

the clouds when too young. Mr. Caperson bought two of them and I am sure if they were no good he would soon have told me. In fact he and Mr. Thompson have the strain and if any westerners want to know if they are any good they may find out by writing to Neenah, Wis. This I have no doubt they will gladly inform them.

This season the first nest gave me a bird whose head is the exact counterpart of the head of the hen I sold Mr. Gill. But the present youngster is going to be a splash. The second nest has given me the greatest surprise of all. The youngster has feathers on his legs two inches long, and I am puzzled to know where he got them. The father is very slightly muffed, and the grandfather on the father's side was lightly muffed, and the mother on the mother's side was nicely muffed, but all the rest of her ancestors for four generations back were and are clean legged. In addition to this only one of her antecedents as far back as I can trace had pearl eyes, all the rest had and have black eyes, except his mother and she's odd eyed, but this youngster has both pearl eyes. Again, I can trace no antecedents, but evidently there is blue in the strain. The mother shows it and some of her young have shown it, but this youngster shows it more conspicuously by his blue breast. He is a pure red badge with a light blue breast, white leg feathers, flight and tail.

Coming with the surprise is the conundrum, whence this breeding? How many generations back did the blue enter in? What kind of progenitor was it that brought this feathering into the family? Was it a Trumpeter do you think Mr. Editor. W. STEVENS.

#### QUERIES AND ANSWERS.

*Editor Pigeon Fancier.*

**M**AY I molest you with a request re English Carriers? Kindly answer the following questions: Is there a sure cure for canker in the mouth? if so, what is it and how treated? Kindly explain how spouts are taken from the eyes and how to treat the eyes after the operation is done? What would be the proper food for the Carrier for a week, if a change during that time: when? Please explain the best way to ship these birds to different shows by express, how to pack, etc., in wooden boxes or part canvas, dimensions, etc.?

PEA CARRIER.

[By looking through the back numbers of the PIGEON FANCIER you will find all the information you are seeking. Ed.]

#### STOCK TRANSFERS.

From the loft of Thos. W. Davis, Peoria, Ill., to E. L. May, Indiana, Ills, two pair blue black barred Swallows; two pair black barless Swallows; one pair red barless Swallows; one pair yellow barless Swallows; one red and one yellow barless cock and one pair black Magpies.

From the loft of C. F. Wagner to Robt. Burroughes, Toronto, his entire stud of Jacobins, including prize winners.

To C. Massie, Port Hope, one fine white Jacobin cock which has never been beaten in this country.

From the loft of C. M. Sweeney, Detroit, Mich., to G. S. Boller, Cherry Creek, N.Y., one imported dun Carrier hen, "Lady Leah," 1890 hatch, "Ludlow" strain, one black Carrier cock, "Chauncey M.," 1893 hatch, price \$75 for the pair; one black Barb cock and one dun barb hen (both many times first prize winners); one black Carrier cock and one dun Carrier hen, both '93 hatch.

To H. H. Ellerbrake, St. Louis, Mo., one pair blue Carriers.

To J. H. Baulch, Port Hope, Ont., one silver dun Carrier hen.

To George Quinton, St. Joseph, Mo., one pair silver dun Carriers.

To L. Schmidt, Quincy, Ill., one pair red barbs and one pair Homers.

To F. R. Phillips, Chicago, Ill., seventeen pairs Homers.

To H. J. Nielson, Chicago, Ill., one pair Homers.

To F. F. Bock, Battle Creek, Mich., eight pairs Homers.

To C. W. Clark, Gloversville, N. Y., nine pairs Homers.

To G. H. Kinzel, Winchester, Va., three pairs Homers.

To Alfred Geddes, Ottawa, Ont., two pairs Homers.

To J. D. Hopkins, Springfield, Ill., one pair Homers.

To R. L. Davis, Battle Creek, Mich, three pairs Homers.

#### SHE HATED THE FEATHERED TRIBE.

"Tom, you ask me to be your wife, to give you my heart, my all. Think well of what you say, and then tell me if you will grant me one small favor?"

"Anything you ask, my love."

"Then promise me that you will never keep another chicken as long as you live."

"I promise, dear."

"And doesn't it cost you a pang?"

"Not a pang. I'd rather keep pigeons any day."