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RARE BIRDS AND ANIMALS
IMPORTED FROM MANY LANDS

A total of 66,793 canaries were imported into the United States during the past fiscal year under permits issued by the Biological Survey, United States Department of Agriculture. The number of permits issued during the year authorizing the importation of foreign birds and animals increased more than 20 per cent, or from 453 to 560.

Altogether there were entered into the United States under permit a total of 182,052 birds during the year, the figures including 22,209 quail. In addition there were entered at San Francisco, chiefly as passengers' baggage without requirement of a permit, 875 parrots, 1,740 canaries, 1,989 miscellaneous birds and 128 mammals. The permits for mammals authorized the entry of 5,368 animals during the year, including 1,574 foxes from Canada. Some of the permits for foxes cover the entry of animals brought in for exhibition and later returned.

Rare birds imported included 2 blue birds of paradise, 4 count Raggi birds of paradise, 21 Satin bower birds, 2 New Guinea mynahs and rare toucans, parrots and other species from South America.