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Fertilizers.

By L. J. MOSELEY, M.D.

The city is crowded with wagons

bringing cotton to market at ten

cents per pound to pay for small

quantities of chemicals with some

twenty bushels of muck or dirt to

the ton, which sells for some sixty

cents to seventy dollars per ton.

What a vast expense to this coun-

try! Hundreds of thousands of

dollars are paid out in this town, and

all over the State, for fertilizers.

South for dirt, with a small quan-

tity of chemicals. Why is this?

Why not buy the bone-phosphate,

ammonia, plaster, soda and pot-

ash, for these are the chemicals

to form the best fertilizer, and

mix them with the dirt in your

lot or on a floor; then you will

have a fertilizer that will

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the action of rain so far into the

soil as to be beyond the reach of

ordinary plants. The roots of

the clover plant are so many mes-

sengers to bring it back to the

surface again. The corn insect

does not more effectively extract

from the waters of the sea the ma-

terial which enables it to con-

struct the wrecking reef, than

does the clover plant seek out

and garner plant food from earth

and for man's use. And this

is as if to indicate what great office

it was designed to perform in the

economy of nature, viz: to pre-

pare the way for other life, to re-

fuses to consume this ingested

nutriment, but dies and leaves it

for the nourishment of successive

crops. It is this fact that has

led the farmers to say that, their

land, where clover had grown in

great luxuriance but refused to

grow longer, was clover sick. In

other words it had performed its

function, accomplished the great

object of its life, and then, like

the silk worm, died.

There is nothing truer in nature

than that the clover plant, while

growing largely upon the rich-

tenance, leeches the soil for its own

sustenance, in plant food, earth

and the soil, it is a great help

to a skill peculiarly its own, for

the soil of man has never ac-

complished it. Science has for years

been engaged in trying to discov-

er some inexpensive method by

which the nitrogen of the air

could be forced into combination

with other substance so as to be

used in cultivating the earth. It

has never been accomplished.

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and again seeded to clover, sow-

ing ten pounds of seed per acre,

raising a heavy crop of oats and

a good stand of clover. In 1876

he cut a heavy crop of hay the

latter part of June, also secured

four hundred bushels of seed to the

acre.

Last spring he planted corn in

word "go," producing a nearly

date making he planted about eighty

bushels per acre.

This farmer says that in regard

to a fertilizer, he is in favor of

the benefit to the land, and is as

great for the clover as for the

potash, and he will get paid for

the clover, and he would

prefer to pasture the same land,

when possible, two years in suc-

cession. "If you want to clear

your land of weeds, sow clover,

grow it, and then plow it up, and

pasture of the clover. Enough

corn crops following will make

you happy. If you want to make

your clover and plenty of money,

grow clover and hogs."

The statistics given by the re-

port of the hogs fattened on the

several years of the exper-

iment, just related, was of interest,

and showed a rich return in pork

with the efficient dressing of the

land with hog manure.

How to Manage a Small Farm.

A New Jersey farmer wrote

that he had found out how to raise

two or three crops on a small

piece of land, every year, and

thereby get very large returns

from a diminutive farm. The se-

cret of his success is, plenty of

manure, and the rotation as

follows: After the 18th of Aug.

crop of beets can be sown, and

the oats, corn and the 18th of

the 1st of Nov. the corn, and

the 1st of Dec. the corn, and

the 1st of Jan. the corn, and

the 1st of Feb. the corn, and

the 1st of Mar. the corn, and

the 1st of Apr. the corn, and

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the 1st of Mar. the corn, and

the 1st of Apr. the corn, and

and his stock of farming machi-

nery is extensive and complete.

A very different system is pre-

vailed on the small farms of 4000

acres, more or less. The buildings

are usually of the commonest and

cheapest. The wooden shanties

of three or four rooms each, un-

dered, unpainted and, uncarpet-

ed, rough wooden stables, tho-

ugh often well built, are the

modest and unimpressive accom-

plishments of a decent, but

poorly equipped, and unimpro-

ved, these houses have a

character of temporary huts rather

than of permanent dwellings, and

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statement is made that it will
speedily find its way into all the
mines of Great Britain.

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contracts on the most reasonable terms, and to execute them in the most satisfactory manner.

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ap 3-1y **J. A. G. ANDERSON.**

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