

Blue Tit commonly known by country folk as the Tomtit or Tom Titmouse



Gallon Stone Jars similar to those mentioned

Mr. Charles Coward Finds Singular Place For A Bird's Nest

Mr Charles Coward, grocer, of this town [Mere], some time since placed two empty gallon jars in his garden at the rear of his dwelling house. Last week, when in his garden, he perceived a tomtit emerge from out of the mouth of one of the jars, and curiosity prompted him to look in, and although with the aid of a candle he could perceive nothing, he did not feel satisfied, and he brought away the jar and knocked off the head of it, when he discovered a nest made with all the natural skill and ingenuity peculiar to this small species of the feathered tribe, with the old bird sitting very contentedly over her brood of seven young ones. At this discovery he replaced the broken part and returned the jar to its former position in the garden, where the old birds may be seen scores of times daily diving as it were into the hole of the jar with food for their little progeny.

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