

bluish cast. Dragoons to win now-a days must be of the cobby type.

Antwerps are few. Silver duns and red chequers being the most prominent. I noticed some old winners among these. When I say Antwerps I do not mean Homing pigeons. Some people think Homing pigeons are Antwerps but they are two distinct breeds and as different in type as a Carrier is to a short faced Tumbler.

Barbs - Only eight on exhibition. First black cock has a good leak and jaw wattle, but is rough and uneven in eye wattle, his skull is wedge shaped. There are not as many of those broad parallel skulled birds shown now a days as there used to be. Reds are good, though a little faulty in skull. One white Barb is shown, a very fair specimen for his color.

Show-Homers form a nice class, all being of good quality. First hen is an old winner, I think is getting too thick in head and gullet, the same may be applied to the cocks. I noticed a black chequer hen in this class, to my mind is the best Show Homer on exhibition, having a beautiful circular sweep from front of beak to back of skull, her beak-wattle being very fine in texture, close fitting and kept well within the circular profile. She also has a short thick body tapering quickly to the tail, a feature of much importance in this variety.

Turbits are a nice lot. I noticed two black-wing cocks both teeming with quality. They have grand sweep of skull and nice peak crest, skull broad, with very short thick beak, down faced and good gullet, cheeks full and eyes bolting. The contrast of the black and white color makes them very attractive.

Swallows are few but well up in quality. The first black cock is a beauty, having a well marked head, with full shell crest and grand wing and foot markings. The foot feathers are long and well spread.

Trumpeters are a small class but the winners are well worthy of mention. It is a wonder to me that more breeders do not take hold of this beautiful variety.

Magpies are few, though some nice birds among them. I noticed some of the old type, viz: crested and tumbler headed birds in this class. It is time we were getting more of the long, lean, snaky headed type in our shows. What is the use of color if we had not got the shape? I think if more notice was taken of shape in this variety and less of color for a while, we might soon expect to see some typical Magpies.

Nuns were out in good shape. The winners were very coarse in head and beak. The head of a Nun should be like

the head of a long-faced Tumbler in shape. Markings of course count considerably, but they should not precede the shape altogether.

Cwls form a nice class. I noticed several good round headed birds among these. A black chequer, especially, is a beauty. Strange to say that this variety always seems to have a tendency to be a little flat on top of the head though they may be perfect in other respects.

A suggestion in reference to coops might not be out of place. Would it not be far better both for exhibitors and judge if the different varieties of pigeons and pet stock were cooped together? This could be accomplished if coops were made uniform, particularly if they were the same height, say 18 inches, and in two compartments, say not exceeding 18 inches square, or each coop 3 ft. long by 18 inches wide and 18 inches high, or for small varieties they could be made 18 inches high by 14 inches wide and 28 inches long, divided into two compartments. These could be set side by side and all Carriers could be placed together as also could Jacobins, Fantails, etc. These coops could be easily handled, and they would not require to be made of heavy lumber and would not cost any more to ship to exhibitions than those now being used as expressage goes by weight.

PRIZE LIST.

Pigeons.—Carrier, black cock, H B Donovan, G J Dunn; hen, Dunn, 1 and 2; dun cock, Dunn; hen, Dunn; AOSC cock, Dunn, 1 and 2; AOSC hen, Dunn. Pouter, white cock, H G Doyle, Magill & Glidden; hen, C Massie, Doyle; blue pied cock, Magill & Glidden; hen, F C Hare, 1 and 2; black pied cock, Magill & Glidden 1 and 2; hen, Magill & Glidden, 1 and 2; yellow or red pied cock, Magill & Glidden 1 and 2; hen, Magill & Glidden 1 and 2. Tumbler, short faced cock, Donovan, Baulch; hen, Donovan, Baulch; AOV cock, Massie, Donovan; hen, Donovan, Massie; red barb cock, Donovan, W M Anderson; hen, Donovan; black barb cock, Anderson, Tyson; AOV cock, Donovan. Trumpeter, white cock, Baulch 1 and 2; hen, Baulch 1 and 2; AOSC Trumpeter cock, Baulch 1 and 2; hen, Baulch 1 and 2. Jacobin, red or yellow cock, Massie 1 and 2; hen, Massie 1 and 2; white cock, Massie 1 and 2; AOSC Jacobin cock, Massie 1 and 2; hen, Massie 1 and 2. Antwerp, red chequer cock, Donovan 1 and 2; silver-dun cock, Donovan 1 and 2; hen Donovan 1 and 2. Fantail, white cock and hen, Massie 1 and 2; blue cock, Tyson; hen, Tyson; AOSC cock, Reid, Anderson; hen, Reid, Anderson. Show Homer cock, Dunn, Donovan; hen, Donovan, Dunn. Magpie, red or yellow cock, Donovan 1 and 2; hen, Readwin &