

management of these exhibitions we must look for the successful carrying out of this idea; a little extra exertion on their part would secure the desired end, and we have no doubt in numerous cases it need only be suggested to be acted upon. Not until this or some such course be pursued will the desired end be gained; an inducement must be held out to farmers to induce them to

introduce the "new fangled" breeds to their farm yards. Once there their superiority over the common barn-door fowl will become too apparent not to be recognised by the watchful eye of the farmer or his thrifty helpmate, and the meaningless assertion that "Fowls don't pay" be proved to a demonstration to be untrue, in theory and in fact.



Pigeons.

ABOUT CARRIER PIGEONS.

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The first thing to be done is to get a good start by buying well bred birds from reliable stock, you must know and

see the birds your purchases are descended from; this I consider of immense importance, for I would certainly rather have a bird of good blood and undoubted pedigree, than a better bird I knew nothing about. Although this principle is admitted by all perhaps, yet few will practically carry it out, or believe my theory upon buying from me—and of this I had a marvellous instance at my English Sale, when a hen that was