

PIGEON NOTES FROM PORT HOPE.

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WATCH your birds closely at this season of the year for moulting goes hard with some of them.

A sun bath is excellent on mild days and seems to act as a stimulant to the birds.

Another breeding season is now over and the boys are all looking over their youngsters for future prize-winners. Some good ones have been raised and we think there is marked improvement in quality all round.

Several of our fanciers have lately added more new, and expensive specimens, and in their specialties will be able to get into the front ranks at any show.

The pigeon list at our coming exhibition this winter will be larger and better than ever. Pouters will have sections for all colors as also Jacobins, Trumpeters, Carriers, Turbits, etc. We hope to see every breeder represented. Come along boys, and have a good time, you will find plenty of "pigeon cranks" in Port Hope and a few good pigeons too.

Mr. J. B. Jones, Toronto, and Mr. R. C. Binning, Montreal, were in town a few days ago, and spent several pleasant hours inspecting the birds. We are always pleased to have visitors call, and will show them around with pleasure.

I have received a copy of the Peoria, Ill., Columbarian Association's Prize List, to be held November 28th, 29th, 30th, December 1st to 3rd. Their list is very extensive and some good specials are offered, but no cash in regular classes—1st premium being a blue rosette, 2nd a red do., 3rd a white ribbon. We wish them a most successful show, and were the distance not so great, would be tempted to send along some birds.

In my report of Pigeons at the Industrial in last issue of FANCIER, re Archangels, should read very nice *peaks*, not beaks as printed.

Mr. Editor, please allow me to congratulate you on the last issue of the PIGEON FANCIER. I think it is a great improvement in connection with the POULTRY REVIEW.

The cut of blue pied Pouter cock alone is worth the price of subscription. Every breeder and fancier throughout the land should support it, subscribe for and advertise in it, and every one should write for it. There are scores of old, and young fanciers too, who go on breeding and showing from year to year, yet never think of writing up an article or sending in some news for their paper, to help keep up the interest in same, and strengthen the hands of the editor. Come boys, wake up and let us hear from you.

STANDARD FOR THE JACOBIN PIGEON.

AS ADOPTED BY THE AMERICAN JACOBIN CLUB.

BEAK. Short and thick, well curved downwards, forming a continuation of curve of skull, and flesh color.

HEAD. Small, flat between the eyes, with full appearance in front.

EYES. Centre, black, surrounded by pearl or light grey.

HOOD. Long, fitting well down on head, even at edge, crossing the head in a line with the front of the eyes.

CHAIN. Fitting close and even from back to breast, standing well out, giving a curved line from hood to breast.

MANE. Full, being well filled out at back, even at edge, and fitting in evenly with the hood,

ROSE. Shape, oval, in a line slanting across bottom of neck.

SIZE AND SHAPE OF BODY. Breast full, long and slender. The back to be narrow, flat and straight.

WINGS. Rather low at butts, flights resting on tail.

CARRIAGE, Sprightly, the head carried about eight inches from the ground.

LEGS AND FEET. Short, and free from feathers below the hock, color red. Feet small and fine, with claws same color as beak.

RUMP. Smooth, flat and narrow.

TAIL. Narrow and straight in line with the back.

COLOR. Red, blacks and yellows, sound, lustrous, and even, from lower mandible to vent, with rump, tail, ten flights, and head white. Whites pure throughout.

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TWO NEW CASES.

FRRIEND. "Well, Doc, how is business?"

DOCTOR. "Fine." "Got two new cases in the next room."

FRRIEND. "What, smallpox?"

DOCTOR. "No, pigeons."