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Please!

When you send in your notes and reports - with - statistics, please specify in months, days, and years just how long a period is covered. Often it is not made clear whether calendar years, or Banding Report years, or only banding seasons (out of a year) are meant, —or perhaps any odd 12-month period. Be specific.

A WORD ABOUT OUR FUTURE FORMAT

The future format and publishing of EB-BANEWS is at present unsettled. In our next issue we hope to be able to tell members that some of its problems are by way of being settled. (Editor does not refer to its contents.) Several letters which the editor has received since the May Issue was sent out are complimentary and some (strangely enough) enthusiastic. --For so slight a beginning on the NEWS, these remarks seem to please your editor very much! --Come again.

Returns

Horace Groskin (EBBA's President) at Ardmore, Pa, has had recently some valuable Returns data on 7 species. He sums it this way (stating sex in only one case):

	Banded	Returned
Purple Finch (adult; rosy male at least 20 months old)	12/16/45	3/12/49
Four others	1947	1949
Am. Goldfinch (at least 3½ yrs old at return)	3/10/46	3/17/49
Am. Goldfinch (at least 3 yrs old at return)	3/30/46	2/3/49
Am. Goldfinch (nearly 4 yrs old at return)	4/2/46	4/9/49
Sl. col. Junco (over 3 yrs old at return)	10/27/45	2/1/49
Sl. col. Junco (over 3 yrs old at return)	12/1/45	12/9/48
And one of his Song Sparrows, banded 3/21/48, returned	10/10/48	and 4/30/49.

—By the way, has any EBBA member got 2 to 20 acres he thinks "mebbe, perhaps, possibly" he'd sort-a like to re-forest some day? Contact this Editor! He's a Conservation Enthusiast.