FROM TOWN AND COUNTRY

KELVIN HALL SHOW DRAWS WIDE-SPREAD ATTENTION TO SCOTTISH FANCY

POR three days last week, Scotland demonstrated its strength in small-stock keeping. In the Kelvin Hall, Glasgow, on Nov. 7th, 8th and 9th, was held a show of rabbits, cavies, mice, hamsters, pigeons and cage birds, which was attended by thousands of interested people from many parts of the country. Kelvin Hall is the finest exhibition venue in Britain. It covers four acres, and for illumination and comfort is unrivalled.

The show reflected the position of small-stock keeping in Scotland. Summarising, one may say that Scotlish rabbit keeping is steadily going ahead, that hamsters and mice are a definite attraction, but that Scotlish cavy keeping requires some good team work at the present time.

Prominent features of the exhibition were the very attractive propaganda displays. The Glasgow Rabbit Club had a particularly fine stand of rabbit-fur products, including slippers, gloves, capes, mittens, muffs, toys, fur bags, scarves, ties, Angora wool, etc. The fur articles were made from the pelts of Chins. Havannas, New Zealand Reds, Silver Fox, Blue Beveren, Ermine-rex, Sable-rex, English, Lilacrex, and Black-rex. A good display of rabbit pelts also was on view. One of the features which appealed particularly to the ladies were gloves cut out ready to be made up, and for which patterns could be obtained from the stand. Some very attractive toys were on view made from the pelts of Dutch rabbits.

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Another attractive stand of fur garments, etc., was that of Messrs. D. Fairfoul and Son. Mr. Fairfoul is a B.R.C. adviser, and in this capacity did much useful work at the show. Mr. Fairfoul's firm are fur glove makers. From very small beginnings—one Belgian Hare kept in a bedroom—they have developed into commercial rabbit keepers. The garments on this stand were mostly white gloves, though among the larger articles were a White-rex coat, Sable-rex cape, Silver Fox cape, a Chin-rex tie, and an attractive set of Marten Sable cross-over tie and gloves. One wrap which was particularly pleasing was made from "pulled" Chinchilla Pulled Chinchilla pelts were often used to imitate reai Chinchilla in the days before the Chin-rex rabbit came on the scene. This particular wrap, Mr. Fairfoul said, was on view at stands organised twenty years ago, and its quality and condition is still marvellous.

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Mr. H. Brentnall, seedsman, Leek, Staffs., had a splendid display of seeds for the growing of crops to supply the rabbitry with food all the year round.

Mr. Brentnall is now well known to fanciers through his advertisement in "Fur and Feather." He recorded that through this medium over 5,000 rabbit breeders have bought seeds to grow their own green foods. Displays of hamsters and mice, not for competition, were the centre of attraction for the public. On the Saturday afternoon a queue of visitors of about thirty yards long was continuously passing along this section.

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The next big event in Scotland will be the Bellshill Fur Club show, to-morrow, Nov. 16th. This event will be fully reported in a subsequent issue.

South-Western

HAD a good day at Burnham, where plenty of entries kept secretary Withers busy (and quiet) all day. At lunchtime there was a discussion on rabbit "blows." Why do they pick such a time to discuss diseases? The majority (that is Miss Rickards and myself were positive that it is a form of indigestion; the minority (George Fray) wouldn't agree, and wouldn't give way to the said majority. Our friend, Mr. H. D. H. Dowle, won B.I.S. with a lovely Sable-rex. Charlie Dwayne also picked up another two-cups.

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Exeter provided the West with another big show of 1,240 entries. I notice that almost every show now advertises itself as the biggest in the West." If they can beat that total of rabbit entries only, then they are entitled to the laurels.

Unfortunately our show sec., Miss P. Kendall, was taken ill on the morning of the show, and was unable to put in an appearance, but we managed to get over that somehow, at least we think we did. Our show attracted entries from as far away as Darlington (what a sport Robt, Wheadon is), and visitors from Nottingham, from whence Mr. and Mrs. Harvey came to win B.I.S. with a beautiful Havana-rex. (Personally, I thought that it was the right colour, but the wrong coat.) Mr. J. Trickett, also of Nottingham, won best fancy breed with an English. There must be some good rabbits round that way.

I found another show where rabbits are well looked after—Totnes, where I saw the stock fed three times on lovely washed-clean carrots whilst I was there. I understand that secretary Drennan saw that all stock that had arrived overnight had been well fed when penned.

Bert, Dunn telsI me he has lost his best blue buck the best for several years. It came

I thank my many friends among the Havana fraternity, who supported our Exeter show so well. I notice that Walter Davis is asking for support for Havana classes. Well, we had it at Exeter—101 entries in six classes tincluding 16 in the members' classes.

George Hockin, the Camborne Dutch breeder, tells me that several shows are being arranged in Cornwall this autumn, and I ask all rabbit breeders, in the South-West particularly, to give them all the support that they can. Cornishmen always look after stock sent to Cornwall will be well fed. most probably with some of that luscious green food that you would like to give your own stock, but cannot obtain locally. Make a note of these dates: Bugle, Nov. 7th; Bodmin, Nov. 13th; Penzance, Nov. 22nd and 23rd; Redruth, Nov. 30th; St. Columb, Dec. 7th; Indian Queens, Dec. 14th; Truro, Dec. 21st. F. HAMMOND.

AGENDA FOR ENGLISH CLUB'S A.G.M

MY notes this week constitute largely matter in connection with the forticoming Annual Stock Show and Annual General Meeting of the National English R.C.

General Meeting of the National English R.C.
You will by now have received your schedule
for the above event and I hope you will
support to the best of your ability and give
the judges a real job of work to do and at
the same time make this show an outstanding event. Unfortunately Mr. Townsend feels
unfit to travel and consequently we are a
judge short. If, however, the entry is felt
to be too large for the three judges appointed
our president will nominate a successor in
place of Mr. Townsend.

The Annual General Meeting will take place
on the Friday evening and it is hoped that
as many members as are able will attend.
The agenda is:—

1. President's opening remarks.
2. Secretary's Report.
3. Minutes of the last meeting and the Extraordinary General Meeting held at Burton-on-Trent.
4. Proposition by Mr. Geo, Bates. "That in the Ideal Standard of an English Rabbit the number of body spots (chain and haunch marking) shall be specified."
5. Mr. H. Worboys proposes (a) That all correspondence between the N.E.R.C. secretary and the British Rabbit Council relative to the complaint considered and debated upon at the last A.G.M. at Middlesbrough be produced; (b) That the N.E.R.C. Secretary be called upon to explain his neglect in the matter and his failure to fulfil his undertaking given at the last A.G.M.; (c) That the whole of the recently published rules be regarded as null and void as not being in accordance with the club's constitution as now appears in the 1946 book of Rules; (d) That any ballot for the 1947 officers of the club, if it precedes this year's A.G.M. at Chesterfield, shall be invalid; (e) That no member of the executive of the club shall be eligible if such member holds any official position in the British Rabbit Council, honorary or otherwise; (f) That any affiliation fees that may have been paid to the B.R.C. for the year 1946 be considered unauthorised and be refunded by the persons using any of the club's funds for such purpose in the face of the Middlesbrough decisions; (g) That a statement be forthcoming and proof produced under what rules, if any, the last Y.S.S. at Burton-on-Trent was held.
6. Mr. T. Williams proposes: That in future Club Judges shall be elected by members in their own areas.

This completes the agenda.

I am pleased to report that we have made arrangements to obtain enamelled membership bacies for the coming year, which are of a very tasteful design, with blue enamel outer ring with the National English Rabbit Club printed thereon in white, and with an English rabbit as a contre piece. The price of these badges will be 21- each post paid and may be obtained with either a stud (for fixing into a become more

CAVY CORNER

WINNERS OF N.C.C. CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATES

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CONGRATULATIONS to the following, who have fulfilled the conditions required and have been granted certificates by the Nat. Cavy Club. A double championship has been awarded to Mr. F. Hulme, 22, Walton Road, Altrincham, Cheshire, for the following wins for his Red Abysshian boar, Ch. Red Beck: Altrincham, Fallsworth, National Cavy Club Cup Show (Grimsby), South Bradford, Yorkshire C.C., Midland C.C., Fallsworth, Otley, Bradford ch. show (Leeds), under Messrs, Stanley, Greenlees, Elkington, Hustler, Sharp and Stevenson, A double ch. cert. has been awarded to Mr. W. F. Smith, Hillcrest Caviary, 67, Hebers, Middleton, Manchester, for his Tortoiseshell and White ch. sow, Hillcrest Queen, for the following wins: Ibstock, Wibsey, Eccles, Blackpool, and Altrincham, under Messrs, P. Bruford-Keily, E. Brooke, W. H. Greenlees, G. W. Mallinson and R. J. Metcalf. A ch. cert. has been awarded to Mr. A. B. Hantons, 197 Edenfield Road Passmonds, Rochdale, for his Abys, sow, Ch. Danehurst Rosetta, for the following wins: Bradford ch. show (Leeds), V.C.C. show (Wibsey, on July 20th), Altrincham, Aby. C.S., N.C.C. Ad. SS. (Leeds), under Messrs, Greenlees, Sharp and Brooke, A championship certificate has also been awarded to Mr. W. Dawson, 18, Sixth Street, Crookhall, Consett, Durham, for his red Dutch boar, Ch. Red Success, for the following awards: Tow Law, Durham County, Stanhope, Chester-le-Street, under Messrs, Sexton, Calvert and Waller. A further certificate has been awarded to Mr. N. Orange, South Parade, Thorpe Lane, Middleton Leeds, 10, for his Cream Sow, Narville Princess, for the following awards: Shildon, Bingley, Stokesley, Grimsby and Lunesdale, under Messrs. Kent. Harrison, Sharp and Calvert. A certificate has been awarded to Mr. N. Orange, South Parade, Thorpe Lane, Middleton Leeds, 10, for his Cream Sow, Narville Princess, for the following awards: Shildon, Bingley, Stokesley, Grimsby and Lunesdale, under Messrs. Kent. Harrison, Sharp and Calvert. A certificate has been awarded to Mr. J. Platt, Cot

MEET YOUR FRIENDS IN THE CAVY WORLD

A List of Forthcoming Shows (WITH DATES OF ENTRIES CLOSING IN PARENTHESES) Nov. 22nd and 23rd Penzance November 23rd Millom (Nov. 18th) Frosterley (Nov. 16th) Peterborough (Nov. 16th) November 36th Inverurie (Nov. 23rd) Blackburn Ripponden Dundee (Nov. 26th)

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Layton
Rochdale
Yeadon
Nov. 19th and 20th
Maidstone
November 21st
King's Lvnn
(Nov. 16th)

SEE ALSO ADVERTISEMENTS IN THIS

Many fanciers in Durham County are taking up cavies as a hobby. Durham County was always a hotbed for cavies, and many noted winners were bred there. Whatever variety you take up, join the club that caters for the variety, and enjoy the privileges given to its members. They will all give you a hearty welcome. Don't forget the National Cavy Club, which caters for all varieties.

Mr. W. Reeve, Blaydon, has taken up black Selfs again, and also intends to have some Agoutis. He filled many judging engagements before the war, and is taking up judging appointments again.

I was glad to see our old friend, Mr. T. S. Short. Monkscaton, Northumberland, taking the red card at Leeds N.C.O. show with his cream. May this be the fore-runner of many more, Mr. Short.—Wm. T. Surtees, Carley Hill Gardens, Southwick, Sunderland, Co. Durham.

Cavies at Batley

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CATS AND CATDOM

HOW TO REMOVE STAINS ON FUR

CROYDON show was a very enjoyable event.
Miss Hill Shaw, that wonderful "young" lady of 85. Mr. and Mrs. Towe and helpers, are to be congratulated on a most successful cat show. It was a friendly, social meeting—so many well-known fanciers and friends were there. Those fanciers who were unable to come missed a treat.

As so many new fanciers have joined the Fancy during the war, a few practical tips will not come amiss.

Supposing you want to give your cat something—maybe some special kind of food that it would not eat on its own, or some medicine. The usual procedure is to wrap the animal in a cloth or towel. Experience, however, has taught me that, somehow, the cat always manages to wriggle out, especially if one person has to manage all by herself. Most cats hate to be given anything by hand. It have made a strong bag, 20 in. by 20 in. by

A report, by the judges, of Croydon Cat Club show will appear in next week's issue

20 in. Washable material is best, and material which will boil is better still. Put the cat into the bag and fold the open end gently around the neek, just leaving the head out. You can hold the folds together with your left hand and open the mouth at the same time. If you feel like robbing your favourite frock of its zipper, and stitching that along the opening, then you will find you are doing top-hole! It's worth trying anyway.

Should a cat have solred itself on the journey to a show, don't try to wipe it. Take a fairly wide-toothed comb and comb it out patiently. When all offending matter has been removed powder the stained fur, leaving the powder on. Before penning the animal vigorously brush out all the powder and all stains will have disappeared. Before packing your cat for the journey home give a few drops of whisky. Pour this into a very tiny gelatine capsule, as most cats hate the taste of whisky. Just open the cat's mouth and push it gently down. As there is no taste the cat will not object. A. H. CATTERMOLE.

BLUE NOTES

ON kitten losses I have received an interesting letter from Mrs. C. Prince, Derby, in which she writes: "Your recent article on Kitten losses' and Dr. Archer's reply, made some interesting reading, particularly as during my two years as a breeder of Blue Persians I have become more and more cenvinced that quite a number of 'show' animals are not good breeders. The suggested reason for this should be accepted, and as it would seem that the ability to reproduce is one of the most important factors, surely the time is ripe for the Governing Council to take up this matter in such a way that we as fanciers might benefit. It seems to me that at the moment too."

Mrs. Prince goes on to say: "Recently I paid a visit to Miss Dorothy Charke at Stourperton-Severn. She is the present owner of Mokoid Fayete, bred by Mrs. Groves, of Ludlow. I was pleased to have the opportunity of seeing him, having heard good accounts of him from time to time. He was in very good form and I am looking forward to sending my Oxley's daughter, Bayborne Dawn, had five lovely kits by Hendon Blue Robin, and I came home with the only male, Areley Rondo, a 10-week-babe, I am hoping he will follow in his father's footsteps."

R.C.T.B.C. AND B.T.

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TWO further full champions were made in our section at the Croydon Victory show on Nov. 5th. Miss Fisher's Dandy of Hadley, that striking brown Tabby, and my red, Hendon Sir Roceric. Both cats are home-bred. Dandy was sired by The Major ex Tabitha of Hadley, and started his winning career at the Notts: and Derby C.C. show last Nov. when he was reserve best cat in show. I am naturally proud of Roderic, for he owns my Ch. Hendon Lord Chancellor as father, dan Ch. Hendon Salata, so comprising both n.y. old red favourites, for Salata was Hendon Defencant's daughter.

Croydon was a most pleasant fixture. The spacious hall was bright with new paint and gay garlands were stretched across the roof. Viewed from the tiers of seats the ensemble was charming. The lining of white paper in their victory sign were very effective.

The Neuter classes were surely to be conjured with. I noticed a very handsome red Tabby and a beautiful tortoise lady amongst them. Everyone was welcomed.

Mrs. Neate's Section Leader delighted her heart by winning a championship. To crown it all the best cat in the show was a Cream male. Widdington Warden, owned and bred by Mrs. M. L. Sheppard, and sired by Miss Pelly's Theydon Sunset. Warden is a massive fellow of a lovely soft shade of cream, and she had a valuable asset in the hon, show manager, Mr. Arthur A. Towe.

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NATIONAL MOUSE CLUB NOTES AND NEWS

A TALE ABOUT A TAIL--

WHY DOES THE APPENDAGE OF THE MOUSE GROW MORE QUICKLY THAN ITS BODY?

By R. WARD

57, Cnantrey Road, Sheffield 8,

COMING EVENTS

Nov. 15th and 16th.—Annual London.

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FOLLOWING Jim Busby's notes on the use of crossbred does as fosters comes a letter from Mr Whitworth. He says:—

"I agree with what Jim Busby says about crossbred does possibly making better mothers, but there is another reason why I prefer P.E. whites.

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"Every variety I foster has black eyes, and by using P.E. whites as foster mothers I am able to recognise which are which while still in the nest."
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Mr. Barrett, of the Calder Valley Ciub, asks me to mention the show at Alponden on Nov. 30th, the advert for which will appear in Fur and Fur and the show at Alponden on Fur and the standard of the show at Alponden on Fur and the standard of the show at the samual event will develop into a really good mouse show with all guaranted classes.

I advise fanciers to get their stock off in good time to shows. In the great majority of cases the railways do a grand job of work, but there are at times unavoidable delays. There is nothing more disappointing than to open one's travelling box and find they were too late for judging. I speak feelingly on this from recent personal experience.

By the time these notes appear the annual event will be well in progress. I do not know whether Fred Plucknett has reached his coveted 1,000 entries, but I know he is well on the way.

Mr. Stephens. Truro, brought an unusual point up in a recent letter. He wants to know why the tail of a mouse grows quicker than the body. As he says at birth the tail is only half the length of the body, but by the time the mouse is six weeks old it is as long, and sometimes longer than the body. Well I, for one, do not know why, but I agree that the sold.

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One point I have noticed is that in cold weather you get a far bigger percentage of mice with short tails than during the summer. Evidently temperature has something to do with it. I believe that breeders of Lop rabbits take great care not olet the ears of their youngsters get cold.

Mr. K. Brindle's address is now 752, Whalley New Road, Brownhill Blackburn, and not as shown in the year bock. There have been several references in these notes from time to time on tri-colours, Like many other fanciers I have had many a try at them, but without success. I was, therefore, surprised the other day on looking over a litter of Dutch youngsters, to find that I have bred one. It is only a baby in the nest, but is unmistakably a tricolour. At the moment I am keeping my fingers crossed and hoping for the best. I was getting ready to start the marked breeders theme song "If that head was on this body," so this fellow turned up as a consolation prize.

I should be glad of comments from red breeders on Mr. Green's recent remarks, particularly from anyone who has tried the self chocolate cross. There is no doubt that the chief failing in reds is in type. I have bred quite a few myself, but have always used the Agoutt and Cinnamon cross. Why it should be only the reds that fall so badly in type is more than I can fathom.

In many cases where there have been letters containing two, or sometimes all three varieties the reds have always been the poorest in type.

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Within the next week or so I hope to start a series of notes on the genetics of the mouse. Mr. Hutchings, Oxford, who has made a study of the scientific side of our hobby, has kindly consented to write these, and I know they will be most useful to our older fanciers.

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Jack Watts' suggestion of a mouse scrap book is a good one, so let's have something to put in it.

After the recent remarks on Creams by Stan. Taylor and myself I was interested to hear about the Creams at Chorley show. Best Self was a Cream and B.I.S. was another cream. The owner, I believe was not a member of the N.M.C. Now you beginners and novices, don't let that happen to you. Join the club and get to know the value of your stock. The fancier I am speaking of had been breeding mice for some time and clin't even know whether they were any good or not.

One of our new members. Mr. Pizer. 23. Overthorpe Road, Thornhill. Dewsbury, has an interesting suggestion to make. It is that our older members be invited to adopt a novice, by post, the fancier being willing to help that particular novice until such time as he is able to call himself a fancier. The two people would also have formed a friendship that might lead anywhere. The novice would be privileged to pay the postage (S.A.E.) I am sure a scheme like this would be a good thing and act as a binding link.

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R. WARD, Hon. Sec.

IN TOWN TO-NIGHT

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The mouse Fancy has excelled itself and can look forward to a very fine annual show at the Horticultural Hall, to-day and to-morrow. I hear from sec. Fred Plucknett that the entry is around the 350 mark. This is, of course, an excellent form in which the Fancy has tendered its vote of thanks to the organisers of the show. I am sure the effort will be appreciated in that quarter and looked upon as an indication of the Fancy's endorsement that the National Championship Show should be a permanent annual event.

There is no doubt the fine entry is also in the nature of a tribute to Fred Plucknett, who has for over 30 years put on some wonderful shows and done a tremendous amount of work for the Fancy. Now, after many months of indifferent health, he looks upon this a his final effort. The Fancy has come forward with a splendid entry in appreciation. But you can take it from me that, given better health. Fred will not be content merely as a looker-on; we shall see and hear lots of him in the future.

We are assured of a grand show in a wonderful hall in the heart of London and I know there will be crowds of mousers present. Those unable to be present for the two days are determined not to miss the second day, to-morrow, Sat., Nov, leth, when they will be able to see the show, renew old friendships and attend the much-looked-forward-to annual general meeting. Distant fanciers will be given a hearty welcome by the local lads, including Albert Baker, who hopes to be well enough to attend. It is a show that will live long in the memories of those fortunate enough to be present.

Travellers arriving at the main line stations can, for speed, take the Underground to Victoria. Sightseers could book to Westminster, leaving the Underground apposite Big Ben and do the ten minutes' walk through Parliament Square, past westminster abbey and along Victoria Siret to Artillery Row on the left, leading to Vincent Square where they will find the Horticuliural Hall. Those with half-an-hour to spare wo

Hamster Information Pool No. 3

What the Microscope Reveals

Submitted by H. W REYNOLDS, Belvedere, T, Milford Road, Walton, Stafford.
THIS contribution is offered to the Hamster "probers" who may have taken up the friendly challenge extended recently by Mr. Edmund Battersby and it is hoped that those who have not the facilities afforded by microscopic work will find in it some very useful pointers upon which to base their "Operations Hamster" when seeking to assist Mother Nature toward supplying what many of us want—a mutation and wider competitive scope

Mr. Alfred J. Cork, D.F.M., F.Z.S., a very

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Mr. Alfred J. Cork, D.F.M., F.Z.S., a very good crient of the writer devoted a strenuous slice of his spare time to conducting a microscopic examination of the pelt of a five months Hamster male, and although reserving full copyright of his finding set out in the following report, he has permitted its submission for publication in FUR AND FEATHER for the benefit of B.H.C members. Readers comments will be welcomed, direct to me or through the medium of 'The Pool,' and Mr. Cork will be interested to note the conclusions of interested breeders.

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Here then is the report of the Microscopic Examination of pelt of Cricetus messacricetus Auratus by Alfred J. Cork. D.F.M., F.Z.S. (1/10/46).

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Bath and West and Southern Counties affective will hold a show at Callelenham from Wednesday, May 28th to Saturday, May 31st, 1947.

the general rule, the relative diameters being in the order, from coarse to fine, red, black, blue, colourless. The hair is, therefore, almost as fine at the root as at the tip.

"The 'White' hair. This is a special case. It contains a very small amount of red pigment, and is of a coarseness between that of blue and translucent.

"Hair (Detail).—All black, (x). By far the most interesting item revealed by this examination, an all-full black hair. A small cluster of these is to be found on each side of the sweat patches (described later). They are the shortest hairs on the pett and are almost hidden in life. The black pigment extends the full length of the hair.

"Half black, (a). A number of these were found in the black flashes below and behind the pouches. They are full black for half of their length and below this are one-quarter gold, one-eighth blue, and one-eighth translucent. The flash also contains hairs of type (b).

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1. 2 Duncan, GROPPER OR HORSEMAN.—
A.O. COCK: 1 Condie: 2 Wallace: 3 McCrosie.

HEN: 1 Wallace: 2 McCrosie; 3 Wallace.

MAGPIE: 1, 2, 3 Andrew. NUN.—BLACK.

OR DUN: 1, 2 Allison; 3 Abernethy. A.C.:
1 Allison; 2 Burr. and Sons: 3 Smillie.
1946: Abernethy: 2 Allison; 3 Smillie.
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1946: Jaiken, 1, 2 Aliken, MODENA: 1, 2 Aliken; 3 Hendry. 1946: 1 Aliken. MODENA: 1, 2 Aliken; 3 Hendry. 1946: 1 Smillie. L.D.

TUMBLER.—BLK. C.: 1 Cowan: 2 Dougal; 2 Wallace: 3 Smillie. L.D.

TUMBLER.—BLK. C.: 1 Cowan: 2 Dougal; 3 Wilson Bros. HEN: 1 Wilson Bros.; 2 Dougal; 3 Cowan. 1946: 1 Dougal; 2, 3 Wilson Bros. RED OR VELLOW. C.: 1, 2 Dougal; 1 BARRED OR

GRIZZLED, C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Burn and Sons. 1946: 1, 2 Dougal; BALD AND BEARD: 1 Thomson; 2 Aliken. SHOW MOMER.—COCK: 1 2 Ramsay: 3 Laing HEN: 1, spl. Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 3 Laing HEN: 1, spl. Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 1946 C.: 1 Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 1946 C.: 1 Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 1946 HEN: 1 Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 1946 HEN: 1 Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 1946 HEN: 1 Paterson; 2 3 Ramsay: 3 Laing HEN: 1, spl. Pollock: 2 Firth and Son; 3 Allan. 1946

C.: 1 Allan: 2 Pollock: 2 Allan; 3 Kirk Glen.

SURREY COLUMBARIAN SOCIETY SHOW
THE Adult show was held on Nov. 6th, at
I the Prince of Wales, Gulidford. The following were elected members: G. T. Stagg.
W. S. Preston and J. Pummell Arrangements
for the Young Stock show on Dec. 4th were
made. 111 entries were penned for competition
for the Adult cups. which were judged by
G. T. Stagg and W. S. Preston, of Middlesex
fame. Quality was good. The Fair cup for
best pigeon was won by G. Price with a Show
Homer cock of great substance. The Smith
cup for best opposite sex went to F. Luck's
Modena, and the C. Ive cup for best Racing
Homer to W. Rumn.ery
NUN.—C: 1. spl. Coomber; 2 Heath. HEN:
1, 2 Heath. ARCHANGEL—C: 1 Pinnock; 2
Steele. HEN: 1 Steele. AF, OWL.—C: 1. r,
spl., Hughes; 2 Ive. 2 Cobbett HEN: 1 Cobbett,
Pl. Y. 2, Price. HEN: 1 Price. DRAGOON.
C: 1 Highes; 2 Ive. 3 Hughes. MOBENA.—
SELEF C: 1 Luck; 2, 3 Hughes. MOBENA.—
C: 1, spl., Price. HEN: 1 Price. DRAGOON.
C: 1, spl., Price. HEN: 1, 2 spl., Edgles. MARKED: 1, 3
Steele: Ten. 1, 2, spl., Hughes; r Sears; vic.
Smith; he Cobbett. HEN: 1, 2 Steele.
Smith; he Cobbett. HEN: 1, 2 Steele.
C: 1, spl., Price. HEN: 1, 2 spl., Hughes, MOBENA.—
SELEF C: 1 Luck; 2, 3 Hughes, r Sears; vic.
Smith; he Cobbett. HEN: 1, 2 Steele.
Smith; he Cobbett. HEN: 1, 2 Steele.
TANTAIL—C: 1, spl., Pinnock; 2 Sears. HEN:
1 Sears; 2, 3 Pinnock, GEN. HOMER.—C: 1, spl., who Dadswell; r Ive.

It is with regret that I have to report the
age of 81. Mr. Cooper was well known as a
very successful Archangel breeder.

CHARLES H. POPE.

GALSTON.

HEN. 1 Calses 66, 67 and 68 should be for

Mr. Arthur Allum (sec. N.P.A.) tells us that
the secretary of the S.F. Tumbler classification. Classes 66, 67 and 68 should be for

NUN JUDGES AT THE N.P.A. SHOW
THE judges for Nuns were not appointed
prior to the schedule going to press. They
are as follows: Blacks, Mr. Sidney Russett;
Duns and A.O.C., Mr. Cyril Balchin.
Mr. Arthur Allum (sec. N.P.A.) tells us that
the secretary of the S.F. Tumbler Club says
there is an error in the S.F. Tumbler classification. Classes 66, 67 and 68 should be for
Almonds only; Splashes go into Classes 69,
70, and 71.
The N.P.A. Certificate for Pouters is for the
best Pouter, and not Standard Pied as shown
in the schedule.
A meeting of the African Owl Club will be
held on the first day of the show at 5-30 p.m.

Young: Red or Yellow, Vigar; Blue or Silver, Watt; A.O.C., Danby and Brown, Beards: Black, Empson Red or Yellow, Carr; Blue, etc., Young. Speciais: 1, 5, 11, 12, 14, 22, 23, 28, 30, 34, 35, 36, D. M. Young; 2, 6, 15, 32, 39, S. E. R. Vigar; 3, 7, 9, 10, 16, 39, J. C. Watt; 4, 8, 13, 17, Danby and Brown; 18, J. Logan; 19, T. Collin; 20, 26, 29, 31, W. J. Empson; 21, 33, A. E. Carr; 24, 27, H. Morse; 25, W. Aitken; 37, C. S. Magee; 38, F. Calam.

y Wilson Bross RED O'R YELLOWS C.: 1, 2 Bougall HEN: 1, spl. 2 Dougall: BARRED O'R GRIZZLED. C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Dougall: BARRED O'R GRIZZLED. C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Dougall: BARRED O'R GRIZZLED. C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Dougall: BARRED O'R GRIZZLED. C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Dougall: BARRED O'R GRIZZLED. C.: 1, 5 Morris; 3 Dougall: BALD AND BEARD: 1 Thomson: 2 Altken HEN: 1, spl. Paterson: 2, 3 Ramsay: 3 Lang Hen: 1, spl. Paterson: 2, 3 Ramsay: 3 Lang Hen: 1, spl. Paterson: 2, 3 Ramsay: Ballang: 1 Faterson: 2, 3 Ramsay: 146 HEN: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 3 Feronwood and Son. Hen: 1 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 2 Fellow: 3 Feronwood and Son. 4 Fellow: 4 Fellow: 3 Feronwood and Son. 4 Fellow: 4 Fellow: