

PIGEONS AT MONTREAL.

JUDGES REPORT.

Pouters—Sixteen entries. Poor all through, might with proper training and care be much improved. *Carriers*—Six entries. The judge thought all but two, a black cock and white cock, too poor to award cards to. *Dragoons*—Ten entries. The winners in the other color class, blue chequer, a grand pair, good in size, shape and cere. *Babs*—Ten entries. A medium class with exception of any other color. A fair pair of reds entered as duns, would easily have won 2nd in their proper class, thrown out through wrong entry. *Tumblers*, short face—Too many pleasant faced birds in this class. The best in the class a red splash hen winner of 1st in the AO color class. Winners in Almonds a good pair in poor feather. Long face, prizes went to good reds and a black bald. Some birds shown here very dirty, a good wash would improve them. *Swallows*—A grand pair blacks won, followed by good pair blacks as 2nd, red or yellow. Good red won 2nd, fair same color. *Nuns*—A grand little lot, 1st and 2nd grand black cocks, hens also good blacks. *Owls*—First silver hen a beauty all over, good body, head beak and gullet, 2nd blue, 1st cock a big headed blue, 2nd a fair silver; any other color, first to a nice pair blue chequers, 2nd white cock and silver chequer hen. *Africans*, four pairs, 1st neat whites, 2nd also whites, a bit too big, 3rd poor silver chequers, any other variety firsts good black. *German Beards*, 2nd neat pair red mags. *Jacobins* rather a middling lot, prizes in color class to whites. *Fantails*, a good class but small, especially whites. Winners in this color will stand a lot of beating. *Antwerp* winners all good, too many shown of the Homer type. *Trumpeters*, a pretty good class. *Turbits*, a good large entry, winners in red or yellow first class pair yellows, hard to beat, 2nd yellow cock fair, hen fair red, not much choice between 2nd and 3rd. In any other color, blacks won, extra good pair, 2nd pair blues, 3rd black. *Blondinettes and Satinettes* a nice little lot, winners well ahead. *Archangels* a fair lot.

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PIGEONS AT SHERBROOKE.

Nuns, black 1 Fletcher, 2 Reid. *Carriers*, dun 1 Reid. *Pouters*, red 1 Reid. *Tumblers*, short faced, 1 Reid, 2 and 3 Fletcher; any other variety, 1 and 3 Fletcher, 2 Reid. *Jacobins*, red 1 Reid, black 1 Reid. *Fantails*, white 1 Reid, black 1 Reid, blue 1 Fletcher, 2 Reid. *Antwerps*, silver dun, 1 Reid; any other variety, 1 Fletcher, 2 Osborne, 3 Reid. *Barbs*, black 1 Reid. *Turbits*, 2 Reid. *Archangels*, 1 Reid. *Owls*, 1 Reid. *Swallows*, 1 Fletcher.

PIGEONS AT LONDON.

Carriers, pair black, 1 and 2 Axtell. *Pouters*, white 1 Burroughes, 2 Axtell; red or yellow pied, 1 and 2 Axtell. *Tumblers*, short-face, 1 and 2 Burroughes; any other variety, 1 Axtell, 2 Burroughes. *Jacobins*, red and yellow, 1 and 2 Barber; any other color, 1 Burroughes, 2 Barber & Co. *Fantails*, white 1 Burroughes; any other color, 1 and 2 Burroughes. *Barbs*, black, 1 Axtell. *Trumpeters*, Russian. 1 and 2 Burroughes. *Turbits*, any color, 1 Armstrong, 2 Axtell. *Archangels*, 1 and 2 Burroughes. *Owls*, 1 Axtell. *Swallows*, 1 Burroughes. *Nuns*, 1 and 2 Burroughes. *Magpies*, 1 Burroughes, 2 Axtell. *Dragoons*, 1 Axtell, 2 Burroughes.

PIGEONS AT GUELPH.

Pouters, pair, Readwin. *Carriers*, Readwin. *Tumblers*, Readwin. *Fantails*, white 1 and 2 Tyson, blue 1 and 2 Tyson; any other variety, 1 and 2 Tyson. *Owls*, blue Tyson, Readwin; any other variety, Readwin & Co, Readwin. *Barbs*, red Tyson, black Tyson, Readwin. *Turbits*, yellow, Readwin; any other variety, 1 and 2 Readwin. *Antwerps* Readwin & Co, Readwin. *Magpies*, Readwin & Co, Readwin. *Swallows*, 1 and 2 Readwin; extra special, 1 and 2 Readwin.

A HAWK OUTWITTED BY PIGEONS.

A remarkable account of the ingenious manner in which a flock of pigeons outwitted a hawk, which was trying to make a meal of one of the birds, is thus related:—"A flock of pigeons were one day cut off from their cote by a large hawk. The pigeons knew instinctively that if the hawk once got above them, one at least, of their number would go to make the hawk a meal, and so up they flew in circles, perhaps hoping to go higher than the hawk. In the rising game they were no match for the hawk. The latter kept under the pigeons, and leisurely followed their laborious movements. Then came a curious and unexpected sight. When they appeared to be the size of sparrows, every pigeon closed its wings and dropped down past the hawk at a terrific rate. That astonished the hawk. It actually dodged the dropping birds, and missed half a dozen wing strokes before it got in full chase of them. When it got down to the barnyard not a pigeon was in sight—some were in the cote, some in the porch, two in the well-house, and one was in the kitchen. The hawk had been outwitted completely."—*Fur and Feather*.