressed; 5, Ogden Bros.; 6, Parker; 7, Dykes. CINN. OR GREEN MKD. (11): 1, Cundy, very fine cinn. mkd., beautifully balanced, and moulded throughout, nicely cut away, on good legs, capital length of flights, tightly packed, grand col. and qual.; 2, Knight, green mkd., shade longer, hardly so nicely cut away, grand length of wing, good shoulders and back, in fine fettle; 3, Green, yell cinn. mkd., hardly the length of winners, but a real Yorks., of grand qual., good head, shoulders and back, capital wings, good col.; 4, Crawhall, buff mkd., fine length, good pos. and style, capital head, nicely rounded throughout, good wings; 5, Towers; 6, Forse; 7, Kent. YELL HENS (16): 1, Hawes Bros., really a charmer, beautiful shape and pos., feathered like wax, neatest of wings and tail, splendid length, and stands on the best of legs, staged in A1 form, and wins; 2, Dykes, grand length and style, nicely balanced and rounded, tightly fitting wings of good length, in the pink; 3, Ogden Bros., wee shade shorter in body, good length of wing, nicely braced and packed, capital pos., well moulded throughout, good qual. feather and cond.; 4, Hodgson, good length, grand pos. and style, clean cut, good back and wings, A1 cond.; 5, Green; 6, Fulford; 7, Towers. BUFF (19): 1, G. Ogden Bros., charming lady, hardly put down at her best, beautifully balanced and moulded throughout, good head, back and wings, capital shoulders, nice silky qual. feather; 2, 5, Hawes Bros., slim type, smart and clean cut, scarcely so well filled in at back, but grand shoulders, tightly braced wings, grand qual. and bloom; 3, Crawhall, hot col., plenty of size, good pos. and style, capital length of wing and leg, good shoulders and back; 4, Dyke, beautifully balanced and moulded, good head, back and wings, clean cut, bit pale in col., but boxy feather and cond., must have pressed; 7, Hodgson. UNFLIG. YELL. (18): 1, Towers, wing mkd., wonderful length, slim, yet nicely filled in, beautifully cut away, well up on leg, good pos., capital head, shoulders and wings, A1 qual., a real model; 2, Tindale, hardly the length of winner, but beautifully moulded, grand length of wing, tightly packed and braced, nicely cut away to a good tail, capital cond.; 3, Clarke, hardly the length and a shade paler in col.,

but capital type and nicely rounded, grand length of wing, well braced, very fine qual. feather; 4, Cook, wing mkd., slim breedy type, shade on the small side, good pos. and style, well up on leg; 5, Frost and Roger, a real good one, grand size and length, beautifully balanced, perfect wing carr., boxy feather, might have gone up; 6, Ogden Bros.; 7, Clarke. BUFF (14): 1, Dykes, var., grand size and length, good head, back and wings, nicely moulded throughout, clean cut, well up on leg, in the pink; 2, Benson and Young, bird of wonderful size, hardly so cleanly cut as winner, but grand length of wing, good legs, capital pos. and style, in very fine order; 3, Hodgson, wing mkd., lovely type, inclined to frill, but beautifully cut away, on splendid legs, good back and wings, tightly braced and packed, best of cond., must have pressed; 4, 7, Clarke, typical, hardly so tight in wings but nicely moulded and filled in, good head, in the pink; 5, Ogden Bros.

Mr. R. L. Crisp's Classes.

NOV. YORKS. YELL. CK. (19): 1, Haines and Son, real good one, grand length and style, smooth front, well filled back, wings well packed and braced and of good length, hot col., A1 qual.; 2, Cooke, capital length, smart and clean cut, well up on legs, nicely filled in all round, good wings and tail, grand cond.; 3, Sanders, lengthy, scarcely so clean cut as winners, but good pos. and style, nice length of wing, tightly packed, well up on leg; 4, Killick, hot col., beautifully moulded all round, capital head and neck, good shoulders and back, nice length of wing, A1 qual.; 5, Castell; 6, Thomas; 7, Johnston. BUFF (21): 1, Miss Bowyer, very lengthy and typical, clean cut and nicely moulded, good head, wings and tail, best possible cond., a charming exhibit; 2, Andrews, shade bigger, lovely qual. capital shoulders and back, good length of wings, cleanly cut away, wonderful qual., not far behind; 3, Killick, wing tkd., fine length of body, scarcely so cleanly cut as winner, good head, shoulders and back, tightly braced wings, grand qual.; 4, Farmer, very nice head, tkd., somewhat smaller but capital type and style, good pos., nice qual.; 5, Johnson; 6, Deer; 7, Wright. MKD. (10): 1, Aulman, grand yell., wing and eye mkd., wonderful length, cleanly cut away, grand shoulders, good closely packed wings, sound depth of col., A1 qual.; 2, Walker, very fine buff, somewhat smaller, but lovely type and style, perfect head, good shoulders and back, nice length of wing, neat tail, grand qual.; 3, Culver, very hot col. yell., good Yorks. type, best of wing carr., nicely rounded throughout, clean cut, A1 qual. of feather; 4, Haines and Son, hardly the condition of winners, but typical and smart, good length of wing, A1 order; 5, Carpenter; 6, Bell; 7, Taylor. YELL. HEN (17): 1, Sanders, typical and fine length, good style, clearly cut away, capital head, shoulders and back, wings tightly braced, sound cond.; 2, Bamber,

somewhat longer, but hardly so cleanly cut, good hit of shoulder, nicely moulded throughout, capital wings and tail, tightly packed plumage; 3, Bousfield, good type and length, scarcely the high qual. and condition of winners, nice length of wing and well up on leg; 4, Wright, wing and cheek mkd., good type, shade small, but all quality, cleanly cut on good legs; 5, Miss Bowyer; 6, Aulman; 7, Johnston. BUFF (25): 1, Miss Bowyer, shade on the small side, but all good, wonderful type and style, capital head, shoulders and back, tightly packed wings, clean cut, fine cond.; 2, Parker, another beauty, close up, fine length and nicely moulded, clean up on good sound legs, rare qual. of feather; 3, Cooke, wonderful size for a lady, grand length, of wing, good sound col., scarcely so clean cut, but nicely moulded, neat head, capital shoulders; 4, Haines and Son, lengthy cheek mkd., smart and clean cut, good head, shoulders and back, wings well packed, fine qual.; 5, Aulman; 6, Walker; 7, Carpenter. UNFLIG. YELL. (28): 1, Miss Bowyer, grand youngster, beautifully typical, lengthy and stylish, clean cut, good shoulders and wings, well up on leg, in grand order; 2, Potter, wee shade longer, hotter col., but scarcely the polish of winner, nicely moulded and packed, fine length of wing, good legs, neat head and neck, not far behind; 3, Haines and Son, fine cinn. mkd., hardly the finish, but wonderful type and style, good shoulders and wings, cleanly cut, A1 cond.; 4, Sanders, grand length, good pos. and style, neat head, well filled back and front, wings well braced, A1 qual.; 5, 7, Cooke; 6, Higgins. BUFF (20): 1, Miss Bowyer, grand length and type, neat head and neck, good shoulders, back and wings, cleanly cut and stylish, hot col., fine qual.; 2, Hawkins, typical and stylish, scarcely the length of winner, but capital wings and legs, cleanly cut, in fine fettle; 3, Sanders, very fine cap mkd., capital length, nicely moulded throughout, good shoulders, back and wings, neat tail, sound cond.; 4, Aulman, somewhat smaller and slim in type, but quite a Yorkie, grand back and wings, well up on leg, rare qual.; 5, Carpenter; 6, Wright; 7, Taylor. LIMIT. \$9s. (17): 1, 5, 7, Asers; 2, 4, Green; 3, Hawes Bros.; 6, Brown and Pressey. GREEN YELL. (9): 1, Jones, fine length and type, good head, shoulders and wings, stands well, sound rich col., evenly distributed, in fine fettle; 2, 4, Metcalfe, another beauty, capital length and style, good shoulders, tightly braced wings, correct col. and distinctly pencilled, 4th magnificent length, grand type, good head, back and wings, scarcely so rich col. as winner, but still a good bird, in fine fettle; 3, 6, Skilling, foul tail, capital type and style, inclined to cross wings at times, well up on leg, rich level col., well mkd.; 5, Handley; 7, Benson and Young. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 6, Metcalfe, wonderful team, leader a topper for Yorks. properties, grand length, good

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shoulders and back and a good head, very fine col., with exceptionally distinct pencilling, 2nd close up, long and stylish, grand wings, neat tail, very fine qual. feathers, good tone of col. evenly distributed; 8, Huddle, good one, typical, capital length of wing, nicely cut away to a good tail, capital shoulders, young in col. and well pencilled; 4, Henson and Young, quite a soldier for pos., capital length, good head, very fine col. and qual.; 5, 7, Skilling, YELL. HEN (9): 1, 2, 4, Metcalfe, good trio, very smart, stylish hen leading, good length, nicely drawn and rounded, well braced wings, col. of correct tone, and well distributed, lovely qual., 2nd not far behind, grand length, quite a Yorkie for style, nice bright col. and beautifully pencilled, in the pink of cond., 4th exceptional length, beautifully rounded and cut away, tightly packed wings, good shoulders, very fine tone of col.; 3, Skilling, capital length, nicely rounded, with good shoulders and back, capital wings, rich col. and pencilling; 5, Huddle; 6, Jones; 7, Henson and Young. BUFF (10): 1, Benson and Young, long and racy, neat head and neck, well up in shoulder, line length of wings, neatly carried, rich deep col., in the pink; 2, 3, 5, Metcalfe 2nd beautifully moulded, good back and wings, capital legs and good pos., rich col., in fine fettle. 3rd a wonder for length, yet nicely moulded, grand back and wings, the correct shade of col., beautifully pencilled, capital cond.; 4, 7, Abbott, slim type, foul flank and tail, good head, nice shoulders, capital wings, good col., capital qual.; 6, Huddle.

The members' Yorks. classes contained as usual some exceptionally fine specimens, such well-known exhibitors as Messrs. Hawes Bros., Knight, Ayers, Tobbs, Buckingham, etc., putting down some real good ones. Great interest was centred in the unlighted class, in which Mr. Ayers scored a success, thus winning the cup for best unlighted bird.

MEMBERS' CHAMP. YELL. CK. (1): Ayers; 2, 5, Hawes Bros.; 3, Buckingham; 4, Bousfield; 6, 7, Knight. BUFF (1): Ayers; 2, Hawes Bros.; 3, Hall; 4, 5, Bousfield; 6, Neal. MARKED: 1, 4, Knight; 2, 3, 5, Hawes Bros.; 5, Hall; 6, Smith. YELL. HEN: 1, 5, Knight; 2, 4, Hawes Bros.; 3, 6, Ayers; 7, Cook. BUFF (1): 1, 4, Hawes Bros.; 2, Buckingham; 3, Ayers; 5, 7, Knight; 6, Hall. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 4, Ayers; 2, Hawes Bros.; 3, Buckingham; 5, Knight; 6, Dewhurst; 7, Hall. BUFF (1): 2, 3, Hawes Bros.; 4, 5, Hall; 6, Knight; 7, Knight. AMAT. CK. (1): 1, Mugford. UNFLIG.: 1, Mugford. NOV.: 1, Taylor and Wright; 2, Johnston. HEN: 1, Johnston; 2, 3, Taylor and Wright. UNFLIG.: 1, Johnston; 2, Taylor and Wright.

THE NORWICH PLAINHEADS. Norwich were well up to the average, some of the best yellows we have ever seen being put down, and it was a treat to notice how well most of the birds were staged. Some very fine specimens were shown by Messrs. Houghton, Crawshaw, Jones, Hodder, Barker, and Thomas, in fact the cream of the fancy were on view; we greatly admired Mr. Crawshaw's unlighted yellow, a gem of the first water, and as near the ideal as any bird we have seen, indeed it was greatly admired by many. The novice, too, came up in force, and staged really good specimens; in several instances some of the birds could have held their own in the open. On the whole it was a grand show of Norwich. There were many good birds in members' champions, and some of them would have run winners in the open very hard.

Mr. E. J. Rippon's Classes.

OPEN, CL. YELL. (16): 1, sp, Houghton, massive build, full bold head, red hot col.; 2, 5, Irons, good shape, well cut away, hardly the size of leader; 3, 4, Saunders, champions, leader rather the stouter of the two, very pleasing exhibits; 6, Hirst; 7, Thomas. BUFF (15): 1, Houghton, neat all through, well fitted back, good wings, very close feather of the best texture; 2, Saunders, very shapely, splendid outline, hardly the bold chest of leader, but close run; 3, Pilcher, rattling good one, true wedge shape, well covered body and wings, silkist of feather; 4, 6, Ellis, nice ones, shown in fine form; 5, Hodder, regular model, richest qual., plumage fitting closely on body, good wings and tail, blaze of col. like a peacen; 7, Baker, fine shape and carr. TKD. ETC., YELL. (11): 1, Thomas, head tkd. line frame, neatly shaped head, very fine body shape, stands right across, pleasing exhibit; 2, Crawshaw, mkd. eyes and wings, similar build, grand texture of feather, short and compact, very close up; 3, Houghton, neat shape, rather on small side; 4, Baker, real Norwich all through, shown in the pink; 5, 6, Hodder, latter very cobby shape, rich qual. and col., fine cond.; 7, Cook. BUFF (17): 1, 5, Crawshaw, one of those which take the eye, all there for type, qual., and col., shown in grand form, wins; 2, Thomas, good round back and deep chest, very nice bird, pressed hard; 3, Houghton, well-known winner, in grand cond.; 4, Baker, very neat and useful, pressed hard for third place; 6, Rowley, more size, but not so fine in qual., or rich in col. as some; 7, Hodder, big bold bird with fine head, shown in fine fettle, excellent class all through. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Thomas, wonderful size and col. for a hen, bit horned on head, won no doubt for size and col.; 2, Gunnell, not so much size or col., but very fine shape and qual. of feather, claimed at catalogue price, £3 5s.; 3, Crawshaw, most useful hen, very short, well across perch, in grand show form, charming bird; 4, 5, Griffin, leader, unflig., all to be desired for shape and qual., should be heard of another year; 5, good one, very natty, and well shown; 6, Byne; 7, Ellis. BUFF (20): 1, Noyce, real beauty, sweetly moulded head, nicely clothed body, with feather of fine texture, one of the best we have seen for some time; 2, Baker, bold front, round back, well across perch, very smart, well shown; 3, Thomas, similar in build, but not so large as leader, nevertheless a hen to be proud of; 4, Sears, very sprightly, useful for breeding, hardly so large as leaders; 5, Taylor, fine style and carr.; 6, Harris; 7, Litchfield. UNFLIG. YELL. (14): 1, 2, 4, Crawshaw, one of the grandest yellows we have ever seen, all to be desired, and as near the perfect bird as anything one could imagine, wins easily; 2, nice shape, very fine texture of feather, but fails subs. to leader; 4, lovely bird, will make up into a good one; 3, Litchfield, well rounded head, good shape, tight fitting jacket, hardly so large perhaps; 5, Hodder, one of the cobbiest, sweet head, well moulded throughout, will be heard of again; 6, Baker; 7, Frost and Rogers, a very strong class. BUFF (16): 1, Silk, size and shape all there, lovely feather, could do with little more chest perhaps, but a nice bird; 2, Crawshaw, varieg., shape and style of the best, very pleasing; 3, Baker, same stamp, not much to choose, very smart; 4, Hirst, grizzle tailed, wedge shape, nice bold front, good carr.; 5, Ellis, nice feather and frosting, rather shimmer in build; 6, Griffin; 7, Taylor. MEMB. CHAMP. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 2, Hodder, leader head tkd., one of the cobbiest, true wedge shape, grand

qual. and col.; 2, clear, beaming with qual., nice sound col., falls only to leader in depth of chest; 3, 6, Withers, well-known winner, thick-set, grand col., and qual., good 3rd.; 4, Baker, sweet bird, Norwich all over. BUFF (4): 1, Houghton, regular sterner, deep, broad chest; wide back; 2, Hodder, great size, grand shape and feather, falls only in col. to leader; 3, Baker, lovely exhibit, true shape, grand cond.; 4, Withers. HENS (5): 1, Houghton, grand hen, wonderful size, lovely feather; 2, Hodder, very short body, wings, and tail, feather of the best, splendid cond.; 3, Withers, another good one, very useful; 4, Baker, rich qual., good front, well cut away. UNFLIG. (6): 1, 2, Houghton, true wedge shape, grand feather, with little better head would be a sterner; 2, shorter in body, shown in the pink; 3, 5, Hodder, good, full, round head, short body, wings, and tail, good qual. and col.; 4, Baker, red hot col., splendid shape, lacks subs. to leaders, but nice bird.

Mr. A. W. Curtis's Classes.

OPEN NOV. NOR. YELL. CL. OR TKD. (16): 1, Heald, one of the cobbiest, well across perch, stands well, good bird; 2, 5, Burt, very smart, former very large and typical, good bold front, deserves its place; 5, hardly so large, but very useful; 3, Brown and Prosser, lovely qual., good, sound col., hardly so stout in build as leaders; 4, 6, Cole, leader, has wonderful frame, grand back and chest; 6, hardly so large; 7, Leech, another big one, right across perch. BUFF (18): 1, Leech, one of the most typical, neat all through, a bird we like much; 2, Heald, another sweet bird, hardly the subs. perhaps, but very nice shape; 3, 5, Burt, leader one of the cobby sort, takes the eye at once, lovely feather and mealing; 5, good one, of the two the largest, grand feather; 6, Cooper; 7, Trevallion. MKD., ETC. (4): 1, Dossert, cap mkd. yell., rattling good bird, shape all there, nice qual. of feather; 2, 6, Lacochee, larger, leader, but hardly so good in feather, most useful stock bird; 3, Leech, teeming with qual., put down in grand form; 4, Cole, one of the right stamp, most useful; 5, Jay; 7, Hewitt. HENS A.V. (25): 1, Hewitt, buff, very stout build, close feather, clean cut away, smart hen; 2, Lacochee, mkd. yell., grand back, full chest, very useful in any stud; 3, 4, Cannon, built on right lines, shows well, pleasing hen; 4, nice one, hardly the compactness perhaps; 5, Williams; 6, Dumbelton; 7, Leech, one of the best in class as we saw it. UNFLIG. YELL. (12): 1, Mrs. Stopher, grandly moulded, finest texture of feather, should make good one; 2, Leese, best of shape and style, looking little soft when we saw it; 3, Smith, nice exhibit, well shown, hardly so short as leaders, but good outline; 4, Tomsett, all there for style and qual., lacks little in subs. to leaders, but will improve; 5, Shirley; 6, Cole; 7, Leech. BUFF (20): 1, Bailey, real wedge shape, slips one claw, but a very smart youngster, and deserves its place; 2, Buxton, pleasing appearance, nice carr. and style; 3, Gardner, tight as a Java, sound col. and lovely qual., good 3rd.; 4, 7, Dr. Weeks, leader, one of the cobbiest, teeming with qual., col. of the best; 5, Smith; 6, Trevallion. LIMIT, 30s. (15): 1, Smith; 2, Gunnell; 3, Titchener; 4, Harris; 5, Silk; 6, Leese; 7, Martin. MEMB. AMAT. CK. (3): 1, Thurlay; 2, 3, Thurlay. HEN (5): 1, 5, Offord; 2, 4, Thursty; 3, Thursty. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 5, Thursty; 2, 3, Thursty; 4, 7, Offord; 6, Goymer. NOV. CK. (2): 1, 2, Brumbridge. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Brumbridge. UNFLIG. (4): 1, 3, 4, Brumbridge; 2, Goymer.

THE BORDER FANCIES.

Judge, Mr. D. Jenkins.

The Border classes filled exceptionally well, and quality was much in evidence. The majority of the exhibitors were southern men, very few of the north country enthusiasts venturing to send their birds the long journey, and those that did were not annexing all the plums, as in previous years. The southern exhibits are advancing, and doing it rapidly. The yellow cocks were a fine, typical lot, the leaders being quite high class. We thought the buffs scarcely so good as a whole, although a few good ones caught the judge's eye. The two classes of hens were very charming, and envious eyes were cast upon more than one of them. It was here that the winner of the special for best bird in the show was found, and we heartily congratulate Messrs. Burton Bros. upon securing the coveted honour; the brothers have done much for the "wee gems" in the south, and deserve all they win.

As usual, the novice classes contained some real good ones, and we particularly noticed the birds put down by Messrs. Preece, Kybert, Mugford, Last and Heslop. The addition of a separate class for hens was quite a success, as it contained more than either of the other classes. Just a word of warning to southern breeders. They must be more careful in their pairing. The majority of the exhibits were certainly on the small side; a five and a half inch bird is not a midget. Mr. Jenkins' awards gave general satisfaction.

BORD. YELL. CK. (18): 1, 4, Pratts, nice size, good head and neck, nicely moulded back and front, well braced wings, good carr. and style, in the pink; 4th, another beauty, excellent type and style, good head and wings, nice jaunty movement, clean cut to a good tail, but scarcely the high finish of winner; 2, Mrs. Thynne, nicely modelled, good size, neat head, well braced and packed flights, clean cut, nicely rounded, fine cond.; 3, Wilson, somewhat smaller, but a beauty for type, splendidly balanced, on good legs, A1 wing car., best of cond.; 5, Harry; 6, Elston; 7, Espie. BUFF (20): 1, Wilson, nice rich col., well balanced and moulded, not the best of heads, but splendid wings, capitally packed and braced, full of qual. and put down to time; 2, Espie, full size, fine type, good head, back, and wings, neat tail, nicely packed all round, cleanly cut away, beaten only in col.; 3, Madagan, scarcely so beautifully moulded as winners, good head and well placed flights, clean cut, very fine qual. feather, grand cond.; 4, Mrs. Thynne, well balanced, but a rather heavy neck, which spoils the contour, grand wings, well drawn, A1 cond.; 5, Gentleman; 6, Murrion; 7, Burton Bros. YELL. HEN: 1, Burton

Bros., not a big one, but charming for type and style, good head, capital wings and tail, nicely moulded throughout, A1 col. and qual.; 2, Pratt, scarcely the col. of winner, but nicely drawn and moulded, lovely head and neck, tightly packed wings, rare qual. of feather, in the pink of cond.; 3, Blackie, nice example, moves beautifully, alert manner, typical, good back and wings, sound qual.; 4, Espie, check tkd., good stamp, lovely head, wings scarcely so nicely braced as winner, but A1 cond.; 5, Mrs. Salter; 6, Sayer; 7, Philpot. BUFF (1): 1, Pratt, lovely lady, slim type, free, jaunty movement, on clever legs, beautifully moulded, in the pink; 2, Espie, beauty for type and qual., neat head, nice curve from chin to root of tail, capital wings, fine qual. of feather; 3, Burton, lovely type and style, just a shade small, good head, tightly braced wings, neat tail, well cut away, line qual.; 4, Harry, typical, just a suspicion of heaviness at waist, but grand wings and tail, A1 cond.; 5, Claydon; 6, Madagan; 7, Harry. EVEN MKD. (9): 1, 3, Nicholson, very nice buff leading, capital type and style, good even eye and wing markings, neat tail, very line qual. feather, 3rd, another buff, rather heavily mkd., but nicely balanced, close fitting wings, clean cut, capital cond.; 4, Orton, very nice yell., typical and smart, neat head and neck, good wings, very good in marking and lovely qual. UNEVEN (20): 1, 4, Nicholson, beautiful four-pointed Cinn. mkd., fine size, excellent type, neat head, good, well braced wings, nicely moulded throughout, clean cut, in the pink, 4th, lovely three-pointed yell., grand type and style, good head, beautifully moulded, A1 wings and tail, very fine cond.; 2, Beard, slim, typical, three-pointed, nicely rounded and cut away, good head and back, tightly fitting wings, grand qual. feather, in fine fettle; 3, Pratt, Frizzle wing buff, nice type and qual., good head, neat wings and tail, sound cond.; 5, Burton Bros.; 6, Elston; 7, Large. CINN. (18): 1, 3, 4, 6, Wilson, very fine col., good head, shade weak in neck, but otherwise beautifully rounded, grandly braced wings, clean cut away, very fine cond., 3rd, slim, stylish yell., lovely type, free and jaunty, nice head, smart wing car., very fine qual. and col., 4th, grand buff, lovely Border type, beautifully rounded all through, clean cut, A1 wing car., fine, even tone of col.; 2, Whitelaw, beautifully modelled buff, very typical and free in movement, good head and wings, sound, rich col., evenly distributed, in the pink; 5, Gentleman; 7, Hamilton. GREEN CK. (15): 1, Campbell, lovely type and style, neat head, grand back and wings, smartly braced, clean cut, very sound, rich col., wealth of pencilling; 2, 6, Bacon, very jaunty and free in style, capital head and wings, clean cut, richly col., in fine fettle; 3, Hamilton, grand bird of nice size, beautifully rounded wings, tightly packed and braced, rich, sound ground col., splendidly pencilled; 4, 7, Middleton, good bird, although a wee bit heavy, capital head and wing, grand col.; 5, Goymer. HEN (18): 1, 7, Middleton, beautifully balanced and moulded, grand head, wings tightly packed, sound, rich, evenly distributed col., in the pink; 2, Blackie, hardly the sweet type of winner, although a marvel for col., bright and level, splendidly pencilled, very fine qual. of feather; 3, Whitelaw, very fine buff, beautifully moulded throughout, nice head, grand wing car., free movement, A1 col. and qual.; 4, Gentleman, slim type, yet nicely rounded wings, well packed and braced, cleanly cut, rich col., best of qual.; 5, Campbell; 6, Orton. NOV. YELL. CK. (18): 1, Kybert, beautifully moulded, nice size, neat head, well filled back and front, splendid wing car., clean cut and smart in movement, good sound col. and qual.; 2, Mugford, another nice one, very typical and free in movement, neat head and wings, clean cut, capital qual. of feathers, nicely put down; 3, Hine, slim build, capital col., nice head, smart in wing car., clean cut, sound cond.; 4, Last, good wing mkd., sweetly typical, good head, back, and wings, clean cut, nice style, A1 cond.; 5, Pegg; 6, Heslop; 7, Joplin. BUFF (14): 1, Preece, quite the correct type, beautifully rounded, neat head, good, tightly fitting wings, clean cut to a good tail sound cond., rare qual. of feather; 2, Last, scarcely so nice in type, nor so good in head, but capital back and wings, good tail, very fine qual.; 3, Pegg, cleanly cut, capital type and style, moves nicely, good head and wings, smart tail, good qual. feather; 4, 5, Hutchinson, very fine, typical, but hardly the polish of winners, neat head, good wings and tail, very good style; 6, Hine; 7, Martin. HEN (21): 1, Preece, one of the best hens in the show, smart and typical, good head, back and wings, nicely moulded, grand qual. and cond.; 2, Heslop, beauty, very little between them, scarcely the col., but lovely style and movement, grand head and wing, A1 cond.; 3, Pegg, rather small yell. and quite high wings, grand cond.; 4, Humphries, another that might be a shade larger, but quite nice in type and style, good wing car., very fine qual.; 5, Joplin; 6, Last; 7, Martin.

A.O. CANARY CLASSES.

Judge, Mr. J. Robson.

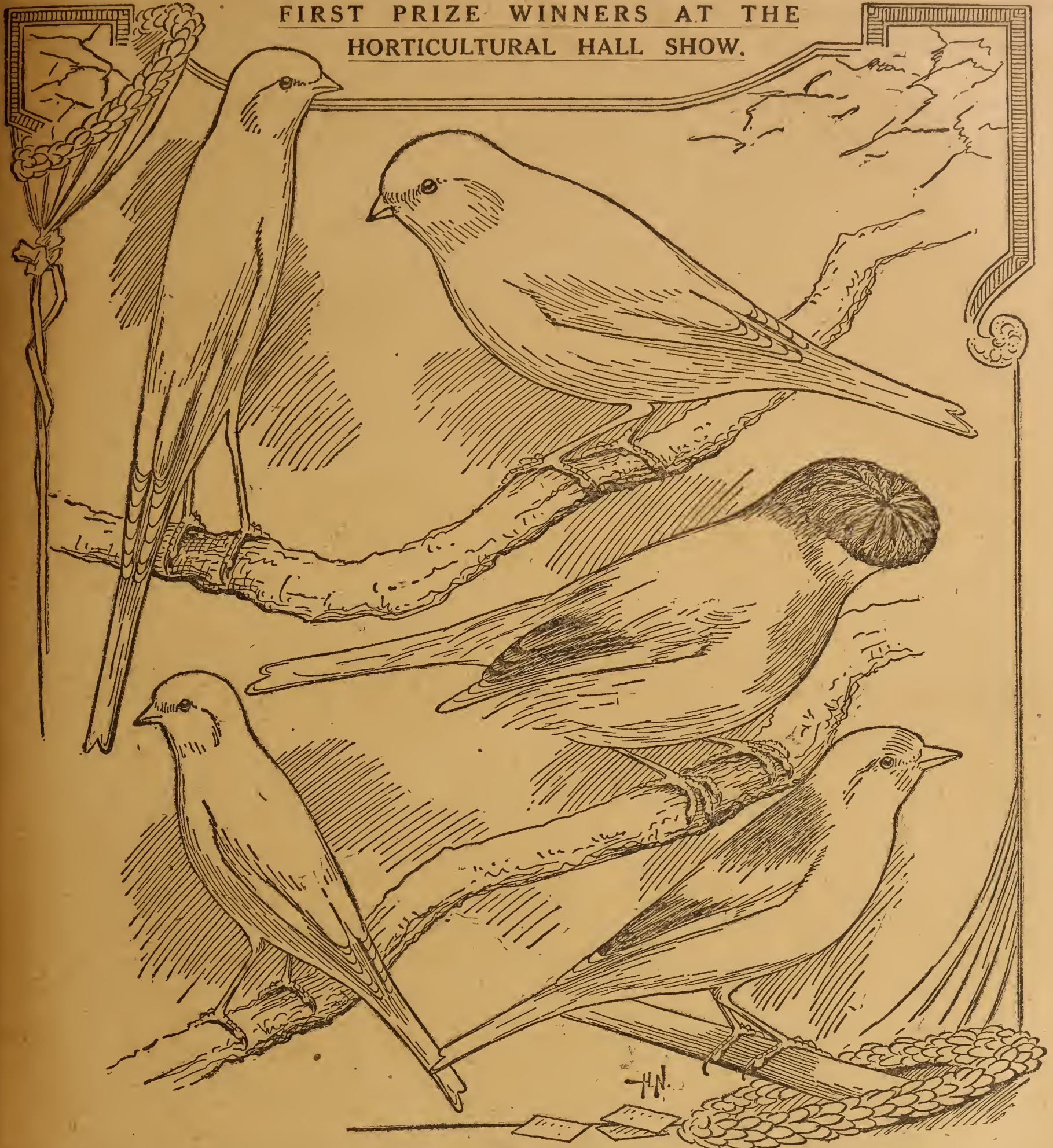
Crests and crested birds were an unusually level lot, there being such a well balanced array of quality that it must have set the judge a puzzler more than once. There was a noticeable prevalence of good bodied birds, and in the case of the crests toilet attentions were cleverly and correctly displayed in the majority of cases. In Yellow Crests there was quite a leap in numbers to what we used to see only a few years ago, when the general lament was that their star was waning. In Crest Breds some marvellous birds were staged, and there was quantity as well as quality. 1914 Crests and Crest Breds were of very high promise. On the whole we were well pleased with such a level lot. Novice open classes contained some few smart birds; and the Limit classes had many bargains. In Cinnamons entries were almost at freezing point, but the quality of the few that were shown was good. The variety class contained a right good specimen of the Cinnamon Crest, and several good Frills, as well as a Scottie and a Bel-

It is a pity that southern men do not take to the charming Lizards. There was displayed quite a feast for lovers of spangles, and yet few fanciers appeared to be interested in them. The gathering was a good one, and birds of the very highest merit were on view. All the champion exhibitors supported the show, and each class had a fair number of entries. We have always hugely admired the Silvers, and were pleased to see the winner of diploma for best bird turn up in this class, Mr. Hamer's lovely clear cap doing the trick. The bird is as near perfection as one could wish; full of quality and smothered with the most charming spangling. Spl. for best Gold went to the same owner's broken cap, a fine bird, with a wealth of work on him.

LANCS. COPPY YELL. (2): 1, sp, 2, Fitton, former cl., massive frame, nice headpiece, hardly so long in front as 2nd, a grizzle, but better back and closer lay, both grand fronted. BUFF (6): 1, 6, Green, former very full top, good size, rare shaped copy; 6, a grizzle, not the size or density of copy, and more spare in body; 2, 5, Jameson, about as much difference in point of merit as between the 1st and 6th, but we liked the 2nd very much, one of the old massive sort, grand top, and in every respect a good one, a grizzle; 3, Fitton, cl., sweet shaped copy, beautiful finish, must have run the others close; 4, Minty, very dense copy, long frontal, good centre, rather Norwich at back. PLAINHEAD, YELL. (3): 1, sp, 2, Green, tkd. on right eye and neck, very nice shape, stands well; 2, not so long in body, but good subs., nice feather and head; 3, Minty, stands across a little, good in feather, nice colour. BUFF (6): 1, sp, 3, Fitton, winner, massive body, head, grand lashing, good position and dense head feather; 3, grand head, not the length of body or position; 2, Minty, grand position, close feather, not quite the headpiece of winner; 4, 5, Green, 4 nice head, thick body, not quite the position; 6, Crab, good body, just a trifle short. BUFF CREST CK. (15): 1, Dobson, well-known varieg., just a few pens from the centre, nicely posted, good frontal, and centre, veiny feather; 2, Smith, not d. cl. body, last year's CAGB Buds Championship Palace winner, in grand form; 3, 7, Bale, cl. body, with dark tail, exceedingly dense coloured crest, massive frontal, somewhat marred by two or three feathers standing up from the centre; 4, a good grizzle; 4, 6, Evins Bros., former varieg., not the finish of crest, and fails a trifle in length of sides; 6, a grand broken green, wins well; 5, Wallace, more shapely if hairy crest, lovely droop and well put down, evenly mkd.; No. 1 in this class, a grand broken green, a trifle twisted, would pay for close attention. HENS (14): 1, 2, sp, 7, Radley and Sons, evenly mkd., grand frontal, veiny crest, well filled centre and sides, close lay, and nice droop; 7, heavily varieg., not so massive, not so nice in back crest, good centre, and radiation; 2, Smith, varieg., beautiful class of crest feather, leafy, nice vein, well filled in centre, droops grandly, full of qual.; 3, MacLay, broken gr., very long frontal, good centre and droop; 4, Bale, heavily varieg. crest trifle thin, nice veiny feather and good centre; 5, King, very long frontal, varieg., just fails at side, on the small side in body; 6, Miss Onslow, one dark feather in tail, smaller, falls side, nice centre. C.B. CK. (14): 1, sp, 3, Bale, massive bodied varieg., really a Pullinch-shaped body, grand skull, nice dome and beautifully browed, dense head feather; 3, varieg., similar in body, but hardly so massive in head; 2, sp, Evins Bros., truly grand head, just fails to win a little at entrance, else a close race; 4, Gale, varieg., not so wide in skull, or so dense and dome shaped, nicely lashed; 5, Smith, grand size, varieg., heavy back skull, long turnover, wide head feather; 6, King, very big body, not so dense as one above it; 7, Miss Onslow, massive, wide head, fails in density of head feather. HEN: 1, Smith, broken gr., L. and P.O.S. winner, in grand fettle; 2, Bewick, nice shaped skull, trifle narrow at entrance, dense head feather; 3, Brotherton, heavily varieg., dense back skull feather, cushioned head, not so wide at entrance, or so long in turnback as winner, must have run 2nd close; 4, Bale, broken gr., grand head, might be more even in lashing; 5, Dobson, cl., good one, nicely lashed; 6, Evins Bros., nearly gr., grand head, rare qual., seemed to have rather hard lines, wonderful entrance; 7, Miss Onslow, broken gr., nice skull, good length of head feather. CREST CK., YELL. (11): Crested yellows are evidently on the up grade, eleven of 'em: 1, sp, 8, King, good centre, long frontal, well filled at sides, grand body, a good one; 6, broken gr., should do well in the stock cage; 2, 5, Evins Bros., former even wings, good centre and radiation; 2, very smart, rare length of sides of crest; 3, Bewick, broken gr., grand frontal, very shapely crest, a rattling good one; 4, Franz, grey crest, grizzled wings, good length of crest feather, a large crest for a yellow; 7, Broad. C.B. CK. (12): 1, sp, Smith, broken gr., dome shaped skull, wide entrance, longer turnover than many buffs, a grand bird of splendid qual.; 2, 3, Evins Bros., former varieg., not quite so wide at entrance, splendid lashing, good length of head feather; 3, broken gr., not quite so stout in body, or so full in lashing, also a good one; 4, Franz, bit spare in head feather, good bodied varieg., not yet at its best; 5, Mrs. Litchfield, right good bird, nicely lashed, grand qual., a good cl.; 6, Brotherton, varieg., good head, nice length of feather; 7, Watcham, cl., wide head, nice qual. C. HEN (12): 1, Franz, grizzle crest, nicely centred, good length of frontal, nice droop, right good bird, might be a bit stouter in body; 2, Evins Bros., dark and mkd. on left wing, beautiful body for a yell., crest a trifle thin, and a great deal in pen feathers; 3, Smith, long frontal, trifle irregular back, dense crest feather, a nice one, runs 2nd close; 4, White, dark, even wings, nice frontal, but smaller; 5, Wallace, nice, but on small side; 6, King, shield shaped crest, rather open centre; 7, Mrs. Litchfield, similar shaped crest, neat body. HEN (6): 1, Smith, oval head, great length of head feather, fairly wide entrance; 2, 3, King, both var., former has the pull in all respects, both good; 4, Franz, bit too slim in body, and fine in head, broken gr.; 5, Broad, varieg., loses in skull, nice body; 6, Watcham, needs more width of head feather. BUFF CRESTS, 1914 (12): 1, 2, sp, Barker, splendid frontal, sides, and back, nice vein, probably a hen, even wings, beautiful centre and droop, a front ranker; 2, Smith, broken gr., immense frontal, sides and back good, rattling good bird, close to the winner; 3, 4, Evins, two good varieg., correctly placed, very promising; 5, Bewick, cl. body, D.C., dense vein, a hen, trifle short in frontal; 6, Edwards, a smart bird, nice all round crest; 7, King, long frontal, good centre, might have gone up a peg or two. C.B. (17): 1, 2, sp, 3, Bale, gem of the first water, varieg., wonderful skull, looked none too robust; 3, good, but paler beside the first; 2, Miss Onslow, broken gr., wonderful body, wide head and entrance, a good one; 4, Radley and Sons, lovely oval skull, good lashing, rare body and qual. of feather, we

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liked; 5, Bewick, varieg., nice lashing; 6, MacLay, grand lashing, nice length of head feather, met with hard lines; 7, Gale, nice qual. OPEN NOV. CREST (11): 1, 2 spls, Shepherd, broken gr., centre well placed, crest nicely radiated, and of good size and droop; 2, 3, Mayhew, broken gr., trifle hoined left side, good frontal and droop; 3, lightly varieg. crest, smaller and trifle open at sides, nice vein; 4, cl. body, D.C., neat crest, good body; 5, Ward, grey crest, not so nice at back, good body; 6, 7, Rhodes, former yell., latter buff, good birds. C.B. (6): 1, sp, Shepherd, good body, noble head, wide entrance, and well lashed; 2, sp, Rhodes, varieg. yell., stout body, just a trifle weak at entrance, nice lashing and turn back; 3, Classey, big body, fails a little at entrance; 4, Ward, good body, trifle thin head feather. CRESTS, LIMIT £3 (23): 1, Radley and Sons, good varieg., nice vein and centre, cheap; 2, Guy, cl. body, nice head and good length of crest feather, quickly sold; 3, Mills, varieg., long frontal, trifle narrow at sides, good body, also claimed; 4,

Miss Onslow, good body, rather shield shaped; 5, Palmer, varieg., small centre, but good bird and cheap; 6, Peters, cl. body D.C.; 7, Jacklin, varieg. C.B., £2 (11): 1, Radley and Sons, broken gr., a very cheap bird, good head and entrance; 2, Bennett, broken gr., good body, very similar to 1st; 3, Palmer, cl., good skull; 4, Miss Onslow, varieg., good body, nice head; 5, Read, broken gr.; 6, Jenner, varieg., wide head and back skull; 7, Bloomfield. CINNAMONS, SELFS (8): 1, sp, 4, 6, Bentley, winner a rare hot buff, splendid body, nice head and burnishing, grand tone and qual. of feather; 4, yell., sound and hot in col., very glossy in feather, sound throat; 6, yell., not quite so sound in col., very hot; 2 sp, 5, Mrs. Tweedle, bonny yell., grand body, level col., nice head, good front, a good one; 5, buff, another spanking bodied bird, not quite so pure in col.; 3, Bevan, lovely buff, hardly so good in head, but pure in cinny col.; 7, Hart, buff, hardly so rich or sound in col., fails bit on head, and in burnishing. A.O.V. CAN. (9): 1, sp, Gilbert,

foul tailed cinn. crest, grand body, nicely radiated crest of good length, width, and centre; 2, 6, Brooks, Dutch frills, both grand specimens of the variety; 3, Steel, bonny buff Scots Fancy, shows the breed points valiantly; 5, Holliday, Belgian, as solitary but as brave as Scottie; 7, Filby, London Fancy. Members' Champion Section made a grand display, some high-class quality being staged. The members of the L.C.B.A., usually make a brave show in crests and crest bred, and this year was no exception to the rule, with the champions especially, although the amateurs did not show up to such advantage. MEMBERS, CHAMP. CRESTS (9): 1, Howard; 2, Franz; 3, 7, Smith; 4, Watcham; 5, Mrs. Thynne; 6, Shepherd. C.B. (11): 1, Shepherd; 2, Broad; 3, 6, Franz; 4, Tyson; 5, Turner; 7, Mrs. Thynne. CREST OR C.B., 1914 (10): 1, 6, Shepherd; 2, 7, Turner; 3, Broad; 4, Smith; 5, Slade. AMAT. CRESTS: 1, 2, Wallington. C.B.: 1, Wallington. CREST OR C.B., 1914: 1, 2, Pettit; 3, Wallington.

LIZARD, GOLD, CL. CAP (10): 1, Rukin, nice size and sbape, capital, broad, cleanly cut cap, even, distinct spangling, black wings and tail, good beak and legs, sound col.; 2, 3, Hamer, another beauty, lovely depth of col., good cap, even, full spangling, plenty of body work, grand qual. feather, 3rd, hardly so cleanly cut in cap, even and distinct spangling, good wings and tail, fine cond.; 4, 6, Hampshire, beauty for depth of ground col., nice broad, even cap, grandly spangled, good rich wings, A1 qual.; 5, Barnes; 7, Green and Son. BROKEN (9): 1, 7, Hamer, a grand bird, patched capped, but fine size and beautifully moulded, spangled to the eye, fine, distinct back, good wings, sound, rich col.; 2, Bradley, slightly broken in cap, but nice size and shape, large, even spangling, good black wings, rich ground col., fine qual.; 3, Rukin, nearly a cl. cap, fine size and type, full of work of good qual., grand back and wing, sound col., A1 cond.; 4, Hampshire, heavily broken cap, nice size, very shapely, plenty of work, hardly so neat down centre of back as some,

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Mill, a good one, fine qual.; 5, 6, Barnes. SILVER CAP (9): 1, 2, Hamer, fine bold bird, grandly moulded and filled, good broad skull, even cap, full of rich, bold work, grand wings and tail, sound col., 2nd, another beauty, hardly so clean cut in cap as winner, but very richly spangled, on very fine ground col., good wings, Al qual. feather; 3, Hampshire, grand bird, fine broad skull and expansive cap, richly spangled throughout, capital wings, line qual.; 4, 5, Bradley, hardly so evenly spangled as winner, but bold, good wings and tail, sound body col.; 6, Barnes; 7, Green and Son. BROKEN (11): 1, Hamer, grand bird, nearly self, but with a wealth of work, back spangled bold, even, and distinct, on a good rich ground col., perfect wings, sound qual. and cond.; 2, 6, Hampshire, patch capped, very heavily spangled, plenty of body work, good wings and tail, sound, rich ground col., line cond.; 3, Bradley, shapely, good size, even, distinct body and back work, sound rich col., good wings; 4, Millington, dark faced, scarcely so big, but very shapely and distinctly spangled, on sound rich col., line qual. feather; 5, Green and Son; 7, Barnes. GOLD HEN (10): 1, 2, Inklin, broken cap leading, line size and shape, good bold body work and richly spangled neck, good secondaries and flights, sound col., 2nd, clear cap, lovely qual., wealth of spangling, nicely distributed, good wings, sound rich col.; 3, 5, Bradley, nice broken cap, shade small, but good shape and line bold work, capital wings and tail, Al cond.; 4, 7, Barnes, patch cap, line size and shape, we liked quite as well, spangling a shade more even and distinct, good col. and qual.; 5, Hampshire. SILVER (9): 1, 3, Rukin, almost a self, line size and shape, good work on both body and back, fine black wings and tail, sound rich ground col., line qual. feather, 3, lovely cl. cap, neatly cut, back spangling even and distinct, good wings, sound, rich col. throughout, plenty of body work; 2, Reid, nearly self, shapely, line size, richly spangled throughout, fine black wings and tail, sound under col., fine cond.; 4, Bradley, rather large cap, good shape, capital wings and tail, boldly spangled, Al qual.; 5, Inklin; 7, Hampshire. AGED, A.V. (6): 1, Hamer, rather over-capped Silver, line size and shape, wealth of distinct work, good wings for an aged bird, sound, rich under col., very fine qual. and cond.; 2, Barnes, fine big cl. capped Gold, splendidly spangled on body and back, good wings and tail, sound rich col., rare rattle; 3, 4, Hampshire, very fine cl. cap Silver leading, plenty of work, back even and bold, good col. and qual.; 4, fine cl. cap Gold, shapely, grand back, even work, good body, fine wings and tail, sound col.; 5, Bradley; 6, Barnes.

OPEN SELLING, 80s. (25): 1, Grey; 2, F. Knight; 3, 7, Ayers; 4, Watcham; 5, Stevens; 6, Hodder. DO, 20s. (27): 1, Bentley; 2, Grey; 3, Pileher; 4, Hawes Bros.; 5, Barker; 6, Stevens; 7, Ayers. EXTRA STOCK YORKS. (11): 1, Crockett; 2, 5, Bonniwell and Sons; 3, 6, 7, Goldsmith; 4, Hon. Mrs. Bourke. NOR. (23): 1, Cole; 2, Saunders; 3, 5, 7, Thursley; 4, Dalton; 6, Tomsett. CREST (12): 1, 2, 5, 6, Palmer; 3, Bennett; 4, 7, Slade. A.O.V. (7): 1, Saunders; 2, Ramsden; 3, Mrs. Askew; 4, Shipton; 5, Pearce; 6, Miss Bland; 7, Hon. Mrs. Bourke.

THE HYBRID CLASSES.

Judge—Mr. J. Robson.

The Hybrid section was one of the features of the show, all the noted cracks throwing down the gauntlet, consequently a battle royal took place for premier position, many of the exhibits being so nearly equal that the judge must have had great difficulty in separating them. Messrs. Martin and Archer's light Linnet Mule, "Perfection," aptly named, carried off spl. for best light Hybrid. We have never before seen him in such exquisite condition. The same owner's Green-Chaffinch Hybrid carried off spl. for 2nd best Dark Hybrid. Spl. best Dk. Hybrid was won by Mr. J. Coone's Bullfinch, another gem of the first water. The wonderful breast col. this bird carries is an eye-opener, and he stood clear away from the other Dk. Can-Bullies. A notable exhibit in this class was Mr. Parlett's light Can-Bullie, which stood 2nd, a really grand bird of true Bullfinch type, with wonderful eyes, as large as a Robin's. Mr. Lawrence won spl. for second best Light with a lovely cl. Goldie-Can., and amongst other notable exhibits we must not forget to mention Mr. McQuiston's Dk. Jonque Goldie, a real marvel for col., as also were this exhibitor's Green-Can. and Linnet-Can. Hybrids. Pairs matched for Hybrid breeding were rather disappointing, both in numbers and quality.

CL. TKD., ETC. H.V.B. (4): 1, sp, Martin and Archer, well-known Linnet Can., "Perfection," well named, a real gem, looking better than ever; 2, sp, Lawrence, cl. Goldie-Can., good size and shape, lovely feather, in Al order; 3, S. Jones, jun., eye mkd. Goldie-Can., lovely shape and qual., grand size, we understand found a new owner at cat. price, 44 4s., and cheap, too; 4, Lamb, Goldie-Can., grand polish, hardly as large as leaders. UNEVEN OR LIGHTLY VAR. (9): 1, Martin and Archer, head and wing mkd. Goldie, a real beauty; grand blaze, exquisite shape, nice slze, perfect cond.; 2, Lamb, grand Goldie, eye and saddle mkd., beautifully moulded, not a feather out of place, grand size; 3, Lawrence, Linnet Can., practically an even bird, but under N.B.B. and M.C. rules competes here, a real topper, best of shape and qual.; 4, Martin and Archer, grizzled mkd. Green-Can. (many wondered which was the correct class for it, as by the wording of schedule it could have competed in either this or preceding class), well known, looking his best to-day; 5, Gilbert, buff Goldie-Can., grand size and shape, nice feather; 6, Gunnell, yell., wing and tail mkd. Goldie-Can., wonderful col., grand size for a yell., nice blaze, a trifle loose in feather when we saw him; 7, Hart, Green-Can., mkd. both checks, very shapely, grand order, trifle smaller than leader. HEAVILY VAR. (9): 1, J. and F. Bowler, Jonque Goldie-Can., a blaze of col., grand size and shape, beautiful qual. and cond.; 2, Lamb, Linnet-Can., close up, grand frater, perfect shape and cond.; 3, Inman, buff Goldie, well put down, nicely proportioned, boxy feather; 4, McQuiston, Jonque Goldie, very shapely, rich col., fine size and cond.; 5, Andrews, Goldie, nice col. and qual., hardly as large as leaders; 6, Carter, buff Goldie, very shapely, lovely feather and cond.; 7, Inman, Goldie, neat exhibit, trifle frilled in front. D.K. GOLDF. (13): 1, McQuiston, grand jonque, nice shape, sound rich col., well proportioned, Al order; 2, Crone, topping jonque, grand body, lovey col. and qual., little to choose between them; 3, Lark, very shapely, grand size and qual., hardly as 7-h. col. as leaders; 4, Lawrence, buff, grand size and shape, nicely mealed, lovely order; 5, F. and T. Bowler, buff, nice col. and qual., good blaze, hardly subs. of leaders; 6, Rees, very neat, we her quite a baby, should make a really good one later; 7, Dr. Wilson, nice size, very shapely, loses in col. LINNET (7): 1, McQuiston, real gem, wonder for size and shape, blaze of col., grand exhibit; 2, Crone, best of shape and qual., hardly as rich in col. as leader; 3, Martin and

Archer, beautifully moulded, nice size and cond.; 4, Rees, good size and shape, full of qual., well put down; 5, Dr. Wilson, trifle smaller, nicely moulded, grand shape and qual.; 6, Lawrence, buff clinn., very neat, perfect feather and cond.; 7, Lamb, very neat, nice col. and qual. GREENE. (11): 1, Parlett, well-known jonque, capital size and shape, nice col., still many thought rather fortunate to beat; 2, 3, McQuiston, two grand exhibits, put down in perfect order, the latter a wonderful jonque, grand eubs., perfectly moulded, might have won and nobody grumble; 4, Lawrence, jonque, wonderfully improved, grand size, perfect shape, col. and cond.; 5, Casemore, buff, neat and shapely, loses subs to leaders; 6, Wilcox and Sons, again on the small side, nicely feathered; 7, Dr. Wilson, neat exhibit, rather wild when handled. SISKIN, ETC. (17): 1, Andrews, lovely jonque Siskin-Can., real topper, nice clear col., good eye and wing mks., perfect shape and feather; 2, McQuiston, equally good Twite-Can., perfect feather, lovely shape and cond.; 3, Goodall, neat Redpoll-Can., nice size and shape, shows parentage well, in grand order; 4, Crone, Siskin-Can., nice size and shape, good mks., hardly as clear in col. as leader; 5, Ford, Mealy Redpoll-Can., a regular bouncer, well laced, in Al order; 6, Miss Bousfield, Redpoll-Can., very shapely, nice qual. and cond., hardly as rich col. as third; 7, Buckingham, Redpoll-Can., very shapely, nice order. BULF. H.V.B. (9): 1, sp, Crone, well-known Canary-Bullf., grand size and shape, wonderful col. and qual., seems to keep on improving; 2, Parlett, the noted "White Rose," nearly cl. Canary-Bullf., good size, perfect Pullinch shape, grand col., staged to perfection, much admired; 3, Gilbert, Green-Bullf., nice size, perfectly moulded, exquisite feather and cond.; 4, Dr. Wilson, Canary-Bullf., lovely feather and cond., grand shape, hardly as large as winners; 5, Howick, Canary-Bullf., very neat, lovely shape, col., and qual., again loses subs.; 6, Crone, Redpoll-Bullf., lovely exhibit, shows parentage well, perfect feather and cond.; 7, Lamb, Green-Bullf., very shapely, lovely qual., hardly subs. enough. A.O.V. (11): 1, sp, Martin and Archer, Green-Chaffinch, well known, lovely shape and qual., shown to perfection; 2, Lamb, very neat Gold-Siskin, charming exhibit shows parentage well; 3, Gilbert, Bramble-Chaffinch, nice size, well spangled, whites in wings showing parentage plainly; 4, Lamb, Green-Chaff., beautiful exhibit, lovely col., qual., and shape, perhaps hardly the subs. of winner, still a real gem; 5, Mullens, Siskin-Greenf., lovely qual. and cond., showing parentage plainly; 6, Lawrence, Redpoll-Siskin, very neat, grand col. and qual., its size against it amongst such company; 7, Smith, Bramble-Chaff., loses subs to third; wrong class No. 11. PAIRS FOR BREEDING (4): 1, 3, Wren, 1 Goldf. and Bullf., 3 Redpoll and Chaffinch; 2, Offord, Chaffinch and Bramble; 4, Hobden, Twite and Norwich.

THE BRITISH BIRDS.

The British bird section, it is pleasing to record, was a distinct advance on anything previously seen at this Hall; and not only were the classes throughout very well filled, but the quality was exceptionally high, most of the best specimens of the season meeting in competition. Possibly the hottest class amongst the Hardbills was that devoted to the Greenfinches. It is but the simple truth to say that any one out of the seven birds which got "got in the cards" could win at meet shows. The judges' predilection for natural-coloured birds led to some good "red-hot luns" (too over-hot, some said) taking a back seat. There was nothing at all startling in the Goldfinch class, but the winning Bullfinch was the admiration of all beholders. Other outstanding specimens were Mr. Lloyd-James's Yellow Bunting, Mr. Marley's Corn Bunting, and Mr. Cottingham's hen Hawfinch, while Mr. McQuiston's two Linnets excelled their competitors to an extraordinary extent in depth and solidity of colour and display of white in the wings. The Small Insectivorous classes were, as usual, a feature of great interest, more than one exhibit securing for the second and even third time at this show 1st prize in its class. The Hon. Mrs. Bourke's splendid Nightingale won 1st in 1909, and although five years older he has again repeated his victory, and looks none the worse for his years of captivity; Mr. Frostick's Dartford Warbler, one of the smallest British birds, has competed at this show for the past three years, and has secured the highest honours on each occasion, and yet another instance we believe is Mr. Tout's Yellow Wagtail, which looks as near perfection as one could wish. These instances should set the faddists thinking, when they seek to condemn the keeping of birds in cages. A Reed Warbler is not often seen on the show bench, although comparatively numerous in suitable localities, but a beautiful specimen was here shown by Mr. R. C. Tout. It is also not often one finds four Black Redstarts out of an entry of seven, or the pretty little Treecreepers having to go as far down the list as 5th and 6th, whilst only a few years back they were considered pretty well cast-iron "certs." The class for Tits, Nuthatch, and Bearded Redlings produced an entry of 33, of which 12 were present, consisting of four varieties of Tits, and two Nuthatches. It would have added to the interest if the rare Crested Tit and the Common Great Tit and Blue Tit had been represented. We missed the usual array of Choughs, Magpies, and Jays, only one Chough putting in an appearance. The Pied Albino, etc., class, was not so well filled as usual, but some of the specimens were very pretty, the yellow Yellowhammer of Messrs. Martin and Archer well deserving its place at the head of the class, and the 3rd prize Goldfinch is a very pretty little fellow.

The Lark and Pipit class was good in quality and variety, five species being represented in a class of 8 exhibits, including the Rock Pipit, a rarer bird, but not so taking as the Tree or Meadow Pipit. Mr. Lott's Skylark had rather an easy win this time, for the Skylarks were poorly represented in numbers; possibly the fact of Skylarks having to compete with the Pipits may have had some influence in the entry. The Novice Section struck us as a great improvement in quality over last year. The Goldfinch, 1st, and Bullfinch, 2nd, being quite good enough for the open class, both being specimens of great merit. We were sorry to see a good Goldfinch entered in the class for A.O.S. Finch or Bunting, as it stood with a "Wg. Cl." ticket instead of probably gaining a prize in the right class. The Hawfinch also looked good enough for the open class in any moderate competition. The winning Linnet we liked very much, also the Chaffinch 3rd prize, a very rich coloured bird. Mr. Hepwood's Chough and Mrs. Askew's Thrush are also worthy of special notice, both being in Al condition.

Messrs. Prior and Silver's Classes.

Mr. C. Prior judged Greenfinches and alternate classes. Mr. A. Silver the remainder. GREENE. (23 of them) reached a very high standard of merit, the winner, J. W. Ford, being a buff of magnificent size and type, sound in col., and solid in feather, a fine bold-headed bird, in the pink of cond.; 2, H. James, again a buff, shade smaller than leader, yet quite big, richer tone of col., lovely silver grey wings, in perfect trim; 3, Francis, big bounding nat. col. yell., golden wing flights well

displayed, just short of finish by comparison only; 4, Fairhurst, col. fed yell., lovely qual. and fine polish; 5, Francis, good all-round hull; 6, Lawrence; 7, Gentleman, both nice headed yellows, perhaps too hotly fed, latter seemingly a trifle unwell. HAWFINCHES (14) were particularly fine, indeed, better than we remember seeing here yet: 1, Camm, a real wonder in contrasts of colouring, beautiful blue neck and rich nutty back, large shapely bib, perfectly clean cut, and densely black, sound head col., plenty of size, polished, and shown to perfection; 2, Sykes, big bird of the "barrel" type, hardly at his best yet, nice clean cut bib, rather pale on forehead, very steady and stylish, and doubtless assisted to his position by these latter qualities; 3, Caunt, grand size and rare bib, splendid back col., trifle faulty in wing carr.; 4, Axe, lovely col. throughout, smaller bib; 5, Oliver, very fine, bold, close feathered specimen, trifle cloudy in col., and not perfectly steaded yet, will do better; 6, Marley; 7, Parlett. GOLDF. (24): Both in numbers and quality these restored the L.C.B.A. traditions in a single leap after last year's comparative lapse: 1, Cottingham, a bonnie Goldie, blaze of exceptional purity and richest crimson col., which may possibly soon become too dark, carried well past the eyes and nicely down in front, though not over wide, and free from all suspicion of guttering, beautifully tanned breast and solid chestnut back, perfectly buttoned wings, and best of condition, clear win; 2, Fairhurst, thoroughly typical show Britisher, which with another bird of the size would be about the ideal, wonderfully brilliant square-cut blaze, of the correct pattern, nicely lanced and buttoned, but failing a little in these points to the winner, fascinating quality of feather and polish; 3, Stephens, holdout in size of the three, and equal to either in body points, large expansive blaze of good level col., could do with a little more style; 4, Bowler, equal to any in silkiness of feather and col., exceptionally well buttoned wings, lovely bloom, rather small and not enough blaze; 5, Burr, quite the correct type, perfect body feather, good large square blaze, which is not quite up, trifle bare round eyes; 6, H. James, nicely coned body, good wide face; 7, Maxwell, lovely type, grand square face, left down by comparative poverty of feather. LESSER REDPOLLS (25) presented a problem which so impressed the judge that he generously awarded four extra 7ths: 1, Miss Bousfield, chubby type, quite medium size, and rather pale col., prettily pencilled, lovely qual. of feather, fine bloom, not much bib, good wide skull; 2, Heal, more size than the winner, and richer col., falls to him in head, however, beautifully laced flanks, perfect trim; 3, Jeffreys, still bolder and beautifully mkd., very fine bib and polish; 4, Rees, delightfully steady, great all-round qual.; 5, Dr. Wilson, remarkable head and breast col., very perfectly trained and shown; 6, J. W. Ford; 7, Marley; ex. 7, McQuiston, Lloyd James, Handley, all real good. SISKIN, MEALY REDPOLL, AND TWITE (17): Only three Siskins turned up: 1, Francis, Mealy Redpoll, an all-round clinker, much more stylish than the average Mealy, plenty of size without excess of fat, extra line bib and lacing, cond. and col. Al, wins; 2, 4, Heal, former well-known Twite, still looking fit, excels in col., and the desirable display of white in wing flights, 4 charming Mealy Redpoll, another old friend, any amount of style, unfortunately had lost a few wing flights, and fails to win in subs.; 3, S. Jones, jun., very neat yell. Siskin, a la natural, nice bib and thigh tucking, on small side; 5, Duncan, good Twite, requires steady; 6, Francis, Mealy Redpoll, too fat; 7, McQuiston, Twite, not looking fit when judged. LINNETS (20): A very hot lot: 1, 2, McQuiston, both combining tremendous size with sound, rich col., in an altogether exceptional degree, this, coupled with grand wing flights and other markings, makes them had to beat, the second is the better marked, but does not show so well, otherwise we liked him better; 3, 5, Francis, former very bold, upstanding, lovely headed Linnet, nicely mkd., and in fine order, some way behind winners in soundness of col., latter well-known London winner, very thickly pencilled, failing in col.; 4, Nicholas, beautifully modelled and sweetly mkd., Al col., feathered like wax; 6, James; 7, Ford. BULF. (17): A capital class, and a creditable demonstration of the high-water mark now reached in moulting and staging the national feathered prototype: 1, Dr. Wilson, an embodiment of all that is good in the highest possible degree, the word perfection scarcely does him justice, marvellous purity and depth of breast col., grand back, exquisite feather, thoroughly British in character, although quite big, masterly staging; 2, Lloyd James, typical, though smaller, rich even breast col., of a less fiery tone than winner, capital back col., dense cap, beautifully polished, and well put down; 3, Tapper, more size again, and excellent col., staged on hard, smooth perches, on which he was far from comfortable, a handicap this; 4, Rutherford, very near the borderline that divides British from Continental, equal col. to anything after winner, less attractive in style; 5, McQuiston, nice one, of rather slim build; 6, Thomson; 7, Burr. BULF. HEN (9): 1, Sykes; 2, Rees; 3, McQuiston; 4, Lloyd-James, a quartette of charming damsels, as like as twin sisters, and sleek and tame as Robins; 5, Woods; 6, Gentleman; 7, Proce. CHAFFINCHES (16) were nice, but scarcely up to the best standard, the attractive contrasts of colouring which distinguish the ideal specimen being generally lacking, whilst a sort of chocolate self colour seemed the rule: 1, Marley, fine, big, solid feathered bird, excellent cond., good skull, nice head and neck col. for the season, good whites, not sufficient contrast in back and breast col., still a clear winner; 2, Francis, rather nearer the ideal in colouring, but shade finer in skull, and not so forward in blue head and neck col., and general cond.; 3, 4, Sykes, the former again, like winner, too self coloured, though in excellent feather, beaten by first in size and steadiness, the latter best in class when ready, but backward yet; 5, Vale; 6, Coe; 7, Gentleman. BRAMBLING (24): 1, Marley, stylish jonque, very nice mantle, and back spangling, moderate thigh lacing, has a weak back claw, fine trim, claimed at cat. price; 2, Mrs. Longden, rich col. and good back spangle, spectacles rather spoil him, scores by cond. and behaviour; 3, Parlett, stormer for size, col., qual., mantle, back spangle, and thigh lacing, must somehow have failed to do himself justice before the judge; 4, 5, Sykes, old champions, not quite in their old form; 6, Coe; 7, Stephens. YELLOW BUNTING (12): 1, Lloyd-James, one of the usual champion class associated with his name, tremendous width of skull, magnificent head and eye markings, grand body, pure rich natural col., perfectly staged; 2, Jones, not so very far behind, real good head, albeit lacking the subs. of winner, profusely pencilled, nicely fed without being overdone; 3, McGillivray, beautifully mkd. body and well defined head-markings, close up; 4, Coe, exceptional size and density of body markings, worth another moult; 5, Miss Bousfield; 6, J. W. Ford; 7, Marley; wrong class. MRS. SHIPTON, abnormally feathered specimen. VARIOUS BUNTINGS AND CROSBILL (11): A small but nicely assorted collection: 1, Marley, clinkling Corn Bunting, tremendous size, grandly pencilled, and in the pink of cond.; 2, Pearce, equally meritorious, and much more rare Cirl Bunting, in

good order; 3, Frostick, remarkably good H.M. Snow, staged in great style; 4, Madame Feist-Made-well, perfect house-moulded Crossbill, now almost equally rare, busy with chillies and monkey-nuts; 5, 6, Marley, Cirl and Corn Buntings. FINCH AND BUNTING HENS EXCEPT BULF. (20): Quite a representative lot, and difficult to do justice to: 1, Cottingham, Hawfinch, beautifully feathered, with quite a respectable and clean cut bib, and rich col. for the sex; 2, Price and Fellows, the other extreme, a sweetly marked Siskin; 3, Gentleman, as fine a hen Yellowhammer as we have ever seen; 4, Heal, Corn Bunting (the sex of these has to be taken more or less on faith, this one certainly looked a hen), very tame indeed, and nicely feathered; 5, Miss Smyth, a dainty Chaffinch; 6, Woodcock, pretty Reed Bunting; 7, Andrews, smart Green. Several other worthy aspirants had to be most ungraciously passed over, not enough tickets, notably another Hawfinch which pressed winner hard, and at least one probable hen Corn Bunting.

Messrs. Robson and Silver's Classes

In the insectivorous classes Mr. J. Robson took the Thrush and alternate classes. Mr. A. Silver the remainder. THRUSHES, ETC. (16): A most interesting and comprehensive selection: 1, 2, 5, Marley, Blackbird, Ring Ouzel, and Missel Thrush respectively, a highly creditable team, the Blackbird doubtless one of the old champions, "niff said" the Ouzel, now very rarely staged, worth his place for this alone, the Missel Thrush an immense bird, with an almost perfect distribution of mouling, all of them in the best possible cond., and perfectly tame; 3, Lott, very lovely Song Thrush, much improved in ground col. since last year, beautiful regular arrowing, and best of cond., pluck reward, what competition for a Song Thrush; 4, Crawford, magnificent Fieldfare, if a better has ever been shown we have no recollection of it, deserved an extra first; wild and intractable as they usually are, this one was as docile as a Dove; 5, Lean and Son, capital Blackbird; 7, Miss Thynne, Song Thrush. The common, but beautiful, Starling quite crowded out. NIGHTINGALE, BLACKCAP, ETC. (17): 1, 3, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, two charming 'Gales, very little to choose both as near perfection as possible, the winner repeating his honour of 1909, very rich col., lovely shape, very tame, not a feather out of place, beautifully staged; 2, Maxwell, gem of a Blackcap, silky and well polished plumage, tight as wax, good cap and a grand olive tint, well worth its place; 4, Stone, another good Blackcap, in rare fettle, hardly so large, perfect cap, very steady; 5, Vale, Blackcap, not so good in col., very nice cond.; 6, H. James, 'Gale, in perfect feather, very steady; 7, Heik Nightingale, No. 12, Lund, a very promising youngster, also Greater Whitethroat, same owner. WARBLERS, WRENS AND CREEPERS (9) A very hot class, but the champion Dartford Warbler rightly added another victory to his long list of honours: 1, 4, Frostick, Dartford Warbler, very rightly named "Perfection," all agreed he won by "streets," and the owner is to be congratulated on its condition, it seems to improve in col. with age, the blending tints of brown and the movement of the tail make it a very interesting exhibit, 4th sweet little Jenny Wren, beautifully staged and quiet content in its cage; 3, Frost, honny Gold Crest, well shown, perfect in feather, lovely rich golden crest, very attractive; 2, 7, Tout, former a fine specimen of the somewhat rare Reed Warbler, sleek in feather, very like a miniature Nightingale in colouring, 7th a nice Gold Crest, tight in feather; 6, Mays, gem of a Treecreeper, shown in Mr. M.'s usual red-baize lined cage, beautifully marked and silvery white breast; 6, Frost, again a good Creeper, in perfect feather. FLYCATCHER, ETC. (7): 1, 2, Taylor, Black Redstart and Redstart respectively, both ideal, the former undoubtedly the best of the four of the same species in the class, very dense col., fine size and shape, 2nd as good a Redstart as possible, very rich reddish breast, clear white forehead, good frosting on throat, well staged; 3, Dewhurst, Wheatear, fine size, capital col., good eyemarks and very clear white marks on forehead, in splendid order; 4, Frost, another Black Redstart, smaller and not so deep in col. as 1st, tame and in perfect condition, probably younger; 5, Lean and Son, Black Redstart, in fine fettle; 6, Tout, Greater Wheatear. WAGTAILS (6): 1, 5, Tout, topping Yellow, beautifully fed, splendid body, capital eye-marks and not overdone with the col. feed, very nicely staged, we believe last year's winner at this show, 5th another nice Yellow (catalogued as Grey), very good colour and tame, not the subs. of 1st; 2, Mays, medium sized Grey, very clear white throat and eye-marks, deep breast col., very racy bird, took the perches well, beautifully staged; 3, Hatlaway, real good Grey, larger than 2nd, but fails in col., very steady, first class cond., well shown; 4, Mays, Yellow, not so large as 1st, good col., shows the black dots on breast as often occurs in autumn plumage, nice wing bars, and head markings; 6, Dewhurst, Grey, very big specimen, in good feather. LARKS AND PIPITS (8): 1, 3, 5, 7, Lott, very nice team of Mr. L.'s special favourites, winner a rare chested Skylark, beautiful upstanding bird, with a good bold chest, nice warm col. and well mkd., 3rd a clinking Shore Lark, clear head marks, rich plumage, perfectly tame, 5th Tree Pipit, we liked very much, full of bloom, deep markings, nice size, 7th another Skylark, with the bold carriage of 1st; 2, Goodall, Meadow Pipit, very nicely pencilled and rich tint of plumage, shapely, fine big bird, well staged; 4, Tout, rare Rock Pipit; 6, Mrs. Askew, Shore Lark, honny big bird, not the col. of 3rd. TITS, ETC. (13): 1, Dr. Lovell, grand pair of Bearded Redlings, cock beautifully mkd. on the head and throat, fine big birds, very well shown; 2, Frost, pretty pair of Long-tailed Tits, quite at home, tight as can be, perfect feather, and very tame; 3, 7, Miss Smyth, Marsh Tit and Cole Tit, both good specimens; 4, Rochl, good coloured Nuthatch, very interesting exhibit which seems to rarely get a "look in" now-a-days, well mkd. head, nice deep breast; 5, Mrs. Thynne, pretty pair of Bearded Redlings, tastefully shown; 6, Frostick, fine Long-tailed Tit, tight as wax, beautifully mkd. A.O.S. INSECTIVOROUS (5): 1, Marley, Great Grey Shrike, another old friend, looking better than ever, very tame, perfect feather and cond., clear grey back and white underparts, wins easily; 2, Frostick, nice Waxwing, good crest, rich body col., good cond.; 3, Frost, beautifully mkd. Wryneck, perfect lacing on throat and breast, colours on back well defined, good size, very steady; 4, McQuiston, Cornish Chough, very glossy, nice coloured legs and hank, but unfortunately the ends of hank cross badly, and want attention, very fit otherwise; 5, Miss Bousfield, Waxwing, large bird, but pale in colour. PIED ALBINO, ETC. (4): 1, Martin and Archer, well-known clear yellow Yellow Bunting, very shapely and perfect in feather, shows the Bunting characteristics too plainly to be mistaken for any other species; 2, Frostick, White Blackbird, yellow beak, perfect in feather and carries a lovely bloom; 3, 7, Wade, former a very pretty Goldfinch, white body, yellow flights, and slight trace of red blaze, very steady, taking exhibit, 7th a good

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Mr. A. J. Marley's Classes. OPEN NOVICE GODLE or BULLF. (9): 1, sp., Miss Mantell, topping Goldie, very rich tanning, grand square blaze, perfect tint of col., well buttoned and mooned, shows to perfection, well up in col.; 2, Hodden, clinking Bullie, very shapely, well polished ebony cap, rich breast, good clear back and snow-white rump; 3, Sadler, another good Goldie, good flights, not such a bold one as 1st, good buttons and moons; 4, Elliott, good rich coloured Goldie, capital tanning, perfect buttons and moons; 5, Carter, Bullie, good col. and size. LINNET, ETC. (10): 1, sp., Hobden, Linnet, fine shape, well pencilled, splendid head and throat markings, well polished, good enough for open class; 2, Collier, Siskin, good size and col., dense cap, clear wing bars, col. sound throughout, will improve; 3, Pettit, bonny Lesser Redpoll, nice bib, typical shape, very rich col., well mtd. on flanks, well shaped head; 4, Perks, another Linnet, shade paler, well pencilled, very shapely, steady as a rock; 5, 7, Sadler, F.M. Redpoll, good col. and cap, 7th Linnet, in fine condition; 6, Carter, Linnet, perfect plumage, nice chested, but falls in pencillings. A.O. FINCH or BUNTING (9): 1, sp., 3, Hepwood, topping Hawfinch, good enough for open competition, rich head and body col., perfect bib, well defined grey collar, wins well, rare bold carr., 3rd fine Chaff., very hot col., good white wing bars, rich back and head, very shapely and in splendid fettle; 2, Pettit, steady Corn Bunting, plenty of pencilling, rare size, well polished plumage; 4, 5, Miss Mantell, Yellow Bunting, heavily marked on head, will become clearer in yell., on the small side, 5th one Chaff. INSECTIV. (7): 1, Hepwood, Chough, good specimen, shines like satin, nice red legs and beak; 2, Simmonds, Bonny Thrush, beautifully spotted, very shapely, big bird and very tame, rich col. back and throat, a real good bird; 3, 4, Mrs. Askew, Blackbird and Thrush, both in capital trim, former well spotted, and good col. on back, Blackbird, rather slim, plumage well polished, good bill and eye cere.

Members' Hybrids and British-Members' Hyb. (4): 1, Buckingham; 2, Lamb; 3, Crabb; 4, Wade. GOLDF. (6): 1, Wade; 2, Marley; 3, 5, Francis; 4, Offord. BULLF. (3): 1, Wade; 2, Francis; 3, Marley. LINNET (2): 1, Francis; 2, Marley. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Crabb; 2, 3, Marley; 4, 5, 7, Francis; 6, Offord. A.O.S. FINCH or Bunting (9): 1, 2, 3, Marley; 4, 5, Francis; 6, Offord; 7, Dewhurst. INSECTIV., SMALL (2): 1, 5, 7, Dewhurst; 2, Marley; 3, Mrs. Maher; 4, Wade; 6, Mrs. Thynne. LARGE (2): 1, 2, Dewhurst.

THE FOREIGN SECTION. Messrs. Seth-Smith and Astley's Classes.

The foreign section of this show cannot fail to be a notable one, if only because the conditions due to the national crisis through which we are passing may have appeared to make its success problematical. An exhibition that can muster 2 Humming Birds, a King Bird of Paradise, some 12 or more other species that were new to the show bench, and a whole host of rarities cannot be anything but notable, and must remain so for some considerable period. It was most regrettable that bad weather spoiled the gate on Saturday, so that the attendance of the public was considerably below the average. The interval between the show and our going to press does not permit of research, but the writer believes the following species to be first appearances on the show bench. Hahn's Macaw, Miss A. B. Smyth; Brown-fronted Conure, Mr. A. Silver; Aztec Conure, Mr. J. Frostick; Speckled Conure, Mr. C. T. Maxwell; Crimson-ringed Whydah, Mr. R. E. Simpson; Red-headed Bullfinch, Mr. A. Ezra; Montezuma Quail, Mr. J. Frostick; Garnet-throated Carib, Mr. A. Ezra; Ricordi's Humming Bird, Mr. A. Ezra; Bullock's Hainnest, Mr. A. Silver; Wedge-tailed Glossy Starling, Mr. A. Silver; White-eyed bordered Blue Flycatcher, Mr. A. Ezra; Tawny or Tamaulipas Thrush, Mr. B. T. Stewart; Black-gorgeted Thrushes (?), Dr. L. Lovell-Keays; Violaceous Hangnest (?), Mr. A. Silver; Wagler's Hangnest, Mr. A. Silver. Possibly there are others. Space forbids introductory comment on the grand array of Sunbirds, the fine entry of the Parrot tribe, the largest, I think, for some years, the interesting Hybrids, and other groups too numerous to mention. The foreign section was certainly a memorable one.

COCKATOOS AND MACAWS (6): 1, Miss A. B. Smyth, Hahn's Macaw, very rare, will greatly improve after another moult; 2, 4, Mrs. Taylor, Bar-eyed and L. Sulphur Crested Cockatoos; 3, Mason, smart Lemon-crest Cockatoo; 5, Newmarsh, Military Macaw, not tightly feathered; 6, 7, Dawson, Lemon-crested Cockatoos, an interesting lot of birds, most of whom talked amusingly at intervals. GREY AND AMAZON PARROTS (17): A goodly array of interesting and entertaining birds, many of them excellent talkers and mimics, the rarest among them being the Double-fronted and Salvin's Amazons. 1, Miss J. Smyth, Green-checked Amazon, a smart bird, in excellent form; 3, Frostick, Double-fronted Amazon, in fine form; 4, Silver, Salvin's and Mealy Amazons, both really smart birds; 5, Dewhurst, a good Grey Parrot; 6, Mrs. Johnston, Blue-fronted Amazon; 7, Ditchfield, another good Blue-front; no less than 6 each of

Blue-fronted Amazons and Grey Parrots were staged, of the latter only one caught the judge's eye. LOVEBIRDS, ETC. (16): An interesting class, most species of the Lovebirds being staged, and some of the smaller Parakeets, but the class contained nothing new. 1, 6, Miss A. B. Smyth, lovely Peach-faced Lovebirds, rich col., and a nice pair of Tui Parakeets; 2, Dr. Lovell-Keays, charming pair of Orange-flanked Parakeets, like silk, very tame; 3, 7, Maxwell, Black-faced Lovebird, grand col., and Peach-faced Lovebirds; 4, 5, Silver, Blue-winged and Madagascar Lovebirds, both pairs, in perfect form. A.O.S. PARROTS (14): An interesting array of beautiful species, and, we think, the rarest. Mrs. Moore's Short-tailed Parrot has not been previously staged. 1, Rev. G. H. Raynor, an excellent pair of Meyer's Parrots, with the yellow areas well developed, tight and silky; 2, Maxwell, Black-headed Calque, a beautiful exhibit, in good form; 3, Miss A. B. Smyth, another good pair of Meyer's Parrots, but still in the immature plumage, and not showing any yellow on the head at present; 4, Mrs. Frost, Senegal Parrot, rich col., very tame; 5, Mrs. Moore, Short-tailed Parrot, quaint, wee bit rough; 6, Frostick, Eclectus Parrot, in perfect plumage, lovely col.; 7, Miss Thynne, Red-vented Parrot, very smart. GREEN BUDGERIGARS (12): A good lot of these interesting and beautiful birds, not an exhibit, in really poor form, the general merit being much as placed, with the winners run very close by the 2nd prize birds, but nevertheless deserving their position. 1, Frostick; 2, Shipton; 3, Mrs. Longden; 4, Mrs. Bayley Ransom; 5, Tyson; 6, 7, Silver. RINGNECK, ETC. (16): An attractive array of many species, among which the Brown-fronted Conures (Conurus ocellaris), very similar to the Brown-throated, but lacking the blue crown and orange abdominal patch common to that species, the Aztec Conure (C. aztec), and the Speckled Conure (C. euops), all staged for the first time, we believe, yet the Malabar Parakeet fully deserved its position; it is in these days an uncommon species, while its condition was marvellous, the colouring very rich, beautifully blended, and not a feather out of place. 1, Dr. Lovell-Keays, Malabar Parakeet, a grand bird without blemish; 2, Miss Clare, Red-rump Parakeet, one of the best, but rather lucky in such company; 3, Mrs. Frost, Plum-head Parakeet, in fine form (2 and 3 evidently scored on condition over the rarer species); 4, Maxwell, Speckled Conure, a rare species, still showing a few pens; 5, Silver, splendid Rosella, a good bird, but the yellow margins to mantle-feathers not so rich as some; 6, 7, Frostick, Aztec Conure, rare, but not attractive, and wee bit rough, and a very tame Ringneck Parakeet, in perfect form, grand bloom. LORIES, ETC. (7): Lories, Lorikets, etc., mostly appeal to all, because of their gorgeous coloration, which is certainly very striking, and this class certainly contained a glare of tropical brilliancy. 1, 4, Maxwell, Crimson-fronted Lory, rare, in perfect form, and an equally good pair of Red-collared Lorikets, very rich col.; 2, Mrs. Moore, charming Red-capped Hanging Parakeet, rich col., tight and silky; 3, Smith, Yellow-backed Lories, a grand pair, in perfect form; 5, Mrs. Longden, Red-collared Lory, grand col.; 6, Rochl, pair Red-collared Lorikets, very tight, not good col.; 7, Frostick, Crimson Lory, smart and beautiful exhibit, in good form. A.O.S. BROADTAILS (4): The paucity of entries here is surprising, as many of this group are kept, but not very often in cages, and therein presumably lies the reason. 1, Hon. Mrs. Morrison, pair Mealy Rosellas, very tame, good col.; 2, Frostick, King Parakeet, rich col., good form; 3, Mrs. Frost, a good Barnard's Parakeet; 4, Shipton, Yellow-naped Parakeet, wee bit rough. GRASS PARAKEETS, ETC. (2): A disappointing entry, but both exhibits grand birds, and in finest condition, though the leading birds were looking a bit soft on the last day of the show. 1, Miss Clare, grand pair Queen Alexandra Parakeets; 2, Miss A. B. Smyth, exquisite Bourke's Parakeet, without a blemish. WEAVERS, Whydahs, ETC. (11): A most interesting class, containing specimens of the rare Crimson-ringed and Jackson's Whydahs, the former, however, needs to pass another moult before it will do itself justice, and it had, moreover, evidently knocked itself about a little during transit, but in spite of these defects, it was in good condition, and simply lacked depth of colour, and seemed to be rather hardly treated. The class contained a melanistic Orange Weaver, entirely brownish black, with the orange areas only obscurely indicated by the bases of the feathers. 1, Maxwell, Jackson's Whydah, easy first, grand tail, not a blemish; 2, Mrs. Longden, Queen Whydah, one tail feather missing, otherwise grand form, trifle lucky; 3, Frost, very fine pair Scaly-crowned Weavers, gems, but lucky in such company; 4, Simpson, Crimson-ringed Whydah, very rare, not yet reached full depth of col.; 5, Dr. Lovell-Keays, Brown-backed Weaver, a gem, but rather wild; 6, Goodall, Paradise Whydah, tail wee bit rough; 7, Wade, Orange Weaver, but entirely brownish-black (melanistic), good specimens of Orange and Crimson-crowned Weavers also staged. DOVES, QUAILS, ETC. (7): 1, 7, Frostick, Emerald Spotted Dove and Button Quail, the former perfect and steady, but somewhat lucky; 2, Stone, Californian Quail, exquisite condition, also a bit fortunate; 3, Madame Madewell, Masked Doves, wee bit soft; 4, Frostick, Montezuma Quail, very striking, might have been first; 5, Harris, pair Triangular Spotted Pigeons, perfect and steady, we liked for second; 6, Wallington, Cape Doves. HUMMING BIRDS, ETC. (8): Every exhibit a gem of the first water, and excepting for the Humming Birds, most of the others might, if practicable, have been placed equal. I would like to enlarge upon the wondrous coloration to be found here, but if I did the Editorial Censor would spoil all with his blue pencil, so I bow to fate and pass on. Equal 1 (2), Ezra, Garnet-throated Carib and Ricordi's Humming Bird, we have noted these gems elsewhere; 2, 3, 5, Ezra, Greater Double-collared Southern Malachite and Lesser Double-collared Sunbirds, each perfect, and a gem, to describe them is impossible, their plumage glitters like rubies, diamonds and sapphires, etc., ever changing with the play of light; 4, 6, 7, Maxwell, Red Sunbird, a marvellous specimen, cage moulted, and yet retaining full natural colour, Lesser Red-collared and Southern Malachite Sunbird. This class was, of course, the centre of attraction, owing to the unique rarity of the Humming Birds, but the Sunbirds are but little below these marvels of the feathered world in beauty, grace and interest, and Messrs. Ezra and Maxwell are to be congratulated on such rare and exquisite birds. SUGAR BIRDS, ETC. (8): Another gorgeous array, running the former class very close for beauty and interest. The Australian Zosterops have not appeared on the show bench for many years, even if they are not making their first appearance, all the others, however, are well-known species. 1, Miss Clare, Australian Zosterops or White-eyes, beautiful and unique, good first; 2, Hon. Mrs. Bourke, exquisite pair Purple Sugar

Birds, grand col., perfect in every way; 3, Lady Pilkington, Black-headed Sugar Bird, in perfect trim; 4, Dr. Lovell-Keays, Purple Sugar Bird; 5, Silver, pair Yellow-winged Sugar Birds, in perfect form, but cock in winter plumage. CERTAIN NAMED TANAGERS (3): Very disappointing entry. 1, 2, Silver, cock Violet and pair Tri-coloured Tanagers; 3, Miss Bousfield, Maroon Tanager. A.O. TANAGERS (5): Another disappointing class as to numbers, but some exquisite birds were staged, including two rarities, though not new to the bench. 1, 2, Lady Pilkington, Blue-headed Tanager, very rare, violet black above, golden-chestnut beneath, with enamel-blue cap like silk, faultless, and Black-checked Tanager, these two might well have been placed equal firsts, the delicate and ever-changing hues of the latter are impossible to describe; 3, Miss Bousfield, exquisite Pestic Tanager, not one whit below above in condition or beauty, but not quite so rare, a difficult species to keep; 4, Maxwell, Blue-headed Tanager, young bird, moult not complete; 5, Stone, Necklace Tanager, hit soft. BULBULS, ETC. (11) The rarest bird, the Black-crested Yellow Bulbul, is a handsome bird of fine contour, black above, and greenish-golden-yellow beneath, it has an upstanding crest, also a fine song, and makes an ideal cage bird. A welcome re-appearance was a cock Blue Robin; 1, Lady Kathleen Pilkington, Black-crested Bulbul, rare, perfect, good 1st; 2, Shepherd, Blue Robin, a well-known favourite of the past, in fine form; 3, Silver, Pekin Robin, very rich col., tame and silky; 4, Frostick, Dhyal Bird, in fine form, a picture; 5, Miss A. B. Smyth, Shama, perfect cond.; 6, Miss J. Smyth, nice pair Pekin Robins; 7, Maxwell, another good Pekin. CROWS, MYNAHS, ETC. (12) A class of more than usual interest, containing at least two species new to the bench, and the Purple-headed Glossy Starling makes a welcome re-appearance; 1, Silver, pair Purple-headed Glossy Starlings, perfect in every way, better pair never staged; 2, Frostick, Yucatan Jay, a rare and beautiful species, which made its debut at this show last year, a beautiful arrangement in blue and black, with yellow bill, legs and feet; 3, Mrs. Thynne, Chinese Starling; 4, Shepherd, Mynah, the well-known winner; 5, Miss Hawkes, Black and Yellow Troupial; 6, Wade, good Purple-headed Glossy Starling; 7, Frost, pair Cambodian Starlings. Two very rare birds, the writer thinks first appearances, failed to obtain recognition, though in perfect order, viz., Bullock's Haugnest, a striking arrangement of guinea-gold, black and white, and a shapely bird withal; the other the Wedge-tailed Glossy Starling. The birds catalogued as Chinese, Chinese Rosy, and Cambodian Starlings were all the same species. HYBRIDS, ETC. (9) A welcome increase here and all most interesting. The Red-headed Ribbon Finch hybrids were all bred from the same source, and while the underparts of one pair favoured the Ribbon Finch, the others were almost as well and cleanly spotted as the Red-headed Finch; both cocks had the red pectoral band and a partially red-head. In size they ran the Red-heads very close. In the other hybrids, in most cases they about equally favoured both parents, Miss Smyth's Bulbul hybrid being of perhaps the greatest interest, though the Greenfinch-Himalayan Siskin runs it very close in this respect; 1, 2, Miss A. B. Smyth, Red-vented-Red-eared Bulbul, favours the latter species most, the former species being indicated in the modified crest, and lightish mottled underparts, 2nd Red-headed-Ribbon Finch hybrids, underparts favour the Ribbon Finch; 3, 5, Shore Bally, Green-Himalayan Siskin, in size and form a small Greenfinch, with the plumage of both parents well indicated, and Spice Finch-Bib Finch, a pretty hybrid about the size of a Bronze Mannikin, dark brown above, tawny-brown beneath, with a white bib margined by a black border; 4, Silver, Red-headed-Ribbon Finch, underparts favour the Red-headed Finch; 6, Wade, Magpie Mannikin-Bengalese, white, with patches of grey-brown on back and wings, larger, and with longer tail than Bengalese; 7, Mrs. Longden, Silverbill-Bengalese, a handsome hybrid in which the Silverbill parentage predominates. FLYCATCHERS, ETC. (7) Not a numerous entry, but each a rare gem; with grace, elegance, character and beauty as the chief characteristics, and if only one is a first appearance, several of the individual birds only made their debut last year; 1, 2, 4, 5, A. Ezra, White-eyed-browed Blue and White Flycatcher, a dainty sprite, clad in blue and pure white, with a long name, it is a first appearance and another of India's gifts to aviculture; Small Minivet, another exquisite from the same far-off land, clad in blue, white and pink, but on its native heath it wears a garment of blue and flame-red; Red-tailed Minla, a Tit clad in a contrasty garment of brown, black and white, with red margins to wing and tail feathers; and, last but not least, the Rufous-bellied Niltava, a gorgeous arrangement of glittering blue and golden rufous-chestnut, a grand team and each faultless; 3, c, Lady Pilkington, Black-ohinned Yuhinas, a fascinating small Babbler from India's sunny clime; and Loo Choo Robin, a charming songster from the Islands which give him his name; 7, Mason, Japanese Red-breast, well-known prize winner looking as well as ever. BIRDS OF PARADISE (4): 1, Ezra, King Bird of Paradise, suffice it to say that its regal garment was faultless and its resplendent beauty beyond description. I think a first appearance, quaint, handsome and full of character; 3, Stewart, Tamaulipas Tawny Thrush, in fine form, rare but not beautiful.

Mr. R. J. Watts's Classes.

The classes which fell to the lot of Mr. R. J. Watts to judge mostly comprised freely imported species, but in beauty of plumage most of the well-known foreign birds vie with the rarest, and that a charming collection of exquisitely feathered foreigners is within the purchasing power of all was here made evident. Condition all round was of the very best, and practically every exhibit compelled admiration. The winning pair of Combassous, Mr. F. Howe, were perfection personified; the delicate beauty of the Gold-breasted, St. Helena, Sydney, and other Waxbills exhibited was absolutely fascinating; richness of colour in the plumage was represented by the Violet-eared Waxbills, Parrot Finches, Fire Finches, and many others, while the many perfect Gouldian Finches, the Rainbow Buntings, etc., had a gorgeousness equal to many of the fruit-eating and insectivorous birds which lent so much attractiveness and fascination to the section as to make the show a memorable one indeed. The class for True Finches, etc., was one of the most interesting in the show, the leaders being a first introduction of their species, Red-headed Bullfinches, to the show bench. The Sepoy Finch in this class is an old friend, now cage-moulted, and looking as well as ever, though the richness of its wild colour has, of course, been lessened with a moult in captivity. Dr. Lovell Keay's Columbian Siskins came in for a deal of admiration, and the beautiful foreign Hawfinches, the Black-tailed pair shown by Miss A. B. Smyth,

and the 1st prize by Mr. ... in their docility and perfection as could possibly be imagined.

YELL. BUDGERIGARS, ETC. (9): 1, Shipton, beautiful pair Yellow Budgerigars, could win anywhere, fine size, perfect feather, steady, really yell. in col., shown well; 2, 4, 5, 6, Silver, faultless pair of Fawn and White Bengalese leading, very lovely, 4 Yellow Budgerigars, bit greenish in tone, and not so steady as might be, 5 nice Brown and White Mannikins, 6 lovely pair of spotless White Javas, hen just a little black in neck feather, otherwise a faultless couple; 3, Madame Madewell, beautifully pure cock Java, presumably one of the well known pair often shown; 7, Miss Smyth, MANNIKINS, ETC. (7): 1, Howe, beautiful pair of White-headed Mannikins, in perfect plumage, very steady and well shown; 2, Miss Bousfield, magnificent pair Grey Javas, typifying the expression "tight as a Java," perfect all round; 3, 4, 5, Silver, good pair Magpie Mannikins, fine size even for this large species, nice plumage and very steady, 4 beautiful Tricoloured pair, 5 sweet little Bronze Mannikins; 6, Simpson, perfect Nutmeg Finches; 7, Wade, Magpie Mannikin. RIBBON FINCHES, ETC. (18): 1, 4, Howe, exquisite pair of Combassous, cock shining with the metallic lustre only seen when in perfect cond., hen a worthy mate of so beautiful a bird, equally clock in plumage, 4 finest possible pair of Ribbon (Cutthroat) Finches that could be imagined, tight as wax, a wonderful couple; 2, Buckingham, champion pair Silverbills, perfection in all respects; 3, Mrs. Thynne, nice Zebra Finches, cock seemed a bit dull in demeanour at times, perhaps a bit lucky to beat the 4th winners; 5, 6, Silver, lovely Saffron Finches, bit wild, will improve, and pair of Combassous; 7, Hathaway, Zebra Finches, we liked better than the 3rd for their fine cond., trifle small. GOULDIAN FINCHES, ETC. (11): 1, 2, Miss Bousfield, cock Red-headed and pair Black-headed, the finest examples of these gorgeously coloured Australians possible to imagine, beautiful as the winner was, we preferred the magnificent pair of Black-heads for premier position, "perfection" describes both exhibits; 3, Row, nice Red-heads, cock somewhat dull in crimson of face, hen a beauty all over; 4, 7, Frostick, two lovely pairs of Black-heads, 4 might have replaced 3 for fine cond., cock especially fine; 5, Muscott, 6, Mrs. Longden, FIRE-TAILED FINCHES, ETC. (8): 1, Row, fine pair Fire-tailed, a bit shy, lovely plumage, markings well displayed; 2, 6, Dr. Lovell-Keays, beautiful Parrot Finches, sprightly, tight in plumage, deep crimson faces, nice pair, and a smallish Rainbow Bunting; 3, 5, Maxwell, leader, very good Rainbow Bunting, rather a drop from comparatively recent times, when the first shown specimen aroused such admiration, few would have criticised if it had been placed 2nd here; 5, Parrot Finches, shade rough; 4, Miss Bousfield, extra large Pin-tailed Nonparadi, intense colorings, but not so nice in plumage as 7, Mrs. Longden, a very perfect cage-moulted one. A.O.S. GRASSFINCHES, ETC. (13): 1, Miss Bousfield, pair of Masked Grassfinches, delicious in their perfection of plumage, steady and well shown; 2, Goodchild, good pair Diamouid Finches, not quite so brilliantly spotted as some; 3, 7, Frostick, Long-tailed Grassfinches, in magnificent leather, cock a bit nervous, which probably lost them 2nd prize, 7, nicest pair of Chestnut-breasted that could be imagined, finest possible cond.; 4, Frost, good Diamond Finches, not quite the size of those above them, perfect cond.; 5, Row, Bichenca Finches, should do better when they show themselves to more advantage, very shy; 6, Silver, pair Red-headed Finches, would not show. AFRICAN FIRE FINCHES, ETC. (22): 1, Buckingham, sweet pair Golden-breasted Waxbills, superlative cond., lovely col., and beautiful markings; 2, 7, Brumbridge, lovely African Fire Finches, a perfect pair, and excellent pair Cordon Bleus; 3, Howe, nice Cordon Bleus, hen much the better bird, quite dwarfs the cock by comparison; 4, Silver, Lavender Finches, cock rather rough in plumage, hen very beautiful; 5, Goodchild, nice Green Avadavat, rather small for the species, good plumage, nicely barred; 6, Maxwell, very good African Fire Finches. COMMON AVADAVATS, ETC. (12): 1, 5, Howe, both St. Helena Waxbills, leader cock, 5 a hen, equal in perfection of plumage, beautifully shown; 2, Miss Bousfield, quite a perfect pair of Grey Waxbills, silky plumage, sweet little couple; 3, Dr. Lovell-Keays, lovely Orange-cheeks, pretty as paint; 4, Mrs. Thynne, pair St. Helenas, lovely plumage, distinctly mtd., shade smaller than 1st winner, but equally perfect in all else; 6, 7, Silver, nice Greys and Orange-cheeks respectively. A.O.S. WAXBILLS (10): 1, Miss Bousfield, Violet-eared, satiny plumage, lovely coloration, extra fine size; 2, Mrs. Thynne, delicious pair Sydneys, quite faultless, we liked as well as the winner for top place, best possible pair imaginable; 3, Howe, Melba, lovely face and breast col., very distinct body markings, perfect cond.; 4, Mrs. Longden, Violet-eared, not so bright in col. as 1st, but lovely cond., looks to be a cage-moulted one, which would account for the loss of brilliancy of the plumage; 5, Frost, good pair of Blue-breasted, hen a bit soft, cock a lovely bird; 6, Silver, Bar-breasted Fire Finches, a great rarity, not seen on the bench for many years, cond. kept them from top of the class; 7, Dr. Lovell-Keays, Violet-eared. CARDINALS (6): 1, Frost, very fine pair Virginians, nice plumage, cock very brilliant in coloration; 2, 3, 5, Silver, Pope in lovely plumage, but exceedingly wild, champion of its kind when steaded; 3 very good Green, shows better than the Pope; 5, Silver, nice Virginian, deeper in crimson than the 1st, very good bird indeed; 6, Rochl, nice Grey, very interesting to have four species of Cardinals together. A.O.S. FINCHES (8): The most interesting class of all among the seed-eaters; 1, sp, diploma, best in 13 all seed-eating classes, Ezra, Red-headed Bullfinches, a seed-eating class, Ezra, Red-headed Bullfinches, in general first appearance on the show bench. In general body col. both sexes greatly resemble our own hen Bullfinch, but neither has any black cap, both birds have a black mask extending back over the eyes, and are slightly reddish on the crown, the cock showing most of this colour; 2, Hathaway, very fine cage-moulted Sepoy Finch, lovely cond., but here we thought it lucky to beat 3, Dr. Lovell-Keays, beautiful pair of Columbian Siskins, these sweet little things came in for a lot of richly deserved admiration; 4, Miss Smyth, perfect pair Black-tailed Hawfinches, tip-top condition, steady, and beautifully shown; 5, Silver, Japanese Hawfinch, tight in leather as a Waxwing, steady as a rock, a lovely exhibit; 6, Larking, Himalayan Goldfinch, another rarity, in perfect condition; 7, Mrs. Cloupe, Alario Finch. No one envied the judge his task of sorting out this lot. SELL. FOR. (3): 1, Reed, Red-headed Gouldian; 2, 3, Maxwell, Greater Amethyst Sun-bird and Violet Tanager. MEMBERS' SEED-EATING FOR. (6): 1, Wade; 2, Miss Bousfield; 3, 5, 6, Silver; 4, Mrs. Thynne. INSECTIVOROUS (7): 1, Abraham's memorial cup, 2, 5, Silver, winner a rare Wagler's Hangnest; 3, 7, Dewhurst, Metallic Starling, and our old friends the pair of Coleys; must now be at least seven years old; 4, 6, Shepherd.

Several reports of members' shows are unavoidably held over owing to pressure on space due to reports of open shows, but they will appear in due course.—Editor.

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PAISLEY.

22nd annual show of the Paisley O.A., Nov. 23, Tannahill Hall, a suitable one for the purpose, comfortable in every respect. Birds were neatly staged on three tier shelving and were all seen to the best advantage. Entries were about the same as last year, and some grand specimens were shown. Many old fanciers travelled a considerable distance to meet old friends at this popular exhibition. This progressive body of fanciers caters for the novices who have a good list of specials entirely for their own competition. See Neil O'Donnell had all arrangements well in hand. Unfortunately he has not been well for some time, but was able to turn out later in the day. Mr. Lambie, sec. of the New Year fixture, rendered valuable assistance during his absence, aided by a capable band of office-bearers: Pres., Mr. A. Livingston; vice-pres., Mr. Thomas Hamilton; committee, Messrs. A. M. Baird, J. Kennedy, Mr. A. Livingston; vice-pres., Mr. Thomas Hamilton; Mr. A. M. Baird, J. Kennedy, Mr. A. Livingston, Neil Paterson, A. Baird, A. Kennedy, and John Hart, who all worked well for success. Mr. Allardice (Wishaw) won cup and gold medal for best young bird, Mr. J. D. Brown (East Kilbride) gold medal opposite sex. First novice sp., Wilson; 2nd, Frew; 3rd, Jackson. The judges were Messrs. J. Main (Coatbridge), R. Price (Barrhead), A. McLachlan (Govan), and A. Baird (Paisley), and their awards were well received.

CL. YELL. CK.: 1, Gray, good size and thickness through, fine reach and length of wing, grand action; 2, Muir, only falls size and depth, full of fire, gets head well down and pulls hard all the time; 3, Muir, better size and thickness, scarcely so good action; 4, Strathern, hard up, fine reach, gets tail well under, trille short in body; 5, Caldwell; 6, Lyon; 7, D. Brown. YELL. PIED CK.: 1, J. Brown, grand shoulders and reach, quick at action, gets head well down, fine style; 2, Gray, fine subs, and top end, nice style and action; 3, Swanson, fine shoulders, well filled in back, good style, nice circle; 4, Hendry, fine snaky head and neck, good reach and length of side; 5, J. Kennedy, juv.; 6, sp., Phillips; 7, Wilson. FOUL CK.: 1, 2, sp., Allardice, best young bird, not big but a guid one, fine snaky head and neck, raro thickness through, grand style and action, nice circle, gets head well down and tail well under; 2, J. Brown, fine top end, rare shoulders and length of wing, good style and action; 3, Gray, fine snaky head and neck, nice reach and thickness, takes perches well and pulls hard; 4, D. Brown, raro size and thickness throughout, fine style, free mover; 5, sp., Stewart; 6, Jackson; 7, sp., Thomson. GREEN CK.: 1, Muir, buff, rare top end and drive, grand shoulders, well filled in, fine length of size, very stylish, grand mover; 2, Muirhead, yell., good size and thickness for a yell., gets hard up, grand reach, tail well under, very stylish; 3, Campbell, yell., loses size only, gets head well down, takes rare pose quickly; 4, Craig, another fine one, grand top end and drive, gets tail well under, very stylish; 5, Caldwell; 6, Hunter, 7, Burnside. CLEAN BUFF CK.: 1, McLure, great size and subs., fine round shoulders, rare drive, grand style and action, travels well; 2, sp., J. Brown, lovely drive, fine shoulders, nice snaky head and neck, rare pos., gets head well down, just behind in subs.; 3, sp., Allardice, good drive and length of wing, nice size and subs., fine sweep of tail; 4, sp., Gray, fine thickness, good drive and action, nervy and stylish; 5, Ferguson; 6, Fulton; 7, Cassidy. BUFF PIED CK.: 1, McLure, good size and thickness through, fine length of side, grand reach and gets well down, quick at pos., and pulls hard all the time, fine one; 2, Caldwell, close up, rare reach, head well down, fine shoulders, well filled in, very stylish, travels well; 3, Livingston, good action and style, fine circle; 4, Thomson, fine shoulders and length of side, dour mover; 5, sp., Wilson; 6, J. Brown; 7, Burgess. CLEAN YELL. HEN: 1, Allardice, fine snaky head and neck, good thickness for a yell., well filled in shoulders, good reach, grand style and action; 2, Stewart, quick at pose, good thickness and length of side, gets head well down, stylish; 3, sp., Frew, fine shoulders and size, nice free style and action; 4, J. Brown, good length of wing, fine sweep of tail, travels well; 5, Muir; 6, Livingston; 7, sp., McLure. YELL. PIED HEN: 1, Watson, quick at action, well on leg, pulls hard, fine size and thickness, snaky head and neck, fine style, wealth of feather; 2, J. Brown, rare pose and action, head well down, fine sweep of tail, good size, shade less thickness through chest; 3, Frew, grand hen, rare style and action, takes perches well, nice size and thickness; 4, Livingston, close up, rare top end, good thickness, fine length of side, moves well; 5, Fulton; 6, Vernall. POPL HEN: 1, McLure, fine size and thickness through chest, nice length of wing, grand drive, style and action; 2, Jackson, nice snaky head and neck, good subs. across chest, plenty of nerve and style; 3, Muir, rare top end, gets head well down, good size and thickness, fine traveller; 4, Vernell, fine length of side, good reach, style and action; 6, Main; 6, Smith; 7, Henry. GREEN HEN: 1, Allardice, yell., rare pose, right away, head well down, well packed shoulders, fine length of side; 2, Gray, buff, grand size and thickness through, nice head and neck, decided drive, grand circle; 3, sp., J. Brown, buff, grand top end, fine reach, scarcely the thickness of 2nd, fine style and action; 4, Jackson, buff, fine one for style and action, could do with more thickness; 5, Gray; 6, Thomson; 7, Main. CLEAN BUFF HEN: 1, Ferguson, a guid one, real Scotch, capital size and thickness through, nice length of side and drive, gets head well down, fine sweep of tail, moves well; 2, sp., Strathern, fine depth through chest, well filled in at shoulders, good reach, head well down, fine style and action, close up; 3, J. Brown, free style and action, good

length of side, behind in thickness; 4, sp., Kennedy, neat pose and style; 5, sp., Wilson; 6, Fulton; 7, Main. PIED HEN: 1, sp., 2, Brown, neat head and neck, raro drive, fine size and thickness through, good length of side, plenty of nerve and style, grand pair, very little between them, good size and action; 3, Campbell, good size and thickness across chest, fine reach, gets well down, nice circle; 4, Strathern, close upon 3rd, fine size and subs., good drive and style; 5, Muir; 6, sp., Jackson; 7, Frew. SELL CK.: 1, Burnside; 2, McKinnon; 3, sp., Fulton; 4, Burgess; 5, sp., Malcolm; 6, Watson; 7, sp., Muirhead. HENS: 1, Smith; 2, Livingston; 3, McDowell; 4, Moore; 5, Paterson; 6, Henry.

PROVINCIAL ROLLER C.S.

A Success at Manchester.

7th annual exhibition at headquarters, the Old Boar's Head, Corporation Street, Manchester, Nov. 27-28. It appears to one who visits the different contests, that Roller societies vie one with another who can provide the most suitable room for the purpose. The showroom is heated from both ends, and lighted by electricity. Mr. Percival, the sec., makes a good working foreman, and superintended two hard-worked stewards in Messrs. A. Leuch and H. Clarke. In previous years the shows have been held in the Coal Exchange, Belle Vue, Bury, and at headquarters, but the latter place was always the most popular with the visitors; and for their comfort this year the centre row of staging had been abandoned. The Roller Fancy in general has proved itself stamnel, for notwithstanding the increased calls upon their purses, they rallied well to Manchester's support. I am requested to convey a word of thanks to all concerned. Birds that arrived late on Friday morning were allowed to feed and rest before they went to the judges' rooms. Four judges were engaged, and judging went ahead well while daylight lasted, with the exception of the novice class, where entries were very large. All birds were on the judges' tables during the daylight, and it was only the tail end of the classes that were finished off in electric light. The very low number of birds marked "no song" was remarkable. Sky singers were allowed two hours. Faulty Bell Gluckes seemed to be on the increase; they could be heard, too. That some birds had been giving trouble was evident, for the very low number of their points told that they had not done their duty, either to themselves, the judges, or their owners. In Classes 1 and 2, prize money and specials were given for the first six birds, and specials for the next three. In Classes 3 and 5 prize money and specials for the first four; while Class 4 had prize money and specials for the first four birds, and specials for the next two. Specials took the form of silver cups, medals, Canaries, portraits, and cash. Portraits seem to be exclusive as specials with the Provincial, but they are a work of art. Entries were received from London, South and North Staffs, Lancs., and Yorks, being well represented. Scotland was represented by Mr. Stewart, of Ayr. A good number of visitors attended during Saturday, and amongst them were fanciers from Leeds, Wakefield, Liverpool, Southport, Wrexham, Wigan, Bolton, etc., etc. Mr. Unsworth wins the Provincial trophy for the current year. In the report which follows, the abbreviations are: H.R. hollow roll, H.B. hollow bell, Sch., schockel, W.G. water glucke, B.R. bell roll, B.T. bell tour, W.R. water roll, D.B.W.T. deep bubbling water tour, G.E. general effect.

CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS (44) (Judge, Mr. Massey): 1, cup, Wardworth, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, W.G. 4, Flutes 2, B.R. 3, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, total 26; 2, sp., J. T. Johnson, H.R. 4, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, W.G. 3, Flutes 1, W.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 3, total 24; 3, sp., Shepley, H.R. 4, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 2, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 1, W.R. 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 3, 1 off Aufzug, total 23; 4, sp., Wardworth, H.R. 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, W.G. 4, Flutes 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, total 22; 5, sp., T. G. Thompson, H.R. 3, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, Glucke 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 1, G.E. 4, total 22; 6, sp., Pericles, H.R. 4, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, B.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 3, 1 off Aufzug, total 22; vhc, sp., Whittlestone, H.R. 4, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, G.E. 4, total 21; hc, sp., J. T. Johnson, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 3, total 21; c, sp., Wardworth, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, Flutes 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 4, total 21. NOV. (77) (Judge, Mr. Waring): 1, cup, Stewart, H.R. 6, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, W.R. 1, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 5, total 28; ex. 1, sp., Powell, H.R. 5, Bass 4, H.B. 3, Sch. 2, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, W.R. 1, B.T. 2, G.E. 5, total 27; 2, sp., Evans, H.R. 5, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, Glucke 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, B.R. 2, G.E. 5, 1 off sharp Bell, total 27; ex. 2, sp., Bew, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, W.R. 1, B.R. 1, B.T. 2, G.E. 5, total 26; 3, sp., Unsworth, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 2, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 3, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 26; ex. 3, sp., Powell, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 25; 4, sp., Powell, H.R. 4, Bass 3, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, W.R. 1, B.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 4, total 25; ex. 4, sp., Wantling, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 2, Sch. 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 3, D.B.W.T. 1, W.R. 1, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 25; 5, sp., Whitley, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 2, Sch. 3, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 3, H.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 25; 6, sp., Hunger; vhc, Hunger, Phitcroft, Wilson, Wantling, Rothwell, Powell (2), Whitley, Heatherley; hc, Smith, Thwaites, Fletcher, Atkinson, Powell (2), Mather, Scott, Mawhood, Portlock; c, Mawhood; 2, Gradwell. OPEN (14) (Judge, Mr. Tomlinson): 1, cup, Shepley, H.R. 5, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 4, Glucke 2, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 31; 2, sp., Hanbury, H.R. 6, Bass 4, Sch. 2, Glucke 4, W.G. 4, Flute 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 30; 3, sp., Ives, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 4, Sch. 4, W.G. 2, Flutes 4, D.B.W.T. 2, W.R. 1, B.R. 2, G.E. 3, 1 off Nasal Tour, total 27; 4, sp., Wareing, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 3, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 3, total 26. AMATEUR (40) (Judge, Mr. Kishaw): 1, cup, Heatherley, H.R. 5, Bass 5, H.B. 3, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, W.R. 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 5, 1 off sharp Flutes, total 28; 2, sp., Shepley, H.R. 4, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 1, W.G. 4, Flutes 2, W.R. 2, B.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 26; 3, sp., Matthew, H.R. 4, Bass 5, H.B. 2, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, W.R. 2, B.R. 1, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 25; 4, sp., Peel, H.R. 4, Bass 3, H.B. 3, W.G. 2, Flutes 2, W.R. 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 1, G.E. 5, total 24; vhc, sp., Smotherst, H.R. 4, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 2, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, 1 off sharp Flutes, total 24; hc, sp., Thwaites, H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 2, Flutes 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 23; hc, Mrs. Heaton; c, Matthew, Gradwell. LIMIT, 42 (24) (Judge, Mr. Tomlinson): 1, sp., McGivern, H.R. 3, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 4, Flute 4, W.R. 2, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 4, total 27; 2, sp., Boyd, H.R. 5, Bass 4, H.B. 2, Sch. 4, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, D.B.W.T. 2, B.T. 1, G.E. 3, total 26; 3, sp., Sm. Sa., H.R. 5, Bass 3, H.B. 3, Sch. 3, Flutes 3, W.R. 3, B.R. 2, B.T. 2, G.E. 3, 1 off sharp Flutes, total 26; 4, sp., Hoyle, H.R. 4, Bass 2, H.B. 3, Sch. 4, W.G. 3, Flutes 2, D.B.W.T. 2, W.R. 2, G.E. 3, total 24.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

FEEDING ROLLER-YORKSHIRE (R. W. J.).—I take it the bird is a crossed Roller-Yorks. You should feed and treat it just the same as you would a Norwich or any ordinary variety. Give as staple a mixture of three parts Canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day either a pinch of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, and broken groats, or half a teaspoonful of egg food, or the equivalent in bread and milk. Of course, you will ring the changes on these items, giving first one and then another, not more than one on the same day. Give a morsel of green salad daily in summer, and three times a week in the colder months as long as you can procure it free from frost and wet, and in a sound, healthy condition, and when greenstuff is not fit to use substitute a little sweet fruit—banana or apple for preference. Allow it to bathe as freely as it likes in bright warm weather, but during the winter two or three times a week will suffice. The jet being on the opposite side of the room to the bird, there will be no risk whatever from the gas, particularly if it is burnt economically. But you should see that the bird is free from direct cold draughts, and do not hang it high up near the ceiling. For fuller details of general management, you should get a copy of the Nutshell Booklet No. 5, on "The Canary," which our manager would send you for 2d., post free.
NORWICH CONTINUALLY MOULTING (R. W.).—You are probably keeping the bird under unsuitable conditions, where it is exposed to cold draughts or extremes of temperature. It may be too near a fire, which goes out at night and leaves the situation very cold in the early morning hours, after being correspondingly warm by day.

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or it may be near or over a burning light in the evenings. Any or all of these exciting causes must be removed before you can hope to remedy the effect. Keep the bird in a fairly equable temperature, not necessarily very warm, nor yet quite on the cold side, and see that it is free from direct cold draughts. Give a staple diet of a mixture of three-parts canary seed to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, millet, teazle, and broken groats, and on the alternate days a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed. Dissolve half a drachm of ammoniated citrate of iron and quinine in an ounce of sherry, add a teaspoonful of glycerine, and give twenty drops of this mixture in the drinking water two days in every three for a week, and then every second day until the feathers cease dropping. Continue this treatment generally until the moulting is quite stopped. The bird is not likely to sing until the moulting is stopped, but should resume its full song soon after that time.

EARLY PREPARATIONS (B. K.).—It would have been very helpful if you had said whether the old buff cock was from an even-marked strain, and also whether the pair of old birds are related at all, as it would enable me to give a more definite reply. As you mention no markings, I take it that the five young yellows are all clears. If you wish to try exclusively for even marks, you might as well discard the young buff cock with mark on head, and run six pairs instead of seven, but if you decide to mate him, get a tail or wing-marked hen from an even-marked strain to pair him with, and let the wing marks, if a wing-marked is selected, be very light, say, three or four feathers in each wing. As regards your definite questions. (1) Yes, put the old pair together again on the chance of a marked bird being produced, in which case pair it back the following season to the parent of the opposite sex. (2) If the breeder from whom you got the old pair runs a stock of any size, particularly if he has a strain of even-marked birds, it would be an advan-

tage rather than otherwise to get the birds for mating with your young ones from that source, but you should ask for stock that is not closely related to the old pair. Or, you may get three of the five birds that come of an even-marked strain from elsewhere. The latter course would enable you to go on longer without introducing fresh blood. (3) You should get hens of an even-marked strain, and as closely approaching marked specimens as you can get failing actually even or uneven marked birds. At the same time you must see that they match your birds as well as possible in colour, type, and other essential features. Besides the hen suggested above for the buff cock, have at least three marked or ticked birds, wing and eye marks preferred, and two clears from even marked parents. Avoid splashes of colour on head or breast.

A YORKSHIRE DUET (M. S.).—(1) Place the hen in a fairly warm position for a time, but do not overdo the thing, and give half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake, with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, every second day for a week or so, and on the alternate days give in the water five drops each of oxymel of squills, ipecacuanha wine and sweet spirit of nitre. You should be careful to avoid as far as possible a very great drop in the temperature during the night. This may be the cause of the bird's trouble. (2) It is useless speculating about the cause of this bird's sudden death. Most probably it was the result of an apoplectic seizure, but nothing short of a post-mortem could reveal it with any degree of certainty.

TO EXTERMINATE GREY LICE (Danree, U.S.A.).—If the birds are at all badly infested, the quickest and surest method of clearing out the lice is to hand-wash the birds twice with an interval of a week between, and in the first two waters used in the process mix a little Croolin—a teaspoonful to a pint of water. Whilst the birds are drying, also clean the cages, and thoroughly wash them, and all perches and appliances, with a warm solution of Croolin, of the strength named. For a week or two from the time of the first washing give a bath every third day with a teaspoonful of sulphuretted potash dissolved in each pint of the bathing water. If you are not skilful at hand-washing, and cannot get it done for you, give the potash bath alone every second day until all trace of the insects has quite disappeared, but in following this method you must not omit the cleaning and washing of the cages and appliances twice a week either with the Croolin or the potash solution; either may be employed.

BORDERS SHELLING SEED (T. H.).—The birds are suffering from digestive derangement, and the following treatment should soon set matters right. Give a staple diet of three-parts canary to one part summer rape. In addition, give separately every second day a piece of bread and milk the size of a small walnut, sprinkled with soft sugar, to each bird, and if it is obtainable in good condition a small spray of watercress, and on the alternate days give half a teaspoonful of a mixture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle and millet, and a morsel of banana. In the drinking water give six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence every second day for a week, and afterwards substitute four drops each of tincture of gentian, tincture of calumba, and dilute sulphuric acid every second day for a fortnight or so.

SWELLING ON LEG (Miss E. Young).—At an earlier stage than this it might have been useful to paint the swelling with tincture of iodine, but it is too late now, as it would only increase the irritation and make the bird pick it more. It is undoubtedly a serious abscess, and only two courses are now open to you, either of which should only be carried out by a qualified veterinary surgeon or a kindly disposed medical man. First, injections of iodine, to cause absorption; secondly, free incision, with after treatment to induce healing from the bottom of the abscess. It may help the bird if you keep the bowels rather free for a time by adding a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, and ten drops of lemon juice to the drinking water three or four times a week, but do not make the droppings watery loose.

BALD HEAD AND NECK (H. G.).—To be successful, treatment should coincide with a normal moult of the bird. But you may try the effect of the following treatment for a month or so. Feed as advised in the first part of reply to "Miss Nicholson," November 7, but instead of the cod liver oil and sherry in the sponge cake, slightly dust it with flour of sulphur and sprinkle with maw seed. On the days when you do not give the soft food, add to the water 20 drops of whisky, ten of lemon juice, and as much chlorate of potash as will cover a threepenny-piece. Continue to slightly moisten the bare skin with sulphur ointment twice a week for a month, but do not use it liberally enough to soil the plumage.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

FEEDING YELL. BUNTING (Novice).—The staple food for the Yellow Bunting is sound canary seed; of this they never appear to tire, but at the same time it is as well to supply them with something else. Offer a little rape, cracked hemp, small oats, maw, and any good wild seed mixture you can obtain. They should also have a little insect life occasionally. Soak a few good ants' eggs in new warm milk, drain off in a cloth, and offer in a suitable vessel; these make a nice change in diet. When you get them to eat the ants' eggs you can mix just a little good insect life food with these. All these things should be given a little at a time, so as to vary the bird's diet. You are quite right in separating the fighters, they can perhaps be put together later on. Let them see each other if it can be managed.

FEEDING A TWITE (Springburn).—Your birds should do well on the food you are giving them, although I would advise you to slightly increase the quantity of teazle. Twites are very liable to put on flesh, and should not be fed heavily with fattening seeds. To give salts occasionally is good, but I would not give the iron, they do not need it unless they are low in condition or are recovering from some illness. You make no mention of green food or wild seeds; you should supply these, only see that the green food is not touched with fro. If you have no wild seeds stored you can obtain some in packet form from any good corn merchant. Are you supplying plenty of good sharp sand or grit? This is necessary.

LINNET IN MOULT (A. Phillips).—No doubt the fright had something to do with your Linnet dropping into a soft moult. You do not say how you are feeding him, but I would advise the following:—For stock mixture give canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape, charlock, linseed, 1 part each. Make

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up another mixture of equal parts gosh of pleasure, niger, and maw; give a spoonful of this twice a week, and a spoonful of good wild seed mixture on other days. Three times a week crack a little gosh for him. This should help to bring him along, and get him once more into condition, when the dropping of feathers will cease. An occasional dose of Chemical Food in his drinking water will not do any harm just now; put a small teaspoonful in two tablespoonfuls of water that has been previously boiled. Keep him in an even temperature free from draughts, and let him bathe on bright days; he should do this in the early part of the day.

PLAN OF AVIARY (E. F. Thregey).—I have examined your plan and would advise one or two alterations, or I fear your aviary will not be a success. In theory, small holes for birds to enter a building look quite right, but we find that although birds can find their way out of a building through these openings, they seldom re-enter, and they certainly would not do so in your case, because the interior would be much too dark for them. Birds always fly to the light, and to get them to fly in any particular direction we must see that they have it. I would therefore advise you to cut a large opening about 3ft. long by 2ft. deep in place of the holes shown in your plan of partition. The board to fit into this opening could be made to work on hinges, so that you could close it when required. You should also have a good large window in the building, and it should be placed above the sliding panel shown in the drawing; 3ft. long by 1ft. deep would be about right. The ventilation holes, if required, should be at the top of the building, not at the bottom, and they should be covered with perforated zinc. Respecting the outside portion, I would advise you to cover in part of it or it will get terribly wet in damp weather. (2) Do not overcrowd a dozen pairs should do very well. With these alterations you would have an excellent aviary. Our book on "Aviaries, Etc.," would be useful to you.

BULLFINCH CAPING (W. G. S.).—Give your bird an occasional dose of glauher salts, as much as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonfuls of water, and vary the diet. A Bullfinch should be fed as follows:—Make a seed mixture of canary two parts, teazle and rape one part each, linned half part. Give a spoonful of wild seed mixture twice a week, and a little sunflower seed daily. A small quantity of hemp and maw seed can be given as tit-bits. If she will eat soft food, give a cube of bread soaked in hot milk, with just a dusting of sugar on it; let her have this twice a week until better. Supply her with privet berries, piece of apple, or other fruit, besides green food when obtainable. Put her in a cage large enough for her to fly and stretch her wings. Give the bath on suitable days. With this treatment your bird should soon recover. It is just possible you have been giving her too much hemp seed, consequently she is far too fat.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Siskin," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 5 "Bullfinch," No. 6 "Chaffinch," No. 7 "Greenfinch," No. 8 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Tit," No. 9 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 10 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 11 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 12 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 13 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

GOLDFINCHES BREEDING IN CAPTIVITY (Thomas).—Sorry your birds did not manage to rear the young ones, as you appear to have kept them well supplied with wild food; you deserved better success. You have quite room for a couple more pairs. Next year try them with soaked seeds and a little egg and biscuit as supplied to canaries. I have known them rear on this food. I am not so sure about your birds returning if you had allowed them out, a pair of Greenfinches I had once did so, and reared the young, but then I did not care much if they did or not, which appears to make a difference in these matters. (2) I think you would do well to try and mate up your pairs of Goldies before turning them out. (3) It would not be safe to put more than one pair of Bullfinches in the same aviary, the hens are inclined to be quarrelsome. (4) Yes, English and Foreign Goldies may be mated together providing there is no great disparity in the size of them. I would advise you to stick to English Bullies. (5) You would find Greenfinches, Linnets and Redpolls as suitable as any for breeding purposes.

BULLFINCH BARE OF FEATHERS (Buller).—You are evidently not feeding your bird quite correctly, and I would advise you to send for our Nutshell Booklet on the Bullfinch, which can be sent to you post free for 2d. You had better discontinue the millet and hemp seed, and procure a packet of wild seed mixture, and give a spoonful of it three times a week. Let the bird have a little sunflower seed every day. Your great mistake has been in not keeping him supplied with green food and berries. To should have some daily, not a lot, but just a tray of watercress, chickweed, shepherd's purse, &c.; see that it is free from frost; also give a daily pinch of privet berries, or a piece of apple or other fruit. Before commencing this change of diet give an aperient of Glauber Salts, as much as will cover a sixpence dissolved in two tablespoonfuls of water, and anoint the bare place with a little fresh lard.

TREATING A GOLDFINCH (Distressed).—The mistake you made was in treating your birds as though they had been caged for a long time, whereas just possible they were only freshly caught. When you buy again, keep in separate cages and lace in a quiet corner of the birdroom; supply them with a little cracked hemp, teazle, niger, maw, linned, and canary, also cracked sunflower. If you can get some good wild seed mixture, supply a little of it in the bottom of the cage. Soak some rape seed teazle, not a lot, just a taste to keep them going until they are well on to dry food. You should also give a spray of green food. After you have had them a couple or three days, give as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonfuls of water. Give this for one day only, and repeat in a week. With this treatment you should manage to keep your birds—that is, of course, providing they are healthy when they arrive.

BULLFINCH BARE OF FEATHERS (C. T. Jarvis).—I think you must have misunderstood my previous answer. It was not red mite that I feared but the grey lice that live on the bird. These are most difficult pests to get rid of, but with a single bird, if he has them you should be able to manage by careful washing in soap and water and rinsing in water that has had some essence of

quassa mixed with it. After the wash the bird should be placed in a thoroughly clean cage, one that has been recently scrubbed and dried. Just smear the bare places with carbolic vasoline, this will assist the feathers to grow. Do not feed on stimulating seeds. Give a little sunflower daily but no hemp, and the Finch mixture only occasionally, say twice a week. Let his staple food be equal parts canary and teazle and half-part amaranth rape. Offer a spray of privet berries daily, and a little greenfood or apple free from frost. Let him bathe on suitable occasions, but not after mid-day.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

FOREIGN DOVES (Depressed).—(1) If your birds are the small Diamond Doves (Geopelia cuneata) they are worth 25s. to 30s., but the name you use is new to me. (2) Once they settle down to breeding these little Doves are very prolific, and you cannot do better than leave them to themselves, and hope for better luck next season. I have not found this species at all partial to boxes to nest in; with me they have always preferred to construct a fragile nest of short twigs and straws in branches, or a living tree or bush. As regard dietary, I have always found mine to live mainly on canary and millet seed, and if these two are in sufficient bulk in your mixture, then nothing more is required. I should, however, supply a little flint grit, as sold for the purpose. Keep a piece of rock salt in the aviary. (3) Providing you do not live in the far north, and your shelter has a rain-proof roof, and draughtproof walls, the Doves, if as above, should comfortably pass the winter in the aviary.

HOW CAN I START? (J. J. P. K.).—Your best plan will be to begin by covering the floor with linoleum or sheet zinc, to prevent sand, etc., from going between the boards. Then erect a lobby of light framing and wire netting inside the room, the room door to open into this lobby; about three feet square will be large enough for the lobby. Light wood frames covered with wire netting will be required to fix over the window, fireplace, skylight, and ventilators, if any. Then some dead fir trees or twiggy branches should be securely fixed in large pots or boxes and stood round the room, the

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

centre of the room being left open for flight exercise. Round the walls, in the branches, nest-boxes, rush nests, and cocoa-nut husks must be fixed—a numerous supply of these saves much bickering during the nesting season. For a bath some kind of shallow dish will be required. A whole-plate shallow porcelain photo developing dish, standing in the centre of a large tray, is the best arrangement, as by this means the room floor is kept dry, and on the tray round bath there can be pots of growing grass, canary seed, etc. What I have suggested would be much better than the large cage, and not be costly if you do the work yourself, and be better for the birds and enable you to enjoy them to a very different degree than if caged. There must be several food dishes to prevent quarrelling. Into such a room you could turn pairs of Zebra Finches, Cutthroats, and Avadavats, Bronze, Magpie, Black-headed and White-headed Mannikins, Gold-breast, Orange-cheek and Grey Waxbills, Bib, Spice, Diamond, and Finches, Silverbills, Bengalese, and Java Sparrows, Grey and Green Singing Finches—all fairly cheap, hardy and easily kept birds, which would make a really nice display; all the above are hardbills. If the above is out of your reach, then simply put up as large a flight as you can inside the room, from floor to ceiling, proceeding on similar lines to above, and select birds from above list according to size of flight.

FOODS (Monroe, U.S.A.).—The sample seeds are of fair average quality. The Jap. Robin should get soft food, ripe fruit, live insects (mealworms, gentles, spiders, etc.), and about a teaspoonful of white millet seed twice a week. Re wire, 15 and 20 gauge respectively would meet the case. I am assuming that by Jap. Robin you mean Lithothraupis. The gravel you refer to will meet the case quite well. I should not give the pounded shell; either stick to gravel or get proper flint grit from some bird stores. Re soft food, any good make of dog or puppy biscuit makes a good base, but it must be crushed or ground to the size of small millet seed. Get from some bird stores 1lb. each dried Ant's eggs and dried flies, crush 2lbs. of dog or puppy biscuit, and mix the whole together; this will keep indefinitely stored in a dustproof tin, and kept in a dry cupboard. For use, take the required portion, and make it crumbly moist with boiling water, then add a little crumbled sponge-cake and grated cheese, well stir together and supply to the birds.

GREEN AMAZON (E. J. Col.).—Most pleased to hear so good a report. I think, however, that the irregular moulting is an aftermath of the previous trouble, and will pass in due course. Keep a watch on the birds' bowels, and keep them moving freely, also give twice weekly half a teaspoonful of Syrup of Hypophosphites in the drinking water, and regularly dust its boiled maize lightly with flour of sulphur, keeping up this treatment for quite a little time. In the case of any recurrence of a fit, repeat the former treatment at once.

ARE THEY GOOD FOR A SHAMA? (A. M. B.).—Gentles, that is, well cleaned ones, those which are white, and do not show the internal organs black, are good for Shammas, and all insect-eating birds that will take them. They should be kept in sand or bran—I prefer the latter—in a tin or glass jar, over which a covering should be placed; thin muslin will do; if the cover is metal, one or two fine holes must be punched in it. They must be kept in a cold place to prevent them turning into pupae quickly; however, the bird will eat the pupae almost as readily as the grub. A small teaspoonful twice daily should suffice.

AILING GREY (Emily Owen).—You must send me full details as to how you have been feeding and treating this bird, before I can attempt to give you a reply. The fee for a reply per post is sixpence, see rules. In the meanwhile, dissolve 2 drops of laudanum in two tablespoonfuls of chilled

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Ashton, Denton and Hyde Amalg.—Dec. 8, St. George's School, Church Street, Hyde, 8. Delegate meeting.—T. Allsop.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.20. Annual meeting. Election of officers, rules, etc. Prize-money for show.—E. Johnson.

Bolton C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Joiners' Arms, 8. Entries for Amalgamated show.—J. Gerrard.

Barry F. and F.S.—Dec. 8, headquarters, 8. Nominations of officers and committee for 1915. Pleas to say we were able to hand the sum of £5 12s. to the St. John's Ambulance from our members' show.—H. P. Thomas.

Bedford and Beds. United C.B.S.—Dec. 10, 96, Coventry Road, 8. Appointment of auditors; date of annual meeting, etc.—A. Simons.

Birmingham South O.S.—Dec. 9, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.30. Final arrangements for members' Xmas show. Very urgent.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Rôler C.S.—Dec. 8, Joiners' Arms, 8. Final arrangements for open contest.—J. Kilshaw.

Brandon Colliery C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Social Club, 7. Show business; members please attend so that we can put ourselves in working order.—G. Reed.

Brighton and Hove C.B.A.—Dec. 9, headquarters, Chapside. Table show, 18 classes, judging at 8. 14 specials as per schedules; judges, Messrs. C. Pearson, A. Goble.—W. H. Gibb.

British Roller C.C.—Dec. 8, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martin's-Grand, 8.—J. W. Norris.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 5, Flying Dutchman, 8. General business. Balance-sheet for open show.—W. Helliwell.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.E.S.—Dec. 12, Three Tuns, Eastwood, 7. To settle up open show business; will members bring ticket-money and oblige.—Smith and Lees.

Cowdenbeath C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Waverley Rooms, 6.30.—A. Robertson.

Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, 8. Prize-money and report of annual show.—H. Legg.

Darlington C.B.S.—Dec. 9, George Hotel, 7.30. Prize-money to pay, and other bus.—H. Todd.

Denton C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Brotherhood Rooms, 8. Important bus; subs. due.—W. Redfern.

Darvel C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Town Hall, 7.30. Table show Brit.: Goldf., Bullf., Linnet, Greenf., Lesser Redpoll, and Siskin.—J. Fairfull.

Ealing and Hanwell F.S.—Dec. 5, St. John's Memorial Hall, Lealand Road, West Ealing. Annual day show. All fanciers welcome. Open at 1.—K. Bamber.

Ecclefehill C.B.A.—Dec. 5, Fountain Inn, 8. Important. Something for you, so please come.—S. Wilcock.

Eastleigh C.B.S.—Dec. 14, headquarters, 8. Reports of show, presentation of shield and medals, and other bus.—J. Alderslade.

Edinburgh North Eastern O.S.—Dec. 7, Regent Hall, Abbeymont, 8. New members enrolled, and election of office-bearers.—R. S. Spence.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Selecting auditors, and other business. Members please bring ticket-money, etc.—W. Dawson.

Felling-on-Tyne F. and F.S.—Dec. 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 6.30. Business re half-yearly show.—W. Stockton.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Headquarters, 8. Final show business.—W. Curry.

Great Horton O.S.—Dec. 5, Butchers' Arms, 3. Also members' show; birds staged 3; judge, Mr. S. Wilcock.—J. Holroyd.

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Dec. 8, Amethyst Club, 110, Church Street, 8 to 10. Prize-money for annual show will be paid out.—R. W. Ford, inn.

Huddersfield O.S.—Dec. 7, Headquarters, 8. Kindly bring entries for open show.—A. Lawford.

Hull C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Oddfellows' Hall, 7.30. Final arrangements for Dec. show.—W. Farnandis.

Hixton C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Commercial Inn, Awworth Road, 7. Important.—G. Siddown.

Islington F.A.—Dec. 7, headquarters, 8.30. General business.—W. T. Amery.

Keighley C.B.S.—Dec. 8, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Report of show and stewards for Boxing Day.—C. W. Town.

Leeds Roller C.C.—Dec. 5, Lockhart's, 7.30. Will members who promised to bring birds do so? Mr. Walton promises to give his version of value of song-points at a judging competition.—H. Best.

Littlesborough C.B.S.—Dec. 9, headquarters, 8. Final arrangements members' show. Entry night. Subs. due.—J. R. Windle.

ROSEATE COCKATOO (A. W. C., Brighton).—I am afraid, unless you can give me more data, I cannot help you much, as there is really nothing for me to go upon. Is there any swelling or the sign of internal or external inflammation about the feet or toes? In the meantime, bathe the feet in hot water (not hot enough for discomfort), dry with a soft cloth, and then paint the parts he bites at with Friar's Balsam. Also put one teaspoonful of Dinneford's Magnesia in the drinking water every other day till the bowels have been fully relieved. When writing on other matters, state how you have been feeding, and generally treating it.

GREEN AMAZON (F. Lamb).—You must give me the full history of the trouble before I can help you, as you have not written till the case is really acute, and at the same time inform me how you have been feeding and treating it generally. In such an emergency I should certainly give a little milk sop, stirring in three or four drops of brandy. Also let it have free access to the seed. Boiled maize would also be good for it at this time. Boil the maize till soft, but the corn should remain whole; drain away all water, and supply to the bird. This only keeps fresh one day, so must be prepared fresh daily. A little honey and borax should be put in the mouth from the end of a stick once or twice daily, but the stick must be well cleansed before being put in the mixture again. However, I consider that if you have a vet. near it would be better to take the bird to him for examination.

HEATING BIRD-ROOM (Old Reader, A.J.).—I do not care to advise an oil-stove, though such are used, and I have used them myself without mishap, but then I attend to it myself, and everything lies in the way it is looked after; however, if you have an oil stove, it must be on your own responsi-

Llanelly C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important matters for members, and schedule of coming show.—D. John.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Dec. 5, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, 8. Mr. E. Pretty will give a lecture, "The Breeding of the Modern Norwich Plainhead."—W. Gilbert.

London C.B.A.—Dec. 8, "El Vino," 8. General business.—F. Knight.

Lancashire and Lizard F.A.—Dec. 6, Volunteer Inn, George Street, Oldham, 6. Club show business.—J. Rakin.

Leds C.B.S.—Members' meeting postponed until Dec. 12; table show of hens will be held. Classes: Yorks., Nor., A.O.V., Can., Brit. The last show for Hattersley tracts. Nomination of officers for the ensuing year, etc.—E. Norton.

Liverpool B.B.A.—Dec. 10, Oldham Hall, 7.45. Pair show, etc. Judges, J. Abbott, F. Handley, and R. Bratherton.—J. Lloyd.

Manchester and Northern Counties O.S.—Dec. 7, Deansgate, 8. January show business. Please excuse error of date in last week's issue.—F. Wilkinson.

Metropolitan C.B.A.—Dec. 10, Kelvedon Hall, Waltham Green, 8. Report of annual show, arrangements for 1915, and other important bus.—H. F. Bowring.

Middlesbrough and Tees-Side C.B.S.—Nov. 7, Crown Hotel, 7.30. Federation business, important.—J. Swinsco. (Probably Dec. 5 is meant.—Editor.)

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Dec. 8, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Balance-sheet of amalgamated members' show. All outstanding subs. should be paid to enable yearly balance to be made.—J. G. Royce.

Oldham and Dis. C.B.A.—Dec. 8, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. Lecture on the Yorkshire Canary, by Mr. J. Schofield, Falsworth. Fanciers and friends invited.—J. Cope.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Lecture on British by Mr. Fairhurst.—A. W. Newton.

Pudsey Stanningley C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Fleece Hotel, 8. Election of stewards for Boxing-day. Gift class, etc.—H. Raistrick.

Partick C.B.C.—Dec. 4, Forrester's Halls. Members are requested to return unsold tickets and moneys collected; specials, etc., for annual show.—F. G. Park. (Time not stated.—Ed.)

Rochdale Affiliated Societies.—Dec. 12, R.O.C., Clarke's Place, Baillicott, Rochdale, 7. Details for show, election of sec.; balance-sheet; please attend early.—W. Adams.

Sheffield O.S.—Dec. 8, Rose and Crown Hotel, 8. Election of officers 1915. Entries close for members' show same date.—E. C. Job.

Spenn Valley C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Commercial Hotel, 8. Arrangements for Boxing-day show, and other bus.—S. B. Grayson.

St. James-the-Less, Bethnal Green.—Dec. 7, Men's Club, St. James Road, 8. Distribution of cash and special prizes. Members, please settle for tickets to ensure early balance-sheet.—T. G. Bransford.

Southampton C.B.S.—Dec. 7, Waterloo Temperance Hotel, London Road, 8.30. Paying of prize-money. Washing exhibition by Mr. G. Gamble. Non-members welcome.—W. J. Page.

South London Col. and F.A.—Dec. 10, headquarters, 7.45. General meeting and nomination of officers for 1915.—G. Burton.

Sowby Bridge C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Wharf Hotel, 8. Annual show business; important.—G. Mitchell.

Stoke-on-Trent C.B.A.—Dec. 7, Red Lion Hotel, 8. Washing exhibition by Mr. P. Barker and Mr. J. Pitchford; Boxing-day show arrangements.—J. Pitchford.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Dec. 5, headquarters, 7.30. Further classification (L. and L.F.A.); tickets given out; show business.—J. Peacock.

Tong C.B.S.—Dec. 8, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.45. Open show balance-sheet.—W. Walker.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Dec. 9, Cardiff Arms Hotel, 8. Yearly subs. and entry fees F.F. shows.—H. Watts.

Wakley C.B.S.—Dec. 10, Westmorland Street Mission Hall, 8. Annual meeting; election of officers, payment of prize-money. Table show young birds. Please bring ticket-money.—C. Tomlinson. (Kindly forward address.—Ed.)

Walsand, Mid-Tyne C.B.A.—Dec. 9, Station Hotel, 7. Balance-sheet read and other important business.—G. Greenwell.

Wimbledon C.B.S.—Dec. 7, 6, The Broadway, 8. Schedule of members' show. Judging competition Yorkshire; final judge, Mr. P. Rorke. Members kindly bring birds; silver medal for best bird.—G. Griffiths.

Winchill C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Nomination of officers for 1915. Open show arrangements. Tea and concert. Balance-sheet for members' show. Subs. now due.—Taylor and Ellis.

West Cornforth Linnet S.S.—Dec. 5, 6.15. Pie supper and singing contests.—Wm. Fairless.

Wibsey C.B.S.—Dec. 5, Horse and Groom Inn, 7.—W. Chapman.

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SINGER treadle sewing machine, in good order, sell £1 10/.

EXCHANGE, two cocks, three hens, Yorkshires and six compartment breeding cage, for anything useful, or sell, 34/.

TWO grand Curly Retriever bitch pups, six weeks, 6/- each; exchange birds or live stock; or offers: Henson, 71, Old Mill-lane, Mansfield Woodhouse, Notts.

HEALTHY 1514 Norwich cock Canaries; sell 5/- each or exchange lady's cycle or anything useful; approval: Hardiman, Carey's-cotts, Brockenhurst, Hants.

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FOUR prize-bred golden-fawn Belgian hares, three months, 2/6 each; trap cage and call bird and spring net trap, 3/-; exchange anything: Cavell, Ruskington, Leicestershire.

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GENTLEMAN'S evening dress suit, fit man 5ft. 6in., cost £4, Macbeth's, hardly used; what offers in Canaries: Russell, Wimbourne-st., Newton Heath, Manchester.

XMAS presents: Ladies' toilet case, containing 12 articles, new, 12/6; good leather letter case, 5/-; exchange common Roller hens: Collins, 57, Woodgreen, Wednesbury.

EXCHANGE, splendid muzzle-loader, kill long distance, guaranteed perfect condition, powder flask, etc., only 8/6, bargain: Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham.

WANTED, offers in poultry or anything useful for pair good Yorkshires, Cinnamon cock, stout Norwich cock, and muling Finch; offers to: D. Hall, Market Place, Evesham.

BUFF Yorkshire hen, 1913, mkd., 5/-, 114 "Cage Birds" weeklies 4/-, dog's chain and collar 2/6; offers exchange: Manning, 16, Exeter-rd., Bedminster, Bristol.

FOR sale, one pair of Yorkshires, Thomas strain, 10/-; one Yorkshire-German cross cock, 5/-; or exchange: James Schofield, 317, Rochdale-rd., High Crompton, Shaw.

SHOPKEEPERS and others: Sign writing, ticket-writing, display, sale, Xmas poster writing executed promptly, neatly; exchange birds, cages, anything: Cypher, Bedwas.

CLEAR body Dark Crested cock, H.M. Goldfinch cock, bird net 9ft. 6in.; complete; exchange Norwich cock and 2 hens; yours first: C. Roberts, Broxburnham, Corwen.

EXCHANGE, 30 h.m. British Mules and hen Canaries, for Prim's field glasses, or gun, value £3; offers: must clear: Fendorn, 10, North-st., Herne Bay, Kent.

PEDIGREE Collie dog for sale, 15 months old, photo sent, price £3; or would exchange for good gramophone and records; approval; particulars: Pipkin, 41, Oak-rd., Luton.

SALE or exchange five hen Goldfinch Mules and one Greenfinch Mule, pair of Bullfinches, two cock Goldfinches for poultry or sale 12/-; S. Eaton, Red Row, Ramms, Wellington.

PRIZE-BRED Norwich, Davies, Hodder, Vardy strains, splendid stock pairs, 15/-; cocks, 10/-; exchange new boots, trousers to measure: Burgess, Eastover, Bridgewater.

SPLENDID cross Greyhound-Airedale bitch, 18 months, extra fast, silent chaser, true to hold, grand worker, 18/-; offers: exchange: Lawrence, Stone row, Coalville, Leicestershire.

WANTED two cock Canaries or Mules, singing, exchange six ivory handled knives, with nickel-silver forks to match; new; approval: Robinson, 3, Shrimpton-rd., Retford.

EXCHANGE two Birchen Bantam hens, one cock-erel, for a pair of large Crests or for a pair of Scotch Fance; must be good and cock birds: Barkly, White House, Appleforth, Malton.

PEDIGREE black Toy Pom. bitch, six months, over distemper, exchange for lady's bike or Canaries (Norwich preferred) or sell for £3; approval: Rolington, Canterbury-rd., Whitstable.

FLOWER roots, wallflowers, 1/ per 100; Brompton stocks, sweet williams, sweet rockets, Canterbury bells, all 6d. per 25; exchange birds: D. Coombes, Stockton-st., West Hartlepool.

FOR sale or exchange a very good Airedale bitch, 11 months old, good guard, price 15/-; or exchange Linnets and hops: J. Jolly, 4, Gibon-st., Middlestone Moor, Spennymoor, Durham.

48-KEYED English concertina in case (maker, Wheatstone, London), good condition, cost £5 5/-; sell 50/- or part exchange Canaries, foreign birds; offers: Reed, 519, Harrow-rd., London.

GIANT bushy-tailed dormice, 3/6 pair; glass-fronted cages, 1/6; exhibition mice, all colours, from 4/- dozen; rats, from 4/- dozen; stocks purchased: Pearson's Mouse Farm, Greenwich.

EXCHANGE Edison home phonograph, with large brass horn and stand, 5 dozen records, value £3, for Pomeranian stud dog; offers considered: Massingham, 213, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds.

COMEDIAN'S comic soldier song, with music, and sole rights, cost £3, bargain 30/-; or will exchange; what offers in British or foreign birds, or cages: Comedian, 21, Portland-rd., Blackpool.

WILL exchange one pair of lady's boots or one dress length or suit length for two cock Canaries in song, or five hens or three pairs of Bullfinches: Cummings, 4, Richmond-terr., Leeds.

PAIR Yorkshires, cinnamon cock, yellow hen, also hand camera, Yorkshire case and cages, holds two; exchange Norwich yellow hens, must be good type and heads: Bond, Lamplsey, Pembroke-shire.

PAIR Yorkshire Canaries (clears) 10/6; Border cock, beautiful singer, 5/6; quarter-plate folding camera 21/-, lenses, etc.; exchange anything; bargains: Utley, Hope-place, Liverpool.

EXCHANGE for good unfledged Norwich, chiefly hens, modern half-plate camera, Ieastigmar lens, 3 slides, case, tripod, cost £7 as new; birds first; particulars, stamp: Craven, Knight-st., Halifax.

EXCHANGE double-barrel improved muzzle gun, by Mills, London, for good house-moulted Goldfinches; two good working ferrets, sell 6/6; approval: Battison, 26, Goodhall-st., Wilkesden Junction, N.W.

EXCHANGE splendidly bred Crests, Crestbreds and Norwich Plainheads (mated) for young, small, low to ground, short-bodied, good headed Red Pekin-see stud dog; approval; sell £20: Gadd, Friston, Saxmundham.

THREE Cinnamon hens, huffs, yellow and green; large healthy birds, 5/- each, 12/6 lot; bargain: new show basket, 3 cages, 8/6; bargains; exchange Bantams, pullets: Arthur Fletcher, Sedgfield, Co. Durham.

FOR sale, or exchange, Canaries' breeding cage, 5ft. 6in. by 2ft. 6in. by 1ft., 10 compartments, slides for each compartment, scarcely been soiled, 25/-; or offers in birds: W. Eracs, 64, Barborough-st., New Cross, S.E.

WILL exchange boots, clothing, cycle tyres, household goods, etc., or articles of any description for birds, puppies, or other livestock, reliable dealings only; Cooper's Exchange Stores, 163, Princess-st., Manchester.

WHITE rubber wringer rollers, 17in. by 4in., takes largest blankets and quilts, condition as new, cost 3 guineas, sell 25/-; exchange Canary cocks, Bantams, offers: Whitmore, 26, Landor-rd., Stockwell, London.

EXCHANGE Canaries or offers; strongly made cage, with iron bars, zinc dome top, sand drawer, 19 by 14 by 20 inches high, green enamelled; suitable for monkey or parrot: Pharmacy, 82, Smith-st., Kirkdale, Liverpool.

CAVIES, self reds, boar and 2 sows (boar a winner), all prize bred, 2 boars, 2 sows, 9 months, bred from above, all in grand condition; sell cheap; or exchange Canaries, anything useful: Steevens, Waverley-Chambers, Harrogate.

WANTED, Canaries, surplus stock, anything useful; exchange grand Yorkshire dog pups, 5 months, 2lb. weight, good coat and colour, champion pedigree, 45/- each; approval: Broomfield, Herbert-rd., Small Heath, Birmingham.

BULL Terrier bitch, 10 months, good guard, work rats, rabbits; used nets, ferrets; 12/6; exchange large game, cage birds; long rabbit net, 107 yards, never used, 50/-; wanted, noiseless gun: Close, 32, Duffry-st., Mountain Ash, Glam.

GENUINE mulling Linnet and cinn. mkd. Norwich hen, 10/6; one buff mule, one yellow variegated, cocks, from above, sell 12/6 each; or exchange any for a good yellow Plainhead hen; no rubbish offered or wanted: Street, 69, Park-rd., Crouch End, London.

EXCHANGE handsome musical box, plays 20 tunes, for genuine Schoolmaster Glucke Roller (B.R.C.C. rung) and cage, or good joiner-made breeding and stock cages; other offers considered; yours first: Cullen, 328, Manchester-rd., Poplar, London.

THREE blue Dutch does, of good pure breed, adults; buck and doe, Angoras, pair Pile Game Bantams, pair of Black-red Game Bantams; what offers Canaries, cocks or hens, or cock Mules: George Smith, Fruitier, Flackwell Heath, Bucks.

H.M. GOLDIE and Siskin, Mealy Redpoll and Sib. hen, both bred young this year, for Green-Crest hen; three Norwich cocks, 1914, for another Crest or Crest-bred hen; must have good heads for stock: Boyd, Glenpark-terrace, Eastfield, Cambuslang, Glasgow.

WANTED brilliant Parakeet, talking Parrots, small foreigners, large Norwich, long Yorkshires, Goldfinch Mules, cocks (colour-fed), house-moulted Goldfinches, Siskins, Linnets, for cash, or exchange, treadle sewing machine, equal new, cost £7 10/-; Lanham, 36, Watcot-st., Bath.

WANTED, Canaries or foreign birds, must be outdoor or cold-room bred, in exchange for 3ft. 6in. Chippendale cabinet gramophone on castors, with record cupboard enclosed, double-spring motor, 33 double-sided records, practically unused, would sell £5: Jackson, 86, Station-rd., Wood Green, London, N.

EXCHANGE household goods, boots, clothing, cycle tyres, cutlery, air-guns, and goods of all descriptions, for live stock of any kind whatever; hundreds of testimonials from all over England; wanted birds, fowls, pups, or anything alive: Jopson's Exchange Stores, 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester.

SHEPHERD'S best table cutlery, tools or electroplate given in exchange for Canaries; No. 1 parcel, £1 parcel of cutlery; No. 2 parcel, £1 value in household or joiner's tools; No. 3 parcel, electroplated tea service, value £1. We will exchange either lot for 4 cocks or 8 hen Canaries in good health: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield, Estab. 1900.

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

Aquarium.

GOLDFISH aquarium, square shape, glass sides, quite new, cost 6/6; sell 4/6 carriage paid: A. Hampson, Hunstanton.

40,000 FISH fanciers! Send stamp for "Aquarium Management"; fish exchanged for birds, birds for fish: Fisheries, 16, Mountvernon-rd., Liverpool. (1914)

GOLDFISH, all sizes, rare fish, plants, snails, aquaria, etc., list free; catalogue of aquaria and vivaria, 1d.: L. Cura and Sons, Vine-st., Clerkenwell-rd., London, E.C.

GOLDFISH

first direct importation of cold water gold fish, since the war commenced, 2/- doz., 6/- 100; medium, 3/- doz., 12/- 100; large, 4/- and 6/- doz.; earp, all sizes, 1/6 doz., 5/- 100; minnow, 6d. doz.; carp, 100; Gudgeon, 1/- doz.; roach, 1/- doz.; plants, snails, globes, etc.; price lists: De Von and Co., 114, Bethnal Green-rd., London. 'Phono 5.489 Wall.

Cats.

HANDSOME black Persian neuter, long pedigree, house trained, 18 months, 10/-; Mrs. Harper, Hardwick House, Wellington.

MISS BALAAM, Park Hill, Wellington, has for disposal good pedigree blue Persian kittens, five months old, males and females; particulars and prices on application.

BEAUTIFUL blue Persian queens for sale, 7 and 8 months old, good eyes, good coats; sire, Bonnie Joe of Bournemouth; moderate price: Miss Browne, Lutworth, Princess-rd., Bournemouth West. (1914)

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CAVIES, all colours, from 6/- dozen; stocks purchased: Pearson's Cavy Farm, Greenwich. (1917)

CAVY-keepers Note! Nutshell 28, "Profitable Pet Cavies (or Guinea Pigs)," is now ready. Deals fully with the Housing, Breeding, Mating, Rearing, Feeding, Exhibiting, Management, Diseases, Varieties, etc., etc. Price 2d., from any of our Nutshell agents, or 2d. post free, from CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

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LOVELY lady's bicycle, Eadie coaster hub, etc., sell or exchange pin lire breech loader: Willoughby, Decorator, Wolverhampton. (1909)

GENT'S cycle, guaranteed perfect running order, enamel plating as new, free wheel, rim brakes, (Dunlop) tyres, tubes, almost new condition, accessories, only 22/6; approval, accept easy payments: Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham.

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UNDERWOOD'S champion box calf boots and shoes, newly soled and heeled, ladies 2/9; gents 3/6; girls 2/6; boys 2/9; youths 3/-; all sizes; carriage paid: Underwood, 36, York-st., Hulme, Manchester.

Ferrets.

HEALTHY, well worked ferrets, 3/6, 1013 5/-; visitors welcomed: Pearson's Ferret Farm, Green-wich. (1917)

SPLENDID ferrets, good workers, guaranteed, 4/6; excellent ones, ready to work, 3/6; all on 10 days' approval, cash or deposit: Wannop, Short-st., Carlisle. (1912)

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WANTED, to purchase all kinds pure-bred dogs, also litters puppies cheap for cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (1909)

GRAND litter Black Retriever pups, seven weeks, strong and healthy dogs 8/6, bitches 4/6: Stephens, West Drayton. (1909)

WHAT offers in rough-hair Terrier for good Black Retriever bitch, or sell 30/-: F. Parker, Viaduct-view, Holsworthy. (1906)

SMART Fox Terrier dog, well marked, good ratter, 163, Princess-st., Manchester. (1916)

BULL-AIREDALE dog, puppy, 5 months, splendid yard dog, 12/6: Martin, 14, Canal Side, Wrookwardine Wood, Wellington, Salop. (1904)

SALE, two good Yorkshire Terriers, dog and bitch, three months old, dog 17/6, bitch 12/6: White, 20, Douglas-st., Newtown, Wigan. (1906)

HANDSOME Whippet and Terrier, can kill rabbit on own run, 6/-; also two good working ferrets, 8/-: Richards, Stafford-ave., Bulwell. (1917)

TWO strong Bull-Airedale dog puppies, seven weeks, 7/6 each; bitch, 5/6; parents tackle anything: Barlow, Tobaccanist, Greenwich. (1913)

ABERDEENS, one dog, 20/-; one bitch, 12/-, four months; exchange Canaries, poultry, offers: Davison, Crow's Nest, Haddenham, Bucks. (1912)

RABBIT dog for sale, sire Morley Star, fast, and good killer; no decent offer refused; approval: Walsley, Southport-rd., Ormskirk. (1908)

HANDSOME wavy coated black Retriever bitch, good watch dog, 2 gns; cross retriever dog puppy, 6 months, 1 guinea: Unwin, Churt, Farnham. (1912)

NOTICE; almost any variety of dog, large or small, can be had at reasonable prices, and easy payments arranged; state wants: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1916)

GRAND pedigree Airedale bitch pup, three months, 25/-; or offers in anything useful or Canaries entertained: E. Watson, 26, Primrose-terrace, Mill-hill, Blackburn. (1916)

LOVELY litter Bull-Irish Terrier puppies, both parents have pedigrees, make splendid guards, 8 weeks, dogs 7/6, bitches 5/-: Goedwin, Glebe Cottage, Aysworth, Notts. (1913)

BEAUTIFUL Dalmatian puppies, from 7/6; black retriever puppies, from 15/-; fox and Irish terriers, from 10/-; retriever-Airedale dog, 10/-: Pearson, Greenwich. (1917)

BEAUTIFUL litter Pom. puppies, but crossed with Pekinese, 8 weeks, lovely coats, make perfect little pets and companions; healthy dogs 6/6, bitches 5/-: 2, Digby-st., Lenton, Nottingham. (1917)

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SPLENDID tame bushy-tailed dormice, 1/6 pair: Alfred Spicer, 392, Chesham, Bucks. (1912)

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PRIZE pedigree rabbits, on easy payment terms; English, Flemish, Dutch, Belgian, Polish, Himalayan, Angoras, and Silvers, grand, healthy stock, of highest quality; exhibition or utility, prices moderate: Walter Dandie, Osgathorpe, Sheffield. (1900)

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FEW zophonone grand opera records sale cheap: J. Palmer, junr., Enderby, Leicester. (1910)

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BALL-BEVAN concertina, 26 keys, new condition, cost £5 5/-, cash offers; exchange considered; mutual approval: Marsden, 26, Shadsworth, Blackburn. (1912)

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DOOM of the Kaiser, "Antichrist," Moni's startling 300 year-old prophecy of Brother Johannes, post free, 12 copies 1/-, 30 2/3, 100 6/6: Morgans, Ltd., 88, Chancery-lane, London. (1913)

SELF-FILLING fountain pens, fully guaranteed, 1/8, post free; Monte Carlo revolving watch, nickel plated, 2/- each: G. E. Jowett, Needham-st., Codnor, Derbyshire. (1908)

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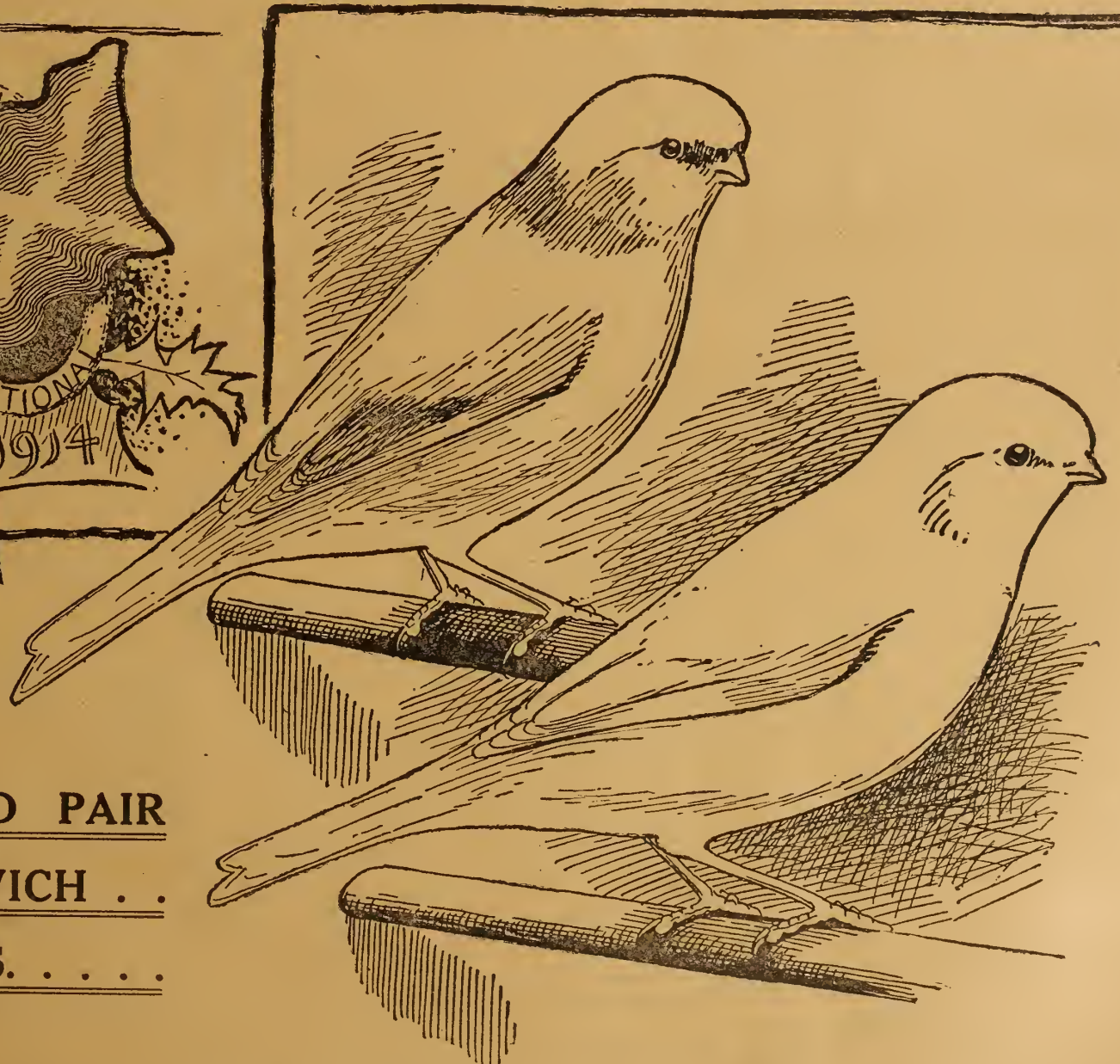
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VARIEGATED yellow cock, fed, 8/0; buff variegated cock, mounted, 8/-; two buff hens, 6/- each; off grand stock and clean moulted: Walker, Aberlour, Bank-lane. (1935)

HIGH CLASS Norwich, cocks or hens, very large, good heads, grand type, 35 years' breeder, judge of many shows; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1909)

CHAMPION Norwich, show or stock birds, clears or variegated; state wants and price prepared to pay; approval; stamp reply: Pepper, 5, Greek-st., Hawthorne-aven., Hull. (1908)

GREAT sacrifice; typical, thick set, unflighted buff Norwich hen, taken three honours, 10/-; also yellow, grand specimen, 7/0; compulsory sale: Hawkes, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1935)

BIG headed yellow Norwich cock, good quality, splendid colour, third prize winner at Plymouth in keen competition; approval; stamp: Brown, 35, Muntley Plain, Plymouth. (1922)

FIFTEEN good Norwich, some same nest winners 1st, special, two 2nds, two 4ths (Members); priced low; approval; deposit Editor: Dracup, 163, Half-moon-lane, Herne Hill, London. (1928)

NORWICH Plainhead Canaries; these birds are bred and kept outdoors; cocks from 7/6, hens from 4/6; money returned in full if not satisfied: W. Springett, 61, Wilson-st., Battersea, S.W. (1929)

GEORGE SAUNDERS can spare few good birds, same strain as my winners at Glasgow, Musselburgh, and other places; prices from 7/-; approval; stamp particulars: 68, West Smeaton-st., Kirkcaldy. (1932)

NORWICH, cheap pair 1913 buff cock and unflighted yellow hen, 4/1; other unflighted yellow hens from 7/6; 1913 variegated yellow Yorkshire hen, 3/6; S. N. Taylor, 49, Oldbury-rd., Smethwick. (1932)

THE late Mr. G. Ferrill's noted Norwich, including many Cornish winners, all for sale; cages, fittings, etc.; apply in person: Mrs. Ferrill, Fords-row, Redruth. By letter: Kemp, Trefsis, Redruth. (1932)

WAR on prices for speedy sale: 25 buff cocks and hens, 7/6 to 15/-; strain that wins anywhere, L.C.B.A., L. and P.O.S., Dulwich, Peckham: Cole, S.N.P.C., 51, Melbourn-grove, East Dulwich, London. (1931)

EXTRA stout buff hen, sister to the novice winning hen Horticultural Hall, bred and sold by me; see report last week; 7/6; several others closely related; reasonable: Watson, Hall Croft, Shepshed. (1924)

A. MOORMAN can spare good pair Norwich, 1st Newport last week, pair class, 4/2; vhc pair, 30/-; yellow cock, 1st selling, 12/-; buff, vhc, 10/-; same blood as my medal winner; approval: Carnbrooke, Wight. (1929)

NORVED Norwich, large 1913 buff cock, unflighted ticked yellow hen, 25/- pair; massive unflighted buff cock, 1913 yellow hen, 25/- pair; cocks worth more; approval: Smith, 6, Lincoln-st., Gateshead-on-Tyne. (1925)

J. WOOLHOUSE can spare some typical yellow and buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6 each; also few yellow and buff cocks, 10/6 each; these are good and cheap; approval; deposit: 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Sheffield. (1929)

CLEAR buff cock, large stock bird, 15/-; var. yell. hen to match, 10/- or 22/6 the pair; extra large var. buff cock, 15/-; clear yell. hen, 10/-; or 22/6 the pair; approval, deposit: Wheat, Postmaster, Cambridge Town, Essex. (1932)

G. DOWELL, 4, Beer-st., Yeovil, has about 50 typical Norwich for sale, fed and non-fed, cold-room; buff, cocks, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 2/6, 3/6; yellows, cocks, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-, 5/-; pairs from 10/-; approval, deposit. (1929)

VARDY'S strain, clear yellow cock, 20/-; clear buff cock, 15/6; can win; toppers; others from 8/-; buff hens from 4/6; one variegated buff, topper, 6/-; six hens for 20/-; worth treble: G. Nelson, 18, Chester-st., Rugby. (1927)

SEVERAL stock unflighted and flighted Norwich for sale; prices moderate; yellows and buffs; see winnings North-West Glasgow and Springburn last Saturday; approval, deposit: Andrew Crawford, 14, Wilton-drive, Glasgow. (1932)

MUST sell, very good pair of Norwich, 15/-; also a few good cocks, from 5/- upwards, or would exchange for good yellow Cinnamon cock; on approval, deposit: John Ellis, 9, Alma-st., Mytholmes, Harworth, Keighley, Yorkshire. (1925)

HIGH-CLASS birds, two unflighted yellow cocks, 12/6 each; green cock, 8/6; yellow cinnamon cock, 14/-; Greenfinch cock Mule, vhc big class, 10/-; two cock Goldfinches, 5/- each; approval: Smedley, 83, Royston-aven., Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (1926)

MR. ECKERSLEY can spare a few more birds from his famous strain; fine, large, variegated, yellow cock, 30/- only; ticked yellow hen, winner, 40/-; bargain; some grand stock birds, very cheap: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1912)

THIRTY 1914 Norwich cocks and hens, yellows and buffs, all non-fed, cold-room bred, in perfect health; out of nine entries (four classes) at the City and County Show had three 1sts, four 2nds, two 3rds: Mrs. Jas. Banks, 51, Balhouse-st., Perth, Scotland. (1924)

NORWICH yellow marked cock, winner 1st Astwood Bank 1914, 2nd Headless Cross and 3rd Wolverhampton 1913, 25/-; cards with birds; unflighted yellow and buff cocks from 7/6; also a few good hens: S. Parker, Fickenham-rd., Astwood Bank, Redditch. (1925)

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RECENT wins: Shipley, Tong, City of Bradford, Bradford National, also silver cup for best Norwich in show, Hobden Bridge; typical buff cocks, 7/6, 10/-; smart buff hens, 5/-, 7/6; bred from my winners; approval: James M. Thomas, 12, Birchfield Villas, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire. (1924)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich Plainheads, the strain that keeps winning; clear yellow cock, winner, 4/5; clear buff hen, winner, 4/5; clear yellow cock, fit to win, 4/4; clear buff hen, fit to win, 4/3; young clear buff cock, 20/-; money returned if not approved of: A. G. Cameron, 77, Roxburgh-st., Kelso, Scotland. (1932)

PRIZE winners, large yellow hen, 7/6; large buff cock, 10/6; large yellow cock, 12/6; large buff hen, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/4; breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London. (1927)

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NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791)

WALTON'S champion Glucke, water Glucke Rollers; cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; approval, deposit: Walton, 6, Cross Green Crescent, Leeds. (1875)

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BEAUTIFUL Leipzig Roller cocks, in full song, 10/-, hens 3/-; outdoor aviary bred, Gore's strain: Snelgrove, Ashtree-rd., Bitterne Park, Southampton. (1934)

DEEP Glucke Rollers (Mr. Neugebauer strain); cocks from 15/- to 50/-; hens, same strain, 5/- and 7/6 each: M. Jacquemin, 453, Dudley-rd., Wolverhampton. (1925)

NOTICE—Rollers, wonderful songsters, beautiful beyond description, 5/6 each, including ornamental glass paneled cage: Copp, Wardrobe Stores, Dartford. (1933)

T. TWIGG'S champion strain of deep Glucke Rollers, bred from Randall's selected strain; cocks from 15/-, hens 5/- and 7/6; exchange: 6, Stafford-st., Bilston. (1924)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/-; seven days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1929)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained, cocks from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston-gardens, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (1928)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1813)

BRITISH Rollers, Randall's Glucke strain, 1914 rung, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; better blood impossible to get; approval: Leigh, 67, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (1929)

FEW high-class 1914 deep toned Glucke cocks, Randall-Percival's, for contest or Schoolmasters, price 21/- each; approval, deposit: Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (1929)

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Grand collection, from most of noted strains in England, in many cases purchased direct from such well-known names. Cocks (not so-called cocks), 6/0, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6 upwards. Pairs, matched for breeding 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 25/-; cages 3d.; approval with pleasure. Forty-nine more, just purchased from Mr. Higgins; all rung; also several direct from Mr. Arthur Chilcott. (1899)

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ROLLER cocks, 6/6, 7/-, in full song; box cages, with shutters, sand tray, etc., 2/3, without shutters 2/-; Illustrated catalogue free: Enoch Tams, Church-st., Longton. (1934)

GLUCKE strain Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's, highly trained cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 3/-; pairs selected; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1860)

PURE St. Andreasburg hens, 1913 and 1914, cold room bred, strong, healthy birds, in grand condition, none better; 2/6 each: G. Griffin, School House, Redditch. (1922)

ROLLERS, with beautiful deep, hollow rolls, learnt under my wonderful strain, 8/6 each; schoolmasters, 10/6, 12/6 each; hens, 2/-, 3/-; cash or deposit: Fred Allen, B.B.C., 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1933)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Roller cocks, in full song, day or gaslight, 10/-, 12/6 and 15/- each; hens, 3/6 and 5/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (1935)

ACTIVE service.—Must sell 1914 cold-bred Rollers, cocks, full song, from 7/6 to 10/6; hens, 2/6; Crestbrods, 8/6 to 15/-; hens, 4/6; all healthy: A. Tomlinson, Bootmaker, Tranquil Passage, Blackheath, S.E. (1927)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung, Randall's Glucke and Water-Glucke strain direct; cocks from 20/-; hens 6/-; same strain as my cup winners; approval, exchange: Rhodes, 40, James-st., Bilston, Staffs. (1930)

FIRST and cup, he, c. Rosendale; ex. 4th, vhc. Provincial; three extra good deep Glucke and Water-Glucke Rollers, same as above, B.R.C.C. rung, 15/6, 41, 25/-; bargain: Wanting, 32, Co-operation-st., Bacup. (1929)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers, young cocks, B4 rung; father winner at five singing contests, only times shown, 7/6, 10/6; few hens, same strain, 5/6 couple: Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway-aven., Bridlington. (1929)

BRITISH Rollers, bred from Glucke and Water Glucke prize-winners; young cocks from 7/6; hens from 3/6; two schoolmasters, 15/6 each; approval; member of B.R.C.C.: Gooding, 38, St. Luke's-rd., Westbourne Park, London. (1933)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, pure Randall; bred from my winners of five medals; cocks 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each; every bird free from flat; Glucke hens, 5/-; exchange entertained: Harrison, Fruiterer, Beadmore, Wolverhampton. (1920)

J. H. WILLOWS, Draper, Wednesbury, winner of 7 cups, including M.R.C.C. challenge cup, scores of medals and specials, has for sale few of his champion strain Rollers, cocks 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, upwards; hens 7/6, 10/- each; approval willingly. (1908)

TWENTY years a breeder and trainer of high-class Rollers offers grand 1914 cocks on full rolling song, 6/6, 7/6; extra deep toned cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, same strain, 2/- each; birds sent at once on part payment; balance in seven days: Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1933)

BEAUTIFUL healthy 1914 cold bred Rollers, F. Sels and Son strain, show, singing or stock, cocks, full song, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens from 2/6; also Crestbrods; exchange entertained for London roach rod: H. E. Smith, 62, Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, London, S.E. (1927)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, pure Seifert and Glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, 3/9 and 5/-; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; catalogues free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1915)

DEEP Glucke birds, winners of three cups, ten medals; in 1913 Midland show won first, ex-first, second, third, winner of the M.R.C.C. challenge cup, first and third in team; 1914, second at the International show and second in team class; birds for sale from the above at 20/-, 30/-, 40/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/- each; also pure Roller birds for sale: A. W. Cadman, 17, Manlove-st., Wolverhampton. (1925)

RANDALL'S cup strain, winner ex. 3rd and 2nd special Rosendale, B4.14, 30/-; B4.20 and B4.10 scored 20 and 18 points each Roller contest Manchester, 22/6, 20/-; sire of these, B2.665, and two water Glucke hens, 22/6 only; winner of 4th and special Bacup, highly commended London International, B3.3403, 25/-; all customers so far have bought the first Roller cocks I have sent them; approval, deposit: Atherton, M.B.R.C.C., 36, Christian-rd., Preston. (1933)

GENUINE contest Rollers; don't waste your money on crossbred rubbish when you can get real Glucke hens for 3/6 and 4/- each; also a few cocks I had reserved for breeding, but having bought some fresh blood have decided to dispose of a few of them: prices from 15/- to 35/-; all rung and guaranteed bred from Cadman's winning strain and from actual winners; latest wins, fourth and special, commended, open class at Bacup; enquiries invited; exchange entertained: Mayo, Oak-st., Wolverhampton (1933)

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Preston Contest Rollers, same champion strain that we supplied the winners at the principal contests for years and have received thousands of testimonials. These wonderful songsters, only 15/- each, on 14 days' trial at our risk; special terms, send 10/- deposit to us and promise balance in two weeks and we will send one of these non-such Rollers on 14 days' trial at our risk. Try one against any other strain advertised and be your own judge. Hens same strain, 3/6 and 4/6 each; Yorkshire, Norwich and other Canaries on the same terms; lists free: Bairstows, Ormskirk-rd., Preston. (1878)

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Imported from Germans or their agents; all Belgian bred, 5/-, 6/-, 8/6, and 10/6 each; best hens, 2/- each, 15/- doz.; ditto ordinary, 1/6 each, 13/- dozen; testimonials by every post. "Please send one of the best Belgian trained Rollers, for which find enclosed 10/6. I have had several birds from you, and I have always been highly pleased with which I have received. Thanking you in anticipation, I am, yours, M. Pringle, Broxham, West Lothian." Indigo Bunting, 10/- each; Shamalis, 40/- each; Masked D

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Quite as good as ever Germans were. 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; approval; beautiful cages, 2/-; imported direct to London shop, at Sandford's, 89, Schater-st., Shoreditch, London; also at Preston. Est. 50 years.

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Foulds' championship strain, also others trained under Randall's and one of best organs, price 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6, 20/6; 100 trained, all guaranteed and on approval, hens 2/6, 3/6; best lot Rollers in England; proper roller box cages, enamelled sand drawer, etc., 2/-; with shutters, beautiful, 3/-; established 50 years; thousands of testimonials; for proof write Editor, who has seen the originals; send for catalogue: Sandford, Canary Breeder and Judge, Preston; also at 89, Schater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Scotch Fancies.

A FEW Scotch Fancy cocks for sale; good stock birds: William Muirhead, Main-st., Bannockburn. A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale, good stock birds, cheap to clear: L. Jackson, Southfield, Kirkmuirhill, (1916) SCOTCH Fancies for sale, young birds, all colours, cocks, hens, good birds: James Little, 25, Glen-st., Paisley. (1895) SCOTCH Fancies, cocks and hens, good stock birds, young, cheap to clear; approval: Hugh Howie, 29, Oswald-rd., Kirkcaldy. (1911) SCOTCH Fancy, bred from winners, buff and yellow hens, yellow pied and buff cocks: Kenwick, 126, Ingleby Drive, Glasgow. (1915) ALL my well-known stock for sale, including 16 young birds, cages, rack, etc.: McIlwain, School, Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1834) FOR sale, several first-class Scotch Fancies, able to win, both sexes; reasonable: Wm. Wilson, 246, Allison-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. (1868) A FEW Scotch Fancies for sale, cocks and hens, yellow and buff, cheap to clear, young; approval: Chas. McLean, 57, New-rd., Ayr. (1929) SCOTCH Fancies yellow and buff cocks, yellow and buff hens; all colours cheap to clear; good birds: Howden, 6, Cochrane-place, Leith. SCOTCH Fancies for sale; the whole stock, old and young; show and breeding cages, carrying boxes: Hugh Moore, 21, Kelburn-st., Barrhead. (1927) SCOTCH Fancies for sale, 1913 and 1914 bred, good birds, all colours and stylish, cheap to clear; approval: John Hainey, 236, Annbank-by-Ayr. (1929) SCOTCH Fancy, stylish, first cross yellow cock, one year bred, guaranteed a breeder, 4/- per pair; also buff pied hen, a few pairs of common, 1/- per pair: William Craig, Walkerburn, Peeblesshire. (1935)

Yorkshires.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

MESSRS. AMBLERS, the champion Yorkshire breeders, offer some clinking exhibition and stud birds, pairs 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-; the finest strain in existence; unbeatable for 30 years; many championships Crystal Palace, including championship for best in show, Palace, 1914; approval, cash or deposit; satisfaction guaranteed: Langton Lodge, Scotton, Knaresborough, Yorks. BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Challenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 46, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Bradford. E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1935)

THREE 1914 Yorkshires, two cocks singing, lot 6/6: Lloyd, 24, Cecil-rd., Gorseinon, Swansea. (1879) YORKSHIRES, cocks from 7/-; hens from 3/-; one clear buff cock, 12/6: Dickens, 22, Elnor-st., Langley Mill, Notts. (1930) YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, colour-fied Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester. SALE, five beautiful Yorkshires, two cocks and three hens, one pair Norwich; Morris, 19, York-st., Bolton, Lanc. (1929) YORKSHIRES for sale, cocks 10/-, hens 4/-; see show reports Clapham, etc.: Neighbour, 12, Arthur-rd., Holloway. (1884) STILL a few winning cocks left, colour fed, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-; Odgen's-Kearn's strains: Humphries, Ash Cottage, Bacup. (1922) WIGGLESWORTH has all his Yorkshires for sale; pairs from 10/- upwards: 22, Cheviot View, Gosforth, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1931) HIGH class Yorkshires; 2 grand buff cocks, 12/6 each, bargain; also yellows: Chambers, Heath-rd., Ditton, nr. Widnes. (1924) HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale, cheap, guaranteed bred from my winners; approval: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-rd., Woking. (1916) HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale cheap, cocks or hens, own breeding from my winners; approval: Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (1906) WINNING strain, typical for show or stock; prices according to quality; songsters, 6/6 to 7/6: Fewster, Middlestown, Wakefield. (1925) YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, cocks 5/6, hens 3/-, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1848) COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. ABSOLUTELY highest class Yorkshires obtainable, 11/6 pair; exchange anything useful to 15/-: Curtis, Summerleigh, Warminster. (1931) HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, cocks or hens, 7/6 upwards, related to cup and gold medal winners: Pritchard, 67, Powells-st., Abertillery. (1930) SEVERAL smart pairs of slim, stylish Yorkshires, rare quality, reasonable; on approval: Robson, 23, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918) NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1791) YORKSHIRES; cocks from 5/6, hens 2/-; pair and breeding care, 10/-: Langley, 363, Walters-rd., behind Marlborough Theatre, Holloway. (1926) TWO pairs of typical Yorkshires, cocks on full song, 12/6 per pair; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Gater, 6, Jones-57, Trocadero. (1930) THIRTY high-class Yorkshire, single or pairs, must sell; state wants, seen any night; also few British: W. D. Hall, 124, Lancroft-st., Kennington, London. (1915)

CRAGHEAD WORKMEN'S CLUB.

Special meeting, Workman's Club, with a good turnout of fanciers. Decided to have an open Linnet class at show to be held Dec. 19. Mr. Risborough, Sunderland, judge. We are looking forward to see some good Linnets staged. Prizes, 8s., 4s., 2s., 1s. Ent. fee, 1s.—Aif. Dawson, Sec.

NEWTONGRANGE C.B.S.

Meeting (place and date not stated—Ed.). Sec. intimated that he had not yet received the order from Calabar, and his action in getting envelopes locally was endorsed by the committee. Sec. also reported that he had made special arrangements with the stationmaster, and stated that the Lothian Coal Co. had agreed to put up the staging on the usual condition. Agreed to allow exhibitors the privilege of getting their birds dispatched so as to reach home the night of the show. Decided to retain 6d. for model cards. Stewards were selected: Norwich, J. Smith and Alex. Ketchen; Bord., J. Steel and J. Thomson; Brit., S. Smith and W. Thomson. Unanimously carried to divide the profits from the show equally between the Red Cross and the Belgian Relief Funds. Specials, numbering about 80 over the 49 classes, were drawn, all guaranteed by the society, and a nice lot they are, both in coin and in kind. Many a bird out of the money can win extra good specials, and it now lies with exhibitors to make the show spell success.—A. M. Gardner, Pres.

HIGHGATE & HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Annual prize distribution and social held Spencer Hall, on Nov. 30, Mr. Geo. Gardner, in the chair, supported by Messrs. R. T. Dann, vice-chair, J. P. Ayers, and G. E. Weston. Mr. C. W. Law once again kindly provided the musical entertainment, which was under the able management of Mr. Sami Claremont (Gloucester Street, Clerkenwell), whose party of entertainers caused much merriment and laughter. Mr. Claremont's humorous songs, and those of Messrs. Alf. Houghton and Jack Perry came in for special commendation, whilst Miss Elsie Edward at the piano, and Mr. J. Edward (tenor), added much to the enjoyment of all present. Although a very wet evening, the hall was crowded with members and friends. Mr. Gardner distributed the prizes, including 4 silver cups, 6 medals, and other specials, also cash prizes amounting to £14 15s. Mr. Ayers was thanked for his splendid gift of two silver cups, and in reply very promptly and generously said that he hoped to provide another. The chief item of the evening, however, was the presentation by Mr. Gardner, after a few very appropriate remarks, of a handsome marble clock from the members, to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Law, as a token of high esteem and appreciation for their ever ready and willing services to the society. We all hope we shall continue to have their presence and support for many years to come. Mr. Law replied on behalf of himself and Mrs. Law, and said the handsome gift would be cherished by them as much as anything they possessed, knowing, as they did, the kindly feeling which prompted the members in making the presentation. Mr. G. E. Weston proposed a collective vote of thanks to the hon. sec., Mr. J. Hyde, to the artists, and to Mr. Gardner, for so ably presiding. He said that Mr. Hyde was an inestimable asset, a secretary who did his work quietly, cheerfully, and well, without either grumbling or boasting—an expression of opinion which elicited loud approval. He also spoke of the great enjoyment the artists had given, and fittingly eulogised the long and many services Mr. G. Gardner had rendered the Society and the Fancy at large. This vote was carried enthusiastically, and all joined in singing: "They are jolly good fellows."

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Doncaster C.B.S. (Yorks).—Black Bull Hotel, Market Place, Dec. 19. Judge, H. W. Battye. 28 classes: Yorks. 11, Cinn. 4, Nor. 11, Sell. 2, Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 14, to G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Road, Doncaster. Egin C.B.A. (Scot.).—Corn Market, Dec. 25. Judges: J. Winter, F. A. Watt. 42 classes: Nor. 16, Crests 2, Bord. 3, Nov. 2, Sell. 3, Mules 2, Brit. 10 (1 Sell.), For. 2, Gift 1, Juvenile 1, Prizes, 8s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee 1s. 6d. Ent. close Dec. 18, to A. W. Douglas, Bishopmill, Elgin. Border City (Carlisle) O.S.—Assembly Rooms, Old King's Head, Fisher Street, Jan. 1. (Judge, not stated.—Ed.) 27 Classes: Bord. 8, Nor. 6, Yorks. 4, Mule 1, Brit. 6, For. 2, Prizes, 6s., 3s., 1s. 6d.; fee 1s. Ent. cl. Dec. 29, to J. C. Bell, 23, Botchergate, Carlisle. Gateshead (Durham).—Rochester-st., Sunday School, Dec. 19. Judges G. Dobson, G. Dobson, T. B. Tomlinson, J. Johnson, J. Bertram. 53 classes: Nor. 8 (2 Nov.), Crests 8 (2 Nov.), Yorks. 7 (2 Nov.), Scots Fancy 2, Bord. 8 (1 Nov.), A.O.V. 1, Sell. 3, Mules 3, Brit. 9, For. 4. Prizes (over 9 entries), 10/- 5/-, 2/6; half prize-money 9 or less. Fee 1/6. Ent. close Dec. 15 to W. Curry, 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge Street, Dec. 5. Three minutes' time singing. 1 and 2 shared by S. Morley and J. Wainwright; 3, S. Morley.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT.

Linnet contest Woolman Inn, Dec. 5. 22 entered for three minutes' time sing. 1, Pugh, 75; 2, Beard, 50; 3, Jones, 45. Open sing, Dec. 6. 30 entered. 1, Jones, 99; 2, Morley, 88; 3, Nelson, 57.—S. Pugh, Sec.

LEIGH.

Contest, Globe Inn L.C., Dec. 4, for time and quality. 22 entered. 2 prizes for time and 2 for quality. Time: 1, Statham, 91; 2, Hilton, 81. Quality: 1, W. Jones; 2, Cowbourn. Timers, J. Statham and J. Whittic. Judges, J. W. Jones and T. Statham.—R. Disley, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS.

Leeds L. and C.F.A. open contest for quality Linnet singing, Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Road, Dec. 5. 14 birds sung. 1, T. Johnson; 2, C. Ward; 3, Richardson. Judges, Sissons and Lacy. Dec. 6, 19 sung. 1, T. Johnson; 2, Stead; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, Hardcastle, Sissons, Naylor. Roller contest same date. 16 birds sung. 1, Hardcastle; 2, Condliffe; 3, Hardcastle. Judges, Richardson, Lacy, Naylor. Open contest for Roller Canaries every Sunday at 7.30.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate. J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate. W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Gillingham Bradford. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate. GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds. C. HOBBS, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate. J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate. C. A. HOUSE, Brildene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds. J. W. METCALFE, Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate. W. R. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester.—Judge of all varieties Cage Birds, Norwich Plainhead Specialist. W. MÜNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds. H. NORMAN, The Lyric, Salisbury Road, Carnation, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds. J. PATTERSON, Clirnside, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide, practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge. J. A. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds. C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience. JAMES STANGER, 59, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham. A.V., Spl., Nor. and Cr. HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years' Breeder and Exhibitor. S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties; specialist Norwich, Cinn. and Liz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate. W. VARDY, The Aviaries, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate. J. WILCOCK, The Fountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford. Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties. G. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate. W. YOUNG, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

SHOWS. ADVERTISEMENTS.

SCALE OF CHARGES, which must be fully PREPAID. 1/2-inch 2/6, 3/4-inch 3/6, 1 inch 6/6. Except to "Guaranteed" Shows appearing in our "Dates Fixed" Column, which are charged at 5s. per inch and pro rata. SHOW ADVERTISEMENTS across two or more columns 7/6 per inch, column width, except to "Guaranteed" Shows, for which the charge is 6/- per inch, column width. A reduction will be made for a Series of not less than Nine Weeks. Secretaries desirous of "guaranteeing" a Show should apply for guarantee form to our Manager. CAGE BIRDS, 151, FLEET STREET, LONDON.

GATESHEAD and Dist. C.B.S.

15th Annual Open Show, Saturday, December 19th, Rochester Street Schools. 53 Open Classes. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6, 1/6 entrance fee. All Varieties catered for, and Champions and Novices. Specialist Judges: G. Dobson, G. Dobson, T. B. Tomlinson, J. Johnson, J. Bertram. Schedules to last year's exhibitors; others please apply. Entries close Dec. 15, to: W. Curry, Sec., 6, Roxburgh Place, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

Keep your Eyes on this. Dec. 31, 1914. SCOTTISH NATIONAL Jan. 1, 1915.

Thirteenth Great Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Birds, within Grindlay Street Hall, Edinburgh, under distinguished patronage, also Specialist Clubs, S.P.C., O.N.P.C., G.C.A., S.C.C.C., U.K.B.C.A., B.F.C.C., S.Y.C.C., S.B.B.M.C., N.B.B., and M.C., and F.B.C. 123 Classes including 10 Novices. Prize Money, 12/-, 8/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/- (paid 2nd day of show, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.). Entry 2/-, extra Stock Class 6d. 13 well-known expert Judges. Handsome Trophies and Attractive Specials. Membership fee, 2/6, entitling free admission and Members' Specials. Grand medium for disposal of surplus stock. Entries positively close Dec. 24. Schedules ready. Apply for copy to: J. R. Meikle, Sec., 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh. All profit goes to Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund.

WISHAW

Clydesdale C.B.S. Annual Open Show, on January 1, 1915, in Watson's Hall, Young Street, Wishaw. 43 Open Classes. Entries taken till morning of show. Schedules from: Jas. Watson, 16, Young Street, Wishaw.

TRURO (Confined to Cornwall), in the Market Hall, Boxing Day, Dec. 26. Cage Birds 17 Classes. Judge, E. White, Esq. Entries close Dec. 19. Schedules from the joint Hon. Secs., C. S. Dunstan, Redaunick Villa; Geo. Pascoe, St. Dominic Mews.

WIGAN.

Old Wigan Linnet Club will have a time singing contest on Dec. 26, at Bay Horse Hotel, Whalley, Wigan, when the proprietor (Mr. Sam Fishwick) will give 10s. to be sung for. Entrance fee 1s. each bird.—A. Leyland, Sec.—(Advt.)

LEEDS LINNET AND C.C.

Quality Linnet singing contest, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner Lane, Dec. 6. 19 birds competed. 1, Bamfield; 2, Pratt; 3, Wignfield. Judges, C. Cooper and P. Madden. Canary match same evening, drew a select company, some of the Leeds R.C. members bringing their birds. A very pleasant evening was spent discussing the different names they give to their notes, and the names we give them. 1, Playforth; 2, 3, Lipman. Judges, C. Cooper and Alf. Skinner.—F. Turner, Sec.

NEWTONGRANGE

Notwithstanding the crisis, we have increased the classification, Annual Show, December 19, 1914. Popular Judges: Norwich, Jas. Calderwood, Esq., Kilmarnock; Borders, R. H. Douglas, Esq., Loanhead; British, Jas. Mason, Esq., Peebles. Fanciers rally round Newtongrange. Entries close December 14.—John Nelson, Sec., 85, Dean Park, Newtongrange.

SITTINGBOURNE And Dist.C.B.S.

Fourth Annual Show, open to the County of Kent, held in Fanciers' Hall adjoining George Hotel, Wed. and Thurs., Dec. 16 and 17, 1914. Please enter from this. Entries positively close first post, Dec. 13. Judge, Mr. Jeffrey Jefferies (Southall). Entrance fee 1/6. Prize Money, 6/-, 3/-, 1/6, eight entries. 10 per cent. on all sales. Classification: 1, Nor., Cl. Yell. Ck.; 2, Cl. Buff Ck.; 3, Varieg. Cock; 4, Hens; 5, Unflig.; 6, Yorkshire, Cl. Yell. Cock; 7, Cl. Buff Cock; 8, Varieg. Cock; 9, Hens; 10, Unflig.; 11, Any Other Variety Canary; 12, Mule or Hybrid; 13, Brit. Goldfinch; 14, Bullfinch; 15, Greenfinch; 16, Any Other Finch; 17, Redpoll, Twite, or Siskin; 18, Linnet; 19, British Softbills; 20, Foreign, Small, including Java; 21, Larger than Java; 22, Sell., Any Variety C.B., 10s.; 23, Any Variety C.B., 20s. Sec., T. Monday, "Glenville," Canterbury Rd.

ABERDEEN

Amalgamated Cage Bird Society Annual Open Show of Canaries, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Cage Birds, will be held in the Ballroom, Music Hall, on December 18 and 19. Judges, James Smeaton, Musselburgh, and William Bishop, Stirling. Entries close December 14th. Surplus funds to be handed to the Red Cross Society.—William Allison, Sec., 3, Burnett Place, Aberdeen. (1917)

DONT FORGET DONCASTER

December 19th. Judge, H. W. Battye. 26 Classes for Yorkshires and Norwich, 2 Selling. Entries close Dec. 14. Send your entries on at once to avoid the crush.—G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Road, Doncaster.

PONTYPRIDD

F. and F. Society (Affiliated to South Wales and Monmouthshire Fed.), January 6th, 1915. Special comfortable room for Cage Birds alone. Judge, C. A. House, Esq. Entries close Dec. 30, 1914. All profits to go to Red Cross Fund. Schedules: A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Maysycoed, Pontypridd.

ARDWICK AND MANCHESTER

Dis. C.B.A. 1st Open Show, Friday and Saturday, January 8 and 9, 1915, in St. Thomas's School, Ardwick. Judges, H. W. Battye, C. Houlton. Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 3/-, 2/-; entry fee 1/6. Schedules from: J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston Street, Beswick, Manchester.

SHETTLESTON and Dis. C.B.S.

Here we are again, Shettleston to the front. 7th Annual Show on December 12th, in Hill Street Hall. Doors open from 2 to 6 p.m.; admission 3d.—A. Berry, 36, Balgair Terrace, Shettleston.

ABERTILLERY and Six Bells (Mon.) F.F.

Show of P., Pigs, Cage Birds, and R., Wed., Dec. 16, 1914. Judge, Geo. Gardner, London. Entries extended to Sunday, first post.—Ed. Churchill, 29, Tillery St., Abertillery, Mon. (1922)

ELGIN

C.B.A. 5th Annual Show, December 25. 42 Classes. Judges, Messrs. J. Winter, Edinburgh, F. A. Watt, Banff. Entries close Dec. 18.—Sec., A. W. Douglas, Bishopmill, Elgin.

TROON

Loans Show, in aid of Red Cross Funds, will be held on Friday, January 1, 1915. Cage Bird Judge, Mr. A. McMeeking. Schedules from J. Hunter, 4, Jamieson Terrace, Troon.

HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.

Open to the County and 20-mile air line. December 29. Cage Birds, Poultry, Pigeons, Rabbits. Schedules: S. C. Pearce, 3, Temple End, High Wycombe, Bucks.

GLASGOW

Assoc. Open Show, Saturday January 2, 1915, Union Halls, West Nile Street, Glasgow. 20 Classes. Judges, Menzie, Nibet, O'Donnell, Livingstone, Black, Fulton. Schedules: McLauchlan, 2, Alexandria Terrace, Govan.

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Twitterings.

We hear that the Watford C.B.S. will hold an open show on Jan. 13-14 next.

I liked very much your study of the Crested Canary accompanying the Xmas Number, writes Mr. T. Billington (Nottingham).

In the Green Budgetary class at the recent Horticultural Hall show, Mrs. Hay won 3rd, not Mrs. Longden, as reported.

Mr. S. C. Pearce, hon. sec. High Wycombe F.S., writes that all profits accruing from the show of Dec. 29 will go to the local War Fund.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. W. Adams the sec. of Rochdale Good Intent C.B.S., has made a good recovery from his recent illness.

Members please note the patronage of the Y.C.C. has been granted to Doncaster C.B.A., Dec. 19, a fixture I hope they will liberally support, writes Mr. Greaves, sec.

Special No. 21 in the Hamilton "War Fund" Show schedule, writes Mr. W. S. Wilson, hon. sec., should read 5s. for most points in Classes 1 to 4, and 36 to 39, and not as printed.

Owing to the military occupying the Drill Hall, writes Mr. W. Davie, sec. Dunfermline and W. of Fifo O.S., the society has had no alternative but to cancel its show fixed for Jan. 1 and 2.

We have engaged as judges for our 1915 show, write Messrs. Metcalfe and Green, secs. Liverpool O.S.; Messrs. Mundell and Cowgill, Yorks.; W. Vardy, Nor.; J. Dixon, Bord.; C. Houlton, Brit.

Please ask exhibitors to note, writes Mr. Hunt, sec. Doncaster C.B.S., that we are looking forward to a good show, and that we shall close the show at 6.30 in order that all birds may be sent off in good time.

I omitted to state in the Whitehaven show schedule, which was advertised in last week's CAGE BIRDS, that the entrance fee is 1s. 6d., writes Mr. Jas. Stewart, hon. sec. Entries will be accepted up to Dec. 16.

Mr. W. Espie writes that he won 3rd in the Uneven Border class at the Horticultural Hall, not Pratt as in report and catalogue, and Mr. Faux writes that "1st Mrs. Stopher" in catalogue and report of the unflighted yellow novice should be 1st Faux.

I am pleased to see members of the Pathhead (Kirkcaldy) C.B.S. giving Fifeshire exhibitors a chance of turning out their winners for 1914, writes Mr. J. Ross. Schedules can be had from Mr. J. Thomson, sec. (2, Junction Road, Kirkcaldy).

I was pleased to see published in CAGE BIRDS our subscription to your Hospital Canary Scheme, and hope that it will induce other members of clubs to support your efforts on behalf of our wounded soldiers, writes Mr. S. Morley, sec. Castleford Linnet Club.

Will readers please note that the Border Fancy Canary advertisement of Mr. W. Rudd (Norwich) was by error inserted under the heading of Crests in last week's issue. Mr. Rudd writes that he has received a large number of applications for Crested hens at 2s. and 5s. (these, of course, should have been Border hens).

Mr. J. Nelson, sec., Newtongrange C.B.S., 85, Dean Park, Newtongrange, writes that he has sent out 1,000 schedules for the show, Dec. 19. Anyone overlooked please apply. All specials are guaranteed by the society, and the profits of the show will be divided between the Red Cross and Belgian Relief Funds.

In the report of the Foreign Hybrid class, at the Horticultural Show, the words "latter" and "former" in the description of Miss Smyth's Hybrid Bulbul should be transposed, as this Hybrid favours the Red-vented species, its male parent; the Red-eared is only slightly indicated in the Hybrid's plumage and contour.

Exhibitors coming to see the "Palace of the North" show should note that the Rochester Street Schools are five minutes' walk from Gateshead Railway Station, or High Level Bridge, writes Mr. W. Curry, the sec., or if they take the Bensham or Saltwell tramcar, and ask the conductor to put them off at Burt Terrace or Alexandra Road, it is the first street on the left (fare 1d.). Fanciers wishing to exhibit and too late for a schedule should look over the review in this week's CAGE BIRDS and send their entries on, when I will classify.

Our Songsters in Canada.

It may be within the memory of many readers, writes Mr. W. A. Lott, the well-known British bird enthusiast, that a huge quantity of our British songsters, namely Blackbirds, Thrushes, Larks, Linnets, Goldies, Bullies, Redpolls, Siskins, etc., was transported from the homeland to far away Vancouver Island, B.C., some eighteen months ago. What reminds me of the event is that I have had a note from a relative (not a fancier) in which he says: "Tell Mr. Lott that there have been several Blackbirds at 'Cedar Cottage,' which is just outside the city of Vancouver."

OBITUARY.

I am very sorry to inform you, writes Mr. S. Morley, sec., Castleford Linnet Club, that we have lost one of our old members last week in Joseph Kirk, who has been ill for some months.

It is with much regret, writes Mr. W. S. Wilson, that I intimate the sad bereavement Mr. Geo. Marlin, Hamilton, has sustained in the passing away of his dear wife. Mrs. Marlin was affected by heart trouble, and during the early part of last week indications were visible that her case was getting more serious. She passed away peacefully early on Thursday, Dec. 3. On behalf of the very many fanciers who personally know Mr. Marlin, we extend our sympathy to him in his bereavement.

Another Record Show.

We hear that the show of Swansea F.S. has closed with a record entry.

Extra Judge at Aberdeen.

Aberdeen show finds it necessary to appoint another Norwich judge, namely Mr. James Ritchie (Brechin) writes Mr. Allison, the sec.

Photographing the Pheasant.

Mr. O. G. Pike states that it has frequently taken him an hour's manoeuvring to get within "touching" distance of a Pheasant sitting on her nest. A precipitate movement would cause her at once to leave her eggs, but the great thing for the photographer to do was to stand quite still himself each time she showed the slightest sign of moving. In that way it was possible to get up to the most timid bird during the nesting season.

Cuckoo's Curious Choice.

In July of this year a Cuckoo chose to deposit her egg in the nest of a House Sparrow in the middle of the town of Shrewsbury. The nest was under the eaves of the premises of Mr. Salter, chemist, and was discovered by some painters who were renovating the front. The egg was duly hatched by the Sparrows, and the foster-parents in carrying out their onerous task of filling the capacious maw of the intruder, had to pass within a few feet of the painters working on the ladders.

Two Avicultural Feats.

A notable triumph in bird-keeping was when a German naturalist induced a pair of hand-reared Nightjars to lay, sit, and rear their young on the hearthrug in his sitting-room. Another striking case was given some time ago in the "Zoologist," where Miss R. Twyman succeeded in rearing a young Swift. The bird was found by her, an unfledged nestling which had fallen from a crevice in a wall above. She carefully tended it and fed it on wasp-grub and gentles; its voracity being so great that it would consume, it is said, thirty every two hours, an astonishing feat for so small a bird. The Swift is described as having moulted successfully, and as spending its time on the edge of its basket, taking exercise by flapping its wings; it is said rarely to fly.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a *bona-fide* one.

England.

Dec. 11-12.—Warrington C.B.S.—(G. M. Nelson, 406, Knutsford Rd.)
Dec. 19.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(Canaries only). See Jan. 9, 1915.
Jan. 8-9.—Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.—(J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston St., Beswick, Manchester.)
Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Mules, Brit. and For. Birds.
Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Scotland.

Dec. 19.—Newtongrange.—(W. Bryson, 42, Fifth St.)
Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)

Wales.

Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser St., Maesycoced, Pontypridd.)
Jan. 12.—Llanelly C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottory Place.) J.R., M.N.

Well-known Judge's Sad Loss.

I am sorry to inform you and fanciers that Mr. Geo. Marlin (Hamilton) the well-known judge, was unable to be present to judge our show, through the sad loss of his wife, who died very suddenly. The heartfelt sympathy of all fanciers will go out to him. We appointed Mr. R. Bald (Bathgate) in his place, who gave general satisfaction.—R. Lambie, sec. Whitburn Show.

Longevity of Captive Birds.

There are cases on record of many species of small birds living for long periods in captivity. I know of two instances of Linnets living in cages for seventeen and eighteen years respectively. One was over a year old when purchased, and when I last heard, which was seventeen years after purchase, the bird was in good health and vigour. It was then over eighteen years old. Many small foreign birds live for several years in this country when properly caged and fed. Dr. A. G. Butler purchased two male Scarlet Tanagers in 1897, which I was surprised to see living and apparently in perfect health last month, having been in his possession over seventeen years. He also had a Red-billed Weaver in his aviaries for nineteen years, a Common Hangnest fourteen years, Zebra Finch ten years, Gouldian Finch nine years, and a number of other species lived for long periods.—F. W. Frohawk, in "The Field."

Canary-breeding in War Time.

Only those who have devoted themselves to the hobby favoured by our readers know the delight of getting quite away—temporarily, at least—from war, with its anxieties and constant distresses, to an interest that never palls, but that grows more and more enthralling the more we study it. It is possible that Canary breeding—entirely for its own sake, and without reference to its financial side, which is well worth attention—would attract many more devotees if its charms were everywhere known. We commend to our readers, and especially to new readers, a grand book that will enable them to achieve success in Canary breeding with the minimum of cost and trouble if they will faithfully follow its explicit instructions. The Waverley Book Company's publication "Canaries, Hybrids, and British Birds" actually teaches the fancier how to breed birds that win. So confident are its enterprising compilers that they make a unique Christmas offer to our readers, namely, to send this excellent book on approval for a week's free use, and to take it back without the reader spending a penny if he decides it will not be useful to him. This speaks for itself as to the good value offered. We recommend all who wish to study successful scientific Canary breeding to send the free approval form (it will be found in our advertising columns) and to give the Waverley Publication a week's fair (and free) trial during the approaching holidays. They should send in good time, as the Christmas congestion may cause some delay later on.

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DUBLIN.

Sixth annual show of the Y.C.C. and C.H.S. of Ireland, Antient Concert Rooms, Great Brunswick Street, Nov. 25 and 26. The hall is the best room in Dublin for the purpose, being of good size and well lighted. Entries exceeded those of last year, and the committee may congratulate themselves on the success of the show. There was a splendid lot, and showed a marked improvement on last year. In fact one could not point out a bad bird in the sections. Norwich were few, but of very good type. British and Mules come out better than last year, the Goldfinches, Linnets, and Bullfinches being well worth seeing. The officers and committee worked together, and everything was carried out in first-rate style and in good time. The vice-presidents, Messrs. Sholeidice and Keating, and the chairman, Mr. Gillen, were constant in attendance, and ready to see to all wants, and the hardworking sec., Mr. Lattimore, did his part of the work to the satisfaction of all. These were backed up by a very strong committee, Messrs. Kelly, Mulcahy, Kennedy, Burtonshaw, Keogh, Power, Williams, Farrell, Magee, O'Toole, Mr. Dowling (ex-chairman), and Mr. Whitty (treas.). Hyland got local sp. for best yellow hen; Keogh, sp. best bird in show, with a splendid tkd. buff cock, which also won two diplomas; Mrs. O'Keefe, best hen; Fleming, sp. tkd. yell. ck.; Keating won four specimens in non-fed classes, Morgan one, Reilly one, Stedman one. In novices, sp. for best bird was won by McKeon with a very nice mkd. ck.; sp. best yell. ck. and hen, Byrne; sp. best cl. buff ck. and hen, Burtonshaw; best tkd. hen, Hartford; sp. and diploma in Mule classes, Alexander, with his Linnet-Bullie; best British, also diploma, Mulcahy, with his renowned Chough. Mr. R. Halliday, Shipley, judged, and his awards were received with satisfaction.

YORKS. CINN. OR CINN. MKD. CK. (6): 1, Morgan, very stylish, nice size, well shaped head, good neck; 2, Keogh, another very nice one, very close on winner; 3, Holly, good flights and tail, well up on legs; vhc. Lynch; hc. Keating. HEN (12): 1, vhc. Mrs. O'Keefe, well shaped, good shoulders, wings, and feet; 2, Ryan, very stylish, well up on legs, nice tail; hc. Farrell; hc. Hyland. CL. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Woods, nice size, hne col., good wing carr. and size, stood like a soldier; 2, Keogh, nice head and neck, good length, fine long flights; 3, Morgan, good qual., even col., nice size; vhc. Mrs. O'Keefe; hc. Holly; c. Farrell. HEN (12): 1, Hyland. HEN (12): 1, Hyland, good type, very stylish, neat carr., nice tail and flights; 2, Fleming, very stylish, well trained, compact in feather; 3, Gillen, a close run on leaders, fine long flights, piped tail, good col., well staged; vhc. Keating; hc. Power; c. Holly. CL. BUFF CK. (10): 1, c. Keating, very rich col., good legs, long flights, nice tail, good shoulders, stood erect; 2, Mills, good length and style, nice feather, good flights; 3, Keogh, fine back, well shaped shoulders, well filled neck, and nice tail, stood like a pole; vhc. Hyland; hc. Gillen. HEN (12): 1, Keogh, very neat, nice wing carr., good head and shoulders, even col., good tail; 2, Fleming, very stylish, good shape and size; 3, Hyland, good feather, long flights, piped tail, even col.; vhc. Holly; hc. Keating; c. Power. TKD. OR VAR. YELL. CK. (15): 1, Fleming, everyone admired this bird for size and fineness of feather, great length, very long flights, nice tail, rich col. and good head; 2, Woods, not so large as winner, nice qual., fine feather and wings, good head; 3, Keating, fine type, neat carr., good head and shoulders, nice tail; vhc. Gillen; hc. Kelly; c. Morgan. HEN (7): 1, Fleming, fine type and feather, nice carr., good wings and tail; 2, Mills, nice shape, long flights, good back and length; 3, Keogh, very close on winners, good length, nice back, neat head, good wings and tail; vhc. Mrs. O'Keefe; hc. Gillen; c. McEntagart. BUFF CK. (10): 1, Keogh, a clinker, well shaped, feather like wax, good size, eplendid pos.; 2, 3, Mills, even col., good carr., and fine length, nice head and neck, not so tight in feather; 3 a nice bird, well shaped, stands up well, good legs and col.; vhc. Mrs. O'Keefe; hc. Woods; c. Ryan. HEN (7): 1, c. Mrs. O'Keefe, very stylish, nice size, good back, wings, and tail; 2, Farrell, very nice, full of qual., good feather and tail; 3, Keating, good feather, head, neck, and legs, nice pos., and full of qual.; vhc. Holly; hc. Power. NAT. COL. CL. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 2, hc. Sholeidice, nice team, well staged, good feather, stood well; 3, Lawless, nice head, shoulders, good wing carr., and length; vhc. Gillen. HEN (6): 1, Morgan, deep in col. for a non-fed, good size, nice shape, long wings and tail, very compact; 2, Hyland, rare type, excellent qual., good length; 3, vhc. hc. c. Sholeidice, very stylish, good pos., nice feather, beaten in size. CL. BUFF CK. (7): 1, Reilly, great length, fine legs, good flights, nice feather, tail like pipe shank; 2, Fanning, close run on winner, not so large, very tight in feather, nice pos.; 3, Lawless, real Yorkie, very well staged, good qual., fine feather, wings, and tail; vhc. Hyland; hc. c. Sholeidice. HEN (7): 1, hc. c. Sholeidice, a real lady, wins easily, long flight, nice tail good back, feather like wax; 2, Gillen, nice size and style, good flights, nice tail and well up on legs, won in col. fed class in Belfast; 3, Hyland, nice bird, good feather, wings, and tail, good pos., fine feather; vhc. Lawless. TKD. CK. (4): 1, Stedman, a gem, could win easily in open class; 2, 3, vhc. Sholeidice, 2 nice one, good wings, stands well up, bit coarse in feather, 3 good legs, nice pos.; fine feather, nice tail, rather small. HEN (4): 1, 3, vhc. Sholeidice, 1 very stylish, teaming with qual., good pos., nice flights and good wings, 3 nice feather, good qual., good wings and tail, a bit wild; 2, Fanning, a real Yorkshire, good long flights, nice feather, good subs., fine pos. NOR. CL. YELL. CK. (7): 1, hc. Byrne, good length, stands erect, good legs and wings, piped tail, wins easily; 2, Burtonshaw, fine size, good feather, nice back, wings, and tail; 3, Clery, good pos., and nerve, long flights, nice head; vhc. Cappola; c. Stedman. HEN (8): 1, Byrne, a gem, nice feather, good even col., well up on legs; 2, Burtonshaw, as good as winner, good long flights, nice feather; 3, McKeon, good head, back, and shoulders, nice feather, good col.; vhc. Hartford; hc. Stunt; c. Whitty, BUFF (11): 1, 3, Burtonshaw, grand subs., rich col., good wings, well staged, 3 not quite so good, though very neat; 2, McKeon, a clinker, and well worth its place, good feather, nice head and neck, well filled in back; vhc. Duff; hc. Stunt; c. Reilly. CL. BUFF HEN (11): 1, Burtonshaw, very sweet, stands erect in fine legs, good tail and nice subs.; 2, Beegan, with fine long wings, good tail, nice feather; 3, Hartford, well shaped, good size and qual., very stylish; vhc. Duff; hc. Reilly; c. Whitty. TKD. OR VAR. CK. (15): 1, McKeon, rare length and size, good feather, nice pos., stands like a soldier; 2, Beegan, long bird, not so fine in feather, well up on legs, good tail, nice shoulders; 3, McKeon, good col., flights and tail perfection, beaten in head and neck; vhc. McKeon; hc. Hartford; c. Whitty. HEN (8): 1, Hartford, fine head, lovely feather, good wings and tail; 2, Byrne, clinking bird, but wee bit on the large size, nice feather, wings, and tail, good back; 3, Whitty, nice head and neck, long flights, fine feather, very tight; vhc. McKeon; hc. Duff; c. Cappola. YORKS. SELL, 30s. CK. (7): 1, Burtonshaw; 2, Ryan; 3, Dalton; vhc.

O'Keefe; hc. Hyland; c. Rowan. HEN (4): 1, Hyland; 2, Keating; 3, Mrs. O'Keefe; vhc. Ryan. 20s. (15): 1, Hyland; 2, Lawless; 3, Burtonshaw; vhc. Keating; hc. Holly; c. Dowling. HEN (5): 1, Dowling; 2, McKeon; 3, Lattimore; vhc. Lamb; hc. Mrs. O'Keefe, A.V. CK., 15s. (18): 1, Dalton; 2, Hyland; 3, Morgan; vhc. McKeon; hc. Holly; c. Beegan. HEN (10): 1, Hartford; 2, Dowling; 3, Dalton; vhc. Farrell; hc. Burtonshaw; c. Beegan. CRESTS (1): 1, Osborne, good size and sube., lovely crest, and plenty of feather, fine qual. C.B. (1): 1, Osborne, very large, well balanced on perch, good broad head, hne brows, good feather and cond. NOR. CK. (10): 1, 2, McCagerty, grand size, fine large head, lovely qual. of feather, and in abundance, good col.; 3, Carleton, good type, fine qual., nice cond., well staged; vhc. Rowan; hc. Sullivan; c. Trunk. HEN (6): 1, 2, McCagerty, very typical, good wings, nice col.; 2 good size and shape, nice head and wings; 3, vhc. hc. Foster, nice one, crossed wings a bit, good size; c. Kelly. LIGHT CAN. MULE (2): 1, 2, Kennedy, 1 grand bird, getting old for exhibition, but in nice cond., lovely plumage, 2 another old warrior, one that has heretofore won over 50 firsts. GOLDF. MULE DK. (5): 1, hc. Trunk, shows both parents well, good feather, nice pos., smart; 2, Waters, ran winner close, grand size, very steady; 3, Byrne, well worth its place, nice col., not so large; vhc. Beegan. LINNET, DK. (3): 1, Alexander, showed both parents well, nice feather, fine condition; 2, Kennedy, hard to judge between the two; 3, Lamb, nice bird, but rather small, and not so steady. A.O. MULE OR HYB. (2): 1, 2, Alexander, 1 Goldf.-Bullie, did not show the parents as we would like to see, too much of Goldfinch about head, nice glossy col., fine cond., 2 Linnet-Bullie, showing both parents to perfection, might have won but was wild, wants a training. GOLDF.: 1, 3, vhc. Mulcahy, 1 fine blaze, nut-brown breast, well buttoned, good moons, 3 not so bright in col., good square blaze, well shown; 2, O'Byrne, small, good brown breast, well mkd. F.M. (3): 1, Mulcahy, as steady as if H.M., good blaze and markings; 2, 3, O'Byrne, two very nice birds, steady, fine blaze, and moons. LINNET (8): 1, 2, c. Mulcahy, good size and cond., well pencilled, nut-brown, very good markings, 2 nice brown, good pencilling and size, leader excels in steadiness, both well shown; 3, Waters, well pencilled, very steady, good col., not quite so large; vhc. Kennedy; hc. Magee. F.M. (3): 1, 2, 3, Mulcahy, champion for a field-mounted, good size, well pencilled, every promise of a good one, 2, 3, not so steady as winner, nor so large, yet will be heard of next year. SKYLARK (2): 1, 2, Mulcahy, very large and steady, stood erect, and showed all its qualities, very well mkd., fine breast and good back, in great cond. and plumage, 2 not so steady while judged, a good bird, well up on legs, fine col. BULLF. CK. (3): 1, Magee, magnificent plumage and col., good size, nice cap and bib, wins easily for col. 2 and 3 Mulcahy, nice style and size, good wings, shows whites well, 3 nice bird, large nice cap and bib, not so rich in col. as winners. HEN (5): 1, 2, hc. Mulcahy, a beauty, nice cond. and feather, large, stood well, good bars, cap, and bib, 2 a toss up between this and winner; 3, Ward, good cond. and plumage, good cap and bib, a bit small; vhc. Magee. SISKIN, ETC. (7): 1, Carleton, Siskin, good col., nicely mkd., good plumage; 2, Waters, Twite, good col., nicely mkd., large, good cond.; 3, Mulcahy, fine feather, good subs., nice col.; vhc. Mulcahy; hc. Carleton; c. Ward. BLACK-BIRD OR THRUSH (3): 1, 3, Mulcahy, Blackbird, good size, well coloured beak, jet black feather like velvet; 3 Thrush, splendid markings, fine breast, well shown; 2, Magee, Blackbird, not so large as winner, but in very good cond. A.O. SEEDATING (5): 1, Alexander, Chaffinch, fine plumage, very tight in feather; 2, vhc. hc. R. Mulcahy; 3, Waters, Reed Bunting, very steady, good markings, nice cond. A.O. SOFTBILL (3): 1, 3, Mulcahy, 1 Chough, jet black in Ireland, fine col. on legs and beak, jet black feather, very compact; 2, Waters, Waxtail, very handsome, steady, good feather, fine cond.

POPLAR C.B.S.

Show, Nov. 7, headquarters, Allallows Schoolroom, East India Dock Road. Entries were a trifle below last year (which was the record of the society). Mr. Robson judged. CHAMP. NOR.: 1, 2, 3, vhc. Leech; hc. Perry; c. Hunt Bros. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Leech; BUFF: 1, Perry; 2, 3, Leech; vhc. Hunt Bros.; hc. Perry. YELL. HEN: 1, Leech; 2, 3, Hunt Bros. BUFF: 1, Hunt Bros.; 2, Leech; 3, Perry; vhc. Hunt Bros. YORKS. (12): 1, 2, 3, Plumb; vhc. Wyall; hc. Hunt Bros.; c. Cook. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2 cups, 2 sps., Cook; 2, Wyatt; 3, hc. Plumb; vhc. Wyatt; c. Hunt Bros. BUFF: 1, Hunt Bros.; 2, 3, Plumb; vhc. Wyatt. YELL. HEN: 1, Wyatt; 2, Cook; 3, hc. Hunt Bros.; vhc. Plumb. BUFF: 1, 3, Hunt Bros.; 2, Wyatt; vhc. Plumb. NOV.: 1, 3, Mrs. Stophor; 2, Marhoff; vhc. Stag; hc. Walker. HEN: 1, Mrs. Stophor; 2, Stag; 3, Braithwaite. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Pycock; 2, Francis; 3, Marhoff; vhc. Lang. BUFF: 1, cup, Braithwaite; 2, Bloomfield; 3, Marhoff; vhc. Pycock. TKD. OR VAR. YELL.: 1, 3, Mrs. Stophor; 2, TKD. OR VAR. BUFF: 1, Stag; 2, Marhoff; Pycock; vhc. Lang. BUFF: 2, 3, Francis. BUFF: YELL. HEN: 1, Bloomfield; 2, 3, Francis. BUFF: 1, Stag; 2, Francis. NAT. COL.: 1, Mrs. Stophor; 2, Taylor; w.c. Pelling. YORKS.: 1, 2, Aulman; TKD. OR VAR.: 1, 3, Bell; 2, Aulman; vhc. Marhoff. HEN: 1, Marhoff; 2, Aulman. NON-FED.: 1, Snow. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, sp., cup, Marhoff; 3, Snow; vhc. Aulman; hc. c. Snow. BUFF: 1, sp., cup, Aulman; 2, Marhoff; 3, hc. Snow; c. Lang. TKD. OR VAR.: 1, 3, Aulman; 2, vhc. Bell; hc. c. Lang. HENS: 1, 2, Marhoff; 3, vhc. Aulman. HYB.: 1, Walker. MULE (11): 1, vhc. cup, Pelling; 2, Walker; 3, Walker; hc. c. Snow. GOLDF. AND BULLF.: 1, 3, Walker; 2, hc. Pine; vhc. Snow; c. Braithwaite. GREENF.: 1, Woodcock; 2, Walker; 3, Linnet; 1, Woodcock; 2, Prisman; 3, Pine; vhc. Joyce. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, 3, Walker; 2, Snow; vhc. c. Woodcock; hc. Pine. FINCH OR BUNT-ING: 1, 2, 3, Walker; vhc. hc. c. Woodcock. LARGE: 1, cup, sp. best Brit.; Walker. FOR.: 1, 2, cup, Woodcock.—F. H. Marhoff, Hon. Assist. Sec.

GREAT HORTON O.S.

Members' show, Dec. 5, in Clubroom, High Street, when 60 birds were staged, and Mr. S. Wilcock judged, and gave general satisfaction. CL. YELL. YORKS. (4): 1, F. Self; 2, Hartley; 3, Hanson; 4, Lingard. BUFF (7): 1, Hunter; 2, Lingard; 3, F. Self; 4, Hanson; vhc. E. Self; hc. c. Shackleton. Self; 4, Hanson; vhc. E. Self; hc. c. Shackleton. TKD. YELL. (6): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc. hc. Hartley. BUFF (5): 1, F. Self; 2, E. Self; 3, 4, Shackleton; vhc. Hartley. GREEN MKD. CK. (8): 1, Hunter; 2, 3, Midgley; 4, Lingard; vhc. Hartley; hc. Lister and Hudson; c. Peace. HEN (10): 1, 3, vhc. Hartley; 2, hc. Hunter; 4, Firth; c. Lingard. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 4, Lingard; 2, Peace; 3, Firth; vhc. F. Self. BUFF (4): 1, Lister and Hudson; 2, Firth; 3, F. Self; 4, Lingard. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (4): 1, E. Self; 2, Peace; 3, Hanson; 4, Firth. BUFF (4): F. Self; 2, E. Self; 3, Peace; 4, Hartley. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (3): 1, 2, Midgley; 3, Hanson.—J. Holroyd, Sec.

CARDIFF.

The fifty mile radius show at Glamorgan Buildings, November 28, attracted a grand entry in Canaries, notwithstanding the fact that there had to be 12 entries in a class before full prize-money was paid. This again goes to show that societies were too hasty in rushing to cancel shows instead of sticking to the "firmness as usual" motto. Nor and Yorks. were indeed a show in themselves, and competition was very keen, many really good birds having to be content with cards only, and in some classes not having even that consolation. British did not come up as well as usual, due no doubt to the L.C.B.A. Show clashing, most of the Welsh fanciers being represented at the London Show. Wales some few years ago was a veritable hotbed for British, but there has been for some time past a falling off in these classes, which is very regrettable. The Sec. and Show Manager, Mr. E. Thomas, had everything well in hand, and was ably assisted by a willing hand of stewards who did everything possible for the welfare of the exhibits. All exhibits were sent by rail in time to arrive home on Saturday night. Mr. J. Robson judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. (11): 1, sp., best Nor., Maggs, var., rare size and shape, lovely head and neck, close fitting wings and tail, teaming with col. and qual.; 2, James and Wells, another good var., fine size and shape, grand col. and cond., hardly so good in head; 3, 4, Mortimer, cl., neat shape and style, sweet head, nice full neck, grand feather and cond.; 4, good cl., close up; vhc. James and Wells; hc. Thomas; c. Maggs. BUFF (12): 1, Tedstone, var., bold, large, and shapely, grand head and neck, good front and wing car., lovely feather; 2, Maggs, tkd. head, nice shape and style, good size, hardly as good car.; 3, Slocombe, cl., nice size and shape, good head, very cobby, grand col. and cond.; 4, Thomas, neat cl., beaten in cond.; vhc. Williams; hc. Lewis; c. Weeks. HEN (8): 1, Tedstone, cl. yell., grand size and shape, good round head, well braced wings, neat tail, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Allsopp, good cl., close up in size, correct type, full of qual.; 3, Gardner, slashing cl. buff, fine bold head and neck, good front, nice order; 4, Slocombe, cl. buff, nice shape, lovely qual. and cond., hardly size of leaders; vhc. Thomas; hc. Weeks; c. James and Wells. UNFLIG. HEN (10): 1, Addison, var. yell., grand cobby shape, nice size, lovely sound col. and cond.; 2, James and Wells, var., neat shape, good head and neck, correct wings and tail, in first-class order; 3, Allsopp, cl., hardly size of leaders, lovely qual. and shape, put down in grand order; 4, Lewis, good cl., lacks car. of leaders; vhc. Gardner; hc. Thomas; c. James and Wells. YELL. CK. (10): 1, 4, James and Wells, good ones, leader heavily var., fine bold size and shape, grand head and neck, lovely col. and qual.; 4, var., correct type, hardly subs. of leader; 2, Weeks, cl. yell., grand size and shape, fine bold head and chest, grand level col., perfect feather, many thought might have won, and nobody grumble; 3, Thomas, cl., not quite size of leaders, but for style and shape hard to beat; vhc. Sampson; hc. James and Wells; c. Maggs. BUFF (9): 1, Tedstone, good bold and shapely cl., fine head and neck, correct wings and tail, perfect feather and cond.; 2, Allsopp, cl., not quite subs., still a good one, nice level col., grand qual. and cond.; 3, Thomas, var., correct type, good size, neat head and neck, lovely col. and cond.; 4, Gardner, hardly as good type, grand col. and qual.; vhc. Addison; hc. Lewis; c. James and Wells. NOV. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Mrs. Anderson, lovely cl., good size and shape, nice qual. and col.; 2, Townsend, heavily var., fine bold head and neck, nice type, trifle slack in feather; 3, Rogers, head tkd., correct type, nice size, grand col. and qual.; 4, Jenkins, good, cl., sound col. and cond.; vhc. Phillips; hc. Jolliffe; c. Escott and James. BUFF (6): 1, Escott and James, tkd., grand size, neat head and neck, good wings, nice style; 2, Jolliffe, cl., grand shape and size, nice col. and qual.; 3, Townsend, heavily var., fine bold shape, good head and neck, nice car.; 4, Selby and Morton, var., good size, hardly as shapely as leaders; vhc. Roger; hc. Vaughan. HEN (5): 1, Jenkins, good cl. buff, well packed wings and tail, compact shape, grand col. and qual.; 2, Powell, cl. yell., fine shape and size, teaming with col. and qual.; 3, Coker, cl. yell., close up, full of col. and qual.; 4, Selby and Morton, cl. buff, good col. and qual., hardly so shapely as leaders; vhc. Williams. UNFLIG. HEN (12): 1, vhc. Rev. Jolliffe, tkd. buff, grand size and shape, neat compact wings and tail, nice shape, col. and qual.; 2, Phillips, cl. buff, close up, grand type and qual., hardly as good in head points as leader; 3, Williams, cl. yell. good shape, size col. and qual., well put down; 4, Phillips, nice type and qual., trifle heavy behind; hc. A. Phillips; c. Townsend. CK. (14): 1, Mrs. Anderson, cl. yell., grand size and shape, best of wings and tail, nice col. and cond.; 2, c. Rev. Jolliffe, grizzle mkd. buff, stormer for size, shape and qual.; 3, Powell, cl. yell., correct type, grand col. and qual., hardly size of leaders; 4, hc. W. J. Phillips, heavily var. yell., nice shape, neat head and neck, good wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; vhc. Townsend. YORKS. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Thompson, cl., fine length, grand style, well packed wings, stands well on leg; 2, 4, Smith, cl., rare length and style, good straight back, well packed wings, nice leg, 4 good cl., correct type, hardly as good feather; 3, Weeks, cl., nicely moulded, fine length, well up on leg, grand feather and cond.; vhc. Pritchard; hc. Bevan; c. Bale. BUFF (11): 1, Thompson, cl., lovely shape, stands well on legs, good level col., nice col. and qual.; 2, hc. Dugmore, var., nice length, very nervy, grand wings and tail, teaming with qual.; 3, Weeks, var., nicely moulded, well braced wings, grand feather and cond.; 4, Ashman, cl., fine shape and style, nice feather; vhc. James and Wells; c. Pritchard. HEN (13): 1, Ashman, grand cl., yell., fine length and style, beautiful col. and qual.; 2, 4, Smith, cl. buff, grand type and qual., nice leg, very nervy, 4, cl. yell., grand size and col., hardly as good wing car. as leaders; 3, Thompson, cl. buff, grand type and qual., nice pos., neat wings and tail; vhc. Bale; hc. Bevan; c. Weeks. UNFLIG. HEN (16): 1, Thompson, tkd. yell., grand shape and style, stands well on leg, correct wings and tail, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Newell, cl. buff, fine length, good head and neck, well packed wings and tail, in perfect order; 3, Charles, cl. yell., well on leg, grand col. and qual.; 4, Smith, another good cl., well on leg, neat wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; vhc. Dugmore; hc. Bale; c. James and Wells. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 3, Thompson, a brace of gems, leader cl., grand type and qual., full of nerve, nice pos. and col.; 3, tkd., correct type, neatly moulded, not a feather out of place; 2, Bale, cl., good one all over, nice length, grand pos. and col.; 4, Dugmore, cl., close up, grand type, col. and qual., stands well; vhc. Newell; hc. James and Wells; c. Charles. BUFF CK. (15): 1, c. Dugmore, good cl., nicely drawn out, well up on leg, nice pos., grand col. and qual.; 2, Ashman, cl., fine length and pos., well

braced wings, nice pipe tail, in A1 order; 3, Bale, very smart and shapely cl., fine length, good col. and qual.; 4, Wooton, tkd., lovely leather, nice length, good nerve and pos.; vhc. Weeks; c. Charles. NOV. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Deere, tkd., grand length, sweet shape and style, full of qual.; 2, Merritt, cl., grand type and qual., good length, well up on leg, very stylish; 3, Dallimore, good cl., nice length, col., qual. and pos.; 4, Dobbs, cl., very stylish, well on leg, good wings, neat tail, vhc. Barrow; hc. Lewis; c. Parfitt. BUFF (12): 1, Griffiths, lovely cl., grand length, neat wings and tail, well up on leg, put down in fine order; 2, Phillips, another good cl., stands well on leg, lovely col. and qual.; 3, Watkins, almost E.M., grand length and style, neatly braced wings and tail, fine col. and qual.; 4, Raymond, cl., well on leg, very nervy, nice col. and qual.; vhc. Deere; hc. Lewis. HEN (9): 1, Clee, cl. buff, hne head, good full neck, grand wings and tail, well up on leg; 2, Deere, var. buff, lovely qual., grand style and cond.; 3, Merritt, cl. yell., grand car., well braced wings, good col., qual. and cond.; 4, Phillips, good cl., correct type, nicely braced wings, good col., well shown; vhc. James; hc. Lewis; c. Raymond. UNFLIG. HEN (5): 1, vhc. Raymond, eye and wing mkd. buff, nice length and style, well tapered; 2, Arthur, wing mkd. yell., grand col. and qual., good leg, neat wings and tail; 3, Dallimore, var. buff very shapely, well drawn, in nice feather; 4, Barrow, good cl. yell., hardly length of leaders. YELL. OR BUFF CK. (20): 1, hc. Raymond, var. yell., grand length and style, neat head and neck, well filled back, stands well; 2, Phillips, tkd. buff, stands well on leg, neatly packed wings, grand col. and qual.; 3, Dobbs, another good one, sweet shape and style, grand col. and qual.; 4, Terrett, cl. yell., grand length, well up on leg, neat wings and tail, put down in good order; vhc. James; c. Deere. BORD. YELL. CK. (10): 1, 3, Jeremiah, var. yell., lovely type and qual., feathered like boxwood, latter cl. yell., correct type, beautifully moulded; 2, vhc. Wiseman, sound yell. green, grand shape, lovely grass green col., in A1 cond.; 4, Smith, var. buff, close up, beautifully moulded, feathered like wax; hc. c. Brailli. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Jeremiah, both cl. buff, wee gems, lovely silky feather, grand type and qual., perfect wings and tail; 2, Wiseman, buff green, good col. and qual., hardly as shapely as winner; 4, Pearce, good cl., nicely moulded, very stylish, nice col. and qual.; vhc. Pearce; hc. Taylor; c. Evans. HEN (11): 1, vhc. Brailli, tkd. yell., lovely shape, neat wing car., good head and neck, staged in first-class order; 2, Wiseman, wing mkd. buff, correct type, very stylish, grand qual., close up; 3, c. Pearce, cl. buff, another of the right stamp, grand feather and qual.; 4, Taylor, cl., very stylish, nice type, hardly as good feather as leaders; hc. Smith. CL. OR LIGHTLY MKD. HYB. (5): 1, Edwards, Goldie-Bully, medium size beautiful col. and qual., put down in fine style; 2, 3, Ball, Canary-Bullie, good size, fails in col. and cond.; 3, var. yell. Greenie-Can., in nice order; 4, Rowlands; vhc. Davies. DK. CAN. MULE (7): 1, Davies, nice yell. Goldie, nice size, good col. and qual.; 2, 4, Brailli, both Greenie-Can., good size, nice sound col.; 3, Jones, yell. Goldie-Can., hardly size of leader; vhc. Brailli; hc. Whinstone; c. Gillard. VAR. (2): 1, Davies, Goldie-Can., good size and shape, nice col. and cond.; 2, Brailli, yell. Siskin-Can., good size and col. GOLDF. (5): 1, 4, Coakham, nice size, good clean cut blaze, well tanned chest, good wing bars and buttons; 2, Edwards, lovely Finch, nice clean cut blaze, of rich col., good tans, bars, and buttons, many thought might have won; 3, Escott and James, nice size, beaten in col. by leaders; vhc. Davies Bros. BULLF. OR GREENF. (6): 1, Ford, Greenf., good size, grand shape, nice sound col. and wing bars, lovely qual. and cond.; 2, c. Whinstone, another good coloured Greenie, in first-class order; 3, Caddy, Bullf., good shape, nice broad cap, falls in breast col.; 4, J. H. Ford; vhc. Dalton; hc. Davies. LINNET (6): 1, Dalton, good nutty brown col., nice qual., but had lost flights in one wing, and should have given way to 2, Davies, nice col., well pencilled and very shapely, his only fault, a trifle restless at times; 3, Ford, nice F.M., well laced down flanks, grand col. and wonderfully steady, should make a good one; 4, Manning; vhc. Whinstone; hc. Mortimer. SISKIN, ETC. (3): 1, Whinstone, Siskin, well defined markings, nice size and shape, good col. and qual.; 2, Ford, Lesser 'Poll, good bib, well laced flanks, nice col. and qual.; 3, Dalton, Sisk., nice size, very shapely, hardly col. of leader. A.O.V. (4): 1, Coakham, Hawfinch, well defined bib, neat wing bars, good col. and cond.; 2, Dalton, sweet and shapely Chaffinch, good col. and qual.; 3, Ford, Hawfinch, nice col. and qual., hardly size of leader; 4, Whinstone, Chaffinch, grand col. and qual., hardly size of second. HEN (1): 1, J. H. Ford, good Blackbird. FOR. (2): 1, 2, Brailli, both Goldies, in nice col. and condition. SELL, 50s. (6): 1, Bale; 2, 4, Raymond; 3, Wooton; vhc. Barrow; absent, Thomas. 30s. (10): 1, c. Bale; 2, Jolliffe; 3, Thomas; 4, Townsend; vhc. Weeks; hc. Charles. 15s. (8): 1, Furze; 2, Bevan; 3, Coker; 4, c. Bale; vhc. Baker; hc. Rogers.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.

Show, Oct. 21, Shoulder of Mutton, Messrs. Odgen Bros. judged. There was a fair entry of 87 birds. CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, Clegg; 2, Whitwam; 3, A. Bennett; 4, G. A. Bennett; vhc. Snead; hc. Whitley; c. Wallbank. BUFF: 1, Ratcliffe; 2, Snead; 3, Wallbank; 4, A. Bennett. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Ratcliffe; 2, Clegg; 3, Kirk; 4, Wallbank; vhc. Midgley. BUFF: 1, Whitwam; 2, Ratcliffe; 3, Clegg; 4, Whitley; vhc. Midgley; c. A. Bennett. MKD. CK.: 1, Clegg; 2, Whitwam; 3, Whitley; 4, G. A. Bennett. HEN: 1, 2, G. A. Bennett; 3, Whitley; 4, Kirk; vhc. Midgley. FOUL CK.: 1, vhc. McEwen; 2, Rhodes; CL. OR TKD. YELL.: 1, vhc. McEwen; 2, Rhodes; 3, Acroyd; 4, Smith; hc. Brook; c. Terry. BUFF: 1, Brook; 2, c. Rhodes; 3, Butterfield; 4, hc. Nessom; vhc. Ramsbottom. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN: 1, Oats; 2, Brook; 3, Terry; 4, Nessom; vhc. Rhodes; hc. Ramsbottom; c. Smith. BUFF: 1, Butterfield; 2, Acroyd; 3, McEwen; 4, Terry; vhc. Smith; hc. Nessom; c. Rhodes. MKD. CK.: 1, Smith; 2, Butterfield; 3, Rhodes; 4, Terry; vhc. McEwen. HEN: 1, vhc. Terry; 2, Butterfield; 3, Ramsbottom; 4, McEwen; hc. Smith. FOUL HEN: 1, 2, Rhodes. Spl. for best yell. won by E. Clegg; best buff by Ratcliffe.—F. P. Terry, Sec.

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EASTLEIGH.

First annual show, Boy Scouts' Rooms, Nov. 25-26. Birds were sent all the way from North of England, and competition was very keen. Quality was really A1. Mr. Alderslade makes a very able secretary, and Mr. Clarke, his assistant, worked like a Trojan. Mr. C. E. Hill, Emsworth, judged.

NOR. CL. (13): 1, Morrison, grand yell. fine head and chest, not looking over well in cond., wants tubbing; 2, Fellows, buff, staged to perfection, good body, not quite the head properties of winner; 3, he, Welch, buff, rare qual. and col.; res, Page; vhc, Miles. TKD, ETC. (5): 1, sp, best Nor., Hydes' sp., Welch, fine yell. best of heads, wonderful col. and subs.; 2, Fellows, very taking; 3, Morrison, one of the best of type and qual., but out of cond.; res, Miles; vhc, Potter; he, Page. GR. OR HEAVILY VAR.: 1, Foyle, splendid Nor. properties, wins; 2, Morrison, very fine var. yell., bit down when we saw it; 3, Welch, rare type, smaller than winners; res, Washer; vhc, Miles; he, Page. HEN (8): Grand lot: 1, 2, Morrison, good bulls, not much to choose between them; 3, Welch, nice type and qual.; res, vhc, Miles; he, Foyle. YORKS. CL. (13): 1, vhc, Gamble, leader, finely drawn, put down in the pink; 2, White, buff, feathered like a Java, lovely Yorks. properties; 3, Yates, yell., very quick to respond, gets into pos. well; res, c, Adams; he, Matthews. TKD. (11): Here the sensation of the show: 1, sp best Yorks., Gamble, one of the best drawn birds we have seen, straight as a rush, well up to standard length, not a feather out of place, tail beautifully folded, gem of the first water, soon found a new home; 2, vhc, Matthews, nicely mkd. yell., only fault crosses his wings a wee bit; 3, White, rare good one; vhc, Gamble; he, Maidment. GR. OR VARIEG. (5): 1, Yates, good yell., should have been in previous class, only the word "variegated" lets any bird with two colours compete, the class, however, would not seem to be intended for a lightly mkd. bird; 2, he, Fellows, nice shaped Green; 3, White, close up; c, Clarke. HEN (8): 1, Maidment, very neat yell., beautifully drawn; 2, 3, Gamble, 2 close up, 3 another nice hen; vhc, Yates; res, Matthews; he, White. CRESTS (1): 1, Adams, lovely Grey Crest, well radiated, and good size. BIRD. OR ROLLER: 1, Thornback, very neat, well shown bird; 2, vhc, Page, former nice cinn. mkd. bird; 3, Woolgar; he, Alexander. LIGHT MULES: 1, 2, Harnell, nice broken birds, one very nearly even mark. DARK (11): 1, Lomer, fine Green, very lustrous col., good size; 2, res, Clarke, nice Siskin Mules, good size, feather, and cond.; 3, Alderslade, pretty Goldf. Can., not over large, but very bright in col.; vhc, White; he, Lacey, Fellows. GOLDF. (8): Very nice lot indeed: 1, sp, best Brit., Burr, one of the best, col. beautifully defined, whites and tanning good, a first-class exhibition Finch, soon sold; 2, Foyle, very good Finch; 3, Fellows, real Britisher; res, Alderslade; vhc, Washer; he, White; c, Clarke. BULF. (5): Nice level lot: 1, vhc, Potter, excellent col., lovely cap, put down to perfection; 2, 3, Burr, not much to choose, 1 had it a bit in size; 3 another smart Finch; res, Alderslade. LINNET: 1, Burr, standing right out for pencilling and col., wants some beating, fine size, lovely shape; 2, Clarke; 3, Alderslade, both well shown. GREENF. (8): 1, Burr, lovely Finch, fine in col. and size, wonderfully steady; 2, Lomer; 3, Vale, both good Greens, but beaten here; res, Clarke; he, Lees; c, Alderslade. CHAFFINCH: 1, sp, Cook, well defined markings, very steady; 2, Alderslade, less in size, but a good Finch; 3, Woolgar. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Hames, Redpoll, shown in the pink of cond.; 2, Alderslade, Twite, very pretty, very fit; 3, Woolgar, good Siskin; res, Fellows; vhc, Lees; he, Potter; c, Daniels. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, Burr, clicking Yellow Bunting; 2, Lomer, Cirl; 3, Vale, Reed Bunting, both in rare show form; res, Vale; vhc, Alderslade. FOR.: 1, Lacey, in fine trim, col. most beautifully blended; 2, vhc, Alderslade, pair White-headed Mannikins, well shown; 3, vhc, Thornback, pair Cutthroats and Jaws. SELL. (11): 1, Page; 2, Foyle; 3, Mules; res, Gamble; vhc, Clarke, Fellows.

HIGHGATE, HAMPSTEAD C.B.S.

Annual members' show, Nov. 20 and 21. Thanks to the indefatigable efforts of Mr. A. Hyde, the popular and efficient hon. sec., and the excellent response of the members to his appeal, the entry was very little below that of past shows, and quality in some sections was decidedly superior. Norwich contained some remarkably fine birds, type and quality being pre-eminent, whilst some of them were fed to perfection. It was to the Yorkshire section that the Fouche challenge cup for the best unfledged bird fell. Mr. A. Knight winning with a full-blooded, grand positioned bird, which was generally admired. Mr. Knight is to be congratulated upon securing this trophy in the novice section. The same gentleman also won Mr. Weston's cup for the most points scored by vhc, he, and a bird at Pairs, Young Birds, and Annual shows, 1914. Mr. Kent won sp. for best Canary bred by exhibitor in the champion section; Mr. J. Hyde in amateurs; and Mr. Millsom in novices. Mrs. Ward won sp. best bird shown by a lady. Messrs. P. Johnson, W. Shorter, and W. Large tied with 15 points each for Mr. Trower's special. Amongst the other special winners were: Messrs. A. Lovegrove (6), W. J. Kent, J. Hyde, W. Knight (2), H. Bailey, S. T. Newcombe, R. T. Dann, E. T. Bush, Wills (3), Millsom, A. Knight (10), Byne (2), Cowie (2), Walmesley, Shearer, Withers, Large, Mound, Alton, M. Jones, Pike, Mr. J. Robson judged, and had a sharp morning's work. During the day Mr. C. W. Law, the respected late sec., was present to render assistance, thus maintaining his interest in the society. The staging was well arranged, and the attendance, especially on the Saturday evening, was excellent. The general verdict was "a good show, quality excellent, numbers quite the average, and management first-rate."

CHAMP. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Lovegrove; 3, he, Dann; vhc, Cowie; c, Wakefield. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Lovegrove; vhc, Sparks; he, Bell. VARIEG.: 1, vhc, Lovegrove; 2, Sparks; he, Bell; c, Spark. HEN: 1, Dann; 2, Byne; 3, Wakefield; vhc, he, c, Lovegrove. UNFLIG.: 1, Byne; 2, Wakefield; 3, vhc, he, Lovegrove; c, Bell. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Kent; 2, Bush; 3, Jones; vhc, Shakepeare. BUFF: 1, Kent; 2, Bush. VARIEG.: 1, Kent; 2, Jones. HEN: 1, Bush; 2, Jones; 3, Kent. BORD.: 1, Shakepeare; 2, Dann. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Shakepeare. AMAL. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Hyde; 2, Wills; 3, vhc, Walmesley. BUFF: 1, 3, Wills; 2, Large; vhc, he, Walmesley. VARIEG.: 1, Large; 2, 3, Walmesley. HEN: 1, 2, Wills; 3, vhc, Walmesley. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Wills; vhc, c, Large; he, Walmesley. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, W. Knight. BUFF: 1, W. Knight. HEN: 1, W. Knight. UNFLIG.: 1, W. Knight. NOV. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, A. Knight; 2, Millsom. BUFF: 1, Bailey; 2, Millsom; 3, A. Knight; vhc, Day. VARIEG.: 1, 3, vhc, c, A. Knight; 2, Bailey. HEN: 1, Mr. Wood; 2, 5, Day; vhc, A. Knight; 3, Bailey. UNFLIG.: 1, Millsom; 2, he, c, Withers; 3, Mrs. Wood; vhc, Bailey. CREST: 1, J. M. Kent. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Johnston; 2, Withers; 3, Owsen; vhc, Carrington and Petty. BUFF: 1, 1, Newcombe; 2, Johnston; 3, Shearer; vhc,

A. Knight; he, Carrington and Petty; c, Millsom. VARIEG.: 1, 2, A. Knight; 3, Millsom; vhc, he, Johnston; c, Bryant. HEN: 1, Newcombe; 2, 3, Johnston; vhc, A. Knight; he, c, Shearer. UNFLIG.: 1, A. Knight; 2, vhc, Withers; 3, he, Newcombe; c, Johnston. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Pike; 2, 3, Millsom. MULE AND HYB.: 1, Dann; 2, 3, c, Day; vhc, Street; he, Carrington and Petty. NAT. COL. CAN.: 1, Gambull. PURCHASED: 1, Gambull; 2, Bryant. GOLDF.: 1, Byne; 2, Shearer; 3, Millsom; vhc, Bush; he, Shorter; c, Fiske. BULF.: 1, 3, Alton and Jones; 2, Street; vhc, Shorter; he, Bailey. GREENF.: 1, Street; 2, vhc, Alton and Jones; 3, J. M. Kent; he, Mound; c, Day. LINNET: 1, 2, Shorter; 3, Carrington and Petty; vhc, he, Mound; c, A. Knight. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Alton M. Jones; 2, A. Knight; 3, vhc, Mound. CHAFF. AND BRAMBLE: 1, Street; 2, Kent. HEN: 1, he, Mound; 2, Street; 3, A. Knight; vhc, Alton M. Jones. BLACKBIRD, ETC.: 1, A. Knight. INSECTIV.: 1, Alton M. Jones. FOR.: 1, W. Shorter. SELLS, 15s.: 1, Bryant. 30s.: 1, 2, Hyde; 3, Cowie; vhc, A. Knight. GIFT: 1, W. Knight; 2, A. Knight.

ASHINGTON, HIRST C.B.S.

Annual Show Nov. 7, Harmonie Hall, a nice place for a show, plenty of size, nice light, and comfortable in every way. Entries totalled nearly 200, quality throughout being very good, especially in Norwich, Yorks, and Borders. Spl. for best young bird was won by Mr. J. Anderson, with a very smart unfledged yell. Yorks. cock, slim and stylish, and always in position. The same bird also won Sandford's medal for hottest fed bird, and deserved the honour, its colour being magnificent. Mr. J. Graham, Newbiggin, was the runner-up for spl. for best bird, with a lovely clear yellow border of grand shape and col. Mr. J. Miles, the general chairman, despite the urgency of business matters, found time to attend the show and do his share towards making it a success. He was greatly supported by a line of fanciers, Vice-Chairman (Mr. T. Thompson), Treas. (Mr. J. Miles), and a grand committee composed of Messrs. F. Baker, J. Graham, G. Hall, C. Tapson, J. Embleton and J. Anderson. Mr. Joe Lock, who is a reservist, and has been called up to the Colours, obtained leave of absence to visit the show and have a look at some of his favourite Borders, which had been very nicely staged by Mrs. Lock. Good luck to him. In Mr. W. Hall the Society have a very energetic Sec., courteous and obliging to all, and he got through his work splendidly. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. YELL. (8): 1, 2, Armstrong; 3, he, Thompson; vhc, Hancock; c, Richardson. BUFF (7): 1, Rowell; 2, he, Armstrong; 3, vhc, Thompson; c, Richardson. HEN (10): 1, he, Thompson; 2, c, Armstrong; 3, Richardson; vhc, Baker. BORD. YELL. CK. (1914) (7): 1, c, Graham; 2, Anderson; 3, vhc, Lock; he, Rowell. BUFF (9): 1, Anderson; 2, Hall; 3, vhc, Graham; he, c, Lock. HEN (7): 1, 3, Graham; 2, vhc, Lock; he, c, Anderson. YORK. YELL. CK. (1914) (8): 1, 2, 2 sps., Anderson; 3, vhc, Charlton; he, c, Baker. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Anderson; 2, vhc, Hall; he, Charlton; c, Hancock. HEN (6): 1, Charlton; 2, 3, Anderson; vhc, Embleton; he, Hall; c, Hancock. CINN. CK. YELL. (5): 1, Baker; 2, 3, Rowell; vhc, Thompson; he, King. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Thompson; 2, vhc, Rowell; he, Hall. HEN (3): 1, 3, Rowell; 2, Hall; 3, vhc, Thompson; 3, Hall. A.O.V. (7): 1, vhc, Graham; 2, he, Rowell; 3, Thompson; c, Lock. NOR. PAIR (7): 1, 3, Armstrong; 2, Baker; vhc, Thompson; he, Richardson; c, Reaveley. BORD. PAIR (8): 1, 3, Graham; 2, vhc, Lock; he, Hall; c, Anderson. A.O.V. PAIR (4): 1, 3, Rowell; 2, Thompson; vhc, Hall. MULE OR HYB. (1914) (4): 1, 2, Thompson; 3, vhc, Doar. NOV. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, Whillis; 3, Tapson; vhc, Morton; he, Embleton; c, Fletcher. HEN (4): 1, Tapson; 2, 3, Whillis; vhc, Fletcher. BORD. CK. (8): 1, c, Whillis; 2, 3, W. Graham; vhc, he, Lawson. HEN (8): 1, vhc, W. Graham; 2, Lawson; 3, he, Whillis; c, Embleton. MULE, ETC. (5): 1, Chambers; 2, vhc, Embleton; 3, Whillis; he, Lawson. PAIRS (5): 1, he, Lawson; 2, Whillis; 3, Tapson; vhc, Chambers. A.V. CAN. never previously shown (2): 1, Fletcher; 2, Chambers. LINNET (7): 1, Edwards; 2, 3, King; vhc, Hall; he, Reaveley; c, Edwards. A.O. BRIT. (10): 1, Lawson; 2, Hall; 3, Embleton; vhc, Anderson; he, Morton; c, Hancock. GIFT (12): 1, Baker; 2, Thompson; 3, Rowell; vhc, Whillis; he, Anderson; c, Hall.

GOVENTRY (Godiva) C.B.S.

Special Members' Show, Oct. 24, in place of the Open Show cancelled on account of the War. Plough Hotel, Queen Victoria Road; upwards of 150 birds were shown, a record for any members' show in Coventry. Councillor Poole, President, kindly gave four pairs of Coventry made braces as specials; these were won by Messrs. Wright, Roycroft, Rowley, and Cox. Mr. Fincher won Rameden's and Mr. Rowley's specials for the best bird fed on Ramsden's peppers, and Mr. A. Wright Mr. Blackshaw's special for most 1st prizes. Mr. A. J. Davies, Coventry, judged, and his awards gave every satisfaction.

NOR. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1, c, Rowley; 2, Shirley; 3, Wright; vhc, Roycroft; he, Saunders. BUFF: 1, c, 2, Wright; 3, Buckley; vhc, c, Fincher; he, Saunders. HEN: 1, c, Wright; 2, Buckley; 3, Roycroft; vhc, Fincher; he, Cox. CL. ETC. YELL.: 1914: 1, 2, sp, vhc, he, Fincher; 2, Shirley; 3, Cox; c, Rowley. BUFF: 1, sp, Wright; 2, 3, Shirley; vhc, Cox; he, Buckley; c, Arundell. HEN, 1914: 1, Buckley; 2, 3, Wright; vhc, c, Roycroft; he, Fincher. NAT. COL.: 1, Wright; 2, Rowley; 3, Atkins; vhc, Arundell. NOR. CIN. SELF. OR FOUL: 1, Wright; 2, Roycroft; 3, vhc, Rowley. BRED, 1914: 1, Wright; 2, vhc, Rowley; 3, Roycroft. NOR. G. SELF. OR FOUL: 1, Wright; 2, Roycroft; 3, Shirley. BRED, 1914: 1, sp, Roycroft; 2, vhc, Rowley; 3, Wright; he, Shirley; c, Buckley. YORKS. CL. ETC.: 1, Symonds; 2, Adkins; 3, Rowley; vhc, Wright. HENS: 1, Wright; 2, Symonds; 3, Rowley; vhc, Saunders. BRED 1914: 1, Wright; 2, Rowley. YORKS. CINN. OR GR.: 1, sp, 3, vhc, Rowley; 2, Saunders; he, Adkins. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Rowley; he, Adkins. HYE: 1, Rowley; 2, Adkins. PAIRS: 1, Wright; 2, Roycroft; 3, Cox; vhc, Buckley; he, Saunders. SELLS: 1, vhc, Cox; 2, Shirley; 3, Roycroft; he, Arundell. GOLDF. OR BULF.: 1, Buckley; 2, Adkins; 3, Arundell; vhc, Rowley. SOFTBILL: 1, Green; 2, Rowley; 3, Adkins. F. A. Green, Hon. Ass't. Sec.

CLYDEBANK.

Annual show held Lesser Town Hall, Clydebank, Nov. 28. The hall is a very suitable one, free from draughts and well lighted from both sides of the roof. Mr. G. McGowan, President, and Mr. W. Kane, Sec., are worthy of the appreciation and trust reposed in them, and they are ably backed by Messrs. Morton and Sheridan as Vice-Pres., Mr. Chambers, Treas., and an experienced and capable committee in Messrs. Laing, Tawse, Robb, McBride, Easton, Hutchison, and McArdle. Mr. A. McLean and Mr. Matthew Craig judged, and got through their duties in a smart and businesslike fashion. Entries were in excess of last year, and the show was well patronised in the afternoon. Mr. J. Tawse won spl. most points.

CRESTS (4): 1, Blyth, large wing mkd. D.C., good feather and cond., nicely staged; 2, 4, McNair, nice Cinn. Crests, cl. body, could do with more subs.; 3, Roberts, fine grizzle crest, good size and subs., nice spread top, just trifle open in centre, could be improved. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, spl, best young bird, McNeill, nice subs., fine even col. and splendid qual., short and neat, in the pink; 2, French, hot, even col. and nice qual., nicely balanced through, neat and shapely, only a trifle behind in subs.; 3, 4, Campbell. BUFF (4): 1, Tawse, fine size and qual., hot col. and richly mated, neat and chapey, fine carr. and steady; 2, French, nice type and qual., carries wings loosely, behind in col. and subs.; 3, Campbell, stylish and neat; 4, McNeill. YELL. VAR. (9): 1, McNeill, fine broken gr., capital cond., fine type and qual.; 2, Wright, even mark, fine subs. and type, nicely bal.; 3, Campbell, nice size and good col., falls in type and steadiness. HEN (4): 1, spl, 2, spl, French, 1 finely coupled and neat, nice carr. and style, 2 capital feather, larger, but not so clean cut away, good front and top end; 3, Tawse, head tkd., not so large, but neat all over, just wants more head; 4, Docherty. BUFF VAR. CK. (4): 1, 2 sps., Tawse, capital feather, grand size and qual., fine shape, well filled-in, fine col. and qual., typical; 3, Campbell, plenty size and col., rather rough; 4, Docherty. HEN (5): 1, McNair, short and neatly built, shapely; 2, French, head and wing mkd., nice type and qual., runs well up; 3, McKay; 4, Chambers. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1st, spl, Blyth, nicely made, fine fettle, nice head and neck, neat carr. and style; 2, 3, McArdle, leader line qual., head tkd., neat and shapely, better drawn and presses hard for top position, 3rd similar build, but rather strong in head points; 4, Tawse. BUFF (3): 1, Clunie, nice wing mark, fine feather, good col., fine qual., neatly braced wings and close tail; 2, 3, McArdle. BUFF VAR. (3): 1, 3, Brown, leader nice feather, of good qual., stylish and neat, 3rd good cond., nice build; 2, Blyth, lovely qual. and shape, even eyes and green tail, very neat, our choice. GR. OR CINN. (4): 1, 2, spl, Laing, capital col. yell-gr., nice feather, neat pencilling, stylish and steady, 2nd also on a table at the top of the hall. At the close, Mr. and Mrs. McPherson kindly presented them to the successful competitors. Great regret was expressed throughout at the inability through illness of our worthy president to attend, and the wish of all is that he will soon be himself again. Judges were: Scotch Fancies, Mr. J. McLennan, Edinburgh; Bord., Mr. G. Hyslop, Stirling; Mr. Winter, Edinburgh, the remainder, and grumbling was conspicuous by its absence.

SCOTCH FANCY YELL. CK. (2): 1, W. Rodgers; 2, Campbell. BUFF (7): 1, 4, W. Rodgers; 2, 3, 4, Rogers; 5, Campbell; 6, 7, Preston. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Campbell; 2, W. Rodgers; 3, Preston. BUFF (12): 1, 2, 3, 7, J. Rodgers; 4, Campbell; 5, 6, 8, Preston. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (30): 1, Elder; 2, 6, Crabb; 3, 4, 7, Brydon; 5, Napier; 8, Whitson. BUFF (31): 1, 2, Michie; 3, J. Rodgers; 4, Campbell; 5, 8, Napier; 6, Crabb. A.O.C. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, Michie; 4, Napier; 5, Smith; 6, McCrum; 7, Daily. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Napier; 2, Michie; 3, 5, Elder; 6, Crabb; 7, Whitson; 8, McCrum. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (19): 1, 5, Michie; 2, 4, Elder; 3, Napier; 6, 7, Daily; 8, Crabb. BUFF (25): 1, 2, 5, Michie; 3, 4, 6, Napier; 7, Davidson; 8, Whitson. A.O.C. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Michie; 2, Scott; 3, Robertson; 4, 6, Napier; 7, Campbell; 8, Whitson. BUFF (9): 1, 3, 4, 5, Napier; 2, Dickson; 6, Campbell; 7, Michie; 8, Brydon. NOR. YELL. CK. (13): 1, 3, Smith; 2, Daily; 4, Napier; 5, 8, Thompson; 6, Daily; 7, Scott. BUFF (16): 1, 5, Smith; 2, Campbell; 3, 4, Elder; 6, Napier; 7, Robertson; 8, Preston. YELL. HEN (13): 1, 2, 3, 5, Preston; 4, Campbell; 6, Smith; 7, Robertson; 8, Elder. BUFF (14): 1, 4, Elder; 2, 5, Smith; 2, Preston; 6, 8, Robertson; 7, Napier. MULE OR HYB. (12): 1, 3, 4, Preston; 2, 8, Campbell; 5, 6, 7, Begbie. BRIT. (22): 1, Michie; 2, Dickson; 3, Robertson; 4, 8, Davidson; 5, Downie; 6, Elder; 7, Morrison.—Jas. Napier, Sec.

cond., only colour counts against it; 3, Morton, A1 cond. and hard up for size and col., little behind the best. GOLDF. OR BULF. (8): 1, McKown, capital Goldf., nice size, grand col., rich blaze, deep and square-cut, pure col. and marks, steady; 2, Robb, fine Bullf., grand size and col., broad, deep, and well defined, jet black cap and nice salmon front, nice wing bars; 3, McArdle, good Goldie, but beaten here in blaze and purity of col.; 4, Clunie. LINNET (8): 1, spl, Laing, nice H.M., fine pencilling, steady, fine ground col.; 2, Robb, capital F.M., trifle bolder in size and appearance, finely pencilled; 3, Morton, nice one for col. and pencilling, steady; 4, Hutchison. SISKIN, &c. (6): 1, spl, 4, McArdle, leader capital Redpoll, rich ground col. and markings, nicely pencilled, fine cap and bib; 2, 3, Hutchison, Siskin and Redpoll, 2nd nice size and fine col., steady, 3rd nice size and feather, but lacks the rich ground col. of leader. GREENF. (6): 1, Tawse, fine col. and size, steady, in grand feather, wins well; 2, Hutchison, nice col. and cond., fails to leader in size; 3, Morton, similar to 2nd; 4, McArdle. BRAMBLE OR CHAFFINCH (1): 1, Robb, fine Chaffinch. SMALL (1): 1, Laing, nice Yellowhammer. LARGE: 1, 2 sps, cup best Brit. or Mule, Robb, good Thrush, perfect feather, very steady. BULF. HEN (3): 1, McArdle, rich shade of col., expansive, neat fitting cap, clean cut bars, steady and trim; 2, Morton, not so steady as might be; 3, Hutchison, very steady, must have run hard up for 2nd. HEN, EXCEPT BULF. (3): 1, Robb; 2, 3, McArdle, two former nice Greenies, 3rd good Chaffinch. FOR.: 1, McKown, nice Siberian Goldie, in the pink, good markings and steady. GIFT: 1, Tawse; 1, McGowan; 3, French; 4, Morton.

COLINTON AND CURRIE PARISHES O.S.

3rd annual show, Village Hall, Juniper Green, Nov. 7. Entries totalled 230, and showed a vast improvement in quality from previous years. The fanciers in this locality are paying a great deal of attention to the staging of their exhibits. At previous shows some good birds were out of the tickets owing to not being well staged, but they are gaining experience, and a vast improvement is the result. Cup for best Scotch Fancy was won by Jas. P. Rodgers with a buff pied-bill hen of grand quality and position. Cup for best Border by Sec. Jas. Napier, with a sweet little lady, a buff variegated hen as tight as wax. The Norwich section was a feature of the show, some real stormers being forward. The pride of place and Fowler cup were won by Mr. T. B. Preston with a slashing yell. hen; cup for best British or Mule was won by the Vice-President, Mr. J. Michie, with a very nice Bullie cock put down in grand cond. A new feature is a cup presented by Mr. Gibson for the best bird shown by a novice, and this nice piece of plate was captured by Mr. H. Dickson with a very nice Goldie. As in previous years, a splendid lot of specials were got together, totalling 67, and a fine array they made spread out on a table at the top of the hall. At the close, Mr. and Mrs. McPherson kindly presented them to the successful competitors. Great regret was expressed throughout at the inability through illness of our worthy president to attend, and the wish of all is that he will soon be himself again. Judges were: Scotch Fancies, Mr. J. McLennan, Edinburgh; Bord., Mr. G. Hyslop, Stirling; Mr. Winter, Edinburgh, the remainder, and grumbling was conspicuous by its absence.

SCOTCH FANCY YELL. CK. (2): 1, W. Rodgers; 2, Campbell. BUFF (7): 1, 4, W. Rodgers; 2, 3, 4, Rogers; 5, Campbell; 6, 7, Preston. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Campbell; 2, W. Rodgers; 3, Preston. BUFF (12): 1, 2, 3, 7, J. Rodgers; 4, Campbell; 5, 6, 8, Preston. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (30): 1, Elder; 2, 6, Crabb; 3, 4, 7, Brydon; 5, Napier; 8, Whitson. BUFF (31): 1, 2, Michie; 3, J. Rodgers; 4, Campbell; 5, 8, Napier; 6, Crabb. A.O.C. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, Michie; 4, Napier; 5, Smith; 6, McCrum; 7, Daily. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Napier; 2, Michie; 3, 5, Elder; 6, Crabb; 7, Whitson; 8, McCrum. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (19): 1, 5, Michie; 2, 4, Elder; 3, Napier; 6, 7, Daily; 8, Crabb. BUFF (25): 1, 2, 5, Michie; 3, 4, 6, Napier; 7, Davidson; 8, Whitson. A.O.C. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Michie; 2, Scott; 3, Robertson; 4, 6, Napier; 7, Campbell; 8, Whitson. BUFF (9): 1, 3, 4, 5, Napier; 2, Dickson; 6, Campbell; 7, Michie; 8, Brydon. NOR. YELL. CK. (13): 1, 3, Smith; 2, Daily; 4, Napier; 5, 8, Thompson; 6, Daily; 7, Scott. BUFF (16): 1, 5, Smith; 2, Campbell; 3, 4, Elder; 6, Napier; 7, Robertson; 8, Preston. YELL. HEN (13): 1, 2, 3, 5, Preston; 4, Campbell; 6, Smith; 7, Robertson; 8, Elder. BUFF (14): 1, 4, Elder; 2, 5, Smith; 2, Preston; 6, 8, Robertson; 7, Napier. MULE OR HYB. (12): 1, 3, 4, Preston; 2, 8, Campbell; 5, 6, 7, Begbie. BRIT. (22): 1, Michie; 2, Dickson; 3, Robertson; 4, 8, Davidson; 5, Downie; 6, Elder; 7, Morrison.—Jas. Napier, Sec.

GT. HORTON (Good intent) O.S.

Show, Nov. 7, Grange Schools, Dirklill. Judge, Mr. R. Halliday. 74 birds were staged. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, 4, A. Firth; 2, G. H. Warburton; 3, T. Oldfield; vhc, A. Holden; he, H. Schofield; c, A. Pedder. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. YORKS. (8): 1, 2, Warburton; 3, vhc, Ackroyd; 4, Bartle; he, Oldfield; c, Wheelwright. EVEN, ETC. YELL.: 1, Warburton. BUFF (9): 1, Holden; 2, 3, Warburton. YELL. YORKS. HEN (9): 1, vhc, Firth; 2, Bartle; 3, Ackroyd; 4, he, Holden; c, Wheelwright. BUFF (8): 1, 4, Ackroyd; 2, Warburton; 3, Bartle; vhc, Holden; he, Wheelwright; c, Pedder. UNFLIG. CK. (8): 1, 3, he, Firth; 2, Pedder; 4, c, Wheelwright; vhc, Whittaker. HEN (9): 1, vhc, Ackroyd; 2, Pedder; 3, 4, vhc, he, Kabery; c, Plowright. HEN (10): 1, he, Plowright; 2, 3, vhc, Kabery; c, Pedder. A.O.V.: 1, Jowett. Most points: A. Firth 26, G. H. Warburton 25, G. Ackroyd 24, J. W. Kabery 20, A. Pedder 19, D. Bartle 15. Total points for the year to count for cup, the highest six are: A. Firth 53, G. H. Warburton 52, D. Bartle 49, G. Ackroyd 46, A. Pedder 34, J. W. Kabery 26. A. Firth, Sec.

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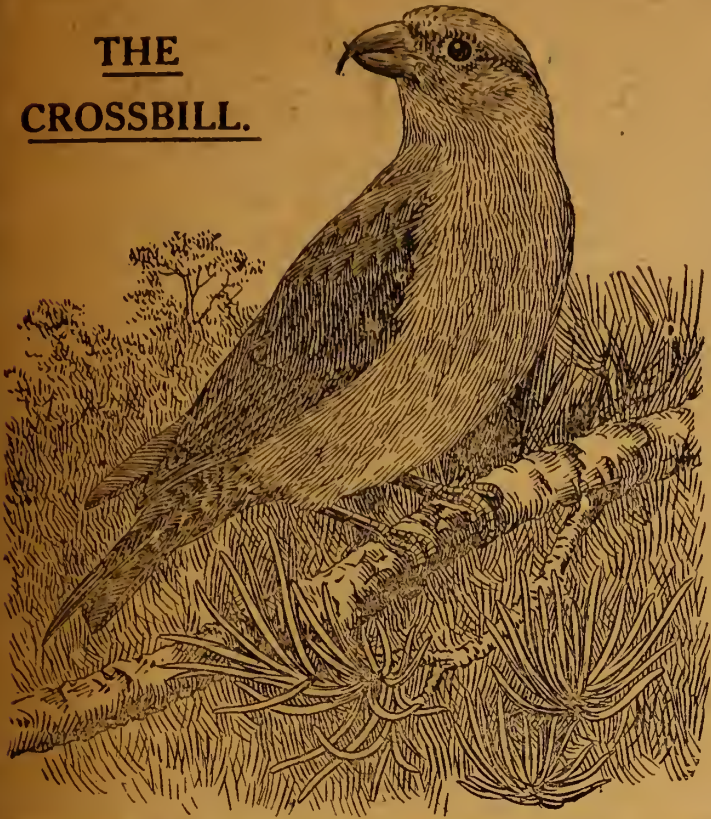
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SOME FEATHERED EXQUISITES AT THE HORTICULTURAL HALL SHOW.

By **WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.**
(Continued from page 285.)

Peter's Spotted Firefinch.

THIS beautiful Finch (*Lagonosticta niveiguttata*) is a rare appearance on the show bench, and the specimen exhibited by Mr. Frost would have been much higher but for a damaged wing, otherwise it was in good condition and perfect plumage. It certainly is one of the most beautiful of the many beautiful Finches Africa gives to the bird-lover. In form it more closely resembles the Melba Finch than the typical Firefinches, and it very probably has closer affinity to the former than the latter. Mr. Goodchild's characteristic drawing clearly indicates the plumage pattern, and a few words will suffice to clothe it with the splendour of the living bird. The forehead, top of the head, wings and back are warm olive-brown; lobes, sides of face, sides of neck, chin, throat, upper breast and tail glowing crimson; remainder of underparts dark brown and black, regularly spotted with pure white spots; the beak is silver-black, and the legs and feet greyish. The female is mostly brown, spotted with white on the underparts; she has a red tail and a patch of the same colour on her breast. Over a long period of years it has appeared on the show bench only on three or four occasions, and very probably these appearances cover but two specimens. Aviculturists have longed to possess it in pairs, that they might attempt to reproduce it in their aviaries, and the competition will be keen indeed for the first pair Fate places within our reach.

But for the blemish above referred to, viz., a wing that has been broken, and though perfectly healed, does not lie in quite the correct position, handicapping it for exhibition, though not for the aviary, it would most probably have secured premier honours. It is a species that would adorn any collection.

Bourke's Parrakeet.

While the beautiful Parrakeets of Australia are almost legion, there are few, if any, that rival or surpass Bourke's (*Neophema bourkei*) for exquisite and chaste colouration, and to beauty of plumage must be added graceful contour and small size.

The plumage pattern can be clearly seen on our plate—as regards colour much space would be required to give it in detail, and I can only state that it is a charming arrangement of delicate greys, delicate pinks, delicate blues, brown, black, and white; the whole so chastely thrown together that the harmony is perfect.

It is a species that does well in captivity, and once established can be comfortably wintered out of doors in any aviary that has a draught-proof and dry shelter attached to it. It has shown itself fairly ready to reproduce its kind in captivity, but, like the Budgerigar, seems to be most productive where several pairs are housed together. It is an amiable species, but, of course, this must be qualified by the remark that, even

among species of gentle repute pugnacious individuals occur. But for the fact that Parrakeets destroy plant life so rapidly, I should not hesitate to include it in a large aviary among Finches, etc., providing there was ample space for all.

It makes a gentle and fairly quiet cage-bird, but as far as my experience goes has not so much character and vivacity as some other genera (*Brotogerys* for instance) under such conditions. As an aviary bird it is ideal, while as an exhibition bird it is sure to catch the eye of the judge if in passable condition. The bird from which our illustration is taken was staged by Miss A. B. Smyth in perfect condition, and very steady. It was second to a beautiful pair of Queen Alexandra Parrakeets staged by Miss Clare.

The menu of Bourke's is very simple:—Canary, white millet, and millet sprays form the staple dietary. Green-food and any kind of fruit the birds will take should also be regularly supplied. To these should be added the essentials for every bird—grit, cuttlebone, and fresh water for drinking and bathing.

The Black-checked Tanager.

This species (*Calliste cayana*), also known as the Lesser Rufous-headed, is certainly one of the most beautiful of a marvellously beautiful group, and merits a full description. Top of head shining rufous-ochreous; general body colouring, golden-ochreous; facial patch round eyes and over ear-coverts, black; back and rump, greenish; wings and tail, black, broadly margined on outer webs with brilliant bluish-green; throat with bluish-refulgence; breast and upper abdomen glossed with greyish-lilacine, varying in intensity according to light; beak, blackish; legs and feet, greyish-brown. The female differs from the male in being altogether plainer in colour, but is nevertheless a very pretty bird. General body colour, greyish-ochreous, washed on the crown with rufous, and on the breast with bluish; the facial patch is smaller and less distinct than that of the male; wings and tail blackish with broad olive-green margins.

The genus *Calliste* contains many species that are certainly half-hardy, but I should have no hesitation in leaving an established Black-cheek out of doors all the winter. I possessed a male of this species in 1907, which was successfully wintered in a rather damp outdoor bird-room, where the temperature was often as low as 28 deg. Fahr., yet during the dullest and coldest period of that winter's days it was never dull, but always cheery, bright and vivacious, which is more than could be said for its owner. Early in the following summer it went to Mr. O. Millsum, eventually, I believe, passing into Mons. Pauvvels' collection. It makes an ideal cage bird, but it is still rare and difficult to procure in this country, though apparently quite common in British and French

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The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By **J. TOMLINSON.**

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Continued from page 285.)

TO be fully explicit I will illustrate it so: Judge A. judges two birds that make a tie, neither of them are penalised for any faults, he gives to one bird five points for general effect. In his opinion the beauty of the whole song, and maybe individual tours, are worthy of these five points. To bird No. 2 he gives four points for general effect; Judge A. says the bird with five points for general effect is the winner.

Judge B. gives one bird four for general effect and another three for general effect, yet in the event of a tie, should the bird with the three points for general effect have sung a larger number of the lower tours Judge B. says that this bird with the smaller number for general effect is the winner. I myself favour Judge A's principles. Reader, it is for you to be stirring in these matters rather than be apathetic, trusting that a reverse under such differences of opinions will not come your way.

Required from the Fancier.

I believe I have now written quite sufficient about the birds' requirements, and would like to touch on a few points that are required from the fancier. In our zeal for our hobby, we are liable to overlook the fact that we should be just not only to ourselves, but to our families. If we accumulate stock to the detriment of the family purse, we are not just to those dependent upon us. If we allow our stock to grow to over-large proportions, the feeding, watering, and other requirements will be an arduous task, instead of being a labour of love.

Old fanciers keep the amount of their stock down to reasonable proportion. But what of the new fancier? He may find that the large stock accumulated in his zeal is becoming a burden, and in such case he should follow the method of the old fancier, rather than give up the hobby under the mistaken impression that it is too hard a labour, and takes up too much time.

Should he be desirous of joining a society, it is his duty to understand what will be required from him as a club member. After he is elected and his club subscription is paid, he is, for better or worse, a shareholder in his society and its

affairs. In the event of a deficit in the finances, he is equally responsible with every other member for his proportion of that deficit. On the other hand, in the event of a society being disbanded, he is eligible to receive an equal proportion, with every other member, of the balance of cash that stands in the name of the society.

It is his duty to attend the club's meetings, especially if he reside within an easy access of the society's club room, and not to leave the business of the club to be carried on by the few, for it is disheartening to the secretary, and those who attend each meeting, to find a poor attendance of their fellow members. Even should there be no special business to be transacted, he is shirking his duty by non-attendance. It is the bounden duty of all, when possibly convenient, to attend the meetings.

The Use of a Bird Organ.

Our duties are not completed by attendance at the club's meeting; we should promote and enter into discussions for the edification and welfare of our fellow members, for all are not familiar with the various and sometimes intricate subjects connected with our hobby. One may be well versed in the breeding, another in the training, another may only have a rudimentary knowledge of the proper feeding, or say the renovating of the cages, and an exchange of ideas is beneficial to all, makes the meetings attractive and instructive, and is an incentive to the recruiting of new members. Remember always that the expert staff and the columns of CAGE BIRDS are ever at your service, gratis.

I have frequently been asked whether it is necessary to have an organ to assist in the training of the young birds, and many debates have taken place on the usefulness or otherwise of the organ, while the point of their often being offered for sale has not been neglected. It is obvious that all are not for sale for the same reason; in one the tone may not be to the owner's liking, sounding hard, or forced, and not sufficiently mellow, or, it may be pitched too high on some of the tours. Again, organs vary in the length of time of "running down," and more attention is necessary for one organ than for another.

(To be continued.)

Tips for Novice Canary Fanciers.

By **J. TAYLOR (Aldwych, W.C.)**

One of the "Ten Minute Lectures" recently given before the City and Suburban A.C.B.

ALWAYS have plenty of fresh air in your room, but avoid draughts.

Always have clean water in the drinkers, and freely use the bath.

In Winter think over what you intend to do in the Spring. Never wait till that season of the year comes round.

Get your breeding cages ready and fixed up by the end of January, with all the accessories complete and in working order.

Have movable cage fronts and perches. Also have sand-trays, so that you can go in

the evening and clean out without disturbing the hen on her nest when sitting.

Use Sanitary Distemper for the inside of cages. It is so easy to use, and is also a disinfectant and kills red-mite.

Look out for your stock birds as soon as the moulting season is over (about October) and not later than December, so that the birds get to know their new owner—especially the hens.

Feed your birds that you intend to breed with about the month of February with egg-food, and also some mixed seeds. At this time of year the weather is more trying, and they want warmer food. Don't give a lot of green food; soaked rape and sweet apple are best.

The beginning or middle of March I consider soon enough to pair your birds, unless they are in a very forward condition. Those that are backward then should be given a leaf of dandelion daily and a liberal supply of egg-food till ready to nest.

Do it Yourself.

Try and look after your birds' welfare yourself; don't trust to anyone else if you can help it.

I advise a beginner not to take the eggs away as laid; let the hen alone for at least the first round, and see how she goes on.

When she has laid her clutch of eggs remove the cock bird altogether, as he may do more harm than good.

When the young are 16 to 20 days' old then run him with hen and young, and watch how he treats them. If inclined to be nasty and pull feathers from the young put the wire slide between, so that he can feed young through this. Run the hen with him, of course, now and again, say for 15 to 30 minutes in the morning and evening. If he proves a good feeder let him stop with the young, who will get on all the better for his help.

When the young are taken from their parents (can feed themselves) I always give a liberal supply of soaked seed, also some crushed dry seed and rolled oats.

SOME FEATHERED EXQUISITES AT THE HORTICULTURAL HALL SHOW.—Concluded.

Guiana. It requires a roomy cage, as it is a restless, active, vivacious, and I must also add a truculent species. It thrives well on a good insectile mixture, ripe fruit *ad lib.*, and a few live insects.

The specimen staged by Lady Kathleen Pilkington was in tip-top form—the purity and richness of the hues of its tight and silky garment could not be surpassed, not even by the bird in its native haunts. The excellence of Lady Pilkington's bird was, with that of other exhibits staged in its near vicinity, an ample demonstration that a bird can enjoy a long, happy, and contented life though caged, and its general condition and fitness not be one whit below that of wild nature itself.

The species above noted are merely a tithe of the "Feathered Exquisites" staged, but are representative of the many Orders of birds on view.

Correspondence.

Special Prizes from Australia.

SIR,—I have received from the L. and P.O.S. £3 3s., from the Victorian Canary Society and Mr. Frank White, to be used as special prize money at L. and P.O.S. shows. I am asked to acknowledge receipt of same in your columns, which I now do, with many thanks.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

Hamilton (War Fund) Show.

SIR,—Are the fanciers doing their duty here? Entries are disappointing in the extreme, and I am compelled to extend entries up to morning of show, Dec. 12, to exhibitors outside the borough. Lanarkshire is full of fanciers, and Hamilton is in its centre, and there is no reason why a large entry should not come. There is no "prize-money," no doubt, but we have the Border Fancy three medals—one for best clear or ticked, even or uneven marked; one for best green or cinnamon, and one for the novice—also a whole lot of valuable specials. I again appeal to fanciers to help.

WALTER S. WILSON, Hon. Sec.

The Rambling Brambling.

SIR,—Allow me to put right one item in your very excellent report of the show held at the Horticultural Hall. In it you "express surprise that an experienced British bird exhibitor should use a show cage with a water-hole capacious enough to permit a hen Brambling to walk through it." I wrote to Mr. Tyson asking for an explanation, and he writes me as follows:—"I was standing by the cage at the time and directly the cage was lifted out the door sprung open, and the bird was gone. Whether the fastening had become unloosed through taking the cage out or whether it had not been securely fixed, I cannot say." In conclusion I must heartily thank Mr. Pretty for all his trouble, and for being the means of restoring her back to me.

W. F. LLOYD-JAMES.

Leicester Sets a Splendid Example.

£20 Given to Charities.

SIR,—I have the pleasure to inform you that on behalf of the Leicester Hand-in-Hand C.B.S. I have handed to the National Relief Fund £4 2s. 6d. and to the Belgian Relief Fund 30s., being the proceeds of our late open show. Through the columns of CAGE BIRDS I beg to thank all those who supported us in this good work. With the aid of our sister society, the Leicester C.B.S., we have during the past twenty months given £20 to various charities. We consider this good business, and hope that societies in other towns will follow our example.

A. FREESTONE, Sec.

Is Face Value Better Than Pedigree?

"How Pedigree May Tell!"

SIR,—Under the above quoted heading you printed last week a paragraph relating to five Yorkshires, every one a winner, bred from one pair of birds, presented by Mr. Crisp to the daughter of a friend, and you ask the question: "Who said face value was better than pedigree?" The paragraph recalls the interesting controversy of a few years back between two writers over the noms-de-plume "Sunny Jim" and "Little Jim." I remember at the time we fanciers were left in doubt as to the ultimate result of the conflict, and I believe the contestants decided to call it a draw; but we were so eaten to the bone with curiosity as to the identity of the warriors that they were persuaded to reveal themselves, and—if my memory isn't playing me a scurvy trick—they turned out to be Mr. Crisp (the donor of the pair of birds) and Mr. Frank Cole. When I read your par., I thought what a wonderful coincidence, albeit a disastrous coincidence to Mr. Crisp's line of argument; for it bears out Mr. Cole's arguments and contentions far more than a sheaf of letters could ever do. Trusting again to memory, I think Mr. Crisp's arguments in the controversy were in favour of the face value theory, and anyone who recalls those arguments and has read of his success on the show bench must have thought him right—which he was, for no Yorkshire breeder's career has been so surprisingly successful—yet he himself supplies an unanswerable argument in support of Mr. Cole's theory of pedigree. One can't help but think that when Mr. Cole read the par it would be soothing to his pride; for weren't the birds which bred the five winners of little—comparatively speaking—value facially? But what a pedigree they had! Is it possible that both Mr. Crisp and Mr. Cole were right, and that the contest really and actually ended in a draw?

SUB ROSA.

When Is a Novice Not a Novice?

SIR,—Would you explain to me, through your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, what "a novice" means? If a novice has won a 1st prize in open competition in the Norwich section, would that bar him showing as a novice in any of the other Canary sections, or only in that particular section? Also if a novice has won one 1st in Mules, open competition, would that make him a champion in all sections and bar him showing as a novice in any Canary section?

A NOVICE.

[We believe the generally accepted rule adopted by societies is (1) if a novice wins a 1st prize in open competition with any variety of Canary, he becomes a champion, and must thenceforward show as such in all Canary classes; (2) a win with Mules or Hybrids does not make a novice a champion in the Canary section, but only in the section in which his win was scored; this applies similarly to the other sections (British and Foreign birds). We should be glad to hear from societies whose ruling differs from the above.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

Robin Sings to Soldiers at the Front

and Perches on Gun for Tit-bits.

SIR,—Being a reader of your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, and also a lover and keeper of birds, I am sending you this, hoping it will be of interest. About ten yards from the muzzle of my gun there is a small tree in which a Robin has made his home. Although the gun has been fired daily for weeks, and gives a very loud report, our Robin takes not the least bit of notice, but still gives us his little song. He has now got so tame that he takes up a position on the "traversing lever" (when we are not firing, of course) and waits for the usual crumbs and tit-bits. This has been going on for weeks, but the noise has no effect on our little friend. My gunners take a lot of interest in him, and you may be sure that he doesn't go short of anything. We have given him the name of "Robbo." I am afraid that I cannot conform to your rules about writing on one side of paper only, as writing paper is rather scarce, so please excuse me this time. I must not send you my address either, but would you please acknowledge this letter to my wife, who will let me know.

C. H. TROMLOW.

Sergeant, Royal Field Artillery,

British Expeditionary Force.

Sad Ending to Career of Noted Redpoll-Bullfinch Hybrid.

SIR,—I am sorry to report the sad loss of my well-known winning Redpoll-Bullfinch Hybrid, through being delayed during transit to Sale show, held Nov. 27 and 28. I entered a team and dispatched them from here (Accrington) on 7.15 p.m. train for Sale, via Manchester, and they did not arrive till the day following at 6 p.m. Needless to say they were too late for judging, it having taken the railway people 23 hours to deliver birds which had only about 25 miles of a journey. On the return journey they left Sale Station on Saturday 8.19 train, and I did not receive them until Sunday evening at 6.30, they having been travelling again about 22 hours to reach their destination. The Hybrid did not look so grand after doing this double journey of mishap. However, I left nothing to chance as regards giving him special care, and he seemed to improve wonderfully till about Friday, and then a change for the worse came, and he died on Sunday last, just a week after getting back. He was only quite a young bird, having had two full moults, and he had again come out a grand colour and was in splendid show form. He has been out only twice this season (with exception of Sale) and he stood 1st at Liverpool and 2nd at Manchester. Last show season he had a grand record, winning eight 1st prizes and specials and a 2nd, 3rd and 4th prize at the leading shows, also CAGE BIRDS Diploma and special at Liverpool show and a championship diploma at the Bradford National, truly a good beginning on the show bench, a career which by misfortune is now cut short. I must live in hopes of getting another as good.

I have noticed from time to time the railway transit of birds has been brought before the Fancy through CAGE BIRDS and I have not the least doubt it will have to be dealt with by a strong body of fanciers who can wrench better conditions of travelling from the railway companies. I will just quote an instance of a railway servant's statement concerning birds. A short time ago I was waiting with a friend for some birds coming on rail, and a railway servant remarked: "You want to start keeping Newfoundland dogs, and then when you send them to shows they can see them, and they will not get lost."

H. WALSH.

WHO FIRST BRED AND EXHIBITED THE YORKSHIRE CANARY?

SIR,—Who bred the first Yorkshire Canary? I see my name was suggested as being that most fortunate individual. This is the first intimation that has reached me, either publicly or privately, of my name being associated with either the breeding of or the naming of the first Yorkshire Canary. Who bred the first Yorkshire Canary, or even when, are questions that are shrouded in obscurity, and will probably remain so in the days that are to come. Were it at all necessary, abundant proof could be adduced in confirmation of this view by myself, and very probably others of a like age or experience.

Mr. J. Holroyd evidently takes the same view as myself as to the obscurity attending who bred the first Yorkshire Canary. He gives his version of the less obscure question—who exhibited the first Canary, accompanied with the prefix Yorkshire as a distinguishing marking, or making, of a new variety. Here again I am led to the conclusion that, though sincere in his belief that what he has written is in conformity with actual facts, Mr. Holroyd is somewhat lacking in those essential facts which, when minutely examined, will, or can prove that his version is the correct one. Let me give an instance. Mr. Holroyd infers that the late Mr. William Heap was the first exhibitor at a Crystal Palace show who exhibited a Canary bearing the name "Yorkshire Canary," and further says that it would be about the year 1870. Now had Mr. H.

consulted a Palace catalogue he would have found that a number of Canaries were exhibited in the any other variety class in 1863 that were catalogued as "Yorkshire Canaries"; and for ten successive years Yorkshire Canaries continued to be exhibited as such in the any other variety class. During this period Mr. Heap's name appeared as an exhibitor in 1865, 1867 and 1868. It will thus be seen that Yorkshire Canaries were exhibited in two successive years prior to the advent of Mr. Heap's Yorkshires at the Palace. It was in 1875 when a separate class was given for Yorkshire Variety Canaries, since which time they have not ceased to be represented there in varied quantities.

Knowing Mr. Holroyd as I have known him for a great number of years, I feel sure that he is innocent of giving anything but what in his belief is true and accurate. I feel that he will be ready to forgive me for the correction of his statement, as I know well enough that the opinion and belief is generally held, at least in Bradford and the surrounding districts, that Mr. Heap exhibited the first Canary at the Palace show as a Yorkshire variety bird. I will go further and say that Mr. Heap himself honestly believed that such was the case; and in all probability I myself would have been one who would have shared in that belief had not extracts from the early Palace catalogues convinced me differently. JONAS KNIGHT.

Abandonment of the Crystal Palace 1915 Show.

SIR,—I regret to have to announce that owing to the war difficulties have arisen which make it practically impossible to complete the necessary arrangements for this, the 56th National Cage Bird Show. The committee of the L. and P.O.S. have decided that under these circumstances they have no alternative but to cancel the show. There is every reason to believe that the show will be held in February 1916 at the Crystal Palace as usual.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

Novices and the Recent Sheffield District Show.

SIR,—I desire to ask the officials of the Sheffield O.S., through the columns of CAGE BIRDS, whether it was their intention, at their late District Show, for the novice first prize wins to be counted as though the wins had been taken in their respective society's club shows? Take, for instance, a novice who shows and wins two firsts at the S.O.S. District Show, and then wins one or two firsts in his own members' show; would that member be considered as out of the novice section next year? I am speaking of members' shows only. I have been told such wins are not counted.

EXHIBITOR.

Lizards Abroad and at Home.

SIR,—I am pleased to say I have received a letter from Mr. Dowler, of Johannesburg, South Africa, saying that the trio of Lizards I sent him arrived in good condition, and that he is highly delighted with same. This is the second consignment to this gentleman. I sent them away in early October, and they arrived at their destination Oct. 24. I have also sold my 3rd prize Liverpool broken cap Gold to Miss Alice V. Hatch, Redhill, but in a letter from her she tells me he arrived two tail feathers short, and a Yorkshire cock I sent her at the same time arrived in a very poor condition; and this in spite of being in show cages and case, as when sending to shows. I shall have something to say to the railway officials here, as on Wednesday night last I kept on the station to see these birds put into the van. The porter had some distance to travel, and I only managed to spot him just as he was putting the case in the luggage van; he had the case upside down! You may imagine I

let myself go, and in the face of events I am only sorry I did not report the matter to the station-master. I expect this was the reason they arrived in such a condition. Then I am told that the railway company, acting under Government orders, does not accept any risk—yet they still charge the 50 per cent. extra for small birds!

JOHN RUKIN.

The A.O.V. Bunting Class at the Scottish National Show.

SIR,—As a regular visitor to Scotland's great annual event in the cage-bird world, it has always struck me as being very unfair that birds of the Bunting species, not included in the National B.B. and M.C. list, should be allowed to compete in this class. The birds I refer to are the Meadow, Black-headed and Oortolan Buntings. At such shows as the L.C.B.A. and the Crystal Palace only the Corn, Cirl, Snow, Reed and Lapland Buntings are eligible, and rightly so, in view of the fact that the others are not recognised as British birds by the national specialist club. I hope to see the Scottish National fall into line with the two other great shows above-mentioned, as by so doing they will encourage the exhibiting of the recognised British species in greater numbers. I do not know who is to judge this class at the coming show, but I hope on New Year's Day to see only the N.B.B. and M.C. named species in the cards.

B. B.

[Possibly our correspondent has overlooked the fact that the official list of the Scottish British Bird and Mule Club (under whose patronage the show in question is held) includes the names of the Meadow and Black-headed Buntings as being eligible to compete as British—maybe, though we cannot say for certain (we are writing from memory), that of the Oortolan as well.—EDITOR.]

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Meeting Dec. 5, Mr. Farrer presided over a good attendance. Decided to add another hen class to the Lizard section, three classes of which are being guaranteed by five fanciers. The secretary of the N. L. Club informed the meeting that he had five cash specials to give to Lizard classes for open competition. We have also been granted the patronage of the L. and L.F.A. The meeting finished up with several small matters relating to open show. Admission tickets were distributed to members for sale, any member not present can have same on application.—John Peacock, Hon. Sec.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE C.B.S.

General meeting, Dec. 3, Mr. A. Holden chair. Letter read from Mr. J. Craig (ass. sec.), 1st Cameron Highlanders, from 1st General Hospital, Aberdeen. He was rendered hors de combat on Nov. 11 at Ypres, whilst knocking the Prussian Guards out. He hopes to see some of his Newcastle chums shortly. Will members and other fanciers please note I have still some of Mr. Craig's birds for disposal at my address at 218, Ladykirk Road. See advert. this week's CAGE BIRDS. Nomination for officials for 1915 must be sent in by next meeting in January.—J. W. Reed, Sec.

EDINBURGH WESTERN O.S.

Meeting, Riego Street Hall, Dec. 3. Mr. Ballantyne chair, in place of Mr. Andrews. The auditor, Mr. Bowman, reported the books in good order. Balance-sheet was read, and showed a good record of the year's working with a substantial balance. It was proposed to break up the Cinnamon and Green class for Borders, and to open up a class for Greens in the Norwich section; this will be brought up again at next meeting. Agreed to try and run a table show on one of the club nights on the same lines as the annual show. Sec. was instructed to write the B.F.C.C. patronage for next year's show. Mr. Hogg, Broughton Road, was admitted a member. C. Graub, Sec.

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BIRMINGHAM'S BEST ENTRY

Annual Open Show of the City of Birmingham (C.B.S., Dec. 2 and 3, at the Crown Hotel, in a splendid room, well lighted and free from draughts. The entry was a fine one, the best the society has had, and totalled £10, quality throughout was of the very highest standard, many crack exhibitors sending in grand teams, and each section contained birds of the very highest merit. The men in charge are all old fanciers, and the society is very smartly officered, the president, Mr. J. A. Eckersley, being one of the right sort, an enthusiastic fancier and good supporter. The genial chairman, Mr. A. Broadhurst, works very hard, being ever ready to give any information possible, while the vice-president, Mr. J. H. de Mallet, deserves special praise and thanks for the way he worked at the show, and all night previous, these gentlemen were backed up by a grand committee in Messrs. W. C. Wells, H. T. Collier, J. H. Allen, J. Clay, T. Jones, Burke, Childs, Jerry, Dipple, Fessy, Jeffreys, Crowther. The secretarial reins are still in the hands of that good old fancier, Mr. J. H. Jones, who thoroughly understands the weight of his post, and carries out his duties in a businesslike manner, while his kindly and courteous manner makes him very popular.

Norwich were a great show on their own, and were well above the average, which speaks well for having the patronage of O.N.P.C. The old yellows, 21, were not only the biggest lot ever seen together, but the finest; in fact, the cream of the fancy was here, and many noted winners were cardless. Novices, as usual, came up in great force and staged some real beauties, and in some instances would have held their own in the champion section; many exhibitors claimed it the best lot of Norwich ever seen together. Yorkshires, too, were a great attraction and many admirers of the gentleman Canary were in attendance. The merit throughout was fine. In the novices some very nice ones were staged. In Crests, the £5 limit kept away the tip-toppers. Cinnamonons were not much, and Borders were down in numbers, but in hybrids and British there were again all the noted cracks, Messrs. Martin and Archer's Linnet-Mule, "Perfection," and Greenfinch-Chaffinch Hybrid, both being staged in lovely order, as also were Mr. Parlett's noted light Can-Bullie and Greenf-Mule, the latter we heard has won 81 first prizes, a wonderful performance. Goldfinches were a fine lot of 21, and Foreigners were a nice collection. The show was well patronised. Mr. J. Robson judged Norwich, Hyb., Brit., and For., and Mr. J. H. Roe the remainder.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (21), wonderful class, 3 sets of winners easily: 1, 2, Williams, beauties, grand size, lovely shape, short and thick-set, good broad heads and full necks, splendid col. and qual., well cut away, leader looks like last year's unflig. winner; 3, hc, Vardy, grand shape, nice subs., good chest and back, neat wings and tail, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Laidlow, nice size, good col. and qual., neat head and back; vhc, Stubbs Bros.; c, Hathaway. BUFF (13): 1, Hathaway, tremendous size, rare head, neck, and chest, good col., beautifully moulded, splendid cond.; 2, Hirst, fine head, col., and cond., grand feather, nicely carried, but ever reaching his cage top; 3, Keech and Son, beauty for shape, short and cobby, rare size, nice head and neck, full chest; 4, hc, Dipple, grand size and shape, rare head and chest; vhc, Thomas; c, Garfield. MKD. OR VAR. (19), grand class, many well-known winners cardless: 1, Keech and Son, nice size, very fine shape, good col. and cond., tight as wax; 2, Elliott, yell., grand size, lovely head and neck, full chest, lovely col. and cond.; 3, Stubbs Bros., saddle mkd. yell., fine size, lovely head and neck, beautifully rounded; 4, Vardy, head and wing marked, fine size, grand head and back, good col. and cond.; vhc, Willoughby; hc, Baker; c, Laidlow. YELL. HEN (14): 1, 4, Vardy, leader, neck mkd., grand size and shape, sweet head, nice back and chest, lovely cond. and col., feather like wax, neat wings and tail; 4, nice size and shape, neat head, lovely feather; 2, Philpot, grand size, nice shape, compact, good col. and qual.; 3, Gough and Loach, lovely size, col., and qual., good head and back; vhc, hc, Crawshaw; c, Elliott. BUFF (10): 1, Dipple, splendid size, col. and cond., fine head and neck and back, well carried wings and tail; 2, Eckersley, good size and shape, neat head and chest, clean cut, loses only in col. to leader; 3, c, Vardy, bold front, line head and back, well across perch, very smart; 4, Thomas, nice size, col., and cond.; vhc, Gough and Loach; hc, Collier. UNFLIG. YELL. (19), very fine class: 1, Laidlow, head and wing mkd., nice size and shape, neat round head and chest, good col. and cond.; 2, hc, Crawshaw, fine size, rare subs., good shape, nice head and neck, short, well carried wings and tail, good col. and qual., our choice; 3, Eckersley, nice size, col., and cond., lovely qual., short wings and tail; 4, Stubbs Bros., still another beauty, down to the minute; vhc, Fielding; c, Dipple. BUFF (25): 1, Hulse, grand size, col., and cond., lovely head and neck, beautiful feather, could do with a little more chest; 2, Stubbs Bros., fine size, grand head and neck, lovely col. and cond., short cobby body, neat compact feather, must have pressed hard; 3, Snead, shade bigger in build, well across perch, nice head col. and cond.; 4, Hathaway, good head, neck, and chest, nice feather; vhc, Judd; hc, Bastock; c, Crawshaw. UNFLIG. HEN (20): 1, Foxen, eye and wing tkd., grand head and neck, full chest, good col. and cond.; 2, 3, Stubbs Bros., wing mkd., shade larger than 1st, fine head and neck, lovely cond.; 3, wing tkd., nice size and shape; 4, Twine, hardly size of leaders, yet a sweet one; vhc, Evans and Ball; hc, Eckersley; c, Crawshaw. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Bradley, fine size, col., and cond., good head and neck; 2, Dr. Askey Wood, eye and wing mkd., grand size, col., and cond., shade longer; 3, Shirley, good head and neck, fine shape, neatly carried wings; 4, Evans and Ball, mkd., nice size, col., and cond.; vhc, hc, Bell; c, Westwood. BUFF (17): 1, Smith, good size, col., and cond., lovely shape, fine head and back; 2, Evans and Ball, lovely shape, fine size, neat head and back, lovely feather; 3, Shirley, great head and neck, full chest, bit loose at sides; 4, Dudley, eye mkd., smaller than leaders, lovely feather; vhc, Dr. Askey Wood; hc, Dunn; c, Lewis. HEN (21): 1, Lewis and Coulson, mkd. yell., fine size and shape, full head and neck, grand feather; 2, Hampton, mkd. yell., smasher for size, full front, good head and back, nice col. and cond.; 3, Bert Lewis, cl. buff, nice size, col., and feather, neatly moulded; 4, Mrs. Bridgewater, shade smaller, very neat, fine col.; vhc, Smith; hc, Dr. Askey Wood; c, Shirley. UNFLIG. (26): 1, Gossey, cl. buff, fine size, col., and cond., splendid head and neck, fine shape and cond.; 2, Shirley, wing mkd., yell., grand, hot col., splendid carr., good head and sub.; 3, Bradley, cl. buff, nice size and shape, good head and back; 4, Hampton,

cl. yell., very neat, lovely feather and shape; vhc, Derry; hc, Evans and Ball; c, Shirley. YORKS. YELL. CK. (16): 1, Dyson, grand one all over, nice length, well up on leg, neat head, good col., well braced wings and tail; 2, Dr. Craig, grand length, lovely pos., sweet head, nicely rounded, good col. and qual.; 3, Ogden Bros., another big one, all there for style and pos., well braced wings and tail; 4, Dykes, rare length, lovely shape and qual., grand col. and cond.; vhc, Lane; hc, Gibbons and Weekes; c, Snead. BUFF (13): 1, Dyson, long raking bird, grand head, back, and shoulders, nicely drawn, good sound col. and qual.; 2, Clay, head tkd., hardly the length of leader, beautifully moulded, good head and back; 3, Dykes, nice length, good pos., close in feather, rare legs, lovely length of flights; 4, Hurst, smart, stylish, and shapely, shade stouter in build; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, North; c, Snead. MKD. ETC. (11): 1, Dykes, "Dreadnought," real gem, well-known, in tip-top cond., needs no comment; 2, c, Wells and Clempson, well known green back, grand length and pos., nice style, looking a bit out of sorts to-day; 3, Darlington Bros., head and wing mkd. buff, neat head, good neck and shoulders, nice feather; 4, North, cinn., head and wing mkd. yell., grand length, feathered like glass, sound col., full of nerve, might have gone up one; vhc, Bayliss; hc, Lane. YELL. HEN (8): 1, Dr. Craig, grand length, nice round head, full neck, good back, wings, and tail, well carried, level col., stands correct on a good pair of legs; 2, Burke, shade stouter in build, nice length, excels in col., good head and neck; 3, Clay, long and stylish, beautiful feather, nice style and cond.; 4, Dykes, rare length and style, nice qual. and cond.; vhc, Harding; hc, Ogden Bros.; c, Wells and Clempson. BUFF (11): 1, Dykes, cl. grand pos., fine style, well up on a fine pair of legs, perfect wing carr., lovely feather and cond., wins well; 2, Dr. Craig, long, raking hen, grand feather, rare style, lovely in yings and tail; 3, Darlington Bros., eye and wing mkd., hardly the length of leaders, neat head, well filled neck, nice feather; 4, Ogden Bros., good length and pos., shade stouter in build; vhc, Cowley; hc, Dyson; c, Clay. YELL. UNFLIG. (13): 1, Dykes, cl. wonderful length, rich level col., grand head, neck, and shoulders, nicely drawn, rare qual.; 2, Cowley, good length, lovely qual., grand head and neck, very slim and stylish, neat wing carr., pressed hard; 3, Ogden Bros., fine length, beautifully drawn, nice pos., lovely feather, as tight as a bottle; 4, Gibbons and Weekes, wing tkd., fine length, col., and cond., a wee bit open on breast; vhc, Hirst; hc, Burke; c, Clay. BUFF (15): 1, Wells and Clempson, cl. nice, shapely head, good length, nicely carried wings and tail, rather pale in col.; 2, Williams, grand length and style, nice tapered body, fine head, wings, and tail; 3, Dykes, wealth of col., well tapered body, slim, plenty of length, good on leg, grand carr.; 4, Parker, smart, shapely, capital legs, neat wings and tail; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Clay; c, Cowley. HEN (18): 1, Dykes, splendid length, feather smooth as a hottle, correct pos., neat head, wings and tail, fine col. and cond., an easy win; 2, Wells and Clempson, back tkd. buff, rather on the small side, neat head and feather, good on leg; 3, Cowley, lovely qual., grand head and neck, neat wings and tail, A1 pos., very stylish; 4, Gibbons and Weekes, cl. yell., splendid length, nice pos., neat head, wings, and tail, dirty or might have gone higher; vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Dyson; c, Lane. NOV. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Taylor, cl. fine length and style, lovely pos., good on leg, lovely col. and cond., boxy feather; 2, Austin, eye and wing mkd., nice level col. throughout, good length, long flights and piped tail, good head, full of qual., very typical; 3, Allen, nice type, full of qual., grand wings and tail, fails in head only to leaders; 4, Hinton, fine length, col., and cond., fine length of flights; vhc, Bayliss; hc, Chattaway; c, Kew. BUFF (11): 1, Sayles, cl. buff, grand length, good head, wings, and tail, lovely boxy feather, as tight as wax; 2, Parker Bros., head and wing mkd., good col., very stylish, good head and length, lovely back, nicely benched; 3, Chalker, eye tkd., nice length, fine col. and cond., neat head, neck, and wings; 4, Allen, shade on the stout side, neat head and neck; vhc, Sayles; hc, Hinton; c, Wright. HEN (19): 1, Austin, cinn. ukd. buff, fine length and style, teeming with qual., grand wing carr., beautif. fully cut away; 2, Chalker, cl. yell., fine col. and feather, grand length, neat head and back; 3, hc, Brown, head tkd. buff, lovely pos., and length, nice round head and well filled neck; 4, Mrs. Bridgewater, cl. yell., good length, col., and cond.; vhc, Taylor; c, Clarke. UNFLIG. (19): 1, Brown, varieg. yell., fine big bouncing bird, grand head and back, up on a good pair of legs, nice pos.; 2, Sayles, cl. buff, grand length, nice boxy feather, lovely col. and cond.; 3, C. Brown, cl. yell., fine length, nice hot col., good head and extra length of flights; 4, Mrs. Bridgewater, cl. buff, nice head and neck, lovely back; vhc, hc, Chalker; c, J. T. Brown. CRESTS, £5 LIMIT (7): 1, 2, Smith, leader head and wing mkd., lovely feather, nicely radiated crest of good size and droop, 2 nice vein and centre, cheap; 3, Marshall, nice head and good length of crest feather; 4, Holmes, good body, nice feather and crest; vhc, Edwards; hc, Peters; c, Jeffreys. C.B., £5 LIMIT (7): 1, Peters, varieg. good body, noble head, wide entrance and well lashed; 2, c, Smith, stout body, good head and entrance, fine lashing; 3, Edwards, varieg., big body, plenty of feather, fails a little at entrance; 4, Holmes, good body, trifle thin in head feather; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Hesketh. CINN. YELL. (5): 1, 3, Baker, winner rare hot col., nice head and burnishing, nice feather; 3, nice size, col., and cond.; 2, vhc, Riding, grand body, nice head, good front, pale in col.; 4, Southon. BUFF (2): 1, Raycroft, fine size and shape, good head and neck; 2, Baker, shade longer, lovely col. and cond. BORD. YELL. (6): 1, Madagan, nice size, good head and neck, sweet shape, well braced wings, good carr. and style; 2, Elston, cl., nicely modelled, good size, neat head, well packed flights, clean cut, fine cond.; 3, Beard, eye and wing mkd., beauty for type, well balanced on good legs, A1 wing carr.; 4, hc, Philpot, cl., excellent type, and style, good head, neat wings; vhc, Parlett. BUFF (5): 1, Garbutt, eye and wing mkd., nice col., well moulded, splendid wings, capitally braced; 2, Madagan, cl., sweet shape, nice style, neat head, lovely feather and cond., must have pressed; 3, Elston, cinn. wing mkd., fine type, good head, back, and well carried wings; 4, Philpot, cl., nice shape, well balanced, A1 cond.; hc, Beard. A.O.V. (3): 1, March, Scotch Fancy, nice bit of circle, very nervy, neat feather; 2, Hathaway, nice size and shape, neat head and chest, well across perch; No. 2, Gilbert, wr. cl., Cinn. Crest. NOV. A.O.V. (3): 1, Grlc, lovely shaped Nor., grand size, nice feather and cond.; 2, Southon, cinn., good size and shape, fine col. and cond.; No. 2, Garbutt, wr. cl., gr. Nor. SELL., 25s. (25): 1, Bell; 2, Ford;

3, Marshall; 4, Taylor; vhc, hc, Dr. Askey Wood; c, Gough and Loach. 12s. 6d. (24): 1, Collier; 2, Holmes; 3, Ford; 4, Lee; vhc, Hathaway; hc, Parlett; c, Dunn. LIGHT CAN. HYB. (9): 1, 2, vhc, Martin and Archer, well known Linnet Mule "Perfection" and Greenf-Mule "Nonpareil," in lovely order, need no further comment; 3, Gilbert, wing mkd. Goldie, lovely col. and cond., hard lines to meet leaders; 4, hc, Lawrence, lovely shaped mule, but not looking very grand; c, Bowler. BK. (13): 1, 2, Parlett, leading, well-known Greenf-Mule; 2, grand Goldf., wonderful size and extra large face, both down in lovely order; 3, Martin and Archer, large Linnet, grand col. and marking, tip top form; 4, Gough, Goldf., nice exhibit, but not the col. or so large a face as 2nd; vhc, Lawrence; hc, Oldham; c, Tonks. A.O. HYB. (9): 1, Parlett, White Rose, well-known Can. Bullf., in splendid trim, still teases his critics; 2, Martin and Archer, lovely Greenf-Chaffinch, nice size, shape, col., and cond., shows its parentage well; 3, 4, Gilbert, 3 lovely Greenf Bullie, exceptionally fine size, col., and markings; vhc, Brado; hc, Mullins; c, Haytor. GOLDI' (21), probably the finest class ever seen in the Midlands: 1, Haytor, blaze of pure rich col., fine tanned breast and solid chestnut back, splendid buttons and leather; 2, Almond, good size, very large, clear blaze, extending well back past the eye, neatly tanned and buttoned, just fails in polish to leader; 3, Fairhurst, another good one, large and expansive rich blaze, finely buttoned and barred, in fine order, must have pressed; 4, Potter and Bembow, good face, nice silky feather, good buttons; vhc, Bowler; hc, Tonks; c, Davies. BULLF. (7): 1, Osborne, F.M., marvellous size, nice breast col., grand back and feather; 2, Potter and Bembow, good cap and breast col., fine qual. and cond., hardly the size of leader; 3, Tonks, lovely carr., nice cond., good cap and back, fine breast; 4, Amos, nice size, neat cap and back; vhc, Burrows; hc, Haigh; c, Collier. LINNET (7): 1, 3, Oldham, leader, fine size, rich sound col., nicely pencilled; 3, bold, neat head, fine col., nicely mkd.; 2, 4, Brade, leader good size, sound col., in lovely

order; vhc, Parlett; hc, Tonks; c, Haigh. BED-POLI, ETC. (15): 1, Fairhurst, bonny Siskin, topper for col. and markings, richly pencilled, fine cap and wings, little beauty, steady, perfect feather; 2, Oldham, Twite, fine size, rich ground col., fine pencilling, nice shape, steady; 3, Martin and Archer, Siskin, well up in size, very steady, profuse in pencilling, nice col.; 4, Bond and Son, Twite, well up on leader for col. and pencilling, perfect feather; vhc, Fallding; hc, Haytor; c, Raby. A.O. BRIT. (12): 1, Camm, Hawlnch, we heard the L.C.B.A. winner, smasher for size, grand col. and blb, faultless cond., easy win; 2, Caunt, Yellow Bunting, excellent size, col. and cond., lovely V and markings, one of the best; 3, Parlett, Bramble, one of the finest in the country, lovely col. and size, grand thigh marks; 4, Haytor, grand Corn Bunting, in lovely trim, hard lines to meet above; vhc, Fallding; hc, c, Lawrence. NOV. BRIT. (16): 1, Hepwood, splendid Hawlnch, fine size, grand col. and cond., very steady; 2, Austin, Bullf., nice one all over, grand size and col., jet black cap and nice bars; 3, Robinson, Greenf., good jonque, not a monster, capital cond., nice col.; 4, Robinson, Yellow-hammer, nice one, fine size, distinct head lines; vhc, c, Evans and Ball; hc, Longdon. SOFTBILL, SMALL (10): 1, Saywell, Waxwing, grand size, lovely col. throughout, lovely wing markings, good win; 2, Hingley, Whinchat, gem of the first water, excellent breast col. and markings; 3, Burrows, Redstart, in superb cond., like paint, a perfect beauty; 4, Robinson, Wryneck, grand size, col., and cond.; vhc, Williams; hc, c, Harrison. LARGE (1): 1, Williams, the famous Chough, in superb cond., grand bill and legs. FOR., SMALL (11): 1, vhc, Fordred, Virginian Nightingale, lovely trim; 2, hc, Saywell, Necklace Tanager, well-known winner, lovely col. and cond., must have pressed hard; 3, c, Almond, Rainbow Bunting, in fine trim, grand col. and size; 4, Fordred, Whydah, very nice exhibit, but could have been better in a larger cage for its tail. LARGE (1): 1, Smith, Ceram Lorics, fine pair, in lovely order, fine scarlet col., splendid cond.

NORTHERN YORKS. C.C.

The value of enthusiasm and efficient organisation was amply demonstrated at Newcastle on Dec. 5, when the Northern Yorkshire C.C. held its first annual show. Not so many years ago fanciers from the county of many acres could come North and practically carry everything before them, but now they would do very well to hold their own. This is entirely due to the N.Y.C.C., which organisation, since its inception some years ago, has done everything in its power to further the interests of the Yorkshire Canary, guided by such sterling fanciers as the President, Mr. T. C. Crawhall, and Mr. R. Tindale, together with other keen enthusiasts. The show was such a success that it is likely to become an annual affair. The large room above the King Edward Hotel was just the right place for the purpose—nice size, good light, and entirely free from draughts, and the thanks of the club are due to the genial landlord, Mr. J. Bell, who generously placed the room at the disposal of the members entirely free of cost, and also did everything in his power for the comfort of visitors. The courteous and obliging secretary, Mr. R. Tindale, had everything well in hand, and also undertook the duties of show manager; the whole of his arrangements went off without the slightest hitch. Good work was also done by the chairman, Mr. C. Cattell, and the vice-chairman, Mr. L. Dix; while Mr. J. Stewart, from Whitehaven, Mr. L. Laidlaw, of Norwich fame, and Mr. Natrass, from Bishop Auckland, got through their work as stewards in fine style. Entries came up well, totalling about 180, and quality throughout was superb, the majority of the birds being true to type and teeming with quality. Challenge cup for best unflighted was won by Mr. Crawhall with a magnificent yellow cock, its first time out, it doubtless has a great future before it. Ramsden's cup for 2nd best unflighted went to Mr. J. Stewart's buff cock, another gem of the first water, which should also do well. The novice classes contained some grand birds, but were rather disappointing in numbers. The show was well patronised, and we understand will undoubtedly be a financial success. Mr. F. Armstrong (Halifax) judged.

YORKS. CL. ETC. YELL. (6): 1, 3, sp, Pyman, leader grand length, lovely pos., neat shoulders and waist, lovely qual., neat wing carr.; 3rd slender, grand length, straight as a rush, red hot col., scarcely so well rounded on back, yet one we liked; 2, 4, Crawhall, grand length, well up on fine legs, neat head and shoulders, nice col. and qual.; vhc, hc, Cattell. BUFF (12): 1, Deighton, fine length, grandly rounded, straight up, neat narrow shoulders, finely drawn, good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, 3, sp, Pyman, gems, leader extra length, very slim and finely tapered, neat head, good col. and qual., just a wee bit off in wing carr.; 3rd nice one for length and pos., straight up on fine legs, neat head, not quite the col. of leader; 4, c, Crawhall; vhc, Coulson; hc, Tindale. TKD. OR MKD. YELL. (5): 1, Pyman, head tkd., red hot col., long, slim, finely drawn, grand shoulders and waist, lovely pos., well braced wings and tail; 2, sp, 3, 4, vhc, Crawhall, wing tkd., leading, not quite the col. of winner, fine length and pos., neat head and shoulders, well drawn, nice qual.; 3, var., bit shorter in body, yet a good one, grandly rounded, nice pos., good qual. BUFF (7): 1, sp, 2, hc, Crawhall, fine team, cap mkd. leading, nice length, well up on good legs, neat shoulders and waist, lovely col. and qual., tightly braced wings and tail; 2nd var., fine length, straight as a rush, well rounded shoulders, neat wing carr.; 3, Tindale, grand length, hardly so erect, grand shoulders and waist, neat head, well braced wings, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Pyman; c, Coulson. HEN YELL. (8): 1, sp, vhc, Stewart, leader gem all over, grand length, straight as a rush, very slim, finely drawn, grand col. and qual., neat narrow shoulders, grandly braced wings and tail; 2, Tindale, fine length, well up on grand legs, neat head and shoulders, nice col., but not the hot tone of winner, neat wing carr.; 3, Coulson, bit shorter, red hot col., nice pos., well rounded, good wings and tail; 4, c, Crawhall; hc, Pyman. BUFF (8): 1, 4, sp, Crawhall, leader a topper, nice length, straight as a gun barrel, beautifully rounded, neat narrow shoulders, finely tapered, tightly braced wings and tail; 2, Stewart, good length and pos., neat head and shoulders, nice col. and qual., good wing carr., not so tight in feather; 3, hc, Pyman, paler col., well up on leg, nice length, neat narrow shoulders, nice wing carr.; 4, Crawhall; vhc, Coulson; c, Stewart. YELL. 1914 (24), grand class: 1, challenge cup best unflig., 4, c, sp, Crawhall, leader a gem all over, grand length, straight as a rush and just showing the least bit of breed, beautifully rounded, feathered like wax, neat head, grandly drawn at

waist, perfect wings, nice col. and lovely qual.; 2, Tindale, hotter col., not so rich in qual., fine length, straight up on fine legs, grand shoulders and waist, tightly braced wings and tail, we think the L.C.B.A. second; 3, Kennerson, hardly the length of leaders, beautifully rounded body, neat narrow shoulders, finely drawn, red hot col., nice feather, well braced wings and tail; vhc, Stewart; hc, Pyman. BUFF (23), another hot lot; 1, Ramsden's Cup, 2nd best unflig., vhc, sp, Stewart, leader gem all over, grand length, perfect pos., beautifully rounded, neat head, grandly drawn at waist, tight as a bottle, grand col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, c, Coulson, grand one, not quite the length of winner, grand pos., beautifully drawn, neat head and shoulders, nice col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 3, Pyman, gem for length and pos., very erect, nice col. and qual., neat head, finely tapered, hardly so neat in wing carr.; 4, Crawhall; hc, Deighton. HEN (24): 1, sp, hc, Tindale, yell., topper all over, lovely length and pos., straight as a rush, beautifully rounded, neat head, grand shoulders and waist, finely drawn, grand col. and qual., perfect wings and tail; 2, c, Pyman, gem of a buff, fine length, lovely pos., neat head, grandly rounded body nice col. and qual., tight as a drum, beautifully carried wings and tail; 3, Crawhall, wing tkd. yell., not quite the length of body, but beautifully neat and finely drawn, nice col. and qual., lovely feather, well braced wings and tail; 4, Johnson; vhc, Stewart. NOV. YELL. (7): 1, 4, sp, Willis, leader good one, fine length, well up on nice legs, neat narrow shoulders, nice head, well drawn, nice col. and qual., good wings and tail; 2, 3, Baxter, two nice ones, leader fine length, well up on leg, neat head, shoulders and waist, well drawn, neat wing carr., equal to winner in all but col.; 3rd nice length, straight up, nice col. and qual., neat wings, hardly so well drawn at waist; vhc, Gregory; hc, Hedley. BUFF (1, sp, Gregory, good one, nice length, good pos., neat narrow shoulders, well rounded, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Robinson, better col. than winner, nice length, good pos., neat head and shoulders, well drawn, not so tightly braced in wings; 3, Witherley, head and wing tkd., nice length and pos., well drawn, neat wing carr., bit pale in col.; 4, Smith; vhc, Topping. YELL. HEN (1): 1, sp, Robinson, good one, fine length, well up on leg, grand shoulders, nice col. and wing carr. BUFF (2): 1, sp, Robinson, neat all over, nice length and pos., neat head and shoulders, good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, Willis, hardly the length, well rounded, nice shoulders and waist, neat wing carr. YELL. 1914 (9): 1, Willis, cinn. mkd., nice one, good length, fine pos., well rounded shoulders, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, 3, vhc, sp, Natrass, varieg. leading, bit shorter than winner, straight as a rush, grandly rounded, nice col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; 3, cl., grand length, very erect, not so well rounded on sides, grand col. and qual., well carried wings and tail; 4, Gregory; hc, Witherley; c, Hedley. BUFF (7): 1, sp, Baxter, cl., nice one, good length, straight up, neat narrow shoulders well drawn, nice col. and qual., tightly braced wings and tail; 2, Natrass, cl. better col., but hardly so well rounded, nice length, well up on leg, good qual. and feather; 3, Hedley, varieg. grand length and pos., neat head and shoulders, nice col.; 4, Smith; vhc, Smith; hc, Topping. HEN (8): 1, vhc, Witherley, varieg. yell. leading, grand length, 2, sp, Witherley, varieg. yell. leading, grand length, slim and finely drawn, nice pos., neat head and shoulders, good col., well braced wings and tail; 2nd cl. buff, nice length, slim and well tapered, nicely rounded, nice col. and feather, good wings and tail; 3, 4, Robinson, cl. buff, nice length, well up on leg, nice col., neatly carried wings and tail; vhc, Natrass; hc, Hedley. SELL., 20s. (4): 1, Crawhall; 2, Wigglesworth; 3, Tindale; 4, absent. 12s. 6d. (1): 1, Crawhall. STOCK (4): 1, Tweede; 2, Robinson; 3, Hedley; 4, Wigglesworth.

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Abersychan Proves Another Welsh Success

Third open show, Co-operative Hall, Dec. 3. The show proved another great success, nearly 100 more birds being staged than at last year's show, and the promoters were highly delighted at their efforts meeting with such good response from fanciers. Norwich were a very level lot, some really good birds heading the different classes. Yorks were well represented, Messrs. Ogden Bros. sending some of their noted crakes, as also did Messrs. Thompson and H. C. Smith. Novice classes filled well; indeed, it is remarkable how well these classes are supported in Wales, many of the exhibits would have caused some alteration of the awards in the champion classes, and many of those lower down in the awards were separated by condition only from the leaders. British formed a very nice collection, the winning Goldfinches and Bullfinches were indeed real gems, and should do a lot more winning for their owners. Everything passed off without a hitch, thanks to the excellent management of Mr. T. Conch, who was ably assisted by a hardworking committee, Messrs. T. Parry, T. Ashman, G. Walters, R. Cleaves, W. Parfitt, and H. Walters. The secretary, Mr. Fred Sweeting, is a very energetic and hardworking official, of whom the society have good reason to be proud. Mr. H. W. Battye judged.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, Mortimer, both cl., former good bold shape, nice col. and qual., inclined to cross wings, 2, hardly subs., nice type and qual., trifle frilled on breast; 3, Tedstone, cl., grand col. and qual., very shapely, in first-class order; 4, Couch, cl., nice shape and ear, hardly size of leaders; vhc, Slee, hc, Couch; c, Amphlett; No. 3, Broome, real good one, must have been down when judged. **BUFF (8):** 1, Greaves and Richards, cl., real good one, nice cobby shape, good subs. and col., well mented; 2, Thomas, cl., very shapely, well packed wings, nice feather, close up; 3, Amphlett, good size, rather too leathery; 4, Mrs. Weeks, very cobby, well packed wings, trifle on the small side; vhc, hc, Jones; c, Couch. **VAR. YELL. (3):** 1, Broome, eye and wing mkd., grand col. and qual., well filled back, good wings and tail, close feather; 2, Couch, light var., medium size, nice cobby shape, good feather and cond.; 3, James and Wells, var., grand col. and qual., nice shape, shown in the pink. **BUFF (9):** 1, Tedstone, good head and neck, nice size, very shapely, well packed wings, A1 order, wings; 2, Selby and Morton, eye and wing mkd., hardly size of leader, very cobby, rich col. and qual., fine cond.; 3, Amphlett, good qual. and type, trifle on small side; 4, Couch; vhc, Jones. **YELL. HEN (7):** 1, Nicholas, cl., non-fed, wonderful size for a hen, good col. and qual., trifle long in thighs and tail; 2, hc, Tedstone, cl., grand col. and qual., very shapely, hardly subs. of leader, still, a bonny exhibit; 3, Slee, cl., very shapely, nice col. and qual., medium size, put down in first-class order; 4, Broome; vhc, Harry; c, Couch. **BUFF (7):** 1, Jones, grizzle, head mkd., nicely moulded body, well across perch, neat wings and tail, in good order; 2, Broome, cl., sweet shape and style, hardly subs. of leader, grand cond.; 3, James and Wells, cl., nicely moulded, good head and neck, neat wings and tail; vhc, Harry; hc, Slee; c, Tedstone. **UNFLIG. YELL. (6):** 1, Thomas, cl., very fine qual. feather, grand col., nicely moulded, well packed wings, neat tail, put down in perfect order; 2, 4, Mrs. Week, clears, in perfect feather and grand col., leader a trifle more shapely than 4th, otherwise hard to choose between; 3, James and Wells, var., blaze of col., good cobby shape, nice style and feather; vhc, Selby and Morton; hc, Couch. **BUFF (8):** 1, Jones, grizzle mkd., real good one, correct type, good subs., nice col., A1 qual.; 2, Mortimer, cl., very shapely, neat wings and tail, nice size, well shown; 3, Couch, var., nice col., qual. and size, hardly as shapely as leaders; 4, Tedstone, var., correct type, grand col. and qual.; vhc, no name; hc, Broome; c, Thomas. **HEN (5):** 1, Addison, eye and wing mkd. buff, nice size for a hen, good col. and qual., very shapely; 2, Broome, eye and wing mkd. yell., lovely col. and qual., nicely moulded, neat wings and tail; 3, James and Wells, var. yell., grand col. and qual., well rounded head, good body; 4, Couch; vhc, Davies. **NOV. CK. (13):** 1, Williams, buff, very typical, nice cobby shape, good feather and mealings; 2, 3, Thomas and Durham, wing mkd. buff, lovely level col. and qual., hardly the subs., but a real good shaped one; 3, cl. yell., nice size and shape, good col. and qual.; 4, Jones and Smith, buff, good size and shape, nice feather; vhc, Gamsone; hc, Powell; c, Jolliffe. **HEN (13):** 1, Jones and Smith, cl. buff, nice stout build, close feather, well cut away, lovely qual. and cond.; 2, hc, Selby and Morton, mkd. yell., grand col., very shapely, neat head and neck, staged well; 3, Jenkins, cl. buff, bonny shape, nice col. and qual., trifle on small side; 4, Phelps, cl., yell., nice col. and qual., could do with a bit more subs.; vhc, Thomas and Durham; c, Sweeting. **UNFLIG. (10):** 1, Jones and Smith, cl. yell., nicely moulded, grand feather and cond., should make a good one; 2, Jolliffe, cl. yell., another of the right stamp, very shapely, grand col. and qual., put down in the pink; 3, Phelps, var. yell., lovely col. and qual., hardly as nicely moulded as leaders, still, a bird worth looking after; 4, Williams, cl. yell., nice col., neat head and neck; vhc, Vaughan; hc, Sweeting; c, Powell. **YORKS. YELL. CK. (3):** 1, Ogden Bros., cl., wonderful length, nicely proportioned, grand leg, nice pos., blaze of col.; 2, Weeks, cl., lengthy, full of nerve, good pos., slightly frilled, some thought might have given way to 3. Thompson, cl. yell., grand size and length, nice pos. and style, good shoulders and back, neat head, lovely col. and qual.; 4, Ashman, shapely, nice length, well on leg; vhc, hc, Smith; c, Owen. **BUFF (7):** 1, Ogden Bros., cl., beauty, good size, nice length of leg, well balanced; 2, James and Wells, cl., nicely drawn, good pos., very nervy, grand qual. and col.; 3, Thompson, cl., good length of wing, nice pos., well filled back, good leg; 4, sp., Ashman, cl., shapely, nice wings and tail; vhc, Cook; hc, Wooton; c, Ley. **MKD. (4):** 1, Smith, eye and wing mkd. buff, nicely filled in, well up on leg, good pos., neat head, shoulders and wings; 2, Hillman, grizzle cap, yell., beautifully moulded, nice pos., good leg, col. and qual.; 3, Peden Bros., eye and wing mkd. buff, capital type, nicely moulded, well braced wings, neat tail; 4, Russell. **VAR. CK. (4):** 1, Ogden Bros., var. yell., a gem, grand col. and qual., capital type, nicely rounded, grand length, fine pos.; 2, Weeks, var. buff, nice size and length, well moulded throughout, good leg; 3, Owen, yell., nice col. and qual., hardly as clearly cut as leader, still, a real good one; 4, Cooper. **YELL. HEN (9):** 1, vhc, Smith, cl., beautiful shape and pos., neat wings and tail, feathered like wax, grand pos.; 2, Owen, well up on leg, correct wings and tail, nice leg, a little behind in qual. feather; 3, c, Ashman, check mkd.,

trifle shorter, good leg, nice col., pos. and qual.; 4, hc, Hillman, cl., hardly length leaders, well up on leg, good nerve. **BUFF (6):** 1, Ogden Bros., tkd., charmer, nicely moulded, good head, back and wings, lovely qual. and cond., grand pos.; 2, Hillman, cl., stands well, nice col. and qual., hardly length leader; 3, Weeks, cl., good leg, nice pos., col. and qual.; 4, Harry; vhc, Ashman; hc, Griffiths. **UNFLIG. YELL. (11):** 1, Thomson, cl., marvellous col., wonderful length, good head, back and wings, nice pos. and qual.; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., real good one, similar type, but hardly col. of leader; 3, Wooton, cl., nice length, beautifully moulded, well braced wings and tail, good pos., col. and qual.; 4, Owen, cl., typical, neat head, well filled back, nice length and pos.; vhc, Hillman; hc, Cooper; c, Griffiths. **BUFF (9):** 1, Ogden Bros., cl., grand size and length, good head, well filled back, neat wings and tail, nice pos. and leg; 2, Wooton, grand size and type, hardly as well cut as leader, nice length and pos.; 3, James and Wells, cl., hardly length, nice pos. and type, good col. and qual.; 4, Ashman, tkd., good col. and qual., neat head, good wings and tail, nice pos.; vhc, Hillman; hc, Weeks; c, Bevan. **HEN (9):** 1, Ogden Bros., cl. yell., grand length, wing nicely braced, good pos., nice style, col. and qual.; 2, Bevan, buff, nice back and wings, grand length, good pos., tip-top order; 3, Thompson, grizzle mkd. yell., capital length, nice feather, col. and cond., well up on leg, good pos.; 4, Smith, tkd. yell., nice col. and qual., well moulded, stands like a major; vhc, c, Ashman; hc, Cooper. **NOV. CK. (20):** 1, Lewis, cl. yell., good col. and qual., fine length and pos., nice leg and wings, slightly frilled in front; 2, Griffiths, cl. buff, neat head and neck, nice col., pos. and qual., very nervy; 3, Smith, wing-mkd. yell., neat wings and tail, nice col. and pos.; 4, Parfitt, eye and wing mkd. yell., fine col. and qual., hardly length leaders, nice pos., good leg; vhc, Watkins; hc, Llewellyn; c, Arthur. **HEN (13):** 1, Lewis, cl. buff, neat, nicely clothed, good head and neck, well balanced wings and tail, good length and pos.; 2, Glee, cl. yell., fine col. and qual., nicely drawn, good wings and tail, well on leg; 3, James, cl. buff, nice type and qual., good pos., very nervy; 4, Parfitt, cl. yell., good level col., nice type and qual.; vhc, Warr; hc, Parry; c, Arthur. **UNFLIG. (17):** 1, Walter, grizzle mkd. buff, nicely drawn, good leg, wings and tail, neat head and neck; 2, Morris, cap and wing mkd. yell., fine level col., good straight back, neat head and neck, well filled back, nice pos.; 3, Phillips, grizzle mkd. buff, well up on leg, nice pos. and col., lovely qual. and cond.; 4, Parfitt, var. yell., grand col. and qual., nice pos., hardly length of leaders; vhc, Cliff; hc, Latham; c, Morgan. **SELL. 30s. (5):** 1, Jones; 2, Wooton; 3, Addison; 4, Walter; vhc, Moigan. **20s. (5):** 1, Betty; 2, Wooton; 3, Jones; 4, Groom; vhc, Cliff. **10s. (6):** 1, Betty; 2, Wooton; 3, Sam Jones junr.; 4, Esmond; vhc, Glee; hc, Groom. **HYB. (2):** 1, 2, Edwards, medium size Goldie-Bullies, grand col. and qual., leader slightly the larger. **MULE (9):** 1, 2, Ball, Can-Bull., medium size, nice shape, lovely qual. and cond.; 2, Rees, Dark Goldf., lovely qual. and col., very shapely; 4, S. Jones, junr., dark Goldf., nice level col., hardly size of 3rd; vhc, Jones; hc, Walters; c, Clark. **GOLDF. (13):** 1, vhc, Lewis, grand size and shape, lovely square cut blaze, nice tans and huttons, in tip-top order; 2, c, Edwards, another really good one, neat blaze, grand hars and buttons, nice tans; 3, Sam Jones, junr., nice good cut blaze, grand size and shape, lovely col. and qual.; 4, Rees, neat Finch, trifle smaller than leader, good square blaze, nice bars, huttons and tans; vhc, Coakham; c, Edwards. **BULLF. (8):** 1, 2, S. Jones, junr., gems, hard to separate, grand breast col., good cap and bars, best of shape and qual.; 3, Rees, hen, lovely shape, grand type and qual., good cap and bars; 4, vhc, Richards, hardly col. of leaders, grand cobby shape, neat col. and qual.; vhc, Coakham; c, Groom. **LINNET (9):** 1, Nicholas, well-known; 2, Dalton, very shapely, good col. and qual., well laced, in nice cond.; 3, Preece, shade smaller, grand col. and qual., well pencilled; 4, Rees, nice size, lovely qual. and cond.; vhc, Jeffreys; hc, Davies; c, Lloyd James. **A.O. HARDBILL (8):** 1, Sam Jones, junr., Yellow Bunting, lovely col. and qual., good size and shape, nice V. markings; 2, Dalton, Chaffinch, grand col. and qual., neat shape, medium size; 3, Jeffreys, Meadow Bunting, grand exhibit, lovely plumage and cond.; 4, Jones, Siskin, nice eye marking, good cap and bars, feathered to perfection; vhc, Evans; hc, c, Vaughan. **BORD. YELL. (4):** 1, Jones, cl., lovely type and qual., nicely moulded, feathered like wax; 2, Brailly, grizzle mkd., correct type, well balanced wings, very shapely; 3, Harvel, cl., nice shape and col., hardly as good qual. as leaders; 4, Hoddinot. **BUFF (6):** 1, Cooper, neat cl., nicely moulded, good wings and tail, feathered like box-wood; 2, Hoddinot, cl., close up, neat shape, lovely qual. and col.; 3, Brailly, cl., shapely, neat wings and tail, very jaunty; 4, Harvey; vhc, Lapworth; hc, Jones. **NOV. (7):** 1, 3, Cooper, buffs, neatly moulded, lovely texture feather, correct type, nice col. and qual.; 2, hc, Hoddinot, cl. yell., lovely col. and qual., nice carriage, in first-class order; 4, Jones; vhc, Lapworth; c, Bennet.

EALING F.S.

Young Stock Show, Memorial Hall, West Ealing. There was quite a nice collection of Norwich and Yorks, quality also being good. The show was carried out without a hitch. Mr. G. Gardner judged. **NOR. YELL. 1, sp. best bird, 3, vhc, Thursty, good col., silky feather, nicely built, tkd, stands well across; 3, not quite the subs.; 2, hc, Chipp, varieg., neat shape, rich bone, rattling col.; res, Huxley. **BUFF (1):** 1, Thursty, nice head and front, good qual., trifle strong at root of tail; 2, res, Cape, bonny shaped varieg., good head, perhaps a trifle slack, but grand for breeding; 3, vhc, c, Chipp, soft feathered, nice col.; hc, Huxley. **YORKS. YELL. (1):** 1, hc, Potter, very smart, well on the leg, grand feather and col., typical, run close for sp; 2, 3, Huxley, smart, upstanding birds, the 2nd making a good fight for first place; res, Crockett; vhc, Boffin. **BUFF (1):** 2, Potter, full of qual., very typical; 2nd, probably a hen, and as such, just a wee bit strong at waist, yet nice; 3, vhc, hc, Boffin, smart and stylish; res, Crockett.**

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WHITBURN.

9th annual show, Dec. 5, Town Hall, quite a suitable place for the purpose, comfortable in every respect. Birds were neatly staged, and were all seen to the best advantage. Entries in Norwich, British and Mules were similar to former years. Borders, which provided 13 classes, made a great show, 140 exhibits came up in this section, some grand specimens being amongst them. In the Border Green and Cinnamon sections Councillor Lambie accounted for five 1sts and annexed the Ure cup for most points with six nominated birds, quite a creditable performance. The executive of the society are blessed with a wealthy patronage, and there was also a fair gate, so it is to be expected the exhibition will again turn out the success it deserves. Mr. Snillie, Rickarton, judged Border Fancies; R. Bald, Bathgate, Norwich, Mules and Brit., in place of Mr. Marlin, Hamilton, who, owing to a family bereavement, could not fill his engagement.

CREST (4): 1, Sneddon, large varieg., nicely got up, well groomed crest; 2, Laing, similar to winner, lovely cond.; 3, 4, R. Lambie, cl. and gr. C.B. (4): 1, Sneddon, grand body, nice skull, beautifully browned, in lovely feather; 2, McKigen, similar build, not so silky in feather; 3, R. Lambie; 4, Laing. **NOR. CK. (4):** 1, sp., Scobbie, massive build, nice bold head, close feather, in the pink; 2, Fleming, good shape, well cut away, hardly the size of leader; 3, Main, nice exhibit, in good feather, our choice for 2nd; 4, Dunlop. **HEN (2):** 1, Scobbie, neat all through, good wings, nice close feather, A1 cond.; 2, Dunlop, very shapely. **UNFLIG. CK. (5):** 1, 2, Peden and Ashcroft, size and shape all there, lovely feather, could do with a little more chest; 3, sp., Scobbie, much the same build, nicely placed; 4, Cosgrove; 5, Dunlop. **HEN (3):** 1, Scobbie, nice shape, fine texture of feather, good head, spanning cond.; 2, Herd, lovely exhibit, should turn out a good one; 3, Gowans. **NON-FED CK. (12):** 1, Cosgrove, typical Nor., neat head and wings, wings; 2, Fleming, hardly the shape of winner, good cond.; 3, Gowans, all there for shape and style, a little rough in feather; 4, Herd, lacks subs., yet should improve with time; 5, Scobbie; 6, Peden and Ashcroft. **HEN (7):** 1, Peden and Ashcroft, nice size, good qual. of feather and cond.; 2, Scobbie, much the same build, close up; 3, Gowans, good size, but not quite so nice qual.; 4, 5, Cosgrove; 6, R. Lambie. **NOR. SELL. (8):** 1, 3, 4, 5, Peden and Ashcroft; 2, Fleming; 6, Rodgers Bros. **BORD. YELL. CL. OR TKD. CK. (13):** 1, Rodgers, grand col., lovely feather, nice style, very neat head, good wings and tail; 2, G. Bennet, neat body, sweet style, nice balanced wings, in perfect order; 3, Purvis, somewhat smaller, but a beauty for type and cond.; 4, sp., Lambie, nice type and style, close up; 5, H. Bennet; 6, Hay. **BUFF (14):** 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Hamilton, rich col., well balanced and moulded, full of qual.; 2, Watson, fine type, good back, nice wings and tail, beaten in col.; 3, Purvis, scarcely so shapely as winners, nice qual. of feather; 4, G. Bennet, grand head and back, nice qual. of feather, close up; 5, Rodgers; 6, Kroezen. **YELL. HEN (11):** 1, H. Bennet, charming type, nicely moulded throughout, A1 qual., nice win; 2, Rodgers, scarcely the col. of winners, but nicely drawn, in the pink; 3, Purvis, slim racy body, nicely balanced wings, wee bit rough; 4, Gentleman, smart, stylish and shapely, in good order; 5, Patterson; 6, Watson. **BUFF (9):** 1, H. Bennet, beauty, put down in the pink, tight as wax; 2, Purvis, nice type and qual., free jaunty movement, nicely placed; 3, R. Lambie, grand head and wings, rare shape and style; 4, Hamilton; 5, Watson; 6, Kroezen. **YELL. GR. CK. (13):** 1, sp., A. and W. Thomson, lovely type and style, neat head, grand back and wings, wings; 2, 4, R. Lambie, 2nd very jaunty and free in style, rich col., capital cond.; 3, Forrest, nice size, tight in feather, nicely laced; 5, G. Johnston. **BUFF GR. HEN (11):** 1, 4, R. Lambie, sweet little Border, good sound col., full of qual., 4th stouter in body, good col., very stylish; 2, A. and W. Thomson, regular little picture, nicely laced, neater in mould, we fancied much; 3, W. Lambie, very fine buff, nice head, grand wing carr.; 5, Reid; 6, Johnston. **GR. HEN (21):** 1, 4, 5, R. Lambie, leader in grand fettle, put down in nice fashion, nice even col., good type, 4th not so nicely finished, still a good one; 2, Lumsden, hardly the type of winners, but all there for qual. of feather and col.; 3, Johnston, very nice one, nicely moulded throughout, A1 qual.; 6, W. Lambie. **CINN. CK. (12):** 1, R. Lambie, nice qual., neat head and shoulders, grand col.; 2, Whitelaw, nice body, stands well on perch; 3, H. Bennet, well tapered, grand feather and cond.; 5, W. Lambie; 6, Johnston. **HEN (12):** 1, 4, R. Lambie, shapely exhibit, needs no comment, 4th not so steady; 2, Murray, shapely, nicely balanced wings, nice col. and cond.; 3, Johnston, sweet little model, a little rough in feather, nicely placed; 5, H. Bennet; 6, No Name. **CINN. OR GR. FOUL (5):** 1, R. Lambie, grand col., in first-class cond.; 2, Reid, not so shapely, good feather and cond.; 3, 4, No Name; 5, Rubie. **A.O.V. CK. (7):** 1, Hamilton, grand style, sweet head, nice wings, perfect cond.; 2, B.F.C.C. novice medal, Weir, neat head and shoulders, full of style; 3, R. Lambie, grand qual. of feather, lovely cond.; 4, Ferguson; 5, Duncan; 6, Schooler. **HEN (4):** 1, Schooler, sweet little model, neat head and shoulders, in nice order, wings; 2, sp., 3, R. Lambie, all there for qual. and cond., 3rd a little heavier in body; 4, M'Coll. **SELL. (1):** 1, Hamilton; 2, H. Bennet; 3, Rodgers; 4, R. Lambie; 5, G. Bennet; 6, Sloan. **GOLDF. (7):** 1, Wight, rich crimson blaze, nice tannings, beautifully buttoned, in the pink, clear win; 2, 3, 5, Niven, a good team, not much to choose, put down in lovely order; 4, Peden and Ashcroft; 6, Peel. **BULLF. CK. (5):** 1, Peden and Ashcroft, typical Britisher, rich breast col., dense cap, nice one; 2, McKigen, grand Finch, nicely put down, not so rich in col.; 3, Calder, good cond., loses in type to the others; 4, Morrison; 5, Niven. **HEN (10):** 1, Gentleman, beautiful damsel, in lovely cond., nice cap and bib, easy win; 2, Wight, good size, nice tone of col., loses in cond. to winners; 3, Strachan, nice shape, bit rough in feather; 4, Robson; 5, Reid; 6, Naismith. **LINNET (7):** 1, Wason, grand size, rich col., nice wing fights, beautiful markings, wings; 2, Morrison, lovely head, nice markings, falls in tone of col. to winner; 3, Strachan, nicely pencilled, in fine fettle, might have gone up here; 4, Parker; 5, Lambie; 6, Robson. **LINNET, F.M. (7):** 1, Campbell, fine shape, well pencilled, nice head and throat markings, well put down; 2, 6, R. Lambie, nice size, good cond., close up; 3, Reid, very rich col., nice feather, not so dense in markings; 4, Watson; 5, Glass. **GREENF. (13):** 1, Nicol, good size, bold head, lovely feather, very rich col., wings; 2, Gentleman, grand Finch, equal in size, not so tight in feather; 3, 5, Campbell, big bounding fellow, lovely cond., close up; 4, Brownlee and Cook; 6, M'Kechnie. **GREENF., F.M. (12):** 1, 2, A. M'Lean, two grand Finches, in perfect trim, nice wings, beautiful heads, exceptional col., well placed; 3, W. Lambie, hardly

the size of winners, still a good one; 4, Glass; 5, Morrison; 6, Lambie. **GREENF. HEN (4):** 1, Campbell, grand size, very smooth in feather; 2, Lavingstone, darker col., very steady, nice round head; 3, Sharp, big one, shade rough; 4, Glass. **LESSER REDPOLL (5):** 1, Nicol, grand shape, great col., nicely pencilled, tip-top cond.; 2, Wason, another hot one, close on heels of winners; 3, Boag, lovely feather, smaller; 4, Peel; 5, Lambie. **LESSER POLL, F.M. (7):** 1, 3, 4, W. Lambie, nice trio, beautifully marked, grand col. and shape, all in the pink; 2, Johnston, sweet head, nicely mkd., good order; 6, Findlay. **MEALY OR TWITE (4):** 1, Johnston, Mealy, old warrior, looking well, easy win; 2, Wight, Twite, nicely mkd., rather slim got up, nice order; 3, Calder, Mealy, loses in size and col. to winners; 4, Weir. **SISKIN (7):** 1, 5, 6, Calder, leader in grand fettle, grand cap, nicely laced, beautiful feather; 2, Brownlee and Cook, not so shapely; 3, Morrison; 4, Peden and Ashcroft. **BUNTING:** 1, Calder, Yellowhammer, grand head, nicely coloured, wings; 2, 3, Strachan, two nice Hammers, spanking cond. **HEN (11):** 1, 5, Strachan, "West Lohbian Queen," nicely spangled Thrush, put down in the pink; 2, Anderson, mawfuch, nice cond.; 3, Wason, lovely order; 4, Brownlee and Cook. **GREENF., SELL. (1):** 1, Strachan; 2, Parker; 3, No Name. **SELL., A.O.V. (7):** 1, Strachan; 2, 5, M'Intosh and Sons; 3, Campbell; 4, Boag; 6, M'Lean. **HYB. (2):** 1, Campbell, Goldf-Bull., a real nice one, needs no comment; 2, sp., Boag. **DARK MULE (9):** 1, Herron and M'Nairn, Goldf., nice shape, sound rich col., well proportioned, wings; 2, M'Lean, Goldie, another good one, fails in col. to winner, very steady; 3, Scobbie, Goldie, slimmer in build, nice col., good feather; 4, Calder; 5, Clark; 6, Peden and Ashcroft.

SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.

40th annual show, Grand Hall, Old Kent Road Baths, November 19. Entries totalled 216, slightly down on last year, but quality throughout was in advance of previous years, the exhibits in several classes being hard to separate. Cup for best young bird went to Mr. J. S. Fairman's mkd. Yorks, a bird of exceptional merit, which also took the cup for best 1914 Yorks. Cup for best Bord., Messrs. Burton Bros., for the second year in succession. The Lee Novice trophy for best bird bred by a novice also went to a Border, Sergt. J. H. Joplin being the winner. The birds were staged down the central aisle with plenty of light, and great credit must be given the stewards, Messrs. G. F. Crawford, W. G. Martin, and J. Fuller, for the way in which they looked after the exhibits. In spite of the wretched weather a large number of visitors visited the show in the evening. Mr. J. Rohson judged.

NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Hodder; 2, Tomsett. **BUFF (4):** 1, spl, 3, Hodder; 2, Thomas; 4, Crawford. **MKD. CK. (3):** 1, 2, Hodder; 3, Tomsett. **HENS (4):** 1, spl, 2, Crawford; 1, Tomsett; 4, Harris (these awards, two 1sts, are as in cat. received.—Ed.). **UNFLIG. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4):** 1, 2, spls, Hodder; 2, 4, Crawford; 3, Thomas. **BUFF (3):** 1, Hodder; 2, Crawford; 3, Tomsett. **MKD. (4):** 1, Harris; 2, Thomas; 3, Tomsett; 4, Crawford. **HENS (10):** 1, vhc, hc, c, Crawford; 2, Burton Bros.; 3, Thomas; 4, Hodder. **YORKS, CL. OR TKD. CK. (4):** 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Fairman; 4, Bacon. **BUFF (2):** 1, Clarke; 2, Fairman. **MKD. CK. (2):** 1, Clarke; 2, Fairman. **HENS (4):** 1, 3, 4, Clarke; 2, Fairman. **UNFLIG. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (3):** 1, 3 spls, Fairman; 2, 3, Clarke. **BUFF (3):** 1, 2 spls, 2, Clarke; 3, Bacon. **MKD. CK. (2):** 1, Clarke; 2, Fairman. **HENS (6):** 1, 3, vhc, Clarke; 2, Fairman; 4, Bacon. **BORD. CL. OR TKD. CK. (4):** 1, MKD. (2); HENS (2); UNFLIG., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): all Burton Brothers. **MKD. CK. (4):** 1, 2, 3, Burton Bros.; 4, Crawford. **GR. OR CINN. (4):** 1 spl, Bacon; 2, 3, Burton Bros.; 4, Crawford. **UNFLIG. GR. OR CINN. (5):** 1, 2, Bacon; 3, 4, vhc, Burton Bros. **CREST OR C.B. (amaig):** All Horton. **NON-FED (1):** Burton Bros. **A.O.V. (1):** Bacon. **NOV. NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (3):** 1, Full. **BUFF (1):** Full. **MKD. (2):** 1, Fuller; 2, Pratt. **HENS (4):** 1, 3, 4, Fuller; 2, Dimond. **UNFLIG. CL. OR TKD. BUFF CK. (1):** Pratt. **MKD. (4):** 1, spl, 4, sp., Fuller; 2, 3, Dimond. **HENS (2):** 1, 2, Fuller. **YORKS CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4):** 1, Pratt; 2, 3, Fuller; 4, Cant. **BUFF (3):** 1, Pratt; 2, Fuller; 3, Cant. **MKD. (2):** 1, Pratt; 2, Hallam. **HENS (4):** 1, 2, 4, Fuller; 3, Cant. **UNFLIG. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4):** 1, Pratt; 2, Cant; 3, 4, Fuller. **BUFF (4):** 1, 3, Hallam; 2, Pratt; 4, Fuller. **MKD. (4):** 1, spl, 3, Cant; 2, Pratt; 4, Fuller. **BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6):** 1, 2, Sutton; 3, vhc, G. Martin; 4, hc, Williams. **BUFF (4):** 1, Preece; 2, Kay; 3, G. Martin; 4, W. Martin. **MKD. (3):** 1, Kay; 2, G. Martin; 3, Sergt. Joplin. **HENS (10):** 1, 3, Preece; 2, vhc, G. Martin; 4, c, Kay; hc, Sutton. **UNFLIG. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4):** 1, 2, Sergt. Joplin; 3, G. Martin; 4, Kay. **BUFF (7):** 1, 2 spls, 2, Sergt. Joplin; 3, 4, Kay; vhc, spl, W. Martin; hc, G. Martin; c, Williams. **MKD. (6):** 1, hc, Kay; 2, Sergt. Joplin; 3, G. Martin; 4, Williams; vhc, Preece. **HENS (9):** 1, spl, 2, G. Martin; 3, Preece; 4, vhc, W. Martin; hc, Sergt. Joplin; c, Williams. **GR. OR CINN. BORD. (5):** 1, Kay; 2, 4, Preece; 3, Williams; vhc, W. Martin. **NON-FED. (1):** 1, Jackson. **MULE OR HYB. (4):** 1, spl, 2, Brownlie; 3, Fairman; 4, Sergt. Joplin. **GOLDF. (2):** 1, sp, Bacon; 2, Brownlie. **LINNET (2):** 1, Renacre; 2, Williams. **GREENF., ETC. (2):** 1, Groom. **SORTBILL (2):** 1, 2, Williams. **HEN (2):** 1, Preece; 2, Fairman. **SELL., 20s. (5):** 1, Tomsett; 2, Fairman; 3, Harris; 4, Crawford; vhc, Dimond. **12s. 6d. (3):** All Burton Bros.

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Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS FOR RULES, SEE LAST WEEK'S ISSUE.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SWELLING ON LEG (Miss E. Young).—Correction: In this reply last week the words "a serious abscess" should be "a serious abscess."

CAVITY ON CHEEK (Mrs. B. Gunn).—The depression you mention is undoubtedly the nasal orifice—the "gar-hole"—which may be rendered more than usually conspicuous by a thinness of the plumage; and the bird's behaviour is due to a low state of health.

A CRIPPLED YOUNGSTER (A. J., Willesden Green).—I'm afraid it is not possible to properly appreciate a case of this kind at its true value without seeing it, and frankly I incline to the opinion that you are more likely to kill the bird with kindness rather than the reverse.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Romsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries."

ture of equal parts hemp, niger, teazle, millet and broken groats, and next a morsel of some green salad. One week add 20 drops of Chemical Food to the drinking water every second day, and in the next week give instead six drops of tincture of gentian and four drops of dilute sulphuric acid every second day, and repeat these two weeks' treatment in the same order for a month or six weeks.

BLOOD PERCENTAGE (J. A. W.).—The solution of your little problem is that the young from the hen with 50 per cent. green blood will contain 37 1/2 per cent. of green and 62 1/2 of cinnamon blood; and the young from the hen with 100 per cent. green blood will contain 62 1/2 per cent. of green blood and 37 1/2 per cent. of cinnamon.

CANNOT SING (Constant Reader).—Possibly the bird is only taking a little longer rest than usual, as is not unusual with birds that have passed the first glow of youth. Keep it in a fairly comfortable place, and do not keep the cabinet closed for long periods. Let it have plenty of light and brightness, which will induce it to resume singing more than anything else.

NORWICH GOING BLIND (Bert).—I am afraid nothing whatever will be of the least use in restoring the bird's sight, as it appears to be suffering from paralysis of the optic nerve. You might try the following for a time, but I am not very sanguine of the result. Get a chemist to mix you ten grains of sulphate of zinc in an ounce of distilled water, and add two drachms of rose water. Catch the bird and place one or two drops of this lotion on each eye morning and evening, holding the bird in such a position as will assist the fluid to work around and under the eyelid; do this with each eye.

ABOUT AN AVIARY (R. F. Griffiths).—As you have not yet built the aviary, I would advise you to add at least six inches more to the height of the back if that is possible in order to give a greater slope to the roof and assist in throwing off rain quickly. According to your sketch you have only a drop of six inches in a width of six feet, and by making the back six inches higher and getting a slope of twelve inches would make a great improvement.

each aperture, and arranged so that the perforations are not in juxtaposition. (2) 8ft. Gns. by 2ft. would be sufficient for the window. It would be a good plan to build this on a frame separately, and make it to slide in grooves into position, so that during the summer months the whole space of the window could be added to the ventilation system. If made fast one-half of it should be made to open with struts for use in summer. (3) Answered in No. 2.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BIRDS NOT MOULTING (Perplexed).—I am afraid there is something hardly right in your management, or your birds would have moulted before this. If you are quite certain the Canaries and Finch have not changed their plumage, the sooner you put them through it the better. I would advise you to put them all together into the largest light cage you have, and partly cover the front, gradually extending it each day until they are pretty well covered up. This will probably start a moult. Be careful of any change of temperature when they have commenced, and see that they are not in a draught.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (H. Kay).—You cannot do better than keep British Finches in your outside aviary. They are easy to feed, and most of them are quite nice songsters. You could commence with a pair of each of the following: Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Linnet, Siskin, Greenfinch, Redpoll, and, if you like them, a pair of Yellow Buntings, also Canaries during the summer months.

A QUESTION OF PAIRING (Miss E. Smith).—A Roller hen would be all right to pair with a Siskin, but you would do better to get a smallish Norwich, because although the Norwich might not be much larger than the Roller, it would probably throw good sized Mules, whereas the Roller hen, having come from small stock would naturally produce young after its own kind. If you have the Roller hen and only wish to breed singing Mules, there is no objection to your using her.

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnet," No. 3 "Skylark," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

THRUSH OUT OF CONDITION (J. B.).—I do not think there is very much the matter with your Thrush, a mild aperient occasionally and a little change of diet will soon put him right. Dissolve as much sulphate of soda as will cover a sixpence in two tablespoonfuls of water, and give for one day, repeating again in 3 days. As regards feeding, it is a mistake to keep a bird on the same food always, you should vary it by occasionally giving him a feed of good insectile mixture, made moist with scraped raw carrot or boiled potato, also keep him fairly well supplied with fruit. This is grand food for them and not used half enough by keepers of soft-billed birds.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BREEDING BUDGERIGARS (Miss Myers).—Leave them where they are till the young begin to show their heads through the hole in the husk, then take the cage into one of your sitting-rooms and place it in a cool part of the room; but it must be in some light and airy, yet not draughty, position. It is too late now to remove the Lovebirds, as this would disturb the Budgerigars too much. There is always a greater risk of egg-binding at this season, but your birds appear to have passed the ordeal successfully. As regards diet, many pairs cleft to rear on seed alone; keep a few oats in the cage, and as soon as you hear young hissing, push a crust of stale household bread between cage wires, hang a slice of sweet apple in the cage, and supply a small tin of biscuit, broken up to the size of maize; if any, or all, of these are eaten, keep up the supply regularly.

GREENHOUSE AVIARY (W. G. B.).—Providing the atmosphere is not too moist, the birds you name should do well enough under the conditions stated. However, they will be better without a hot atmosphere, and you must secure thorough ventilation without draught. A minimum of 40 degs. and a maximum of 60 degs. F. would be ample, and during really mild periods, when heat is going, keep it down to 60 degs., by ample ventilation. It is no use putting any kind of living plants into a Lovebird or Parakeet aviary; such are cut to pieces at once. I do not like Virginian cork bark for such purposes—that is, for such birds as are likely to bite it to pieces. Get natural bark of any of our native trees for such a purpose. All nest receptacles for Parakeets should have a concave bottom; small barrels are excellent for the purpose. Some of the Lovebirds use bark, leaves, and fine twigs for lining the nest-box, log, or barrel, and for such as Black-checks, Madagascars, and Blue-wing Lovebirds, you must supply these things. It is very unsatisfactory

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Prince of Wales Hotel, 7.50. Important bus. re members' show, etc.—11. H. Mortimer.

Aldrich Open C.B.S.—Dec. 16, Station Cafe, 3. Judging competition; members please bring pairs alps for own use.—C. Bailey.

Ardwick, Manchester C.B.A.—Dec. 15, St. Thomas' Old Schoolroom, entrance, Chapel St., 8. Op. show bus.—J. Spencer.

Barrington and Choppington C.B.S.—Dec. 1, Social Club, 7. Payment of prize-money; members must attend personally to receive same.—H. Seely.

Birkenhead C.F.A.—Dec. 15, Albert's Cafe, 8. P.M. ing dates and judges for night shows; question box.—G. Morton.

Birtley, Chester-le-Street and Pelton Foll (Amalg.)—Dec. 12, Station Hotel, Birtley, 6.30. Paying up prize money.—S. Lindsay.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Victoria Hotel, 8. General business; subs. due.—H. Bryant.

Bradford National Show.—Dec. 16, Market Tavern, 8. Balance sheet of annual show; members having tickets or cards please hand them in at this meeting.—S. Midgley.

Bradford East O.S.—Dec. 15, Park Chapel School. Members' show birds staged 7.15; judge, Mr. L. Dykes; entries, Monday night, 9 till 10; final show this year.—W. Cruise.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Dec. 12, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. Nomination of officers.—P. P. Terry.

Bramley O.S.—Dec. 11, Headquarters, 8. Entries, etc., for members' show, Dec. 12; birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. A. Chew, Leeds.—F. Page.

Buckhaven C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Gardeners' Hall, 6.30. Final arrangements for Club show, Jan. 9.—G. Pater-son.

Clydebank and C.B.C.—Dec. 17, 81, Kilbowie Road 7.45. Distribution of specials won at annual show. Election of office-bearers and presentation of balance-sheet.—Wm. Kane.

Cardiff C.B.S.—Dec. 17, Maskell's Hotel, 8. To receive report of the recent show, also other very important business. Subs. due.—E. Thomas.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Dec. 14, Church Institute, 60, Paddington St., 8.15. Judging competition in Crests and C.B. Final judge, Mr. A. Watcham. Presentation of cups and diplomas.—V. Wynn.

City of Birmingham C.B.S.—Dec. 16, Crown Hotel, 8.30. Annual meeting; nomination of officers for 1915; pay prize-money, and receive overdue subs.; members are requested to attend and return tickets unsold.—J. H. Jones.

Coventry O.S.—Dec. 16, Sydenham, 8.30.—Important.—A. Green.

Doncaster C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Black Bull, 7. Final arrangements for open show; very important.—G. Hunt.

East Ardley C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Black Swan, 3. Members' show birds staged 3; judge, Mr. S. Wilcock.—H. Cockrem.

Edinburgh C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie, 8. Financial meeting and annual report; election of office-bearers for 1915; all monies and unsold tickets for annual show to be brought to meeting.—J. C. Charlton.

Edinburgh Nor. and M.B.S.—Dec. 17, 142, High Street, 8. Financial report; election of office-bearers and other bus.—J. Stormont.

Falkirk, Grangemouth, and Bannockburn C.B.S.—Dec. 12, 60, Graham's Road, 7. General meeting; financial statement of annual show, etc.—R. Rennie.

G.E. Ry. F.A.—Dec. 15, Mechanics' Institute, Stratford, 8. Distribution of specials and prize-money; members kindly requested to settle up for tickets and any subs. still unpaid.—W. G. Rogers.

Great Horton Good Intent O.S.—Dec. 12, Grange Schools, birds staged 2.30. Judge, Mr. F. Armstrong.—A. Firth.

Great Horton O.S.—Dec. 12, Butchers' Arms, 8. Special business.—J. Holroyd.

Halifax O.S.—Dec. 12, Plummet Line Hotel, 7. Members' show, unlighted except British. Judge, Mr. J. Chambers, Leeds. Entries taken before staging.—H. Clegg.

mixing Parakeets and Finchlike birds, and in a Parakeet aviary you must be content with grass and herbage; no other plant life has any chance of existence.

FOREIGN BIRDS (Miss E. Smith).—(1a) If you mean by your query can you keep Lovebirds with Finches, etc., then such a course is inadvisable, as when such are confined with Finches, tragedies are almost certain to occur sooner or later. But I cannot be really definite as you give me no idea of the size of your aviary—a most important point. (1) Yes, always providing the birds are not overcrowded. (2) Black-checked, Red-headed, Madagascar, and Peach-faced Lovebirds have all been bred in captivity. If you read through the report of the L.C.B.A. show in our last issue you will see that not only were they shown, but they were among the prize-winners. Chances in smaller and local shows are largely governed by the wording of the schedule. (3) All should stand a reasonable chance of success providing you are in reach of shows providing classi-

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldin Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pelcin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

fication for such species. Green-billed Toucan and White-throated Thrush should certainly be probable winners. (4) Again, it is a question of classification. Foreign bird hybrids, one parent of which must be a foreign bird, had a class to themselves at L.C.B.A., and quite a number of such have been reared in captivity.

AUSTRALIAN COCKATOO (White Powder).—This is quite natural, and need cause you no anxiety. Powder-bloom exists in the plumage of most healthy specimens of many species of Parrots and Cockatoos. Do not give the bird table scraps or any slops and messes, but confine its diet to seed mixture, fruit,

Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.—Dec. 14, Headquarters, Amethyst Club, 110, Church St., Stoke Newington, 8.30. Annual show report; prize-money won at annual show was paid Oct Dec. E. R. W. Ford, Jun.

Halifax C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax, 8. Annual members' show business; closing date for names for pie supper on Dec. 17, at 7.30. Is. each.—A. Sutcliffe.

Highgate and Hampstead C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Spencer Hall. Judging competition for members, 8. Final judge, Mr. G. E. Weston. Silver medal given by the society to winner. Will members kindly settle for all tickets sold, also subs., to enable me to close books for the year.—J. Hyde.

Horsley, Wood Green C.B.S.—Dec. 12, The Nightingale Hotel, High Rd., Wood Green. Annual show, 3 to 9 p.m. Admission, 3d. Judge, Mr. H. Norman.—P. Brooks.

Laisterdyke B.F.A.—Dec. 12, Railway Hotel, 2.50. Final members' show; judge, Mr. F. Seif. W. H. Symes.

Leeds C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Lockhart's Briggate, next door to Hope Bros., 7.30. Table show of hens and nomination of officers for 1915.—E. Norton.

London Fed. of C.B. Societies.—Dec. 18, El Vino, 3, Piccadilly Place, W., 8. Delegates of affiliated societies please attend.—J. C. Birch.

Leicester Hand-in-Hand.—Dec. 15, White Swan, 8. Unlighted hens and Linnet.—A. Freestone.

Leith O.S.—Dec. 12, Liberal Club, Hope St., 7. Annual balance and report; election of office-bearers.—G. W. Brown.

Llanelli C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Important show matters in schedule, which we hope to finish at this meeting.—D. John.

Middlesex O.S.—Dec. 17, St. John's Schools, Southall, 8. Table show. Judge, Mr. P. Korke. Members bring exhibits, and enter at show. Prize money won at annual show will be paid.—J. Jeffries.

Middletown C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Old Boar's Head, 8. Special meeting re lectures, etc.; members please bring ticket money in and oblige.—J. Huilton.

North London C.B.A.—Dec. 16, Headquarters, 8. General debate.—P. M. Jeffries.

North Manchester C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Balmoral Hotel, Rochdale Road, 8. Election of officers for 1915; please attend, as we are closing our year.—A. Colley.

Perth and Rhondia Valley C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Tramway Restaurant, 7. Show bus. and other matters of importance.—J. S. Jones.

Rotherham C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Mail Coach Inn, 8. Members come and receive prize-cards and money won at annual members' show.—Taylor and Bailey.

Sheffield O.S.—Dec. 12, Foresters' Hall. Members' show, open 2. Admission 3d.—E. C. Job.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, Front St., 5.30. Drawing up schedule, etc., for members' show, Jan. 2; members and intending members please attend.—Wm. Dcdd.

Sittingbourne C.B.S.—Dec. 14, Headquarters, 7.30. General bus. for annual show.—T. Monday.

Skelmanthorpe C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Liberal Club, 8.—F. Hampshire.

Skipton C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Friendly Societies' Hall, 7.30. Balance sheet for last show and to pay out prize-money; please note alteration of meeting night.—E. Gill.

So. Shields.—Dec. 12, Cyprus, 7. All donations and ticket money must be in.—W. L. Smith.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Wharf Hotel. Annual show; birds staged 4. Judge, Mr. H. W. Walsh, Halifax. Entries, Friday night.—G. Mitchell.

Vale of Leven C.B.C.—Dec. 15, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. Discussion on pairing.—A. H. McLean.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Dec. 15, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Important that all attend. Re question of retaining headquarters, and pay in ticket money.—W. G. Andrews.

Wigan and Disal R.C.—Dec. 12, Queen's Head, 7.30. Club bus.—P. Greenall.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 16, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, W. Richmond (Rodley). Sandiford's medal for hottest fed bird. Entries, Dec. 18, 8 to 11.—Taylor and Ellis.

York C.B.S.—Dec. 14, All Saints' School-room, 8. Judging competition; members please bring a bird; Dec. 16, Club Show, Mr. A. Wake, Middlesbrough. Judge; entries close Dec. 13; no late entries please.—V. Zimmerman.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

W. T. Goord and "A Reader."—See notice at foot of column 4, page 293, in last week's issue.

H. Kay.—(1) Even if the exhibitor lives where the atmosphere is very pure, he will be at a disadvantage eventually, should he show much during the season, unless he hand-washes his birds. They get soiled, inevitably, at the shows, and whilst travelling. Some exhibitors in the country who show but little get on all right solely with baths and sprays. (2) In the Canary and Hybrid sections, pairs are permissible only in pair classes. It is allowable to exhibit small insectivorous British birds and all Foreign birds (unless, of course, the schedule specifies to the contrary) in pairs—i.e., cock and hen. (3) The room would suit very hardy birds.

C. Pearson.—An answer has been sent to your secretary. We have no objection whatever; it is a pleasure under normal circumstances.

POST MORTEMES.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.



The Extraordinary Value I am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed.

Let me prove this statement by sending any of the following: Cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 5/6, 7/5, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upward. Cages, 3d.; approval—W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

FINE Yorkshires, cocks, guaranteed full song, my winning strain, 4/-; hens, 2/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (1935)
SELL 5 pair Yorkshires, 6/- a pair; own breeding; cash or deposit; inspection invited: W. Spencer, 17, Wood End, Hebdon Bridge, Yorksh. (1927)
YORKSHIRES, grand unlighted cocks, bred from 1st Manchester, Glasgow, Leicester, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; approval: Hirst, Ramsbottom-st., Accrington. (1906)
T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)
WANTED, good long yellow ticked Yorks. cock, unlighted; exchange two good typical Yorks. hens and cash for good bird: Bridgwater, Warwick. (1930)

FANCIERS, my birds are winning at every show; I have still a good stock for sale; reasonable; write stating wants: J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, Huddersfield. (1929)
THIS year's winners. Note "Cage Birds" reports. Typical unlighted buff cocks from 7/6; buff hens from 5/6; show or stock: Craven, Yelverton-terr., Plymouth. (1912)
YORKSHIRES, coloured, few splendid birds for sale, send price prepared to pay, and requirements; no dealers: Mr. Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1918)
PEDIGREE must tell; few grand quality buff, cocks 12/6, hens 10/6; from my unlighted winning strain; satisfaction; approval: Smith, Portfield, Haverfordwest. (1928)
GOOD Yorkshires for sale, buff cock 12/6, yellow cock 10/6, 8 buff hens 2/4 each; bargain, 26/- the lot: Armstrong, 3, Clayton House, Homer-st., Marylebone, London. (1926)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, cocks from 6/-, hens 3/-, and upwards; stock or show birds on approval; cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells Yard, Mansfield, Notts. (1893)
PRIESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks from 5/-; hens from 3/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 121, Gaythorne-rd., West Bowling, Bradford. (1880)
OVERSTOCK Yorkshires, cocks, guaranteed from my winning strain, full song, 4/-; quality hens, 2/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1935)
CHAS. MORRISON, the Yorkshire Champion, has about 50 pairs Yorkshires for sale, bred from his winners, 8/6 pair, chance in lifetime; stamp reply: Clifton-rd., Brighouse. (1911)
GIVING up; some grand pairs of cup winning Yorkshires for sale, from 15/- to £1 a pair; also cages; inspection invited: William Hulme, 3, Fairhurst-st., Leigh, Lancs. (1932)
GRAND lot of Yorkshires and Norwich, guaranteed bred from my winners, from 10/6 each; no rubbish offered; cash with order; approval: Olive, Plumber, Sittingbourne. (1911)
R. TINDALE, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires; a few grand, typical, lengthy birds to dispose of cheap; approval, deposit: 6, Gill-st., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1932)
C. CATTELL, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires; whole stock for sale, including Newcastle winners; pairs from 12/6; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1936)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks from 5/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1925)
TWO yellow, two buff unlighted hens, from my winners, 7/6 each, 25/- the four; unlighted yellow or buff cocks, 12/6 each; can win: Hainford, 65, St. Quintin-av., North Kensington. (1913)
GIVEN away; smart unlighted yellow hen, 3/6; large buff hen, 4/-; unlighted yellow cock, 5/6; large marked yellow cock, 6/6; all well bred: Jeffery Jeffers, 5, Cambridge-rd., Southall. (1934)
WANTED, any quantity of Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, also cock Goldfinch Mules, for prompt cash; stamp envelope reply: Enoch Power, 91, Charter-st., Shoreditch, London, E. (1929)
H. SCLARLESWORTH has all his stock of Yorkshires for sale; can be seen any time; show or stock birds at reasonable low prices; satisfaction guaranteed or money returned: Neiley, Honley. (1929)
UNLIGHTED Yorkshire cocks, yellow and buff, best blood from this season's winners, 8/6 each; or would exchange one for really good unlighted buff hen, good strain: Ashton, Beshorpe, Newark. (1931)
HAVING bought the whole of Mr. Crisp's stock of Yorkshires, I have several very long bred yellow cocks for sale; also some good hens; approval: Knight, Beech Holt, Shefford, Cambs. (1911)
AM compelled to dispose of my winning stock at songster prices; cocks from 6/6 to 10/-; hens, 3/- to 5/- each; winner of cups East Ham 1911-12-13, Ilford bowls 1912-13: Reynolds, 40, Meads-lane, Seven Kings, Essex. (1932)
FIFTY high-class Yorkshires, bred from winners, grand, healthy birds, many of them fit to win: seen any evening; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-; approval; deposit: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (1929)
PRIZE bred Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, bred from my winners, hens 5/- upwards, cocks 7/6 upwards; cash or deposit; approval with pleasure: Hosken Bros., 85, Main-st., Heamoor, nr. Penzance, Cornwall. (1930)
TWO long, slim, snaky Yorkshire hen Canaries, 1913, reliable feeders, yellow, with good double breeding cage, cost 6/-, perfect, with hoppers, netting, lot 7/6; bargain: James, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1931)
WAR prices; buy from the breeders and save middlemen's profits; grand Yorkshire cocks, prize bred, in full song, 4/9, 5/3, 5/9, 6/3 each; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each; try one of my specially matched pairs for breeding winners at 8/6, and if you can honestly say they are not worth double I will give them for nothing; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)
YORKSHIRE hens, typical, high quality, 1914 breeding, including winners, bred from winners; twenty prizes won this season three shows; quick sale, being overstocked, 7/6 to 15/- each; few cocks, equal merit, from 13/-: Bonniwell, 63, Highlever-rd., North Kensington. (1927)

HAVING sold my worst to dealers I have several long, stylish yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks left, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6; good hens, 3/6, 5/-; inspection invited; approval: Whiting, Ravensbury, Morden-rd., Mitcham, Surrey. (1925)
CHAMPION Yorkshires, 1914, clear buff cock, grand long, good shaped birds, 15/-; 1914 clear buff hen, gem, 12/0; several others from my winners; cheap; approval: Ernest Radley, Paradise-sq., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield, Yorks. (1920)
GREEN-MARKED buff Yorkshire cock, red hot colour, winner of 10 1sts and can win yet, with a lovely yellow hen to match, 1914 bred winner; price 50/- the pair to clear; giving up; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)
GRAND Buff Yorkshire cock, a real stock bird, 7in. long, feathered like pot, won at 1st Feather Shows, with a lovely yellow hen to match, also winner; war price to clear, 20/-; worth double; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)
YORKSHIRES, noted winning strain, few cocks, fit for exhibition, 12/6 upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock birds, can breed winners, from 10/- to 40/-; matched pairs, 10/-, 15/- upwards; few cocks, 6/6 each; approval, deposit: John Radley, 259, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. (1935)

ODDEN BROS.
 WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (1930)

JOE HARROP'S
 You cannot do better if in want of birds of high Origin, good quality, length, type, and position. I recommend this strain as fit for any fancier. Keep this in mind, and if requiring a Yorkshire Send at once and I will satisfy your desires. Hens 10/- upwards; cocks, 20/- upwards; pairs proportionate: 17, Waller-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (1910)

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES
 Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs; cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 30/- each; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages, 2/- each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

9 FIRSTS, 6 SECONDS
 four 2rds, etc.; silver cup best in show, and numerous special. This is a record of my wins on November 21st, at Bradford National, Halifax and Glasgow. All in the keenest competition. If you require a winner, kindly state wants. I guarantee to please you. I also have some grand pairs, same strain exactly as above winners, at 8/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-, and a few extra good pairs at 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair. Inspection invited at any time, or birds sent approval any distance. If you want to breed your own winners, place your orders with the old reliable breeder, who breeds his own winners year after year, and can therefore give you the very best value for your money: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaries, 16, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1892)

T. C. CRAWHALL
 winner two years in succession points trophy N.Y.C.C. competition; this year, challenge cup for best bird bred by exhibitor; see report; also winner at Palace, Bradford National, L.C.B.A., Newcastle, this year; single birds from 5/-, pairs 12/6 upwards; approval, deposit: 121, St. George's-terrace, Jesmond, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1923)

Various Canaries.
WANTED to purchase, all kinds of Canaries, cheap for cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (1930)
CHARMING Christmas presents, 1914 hen Canaries, 3/6 each; fine, strong birds; travelling cage, 6d.: Shelton, Torquay.
SINGING Canaries; cocks, 4/6; hens, 1/9; shops supplied; special terms: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1932)
TWO Crystal Palace aviaries, 5/6, 12/6, good condition, cock Canaries, 6/6, singing: King, 12, Carisbrook-rd., Walthamstow. (1930)
1914 NORWICH cocks, clear, yellows; also Yorkshire cocks, in green, yellow, marked and buff green marked, 5/- each: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaries, Wadsworth, Healden Bridge. (1886)
THREE good Norwich cocks, 6/- each, hens 2/6, pairs 8/-; 2 Norwich cinnamon hens, 2/6 each; good Grey-crest cock, 8/6; all typical young birds: Alfred Peters, Panton Hall, Wragby, Lines. (1929)
MR. J. SCOTT, who is at the Front, has asked me to sell his young birds for him, cocks from 10/-, hens 5/- each, from same strain as last year's winners: Jos. Kilshaw, 5, Orn-st., Bolton.
FOR sale, 4 unlighted varieg. and clear buff cocks, one rose bowl winner, one first and special at Glasgow West-end show, price from 10/- to 50/-: Tawse, Police Station, Dumfries, Dumfriesshire. (1921)
FOR sale, Norwich, Roller and Yorkshire Canaries (cocks or hens); give good value in exchange for Palace aviary; pairs small Foreign birds, show cage and case: Walkden, 8, Kirkhall-lane, Leigh, Lancs. (1926)
HUMPHRIES' strain; large unlighted variegated buff cock, 20/-; clear yellow unlighted cock, 10/6; 1913 variegated yellow hen, 15/-; clear buff ditto, 15/-; exceptional value: Robinson, 73, Holgate-rd., York. (1922)
THE whole of my stock for sale; Norwich, Borders, Crests, and Cinnamons, also show cages and travelling cases; must clear, no fancy prices; state wants; approval: R. Rowell, 70, West-row, Bebside, Northumberland. (1932)
PARKHEAD winners for sale: 2nd, buff cock, 15/-; 3rd, buff cock, 12/6; 4th, unlighted ticked buff cock, 12/6; 3rd, variegated buff hen, 10/-; 6th, unlighted buff hen, 7/6; also typical buff cock, 10/-: Gilmore, 752, London-rd., Glasgow. (1929)
CANARIES, couldn't be better; warranted for singing or breeding, working-man's price; Yorkshire and Norwich cock, 8/6 or 12/6 pair, not as advertised from 12/6 and upwards, but one price; inspection invited: H., 168, Robertson-st., Clapham. (1931)

EXCEPTIONAL OFFER
COCK Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, healthy and in song, with solid brass suspend hanging cage, glass panelled and highly finished, 10/6; easy payments taken: Hope, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1900)



Yorkshires & Norwich
 Extra good, smart, lengthy Yorkshire cocks, at 5/6, 7/-, 8/-, 10/6, 12/6 each, on full song. Pairs matched to breed winners at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair. In Cleans, Green Marked, and Cinnamon Marked, and all cold-room kept, colour-fed and natural colour. Typical racy hens at 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/5 each. Also good stock of large cobby Norwich at same prices as Yorkshires. Specially selected Yorkshire or Norwich songsters at 5/-, 7/-, 8/6, 10/6 each, day and gaslight songsters. Exhibition Yorkshires and Norwich (cocks or hens), at 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each, worth three times these prices offered at. **Easy Payments:** Birds sent off at once on receiving first payment. Send for Illustrated Price List, and my terms, post free. Export orders a speciality, and safe arrival guaranteed to any part of the world. Travelling cages, 3d. extra. Terms: Seven days' approval.

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R. HEGGIE
 has a fine lot of cocks and hens for sale, including winners. On 28th November and 5th December I won 20 1sts, 16 seconds and many other specials, including cup and challenge rose bowl; state wants and price: 27, McLennan-st., Mount Florida, Glasgow. (1930)

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES
 5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

THERE ARE SONGSTERS AND SONGSTERS
 remember, and I say I possess the largest and best collection of such in the world; extra early hatched, and caged off singly; pure-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Mules, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, Bird Specialist, Norwich.

MULES-HYBRIDS.

WANTED, Mules, both sex: Chas. Palmer and Sons, Bird Dept., 68, Selater-st., Shoreditch.
GRAND Linnets Mules, cocks singing, 6/-; hens 1/-; seen any time: Iredale, 75, Clive-ter., Horton Grange-rd., Bradford. (1930)
DARK Siskin Mule cock, colour fed, with show cage, 10/6, cash or deposit: Pirrie, Park Place, Linwood, Paisley. (1932)
FOR sale, four Goldfinch Mules, £1 each; also two 10/- each; worth double: A. Moodie, Black Horse Inn, Creetown. (1850)
SIX Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 6/-; six warranted cock Canaries, 4/- each; take 27/- the dozen: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1930)
SUPERIOR cock Goldfinch Mule, 1913 bred; big, fine bird grand songster, price 8/6: Harrison, St. Mark's-st., Leeds. (1924)
SISKIN-CANARY Mule for sale on full song, or exchange for house-moulded Goldfinch: Jones, 17, Arthur-st., Aberavon. (1930)
LIGHT Goldfinch Mules, one even marked wings, other uneven, 30/-, 40/-, grand birds, win anywhere: Botting, Billericay, Essex. (1932)
HAND-REARED cock Goldfinches, bred Mules, price 6/6, 7/6, and 8/6 each: Sandiford's, 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London; also Preston, Lancs.
TWO yellow sib hens, pedigree strain, medium size, Norwich type; exchange large I.M. Siberian Goldie, or sell: H., 24, Jenner-rd., Stoke Newington. (1928)
NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnets Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1852)
FINE dark C.F. 1914 cock Goldfinch Mule, 6/6; two splendid hen Bullies, 1/- each; net single breeder, 2/9: Hubbard, North Kilworth, Rugby. (1928)
YELLOW cock Goldfinch Mule, colour-fed, 10/6; yellow hen, bred Mules, 4/-; yellow cock, bred double yellow, 5/6; Dawson, Blyburgate, Beccles. (1924)
HYBRIDS: Bred 1913, 1914, five Goldfinch-Greenfinches, four Goldfinch-Redpolls, rare chance for exhibitors; also Goldfinch Mules: Williams, junr., 18, Egin-st., Kirkcaldy. (1911)
TO connoisseurs, pair lovely Goldfinches, 10/6; two beautiful Greenfinch cocks, 4/6 each; all warranted hand-reared, for Hybrid or Mule breeding; particulars: J. Derrick, Holwell, Frome. (1930)
LARGE muling cock Greenfinch and good yellow hen Canary, 2/6 pair; also a large muling cock Linnets and yellow hen Canary, 2/6 pair; both bargains, or exchange: Vernon, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1935)
COCK Greenfinch, hen Bullie, have bred, 7/6; hen Bullie, laid eggs, 3/6; Chaffinch, cock, winner, show cage and hen Greenfinch, 8/6; Sih. hens, bred light Mules, 7/6: Groom, Longnor Hall, Shrewsbury. (1931)
DARK yell. Siskin Mule, 1st L.C.B.A. show; light yell. Goldie Mule, 5th, 18 weeks old, make a topper; also a tip-top Goldie, will be fit for the Palace; enclose stamp for full particulars: Andrews, Weston, Olney, Bucks. (1932)
EXHIBITORS—The largest stock of Bullfinches in Staffordshire; cocks, 1/3, 1/6; hens, 9d., 1/-; Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/6; one extra good all round specimen, 5/-; approval before payment: G. Perrins, 26, Lennox-rd., Longton, Staffs. (1932)
LINNET, Goldfinch, Siskin, and Greenfinch Mules, cocks, in song, pure wild notes, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each; hen Mules, 1/6; grand lot Sib. bred Canaries and muling birds, see special list free on application: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1916)
EXHIBITORS! Cock Goldfinch Mule, rich clear yellow, except wings, little marked on head, £1 3/-; another cock, buff body, dark wings, 15/-; cash or deposit: CAGE BIRDS; approval; offers in cash and exchange Canaries: Lyons, Corbally, Limerick. (1922)
GOLDFINCH-GREENFINCH (cock), 12/6; Goldfinch-Linnets (cock), 10/-; Goldfinch-Twits, 5/-; Goldfinch Mule, dark yellow, 10/6; ditto buff, 7/6; Greenfinch Mule, yellow, 10/-; fine buff ditto, 7/6; Siskin mule, 7/6; all 1914; excellent colour and condition; also some fine superior Norwich Canaries, cheap; approval; deposit: Apply, D. E. Alexander, Newspaper Proprietor, Bangor, Down. (1922)

HYBRID breeding: A small stud of British, all three times house-moulded, exhibition Goldfinch, very large, 15/-; large Greenfinch, 5/-; hen Greenfinch, 5/-; Mealy Redpoll, 5/-; all the above are breeders, a most promising hen Chaffinch, laid this twice, 5/-; extra large yellow green Canary for dark Mule breeding, 12/-; Sib. bred hen, bred variegated Mules, 8/-; one of the largest variegated Linnets Mules, winner of several prizes, 15/-; another good dark, 10/-: Bastock. See Norwich. (1923)

WANTED
 any quantity cock or hen Goldfinch Mules, best prices given; send on: Sandiford, 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

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 If so, I have Light and Dark Mules and Hybrids that have won and can win again easily; also a lot of singing Goldfinch and Linnets Mules, choice muling hens, 2/6, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; cage, 3d.; approval: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

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FOREIGN BIRDS.

BUDGERIGARS, 3/6; breeders, 4/- pair; cash offers per 100: F. Hill, Southwold. (1931)
GREEN Budgerigars for sale, in perfect condition, 4/6 pair: H., 192, Worple-rd., Wimbledon. (1901)
RED Rosella, cock, outdoor, grand condition, 25/-; approval, deposit: Dolphin, Bentley-lane, Walsall. (1924)
TWENTY pairs Budgerigars from out-door aviary, big birds, yellows 8/6, greens 5/6 pair: Harding, 9, Gresham-st., Leicester. (1903)
BUDGERIGARS, Green, outdoor aviary bred; adult breeding pairs, 5/-: Tom Overton, New Brighton, Cottingham, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1914)
RED and Grey Parrot and cage, in perfect health and condition, finger tame, accept 12/6; approval; deposit: 20, Lawrence-st., York. (1925)
BEAUTIFUL red-collared Lorikeet, winner, on Canary seed, 60/-, or exchange Gouldians: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1933)
PARROT, talk, whistle, dance, never swears, lovable pet, cause roars of laughter, 35/-, including cage: Copp, Wardrobe Stores, Dartford. (1933)
BEAUTIFUL Green, Yellow, Red and Blue Amazon Parrot, talks, with cage; Cockatiels, Budgerigars, cheap: Mrs. Gilbert, Shadoxhurst, Kent. (1927)
BUDGERIGARS, finest possible, outdoors, 5/- pair; selected breeding pairs 6/-; yellows 8/-; list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (1923)
REAL African Grey King Parrot, thoroughly tamed, mated, in perfect condition, good plain talker, £9 10s.: Binch, 71, Aruudle-drive, Maudslayi, Notts. (1924)

MAGNIFICENT pair Black-headed Gouldians, fine condition; first Chichester, second Brighton, 1913; from cold room; 42/-: Longland, 66, East-st., Chichester. (1927)
STRONG young Budgerigars, bred and living in wire net-aviary with unheated shed; hens 8/6, cocks 12/6, pairs 5/6; also two cock Ringnecks, same aviary, 7/6 each: Miller, Broomhouse, Glasgow. (1923)
ACCLIMATISED, Vinaceous Fire Finch cock, real gem, 40s.; lovely cock Blue Grosbeak, 37/6; hen Gold-breasts, 1/6; offers, or exchange other species, must be good specimens: F. Howe, 54, Thomas-st., Wellington. (1934)
COCK Indian Shama, house mounded, perfect, grand songster, 40/-; cock Japanese Nightingale, house-mounded, fit keenest competition, 10/-; African Grey Parrot, extra plain talker, mimic and whistler, with large cage, £5: E. Walters, 102, Front-st., West Auckland. (1923)
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EXCEPTIONALLY tame Grey Parrot and large square cage, talks, whistles, climbs around outside cage, comes on hand, clean and healthy, 30/-; exchange gramophone and records, or 10/- cash and silver watch and chain or gold Albert: Crompton, 6, Spruce-st., Rochdale. (1923)
COCK Shama, perfect, with show cage, can win in the keenest competition, perfect songster, 70/-; true pair Saffron Finches, 12/6; true pair White-bellied Nonettes, 12/6; cock Ruddy Finch, 10/-; cock Cockatiel, 10/-; hen Parakeet, 10/-; Barbary Doves, 2/6 pair; approval: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1931)
AUSTRALIAN Parakeets, imported direct King, 2nd Horticultural Hall, further exportation prohibited, £10; Barnard's, £4; mealy Rosella, £3; Pennant's, full colour, £2; Red Rosella, 25/- each; Budgerigars, 1st and special Horticultural Hall, 30/- pair; others from 10/6 pair; selected for exhibition; illustrated magazine article describing my birds, 2d.; see last week's advt. for other stock: John Frostick, Naturalist and Importer, 50, Bounding-bury-rd., Baltham. (1933)

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VARIOUS BIRDS.

GOLDFINCH Mule, 7/6; cock and hen Canaries, 6/-; h.m. Goldfinch, 3/6; Bevan, Victoria-rd., Cambridge. (1928)
 L. C. BANHAM, Aviaris, East Lexham, Swaffham, Norfolk; Goldfinches, 3/6 pair; Redpolls, 1/-; Siskins, 4/6; Canaries, 6/-; exchange hen Bullfinches.
 TWO 1914 cock Yorkshires, 5/- each; hen, 2/-; twice h.m. mulling Redpoll, 3/-; seed-dressing machines, 6/-; exchange for Goldfinch Mules: Charles Lee, 79, North-st., Stanground, Peterboro. (1928)
 EDWARD DUDLEY, "Hazeldene," Wrekin-rd., Wellington, Salop, has for disposal grand mulling Goldfinch, now in pink of condition, bargain at 15/-; also a few high-class Norwich for sale; approval. (1928)
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WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and British birds; best prices paid: Barnes, Aviaris, Merthyr Tydfil. (1867)
 WANTED good sound target rifle; approval, particulars, and lowest price: 9, Drummond-st., Inverness. (1936)
 WANTED, Rose Cockatoo or Parrot, cheap for cash: Mrs. Lewis Jones, 11a, Princess-st., Aberystwyth. (1929)
 WANTED, Goldfinches and Bullfinches from catcher: W. Johnson, Bird Expert, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1933)
 LAYING pullets, Parrots, singing Canaries, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaris, Greenwich. (1933)
 WANTED, any quantity of British birds; state price: Thomas Hughes, Bird Merchant, Saltley-rd., Birmingham. (1933)
 WANTED for cash, Canaries or Mules, either sex; state lowest price: Robinson, 33, Besson-st., New Cross, London. (1932)
 WANTED, good buff green or variegated cock, must have good head: Mrs. Jas. Banks, 51, Balhousie-st., Perth, Scotland. (1910)
 WANTED all kinds Canaries and other birds for export: Emporium, 176b, High-st., Camden Tube Station, London. (1910)
 WANTED good Crested hen Canary; exchange Crystal Palace shape aviary, or sell 17/6: Fortnum, Delrow, Watford. (1926)
 WANTED, 1914 yellow Norwich cock; exchange 6 prize-bred Yorkshire hens, 30/-; approval: Norman, 4, Clayton-st., Easton, Bristol. (1929)
 WANTED, anything to value: toy crane, 1/6; doll's swing boat, 2/6; transport waggon, 3/-; Dimbley, Austin-st., Stamford. (1922)
 WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets, all kinds of British: Chris. Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1932)
 WILL give 3 young German hens or 3 hen Bullfinches for singing Canary or Mule: Steele, 23, Park-pl., City-rd., Hulme, Manchester. (1930)
 WANTED, hen Mules and Canaries, cheap for cash, will give new boots or shoes in exchange: Mrs. Cooper, 3, Clifford-st., Oxford-rd., Manchester. (1922)
 WANTED, good Seifert Roller cock; exchange exhibition yellow Siskin Mule (rung), or sell, 10/6; approval: Nicholas, Margaret-st., Pentre, Rhonda. (1924)
 WANTED, a weekly supply of cock Goldfinches, Linnets, Larks and all kinds of Canaries and Mules and Parrots: Taylor, Bird Stores, Butest., Treherbert. (1851)
 WANTED, Canary in song or Goldfinch Mule; exchange two Border hens, buff and yellow, Robson's strain: Pace, 111, Haggerston-rd., Dalston, London. (1931)
 WANTED, offers for pair first-prize Yorkshires, £1 selling class, Bedford; three Canary-reared hen Goldfinches, 2/- lot: Dimmock, Market-square, Leighton Buzzard. (1935)

WANTED house-moulted British, exchange good Yorkshires, Norwich, and Muling hens, or sell cheap. Stamp reply: Hannah, 373, Main-st., Bonhill, Dumbartonshire. (1911)

NOTICE, wanted, Goldfinch Mules, Linnet Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, from catchers: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. Letters only. (1905)

GOOD Borders, exchange gent.'s overcoat, good condition, chest 37; also 18 parts, unbound, "Living Races Mankind"; birds first: Grant, 78, St. Leonard's-place, Dufferinline. (1935)

WANTED, good British from catchers weekly, state prices cash per return of post; Bankers, London, City and Midland, Bradford: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)

WANTED, all kinds cage birds; cash or exchange; Foreign Birds, Pullet, Bantams, Rabbits, puppies; state offers, wants: Simmonds, Aviaris, 64, Stean-st., Haggerston, London. (1925)

WANTED, Border Canaries for cash or in exchange for gold-plated double curb alhort, cost 25/-, never been worn, grand Christmas present; on approval: Dunn, 19, Melville-st., Lincoln. (1927)

WANTED, offers for nine pairs cinnamon Borders, also pair Norwich, either single, pairs, or in one lot; all bred as my winners; mostly young birds; room wanted: Buglass, 63, Lochend-rd. West, Edinburgh. (1932)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets; reasonable for cash: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1924)

OFFERS for 20 Budgerigars, most hens, 40/- lot; also 10 hen Canaries, 2/- each; Linnet Mule, 5/-; good cock Linnets, 1/6 each; offers in poultry, other Foreigners, Goldfinch cocks or Bullie hens, or anything; cash or deposit; yours first; honest dealings guaranteed: Bisset's Aviaris, Trinity House, Leven, Fife. (1924)

WANTED, 5,000

Norwich and Yorkshire cock Canaries, colour-fed, must be in song, will give 4/6 each for good type birds; also will give 4/6 each for cock Goldfinch Mules, in full song; stamped envelope, reply: Enoch Power, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

18/- per dozen for Yorkshires and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or puppies; cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

WANTED

Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Siskins, Bramblefinches, Yellowhammers, Snow Buntings, Redpolls, Goldfinch Mules, Jays, Hawfinches, also any kind of Parrots bought for spot cash; only honest dealings done to senders; stamped envelope for reply, stating lowest prices, also will take any quantity weekly; banker's references if required, or Editor: Enoch Power, Largest and Greatest Importer of British Birds in Great Britain, 91, Sclater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

FRED ALLEN will exchange good British for Canaries, Mules, etc.: 150, Porter-st., Hull. (1933)
 SIX champion call birds, pack bag, and store cage, 20/-; exchange anything: Bruce, 155, Scotland Green-rd., Ponders End. (1930)
 EXCHANGE h.m. cock Corn Bunting, show bird, for unfledged Norwich yellow hen: R. Baron, 46, Haughton-rd., Hooley Hill. (1931)
 EXCHANGE three rich coloured cock Bullies, three large cock Linnets, for large 1914 Crestbred cock: H. Pinnell, Warminster. (1925)
 TWO Redpolls, pulls seed and water, and cages, exchange cock Canary, anything: J. Needham, King-st., Clown, Chesterfield. (1928)
 WILL give large cock Goldfinch, fit to win, for left-off overcoat; approval anywhere: Rathbone, 29, Horsemarket, Northampton. (1927)
 SALE or exchange, Greenfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid, also Light and Dark Mules: Bridson, Ivy Cottage, Castletown-rd., Douglas, Man. (1923)
 DARK yellow C.F. cock Siskin-Canary Mule, exchange good cock Linnet or Goldfinch; approval: Gregory, 51, Bright-st., Ilkeston. (1930)
 WELSH cock Goldfinches, 3/- and 4/- each; wanted, good cocks, Siskins, Bramblefinch, offers: Close, 32, Duffryn-st., Mountain Ash, Glam. (1927)
 WILL anyone exchange singing Roller cock for variegated Goldfinch Mule cock, 1914 prize-winner? -Hunter, Kinnegar, Holywood, Down. (1933)
 NORWICH cock, Bullfinch cock, 10/6; exchange cycle tyre, 28 by 13, anything useful; yours first: Tolley, Highlands, Woldingham, Surrey. (1933)
 GRAND cock Bullfinch, sure winner, lovely pet, excellent call bird; exchange for songster, anything: James, Steens Bridge, Leominster. (1934)
 JOHN DAY will exchange high-class British or Scandinavian Bullfinches or Goldfinches for Canaries, Mules, etc.: Tho Aviaris, Porter-st., Hull. (1930)
 THREE cock Goldfinch Mules, Finch song, 7/- each; exchange one for good house-moulted Goldfinch: Evans, 33, Upper High-st., Rhymney, Mon. (1924)
 WANTED, young Bullie Hybrid cock; give in exchange high-class Norwich Canaries to the value of £3 to £4: Welsh, 42, Reform-st., Stamford. (1924)
 EXCHANGE large h.m. cock Bramble for long unfledged yellow Yorkshire or Norwich hen; mutual approval: Sharp, 8, Upper Sturges-st., Bradford. (1924)
 CLEARING, 3 cock Linnets, 2 cock Chaffinches, good birds, on song, lot 6/6; exchange Border Fancy, Softbill songster, or offers: 31, Wilcox-rd., S.W. (1935)
 EXHIBITORS: Thrush 15/-, Mealy 15/6, Skylark, 5/-, pair Greens 45/-, pair Norwich 45/6, Rosella 30/6; exchange: Edward Williams, Mountvernon-rd., Liverpool. (1924)
 WANTED, good exhibition British or big Norwich hens for muling, will exchange house-moulted Siberian Goldfinch: Burke, 5, Ashworth-st., Hollenwood. (1924)
 HAND-REARED cock Song Thrush, singing, 4/-; two double, two single breeding cages, new, 20/-; exchange common fowls, Canaries: Rendle, 21, Bridge-st., Homerton. (1933)
 EXCHANGE 1 exhibition house and field moulted Redpolls, also Greypate and H.M. cock Siskin, for 2 yellow Norwich hens, 1914; yours first: W. J. Harper, Glennan House, Fort William. (1936)
 EXCHANGE six cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch Mules or four hen Canaries, or any other kind of British exchanged for Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Pollard-row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (1917)

WILL exchange pair Borders, 2 Linnet, 1 Goldfinch, mules, hens, for 2 Sib. bred hens, or sell 10/- lot; also 2 cock Goldfinch mules, 5/- each: Peter Rutherford, 3, Wallace Green, Berwick-on-Tweed. (1929)

Mainly Canaries.

WANTED, double breeders, not less than 30x16; exchange Crestbred cock Canaries: McNaughton, Alue, Yorks. (1928)

EXCHANGE 3 hens and 1 cock Yorkshires for Border show cages: Furness, 218, Chestnut-st., Hirst, Northumberland. (1922)

CRESTS, matched pair (1913) 25/-, or exchange for two unlighted Norwich hens: Weir, 6, Piershill-terr., Edinburgh. (1922)

GOLD-CAPPED Lizard cock, unfledged, 8/6; or exchange two good Goldies: Hyue, 160, Avenue-rd., Itchen, Southampton. (1928)

FOUR pairs Yorkshires, 7/6 pair; or exchange poultry or offers: Thos. Greenwood, 6, Cross Lanes, Hebden Bridge, Yorks. (1926)

THREE Cinnamon Border hens, 3/6 each; exchange yellow Cinnamon marked Border cock; mutual approval: 126, Lee-rd., S.E. (1925)

EXCHANGE grand buff Yorkshire cock for good cycle tyre, wired, 28 x 13, sell 12/6; offers: Faircy, Colenso-st., West Hartlepool. (1931)

EXCHANGE green-pied Scotch Fancy cock for Glucke Roller cock, rolling song: Dent, 19, Loves Beechurn, Crook, Durham. (1925)

EXCHANGE Roller Canaries for cycle tyres, boots, leather, or anything useful; offers: Jukes, 36, Park-st., Bridgton, Staffs. (1929)

EXCHANGE three hen Canaries and breeding cage for 1914 cock Canary or Goldfinch Mule: Harlock, 44, Green-avenue, West Ealing. (1923)

EXCHANGE four good hen Canaries for three cock Goldfinches on hard seed; Goldies first: T. Lister, Station-rd., Leven, Fife. (1933)

YELLOW variegated Norwich cock, brother to my 1st prize winner Wisbech Open Show, 20/-; exchange pullets: Breeze, Littleport. (1926)

YELLOW cock, splendid type and quality, 10/-, or exchange unfledged yellow hen and 3/6 cash: Whittle, 7, Junction-st., Barnsley. (1924)

TWO pairs high-class Border fancy Canaries, breeding cage; exchange good Parrot and cage: Kirkpatrick, 28, West Tower-st., Carlisle. (1923)

SABLE Pomeranian toy bitch, excellent pedigree, sell 25/-, or exchange Canaries; see Norwich: W. Stafford, 47, Winfred-rd., Stockport. (1924)

WANTED, large unfledged Cinnamon cock, good head; exchange Norwich or Yorkshires, pairs 15/-; approval: Hornsby, Long-row, Page Bank. (1923)

SELL or exchange grand cock buff Yorkshire, Ogen's strain, for exhibition cock Hybrid, 20/-; V. Lomer, Ashdene, Regents Park, Southampton. (1924)

EXCHANGE new double-breeder (48x16x12) and buff Yorkshire cock for good yellow Yorkshire cock, or offers: E. S. Eastmens, Ford, Wivelescombe, Som. (1930)

FOUR Norwich, four Yorkshires (cocks), exchange good revolver, Amberol records; offers, yours first: A. Pritchard, Woodham Mortimer, Maldon, Essex. (1931)

EXCHANGE Goldfinch cock, yellow Crest-bred hen, for big unfledged Yorkshire cock; bred Mules this year; or sell, 10/-: R. Barber, Draycott, Derbyshire. (1930)

ONE pair of Norwich yellows, cost 25/-, sell 14/-; two pairs of Andeanburg Rollers, sell 13/6; exchange lot: Ralph Seaman, New Brighton, near Mold. (1924)

WANTED, good British Hardbills; exchange high-class Yorkshires, from my winners at all leading shows: North, Canary Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)

WILL exchange three variegated Norwich cocks for good cycle covers, 28x13 beaded, Palmers preferred, or offers household, value 22/6: Wm. Outram, Chesterfield-rd., Dronfield. (1927)

NORWICH; will exchange good birds, colour-fed, for anything useful; all letters answered; or will sell 10/- to 17/6 a pair; sent on approval: Hendle, 442, Garratt-lane, Wandsworth. (1933)

A FEW cup strain Norwich, Crested, and young Seifert Rollers, good songsters; what offers in old gold, silver watches, or jewellery; approval: Mayhew, Jeweller, Bury St. Edmunds. (1929)

PAIR Rollers, cock full song; exchange good typical Norwich hens; two mulling couples, Goldie and Linnet, Linnet bred this year; sell 12/6, or offers: Goodman, Villa, Lamphay, Pcm. (1925)

WILL exchange two good 1914 Crestbreds, cock and hen, for two good 1913 buff marked Norwich hens; one cock Canary, for egg-mill and seed-mill: Sykes, Ealand, Crowle, Doncaster. (1924)

WANTED, one pair Canaries, Norwich; will give in exchange a Green Parrot and cage; also want pair Yorkshires, or Crests, or Rollers: Foote, Chapel-st., Yetminster, Sherborne, Dorset. (1924)

LOVELY Green Parrakeet, 15/-; pair Crests, 30/-; Crest cock, 7/6, two grand pairs Yorkshires, 15/- pair; Borders, 7/6; exchange large Scotch Fancies or Cinnamons: A. March, Evesham. (1934)

TWENTY-SIX Borders, cock 6/-, hens 2/6; yellows, buffs and greens; exchange foreign and colonial stamps; send stamps registered I will make good offer: Joplin, 7a, Wisteria, Lewisham. (1921)

WANTED all varieties Canaries, also British and Foreign birds and Mules; will give good exchange in Norwich, Yorkshire, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1924)

NORWICH, Cinnamons and Border Fancies, winners and stock birds each variety, cheap; exchange British, any kind, for show, or fresh caught: Calvert, 4, Morson-terr., Oxhill, Stanley, Durham. (1925)

PLATE Frena camera, in case, holds 40 flat films, 30/-; miniature rifle, with sling, autophic, bead, and open sights, 50/-; exchange exhibition Mules, Hybrids, or Norwich: Meek, Vicarage, Hunstanton. (1922)

Mainly Foreign.

GREY Parrot, Rose-breasted, says "Kiss Polly," "Hello! Polly," "Scratched Polly," "Polly, Polly," whistles, sings, shakes hands, perch on finger, 50/-; very tame, or exchange for Green Amazon or African Grey, red tail, must be talking, good bird, healthy; each bird approval 4 days: F. Crowther, Post Office, Fryston, Castleford. (1926)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE Daisy air-rifle for double breeding cage: Staves, 79, Aldwark-rd., Parkgate, Rotherham. (1928)
 EXCHANGE Indian Green Parrot for Roller, in song; yours first: Brown, 2, Flora-st., Barry. (1930)
 ONE string fiddle, fine tone, for sale, 3 6/-; exchange birds or cages, live stock: 3, Mansfield-st., Gateshead. (1927)

BIKE, free-wheel, good tyres, 24 frame, Rollers, or offers: Lancaster, 29, Roseneath place, Wortley, Leeds. (1932)

FOX Terrier pups, 3 months, dog 7/6, bitch 5/-; exchange Norwich Canaries: W. P. Adams, High-st., Yurm. (1929)

SALE or exchange a good rough-hair Fox Terrier for Linnet cages: Jonah Ball, 11, Rydal-st., Leigh, Lancashire. (1931)

EXCHANGE good pedigree race birds for Canaries, or anything useful: J. Waterfield, 34, Halford-st., Smeethwick. (1922)

EXCHANGE cock Canary on full song for house-moulted cock Goldfinch or Siskin: Jones, 17, Arthur-st., Aberavon. (1929)

LARGE Norwich cock, 3 Roller hens, for 2 pairs twill sheets, or offers: Mawson, Charles-st., Swinton, Rotherham. (1925)

MANDOLINE and case, in good condition, sell 15/-; exchange anything useful: Creaser, Views-terrace, Pickering, Yorks. (1924)

EDISON gem phonograph, 14 records, 22/6; or exchange good violin, no live stock: Hills, High-st., Mildenhall, Suffolk. (1929)

EXCHANGE for Budgerigars, Canaries or British, pair new's strong boots, new; offers: Baker, 1, Watery-lane, Preston. (1930)

EXCHANGE three prize-bred Tumblers for dozen selected cock Linnets or Britishers: Wall, 26, The Mead, Street, Somerset. (1929)

EXCHANGE £7 7s. phonograph for live stock, jewellery, talking Parrot, anything; or sell cheap: Robb, Crossgates, Fife. (1932)

NIGHT Lark net, hand made, price 12/6, cost 20/6 in making; or exchange good British: North, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1934)

EXCHANGE Sandow's developer, new condition, cost 12/6, for cock Canary or offers, to Potts, 59, Firthside-st., Fraserburgh. (1922)

EXCHANGE cock Canary for lady's shoes, 5/-, or anything useful, household or personal: Collins, Morehard Bishop, North Devon. (1931)

NORWICH cocks 7/6, hens 3/-; Goldfinch Mule cock 8/-, full song; exchange anything useful: Green, Navigation-rd., Chelmsford. (1924)

LADY'S gold watch, rolled gold chain; exchange cock Canaries, cock Mules, singing: Tomson, 111, High-rd., Willcuden Green. (1934)

EDISON Standard phonograph and 45 records, 25/6; 1 house-moulted hen Chaffinch; offers exchange: S. Allsopp, Carcroft, Doncaster. (1923)

EXCHANGE two pair good Yorkshire Canaries, cock Siskins, hen Bullfinches, cock Goldfinches; approval: Smith, 2, Duke-st., Arbroath. (1926)

PERFECTION oil-heater, cost 17/6, good condition exchange for a good Roller cock: Leonard Mann, 150, Portland-st., Walworth, London. (1932)

LOCKSTITCH treadle sewing-machine, good order, sell 25/-, or exchange fresh-caught British, or offers: George, 519, Harrow-rd., London. (1932)

EXCHANGE cock Canaries to value for black Pomeranian puppy, or sell 5/-, 7/6, and 10/6: Read, Newbury-st., Gillingham, Dorset. (1931)

EXCHANGE piano harp and paraffin oil stove for British or Foreign birds: Mackirdy, 83, Alexander-st., Alexandria, Dumbartonshire. (1923)

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GRAND pedigree Wolf Sable toy Pom. dog, sell or part exchange, grand coat, free from vice: Ross, 163, Gowan-st., Arbroath. (1924)
 SPLENDID hand-reared, full plumage Maggie; exchange cock Canary in song, or pair Budgerigars: S. Wright, Goldhill, Shaftesbury. (1925)
 WHAT offers in Canaries, British, small Foreign for 4-plate Pilot hand camera, sell 12/-, nearly new: Marriott, North-st., March. (1930)
 EXCHANGE pair Norwich Canaries, 1914, for jacket and vest, chest 38in., or anything: Howarth, 16, Hall-st., Whitworth, nr. Rochdale. (1924)
 SALE or exchange lady's silver watch, also pair opera glasses for cage birds; yours first: Taylor, 12, Corporation-st., Merthyr Tydfil. (1929)
 200 CANDLE-power oil stove, suitable for a bird-room or office, for double-sided records: Watson, Cherry Tree-lane, North Walsham. (1931)
 EXCHANGE pure-bred White Leghorn cock, 1914, for pair Yorkshire Canaries, or sell 10/6: Henry, 13, King Edward-rd., Ponders End. (1928)
 BRASS timepiece, double alarm, on stand, recently cost 12/6; exchange good Roller; yours first: Johnston, Balcuirie, Windygates, Fife. (1923)
 YORKSHIRE Terrier dog, good pedigree, 25/-; and 4 cock Bullfinches, 2/- each; exchange poultry, large Canaries: Shirley, Sutton, Keighley. (1933)
 EXCHANGE six ivory-handled knives and pen-knife for one cock or three hen Canaries or British: Marsden, 175, St. Philip's-rd., Sheffield. (1934)
 EXCHANGE pedigree Scotch terrier bitch, 8 months, for singing bird or suit length, sale 15/-: R. Samson, 15, Well Green, Stirling. (1926)
 SEVERAL good stacks breeding cages, sell very cheap, exchange anything useful; enquiries invited: Omion, Sir Rowland Hill, Nottingham. (1924)
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 WILL exchange White Wyandotte cockerel, value 12/6, for Roller cock, singing; yours first: Lister, 47, Southfield-terr., Addingham, Ilkley. (1934)
 WANTED, rose trees, exchange three compartment breeder, two Yorkshire show cages, dozen loose fronts: Parker, Oakes-rd., Huddersfield. (1931)
 EXCHANGE three prize-bred tumbler pigeons for one dozen selected cock Linnets or other Britishers: Wall, 26, The Mead, Street, Somerset. (1922)
 NOTICE, exchange extra good red and grey Parrot, for wavy coat retriever dog pup, 3 months old: Hasler, 17, Baddow-rd., Chelmsford, Essex. (1927)
 EXCHANGE 2 cock, 2 hen Canaries, and 3 double breeding cages, for anything useful, or sell, 22/-: Wm. Holding, 3, Windermere-rd., Chorley. (1934)
 FOR sale, Retriever dog pup, 5 months, 6/-; 4 single, 1 double breeder, 6/-; exchange anything useful: Mr. S. Woad, 12, Fife-st., Bradford. (1922)
 EXCHANGE lady's, gent.'s umbrellas for Yorkshire, Norwich show cages; also for singing Canaries: Dobbs, 866, Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1928)
 EXCHANGE high class pedigree working homers, flown up to 500 miles, for good Canaries, or sell from 7/6 each: Claridge, 1, Alstou-rd., High Barnet. (1924)
 FOUR aviary cages, good condition, sell 4/-; exchange Budgerigars, Bullfinches, or Siskins: Halford, 10, Lismore Circus, Gospel Oak. (1905)
 EXCHANGE brand new gent's or lady's boots, also boy's clothing, for male dog and puppies: Manager Furniture Stores, Totton. (1882)

WILL exchange three large, healthy Norwich lrens for two cock Goldfinch or Linnet mules; mutual approval: G. Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1894)

THREE dozen purse nets for rabbits, also two pure-bred Fox terrier pups, dogs, exchange for Canaries, or sale: Cassidy, Rat Catcher, Batley. (1930)

ONE pair Cockatiels, aviary moulted, very tame, 15/-; will exchange for Canaries, toy dogs, puppies: Syd. Mothersole, 20, Ilminster-st., Leicester. (1914)

JAP fiddle and bow, 6/6; harp, 6/-; skin rug, 8/6; cycle tube, 4/-; razor hone, 2/6; exchange Canaries or offers: Andrew Clark, 82, King-st., Peterhead. (1932)

ONE buff Norwich cock, 1 huff hen, 1 green Norwich cock, 1 cock Goldfinch; exchange Crests or Rollers: A. Rowland, Newtown, Dunbon, Biggleswade, Beds. (1924)

GENTLEMAN'S new rainproof coat, medium size; exchange live stock or anything useful: William Ryland, 203, Sandycombe-rd., Richmond, Surrey. (1925)

THREE White Ferrets, 2/6 each; large square indestructible Parrot's cage, 5/-; exchange cock Goldfinches, Canaries: H. Wild, Canning-st., Harwich. (1924)

THREE joint cork grip, fly or button rod, reel, 20 yards, silk line, also wallet, etc., for Yorkshire cock and cage: Preston, 30, Tandolph-st., Levenshulme. (1923)

EXCHANGE new violin, complete, cost 50/-, for Borders, Norwich, Yorkshires; must be healthy; yours first: Tunnicliffe, 52, Riley-st., Willenhall. (1924)

ELECTRIC spark coil, suitable for motor-cycle, exchange Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Canaries, cages; offers: Green, 150, Sam's-lane, West Bromwich. (1924)

EXCHANGE 6 crossbred pullets and cockerel, April hatched, healthy, for Roller or Norwich Canaries: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Brad-ford. (1935)

EXCHANGE 65 phonograph records, in perfect condition, for Roller or Norwich Canaries, or sell 35/-: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Brad-ford. (1935)

EDISON home phonograph, large brass horn and stand and over 100 records, equal to new, £3 10/-; or exchange birds to value: Mrs. Day, 77, Porter-st., Hull. (1930)

NEW milk churn, small, exchange Canaries, anything, value 10/-; also Collie bitch, good worker, anything, value 15/-: Litherford, Kilm-hill, Tweed-mouth. (1932)

EDISON standard phonograph, 36 records, in case, in good order, cost £6, sell £2; exchange Canaries; offers: Jackson, Kershaw-lane, Audenshaw, Manchester. (1929)

EXCHANGE volume "Great War," 16 6d. parts, perfectly clean, for good singing Roller or good British: Shives, 5, Sydney-buildings, Tramere, Birkenhead. (1921)

ACETYLENE generator, square (two way), Lord Kitchener's Home-coming (unframed), 30 x 40; exchange cock Canaries: Chambers, 680, Garratt Lane, Tooting, London. (1926)

EXCHANGE 3 fishing rods and large collection of tackle, value 25/-, for 2 pairs of Yorkshires; mutual approval; particulars or offers: Gillmann, Kingston-rd., Luton, Beds. (1926)

FOR sale or exchange, good bred Bull bitch, guaranteed breeder, splendid pedigree, for Canaries or Foreign Birds; price £2; Seth Mortimer, Commercial-st., Batley. (1925)

CONCERTINA (Wheatstone), 48 keys, as new, cost £6 6/-, sell £3, or exchange common Canaries; further particulars: Morgan, 40, Greyhound Road, Kensal Green, London. (1932)

EXCHANGE lady's solid silver keyless watch, almost new, cost 40/-, for buff Norwich cock and green Border Fancy hen; birds first: Nairn, 28, Wallfield-cres., Aberdeen. (1928)

SPLENDID curly-coated liver-coloured Retriever bitch, good guard, quiet with children, 18 months, 10/6, bargain; exchange anything useful: Tebay, 105, Bolton-rd., Bradford. (1922)

GENTLEMAN'S black suit, only worn twice, cost £2 18s.; what offer in Yorkshire or Roller Canaries; fit man 5ft. 10in.: Jones, Myrtle House, Tycoch, Cwmbran, near Newport. (1929)

PAIR house-moulted Twites, quantity of Gillette's blades, once used, pair of military riding boots (brown), new; exchange Yorkshires, anything: Martin, Hairdresser, Enfield Town. (1928)

FINE inlaid banjo, ivory keys, cost £5, 20/-; 2 foreign show cages and case, as new, 5/-, or part exchange, miniature rifle, repeater, preferred: Longland, 66, East-st., Chichester. (1927)

DOUBLE barrel, 12 bore, central fire, breech loading gun, in good order, sell 25/-; or exchange Yorkshire Canaries, value 30/-; approval both ways: Thos. Wright, 62, Newton-st., Southport. (1931)

GLOBE typewriter, good as new, cost £2 10s., half-price; Parrot cage, good as new, cheap; Dalli live stove, suit aviary, 10/-; exchange Canaries or British birds: Neilson, Bank-place, Kilmarnock. (1927)

SYMPHONION, walnut case, seven disc records, perfect order, 20/-; new set billiard balls, 15/-; three 1914 cock Goldfinches, 7/6; exchange Amberl records: Poyle, 67, Kerbey-st., Poplar, E. (1933)

GRAND curly Retriever bitch, two years, retrieves water, and pup, 17/6; exchange birds, live stock or small 3-wheel bicycle, or offers: Henson, 71, Old Mill-lane, Mansfield, Woodhouse, Notts. (1925)

SALE or exchange, six single breeders, loose fronts, ft rack, £1; two hen Canaries, 3/6; exchange Rollers, exhibition British, or anything useful: Wm. Place, 22, Rhodes-st., Wilson-st., Castleford. (1928)

WANTED, offers in cock Canaries, Rollers preferred, for Pointer-Fox Terrier dog, broken to ferrets and gun, splendid ratter and rabbitier, 15/- approval, particulars: Joseph, Maylord-st., Hereford. (1924)

WANTED, winning Norwich, Crest or Yorkshire, exchange champion working black ticked English Setter bitch, red-chested, good breeder; or sell £4: Foster, 7, Church-ter., Helmington-row, Crook. (1928)

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BEAUTIFUL O.E.S.G. Bantams, two pullets and unrelated cockerel, first prize winners only time shown, 1914 bred, 20/-; exchange good cage and Canaries, or anything useful: Motley, Grocer, Pately Bridge. (1927)

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GRAND Black lop doe, 12 months, 25x6 1/2, straight and healthy, slightly damaged ear, 25/-, worth double; approval; deposit: exchange Canaries to value: W. Beck, 22, Phillimore-rd., Salford, Birmingham. (1926)

FOR exchange "Canaries, Hybrids and British" book, cost 25/-, good as new, and eight Hybrid books for foreign birds or Parrot, talking: Clifford Williams, No. 3, Camp View, Winterbourne Downs, nr. Bristol. (1930)

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EXCHANGE new rabbit net, 80 yards, ready for use, 7/6; muzzle loader, guaranteed perfect condition, 8/6; clever Lurcher, two years, 12/6; these are great bargains; reasons for selling: Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham. (1929)

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TYPEWRITER, double keyboard, standard pattern, cost £24, accept £2 7/-; bound volume "Our Canaries," full of colour plates, cost 23/-, accept 10/6; 1/2-plate stand camera, dark slides, etc., cost £4 10/-, accept 30/- (new); mitre cutting machine, cost 21/-, accept 10/- (new); large gramophone, large horn, quantity of records, two sound boxes, play both Pathé's, Sapphire, and ordinary makes, cost £6 10/- only last month, accept 42/-; exchange entertained: Hawkes 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1933)

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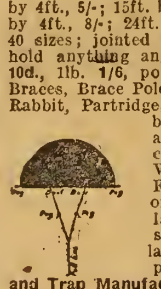
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Ditchfield's medicines are perfectly safe, and can be fully relied upon; they are used by most leading fanciers, and are supplied to the London Zoo; we guarantee to return full money if our medicines fail to do as we advertise. Ditchfield's Tonic Drops are a guaranteed cure for soft moult, slow moult, not singing, going light, feather plucking, and inflammation of the bowels, 7d., 1/1 and 2/- bottles; Ditchfield's Special Lung Tonic, for bronchitis, wheezing, and hoarseness, the most reliable medicine for chest and lung affections in cage birds, 7d., 1/1 and 2/- bottles; Ditchfield's Famous Revivo, for constitutional weakness and debility, the ideal tonic for birds after moulting, 7d., 1/1 and 2/- bottles; special offer: we will send two 7d. bottles of any of the above medicines for 1/-, three for 1/6, or two 1/1 bottles for 1/9, three for 2/6; the 1/1 bottles are the treble 7d. size; all medicines post free per return; also four valuable food recipes, how to feed the Lark, Linnets, Roller, Thrush and Blackbird for health and song, given free to all purchasers of our medicines: Frank Ditchfield, Bird Specialist, Oldham. (1837)

BRITISH BIRDS.

Hardbills.

WANTED, British Hardbills: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Solater-st., Shoreditch. SUPERIOR Bullfinches, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich. SUPERIOR Bullfinches, Linnets, Goldfinches; none first caught; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich. EXHIBITION cock Goldies, fit for keenest competition: 7/8; satisfaction: Elva, East Dereham. (1947) PAIR Cirl Buntings, 2 hen Goldfinches, hen Goldfinch Mule, 7/- lot: K. Older, 53, Days-rd., Bristol. (1945) WANTED, cash offers for Goldfinches, 4 cocks and 1 hen, caged August, sure Mulers: E. Osborne, Swayfield, Grantham. (1941) HAWFINCH cock, cage moulted, finger tame, fit for immediate show, 25/-; approval: Hailes, 10, Hartland rd., Kilburn. (1940)

ADVERTISERS SAVE MONEY

By reading the notice on page 326 this week. Owing to the Christmas Holidays, "CAGE BIRDS" will be on sale next week on Thursday, Dec. 24, and must go to press one day earlier, so all advertisements MUST reach us on Monday, or FIRST POST TUESDAY, Dec. 22, AT LATEST. BE IN TIME.

CATCHERS, self-acting spring nets, can be baited for hard or softbills, 1/3; larger size, 1/9: Dawson, Blyburgate, Beccles. (1942) HAWFINCH, grand cock, good size, bib and markings, nice condition, 7/6; approval: Larking, 394, Lillie-rd., Fulham, S.W. (1941) GOLDFINCHES dying? No fear. Send 6d. for my food: Lambeth Aviaris, 35, Gladstone-st., St. George's-rd., London, & E. (1949) WHAT offers nearly new Lark net, two call bird Linnets, full song, sale or exchange: Chris Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1944) FOUR large Welsh cock Goldfinches, full song, well marked, except 2/6 each, removing: Mrs. Jones, Harlech House, Aberystwyth. (1945) SIX selected large cock Bullfinches, two hens, 11/-; exchange exhibition Norwich cock, fed, value 15/-; Chetwood, Elson, Ellesmere, Salop. (1945) VERY large Siberian aviary-moulted Goldfinch for muling, 10/-; aviary-moulted Greenfinch and Bramble, 2/- each: Stone, Cumnor, Sydenham. (1943) SHOW specimens, cock Goldie, Bullie, Linnets, also hen Bullie, 20/- lot; approval, cash: Roberts, Saracen's Hotel, Cerrygrudion, Corwen. (1948) EXHIBITION cock Bullfinch, grand colour, third Alcoa, only time shown, 5/-; also hen, fit to win, 3/6: Mitchell Station, Bridge of Allan. (1949) ONE Siberian cock Goldfinch, H.M., 10/-; 3 cock Linnets, H.M., 4/- each; 1 Siskin cock, H.M., 5/-; T. Trotter, Woodside House, Dumbarton. (1946) SALE, team of exhibition Goldfinches, also two Lesser Redpolls and Twite, also two Linnets, on approval: J. Davies, 6, Prospect-place, Longton, Staffs. LINNETS, lovely rose-redbreasted cock Linnets, 3/6 dozen, six 2/-; few well-pencilled cocks for show, 1/6 each: B. Cootie, 16, Windmill-st., Luton, Beds. GUARANTEED cock Bullfinches, 1/6, hens 1/-; Linnets, 1/-, three 2/6; Greenfinches, Yellowhammers, Chaffinches, 6d.: Charles McCann, 15, North-st., Lurgan. (1940) WANTED, cash offers for big cock Goldfinch, three times house-moulted, and hen Bullfinch, house-moulted; sure breeders: E. Osborne, Swayfield, Grantham. (1941) LARGE H.M. cock Bullfinch, splendid bird, 4/6; large cock Goldfinch, 3/6; hen Bullfinch, hen Goldfinch, 3/6 the two: F. Jensen, 6, Clifton-terrace, Kenilworth. (1945) CHRISTMAS presents, what nicer? Two house-moulted cock Goldfinches, white-legged, healthy birds, in song, 4/6 each, 8/6 the two: 39, Ross-rd., Wallington. (1940) GRAND H.M. specimens, cocks, Yellowhammer, Reed Bunting, hen Mealy Redpoll, laid this season, 10/6 lot: Jas. Moir, School Wynd, Bervie, Kincardineshire. (1949) NOTICE, grand lot Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets, for show or song; prices low, easy payments arranged; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1941) SUITABLE Christmas presents: Real pet cock Bullfinch, finger tame, 4/-; cock Goldfinch Mule, a real beauty, champion songster, 5/-; Laidlaw, Painter, Langholm. (1941) EXHIBITORS: cock Goldfinch, 1st Newark, strong class, will win in open competition, a gem for size and quality, 25/-; approval: J. Lamb, Fish Fryer, Kirk Gate, Newark. (1944) EXHIBITION Goldfinch, white legged, 2nd first time out, house-moulted, muler, 10/-; 1914 Goldfinch-Canaries, full song, Goldfinch notes, 7/-; Jackson, 37, Canal-st., Congleton. (1941) BRAUTIFUL cock Bullies, 1/6 and 2/-; hens, 6d.; 2 dozen Redpolls, as caught, 3/- lot; also Greenfinches and Chaffinches, cheap, cash or deposit: Arthur Benson, Dalbeattie. (1949) BULLFINCHES, cocks 2/- and 2/6, one fit win 5/-; hens, 1/- each; Goldfinches, cocks 2/6 and 3/6, two fit win 5/- each; hens 1/- each: Jones, Henford Marsh, Warminster, Wilts. (1939) HOUSE-MOULTED yellow Greenfinch cock, good colour, 5/6; cock Twite, 4/-; Bullfinch hen, 5/6; one with toe missing, 3/6; accept 15/6 lot: Holliday, 76, Coplaw-st., Govanhill, Glasgow. JAMES CLARK, the original Linnets king; proud Linnets, 5/-, 10/-, 15/-; new polished cage, 1/-; Linnets and cage, 2/-; on song; apply with order: 7, Lincoln Field-terr., Newtown, Leeds. (1943) LINNETS, guaranteed strong, healthy cock brown Linnets, 2/6 doz.; picked, 3/-; well on seed; few outstanding show specimens, 1/6 each, three 4/-: West, 30, Lamprell-st., Old Ford, Bow. (1949) HIGH-CLASS Borders for show or stock, related to my winners at the leading shows; cocks, from 6/-, hens from 3/-; also matched pairs; approval willingly: Weir, Hamilton Place, Penicuik. (1949) THROUGH joining the Army must dispose of two fine exhibition Goldfinches, ready for the bench, proved mulers, 10/6 each: Private A. L. Trickett, Roseleigh, Huntingdon-rd., Earlsdon, Coventry. WELSH Goldie, sure Muler, 4/-; piping Bullfinch, very tame, 3/-; 1913 Goldfinch Mule, full song, 7/6; pair unlighted Yorkshires, 8/6; approval willingly; real bargains: Mrs. Wade, 14, New-st., Oakham. (1946) BULLFINCHES, cocks 1/6, six 8/-, dozen 15/-; selected 2/6; large hens, 1/-; selected 1/6; all birds well on seed before sent out; numerous testimonials: Oliver Barson, 10, Thomas-st., Leicester. (1942) STIRLINGSHIRE for the best Britishers, Linnets, 1/6 ea.; specials, 2/6; Redpolls, Mealy, 1/-; Lesser, 6d.; Bullfinches, cocks, 2/-; hens, 1/6; satisfaction guaranteed: Dewar, Kildean Cottage, Drip-rd., Stirling. (1932) HOW to feed, to train, and get the Linnets fierce for contest singing, etc.; our book, 6d., post free; a few fierce singing Linnets for sale, cheap; stamp reply: Pownall and Haigh, Lowerhouses, Huddersfield. (1942) BARGAIN dealers and fanciers, large quantity of red-breasted cock Linnets for sale, well on seed, 3/- dozen; approval; if not satisfied money returned; trade supplied. Dickson, Upper Union-st., Dunstable. (1951) VERY handsome steady Siberian cock Bullfinch, in show form, took four prizes last season, including Palace, not shown this season, 10/-; with show cage, 13/6: Mrs. Porter, 21, Alexandra Mansions, Chelsea. (1939) COCK Bullfinches, 1/9, selected 2/-, 2/6, hens 1/-, selected 1/3, 1/6; cock Grey Linnets, selected 1/-; cock Blackbird, 3/6; Yellow Greenies, 9d., 1/-; Red-breasted Redpolls, 6d.; for satisfaction: Elvin, East Dereham. (1947) LINNETS, Linnets, Linnets, rich red-breasted cocks, 1/- each, three 2/6, six 4/-; selected to moult for exhibition, bold heads, grand whites and pencilling, 2/6 each: H. Welsh, Cornstall Buildings, Stamford. (1951)

WARRANTED cocks; Linnets, 3/- dozen; Yellowhammers, 1/- dozen; Brambles, 1/6 dozen; Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; 36 aviary birds, 2/-; selected dozen, 1/-; exchange: Gtobed Fen, The Pitt, Isleham, Cambs. (1950) TO exhibitors, noted hen Redbunting, now at its best, winner at most principal shows last season, including CAGE BIRDS diploma at Gateshead for best British hardbill, price £1 5s.: Whitney, 10, Brook-st., Sales. (1950) BIRD nets, all complete, poles, pegs, lines, carrying bag; 6ft. by 4ft. 3/-, 12ft. by 4ft. 5/-, 15ft. by 4ft. 5/-, 2ft. by 6ft. 7/6; old firm; satisfaction guaranteed; list 1d.: Young, Net Manufacturer, Crewkerne, Somerset. (1940) TO exhibitors, grand Blackbird and show cage, 12/6; hen Hawfinch, 10/6; two grand Bramble Finches, 15/-; and Goldfinch cock, a gem, 12/6; all ready for show, or £2 5/- the lot: Dunning, 19, Stratford-st., Tunbridge Wells. (1940) LINNETS, Linnets, warranted cock Brown Linnets. —I have some grand young early birds, well on seed, for show or song, plenty in stock, no waiting; postcard before bird; 2/6 dozen; selected, 3/-: Harry Cope, 13, Red-st., Nottingham. (1937) ABNORMALLY feathered specimens, curiously albinistic Goldfinch, very fine Chevalier ditto, and Lesser Redpoll, with silvered wings, sweetly pretty; all cocks, and perfectly healthy; particulars, stamp: C. Prior, Hill Farm, Ropley, Hants. (1940) NORTH-COUNTRY Linnets, gems for size and colour, special picked cocks 1/-, 3 for 2/6; seed and venter to travel 48 hours; 10 days' approval; cash or deposit system; noted for honest dealing: Ashton, Catcher, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (1943) OVERSTOCKED exhibition Greenfinch 15/-, Siskin 4/-, Bramblefinch 7/6, Bullie hen 6/-, Lesser Redpoll 2/-, also a few others cheap; also all my winners. See show reports. State wants; stamp reply: Gentleman, Avonbridge, Strilingshire. (1951) VERY good singing Linnets, sing day or gaslight, good size and colour, make muler, good all round bird, only 2/6; also a few with good loud voices, 1/- and 1/6; singing cages, 6d., 9d., and 1/-: Fred Allen, Linnets Champion, 156, Porter Street, Hull. (1933) LOOK, Look, Look, Linnets, Linnets, Linnets. I have the finest stock of Linnets in the South; warranted cocks, well on seed, 3/6 doz.; cock Greenfinches 1/6 doz.; all kinds of British always in stock, dealers supplied: Chris Hatton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1944) ATTENTION! Welsh Goldfinches, real toppers, deep square cut blazes, grand size, pick of several catches; cocks, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 9d., 7/6 dozen; magnificent cock Bullfinches, 2/-; hens, 1/3, all well on seed: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1933) LINNETS, Linnets, Linnets, red-breasted, warranted Lincolnshire cock Linnets, well on seed, best in England, 4/- dozen, six 2/3, three 1/3; hen Linnets, cock Greenfinches, 1/- dozen, six 9d.; hundreds testimonials: Charlie Cubley, Gedney, Holbeach, Lincolnshire. (1950) GOLDFINCHES! Goldfinches! Invaluable information concerning this most popular of our British birds is found in "Nutshell No. 1." Feeding, hand-rearing, and sexing, moulting and exhibiting, are all fully dealt with. 2d. post free, from: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents, list published frequently.) SPECIALLY picked for Hybrid breeding; yellow cock Greenfinches, big hen Goldfinches, Welsh cock Linnets and hen Goldfinch, 2/6 pair; 21 big Welsh Bullfinch hens, 1/6 each; 3 toppers 2/- each; 19 grand cocks 2/- each; 4 special cocks, 3/- each: W. Brown, Lightfield, Whitechurch, Salop. (1948) MY Borders win at all the leading shows, championship Crystal Palace, 4 specials, runner up for best bird in hall at Glasgow, medal Manchester; can supply pairs from 10/- to 40/-; properly matched; singles from 5/- to 25/-; approval, stamp: George Bennet, Bowmont Villa, Kelso. (1949) EXHIBITORS, cock Bullie, rare size, gorgeous colour, fine head and bars, win in strongest company, 5/6; ditto hen, almost like a Russian, sound colour, big domed head, 3/6; Lesser Redpoll cock, a marvel, picked from hundreds, for outstanding size, colour, bib, and thigh markings, 2/6; approval: Ross, Aviaris, Forres, N.B. (1942) "THE Siskin, Redpoll and Twite." This handy little booklet contains much valuable information as to the management of Siskins, etc., and if you possess or intend to purchase any of these birds you should have a copy by you for reference. The price is only 2d., post free.—Write, The Publisher, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. LARGE stock red-breasted cock Linnets, 4/- doz.; fine stock Bramblefinches, picked cocks for showing, 1/- each, or 1/6 pair, beauties; Linnets, full song, 1/- each; picked for muling or well pencilled for showing, 1/- each, or 3 for 2/6; tumblers or homing pigeons, 2/- pair; Canaries, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, wanted, Larks, singing well, 1/- each, with cage 1/6: W. Darby, 41a, Spon-lane, West Bromwich. (1944) LINNETS! Linnets!! Linnets!!!—Owa caught, trained contest singers, real stormers. A great secret is laid bare to lovers of these popular Britishers, which will enable them to rear real stormers. Linnets fanciers, there is a matter that requires dealing with caution; there is a very bad habit, which your pets may have, which must be overcome. Get that "Linnets Nutshell" at once. No. 2, price 2d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C. SCANDINAVIAN Bullfinches, best and largest seen; cocks, 3/-, 3/6; hens, 2/-, 3/- each; extra giant cock Goldfinches, splendid colour winners, 3/-, 3/6, and one stormer, 4/-; exhibition Linnets, a real gem, 2/6; Redpoll, cannot be beat, 2/-; monster yellow Greenfinch cock, 2/-; Chaffinch, like paint, 2/6; all can win; approval; cash or deposit: Fred Allen, British Bird Champion, Porter-st. Aviaris, Hull. (1933) LOVERS of Chaffinches should read what H. J. Fuljames says about them. "Nutshell No. 13." 2d. post free, tells you all you need know concerning the successful keeping of these birds. From: CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents, see list on another page.) EXHIBITORS, your chance now. Winners for sale: Goldfinches, Linnets, Redpolls, Greenies, Meadow Bunting, Bullfinch, Chaffinches, f.m. Linnets, Twite, Mealy F.M. Goldies, Light Goldfinch Canary cock, 30/-; all the above won at Swansea last week (see report "C.B.") including show cages, Mackey's sliding fronts, new, and cages; stamp particulars; on approval 2 days: J. E. J. Drayce, 17, Norfolk-st., Swansea. (1947)

SPRATT'S CAGE-BIRD FOODS AND REMEDIES.

Mixed Seeds, in 1d. packets and upwards, also 1/- tin. Canary Seed Mixture (with Egg and Fruit), in 2d. packets and upwards. Cod Liver Oil Cage-Bird Food, a splendid Winter Feed (a substitute for egg and bread crumbs), in 3d. and 6d. tins, also 3d. lb. bags, 1/3, 7 lb. bags, 2/6. Parrot and Macaw Seed Mixture, in 2d. packets and upwards also 1/- tins, 6d. and 3d. bags. "Canarydye" for Asthma and Wheezing, per bottle 3d., 6d., 1/- and 2/6. Red Mite Killer, per bottle 6d., 1/- and 2/6. "Quinella" (Registered) for Inflammation of Stomach, per box 3d., 6d. and 1/1. Chemical Food, in 6d., 1/- and 2/- bottles. Post Paid on Orders for Medicines value 1/- upwards. Samples of Foods and Pamphlet on Cage-Birds, post free 3d. stamps. SPRATT'S PATENT LIMITED, 24, 25, Abchurch Lane, London, E.C. 4.

GREENFINCHES are very charming birds, but they need great care. "The Greenfinch" Nutshell booklet gives full directions as to the treatment of these birds, and we shall be pleased to send you a copy post free upon receipt of 2d. Write Publisher, CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. WARRANTED selected cocks; Linnets, 3/6 doz.; Bramblefinches, 2/- dozen; Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; 20 mixed seedeaters, 1/6; 12 brighter mixed, 1/-; cocks selected for show, large Cornbunting, 2/6; Goldfinch, 3/6; Yellowbunting, Redbunting, Linnets, Redpoll, Twite, Bramblefinch, Chaffinch, Greenfinch, 1/- each; for aviary, 1/- paid, well on food: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcliffe Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (1950) C. PRIOR has a smaller collection of field-moulted seedeaters than usual for disposal this season, but it has never been more choice. It comprises Goldfinches, Linnets, Greenfinches, Bramblefinches, Chaffinches, and Lesser Redpolls. He has also house-moulted specimens of all above species and Siskins as well, which are in the pink of show condition for immediate exhibition; state wants, enclosing stamp: Hill Farm, Ropley, Hants. (1940) LOOK! treble trap cages, best ever seen for catching, single 8d., double 1/3, treble 2/-; self-acting net traps, 2/6 each; Linnets nets 6x8 22, 9x5 3/-; bird braces, 4d. each; Rirt, pegs, 1/- each; Yellowhammers, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Redpolls, Bramblefinches, Reed Buntings, Corn Buntings, Robins, Hedge Sparrows, picked out 1/-, 3 for 2/-; noted for honest dealing: Ashton, 5, Mafeking-st., Gateshead. (1943) SCANDINAVIAN Bullfinches, Goldfinches and Siskins, the second consignment this year to Hull, and both straight to my aviaries; beware of imitations; Bullfinches, cocks or hens, 3/6, 4/6; special picked birds, 5/6, 6/6 each; cock Goldfinches for muling or showing, 4/6, 5/6, a few extra specials, 7/6, 10/6 each; yellow cock Siskins, real giants, 7/6 each; one extra large yellow, splendid shape, extra well laced, cage moulted, 10/6; only a few of these; British cock Bullfinches, 2/- each; one splendid exhibition specimen, can win, only 5/6; hens, 1/6; cock Goldfinches, 2/-, 3/- each, a few picked for show, 4/6, 5/6; one monster steady cock Chaffinch, extra rich in colour, a gem, 3/6; and a grand light cock Goldfinch Mule, 10/6; splendid Linnets and Goldfinch Mules, on full Linnets or Goldfinch song, 4/6, 5/6, 6/6 each; Roller cock Canaries, full song, 7/6, 8/6 and 10/6 each: J. Day, The Aviaris, Porter-st., Hull. (1943) EXHIBITORS.—C. Nicholls, 41, Clarendon-rd., Hither-Crumpsall, Manchester, offers tip-top Goldie, extra size, wonderful blaze, body colour, wing markings and buttons, winner, trouble the best, 8/6; yellow Bunting, marvel for colour, markings, and size, a gem, 8/6; Redpoll, grand bird, size, colour and bib, 5/-; Linnets, big, bold bird, extra pencilled and size, 6/-; Greenfinch, "the best ever caged," tremendous size, shape, wing markings, and rich yellow colour, make big winner, 10/-; Bullfinch, big bird, dense cap, extra breast and body colour, make big winner, 7/6; Siskin, splendid colour, cap and wing markings, a topper, 10/-; Twite, a gem, perfect size, shape, colour and markings, 10/-; steady; Corn Bunting, large, perfect marked, make winner, 7/6; the above are tip-top specimens, correct Norwich shape, and all can win in keenest competition; description guaranteed; approval; cash or deposit; have sold 9 winners in good company this season. (1949) LINNETS LARKS. Goldfinches; cock Linnets, hen Canary, 3/-; cock Goldfinches, hen Canary, 4/6; sure mulers: Brain, 288, Lichfield-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (1930) GUARANTEED COCK GOLDFINCHES. Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6; Larks, Linnets, 8d., 1/-, 4/6 dozen; Chaffinches, Yellowhammers, 1/-; Greenfinches, Redpolls, 4d., 2/6 dozen; Mules, Canaries, 5/6, 7/6; young Canaries 2/-, 15/- dozen: Irwin's Aviaris, Lurgan. (1934) CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. Grand coloured cock Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 each; hens, 1/-, 1/6; grand cock Goldfinches, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 4/- each; hens, 9d., 1/- each; singing cock Linnets, Chaffinches, 1/- each; hens, 6d.; cocks, Yellow-buntings, Redbuntings, Skylarks, 1/-, 1/6 each; grand singing cock Canaries 6/6, 7/6, 10/- each; grand pair Green Budgerigars, 5/6; pair Yellow-birds, 6/6; approval: A. J. Underwood, Corn Merchant, 24, Wellington-st., Kettering. (1941) STILL THE CHEAPEST. Catch your own; large double-compartment trap-cage, tin lime, call Finch, 1/3, three 3/6; Linnets, Twite, Chaffinch, Bramble, or Greenfinch, in new cage, only 1/3, three 3/6; Lark, in new cage, 1/6; Goldies, Bullies, 2/6; Hartz cocks, 5/6; hens, 2/-; Norwich cocks, 6/-; three hen Goldie Mules, 3/6; selected British cocks, 5/- dozen; trade supplied; selected birds cheap; Siskins wanted: Bannist-r. 24, Pendle-st., Burnley. (1951) Decoys For Birdcatchers. Splendid invention, no brace-bird required, stilled safety decoy, moves on friction-stick on balanced spring; Linnets 2/6, Goldfinches 3/-; bird and fittings complete: Hipperson, Waverley Wharf, Beccles. (1913)

L.C.B.A. WINNERS

See report, also of Sale show, champion competition under specialist judges. These 4 first prize winners are birds from the stock of W. H. Raven, Esq., which I purchased complete with all his cages, aviaries, etc.; I can offer some really first-class exhibition specimens in all varieties, cheap to clear, 2 real good jonque Goldfinches, rich square blazes, best of wings and tannings, 25/- each; Bramblefinches, 1st Sale, 36/-; six others, fit to win anywhere, 20/- each; also some tip-top Twites, lovely colour and markings, steady, 5/- and 10/- each; Greenfinches, some cypocypers, 5/- and 10/-; 2 Lesser Redpolls, gems of the first water, 7/6 each; bear in mind these birds were collected by the above well-known exhibitor regardless of cost; such a chance seldom occurs; all on 24 hours' approval, cash, or deposit with Editor: W. Cottingham, 9, Feveril-st., Nottingham. Phone, 5752

GOLDFINCHES, BULLFINCHES, LINNETS

All are well on seed; guaranteed English cock Goldfinches, 1/6, 2/- each; three 4/-, six 7/-; extra picked for mulling, 2/6, 3/- each; three 5/-, six 8/6; cock Bullfinches, 2/-; hens, 1/-; Lancashire cock Linnet, 8d., 10d., 1/- each; three 1/9, six 2/6; cock Larks, 6d., 8d., 10d.; caged off, singing, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/-; three 1/4, six 2/6; cock Bramblefinches, 1/1 and 1/6 each; Chaffinches, 9d., 1/-, and 1/6 each; Greenfinches, 6d. each, three 1/3; cages for any of above from 6d., 9d., 1/-, 1/3, 1/6, and 2/-. Seed grinding mills, 1/6; send for catalogue of everything; established 50 years: Sandford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 89, Slater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Softbills.

WAGTAIL or Pipit show cage, new, and cover, 6/-, bargain: J. Lane, 15, Aberdeen-terrace, Bradford. (1940)
SELECTED cock Thrushes, 1/- each: William Wright, 54, Sheffield-rd., Marshside, Southampton. (1944)
WILL exchange Missel Thrush, caged one month, for Hardbills: Curphey, 21, Castle-st., Douglas, I.O.M. (1951)
LARKS, Larks, Larks. Grand cock Larks, 2/3 doz. Can supply weekly: G. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris, Cambs. (1948)
LARKS, Perkins' Aviary, Chatteris, has grand stock cock Larks, 2/6 dozen; grand cock Linnet and cage, 1/9 each. (1927)
FIRST-CLASS Thrush or Blackbird show cage and case complete, 8/-, bargain: J. Lane, 15, Aberdeen-terrace, Bradford. (1940)
DEVONSHIRE Woodlarks, warranted cocks, 2/- each; few in song, 3/6 each; hens, 8/- dozen: Rowley, Elston, Crediton. (1944)
LOUDEST cock Skylark ever heard, been caged 12 months, 1/-; also a handreared young cock, 9d.; approval: George Holt, Dunstable. (1943)
LARKS, Larks; large upstanding cock Larks, not to be beaten size and quality, 2/6 dozen; dealers and fanciers supplied: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (1947)
WOODLARK cocks 2/6, hens 1/6; selected cocks, nicely on song, 5/-; special Woodlark cages 5/-; bird list free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1951)
THOSE requiring a genuine singing cock Skylark on approval, cheap, send me your address; I will send to you immediately; no fresh caught rubbish sent out; all birds genuine songsters: Mrs. Dutton, Dunstable. (1945)
SKYLARKS, Skylarks, healthy specimens, in song, for shows and contest singing. Learn how to obtain them and keep them. "Nutshell No. 3" tells you. 2d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list frequently published).
SKYLARK, first prize Crystal Palace, 1914; first prize at H. Hall, perfect, in brass-mounted show cage, 25/-; Nightingale, and show cage, good singer, two years old, perfect feather, and hardy, 25/-; a few more Starling and Thrush show cages cheap: Lett, 97, Cheapside, London. (1946)
SOFTBILLS: the smaller species; full information upon their proper feeding and management in captivity, is given by H. J. Fulljames in "Nutshell No. 25," which also deals with hard-rearing, and describes the collection of ants' eggs, 2d. post free, from: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (2d. from agents; see list on another page).
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BLUE-TITS, Oxeye-Tite, Robins, Bramblefinches, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, Redbuntings, Yellowhammers, Cornbuntings, Twites, Redpolls, Tree-Sparrows, Hedge-Sparrows, Linnet, 1/- pair; selected cocks, 1/- each; cock Blackbirds and Song Thrushes, 1/- each; selected songsters, 1/6; 12 mixed aviary birds, 1/-; exchange: Penn and Son, Bowers-lane, Isleham, Cambs. (1951)
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CRESTS, five classes at Wishaw Open Show on Jan. 1. See advt.
CRESTS and Crest-breds for sale, good birds, cheap: G. Ward, 62, Freegrove-rd., Caledonian-rd., London. (1940)
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YELLOW Lancashire copy cock, 15/-; buff Lancashire plain cock, 15/-; buff Lancashire copy cock, 12/6; buff Lancashire copy hen, 10/-; all healthy, related to our winners, vide report Manchester, London, Provincial shows; stamp: Fitton, Garnett-st., Oldham. (1944)

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LARGE buff variegated cock, 15/-; clear yellow cock, 20/-: A. Mason, 207, St. Andrew's-rd., Pollok-shields, Glasgow. (1944)
TWO typical clear buff hens, 15/-, 10/-; large green hen, 7/6: Strachan, 207, St. Andrew's-rd., Pollok-shields, Glasgow. (1944)
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HIGH-CLASS Norwich, cocks or hens, very large, good heads, grand type, 35 years' breeder, judge of many shows; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1909)

PHENIX high class Norwich, coloured, clear, ticked and variegated; cocks, 10/- to 25/-; hens, 5/- to 10/-; exchange entertained: Bleek, 3, Westbourne-terr., Hove. (1941)

WELL-BRED Norwich, unlighted, nice type and quality, colour fed, cocks 6/-, hens 3/6; approval; ash or deposit: Birmmshaw, Breach rd., Marlpool, Henon, Derbyshire. (1944)

CHAMPION Norwich, show or stock birds, clear or variegated; state wants and price prepared to pay; approval; or exchange: Pepper, 5, Greek-st., Hawthorne-aven., Hull. (1908)

HIGH headed yellow Norwich cock, good quality, splendid colour, third prize winner at Plymouth in green competition; approval; stamp: Brown, 35, Matley Plain, Plymouth. (1922)

CINNAMON cocks, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6; Plainhead cocks, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; hens, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6, 3/- each; Yorkshires, same prices; feeding hens, 1/3: Broadbent, House Painter, Lowfield, Sheffield. (1950)

FIFTEEN good Norwich, some same nest winners 1st, special, two 2nds, two 4ths (Members); priced low; approval; deposit: Editor: Dracup, 163, Half-moon-lane, Herne Hill, London. (1928)

GRAND Norwich pairs or single birds, including unlighted buff cock, first Bedlington; also Cinnamons, cheap; approval willingly: W. Smalles, Radcliffe, Acklington, Northumberland. (1949)

TWO buff Norwich cocks, toppers, 25/-, 15/- each, from big winners, or exchange one var. buff, unlighted Norwich hen; approval; yours first: Waller, Top Baulby Rank, Whitley. (1945)

HIGH-CLASS Norwich, short and cobby, large heads, buff and yellow, pairs or single, mostly unlighted, from 41 to 43 each; approval, deposit: Macdonnell, 5, Glenalla-rd., Llanely. (1945)

NORWICH for sale, 4 unlighted clear and variegated cocks, one rose bowl winner, one first special at Glasgow Western show, from 10/- to 50/-; approval; deposit: Duntcher, Dambartonshire. (1939)

MR. ECKERSLEY offers large capped yellow cock, 80/-; very fine variegated yellow hen, show bird, 43; grand large buff hen, winner, 43; few others cheap: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1939)

J. WOOLHOUSE can spare some typical yellow and buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6 each; also few yellow and buff cocks, 10/6 each; these are good and cheap; approval; deposit: 111, Oakland-rd., Hillsborough, Bedford. (1929)

A FEW grand Norwich for sale, single or pairs, yellows and buffs, some winners; also two Linnets-ecnie Hybrids, and a grand Greenie Mule, fit to sing; approval, deposit: T. Anderson, Campbell-st., Darvel. (1949)

SEVERAL stock unlighted and flighted Norwich for sale; prices moderate; yellows and buffs; see winnings North-West Glasgow and Springburn last Saturday; approval, deposit: Andrew Crawford, 14, Wilton-drive, Glasgow. (1932)

HAVING had a successful breeding season can spare a few good birds; cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; hens, 2/6 to 10/-; two natural colour even-marked yellow hens, 5/- each; approval: Gilbert, Hope Cottage, Hill-st., Coventry. (1932)

GRAND ticked buff Norwich cock, good head and neck, marvellous size, winner, with clear yellow hen to match, also winner, price 17/6 the pair to clear; giving up Norwich; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1950)

F. J. LACCOHEE, breeder and exhibitor of winning Norwich, offers good stock birds at reasonable prices; novices and beginners wishing to start with reliable stock should write stating wants and price: 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (1941)

EXHIBITION unlighted colour fed buff Norwich cock, magnificent specimen for size and show points, accept 20/-, or will exchange for high-class 1913 Yorkshire cock, must be good stock bird: F. Jenson, 6, Clifton-terrace, Kenilworth. (1945)

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GIVING up owing to ill-health. Grand stock Norwich. Rev. Nume and J. C. Barnes' strain; 21 good sound birds; rack, 12 single breeders, 2 flights 4ft., 2 ditto 3ft. 6in.; all utensils; will be sold cheap; see any time: Demain, 16, Brook-st., Clitheroe, Lancs. (1941)

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THE last of my surplus stock; good old round 1914 clear buff cock, possessing and able to produce superb quality of feather, also has the surest combination for success in splendid face and pedigree value, nest brother to my Reading and Cardiff 2nd, for 30/-; approval; don't miss him; write now: E. Allsopp, 40, Beda-rd., Cardiff. (1939)

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GIVING up.—High-class Norwich, bull dog strain direct, cocks 7/6 upwards, hens 4/6 to 10/-; matched breeding pairs, 8/6, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; several pairs, 1913, from 8/6; splendid feeders; approval: Grout, 64, Hughenden-rd., Norwich. (1947)

EIGHT 1sts, five 2nds, three 3rds, 9 sps., including challenge cup outright, Boscombe Show; my strain wins anywhere, but having changed residence must reduce stock; cocks 10/- upwards, hens 5/- upwards; state requirements; approval: Martin Cook, Myrtle Villa, Purbeck-rd., Bournemouth. (1946)

BARGAINS.—Winners at Sheffield C.B.S., buff cock, 1st special, 12/6; ditto 2nd, 12/6; buff hen, 1st, 8/6; yellow cock, 2nd, 10/6; big yellow cock, 10/6; four good buff cocks, 10/6 each; few others, cocks, 7/6; hens, from 5/-, mostly unlighted; approval, deposit: L. Woolhouse, 76, Hunter-rd., Hillborough, Sheffield. (1948)

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Glen Rosa, Emsworth. I have a fine lot of exhibition and stock Norwich for disposal, the finest winning strain in the Fancy. Watch show reports in the South of England. Yellow or buff cocks from 15/- to 60/-; matched pairs, 41 to 45; also a few yellow and buff hens, 10/- to 35/-. All birds sent on approval with pleasure. (1951)

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TWO massive buff cocks, 15/- each; big buff hen, 10/6, rare head; two unlighted yellow hens, nice cobby birds, 7/6 each; unlighted yellow cock, big bird, 10/-; approval: 111, Heysham-rd. (1947)

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All birds sent off same day, on first payment received; send for new illustrated price list and terms, post free; large stock of good cobby Norwich for stock, show or songsters; all on seven days' approval: J. Taylor, 36, Aireville-rd., Frizinghall, Bradford. (1939)

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Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains; have proofs; yellows or buff cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/4; breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London. (1941)

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GLUCKE Rollers, 6 cocks, 7/6 each; 14 1913 hens, 4/6 each: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Huberts-rd., Great Harwood. (1933)

GLUCKE Rollers, B.R.C. rung; cocks from 10/6; hens, 5/- each: Brown, 250, Tat Bank-rd., Oldbury, Birmingham. (1924)

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ROLLER cocks, in full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, and 7/9; hens, 1/9 and 2/9; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1942)

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WATER Glucke Rollers, cocks, from 8/-, hens from 3/6; deep birds; approval: Watkins, 22, Eden-st., Astley Bridge, Bolton. (1947)

GRAND Roller-Norwich songsters, 3 pairs, clear yellow cocks 7/6, clear buff hens 2/6: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire. (1944)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, guaranteed in full song, 7/6 each; Seifert hens, 2/- each: Bates, York Cottage, Friars-aven., Bangor, N.W. (1941)

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DEEP Glucke Rollers: cocks, 10/6, 12/6; hens, 3/6; winning strain; bargains; approval: Parker, 16, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (1951)

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HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

CHAMPION 1914 Roller cocks, in full song, from 10/6; hens, same strain, from 5/-; first come first served: Tom Horsfield, Outfitter, Farnworth, S.O. (1944)

GLUCKE and Seifert Rollers in full song, cold-room bred, cocks from 10/6; hens 3/6 and 5/- each; approval: Newton, 69, Stafford-st., Wolverhampton. (1943)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Roller cocks, full song, 8/6 each, hens 3/-; approval, cash, or deposit: Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, Nr. Bradford. (1952)

DEEP Glucke Rollers (Mr. Neugebauer strain); cocks from 15/- to 50/-; hens, same strain, 5/- and 7/6 each: M. Jacquemin, 453, Dudley-rd., Wolverhampton. (1925)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained; cocks from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston-gardens, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (1942)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/-; seven days' approval: T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1929)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1912)

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GLUCKE strain Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's, highly trained cocks, 7/6 to 15/-; hens, 3/-; pairs selected; approval: Earnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Roek-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1860)

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YORKSHIRE, 7 hens, 3 cocks, must sell; offers: Robert Coverdale, Brompton, Northallerton. (1947)

FOR sale, Yorkshire Canaries, cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/-; hens, 2/6, 3/- each: W. Renner, Hatfield, Doncaster. (1943)

THIRTY hens to clear, 2/6 each, good value, to be seen any time: 71, Kelvin-rd., Highbury Barn. (1916)

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YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, coloured Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester.

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HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale cheap, cocks or hens, own breeding from my winners; approval: Barfe, Pateley Bridge. (1896)

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PAIR each prize-bred Yorkshires and Borders, 15/- pair; cinnamon-marked cock, 12/-: Brooker, 15, Frome-terr., Dorchester. (1945)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, singing cocks from 5/-, hens 3/-; cages, 10/-; utensils; giving up: 296, Kensington, Liverpool. (1941)

YORKSHIRES, cocks or hens, cheap to clear, cold room; also cages and utensils: Hunt, 26, Graham-rd., Cholmondeley-rd., Pendleton. (1949)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, cocks 5/6, hens 3/-, pairs 7/6; overstocked, no dealers: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1948)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, es, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool.

SALE, ten grand Yorkshires; nine single breeders, complete in rack, cheap to clear: Appleton, 27, Alhion-terrace, Hehden Bridge. (1940)

MUST clear entire stock, prize-bred Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens from 3/-: Goodwin, 136, Warham-st., Kennington, S.E. (1940)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale; cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; inspection invited any evening: F. King, 49, Inworth-st., Battersea. (1950)

NOTICE—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKend, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911)

SEVERAL smart pairs of slim, stylish Yorkshires, rare quality, reasonable; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)

FOR sale, lengthy yellow and buff Yorkshire cocks, 8/6 each; hens 5/- each (1914): Cobley, 69, High-lane, Chorlton-c-Hardy, Manchester. (1942)

THIS year winners, typical unflighted buff cocks, from 7/6 to 100/-; lovely feather, show or stock: Craven, Yelverton-terrace, Plymouth. (1940)

CORRECTLY matched pairs, 12/6; several winners open novice, 15/- each, half value: Johnston, 123, Ferme Park Road, Stroud Green, N. (1945)

SPENCER'S Yorkshires, 5 pairs, 7/- pair, own breeding, cash or deposit; inspection invited: 17, Wood End, Hehden Bridge, Yorkshire. (1943)

YORKSHIRE hens for sale, 5 clear buff, 4/- each; 3 buff Cinn. mkd., 4/- each; Buff ticked, 4/-; clear yellow, 4/-: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (1947)

REDUCING stock; no reasonable offer refused. Pairs, bred from winners, 10/-; cold room: Hall, 134, Branksome-rd., Water Lane, Brixton. (1947)

YORKSHIRES, grand unflighted cocks, bred from 1st Manchester, Glasgow, Leicester, 15/-, 20/-, 30/-; approval: Hirst, Ramshoton-st., Acerrington. (1906)

YORKSHIRE unflighted buff cock, 1st and sp. full class at Dunferies, 30/-; few good unflighted Yorks., from 7/6, B.L. ring: Macready, Jewell, Stranraer. T. C. CRAWHALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

THIRTY high-class Yorkshire, single or pairs, must sell; state wants, seen any night; also few British: W. D. Hall, 124, Sancroft-st., Kennington, London. (1915)

EXTRA, good slim, and quality Yorkshire yellow hen, 15/-, another 7/6; good buff cock 15/-, another 7/6; approval: Lane, 15, Aberdeen-terrace, Bradford. (1940)

WELL matched pairs, grand type and feather, from 12/6 to 30/- pair; odd cocks and hens from 8/6 and 3/6: Larking, 394, Lillie-rd., Fulham, S.W. (1941)

MONSTROUS buff Yorks., stock cock, lovely yellow hen, 17/6 pair; exhibition buff cock, 15/-; exchange British: F. Marsay, Liugdale, Boosbeck. (1949)

LONG, slim, upstanding yellow Yorks, cock, winner, first-class bird, £3 10/-; another unflighted, £1; approval: Lane, 15, Aberdeen-terrace, Bradford. (1940)

TWO yellow Yorkshire cocks, 1913-1914, and three buff hens, all good, long birds, 20/-; or exchange, no rubbish: Liugdale, 29, Marlboro-st., Burnley. (1945)

YORKSHIRES, cocks, from 7/-; hens from 3/6; exchange offers entertained: Robinson, 35, Bessborough Gardens, Vauxhall Bridge-rd., London. (1948)

THIRTY good hens, related to my winners, 3/- each, 10/- for 4; showcase, 3 cages, 7/6; another with 2, 5/-: J. C. Beaumont, Heppworth, Heppworth-field. (1943)

ADVERTISERS SAVE MONEY

By reading the notice on page 326 this week.

Owing to the Christmas Holidays, "CAGE BIRDS" will be on sale next week on Thursday, Dec. 24, and must go to press one day earlier, so all advertisements MUST reach us on Monday, or FIRST POST TUESDAY, Dec. 22, AT LATEST. BE IN TIME.



XMAS HOLIDAYS.

Invitation to all Fanciers.

I beg to offer an invitation to all fanciers to pay me a visit during the Christmas or New Year holidays. I shall be at home all the time, and it will be a pleasure to show anyone round my rooms, whether desiring to purchase or not.

I have a magnificent collection of Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Crests and Crestbreds, Scotch Fancies, British-bred Rollers, Mules, etc., all for sale at reasonable prices, and I defy anyone to give better value. The following are a few prices:—

Champion Norwich, the Bulldog strain, guaranteed direct from my noted winners. Single birds, Cocks or Hens, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Matched Pairs, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/- per pair upwards.

I have also a number of good birds from other well-known strains as follows:—**Smart thick-set Cocks**, in full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Cock Cobby Hens**, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 each. **Matched breeding Pairs**, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair. **Grand lengthly Yorkshire Cocks**, in perfect condition, and on full song, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/- each. **Erect racy Hens**, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6. **Matched breeding Pairs**, 8/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- per pair. **Exhibition Yorkshires**, bred from my own winners, and ready for benching, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/- upwards.

British Rollers, in full rolling song, will please anyone, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- each. Hens, same pure strain, 3/-, 3/6, 4/-, 5/- each. Matched Pairs, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-. If you require any variety of bird come and make your own selection. To those unable to come I am prepared to send one or more birds to any address in the United Kingdom, on 10 days' approval, at my sole risk. I guarantee absolute satisfaction to everyone, or cash returned in full. Send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue. Travelling Cages 3d. extra in all cases. Easy payments arranged with genuine fanciers.

JOE THOMAS Breeder, Exhibitor and Exporter, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks. OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

1914-BRED high-class Yorkshires, colour-fed, mostly clears; cocks, 10/- to 15/-; hens, 5/- to 10/-; exchange entertained: Bleeck, 3, Westbourne-terr., Hove. (1941)

OVERSTOCK Yorkshire cocks, guaranteed, 6/- each, full song quality hens, 2/-; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1952)

FINE Yorkshire Canaries, guaranteed cocks, full song, 4/- each, hens 2/-; 7 days' approval; cash, or deposit; satisfaction given: Radley, 18, Bank-st., Ossett. (1952)

YORKSHIRES, colour-fed, few splendid birds for sale, send price prepared to pay, and requirements; no dealers: Mr. Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1918)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, splendid yellow cock, winner, 25/-; 7in. cinnamon-marked and clear yellow stock hens, 15/-, 20/-: Tansey, 57, Reid-st., Springburn, Glasgow. (1941)

YOUNG vigorous colour-fed exhibition Yorkshires in full song; cocks, 7/6 and 10/6; hens, 3/6; must sell, want room: The Breeder, 222, Ribblesdale-rd., Streatham, S.W. (1943)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, cocks from 6/-, hens 3/-, and upwards; stock or show birds on approval; cash or deposit: G. Hyman, 2, Bells Yard, Mansfield, Notts. (1893)

YORKSHIRES, bred from my Reading and L.C.B.A. (open) winners; pairs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-; approval; cash or deposit: Thomas, Laugley Common Farm, Barkham, Reading. (1947)

CHAS. MORRISON, the Yorkshire Champion, has about 50 pairs Yorkshires for sale, bred from his winners, 8/6 pair; chance in lifetime; stamp reply: Clifton-rd., Brighouse. (1911)

GRAND lot of Yorkshires and Norwich, guaranteed bred from my winners, from 10/6 each; no rubbish offered; cash with order; approval: Olive, Plumber, Sitt'ngbourne. (1911)

R. TINDALE, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires; a few grand, typical, lengthy birds to dispose of cheap; approval, deposit: 6, Gill-st., Benwell, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1932)

C. CATTELL, breeder and exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires; whole stock for sale, including Newcastle winners; pairs from 12/6; approval: 81, Wingrove-rd., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1936)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality; cocks from 5/-; matched pairs, 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-rd., Crosshills, Keighley. (1925)

YORKSHIRES, unflighted clear cocks, 6/6 upwards; yellow and buff hens, 3/6 upwards; few 1913 stock cocks, 8/6; related to my cup winners: Jeffrey Pass, Quick Close, Melbourne, Derby. (1945)

THREE open Selling classes, December 26th; 21 cash prizes (£3 15/-), turkey, and bottle whisky; entrance fee, 1/6; close Dec. 23rd: Particulars from Hodgson, 981, Wakefield-rd., Bradford. (1942)

H. CHARLESWORTH has all his stock of Yorkshires for sale; can be seen any time; show or stock birds at reasonable low prices; satisfaction guaranteed or money returned: Neiley, Honley. (1929)

PRIZE Yorkshires for sale, cheap; few grand show and stock birds, 1914, cold-room bred, in full song; inspection invited; approval: Jones, 15, Mellor-grove, Cornbrook-st., Old Trafford, Manchester. (1942)

THREE pairs of real typical Yorkshires, 12/6 per pair, same strain as my winners L.C.B.A., Tong, Bradford City, etc.; others equally cheap; state wants: Hodgson, 580, Pooley-lane, Bradford, Yorks. (1942)

FIFTY high-class Yorkshires, bred from winners, grand, healthy birds, many of them fit to win; seen any evening; cocks 7/6, hens 5/-; approval; deposit: Radford, 128, Sandy-lane, Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Manchester. (1929)

EXCEPTIONALLY good buff Yorks. cock, 1914, 7/6; ditto, lightly marked, 7/6, 8/6; clear yellow, 7/6; clear buff, 1913, 8/6; grand type, feather, and condition; approval: 15, Dudley-st., Brooks Bar, Manchester. (1942)

PRIZE bred Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, bred from my winners, hens 5/- upwards, cocks 7/6 upwards; cash or deposit; approval with pleasure: Hosken Bros., 85, Main-st., Ilamoor, nr. Penzance Cornwall. (1950)

LONG celebrated Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, several 7in. long; cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6 upwards; hens, 4/6, 6/6, 10/6; approval, carriage paid: Edgar King, Fairfield, Hehden Bridge, Yorkshire. (1948)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires, same strain as winners; cocks, 7/6, 12/6, 15/- upwards; hens, 5/- upwards; large stock birds, from 10/- to 40/- each; approval, deposit: John Radley, 253, King-st., Skelmanthorpe, nr. Huddersfield. (1950)

CLEARANCE—Exhibition birds, grand yellow cock, 12/6; also unflighted yellow cock, 10/6; buff cocks, from 8/6; hens from 3/6; would exchange for large yellow Norwich cock; yours first: 53, Arcadian Gardens, Wood Green. (1946)

MR. A. PICKERING, 91, Mushroom-lane, Sheffield, winner of the Walkley and Dis. and Sheffield and Dis. novice challenge cups, can spare about 12 high-class Yorkshires, both sex, from 15/- a pair; approval with pleasure, deposit. (1944)

YORKSHIRE hens, typical, high quality, 1914 breeding, including winners, bred from winners; twenty prizes won this season three shows; quick sale, being overstocked, 7/6 to 15/- each; few cocks, equal merit, from 15/-: Bonniwell, 63, Highlever-rd., North Kensington. (1927)

UPSTANDING unflighted yellow Yorkshire cock, winner 3rd prize Aberystwyth, 30/-; see report last week's "Cage Birds." Good buff stock birds, over 7in., rare backs and wings, 12/6; smart yellow hen, grand position and fine feather, 15/-; approval: Wotton, King Hill, nr. Bridgend. (1944)

REDUCING stock. A quantity of high-class Yorkshires for sale; cocks and hens, mainly clears, tick, from 10/6 upwards; fit for show and stock; winners of two cups, 1 novice and 1 champion; all in good condition; also outdoor sectional aviary, in good condition, with 2 windows and span roof, 7ft. 6in. by 6ft. by 8ft., lined with 3-ply sheets and lathed-over joints outside, cost £7 17s. 6d.; accept £5 10s.; can be seen any time: Jos. Lanchham, Rose Cottages, Clay-lane, Clay Cross, Chlsterfield. (1945)

OWING to pressure of business am compelled to sell my entire stock of high-class Yorkshires; cocks from 7/-; hens, 3/-; matched pairs, from 10/6; Yorkshire sold by me last month won 1st, 2nd, 5th, 7th at the L.C.B.A. in open competition; state wants; inspection invited: Bennett, 17, Hartley-rd., Leytonstone. (1948)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, 1914, by H. W. Batty (Past President of the Yorkshire Union); absolutely the best handbook dealing with the Yorkshire and its sub-varieties. Contains complete instruction upon pairing, breeding, moulting, and successful exhibiting; also how to treat in both health and disease: "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. (1917)

YELLOW cock, 7 inch, perfect, with buff hen, £1, hen alone worth the money; foul green yellow cock, 7in., the right sort to put colour in your birds, with buff hen, 15/6; several others equally good, cheap; three chubby Norwich hens, two variegated, one clear yellow, 5/- each; call and see them any time: Hadley, 1, Bolton Gardens, Kensal Rise, London. (1947)

YORKSHIRE Canaries, great clearance offer; Harris's special silver cup strain, grand exhibition cocks, yellow or buff, to win in keen competition, only 20/- worth £5; yellow or buff hens, real winners, 15/-, worth £3; grand stock birds, pairs, properly matched, 10/6, 15/-, 20/- and 30/- per pair; single birds from 5/- upwards; two long breeding cages, one with 3 compartments and one with 5 with movable slides, and all necessary fittings for same, cheap: Elsie Orland, West Haddon, Rugby. (1917)

OGDEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winners for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (1950)

GENUINE BARGAINS

Genuine prize-bred Yorkshire cocks, in full song, at the ridiculous low prices, 4/9, 5/3, 5/9, 6/3 each; grand racy hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each; specially matched pairs, for breeding winners, at 8/6, 10/6 upwards. Buy from the breeder and save middlemen's profits. All genuine English, not German rubbish; approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1950)

BANG AT THE TOP

and still pegging away. My Yorkshires have won over 50 first prizes this season, and a large number of specials, including cup for best in show at Bradford National. My winnings for years cannot be approached by any others. If you want to be in the winners another season, try one of my matched pairs at 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; sure to give satisfaction; also some really good pairs at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- per pair; odd cocks or hens in proportion. Come and see them for yourself, or I will send any on approval at my risk for seven days; either cash or deposit; a choice selection of show birds for disposal, including several recent winners, reasonable; state wants: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaris, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1947)

JOE HARROP'S

You cannot do better if in want of birds of high Origin, good quality, length, type, and position. I Recommend this strain as fit for any fancier. Keep this in mind, and if requiring a Yorkshire Send at once and I will satisfy your desires. Hens 10/- upwards; cocks, 20/- upwards; pairs proportionate: 17, Waller-rd., Walkley, Sheffield. (1910)

EASY PAYMENTS

Large stock of high-class Yorkshires, including stock birds and songsters; all birds sent off same day on receiving first payment; send for new illustrated price list and terms, post free; all on seven days' approval; old and only address: J. Taylor, 86, Aireville-rd., Prizingshall, Bradford. (1930)

Do You Want Best Value?

Of course you do! Then here I it, and if you will only give me the opportunity to send on approval any of the following, I will prove it.

PLAIN-HEADED NORWICH Winners and stock as follows:—Cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hen 2/6, 3/-, 4/-; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; show bird, 12/6 to £4 4/-.

YORKSHIRES The Extraordinary Value I am now offering in Yorkshire must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 5/-, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-.

BORDER FANCIES cocks, 5/-, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/-, 3/-, 4/-, N.B.—Included in this large stock are both Cinnamons and Greens. Lizards, Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6. Hens, 3/6, 4/-, 5/-. Travelling Cages in all cases 3d. extra. For all others, send for detailed illustrated Current Price List.

W. RUDD, The Bird NORWICH. Specialist.

30/- FOR 15/- DURING THE WAR.

In order to reduce my large stock of Yorkshire I offer grand yellow and buff stock cocks, over 7in. long, with lovely yellow and buff hens, feathered like silk, properly matched to the above cocks; at half price to effect a quick sale; usual price, 30/- per pair, 15/-; and remember I send them on six days' approval on receipt of cash, or deposit from Editor: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1950)

THE RIGHT STUFF

Champion Yorkshires, grand lengthy Yorkshire cocks in perfect feather and condition and on full song, 7/-, 8/6, 10/- each; erect racy hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6; matched pairs, 12/-, 15/-, 20/-; exhibition Yorkshires, ready for benching, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; I have also Norwich, bred from my winners at all specialist shows, at same price as above; I have also a nice collection of British for song or show: Linnets, 2/- each; Goldfinches, 3/6, 4/6, 5/-; Larks, 1/-; Chaffinches, 2/-; Greenfinches, can win, 2/- each; see my last week's advertisement for testimonials: W. Johnson, Bird Expert, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1945)

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

I have about 40 really grand birds, some fit to win; pairs 10/- to 20/-; single birds proportionate; no fancy prices; approval willingly; offers for lot: Wells (late Wells & Clempson), Helmside, Erdington, Birmingham. (1941)

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES

Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs; cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 30/- each; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each; show cages, 2/- each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London.

Various Canaries.

FOUR clean, healthy Canaries, 6/6 lot; hundred mealworms, 6d.: Venum, 298, Lillie-rd., Fulham. (1951)

THREE cock Canaries, healthy and in full song, 5/- each, or offers: Meadows, 29, Fuller's-st., Kettering. (1941)

1914-BRED grand songsters, colour-fed, 5/- to 7/6; hens, 2/-; exchange entertained: Bleeck, 3, Westbourne-terr., Hove. (1941)

YORKSHIRE cocks for sale, yellow ticked, 6/-; buff Cinn. mkd., 5/6; big green mkd., 6/-: Simpson, Ironmonger, Otley. (1947)

SIX unflighted buff cocks, C.F., 6/- each; on approval: F. Aulsebrook, 10, Brookfield-pl., Derwent-st., Meadows, Nottingham. (1939)

TWO large Norwich cocks, 15/-; Norwich hen, 5/-; Seifert cock, 7/-; first 25/- secures: Claridge, 6, Brixham-rd., Canuing Town. (1947)

MASSIVE C.F. Norwich cock, 7/6; another, 6/-; magnificent brass cage, singing Canary, 8/6: Hainsworth, 11, Nevett-st., Preston. (1939)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires and Norwich; cocks from 5/6; hens from 3/-; exchanges entertained: Ernest Cheshire, 34, Crawford-st., Bradford. (1900)

A FEW winning Borders, Greens, Cinnamons, and Clears, for sale, cheap to clear. See show reports: Gentleman, Avonbridge, Stirlingshire. (1951)

FOR sale Norwich, Yorkshire, and Roller Canaries, good condition, either sex; no reasonable offer refused: Baker, 157, Great Titchfield-st., London, W. (1944)

1914 NORWICH cocks, clear, yellows; also Yorkshire cocks, in green, yellow, marked and buff green marked, 5/- each: Pickles, Shawcroft Aviaris, Wadsworth, Hehden Bridge. (1906)

PARKHEAD winners for sale: 2nd, buff cock, 15/-; 3rd, buff cock, 12/6; 4th, unflighted ticked buff cock, 12/6; 3rd, variegated buff hen, 10/-; 6th, unflighted buff hen, 7/6; also typical buff cock, 10/-: Gilmore, 782, London-rd., Glasgow. (1929)

NORWICH, Bullfinch type, no fancy prices; I have for sale the following high-class birds, large buff cock, ticked on neck, 1st and special at Birmingham, July, 30/-; clear buff cock, 2nds to the above, 25/-; yellow cock, 4ths, certain to breed winners, 20/-; all the above are unflighted; 2 yellow cocks, 1913, grand stock birds, commended Coventry, 15/- each; 2 yellows, cocks, unflighted, bred from my winners, but small, suitable for beginners, 7/6 each; see report "Cage Birds," July 25; money returned if not approved: J. Westwood, Hairdresser, Witton, Birmingham. (1940)

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES

5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 4/-, 4/-, 5/-: Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London.

EXCEPTIONAL OFFER

COCK Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, healthy and in song, with solid brass suspend hanging cage, glass panelled and highly finished, 10/6; easy payments taken: Hope, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1930)

REPEATING ADVERTISEMENTS.

Owing to the number of announcements received we cannot guarantee to repeat advertisements unless the previous issue, Page, and Column are stated by the advertiser. ADVT. MANAGER, "CAGE BIRDS."

MULES—HYBRIDS.

MULES and Hybrids, two classes at Wishaw Open Show on Jan. 1. See advt. TWO dark Goldfinch Canary mules, cocks, aviary bred: G. F. Clarkson, Northallerton. (1952) PINK-EYED hen Canaries, sure light mulers, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each: 134, Havelock-st., Leicester. (1908) COCK Siskin Mule, in good condition and song, 6/6: T. Green, 22, St. Michael-st., West Bromwich. (1949) LARGE young Greenie Mules, 1st, 2nd prize winner, 20/-: Thomas Sharp, Ashfield, Uphall. (1937) WHAT offers for two Goldfinch-Redpoll Hybrids, bred 1914, cold room: Spurr, 15, Abbot-st., Lincoln. ALL my Mules for sale, light and dark, none colour fed, all winners: McVittie, 20, John-st., Langholm. (1940) TWO light Goldfinch Mules, winners, fit to win, 12/6, 10/- each; approval: McNaurn, 7, Carlingwark-st., Castle-Douglas. (1949) TWELVE dark and light Goldfinch and Canary Mules, 7/6 to 30/-; whole or separate: Batson, Walkwood rd., Redditch. GRAND two-year-old cock Linnet Mule, pure Linnet notes, 6/-; exchange cock Goldfinches: Gainford, Calder Bridge, Cumberland. (1942) DARK Goldie Mule, rich colour, 2nd in class of 13 at Dumfries, 20/-; also H.M. Goldie, good one, 12/6: Maeredy, Jeweller, Stranraer. (1949) SMART light variegated Linnet Canary cock Mule, winner many prizes, 25/-, or exchange anything: Oile, 3, Linton-erescent, Hastings. (1949) MONSTER dark Canary Greenfinch Mule, cock 1913 bird; vhc, Clapham, 15/-; muling hens, cheap: Hall, 134, Branksome-rd., Brixton. (1947) SALE, splendid birds, four Linnet Mules, three Goldfinch Mules, two variegated, one clear (cocks): Kelly Cottage, Kilbeggan, Ireland. SIB. bred hen Canaries, the right sort for breeding light Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/- each; cocks 7/0, 10/- each: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester. (1908) NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1852) BEAUTIFULLY marked dark Goldfinch Mule, splendid songster, take 10/6; also 2 clear and 4 marked hen Canaries, 2/- each, 10/- lot: Oshorn, 81, Helens, Wight. (1947) WANTED, singing Mules, good price paid or will exchange for Canaries, British birds, cages or appliances; stamped envelope for reply: C. Palmer and Sons, 352, Upper-st., Islington, London. (1946) THROUGH joining the Army must dispose of two fine exhibition Goldfinches, ready for the bench, proved mulers, 10/6 each: Private A. L. Trickett, Roseleigh, Huntingdon-rd., Earlsdon, Coventry. EXHIBITION Siberian Goldfinch Mule, breeder, show condition, 15/-; h.m. Greenfinch, Mule breeder, large hen Bullfinch, 4/-; cash or deposit: Coulthard, Station-hill, Wigton, Cumberland. (1942) GOLDFINCH Linnet, Siskin, and Greenfinch, Canary mules, cocks in full song, pure wild notes, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6, 15/- each, hen 1/6 each, grand lot of Sib. bred Canaries and special muling birds. See special list free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1951) HIGHEST-GRADE muling hens, clear yellows, grand substance, colour and quality, paired to good Finches they simply must breed exhibition Mules, 10/- and 12/6 each; one extremely large, 20/- Strain equal to any in the Fancy: G. E. Weston, Specialist, 42, Lewisham-rd., London, N.W. TIME, trouble, and money saved! Upon receipt of 1d. stamp, we will send you post free one dozen advertisement forms, and one dozen addressed envelopes. To the regular advertiser—and it is the regular advertiser that makes money—these will be very useful: The Advertisement Manager, "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C.

50 PURE-BRED SIB. HENS

guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; also 89, Selater St., Shoreditch, London.

DOVES.

AUSTRALIAN Bronze-wing Dove for sale, wanted Dwarf Ruddy Turtle hen Dove, also White: Mrs. Paget Stevenson, Hurworth, Darlington. (1946)

FOREIGN BIRDS.

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NOTICE, wanted, Goldfinch Mules, Linnets Mules, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Chaffinches, from catchers: Blackett, 2, Poole-st., New North-rd., London. Letters only. (1905) WANTED, good Norwich hen, must be fit to win in best of company; also unfluffed buff cock; none but the very best need be offered; 63, Wellington-rd., Bridlington. (1939) WANTED, and quantity large fed, also smaller varieties cock, Canaries, full song; state lowest; give 1/- Goldfinch Mules; stamp: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (1944) WANTED large Norwich stock cock, yellow-green, variegated, good head, exchange two buff unfluffed hens, hand-reared exhibition cock Linnets, 15/- lot: John Harvey, Measham, Atherstone. (1945) WANTED, good British weekly from catchers, best prices paid; bankers, London City and Midland; or exchange prize-bred Yorkshires or Norwich, from my winners: Edwin North, Canary Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1950) NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets; reasonable for cash: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. WANTED offers Canaries, Amazon Parrot, gramophone and records, or anything useful; exchange; magnificent new Palace aviary, close wired, glass panels, complete, sell £3; photo sent: Martin, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas. (1951) WANTED 500 Mules, Goldfinch, Linnets, or Siskin, for prompt cash, either sex, money same day as birds arrive, and no waiting; thousands of testimonials for prompt payment: C. Merrington, Bird Specialist, 40, Besson-st., New Cross Gate, S.E. (1940)

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TWO house-mounted Linnets; 2 house-mounted Twites, 1 Lesser Redpoll, 1 Greenfinch, 1 Bullfinch; sell or exchange: James Heenan, 14, Smith Croft, Arbroath (1919)

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SELL or exchange mules, twice H.M. Greenfinch cock, yellow hen Canary, single breeder; two hen Chaffinches, one hen Bullfinch, A.M., single breeder; wanted, cock Bramble and show cage; yours first: Sparks, Westcott, Dorking (1910)

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Mainly Canaries.

EXCHANGE pair good Border Fancy Canaries for pair tyres, 28 x 11, wired: Hind, Lochfield, Annan (1919)

WANTED, offers for 3 cocks and 5 hens, 1914 Yorkshire Canaries: Kaye, 3, Ivy-st., Crosland Moor, Huddersfield (1942)

EXCHANGE two 7-inch buff Yorks, hens for two yellow ditto, or one good one: Tolley, Upper Church-st., Spennymoor (1948)

SIX Goldfinch-Canary Mules, 6/-; 6 warranted cock Canaries 4/- each; take 42 the dozen: Rowley, Elston, Crediton (1944)

GENUINE light muling hen, 3/-; Norwich hens, 3/-; breeding cages, 1/3; Parrot, cage, 2/-; Russon, Colville-st., Burnley (1941)

WANTED pair field-mounted Hawfinches, good size and colour; exchange pair of good Norwich: Welsh, Reform-st., Stamford (1950)

SALE, or exchange, ten Roller cocks, Corkindale strain, 4/6 each; approval; nicely on song: Smith, Birmingham-rd., Studley (1951)

WANTED, Canaries; exchange splendid pedigree Airedale bitches, 5 months and 18 months: Littlehavers, Bishops Stortford (1945)

EXCHANGE yellow cock Lancashire for large yellow cock Siskin or Sib. Goldfinch: Morgan, 4, Lester-st., Streteford, Manchester (1945)

WANTED to exchange one cock Roller Canary for two Norwich hens, yellow preferred: Richardson, 10, Fuller-st., Cleethorpes (1944)

WANTED, pair Seifert Rollers; exchange large 1914 buff Norwich cock, good head, or sell, 20/-; Porteous, Westend, Biggar (1948)

EXCHANGE six Yorkshire, mostly cocks; what offers in Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets: Mains, 65, Shields Road, S.S. Glasgow (1951)

EXCHANGE yellow cinnamon cock, 2 buff cinnamon hens, Borders, for Zebra Finches; offers, sell 15/-: Ayers, 28, York-st., Jarrow (1949)

SALE or exchange, for Norwich Canaries, house-mounted cock Hawfinches, mutual approval: Kistruck, 25, Albert-st., Colchester (1945)

YELLOW Norwich cock, buff hens, exchange for non-flighted Crested hen; approval; yours first: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby (1943)

TWO grand dark cock Greenfinch-Norwich Mules (singing), 4/6 each; exchange for Hartz Rollers: Chapman, Longfield Terrace, Wakefield (1946)

FOR sale, 2 1914 buff Yorkshire Canaries, 10/-, or exchange good melodeon or accordion: John Bell, 3, Pearson's Terrace, Spennymoor (1914)

EXCHANGE good Canaries for a good Dalmatian or a good Toy dog, or Bantams; yours first; approval: J. Henderson, 21, Couffen-sq., Blyth (1949)

DARK C.F. Greenfinch-Canary Mule, 2nd Hanley; exchange large Norwich unflighted yellow hen: Chadwick, 83, Hammersley-st., Hanley, Staffs. (1949)

COCK Goldfinch Mule, Goldfinch song; buff Yorkshire cock, full song, 6/6 each; exchange cock Goldfinches: Stubbs, 23b, Well-st., Winstford, Cheshire (1949)

EXCHANGE, Yorkshire or Norwich cock, from winners, for Norwich show cages, or anything useful: Harradence, Borough Cemetery, Wishech (1946)

EXCHANGE, 6 pairs Norwich Rollers, from 7/6 pair; 3 Linnet Mules, 1/- each; offers for lot wanted: Woodhouse, 21, Millgate, Newark, Notts (1949)

EXCHANGE 1913 Borders, cock and two hens, yellows and buff, for yellow Cinnamon Border cock: J. Smith, 13, Leythwaites Square, Port-rd., Carlisle (1946)

I WILL exchange 3 Yorkshire hens and one cock for a Leipzig Roller, must be a good singer, or sell 15/-: Thomas Simpson, 31, Oxford-st., Leigh, Lancs (1936)

FOUR yellow Yorkshire cocks, 1914, colour-fed, fit to win, 44; exchange all four for unflighted Crested or Crested hen: J. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham (1941)

SIX Canary hens, 1914; 2 Border cocks; what offers Sherrin or British Goldfinches or other offers in cash? Wilson, 29, Townhead, Irvine, Ayrshire, Scotland (1945)

PAIRS: Borders, Yorkshires, 20/6; Norwich, 25/-; Greens, 16/6 to 50/-; Cockatiels, 15/6; songsters, 7/6, 15/-; pet Parrot, 30/-; exchange: Edward Williams, Mountvernon-rd., Liverpool (1949)

WANTED all varieties Canaries, also British and Foreign birds and Mules; will give good exchange in Norwich, Yorkshire, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle Douglas (1949)

FOUR African Owls and one English Owl, three winners, in good company, 30/-; what offers in Mules, Hybrids, or winning British: W. Emmerson, 34, Joyce-square, West Stanley, Co. Durham (1942)

YORKSHIRES (Amblers strain), cocks from 8/6; hens from 3/6; clears and cinnamon-marked, Goldfinch and Linnet Mules, 5/6, or exchange exhibition Goldfinches or anything useful: Firth, Home-st., Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire (1941)

FOR sale, pair Cactus Conures, outdoor aviary, perfect condition, 18/-; two pairs Norwich Canaries, 7/- pair; two cock Goldfinch Mules, 5/- each; or exchange lot for good Norwich Greens: Alex. Storrer, Coalstown, Wemyss, Fifeshire (1939)

SELL or exchange, high-class buff Yorkshire hen, 1913, value 12/6; pair Yorkshires, greens, 2nd prize winners last Liverpool show, value 20/-; pair Yorkshires, yellow cock, buff hen, value 15/-; would exchange either good Norwich to value: Rushton, Moss-st., Prescott (1948)

EXCHANGE two good pairs of Yorkshires, one large yellow Norwich cock, 4 Norwich hens, unflighted, fed, two Norwich show cages and case, Goldfinch songster, sell lot 2 guineas, or exchange gent's gold double albert, or Crests; offers: F. Crawford, Hallett's Gar, Huish, Yeovil (1941)

Mainly Foreign.

BUDGERIGARS, 3/6, breeders, 4/-; cash offers for quantity; exchange: F. Hill, Southwold (1942)

GREY and Red Parrot and cage, exchange gent's lever watch or cinn. Borders; approval: Wm. Livingstone, 188, Hollowell, Whitburn, N.B. (1917)

FINE, unaccounted Amazon Parrot and cage, cost £7 10/-; exchange quantity Canaries, cocks, only, large fed preferred; other useful offers considered, or sell Parrot cheap; particulars, stamp: B. Souces, 32, Bevan-st., Lowestoft (1944)

Miscellaneous.

POMERANIAN dog, black, £1, bargain, or offers: W. F. Swarbrick, Tidewell, Buxton (1943)

FLY rod, with accessories; exchange anything useful: Thompson, 34, Nelson-st., Kirkcaldy (1947)

EXCHANGE suit lengths, costume lengths, for live stock: Gaunt, I, Kric-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds (1939)

EXCHANGE pure-bred Croad Langshan cockerel for Canaries, or sell 7/6: W. Stone, Highfield, Southampton (1949)

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SALE or exchange a good rough-hair Fox Terrier for Linnet cages: Jonah Ball, 11, Rydal-st., Leigh, Lancashire (1931)

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CHAMPION pedigree wire Terrier bitch, 25/-; exchange Canaries or Parrot: Bowling, 20, Neate-st., Camberwell, S.E. (1940)

LARGE drawing-room aviary for sale, or exchange anything useful; particulars: Costello, 26, Dalby-st., Kentish Town (1941)

BLACK English doe, winner two 2nds, 7/6, or exchange for good cock Yorkshire Canary: Shread, 8, Beaufort-pl., Bath (1939)

EXCHANGE large dome Palace aviary, complete, for Belgian hares, or sell 7/6, no rubbish: Allen, London-rd., Bognor (1947)

EXCHANGE Coronation Harp, cost 25/-, nearly new, for pair of 1914 good Canaries: Gillman, Kingston-rd., Luton, Beds (1945)

BORDER cock, full song, 5/-; four feeding hens, 2/6 each; exchange poultry; offers: Kenzie, 8, High-st., Prestonpans (1939)

SMOOTH-COATED black retriever dog, trained to gun; exchange for Canaries, or offers: Oakey, 11, Dean-st., Newport (1944)

NICE Yorkshire terrier dog, six months, good pedigree, 21/-; exchange cock Canaries: 17, Church-st., Accrington (1945)

LARGE oil stove, two lamps, as new, 35/-; exchange for Glucke schoolmaster and hen: Perry, Gresham-rd., Edgware (1940)

SALE or exchange, high-class lop rabbits, for Canaries, 1914 birds, well bred: E. Saxon, 27, Oxford-rd., Smethwick (1944)

WANTED, pair Golden Sebrights, Bantams; exchange yellow Norwich cock, Vardy's, with show cage: Cook, Pembroke (1943)

GEM air rifle, 25/-, sell 15/-, splendid condition; or exchange pair good Norwich: Delasalle, 122, Dyson's-rd., Edmonton (1947)

EXCHANGE fine pedigree Airedale bitch (free service given), for Norwich Canaries: W. James, 75, Longside-lane, Bradford (1942)

HALF-BRED Lurcher dog pup, three months, 8/6; exchange double breeding cages: W. Backlog, Folly-rd., Wymondham, Norfolk (1946)

GENT'S tweed overcoat, with belt, nearly new; exchange cock Canaries, cock Mules: Tomson, 111, High-rd., Willesden Green (1947)

EXCHANGE 12 double-sided Zonophone records for cock Canaries or few dozen Linnets, cocks: Holmes, 19, Henrietta-st., Blackburn (1951)

EXCHANGE 3 Yorkshire show cages, for one good house-mounted cock Goldfinch; yours first: Lightly, Chevington Drift, Acklington (1947)

ROYAL piano harp, sell £2; exchange gramophone and records, mutual approval: J. Livingstone, 7, Hunters-close, Whitburn, N.B. (1947)

EXCHANGE, championi whippet bitch, true to rag, for pair large Norwich; yours first: Thomas Saunders, 68, Georges-st., Ayr (1947)

NEW chair bedstead, with cushions, cut-glass cruet (six bottles); offers cash, live stock: Hall, "Touchwood," Stanley-rd., Cambridge (1942)

VIOLIN, bow, case, tutor, folding stand, 30/-; mandoline and case, 12/6; exchange Canaries, Budgerigars: 65, Ewart-rd., Nottingham (1952)

EXCHANGE book Canaries, British, Hybrids, for singing Canaries or Mules, sell 15/-: Thomas, Hairdresser, Blaenlydach, Rhondda (1950)

EXCHANGE, ten Blue Turbit pigeons, for six Bullfinches; what offers in British or foreign birds: Gibson Mincer, Leslie, Fifeshire (1945)

TWO cocks, three hens, three double cages, one fight, 25/-; phonograph, 30 records, 30/-; Hoggard, 45, Kilburn-st., Linacre, Liverpool (1945)

PRIZE-BRED fox terrier dog, six champions, in pedigree, 30/-; exchange jewellery or Canaries: Windle, 19, Clayton-st., Barnoldswick (1945)

GRAND open Dutch marked cavies, winning blood, 12/6, or exchange good pair Yorkshires, or Norwich: Harrison, St. Mark's-st., Leeds (1947)

NEARLY pure bred Pom., lovely pet, good house dog, 13 months, 25/-; exchange gramophone, Canaries; anything: Palfrey, Dronfield (1947)

QUARTER-PLATE camera, hand or stand, accessories, £1; exchange four Roller cocks, in song: Windle, Clayton-st., Barnoldswick (1945)

LADY'S silver watch and chain, cost £2 2/-; new razor, 12/6; offers, Norwich, Crests, British: Stothard, 81, Beaconsfield-st., Darlington (1949)

EXCHANGE 10 volumes of Cassell's Encyclopaedia, new, cost £3 10s., for singing cock Canaries; yours first: Elliott, 318a, Kennington-rd., London (1938)

EXCHANGE 30 good books for Canaries, offers; glazier's diamond in leather case, value 15/-, for 3 good Norwich hens: King, 1, Ivy-avenue, Bath (1940)

SINGER sewing machine, in thorough working order; exchange for gramophone records; offers: Rawlings, 5, Sherborne-st., Islington, London (1940)

EXCHANGE pair Yorkshires for Budgerigars, also dandelion seed, sell, exchange good Canary seed: Miss Mumford, 2, Ashland-terr., Ilkley, Yorks (1943)

LARGE silver-mounted calabash pipe (London made), nearly new; 2 good stylo pens, exchange birds; yours first: Mills, 34, Sutton-rd., Wallasey (1941)

MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

LAISTERDYKE BOWLING AND TONG.—Nov. 7. Mr. F. Self judged, and gave complete satisfaction. The principal winners were: CHAMP.: Symes, Casey, Gledhill, Padgett, Gledhill, Atkinson and Birker, Hodgson, sen., Hodgson, jun., Varley, Swaine, Baker Bros., Bleazard, Riley Bros. NOVICE: Holt Bros., Sharp, Russell, Wood and Mirfield, Jowett and Robertshaw, Pownall, Aspeden Bros., Wardman. Next show Jan. 2.—J. E. Hudson.

DUNFERMLINE C.B.S.—Nov. 7. Mr. J. M'Leay judged Canaries, and Mr. Pettigrew the remainder. Winners of specials were: M'Leay, cup and gold medal for best 6 nominated birds, rose bowl and sp., most points Canaries, sp. best Crest, sp. best C.B.; Campbell, rose bowl and sp., most points Brit., and sp. best Brit.; Kilpatrick, best young Bord. and best Mule or Hyb.; Smith, best Nor.; Grewar, best Nor.; Pringle, best cl. Bord.; Burt and Baxter, best A.O.V. Bord.; Adamson, 2nd best Brit.; Kennoway, 3rd best Brit. From the newspaper cutting received we gather that the principal winners were: CREST AND C.B.: M'Leay, Howie, Burt and Baxter, Rae, Kemp. NOR.: Smith, M'Leod, Strachan, Grewar, Wildridge, Penman, Scobie, Watt. BORD.: Kennoway, Cumming, Campbell, Burt and Baxter, Kilpatrick, Guthrie, Pringle, Anderson, Warwick, Guthrie, Morrison. YORKS.: Campbell. BRIT.: Campbell, Kilpatrick, Morrison, Kennoway, Grewar, Anderson, Watt, Muir, Warwick, Adamson, Guthrie, Rankine. MULES: Campbell, Kennoway, M'Leay. FOR.: Rankine, Watt.

FALKIRK O.S.—Annual show, Nov. 7. Oddfellow's Hall. 220 birds were staged, quality being quite up to average. Mr. A. Patterson judged Scotch Fancies, Mr. R. Price and Mr. G. Smart the remainder. F. Strathearn won Scotch Fancy cup, J. Sharp Norwich cup, D. Buchan Bord. and Mule cup. We take the following names of the principal winners from the marked catalogue sent by Mr. W. Niven:—SCOTCH FANCY: Strathearn, Young, Stirling, Maxwell, Simpson, Strathearn, jun., Miller, Carlaw, Turnbull, Reid, Hamilton. NOR.: Buchan, Reid, Hutton, Pratts. CRISTS: Wright, Sharp, M'Dougall. C.B.: Sharp, Wright, M'Dougall.

HARTLEPOOL.—Nov. 7, 120 entries. Special winners: Cup most points Yorks., E. E. Pyman; Brit., Wright; best Nor. and best bird, H. D. Pyman; best Yorks., Naylor; best Mule or Brit., Hall; most points Nor., Ronald. Mr. A. Wake judged. From newspaper cutting received we gather that other principal winners were: NOR.: Robinson. YORKS.: Thornton. BRIT.: Stankey.

BOLTON ROLLER C.S.—Members' contest, Nov. 14. Mr. Massey judged. CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS: 1, Johnson; 2, Wareing; 3, Ridings; 4, Kilshaw. NOV.: 1, Rothwell; 2, Fliteroff; 3, Derbyshire; 4, Eastham; vhc. Hill; hc. Scott; c. Smith. CHAMP. ANY AGE: 1, Wareing; 2, Meadows; 3, Johnson; 4, Derbyshire.

SOWERBY BRIDGE C.B.S.—Cock birds only, Nov. 14. Mr. R. E. Helliwell judged. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Stobart; 2, 4, vhc. hc. Mitchell; 3, Walker; c. Sutcliffe and Highley. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, 4, Mitchell; vhc. c. Sutcliffe and Highley; hc. Walker. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Stobart; 2, 4, Mitchell; 3, Walker; vhc. Sutcliffe and Highley. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Wild; 2, 4, vhc. Thornton; 3, Twycross; hc. Hardy; c. Parker. BUFF: 1, 3, Hardy; 2, hc. Thornton; 4, vhc. Wild; c. Parker. EVEN, ETC.: 1, Hardy; 2, Wild; 3, Thornton; 4, Twycross; vhc. Parker. CINN. OR GR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Thornton. NOR. BUFF: 1, 2, Thornton.—G. Mitchell, Sec.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE C.B.A.—Table show, Nov. 11. 80 entries. Mr. W. Swaysland judged. Secs. were Messrs. W. H. Gibb and G. B. Absolon. Special winners: Best Yorks., Dandridge; 2, Gibb; best Nor., Ollie; best Nov. Can., Absolon; 2, Firth; best A.O.V. and best 1914 A.O.V., Mrs. H. T. Gibb; best hen, Oakshott; Non-fed Williams; best birds by 1914 member, Oakshott; best Brit., James; best vhc. Brit., Miss Mantell; best F.M. Brit., Morrish; best Goldf., James; Linnet, James; Greenf., Morrish. CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Dandridge; 2, 3, Wall. BUFF: 1, sp. 2, Dandridge. A.O. YORKS.: 1, sp. 2, Gibb; 3, Wall. CL. YELL. NOR.: 1, sp. Ollie. BUFF: 1, Ollie; 2, Dean; 3, Miss Mantell; vhc. Rev. Miller. A.O. NOR.: 1, Ollie; 2, Gibb. NOV.: 1, sp. Absolon; 2, sp. Firth; 3, sp. Williams; vhc. c. Oakshott; hc. Morrish. CREST, C.B. OR LANC.S.: 1, vhc. Ruyoun; 2, Gibb; 3, Ollie; hc. Dean; c. Wall. A.O.V.: 1, 2 sps, 3, Mrs. Gibb; 2, Gibb; vhc. hc. Brown; c. Loomes. HEN: 1, sp. Oakshott; 2, Goord; 3, Ruyoun; vhc. Williams; hc. Firth; c. Wall. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, sp. 2, James; 3, Brown; vhc. Miss Mantell; hc. Firth. LINNET: 1, sp. James; 2, Miss Mantell; 3, Miles. GREENF.: 1, sp. Morris; 2, James; 3, Gibb; vhc. Brown; hc. Miss Mantell. CHAFFINCH: 1, James; 2, Miss Mantell. A.O. BRIT.: 1, 2, Gibb; 3, Dean; vhc. hc. Burden. F.M. A.V.: 1, sp. Morris; 2, Miss Mantell; 3, Gibb; vhc. Miles. MULE: 1, James; 2, Gibb; 3, hc. Williams; vhc. Firth; c. Goord.

MANNINGHAM C.B.A.—Nov. 7, 75 entries. Mr. J. W. Dewhurst judged, and gave every satisfaction. CLASS 1: 1, Moore; 2, Lung; 3, Neeson. CLASS 2: 1, sp. Neeson; 2, Darwin and Cody; 3, Moore. CLASS 3: 1, Moore; 2, Ward; 3, Terry. CLASS 4: 1, 3, Neeson; 2, Terry. CLASS 5: 1, H. Grange; 2, A. Grange. CLASS 7: 1, Leather; 2, Terry; 3, F. Grange. CLASS 8: 1, sp. best bird, Brown; 2, Moore; 3, 4, Graham. CLASS 11: 1, Terry; 2, Hellas; 3, Neeson.—H. Grange, Sec.

BRAMLEY O.S.—Nov. 14. Mr. Chambers judged the 69 birds staged, and gave every satisfaction. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Thornton; 2, Steel; 3, Mitchell; vhc. Bolton. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Thornton; 2, Steel; vhc. c. Page; hc. Mitchell. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Baldwinson; 2, vhc. Page; 3, Mitchell; hc. Bolton. BUFF (3): 1, 2, 3, Page. MKD. YELL. CK. (1): 1, Baldwinson. MKD. BUFF HEN (1): 1, Baldwinson. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Page; 2, Baldwinson; 3, hc. Thornton; vhc. Mitchell; c. Bolton. NOR. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (4): 1, vhc. Steel; 2, 3, Wilson. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Baldwinson. BUFF (4): 1, vhc. Steel; 2, 3, Baldwinson. UNFLIG. (3): 1, 2, Steel; 3, Baldwinson. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (5): 1, 2, 3, Jones; vhc. hc. Wilson. LINNET (7): 1, 2, c. Moore; 3, hc. Wilson; vhc. Jones. REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, 3, vhc. Jones; 2, Wilson. GREENF. (3): 1, Wilson; 2, 3, Jones. A.O. BRIT.: 1, vhc. c. Wilson; 2, 3, hc. Jones. MULE OR HYB. (6): 1, 2, 3, Wilson; vhc. hc. Jones. Most points: Messrs. Thornton and Page 20 pts. each in Yorks.; Steel 15, Baldwinson 7, Wilson 5, Nor.; Wilson 28, Jones 25, Moore 12, Brit.—F. Page, Hon. Sec.

HUDDESFIELD O.S.—Nov. 9. 53 birds. Judge, Mr. E. Ellis. YORKS. YELL. CK. (10): 1, 3, Lawford and Son; 2, vhc. F. Sykes; hc. c. H. A. Radley. BUFF (11): 1, Morris; 2, Bettle and Copland; 3, vhc. F. Sykes; hc. Lawford and Son; c. Cawtheray and Son. YELL. HEN (10): 1, Lawford and Son; 2, 3, c. Cawtheray and Son; vhc. Bettle and Copland; hc. F. Sykes. BUFF (9): 1, 2, F. Sykes; 3, Whitehead; vhc. H. A. Radley; hc. Cawtheray and Son;

c. Bittle and Copland. CINN. MKD. (2): 1, Cox; 2, Seedhouse. HEN (3): 1, Morris; 2, Bettle and Copland; 3, Wood. NOR. (8): 1, 2, Jackson, 3, Morris; vhc. hc. c. Cawtheray and Son. Next show Dec. 19.—A. Lawford, Sec.

BURNLEY C.B.S.—Nov. 11, 76 entries. Mr. T. Dent judged. CHAMP. NOR. YELL. (5): 1, 2, 3, T. Lingard; vhc. Huggins; hc. J. Langard. BUFF (7): 1, 2, c. T. Lingard; 3, J. Lingard; vhc. Aspin; hc. Hayhurst. HEN: 1, J. Aspin. UNFLIG. (16): 1, 2, vhc. T. Lingard; 3, Wilkinson; hc. Hayhurst; c. J. Lingard. HEN (13): 1, c. J. Lingard; 2, vhc. hc. T. Lingard; 3, Huggins. NOV. CK. (2): 1, Wilkinson; 2, Wharton; 3, Midgley; vhc. Spencer; hc. Shorrocks; c. Todd. HEN (5): 1, vhc. Midgley; 2, Shorrocks; 3, Hargreaves; hc. Moorhouse. BRIT. HARDBILL (7): 1, 2, vhc. c. Holden; 3, Hargreaves; hc. Wilkinson. GIFT (7): 1, Hayhurst; 2, Huggins; 3, T. Lingard; vhc. Wharton; hc. J. Lingard; c. Wilkinson. Arbuthnot rose bowl best bird, breeder's challenge cup, and medal, T. Lingard.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.—Nov. 11, 78 birds. Mr. S. Wilcock judge. Sp. best bird, Alred; points for cup and medals to date: Champ., Goodwin 46, Mason 80, Dykes 55, Bloomfield 49; nov., Bryant 71, Fretwell 66, Powell 43, Ellis 42, Alred 42, Burgess 37. CHAMP., YELL. CK. (5): 1, c. Shepherd; 2, 4, Goodwin; 3, Mason; vhc. Boocock; hc. Bloomfield. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Goodwin; 3, vhc. Mason; 4, Shepherd; hc. Bloomfield. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Mason; 2, 3, Bloomfield; 4, Boocock; vhc. Shepherd. BUFF (4): 1, 2, Mason; 3, Bloomfield; 4, Boocock. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (8): 1, c. Bryant; 2, Burgess; 3, Ellis; 4, Pullan; vhc. Alred; hc. Powell. BUFF (7): 1, Fretwell; 2, Bryant; 3, 4, Pullan; vhc. Burgess; hc. Ellis; c. Myers. MKD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, sp. Alred; 2, Ellis; 3, Fretwell. UNFLIG. (6): 1, Burgess; 2, Fretwell; 3, c. Myers; 4, Bryant; vhc. hc. Powell. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Bryant; 2, 3, Powell; 4, Pullan; vhc. Fretwell; hc. Myers; c. Alred. BUFF (9): 1, Bryant; 2, Alred; 3, Ellis; 4, Fretwell; vhc. Powell; hc. Walker; c. Pullan. MKD. (5): 1, Alred; 2, Pullan; 3, Burgess; 4, Powell; vhc. Ellis. FOUL MKD. CK. (3): 1, H. Shepherd; 2, Bryant; 3, Alred. HEN (1): Ellis. H. Bryant, Hon. Sec.

LEICESTER C.B.S.—Nov. 18. Mr. Gibbins judged. OPEN NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, hc. Day; 3, vhc. c. Claypole and Crane. HEN: 1, Claypole and Crane; 2, Day. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Tyers; 3, Brooks; vhc. Ashby. HEN, UNFLIG.: 1, 3, West; 2, vhc. Tyers; hc. Ashby. LINNET: 1, West; 2, Brooks; 3, Hester. MULE OR HYB.: 1, vhc. Hester; 2, hc. Brooks; 3, Hardbattle.—J. Hardbattle, Sec.

MIDDLESBROUGH AND TEES-SIDE C.B.S.—Nov. 21, 129 entries. Judges, Mr. Wright (Canaries), Mr. Marwood (British and Mules). Special winners: Most entries, Bibby; best bird and best Nor., Carr; unflig. Nor., Watson; unflig. Yorks., Taylor; most points novice, Bibby. Principal winners, as per catalogue received: YORKS.: Taylor, Rand, Swinco. NOR.: Carr, Wake, Watson, Gibson, Turner, Rand. MULES: Carr, Hanson. BRIT.: Wake, Carr, Taylor, Hanson, Smurthwaite. NOVICES: Firth, Dods-worth, Bibby, Dean.

BURTON-ON-TRENT C.B.S.—Nov. 21, about 80 birds. Challenge bowl won by Mr. T. Draper, 23 points; runner-up, Mr. Crouch, 22. Mr. Noakes (Leicester) judged and gave general satisfaction. CHALLENGE BOWL YELL.: 1, c. T. Draper; 2, Ford; 3, Wood; 4, hc. Elliott; vhc. Hathaway. BUFF: 1, Hathaway; 2, 3, vhc. Crouch; 4, c. Elliott; hc. Draper. NOR. CL. YELL.: 1, Bond; 2, Ford; 3, Crouch. BUFF: 1, 3, Hathaway; 2, Ford; vhc. Lee; hc. Draper. TKD. OR VARIET. YELL.: 1, Elliott; 2, Hathaway; 3, England. BUFF: 1, 2, Hathaway; 3, Lee; vhc. hc. Bond. HEAVY VAR. OR GR.: 1, 3, Hathaway; 2, Elliott. HEN, YELL.: 1, Bond; 2, Lee; 3, Hathaway; vhc. Lee; hc. Stevens. BUFF: 1, Wood; 2, England; 3, Ford; vhc. Hathaway; hc. Stevens. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Ford; 2, Wood; 3, c. Elliott; vhc. Hathaway; hc. Draper. BUFF: 1, Hathaway; 2, 3, hc. Crouch; vhc. Elliott; c. Draper. UNFLIG. HEN: 1, Draper; 2, Elliott; 3, Wood; vhc. c. Emery; hc. Hathaway. NAT. COL.: 1, Hathaway; 2, Emery. PAIRS: 1, Ford; 2, Draper; 3, Hathaway. HARDBILL: 1, Ford; 2, Capewell. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Draper.—C. Draper.

LEEDS R.C.C.—Members' show in place of annual show, abandoned, Lockhart's, 55, Briggate. 54 entries. Judged by Mr. Roebuck and Mr. Walton. Mr. Ives again won the Leeds challenge cup. CHAMP. YOUNG BIRDS (Judge, Mr. Roebuck): 1, 2, 3, Ives, 31, 29, 29 pts; vhc. Best, 28. NOV. (Judge, Mr. Walton): 1, 5, Atkinson, 26, 20; 2, Roberts, 22; 3, Heron, 21; 4, Thwaites, 21; vhc (2), Hallam, 20 each; hc. Boyd 19, Wisnedge 19. OPEN ANY AGE (Judge, Mr. Roebuck): 1, Bew, 32; 2, Roberts, 30; 3, Ives, 28; 4, Kramer, 27.

TONG C.B.S.—Nov. 21, 83 birds were judged by Mr. Stables. CHAMP. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (9): 1, 2, Casey; 3, Hodgson, sen.; 4, Gledhill. BUFF (4): 1, 4, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Bedford; 3, Ramsbottom. MKD. CK. (8): 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, 3, Padgett; 4, Baker Bros. UNFLIG. (4): 1, Gledhill; 2, Padgett; 3, Baker Bros.; 4, Hodgson, sen. YELL. HEN (9): 1, Gledhill; 2, Hodgson, jun.; 3, Hodgson, sen.; 4, Pacey. BUFF: 1, Atkinson and Firth; 2, Hodgson, sen.; 3, Bedford. MKD. HEN (5): 1, 3, 4, Padgett; 2, Nicholl. NOV. CL. OR TKD. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 4, Jowett and Robertshaw; 3, Russell. MKD. CK. (8): 1, Holt Bros.; 2, 4, Jowett and Robertshaw; 3, Aspden Bros. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 3, Aspden Bros.; 2, Jowett and Robertshaw; 4, Holt Bros. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 3, Jowett and Robertshaw; 2, Russell; 4, Holt Bros. BUFF (7): 1, 2, 4, Holt Bros.; 2, Aspden Bros.; 3, Jowett and Robertshaw. MKD.: 1, E. Wright.—W. Walker, Sec.

CITY OF BRADFORD O.S.—Nov. 21. The Flying Dutchman, Mr. J. Wilcock, jun., judged the 113 birds. OPEN YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 2, Elsegood; 3, 4, Helliwell; vhc. Horsfield; hc. Ludbrook. BUFF (5): 1, 2, Elsegood; 3, Helliwell; 4, hc. Horsfield. A.O.V. CK. (3): 1, Elsegood; 2, Ludbrook; 3, Horsfield. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 2, 4, Helliwell; 3, Elsegood. BUFF (8): 1, 4, hc. c. Helliwell; 2, vhc. Horsfield; 3, Ludbrook. A.O.V. HEN (2): 1, Elsegood; 2, Horsfield. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Symes; 2, c. Bower; 3, hc. Pallaman; 4, vhc. Simonett. BUFF (6): 1, 4, Bolton and Lunn; 2, 3, Bower; vhc. hc. Pallaman. A.O.V. CK. (4): 1, 3, Bower; 2, Wood; 4, Copland. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (8): 1, vhc. hc. Symes; 2, 3, Bolton and Lunn; 4, Wood; c. Simonett. BUFF (7): 1, 3, 4, Symes; 2, Wood; vhc. Simonett; hc. c. Bolton and Lunn. A.O.V. HEN (7): 1, hc. Wood; 2, Symes; 3, Bower; 4, Simonett; vhc. Pallaman; c. Copland. OPEN NOR. CL. OR TKD. CK. (9): 1, Morement; 2, 3, hc. Plowright; 4, vhc. Airton; c. Roe. A.O.V. CK. (3): 1, Plowright; 2, Morement; 3, Roe. UNFLIG. HEN (4): 1, 2, 4, Plowright; 3, Roe. A.V. HEN (5): 1, 2, vhc. Airton; 3, hc. Morement; 4, Roe; c. Plowright. NOV. CL. OR TKD. CK. (4): 1, c. Kaberry; 2, Atkinson; 3, Simonett; 4, Lythell; vhc. hc. Betts. A.O. CK. (2): 1, 2, Lythell. UNFLIG. HEN (5): 1, Kaberry; 2, Simonett; 3, Betts; 4, Lythell; vhc. Jenkins. A.O. HEN (4): 1, 2, Simonett; 3, Kaberry; 4, Junkinson.—W. Helliwell, Sec.

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USHAW MOOR WORKMEN'S CLUB.—Dec. 5, 117 entries. Mr. J. Stanger judged. NOR. CK. 1, ep. best Nor. Briggs; 2, Russell and Teasdale. HEN. 1, 3, Briggs; 2, Russell and Teasdale. YELL. CK. 1, 1, 2, Russell and Teasdale; 3, Briggs. BUFF. 1, Russell and Teasdale; 2, 3, Briggs. HEN. 1, 3, Briggs; 2, Russell and Teasdale. YORKS. CK. 1, 2, Sanders; 3, Morrice. HEN. 1, Russell and Teasdale; 2, Farrow; 3, Sanders. BORD. BUFF. 1, 2, 3, Hanson and Scorer. YELL. 1, 3, Hanson and Scorer; 3, Foster. CREST. 1, Blake; 2, Hanson and Scorer. C.B. 1, 3, Hanson and Scorer; 3, Young. PAIRS: 1, Briggs; 2, Hanson and Scorer; 3, Russell. A.A.V. 1, Foster; 2, Hanson and Scorer. MULE: 1, Farrow; 2, Morrice; 3, Briggs. LINNET: 1, 2, Foster; 3, Blake. GREENF. 1, Foster; 2, Russell and Teasdale; 3, Farrow. RED-POLL, ETC.: 1, 2, Vickers; 3, Morrice. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Russell and Teasdale; 2, Foster; 3, Saunders.

GREAT HORTON O.S.—Nov. 14, Club-house, 53 birds. Mr. D. Sutcliffe judged. CL. YELL. YORKS. 1, Crabtree; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Hartley; 4, Fieldhouse. BUFF. 1, Hanson; 2, Hunter; 3, Shackleton; 4, vhc, Hartley. TKD. YELL.: 1, Hartley; 2, Fieldhouse. BUFF.: 1, Hartley; 2, 3, Shackleton. GR. MKD. CK.: 1, Lister and Hudson; 2, 4, vhc, Midgley; 3, Peace; hc, Hunter. HEN.: 1, 2, Hunter; 3, vhc, Midgley; 4, Lister and Hudson. UNFLIG. YELL. CK.: 1, F. Self; 2, Peace; 3, E. Self. BUFF.: 1, F. Self; 2, Crabtree; 3, Lister and Hudson; 4, Shackleton; vhc, E. Self. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN.: 1, 3, Crabtree; 2, Hanson; 4, Peace; vhc, Fieldhouse; hc, F. Self; c, E. Self. BUFF.: 1, E. Self; 2, Fieldhouse; 3, Hartley; 4, F. Self; vhc, Peace. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN.: 1, Hartley. BUFF.: 1, 2, Midgley; 3, Lister and Hudson; 4, Hartley.—J. Holroyd, Sec.

BRADFORD EAST O.S.—4th members' show, Nov. 17, Park Chapel Schools, 114 birds. Mr. L. C. Casey judged. Most points champ.: Walker, Stables, Farrar, and Laycock; Nov.: Taylor Bros., Walker, Bousfield, Taylor, and Hargreaves. Wilkinson Bros. and Taylor Bros. tied for 1 and 2 most entries. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, 3, Walker; 2, 4, Northrop. BUFF. (4): 1, Laycock; 2, 4, Wilkinson Bros.; 3, Stables. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, 4, hc, Farrar; 2, Northrop; 3, vhc, Walker. BUFF. (6): 1, 3, vhc, hc, Farrar; 2, Walker; 4, Wilkinson Bros. EVEN OR UNEVEN (4): 1, 4, Wilkinson Bros.; 2, 3, Northrop. YELL. HEN. (11): 1, 4, hc, Laycock; 2, Stables; 3, Northrop; vhc, hc, Walker. BUFF. (12): 1, Walker; 2, hc, Stables; 3, Wilkinson Bros.; 4, vhc, Laycock; c, Northrop. EVEN OR UNEVEN HEN. (9): 1, Walker; 2, 3, c, Wilkinson Bros.; 4, vhc, Laycock; hc, Stables. NOV. YELL. (8): 1, Hargreaves; 2, vhc, Taylor Bros.; 3, Walker; 4, Wroe; hc, Spencer; c, Bousfield. TKD. BUFF. (7): 1, hc, Taylor Bros.; 2, vhc, Myers; 3, c, Taylor; 4, Wheelwright. UNFLIG. YELL. (2): 1, Wroe; 2, Wheelwright. BUFF. (7): 1, Walker; 2, 4, Taylor; 3, Verity; vhc, c, Wheelwright; hc, Taylor Bros. UN-EVEN (9): 1, 3, Taylor Bros.; 2, 4, Bousfield; vhc, Walker; hc, c, Verity. YELL. HEN. (7): 1, 4, Taylor Bros.; 2, Walker; 3, Hargreaves; vhc, c, Wheelwright; hc, Wroe. BUFF. (9): 1, vhc, Spencer; 2, Walker; 3, Wheelwright; 4, Wroe; hc, Bousfield; c, Taylor Bros. EVEN OR UNEVEN HEN. (8): 1, 3, Bousfield; 2, hc, Taylor Bros.; 4, Hargreaves; vhc, Walker; c, Myers.—Wm. Cruise, Sec.

LAISTERDYKE B.F.A.—5th members' show, Railway Hotel, Nov. 14. Mr. W. Wharton judged 75 birds. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, Symes; 2, Padgett; 3, Gledhill; 4, Orme. BUFF. (11): 1, F. Wharton; 2, Orme; 3, Symes; 4, Gledhill. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN. (10): 1, 2, 3, Symes; 4, Gledhill. BUFF. (9): 1, Varley; 2, 3, Symes; 4, Orme. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (6): 1, 3, Symes; 2, 4, Reeds and Longley. BUFF. (6): 1, 4, Reeds and Longley; 2, 3, Symes. MKD. (6): 1, Pownall; 2, Symes; 3, 4, Reeds and Longley. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. HEN. (7): 1, 4, Symes; 2, 3, Reeds and Longley. MKD. (8): 1, 4, Pownall; 2, 3, Reeds and Longley. Competition to date: Champ.: Symes 58 points, Gledhill 59, Swaine 47, Chippendale 47, Orme 46; nov.: Symes 83, Pownall 68, Reeds and Longley 64, and Symes and Syles 105 points each for cup.—W. H. Symes.

YORK. C.B.S.—Headquarters, Nov. 20, 160 birds were staged. Mr. Mundell judged. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Robinson; 2, 3, Wright. BUFF.: 1, Humphries; 2, Robinson; 3, Shorney. HEN.: 1, Robinson; 2, Shorney; 3, Wright. CK. 1914: 1, 3, Humphries; 2, Robinson. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Moffatt; 2, Simeson. BUFF. CK.: 1, Moffatt; 2, Camplain; 3, Simeson. HEN.: 1, Moffatt; 2, Simeson; 3, Camplain. CK. 1914: 1, ep, 3, Moffatt; 2, Simeson. NOV. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Barry Drew; 3, Robinson. BUFF.: 1, Cass; 2, 3, Barry Drew. HEN.: 1, 2, Barry Drew; 3, Caroline. CK. 1914: 1, Barry Drew; 2, Jessop; 3, Caroline. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Sayles; 2, Lintoot; 3, Shepherd. BUFF.: 1, 2, Sayles; 3, Lintoot. HEN.: 1, Marshall; 2, Lintoot; 3, Shepherd. CK. 1914: 1, 3, Sayles; 2, Lintoot. FOR. LARGE: 1, Zimmermann; 2, 3, Sissons. SMALL: 1, 2, 3, Zimmermann. GOLDF. 1, King; 2, Sissons; 3, Fowler. BULLE: 1, Shorney; 2, King; 3, Marshall. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Jefferson; 2, Zimmermann; 3, Fowler. BRIT. HEN.: 1, 3, Sissons; 2, Jefferson.—V. G. F. Zimmermann.

ECCELSHILL C.B.A.—Nov. 21, Fountain Inn, 63 birds. Mr. M. Broadley judged. YELL. YORKS. (5): 1, Chippendale; 2, 4, Stebbings; 3, Pearson; vhc, Wilcock. BUFF. (7): 1, vhc, Wilcock; 2, Pearson; hc, Wilcock; 3, 4, Chippendale; c, Stebbings. UNFLIG. YELL. (3): 1, Wilcock; 2, Stebbings; 3, Lee. YELL. HEN. (7): 1, 4, Stebbings; 2, 3, Chippendale; vhc, c, Lee; hc, Pearson. BUFF. (3): 1, Lee; 2, Wilcock; 3, Pearson. NOV. YELL. (2): 1, 2, Sparks; 3, Close. BUFF. YORKS. (4): 1, 3, Close; 2, Fretwell; 4, Sparks. UNFLIG. YELL. (4): 1, 2, 4, Bousfield; 3, Fretwell. BUFF. (2): 1, Fretwell; 2, Bousfield. YELL. HEN. (6): 1, hc, Bousfield; 2, 3, Close; 4, Sparks; vhc, Fretwell; BUFF. (5): 1, Close; 2, Sparks; 3, vhc, Fretwell; 4, Bousfield. YELL. NOR. (5): 1, Wilcock; 2, Airton; 3, Pearson. BUFF. (5): 1, Airton; 2, 4, Wilcock; 3, vhc, Pearson.—S. Wilcock, Hon. Sec.

CAMBRIDGE COUNTY C.B.A.—Nov. 19, 80 entries. Mr. J. T. Palmer judged. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Bishop and Son; 2, 3, Langley. BUFF.: 1, Bishop and Son; 2, Hart; 3, Langley. HEN.: 1, Bishop and Son; 2, 3, Langley. NOR. YELL.: 1, Nichols; 2, Hart; 3, Williams. BUFF.: 1, Hart; 2, Bishop and Son; 3, Manning. HEN.: 1, 2, Hart; 3, Manning. NON-FED.: 1, 2, Edwards. BORD.: 1914: 1, 2, 3, Stiles. A.O.V.: 1, 2, Hart; 3, Nichols. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Hart; 2, 3, Taylor. 1914: 1, 2, 3, Williams. GOLDF.: 1, Williams; 2, 3, Hinson. BULLE: 1, Hart; 2, Edwards. LINNET: 1, Manning; 2, Ridgwell. GREENF.: 1, Hart; 2, Williams. SISKIN. ETC.: 1, Hart; 2, Williams. SOFTBILL: 1, Bainbridge; 2, Ridgwell. YORKS. NOV.: 1, 2, 3, Ridgwell. NOR.: 1, Hill; 2, Manning.

The Shows.

STOCKPORT AND HAZEL GROVE.

First Annual Members' Show, Nov. 14, Co-operative Hall, Hazel Grove, 124 birds faced the judge. The committee were rewarded with a decent gate, and think of putting on a few open classes next year. Some very good birds were staged. J. Potts' yell. Yorks. hen, sp. best bird, was a gem of a youngster, and should do well for its owner; it had a tight race with Mr. Bradley's winning yell. Nor., which took Ramsden's special for best fed bird; J. C. Wright captured sp. best novice. Mr. F. W. Nelson judged and gave entire satisfaction.—W. Stafford.

The catalogue received gives the following as principal winners—YORKS.: Potts, Hrd, Beswick. NOR.: Bradley, Garbutt, Beswick, M'Kail, Marsland, Stafford, Sykes. LIZ.: Bradley. A.O.V.: Garbutt. BRIT.: Hrd. NOV.: YORKS.: Taylor, Pearson, Wright. NOR.: Pearson, Russell, Phythian, Bowden, Johnson, Bennett. GR. OR CINN.: Sykes, Russell. MULE: Taylor.

WALKLEY.

Annual show, Nov. 14. Over 170 birds were neatly staged in St. Philip's Mission Room. Special best bird, Thorpe, cl. yell. Yorks. ck. of rare merit; Sandiford's, Sisson, grand young yell. Nor.; Ramsden's, Lawton's var. yell. Nor.; silver medal presented by Mr. J. C. Barnes for most points nov. Nor., Sisson; members' Yorks. cup, Furniss and Bingham; members' Nor. cup, A. Lawton; members' Brit. cup, L. Falding; members' Nov. Yorks. cup, D. Pickering; members' Nov. Nor. cup, E. Sisson. Dr. T. C. Jones, hon. pres., officiated at the opening ceremony. Mr. T. Ridal, the chairman, was well supported by vice-chair, Mr. J. Woolhouse, and the hon. sec., Mr. J. Tomlinson. Messrs. E. Sisson and Falding played a prominent part in managing the show, and acting as stewards; both are worthy of the highest of compliments. Mr. J. C. Barnes judged, and his awards were well received.

YELL. YORKS. (15): 1, sp, Thorpe; 2, vhc, c, Ridal; 3, Bingham and Furniss. BUFF. (13): 1, 2, hc, Bingham and Furniss; 3, Tomlinson; vhc, Jones; c, Drabble. MKD. (6): 1, 3, hc, Bingham and Furniss; 2, Ridal; vhc, Drabble; c, Jones. YELL. HEN. (10): 1, 3, Ridal; 2, Thorpe; vhc, c, Bingham and Furniss; hc, Jones. BUFF. (11): 1, Drabble; 2, vhc, Ridal; 3, vhc, Bingham and Furniss; c, Jones. YELL. NOR. (5): 1, 2, vhc, Lawton; 3, hc, Matthews. BUFF. (7): 1, 2, Matthews; 3, vhc, c, Lawton; hc, Woolhouse. MKD. (5): 1, sp, 2, vhc, Lawton; 3, hc, Matthews. YELL. HEN. (8): 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Woolhouse; vhc, Matthews. BUFF. (5): 1, 2, 3, Lawton; vhc, hc, Matthews; c, Woolhouse. NOV. YELL. YORKS. (8): 1, Biggin; 2, Pickering; 3, vhc, Briggs; c, Parson. BUFF. (6): 1, 2, Pickering; 3, Smith; vhc, Wingfield; c, Wilson. HEN. (6): 1, c, Thompson; 2, hc, Pickering; 3, Smith. YELL. HEN. A.V. (8): 1, Wingfield; 2, c, Pickering; 3, Smith; vhc, Briggs; hc, Wilson. BUFF. (5): 1, 3, Pickering; 2, Smith; vhc, Biggin. NOV. YELL. NOR. (7): 1, sp, 2, vhc, Sisson; 3, Sparkes; hc, Blackwell. BUFF. (5): 1, 2, vhc, Sisson; 3, Sparkes; c, Blackwell. MKD. (5): 1, vhc, Everard; 2, Sparkes; 3, Sisson; hc, Blackwell. HEN. (8): 1, vhc, Sparkes; 2, 3, hc, Everard; c, Sisson. YORKS. (7): 1, c, Bingham and Furniss; 2, Ridal; 3, hc, Pickering; vhc, Wingfield. HEN. (8): 1, hc, Pickering; 2, Bingham and Furniss; 3, Butler; vhc, Thompson; c, Ridal. BRIT. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Falding; c, Everard.

WALLSEND (Mid-Tyne) C.B.A.

Tenth annual show, Co-operative Hall, Nov. 7. The hall is commodious, cosy, well lighted, and free from draughts. Entries totalled 400—a record for Wallsend. Members and quality were all that could be desired. Norwich were grand classes, also Yorks. and Bords. Liverpool, Manchester, and Bradford winners were on view. Three cups were competed for, and competition was never keener. Mr. Johnston won all three cups—most points with 141, three nominated young birds with three Borders, Greens, and best bird with a Gr. Border buff ck., one of the best seen on a show bench. A neutral judge had to be called upon to decide between Mr. Morrison's Norwich and Mr. Johnston's Border for best bird cup; also Mr. Morrison and Mr. Johnston three firsts each for nominated bird cups, and Mr. Johnston received the award. Mrs. Colonial Kinkney presented the cups in the afternoon. The management throughout was as usual, A1, as one would expect from such a Mr. Heslop (chairman), Mr. Greenwell (sec.) and the stewards, who are truly a very fine band of officials, and full of enthusiasm.

NOR. CL. YELL. (13): 1, 4, c, Morrison; 2, c, McKay; 3, Scott; vhc, Hymers; hc, McKay. BUFF. (10): 1, Scott; 2, McKay; 3, Hymers; 4, vhc, Morrison; hc, c, Baker. YELL. TKD. OR MKD. (8): 1, McKay; 2, Watson; 3, Fleck; 4, vhc, c, Morrison; hc, Mathewson. BUFF. (9): 1, Hymers; 2, Mathewson; 3, McKay; 4, Roy; vhc, hc, c, Morrow. YELL. HEN. CL. ETC. (9): 1, 3, hc, c, Morrison; 2, Fleck; 4, vhc, Hymers. BUFF. (9): 1, 2, Morrison; 3, Mathewson; 4, Coutts; vhc, Hymers; hc, McKie; c, McKay. YELL. UNFLIG. (12): 1, c, Morrison; 2, McKay; 3, McKie; 4, Mathewson; vhc, Fleck; hc, Watson. BUFF. (17): 1, Morrison; 2, Scott; 3, Mathewson; 4, c, Hymers; vhc, McKay; hc, Couchman. HEN. YELL. UNFLIG. (11): 1, Morrison; 2, Couchman; 3, vhc, Mathewson; 4, Hymers; hc, Fleck; c, McKay. BUFF. (9): 1, Morrison; 2, Hymers; 3, Couchman; 4, Coutts; vhc, Scott; hc, Watson; c, Watson. NAT. COL. (8): 1, Hymers; 2, vhc, Greenwell; 3, hc, Doughty; 4, Dods. CREST (5): 1, 2, Hutchinson; 3, Morrison. C.B. (5): 1, 2, Hutchinson; 3, 4, Morrison; vhc, Wilson. CREST UNFLIG. (5): 1, 2, Push-ton; 3, vhc, Hutchinson; 4, Morrison. C.B. (4): 1, 2, Hutchinson; 3, 4, Wilson. NOR. CINN. (9): 1, Heslop; 2, Coutts; 3, Doughty; 4, c, Roy; vhc, Caisley; hc, Young. YELL. UNFLIG. (5): 1, Coutts; 2, 4, Roy; 3, vhc, Caisley. BUFF. (7): 1, 2, 3, Heslop; 4, res, Young; vhc, c, Roy; hc, Caisley. CINN. FOUL (2): 1, Roy; 2, Doughty. YORK. YELL. (7): 1, 4, Deighton; 2, Wigglesworth; 3, R. Studholme; vhc, c, Deighton. BUFF. (7): 1, 2, 3, Deighton; 4, R. Studholme; vhc, c, Wigglesworth; hc, W. Studholme. HEN. (8): 1, Wigglesworth; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Deighton; 3, W. Studholme; c, R. Studholme. YELL. UNFLIG. (7): 1, 2, 3, Deighton; 4, R. Studholme; vhc, c, Wigglesworth; hc, W. Studholme. BUFF. (7): 1, 2, 3, Deighton; vhc, hc, Wigglesworth; c, W. Studholme. HEN. (6): 1, Wigglesworth; 2, 3, hc, Deighton; 4, W. Studholme; vhc, R. Studholme. BORD. YELL. (5): 1, W. Smith; 2, McDougall; 3, Young; 4, Parker; vhc, Bevov. BUFF. (5): 1, Johnston; 2, W. Smith; 3, McDougall; 4, T. Smith; vhc, Couchman; hc, Young; c, Bevov. HEN. YELL. (6): 1, Greenwell; 2, Johnston; 3, Stephenson; 4, W. Smith; vhc, Dalziel; hc, McDougall. BUFF. (6): 1, Johnston; 2, Smith; 3, McDougall; 4, hc, Dalziel; vhc, Bevov. YELL. CL. OR TKD. UNFLIG. (9): 1, Blakey; 2, W. Smith; 3, Bevov; 4, Young; vhc, hc, McDougall; c, Dalziel. BUFF. (8): 1, 2, Johnston; 3, T. Smith; 4, Blakey; vhc, Young; hc, Dalziel; c, Couchman. HEN. YELL. UNFLIG.

(4): 1, 2, Johnston; 3, T. Smith; 4, McDougall. BUFF. (6): 1, hc, Johnston; 2, T. Smith; 3, McDougall; 4, Greenwell; vhc, Blakey; c, W. Smith. BORD. GR. YELL. (8): 1, 4, Greenwell; 2, 3, Johnston; vhc, Parker; hc, Stephenson; c, Dods. BUFF. (9): 1, 2, 4, Johnston; 3, vhc, c, Greenwell; hc, Parker. GR. YELL. UNFLIG. (10): 1, 4, Johnston; 2, Blakey; 3, c, Parker; vhc, hc, Greenwell. BLEN. (11): 1, Johnston, cup winner best bird in show; 2, Johnston; 3, Blakey; 4, hc, c, Greenwell; vhc, W. Smith. BORD. CINN. YELL. (9): 1, 2, Johnston; 3, McDougall; 4, c, Stephenson; vhc, hc, Parker. BUFF. (4): 1, Johnston; 2, McDougall; 3, Couchman; 4, Parker. LIZ. GOLD. (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Heslop. LIZ. SILVER (4): 1, 2, 3, 4, Heslop. A.O.V. (3): 1, 3, Roy; 2, Watson. MULE (4): 1, Johnston; 2, Scott; 3, Hymers; 4, Couchman. MULE UNFLIG. (4): 1, Couchman; 2, Greenwell; 3, Scott; 4, Stephenson. GOLDF. (7): 1, 3, Scott; 2, Parker; 4, Simpson; vhc, hc, Masterman; c, McDougall. GREENF. (4): 1, Johnston; 2, Greenwell; 3, Scott; 4, Simpson. BRAMBLE OR CHAFF. (7): 1, 3, Couchman; 2, Baker; 4, Bevov; vhc, Simpson; hc, Young; c, Baker. LINNET (12): 1, 3, hc, Simpson; 4, vhc, Masterman; 2, Fleck; c, Couchman. SISKIN. ETC. (7): 1, 1, Couchman; 2, vhc, Couchman; 3, Scott; 4, c, Masterman; hc, Bevov. A.O. FINCH OR BUNTING: 1, Wilson. SOFTBILL: 1, Wilson. FOR.: 1, Hymers.

WALLASEY C.B.S.

Annual members' show, November 7, Fairhaven Institute, with a fine entry of about 180 birds. Many recent Liverpool and Manchester winners once again gave a good account of themselves. A fine lot of special prizes were offered, including grand challenge shield valued ten guineas, holder each year to receive a gold medal. This made competition exceptionally keen. Mr. Benson, hon. sec. and treas., had everything in apple-pie order and got through the duties admirably. Mr. Hilton judged. Messrs. Benson and Young's huff Yorkshire hen won sp. best bird.

CL. YELL. YORKS.: 1, Greatrix; 2, Stott; 3, Alston. BUFF.: 1, Alston; 2, Morton; 3, Hodgkins. TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 3, Stott; 2, Benson and Young; vhc, Greatrix; hc, Hodgkins; c, Alston. BUFF.: 1, Metcalfe; 2, vhc, Stott; 3, Greatrix; hc, Benson and Young. YELL. HEN. (8): 1, Benson and Young; 2, hc, Metcalfe; 3, Morton; vhc, Stott; c, Greatrix. BUFF. (8): 1, two sps, 3, vhc, Benson and Young; 2, Hodgkins; hc, Stott; c, Greatrix. UNFLIG. YELL. (7): 1, Stott; 2, Simmons; 3, c, Greatrix; vhc, hc, Metcalfe. BUFF. (9): 1, Benson and Young; 2, vhc, Greatrix; 3, Stott; hc, Morton; c, Hodgkins. YELL. YORKS. GR.: 1, 3, hc, Metcalfe; 2, 3, vhc, Benson and Young. YELL. HEN.: 1, sp, Metcalfe; 2, 3, Benson and Young. BUFF.: 1, 2, vhc, Metcalfe; 3, hc, c, Benson and Young. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 2, Metcalfe; 3, Cooper; hc, Simmons; hc, Benson and Young. BUFF.: 1, Metcalfe; 2, Cooper; 3, vhc, Benson and Young. NON-FED.: 1, sp, Benson and Young; 2, Stott; 3, hc, Alston; vhc, Greatrix. NOR.: 1, 2, Benson and Young; 3, hc, c, Stott; vhc, Phillips. UNFLIG.: 1, Stott; 2, 3, Cooper; vhc, Phillips. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, Carron; 2, Martin; 3, Huddart; vhc, Stott. BUFF.: 1, Simmons; 2, vhc, Stott; 3, Huddart; hc, Martin. HEN. (14): a fine lot of novices: 1, sp, c, Simmons; 2, Huddart; 3, vhc, hc, Carron. GREEN.: 1, Huddart; 2, Stott; 3, Simmons. HEN.: 1, Simmons; 2, Huddart; 3, Stott. PAIRS: 1, vhc, Carron; 2, Benson and Young; 3, Alston. HYB.: 1, sp, Barker; 2, 3, Phillips. GOLDF. OR BULLE: 1, Phillips; 2, Walton; 3, vhc, Barker. LINNET: 1, Stott; 2, Phillips; 3, Walton; vhc, Barker. GREENF. (6): 1, 3, Walton; 2, vhc, c, Barker. BRAMBLE, &c. (6): 1, c, Walton; 2, vhc, Barker; 3, Carron; hc, Alston. SISKIN, &c.: 1, Metcalfe; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Walton. BUNTING (6): 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Barker; vhc, Walton. GIFT: 1, Benson and Young; 2, Cooper; 3, Stott; vhc, Alston.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Second annual show, Nov. 7, 558 birds, and some beauties amongst them, faced the judges. Messrs. G. Benson (Yorks.), and J. Thornton (other varieties). Mr. G. Skilling won sp. most points in champ. Yorks., and Mr. A. T. Southwood sp. best bird in nov. Yorks. Most points: Skilling, champ. Yorks., 74 pts; Broadbent, nov., 63; McCoy, Norwich, 102; Borders, 12; Lloyd, Brit., 53.

CHAMP. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, c, Huyton; 2, hc, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Skilling. HEN. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Huyton; 2, hc, Rothwell; c, Skilling. BUFF. (1, Rothwell; 2, 3, Skilling; vhc, Holden; c, Huyton. HEN. (7): 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Huyton; hc, Skilling; c, Rawthorne. UN-EVEN, ETC., YELL. CK. (3): 1, Huyton; 2, Rawthorne; 3, Skilling. HEN.: 1, Rothwell. BUFF. CK. (6): 1, 2, Skilling; 3, Rawthorne; vhc, hc, Holden; c, Huyton. HEN.: 1, Rothwell. GR. SELF OR FOUL. YELL. CK. (4): 1, vhc, Skilling; 2, Rothwell; 3, Frankham. HEN. (4): 1, Cuts; 2, Skilling; 3, Frankham; vhc, Rothwell. BUFF. CK. (6): 1, 2, Skilling; 3, Frankham; vhc, hc, Rothwell; c, Holden. HEN. (4): 1, 3, Skilling; 2, Cuts; vhc, Rothwell. 1914 CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (4): 1, vhc, Rothwell; 2, Huyton; 3, Holden. HEN. (4): 1, Huyton; 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Skilling. CL. OR TKD. BUFF. CK. (5): 1, vhc, c, Rothwell; 2, 3, Skilling. HEN. (7): 1, 3, Skilling; 2, Rothwell; vhc, c, Huyton; hc, Holden. GR. SELF OR FOUL. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Rothwell; 2, Holden; 3, Rawthorne. HEN.: 1, Rothwell. BUFF. CK. (2): 1, Rothwell; 2, Frankham. HEN.: 1, Frankham. NOV. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Broadbent; 2, 3, Kewn; vhc, c, Blaylock; hc, Leadbetter. HEN. (3): 1, Southwood; 2, Broadbent; 3, Percival; vhc, McLaughlin; hc, c, Lowe. BUFF. CK. (9): 1, vhc, c, Lowe; 2, McLaughlin; 3, Southwood; hc, Broadbent. HEN. (11): 1, Lowe; 2, Broadbent; 3, McCoy; vhc, McLaughlin; hc, Kewn; c, Leadbetter. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. CK. (4): 1, sp, Southwood; 2, Lowe; 3, Pve; vhc, McLaughlin. YELL. HEN.: 1, Foxcroft. BUFF. (3): 1, Hammond; 2, McLaughlin; 3, Lowe. SELF OR FOUL. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Simon; 2, Nowlan; 3, McLaughlin; vhc, G. Grice. HEN. (5): 1, 3, McCoy; 2, McLaughlin; vhc, Leadbetter; c, G. Grice. BUFF. CK. (2): 1, Kewn; 2, McLaughlin. HEN. (4): 1, Percival; 2, McLaughlin; 3, Leadbetter; vhc, Lowe. 1914, CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, vhc, Southwood; 3, Broadbent; hc, Lowe; c, McLaughlin. HEN. (4): 1, Percival; 2, Southwood; 3, McLaughlin; vhc, Blaylock. BUFF. CK. (6): 1, 2, 3, Broadbent; vhc, Southwood; hc, Lowe; c, McLaughlin. HEN. (8): 1, 2, Broadbent; 3, Southwood; vhc, Leadbetter; hc, Foxcroft; c, McLaughlin. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. CK. (4): 1, Percival; 2, Pve; 3, Southwood; vhc, McLaughlin. HEN. (3): 1, Pve; 2, Broadbent; 3, McLaughlin. BUFF. CK. (3): 1, 2, Lowe; 3, McLaughlin. GR., S. OR F. YELL. CK. (5): 1, 3, McCoy; 2, G. Grice; vhc, McLaughlin; hc, J. Grice. HEN. (3): 1, Lowe; 2, 3, Broadbent. BUFF. CK. (6): 1, Leadbetter; 2, McLaughlin; 3, J. Grice; vhc, Simon; hc, Lowe; c, Pve. HEN. (2): 1, McCoy; 2, Kewn. A.O.V. CK.: 1, Foxcroft. NAT. COL. CK. (4): 1, Southwood; 2, 3, Hammond; vhc, G. Grice. HEN. (7): 1, Lowe; 2,

Southwood; 3, Cattle; vhc, Keeling; hc, Foxcroft; c, Simon. 1914 A.V. CK. (4): 1, 3, J. Grice; 2, G. Grice; vhc, Cattle. HEN. (5): 1, 3, vhc, Broadbent; 2, Keeling; hc, Cattle. NOR., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, c, McCoy; 3, Wilkins; vhc, Bratherton; hc, Huyton. HEN.: 1, 2, McCoy. BUFF. CK.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, McCoy. HEN. (6): 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, vhc, hc, McCoy. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. HEN.: 1, 2, 3, vhc, McCoy. BUFF. CK. (5): 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, vhc, hc, McCoy. HEN. (4): 1, vhc, McCoy; 2, Bratherton; 3, Huyton. GR. S. OR F. YELL. CK.: 1, Bratherton. YELL. HEN.: 1, Bratherton. BUFF.: 1, Bratherton. BUFF. HEN.: 1, Bratherton. 1914, CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Wilkins; 2, 3, Atherton. HEN.: 1, Wilkins; 2, McCoy. BUFF. CK.: 1, McCoy. HEN.: 1, 2, 3, McCoy. UNEVEN, ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Atherton. BUFF. (7): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, c, McCoy. BUFF. HEN.: 1, McCoy. GR., S. OR F. BUFF. CK. (3): 1, 2, Atherton; 3, McCoy. A.V. CK.: 1, 2, McCoy. HEN.: 1, 2, McCoy. BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.: 1, Bratherton; 2, Nowlan; 3, McCoy. HEN.: 1, Bratherton. BUFF. CK.: 1, McCoy; 2, Bratherton. HEN.: 1, Bratherton. UNEVEN OR VAR. YELL. HEN.: 1, Bratherton. BUFF. CK.: 1, Bratherton; 2, McCoy. HEN.: 1, Rawthorne; 2, McCoy. BUFF.: 1, Kewn. BUFF. HEN.: 1, McCoy. 1914, S. OR F. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, 3, McCoy. BUFF.: 1, 2, Kewn. GOLDF. (4): 1, 2, Rothwell; 3, vhc, Lloyd. BULLE. (4): 1, vhc, Hilton; 2, Simon; 3, Lloyd. GREENF. (10): 1, Hilton; 2, McCoy; 3, Lloyd; vhc, Rothwell; hc, c, T. W. Kelly. CHAFF. (6): 1, 3, Rothwell; 2, hc, Lloyd; vhc, Williams; c, Hilton. BRAMBLE. (6): 1, Rothwell; 2, Williams; 3, c, Lloyd; vhc, Nowlan; hc, Hilton. LINNET (8): 1, Hilton; 2, vhc, Rothwell; 3, Simon; hc, Lloyd; c, T. W. Kelly. REDPOLL, ETC. (6): 1, 2, Lloyd; 3, Simon; vhc, Hilton; hc, Williams; c, T. W. Kelly. A.O.V. (5): 1, Hilton; 2, vhc, Lloyd; 3, Williams; hc, T. W. Kelly. HENS.: 1, vhc, c, Lloyd; 2, Hilton; 3, Rothwell. MULES (6): 1, hc, McCoy; 2, 3, Lloyd; vhc, Williams. BRD. 1914, A.V. MULES: 1, 2, 3, Rothwell.—E. S. Broadbent, hon. sec.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE.

Four Potteries Societies, Stoke, Longton, Hanley and Burslem clubs, inter-club show, Albion Hotel, Hanley, Nov. 7. The venture proved to be a most successful one, over 180 birds being staged; quality throughout was very good and competition keen. Champion and Novices sections both filled well. Mr. C. J. Beckett, Show Sec., deserves great praise for the way in which the arrangements were carried out. The committee responsible were Messrs. Robinson (chair), Pitchford, Bowers, Bagshaw, Barker, Davis, Leese, Beckett, Lawton, James and Hulme. Mr. W. Bowyer judged Nov. and Nov. Brit., Mr. T. Bate Yorks. and Champ. Brit.

CHAMP. NOR. BUFF. (3): 1, Bowers; 2, Roberts; 3, James. YELL. HEN. (2): 1, James; 2, Roberts. BUFF. (5): 1, 2, Roberts; 3, Pitchford; 4, Barker; vhc, James. YELL. UNFLIG.: 1, Leese; 2, Bowers. BUFF.: 1, sp, Bowers; 2, Roberts. UNFLIG. HEN.: 1, Bowers. YORKS. YELL. CK. (6): 1, vhc, Pygott; 2, hc, Lawton; 3, Pitchford; 4, Robinson. BUFF. (5): 1, 4, epl, Lawton; 2, vhc, Pygott; 3, Robinson. YELL. HEN. (3): 1, 2, Lawton; 3, Robinson. BUFF. (5): 1, 2, Lawton; 3, 4, Pygott; vhc, Robinson. YELL. UNFLIG. (5): 1, Robinson; 2, Pygott; 3, Lawton; 4, vhc, Chadwick. BUFF. (5): 1, 2, Pygott; 3, 4, vhc, Lawton. UNFLIG. HEN. (5): 1, 4, vhc, Lawton; 2, Pygott; 3, Robinson. LIGHT MULES: 1, Leadbeater. DARK: 1, 2, Chadwick. GOLDF., ERIT. (7): 1, 3, Davis; 2, c, Pitchford; 4, Barker; vhc, Tams; hc, Leadbeater. LINNET (9): 1, Pitchford; 2, Robinson; 3, 4, hc, Tams; vhc, Davis. SISKIN. ETC. (3): 1, 2, Davis; 3, Tams. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, sp, 3, Pitchford; 2, Chadwick. SOFTBILL: 1, sp, Dean; 2, Leadbeater. NOV. NOR. YELL. (9): 1, Dunn; 2, 4, Fox; 3, Kemp; vhc, Johnson; hc, Pibkin. BUFF. (7): 1, Dunn; 2, 4, Cotelow; 3, Glover; vhc, Johnson; hc, Wilkinson. YELL. HEN. (4): 1, sp, Leese; 2, Johnson; 3, Wilkinson; 4, Wild. BUFF. (7): 1, Dunn; 2, 4, Colclough; 3, Bowdridge; vhc, Fox; hc, Glover; c, Johnson. YELL. UNFLIG. (4): 1, Leese; 2, Bowdridge; 3, Filkin; 4, Dunn. BUFF. (9): 1, Glover; 2, Fox; 3, Leese; 4, Ouseman; vhc, Wild; hc, Wilkinson; c, Colclough. UNFLIG. HEN. (4): 1, Leese; 2, Wild; 3, Bowdridge; 4, Glover. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, 2, Beckett; 3, Alcock; 4, Lockett; vhc, Richards; hc, Brown. BUFF. (4): 1, 3, Beckett; 2, Richards. YELL. HEN. (6): 1, 2, 4, Beckett; 3, sp, Alcock. BUFF. (2): 1, Richards; 2, Beckett. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, Lockett; 2, Beckett; 3, Richards; 4, vhc, Brown; hc, hc, Brown, junr. BUFF. (8): 1, hc, Richards; 2, hc, Beckett; 3, Brown, senr.; 4, Lockett. HEN. (7): 1, hc, c, Brown, junr.; 2, Richards; 3, Alcock; 4, Beckett; vhc, Brown, senr. LIGHT MULES: 1, Ouseman. DARK: 1, Hartley; 2, Hickman. GOLDF. (6): 1, Hartley; 2, Lockett; 3, 4, hc, Critchow; vhc, Hickman. LINNET (7): 1, 3, Lockett; 2, 4, Bates; vhc, Critchlow;

Club Reports.

LOCHGELLY C.B.S.

Meeting, Bay Horse Hotel, Dec. 12. Mr. M. Smith presided. Sec. tendered an account of the Members' Show held Nov. 28. Over 200 birds were staged and prize money averaged almost 3s. 6d. per class. Agreed to hold a smoker in Bay Horse Hotel, Dec. 26.—T. Muir, Sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting held Dec. 12, headquarters, Mr. Legg chair. Decided to hold a Members' Show, Dec. 31, at headquarters; also to have a meeting, Dec. 19, when we will go through show business. I hope to see all members attend and bring contribution cards, so that we can clear up before show. Now, members, wake up and let us try and make our society a success.—J. S. Jones, Sec.

ALFRETON C.B.S.

Annual dinner, Red Lion Hotel, Dec. 12, when upwards of 30 members and friends sat down to an excellent repast provided by the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. J. Smith, after which a very enjoyable evening was spent in songs, recitations and gramophone selections. The ball was kept rolling till 11 p.m., when all were sorry to part. Decided to hold a Members' Show, Jan. 9. Birds to be staged by 4. Judge, Mr. B. Simpson.—G. Beardall, Sec.

NORTH LIVERPOOL C.B.S.

Meeting, December 2, Mr. Holden presiding before a moderate attendance. Final arrangements were made for annual old show, Boxing Day. Mr. J. Davenport elected a member. Members not receiving schedule for the annual show please apply at once. Mr. J. Rothwell's special (trinket set) for most points Novice class (Yorks.), has been omitted from schedule. Novice members please note.—E. S. Broadbent, Hon. Sec.

BUCKHAVEN C.B.S.

Meeting, Gardeners' Hall, Dec. 12. Mr. Foster chair; members' show fixed for Jan. 9, Rechaite Hall. 36 classes: Bord. 9, Nor. 9, Yorks. 7, Brit. 9, Common Can. 1, Gift 1. Judge for Bord. and Yorks., Mr. Peel, Lochgelly; Nor. and Brit. not yet settled. The B.F.C.C. medal has been granted, with a number of valuable specials, including a splendid framed colour plate kindly received from CAGE BIRDS. All can compete on payment of membership fee of 2s. 6d.—G. Paterson, Sec.

SOUTH BIRMINGHAM O.S.

Meeting Nov. 9, Mr. J. Hughes chair, before a very good attendance of members. Members' show, final arrangements were dealt with, 14 grand specials presented, besides many from outside friends. Mr. Bayliss appointed show manager, Messrs. Yardley, Hickling, Raby, Swindon, Barron and Pughes stewards; official catalogues will be printed, so members are requested to have entries in by Dec. 20th at latest, and all birds at room not later than 10.30; tickets are now on sale along with full list of specials. Members should bring a friend on show day as members are tracing a good many more fanciers in this district not in the society.—J. Sheppard.

SOUTHAMPTON C.B.S.

General meeting, Dec. 7. Mr. W. G. Fellows, chair, in the absence of the chairman, from whom sec. read a letter explaining that he would be obliged to resign the chairmanship, owing to his being away from home. Sec. gave a report of the recent show, announcing that a profit had been made, which everyone agreed was satisfactory. Mr. Gamble washed a number of birds, and explained with his usual ability the best methods to use for washing birds successfully. A number of questions were asked at the close, which Mr. Gamble answered to everyone's satisfaction. Vote of thanks to Mr. Gamble was carried amid applause. Vote of thanks was accorded to all those who took part in the Annual Show, and helped to make it a success.—W. L. Page, Hon. Sec.

LANCS. AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Volunteer Inn, George Street, Oldham, Dec. 6. A good number attending. Decided to have Club Show at Volunteer Inn, Oldham, Jan. 9 and 10; 7 classes Lanc., 8 Champion and 4 Nov. classes Lizards, and two classes for Lizards bred prior to 1914. Mr. Bradley is generously giving 20/- as a special in Lizard classes, and Mr. N. Stansfield 2/6 each best yellow Coppy, best yellow Plainhead, best cl. Gold Lizard and best cl. Silver Lizard. I shall be glad to receive any donations to special fund and credit same to donor. Final open show for our club patronage is Sunderland, Jan. 15 and 16. They are giving 3 cock and 2 hen Lizard classes. The Northern Club is giving 5 sps. for open competition, and there is also a 5/- spl. for most points, so it behoves all Lizard fanciers to give as good an entry as possible, and reward such generous treatment as it deserves. Next meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Shudehill, Manchester, Jan. 2, when entries for show will be received.—J. Rukin, Hon. Sec.

ATTERCLIFFE.

Meeting Nov. 12, Mr. Havenhand chair. The committee's minutes embracing the change of venue for the annual show to the Wesleyan Reform Schoolroom, Bodmin St., owing to the Vestry Hall being unobtainable, were passed unanimously. A vote of sympathy for Mr. Webster, who is suffering from scarlet fever, was unanimously passed. Table show result: Nov., NOR., CL.: 1, 2, J. Hartley; 3, Holling; 4, vhc, hc, W. Jones. VARIET.: 1, 3, 4, vhc, hc, W. Jones; 2, Holling. BRIT.: 1, 4, hc, T. Hammond; 2, 3, vhc, B. Duee. Mr. J. Perry judged.—E. Johnson.

Annual meeting, Dec. 10. Mr. Havenhand presiding. Election of officers resulted as follows:—Pres., Mr. L. Havenhand; vice-pres., Messrs. F. W. Hollingsworth and J. Hibberston; treas., Mrs. Justice; committee, Messrs. Webster, Rickinson, Thornhill, Blunt, Merrills, Darlow, Perry, Hammond, and Hartley; auditors, Messrs. Thornhill and Merrills; sec., E. Johnson. The president told the society that it was in a far better financial position than last year, and that the secretary hoped to have the balance-sheet ready for the January meeting, which is set apart for a discussion of the rules. Will members please let either sec. or Mr. Havenhand have any outstanding subs. or ticket-money at once, so as to facilitate the completion of the balance-sheet. We made two new members, and as we finished the season with more financial members than ever before the outlook is very promising. I wish to thank all members for the cordial and helpful support I have received during the past year, and trust it will be repeated in the coming year, when I shall have no doubt as to the successful future of the society.—E. Johnson.

BURNHOPE C.B.S.

Meeting Colliery Inn, Nov. 28. Show for Feb. 1915 was arranged, Mr. J. Risborough, Sunderland, will judge. (Classes: Nor., 5; Yorks., 6; Bord., 6; A.O.V., 1; Mule, 1; Brit., 8; For., 1. J. W. Robson.

LONDON C.B.A.

Meeting, Dec. 8. Mr. Crisp chair. Statement of accounts given by Sec. Messrs. Turpin and Mathews elected members. Mr. F. Knight, Press Correspondent, having informed the meeting that he had been appointed to the Bristol district, Mr. Tyson proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Knight for the splendid work so ungrudgingly given; this was carried unanimously. Sec. intimated that he would not be able to carry on the Secretarial work after annual general meeting. Vote of thanks to the chair ended the meeting.—A. Wallington, Assist. Hon. Sec. (Please write on only one side of the paper.—Editor.)

NORTHERN BORDER & S.F.C.C.

Meeting and Table Show, Pillar's Cafe, Dec. 2, Mr. J. Johnston chair. Decided that while the Sec. has the loan of the block for front of the rules, he get a few printed ready for next year. CLASSES 1, 2, 3; 1 each, all Espie. NOV. CLASS (6): 1, 2, Affleck; 3, vhc, Smith; 4, Rander. CLASS (7): 1, vhc, Smith; 2, Affleck; 3, c, Smith; 4, hc, Wilson. CLASS 8: 1, 4, c, Smith; 2, hc, Smith; 3, vhc, Affleck. CLASS 9: 1, 3, 4, vhc, Rander; 2, Affleck. CLASS 10: 1, 2, Affleck; 3, Smith. Vote of thanks to the judges, Mr. W. Smith and Mr. T. Smith, brought a pleasant meeting to an end. Proposed next meeting to have a question night.—M. C. Potts.

LEITH O.S.

Annual general meeting, Liberal Club, Hope-st., Dec. 12. President, Mr. James Lumsden, chair, and a capital turnout of members. Balance-sheet and report of late show was read, which showed this Society to be in a flourishing condition. The Open Show Fund has a nice little nest egg in the shape of over £18 in the bank. Prizes money was paid out to winners. The following were elected office-bearers for 1915: Pres., Mr. J. Lumsden; Vice., Mr. J. Allan; Sec. and Treas., Mr. G. W. Brown; Committee, Messrs. W. R. Finnis, E. Anderson, Simpson, Buglass, and P. Galloway; Auditors, Messrs. J. Messer and J. Walters. Next meeting Jan. 9, when it is hoped all intending members will send in their names.—G. W. Brown, Sec., 8, Elm-pl., Leith.

LEEDS C.B.S.

Meeting, Dec. 12. Table show held in connection with meeting was very badly supported, only 14 birds being staged in the three classes. Mr. C. E. Hall judged in his usual satisfactory way. YORKS. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Norton. NOR. (5): 1, 2, vhc, c, Wilson; 3, 4, hc, Baldwinson. BRIT. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Middleton. The winners of the cruets presented by Mr. E. Hattersley for table shows were: Yorks., E. Norton, 35 points; Nor., W. A. Wilson, 45; Brit., E. Middleton, 60. Officers nominated for 1915 were: Chair, Mr. H. J. Menard; Hon. Treas., Mr. E. Middleton. Assist. Hon. Sec. and Hon. Sec. were left over until next meeting, when it is hoped that a better attendance of members will be present. Mr. A. G. Rhodes, retiring Assist. Sec., is at present stationed with the 8th Batt. West Yorkshire Regt. at York. Auditors, Messrs. W. Hornby and G. T. Jackson. Committee to be elected by ballot. Details for prize distribution to be held in Feb. were gone into, it being left in the hands of the Chairman and Sec. to arrange about a room. Members subs. now due.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

WIMBLEDON C.B.S.

Meeting headquarters, 6, The Broadway, Dec. 7, Mr. W. H. Stoakley, chair, and about thirty present, including a good proportion of ladies. Schedule for Members' Show, Queen's Hall, Jan. 19, in place of the annual open show, was considered. Some forty-six classes were decided upon, and some simple rules passed. Mr. J. Robson judge. For the judging competition 28 Yorkshires were staged, yell. 18, buffs 10, the awards of the final judge, Mr. R. Rorke, were: YELL.: 1, c, Bailey; 2, Owen and Son; 3, vhc, Heath; hc, Whiting. BUFFS: 1, 2, Smith; 3, hc, Whiting; vhc, Mrs. Griffiths; c, Mrs. Farley. Winner in yellows received a silver medal given by Mrs. Griffiths, and in buffs, a silver spoon, given by the society. Sixteen members took part in the competition, and the points were: Clarke 18, Mrs. Owen and Mr. Owen 12 each; Mrs. Griffiths, Stevens, and Pegg 9 each; Smith 8; Owen 7; Snow 5; Heath and McPherson, 3 each; Harris 2; Birch, Whiting, and Farley, nil. A vote of thanks was accorded the final judge. At next meeting Jan. 4, bird washing exhibition and judging competition for Bord. and Brit.—G. Griffiths, Hon. Sec.

CITY AND SUBURBAN A.C.B.

Meeting, Dec. 14, the Church Institute, Paddington Street, Mr. W. A. Shepherd chair and 32 members present. Various correspondence was dealt with. Messrs. G. Butterfield, E. J. Pegg and C. J. Wood were elected members, and Messrs. R. J. Kent, W. E. Plank and Potter nominated for membership. Medals and diplomas won at Annual Show were presented. Three challenge cups were won outright. Mr. W. A. Shepherd taking the Crest bowl and Mr. F. J. Martin the two Norwich cups. The Wynn points rose bowl was won by Mr. A. Wakefield. A judging competition in Crest and C.B. took place, 6 Crests and 7 C.B. being staged. Mr. A. Matcham acted as final judge and was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks for his services. Great regret was expressed by members at losing the services of one of their most active members, Mr. F. Knight, who is leaving London this week to reside at Bristol. A collection for Mr. Gardner's Aged Poor Fund resulted in 12s. being subscribed. Meeting fixed for Dec. 18 was cancelled; next meeting is Jan. 11. Vote of thanks to Chairman closed the meeting.—Fred Thyme, Assist. Hon. Sec.

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F. and F. Society (Affiliated to South Wales and Monmouthshire Fed.), January 6th, 1915. Special comfortable room for Cage Birds alone. Judge, C. A. House, Esq. Entries close Dec. 30, 1914. All profits to go to Red Cross Fund. Schedules: A. A. Gordon McLucas, 48, Rosser Street, Maesycod, Pontypridd.

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WINDHILL C.B.S. Open Show, Jan. 2, in Carnegie Library, 28 Classes. Judge, H. J. Chittenden, Esq., Bradford. Schedules apply: J. A. Taylor, 36, Aireville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford.

TROON and Loans Show, in aid of Red Cross Funds, will be held on Friday, January 1, 1915. Cage Bird Judge, Mr. A. McMeeking. Schedules from J. Hunter, 4, Jamieson Terrace, Troon.

BOLTON

Roller Society will hold their Open Contest on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Classes for all, and three competent judges. Schedules now ready. Apply: Jos. Kishaw, 5, Orm Street, Bolton, Secretary.

TREDEGAR

C.B.S. Open Show of Cage Birds, Town Hall, Jan. 14, 1915. 42 Classes. Judge, J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool. Schedules: W. B. Watkins, 63, High Street. Crystal Palace Show off, so Look Out for

DRIFFIELD

Cage Bird Society Open Show on Jan. 8, 1915. Classification next week. No schedules.

ARDWICK AND MANCHESTER

Dis. C.B.A. 1st Open Show, Friday and Saturday, January 8 and 9, 1915, in St. Thomas's School, Ardwick. Judges, H. W. Batty, C. Houlton. Prize Money, 10/-, 6/-, 3/-, 2/-; entry fee 1/6. Schedules from: J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston Street, Beswick, Manchester.

In the Courts.

Essex Magistrates and the Cruel Catching of Linnets.

William Wallis, 66, and Albert Hodson, 44, bird-catchers, were summoned at Witham, Essex, for causing unnecessary suffering to Linnets at Great Totbam, on November 18. Captain Burlingham, 8th Worcester Regiment, stationed at Maldon, said he saw defendants in a field near Totbam Church. They were catching birds in a net, and had other birds tied. Some of the birds caught were killed; others had blood about them. Witness told the defendants to stop the practice and go, as the soldiers in his company were indignant at the cruelty they saw. The decoy birds were tied down to a peg in the ground. Witness produced a number of dead Linnets. The defendants stated that many of the Linnets caught were killed to protect the seed industry, and a few of the better ones were sold. The decoy birds were kept all the season from August to March. The Chairman: How do you account for these decoy birds being mere skeletons? Defendant Hodson: They have wasted away since they were killed.

Defendant Wallis said he had been a bird-catcher for thirty years, had been "inspected by the humane people," and had never had a charge of cruelty against him before. On the occasion in question the soldiers smashed up his nets with spades and let his birds loose from the cages, saying the captain had ordered them to "wreck him." The defendants stated they had permission from Mr. Ward to go on his farm to catch birds.

The Chairman said the Bench were unanimous in deciding to convict. Although the practice of catching birds had been going on for a number of years, and had become to some extent recognised, there were ways of catching birds without practising cruelty. Call-birds could be used to catch birds, although it was perhaps slow, but wild birds could not be allowed to be fastened down with braces and allowed to flutter up and down until they had exhausted their legs and wings. That treatment of wild birds was utterly cruel, and was disapproved by the Bench. The defendants would each be fined 10s. and 4s. costs. If they came up again the Bench would not stop at a few shillings' fine. The Justices thanked the soldiers of the Worcester Regiment who had brought the case forward.—"Essex County Chronicle."

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Twitterings.

A LARGE number of show reports having accumulated which could not be printed within the limits of the penny issues possible during this time of crisis, we have decided, at the request of a large number of readers, to publish them in a special double number rather than hold them over indefinitely. Even now, although we this week deal with no fewer than 84 shows, we have not been able to deal with the reports of a few members' fixtures.

There are a few specials not yet sent in to me, writes Mr. Robert Lambie, sec. Whitburn C.B.S. Will fanciers kindly send them in and allow me to have them sent to the winners?

In your report of the Y.C. and C.B.S. of Ireland (Dublin) show, nat. col. clear buff hens reads 2, Gillen won in col. fed class in Belfast. This is not so, as I was first in this class at Belfast and Mr. Gillen he.—A. E. Winkup (Belfast).

The City of Birmingham C.B.S. second open Roller Canary singing contest is held at the Crown Hotel, Hill Street, Birmingham, Saturday, Dec. 19th; open 3 p.m. to 9 p.m., admission 3d. Patronage of B.R.C.C. and P.R.C.C.—Advt.

I was delighted to see on your front page last week my well-known winning yellow hen, also my clear buff cock. The picture does your artist great credit, as I think they are both most life-like. I wish CAGE BIRDS continued success.—H. W. Turner (Manchester).

The Border City (Carlisle) O.S. show on New Year's Day will be a good opportunity for fanciers, writes Mr. J. C. Bell, the sec., as the train service locally is very good. The novice should have a grand time, as the champions will probably be at the big Scotch shows.

Certainly one of our well-known bird specialists, Mr. W. Rudd, of Norwich, is keeping business going in a surprising manner, as the following list of exports will show—all during this war period. Although born too long ago to be accepted for the front (he was, however, a Volunteer as long back as the time the muzzle-loading rifle was in use) he will be well represented there, as three of his sons have already joined for service abroad. Johannesburg (S. Africa), goods; British Columbia, live birds; Queens-town (S. Africa), goods; Wellington (New Zealand) live birds; Quetta (India) goods (two); Buenos Aires, live birds; Ontario (Canada), live birds; New York (U.S.A.), goods; Calcutta (India), goods; Mexico, live birds and goods; Genoa (Italy) live birds; Karachi (India), goods; Lagos (Nigeria) live birds; Kikuyu (British East Africa) live birds and goods; Bhujju (India) goods; Springfield (Ohio, U.S.A.) live birds; Shanghai, goods.

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Mr. Geo. Bennett, Luton, writes that he has removed from 163, High Town Road to 74, Boyle Street, Luton.

Windhill C.B.S. open show on Jan. 2 has the N.C.M.Y.C.C. patronage, writes Mr. J. Taylor, the sec., and the green-marked classes now read: Class 13, green-mkd. yellow cock; Class 13a, buff do.; Class 14, green-mkd. yellow hen; Class 14a, buff do. Will exhibitors please note these alterations when making entries?

In connection with the members' show of the Tong C.B.S. at the Hand and Shuttle Inn, on Dec. 26, three open price limit classes for Yorks. Canaries will be provided with seven cash prizes in each class, writes L. Hodgson, sec. (931, Wakefield Road, Dudley Hill). There will be a fat turkey for most points in the three classes, and a bottle of whisky for most points in the hen class. The proceeds of the show will be given to the Workpeople's Hospital Fund—see advt. under Yorkshires.

Prize-money Paid.

We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of the following shows. Anyone overlooked should apply to the respective hon. secs.: Hackney, Stoke Newington F.A.; Southampton C.B.S., Whitburn, Abersychan, City of Birmingham C.B.S.

The Irish Way.

We note that a certain Irish journal, after announcing that Mr. M. Arnstein was the judge of the foreign birds at the recent Cork show, went on to say that the "cage birds were an attractive exhibit; foreign birds were absent this year."

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High Wycombe's Cup.

I have duly received a cup for the cage bird section to be competed for amongst our members from a well-wisher at Ingestre, Stafford, writes Mr. S. C. Pearce, hon. sec. High Wycombe and Dist. F.S. My committee are pleased to accept this on terms mentioned, with many thanks. I have been asked to acknowledge through CAGE BIRDS, as no address or name was sent with same.

OBITUARY.

Mr. W. BLENKINSOP (Ushaw Moor).

I regret to inform you, writes Mr. J. Stanger, of the death of Mr. W. Blenkinsop (Messrs. Hanson and Blenkinsop), who died on Dec. 4th, at Ushaw Moor (Co. Durham). Mr. Blenkinsop, who was in his 69th year, was a keen Crest Fancier, and until a comparatively short time ago a regular attendant and exhibitor at all the important North Country Shows. In conjunction with his partner he won the first gold medal competed for by the members of the Northern Crest Club, and with the same bird, a yellow Green Crest-bred, was successful at the Crystal Palace Show. A controversy took place in your columns at the time with reference to this bird, one well-known judge maintaining it was a buff, a statement which he adhered to even after a few feathers were plucked from the bird and forwarded for his inspection; but the question was never in doubt as far as its owner and North Country breeders were concerned. Of a quiet, retiring disposition, Mr. Blenkinsop was well-known and highly respected amongst North Country fanciers. He is survived by a widow and grown-up family, to whom all will extend sympathy.

Corrections in Show Reports.

At Abersychan, the report of the unflighted buff Nor. class should read 2, Tedstone; 4, Mortimer, not 2 Mortimer, 4 Tedstone, as printed in catalogue. At Birmingham Messrs. Wells and Clempson won 2nd in yellow hen Yorks., not Burke; at the Northern Y.C.C. show G. Tweedie won 3rd in buff mkd., not Tindale; in unflighted hen Nor. at Birmingham Mr. Foxen won 4th, not Twine, and Mr. Wilson he, not Eckersley.

Cumnock's Continued Success.

The Cumnock and Dist. C.B.S. are proud to announce, writes Mr. Alex. Wyper, the secretary, that their show proved a success, having a record entry of 271. While we dropped £4 4s. on the year from outside subscriptions, the balance this year only showed a drop of £1 8s. 9d. from last year. After allocating £1 to Lord Eglington's branch of the War Fund, and £1 to the local Red Cross Fund, we carry forward a balance of practically £10 for 1915, which is gratifying under the circumstances.

A Personal Statement.

EVER since the outbreak of war between this country and Germany I have periodically experienced annoyance and been subjected to anonymous insults from a few narrow-minded people who cannot understand that a man may have a name foreign in character and yet be absolutely English by birth and blood. This form of persecution has already caused me visits by the Police Authorities at my private address and at my office, and has given me the unpleasant sensation of seeing myself falsely described as an "alien enemy" on a police dossier.

So far as any injury to my personal feelings is concerned, or for that matter so far as my pocket is affected, I can afford to shrug my shoulders at that particular form of misguided patriotism which is content to attack a man without evidence and to condemn him as a foreigner and a spy on bare suspicion. But the last instance in the direction of attacking me on account of my name is of so contemptible a character, and suggests to me so forcibly that silence on my part may be a danger to the cause for which I am working that I have decided to make a public statement concerning my nationality, which will have the effect I hope of once and for all stopping, or at any rate checking, these malicious rumours circulated through misapprehension or deliberate malice.

In connection with the National Egg Collection for the Wounded I have sent out on behalf of the Committee some thousands of circulars signed by myself as a member of the Committee. One of these circulars addressed to a member of the Poultry Club, apparently residing at Lewes, has been returned to the Secretary of the National Egg Collection with my name heavily underscored and the comment at the bottom of the letter: "Why not an Englishman?" The author of this is so un-English himself by disposition that he deliberately omits to stamp his letter, thereby causing the Collection to be unjustifiably and meanly mulcted in the sum of 2d. as a fine for his evidently wilful neglect.

I have a shrewd suspicion as to the identity of the author of this document, and I issue to him the following challenge:—I will forfeit the sum of £1,000 (one thousand pounds) to any war charity he likes to name if he can prove that there has been anything but English blood in my family on both sides for the last six generations. Further, I suggest to him that if he is as much a patriot as he evidently thinks he is, he will, in the case of being unable to traverse the truth of my declaration that I am of English parentage and descent, forfeit the sum of at least £10 on behalf of the Collection he has so pettishly taken advantage of.

I also think it necessary to give a warning to any other people who may imagine that because a man has a name of foreign origin he must necessarily be of foreign extraction or foreign birth, that I will institute legal proceedings without notice should they attempt to assail me further on such grounds, and give me sufficient evidence of their courage as to come out in the open on such a charge.

Though born in Australia, I have lived the greater part of my life in England. I am proud to consider myself as truly British as any of my assailants, and I am glad to think it is not a general characteristic of Englishmen to use underhand methods or to attack on mere suspicion by methods which prevent retaliation.

It affords me some satisfaction, too, to reflect that even the King to whom I own allegiance has a foreign name, and that there is just as little ground for attacking his loyalty to his country, as there is for attacking mine.

F. CARL.

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RUTHERGLEN C.B.A.

Annual Show, Reclimbite Halls, Nov. 7, Mr. Allan Chalmers, Kirkintilloch, judged at this, the society's most successful show. Mr. Jas. Lappin still holds the secretarial reins, and as usual everything passed off successfully. Mr. Joel makes a good vice-pres., and he and his colleague, ably backed up by the committee, got through the work in line style, and were rewarded with a good gate.

YOUNG BIRDS, CL. OR TKD., YELL. NOR. CK.: 1, 3, Hamilton, leader, line size and col., subs. and qual., trifle rough in feather; 3, griz capped, carries lights too high, otherwise well up; 2, M. Melville, smaller, but short and cobby, neat make, presses, well up; 4, W. Melville. **HEN:** 1, M. Melville, not a monster, but short, neat, and cobby, nice stamp; 2, Hamilton, rather more subs. and size, not quite so close or boxy in feather, still quite the equal of leader; 3, sp. Gilchrist, natural fed, perfect feather and cond., not quite so chubby; 4, Brown. **BUFF CK.:** 1, 2, Hamilton, leader, line size and hot col., broad, deep front, nice top end, just such to carry tail loosely; 2, nice size and fine qual. feather, behind in subs., but better carr.; 3, Brown, good qual., but beaten in size and subs.; 4, M. Melville. **HEN:** 1, 2, 3, 4, Hamilton, leader, plenty size and subs., grand qual., neat carr., trifle rough at thighs; 2, nice one, not quite so short and cobby; 3, 4, well up in size, col. and qual. **VAR. CK.:** 1, sp. rosebowl, best, 2, 3, 4, Hamilton, grand team, leader, grand yell., good size and A1 qual., cobby and neat, grand carr. and stylish make, staged to perfection; 2, buff, runs tight up on winner; 3, 4, nice typical, good qual. yell. **HEN:** 1, Brown, good yell., nice size, col., and qual., neatly braced and staged in grand trim; 2, M. Melville, well set buff, nice shape, good type, short, neatly placed legs, nicely carried wings, and tail; 3, 4, W. Melville, yell. and buff. **YOUNG BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.:** 1, sp. rosebowl, 3, Joel, leader, beauty for shape and carr., neat and stylish, well balanced, might be shade sweeter in head, staged to perfection; 3, sp. grand qual., line boxy feather, very shapely and neat; 2, Gilchrist, nice qual., neat head, good carr.; 4, Brown. **HEN:** 1, 2, 3, 4, Joel, leader, jaunty style, grand col. and fine qual., might be shade sweeter in head properties; 2, neat all over, sweet type, pressed hard for top honours, our choice; 3, good one, well staged. **BUFF CK.:** 1, 2, 3, Joel, leader, neat and shapely, well filled and clean cut, well balanced; 2, nice qual., fine barrel, clean and well drawn, trifle nervous when handled; 3, nice one in shape and qual., neat and typical, not quite finished yet. **HEN:** 1, Gilchrist, neat, shapely, good qual., well balanced; 2, 4, Joel, grand one for type and qual., neatly got up, jaunty carr. and style, staged in spotless cond.; 3, Brownie, nice one for shape and type, stylish and neat. **EVEN, ETC., YELL.:** 1, 3, Joel, leader, very neat and sweet, clean cut and jaunty style, fine head and neck, perfect carr., staged in perfect order; 3, nice one for qual., close and boxy appearance, just trifle chubby; 2, 4, Armour, 2, nice qual. and shape, fine wings and tail, falls a trifle at throat. **BUFF:** 1, 3, Joel, leader, nicely built, well drawn, fine even mkd. wings, neat carr., closely folded tail, steady and perfect in feather; 3, top qual. feather, shapely, steady, and handles well, not far behind; 2, Armour, fine qual., grand waxy feather, neat carr. and build, presses hard on leader; 4, Hutchison. **BUFF GR. OR CINN.:** 1, 2, 3, Hutchison, good all round team, capital cond. and perfect feather. **YELL.:** 1, 2, 3, Hutchison, nice lot, very even in qual., nice type and perfect feather, and pencilling, staged A1 cond. **CREST OR C.B.:** 1, 2, 3, 4, Brown, leads with nice size, even wing, D.C., nice body feather, neat crest, finely radiated and drooped, should improve; 2, C.B., good size and body subs.; 3, D.C., plenty body feather, nice back crest and sides. **MULE OR HYB.:** 1, Finnigan, good Linnet Mule, nice feather. **OLD BIRDS, CL. OR TKD. YELL., NOR.:** 1, Hamilton, grand size, hot, rich, even col., fine head, well filled neck, grand front, not quite finished; 2, W. Melville, equal for size and subs., closer in feather, but not so well balanced at top end; 3, M. Melville, good size and col. **HEN:** 1, W. Melville, nice size and qual., line style, neat carr., clean cut and well put together; 2, M. Melville, well up, but rather longer behind; 3, Gilchrist. **BUFF CK.:** 1, 3, Hamilton, leader, A1 col., well mealed, grand size, and fine qual., thick set, faultless cond. and wins well; 3, plenty size and subs., bit open in feather; 2, M. Melville, nat. col., top cond., well balanced at top end, neat fronted, well braced; 4, W. Melville. **HEN:** 1, 4, Hamilton, leader, good qual., plenty subs., nice cobby build, perfect carr., rather fat for our taste; 2, W. Melville, fine model, nice subs., rich qual. feather, well mealed, stylish, and shapely, our choice; 3, M. Melville, nice size and carr., good feather. **VAR., ETC. CK.:** 1, Hamilton, yell. gr., short and cobby in build, neat carr., clean cut, shapely; 2, M. Melville, var. yell., hot in col., good shape; 3, W. Melville, var. buff, nice cond.; 4, Bagen. **HEN:** 1, M. Melville, nice buff gr., good subs. and feather, trifle gripped round neck, otherwise in good cond.; 2, 3, 4, Hamilton, leader, yell. var., good qual. feather, nice subs. and typical; 3, similar for col. and markings, fine head, neck and front, sweetly braced. **OLD BORD., CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK.:** 1, sp. Hutchison, topping order, neat, clean cut and shapely, perfect carr., laid down creditably; 2, sp. Bagen, nice one for size, col. and carr.; 3, Joel, nice one, quite the equal of 2nd, A1 cond. **BUFF:** 1, Joel, lovely order. **HEN:** 1, Bagen, nice qual., but soft when we saw her. **YELL., EVEN., ETC.:** 1, Armour, right size, and shape, nice qual., trifle unsteady when handled; 2, Joel, beauty for feather and cond., grand taper and neat wings and tail, runs hard up on winner. **BUFF:** 1, Hutchison, fine qual., neat shape and carr.; 2, Joel, right up for type and qual., well drawn and neatly braced, better in head and neck than leader, winning when we took our hats. **BUFF GR., ETC.:** 1, Hutchison, shapely and neat, good carr. and style, nicely pencilled, only fault too strong in head properties. **YELL. GR., ETC.:** 1, Hutchison, nice feather and good carr., right grassy col., neat markings. **CREST OR C.B.:** 1, ep. 4, Brown, leader, monster, C.B., great body subs., plenty feather, grand lath and back skull; 2, W. Melville, even D.C., rare cond., evenly radiated, good droop, creditably staged; 3, M. Melville, broken gr., C.B., in nice feather, nice one throughout, only fails to leader in subs. **GOLDF.:** 1, nice one for size, col., and marks, but unsteady; 2, Finnigan, steadier, not so dense in col. or expansive in blaze. **BULF.:** 1, Brown, fine for size and col., perfect boxy feather, and broad, expansive, neat fitting jet black cap and perfect bars, staged to win; 2, Crone, well up for size, but beaten in feather and condition. **LINNET:** 1, Finnigan, nice size, steady, fine feather, neatly pencilled on rich, nutty brown ground; 2, Crone, well up for size and cond., perfect feather, beaten in depth of col. and markings; 3, Bagen, good size, better col., but very wild. **SISKIN, ETC.:** 1, 3, Crone, leader, Twite, steady and perfect in

feather, finely pencilled; 2, nice Siskin, in good order; 3, good 'Poll; 4, Brown. **GREENF.:** 1, Crone, line nat. col., A1 size and qual., very steady, perfect in feather; 2, Brown, nice col. fed, perfect feather, neat and very steady, must have pressed hard. **LESSER REDPOLL:** 1, Finnigan, good size, perfect feather, nice col. and rich pencilling, little beauty; 2, Crone, good one for size, and steadiness, beaten in pencilling; 3, Brown, well up for size and cond., fails in depth of ground col. and pencilling. **A.O.V.:** SMALL: 1, sp. rosebowl, best Brit., W. Brown, lovely Ortolan Hunting, perfect feather, steady and rich in col., in the pink; 2, Finnigan, grand Bramble, line size, nice cond., rich col. and spangling, steady and creditably staged; 3, Brown, Bramble, similar for size and cond., not quite so rich in ground col.; 4, Crone. **SMALL BRIT. HEN FOR MULING, ETC.:** 1, 2, Crone, Bramble and Siskin, perfect feather, nice size and col., steady, and well staged; 3, 4, Brown, nice Greenie, rather soft and good sized Bramble. **LARGE BRIT.:** 1, 3, Brown, leading with line Corn Bunting, plenty size and steady, rich col., neat spangling; 3, fine Hawfinch, rare col., not quite up to 2nd for size, but richer in col., very steady and perfect in feather; 2, Crone, massive Hawfinch, perfect feather, well known face; 4, Shields. **SELL., 10s.:** 1, M. Melville; 2, W. Melville; 3, Bagen; 4, Brown. **GIFT:** 1, M. Melville; 2, McNeil; 3, Brown; 4, Joel.

QUEEN'S PARK (London) C.B.A.

Members' tenth Annual Show, Nov. 7, Emmanuel Hall, Harrow Road. Entries were good and quality tip top, particularly the Norwich, some lovely specimens being staged by Messrs Battison, Butterfield, Withers, Smith, Burt, Wise, etc. In Championships Mr. Battison won spl. for best Norwich with a grand yell. of wonderful substance, the unflinching spl. being secured by Mr. W. N. Smith with a yell. of capital quality and col. Overfatness was a fault with many of the exhibits, and more than one had to stand down in consequence. Yorkshires were a nice lot. Spl. for best unflinched was secured by Mr. Sanders with a good yell. Mr. Glanville winning for best Yorks. in Championships. The Hybrid spl. fell to Messrs. Cyster and Hill's yell. Goldie-Canary, a fine bird of good col. Mr. B. R. Lowe, the Sec., had everything in perfect order. The exhibition was well attended. Mr. H. Norman judged.

NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Battison; 2, 3, Withers; vhc. he, c. Butterfield. **BUFF:** 1, 3, he, Butterfield; 2, Battison; vhc. Withers. **YELL. HEN:** 1, 2, vhc. Butterfield; 3, Battison. **BUFF:** 1, 3, vhc. Butterfield; 2, Withers; he, Battison. **UNFLIG.:** 1, 3, Withers; 2, Butterfield; vhc. he, Battison. **NOV. YELL.:** 1, Smith; 2, 3, vhc. he, Burt. **BUFF:** 1, 3, W. Smith; 2, he, Burt; vhc. Bonniwell and Son; c. W. N. Smith. **YELL. HEN:** 1, Wise; 2, W. N. Smith; 3, W. Smith. **BUFF:** 1, Burt; 2, he, c. Bonniwell and Son; 3, vhc. Smith. **UNFLIG.:** 1, W. N. Smith; 2, Burt; 3, vhc. W. Smith; he, c. Ratcliff. **PURCHASED:** 1, W. Smith; 2, Bonniwell. **YORKS. YELL. CK.:** 1, Glanville. **BUFF:** 1, Glanville; 2, Lloyd. **YELL. HEN:** 1, Lloyd. **BUFF:** 1, Lloyd; 2, Glanville. **UNFLIG.:** 1, Lloyd; 2, Glanville. **AMAT. YELL. CK.:** 1, Birch; 2, 3, Sanders. **BUFF:** 1, Birch; 2, Sanders. **YELL. HEN:** 1, 2, Sanders; 3, vhc. Birch. **BUFF:** 1, Birch; 2, Sanders. **UNFLIG.:** 1, Birch. **NOV. YELL. CK.:** 1, 2, Bonniwell and Son; 2, he, Lowe; vhc. Perrett; c. Ratcliff. **BUFF:** 1, Lowe; 2, Bonniwell and Son; 3, Perrett; vhc. Curtis. **YELL. HEN:** 1, vhc. Bonniwell and Son; 2, Thornton; 3, Hannaford; vhc. Ratcliff. **UNFLIG.:** 1, 3, Bonniwell and Son; 2, Smith; vhc. he, Lowe; c. Hannaford. **BUFF:** 1, he, Lowe; 2, Bonniwell and Son; vhc. Perrett; c. Hannaford. **PURCHASED:** 1, Cyster and Hill. **MULES:** 1, 2, 3, Cyster and Hill. **BRIT.:** 1, 2, Cyster and Hill; 3, Clark. **GOLDF.:** 1, Ratcliff; 2, vhc. Cyster and Hill; 3, he, Lowe; c. Clark. **CHAFFINCH:** 1, 3, Lowe; 2, Clark. **LINNET:** 1, 3, Lowe; 2, Clarke; vhc. he, Cyster and Hill. **SISKIN, ETC.:** 1, 2, Cyster and Hill; 3, vhc. he, Clark; c. Lowe. **A.O.V.:** 1, Lowe. **HENS:** 1, 2, Clark.

BERWICK.

Berwick C.C. annual show, King's Arms Assembly Rooms, Oct. 31. Entries were down from last year, no doubt owing to the war. The society gave the entire gate and sales proceeds to the Belgian and War Relief Funds. Mr. W. Hay won cup for best young Canary or Mule bred by exhibitor with a grand cl. yell. Nor. cock; A. Hay took cup for most points in Brit. and For.; G. Brown B.F.C.C. medal with a clinking buff hen, which only lost the cup on the spin of the coin; and J. A. Purvis the Mayor's cash sp. for most points. Messrs. Robert Lambie (Whitburn) and Wm. Finnie (Edinburgh) judged and gave every satisfaction.

SCOTCH FANCY: Four classes, 1 each, all Thompson. **NOR. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (1):** 1, sp., cup, W. Hay. **BUFF (2):** 1, 2, Makins. **A.O. YELL. (2):** 1, Sutherland; 2, Makins. **CL. OR TKD. HEN (2):** 1, Sutherland; 2, Makins. **A.O. COL. HEN (2):** 1, 2, sp., Makins. **CREST (3):** 1, 2, 3, Craigs. **BORD. CL. YELL. (16):** 1, Smart; 2, Short; 3, Brown; 4, vhc. Walker; he, J. Purvis; c. Briggs. **HEN (16):** 1, 1, he, Brown; 2, Purvis; 3, vhc. J. Purvis; 4, Smart; c. Short. **BUFF CK. (19):** 1, he, J. Purvis; 2, Briggs; 3, vhc. c. Smart; 4, Walker. **HEN (20):** 1, B.F.C.C. medal, Brown; 2, Smart; 3, Short; 4, Irvine; vhc. R. Purvis; he, Sutherland; c. Walker. **EVEN MKD. (4):** 1, Schooler; 2, Walker; 3, W. Hay. **UN-EVEN YELL. (15):** 1, Brown; 2, Morland; 3, he, Walker; 4, vhc. J. Purvis; c. Short. **BUFF (14):** 1, Walker; 2, Schooler; 3, Meston; 4, Brown; vhc. J. Purvis; he, R. Purvis; c. Blackhall. **FOUL YELL. (16):** 1, Brown; 2, he, Smart; 3, Walker; 4, Meston; vhc. Irvine; c. Short. **BUFF (19):** 1, Briggs; 2, Meston; 3, Walker; 4, J. Purvis; vhc. Irvine; he, Wakenshaw; c. Smart. **GR. OR CINN. (3):** 1, 2, Smart; 3, J. Purvis. **MULE OR HYB. (4):** 1, 3, J. Purvis; 2, Walker; 4, A. Hay. **GOLDF. OR BULF. (8):** 1, 3, J. Purvis; 2, vhc. he, Grey; c. Craigs. **LINNET, ETC. (12):** 1, Wakenshaw; 2, J. Purvis; 3, he, c. A. Hay; vhc. Sutherland. **A.O. SMALL BRIT. (7):** 1, 3, c. A. Hay; 2, he, Sutherland; vhc. Morland. **FOR. (10):** 1, Sutherland; 2, 3, vhc. he, c. Grey; 4, Morland. **NOV. BORD. YELL. (5):** 1, 2, 4, Short; 3, McDonald; vhc. Blackhall. **BUFF (7):** 1, 2, vhc. Short; 3, he, c. Blackhall; 4, McDonald. **OLD BIRDS, PAIRS (7):** 1, A. Hay; 2, 4, Makins; 3, he, Sutherland; vhc. Wakenshaw. **GIFT CK. (10):** 1, Briggs; 2, Brown; 3, vhc. Grey; 4, he, Smart; c. J. Purvis. **HEN (23):** 1, Schooler; 2, Briggs; 3, A. Hay; 4, Short; vhc. Brown; he, McDonald; c. R. Purvis. **NOR. (5):** 1, 3, Makins; 2, 4, W. Hay. **BORD. (10):** 1, he, Smart; 2, vhc. J. Purvis; 3, 4, W. Hay; c. Schooler.

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GLASGOW (West End).

5th annual show, Nov. 21, Co-operative Hall, St. George's Cross. A very suitable one for the purpose, plenty of light, and free from draught. Birds were neatly staged all round. British came up well, and some outstanding exhibits were among them. Borders were a nice typical lot. The entry totalled about 250, and was considered very satisfactory. Cup and specials were on view, and made an imposing display. Gold medal best bird and Norwich cup were won by J. Tawse; Border cup and B.F.C.C. medal, D. Lunn; Mulo cup, G. G. Henderson. Sec. W. Proudfoot had all arrangements in good order, and was ably assisted by the Pres., A. Hendry, Vice-Pres. P. Allan and A. Symington, and the committee, Messrs. McGown, Lunn, C. Campbell, J. Campbell, Gillespie, Law, and Newgreen. The judges were Mr. J. F. Dewar (Edinburgh) Canaries, Mr. P. McQuiston, Ayr, the remainder, and their awards pleased all.

YOUNG BIRDS, C.B.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Hamilton, fine lot, of good size and subs., leader excels lashing. **NOR. YELL. CK.:** 1, D. Campbell, nice size, col., and cond. **BUFF:** 1, gold medal, and cup, Tawse, grand youngster, line size and subs., good head, neck, and col., finely mealed; 2, sp. Henderson, nice size, subs., and qual., behind col.; 3, Tawse, line type, loses in size and head properties; 4, sp. D. Campbell; 5, Henderson. **BUFF VAR. CK.:** 1, 2, Tawse, 1 good stamp, cobby shape, splendid qual. 2 scarcely so cobby, otherwise equal; 3, sp. J. Campbell. **YELL. HEN:** 1, Tawse, head mkd., fine head neck, and qual. **BUFF:** 1, sp. Tawse, rare head, neck, and front, fine salmon tint, wins well; 2, Henderson, fine col. and cond.; 3, D. Campbell, good qual. **VARIEG.:** 1, D. Campbell, saddle mkd., fine size, subs. and qual.; 2, J. Campbell, almost gr., fine qual. and cond.; 3, Tawse, nice qual., behind in size and head. **GL. OR CINN.:** 1, 2, Hamilton, both cinn., good size, col., and qual. **NON-FED:** 1, Tawse, cl. buff, cobby shape, good eye head and neck, excellent qual. **BORD. YELL. CK.:** 1, 3, Symington, 1 lovely qual., well braced flights, good carr., 3 we liked, better proportioned, excellent qual., fine wing and tail carr., shade paler in col.; 2, 6, Lunn, fine qual. and cond., behind in head and neck; 4, Sellar; 5, J. Campbell; 7, Tawse. **HEN:** 1, 2, Symington, 1 tkd., fine round head and body, good qual., 2 tkd. on neck, line type and lovely qual.; 3, Lunn, typical. **BUFF CK.:** 1, B.F.C.C. medal and cup, 5, Lunn, gem of a Bord., fine round head and body, best of wing and tail carr., qual. and cond.; 2, Sellar, excellent qual. and cond., fine shape; 3, Mitchell, lovely qual. and col.; 4, J. Campbell; 6, Booth. **HEN:** 1, 2, Lunn, 1 fine qual., neat shape and wings, nice easy carr., 2 hardly so neat wing carr., still line shape and qual.; 3, Symington, wing mkd., good type and qual., shade thin at neck; 4, sp. Campbell; 5, Tawse; 6, Sellar; 7, Robertson. **YELL. VARIEG.:** 1, 2, Lunn, 1 wing mkd., fine short boxy feather, lovely sheen, grand col. and shape, 2 wing mkd., behind in qual. only; 3, Robertson, splendid col., qual., and cond., falls head; 4, Sellar; 5, Campbell. **BUFF:** 1, Campbell, head and wing mkd., fine round head and body, splendid qual., wing, and tail carr.; 2, 6, Symington, 2 equal qual. and wing carr., shade thin at neck; 3, Sellar, sweetly moulded, good qual., col., and cond.; 4, 7, Robertson; 5, Mitchell. **CINN. OR GR.:** 1, sp. 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, Lunn, grand lot, 1 gr., 2 cinn., 4 cinn., all in spotless cond.; 3, sp. Sellar, cinn., fine ground col., shape, and qual.; 8, Robertson. **NOV. CK.:** 1, Mitchell, cl. yell. fine shape, lovely qual., rich even col., neat wings; 2, Booth, cl. buff, nice round head and body, good qual., well braced flights. **YORKS.:** 5 classes, all awards to Cochrane, with a grand lot. **DK. MULE:** 1, 2, sp. cup, Henderson, very fine Siskin yell., good col. and size, fine bloom; 2, sp. Mitchell, Linnet, buff, good size and shape, will improve every way. **OLD BIRDS, CREST:** 1, 2, Hamilton, both grizzled crest, cl. body, winner excels in radiation, good size and subs., fine centre and droop. **C.B.:** 1, sp. 2, J. Hamilton, gr., and two varieg., all good size, nicely lashed, and fine entrance. **NOR. CK.:** 1, Hyde's sp. J. Campbell, fine size and subs., rare head and neck, deep front, good qual., col., and cond.; 2, ep. Tawse, fine qual., nicely frosted, good chest, col., and cond., falls head only; 3, McGown, yell., good size and col.; 4, 5, c. Campbell. **VARIEG.:** 1, 2, Tawse, 1 yell., rare size, subs., and qual., cobby shape, 2 yell., fine head, size, and qual., shade long in body and flights; 3, 5, McGown, 3 buff, good size, qual., and cond.; 4, Henderson. **CL. HEN:** 1, Tawse, medium size, fine head and neck, short, cobby body, fine deep front, short flights and tail, A1 qual., close up; 3, J. Campbell, good qual. of feather, loses in head and size; 4, C. Campbell. **VARIEG.:** 1, Bannerman, buff, fine type and qual. **GR. OR CINN.:** 1, 2, 3, Hamilton, all cinn., good size, col., and cond. **NON-FED:** 1, Henderson, varieg., medium size, fine head and neck, bold front; 2, Mitchell, close up, equal head, neck, and front, trifle rough in feather; 3, 4, J. Campbell, 3 good stamp, fine qual.; 5, McGown. **BORD. YELL.:** 1, sp. Lunn, tkd. head, fine round one, excellent qual. of feather, fine sheen; 2, J. Campbell, sweetly made, lovely qual., fine even col., good carr.; 3, Tawse, cl. rich col., qual., and cond.; 4, Booth; 5, 6, Proudfoot. **VARIEG.:** 1, 2, Proudfoot, cinn. mkd. yell., rich qual., col., and cond., fine round heads and bodies. **BUFF:** 1, J. Campbell, well proportioned, fine, short, boxy feather, nice free carr.; 2, Proudfoot, good stamp, well braced wings, fine cond. **GR. OR CINN.:** 1, 2, 3, Lunn, 1 gr., neat head and body, good col. and lacing, 2 gr., fine qual., col., and cond., easy carr.; 4, Sellar. **YORKS. CK.:** 1, 2, sps, 2, 3, 4, 5, Cochrane, 1 cl. buff, rare length and pos., line smooth front, free from frill, well up on leg, 2 cl. yell., grand qual. and pos., stands up well, 3 tkd. buff, fine shape and qual., well shown. **HEN:** 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Cochrane, all in lovely order. **MULE OR HYB.:** 1, sp. McGown, varieg. Goldie, fine size, shape, and qual., grand bloom; 2, Allan, Dark Linnet Mule, good size, rich col., fine laced front; 3, Glass, shade smaller, good col., qual., and cond. **GOLDF.:** 1, 2, Henderson, 1 rare plushlike face, rich col., good tannings and buttons, fine size and shape, 2 fine square cut face, not so expansive, full bloom; 3, Tawse, good size and shape, behind in richness of haze. **BULF.:** 1, 3, 6, Gillespie, 1 F.M., good size, chubby body, rich col., fine cap and bars, 3 F.M., lighter tone of col., neat shape and wing bars; 2, Tawse, rare col. for H.M. bird, grand cap and bars, fine size, shape, and bloom, very close up; 4, Robb; 5, Henderson; 7, Symington; 8, Allan; good class. **LINNET:** 1, Robb, fine size, shape, and col., nicely laced, steady, and good shaver; 2, 5, Henderson, 2 lighter tone of col., good breast, fine flights, size, and shape; 3, Glass, good size, shape, and cond.; 4, 6, Gillespie; 7, Glass; 8, Allan, fine lot. **SISKIN, ETC.:** 1, 3, Henderson, 1 very fine Twite, good size, col., and whites, well laced breast, steady, and rare cond.; 3, Siskin, good shape and cap; 2, Allan, good sized Mealy, fine head, bib, and cond.; 4, Glass; 5, Booth; 6, Proudfoot; 7, Henderson. **GREENF.:** 1, 2, Henderson, grand pair, 1 bold head and front, rare size, good flights, 2 better qual., fine sheen and col., lighter build; 3, sp. Tawse, good size, flights, and tail, shade darker tone of col., grand bloom, close up; 4, Allan; 5, Glass; 6, Robb; 7, Gillespie; 8, McGown. **CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE:** 1,

sp. 3, Henderson, Chaffinches, 1 rare size and col., fine bloom, shapely and steady, good whites and cond.; 3 line size and col., trifle rough; 2, Glass, rich col., Bramble, nice size and maul; 4, Robb. **BUNTING:** 1, 2, sps, 2, 3, 4, Henderson, 1 Cirl, grand size, shape and markings, 2 Corn, good col., size, and steady, 3 Snow, pure in col., good size and cond.; 4, yellow. **HEN BARKBILL:** 1, 2, 4, 5, Henderson, 1 Bramble, line size and col., 2 Greenie, good shape, size, and flights; 3, Proudfoot, Bulite, F.M., line size, shape, and steady; 6, Robb. **A.O. BRIT.:** 1, Henderson, very fine Shore Lark, grand markings and cond. **FOR.:** LARGE: 1, 2, sp. Proudfoot, King Parrot, old warrior, looking well; 2, Allan, Ringneck, in grand plumage. **SMALL:** 1, 3, Henderson, 1 champion pair of Diamond Sparrows, wonderful cond.; 2, 5, Allan, 2 beautiful pair of Zebra Finches, very chummy; 4, Glass, splendid col. and cond. **GIFT (12):** 3 credit to the society, birds were given by McGown, J. Campbell, Hamilton, Cochrane, Tawse, Allan, D. Lunn, Sellar, G. Henderson, Booth, W. Lunn, J. Henderson.

NEWSHAM.

Annual show, Oct. 24, in the large clubroom above the Willow Tree Inn, a capital place for the purpose, plenty of size, nice light, and freedom from draught. The 15 classes provided brought forth the nice total of nearly 180 birds, constituting for quality about the finest confined show we have yet seen. Norwich were really splendid, the majority being beautifully true to type and teeming with quality and colour. This section provided the cup winner for best bird in show, Mr. J. Armstrong winning the honour with a grand buff cock. Yorks. and Borders also made a fine display, while the other sections also contained some nice exhibits. The society is well officered, Mr. J. Thompson being president, while the chairman is the well-known Norwich exhibitor, Mr. G. Dobinson. Other officials are Mr. J. Rutherford, vice-chair, Mr. W. Gibb, assist. sec., and a grand committee composed of Messrs. R. Rowell, J. Armstrong, T. Griffiths, R. Turnbull, J. Hudspeth, J. Yallowley, J. Short, J. Elliott, A. Taylor, and T. Dixon. The genial and courteous secretary, Mr. C. Snowdon, understands his work from end to end, and his arrangements were carried out without the slightest hitch. Special prize winners: Best Nor. and best bird in show, Armstrong; best Yorks., Gibb; Bord., Elliott; Crest or C.B., Rowell; Cinn., Richardson. The show was well patronised, and should be a financial success. Mr. W. Reid (Sunderland) judged.

NOR. YELL. 1914 (12): 1, Armstrong, tkd. wing, lovely shape, nice size, beautifully rounded chest, hot col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 2, Dobinson, cl. bit longer, yet a grand bird, good head and neck, nice chest, good col. and qual., not quite so hot in tone; 3, Richardson, nice shape and size, neat head and chest; vhc. he, Griffiths; c. Hodgett. **BUFF (17):** Grand class; 1, sp. Armstrong, head tkd., medium size, magnificent shape, short and thick set, well rounded chest, grand head and neck, lovely wings and tail, teeming with qual. and col.; 2, vhc. Griffiths, grand shape, not the subs. of leader, neat head and neck, nice col. and qual., neat wing and tail carr., well cleaned out; 3, Yallowley, varieg., fine shape and carr.; he, c. Dobinson. **HEN (21):** A hot lot; 1, Griffiths, wing tkd. buff, medium size, short, thick set, grand col., and teeming with qual., neat head, grand chest and back, beautiful wings and tail; 2, Dobinson, grizzle head, lovely shaped yell., rare deep chest, good head and neck; 3, Yallowley, cl., nice size, good shape, neat head and neck, nice body, well carried wings and tail; vhc. Elliott; he, Hodgett; c. Richardson. **CINN. 1914 (6):** 1, vhc. Richardson, nice buff, medium size, good shape, nice col. and qual., neat wing carr.; 2, he, Rowell, big yell., plenty of subs., nice head, gets wing across; 3, Griffiths, yell., nice shape, good col. and qual., level in tone, beaten in size; c. Armstrong. **CREST OR C.B. 1914 (5):** 1, 3, Rowell, leader varieg. D.C., nice size, neat shaped crest, of nice formation, nice droop and density, 3 nearly gr., similar size and shape, but not so neat in crest; 2, Marshall, varieg. C.B., nice size, good shaped skull, nice rise and entrance, plenty of good feather; vhc. he, Hodgett. **YORKS. YELL. 1914 (10):** 1, Gibb, fine length, grand pos., straight as a rush, hot col., grandly braced wings and tail; 2, he, Richardson, nice length, straight up, neat shoulders and waist, well drawn, neat head, good wings and tail, loses in col.; 3, vhc. Taylor, nice length, stylish, well up on leg, nice wings and tail; c. Wakenshaw. **BUFF (10):** 1, Richardson, very slim and stylish, nice length, well rounded and finely drawn, good col. and qual., neat head, grandly carried wings and tail; 2, Taylor, fine style and pos., well up, neatly drawn, nice shoulders and waist, good wings and tail; 3, Wakenshaw, nice length, neat head and neck, neat wing carr.; vhc. Gibb; he, Wakenshaw; c. Marshall. **HEN (12):** 1, 3, Dixon, leader cinn. mkd. yell., lovely style and pos., fine length, slim, and finely drawn, neat head, good col. and qual., 3rd tkd. buff, nice length, straight as a rush, grand shoulders; 2, Gibb, buff, lovely style, medium length, well up on good legs, lovely col. and qual., neat head and neck, well rounded hack; vhc. c. Wakenshaw; he, Elliott. **BORD. YELL. 1914 (17):** 1, Elliott, smart and stylish, grand shape, sweet head, lovely col. and qual., grandly cleaned out, beautifully carried wings and tail; 2, 3, Foster, leader grand shape, well rounded, good head, wings and tail, lovely col., 3rd trifle longer, fine shape, nicely balanced, sweet head, nice col. and qual., fine carr.; vhc. Yallowley; he, Hudspeth; c. Short. **BUFF (16):** 1, Hudspeth, beauty all over, grand shape, sweet head and neck, lovely col. and qual., beautiful wings and tail; 2, Foster, four-pointed, fine shape, neat head, well balanced, good col. and qual., well cleaned out, lovely carr.; 3, vhc. Yallowley, cl., nice one for shape, sweet head, good col. and qual., neat wings and tail; he, Short; c. Dobinson. **HEN (22):** 1, Foster, variegated yell., lovely shape, grand head and neck, well rounded body, beautifully cleaned out, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 2, 3, Short, buff leading, grand shape, well rounded, good head and neck, fine col. and qual., well carried wings and tail, 3rd yell., nice shape, very stylish, neat head, good back, nice carriage, just lacks the tight condition of leader; vhc. Hudspeth; he, c. Yallowley. **NOV. A.V. (4):** 1, 2, Spratt, leader Yell. Gr. Bord., lovely shape, well rounded, sweet head, beautiful col., level tone, grand wings and tail, 2nd Yell. Gr. Bord., very similar, but not quite so pure in col.; 3, vhc. Armstrong, Yell. Nor., medium size and shape, nice col. and qual. **A.O.V. (12):** 1, Foster, Yell. Gr. Bord., lovely shape, magnificent col., teeming with qual., grand head and back, beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, 3, Spratt, Yell. and Buff Cinn. Bord., both sweet shape, grand col., very level in tone, good wing carr., good condition; vhc. he, Short; c. Griffiths. **BRIT. (5):** 1, Short, Goldf., medium size, nice shape, nice blaze of good col., nice tans, good cond.; 2, Hodgett, Greenf., nice size and shape, short and thick, nice col., good cond.; 3, vhc. Yallowley, Chaff., medium size, nice shape; he, no name. **LINNET (5):** 1, 3, Yallowley, leader not a big one, but nice col. and pencilling, wins on cond.; 2, Elliott, nice size and shape, good col. and pencilling, feathers missing behind head; vhc. Short; he, no name.

TROUBLES OF BIRD BREEDERS

AND HOW TO OVERCOME THEM.

Instructive short articles read in the recent Essay competition of the City and Suburban A.C.B.

How to Avoid Sweating Hens.

First Prize Essay by H. J. Goodman.

WHEN I first commenced the breeding of Canaries I was at the commencement troubled by three of my hens "sweating" the young. In consequence I lost several broods of what at first appeared to be healthy youngsters. I asked a fancier friend how to remedy this awful sacrifice of possible Palace winners (!) and he cheerfully replied, "There is no remedy."

At the end of the season I gave two of these "perspirers" to a friend to add to his stud. I retained the third, as she was a very good bird. I thought I would try her again the next season and put the eggs, when laid, under another hen.

When next season came round I duly paired her, and she laid the usual four eggs. Not having another hen available for incubating purposes, I let her sit, and in due course four chicks appeared. All went well with them until the fourth day, when, on looking into the nest, I observed that instead of presenting a downy appearance they looked as if they had just come out of a bath!

I had left the cock bird in with the hen up to this time, but as I had thoughts of pairing him with another hen I removed the old gentleman on that day. The hen immediately came off the nest and commenced calling to him and fighting at the bars to get out of the cage. As she would not return to her young I met her half way by placing the cock in a Yorkshire show cage and hanging him on the bars of the breeder. She soon afterwards returned to the young.

A Pleasing Discovery.

The next morning the chicks appeared to be dryer, so I prepared a fresh nest, and, first warming it at the fire, placed the youngsters in it and put the lot back into the cage. On examining them in the evening I was pleased to see that they had recovered their dry, downy appearance.

I adopted this course of action in another case where signs of sweating appeared, and with the same good result. I do not say this plan will work in every case, but in most instances I think it will. On the removal of the cock the hen has to shift for herself, and perhaps makes a wiser selection of food. On her visits to the seed and egg food the chicks get some welcome ventilation and the temperature in the nest does not become too great. Further, the cock bird being in such close proximity causes her to make a longer absence, as, in response to his calls, she will go to the bars to "talk matters over."

I do not think that the hen actually sweats and transfers the moisture from herself to the young. "Sweating," so called, is brought about by the chicks suffering from diarrhoea, caused by improper feeding. The excrement, therefore, being liquid, cannot be dealt with by the hen. The heat from her when sitting causes moisture to rise, and the young, together with the breast-feathers of the hen, present an appearance like "sweating."

Summing Up the Situation.

To sum up the situation: Remove the cock bird, and the hen will carry out her maternal duties in a natural manner. Do not give green food until the young are a week old, and then be sure that such green food is quite fresh and free from wet. Put a pinch of maw seed or a very small portion of crushed hemp with the egg-food, so as to attract the hen to this portion of the menu. If the youngsters are fed by the hen with a large amount of seed in their early days it upsets their digestion and causes diarrhoea, which in turn causes "sweating."

This last season I have carried out the plan outlined here and I have not lost one youngster by sweating. I had 52 hatched, and out of these lost only three, and they died from causes other than sweating.

Previously, sweating claimed a large percentage of my chicks, so I think that there is something in my plan worth considering, and trust that if my friends and good fanciers of the City and Suburban Society will try this system, they will have no cause for regret.

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Bad Feeding Hens and their Cure.

Second Prize Essay by G. Thurley.

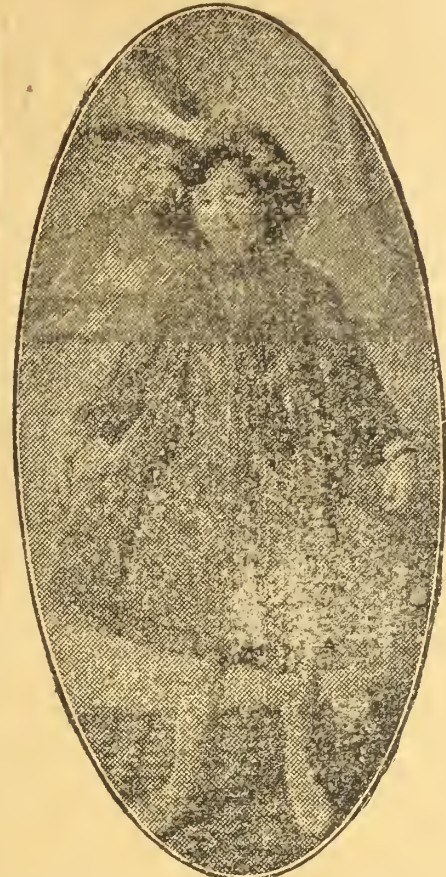
THE subject of my essay, I presume, has troubled all bird fanciers in a greater or less degree, and although I do not profess to have discovered a remedy that will cure all and every bad feeding hen, I must say that during the past breeding season I have lost only one nest of youngsters through "non feeding," and this was with a hen that laid another clutch of eggs when her youngsters were 8 days old.

There is no doubt I shall bring down on myself a storm of indignation and disapproval when I say that for non-feeding hens fanciers have largely only themselves to blame. If a breeder has a bird approaching the exhibition standard he keeps it for breeding purposes regardless of practically everything else. Here I maintain we make a huge mistake! Of what use is it to hatch out nests of promising youngsters and then see them through lack of nourishment making their way rapidly to the dustbin? What is more exasperating, and at the same time depressing, than this common experience in the breeding room?

Good in Two Respects.

For the past three seasons I have been working on the lines of trying to produce an exhibition, and at the same time a good feeding strain. It is a very slow process, as elimination must be very severe, but I am satisfied I have made material progress in this direction. To mention one example, I may say that the unflighted buff cock that won the diploma at our last show is from the third generation of good feeders, and if I can find a suitable hen (combining the essential qualities that I require) for him, I hope next season, with the approval of Dame Fortune, to be another step nearer my goal.

But with all our care in the process of selec-



In this Fancy Costume (made of CAGE BIRDS coloured plates) Miss Elma Linsden, daughter of the president of the Leith O.S., did good work at the society's annual show, collecting £1 3s. 1d. for the Prince of Wales' Relief Fund.

tion we are bound to meet with cases of "throwing back," and for these we must have special treatment. As soon as a hen is observed to be slack in feeding, give her two or three doses of Glauber Salts—a crystal the size of a split pea in the drinking water—and if to this is also added six drops of syrup of rhubarb, a stimulating effect is usually produced.

After the plain diet given during incubation, the egg supplied during the first week after hatching is very apt to affect the bird's liver, and it is to stir up this organ that the

salts and rhubarb are given. If we could only realise how lethargic and lazy we ourselves are when our livers are out of order, we might perhaps be more in sympathy with our feathered pets!

Green stuff, especially watercress, I have found to be exceedingly useful to slack feeders. Do not give much at a time, only about one spray, but use at least twice a day if the hen takes to it.

Another of my favourite tit-bits is boiled hemp. If some good sound hemp-seed is allowed to simmer in a saucepan of boiling water for about 45 minutes it will be found that each kernel has a white "shoot" some eighth of an inch long coming out of it. When in this condition strain off the water and allow seed to drain and cool. When cool and fairly dry, give a tea-spoonful to each hen. This, with me, rarely fails to have a good effect; but it should not be given too frequently.

Germinated Seed Useful.

Another useful change, and one that was commended by a fancier of 25 years' experience, is to mix some hemp, canary and rape together and pour on some moderately warm water. Allow to stand until seed is thoroughly soaked; then pour off the liquid, cover up the vessel and place in a warm, dark place. After a time, which will be almost entirely controlled by the temperature, these seeds will germinate. If at this stage the mixture is dried somewhat and then given to the hens, they will usually eat it with avidity and proceed to share it with their progeny. This liking is, no doubt, due to the fact that during the process of germination much of the starchy matter in the seed is converted into sugar, hence its attraction.

For another change I use varying amounts of sugar with the biscuit and egg, as I find that some birds have a sweeter "tooth" than others. On this point I may say that in some cases we give our egg food too dry. When this is so an extra effort is required on the part of the hen to regurgitate the food, and this in itself is exhausting. Couple this extra effort with poor tone in health and we have a very common cause of non-feeding.

Finally, I would say that I am a firm believer in the process of eliminating the non-feeder, even at the expense of sacrificing exhibition points, and that the real remedy lies here. But even when this has apparently been accomplished, by the laws of nature there will bound to be cases of "throwing back," and these can only be met by a careful study of each bird's peculiarities and likes and dislikes and, further, by the principle of giving "little and often" when feeding.

THE VALUE OF "PUSH."

A few words on the art of easily and profitably disposing of good-class surplus stock.

By
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(Cardiff).

MANY beginners are worried over the important matter of surplus stock, and to such an extent that I have known a few ultimately "retire"—to put it nicely—from the Fancy, on account of it. We all envy the fancier whose position in life precludes him from worrying whether his hobby is remunerative or otherwise. Against the few fanciers of this description, there are thousands of others who, like myself, entered the Fancy with the main idea of whiling away time in a charming and interesting manner, and as a relief from the monotony sometimes experienced in the daily task for bread. So long as no financial loss was experienced, the result was viewed as eminently satisfactory, although I do not deny that a balance on the rosy side made matters ever so much better.

If the recreative side of the Fancy is always maintained first and foremost, and mere profit not allowed to dominate you as a breeder and exhibitor, all very well; but if you are progressing with the breed and not finishing up each year on the right side financially, then I venture to say there is a screw loose somewhere. In spite of a good deal of pessimistic drivel knocking about concerning the Fancy, and all who are in it going to the dogs, I can assure you that I have never known a more brisk enquiry for stock and show birds, though both have steadily advanced in value. I am optimistic enough to say that this is the experience of very many breeders during the past few seasons, even though some will not admit it to be so. Why there should be any "dog in the manger" feeling I never could understand, for, after all, no breeder, no matter how extensive his operations, can be soft enough to hope that he alone can fix up all possible buyers.

Now the novice of only one or two years' standing, and with some real good stock, is in a bit of a fix when it comes to endeavouring to realise his surplus at market value.

Apart from the local fanciers, he is practically unheard of. These local men generally secure, at very low prices, the pick of the room, and for the remainder he has to find other outlets far from satisfactory, from a cash point of view, which the novice ultimately realises, for sooner or later someone who has been requiring a change of blood shows him a pair secured in another direction at about £3 the pair, which he, even with his inexperience, realises are no better (at least in face value) than many pairs he has bred and with difficulty disposed of at about 10s. per pair.

In the case of some few fanciers I have met with, of two, three and four years' experience, this trouble concerning the disposal of their surplus birds is, I must candidly say, in a very large measure quite their own fault. I appreciate the fact that it is all very well to review one's experience after a number of years, and assume a wise attitude, but even if I really did very little better in my novice days than many are doing, that is no reason why I should not give others my views, in the hope of their doing much better.

His Only Grumble.

It is no good saying you don't recognise the type of novice who is troubled with just this one fly in his box of ointment—i.e., disposal of surplus stock—for there is not a cage-bird society of twenty members or more in existence which does not number him amongst them. Generally, he is what I call of the lovable type; as harmless as they make 'em. Beyond his little grumble about the surplus stock he has not a bad word to say about anyone or anything. When the annual show comes round he is elected as the one and only suitable member to canvass for a few specials and advertisements, and as a little overweight he is persuaded to sit up each night of the show, in case a stray cat should look in and want to sample some of the blue-blooded winners!

Now all that is the matter with our lovable pal is that he is too shortsighted to inwardly mark, learn and digest the good advice screwed on the office door which he opens regularly each morning—"Push!" For that is all that is needed when it comes to disposing of your surplus stock. Don't confuse this little work with "cheek" or "telling fairy tales," or tarradiddles, as the young ladies would say; but if I am in the position to declare (as I am) that good buyers are itching to spend good money for Plainheads, and good breeders have just the stock to suit, and the one cannot hear tell of t'other, then something wants seeing to.

Let us get down to bedrock! I detest talking about myself, but seeing that I don't handle anyone else's banking account, and don't get their enquiries for stock, I must of necessity push my own affairs forward a little bit. Since January 1st last [This article, it should be stated, was written some months ago.—Editor, "C.B."] I have declined enquiries for Plainhead stock to at least the value of £30. Prices at £1 for single birds, up to £5 or £6 per pair, have been indicated, and the enquirers in a number of instances have concluded their letters by asking the name of a reliable breeder who would be likely to be in a position to supply them should I not be able to do so.

What annoys me is not the fact of having to refuse good money, but the realisation that there are sellers of good stock in abundance, whom my enquirers have great difficulty in locating. Whose fault is it? Why, that of the lovable chap, who pushes the door and not himself!

Open your CAGE BIRDS as I do nearly every Friday evening, and look with me through the "Plainhead" advertisements. Here we are: "Mr. — now offers his surplus stock, cheap to clear: 24, Blind Alley, Shortsighted Avenue, Timbuctoo." I expect you will say as I do: "Dear me! Who would have thought it! Fancy spending sixpence to tell us that!"

On we go. Here's another: "Mr. — has had a capital season, surplus birds number —, cheap to clear; all approval." This is more interesting, is it not? Yes; and if you bear in mind, as I do, and hundreds of other readers, that the number of surplus birds has been the same for the past eight weeks, you will say, "Well, if this breeder is not selling his surplus any quicker than that . . ." and so on. (To be Continued.)

MY BIRD PETS.

By Mrs. E. M. SARGEANT (Worcester).

An intensely interesting medley of happenings in the bird-rooms of a most enthusiastic lady bird-lover.

I THOUGHT it might interest your readers to hear a little more about some of my birds. I have lost my two old Cuckoos, one a twelvemonth old, and one a little over two years old. The latter was as much like the Cuckoo that I had for five years as could be, throwing his "kisses" to me and sitting on my finger, where, by the way, he died just as quietly as did the old one. He was not through the moult, but was somewhat better in plumage, though not so plump as the old one. He was often admired.

I did not mean to have any more of these birds; one misses them so when the inevitable happens; but a country lad brought me two beautiful specimens last June, and somehow I could not say no. I asked him what nests he took them from, and he said one looked like a Hedge Sparrow's nest, built in a gooseberry tree, and that a Flycatcher was feeding one, but he could never see what fed the other bird. Certainly most of my Cuckoos have been brought from Hedge Sparrows' nests, but one was from a Wag-tails, if not two.

Eight Years Old and Still Laying.

My hen Skylark has been to nest four times, paired to one of the two brought me last year, and which she finished rearing. She had two fertile eggs, but failed to rear the young. She has had one lot of three eggs, and three of two. The last lot were clear, so I let her sit till she was tired. She is now eight years old.

I have been making some inquiries of the young man who brought me the little Skylarks last year, and others who work in the farm fields, and I find that five eggs is the usual number for a Skylark, sometimes six; but often only three or four young out of them.

Of course, I have been trying for one of your prizes with Chaffinch and Canary, Goldfinch Mule and Greenfinch Mule, etc.; plenty of nests and plenty of eggs, but no young.

Then my cock Thrush, "Baby" (eight years old) has had a chance with my hen Missel Thrush. But she ate up her eggs, the same as she did last year; and also some of the silly little hen Canaries who would go into the same room to build! "Baby"

was that angry with her when she would not sit on the nest she made with yards of lace and tape and wadding, that I thought he would kill her. She is so tame that she will eat from my hand, and let me stroke her; he also will eat from my hand or mouth, but will not be stroked.

I have a good few young Canaries, but the Bullfinches' eggs have all been clear. They paired with Greenfinches. A hen Twite that was brought me in the winter built and laid four eggs, and sat, but they were clear. The prettiest little nest of all was built by a Redpoll in the tree. Master Redpoll is rather exacting, and scolds and fusses if she only gets off to stretch her wings a moment.

You will remember I told you I had a cock Blackbird, three years old, who had sent a hen to nest. The hen died, and the cock got away; in fact, a little girl pushed the door open and let him out of the outside shelter. He has been about with a hen which used to come down the garden to him when he was in captivity. I and my neighbours have put them out food and water. The hen built in the hedge at the bottom of a garden three doors away and had five young. These were taken. I was soon told, also, that they were in a cage, and the hen and cock both feeding them. It was too bad to take them all.

Insulting the Enemy.

The cock Blackbird comes most days jabbering to his old enemy, that is, my other Blackbird, who sings so beautifully in his cage out of doors. He is, like the Skylark and Thrush, eight years old. The little Hedge Sparrow that escaped over four years ago, and has always come to call when I feed the chickens, either broke his leg against the telegraph wires or was hurt by a stone, as a neighbour found it and brought it to me dead. We all knew it, and looked for it day by day. I had had it twelve months in a cage. It may have been a year or two old then. So it would be seven or eight years when it died. The "little mother" (my hen Chaffinch) I have had for eight years, and I don't know how old she was when I had her, but she reared up a Thrush that same year (that is how she got

bird; it helps to give that polish (or sheen) which is always admired on the plumage. I would give it as my humble opinion that if linseed oil was given with discrimination to all birds, there would not be so many deaths in our bird-rooms.

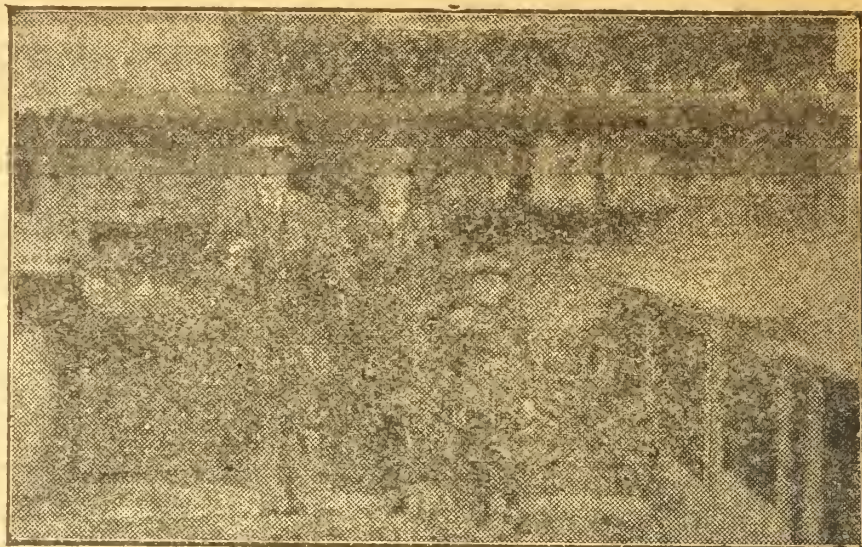
Leaving the 'Gale, I will go on to my next love—the Blackcap. Many's the beauty I have had, and many's the Sunday I have taken my pipe and gone to my birdroom in my garden and absolutely lost myself, as it were, among my Blackcaps, and my Blackbirds. I was often taken back to my boyhood days in the country. This is where true enjoyment is derived, for if you are country born the birds will take you miles in imagination.

A Hardy Little Chap.

The Blackcap is a very hardy little chap. Give the same stock food as you do your 'Gale, with a plentiful supply of ripe fruit, such as bananas and grapes, also some household currants thoroughly soaked in sugar or treacle water, not forgetting a good Turkish fig broken open (a fine thing, by the way, for any bird at any time) likewise the linseed oil, as advised for the 'Gale. The stock cage above mentioned is a nice roomy one for the Blackcaps. In this I endeavour to fix as perches, cuttings from an elderberry bush, as the bird likes to dodge between the twigs as a playful pastime.

In a show Blackcap I like to see the black cap running well down the nape of the neck, as in the typical show Bullfinch. The body colour should be a clear greyish-drab, and the bird should be sound in every feather. Confidence between the bird and oneself is easily established, and steadiness will add greatly to one's chances on the show bench, and with careful handling a Blackcap can be trained to stand at attention, as it were, while undergoing the most critical inspection.

I use for the cage bottoms of my softbills (in lieu of sand) the finely broken-up peat litter now in general use. I hang a tin of sand inside the cage frequently. Regular spraying repays any softbill fancier, and gives him a fair chance against advanced competitors on the show bench, providing, of course, that he has a bird somewhere within the range of an ideal specimen. I would impress upon the mind of the beginner with softbills the great need of cleanliness.



This photo shows a few of the young Yorkshire Canaries I bred this year. I had very good luck; bred 57 young ones from 3 cocks and 7 hens, and up to now have not lost a single chick. I gave them mixed seed and egg and biscuit, and as much groundsel as they would eat up to the time they were on hard seed, then I gave a little bread and milk twice weekly for a few weeks.—James Jefferies (St. George's, Bristol).

her name). She struts about with a Brown Linnet year after year, but never goes to nest.

What is the Explanation?

Whether any birds have consciences, or reasoning powers, I really don't know; but this year I have noticed a very curious thing again and again. Some of my Canaries go to nest in a downstairs room, and some in an upstairs room (very few in cages). I let out one cock bird when his hen had got her clutch of eggs, and he flew to the upstairs room and soon commenced to drive to nest another hen there. This he has repeated during the season. He never went near the downstairs hen while sitting, but as sure as the fourteenth day was up, he was down with food for her. If I had forgotten the date, he had not. And I am quite sure they have a code of honour amongst themselves; no one who saw them as I did could doubt it. If another cock bird tried to interfere

with the hen which was going to nest, she called out to the cock bird she was paired to, and he came up from downstairs, or down from upstairs, as the case might be, and they both hunted out the offending bird, however he might mix up with the others, and punished him!

I think I must end by telling you I have got an Owl! Willie Paller, at the Nurseries, caught, kept it a month or two, and then begged me to have it! I have it in a little aviary out of doors. "Master Jimmy" has got very tame, and comes on my head or shoulder. But sometimes in the night two or three other Owls come into the garden. I was called up the first time and told that "Jimmy" had got loose. There in the tree close to the aviary was another "Jimmy"! They don't half make a noise! Poor "Jimmy" is threatened with all sorts of dire penalties; I can see now why he wasn't wanted at the Nurseries!

The Stock Birds to Breed Winning Yorkshires.

By
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(Mountain Ash).

Hints on their selection from a well-known Welsh fancier and judge.

TO get to business, I will attempt to describe what I consider a pair of birds capable of producing youngsters which with careful handling and proper staging should hold their own in present-day competition. I would select as the cock a bird ticked or lightly marked (not necessarily evenly-marked), and a yellow, not less than 7in. in length. If 7½ins. so much the better, providing he is of the right shape and position, that is, what is usually termed straight (level) from the crown of the head to the tip of the tail.

The head should be somewhat small and with a slightly flat appearance at the crown, the neck should be long, shoulders moderately broad, but in no wise prominent, and back well filled and level throughout. The wings should be long and well braced, meeting at the tips but not overlapping. The waist should be long and slender and the body tapering to the tail, which should be long and compact in form. The legs should be long and inclining to be straight, but not so straight as to give the bird a stilty appearance. The thighs should be well shown, and be well packed with close short feather—in fact, the feather under the throat, down the breast, between and around the thighs, right to the tail, should be as short and close as possible.

The Difficulty in Chief.

Considering the size of the proposed cock bird, probably this latter point is where the most difficulty would be experienced in its selection. But in the selection of a hen, this fault of loose, or too long, feather, which so often crops up in the cock bird may fairly easily be remedied.

Having obtained a cock bird rather over the acknowledged standard length (with the object of keeping up the size of the progeny) I would now select a clear buff hen of medium size, as brimful of quality of feather as possible. As a rule I find that providing you get size, shape and contour from the cock bird, quality, and that graceful appearance which puts the finishing touch on an exhibition Yorkshire, are to be looked for in the progeny as coming from the hen.

For length in the hen I would get as near

as possible to (but not under) 6½in., with head proportionately small and as round as possible. The hen should have the appearance of being chiselled out of marble—tight and close in plumage. Her neck should be long, straight, and thin (though well filled in and free from any sign of being pinched), shoulders narrow and well rounded, back inclined to be a little flat, but level throughout, wings long and exceptionally well braced, without the least sign of overlapping. The body should be thin, especially the hind part, which should be well drawn out, and balanced on a good pair of long legs. The thighs should be long and conspicuous, without the least sign of loose feather.

Special attention should be paid to the quality of feather in the hen; it should be short, close, and of a silky appearance, without the least trace of frill, or scantiness of feather. The attitude of both cock and hen should be upright and commanding, yet easy and graceful.

Items to be Avoided.

A few points to be avoided are large beak, flat head, overhanging eye-brows, square, broad, or projecting shoulders, pinched neck, hollow back, short sides, broad or short waist, short thighs and body. Birds with any tendency to stoop, or hug the perch, should be avoided, as well as long, coarse, or open feathered ones. But above all the selection must be guided to a very great extent by the owner's knowledge of the pedigree of the stock from which the selected birds have come. Like can only be expected to produce like (or, rather, a happy medium between the two selected stock birds) proportionately with the care bestowed on the breeding of the strain from which the selected stock birds have sprung.

From the pair of birds I have attempted to describe and mate, yellow marked cock and clear buff hen, I should expect to produce a fair percentage of clears, both yellows and buffs, as well as a few ticked and unevenly-marked birds, with, as an off-chance, a possible even-mark, and with a few birds amongst them which would allow me to exhibit with a reasonable amount of success at shows within a moderate distance of my home.

TWO SWEET SONGSTERS: THE NIGHTINGALE AND BLACKCAP.

SOME REMARKS ON THEIR SELECTION AND MANAGEMENT.

By H. J. HAWES.

I HAVE kept a varied "nest" in my time: Woodpeckers, Nuthatches, Woodlarks, Wheatears, Redstarts, and my great favourites—Nightingales and Blackcaps. In fact, I really think most soft and hard-bills have found a place in my bird-room from time to time, and also a place in my heart.

Among the softbills I give place of honour to the 'Gale. He has a fine stately appearance, carrying himself on his dignity, as it were. He will not cringe, but looks you straight in the face with a pair of bold, black eyes, set in a noble head.

I fed my 'Gale upon a mixture of crushed biscuits, dried flies, silkworm cocoons, and ants' eggs, with wasp grub occasionally, also now and again putting an apple through my grinding mill and mixing some amongst the stock food. He had gentles and mealworms, too. Of the latter he got most during the winter months, when I could not take my tin box out with me cycling, and cut snips of hazel and other things to which greenflies and other flies cling in abundance.

Mind His Tail.

The cage I use for stock is one measuring 24 inches by 13 inches by 11 inches. He never reaches this cage though, until he has been in my meating-off cage, and is absolutely steady, for once his tail is broken the beauty of our 'Gale is completely spoiled from a show point of view.

It is beneficial to any bird to mix some common brown (crystal) sugar with the drinking water once a week; also to give a few drops of clarified linseed oil in the food of softbills once a week. The latter is one of the "secrets" given me by a very clever aviculturist; my promise not to reveal them ended with that cute fancier's regretted death. The oil is not only relaxing to the

Two Popular Seed-eaters: The Chaffinch and the Greenfinch.

By
E. A. BISH
(Worthing).

THE gay Chaffinch is fairly common throughout the British Isles. He is a resident, and may be seen almost anywhere in the hedgerows. It is an easy matter to recognise the bird, as the sharp call-note, "Pink-pink," gives him away directly.

The cock Chaffinch is very brightly plumaged, with a good variety of colours. The hen has none of the bright colours of her mate. In a wild state they feed upon various wild seeds, with insects in the spring and summer months. The "nuts" (mast) of the beech tree are greatly relished by them, and flocks will be found feeding daily under the beech trees.

The nest is one of the most beautiful of our British birds' homes, and is usually placed close up against the trunk of a tree. The eggs number from four to six, and are of a pale bluish-green colour, streaked with purplish-brown markings.

Young Chaffinches can be easily hand-reared, but it is doubtful if it is worth the trouble, as after the autumn moult is over a good bird may be got off the catcher for a trifling sum. The cock Chaffinch has a very pretty little song, but it is apt to become monotonous in a cage indoors.

Chaffinches should be moulted outdoors, but as the spring advances you must separate them from others of their sex and species, as they are very pugnacious in the breeding season, and the cock especially will at once attack another of his own kind.

A Long-Lived Bird.

The species is not a very difficult one to cater for, and will live quite a long time in a cage. The following is a good stock mixture: Canary seed 2 parts, teazle 1 part, rape 1 part, linseed 1 part, hemp 1/2 part. Give about a teaspoonful of cracked sunflower seeds three or four times a week, and in addition to this a few mealworms, with a little green food now and then. Provide a bath daily, and, of course, clean water for drinking purposes.

The cage should be about 16 to 18 inches in length, 12 to 14 inches high, and 10 inches from back to front. This will give your bird a fair amount of exercise.

A Chaffinch for show purposes should be large; a small bird would not stand a chance; and it should have a good, prominent chest. The chief colours of a show Chaffinch should be as follows: Blue cap, rich and deep pink breast, white shoulder and wing bars, chocolate coloured back, nice green rump, and a tail with white edging to the outside feathers. The bird should be in a tight, sleek condition of plumage, and this will give him a great chance on the show

bench. A Chaffinch should not be shown unless perfectly steady; this is a most important point.

The inside of a Chaffinch show cage should be enamelled a dark holly-green (this colour, in my opinion, shows the bird up splendidly) and the outside should be black.

The Chaffinch has not, so far, made great advance in the hobby of Hybrid breeding, the only recognised crosses being those between the Chaffinch and Bramblefinch and the Greenfinch and Chaffinch. But in time the Chaffinch will become, I think, as popular a bird as any in the breeding of British Hybrids.

The Greenfinch, or, as he is so often called, the Green Linnet, is about the commonest of our British Finches. This species roams the country in flocks of various sizes during the autumn, feeding on the wild seeds; very gregarious, they are very fond of each other's company. They are destructive in the autumn to the wheat, and in the spring do a lot of damage to newly-sown seeds.

The Home and Its Site.

The nest of the Greenfinch is composed of twigs, moss, dried grass, fine roots, and sometimes hair and feathers. They are prolific birds, and will sometimes rear three or four broods a season. The site chosen is generally the hedgerow, or a whitethorn tree. The hen is a good sitter, and will not stir unless compelled to do so.

The eggs, usually four or five in number, are a pale greenish-white with a few reddish-brown markings—similar, in fact, to those of the Linnet.

Young Greenfinches can be easily hand-reared. They should be taken when about ten days' old, and can be brought up successfully on the following: Hard boiled egg and biscuit crumbled together, adding a little soaked rape seed and a little bread. Mix well together, and feed every two hours.

Greenfinches will breed successfully in an aviary, and they are often used for Hybrid breeding. Quite a number of pretty Hybrids have been produced with a Greenfinch parent; Greenf.-Canary, Greenf.-Chaffinch, Greenf.-Ballfinch, Greenf.-Redpoll, Greenf.-Goldfinch, Greenf.-Siskin, etc.

In feeding, the following seeds will do well for a stock mixture: 3 parts Canary, 1 part German (summer) rape, 1 part English rape, and a little teazle. As tit-bits, hemp, sunflower, safflower, thistle, dandelion, plain-tain, groundsel, chickweed, hips and haws and charlock; one or the other several times a week.

The yellow, or jonque Greenie, is the one to choose for exhibition purposes, and must be large, of a vivid green colour all through, showing plenty of yellow in wings and tail, while the rump and under-body should be a rich yellowish-green. The head should be broad, neck thick, and the body shaped after the Norwich Canary style. The Buff Greenies are much sought after by Mule and Hybrid breeders, as they are generally the largest. Some hen Greenies are also very valuable for breeding purposes, as they will hatch and rear their own broods, which is a great advantage, one not found in most British hens of other species.

A Non-Believer in Colour Food.

Some fanciers colour-feed their Greenfinches, but personally I do not care about colour-feeding British birds for exhibition at all; it very often is the means of spoiling a good bird.

The Greenfinch has not much music, but in the spring has a pretty little song of his own, and in a cage I consider his notes are sweet.

When moulting a Greenfinch, see that he has plenty of fresh air, water for bathing, and wild seeds. Give him linseed and sunflower seeds freely, as they are very helpful to put on the nice gloss which every bird-lover likes to see.

Plain, but Useful.

The sexes are not difficult to distinguish, as the hen lacks the bright green colour of her mate. But hens are now almost as valuable as cocks, chiefly for Mule or Hybrid breeding, though at some of the larger shows, where classes are provided for hens, a good big tight-plumaged hen Greenie stands a great chance.

The show cage can be enamelled either cream or a light greyish-blue, or a faint pink tint, as all these colours show a Greenfinch up nicely. In conclusion, let me say that if any fancier is in doubt about which Finch to start bird-keeping with, I can thoroughly recommend the Greenie; for a beginner, of all our British Finches none will afford him more pleasure than the little common Greenfinch.

Correspondence.

The Standard Colour of Norwich Show Cages.

SIR,—I shall feel obliged if any reader of CAGE BIRDS will inform me, through its columns, which are the particular shades of colours, and the exact proportions, that should be mixed to obtain the standard tint of colour used for the inside of the Norwich show cage? NOVICE.

A Suggested Economy for Exhibitors.

SIR,—Regarding cutting the expenses down at such a period as we are now passing through, how would it be to suggest through CAGE BIRDS that exhibitors should use sawdust in show cage bottoms in preference to sand, especially as the latter is going up in price? It would certainly be as clean to the birds' feet. Would be glad to hear of further suggestions on this matter. F. STOTHARD.

A Cage Bird Society Started at Blaenavon.

SIR,—A meeting of cage bird fanciers was held at Blaenavon on Dec. 10 to consider the advisability of forming a society. Mr. G. Broome, late sec. of Abertillery C.B.S., was in the chair. It was carried that we have a society at Blaenavon, there being about 20 fanciers wishing to become members, though all could not attend this meeting. Officers elected: Chairman, Mr. M. Butt; vice, Mr. C. Broome; treasurer, D. Morris; secretary, G. T. Jones, 13, Broad Street, Blaenavon. All desiring to become members should kindly attend the next meeting at 13, Broad Street on Dec. 19, at 8.30 sharp, and drop a line to me. G. T. JONES (Sec.).

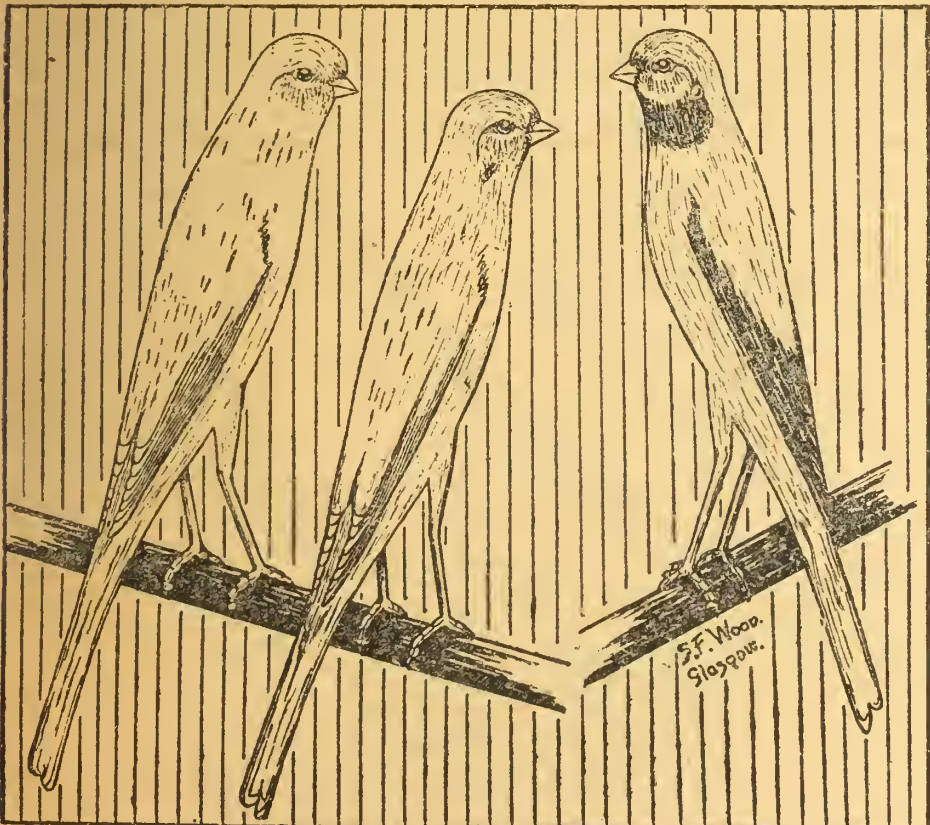
Pushing Along His Favourite Canary.

SIR,—Surely no society could hope to possess a more genial and kindly dispositioned gentleman and fancier than does the Shettleston and Dist. C.B.S. in its Honorary President, Baillie Wm. Robertson, of Troon. He is all energy for assisting in the revival of his favourite Scotch Fancy Canary, and I believe and hope he will succeed in his efforts. He has given big prices for the right material, and has now promised (what pure sportsmanship and large heartedness) to give a few pairs of his stock amongst members of the above club for the sake of seeing his Fancy progress. My earnest wish is, that he may be spared to see the rich fruits of his efforts abundantly harvested. R. H. L.

The Blackbird that Knew Better.

SIR,—Mr. J. Goodall, of Watford, tells me that a lady came into his shop and purchased a healthy-looking hen Blackbird, which she thought ought not to be caged. She took her cage and purchase home, and placed the cage with open door in her grounds so as to set free the unfortunate (?) prisoner. Much to her consternation the occupant refused to quit, and after being "hustled" out, walked about and examined the immediate neighbourhood, finally discontinuing its digging operations to return to the cage. This went on for several days, the bird refusing to desert the food supply to which it had become accustomed. Finally, in disgust, its new owner brought Mrs. Blackbird back to Johnny Goodall's Emporium, in which she still remains! ALLEN SILVER.

Correspondence continued on next page.



WINNING YORKSHIRES AT THE GLASGOW C.B.A. SHOW.

CLEAR YELLOW COCK.
1st for Mr. A. Hirst (Accrington).

CLEAR BUFF HEN.
1st for Mr. T. McCready (Stranraer).

VARIEGATED YELL. HEN.
1st for Mr. P. Mason (Windhill).

Are Scots Fancy Exhibitors Overstepping the Mark?

A Well-known Fancier Alleges Widespread Faking and Speaks of Exhibitors Banding Together to Bring the Culprits to Book.

SIR,—At Paisley Show a very important incident took place, fraught with much interest to Scots Fancy exhibitors, viz., the disqualification of some of the exhibits that were faked, while a number of the birds that were well forward in the prize-list ought to have kept them company. However, the judges have now made a start in the right direction, which I hope they continue in. It will stand to their credit and be for the benefit of our hobby. This faking has been going on for a considerable time, and like a canker which has not been checked, is increasing in virulence because the Scots Fanciers are far too easy-going to trouble themselves and make a stand against it. The question I would like to ask is: Are those who have the purity and welfare of the Fancy at heart to be hoodwinked and tricked by a few unscrupulous exhibitors whose moral senses are so dulled that they glory in their handiwork? From the conversation of many fanciers at Paisley show, I will be very much surprised if this faking is allowed to continue without its just reward, and I warn the fakers here and now that a number of prominent and well-known fanciers are banded together to see to it that their day of deceit is past. Most show schedules have a rule to the effect that the judges will be instructed to disqualify all birds that in their opinion have been tampered with; am afraid this rule has been a dead letter for a long time. It lies with managers and committees of societies to see that this rule is enforced, and pointed out to judges before they begin

their duties on the morning of the show. I think the judges too apathetic. And who are to blame? The exhibitors themselves who stand idly by in groups and talk about it; and it all ends in "talk."

Let fraud and wrong and baseness shiver,
For still betwixt them and the sky
The Falcon truth hangs poised forever,
And marks them with a vengeful eye.
So Fakers, beware! W. McCLURE.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(Continued from previous page.)

The Catcher Caught.

SIR,—Let me warn catchers not to leave their net and call birds, as I have nearly lost a fine Goldfinch by a Hawk pouncing on the call-cage. But I happened to be at the end of the pull line, and instead of the Hawk catching the Goldie, I caught the Hawk, which is a fine specimen. The weasel and stoat are also enemies of the catcher. I have been a reader of CAGE BIRDS five years now.

G. CHRISTIAN.

Is Face Value Better Than Pedigree?

SIR,—I read with interest the remarks in last week's CAGE BIRDS about the Yorkshires exhibited by Miss Q. Bowyer at the recent Horticultural Hall show, and by a curious coincidence I happened to be looking through some back numbers of Fancy papers this evening, and came across a short article by Mr. R. L. Crisp giving his views at that time (March, 1905) on the Yorkshire Canary. He there says:—

"I think that really good hens make the royal road to success in Canary breeding. . . Small to medium sized hens I like the best, and the nearer perfection the better, but in any case good in position with tight and good quality of feather—the small ones to pair with large cocks and the larger ones to pair with cocks about the size of show specimens."

Comparing these remarks with those on Miss Bowyer's birds, may it not be due to the hen as much as to the cock with the high pedigree that this lady was able to breed such good youngsters?

H. C. BROOKS.

What Birds Are These?

SIR,—I have seen in Mr. Norman's "Gen Portrait Gallery of British Birds" a Reed Bunting, and I have had many of the same. You said last week you thought these were the birds I wrote of. Well, sir, the birds are a good deal different to the Reed Bunting in Mr. Norman's picture. They are not quite as large as the common House Sparrow, but the cock and hen represent the cock Sparrow in build and colour, bar the head, which is of a bright velvet bronze. I have two alive at the time of writing. I got them the day after I wrote the last letter, and they are living grand. I have let several fanciers in the district see them, and not one of them knows what they are. They have all seen the Reed Bunting, but they cannot agree that these are Buntings, and in my opinion they are foreign birds. I will let any one see them who likes to call at 125, Back High St., Gosforth, Northumberland.

E. BROWN.

[The Reed Bunting in Mr. Norman's Coloured Plate represents the cock bird when in breeding (summer) plumage; in winter plumage it looks very different. From the above letter, however, we have no hesitation in saying that our correspondent's birds are Tree Sparrows (*Passer montanus*). They are much less common than the House Sparrow (though by no means rare) and often puzzle people to identify.—Editor.]

Bread and Milk in the Rearing of Canaries.

SIR,—As one who has kept birds (both Canaries and British) from a boy, you may imagine that I have had my ups and downs. When in my teens I started with Canaries, only songster Canaries, of no particular breed. The seed I gave them (the secret was given me by a "knowing one") to feed on was black and white seed, i.e. canary and rape (the latter winter rape). I can assure you they did well on it. The hen built a nest in a small wooden box, and hatched four out of five eggs. The question was, how could I raise the young? Would "black and white" be sufficient? The problem was solved by a lady who saw the birds, and suggested that the best way to feed the babies, as she called them, was on scalded milk and bread with a little sugar added. I did so, and I am able to say that the four were raised and became strong, healthy birds. That simple idea left a great impression on me, and I have often followed the "tip." Many a nest have I raised by the bread and milk diet, which I now make as follows:—Crumble a little stale bread with some new milk and then boil with a pinch of salt. Squeeze out with a fork, or spoon, most of the moisture, and add a little coarse sugar. Then sprinkle over the lot a little maw seed. The birds will eat this and will thrive well on it. But in the hot weather this food should be made night and morning, so it is quite fresh. The vessels should also be well washed out after each meal. With this food, and the young tender leaves of the dandelion, young Canaries can be successfully raised, strong and healthy, without the addition of egg. Great care, of course, should be exercised to see that the red mite is not in the nest. This pest is one of the chief drawbacks to beginners. The

nest should be well sprinkled with insect powder as soon as the hen sits, and again just before she hatches; and when the young are about ten days old remove them into a clean nest. With this simple treatment good results will follow.

OLD BREEDER.

A National Show to be Held in Wales.

SIR,—I much appreciate your very kind offer to help on the first Welsh National show, and I assure you that all Welsh fanciers look to good old CAGE BIRDS to give them a helping hand. The show will be held on the Palace show dates, Feb. 5, 6, and 8, in the magnificent Banqueting Hall at the Carlton Hotel, Cardiff. The hall is 125ft. by 35ft. by 45ft., and I question when a bird show has ever been held in more beautiful surroundings. The handsome oak carving on the familiar walls, the great coloured-glass windows on three sides of the room, the whole surmounted by a big glass dome, makes it an ideal hall for a National show. Mr. Will Sampson, the old "war horse," will manage the show, and I think we shall be able to get the Lord Mayor at the opening ceremony. As soon as we have fixed up the schedule our secretary will forward you full particulars. I would like to mention that the Welsh National have no thought whatever of appropriating the Palace Show dates at any future shows, and have only decided upon these dates for this show out of pure sentiment.

E. J. BANKS.

[We feel sure that when the time comes round fanciers will give their heartiest support to this plucky and desirable venture of the Welshmen.—Editor.]

A Soldier Fancier at the Front.

SIR,—I enclose a letter received from Trooper Walters, of the 12th Lancers, who is serving with the British Expeditionary Forces. Previous to rejoining the Colours, Trooper Walters, who was a reservist, was in business as a fanciers' provider at 131, High Street, Longton, Staffs, and in his absence his wife is "keeping the flag flying," on behalf of herself and child, until his return. The letter will no doubt be read with interest by readers of CAGE BIRDS.

J. PITCHFORD.

Nov. 26th, 1914.

Dear Sir,—I now take the pleasure of writing a few lines to you, hoping it will find you and family enjoying very good health, as I am quite well myself. I trust everything is going on satisfactorily. I have heard some very fine songsters in Belgium, and I have found always the same complaint at almost every home I have gone into—the father absent, and the poor pets ill fed and watered, and I have attended to them in every case when I had time. I found in one house over 100 Canaries. It appeared a German had lived there and fled before we came. I heard these birds singing. I was on patrol, and so I had a chance to look after them. Well I emptied all the seed I could see out, and put plenty of water, and then I thought how I would have liked them in my shop, they were a nice lot, and it was a real treat to hear them after being away from home some time. I hope I can only help some more of the pets of our Fancy before I come home.

TROOPER WALTERS.

When is a Novice Not a Novice?

SIR,—I am very pleased to see this subject brought forward in your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, because I feel that it is one which needs an "airing," for there must be many fanciers whose experience is similar to mine. In February of last year, falling in love with the Fancy, I wrote to a well-known breeder of Crests and Crest-breeds for information, etc., stating the length of my purse, and received the candid advice that being a beginner it would give more satisfaction to commence with a more easily managed and less expensive variety. Acting on that advice I started as a Border fancier, and with a little care and attention, blessed with good fortune, I have in two seasons obtained the required three firsts in members' classes, and now find myself a "full-blown Border champion." Now, I have a great regard for Crests and Crest-breeds, and should very much like to make a venture with my first love; but what chance do you think, sir, I should stand, with no experience of the variety, against the crack champion Crest fanciers? I think that this is one of the answers to the question so often asked as to why more fanciers do not take up the select and difficult varieties. If the rules of the various specialist clubs allowed fanciers to pass through the novice stages in each variety, many who, like myself, have advanced too quickly would no doubt try to gain the experience which would enable them to compete with the various leaders with some slight chance of success.

NOVICE CHAMPION.

Novice Exhibitors and the L. and P.O.S. and Clapham Shows.

SIR,—Competition at these shows was limited, and not open in the legal sense of the word. It was announced in your columns that wins at the L. and P.O.S. Show would not affect the status of a novice, and at future L. and P.O.S. and Palace Shows wins by novices at the above shows will be ignored.

J. W. RAMSDEN.

Special Prizes at Falkirk Good Intent Show.

SIR,—I crave a small space to air a grievance which I heard discussed at the show of the Falkirk Good Intent C.B.A. last Saturday. There were twelve classes for Norwich, and these had eleven specials allocated to them, while the British birds with ten classes had but two, and these for fourth birds. May I ask those in authority if this was doing justice to the British bird exhibitor? especially as there was a cup for most points with four nominated birds, specials to count.

INTERESTED.

The Scots Fancy Canary to be Revived.

SIR,—Many people were inclined to think the Scots Fancy Canary was dead or, at least, dying; but new life has suddenly sprung up amongst the fanciers of the cult. A glimpse at the advt. columns of CAGE BIRDS will suffice to show that this is not mere talk, but reality. I may say, too (on good authority) that a smarter piece of business than the getting up of the Glasgow and Dist. Scots. Fancy Association would be difficult to imagine. Just imagine a society formed, office bearers fixed, judges and hall settled, and everything set in thorough working order for a show on Saturday, Jan. 2, in the space of little more than an hour's time. Good biz., eh? No one will doubt the truth of such a statement when one considers those who are at the head of the business: Mr. J. Brown (East Kilbride), President; Baillie W. Robertson, Vice-President; Mr. A. McLauchlan (Govan) Secretary. I understand the show is guaranteed against loss, so that we may expect a great revival of the Scots Fancy Canary.

R. H. LIVINGSTONE.

Early Yorkshire Canaries at the Palace Show.

SIR,—In your reply to Mr. J. Holroyd's letter, which was published last week, I omitted to refer to Mr. Moses Holroyd's exhibits, as mentioned by his near kinsman. I was more than pleased to be informed that my now old friend Moses was still with us, and was apparently interested in Mr. Bird's reference to the early Palace exhibits, etc. As mentioned in my previous letter, it was not until 1873 that even a single class was provided for the Yorkshires, as so named. The two following shows (1874 and 1875) were again given only one Yorkshire class, when Mr. Luke Belk, of Dewsbury, whom Mr. Moses Holroyd will well remember, took all the money prizes at both shows. The two following years were noted for the birds of Mr. J. H. Thackrey, who practically cleared the decks with his several exhibits, taking all the first prizes, excepting the one in 1877 gained by Messrs. Wilkinson and Holroyd. In 1878 the principal prizes were won by Messrs.

Holroyd, Wilkinson, Rawnsley and J. Clemison. Other interesting particulars could be given, which were collected by me some years ago. However, this addition will perhaps be sufficient for the purpose of answering Mr. J. Holroyd. In conclusion, I may add that so far as I have been able to gather, the three brothers Holroyd (Isaac, William, and Moses) appear to my mind, though perhaps not first in the field of Yorkshire Palace exhibitors, to have done most valuable spade-work in building up the Yorkshires as we see them to-day.

JONAS KNIGHT.

The Yorkshire Canary Club's Patronage at Edinburgh.

SIR,—The Palace show being cancelled, the patronage of the Y.C.C. has been accepted by the Scottish National show, where all specials will be in competition. The classification is good, and prize-money very liberal. I trust members will show their appreciation by making a good entry. And why not a visit to Edinburgh for a change? There will be no Palace show for you this time, so think it over, my friends.

JOHN GREAVES.

Sec. Y.C.C.

Another Open Show for Glasgow.

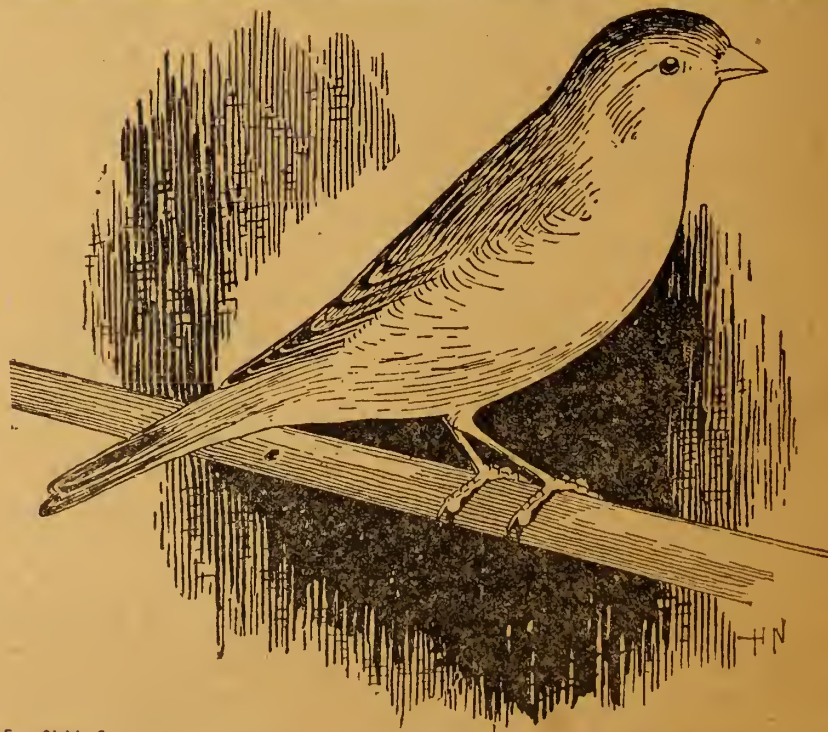
SIR,—Another open show will be held in Glasgow on January 22 and 23, under the auspices of the Scottish Plainhead Club, and possibly the Yorkshire Canary Club of Scotland. Owing to the fact that the Plainhead Club was unable to get confined classes at the Scottish National show this year for their young bird club show, the committee of the S.P.C. venture to run this show. They intend giving a very full classification for Norwich, both old and young, and should the Yorkshire club join them in running the show, a very full classification for Yorkshires will also be given. Since it has been decided to abandon the Palace show for this season, it is to be hoped that breeders of the varieties to be catered for will generously support the undertaking. Later on full details of the scheme will be advertised in the columns of this journal.

E. BARRON, Sec. Scottish P.C.

The Value of Lady Secretaries of Societies.**Splendid Work at Hastings.**

SIR,—Re the Hastings and St. Leonard's C.B.S., I hope you will find room in your valuable paper CAGE BIRDS, to which I look forward every Friday, to congratulate our society on the able way our hon. secretary, Miss Kirk-Bullock, and her mother carried through our late annual show. Although only a members' show Mr. Robson, the judge, told me personally that we had a splendid show and better competition than he had seen at a lot of open shows, and that we ought to be proud of having such a secretary. I told him that if any society was on the down grade the members had better try a lady secretary. But he said ours was one in a hundred (I should, however, still advise them to give it a trial). Through Miss Kirk-Bullock's efforts we are enabled to hand over to the Belgian Relief Fund £15, being the profits of our show, besides 18s. 6d. collected in boxes in the hall.

THOS. VENESS.



A fine Siskin-Canary Hybrid which won third prize in the Novice Section at the last Crystal Palace Show for Mr. W. Smith, of Chatham.

THE SHOWS.

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DUBLIN (S. County C.B.A.).

Third annual show Town Hall, Kingstown, Dec. 9 and 10, proceeds in aid of the National Relief Fund. The hall is one of the best for the purpose in Ireland, and both judges stated they never stood in a better one. The officers and committee, Messrs. Foster (hon. treas.), O'Reilly, O'Brien, Dwyer, Ward, Price, Waters, Beegan, Carroll, Sholedice, and Clery (vice-president) are a very hard-working lot, and everyone did his duty in a first-rate style. Mr. Smythe, the sec., worked very hard, and seemed always to be where he was wanted. On the day preceding the show the committee were thrown into despair by Mr. Wilcock telegraphing that owing to illness he could not attend, and Mr. Smyth wired Mr. Metcalf, who, in spite of such short notice, answered the call to the relief of all. The officers and committee desire to thank, through the medium of our paper, CAGE BIRDS, Mr. Metcalf for this act, which will never be forgotten in Kingstown. Entries far exceeded those of last year. Yorks. were well to the front, O'Reilly winning sp. best bird in the show with clear buff cock; this bird is the biggest winner in Yorkshires ever staged in Ireland, having captured about 20 firsts since it was first shown in 1910. It also won CAGE BIRDS special of 10s. at Bangor, and CAGE BIRDS diploma for best bird in show at Kingstown last year. Non-colour-feds were a grand lot, some very fine yellows being staged; some of them could have won in the open, especially Sholedice's buff hen, which stood a long fight for best bird in the show, and also Gillen's yellow cock. Sholedice captured all specials in this section. Novices were well up to the standard, Byrne capturing most points for specials. Crests and Norwich were good, but we would like to see more of them. Mules and Hybrids were a nice lot, British as usual came to the front. Confined classes were well filled, and some of the winners will be heard of next year in open sections. In the juvenile section, the boys, aged 16 and under, showed a keen anxiety for showing their British birds, and Mr. Ward, to whom all praise should be given, as their instructor, deserves great credit for the way the bids were staged. Mr. Metcalf, Liverpool, judged Canaries, and Mr. Wilson, Cumberland, Brit. and Mules; their awards were received with satisfaction.

YORKS. CL. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Gillen, good size and length, fine feather, nice style, even col., well up on legs; 2, Morgan, not so large, nice feather, well up on legs, crosses wings a little; 3, vhc, Keogh, good size, very stylish, good feather; hc, Keating; c, Lattimore. HEN (7): 1, Gillen, stylish, well up on legs, good feather and wing carr., good cond., all qual.; 2, Keating, very close up, good feather, long body, nice wing carr.; 3, Fleming, good head and neck, nice length, fine flights; vhc, Neville; hc, Hyland; c, Morgan. CL. BUFF CK. (8): 1, sp. best bird, O'Reilly, fine back and shoulders, good pos., splendid wing carr., good tail, very fine feather, a gem; 2, hc, Hyland, good size, fine feather, well up on legs, deserves its place; 3, Mills, good size, nice tail and feather, very good pos.; vhc, Keogh; c, Buckley. HEN (9): 1, Keogh, real beauty, good head and neck, fine flights, stands well; 2, c, Buckley, nice size and shape, long wings, good head and neck, fine cond.; 3, Hyland, nice shaped body, wings a hit crossed; vhc, Keating; hc, Morgan. TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, 2, Keogh, good size, nice wing carr., well up on legs, fine feather, nice size, good wing carr., head, and neck; 3, Holly, teaming with qual., very good size and shape, nice wing carr., only a little open on breast; vhc, Fleming; hc, Morgan; c, Keating. HEN (5): 1, Neville, mkd. eyes and back, long flights, good feather, fine tail, good pos., wins easily; 2, Fleming, mkd. head and eyes, real Yorkie, stands like a soldier, good feather and wings; 3, Keating, mkd. cheek and back, very stylish, good feather; vhc, Keogh; hc, Gillen. TKD. BUFF CK. (7): 1, Mills, tkd. on thigh, good size, very tight in feather, could be better shown; 2, Keogh, very nice one, well shown, nice wing carr. and shape; 3, Holly, real gem, good cond., long wings, well carried, good feather, well up on legs; vhc, Morgan; hc, Hyland; c, Neville. HEN (8): 1, Hyland, heavily varieg., nice style, tight in feather, good head, neck, and wings, nice even col.; 2, O'Reilly, cheek mkd., good wings and tail, stands upright, good head and neck; 3, Mills, good style, very straight, nice wing carr., fine feather; vhc, Kelly; hc, Keating; c, Buckley. NAT. COL. YELL. CK. (6): 1, Gillen, nice qual. feather, good head, neck, wings, and tail; 2, Lawrence, good feather, fine size, nice wing carr.; 3, vhc, Sholedice, good size, fine pos. HEN (6): 1, Hyland, nice size and shape, good feather, nice style; 2, Buckley, good head and tail, fine feather, crosses wings a little; 3, vhc, hc, c, Sholedice, very neat, good feather, a hit too small. BUFF CK. (9): 1, 2, vhc, c, Sholedice, nice team, leader wins with pos., nice feather and style, well up on legs, not stilty; 2nd, bit too large for show purposes, make a good stock bird, good feather, nice wings and tail; 3, Lawless, not so large as leader, nice compact feather, good wings and tail, nice head and neck, very good head; hc, Reilly. HEN (8): 1, hc, Sholedice, splendid Yorkie, shows its quality to perfection, feather like wax, good wings and tail; 2, Hyland, nice feather, good wings and tail, nice pos., well up on legs; 3, Gillen, very neat and compact, good cond. VAR. CK. (6): 1, 3, vhc, c, Sholedice, fine pos., very stylish, good wings and tail, fine feather; 3rd, good size, a bit short, well up on legs, fine pos., well shown; 2, hc, Beegan, good one, showed a hit hinged tail, good size, nice head and neck. HEN (7): 1, Buckley, stood up like a pole, nice wings and tail; 2, Williams, another nice one, runs close, very good feather and wings; 3, vhc, Sholedice. NOV. YELL. CK. (10): 1, Byrne, good size and shape, stands well, nice wings and tail; 2, Burtenshaw, long body, well made, long wings and tail; 3, Beegan, even col., good flights, stands well, fine feather; vhc, Jackson; hc, Duff; c, Price. HEN (13): 1, 2, Byrne, a real good couple for a novice, wins easily, leader fine pos., good wings, head, neck, and tail, very fine feather; 2nd, not quite so large, very stylish, shows well; 3, Hartford, stylish, long body and flights, nice tail, little unsteady, good legs; vhc, Jackson; hc, Jackson; c, Whitty. BUFF CK. (9): 1, Jackson, like wax, nice round back, good feather, nice wings, stands straight; 2, Byrne, good flights, carried well, nice long tail, very compact; 3, vhc, Burtenshaw, good bird, a little open on front, good long flights, good back, nice head and neck; hc, c, McKeone. HEN (12): 1, Hartford, beautiful flights, nice head and tail, good body, bit pale in col.; 2, Burtenshaw, good feather, very straight, good legs, loses in wing carr.; 3, Whitty, long flights, nice wing carr., good feather, very neat; vhc, Beegan; hc, Jackson; c, Stunt. TKD. CK. (10): 1, 3, McKeone, leader fine size, nice shape, good feather, stands like a shoulder, good flights; 3rd nice wing carr., good head and neck, long tail, fine feather; 2, Byrne, real good one, good head, neck and shoulders,

nice shape, good wing carr., falls in size; vhc, Hartford; hc, Jackson; c, Whitty. HEN (12): 1, Hartford, good back, head, neck and wings, stands well up, shown to perfection; 2, Jackson, very stylish, stands up well, good wings, nice head and neck, good feather; 3, c, Stunt, nice size, fine feather, good head, neck and shoulders, nice wing carr.; vhc, Whitty; hc, Byrne. SELL. 50s. CK. (3): 1, Greene; 2, Jackson; 3, Mulvaun. HEN (2): 1, Hyland; 2, Buckley. 20s. CK. (12): 1, Lattimore; 2, Neville; 3, Hyland; vhc, Burtenshaw; hc, Kelly; c, Greene. HEN (6): 1, Buckley; 2, 3, Dowling; vhc, Morgan; hc, Lattimore; c, Mills. 12s. 6d. CK. (9): 1, Morgan; 2, Rowan; 3, Burtenshaw; vhc, McKoon. CREST OR C.B. CK. (3): 1, Osborne, rare size and shape, lovely head and neck, good close wings, nice col.; vhc, c, Cunningham. HEN (2): 1, Osborne, good size and shape, nice head and neck, very chubby, grand col., good wings; vhc, Cunningham. NOR. CK. (3): 1, Carleton, grand size and shape, good round head, lovely col. and qual., good wings; 2, O'Reilly, lovely type, fine head, good wings, not quite the subs. of winner; 3, Holly, good size and shape, nice qual., crossed wings a little; vhc, Osborne; hc, Barton; c, Price. HEN (5): 1, Holly, good size and shape, nice wings, fine col., nice type; 2, Osborne, sound col. and nice cond., good head and neck; 3, Sullivan, very nice type, hot col., good wings; vhc, Price; hc, Moore. A.O.V. CK. (2): 1, Kelly, good size and shape, nice col., very steady, well shown; vhc, Hickey and Fox. HEN (2): 1, Kelly, good size, fine wings, nice set tail, good back; vhc, Hickey and Fox. MULE, LIGHT (2): 1, 2, Kennedy, Goldf. Can. both, 1st lovely col., showing both parents well, nice cond.; 2nd bit soft, grand size and col., nice head and neck. DARK (3): 1, hc, Trunks, nice blaze, good col., very steady, wins well; vhc, Waters. LINNET-CAN. (3): 1, Alexander, good size and col., splendid bars, shows parents well; vhc, Kennedy; hc, Waters. A.O. MULE (1): 1, Waters, Dark Greenf., nice size, good col., fine qual., well deserves its place. HYB. (2): 1, 2, Alexander, Goldf. Bullf., splendid col., good blaze, very steady, shows bit too much of Goldfinch; 2nd Linnet-Bullf., showing both parents to perfection, not so steady as winner. GOLDF. H.M. (6): 1, O'Byrne, nice even blaze, splendid wings, good carr., handles well, good moons and buttons; 2, Kennedy, nice buttons on wings, good blaze, rather rough to handle; 3, hc, Mulcahy, best blaze, appears to have met with an accident, would have won easily only for feathers missing out of blaze, winner in Dublin; vhc, Miss Reeves; c, Mitchell. F.M. (6): 1, O'Byrne, splendid type, good blaze, well tanned and buttoned, wins easily; 2, Waters, nice blaze, behind in tanning, good moons and well buttoned; vhc, Mulcahy; hc, Ward. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, Dawson, Twite, good size and col., nicely mkd., shows white on wings well; 2, hc, c, Carleton, Siskin, nice size, good cap and bib; 3, Mulcahy, Redpoll, nice size and type, nicely mkd.; vhc, Waters. LINNET (9): 1, vhc, hc, Mulcahy, nice size and col., mkd. to perfection, handles very well; 2, Waters, larger winner but fails in marking, very steady; 3, Kennedy, good size and type, nice pencilling, but fails in brown; c, Dawson. F.M. (4): 1, 3, vhc, Mulcahy, good size and type, nice col., well mkd.; 3rd shade larger, nicely mkd., open in front; hc, Waters. SKYLARK (2): 1, 2, Mulcahy, nice col. and markings, very steady, good size, wins well; 2nd not so large or as well marked. BLACKBIRD, ETC. (4): 1, Falkiner, Thrush, nice medium col., well mottled on breast, good size, very steady; 3, hc, Mulcahy, Blackbird, nice size, very steady; vhc, Pollard. BULLF. CK. (10): 1, 3, Mulcahy, nice size and type, good col., nice cap and wing bars, splendid cond.; 3rd larger, nice col., good cap and wing bars, rather rough in feather, not so steady; 2, Lady Fairbairn, nice size, good cap and wing bars, fails in col. HEN (9): 1, Mulcahy, nice size, good type, good cap and wing bars, very steady; 2, O'Reilly, nice size and col., splendid qual., nice bars; 3, Ward, nice size and col., good wing bars, rather rough in feather; vhc, Mooney; hc, Waters; c, Ward. A.O. BRIT. (11): 1, 2, hc, Mulcahy, 1st Greenf., medium size, good col., handles to perfection; 2nd Chaffinch, good size and col., well mkd., very steady; 3, vhc, Waters, Bramblef., nice size, good col., well spangled, very steady; c, Alexander. SOFTBILL (2): 1, diploma best Brit., Mulcahy, Chough, very good col., deep set black, like velvet, nice col., head and legs, well shown. FOR. LARGE (3): 1, vhc, c, G. Mooney, 1st pair of Rose-crested Cockatoos, nice size and col., good crimson breast. SMALL (3): 1, hc, Lowe, Shamah, good col. and cond.; vhc, Mooney. YORKS CK. (CONFINED) (16): 1, Reilly, real good Yorkie, well up on legs, nice head and neck; 2, Dowd, good size and shape, well shown; 3, Byrne, nice head, neck and tail, good size, crosses wings; vhc, Beegan; hc, c, Clery. HEN (11): 1, 3, Reilly, leader long slim body, good legs nice wing carr.; 3rd nicer head and neck, good feather, a bit wild; 2, Gleeson and Dwyer, good Gr., well shown in fine condition, good head, neck and wings; vhc, Beegan; hc, Miss Wallis; c, Dowd. NOR. CK. (5): 1, 2, Gleeson and Dwyer, 1st very cobby, nice size, carries wings well, good feather; 2nd beaten in size, but a very nice bird; 3, Foster, larger than 2nd, nice size and shape, good wing carr. and cond.; vhc, Beegan; hc, Price. HEN (6): 1, c, Beegan, good subs., fine cond., wins easily; 2, Gleeson and Dwyer, nice size, good wing carr., good type; 3, vhc, Foster, good size and shape, well shown; hc, Price. A.O.V. (7): 1, 3, c, Beegan, 1st C.B., good size and shape, fine bold brow, abundance of feather, wins easily; 3rd not so large, small head, good broad shoulders and fine wings; 2, Miss Wallis, nice Belgian, stands well up, great length and subs.; vhc, hc, c, Gleeson and Dwyer. GOLDF. (3): 1, Byrne, nice size and type, good blaze, well buttoned, nice tanning; vhc, Foster; hc, Coghlan. LINNET (3): 1, hc, Ward, nice size and col., well pencilled, nicely mkd., good cond.; vhc, Byrne. FINCH (JUVENILE) (17): 1, Broderick, Chaffinch, nice size and col., well mkd. on wings, nice head, very steady; 2, 3, hc, Graham Brothers, 2nd Greenf., nice size and col., good wing bars, nice cond., well buttoned, good moons; vhc, Beegan; c, Byrne. LINNET (11): 1, 3, Broderick, 1st nice size and type, nicely mkd., good pencilling, fine cond., very steady; 3rd nice size, well mkd., a little open in front to leader; 2, Lynch, shade smaller, nicely mkd., good cond., not quite so steady; vhc, Pearce; hc, Byrne; c, Donnellan. SISKIN, ETC. (8): 1, Kane, Redpoll, nice size and type, good bib, nice col.; 2, Graham Bros., Siskin, excellent size and col.; 3, Lynch, honey Redpoll.



PLEASURE BEFORE BUSINESS!

N. MANCHESTER C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 14, Balmoral Hotel, Harpurhey, 173 birds. AMAT. YORKS. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Clarke; 2, 3, Firth. BUFF (2): 1, Clarke; 2, Deakin. BUFF HEN (1): 1, Clarke. 1914 YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, Clarke; 3, Deakin. BUFF (5): 1, Clarke; 2, 3, 4, Jones; vhc, Deakin. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Deakin. BUFF (1): 1, Clarke. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Jones; 2, Clarke; 3, Firth. NOR. YELL. CK. (3): 1, 2, Slater; 3, Hadfield. BUFF (8): 1, 2, 4, Slater; 3, vhc, Woods; hc, c, Hadfield. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 3, Hadfield; 2, Woods; 4, vhc, Slater. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Slater; 2, vhc, Woods; 4, Hadfield. 1914 YELL. CK. (2): 1, Hadfield; 2, Slater. BUFF (5): 1, vhc, Slater; 2, 3, 4, Hadfield. YELL. HEN (3): 1, 2, 3, Slater. BUFF (6): 1, 3, 4, vhc, Slater; 2, Hadfield; hc, Woods. BORD. YELL. CK. (7): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, c, Hartley; hc, Colley. BUFF (5): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, Hartley. HEN (8): 1, 3, 4, vhc, Hartley; 2, hc, c, Colley. NOV. YORKS. YELL. CK. (4): 1, Cooper; 2, Slove; 3, Edwards; 4, Allen. BUFF (2): 1, Cooper; 2, Edwards. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Edwards; 2, Cooper. BUFF (5): 1, 3, Cooper; 2, Allen; 4, vhc, Slove. 1914 YELL. CK. (5): 1, 3, 4, Cooper; 2, Howarth; vhc, Whittaker. BUFF (7): 1, hc, Whittaker; 2, Allen; 3, 4, hc, Cooper; vhc, Edwards. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Slove; 2, 3, Cooper. BUFF (3): 1, 3, Cooper; 2, Allen. NOR. YELL. CK. (2): 1, Cain; 2, Colley. BUFF (8): 1, 2, vhc, c, Cain; 3, Jackson; 4, vhc, Coop. YELL. HEN (3): 1, Jackson; 2, Cain; 3, Coop. BUFF (5): 1, 2, vhc, Cain; 3, Jackson; 4, Colley. 1914 YELL. CK. (2): 1, Henson; 2, Cain. BUFF (5): 1, Robinson; 2, 4, Henson; 3, Jackson; vhc, Colley. BUFF HEN (5): 1, Robinson; 2, 3, Colley; 4, vhc, Cain. GOLDF. AND BULLF. (3): 1, 4, Robinson; 2, Firth; 3, Daley. LINNET (5): 1, Robinson; 2, Daley; 3, Firth; 4, vhc, Dutton. GREENF. ETC. (7): 1, 2, Robinson; 3, 4, hc, Daley; vhc, c, Firth. SISKIN, ETC. (5): 1, 2, Daley; 3, Robinson; 4, Firth; vhc, Dutton. YNG. MULE (4): 1, 3, Daley; 2, Firth; 4, Robinson. SELL. (7): 1, vhc, Dutton; 2, 3, 4, hc, Hall; c, Jackson. A.O.V. (3): 1, Daley; 2, Slater; 3, Hadfield. Specials: Greig cup most points with four highest birds A. Cooper for the second year, Sandiford medal J. Cain, best three birds by one exhibitor, A. Cooper, runner-up to the cup J. Robinson. Section medals: Amat. Yorks. W. H. Jones, Nor. C. A. Slater, Bord. D. Hartley, Nov. Yorks. T. J. Howarth, Nor. J. Cain, Brit. W. Daley. Mr. J. M. Metcalf judged.—A. Colley, hon. sec.

PAISLEY N.M.B. AND F.B.C.

Fourteenth annual show, Tannahill Hall, Nov. 14. Entries showed a slight decrease over previous years, but quality of the birds was above the average. Mr. Robt. Lambie, Whitburn, judged, and gave entire satisfaction. YOUNG CREST CK.: 1, Gemmell; 2, Maxwell; 3, M'Levie. HEN: 1, Maxwell; 2, M'Levie. C.B.: 1, cup, Maxwell; 2, Pratt; 3, 4, M'Levie. HEN: 1, Gemmell; 2, 3, M'Levie. OLD CREST: 1, Gemmell; 2, Maxwell; 3, Pratt. C.B.: 1, Gemmell; 2, Maxwell; 3, M'Levie. YOUNG NOR. CK. YELL.: 1, cup, Sinclair; 3, Cunningham; 4, Paterson; 5, 6, Maxwell; 7, Pratt. HEN: 1, 2, Sinclair. BUFF: 1, Pratt; 2, Maxwell; 3, Laidlaw; 4, 5, Sinclair. HEN: 1, Sinclair; 2, Maxwell; 3, Paterson. YELL. VAR.: 1, 8, Sinclair; 2, Paterson; 4, Potts. HEN: 1, 3, Potts; 2, Sinclair. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, Potts. HEN: 1, Sinclair; 2, 5, Paterson; 3, Pratt; 4, Laidlaw. YOUNG UNFED: 1, 3, Pratt; 2, Potts; 4, M'Levie. HEN: 1, Paterson; 2, 4, Pratt; 3, Potts; 5, M'Levie. OLD COL. FED: 1, 5, Paterson; 2, Cunningham; 3, Gemmell; 4, Laidlaw. UNFED: 1, Maxwell; 2, 3, Laidlaw. YOUNG YELL. BORD.: 1, Briggs; 2, Potts; 3, 4, Cunningham. HEN: 1, 3, Cunningham; 2, Briggs; 4, Potts. BUFF: 1, cup, Briggs; 2, Cunningham; 4, Potts. HEN: 1, 2, Potts; 3, Briggs; 4, 5, Cunningham. VAR. YELL.: 1, 2, Cunningham; 3, Gemmell; 4, Potts. HEN: 1, Gemmell; 2, Cunningham; 3, Potts. BUFF: 1, Cunningham; 2, Briggs. HEN: 1, Briggs; 2, Cunningham. OLD BORD.: 1, 2, Cunningham. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Cunningham; 2, Graham. LINNET:

1, 4, Livingstone; 2, Graham; 3, Potts; 5, Cunningham. GOLDF.: 1, 3, Livingstone; 2, Cunningham; 4, Graham. FOR. GOLDF.: 1, 2, Livingstone; 3, Graham. BULLF. CK.: 1, Cunningham; 2, Graham. HEN: 1, Cunningham; 2, Graham; 3, Livingstone. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 4, Graham; 2, Livingstone; 3, Potts; 5, 6, Cunningham. LESSER REDPOLL: 1, Cunningham; 2, Potts; 3, Pratt; 4, 6, Livingstone; 5, Graham; 7, M'Levie. GREENF.: 1, Graham; 2, Livingstone; 3, Cunningham. SMALL BRIT.: 1, cup, Livingstone; 2, M'Levie; 3, 4, Graham; 5, Cunningham. GIFT: 1, Maxwell; 2, Potts; 3, Sinclair; 4, Laidlaw; 5, Pratt; 6, M'Levie. Office-bearers for 1914-15: Pres. J. Laidlaw, vice-pres. T. McNair, treas. D. O'Hare, sec. J. Gemmell, 11, Phillips-st., Paisley; committee T. Potts, R. M'Levie, W. Pratt, D. Cunningham, H. Graham, J. Sinclair.—J. Gemmell, sec.

REDCAR C.B.S.

Members' show of young stock and British birds, Crown and Anchor, Oct. 31. Mr. A. Wake judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction. Members gave splendid support, and we had a total entry of 83, of which there were 52 in the six Yorks. classes, amongst them being some real good birds. Norwich classes filled badly, members having done badly with these this season. Mr. G. Barker won sp. most points in champ. section, and Mr. A. Harvey 2nd; Mr. J. Clark sp. most points novice, and Mr. W. Curnell 2nd. These specials were kindly given by Mr. Skinner (Kirkcatham). CHAMP. YORKS. YELL. (12): 1, hc, Barker; 2, Harvey; 3, 4, Marsey; vhc, c, Bray. BUFF (11): 1, 2, 3, Barker; 4, Bray; vhc, F. Dixon; hc, Husband; c, Harvey. MKD. (8): 1, Harvey; 2, 4, Barker; 3, Bray; vhc, F. Dixon; hc, c, Husband. NOV. YORKS. YELL. (4): 1, 3, 4, Eastgate; 2, Robinson. BUFF (8): 1, 3, c, Curnell; 2, 4, Clark; vhc, Eastgate; hc, Robinson. MKD. (9): 1, 2, Elwick; 3, hc, c, Curnell; 4, Robinson; vhc, hc, Dixon. NOR. YELL. (3): 1, 3, Husband; 2, Harvey. BUFF (6): 1, 2, vhc, Husband; 3, Marsey; 4, hc, Harvey. A.O.V. (2): 1, 3, Harvey; 2, Close. MULE OR HYB. (3): 1, Harvey; 2, Mallory; 3, Bray. GOLDF. (2): 1, R. Dixon; 2, Mallory; 3, Bray. vhc, R. Dixon; hc, Walton. A.O. BRIT. (9): 1, Barker; 2, Mallory; 3, vhc, Clark; 4, c, Green; hc, Husband.—C. L. Mallory, Hon. Sec.

ALTRINCHAM (Open) C.B.S.

Members' Annual Show, Nov. 21, Rigby Memorial Schools. Proceeds were in aid of the Local Relief Fund. The sale of tickets and the attendance did not realise expectations, otherwise the show was fairly successful. Mr. A. Royle judged and gave general satisfaction. CHAMP. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL. CK. (2); YELL. CK. (2); GR. OR CINN., SELF OR FOUL BUFF HEN (2); UNFLIG. YELL. (2); BORD., ET., YELL. CK. (2); HEN (2); UNFLIG. YELL. (2) all Harrison. GR. OR CINN., SELF OR FOUL YELL. CK.: 1, 3, Vernon; 2, 4, Harrison. YELL. GR. HEN: 1, 3, Vernon; 2, Harrison. AMAT. AND NOV. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Hallworth; 3, Jackson; 4, Hawkins. BUFF: 1, 4, Hawkins; 2, Hallworth; 3, Jackson; vhc, Davy. YELL. HEN: 1, Jackson; 2, 3, Hallworth. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, 3, Davy; 2, 4, Hawkins; vhc, Hallworth. BUFF: 1, Hallworth; 2, Jackson; 3, 4, Davy; vhc, Hawkins. GR. OR CINN. CK.: 1, Hallworth; 2, Bailey. NOR. YELL. CK.: 1, Hingworth; 2, Drinkwater. HEN: 1, 2, 4, Hingworth; 2, vhc, Drinkwater. BORD. YELL. CK.: 1, 2, Wakefield. HEN: 1, Wakefield. GR. OR CINN., BUFF CK.: 1, Wakefield. HEN: 1, 2, Wakefield. GOLDF.: 1, Watson; 2, H. Bailey; 3, C. Bailey; 4, Leah. BULLF.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Watson; 3, Leah. GREENF.: 1, Broadbent; 2, Bailey. CHAFFINCH: 1, Broadbent. LINNET: 1, C. Bailey; 2, Leah; 3, Drinkwater. REDPOLL: 1, Watson; 2, Drinkwater. YELLOWHAMMER: 1, Watson. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Watson. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Broadbent. SELL.: 1, 2, Hallworth. President's spl. Champion section: 1, 2, 4, hc, c, Harrison; 3, vhc, Vernon. AMAT. & NOV.: 1, hc, W. Hallworth; 2, vhc, W. Watson; 3, W. Hawkins; 4, c, A. Broadbent. Mr. T. Harrison's spl.: 1, W. Hallworth.—Chas. Bailey, Hon. Sec.

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BARROW C.B.A.

Show Nov. 21, Dalton Road Schools, with over 200 entries. The show was opened by the Mayor, Ald. A. Barrow. Mr. A. Wellings judged.

From the newspaper cutting sent we take the names of the principal winners: YORKS., Woodward, Henderson, Miss Winder, Currie, Harrison. BORD., Shackley, Large, Hale, Higgin, Hudson, Saul, Williams. NOR., Neal, Wagstaffe, M.F. Farlane, Walsh, Woodward. SCOTCH FANCY, Willison. MULE, Wagstaffe, Neal. BRIT., Armstrong, Shackley, Miss Winder.

LEICESTER (Hand-in-Hand) C.B.S. Meeting Dec. 1. Mr. Gibbons presided over a large attendance. Sec. was instructed to hand over to National Relief Fund 44 2s. 6d., and to the Belgian Relief Fund 41 10s. Usual table show was held. Mr. W. Stevens judged. Vote of thanks to judge closed the meeting.

VARIET. YELL. HEN: 1, vhc, Hulder; 2, Herbert; 3, Freestone. BUFF: 1, 2, Moores; 3, vhc, Freestone; hc, Hulder; c, Herbert. NOV. YELL. HEN: 1, Hulbert; 2, Jolley. BUFF: 1, Jolley; 2, Bent; 3, Brooks; vhc, Hulbert; hc, Moore; c, Holland. BULLF: 1, Brooks. A. Freestone, Sec.

WOOD GREEN F. AND F.S. Annual show, Nov. 21. Mr. Wm. Shakespeare judged and gave every satisfaction. Mr. Brand (Chairman), Mr. Tollree (Show Sec.) and an obliging lot of stewards were all in attendance.

CHAMP., NOR.: 1, 2, 3, Tichner. HEN: 1, 2, 3, Tichner. YORKS.: 1, Jones. CREST: 1, 2, 3, Pettit; vhc, Jones. C.B.: 1, 2, 3, Pettit. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, Jones. NOV., NOR.: 1, Peters. YORKS. BUFF: 1, 2, Huggins; 3, Tollfree; vhc, Peters. YELL: 1, vhc, Everett; 2, Tollfree; 3, c, Huggins; hc, Peters. VARIET.: 1, Tollfree; 2, 3, Huggins. UNFLIG.: 1, cup, 3, Huggins; 2, Tollfree; vhc, hc, Everett. HENS: 1, 2, Huggins; 3, Tollfree; vhc, Everett; hc, Peters. MULES: 1, 2, Peters. BULLF.: 1, Jones; 2, Pettit. LINNET: 1, Pettit.

SPEN VALLEY C.B.S. Show, Oct. 21, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton; 65 birds were judged by Mr. C. Pickup, Great Horton, whose awards were very well received. Mr. Pickup favourably commented upon the improvement in type and quality of the birds at this show in comparison with the exhibits upon his last visit.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. YORKS., CK. (12): 1, 4, hc, Bluns; 2, vhc, McLoughlin; 3, Ellis; c, Hezelden. BUFF (14): 1, hc, McLoughlin; 2, Ellis; 3, c, Wood; 4, vhc, Hedden. UNFLIG.: 1, Fawcett. CINN. MKD. CK.: 1, Oxy; 2, Fawcett. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, 3, Wood; 2, A. L. Ellis; 4, Oxy; vhc, Bluns; hc, R. Ellis; c, Rothery. BUFF (9): 1, McLoughlin; 2, Bluns; 3, A. L. Ellis; 4, R. Ellis; vhc, Hodven; hc, Wood; c, Fawcett. UENV. HEN (5): 1, Smith; 2, Sheard; 3, Rothery; 4, Fawcett; vhc, Wood. CINN. MKD. HEN (10): 1, hc, Bluns; 2, R. Ellis; 3, Hodven; 4, Smith; vhc, McLoughlin; c, Cooper. ERIT.: 1, Smith; 2, Fawcett.

GUIBORO' PRIORY C.B.S. Third show of season, Ware's Rooms, on Nov. 7. Mr. T. Hill judged and gave every satisfaction.

YORKS. YELL.: 1, Wesson; 2, Barker; 3, c, Husband; vhc, hc, Cook. BUFF: 1, 3, Cook; 2, Wesson; vhc, hc, Barker; c, Husband. HENS: 1, 2, 3, Barker; vhc, hc, Husband; c, Mays. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 1, Wesson; 2, Cook; 3, vhc, Husband. BUFF: 1, 2, 3, vhc, Barker; hc, Mays; c, Husband. NOR. YELL.: 1, Wesson; 2, Cook; 3, vhc, Husband. BUFF: 1, 2, Mays; 3, vhc, Cook; hc, c, Husband. HENS: 1, hc, Mays; 2, vhc, Husband; 3, Cook. UNFLIG.: 1 sp, vhc, Mays; 2, Cook; 3, hc, c, Husband. A.O.V.: 1, Grayham; 2, 3, vhc, Starling; hc, Wilson. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 3, Husband; 2, Mays; vhc, Wilson. BRIT.: 1, Cook; 2, Wesson; 3, Waraker; vhc, Husband. NOV. YORKS. YELL.: 1, 2, Wilson; 3, vhc, Marsey. BUFF: 1, vhc, Marsey; 2, Wilson; 3, Harrison. HENS: 1, c, Wilson; 2, hc, Marsey; 3, Waraker; vhc, Harrison. UNFLIG.: 1, hc, Wilson; 2, Marsey; 3, vhc, c, Harrison. NOR. BUFF: 1, Marsey; 2, Waraker. HENS: 1, 2, Marsey; 3, vhc, Waraker. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Waraker; 3, Marsey; vhc, Wilson.—W. Waraker, Hon. Sec.

LEEDS C.B.S. Show, Nov. 7, St. George's Schoolrooms. Entries came up very well, 256 birds being staged, and quality was all that could be desired. Mr. J. Livingstone won special for best bird with his unfledged yellow Norwich, which should have a good future. This was no mean achievement, as there were birds in every section that have taken premier honours at leading open shows. Mr. Sam Wilcock judged, and his awards gave general satisfaction.

OPEN YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL. (9): 1, Ramsden; 2, c, Hall; 3, Marsh; 4, vhc, Chew; hc, Norton. BUFF (11): 1, hc, Sykes; 2, 4, Hall; 3, Marsh; vhc, Norton; c, Ramsden. YELL. HEN (12): 1, Sykes; 2, Chew; 3, Hall; 4, vhc, Marsh; hc, c, Baldwinson. BUFF (9): 1, Hall; 2, Marsh; 3, Sykes; 4, Norton; vhc, Chew; hc, c, Pyrah. YELL. UNFLIG. (10): 1, 4, Marsh; 2, Hall; 3, Pyrah; vhc, Sykes; hc, c, Norton. BUFF (10): 1, Norton; 2, Marsh; 3, vhc, Hall; 4, Chew; hc, Chambers; c, Pyrah. NOR. CL., ETC., YELL. (7): 1, Wilson; 2, hc, Livingstone; 3, Smith; 4, Norwood; vhc, Willford; c, Hattersley. BUFF (9): 1, Willford; 2, hc, Wilson; 3, Livingstone; 4, Tose; vhc, Norwood; c, Chambers. YELL. HEN (7): 1, 2, Wilson; 3, Dr. Cummings; 4, Livingstone; vhc, Baldwinson; hc, Norwood; c, Hattersley. BUFF (12): 1, 3, Wilson; 2, Willford; 4, vhc, Baldwinson; hc, Johnson; c, Livingstone. YELL. UNFLIG. (11): 1, 2, Livingstone; 3, c, Johnson; 4, Chambers; vhc, Wilson; hc, Norton. BUFF (10): 1, Wilson; 2, 3, Livingstone; 4, Johnson; vhc, Chambers; hc, Baldwinson; c, Norton. A.O.V. CAN. (9): 1, 2, Dr. Cummings; 3, Hattersley; 4, vhc, hc, Hornby; c, Smithson. LINNET (11): 1, 4, Haigh; 2, 3, vhc, hc, Owen. GOLDF. OR BULLF. (7): 1, 2, Haigh; 3, 4, Owen. REDPOLL, ETC. (9): 1, 2, hc, Middleton; 3, 4, vhc, Haigh; c, Owen. GREENE. (9): 1, 3, c, Middleton; 2, 4, Haigh; vhc, Owen; hc, Norwood. A.O. HARDBILL (10): 1, hc, c, Haigh; 2, 3, 4, vhc, Middleton. MULE OR HYB. (10): 1, c, Haigh; 2, Heald; 3, vhc, hc, Middleton; 4, Owen. NOV. YORKS. CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, 2, Featherstone; 3, Abbott; 4, Simms; vhc, hc, Firth; c, Dobson. BUFF (7): 1, vhc, Firth; 2, 4, Simms; 3, Featherstone; hc, Reed, Longley, and Reed; c, Abbott. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, Featherstone; 4, Simms; vhc, Watson; hc, Abbott. BUFF (9): 1, Dobson; 2, Simms; 3, 4, vhc, hc, Reed, Longley, and Reed; c, Dobson. YELL. UNFLIG. (14): 1, 4, Firth; 2, Simms; 3, vhc, Reed, Longley, and Reed; hc, Watson; c, Dobson. BUFF (12): 1, 2, 3, vhc, Reed, Longley, and Reed; 4, Dobson; hc, Featherstone; c, Simms. YELL. NOR. (4): 1, 2, Appleyard; 3, Dr. Cummings; 4, Heald. BUFF (3): 1, Appleyard; 2, Heald; 3, Dr. Cummings. YELL. HEN (1): 1, Dr. Cummings. BUFF (2): 1, Appleyard; 2, Heald. YELL. UNFLIG. (2): 1, Dr. Cummings; 2, Heald.

Competition for the various trophies and specials was very keen and interesting, and we should have a bumper entry at our usual show, Dec. 26. The

leaders are: Leeds cup 4 starred birds: W. A. Wilson 25 points, C. E. Hall 23, J. Sykes 22. Mr. Somers' cup, 6 starred birds: C. E. Hall 32, W. A. Wilson 32, J. Livingstone, H. Simms, and J. B. Featherstone, 29 each. Leeds rung bird cup, 3 highest birds: J. Livingstone 36, W. A. Wilson 33, E. Norton 30. Members' specials, 6 highest birds to count: R. Haigh 77, E. Middleton 71. Section specials, 6 highest birds, Yorkshire Section: E. Marsh 58, C. E. Hall 44, J. Sykes 32. Norwich Section: W. A. Wilson 63, J. Livingstone 62, W. Tose 39. Brit.: R. Haigh 77, E. Middleton 71, J. Owen 59. Nov.: Reed, Longley and Reed 63, J. B. Featherstone 48, H. Simms 44. A.O.V. Can.: W. Hornby 21, Dr. Cummings 13. Mr. Wilkinson's special, most points Linnet classes: J. Owen 16, R. Haigh 11. Greenlinch: E. Middleton 13, R. Haigh 10. If any of the above are not correct, please notify me.—E. Norton, Hon. Sec.

ST. JAMES-THE-LESS F.A.

11th annual show, St. James' Buildings, Nov. 21. The hon. sec., Messrs. T. C. Bransford and F. E. Adams, did excellent work in perfecting the arrangements. Quality was very nice. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. Sp. winners cup and gold medal best bird, silver medal best novice, Stothard; 2nd best novice and best by member joining 1914, Stubbs. YORKS. (6): 1, Marhol; 2, medal, Stothard; 3, spl, vhc, hc, Stubbs; res, Ham. UNFLIG. (9): 1, cup and gold medal, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Marhol; res, spl, Stubbs; c, Ham. NOR. (5): 1, 2, res, Marhol; 3, Tipler.

ATTERLEFFE C.B.S.

Ninth annual show, Wesleyan Reform Schoolroom, Bodmin-st., Nov. 21. Although the entry was rather lower than in previous years, quality was good and competition for the cups very keen, two members running the winner of the Yorks. cup to a point. Cup winners: Yorks., W. Blunt, Nor., L. Havenhand; Brit., P. Bearder; Nov. Yorks., W. F. Dyett; Nov. Nor., I. Hartley. Spl.: Best Yorks., young, J. W. Merrills; old, H. Thornhill; Nor., young, W. Grainger; old, L. Havenhand; Brit., I. Breader; Nov. York., H. Flint; Nov. Nor., I. Hartley. Points spls., Yorks., young, W. J. Mason; old, H. Thornhill; Nor., young, L. Havenhand; old, L. Havenhand; Brit., B. Duce; Nov. Nor., I. Hartley. Judges were Messrs. G. Browning, Rotherham, Canaries, and P. Walsh, Hillsboro, Brit., and their awards were well received.—E. Johnson, Sec.

From the catalogue received we gather that the principal winners were: YORKS., Blunt, Merrills, Thornhill, Eason, Palmer, Dyett; NOR., Grainger, Havenhand, Hollingworth, Flint, Green; MULES, Hartley; BRIT., Duce, Hammond, Darlow, HOLLINGBURY, Buckley, Bearder; NOV. YORKS., Flint, Dyett; NOR., Hartley, Holling, Flint, Green.—(Editor.)

WEST BROMWICH.

Inter-club show, Nov. 21. City of Birmingham, Walsall, and Wolverhampton were invited to join at Dartmouth Hotel. The entry did not come up to expectations, but what was lacking in quantity was easily made up with quality, every class containing birds of merit, and some with Crystal Palace laurels were there. The most noticeable failure was the novice section, usually one of the strongest. The show was excellently managed, and much praise is due to Mr. S. N. Taylor, chairman, and Messrs. W. Hepwood, H. T. Collier, and J. A. Tonks. Judging was over in good time, prize cards up as soon as class was judged, and prize money paid out on night of show. Mr. J. A. Tonks again took members' challenge cup, making his second win; J. Hearnshaw, most points with rung birds 1914; Mr. J. H. Roe, Birmingham, judged.—W. G. Andrews, Hon. Sec. (The catalogue received gives principal winners as follow: NOR.: Williams, Gough and Loach, Broadhurst, Taylor, Willoughby, Collier, Garfield. YORKS.: Gibbons and Weeks, Williams, Andrews, Burke, Wells and Clompson, Clay, Cowley. MULES: Weaver, Tonks, Hepwood. BRIT.: Raby, Tonks, Onions, Price, Williams, Camm, Taylor. FOR.: Beardmore, Dr. Morris. NOV. NOR.: Shirley, Hampton, Barnsley, Derry. NOV. YORKS.: Hall, Hinton, Swindon, Chatteraway, Amos, Allen.—Ed.)

NOTTINGHAM (Amalgamated).

Nov. 14, Mechanics' Institute. Nearly two hundred staged, competition being very keen in Nor. and Brit.; judge, Mr. W. Vardy, who gave every satisfaction. NOR., CL., ETC., YELL.: 1, Boaler; 2, 3, Fox; vhc, Bown. BUFF: 1, 3, Bown; 2, Boaler; vhc, Fox. HEAVILY MKD.: 1, Fox; 2, vhc, Boaler; 3, hc, Bown; c, Drinkwater. YELL. HEN: 1, Sharpe; 2, 3, Boaler; vhc, Fox; hc, Binks. BUFF: 1, Sharpe; 2, Fox; 3, Bown; vhc, Barnes. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Boaler; 2, 3, Mout; vhc, Wolfe; hc, Barnes. BUFF: 1, Wolfe; 2, A. Binks; 3, Mout; vhc, Drinkwater. HEN: 1, Boaler; 2, Bown; 3, Roberts; vhc, Gill. PAIRS: 1, Sharpe; 2, Bown; 3, Boaler; vhc, Streets. NOV. NOR., YELL. (Canc.): BUFF: 1, 2, Birkitt; 3, Binks; vhc, Sanderson. UNFLIG. YELL.: 1, Langham; 2, H. Binks; 3, Sanderson. BUFF: 1, Langham; 2, H. Binks; vhc, Streets. A.V. HEN: 1, Birkitt; 2, B. Streets; 3, vhc, H. Binks. YELL. CREST: 1, 3, White; 2, Holmes; vhc, Reynolds. BUFF: 1, Norwood; 2, Geo. White; 3, T. Hodkinson; vhc, White. YELL. C.B.: 1, Holmes; 2, Cane; 3, Broom. BUFF: 1, William; 2, Reynolds; 3, J. Bowers; 4, White. CREST HEN: 1, Norwood; 2, Bowers; 3, vhc, Reynolds; hc, Wood. C.B.: 1, White; 2, Goode; 3, White; vhc, Reynolds; hc, Hodkinson. UNFLIG. CREST: 1, Norwood; 2, Hodkinson; 3, Goode; vhc, Mals. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, 2, Beers; 3, Long; vhc, Eaton. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, 3, Hayter; vhc, C. Wood; hc, Hodkinson. LINNET: 1, 3, Cottingham; 2, J. Wood; vhc, Wood. GOLDF. OR BULLF.: 1, 2, 3, Bunn; vhc, Hayter; hc, Saywell; c, Wood. GREENE, ETC.: 1, 2, Cottingham; 3, Saywell; vhc, Hayter; hc, Beers. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, 3, Hayter; 2, J. Wood; vhc, hc, c, Cottingham. A.O. HARD.: 1, 3, Cottingham; 2, vhc, Hayter; hc, J. Wood; c, C. Wood. SOFTBILL: 1, 2, Saywell; 3, Hann; vhc, Wells; hc, Rose. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, Saywell; vhc, Wells; hc, Hann; c, Rose. Specials: Most points Nor., Boaler; 2, Bown, Crests, White; 2, Norwood. Brit., Hayter; 2, Cottingham. Nov. Nor., Binks; 2, Birkitt.—J. G. Royce.

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SWANSEA.

Annual show of the Swansea P.C., Dec. 10. Entries were a record, close on 400, and quality was quite on a par with the quantity. Owing to lack of room we heard about 50 entries had to be returned. Norwich, Borders, Mules, and British were a grand lot, the Britishers reminding us of the Welsh shows of a few years ago. The venue was the market, part of which was partitioned off for the purpose. The exhibits were nicely staged and well looked after by old and experienced fanciers. Visitors were numerous, and everything seemed to indicate that the Red Cross Society would reap a benefit, as the society had generously decided to give them the proceeds. Mr. E. Dendle makes a most capable and efficient secretary, having everything well in hand, and was most courteous to all. Mr. J. H. Payne judged.

NOR. YELL. (13): 1, 2, Stubbs Bros., neck tkd., capital shape, lovely col., full of qual., nice head and back, good rump and tail, 2 saddle mkd., silky feather, beautiful col., nice shape, neat tail and wings, not quite so deep through as 1st; 3, Jenkins, cl., nice shaped body, grand col., nice back; 4, sp, Sice, nice shape and col., good back, not quite so good in wing carr.; vhc, Edwards; hc, c, Sampson; c, James. BUFF (11): 1, Tristem, head and wing mkd., good size, shape, col., and qual., nice wings and tail, good front; 2, Thompson, varieg., nice feather and col., cobby shape, nice wings and tail, not quite the subs.; 3, Sampson, mkd. head, good shape and size, nice feather, beaten in col.; 4, Sice, nice shape, tight feather, neat wings and tail; vhc, hc, Richards; c, James. HEN (12): 1, Thompson, yell., capital shape, short wings and tail, nice head and neck, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Tristem, buff, mkd. eyes and wings, good size and shape, nicely feathered, good head, neck, and back; 3, Sampson, buff, mkd. on shoulder, good shape and feather, grand back, not quite so good in col.; 4, c, Sice, yell., good shape and col., nice back and wings; vhc, hc, no name; hc, Nicholas. UNFLIG. (21): 1, sp best Nor., Stubbs Bros., cl. buff, gem for shape, feather, and col., full of qual., short flights and tail, nice clear head and full neck, full of style, a sound Nor.; 2, D. Jenkins, yell., lovely qual. of feather, nice col., good head and neck, well packed flights; 3, Stubbs Bros., good shaped cl. yell., grand col. and feather, short wings and tail, neat head; 4, hc, James and Wells, heavily varieg., grand shape, rare head, neck, and back, nice feather; vhc, Tristem; hc, Hamilton, Davies; c, Mabbett. YORKS. YELL. (7): 1, 3, Yorke, nice col. and qual., good flights and tail, stands well, neat head and narrow shoulders, 3 capital feather, nice pos., good back and shoulders, hardly so long; 2, Williams, good length and stand, long flights and tail, well on leg; 4, Weeks, nice length, good col. and pos., beaten on breast; vhc, Hawking; hc, Thomas, Dr.; c, Bevan. BUFF (5): 1, Weeks, mkd. cheek, breast, and wing, lovely feather, grand back and breast, nice stand and style, well braced wings and pipe tail; 2, James and Wells, cl., slim built, good length and pos., long flights and tail, close up; 3, Wootton, wing tkd., stands well, nice feather, flights, and tail, loses in length; 4, Thomas, Dr., cl., close up; vhc, Watkins. HEN (6): 1, Owen, buff, well drawn out, stands well on a good pair of legs, nice back, flights and tail; 2, no name, yell., boxy feather, slim built, nice flights and tail, and good pos.; 3, James and Wells, buff, good length and pos., nice back and tail; 4, Bevan, nice qual. of feather, neat tail, a bit down; vhc, Yorke; hc, Thomas, Dr. UNFLIG. (12): 1, sp, Harding, cl. yell., lovely col., good length, straight as a pencil, well braced wings and piped tail, neat head and narrow shoulders; 2, Yorke, buff, good length, stands well, nice feather, neat tail, well packed flights; 3, hc, Watton, buff, tkd. on head, grand back, straight, stands well, beautiful qual. of feather; 4, Howard, buff, nice col. and feather, not the length; vhc, Owen; c, Thomas, Dr. BORD. YELL. (9): 1, vhc, Hocking, wing mkd., lovely feather, shape, and carr., neat head, tail and wings, good shoulders and back; 2, Pratt, cl., beautifully feathered, sweet shape, neat wings and tail, full of style; 3, Jenkins, D., cinn. mkd., nice shape, beautiful feather, nice back and tail; 4, sp, Richards, cl., nice col. and feather, good shape; hc, Sampson; c, Hughes Bros. BUFF (14): 1, sp, 3, Jenkins, D., neck and wing mkd., feathered to perfection, sweet shape, wings, and tail well braced, nice head, shoulders, and back, put down in the pink, 3 lovely coloured cl., nice shape and feather, neat wings and tail; 2, Pratt, magnificent feather, sweet shape and carr., neat head, wings and tail, another gem; 4, c, Hocking, mkd. eyes and wings, grand feather, nice shape and style, good wings, back, and tail; vhc, Madagan; hc, Sampson. HEN, YELL. (12): 1, Sampson, cl., sweet shape, lovely close fitting jacket, neat wings and tail, nice carr.; 2, Hocking, cl., grandly feathered, nice shape and action, neat head, wings and tail; 3, Hoddinott, lovely col., good wings and tail, hardly so shapely; 4, Pratt, lovely feather, nice shape and style, good shoulders and back; vhc, Jones, G. T.; hc, Ford; c, Hocking. HEN (13): 1, sp, Jenkins, D., cinn., head and wing mkd., lovely feather and col., sweet shape, wings and tail well packed, nice carr., in the pink; 2, Hocking, mkd. head, eyes, and wings, another charmer, grand in feather, and sweetly moulded, good tail, back, and wings; 3, Madagan, grandly feathered cl., nice shape, neat head, wings and tail, nice action; 4, Pratt, cl., similar, close up; vhc, Pearce; hc, Sampson; c, Richards. GR. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Wiseman, rich col., grand feather, shape, and pencilling, wings well packed, and neat tail, good carr.; 2, Allen, nice shape, close feather, nicely braced wings and neat tail, not quite so bright in col.; 3, Middleton, nice shape and feather, good col., nice head, shoulders and back, close up; 4, Jenkins, D., nice shape and col., hardly so tight in feather; vhc, Evans; hc, Richards; c, Jenkins, P. BUFF (13): 1, Payne, grand shape, beautifully feathered and good col., nice head and back, wings well braced, and neat tail; 2, Allen, nicely moulded, capital col., and well pencilled, tight feather, close on the leader; 3, Bacon, nice shape and feather, neat head, good back, hardly so bright in col.; 4, Mitchell, nice feather and shape, good carr.; vhc, hc, Middleton; c, Allen. CINN. (5): 1, Jenkins, yell., lovely feather, nice shape, and col., neat head, tail and wings, free action; 2, 4, Allen, buff, tight as boxwood, sound col., nicely pencilled, tight wings and closely folded tail; 3, Bobbett and Wall, nicely feathered, shapely buff, beaten in depth of col.; vhc, Mitchell. CINN. OR GR. HEN (12): 1, Allen, yellow cinn., sweet shape, sound col., nicely pencilled, tight jacket and jaunty carr.; 2, Middleton, sound coloured yell. gr., shapely, rich col., neat head, wings, and tail; 3, Bobbett and Wall, buff cinn., beautiful shape, tight feather, nice col. and pencilling, neat tail, well packed flights; 4, Allen, yell. gr., good shape and feather, sound col., well pencilled, nice head and neat tail; vhc, Evans; hc, Jenkins, P.; c, Jones, J. T. BORD. SELL. (8): 1, Middleton; 2, 4, vhc, hc, Hocking; 3, Jenkins, H.; c, Allen. LIGHT CAN. MULE (6): 1, Lamb, buff Goldf., lightly mkd. on eyes, tail, and rump, plenty of size, grand feather and col., in the pink, a gem; 2, Bath, lovely coloured Greenf., nice shape, feather, and cond.; 3,

Hughes Bros., four-pointed buff Goldf., nice feather, size, and markings, not quite so rich in col. as winner; 4, Mrs. Longden, buff Goldf., mkd. eyes, nice shape and feather, not the size of those above it; vhc, Evans; hc, Jefferys. DARK (16): Grand class: 1, 2, vhc, Crone, Linnet, wonderful col. and qual., rare size and shape, beautifully polished, a real gem, and put down in the pink, 2 jouque Goldf., rich full blaze, grand body col., nice wing bars, well up in size, shapely, in grand order; 3, Rice, J. T., Linnet, good size, shape and feather, beaten in col.; 4, Ford, Mealy Redpoll, rattling size, grandly mkd., nice shape and feather; hc, Jones, S., jun.; c, 15A, no name. A.O. HYB. (3): 1, sp, Crone, well-known Canary-Bullf., wonderful col., rare size and grand feather, a knockout; 2, Lamb, very pretty Goldf.-Siskin, well mkd. and beautifully feathered; 3, Ball, nice feathered Canary-Bullf., good size and shape, loses in col. GOLDF. H.M. (21): 1, sp, Jones, S., jun., rich coloured and well cut blaze, nice chest tanning, good back, bars, and buttons, in grand feather; 2, Jefferys, nice blaze, square, and good col., nice tanning and buttons, hardly the feather; 3, Lewis, square cut blaze, nice back, bars, and buttons; 4, Richards, beautifully barred, nice buttons and tanning; vhc, Prior; hc, Rees; c, Bobbett and Wall. GOLDF. F.M. (12): 1, Lloyd, James, lovely feather, nice bars and buttons, well tanned chest, rich coloured blaze, very steady; 2, Jefferys, well cut expansive blaze, nicely tanned, capital bars and buttons, not quite so steady, close run; 3, Rees, nice blaze, tanning and bars, a bit unsteady; 4, Lewis, nice blaze, bars, and buttons; vhc, Edwards; hc, Bacon; c, Longden. BULLF. (13): 1, Lloyd-James, grand shape, size, and feather, good cap, well delineated wing bars, steady as a rock, well put down; 2, 3, 4, Jones, S., jun., grand trio, all good col., shapely, and in good feather; vhc, Jefferys; hc, Silver; c, Davies and Richards. LINNET (17): 1, Richards, well up in size, lovely col., beautifully pencilled, good shape and grand feather; 2, Dalton, beautifully pencilled, nice shape and feather, not quite the col.; 3, Nicholas, good shape, beautifully feathered, nice whites, close up; 4, Jones, S., jun., good size and shape, grandly pencilled, loses in col.; vhc, hc, Jefferys; c, Davies, Rees. F.M. (20): 1, sp, Longden, Mrs., grand size and shape, full of work, rare col. and cond., steady as a rock, a gem; 2, vhc, Jefferys, lovely feather, nice shape, well pencilled, beaten in size; 3, Dalton, lovely feathered and well pencilled, Norwich shape, good size, nice whites; 4, Nicholas, well pencilled, nice shape and feather; hc, Jones, S., jun.; c, Lewis, SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 2, Heal, well-known Twite, looking grand, full of work, lovely feather, and ground col.; 2, Mealy Redpoll, good shape, well mkd. flanks, nice bib, in grand feather; 3, Bullock, grandly feathered buff Siskin, well laced cap, nice flank markings, nice shape; 4, vhc, Jefferys, Mealy Redpoll, well mkd., nice feather; hc, Prior; c, Silver. LESSER REDPOLL (14): Grand class: 1, hc, Jefferys, a regular little swell, lovely col. and markings, nice skull and bib, beautifully burnished; 2, Ford, another good one, nice feather, markings, and col.; 3, Heal, good shape, and feather, well mkd. flanks, close up; 4, Lloyd, James, good shape and size, nice skull, well mkd.; vhc, Nicholas; c, Lucas Bros. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (8): 1, Whishaw, Miss, gem of a Bramble, profuse spangling, grand col., feather, and finish, lovely shape, wins well; 2, 4, hc, Jefferys, Chaffinch, nice col. and feather, grand whites, 4 nicely spangled Bramble, loses in col. to the winner; 3, Dalton, nice feathered Chaffinch; c, Heal. GREENE (10): 1, Longden, Mrs., rare size and shapely yell., grand skull, feather, and bars; 2, Lloyd-James, lovely shaped buff, capital feather and bars, shows mealing to perfection; 3, Holborow, fed yell., capital bars, beautifully feathered, not the size of the winner, still a good one; 4, vhc, Jefferys, good size, and shape, nice bars and feather; hc, Prior; c, Dalton. A.O. SMALL (8): 1, 2, vhc, Jones, S., jun., yellow Bunting, grand size and shape, lovely col., good v and cheek markings, a grand one, 2 well mkd., and good coloured and feathered Corn Bunting; 3, Jefferys, lovely Meadow Bunting, grand feather and markings, nice exhibit; 4, Clay, Hawfinch, nice col., well barred, capital feather; hc, Dalton; c, Lloyd-James. HEN (7): 1, Heal, grand Corn Bunting, well mkd., beautiful feather; 2, Ford, Hawfinch, nice soft col., good bib and bars, in grand feather; 3, Rees, Bullf., good shape and col., nice cap and bars, in good form; 4, Holborow, yell. Greenf., lovely feather, well up in col., nice shape; vhc, Bullock; hc, Davies and Richards; c, Lloyd, James. SOFTBILL (4): 1, sp, 3, Crawford Bros., Waxwing, grand feather and col., nice wing tipplings, lovely cond.; 3, Fieldfare, a gem, grand col., size, feather, and markings; 2, Burrows, lovely coloured and feathered Redstart, in grand order; 4, Jones, S., jun., Cornish Chough, lustrous col., good legs and bill. FOR., SMALL (8): 1, 2, 3, 4, vhc, hc, Longden, Mrs., Queen Whydah, Violet-headed Gouldians, all in grand col. and feather, beautifully shown; c, Price. SELL., 20s. (11): 1, Jefferys; 2, vhc, Wotton; 3, Lewis; 4, Edwards; vhc, Owen; hc, Jones; c, Neuer. 12s. 6d. (9): 1, Jenkins, D.; 2, Price; 3, Powell; 4, Edwards; vhc, Neuer; hc, Wotton; c, Owen.

OLDHAM C.B.A.

Annual show, November 14, St. Domingo Street Schools, an excellent showroom. Some fine exhibits were on view, including recent all-England winners. Mr. B. Barrae judged and seemed to give general satisfaction. From the prize list sent we gather that the principal winners were: LIZ.: Hampshire, Fitton, Hardy. LANCES: Fitton, Hardy. CRESTS: Furniss, NOR.: Dickenson, Sharples, Furniss, Whyatt, Burke, Dazell. YORKS.: Burke, Dickenson, Shelmerdine, Sharples, Walkden, Darlington, Addison, Massey, Wadsworth, Wilkinson. A.O.V.: Wilkinson, Cope, Sharples. MULES: Addison, Sharples. BRIT.: Burke, Wadsworth. Mr. Sharples won medal most points (115); Hampshire, cup; section specials, Lances., Hardy; Nor. and A.O.V., Sharples; Yerks, Burke.

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BOWBURN C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 21 to 23, Wheatsheaf Inn, Mr. F. W. Swan judged.

FARNWORTH C.B.S.

Annual show, Nov. 21, Bird 'th' Hand Hotel, Mr. J. Hopkins (Bolton) judged.

CHESHUNT F. AND F.S.

Third annual show, Cheshunt Hall, Nov. 19, with a nice entry and good quality birds.

NOR. YELL. CL., ETC. (4): 1, 2, sp, 2nd best, Medley; 3, res, Mrs. Elliott.

BOURNEMOUTH C.B.S.

Twenty-third annual show Central Hall, Nov. 10 and 11. The entry was extremely good, the total being 321.

HAMILTON.

This show held Dec. 12 was specially got up in aid of the Belgian and local war relief funds, and took place in the Town Hall, Hamilton.

The catalogue slips received give principal winners as: SCOTCH FANCY, Higgins, Wilson, Kennedy.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

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Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

- (1)—All questions must be clearly written in ink (or typewritten) on one side of paper, and conclude with either the correct name or a pseudonym.

CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

GROWTH ON WING (Miss Dorothy Rose).—The growth you describe is an abnormal feather, formed by an accretion of feather-forming material when the quill was forming during the moult.

NORWICH COCK WHEEZING (H. Daw).—See that the bird is quite free from direct cold draughts, or sudden and extreme fluctuations of temperature.

ROLLER NOT SINGING (A.T.G.).—You do not say whether the bird has sang at all since you received it. If not, then you should have returned it within the time allowed for approval.

Singing Contests.

Announcements of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

CASTLEFORD.

Linnet contest, George and Dragon, Bridge St., Dec. 12, time singing, 1, 2, S. Morley; 3, Ratcliff.

KIPPAX.

Open sing, Dec. 5, 12 entered. 1, Livingside; 2, 3, Potter. Dec. 12, open sing at headquarters, Commercial Hotel.

PONTEFRAC.

Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Dec. 12. Twenty-one entered. Three minutes time singing: 1, Beard, 95; 2, 3, Jones, 81, 80.

LEEDS.

Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skippers Arms, Basingthorpe, Dec. 5.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club quality singing match, Plasterers' Arms, Skinner-lane, Dec. 13; 24 birds faced the judges.

A special Linnet match will be held Christmas Day; also same night a championship Roller Canary match.

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summer rape. In addition give separately every second day for a fortnight half a teaspoonful of and two of cod liver oil emulsion mixed in it and crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry.

DIFFICULTY IN EVACUATING (E. J. H.).—I am inclined to think that the bird is in an overfed condition, and that its trouble is mainly due to accumulations of fat.

QUESTIONS OF MATING (A. L. T.).—(1) No, the Goldfinch is not too old to mate up with the Roller hen provided he is in good health and active.

NO USE IN LEGS (G. H. P.).—Without much more definite information as to the probable origin or cause of the bird's trouble I could not even hazard a guess as to what is wrong.

BREATHES WITH DIFFICULTY (H. A. P.).—I'm afraid the bird is in a much too advanced stage of bronchitis to admit of any cure.

CANARY QUERISTS

should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3/4); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries."

not necessarily overheated, and do not hang it in or near a window, near burning lights in the evenings, nor high up near the ceiling.

DIET FOR OUTDOOR AVIARY YORKSHIRES (G. R.).—As a staple diet give a mixture of three parts, by measure, of canary to one part summer rape in unlimited quantities.

SAMPLE OF SEED (Cymro).—The sample consists wholly of charlock, with just a few stray grains of other weeds, docks, etc.

MAKES SQUEAKY NOISE (B. K.).—You have done right in moving the bird to a more comfortable temperature for the time being, but do not overheat it, and do not hang it near or over burning lights in the evenings, high up near the ceiling, nor too near the fireplace, where the temperature is apt to fluctuate a good deal.

YOUNG YORKSHIRE BLIND (L. Watson).—Sorry, but the bird is suffering from cataract, for which there is absolutely no cure.

AN IRRITABLE SUBJECT (Bertram).—Thoroughly examine the cage, probing any cracks or open joints with a pin on to a sheet of white paper, to see if any red mites are discoverable.

to bathe as freely as it likes. In addition to its staple diet give every third day for a month a piece of bread and milk slightly dusted with flowers of sulphur and then sprinkled with soft sugar.

WORTH MANY DEAD ONES (Villager).—Thanks for report. Glad to know that the advice given you has been so successful.

A WHEEZY YORKSHIRE (A. E. Lloyd).—Keep the bird in a comfortable temperature, but do not overheat it, and see that it is not exposed to cold direct draughts, and do not hang it near or over burning lights in the evenings, or high up near the ceiling.

HOW TO FEED (W. H.).—An elaborate seed mixture is not to be commended for a regular staple diet for any caged birds. It not only precludes the birds having any real change, but they are very apt to pick out just those seeds, not always the most wholesome, which they like best, and waste the rest.

FEAR OF CONTAGION (X. Y. Z.).—No, asthma is not contagious, though the predisposition to it may certainly be inherited, so, although you may set your fears at rest on the first score, it is not advisable to breed with birds so affected.

ABOUT AN AVIARY (A. W. K.).—Beyond the question as to the number of birds you could keep in the proposed aviary, there is no other definite question, and I cannot see what it is you wish to know particularly.

MAKES RATTLING SOUND (Norwich Canary).—The probability is that the exciting causes of the condition have not been removed; hence the failure of your own treatment.

TO TIGHTEN PLUMAGE (Uncle Jim).—(1) Give the Yorkshire cock half a teaspoonful of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it and sprinkled with maw seed every second day for a fortnight or so.

A SEXTETTE (Hopful).—(1) Please note that you should not write queries concerning Mules on the same sheet of paper as Canary questions, as they have to go to different persons.

(4) Yes, it is quite possible to breed Mules from a hen that has not previously been used for breeding. (5) Any of the Finch tribe that you fancy is suitable—Goldfinch, Linnet, or Greenfinch are the most commonly used. It is not essential for them to be home-mated, but in the case of the Greenfinch it is advisable. (6) Assuming that you intend using Canary hens the ordinary Canary breeding cages are all that you require.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.—Continued.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

BIRDS FOR AN AVIARY (H. Daw).—I am glad to hear you did so well with your Greenfinch; he should be a useful bird for breeding from either with a Canary or another British bird. Your aviary is not large enough to keep any number of birds in with any success, as there is nothing so detrimental to them as overcrowding. If you had a cock Goldfinch, Bullfinch, Siskin and Linnets that would be quite sufficient. Have all cock birds, for if you put in only a single hen you will be sure to have trouble. You should obtain your stock as soon as possible now, and feed them for a week or so on a fair allowance of soaked seeds such as teazle, rape, and a little canary; at the same time supply them with ordinary mixed seeds, a little cracked sunflower, and wild seeds which you can procure in packet form from most good corn dealers.

EXHIBITING A WAXING (D. Robinson).—A Waxing is not so large as a Song Thrush and could not be exhibited in a class provided for Thrush and larger birds. If you have another class for any species small British, that will be the one for him. At large shows there are generally classes for different species of Finches, then for Warblers and Thrushes, and the Waxings come in with the Any Other Species Insectivorous Birds. The Waxing makes a very nice exhibition bird; he should be shown in a good cage and be in perfect feather, or he will not stand much chance of coming out on top.

STORING RAIN WATER (British Bird).—I gather from your letter that you are using rain water for drinking purposes; if this is the case it should be perfectly fresh, and filtered for the purpose. It contains a certain quantity of impurities, some of which decompose in time. I would therefore advise you to use boiled water for drinking purposes, and rain water for bathing. If filtered and bottled it can be kept for a couple of weeks, after that period it would be better to boil it. The difficulty is that birds will frequently drink a little

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before bathing. It is a good plan to give them fresh drinking water before giving the bath, as when this is done birds invariably have a drink at once. This is a proof that birds like their drink fresh, and most fanciers give it twice daily, particularly during the summer.

PAIRING FOR HYBRID BREEDING (P. H. C.).—The best way to mate with your four birds is as follows: Cock Goldfinch and hen Canary; cock Canary and hen Bullfinch. This way you are almost certain of obtaining some Goldfinch-Canary Mules, and it is just possible you may be fortunate enough to get a Canary-Bullie. It is rather unfortunate that your Canaries are of the Yorkshire type, as these do not breed quite such shapely young ones as the Norwich, but as songsters they are equally good. You had better pair them off and let them fly together during the winter, but you must be careful in introducing the Canary to the Bullfinch hen. It will be safer to hang them side by side for a week or so, so that the hen Bullie gets quite used to seeing him. She may then take to him when they are put together, otherwise if she takes a dislike to him you will be unable to do anything with them.

SEED SAMPLE (Dodd).—The sample of seed sent is not at all a bad one, and could be used for any of the Finches, giving a spoonful two or three times a week. You had better carefully watch the effects of it as there is evidently a little seed among it that is not properly ripened or gathered. I have examined it carefully but cannot detect which it is, the majority is quite good although the test of smelling tells me it is not quite perfect. (2) The Chough is not a very difficult bird to keep in captivity. He should have a good big cage or aviary to exercise in. His food should consist of poultry meal with a spoonful of meat meal mixed in it, and the whole soaked in hot water, vary this with "Melox" treated in the same way, occasionally give a feed of insectile food as used for more delicate birds. He should also have scraps from the table and a little minced meat, either cooked or raw, but not much of the latter, and what he has should be perfectly sweet. Insects should be offered, such as snails, worms, caterpillars, beetles, etc., and occasionally a little of the smaller shell fish. These are part of the natural food which he would gather along the sea shore.

LINNET IN MOULT (Billy).—If your Linnets had a proper moult in the autumn and has now started again he is evidently in a soft moult, due to your keeping him in either a draughty position or where there is a fire and gas going. I wish you had told me how you are feeding him, what you call your ordinary Linnets seed may be anything. Make up the following and give him as a staple food: Canary 3 parts, teazle 2 parts, rape and linseed 1 part each. Give a little cracked hemp twice a week, and a spoonful of wild seed mixture 3 times a week. This you should be able to purchase from some good corn merchant, put up in packets by well known firms. It should contain several kinds, including gold of pleasure, dandelion, thistle, etc. He should also have a daily spray of watercress, shepherd's purse or chickweed, but not in frosty weather. If you are unable to procure these try him with a small piece of sweet apple. Our booklet on the Linnets would be useful to you, price 2d. post free. (2) The feathers round the thighs of your Bullfinch are a fault that you cannot alter; they generally show it most when excited or disturbed. In some cases after a house-moult a bird will lose it, or partly so. Let him bathe himself if he will, and give a large cage.

BIRDS IN AVIARY (E. H. S.).—The trouble with your birds is that the seed you are giving them is not suitable to all. I would advise you to catch some of them up and treat them separately. Give the Canary and Mule bread soaked in hot milk, with a little soft sugar sprinkled on it every other

day for a week, giving very little seed excepting maw. Follow this up with a small teaspoonful of chemical food in the drinking water, using boiled water. Feed on plain sound canary and a little rape, and mixed seeds twice a week. Treat the Goldfinch as follows: Mix canary and teazle 3 parts of each, hemp 2 parts, linseed 1 part, summer rape half part; this will be the stock mixture. Give sunflower daily, say half doz. mixed seeds. Make another mixture of niger and maw and give a small teaspoonful twice a week; on other days a little good wild seed, which is especially put up for Finches. Give the chemical food as advised for the canary. The Siskin should be fed on canary, rape and teazle, and a little hemp and maw occasionally, and plenty of green food, but be sure it is free from frost. For the Chaffinch mix canary and teazle 4 parts, summer rape and linseed 1 part each. Give sunflower seed daily, a little hemp occasionally, and any insects you can procure, also a spray of chickweed, groundsel, shepherd's purse, etc. You should also give a little germinated seed to the Chaffinch and Siskin. With this treatment your birds should improve, but I would advise you to send for our Nutshell booklets on the different Finches; they contain much more information than I can give you in these short answers.

PAIRING REDPOLL AND BULLFINCH (Robin).—The fact of your being unsuccessful last year in your breeding operation is not an unusual occurrence. There is a good deal of the element called luck in hybrid production, and you may next season strike a happy vein. Now, the question is: Are you sure that your Redpoll is large enough? You do not say if he is a Lesser or a Mealy; if the former, he must be exceptionally large to be able to successfully fertilise eggs with a Siberian hen Bullie. If you have any doubt about this, you had better give her a fresh partner next season. Why not try the Canary you mention? If you do, you should run them together at once, taking the Redpoll away altogether. I would remove him to another room, let her be by herself for a week, and then hang the Canary close to her. You could then run him in and try; you may have a difficulty, as some hens are very spiteful, and unless they take to their partner give him a bad time. I do not think you will be wise in waiting for Siberian Goldies.

FINCH QUESTIONS (Bunting).—I think the following mixture would suit your birds better than the one you are using. Canary and teazle three parts each, summer rape and linseed one part each, with a little hemp and sunflower on alternate days. The Finch mixture you mention should be given separately about three times a week. Privet berries can be kept quite fresh for a long time. Collect them with a good length of stalk, and put the ends in the ground as though you were planting them, pressing the ground firmly round them. They should be protected by having a piece of wire-netting stretched over and round them, or you can keep them indoors in water or damp sand, but not in a dry atmosphere or they shrivel up. (2) A cock Greenfinch would be the most likely partner to mate with your hen Goldie, although the hybrid produced from the Linnets or Siskin would be more valuable. Whichever you decide upon I would advise you to get as early as possible, and let them fly together during the winter months.

SHOW CAGE FOR REDWING (E. J. Southwood).—Your show cage for a Redwing need not be very large, as the bird is not in it many days at any time, and a cumbersome cage is always a difficulty at a show, besides being somewhat troublesome to get there. A good size would be 18 inches long, 14 inches high, and 10 inches from back to front. Have a 3/4-inch front rail, as it prevents the floor covering from being scattered. Place the perches about six inches apart; this will make an easy jump and allow plenty of room from the sides, so that he will not be likely to damage his plumage. There is more diversity of opinion respecting the best colour for the backs of cages which are intended to show off the Greenfinch and the Bunting than any other birds. The Yellow Bunting contains so much yellow in its plumage that I think its complementary primary colour, which is blue, should predominate. Therefore paint it this colour, inclining to a light shade, and if your blue is too raw in tone, soften it by mixing a small quantity of red with it. Mix a little on a piece of glass first before adding it to the bulk. When you have given the cage one coat try the bird in it before finishing; you may decide that it requires a little alteration. When painting out the interior of a cage never use a colour that is startling, it attracts more attention than the bird, whereas the bird should be first, and the colour at the back simply put there to show it off to the best advantage.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S. AILING AMAZON (R.P.).—Cease giving the milk-sop. Soak one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia into the boiled maize every other day, so long as the voidings are not watery-loose, when the latter occurs only give the magnesia once a week. Put half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphates in the drinking water every other day for the next month at least. Put a little honey and borax in the bird's mouth daily for a similar period. This can easily be done from the end of a stick, but the latter should be well cleansed, or a fresh one used for each occasion. As regards the dietary—seed mixture, boiled maize and ripe fruit, which with such extras as nuts, dry biscuit, crust of stale household bread and plain cake, should maintain an amply varied menu. Cuttlebone and grit (not sand) must be continuously supplied. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever.

IN BAD PLUMAGE (T.).—In dealing with such a case I should ignore, for the time being, what is usually considered the orthodox diet. Give them a generous one, including gentles and meal worms, also milk-sop as well as the usual menu. Prepare the sop so: put several pieces (about size of walnuts) of sponge cake into a small dish, drop on to each a little cod liver oil emulsion and then pour over the whole as much boiling milk as the sponge cake will absorb. You can, of course, use Nestlé's milk and boiling water in lieu of the fresh milk; in fact, the latter is preferable. With advantage the moistened sponge cake may be lightly dusted with flour of sulphur, but you must consult the birds' taste, and if they refuse the sop so treated you must supply it without the sulphur. I should also give half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphates in the drinking water every other day. The bowels should be kept moving quite freely by an occasional laxative (I prefer Dinneford's magnesia to any other) as required.

BENGALESE, ETC. (F. Giles).—The Bengalese are not prolific breeders, many eggs are spoiled by both birds sitting at once and sitting very irregularly, but are you sure you have a pair; have you examined any of the eggs to ascertain if they are fertile? Two hens will nest and lay and incubate and repeat the operation *ad infinitum*. If you have a true pair you will ultimately get some young,

but in any case you will get many more eggs than young. Give them a little green food, lettuce leaf now, groundsel, seedling grass, etc., in the summer. As regards the Budgerigars, these breed more freely in the aviary when several pairs are kept together, but they should certainly breed with you in the cage, though they may take longer to settle down to reproducing their kind in the cage than they do in the aviary. Budgerigars do not use any nesting material, so their nest-box must have a concave bottom to prevent the eggs rolling about on the bare wood and spoiling. A small barrel or coco-nut husk is the best receptacle for this species. Get our Nutshell "Budgerigars," 2d. post free, from our Manager; it will help you. Queries must be sent through CAGE BIRDS and not to me direct. See rules.

BENGAL PARRAKEETS (R.L.).—As you have "Foreign Birds for Beginners," if you read what is written about Parakeets (pages 55 to 60) and apply this generally to your birds they will thrive and do well. However, to be quite clear here is a good seed mixture: One quart each canary, white millet and oats; one pint each paddy rice (often called chicken rice), hemp and sunflower seeds, and half a pint of shelled monkey nuts—well mix the whole and let your birds have a continuous supply. Grit, cuttlebone and water must also be continually in the cage. Do not give tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps, or any kind of animal food whatever. Supply a little ripe fruit daily, any kind it will take, and you can supply plain biscuit, dry crust of household bread, piece plain cake and any kind of nut it fancies, but do not give more than one Brazil nut per diem. In the summer it can have garden weeds to pick over as green food. It will tend to the bird's welfare if you keep a good sized piece of a natural branch fastened to one side of the cage for it to cut up and amuse itself with. Bengals are robust birds, and the temperature of any living room will suffice, any part of it, but they must not be subjected to draught.

GREY PARROT (H. E. Fuller).—You might easily make this bird's diet a little more varied. Your best course will be to send 2d. to our Manager for the "Grey Parrot" Nutshell, which will make all clear to you. Feather pulling is more or less a bad habit and very difficult to eradicate. Spray the bird once a week with a tepid quassia solution, but keep strictly out of cool winds and draught till it is dry. Also paint the bare patch with Spratt's Pennacura two or three times weekly for a time, but do not use sufficient to grease the surrounding plumage. Give it one teaspoonful of Dinneford's magnesia in the drinking water every fourth day, and on the intervening days put half a teaspoonful of syrup of hypophosphates in the water. Do not give any tea, coffee or milk sops, table scraps (dry potato will do no harm), or any kind of animal food whatever. Keep it interested and occupied as much as possible; also fasten a good sized piece of a tree branch against one side of its cage for it to cut up and amuse itself with. Report progress in about 2 months' time.

DIAMOND-NECKED DOVES (Distressed).—I had not previously come across this name. It is most commonly sold as the Necklaced Dove, and its scientific name is *Turtur tigrinus*. It ranges over Burma, Malay Peninsula and Sunda Islands, and is a winter visitor as far south as Timor and the Moluccas. There is a near species, the Spotted Dove (*T. suratensis*) which is very similar and is

FOREIGN BIRD QUERISTS

should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Aviaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Aradavants," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

sometimes sold as the former by English dealers. The value of the Necklaced Dove is 12/6 to 15/- per pair. They breed pretty freely in captivity and are hardy, i.e., may be wintered in an outdoor aviary. As regards diet: canary and millet and almost any kind of small corn, e.g., dari, wheat, small maize, and also hemp. Flint-grit must be provided, and it is good policy to keep a piece of rock salt in the Dovesy. A little crushed biscuit and monkey (pea) nuts should also be provided.

AMAZON PARROT (X.Y.Z.).—Pleased to hear of such a happy result, but it would be well to continue the treatment a little longer. For the more recent trouble keep the bowels moving quite freely by occasional doses (one teaspoonful in the drinking water) of Dinneford's magnesia, but you must not keep up a state of chronic diarrhoea. Dissolve three grains of bromide of potassium in a little syrup, stir this into two tablespoonfuls of water, this to form the only drinking water for the day, at any rate till it has all been consumed; supply this on three successive days. If there is any indication in the bird's demeanour of an attack coming on give a dose of the bromide at once and another on the following day. By watching and tending the bird in this manner the attacks should soon cease, and if there are occasional relapses keep a few powders of the bromide by you and give as required—the trouble will ultimately cease. Never permit the bowels to become at all constipated.

FEATHER PULLING (M. D. Feather Picker).—I much fear the feather pulling has become a vice with your bird, and that cure is next to impossible. You must still keep on with the treatment advised, as it is quite evident the bird's condition is anything but sound. As regards diet, a thorough change will be beneficial, send 2d. to our manager for Nutshell, "The Grey Parrot," and diet your bird exactly as given therein—the other contents also will help you. Get a bottle of Spratt's "Pennacura," and lightly anoint the bare parts therewith, but do not use sufficient to run among and grease the plumage. Bathe the foot with Friar's Balsam and thoroughly cleanse it, then paint with Friar's Balsam to check bleeding. Of course, when a bird's system is upset, it is a work of time correcting and a changed diet, etc., will not give immediate results. You may mitigate the evil of feather pulling, but I fear you will not permanently cure it.

WHAT PARRAKEET? (Constant Reader).—Your bird is the Yellow-naped Parakeet, which is also known as the Yellow-collared, and in Australia, among the colonists, as the "Twenty-eight," its call note being so construed. At least half the bulk of its seed mixture should consist of canary and white millet, the other half to consist of the other seeds you name. You must also supply fruit, and if it cares for it, it can have pieces of biscuit or a stale crust, but it will be better without the sopped bread. Grit and cuttlebone must be regularly supplied, also

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Accrington C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Crown Hotel, 8. Final arrangements for members' show and to take entries for same.—D. Harwood.

Bolton C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Joiners' Arms, 8. Entries for members' show.—J. Gerard.

Bingley O.S.—Dec. 19, Assembly Rooms. Members' show; birds staged 2.45. Judge, Mr. H. Sutcliffe, Shipley.—H. Shaw.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Victoria Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, Mr. J. Bailey. Entries Friday night, 8 to 10.—H. Bryant.

Bowling B.F.A.—Dec. 19, Napoleon Hotel, Wakefield Road. Show, stage at 3. Judge, T. Bennett, Lidgett Green. Last show of the year.—J. Nichol.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 19, Flying Dutchman, 8. Final arrangements for Boxing Day show.—W. Helliwell.

Denton C.B.S.—Dec. 22, Silver Spring, 8. Schedules ready for amalgamated show.—W. Redfern.

Derby C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Normanton Hotel, 7.45. Paying prize-money.—F. W. Jordan.

Ecclehill C.B.A.—Dec. 19, Fountain Inn, 2.30. Last members' show of season; judge, Mr. H. J. Clibbenden, Bradford. Birds staged 2.30.—S. Witcock.

Glasgow Queen's Park C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Marie Stuart Halls, 8. Presentation of cups and specials.—R. Hoggie.

Great Horton O.S.—Dec. 26, Butchers' Arms, 3. Also members' show; last show for cups and sectional specials. Judge, Mr. J. Thornton, Alkerton. Birds staged 3.—J. Hoiroyd.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Ware's Rooms, 7. Arrangements for conveyance to the Federation show, New Year's Day.—Wm. Waraker.

Hanley C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Mayer Street, Hanley, 8. Arrangements for New Year's members' show. Two new members to be made, and arrangements to buy the cups.—C. E. Beckett.

Huddersfield O.S.—Dec. 21, headquarters, 8. Arrangements for tea and prize distribution. Dec. 19, annual members' winter show; judge, Mr. M. Peel.—A. Lawford.

Ilkerton C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Nag's Head, South Street, 7. Show bus.—G. Siddown.

Ilkley C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Show matters, and to receive all specials for schedule. Sec. will not accept after this date.—D. John.

Lochgelly C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Bay Horse Hotel, 7. Members and past members cordially invited. Please give names to R. Muir, Sec., Station Road, Lochgelly.

Manchester and N. Counties O.S.—Dec. 21, Deansgate Hotel, 8. Nominations of officers for 1915, and January show business.—F. Wilkinson.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Alhambra Club Room, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Gen. bus.; amalgamation of classes. Entries annual show, Dec. 21.—A. W. Newton.

Pudsey, Stanningley C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Fleece Hotel, 8. Entries for show, 8 to 10.30. Show Dec. 26. Birds staged 10 a.m. Judge, Mr. H. J. Chittenden. Show open until 4. Friends invited.—H. Raistrick.

Porth and Rhondda Valley C. and C.B.S.—Dec. 19, headquarters, 7. Show bus. and matters of importance. Please bring cont. cards so as to settle up before show.—J. S. Jones.

Sale C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Excelsior Club, Tatton Road, 8. Result of open show. Members please bring unsold tickets.—H. Whitney.

Shipley O.S.—Dec. 19, Victoria Hotel. Members' show; judge, Mr. A. Cooper, Gillington, Bradford.—E. Grange.

South Moor C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Mr. Oxley's Hotel, 7. Final show business and taking of entries. Subs. due.—G. F. Bates.

Spens Valley C.B.S.—Dec. 21, Commercial Hotel, Cleckheaton, 8. Entries for Boxing Day show. Arrangement of special prizes.—S. B. Grayshon.

Stratford and E. London F.S.—Dec. 23, 8. Final business re annual, Jan. 7.—A. Wasey.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Dec. 19, headquarters, 7.30. (1) Show officials, watchman, packers, feeders, etc.; (2) bill and tickets given out; (3) other show business. It is necessary that every member should make a special effort to be present.—J. Peacock.

Upper Rhondda C.B.S.—Dec. 23, Cardiff Arms, 8. Show business.—H. Watts.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 19, Blue Bell Hotel, 2.30. Members' show; judge, W. Richmond, Rodley. Sandiford's medal for hottest bird. Entries Friday night, 8 to 11. Subs. due.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wood Green F.F.A.—Dec. 22, Adult School, High Road, 8.30.—T. Callegari.

water, and when convenient, give a little lettuce, during the spring and summer months, flowering and seeding grass, and other weeds will be appreciated.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

A. Smith.—We do not know of a book dealing with the subject you mention.

C. M.—Make your "remonstrance" direct to the secretary and committee of your society; it is not of public interest. We should have thought you would have been only too pleased to support your officials in their effort to "keep things alive" on the exhibition side of the Fancy.

Rev. G. H. Raynor.—Accept our thanks for the cutting sent.

H. W. Cook.—It was thought to be quite possible that the fixture could be held at another venue.

POST MORTEMS.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. G.D. analysis, 21s. Subjects for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

L. King.—Patty disease of the liver was responsible for the bird's death, and the symptoms displayed during life. The disease was too far advanced for treatment to have been of any use. Next time, in the early stage of the disease try acidulated water, hydrochloric acid, five drops to two ounces of water daily. This is a very useful remedy, and easily administered.

A. Strickland.—The bird suffered from bronchitis in a sub-acute form. In other respects it was quite healthy, all its organs being otherwise quite sound, and its general condition good.

EXCHANGE large tin breeding mealworms, thousands, for good pair of rollers, or offers; birds first: Scott, 16, Morden Grove, Lewisham, S.E. (1940)

WHAT offers in first-class Norwich or Yorkshires for a splendid harp, 62 strings, cost 55/-, sell 25/-; approval: Bunce, 83, Copsewood-rd., Watford. (1942)

FIVE pair Canaries, perfect condition, £1, worth double; offers; trade stocks, gramophone, cycle, anything; China Stores, Ferry Bridge, Yorkshire. (1943)

SIX pairs Norwich Canaries, pair Budgerigars, lot £3 5s.; exchange gold albert, or gramophone and records: Porter, 8, Devonshire-st., Worksop, Notts. (1947)

EXCHANGE, 9 hole bagatelle table, 27/6; 2 dozen cylinder records for Canaries, or anything useful; offers: Massingbam, 213, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds. (1947)

TOLLER Canaries and cages, boys' steam engine, railway, air gun, camera, silver watch, flute, exchange: Bentley, 35, Broughton-ave., Blackpool. (1950)

MR. MALPASS will give gent's new gold-cased Hunter lever watch for cock and 2 hens, Yorkshires, or cock and 2 hens Norwich: 1, Farranden-rd., Sheffield. (1942)

EXCHANGE good rough-coated Whippet bitch, 12 months, for British show cages, or good hen Canaries, or sell 15/-; W. Fenton, 6, Little Corn-st., Bath. (1940)

TWO pink-eyed Sib hens, cock H.M. Goldfinch, three-compartment breeding cage; exchange rollers; approval both ways: Worrell, Church-st., Annfield Plain. (1947)

EDISON Standard phonograph, 3ft. brass horn, 44 records, sell £2; or exchange Canaries and breeding cages: Hume, Stanley Villa, Vowler-rd., Laindon, Essex. (1950)

DOUBLE-BARRELED muzzle-loading gun, shot-bag, powder-flask, excellent condition; what offers hen Canaries or ferrets: Hopper, Twells-st., Nottingham. (1951)

NOTICE, birds of any description taken in exchange for cages or loose fronts, any size made; state offers and wants: Leigh, 37, Everton-terrace, Liverpool. (1948)

ROSE trees, latest varieties, in exchange for boots, size 9, black leggings, suit length, razor or anything useful: Olphin, 69, Willowbrook-rd., Leicester. (1938)

EXCHANGE pair of strong boots, size 10, steel soles and heels, everlasting wear, nearly new, 7/6, for Yorkshire cock Canary: Geo. Isherwood, Lead-mills, Mold. (1940)

PAIR magnet telephone call bells, perfect condition, cost 40/-, sell 15/-; exchange 2 April Buff Leghorn pullets and cockerel: Benn, Boroughgate, Otley, Yorks. (1944)

EXCHANGE (5x4) Eastman Kodak camera for 2 pairs Norwich or sable Pom bitch; sell, 21/-; worth double; approval, deposit: Ainsworth, 51, College-rd., Norwich. (1937)

EXCHANGE smooth-haired fox Terrier bitch, eight months old, well marked, for two Roller shutter cages, or cock Canary singing: Lay, 89, Byron, Northampton. (1942)

2 WORDS 1d. THROUGHOUT

is the rate charged for all advertisements not relating to birdkeeping. The following heading are available: Aquarium; Business; Cats; Cavies; Clothing; Cycles; Dress; Ferrets; Garden; Household; Kennel; Mice; Musical Instruments; Natural History; Photography; Pigeons; Pigs; Poultry; Rabbits; Sport; Stamps; and Various.

EDISON Standard phonograph, horn, stand, carrying case, with 48 records, £2 lot; exchange gramophone records or Canaries: Percival, 46, Burgess-st., Great Grimsby. (1943)

WHAT offers, 1 Klito pocket camera, cost 50/-; 16 double Columbia Rena records, cost £2, or sell for 45/-; no cards: W. Bryan, 40, Trafalgar-rd., Hightown, Wrexham. (1943)

SPLENDID black and tan Airedale dog pup, 6 months, by Primrose Regent, 25/-; or exchange a good red and grey Parrot: A. Hall, 27, Derby-avenue, Weaste, Manchester. (1940)

SELL or exchange mandoline and 8 10in. double-sided records, lot 17/-, or offers, violin preferred; yours first; approval both ways: Mrs. Hoeler, 21, Box Mill, Halstead, Essex. (1940)

SELL pair of pictures, 6/-; new pair football boots, size 7, 8/6; new hollow-ground razor, 3/-; exchange Canaries: Owen, Pottery House, Ferry Bridge, Yorkshire. Offers. (1943)

WILL give pair large warm woollen blankets, not rubbish, suitable house, Navy, Army, for 3 good cock Canaries, full song, no hens; stamp: B. Soanes, 92, Bevan-st., Lowestoft. (1944)

SALE or exchange, good dog, crossed between Collie and Sheepdog, for 2 Norwich cocks, or sell, 10/-; birds first: Apply, W. Chatfield, Phoenix Cottages, Great Bookham, Surrey. (1938)

EXCHANGE rabbit net, 50 yards, as new, 8/6; splendid muzzle loader, 8/6, perfect condition; all round clever Lurcher, 20 months, only 12/6; bargains: Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham. (1946)

GLOBE typewriter, good as new, cost £2 10s., half-price; Parrot cage, good as new, cheap; Dalli fuel stove, suit aviary, 10/-; exchange Canaries or British birds: Neilson, Bank-placc, Kilmarnock. (1937)

PAIR of nearly new butcher's or grocer's scales, complete, with weights, Government 1914 stamped, sell £1 15/-, cost 8/10/-; exchange: Harry Smith, 17, Trindle-rd., Dudley, Worcestershire. (1943)

ENGLISH concertina, 48 keys, as new cost £6 6/- sell £3, or part exchange common Canaries; also 30-key Anglo, good condition, sell 25/-; exchange British or offers: West, 519, Harrow-rd., London. (1941)

GOOD selection of 38 10in. double, 6 single-sided gramophone records, 26/-, or part exchange Canaries, or offers considered; stamp for reply: Arthur Downs, 4, Phillips-st., Hulme, Manchester. (1949)

BIRD-CATCHING outfit, comprising 1 store cage, 6 call cages, drinkers, pair hand-made nets, pull line, poles, pegs, carrying bag complete, sell 15/-, or exchange gent's cycle; apply: H. Rowe, 93, St. John's-st., Peterboro'. (1940)

WILL exchange one pair of lady's best boots of one dress length, or suit length, for 2 cock Canaries in song, or 5 hens, or 3 pairs of Bullfinches, or one cock and 3 hen Bantams: Cummings, 4, Richmond-terrace, Leeds. (1943)

BRAND new Accordion, steel reeds, cost £3 5/-, sell £1; field-mounted Skylark, grand shop attraction, 5/6; approval, deposit; exchange baby linen, Canaries, anything useful: Harvey, No. 6, Trinity-st., West Bromwich. (1945)

THREE class Roller cocks, 15/6; 2 pair class Yorkshires, 18/-; 8 hens, 13/-; 2 mulling Linnets, 6/-; Yorkshire bitch, 25/-; exchange lot for Pekinese bitch; offers separate: Mathers, 36, Willfield-rd., Preston, Lancashire. (1947)

ADVERTISERS SAVE MONEY

By reading the notice on page 326 this week.

Owing to the Christmas Holidays, "CAGE BIRDS" will be on sale next week on Thursday, Dec. 24, and must go to press one day earlier, so all advertisements MUST reach us on Monday, or FIRST POST TUESDAY, Dec. 22, AT LATEST. BE IN TIME.

WYANDOTTES, March hatched, also 1913 pure White; Orplingtons, 1913, pure White; Anconas, 1914, laying; Houdans, 1914; exchange Toys, Yorkshire Canaries or sell cheap; giving up: Settlely Cottage, Brockenhurst, Hants. (1947)

12-BORE central fire, single breech-loading gun, £1; also 10-bore muzzle loader (by Brooks), 12/-, both good killers; exchange Canaries, Goldfinches, or cage-moulded Linnets: Ward, 40, Greyhound-rd., Kensal Rise, Willesden. (1944)

TWO Norwich cocks, 12/-; Sandiford's Goldfinch Mule, Finch song, 6/-; pedigree maiden bull bitch, highest pedigree, £3; lady's cycle, splendid condition, £1; 20 records, mostly Zonophones, 18/- cash: 95, Manchester-rd., Swindon. (1948)

WHIPPET dog, 24lbs., very fast at rabbits, and broken to ferrets, will find any sort of vermin, 30/-, cheap at £5; also 3 dog pups by this dog, 7/6 each, or exchange for Roller Canaries to value: A. Cole, Revesley Colliery, Coventry. (1943)

A SILVER and tan Yorkshire dog, two years, good coat, horse-trained, used to children, 6lbs. weight, 15/-; or exchange 1914 Yorkshire or Norwich Canaries, or anything; approval: Hounslow, 27, Wilson-st. North, Monkwearmouth, Co. Durham. (1946)

FOR sale or exchange to value, dog-cart, equal to new, for business or pleasure, suit cob about 14 hands high, also set silver-mounted harness, not soiled; what offers; can be seen at any time: William Jones, 17, Arthur-st., Aberavon. (1939)

DULCIMER stand and case, good order, English make, 20/-; exchange birds, Yorkshire Sky Terrier cross bitch, clean in house, quiet with children, good ratter, 10/-; exchange cock Canaries in song; yours first: J. Grant, 33, St. Peter-st., Peterhead. (1943)

HEN Hawfinch, show condition, 4/-; small joiner-made aviary, 6/-; complete set catching nets, 12 yards, cost 25/-, sell 15/-; 3 new Lancashire show cages and case, 5/-; hanging cage, 1/-; exchange anything; offers: Kirby, Dixons Square, Luton-terrace. (1944)

SPLENDID pair radium prismoid binoculars, good definition, practically new, in leather case, with shoulder strap and cord, accept 25/6; approval, deposit, or exchange heavy cockerels for killing, British birds, or offers: Hallett, Shrublands, Smithy, Leam. (1950)

"COMPLETE Angler's" outfit, built cane trout rod, roach rod, pike rod, 3 reels, pannier, 5 zinc maggot boxes, bait can, keep net, landing nets, snap tangles, gimp, silk, lines, etc.; exchange 2 pairs good Yorkshires: approval: Dewar, 9, Cyclone-st., Ashton New-rd., Manchester. (1941)

PIGEONS, must sell, overstocked; few long-face Tumblers, reds and yellows, 5/- to 10/6 pair, winners; also grand pair black Magpies, 30/-, bargains; good chance for beginners; offers; approval; wanted Tumbler basket, cheap: Rowe Brothers, 5, Union-terrace, Penzance. (1951)

GENTLEMAN'S English lever, solid silver, correct timekeeper, capped, jeweled, new condition, cost 4 guineas, sell 30/-; exchange Canaries, Goldfinches, or Mules; also lady's gold watch, very pretty, good timekeeper, cost 2 guineas; sell 25/-; or exchange: Rose, 152, Wornington-rd., North Kensington. (1944)

CLEARANCE, cock, 2 hen Yorkshires, 15/6; mulling pairs, cocks first; 4 pairs Goldfinches, Bullfinches, 5/-; pair Linnets, Bullfinch, 3/-; pair Greenfinch, Bullfinch, 3/-; pair Goldfinch, Canary, 6/-; clapsnets, 7yds. 4ins., used twice, 10/6; pair field glasses, case, 15/-; champion Whippet, winner coursing, rug, etc., 30/-; exchange gramophone, anything; approval: Robinson, 77, Harboro'-rd., Rushden. (1941)

SITUATIONS.

COUNTRY agents wanted for Trower's bird seeds and foods, good commission: Trower, 442, Caledonian-rd., London.

Aquarium.

GOLDFISH, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6 per dozen; cans, 3d. and 6d.; trade supplied: R. Kremmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.

WANTED, large aquarium; exchange fine Yorkshire cock, good stock bird; local replies only: Tutthill, 195, Farringdon Buildings, London. (1930)

40,000 FISH fanciers! Send stamp for "Aquarium Management"; fish exchanged for birds, birds for fish: Fisheries, 16, Mountvernon-rd., Liverpool. (1949)

GOLDFISH, all sizes, rare fish, plants, snails, aquaria, etc., list free; catalogue of aquaria and vivaria, 1d.: L. Cura and Sone, Vine-st., Clerkenwell-rd., London, E.C.

Cats.

CHAMPION Blue Persian queen, eight months, orange eyes, winner, 10/-: White, Wennington, Lancaster. (1947)

MISS MARGARET CROSSLEY, Kimmeridge Rectory, Corfe Castle, Dorset, wishes to meet with kind homes for her three blue Persian cats immediately, two price 2 guineas each, another specially lovely one, price 3 guineas; pedigree; South preferred. (1941)

JUST Out! Nutshell No. 27, "The Care of the Cat." A highly interesting and instructive little booklet, dealing fully with the Housing, Breeding, Mating, Rearing, Feeding, Exhibiting, Management, Diseases, Varieties, etc., etc. Price 2d., from our Nutshell agents, or 2d., post free, from CAGE BIRDS, 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

Cavies.

PRIZE-BRED Cavies, Dutch marked and tri-colour, 9d., 1/- each; adults 2/6; matched pair: Heathcote's Aviaries, Leicester. (1908)

Cycles.

GENT'S Cycle, B.S.A., three-speed gear, H.B. control, two brakes, rims painted, good tyres, only ridden 200 miles, £4; also 5 x 4 Bullard hand or stand camera, tripod, slides, and background, and all accessories, £4; Nuttall, Watchmaker, Bacup.

Dress.

UNDERWOOD'S champion box calf boots and shoes, newly soled and heeled, ladies 2/9; gents 3/6; girls 2/6; boys 2/9; youths 3/-; all sizes; carriage paid: Underwood, 36, York-st., Hulme, Manchester.

Ferrets.

SPLENDID ferrets, good workers, guaranteed, 4/6; excellent, ready to work; large 4/-, medium 3/6; 10 days' approval, cash or deposit: Wannop, Short-st., Carlisle. (1942)

Household Furniture, Utensils, etc.

Should WRITE TO-DAY enclosing 1d. stamp for VALUABLE BOOKLET.

TESTIMONIALS and FREE SAMPLE of **BLANCHARD'S PILLS**

They are unrivalled for all Ladies' Ailments, &c. and speedily afford relief, and never fail to alleviate all suffering. They supersede Pennyroyal, Fil Coclea, Bitter Apple, &c. Sold in boxes, 1/4, by Boots, Taylors, Timothy White's Branches and all Chemists, or post free, same price, from LESLIE MARTYN, LTD. CHEMISTS, 34, DAI STON LANE, LONDON

Kennel—Dogs for Sale. Dogs for Exchange.

HANDSOME well trained Dachshund bitch puppies, cheap to clear; or exchange: Christie, Mere, Wilts. XMAS presents: Scottish Terrier, 10 weeks; dogs £1 1/-, bitch 12/6: Street, 69, Park-rd., Crouch End, N. (1947)

RETRIEVER puppies, 3 well bred Black nigger coated, 5/6 each: Robertson, 191, Links-st., Kirkcaldy. (1932)

LOOK! 5/- buys a Yorkshire Terrier pup, slightly crossed, small, make nice little pet: 1/2, Padley-st., Bulwell. (1946)

HIGH-CLASS fawn pup puppies, particulars on application, price reasonable: W. F. Swarbrick, Tideswell, Buxton. (1943)

LARGE handsome black Retriever pups, 7 weeks, strong and healthy, dogs 8/6, bitches 4/6: Stephens, West Drayton. (1944)

LOVELY black and tan Airedale bitch puppy, five months, pedigree, accept 35/-: Wadsworth, 88, High-st., Lees, Oldham. (1944)

WEE BILLEE, eleven months, glossy coat, very affectionate, lady's pet, 2 guineas.—Jenkins, 14, Argyle-rd., Ealing. (1938)

SMOOTH Fox Terrier dog, 12 months, broke ferrets, one of the best for work, 10/-: Child, Police, Kirby Muxloe, Leicestershire. (1943)

FINE young Brindle Deerhound Greyhound bitch, just commencing to hunt and kill, very fast, 17/6: James, 8, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1942)

PRETTY little Whippet Terrier, horse-trained, catch rabbit on own run, sets true, 6/-: Richards, 53, Stockwell-st., Bulwell, Nottingham. (1951)

TWO game Bull-Airedale dog puppies, seven weeks, 7/6 each; bitch, 6/6; parents tackle anything: Jackson, Confectioner, Green-st., Bethnal Green. (1950)

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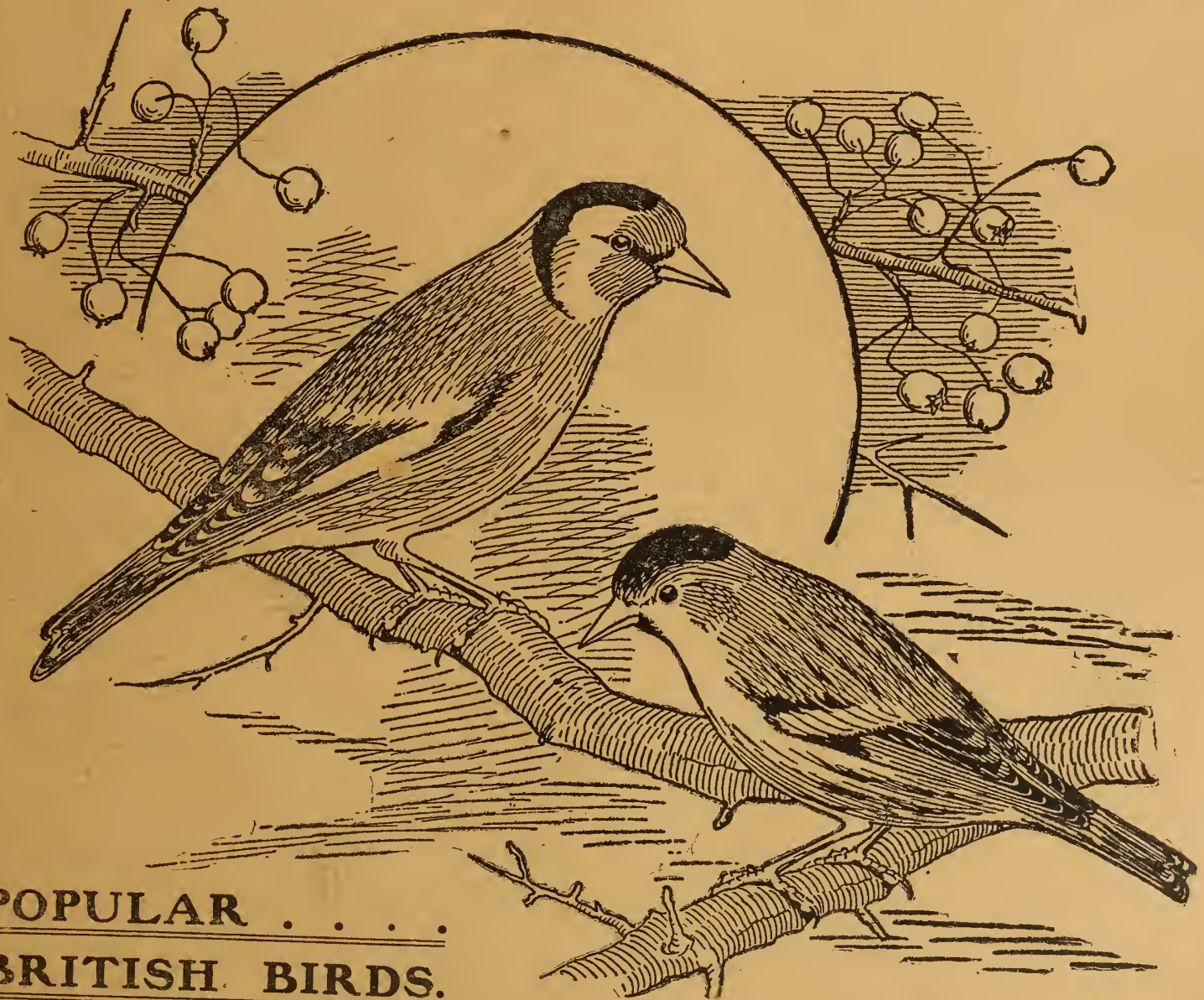
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A FEW good Norwich, winners and bred from winners, yellows, buffs and greens; also a few good Borders, can be seen any time: A. Smith, 24, Balmore-rd., Possilpark, Glasgow. (1956)
SPLENDIDLY bred, colour-fed Norwich, joined Kitchener's Army, must clear during Christmas leave; cocks from 7/6, hens from 5/-: Lee-Cpl. Widdowson, Gordon-rd., W.B., Nottingham. (1954)
COCK and hen Norwich Canaries, matched for breeding, large heavily feathered birds, with a large double breeding cage, bottles, feeders, all complete, 12/6 lot: James, 8a, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1959)
NORWICH and Yorkshires, single or pairs, best of blood; three extra good Norwich buff cocks, winners in open, prices reasonable; stamp reply: Archbold and Lascelles, 9, Quarry-row, Seghill, Northumberland. (1926)
WILLIAM PHIPPS has about 40 splendid, neat, typical Norwich to dispose of; see Richmond, Middlesex, Ealing reports; has taken over 50 prizes this year; cold room; approval; inspection: 16, Mill-platt, Isleworth. (1959)
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HAVING had a successful breeding season can spare a few good birds; cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each; hens, 2/6 to 10/-; two natural colour even-marked yellow hens, 5/- each; approval: Gilbert, Hope Cottage, Hill-st., Coventry.
F. J. LACCOBEE, breeder and exhibitor of winning Norwich, offers good stock birds at reasonable prices; novices and beginners wishing to start with reliable stock should visit stating wants and price: 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (1941)
LARGE yellow Norwich cock, 3rd members' show, 11/-; large buff hen, 3rd, 7/6; two buff hens, slightly smaller, 4/- each; good four-compartment, 6/-, cash or deposit: R. Twigg, 38, Lyons Colliery, Hetton-le-Hole, co Durham. (1960)
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Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains, have proofs; yellows or buff cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London.

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COOK AND SON. A few Norwich for sale, same strain as our winners Liverpool, Acerrington, Warrington; yellow and buff cocks, yellow and buff hens; cocks from 10/6, hens from 7/6, mostly unlighted; on approval, stamp for reply: 115, Lowergate, Clitheroe. (1954)

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ROLLER cocks, in full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, 7/9; hens, 1/9 and 2/9; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1961)

PURE Rollers, none better at 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 28, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (1878)

GRAND young cocks in full song, 7/6 and upwards; approval: A. Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derby. (1960)

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HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, sing anywhere, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 2/-, 2/6; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (1945)

FIVE 1914 Seifert Rollers, cold-room bred, singing, 6/6 each; exchange pullets: Wyle, Oldbury-rd., Black Heath, Birmingham. (1958)

PURE Randall's hollow roll cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-, B.R.C.C. 1914, cash or deposit syst.m.: Smith, 205, Ruelleard, Hull. (1958)

ROLLER cock, rung 1912, 6/-, 1913 Hen, feeder, 2/6, pair 8/-; Randall's; approval, deposit: Dearden, 123, Passmore, Rochdale. (1955)

LEPZIG Rollers. Cocks 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 3/-, 4/-, 10 days' approval; my risk: Colclough, Erie House, Stone-rd., Longton, Staffs. (1903)

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WALTON'S champion Glucke, water Glucke Rollers; cocks 10/6, 12/6, 15/-; approval, deposit: Walton, 6, Cross Green Crescent, Leeds. (1875)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval; T. Hilson, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1957)

GLUCKE and Seifert Rollers in full song, cold-room bred, cocks from 10/6; hens 3/6 and 5/- each; approval: Newton, 69, Stafford-st., Wolverhampton. (1943)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's; cocks 7/6 upwards, hens 3/6; pairs selected; approval: Barnshaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1953)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert Roller cocks, in full song, 8/6 each; hens, 3/-; approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (1956)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1912)

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HIGH CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks in full song, from 10/6, pairs from 12/6, hens 3/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-ter., Bradford-rd., Hatley, Yorkshire. (1955)

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HIGH CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Caddian's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

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GRAND Yorkshires, 10/- a pair; approval: J. B. Lenton, Market Deeping, Lincs. (1954)

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WM. CLIFT can spare few Yorkshires, cocks from 7/6, hens 5/-; best of blood: 4, Coldstream-ter., Cardiff. (1943)

SELL 2 cocks, 3 hens, Yorkshires, 25/-, or exchange good British; would separate: Hornsby, 8, Bath-st., Oxford. (1956)

YORKSHIRES, stock or show birds, few pairs cheap on approval: Bisset, 83, High-st., Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire. (1958)

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YES, an excellent season, over 100 own-bred, coloured Yorkshires for sale: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-rd., Worcester.

XMAS offer, 5 pairs, 10/6 pair; 3 pairs, 15/- pair; unlighted Yorkshire, worth double; approval: Dawson, 185, Duke-st., Glasgow. (1960)

SPENCER'S Yorkshires, 4 pair from my winners, 6/6 pair; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 17, Wood End, Hebden Bridge. (1958)

COME and inspect this noted strain of clears and greens, home all day; prices to suit all: Metcalfe, 68, Brunswick-rd., Liverpool. (1958)

HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale; cocks from 10/-; hens from 5/-; inspection invited any evening: F. King, 40, Inworth-st., Bittersea. (1950)

NOTICE.—Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, 8, Urridge, Castle Douglas. (1791)

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SEVERAL smart pairs of slim, stylish Yorkshires, rare quality, reasonable; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)

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C. HUXLEY has a few splendid Yorkshires for disposal; inspection invited (see Richmond report): Ivy Lodge, London-rd., Twickenham. (1959)

THREE pairs lengthy Yorkshire Canaries, 15/-, 17/-, 20/- pair (genuine): Hellyer, Yorkshire Breeder, 57, North-st., Portsea, Portsmouth. (1955)

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GRAND foul mid. green buff Yorkshire stock cock, also pink-eyed yellow hen, price 12/6: Harrison, 78, Charlton-ter., nr. Boosbeck, Yorkshire. (1960)

THIRTY Yorkshires for sale, cheap, clears and cinnamons; inspection invited; must clear: Brownbill, 29, Mercer-st., Hulme, Manchester. (1955)

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T. C. CRAWBALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terrace, Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1788)

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SELL splendid pair Yorkshires, yellow cock over 7in. long, and typical buff hen; Ogdén Bros.' strain, 30/-, approval: Taylor, 59, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs. (1958)

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HIGH-CLASS Yorkshires for sale, cocks 6/- upwards, hens 4/- upwards, same strain as our winners at Sale, Warrington, etc.; approval, cash or deposit: Smith Bros., 35, Hangingroyd-lane, Hebden Bridge. (1958)

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YORKSHIRES, must sell, room wanted for breeding, six pairs, 7/6 pair; six pairs, 9/6 pair; eight pairs, 12/6 pair, and two pairs at 15/6 pair; coloured, ready for breeding, no dealers, correctly matched, own breeding: Williams, 862, Penistone-rd., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1956)

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JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

- J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Waikey, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.
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J. W. METCALFE, Yorkshire Aviaries, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate.
W. R. MILES, Aviaries, Chichester.—Judge of all varieties Cage Birds, Norwich Plainhead Specialist.
W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.
H. NORMAN, The Eyrie, Salisbury Road, Carshalton, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.
J. PATTERSON, Chirnside, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide, practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.
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C. E. SILK, The Aviaries, Emsworth, Havts. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.
JAMES STANGER, 69, Grange Terrace, Pelton Feil, Co. Durham, A.V., Spl., Nor. and Cr.
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W. VARDY, The Aviaries, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.
J. WILCOCK, The Fountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford, Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties.
C. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.
W. YOUNG, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton. Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

LOOK AT THIS Dec. 31, 1914, SCOTTISH NATIONAL Jan. 1, 1915

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The Shows. DARVEL C.B.S.

Annual show, Lesser Town Hall, Nov. 14; judge, Mr. J. Smilie, Kilmarnock; 100 entries, NOR. CK.: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Thomson. HEN: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Hopkins. 1914: 1, 2, 3, Anderson. BORD.: YELL.: 1, Morton; 2, Beaton; 3, Nisbet. BUFF: 1, 3, Fairful; 2, W. and J. Taylor. 1914: 1, 3, Fairful; 2, W. and J. Taylor. MULE OR HYB.: 1, Anderson; 2, Thomson; 3, Hopkins. 1914: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Hopkins. GOLDF.: 1, Fairful; 2, W. and J. Taylor; 3, Beaton. BULLF.: 1, Thomson; 2, Morton; 3, W. and J. Taylor. GREENF.: 1, Hopkins; 2, Thomson. LINNET: 1, Beaton; 2, Morton. SISKIN, ETC.: 1, Hopkins; 2, Anderson; 3, Morton. REDPOLL: 1, Robertson; 2, Hopkins; 3, Alston. A.O. BRIT.: 1, Anderson; 2, Morton; 3, Alston. BRIT. HEN, EXCEPT BULLF.: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Alston. BULLF. OR GOLDF. FOR.: 1, Anderson; 2, Hopkins; 3, Thomson. FOR.: 1, 3, Anderson; 2, Hopkins. BRIT. (JUNIORS): 1, Robertson; 2, Connell; 3, Alton.—J. Fairful, Sec.

RICHMOND (Surrey) C.B.S.

Show, Dec. 10, at St. John's Hall, Richmond. Entries came in very well, being 108, and the birds were neatly staged. Special most entries, Mr. Harris; best Yorks., Mr. Stevens; best Mule, Mr. Snow; best Nor. and best in show, Mr. G. Birch. The executive are not blessed with wealthy patronage, so the exhibitors gave the whole of their entries to the Society's funds. Stewards, Messrs. Parmiter, Snow, Phipps, Harris and Perritt. Mr. J. Robson judge.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (6): 1, 3, W. Phipps; 2, Randall; 4, Huxley. BUFF (8): 1, Huxley; 2, W. Phipps; 3, 7, Springett; 4, 5, J. Phipps; 6, Randall. VAR. CK. (6): 1, two sps. G. Birch; 2, Keary; 3, E. Birch; 4, 5, Eagle; 6, Springett. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Huxley; 2, G. Birch; 3, Eagle. BUFF (5): 1, Huxley; 2, 4, W. Phipps; 3, Eagle; 5, G. Birch. UNFLIG. YELL. (6): 1, W. Phipps; 2, G. Birch; 3, J. Phipps; 4, Buck; 5, Keary; 6, Snow. BUFF (12): 1, Randall; 2, W. Phipps; 3, 6, Buck; 4, G. Birch; 5, 7, J. Phipps. YORKS. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, Harris; 2, Lear; 3, Stevens; 4, Eagle. BUFF CK. (6): 1, sp. Stevens; 2, 3, Harris; 4, Huxley; 5, E. Birch; 6, Keary. VAR. CK. (6): 1, Huxley; 2, Lear; 3, Harris; 4, Eagle; 5, Randall. HEN YELL. (4): 1, 3, Huxley; 2, Harris. BUFF (6): 1, Huxley; 2, 3, Harris; 4, Keary; 5, Eagle. UNFLIG. (5): 1, 2, Harris; 3, Lear; 4, 5, Stevens. A.O.V. (4): 1, 4, Lear; 2, Huxley; 3, Snow. BRIT. (10): 1, G. Birch; 2, 3, 5, 7, Lallein; 4, F. Birch; 6, Gibson. HYB. (5): 1, sp. 2, Snow; 3, G. Birch; 4, Keary; 5, Parmiter; 6, 7, Perritt. NON FED. A.V. (5): 1, E. Birch; 2, Lear; 3, 4, 5, Perritt. There were three eggs for competition for most points with three nominated birds at young bird show and this evening show. As far as I can see the winners are: 1, Harris, 34 points; 2, Lear, 33 points; 3, G. Birch, 29 points.—G. Birch, Hon. Sec. (Continued on page 346)

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WISHAW

Clydesdale C.B.S. Annual Open Show, on January 1, 1915, in Watson's Hall, Young Street, Wishaw. 43 Open Classes. Entries taken till morning of show. Schedules from: Jas. Watson, 16, Young Street, Wishaw.

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LLANELLY

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The Shows. TREDGAR

C.B.S. Open Show of Cage Birds, Town Hall, Jan. 14, 1915. 42 Classes. Judge, J. W. Metcalfe, Liverpool. Schedules: W. B. Watkins, 63, High Street.

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Twitterings.

Mr. H. H. Towers has removed from Colne Road, Glusburn, to 5, Ash Street, Crosshills, near Keighley.

All prize-money has been paid at Sittingbourne show, writes Mr. T. Munday, the hon. sec.

Mr. T. J. Williams, Swansea, writes pointing out a mistake in the catalogue of Swansea show. In Yorks. hens the awards were 1, Williams; 2, Owen.

I was pleased to see on the front page of your Double Number my winning Twite. It does your artist great credit. I wish CAGE BIRDS every success.—F. Heal (Swansea).

We hear that prize-money won at Warrington show has been paid. Anyone who has been accidentally overlooked should apply to the sec., Mr. G. M. Nelson, 466, Knutsford Road.

Mr. J. C. Barnes (Sheffield) has, we hear, been engaged as Judge for the Driffield Open Show, Jan. 8. This being the first venture of this society, we hope exhibitors will not overlook the date.

I was surprised to find the sketch of my Yorkshire hen that won at Glasgow show. It does the artist great credit, and I must thank you for putting it in your Double Number.—Thos. Macready (Stranraer).

We have fixed out joint show with Bolton C.B.S. at Leigh for Jan. 23, with Mr. J. Beswick, of Stockport, as judge, when we are hoping to have a good show, writes Mr. R. Charleson, sec. Leigh C.B.S.

I have had a number of post-cards, writes Mr. W. Rackley, Hon. Sec., Watford C.B.S., to know if our show is a radius show. The show, Jan. 13-14, is open to United Kingdom, and schedules will be posted immediately before Christmas.

My compliments to your artist for the sketch of my Crossbill, "Charlie," at the Horticultural Hall Show; he looks so natural and life-like. It was a pleasant surprise to find his portrait in CAGE BIRDS.—Madame Feist-Madewell (Dulwich).

Mr. J. C. Bell asks us to point out that the forthcoming show of the Border City O.S. is only for Cumberland and Westmorland, and a forty-mile radius of Carlisle. Mr. Bell has had applications from all over the country for schedules, and such applicants have not been answered for above reason.

We want help at Aberdeen show on Jan. 7, writes Mr. J. M. S. James, the sec. There are 12 classes (open), including Class 57a for Goldfinch, also 58a for Linnets. We are only 12 miles from Pontypridd, so fanciers can work the two shows nicely. The judge is well known to all, Mr. J. H. Jones, of Merthyr. All profit goes to the Belgian Refugees Fund.

The following specials were received too late for allocation in the prize-list, writes Mr. J. R. Meikle, sec. Scottish National show:—Open, Mr. A. Gardiner, sp. for winner of Aitken Cup (Norwich section); Member, Mr. A. Craig, sp. for best C bird in classes 74 and 75; Member, Mr. Bowie, 2s. 6d. for best first in classes 18 and 18a; Open, Mr. I. Nelson, 2s. 6d. for best third in classes 67 to 69; Member, Mr. W. Thomson, sp. for best first in classes 110 and 111.

The schedule for the Liverpool and Dis. Amalgamated Show on Jan. 1 and 2, at Bootle, contains 14 open classes for Green Canaries (under G.C.A. patronage), 8 for champions, and 6 for novices, writes Mr. A. E. Huyton. Any fancier wishing to compete, or any member of the following societies:—Liverpool B.B.A., Birkenhead C.F.A., Garston B.B.A., Wallasey C.B.S., and Bootle C.B.S., not having received schedule, should write to me at 2, Byron Road, Blundellsands, Liverpool. Everything points to a successful show.

Swansea's Special Meeting.

With the object of bringing the members of the Swansea and Dist. C.B.A. together, and of inviting any fanciers who would like to join us, a special meeting will be held at the Market Tavern at 7.30 p.m. on Dec. 31, writes Mr. John Hocking. A hearty invitation is given to all fanciers in Swansea and district.

The Early Bird.

A Thrush's nest with two eggs has been found in a hedge at East Hyde, Bedfordshire.—"Daily Mail" (Dec. 21).

Aberdeen Address Wanted.

Mr. E. N. Smith (42, Other Rd., Redditch) writes that he will be glad if the fancier at Aberdeen with whom he some time ago made an exchange, will write him; Mr. Smith has unfortunately lost his address.

Huntingdon Invaded.

Huntingdon was invaded on the night of Dec. 9, but by a no more serious enemy than an immense crowd of starlings. They must have lost their way in the fog, for soon after dark they settled all over a wide area round Trinity Church. There must have been thousands of them, and they all talked at once, keeping up a continuous chatter till daylight next morning.—"Hunts, County News."

The Ruling Passion.

I received a letter from my brother, F. W. Burton (Sec. of the Southern Border Fancy Club) this week, and he still thinks of the Fancy, even in the trenches. I know he is always anxious for CAGE BIRDS, which I send him every week. He is with the Queen's Westminsters, and joined on the outbreak of the war. He says: "Please remember me to all the fanciers you meet, and keep me well informed as to shows, etc. I do not forget 'business,' even in the trenches. I have already obtained orders for several birds, and also one new club member."

Wounded Soldiers Enjoy Show.

At the Dublin South Co. C.B.A. show the committee gave an invitation to the wounded soldiers from Temple Hill, Blackrock, and, writes our reporter, some thirty were able to come the first day, accompanied by two nurses (for one could plainly see the effects of the German shells about the legs and the feet). They were escorted round by Mr. Smyth, the sec., and were delighted with their visit. As some of them were fanciers in England they took a deep interest in the show, and especially the Yorkshires and Britishers. One of them said he did not think he would see such a fine lot of birds in Ireland.

THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL SHOW.

A Record Entry Wanted, and is Well Deserved.

Scotland's great show will be held this year, notwithstanding the difficulties incidental to war time. The old familiar venue, the Corn Exchange, was taken over by the postal authorities, but an equally good hall has been found by the energetic show management, and this year's exhibition will be held in the Grindley Street Hall, a very central position. The perseverance of the officials in the face of great difficulties deserves the appreciation of all exhibitors, and should be rewarded by a record success even for this great annual event.

Special arrangements have been made with the railway companies, and exhibitors need have no fear in sending their birds. As for the care of the birds during the exhibition, little need be said; the birds in each section will be specially attended by experts. The care of the insectivorous British birds will be in the experienced hands of Mr. Hoyle, a member of the committee, while the best guarantee of the well-being of the foreign birds is that they will once again be under the personal supervision of Miss Peddie Waddell, whose kindness in this direction has been so much appreciated for some years past by the committee, and exhibitors alike.

125 classes are provided in the schedule, and the extraordinary number of 194 specials will be in competition, among them being many handsome shields, cups, and medals. The show is under the patronage of practically every specialist club in the Kingdom, and the various challenge cups, etc., of these societies are numbered among the specials. The appointment of the awards will be in the hands of no fewer than thirteen judges.

Norwich, judged by Messrs. A. Maxwell and W. N. Turner, have 12 open classes, 2 novice, and 3 limit; Crests and C.B. judge, Mr. J. Brotherton, have 8 open, 1 novice, and 2 limit classes; Scots Fancy, judges, Messrs. J. Hannay, A. Leslie, A. Livingston, and J. Watson, 12 open, 2 novice, and 4 selling; Borders, judges, Messrs. J. Johnstone and J. Patterson, 18 open, 2 novice, 3 limit; Belgians, 2 classes, Yorkshires 10 classes (1 nov.), Lizards 1 class, and A.O.V. 1, are in the hands of Mr. J. F. Dewar; Mules, judge, Mr. P. M. McQuiston, have 10 classes (8 open, 1 nov., 1 limit); British, Messrs. Livingstone and McQuiston, 18 open, 2 novice, 1 sell; and For., judge, Mr. C. Sykes, have 7 classes, 1 stock class, 1 gift, and 2 Hyde's classes complete a grand schedule. The prizes are 12s., 8s., 5s., 3s., 2s., for a fee of 2s., and entries close this week (Saturday's post, Dec. 26, at latest), to Mr. J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham Street, Edinburgh.

Nests of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

England.

Jan. 8-9.—Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.—(J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston St., Beswick, Manchester.)
Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Mules, Brit. and For. Birds.
Jan. 13-14.—Watford C.B.S.—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.)
Oct. 12-13.—Plymouth W.C.O.S.—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)
Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(McCauley and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Scotland.

Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh)—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)
Jan. 22-23.—Glasgow, Scottish P.H.C.—(E. Barron, 119, Montrose St.)

Wales.

Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 45, Rosser St., Maccywood, Pontypridd.)
Jan. 12.—Llanely C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

CANARIES FOR THE HOSPITALS.

WE have pleasure in acknowledging several further sums from readers for the purpose of purchasing cages in which to send singing Canaries to hospitals and convalescent homes—housing wounded soldiers and sailors, viz.: Miss B. Willey (Malvern) 4/6, Mr. Geo. Crabb (London) 2/6, Mr. J. Forsyth (Cowie) 3/6 and Mr. B. Humphries (on behalf of the Devonshire Park Orchestra, Eastbourne) 15/-.

We are particularly gratified to receive the latter sum (made up by a sixpenny "whip round") as all the members of this fine Orchestra are not, of course, fanciers, and their action therefore, is all the more complimentary to the scheme our readers are helping us to carry through. They recognise the value and cheering influence of music, whether issuing from birdy throats or conjured up by human skill.

We append a short selection from letters that have reached us:—

2nd Western General Hospital,
Manchester.

Sir,—Mr. F. Schofield has sent us such a dear little Canary. He is quite happy, and singing lustily. Thank you very much for arranging it.

M. E. SPARSHOTT.

1st Scottish General Hospital,
Aberdeen.

Sir,—I beg to thank you very sincerely for the pretty Canary which arrived safely last night. It has already given great pleasure to our patients, and I am sure it will continue to do so. I also thank you for the canary seed.

M. SINCLAIR (Matron).

London Hospital,
Whitechapel, E.

Sir,—I have to acknowledge the safe arrival of a Norwich Canary, which you have kindly sent. I will have this placed in one of the wards where the wounded soldiers are, and I am sure it will be a source of delight to the men. Please accept my hearty thanks on their behalf.

E. W. MORRIS (Sec.).

Sir,—As my brother-in-law came to see me on Saturday from the Military Hospital, Kingston-on-Thames, I sent back with him a Canary and cage. My brother-in-law is in the R.A.M.C. and was delighted to take it back; he was telling us how fond our soldiers were of animals.

A. J. CLARKE.

East Dulwich.

Sir,—I have great pleasure in sending you 15s., collected from the members of the Devonshire Park Orchestra, Eastbourne, in aid of your very deserving Hospital Canary Scheme. I have called at the Military Hospital here, and the colonel and the matron would be delighted to receive a Canary and cage. I note that you are asking for more cages, so I will leave it to your discretion to use the money as you think best, taking it for granted that you will forward a Canary and cage to the "Military Hospital," Seaside, Eastbourne.

B. HUMPHRIES.

Member of the Clapham C.B.A. and
Crystal Palace and Penge C.B.A.

Owing to the necessity for going to press one day earlier this week, all matter and advertisements received after Tuesday mid-day have had to be held over until our next issue.—Editor.

THE VALUE OF "PUSH."

By
E. W. ALLSOPP

A few words on the art of easily and profitably disposing of good-class surplus stock.

(Cardiff).
(Concluded from page 327.)

ANOTHER finishes up "from my Palace winners." And if you happen to possess the Palace catalogues for the past few years, you may find that the advertiser did win something at the Palace five or six years ago. Of course, I don't say the advertisement is not strictly true, but what intelligent buyer is influenced by the fact that the mothers of some of the surplus stock being offered happened to be chased by a five-year-old Palace winning cock?

The irony of it is that the first little six-penny advert. referred to is as likely as any other to prove trumps for the buyer. 'Tis just the feeble, meek and mild attempt of our lovable novice. His surplus birds are birds bred from some of the most reliable stock, and represent three or four years of careful thought, time and work. Nice large birds, too, in capital health and feather, some of them really worth £2, £2 10s., or £3 per pair, which prices my enquirers would gladly give.

Only Yourself to Blame.

Of course, when you advertise in such a way you have only yourself to blame. If you expect on your return from work to find a long queue of buyers at your door, kept in order by the local police and fire brigade, you get disappointed. Even the postman seems to grin up his sleeve as he passes your door; or perhaps he does manage to pop in two letters in the course of the following week. One you find is an intimation that your mother-in-law is arriving to spend a few weeks with you; the other is from your loving sister to say that all her family are down with the measles. And, of course, as neither helps to clear that surplus stock, you nearly upset the "missus" as well by omitting to mention how pleased you feel to learn that her mother is soon to be with you!

Now, some people will tell you that advertising is more expensive than a little wife and a large family. If they have found it so, then they did not know how to advertise. In some matters I know I can look as innocent as most people and say "now't," but it doesn't work when it comes to advertising, which is chiefly, as far as our particular subject is concerned, telling people that you have some stock for sale. If you think it worth while to tell people you are a seller, is it not worth while mentioning something about what you are selling? Do not expect interested parties to sit down and write to ask you all about your stock? If so, speaking for myself I can say that after wading through and replying to as much correspondence as I do in my daily work, I don't want any more of it when I get home; and no doubt there are many more like myself.

When we get Interested.

Supposing the advertisement tells us that the stock has been carefully bred for two, three, or four years, contains many birds of good size, type and colour, all healthy, and on approval with pleasure, we at once get interested. A long list of successes on the show-bench is not necessary to sell off surplus birds. Buyers as a rule want carefully bred, healthy, and large stock. If you have not won even one first prize in open competition, don't worry. Advertise the facts. If you have some real good surplus stock to sell, then shout about it, and don't mince matters.

Only a favoured few, with a long and honourable career in the Fancy, can afford to invest in a mere 6d. advt., and then proceed to count up the pieces. Buyers should be given some idea of what you are offering, and a 6d. advertisement conveys one half of what they wish to know, and maybe will not trouble to write and ask you about. There is no need to be extravagant when advertising; a lot of irrelevant matter interests no one (except, perhaps, the Editor). It is interesting, well-written, forceful advertising that pays.

But don't try to follow what I myself do in this respect, for I am sure you will only make a hash of it. My wife often says there is no other man in the world like me! And, of course, if the observation is not made too near pay-day, I quite believe her. Just strike out for yourself in your own natural way; paddle your own canoe. If people laugh—well let them, for you will have cleared your surplus in double quick time, and at good prices, too. "He laughs best who laughs last."

Don't let your good work stop at the ads. When you receive enquiries, attend to them promptly; answer all points specifically and honestly, courteously, and without "swank." When the time has arrived to despatch any birds, do so in a nice, clean, safe and useful

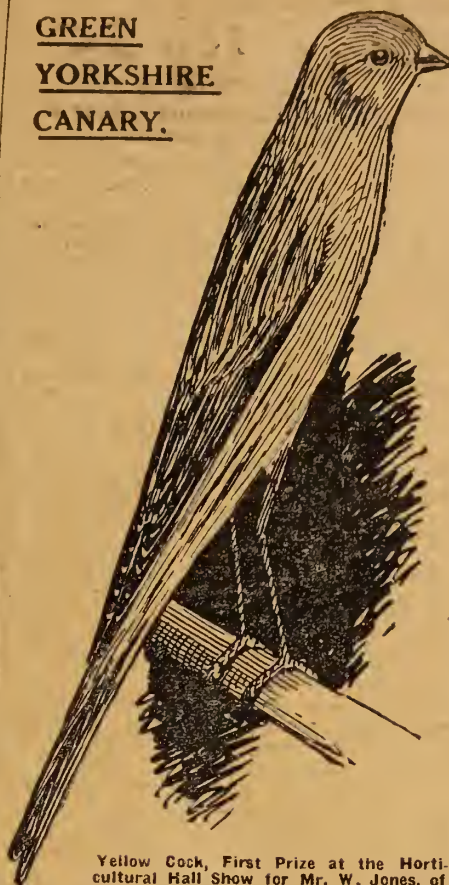
ling box, wrapped neatly and tied securely in decent brown paper. Don't forget to use one of CAGE BIRDS live bird labels, with the address boldly and legibly written; also, don't include any rubbishy seed with the birds, for if your birds are to inspire confidence, poor miserable seed won't help. A good breeder not only keeps good stock, but he has good cages, good seed, and gives everything good attention. Don't be foolish and think other people won't notice these little details, for they do.

I am always a wee bit suspicious, however, of birds sent out newly-washed, especially if stock birds pure and simple, for well-managed stock need no hand-washing. This, therefore, always sets me wondering if the sender was ashamed to despatch them straight from the cages. If the birds commence wagging their tails and wheezing like a lot of tin whistles out of tune, you can bet 'tis a case of neglected stock.

Lastly, don't forget to insure the birds for their full value when handing them to the railway people. Some breeders treat £3 pairs of stock birds as if the breeding of them was as easy as winking; it does not inspire confidence to treat the whole transaction as though it were the despatching of a box of blotters.

There is no need for me to make your mouths water (!) by telling you how well my surplus stock pays me, but you shall never say I have not endeavoured to help you to participate in the annual profit-sharing scheme. I have told you what is needed—at least, what I find is needed—to make the disposing of surplus stock a pleasant and

GREEN YORKSHIRE CANARY.



Yellow Cock, First Prize at the Horticultural Hall Show for Mr. W. Jones, of Birkenhead.

profitable undertaking. Lack of pushfulness and initiative I attribute to many who bemoan their sad position in not promptly and profitably clearing their surplus stock. Don't wait for the millennium; work for it.

TROUBLES OF BIRD-BREEDERS:

HOW TO OVERCOME THEM.
(Continued from page 327.)

Third Prize Essay by W. Salter.

TO be brief, I consider bird-breeding a problem from beginning to end!

At the beginning of February, when feeding up for breeding, I make up the following mixture: 4 parts German rape, 1 part maw, 1 part gola of pleasure, 1 part teazle, and equal hemp and niger to make up another part. This I have found to be a good conditioner. During the month of February I give all cock birds 1 teaspoonful of the mixture twice a week; hens, 1 teaspoonful and half-teaspoonful of niger. The first two weeks in March I give the cocks the mixture three times a week; hens as before. Third week in March, 1 teaspoonful of egg-food in addition, always using canary seed as a staple food.

I give the bath two or three times a week according to the weather; also a piece of apple or watercress twice a week. During the fourth week in March I pair the birds up, giving the egg-food and the seed mixture on alternate days. By this method I have very few unfertile eggs in the first round. The reason for giving the hens additional niger is to prevent egg-binding, myself not having had a case since using it. Should, however, you have a hen egg-bound, I have found the following very effective: Handle bird carefully and give two or three drops of olive oil direct into the beak, and put a little oil round the vent with a camel-hair brush, or a tail feather.

How the Hen Gets Lazy.

Non-feeding and sweating hens I attribute in the majority of cases to leaving the cock with the hen during incubation. Instead of getting off at regular intervals for food, she is fed by her mate and thus gets lazy. The same thing, of course, occurs after the young are hatched. I remove the cock bird after the third egg is laid. Should, however, the hen prove to be a bad feeder and sweat her young, I try a change of diet. Instead of egg-food, give bread and milk or soaked rape, also scatter hemp or rape seed on the cage bottom, which usually entices her off the nest, and it gives the young ones a chance of getting air while she is gathering up the seed.

Feather-plucking is usually due to the hen wishing to nest again too soon, which occurs through leaving the cock with her. I do not return him until the young are just leaving the nest; then by the time she commences to build the young can be safely transferred to the nursery cage.

When they leave their parents I give egg-food for three days, then egg-food and bread and milk on alternate days, with a little crushed hemp and canary seed. I always give water, as they are used to it when with their parents, and will also in most cases take to the bath whilst with them. Gradually wean them off the egg-food, but continue with the bread and milk, twice a week, as I believe this wards off many stomach troubles.

As regards colour-feeding when eggs are at famine prices, I have proved this season that birds will eat colour-food mixed with bread-crumbs, with one teaspoonful of castor sugar added to each teaspoonful.

type, yet if there is any choice between them, the latter should take the preference, for it has a wider range of tours and rolls, and as previously intimated, enterprising makers are now including the Glucke-like and Koller-like tours. There is need now for organ-makers to turn their attention to the tone, for in all the organs that I have heard, including those playing the above two tours, there is a dissemblance in their tone to that of the Roller Canary. This is so marked in some organs that unless one is acquainted with the succession of the tours, it is difficult to name some of them. Because of this, a numbered and named list of the tours is usually passed on with the sale of an organ, and this may often be found in the fancier's room, fixed in close proximity to the organ. I have found this to be so even with a modern organ that had the latest range of tours.

I have related with an unbiassed mind my own experience with the organ, and I leave the subject by saying that too much importance should not be attached to the fact that birds are said to have had the assistance of an organ in their tuition.

The Master Singer of the Canary Tribe

By J. TOMLINSON.

How to keep the Roller Canary in health, to breed for pleasure and profit, and train for exhibition.

(Concluded from page 307.)

ANOTHER reason may be that the purchase of a more modern organ is contemplated, one with a different variety of tours, as great changes have taken place in this respect of late; the Glucke-like and Koller-like tours have been added.

The majority of old Roller fanciers have at some time or other possessed an organ, and are of one mind in this respect, that it is a valuable acquisition when the tutor is in the moult and out of song. Whether it has the usefulness of imparting any of the tours into the repertoire of the young birds is a matter of individual opinion. A fancier residing on the other side of the globe, who had imported two organs, writes: "I have not found them necessary in training my young birds."

Undoubtedly an organ is useful also in keeping the youngsters to their studies, but there are other methods, equally effective and more economic, that may be employed for this purpose; for example, the sound of running water from a tap, the scraping of a knife on the edge of a plate, the human imitation of the hollow roll, water roll, schockel, or flutes, or the call note of another bird, or the rubbing together the sandpaper edges of two match-boxes. These, and many other little devices can be employed to induce the youngsters to start singing.

The Living Tutor Preferred.

My own opinion is that the organ is not intended to train other varieties of Canaries, and even where the Roller is concerned its competency cannot be really estimated in view of the great difference in the imitative powers of different birds. In any case, where the youngsters can hear the tours of the living tutor, little attention is given to anything produced mechanically; this has proved to be so in my own rooms.

To relate my own experiences with the organs may be instructive. My first organ was of the water-tank and air-cylinder type, its deep-toned song passages were: Hollow roll, bass, schockel, and flutes. The first year of using it I had in training about thirty youngsters, some of which were the production of birds mated with a view to fixing depth of tone. In addition to the organ, I used their sire as a tutor. The results were that while some of the young cocks could equal the tutor in depth and mellowness of tone, there was only one that excelled in the deep bass and water-glucke. This youngster retained perfection in these two tours, so marked that I was often asked where I had got them from.

For two years I mated this cock to hens bred from other deep-toned strains, yet failed to produce this excellence in the bass and water-glucke, although both sire and organ were used. I then parted with the organ, and resorted to inbreeding, pairing the cock to his nest sister, and produced by this close inbreeding only two young cocks, which I trained under their sire and without an organ. One brought bad flutes and was sold at a very low figure as a stock bird, the other sang deep schockel, flutes, bass, and water-glucke, among other tours, and its merits placed it amongst the winners for a new owner at the first time of asking, although it had not been credited with the water glucke.

The Automatic Organ.

This experience of an organ might have proved sufficient had not a newer type of organ, the automatic, been placed on the market, and in common with all fanciers, I was ready and willing to try anything that might better the song of the birds. If my memory serves me correctly, the automatic organ I got played five tours, hollow roll, in a straight key, also falling and rising; schockel ditto, hollow bell, bass, and flutes. In addition, I used a tutor that sang the falling and rising hollow roll and the straight-toned schockel, some of the pupils being the offspring of that tutor. The combined efforts of tutor and organ, extending over two training seasons, failed to produce one youngster that sang the schockel in a variformed way, and this was the only tour on the organ that was not inbred, or sang by the birds. After two years' trials, I and the organ parted company, I being the loser to the tune of nearly £3. I waved it and all its kind a long au revoir.

*This type of organ is easier to manipulate than the water-tank and air cylinder

Correspondence.

A Suggested Economy for Exhibitors.

Sir,—Regarding my suggestion of last week as to the use of sawdust in show-cage bottoms to curtail expenses, there is a printer's error in the letter. It should read use sawdust in preference to seed (not sand).

F. STOTHARD.

Fine Show Promoted by Glasgow and District S.F.A.

Sir,—As you are aware, the City of Glasgow Show was not held this year, and as the Paisley people cannot get a hall large enough, they also have cancelled their fixture. On the face of this, at the Paisley and Dist. Scotch Fancy show, held Nov. 27, a few of the fanciers had a discussion on the advisability of having an open show at the New Year time. As everyone was strongly in favour of same, a meeting was held at close of show and a society formed and named the "Glasgow and District Scotch Fancy Association." Its show is to be held on 2nd January, 1915, in the Union Halls, 102, West Nile Street, Glasgow. I enclose schedule, and I think you will agree it is the finest ever sent out for a one-day show of Scots Fancies.

JAS. STEWART, JUNR.
(Asst. Secretary).

Special Prizes at Falkirk Good Intent Show.

Sir,—In reply to "Interested's" letter in your valuable paper, I would like to ask if he is a member or not? If the former, it is open for him to come to the general meeting on Saturday, and I am sure he will get his grievance answered; or if the latter, his interest ceases. I have taken the trouble to look up the schedule, and I find that "Interested" is making a mistake as regards the specials in the British section. I may also let "Interested" know that the Good Intent has always been run on fair and square lines, and as a Club Show the British as well as the Norwich members have equally the same voice at the meetings. I think if the individual who signs himself "Interested," and is a member, had come forward a month before the show and advised the officials how to get specials, the show I am sure would have been a great success.

JOSEPH HUNTER (Vice-Pres.)

Exhibitors Who Are "On the Make."

Sir,—I observe in your issue of last week that Mr. McClure attacked some of the exhibitors who attempted to "fake" at the Paisley show. I have for the past few years attended many shows, both in Scotland and England, and have been forcibly impressed with the fact that a large proportion of our exhibitors are simply "on the make." It is true that among our largest exhibitors to-day are many who have a love of birds for the birds' sake, but unfortunately there are fanciers who have no soul above the miserable cash value of the prize. At the shows you can spot the latter; usually ignorant, grasping, "looking for a bargain" sort of persons who would exhibit Crows as readily if prizes could be obtained. I suppose nothing can be done, Mr. Editor, to weed out this type of fancier. Would the abolition of cash, or prizes of cash value, not have some effect? Suppose that prizes of handsome printed cards, with name of owner, etc., were given instead of cash, it would have the effect of getting rid of those undesirable cash grabbers. I should like to have the opinion of your readers on this subject.

J. W.

An Appeal for the Scottish National Show.

Sir,—We have sent out close on 1,800 prize-lists. So many shows being off this season, exhibitors' names have been more difficult to get, and consequently a large number of fanciers may not have received a copy, but if they will kindly make application it will be forwarded per return of post; or send their entries on, to save time, the committee will classify them correctly. Special prizes are, as usual, exceedingly numerous, and we make no charge for prize-cards. Prize-money paid at hall Jan. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Judges are popular experts; and the fanciers who form our committee are a guarantee for the utmost attention to all exhibits. The sales department was a record last year, and we advise exhibitors with surplus stock for disposal not to miss this opportunity. Show closes 4 p.m. New Year's Day, and all birds (unless instructions are received to the contrary) will be dispatched so as to reach their destinations that evening, if possible. This will enable exhibitors to show at one or other of the shows the following day. V.C.C. members note: "Birds for Bradford and Dis. Leav." Edinburgh 6 p.m., arriving home 11.56

p.m. same evening." The Grindlay Street Hall is central, close to main car routes, and within few minutes of stations. We are not running this show for the purpose of building up our own finances; all profits go to the Prince of Wales' National Relief Fund. We confidently appeal to you, fellow-fanciers, to rally round the Scottish National, and give us a record entry, so we may be able to hand over a goodly sum. (See adverts.)

J. R. MEIKLE, Sec.

22, Brougham Street, Edinburgh.

Ireland's Best Yorkshire Canary.

Sir,—In the report of Dublin show, it says Mr. O'Reilly's buff cock is the best ever staged in Ireland, and that he has not been beaten since 1910, since his owner commenced showing him. I'll take 1911, when this bird was at his best. Mr. O'Reilly showed a buff cock at every show in Ireland that year, and all he got was 2nd, vhc, and he with buff cocks. Messrs. Dunwoody, Birse, and myself were the chief winners that year. If proof is wanted, I'll look up other reports as well. "Balaclava" was considered by every fancier of any note in Ireland, the best Yorkshire staged in this country.

JAS. DEVINS.

Crests at the Scottish National Show.

Sir,—Crest fanciers, both North and South, should note the most liberal classification at the Scottish National show, seeing this is about the last chance of such classification this season (Palace being unfortunately abandoned). I sincerely trust fanciers will reward the Edinburgh Executive by sending a bumper entry, as I am in a position to know that, owing to force of circumstances, it was the intention of the Association to very considerably reduce the classification in the Crest section, but after considerable pressure and argument, they very generously agreed not to do so; hence my appeal.

JOHN YOUNG.

Sec. Scottish Crested Canary C.C.

Who is Using Small Show Cages?

Sir,—I would like to hear through CAGE BIRDS from some of those who show birds, such as Norwich and British, in such small cages. I have been to three shows lately and noticed those birds, how they had to turn all shapes when moving about. My opinion is that they would show themselves a lot better in the Yorkshire show cage, which I think is a good cage to show a bird off, as anyone looking at a bird in a Yorkshire cage can see all over it at a glance. I am very much interested in birds and their comfort, so would like to know why they use such small cages for showing. I think some of them are only about 8 or 9 inches by 4 inches.

Darlington. H. ROBINSON.

[The standard size Norwich show cage is 12 inches long by 11½ high and 4½ wide; and that for a British bird the size of a Bullfinch is practically the same. These measurements give even a larger floor space than is found in the Yorkshire show cage. We doubt very much whether it would add to the "comfort" of British birds to be shown in the Yorkshire type of cage; the all-open cage would only intensify their greater natural nervousness, and result in broken plumage and possibly worse damage. We have even heard fanciers argue that the Yorkshire Canary would be all the better for a change in the style of its cage; they held that the open wires exposed the birds unnecessarily to every cold draught of air that might blow through the hall, or penetrate the travelling cage. So Mr. Robinson will see that there is the proverbial "other side" even to this question.—Editor, "C.B."]

Pendlebury and Swinton C.B.S. Determined to Go Ahead.

Sir,—We have been much handicapped for a place to hold a contest show in. Myself and the sec. of Leigh Society went to inspect a room at the Workingmen's Club at Pendlebury; we both came to the conclusion that it is one of the nicest rooms in the district. It has been reconstructed; everything is up-to-date. I was pleased to see some of the old Lark fanciers in the rooms when I went. They want to revive the Lark contests again. We have about 36 members' names on the book, and money in the bank, yet members will not come to meetings. Some do not like the public-house, others do not like the temperance places, so I have come to the conclusion that this is the place for us—a club for workingmen bird fanciers. I intend to join this club, and others have promised to do so; and if we get a good few members no doubt the Committee will let us have a room now and

again for a show or contest. I propose we have a big meeting on Jan. 2 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Perhaps Leigh, Wigan, Darwen, Blackburn, etc., fanciers will bring a Linnet or two, and we will give the other members a sample of a contest for time and quality. We in this district do not understand quality. I would like some fanciers to give us the notes of a good quality bird, as I have been informed that a good quality bird in Yorkshire (where they have the best) would not win down South. The sec. of the club told me he would do his best with the Committee to secure a room for us. If we have to rent it, I will pay the rent myself, on Saturday, Jan. 2. I think I have been trying about ten years to get the fanciers of this district together; almost every one you speak to has a bird, but they will not flock together. Let us have a good meeting now and see if we can't do something. Contests, shows, etc., will be notified in CAGE BIRDS, if arranged. Fanciers are invited from all over Lancashire and Yorkshire. Will other secretaries of Linnet clubs send me bills of shows and contests, etc.?

ALEX. DONNELLY (Sec.).

295, Swinton Hall Road, Pendlebury.

Club Reports.

LEYTON C.B.A.

Meeting, Grange Park Hall, Dec. 7. Mr. Bartlett chair. Cups and prizes won at annual show were distributed by pres., Mr. S. C. Rhodes, with a few appropriate words to each recipient. The remainder of the evening was taken up by questions and answers, which proved of great interest to all. A vote of thanks to pres. and chair brought a very pleasant evening to a close.—A. W. Farmer, Hon. Asst. Sec.

BORDER FANCY CANARY CLUB.

The B.F.C.C. meeting will be held in a room at the Scottish National Show on Jan. 1, at 11 a.m., when the following propositions will come before the meeting: (1) That we adopt a standard show cage; (2) that clear or tick classes be altered to clear or fowl, 2 marks to be allowed; (3) that classification for club patronage be reconsidered; (4) that class number label be the only label allowed on show cage; (5) that all societies with club patronage send schedules to all members of B.F.C.C.; (6) that knobs on show cages be considered.—W. B. Smart, Sec.

ROTHERHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, Dec. 12, Mr. Brotherton presiding. Election of officers as follows: Mr. Brotherton, Chair; Mr. Dransfield, Vice-chair; Mr. B. Wall, Treas.; Committee, Messrs. Stafford, Webster, Hunt, Bagnall, Allott. All prize money was paid out for last Members' Show. The year has been very successful. Balance sheet was read, which shows a nice balance to start next year. Decided to hold a Members' Show second Sat. in Jan., and to hold another meeting first Sat. in New Year, when all members are requested to attend to get their schedules for show. Messrs. J. B. Taylor and Dransfield were elected Secs.—Taylor and Dransfield, Secs.

SOUTH LONDON COL. AND F.A.

General meeting, Headquarters, Dec. 10, Mr. J. W. Leech presiding over a good gathering. Decided that owing to the early closing order, the annual concert be abandoned, and the prize distribution take place at annual general meeting, Jan. 14. Officers nominated for 1915:—Pres., J. Clark; chair, G. Munday; vice-chair, W. J. Jeffries; auditors, Messrs. F. W. Burton and F. S. Matthes; cage birds committee, H. J. Horton, S. Harris, A. Biss, J. Fuller, J. S. Fairman, G. Martin, and M. Dimond; asst. sec., Mr. W. Whitman; sec. and treas., Geo. Burton, 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S. London. Members please remember that proposed alterations to the rules must be sent in to me by Jan. 1. I shall also be glad to receive any outstanding ticket money, also subs.—Geo. Burton, Hon. Sec.

NEW CROSS C.B.S.

General meeting, Dec. 3, a good number present. Mr. J. Fuller chair, owing to the indisposition of the chairman, Mr. H. C. Humphries. Cups and specials won at the annual show were distributed. Officers nominated for 1915:—Chair, Mr. H. C. Humphries; vice, Mr. J. S. Fairman; auditors, Messrs. J. Fuller and W. G. Martin; hon. treas., Mr. G. Burton; committee, Mrs. W. G. Martin, Miss E. Sims, Messrs. W. A. Hall, W. H. Gardner, A. W. Culham, F. Childers, T. Kay, and P. Cooper; sec., Burton Bros., 126, Lee Road, Lee Green, S.E. Members please note that any proposed alteration to the rules must be sent to us by Jan. 1. Owing to the People's Hall being turned into recreation rooms for soldiers stationed in the district, we have had to seek new quarters, and have as yet been unsuccessful in finding a suitable place, therefore our meeting, Jan. 7, will be held at 126, Lee Road, and as the programme for the year will then be drawn up, we hope members will turn up in force.—Burton Bros., Hon. Secs.

FOREIGN BIRD EXHIBITORS' LEAGUE.

The winners of the chief special prizes at Club Show (under auspices of Amalgamated Show), Nov. 26, 27 and 28, at the Horticultural Hall, are as follows:—Best Gouldians Miss Bousfield, best Cordoro F. Howe, best Budgerigars J. Frostick, rarest Hyb. Miss A. B. Smyth (Red-vented Red-capped Bulbul). Competing for the specials for most points and 2nd most points over various classes fifteen members won between them 47 1/2, which amounts were paid out on Dec. 18th. The following diplomas were awarded for birds appearing for the first time on the show bench. There will be sent as soon as signed, unless in the meanwhile proof is forthcoming that such birds have been shown before:—Hahn's Macaw Miss A. B. Smyth, Short-tailed Parrot Mrs. B. J. Moore, Cornuta ocularis A. Silver, Azlee Conuro J. Frostick, Speckled Conuro C. J. Maxwell, Crimson-ringed Wlydah R. E. Simpson, Japanese Hawlinch (E. personata), as distinguished from Black-tailed, often shown as Japanese A. Silver, Red-headed Bullfinches A. Ezra, Montezuma Harlequin Quails J. Frostick, Triangular Spotted Doves C. Harri Emerald Doves (not Blue-netted) W. J. C. Frost, Buffon Quails W. J. C. Frost, Garnet-throated (Chest) Hummer and Ricordi's Humming Bird and Green-capped Red-capped J. A. Ezra, Yellow

rumped Red Sunbird C. T. Maxwell (although previously shown in 1913, this is first appearance at League show), Bullock's Hangnest, Wedge-tailed Glossy Starling A. Silver; Chinese Cambodian Starlings Mrs. L. M. Thynne and W. J. C. Frost (previously shown 1913, but not at League Show), White-browed Blue and White Flycatcher A. Ezra, Black-gorgeted Thrushes Dr. Lovell-Keays, Hybrids, Greenfinch Himalayan Siskin and Spice-Finch Bib-Finch W. Shore Baily, Magpie Mannikin-Bengaleo L. M. Wade, Red-vented Red-capped Bulbul Miss A. B. Smyth. At the last meeting the executive decided to award Mr. E. Hathaway a diploma, recognising the excellence of workmanship and design displayed in the two cages made by him in which Mr. Ezra's Humming Birds were shown. Patronage has been given to Cardiff Show (Feb.), diploma for any new bird shown, ditto best Seed-eater or pair, ditto best Insectivorous or pair, shown by League Member. To Watford who are giving nine or ten well divided classes (Jan. 13) a similar set of diplomas. As both societies contain members of the League and as their applications came in when it was convenient to call a meeting, they were considered worthy of attention, if not financial help. As balance-sheet will have to be made out early in February all unpaid members would oblige by forwarding their subscriptions.—Allen Silver, hon. sec.

PORTH AND RHONDDA VALLEY.

Meeting Dec. 19, headquarters. Decided to hold Second Members' Show at headquarters Dec. 30, with 15 classes. Prize money on the sliding scale, and that Sec. write Mr. Castroe, Mountain Ash, re judging. Two new members elected. Decided to have diplomas for the member who gives most entries, also diplomas for various classes. Members please attend meeting Dec. 26, headquarters, at 7, as entries close then.—J. S. Jones, Sec.

EASTLEIGH C.B.S.

Meeting Dec. 14, Mr. H. Johnson chair. Balance-sheet was read, which showed a very nice balance on the right side. A vote of thanks was given to sec., assist.-sec., and committee for the able way in which the annual show was conducted; the committee also wish to thank all exhibitors who helped them to make it such a success. Mr. J. Alderslade was congratulated on winning the challenge shield, and Messrs. C. Thornback, H. J. Vale, and A. Welch the silver medals. Chairman said he was very pleased to state that we were able to allot 16s. for the Prince of Wales Relief Fund, being 39 per cent. of our takings as promised, and hoped that we should have many more successful years.—J. Alderslade, Sec.

DULWICH AND PECKHAM C.B.S.

Annual show, Reindeer Hotel, Rye Lane, Peckham, Nov. 24. Mr. J. Robson judged. Entries numbered 192, and some very fine specimens were exhibited. "News of the World" challenge shield for best in show, the young bird bowl, was won by Mr. W. Spillman, of Devonport, with a grand yellow Nor. Members' challenge cup most points, Mr. C. Mabey, who now claims this trophy, having won it three times. Champion Nor. and Yorks were very strong. A special feature was the reappearance of the Borders, numbering 25. The novice section was not so large as usual. Mules and British section was fairly good. Winners of specials: Messrs. Spillman, Mabey, Burton Bros., Gardner, Gilbert, Taylor, Cant, Hodder, and Pratt.—A. G. Cant, Hon. Sec.

From the catalogue sent we gather that the principal winners were: NOR.: Hodder, Cole, Spillman, Martin. YORKS: Basterling, Clarke, Mabey, Fairman. BORD.: Burton Bros. NOY. NOR.: Gardner, Whiffin, Hodson, Draemp. YORKS: Pratt, Gilbert. C.B.T.: Taylor. MULES: Mabey, Gardner, Whiffin. BRIT.: Page, Cant, Cole, Reeks, Gilbert, Mabey, Fairman.

EDINBURGH C.B.S.

Yearly Financial Meeting, Cairn's Memorial Hall, Gorgie-rd., Dec. 15, a large turnout of members present. Sec. read balance-sheet, which showed a balance to the good of £3 8s. 3d. Balance carried forward to next year. Vote of thanks to all retiring office bearers was accorded members. Office bearers elected for 1915: Pres., Mr. G. Staines; Vice-Pres., Mr. W. B. Adam; Sec. and Treas., Mr. J. C. Charlton; Committee, Messrs. J. Stormont, G. Brown, W. Ferguson, T. Russel, J. Hardie, A. Morrison, A. Hunter, M. Muir; Auditors, Messrs. John Rodger and And. Spittal. Mr. G. Staines was then called to the chair and thanked the members for the honour they had done him in electing him as President. A motion that we charge an entry fee at Annual Show was defeated by 11 votes to six. Mr. May moved that we keep all members who are on active service on the books as hon. mem. during the time of the war, which was heartily agreed to. Owing to present crisis it was deemed advisable to postpone smoking concert until some future date. It was left in Sec.'s hands to make arrangements with regards the hall for annual show, Nov. 27, 1915. Local Secs. please note.—John C. Charlton, Sec.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM C.B.S.

Meeting, headquarters, Crown Hotel, Dec. 16. Mr. A. Broadhurst chair. Sec. reported that all prize money had been paid and no complaints made. Decided to hold Members' first Saturday in Feb. The following were nominated as officers for 1915: Pres., Mr. J. A. Eckersley; Vice-Pres., Mr. F. Dipple, in addition to those serving for 1914; Chair, Mr. A. Broadhurst; Vice-chair, Mr. J. H. de Maillet; Treas., Messrs. J. H. Allen and H. T. Collier; Committee, Messrs. Cowley, Southon, Shirley, Austin and Worton; Sec., Mr. J. H. Jones; Assist. Sec., Mr. A. C. Shirley; Auditors, Messrs. J. Clay and T. Cowley. Vote of thanks was given to retiring officers, also to Messrs. J. H. de Maillet, J. Forsey, H. T. Collier and A. C. Shirley for their kindness in working all night to prepare for the Open Show, also to Mr. Jones, our worthy Sec., and Mr. Wells, Show Manager. Three members were proposed, Messrs. Ankers, Clarke and Austin. We give a hearty invitation to fanciers in Birmingham and district and surrounding towns who do not belong to any Society, and shall be pleased to receive their names so that they can be proposed for the new year. Will members make a special effort to be present next meeting, Jan. 6, when the election of the above officers will take place.—A. C. Shirley.

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GATESHEAD SHOW A GREAT SUCCESS.

In spite of great difficulties, the 15th annual "Palace of the North" show, Dec. 19, proved in every way a huge success. It was only after the most careful consideration that the decision to hold an open show this year was arrived at, but seeing that there had been no open event on Tyneside this season, it was eventually decided to run a one-day open show to allow fanciers to get their champions tried out. The Burt Terrace Drill Hall, the scene of so many great Tyneside shows, was not available, and other halls suitable for a big show were also engaged. The Rochester Street Sunday Schools, in which the show was held, although hardly so commodious as the old hall, or so well lighted, proved a splendid substitute, as it is very comfortable, and provided with everything that would conduce to the comfort of both exhibitors and exhibitors. A splendid schedule was issued, and a grand entry of 850 odd birds rewarded the efforts of the committee.

The whole of the staging arrangements were in the hands of the genial chairman, Mr. A.H. Holden, who undertook the duties of show manager, and it goes without saying that his duties were well and thoroughly done. The secretarial work, in the hands of Mr. W. Curry, is carried out in a manner which is simply "par excellence." Everything was pre-arranged to a nicety, and the whole of his work was carried out with the most methodical precision. The society is also favoured with a grand committee, Messrs. C. G. Petterson (vice-chair), F. F. Hawkins, J. Mackenzie, J. Maddison, H. Wollsbury, J. Davidson, J. W. Lawson, R. Tindale, F. W. Laidlow, J. Liddle, W. Mather, J. Peirson, E. B. Hooper, J. Moor, J. McGuire, J. W. Reed, R. Smith, and J. Rowan, all of them doing their best towards making the show a success.

Crests made a truly wonderful display, one of the finest ever seen in the North, which is saying a great deal. The two young classes were hot propositions for the judge, both in numbers and quality, and we congratulate Mr. Dobson on the care and patience with which he selected his winners. The Ford Maling Challenge cup and gold medal for best old Crest was won by Mr. C. Dobson, who we were sorry to hear was very ill. Mr. A. J. Smith won N.C.C. challenge cup and gold medal for best current year Crest, and the cup now becomes his own. N.C.C. challenge cup and gold medal best current year C.B. went to Mr. R. T. Bewick, with a very promising young bird that should have a good future. Norwich made a magnificent display, averaging over 20 per class in eight classes, while quality throughout was superb. Long-sided birds were conspicuous by their absence, and Mr. Dobson saw to it that only birds of correct type went into the money. Yorks. were also a grand lot, and most of the cracks being present, competition was of the keenest possible description. Borders averaged nearly 16 per class, and here again quality was superb, many of the birds being so nearly equal in merit that it was a difficult task to place one before another. Green Border classes were splendid, both for numbers and quality, some of the best birds in the country competing. Mules and Hybrids were well supported, all the big exhibitors sending teams, and we were glad to see the old "Perfection" looking so well. A good deal of interest was taken in Mr. Parlett's now well-known Can. Bullie, "White Rose," which, although down in the tickets, came in for a good deal of inspection. British were one of the features of the show, all the classes being well filled, and the quality right up to the high reputation that Gateshead holds as a British bird show. Mr. J. Bertram made his debut as a judge, and proved his ability in selecting the winners. Foreign birds were not a large collection, but what was lacking in numbers was amply made up for by the quality of the exhibits, the majority of the birds being of rare feather and in the highest possible condition. A grand attendance gratified the hearts of the officials, the show during the afternoon and evening being simply packed. Judges were: Mr. G. Dobson, Nor.; Mr. G. Dobson, Crests and C.B.; Mr. T. B. Tomlinson, Yorks.; Mr. J. Johnston, Bord. and Scotch; and Mr. J. Bertram, Mules, Brit. and For.

Mr. G. Dobson's Classes.

NOR. YELL. (15): 1, Glendinning, cl., grand one all over, lovely shape, short thick body, grand head and neck, deep chest, lovely col. and qual.; 2, Stephenson, tkd., a topper, very little to choose, magnificent shape, beautifully rounded chest, lovely head and neck, grand col. and qual., clean cut behind; 3, vhc, Laidlow, not so bold in head, yet grand for shape, short and thick, lovely carr., rich col. and qual.; res, Holden; hc, Carr; c, McKay. BUFF (18): 1, Russell and Teasdale, grand size, lovely shape, true bulldog type, grand chest and back, neat head, lovely col. and qual., short well carried wings and tail; 2, 3, Robson and March, leader massive size, lovely shape, short and cobby, grand head and neck, deep chest, not the hot col. of leader, nice qual., 3 mkd. eyes and wing, not quite the subs., but good shape, nice col. and qual., neat head, nice wing carr.; res, Wellsbury; vhc, Matthews; hc, McKay; c, Briggs. HEN (26): 1, McGinn, yell., gem all over, magnificent shape, lovely chest and back, neat head, full neck, grand col. and qual., best of wings and tail; 2, he, c, Morrison, even better col., but not so fine in qual., grand shape, deep chest, well filled in, lovely wings and tail; 3, Holden, again lacks col. of leader, fine size and shape, good deep chest, nice head, lovely feather, short, well carried wings and tail; res, Wellsbury; vhc, Peirson. YELL., 1914 (18): Grand class: 1, Lawson, wing tkd., lovely shape, red-hot col., grand qual., nice head and neck, good chest and back, very sound in col. and beautifully cleaned out; 2, Fielding, shorter in body, deep, well rounded chest, grand head and neck, lovely wings and tail, clean cut away, not the sound col. of leader, yet one we liked; 3, Laidlow, wing and eye mkd., bit longer in barrel, red-hot col., lovely qual., grand shape, good head and neck, nice wings and tail, well cleaned under; res, Wellsbury; vhc, no name; hc, Russell and Teasdale; c, Wright. BUFF (16): 1, Lawson, F. L., medium size, magnificent col., lovely shape, good head and neck, deep, well filled in chest, grandly carried short wings and tail; 2, Holden, topper for shape and size, lovely carr., neat head, full chest, grand back, lacks rich col. of leader; 3, Laidlow, grand size and shape, splendid qual., neat head and neck, hot col., lovely feather, good wings and tail; res, Fielding; vhc, McGinn; hc, McKay; c, Lawson. J. W. HEN (26): 1, vhc, F. F. Lawson, lightly mkd. yell., grand one all over, magnificent shape, hot col., teeming with qual., grand deep chest, nice head and

neck, magnificent wings and tail; 2, Watson, cl., buff, good one, grand size and shape, bold head and neck, grand col., nice feather and finish, deep chest, well cleaned out; 3, Forster, lovely size, grand shape, hot col., neat head, fine qual., well carried wings and tail, beaten a little in finish; res, Kennerston; hc, Metcalf; c, Morrison. NOV. CK. (29): 1, Priestly, buff, magnificent shape, grand size, lovely deep, well filled in chest, nice head and neck, bold front, grand col. and qual., lovely wings and tail, well cleaned out; 2, Pirih, yell., fine size and shape, rich col., lovely qual., neat head and neck, nice chest and back, short, well carried wings and tail, well cleaned out; 3, Richardson, yell., not quite the subs., but grand shape, hot col., neat head and neck, good fall front, grand wing carr.; res, Glendinning; vhc, Adams; hc, Marshall. HEN (18): 1, 2, Bird, two beauties, leader wing mkd., lovely shape, nice size, neat head, nice neck and chest, good col. and qual., neat wing carr., well cleaned under; 2, not the subs., yet a nice one for shape, rich col. and qual., neat head, neck and chest, beautifully carried wings and tail, clean cut away; 3, Smith, fine shape, though not so deep in chest, nice head and neck, good col. and qual., short, well carried wings and tail; res, Wake; hc, Ender; hc, Baker; c, Duke. A.O.V. CAN. (4): 1, Reid, broken cap, Gold Liz., grand size and shape, rich bold spangling, sound level col.; 2, Adams, foul tail, green Nor., nice shape and size, grand col., good head and neck, nice wings and tail; 3, Willison, Belgian, medium size, nice top, nice reach, nervy; res, Forster.

Mr. G. Dobson's Classes.

CREST CK. (13): 1, challenge cup, best old crest, C. Dobson, varieg., massive crest, grand size and shape, beautifully rounded, grand frontal, radiates beautifully from a very neat centre, lovely feather and finish; 2, Smith, cl. body, D.C., not the spread of leader, yet a grand one for shape, beautiful droop and formation, grand centre, good frontal, exquisite feather and finish; 3, J. Taylor, foul tail, beautifully shaped crest, round as a button, grand frontal, lovely droop, grand centre and finish; res, Dickenson Bros.; vhc, no name; hc, Bewick; c, no name. HEN (8): 1, McLaren, wing mkd., good size crest, lovely droop and formation, radiating from a beautiful centre, grand frontal, carried well over beak, beautifully furnished; 2, McLay, nearly gr., beautifully shaped crest, grand size, nice frontal, heavily layered with grand veiny feather, but not so well defined in centre; 3, Smith, varieg., bit shorter in frontal crest, magnificent shape, lovely droop and formation, neat centre, grandly finished; res, Radley and Son; vhc, J. Taylor; hc, Hugill; c, Dobson. C.B. CK. (10): 1, res, Smith, heavily varieg., leading, grand one, massive skull, wonderful entrance and width, grandly lashed, fine length of exceptionally veiny feather; 2, Armstrong, heavily varieg., grand front, rare entrance and width, nice rise and lash, scarcely so heavy in feather behind poll, yet a grand one; 3, McLaren, fine skull, plenty of size, any amount of good feather, well lashed; vhc, T. Taylor; hc, T. Bewick; c, Jeffries. HEN (7): 1, McLay, fine width and entrance, well lashed, great amount of good leafy feather; 2, Smith, similar, good rise and entrance, well lashed; 3, Armstrong, plenty of good feather, nice entrance and width, well finished; res, c, T. Taylor; vhc, Bewick; hc, McLaren. CREST, 1914 (19): a hot lot; 1, Barker, wing mkd., massive spread, beautiful shape, lovely droop and formation, radiating from a beautiful centre, grand layers of nice veiny feathers, beautifully finished; 2, Smith, grand size and shape, beautifully radiated from a grand centre, lovely droop and formation, well packed, scarcely so well veined in crest feathers; 3, Dickenson Bros., wing mkd., grand size, beautiful shape, fine frontal, carries a grand veiny crest, but is a bit open in centre compared to leaders; res, vhc, Armstrong; hc, J. Taylor; c, C. Dobson. C.B. (21), another hot lot; 1, Radley and Son, lightly mkd., wonderful skull, broad and massive, grand width and entrance, nice rise and lash, any amount of beautiful feather; 2, Bewick, heavily varieg., grand skull, rare size and width, good entrance, splendid flow of feather, grandly lashed, well finished, not far, if any, behind; 3, Tate, varieg., not so broad in entrance, nice rise, grand turnover, well feathered behind poll, good feather and finish; res, c, Dodson; vhc, Armstrong; hc, Thos. Bewick; c, Smith. NOV. CREST (11): 1, vhc, Bertram, foul tail, gr., beautifully shaped crest, very neat, grand frontal, nice centre and droop, fine finish; 2, res, Tate, wing mkd., fine shaped crest, nice size, neat formation and droop, good front, not so neat in centre; 3, Morgan, wing mkd., scarcely the veiny feather, yet a grand crest, nice shape, good front, neat centre and finish; hc, Sykes; c, Duke. C.B. (8): 1, Simpson, mkd. head and wing, great subs., wonderful skill, good width and entrance, any amount of grand feather, nicely lashed; 2, 3, Tate, lightly mkd., grand size, good skull properties, scarcely so well packed in front, 3 wing tkd., not so massive in skull, yet a nice one, good feather and finish; res, Sykes. SELL (28): 1, Russell and Teasdale; 2, Lawson; 3, Barnes; res, Wilson; vhc, Dickenson; hc, Wakenshaw; c, Richardson.

Mr. T. B. Tomlinson's Classes.

YORKS. YELL. (13): 1, c, Towers, grand length, lovely pos., neat head, grand shoulders and waist, finely drawn, beautifully braced wings and tail, grand col. and qual.; 2, Dykes, even better col. than leader, nice length, lovely pos., well up on fine legs, neat narrow shoulders, beautifully drawn, not quite so neat in wing carr.; 3, Crawhall, scarcely so long in body, nice length, well up on good legs, nice col. and qual., neat head, well drawn, neatly braced wings and tail; res, vhc, Ogden Bros.; hc, Wilson. BUFF (14): 1, Crawhall, rare length, straight as a rush, beautifully rounded shoulders, neat head and neck, slim and finely drawn, grand col. and qual., beautifully braced wings and tail; 2, Bradley, trifle heavier in build, well rounded, neat head, lovely col. and qual., grandly carried wings and tail; 3, Dykes, scarcely so well rounded on back, nice length, straight up on fine legs, slim and well drawn, close fitting wing carr.; res, Ogden Bros.; vhc, Tindale; hc, Cattell; c, Mather. HEN (18): 1, res, Tindale, leader yell., fine length and pos., straight as a gun barrel, neat head and neck, lovely shoulders and waist, grandly drawn, good col. and qual., nice wing carr.; 2, Towers buff, grand one, beautifully slim and finely drawn, neat narrow shoulders, well tapered, neat head, good col. and qual., grandly braced wings and tail; 3, Carlisle, yell., not so well rounded on body, grand length, lovely pos., neat head, tightly braced wings and tail; vhc, Rand; hc, Cattell; c, Wilson. Y.I.L., 1914 (16): 1, 2, Tindale, leader grand one all over, rare length, grand pos., very stylish, slim and beautifully drawn, hot col., grand qual., lovely carr., finished to perfection, 2 not so rich in col. yet a grand one for length and pos., slight up,

finely drawn, neat shoulders and waist, fine wings and tail; 3, vhc, Cattell, shade heavier, lovely length, straight up on fine legs, neat head, good shoulders and waist, grand col., nicely carried wings and tail; res, Ogden Bros.; hc, Kennerston, c, Crawhall. BUFF (8): 1, Crawhall, beautifully rounded, slim and finely drawn, grand col. and qual., lovely wings and tail; 2, Deighton, fine length and pos., well up, well tapered at waist, grand wings and tail, not so rich in col.; 3, Ogden Bros., scarcely so finely drawn, grand length, very erect, neat head, good col. and qual.; res, Dykes; vhc, Cattell; hc, Pyman; c, Carlisle. NOV. CK. (29): Nice class. 1, Baxter, yell., grand one all over, rare length, grand style and pos., neat narrow shoulders, finely tapered at waist, neat head, grand col. and qual.; 2, Boggon, buff, fine length, slim and stylish, neat shoulders, well rounded, nice head, good col. and qual., well braced wings and tail; 3, extra 3, Willis, yell., leading, nice length, well up on grand legs, neat head, nice col. and qual., lacks the grand finish of leaders; res, Robinson. HEN (13): 1, Lumden, buff, pale in col., fine length, grand pos., beautifully rounded body, neat, narrow shoulders, nicely braced wings and tail; 2, Thornton, yell., good length and pos., neatly rounded shoulders, grandly drawn, neat head, nice col. and qual., well braced wings and tail, well liked; 3, res, Willis, buff, bit shorter, well rounded body, neat head and neck, good col. and qual., neatly carried wings and tail; vhc, Robinson; hc, no name; c, Whittle. SELL (25): 1, Cattell; 2, Holden; 3, Smith; res, Taylor; vhc, Wellsbury; hc, Barker.

Mr. J. Johnston's Classes.

SCOTCH FANCY CK. (4): 1, 3, res, Chapman, fine team, leader fine size, grand drive and reach, gets tail well under, good top and length of side, 3, cl., nice size, nervy, not the pronounced drive of leader, good shoulder and side; 2, Willison, flaked, nice size, good reach, hardly so well down, yet a nice one. HEN (4): 1, 2, res, Chapman, cl. leading, quick into action, decided drive, grand reach, gets tail well under, a nice hen, 2, yell., not so quick into action, or so good in drive, yet a good hen, nice top, grand col. and qual.; 3, Willison, buff, nice subs., plenty of side, hardly the length of drive, gets tail well under, good col. BORD. YELL., CL. OR TKD. (13): 1, Watson, model for shape, grandly rounded body, sweet head and neck, lovely col. and qual., tight as a drum, beautifully braced wings and tail, grandly cleaned out; 2, Purves, not quite so beautifully rounded as leader, yet a gem for shape, exquisite col. and qual., grand head and neck, grandly drawn, sweet, jaunty carr., magnificent wings and tail; 3, res, Espie, trifle longer, fine shape, well rounded, good head, neck and back, lovely col., teeming with qual., well carried wings and tail, clean cut; vhc, Large; hc, Wilson; c, Peel. BUFF (15): 1, hc, Espie, sweetly moulded, grandly rounded back, lovely head and neck, rich col., finest texture of feather, beautifully balanced wings and tail; 2, Nicholson, better col. even than winner, perfect shape, well rounded body, nice head, fine jaunty carr., lovely qual., scarcely so perfect in wing carr.; 3, Purves, fine shape, though scarcely so well filled in on back, rich col., and teeming with qual., neat head, beautifully braced wings and tail, well cleaned under; res, vhc, Smith; c, Watson. HEN (11): 1, Purves, grand yell., gem for shape and style, lovely col. and qual., grand head and neck, close fitting wings and tail, grandly cleaned out; 2, res, Espie, tkd. yell., leading, topper all over, magnificent shape, grandly rounded back, lovely head, good col., but not quite so rich in tone, otherwise quite equal; 3, Wilson, magnificent buff, a lady all over, lovely carr., grand shape, exquisite col., qual. and finish, tight as a drum, beautiful wings and tail; vhc, Smith; hc, Nicholson; c, Patterson. UNEVEN, ETC. (8): 1, 2, Nicholson, beauties, leader, yell., exquisite shape, magnificent col., teeming with qual., grandly rounded, sweet head and neck, perfectly fitting wings and tail; 2, Cinn, mkd. yell., hard to find a fault, lovely shape and style, rich col., feather like boxwood, grand head, absolutely perfect in wing carr.; 3, Wilson, yell., again grand shape, sweetly moulded, nice head, neck and back, lovely col., exquisite feather, nicely cleaned under, just lacks the grand finish of leader; vhc, Moat; hc, Peel; c, Espie. GREEN CK. (20): 1, Greenwell, yell., gem for shape, magnificent col. and texture of feather, very sound and level in tone, not too heavy in pencilling, sweet head, lovely wings and tail; 2, Middleton, gem of a buff, grand shape, beautifully rounded, rich, sound col., carried well through, grand head and neck, lovely wings and tail; 3, Montgomery, grand yell., lovely shape, fine carriage, rich col., but hardly so sound throughout as leader, nice head, well braced wings and tail; res, Blakey; vhc, Affleck; hc, Smith; c, Parker. HEN (17): 1, Montgomery, yell., magnificent shape, lovely col. and qual., beautifully burnished, feather like wax, sweet head, perfectly carried wings and tail; 2, Peel, buff, perfect lady, grandly moulded, rich col. and qual., sweet head, jaunty carr., exquisite finish, grandly braced wings and tail; 3, Affleck, yell., scarcely the rich tone of col., yet a grand one, lovely shape and style, good head and neck, grandly carried wings, well cleaned out, close up; res, Whitlaw; vhc, Blakey; hc, Middleton; c, Greenwell. CINN. BORD. (14): 1, 2, Whitlaw, leader lovely shaped buff, magnificent col., sound and level all through, good head, grandly rounded body, tightly braced wings and tail, 2, yell., another topper, hard to find fault with, grand tone of col., sound throughout, exquisite feather, sweet head, grand wings and tail; 3, Smith, yell., scarcely the rich tone of col., yet a nice one, very level throughout, nice shape, neat head, good carr., clean cut; res, Hamilton; vhc, Patterson; hc, Houston; c, Farrer.

NOV BORD. (25), a grand class: 1, ex 3, vhc, Smith, uneven mkd. yell. leading, grand one, lovely shape, grandly rounded, sweet head and neck, grand col., close body feather, magnificent wings and tail; 2, ex res, c, Ender, cl. buff, fine shape, moulded to perfection, rich col. and qual., tight as a drum, nice head, well carried wings; 3, Affleck, shade slimmer build, fine shape, lovely col., exquisite feather, nice head, grand action, lovely carr. and finish; hc, Forster.

Mr. J. Bertram's Classes.

CL. MULE, HYB. OR CAN. BULLIE. (12): 1, 2, Martin and Archer, well-known cl. Linnet mule, "Perfection" leading, grand size and shape, magnificent col. and condition, 2 well-known Greenie-Challe, in the pink of condition, lovely feather, a brace of gems; 3, vhc, Maddison, cl. Goldie, nice size and shape, lovely col. and qual., grand wings, shown in the pink; hc, Parlett; c, Dr. Wilson. LIGHT MULE (7): 1, 3, vhc, Maddison, wing tkd. Goldf., lovely size and shape, magnificent col., exquisite feather, lovely bloom and condition, 3 lightly mkd., Greenf. not so stout as second in body, but a grand one for col., qual. and condition; 2, Martin and Archer, lightly tkd. Greenf., grand shape and size, lovely col., grand feather and cond., in the pink; hc, Hardy. DARK (22): 1, Parlett, well-known yell. Greenf., magnificent shape and size, lovely col., level all through, most perfect feather, grand cond.; 2, Maddison, yell. Goldf., lovely size and shape, bold front, grand face and wings, magnificent col., rare bloom and polish; 3, Martin and Archer, yell. Linnet, topper for size and shape, magnificent col., lovely feather and cond.; res, Conkie and Louden; vhc, Husband; hc, Holden; c, Carr. GOLDF. OR BULLIE. (22): 1, McGregor, Bullie, magnificent size and shape, lovely breast col., very sound and level in tone, grand back and bars, dense col., black cap, which, however, runs a bit too narrow behind; 2, 3, Almond, both Goldies, leader gem all over, grand size and shape, magnificent square cut blaze, very dense and pure in tone of col., grandly tanned, fine wings and buttons, lovely feather and cond.; 3, another grand one, fine size and shape, grand blaze, square and clean cut, but hardly so dense in col., lovely condition; res, Davidson; vhc, Nicholson and Son; hc, Fletcher; c, Oldham. GREENF. (22): 1, Cuss, topper all over, lovely size and shape, short and cobby, grand round head, magnificent col., level all through, grand feather and cond.; 2, Gentleman, correct type, short bold front, rare size, big bold head, nice col., but lacks the hot tone of leader, grand cond.; 3, McVay, hardly so deep in chest, yet nice shape and size, good col. and qual., perfect cond.; res, Nicholson and Son; vhc, Parlett; hc, Appleyard; c, Martin and Archer. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (17): 1, Parlett, one of the best Brambles we have yet seen, wonderful shape, magnificent col. and feather, rich in tone all over, grandly spangled, tight as wax, absolutely perfect condition; 2, Nicholson and Son, Chaffinch, grand one all over, lovely size and shape, grand cap, lovely wings, exquisite col. and qual., deep and level in tone, staged to perfection; 3, Miss Whitlaw, Bramble, nice size and shape, good col., nicely spangled, grand cond.; res, Hooper; vhc, Conkie and Louden; hc, Jameson and Johnson; c, Wright. LINNET, H.M. (12): 1, Dr. Wilson, fine size and shape, lovely col., grandly pencilled throughout, clear and distinct, and carried well down, nice feather and cond.; 2, Barkess, nice size and shape, grandly mkd., very profuse, nice col. but not so rich in tone; 3, res, Simpson, not quite so bold in head, grand shape, lovely col. and pencilling, very clear and distinct, nice feather and cond.; vhc, Jobling; hc, Wilson; c, Oldham. F.M. (16): 1, Maddison, gem all over, fine size, grand shape, beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, rich col., very level in tone, nice condition; 2, Conkie and Louden, equal to leader in size, shape and shape, profusely pencilled, level col., hardly so rich in tone; res, Simpson; hc, Strafford; c, Bowbridge. SISKIN, ETC. (22): 1, res, Conkie and Louden, magnificent Twite, nice size and shape, teeming with col. and qual., beautifully pencilled, clear and distinct all over, nice head, grand feather and cond.; 2, Carr, Siskin, grand shape, rich col., grand cap, nicely laced, perfect feather and cond.; 3, Hooper, Lesser Redpoll, fine shape, rich dense col., grandly pencilled, neat head, in the pink; vhc, Cuss; hc, Dr. Wilson; c, no name. A.O. KARD (8), we unfortunately missed this class, but the awards were: 1, Falding; 2, Hooper; 3, Davidson; res, Parlett; vhc, Nicholson and Son; hc, Robinson; c, MacDonald. HARDBILL. NOV. (18): 1, Bowbridge, nice Goldf., fine size and shape, good blaze, nice level col., well tanned, nice wings and buttons, good cond.; 2, vhc, Coulson, Linnet, nice shape and size, grandly pencilled, good level col., nice feather and cond.; 3, Mrs. Wilcock, Hawfinch, nice size, good head, nice col. and cond.; res, Mrs. Watson; hc, Wiggins and Harrison; c, Tarn. SOFT-BILL (9): 1, Scott, well-known Chough, lovely feather and cond., grand col., in the pink; 2, vhc, Nicholson and Son, lovely Waxwing, fine size and shape, grand waxings, lovely colour and feather, perfect cond.; 3, Woodhouse, Black Redstart, in grand feather and cond., nice col., res, Parlett; hc, Roper; c, Barkess. FOR. LARGE (9): 1, Christie and Son, Red-naped Lory, in perfect feather and condition; 2, Jameson and Johnson, Ceram Lory, a nice one, but penny in back as yet; 3, J. Morris. SMALL (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Almond, grand team, leaders Gordon Bleus, grand condition, 2 Firechick, excellent feather and condition, 3, Lavender Finch, in the pink; res, Petterson. A.O.V. (9): 1, 3, res, hc, Almond, grand lot, leader beautiful Rainbow Bunting, in glorious col. and plumage; 2, Christie and Son, Red-headed Finch, in nice col. and feather; 3, Almond, Rufous Finch, nice feather and cond.; vhc, Jameson and Johnson; c, Kay. SOFTBILL (2): 1, Nicholson and Son, Purple-wing Sugar Bird, a perfect dream of beauty, glorious condition; 2, McWilliam, Mynah, in fine condition.

ST. QUINTIN PARK F. AND F.S.

Annual show, St. Mark's Hall, Nov. 26. Competition was very keen in some of the classes, and Mr. A. J. Foy, the hon. sec., is to be congratulated on getting together such a nice display. Sp. best in show was won by Mr. D. Eddie, with a rattling buff Yorkshire, a grand upstanding bird of rare feather and very good position. Yorks. came up well, averaging nine per class, and Brit. contained some really promising birds. Mr. Geo. Gardner judged. YORKS. CL. (15): 1, sp, hc, Eddie; 2, Dyett; 3, Lallein; res, Starnsere; vhc, Marks; c, Turner. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, 3, res, Eddie; 2, vhc, Marks. ROLLERS (6): 1, 2, 3, vhc, hc, Piroth. GOLDF. (8): 1, 2, res, Turner; res, vhc, Eddie; c, Starnsere. FINCHES (4): 1, 2, res, Lallein; hc, Dyett. LINNET (7): 1, Lallein; 2, Davis; 3, vhc, c, Starnsere; res, Turner; hc, Cripps. MULES (4): 1, Ken; 2, vhc, Dyett; res, Turner. A.O.S. BRIT. (5): 1, Cripps; 2, 3, Lallein; res, Dyett; vhc, Clark. FOR. (4): 1, 2, res, vhc, Lallein.

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WHITEHAVEN.

A nice little show, organised and carried through under the able superintendence of the energetic Yorkshire Canary enthusiasts, Mr. Jas. Stewart, who acted as hon. sec., assisted by Messrs. Brown, Buchanan, Smith, Rothery, and Barrie, Dec. 19, Babour Hall, quite a cosy and well adapted room. The Canary section, consisting of 9 open and 3 nov. classes, was confined to Yorkshires, and though not strong numerically, contained many birds of outstanding merit, both of the N.Y.C.C. cup winners, and the runner up being present. Linnet classes, confined to the county, included most of the winners at previous local shows. Judges: Canaries, Mr. R. Tindale, Newcastle; Linnets, J. B. Moore, Whitehaven, appeared to give every satisfaction.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. (7): 1, Henderson and Crosby, line length and pos., nicely rounded, well braced, good col. and qual.; 2, 4, Stewart, leader nat. col., beautifully made, slim and straight, well carried wings and tail, line length and qual.; 3, Woodward, capital pos., well drawn and ready, not quite the qual. of leaders; vhc, Brown; hc, Coulson; abs., Pyman. BUFF (11): 1, 4, Coulson, leader beautiful feather, line shower, neat head and shoulders, cap. carr., good length; 2, Wells, good pos. and col., slim and nicely drawn; 3, Woodward, capital pos., well and nicely made, neat in wings and tail, beaten in head properties; vhc, hc, Stewart; c, Tweedie, UNFLG. (5): 1, 3, Stewart, tkd. wing buff leading, beautiful qual., nicely drawn, good stand, and well braced, 3 tkd. wing yell., good type, line qual., not quite level in col.; 2, Tweedie, grizzle cheek buff, beautiful col. and qual., upstanding and well braced; 4, Richardson; vhc, Crawhall. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, Stewart, leader cl., capital length, straight and shapely built, line carr. of wings and tail, good col. and line qual., 2 tkd. wing, nice pos., good shape, behind in col. and qual.; 3, Crawhall, nat. col., nice length and pos.; 4, Coulson, good col. and pos.; vhc, Woodward; hc, Brown. BUFF (6): 1, Crawhall, cl., finely rounded, rare length and pos., grand qual., beautiful carr.; 2, 3, Stewart, shade stouter than winner, good qual. and length, latter well set up, neat body and well braced; 4, Coulson; vhc, Brown; abs., Pyman. UNFLG. YELL. (5): 1, Crawhall, well set up and finely drawn, nicely rounded, pale col.; 2, Stewart, higher col., neat and narrow shoulders, good pos. and feather; 3, Coulson, hot. col., shapely, rather unsteady; 4, Henderson and Crosby; vhc, Cattell. BUFF (9): 1, 3, Stewart, leader beautiful qual., capital length and pos., finely rounded, excels in col., well braced and rare shower, 3 line pos. and col., excellent qual.; 2, 4, Coulson, tkd. cheek, another good one, fine qual., heartily made; hc, Woodward; hc, Tweedie; c, Pearson. UNFLG. HEN (1, 4, Stewart, 1 cl. yell., slim and finely made, rare carr. of wings and tail, latter var. buff, fine qual., nice length, fails in front; 2, Pearson, yell., shade heavier in build, good length and pos.; 3, Cattell, buff, good pos., rather heavy in build to winners, not so clean underneath; vhc, Wells; hc, Coulson; c, Crawhall. NOVICE YELL. CK. (12): 1, vhc, Palmer, finely drawn, neat all over, nice carr., well braced, good qual.; 2, hc, Buchanan, similar stamp to leader, good qual. and col.; 3, Smith, Mayport, not so finely drawn, good pos., little uneven in col.; 4, Barrie; c, Rothery. BUFF (6): 1, 2, Buchanan, both nice pos. and qual., good wings, and well rounded, 2 loses in col.; 3, Palmer, racy and well drawn, behind in wings; 4, Barrie; vhc, Studholme; hc, Smith. HEN (8): 1, Smith, Whitehaven, buff, finely drawn, neat and slim, good qual. and shape; 2, 4, Buchanan, cheek tkd. buff, fine qual., good pos.; 3, Studholme, yell., shorter, fine qual.; vhc, Smith; hc, Barrie; c, Palmer. LINNET, H.M. (9): 1, 4, Bell, leader fine col., real brown, good size and shape, faint tickings in chest, steady and in fine order; 2, 3, Fisher, similar shape, well pencilled throughout, both little darker than winner; vhc, c, Mrs. Jenkinson; hc, Seward. P.M. (10): 1, Bell, rich body col., finely mkd., good size; 2, Fisher, shade longer, well mkd.; 3, 4, Corkill, both good shape, col., and markings; vhc, Buchanan; hc, Stewart; c, Corkill.

SITTINGBOURNE C.B.S.

Fourth annual show, Fanciers' Hall, adjoining George Hotel, Dec. 16 and 17. The entry was a good one considering the society only decided a little over a fortnight previous to holding it to have a show this year. The exhibits were nicely staged, and the hall is a good one, well lighted, free from draught, and admirably suited for a show. The birds were well looked after by a body of old and experienced fanciers, including Messrs. J. Roberts (chairman), W. Broadbridge (vice-chair), C. Town (show manager), and Messrs. Churchill, Stevens, Rolis, and Edwards (stewards). Mr. T. Monday, the sec., worked like a Trojan, and everything went off smoothly and well. Mr. Councilor J. Hadaway opened the show. Pres. Mr. W. R. Elgar, J.P., was unable to attend the opening. Winners of special prizes: Mr. J. Roberts, society's £3 3s. challenge cup, and Filmer challenge bowl; Mr. A. Copping, Cornelius silver cup and Hyde's sp.; Mr. T. Monday was runner-up for the Filmer bowl; other winners of specials: Messrs Aylett, Grant, Stevens, Jacob, Lockett, and Pilcher. Mr. Jeffery Jeffers (Southall) judged.

NOR. YELL. CK. (8): 1, sp, Pilcher, capital shape and qual., good head and front, well staged; 2, Roberts, fails a trifle in head, not far behind; 3, Easton, good col. and shape, loses in wing carr.; 4, Rolington; vhc, Hopkin; hc, Broadbridge; c, Stevens. BUFF (5): 1, 2, sps, 2, Roberts, good size, shape, and qual., short flights and tail, 2 not far behind, not quite so good in wings; 3, vhc, Broadbridge, hardly the subs. of leaders, still a nice one; 4, Kew. TKD. OR VARIEG. (12): 1, 2, Rolington, yell. mkd., short wings and tail, nice head, 2 buff mkd., good qual. and style; 3, Stevens, tkd. yell., not quite the subs. of leaders; 4, Roberts; vhc, Monday; hc, Broadbridge; c, Horne. HEN (12): 1, Monday, nice shape and style, good feather and cond.; 2, Burges, another good one, not quite the size; 3, Jarrett, nice shape and size, fails wings; 4, Horne; vhc, Easton; hc, Rolington; c, Roberts. UNFLG. (13): 1, 4, Pilcher, typical buff, good head, nice compact flights, good col. and cond.; 2, 3, sp, Copping, not much to choose, but had damaged a flight feather; 3, Monday, not quite so chubby, good cond.; vhc, Stevens; hc, Burges; c, Broadbridge. YORKS. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Lockett, good shape, nice style and pos., wins; 2, Roberts, nice style, fails in length; 3, Monday, better length, but soft when judged. TKD. OR VARIEG. (4): 1, Austen, tkd. buff, nice length and style, good back and wings; 2, Lockett, another buff, little to choose, nice style; 3, sp, Stevens, tkd. yell., hardly the length of side; 4, Roberts. HEN (7): 1, sp, 3, vhc, Lockett, charming yell., beautiful back and wings, nice length of side, well put down; 3 buff, nice pos., hardly the length; 2, Austen, nice buff, good style, not quite so finely drawn; 4, hc, Roberts; c, Monday. UNFLG. (7): 1, 3, Austen, yell., nice style and feather, well up on legs, straight as a rush; 2, Lockett, well drawn, good style and pos., hardly so well up on legs; 4, Monday; vhc, Roberts; hc, Roberts; c, Stevens. A.O.V. (9): 1, 3, Jenner, vhc, g. Crest, good droop and frontation, nice qual.

and cond., 3 another Crest, not quite the headpiece of winner; 2, Roberts, natty little Bord., nice shape and style. MULE OR HYB. (5): 1, sp, Roberts, varieg. Goldf.-Can., lovely feather and cond.; 2, Stevens, Greenf.-Can., good size and feather, well staged; 3, Lucia, Redpoll-Greenf., nice order, well staged; 4, Burley; vhc, Garrett. GOLDF. OR BULF. (1): 1, sp, Aylett, nice Bullf., good cap and feather, well shown; 2, Jenner, Bullf., better col., but fails in polish to winner; 3, Rolis, Goldf., good feather, nice tanning and cond.; 4, Burley. GREENF. (2): 1, Jacobs, nice size and feather, good cond.; 2, Grant, better col., but smaller, and not so steady. A.O. FINCH (4): 1, sp, 2, 4, Grant, very nice Hlaw-luch, good bib, well staged, 2 equally nice yellow Bunting, good col. and feather; 3, Lucia, smart Bramble, nice col., trifle unsteady. REDPOLL, ETC. (4): 1, 2, Grant, nice Siskin, well laced cap, good col., 2 good Lesser Redpoll, nice bil., well shown; 3, 4, Hopkin, Siskin, hardly the col. of winner. LINNET (6): 1, sp, Grant, a real nice one, good col., size, and pencilling; 2, Miss Curling, another good one, hardly so nicely pencilled; 3, vhc, Edwards, good col., smaller; 4, hc, Rolis. SOFTBILL (3): 1, Monday, nice Jay, well shown, good feather and cond.; 2, Edwards, Blackbird, nice sheen, will improve; 3, Mrs. Smith, topping Song Thrush, has a clay missing, hard lines this. FOR. (9): 1, sp, 2, Jacob, nice Paradise Whydah, in good fettle, and pair Weavers, nice feather and cond.; 3, Miss Munday, pair Wax-bills, good order, well staged. SELLING, A.V. (10): 1, Roberts, yellow marked Norwich, nice type and cond.; 2, Monday, buff Yorkshire, nice style; 3, Hopkin, foul green Norwich, nice feather. SELL. (6): 1, Broadbridge; 2, Jenner; 3, Burges; 4, Monday.

SPRINGBURN, POSSIL PARK.

Fourth annual show, Reid Hall, Springburn, Dec. 5. Entries in some of the young classes were down from last year owing to bad breeding results, also to the Y.C.C. patronage show on same date. Young Norwich classes were extra good, varying from 10 to 19 per class; the record entry for one member was 37. The total entries, 390, showed an increase on last year of 46. Mr. A. Chalmers judged Norwich and Crests, Mr. D. Hamilton Borders and Yorks., Mr. R. Watson Mules, Brit., and For. Cup for best young bird bred by a member, Mr. Sloan's medal young Norwich rung 1914, also S.P.C. medal, were won by J. McLeod with yellow cock. Young Border cup was again won by J. Crawford with yellow hen; rung young Yorkshire cup, J. Pincock, with buff hen; Mule, Brit., and For. cup, J. McCorkisken, with a Blackbird; novice cup, best exhibit by a novice, A. Crawford, with varieg. buff Nor. cock; Mr. Webster's medal, runner-up, D. Morrison, with yell. Bord.; Mr. McMillan's gold medal for best old bird, C. Tansy, Yorks. yell. hen.

YOUNG BIRDS: NOR. YELL. (10): 1, McLeod; 2, Braid; 3, A. Crawford; 4, Downie; 5, Hadley; 6, Robertson. BUFF (18): 1, Clark; 2, McLeod; 3, Hadley; 4, Braid; 5, Robertson; 6, Taylor. VAR. OR GR. YELL. (7): 1, McLeod; 2, 5, A. Crawford; 3, Smith; 4, Downie; 6, J. Crawford. BUFF (6): 1, Swan; 2, 3, Downie; 4, Fyfe; 5, Smith; 6, Fraser. YELL. HEN (11): 1, J. Crawford; 2, 3, Braid; 4, 6, A. Crawford; 5, Downie. BUFF (13): 1, 3, Braid; 2, 4, Taylor; 5, Hadley; 6, Downie. VAR. OR GR. HEN YELL. (9): 1, Clark; 2, McLeod; 3, Braid; 4, Taylor; 5, Downie; 6, J. Crawford. BUFF (7): 1, Taylor; 2, 4, Downie; 3, 6, A. Crawford; 5, Clark. NON-FED CK. (2): 1, Braid; 2, Sloan. HEN (3): 1, Braid; 2, 3, Sloan. CREST CK. (2): 1, McMillan; 2, Lindsay. HEN (1): McMillan. BORD. YELL. (8): 1, 4, J. Crawford; 2, 5, Morrison; 3, 6, Brown. BUFF (4): 1, 2, 3, J. Crawford; 4, Penman. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 2, 3, 6, J. Crawford; 4, 5, Penman. BUFF (7): 1, 2, J. Crawford; 3, Morrison; 4, Swan; 5, Braid; 6, Penman. VAR. YELL. (7): 1, 4, J. Crawford; 2, 3, Morrison; 5, Swan; 6, Penman. BUFF (9): 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, Morrison; 5, Crawford. SELF. GR. OR CINN. (2): 1, 2, Swan. YORKS., CL. OR TKD. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Pincock; 3, Hunter; 4, Priest. BUFF (1): Tansy. YELL. HEN (2): 1, Pincock; 2, Priest. BUFF (5): 1, Pincock; 2, 4, 5, Hunter; 3, Priest. VARIEG. (4): 1, 2, Pincock; 3, Webster; 4, Hunter. MULE LIGHT (2): 1, 2, Webster. DK. (5): 1, 3, Taylor; 2, 4, Webster; 5, Corriksen. OLD BIRDS: NOR. YELL. (10): 1, 4, A. Crawford; 2, Taylor; 3, Fraser; 5, McMillan; 6, Anderson. BUFF (9): 1, A. Crawford; 2, 5, Sloan; 3, Braid; 4, McLeod; 6, Anderson. VAR. OR GR. YELL. (4): 1, 2, Taylor; 3, Sloan; 4, McNeish. BUFF (3): 1, A. Crawford; 2, Smith; 3, McNeish. HEN YELL. (9): 1, Sloan; 2, Smith; 3, Hadley; 4, A. Crawford; 5, McNeish; 6, McMillan. BUFF (8): 1, 6, Smith; 2, 5, Taylor; 3, Braid; 4, Sloan. VAR. OR GR. HEN YELL. (9): 1, Clark; 2, Taylor; 3, A. Crawford; 4, McMillan; 5, Braid; 6, Smith. BUFF (7): 1, 2, McLeod; 3, McMillan; 4, Fraser; 5, Taylor; 6, Smith. NON-FED (4): 1, Braid; 2, McLeod; 3, Hadley; 4, Fyfe. HEN (6): 1, Robertson; 2, Braid; 3, McMillan; 4, Hadley; 5, Smith; 6, Dunlop. CREST CK. (4): 1, 2, McMillan; 3, 4, Lindsay. C.B. (2): 1, 2, Lindsay. CREST HEN (2): 1, 2, Lindsay. C.B. (4): 1, 2, McMillan; 3, 4, Lindsay. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Hadley; 2, 4, Morrison; 3, Sloan. BUFF (3): 1, Sloan; 2, Swan; 3, Penman. HEN YELL. (2): 1, J. Crawford; 2, Morrison; 3, Hadley; 4, Swan. VAR. YELL. (5): 1, 2, Braid; 3, 4, Swan; 5, Morrison. BUFF (2): 1, Morrison; 2, Sloan. SELF. GR. OR CINN. (4): 1, Sloan; 2, Taylor; 3, 4, Swan. YORKS. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (4): 1, Pincock; 2, Penman; 3, Priest; 4, Tansy. BUFF (4): 1, Pincock; 2, Priest; 3, Penman; 4, Webster. CL. OR TKD. HEN YELL. (4): 1, 2, Tansy; 3, Pincock; 4, Webster. BUFF (2): 1, Pincock; 2, Penman. VAR. (4): 1, 3, Tansy; 2, Penman; 4, Hunter. MULE LIGHT (2): 1, 2, Sloan. DK. (6): 1, Webster; 2, Fearn; 3, Fraser; 4, Brown; 5, Fyfe. GOLDF. (5): 1, Fearn; 2, Webster; 3, Fyfe; 4, Dunlop; 5, Fraser. BULF. (6): 1, 5, Fearn; 2, Anderson; 3, Swan; 4, Brown. BULF. HEN (3): 1, Fraser; 2, Hadley; 3, Brown. LINNET (3): 1, Webster. SISKIN (6): 1, Hadley; 2, Swan; 3, Sloan; 4, Fraser; 5, Webster; 6, Anderson. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (5): 1, Webster; 2, Fearn; 3, Clark; 4, Brown; 5, J. Crawford. LESSER (7): 1, Priest; 2, Webster; 3, Dunlop; 4, Fraser; 5, Fearn; 6, Braid. GREENF. FED. (7): 1, 2, Fraser; 3, 5, Fearn; 4, Dunlop; 6, J. Crawford. NON-FED (14): 1, Webster; 2, J. Crawford; 3, Anderson; 4, 6, Fearn; 5, Priest. BUNTING (6): 1, Dunlop; 2, J. Crawford; 3, Fearn; 4, Webster; 5, Clark. CHAFFINCH OR BRAMBLE (14): 1, 3, Crawford; 2, Clark; 4, Anderson; 5, McNeish; 6, Dunlop. HEN (5): 1, 2, Fearn; 3, Webster; 4, Anderson. SOFTBILL (4): 1, cup, McCorriksen; 2, Webster; 3, Dunlop. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULF. (3): 1, Sloan; 2, Fraser. FOR. (1, 3, Webster; 2, Taylor.

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DONCASTER.

Fifth annual Doncaster show, Dec. 19, under the patronage of the Y.C.C., O.N.P.C., and the C.M.Y.C. The schedule provided solely for Yorks. and Norwich. The entry was 264, unfortunately a big drop from last year's total, but what was lacking in numbers was made up in quality, the "cream" being present, battling for the various trophies offered by the Specialist Clubs. Yorks. were great, gems of the very first waters being put down, both in champions and novices. Norwich were captivating. A glorious unlighted yellow cock is that owned by Mr. W. Crawshaw, the best we have seen as yet this season. In Mr. W. Blanchon the society possesses a most excellent show manager, who knows how to do it, and does it. Mr. G. Hunt, the worthy sec., is the right man in the right place, and controls capably. Stewards who acted promptly and efficiently were Messrs. Trueman, Cook, Evans, A. Smith, J. Simpson, W. Bescoy, Flint, Tonkinson, and Lumby. The large assembly room, attached to the Black Bull Hotel, Market Place, is very comfortable and of nice light and space; staging was very neat. Every bird could be seen at a glance. The open show of British and Mules is to be held on Jan. 9. The classification is grand, and British men should see what they can do to support such enterprise. Cup for most points in Norwich was won by A. Thomas; Nov. Nor., A. Howarth; Yorks., Ogdin Bros.; Nov. Yorks., Fisher and Dyson. Mr. H. W. Jantye judged.

YELL. YORKS. (7): 1, 4, Dykes, beautics, leader well known, mkd. wings and eyes, looking better than ever, a masterpiece, 4 cl., smooth as glass, straight as a rush, best of back and wings carr., pipe tail, hardly so lengthy; 2, Ogdin Bros., very finely drawn cl., capital feather and col., long sided, clever legs; 3, Dyson, cl., lengthy, well-up on leg, good back, flights, and tail, capital col., not so closely feathered; hc, Lingard; hc, Broadley. BUFF (9): 1, Dyson, cl., rich col., lengthy and erect, nicely filled in back, neat wing carr., full of style; 2, Dykes, cl., shapely, Al qual., neat expression, nice neck, tapering body, good wing carr., beaten a little in length and col.; 3, Thomas, cl., capitally fed, silky in texture, straight, nice length, somewhat low on leg, yet good 3rd; 4, hc, Ogdin Bros., cl., good length and pos.; vhc, King; c, Beaumont. YELL. HEN (5): 1, Ogdin Bros., not a feather wrong, rare pos. length and style; 2, 3, Casey, former mkd. wings and eyes, stands gracefully, good length and well on leg, not quite the qual. of winner, still very meritorious; 3 very lengthy cl., upright, good col. and feather, hit open at neck; 4, Blanchon; vhc, Lingard. BUFF (7): 1, c, Ogdin Bros., grizzled cheek, smooth as marble, straight as a pencil, lovely pos. and length; 2, Dyson, saddle mkd., capital feather, grand pos. and style, lengthy and shows well, not far away; 3, vhc, Hirst, cl., good qual. length and pos., thicker in waist, and little open on front; 4, Veitch; hc, Broadley. UNFLG. YELL. (11): 1, Self, cl., full of col. and qual., grand shape and length, beautiful back and wing carr., clever legs, real gem; 2, c, Bingham and Furness, cl., smooth as wax, slim, lengthy, and upstanding, superb feathering, we hit hat on head, yet one we liked; 3, hc, Ogdin Bros., lengthy cl., straight up, good in feather, hardly so nice in expression of head; 4, Hirst, mkd. back and cheek, red hot, straight and full of style, shade shorter; vhc, Lingard. BUFF (9): 1, Ogdin Bros., thick tkd., superb feather and col., slashing shape and length, grand tkd. flights, and tail, most promising; 2, Dykes, mkd. wings and head, excelling in qual., great length, stands like a guardsman, very close up; 3, Hirst, cl., well clothed, nice outline, clever legs, not so lengthy, still very pleasing; 4, Self, lengthy cl., good feather, nice hack and wing carr., well on leg, beaten a little in style; vhc, Bingham and Furness; hc, Beaumont; c, Jebson. HEN (7): 1, 3, Dykes, leader a magnificent cl. yell., neat and narrow, lengthy and stylish, smooth as marble, Al col. and finish, 3 huff, mkd. head, waxy, good pos. and length, well filled back; nice carr. of flights and tail, clever legs; 2, Ogdin Bros., cl. buff, feathered to perfection, sweet shape, capital length; 4, Towers; vhc, Veitch; hc, Jebson; c, Beaumont. NOV. YELL. YORKS., £5 6s. (11): 1, Wilman, red hot col., tight as a Java, rare length and pos., well on leg, would give a good account of itself in the "upper circles"; 2, Fisher and Dyson, cl., lovely feather and col., grandly drawn, fine back and wing carr., good legs, Al close up; 3, Ware, slim and very lengthy cl., Al col., full of style, not quite so compact in feather; 4, Cliff, cl., ablaze with col., rich feather, good length, wild and would not show; vhc, Radley; hc, Ozelton; c, Sugden. BUFF (12): 1, Studd, wedge-shaped cl., superior clothing, capital pos. and length, nervy, and well put down; 2, vhc, Ware, grizzled neck, silky in feather, good length and pos., not quite so well filled in at back, still neat; 3, Sugden, mkd. wings and head, lengthy, nice pos., good head and neck, capital wing carr.; 4, hc, Dibb, mkd. head and neck, rare qual., nice col. and length, stands well; vhc, Ware; c, Fisher and Dyson. HEN (11): 1, 3, Fisher and Dyson, buff mkd. roof of tail and neck, smooth as glass, straight and lengthy, good legs, full of nerve; 3 cl. buff, true character, grandly feathered, Al col., not far behind; 2, vhc, Fisher, G. H., cl. yell., lovely feather, not hot, but taking length and outline; 4, Lodge, yell., wing mkd., tight as a Java, true pos., good col., smart; hc, Dibb; c, Firth. UNFLG. (15): Nice class; 1, Wilman, buff, mkd. neck, lovely qual.; best of pos., very lengthy and leggy, stylish to a degree; 2, Ozelton, cl. yell., wonderful length, straight as a rush, nice col., bit harsh in feather, yet good one; 3, Cliff, very smart cl. buff, good in col., and character, not so lengthy; 4, Evans, cl. yell., rare length, silky in texture, good pos., rather free in feather around thighs; vhc, Fisher and Dyson; hc, Potts; c, Leng. CINN. TKD. YELL. (7): 1, 3, 4, c, Towers, gems, 1 mkd. wing, lovely col. and feather, grand length and pos., well on leg, 3 mkd. wing head and tail, red hot, superb feather, nice pos., well on leg, shade shorter; 2, Morrison, mkd. wings and eyes, Al qual. and col., lengthy and leggy, well filled back, neat wings and tail; vhc, Thomas; hc, Atkinson and Firth. BUFF (6): 1, 3, Morrison, mkd. wings and head, exquisite col. and feather, capital pos. and length, leggy, and shows well, 3 mkd. wing and head, tecming with qual. and col., nicely drawn, full of style, shorter; 2, 4, Atkinson and Firth, mkd. wing and head, rattling qual., rich col., grand pos. and length, stronger; vhc, Towers; hc, Ogdin Bros. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Ogdin Bros., mkd. wing and head, nice smooth as wax, neat and narrow, straight up, nice length and style, wins well; 2, Morrison, mkd. wings and head, lengthy and leggy, well clothed, Al col., full of style, very close up; 3, Towers, mkd. wings and eyes, capital feather and col., good pos., nice length, beaten in style; 4, Studd; vhc, Atkinson and Firth. BUFF (6): 1, hc, Morrison, mkd. wings and head, superior feather and col., nice pos. and length, well on leg, very choice; 2, Thomas, mkd. wing and head, Al qual. and col., good back and wing carr., very close up; 3, Ogdin Bros., mkd. wings, good in feather and col., nice length, fair pos.; 4, Towers. NOV. YELL. (9): 1, 4, Crawshaw, former mule size in build, grand shape, lovely col. and feather, jaunty

carr.; 2, 3, vhc, Thomas, 2 monster, slashing shape and car., clean cut away, beaten in col. only, 3 mkd. neck, all type, fed, and feathered to perfection, best of wing carr., not quite so large; hc, Wilson; c, Hirst. BUFF (9): 1, 4, Hirst, cl., abundance of subs., grand col. and frosting, lovely shape and carr.; 2, Crawshaw, very shapely var., capital feather and col., jaunty, in the pink, beaten in subs.; 3, Cook, cl., great size, marvellous col. and qual., well known winner, not looking so well to-day; vhc, hc, c, Thomas. YELL. HEN (7): 1, vhc, Thomas, cl., majestic proportions, richly gowned, gandy col., grand shape and carr.; 2, Cook, mkd. wing and eye, rare feather, lovely head, neck, and chest, clean cut away, hardly so rich in col.; 3, 4, Crawshaw, cl., cobby, excellent col., moves nicely, not the subs. or qual.; vhc, Thomas; hc, Blanchon; c, Wilson. BUFF (8): 1, 3, c, Thomas, bounding cl., best of stage, delightful feather and col., in grand form, well staged, 3 shapely cl., light as wax, Al col. and carr.; 2, Cook, lightly var., superb qual. and col., neat frosted, sweet shape, and clean under, very close up; 4, Thomas; vhc, Robinson; hc, Crawshaw. UNFLG. YELL. (9): 1, 2, vhc, Crawshaw, winner cl., excelling all through, hard to find fault with, with neck has a great future, 2 cl., rattling shape and col., beautiful expression, clean cut away, not quite so rich in qual.; 3, Waters, mkd. wing and head, lovely col. and feather, very shapely, beaten in subs. only; 4, Hirst, mkd. wing and head, cobby, delightful qual. and col.; hc, Foxon; c, Ducker and Twigg. BUFF (12): 1, 4, Crawshaw, red hot col., marvellous subs., rattling shape and carr., splendidly feathered, will want stopping, 4 warmly fed and richly clothed cl., short and thick set, not a feather misplaced; 2, Thomas, grand col. cl., silky feather, hardly so good in head and neck, good body and wing carr., not far away; 3, Hirst, grizzled tail, lovely shape and subs., nice feather, pale in col., which tells against it; vhc, Morrell; hc, Waters; c, Foxon. HEN (12): 1, Cook, buff, mkd. wing and head, delightful shape, tecming with qual. and col., well up in size, dainty carr.; 2, Thomas, buff, tkd. over beak, not quite so thick through, wonderful feather and col., plenty of size; 3, 4, Foxon, cobby cl. yell., rich in col., nicely feathered, smart, 4 yell., mkd. wing and eye, Al col. and qual., rare head, neck, and chest, neat wing carr.; vhc, Wilson; hc, Crawshaw; c, Twine. NOV. YELL. (8): 1, Brown, mkd. cheek soft silky texture, good col., bit down, we thought lucky to heat 2, Bradley, mkd. wing, full of col. and qual., very shapely, good carr., not so large, but better cond.; 2, Day, cl., superior qual. and col., nice shape, not the subs., yet one we liked; 4, Evans, W., massive cl., rattling type, nice col.; vhc, Evans; G.; hc, Stafford; c, Deage. BUFF (13): 1, Howarth, cl., rare subs., well fed and smartly clothed, shapely, nice carr., clean cut; 2, Brown, cl., capital type, not quite the size or col., still not far behind; 3, Evans, G., grizzled roof of tail, well up in size, shapely, not so large; 4, Stothard, lightly varieg., warm col., short and thick set, right for qual., wee bit loose behind; vhc, Evans, W.; hc, Bradley; c, Day. HEN (17): Nice class; 1, hc, Lewis and Coulson, yell. mkd. eyes, full of col. and qual., fine size and shape, grand wing carr., beauty; 2, Howarth, var. buff, rattling col. and qual., light as wax, shapely, not the size; 3, Cundiff, very large yell., good shape and feather, not the col., rather soiled; 4, Wall, buff, tkd. roof of tail, all there for shape, col., and qual., jaunty carr., on the small side; hc, Faux; c, Kabery. UNFLG. (14): 1, Kabery, buff, grizzled neck, grand type, well up in subs., richly fed, delightful feather, gem, good enough for open classes; 2, Faux, richly clothed and warmly fed cl. yell., cobby build, nice carr., pressed hard; 3, Bradley, red hot cl. buff, short and thick set, Al qual., not over big, but very nice; 4, Flint, cl. yell., good head and neck, bold front, nice wing carr.; vhc, Stothard; hc, Watson and Hollingsworth; c, Evans.

WOOLSTON F. AND F.A.

Sixth annual show, Dec. 16 and 17, Victoria Hall, with a very nice collection, although several classes were amalgamated. Norwich and Yorkshires were very good, as also was the Goldfinch class. Mr. G. T. Webb judged.

NOR. CL. (9): 1, Welch, nice yell., good col., not over large; 2, C. W. Silk, uflig. buff, very good shape and col.; 3, Silk, big yell., good head and neck, real good bird, but a little rough in feather; vhc, Silk, Foyle. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, Welch, yell., good qual., rather long sided; 2, C. E. Silk, very neat yell.; 3, C. W. Silk, eye tkd. yell., good subs., some thought might have been higher; vhc, Foyle, White. HEN (6): 1, C. W. Silk, rattling, good yell., capital shape and cond.; 2, Welch, very neat buff, worth its place; 3, C. E. Silk, good qual. yell., good col.; vhc, White, Welch. YORKS. YELL. (6): 1, Matthews, very smart and slim, well shown; 2, Oakley, not so slim as winner, we thought might have given way to 3, C. E. Silk, very smart bird; vhc, Adams, Yates; hc, Yates. BUFF (8): 1, Adams, very nice buff, stands well, wins; 2, Gamble, good feather, smart and well shown; vhc, Yates; hc, Gamble, Snowden. TKD., ETC. (5): 1, Matthews, head tkd. yell., fine cond., good style and col.; 2, Bousfield, good bird, perhaps not quite so long, but in grand form; 3, Yates, fine big yell.; vhc, White; hc, Adams. HEN (7): 1, Adams, grand yell., good shape and style; 2, Bousfield, also a good yell., well up; 3, Egerton, varieg. buff; vhc, Gamble; hc, Matthews, Oakley. UNFLG. (7): 1, Bousfield, large yell., rather stout; 2, Egerton, close up, rare col.; 3, Yates, mkd. yell., good col. and cond.; vhc, hc, Gamble. MULE (8): 1, 3, Hartnell, both Goldf.-Can., winner wins by size; 3, Lomer, also Goldf., smart bird; hc, Patterson. SELL. (1): C. W. Silk; 2, Foyle; vhc, Bousfield, Medina; c, Welch. NOR. NOV.: 1, 3, Welch; 2, Medina. YORKS.: 1, Etheridge; 2, 3, Winter. GOLDF. (9): 1, C. E. Silk, grand face, wins by size only; 2, C. W. Silk, another smart Finch, fails a little in size, both good birds; 3, Marsh; vhc, Marsh, Foyle; hc, Silk, Foyle. A.O. HARD. (6): 1, Lomer; 2, Bousfield; 3, Vale; vhc, Vale. LINNET GREENF., ETC. (5): 1, Melhuish, Linnet; 2, Welch, Greenf.; 3, Haines, Redpoll; hc, Bousfield, Vale. FOR. (5): 1, Bousfield, Green Cardinal; 2, Bousfield, Black-headed Goldians; 3, Lacey, Red-crested Cardinal.

BURNLEY O.S.

Third Annual Show, Star Inn, Church Street. CL. ETC. YELL. CK.: 1, Spencer; 2, vhc, hc, T. Lingard; 3, Catlow; c, T. Chadwick. BUFF: 1, Spencer; 2, 3, c, T. Lingard; vhc, Moorhouse; hc, Chadwick. YELL. HEN: 1, Chadwick; 2, T. Lingard; 3, Hines. BUFF: 1, T. Lingard; 2, Catlow; 3, Spencer; vhc, Chadwick; hc, c, Moorhouse. UNFLG. YELL. CL.: 1, T. Lingard; 2, Hargreaves; 3, Spencer; vhc, Broxup; hc, Catlow. BUFF: 1, 2, T. Lingard; 3, Hargreaves; vhc, West; hc, Pallison; c, Spencer. GITT: 1, Spencer; 2, Lingard; 3, Broxup. UNFLG. YELL. HEN: 1, Catlow; 2, Hines; BUFF: 1, Hargreaves; 2, 3, Catlow. BRIT. HARDBILL: 1, 2, 3, hc, c, Holden; vhc, Hargreaves. A.O.V. CAN. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 2, Holden; 3, Catlow; vhc, Moorhouse; cup and medal best bird, T. Lingard; runner-up, Spencer; best novice, Spencer; 2, Hargreaves; 3, Chadwick; most points nov., Spencer; best in gilt, Spencer; 2, Lingard; most points Brit., Holden; 2, Hargreaves; T. Chadwick.

MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

HALIFAX C.B.S. Show of hens, King Cross Bann...
WINNERS: OPEN YORKS: Priestley, Saville. NOV.: Mitchell, Gelder, Child. NOR: Corney.

BOWLING B.F.A.—Nov. 28, 66 birds. Mr. C. E. Walker judged. Principal winners: CHAMP: Atkinson and Firth, Padgett, Casey, Robinson. NOV.: Hodgson, Sharp, Pownall, Wood and Miffield, Wardman.

DARLINGTON C.B.S.—Nov. 28, George Hotel. 71 entries. Mr. T. Wright judged. Principal winners: YORKS.: Reynolds, Stephenson, Carter, Stottard. NOR.: Carter, Reynolds, Stephenson. A.O.V.: Todd, Heathfield. MULES: Todd, Robinson. BRIT.: Heathfield, Forster, Robinson, Todd.

BRADFORD WEST C.B.A.—Nov. 25, 46 birds. Judges, Messrs. F. Self and W. Dewhurst. Principal winners: CHAMP YORKS.: Clegg, G. Bennett, Ratcliffe, Kirk, Whitwam, Midgley. NOV.: M'EWen, Neeson, Rhodes, Aekroyd, Terry, Butterfield, Oates. Sp. best yell. Clegg, Bull, Midgley.

DEWSBURY C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Little Saddle Hotel. 104 entries. Judge, Mr. M. Peel. F. Clough won sp. best nov. bird. Principal winners: Clegg, Clough, Pollard, Hodgson, Taylor, Dutton, Rayner, Broadbent, Slaw, Halstead, Lemon.

PUDSEY STANNINGLEY C.B.S.—Nov. 20, Flecco Hotel. 72 birds; judge, Mr. S. Wilcock. Points winners: Marsh 28, Aekroyd 22, Page 20, Raistrick 15, Taylor 15, Forrest 13. These were also the principal class winners.

WIBSEY C.B.S.—Nov. 28, Horse and Groom, 60 entries; judge, Mr. A. Jowett. Principal winners: Crowther, Chapman, Sittelle, Wilkinson Bros., Batty, Farrer, Hanson, Mann.

BINGLEY O.S.—Nov. 28, Assembly Rooms; judge, Mr. R. Halliday. Principal winners: Priestley, A. Craven, Townley, Butterworth and Hardy, F. Craven, Bailey.

KEIGHLEY C.B.S.—In aid of Local Distress Fund, Nov. 21, 145 entries. Mr. T. Bennett judged. Principal winners:—YORKS.: J. Smith, Scaife, S. Smith, J. Middleton, Burnett, E. Middleton, Naylor, Leach, Trevenar, Slater. NOV. YORKS.: Booth, Harding, Harrison, Moore, W. Smith. A.O.V.: Booth, Watson. Points: S. Smith 16, J. Middleton 15, R. Scaife 15, W. Fawcett 12, W. Leach 10, E. Middleton 10, A. Williams 10, A. Naylor 7. Novice: A. Harrison 14, W. Smith 12, J. Harding 11, J. Moore 11, G. Booth 6. —C. W. Tewn, Hon. Sec.

SOUTHEAST AND S. COUNTIES C.B.S.—Nov. 18-19, Blue Boar Hotel, Prittlewell. Over 150 entries. Mr. Howe, Westcliff, judged. C. Hume won challenge cup. Principal winners:—CHAMP. YORKS.: Hume, Patrick, Cundy, Nicholls. NOV. YORKS.: Askew, Aulman, Deer. CHAMP. NOR.: Cundy. NOV. NOR.: Askew, Deer, Bates, Blows. NON-FED.: Capp, Collins. MULES: Collins, Bates. BRIT.: Hume, Bates, Cundy. Special winners: Askew, Blows, Cundy, Deer, Nicholls, Patrick, Hume.

WIGAN ROLLER C.C.—Nov. 21, Queen's Head. Mr. W. Massey judged. Principal winners:—YOUNG BIRDS: 1, sp. Unsworth, 29 pts.; 2, sp. Mather, 25; 3, sp. Greenall, 22. OLD BIRDS: 1, 2, 3, Smith, 27, 25, 21 pts.—P. Greenall, Sec.

ROTHERHAM.—Nov. 21, Mall Coach Inn. Entry was a record for the society, and quality was very high. Mr. J. C. Barnes judged. Special winners:—Cups, best unfed. Nor., Turner, 5th time, the cup now becoming his own; best Yorks., Brotherton; most points for season, Brotherton; Ramsden's, Stafford; other specials, Webster, Hunt, Allott. Principal class winners: YORKS.: Brotherton, Wall. NOR.: Wall, Webster, Taylor, Brotherton, Bagnall, Hunt, Turner, Stafford. BRIT.: Jones, Allott.

CASTLEFORD. The Castleford and Dist. Linnet Club held weekly contest at George and Dragon, Bridge-street, Dec. 19, for time singing. Winners: S. Morley, 1; J. Wainwright and J. Cooper share 2 and 3.—S. Morley, Sec.

PONTEFRACT. Weekly Linnet contest held Woodman Inn, Horse-fair, Dec. 19. Three minutes' time singing; 24 birds entered for three prizes, and some good singing was done. 1st, Pugh, 125; 2nd, 3rd, Beard, 69, 56. Open sing Dec. 20; 20 birds entered for three prizes. 1st, Beard, 65; 2nd, Piper, 45; 3rd, Pugh, 40.—S. Pugh, Sec.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES. Pontypridd (Glam.)—Lesser Town Hall, Jan. 6. Judge, C. A. House. 20 cl.; Nor., 4; Yorks, 4; A.O.V., 2 (Nov.); Mules, 1; Bord., 1; Brit., 6; Sell, 1; For., 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. cl. Dec. 30 to A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser-st., Maesycod, Pontypridd.

Aberdare (Glam.)—Market Hall, Jan. 7. Judge, J. H. Jones. 12 cl.; Nor., 1; Yorks., 1; A.O.V., 1; Nat. Col., 1; Brit., 3; non-winners, 1; Foul Gr., 1; Mule, 1; Sell, 1; Gift, 1. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Ent. to J. M. S. James, Pomeria, Abernart-rd.

Driffield C.B.S.—Temperance Hall, Jan. 8. Judge, J. C. Barnes. 25 cl. Prizes, 8/-, 4/-, 2/-. Fee, 1/-. For classification see advt. Ent. cl. Jan. 4 to W. Wallis, 4, River Head, Driffield.

Glasgow Scotch Fancy Association.—Union Halls, W. Nile-st., Jan. 2. Judges, D. Black, G. Fulton, A. Livingstone, N. O'Donnell, R. Menzie, A. Nisbet. 20 cl. (3 sell.). Prizes, 12/-, 9/-, 6/-, 3/-. Fee, 2/-. Ent. cl. Dec. 28 to A. M'Lauchlan, 2, Alexandria-terr., Govan.

Doncaster.—Jan. 9, in Black Bull Hotel. Classes: Mules and Hyb. 5, Brit. 12, For. 2. Judge, Mr. J. Maddison. Prizes, 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. Fee, 1/6. Entries close Jan. 4 to G. Hunt, Sec., 19, The Crescent, Balby-road, Doncaster.

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Questions and Answers.

DOUBTS AND DIFFICULTIES SOLVED BY SPECIALISTS

FOR RULES SEE LAST WEEK'S ISSUE.

CANARY QUERIES Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

SHELLING SEED (A. E. A.).—Try the following treatment for, say, a month, and if not quite successful write again and say whether the bird is kept in a warm room. Give plain Canary only as staple diet. In addition give separately half a teaspoonful of dry summer rape and a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with two drops of cod liver oil emulsion and four of sherry well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed every second day, and on the alternate days give a small teaspoonful of scalded rape and a morsel of bread and milk sprinkled with soft sugar. Give a small spray of watercress daily, and a pinch of the mixed seed twice a week. You may also stick a small cube of hard common table salt in the wires for the bird to peck at when it likes. In the drinking water add 20 drops of Chemical Food every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of whisky, six of tincture of gentian, and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the dosage of the first two weeks in the same order.

STILL MOPING (Mrs. Hamilton).—I'm afraid the fact that the bird is still losing some feathers is indicative of some adverse influences being at work. Make yourself quite sure that it is not exposed to occasional cold draughts, sudden extremes of temperature, or exhalations of burning lights in the evenings. Keep in a fairly equable temperature, which need not be very warm. Give a staple of plain canary seed only. Give separately every second day half a teaspoonful of scalded summer rape and a morsel of banana, and on the alternatedays give a similar quantity of crushed sponge cake with four drops of sherry and two of cod liver oil emulsion well mixed in it, and sprinkled with maw seed, and a spray of some green salad if you can get such in a fit condition to use. If green food is not available, give as a substitute a pinch of the seed mixture previously advised on these days. If green food is given then give a small teaspoonful of the mixed seed twice a week only. In the drinking water add 20 drops

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should consult St. John's "Canary Breeding for Beginners" (7d.); House's "Canary Manual" (1/2); Batty's "Yorkshire Canaries" (1/1); House's "Norwich Canaries" (1/1); Weston's "Stock Book" (7d.); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); Norman's "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); Ramsden's "Colour-feeding" (3d.); "Seeds and Foods for Cage Birds" (1/2); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 5 "The Pet Canary," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 10 "The Roller," No. 23 "The Border Fancy," No. 24 "Green Canaries." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

of Chemical Food every second day for a week, and in the next week give instead 20 drops of whisky, ten of lemon juice, and six of glycerine every second day. In the third and fourth weeks repeat the doses of the two first weeks in the same order.

SEED SAMPLES (W. Kay).—The samples reached me in what appeared to be a very mixed up condition, though the packages were quite intact, so I take it they were sent off in that state. Each contains a variety of seeds, yet neither is a proper or judicious mixture. No. 1 consists chiefly of canary, of fair size and moderate quality. There is a small proportion of summer rape, but not sufficient to estimate its quality; a slight sprinkling of teazle, and a distinct proportion of linseed, much too large for any staple diet. No. 2 consists of canary of very good quality, and good size and flavour. It contains summer rape and linseed, to which the remarks in No. 1 apply equally here. No. 3 consists chiefly of summer rape, well matured and mild, and of good all-round quality. There is a fair sprinkling of canary seed and linseed—too much of the latter, and a few stray grains of a variety of weeds. There is nothing at all in these seeds that indicates any danger to the health of the birds fed upon them, if used in proper proportions. I would suggest that you eliminate the linseed entirely; give only plain canary for staple diet, and give all other seeds as extras, and separately, as you may frequently see advised in this column, and if your losses continue, then get a post-mortem on one of the bodies to ascertain the real cause of death.

ENLARGED STOMACHS (F. D.).—The bird's trouble is undoubtedly congestion of the liver, which is probably the result of errors of feeding. Give a staple diet of plain canary seed only, with a fairly liberal supply of green salad daily—watercress, for example, but see that it is quite free from frosted or decayed portions. Twice a week give half a teaspoonful of scalded rape, and once a week a pinch of a mixture of equal parts niger, teazle and millet. Limit the diet strictly to this for a month or so. During the first week add to the drinking water six drops of syrup of rhubarb and as much Epsom salts as will cover a sixpence every second day. After this give instead a crystal of sulphate of soda the size of a small pea, ditto of sulphate of iron half as big, and six drops of dilute sulphuric acid dissolved in each two tablespoonfuls of drinking water every second day for a fortnight, then miss a week and give it again for another fortnight.

OVER-EATING (A. J., Cricklewood).—(1) If your birds are so ravenous as to engorge themselves habitually whilst flying together in a large cage, I'm afraid there is nothing else you can do to prevent it, but limiting the seed supply. There is not much risk of them eating husks—that act is more apparent than real. Anyway, as it is somewhat unusual to find such universal greed in these circumstances, I suspect there must be something else wrong somewhere. Try the following method for a week or two, and see if that alters matters. Give an unlimited supply of plain canary seed in the seed-box. Every second day give separately half a teaspoonful of dry summer rape per bird, not more, and a good sized spray of watercress. On the alternate days give a

small supply of sweet apple or banana, allowing a piece about the size of a large hazel nut to each bird, and cut it into several portions and place in various parts of the cage to prevent quarrelling. Add six drops of dilute sulphuric acid to each ounce of drinking water daily for three or four days, but afterwards discontinue the use of all drugs in the water. Report result of this treatment in the course of a month or so. (2) It is not possible to tell what is wrong with the leg without close examination. If a valuable bird, you might get a veterinary surgeon to look at it and advise you. It is just possible that it may have been broken, and a "false joint" formed, in which case amputation is probably the only remedy. But as it appears to be all right in other respects, my advice is to leave well alone.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

BREEDING CAGES (Amateur).—A series running into three or four issues was published in CAGE BIRDS earlier in the year from my pen, and you would do well to send to the office for the parts containing the article. I think the Nos. of the issues are 651, 652, 653, 654, 655 and 656. Space will not permit of full details here. You must note that foreign Finches do not breed as freely as Canaries. The latter are domesticated species, while breeding foreign Finches is about parallel with attempting to breed British Finches under the same conditions. Both are wild species, and herein lies the reason for the difficulty. Those you are most likely to have success with are: Zebra, Rihnon, and Bib Finches, Silverbills, White Java, Sparrows, Bengalese, Grey Singing Finches, and Budgerigars. With these you should obtain ultimately some success. Other probable breeders are: Bichenov's Finches, Diamond Sparrows, Long-tailed Greenfinches, Crimson Finches, Avadavats, Orange-checked Waxbills, Alario Finches, and St. Helena Waxbills. I have only named those with which success has been attained in cages, in some cases success has been but once attained. I think you had better choose your birds from the first group for a beginning, and your prospects would be better if you could give cages double the length, which would enable you to screen nest receptacle at one end in a bunch of heather, or

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/4); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Gouldian Finches," No. 16 "Avadavats," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Budgerigars," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Waxbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

some other form of small twiggy branch. The above are seedeaters, but soft food and also green food ad lib must be supplied when they are feeding young. If above is not sufficient, ask specific questions on your doubtful points.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

SHOW CAGE FOR BLACKCAP (Sam).—A Blackcap of good size and feather is a very useful bird to exhibit, and frequently gets in the money. A cage fourteen inches long, twelve high, and seven deep would be quite suitable to exhibit him in. The food and water vessels should be placed inside, on swing doors in the front rail of the cage. A good colour for the interior and front bars would be a middle tone of green, rather inclined to brightness, a fresh laurel leaf is as near the required tone as possible. Your

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should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Avaries, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each): No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnets," No. 3 "Skylarks," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Ebullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Birdrooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mout British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

old bird will not commence to sing until he is quite through the moult. (2) Give your Mule a mild aperient such as a teaspoonful of effervescent citrate of magnesia in three tablespoonfuls of water; an occasional dose will be sufficient. Bathe the foot in fairly warm water and massage with the finger and thumb, first dipping them in Elliman's embrocation, weakened by the addition of half the quantity of salad oil. Keep the cage floor and perches thoroughly clean and dry.

TREATMENT OF BLACKCAP (Blackcap).—As a staple food you will find a good brand of insectile food much more satisfactory than soaked biscuits. Although not particularly tender, the Blackcap must be considered to be one of our delicate warblers. A thoroughly healthy specimen is always a pleasurable pet, and I feel sure in the long run it would pay you to treat him well. (2) In making any

Owing to the necessity of going to press earlier this week, many answers to questions cannot be published until our next issue.—Editor.

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Atrincham Open C.B.S.—Dec. 30, Station Cafe, 8. Sec's report on the progress of society; members requested to attend.—C. Bailey.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Dec. 26, Shoulder of Mutton, Members' show; birds staged 10.30. Judge, J. Bailey. Entries might previous.—F. P. Terry.

City of Bradford O.S.—Dec. 26, Flying Dutchman, 11. Final members' show. Judge, Mr. M. Broadley. —W. Helliwell.

Darvel C.B.S.—Jan. 12, 7.30. Table show of Canaries; judge, G. Alston. Buff Bord., Yell. Bord., Nor. cock, Nor. hen, A.O.V. Can., Boys' class, A.V. Can.—J. Fairfull.

Dewsbury C.B.S.—Dec. 24, Little Saddle Hotel, 7.30. Entries for Boxing Day show; birds staged 11. Judge, Mr. H. W. Batty, Huddersfield.—L. Barker.

East Ardsley and C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Black Swan, 1. Members' show; birds staged 1. Judge, Mr. P. Jowett.—H. Cockrem.

Falkirk Good Intent C.B.A.—Dec. 26, Shop, 60, Graham's Road, 7.30. General meeting. Paying over prize money and presenting cup to successful competitor.—W. Clarkson.

Halifax O.S.—Dec. 26, Plummet Line Hotel, 2.50. Annual members' show. Judge, Mr. A. Jowett, Queensbury. Entries taken before staging. Judging competition 4 to 6. Special meeting 6.50. Ro social in Feb., a good turn-up requested.—H. Clegg.

Hull C.B.S.—Dec. 28, Oldfellows' Hall, 7.45. To receive money for all tickets sold; unsold tickets to be handed in. Dec. show balance-sheet to go through.—W. Furnandiz.

Leeds C.B.S.—Dec. 26, St. George's Schools, St. George's Street (near Infirmary). Members' show; birds staged 9.50, open 1.30. Judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill, Bradford.—G. Norton.

Linton and Woodhorn C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Hirst A-lington Social Club, 7.30. Arrangements for show and other important bus.—J. Anderson.

Midland Roller C.C.—No meeting this month owing to the holidays. Members please note.—T. J. Smith.

Newcastle East End C.B.S.—Dec. 29, Foster's Victoria Cafe, Shields Road, 7.30. Auditors to be elected. Secretary's report on show.—J. W. Contts.

Poplar C.B.S.—Dec. 31, All Hallows' Schoolroom, E. India Dock Road, Poplar, 8. Lecture on Softbills, and general bus.—F. H. Marhoff.

Porth and Rhondda C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Headquarters, 7. Show business.—J. S. Jones.

Provincial Roller C.C.—Jan. 1, Joiners' Arms Hotel, Bolton.—A. Percival.

Rochdale O.C.—Dec. 28, Club, Clarke's Place, 8.—J. Butterworth.

Sacriston P.F.R. and C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea Rooms, Sacriston, 5.30. Taking subs. and entries for members' show Jan. 2. Members and intending members please attend.—W. Dodd.

Spai Valley C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Commercial Hotel, Members' show. Birds staged 10.30 a.m.; judge, Mr. T. Ogden, Bradford. Specials galore.—S. B. Gray-shon.

S. Shields.—Dec. 24, Cyprus, 7.—W. L. Smith.

Stockport and Hazel Grove B.F.A.—Dec. 29, Trinity House, Shaw Heath, 8. Classification for table show.—W. Stafford.

Tong C.B.S.—Dec. 26, Hand and Shuttle Inn, Dudley Hill. Last members' show of season. Birds staged 1. Judge, Mr. T. Bentley, Cleckheaton. Subs. due.—W. Walker.

Wanstead F. and F.S.—Dec. 28, Cambridge Park Hall, Wanstead, 8. Ann. gen. meeting and distribution of prize money and specials won at annual show.—H. S. Lofthouse.

West Bromwich C.B.S.—Dec. 29, Dartmouth Hotel, 8.30. Election of officers.—W. G. Andrews.

Wibsey C.B.A.—Dec. 26, Horse and Groom, 10 a.m. Last members' show of year. Judge, Mr. H. W. Walsh, Halifax.—W. Chapman.

Windhill C.B.S.—Dec. 29, Blue Bell Hotel, S. Entries taken for open show, 8 to 11. Subs. due.—Taylor and Ellis.

mixture, tea biscuits would be preferable to puppy biscuits, providing they were not too sweet. "Osbornes" are about the best for general use. Plenty of ripe fruit is good for the Blackcap, but while you can procure ripe pears and wild berries you should use these, saving the bananas until later. I have never found any harm come to the Blackcap from the use of the latter fruit. I hang one in the cage and peel back an inch or so daily. (3) Gentles should be placed in bran or dry sand to clean before they are given to the birds. To prevent them developing, keep as cool as possible. (4) I have never heard of the Nightingale and Blackcap breeding together; my experience is that those ardent aviculturists who have tried to breed either species in captivity have found it quite difficult enough without attempting to cross them, but still there is no reason why you should not have a try, if you feel inclined. The feeding is the great trouble, you would want to keep as near to nature as possible.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

R. Wilson.—Where is the method of Linnet catching that you describe put into practice?

B. Benton.—We do not think birds (unfortunately, however, you do not say what species they are) would come to any harm through copper-coated steel wire.

John Thorne.—We cannot answer your question until you tell us what kind of birds you keep, and how you are feeding them.

POST MORTEM.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 21s. Subjects for post-mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter-post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

CASARIES, wanted all varieties for cash; state lowest price; approval before payment: 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (1958)

WANTED all kinds Canaries and other birds for export: Emporium, 176b, High-st., Camden Tube Station, London. (1910)

WANTED, singing Mules, 5/- each, hen 1/3; also from 4 others, British: Hobbs, 141, King's-rd., Camden Town, London. (1958)

WANTED, hen Canaries or poultry; exchange to tin of the best caride of calcium: Ketley, 99, Wayman-st., Sunderland. (1960)

WANTED, Canaries; portrait lens, 22/6; cycle, less tyres, 15/-; 4 stamp camera, 7/6; Hart, Kingsley-rd., Elmwood, Port. (1959)

WANTED pair Norwich or H.M. Goldfinches; exchange concertina, or sell 20/-; yours first: Hirst, 26, Nelson-rd., Hkley. (1957)

WANTED cock Nun, cock Nutsing Finch, and pair Orange Waxbills, good price for tame birds: House, Walsley, Kildermister. (1954)

WANTED, dealers who can take large or small quantities of Linnets, all kinds of British: Chris. Dalton, 31, Richmond-st., Brighton. (1956)

WANTED for cash, single breeding pair, 12/6; approval, or double, 4/0 here: Phillips, Donnington, Moreton-in-Marsh, Glos. (1957)

WARRANTED house moulted cock Linnets and clear hen Canary, 4/6 pair; or exchange for cock Border: Taylor, 33, Prospect-terrace, Aberdeen. (1958)

WANTED, free singing loud Skylark, nesting on branch, fair price for good birds, no rubbish; deposit: Wardle, Little Duke-st., Stamford-st., London, S.E. (1954)

WANTED, Goldfinches; exchange 2 aviary-moulted cock Linnets and Norwich hen (bred Miles), and good cock Linnets Mule (1914): Harpham, Printer, Spilsby, Lincs. (1959)

WANTED, large Jonque cock Siskin, also large Siberian hen Bullfinch; exchange Goldfinch-Bullfinch Hybrid cock, 1914, colour fed, or sell 3/-; approval; birds first: Potter, Handy Cross, Bideford. (1957)

WANTED, exhibition Norwich Plainhead cock; exchange 50 parts of Picturesque Europe, by Cassell and Co., illustrated with steel plate engravings, cost £3; Cook, Dun-diu, Florence-rd., Shanklin, I. of W. (1957)

NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire coloured preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, Bullfinches, Goldfinches, and Linnets; reasonable for cash: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1957)

WANTED 500 Mules, Goldfinch, Linnets, or Siskin, for prompt cash, either sex, money same day as birds arrive, and no waiting; thousands of testimonials for prompt payment: C. Merrington, Bird Specialist, 40, Besson-st., New Cross Gate, S.E. (1957)

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Any quantity Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, Yorkshire Canaries, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc.; send on, best market prices given per return post; established 50 years: Sandford, 89, Selater-st., Shore-ditch, London; also at Preston. (1957)

Wanted, Hen Canaries

18/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or puppies; cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1907)

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LARGE 1914 cock Greenfinch Mule, can win; exchange large, typical bun Norwich cock, on approval: Eccles, Rhosymedre, Raubon. (1959)

EXCHANGE cock Greenfinch, hen Redpoll; proved breeders; two cock Redpolls for hen Canaries or cages: Robson, Exeter-st., West Hartlepool. (1960)

HAWFINCH cock, good condition, best novice class, 1913 Birmingham, also other wins, members; exchange for two typical Norwich hens: Derry, Dawlish-rd., Bournbrook, Birmingham. (1953)

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EXCHANGE, 3 Yorkshires, hens, for good British, or sell, 3/6 each: E. M., 10, Bath-st., Oxford. (1958)

CINNAMON marked Yorkshire hen, sell 7/6, or offers in Norwich: A. G. Goodman, Lamphey, near Penbrooke. (1958)

COCK CANARIES in full song, 7/6 each; or exchange for bassinette: A. B., 11a, Kenilworth-rd., Kilburn, N.W. (1956)

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EXCHANGE massive buff Norwich cock, value 9/6, for yellow Border or Roller cock.—Hainsworth, 11, New-st., Preston. (1954)

SALE, or exchange, ten Roller cocks, Corkindale strain, 4/6 each; approval; nicely on song: Smith, Birmingham-rd., Studley. (1951)

EXCHANGE, variegated Crest and Yorkshire hens for Norwich cock, sell 9/-; Jones, 1, St. Mary's Place, Cheap-st., Newbury. (1949)

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WHAT offers in Canaries for a vest-pocket Ensignette camera, in perfect condition, worth £1: W. L., 32, Nichol's-sq., Hackney-rd., London, N.E. (1957)

WHAT offers in large Norwich hens for Waverley Book of Canaries, Hybrids, and British Birds: Hardman, 39, Wilkinson-st., Nelson, Lancashire. (1958)

EXCHANGE exhibition buff Yorkshire cock, value 1/-; selling for exhibition marked yellow cock; yours first: Thomas, Langley Common Farm, Barkham, Reading. (1959)

PHONOGRAPH, 50 records, brass horn, Sandow's exercise, angling tackle, Waltham watch, 85 Canaries; sell, exchange wild birds, aquarium fish: 16, Mounty-moan-rd., Liverpool. (1957)

WILL sell or exchange 6 pairs of high-class Yorkshires, Golden Bred, strain from 15/- to 30/- pair; or exchange for good quality Norwich; approval: Taylor, 50, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lincs. (1957)

WANTED all varieties Canaries, also British and Foreign Birds and Mules; will give good exchange in Norwich, Yorkshire, or Border show cages: McKean, 33, Cannon-st., Castle-Douglas. (1957)

FORTY High-class Norwich and Yorkshires, winners and stock birds; sell cheap, or exchange new boots, clothing, drapery, dress material, disc records, 30 c.c. tyres; offers: Soper, 22, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (1957)

SKYLARK, hand-reared cock, sell, 4/-; contest cock Linnets, linger tame, 2/6; exchange both for large mulling H.M. cock Linnets or Goldfinch; other offers invited: Stakes, 2, Sydney-terrace, Lancaster. (1957)

LARGE exhibition R.M. Bullie and Greenfinch, field-moulted Goldie and Linnets, not rubbish, 20/-; or exchange offers; wanted large yellow Crested cock: Blythe, Park-avenue, Mansfield, Woodhouse, Notts. (1958)

Mainly Foreign.

COCKEREL, 3 hen cock breeding Hamburgs, Wakefield direct, sell 50/-; exchange good Parrot and cage; anything useful: Bradley, Prospect, Alfreton. (1958)

SELL exchange good liver and white spaniel bitch, 12 months, good guard, clean, healthy, sell £1; gramophone and records; anything useful: Bradley, Prospect, Alfreton. (1958)

Miscellaneous.

See Rollers: "Annadale," Bamford-rd., Did-bury, Manchester. (1960)

GEM air-gun; exchange large Norwich hens or Yorkshire show cages: Graham, Ballybrack. (1960)

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EXCHANGE, all kinds cutlery, for surplus live stock: Stratford, 218, Howard-rd., Watley, Sheffield. (1957)

EXCHANGE suit lengths, costume lengths, for live stock: Gaunt, 1, Erie-st., Whitecote, Bramley, Leeds. (1959)

EXCHANGE, bull-mastiff bitch, 5 months, for Roller cock Canary: Gardner, Tureros Lane, Brierley Hill. (1957)

TWO cock Greenfinch Mules, full song, sell 6/- each; exchange pair Cockatiels: Tom Hall, Hallowell, Shephard. (1957)

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EXCHANGE "Canaries, Hybrids, British Birds" unsold, for picture farming tools, or sell, 10/-: Williams, Queen's Head, Newcastle, Staffs. (1956)

EXCHANGE for Canaries, Budgerigars, British or foreign birds, men's strong hand-made boots, new: offers: Baker, 1, Watery Lane, Preston. (1958)

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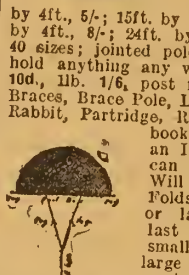
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NOTICE: Special offer monster exhibition buff cock, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 21/-, hon-estly worth 42/-; also choice exhibition yellow cock, grand shape, feathers like silk, winner, only 25/-, cheap at 50/-; also grand yellow hen, full of quality, certain winner, only 17/6, bargain at 42/-; also very choice buff hen, real model for type and quality, win anywhere, only 15/-, worth double; also few real good large stock and exhibition yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to 50/- each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- to 30/- each, rare size, type, colour, and quality, including many future winners; Palace winning strain, all strong and healthy, cold-room bred; satisfac-tion guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

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Excellent yellow stock cock, sire of many winners, 30/-; unflighted buff cocks, clear, grand type, winner 1st, 30/-; 3 nice marked, 15/- each; 2 clear buff hens, 10/6 each; 2 ticked buffs, 8/6 each: Dean, Holmewood, Matlock. (1958)

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Can spare the following high-class show also stock birds at quarter value to clear through war and other business; all 1914 bred, and from cham-pion cup winners, colour-fed and in perfect order, massive, big headed, clear yellow cock, such size, type, quality, none better ever bred, regular gen, only 50/-; monster ideal clear yellow hen, lovely head, chest and feather, win anywhere, 42 2/-; extra large, romping, clear buff cock, monster, win wherever shown, price 35/-; marked buff cock, large head, stout chest, real climber, no mistake about it, only 32/6, worth 45/-; large marked yellow cock, good type, quality, 15/6; clear yellow cock, real slasher, beauty, only 25/-; several champion young yellow and buff hens, clear, also marked ones enormous size, large bold heads, deep chests, lovely quality, from 6/6 to 40/- each; state wants fully; many testimonials from well-known fanciers recently; can be seen; none better ever offered at above prices; satisfaction guaranteed: George Cubley, Lutton Gowts, Long Sutton. (1969)

100 PURE-BRED NORWICH

Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains, have proofs; yellows or buff cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years: Sandford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Sclater-st., London. (1966)

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C. W. Silk, Glen Rosa, Emsworth. See wins at all the leading shows, including Crystal Palace, L.C.B.A., L. and P.O.S., Reading, Bournemouth, Woolston, etc. I have supplied birds which have won at most of the leading shows this season, principally in the North of England and Scotland, which I can show by testimonials. I have a fine lot of hens in yellows or buffs, also some good on approval willing. (1969)

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Monster exhibition Yellow cock, large head and full neck, grand depth of chest, rare type and quality, sure winner in keenest competition, only 50/-; honestly worth 45 for stock alone; also massive exhibition Buff cock, grand type, colour, quality and substance, rare head and neck, feathered like silk, only 35/-; cheap at 43; also grand exhibition Yellow hen, large head and neck, deep chest, lovely colour, type and quality, sure winner, only 35/-; honestly worth double; also extra choice exhibition Buff hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, perfect gem, win anywhere, only 30/-, worth 43; also several other monster exhibition Yellow and Buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to 46 each; massive exhibition Yellow and Buff hens, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/- to 44 each, including many winners; many unsolicited testimonials received from the leading breeders and exhibitors, and for size, type and quality I defy competition; state your require-ments fully and I will guarantee to give you fullest satisfaction; all cold room bred; approval: Leonard Warming, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (1969)

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ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, cele-brated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913.

J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, hens 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath.

MISS THOMAS, Breeder and Trainer Seifert Rollers; finest strain birds for sale, moderate prices: Fair-light, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1893)

WANTED Rollers: Pearson, Greenwich. (1970)

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Aviarles, Gorseinon, Glam. (1961)

FOR sale roller bird organ, a bargain, 15/-: James Jackson, 32, Weirpark-rd., Saltcoats, Ayrshire. (1968)

A FEW Seifert hens left, 5 for 10/-; 2 cocks, 22/6 each: Walker, 6, Lambert-terr., Aberdare, S. Wales. (1965)

THREE fine Seifert Roller cocks in full song, 1913 birds, 7/6 each: Phillips, Penralt, Court-rd., Wrex-ham. (1966)

ROLLER cocks, in full song, 3/9, 4/9, 5/9, 7/9; hens, 1/9 and 2/9; approval: Ross, Canary Breeder, Forres, N.B. (1961)

PURE Rollers, none better at 7/0, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 28, Envillett-st., Stour-bridge. (1878)

TWO good 1914 Roller cocks, one clear, one slightly ticked, on song, 11/6; both approval: Holt, Iron-monger, Bacup. (1968)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, sing any-where, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 2/-, 2/6; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (1945)

PURE Randall's hollow roll cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-, R.R.C.C. 1914, cash or deposit system: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1958)

NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1971)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942)

HIGH-CLASS Water Glucke Rollers, B.R.C.C. rung; cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/6; hens, 4/-; 7 days' approval: T. Hilton, 35, Botany-lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. (1957)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, Randall's, Lyon's; cocks 7/8 upwards, hens 3/6; pairs selected; approval: Earn-shaw, Breeder, Trainer, 7, Rook-st., Nelson, Lancs. (1955)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred cocks, stout in song, from 8/6, 10/6; pairs from 12/6; hens, 3/6; Stapleton's, Roller Breeder, 17, Spard-rd., Bermondsey. (1965)

FIVE 1914 Glucke Roller cocks, 10/- each, hens 4/-; all B.R.C.C. rung; approval: R. Evans, No. 4, Burnett-st., Merrington-lane, Spennymoor, Durham. (1964)

TWO 1914 loud singing cock Rollers, cold room, in pink of health, sell 4/- each, 7/6 the two: Robin-son, Mount Pleasant, Charles Arthur-st., Birming-ham. (1969)

CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randalls, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained, cocks from 10/6; approval will-ingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne, Derby-shire. (1965)

HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1813)

YORKSHIRE-ROLLERS, splendid songsters, 3 cocks, 6/6 each, from best strains; also variegated Norwich cock, 6/-; approval with pleasure: Smith, 4, Chapel-st., Longridge, Preston, Lancs. (1965)

BRITISH-BRED Rollers, young cocks, B4 rung, father winner at five singing contests, only times shown, 7/6, 10/6; few hens, same strain, 5/6 couple: Hargreaves, Sunbeam House, Midway-aven., Brid-lington. (1963)

HIGH-CLASS British Rollers, cocks, bred from prize Gluckes and Water-gluckes, 12/6 to 50/-; a few at 7/6, too high for show purposes; hens, 3/6 to 12/6; approval, B.R.C.C.: Gooding, 38, St. Lukes-rd., West-bourne Park, London. (1968)

DEEP Glucke birds, second, fourth, and fourth, seventh, c. Midland show, third, vhe, hc, Bacup; cocks, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/- each; also pure Koller cocks for sale: A. W. Cadman, 17, Man-love-st., Wolverhampton. (1965)

PURE Seifert Glucke and Water-Glucke Rollers, cold room bred; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/- each; hens, 3/6, 4/6 each; same strain as my Crystal Palace win-ner; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somere-rd., Brixton-hill, London, S.W. (1940)

DEEP Glucke and Water-glucke Rollers (Mr. Neuge-bauer's strain), cocks from 15/- to 40/-; hens, same strain, 5/- and 7/6 each; also 1st prize winner 1913, amateur class, Wolverhampton, 20/-: M. Jacquemin, 453, Dudley-rd., Wolverhampton. (1965)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Water-glucke strain; approval willingly. (1965)

THREE organ-trained 1914 Glucke, Roller cocks, 8/- each; four 1914 and one 1913 Glucke Roller hens, 2/6 and 3/6 each; 7 days' approval; 5 double-compartment breeding cages, 2/6 each: Evans, May-field, Lightwood, Longton, Stoke-on-Trent. (1967)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold-room bred, cocks in full song, from 10/6, pairs from 12/6, hens 3/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wens-leydale-terr., Bradford-rd., Batley, Yorkshire. (1955)

DECLINING Fancy. Pure Randall's B.R.C.C. rung, cold-room bred, Morrison's winning strain, 5 cocks, 11 hens; what offers to clear; exchange considered, not birds: "Annadale," Bamford-rd., Didsbury, Manchester. (1960)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, bred from winners of over 40 prizes, B.R.C.C. rung 1914; cocks, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 41; hens, 1913 4/6, 1914 5/6; 7 days' approval: J. C. Banks, 49, St. Hubert's-rd., Great Harwood. (1960)

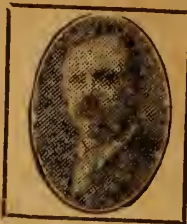
HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; ap-proval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, English bred, cold-rooms, pure Seiferts, St. Andreasberg and Glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, and 5/-; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/-; special Roller seed, 5d. lb., 7lbs. 2/6; catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1968)

SPLENDID chance for new beginner; high-class British Rollers for sale; being engaged on large Government order I have not the required time to look after my birds; have decided to offer the whole for sale; pure Fisher and Randall strains direct; cages, appliances, etc.; full particulars in advertisement early in the New Year: Andrew M. Firth, Highfield House, The Lanes, Pudsey. (1969)

PURE Randalls, few more cocks for sale, one 8/6, others 10/6, 12/6; better than others adver-tised at 20/-; some splendid Waterglucke hens, bred and kept in cold room, and bred from my last season winners, 4/6 each, 8/6 couple; every bird B.R.C.C. rung 1914; over twenty cocks sold this season, only one returned; scores of testimonials; open for inspection; seven days' approval; deposit: Etherington, 226, Fletcher-rd., Preston. (1966)

BIRMINGHAM Roller Contest; B3,806 secured 21 points, good Schoolmaster, 25/-, worth 30/-; B4,13 has grand Bass roll, scored five points for it last week, Birmingham, 22/6; B3,897, won commended, Rosendale, 22 points, London International 17 points, 25/-, worth 30/-; Water Glucke hens can breed winners, 5/-; all wearing closed club ring; approval; deposit: Atherton, 36, Christian-rd., Preston. (1964)



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BAILEY, winner outright Y.C.C. 20-guinea Chal-lenge Cup, the Y.U. 30-guinea Challenge Trophy, etc., etc.: 40, South View-terr., Sandy Lane, Brad-ford. (1966)

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Twitterings.

Mr. H. H. Mortimer, hon. sec. Abertillery C.B.S., has removed to 4, Granville Street, Abertillery.

In the cl. buff Yorks. hen class at the Dublin and S. County show, M. Fleming, junr., won 2nd, not Buckley as stated. Mr. Buckley was he, and c.

Four Cinnamon-marked classes will be added to the classification for Great Horton O.S. open show on Jan. 9th, writes Mr. J. Holroyd, sec.

Walford C.B.S. has obtained the patronage of the Foreign Bird Club, this was too late to print in our schedule, writes Mr. W. Rackley, hon. sec.

In the report of Gateshead Show, Dec. 19, you have Nicholson and Son as 2nd and vhc, with their Waxwings. It was my Waxwing that was 2nd, writes Mr. J. Davison.

Owing to scarcity of entries the committee of the Maryport Bird Show regretfully had to abandon the fixture which should have been held on the 26th Dec., writes Mr. J. S. Head.

Mr. H. Clegg, sec. Halifax O.S., writes that the date of the smoker and prize distribution has been altered from Jan. 7 to Jan. 17 on account of the room having been engaged.

The Sec. of Pontypridd Society writes that owing to entries coming in very slowly they are extending to first post Monday morning. The cage birds will be staged apart from the other exhibits at the commodious long room of the Victoria Hotel. As the profits of this show are given to the Red Cross Fund, a bumping entry would be very acceptable. Mr. C. A. House judges.

OBITUARY.

It is with sincere regret, writes Mr. Jeffery Jeffers, that I have to inform you of the death of Mrs. Taylor, the wife of Mr. W. Taylor, of the firm of Messrs. Taylor and Wright, of Southall. Mr. Taylor is left with four little children, and I am sure the sympathy of all fanciers will go out to him in his sad loss.

The Volunteer Wire Works, manufacturers of cages and cage fronts, have removed from King Street to more commodious premises at Cornhill Passage, Longton.

The Pelton Fell C.B.S. is expecting a good show on January 2nd, writes Mr. John Robinson, the sec. Members please note there will be a special for everyone, so don't forget to bring plenty of birds. It has been suggested having the birds left over till Sunday for show. Will members please make up their minds and let me know on Saturday morning. All birds to be staged at 10 a.m.

Prize-money Paid.
We hear that prize-money has been paid in respect of Doncaster and Cocker mouth shows. Anyone who may have been overlooked should apply at once to the respective secretaries.

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"Please thank all those who answered my advertisement in your Christmas number, under 'Miscellaneous.' I have received just over forty replies and am unable to answer them all personally."—G. E. RATTIGAN (Brockenhurst).

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Watford C.B.S. (Herts).—Conservative Club, Jan. 13-14. Judges, J. Robson, R. L. Crisp, A. Silver, R. J. Watts. * open cl.: Nor. 12 (4 Nov.), Yorks. 12 (4 Nov.), Bord. 4, Crests 2, A.O.V. 1, Miles 7, Brit. 19, For. 9, Sell. 4. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s., 1s. 6d., 1s. Fee 2s. Ent. close Jan. 7, to W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Road.

Gt. Horton O.S.—Council Schools, Cross Lane, Jan. 9. Judge, A. Hirst. 27 cl.: Open Yorks. 17 (4 Cinn., 2 Sell.), Nov. (Limit £5 5s.), Yorks. 8, Nor. 2. Ent. close Jan. 5, to J. Holroyd, 27, Kingswood Street.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Miners' Hall, Jan. 15-16. Judges, T. C. Crawhall, J. Johnston, G. Wilson. 59 open classes: Nor. 8, Crest 4, Yorks. 8, Bord. 9, L. 5, Gilt 1, Sell. 3, Miles 2, Brit. 8, For. 1. Prizes 10s., 5s., 3s., 2s.; fee, 1.6. Ent. cl. Jan. 11 to J. Peacock, 6, Whithorn Terrace, Fulwell, S.

Doncaster Show Schedule.

An error has occurred in our schedule, writes Mr. G. Hunt, hon. sec. Doncaster C.B.S.; class 1 should read: Clear, tkd., uneven, even, or lightly marked Canary mule. Appreciated in the United States.

CAGE BIRDS is being read quite a great deal over here, and is very interesting, writes Mr. R. Geo. Smart, chairman of the show committee of the Empire C.B.A., New York.

Egg with Three Yolks.
At Messrs. Wilkinson's large egg stores in Knightsbridge, London, two very curious eggs were seen last week. All the eggs before being sent out are examined by means of a strong light, by which it is easy to distinguish the yolk of the egg. In one of the eggs mentioned there was no yolk at all, while the other contained three distinct yolks. Eggs containing two yolks are common, but an egg with three yolks is very uncommon indeed.

Out of the Cold World.

A weekly paper tells this story of a Robin. The scene is a house where birds of all descriptions are always fed and welcomed and encouraged to be tame. During the cold snap, which was all we had last year that could be dignified by the name of winter, a Robin came every night for a week and roosted in a basket on an upper shelf in the scullery. As soon as the door was opened in the morning it flew out, but until the weather became more genial it returned regularly every night.

Good Out of Evil.

In a letter to the "Spectator," G. V. C. says: "One man's misfortune is frequently another man's opportunity, but it is, I think, somewhat unusual for a bird to profit by the calamity of a cat. This took place in an out-of-the-way village in Dorset, and was told to me the other day. Two Tom cats met in a garden. They could not agree upon some nice point of honour, and having decided to fight it out selected a polyanthus primrose bed as their battlefield. The following morning the primroses were dishevelled, and snowy locks belonging to one of the combatants were strewn in handfuls on the ground. A Sparrow with a nest to build here saw her opportunity, collected a quantity of fur, and furnished her one-roomed house with the hair of her family's hereditary foe."

The British Canary Breeder's Opportunity.

This contribution reaches us from Mr. Frank W. Burton, Hon. Sec. of the Southern Border Fancy C.C., who is now at the Front with the British Expeditionary Force.

I HAVE been on the point of writing you upon the above topic many times, but just at present I am, as you know, very much occupied in a more serious matter than bird-keeping. Reading Mr. Ousman's lecture in CAGE BIRDS of Dec. 5th has, however, brought the matter to a head, and I should be glad if you could find room for a few lines from me.

I have many a time wondered why English fanciers have not made some effort to capture from Germany a portion of the large export trade in Canaries which she has so long held. It may be argued that Germany has held her own by specialising in trained songsters; but apart from the many good and reliable strains of English-bred Rollers, I contend that our own varieties could, if given a fair trial, and bred in sufficient quantities to meet the demands of the exporters, more than hold their own with the chief varieties of Rollers.

Why Should It Not Pay?

I know that a good many fanciers will say that it would never pay us to breed and sell birds at the price paid for the Germans, but if it pays German breeders, why not ourselves? I am acquainted with a good few fanciers who, because they are still at the bottom of the exhibition ladder, have practically to give away their surplus stock, and I am firmly convinced that if some co-operative scheme could be put into working order these fanciers would command a better price for their birds.

It is a well-known fact that however good a strain of birds one may possess, there must be among the offspring a fair percentage that are useless for exhibition, and although these may be quite valuable as breeding stock, yet a godly portion must be disposed of as songsters.

Mr. Ousman's suggestion is undoubtedly a good one, but I think if the whole question was to be thoroughly discussed in CAGE BIRDS, many valuable points would be raised, and the scheme probably put upon a sound footing.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

England.

- Jan. 8-9.—Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.—(J. Spencer, 293, Palmerston St., Beswick, Manchester.)
- Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Mules, Brit. and For. Birds.
- Jan. 13-14.—Walford C.B.S.—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.)
- Oct. 12-13.—Plymouth W.C.O.S.—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)
- Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Scotland.

- Dec. 31-Jan. 1.—Scottish National (Edinburgh).—(J. R. Meikle, 22, Brougham St., Edinburgh.)
- Jan. 1.—Wishaw Clydesdale C.B.S.—(J. Watson, 16, Young St., Wishaw.)
- Jan. 22-23.—Glasgow, Scottish P.H.C.—(E. Barron, 119, Montrose St.)

Wales.

- Jan. 6.—Pontypridd F. & F.S.—(A. A. G. M'Lucas, 48, Rosser St., Maesycyod, Pontypridd.)
- Jan. 12.—Llanely C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., I.N.
- Feb. 5-6-8.—Cardiff (Welsh National Show).—(W. Sampson, 93, Llanisien St.)

Feigning Death.

Recently, while out fishing on one of the many mountain lochs in Glen Urquhart, our attention was attracted by two small birds which were swimming about among the grasses and water-lilies at the sides of the loch. We rowed the boat in the direction of the birds, and the gamekeeper who was with us told us they were young Seagulls. We came very close upon them, so that we were able to lift one into the boat, while the other made its escape. The captured bird lay on its side, to all appearance unable to move, and in an apparently lifeless condition. We somewhat regretted having come into such close quarters with it, fearing it had received some hurt by contact with the boat. Our boatman, however, looked amused, said nothing, but rowed out of the rushes into the clear, and placed the Seagull in the water. In a moment it had recovered from its trick of feigning death, gave a joyful cry of freedom, and swam away, soon disappearing out of sight.—A. M. in "The Scotsman."

Regarding the supply for the home market, there should be no difficulty, as I am sure our large dealers would be patriotic enough to buy home-bred song-birds, were they procurable, in preference to the German birds.

Regarding the export trade, we might experience some little difficulty in getting into touch with the foreign markets. I am sure, however, there must be some of our big men with sufficient experience of the exporting of birds, who could take up this matter and advise us as to the probability of securing the foreign markets, and as to the steps necessary to take to do so.

I am afraid I cannot write more now, although there is a great deal I should like to say, but in asking fanciers to take up this matter I do not think I am requesting too much. Some of us fanciers are out here doing our best to prevent Germany from devastating our dear old country, as she has done gallant little Belgium; surely it is not too much to ask those who for some reason or other cannot take an active part in the fight to see that our home affairs are not neglected.

In conclusion, I should like to say how much I appreciate your kindly remarks to my brother and myself in your issue of Dec. 4th, also the reproduction of our yellow Border hen. I look forward each week to receiving good old "C.B.," and I am certain that no paper in the trenches is more thoroughly perused.

Although too late to wish you a merry Christmas, I wish you and all other bird-lovers a happy and prosperous New Year. I shall eagerly watch your columns for some further opinions on this subject, and be glad to write you again, circumstances permitting.

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THE CARE OF PET BIRDS. By A. C. TYNDALL.

We have reproduced this article from "Our Dumb Friends" (a monthly magazine published in Boston, U.S.A., by an organisation similar to our own R.S.P.C.A.), as affording pleasing evidence of a "sweet reasonableness of spirit," which, unfortunately, is seldom existent amongst the officials and supporters of such societies in England.

Of some of us it seems a rather selfish sentiment which places birds, and especially wild birds, behind cage bars for the sake of such diversion as their accomplishments or ornamental appearance may afford their owners or captors. A life with the limitations of an enforced confinement can never be all it was intended to be; that much is quite certain. But at the same time, it is possible that there are a few things which may afford some compensation for the loss of their freedom, and in some degree reconcile these little feathered people to the change in their manner of life.

Nature is supposed to do all things well, and doubtless does, from her own standpoint—but her arrangements of conditions of life for her children, in individual cases at least, seem to us quite frequently to leave something to be desired. A lingering and painful death by cold or starvation is a not improbable calamity in the lives of most wild birds when the conditions of life to which they have been accustomed fail them; and even under the most favourable circumstances they have at all times to be on guard against the dangers which threaten them from their numerous enemies. It is said by those who have observed the conditions of bird life closely, that a wild bird seldom dies as a result of old age—other causes of death being so numerous, that a natural death has seldom an opportunity to take place.

Usually Short; and not Always Merry.

But whether it is preferable to have a long term of mere existence with most of the natural joys of life lacking, or a short life and a merry one, with everything as Nature intended it to be, is another question, and one which does not come within the scope of this article.

Most wild things will show which side of the question they favour by a speedy return to their natural haunts if an opportunity of doing so is afforded, but it is not always so. The writer has known several instances of wild birds who became so accustomed to their surroundings and conditions as cage-birds, as to refuse their liberty when offered it.

It is not to be denied that bird-lovers are often greatly tempted to bring some of these charming feathered folk into the closer relations afforded by having them in the home. There is always something interesting in a bird's ways and utterances, and there is much to be learned of bird nature and a bird's natural habits, which would not be possible otherwise than in a domesticated state.

The personality of a bird is ever charming to the appreciative, even within the narrow limits of a cage; and when the acquaintance is made of a particularly intelligent little feathered person, it is an experience not soon to be forgotten.

Sins No Bird-lover Would Commit.

But to come down to practical considerations in the care of cage birds. It may be said to begin with, that it is unpardonable in anyone keeping a bird to neglect attending to the few and simple requirements of a little creature whose well-being depends on them. No one should take a bird out of the care of a dealer or bird-fancier without getting full directions on its diet and general treatment, and following them closely. It is not either wise or kind, moreover, to get into the habit of offering a small bird anything in the form of an eatable which may be in sight. This is a weakness common to the amateur bird-fancier, who seems to have the idea of making amends by such means for the loss of its liberty—even though it is known that over-fed birds, like most other creatures, are apt to come to a painful and ignominious end, as the result of such indulgences.

But without being tempted to offer our feathered guests such things as are not suited to their needs—a partiality for sweetmeats may be mentioned as an instance of an acquired and perverted taste among birds—there are other things which will afford variety in the songster's bill of fare, and still not be harmful.

A bird of any species will never fail to show an interest in a handful of green things, such as leaves and sprigs of almost any plant or vegetable; not only lettuce, and the tender stalks of beets—which are best known as greens acceptable to the birds—but berries in their season, and also apples. There are many of the weeds we regard as useless, which contain in their leaves and seed-pods rare dainties for the feathered folk.

A vacant lot, overgrown by weeds in a manner not at all approved of by its owner, is possibly regarded by some of these little bird people in much the same way that an orchard or garden is looked on by a small boy.

Chickweed, thistle-heads, the plantain with its spike of seeds, a stray sunflower—all these are acceptable; with other things—game for instance—consisting of insects and the like to be found in the recesses of the plant stalks and leaves, and which are doubtless bagged by the feathered hunter with as much enthusiasm as would be shown by any other pot-hunter.

Cleanliness All-Important.

It would be impossible, within ordinary space limits, to describe the needs of all the different birds found in cages, and the treatment required by each, but it may be said that the least which can be done for any of them, and a rule which holds good with all, is to keep everything belonging to a bird's surroundings as clean and fresh as possible. A bird always shrinks from uncleanly surroundings, and it is contrary to its natural habits in every case to stay in the atmosphere of such.

Clean, pebbly sand, a cage scrubbed at least twice a week with soap and hot water, drinking water changed several times in the day, and a bath if it seems looked for—all these things are absolutely necessary to the health and well-being of a cage bird.

Another hint to the possessor of a pet bird which may not be out of place, is that a bird appreciates a change in its surroundings almost if not quite as much as a human being might be expected to under the same circumstances.

A Canary will make it very evident that it is pleased with the change afforded by hanging its cage in a different window than that it is accustomed to be in, just for the sake, apparently, of the novelty afforded by seeing things from another point of view.

A DAY WITH THE BIRDS AT THE SCOTTISH ZOO. By Dan McArthur (EDINBURGH).

GIVEN a beautiful site within easy distance from town, and enthusiastic members, the Scottish Zoo could hardly help being a success. The policy of educating the public resulted in funds being gradually secured, and our Zoo became an actual fact last year. Despite dismal croakings it paid its way from the start and now that each month sees improvements and new arrivals, it has entered on its second year with prosperous days ahead. "Plenty of freedom amidst natural surroundings and no coddling," has been the motto; and the ratio of illness shows how well it has succeeded. Needless to say there are no "performing animal" exhibitions here—Thank goodness! The average visitor, attracted no doubt by the wild animals generally associated with the word Zoo, is probably unaware of the birds that are to be seen, or gives them scant attention. This is a great mistake, as there are many interesting, rare and beautiful birds in the collection, and though many of them are not cage birds a little description of them may be of interest.

Aviaries Amidst the Roses.

The number of birds is between 250 and 300, comprising about 70 species. The aviaries (which are hidden away in a quiet corner midst the beautiful Rose Garden) have been skilfully thought out with due regard to the natural habits of the birds, and their captivity is of a very happy sort indeed. The Peacocks and the Silver and Golden Pheasants strutting in and out among the splendidly wooded grounds add a rich touch of colour to the scene and at once catch the eye of the visitor as he climbs the hill. Then the gentle cooing of the Doves (Ring, Stock and Turtle) greets us. But we pause on our way to look at a very quiet little quartette of Quails and Sand Grouse in a natural-looking shaded nook with a sandy floor. The birds of prey (in a corner by themselves, of course) include a splendid pair of Golden Eagles, a huge Griffon Vulture, a Red-tailed Buzzard, Tawny, Short-eared and Barn Owls, and a smart little Jay. All are good specimens, but not particular bright-looking, save the Jay; but could a Jay be otherwise?

Special Prizes at Falkirk Good Intent Show.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Hunter's letter, I may say that I am making no mistake in regard to the specials in the British section at the above show. To prove who is right, Mr. Editor, I am enclosing catalogue for reference. I may add that if this way of allocating specials is a sample of "fair and square" dealing, then any interest which I have had in this show will certainly cease. This will be my last letter on this subject.

INTERESTED.

Another Opportunity for Crest Fanciers this Season.

SIR,—May I be permitted to remove the impression that Crest fanciers will not have another opportunity to exhibit this season under such extended classification as is provided at the Scottish National Show. The Welsh National Show, to be held at Cardiff on the Palace dates, provides the same number of classes, with liberal prize-money and specials, and exhibitors who intended exhibiting at the Crystal Palace should embrace this opportunity and show their appreciation of the plucky Welshmen.

W. SAMPSON.

Hon. Show Manager,
Welsh National Show.

The Novice Problem.

Our Opinion is Asked Upon Several Ticklish Points.

SIR,—I should feel greatly obliged if you would answer the following queries:—

- (1) In what sense was either the Clapham or the L. and P.O.S. show not considered an open show?
- (2) Has either one or both of these shows been classed in previous years as open?
- (3) What really constitutes an open show?
- (4) If a novice wins three firsts at a society's show, of which he is a member, and the said show is open for, say, a radius of 12 miles, does he become a champion?
- (5) If a novice wins a 1st in open novice competition does he become a champion; or has he to win three such firsts to become a champion?

(6) If a novice wins a 1st in one Canary class in an open show, does he thereafter become a champion in all varieties of Canaries?

J. A. H.

[(1) Both shows were restricted to exhibitors who could deliver and fetch their birds. (2) Previously Clapham has been an open show. The L. and P.O.S. Autumn Show has sometimes been open and sometimes confined to members. (3) Broadly speaking, a show at which no one is barred from competing. If, however, any show is open to more than exhibitors residing in the county wherein the show is held, or the price limit (if one be fixed) is over £5, it is considered to be an Open Show (vide the novice rule in the schedule of the Crystal Palace Show). (4) No. He may, however, become a champion (or an amateur, if there is such a section) at shows of his own society, and this depends upon the rules governing the said society. We might add that at all shows it is the general rule that all members of a family, or residents in the same house, must show in the highest section in which any of them may have to compete. (5) He has to win three firsts. (6) Yes.—EDITOR, "C.B."]

Is the Norwich Developing Into a Nondescript?

SIR,—What is the remark one hears when visiting a show? "Do you call them (the birds that are winning) Norwich Plainheads?" I myself say No; they are a nondescript, simply winning because they are big birds. The judges find the big birds in the classes, then select the most uniform bird—a very easy matter. But is this procedure to continue? If so, the Norwich Plainhead is doomed, and will lose its place as the most popular variety. We don't want great, big, bowy, sulky-looking, crouchy, inactive birds, lying on the perches and with no daylight under them. What we do want is the acknowledged type of the N.P.C. Compare this with what you see winning. Let us ask for birds to be "judged," then we shall see a great improvement in the popularity of the variety.

BARKER CLEGG.

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gulping down fish after fish into their enormous pouch is alone worth a visit.

Recent Polar Expedition pictures have made us more familiar with "the solemn, stately Penguin" than we used to be, and they are almost as interesting (and greedy) as their neighbours the Pelicans. They lose all their solemnity at feeding time, and their appetite must be the despair of their keeper as well as the envy of any dyspeptic visitor who sees them! There are two species, and they have a small pond to themselves.

Other new birds from "The Woolly South" are the Giant Kingfishers and Brush Turkeys, and in a big enclosure are the Rheas. They are a special attraction just now as (spurred on no doubt by the many "little strangers" born in the Zoo lately) they made a nest (it's just a scratch in the earth) and the cock bird is busy sitting on the eggs. The hen, having laid them, apparently thinks she has done enough, or else "Wants the Vote!" As the eggs take about seven weeks to hatch out it's a policy of "Wait and see" right enough for him.

Birds the Children Love Best.

The Parrot Aviary is perhaps the most popular section and the children love it best, next to the monkey house. The only trouble is to keep the birds from eating too many dainties! It is a large aviary (78 x 15 x 15), roughly, with a big night house, plenty of barrel-nests, etc., and all the inmates seemed lively and healthy. The species include about a dozen Rose Cockatoos and the same number of Lemon-crested white ones—the latter being very confiding and anxious to get their polls rubbed—a few nice little green Parrots and half-a-dozen gorgeously feathered Military Macaws. There are several talking ones among the lot, and one kept on welcoming visitors with his distinct "Come on," while he didn't forget to cry "Good-bye" after you; and, space being limited, I'll follow the example. By the bye, the Zoo officials are always glad to receive gifts of birds, animals or reptiles, should any reader feel so disposed.

Lodgers from the Palace.

Since writing the above the collection of birds has been increased by over a hundred "lodgers" sent from the Crystal Palace "for the period of the War," the space they occupied there being required for the troops. The birds are mostly of the Parrot tribe, though a quartette of little Wood Owls make a pleasant attraction.

Waterfowl a Great Attraction.

The commoner Water Fowl are in great numbers and endless variety: Geese, Gulls and Ducks, with three nice ponds all to themselves. Undoubtedly the foreign Waterfowl ponds are the biggest attraction, as the inmates have hitherto only been known to most of us from stuffed specimens in our museums, or from books. It is indeed a splendid sight to see such unusual birds as the gorgeous Flamingoes (always motionless on one leg in the water), the quaint old Stork, the aristocratic Demoiselle Cranes elegantly walking about; the Crowned Crane executing his amusing dance for your special benefit; the Oyster-catcher and the Gannet lazily watching you in case you have any fish; also the pre-historic-looking Pelicans. The latter are the latest arrivals, and to see them

CORRESPONDENCE.
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The Novice Norwich Classes at Doncaster Show.

Sir,—I was surprised to note a certain win in the novice Norwich classes at Doncaster show. I understood that the exhibitors had already won a first prize in open competition at a certain show held in the Midlands on Nov. 28 of this year. If this is so, then I think some explanation should be given for the benefit of the other novices at Doncaster. Further, did not the same exhibitors also win another first in a novice class (this time at a certain Midland show) after their success at the open show alluded to above? WANDERING RUSSIAN.

Watford's Deserving Venture.

Sir,—Now that the Watford C.B.S. has decided to run an open show, it behoves every exhibitor to do his utmost to make it a success. Many well-known exhibitors are members of the society, so we need have no fear; the exhibits will be well cared for. The foreign and British bird exhibitors are doing their best to make it a success, and I hope all Canary exhibitors will show their appreciation of the very fine classification by sending as many entries as possible. The show is being run on the lines of Plymouth and the L.C.B.A., i.e., with money prizes for all birds in the cards. It rests with exhibitors if this system shall become general, or otherwise. Make it a success for Watford, as a return for their pluck in running an open show. F. EASTERLING.

When is a Novice Not a Novice?

Sir,—This is only one of the questions which keep cropping up time after time, and which I think it is time should be settled either one way or another. For instance, why should a bird which has been shown (and has won) in open competition be allowed, merely because it has changed owners, to compete as a novice exhibit? Also there is the question of the man who is still a novice after 20 years' experience. Then there is the overlapping of different societies, and the commanding of each other's show dates. Then the judges sometimes give reason for a grumble. I am not in any way disparaging the judges. I believe we have got as competent and as honest a set of judges as we could wish, and even better than we deserve, considering the happy-go-lucky way in which we make the selection. But the question is: Will these muddling-through methods always answer? I am afraid not. I think it about time we revived the Cage Bird Union, or some other

body with the power and the ability to set these and other points straight.

I could go on for another column with these points which require deciding. What about the exhibitor who keeps a variety for which novice classes are seldom provided? How long has he to remain a novice? However, I will now "dry up," or I shall have someone telling me that any fool can find fault. Perhaps someone with more experience will take up the matter and let us have the benefit of that experience. I am quite willing to take a hand in reviving the Cage Bird Union, or in forming another governing body, if your readers will signify their desire for either. In the meantime I desire to be known as

Foreign Birds at the Welsh National Show.

Sir,—I am desirous of drawing the attention of your readers to the fact that the patronage of the Foreign Bird Exhibitors' League has been conferred on the Welsh National Show, to be held at Cardiff on Feb. 5, 6 and 8. Mr. Allen Silver, the hon. sec. of the League, in your last issue reported that it had been conferred on Cardiff show. This may be misunderstood and confused with the Cardiff Cage Bird Society's show, but the Welsh National show is distinct from the Cardiff Society's show, the latter society being only one of the affiliated societies. W. SAMPSON.

The Value of "Push."

Sir,—Having joined the merry band of bird-breeders again, I take an interest in all bird matters, and I always prefer to discuss birds and not persons. With the article concerning the value of "push" in the selling of surplus stock by Mr. Allsopp, I cannot agree. Good birds require very little push to sell; it is the wasters that want pushing. To my way of thinking, there is far too much "push" in advertisements already. You see birds described as real champions, with everything required, for from 20s. to 40s. each. When you receive them they are quite the reverse. I never knew a breeder who had good birds but someone else knew of them, too; and a short description of them when for sale is sure to be responded to. To make a profit out of surplus wasters, one must be able to put together a flash advertisement, and have a very elastic conscience, making Tom-Tits into monsters, pinched heads into "Bull dogs," and long-sided birds as "round as balls." What I should like to see, however, instead of discussing persons, is a good discussion upon the modern Norwich, and how to produce it. Now, Mr. Allsopp, start it and I will join in. Moseley. J. BASTOCK.

A LANCASHIRE ENTHUSIAST AND HIS BIRDS.

Sir,—Duty called me to the neighbouring town of Ormskirk several weeks ago, so as a break in the monotonous routine of duty, I contrived to combine it with a little pleasure and called on Mr. J. W. Johnson, the well-known British Bird and Hybrid exhibitor. I found him possessed of a fairly large stock, as well as a few Border and Norwich Canaries. Contrary to many fanciers he had had a good season with his Canaries, as he happened to be in possession of a good lot of feeders, both hens and cocks. One Norwich cock seemed to have combined the duties of father, mother, foster-parent and a sort of relieving officer at one and the same time, for when we saw him he had about ten young Canaries dependent on him, averaging from 17 days to a month old; and he did pump it into 'em!

If every fancier in the district were to exhibit as much and as frequently as Mr. Johnson, there would be less need for the cry of short entries and classes cancelled. Go to which show we will within a reasonable distance from Ormskirk, there you will see Mr. Johnson's exhibits; and when we remember that Ormskirk is one of the most awkward places imaginable for railway service, and that it is often Sunday evening when his birds arrive home, even from a show close to, Mr. Johnson's enthusiasm must be of that sort that "won't wash off." Nor is he of the growling class (luckily very scarce in the Fancy) when his birds don't win. Like Artemus Ward, he thinks that a "grudging sperrit is worse nor tite boots"; so when a bird beats him, he looks out for one better.

Amongst his British we noticed a very good Greenie, not his well-known last year's winner (about the largest Greenie we ever saw). The latter he had breeding with a hen Canary, and it died just when its services would have been most appreciated—perhaps from unrequited love! Another noticeable bird was the well-known Yellowhammer, a bird which has had unusual success wherever exhibited, and as all British improve with age, so long as they

keep in good health, Mr. Johnson will be justified in expecting a fair share of the spoils where his old "Hammer" is exhibited in the future. We noticed a good Hawfinch, also a very large and beautifully marked Corn Bunting, which has a fair number of wins to its credit. His old winning Linnet was in rare fettle. Several other Britishers were noticed, too, which should uphold the reputation of this room.

Amongst the Hybrids were two variegated Greenie-Canaries, a jonque and a mealy. Then there was the noted Canary-Bullie, a bird which accounted for one of CAGE BIRDS coupon specials last year. A very fine light Goldie Mule was conspicuous; and lastly we noticed two young Goldie-Bullies, which should develop into grand birds.

A few questions about methods elicited the information that Mr. Johnson did not believe in hard and fast rules as regards feeding, but in altering cases to suit circumstances; on the whole he favoured a good and varied diet. He likes plenty of baths, especially at moulting time, as they give the desired sheen; and believes in plenty of handling, because it has the tendency to steady and to give confidence, without which no British bird, however good, is of use for exhibition. Mr. Johnson, one can see, is an enthusiastic over his hobby, and takes the same pride in his pets, as an astronomer does over the discovery of a fresh comet with a tail as long as a wet Sunday. May his lucky star never stop blinking. T. JOHNSON.

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Club Reports.

TARBRAX C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Institute Hall, Dec. 17. Mr. J. K. Roberts chair. Office-bearers and committee were appointed for 1915. Decided to hold two shows next year—July 10 and Nov. 13. The report from the committee for last year was quite satisfactory.—Colin Taylor, Sec.

HALIFAX O.S.

Special meeting, Dec. 26. Decided to hold smoker and prize distribution on January 17, in place of January 7, the room having been engaged on that date. Time, 7.30 prompt. The annual social this year will take place on Feb. 13, and will take the form of a whist drive, social, and dance; tickets, 9d. each, at West Ward Liberal Club.—H. Clegg, Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN LIZARD CLUB.

At a special committee meeting at Mr. Proctor's Room, kindly lent for the occasion, the following specials were allocated for the Sunderland show:—5s. most points, safety razor most entries, 2s. 6d. each best bird, best vhc, best hc, best c, best un-named bird, all in section. Such a list should ensure a show of lizards that has never been seen in the North before.—G. Davidson, Sec.

SUNDERLAND C.B.A.

Meeting Dec. 19. Mr. Farrer presiding; show officials appointed: Carriers, C. Waters, T. Davison, W. Owens, T. Proctor, A. Brown, Stewards, J. Rieborough, W. E. Swan, T. Gray, R. Proctor, J. M. Walker. To assist the treas., T. Gray. The appointment of other officers left until next meeting. Sec. announced another cash special for Lizard classes from the N.L.C. Mr. Rukin's appeal to Lizard fanciers was noted.—J. Peacock, hon. sec.

WINCHBURGH C.B.C.

Annual general meeting, Dec. 18. J. Robb chair. Treas. Mr. Russell gave his financial report, and announced that he was able to pay 6s. per class prize money, which was unanimously agreed to. Office-bearers for ensuing year—Mr. J. Robb was re-elected pres.; Mr. W. Murray, vice-pres.; J. Russell, treas.; A. Bishop, Sec. Unanimously agreed that all specials in the shape of goods be balloted the night before the show. All moneys to go to the funds of the club. Vote of thanks to the chairman closed the meeting.—A. Bishop, Sec.

STOKE-ON-TRENT C.B.A.

Meeting, Dec. 20. Sec. reported that the show-room was not available for the members' show intended for Boxing Day. Decided to postpone the fixture until Jan. 2, at Red Lion Hotel, Stoke. Mr. C. J. Robinson judge; and a good entry is anticipated. Decided that special prizes for best birds not awarded at Burslem show should be competed for at this show, in addition to club specials. Mr. Dalton is giving the usual six bottles of whisky, and Mr. Bullock 2s. 6d. cash, to be awarded as last year, for first to seventh most points.—J. Pitchford, Sec.

HALIFAX C.B.S.

Pic upper and social evening, Dec. 17, headquarters, Trafalgar Inn, King Cross, Halifax. 30 members and friends sat down to a splendid repast, very well arranged and catered for by the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Morton. The social evening was well presided over by our chairman, Mr. E. Stobart. Messrs. Wright, Copley (bass), R. McAndrews (humorist), J. Hamer (tenor), and Albert Brooks (baritone) entertained with songs and duets in their usual efficient manner. Mr. J. E. Priestly accompanied at the piano, and quite excelled himself. A hearty vote of thanks to the artistes, the host and hostess, the accompanist, and to all who had helped to make such an enjoyable evening, was moved by Mr. A. Sutcliffe, seconded by Mr. J. Felder. Mr. Copley replied on behalf of the artistes, and said it gave him pleasure to be amongst the cage bird fanciers; he was very much struck with the keen and friendly rivalry that existed between the members, and with the fine specimens that were shown by them. He was very much surprised at what could be done by working-men fanciers in their spare time, and was pleased to have the opportunity to reply on behalf of the artistes, as they all appreciated their thanks. Mr. Morton replied on behalf of himself and the hostess, and was met with the ringing "For he's a jolly good fellow." 11 o'clock brought a pleasant evening to a close.—A. Sutcliffe, Sec.

MEMBERS' SHOWS.

CONDENSED REPORTS.

HARROGATE C.B.S.—Nov. 28. 92 entries. Mr. Mundell judge. Mr. W. H. Hamlyn won sp. best Canary. Principal winners:—YORKS.: Cottam, Gill, Hamlyn, Barnwell, Levy, Lealman, Veitch. MULES: Dr. Wilson. BRIT.: Bousfield. Dec. 26. 59 ent. Mr. H. Sutcliffe judge. Principal winners: Cottam, Gill, Hamlyn, Veitch, Brown, Head, Gill.—G. H. Barnwell, sec.

MID-RHONDDA C.B.S.—3rd annual show. Mr. Curtis won sp. best Yorks, and took 1, 2, 3; Bees, 4. NOR.: 1, James; 2, Williams; 3, vhc, Morris; 4, Bees. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Ellis and Hughes.

LEIGH C.B.S.—Last of 3 table shows, Headquarters, Dec. 16. Mr. E. Clare judge. NOR.: 1, vhc, Dawson; 2, 3, hc, Ordish. YORKS.: All awards Spiby. MULES: All awards Taylor. Points of 3 shows combined: Taylor 31, Spiby 30, Ordish 20.—R. Charlson, Sec.

GOWLING F. AND F.A.—Last show of season, Napoleon Hotel, Dec. 19. 68 birds. Mr. T. Bennett judge. Principal winners: CHAMP.: Atkinson and Firth, Bleazard, Padgett, Hodgson, Robinson. NOV.: Sharp, Wardman, Pownall, Wood and Mirfield. Sp. winners: Champ, Green Mkd, most points on year, and recd. bow 1913 and 1914. Novice: Most points, Pownall; 3rd, medal, spl. gr. mkd., sp. yell. ck., Sharp; 2nd, medal, spl. gr. mkd., sp. yell. ck., Nicholl, Sec.

SHIPLEY O.S.—Dec. 19, Victoria Hotel. Mr. A. Cooper judge. Season's specials: Cup outright, Long; runners-up, Harrison, Hudson. Novices: 1, Rhodes Bros.; 2, Exell Bros. Principal winners: Long, Denton, Brotherton, Craven, Rhodes Bros., Hudson.—E. Grange, Sec.

BINGLEY O.S.—Dec. 19. Mr. H. Sutcliffe judge. Principal winners: Priestley, Butterworth and Hardy, Craven, Townley, Bailey. Result of 1914 competition: 1, Butterworth and Hardy; 2, Craven; 3, Bailey; 4, Priestley; 5, Townley.—H. Shaw, Sec.

GREAT HORTON GOOD INTENT.—Dec. 12. Mr. F. Armstrong judge 69 birds. Principal winners: YORKS.: Brown and Ramsden, Wice-Bright, Bartle, Ackroyd, Firth, Holden. NOR.: Kaberry. Points: 15, 26, Kaberry 24, Ackroyd 19, Bartle 17, Holden 15, Warburton 15. 6 highest for cup: Firth 79, Warburton 67, Bartle 65, Ackroyd 65, Kaberry 59, Pedder 40.—A. Firth, Sec.

LARKHALL C.B.S.—Table show, Y.M. Halls, Dec. 12. Mr. T. Ritchie judge. Principal winners: Allan, Kennedy, Thomson, Pollock. Points: Kennedy 28, Thomson 17, Allan 17, Pollock 13, Graham 11, Riddell 6, Gibb 2.—A. Thomson, Sec.

LEICESTER C.B.S.—Dec. 12, Hare and Pheasant. Judges, Messrs. Noates and Heigton. Principal winners: OPEN: Day, Claypole and Crane. NOVICE: Suffolk, Ashby, Hardbottle, Tyvers, West, Brooks, Yates, Steel, Brooks. MULES: Hester, Claypole and Crane, Brooks. BRIT.: Hawthorne, Brooks, Hardbottle, Ashby.—J. Hardbottle, Sec.

ECCLESHILL C.B.A.—Fountain Inn, Dec. 19. 59 entries. Mr. H. J. Chittenden judge. Principal winners: OPEN: Stebbings, Pearson, J. Wilcock. NOVICE: Sparks, Bousfield, Close, Simonett. NOR.: S. Wilcock, Simonett, Airton. Points for season: Champ. Yorks.: 1, Stelbings 76, 2, Pearson 58; 3, J. Wilcock 41. Nov.: 1, Sparks 77; 2, Bousfield 53; 3, Close 49. NOR.: 1, Airton 48; 2, S. Wilcock 35; 3, Simonett 21.—S. Wilcock, Hon. Sec.

TONG C.B.S.—Hand and Shuttle, Dec. 26. 71 entries. Mr. T. Bentley judge. Principal winners: CHAMP.: Casey, Hodgson, Jun., Hodgson, sen., Atkinson and Firth, Padgett, Gledhill. NOV.: Russell, Jowett and Robertshaw, Aspin Bros., Wardman. Points for year: Champ.: Gledhill 113, Casey 109, Padgett 101, Hodgson, sen., 83, Atkinson and Firth 67, Hodgson, Jun., 50. Nov.: Jowett and Robertshaw 104, Russell 94, Aspin Bros. 78, Wardman 75, Holt Bros. 69, Naylor 49. Mr. L. C. Casey wins trophy for 3rd time and outright.—W. Walker, Sec.

QUEENSBURY C.B.S.—Granby Hotel, Dec. 26. 54 birds. Judge, Mr. W. A. Cowgill. Principal winners: Ambler, Fowle, Stansfield, Sharpe, Hoyle, Farrer, Williams, Rolfe, Suggden, Blagbrough. Most points: 1, Hudson; 2, Fowle; 3, Hoyle; 4, Blagbrough. Novice most points, Fowle; most points un-flig., Suggden; most at 5 shows, Ambler; least with 20 entries, Farrer.—W. Jagger, Sec.

EAST ARDLEY C.B.S.—Black Swan, Dec. 26. British only. Principal winners: Waind, Pyrah, Burrell, Crossley.—P. Jowett, for H. Cochrane, Sec.

BOLTON WOODS C.B.S.—Victoria Hotel, Dec. 29. 65 birds. Mr. J. Bailey judge. Principal winners: Dykes, Goodwin, Blenheim, NOV.: Bryant, Oldrieve, Myere, Ellis, Aired, Powell. Sp. best bird, Dykes; cup, Goodwin; final points; champ.: Goodwin 100, Mason 92, Dykes 77, Bloomfield 55; novice: Bryant 93, Fretwell 72, Powell 56, Aired 54.—H. Bryant, Hon. Sec.

KEIGHLEY C.B.S.—Hare and Homds, Dec. 26. Mr. R. Halliday judge. Principal winners: E. Middleton, J. Middleton, Smith, Town, Burnett, Slater, Williams, Scalfie, Fawcett, Leach. NOV.: Booth, Moore, Farrar, Harrison. Spl. best open section, Smith; best hen in show, Town; best vhc, Scalfie; best bird and best ck. novice section, Moore. Season's points specials: J. Middleton 75, E. Middleton 62, Smith 49, Scalfie 49, Slater 47. Nov.: Harrison 58, Moore 57, W. Smith 40, Harding 22, Farrar 21.—C. W. Town, Sec.

The Shows.

MACCLESFIELD C.B.S.

Annual show, Assembly Rooms, Chestergate, Nov. 28. Entries were down, owing to many members having joined the Army, but quality was very high. A number of singing-Canaries were given by the members to be sold for the benefit of the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund, and these realised £1 6s. 3d. Mr. J. P. Collis won champ. cup, and H. Steel the novice cup. Mr. W. Booth judged to everyone's satisfaction.

The marked catalogue sent by Mr. H. Hall, hon. sec., gives the principal winners as follows: LANS.: Kay. NOR.: Collis, Lee, Barrett, Broadhurst, Moon, Hall, Bracegirdle. A.O.V.: Hall. BRIT.: Broadhurst, Kay. COLLIS. NOV. NOR.: Steel, Cundiff, Sherratt. MOORES. BRIT. ETC.: Moores, Steel, Jackson.

NEWCASTLE (East End) C.B.S.

First annual members' show, Assembly Rooms, Byker Bridge End, Nov. 27 and 28; a great success both financially and in the number and quality of birds staged. Entries totalled nearly 500 in 60 classes. The features of the show were the Nor., Cinn. and Crests. Some fine specimens were also shown in Borders. A grand list of specials for most points were in competition. Winners: Most points throughout show, Morrison; Nor., Morrison; Nor. Nov., Marshall; Crests, Hutchinson; Crests Nov., Simpson; Cinn., Coutts; Yorks., Archbold and Lascelles; Yorks. Nov. Studholme; Border, Espie; Gr. and Cinn. Bord., Johnson; Bord. Nov., Reed; Liz., Heslop; Scots Fancy, Mrs. Little; Mules, Greenwell; Brit., Coltman. Mr. Battye, Huddersfield, and Mr. Dewar, Edinburgh, judged.

The newspaper cutting sent by the hon. sec., Mr. J. W. Coutts, gives other principal winners as follows:—NOR.: McKay, Archbold and Lascelles, McGinn, M. Matthewson. NOV. NOR.: Wilson, Baker, Hyslop. CREST: Dobson, Martin, Armstrong, Robinson, Bewick, Riseborough. NOV. CRESTS: Rushton, Cinn.: Archbold and Lascelles, Winter, Armstrong, Doughty. YORKS.: Riseborough, Wigglesworth, Leek. NOV. YORKS.: Graham, Leek. BORD.: Moet, Smith, Peel, Greenwell, Young. GR. BORD.: Stephenson, Farrar, Render, Peel, Montgomery. CINN. Farrar, Smith, Chipside. NOV.: Moet. SCOTCH FANCY: Chipside, Harrison, Roy, MULES: Johnson, Scott, Reed. BRIT.: McGinn, Parker, Harbottle, John-son, Young, Stephenson, Reed, Newton Hutchinson, Heslop.

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NEWTONGRANGE.

Second annual show, Lothian Hall, Newtongrange, Dec. 19. Entries numbered 400, much the same as last year. Borders and British were a grand show, but the many Norwich fanciers in the district might have taken better advantage of this show considering so many others had been cancelled. The officials are all ardent fanciers, and with such men as Messrs. A. M. Gardiner, President, Wm. Thomson, Vice-President, and Mr. J. Nelson, sec., supported by a hard working committee of fanciers, Newtongrange should be able to hold a show second to none in this part of the country. Sp. best Nor. was won by Mr. E. Bell, with a fine variegated, shown in lovely bloom. Open B.F.C.C. medal, A. and W. Thomson, with a gem of a Green; Novice B.F.C.C. medal, A. Kitchen; best Mule or Brit., R. Heggie, Glasgow, with his well known cl. Greenf. Mule, put down in rattling order. Judges were: Norwich, Mr. J. Calderwood, Kilmarnock; Bord., Mr. R. H. Douglas, Loanhead; Brit. and Mules, Mr. J. Mason, Peebles, and their awards were well received. The surplus is to be divided equally between the Belgian and Red Cross Funds.

NOR. CL. or TKD. YELL. CK. (5): 1, Murray, grand size and subs., lovely col. and bloom, capital wings; 2, Scobbie, shade longer in barrel well rounded front, fine qual. of feather; 3, 4, 5, Gardiner, BUFF (3): 1, Nelson, stormer, fair size and shape, one bold head and front, rare qual.; 2, Nelson, not so chubby, but all there for qual. of feather and cond.; 3, Noble, capital head, fine short flights and tail. YELL. HEN (4): 1, 3, Gardiner, grand head, neck and front, fine cobby shape, sound level col.; 2, Nelson, grand frontal, capital subs., teaming with qual., well placcd. BUFF: 1, Moffat, rare size and shape, gem for col. and qual., put down in grand bloom; 2, Nelson, capital head and neck, well laid on wings, fine texture of feather. VAR. CK. (6): 1, Bell, buff var., extra size and shape, noble head and front, lovely texture of feather, takes sp. best Nor.; 2, Murray, beautiful shape, grand head and neck, teaming with qual.; 3, 4, Gardiner, grand head, well across perch, capital bloom; 5, Weir; 6, Robertson. HEN (5): 1, Gardiner, heavy var., correct type, lovely size and shape, rich qual. of feather; 2, Noble, mkd. on breast, well balanced, good head and chest, capital wings and tail; 3, Barrie, eye, neck, and head mkd., rare head, neck, and front, fine cobby shape, in rare bloom; 4, Moffat; 5, Nelson. UN-FLIG. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Nelson, mkd. neck, rare size, qual., and col., good head and neck; 2, Noble, fails head, fine cobby shape, nice feather, capital short flights; 3, Maxwell, rare head and neck, fine eye, rich col. and qual.; 4, Moffat; 5, Craig; 6, Skinner. BUFF (8): 1, 3, Gardiner, cl. leading, great size and subs., grand mealing, well staged, 3 fine stamp, good bold head and front, well carried wings; 2, Adam, good size and subs., fine col. and qual., A1 wing carr.; 4, Clark; 5, Noble; 6, Grant. HEN (13): 1, 4, Adam, fine size, rich col. and qual., grand flights, nicely carried; 2, 5, Nelson, gem for shape, feather and qual., fine head and front; 3, Noble, cl. yell., full of qual., fine short flights and tail, nice texture of feather; 6, Scobbie. NON-FED CK. (5): 1, 5, Moffat, capital ehape, good head and frontal, nicely feathered; 2, Stoddart, shade weak on head, good shape and feather, lovely col. and qual.; 3, Craig, nice yell., capital ehape, nice wings and tail, good feather; 4, Gardiner. HEN (3): 1, Gardiner, gem for shape, feather, and qual., grand head and neck, good wing carr.; 2, Moffat, looks a nice one, bit soft when taking notes; 3, Skinner, shade small, nice qual., feather and bloom. SELLING: 1, 2, Barrie; 3, Murray; 4, Skinner; 5, Gardiner, D.C. leading, capital formation, neat centre, C.B. hen on the small side, nicely lashed; 6, McKigen, good sized C.B. ck., fine subs. SCOTCH FANCY CK. (4): 1, 4, Purvis, gr., nice size and subs., fine length of side, but we thought a bit lucky to beat 2nd. Smart, grand top end, and drive, fine thickness through chest; 3, Clark, capital buff pied, fine shoulders, rare drive. HEN (1): Young, buff pied, fair size, capital style and action. YORKS. CK. (3): 1, Bell, nice col. and qual., good flights and tail, stands well up; 2, 3, Heggie, capital buff, fine length, good head and breast, grand ewagger, 3 yell., well drawn, good length and pos. HEN (3): 1, 3, Heggie, leader excels in type, good head and neck, 3 nice buff, fine size and subs.; 2, Bell, cl. buff, nice length, good col. and qual. BORD. CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (9): 1, G. Bennett, sweet size and shape, nicely rounded head and front, perfect wing carr.; 2, Hisslop, capital type, good head and neck, fine size and weight, shade strong in col.; 3, Young, similar to leader, lovely texture of feather, sweet head and neck, fine wing and tail carr.; 4, Patterson; 5, Rintoul; 6, Hisslop. BUFF (16): 1, G. Bennett, charming cl., round as a bottle, in rare bloom, clinking col.; 2, Hamilton, capital type, neat head and neck, well laid on wings, beaten col. only; 3, Young, rattling shape, beautiful type and qual., grand head, neck and back, fine pipe tail; 4, Dalgleish; 5, Johnston; 6, Watson. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Smart, well-known winner, gem for shape, neatest of heads, just a little open in wing carr. to-day; 2, 3, H. Bennett, lovely brace, 2 fine size and weight, inclined to be open at wings, 3 our choice for second place, good type, well rounded head and front, nice wing carr.; 4, Kitchen; 4, Craig; 6, Patterson. BUFF (15): 1, Potts, good head and neck, lovely qual. of feather, nice wings, inclined to stand too erect; 2, G. Bennett, close up, well rounded head, front and back, exquisite feather, in rare bloom; 3, Rintoul, fine size and weight, nice level col., well braced wings, neat tail; 4, Watson; 5, Craig; 6, Patterson. EVEN MKD.: 1, Hamilton, grandly balanced markings, fine type and qual. of feather; 2, Patterson, sen., perfect markings, fails a shade in type, nice bloom; 3, 4, Johnstone, beaten in eye marks, capital type and qual., well braced wings; 5, Wilson. UNEVEN CK. (11): 1, Hamilton, mkd. head, eye, and wings, gem for type, rich col. and qual., in fine bloom; 2, Rintoul, good head and neck, well rounded front and back, nice markings, fine close up; 3, Wilson, mkd. eyes and right wing, fine qual. feather, good taper; 4, Brown; 5, Patterson; 6, Lumsden. HEN (8): 1, Rintoul, mkd. right eye and wings, gem for type and qual., fine texture of feather; 2, Ketchen, nov. medal winner, nice type, good head and front, neat wings and tail; 3, 5, Crabb and Finlayson, mkd. both eyes, head, and wings, sweet size and shape, lovely taper; 4, Patterson; 6, Stirling. YELL. GR. CK. (10): 1, 2, Thomson, clinkers, rich, grassy green, leader wins on side lacing, both in grand bloom; 3, Lumsden, gem for type, col., and lacing, fine round head, clee up; 4, Johnstone; 5, Hamilton; 6, Dodds. BUFF (11): 1, 3, Thomson, 1 charming buff, dense col., grandly

laced, 3 just a shade light below, nice one for type; 2, Greenwell, nicely rounded head and body, capital col. and lacing; 4, Dalgleish; 5, Johnstone; 6, Dodds. HEN (9): 1, 2, Johnstone, wonderful pair, leader excels col. and lacing, A1 type, 2 shade fainter on thigh markings; 3, Hamilton, falls col. to leaders, capital lacing; 4, Lumsden; 5, Thomson; 6, Lambie. CINN.: 1, 2, Wilson, rare col., best of shape, lovely texture of feather, 2 very rich col., good type and qual., capital bloom; 3, Gentleman, shade flat on head, capital col., wing, and tail carr.; 4, Hamilton; 5, Lambie; 6, Patterson. CL., ETC.: MULE OR HYB.: 1, Heggie, well-known light Greenf. Mule, in grand trim; 2, McQuiston, grand size and col., lovely bloom; 3, Wilson; 4, Patterson. DARK GOLDF. OR LINNET: 1, McQuiston, Linnet Mule, hot fed one, rare col. and subs.; 2, Rolls, clinking Goldf. Mule, nice lush face, fine cond.; 3, Wilson, Linnet Mule, on the small side, capital col. and cond.; 4, Harn and McName; 5, Scobbie; 6, Patterson, jun. A.O.V. MULE (6): 1, McQuiston, clinking Greenf., rattling col. and size, wins; 2, Bell, varieg. Goldf., capital col. and cond.; 3, Rolls, nice Mule, but rough in feather; 4, Finnie; 5, Hisslop; 6, Wilson. GOLDF. (11): 1, Sykes, extra big blaze, good tans and buttons, nice wing bars; 2, Watson, another nice Finch, fails tans to winner, grandly mooned, lovely cond.; 3, McIntosh, fine size, nice square blaze, line wing bars; 4, Whyte; 5, Chalmers; 6, Finnie. BULLE (11): 1, McQuiston, capital size and shape, well defined cap, nice breast col.; 2, Fairgrieve, good big one, very rich breast col., falls dense to winner; 3, Wilson, a real stormer, rare big dense black cap, nice wing bars; 4, Bell; 5, Dalgleish; 6, Hoyle. GREENF. (7): 1, Brownlie and Cook, fine big Finch, grand subs., but spoiled with colour feed; 2, Gentleman, clinker for size and shape, grand frontal, nicey fed; 3, Sykes, real stormer, nat. col., fine bold head and front, might have gone up; 4, Allan; 5, Weir; 6, Dempster. LINNET H.M. (6): 1, 2, McQuiston, nice one, good col. and markings, 2 fails in markings; 3, Wilson, on the small side, nice col. and markings; 4, Stoddart; 5, Allan; 6, Lees. P.M. (4): 1, McQuiston, extra good col. and lacing, fine whites; 2, Hoyle, capital Linnet, well defined markings, sound col., a little unsteady; 3, Finnie, nice size, col., and markings. REDPOLL P.M. (10): 1, Johnstone, capital size and col., well mkd.; 2, Wilson, good one, fine col. and cond., looks like a house-moulded one; 3, Findlay, grand one all over for col. and markings, might have gone up; 2, Lambie; 5, Brownlie-Cook; 6, Sykes. SISKIN, ETC. (10): 1, 2, McQuiston, beautiful Siskin leading, capital cap and wing bars, 2 Twice, all there for col. and markings, well staged, in grand bloom; 3, Calder, falls size to winner, but still a capital Siskin; 4, Allan; 5, Johnstone; 6, Brownlie and Cook. BRAMBLE, ETC. (3): 1, Sykes, capital Bramble, nice spangling, and col.; 2, Allan, Chaffinch, stormer for size and col., grand whites; 3, McQuiston, another capital Finch, rich col. and markings. BUNTING (4): 1, McQuiston, grand Corn leading, capital cond.; 2, missing; 3, Watson, extra good yellowhammer, capital V, well staged; 4, Calder. SOFTBILL, SMALL (2): 1, Watson, charming Redstart, in lovely cond., wins, and no mistake; 2, Smith, yellow Wag-tail, bit soft when taking notes. LARGE: 1, Sykes, Cornish Chough, in splendid cond., nicely staged; 2, Smith, capital Waxwing, in rare bloom; 3, Blackie, good Missel, nice markings and cond. A.O. BRIT. (2): 1, Sykes, fine, big Hayfinch, grand bib and col.; 2, Stoddart, another nice Hawfinch, good cond. FOR. GOLDF. OR BULF. (4): 1, Craig, grand Bullf. leading, rich crimson breast, good cap and wing bars; 2, Nelson, Bullf., not size of leader, nice in breast col.; 3, McKigen, Goldf., nice size, capital col. and cond.; 4, Dunemore. SMALL FOR. (1): 1, Barrie. LARGE (2): 1, Sykes, glossy Starling, an old face, looking well, shining like satin; 2, Gardiner, fine Parrot, in nice order. SELL. BRIT. (9): 1, Sykes; 2, Bell; 3, Watson; 4, Nelson; 5, Lambie; 6, Blackie.

HASTINGS & ST. LEONARDS C.B.S.

16th Annual Show, November 17, Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Although the show this year was confined to members, entries numbered over 300, considerably over the total of the last open show. The success was mainly due to the untiring efforts of the hon. sec., Miss Irene Kirk-Bullock, and the magnificent results achieved must have afforded her considerable pleasure. The proceeds were devoted to the benefit of the Belgian Refugees, and the show was to have been opened by H.R.H. the Duchess of Vendome, Princess of Belgium. H.R.H. having, however, been called to Paris upon Red Cross duties, the Mayoress of Hastings kindly performed the ceremony, and was supported by the Mayor (Councillor E. A. Hocking), and a very influential company, including a number of wounded Belgian officers and soldiers. Special winners were: Yorks Champ. Cup (outright), F. Wright, who also had the runner-up, besides winning the Kirk-Bullock trophy for best Yorks. A. Walker; Nor. cup, Nor. G. Cramp; nov. Yorks. A. Walker; Nor. cup, W. Ellis (outright); cup best Brit. or Hyb., H. Howick; best For., Dr. Lovell-Keays. Other specials were won as follows: Best Hyb. and best among cup winners, H. Howick; best lady's, Mrs. Norman; members', Berd, Miss Vale; A.O.V., R. Craig; Nor. team, W. Ellis; Yorks. pair, T. Veness; best pair in show, Dr. Lovell-Keays; best single, R. Craig; Non-member residents: Pair Canaries, W. Cox; pair British, F. Cornford; children's pet, Masters Greengrass; Ramsden's medal, R. Cragg. Points winners: Wright, Veness (2), Morris and Son, Olie, Pennells, Mrs. Slack, Walker, Mrs. Greengrass, Mrs. Norman, Mrs. Crofts, Cramp, Relf, Howick, Dr. Keays, Lady Webster, Miss Johnson. Mr. J. Robson judged. The principal class winners were: YORKS.: Wright, Walker, Veness, Howick, Slack, Morris and Son, Miss Dawson, Greengrass. NOR.: Ellis, Borman, Olie, Pennells. NOV. YORKS.: Walker, Mrs. Slack, Mrs. Greengrass. NOR.: Mrs. Crofts, French, Mrs. Norman, Turner, Cramp, Tidy, Mrs. Crofts, West, Wilson. BORD.: Miss Vale. A.O.V.: Cragg, Olie. BRIT.: Relf, Cragg, Howick, Morris and Son, Veness, Relf, Pennells, Miss Dawson. MULES: Howick, Olie. FOR.: Dr. Lovell-Keays, Lady Webster, Miss Sturton-Johnson. NOR. TEAM: Ellis, Pennells, Olie. YORKS.: Veness. A.O.V.: Miss Sturton-Johnson. NOR. PAIRS: Ellis, Pennells, Craig. YORKS.: Wright, Morris and Son. A.O.V.: Dr. Lovell-Keays. LOCAL CAN.: Cox, Miss Bailey, Miss Eutcher. BRIT.: Cornford, Mitchell, Fox. MULES: Miss Plummer. CHILDREN'S: C. Greengrass.

ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE O.S.

11th annual show, P.S.A. Rooms, Nov. 28. Rollers were a fine collection, staged in a separate room. E. Pye won sp. best unfig. Yorks. Mr. H. W. Battye judged. We take the following principal winners from catalogue sent by Mr. J. Whitehead, sec.—NOR.: Foxall, Kelsall, Marsland, Phillips, Storey, Whitehead, Baron, Green, YORKS.: Green, Etchells, Barley, Pye, Whitehead. A.O.V.: Marsland, Kelsall. MULE: Flowers. BRIT.: Stubbs, Phillips, Baron, Pye, Flowers. ROLLERS awards not sent.

ABERDEEN.

Annual exhibition of the Aberdeen Amalgamated C.B.S., Music Hall Buildings, Dec. 18 and 19, under the distinguished patronage of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the City of Aberdeen, also the Cinnamon C.C. Chairman Mr. John Hector works very hard to make things work smoothly, and he is well backed up by the Vice-Presidents, Messrs. Wm. Rae, M. Rae and J. Sandison. Mr. Wm. Allison acted as Sec. and Treas., and Mr. John Bryson Ast. Sec., and a large staff of experienced fanciers formed the committee. The entry was a grand one, no less than 750, the best the Society has had for many a year, while quality throughout was of the very highest, many Southern exhibitors sending up grand teams. Norwich were the outstanding feature. Mr. Wm. Allison gained the N.P.C. medal for best Canary in show, also the Challenge Cup best young bird; Mr. E. Taylor, sp. best British, with a lovely Black Redstart; Mr. T. Haytor had a very nice team of exhibits and Mr. J. Palmer; they were outstanding exhibits and were greatly admired. Mr. Robertson showed some lovely Foreign birds which were well worth seeing. Mr. James Smeaton, Musselburgh, and Mr. J. Ritchie, Brechin, judged Norwich; and Mr. Wm. Bishop, Stirling, the remainder, and their awards were well received.

YELL. CK. (13): 1, Mitchell, grand size, lovely shape, good broad head, short and thick set, best of col., wins; 2, McLean, not the subs. of 1st, good col. and qual.; 3, Hendry, much the type of winner, only fails in col.; 4, Ritchie; 5, Kerr; 6, Taylor. BUFF (9): 1, Robb, good size, bit flat on head, and showing too much lashing, bit a grand stock bird; 2, Hendry, rare head, neck and chest, good shape, nice col.; 3, Yeats, best of type, teaming with qual., grand col.; 4, Allison, tip-top col. and qual.; 5, Black; 6, Calderwood. VAR. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Allison, tremendous size, rare head and neck, nicely rounded body, good wing carr., hot fed; 2, Calderwood, var., A1 col. and cond., not quite so large; 3, Ross and Duncan, good size and col., not a bad one; 4, 5, Wilson; 6, Hampton. BUFF (10): 1, Allison, eyes and wing mark, grand size, lovely shape, good chest and back, neat wings and tail; 2, Collic, A1 shape, good head and neck; 3, Kerr, var., nice size, very fine shape, good col. and cond.; 4, Kennedy; 5, Hampton; 6, Sandison. YELL. HEN (6): 1, 3, Allison; 1st cl., two nice exhibits, well turned out; 2, Maxwell, cl., best of type, col. and qual.; 4, Sandison; 5, Reid; 6, Kennedy. BUFF (10): 1, Dunn, good type, teaming with qual.; 2, Hampton, lovely head and neck, very fine shape, good col., splendid cond.; 3, Maxwell, fine size, full chest, best of qual.; 4, Taylor; 5, Wilson; 6, Scott. VAR. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Ironside, mkd. head, beauty for shape, short and cobby, rare size, nice head and neck, full chest; 2, 4, Hendry; 2nd, nice head and neck, and cond.; 3, Allison, var., good size and col.; 5, Yeats; 6, Reid. VAR. BUFF HEN (8): 1, Calderwood, var., best of type, short cobby body, beautiful feather; 2, Hendry, neat head and back, grand wing carr., lovely qual.; 3, 5, Sandison; 3rd, fine size and shape, good head and neck; 4, Ross and Duncan; 6, Clubb. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (14) a grand class: 1, 2, Mitchell; 1st, nicely balanced, hot fed, good head and neck, short and cobby; 2nd, var., sweet qual., rare cond., well fed; 3, Allison, not quite the subs. of winner; 4, Adams; 5, Hector; 6, Reid; No. 7, Grewar, a good Will, var., rare size and qual., good type and col.; 2, Strachan, gr., well up in size, best of qual. and cond.; 3, Henry, nice shape, grand head and neck, inclined to cross wings at times; 4, Allison; 5, Calderwood; 6, Reid. YELL. HEN, 1913 (9): 1, 2, Allison, beauties and no mistake, both cl., good size and shape, teaming with qual. and cond.; 3, Maxwell, var., well up in size, splendid head and neck, good col.; 4, Moffat; 5, Hendry; 6, Campbell. BUFF (9): 1, Grewar, almost gr., grand type, A1 subs. and cond.; 2, Davidson, tkd. on head, sweet qual., best of col., nice wing carr.; 3, Will, cl., good head and subs., A1 col.; 4, Mitchell; 5, Yeats; 6, Ross and Duncan. NAT. COL. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Allison, grand size and qual.; 2, Grewar, true Nor. type, rare feather; 3, Todd. BUFF (5): 1, Campbell, mkd. eyes, grand chest, good head and neck, lovely wing carr. and cond.; 2, Gordon, cl., nice size, col. and cond.; 3, Sandison, good type and qual.; 4, Scott; 5, Balneaves. YELL. HEN (4): 1, Campbell, a cl., neatly moulded, nice size, col. and feather; 2, Reid, almost gr., grand size and cond.; 3, Mitchell, grand head and neck, good subs and qual.; 4, Todd. BUFF (2): 1, Stewart, var., broad and full neck, best of qual., nice type; 2, Moffat, cl., not quite so bold in front, A1 qual. and col. GREEN CK. (6): 1, Ross and Duncan, lovely type, rare size and cond.; 2, Grewar, buff, good shape, rare size and cobby, tight as wax; 3, Hector, rare head, neck and chest, best of qual.; 4, Garden; 5, Taylor; 6, Ritchie. HEN (4): 1, Mitchell, yell. gr., true Norwich properties, rare col. and qual.; 2, Ross and Duncan, also yell., not much behind; 3, Hendry; 4, Campbell. MEMB. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (13): 1, Macdonald, grand col., best of qual. and in nice trim; 2, Allison, grand shape and col.; 3, Rae, well up in size, neat head and neck, grand wings and tail; 4, Will; 5, Reid; 6, Robertson. BUFF (14): 1, 3, Will, both good size, nice even col., best of qual.; 2, Strachan, very fine shape, rare head and neck, well rounded body, best of qual.; 4, Allison; 5, Sandison; 6, Macdonald. YELL. HEN (5): 1, 2, Allison, nice hens, short and cobby; 3, Sandison, cl., grand shape, nice level grand col. and cond.; 4, Clubb; 5, Forsyth. BUFF (9): 1, 5, Will; 1st, best of type, nice head and well rounded body; 2, Davidson, well up in size, grand cond.; 3, Hector, a little weak in head, A1 qual. and col.; 4, Collic; 6, Forsyth. CINN. CK. (8): 1, 5, Dick; 1st, grand size, hot fed, best of qual.;

2, Wilson, not quite so bold in front, grand col. and cond.; 3, 6, Rae; 3rd, good size, col. and qual.; 4, Macdonald. HEN (4): 1, Wilson, nice hen, grand subs. and col.; 2, 4, Clubb; 2nd, well up in size, best of col., good wings and tail; 3, Dick, lovely qual. and cond. CREST CK. (6): 1, Hector, lovely feather, nicely radiated, crest of good size and droop; 2, 3, Main; 2nd, nice head and good length of crest feather; 4, Grant; 5, Todd; 6, Cannon. HEN (6): 1, Main, nice length of feather, good cond.; 2, 4, Knight; 2nd, good droop and nice centre; 3, 6, Grant, A1 size and subs.; 5, Hector. C.B. CK. (5): 1, Hector, fine entrance, well lashed, grand body, plenty feather; 2, 5, Grant, 2nd excels in head, nicely lashed, good subs. and size; 3, 4, Knight. HEN (6): 1, 2, Grant, good ones, rare length of feather, well lashed, plenty subs.; 3, 4, Main, good stock hens; 5, Hector; 6, Cannon. PAIR (4): 1, Sandison, well balanced pair, both of good size and subs.; 2, Todd, useful; 3, Ross and Duncan; 4, Macdonald. BORD. YELL. CK. (3): 1, Craig, lovely type and qual., feathered like boxwood, A1 cond.; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, a wee gem, grand type and qual., A1 wings and tail. HEN (1): 1, Craig, a true Border. BUFF CK. (2): 1, Gentleman, nice mover, excellent carr. and qual.; 2, Craig, fine type, beautiful qual. and cond. HEN (1): 1, Craig, a model, well made, and lovely qual. YELL. VAR. (3): 1, Strachan, nice type, good qual., A1 mover; 2, Crabb and Finlayson, grand col., best of qual., free and jaunty; 3, Craig. BUFF (3): 1, Craig, gem, nice carr. and fine type, grand wing and tail carr.; 2, Gentleman; 3, Ritchie. YORKS. YELL. CK. (11): 1, Clunas, bright col., well drawn and racy, slim and shapely; 2, 3, Heggie, two nice exhibits, straight as a pencil, A1 col., fine length and cond.; 4, Bisset, not so slim, good col. and feather; 5, 6, Wilkinson. BUFF (8): 1, Heggie, lovely texture of feather, rare length, neat all through; 2, Wilkinson, bright col., well drawn, good length; 3, 6, Clunas; 3rd, grand qual. and cond., well on legs, A1 col.; 4, Bisset; 5, Stewart. CINN. YELL. CK. (7): 1, Dormer, a stormer, great size, lovely polish, col. of the best, a grand bird; 2, 6, Bentley; 2nd, not so rich in col., good size and qual.; 3, Wagstaff, fine dense col., nice qual. of feather; 4, 5, Wilson. The remainder of this report had not reached us at time of going to press.—Editor.

ISLINGTON F.A.

24th annual show, Nov. 28. Mr. F. Laccochee won cup with a good all-round cl. yell. Nor., and sp. best in show with another yell. Nor. in faultless cond. Nov. cup, Lagdon. W. T. Amery ably carried out duties of sec., and Geo. Wainwright acted as show manager. Mr. Bamber judged, and gave entire satisfaction.

YORKS.: 1, res, Neighbour; 2, 3, Laccochee. UN-FLIG.: 1, Neighbour; 2, 3, Laccochee. NOR. CL.: 1, 2, 3, res, Laccochee; vhc, Lagdon. OR. VAR.: 1, 2, 3, res, Laccochee; hcn, Lagdon. NAT. COL.: 1, 2, 3, res, Laccochee; hcn, Lagdon. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, res, Payne; 2, he, Laccochee. A.O.V. CAN.: 1, Laccochee; 2, Lagdon; 3, res, Neighbour. BRIT.: 1, 3, Neighbour; 2, Laccochee.—G. Wainwright.

OPENSHAW, GORTON C.B.S.

Annual show, Clubrooms, Alhambra Theatre, Higher Openshaw, Nov. 21. Competition all round was very keen, and there was a record entry of 91 birds.

AMAT., YORKS. CK.: 1, 2, Green; 3, 4, Gilbert. YORKS. HEN: 1, 2, Green; 3, 4, Gilbert. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 4, Peters; 3, Chilton. HEN: 1, 1, Chilton; 2, 4, Peters; 3, Green. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 4, Chilton; 3, Peters. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, 1, Dewar; 2, Painter; 3, Beddall; 4, Richards. BUFF: 1, Dewar; 2, 4, Beddall; 3, Painter. HEN: 1, 3, Richards; 2, Dewar; 4, Wilkinson. UNFLIG.: 1, Beddall; 2, 3, Dewar; 4, Richards. NOR. CK.: 1, 2, 4, Cain; 3, Giles. HEN: 1, 1, 3, Cain; 2, 4, Richards. UNFLIG.: 1, Cain; 2, 4, Richards; 3, Giles. BORD.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Newton. BRIT.: 1, 4, Newton; 2, 3, Green. MULE: 1, 3, 4, Giles; 2, Richards.—A. W. Newton, Hon. Sec.

DERBY C.B.S.

56th annual show, Nov. 28, Normanton Hotel. Over 200 birds were staged. The society possesses some excellent officials, Mr. E. H. Rainsford president, and several well-known leading Derby gentlemen vice-presidents, including his Worship the Mayor (Coun. J. Hill), Coun. J. Newton, Messrs. J. G. Fox, W. Stevenson, R. Theaker, and others. Challenge cup for the best young Nor. was a varieg. yell. bred by J. Sharman. Challenge cup Yorks., J. Watts, with a clear yellow Nor., which would hold its own in any show. Mules and Brit. made a very fair show, some good specimens being staged in excellent condition. Mr. W. Vardy (Notts.) judged in a very efficient manner, and Mr. F. W. Jordan was in charge of the secretarial duties.

From the press cutting sent by the hon. sec. we gather that the principal winners were: YOUNG: NOR. CL. OR TKD.: Watts, Parnell, Morrell, Sharman, Tongue, Jordan. YORKS.: Pass, Wood, Cockeram, Cockeram, Barton, York. A.O.V.: Elkins, MULE: Parnell, Mockridge. NOV.: Jordan, Mockridge. OLD: NOR.: Tongue, Pegg, Watts, Bamsey, Roberts, Oliver, Twells, Sharman. A.O.V.: Tongue, Wilmot. MULES: Seamer, Parnell. BRIT.: Jordan, Barton, Watts, Oliver, Bamsey, Seamer. YORKS.: Cockeram.

CRYSTAL PALACE & PENGE C.B.S.

First annual show, Alexandra Hotel, Penge, Nov. 11. The room, kindly lent for the occasion by the treasurer, Mr. Hutton, is a capital place for a show, with plenty of light, and all conveniences, the staging was neatly arranged, and everything in good order. The collection was a varied one and comprised some good examples. Mr. Fairman won sp. best unfig. with his tkd yell. cock. Although the Norwich were not particularly numerous they were a choice lot. Mr. Hutton won sp. for best in section with a grand yellow of fine substance. The secretary, Mr. Legge, was unable to attend through business pressure, but Messrs. Hutton, Fryett, Cory, and Britton managed affairs admirably. There was a capital attendance. Mr. H. Norman judged. NOR. YELL.: 1, Hutton. BUFF: 1, Hutton. A.O.V.: 1, 2, 4, Whiffen; 3, Halhead. HEN: 1, 2, Whiffen. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, 3, Whiffen; 4, vhc, Legge; c, Halhead. YORKS. YELL. CK.: 1, Foxen; 2, Fairman; 3, Hutton. BUFF: 1, Fairman; 2, Hutton. HEN: 1, 3, Foxen; 2, Fairman. UNFLIG.: 1, 2, Poindrestre; 3, Umndell. BUFF: 1, c, Poindrestre; 2, Last; 3, Fryett; vhc, Rogers; hc, Powell. HEN: 1, 4, Poindrestre; 2, Last; 3, Fryett; vhc, Rogers; hc, Powell. UNFLIG.: 1, 3, Poindrestre; 2, hc, Powell; 4, Humphries; vhc, c, Fryett. BORD.: YELL. CK.: 1, Rev. Soames. BUFF: 1, Rev. Soames. NOV.: BORD.: YELL.: 1, 2, Last. BUFF: 1, sp, 2, Last. MULE: 1, Hutton; 2, Gullies; 3, Whiffen; 4, Humphries. HYB.: 1, 2, Gullies. GOLDF.: 1, 2, 4, Cory; 3, Stone; vhc, Gullies. BULLE: 1, Cory; 2, Hutton; 3, Gullies. LINNET: 1, Cory; 2, Pobee. REDPOLL, ETC.: 1, Gullies; 2, 3, 4, Cory; vhc, Poggee. A.O. HARDBILL: 1, hc, c, Cory; 3, vhc, Gullies; 4, Rev. Soames. SOFTBILL: 1, Stone. FOR.: 1, 2, 3, 4, Gullies. GIFT: 1, 2, Cory.

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EXCHANGE pair of good Yorkshires, value 15/6, for good yellow Norwich cock; approval: F. Brown, 13, Orchard-rd., Darlington. (1965)

EXCHANGE 1914 buff Yorkshire cock and two yellow hens for two 1914 yellow Norwich cocks: Beresford, 27, York-st., Leek, Staffs. (1965)

THIRTEEN Canaries, one Linnets Mule, sell 30/-, or exchange English lever watch: William Adams, Park-rd., Gallatow, Kirkcaldy. (1963)

NORWICH cock, 8/6; exchange Linnets or Goldfinch Mule, must be good songster; approval: Lea, 65, Waterloo Square, Camberwell. (1971)

EXCHANGE three large young hen Canaries, unmarked, for light cock Goldfinch Mule, or offers; apply: Straw, 27, Birkland-st., Mansfield. (1964)

WILL give a splendid pair of lengthy Yorkshires and gent's solid silver Albert for good contest Roller: 95, Wellington-st., Chadderton, Oldham. (1967)

EXCHANGE pair clear yellow Norwich, champion breeding pair, for Water-gluce Roller cock; approval both ways: Tom Morris, Bakehouse Yard, Pwllheli. (1964)

WANTED, Rollers or Roller metal cages and cabinets; exchange first class liver spaniel bitch puppy, 7 weeks, ears on ground, fine specimen, sell 25/-; Peters, Little Hulton. (1966)

WHAT offers in Canaries or British or foreign birds for single or double-breeding cages, or Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages: McKeand, Cage Manufacturer, Castle-Douglas. (575)

WILL sell or exchange 6 pairs of high-class Yorkshires, Golden Bred strain from 15/10 to 30/- pair; or exchange for good quality Norwich; approval: Taylor, 59, Chapel-st., Leigh, Lancs. (1957)

FORTY high-class Norwich and Yorkshires, winners and stock birds; sell cheap, or exchange new boots, clothing, drapery, dress material, disc records, or cycle tyres; offers: Soper, 22, Vernon-rd., Sutton, Surrey. (1957)

HANDSOME Airedale dog, black back, rich tan head and quarters, fond of children, lady's companion, sacrifice £3, good home; or exchange Canaries, poodle dog, Yorkshire bitch: Lanham, 36, Walcot-st., Bath. (1971)

WANTED, offers for one house moulting, one field moulting Goldfinches, 2 Linnets, all can win; £2, or exchange for two pairs of good Yorkshires, or separate; no rubbish offered or wanted, yours first: Osborne, 19, Broad-st., Kingswood, Bristol. (1966)

Mainly Foreign.

EXHIBITORS.—Red-collared Lorikeet, winner, 60/-; exchange Gouldians, or offers; approval: Muscott, Mount Pleasant, Llandrindod Wells. (1971)

Miscellaneous.

See Rollers: "Annadale," Bamford-rd., Didsbury, Manchester. (1960)

GEM air-gun; exchange large Norwich hens or Yorkshire show cages: Graham, Ballybrack. (1960)

EXCHANGE gem air-rifle and set of boxing gloves for Norwich cock and cage: Hunt, Chatham Row, Bath. (1966)

SALE or exchange high-class lop rabbits for Canaries, of good quality: E. Saxon, 27, Oxford-rd., Smethwick. (1964)

EXCHANGE good pair yellow breeding Budgerigars for British, or sell 5/6: West Britannia-st., Aylesbury, Bucks. (1965)

CROSS whippet bitch; exchange hen Norwich or Yorkshire Canary, sell cheap: Setby Cottage, Brockenhurst. (1966)

FIVE aviary-bred Budgerigars, 2/- each, or would exchange for poultry, no Bantams: Blay, 209, Bolton-rd., Heywood. (1964)

EXCHANGE pair tame hand-reared Kestrel Hawks for Canaries, or sell 7/6: 346, Oldham-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester. (1963)

WHAT offers Canaries or fresh British for that grand book, "Our Canaries": Steele, 23, Lord-st., Hulme, Manchester. (1967)

LAYING pullets, singing Canaries, Parrots, etc., given in exchange for other Fancy: Barlow's Aviaries, Greenwich. (1970)

PAIR well-bred Norwich yellow or buff, exchange pair good army shirts, boots: H. Welsh, Cornstall-buildings, Stamford. (1965)

EXCHANGE pair cycle tyres, 26, 1 1/2, beaded edge, one slightly damaged; offers Roller hen: Dalzell, 96, Barker-st., Oldham. (1970)

SMART healthy Yorkshire Green hens, 3/6 each; exchange 2 for cock; harmonium, 15/-, offers: 21, Sebert-rd., Forest Gate. (1970)

200 CYLINDER phonograph records, new condition, 4/6 doz.; offers anything; letters only: Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (1966)

LARGE cock Greenfinch; exchange 2 10in. double records, or hen Mule or Canary: Percival, 46, Burgess-st., Great Grimsby. (1965)

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All are well on seed; guaranteed English cock Goldfinches, 2/- each, three 5/6, hens 1/-; cock Bullfinches, 2/- and 2/6, hens 1/6 and 2/-; real Lancashire and large Scotch brown Linnets, 10d., 1/- each; caged off, singing, 1/6 and 2/-; cock Twites, 1/- each; cock Siskins, very scarce, can't buy for money, 7/6 each; cock Larks, 6d., 8s., 10s.; caged off, singing, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/-; three 1/4, six 2/6; cock Brambling, 1/- and 1/6 each; Chaffinches, 1/-, and 1/6 each; Greenfinches, 6d. each, three 1/3; cages for any of above from 6d., 9d., 1/1, 1/3, 1/6, and 2/-. Seed grinding mills, 1/6; send for catalogue of everything; established 50 years: Sandford, Bird Specialist and Judge, Preston, Lancs.; also 80, Scater-st., Shoreditch, London. (1915)

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at the ridiculous low prices to clear, the room is wanted: 10 stirring Brambling, good typical specimens, full of colour and markings, 5/-, 10/-, 15/-, only want to be seen to convince you they are honestly worth double; six extra large Goldfinches, those with the good square flazes, best of wings and tannings, fit to win anywhere, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, six tip-top Linnets, real good birds, colour and pencilling is all that can be desired, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-; one good Yellow Greenfinch, 7/6; one cock Yellowhammer, the best headed bird ever seen, clear and distinct V; the above collection I purchased from one of the leading exhibitors who has not the time to exhibit now; they are really good specimens and fit for immediate exhibition, and should hold their own in good company, in fact, several of the above have won for me this season. Now, exhibitors, wake up if you require one of the best bargains you have ever had; all on 24 hours' approval; cash or deposit with Editor: W. Cottingham, 9, Peveril-st., Nottingham. Phone 5732. (1915)

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SELECTED cock Thrushes, 1/ each; William Wright, 54, Sheffield rd., Marshside, Southport. (1911)
 COCK Larks, 2/6 per doz.; clean, healthy birds; Wright, Bulliver, 70, Lytham-rd., Marshside, Southport. (1917)
 THOSE requiring a genuine singing cock Skylark on approval cheap send me your address: Mrs. Dutton, Dunstable. (1917)
 ALMOST given! Selected cock Skylark in cage and 1lb. special food, 2/-; two, 3/6; Bannister, 24, Hulme-st., Burnley. (1915)
 1912 COCK Thrush, splendid songster, for cock Canary, or good cock Goldfinch, steady: Lawri, Rising Sun-ter., Norwich. (1915)
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 LARKS, Larks; grand cock Larks, 2/6 dozen; Yellowhammers, 1/- pair; hen Linnets, 1/6 dozen; G. Lowe, West-st., Chatteris, Cambs. (1915)
 LARKS, Larks, large upstanding cock Larks, not to be beaten size, quality, 3/- dozen; dealers and fanciers: E. Rowe, West-st., Chatteris. (1917)
 SPLENDID finger-tame singing cock Lark, good attraction, 1/6; with bow front cage, 3/- lot; approval: Fred Allen, 156, Porter-st., Hull. (1915)
 WOODLARKS, cocks 2/6, hens 1/6; selected cocks, coming nicely on song, 4/6; specially made wood-lark cages, 5/-; Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1915)
 EXPECTING to be called must therefore dispose of cock Nightingale and hen Blackcap; both excellent condition; offers wanted immediately; also cock Bullfinch: Wilbee, Claveralls, Marshull, Dorset. (1917)
 SKYLARKS, Skylarks, healthy specimens, on song, for shows and contest singing. Learn how to obtain them and keep them "Nutshell No. 3" tells you. 2d. post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from agents (list frequently published). (1915)
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BRITISH birds, from clean aviaries, list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (1917)
 DEVONSHIRE Woodlarks, warranted cocks, in song, 3/6 each, hens 8/- doz.; 7 hen Mules, 7/-; Rowley Blston, Crediton. (1916)
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 LARKS, Goldfinches; Perkins, Aviary, Chatteris, has a few splendid cock Goldfinches, September-October caught, 3s. each; hen Goldfinches, 1s. each; cock Larks, 2s. 6d. per dozen; warranted. (1914)
 ALL seeds dealer except this freshly cleaned gathered mixed wild seed, 1 1/2 lb., 5/- 3-cwt.; winners J.C.B.A. Oxford, Birmingham, Northampton, for sale: Hepwood, Albrighton, Wolverhampton. (1915)
 LINNETS, Linnets, Linnets; Larks, Larks; warranted cock Linnets, 4/- dozen; hen Linnets, 1/6 dozen; warranted cock Larks, 3/6 dozen; cock Greenfinches, 1/6 dozen; hen Canaries, 30/- dozen; good birds: John Boxall, 5, Lavender-st., Brighton. (1917)
 RED-BREASTED cock Linnets, three for 1/3, 4/- doz.; warranted cock Larks, 3 for 1/3, 3/- dozen, 3 dozen 5/6; Blackies, Thrushes, cocks, 3 for 2/-; no hens sent for cocks; birds warranted clean, healthy, and on food; J. Whitey, Boston-rd., Holbeach, Lincs. (1915)
 LARKS, Larks, Linnets, Linnets: Another great victory, three prize winners supplied by the old firm and yet there is more to follow; cock Larks, 2/6 dozen; cock Linnets, 5/6; cock Greenfinches and hen Linnets, 1/- three, dozen 2/6; H. Dawson, West-st., Chatteris. (1916)
 TO exhibitors.—Two grand Corn Buntings, good colour, well marked, fit for keenest competition, 15/- each; exhibition Blackcap, 15/-; large selected Bullfinches, Greenfinches, Chaffinches, Yellow Buntings; stamp particulars: Herbert J. Chick, British Bird Specialist, 39a, Radford-rd., Nottingham. (1915)
 GRAND stock red-breasted cock Linnets, singing full, 1/- each, or three for 2/6; thirty Brambles, picked for show, cocks 1/- each, or 3 for 2/6; Larks, singing well, 1/- each, with cage 1/6; tumblers or houblers, 2/- pair, any colour; 1/6; cock Linnets, 4/- per doz.; W. Darby, 41a, Spoon-lane, West Bromwich. (1916)
 WARRANTED cock Brambling, 2/- dozen; Greenfinches, 1/- dozen; Linnets, 4/6 dozen; 26 mixed seed-eaters, 2/-; 12 brighter mixed, 1/-; selected for show, cocks, Brambling, Greenfinch, Chaffinch, Linnets, Redpoll, Lark, Yellow Bunting, Reed Bunting, 1/- each; well on food: J. Fenn, Bird Specialist and Judge, Westcliff Villas, Isleham, Cambs. (1915)
 EXHIBITION, house-moulted, British cock Hawfinch, good size, colour, and markings, 12/6; cock Chaffinch, a sterner for size and colour, 10/-; Lesser Redpoll, a gem, 4/-; cock Bearded Tit, perfect feather and condition, 12/6; hen Bullies, several reared last season, 3/- each; also 2 ranges of hybrid aviaries and breeding cages for disposal: Morris, Bird Judge, 56, Park-rd., Ilford. (1914)
 EXHIBITORS, the following are all good specimens and can win:—Giant cock Linnets, perfect, 2/6; Lesser Redpoll, gem, 2/6; monster cock Greenfinch, 2/6; giant cock Brambling, 1/6; cock Bullfinch, gem, 3/6; Corn Bunting, 3/6; giant hen Bullfinch, 2/-; h.m. cock Greenfinch and h.m. hen Chaffinch, paired, 5/6 pair; also h.m. Brambling, 1st Hull, 1st Grimby, etc., 15/6; Hawfinch, 1st Hull, a good one, but not yet in condition, 15/6; Waxwing, never been beaten, a gem, won about 17 1st prizes, 45/-; h.m. Redpoll, 21 1sts, 16/6; h.m. Corn Bunting, 1st Hull, etc., gem, 12/6; approval: willingly: Fred Allen, British Bird Champion, Porter-st. Aviaries, Hull. (1915)

CLEARING OUTDOOR AVIARIES
 Several fine hen Bullies, 1/6, 2/- each, cock Bullfinches, 1/6, 2/-, grand cock Goldfinches, 2/6, 3/-, 5/6 each, hen Goldfinches, 1/- each, Linnets, Chaffinches, Greenfinches, Redpoll, cock, 1/-, 1/6 each; hens, 6d. each, cock Yellow Bunting, 1/-, 1/6 each; hens, 6d.; cock Reed Bunting, 1/-, 1/6; cock Robin, 2/6; pair Skylarks, 1/6; four hen Goldfinch Mules, 3/- lot; also grand cock Rollers, Crests, and Norwich Canaries for sale; pair Ribbon Finches, 3/-; cock Cockatiel, 5/6 each, cock Green Redpolls, 2/6 each; approval, deposit, pedigree Fox Terrier bitch, six months, 25/-; A. J. Underwood, Bird Specialist, 21, Wellington-st., Kettering. (1911)

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to any judge or exhibitor, breeder, catcher, or dealer who can prove that we send out hens for cocks, or fresh-caught birds; notice, giant dark brown rose-breasted cock Linnets, every bird warranted, sure mulers and prize takers, and fit for singing contest, only 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each, 3 for 2/6, 12 for 7/6; hens, 1/- dozen; English cock Meadow Larks, sure contest singing, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each, or three for 2/6, dozen 7/6; hens, 1/- dozen; giant cock Brambling, fit to win in the keenest of competition, 1/-, 1/6, and 2/- each; monster cock Bullfinches, 2/6 and 3/6 each; muling hen Bullfinches, 2/-, 2/6 each; cock Chaffinches, in grand plumage, 1/-, 1/6 each; Yellow-hammers, fit to win, 1/-, 1/6 each; cock Twites, 1/-, 1/6 each; cock Cirl Bunting, very scarce, and sure prize-taker, 7/6; giant English cock Goldfinches, fit to win in the keenest of competition, 3/6, 4/6, 5/6 each; hens, 1/- each; cock Reed Buntings, 1/6, 2/- each; cock Hawfinches, 6/6, 7/6 each; giant cock Greenfinches, 6d., 1/-, 1/6 each; Tree Sparrow, sd., 10d., 1/- each; cock Siskins, 4/6, 5/6, 7/6 each; hens, 2/6, 3/6 each; established a century; cash or deposit at CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, 19, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London. (1915)

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We are patronised, and have been for forty years, by every leading Crystal Palace judge and exhibitor, so our reputation stands second to none. Editor of this journal has seen scores of original testimonials for birds we have supplied, which have bred hundreds of winning Mules and scores of winning British birds I have supplied. So if you intend buying British birds, buy from us, who have hundreds each week to pick from. Cock Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Linnets, Chaffinches, Larks, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, 6/- each; approval; show cages, 2/-, three 5/6; established 50 years: Sandford, Bird Specialist, Preston; also 89, Scater-st., Shoreditch, London. (1915)

CANARIES.

Border Fancy.

BREEDER'S CARD.
 BURTON BROS., 126, Lee-rd., Lee Green, S.E.
 Breeders of high-class Borders, all varieties. Prices moderate; state wants.

THREE pair of good Borders, yellow cocks, buff hens, 7/- pair, cheap, to clear: Ballantyne, Baker, Langholm. (1914)
 SMART buff Border cock, winner, 15/-; see Ormskirk show report: exchange yellow: J. W. Johnson, Wigan-rd., Ormskirk. (1917)
 CLEAR yellow pure Border, 1914 cock, in full song, show condition, 6/-; approval: Pernal, Totteridge, High Wycombe, Bucks. (1915)
 TYPICAL Borders, cold-room bred, clear and marks, cocks from 5/-; hens from 2/6; approval: Linton, Hillhead, Bigger. (1915)
 BORDERS, unique type and quality, winning strain, cheap; stamp reply; approval: Lee, Breeder, Exhibitor, 49, North-ter., Bellingham. (1915)
 SOME real quality Borders for sale, all related to my winners, prices moderate, to clear; approval: G. H. Pratt, Strand Dairy, Exmouth. (1912)
 FEW smart Border Fancies, good shape and quality, for sale, reasonable, on approval: Robson, 23, Camden Green, Peckham, London. (1915)
 NOTICE.—Grand lot Border Fancy for show or song, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1911)
 BORDERS, best and cheapest in Great Britain, show and stock birds, including Cinnamons and Greens; list free: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich. (1915)
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 TYPICAL Borders, cold room bred, cheap to clear; cocks 4/-, hens 2/-; don't miss this chance; write now; approval willingly: Irons, Park-place, Brechin. (1911)

EXCEPTIONAL value in Cinnamons, Greens, Clears, Marks, same as my Scottish National winners; show or stock; pairs or single: Dan Hamilton, 239, Lowwaters, Hamilton. (1915)
 HIGH-CLASS Borders for show or stock, related to my winners at the leading shows; cocks, from 6/-, hens from 3/-; also matched pairs; approval willingly: Weir, Hamilton Place, Penicik. (1914)
 BUFF green cock, yellow green cock, 1914 bred, 7/6 each; clear yellow, 1913, 8/6; these are worth double; or exchange double-sized gramophone records; approval: Sanders, Thursley Hall, Haslemere. (1915)
 FIVE pairs of good Borders for sale, 1 pair 1/6, 2 15/-, 2 12/6; same as my winners, picked from 80 birds; or would give good exchange for good gramophone: G. Martin, 1, Hatchlands-rd., Redhill, Surrey. (1915)
 HAVE for disposal several pairs high-class Cinnamons, yellows and buffs, cocks and hens, also greens, from 15/- pair; exchange for clear buff cock, exhibition standard; approval: Farrer, 222, Jefferson-st., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1913)

GREENS and Cinnamons for sale, reasonable; see reports Liverpool, Forfar, Manchester, Avonbridge, Glasgow, L.C.B.A., Sale, Warrington, Gateshead, National, and other leading shows; stamp: D. Whitlaw, 95, Elanpark-st., Govan. (1915)
 MY Borders have won at all the leading shows in England and Scotland this season, including champions Crystal Palace, medal Glasgow, Manchester, see report Edinburgh; can supply properly matched pairs from 10/- to 40/-; state wanted; approval; stamp: George Bennet, Bowmont Villa, Kelso. (1915)
 THE Border Fancy Canary" (Nutshell No. 23), explains fully how to manage these "wee gems" during the breeding season, how to keep them in health and song, how to select ideal pairs, and the general management of this popular variety; send at once for a copy, 2d. post free, from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C., or from any of our Nutshell agents. (Lists published frequently.) (1915)

F. HUTCHINSON has the following grand Borders for disposal, related to my winners Clapham, L.P.O.S., Lyton, L.C.B.A., Redhill, which have bred after four years' careful pairing (by lists, four specials, three birds, 3rd, 4th, 5th, commend 4); two pairs yellow cocks, buff hens, two pairs marked yell. cocks, buff hens, buff cock, yell. marked hen, 15 pair; two emmanon cocks, 10 6 each; two yellow hens, 5/- each; guaranteed unrelated pairs; clean, healthy; inspection invited; stamp: 5a, Bank Buildings, Christchurch, P. paper. (1976)

Cinnamons.

TWO Cinnamon hens from same nest as my winner, 7 6 each; see show report; 8th place, 15, Robin Hood-st., Castleford. (1982)
 NICE yellow self Cinnamon cock, Tate's strain, perfect health and song, price 10/-; Carrington, Bridge 1, Bakewell. (1980)
 WANTED, large, typical, clean, healthy Norwich Cinnamons for prompt cash; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1984)
 FOR sale, three pairs of 1914 Cinnamons, three huffs, three yellows, 24/- the lot; W. Rowley, 38 C, 25th-st., Spout 1, Coventry. (1980)
 BARGAINS in Cinnamons, a few winners for sale, bred from my champions; approval, stamp: Brown, 35, Martley Pda, Plymouth. (1966)
 LARGE 1913 yellow cock, Codley's direct, 10/-; large 1914 yellow cock, of above, 12 6; approval: Butler, Rhoyndre, Ruabon. (1983)
 CHAMPION Cinnamons, bred from my winners at Manchester, Liverpool, Bradford, Scottish National, etc., prices reasonable; approval: Rev. Nunn, Harrington Cumberland. (1974)
 J. E. HARTUP, Breeder and Exhibitor high class Cinnamons, some good birds for sale cheap; more winners bred from this strain than any strain living, also Norwich; approval: 131, Higher Antley-st., Acerrington. (1961)
 PROCTOR, 83, Oswald-st., Blackburn; Cinnamons and Norwich, winners at following shows: Crystal Palace, Liverpool, Manchester, Aberdeen, etc., will sell all my stock including above winners; giving up the fancy; stamp: approval. (1985)

Belgians.

BELGIAN and Yorkshire cross yellow cocks and hens, buff cocks and hens; Welch, 93, Fox-rd., Sheffield. (1968)
 GRAND Belgians for disposal, same strain as my championship winners last two Palace shows, cheap, approval: G. S. Baker, Georges-rd., Barnstaple. (1965)
 BELGIANS, buff cocks and hens, also yellow cocks, same strain as Scottish National winners, reasonable; approval: F. Butts, 12, Lower Maudlin-st., Barnstaple. (1976)

London Fancy.

WELL-BRED stock pairs and extra hens going very cheap; overstocked; Filby, Ealing Common.

Crests and Crestbreds.

ONE clear body grizzled Crested cock, two large variegated C.B. hens, 22/- lot; approval: Bond, 87, Unbridge-st., Burton. (1975)
 J. MEMMOTT offers a few good Crests and Crestbreds from 15/- each; approval: 55, Meersbrook-rd., Beccles, Suffolk. (1985)
 VARIATED 1914 Crest-bred cock, variegated 1914 Crest-bred hen, Joyce Barnett strain, 12/6 each; Rev. G. Mullens, Chedzoy, Bridgwater. (1981)
 FOUR Crests, two Crest-bred hens, 6/- to 10/- each; 3 Crests, 3 Crest-bred cocks, 10/- to 30/- each; Gille pie, 19, Allergate, Dutham. (1974)
 CRESTED cocks and hens, also Crest-bred hens, grand show and stock birds; stamp; approval: Angus McDougall, Carronvale-rd., Larbert. (1976)
 CREST and Crest-breds, pairs from 12/- to 30/-; several green hens from 6/-; approval; stamp: Mais, 63, Northumberland-st., Nottingham. (1976)
 MRS. THOS. TAYLOR'S champion strain; a few good stock birds for sale; reasonable; approval; stamp reply: 68, Edward-st., Gate-head. (1985)
 GRAND pair of Crests, winners, 45/-; another good pair, 43/-; Crested cock and Crest-bred hen, 1914 bred, 30/-; Joseph Guy, Crossland-terrace, Holsby. (1987)
 NOTICE: Grand lot Crests and Crest-breds for show or breeding, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas.
 CLEAR buff Crest-bred cock, 15/-, 1913 fifth L.C.B.A. Show, 26 in class; var. buff cock, dark crest and wings, 19/6 1914; approval: W. Stevens, 9, Colville-st., Derby. (1970)
 CRESTS and Crestbreds for sale; I have the cream of the fancy, all first-class birds; price from 15/-; stamp reply: J. Bodock, 136, St. Ann's Well-rd., Nottingham. (1984)
 CRESTS and Crestbreds, several good pairs at reasonable prices; few single birds cheap; unflighted dark crest cock, 10/-; William Tatman, Midland-rd., Wellington. (1980)
 BREIDEN has some Crests and Crest-breds to sell from 15/- pair; also a few Yorkshire clear and Cinnamon marked; approval: Tetin, 124, Chestnut-av., Forest Gate, Essex. (1980)
 BARGAINS, 12 good pair winning stock Crest and Crest-breds, related to best strains in the west, cold-room bred, 15/- to 30/- pair; approval: Parsons, 17, Toth-rd., Plymouth. (1982)
 HIGH-CLASS Crests, few good birds for sale, best blood in England, 35 years breeder of the best, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 5, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1976)
 T. J. King, Ingogo, Cheltenham, offers most of his show Crests, Crestbreds, including yellows, buff; he has won 8 firsts at three shows this season, grand stock birds from 20/- each; approval. (1961)
 MY father having retired from the fancy through ill health, I have taken all his stock of Crests and Crestbreds; have some for sale; approval: Geo. Dobson, 103, James-st., Blyndon-on-Tyne. (1976)
 BRED from my prize strain, cold-room, young Crested and Crest-bred cocks and hens, 10/-, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-, 30/-; splendid stock birds; approval willingly: Cubitt, 184, Thorne-rd., Norwich. (1975)
 CRESTS and Crest-breds, best blood in the world. Have selected my breeders, a few of this splendid strain to spare at 30/- upwards the pair; also singles; stamp: Rev. G. W. Joyce, Wellington, Somerset. (1979)
 W. LIDGETT, breeder and exhibitor, winner two silver challenge cups, massive variegated Crest-bred cock, 2 years, cost 30s.; accept 12s. 6d.; bargain; approval, cash: Lidgett, Grocer, Newark. (1973)
 CATS.

AT stud, Otto IV., silver tabby Persian, lovely coat, green eyes; Miss Phayre, 5, Chelsea-rd., Bath. (1973)

ALFRED J. SMITH

"St. Yves," Chester-rd., Erdington, near Birmingham, offers the following from his celebrated yellow strain: (1) Crested cock, 1912, good all-round bird, size of winners, 84/-; (2) C.B. hen, 1913, best sister to my L.C.B.A. hen winner, 84/-; (3) C.B. hen, 1914, 25/-; (4) green Crested cock, 1914, will make a good one, 103/-; (5) C.B. cock, 1913, same nest as my Gal-shead winner, 63/-; (6) var. dark Crest cock, 1914, wonderful colour, 63/-; (7) green C.B. hen, 1914, large bird, good turnover, 30/-; also the under-mentioned birds: (8) C.B. cock, 2nd Cheltenham, 1st Birmingham, 100/-; (9) var. C.B. cock, 1st Coventry, 2nd Birmingham, 50/-; (10) large clear buff C.B. cock, 1913, 50/-; (11) var. C.B. cock, 1914, 65/-; (12) var. C.B. cock, 1914, 50/-; (13) var. C.B. hen, 1914, 30/-; (14) var. C.B. hen, 1913, bred from double Crests, 63/-; (15) var. C.B. cock, 1914, 2nd Coventry most feather show, 63/-; (16) two large, rough Crested cocks, 1914, from my best blood, 42/- each. All these birds are in good condition, and only offered at low prices to make room. (1982)

CREST and Crest-bred; Geo. Williams, 50a, Lower Union-st., Torquay, one of the oldest breeders in the fancy; have bred and shown some of the best ever seen on the show bench; price from 5/- to 40/- on approval. (1974)
 J. A. GRANT can spare a few Crest-bred cocks and hens, all 1914 and B.L. rung, with long head feather, right to end of beak; will sell very reasonable and send on approval anywhere: Thistle House, Lossiemouth, N.B. (1968)
 GREEN Crest-bred cock, 1st Wycombe, rare quality, splendid feather, 41 1/-; green Crested hen, 2nd Wycombe, good bird, 12 6, 30/- pair; Buff Norwich cock, winner, 15 6; Cinnamon hen, 4/-; var. buff hen, 5/-; Barrett, Sedrup, Hartwell, Aylesbury. (1983)
 EVINS BROS., offers the following at bargain prices: Variegated Crest-bred cock, 40/-; green ditto, 30/-; var. ditto, 25/-; var. Crested cock, 20/-; grey ditto, 20/-; wing marked ditto, 40/-; another 15/-; yellow Crested cock, 20/-; clear Crest-bred hen, 12 6; another, 7 6; 259, High-st., Exeter. (1981)
 CHAMPION Crests: Several real good massive feather Crested and Crest-bred cocks and hens for stock or exhibition, 10 6, 12 6, 15/-, 21/-, 30/- to 45 each; all strong, healthy and vigorous; Barnett's Palace winning strain; all cold-room bred; give me a trial and I will guarantee full satisfaction; state wants fully; approval: Warminger, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (1969)

CHALLENGE BOWL WINNER

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Lizards.

FRED BAKER, 78, Ronald-st., Oldham champion strain of Lizards, pairs for sale, spare hens, also prize cocks. (1973)

Greens.

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshire Greens, pairs 12 6 upwards, hens 4s.; G. Rawsthorne, 20, Bush-grov., Seaforth.
 YELLOW green Yorkshire cock, buff hen, 20/-; yellow hens, 10/- each; Rowland's strain; exchange pair for good buff cock; Teare, Drury-terrace, Douglas, Man. (1981)

Norwich.

BREEDERS' CARDS.

J. C. BARNES, Norwich and Yorkshire specialist. Winner of numerous silver cups, medals, etc.; well-known strains. Better blood unobtainable. Grand specimens to spare; both varieties; reasonable; approval; inspection cordially invited; inquiries solicited; stamp: 113, Northfield-rd., Walkley, Sheffield.
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 FRANK F. LAWSON, 14, Pugin-st., Carlisle. Winner leading shows. Champion Norwich, fit to win local shows, from 20/-; unflighted birds from 7 6; matched pairs from 20/- pair; approval; stamp.
 JUDGE SILK, Whitstable, breeder and exhibitor of champion Norwich, winner at all leading shows; inspection invited; show and stock birds at reasonable prices; approval.
 1914 NORWICH cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-; Lloyd, Avariars, Gorseinon, Glam. (1961)
 WANTED, Norwich Canaries: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Fekater-st., Shoreditch.
 NORWICH cocks from 5 6, hens from 3/-; Mr. Vores, 6, Doria-rd., Parsca's Green. (1973)
 TWO pairs Norwich, 10 6 pair; two buff cocks, 7 6 each; buff hen, 4 6; Clayton, Percy-st., Rochdale. (1976)
 NORWICH hen for sale; five clear yellows, 3/- each; four buff, 4/- each; Butler, 269, Foleshill rd., Coventry. (1979)
 FOR sale, 2 pairs prize-bred Norwich, 15/- pair to clear; bargain; approval: Webb, 22, Frederic-st., Luton. (1976)
 TWO buff hens, 3/- each; or exchange both for Roller cock; approval: S. Large, 59, Sprules-rd., Brookley. (1980)

FOUR matched pairs, 15/- pair; four cocks, 10/- each, colour-fed: Halford, 10, Lismore-Circus, Gospel Jak, N.W. (1963)
 FEW good cocks and hens cheap; pairs from 10 6; also Yorksires, ditto: Knight, 46, Spencer-rd., Kentish Town. (1966)
 ONE cock Norwich and four hens, all healthy birds, great bargain, 14/-; Teggin, Windsor House, Newbridge-on-Wye. (1980)
 A FEW good Norwich, cheap for cash; good strain; also stock birds: 22, Heath-st., Chetham Hill, Manchester. (1985)
 FOR sale, six Norwich Canaries, two cocks four hens, 41 the lot; Miss E. Neville, Christchurch, Wisbech, Cambs.
 TWO cocks and five hens, all good, large birds, mostly yellows, 18/- lot, must clear: Ernest Barker, Bondgate, Helmsley. (1983)
 BIG green Norwich hen, 1913, broad skull, 6 6; also 3 large double breeders, good condition, 10 6; G. Harris, Binstead Ryde. (1984)
 VARDY'S strain; two unflighted buff cocks, 7 6, 8 6; few 1914 hens, accept 2/- each: Buxton, Lime Grove-avenue, Matlock. (1982)
 PRIZE bred Norwich cocks, colour fed, unflighted, all colours, 10 6 each; approval willingly: Burton, Ealing House, Walsall. (1974)
 NORWICH for sale, overstocked, prize and prize-bred cocks and hens, prices reasonable: Yeats, jun., Linthorpe, Fraserburgh. (1984)
 LARGE typical Norwich, six yellows and buffs, cocks, C.F., from winners; approval: Sleep, 10, Oakfield-terrace, Plymouth. (1977)
 GRAND young rich yellow and variegated 1914 Norwich cocks, finest health and song, 3/- each, 2 5 6; Stephens, West Drayton. (1980)
 WANTED, unflighted yellow Norwich cock, exchange 1913 Crest-bred cock, or sell 41; approval: Fox, Bolehill, Wirksworth. (1977)
 NORWICH cocks from 6 6 to 10/- each; hens, 3/- to 6/- each; cold-room bred: W. Gilbert, 2, Cromwell-st., Red Lane, Coventry. (1980)
 CLEARANCE sale—Six pair Norwich, 20 breeding cages, and all utensils; part exchange poultry: Crown Inn, Asworth, Notts. (1981)
 FEW colour-fed Norwich for sale, cocks from 4/-, hens 2/-; approval; deposit; genuine: R. Mannion 5, Wheat-st., Padiham, Lancs. (1974)
 A. TREVALLIAN, 16, Higham-rd., Mount Pleasant-rd., Tottenham, has few good Norwich for disposal at reasonable prices; approval. (1979)
 BRED from my winners, clear yellow and clear buff, 1914 bred, 15/- each; approval: G. W. Saunders, Thurley Hall, Haslemere. (1980)
 NORWICH hens, large buff cinnamon, 5/-; cobby yellow, 7 6; Crest-bred even-marked, 4 6; Pearce, 64, Coloman-rd., Camberwell, London. (1975)
 NOTICE—Grand lot Norwich, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1979)
 LARGE 1913 yellow Norwich cock, Bowyer direct; exchange large, cobby buff cock; approval; yours first: Eccles, Rhosyndre, Ruabon. (1983)
 CHAMPION large Norwich, winners, and bred from winners, from 10 6 each; approval: C. Roberts, Stannage, Newton Drive, Blackpool. (1985)
 NORWICH (cocks unflighted), yellow marked, 12 6; two clear buffs, 10 6 each, winners; exchange: Bindall, 62, Bruford-rd., Wolverhampton. (1978)
 FEW good stock birds for disposal, pairs from 12/-, hens 4 6 upwards; satisfaction guaranteed: Parkinson, 85, Hodder-st., Acerrington. (1974)
 LARGE buff Norwich Canaries, Roberts' strain, cocks, 7/-; pairs, 10/-; worth much more; approval, deposit: Wheeler, Griffin Wood, Epping.
 NORWICH cocks, 6 6; hens, 2 6; Crystal Palace aviary, 6 6; exchange Yellow Bunderigars, aquarium: King, 12, Carlisle-rd., Walthamstow. (1972)
 GRAND Norwich, var., clear, cocks and hens, some winners; bargain; approval: J. S. Keddie, Beattie's-buildings, Walkieburn, Scotland. (1985)
 A FEW high-class Norwich buff cocks, unflighted, genuine stock birds, 12 6 each; approval: Roberts, 41, Haywood-st., Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent. (1982)
 BARGAIN: winning strain Norwich; 1913 yellow cock, 8 6; buff cock, 6 6; three buff hens, 3/- each: Dimmock, Market-6, Leighton Buzzard. (1985)
 LAST 2 pair, buff cock, yellow hen, 30/-; yellow cock, 2 buff hens, 30/-; Vardy's type and quality: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire. (1978)
 WELL-BRED Norwich pairs, rare shape and quality, also single birds, reasonable, on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)
 GOOD stock birds, from winners, pure type and quality, especially cocks, price moderate; small hens, 7/-; Barrows, Warrington, Banbury. (1970)
 WILL exchange large cage, with division, for cock Canary, or two yellow hens; particulars on application: Evans, 8, Charlwood-st., Pimlico, London. (1981)
 NORWICH cocks 5/-, hens 2 6; large cocks 6/- each; full song; approval, deposit; particulars: Royston, Trentlocks, Westbridgford, Nottingham. (1973)
 TYPICAL clear and marked Norwich hens, yellows and buffs; 5/-, 7 6, 10/- each, seven days' approval; cash or deposit: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)
 WINNING Norwich, five yellow, seven buff hens, 4/- to 10/-; six buff and four yellow cocks, 6 6 to 15/-; approval: Bond, 87, Unbridge-st., Burton. (1975)
 WELL-BRED Norwich for disposal, closely related to my winners, good type and size, very reasonable: Harris, 12, Hazlewood-lane, Palmers Green, London, N. (1968)
 UNFLIGHTED buff Norwich cock, very smart, 12/-; tick buff hen, 1913 model, 15/-; related to my Scottish National winners: Leach, Percy-st., Rochdale. (1977)
 EXHIBITION Norwich, several good birds for sale, from 7 6 to 20/- each; genuine bargain; approval, deposit: Apply, W. J. Baker, 44, Bowthorpe-rd., Norwich. (1982)
 PAIR Canaries, hen pure Norwich, Thomas's direct Bulldog strain, 14/-; exchange lady's long coat or children's clothing; others: Bradford, Hamp-st., Bridgwater. (1980)
 FEW good Norwich, Bullfinch type, good heads, best blood, 35 years breeder, judge of many shows, reasonable; approval: T. Billington, 55, Colwick-rd., Nottingham. (1976)
 SURPLUS stock, yellow hen, 41; clear buff hen, the Wilshaw last week, 15/-; 1 do., 10/-; large green buff hen, 5/-; Strachan, 207, St. Andrews-rd., Pollok-shills, Glasgow. (1977)
 TWO well-bred Norwich cocks for sale, clear yellow and marked yellow, colour-fed, 1914 bred, good type and size, 8/- each; approval: Bolton, 4, North-st., Carshalton, Surrey. (1976)
 MR. ECKERSLEY offers large, ticked yellow cock, 20/- only; clear buff, A1 type and quality, 25/-; bargain; few others, very cheap: 51, Francis-rd., Edgbaston, Birmingham. (1979)
 T. IRONS has some good Norwich for sale, state wants and prices; on approval, with pleasure; see recent L.C.B.A. and our Hand-in-Hand Xmas shows: Ivy-rd., Northampton. (1980)
 CLEAN buff Plainhead cock, 1st Littleborough, 2nd Gateshead, 4th Scottish National, 17 6; buff copy cock, 12 6; Adams, Bedford-st., Rochdale, Stamp reply; deposit; approval. (1975)



NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

Invitation to all Fanciers.

I beg to offer an invitation to all fanciers to pay me a visit during the Christmas or New Year holidays. I shall be at home all the time, and it will be a pleasure to show anyone round my rooms, whether desiring to purchase or not.
 I have a magnificent collection of Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Crests and Crestbreds, Scotch Fancies, British-bred Rollers, Mules, etc., all for sale at reasonable prices, and I defy anyone to give better value. If you cannot pay me a visit, send a P.C. for my Free Illustrated Catalogue, and remember I am prepared to send birds to any address in the Kingdom on 10 days' approval at my sole risk. Easy payments arranged with genuine fanciers.

JOE THOMAS Breeder, Exhibitor and Exporter, Ambler Thorn, Halifax, Yorks. OVER 35 YEARS AT SAME ADDRESS.

NORWICH, large birds; cocks, 19/-; hens, 3/-; Crested hen, 6/-; Crest-bred hen, 5/-; Border cock, 6 6; hen, 2 6; S. Ham, Treviscoe, St. Stephens, Grammond Road, Cornwall. (1972)
 COMPULSORY sale; massive framed marked yellow unflighted Norwich cock, large round head, deep chest, short thick-set specimen; 10 6; Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1986)
 EXCEPTIONAL offer, unflighted buff Norwich hen, real model, with size, good head and chest, winner three honours, 2nd last week, accept 10 6; Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-rd., Leytonstone. (1986)
 THOMAS HERBERT, 25, South-st., Radditch, can spare large buff cock, 20/-; yellow cock, 17/-; winners; ticked yellow cock, 8 6; buff hen, 6 6; yellow hen, 7 6; yellow hen, 5 6; approval. (1982)
 SPLENDID Norwich cocks, 6/-, 7 6, 10/-; hens, 2 6, 3 6, 5/- each; 1914 cold-room, clean and healthy; cash, approval: T. Sanders, 131, Upper Conduit-st., Leicester (close to Midland Station). (1982)
 GIVING up; wonderful bargains; splendid yellow cock, extra good head, 15/-; another, 10 6; extra big buff, 15/-; grand hens, 5/-; approval anywhere: Salter, 32, Grosvenor-rd., Rugby. (1974)
 SALE, 10 Norwich and Norwich Roller cocks, 5/- each; 45/- lot; eight hens, 3/-, 20/- lot; three Linnets Mules, 2 6 lot; cock Linnets Mule, 7 6; useful exchange: Woodhouse, 21, Milgate, Newark. (1978)
 HURLAND'S champion Norwich: Owing to the war am not exhibiting this season; can spare yellow and buff cocks, 10/-, 15/-, 20/- each, worth double; approval: Geo. Harland, 63, Welbeck-st., Hull. (1983)
 BRAYBROOK'S winning strain, two grand unflighted buffs, one unflighted yellow one, year old yellow cocks, 12 6; also two massive buff hens, 8/- each; approval: 9, Stanley-st., Brierfield, nr. Burnley. (1980)
 CHOICE Norwich, bred from winners, from 10 6 pair; also buff cocks, clear and variegated, 8 6 to 21/-; nice hens, good heads, short wings, 6/- to 15/-; Messrs. Butler and Barlow, Newton, near Alfreton. (1985)
 F. J. LACOBEE'S special offer this week: Four pairs young unrelated Norwich, 15 6 pair; not rubbish, but of nice size, type and quality, bred from good prize-winning stock; approval: 92, St. George-st., Norwich. (1979)
 LARGE buff cock, brother to 1st prize winner Ipswich, 15/-; bargain; also large, stout, deep yellow cock, rare stock bird, related to my rose-tail winner, 15/-; best blood in fancy: E. Baker, Waterloo-rd., Ipswich. (1982)
 CHAMPION Norwich, have 32 grand Norwich, mostly 1914 rung, marked, and clear, cheap for quick sale, 12ft. long flight, in 4 sections, also 6 Border show cages, in 2 cases; stamp, reply: Pepper, 5, Green-st., Hull. (1977)
 BARGAINS; grand buff hen, 1st and 4th only times shown, 15/-; var. ditto, lovely quality, 12 6; few nice cocks, 10/- to 30/- each; approval with pleasure: Garner, Breeder and Exhibitor, 32, Northumberland-st., Norwich. (1978)
 SEVERAL unflighted Norwich for sale, prices moderate; yellow cocks, yellow variegated cocks, buff cocks and hens, winners, bred from winners; no yellow hens; approval: Andrew Crawford, 14, Wilton Drive, Glasgow. (1984)
 G. DOWELL, breeder of high-class Norwich, has few for sale, 1913 fed, and 1914 non-fed, cold-room yellows, cocks, 8 6, 10 6, 12 6, hens, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; buffs, cocks, 7 6, 9 6, hens, 3 6, 4 6; approval, deposit: 4, Beer-st., Yeal. (1980)
 GIVING UP: Offers wanted for whole stock, particulars stamp, or sell separately: large buff hen, winner, 35/-; also yellow cock winner, 42/-; others equally cheap; approval: Collier, The Cedars, Highfield-rd., Hall-green, Birmingham. (1981)
 A. SCOTT, Scott's Hotel, Lancaster. Large clear buff cock, splendid head and substance, 15/-; unflighted yellow cock, typical, good head, 25/-; clear yellow hen, beautiful quality, 20/-; two unflighted buff hens, 7 6, 10 6 each. (1983)
 THIRTY high-class Norwich, Bulldog strain direct; cocks, 7 6 upwards; hens, 4/- to 10/-; matched breeding pairs, 8 6, 10 6, 15/-, 20/-; several pairs from 7 6; splendid feeders; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Groat, 64, Hughtenden-rd., Norwich. (1979)
 PRIZE-BRED Norwich, buff cocks, 7 6 each; clear buff and variegated hens, 5/- each, cold-room bred; also several good pairs, yellow cock and buff hen, 20/- pair, all coloured; approval, cash or deposit: Sergt. Sharp, Police Station, Brinklow, Rugby. (1977)
 LARGE unflighted variegated buff cock, good head and neck, lovely colour, 17 6; nice unflighted clear buff cock, good head and colour, with nice type unflighted yellow hen, 15 6 pair; approval: same strain winners: Westminster, 22, Teigns-on-rd., Luton. (1980)
 A. MOORMAN offers some good birds, bred 75 on winners of numerous prizes, large mkd. yell. (1979) 2nd Newport, 35/-; var. buff, 20/-; 2 yellow milled hens, 10/- each; 2 unfl. buff cocks, 15/- each; approval, deposit: Moorman, Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight. (1977)
 T. JUDD can spare the following from his well-known strain: one clear, eight ticked or lightly variegated buff, one ticked yellow stock cocks, from 15/-, 20/-, 30/- each; all unflighted and guaranteed my own breeding; approval, stamp: 135, Lockhurst-lane, Coventry. (1982)
 HIGH-CLASS Norwich, of good size, type, colour, and quality, this stock has been carefully bred by me for years, pairs or single birds from 15/- to 45/-; all healthy and on approval with pleasure; breeder and exhibitor 40 years: F. Lacoclee, 18, Earl-st., Westminster, S.W. (1964)

GRAND variegated unflighted yellow Norwich cock, grand head and neck, deep chest, good wings and tail, champion stock birds, 80/-; also nullighted variegated buff cock, good all round one, grand stock bird, 40/-; another good buff cock, 15/-; cash, or deposit editor: Wren, 57, Norrey's-aven., Oxford. (1974)

NORWICH, Bullfinch type, 30 large yellow and buff cocks, 1s, special, 2s, 4s at Birmingham, commended Coventry, all nullighted, grand chance, seldom met with, for beginners, requiring prize strain at a reasonable price; cocks from 7/6, hens 5/-, state requirements; satisfaction guaranteed; J. Westwood, Hairdresser, Witton-rd., Aston, Birmingham. (1959)

GIVING up Fancy, having 40 for sale, including var. yellow cock, one of the largest headed Norwich living, winner of several firsts, price 50/-; tick buff cock, good type and substance, cheap, 30/-; var. yellow hen, good head, nice type and quality, useful stock hen, 30/-; tick yell. hen, one of the best, 50/-; approval: G. B. North, North-st., Linn. (1981)

JAMES M. THOMAS can spare following 1913 bred Norwich, closely related to his winners; all large typical birds and dirt cheap. Lightly marked buff cock, monster, 15/-; clear yellow hen, 15/-; two marked yellow hens, 12/6 each; two clear buff hens, 15/- each; variegated buff hen, 10/-; some of these can win at small shows. Have them on approval, or better still, come and see them any time. Latest wins: two 1sts, 3rd, and two 4ths Huddersfield, 1st and two 3rds Windhill. See reports in "Cage Birds"; Birchfield Villas, Hobden Bridge, Yorkshire. (1987)

NOTICE: Special offer monster exhibition buff cock, rare type and quality, sure winner, only 21/-, honestly worth 42/-; also choice exhibition yellow cock, grand shape, feathers like silk, winner, only 25/-, cheap at 50/-; also grand yellow hen, full of quality, certain winner, only 17/6, bargain at 42/-; also very choice buff hen, real model for type and quality, win anywhere, only 15/-, worth double; also few real good large stock and exhibition yellow and buff cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- to 50/- each; yellow and buff hens, 4/-, 5/-, 7/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- to 30/- each, rare size, type, colour, and quality, including many future winners; Palace winning strain, all strong and healthy, cold-room bred; satisfaction guaranteed; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

NO BETTER BLOOD

at singing prices, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; big line yellows or buffs; approval: Colledge, Kilburn, Derby. (1978)

WINNING NORWICH

One of the finest studs of Norwich in South of England for sale: Ellis, 34, Wickham-avenue, Bexhill. (1976)

WICKS BROS., NORWICH

are supplying tip-top Norwich Plainheads; cocks, 5/6, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 4/6; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, up to 45/-; state wants to us; catalogue free; travelling cages, 3d. each extra. (1972)

SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY

Being considerably overstocked I am compelled to dispose of the following Norwich: Beautiful yellow ticked cock, 1st and special (best in show) Cleator Moor, 1st Doncaster, etc., price 45/-; fine buff cock, winner of three 1sts, also 2nd at late Doncaster Show, 43 10/-; grand buff cock, winner of three 1sts last season, as unflighted, not shown this season, a grand exhibition and stock bird, 44 4/-; yellow cock, 4th Selby, only time shown, great bargain at 30/-; massive yellow cock, 1st winner, including 3rd at late London show, grand type, cheap at 44 10/-; smart buff cock, good feather and shape, given away at 17 6/-; buff hen, one of the largest in the Fancy, a big winner, an acquisition to any bird-room, the sort it is almost impossible to secure, 45/-; three buff cocks, splendid stock birds, real bargains at 10/- each; two buff hens, grand type, just the sort for stock, 7 6/- each; two yellow hens, good useful stock birds, 7 6/- each; two youngsters, 4/- each. I will be delighted to send any bird on approval, and guarantee satisfaction; write me stating requirements: F. E. Brown, 68, Wellington-rd., Bridlington. (1972)

HANFORD'S NOTED CANARIES

Norwich or Yorkshires, cocks, hens, or correctly matched breeding pairs; state requirements; list and approval terms free; value and satisfaction guaranteed: R. Hanford, Derby. (1986)

MIDLAND CHAMPION STRAIN

See reports, Nottingham, Leicester, Coventry, Halifax, Birmingham, winner of young bird cup 5 years in succession, having more than 1 can accommodate for breeding purposes, can spare the following 3 unflighted yellow, one buff, cocks, 25/-; 3 do. hens, 20/-; 3 1913 buff hens, 15/- each: E. Hulise, 23, Hartington-rd., Leicester. (1977)

THE SORT YOU WANT

Bred from my winners at all leading shows; buff cocks, beauties, unflighted, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-, 25/-; size type quality worth double; few hens, buffs, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 20/- upwards; gems all over; approval: Rev. Nume, Harrington, Cumberland. (1977)

100 PURE-BRED NORWICH

Direct from last few years' Crystal Palace strains, have proofs; yellows or buff cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-, 12/-, to 20/-; hens, same, 4/-, 5/-, 6/6, 7/6, 8/-, 10/-; show cages, 2/-; breeder 30 years; Sandford, Canary Breeders, Preston, and 89, Selater-st., London. (1982)

CHAMPION NORWICH

Monster exhibition Yellow cock, large head and full neck, grand depth of chest, rare type and quality, sure winner in keenest competition, only 50/-; honestly worth 45 for stock alone; also massive exhibition Buff cock, grand type, colour, quality, Whitehead substance, rare head and neck, feathered like GRASS, only 35/-; cheap at 43/-; also grand exhibition Yellow hen, large head and neck, deep chest, lovely colour, type and quality, sure winner, only 35/-; honestly worth double; also extra choice exhibition Buff hen, real model for type and quality, feathered like silk, perfect gem, win anywhere, only 30/-, worth 43/-; also several other monster exhibition Yellow and Buff cocks, 10/6, 12/6, 15/-, 21/-, to 46 each; massive exhibition Yellow and Buff hens, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 21/- to 44 each, including many winners; many uncollected testimonials received from the leading breeders and exhibitors, and for size, type and quality I defy competition; state your requirements fully and I will guarantee to give you fullest satisfaction; all cold room bred; approval: Leonard Warringer, 28, Guernsey-rd., Norwich. (1969)

CHAMPION WINNING NORWICH

C. W. SIK, Glen Rosa, Emsworth. See wins at all the leading shows, including Crystal Palace, L.C.B.A., L. and P.O.S., Reading, Bournemouth, Woolston, etc. I have supplied birds which have won at most of the leading shows this season, principally in the North of England and Scotland, which I can show by testimonials. I have a fine lot for disposal in show or stock birds, also some good hens in yellows or buffs. Kindly state requirements and price you are prepared to pay; all birds on approval willingly. (1969)

CHAMPION NORWICH PLAINHEADS

I have just purchased the stock of Mr. W. Plowright, City of Bradford, cup winner this season, comprising about 20 cocks and 40 hens, some of these have won and are bred directly from his cup strain, and I offer some exceptional yellow and buff cocks at 15s., 20s., 25s., 30s. each, and a very choice lot of 1914 bred yellow and buff hens in clears, ticks, and green marks, at 6/-, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6 each; one clear buff cock, winner massive bird, good head and neck, 1913 bred, with grand yellow hen, unflighted, also winner, 40/- the pair; these are all genuine bargains; have them on approval and judge for yourself; cash or deposit: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1987)

Rollers & Singing Canaries

BREEDER'S CARD

ARTHUR CHILLCOTT, Breeder and Trainer, celebrated Water Glucke Rollers (pure Randall's), 151, South Avenue, Southend-on-Sea. Member B.R.C.C. Birds for sale, THE finest strain in England. Winner 1st and silver cup Inter. Show 1913. J. DIMMOCK, Glucke and Waterglucke Rollers, same strain as my cup winner, from 12/-, hens 5/-; B.R.C.C. rung: 49, Providence-st., Cradley Heath. MISS THOMAS, Breeder and Trainer Seifert Rollers; finest strain birds for sale, moderate prices: Fairlight, Richmond Park-rd., Bournemouth. (1983)

1914 ROLLER cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-: Lloyd, Avariies, Gorseinon, Glam. (1961) BRITISH Roller cocks, 7/6, warranted; hens, 2/-: J. Park, 69, Essex-st., Preston. (1964) SHEPHERD and Glucke Rollers, 12 - the pair, Club rung, 1914: R. Fletcher, 25, Cross-st., Prescot. (1981)

PURE Rollers, none better at 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, hens 2/-; stamp reply: J. Bennett, 25, Enville-st., Stourbridge. (1878) ONE Queek's training organ, 30/-, or exchange cheap roller cocks: K. Kremmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester. (1985)

SMART young Roller hens 1/6 each; genuine cocks, singing, 4/6 each; approval: W. Moses, Yearsley-bridge, York. (1980) PURE Rollers (Randall's) cold room bred, perfect health, full song; cocks 7/6; Close, 33, Chesterfield-rd., Blackpool. (1981)

THREE fine Seifert cocks, in full song, and 4 hens, 1914, 24 - lot, or nearest offer: Pearson, No. 3 West-st., Quarry Bank. (1977) GRAND lot Roller Norwich songsters, cocks 6/-, hens 3/-, 8/6 pair; approval: A. Holmes, Fletcher-st., Heanor, Derbyshire. (1975)

HIGH-CLASS Seifert and Glucke Rollers, sing anywhere, 6/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens 2/-, 2/6; approval: Hitch, Stafford-st., Walsall. (1945) BUTTERWORTH'S pure Seifert Rollers, cold-room bred; cocks, 8/6, hens 3/-; approval: 7, Highgate-rd., Farby, near Colne. (1983)

GRAND pair Rollers, cock "Chillcott," sell 20/-, or exchange anything useful; Cliphsham, Belgrave-terrace, Ruskington, Steaford. (1975) HIGH-CLASS Rollers, champion strain, full song, cold-room bred, cocks, 7/6, 8/6, and 10/6; hens, 3/-; Aston, Reinder, Worcester. (1984)

PURE Randall's hollow roll cocks, 7/6, 10/-, 12/6; hens, 4/-; B.R.C.C. 1914, cash or deposit system: Smith, 205, Boulevard, Hull. (1958) CASH offers invited for one 1911 Roller cock and five 1914 hens; English cold-room bred: J. Waight, 65, Dupont-rd., Raynes Park. (1973)

GRAND young cocks, "Seifert Rollers," in full song, from 7/6 and upwards; approval: Bennett, Snelston Hall, Ashbourne, Derby. (1980) GRAND Roller singing Canaries, cocks 6/6, hens 2/-; registered Fox Terrier dog cheap, or exchange: Davies, Pawnbroker, Great Bridge. (1974)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, cocks 10/6, 12/6; hens 3/6; bargains; approval: Parker, 16, Friston-st., Ladywood, Birmingham. (1981) NOTICE—Grand lot Rollers, for day and gas-light singing, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle Douglas. (1971)

HIGH-CLASS Roller cocks, cold-room bred, 7/6 each, to clear; satisfaction guaranteed: J. Bretton, 4, Wellington-st., Radcliffe, Manchester. (1942) SEIFERT Rollers, natural and fluent songsters, best British blood obtainable, 7/6 each; war prices; approval: Smith, Hairdresser, Bedlington. (1985)

TEN loud singing Roller cocks, 7/6 each; five Seifert hens, 2/- each; two B.R. rung; or will sacrifice lot for 72/6: Reynolds, Grocer, Walberswick. (1972) HARTZ Mountain Rollers; English bred cocks, in song, 7/6; hens 2/-; cold room bred, strong, healthy birds: John Thomas, 19, Albert-st., Canton, Cardiff. (1982)

HIGH class Seifert Roller cocks, full song, 8/6, 10/-; hens 3/-, 4/6; approval; cash or deposit: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, nr. Bradford. (1983) CHAMPION Rollers, pure Randall's, B.R.C.C. rung, thoroughly trained, cocks from 10/6; approval willingly: Davy, Snelston Gardens, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. (1977)

FOR sale, 2 Seifert Roller cocks, winners of contests, 12/6 each; 3 Linnets, 3-year-old birds, winner of contests, 10/- each, or nearest offer: 5, Wallace-st., Leeds. (1979) HIGH-CLASS Glucke and Seifert cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, Walton and Randall strain; hens, 2/6, 3/6; cold room; cash or approval: Lloyd, 140, Gresty-rd., Crewe. (1813)

GLUCKE and Water Glucke Rollers, cocks B4 rung, from 10/6; a few that has scored 22 and 23 points; £1 each; hens 4/-; approval: Mather, 7, Belt-lane, Kirt-green, Wigan. (1981) ROLLER: Schoolmaster and Son, Gore's strain, both full song, 18/-; or exchange pure-bred pullets, White Lghorns or Wyandottes: Markwick, 94, Lees-rd., Grotton, Oldham. (1982)

HIGH-CLASS dark British Roller cock, rung, grand songster, sing anywhere, bargain £1; approval willingly; see Exchange: Richardson, 218, Wid-dington-rd., Coventry. (1980) HIGH-CLASS 1914 Rollers from winners, pure Randall's B.R.C.C. rung cocks, from 10/6, hens 4/-; approval; cash or deposit: F. G. Martin, 43, Park-rd., Wellingborough. (1979)

Great Value for Small Money. Amongst the following are some very highly trained birds, and all on approval, which include water Glucke, pure Seifert, British-bred Rollers, Handalls, etc.; cocks (not so-called cocks), 6/6, 7/6, 10/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 1/9, 2/-, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs matched for breeding, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, to 25/-; cages 3d. Read this: Siddish, Cumberham, Jan. 4, 1915. Received Roller. It is singing splendidly. It is the best I ever had.—J. Short to W. RUDD, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

HIGH-CLASS Rollers, cold room bred cocks, in full song, from 10/6; pairs from 12/6; hens 3/6; inspection invited: Whitaker Crossley, Roller Breeder, 4, Wensleydale-ter., Batley, Yorkshire. (1978) RANPALL'S selected strain, T. Twigg, winner of 5 cups, numerous B.R.C.C. medals, champion diplomas, birds of the same strain 15/- upwards, hens 5/-; or exchange: 6, Stafford-st., Bilston. (1977)

FIRST and special Bolton, 2 deep Glucke and Water Glucke Roller cocks, same strains as above; scored 21 points each Bolton; no faults; £1 each; Jopson, 181, Bury-rd., Rawtenstall. (1979) ROLLER cocks, full song, Randall's Glucke strain, better blood impossible to get, 10/6, 12/6, and 20/- each; matched pairs for breeding from 12/6; Leigh, 57, Bold-st., Altrincham, Cheshire. (1977)

WANTED, on approval, a first-class fully trained Seifert or other Roller in full song, with box cage, bird not for exhibition; state price, description of bird offered: Collins, Hazelwood-rd., Neath. (1975) COMPULSORY sale British bred Rollers; few young trained cocks, singing, 4/- each, Glucke schoolmaster, winner; Randal and Willows strain; bargain, 12/6; Jackson, 37, Canal-st., Congleton. (1981)

TWO young cocks, both very highly commended Bacup, 22 points, 17/6 each; young healthy hens, bred from prize winners, 7/- each; three £1; all rung; approval: Sauter, 41, Rosemary-rd., Peckham, S.E. (1985) DEEP Glucke birds, second, fourth, and fourth, seventh, c. Midland show, third, vic. hc, Bacup; cocks, 20/-, 30/-, 40/- each; hens, 5/-, 7/- each; also pure Roller cocks for sale: A. W. Cadman, 17, Manlove-st., Wolverhampton. (1965)

PURE Seifert Glucke and Water-Glucke Rollers, cold room bred; cocks, 10/6, 12/6 and 15/- each; hens, 3/6, 4/6 each; same strain as my Crystal Palace winner; approval, deposit: N. Clouting, 27, Somers-rd., Brixton-hill, London, S.W. (1940) DEEP Glucke and Water-glucke Rollers (Mr. Neugebauer's strain), cocks from 15/- to 40/-; hens, same strain, 5/- and 7/6 each; also 1st prize winner 1913, amateur class, Wolverhampton, 30/-; M. Jacquemin, 453, Dudley-rd., Wolverhampton. (1965)

W. H. MORRIS, 36, Dale-st., Wrexham, winner at Leeds, Manchester, Wakefield, Wolverhampton, and Birmingham, 1913 and 1914 contests, has for sale cocks, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 5/- each; Glucke and Water-glucke strain; approval willingly. (1965) HIGH-CLASS Glucke Rollers, cold-room bred, 1914, B.R.C.C. rung, Cadman's and Willow's strain; cocks 10/6 and 12/6, hens, same strain, 3/6 and 5/-; approval; cash or deposit: R. Roberts, Poplar House, Madeira Hill, Wrexham. (1945)

HIGH-CLASS 1914 Glucke cocks, combining the best strains in the Fancy, carefully bred and trained, sound and healthy, in full song; prices 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 20s. each; hens, same strain, 4/- each; Carrington, Bridge-st., Bakewell. (1980) GLUCKE and water glucke Rollers, pure Randall's, bred from my winners of five medals; cocks, 12/6, 15/-, 20/-; hens, 7/6 each; five days' approval; deposit; satisfaction guaranteed or money returned: Harrison, Fruiterer, Bradmore, Wolverhampton. (1985)

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BRITISH-bred Rollers; pure Seiferts, Randall's glucke and water glucke strains, perfectly trained cocks, in full rolling song, 10/-, 12/6, 15/-, 21/- each; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/- each; metal Roller singing cages, 2/6; hardwood cabinets for same, 2/6; Roller box cages, with doors, 3/9 and 5/- each; special mixed Roller seed, 5d. lb. 7lbs. 2/6; illustrated catalogue free: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1985)

BIRMINGHAM Roller Contest; B3,896 secured 21 points, good Schoolmaster, 25/-, worth 30/-; B4,13 has grand Bass roll, scored five points for its last week, Birmingham, 22/6; B3,897, won commended, Rossendale, 22 points, London International 17 points, 25/-, worth 30/-; Water Glucke hens, can breed winners, 5/-; all wearing closed club ring; approval; deposit: Atherton, 36, Christian-rd., Preston. (1964)

CRYSTAL PALACE WINNERS

A few own youngsters, from first and third prize 1914 Palace winners for disposal, cocks and hens; also others of first-class strain; prices reasonable: Hy. Neve, Heathfield, Sussex. M.B.R.C.C. (1972)

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Yorkshires.

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E. E. PYMAN, Breeder and Exhibitor of high-class Yorkshires, prices to suit all; approval, deposit: West House, West Hartlepool. (1915)

YORKSHIRE hens, 1914, 2, 3 each: Dimmock, Market-sq., Leighton Buzzard. (1915)
1914 YORKSHIRE cocks, singing, 3/-, two 5/-; Lloyd, Avon, Gorsehill, Glam. (1911)

WANTED, Yorkshire Canaries: Chas. Palmer and sons, 66/68, Sclater-st., Shoreditch
TWO good Yorkshires, on full song, no rubbish, 6/6 each: Reeves, Lister-terr., Wellingboro'. (1915)

FEW good yellow Yorks, hens for sale cheap: Lane, 15, Aberdeen-terr., Lidget Green, Bradford. (1917)

GOOD bred Yorkshires, none colour-fed, cocks from 7/-, hens 3/- each: Dealer, 105, Landells-terr., East Dulwich. (1915)

YORKSHIRE and Belgian crossed 1914 hens, bargain, 5/- each; approval, deposit: Comben, Outwater, Pertwood. (1917)

YORKSHIRE Canaries for sale, variegated and clear, 5/6, 6/6; hens, 2/6: Renter, Hatfield, Doncaster. (1916)

FORTY pairs of good Yorkshire Canaries, 8/- a pair; come and look: Stake, 72, Briggate, Brigg, Yorks. (1916)

HIGH class Yorkshire cocks, cold room bred, from 12/6; seen any time: Shrimpton, 47, Links-terr., Tooting Junction. (1916)

GRAND Yorkshire hens 3/-, 4/-; cocks 6/-, 7/-, 10/-; see Yorkshire Union report: Crowther, Green-lane, Slough, Halifax. (1910)

GRAND buff Yorkshire cock 10/6, buff hens 3/6 to 5/-, yellow hen 3/6: J. Appleton, 27, Albion-terr., Hebdon Bridge. (1910)

FOR stock or exhibition, Yorkshire cocks, 5/6 to 30/-; hens 4/- to 19/-: R. Scaine, Chip Hill, Oakworth, Keighley. (1910)

PRIZE bred, cold room kept, long, stylish matched pairs from 10/-; must clear, room wanted: Hall, Bramsore-terr., Brixton. (1919)

CHAMPION cinnamon marked strain, two grand yellow necked hens 7/6 each, approval: Braybrook, R. Stanley-st., Eriehill. (1910)

YORKSHIRE cocks, seven inches long, on full song, bred from winners, 5/- each; approval: Dean, Highgate, Galsburn, Keighley. (1911)
LOOK! Yorkshire pairs (1914), yellow cock, buff hen, at 10/-; good value, stamped reply: P. Lane, 1, Arboretum-terr., Worcester. (1917)
A FEW high class Yorkshires to spare, same strain as Aberdeen winners; particulars: Hugh Clunds, Lethen-terr., Auldearn, N.B. (1913)
SPENCER'S Yorkshires, 2 pair from my winners, all unlighted birds, 10/- pair, cash or deposit: 17, Wood End, Hebdon Bridge. (1916)

YORKSHIRES, 1914, five young cocks, on song, and three hens, clears, 30/-, bargain: Kendrick, Coachman, Monument-hill, Weybridge. (1918)
WINNING strain, about 10 pairs, from 10/6 to 20/-; approval, satisfaction guaranteed: J. W. Fewster, Middlestown, Wakefield. (1915)
NOTICE: Grand lot Yorkshires, for show or breeding, prices low, easy payments taken; approval: McKean, Scahill, Castle Douglas. (1911)
SEVERAL smart pairs of slim, stylish Yorkshires, rare quality, reasonable; on approval: Robson, 28, Camden Grove, Peckham, London. (1918)

YORKSHIRES, yellows or buffs, cocks or hens, also high class British, state wants; approval: Fraser, Rose Cottage, Auldearn, Nairnshire. (1913)
GRAND slim racy Yorkshire cocks or hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; approval; bred from my champions: James Thomas, Bugle, Cornwall. (1918)
TWENTY unlighted and lighted cocks and hens cheap; pairs from 10/6; approval, deposit: Knight, 46, Spencer-terr., Kentish Town, London. (1917)

FANCIES: I have still a good stock of the best winning strain, pairs from 7/6: Write, stating wants, J. C. Beaumont, Hepworth, nr. Huddersfield. (1911)
T. C. CRAWBALL, breeder, exhibitor, high-class Yorkshires, some good birds for sale; approval, deposit: St. George's-terr., Newcastle-on-Tyne. (1918)
FEW first-class Yorkshires from 12/6 pair; several typical yellow hens, cheap; seen by appointment: W. D. Hall, 50, Ringmer-av., Munster-terr., Fulham. (1914)

GRAND unlighted yellow cock, first East Ham, also variegated first ditto, 12/6 each; others from 6/6, hens 3/-: Thomas, 29, Stevenage-terr., East Ham. (1912)

SIX Yorkshire hens, chiefly yellow, unlighted, for sale cheap, or exchange for a good buff Yorkshire cock: A. J. Clarke, 65, Copleston-terr., East Dulwich. (1910)

FOR disposal, all the stock of G. Mellows' Yorkshires: in pairs, or singly; cheap; stamp for particulars: G. Mellows, 2, Bedford-st., Ford, Devonport. (1917)

SMART lengthy yellow Yorkshire hen, claimed from L.C.B.A. for £2 10/- for cock; accept 12/6; faultless condition: Hawkes, 26, Pretoria-terr., Leytonstone. (1916)

YORKSHIRES, bred direct from my noted winners, good matched pairs 12/6, 15/-, £1; cocks 10/-, 15/-; hens 4/-, 5/-, 6/-; approval: Newell, 62, Princess-st., Abertillery. (1915)

HIGH-CLASS young colour-fed exhibition Yorkshires, cocks in full song, 7/6, 10/-; hens, 3/6; must sell, want room: The Breeder, 222, Ribblesdale-terr., Streatham. (1915)

MOST consistent strain of Yorkshires in the Fancy, to clear cheap, including winners, matched pairs, from 10/6 each; approval: 84, Chichester-terr., Crickelewood, N.W. (1916)

FOR sale, a few Yorkshires, best blood obtainable, cocks 5/-, hens 3/- upwards; a few pairs to clear at 6/-, each or deposit: A. Barnes, 14, Windsor-terr., Hebdon Bridge. (1917)

JOHN BRADBURY has 15 pairs of well bred Yorkshires, all unlighted, B.L. rung, 12/6 pair; or 10/- cocks, 4/- hens; approval, deposit: 64, Shaw-st., Runcorn, Cheshire. (1918)

PARKER'S champion Yorkshires; pairs from 7/6 to £5; 1st Bristol, 3rd Oxford, Reading, 4th Birmingham, etc.; approval; terms cash with order: 58, Gloucester-terr., Bristol. (1912)

FINE Yorkshire cocks, prize-winning strain, full song, guaranteed, 5/-; quality hens, 7 days' approval, cash or deposit; worth double: Taylor, Temperance House, Ossett. (1917)

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BEING under colours, compelled to part with 10 fine typical young Yorkshires, 8/6 pair, or £3 the lot; money with Editor: Chamberlain, Finkle-lane, Barton-on-Humber, Lincolnshire. (1912)

WANTED, good unlighted Yellow Norwich cock, good head and colour, for stock; will give two good unlighted buff cocks for stock: Roberts, 41, Haywood-st., Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent. (1912)

TYPICAL Yorkshire Canaries, two yellow hens, 10/- each; two buff hens, 6/- each; buff and yellow cock, 12/6 each; exchange entertained; approval: Blackburn, Dixon Close, Bamford, Rochdale. (1916)

LARGE unlighted buff Yorkshire cock, over 7 inches long, winner, only 12/6, with lovely yellow hen to match, 7/6, 18/- the pair to clear, approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-terr., Bradford. (1911)

PRIESTLEY'S high-class Yorkshires from my winning strain; cocks from 5/-, hens from 3/-; cash or deposit; inspection invited: 121, Gaythorne-terr., West Bowling, Bradford. (1910)

E. GREGORY, high-class Yorkshires, overstocked, for sale, about 8 pairs, including winners, reasonable, on approval; inspection invited: 67, Cross Hill, Ecclefield, Sheffield. (1914)

CHAMPION Yorkshires, splendid length, type and quality, grand typical cocks from 5/-, matched pairs 8/- upwards; approval; satisfaction guaranteed: Greenwood, Colne-terr., Crosshills, Keighley. (1919)

WINNING Yorkshires, long racy birds, all from prize winners, cocks from 6/6, hens from 3/6 and upwards, show or stock birds, on approval, cash or deposit: G. Hymas, 2, Bells-terr., Mansfield. (1918)

W. D. HALL has some good Yorkshire hens for sale, my own breeding, from 7/6; also some good stock cocks, my winners, state wants, seen any night: 124, Sancerro-st., Kennington Cross, London. (1910)

PRIZE-BRED Yorkshires for sale, cocks from 7/6 upwards; also a few matched pairs from 15/6; all related to my cup winners; inspection invited: Roser, The School House, East Chandon, Guildford, Surrey. (1918)

HAVE still a few grand quality birds for disposal, cocks from 7/6; and a few buff hens from 5/-, winning strain; see reports, Halifax, Doncaster, Windhill, etc.; approval, deposit: J. Cliff, 78, Brook-st., Selby. (1918)

TEN high-class Yorkshire hens for sale, unlighted, from my winners, 4/- each; also few cocks, 10/- each; most of them the standard length; room wanted: Ramsey, Woodcote Lodge, Banstead-terr., Parley, Surrey. (1912)

YORKSHIRES, unlighted yellow cock, vhc, 13/-; ticked yellow cock, vhc, 15/-; in strong competition; very stylish; good chance for novices; no better blood in the Fancy; approval: Jeffrey, 209, York-terr., Battersea, London. (1913)



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MAGNIFICENT long upstanding Yorkshire cocks, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens feathered like wax, 5/6, 6/6, 10/6; properly matched pairs, 12/6, 15/- upwards; cold room kept; four days' approval; 30 years breeder and exhibitor: Frank Stevens, Great Ayton, Yorkshire. (1917)

HIGH-CLASS pedigree Yorkshires, bred from winners of numerous prizes, long slim cocks or hens, teamed with quality, from 10/- each; a few specially selected pairs at 20/- a pair; real bargains; honestly worth double: L. Yates, 135, Maybury-terr., Woking. (1914)

GRAND upstanding yellow Yorkshire cock, over 7 inches long, as straight as a rush and good feather, winner, only 20/-, with lovely unlighted buff hen, feathered like silk, 7/6, the pair only 25/-, a chance in a lifetime; approval: North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-terr., Bradford. (1911)

STRAIN that speaks for itself.—I have for sale about 20 pairs of good Yorkshire Canaries related to my winners; see reports Y.C.C. and other shows; matched pairs from 8s. upwards; also a few good exhibition or stock birds proportionately; approval: Percy Hirst, Station-terr., Skelmanthorpe, near Huddersfield. (1916)

YORKSHIRES, grand long upstanding clear yellow cock, unlighted, colour fed, 10/6; splendid buff hen to match, 5/- pair 15/-; also buff cock, yellow hen, same price and quality; both pairs 28/-; my own breeding; no dealers; few other pairs 8/6, 10/6, 12/6 pair; correctly matched: Williams, 822, Penistone-terr., Owlerton, Sheffield. (1914)

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BROADBENTS

up-standing pedigree 7in. Yorks. cocks, 7/6; others, colour-fed, full song, from 5/-, 6/-, 7/-; hens 2/6, 3/6; all of the best strains, clears or marks; Norwich same prices: Broadbent, Decorator, Lowfield, Sheffield. (1913)

COMPULSORY SALE

Two unlighted wing marked buff £2; wing tick buff, winner of numerous first prizes, £3; unlighted buff hen, a gem, 39/-; these birds have won me 2 silver cups and medals; also cocks from 10/-, hens from 4/-; not rubbish: Apply, Cawthray and Son, 2, Thomas-st., Huddersfield. (1918)

ODGEN BROS.

WE have now ready a few winners for the keenest competition, reasonable prices; properly matched pairs from our noted winning strain at 10/6, 15/6, 21/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/- per pair, cocks or hens proportionate. Our winnings for the last 10 years stand unequalled. All birds sent on approval: Dudley Hill, Bradford. (1918)

GENUINE BARGAINS

Genuine prize-bred Yorkshire cocks, in full song, at the ridiculous low prices, 4/9, 5/3, 5/9, 6/3 each; grand racy hens, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 3/6 each; specially matched pairs, for breeding winners, at 8/6, 10/6 upwards. Buy from the breeder and save middle-men's profits. All genuine English, not German rubbish; approval: Edwin North, Breeder, 443, Manchester-terr., Bradford. (1910)

BANG AT THE TOP

and still pegging away. My Yorkshires have won over 50 first prizes this season, and a large number of specials, including cup for best in show at Bradford National. My winnings for years cannot be approached by any others. If you want to be in the winners another season, try one of my matched pairs at 20/-, 25/-, 30/-, 40/-, 50/-, 60/-, 80/- per pair; sure to give satisfaction; also some really good pairs at 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- per pair; odd cocks or hens in proportion. Come and see them for yourself, or I will send you on approval at my risk for seven days; either cash or deposit; a choice selection of show birds for disposal, including several recent winners, reasonable; state wants: L. Dykes, Reliable Aviaris, Shann-st., Bolton Woods, Bradford. (1917)

GENUINE BARGAINS

1911 bred Yorkshires. Yellow hen, 1st Bourne-mouth, 2nd Oxford, only times out, 35/-, sister to my cup winning hen for best bird in show at Bournemouth two seasons running; buff cock, brother to above, 3rd Bournemouth, 20/-; buff cock, 1st Bournemouth, in cards at Bristol cup class, only times out, 35/-; also several good cocks, from 10/- to 15/-; also hens, from 7/6 to 10/6, all bred from my winning strain; approval, deposit: Fullard, Cameron-terr., Christchurch, Hants. (1919)



These are not imaginary Birds

Sold first and then bought after. They can be seen, and there is quantity and quality, with the best value in the world thrown in. Give me the opportunity to send on approval.

PLAIN-HEADED NORWICH Winners as follows: Cocks, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 3/-, 4/-; pairs, 8/6, 10/6, to £5.

YORKSHIRES The Extraordinary Value I am now offering in Yorkshires must be seen to be believed. Cocks, 5/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; hens, 2/6, 3/6, 5/-; pairs, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6, 12/6, 15/- and 20/-.

EASIEST OF EASY PAYMENTS by joining my original Bird Club; distance no object.

JOE HARROP'S You cannot do better if in want of birds of high Origin, good quality, length, type, and position.

PURE-BRED YORKSHIRES Direct from our noted strain; yellows or buffs: cocks, 6/-, 7/-, 8/-, 10/-, 12/-; hens, same strain, 4/-, 5/-, 6/-, 7/6 to 10/- each.

Various Canaries. YOUNG cock Canaries, in full song, no chopping, 6/- each, hens 2/-; Phillips, Hairdresser, Darlaston, Staffs. (1915)

THE RIGHT STUFF Champion Norwich and Yorkshires, bred from my winners at all specialist shows, cocks from 12/6; hens from 4/-; stock pairs from 15/-; also a few good songsters, 6/6, 7/6 each: W. Johnson, 55, George-st., Leeds. (1913)

SPECIAL SONGSTERS Buy pure-bred Norwich, Yorkshires, Borders, Rollers, Mules, 6/6, 7/6, 8/6, 10/6; cages, 3d.; approval: W. Rudd, The Bird Specialist, Norwich.

100 SINGING NORWICH & YORKSHIRES 5/6, 6/-, 7/6, 8/6, 10/-; all guaranteed cocks; hens, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-; Sandiford, Bird Specialist, Preston; and 89, Selater-st., Shoreditch, London.

MULES-HYBRIDS. GRAND Linnet Mule, 2nd prize card sent, 10/- each, or deposit: Turner and Roberts, Oxford-st., Ripley, Derby. (1915)

EXHIBITION colour-fed dark Greenfinch Mule; the Newport, strong class, 10/-; approval, deposit: Moorman, Isle of Wight. (1917)

TOPPING cock Goldfinch Mule, win anywhere, 7/6; Linnet Mule 3/6; both bargains: Harry Kay, Portland-rd., Blackpool. (1918)

LARGE Lancashire-Norwich cross clear buff hens, 5/-, 7/6, 10/- each; 7 days' approval; cash or deposit: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1917)

NOTICE, grand lot Goldfinch and Linnet Mules for show or song, prices low; easy payments taken; approval: McKeand, Seabright, Castle-Douglas. (1912)

DARK Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet and Siskin Mules, all large birds, of good colour; reasonable, approval: William Reid, 61, Eyan-st., Stonehaven. (1911)

WANTED, cock Mules, on full song, in exchange for high-class stock or exhibition Norwich Plain-heads, mutual approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1909)

EXHIBITORS and Mule breeders, a good chance for stock or show birds, Yorkshires, Canaries; sell at half the price: Apply Jones, Crown, Clwy Bent, Cwm y Glo, S.O. (1919)

MULE breeders: Two aviary mounted cock Linnets, 2 hen Canaries, bred Mules (1914), 10/- pair; 1 cock Linnet Mule, bred from above, 7/6; Wright, Simpson-st., Spilsby, Lincs. (1911)

LARGE Greenfinch, Siskin and Twites, guaranteed breeders; Twite has won 6/- each; stock and show Norwich for sale: John Renwick, 82, Windsor-st., Burnbank, Lanarkshire. (1919)

VERY large twice house-mounted cock Goldfinch, sure miler, good condition, 8/-; or exchange double-sided gramophone records; approval: Sanders, Thursley Hall, Haslemere. (1909)

H.M. MULLING Greenfinch, Redpoll and Twite, guaranteed bred Mules, perfect feather and condition, 4/- each, or exchange exhibition Goldfinch to mount out.—Hobden, 95, Grosvenor Avenue, Wallington. (1915)

MULE and Hybrid breeders, can spare two magnificent bird-mounted yellow cock Greenfinches, marvels for colour, and grand wing bars, only 2/6 each; also H.M. buff cock Greenie, fertilized eggs with hen Bullfinch, 2/-; Blake, Overcross-rd., Ross-on-Wye. (1915)

CHANCE of a lifetime; owing to bereavement and ill health, am giving up the fancy; all my light mounting stud for sale: breeder of two clear yellows, one two-point yellow, five four point bulls, and numerous light Mules; clearing, genuine Sibs., cocks and hens, at 15/- each, or 25/- a pair, worth £5 a pair; a few first and second crossed, from 8/6 each to 20/- pair; 5 breeding Finches, 7/6 each; cages, aviaries, utensils, etc.—F. G. Bartlett, 32, Royal York cres., Clifton, Bristol. (1917)

DOES THE FOLLOWING INTEREST YOU? Exhibition and singing Mules, light and dark, Goldfinch, Greenfinch, Linnet, also choice and reliable hens for light or dark Mules breeding, 3/6, 5/-; cage, 3d.: Rudd, Specialist, Norwich.

50 PURE-BRED SIB. HENS guaranteed to breed Mules, 3/-, 4/-, 5/-, and 7/6 each: Sandiford's, Canary Breeder, Preston; also 89, Selater St., Shoreditch, London.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

WANTED, to purchase any kind of talking Parrots for cash: Stephens, West Drayton. (1910)

GREEN Budgerigars for sale, in perfect condition, 4/6 pair: H. 192, Worpole-rd., Wimbeldon. (1901)

BUDGERIGARS, Green, outdoor aviary bred; adult breeding pairs, 5/-; Tom Overton, New Brighton, Cottingham, Bingley, Yorkshire. (1914)

NECKLACE Tanager, cage mounted, 1st, sp. only time shown, 50/-; also few British: Taylor, 98, Eastmuir, Shettleston, Glasgow. (1912)

PAIR Naanday Conures, hardy, 50/-; several pairs of Green and Yellow Budgerigars, 4/6 and 5/6; Colonel, Walton, Rongomoto, Ryle. (1912)

BUDGERIGARS, outdoor, finest possible, 5/- pair; selected breeders, 6/-; yellows, 8/-; price list free: Miss Rosey, Rosemary House, Eastbourne. (1917)

BUDGERIGARS, from exposed aviary, unrelated adults, greens, 3/-; cocks, 2/6; yellows, 3/3; Cockatiels, 12/6; hens, 7/6; approval: Criddleford, Lapford. YELLOW winged Sugarbird cock, acclimatised, perfect gem, 12 months cold room, 32/-; exchange other specimens Foreign: Steed, North-st., Sudbury, Suffolk. (1912)

FOR sale, three Sydney Waxbills, pair Bichenov's Parakeets; wanted cocks, Indigo Bunting, Cuban and Pileated Finches: R. Colton, 9, Birkendale-rd., Sheffield. (1912)

BLUE Sugar-Bird, to sell cheap; pair Swainson's Parakeets; cocks; Rainbow Nonpareil, Indigo Bunting, Cuban Finch and Troupial: Clare, 194, Coombe-lane, Wimbeldon. (1912)

INDIAN Shama, cage mounted, perfect specimen, can win in the keenest competition, grand songster, with show cage, 70/-; approval: Walsh, Bird Specialist, Blackburn. (1915)

BEAUTIFUL Parrot and cage, lovely plumage, acclimatised, make sure talker, saying a few words, whistles, perches; only 17/6; Samuel, 2, Digby-st., Lenton, Nottingham. (1912)

WANTED, small Parakeet box show cage, preferably with case, must be in good condition; size and price to Mrs. Bourke, 75, Gloucester-place, Portman Square, London. (1912)

PARROT, grey and red, acclimatised, hardy, healthy, splendid condition, with large cage; signed talking warranty, 4 months' trial, my risk, 20/-; easy payments taken: 270, Gt. Bridge-st., West Bromwich. (1916)

THOUGH they can often be purchased for the modest half-crown, Pekin Nightingales are very beautiful in plumage, have a fine song, and make ideal cage or aviary birds. Some very helpful information on this variety will be found in "Nutshell No. 19," the author of which is Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S. Get it at once, 2/6, post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. 2d. from our agents (list published frequently).

OLDEST and largest breeder in England: Green Budgerigars 5/6 pair, hens 3/-; yellows 7/6, hens 4/-; White Javs 9/-; Cuththroats 4/6; Nuns 3/6; Green Singing Finches, cocks 4/- each; Orington Bunting, cocks 2/6; Yellow Bunting, 2/6; cock Cockatiel, good breeder, 8/-; all outdoor aviaries; breed at once: Sapsford, Teddington, Middlesex. (1912)

WAXBILLS (Golden-breasted, Orange-checked, Grey, and St. Helena). Than this interesting quartette, which can be purchased at from 2/6 to 7/6 a pair, there are few more charming foreigners. They can be successfully kept, too, with little difficulty if you will follow the hints given by Wesley T. Page, F.Z.S., in "Nutshell No. 20," 2/6, post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet-st., London, E.C. Call at any of our agents and get it for 2d. (list frequently published).

WHAT we have left, all nearly sold; thanks to all senders. 1 Tame Goldfinch, 10/-, 2 years in aviary; 4 Pintail Whydahs, one only long tail; 2 Red-headed Cardinals, 10/-; 4 Cockatiels (2 pr.), 35/- the lot; 4 Bishops, full colour, 3/- each; 2 Java Sparrows, 2/- each; 10 Green Budgerigars, 2/6 each; 12 yellow ditto, 3/6 each, all breeding birds; 2 Black-head Nuns, 1/6 each; 3 Spice Birds, 1/6 each; 1 English Goldfinch, 10/-; 2 Lavender-head Love Birds, 2/6; 1 green-head Love Bird, 1/3; cash only; no approval; stamps for any reply; 5 rd. zinc tins, 24 x 18, 6/- each; Slingsby, South Side, Brixlington. (1912)

OUTDOOR EXTENSIVE GARDEN AVIARIES Acclimatised: Troupial, twice aviary mounted, win any show, very tame, perfect, 30/-; Virginian Cardinals, very fine, 25/- and 20/-; Cockatiels, reared 11 young, 15/-; Zebra Finches, 8/6, free breeders; Budgerigars, Greens, 6/-; yellows, 8/-; finest and freest breeders in England; we bred 1st Palace, 1914, 1st cup Yorks., Greens, 1st and cup Yorks., yellows, etc.: Collingbourne and Co., East Sheen. (1911)

TALKING BLUE Fronted Amazon Parrot, acclimatised, healthy, hardy, talks, chatters, mimics, sings, finger-tame, square metal cage, four months' trial, my risk, 45/-; easy payments accepted. (1911)

HOPE, GT. BRIDGE ST., WEST BROMWICH TALKING PARROTS Do you require a genuine talking Parrot, absolutely the finest selection of genuine talking Parrots in England, including African Greys, Amazons, Indian Greens, Macaws, etc.; send for our price list and terms before purchasing a Parrot: actual importer; cheapest in the country: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1916)

JUDGES OF CAGE BIRDS

The attention of Show Secretaries is directed to the following list of gentlemen willing to act as Judges. Terms for insertion on application.

J. C. BARNES, 113, Northfield Road, Walkley, Sheffield. Judge of all varieties of cage birds. Long, practical experience. Terms moderate.

THOS. BENNETT, Judge of Cage Birds; life experience; terms moderate: 14, Cumberland-rd., Lidget Green, Bradford.

J. W. BRUCE, Coldstream. Judge of all varieties of cage birds; Border and British Bird specialist. Terms moderate.

W. A. COWGILL, 115, Washington Street, Gillington Bradford. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Practical experience. Terms moderate.

GEO. GARDNER, 11, Haverstock Road, London, N.W. Judge of all kinds of Cage Birds.

C. HOBBS, 35, Queen's Road, Northampton, having retired from business, can judge Canaries and cage birds. 40 years breeder and exhibitor. Terms moderate.

J. R. HOUGHTON, 21, Hatfield Road, Gloucester; Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds; specialist in Norwich; terms moderate.

C. A. HOUSE, Briardene, Idle, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and other Cage Birds.

J. W. METCALFE, Yorkshire Aviarist, 68, Brunswick Road, Liverpool. Judge of Cage Birds, Specialist Yorks. and Norwich; terms moderate.

W. R. MILES, Aviarist, Chichester.—Judge of all varieties Cage Birds, Norwich Plainhead Specialist.

W. MUNDELL, 6, Carlisle Place, Manningham, Bradford. Judge of Canaries and Cage Birds.

H. NORMAN, The Eryle, Salisbury Road, Carnation, Surrey. All varieties of Cage Birds. Specialist Hybrids and British Birds.

J. PATTERSON, Chinnisi, Judge of Cage Birds; all varieties. Wide, practical experience. Specialist Border Fancy Judge.

J. A. PAYNE, 17, Northgate Street, Gloucester, Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Cage Birds.

C. E. SILK, The Aviarist, Emsworth, Hants. Judge of all varieties of Cage Birds. Life experience.

JAMES STANGER, 55, Grange Terrace, Pelton Fell, Co. Durham, A.V., Spl., Nor. and Cr.

HENRY TAMS, Orchard Place, Longton, Staffs. Judge of Canaries, British and Foreign Birds. Twenty-five years' Breeder and Exhibitor.

S. TICKELL, 22, Honey Street, Bodmin. Judge of all varieties; specialist Norwich, Cinn. and Liz. Long practical experience. Terms moderate.

W. VARDY, The Aviarist, Hucknall Huthwaite, Notts. Judge of all varieties; specialist in Norwich Plainheads. Life experience. Terms moderate.

J. WILCOCK, The Fountain Inn, Eccleshill, nr. Bradford, Judge of Cage Birds, all varieties.

G. WILSON, 14, Frizington Rd., Frizington, Cumberland. Judge of Mules, Brit., For. Specialist, Brit., Mules. Life experience; terms moderate.

W. YOUNG, 25, Grosvenor Road, New Brighton, Judge of Cage Birds. Life experience. Terms moderate.

LLANELLY and D.C.B.S. Patronage: Great One-day International Show of Wales, Tenth Annual Show of Cage Birds, Market Hall, Llanelly, S.B.F.C.C., Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1915. Judges, J. Robson and H. Norman. Schedules, apply Hon. Secs., D. John and G. 60 Classes. Prizes: 10/-, 5/-, 2/6. H. Webster, 9, Pottery Place, Llanelly. All benefits go to Local War Funds.

DON'T FORGET ENTRIES FOR TREDGAR Open Show. See Review of Schedule. Town Hall, January 14, 1915. Entries extended to first post Monday.—W. B. Watkins, 63, High Street.

THE GREAT WELSH NATIONAL SHOW (CARDIFF) FEBRUARY 5, 6 and 8, 1915. 130 Classes, 6 Cash Prizes in each Class, Silver Cups, and numerous Specials. Eight Specialist Judges. Schedules ready Jan. 12.—Show Manager, W. Sampson, 93, Llanishen St., Cardiff.

Singing Contests. ANNOUNCEMENTS of forthcoming contests in the nature of advertisements must be paid for at advertisement rates, three words a penny.

PONTEFRACT. Weekly Linnet contest, Woodman Inn, Horsefair, Jan. 2. 20 birds entered, three minutes' time sing. 1, Wingham; 2, 3, Beard. Open sing, Jan. 3, 21 entered. 1, Clayton; 2, Wingham; 3, Beard.—S. Pugh, Sec.

KIPPAX. Open sing held Dec. 26, 20 birds sang. 1, Potter; 2, Wallis; 3, Tomlin. Members' sing, Jan. 2. 17 birds entered our first members' sing for 1915 season; the singing was only of moderate quality. 1, Colli-son; 2, Liversidge; 3, Plows, only 7 secs. parting 1 and 3.—A. Tomlin, Sec.

LEIGH. Globe Inn Linnet Club. Time and quality contest for club members, Jan. 1. Quality: 1, Cowburn; 2, Jones; 3, Coan. Time: 1, Litherland; 2, Disley; 3, Howard. Timers, J. Whittle, J. Statham. Minutes, Tatham. Judges, J. W. Topping, T. Statham. Referee, J. W. Jones. Hoping to see all our old friends at our open contest for time and quality, Jan. 16, at 2.—R. Disley, Sec.

LEEDS. Leeds Linnet and C.F.A., Albion Hotel, Saville Green, York Rd. Weekly contest for quality Linnet singing, Jan. 2. 15 birds sang. 1, 2, shared by Ward and S. Johnson; 3, Richardson. Judges, Jennings and Hardesty. Jan. 3, 19 sang. 1, 2, shared by Rosendale and Richardson; 3, S. Johnson. Judges, Hardesty, Naylor, Parker. Canary contest same date. 12 birds sang. 1, Hardesty; 2, Condliffe; 3, Stead. Judges, Lacy, Naylor, Richardson.—W. Naylor, Hon. Sec.

Leeds Linnet and Canary Club's first quality singing Linnet match of this year, at Plaeters' Arms, Skinner Lane, was well attended, and 27 birds competed. Result: 1, 2, J. Chippindale; 3, Bamfield; 4, A. Bryan. Judges, N. Solomon, J. Clark, H. Hayes. Members' entries for championship match close Jan. 31.—F. Turner, Sec.

Quality singing, Old Bird House, Skinner's Arms, Buntingthorpe; 1, 2, Shared by Binns and Ward; 3, Hullen. Judges, Messrs. C. Cuyton and Sellars.—C. Clayton, Hon. Sec.

SHOWS. ADVERTISEMENTS. SCALE OF CHARGES, which must be fully PAID. 1/4-inch 2/-, 1/2-inch 3/-, 1 inch 6/- Except to "Guaranteed" Shows appearing in our "Dates Fixed" Column, which are charged at 6s. per inch and pro rata. SHOW ADVERTISEMENTS across two or more columns 7/6 per inch, column width, except to "Guaranteed" Shows, for which the charge is 6/- per inch, column width. A reduction will be made for a Series of not less than Nine Weeks. Secretaries desirous of "guarantees" a Show should apply for guarantee form to our Manager, CAGE BIRDS, 154, FLEET STREET, LONDON.

EVERYTHING IS ALL RIGHT AT WATFORD SHOW JANUARY 13 and 14 Magnificent Classification (70 open classes) for Canaries, Hybrids, British, and Foreign Birds, Special Sections for Novices. Generous prize-money, 10/- 1st, 5/- 2nd, 3/- 3rd, 2/- 4th, 1/6 5th, 1/- 6th. Competent Judges: Messrs. R. L. Crisp, J. Robson, A. Silver, and R. A. Watts. Splendid service of express and fast trains. Management by practical, painstaking fanciers. All profits to the Belgian Relief Fund. WHAT MORE CAN EXHIBITORS WANT? What WE want is entries. Will accept until Sunday's post, Jan. 10. See Review of Schedule last week; or describe birds and we will classify them. Entry fee 2/-—W. Rackley, Sec., 9, Holywell Rd., Watford. Patronage of P.B.E.L. and F.B.C.

SUNDERLAND JANUARY 15th and 16th. Judges: T. C. Crawhall, J. Johnson, G. Wilson. 84 Classes. Entry fee 1/6. Prize Money, 10/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/-, and Specials. Entries close Monday, Jan. 11. Schedules from: John Peacock, 6, Whitburn Terrace, Fulwell, Sunderland.

Glasgow and Western Counties Annual Show of Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign Birds, in Good Templars' Hall, 122, Ingram Street, Glasgow. ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1915. Judges: Geo. Arnott, Kirkcaldy, and Jas. Strachan, Bathgate. NUMEROUS CUPS AND SPECIALS. Jas. McGowan, Sec., 45, Dorset Street, Glasgow.

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Twitterings.

Mr. J. Hulton, sec. Middleton C.B.S., writes that he has removed to 35, North Street, Middleton, where all enquiries and correspondence should now be addressed.

Mr. H. J. Chick (Nottingham) points out that a printer's error (which we regret) occurred in his advertisement of last week, the price of the Corn Buntings appearing as 1s. instead of 15s.

A letter we sent Mr. W. F. Lewis (Swansea), to the address given by him, has been returned marked "not known." If he requires it, he must communicate again with us.

My compliments to your artist for the sketch of my yellow-green Yorkshirecock at the Horticultural Hall show. He looked so natural and life-like, and it was a pleasant surprise to me to see him in CAGE BIRDS.—W. Jones (Birkenhead).

An old advertiser, of 12 years standing, Mr. J. Jones (Brighton) informs us that he is again about to offer his mealworms through our advertising columns. That they are exceptionally fine mealworms, a sample to hand proves, and they are, we understand, fed solely on bran and barley-meal.

Mr. C. E. Hylton, hon. sec., Idle C.B.S., 2, Croft Top, Idle, writes "the society, the youngest in the Bradford area, only wants some more real Yorkshire fanciers as members to make it second to none. Its trophies and prize list are unique. There is a ten-guinea cup for champions and a five-guinea shield for novices."

OBITUARY.

It is with great sorrow, writes Mr. A. Hudson, hon. sec. Barrow in Furness C.B.S., I have to acquaint you of the death of one of our most willing exhibitors, Mr. Jos. Jones. He was such a keen fancier that although of late his health had been much against him, he was an exhibitor and attended at our show as late as five weeks ago. He was laid to rest on New Year's Eve and leaves a widow with two sons serving under the colours. We all join in sending her our deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

It is with deep regret, writes Mr. E. Thomas, sec. Cardiff C.B.S., that I write to inform you that Sergeant G. Shellam, 2nd Welsh Regiment, has been killed in action. He was a brother of Mr. Alf. Shellam, the well-known Mule exhibitor. I am sure that all fanciers will extend to Mr. Shellam and family deepest sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

Halifax O.S. Smoking Concert.

I made a mistake when I sent you the notice about our smoker and social, writes Mr. H. Clegg, Sec., Halifax O.S., I said it was on Jan. 17, I should have said Saturday, the 16th.

Entries Extended at Tredegar.

We are compelled to extend closing date of entries until first post Monday morning, as up to date I have not received a single entry, writes Mr. W. B. Watkins, hon. sec. Tredegar C.B.S., 63 High Street.

An Interesting Sparrow.

In one of the roads leading off Clapham Common there is said to be an interesting Sparrow. With the exception of its head, the bird is completely white, and shows up very clearly among half-a-dozen Sparrows in their natural-coloured plumage.

Bute's Great Success.

The Bute Fanciers' Association's recent show was the most successful ever held by that body, writes Mr. W. Connelly, and as all profit was to go to the Red Cross Society's funds, it is very pleasing to be able to announce that they have £15 to hand over—very satisfactory indeed.

A "Hairy Plane."

The other day I espied a Heron leisurely flying over Clapham High Street, and a little girl greeted the appearance of the unusually feathered visitor with "Look, mother, there's a hairyplane!" The bird's outstretched wings and long, drawn out legs certainly in a way suggested the simile.—"Angling News."

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L. and P.O.S. Festivities.

The London and Provincial O.S. annual dinner will be held at the Holborn Restaurant on Thursday, Jan. 21, tickets 4s. each, writes Mr. C. W. Law, the hon. sec. (Brimley House, Woodhouse Road, North Finchley). Members and friends of other societies are warmly invited to be present with us. A splendid musical programme is being arranged.

Aberdeen Show Report.

Owing to the regrettable illness of our representative, Mr. P. Lyon, who is at present laid up in the Military Hospital, we are unfortunately unable to complete the report of Aberdeen show, a portion of which was published last week. We would have given the awards in the remaining classes, but the secretary has not sent us a catalogue, although applied for.

Scared the Birds.

A Middlesbrough lady relates a remarkable incident concerning the recent bombardment of the Hartlepoons. She noticed that vast numbers of birds, uttering weird cries, passed over the Tees, shortly after it commenced. Their fright confirmed her worst fears that the terrific explosions, which shook the windows of her house with extraordinary violence, had a tragic meaning.

A Complete Victory.

In addition to winning the Diploma with his clear-cap Silver Lizard at the Horticultural show (see front page this week) Mr. F. Hamer also won the award of merit for the best Gold, thus being adjudged the owner of the best bird of each colour, a feat of which he is justifiably proud in view of the importance of the show, and the fact that all the best Lizards were competing.

Llanely Wants a Record.

The show on Jan. 12 is probably the last I shall run, writes Mr. D. John, the sec. Llanely C.B.S., therefore I should like to have a record entry, and nothing will be left undone on my part which can help the exhibitors and the exhibitors. I will accept entries up to next Sunday morning's post (Jan. 10); see review of schedule in this issue. Our hall is one of the best in the kingdom, and will hold thousands staged in single tiers, so that all can see the birds to perfection. Send your entries, fanciers, please; Mr. H. Norman and Mr. J. Robson, judge.

Baldness in Birds.

This disfigurement may be due either to a dry and scrofulous condition of the skin or else simply to plucking by a companion. The latter cause occurs quite commonly amongst Waxbills and other small foreign Finches which have been huddled together in large numbers during importation and owing to enforced idleness have learnt the pernicious habit. If the plucked one is isolated and allowed to bathe freely the feathers will grow again in due course. Should the trouble be due to scurf, cool and purify the blood by giving a dose of fluid magnesia every third day for a fortnight (unless the bowels should become unduly relaxed); dose, one part magnesia to one part water for drinking. Wash the bald part daily with tepid water, dab dry and anoint with a little pure lard, coconut oil, or purified paraffin.—R. Mannerling, in "The Bazaar."

An announcement which should have the careful attention of all bird-keepers, bird-dealers, and traders generally appears on page 368.

SHOW DATES FIXED.

To secure insertion in this column, a guarantee that the show will be advertised in "C.B." to the extent of at least 25/- must be sent to our manager. Please note that we only insert those that guarantee, so our list is a bona-fide one.

England.

Jan. 8-9.—Ardwick and Manchester C.B.S.—(J. Spencer, 193, Palmerston St., Beswick, Manchester.)

Jan. 9.—Doncaster C.B.S.—(G. Hunt, 19, The Crescent, Balby Rd.) Mules, Brit. and For. Birds.

Jan. 13-14.—Watford C.B.S.—(W. Rackley, 9, Holywell Rd.)

Oct. 12-13.—Plymouth W.C.O.S.—(T. Pope, 98, Embankment Rd.)

Oct. 22-23.—Liverpool O.S.—(Metcalfe and Green, 68, Brunswick Rd.)

Scotland.

Jan. 22-23.—Glasgow, Scottish P.H.C.—(E. Barron, 119, Montrose St.)

Wales.

Jan. 12.—Llanely C.B.S.—(D. John, 9, Pottery Place.) J.R., H.N.

Feb. 5-6-8.—Cardiff (Welsh National Show)—(W. Sampson, 93, Llanisien St.)

White Sparrow near Woking.

Among the feathered friends who come to share my breakfast I number a white Sparrow. This little hen—and I judge her to be a hen from a certain roundness of contour combined with a gentle unaggressive manner—has, with the exception of two small brown feathers in the upper wing coverts and the same at extreme wing terminals, no feather darker than a greyish white, the upper parts, with exception named, being pure white, and the bird on the wing and in sunshine appears as a brilliantly white one. The beak, legs, and claws are yellowish white, and the eyes apparently normal in colour. Knowing that all species, including the human, are liable to albinism, it seems strange to think one can live sixty years before seeing a white Sparrow.—F. Baddeley (Woking) in the "Sunday Times."

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AN UNCOMMON BIRD PET: THE ROOK.

By
A. H. MUDGE
(Wimbledon).

As a cage bird the Rook is by no means common. Properly speaking, it is more suited for aviary life; or it may be kept loose in a garden or yard with one wing clipped. My experience with these birds is limited, being confined to two which I possessed, one of which lived only a short time, and the other, the subject of this article, for nearly two years. A specimen which is cream-coloured, with pink eyes, may be seen at the Zoo in London. I also read about a pure white one being hand-reared (this summer, I think it was). I saw a letter in "Country Life" giving the history of this bird.

Get Him when Young.

If caught when adult the Rook is wild and intractable, often refusing food and pining away; is this possibly because these birds pair for life? Both my birds were caught when just ready to leave the nest, so that they were fully fledged. One, which was caught in June, died in a short time, apparently more from fright than anything else. The other was caught in July. This bird had first to be forcibly fed, but after a few days it began to take food readily. It grew tame, and when it could fly it escaped and was loose for some hours, but as it was unable to feed itself, it soon returned.

After this one wing was clipped, and the bird was allowed to range the garden; formerly it had been left in a large, movable netted pen, with one end covered. When the moult commenced it was caged in a small aviary with a Jackdaw. This Rook moulted out pied, which is an unusual occurrence, the normal colour being glossy black, with, in adults, a bare patch of skin at the root of the beak. This patch of skin, which is white and rough, is absent in young birds, and not perfect until the second, or sometimes the third, moult.

The merits of the Rook as a pet are many. My bird was "finger-tame" to myself, but it was nervous if a stranger approached its abode. At evening this bird became restless and noisy, though at other times quiet. It was a great bather, enjoying a bath daily, even in the coldest weather, and kept itself in perfect condition.

The one great disadvantage of the Rook is that it does not learn to feed itself for months. My specimen, at any rate, took three months of hand-feeding before it showed any signs of picking up food; it was also very noisy when young.

I fed it on, as a staple food, hound meal, soaked in boiling water for about ten minutes, then strained dry. Hard-boiled egg, raw meat and dead Sparrows or mice, were given (alternately) once or twice a week, besides a few table scraps on rare occasions and mealworms and insects almost daily. As a great treat I sometimes gave Trower's "Cecto," which I find a good food for most Softbills.

I found the Rook to be a delicate bird if not attended to carefully, and very hard to keep in good condition during the moult. The bird died this year during that critical time, owing to the carelessness of the person who was attending to my birds during my temporary absence.

As before stated, the bird was kept in a small aviary. If kept in a cage the Rook would need one similar to those which Choughs or Magpies have; it would then need cleaning out daily. In conclusion I should like to say that this bird did not seem very anxious to break through its prison bars, as some good people would have us believe all cage birds are willing to do. It is only one instance out of many which I have come across of captive birds being perfectly content in "durance vile"; they doubtless are in nine cases out of ten when properly cared for.

THE SELECTION OF NORWICH and YORKSHIRE BREEDING PAIRS.

By
A. THOMAS
(Frimley).

It is no use, obviously, for a man to try to breed an exhibition specimen from a pair of common (or worse) Canaries; but I do not think it necessary for him to pay a large sum of money for a suitable pair. My advice is to start from the bottom. I think it best to send, or go, to a reliable breeder and tell him just how much you are prepared to pay, when he will no doubt fix you up with the necessary pair or pairs. I do not recommend the novice (that is, an absolute beginner) to start with more than two or three pairs.

The "Proudest" of them all.

The Yorkshire, there can be no doubt, is the "proudest" bird in the Canary tribe. Try and frame in your mind what a good Yorkshire is like. They are, of course, often depicted in CAGE BIRDS. The chief points to be considered are length, shape, feather and style. Most of our judges will award the prize to a bird nearer 7 inches than 6½ inches, although the latter is the standard length (other points, of course, being equal). It is wise to have for stock purposes at least one cock bird that is over the standard length.

The head should be round, with a small beak, neck well filled in, but showing the very slightest of curves. The body should be long and slim, and evenly tapered off from the shoulders, which should be narrow, to the tip of the tail.

The wings should be long, and closely carried (not crossed at the ends), reaching

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to and resting on the base of the tail. The tail should be long and neatly folded and carried in a straight line with the back. The legs should be lengthy and show plenty of thigh, well covered with feathers and free from any loose ones.

The plumage should be of a silky quality and free from any roughness. Avoid those birds that show a frill or have prominent chests. Always breed yellow to buff, and if quality of feather is carefully studied there will not be much wrong with the colour. I prefer to use yellow cock and buff hen, but I have had just as good results the other way round. Generally speaking we get size and colour from the cock bird and type and quality from the hen. Hence the reason why you should keep good hens.

When the show cage is handled the bird should shoot up into position at once, showing plenty of nerve, or "swagger." Colour, i.e., artificial colour, is not so important in this variety as in some, but if a bird has a good hot colour it certainly gives it a better finish; much more attention has been given to this point the last few years.

Whence the "Swagger" Comes.

There should always be a certain amount of Belgian blood in the stock, as it is from this that the Yorkie gets his nerve, or swagger; but it is far better for the novice to buy a bird with some Belgian blood in it than to introduce the pure Belgian.

The chubby Norwich has always held a warm corner in my heart, and if I had to lose mine I should feel very sore. In the first place we want a bird with a wide, first, nicely-rounded skull (a narrow skull is no use); neck short and thick; chest broad, deep, and nicely rounded (similar

Correspondence.

The Difference 'Twixt Mule and Hybrid.

SIR,—Will you kindly explain, through CAGE BIRDS, the difference between a Mule and a Hybrid, that is, if there is any difference. Many thanks for the very valuable hints obtained from your paper.

CORKHILL.

[All crosses are Hybrids, properly speaking, but by long usage the word "Mule" has come to be recognised as indicating a cross having a Canary as one of the parents, the word "Hybrid" being applied to crosses with no Canary blood in them. This division, of course, is purely a fanciers' one; a matter of convenience.—EDITOR.]

Is the Norwich Plainhead Developing into a Nondescript?

SIR,—Always jealous of the reputation of the Norwich Plainhead as a popular variety, I was a little surprised to see that Mr. Barker Clegg had developed into a pessimist regarding present-day winners and their type. Discussion is at all times entertaining and educational so long as the correspondence is conducted by fanciers with a proper sense of perspective, like Mr. Clegg possesses, but his letter is a bit vague. He says: "We don't want great, big, browy, sulky-looking, crouchy, inactive birds, lying on the perches, and with no daylight under them" (certainly we don't!) . . . and, "when one is bred that conforms approximately to the N.P. standard, the judges always find it." Isn't it curious?

Has Mr. Clegg seen the champion unflighted yellow cock of the year? Only once has he been missing from top place, and then he was pegged back by a judge with the reputation of being antagonistic to the "great big, browy, etc., etc.," and he is so devoid of all the faults which Mr. Clegg enumerates that one wonders what sort of a bird that judge really does want, and it makes one wish for a view of the bird that beat it. If Mr. Clegg will be at Ardwick show (I suppose he resides in the Manchester district) no doubt he will see it, and in spite of the increased cost of seed I'll lay a hard-earned guinea to a juicy gooseberry that his

eyes exude covetousness as he handles it. In any case, perhaps he will give us his impression of the bird next week.

Personally, I think there has been a great improvement in the Norwich Plainhead of late years. There have been phases when certain points have been "gone for" at the expense of other necessary points, and in defiance of the standard; but at no time have we had judges who understood the variety better and who selected birds which were nearest in conformity to the standard. No doubt at the smaller shows birds so adjectively described do creep more or less into the prizes; but a judge can't put good birds up if they aren't there. Good ones are sadly too few. In a discussion on the points of the variety, known birds ought to be referred to so as to make the discussion less vague. I don't think the owners would object so long as the criticism was honest and nought set down in malice, and the deductions adduced the result of clear thinking.

SUB ROSA.

The Novice Problem.

From British Into Canaries.

SIR,—I should like to see this answered in your valuable paper, CAGE BIRDS, regarding a Novice. Suppose I bought my British birds from a local catcher and he said to me he had a real good Linnet or two, and I bought one or two from him. After doing so I make it known to a fancier or two, and invite them to come and see them. They take a fancy to a certain Linnet and they try hard to get it from me. But I am told it is a show bird, and instead of selling I loan a cage and exhibit it. It happens to win. Now is it right I should be classed a champion in Canaries? Anyone with only a few coppers may have the luck to buy a real good British bird. If he afterwards chooses to start in Canaries, however, can he compete with the other champions on a few coppers?

SANDY.

[Our correspondent is apparently labouring under a misapprehension, as wins in British bird classes do not affect an exhibitor's status in the Canary section.—EDITOR.]

Correspondence continued on next page.

to the Bullfinch, or Robin type); back broad and well filled in, rounding off nicely at the sides; shoulders broad, but not prominent.

The legs should be short and set well back, for if they are too forward the bird will look stilty; tail short and compact; wings short, neatly carried and fitting close to the body, the points meeting evenly, but not crossing. The bird should be brisk and sharp (not sluggish) in its movements.

The plumage of a high-class Norwich should be fine and silky in texture, no coarseness about it, and very compact. The highest quality birds are usually the best coloured when colour-fed. Therefore aim at breeding them. Every breeder should keep a bright yellow-green cock-bird in his room; it is the stepping-stone to feather and colour.

In selecting Norwich to breed exhibition stock, always choose good thick-set ones, about 6½ inches to 6¾ inches long, if a little shorter so much the better. This matter of shortness applies more to the hens than to the cocks. Again, pair yellow to buff. You will be wise if, after your first season, you choose the breeding stock about Christmas time, from the second and third rounds, for the next year. If you intend exhibiting you will have to colour feed.

I am, let me tell you, a firm believer in Cinnamon blood; it is undoubtedly the source of that fine feather we all like to see. Avoid all flat-headed birds, as they usually come from crested stock and are deficient in quality. Avoid all those complications known as inbreeding, etc., for they are dangerous to the novice, and should not be attempted until experience has taught him something. Inbreeding should only be done when it is desired to fix some particular trait in a strain, in order to get it reproduced with more certainty in the next generation, and these related birds so mated should be as strong and lusty as possible.

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H. J. HAWES.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

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Special Prizes at Falkirk Good Intent Show.

Sir.—In answer to "Interested's" letter of Jan. 2. The next time you write to the press re specials at the Falkirk Good Intent Show, seeing you had not the courage to come to the general meeting, where you would have got every civility and an explanation of the delusion you are labouring under, you might be a man and sign your name and not put "Interested," as I think the only time you are interested is when you are getting specials and prize money. I am almost certain you are not a member of this club, but an individual of some other body trying to do as much harm as you can to this association. I see you say in your answer to Mr. Hunter's letter (which I hold is correct) that your "interest will cease." If this is the way in which you put your own interest before a society's welfare, then every society would be better rid of individuals of your stamp. However, I have no doubt the editor will see for himself who is right from the catalogue you have sent.

WALTER CLARKSON, Sec.

Sunderland Show Appeals for Your Support.

Sir.—With reference to our open show at Sunderland on Jan. 15 and 16, I should like to announce that a very large number of schedules have been sent out, but owing to the lack of open shows this season, the names and addresses of exhibitors have been difficult to obtain. In consequence, and owing to removals, etc., a number of fanciers may not get our schedule. Under these circumstances, will exhibitors kindly let me have their names and addresses? To give them time, I will accept entries which are posted so as to reach me on Tuesday, Jan. 12. In the Lizard section, a cash special of 2s. 6d. is given for best bird without a card; this was received after schedules were printed. In spite of the unsettled state of things through the great war, we have increased our classification, without interfering with the entrance fee or prize-money in any way. We hope that exhibitors will give us their confidence as in the past, and send us a bumping entry, even exceeding the record for Sunderland last year.

JOHN PEACOCK, Hon. Sec.

6, Whitburn Terrace, Fulwell, Sunderland.

The Value of "Push."

And a Few Words on the Modern Norwich Plainhead.

Sir.—Mr. J. Bastock, I am afraid, does not appreciate the fact that the "push" which I particularly recommended only concerns the disposal of reliable birds, a circumstance which you, Mr. Editor, were careful to point out in the heading to the article. That "push" of a doubtful character sometimes appears in advertisements in an endeavour to dispose of still more doubtful birds, I do not deny; but I am content to leave the authors of such to work out their own destruction. For Mr. Bastock to say he never heard of a breeder who had good birds for sale but that someone else knew of them, is too sweeping a statement; it does not take into consideration hundreds of good breeders in remote localities, or those of a shy disposition who are only unearthed by accident. I quite agree "that a short description of the birds when for sale is sure to be responded to"; as a matter of fact this is just the thing which, in my article, I begged such breeders and sellers to give.

In spite of the fact that failure to succeed as a breeder and exhibitor may be attributed in 90 per cent. of cases to certain factors being lacking in the individuals, and not the birds, my critic declares "he should like to see, instead of discussing persons, a good discussion upon the modern Norwich." Well, I don't mind a little bit; but why will some folks always endeavour to swallow the bottle instead of the medicine? For a start might I ask: What must breeders regard as the modern Norwich? The legacy from Plainhead breeders of many years ago, but built upon more generous lines; the active, clean-moulded, rich-coloured bird, with neatness everywhere, or the type which Mr. Barker Clegg refers to as brawny, sulky-looking, crouchy, inactive birds, lying on their perches and with no daylight under them? Both types are in evidence. Which is to be the choice? And then, how best may we breed them? Really something to discuss, this, that will last, I hope, much longer than the present war.

E. W. ALLSOPP.

Sir.—I was very much interested in Mr. Allsopp's article on the above subject. When I commenced reading the first part of the article I thought "here is a chance to earn something," but I must confess I was somewhat disappointed when I got to the second part. I breed Norwich Canaries as a spare time hobby, and for the last two or three

years I have found difficulty in getting a fair price for my surplus stock. I have sold cork birds for 7s. that were honestly worth 15s. to 20s. each. I advertised in "C.B.," I also advertised in a local paper and got one postcard. Being only a working man I am bound to sell, even if I cannot get a fair price. Can Mr. Allsopp tell me how to remove the difficulty for a novice to dispose of his surplus stock? H. COCKER.

A Show by Affiliated Societies at Rochdale.

Sir.—The Committee has decided to hold a show confined to members of the affiliated societies. It is to be held at the spacious rooms of the R.O.C., Bailen Street, Rochdale, on Sat., Jan. 23. We have secured the services of Mr. C. A. House as judge, and hope once again to have a good entry. I will be posting schedules, etc., of the show to the respective societies during the coming week, as we meet on Sat. night to complete the classification, etc. Should be pleased to accept any specials to be competed for at the show.

WM. ADAMS, Sec.

19, Bedford Street, Rochdale.

Are Scotch Fancy Exhibitors Overstepping the Mark?

Most Prize-winners Alleged to be Faked.

Sir.—I was very pleased to see the remarks by our old friend Mr. W. McClure, and he rightly states this matter is really troubling the Fancy. The cry to stamp out faking is an old cry; it is 50 years now since I heard it first, and I am sorry to say it is more rife now than ever before. The question is: How can we stop it? In order to arrive at a true answer, we must look the matter fair in the face. I have arrived at the conclusion that most, if not all, of the

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prize-winners are now faked; and the saddest part of it is, that many who "scorn" the idea of faking are nevertheless our greatest sinners in this direction. What we want is to examine the birds for faking, and not the owners.

Another point is: Should all faked birds, irrespective of the degree of faking exercised, be shelved? My answer is, most decidedly, "Yes." And so show committees must instruct the judges ere starting duty that they hold them responsible to shelve any faked birds, irrespective of degree, and should a judge fail to do his duty through fear or influence, it then is for the committee to refuse such a person as judge in future. Would this stamp it out? It might, or it might not. Influence and name have terrible weight even in committees. But is it worth while now trying it, for there are only quite a few open shows left to Scotch Fancy exhibitors?

The latter fact, to my mind, calls for more immediate attention. What has happened? I remember 30 to 50 years ago, prices then were not a fourth what they now are; shows were in every town; the hobby was a hobby. Alas! no longer is the Scots Fancy hobby what it used to be. Working-men have dropped off one by one in hundreds, until now only a few survive. Moneyed men have cornered the market, raised prices, and caused the hobby to give place to money-making, and it is this which, to my mind, has broken the backbone of the Scots Fancy hobby, and brought the other evils in its train. Stamp out the one and you stamp out the others. The question is, then: How are we to stop this horrible price-raising which now exists in our midst? I would suggest that this body of well-meaning fanciers of which Mr. McClure speaks should consider the great evils of price-raising and price-raisers, as also faking and fakers. I trust to see something definite done on this subject.

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Club Reports.

DARVEL C.B.S.

Meeting and table show of British, Mr. McCaw judged, Dec. 15. Club rules were revised. Next table show Jan. 12, 7.30. Principal winners at table show: Taylor, Beaton, Morton, Anderson, Hopkins, Fairful. J. Fairful, Sec.

BLAENAVON C.B.S.

Special meeting, Dec. 29, over 20 members present, and four new ones added. Decided to hold a members' table show, Jan. 7. A very interesting discussion on Feeding and Breeding took place, the views of a very young member, age 15, being especially appreciated. G. T. Jones, Sec.

CINNAMON-MARKED Y.C.C.

Winners in open competition for trophies: 1, H. H. Towers, 14s. pts.; 2, C. Morrison, 137 pts.; 3, Atkinson and Firth, 92; 4, T. Thomas, 66. Amateur: 1, J. E. Hudson, 20. Will other amateurs please forward their points as early as possible?—R. Garnett, Sec.

SOUTH MOOR C.B.S.

Annual meeting, Jan. 1. Mr. Dawson chair. Balance sheet was read, and prize money 7s. 3d. per class paid for 6d. entry fee. Everyone thought it very good, especially for our first show. Members should note that rule 10 is now void; it now reads: "A novice is a person who has not won 3 members' 1sts or one 1st in open competition. A little singing ended a very pleasant evening.—G. F. Bates, Sec.

LANCS. AND LIZARD F.A.

Meeting, Newmarket Hotel, Manchester, Jan. 2. We were sorry to learn that since our last meeting Mr. Cook, the genial landlord of the hotel, had succumbed to an attack of pneumonia and other complaints. Much regret was expressed by our members present. The question of club show was gone into, and sec. had a valuable list of specials to put before the meeting. Entries were accepted, and there is every reason to believe that the show will be a grand one both for numbers and quality. All the season's winners will be on view, both in Lancashire and Lizards. Up to time of writing Lizard entries total 72, Lancashire 22. Mr. Noah Stansfield (Denton) is the judge, and our members can depend upon careful and expert judging, though this is Mr. Stansfield's debut as a Lancashire and Lizard specialist judge. The show will be held at the Volunteer Inn, George Street, Oldham, Jan. 9. Fanciers are cordially invited. Mr. E. Fuller gives a special of 2s. 6d. for best Lizard shown by a novice (this is not mentioned in schedule). Much appreciation was expressed at the generous way Sunderland show was providing for the Lizard section. Mr. Fuller, who has been prevented coming to meetings for some time now, put in an appearance, and was very warmly received, especially when he expressed his opinion regarding the Lancashire Canary as shown at the present day.—John Rukin, Hon. Sec.

The Shows.

WINDHILL.

A Noted Winner Wrong-Classed.

27th Annual open show of the Windhill Shipley C.B.S., Jan. 7, 2, Carnegie Hall, an ideal place, well lighted, and free from draughts. Entries totalled 260, and quality was quite up to standard, many notable exhibits being benched. The mainstay of the show was the novices as usual. The strongest classes were the unflighted, no less than 35 were entered in the two novice unflighted classes. A notable feature of the show was the wrong classing of Mr. L. Dykes' Buff Tkd., which should have been shown in the cl. or invisible tkd. class; it has such a slight tk. that most would be likely to miss it. The society has a very strong working committee. Show Manager, Mr. Matt. Broadley, had full charge, and he and Mr. Taylor, the sec., were always hard at it. The Sec. paid out prize-money in good time. Show stewards were: Messrs. Mason, Garnett, Ellis, Atkinson, Sutcliffe, and Denton, and gate men, Messrs. Hopwood, Harney, and Ellis. Sales were looked after by Mr. R. Garnett, but did not come quite up to expectations. Specials were won by Messrs. Sutcliffe and Son, Ogden Bros., Harney and Studd. Mr. Chittenden, judge, although not enjoying the best of health, got through his work in good time, and seemed to give general satisfaction.

CHAMP., CL. OR INVIS. TKD. YELL. YKS. (7): 1, Dykes, cl., grand length, feathered like wax, nice round head, beautiful back and wing car., pipe tail, rich level col., in best cond.; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., rare shape and style, lovely qual.; 3, Towers, cl., nice length, well placed wings and tail, stands well up; 4, Robertshaw, cl., very stylish, tightly feathered, will do better; vhc. Dykes; he, Priestley; c. Lunn. TKD. (11): 1, Beaumont, buff, rare shape and style, not so big, feathered like glass, rich, sound col., best of legs, Al pos.; 2, Bennett, buff, beautifully moulded, richly coloured; 3, Hirst, yell., slim and typical, plenty of length, rare qual., some preferred this; 4, vhc. Ogden Bros., yell., grand length, lovely qual., neat wings and tail, wins sp. best 4th; he, Dyson; c. Broadley. UNFLIG. YELL. (8): 1, Ogden Bros., cl., not as large as some, but for feather and col. unbeatable, nice shaped head, wings and tail car. correct, Al pos., well beached; gem; 2, Dykes, cl., grand length, rich silky feather, level col., neat wings and tail; 3, sp., best 3rd, Sutcliffe and Son, cl., very slim and stylish, correct pos.; 4, Beaumont, cl., grand shape, only beaten in length; vhc. c. Hirst; he, Hall. BUFF (11): 1, Fawcett, cl., plenty of length, lovely feather, sound level col., grand head, shoulders, rare wing car., pipe tail; 2, Ogden Bros., cl., excels in qual., rich col., wings and tail correct, close up; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, wing tkd., rare length, very hot col., neat wing car.; 4, Thomas, cl., wonderful length, nice shape and style; vhc. Bennett; he, F. Self; c. Beaumont. UNFLIG. HEN (9): 1, 2, Dykes, cl., yell., wonderful length, rich silky feather, level col., nice head, back and wings, pipe tail, stands correct, best of legs, 2, cl. buff, plenty of length, rare qual., wings and tail correct, rich col., fine cond.; 3, Ogden Bros., cl., buff, rare length and style, well braced wings, stands well; 4, Bennett, tkd. yell., very stylish, rich col.; vhc. F. Self; he, Hirst; c. Sheard. CL. OR TKD. BUFF HEN (7): 1, Whitwham, cl., plenty of length, beautiful shape and style, boxy feather, nice head and shoulders, correct wing car., pipe tail, level col.; 2, Hall, cl., nice length and type, feathered like glass, rare wing car., close up; 3, Ogden Bros., cl., beautiful qual., wings and tail, well car., only beaten in length; 4, F. Self, cl., correct pos., nicely feathered, neat wings and tail; vhc. Dykes; he, Towers; c. Robertshaw. CINN.

MKD. YELL. (9): 1, vhc. c. Towers, wing tkd., wonderful length, rich, silky feather, beautiful tone of col., nice head, back and wings, nicely drawn, stands correct, a gem; 2, Morrison, mkd. head and wings, nice length, slim and stylish; 3, Sutcliffe and Son, rare shape and style, lovely qual., wings and tail well placed, rich col.; 4, Thomas, var., plenty of length, very typical; he, Atkinson and Firth. BUFF (7): 1, Towers, mkd. on wings, grand length, correct pos., excels in qual., rich col., beautiful head and back, nicely drawn wings and tail, well braced, Al cond.; 2, Morrison, var., wonderful length, rare shape and style; 3, vhc. Atkinson and Firth, shows breed, rich col.; 4, Bennett, var., beautiful qual., very stylish, only beaten in length. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Ogden Bros., var., plenty of length, feathered like glass, rich col., grand shape and style, wings and tail nicely placed; 2, Morrison, mkd. head and wings, very slim and stylish, rich, silky feather; 3, c. Towers, mkd. neck and wings, fine, silky feather, grand col.; 4, Atkinson and Firth, even mkd., lovely qual., neat wings and tail, will do better; vhc. he, Bennett. BUFF (8): 1, Ogden Bros., mkd. wings, rare length, beautiful silky feather, nice round head, grand back and wings, pipe tail, rich col.; 2, he, Morrison, var., beautiful qual., sound col., wings and tail, well car., well benched; 3, Thomas, var., nice shape and style, neat wings and tail; 4, Whitwham, even mkd., wonderful length, very typical, rare stock bird; vhc. Casey; c. Towers. GR. MKD. YELL. (8): 1, Dykes, even mkd., wonderful length, rich, sound col., grand head, back and wings, Al pos., and benched in best con., unbeatable; 2, Towers, var., very slim and typical, hot col., neat wings and tail; 3, Hall, var., plenty of length, rich col., and nice shape, rather slack in front; 4, Sutcliffe and Son, even mkd., nice shape and style, lovely qual.; vhc. Whitwham; he, Garnett; c. Morrison. BUFF (9): 1, Dykes, var., wonderful length, stands like a gentleman, feathered like glass, well fitting wings and tail, rich col., Al pos., one of the best; 2, Bennett, even mkd., beautifully moulded, stout lines, lovely qual., correct pos.; 3, Hall, mkd. on head, plenty of length, neat wings and tail, loses in cond.; 4, Robertshaw, var., hot col., lovely qual., stylish; vhc. Mason; he, Garnett; c. Morrison. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Dykes, even mkd., beautiful qual., grand head and back, nicely fitting wings and tail, rich, level col., on best of legs, Al pos., fine cond.; 2, Morrison, even mkd., lovely shape and style, only beaten in col.; 3, Towers, mkd. head and wings, very stylish and full of nerve, sound col., neat wings and tail; 4, Casey, mkd. eyes and one wing, grand shape and type, lovely qual., rather pale; vhc. Priestley; he, Sheard; c. Hall. BUFF (7): 1, Robertshaw, even mkd., grand length, hot in col., fine silky feather, correct pos., wings and tail, well placed, fine cond.; 2, 3, vhc. Dykes, even mkd., beautiful qual., rare shape and style, not too long; 3, wonderful length, built on stout lines, well fitting wings and tail; 4, Ogden Bros., plenty of length, boxy feather, rather pale in col.; he, Towers; c. Garnett. NOV. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (11): 1, Mitchell, cl., wonderful length, rich, sound col., feathered like glass, nice shaped head, rare wing car., pipe tail, Al pos.; 2, Symes, cl., grand shape and style, lovely qual., only beaten in length; 3, Wilman, cl., plenty of length, very long-sided, neat wings and tail, grand stock bird; 4, Ackroyd, cl., very stylish, level col.; vhc. Harney; he, Farnish; c. Allatt. BUFF (13): 1, Scalfie, cl., grand length and style, sound in col., boxy feather, nice head, full neck, well drawn out, rare wing car.; 2, Farnish, cl., close up, lovely qual., Al pos., neat wings and tail; 3, Moore, vhc. tkd., nice size, fine, silky feather, stands well up; 4, Studd, cl., beautiful feather, grand wings and tail; vhc. E. Self; he, Bower; c. Allatt. UNFLIG. (19): 1, 4th, cl. buff, correct size, feathered like a Java, nice head, well filled neck, back and wings, beautiful pipe tail, stands well up; 2, 4, Wilman, cl. yell., longer and slimmer, very stylish, a real Yorkie; 4, tkd. buff, plenty of length, feathered like glass, good stock bird; 3, J. Bower, cl. yell., slim and typical, rich col., loses in length; vhc. Trevenar; he, Ackroyd; c. Salt. HENS (16): 1, Salt, cl. buff, grand length, lovely qual., full of nerve, nice round head, full neck, well braced wings and tail, in fine cond.; 2, G. E. Bower, cl. yell., nice length, fine, silky feather, grand shape and style, level col.; 3, Harney, cl. buff, wonderful length, very stylish, rich col., stands well; 4, Allatt, cl. yell., rather stout, but rare shape, neat wings and tail, grand stock bird; vhc. Sharpe; he, Wilman; c. Symes. CL. OR TKD. YELL. (13): 1, Firth, wing tkd., nice length, showing breed, full of nerve, rich col., well fitting wings and tail, Al pos., fine cond.; 2, Mitchell, cl., rare shape and type, beautiful qual.; 3, Sharpe, cl., very stylish, feathered like wax, rather low on leg; 4, Ackroyd, nice length and style, neat fitting wings and tail, wants a wash; vhc. he, Ratcliffe; c. Close. BUFF (9): 1, vhc. Fisher and Dyson, tkd., grand length, fine boxy feather, nice round head, well filled neck, wings and tail correct; 2, Town, cl., very long and slim, silky feather; 3, he, Atkinson, cl., plenty of length, well braced wings and tail; 4, Sharpe, cl., rather less, excels in qual., very stylish; c. Bower. GR. OR CINN. MKD. CK. (15): 1, Studd, Gr. mkd., var. buff, grand length, fine silky feather, nice head, full neck, lovely pos., wings and tail, well placed, shown well; 2, Baker Bros., Cinn. mkd., rather stout, rich col., lovely qual., Al pos.; 3, Harney, yell. Gr. mkd., hot col., slim and stylish, rare wing car.; 4, Swift, var. Gr. mkd., long and slim, nice shape; vhc. Craven; he, c. Sugden. HENS (12): 1, Collins Bros., var. yell. Gr. mkd., grand length, rich level col., correct pos., neat wings and tail, feathered like glass, shown well; 2, Sharpe, Cinn. mkd. yell., very slim and typical, lovely qual., loses in wing car.; 3, Crowther, yell. Gr. mkd., nice shape and style, silky feather; 4, Broadbent, buff Gr. mkd., beautiful shape, neat wings and tail; vhc. c. Studd; he, Harney. NOR. (7): 1, 2, Kaberry, cl. yell., grand head, exquisite col., well across perch, fine cond.; 2, tkd. buff, plenty of subs., hot col., grand head and breast, some preferred this; 3, he, Thomas, cl. buff, grand head, and stands well; 4, Salt, cl. yell., very hot col., correct type, rather less; vhc. c. Rolfe. HENS (8): 1, 3, Thomas, tkd. buff, correct type, beautiful head, hold breast, stands well on perch, very cobby, fine cond.; 3, wing tkd. buff, grand head and breast, rather short of bloom; 2, vhc. Kaberry, cl. yell., grand shape, rich col., stands correct; 4, he, Salt; tkd. buff, nice head and breast, fine feather; c. Rolfe.

REVIEW OF SCHEDULES.

Llanelli C.B.S. (Wales).—Market Hall, Jan. 12. Judges, A. Robson, B. Norman, 49 cl.; Nor. 7 (1 Nov.), Yorks. 7 (1 Nov.), Bord. 9 (2 Nov.), A.G.V. 1, S.W. 5, Local 5, Miles 5, Brit. 19, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee, 3s. 6d. Ent. close 1st post Sunday, 10 D. John, 9, Pottery Place. Tredgar (Mon.).—Town Hall, Jan. 14. Judge, J. W. Metcalfe, 37 open classes; Crests 2, Nor. 8 (2 Nov.), Yorks. 10 (4 Nov.), Bord. 2, S.W. 1, A.V. 1, Pairs 1, Brit. 7, Miles 9, For. 2. Prizes, 10s., 5s., 2s. 6d.; fee, 1s. 6d. Ent. close 1st post Jan. 11, to W. B. Watkins, 65, High Street.

THE SCOTTISH NATIONAL SHOW.

PLUCKY FIGHT AGAINST ADVERSE CIRCUMSTANCES.

The Officials come through with flying colours: A splendid attendance of bird-lovers: Grand display of birds, with a record entry of Crests: The sensational Hybrid comes a cropper.

THE Scottish National C.B.S. held another highly successful show, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1. Handicapped by having to secure a fresh show-room (the Corn Exchange having been let for National Insurance and Labour Exchange offices), the committee eventually decided upon the Grindlay Street Halls, as their venue for this year's show, but almost at the last moment were obliged to change from the upper hall, which has a splendid roof light, to the lower hall, which, though it has plenty of floor space, is not well lighted. Had it not been for the fact that schedules had been issued the show would probably have been cancelled, as the upper hall was unexpectedly required for military quarters. Members faced the situation bravely, however, and decided to "carry on as usual," and they are to be heartily congratulated on a very successful show. Entries were about 400 down on last year, but the classification was 22 classes less, therefore the loss of entries is not quite so serious as the figures would seem to indicate, the total being 1,600, or only an average of 1 per class below last year's record. The attendance on Friday seemed as large as ever, but the hall being smaller gave a more crowded appearance than used to be the case in the Corn Exchange. All preliminary arrangements were carried out in the usual masterly way, the management being led by the president, Mr. Jas. Witter, vice-pres. Mr. S. Bnglass, and Mr. R. Craig show manager. The committee, Messrs. A. Rodger, W. R. Finnie, T. Todd, J. G. Easter, W. B. Smart, G. W. Brown, P. Murray, J. Charlton, W. Allan, A. Paterson, M. Petrie, A. Weston, P. McNeiven, C. Sykes, A. Bowie, A. Hoyle, J. Goulay, S. May, R. Spence, W. Turnbull, W. Carson, D. Morris, L. J. Ayrigh, H. Norton, with J. R. Meikle as sec., carried out the various details in splendid order, Balfie, F. A. Watt, of Banff, rendering valuable assistance. The staging was again in the hands of the expert, D. Kindlay-side, who did all in first-class style. Some of the exhibits were considerably delayed on route, Messrs. Martin and Archer's birds and some others not being delivered until after judging had commenced, but the committee kept the classes back as long as possible in order to give all late arrivals a chance. There were few casualties during the show, but Mrs. Taylor's fine Redstart was unfortunately found dead on arrival. Sales were not so numerous as in former years, and no sensational prices have to be recorded, but a fair number of birds changed hands. The gate receipts amounted to about £36.

Mr. Parlett's noted exhibit again provided one of the attractions of the show, and a sensation, also, as the judge declined to accept it as being eligible for the class in which it was entered, namely, A.V. variegated Canary Muie. The Bullfinch Variety class was for Darkies only. Evidently, therefore, the judge, Mr. McQuiston, did not accept it as being a Canary-Bullfinch Hybrid. The bird again had many admirers, and very varied were the expressions passed as to its parentage.

Entries from English exhibitors were below previous years, the uncertainty prevailing as to train services no doubt being the main reason, but those who did send were fairly successful. The Dewar challenge shield for best bird in show again crossed the Border, Messrs. Martin and Archer being the fortunate winners with their celebrated Light Linnet Muie, "Perfection." The Aitken cup and the Gibson cup also were won by English birds, Mr. W. Crawshaw, of Ayrington, securing both these trophies with his Norwich exhibits. The Patterson cup was won by Mr. W. Dodds, of Edinburgh, and the foreign bird trophy by Mr. P. Arnot, of Alloa.

Judging was rendered more difficult than usual as the light in some parts was very poor, and the birds had to be carried to the end of the hall. Had the committee been able to retain the upper hall, they would have had a splendid light.

The judges were: Messrs. A. Maxwell and W. N. Turner (Norwich); J. Brotherton (Crests); A. Leslie and A. Livingstone (Scottish Fancies); J. F. Dewar (Belgians, Yorkshires, and Lizards); J. Johnstone and J. Patterson (Border); P. McQuiston (Mules); Livingstone and McQuiston (British); C. Sykes (For.)

THE NORWICH CANARIES. Judge, Messrs. A. Maxwell and W. N. Turner.

Norwich Plainheads were a bit back in numbers, there being 222 birds in 17 classes, but although wanting in number, there were some very nice birds on view. Mr. Crawshaw won the Aitken cup with his lovely nuffing, yellow cock, the best Norwich we have seen for some time. Mr. Grewar won S.P.C. medal for best cock, and Mr. Chalmers S.P.C. medal for best hen. Mr. Thomas won Ramsden's silver crucet for best fed hen. The awards of the judges seemed very favourably received.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (11): 1, J. C. Murray, grand size, fine shape, nice level col., fine wings, clean cut away, just a little brook; 2, S. Thomas, similar shape, fine head and neck, nice wide front, rare qual., warmly fed; 3, Crawshaw, not so cobby in shape, nice round head, fine qual. and col.; 4, Kerr, trifle longer in body, but nice qual. and col.; 5, Hirst, nice head, fine col.; vhc, Silk; he, Stephenson. BUFF (10): 1, Hirst, line head and neck, grand subs., fine deep front, nice level col., richly miced, nice shape and carr.; 2, Cook, grand size, marvelous col. and qual., fine round head, deep front, moves nicely; 3, Russell and Teasdale, not so nice in head, line body, wonderful type and qual., sound col.; 4, Colley, nice cobby shape, good col. and qual., nicely carried wings and tail; 5, Greaves and Richard, hardly the shape of leaders, sweet qual., nice col.; vhc, Martin; he, Young; c, Beswick. VAR. CK. (10): 1, sp., 4, Crawshaw, buff, mkd. eyes and wings, dark breast, nice round head and neck, bold front, all there for type and qual., put down to win, 4 highly var., fine size and shape, nicely fed, in lovely order; 2, Allison, yell. var., nice round head and neck, true Nor. type, fine bold front, clean cut away behind, in fine fettle; 3, Martin, dark var., buff, not quite the subs. of leaders, nice type and qual., fine col., richly veined; 5, Kerr, lightly var., yell., fine qual. and col.; vhc, sp, Hirst; he, Thomas; c, Briggs. CL. OR TKD. YELL. HEN (10): 1, 2, Crawshaw, leader, fine round head, full neck, fine depth of front, nicely cut away, lovely col., 2 shade larger, similar type and qual., rich even col., nicely carried wings, both in nice cond.; 3, Silk, fine, shapely head and neck, nice round front, hardly the subs. of leaders, still a nice one; 4, Wake, griz. head, nice bold front, rich even col.; 5, Allison, lovely shape, grand size, line full front, nicely carried

wings, presses leaders; vhc, sp, McGinn; he, Thomas; c, Winter. BUFF (9): 1, F. Taylor, nice head properties, fine bolly type, rich even col., lovely qual., put down in nice cond.; 2, Beswick, line, shapely head, short and thick set body, short wings and tail, nice exhibit; 3, he, Thomas, better col. than leader, but not quite the subs., nice type and qual.; 4, Wake, not so bold in front, but nice qual., line rich col.; 5, Cook, fine size and shape, nice front, well carried wings, close up; vhc, Cameron; c, Moffat. VAR. HEN (6): 1, Ironside, lightly mkd. yell., line round head, thick round body, line depth of front, put down in grand cond., wins easily; 2, Bnglass, yell., similar marking, loses a bit in size and shape to leader, nice col. and qual.; 3, Barnes, buff mkd. head, neck, one wing, line round head, nice col. and qual., nicely shown; 4, Leach, buff, cinn. mark, line shapely head; 5, Cameron. UNFLIG. YELL. CK. (14): Best class in section: 1, cup, 2 sps, Crawshaw, cl. yell., a grand one, excelling all through, line round head, deep bold front, nicely carried wings and tail, grand col. and qual., wins in strong class; 2, Marshall, cl., similar in size and type, not quite the subs. of leader, yet a good one all through; 3, Hirst, yell. var., nice round head, line front, grand type and qual., rich col.; 4, Lawson, lightly var., good head and neck, fine bold front, plenty of subs., rich even col., presses leaders; 5, Adamson, cl., line shape and subs., rich even col.; vhc, sp, Mitchell; he, Grewar; c, sp, Crawshaw. BUFF (18): 1, 4, Crawshaw, leader, cl., nice round head, short, thick neck, line bold front, grand col. and mealling, 4 var., nice bounding bird, line front, nice type and qual., rich even col., well staged, in fine order; 2, Lawson, similar type and qual., fine front, rich carried wings, well cut away behind, close up; 3, Hirst, fowl tail, wet when taking notes; 5, Marshall, cl., nice type and qual., rich col., nicely marked; vhc, P. Murray; he, Silk; c, Dickson. UNFLIG. YELL. HEN (11): 1, S.P.C. Medal, Chalmers, lovely col., fine, round head, fine depth of front, short, thick body, splendid wings and tail, in fine order; 2, Allison, nice cl., similar type, short and cobby body, rare qual. and col., put down in fine front; 3, McGinn, cl., much the same type and qual., nice level col., not quite the same bloom; 4, Colley, cl., line, round head, rich col.; 5, Lawson, var., fine head and neck, short thick body, rich level col., put down in grand cond., might have gone up; vhc, Ewart; he, Hirst; c, Noble. BUFF (16): 1, Cook, var., great size, line head and neck, deep, broad front, nicely cut away, rich col., splendid cond., wins; 2, J. C. Murray, heavy var., nicely rounded head, fine size and shape, true Nor., in fine order; 3, Lawson, cl., cobby shape, excellent col. and qual., nicely carr. wings, well cut away; 4, Grewar, almost green, full head and neck, Al col. and qual., line silky feather; 5, McLeod, cl., nice round head, real bulky type, rich sound col.; vhc, Adam; he, Martin; c, McGinn. NON-FED CK. (12): 1, S.P.C. medal, Grewar, cl. yell., fine size and subs., neat round head, fine depth of front., rich col., well put down; 2, Allison, fowl wing yell., much the same in shape and qual., not so bright in col., but all there for subs. and close up; 3, Leach, cl. yell., not the body of leaders, but nice type and qual., fine col.; 4, Grewar, cl. yell., line head and rich, not so thick set; 5, Hutton, fine qual. and col.; vhc, sp, Gorrie; he, Barnes; c, Ross and Duncan. HEN (7): 1, Martin, yell., fowl cheek, line head and neck, short, shapely body, soft silky texture, nicely cut away, in grand cond.; 2, Jeffrey, tick wing, similar size and shape, nicely carried wings and tail, not quite the polish of winner; 3, Mitchell, yell. gr., nicely rounded head, short, deep front, fine Nor. type, in good order; 4, McLeod, cl. yell., fine size and subs., nice wide front, could be improved with a wash; 5, Stewart, buff var., line round head, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Gorrie; he, Anderson. NOV. CK. (20): 1, Foote, yell. var., lovely rounded head, deep, broad front, rich even col., fine size and shape, put down in grand form; 2, c, Mathewson, cl. buff, all there for size and subs., neat wings and tail, not quite the bloom of winner, useful stock bird; 3, Walls, neat head and neck, finely moulded body, rich even col.; 4, Dick, cl. yell., sweet type and qual., beautifully cut away, close up; 5, Priestley, cl. buff, fine size and shape; vhc, sp, Heald; he, Pearson. HEN (6): 1, Foote, nicely staged cl. yell., neat head and neck, short and thick set body, nicely placed wings, fine level col.; 2, Meikle, buff var., fine size and shape, nice bold front, fine qual., nicely cut away; 3, Brown, cl. yell., fine size and shape, just loses in qual. to leaders; 4, McCartney, cl. buff, fine head and neck, good size; 5, Gowans, buff front, fine type and qual., sound col., just wants more subs.; vhc, Anderson. LIMIT. 304. (14): 1, Smith; 2, Dickson; 3, McGinn; 4, J. Craig; 5, Forrest; vhc, sp, McKay; he, Kean; c, Moffat. CK. 158. (25): 1, Barrie; 2, J. Craig; 3, Govan; 4, Johnson; 5, Leishman; vhc, Sandison; he, Forrest; c, Godfrey Brown. HEN 158. (17): 1, Bunch; 2, McLeod; 3, vhc, A. Craig; 4, Wake; 5, Barrie; he, Axe; c, Johnson.

THE CRESTS & CRESTBREDS. Judge, Mr. J. Brotherton.

The Crest and Crestbred section proved to be a record, and Scotch exhibitors well held their own. Every class had its complement of noted winners doing battle for the last time for 1914 show season. Excellent teams were forward from all the noted breeders, and the comment was heard that it was one of the best displays ever seen at the Scottish National, both as regards the wonderful size of the Crests, and the immense skulls of the Crestbreds, combined with size and substance. The hen limit class had an entry of 39, and not a bad one among them. Mr. Brotherton, the judge, had an arduous task separating the various winners, but he got through his work right well.

CREST COCK (10): 1, Smith, cl. body D.C., of great size and beautiful formation, grandly radiated, lovely droop; 2, Dobson, wing mkd. D.C. of immense size, rare width of frontal, grand spread and radiation; 3, Dobson, gr., beautifully rounded crest, well defined in centre, great body feather; 4, Birus, grand body, nice large crest of lovely formation, close up; 5, McMillan, varieg., neat and shapely crest, of nice leafy feather; 6, McLay; 7, Taylor; 8, Dickinson Bros. HEN (12): 1, McLay, heavy varieg., distinct centre, grand radiation, dense heavy feather, lovely droop; 2, McLaren, wing mkd. D.C., nice centre and droop, rare frontal and sides, capital body feather; 3, Paul,

varieg. D.C., grandly radiated, lovely droop, extra good qual. of feather, capital frontal; 4, Donaldson, varieg. D.C., heavy dense feather, extra good frontal, nice col. and qual. of feather; 5, Mills, neat and well rounded, grand body subs.; 6, McNaughton; 7, Young; 8, Mills. C.B. CK. (16): 1, Hamilton, cl. body, grizzle head, wonderful size and subs., great width of skull, grandly lashed; 2, 4, Colledge, 2nd mkd. eyes and back, grand dome-shaped head, splendidly lashed, lovely qual. of feather; 4th, line broad skull, rare frontal, heavy body feather, grandly lashed; 3, Barker, gr., very heavily lashed brows, great density of feather, fine body subs.; 5, 6, McLaren, lovely qual., grandly sloped body, beautiful feather; 7, Dobson; 8, Dott. HEN (14): 1, Smith, heavy varieg., grand shaped skull, immense size of body, lovely silky feather, rare qual.; 2, McLay, nearly gr., wonderful shaped body, carrying plenty of feather, fine broad skull, must have pressed; 3, McMillan, varieg., grand shaped skull, densely feathered and beautifully lashed, good shaped body; 4, McClement, mkd. head, eyes, and chest, shade longer in body, nicely feathered, line width of skull; 5, McNaughton, almost gr., lovely shape; 6, Colledge; 7, McLaren; 8, G. R. Smith. CREST CK (1914) (18): 1, Taylor, mkd. wings and chest, grand width of front, splendid crest of lovely formation, capital body; 2, 3, 5, Colledge, 2nd wing mkd. D.C., lovely spread, grand radiation, fine leafy feather; 3rd, mkd. left wing, nicely shaped body, grand headpiece of beautiful formation; 5th, wing mkd. D.C., similar to 3rd, beaten only in size, nicely radiated crest; 4, Whitton, lovely centre and droop, beautiful col. and qual., grandly radiated crest; 6, McClement; 7, Edwards; 8, Hamilton. HEN (15): 1, Taylor, a stunner, rattling crest of lovely formation, beautiful droop; 2, Barker, mkd. wing and vent, neatly centred, beautifully radiated, nice droop and finish, fine body; 3, Smith, nearly gr., beautifully centred and drooped, heavy frontal and sides, grand qual. of feather; 4, Hamilton, wing mkd. D.C., distinct centre, heavy dense feather, lovely radiation; 5, McLaren, gr., splendid front and droop, grand centre; 6, Lindsay; 7, Brown; 8, Chalmers. C.B. CK. (1914) (16): 1, Mills, grand cl., great size and subs., great width of skull, nicely lashed; 2, 4, Smith, 2nd mkd. wings, grand entrance, grandly lashed brows, great body feather; 4th, gr., fine shaped skull, grand body of great subs.; 3, Edwards, heavy varieg., wonderful qual. of feather, grand dome-shaped skull, well browed; 5, Hamilton, mkd. head and wing, capital shape and style, fine subs.; 6, McLaren; 7, G. B. Smith; 8, Dobson. HEN (16): 1, Hamilton, lovely varieg., grand head, lovely body shape, dense body feather of rare qual.; 2, 5, McLay, mkd. eyes, neck and wings, great width of skull, beautifully lashed, grand shaped body, nicely feathered; 5th, similar to 2nd, not so wide in skull, line frontal; 3, McIntosh, heavy varieg., handsome dome-shaped skull, plenty of lashing, capital body feather; 4, Duns, lightly varieg., capital body subs., line width of skull, grandly lashed; 6, McNaughton; 7, Dobson; 8, McGowan. NOV. CREST OR C.B. (14): 1, Williamson, mkd. vent, D.C., grand formation, line leafy feather, grand exhibit; 2, 4, Jeffrey, wing mkd. D.C., beautifully radiated from neat centre, finely shaped body; 4th, line width of skull, neatly browed, rare body subs. and size; 3, Samuel, mkd. both eyes add head, grand qual. of feather, fine head, nicely lashed; 5, Bruce, nice shape and qual., good body feather; 6, McIntosh; 7, Murray; 8, Govan. LIMIT CREST OR C.B., £2 10s. (18): 1, Dewar; 2, Dobson; 3, Govan; 4, Lindsay; 5, Donaldson; 6, Blyth; 7, Lawson; 8, Macmaster. 41 (20): 1, Young; 2, McClement; 3, Edwards; 4, Henderson; 5, Dobson; 6, 7, Mason; 8, Mills.

THE YORKSHIRES AND A.O.V. Judge, Mr. J. F. Dewar.

The Yorkshire classes were not so well filled as we would like to have seen them, but what was lacking in numbers was made up for in quality, some grand yellow and buff cocks being staged; the team belonging to Messrs. Ogden Bros. were gems all over, and grandly staged. We would like to ask where were all the breeders of this variety in Scotland; surely there must have been something wrong when they had such a poor entry. Mr. J. F. Dewar, who placed the eards, did so to the satisfaction of all present.

CL. OR TKD. YELL. CK. (14): 1, sp., Ogden Bros., cl., rare col., lovely rounded head, neat body, stands well up on leg, grand qual.; 2, Hirst, grand size, good head and front, beaten col., bit inclined to cross wings; 3, Dyson, lovely head, wings, and tail, rare qual. feather, well placed; 4, Morrison, grand type and qual., shade thin on front, straight as a lancer; 5, Smead; 6, sp., Smead; 7, Towers; 8, Dykes. BUFF (10): 1, Ogden Bros., rare length and subs., nicely rounded front and back, Al wing carr., neat tail; 2, Buchanan, fine length, gets well up on leg, good head, wing and tail carr.; 3, Dyson, good head, neck, and shoulders, well fitted back, nice col. and qual.; 4, Hirst, grand type and qual., well up on leg, rare pos.; 5, Heggie; 6, Dimcock; 7, Dykes; 8, Crawhall. VARIEG. OR GRN. YELL. CK. (9): 1, sp., Heggie, mkd. both eyes, neck and wings, grand pos. on perch, teaming with col. and qual.; 2, Morrison, similar markings, capital head and neck, nicely laid on wings, neat tail; 3, Towers, lovely cinn. mkd., straight as a reed, grand col. and qual., neatly rounded head and body; 4, Dykes, mkd. cheek, neck and wings, fine length of side, inclined to cross tips; 5, Thomas; 6, Brown; 7, Thomas; 8, Heggie. BUFF (5): 1, Towers, mkd. left side of neck and both wings, grand round head, line neck and shoulders, well braided wings; 2, Thomas, mkd. eyes and wings, rare qual. feather, neat round head, grand body, capital qual.; 3, Heggie, mkd. right eye and both wings, gets well up on leg, neat wings and tail; 4, Morrison, mkd. both eyes and right wing, fine head, wings and tail; 5, Gray. A.V. YELL. HEN (11): 1, Darlington Bros., mkd. eyes, wings and vent, stylish lady, good head, front, and wing carr.; 2, Ogden Bros., nice cinn. mark., lovely rounded head and body, nice shoulders, Al wing carr.; 3, Walsh, gem of a cl., grand col. and qual., neat waist, fine head, front and wings; 4, Brown, long and stylish, neat head and shoulders, good wings; 5, Buchanan, capital cl., good head, neck and shoulders, fine col.; 6, 8, Heggie; 7, Gray. BUFF (13): 1, Dykes, cl., gem for type and qual., stands well up on perch, wins and no mistake; 2, Crawhall, charming cl., beauty for type and qual., grand head and body; 3, Ogden Bros., grand head and shoulders, lovely front and back, beautiful texture of feather; 4, Thomas, cl., well moulded body, capital wings and tail; 5, Dyson, fowl on back, grand length and pos., good wings and tail; 6, 8, Heggie; 7, Darlington. YELL. CK. 1914 (8): 1, sp., Dykes, cl. yell., lovely waist, grand head and neck, gets well up on leg; 2, Towers, cinn. mkd. right wing, well braided wings, good pipe tail, rare qual. of feather; 3, Cullen, nice type and qual., shade flat on head, fine wing and tail carr.; 4, Brown, neat head, neck and shoulder, mkd. left wing, capital col. and qual.; 5, Crawhall, lovely cl., grand shape and qual., neat pipe tail; 6, 7, Morrison; 8, Heggie. BUFF (9): 1, Crawhall, cl., grand length and subs., full of qual., well up on leg; 2,

Martin, grand head, neck, and shoulder, beautifully braided wings and tail; 3, Walsh, gem of a cl., good round head and front, neat waist, very stylish; 4, Ogden Bros., grand length and subs., neat wings and tail, gem for type and qual.; 5, Gray, fowl on head, well up on leg, fine qual. of feather; 6, Cassa; 7, McLaren; 8, Heggie. HEN, 1914 (16): 1, Ogden Bros., cl. yell., rich col. and qual., gem for type and style; 2, Towers, varieg. buff, gem for type and pos., teaming with qual., lovely wing and tail carr.; 3, 6, Birus, cl. buff, neat head and neck, grand front and back, line pipe tail; 4, no name, evenly mkd. cinn. yell., feathered like wax, lovely pos. and style; 5, Hirst, fowl on right wing, very typical, well braided wings, neat pipe tail; 7, Park; 8, Heggie. NOV. (5): 1, Harrison, lovely mkd. eyes and both wings, buff, line boxey leather, gets well up on leg, perfect wing and tail carr.; 2, Harrison, cl. yell. ck., grand wings and tail carr. Al pos., neat head and waist; 3, Higgins, cl. yell., fails head to winners, but all there for type and qual., nicely braided wings; 4, Higgins, buff line, rare length, full of qual., capital pos.; 5, Craig. A.O.V. CAN. 1, 2, 6, 7, McPhail, all White Canaries, in capital feather and condition; 3, Mills, grand buff cinn. Nor., superb qual. and cond.; 4, Adams, good size and subs., lovely qual. feather, well put down; 5, McGinty, capital yell. cinn., nice size and subs.; 8, Ross and Duncan.

SCOTCH FANCIES AND BELGIANS. Scotch Fancy Judges, Messrs. A. Livingstone and J. Watson (jointly). Belgians, Mr. Dewar.

The Scotch Fancies were staged along the bottom side of the hall, and all exhibits seemed very comfortable, as well they might be, as they were attended to with every care and consideration by Messrs. W. Allen, A. Paterson, M. Petrie and Co., a line tribute to our national bird to have such champion attendants. The exhibits here were of a very high class order throughout, some real champions were amongst the winners. Novice classes contained many fine birds. Selling classes were very heavy, and some good birds amongst the tickets brought good money at the sales. One regrettable feature was that the judges decided to disqualify a few birds in this section for trimming, and rightly so, as this sorely needed the attention of judges, if others will only follow and keep at it, the variety will be much strengthened. In our opinion some others had been cleaned out in neck, and although kept back in the prize list would have been better on the top shelf.

Belgians were fairly well represented, but some of them seemed to show the Scotch Fancy cross. Some grand shouldered birds were on view, and came in for a lot of attention from the Scotch Fancy breeders, who are always keen on one to improve stock. On the whole the judges did right well.

CL. YELL. CK. (8): 1, Black, good one, fine weight, great size, subs., drive, shoulder, and reach, handles well; 2, Carson, similar, fine length, good side, fails a wee bit in shoulder; 3, Simpson, grand size, shoulder, drive, and subs., shows signs of age now; 4, Curtis, fine shoulder, drive, and action; 5, sp, Edgar; vhc, he, Pringle; c, Allan. YELL. PIED (7): 1, Allan, hard up, decided drive, prominent shoulder, rare action and side; 2, sp, Edgar, a little smaller but nice and free, good shoulder, fine side and wing; 3, Chapman, more size, must have pressed, hard up, decided drive, prominent shoulder, well placed on legs; 4, sp, Menzies, line position, very nervy; 5, Thornton; vhc, Service. TKD. (4): 1, sp, Rodger, good one, splendid shoulder, length of side and wing, great subs., reach and action; 2, Keith, a shade lighter build, somewhat lucky to beat; 3, McLennan, grand size, fine shoulder, drive, and subs., going strong when we handled him. GR. (4): 1, McNeiven, yell., grand one all over, great weight subs., shoulder, drive, and length of reach; 2, Chapman, buff, shade more length, grand pos., takes a fine pos., follows close; 3, Henderson, shade smaller, fine action, drive, and shoulder; 4, Simpson. CL. BUFF (12): 1, sp, best in section, Carson, well deserved the honour, great size, prominent shoulder, held well up, great length of neck, neat always in the right position, handles like a champion, and is one; 2, McLennan, similar build, same massive shoulder, well filled, great drive, length of side and subs., very ready to respond; 3, sp, Crosbie, fine thickness, shoulder, drive, and action; 4, sp, Strathearn, fine shoulder, size, and length of neck; 5, sp, Allan, just a shade thin, but all there for shoulder position, and drive; vhc, McNeiven; he, Pringle; c, Craig. BUFF PIED (7): 1, McLennan, line size, good side, finely filled shoulder, nicely turned, handles well; 2, sp, Anderson, a shade shorter, nice shoulder, free action; 3, Henderson, better in size, but slow to respond; 4, Dewar; 5, Allan, we liked for 2nd place, fine size, good shoulder, grand back, good drive and very ready; vhc, Livingstone; he, Strathearn. CL. YELL. HEN (5): 1, sp, McLennan, grand size, prominent shoulders, held well down, line length of side, well placed legs, a good one; 2, sp, Archibald, fine size, good side, shoulder, drive, and action; 3, Anderson, shows more cross, fine shoulder, drive, and side; 4, McNeiven, fine size, inclined to carry her head too high; 5, Dewar. YELL. PIED HEN (7): 1, Simpson, nice depth of chest, shoulder, drive, and action; 2, Rodger, shade smaller, fine mover, very nervy; 3, Black, more subs., shoulder and drive; 4, McNeiven, good size, inclined to be plainer on top; 5, Menzies, fine subs. and shoulder; vhc, McLennan; he, Cook. TKD. (8): 1, Carson, grand size, fine shoulders, well filled, good drive, nice subs., side, and circle; 2, Crosbie, yell., fine size, good shoulder, drive, and action; 3, sp, Craig, buff, good weight, shoulder, drive, and length of reach; 4, sp, Chapman, yell., nice one, fine action, shoulder and drive, very ready to respond; 5, sp, Simpson; vhc, Cook; he, Mitchell; c, Stewart. GREEN (3): 1, Allan, yell., grand size, great shoulder, fine subs., handles well; 2, Menzies, buff, smaller, fails shoulder and drive; 3, Smart, more shoulder and drive, but thin. BUFF (6): 1, sp, McLennan, rare size, fine shoulder, held well up, head in right pos., fine size and subs.; 2, Paterson, fine size shoulder, fails a little in drive; 3, sp, Menzies, small but very neat, rare action, always ready; 4, Strathearn, more size, fine shoulder, drive, and subs.; 5, sp, Kean, good one in her day, shows signs of age; vhc, McNeiven. BUFF PIED (8): 1, Allan, fine weight, nice well filled shoulder, rare drive and action; 2, Henderson, smaller, very stylish; 3, Crosbie, sweet mover, always ready; 4, sp, Henderson, fine pos.; 5, Strathearn; vhc, Paterson; he, Pringle; c, Chapman. NOV. CK. (9): 1, sp, Black, nice size, fine shoulder, drive and action; 2, 5, sp, Weston, buff, fails shoulder, fine mover; 3, Redger, better shoulder, but unsteady; 4, sp, Cockburn, buff pied, fine size, shoulder and drive; vhc, Campbell; he, Strathearn; c, Brown. HEN (6): 1, 2, Rodger, leader buff pied, takes fine pos., nice shoulder, drive, and reach; 2, similar build, not much between them; 3, Cockburn, cl. yell., fine size, fails shoulder; 4, Strathearn, buff pied, nice shape, fine shoulder, drive and action; 5, Weston. SELL. YELL. CK. (11): 1, 5, Paterson; 2, Graham; 3, Edgar; 4,

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Miller, vhc, Spittal; he, Fairington; c, Robertson. HEN (9): 1, Hogg; 2, Rigby; 3, 4, Curtis; 5, Millar; vhc, Robertson; he, c, Hinchison. BUFF CK. (22): 1, Patterson; 2, Robertson; 3, Fairington; 4, Lile; 5, McLennan; vhc, Curtis; he, Ramsay; c, Hogg. HEN (13): 1, Ramsay; 2, Kell; 3, Buchanan; 4, Hogg; 5, Edgar; vhc, Robertson; he, Douglas; c, Millar. BELGIANS, Judge, Mr. J. F. Dewar: Old Birds (9): 1, sp, Gordon, grand bull hen, large prominent shoulder, head always in right position; 2, McNiven, yellow, more subs., line shoulder and drive; 3, vhc, Butts, line shoulder, well held in position, handles well; 4, 5, Stewart, longer in side and shows more cross; he, Jardine; c, Kean. 1911 (6): 1, McNiven, grand shoulder, drive, and subs., handles well; 2, Butts, similar build, line pos.; 3, Buchanan, claimed catalogue price, line shoulder and drive; 4, Butts; 5, Russell; vhc, Hinchison.

THE BORDER FANCIES.

Borderers were in our opinion the second best feature of the show. Although our love of the "wee gem" stands second to none, premier place must here be given to the crest section, clear were a handsome lot, and the quality we thought the finest yet seen at this great fixture. Mr. H. Bennett turned out a gem of a bull hen, which won B.F.C.C. medal and also best in section. If ever perfection dwelt in every feather which goes to make up a perfect Border, her mantle has fallen on this exquisite hen. Marks were also first class, and the leaders in all classes were birds of distinct eye markings, with type and qual. combined, special mention may be made of Mr. Rintoul, of Methil, Fife, a young fancier, whose birds were turned out to perfection, and proved a great credit to him. The ticked class was also a good one, and contained the cream of the season's breeding. Greens were a treat to look at and handle. Colour, pencilling, and type is gradually coming more into vogue in this variety. Special mention might be made of Messrs. A. and W. Thomson's young yellow green cock, which we have described as the best youngster seen out, he won special best in section. Another very nice yellow hen won the Novice B.F.C.C. medal for Mr. Montgomery. Cinnamon turned out very strongly and some good ones were on view. Mr. Wilson won the medal for greens and cinnamons with a gem of a yellow. Many birds in the variety are showing a tendency to length of wing, and breeders have need to pay attention to the fault.

Mr. J. Patterson's Classes.

CL. YELL. CK. (13): 1, G. Bennet, grand col., extra well put down, splendid feather of beautiful qual., rare type, jaunty carr.; 2, Hislop, similar build, line col., type, and symmetry, fails a little in flight; 3, Denholm, extra sweet head, jaunty carr., fine col. and cond., scarcely ready in head; 4, Dods, fine col. and qual., with a little more style he would be a hard nut to crack; 5, Auld, grand head and front, nice col. and qual.; vhc, Smith; he, Birhan; c, Voy. HEN (22): good class; 1, runner up for clear medal, G. Bennet, little beauty, in the pink, beautiful head, line neck, grand back, wing, and tail carr., rare col., qual. and cond.; 2, 5, H. Bennet, not much between them, put down like wax, splendid type and charming movement; 3, Smart, well known hen, often described, but fails to-day in cond.; 4, Craig, another good one, beautiful sound head, finely balanced throughout, just a shade slow in movement; vhc, sp, Brooking; he, Aitchison; c, Voy. CL. BUFF CK. (15): 1, Craig, real model throughout, put down in splendid trim, grand deep col., level throughout, splendid col. of feather, true model; 2, H. Bennet, as good in every point, but just a wee fat on back; 3, Hamilton, another good one, rare qual., fine wing and side, handles well; 4, 5, G. Bennet, another nice pair, turned out to perfection, just a shade unsteady; vhc, Dods; he, Halliday; c, Potts. HEN (15): 1, sp, B.F.C.C. medal, sp, best in section, H. Bennet, beauty all over, shining like silk, not a feather out of place, nice movement, jaunty carr., as finely arrayed as a duchess, and seems to know it; 2, 4, G. Bennet, sweet one, put down by a master hand, rich, pure col. throughout, and fine qual. of feather, typical in every respect; 3, Craig, grand col., fine qual. and feather, very typical, grand back and wing, just a little sciled in neck; 4, another gem, fine col., qual. and pos., tips a wee bit at times; 5, Hughes, grand head and front, fine wing, fails a little in condition; vhc, H. Bennet; he, sp, Rintoul; c, Potts. EVEN MKD. (2): 1, Rintoul, bull, grand type and qual. throughout, splendid marking, nice movement, style, and carr.; 2, ideal eye markings, nice wings, fine feather, fails head to winner; 3, Baxter, yell., a wee one, but fine col. and qual.; 4, Hamilton, bull, shade strong in neck, but line markings, col., and qual.; 5, Schooler, yell., fine type, good wings; vhc, sp, Arnot; c, Hay; we, Duncan, Spence, former mkd. between wings, latter broken in eye. UNEVEN YELL. CK. (13): 1, H. Bennet, grand five point, ideal eyes and wing markings, line col., qual., type, jaunty carr.; 2, 3, Nicholson, leader well known cinnamon, black, looking well, but met his match to-day; 3, mkd. eyes, wing and check, good one, well put down; 4, Brown, mkd. eyes, wings, and side of head, line type, col., and pos.; 5, Rintoul, sweet col., fine shape throughout; vhc, Hughes; he, sp, Craig; c, Bertram. HEN (11): 1, sp, runner up Nov. medal, Aitchison, grand three-point, both eyes, one wing, fine jaunty carr., good col., type, and qual.; 2, Morland, three-point cinnamon, splendid cord., fine feather throughout, grand head and neck, handles well; 3, Denholm, five point, fine eyes, light on wing, fine type, shad. cap in front; 4, Nicholson, lightly mkd. on eye, fine wings, shade soft and open in feather; 5, c, Crabb and Finlayson, three-point, fails cond., only grand type; vhc, Calderwood; he, Duncan. UNEVEN BUFF CK. (13): 1, sp, best mark, Rintoul, grand type, col., and qual., finely brazed wings, grand back and sweetly model'd throughout, nearly even, broken in front of eyes; 2, Auld, grand type, col., and qual., follows close, only fails in markings; 3, H. Bennett, old warrior, feeling his years a bit now, but all there when warmed up; 4, Craig, grand stamp, head mkd. eyes and wings, good col., fine type; 5, Schooler; vhc, sp, Calderwood; he, Wudraut; c, Pearson. HEN (14): 1, Spence, three-point, fine eyes, nice pos., and jaunty head carr., line head, back, and well laid on wings; 2, Skeldon, mkd. eyes, head and wings, fine texture of feather, grandly made throughout; 3, Craig, mkd. eyes, wings, and check, fails a little in head carr., but has col. and qual.; 4, Aitchison, similar build, fine type, heavier mkd.; 5, Rintoul, grand type and symmetry, fails cond.; vhc, Michie; he, Pearson; c, Findlay. TKD. (25): champion class throughout, many sets of winners could have been found: 1, H. Bennet, grand bull, splendid head, grand free movement of neck, well rounded back and front, jaunty carr., rich, pure, and level in col., exquisite cond.; 2, 3, G. Bennet, leader yell. 3rd buff, two beauties and no mistake, yell. only taking preference in mixed class, put down in the pink; 4, Craig, yell., fails a wee bit in head, finely made otherwise, rich level col., fine texture of feather; 5, Gillies, buff, grand head, line weight, well brazed wings and tail; vhc, sp, Morland; he, Halliday; c, Denholm. SELL. CK. (10): 2nd, grand class and some cheap ones here, and in the hen class. Many a strain has been formed

From a worse stock, nearly all the winners found new owners, and we wish them every success: 1, Denholm; 2, G. Brown; 3, G. Bennet; 4, Crabb and Findlayson; 5, H. Bennet; vhc, Auld; he, Craig; c, Rintoul. HEN (14): 1, 3, H. Bennet; 2, G. Brown; 4, Halliday; 5, Crabb and Findlayson; vhc, he, G. Bennet; c, Spittal.

Mr. J. Johnston's Classes.

VELL. GR. CK. (28): 1, sp, best gr., Thomson, rare type, splendid head, neck, back, wing, and tail carr., ideal in markings, col., and thigh pencilling; 2, vhc, Middleton, grand col. and p-neilling, jaunty carr.; 3, Forrest, better modelled throughout, line head, type, and position, fails a little in grand col.; 4, Hamilton, another good one, finely modelled throughout, good col. and markings; 5, Montgomery, nice one, fails in condition only; he, Dods; c, Smith. HEN (24): 1, sp, Nov. B.F.C.C. medal, Montgomery, grand hen, fine col., extra well arrayed pencilling above and below, grand ground col., back, and wing; 2, Lambly, good one, better in head, but lacks the line finish of winner; 3, Affleck, a wee bit shorter made, line head, good back, best of col., type, and markings; 4, Middleton, more length, fine pos. and style, shade dry in feather; 5, Greenwell, grand one, only a shade light below; vhc, Parker; he, Little; c, Brown. BUFF CK. (19): 1, Middleton, grand shape throughout, fine weight, rare sound col., pencilling, cond., and symmetry; 2, Blakey, shade heavy in head, but extra fine col., pencilling, qual., and type; 3, sp, Bennet cup, Dods, nice col., markings well arrayed above and below, nice style and pos.; 4, Reid, shade darker in body col. and touched with bronze on wing, fine pencilling, and thigh markings; 5, Affleck, grand shape, fine model throughout, good pencilling and sound col.; vhc, Middleton; he, Montgomery; c, Hamilton. HEN (20): 1, Montgomery, line pos., good shape, sound and level in col., just a shade faulty on head; 2, Baxter, a wee bit larger, line pos., style, and symmetry, good col., pencilling and qual.; 3, Hamilton, grand stamp, extra line in back and thigh markings, good col., type, and qual.; 4, Whitelaw, stylish, very free in movement, good head, fine col. and markings; 5, Montgomery, fine col., pencilling, and qual.; vhc, Parker; he, Hocking; c, Smith. CINN. YELL. CK. (13): 1, B.F.C.C. medal, 5, Wilson, grand col., fine qual. and pencilling, rare good head, well put down; 2, Honston, a shade softer in feather, line style, col., and qual.; 3, Whitelaw, fails a wee bit in col., but fine type, markings, style, and taper; 4, Murray, fine type, good sound col.; vhc, Buglass; he, Baxter; c, Arnot. HEN (13): 1, Murray, grand sound col., line markings and qual.; 2, 3, Wilson, again two nice ones, little between them, former better col. and a shade more style; 4, Buglass, grand type, fine pos., style, and type, a shade dark; 5, Honston, good head, line back, and thigh marks; vhc, Whitelaw; he, Blackie; c, McColl. BUFF CK. (14): 1, vhc, Wilson, grand col., true Border all over, fine weight, splendid col. and qual. of feather, one we admired; 2, Hamilton, follows close on every point, scarcely so much swagger, fine col. and qual.; 3, Cramond, good one for col. and markings, style, and qual., inclined to tip wings; 4, Lambie, better in wing carr., line col. and markings, scarcely so much qual.; 5, Whitelaw, fine type and markings, looks a shade soiled; he, Gentleman; c, Bennet. HEN (8): 1, Hamilton, little beauty, line head, nice back, wing, and tail carr., sound and level in col., jaunty carr.; 2, 3, Wilson, equally good in most points, not so nice in wing, but rare good quality of feather; 4, Buglass, fine head, back, wing, and tail, fine col. and markings, a shade dry in feather; 5, Whitelaw, fine col. and pencilling; vhc, Forrest; he, Arnot; c, Lambie. NOV. BORD. CK. (19): 1, Banks, grand yell. uneven, turned out to perfection, fine col. p.s., qual., type, and markings; 2, Watson, buff, fine head, nice col., cond., and qual.; 3, 4, Hislop, buff, uneven, fine frontal, good col. and qual., inclined to drop tail; 4, yell., better pos., line qual. and col.; 5, Watson, buff, fine col. and qual. feather, like a hen; vhc, Longmore; he, May; c, Aitchison. HEN (20): 1, Watson, grand head, line weight, good col. and cond., nicely brazed wings; 2, Sloan, yell., must have pressed, fine col., pos., type, and qual.; 3, Napier, uneven cinnamon, mark., good col., extra fine feather, col. and qual.; 4, Longmore, green, fine col. and markings, down in type; 5, Gillies, clear buff, good head, line movement; vhc, c, Hislop; he, May. SELL. GR. or CINN. (12): 1, H. Bennet; 2, Campbell; 3, Reid; 4, Affleck; 5, he, Buglass; vhc, Lawson and Son; c, Arnot.

THE MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Judge, Mr. P. McQuiston.

Mules and Hybrids were hardly up to the usual numbers, but many of the winners were very well-known, and "champion" birds of their kind. CL. TKD. ETC. (9): 1, 2, sps, Dewar shield, 6, Martin and Archer, well-known clear Linnet-Canary Mule, "Perfection," in grand col. and good feather; 2, c, Maddison, cl. Gold-Can., very smart and neat, well carried wings, nice feather; 3, Lawrence, cl. Goldie, rather more size, but hardly so tight feather, good shape; 4, Heggie, cl. Greenf. Mule, capital col., good head, wings; 5, Lamb; 7, Oldham. VAR. CAN. MULE (9): 1, 2, Martin and Archer, eyes, neck, and wing mkd. Goldf. Can. leading, a fine specimen, 2 neck mkd. buff Greenf. Can., in grand order, hold shape, grand head and wings; 3, 4, Maddison, neat yell. wing mkd. Goldie-Can., full of qual., good shape, very neat, 4 neck mkd. buff Linnet Mule, of nice size and good feather; 5, Lamb; 6, Mackie; 7, Connochie; wrong class, Parlett, "White Rose." GOLDF. CAN. DK. (10): 1, spl, Crone, well-known winner, one of the finest Mules staged, grand size and shape, lovely bloom; 2, Gilchrist, another big winner, still in grand cond. and rare feather; 3, Roy, plenty of size, good shape, hardly so tight in feather; 4, Lamb, tighter feather, good size and capital shape, nice col.; 5, Nicoll, 6, Rollo; 7, Wilson; 8, Carson. LINNET-CAN., DK. (10): 1, Duncan, "Highland Leader," a grand one, great size and shape, lovely col., extra grand feather, good head and wings; 2, Crone, very close up, short thickest shape, a big winner, very good col., and in grand bloom; 3, Craig, not quite the size of leaders, but a good one, neat shape, and good col.; 4, Marlin, capital col. and feather, finer drawn, neat head and wings; 5, Wilson, stouter shape, good size, hardly so rich col.; 6, Kennaway; 7, A. Watt; 8, Martin and Archer. GREENF. CAN. (10): 1, Parlett, old champion, marvellous col. and feather, still keeping a grand shape; 2, Roy, capital size, nice head and neck, good wings, rich col., and good qual.; 3, Whitney and Son, rich yell., silky feather, not quit the col. of winners; 4, Finnie, very similar to 3, grand qual. of feather, hardly so stout; 5, Dewar, very rich col., grand shape; 6, Adams; 7, Lawrence; 8, Wilson. A.O. CAN. MULE, except Can.-Bullf. (9): 1, Craig, buff Siskin-Can., capital size, well mkd., neat wings, good head; 2, Goodall, smart Redpoll-Can., rich col., line feather, neat head; 3, Roy, Siskin-Can., triff smaller, but grand col., and well faced flanks; 4, Crone, Siskin-Can., nice head, good wings; 5, Heron, good sized Twee-Can., nice feather; 6, Marlin; 7, Rollo; 8, Calder. DK. BULLF. HYB. (10): 1, 2, Crone, the champion Canary-Bullie leading, last year's shield winner, marvellous col. and qual., grand head and back, 3 good Redpoll-Bullf., neat

shape, rich col., grand breast and feather; 2, 7, Wilson, Can.-Bullf., not quite the size or col. of winner, but a grand bird; 4, Oldham, good Goldie-Bullie, rich blaze, good head and nice wings; 5, Parlett, Can.-Bullie, not quite the size of winners; 6, Fyfe; 8, Allan. A.O.V. HYB. (11): 1, spl, Martin and Archer, noted Greenf.-Chaff., in rare feather and cond.; 2, Wilson, another grand Greenf.-Chaffinch, equal in size and shape, hardly so tight in feather; 3, Lamb, neat Goldf. Siskin, beautifully mkd., grand col., nice head and wings; 4, Whitney and Son, neat shap'd Goldfinch-Greenfinch, capital feather, good size; 5, A. Wilson, buff Goldf. Siskin, good shape and feather, well faced; 6, Fyfe; 7, Cranna; 8, Campbell. NOV. MULE OR HYB.: 1, 8, Connolly, eye tkd. buff Goldie-Can., very smart, good size, shape, and qual.; 2, 5, Sharp, buff Greenf.-Mule, grand size, good feather, 5 Goldf. Can., good size; 3, 6, Alexander, real good Goldf. Bullf., good bold blaze, nice shape, grand feather; 4, Levick, eyes and wings mkd. Goldf. Can., smart shape, grand feather; 7, Roxburgh.

THE BRITISH BIRDS.

Judges, Messrs. P. McQuiston and J. Livingstone.

The British section was down a bit on past years, only averaging 15 per class, but of course this was only to be expected, owing to so many exhibitors having rallied round the flag, and being unable to give their birds the necessary attention. Quality throughout was good, and here and there an outstanding bird was noted, especially in the Bullfinch, Twee, and Ted Siskin classes. The winners here stood by themselves for merit, as did also the winning Meadow Bunting. Colour effect was spoiled a bit, through the hall being artificially lighted all day, giving the Goldfinches and Greens a faded appearance. The judges, Messrs. McQuiston and Livingstone, were happy in their selections, except in a very few cases, which were inevitable in such a task. Fanciers were out in strong force, and we were pleased to meet many well-known judges and exhibitors, a specially large company being up from Newcastle-on-Tyne. The attention given the exhibit was up to the usual Scottish National standard, the stewards being untiring in their labour to make the birds comfortable and happy.

GOLDF. (23): 1, sp, Wallace, pink of cond., beautiful depth of col. and polish in a blaze, absolutely perfect in outline underneath, and extending well back over forehead to considerably behind the eye, true British type, perfect size, just a wee shade narrow in skull; 2, Guthrie and Son, line up-standing, nothing behind winner except in depth of blaze, in which he just loses in comparison; 3, Oldham, shade smaller, perfect tanning, smaller face and head than leaders, perfect cond.; 4, Conkie and Loudon, our choice for 3rd, grand chubby type, very full head and neck, brilliant col. in face, perfect tannings, steady to a degree, looks just an over-year bird, will make a champion; 5, Cranna; vhc, E. G. Henderson; he, Almond; c, Skyes; unnoticed, No. 23, very fine Goldfinch, hard lines. BULLF. (16): 1, Dr. Wilson, easy win, just a wee bit too much leg, which may be due to high cond., otherwise perfect larg, well cut, jet cap, broad curving breast, in full springtime bloom; 2, McGregor, Gateshead winner, in better company to-day, fails size and col. to leader, grand shaven all over, splendid thighs, tight as possible, true Britisher; 3, Fairgrieve, claimed, similar to 2nd, only losing in col. in front and density of cap, shows distinct wing bar, very steady; 4, Woods, typical, shows light ring round bib, very full skull; 5, G. G. Henderson, rather large for this class; vhc, Taylor; he, Campbell; c, Peden and Ashcroft. LINNET, H.M. (15): 1, Dr. Wilson, grand bird of his own type, proper Yorkie, could do with more body and weight, very distinct breast markings, extended right across front, splendid soft col. on front, and rich back, carrying mass of work, shows pure flights; 2, Allan, clubbier, good breadth across front, very full head, but dark in breast col., or might have beaten leader, stands like a soldier; 3, Oldham, similar type to 2, grand front, clove full of work, carried down to tail; 4, Mitchellson, grand soft col. on front, well pencilled all over, showing pure whites on wings and tail, with a bit more size would take some stopping; 5, Hilson; vhc, Messer; he, Simpson; c, Fairhurst. F.M. (16): 1, Neilson, good win, lovely feather and cond., steady as a rock, very profuse pencilling, grand size and type; 2, Skyes, fine wedge shaped body, steady, grand front, full of work, very full head, well pencilled over crown and back, grand wing carr., pure in flights; 3, vhc, Allan, after winner's stamp, smaller head, put down in faultless order, best front in class, purest ground col., very evenly pencilled, good chubby type, nice size; 4, Parlett, Gatehead winner in new hands, fine bird, come thought house-mounted, but shows moons on breast when blown, might have gone up a bit, right type, good size, splendid front, and an abundance of small pencilling right across, should make a sterner next year; 5, Conkie and Loudon, another gem, very large, full head, grand wings and tail, splendid front, correct col.; he, Dalton; c, Lloyd-James. BRAMBLE AND CHAFF. (17): Good class; 1, 5, 6, Skyes, leader gem of a Bramble, very rich col. on breast, carried very far down, distinct head and mantle, back a mass of spangles, profuse flank markings, steady as a rock, a champion all over; 2, Henderson, Chaffinch, monster for size, great whites on wings, deep rich col. on front, fine blue poll and deep bar; 3, Parlett, Bramble, lacks brilliant chestnut of winner, a good one, but meets a sterner to-day, loses in mantle work and spangle; 4, Galloway, Bramble, largest in class, will improve with age, too unsteady to do himself justice; he, Conkie and Loudon; c, Allan. GREENF. H.M. (19): 1, Nicholson, bouncer for size, great broad skull and full chest, grand wing bars, very soft pure col., wins in a good class, shows for all he is worth; 2, he, Skyes, grand col. and type, could do with more size and breadth of head, shows clear bars; 3, Fairhurst, nicely fed, rare cobby broad-headed type, grand close feather, nice style and cond.; 4, Lawrence, similar type, rare broad wing bars, takes good pos.; 5, Adamson; vhc, Aitken; c, Campbell; No. 15, unnoticed, seem'd good enough for 1st, but was rough when judged, probably through bathing. F.M. (16): 1, vhc, Gentleman, large, excellent col. and shape, staged in good order; 2, he, McLennan, beauty, great size, teeming with col., very massive front, fine bold head, splendid wings and tail, might have won, and no one grumbled, should mount a top sawyer; 3, Nicolson, same stamp as winner, good size; 4, c, Skyes, back in size, but all there for pure col., shown in beautiful cond.; 5, Weir. SISKIN, FED (11): 1, Nicolson, stands by himself, fed to perfection, profuse front and flank marks, very pure eye and wing bars, great size, cap perfection in size, a credit to his owner; 2, Carr, Gateshead winner, beaten to-day, very clearly defined markings, beautiful col., fails cap to leader; 3, Martin and Archer, well shown, bit clouded in markings, very good cap; 4, Calder, good size, splendid cap, grand chubby type, very bold head and front; 5, Cranna; vhc, Fyfe; he, Mason; c, Southern. NON-FED (7): 1, Nicolson, exceptionally large and well mkd., enormous bib, very distinct, grand broad cap, a beauty; 2, Brownlie and Cook, a

bit behind winner for size, but a gem for col., most perfect bib and cap; 3, Arnot, well up in size, flank and frontal markings, just a shade grey ground on flanks, staged in beautiful cond.; 4, Craig; 5, White; vhc, Calder; he, McGregor and Boyd. MEALY REDPOLL OR TWITE (11): 1, Conkie and Loudon, gem, and no mistake, one of the best Twites seen for a long time, giant for size, pencilled to perfection, on grand ground col., very bold head, best of wing carr. and pos., shows himself to perfection; 2, Oldham, Twite, beaten, but not disgraced, not so rich in col., lacks grand pencilling of leader, nice size; 3, 4, Heul, large Mealy leading, very clear front, jet bib, heavily laced on thighs, 4 Twite, very rich col., loses size to winners; 5, Hope; vhc, Duncan; he, Weir; c, Parlett. LESSER TOLL (23): Strong class; 1, Campbell, beauty for size and col., blaze of col. on front, great bib of dense black, grand cobby type, romps home; 2, Bald, nice size, grand deep col., broad front and fine full head, wants more work on flanks; 3, Watson, another beauty, very thick set, grand bib, rare bright col.; 1, Hope, similar, but rather scarce of work on front of flank; 5, Conkie and Loudon; vhc, Lloyd-James; he, Laird and Matthew; c, Ballantine. YELLOW BUNTING (10): 1, Dalton, large well mkd. head, very distinct check and V mark, rich col., steady and well staged; 2, Camit, smaller body, clear throat, but loses in head marks; 3, Meuzies, nice, little pale on body, loses in regularity of head marks; 4, Lloyd-James, larger, nice natural col., variegation on crown spoils V mark; 5, vhc, Rath; he, Steele; c, Watson. A.O.V. BUNTING (5): 1, Dr. Wilson, most exquisite Meadow, perfect face marks, very pure and soft throat and chest, grand size, in glorious bloom; 2, 5, Henderson, leader Black headed, in lovely feather, grand size, nice soft front and hood, rare and good exhibit; 3, Parlett, very fine Corn, grand size, and beautifully pencilled, steady, again in great order; 4, Russell, another Meadow, not far behind winner, but scarcely in such line cond.; vhc, Skyes; he, McPherson; c, Arnot. SMALL SOFTBILL (8): 1, 4, Taylor, well-known Black Redstart leading, still keeping in good order, quite at home, 4 beautiful Crested Tit, in wonderful condition, very sprightly, finely marked headpiece, well staged; 2, Lewis, grand Blackcap, very dense cap and pure breast col., very large and steady, well paired; 3, Hingley, Whitechat, very steady for this variety, nicely defined hood; 5, Manson, Wheatear; vhc, Lewis; he, Dall; c, E. Taylor. LARGE (11): 1, sp, Skyes, well-known Clough, looking his best to-day, very brilliant head and legs; 2, Topping, we could not find; 3, Bull, very good Hawthorn, perfect bib, rich check and front, grand size; 4, Parlett, Nutcracker, bit rough at thighs, unsteady, gains place on rarity; 5, Greig, Thrush; vhc, Falding, Hawthorn; he, Godfrey, Waxwing; c, Crone. HEN BULLF. (19): 1, Bald, smart lady, grand chubby type, very rich front, jet cap, well spread back; 2, Cranna, equal winner, only fails size of cap; 3, McPherson, grand hen, rare good size and type, with better breast col., would have won; 4, Wight, another good one, shad. slack and dry in feather, rare cap; 5, Adam; vhc, Greig; he, Strachan; c, Gentleman. A.V. HEN (20): 1, Heul, lovely Corn Bunting, very rich col., rare size, steady, and in great cond.; 2, Millar, another Corn fails size to leader, otherwise equal; 3, Barkess, Bramble, a beauty, very nice distinct hood, rich frontal, great size, well placed; 4, Mason, gem of a Linnet, could win in a cock class, finely pencilled front, on a rich ground, steady and well shown; 5, Henderson; vhc, Welsh; he, Skyes; c, Taylor. Softbills took a back seat here. ALBINO (10): 1, Martin and Archer, well-known clear Yellowhammer, shown in faultless condition, loses nothing by age, still the most perfect Albino on the bench, very popular win, greatly admired; 2, Fraser, pied Chaffinch, taking exhibit, nicely marked wings, pure white front; 3, Whishaw, beautiful Cinnamon Redpoll, very soft col., well worth his place; 1, Taylor, Thrush, almost white, grand size; a little rough; 5, Mitchell, White Sparrow, too wild to show himself, good exhibit; vhc, Calder; he, Whishaw; c, Watt. NOV. L.V. SMALL (10): 1, Ross, Corn Bunting, grand size, good head, well mkd.; 2, Sharp, Greenie, bouncer for size and col., rare wings and tail, staged at; 3, Francis, Goldf., genuine Britisher, good square cut under blaze, richly tanned and mooned; 4, c, Alexander, Bullf., cock, thick set, good breast col., jet cap, pure bars, a right good Bullie; 5, Sadler; vhc, Strachan; he, Ritchie. A.O.V. (4): 1, Yule, Hawthorn, grand size and cond., fine russet check, well-shaped bib, wins easily; 2, Stoddart, Hawthorn, fails col. to winner, equal other points; 3, Robinson, we missed; 4, Porteous, Waxwing, good exhibit, usual cond. and bloom, showing fine tips.

THE FOREIGN BIRDS.

Judge, Mr. C. Skyes.

Foreign birds were a very choice selection, and were again in charge of Miss Peddie-Waddell, who looked well after their wants. GOLDF. (15): 1, Roy, rich, deep, clean cut face, grand body col., excellent wings, neat buttons; 2, Adams, very expansive blaze, but not quite the depth of col. of 1st, well tanned, nice wings; 3, Allan, capital shape, grand col. and feather, bold buttons, rich blaze; 4, J. Henderson, nice size and shape, rich deep blaze, not quite so richly tanned, good wings; 5, Carson, smaller, but very neat and good qual.; 6, Jack; 7, Guthrie and Son; 8, Sadler. BULLF. (6): 1, Woods, very rich, deep col., grand cap and wings, good back; 2, Yule, equal in size and shape, hardly so bright on breast, good wings; 3, Adams, clean shape, well cut away behind perch, neat wings, good cap, hardly so big as leaders; 4, Carson, grand hen, very nice size and shape; lovely cap and wings; 5, Welsh. PARRAKEETS, ETC. (6): 1, Miss Peddie Waddell, Red-collared Lorikeets, in beautiful feather and cond.; 2, R. Nisbet, Crimson-wing Parakeet, beautiful head and neck, rich coloured breast, good wings; 3, Arnot, Black-faced Lovebirds, in good order; 4, Kirkwood, Blue Mountain Lorikeets, in excellent plumage; 5, J. Winter; 6, Mrs. Gerrard. SHORT-TAIL PARROTS, ETC. (3): 1, Jameson and Johnson, Ceram Lory, grand front and good wings, lovely feather and cond.; 2, Miss Peddie Waddell, neat Senegal Parrot, in fine order; 3, Ditchfield, well-known Green Amazon, looking a bit soft to-day. COMBASSOUS, ETC. (7): 1, 3, 4, 6, Arnot, Cordon Blues, Combassou, Gold-breasts, and Zebra Waxbill, all in the pink of cond.; 2, 7, J. Winter, White Java Sparrows and Cerdon Blues, in faultless order; 5, Barris. A.O. SEED-EATING (10): 1, 4, 5, Arnot, Jack'son's Whydah, Paradise Whydah, and African Weaver, leader shown in good order, nice tail, 4 also in perfect feather, the Weaver not yet in full col.; 2, Almond, lovely Rainbow Bunting, in faultless order, and grand feather; 3, Younger, good pair Black-headed Goldfinch, grand breasts and wings; 6, 7, 8, Miss Peddie Waddell, A.O.S. (9): 1, 2, 4, 5, Arnot, pair Sunbirds leading, the cock in grand feather and cond.; 2, Yellow-winged Sugar-bird, won last year, still in rare bloom, 4 good Golden-fronted Fruit-sucker, capital size and feather, 5 a Chio so Starling; 3, 7, 8, Miss Peddie Waddell, Hill Mynah, Si-ver-cared Mesia, and Necklace Tanager; 6, Yule. GIFT (7): 1, Winter; 2, Barrie; 3, 6, Mantach; 4, Walecek; 5, Elder; 7, Combe.

WISHAW WIPES OUT ITS RECORD.

Wishaw C.B.S. held its annual show on Jan. 1 in the Watson's Hall, a very suitable one, well lit and free from draughts, and kept at a fine temperature. The enterprising management, it is gratifying to report, were rewarded with another record entry, close on 600 birds facing the judges, about 200 increase on last year. The quality too was of exceptional merit. The birds were neatly staged on the three tier principle. There was a large attendance. Owing to the crisis, the committee refrained from collecting specials this year, but this proved in no way a drawback to the entry.

The management was all that could be desired, every one working hard and none did better than the general secretary, Mr. Jas. Watson, who had all arrangements well in hand, and was ably assisted by that popular fancier, Mr. Dan McPhee, and by the excellent Pres., Mr. W. Cringles, and Vice-Pres., Mr. R. Gemmill. Committee: Messrs. R. Richmond, A. Allardice, junr., A. Rae, D. McAllister, J. Nimmo, W. Watson, T. Dickson, Jas. Wright and Jas. Sheen; they were quite jubilant over the splendid entry.

British birds were the mainstay, averaging 16 per class. Goldfinches were particularly strong, numbering 30. Norwich also came up well, averaging 14 per class. In Borders, Mr. J. Campbell (Alexandria) secured B.P.C.C. medal; the novice medal was captured by Mr. J. Nairn. Yorks were a fine lot, and are improving every year. The gate receipts must have been extra, as the hall was packed from end to end. The judges were: Norwich and Crests, Mr. G. Smart (Carmyllie); Brit. and For., Mr. P. McQuiston (Ayr), Mr. Gollan Hislop (Stirling) the remainder, and their awards met with general approval.

NOR. YELL. CK. (15): 1, Chalmers, tkd. head, grand size, qual. and hot col., good head and cheeks, rare deep front, fine cond.; 2, Gallacher, extra good qual., fine size, col. and cond.; 3, Scobbie, good size head and neck, rich col., trifle rough today; 4, Harper, nice head and qual.; 5, Kerr; 6, Picken. BUFF (12): 1, Chalmers, tkd. head, fine size and subs., rare short chubby body, good qual., well mated; 2, Holliday, good size, very fine qual., scarcely the subs.; 3, Stewart, fine head and cheeks, nice short flights and tail, good cond. and style, we liked; 4, Harper, fine fronted bird, neat head, nice flights; 5, Picken; 6, Richmond. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Chalmers, fine short bird, good size, rare head and neck, shade corded in feather, still wins; 2, Pearson, extra good qual., short, nice col., neat head and neck, well up in size, good second; 3, Picken, junr., varieg., rich col., fine head, stylish; 4, Dempster, fine head, neck and front, behind in size only; 5, Stewart; 6, Scobbie. BUFF (4): 1, Gallacher, good size and subs., very fine qual., nice short flights and tail; 2, Hamilton, nice head and qual., could do with more size; 3, Wood, good head and qual., lacks subs.; 4, McAllister. UNFLIG. CK. (21): 1, Harper, Kirkintilloch and Glasgow winner in new hands, stands alone, grand bird, we predicted early in the season a bright future for it; 2, Hutchison, Queen's Park winner, yell. varieg., rare head and neck, good size, rich col. and qual., grand bird; 3, Bisset, cl., grand size, qual. and col., fine head, neat flights, well placed in good company; 4, Kerr, another fine cl. of good size and subs., rare qual. and col., could win at many shows; 5, Naimith, grand one; 6, Harper. HEN (20): 1, Hutchison, cl. yell., Queen's Park winner, grand size and qual., fine head, rare deep front, neat flights; 2, Scobbie, cl. yell., grand hen, close up, fine head and front, excellent qual., col. and cond.; 3, Hamilton, buff varieg., grand size and subs., neat, good head; 4, 5, Bisset, 4th cl. buff, grand stamp and excellent qual., 5th equally as good, fine class. NON-FED. CK. (14): 1, Wood, cl. buff, very fine qual., good size and shape; 2, 6, Naimith, 2nd buff, mtd. head, line showy bird, good front and qual., still, we liked his 6th bird; 3, Showler and Son, cl. yell., fine head, size and subs.; 4, Cosgrove, buff varieg., fine stamp, excellent qual.; 5, Kerr, tkd. buff, some preferred for higher honours, fine head, size and type. HEN (11): 1, Houston, yell. varieg., fine size and subs., excellent qual., col. and cond.; 2, Burt, yell. mtd. wing, fine bold fronted bird, good qual.; 3, Taylor, cl. buff, grand size and subs., short chubby body, we liked this; 4, Kerr, yell., very fine qual., trifle weak in head; 5, Renwick; 6, Cringles. BORD. YELL. CK. (12): 1, Wilson, extra good qual., fine col., well rounded head and body, well braced flights; 2, Patterson, correct weight, best of wings, lovely qual., col. and cond.; 3, sp. Nairn, tkd. neck, shade smaller, but sweetly made, very fine qual., wins B.P.C.C. novice medal; 4, Johnstone, fine qual. and carr., shade thicker; 5, Campbell; 6, Sardilans. BUFF (11): 1, Wilson, fine weighty qual. and carr., best of wings, lovely cond.; 2, Harper, grand grizzle mtd., excellent qual., sweet shape; 3, Jas. Paterson, tkd. on head, lovely qual., neatly made; 4, Krozen; 5, Allardice; 6, John Paterson. YELL. HEN (7): 1, Patterson, rare qual., excellent cond., fine round head and body, best of wings, free and easy carr.; 2, Campbell, sweetly made, lovely qual., well put down; 3, Linton, well moulded, very fine qual., inclines to cross wings at times; 4, 5, Kennedy, same fault, otherwise good; 6, Kilson. BUFF (21): 1, sp., medal best Border, Campbell, gem for shape and qual., rare bloom, splendid wing carr., nice free action, grand cond., wins all the way; 2, Patterson, fine head, excellent qual. and cond., just a shade fuller in body; 3, Taylor, sweetly made, best of wings, nice cond.; 4, Nairn, very fine qual.; 5, Boag; 6, Allardice, sen. YELL. VARIEG. (11): 1, Murray, head and eye mtd., very rich col. and qual., right weight, well braced flights, fine action; 2, Wilson, cinn. mtd., excellent qual. and wing carr., neat, very graceful, scarcely so rich col.; 3, Haddow, varieg., trifle rough in feather, still good; 4, Harper, eyes and wing mtd., very fine qual.; 5, Kennedy; 6, Patterson. BUFF (13): 1, Wilson, eyes and right wing mtd., splendid qual., fine head and body, grand wing carr.; 2, Patterson, almost even mtd., trifle rough in feather today, rare wings, fine head and body; 3, Haddow, even mtd., extra good qual., scarcely so well braced; 4, Kennedy, eyes and wing mtd., splendid cond.; 5, Krozen; 6, Linton. GREEN OR CINN. (17): 1, Harper, green, rare sound col. and type, well laced back, fine wing carr. and cond.; 2, 6, Wilson, 2nd cinn., very pure in col., well packed flights and tail, fine carr., shade stout in body; 3, Reid, green, fine wing carr. and cond., grand col. and qual.; 4, Johnstone, cinn. of good col. and qual., inclines to crouch; 5, Haddow. NOVICE, BORDER (14): 1, Hamilton, eye and wing mtd. yell., fine shape, good qual. and col.; 2, Johnstone, cl. yell., lovely qual. and col., neatly made, free carr.; 3, McPhee, eye and wing mtd. buff, excellent qual., col. and cond., right shape, might be better in wing carr.; 4, Moore, cl. buff, very fine qual. and bloom; 5, Taylor; 6, Lindsay, good class. YORKS. YELL. CK. (16): 1, Ferguson, wing mtd., very rich qual. and col., fine sl. type

well up on leg, grand length and pos., 2, 6, Heggie, behind in length only, fine type and pos., good col. and qual.; 3, Telfer, nice length, good pos., style and cond., fine wings, well braced; 4, Gray, equally as good as any, many preferred for higher honours; 5, Findlay, BUFF (7): 1, 5, Ferguson, 1st wing mtd., rare length and pos., fine close-fitting leather, well up on leg, A1 cond.; 2, Findlay, slim type, stands well on good legs, fine qual., free from frill; 3, Bray, grand qual. and cond., fine pos., scarcely the length of those in front; 4, Park; 5, Heggie. YELL. HEN (6): 1, Findlay, grand length, fine pos., good qual. and col.; 2, 5, Heggie, 2nd right wing mtd., nice length and col., good qual.; 3, Park, wing and neck mtd., grand qual., fine length of wing, good pos., we liked; 4, Gray; 5, Cobb. BUFF (8): 1, 2, Heggie, both nice length, good qual. and pos., free from frill, good wings; 3, Telfer, lifted early, before notes were taken; 4, 5, Findlay; 6, Ferguson. CREST. CK. (2): 1, Watson, grand size and subs., well radiated crest, neat centre; 2, McIntyre, scarcely so massive, very neat crest, well groomed. HEN (5): 1, Sneddon and Watt, varieg., grand size and subs., neat centre, good qual.; 2, 3, Watson, 2nd green crest, well over head, good centre and well groomed, just behind in body, 3rd head varieg., good qual.; 4, Cringles; 5, Nimmo. C.B. CK. (4): 1, 2, Watson, 1st varieg., fine size and subs., grand wide entrance, well lashed, good qual., 2nd almost green, good lashing, not so wide in entrance; 3, Cringles, green, very well lashed; 4, Brown. HEN (5): 1, 3, Nimmo, 1st varieg., good size and subs., fine entrance, well lashed, 3rd almost cl., plenty of feather, of good qual.; 2, Watson, good lashing, fine size and subs.; 4, Sneddon and Watt; 5, McIntyre. BRITISH GOLDF. (30): 1, Marlin, grand all-round, fine, square cut face, rich hue, good tanning, buttons and flights, nice shape and style, still, some preferred; 2, McNeillies and Topping, more size, grand square cut face, in full bloom, rare width, richly tanned body, fine cond.; 3, Reid, F.M., rare rich blaze, square cut, good width, fine size and shape, trifle unsteady; 4, Niven, another fine Finch, very rich face, clean cut, rare shape, could win at many shows; 5, Raine; 6, Lawson and Son, strongest class in show. BULF. (15): 1, Craig, fine size and shape, extra good col. and qual., rare cap, steady, fine cond.; 2, Thomson, shade larger, bold head, very fine col. and qual., scarcely so neat; 3, Metcalfe, fine one, grand cap and bars, better shape than 2nd, shade paler in col., worth its place; 4, McClymont, fine size, shape, cap and bars, very good col., steady; 5, Nicol; 6, McArdle. FINCH. HEN (23): strong class and well mixed; 1, Anderson, grand Hawfinch, fine col. for a hen, rare qual. and sheen, good bold head, clean cut bib, nice size; 2, Smith, Bullie, rare shape and size, fine col. bloom, cap and bars; 3, Gribben, Linnet, fine size, shape and col., full of breast work, good whites; 4, Metcalfe, very rich col., Bramble, fine sheen, steady; 5, Campbell, Greenie, great size, best we have seen for some time; 6, Blackley. LINNET (22), grand class; 1, Nicol, great size, fine shape, col. and cond., prominent flights, might be better on breast; 2, Smart and Main, lighter build and darker tone of col., but grand breast, full of work, rare bloom and cond.; 3, Livingstone, same shape and col. as leader, more breast work, beaten size only; 4, Laing, fine big bird, good col. and cond.; 5, Wilkinson; 6, Lawson and Son. F.M. (21): 1, Dr. McFarlane, grand size, rare thick Nor. type, bold head, well laced front, steady; 2, Gribben, rare breast, well closed in, grand col., size and shape, good whites; 3, Jessie Watson, another fine one, equally well laced, rich col., steady, fine cond., shade darker; 4, Kennedy, as good as any, bold front, well laced, fine size; 5, Trotter; 6, Steele. GREENE. (18): 1, Gentleman, well-known winner, great size and subs., bold head, rare col. and bloom, looking a trifle soft; 2, Nicol, extra good col., qual. and bloom, rare flights, size and cond., C.F. yell.; 3, Linton, old face, getting aged, N.F. buff, rare size and sheen, grand head and cond.; 4, 5, Nimmo, fine pair, 4th better qual. and col., both well put down; 6, Taylor. LESSER REDPOLL (10): 1, Smart and Main, fine size, cobby shape, good head and bib, rich sound col., smart; 2, Craig, better laced, not so good head, rare bloom, well placed; 3, Smith, big and cobby, no bib, good head and cond.; 4, Allan, fine size, shape and col., trifle rough; 5, Williamson; 6, Marlin. F.M. (16): 1, Lambie, rare size and shape, grand col., nicely laced, steady; 2, Marlin, close up, wonderfully well laced, good col. head and bib, rare bloom, behind size only; 3, Watson, good size head and bib, grand bloom; 4, Craig, marvellous col., good bib and lacing; 5, Smart and Main; 6, Thomson. MEALY REDP. OR TWITE (13): 1, Nicol, fine big Twite, very hot col., good whites and cond.; 2, Smart and Main, Twite, cobby shape, sound col., nicely laced breast, good cond.; 3, Johnstone, Mesly, good size and shape, fine front; grand head, well placed; 4, McArdle, Twite, fine col. and cond., well laced, good whites, lacks size only; 5, Trotter; 6, Jardine. SISK. (17), grand class; 1, Raine, non-fed yell., rare col. and cond., grand cap, sweet shape, fine size, nicely laced flanks, no bib, we liked much; 2, Selkirk, buff, extra good qual. and cond., rare size, dense cap, well laced flanks; 3, Johnstone, yell., rare col. and sheen, fine cap; 4, Boag, buff, rare shape, col. and cond., grand cap and lacing, as good as 2nd; 5, Smith, smart, could win at many shows; 6, Gentleman. CHAFF. OR BRAMBLE. (17): 1, Liddell, Bramble, very rich col. and bloom, not the largest, but grand mantle and cond.; 2, Selkirk, more size and subs., fine mantle, behind, col. only; 3, Thomson, grand col. Chaff, rare size and shape, good whites, well placed; 4, Heron and McNairn, Bramble, good size and col., well spangled; 5, Campbell; 6, McPherson. A.O.V. BRIT. (14): 1, Crawford, Waxwing, rare size and col., fine crest and bib, good cond.; 2, McCloy, Hawfinch, not big, but rare qual., col. and cond., grand head and bib; 3, Smith, Redstart, very fine breast col., nice size and cond., well staged, worth its place; 4, Anderson, Chough, fine beak and legs, rare sheen; 5, Sorbie, Yellow Wagtail, hard lines to meet such good company; 6, McPherson. MULES (19): 1,

GLASGOW SCOTCH FANCY ASSOCIATION.

The initial venture of this society, Jan. 2, was an undoubted success. The National Halls, the scene of so many great shows, not being available, a capital substitute was found in the Union Halls, West Nile Street; it is well lighted and provided with everything that would conduce to the comfort of both exhibitors and exhibitors. We have never seen a better collection of Scotch fancies at any show, and the entry of close on 250 birds was considered very good. The fancy at large rallied round the plucky promoters right well, and our Glasgow friends were in raptures of the glorious and exceedingly meritorious exhibits that were placed under their care. The management was admirable. Mr. J. D. Brown, East Kilbride, the much-respected president, his underslady, Mr. W. Robertson, and a very able committee, worked with a will, all giving of their best, while laudable efforts were put forth by Messrs. W. Gray, A. Ferguson, A. M. Baird, and J. A. Stewart, who stewarded during judging, and the energetic and courteous Mr. A. McLaughlan, whose tact and perseverance placed him amongst the most valued of officials. Sp. best Nov. was won by Mr. Seywright's cl. buff ck.; best bird in hall, and best young hen, Mr. W. Gray's yell. green hen, truly a beauty; best young cock, Mr. A. Allardice's buff fowl cock. The judges, Messrs. D. Black, Govan; G. Fulton, Partick; A. Livingstone, Paisley; R. Menzie, Edinburgh; R. O'Donnell, Paisley; J. Smith, Bowmore, got through their work in good time, and their awards gave entire satisfaction.

CL. YELL. CK. (13): 1, sp., Dalglighi, well-known winner, grand size, fine reach and droop, lovely shoulder and style, a beauty, wins; 2, sp., Strathearn, not quite the size of winner, all there for style; 3, sp., Gray, great size and subs., fine length of side; 4, sp., Hope, nice top and length of side; 5, sp., J. Muir; vhc, sp., Morrison; he, sp., D. Caldwell; c, sp., McClure; 9, Simpson; grand class. **YELL. PIED (14):** 1, 2, Brown, two grand birds, 1st fine size and reach, well set on legs, good length of side, steady worker, 2nd young bird, grand subs. and top end, very stylish, must have pressed; 3, Hendry, grand length of side, nice head and neck, good action; 4, W. Thomson, nice top end and reach; 5, vhc, J. Morrison; he, Vernal; c, sp., Gray; 9, sp., Swanson. **YELL. FOUL (11):** 1, 4, Orr, nice reach and top end, good action, fine length of side, 4th another good one, fair size and reach; 2, Palmer, good bird, grand arcep, well into spar, nice head and neck, close up; 3, H. R. Caldwell, fine size and style, well set down; 5, Thomson; vhc, Gray; he, Strathearn; c, Burnside; 9, D. Caldwell. **YELL. GR. (15):** 1, Burnside, nice very bird, prominent top end, good size and subs.; 2, Phillips, nice reach and length of side; 3, Beckett, good length of side, stylish; 4, Simpson; 5, Jackson. **CL. BUFF (20)** great class, some well known winners cardless here: 1, sp., 3, sp., 4, sp., Morrison, 1st great size and subs., nice reach and droop, well filled in back, grandly set on legs, wins, 3rd scarcely size of winner, beautiful pose, nice action and top end, presses hard; 2, McClure, another big one, good subs. and top end, determined droop, well into perch; 5, sp., Allardice; vhc, sp., Seywright; he, sp., Gray; c, sp., Brown; 9, sp., Ferguson. **BUFF PIED (10):** 1, sp., McClure, grand length of side, well set down on legs, grand size and thickness through, splendid model; 2, Miller, great action, well into pin, good length of side, nice subs.; 3, Morrison, close up, nice head and neck, good subs.; 4, Caldwell, hard up, nice length of side; 5, Muir; vhc, Thomson; he, sp., Stewart, junr.; c, Wilson; 9, Henderson. **BUFF FOUL (10):** 1, Allardice, good size, grand action, nice top end, determined drive; 2, sp., McClure, grand length of side and subs., good reach and body; 3, A. Clark, nice size, prominent shoulder and droop, nice action; 4, Strathearn, splendid action and cond., nice head and neck; 5, A. M. Baird; vhc, Stewart; he, J. R. Caldwell; c, Stewart, Junr.; 9, no name. **BUFF GR. (11):** 1, Morrison, grand length of side, determined droop, good top end, free style; 2, Main, big one, lovely set, fair thickness, fine head and neck; 3, Muir, fine snaky head and neck, nice top end, hard up; 4, W. Lees, good bird, nice length of side; 5, Ferguson; vhc, Fleming; he, Caldwell; c, Craig; 9, Robertson. **CL. YELL. HEN (14):** 1, 4, Stewart, great size and subs., prominent shoulder, nice head and neck, fine length of side; 2, sp., Brown, fails a little in size, very ready in action, sweet head and neck, nicely set down; 3, Muir, another good one, nice length of side, grand size, good top end; 5, sp., Allardice; vhc, c, Morrison; he, sp., Burnside; 9, Robertson. **YELL. PIED (11):** 1, Brown, good size, prominent top end, nice thickness, erect, determined drive, snaky head and neck; 2, Watson, well set on legs, nice size, and thickness, grand action, not subs. of 1st; 3, Stewart, well into pin, nice length of side, fine head and neck, nice style; 4, Simpson, nice top end and action, gets head well down; 5, D. Caldwell; vhc, sp., Baird; he, Hendry; c, 9, sp., Morrison. **YELL. FOUL (11):** 1, Renwick, grand size, nice top end and length of side, well up, determined drive, nice head and neck; 2, Muir, not subs. of first, but close up, fine reach and style; 3, sp., Strathearn, nice size and thickness, fine head and neck, stylish; 4, sp., Allardice, very neat, beautiful style; 5, Burnside; vhc, McClure; he, G. Simpson; c, sp., Gray; 9, Young. **YELL. GR. (7):** 1, sp., Gray, best bird in hall, lovely little lady, beautiful pose, fine snaky head and neck, very steady, not the largest, but all there for style and qual., wins; 2, Fulton, fine size, good length of side, prominent top end; 3, Thomson, hard up, good shoulder and subs.; 4, Fleming, nice style and qual.; 5, Clark; vhc, McLaughlan; he, Hendy. **CL. BUFF (13):** 1, Brown, beautiful pos., grand size, fine, well filled in back, wins; 2, Morrison, nice reach and top end, fine

length of side, lakes grand seat, 3, Gray, fails a little in size, grand top end, rare droop, away at it; 4, sp., Strathearn, splendid top end, good cond.; 5, sp., Muir; vhc, sp., Ferguson; he, Simpson; c, Menzie; 9, Wilson. **BUFF PIED (11):** 1, 3, sp., Brown, fine top end, determined drive, great reach and cond.; 3, must have pressed hard, gets head well down, nice pos. and top end; 2, Stewart, grand size and subs., well set down on legs, fine length of side, well placed; 4, Jackson, smart hen, good length of side; 5, Jas. Jackson; 6, McClure; he, Stewart; he, c, sp., Muir; 9, sp., Muir. **BUFF FOUL (9):** 1, sp., Stewart, great size and subs., lovely pose, gets head well down, fine style, beautifully laced; 2, F. Strathearn, nice reach and top end, grand length of side, fine action; 3, McClure, good size, rare thickness, takes nice seat; 4, Henderson, neat head, rare droop and action; 5, Jackson; vhc, McClure; he, sp., Vernal; c, Robertson; 9, Llie. **BUFF GR. (8):** 1, Menzie, prominent top end, lovely head and reach, great action; 2, sp., Brown, grand length of side, rare style and cond., grandly set down; 3, Gray, massive frame, great length of side, well set down on legs, must have pressed; 4, A. Muir; nice head and neck; 5, L. Jackson; vhc, Watson; he, Swanson. **PARS (12):** 1, Morrison, yell. ck. and buff h n, ideal pair, full of qual.; 2, sp., Brown, Y.C.B.H., grand pair, must have pressed hard, perfect cond.; 3, Dalglighi, grand birds, rare size; 4, Muir; 5, Miller; vhc, sp., McClure; he, sp., Jackson; c, Phillips. **SELL. CK. (23):** 1, Allan; 2, C. Ralston; 3, Hainey; 4, Burnside. **HEN (12):** 1, Hainey; 2, Smith; 3, Ralston; 4, Stewart.

TROON.

Annual show, Jan. 1 (postponed from August) with an entry very similar to last year—nearly 300. Classes did not fill up to expectation, owing to so many shows clashing, but quality was all there. In ladies and British Mr. P. McQuiston swept the decks and secured the silver plate for most points. Sp. best bird was won by Mr. Hamilton's pied yell. Scotch Fancy cock. Mr. John Hunter makes a good and obliging sec., and had everything in apple-pie order; he was ably assisted by the President and committee, who all worked for the comfort of exhibitors and exhibitors. Mr. Alex. McMeeking, Ayr, judged.

SCOTCH. CK. (6): 1, sp., Hamilton, pied yell., grand length, rare neck and reach, gets well under; 2, he, Ferguson, buff, fine quick action, showing line shoulder, hard to separate; 3, vhc, he, Robertson, cl. buff, plenty of nerve, good drive, fine quality. **HEN (4):** 1, 2, 3, Robertson, cl. buff, grand subs., rare curve, plenty length of drive, very nervy, 2nd similar, 3rd good cl. yell., fails reach, slow in action; 4, Hamilton. **NOR. YELL. CK. (6):** 1, Devoy, grand size and type, good head and neck, neat wings, splendid carr., hot fed; 2, McKean, nice size and shape, rare chubby type, shade warmer col., beaten head; 3, Raiside and Savage, lovely qual., good head, grandly braced wings; 4, Ferguson; vhc, Stevenson, soft when taking notes; he, Murray. **HEN (7):** 1, 2, Devoy, leader cl., cobby, full cheek, grand head and tail, though shade narrow on head; 2nd eye mtd., nice qual., typical; 3, Alexander, varieg., very nice head and wings; 4, Stevenson; vhc, c, Ferguson; he, Anderson. **BUFF. CK. (16):** 1, Murray, heavy varieg., great size and subs., rare chubby type, splendid wings and tail, Kilmarnock and Ayr winner, improving; 2, 3, Devoy, leader exceeds in type and meal, beaten size by winner, 2 d. extra chubby, failing in head; 4, Aitken; vhc, Hamilton; he, Raiside and Savage; c, Alexander. **HEN (9):** 1, 2, Devoy, beauties, short and thick, leader wins on head properties, grand head and neck, nice short wings and tail, 2nd shade warmer col., fails head; 3, Alexander, presses hard, almost equal on all points; 4, H. Ferguson; vhc, c, James Ferguson; he, Aitken. **BORD. CK. (5):** 1, D. Dempster, rare rich col., nice jaunty carr., good weight, very typical; 2, Mossie, shade smaller, put down in A1 cond.; 3, Krozen, not far behind, very free carr., just we shade thin in neck, good col.; 4, Smilie; vhc, H. Ferguson. **HEN (8):** 1, Smilie, wine here, very taking little lady, great col. and cond., model for size and type, grand carr.; 2, Krozen, shade in inner build, sweet head; 3, McKean, different type, more chubby, in rare fettle; 4, Clark; vhc, J. Ferguson; he, Findlay; c, Dempster. **A.O.V. CK. (4):** 1, Smilie, grand varieg., rare type, great col.; 2, McKean, varieg., pressing hard, very free carr., neat head and neck, grand wing carr.; 3, Mossie, wing mtd., might have won, perfect size and type, very jaunty carr.; 4, Ferguson. **HEN (4):** 1, 2, Smilie, a good pair, winning easily, in great cond.; 3, Clark, more chubby, build, very neat head, good wing and tail carr.; 4, Ferguson. **YORKS. CK. (5):** 1, Reid, very lengthy yell., sweetly drawn, grand pos.; 2, 3, Macready, leader very typical buff, grand length, takes rare position, very leggy, 3rd fails pos. only; 4, Lovie. **HEN (5):** 1, Reid, buff, very neat head, fine length, of leg; 2, 3, Macready, buffs, good pair, leader excellent in length, both take good position; 4, Lovie; vhc, Lindsay. **GOLDFINCH (6):** 1, Roxburgh; 2, Hamilton; 3, Stobbs Bros. **BULF. (5):** 1, McQuiston, grand size and type, right chubby body, rich breast, very large cap extending well down back of head, large clear wing bars; 2, Davidson, smaller, very neat shape, loses in col.; 3, Wright, pressing hard, only loses in cond. and staging; 4, Findlay; vhc, Robertson and Morgan. **LINNET (6):** 1, sp., 2, McQuiston, top notehers, put down as only P. McQ. can, 2nd better and clearer pencilling, might have changed places; 3, Davidson, nice size and cond., bit more open on front than leaders, shows fine clear flights; 4, Wright; vhc, Macready; he, Anderson. **GREENE. (6):** 1, McQuiston, hot fed, nice type, could do with more size, might have given way to 2, McGavin, grand thick-set bird, very full head, good bright flights and tail; 3, Adams, very nice type; 4, Cowan; vhc, Robertson and Morgan; he, Fleming. **DARK MULE (9):** 1, McQuiston, well-known Goldie, great size and col., very large under blaze, nice bright bars; 2, Davidson, Greenf., nice size and cond.; 3, Wright, Linnet, good col., bit wild; 4, Robertson and Morgan; vhc, no name. **LIGHT (7):** 1, McQuiston, well-known Greenie, often described; 2, Cowan, Goldie-Bullie, nice size and cond., well placed; 3, Stobbs Bros., var. Goldie, in good order; 4, Cowan, vhc, Heron; he, Anderson; c, Macready. **SISKIN, REDPOLL OR TWITE (11):** 1, c, McQuiston, Siskin, nicely fed, rare jet bib, well pencilled flanks, grand cap; 2, Davidson, Lesser Poll, fine rich breast col., finely mtd. on chest, nice bib and crown; 3, McGavin, grand Mealy, monster for size, very clear front, well worth his place; 4, Wright, Siskin; vhc, Gracie; he, Devoy. **A.O.V. (5):** 1, Wyper, Waxwing, nice size and cond., nice wings and tail, very steady, but some preferred 2, McQuiston, well-known Hawfinch, looking very fit, great size and col., very distinct and well cut bib; 3, Anderson, Song Thrush, too unsteady to do himself justice, nice arcep n ks, on front; 4, Cowan; vhc, McGavin.

Needs of Birds, Poultry, etc., should be regularly sprinkled with KEATING'S POWDER, especially when hens are sitting. Don't forget to do this just previous to the eggs hatching, to destroy the Red Mite. Kills all insects. Harmless to everything else.

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CANARY QUERIES

Answered by CLAUDE ST. JOHN.

CANARIES GOING BLIND (T. A. L.). There is no infectious disease likely to affect the eyes in the way you say without some other very pronounced symptoms, and I am inclined to think that the trouble is due to mechanical injury of some kind, or to some vicious element at work. Your best plan would be to show the affected birds to a veterinary surgeon, who could make a personal examination and advise you much better than it is possible to do without seeing them. You might try the effect of the following treatment, and if not successful write again in a month or so and I will advise you further. Get a few camomile flowers from a chemist. Place eight or ten in a tureen, fill with boiling water, and cover and allow to infuse for an hour or so besides the fire. Then strain and add 30 drops of tincture of opium to the infusion and bathe the affected eyes with a little every morning and evening as soon as you notice them to be affected; continue the bathing daily until they have returned to a normal condition. Use a little fresh fluid and a fresh pledget of wool or linen for each eye that is to be treated, and burn at once that which has been once used.

PROTRACTED MOUTLING (H. H.).—See that the bird is not exposed to cold draughts, as this is in all probability the exciting cause of the continual moulting over so long a period. In addition to the staple diet of canary and rape, give

your birds, provided only that they are not hung very near to it, or much higher up towards the ceiling than the position of the lamp. Even the latter would be of no great moment if the light is only required now and again, and is not in constant use for a long time at a stretch. As you have no gas, I expect electric lighting is also out of the question, otherwise that would be the best form of lighting. But if not available there is no reason why you should not go on with the oil lamp. Keep it trimmed clean, and do not allow it to smoke, and its casual use will have no detrimental effect whatever on the bird's health.

GREY LICE (A. E. A.). Yes, they are grey lice that are on your birds. The only reason that they do not leave the birds so readily now is that they are less active at this season than during the hot summer months, and also your birds appear to be only slightly troubled with them, and it is only when very numerous that you find them get on your hands when catching a bird. I should think it would be quite sufficient if you gave the birds a bath in which you had mixed a few drops of essence of quassia twice each week for a time. If, however, you prefer washing the birds, and cannot easily get Creolin, Jeyes' Cylin will answer the same purpose. Use it in the two first waters, used in washing in the proportion of a teaspoonful to a quart of water. No, it is not correct to say that these two articles are one and the same thing. But it would be correct to say that they were two preparations of the same substance, viz., carbolic acid, and will serve much the same purpose.

B.R.C.C. ROLLERS (C. Morgan).—These birds require no different treatment from any other class of roller. For ordinary singers give a staple diet of two parts canary to one part summer rape, and for a higher class of singer a staple of equal parts canary and rape. Otherwise treat just the same as you will frequently see advised in this column, as, for instance, to "Ritep (2)" in last issue. Or you might get a copy of the Nutshell booklet on the Roller, "No. 10," 23d. post free, from our Manager, or twopence from your local newsagent, wherein you will find full details for the treatment of Rollers generally. With regard to keeping the Hartz cock in a separate room apart from the others this entirely depends upon the quality of its song. If it is an untrained bird, or has an objectionable song in any way, it would be essential to keep it out of earshot of the better class of birds if you wish the latter to retain their song in a pure form for any length of time. If the Hartz remains in the same room with a family song the better class of singers will be practically certain to become corrupted in song sooner or later, and generally it is not very long in coming about.

BRITISH BIRDS, MULES AND HYBRIDS.

Answered by H. NORMAN.

THRUSH NOT FEEDING (Bad Appetite).—I have carefully read your two letters, but cannot quite understand what you think is wrong with your bird. You say "his food does not give him satisfaction." Do you mean that he is in poor condition, or that he does not, in your opinion, eat sufficient? Kindly remember that Thrushes are not big feeders. If your bird is well and lively, I do not think there can be much the matter with him; anyway, if you are not satisfied with his feeding, I would advise you to try a good brand

BRITISH BIRD & HYBRID QUERISTS

should consult Houlton's great work, "Cage-Bird Hybrids" (7/6); Norman's "British Bird Manual" (2/3); or Part 1 "Hardbills" (1/1), Part 2 "Softbills" (1/1); "Acanthids, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods, and Wild Plants" (1/2); "Secrets of Hybrid Breeding" (1/2); Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 1 "Goldfinch," No. 2 "Linnets," No. 3 "Siskin," No. 4 "Song Thrush and Blackbird," No. 11 "Bullfinch," No. 13 "Chaffinch," No. 15 "Greenfinch," No. 22 "Siskin, Redpoll, and Twite," No. 25 "Small Insectivorous Birds," No. 26 "Large Insectivorous Birds," No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 12 "How to Mould British Birds." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

of insectile mixture, as used for Nightingales and small Warblers, mix a little grated carrot or boiled potato with it making it just crumbly moist, not sloppy or too dry. You could vary this with No. 2 recipe in the British Bird Book. He should do well on these two. I do not like your mixture; it would be just the food to upset his digestive organs, and probably cause fits.

FEEDING A LINNET (H. Bolton).—Wild seed mixture for your Linnet can be bought in packets, and if it is a good brand, it will contain quite a quantity of genuine wild seeds, but if you are unable to get it, and would like to mix your own, the following would be suitable, 2 ozs. each of gold of pleasure, niger, plantain, sesame, thistle, and 1oz. of each of mustard, dandelion, maw, cornflower, lettuce. Give him a teaspoonful of this every other day; a little cracked hemp about twice a week will soon bring him into song. You could continue this feeding during the winter, but in the summer the mixture should only be given about twice a week, because if he does not require such generous treatment, and you are then able to gather bunches of wild weeds that are just ripening their seeds. These are much better for him than the dry stored seeds.

SITE FOR AN AVIARY (First Pair).—Of the two sites given, I like the No. 1 better than the other. It is not necessary for a bird room to have the sun shining in it all day, especially during the breeding season, when the heat in an exposed room is almost unbearable. If you can get a couple of hours early in the morning, it starts the birds well for the day, and then with a little more later on they should do well. If you use corrugated iron for the roof, you should have rough boards underneath, and even then it would be as well to cover them with cheap felt. The reason is that the iron is liable to "sweat," and then you have beads of moisture hanging to it, which makes the whole of the room damp. If you send me a rough sketch of your proposed building, giving measurements and other particulars, I shall be pleased to advise you further.

GOLDFINCH RESTLESS (R.B.).—The Goldfinch is naturally a restless bird, and when first caged is constantly clinging to the bars of the cage and rattling them with his beak, so yours is no exception. I would advise you to keep him in a box cage until he has steadied down, and whenever he flies on to the front wires, gently remove him by plac-

CLUB & SOCIETY NOTICES

ONE NOTICE of any forthcoming Society meeting inserted free. It should reach us not later than Tuesday morning's post. Specially printed Club Notice Postcards may be had free on application to our Manager. Secretaries should always use them.

Abertillery C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Prince of Wales Hotel, 6. Election of officers, etc.—H. H. Mortimer.

Aberystwyth C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Queen's Hotel, Special business, balance-sheet, election of officers. The committee wish all decisions to be kindly attended, or apply to sec. Entrance fee, 1s. 6d.—Fred. Sweeting, Hon. Sec., 22, Caradoc Street, Penryn.

Alreton C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Red Lion Hotel, Members' show; birds staged 4; judge; Mr. B. Simpson.—G. Beardall.

Altrincham Open C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Station Cafe, 3. Election of officers, and second show bus.—C. Bailey.

Attercliffe C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Horse and Jockey Hotel, 7.30. Discussion of rules, etc.—E. Johnson.

Ashton-under-Lyne O.S.—Jan. 12, P.S.A. Rooms, Albion Street, 8. Annual business meeting; report and balance-sheet; election of officers, etc.—J. Whitehead.

Barnsley C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Clarence Hotel, 7.30. Balance-sheet.—E. Toulson.

Beamish C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Bird Inn, High Hold, 6.30. Final arrangements for show; schedule and other business. Subs. due.—J. H. Elliot.

Bedford and Beds. United C.B.S.—Jan. 21, Roise Street Schoolroom, 7.30. Annual meeting and bird-watching competition.—A. Simons.

Birmingham South O.S.—Jan. 13, Marlboro' Hotel, 8.20. Report of members' show; elect new officers for 1915; also present specials and cups.—J. Sheppard.

Bolton Roller C.S.—Jan. 12, Joiners' Arms, 8. Members bring money and unsold tickets; election of officers.—J. Kilshaw.

Bolton Woods C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Victoria Hotel, 8. General meeting and balance-sheet; election of officers for 1915.—H. Bryant.

Bowling B.F.A.—Jan. 9, Napoleon Hotel, 7.30. General meeting, election of officers, balance-sheet, and date for prize distribution.—J. Nicholl.

Bradford East O.S.—Jan. 12, Park Chapel School, 7.30. Annual social and prize distribution; refreshments provided. Fanciers cordially invited.—W. Cruise.

Bradford West C.B.A.—Jan. 9, Shoulder of Mutton, 8. Election of officers; nominations and alterations of rules.—F. P. Terry.

British Roller C.C.—Jan. 12, The Royal Mail, Noble Street, St. Martins-le-Grand, 7.30. International show arrangements.—J. W. Norris.

Codnor Park and Eastwood C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Three Thins, Eastwood, 7. Business important; members and friends invited.—Smith and Lees.

Crystal Palace and Penze C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Alexandra Hotel, Penze, 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers.—H. Legg.

City and Suburban A.C.B.—Jan. 11, Church Institute, 60, Paddington Street, Marylebone, 8.15 p.m. Annual general meeting.—V. Wynn.

Derwent Valley C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Co-operative Hall, Lower Westwood, 7. Balance sheet; election of officers for 1915; revision of rules, etc.—Jameson and Johnson.

East Ham C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Town Hall, 8. Annual general meeting; balance sheet; selection of officers, etc.—F. Onslow.

East Ardsley C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Black Swan, 7.30. To elect officers for the coming season, and other bus.—H. Cockrem.

Farnworth C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Church House, Church Road, 7.30. Election of officers 1915, balance-sheet 1914, etc.—W. Dawson.

Gateshead C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Headquarters, 8. Members please attend.—W. Curry.

Guisborough Priory C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Ware's Room, 7. Classification for pair show and other important bus.—Win. Waraker.

Halifax O.S.—Jan. 9, Plummet Line Hotel, 7.30. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1915; balance sheet for 1914, and other business.—H. Clegg.

Halifax C.B.S.—Jan. 16, King Cross Band-room, King Cross. Annual members' show; birds staged 2. Judge, Mr. T. Ogden, Bradford. Entries Friday evening, 8 to 11, at Trafalgar Inn.—A. Sutcliffe.

Hartlepool C.B.S.—Jan. 13, St. George's, 8. General meeting and arrangements for pair show.—Pyman and Thornton.

ing the finger near him. Then when he is quieter he can be placed in the open cage, with part of it covered up. This covering can be removed gradually. It is simply a case of time and patience overcoming his natural restlessness. Do all you can by handling the cage to get him tame and confiding.

FEEDING A REDPOLL (McCarthy, Morrogh).—You will have no difficulty in feeding your Redpoll, as they are easily catered for. Make a mixture of three parts canary seed, two parts teazle, and one part rape. Let this be his staple food. Then procure a packet of good wild seed mixture and give him a spoonful twice a week. In addition to this he should have a spray of greenfood every other day during the summer, and occasionally during the winter, but not when there is any frost on it. The most suitable wild plants are dandelion, chickweed, shepherd's purse, and seeding grass. Let him bathe frequently, but only during the morning, so that he is quite dry before roosting time. Keep in a cool airy room, removed from fire or gas, and away from draughts.

GREYPATES FOR MULING (Beginner).—Your Greypate and young Linnet would be quite fit for breeding in the spring, in fact you could not wish for anything better; all you have to do is to keep them fit and introduce them to their partners during the winter, either by keeping them together, or letting them have a fly in the same cage occasionally. Do not force the Finches, but let them come along naturally, then about the end of April you can give them a breeding cage and nesting materials; they may not pair for some time afterwards, for Finches do not as a rule nest quite so early as canaries.

FOREIGN BIRDS.

Answered by WESLEY T. PAGE, F.Z.S.

AILING PARROT (A.M.E.).—Thanks for your letter, which we much appreciate. Pleased to hear of so happy a result.

CUTTING ITS WING (Bluebell). The Orange-flanked Parakeet becomes so tame that usually wing-cutting is not necessary. It is impossible to do this without some little disfigurement, but this is least evident when only the webs of feathers are cut away, leaving the shaft intact. Of course, the process must be repeated at each moult. If you have these birds in a cage and merely wish to give

Keighley C.B.S.—Jan. 12, Hare and Hounds Hotel, 7.30. Report and balance-sheet; election of officers for ensuing year, and new members.—C. W. Town.

Leith O.S.—Jan. 9, Liberal Club, Hope Street, 7.—G. W. Brown.

Linton and Woodhorn C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Hirst Social Club, 7.30. Arrangements for show Jan. 16.—J. Anderson.

Littleborough C.B.S.—Jan. 13, headquarters, 3. Annual meeting; election of officers, balance-sheet for back-end show, and for the year. Members and intending members please attend.—J. R. Windle.

Llanely C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Greyhound Hotel, 7.30. Final meeting before show to receive members' entries and finish members' time-table of attendance.—D. John.

London and Counties A.C.B.—Jan. 16, Victoria Hotel, Charterhouse Street, E.C., 8. Annual general meeting, balance-sheet, programme for 1915, and electing new officers for year.—W. Gilbert.

Macclesfield C.B.S.—Jan. 14, Daybrook Street Schools, 7.45. Annual general meeting.—H. Hall.

Manningham C.B.A.—Jan. 9, headquarters, 2. Members' show; judge, Mr. H. Sutcliffe. Entries Friday night.—H. Grange.

Nottingham and Notts O.S.—Jan. 12, Mechanics' Institute, 8.30. Balance-sheet, election of officers for 1915.—J. G. Royce.

Openshaw, Gorton C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Alhambra Club Rooms, Higher Openshaw, 8.30. Election of officers.—A. W. Newton.

Oldham C.B.S.—Jan. 12, Textile Dining Rooms, 8. General meeting; election of officers, etc.—J. Cope.

Pelton Fell (Amal.)—Jan. 9, Colliery Inn, Pelton Fell, 6. Prizes and specials.—J. Robinson.

Perth City and County O.A.—Jan. 11, Laidlaw's Rooms, Leonard Street, 8. Pairs show.—J. L. Smith.

Rochdale O.C.—Jan. 11, Clarke's Place, 8. Yearly meeting.—J. Butterworth.

Southampton C.B.S.—Monday, Jan. 11, Waterloo Temperance Hotel, 8.20. Annual general meeting; pass balance-sheet, elect officers for 1915.—W. L. Page.

South London Col. and F.A.—Jan. 14, headquarters, 7.45. Annual general meeting; election of officers for 1915.—Geo. Burton.

Sowerby Bridge C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Wharf Hotel, Show for hens only; birds staged 7. Judge, Mr. T. Pilling, Halifax.—G. Mitchell.

Sacriston P.P.R. and C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Mrs. H. Abbot's Tea-rooms, Front St., 5.30. Final settlements for members' show, Jan. 2.—Wm. Dodd.

St. Quintin's Park, Kensington and Dis. F. and F.S.—Jan. 14, at the new Headquarters, W. London Street Traders' Institute, Tavistock, Mews, Portobello Road, W., 8. Annual general meeting; election of officers and new members; all fanciers welcome.—A. J. Fox.

Sunderland C.B.A.—Jan. 12, headquarters, 7.30. (1) Allotting of specials; (2) final arrangements for open show.—J. Peacock.

Tong C.B.S.—Jan. 12, Hand and Shuttle Inn, 7.30. Annual meeting; election of officers, etc.—W. Walker.

Val of Leven C.B.C.—Jan. 12, Village Schoolroom, Alexandria, 8. Annual meeting and paying prize monies.—A. H. McLean.

Walsend, Mid-Tyne.—Jan. 13, Station Hotel, 7. Balance-sheet and election of officers. Please, members, start this year in good style.—G. Greenwell.

Wandsworth F.S.—Jan. 14, at "Sutton's Hall," Spread Eagle Yard, 8. Programme for 1915.—W. Lightfoot.

Walton, Everton C.B.S.—Jan. 13, Emmanuel Mission Hall, Kilshaw Street, 8.30. Annual general meeting; election of officers; Jan. old show.—Robinson and Burns.

Wigan C.B.S.—Jan. 9, Legs of Man Hotel, 8. Please attend; very important.—Ed. Ball.

Wigan Roller Club.—Jan. 9, Queen's Head, Newtown, Wigan, 7.30. Election of officers, etc. Old members and intending members cordially invited.—P. Greenall.

Windhill C.B.S.—Jan. 16, Blue Bell Hotel, 8. Annual general meeting. Election of officers for 1915; balance-sheets for open and members' shows; tea and concert arrangements; yearly balance-sheet and Union bus.—Taylor and Ellis.

Wood Green F.F.A.—Jan. 12, Adult School, High Road, 8. Annual meeting; election of officers, rules.—T. Callegari.

York C.B.S.—Jan. 11, All Saints' Schoolroom, 8. Annual meeting; election of officers and distribution of prizes.—V. G. F. Zimmerman.

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should consult Page's "Foreign Birds for Beginners" (1/1); Arthur's "Budgerigars and Cockatiels" (6d.); Arthur's "Parrots for Pleasure and Profit" (7d.); "Acanthids, Bird-rooms, and Cages" (2/3); "Seeds, Foods and Wild Plants" (1/2); Dr. Clarke's "Septic or Bird Fever" (7d.); "Colour-feeding" (3d.); or the "Nutshell" booklets (2d. each); No. 6 "Ailing Birds and How to Cure Them," No. 9 "The Disinfection of Cages, Bird-rooms, etc.," No. 14 "Goldfinch Finches," No. 16 "Budgerigars," No. 17 "The Grey Parrot," No. 18 "Adacacats," No. 19 "The Pekin Robin," No. 20 "Warbills." All thoroughly practical and instructive. Prices quoted are post free from "Cage Birds," 154, Fleet Street, London, E.C.

to the seed dish held in the hand, and, of course, with such climbers as the Psittaci, windows must not be left open without protection, whether the wings be cut or not.

GENERAL.

Answered by THE EDITOR.

NOMO.—Special prize-cards are not sent out by all shows; some use only the small gummed slips affixed to the cage fronts. We have no information as to whether the Horticultural Hall Show issued, or intends issuing, special design cards. We note you say that "prize-money is negligible, but cards a source of pride to the exhibitor"; that is the proper sporting way of looking at it.

POST MORTEMES.

Mr. G. Yates, M.R.C.V.S., 1, College Road, Harrow, Middlesex, will examine and report upon dead cage birds for a fee of 1s. 6d. each bird; for reply direct, 2s. 6d.; analysis, 2s. Subject for post mortem examination must be sent packed in a box direct to Mr. Yates, with the fee, this and any accompanying letter being kept from contact with the dead bird. Send by letter post; it is cheaper and quicker than parcel post. Any bodies sent to the office of this paper will be thrown away, and if a fee is enclosed the loss will be the sender's.

VIRGINIANS

Finest Virginian Nightingales, in full song, 25/- each; hens, 38/6; Zebra Finches, 8/6 pair; Saffron Finches, males, 5/-; Pope Cardinals, 7/6; Masked Weavers, 5/- pair; Grey Singing Finches, 7/6 pair; Waxbills and Orange-cheeks, 4/6 pair; Tavi Courees, 10/6 each; Golden-crowned Couree, 1/6; Nandy Couree, 2/1; G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1986)

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DOVES.

THREE pair of White Java Doves, 2/6 a pair; Coloud Walton, Rongenont, Ryde. (1982)

VARIOUS BIRDS.

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TWO cock Goldfinch Mules, one hen, 10/- lot; parents of same, 10/-; also five Roller hens, 7/6 lot; Bond, 87, Uxbridge-st., Burton. (1975)
BRITISH and Foreign birds for sale; young Budgerigars 4/- pair, also 2 fine hen green Budgerigars, 4/- each; Baines, 6, Toronto-st., Lincoln. (1970)
YELLOW unflighted Norwich cocks, 12/-; h.m. Goldfinch, 6/-; Greenfinch, 2/-; sell or exchange for large good buff hen; Smedley, 83, Royston-avenu, Bentley-rd., Doncaster. (1978)
FRENCH Ruffie, 25/6; champion pairs Yorkshire Greens, 50/6; Norwich Clears, 45/6; Borders, 20/5; Parisian songsters, 10/6, 15/6; three Cockatiels, 23/6; exchange: Edward Williams, Mount Verdon-rd., Liverpool. (1977)
COCKATIEL, young hen, 6/-; Budgerigars, 4/- pair, three pairs 11/-; Goldfinch Mules, 6/6; exchange for White Javaz, good h.m. cock Goldfinch, Bramblefinch, big Norwich hens; Cann, 18, Brunswick-st., Leigh, Lancs. (1975)
PAIR Magpies, 10/-; house-moulted cock Goldfinch, 20/-; two house-moulted cock Bullfinch, 4/-; large green-crested Norwich, 3/6; five grand Yorkshire hens, 12/6; ten mixed hen Canaries, 15/-; Hayter, Naturalist, Southampton. (1984)
WINNERS for sale: Cocks, Yellow Dark Goldfinch Mule, 1st and special, 15/-; Yellow Greenfinch, 6/-; Linnets, 5/-; Lesser Redpoll, 4/-, cards sent; house-moulted cock Yellow Bunting, 2/-; hen Budgerigar, 2/-; approval, cash or deposit Editor; G. Lees, Ivanhoe House, Thompson-st., Langley Mill, Derbyshire. (1976)

A. G. van NIKKELEN KUIJPER, Naturalist, HAARLEM, HOLLAND.

Telegrams: Kuijper, Naturalist, Haarlem. Offers: Good singing Cock Canaries, £1 6/- half dozen, £2 a dozen, two dozen £3 15/-; ditto Hens, 10/- a doz. n., two dozen 17/-; Green Budgerigars, £3 15/- per 20 pair; Goldfinches (length 5.7-cm.), £2 1/8; ditto (7-12-cm.), £3 5/- per 1,000; Mealworms, £1 2/- per 3 kg. The above prices are carriage paid. Delivery after receipt of amount per postal order.

WANTED.

KINGFISHER, or pair; Setby Cottage, Brockenhurst.
WANTED, Mules, Canaries and British: Chas. Palmer and Sons, 66-68, Scater-st., Shoreditch.
WANTED any quantity cock Goldfinches, will give 21/- per dozen: R. Kremmer, 104, Tib-st., Manchester.
WANTED, all kinds of Canaries and British birds; best prices paid: Barnes, Aviarics, Merthyr Tydfil. (1867)
WANTED Canaries and British birds for cash, state lowest price to: Wright, 14, Rosedale-st., Partick. (1983)
WANTED young Norwich or Yorkshires, give 5/- per pair: D. Greenwood, 16, Standish-st., Burnley, Lancs. (1978)
WANTED, British birds or Canaries, for set nets, 30ft. x 6ft. complete: Hartles, 25, Brighton-st., Seacombe. (1979)
WANTED, Canaries, dogs, Parrots, monkeys, mice, etc.; purchase or exchange: Barlow's Aviarics, Greenwich. (1986)
LINNETS, Bullfinches, and Goldfinches, etc., weekly; reference given: Wood, Southgate Aviarics, Gloucester. (1984)
NOTICE—Wanted, all kinds of Canaries for spot. Apply at once to: Hollinhead, Cheshire Aviarics, Howard-st., Stockport. (1985)
NORWICH cock; exchange Linnet Mule, Linnet notes, and two cock Bullfinches: Jones, Vine Cottage, Bagillt, Flintshire. (1974)
ANYONE wanting good Yorkshire cocks, song or stock birds, or cock Mules, kindly write: Caretaker, Club, Marazion, Cornwall. (1966)
WANTED, good Roller cock; exchange good buff wing marked Yorkshire, 1914; mutual approval: A. Thorpe, Vivian-st., Derby. (1977)
WANTED, good talking Grey Parrot; exchange fine oil-painting (genuine), value 7 gns.: H. Smith, 67, Goldstone-villas, Hove. (1979)
WANTED, four hen Canaries; exchange single wireless headpiece and double-pole receiver: Mor. Starck, 59, Cocke-st., Barking. (1981)
WANTED Yorkshire and German Rollers, all kinds of British birds; state lowest price; prompt cash: Manager, Bird Stores, Ossett. (1987)
A FEW pairs of Parrakeets, suitable for outside aviary; state varieties and price: H. G. Baker, Brookfield House, Swinton, Yorks.
WANTED Canaries, in exchange for prize-bred, long-distance racing homers: George Russell, Hollies Cottage, Cheddleton, Staffordshire. (1977)
WANTED, Canaries, Mules, British and Foreign birds for re-sale; lowest price for cash: C. A. Paine, 34, Charlotte-st., Portsmouth. (1966)

WANTED.

All desiring the best value in Canaries, Mules, British Birds, to send for my 1915 Price List. Post-card will do. **RUDD, Specialist, Norwich.**

WANTED, for cash, Canaries, Mules, and Gold Finches, either sex: Merrington, Bird Specialist, 40, Bessonet-st., New Cross Gate, London. (1985)
WANTED breeders' surplus stock, sizey Norwich, Lancashires, or lengthy Yorkshires; also Parrot; cash exchange: 17, Pembroke Road, Waltham-tow. (1986)
WANTED large crest bred cock, with broad skull and heavy feather, exchange high-class Crest (King's); mutual approval: Bush, Keynsham House, Keynsham. (1983)
WANTED for cash, Canaries and Mules, either sex, colour-fed preferred; state lowest prices for prompt payment; Robinson, 33, Bessonet-st., New Cross, London. (1982)
WANTED Crests or Crest-bred, cock and hen Norwich, yellow or green yellow, must be good size; stite price; deposit with CAGE BIRDS: Apply, Hanley, Dublin-st., Longford. (1984)
WANTED, offers in Yorks. for (Reg) Airdead bitch, winner 6 prizes, only times shown; or sell £4; no rubbish offered or wanted, yours first: Dawes, 44, Howard-rd., Mansfield. (1982)
WANTED, offers Canaries, cock Mules, house-moulted, British birds; exchange new wool blankets, 30/- pair, or suit length tweed, 25/-; approval: Heron, 7, Carlingwark-st., Castle-Douglas. (1977)
CANARIES and breeding cages, good condition, or new, wanted; state lowest prices; will deposit "C.B." or cash in three days, to any amount: Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Shiffeld. (1983)
NOTICE, will give 6/- pair for good Norwich or Yorkshire colour-fed preferred; also wanted, Borders, Crests, Scotch Fancy, Mules, and British birds cheap: McKean, Seabright, Castle-Douglas.
WANTED fancy mice, rats, pigeons, poultry, dogs, cats, high-class Norwich Canaries, and other live stock, for cash; state quantity and prices: Wilson, Scotland's Largest Naturalist, Argyle-st., Glasgow. (1984)
WANTED, unflighted buff Yorkshire cock or hen to breed winners, for wire-haired Terrier by Rustie Rattler, 2 years, grand proved bitch, must be on approval: Tomlinson, 126, Pontefract-rd., Normanton, Yorks. (1978)
WANTED, good British weekly from catchers, best prices paid; bankers, London City and Midland; or exchange prize-bred Yorkshires or Norwich, from my winners: Edwin North, Canary Breeder, 443, Manchester-rd., Bradford. (1950)
WANTED, several real good 1914 bred colour-fed Norwich Plainhead cocks and hens, must be of good size, large in head, and short in tail and fights, only good birds required for prompt cash; approval: Cooper, 29, Junction-rd., Norwich. (1969)

WANTED, ANY QUANTITY

Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, York-shires, Norwich, Linnets, Goldfinches, Hawfinches, Bullfinches, etc., good prices, cash, or deposit CAGE BIRDS: Powers and Russell, Granby-place, Bethnal Green, London, E. (1975)

CANARIES

Wanted any quantity cocks, including Borders, Rollers, Norwich, York-shire, natural colour, also colour-feds, good prices, cash by return of post: G. Chapman, High-st., Birmingham. (1986)

WANTED

Any quantity Goldfinch Mules, cocks or hens, Hybrids, York-shire Canaries, Goldfinches, Linnets, etc.; send on, best market prices given per return post; established 50 years: Sandiford, 89, Scater-st., Shoreditch, London; also at Preston.

WANTED, 1,000

colour-fed Norwich and Yorkshire Canaries, must be large, typical birds, and of good type; also surplus stock, good price given, for good birds, also cock Goldfinch Mules, in song, for spot cash; references Editor, of London, City Midland Bank, Bethnal Green Road branch; only honest dealings done, for ready cash: Enoch Power, Bird Importers, 91, Scater-st., Shoreditch, London, E.

WANTED, BRITISH

any quantity of Linnets, Goldfinches, Bullfinches, Siskins, Redpolls, Larks, Yellowhammers, Twites, Snow Bunting, Bramblefinches, Hawfinches, also reliable catchers, to supply weekly for spot cash; write stating terms and wants to: Enoch Power, Bird Importer, 91, Scater-st., Shoreditch, London.

Wanted, Hen Canaries

18/- per dozen for Yorkshire and Norwich, and 1/- each for Goldfinch Mules; hens also wanted, any kind of Parrots or Goldfinches, Bullfinches; best prices given, cash or deposit: W. Rutherford, Bird Importer, Leytonstone, Essex. (1967)

SALE or EXCHANGE.

Mainly British.

EXCHANGE good British for Canaries: Fred Allen, The Bird Specialist, Hull. (1985)
SALE or exchange three Greenfinches, two cocks, one hen Canary reared: E. Butcher, Eastover, Bridgewater. (1983)
EXCHANGE 2 English moulted cock Goldfinches for pair of lengthy Yorkshires or Norwich: Clayton, 3, Camden Park-rd., Camden Town. (1975)
EXCHANGE, Bramblefinch, winner for Lancashire and Norwich, cross hens or Siberian cock Goldfinch: Richards, 16, Waldeck-rd., Dartford. (1981)
ALL hand-reared, and talking Magpie, 7/6; Jay 7/6; Starling 5/-; lot 17/6; or exchange: Cooper's Emporium, Princess-st., Manchester. (1982)
EXCHANGE, H.M. cock Greenfinch, H.M. cock Linnet, mules, for cock Mule, or two Norwich hens; yours first: Potts, 59, Firthside-st., Fraserburgh. (1979)
EXCHANGE two fine cock Bullies for large house-moulted cock Greenie; Greenie first; mutual approval: Price, Lower Loughton, Northop, Flintshire. (1984)
SEVERAL large cage-moulted cock Goldfinches, 3/6 each; also genuine cock Cheveril, 7/6; other exhibition British cheap; exchange exhibition Goldfinch, disc records; offers: Gooderham, 61a, High-st., Stamford. (1979)

EXHIBITION Welch Goldie, large Linnet, proved mules, full song; exchange large Crest-bred cock; also pair large Norwich for a good watch, or other: Jones, Vynol House, Harlech. (1976)
EXCHANGE four cock Linnets for four hen Goldfinch Mules or three hen Canaries, or any other kind of British exchanged for Mules or Canaries: J. Flower, 15, Puffard Row, Bethnal Green-rd., London. (1986)
TIP TOP 1912 cock Goldfinch Mule, good colour, splendid songster, only time shown highly commended, 10/6, bargain; approval a pleasure: cock Bullfinch, used to catching with trap cage, 2/- lot; large cock Brown Linnet, used to catching with trap cage, 2/- lot, bargain: Goodman, 30, Abbey-rd., Bourne, Lincs. (1977)

Mainly Canaries.

WILL exchange 5 Canaries for anything useful; no live stock: Tozer, Rose Cottage, Totnes. (1981)
ROLLER hen, 3/6; buff Yorkshire, 6/-; exchange for long green York-shire hen: T. McLaren, Fintona, Tyrone. (1986)
WANTED, good typical white Canary hen, healthy, 1914: D. Sulman, 18, Southwood-lane, Highgate London, N. (1982)
EXCHANGE, two yellow Yorkshire hens, for one good Norwich hen: Garnett, 13, Wainlywd, Nanty-moel, Glam. (1974)
FOR sale, 6 good Roller hens, or exchange for young Seifert Roller cock: Staples, 229, Henage-rd., Grimsby. (1973)
PAIR Yorkshires, Crest-bred cock, Green Crest hen, 20/-; not fancy singers wanted: Dodd, 25, Devonshire-st., Sunderland. (1985)
EXCHANGE, crest and two buff Norwich cocks, for good large yell. Norwich hens: Waraker, Auckland-st., Gtishrough. (1982)
TWO Roller cocks, 7/6 each; exchange gent's tan boots, 8/-; anything useful; offers: 3, Weldon-st., Hm-st. Leeds. (1983)
WILL exchange 3 large healthy Norwich hens for two cock Mules; mutual approval: Brown, 44, Waterloo-rd., Norwich. (1977)
WANTED two H.M. hen Bullfinches, in exchange for two hen Canaries: Collins, 36, Somerest rd., Knowle, Bristol. (1977)
EXCHANGE Norwich cocks and hens, or common hens for poultry, or sell cheap: Dyer, Castle-st., Thornbury, Glos. (1978)
EXCHANGE, several Canaries for anything useful for home, or sell: "I", 8, Sheredan-rd., Higham Park, London, E. (1983)
EXCHANGE good colour-fed Yorkshires, for ditto Lizzards, Golds., or Silvers, no rubbish: Garside, 39, High-st., Glossop. (1986)
EXCHANGE, singing cock Canary for Linnet Mule, Linnet song, sell 6/-: Willis, 13, Lower Bailey-st., Wattstown, Glam. (1982)
GRAND pair Norwich, exchange non-flighted Crested hen; approval with pleasure; yours first: Calam, 59, Baxtergate, Whitby. (1980)
EXCHANGE one Norwich hen (1914), two cock magpies, for two Roller hens; genuine: Ernest Perkins, New Brinsley, Nott. (1983)
EXCHANGE good green Norwich hen; what offers in good cock Goldfinches; yours first: J. Williamson, Mount Pleasant, Riddings. (1977)
EXCHANGE a good big yellow Norwich cock for a cinnamon Border cock; approval: Martin, 25, High-craigend, Kilsyth, Glasgow. (1976)
EXCHANGE pair Canaries for cock Goldfinch or Siskin, H.M., offers Bullies entertained: Clarke, North-st., Pinxton, Derbyshire. (1976)
EXCHANGE, 2 hens, Crest and Crest-bred, 1914 birds, for yellow Norwich cock (good); approval: Colburn, Sandford-rd., Newbury. (1974)
EXCHANGE good Norwich for winning cock Goldfinch up to £2: Messrs. Butler and Barlow, Newton, near Alfreton. (See Norwich) (1985)
NORWICH (unflighted) yellow marked cock, 8/6; exchange good Norwich hens, cock Siskins; offers: Bendall, 62, Bruford-rd., Wolverhampton. (1978)
FOUR good breeding hen Canaries; exchange for Goldfinches and Linnets for catching, or sell 12/-: W. Carpenter, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone. (1982)
BUFF Yorkshire unflighted cock, can win, exchange watch, boots, anything useful, sell 25/-: Ormondroyd, 17, Aberdeen-terr., Lidget Green, Bradford. (1983)
EXCHANGE pair high-class Seifert Rollers, cock in full song, for yellow Norwich hens: W. Whiteley, Buckwood Cottage, Thackley, near Bradford. (1983)
PRIZE-BRED Norwich, Hodder varieg. strains, splendid pairs, 12/6; cocks from 7/6; exchange trousers to measure: 31, Eastover, Bridgewater. (1983)
EXCHANGE good Yorkshires for Norwich, Borders, gramophone and records, or anything useful for home: Powell, 6, Chepstow-rd., Wmpare, Treorchy. (1977)

BOOK on Canaries, British and Hybrids, cost 25/-, new condition; sell 15/-; exchange Canaries or British: Jas. Christin, 33, High-st., Burntisland. (1978)
CRESTED hen, heavy crest, cost £3, from Warming, Norwich; exchange large Crested cock; yours first: Jeffrey, 209, York-rd., Battersea, London. (1978)
WHAT offers in Seifert Rollers, for 4 pairs of Yorkshires (Thomas strain) and 2 Yorkshire German hens: J. Schofield, 317, Rochdale-rd., Shaw, near Oldham. (1979)
YORKSHIRES, high-class, cocks 10/6 to 20/- each, hens 3/6 to 10/- each; exchange Norwich or Rollers: Beck, School House, Rookery-rd., Handsworth, Birmingham. (1977)
EXCHANGE, Crests, cock Canary, for five hens, or sell 15/-; wanted, 3 cock Goldfinches, Mules; state price: Carley, 7, Woodchester-st., Harrow-rd., Paddington. (1973)
COCK Bullfinch, fit for exhibition, 5/6; cock Greenfinch and hen Bullfinch, large birds, lot 10/6; exchange Norwich; offers: 40, Thorpe-st., Raunds, Northants. (1985)
WILL exchange prize-bred buff unflighted Yorkshire cock for yellow unflighted green Norwich hen; approval both ways: A. J. Smith, Whit-moor-lane, Belper, Derby. (1980)
WILL exchange high-class British Roller cock, rung, champion songster, for 1914 Norwich hens, or sell 4/-; approval both ways: Richardson, 218, Widdington-rd., Coventry. (1980)
EXCHANGE, clear buff crested cock, 12/6, for two hens, one clear crested, and one clear crest-bred; big: Moss, 45, Commercial-st., Senghenydd, near Caerphilly, South Wales. (1979)
EXCHANGE, pair exhibition Borders, for exhibition buff cinnamon Border cock, or exhibition yellow Yorks. hen; sell 15/-; approval: Wall, 26, The Meads, Street, Somerset. (1979)
WHAT offers in Canaries or British or foreign birds for single or double-breeding cages, or Yorkshire, Norwich, or Border show cages: McKean, CAGE Manufacturer, Castle-Douglas. (1975)
FOR sale, three pairs of large typical stock Cinnamon Norwich, or exchange one pair for two large yellow Lancashire Plainhead hens; deposit: Thompson, Lynfield, Woodhorn, Ashington. (1983)

WILL exchange a massive four green Crested cock, 1914, plenty of feather, for a good Crested hen, 1914, must have good front, approval both ways: W. Rowley, 48 C. 25th St., Spout, Coventry. (1980)
1913 eye and wing marked yellow York-shire cock, bred from winners, standard length, 15/-; variegated yellow 1914 York-shire cock, 6/-; both singing, exchange Yorkshire or Norwich yellow hens: Roper, 131, Chester rd., Seven King, Essex. (1984)
FOR sale, one pair of Yorkshire and one pair of Norwich, both pairs matched for breeding outdoor bred, cock in full song, approval 15/-, or exchange for 5 good cock Goldfinches, Goldfinches first: J. Harrison, Over-lane, Belper, Derbyshire. (1980)
EXCHANGE, or sell, cock and 2 hens, 30/-, cock and 2 hens, 20/-; cock and 2 hens, 17/-, Yorkshires, all prize bred, for pair first-class York-shire, must be first prize-winners in high-class shows, approval each way, yours first: A. New, Victoria Aviarie, Evesham. (1974)

Mainly Foreign.

GREEN Parrot, 12 months old, clean and healthy; sale or exchange, no cards: Ayson, Beantwater, Kirkby-in-Furness. (1979)
EXCHANGE, 2 hen yellow Budgerigars for 3 cock ditto, must be outdoor bred: Jackson, 95, Station-rd., Wood Green, London, N. (1979)
TRUE pair Madagascar Love Bird, good condition, exchange breeding cages or young Norwich hen: Pegg, Bradmore-terrace, Briar-st., Nottingham. (1979)
GREEN Budgerigars, 6/- pair; Yellow, 8/-; exchange for good healthy young goat; see Avianum advertisement: Zoo, Handsworth, Birmingham. (1976)

Miscellaneous.

EXCHANGE zither-harp for cock Canary: Daniels, 80, Whitehart-lane, Barnes, S.W. (1975)
FOR sale, 5 double breeding cages, complete, 2/6 each: Jackson, 12, Middle-st., Colne, Lancs. (1984)
EXCHANGE, 7 Pigeons for 2 cock Bullfinches: Seague, Church Cemetery, Llanelly, Carm. (1981)
EXCHANGE 65 Amberol records for anything, useful, to value 30/-: Finch, Giccard, Pembrey. (1973)
EXCHANGE 45 cylinder records for York-shire hen and Bullfinch hen: Finch, Giccard, Pembrey. (1973)
WHAT offers in cage birds for spaniel dog pup, 5 months old: Watts, 51, Willington-st., Merthyr. (1984)
EXCHANGE, suit lengths, costume lengths, for live stock: Gamit, 1, Erie-st., Whitecourt, Brantley, Leeds. (1974)
12 GOOD 1913, 1914-Norwich hens; exchange 10-n. records; or offers: Richards, 11, St. Clare-ter., Penzance. (1977)
EXCHANGE set clap nets, 18ft. x 4ft., for British birds or Canaries: Hartles, 25, Brighton-st., Seacombe. (1979)
BLACK Pom. dog, 17/6; also 6 hen Canaries, 2/6 each, or exchange anything: Dunn, 10, Fag-lane, Dud-lury. (1984)
COCK Blackbird and cage, exchange Bantams or Pigeons: A. Webb, 59, St. Mark's-rd., Hanwell, Middlesex. (1979)
EXCHANGE, pair of good Linnets, h.m., for good Belgian hare, buck; appro.: Holland, Towcester, Northants. (1981)
EXCHANGE lady's or gent's umbrellas for Roller Canaries, on song; offers: Dobbs, 866, Rochdale-rd., Manchester. (1975)
SELL or exchange, Daisy air-gun, 12 c., for Canaries or anything useful: Massingham, 213, Hitchin-rd., Luton, Beds. (1981)
CROSS whippet bitch; exchange hen Norwich or York-shire Canary, sell cheap: Setby Cottage, Brockenhurst.
PAIR clappers, 12ft. by 4ft., with pegs and poles; exchange anything: Brad-haw, 27, North-st., Rushden, Northants. (1978)
EXCHANGE pedigree maiden Irish bitch, for first-class Roller cock, or sell 30/-; no rubbish: Rowell, Moortown, Leeds. (1975)
EXCHANGE, two 1914 Norwich cocks for men's strong boots, rights, not nailed; sell 30/-: 57, Fairfield-st., Leicester. (1982)
WHAT offers in cage birds for good black and tan dog, two years old, good house dog: Knight, Fruiterer, Merthyr. (1985)
VORD dog, 12/6; exchange Canaries, quarter-plate camera, 40/-, gun, fowls; offers: 1, Fir Bank, Cwm-felintach, Ynysdd. (1975)
SELL or exchange quantity best tinman's solder, also large leg vice, suit blacksmith, etc.: Napier, 54, Bulwer-rd., Edmonton. (1975)
200 CYLINDER phonograph records, new condition, 4/6 doz.; offers anything; letters only: Chadwick, Tool Dealer, Wrexham. (1966)
EXCHANGE good Lurcher dog, kill anything, demon on chain, for birds or anything useful: Ball, 43, Milton-rd., Wealdstone. (1982)
MODEL steam railway, complete with station, signals, etc.; exchange Crests or model beam engine: Osborne, John-st., Sligo. (1981)
EXCHANGE, 36 cylinder records for 2 singing cock Canaries, Yorkshire, or Norwich: Tucker, 27, Horse-st., Dowla's, S.W. (1973)
BULL Dalmatian bitch, excellent guard, 10/-; or what offers in exchange: Geo. Rose, 85, Forest-rd., Hugglescote, Leicestershire. (1975)
EXCHANGE 6 ivory handled knives and pen-knife, for 1 cock or three hen Canaries: Marsden, 175, St. Philips-rd., Sheffield. (1986)
EXCHANGE, a pair of Yorkshire Canaries for a boy's suit or topcoat or boy's boots; yours first: T. Brown, 21, Foxhouses, Whitby. (1981)
FOUR pairs Yorkshires, 8/- pair; or exchange Orpington pullets; yours first: Thomas Greenwood, Cross Lanes, Hebdon Bridge, Yorks. (1977)
EXCHANGE oil stove, "Reform," new brass lamp, value £1, for Canaries or other birds: Standard Aviarics, Newton Heath, Manchester. (1986)
THREE pairs racing Homers, winning strains; exchange Roller cock; sell 10/6; Roller first: T. Bedleston, Primrose-terr., Shrewsbury. (1981)
WINNING E.P. Homers, winning O.E. Spangle Bantams, from 5/- each; or exchange for cage-birds; approval: Thomas, Vivaduct, Redruth. (1981)
LAYING pullets, singing Canaries, Parrots, etc.; given in exchange for other fancy; live stock bought: Barlow's Aviarics, Greenwich. (1986)
CHAMPION toy Fox Terrier bitch pup, 15 weeks, 22/6; bargain: exchange considered: approval: Nicholson, 165, Horninglow-st., Burton-on-Trent. (1981)
TWO pedigree smooth Fox Terriers, bitches, sell 15/- each, or exchange ferrets, Canaries, pigeons to value: Ernest Barker, Bondgate, Helmsley. (1983)
COLLAPSIBLE all-iron pigeon or bird shooting trap, equal new, cost 20/-, price 7/6; or useful exchange: Pennal, Totteridge, High Wycombe, Bucks. (1981)
TWELVE 10 inch double-sided Zonophone and other records, new condition; exchange Canaries: Hamerton, Camden Hill-rd., Norwood, London.
WHAT OFFERS in birds (any kind) for good bred black Schipperke bitch, also pure Buff Orpington cockerel, 1912: Chivers, Mendip View, Radstock.

EXCHANGE two Sib. good hen, sure mulers, last year's, for good Norwich cock, a young one; George Stoker, East Benton Farm, Long Benton, Newcastle.

EXCHANGE young pet performing monkey, drills like a soldier, for Canaries, Parrot, or sell 25/-; Standard Aviaries, Newton Heath, Manchester.

WILL exchange good Irish terrier dog for good singing rollers or Goldfinch Mule, no rubbish; or sell 10/-; W. Williams, 21, Park Hill, Tredgarn.

AT HANG, pair new order covers, 28 by 17, wired, cost 12/-, another pair good condition (dundup), sell 6/6; bargain! Parr, Middle-st., Nottingham.

BANTAMS, White Wyandotte cockerel, 7 1/2; trio Partridge Pekin, 19/6; Black Wyandotte cockerel, 7/6; pullets, 5/-; exchange: White-corbett, Northallerton.

LIVER and black Springer, four months, sell 10/-, or exchange anything smart bird, make a worker; Broomfield, Farm Cottage, Stocksbridge, near Sheffield.

LOVELY even marked Fox Terrier bitch, 15/-; also good wire-haired bitch, 15/-; exchange Canaries, poultry, anything useful; Smith, Lower Green, Tipton.

WANTED offers in cock Canaries, for handsome ady's silver watch, value 15/-; approval both ways; make good present; Woods, 51, Wharfedale-rd., Long Jon, N.

WANTED, good concertina, melodeon, youth's cycle; give advice Waltham watch or pair Lyons rollers; approval, what offers; Hopkinson, 161, Leeds-rd., N.E.M.

ROUCH-HAIRD Anglo-France Terrier bitch, 11 months, in exchange, well grown, 25/-; exchange Roller Canaries; approval; Pounce Constable Mathers, Mytholmroyd, Yorks.

EXCHANGE 12 box cages, self-cleaning, 18L x 4 1/2, six flying homers, for 8-kins or 6 (dun) 9-ers, cocks, or Cinn. Borders; Alex. Rea, 27, St. Mary-st., Arbroath.

TALKING Jay, 8/-; Hen Haviluch 2/6; Mandoline 15/-; but, 2/-; pair Mankins 3/6; gent's cycle 50/-; exchange for Canaries or Mules; 25, Lamworth-rd., Gt. Ouse.

LOOK for Pairs of high-class Yorkshires for sale, or exchange anything useful, drapery preferred, approval; Smith, 27, Stanley-rd., Ingrow, Kettlewell, Yorkshire.

WILL exchange prize-bred Yorkshires for gramophone and records, must be good; no rubbish; Rose, The Courthouse, East Clendon, Guildford, Surrey.

LITURE lantern, fitted limelight, 25/-, photo, good condition, near offer, also mandoline, 15/-; rather banjo, 15/-; photo; Pardoe, 16, Mortimer-rd., Cardiff.

SHEFFIELD safety razor, 2 blades, new, will exchange for good bull Crested hen or yellow crest hen, approx., yours first; Vasele, 79, Dundas-st., Gt. Ouse, S.S.

CHICK Goldfinch, cock Greenfinch, Canary reared, two Hen Canaries, bird net, 12L x 4 1/2; exchange rollers, what offers; yours first; A. Hawkins, Rumer Hill, Camock.

WHAT offers, cock Canaries only, for white satin quilt, coloured quilt, pair white hemmed bed sheets, all full bed size, quite new; 76, Derg-st., Seaford.

LOVELY litter Fox terrier puppies, evenly marked, dogs 10/-, bitches 7/6; or exchange Canaries, British or Foreign birds, no rubbish offered, none wanted; Ansell, 4, Davis-st., Shelton, Stoke-on-Trent.

EXCHANGE, two pairs Norwich, three hens, live double breeding cage, complete, for anything suitable for boy; motor-car preferred, or what offers, anything value 35s. 6d.; Howard, High-st., Malden.

WILL give value in clothing, boots, shoes, blankets, sheets, household goods, etc., in exchange for birds, or live stock of any description; Manager, Exchange Stores, 113, Princess-st., Manchester. (Established 1881).

EXCEPTIONAL offer, for one week only, one pair of blankets, given in exchange for one cock or four hen Canaries, sent carriage paid to; Bankrupt Stock Co., 316, Oldmoor-rd., Newton Heath, Manchester.

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Prices gone up, never mind; we offer gent's box calf or ladies' glaze kid, worth 15/- per pair, for 3 cock Canaries; note, everything for home given in exchange for Canaries or cages; Exchange Co., 355, London-rd., Sheffield. (1908)

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CAVIES for sale from 1/- a pair to 2/6, good bred stock, room wanted; or exchange; Gould and Sou's Cage Works, Little South-st., Coventry. (1910)

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GUINEA pigs, 12 hundred in stock, all colours, adults 2/- each; half-grown, 1/6 each; young ones, 1/- each; Reynolds, Pack Horse Yard, Westgate, Bradford.

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RED rough-coated Irish Terrier, male, 15 months, docked, good house dog; Jones, Pentwyn, Treorchy, Glam. (1915)

LOVELY Yorkshire puppies, two months old, dogs 15/-, bitches 10/-; Mrs. Harrison, New Inn, Langley Mill, Notts.

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TWO game Bull-Airedale dog puppies, seven weeks, 7/6 each; bitch, 5/6; make denim guards; Barrow, Tobaccoist, Greenwich. (1916)

BLACK Pomeranian dog, 18 months old, price £1, or exchange singing Canaries; George Tunnicliffe, Bank House, Sil-den, via Keighley. (1912)

JET-BLACK Pomeranian, male, 10 months, make grand stud dog, 25/-; exchange Canaries; Lea, 55, Waterloo-square, Camberwell. (1914)

BLACK and tan smooth-coated terrier, Airedale size, good guard, 10/-; or exchange Canaries; Botwright, Haid-esser, Huddleigh, Suffolk. (1912)

BEEL bitch breeder and mother, four years, due season, sell £5; or exchange racing byke, Canaries; Kendall, Folding Scholes, Cleckheaton. (1915)

FOX terrier pup, even marked, black and tan head, white body, sell 7/6; exchange hen Canaries or British; Rendle, 21, Bridgest., Hornerton. (1912)

PEDIGREE black Toy Poms, 2 months, from 12/6; exchange poultry, Canaries; others, particularly; Carnow, 40, Thornleigh-rd., Horfield, Bristol. (1911)

JET-BLACK Pomeranian, male, 15 months, profuse coat, splendid plume, affectionate with children, sacrifice £1; Dayenport, Hay Mills, Birmingham. (1912)

NET-BROWN Toy Pomeranian dog, 18 months, also black Toy bred, 30/-, both champion pedigrees; exchange anything; Redhead, Bootle, Camberland.

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FOR sale, 24 working homers, flown 150 upwards; offers, part money, Canaries; Stewart, Roman-place, Palace, Bathwell, Scotland. (1913)

EIGHT working homers, flown Swindon and Bourne-month, all rung, 4/- each; or exchange for Parrot and cage, or anything useful; Thompson, 11, Robert Stanley-st., Bolton. (1910)

Rabbits.
SEVERAL young bucks, cheap, does from 1/6 to 2/6; 7 to 13 weeks old, 16d. to 1/4 each; G. V. Harrison, Haffenden, High Halden, Kent. (1913)

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SPORT: the Sure Shot Catapult, with quantity of shot, 1/-; net traps, catch any birds alive, 1/- and 1/3; best bird-lime, 4d. tin; all post free; Wicks Bros., Norwich. (1912)

GRAND sport; powerful pocket catapults, powerful for rabbits, rats, pigeons, etc., with 50 rounds ammunition, 1/3; two 2/3; 500 ammunition, 1/4, all post free; Young, Netmaker, Crewkerne, Somerset. (1911)

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FOR sale, pair of Silver Pheasants, no reasonable offer refused; Lewis, Corstorphine, Ryde. (1912)

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TWO splendid fawn 2 1/2 white Indian Runner ducks, March hatched, 1/- each, two grand working ferrets, 4/- each; Palmer, 24, Abbey-rd., Bourne, Lincs. (1917)

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SMOOTH-COATED Retriever dog, 3 1/2 years, also Spaniel dog, 10 months, both special with gun, also wild fowl, sell £3 two, or separate; or nearest offers; Bond, Lamphay, Pembrokeshire. (1915)

BEAUTIFUL slightly crossed Pomeranian dog, 12 months, lovely coat, sits up walks on hind legs, several other tricks, sharp house guard, 7/6, exchange; Richards, Stafford-av., Bulwell. (1917)

GRAND large Retriever dog 18 months, no 3/4 determined guard, person or property; found of water, retrieves and would save life, excellent follower; no vice; accept £1; Dayenport, Hay Mills, Birmingham. (1916)

DOG collars, best bridle leather, brass studs, name and address on, 1/4; plates only, names and addresses, 7d.; chains, 1/-; worn powders, 9d.; mange cure, 7d. tin; post free; Young, Netmaker, Crewkerne, Somerset.

AIREDALE dog, three years, perfect guard, pedigree, 15/-; also Airedale bitch puppy, nine months, good pedigree, 15/-; or exchange British or Yellow Norwich hens; yours first; G. Broad, Portland-st., Hanley, Staffs. (1910)

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PRETTY little pure Pomeranian female 17 months, 7lbs., beautiful stand-off coat, perfect ear and tail carriage, no white, clean house trained, perfect little picture, good pedigree, 20/-; Wilkshaw, 88, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1910)

LITTER of three, fine healthy, robust, well grown puppies, eight weeks, size pure Airedale (5 lbs.), dam pure Labrador (16 lbs.), make splendid gnarls and sportsman's dogs, 7/6, bitch 6/-; exchange Canaries; Wilkshaw, 88, Hermit-st., Nottingham. (1910)

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BLACK Mastiff Retriever bitch, 5 months, resembles Mastiff Retriever size now, will make monster; also black wavy Retriever, 5 months, retrieves tenderly; also good black Greyhound Retriever bitch, resembles Greyhound, make 26 in., and a d-d game pedigree Fox Terrier bitch, kill anything, pedigree contains 10 champions, 10/- each; approval deposit; exchange good songsters, anything useful; Wright, Gamekeeper, Selston, Notts. (1910)