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## EDITORIAL.

Readers will be pleased to know that the Collection of Mr. J. Warren Jacobs which was displayed at the St. Louis Fair and mentioned in the last Bulletin, received from the committee on awards a gold medal as a just recognition of the expense of time and money as well as the discrimination which Mr. Jacobs has put upon his unusually complete collection.

The local papers of Chardon, Ohio, report a flight of some 500 Passenger Pigeons at that place on October 22. It is unfortunate that this report was not confirmed in a manner above question. The presence of so many of these once abundant birds is difficult to account for. No breeding place of any such extent as this would indicate are known, if, indeed, any at all are known. Numerous reports of considerable numbers in the Northwest, in South America, and even in foreign countries where they never lived, have proved to be myths.

Mr. Frank L. Burns, of Berwyn, Pa., has kindly consented to assist the editor in collecting copy for the March Bulletin. Matter intended for publication in that number should reach Mr. Burns before February 15.

The editor will be at 5623 Drexel Ave., Chicago, Ill., until July, 1905. Requests for back numbers of the Bulletin, or notices that the current number has not been received should be addressed to Mrs. Lynds Jones, 160 North Professor St., Oberlin, Ohio, to insure prompt attention.

We want to inaugurate a campaign for increasing our membership the coming year, to twice its present size. This can be done if every member will either induce some friend to become a member, or send to any one of the officers a list of names of persons who are interested in birds. Will not every member make this a personal matter? Increased membership means a better grade of work, and a better Bulletin.