curious to report, at the same time, the cuckoo's monotonous even-song mingling with the chattering of heidfares (for they are still here in great numbers), the song off the thrash. blackbird, and various warblers, with the wild cry of the pewit, rendering the general chorus melodious, or discordant, as the listener's ear may be attuned to nature's minstrelay. A few days at I saw a stone curiew in a field of wheat, with a few pewits. Is not this bird scarce in Warwickshire'-S. S. & (Warwickshire').

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**RAME OF BIRID.—Can you or any of your correspondents, name a bird by the following description:—I have seen it here everal times within the bit was not all the following description:—I have seen it here everal times within the singlet has continued till the bird was out to be the everal times within the last week, but always in straint and rapid right does to the water, which is the state of the content of the content of the content of the state of the content of the conte

for comparison in our Zoological Gardens, an advantage not possessed by Temminek and other older writers.—C. R. Berg. M.D.

THE GRIFFON YULTURE.—Last week, at the Zoological Gardens, det, apparently from shere eld ago, a griffon vulture, which for upwards eld, apparently from shere eld ago, a griffon vulture, which for upwards to. This bird was presented to the society in 1825 by Dr. Brooks, and is said to have been by no means young when it came into that gentleman's possession "Dr. Brooks," as the vulture was popularly called, in spite of the being of the gentler sex, and having laid eggs at various times, might colour of her plumage and the faded appearance of her beak. The gard and staid chaeshour of old age were gradually assured, and, as time wore on, appetite began to fail (a bad sign when vultures are concerned), until at even the kind attentions of her keeper creased to rouse her falling the oldest inhabitant of the gardens, and the last survivor of the original cological collection. Griffons are now well known to most persons, and maps fine specimens have lived and died in the menagers since this one first appeared on the sence, but "Dr. Brooks" has doubtless been useful to her E. W. III. HOLDSWOLTH.

VIUNG OF THE LUMP-FISH.—A brother medical officer at Chattam.

generation, and deserves a passing notice now at the close of her career.—

E. W. H. HOLDSWOSTH.

YOUNG OF THE LUISIP-TISH.—A brother medical officer at Chatham
has sen; me the following;—"I inclose you a peculiar little fish I purchased
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Yarmouth fishermen I showed it to seemed never to have seen another
similar. Yours, &c, A. M.—The little fish is without doubt the young of
he lamp-fish, slice the "see owl." "the cock paddle" (Cychopterus tumpus).
It is about the size and shape of a large wainut, and specimens (about the
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stace of a coon-unit of the larger fish are officen exhibited in the shops of the
stace of hite, purple, and orange. Mr Yarrell states that "along our
scatern and southern coasts it is taken more exclusively in the spring, when
it approaches the shore for the purpose of depositing its spawn, which
happens in April or the beginning of Msy." The fish is ent I conclude to be
of last year's batch. The little wretch had been biesed with a good appetite,
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slackened his: there was something terrible in his silent and menacing movements. I understood his intentions well: he was waiting till it was dark, that I could not discover his approach. I had my gun loaded, alsa! with small shot—I had not a single bullet with me. I held my gun cocked and pointed towards him. I thought it would five; but perhaps to cocked and the extention her. I had hearth, a still read the extention here. I had hearth, a still read to the extention here. I had hearth, a still read to the extention here is a still could now see the camp fire about a quarter of a mile distant, as I drew nearer, if grew darker, but still I could distinguish indistinctly and at interval the same dark object slongside. With my nerves strong to a painful tension, I got within a hundred yards of the fire. Human nature could sure, to the disconsitive of my astronished servant. I have hunted often since, and sian many line—but I never remained out alone, with only shot in ray gun, after nightfail.—A. B.

ANSWERS.

POLISH FOWLS.—To Mr Darwin. I have half a dozen black, with white toppings, and they certainly are tame or stupid. You may tread upon them—they don't seem to see well and they seldom find the roosting-place, but crouch or proth anywhere.—PLATT TERRACE.

THE SQUIRREL.—I do not in the least believe that the squirred destroys eggs of any bird, and far less that they are destructive to gene. Asto what a keeper may say I place very little reliance on they restimony of keepers and abouters. That the squirred, however, is in a degree carriaviorous is proved by the fact that many of those which are caught in the north for their grey winter skins are taken in traps baited with small pieces of meat.—AN OLD SURFARMAN (Sweden, April 29).

receiling grounds, I will do my best to threw some light on this question.

F. T. BUCKLAND, and Life Guards, Window.

A. this in the rook season, I may mution a curious circumstance of the control of t

is of an exceedingly dark brown."—F. BECKLAEN.

HABITS OF THE HOUSE MOUSE.—I regret with L. L. (Plymouth) that he killed the mouse that came to pay him an evening visit, and take a few bird-strict. He is establed to held on, cling by, or balance his timy body by means of this useful appendings, which a first sight would seem to be of no use to the owner. Mice and rats are by nature easily capable of domestication—not only the white mouse and pichalir at, but the common species of either. Those who are fond of watching the habits of our most common orealures to the common of cage is a common of the common town, and the best form of cage is a common about be given them to make their nests. They are exceedingly clean animals, and have curious ways. There is a man going about the streets of London with performing index. These little fellows go through tricks which above a condearbak amount of intelligence.—F. T. BCCLAADD.

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The white band on the wings are constant at all seasona—AN OLD BUSHMAN (Sweden, April 29).

DOES THE MISSEL-THRUSH BREED IN SCOTTAND 9—If "Eboratomic resides in Scotland, the must surely, like Rip van Winkle, have returned after a prolonged encose; for the nests of this thrush, if not plear returned after a prolonged encose; for the nests of this thrush, if not plear third, are at least common. I was much interested a few mornings ago, while watching a pair of those birds, on whem four jackdaws were practically the state of ingeniously tormentage,"—evidently, however, with ultersing the "art of ingeniously tormentage,"—evidently, however, with ultersing the "art of ingeniously tormentage,"—evidently, however, with ultersing the state of the same and the series of the state of the state of the series of the

until, taking pity on the persecuted pair, I allied mysalf with them, and uncoceeded in discondition the Monodista. While on the jets of the missed-thrush, may I be allowed to express my autonishment at the want of necessary of the missed-thrush, may I be allowed to express my autonishment at the want of necessary and the missed-thrush may I be allowed to express my autonishment at the want of necessary and the missed-thrush may be allowed to express my autonishment at the want of the missed thrush may be allowed the missed thrush the major of the missed thrush may be allowed the missed thrush may be allowed the missed thrush may be made and the missed thrush the missed thrush burder which is orrectly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given, would rather confuse him—J. Ed Gallacketh, which is correctly given and the missed-thrush burder regularly with an ever leaving even in the severest winter; its food then the leafly the beries of the year and helly and have; it prefers the former when hard would trees; they have never been known to build unest in the forks of hard would trees; they have never been known to build unest an any species of far, as far as I can learn. They are the earliest congutes the former want of hard would trees; they have never been known to build unest any species of far, as far as I can learn. They are the earliest congutes the former want of hard would trees; they have never been known to build unest an any species of far, as far as I can learn. They are the earliest congutes the former want of hard would tree; they have never been known to build unest the fork of hard sealed and the fork of hard sealed and the subject of the hard sealed and the subject of the hard sealed and the s

Loss of Birds Shiffed For Australia.—The Norfolk has been as unfortunate as the ship which preceded her, so far as the birds placed on board for transmission to the colony are concerned, although every attention was paid to them. One hundred and eight sparrows and thirty-transmission to the state of the

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