

Pigeon and Pet Stock Department.

NOTE.

A WELL known English breeder, Mr. Tom Rule, offers in this issue, an exceptional chance of obtaining well bred and winning pigeons of several varieties. Mr. Rule may be reached by cable, by anyone wishing to close a sale, by addressing "Rule" Wortley Leeds.

CHANGE OF TIME AT WORLD'S FAIR.

THE following letter is a reply to one we wrote Mr. Buchanan, asking if the length of time for exhibiting pigeons had been reduced. The latter paragraph refers to the ornamental class.

Mr. H. B. Donovan,
Sec'y., Canadian Kennel Club,
118 Victoria Street, Toronto, Can.

Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of the 3rd inst., the period for the Pigeon Exhibition has been shortened, so that the exhibit will take place between Oct. 16th to Oct. 21st, inclusive. No change has been made in reference to the other class you mention.

Very respectfully yours,

W. I. BUCHANAN,
Chief, Department of Agriculture.
(In charge, Dept. of Live Stock).

MARKING PIGEONS.

ASK the opinion of exhibitors on the subject contained in the following letter from Mr. Geddes. Our reply in brief was that we saw no harm in it, as this cry of "dishonest judge" had become nauseating, but that in deference to the ideas of some exhibitors who objected to it, we always refrained from marking our own exhibits.

H. B. Donovan, Esq.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir,

At our regular monthly meeting last Monday evening a discussion took place, as to what extent the marking of pigeons in the show pen was allowed. I was instructed to write and ask your opinion in the matter. Will you kindly let me know if it is allowable to stamp the owners name in full on the wing feathers, and to what extent marking is allowed.

Yours truly,
ALFRED GEDDES, Sec.

THE ENGLISH CAVY CLUB.

STANDARDS AS ADOPTED.

PERUVIANS.

THE fur should be fine, silky, and glossy; the fringe should fall well over the nose; the shoulders should be so furnished that the fur hangs in a thick mane on each side of the head; the face should be short, and the eyes large and full.

Points to Count.

Length of coat	20
Head furnishings	20
Mane	10
Texture of fur	15
Colour	10
Face and Eyes	5
Size	10
Condition	10

Total 100

ABYSSINIANS.

Should be large throughout and broad at shoulders; the fur must be rough, wiry, and formed into as many rosettes as possible, the head must be well furnished with fur.

Points to Count.

Rosettes	20
Coat short and wiry	20
Colour	15
Length of fur not to exceed 1 1/2 inches....	10
Shape	10
Size	10
Head furnishings	10
Condition	5

Total 100

ENGLISH.

No. 1. Self.—Colours; black, red, cream, and whites; in black the colour must be a very deep lustrous raven, the same colour going down to the skin; in reds the colour should be as deep as possible, with ears, feet, &c., to match; creams to lose ten points in colour to either of above.

No. 2. Tortoiseshells.—The colours should be red and black, and equally distributed about the body in distinct patches in various shapes; the smaller and more uniform the patches the better.

No. 3. Brindles.—The colours to be black and red intermixed evenly all over the head, body, feet, &c., with black and red hairs in equal proportions.

No. 4. Tortoiseshell and White.—The colours should be black and red and white equally distributed about the Cavy in as small patches as possible, but each colour should be clear and distinct without being intermixed one with the other; the ears may be either one, two or the whole three colours.