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ORNITHOLOGICAL COLLECTIONS IN THE BOTANIC GARDENS MUSEUM, SOTHPORT

Recent cataloguing work at the Botanic Gardens Museum, Southport, based on MDA cards, has brought to light considerable data on the collections of birds and eggs. Most of this is in the form of labels associated with the specimens, though there is a published catalogue of the principal collection of mounted birds. In all there are 500 skins, 2917 eggs and 28 nests. 322 species are represented, though only 177 as skins. Most of the latter represent birds shot by a local wildfowler, D. D. Pennington (1885-1938) who donated his collection to the museum just before his death. However the egg collections are the work of a number of collectors, mainly the Edwards family who appear to have lived at Roundhay near Leeds, and who also contributed to a collection of molluscs now housed in the Botanic Gardens Museum. I would be grateful for any information relating to the listed collectors, particularly the Edwards family.

Reference

Pennington, D. D. (1918) Catalogue of Birds in the Collection of D. D. Pennington, Birkdale. Southport Society of Natural Science. Appendix to the Report, 1917-18.

LIST OF COLLECTORS REPRESENTED

Name	Dates	Collecting areas
Angus, W C	1867	Aberdeenshire
Arnold, E P B	1833	Natal
Bazeley, A	1919	Southport
Blundell, R	1907	SW Lancs.
Britton, H	1910-13	Yorks., Cumbria
Brown, T	1921	Cumbria
Devvan, D	1858	North Uist
Edwards, E	1904-22	Yorks., Cumbria, Isle of Man, Suffolk,
		Lancashire
Edwards, E M	1870-71	Kent, Suffolk
Edwards, F A	1909	Yorks.
Edwards, J G	1904-21	Yorks., Suffolk, Cumbria, Isle of Man,
		Lancashire
Edwards, L A	1915-20	Yorks., Cumbria
Edwards, L M	1906-18	Yorks., Lincolnshire
Eggles, ?	1913	Surrey
Ferguson, J	1921	St Kilda

Name	Dates	Collecting areas
Goodman, T	1906	Hampshire
Gordon, J G	1902	Iceland
Halsall, T	1914	SW Lancs.
Hilton, F	1919	?
Kelly, A	1912-19	Aberdeenshire, Sutherland
Kelly, J	1914	Fair Isle
Kitchen, M	1923	Yorks.
Kup, R	1909-10	Shetland
Mannell, C	1909	Dorset
Palsson, W P	1917-20	Iceland?
Pennington, D.D. 1899-1918		Lancs., Yorks., Cumbria, Norfolk, Orkneys, Staffordshire, N. Wales, Hants.
Reid, A	1909	Ailsa Craig, Dumfriesshire
Rule, T	1902	Cumbria
Ryding, J	1930	SW Lancashire
Warren, ?	1909	Yorks.
Warren, G	1906-18	Yorks., Suffolk, Kent
Warren, J	1914	Yorks.
Wilding, G	1897-1901	Southport
Witherington,	G 1907	Sutherland

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