

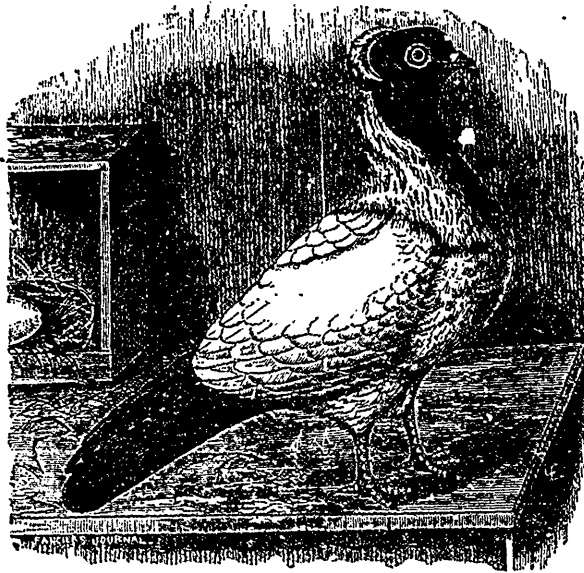
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NUNS.—(Continued.)

[From the International Standard of Excellence for Judging Fancy Pigeons.]

THREE VARIETIES: *Black*, Intense and glossy; black beak; pearl eyes. *Red*, Rich chestnut; dark brown beak; pearl eyes. *Yellow*, Clear and even; light beak; pearl eyes.

COLOR AND MARKING.—Head entirely black in color, extending to the crest, and terminating there in a distinct line, and falling back of the ear in a well defined line to its lowest part in the centre of the neck, which should be about one and a half inches from the lower mandible of the beak; the ten primary flights and their under coverts must be black or colored; the tail also black or colored to match, the division line being across the rump and around to the vent.

COMMON DEFECTS.—Blue black; dingy red; light or faded yellow; misshapen or irregular crown; low crown; unequal or lop-sided veil; foul marked or odd sided flights; stained shoulder butts; mis-markings; disease or deformity.

POINTS OF MERIT.

Size, medium,	4
Body, plump,	2
Head, high,	4
Breast, plain,	2
Beak, spindle,	2
Wart, small and neat,	2
Eyes, prominent and clear white,	6
Crest or crown, large, regularly shaped and well raised up to an edge, and pure white	10
Condition,	2
Color, head and veil,	12
“ beak,	2
“ primaries,	8
“ veil,	4
Perfection,	60

The most important points to be observed are accuracy of markings, shape, size and regularity of crest and crown, and richness and purity of color.