

the canna, nasturtium, phlox, trumpet-flower, salvia and a host of others.

HABITS: Very friendly and but little afraid of man, comes close to houses and gardens. If caught he often feigns death in order to make his escape. They fight fiercely with each other, such combats even resulting in death. Such fights are always on the wing. The young are fed by the parents just as pigeons feed their squabs, that is, the food is predigested by the mother and pumped from her crop into the throats of the little birds. The young fly after about three weeks. At first they rest often on perches. Later they are seldom off the wing.

