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The Jacobin illustration in this month's REVIEW is a faithful portrayal of the imported red cock "Alexander," owned by G. E. Puer, Rochester, N. Y.

Pigeons should now be given the benefit of a good bath every day, to get thoroughly cleansed. It will soon be too cold for this, so the present fine weather ought to be taken advantage of.

I have never seen such a case in my own experience. The substance proved to be an enormous egg, fully as large as a small hen's egg, which had become corrupt and was very offensive. Could this egg have been removed by an operation at an earlier date of its formation without causing the death of the bird?

P. S. HUNTER.

Lloyds, Va., Oct. 2nd, 1884.

Any surgical operation would be sure to prove fatal. The only treatment with any chance of success would have been through steaming the vent and the application of sweet oil by the means of a feather. A drop or two of castor oil or hot treacle given internally would also have been beneficial.



The greatest distance, with best speed, yet covered by young American bred Homing Pigeons in the autumn races was made in the race of the Newark (N. J.) club Wednesday from Liberty, Va., to New York. Twenty-eight birds were started, and the first covered the distance of 376½ miles in 8 hours 13½ minutes. Several more were close on it. This was an average speed of 1,342 yards per minute, or about 46 miles per hour.

Questions and Answers..

EGG BOUND POUTER.

Editor Review.

Having tried various remedies to relieve a young Pouter hen from some unknown malady from which she had been suffering for weeks, I had her killed this morning, and finding that there was a hard substance near the vent, I expected to find a case of "gizzard fallen," although

The only case of "gizzard fallen" we ever had was that of a blue-pied Pouter hen. The back part of the bird all around the vent was swollen to an enormous extent and quite hard. It seemingly did not at all affect her general health; her appetite and condition were good, and she showed a desire to mate. This went on for several months, when she was stolen, and we lost the only opportunity of examining a case of this kind that we ever had. Now that this subject has been broached we would be glad if some fancier who has had a similar case would let us know how it ended.

A valuable Homer—one of a flock that homed 254 miles this season—became affected with wing disease, and when discovered was unable to fly to roost. I plucked the feathers pretty clear from the swollen joint, and applied tincture of iodine. Two applications made a complete cure. J. F.