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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CONTROL.

OF

# THE CONNECTICUT AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION.

To His Excellency, Simeon E. Baldwin, Governor of Connecticut:

As required by Statute, the Board of Control of The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station herewith submits a report of its operations for the year ending November 1, 1914.

There have been few changes in the Station staff. Miss M. H. Jagger, seed analyst in the botanical laboratory, resigned in May, 1914, and at the same time Mr. George Graham was appointed botanical laboratory assistant.

Mr. A. E. Moss, Assistant Forester, by arrangement between the Connecticut Agricultural College and this Station, has undertaken the management of the College woodland and will give instruction in forestry in that institution during the second semester.

A department of vegetable growing has been added to the Station organization and on July 1, 1914, Mr. Howard F. Huber, a graduate of the New Jersey Agricultural College, was engaged to do the work of this department, the object of which is to study the various problems of the vegetable growers and engage in experimental work on their behalf.

The following summary shows the scope of the Station work, without presenting a complete catalogue of its activities:

#### BOTANICAL DEPARTMENT.

Cases of violent illness and death, following the eating of chestnuts from trees infected with chestnut bark disease, occurred last year in the state. Certain physicians and others attributed these effects to a poison developed by the disease. A careful study by the botanist revealed no evidence of any direct connection between the blight fungus and the illness. Small quantities of the pure blight fungus were eaten by the botanist, without any resulting discomfort, and white rats fed largely on infected chestnuts and various preparations containing the fungus developed no symptoms of poison.

Spraying and variety tests with melons, begun in 1908, and selection tests, begun in 1911, are continued.

Experiments are in progress with peach trees, to test the comparative efficiency of various sprays to control leaf curl, scab and brown rot of peaches, to determine the nature, manner of spreading and possible means of control of "yellows," to note the effects of various fertilizer elements on the growth, yield, longevity and relation to winter injury and yellows.

Experiments with potatoes are designed to determine the distribution of powdery potato scab in the state and methods of control, to determine the effect of spraying with Bordeaux mixture in wet and dry summers and the effect of level culture versus ridging.

These may serve as illustrations of the kind of work done by this department. The botanist and his assistant are frequently called upon to visit farms for the purpose of advising and directing efforts to suppress some fungous trouble.

Two hundred and ninety-three specimens of fungi have been received, with requests for information about them, and 581 letters of advice and instruction have been written. Nine addresses have been made on botanical matters at gatherings of farmers.

#### CHEMICAL DEPARTMENT.

The examination of fertilizers, feeds, food products and drugs and other work required of the Station by statute have involved the analyses of 799 samples of fertilizers and waste products having fertilizing value, 237 samples of feeds, 1889 samples of foods and drugs, and testing and marking 490 pieces of Babcock glassware.

Two hundred and forty-seven melons have been tested for sugar, 32 samples of farm crops analyzed, and partial analyses made of several hundred samples of maize kernel.

In connection with work for the Dairy and Food Commissioner members of the staff have appeared 20 times in court, to furnish expert evidence.

The chief chemist has served as a member of the Food Standards Committee of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

A number of studies of technical chemical matters have been

completed: for example, The Carbohydrates of the Soy Bean, The Detection of Chrysophanic Acid in Medicinal Preparations, The Relative Value of Casein and Sanatogen in Maintenance and Growth, etc.

The chemical department is being called upon frequently by the police to identify habit-forming drugs found in possession of those who trade in them illicitly. This has been done without charge and necessary testimony given in court.

Twenty-two addresses before various organizations have been made during the year by the chief chemist and 886 letters and manuscript reports have been written.

#### ENTOMOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

The work of inspection required by statute has involved the careful examination of 60 nurseries and of 1,477 packages of imported stock containing more than a million and a half plants. In 54 of the 303 separate shipments insects and fungi, some of them dangerous, were found.

Four hundred and sixty-three apiaries have been inspected, 156 of which were found to harbor foul-brood.

The gypsy moth infestation at Wallingford seems to have been entirely wiped out by the work of this department. The same is true of the infestation found earlier in Stonington. But the pest has apparently been blown over into this state from Rhode Island, where it is well established, and has been found within the year in 10 towns on our eastern border.

The problem of checking this invasion is a very serious one and requires a much larger state appropriation than has yet been made. The work done in Wallingford and Stonington has shown what can be accomplished by prompt and intelligent action.

Experimental work has been done on the control of the cabbage maggot and of the white pine weevil. The outbreak of the army worm gave a chance for further study of this pest.

Four hundred and thirty-nine insects were received for identification and advice. 75 orchards and gardens were examined, 60 circular letters, 313 reports of inspection to the Federal Horticultural Board and 2,861 letters were sent out from the entomologist's office. 18 lectures and addresses were also delivered at gatherings of farmers.

#### FORESTRY DEPARTMENT.

In the spring of the present year 170,000 seedlings of forest trees were sold at cost from the Mt. Carmel farm, for forest planting in this state. This work will soon be discontinued, as it is now possible to buy stock at reasonable rates from private concerns.

The Station forest plantations have only required fire protection and some interplanting.

Experiments in combating the pine weevil, in co-operation with the entomological department, have been carried out with encouraging results.

Fourteen examinations of forest land have been made, at the request of their owners, and advice has been given as to their management.

About 80 acres have been added to the state forest at Portland and 16,500 trees have been planted. The weeviled tops from the older plantations have been cut and placed in cases for breeding the parasite, as has been successfully done at Rainbow.

In the Simsbury state forest 10,000 trees have been planted. A fire caused by a locomotive burned over 15 to 20 acres, which had been planted in 1912.

In the Union forest the only work done has been the cutting out of weeviled pine tops.

Three hundred acres were added to the six hundred acres previously bought for the Cornwall forest and a survey and map are being prepared.

From January to July 503 forest fires burned over about 10,000 acres, involving a money loss of \$45,000.00. That the loss was not very much larger is due to the fire-warden service, which under the direction of the forester is increasingly efficient.

The forest survey of the state has been very actively continued during the year and is nearly completed.

The forester has delivered nine addresses at farmers' meetings and has sent out 1,598 letters, besides circular letters to fire-wardens, selectmen, etc.

#### PLANT BREEDING DEPARTMENT.

The studies of inheritance with maize and tobacco have been continued. This work increases in value with the number of successive seasons in which it is carried on.

In co-operation with the Storrs Station, a corn survey of the state is being made. The object is to find what varieties of husking and ensilage corn are now most promising, to test them at both Storrs and New Haven, to select two or three which promise best and finally get some one or more farmers interested to grow this improved seed under adequate direction, so that farmers may buy at home seed corn of tested merit and yielding capacity.

A preliminary test of 35 varieties and 8 first generation crosses has been made this year at Storrs and at New Haven.

Eighteen varieties of soy bean have been grown, to study their adaptation to Connecticut conditions of climate, and the work with selections of melons, rye and alfalfa is continued.

Two hundred and fifty-seven letters have been written by the plant breeder and four addresses made at farmers' gatherings.

#### PROTEIN RESEARCH DEPARTMENT.

This work is supported by the Adams Fund and also by grants from the Carnegie Institution. Inaugurated by Prof. S. W. Johnson, it has been directed from the start (in 1890) by a single individual, Dr. T. B. Osborne.

After years of study of the proximate and structural composition and of the physical and chemical properties of a large number of vegetable proteins, it became possible for the first time to study with a good chance of fruitful result the relative nutritive value of the individual proteins and the results already obtained are throwing a new light on the problems of animal feeding and introducing new aims and new methods into experiments on this subject.

In this study Dr. L. B. Mendel, professor of physiological chemistry in Yale University, is collaborating.

The year's results are set forth in 10 papers, published in various scientific journals, being too extensive and too technical for the pages of our annual report.

The Station has made educational exhibits of these various departments of its work at the agricultural fairs held at Salisbury, Norfolk, Brooklyn and Berlin, where members of the staff were present to explain exhibits and answer questions.

A field meeting was held at the Mt. Carmel Farm in August, with an attendance of 250 people.

This experimental field of 20 acres contains an old but reclaimed orchard and a small experimental apple and peach orchard now in its fourth year and offers space, rather insufficient, for various experiments of the botanist, entomologist, plant breeder and vegetable grower.

The Station correspondence has involved the sending of 11,360 letters and manuscript reports. (Administration office, 5,137, and from the departments; botanical 581, chemical 886, entomological 2,861, forestry 1,598, plant breeding 277).

Members of the staff have also made 73 addresses at granges, farm institutes and other agricultural gatherings, and have published in scientific journals 14 papers relating to their work, besides the Station reports and bulletins and frequent contributions to magazines and agricultural papers.

The following publications have been issued:

The annual report of 441 printed pages, 17 plates and 2 maps, in an edition of 10,000 copies, and three bulletins aggregating 115 printed pages, with 55 figures in the text. It was impossible to adequately present a statement of the year's work in the 475 pages allowed by statute. The botanist's report, therefore, had to be omitted and will form part of the next report.

All or which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE A. HOPSON, Secretary.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., November 1, 1914.

# REPORT OF THE TREASURER, 1914.

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	29.94	G. A. Hopson, salary	
	850.00	V. E. Cole, "	
	750.00	L. M. Brautlecht, "	
	2,500.00	J. P. Street, "	
	2,400.00	T. B. Osborne, "	
	1,779.17	E. M. Bailey, "	
	1,200.00	C. B. Morison, "	
	1,000.00	C. E. Shepard, "	
	1,000.00	G. L. Davis, "	
	2,383.33	W. E. Britton, "	
	2,491.67	G. P. Clinton, "	
	1,183.33	E. M. Stoddard, "	
	2,000.00	W. O. Filley, "	
	1,300.00	A. E. Moss, "	
	1,775.00	H. K. Hayes, "	
	1,290.00	Edna L. Ferry, " H. F. Huber "	
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Geo. Graham	728.00	
Frank Sheldon	322.00	
Wm. Sperry	120.00	
Labor	2,571.45	
Publications	1,071.70	
Postage	216.12	
Stationery	369.03	
Telephone and Telegraph	162.93	
Freight and Express	352.23	
Gas, Kerosene and Electricity	888.87	
Coal	1,417.60	
Water	160.60	
Chemicals and Laboratory Supplies	1,511.26	
Agricultural and Horticultural Supplies	119.94	
Miscellaneous Supplies	749.92	
Fertilizers	600.43	
Feeding Stuffs	387.98	
Library and Periodicals	624.73	
Tools and Machinery	416.49	
Furniture and Fixtures	357 - 57	
Scientific Apparatus	34.74	
Traveling by the Board	225.98	
Traveling by the Staff	1,662.78	
Traveling in connection with Adams Fund		
Investigations	81.17	
Fertilizer and Food Sampling (included in		
traveling by the Staff)		
Insurance	253.26	
Insect Pest Appropriation to State Entomolo-		
gist	4,000.00	
Contingent	299.48	
Lockwood Expenses	400.00	
Gypsy Moth Appropriation to State Entomol-		
ogist	4,000.00	
New Buildings	1,665.25	
Betterments	250.09	
Repairs	1,050.91	
Total Disbursements		\$60,483.37
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Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1914 (Analysis Fees)		
		\$61,420.38

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Oct. 31, 1914.

This Certifies that we have examined the accounts of E. H. Jenkins, Treasurer of The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1914, have compared the same with the vouchers therefor and found them correct.

WILLIAM P. BAILEY,
JAMES P. TOBIN,
Auditors of Public Accounts.

#### CORRECTIONS.

Page 202, line 12; read call for all.

Page 222, line 6 from bottom; read 42.46 instead of 52.46.

Page 227, first line, first paragraph; read collected instead of collector.

Page 227, line 6 from bottom: insert be after must.

The first line on page 235 should be transferred to page 234, first line.

#### PART I.

# REPORT OF THE BOTANIST FOR 1913.

G. P. CLINTON.

#### I. NOTES ON PLANT DISEASES OF CONNECTICUT.

A. DISEASES PREVALENT IN 1913.

Weather Conditions. Because of its mild weather, the winter of 1912-1913 on the whole produced very little injury to trees and shrubs in this state. January was a record month for warmth. The first part of February, however, was colder, but the change did not come so suddenly or severely as to cause injury to the buds. Very little snow fell during the winter, but there was considerable rain, much of which soaked into the ground. Because of this warm weather, the spring blossoms opened earlier than usual, and their profusion on fruit trees in general was unusual.

The spring, like the winter, was rather wet, and this with frosts in May finally set back the vegetation so that in the end not much was gained by the early start. These late frosts came about the tenth of May, when the peach bloom was mostly past, but the apples were largely in bloom. However, the latter were seriously hurt only in restricted districts, where conditions were unusually favorable for such injury. The same thing was true regarding strawberries, which, while injured considerably in certain fields, in others did not suffer much, and the crop on the whole was very satisfactory. Potatoes, tomatoes, and a few tender plants set out early, were injured somewhat, especially in the northern part of the state. Injury to the leaves of shade trees will be mentioned later.

June, while rather cool during its first half, was, like most of July, unusually dry, so that short-rooted crops suffered considerably, though the abundant supply of rain during the winter and early spring kept the deep-rooted perennial crops from suffering

as much, except in the case of early peaches and some of the bush berries. What threatened to become a severe drought was checked by timely rains about the middle of July, and from then on the rains were so distributed that crops as a whole did not suffer much further injury from lack of moisture.

The early fall was quite favorable for plant growth, as the rains were sufficient, but not so abundant as to injure fruit, especially peaches, by causing rot. October, however, proved a very wet month, as ten inches of rain fell, which broke the record for that month in this vicinity. The fall was also rather warm. light frosts occurred about September first, and again on October 21st to 23d, causing damage only to very tender plants in certain localities, it was not until the very last two days of October that general killing frosts occurred in the region of New Haven. This gave an unusually long fall, similar to that of the year before, or even better, since the early frosts did comparatively little injury.

Because of the warm winter, the early spring, and the late, warm fall, the year 1913 was unusual as regards its average temperature, and is said to have been the warmest since the weather bureau of New Haven was started in 1872. Because of the abundance of rain through the winter and spring and the unusual amount in October, it was also an average year as regards moisture. The only unfavorable conditions, therefore, as regards plant growth, were the somewhat cool, wet spring, with late May frosts, and the drought of June and early July.

Ornamental Plants. There were comparatively few complaints of diseases of ornamental plants during the year, and so far as we can judge from these and our own observations, the following include the more conspicuous troubles. The wet spring was favorable for the development of root rots, apparently chiefly Rhizoctonia, on sweet peas; and one amateur grower reported failure to find any successful method of combating this trouble. Rust of hollyhock was also apparently more common than usual. Leaf spot, Phyllosticta Labruscæ Thuem, of Boston Ivy, Ampelopsis tricuspidata (Plate I a), was likewise unusually injurious on certain vines where it had gained a foothold the previous year. Mildew of rose was injurious, but not so much so as the leaf spot, which, together with the early summer drought, caused an unusual defoliation of the more susceptible varieties.

Shade and Forest Trees. The May frosts already mentioned

caused considerable injury to the leaves of shade and forest trees such as oaks, maples, etc., in certain localities. Many of the trees were just beginning to leaf out when the frosts occurred, and where other conditions were adverse the leaves on these trees were either severely injured or killed outright. In some places only the leaves on the lower part of the tree were killed, the frost line evidently not extending high enough to injure those higher up.

While we did not make a special study of the chestnut blight the past year, from what we saw and learned from others, it seems to us that it was fully as conspicuous as the previous year, so there was no very evident let-up in its development, of which there had been some previous indications. Government investigators have recently reported the discovery of this disease in China, where, however, it does comparatively little injury. Their contention that it is an imported, and not a native disease, is strengthened by this discovery.

Aside from the blight injury, some chestnut and oak trees in various parts of the state have died from drought and winter injuries received in previous unfavorable seasons. On the whole, however, the weather conditions of 1913 were not especially unfavorable to trees in a healthy condition, with the following exceptions. Pine seedlings, especially white pine, suffered from drought, dving in patches in the beds where the moisture was insufficient to supply the immediate demands. Likewise, the drought was responsible for an unusual amount of leaf scorch of maples and some other trees on dry hillsides. The injury to these trees in parts of Connecticut and Massachusetts was the worst the writer has ever seen. With the exception of these and the anthracnose of sycamore, there were no very serious shade tree troubles. The leaf spot of horse chestnut was conspicuous by its absence.

Market Garden and General Farm Crops. The leaf spot of alfalfa was quite conspicuous, and together with the early drought caused considerable defoliation before the first cutting of this crop. Asparagus rust was prominent in certain fields. The Septoria (Plate III a) and the Cercospora leaf spots of celery, ordinarily classed by growers as "rust," also caused considerable injury, especially in low or irrigated fields. Overhead irrigation, which is being taken up by market gardeners, may have as one of its drawbacks a liability to produce fungous troubles.

Where sprayed, cucumbers and muskmelons had an unusually long season, whereas unsprayed plants died in August, chiefly from downy mildew blight. Potatoes, so far as we could learn, did not suffer at all from the late blight, and very little from the early blight, though tip burn was common as a result of the drought.

One of the most conspicuous injuries of the year was the so-called "blast" of onion. Apparently all fields produced a poor crop, while most of those in Orange gave from less than half a crop to none at all. While we did not investigate this trouble at its beginning, an examination of the dead fields led us to conclude that the injury was not caused by a fungus, as some growers seemed to believe. In years past we have seen the onion blossoms killed by the same Botrytis fungus that causes the stem rot, but we were unable to find this or any other suspicious fungus on the dead blossoms this year. Furthermore, the weather conditions had not been favorable for the development of a fungous disease, in fact, the blast seems to have been due largely to the drought that occurred at this time and caused considerable damage to crops in general. Possibly the injury was aggravated by the thrips, which was more or less destructive this season.

Two diseases of tomatoes were unusually prevalent during the year. The first of these was the mosaic disease, the same as that occurring on tobacco, known as "calico." This trouble was more common than we have ever seen it, but just how much damage it caused is hard to tell. Whether or not the May frosts, which injured the early tomatoes, were responsible for it, we do not know. The point rot, another and more serious trouble of tomatoes, was generally prevalent. Judging from recent investigations and our own limited observations, we believe that this is a true bacterial disease. It may be that the wet spring favored its start, as it did the fire blight of fruit trees, and there also seems to be some ground for believing that the later drought was favorable for its development. Spraying did little good on our Station grounds, though the treatment was not begun until the middle of July.

Concerning the Phoma rot of turnips, reported by us last year for the first time in this country, new light on its spread by means of manure was shown by Mr. Durgy of Danbury, who writes as follows: "The past year I sowed my turnips on new sod ground that is, most of them, and used artificial fertilizer, without any barnyard manure, and had a splendid crop, very smooth, nice

size, and found no rot. But in my vegetable garden, where I had peas and string beans, I sowed some of the same seed, but used the manure from the stock that we had fed with those Rutabaga turnips that were like the sample I sent you, and I have just finished looking them over, and find the same trouble I had last year, namely, the rot, but not so bad as they were then. I am convinced that they were infected from the manure that I used on my vegetable garden."

Fruits and Berries. Fire blight of apple, pear and quince was unusually prominent in early July, killing the young branches. The cold, wet weather at blossom time was quite favorable for the development of this bacterial trouble. Scab of apple, also, got a good start on account of these weather conditions, and became very conspicuous on the susceptible varieties before the end of the season. Frost injury of apples developed some curious freaks which will be described later in this report. Bitter rot of apple is a trouble we do not find doing much injury in this state, but this year it developed on some of the stored apples, though not as commonly as black rot.

The brown rot of peach did comparatively little harm. The scab also seemed less conspicuous than usual. On the other hand, leaf curl, due to the cold, wet spring, was as prominent as it has been for some years. An unusual infection of the fruit by this fungus is described later. Yellows was not conspicuous, in fact, some affected trees showed little further advance of the trouble, and peach trees as a whole had fine green foliage and made good growth. Black knot of cherry and plum, and rust of quince, were common troubles.

Orange rust was very common on blackberries, as was leaf anthracnose on currants, especially certain varieties. The leaf blotch, aided by the common leaf spot and drought, caused considerable injury to strawberry plants about harvest time. Glen Mary was a variety badly infected in some fields. The leaf blotch (Plate VII a) can be told from the leaf spot by its purplish spots lacking the whitish center of the latter. The fungus causing this trouble is *Marsonia Potentillæ* var. *Fragariæ* Sacc., which seems to be the same as *Ascochyta colorata* Pk.

A careful search failed to reveal the source of infection of the black currants at Meriden by the white pine rust, mentioned in our last report. No rust could be found on any white pines in this

district, and the currants did not become infected again this year. Neither native white pines, less than a mile distant, nor several white pine plantations within a few miles, showed any indications of this rust.

B. DISEASES OR HOSTS NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED.

#### APPLE, Pyrus Malus.

Fasciation. Plate I b. The peculiar flattening of young apple twigs, as shown in the illustration, known technically as fasciation, was called to the writer's attention in June by Mr. R. S. Chisolm of Litchfield. The young twigs were greatly flattened, and divided into two, recurved, flattened tips. The leaves were scattered in an irregular way over the surface, and at the branch tips were reduced to a rudimentary fringe. In one instance the injury consisted merely in a slight flattening of the otherwise normal, straight stem.

Fasciation is not an uncommon phenomenon in plant life, and is usually caused by pressure on the very young tissues. According to Sorauer (Handb. Pflanzenkr. 1:334) fasciation similar to that described here may be caused by a binding of the enveloping leaf scales, thereby producing a temporary lateral pressure on the nascent tissues within, or by injury to the growing point itself. The direct cause in this case we believe to have been the frosts in May. Either the enveloping leaf scales were injured so that their easy dehiscence at the proper time was prevented, thus furnishing unusual pressure on the enclosed growing tissues, or the injury was directly to the embryonic leaf axis, inciting the subsequent abnormal development.

Frost Bands. Plate I c. The frosts of early May, besides producing the trouble just mentioned, also caused considerable russeting of apples, and in some cases peculiar variations of this known as frost bands. This latter injury usually consists of severe russeting of the skin in bands extending around the fruit about midway between the stem and blossom ends. The illustration shows a case of these banded apples sent to the Station by Mr. C. E. Lyman of Middlefield, in which one had developed a second band at right angles to the first. This injury starts when the fruit is very young, and is extended through a much wider area by the subsequent development of the slightly injured tissues. Besides russeting

and banding, such frost injuries, when severe, often misshape and crack the fruit.

Just why the injury should partake of the nature of a general russeting in some cases and of a distinct banding in others is not very clear to the writer, unless there was in some way a greater exposure of the affected tissues in the latter case. Possibly the correct explanation is that given by Powell (Garden and Forest 8:417), who says: "This belt is due to any injury of the epidermis of the fruit in its young stage, and is caused by the freezing of the dew collected on these spaces." Whether this dew settled in a band around the fruit or was generally scattered over the surface might settle the character of the injury. While we have not reported these banded apples before, Dr. Britton informs us that he has previously observed them in this state. Stewart (N. Y. Agr. Exp. Stat. Rept. 1895:544) gives a description and illustration of this trouble on apple and also on pear, which he calls "belted" fruit. Welden (Monthly Bull. Cal. St. Com. Hort. 2:717) has also recently noted and figured this trouble. He says: "The presence of the characteristic bands as illustrated is a sure indication of frost injury."

Syncarpy. Plate II. In September we received a number of apples from Mr. E. Hill of South Norwalk that were found on a tree growing on Pilot Island. These apples show various stages of twin and triple fruit. In the example illustrated (c) the two apples were of nearly normal size, but partly joined together from the stem end to the center, while one of them showed a third small, closely-attached apple starting from its stem end. Most of the apples produced merely a small secondary apple starting out of the stem end and attached by its base. We have seen another case (b) where a small apple came directly out of the side of the larger apple. We also have a photograph of a group of apples (a) sent to the Station in 1911, where four distinct apples were all joined to the same stem, and one of these bore an imperfect apple at its blossom end.

Stewart, in Bulletin 328, of the Geneva Station, page 313, gives references to literature on this subject, and describes various double and triple apples. He makes the following quotation from the "Country Gentleman": "Recent notes on Siamism in apples, said by some authorities never or rarely to occur, have brought in a number of specimens, the latest being two pairs from Mr. George Beaumont of New Haven County, Conn., who says the tree pro-

duces a lot of these monstrosities annually, this year half a bushel of them." Young, of the Washington Experiment Station, in a recent article (Popular Science Monthly 84:162-5) also gives descriptions and illustrations of double apples.

As regards the nature of syncarpy, Sorauer (Handb. Pflanzenkr. 1:375) says: "In the case of the apple the sprouting power sometimes exhibits itself only as a single fibrovascular bundle in the fruit. There is formed on the side a swelling, which may increase to a small side-fruit. If this side-fruit produces a real bud, we have two incipient fruits standing obliquely one above the other. In this case, it is much like the double-fruiting which occurs by the union of two separate lateral blossom buds."

Mr. Hill says, in speaking of the Pilot Island tree, that one apple of this kind was found on it last year. While undoubtedly some trees show a tendency to produce these abnormal fruits year after year, we believe that some special irritation or injury to the particular blossom when very young is the direct cause, and that this year was peculiarly adapted to produce such phenomena, since we also found cases of double peaches in the Barnes orchard at Yalesville. This leads us to the conclusion that here, as in the two monstrosities previously described, the late spring frosts were in some way the inciting factor.

Water Core. Although this is a trouble which we have not reported before, it is not uncommon on certain varieties, such as Pound Sweet, King, etc., in this state, and has long been known to occur here. The past season was one in which it was said to be more prevalent than usual. This was probably due to the very wet weather of October, and possibly to the rapid growth of the fruit after the June-July drought. The appearance of water core is familiar to all through the hard, translucent, watery tissues, usually commencing near the core of the apple and extending outward in more or less irregular spots to the surface, so that in extreme cases the trouble can be detected from the outside by the semi-translucence of the skin. In the worst cases the core cavity is said to become filled with liquid, and the core is provided on the inside with irregular hair-like growth. Such apples may split open at the blossom end and offer entrance for decay organisms.

Water core is purely a physiological disease, as has recently been shown by O'Gara (Phytopath. 3:121-8. 1913.), who has made a special study of it in the extreme West, where the trouble is

apparently much worse than here. He finds that physical conditions which check the transpiration from the trees when the roots are furnishing an abundant supply of moisture are the determining causes of the trouble. Such are high humidity of the air when abundance of moisture is being taken from the soil; excessive precipitation, especially just before maturity of the fruit; pruning of branches or frost injury to the leaves in the fall, reducing the transpiration surface; high cultivation, retaining an excessive amount of water in the soil; excessive vegetative growth where the percentage of fruit is small; also rapid conversion of starch into sugar, producing cell turgor. The water core spots are usually sweeter than the other tissues, having more sugar and less acid. O'Gara also found that water core, except in extreme cases, could be cured largely by picking the fruit before the trouble was too far advanced and storing it in a place with a cool, but not too cold, even temperature.

#### BLUE GRASS, KENTUCKY, Poa pratensis.

Rust, Puccinia poarum Niels. The II stage of this rust was found in the writer's yard on blue grass leaves, forming numerous small, dusty, orange-yellow pustules. The III stage is rarely found. The I stage occurs in Europe on species of Tussilago. A microscopic examination of the II, or uredo-stage shows the club-shaped paraphyses as a conspicuous feature. The rust causes no noticeable injury in lawns here, as it is usually found on uncut grass in protected spots.

#### BRUSSELS SPROUTS, Brassica oleracea.

Club Root, Plasmodiophora Brassicae Wor. This slime mold disease was sent to us on the above host last August from the Eccoci farm at Bridgewater. Previously we had listed club root only on cabbage and turnip. While this trouble is not rare in this state, it probably does not cause as much injury as in some of the trucking states further south, at least, we have rarely received specimens or complaints of it. There is no doubt that other cruciferous hosts than those reported here are occasionally attacked in Connecticut. We recently heard the statement made that in certain fields on the Sound near Granniss Corners, New Haven, where oyster shells are abundant and the high tides occasionally cover the land, this dis-

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ease is not troublesome, while other fields near by not so flooded could not be used to advantage for cruciferous crops because of it. Liming of any kind is known to lessen this trouble in the land, but whether salt water has any influence we do not know. Rotation of crops also helps to prevent it from becoming serious. Some claim however, that when once land becomes badly infected, a long time is required for it to disappear, even if not planted to susceptible crops in the meantime.

#### CELERY, Apium graveolens.

Heart Rot, Bacillus carotovorus Jones. Plate III b. Twice during the past season our attention was called to bacterial heart rots of celery in the field. In the early winter there was also considerable complaint of a general bacterial rot of the banked celery. In the first instance the rot was on young plants which has been grown in rows in the field for transplanting later. When seen by us in early July so many plants were severely injured or killed outright that the stand was very poor. These infected plants were on the farm of Mr. Burton of East Haven, whose land is a reclaimed swamp, consisting of very deep, black humus subject to great variations in moisture. The celery had been thoroughly watered during the season by the Skinner sprinkling system. The trouble was confined to the Golden Self-Blanching variety, which is very tender, and on account of this disease cannot now be grown there to advantage.

The injured plants could be detected by their yellowed appearance, and in advanced stages by the ease with which they could be pulled from the ground. The trouble showed in very young plants, which were often killed outright, as well as in those which had reached a fair size. The rot did not at first appear on the outside of the stalk, but when cut open, a reddish discoloration of the tissues could be seen at the heart. The germs evidently gained entrance at the base of the lowest leaves, possibly through the leaf scars, or some very slight insect injury. In time, a distinct internal cavity, formed by the collapse of the rotted tissue, was evident.

In the second case called to our attention, the trouble was seen in October in a large, coarse variety of celery, about the time it was first banked for bleaching. This occurred in a small celery field belonging to Mr. Jacobs near Granniss Corners, New Haven.

When the still green, but somewhat wilted plants, were pulled up, often no indication of the trouble showed on the outside of the stalks, yet when these were cut open the injury (see illustration) was very conspicuous as a large decayed cavity in the heart of the stalk extending down into the upper part of the root. In advanced cases the plants rotted off below the ground and were very easily pulled up. Fortunately this trouble, while conspicuous, was not very abundant in this field, and occurred only in those rows where some poorly growing lettuce had been plowed under earlier in the season. The rotting tissues of the lettuce no doubt furnished a start for the decay of the celery, which was further favored by the warm, very moist weather of October.

Apparently no one in this country has yet described a bacterial decay of celery caused by a definitely named organism. Both Harrison and Jones (see discussion under Salsify, page 25 of this report), however, produced a rot of celery with pure cultures of Bacillus carotovorus, though neither investigator was studying this as a cause of celery rot. Since this species seems to be a common agent of soft decay of various vegetables, we have little doubt that it was the agent responsible in the cases under investigation. While cultures were obtained, special studies of these have not yet been made.

Halsted (N. J. Exp. Stat. Spec. Bull. Q:10-12. 1892.) has described an unnamed bacterial disease of celery leaves and stalks, chiefly on Golden Plume, from New Jersey, which he was able to reproduce on the leaves. He also says that "the germs, when introduced into the core of a plant, cause this tender portion to decay with greater rapidity than when placed in the leaf tissue." He further states that: "The same trucker has lost a large percentage of his carrots from bacterial decay, and this suggests a possible connection between the two. \* \* \* That this disease is serious may be judged from the fact that a large grower has lost his whole last crop, the heart of each plant melting away to a worthless mass of rottenness." From Halsted's general description it would appear that he had to do with the same disease that we have under consideration.

Selby (Ohio Agr. Exp. Stat. Bull. 241:385) also described a bacterial heart rot of celery apparently identical with ours, as follows: "The inner parts rot very suddenly, and emit a penetrating odor, and the market value of the affected celery is destroyed. The de-

cayed parts are teeming with motile bacteria, to which this form of decay has been attributed. The heart rot prevails in very hot, steaming weather, but preventive measures are about all that can be recommended. It is suggested that when the boards are first put up to the celery under such conditions as accompany the heart rot, they should be left apart at the top, and only closed up to the usual point after an interval of several days. This secures better ventilation, and often prevents the disease."

In Italy there has been described by Dr. Brizi (Centr. für Bakter. 3<sup>2</sup>:575–9. 1897.) a bacterial disease of the stalks and leaves of celery which, while it seemed to start as external yellowish, and finally reddish, cankers at the base of the leaf stalk, is perhaps only a variation of this same trouble. He found that the leaf invasion was internal, from the bacteria in the cankers at the base through the fibrovascular bundles out into the leaf tissues, instead of by direct external infection. The organism causing the disease is described as a new species, *Bacterium Apii*, which was later named by Migula *Bacillus Apii* (Brizi) Migula.

#### CORN, Zea Mays.

Corn Molds, Cephalothecium roseum Cda., etc. Plate IV b. According to newspaper accounts, corn in certain parts of the state suffered from mold at harvest time. We had no opportunity to investigate these cases, but an examination of the corn grown on the Station farm at Mount Carmel showed a little trouble of this sort. The mold developed only on immature or imperfectly cured corn that was husked late in the fall. The kernels, where they came in contact with each other, were covered with a conspicuous superficial white mycelial growth which often had a pinkish cast. Some of the kernels had an olive-black growth which also entered into the tissues of the kernels and cob. The trouble evidently was caused by two or more fungi, the most conspicuous of which was the pink mold named above. Species of Cladosporium and Penicillium have also been found at times on corn.

#### CURRANT, Ribes rubrum.

Anthracnose, *Pseudopeziza Ribis* (Lib.) Kleb. (*Glæosporium Ribis*.) Plate IV a. While currants are not grown extensively in this state, there are several plantations of from one to several acres.

One of the largest and most recent of these is that on the farm of the American Optical Company at Union. Visiting this farm last summer, the writer found a number of different varieties growing and some of them were being considerably injured by anthracnose. This is the most common and injurious fungous foe of the currant in Connecticut, and this year it was unusually common. Previously we had found it only on the foliage, where it produced numerous, small, purplish or reddish-brown spots, which, if abundant, caused premature defoliation. At this plantation not only were the blades and petioles of the leaves copiously spotted, causing defoliation of the lower part of the plant by the middle of July, but the fruit also was abundantly infected.

Stewart (N. Y. Agr. Exp. Stat. Bull. 199) and others have previously recorded this fungus on the fruit. While on the berries at Union it was usually less conspicuous than on the leaves, being entirely absent on some varieties, on others it was so abundant that it did considerable harm. The Wilder was one of the worst infected. This trouble is quite distinct from the bitter rot of the berries described in our Report for 1907, as shown by the photographs given there and in this report. The anthracnose appears on the fruit as more or less numerous, small, circular, dark specks about the size of a pinhead, which are in strong contrast to the light green of the young fruit. The fruiting bodies also occur on the pedicels of the fruit, and, according to Stewart, on the new wood, the latter offering a means for carrying it over the winter.

The parasitic stage of this anthracnose fungus belongs to the genus of imperfect fungi known as Glœosporium. Klebahn (Zeitschr. Pflanzenkr. 16:65–83) in 1906 showed that its mature stage is a Pseudopeziza, and that this appears in spring on the old infected leaves that last through the winter. This stage serves as one of the sources of infection of the new leaves in spring. Burning the leaves after all have fallen, especially in a badly diseased plantation, is helpful in limiting the disease. This, coupled with spraying, should usually prevent the fungus from causing any serious injury. Bordeaux mixture is the best fungicide to use, and the spraying should start as soon as the leaves begin to unfold. Two or more treatments at intervals of about two weeks, should be given, the number depending upon the severity of the trouble the previous year. It may be necessary, when the disease is especially difficult to control, to continue the treatments after harvesting the fruit.

#### DAISY, SHASTA, Chrysanthemum Leucanthemum hybridum.

LEAF SPOT, Septoria Leucanthemi Sacc. and Speg. In the fall of the past year the writer found in a local nursery a funcus causing spotting of the leaves of the Shasta daisy. The conspicuous reddish-brown spots were angular or roundish, about onequarter to one-half inch in diameter, frequently running together into larger irregular areas, the dead tissues being in sharp contrast to the surrounding healthy parts. Under conditions favorable to it the disease is capable of causing serious injury to the foliage. We have previously reported a somewhat similar trouble on the leaves of the cultivated chrysanthemum, C. sinense. The latter trouble we have ascribed to Cylindrosporium Chrysanthemi E. & D. Some years before Ellis and Dearness named this species. Saccardo and Spegazzini described on C. Leucanthemum, of which the Shasta daisy is a hybrid form, the fungus Septoria Leucanthemi. Both these fungi have spores very similar, though those of the latter are described as larger. Their generic position is somewhat doubtful, since in the Cylindrosporium there are indications of a perithecial body, and in our specimens on Shasta daisy the perithecia are not as distinct as is usual in a Septoria.

Since our fungus on the Shasta daisy has practically the same host, and its spores agree best with those of the Septoria, we have placed it under Septoria Leucanthemi, but we believe that the fungus described under Cylindrosporium Chrysanthemi, if not identical, is a very closely related species. The spores on the Shasta daisy are elongated, linear, straight, or more or less conspicuously curved, rather abundantly septate, with guttulate contents. They vary from  $65-130\mu$  x 3-5  $\mu$ , but are usually 75-110  $\mu$  x 3-4  $\mu$ , and taper from near the center in either direction, chiefly toward the free end, where they are about 1  $\mu$  in diameter. Several other smaller-spored species of Septoria have been described on both of these hosts.

#### EUONYMUS, CLIMBING, Euonymus radicans.

Crown Gall, Bacterium tumefaciens Sm. & Towns. This bacterial gall was sent to us the past fall on specimens of the above host from a local nursery. It had been previously collected there on a related host, Japanese bittersweet, as well as on several

other hosts. The climbing Euonymus seems to be a new host for this disease in this country.

#### JUNIPER, CHINESE, Juniperus chinensis.

Rust, Gymnosporangium Harwanum Syd. In our Report for 1911-12, page 350, we mentioned finding on imported specimens of juniper from Japan the rust Gymnosporangium japonicum Syd. These specimens showed the rust not only on the large woody stems, but also in certain plants on the young green stems at the base of the appressed leaves, and more rarely directly on the awlshaped leaves. We did not consider this latter form as specifically distinct from the form on the large stems, since Shirai (Zeitschr. Pflanzenkr. 10:1-5. 1900.), in his description of the life history of the fungus, states that it occurs on both stems and leaves. A microscopic examination of the leaf form, however, showed some difference in the spores, as indicated by our remark that "those on the leaves are as a rule smaller than those on the stem." The spores of this leaf form are chiefly 35-45µ, while those on the stem are chiefly 45-65µ, according to our recent measurements.

Long (Journ. Agr. Research 1:353-6. 1914.), who received specimens of this leaf form from our collection, has recently published it as a new species under the name Gymnosporangium chinensis. He gives characters that distinguish it from G. japonicum, chief of which is the size of the spores. While Long describes this as a new species, he notes its very close relationship to G. Haræanum Syd. H. & P. Sydow (Ann. Myc. 10:405. 1912.) describe this species on the same host as our fungus, and from material sent by Hara from Japan. Long, however, comparing our leaf form with that described by the Sydows, says: "G. chinensis and G. Harwanum are so closely related that the writer would not publish the former as a new species until he had examined the type material of the latter. After a careful examination, however, the conclusion was reached that the two were distinct, as they differ in certain fundamental microscopic characters. These differences are shown in the description given of each species. The most marked difference between these two species is the position of the germ pores in the colorless, thin-walled teliospores. In G. chinensis they are plainly apical in the upper cell, while in G.

Harwanum they are just as certainly situated only at the septum in both cells."

We have again carefully examined our specimens of the leaf form, and while we find it difficult to determine the position of the germ pores on many of the cells of the thinner-walled spores, in almost all cases where we could see them they occurred at the septum rather than apically, as Long states. Even Long in his specific description says: "Pores one or two in each cell, near septum, or usually only one in upper cell, and apical." Sydow's specific description of G. Harwanum agrees very well with our specimen, and the host and general locality are the same. We see no real reason for considering Long's species as distinct. This conclusion is further strengthened by a recent article by Ito (Tokio Bot. Mag. 27:220-3. N. 1913.) in which he calls attention to the two species, G. japonicum and G. Harwanum, on the same host, which he states that Shirai confused as one. He says: "This author [Shirai] reports that the sori of this Gymnosporangium [G. japonicum] occur not only on the stem and branches of Juniperus chinensis, as the original diagnosis of Sydow states, but also on the leaves. This statement by Shirai has been cited in several works," among which is mentioned our article already referred to.

Ito also states that Miyabe and Yamada have for some time considered these two forms distinct. He further made infection experiments, and found that G. japonicum had for its aecial stage Ræstelia Photiniæ P. Henn. on Photinia villosa, but failed to infect Pyrus sinensis and several related hosts. Hara (Tokio Bot. Mag. 27, no. 319. 1913.) recently showed, however, that G. Haræanum has for its aecial stage Ræstelia Koreænsis on pear leaves. According to Ito, Miyabe and Yamada had already proved that G. asiaticum Miyabe, which Ito gives as a synonym of G. Haræanum, has its aecial stage on leaves of Pyrus sinensis, Cydonia vulgaris, and C. japonica. He concludes that there are therefore two species on this juniper, namely Gymnosporangium japonicum and G. Harwanum. Why he does not use the older name, G. asiaticum, for the latter species, is not clear, since he cites its publication by Miyabe (Tokio Bot. Mag. 17:34.) in 1903. Sydow (Just. Bot. Jahresb. 32:166) also gives it questioningly as a synonym of G. japonicum.

#### JUNIPER, Juniperus communis.

Rust, Gymnosporangium clavariæforme (Jacq.) DC. Plate IV c. This rust, while occurring on our native junipers, has not been reported before on cultivated forms. While inspecting nursery stock imported in March from James Fils, Ussy, France, by the C. R. Burr Nursery Company, Durham, Ct., Mr. Walden, in a lot of one thousand Juniperus communis var. hibernica, ran across 78 specimens that were infected with this rust, and had developed the gelatinous fruiting sori in transit. The fungus causes slight swellings on the stem, and on these the sori show as flat, tongue-shaped, light-orange colored bodies from 4 to 10 mm. in length. Various species of Crataegus, Amelanchier, Pyrus, etc., form the alternate hosts for the aecial stage of this fungus, but as yet little injury to cultivated hosts has been reported in this country.

#### LAUREL, MOUNTAIN, Kalmia latifolia.

Leaf Blight, Cercospora Kalmiæ E. & E. This fungus forms on the leaves dark brown spots with prominent purplish borders. The fruiting threads are grouped as inconspicuous pustules on the upper surface. We have not found the disease as yet doing any conspicuous injury. It can usually be distinguished from the more common Leaf Spot on the same host, as the latter forms smaller spots with a lighter center.

#### LIMA BEANS, Phaseolus lunatus.

Arsenical Burn. Early in July of the past summer we were called to determine the cause of the sudden injury to pole Lima beans on the farm of one of our large market gardeners. The plants were still young, most of them having developed only the first pair of leaves above the cotyledons, and on these were irregular, light-yellow, injured areas which more or less covered their surface. Reddish spots also showed on the stems of some of them. In most cases the terminal bud escaped injury, though a few of the plants were killed outright.

We found that the trouble, instead of being some destructive blight, as believed by the grower, was due to arsenical burn from Paris green in bran which had been placed around the plants for cutworms a short time before. Some of the poisoned bran had fallen on the foliage, as shown by its presence there at this time, and in general it had been placed too close to the stems, with the consequent serious result already mentioned. We have previously noted Paris green burn on potato foliage, when it was used in dust form to kill potato beetles. The foliage of some plants is much more susceptible than that of others, and the Lima bean seems to be in the former class.

#### MAPLE, HARD, Acer saccharum.

Oil Injury. During the past year we had called to our attention, first by Mr. Bartlett of Stamford, and later by Mr. Tyler of Meriden, both tree specialists, cases where the bark on the trunks of hard maples was killed to such an extent that the trees that were not already dead were sure to die eventually. It is often difficult to tell the cause of these bark injuries on city street trees, since escaping gas in the soil, sun scorch, winter injury, etc., produce very similar troubles. However, the above cases were directly traceable to the use of certain oils in treating the trees to kill the scurfy bark scale.

At Meriden, the trees had been scrubbed the year previous in most cases with pure kerosene oil, while those at Stamford had been sprayed with certain standard miscible oils. Mr. Bartlett informed us that he had found it very dangerous to use these miscible oils for winter spraying on hard maples, though soft maples do not seem to be injured. Stone (Reprint Mass. Agr. Exp. Stat. Rept. 1912:47) speaks of similar injury to various trees. Following the injury, certain fungi are apt to appear on the dead or dying bark, and the superficial observer may mistake these for the cause of the injury.

#### PALM, KENTIA, ? Howea Belmoreana.

Anthracnose, Glomerella cingulata (Ston.) Sp. & v. S. Mr. Walden, in examining some imported Kentia palms at a local florist's, found a disease that frequently caused the leaves to die, especially at their tips. Its fruiting stage showed in places on the foliage as numerous, small, black, circular bodies, bearing abundant conidial spores similar to those of the bitter rot of apple and the privet anthracnose fungus mentioned later in this report.

Shear (Bur. Pl. Ind. Bull. 252:14, 36.) reports this fungus

under the above name on a Kentia palm belonging to the genus Hedyscepe, and the writer saw in Illinois some years ago a similar fungus in the Gloeosporium stage on undetermined species of Kentia palm. The fungus at times apparently does considerable injury, especially when it attacks the plants at the base, causing the death of the parts above. Apparently this fungus has been reported under other species of Gloeosporium, as shown by the following statement of Trelease (Rept. Mo. Bot. Gard. 9:159. 1898.): "In October, 1897, Mr. W. J. Hesser, a large importer and grower of palms, sent to the Garden leaves of Kentia and Phœnix affected by unrecognized fungi. The latter were referred to Professor P. A. Saccardo, who reports that the one on young specimens of Kentia is Glæosporium Allescheri Bres., which, however, may be considered a palmicolous form of G. sphærelloides Sacc." Other Gloeosporiums have been reported on different palmaceous hosts, but whether they are distinct from this is uncertain.

#### PARSNIP, Pastinaca sativa.

Soft Rot, Bacillus carotovorus Jones. We have seen in American literature no reference to a bacterial rot of parsnip occurring in nature. Jones (Vt. Agr. Exp. Stat. Rept. 13:309. 1901.), however, gives the results of successful inoculation of parsnips with the above bacterial species obtained originally from a soft rot of carrots. His description of the soft rot of carrot agrees with a soft rot of stored parsnips which was called to our attention in 1910, at a local market garden. A more detailed account of this soft rot is given in this report, page 25, under Salsify, as it was observed on stored roots of the latter at the same place.

#### PEACH, Prunus Persica.

Leaf Curl, Exoascus deformans (Berk.) Fckl. Plate V a. We have mentioned previously in this paper that leaf curl of peach was unusually abundant on the leaves and young twigs this year. In the Barnes orchards at Yalesville, however, we found this fungus for the first time on the fruit. The trouble in its young stage was so obscure that we thought it might be frost or spray injury, but a microscopical examination of the in-

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fected tissues revealed this fungus in fruiting condition. In July the trouble showed as conspicuous blotches, sometimes covering half the surface of the fruit. These were whitish, but often had more or less of a purplish color, as seen on the curled leaves. The blotches were slightly elevated, with a more or less irregular, smoothish surface, usually indented at the edges. In time these areas became more or less cracked, thus opening the way for subsequent decay. This injury is sometimes very conspicuous on the larger fruits, causing deformity and stunting of those badly affected.

While we have never before seen the fruit affected by this disease. Duggar, in his book on Fungous Diseases of Plants writes: "The idea generally prevails that the leaf curl occurs only upon the leaves and young branches, but the flowers and young fruit are likewise subject to attack." Pierce (U. S. Dept. Agr. Div. Veg. Path. Bull. 20:13) also says: "It is known to cause considerable losses of the fruit in some sections." No doubt this loss comes chiefly from the dropping of the young fruit. We have seen no statement, however, of its appearance on the half-grown and mature fruit, such as occurred in the Yalesville orchard. The trouble even here was not so common as to become very noticeable.

#### PINE, NORTHERN SCRUB, Pinus Banksiana.

PINE-SWEETFERN RUST, Peridermium Comptoniæ (Arth.) Ort. & Adams. We have previously reported six species of pine that have been infected with the above named rust in the State forest at Rainbow. Last May Pinus Banksiana was also found infected. We have used the spores from most of these hosts, including the last, to successfully infect the sweet fern with the II stage of this rust.

Arthur and Kern (Science 38:311. 1913. Mycol. 6:131. 1914.) have recently shown that Peridermium pyriforme Peck, under which name we have previously reported this rust, is an entirely different species whose telial stage apparently occurs on Comandra umbellata. (See also article by Orton and Adams in Phytopath. 4:23. 1914.)

#### POPLAR, WHITE, Populus alba.

CROWN GALL, Bacterium tumefaciens Sm. & Towns. These

galls were found the past summer on exposed roots near the trunk of a white poplar in the writer's yard. This makes ten different hosts upon which crown gall has now been reported in this state. They are as follows: Apple, bitter sweet (Japanese), blackberry, Euonymus (climbing), peach, plum, poplar (white), raspberry, rose, wistaria (Chinese). There are, no doubt, other hosts beside these here. On none of them have we had complaint of serious injury except on blackberry, raspberry and rose.

There is some question as to just how injurious the disease is here, even when the galls are abundant. In some regions, however, crown gall is considered very harmful. It is always safest to reject any plants showing the galls. Generally, nursery and greenhouse men cut off only the infected parts of the roots. Our nursery inspectors now condemn stock found infected with galls, though where plants are inspected only in the field it is impossible to detect galls on the roots.

#### POTATO. Solanum tuberosum.

BLACK LEG, Bacillus phytophthorus Appel. Last June in the potato field of Mr. John S. Buck at Wethersfield we noticed occasional plants grown from Maine seed that showed this disease, while the part of the field planted with selected home-grown tubers did not show it. The plants attacked by black leg are smaller, stiffer, and have vellowish, often curled, leaves. The stem near and under the ground reveals a very characteristic black rot, starting from the seed tuber, which is destroyed by a wet rot. Badly infected plants are easily pulled from the ground. The new tubers usually show no decay, but under very moist conditions, or with much humus in the soil, we have found them decaying badly, as they are said to do in Canada and Europe.

In our Reports for 1903, page 350, and for 1904, page 324, we described and illustrated a bacterial disease of potato which in the latter report was referred questioningly to Bacillus Solanacearum. This we now believe to be what is commonly called black leg, which at that time had not been reported in this country. Specimens of our earliest collections and those from Wethersfield were sent to Morse of Maine, who has made a special study of this disease, and he confirms our opinion as follows: "I am pretty well satisfied in my own mind that all the specimens you sent are

from plants attacked by black leg. This being the case, they represent the first authentic report of the disease in the United States, as these collections antedate Jones' observations in Vermont by two or three years. However, I am convinced that it existed in Maine for quite a number of years before it was reported. It was not found earlier simply because no one was working upon plant diseases in the state who had special training along that line."

Several investigators in Germany, Ireland, France and Canada have described bacterial diseases of the stem and tubers of potatoes said to be caused by different bacterial organisms, but which are possibly merely this same disease. We accept here the conclusions of Jones and his pupils, who found the American disease to be the same as that described by Appel in Germany. As yet black leg in Connecticut is not a serious trouble. Morse believes that germs are carried on the tubers, and he found that the selection of perfectly sound tubers and their treatment with formalin, as for scab, will largely prevent black leg in the field.

#### PRIVET, Ligustrum vulgare.

Anthracnose, Glomerella cingulata (Ston.) Sp. & v. S. In September there was sent to this Station by the Elm City Nursery Company of Westville injured twigs of privet imported the previous spring from France. Microscopical examination showed that the asco-stage of the above-named fungus was present on some of the branches. In our 1909–10 Report, page 733, we mentioned receiving this fungus from the same nursery, where it was found that time also on imported French nursery stock, but only in its conidial stage, Glosporium cingulatum Atk. The spores of both the conidial and asco-stages are very similar.

An inspection of this privet plantation in October showed that quite a number of the branches had been killed. These were not completely invaded by the fungus, but were killed by its girdling the stem for an inch or two and then forming the fruiting pustules as small black outbreaks on the reddish-brown dead area. The girdled areas may occur at the base of the stem near the ground, at its juncture with a branch, or at some distance above. When the stem is completely girdled the leaves above soon wither and die, and later the stem also gradually succumbs. It seems to the

writer that while this may develop into a serious trouble on the privet, especially on the French variety, the weakening of the imported plants through transplanting, and their subjection to the June-July drought may have been largely responsible for its unusual development. However, it is a disease which needs watching to determine how serious it may become.

#### RED TOP, Agrostis alba.

Sclerotium Disease, Sclerotium rhizodes Auersw. This disease of meadow grasses has been fully described rather recently by Stout (Wis. Agr. Exp. Stat. Research Bull. 18:207-61. 1911.) who found it affecting a variety of grasses, but most frequently on Calamagrostis canadensis. The writer, upon the suggestion by Stout that this fungus occurred in Connecticut, succeeded in finding it on Red Top in a wet meadow at Wethersfield, last June, and we have no doubt that it occurs elsewhere in the state on this and other grasses. Curiously enough, Red Top is one of the hosts that Stout found apparently immune in Wisconsin. The fungus sometimes causes serious injury to meadows, but where observed by us, while conspicuous, was not a very serious pest.

The infected plants become noticeable by the dying of the infected leaves, which roll up near their tips, the narrowed whitened tissue being in sharp contrast with the healthy green part below. The injured culms do not attain their normal height, and in early summer their dead tips give the impression of having been nipped by frost. The leaves when closely inspected usually show a slight growth of the whitish mycelium, but more conspicuous are the more or less numerous, small, oval, purple-black sclerotia, which are one-fifth of an inch or less in diameter, and loosely attached to the surface of the leaves. So far as known, these sterile sclerotia are the only fruiting stage of the fungus.

#### RHODODENDRON, Rhododendron sps.

Leaf Scorch, Plate V b. From time to time there have been sent to this Station leaves of Rhododendron, usually R. maximum, which were injured in spots, or more frequently at the margins, so that the tissues had died prematurely. Usually no fungus showed on these dead areas, or, if so, it was not of a parasitic nature. Such troubles have apparently resulted from winter injury

of the old leaves, or from sun scorch to both old and new ones.

One of the worst cases seen was called to our attention in New Haven last July. In this instance, as frequently in others where this trouble has occurred, the shrubs had recently been transplanted. They were in a rather dry place, with no special shade or mulch to protect them or the soil from rapid loss of water, consequently, following the rather severe June-July drought, they suddenly showed early in July many reddish-brown dead leaf margins, as in the illustration. Where the house north of which they were planted provided partial shade, the plants developed very little of the trouble. Such shrubs need some shade protection to do their best, and cultivation or mulching of the ground to conserve the moisture is also a helpful precaution.

#### ROSE, Rosa sps.

MECHANICAL SPOTTING by Pilobolus crystallinus (Wigg.) Tode. Plate VI a. A peculiar, though slight, injury to the foliage and blossoms of roses and other greenhouse plants was called to our attention the past fall by Mr. John Coombs, a Hartford florist, who wrote: "I am sending you by same mail as this a box containing some rose leaves covered with small black spots. Can you tell me what the trouble is? It appears only on two benches in a six bench house, the two benches which have been recently mulched with fresh cow manure. The other four benches have not been mulched, and do not show any trace of the trouble except on the side of the bench next to one that has been mulched. The roses are healthy and in good growth. The trouble is new to me, but seems in some way to be connected with the manure used in mulching. It has been suggested that they are fly specks, but there are very few flies in the house, and they are scattered all over the house. Let me hear from you as soon as possible if you can give any explanation of the trouble."

An examination of the small black spots on the leaves showed that they were merely the spore heads of the fungus *Pilobolus crystallinus*, which develops on fresh manure. These spore heads, when ripe, are shot off into the air and stick to the objects on which they alight. This fungus in time is replaced by other fungi in the manure, and the spore heads cease to be shot off. Such was soon the case here, and as no objection was raised by the pur-

chasers of the roses, the trouble did not prove so serious as Mr. Coombs feared it might when it was first observed by him.

#### SALSIFY, Trapogon porrifolius.

SOFT ROT, Bacillus carotovorus Jones. Plate VI b. In December there was called to our attention at the market garden of A. N. Farnham, Westville, a soft rot of salsify. The roots had been placed in pits ordinarily used for hot beds, and covered over to protect them from frost. As more or less of the green tops adhered, and the weather of late fall had been unusually warm and moist, these conditions and storage with poor ventilation had favored decay. In a number of cases this decay extended down from the crown into the interior of the roots for a considerable distance. The interior tissues only were seriously affected, while the harder outside tissues formed a firm coating to this central decay. The bacteria, however, invaded the fibrovascular bundles. as shown by their blackening, in advance of the soft inner rot. which was also a darker color than the healthy tissues. The inner lamellæ of the cells attacked by the bacteria dissolved in time, so that the cells were easily pressed apart. This same rot was also found on stored salsify roots at the Station grounds, and apparently was not an uncommon trouble this year.

We have found no description of a soft rot of salsify occurring in nature, except a short note by Halsted (N. J. Agr. Exp. Stat. Rept. 1894:354) in which he said: "Bacteriosis is not uncommon in the crown of the salsify plant, where it causes a decay that may extend down and destroy the root." Jones, however (Vt. Agr. Exp. Stat. Rept. 13:310. 1901.), was able to produce a decay in salsify roots by inoculation with his Bacillus carotovorus. He writes concerning this inoculated salsify: "Two roots of this plant decayed when inoculated in the crown, and did so less rapidly than did carrot or turnip. The decay advanced faster in the fibrovascular ring than in the adjacent parenchyma." This germ seems from these investigations of Jones, and also those of Harrison\* and later those of Harding and Morse (N. Y. Agr. Exp.

<sup>\*</sup> Harrison (Ontario Agr. Coll. & Exp. Farm Bull. 137:1-32. 1904.) described a new bacterial rot on cauliflower and white turnip whose organism (*Bacillus oleracea* n. sp.) he isolated and used to produce rot in a variety of plants. Later Harding and Morse showed this to be the same species as that previously described by Jones.

Stat. Tech. Bull. 11:251-87. 1909.) to be the cause of soft rot in a number of different vegetables.

In the present report we have already mentioned rot of celery and parsnip, which we believe to be caused by *Bacillus carotovorus*. We have previously reported undetermined soft rots of cabbage (Rept. 1903:311) and onion (*Ibid*:334), which apparently are caused by this same organism. In the 1903 Report, page 327, mention is also made of a rootstock rot of Iris found in a local nursery, which proved the same as that originally described by van Hall (Zeitschr. Pflanzenkr. 13:129-44) from Germany. He found several bacteria associated with this rot, of which the chief was a species which he called *Bacillus omnivorus*. Harding and Morse received cultures of this species from van Hall, and found it to be the same as Jones' *Bacillus carotovorus*.

In our 1903 report, page 312, we gave the following description of a bacterial rot of carrots raised from seed, which we have not since seen: "While visiting a seed farm in the vicinity of Milford in 1902, there was observed a rather serious trouble of this host due to bacteria. The infected plants showed a wet rot, confined chiefly to the outer layers of the stem. These had a greenish-black color, were watery, and easily mashed out of place with handling. To a less extent the leaves showed blackened spots, and the inflorescence was somewhat infected. An examination of these injured parts showed plenty of bacteria, which were no doubt the cause of the trouble, though no experimental or cultural work was undertaken with them. So far the writer has seen no description by others of this trouble on carrots."

It was from a root rot of carrots that Jones originally obtained his cultures of *Bacillus carotovorus*. No one has especially investigated this trouble in the field, but this note of ours suggests that perhaps here was a case where slightly diseased roots had been used to grow seed plants, and as these became mature, the bacteria from the roots, by following through the bundles, finally invaded the soft parts of the stem and leaves and produced the decay. Brizi, in his description of a bacterial rot of celery (see present report, page 12) mentions an invasion of the leaf tissue from a basal stem rot in this manner.

While cultures of bacteria have been isolated by us from most of these vegetable rots, neither a special study of these nor inoculation tests have as yet been carried on, so that our general conclusions as to the identity of the particular organism involved are based largely on our observations and the statements of those investigators already quoted. Perhaps later we may be able to present cultural and inoculation data.

As regards the prevention of these troubles, we suggest the following precautions. First, for seed crops use no roots showing any signs of the rot. Second, avoid heavy manuring, and especially do not feed these decaying roots to animals and then use the manure on land where any such root crops are to be grown. Third, in storing try to protect the roots against excessive moisture by proper ventilation, and avoid, if possible, any overheating.

#### TOBACCO, Nicotiana Tabacum.

Phyllodiniation or String Leaves. Plate VII b. In the past few years we have several times received abnormal tobacco plants from places both in Connecticut and Massachusetts in which the chief abnormality was the excessive narrowing of the leaves, as shown in Plate VII b. Such plants are usually quite short, because of the imperfect development of the internodes, and the leaves, besides being narrowed in varying degrees, are often more or less irregularly scalloped and crinkled. Frequently such leaves show the peculiar mottling characteristic of calicoed plants, and for this reason some writers consider this appearance as an extreme condition of the mosaic disease. However, while we have seen this association, we do not believe that this deformity necessarily depends upon a calicoed condition of the plant for its development. We have never found such plants in our experimentally calicoed plots, no matter how early or severely the plants were calicoed. Furthermore, we have seen cases where such plants did not have the characteristic mosaic mottling, and we were unable to produce the disease by using their juice on young sound plants.

This trouble, while it has not received particular attention from investigators in this country, has been mentioned by a number of writers. The earliest reference we have found is given in the Annual Report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for 1874, page 58, which reads as follows: "A second cause [of abnormality] is too much wet weather after the plant starts to grow, causing it to 'French' as we term it. The leaf thickens, grows very narrow, dagger-shaped, frequently not broader than a case knife, and often as

many as fifty leaves on a plant, all of them spread out on the ground." Frenching was later described by J. B. Killebrew (Tenth Census U. S. 3:262) in 1880, in an article on the culture and curing of tobacco in the United States. He says:

"Frenching, derived from the French friser (to curl), occurs almost exclusively upon cold, stiff uplands having a close and stiff subsoil. During a wet season it is very prevalent upon clavey lands, and sometimes found upon sandy soils in small basins during excessively rainy weather. This disease renders the plant worthless when it has progressed to any considerable extent. The effects are first seen in the buds of the plant, which become of a yellow color. The leaves afterward become thick and fleshy, having a semitransparent or honey-colored appearance, and often curl around the edges downward, sometimes growing in long, narrow strips with ragged outlines. When cured, the leaves are dull and lifeless in color and very brittle. No remedy for the disease has been found. It is sometimes arrested by close plowing, or by giving the plants a vigorous pull so as to break the tap root, but the only preventive measure is to avoid planting on a soil not properly underdrained, either naturally or artificially."

Woods (Bur. Pl. Ind. Bull. 18) in 1902 figured a calicoed plant showing these leaf abnormalities, produced by cutting back the stem, but he considered this merely an extreme symptom of calico. Jenkins (Conn. Agr. Exp. Stat. Bull. 180:56. 1914.) very recently, under "String Leaves or Shoe Strings" gave the following description: "Very narrow deformed leaves, sometimes leaving little beside the midrib, are frequently associated with calico."

This disease has also been reported from a number of foreign countries. Peters (Reprint Mitteil. Kais. Biol. Anst. Land. Forstw.: 64. 1912.) gives a short description of it under the term schmalblättrigkeit, and lists it from Russia, Dalmatia, France and Java. Delacroix (Reprint Ann. de l'Inst. Nat. Agron.:21-2. 1906.) gives examples of it under the name polyphyllie. Both speak of it in connection with the mosaic-disease of tobacco. Jensen (Med. van Het Proefstat. voor Vorstenl. Tabak No. 5:68-9. 1913.) figures and describes this same trouble from Java under the name tjakar. He found that affected young plants would outgrow it if transplanted into more favorable soil conditions, though the new soil might vary greatly as to richness. If we remember correctly, this trouble has also been reported recently from West Africa, where it

developed under certain unfavorable mechanical conditions of the

The cause or causes of these abnormal plants are not fully known. The writer believes they are connected with imperfect nutrition due generally to unfavorable soil or root conditions. Under unfavorable soil conditions we would mention excessive amount of fertilizer in the soil immediately around the deformed plant. We have known of some cases where this over-fertilization seemed to be the most reasonable explanation, and Koning (Zeitschr. Pflanzenkr. 9:76. 1899.) gives a description and illustration of malformation of tobacco leaves through excessive use of certain chemicals, especially potash compounds, which seem to throw light on this subject. The improper aeration of the roots, too much moisture in the soil, or a poor mechanical condition, also seem to be factors in producing the trouble.

#### WHEAT, Triticum vulgare.

Orange Leaf Rust, Puccinia Triticina Erikss. While this rust is very common wherever wheat is grown, it has not been reported before by the Station, since in recent years very little wheat has been raised in this state. Attempts have lately been made to revive wheat culture somewhat, and in examining some of these fields the writer has found this rust several times. Its summer stage, II, forms small, dusty, orange outbreaks, covering the leaves, especially the upper surface, more or less thickly. Its less conspicuous mature stage, III, is more permanently embedded in the leaves and of a darker color.

LOOSE SMUT, Ustilago Tritici (Pers.) Jens. This is another common fungus of wheat, not previously reported. It changes the spikelets into dusty, olive-black masses, which dissipate in time, leaving behind only the naked rachis. In regions where wheat is grown extensively it sometimes becomes a serious pest.

#### II. SO-CALLED CHESTNUT BLIGHT POISONING.

#### PUBLICITY OF ALLEGED POISONING.

During the latter half of October and the whole of November there appeared in the newspapers of this state and elsewhere numerous accounts of the illness and death of persons whose sickness was popularly supposed to be in some way connected with the eating of chestnuts affected by blight, this fungus being generally held as a poisonous agent causing the trouble. These accounts, while numerous, really related to comparatively few cases of sickness.

There had also been frequent mention in the newspapers during September and October of the illness and death of persons from eating mushrooms. Concerning these cases there was no question that the illness had a direct connection with the eating of certain poisonous mushrooms. Poisonous species of the genus Amanita were unusually common last fall, and there is a growing disposition on the part of our foreign population, especially Italians, to gather miscellaneous mushrooms for food, according to customs established in their native countries. Such persons are unacquainted with our native species and unfamiliar with the poisonous nature of many of the Amanitas, consequently each year there are a number of cases of illness and death recorded. Last year these cases were unusually frequent, as shown by newspaper accounts.

During the last few years chestnut blight has been a frequent subject of discussion in the newspapers. Because of this publicity, and the great damage wrought by the blight in our forests, there are few people who have not heard of this disease, while many of them are more or less familiar with its work. Such a destructive disease often leads the partially informed to suppose that the fungus causing it is equally poisonous to men or animals if taken internally. This belief, together with the fact that there had been unusual trouble from eating poisonous mushrooms, easily opened the way for the supposition that the blight was responsible for any sudden illness following the eating of chestnuts.

A newspaper notice of the death of two children in Bristol in October, in which a doctor was credited with the statement that their death probably resulted from eating chestnuts from blighted trees, proved the forerunner of similar reports from different parts of the state, and these were widely copied and commented upon by the newspapers. We quote the following to illustrate:

"October 22. It did not become generally known until to-day that the death of ———, six years old, who died Sunday, was probably caused by his eating chestnuts which had been taken from a tree affected with blight. \* \* \* His brother is now in a serious condition, and likely to die. Six other deaths from chestnut eating occurred in Connecticut last week." That all doctors did not agree as to the cause of the trouble is shown by the following statement: "Hartford physicians are divided in their opinion regarding the danger to life and health from the chestnut blight, which has affected many trees in Connecticut and other states, and which is said to have been responsible for at least three deaths. Some believe that the nut itself is affected by the blight, and becomes a deadly poison to the eater, while others scoff at the theory, and say that the deaths reported to have come from chestnuts were probably from other causes."

These newspaper accounts finally ran from the possible into the very improbable, as indicated by the following: "Nov. 4. Local physicians have several times been called upon to treat a number of people for a peculiar malady which seems to attack the nerves of the face, arms and legs, and is accompanied by a sort of rash or eruption. In every instance the patients have eaten grey squirrels.

\* \* \* Several hunters report finding grey squirrels lying dead in the woods. There is a possibility that they may be affected by some malady, or they may have become poisoned by the chestnut blight."

"Nov. 25. Ptomaine poisoning due to eating a grey squirrel which in turn had eaten chestnuts from trees affected with blight, is the cause assigned by the attending physicians for the death of — — this morning. He was seized with convulsions Monday night, and these continued until death. It is believed to be the first known case of the kind."

There seems to be no reason whatever for connecting the death of the squirrels with the chestnut blight. Certainly there is no proof of any such connection. It is quite reasonable to believe, however, that the reported cases of illness may have had some relation to the eating of squirrels, as they may have resulted from ptomaine poisoning, especially since the fall was unusually warm, and squirrel meat would quickly spoil. There is also a bare possibility that some poisonous thing eaten by the squirrels may have

killed them or seriously affected them, thus making them unwhole-some as food. Indirect, though not very convincing, evidence along this line is shown in the following statement by Chesnut in bulletin on Principal Poisonous Plants (U. S. Dept. Agr., Div. Bot. Bull. 20) concerning our common mountain laurel. "Horses and even goats have died from eating the leaves, and in May, 1895, a monkey was killed at the National Zoological Park at Washington, D. C., by eating a few flowers and leaves offered to it by a visitor. Deer and grouse are said to be immune, and it is claimed that their flesh, especially that of the ruffed grouse, is poisonous when they have fed upon it. It is stated that chickens have been poisoned by eating the vomited matter from poisoned animals."

The newspaper publicity of so-called chestnut blight poisoning naturally caused many persons to become suspicious about eating chestnuts of any kind. Various inquiries about the poisonous nature of the blight were sent to the Station, and the writer undertook to investigate the subject, since he had already made extensive studies of the blight fungus itself.

#### NATURE OF THE TROUBLE.

Persons Affected. So far as we could learn from newspaper and other information, there were from five to eight deaths in this state attributed directly or indirectly to eating blighted chestnuts, and perhaps twice that number of persons who were made more or less seriously ill. Of those who died, three were children, six or under six years of age. One was a woman of about thirty years, of whom the papers stated that "although she had not been well of late, it was not thought that her previous condition caused her death." One was a young man of about thirty years, whose death was attributed to eating grey squirrel, with the further statement that he also had not been in good health previously. Concerning the other two or three persons who died no very definite information was obtained.

Dr. T. C. Merrill of Washington, D. C., in a recent article (Journ. Amer. Med. Asso. 62:289–90. 1914.) gives data concerning twenty-one persons said to have been made ill by eating chestnuts last fall, and of these eighteen are credited to Connecticut. Of these eighteen there were four who died, one three years, two six years, and one thirty-two years old, and these are undoubtedly included

among those already mentioned by us. Since out of the five to eight deaths three were children and two were persons not in good health, it can readily be seen that acute indigestion from eating chestnuts might account for their death without the assumption of poisoning. In order to gain a little more light on the nature and cause of their illness, we wrote for information to some of the persons concerned. Answers were received from several, including the father and the physician in charge of the children whose death was first attributed directly to the blight fungus. These letters, while they show some possible connection between the eating of chestnuts and the subsequent illness, do not in our opinion give any convincing evidence that the blight had anything to do with it.

The father of the children above mentioned wrote as follows: "In reply to your letter regarding the death of my little boys, I wish to state that the children were internally poisoned. They were eating chestnuts the night they were taken sick. These came from a tree that was blighted. There is a brook that runs back of my house, which several houses empty into, and there have been chestnuts taken out of it. The tree hangs over the brook, so therefore my children might have gotten some of these. My brother's little boy, four years old, is seriously sick from the same thing, that is, it seems to be the same, but his doctor claims that the bloody dysentery, with the other conditions of the child, is the same as the epidemic they had here in 1905, when so many children died."

Symptoms: The doctor who attended the two boys already mentioned, sends us the following letter concerning their symptoms:

"In reply to your letter of the 13th inst. regarding the death of the two children from so-called chestnut blight poisoning, I will give you the facts so far as I can remember them. The three-year old boy during the evening of October 6th ate some chestnuts. He retired as usual about seven-thirty. Vomited once or twice during the night, was restless and complained of severe pain in the abdomen. His mother gave him castor oil, which was vomited immediately. The following day he began to have loose movements, which were not carefully observed. When seen by me at six p. m. October 7th, temperature was 101, pulse 130, physical examination negative. Great prostration present. Patient lies in stuporous state, taking no notice of surroundings. Tongue dry and coated. Abdomen sunken and negative, not rigid. Deep pressure causes no pain. Mother says patient has not vomited since night before. Outside of loose bowels. temperature, and fact that patient looks sick, nothing else made out on physical examination, most notable features being great prostration and stupor, in which mother says patient has been all day.

October 8. Temperature 100, pulse 120, movements very foul, greenish in color, contain mucus and are streaked with blood. Had a movement about every hour during the night accompanied by abdominal pain. Vomited a brownish fluid three or four times during night. Still continues in stuporous condition, having to be aroused to take teaspoonful doses of albumen water and his medicine.

October 9. Temperature 97 and a fraction. Pulse 120. Bowels still very loose and greenish in color, considerable mucus present, and amount of blood greater than on previous days. Abdomen sunken, but not rigid. Still in state of collapse, but seems brighter than on previous days. Takes more notice of what is going on around him. Tongue dry and coated. Physical examination otherwise negative.

October 10. Temperature 97, pulse 120, practically same conditions exist as on previous days. Frequent greenish, bloody movements containing considerable mucus and accompanied by abdominal pain. Nothing retained by mouth except teaspoonful doses of albumen water. Called at ten p. m. same day. Patient had been vomiting quite freely for the last few hours. Vomitus was copious, greenish, and contained some mucus. Patient in stupor and very weak. He died at five a. m. next morning.

The other child, five years old, was taken suddenly ill on morning of October 10th, while mother was dressing him for school. When seen by me at ten o'clock that morning, he was suffering greatly with abdominal pains. Temperature was in neighborhood of 102. Had not vomited up to that time. On examination, tongue was dry and coated, abdomen sunken and soft, otherwise physical examination negative. Began to have loose bowels that afternoon, at first foecal in character, but soon became watery, greenish, with considerable mucus. Temperature at ten p. m. same day was 103, pulse 140. Delirious, recognizes nobody. Bowels move about every half hour. They are foul smelling, greenish in color, but contain no blood. He vomited a greenish fluid several times

during the night. Taken to hospital early in morning, October 10th, where he died October 12th at one p. m.

From the beginning of their sickness both patients were completely overcome by the virulence of the poison. They seemed to offer no resistance whatever. They had both eaten freely of chestnuts from a neighboring tree which was affected by blight. The mother is sure the youngest child had not eaten anything else out of the way. Their surroundings were fairly sanitary. The drinking water was found O. K. on chemical examination.

The symptoms of these two boys agree fairly well with each other, but are not entirely the same as those of some others who were made sick. Dr. Merrill, who has already been referred to, obtained data regarding symptoms of twenty-one persons, whose ages ranged from three to sixty-three years. Thirteen out of twenty-one, however, were under fifteen years of age. He has tabulated these symptoms as positive, negative, or undetermined for each case. From this table we have condensed the following information, giving only those symptoms where the evidence was positive in three or more of the cases enumerated:

Abdominal cramps. 7 " " 18 " " " Diarrhoea. 8 " " 19 " " " " " " " Blood in stool. 4 " " 18 " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	Moderate fever 10, high fever 3	3	out	of	18	cases	reported
Blood in stool.       4 " " 18 " "         Negative abdomen.       12 " " — " "         Constipation.       10 " " 19 " "         Pain in left stomach.       8 " " 18 " "         Vomiting 11, nausea 5.       16 " " 19 " "         Full slow pulse.       5 " " 13 " "         Rapid heart.       3 " " 14 " "         Pallor.       3 " " 16 " "         Vertigo.       3 " " 18 " "         Drowsiness or stupor.       3 " " 18 " "         Restlessness.       5 " " 18 " "         Delirium.       3 " " 20 " "         Coma.       3 " " 20 " "         Prodomal fatigue.       8 " " 20 " "         Great prostration.       15 " " 16 " "         Sweating.       3 " " 18 " "         Diagnosed toxemia.       12 " " 21 " "	Abdominal cramps	7	44	66	18	"	"
Negative abdomen.	Diarrhoea	8	"	"	19	"	**
Constipation.	Blood in stool	4	"	"	18		**
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Ate nuts from blighted trees 3, ate raw nuts 15, ate boiled nuts 2, undetermined 1 =21.

It would appear from the preceding statements that the trouble

was due to some toxic substance taken by or developed in the patient. It likewise seems reasonable to suppose that the chest-nuts eaten had some connection with this trouble. It is not clear, however, that the blight bore any definite relationship to it.

#### Possible Causes of Trouble.

Let us now consider more in detail the possible causes of these apparently unusual cases of sickness. There have occurred to us several possible explanations, mentioned under the following headings:

(1) Indigestibility of Chestnuts. It is a matter of common experience with most people that eating heartily of nuts of any kind is liable to bring on indigestion or more serious trouble. We are told that children are very apt to overeat on chestnuts, and that after a diet of these nuts for several days, pimples are liable to break out on the body, especially on the face, thus showing some sort of toxic effect. Abdominal cramps, more or less severe, often accompany this excessive eating. Professor Graves, of the Yale Botanical Department, informs the writer that he read in a local newspaper several years ago of a woman who ate two quarts of chestnuts, and died from the effects of this overeating.

Considering that thirteen of the twenty-one cases reported by Dr. Merrill were children, it seems quite likely that overeating might naturally occur. This was more likely in view of the fact that last year's crop of chestnuts in this state was rather large, especially so when compared with the rather spare crops of the two or three previous years. In the case of the two boys mentioned, we find that the doctor states that both ate freely of chestnuts, though in this case there is another possible explanation, that the trouble was due to bloody dysentery.

(2) Poisoning Due to Immaturity, etc., of Nuts. We have failed to find any reference in literature that states specifically that chestnuts under any condition possess poisonous qualities. It is a well known fact, however, that the bark and wood of the chestnut contain from six to twelve per cent. of tannin, an astringent that would produce trouble if taken in large enough quantities. Whether or not this ever occurs in the nuts in sufficient quantities to cause trouble, we do not know. Neither Pammel

nor Chesnut, in their articles on poisonous plants, mention the chestnut. The oak and beech, however, belong to the same family as the chestnut, and, as mention of poisoning of stock from eating the nuts of these trees is not infrequent in literature, it is quite possible that some similar poisonous principle is sometimes developed in the chestnut.

Chesnut (Ann. Rept. Ani. Ind. 15:397) writes: "In Europe the acorns of various species of oak cause sickness and death in hogs and cattle. This effect may possibly be due to bloating, but may also be due in some way to the tannin or bitter principle which they contain."

Pammel (Man. Poisonous Plants, p. 403) among other statements, makes the following: "In some parts of the South it is believed that the mast of oaks makes excellent feed for hogs, but is poisonous to cows, a small amount merely decreasing the flow of milk, while a greater quantity causes death. It is claimed that 'sweet mast,' that of the white and bur oaks, is less poisonous than the 'bitter mast' of black, pin, red and cow oaks. \* \* \* Some say that the coarse hulls or cups clog the digestive tracts, and cause unthriftiness, others that there is actual poison in the mast. \* \* \* That other plants of the order are injurious has been indicated by Freidberger and Fröhner, who state that the European beech produces violent colic, tetanus, mania, and fits of madness resembling those produced by strychnine."

Under the title of "Is There a Toxemia Referable to the Eating of Chestnuts?", Dr. Merrill, in the article previously referred to, says: "Search in the literature has thus far been barren of reference, yet it may be that such reference has been overlooked, or that some physicians have knowledge of conditions occurring as in the present accounts. \* \* \* The fruit (so-called) of the healthy tree is not supposed to be toxic. Germination, however, is remarkable for chemical (enzymic) activity, and it should not be forgotten that at this period liberation of toxic substances may not be impossible. Analogy is seen in the instance of growing sorghum, hydrocyanic acid compounds appearing in the immature plant. Hydrocyanic acid compounds, nitro-benzine, or toxalbumins may not [un-?]reasonably be imagined as being possibly present in germinating chestnuts; whether they are in fact present or absent has not been determined. A period of unusually warm, dry weather in the fall, followed at the time of chestnut maturity

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by copious rains, tends to induce germination in the nuts while still on the trees, and after they fall to the ground. [These conditions prevailed in Connecticut last fall.] Such germinating chestnuts, though healthy, cannot be considered as decisively free from substances toxic, as above indicated." He also refers to the blight as indirectly concerned by producing "nuts immature, undersized, or conceivably containing toxic substances absent in the healthy chestnut."

(3) Poisoning Due to Chestnut Blight. In the newspaper accounts the blight fungus was held directly or indirectly responsible as the source of poison. In the former case, it is supposed that more or less of the blight fungus is eaten with the chestnuts. This supposition, however, is excluded by the fact that the fungus is confined almost exclusively to the bark. The writer has never found the blight fungus on the nuts, and it evidently rarely occurs there. The only reference to its occurrence on the nuts which we find is that given recently by Collins (Science 38:857. 1913.), who found the fungus on old nuts that had been lying on the ground for several months. There seems to be no case in which the blight has been found on nuts in edible condition.

The only chance of the blight playing a part, therefore, would be either indirectly, by poisonous matter developed by it and carried in the sap to the nuts, which is highly improbable, or in a still more indirect manner, as suggested by Dr. Merrill, by its injurious action on the tree, causing imperfect ripening of the nuts. As to the assumption that the blight develops a poison, our experiments in feeding white rats with pure cultures of the fungus, details of which are given later on, show plainly that this is not true. This conclusion has been confirmed by our own experience in eating pure cultures of the blight fungus. While this test was not extensive, we certainly ate more of the fungus at one time than one would by eating chestnuts for years.

As regards the indirect effect of the blight on the maturing of the chestnuts, and their possible development of a toxic property of their own, we can at least say that the blight would be no more responsible in this case than any other injury to the tree that interfered with the natural development of the nuts. Since the blight has been present on many of the trees in great abundance during the past four or five years, and no previous complaint

has been made of poisoning, it does not seem very probable that it is responsible even in this indirect way.

(4) Other Possible Causes. As mentioned in the letter received from the father of the two young boys who died, they may have had some dysentery trouble induced by bacteria on chestnuts taken from a polluted stream, or contracted in some other way. In the cases of poisoning attributed to eating squirrels, these may have been caused, as already stated, by ptomaine poisoning due to the slightly spoiled condition of the meat, or possibly the squirrels may have eaten some poisonous plant like mountain laurel, which affected their flesh.

As the season when the chestnuts ripened was unusually warm and moist, quite a number of the fallen nuts, as well as the burs. became covered with common blue mold, Penicillium species. While the meats of the nuts were not usually injured by this or other molds, it was thought by the writer that if such nuts were cracked in the mouth the spores might gain access to the digestive tract, and if poisonous, as sometimes supposed, might cause trouble. Hence in our experiments in feeding white rats we used pure cultures of this mold mixed with the food, but without harmful results. We also fed a rat with a mixture of rotten, wormy, moldy nuts, without injurious effects, so that it is not likely that any wormy or moldy nuts that may have been eaten accidentally had anything to do with the trouble.

#### FEEDING EXPERIMENTS WITH RATS.

Conditions of Experiments. These experiments were conducted during October and November with white rats, which, with cages and food for the same, were furnished by Dr. Osborne of the proteid research chemical department. The care given these rats was about the same ordinarily given in his feeding experiments. The general character of the cages is shown in Plate VIII, which shows a rat (No. 1) fed with food containing pure cultures of chestnut blight for 57 days, and other smaller rats (Nos. 9-12) fed 34 days with food containing partially decayed ground chestnuts.

The check rats were fed entirely with milk food, on which they thrived. This milk food consists of sixty per cent. milk powder, twelve per cent. starch, and with these is mixed 28 per cent. lard to form a thick paste. In this milk food, as prepared

for the rats used in the experiments, there was mixed at each feeding the top cut from a single agar tube containing a pure culture of the blight fungus, Endothia gyrosa var. parasitica, the blue mold, Penicillium sp., or the other substances mentioned later. The top was cut off from the cultures of fungi so as to include all the fungus and any toxic substance which it might form in the medium. This food was fed to the rats in small cups, and was renewed as needed, usually about every other day. Some rats ate more than others, however, so that each morning the cages were examined, and those cups that were empty or nearly empty were filled. The rats were given fresh water once a day, and their cages were changed and sterilized twice a week. There were thirteen rats included in the eight feeding experiments, the data for which are as follows:

Rat No. 1. Fed pure cultures of the blight, grown on oat agar. This was an old female that weighed at the beginning of the experiment 173½ grams, and at the end, 166 grams. The experiment was begun October 20th, and the rat was chloroformed on December 19th. During that period the food was renewed twenty-four times, the rat thus eating the equivalent of chestnut blight from twenty-four test tube cultures during the sixty days. The autopsy made by Miss Ferry, Dr. Osborne's assistant, showed the rat in good health, and at no time during the experiment did it reveal any signs of illness. The only difference observed between this and the other rats was that it seemed as a rule a little more thirsty, and usually took a drink when its water was renewed. Its loss in weight, according to Miss Ferry, was not unusual in a female rat of its age.

Rat No. 2. Fed blue mold. This was an old male. At the beginning of the experiment, October 23d, it weighed 181 grams, and at the end, December 16th, 264 grams. Up to November 6th the blue mold fed was obtained by scraping it from the nuts and burs of old chestnuts kept in a moist chamber, and therefore contained other molds and bacteria. From November 8th to the end of the experiment only pure cultures of blue mold grown on oat agar were used. During the 56 days the rat was fed 27 times, receiving about the equivalent of this number of test tube cultures of the Penicillium. The autopsy showed the rat in good condition (except one bad lung, which had no relation to the feeding), and at no time during the experiment did it show any signs of illness. It was always ready for its food when renewed, and ate more than the others, which accounts for its gain in weight, which was the largest made by any.

Rat No. 3. Fed pure cultures of blight grown on oat agar containing ground chestnuts. The ground chestnuts were added to the food to determine whether the blight produced any toxic substance by its action on them which might not be present in ordinary cultures. The rat used was a fairly young female. The experiment was begun November 4th and concluded December 9th, and during these thirty-five days the food was

renewed twelve times, containing the equivalent of twelve test tube cultures of the blight, etc. The rat weighted 62 grams at the beginning of the experiment, and 116 grams at the end. No autopsy was made, but the rat showed no sign of sickness during the experiment, and the gain in weight was normal. After the experiment was concluded, one-quarter teaspoonful of lead arsenate was mixed with the food, and this was left in the cage three days, but the rat ate only a little of this, and though sick, was apparently not seriously so, but refused to eat any more of the poisoned food.

Rat No. 4. Fed pure cultures of blight grown on tannic acid oat agar. The medium contained 3.2 per cent. tannic acid. This experiment was to determine whether the action of the fungus on tannic acid, which is a common constituent of chestnut bark and wood, produced any unusual toxin. The rat used was a fairly young female. Its weight at beginning of the experiment, November 7th, was 58 grams, and at the end, December oth. of grams. During these thirty-two days the rat was fed ten times, the food containing this number of cultures (old) of blight in tannic acid medjum. No autopsy was made, as we attempted to kill the rat with lead arsenate at the end of the experiment, in the same way as Rat No. 3, with similar results. The gain in weight was perhaps a little less than was to be expected in comparison with Rat. No. 3. This was due, no doubt, to the fact that it ate less than the others, as apparently the tannic acid in the food did not add to its attractiveness. The dung of this rat was blacker as a rule, than that of the others, no doubt also due to the tannic acid, and the rat seemed more easily frightened. While the rat was not made noticeably sick, it looked as if the food did not agree well with it, and possibly a long continued diet of this kind would prove fatal. A similar result could probably have been obtained by the use of tannic acid alone. In any case, there was no especially noticeable poisonous property developed by the blight through its action on the tannic acid.

Rat No. 5. Check. Fed milk food only. This was a fairly young female, somewhat older than Nos. 3 and 4. The rat was fed with milk food seven times during the thirty-four days from November 12th to December 16th, when it was killed. Its appetite was less than that of the other rats, except possibly No. 4, and its gain in weight was less even than that of No. 4, as it weighed 91 grams at the beginning, and 124 grams at the end of the experiment. This rat was evidently sick from some lung trouble, though no autopsy was made to confirm this, as it coughed considerably, was more sluggish than the others, and did not gain in weight as much as it should have done.

Rats Nos. 6, 7, 8. Fed good ground chestnuts (including shells). A teaspoonful of ground chestnuts was mixed with the milk food at each feeding. This experiment was a check on the next one, where spoiled chestnuts were fed. The rats were quite young. The experiment was started November 12th, and ended December 13th and during the thirty-one days the rats were fed twenty-five times, but they lost considerable of their food by pawing it out of the cup. No weights were taken or autopsies made of these rats, but they evidently thrived, as shown by their appetite and lively actions.

Rats Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12. Fed rotten ground chestnuts (including shells). In this experiment the chestnuts, including wormy and moldy ones, were left in a moist chamber until somewhat decayed by Penicillium, Mucor and bacteria. They were then ground, and stored in a stoppered bottle, where some alcoholic fermentation took place. They were finally dried, and fed as in the preceding experiment, a teaspoonful mixed in the milk food at each feeding. The rats were the same age as those in the last experiment. The feeding was started November 12th, and ended December 19th. During these thirty-seven days they were fed twenty-two times. These rats were not weighed, but they showed the same external signs of good health all along as did those last mentioned, and an autopsy on one of them showed no signs of disease.

Rat No. 13. Check. Fed on milk food. This was an old male rat, perhaps a little older than Nos. 1 and 2. It was under observation for thirty-six days, from November 13th to December 19th, during which period it was fed twelve times. It showed no sign of sickness at any time, and a post mortem examination disclosed no diseased organs. It made a fairly good growth, from 216 grams at the beginning to 252 grams at the end of the experiment.

#### SUMMARY.

During the fall of 1913 there were reported by the newspapers of this state a number of cases of illness and a few of death, said to be due to eating chestnuts from blighted trees, these accounts usually implying that the blight fungus itself was poisonous, and thus responsible for the trouble.

Investigation shows that there may have been some relation between the sickness of at least some of these persons and the eating of chestnuts. This possibly might have been due to overeating or to the eating of immature or partially germinated chestnuts, or to the age and physical condition of the persons who were made sick, or to a combination of these factors.

On the other hand, there was no evidence discovered that the blight fungus or other fungi were directly connected with the sickness, since experimental feeding of white rats with these fungi failed to produce any injurious effects. Small amounts of pure cultures of the blight were also eaten by the writer without ill effect.

The only connection the blight could have with such sickness would be indirect, the trees being so injured thereby as to produce a greater proportion than usual of nuts not perfectly matured which possibly contained some self-produced poisonous principle; but even this supposition does not seem very probable.



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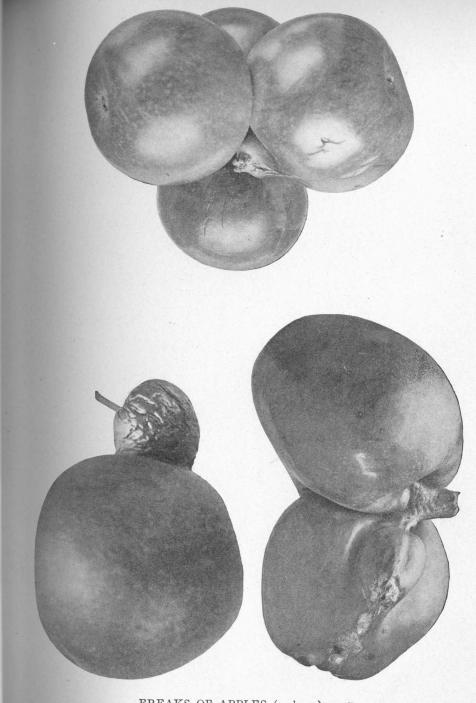


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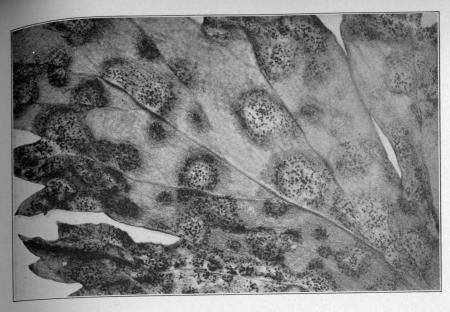


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INJURIES OF AMPELOPSIS AND APPLE.



FREAKS OF APPLES (a, b, c,), p. 7.

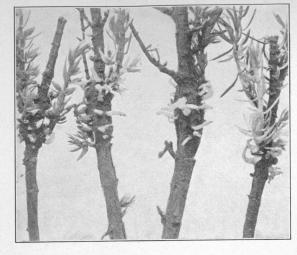


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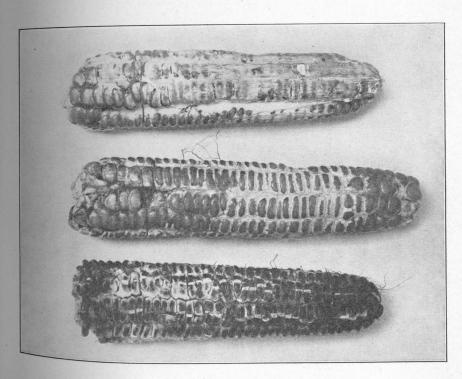
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DISEASES OF CELERY.





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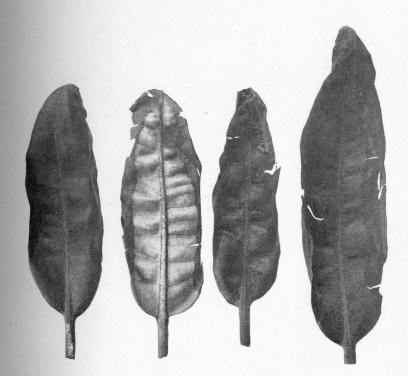


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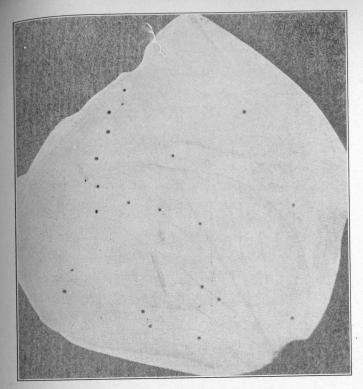


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b. Leaf Scorch of Rhododendron, p. 23.

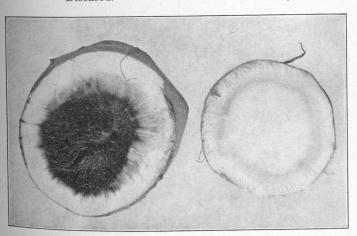
DISEASES OF PEACH AND RHODODENDRON.



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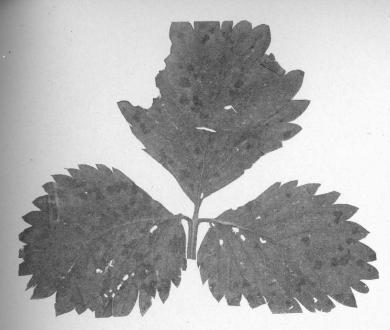
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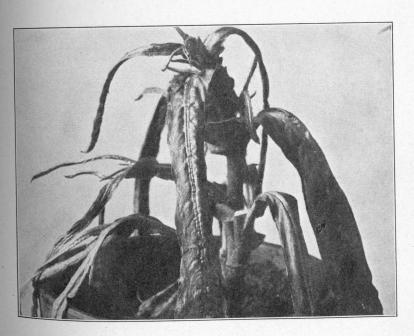


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INJURIES OF ROSE AND SALSIFY.

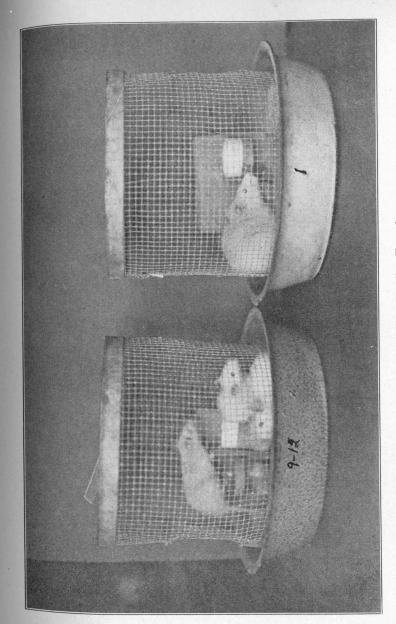


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DISEASES OF STRAWBERRY AND TOBACCO.



White Rats used in Chestnut Blight Feeding Experiment, p. 39.

## PART II.

## REPORT ON COMMERCIAL FERTILIZERS, 1914

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The object of the analysis of a fertilizer is to find whether it contains as much plant food of the several kinds as the seller says it contains and as is stated on the guaranty, which should be attached to every package. With the help of the analysis it is possible to compare the price charged for this plant food with the ruling market prices of similar material. This is calculated by a "valuation" as will be explained later.

To make the examination of fertilizers of any value it is absolutely necessary that the methods of analysis and of sampling shall be accurate and uniform, and the process of analysis shall be free from error. To secure accuracy and uniformity of methods of analysis the American Association of Official Agricultural Chemists, in whose work this station has always taken part, is actively engaged and the methods endorsed by it are used by this Station.

To avoid, as far as is humanly possible, errors in the process of analysis, each determination reported is the average of two closely agreeing determinations made independently by two expert analysts. In case the determinations do not agree within narrow limits the work is repeated.

It is self-evident that the correct sampling of fertilizers is just as important as correct analysis.

Unless the sample which the chemist tests fairly represents the average quality of the lot of fertilizer sampled, the analysis, if accurately made, will of necessity inaccurately set forth the quality of the goods and work injustice to either the buyer or the seller. It will work harm and not good.

Accurate sampling is in many cases more difficult than accurate analysis. Sometimes goods are unevenly mixed, one package

differing from another; dry raw materials are apt to separate in handling though well mixed at first, so that the bottom of a package will not be like the top of it but will contain more of the heavier material; the outside of a package may be wetter or drier than the inside, due to conditions of storage, etc.

The Station employs a skilled sampling agent and approved forms of sampling tools and endeavors to draw a sample in every case from five packages, taking a core from the top to the bottom, and in case of large lots from a larger number of packages. It does not sample goods which are improperly stored, or in broken packages or which are not fresh stock.

Samples taken by our agent are the official samples and in following pages are tabulated by themselves.

The Station also analyzes yearly a large number of samples for individuals who draw and send them.

The Station can take no responsibility for the accuracy of this sampling. It does, however, furnish directions for sampling and requires, before making an analysis, that the sample shall be fully described on a blank furnished for the purpose and filed at the Station, together with a certificate that the sample has been drawn fairly and substantially according to directions.

The reason for this does not seem to be every where understood and in a few instances has caused resentment. The reason is this:

The Station has no right to use State funds in making analyses for the private use and interest of one particular person. Every analysis made must be of some general interest and use and the Station must decide whether the analysis will have such interest.

To do this it must have some assurance that the sample represents the goods, i. e., that the sampling has been properly done and also that an analysis of the sample will or may be of general interest and value.

Frequently we receive samples with no marks to identify them, broken packages from which a part or all the sample has run out over other mail matter, samples quite too small to be representative, and samples not of stock delivered in the state but of what some shipper *proposes* to supply. These, of course, are worthless, but they are not positively harmful; whereas the analysis of a sample of fertilizer on sale in the state, which is apparently all right,

but has not been carefully drawn, may do great injustice either to buyer or seller.

## EXPLANATIONS CONCERNING ANALYSIS.

In the following pages are given, first, the analyses of the chemicals and raw materials which are used singly or in combination by farmers, next of the "complete" factory-mixed or homemixed fertilizers and lastly of certain miscellaneous waste and by-products which have some value either as fertilizers or amendments.

#### PRICES.

The prices given are those quoted by the sellers of the goods to our sampling agent as their cash ton prices.

In some cases, but particularly in case of the nitrogenous superphosphates, widely different prices are charged by different dealers for the same brand, the manufacturers having no control over the retail price asked by the dealer. These quotations, therefore, are only a very general guide or suggestion as to price.

When materials contain either nitrogen, phosphoric acid, or potash, as their single valuable fertilizer ingredient, the cost per pound of that ingredient is easily calculated from the ton price and the analysis. Thus if a sample of muriate of potash contains 50.2 per cent. of potash, which is 50.2 × 20 or 1004 pounds per ton, and costs \$40.75 per ton, actual potash costs 4075 ÷ 1004 or 4.06 cents per pound.

Fertilizers which are mixtures of various raw materials and contain two or more fertilizer ingredients are reported with a "valuation."

## "VALUATION" OF FERTILIZERS.

There is so much misunderstanding as to the meaning of the term valuation as it is used in our fertilizer reports that particular attention is called to the following explanations:

The valuation of a fertilizer is the result of calculating the retail cash cost at freight centers of an amount of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash in high grade materials equal to the amount contained in one ton of the fertilizer. It is a valuation of only one factor which makes up the cost of a fertilizer,

namely, the market cost of the three kinds of plant food in it. Valuation no more shows the fair retail price of a fertilizer than quotations of steel billets can show the fair price for small amounts of structural steel of a specified shape. If, however, the prices of steel remain fairly uniform, a comparison of these quotations with the rates charged by different companies in open competition for the finished product is a help, though not a perfect guide, to the buyer in studying the bids of different manufacturers.

Beside the cost of the plant food contained in a mixed fertilizer many other smaller items go to make up its fair market price; such as grinding, mixing, bagging, freight, agent's commissions, etc.

It cannot be stated too emphatically that valuation is not intended to show the fair retail price of mixed fertilizers but only of one item—the largest item to be sure—of the cost. In fact, one should add ten dollars or more to the "valuation" of such a fertilizer to approximate what would be in most cases a fair selling price.

Readers of this Report should bear in mind that:

- 1. Valuation represents one item, and the largest item, in the cost of mixed commercial fertilizers. It is a valuation of only one factor, which makes up the market price, namely, the average market cost of the untreated raw materials of high quality which enter into its composition.
- 2. It affords a basis for estimating, approximately, the fair selling price.
- 3. It affords a basis of comparing fertilizers which differ considerably in composition and price.
  - 4. It does not represent the fair selling price.
  - 5. It does not show the agricultural value of the ingredients in it.

The "valuations" are made by the use of the following table of Trade-Values. These trade-values are only approximately correct, for market prices constantly fluctuate, but they serve the purpose of satisfactorily comparing different fertilizers which are on sale at the same time.

## TRADE-VALUES OF FERTILIZERS ELEMENT FOR 1914.

The average trade-values or retail costs in market, per pound, of the ordinarily occurring forms of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash in raw materials and chemicals, as found in New

England, New York and New Jersey markets during 1913, and adopted at a conference of representatives of the New England, New York and New Jersey Stations in March 1914, are as follows:

	per pound.
Nitrogen in nitrates and ammonia salts	161/2
Nitrogen, organic, in fine dry fish, blood and meat	22 1/2
in cotton seed meal and castor pomace	22 1/2
in fine* bone and tankage	211/2
in mixed fertilizers	191/2
in coarse* bone and tankage	171/2
Phosphoric acid, water-solublecitrate-soluble† and in fine bone and tankage, cotton	4½
seed meal and castor pomace	4
in coarse bone and tankage and ashes	31/2
fertilizers	2
Potash in high grade sulphate and mixtures free from muriates	5
cotton seed meal and castor pomace	5
muriate	4

The foregoing are, as nearly as can be estimated, the average prices, at which, during the six months preceding March last, the respective ingredients were retailed for cash in our large markets, in those raw materials which are the regular source of supply. The valuations obtained by use of the above figures will be found to correspond fairly with the average retail prices, at the large markets, of standard raw materials.

## METHOD OF VALUATION OF BONE AND TANKAGE.

To obtain the valuation of ground bone or tankage the sample is sifted into two grades, that finer than  $\frac{1}{50}$  inch, "fine," and that coarser than  $\frac{1}{50}$  inch, "coarse."

The nitrogen value of each grade is separately computed by multiplying the pounds of nitrogen per ton by the per cent. of each grade, multiplying the product by the trade-value per pound of nitrogen in that grade, and taking this final product as the result in cents. The sum of the separate values of each grade

<sup>\*</sup> In this report, "fine," as applied to bone and tankage, signifies smaller than  $\frac{1}{50}$  inch; "coarse," larger than  $\frac{1}{50}$  inch.

<sup>†</sup> Dissolved from 2 grams of the fertilizer, previously extracted with pure water, by 100 cc. neutral solution of ammonium citrate, sp. gr. 1.09, in thirty minutes at 65° C., with agitation once in five minutes. Commonly called "reverted" or "backgone" phosphoric acid.

of nitrogen and phosphoric acid, thus computed, is the valuation of the sample.

## METHOD OF VALUATION OF MIXED FERTILIZERS.

The organic nitrogen in mixed fertilizers is reckoned at 19½ cents per pound, nitrogen of nitrates and ammonia salts and phosphoric acid in its three forms of solubility, at the prices given above. Potash is rated at 4 cents, if sufficient chlorine is present in the fertilizer to combine with it to make muriate. If there is more potash present than will combine with the chlorine, then this excess of potash is reckoned at 5 cents per pound, except in certain special cases, to be noted later, where carbonate of potash has been used in the mixture.

To obtain the Valuation of a Fertilizer, multiply the pounds per ton of nitrogen, etc., by the trade-value per pound. The several products give the values per ton of the several ingredients and their sum is the total valuation per ton.

This information helps the purchaser to determine whether it is better economy to buy the commercial mixed fertilizers, of which so many are now offered for sale, or to purchase and mix for himself the raw materials.

## ANALYSES OF FERTILIZERS, 1914.

During 1914 forty-four individuals and firms have entered for sale in this State four hundred and fifteen brands of fertilizers, classified as follows:

Nitrogenous superphosphates	311
Bone manures and "bone and potash."	29
Fish, tankage, castor pomace and chemicals	75
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Total	415

During the spring months Mr. V. L. Churchill, the sampling agent, visited one hundred and six towns and villages of Connecticut for the purpose and gathered six hundred and eight samples of commercial fertilizers.

These represented all the brands registered with exception of the following: American Agricultural Chemical Co.'s\* Ground untreated Phosphate Rock; East India Co.'s Vegt. Vine and Potato; Williams & Clark's Seed Leaf Tobacco Manure (Carb.); Armour Fertilizer Works' Star Phosphate†; Coe-Mortimer Co.'s Tobacco and Onion Fertilizer; German Kali Works' Sulphate Potash; Ernest L. James' Ground Bone†; Lister Agl. Chem. Works' Special 10 per cent. Potato Fertilizer†, Special Grass Mixture†; Standard PureBone Superphosphate of Lime†; Lowell Fertilizer Co's. Nitrate Soda; Mapes F. & P. G. Co's. Cereal Brand; Munroe & Son's Wood Ashes; Olds & Whipple's Grass Fertilizer for Seeding Down; Parmenter and Polsey's Special Tobacco Grower; Rogers & Hubbard Co's. Fine Ground Bone; Wilcox Fertilizer Co.'s H. G. Tankage; Worcester Rendering Co's Corn and Grain†, Potato Fertilizer†.

# CLASSIFICATION AND NUMBERS OF ANALYSES OF FERTILIZERS.

1. Containing nitrogen as the chief active ingredient:	
Nitrate of soda	12
Dried blood	I
Cotton seed meal	24
Castor pomace	4
2. Containing phosphoric acid as the chief active ingredient:	
Ground phosphate rock	3
Basic phosphate	8
Precipitated bone meal	6
	22
3. Containing potash as the chief active ingredient:	
Carbonate of potash	4
Vegetable potash	I
Cotton hull ashes	2
High grade sulphate of potash	6
Double manure salt	3
Muriate of potash	14
Kainit	5
4. Raw materials chiefly valuable for nitrogen and phosphoric acid:	
Fish manures	II
Tankage	17
Bone manures	35
5. Mixed fertilizers:	
	35
Home-mixed fertilizers	10
6. Miscellaneous fertilizers and waste products	53
Total 7	776

<sup>\*</sup> Sample sent by purchaser was analyzed. † A sample sent by manufacturer was analyzed.

# I. RAW MATERIALS CHIEFLY VALUABLE FOR NITROGEN.

## NITRATE OF SODA OR SODIUM NITRATE.

As offered in the Connecticut market this year, nitrate of soda has contained an average of 15.33 per cent. of nitrogen, equivalent to 93.1 per cent. of pure sodium nitrate.

The following twelve samples have been analyzed:

**4019**. Sold by Bowker Fertilizer Co., New York. Stock of Goodsell Bros., Bristol.

**4175.** Sold by Coe-Mortimer Co., New York. Stock of L. A. Gowdy, Somerville.

4485. Sold by Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Mystic. Stock of T. H. Eldredge, Norwich.

**4363.** Sold by Armour Fertilizer Works, Chrome, N. J. Stock of Farmers Supply and Roof Co., Bridgeport.

**3331.** Sold by Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury. Sampled at the factory.

4026. Sold by Nitrate Agencies Co., New York. Stock of F.

S. Platt Co., New Haven, and A. D. Clark, Orange.

**4008.** Sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York. Stock of G. S. Phelps, Thompsonville.

3804. Stock of Connecticut School for Boys, Meriden.

4029. Stock of M. E. Cooke, Wallingford.

 $\textbf{3726.} \quad \textbf{Stock} of \textbf{Highwood Vegetable \& Fruit Growers Association}.$ 

4022. Stock of H. P. Smith, North Haven.

4569. Stock of R. S. Chisholm, Litchfield.

### ANALYSES OF NITRATE OF SODA

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Station No	4019	4175	4485	4363	3331	4026	4008	3804	4029	3726	4022	456
Percentage amount of Nitrogen guaranteed	15.0	15.0	15.0	14.8	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.4
		15.86	15.46	15.04	15.20	15.60	15.44	14.42	15.12	15.36	15.50	1000
Cost per ton Nitrogen Costs Cents		55.00	55.00	55.00	56.00	60.00		1				
per pound		17.3	17.8	18.3	18.4	19.2	19.4					100

The cost of nitrogen in form of nitrate in small lots at retail has ranged from 17.2 to 19.4 cents per pound, on the average 18.2 cents. In mixed car lots, for cash, it has been bought for 15.3 cents per pound. Its cost is subject to sudden changes.

#### DRIED BLOOD.

A single sample from stock bought by the Highwood Vegetable and Fruit Growers Association contained 11.54 per cent. of nitrogen. The guaranty called for 12.4 per cent.

## COTTON SEED MEAL.

The Station has examined 224 samples of cotton seed meal this year. Most, if not all, of these samples represented car lots bought for use as a fertilizer. They also represented a cash outlay of at least \$180,000. The Station has reported each analysis to the dealer and also to the buyers so far as their names were known to us. Every buyer of fertilizer meal should know the number of the car in which it is delivered, and if the analysis of that car lot is below in which it is delivered, and if the analysis of that car lot is below the guaranty should claim and receive a rebate. Of the 224 analyses 167 are not here reported because they fully met the guaranty and the space which they would require is needed for more important matter.

In the following table are given the analyses of samples which did not meet the guaranty of the seller together with a few others of which we have no statement of guaranty.

The cost per pound of nitrogen has been calculated by allowing \$4.42 in each case for the phosphoric acid and potash contained in the meal, as determined by numerous analyses.

In the samples which met the guaranty, the average cost of nitrogen was 21.2 cents per pound; in the samples which contained less nitrogen than was guaranteed the cost was considerably higher, 22.6 cents.

The average percentage of nitrogen in the lots which met their guaranty was 6.95; in those which did not meet their guaranty, the average percentage of nitrogen was 6.58 per cent.

Of the samples analyzed 29 were from the Bartlett Co., of which 13, or 45 per cent., were below guaranty. Forty-six were from F. W. Brode & Co. with 6 samples or 13 per cent. below and 114 were from the Humphreys Godwin Co. with 22 per cent. of their number below guaranty.

GUARANTY OR BELOW THEIR GUARANTY.

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SEED MEALS WITHOUT

ANALYSES OF COTTON

Nitrogen costs cents per pound. 20.7 20.9 21.2 21.7 21.7 22.1 22.6 22.6 22.6 ton. 31.00 34.50 34.00 34.00 34.00 34.00 34.00 34.00 34.00 per Guaranteed. 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 66.39 Nitrogen. 7.62 7.61 7.13 6.50 50 58 62 01 50 . 9 9 9. 0110 Per cent. Found. 7.20 7.45 6.96 6.23 6.34 6.15 6.15 5.95 6.00 George T. Soule.
W. H. Griswold.
George Watson.
A. D. Bridges Sons. by Sent or George S. Phelps & Co. Berkshire Fertilizer Co. Olds & Whipple.... Whipple... Sampled Olds & Whipple Geo. M. Grant... Spencer Bros.... T. F. Young... Sikes. Purchased, or Marks. W 40390 40390 Buckeye Cotton Oil Co. Humphreys, Godwin Co. Car No. ço. S. P. Davis. 23774 39738 17465 19459 77122 51524 17220 31660 31660 13845 17885 The Bartlett Manufacturer or Jobber, 88973..... 8026.... 92278... 27070... 88335... 74875... 86689... 11391... Station No. 3642 3643 3755 4244 4239 3989 4047 4241 4242 4242 4243 4243 4243 4243 3815 3795 3614 3617 3793 3863 3647 3666 3915

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37376       Olds & Whipple       7:33       7.60       38.00         41099       George S. Phelps & Co.       6.42       34.00       34.00         81263       W. W. Thompson       7.46       7.63       33.05         133460       Olds & Whipple       7.34       7.51       38.50         52391       George S. Phelps & Co.       7.28       7.51       38.50         72983       George S. Phelps & Co.       6.15       6.50       34.00         72983       Spencer Bros.       6.16       6.50       34.00         75134       Rogers Mfg. Co.       6.39       34.00         37941       6.20       6.50       34.00         26455       M. Ranlet Go.       Spencer Bros.       5.91       6.50       34.50         11043       Onknown.       Conn. Tobacco Corp.       6.62       7.00       7.05       7.14         1895       """"""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	3960	81263	Lor	6.18	6.50	32.75	22.9
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131982   1	3627	133460	Olds & Whipple	7.46	7.63	39.00	23.2
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#### CASTOR POMACE.

This is a residue from the manufacture of castor oil and is used chiefly as a tobacco fertilizer.

Experience indicates that it is a little slower in its action than cotton seed meal and gives a little heavier quality to the tobacco leaf. Stock will eat it greedily if they have the chance, but it is extremely poisonous.

**4017.** Made by the Baker Castor Oil Co., New York. Sampled from Spencer Bros., Suffield.

4479. Sold by Olds & Whipple and sampled at their warehouse.

**3370.** Bought of Luther Pomeroy, Suffield. Sampled and sent by G. A. Cleaveland, Windsor Locks.

**4007.** Sold by the American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York. Sampled from Stock of G. S. Phelps, Thompsonville.

#### ANALYSES.

Station No  Percentage amounts of	4017	4479	3370	4007
Nitrogen guaranteed		5.0	4.43	4·53 4·56
Cost per ton	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$27.00 26.7

In calculating the cost of nitrogen an allowance of \$2.63 has been made, being the valuation of the average amount of phosphoric acid and potash found in castor pomace.

Castor Pomace containing five per cent. of nitrogen and selling for \$25 per ton has furnished nitrogen at about the same cost as in average cotton seed meal.

# II. RAW MATERIALS CHIEFLY VALUABLE FOR PHOSPHORIC ACID.

#### GROUND PHOSPHATE ROCK.

3748. "Floats," bought by Barnes & Hall, East Wallingford, through the Nitrates Agencies Co., New York City, contained 30.22 per cent. of phosphoric acid.

**4554.** Bought by F. C. Jennings, Bridgeport, from the American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York, contained 30.19 per cent. of phosphoric acid.

3330. Sampled by Station Agent from stock of Apothecaries

Hall Co., Waterbury, contained 29.44 per cent. of phosphoric acid.

These were all bought in car lots at prices which ranged from 1.28 cents to 2.11 cents per pound for phosphoric acid.

What observations we have made on Connecticut soils lead us to believe that on land deficient in available phosphates equal money values of acid phosphate and basic phosphate may be expected to yield much larger returns in the first two or three years after application than ground phosphate rock and that the latter may pay to use as a long time investment;—a somewhat more "permanent improvement."

# BASIC SLAG, BASIC PHOSPHATE OR THOMAS PHOSPHATE POWDER.

The material is a finely ground slag produced by a special process of removing phosphorus from iron.

It should contain from 17 to 19 per cent. of phosphoric acid and may also carry 35 to 50 per cent. of lime and 13 per cent. of iron.

Very little of the phosphoric acid is soluble in water, but by a conventional method of extraction (Wagner's) the larger part of the phosphoric acid in slag of good quality is soluble in the citric acid used. Pot and field experiments and practical experience alike have shown that the phosphoric acid of basic slag is quite readily available to crops and it has come into rather extensive use, particularly by orchardists. Basic slag of good grade should contain 15 per cent. or more of "available" phosphoric acid.

4171. Sold by the Coe-Mortimer Co., New York. Stock of J. G. Schwink, Jr., Meriden.

4172. Sold by Nitrate Agencies Co., New York. Stock of Spencer Bros., Suffield, and of Pring Bros., Wallingford.

4170. Stock of Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury, and R. H. Morgan, West Cheshire.

4169. Sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York. Stock of L. J. Grant, Wapping.

4173. Stock of Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Mystic.

**4567.** Sold by Nitrate Agencies Co., New York. Sent by R. S. Chisolm, Litchfield.

4566. Sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York. Sent by R. S. Chisolm.

3725. Stock of Highwood Vegetable & Fruit Growers' Association, Highwood.

# ANALYSES OF BASIC PHOSPHATE.

Station No.	Guaranteed	Total Found	Citrate-Soluble Found	Cost per Ton	Citrate-Soluble Phosphoric Acid Costs Cents per Pound
4171	17	17.53	15,22	\$14.20	4.6
4172	17	18.68	15.29	15.00	4.9
4170	17	17.78	13.75	16.00	5.8
4169	17	18.37	15.51	18.50	5.9
4173	16	17.88	14.65	18.00	6.0
4567	17	19.13	,		
4566	17	19.25			
3725	17	18.78			

The citric-soluble phosphoric acid in 4170 is quite below the average or desirable amount, which should be not far from 15 per cent.

The average cost of total phosphoric acid is 4.52 cents per pound; of "available," i.e., citric-soluble phosphoric acid, 5.44 cents. This takes no account of the lime present in the basic phosphate which no doubt adds something to the farm value of this material. Basic phosphate finds great favor especially for use in orchards and on grass land.

#### PRECIPITATED BONE MEAL.

This is a manufacturing by-product and consists of fine precipitated phosphate of lime, neutral in reaction, and containing no nitrogen.

It is very readily soluble in ammonium citrate and quickly available to crops. It is at present chiefly used as a tobacco fertilizer. We are advised that most of it is imported, sold on foreign analysis only, and "available" is determined by the Wagner method. In our opinion the use of this method for the analysis of such a material is not justified. The Wagner method or citric method can be reasonably used only with basic slag which contains large quantities of iron and some free lime which interfere with the use of the conventional ammonium citrate method. There is no reason for using the Wagner method with precipitated bone other than the desire to make it appear more "available" than it would appear if the method commonly applied to phosphatic material was employed.

The samples examined are as follows, all of them bought through Olds & Whipple, Hartford:

4076 and 4077, sampled and sent by the Connecticut Tobacco Corporation, Tariffville; marked Nos. 70115 and 82557 respectively.
4108 and 4109. Sampled and sent by the Silver Lane Plantation of the Conn. Tobacco Corporation.

4238. Sampled and sent by the Keiser & Boasberg Corporation, East Windsor Hill.

4481. Sampled from stock of Olds & Whipple by the Station Agent. The prices quoted below are retail ton prices and not those actually paid by purchasers of car lot quantities.

## ANALYSES OF PRECIPITATED BONE.

Station No  Percentage amounts of	4076	4077	4108	4109	4238	4481
Water-soluble phosphoric	1.38	1.29	1.45	1.47	2.06	1.01
Citrate-soluble phosphoric acid	36.28	36.58	36.08	36.64	32.45	37.36
Citrate-insoluble phos- phoric acid Total phosphoric acid	1.70 39.36	1.55 39.42	1.43 38.96	1.45 39.56	4.41 38.92	0.49 38.86
"Available" phosphoric acid	37.66 39.02	37.87 39.11	37·53 38.63	38.11 39.22	34.51	38.37
Guaranteed soluble by Wagner method Cost per ton	\$44.00	38.88 44.00	38.88 44.00	38.88 44.00		
"Available" phosphoric aci costs cents per pound	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8		5.8

## DISSOLVED ROCK PHOSPHATE OR ACID PHOSPHATE.

This material is made by treating mineral phosphates or "phosphate rock" with oil of vitriol which converts the larger part of the phosphoric acid into forms soluble in water and at the same time changes into sulphate a large part of the lime which was previously combined with phosphoric acid.

The guaranty usually gives the percentage of "available" phosphoric acid. This is only a trade name for the sum of the water-soluble and citrate-soluble\* phosphoric acid. It has no reference to the actual availability of this phosphoric acid to crops. In acid phosphates, however, well made from domestic rock it is fair to assume that the larger part of the "available" phosphoric acid is also agriculturally available.

<sup>\*</sup> See page 47.

4106, 4107, 4075, 4074 and 4105 were sold to the Connecticut Tobacco Corporation, Silver Lane, by Olds & Whipple, Hartford, and sampled by Tobacco Corporation. The prices quoted below for them are the regular retail prices of Olds & Whipple.

4476. Sold by E. Manchester & Sons, Winsted, sampled from

stock of H. McKnight, Ellington.

3781. Sold by Sanderson Fertilizer & Chemical Co., New Haven. Sampled from stock of A. D. Clark, Orange.

3801. Sold by Nitrate Agencies Co., New York City. Sampled

and sent by E. N. Austin, Suffield.

4486. Sold by Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Mystic. From stock of T. H. Eldredge, Norwich.

4368. Sold by L. T. Frisbie Co., New Haven. Sampled at warehouse.

4013. Sold by Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury. From stock of A. Grulich, Meriden.

4027. Sold by Nitrate Agencies Co., New York City. From stock of Spencer Bros., Suffield.

4018. Sold by Bowker Fertilizer Co., New York City. From stock of Goodsell Brothers, Bristol.

4358. Sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York City. From stock of E. E. Burwell, New Haven.

4166. Sold by Rogers Mfg. Co., Rockfall. Sampled at warehouse.

4167. Sold by Lowell Fertilizer Co., Boston. From stock of M. E. Cooke, Wallingford.

4366. Sold by Coe-Mortimer Co., New York City. From stock of L. A. Gowdy, Somerville.

4009. Sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York City. From stock of Gault Bros., Westport.

3489, 3808 and 3776 were sold by Sanderson Fertilizer & Chemical Co., New Haven.

3489. From stock of C. P. Treat, Orange. Sampled in 1913.

3808. From stock of Conn. School for Boys, Meriden.

3776. From stock of Highwood Vegetable and Fruit Growers' Association.

4364. Star Phosphate. Sampled and sent by the Armour Fertilizer Works, Baltimore, Md.

ANALYSES OF ACID PHOSPHATE.

Station No.	Water-soluble phosphoric acid.	Citrate-soluble phosphoric acid.	Citrate-insoluble phosphoric acid.	Total phosphoric acid.	"Available" phosphoric acid found,	"Available" phosphoric acid guaranteed.	Cost per ton.	"Available" phosphoric acid costs cents per pound.
4106	16.87	1.74	0.26	18.87	18.61	16.0	\$15.00*	4.03
4107	16.57	1.95	0.54	19.06	18.52	16.0	15.00*	4.05
4075	16.61	1.78	0.45	18.84	18.39	16.0	15.00*	4.08
4074	15.84	2.16	0.59	18.59	18.00	16.0	15.00*	4.17
4105	15.88	1.87	0.29	18.04	17.75	16.0	15.00*	4.23
4476	11.76	4.80	0.38	16.94	16.56	16.0	14.00	4.23
3781	13.39	1.61	1.54	16.54	15.00	16.0	13.00	4.33
3801	13.94	2.18	0.52	16.64	16.12	14.0	14.00	4.34
4486	13.47	3.15	0.65	17.27	16.62	15.5	15.00	4.51
4368	10.18	2.93	0.18	13.29	13.11	12.0	12.00	4.58
4013	10.94	3.24	1.36	15.54	14.18	14.0	13.00	4.58
4027	11.09	3.80	0.59	15.48	14.89	14.0	14.00	4.70
4018	9.46	4.25	0.50	14.21	13.71	14.0	13.00	4.74
4358	10.13	5.70	0.42	16.25	15.83	16.0	15.00	4.74
4166	9.84	5.47	1.77	17.08	15.31	16.0	15.00	4.90
4167	9.41	2.65	0.29	12.35	12.06	12.0	12.00	4.97
4366	11.66	3.49	0.79	15.94	15.15	14.0	16.00	5.28
4009	11.18	2.54	1.20	14.92	13.72	14.0	20.00	7.28
3489	12.48	3.72	0.56	16.76	16.20	16.0		
3808	12.61	3.29	0.36	16.26	15.90	16.0		
3776	11.81	3.25	0.42	15.48	15.06	14.0		
4364	10.29	2.84	1.84	14.97	13.13	14.0		

It will be noticed that there are two grades of acid phosphate, one guaranteed to contain fourteen, the other sixteen, per cent. of phosphoric acid.

The analyses show that the higher grade acid phosphate has furnished "available" phosphoric acid at lower cost than the fourteen per cent. grade.

The average retail price of acid phosphate has been \$14.50, and the average cost of available phosphoric acid in this form 4.65 cents per pound. Purchasers in car lots have bought it in some cases for  $3\frac{3}{4}$  cents. Cooperative buying for cash is nowhere more profitable to the farmer than in the matter of fertilizers.

Five of the eighteen samples did not contain the full amount of phosphoric acid which was guaranteed.

<sup>\*</sup> Regular retail price.

# III. RAW MATERIALS OF HIGH GRADE CONTAINING POTASH.

#### CARBONATE OF POTASH.

This is a nearly white crystalline material containing a larger percentage of potash than any other used as a fertilizer. It is strongly alkaline and absorbs water very rapidly on exposure to damp air. It can only be correctly sampled by taking a portion from the interior of a freshly opened cask. Failure to observe this precaution may account for the discrepancy between composition and guaranty in some of the following analyses. In case of chemicals like nitrate of soda and carbonate of potash—and the same applies also to any goods which may have absorbed water—a failure to meet the guaranty is not always proof that the guaranteed amount of plant food is not in the goods.

An example will make this plain. A cask of carbonate of potash is invoiced at 400 pounds net and guaranteed to contain 66.5 per cent. of potash. That means that the seller promises 266 pounds of potash. But the analysis of a sample taken from a cask which has been open for some time shows only 60.5 per cent. Assuming that the sample is a fair one and that the cask contained only 400 pounds of carbonate, the total potash in it is only 242 pounds, a shortage of 24 pounds. But if, as is quite likely, 25 pounds of water have been absorbed in transit, and especially since opening, so that the net weight of carbonate is 425 pounds, then the percentage of 60.5 potash which it contained equals 267 pounds of potash, which meets the seller's claims. The four analyses given below are from stock bought by the Connecticut Tobacco Corporation, Silver Lane, from Olds & Whipple, Hartford.

4225 is a sample drawn by our agent, with great care, from a cask opened in his presence, before the contents had been exposed for more than a few minutes. The other samples were taken by the purchaser, the method of sampling not being stated.

#### ANALYSES OF CARBONATE OF POTASH

		TILDII.		
Station No  Percentage amounts of	4225	4078	4079	4104
Potash.  Equivalent carbonate of potash found  Carbonate of potash guaranteed  Cost per ton*.  Potash costs cents per pound.	96.9 96.00 \$95.00	90.9 96.00	87.5 96.00	90. I 96.00

<sup>\*</sup> Regular ton price. Not the price for large purchases.

#### VEGETABLE POTASH.

This material is stated to be a residue from the beet sugar manufacture and is used in this state chiefly as a tobacco fertilizer, the potash being mostly in form of carbonate. A single sample 4482, has been analyzed, drawn from stock bought by Herman Ude, Suffield, from Olds & Whipple, Hartford. It contained 25.47 per cent. of water-soluble potash and cost \$45 per ton. The cost of actual potash was, therefore, 8.8 cents per pound.

#### COTTON HULL ASHES.

Only two samples of this material have been sent for analysis, both sold by Olds & Whipple.

**3514.** Sampled and sent by C. F. Segee, East Hartford. This contained 26.08 per cent. of water-soluble potash and cost \$46 per ton.

3785. Sampled and sent by L. B. Haas & Co., Hartford. Bought of Olds & Whipple, Hartford. This contained 24.32 per cent. of water-soluble potash and cost \$50 per ton.

The samples probably contain about 8 per cent. of "available" phosphoric acid. Allowing \$6.40 for this, the cost of actual potash in these two samples has been 7.6 cents and 9.0 cents per pound respectively.

#### HIGH GRADE SULPHATE OF POTASH.

#### (Analyses on page 63.)

This material should contain about 49 per cent. of potash, equivalent to about 90 per cent. of potassium sulphate, and should be nearly free from chlorides. All of the six samples tested were of good quality, actual potash costing from 4.8 to 5.5 cents per pound.

#### DOUBLE MANURE SALT.

This salt, besides 46 to 50 per cent. of potassium sulphate, contains over 30 per cent. of magnesium sulphate, chlorine equal to about 3 per cent. of common salt, with small amounts of other salts and varying amounts of moisture.

Sample **4474** was sold and sampled as high grade sulphate apparently through a mistake in shipping. The three samples tested were of standard quality.

#### MURIATE OF POTASH.

From 48 to 50 per cent. of potash is usually guaranteed in this salt, equivalent to 76 per cent. or more of muriate of potash. It also contains some 15 per cent. of salt and varying quantities of moisture.

Of the 14 samples examined only one, 4016, was of less than standard composition.

The cost of potash ranged from 4.0 to 4.7 cents per pound and averaged (12 analyses) 4.4 cents. Potash in this form has been bought in mixed car lots for 3.8 cents per pound.

#### KAINIT.

This is a crude salt containing from 12 to 15 per cent. of potash in form of sulphate and chloride, together with sulphates and chlorides of sodium and magnesium. The five samples tested were of average composition.

			Potash soluble in water.	e in water.	100	Dotosh cost
		Sampled and sent by	Guaranteed.	Found.		per pound
	High-Grade Sulphate of Potash.		%	%	69	cts.
4367	om Coe-Mortimer	Station Agent	48.0	49.60	48.00	4.8
4100	W. Woodward, Dillierd, Holli Wilcox Ferr.	Station Agent	48.0	49.44	49.00	2.0
4177	Pert. Works.	Station Agent	48.0	51.52 49.20	52.00 51.30	5.0
3510	H. A. Bugbee, Williamntic, Irom Amer. Ag. Chem. Co Station Agent Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury Station Agent	Station Agent	48.0	48.80 48.90	52.00	55.53
4359	Double Manure Salt. E. E. Burwell, New Haven, from Amer. Ag.					
4474	Chem. Co., H. H. McKnight Ellipoton from F. Man.	Station Agent	26.0	29.42	30.00	5.1
2000	Chester & Sons.	Station Agent	:	26.50	:	:
2005	son Fert, and Chem. Co	Station Agent	26.0	26.63	:	:
4178		Station Amont	C	17	41	4.0
4021	Co., New Haven, from L.	Station Agent	50.05	50.20	42.00	4.2
4023	a seed	Station Agent	48.0	48.48	41.00	4.2
4475	H. H. McKnight, Ellington, from E. Man-chester & Sons.	Man-Station Agent	49.0	50.66	43.00	4.2

PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION AND COST PER POUND OF POTASH—Continued.

Station		7	Potash soluble in water.	de in water.	Cost most	Dottorh greater
No.		Sampled and sent by	Guaranteed.	Found.	ton.	per pound.
	•		%	%	€	cts.
4179 3513 4174	T. H. Eldredge, Norwich, from Wilcox Fert. Co. Station Agent. Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury Station Agent. S. B. Wakeman, Sangatuck from Rowler	Station Agent	50.0	52.64 50.42	45.00	4.3
4176	Fert. Co. L. A. Gowdy. Somerville. from Cos-Mortimer	Station Agent	49.0	51.52	46.10	4.4
3512	Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury I. R. Reinhard & Son W. Cheshire from In-	Station Agent	49.0	50.64 49.45	45.00	4.4
4016	onville from Ar	Station Agent	48.0	49.92**	45.00	4.5
4006	& Kent Co. Norwalk from	Station Agent	48.0	46.68	42.50	4.6
3807		Station Agent	0.64	50.52	48.00	4.7
3723		Station Agent	49.0	50.52		
	Sanderson Fert, and Chem. Co	Station Agent	49.0	49.14	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	:
3509	Kainii. Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury.	Station Agent	12 0	21 11	1	- 6
3805	Sander-	Stotion A good to	0	77.17	13.00	1.0
4570	olm, Litchfield, from E. Manchester	Station Agent	12.0	13.47	:	
4369	& Sons	Purchaser	12.0	13.23		:
4010		Station Agent	12.0	13.63	*13.50	
	Chem. Co.	Station Agent	12.0	15.44	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	

f. o. b. New York.

## IV. RAW MATERIALS CHIEFLY VALUABLE FOR NITRO-GEN AND PHOSPHORIC ACID.

#### FISH MANURES.

Of this well-known and excellent fertilizer eleven samples have been examined. All the samples, with one exception, met their guaranties. The material contains, as an average of the eleven analyses, 7.72 per cent. of nitrogen and 7.36 per cent. of phosphoric acid. The cost has been high, ranging from \$45 to \$57 per ton.

If we allow the same value for phosphoric acid as in mixed fertilizers, the cost of nitrogen in the samples of fish whose prices are known ranges from 22.3 to 29.8 cents and averages 2.45 cents per pound. (Table of analyses on page 66.)

### SLAUGHTER HOUSE TANKAGE.

After boiling or steaming various slaughter house wastes, fat rises to the surface and is removed; the soup is run off and the settlings remaining in the tanks ("tankage") are dried, ground and sold as a fertilizer. It has a wide range of composition, depending largely on the relative amounts of bone and of meat scraps which are "rendered" as above, but in general, nitrogen gives more than half the value to the material. Like bone the immediate agricultural value of tankage depends not only on the chemical composition but also on the fineness.

Of the twelve samples drawn by the station, two do not meet their nitrogen guaranty. Both contain however, considerably more phosphoric acid than is guaranteed which nearly, if not quite, compensates in money values for the nitrogen deficiency.

4370, made by Lister's Agricultural Chem. Wks. is a mixture of animal and chemical wastes selling at the same price as tankage which contains twice as much nitrogen and considerably more phosphoric acid.

Of the brands sampled by the Station, the prices of which are known, the average cost is \$35.12 and average valuation \$33.65 per ton. With the usual valuation allowance given to phosphoric acid, the nitrogen in eight samples, excluding 4370, has ranged in cost from 22.4 to 16.8 cents per pound, averaging 19.8 cents. (Table of analyses, pages 68 and 69.)

#### GARBAGE TANKAGE.

A single sample marked "Tankage", stock of S. D. Woodruff & Sons, Orange, No. 3783 contained nitrogen 3.78 per cent. and

ANALYSES OF FISH MANURES.

.oN	Station	360 365 024 480 484 487 488	970 151 381 302
	Manufacturer.	Sampled by Station. 365 Bowker Fertilizer Co 624 International Agr. Corporation 480 Olds & Whipple	Sampled by Purchaser.  151 Berkshire Fertilizer Co  381 A. W. Higgins.  Nitrate Agencies Co
	Dealer or Purchaser.	Sampled by Station.  A. D. Bridges Sons, Hazardville. 0.30 8.34 8.64 8.23 0.68 5.55 1.13 7.36 6.  Bowker Fertilizer Co  M. McGrath, E. Windsor Hill. 0.10 7.85 7.95 8.23 0.93 5.68 0.41 7.02 6.  International Agr. Corporation F. S. Bidwell & Co., Windsor Locks 1.445.46 6.90 6.58 0.77 6.16 1.19 8.12 .  Sanderson Fert, and Chem. Co.A. A. & W. G. Forbes, Silver Lane 0.52 7.87 8.49 8.20 1.15 5.40 1.13 6.65 6.  Wilcox Fertilizer Co  Factory.  Wilcox Fertilizer Co  Factory.  O.20 8.96 9.16 8.24 0.68 4.84 1.13 6.65 6.	I. B. Barnard, Bloomfield J. Rostek, Melrose Spencer Bros., Suffield E. N. Austin, Suffield
	.sinommA sA	% 0.30 0.10 1.44 0.50 0.62 0.20	0.108.638.73 <b>8.23</b> 0.385.332.037.74 46.2544.58 0.108.698.79 <b>8.23</b> 0.495.561.697.74 <b>6.0</b> 45.0045.01 0.459.369.81 <b>9.05</b> 8.38 <b>7.6</b> 50.00 0.329.089.40 <b>8.84</b> 0.864.830.82 <b>6.516.4</b> 47.0046.88
Nitrogen.	As Organic.	8 . 2 . 3 . 3 . 4 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5 . 5	8.63
gen.	Total found.	8 8 . 64 6 . 65 8 8 . 65 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	8.73 8.79 9.81
	Total Guaranteed.	8.23 6.58 6.58 6.58 8.20 1.40 7.81	8.23 9.05 8.84 0.05
hosp	Water- soluble,	% 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6	38.5.49.5.
Phosphoric Acid. Phosphoric Acid.	Citrate- soluble.	%.55. .688. .727. .740. .840. .840. .840. .840.	.33 .56 1
.cid.	Citrate- insoluble.	113 113 113 113 113 113	8: 693
Total Phospho Acid.	Found.	% 77.36 88.122 55.68 7.688 7.55 7.55	47.74 47.75 88.38 13.38
tal horic id.	Guaranteed.	6.00	6.0 4.0 6.4 6.4 6.4
	Cost per ton.	6.057.0044.02 6.0057.0044.02 6.0055.0044.89 6.052.0043.91 6.050.0043.91 6.0050.0043.91	6.045.0045.01 7.6500.00

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\* Acidulated.

phosphoric acid 2.55. This has the composition of garbage tankage which is very inferior to slaughter house tankage in agricultural value.

BONE MANURES.

Of the twenty-five samples of bone drawn by the Station Agent six did not meet their guaranteed nitrogen, two were deficient in phosphoric acid and one, 4491, was deficient in both ingredients. In all but two cases, 4491 and 4498, a deficiency of one ingredient was fully made up in money value by an excess of the other.

Of the twenty-one samples, the prices of which are given, the average cost is \$33.67 and the average valuation \$29.55.

The cost of nitrogen in bone is somewhat higher than in tankage. Making the same money allowance in bone as in tankage for phosphoric acid, the average cost of nitrogen in bone would be 25.8 cents per pound. (Table of analyses, pages 70 and 71.)

### RETAIL COST OF NITROGEN, PHOSPHORIC ACID AND POTASH.

A review of the preceeding pages shows that the figures given below represent approximately the cost to the buyer at retail, of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash in fertilizer chemicals during the last season.

### COST OF NITROGEN, PHOSPHORIC ACID AND POTASH, CENTS PER POUND.

CENTO TER TOURE.	
Nitrogen in nitrate of soda, 17.2-19.4, average	-
in dried blood, mixed car lots, cash	.4
in dry ground fish, 22.3-29.8, average 25	. I
in tankage, 16.8–22.4, average	. 8
in bone, 20.1–33.1, average	. 8
Phosphoric Acid "available" in precipitated phosphate 5	. 8
"available" in acid phosphate 4	.7
"available" in acid phosphate, car lots 3.	75
"available" in basic slag 5-	0.00
Total in basic slag 4.	52
Total in ground phosphate rock, in bulk car lots	
cash	II
Potash as carbonate in pure carbonate of potash 7.2-8.	0
as carbonate in "vegetable potash" 8.	
as carbonate in cotton hull ashes 7.6-9.	0
in high grade sulphate 4.8-5.	5
in double sulphate 5.	I
in muriate, 4.0–4.7, average 4.	4
muriate, in mixed car lots, cash 3.	76

#### ANALYSES OF TANKAGE.

Station No.	Manufacturer.	Dealer or Purchaser,
4012 4361 4014 4020 4370 4028 4483 3806 3782 3756 3722 3488	Apothecaries Hall Co. L. T. Frisbie Co. Lister's Agricultural Chem. Works. Nitrate Agencies Co. Rogers Manufacturing Co. Sanderson Fert. and Chem. Co.	Conn. School for Boys, Meriden. A. D. Clark, Orange. W. S. Hine, Derby. Highwood Veg. and Fruit Growers'
3832 3630 4592 4089	Sampled by Purchaser. Apothecaries Hall Co. Mystic Rendering Co. Rogers & Hubbard Co. Shay Fertilizer Co.	Manufacturer

## V. MIXED FERTILIZERS.

## MIXTURES OF PHOSPHATES WITH POTASH SALTS.

**4371.** Lister's Dissolved Phosphate and Potash, made by Lister's Agricultural Chemical Works, Newark, N. J., and sampled from stock of F. C. Benjamin, Danbury.

**4362** and **4591**. Wheeler's Grass and Oats, made by the American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York City. **4362** was sampled from stock of R. H. Hall, East Hampton, **4591** from stock of L. G. Tolles, Southington.

#### ANALYSES OF TANKAGE.

		Chemica	1 Analysis	s.			anical	per ton.	
_	Nitrogen.				oric Acid.				ů,
As Ammonia.	As Organic.	Total found.	Total guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Finer than r-50 in.	Coarser than r-50 in.	Dealer's cash price	Valuation per ton
% 0.14 0.14 0.08 0.12 0.04 0.00 0.26 0.18	% 4.95 7.33 4.97 4.98 2.76 7.04 4.72  7.83	% 5.09 7.47 5.05 5.10 2.80 7.04 4.98 5.18 8.01 7.67 6.96	% 4.94 7.41 4.94 4.94 2.67 5.75 4.83 4.94 7.41 7.41	16.53 10.94 15.22 15.48 11.96 13.43 17.03 18.70 10.78 11.67	% 13.73 9.15 13.73 15.00 12.00 13.73 15.00 12.00 9.00	% 37 67 37 46 50 71 52 54 55 53 53	% 63 33 63 54 50 29 48 46 45 47	\$ 35.00 40.00 34.00 30.00 30.00 34.00 39.00 39.00	\$ 31.52 38.55 30.40 31.28 19.89 39.01 32.31 34.44 39.71 38.90
		6.28	7.41	12.47		44	56		33.47
0.09	4.84	4.93 5.28 4.66 6.10	4·94  6.58	14.92 16.06 14.02 5.01	15.00	46 15  25	54 85  75	30.00	30.20 30.61  26.21

#### ANALYSES.

Station No	4371	4362	4591	
Percentage amounts of				
Water-soluble phosphoric acid	7.30	6.36	7.12	
Citrate-soluble phosphoric acid	2.77	4.00	3.26	
Citrate-insoluble phosphoric acid	0.27	1.60	1.25	
Total phosphoric acid found	10.34	11.96	11.63	
Total phosphoric acid guaranteed	11.00	12.00	12.00	
"Available" phosphoric acid found	10.07	10.36	10.38	
"Available" phosphoric acid guaranteed	10.00	11.00	11.00	
Potash as muriate	1.85	2.36	2.71	
Total potash found	1.85	2.36	2.71	
Total potash guaranteed	2.00	2.00	2.00	
Cost per ton	\$28.00	25.00	22.00	
Valuation per ton	\$10.38	11.45	11.68	

## ANALYSES OF

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Dealer or Purchaser.
4508 4510 4511	Sampled by Station.  American Agr. Chem. Co., Fine Ground Bon American Agr. Chem. Co., Bone Meal.  Apothecaries Hall Co., Bone Meal.  Armour Fertilizer Works, Bone Meal.  Berkshire Fertilizer Co., Fine Ground Bone Valentine Bohl, Self-Recommending Fert.  Bowker Fertilizer Co., Fresh Ground Bone.  Lowell Fertilizer Co., Fine Bone Meal.  International Agr. Corp., Bone Meal.  Lister's Agr. Chem. Works, Bone Meal.  Lowell Fertilizer Co., Ground Bone.  E. Manchester & Sons, Fine Ground Bone.  Nitrate Agencies Co., Ground Bone.  Olds & Whipple, Steamed Bone Meal.  Parmenter & Polsey Fert. Co., Ground Bone.  Rogers & Hubbard Co., Pure Raw Knuckle Bone Flour.  Rogers Mfg. Co., Fine Ground Bone.  Rogers Mfg. Co., Knuckle Bone Flour.  Sanderson Fert. & Chem. Co., Ground Bone.  M. L. Shoemaker & Co., Swift-Sure Bone Meal.  Van Iderstine Co., Ground Bone.  Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Pure Ground Bone.  Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Pure Ground Bone.	Factory. F. S. Bidwell & Co. A. E. Hayes. C. A. Templeton A. D. Bridge's Sons W. A. Burr Factory J. R. Reinhard & Son F. C. Benjamin M. E. Cooke. W. J. Warner E. White Factory J. P. Barstow & Co.  Rackliffe Bros. Co. G. W. Strant Meriden Grain & Feed Co. Highwood Veg. & Fr. Grow. Asso. Knowles-Lombard Co. F. A. Forbes. C. Buckingham
3971 3653 3327 4085 4086 4136 4635 4568 3916	Sampled by Purchaser. Valentine Bohl, Ground Bone. Consumers Fertilizer Co., Ground Bone. Nitrate Agencies Co., Ground Bone. Lowell Fertilizer Co., Pure Ground Bone. Lowell Fertilizer Co., Pure Ground Bone. Lowell Fertilizer Co., Pure Ground Bone. Sanderson Fert. & Chem. Co., Fine Ground Bone. Ground Bone. Ground Bone. Ground Bone. Ground Bone. Ground Bone.	I. B. Barnard G. A. Drew. Pring Bros. L. Palmieri L. Palmieri L. Palmieri O. G. Beard R. S. Chisolm

### Bone Manures.

	Chemical	Analysis.		Mechanica	al Analysis.	price	r ton
Nita	rogen.	Phospho	oric Acid.	Finer than	Coarser than	's cash	Valuation per ton.
Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	1-50 inch.	1-50 inch.	\$ 34.00 38.00 30.00 33.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00 35.00	Valuat
% 2.13 1.84 2.54 2.68 2.59 3.89 2.60 2.36 2.14 2.65	% 2.47 1.65 2.26 2.47 2.50 3.82 2.47 2.47 2.47 2.47	% 22.52 16.27 22.69 25.82 22.77 23.05 26.10 26.51 25.84 16.50	% 22.88 13.73 22.88 22.00 20.00 23.03 22.88 22.88 23.00 22.00	%68 72 73 52 62 52 59 64 59	% 32 28 27 48 38 48 41 36 41 45	34.00 38.00 30.00 33.00 30.00 35.00 35.00 30.00 30.00	\$ 25.91 20.06 27.93 29.91 27.70 32.56 30.17 29.72 28.14 22.91
3.00 2.18 2.55 2.24 2.50 2.92	2.67 2.46 2.47 2.46 2.50 2.46	26.23 26.76 23.92 23.64 24.82 24.56	22.88 23.00 22.88 22.88 22.00 23.00	59 73 69 80 68	39 41 27 31 20 32	29.00 31.00 33.00	31.95 29.00 28.92 27.28 29.71 30.67
4.01 3.44 3.80 2.28 3.78	3.82 3.50 3.80 2.47 2.50	25.36 25.84 25.84 24.87 24.54	24.50 25.00 25.00 20.00 20.00	50 92 57 52 42	50 8 43 48 58	37.00 38.00	34.66 35.04 34.62 27.63 32.71
4.13 1.82 2.64 3.09	4·53 2.00 2.46	20.65 29.04 22.39 23.37	20.00 27.00 22.00	70 49 58 75	30 51 42 25		32.67 28.86 27.43 30.81
4.18 4.17 2.48 3.03 2.62 2.35	3.82 3.70 2.47	23.31 21.46 24.56	23.03	17 67 	83 33 	28.00	
2.76 3.00 4.00 3.90	2.90	29.17 25.00  21.11	21.00	52 60 	48 40  99	34.00  37.00	28.50

These samples appear to be mixtures of acid phosphate and muriate of potash. Twelve hundred pounds of acid phosphate and 150 pounds of muriate of potash which could be bought in any city of the State for \$13.00, or less, would supply as much available plant food as either of these brands which costs \$20.00 or more per ton and would cost less for teaming.

## MIXED TOBACCO FERTILIZERS CONTAINING CHIEFLY PHOSPHORIC ACID AND POTASH.

4124. Tobacco Ash Manure. Made by the American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York; Stock of J.C. Thompson, Unionville.

4341. Same brand; Stock of Spencer Bros., Suffield.

**4133.** Tobacco Ash Elements. Made by Bowker Fertilizer Co., New York; Stock of Seth Viets, West Suffield.

**4282.** Tobacco Ash Constituents. Made by Mapes Formula and Peruvian Guano Co., New York; Stock of Spencer Bros., Suffield.

**4289.** Ash Compound for Tobacco. Made by National Fertilizer Co., New York; Stock of C. D. Cannon, Windsor Locks.

4478. Vegetable Potash and Bone. Made by Olds & Whipple Hartford; Stock of B. N. Alderman, East Granby.

	4124	4341	4133	4282	4289	4478
Nitrogen, total	0.28	0.50	0.20	0.65	0.48	0.10
Nitrogen, guaranteed				0.50		
Phosphoric acid, water-						
soluble	1.92	1.58	1.01	0.34	1.54	0.58
Phosphoric acid, citrate-						
soluble	6.97	7.22	5.57	2.11	7.15	12.01
Phosphoric acid, citrate-	0.97	1.23	2.38	3.56	1.19	1.87
insoluble						
Phosphoric acid, total						
found	9.86	10.03	8.96	6.01	9.88	14.46
Phosphoric acid, total						
guaranteed	9.00	10.00	9.00	5.70	9.00	12.00
Potash calculated as mu-						
riate	1.28	2.31	0.90	I.24	1.20	1.63
Potash calculated as sul-						
phate	13.75	12.10	14.83	0.88	13.40	1.35
Potash calculated as car-						
				14.63		14.15
Potash total found	15.03	14.41	15.73	16.75	14.60	17.13
Potash total guaranteed.	16.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	16.00	15.00
Cost per ton	\$	34.50	32.50	36.00	34.00	44.00
Valuation per ton	\$23.56	23.49	22.65	31.24	23.68	36.56

#### NITROGENOUS SUPERPHOSPHATES.

In the following tables, pages 80 to 101, are given the analyses of 308 samples of fertilizers, drawn by the Station agent, which represent 295 different brands. There are also added at the end of the table 18 analyses of samples sent by manufacturers or buyers.

All of these analyses have been made in duplicate by different chemists and have been reported as soon as made to the manu-

facturers and selling agents.

#### ANALYSES REQUIRING SPECIAL NOTICE.

The analysis of the American Agricultural Chemical Co.'s Quinnipiac Branch Potato Phosphate, **4234**, did not at all correspond with the guaranty. On investigation the company reported that by mistake a  $_3-6-6$  brand was shipped to the buyer instead of the  $_2\frac{1}{2}-8-3$ . The Station endeavored, without success, to find another sample in a different locality for analyses.

The A. A. C. Co.'s Wheeler's Havana Tobacco Grower, 4129, being found deficient in nitrogen and potash, a second sample, 4356, was drawn and analyzed which met the guaranty of nitrogen, but failed to meet the potash guaranty by 0.3 per cent.

The A. A. C. Co.'s Williams & Clark Branch Mammoth Oak Phosphate, 4255, having shown less potash than was guaranteed, a second sample, 4560, was analyzed which contained 0.9 per cent. more potash than the first, but less than was guaranteed.

The A. A. C. Co.'s Williams & Clark Branch Meadow Queen Fertilizer, 4054, showed a large deficiency of nitrogen and overrun of potash, suggesting that the brand name was incorrect. A second sample was therefore drawn, 4342, the analysis of which more than met the guaranty.

Apothecaries Hall Co.'s Victor Potato and Vegetable Special, 4033, was deficient in both nitrogen and potash. A second sample was therefore drawn from a different stock, 4343, which fully met the guaranty.

Apothecaries Hall Co.'s Victor Top Dressing for Grass and Grain, 4093, had less nitrogen than was guaranteed. A second sample was therefore analyzed, drawn from other stock, 4344, which contained more nitrogen and potash than the first sample

but less than half as much "available" phosphoric acid. The form of phosphate used in the two formulas was evidently quite unlike.

Armour's Brewer's Special Tobacco Fertilizer, 4034, contained less nitrogen than was guaranteed. It was impossible to get a second sample for analysis.

The Coe-Mortimer Co.'s Double Strength Top Dressing, 4276, showed a large shortage of both nitrogen and potash and an over-run of phosphoric acid. A second sample, 4539, was therefore drawn for analysis from a different stock. Both the potash and phosphoric acid in this sample fully met the guaranty, while nitrogen was still deficient.

The National Fertilizer Co.'s H. G. Top Dressing, 4143, had considerably less nitrogen and potash than was guaranteed. A second sample from another lot, 4345, showed similar deficiencies.

Olds & Whipple's Grass Fertilizer Top Dressing, **4294**, contained less potash than guaranteed. The analysis of the firm's chemist showed "available" phosphoric acid 6.76, while the Station's figure was 4.96 per cent.

The Rogers & Hubbard Co.'s Hubbard's Bone Base Oats and Top Dressing, 3821, had o.ii per cent. less nitrogen than guaranteed. At request of the manufacturer a second sample, 4346, was analyzed from a different stock, which contained very considerably more of each ingredient than was guaranteed.

The Rogers & Hubbard Co.'s Hubbard's Soluble Tobacco Manure, 4305, was found to contain 1.71 per cent. of chlorine which the manufacturer claimed was more than the brand should contain and asked for the analysis of another sample. A second sample, 4557, was found to contain less chlorine, 1.08 per cent. Neither percentage is large enough to damage a tobacco fertilizer in our opinion.

The analyses of Rogers Manufacturing Co.'s Complete Potato and Vegetable, Complete Corn and Onion, H. G. Soluble Tobacco and Potato, Nos. 3889, 4186 and 4184, showing less of one ingredient than was guaranteed, second analyses were made from different stock. In dry-mixed goods a mechanical separation of the ingredients often takes place, which results in a deficiency of one ingredient in any given sample and a surplus of another.

#### REGARDING GUARANTIES.

Of the 295 brands sampled by the Station, 115, or about one in every three, failed in some particular to meet the minimum guaranteed composition. Ninety-five were deficient in respect of a single ingredient, twenty in respect of two and one in respect of all three ingredients. An examination of these deficiencies shows the following:

Deficient in	nitrogen alone	30 1	orands.
11.	' total phosphoric acid alone	22	
"	"available" phosphoric acid alone	7	"
	optash alone		"
	' nitrogen and potash	7	"
	' nitrogen and phosphoric acid	2	"
	' potash and phosphoric acid		44
"	'all ingredients	I	"
		115	

In two cases the trouble was very likely a mistake in the brand name, the contents of packages representing a brand different from that given on the label.

In most cases a deficiency in one ingredient was fully made up, as far as value given is concerned, by an over-run of another ingredient. The sixteen brands named below, however, failed to make up the deficiency per ton of fertilizer by the amounts named.

**4198.** Bradley Branch, A. A. Chem. Co.'s Complete Top Dressing for Grass and Grain. Deficiency \$0.23.

**4129.** Wheeler Branch A. A. Chem. Co's Havana Tobacco Grower.\* Deficiency \$0.83.

4093 and 4334. Apothecaries Hall Co.'s Top Dresser for Grass and Grain, two analyses. Deficiencies, \$1.42 and \$4.48.

4193. Armour Fertilizer Co.'s Bone, Blood and Potash. Deficiency \$1.24.

4034. Armour Fertilizer Co.'s Brewer's Special Tobacco Fertilizer. Deficiency \$0.84.

4276. Coe-Mortimer's Double Strength Top Dressing.† Deficiency \$8.70. We are advised that the manufacturer gave a rebate to the buyer on account of the unexpected shortage.

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 73. † See note, p. 74.

**4539.** Coe-Mortimer's Double Strength Top Dressing.\* Deficiency \$1.65.

4138. International Agricultural Corporation's High Grade Manure. Deficiency \$1.19.

4137. International Agricultural Corporation's Top Dressing. Deficiency \$0.55.

**4320.** Lowell Fertilizer Co.'s Special Potato Fertilizer with Ten Per Cent. Potash. Deficiency \$0.32.

4119. National Fertilizer Co.'s Formula A. Deficiency \$0.86. 4143 and 4345. National Fertilizer Co.'s H. G. Top Dressing.\* Deficiencies \$3.11 and \$2.74 respectively.

**3824.** C. M. Shay Fertilizer Co.'s Complete Fertilizer. Deficiency \$0.56.

**4318.** C. M. Shay Fertilizer Co.'s Market Garden. Deficiency \$1.08.

#### REGARDING VALUATION.

The method and meaning of valuation are explained on pages 45 and 46 and the table of trade values will be found on page 47.

It must be remembered that "valuation" as used in this report is not a valuation of the brand in question but of the nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash in it; that is, it shows approximately what the same amounts of these ingredients as are contained in a ton of the mixed fertilizer would cost, unmixed, for cash, at freight centers in this State, in their unground and unmixed condition. To make a fair valuation of the manufactured fertilizer itself would necessitate adding to our valuation the average cost of mixing and bagging, bags, shrinkage, cost of storage, selling, collecting, freight, etc., items which would probably aggregate \$8.00 to \$12.00 per ton.

The Solubility of the Organic Nitrogen in Nitrogenous Superphosphates.

The solubility and ready decomposition of nitrogenous matters is believed to stand in close relation to their availability to crops. A method has been provisionally adopted by the Association of Official Agricultural Chemists for determining nitrogen solubility and this has been described in former reports.

Two hundred and sixty-one brands of fertilizers have been tested by this method during the year. The brands which were not tested were those in which the organic nitrogen was known to be chiefly in form of cotton seed meal or castor pomace and a few others in which the percentages of organic nitrogen were very small or in which the total nitrogen exceeded the quantity by more than the amount of the water-insoluble nitrogen.

The separate determinations made by the method need not here be given but only the general results. Fertilizers are passed as unobjectionable when more than 55 per cent. of the water-insoluble nitrogen is soluble in the reagent used and can therefore be classed as "active-insoluble" nitrogen. If the solubility of the water-insoluble nitrogen is between 55 and 50 per cent. the nitrogen it is classed as doubtful and if it is under 50 per cent. it is presumably inferior.

In 27 brands between 55 and 50 per cent. only of the water-insoluble nitrogen was "active-insoluble" which raises doubt as to the quality of the organic nitrogen in them. The organic nitrogen of three brands had so low a solubility that it could only be classed as inferior. These brands were:

				Organic N	Percentage permanganate solubility of
			Total	Water- Soluble	Water-insoluble Nitrogen
3981	Virginia-	Carolina	Star Brand 1.23	0.28	32.0
3827	"	"	Owl Brand 0.58	0.16	36.5
3828	"	"	XXX Fish & Potash 1.49	0.83	29.5

## REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF FERTILIZERS.

The yearly analysis of the large number of commercial fertilizers sold in this State, a work which takes the time of six men for four or five months, is useful in calling immediate attention both to the introduction of grossly inferior goods—a very rare happening now—and also to mistakes in the brands which are shipped and to failures in manufacture.

The publication of these tables of analyses gives wider publicity to the facts which they show and their chief value to the individual farmer is, perhaps, as a guide to purchasing next spring.

In consequence of the facts that little or no potash is imported from Germany at present, and that we have no adequate domestic

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 74.

supply, manufacturers will be obliged to very radically change their formulas which will contain much less potash than hitherto, and probably different percentages of nitrogen and phosphoric acid. Some manufacturers will use the same brand names as before but will change their composition. Others will add something to the former brand name to indicate that for the time being the formula is changed, and still others plan to withdraw their present brands and introduce substitute brands. In the aggregate a great reduction in the total number of brands is to be anticipated.

Those who buy factory-mixed goods will need to pay special regard to the guaranteed composition of fertilizers, for brand names in the coming season will have largely lost their distinctive meaning and purchasers will be forced to do what is too often not done, buy by the analysis and not by the brand name alone.

Table of Analyses

of

Nitrogenous Superphosphates

Sold in Connecticut

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Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
Stal			Valuat
4248 3892 4194	Sampled by Station Agent: The American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York City. Excelsior Top Dresser Grass and Lawn Top Dressing H. G. Fertilizer with 10% Potash	SharonSouthport	\$41. 22. 22.
4196 4197 4198*	Bradley Branch: B. D. Guano. Complete Manure for Potatoes and Vegetables. Complete Manure for Top Pressing Grass	Moodus	15.
4198* 4199 3994 4200 3995 4202 3996 3893 4213 3894 4214 44048 3950 3997 4126 4125 3951 3933 4216	Complete Manure for Top Dressing, Grass and Grain. Complete Manure with 10% Potash. Corn Phosphate. Eclipse Phosphate for All Crops. Excelsior Fish and Potash. Farmers' New Method Fertilizer. Greyhound Fertilizer. Half Century Fertilizer. Menhaden Fish Phosphate. New Rival Fertilizer. Niagara Phosphate. Patent Superphosphate. Potato Fertilizer Potato Manure. Potato Manure. Sure Growth Phosphate. Tobacco Manure (Carbonate). Tobacco Manure (Sulphate). Top Dresser. Weymouth Staple Phosphate XL Superphosphate of Lime.	Norwich. Norwich Town. Norwich Suffield. Putnam Glastonbury Middletown. Hazardville. Stamford. Putnam Stamford Springs. Pomfret. Milford. Norwalk Hazardville. Glastonbury Glastonbury Hazardville. Hazardville. Hazardville.	25.: 25.: 15.: 16.: 17.: 26.: 18.: 18.: 18.: 19.: 22.: 28.: 26.: 19.: 22.: 19.:
4217	Church Branch: Fish and Potash	Ellington	15.4
3998 4050 4055 4218 4226	East India Branch: Black Hawk Fertilizer. Cabbage and Potato Manure. Church's Fish and Potash. Corn King. Fish and Potash.	Milford	20.6 26.8 15.3 22.8 17.3

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 75.

## ANALYSES AND VALUATIONS.

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3.85 2.33 0.91	0.76	0.99	2.66		2.58	2.81 2.36 3.70	0.14 0.79 0.69	7.16 6.17 6.97	8.0 6.0 7.0	7.02 5.38 6.28	7.0 5.0 6.0	7.87 2.38 9.87	7.87 2.38 9.87	8.0 2.0 10.0	4248 3892 4194
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1.5 <sup>1</sup> 1.23 0.7 <sup>2</sup> 1.1; 0.6 <sup>1</sup> 0.2 1.0, 0.8 0.6 0.2 0.4 0.9 0.9 2.2 0.0	1.98 1.200 1.044 1.0.70 1.0.44 1.0.10 1.	1.29 1.09 0.82 1.18 1.11 0.077 1.34 1.11 1.08 0.08 2.24 1.00 0.8 2.24 1.00 0.8 2.24 0.00 0.8 2.24 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	1.4.78 1.3.52 1.2.23 1.2.23 1.2.24 1.3.22 1.3.22 1.3.22 1.3.23	4.944 2.3.29 2.477 1.655 2.066 2	2.78 3.74 3.72 4.47 0.94 5.45 5.5.53 3.3.78 2.3.89 6.58 4.33 7.3.79 7.34	1.60 2.48 4.44 3.24 3.39 3.10 2.96 3.97 2.52 4.58 2.84 1.25 1.85 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.86 2.86	1.20 0.87 1.13 1.25 2.11 0.12 0.96 1.13 0.97	8.20 8.25 9.08 10.95 10.11 7.50 9.72 8.00 12.37 4.35 4.54 6.26	10.0 4.0 4.0 6.0 9.0	8.91 6.63 8.59 6.75 10.26 4.23 3.58 5.13 9.01	4.0 6.0 8.0 8.0 4.0 8.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8	6.09 9.58 1.81 2.15 4.44 3.39 10.61 3.91 2.16 4.85 1.71 1.50 3.26 5.05 7.14 5.10 4.99 0.73 0.68 5.07 10.01 2.44	6.09 9.58 1.81 2.15 4.44 3.39 10.61 3.91 2.16 4.85 7.14 5.05 7.14 5.10 4.99 †5.83 5.90 5.07 10.01 2.44	6.0 10.0 1.5 2.0 4.0 3.0 10.0 3.0 2.0 5.0 1.5 3.0 5.0 7.0 5.0 4.0 5.5 5.5 6.0 10.0	4198 4199 3994 4200 3995 4201 4202 3996 3996 4213 3894 4214 4215 3950 3997 4126 3950 3997 4126
0.5	0.8	0 0.9	2 2.2	2 2.0	6 4.10	2.25	0.52	6.87	7.0	6.35	6.0	2.28	2.28	2.0	421
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<sup>† 0.65</sup> as sulphate, 4.45 as carbonate.

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Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
4219 4220 4221 3999 4127 4222 4223	Sampled by Station Agent: The American Agricultural Chemical Converge New York City. (Continued.) East India Branch: (Continued.) Garden and Farm Manure. Pilgrim Fertilizer. Potato Manure. 10% Vegetable and Potato. Tobacco Special (Carbonate). Tobacco Special (Sulphate). Unexcelled Fertilizer.	Southport Watertown Burnside Southport Burnside	26.5
4224 4227 4056	Great Eastern Branch: General H. G. Vegetable, Vine and Tobacco Fertilizer. Northern Corn Special.	East Hampton	15.92 20.71 18.86
4228 4057 4229	Packers' Union Branch: Animal Corn Fertilizer. Gardeners' Complete Manure. Potato Manure.	. Waterford	18.17 26.19 20.45
4230 4058 4231 4232 4233 4303 4234* 4059	Quinnipiac Branch: Corn Manure. Fish and Potash Manure. Market Garden Manure. Phosphate. Potato Manure. Potato Manure. Potato Phosphate. Wrapper Leaf Brand Tobacco Manure.	Westport. Westport. New London. New London. Westport.	16.67 17.17 25.04 18.49 20.01 20.73 19.87 26.22
4128 4235 4129* 4356* 4236	Wheeler Branch: Connecticut Tobacco Grower Corn Fertilizer Havana Tobacco Grower Havana Tobacco Grower Potato Manure	Granby.	26.47 17.01 23.45 24.34 18.17
4237	Williams & Clark Branch: Americus Ammoniated Bone Superphosphate Americus Corn Phosphate	Clark's Corner	18.45 16.43

<sup>\*</sup> See notes, pp. 73 and 75.

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.20	1.82	1.31	3.33	3.29		2.09 3.06 1.93 2.52		9.40 9.72 7.32 10.17	9.0 9.0 7.0 9.0	8.33 8.34 6.64 8.98	8.0 8.0 6.0 8.0	6.22 4.31 10.89 9.78	6.84 4.31 10.89 9.78 †5.65	7.0 4.0 10.0 10.0 5.5	421: 422: 422: 399: 412:
.95	***	3.09	4.02	4.53	0.40	3.97 3.32 3.36	0.18 0.90 2.03	4.55 4.99 10.48	4.0 4.0 9.0	4.37 4.09 8.45	3.0 3.0 8.0	0.99 0.60 3.27	5.74 3.27	5.5	422
.17	0.20	0.98	1.3	0.82	2.58	6.03	1.00	9.61	9.0	8.61	8.0	4.17	4.17	4.0	422
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0.77 0.15 0.97	0.10 1.42 0.85 0.70 0.68	1.25 1.21 1.40 0.95 2.08	2.4 3.4 2.4 2.6 2.6 2.7	1 2.47 0 3.29 0 2.47 2 2.47 6 2.47	5 4.73 7 1.63 9 4.93 7 4.46 7 2.67 7 1.48 6 2.97 0.44	3.32 3.48 3.24 4.03 4.43 5.18 3.41 3.90	0.65 1.48 1.04 1.68 1.22 2.01 0.72 0.14	8.70 6.59 9.21 10.17 8.32 8.67 7.10 4.48	5.0 9.0 10.0 7.0 7.0 9.0	5.11 8.17 8.49 7.10 6.66 6.38	8.0 4.0 8.0 9.0 6.0 6.0 8.0 3.0	1.69 4.53 7.05 2.28 5.45 5.14 6.07 0.84	1.69 4.53 7.05 2.28 5.45 5.14 6.07 5.27	1.5 4.0 7.0 2.0 5.0 5.0 3.0 5.5	423 405 423 423 430 423 405
0.18	1.06	1.30	2.3	6 2.4	3 0.50 5 4.49 7 3.31 7 3.32 4.20	3.72 3.66 3.01 3.13 3.88	0.73 1.83 1.42 1.29 1.11	7.74 7.74	9.0 7.0 7.0	8.25 6.32 6.45	3.0 8.0 6.0 6.0 8.0	0.28 2.57 1.24 0.94 3.33	5.58 2.57 9.17 9.72 3.33	5.5 2.0 10.0 10.0 3.0	412 423 412 435 423
0.7	1.10	0.6	5 2.4	6 2.4	7 5.12 6 5.47	3.85		10.26				2.16 1.69	2.16 1.69	2.0 1.5	423 424

<sup>† 0.96</sup> as sulphate, 3.70 as carbonate.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
4250 4251 4252 4000 4052 4051 4253 4254 4256 4255* 4054* 4242* 4256 4130 4053 4257	Sampled by Station Agent: The American Agricultural Chemical Co. New York City (Continued.) Williams & Clark Branch: (Continued.) Americus Fertilizer. Americus Potato Manure. Aroostook Potato Phosphate. Chesterfield Manure. Elk Brand. Fish Guano. Good Grower. Great Planet Manure. Mammoth Oak Phosphate. Meadow Queen Fertilizer. Meadow Queen Fertilizer. Meadow Queen Fertilizer. Potash and Fish. Seed Leaf Tobacco Manure. Sterling Plant Food. Clark's Root Manure.	Waterbury Clark's Corner Wapping Waterbury Milford Milford South Manchester Norfolk Burlington Norfolk Milford Wapping South Manchester Wapping Milford Milford Wapping Milford	17.88 24.54 21.74 14.78
4094 4093†	Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury, Conn. Victor Corn Phosphate. Victor Potato and Vegetable Special. Victor Potato and Vegetable Special. Victor Tobacco Special. Victor Top Dresser for Grass and Grain. Victor Top Dresser for Grass and Grain.	Waterbury. Windsorville. Thomaston. Windsorville	21.57 26.20 27.57 26.09 38.77 37.26
3895 4095 3879 4193‡ 3952 4034† 4111 3896 4258 4260 4032 4110 3880 3867	Armour Fertilizer Works, Balto., Md. All Soluble Ammoniated Bone with Potash Bone, Blood and Potash. Bone, Blood and Potash. Bidwell's Formula for All Crops. Brewer's Special Tobacco Fertilizer. Complete Potato Fertilizer. Conn. Valley Tobacco Grower. Conn. Valley Tobacco Starter. Corn King. Fish and Potash Mixture. Fruit and Root Crop Special. Grain Grower.	South Manchester. Bridgeport. Hazardville. Danielson. Windsor Locks. East Hartford. Danielson. Rockville. South Manchester. Guilford. Hazardville. Danielson. Hazardville.	21.39 17.85 28.04 26.30 21.48 25.28 17.05 26.30 18.48 21.09 15.24 18.02 15.09 22.03 25.81

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 73.

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425 425 405 405 425 425 406 425 425 406 425 425 425 425 425 425 425 425 425 425	10.0 3.0 10.0 5.0 4.0 2.0 5.0 7.0 10.0 2.0 2.0 4.0 5.5 1.5 7.0	10.28 2.98 9.45 6.76 4.48 2.66 4.93 5.64 9.26 8.34 5.69 1.81 8.01	10.28 2.98 9.45 6.76 4.48 2.66 4.93 5.64 9.26 8.34 5.08 2.53 4.29 0.72 1.81 8.01	8.0 8.0 6.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 6.0 6.0 9.0 9.0 9.0 9.0 9.0	8.41 8.34 6.36 6.79 7.98 6.93 5.77 9.50 9.35 5.20 4.17 8.59 9.13	5.0 4.0 9.0	9.40 9.44 7.36 7.80 9.31 8.00 8.20 9.16 7.59 10.63 10.53 6.20 4.99 10.04 9.95	1.13 1.18 1.00 0.82	3.50 3.41 3.26 4.53 3.23 2.60 4.40 2.73 3.27 4.03 2.78 3.39 2.39 3.50 2.90 3.56	3.10 2.26 4.75 4.33 1.37 5.76 2.89 4.24 6.72 5.96 2.81 0.67 5.69	3.29 2.47 0.82 2.06 1.23 3.29 2.47 2.47 2.47 2.47 2.47 4.53 2.06	1.78 2.20 3.45 2.73 1.02 2.26 1.32 3.80 2.68 3.00 1.95 2.90 2.42 4.58 2.00 0.99	1.83 2.12 0.72 1.46 1.17 1.77 1.11 1.40 1.07 1.06 1.18 3.64 1.38	0.90 1.56 0.28 0.15 0.50 0.10 0.76 1.32 1.42 0.70 1.30 0.30	0.24 0.06 0.33 0.15 0.30 0.05 0.25 0.18 0.54 0.94 0.94
386 403 434 409 434	5.0 10.0 10.0 6.0 7.3 7.3	5.83 8.82 10.70 6.12 7.76 8.19	5.83 1.36 0.88 1.04 7.76 8.19	8.0 8.0 8.0 4.0 7.3 7.3	9.04 10.24 9.07 5.71 7.99 3.45	6.0	10.04 10.75 9.85 7.16 8.51 6.20	1.00 0.51 0.78 1.45 0.52 2.75	4.05 3.57 4.87 5.09 1.99 3.20	6.67 4.20 0.62 6.00	2.46 2.46 4.10 8.25	4.28	1.50 1.36 1.40 0.13	0.32 0.04 0.22 4.40	0.51 1.10 2.66 3.13
389 409 387 411 399 400 411 388 422 400 411 388 422 400 411 388 422 400 411 412 400 411 412 400 411 412 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 40	4.0 2.0 7.0 5.0 5.5 6.0 5.5 3.0 4.0 2.0 2.0 10.0 7.0	4.17 3.21 7.01 7.34 6.21 5.48 6.18 5.57 2.59 4.37 2.38 5.68 2.28 10.29 7.12	4.17 3.21 7.01 7.34 3.79 0.40 6.18 1.07 1.95 4.37 2.38 5.68 2.28 10.29 7.12	8.0 6.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 4.0 7.0 4.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0 8.0	8.53 6.30 8.75 7.83 7.89 4.61 6.59 4.80 8.37 8.28 7.22 7.53 7.64 7.98 8.78	8.5	9.57 8.19 9.15 8.96 9.21	1.27 0.74 0.52 0.81 1.13 0.51 1.15 0.50 0.78 1.29 0.97 1.62 1.32	3.25 1.60 2.62 2.72 1.99 1.11 3.46 1.73 1.27 3.53 2.66 2.95 2.93 2.99 2.85	1.70	2.47 4.11 4.11 2.47 4.52 1.65 4.52 2.47 2.05 1.65	4.07 3.76 2.42 4.18 1.63 4.44 2.71 1.80 1.66 1.60	1.60 1.94 1.66 1.16 3.08 1.12 3.24 0.86 1.72 1.31 1.44 1.47	0.30 1.35 1.10 0.10 0.06 0.22 0.04 0.78 0.28 0.06 0.08	0.78 1.00 1.16 1.04 0.29 1.16 1.54 0.21 0.21 0.05

<sup>†</sup> See notes, pp. 73 and 75.

<sup>‡</sup> See note, page 75.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton,
3881 3897 4262 4263 4098 4097 4035 4096 4132	Long Island Special. Potato and Vegetable Phosphate.	Waterbury. Norwich Town. Glastonbury. Chester. Chester. Norwich Town. Milldale. Waterbury.	\$16.71 23.15 24.17 40.04 18.66 26.31 24.86 16.04 33.57
3882 4264	F. E. Boardman, Middletown, Conn. Complete for Potatoes and General Crops. Tobacco Fertilizer with Carbonate	Middletown Middletown	<sup>27</sup> ·45 <sup>29</sup> ·60
4134 4038 4003 3868 3898 4100 4099 4101 4001 4001 4039 4265 3899 3883	Complete Alkaline Tobacco Grower (Sulphate). Conn Phosphate. Early Potato Manure. Farm and Garden Phosphate. Fisherman's Brand Fish and Potash. Gloucester Fish and Potash. Hill and Drill Phosphate. Lawn and Garden Dressing. Market Garden Fertilizer. Potato and Vegetable Fertilizer Potato and Vegetable Phosphate. Special Crop Grower. Stockbridge Special Complete Manure for Corn and all Grain Crops. Stockbridge Special Complete Manure for Potatoes and Vegetables.	Yalesville	26.78  24.67 15.20 24.95 15.72 16.09 13.23 19.82 21.02 24.01 21.05 14.65 22.60 26.64 26.19
3934	Stockbridge Special Complete Manure for Seeding Down, Etc	Yalesville	26.79
4135	Stockbridge Special Complete Manure for Tobacco	Unionville	34.05
4036	Stockbridge Special Complete Manure for Top Dressing and for Forcing	New Haven	26.38
4002	Sure Crop Phosphate	Valesville	13.63
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388 389 426 409 409 409 409 419	2.0 6.0 6.0 8.0 3.0 2.0 7.0 4.0 5.5	3.17 7.27 6.29 8.42 4.11 2.72 7.19 4.66 *6.16	3.17 7.27 1.08 8.42 4.11 2.72 7.19 4.66 0.15	8.0 8.0 8.0 4.0 4.0 6.0 6.0 3.0	8.01 8.04 8.06 6.22 6.26 4.35 6.71 6.29 3.99	9.0 9.0 9.0 8.0 6.0 5.0 8.0 7.0 4.0	8.76 8.28 8.65 8.46 6.97 4.67 7.04 6.52 4.42	0.75 0.24 0.59 2.24 0.71 0.32 0.33 0.23 0.43	2.44 5.31 2.83 6.15 2.78 1.47 4.98 5.14 3.66	5.23 0.07 3.48 2.88 1.73 1.15	2.50 8.00 2.50 5.00 3.30 1.70	2.98 8.08 2.50 5.95 3.67 1.82	1.42 1.76 1.25 2.48 0.99 2.21 1.78	0.02 0.02 1.46	5.83  1.94
388	9.0	9.78 †8.58	9.78 1.14	7.0 7.0	8.98 7.26		10.11 7.80	1.13	7.97 7.12	1.01	3.09 3.30	3.32 3.73	1.55	1.09 0.06	).68 1.24
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400 380 380 410 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 400 40	5.0 2.0 7.0 2.0 4.0 1.0 2.0 5.0 10.0 4.0 2.0	5.64 2.22 7.72 2.17 4.08 1.41 2.23 5.14 10.37 4.19 2.24 10.06	0.64 2.22 7.72 2.17 4.08 1.41 2.23 5.14 10.37 4.19 2.24 10.06	4.0 8.0 7.0 8.0 4.0 8.0 9.0 4.0 6.0 8.0 8.0	4.72 8.29 7.31 8.08 4.49 8.11 9.07 4.91 6.57 8.65 8.30 8.38	5.0 9.0 8.0 9.0 5.0 9.0 10.0 7.0 9.0 9.0	4.99 9.17 8.51 9.53 5.37 9.44 10.55 5.69 7.29 9.97 9.17	0.27 0.88 1.20 1.45 0.88 1.33 1.48 0.78 0.72 1.32 0.87 2.17	3.71 2.95 2.46 2.85 1.90 2.69 3.17 3.16 3.32 2.77 2.98 4.16	5.34 4.85 5.23 2.59 5.42 5.90 1.75 3.25 5.88	1.65 3.29 1.65 2.47 0.82 2.47 3.29 2.47 2.47	1.70 3.38 1.69 2.42 1.20 2.66 3.51 2.77 2.73	0.48 1.31 1.38 1.07 0.97 1.35 1.51 1.15 1.08	0.02 0.70 1.85 0.22 1.26 0.10 1.16 0.70 1.04 1.03 0.60 0.14	0.52 0.09 0.09 0.13 0.15 1.30 0.58 0.62
38	7.0	7.21	7.21	10.0	10.18	11.0	11.19	1.01	4.74	5.44	3.29	3.33	1.31	1.70	0.32
38	10.0	10.38	10.38	6.0	6.56	7.0	7.30	0.74	2.88	C DOWN			1000	1.68	
39	8.0	7.66	1.12	10.0	10.54	11.0	11.77	1.23	2.36	8.18	2.47	2.74	0.96	1.78	
41	10.0	10.08	0.67	4.0	4.97	5.0	5.80	0.83	3.10	1.87					
40 40 41	6.0 2.0 3.0	6.06 2.32 3.33	6.06 2.32 1.08	4.0 9.0 8.0	4.61 8.90 8.62		6.00 9.86 9.66	1.39 0.96 1.04	2.31 3.05 2.26	2.30 5.85 6.36	4.94 0.82 2.47	4.92	I.35 0.74 I.03	2.48 0.16 1.50	0.08

<sup>\* 0.32</sup> as sulphate, 5.69 as carbonate. † 5.05 as sulphate, 2.39 as carbonate. ‡ 2.09 as sulphate, 2.69 as carbonate.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
4269 4266 4268 4682 4267	Sampled by Station Agent: The E. D. Chittenden Co., Bridgeport, Conn Complete Tobacco and Onion Grower. Connecticut Tobacco Grower Grain and Vegetable. Ten Per Cent. Potato. Tobacco Special.	Broad Brook	\$23.98 30.69 22.87 26.48 24.30
3817 3818	The Everett B. Clark Seed Co., Milford Conn.  Special Mixture for General Use  Special 10% Brand	Milford	26.25 27.67
4275 3954 4287 4276* 4539* 4040 3953 4113 4270 4114		West Cheshire Suffield. West Hartford Somers. West Hartford West Hartford Windsor Winsted.	18.10 23.66 35.18 33.10 39.91 22.23 18.29 26.53 15.40 26.43
4302	Conn. Valley Orchard Co., Berlin, Conn. H. G. Special Fertilizer	Berlin	21.69
3900 3901	T. H. Eldredge, Norwich, Conn. H. G. Fish and Potash Special Superphosphate	Norwich	21.69 15.69
4277 3869	Complete Manure, Potatoes, Roots and	East Hartford	25.35
3935 3870 4278 3886 3885	Vegetables. Market Garden and Potato Manure. New Tobacco Fertilizer. Special Tobacco Manure. Tobacco Starter and Grower. X X X Fish and Potash.	Hazardville East Hartford Hazardville	25.46 19.22 26.09 33.08 27.52 17.61
3718	The Fertilizer Materials Supply Co., New York City. No. 1 Potato and General Truck Fertilizer.	Highwood	25.12

<sup>\*</sup> See notes, pp. 74 and 75.

			ZN.			I	РНОЅРН	ORIC A	CID.			Po	TASH.		
	NI	TROGI	T	otal		. 1	le.	Tota	1.	So-cal	led ble"	Four	nd.		
As Nitrates.	As Ammonia.	Organic.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Water-soluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Citrate-insoluble.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	As Muriate.	Total.	Guaranteed.	Station No.
0.17	1.54	1.01	2.6	2.4	6.11 53.20 76.08 6.68 2.52	2.69 1.43 2.95 1.45 0.73	0.78 0.26 0.95 0.42 0.14	9.58 4.89 9.98 8.55 3.39	9.0 5.0 9.0 7.0 4.0	8.80 4.63 9.03 8.13 3.25	8.0 4.0 8.0 6.0 3.0	0.84 0.90 6.64 9.66 0.40	4.64 7.92 6.64 9.66 5.36	5.0 8.0 6.0 10.0 5.5	4269 4269 4269 4689 4267
1.51	0.12	1.61	3.2.	3.20	7.01	2.53 2.36	0.52	10.06 7.68		9·54 7·13	8.0 6.0	7.56 10.77	7.56 10.77	7.0 10.0	381 381
1.69 2.91 3.42  0.23 0.94 0.17	1.20 1.00 2.00 1.88 1.14 0.85 0.10	1.19 2.93 1.12 2.22 1.35 1.02 3.48	2.6 5.6 6.0 7.5 2.4 2.1 4.5 1.1	9 2.4 2 5.7 3 8.2 4 8.2 9 2.4 2 1.8 2 4.5 6 0.8	5 5.75 7 3.31 6 3.12 3 3.33 3 3.92 7 6.99 5 5.90 3 0.72 2 5.57 7.21	3.52	1.77 0.41 0.82 0.58 1.27 1.65 0.10	8.72 10.43 10.36 4.34 10.30	9.0	6.48 5.71 8.34 8.14 9.16 8.71 4.24 8.82	8.0 6.0 5.0 7.0 7.0 8.0 8.0 8.0	4.03 9.80 0.88 6.49 8.17 5.82 3.05 0.48 3.63 7.18	4.03 9.80 10.01 6.49 8.17 5.82 3.05 6.12 3.63 7.18	4.0 10.0 10.0 8.0 8.0 6.0 3.0 5.5 3.0 7.0	427 395 428 427 453 404 395 411 427 411
	0.95	1.6	7 2.6	2 2.4	7 6.12	3.28	1.41	10.81	10.0	9.40	9.0	4.19	4.19	4.0	430
1.36	0.02	2 1.00	2.3	8 2.4	6 5.81 3 5.71	1.89	0.23	7.93 9.48	6.0		5.0 9.0	4.03 2.61	7.2I 2.6I	4.0	390 390
	1.10	2.1	2 3.2	2 3.2	8 4.15	2.25	0.32	6.72	7.0	6.40	6.0	9.73	9.73	10.0	42'
1.6	4 0.08	3.0 8 2.5 3 1.8	4 4.2 3 4.2 7 4.1	5 4.1	8 4.14 0 6.38 0 2.55 0 2.76 0 1.63	5.42	0.46 0.64 1.48 0.83	9.40 4.80 9.66 6.20	9.0 5.0 7.0 5.0	8.94 4.16 8.18 5.37	6.0 8.0 4.0 6.0 4.0 8.0	10.23 4.87 0.84 1.44 1.74 2.91	10.23 4.87 6.72 10.42 8.36 2.91	10.0 5.0 6.0 10.0 6.0 3.0	393 38' 42' 38
2.2	0.0	8 1.0	5 3.3	34 3.3	30 3.40	4.98	0:68	9.06	5	8.38	8.0	7.70	7.70	7.0	37

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton,
3902 3955 3871 4115 3819	Sampled by Station Agent: The L. T. Frisbie Co., New Haven, Conn. Connecticut Special Fertilizer Corn and Grain Fertilizer Potato Manure. Top Dresser Vegetable Grower  International Agricultural Corporation,	Hartford	\$24.34 17.07 20.92 27.03 25.36
4116 4140 4138 3957 3872 4137 3956 4139	Buffalo, N. Y. Buffalo Farmers' Choice. Buffalo Fish Guano. Buffalo High Grade Manure. Buffalo New England Special. Buffalo Tobacco Producer.	Stafford Springs. Norwich. Ansonia. Windsor Locks. Norwich.	15.40 13.74 25.30 19.08 28.34 29.15 22.57 21.92
4117 4131 4280 4118 4005 4004 4279	Lister's Agricultural Chemical Works, Newark, N. J.  Ammoniated Dissolved Superphosphate Complete Tobacco Manure (Carbonate) Complete Tobacco Manure (Sulphate) Corn and Potato Fertilizer. Potato Manure Success Fertilizer. 3-6-10 for Potatoes	Warehouse Point. Glastonbury. Stafford Springs. Burnside. Hamden	16.81 27.12 25.12 16.34 25.74 15.62 22.80
3944 3874 3875 4324	Lowell Fertilizer Co., Boston, Mass. Animal Brand for all Crops. Bone Fertilizer, Corn, Grain, Grass and Vegetables. Empress Brand. Market Garden Manure.	New Britain	21.46 17.82 12.77 26.80
4322 4323 4319 3876 4321	Perfect Tobacco Grower for Tobacco, Fruit and Vines. Potato Grower with 10% Potash. Potato Manure. Potato Phosphate. Special Grass Mixture for Top Dressing and	Rockville. Granby. Guilford. Suffield.	25.92 25.28 16.81 22.91
4320† 4328 3980	Lawns Special Potato Fertilizer with 10% Potash Special Tobacco from Vegetable and Animal	Rockville. Warehouse. Windsor. Rockville.	27.65 21.99 28.61 30.21
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† See note, page 76.

## Analyses and Valuations-Continued.

		TROGI	EN.			I	PHOSPH	ORIC A	CID.			Po	TASH.		
	NI	I KOSI	To	otal ogen.		o l	ble.	Tota	1.	So-cal "Availa	led ble''	Foun	id.		
As Nitrates.	As Ammonia.	Organic.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Water-soluble.	Citrate-soluble	Citrate-insoluble.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	As Muriate.	Total.	Guaranteed.	Station No.
	1.44	0.99	2.43	2.46	3.80 3.26 3.52 3.80 3.94	2.55 5.39 4.44 4.12 3.41	0.40 1.65 1.06 0.97 0.61	6.75 10.30 9.02 8.89 7.96	7.0 9.0 8.0 8.0 7.0	6.35 8.65 7.96 7.92 7.35	6.0 8.0 6.0 7.0 6.0	11.25 3.09 6.46 4.59 8.22	11.25 3.09 6.46 4.59 8.22	10.0 3.0 6.0 4.0 8.0	3902 3955 3871 4115 3819
1.4I  2.9I	0.15 0.14 0.72 1.58 0.95 0.28	0.77 1.68 1.01 3.06 1.43 1.01	3.23 1.73 4.64 5.29	3.30 1.64 4.50 5.70 1.64	4.66 4.13 1.63 5.53 2.98 1.52 5.89 3.70	3.71 4.77 5.05 4.02 3.86 5.12 3.44 4.39	2.01 1.52 1.28 2.05	9.34 10.93 8.69 11.07 8.12 8.69 10.17 9.88	9.0 10.0 8.0 10.0 6.0 7.0 9.0	8.90 6.68 9.55 6.84 6.64 9.33	8.0 9.0 7.0 9.0 5.0 6.0 8.0	5.02 2.36 9.16 4.94 0.44 5.67 9.67 6.85	5.02 2.36 9.16 4.94 5.01 5.67 9.67 6.85	5.0 2.0 10.0 5.0 5.5 5.0 10.0 7.0	4116 4146 4138 395 3873 413 3956 4138
1.72	0.10 0.32 1.82	2.69 2.31 1.44 1.54 1.25	3.94 4.13 4 1.70 4 3.30 5 1.40	4.II 3 4.II 5 1.6 5 3.2 6 1.2	5.80 10.48 12.31 5.20 5.42 3.6.96 7.3.75	2.83 3.57 2.50 2.96 2.83 2.25 2.40		6.01 5.63 9.15 9.44 10.23	9.0 5.0 9.0 9.0 10.0 7.0	4.05 4.81 8.16 8.25 9.21	8.0 4.0 4.0 8.0 8.0 9.0 6.0	1.46 0.15 1.14 2.76 7.62 2.21 10.36	1.46 \$5.47 5.92 2.76 7.62 2.21 10.36	1.5 5.0 5.0 3.0 7.0 2.0 10.0	411 413 428 411 400 400 427
	0.08	3 2.3	2 2.4	2.40	3.89	5.54	1.79	11.22	9.0	9.43	8.0	4.38	4.38	4.0	394
0.37	7 0.08	30.7	0 T.2	1 T.2	4 2.85 4 5.14 0 4.85	2.01	0.68		8.0	7.15	8.0 7.0 7.0	3.79 2.13 6.37	3.79 2.13 6.37	3.0 2.0 6.0	387
2.0	5 0.03 • 1.28 • 0.06	3 1.6 3 1.9 5 1.5	1 3.6 5 3.2 6 1.6	9 4.I 3 3.2 2 I.6	0 0.63 8 4.37 4 3.55 6 3.68	6.04	0.52	6.65	7.0	6.13 0 8.55	7.0	3.64	6.84 9.88 3.64 6.35	6.0 10.0 4.0 6.0	432 431
0.1	5 1.5	= 20	220	0 4 7	0 2.68	- 65	2.42	10.75		- 00			6.8 <sub>4</sub> 8.98	6.0	
1.3	00.0	6 26		0 4 7	0 5.70	TO	0.6						7.67 11.64	8.0	

‡ 0.33 as sulphate, 4.99 as carbonate.

-	TERROR CONTROL OF THE PROPERTY		
Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
4141 4281 4142	Special.  The Mapes Formula and Peruvian Guano	LitchfieldGilead	\$26.46 21.04 32.37
3888 3936 3887 4477 3937 4288 3903 4041 4283 3938 3958 3940 3939	Co., New York City.  Average Soil Complete Manure. Complete Manure "A" Brand. Corn Manure. Dissolved Bone. Economical Potato Manure. Fruit and Vine Manure. Potato Manure. Seeding Down Manure. Tobacco Manure, Wrapper Brand. Tobacco Starter Improved. Top Dresser Improved, Half Strength. Top Dresser Improved, Full Strength. Vegetable Manure for Light Soils.	Southington Hawleyville. Suffield. Forestville Windsor Windsor Locks. Meriden Forestville	27.81 21.35 22.55 25.01 26.39 23.75 27.44 32.80 44.41 25.95 24.15 45.85 33.30
4144 4286 4148 4147 4291 3941 4284 4143† 4345† 4285 4145 3974 4290 4146	The National Fertilizer Co., New York City. Ammoniated Bone Phosphate.	Willimantic. South Manchester. Silver Lane. Broad Brook. Broad Brook. Willimantic. South Manchester. Willimantic. South Manchester. Warehouse Point. South Manchester. Wallingford. Silver Lane.	14.86 25.02 24.87 24.87 32.43 22.37 19.84 21.22 37.91 38.31 20.60 26.33 28.22 16.98
4158 3975 3959 4156	New England Fertilizer Co., Boston, Mass. Corn and Grain Fertilizer Corn Phosphate. H. G. Potato Fertilizer Perfect Tobacco Grower Potato Fertilizer Potato Grower with 10% Potash Superphosphate.	Jnionville Plantsville Blastonbury Rockville	15.53 17.09 22.84 27.89 17.17 22.49 21.50

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 76. † See notes, pages 74 and 76.

## ANALYSES AND VALUATIONS-Continued.

		- OCE	N.				PHOSPE	IORIC A		I	POTASH.				
	NI	TROGE	Tot Nitro			,	ole.	Tot	al.	So-ca "Avail	lled able"	Fou	nd.		
As Nitrates.	As Ammonia.	Organic.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Water-soluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Citrate-insoluble	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	As Muriate.	Total.	Guaranteed.	Station No.
	1.88 0.80 5.00		1.82	3.50 1.64 5.00	5.85	2.23 2.91 2.79	0.77 1.32 0.73	9.10 10.08 9.47		8.33 8.76 8.74	7·5 8.0 7·5	7.93 7.93 0.72	7.93 7.93 7.20	8.0 8.0 7.5	414: 428: 414:
1.06 1.47 1.64 1.99 2.74 1.85 2.81	0.98 1.00 0.02 0.10 2.00 3.34	0.82 0.91 2.30 1.02 0.69 0.89 0.39 2.77	2.88 2.84 2.50 3.64 2.00 3.88 3.13 6.54 4.71 5.07	2.47 2.47 2.06 3.29 1.65 3.71 2.47 6.18 4.12 4.94 9.88	0.80 3.56 0.34 0.41 1.34 0.10 0.12 0.34 0.56	4.97 5.68 6.97	2.70	12.27 10.90 19.61 6.90 7.68 9.53 19.19 5.49 9.03 5.40 7.78		10.12 8.20 17.96 5.31 6.09 8.31 12.86 4.33 8.17 4.21 7.14	8.0	0.72 2.87 6.14  0.88 0.74 0.94 11.76 1.20 0.74 0.74 0.92 0.80	6.46 2.87 6.14  9.02 11.34 7.01 11.76 ‡11.69 1.99 3.52 4.54 6.10	5.0 2.5 6.0  8.0 10.0 6.0 10.5 1.0 2.0 4.0 6.0	388; 393; 447; 393; 428; 390; 404; 428; 393; 395; 394; 393;
1.92 1.92 1.18 1.18 1.18 1.18 1.18 1.18 1.18 1.1	1.52 1.50 1.00 0.26 0.72 3.54 3.55 3.0.66 1.18	0.46 1.41 1.03 1.62 3.77 0.95 1.59 1.61 1.53 1.68 0.71 0.91 3.50 3.72 2.21	4.08 3.52 3.42 4.95 2.65 2.80 3.14 7.58 7.68 2.20 2.28 4.60 4.64	3.29 4.94 2.47 2.88 3.29 8.23 8.23 2.47 2.06 4.53 4.53	4.75	2.31 2.05 3.99 2.86 2.71 2.24 3.29 3.64 4.62 3.80 2.04 2.58 3.97 3.95 2.12	0.49 1.07 0.96 1.20 3.19 0.38 1.16 0.93 0.64 0.64 0.87 0.91 0.78 0.87	9.53 6.24 6.91 7.80 6.83 8.19 7.29 10.04 9.30 4.30 5.16	7.0 7.0 8.0 8.0 9.0 4.0	8.33 3.05 6.53 6.64 5.90 7.55 6.65 9.17 8.39 3.69 4.38	6.0 6.0 7.0 7.0 8.0 8.0 3.0 3.0	2.03 5.44 6.34 1.95 0.44 9.06 4.41 5.73 6.72 7.60 6.03 6.10 0.76 4.12	5.91	2.0 5.0 6.0 5.0 8.0 10.0 4.0 6.0 8.0 6.0 5.5 5.5 3.0	414 428 414 414 429 394 428 411 434 428 414 397 429 414
.2	0.40 0.44 0.05 0.40 0.28 0.10	1.61 0.89 2.01 1.63 1.44 1.23 1.56	1.80 2.45 3.92 1.84 2.46	1.64 2.46 4.10 1.64 2.46	4.18 6.43 3.46 1.71 4.70 4.75	2.05 5.63 4.10 3.07 1.64	-	9.40 10.55 6.58 8.47	9.0 9.0 5.0 8.0 7.0	8.48 9.09 5.81 7.77 6.39	8.0 8.0 4.0 7.0 6.0	2.43 3.53 6.70 1.08 4.08 9.79 3.71	3.53 6.70 9.06 4.08 9.79	2.0 3.0 6.0 6.0 4.0 10.0 4.0	397 415 415 397 395 415 397

\$ 0.88 as sulphate, 9.61 as carbonate. \$ 0.75 as sulphate, 5.61 as carbonate. ¶ 1.16 as sulphate, 3.15 as carbonate.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
4562 4563 4564 4561	Sampled by Station Agent: Niantic Menhaden Oil and Guano Co. South Lyme, Conn. Bone, Fish and Potash. Corn and Grain Fertilizer. H. G. Tobacco Fertilizer. Potato and Vegetable Manure.	Saybrook	\$17.52 18.01 25.83 21.62
4159 4204 4295 4294* 4160 4296	Olds & Whipple, Hartford, Conn. Complete Corn and Potato Fertilizer. Complete Tobacco Fertilizer Fish and Potash. Grass Fertilizer, Top Dressing. H. G. Potato Fertilizer. Special Phosphate	Weatogue. Hartford. Hartford. Windsorville	26.17 30.29 20.35 23.00 29.08 24.87
4161 3873 4297	Parmenter & Polsey Fertilizer Co., Boston, Mass.  Grain Grower	Plantsville. Plantsville. Thomaston.	13.32 20.70 23.47
4165	Platco Market Garden Phosphate	New Haven	23.17
4162 3820 4346* 3821* 4163	The Rogers & Hubbard Co., Middletown, Conn.  "Bone Base" All Soils All Crops Phosphate "Bone Base" Complete Phosphate "Bone Base" Oats and Top Dressing "Bone Base" Oats and Top Dressing "Bone Base" New Market Garden Phos-	Wallingford	26.49 18.61 42.92 41.46
4164 3822	phate "Bone Base" Potato Phosphate "Bone Base" Soluble Corn and General	East HamptonGlastonbury	22.75 20.90
3823	"Bone Base" Seeding Down and Fruit Fer-	Wallingford	22.51
4304 4305* 4306	tilizer. "Bone Base" Soluble Potato Manure "Bone Base" Soluble Tobacco Manure Tobacco Special.	Wallingford	30.86 32.00 35.58 27.26
3942	The Rogers Mfg. Co., Rockfall, Conn. All Round Fertilizer	South Manchester	15.89

<sup>\*</sup> See note, page 74.

#### ANALYSES AND VALUATIONS—Continued.

_		TROGE	N.				PHOSPI	ORIC A	CID.			I			
	NI	ROGA	Tot	tal gen.		0.	ole.	Tot	al.	So-ca "Availa	lled able"	Fou	nd.		
As Nitrates.	As Ammonia.	Organic.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Water-soluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Citrate-insoluble	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	As Muriate.	Total.	Guaranteed.	Station No.
1.10	T 00	1.37 1.48 1.63 1.27	2.74 3.58	2.46 2.46 3.30 2.50	1.49	3.64 4.54 2.23 1.71	1.32 1.22 0.64 0.36	7.27 7.25 8.75 7.77	6.0 6.0 8.0 8.0	5.95 6.03 8.11 7.41	5.0 5.0 7.0 7.0	3.58 3.27 0.70 4.31	3.58 3.27 †5.84 6.60	3.0 3.0 6.0 6.0	4562 4563 4564 4561
0.93 0.55 3.21	0.10	2.05 3.86 2.25 0.53 2.26 1.98	2.84 3.74 3.51	4.50 2.50 3.30 3.30	0.24 2.30 0.10	6.96 3.67 4.62 4.86 5.73 4.39	2.64 0.18 1.57 2.97 2.67 3.08	11.09 4.09 8.49 7.93 9.02 8.43	6.0 3.0 6.0 7.0 6.0	8.45 3.67 6.92 4.96 6.35 5.35	6.0 3.0 5.0 6.0 6.0 4.0	7.01 0.64 4.03 0.12 7.50 0.60	7.01 §5.82 4.03 5.19 11.43 3.94	6.0 5.5 3.0 6.0 10.0 3.0	4159 4204 4295 4294 4160 4296
	0.10	1.28 1.54 1.32	2.42		3·74 4·84 4·85	3.60 4.45 1.53	0.72 1.61 0.52	8.06 10.90 6.90	9.0 9.0 7.0	7·34 9·29 6·38	7.0 8.0 6.0	2.24 4.03 10.20	2 24 4.03 10.20	2.0 4.0 10.0	4161 3873 4297
1.59		1.11	2.70	2.47	7.63	1.96	0.29	9.88	9.0	9.59	8.0	6.29	6.29	6.0	4165
7.75	0.04	I.14 I.37 I.15 0.89	1.78 8.95	1.50 8.50	3.94 5.18 0.12 0.05	4.84 3.02 6.68 7.11	1.77 1.66 1.32 1.91	10.55 9.86 8.12 9.07	9.0 8.0 8.0 8.0	8.78 8.20 6.80 7.16	8.0 7.0 4.5 4.5	7.28 5.22 8.37 8.42	7.28 5.22 8.37 8.42	7.0 5.0 8.0 8.0	4162 3820 4346 3821
0.96	100000	I.12 I.21	2.18	2.00	2.83 6.69	4.28 3.08	1.14 0.78	8.25 10.55	7.0 10.0	7.11 9.77	6.0 9.0	10.56 5.28	10.56 5.28	10.0	4163 4164
1.16	0.10	1.50	2.76	2.50	1.98	4.19	1.51	7.68	8.0	6.17	6.0	8.46	8.46	8.0	3822
2.14	0.20	2.34 2.35 2.71 4.16	5.18	5.00	0.14 1.54 1.21 0.24	9.09 6.57 6.96 4.21	2.39	16.89 10.50 10.87 5.56	10.0	9.23 8.11 8.17 4.45	6.5 7.0 7.0 3.0	12.76 1.40 2.27 0.76	12.76 6.16 10.33 5.83	12.0 5.0 10.0 5.0	3823 4304 4304 4306
٠.	0.60	1.16	1.76	1.60	3.19	4.87	1.61	9.67	10.0	8.06	8.0	2.47	2.47	2.0	3942

‡ Five other samples showed from 4.78 to 4.80 nitrogen. † 5.14 per cent. as sulphate. § 0.32 as sulphate, 4.86 as carbonate.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling,	Valuation per ton.
3889* 4349* 4186* 4347* 4181 4182 4185 4184* 4348* 4187 4183	H. G. Soluble Tobacco and Potato Manure H. G. Tobacco Grower. H. G. Tobacco Grower, Vegetable and Car- bonate Formula.	Somerville Cromwell Meriden Rockfall Wapping Glastonbury West Hartford East Haddam	\$21.91 22.23 26.61 28.15 36.45 34.72 35.73 29.87 30.80 24.99
4192 4189 4307 4188 4191 4190	F. S. Royster Guano Co., Baltimore, Md. Champion Crop Compound. Gold Seal Potato and Cabbage Special. H. G. Tobacco Manure. Ideal Tobacco Guano. Special Corn and Tomato Guano. Universal Truck Fertilizer.	Ellington	22.74 32.75 27.11
3943 4311 4120 4309 4315 4314 4308 4312 4313 4316 4310	Corn Superphosphate. Formula A. Formula B. Kelsey's Bone, Fish and Potash. Potato Manure	Leonards Bridge  Leonards Bridge  Silver Lane  Shelton  Shelton  Glastonbury  Meriden  Plainville  Torrington	18.46 26.94 30.53 28.13 18.93 24.28 28.24 20.09 19.22 24.28 29.21
4317 3824† 4318† 3825	The C. M. Shay Fertilizer Co., Groton, Conn.  Bone Base Grass and Lawn. Complete Fertilizer Market Garden Potato Manure.	Groton	30.28 18.94 27.66 24.66

<sup>\*</sup> See note, p. 74.

## † See note, p. 76.

## ANALYSES AND VALUATIONS-Continued.

						F	HOSPH	ORIC A	CID.			Pe	OTASH.	201	
	N	TROGI	Tot	al		.	ole.	Tot	al.	So-call		Four	id.		
As Nitrates.	As Ammonia.	Organic.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Water-soluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Citrate-insoluble	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	As Muriate.	Total.	Guaranteed.	Station No.
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1.53 1.44 1.27 1.81 1.66 1.60	0.48 0.40 0.08  0.12 0.12	1.64 2.00 2.76 3.30 2.36	2.81 3.75 3.31 6.89 3.04 5.08 4.08	2.25 3.60 3.60 6.30 3.00 5.00 3.50 3.50	3.24 2.10 2.66 4.46 1.82 0.05 0.96 1.49 1.14 0.38	4.22 5.21 5.17 6.15 5.69 12.16 5.06 5.27 7.13 2.85	3.90 3.30 2.09 1.45 7.24 2.55 3.47	11.22 11.21 11.13 12.70 8.96 19.45 8.57 10.23 11.35 5.46	10.0 8.0 8.0 9.0 16.0 7.0 9.0	7.31 7.83 10.61 7.51 12.21 6.02	8.0 8.0 6.0 6.0 7.0 7.0 7.0 3.0	5.69 5.05 6.61 8.09 7.19 12.95 1.20 0.88 1.16 0.84	5.69 5.05 6.61 8.09 7.19 12.95 11.29 8.22 8.67 5.49	5.0 5.0 7.0 7.5 12.5 10.5 8.8 8.8 5.0	3889 4349 4180 4347 4181 4181 4184 4348 4348 4187
		4.07	5.25	5.00	0.72	4.11	1.69	6.52	4.0	4.83	3.0	0.84	§6.49	5.0	418
0.31	0.68 2.04 1.30 0.88	0.73 1.12 2.74 2.77 0.84 1.38	1.80 4.78 4.38 1.72	1.65 4.94 4.11 1.65	5.52 6.62 4.32 3.12 4.66 5.88	3.48 2.41 1.79 1.60 3.24 2.84	0.77 0.56 0.41 0.27 0.79 0.75	9.77 9.59 6.52 4.99 8.69 9.47	5.5 4.5 7.5	9.03 6.11 4.72 7.90	8.0 8.0 5.0 4.0 7.0 8.0	4.51 10.03 1.24 0.90 5.33 6.73	4.51 10.03 10.10 6.98 5.33 6.73	4.0 10.0 10.0 6.0 5.0 7.0	419 418 430 418 419 419
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2.2	9 0.10	1.66	2.3	23.3	0 0.62 7 2.06 0 6.73 0 3.75	3.52	3.22		8.0	5.58		10.57 5.13 10.99 7.18		10.0 5.0 10.0 7.0	431 382 431 382

§ 0.85 as sulphate, 4.80 as carbonate.

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
3978 4121 3979	Sampled by Station Agent:  M. L. Shoemaker & Co., Philadelphia, Pa "Swift-Sure" Guano for Truck, Corn and Onions "Swift-Sure" Superphosphate for Potatoes "Swift-Sure" Superphosphate for Tobacca and General Use.	d East Haven	\$21.69 27.05
4329 4330	Tanner & Wilcox, Winsted, Conn. Reliable Grass and Corn Phosphate Reliable Potato and Garden Phosphate	Winsted	-0.45
3826 4331 3982 3827 3981 4332 3828	Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., New York City.  General Crop Grower Indian Brand for Tobacco National Corn, Grain and Grass Top Dressing Owl Brand Potato and Truck Fertilizer Star Brand Potato and Vegetable Compound Tobacco and Onion Special XXX Fish and Potash	Guilford East Hartford Hartford Guilford	15.10 24.42 26.55  26.19
4338 3983 3890 4336 4334 4337 4335 4339 4333 4340	Wilcox Fertilizer Co., Mystic, Conn. Complete Bone Superphosphate. Corn Special. Fish and Potash. 4-8-10 Fertilizer Grass Fertilizer H. G. Fish and Potash H. G. Tobacco Special. Potato Fertilizer Potato, Onion and Vegetable Fertilizer. Special Superphosphate.	Norwich. Enfield. Norwich. Ellington.	19.23 21.24 18.51 28.29 26.60 24.81 27.35 18.94 26.44 15.82
3984	S. D. Woodruff & Sons, Orange, Conn. Home Mixture	Orange	23.67
4153 4154	Deliasinic Tobacco Special with Carbonate	Melrose:—Joseph Rostek Melrose:—Joseph Rostek	

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Station No.	Guaranteed.	Total.	As Muriate.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Citrate-insoluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Water-soluble.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Organic.	As Ammonia.	As Nitrates.
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397 412	5.0 7.0	5.97 6.94	5.97 6.94	8.0	10.38		11.39	1.01	3.66 4.03	6.72 7·39	1.65	2.06	1.21		.85
397	4.5	5.35	0.76	9.0	11.64		12.28	0.64	3.19	8.45	2.88	2.90	2.10		
432 433	7.5 9.0	8.05 9.07	8.05 9.07	8.0	9.07 9.77	9.3	12.15 11.69	3.08 1.92	7.00 4.78	2.07 4·99	4.50	4.92 3.72	2.00 2.12	т 20	=0
382 433	5.0 5.0	4.90 5.73	4.90 1.01	8.0	8.85 4.24	9.0 5.0	9.89 5.05	1.04 0.81	4·74 1.34	4.II 2.90	0.82 4.12	0.92	0.39	0.42 1.70	,11
398 382	7.0 10.0	8.33 10.42	8.33 10.42	8.0 8.0	8.24 9.03	9.0	9.42 10.21	1.18	2.65 3.96	5·59 5·07	3.29 1.65	3.46 1.80	1.41	2.05 1.10	
398 433 382	10.0 5.0 2.0	10.66 5.13 2.44	10.66 0.48 2.44	6.0 8.0 8.0	6.41 8.83 8.48	7.0 9.0 9.0	7.54 9.98 10.09	1.13 1.15 1.61	2.65 2.96 6.76	5.87	3.29 3.29 1.65	3.61	1.23 1.89 1.49	2.26 1.72	
433 398 433 433 433 433 433 433	3.0 5.0 3.0 10.0 5.0 7.0 5.0 7.0	3.47 5.42 4.05 9.49 5.66 5.60 8.38 5.43 7.23 2.72	3.47 5.42 4.05 6.78 3.35 3.07 0.74 5.43 6.02 2.72	8.0 8.0 5.0 8.0 6.0 6.0 6.0 8.0	7.25 8.49	9.0 9.0 6.0 9.0 7.0 7.0 7.0 9.0 9.0	10.89 9.35 7.33 9.66 7.80 7.64 6.12 7.42 9.30 9.90	1.65 0.68 1.06 0.83 0.67 0.45 0.12 0.17 0.81	3.97 1.59 3.81 2.52 2.25 2.48 5.86 1.55 3.27 1.96	5.27 7.08 2.46 6.31 4.88 4.71 0.14 5.70 5.22 7.44	2.47 3.29 4.12 3.30 3.30 2.05 3.30	2.56 2.63 3.52 4.39 3.58 3.66 2.27 3.59	0.85 0.91 1.51 0.86 1.10 2.68 3.62 1.11 1.56	0.08 1.12 1.40 0.96 0.90 0.04 0.02 1.00	2.33  1.14
39	8.0	5.26	5.26		8.69	8.0	11.80	3.11	5.89	2.80	3.30	2.99	1.85	0.02	1.12
41	3.0	4.66				6.0	7.01				2.50	2.58			
41	5.5	5.98					4.67				4.50	1000000			

Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Place of Sampling.	Valuation per ton.
	Sampled by Purchasers and others:		_
3865	Olds & Whipple Special Mixture	Silver Lane:-Martin Rob-	
1091	Rogers' H. G. Vegetable and Carbonate	erts	\$30.
1092	Tobacco Fertilizer	North Granby: P I Rogers	30.0
1030	Dressing	North Granby: -P. I. Rogers	36.
049	Sanderson's Special. Sanderson's Flight's 4-6-10. Shay's 3-8-6.	Shelton:—O. G. Beard Highwood:—S. A. Flight Manchester:—C. R. Burr &	20
210	Shay's 4-10-10	Co	
090	Shay's 4-10-10	Manchester:—C. R. Burr &	
357*	Shay's 4-10-10	Manchester:—C. R. Burr &	27.
271	Apothecaries Hall Special Formula	Co E D Toller	27.
298	Williams & Clark's Great Planet Manure	Plainville:—Peck Bros	23.
587	Royal Worcester Corn and Grain Fertilizer	Auburn, Mass .: - Worces-	23.
588	Royal Worcester Potato Fertilizer	ter Rendering Co Auburn, Mass.:—Worces-	22.
351	Lister's Special Grass Mixture	ter Rendering Co Newark, N. J.:—Lister's	30.
		Agr. Chemical Works	25.
355	Lister's Special 10% Potato Fertilizer	Newark, N. J.:—Lister's Agr. Chemical Works	22.;
350	Lister's Standard Pure Bone Superphos-	Newark, N. J.:—Lister's	22.
	phate of Lime	Agr. Chemical Works	20.

<sup>\*</sup> Sampled by Station Agent.

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Station No.	Guaranteed.	Total.	As Muriate.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Citrate-insoluble.	Citrate-soluble.	Water-soluble.	Guaranteed.	Found.	Organic.	As Ammonia.	As Nitrates.
386		†6.21	0.48		2.48		3.06	0.58	2.40	0.08		4.86	4.38	0.08	-
409	5.5	‡4.90	0.39	3.0	4.49	4.0	4.86	0.37	4.20	0.29	5.00	5.16	4.28		
409 403 404	7.5 8.0 10.0	6.76 8.55 10.32	6.76 8.55 10.32	7.0 8.0	7.80 8.61 7.70	9.0	9.59 10.04 8.19	1.79 1.43 0.49	6.46 4.29 2.88	4.32	4.50	6.92 4.06 3.00	2.00	0.10 0.10 0.04	1.82
421	6.0	9.87				8.0	7.29				2.47	2.20			1.49
421	10.0	11.18				10.0	9.79				3.30	2.98			
409	10.0	10.06	10.06		7.04	10.0	8.70	1.66	3.92	3.12	3.30	3.29	3.03	1	0.16
427	10.0 	10.82 8.13 7.59	10.82 8.13 7.59	8.0	7.14 9.18 8.22	10.0	8.85 11.97 9.42	1.71 2.79 1.20	4.25 3.79 3.37	2.89	3.30	3.06	2.81	0.10	0.15
458	3.0	3.42	3.42	9.0	9.35	8.0	20.47	11.12		4.46	THE LAND		1.91		
458	7.0	8.60	8.60	8.0	10.38	9.0	11.26		5.56	4.82			2.80	1803	
435	10.0	10.87	10.87	10.0	9.93	11.0	10.49		2.29	7.64			1.81	1	
438	10.0	10.21	10.21	8.0	7.42	9.0	8.89	1.47	4.04	3.38			1.68	1000	
43	2.0	2.31	2.31	9.0	9.53	10.0	10.94			6.00					

<sup>† 0.37</sup> as sulphate, 5.36 as carbonate.

<sup>‡ 0.48</sup> as sulphate, 4.03 as carbonate.

### HOME MIXTURES-FORMULAS.

			3 17				F	ormul	a.				
Station No.	Made by or for	Nitrate of Soda.	Sulphate of Ammonia,	Dried Blood.	Dried Fish.	Tankage.	Ground Bone,	Cotton Seed Meal.	Acid Phosphate.	Muriate of Potash.	Sulphate of Potash.	Kainit.	Carbonate of Lime.
4301	E. B. Clark Seed			3	1		3.						_
4031	Co., Milford H. E. Clark, Mid- dlebury, Grass	250			500				850	400			• • •
3948	Mixture Conn. School for Boys, Meriden,			300			900				400		• • •
3949	Grass	500				500			400	250		350	
4354	Vegetable H. B. Pomeroy,	100				5000			18.88				
3973	Rockville Wm. J. Reeves, Windsorville, To-				.,.	•			1200	400			
1259	L. S. White, Collinsville, Trees,							1000	300		300		250
3671	Potatoes, etc †S. D. Wicks, Pom-												
8672	fret †S. D. Wicks, Pom-			•			•	••••					
673	fret												

<sup>\*</sup> Substituted by error for sulphate of potash.

## Home Mixtures.

In the above tables are the analyses of ten home mixtures of chemicals with the formulas by which they were made. These analyses do not call for special comment.

HOME MIXTURES-ANALYSES

			HOM	15 111111						
		Nitrog	EN.		PE	IOSPHORIC	ACID.			
Station No.	In Nitrates.	In Ammonia.	Organic.	Total.	Water-Soluble.	Citrate-Soluble.	Citrate-Insoluble	Total.	Potash.	Cost per ton.
4301	2.12	0.05	1.92	4.09	6.34	2.44	0.74	9.52	6.85	\$32.42
4031	2.90	0.04	2.11	5.05	0.29	6.39	4.45	11.13	*11.59	40.00
3948	3.63		1.41	5.04	2.24	3.52	2.15	7.91	10.05	
3949	0.85		1.91	2.76	4.66	5.31	2.70	12.67	†8.44	
4354	2.98		0.08	3.06	4.32	5.32	0.81	10.45	10.47	29.00
3973	1.07	0.04	3.05	4.16	1.78	1.07	0.43	3.28	‡6.21	40.00
4259	5.54	2.30	0.38	8.22	6.79	1.61	0.18	8.58	0.25	36.11
3671				2.37	,,,,			10.46	11.53	3
3672				3.28				10.40	9.5	
3673				3.32				9.95	10.46	5
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<sup>\* 0.48</sup> as muriate, II.II as sulphate.

## VI. MISCELLANEOUS FERTILIZERS, LIME, ASHES, ETC.

#### SHEEP MANURE.

4195. Pulverized Sheep Manure, sold by American Agricultural Chemical Co., New York; from stock of C. A. Templeton, Waterbury.

<sup>†</sup> Mixed in spring of 1913.

<sup>† 7.34</sup> as muriate, 1.10 as sulphate.

<sup>‡ 0.20</sup> as muriate, 6.01 as sulphate.

4292. "Sheep's Head" Pulverized Sheep Manure, sold by Natural Guano Co., Aurora, Ill.; from stock of F. S. Platt Co.,

4293. Wizard Brand Manure, sold by Pulverized Manure Co., Chicago; from stock of F. S. Platt Co., New Haven.

3803. Sheep and Goat Manure, sampled from stock of Sanderson Fertilizer and Chemical Co., New Haven.

	4195	4292	4293	3803
Nitrogen inorganic	0.12	0.28	0.10	0.16
" organic	2.08	2.22	2.14	1.38
" total, found	2.20	2.50	2.24	I.54
" guaranteed	2.06	2.25	1.80	1.25
Phosphoric acid, water-soluble	0.42	1.27	0.43	0.10
" citrate-soluble	1.09	0.56	1.35	0.82
" citrate-insoluble.	0.19	0.14	0.14	0.10
" total, found	1.70	1.97	1.92	1.02
" " guaranteed	1.25	1.25	1.00	1.00
	4.39	2.49	2.75	4.19
" guaranteed	1.00	1.50	I.00	3.50
Chlorine	1.05	0.45	0.18	1.82
Cost per ton\$3	8.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
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This material, being dry, having little odor while dry, and few if any weed seeds, has uses in the greenhouse and on our small city lawns. The question is often asked, how the fertilizing value of this manure compares with that of horse manure.

These various dry manures are not at all constant in composition. The high content of potash in two of them is very likely due to an addition of some potash salt. The statement below is, however, accurate enough for a rough comparison and gives the average amounts of nitrogen, phosphoric acid and potash in II samples of sheep manure analyzed within the last three years, and also the composition of horse manure of average quality as it is shipped from New York City stables.

	Sheep Manure.	N. Y. Horse Manure.
Water Organic and volatile matters Mineral matter.	10.16 71.32 18.52	73.38 18.33 8.29
Miller	100.00	100.00
Nitrogen  Phosphoric acid  Potash	2.16 1.47 2.78	0.69 0.67 0.63

At present, New York horse manure costs, in New Haven, about \$2.90 per ton delivered, and sheep manure \$30.00. For \$30 there can be bought the following quantities of plant food in these two fertilizer-amendments:

	In Sheep Manure.	In Horse Manure.
Organic matter (humus formers)	1426	3792
Nitrogen	43	142
Phosphoric acid	29	138
Potash	56	130

Of course, these figures will be somewhat different in the case of particular lots but will not alter the facts that for general farm use sheep manure could not probably be profitably used at present even if its present price were cut by half.

Two samples of dried manure sent for analysis were merely mailed samples sent by the manufacturer and therefore could not be regarded as representative of any thing on sale within the State.

One was 4688, Excelsior Pulverized Sheep Manure, the other, 4689, Excelsior Hog Manure, both made by A. H. Case & Co., East Buffalo, N. Y.

#### ANALYSES.

	4688	4689
Nitrogen	2.04	2.17
Phosphoric acid	1.46	2.49
Potash	0.51	1.17

#### OTHER DRIED MANURES.

**3005.** Sent by A. A. Young, Jewett City, is stated to be dried stable manure.

**3293.** Sent by Elm City Nursery Co., New Haven. It is stated to be horse manure, turned daily for two weeks and the thermometer never allowed to rise above 110° F. This was done under cover.

#### ANALYSES.

	3005	3293
Water		8.15
Organic and volatile	60.64	42.09
Mineral matter	26.08	49.76
	100.00	100.00
Nitrogen	2.39	1 52
Phosphoric acid	2.60	1.53
Potash		

Obviously 3293 contains a large amount of soil.

#### ANALYSES OF MUCK AND LEAF MOLD.

The following analyses were made on request of individuals but are not of much public interest or value.

**3659.** Swamp muck sent by J. M. Jennings, Gale's Ferry. "I have about ten acres of this land and want to find out if it will pay me to clear it up."

**4601.** Muck dried and pulverized. "Would like report on its fertilizing value." Sent by C. A. Page, Harwinton.

**3364.** Sent by E. V. Austin, N. Woodstock. Described as "humus taken out of a ditch" It is stated to be at least 16 feet deep.

3829. "Leaf Mold" sent by E. M. Tice, Cheshire.

**3295.** "Muck" sent by A. P. Gimlee, Abington. Ten acres covered with it, varying in depth from a few inches to 3 feet. This is underlaid by fine sand to a depth of at least 8 feet.

3765. "Humus" from A. E. Hammer, Branford.

4060. "Muck" from S. H. Street, New Haven.

4565. "Boston Humus," stated to be from a large deposit in the bottom of a drained lake. Sampled and sent by Everard Thompson, New Haven.

#### ANALYSES.

Water Organic matter Mineral matter		32.75	6.35		3295 18.16 30.56 51.28	 	50.18
	100.00	100.00	100.00		100.00	 	100.00
Nitrogen	. 0.34	1.11		1.28	1.32	0.72	1.70
Phosphoric acid	1			0.01		 	none
Potash Insoluble in acid				0.13		 	
	d		47.03			 	

These samples show the usual range of composition. They consist of the residue left from the decay under water or in water-soaked condition, of a great variety of vegetable matter, leaves, grass, trees, etc.

They never contain more than a fraction of one per cent. of either phosphoric acid or potash. The amount of nitrogen—in dried peat—is often considerable, sometimes 3 per cent. or more, but it is of very little present agricultural value because it is in compounds which are most resistant to decay hence least valuable to the plant. The soluble nitrogen has long since been dissolved in water and carried off from the peat. The less destructible part remains.

Real peat; i. e., those deposits which consist largely of vegetable matter unmixed with much sand, are of very considerable value, when sun-dried, as absorbents in stables. There is scarcely any other material which will absorb and hold as much water as peat, proportionally to its weight. Two of these samples, 4601 and 4565, have more than fifty per cent. of this true "humus" in their dry matter and should make good absorbents.

Muck which is rich in vegetable matter also has value as an amendment on light sandy soils by supplying "humus" which will increase the water-holding capacity of the soil.

Only muck with high percentages of vegetable matter in them will pay for handling and they should be sun-dried as far as possible before hauling.

#### APPLE POMACE.

3006. Sent by J. M. White, Bristol, Conn. It had stood in a pile for five years or more, and represented a lot of several car loads. It contained 79.76 per cent. of water, 18.62 per cent. of vegetable matter, with 0.56 per cent. of nitrogen, and 1.62 per cent. of mineral matter.

When dry it would contain about 92 per cent. of vegetable matter. It had a decided acid reaction. Its fertilizing value is very small and, considering that three quarters of its weight is water and that it would need to be well limed before putting on the land, it is not easy to see any economy in using it.

#### MISCELLANEOUS WASTES.

3985. Unhulled cotton seed sent by The Cauto Tree Cotton Co., Meriden, contained 3.48 per cent. of nitrogen.

4637. Sample of 10 tons of Tobacco Stems sent by E. B. Hurlburt, Glastonbury, contained 7.06 per cent. of potash.

3294. Leather waste, sent by the H. B. Ives Co., New Haven, contained 2.93 per cent. of nitrogen of no farm value.

3972. Ground leather and planing chips used in tumbling barrels with nickel plated wheel spokes, sent by William H. Hull, Essex, contained 4 per cent. of nitrogen, worthless as a fertilizer.

4080. A sample of ground kelp, sent by J. W. Musselman of the Pacific Kelp Mulch Co., Los Angeles, Cal.

It is claimed to be made of kelp, harvested while alive, dried by artificial heat and then "blended" to have a properly balanced ration. The sample contained:

Water											8.20
Organic	matter										51.25
Mineral	matte	۲.	 								40.55
											100.00

Nitrogen 2.71, phosphoric acid 2.43, and potash 9.17 per cent.

4352. A sample of a pond deposit stated to be brought down by a river, sent by W. J. Vessey, Putnam, contained 0.30 per cent. nitrogen, 0.07 of phosphoric acid and 0.02 of potash.

3375. An "iron sand" sent by Amanda Allen, Groton, with the statement that when spread on a cranberry bog it seemed to produce a good yield. More than half of this material was coarse stone of no value. The fine sand contained only 0.15 per cent.

of phosphoric acid and 0.11 of potash soluble in strong acid. No
of phosphoric acid and the can be ascribed to its value as a
favorable action which it had can be ascribed to its value as a

4576. A sample of soft rock, sent by W. F. Buckland, Weatogue, with inquiry as to its value. It contained no potash, and about 0.12 per cent. of nitrogen and the same per cent. of phosphoric acid Worthless.

# BURNED AND SLAKED LIME AND GROUND LIMESTONE. BURNED LIME.

3780. A burned and slaked lime nearly free from magnesia. 3779. A burned and slaked magnesian lime. 3778. A burned and air-slaked lime nearly free from magnesia. 3777. A burned and air-slaked lime containing magnesia. These four were from stock used in experiments at Mt. Carmel Farm.

4489. Lime made by Cheshire Lime Co., Farnham, Mass. Sampled from stock of C. B. Sikes, Jr., Ellington.

#### GROUND LIMESTONE.

4665. From the quarry and mill of W. F. Coe & Son, Northford. 3740. Made by Stearns Lime Co., Danbury. Sent by P. J. Rogers, North Granby.

3931 and 3932. Made by Stearns Lime Co., Danbury. Sampled and sent by G. B. Treadwell, superintendent of Gilbert Farm.

3009 and 3010 were samples sent by W. F. Tomlinson, Danbury, for determination of insoluble matter. The samples contained 3.80 and 1.07 per cent., respectively, and only traces of magnesia.

4686 and 4687. Sent by H. P. Morgan, South Norwalk, contained, respectively, 12.14 and 0.84 per cent. of insoluble matter.

3810. Made by Grangers Marble and Lime Co., Danbury. Sent by W. H. Lee, Orange.

3665. Made by Edison Portland Cement Co., Stewartsville, N. J. Sold by F. J. Pease, Thompsonville. Sampled and sent by William Miller, Enfield.

3376. Limestone from Salisbury. Sampled and sent by William B. Rand, Salisbury. 4593. Sampled and sent by W. D. Honess, Rocky Hill. 4681. Sampled and sent by H. S. Pomeroy, Suffield, contained 19.60 per cent. of insoluble matter. 4088. Sampled and sent by E. L. Peabody, Lakeville.

The samples of burned and slaked lime show the usual range of composition. 3780 has about 95 per cent. of pure water-slaked lime (calcium hydrate), and 3779 has about the same amount of the mixed hydrates of lime and magnesia. The other three are partly "air-slaked"; i. e., they are mixtures of hydrate and carbonate of lime.

Of the ground limestones, **4088** is magnesian, the others consist chiefly of carbonate of lime, though **3810** and **4593** contain too much insoluble mineral matter to pay for shipping unless sold at very low prices.

No prices were given by the senders of most of these samples.

#### ANALYSES OF BURNED LIME AND LIMESTONE.

		Burned							Groun	d Lim	estone.			
Station No.	. 3780	3779	3778	3777	4489	4665	3740	3931	3932	3810	3665	3376	4500	
Percentage ar	nounts c	) j												-
Lime	. 72.06	43.50	63.70	57.98	59.76	53.10	45.40	44.90	47.36	40.40	48.80	48.15	12 =0	20.6-
Magnesia	. 0.72	29.07	1.19	9.05	2.33	0.31	4.12	4.13	3.48	6.76	2.25	5.71	0 ==	07-6
Insoluble in acid	1 0.75	0.90	3.35	0.95	2.30	2.85	9.06	10.40	8.65	15.00	8.14	2.00	21.40	2.15

4716 and 4717 are two samples of ground limestone drawn by our agent from stock of the Long Hill Concrete Co., Long Hill.

#### ANALYSES.

	4716	4717
Percentage composition		
Lime	36.40	40.54
Magnesia	0.75	0.72
Insoluble matter	31.82	24.88
Finer than 100 mesh	95	65
80-100	I	I
50-80	3	6
Coarser than 50 mesh	I	28
	100	100

Both samples contain a large amount of insoluble matter which would make their use unprofitable if it involved freight charges.

#### CANADA WOOD ASHES.

Of the analyses given below, three are called "Canada" Ashes. One of them has more than 65 per cent., a second more than 41 and a third more than 23 per cent. of worthless ballast, water, earth, coal, etc., on which freight is paid. None of them has more soluble potash nor as much lime as lime-kiln ashes, which can be bought for less money in this State.

4643 and 4667 are obviously lime-kiln ashes. If we allow 8 cents for each pound of potash and 3 cents for each pound of phosphoric acid, then lime and magnesia cost \$2.00 per 100 lbs. in 3769 and \$1.40 in 4680, while in the lime-kiln ashes at \$6.50 per ton, delivered, they cost about 18 cents. In agricultural lime they cost from 35 to 50 cents per 100 pounds.

4670. Canada Ashes, bought of E. Eggert, Hartford, by Hatheway & Steene, Hartford, and sampled by them.

**3769.** Canada Ashes sold by John Joynt, Lucknow, Canada. Sampled by Station agent from stock of W. A. Haviland, East Windsor Hill.

4680. Canada Wood Ashes sold by John A. Meehan & Son, Philadelphia. Sampled and sent by F. W. Judson, Waterbury.

4643. Wood Ashes made by the New England Lime Co., Canaan. Sampled and sent by George Mitchelson, Tariffville.

4667. Wood Ashes sent by F. A. Carlson, New Milford.

#### ANALYSES.

					In	Ashes	
Station No.	4670	3769	4680	4643	4667	4668	
Percentage amounts of							
Water	15.88	15.48	8.98	4.85		13.98	
Sand and insoluble	25.20	49.90	14.70	4.70	2.00	22.85	
Potash	1.47	1.90	1.63	2.57	2.33	4.37	
Lime	27.60	13.58	36.40	37.16	44.90	25.70	
Magnesia	1.67	1.09	1.63	13.16	17.70		
rnosphoric acid	1.15	1.02	1.41	1.02	1.34		
Cost per ton		\$9.50	\$14.00	\$4.00*		\$28.00	

<sup>\*</sup> f. o. b. Canaan.

<sup>†</sup> Delivered.

The analyses made in recent years show that in almost all cases the cost of Canadian wood ashes is out of all proportion to their value.

They can only be bought safely with a very strict agreement that they shall be analyzed on arrival and paid for on some such basis as the following: Potash to be valued at 8 cents; phosphoric acid at 3½ cents per pound, and lime and magnesia at not more than 60 cents per 100 pounds.

The last analysis in the table is of Incinerator Ashes sent by E. Eggert, Hartford, with an inquiry as to their value.

They contain more than 36 per cent. of worthless material and, calculated as above, lime and magnesia cost somewhere about \$3.70 per 100 pounds. A preposterous price.

Sample 4572 was sent with request for immediate attention "because I wish to buy a car lot if the potash and lime are high enough to warrant." The "ashes" contained 0.40 per cent. of water-soluble potash!

# SLUDGE FROM THE MANUFACTURE OF LIME-SULPHUR SPRAYING SOLUTIONS.

This material is a wet paste and has been recommended and used with apparent success for protecting the trunks of young trees from borers.

An analysis showed it to contain no sulphides but to consist mainly of a mixture of sulphates, sulphites and thiosulphates, with some carbonate of lime. The determinations were as follows:

Loss at 100° C (moisture)	26.53
Oxide of iron, alumina and phosphoric acid	1.40
Lime	28.82
Magnesia	3.76
Total sulphur in combination	16.16
Free sulphur	0.27
Sulphur as SO <sup>2</sup>	
" " SO <sup>3</sup>	2.23

## PART III.

## FOURTEENTH REPORT

OF THE

# State Entomologist of Connecticut

To the Director and Board of Control of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station:

I beg leave to submit the following as my fourteenth report as State Entomologist of Connecticut for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1914. Some of the nurseries were inspected and the certificates issued later than that date, but they have been included because it was desirable to have on one list all nurseries inspected during the Calendar year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. BRITTON,
State Entomologist.

\$3,296.65

REPORT OF THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE STATE ENTOMOL-OGIST FROM OCTOBER 1ST, 1913, TO SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1914.

#### Insect Pest Account.

#### RECEIPTS.

From E. H. Jenkins, Treasurer	\$4,000.00 430.09
	\$4,430.09

#### EXPENDITURES.

For Field, office and laboratory assistance	
B. H. Walden, salary	\$1,500.00
Q. S. Lowry, salary	716.65
I. W. Davis, salary	125.00
M. P. Zappe, salary	375.00
Frances M. Valentine, salary	520.00
Other assistance	60.00

Printing and illustrations	17.28	
Postage	58.93	
Stationery. Telegraph and telephone.	24.90	
Office supplies.	3.15	
Library	18.43	
Library	106.46	
Laboratory apparatus and supplies	94.31	
Tools and genetics	2.98	
Tools and supplies	6.55	
Traveling expenses	299.92	
Balance, cash on hand	500.53	
		\$4,430.00

#### Gypsy Moth Control Account.\*

#### RECEIPTS.

From E. H. Jenkins, Treasurer	\$4,000.00 600.33
	\$4,600.33

#### EXPENDITURES.

\$ 875 00

## For Salaries, board of scouts, etc.:

I. W. Davis salary

1. W. Davis, salary \$ 075.00		
Q. S. Lowry, salary 233.33		
F. J. Rimoldi, salary 451.50		
Other assistance, labor, etc 1,513.35		
Board of scouts 538.95		
	\$3,612.13	
Printing and illustrations		
Timong and muscrations	265.30	
Postage	.56	
Telegraph and telephone	11.85	
Express, freight and cartage	5.88	
Rental of storehouse	18.00	
Tools and supplies	54.07	
Traveling expenses:		
Inspecting imported stock \$382.32		
Other work		
247.03	(-0.77	
	630.15	
Balance, cash on hand	2.39	
		\$4,600.33

Memorandum:-These accounts of the State Entomologist have been duly audited by the State Auditors of Public Accounts.

## SUMMARY OF INSPECTION AND OFFICE WORK. OCT. 1, 1913, TO SEPT. 30, 1914.

439 samples of insects received for identification.

74 nurseries inspected

74 regular certificates issued

40 parcels inspected and certificated.

75 orchards and gardens examined. 303 shipments, 1,477 cases, 1,646,130 plants, imported nursery stock

inspected.

58 shipments found infested with insects or fungi.

463 apiaries, containing 3,882 colonies inspected.

151 apiaries containing 543 colonies found infested with European foul

brood.

5 apiaries containing 27 colonies found infested with American foul

12 apiaries containing 28 colonies found infested with Sac or Pickled brood.

2588 letters written on official work.

60 circular letters sent out.

313 reports of inspection to Federal Horticultural Board.

1350 bulletins, etc., mailed on request or to answer inquiries.

106 packages sent out by mail or express.

20 lectures and addresses made at institutes, granges, etc.

## PUBLICATIONS OF ENTOMOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, 1914.

Thirteenth Report of the State Entomologist (Part III of Station Report for 1913): 77 pages, XII plates: 10,000 copies distributed in February.

Bulletin 181, "Some Common Lady Beetles of Connecticut," 24 pages, 24 figures: 10,000 copies distributed in April.

Bulletin 182, "The Brown-Tail Moth," 26 pages, 16 figures: 12,000 copies distributed in April.

Report of Committee on Injurious Insects; Proceedings Connecticut Pomological Society, page 47, 5 pages, 1914. (Also printed in Connectcut Farmer, Feb. 14, 1914.)

Mites on Snapdragon; Florist's Exchange, Vol. XXXVII, page 557,

March 7, 1914. (Brief note.)

Spray Mixtures for Orchard and Garden; Rural New Yorker, March 7,

Some Problems in Economic Entomology; Connecticut Agricultural College Outlook, page 117. 2 pages, Feb. 14, 1914.

"New Jersey State Anti-Mosquito Convention" at Atlantic City, N. J., Journal of Economic Entomology, Vol. VII, page 244, 2 pages, April,

A Remarkable Outbreak of Culex pipiens; Journal of Economic Entomology, Vol. VII, page 257, 2½ pages, June, 1914.

The Army Worm; Connecticut Farmer, July 25, 1914.

<sup>\*</sup> Including cost of inspecting imported nursery stock.

The Army Worm; Rural New Yorker, August 22, 1914, page 1027; continued August 29, page 1047; 6 figures.

Two Oncoming Insect Pests; Tree Talk, 1½ pages, May, 1914.

## ENTOMOLOGICAL STAFF.

W. E. BRITTON, PH. D State and State
W. E. Britton, Ph. D
CHINGY C TOWNS D C
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MAX P. ZAPPE, B. S. *
MISS FRANCES M. VALENTINE
Stenograph

As in former years, Mr. Walden has continued as first assistant, and has been in charge of all work in the absence of the Entomologist. Mr. Walden has also done most of the photographic work of the department and has helped in inspecting nurseries and imported nursery stock and in carrying out investigations.

Mr. Lowry has also assisted in inspection work and carried on a series of field experiments in controlling the cabbage maggot.

Mr. Davis has been in charge of the field work of controlling the gypsy and brown-tail moths, and when not thus engaged, has assisted in the inspection work.

Mr. Zappe, a graduate of the Connecticut Agricultural College, class of 1912, was employed temporarily during the month of April to inspect imported nursery stock. Since that time he has served as general assistant and has looked after the insectary and collection and breeding records. He also helped inspect the growing stock in the Connecticut nurseries.

Mr. Frank J. Rimoldi, a short course student of the Connecticut College, was employed throughout the winter and during the summer on gypsy and brown-tail moth work. During the inspection season he helped inspect imported and growing nursery stock, but left September 16th, to enter Cornell University for further study.

Miss Valentine has done the stenographic and clerical work of the office, considerable time being required to keep records of the apiary inspection and of the imported nursery stock and attend to the accompanying notices and reports. During her vacation Miss Jessie F. MacMillan was employed as a substitute.

As in the past seasons, Messrs. H. W. Coley of Westport and A. W. Yates of Hartford, have continued to serve as apiary in-

spectors, each receiving per diem wages and the necessary travel-

ing expenses.

All the persons mentioned above have labored faithfully to make the work of the department a success and their efforts are not unappreciated.

## CHIEF LINES OF WORK.

As in previous seasons, the routine, control and inspection work requires the attention of the members of the staff of the department for most of the time during the year. For instance, all men are engaged in inspecting imported nursery stock for a short time when this stock arrives in greatest abundance. Thus, during October, most of the shipments of Azalea indica come into the state. In December and January there are shipments of Rhododendrons, roses, especially Manetti stock, seedling fruit stock, and flowering shrubs for forcing. Some straggling shipments arrive during February, but it is in March and April that the great rush of general nursery stock arrives.

All men of the force are also needed to inspect growing nursery stock the latter part of August and through September.

Mr. Davis has had charge of the scouting for gypsy moth eggs and for brown-tail nests, which is done during the winter months while the trees are bare. Most of the gypsy moth scouting must also be done while the ground is bare, but brown-tail work can be done with snow upon the ground. In severe cold weather or stormy weather scouts cannot work outside. The summer work extends from May until August.

Mr. Lowry has conducted field experiments in controlling the cabbage maggot at the Station farm at Mt. Carmel and on the land of Mr. A. N. Farnham of New Haven. He has also made observations on this and other cabbage insects in these localities and in the fields of other vegetable growers in various parts of the state.

In co-operation with the botanical department the orchard trees at the Station farm have been sprayed each year with various materials and a careful record kept.

Mr. Walden has carried on field tests in attempting to control the white pine weevil in forest plantations, both at the Station experiment forest at Rainbow, and the State forest at Portland. The forestry department has co-operated in this work, and Mr.

<sup>\*</sup> Beginning April 1st, 1914.

Filley, State Forester, and Mr. Walden have made many observations in various plantations in different parts of the State, relating to the weevil and to other insects attacking white pine. These investigations are of such a nature that the work must be continued for a number of years.

The Entomologist, as President of the Anti-Mosquito Committee, Inc., of the Civic Federation of New Haven has had general supervision over the work of the Committee. Mosquitoes were found breeding again in West River, though not as extensively as in 1913, and one oiling was given. All ditches in the salt marshes near New Haven, cut in 1912, were maintained free from obstructions and in working condition in 1914. The Entomologist was also called in as arbitrator in settlement of a disagreement over a mosquito drainage contract in Greenwich, several days being spent in inspecting the work and in preparing a report of findings.

The general studies on insects attacking vegetable crops, and those injuring peach and apple orchards in Connecticut have been continued.

Minor studies, notes and observations have been made on many different kinds of insects, and much work has been done on the collection and in working out life histories in the insectary.

Considerable time was spent in preparing, installing and explaining an exhibit showing the work of this department, which with other departments composed the Station exhibit shown at four agricultural fairs as follows: Salisbury, September 7th; Norfolk, September 10th, 11th and 12th; Brooklyn, September 22nd, 23rd and 24th; Berlin, September 29th, 30th, October 1st and 2nd.

Considerable attention has been given to the preparation of Bulletin No. 22, of the Connecticut Geological and Natural History Survey, "The Hymenoptera of Connecticut," which is now in press.

#### INSPECTION OF NURSERIES.

The annual inspection of the trees, shrubs and other plants growing in the nurseries of the State, as required by statute, was commenced August 24th, the larger nurseries being inspected first. Messrs. Walden, Lowry, Davis, Zappe, Rimoldi and Britton

all worked inspecting a part of the time, and all worked together in some of the larger nurseries.

During September the services of one man were needed a part of the time to attend to the entomological exhibits at the fairs. Mr. Lowry was delegated for this purpose, and it took his time for nearly three weeks. On account of the war, few shipments of imported Azaleas were expected, but more came than ever before. As these require immediate inspection, their arrival in October somewhat interrupted the other inspection work. Nevertheless it was all finished before November 1st.

As in 1913, the inspection was more thorough than in previous seasons, and all kinds of woody plants were examined, particularly for those pests named in last year's report, page 187. The nurseries, as a whole, were remarkably free from pests, particularly of San José Scale.

A few chestnut trees were found in each of several nurseries, showing the bark disease or blight, and were ordered burned.

In many nurseries no pests could be found. A common infestation is that of Oyster-Shell Scale, which is found on poplar, willow, ash, lilac, etc. San José Scale on fruit trees and currants was present in some of the nurseries. In all cases where trees or shrubs were badly infested with any pest, directions were given that they be destroyed. Where San José Scale was found, in addition to destroying the worst infested trees, all others in the same rows or blocks were ordered fumigated, dipped, or if allowed to remain undug, sprayed.

Besides the regular nursery inspections there are each year a number of cases where persons, not regularly engaged in the nursery business wish to ship small packages of stock. Package certificates are issued for this purpose, after the contents of each package has been duly examined, and apply only to the contents of the package. Most transportation companies now refuse to accept any packages of nursery stock or cuttings unless accompanied by a certificate, and it is against the postal rules and regulations to send any such goods by mail without such a certificate. Persons wishing to obtain certain varieties of apples or other fruit often write to the college at Storrs for scions. In order to have these small parcels properly examined and certificated without undue trouble and expense, Professor G. H. Lamson, Jr., of the college, was appointed a deputy inspector, without salary for this

Cartificate Number of

purpose. Altogether 40 of these packages or parcel certificates were issued during the year.

In the work of inspecting imported nursery stock (chiefly Azaleas) during October, it was found that many florists sell nursery stock and grow small areas of conifers and flowering shrubs for local sale. As this must be regarded as regular nursery stock, a number of such nurseries were inspected this season for the first time. The number of names on the list has increased from 54 to 72. Of the firms on the 1913 list, two have gone out of business, two have changed ownership, and 20 new ones appear in the present list. Six of these are both florists and nurserymen. There has been some increase in the total acreage in Connecticut devoted to the growing of nursery stock, but no careful estimates were secured.

The list of nurserymen for 1914 is as follows:

## NURSERY FIRMS IN CONNECTICUT RECEIVING CERTIFICATES IN 1914.

Name of Firm.	Address.	Certificate Issued.	Number of Catalogue.
Barnes Brothers Nursery Co	Yalesville	Oct. 8,	598
Beattie, Wm. H	New Haven	Oct. 27.	
Bowditch, J. H	Pomfret Center	Sept. 10.	U
Brainard Floral and Nursery Co.	Thompsonville	Sept. 21.	0 0
Bradley, H. M	Derby	Nov. 9,	-
Braley & Co., S. A	Burnside	Sept. 18.	
Bretschneider, A	Danielson	Nov. 10,	
Brooks Bros	Westbrook	Oct. 8,	0.
Burroughs, Thos. E	Deep River	Oct. 13,	608
Burr & Co., C. R	Manchester	Sept. 26,	591
Chapman, C. B	Groton	Oct. 21,	615
Chapman, C. E	North Stonington	Oct. 21,	613
Comstock & Lyon	Norwalk	Nov. 10,	634
Conine Nursery Co., The F. E	Stratford	Oct. 9,	602
Conn Agricultural College (Prof.		Nov. 13,	643
A. G. Gulley)	Storrs	Oct. 28,	626
Conn. Agr. Experiment Station			
(W. O. Filley, State Forester)	New Haven	Oct. 21,	616
Conway, W. B	New Haven	Sept. 9,	582
Cross Highway Nurseries	Westport	Nov. 10,	636
Dallas, Inc., Alexander	Waterbury	Nov. 13,	643
Dehn & Bertolf	Greenwich	Oct. 10,	603
Dowd, Frank C. (2)	Madison	Nov. 10,	635
Elm City Nursery Co	New Haven	Sept. 10,	584
Fairfield Landscape & Nurseries			
Co. (2)	Cannon Station	Nov. 10,	639

Name of Firm.	Address.	Certificate I Issued.	Number of Certificate.
- 0	New London	Dec. 10,	647
Fuller, H. C	Cromwell	Oct. 27,	624
Gardner's National of	Norwich	Oct. 26,	620
Gardner's Nurseries			
Geduldig, G., Estate Gr. G. Hartford Park Commissioners (G. Hartford Park Supt.)	Hartford	Nov. 6,	631
	Norwich	Oct. 24,	618
A. Parker, Super, Hartridge, S	Manchester	Sept. 29,	593
	Granby	Oct. 7,	597
	Bridgeport	Nov. 9,	
	Mansfield	Nov. 10,	The Children of the State of th
	New Canaan	Oct. 12,	
Sons Co., The Stephen	Bristol	Oct. 15,	
thord & Co., Paul M	Hartford	Oct. 8,	
Hunt & Co., W. W	Middletown	Oct. 27,	
Intravaia, Joseph			Will be a second of the least
Kellner, Herman H	Danbury	Dec. 30,	
Kelsey & Sons, David	West Hartford	Nov. 24,	
Long, J. A	East Haven	Aug. 29,	
Mallett-Cockfield & Co	Bridgeport	Oct. 21,	
Manchester Nurseries	Manchester	Sept. 18,	
McDermott, E. F	Windsor	Nov. 12,	
Meier & Gillette	West Hartford	Oct. 13,	607
*Mt. Carmel Forestry & Nursery			
Co. (H. L. Johnson, Mgr.)	Etowah, Tenn	Oct. 26	
Munro, Chas	New Haven		
New Haven Nurseries Co	New Haven	Aug. 28	, 577
New Haven Park Commissioners			
(G. X. Amrhyn, Supt.)	New Haven	Oct. 5	595
New London Cemetery Associa-			
tion (F. S. Newcomb, Pres.)	New London	Oct. 21	, 614
New London County Nurseries			
(W. J. Schoonman, Prop.)	New London	. Nov. 11	, 641
Northeastern Forestry Co	Cheshire	Sept. 22	, 590
Park Gardens	Bridgeport	. Oct. 26	, 622
Phelps, J. Wesson	Bolton		, 627
Phelps & V. T. Hammer Co., The			
J. W	Branford	. Aug. 28	3, 578
Pierson, Inc., A. N.	Cromwell		
Platt Co., The Frank S	New Haven		
Pomeroy, Edwin C	Northville		
Purinton, C. O.	Hartford		
Reck, Julius	Bridgeport		5, 596
Roehrich, W. G.	Stratford		
Saxe & Floto.	Waterbury		,,
Schleichart B. C.			
Schleichert, F. C	Bridgeport	. Oct. 19	9, 011

<sup>\*</sup> Nursery stock located at Mt. Carmel, Conn.

Name of Firm.  Scott, J. W. Seavey, Wallace. Sierman, C. H. South Wilton Nurseries. Steck, Chas. A. Streckfus, H. P. Turner & Co., Chas. Vidbourne & Co., J. Woodruff, C. V.	Address. Hartford. New Haven. Hartford. South Wilton. Bethel. Litchfield. Hartford. Hartford. Orange.	Nov. 11, Aug. 29, Oct. 22, Oct. 10, Oct. 29, Sept. 14, Sept. 29, Oct. 13, Oct. 14,	579 617 604 629 585 592 606 609
Yale University Forest School Young, Mrs. Nellie A	New Haven Pine Orchard	Nov. 14,	644

## INSPECTION OF IMPORTED NURSERY STOCK

## By W. E. BRITTON AND B. H. WALDEN.

There has been no decrease in the shipments of nursery stock into Connecticut from foreign countries since the rules and regulations of the Federal Horticultural Board became operative two years ago. On the other hand, these shipments increase each year, and were it not for the system of notices and permits established by the Board it would be difficult to trace many of them. As it is, we are able to follow up and inspect most of them. All woody field-grown plants are supposed to be inspected whether consigned to nurserymen, florists, or private owners.

The regulations of the Federal Horticultural Board require that the importer, who is usually the broker, shall send a notice of each shipment to the state nursery inspector of the state to which the shipment is consigned. The Federal Horticultural Board issues a permit before the stock can enter the United States, and this Board also sends to each state inspector a notice, in duplicate, of each shipment consigned to that state. Both copies are to be filled out after the stock has been inspected; one is returned to the Federal Horticultural Board and the other kept on file as a record in the state inspector's office.

On receipt of the first notice of each shipment a post card containing the following, is sent from this office to the consignee or importer:

## OFFICE OF STATE ENTOMOLOGIST.

Agricultural Experiment Station, New Haven, Conn.

DEAR SIR:—This office has just received notice from.....

regarding......case or package of imported nursery stock consigned to you. Under the Federal Horticultural Law, we shall try to inspect all woody plants imported into Connecticut.

Please notify this office as soon as the stock arrives at your grounds (but not before) and we will try to inspect it promptly. It is illegal for you to unpack it until the inspector arrives, unless permission is granted from this office.

Very truly yours,

W. E. BRITTON, State Entomo'ogist.

During the year ending September 30, 1914, 303 separate shipments of imported nursery stock have been inspected by this department. These shipments contained 1,477 boxes and packages and 1,646,130 plants. Of 32 other cases in 10 shipments at first reported, two were not received, ten were reshipped without unpacking; one was damaged on reaching New York and was replaced by New York grown stock; one was a box of seeds; one contained carnations; nine contained herbaceous stock; two were greenhouse grown; three were inspected by Federal authorities; and three small shipments were unpacked and distributed before they could be traced. These shipments, therefore, were not inspected. This stock came from the following countries:

	No.	Shipments.	No. Cases.
County.		123	771
Holland		96	450
Belgium		29	127
France	1	24	65
England		10	17
Ireland		8	8
Germany		6	16
Scotland	100	3	19
Japan		2	2
Italy		I	I
Hungary	9190	I	I
Locality not given			
Total		303	1,477

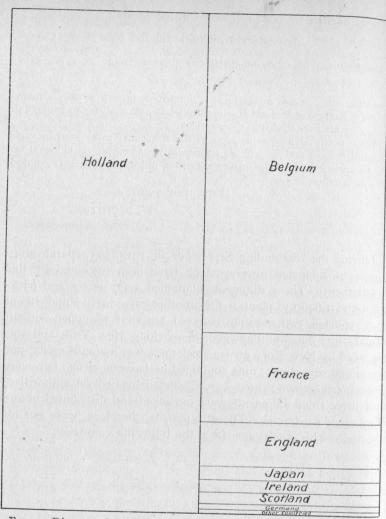


Fig. 1. Diagram showing proportional amounts of nursery stock grown in the different foreign countries sending stock into Connecticut.

In the inspection of this imported nursery stock, in 1914, insects and plant diseases were found in 58 shipments as follows:

#### PESTS FOUND.

Crown gall, Bacterium tumifaciens Smith & Towns. (6 shipments)

On Manetti rose stock.

James Palmer & Son, Ltd., Annan, Scotland. King Acre Nurseries, Hereford; Walter S. Slocock, Woking, Surrey; R. H. Bath, Wisbech; Stuart Low & Co., Enfield, England.

Black Fungus. Apparently Sclerotinia Fuckliana DeBy. (Fckl.) Sclerotial stage. (I shipment)

On grape cuttings. (Shipper unknown) Hungary.

Fungus (unidentified) on Rhododendron leaves. (I Shipment)
A. Ouwerkerk, Boskoop, Holland.

Fungus, Exobasidium on Azalea indica. (18 shipments)

O. & Th. de Raeve Freres, K. J. Kuyk, C. Petrick, Arthur De Meyer, Ghent; August Haerens, Somergem; Bier & Ankersmit, Melle, Belgium.

Fungus, Graphiola Phoenicis Moug. (Poit.) (1 shipment) On Phoenix palm. K. J. Kuyk, Ghent, Belgium.

White Fly. Aleyrodes (undescribed) on Azalea indica. (7 shipments.) K. J. Kuyk, C. Petrick, Ghent, Belgium.

Soft Scale, Coccus hesperidum Linn. (6 shipments)

On bay trees. Arthur DeMeyer, K. J. Kuyk, Ghent, Belgium. Hemispherical Scale, Saissetia hemisphericum Targ. (1 shipment)

On palms. K. J. Kuyk, Ghent, Belgium.

Mealy bug. Coccus sp. (2 shipments)

On Araucaria. Bier & Ankersmit. On rubber plant, De Coster Bros., Melle, Belgium.

Oyster-shell Scale, Lepidosaphes ulmi Linn. (6 shipments)

On Box, Buxus. H. den Ouden & Son, Koster & Co., Van Kleef Bros., Schaum & Van Tol., H. M. Hardyzer, Boskoop, Holland.

Chionaspine Scale in egg stage, probably Hemichionaspis aspidistræ Sign. (1 shipment)

On Aspidistra. P. & L. Vander Sypt, Loochristy, Belgium.

Diaspine Scale, *Chrysomphalus* sp. (I shipment) On bay tree. Arthur DeMeyer, Ghent, Belgium.

Mites. Probably common red spider. (3 shipments)

On Kentia palm. Arthur DeMeyer, Ghent, Belgium.

On Box, Buxus. W. C. Hage & Co., Boskoop, Holland.

On Rhododendron. Ebbinge & Van Gross, Boskoop, Holland.

Spring-tails—Collembola. (1 shipment)

On roses. P. Loef Az, Boskoop, Holland.

Aphids (immature) (1 shipment)

On Viburnum. Van den Willik & Koetner, Hazerswoude, Holland.

Work of borer in ash. (1 shipment)

F. J. G. Van der Bom, Oudenbosch, Holland.

Rusty Tussock Moth, Notolophus antiqua Linn. Eggs. (1 shipment)

On Spiraea. Kallen & Lunneman, Boskoop, Holland

Lepidopterous cocoons. (3 shipments)

On Manetti rose stock. Vincent Le Breton's Nurseries, Angers, France. F. L. Van Leeuwen & Son, Sassenheim, Holland.

Noctuid Larva. (I shipment)

On Retinospora. G. W. Van Gelderen, Boskoop, Holland.

Pierid Larva. (1 shipment)

On Azalea indica. K. J. Kuyk, Ghent, Belgium.

Lepidopterous eggs (unidentified) (2 shipments)

Probably Tortricid egg-mass. On Azalea indica. L. Van Leeuwen & Son, Meirelbecke, Sassenheim, Holland. On Rhododendron, Boskoop, Holland.

#### INSPECTION OF APIARIES.

The inspections made in 1914 represent the first season's work under the new law passed by the General Assembly of 1913, which provides for quarantines, for inspection without complaints, and an appropriation of \$750.00 annually, which is more than double the amount available in previous years. So far the new law seems to be satisfactory. On account of the increased appropriation much more area was covered and many more apiaries inspected than ever before.

As during the preceding four years, Messrs. H. W. Coley of Westport and A. W. Yates of Hartford, have served as inspectors, receiving wages for the time actually engaged in the work. Mr. Coley has jurisdiction over the four counties, Fairfield, New Haven, Middlesex and New London, in the southern part of the state, while Mr. Yates has the northern counties, Litchfield, Hartford, Tolland and Windham.

This year, for the first time, some American Foul Brood was found in the State in the towns of Bethlehem and Old Lyme (Blackhall).

In the inspection work the State was quite thoroughly covered, as may be seen from the following table, which gives the number of apiaries and colonies inspected in each town where work was done, and the number of each found diseased:

#### APIARIES INSPECTED, 1914.

#### Arranged by Towns.

	*1	No. Apiaries Diseased.	Duarantined	No. (	Colonies Diseased.
Town.	Inspected.	Diseased.	quaramined.	Inspected.	
FAIRFIELD COUNTY		I	I	10	2
Bethel		I	0	44	9
Bridgeport		0	0	51	0
Darien		I	I	66	I
Fairfield		5	4	260	8
New Canaan		4	4	59	20
Norwalk		0	0	5	0
Ridgefield		5	5	34	6
Stamford		2	2	72	. 12
Stratford		0	0	71	0
Westport		I	I	28	12
Wilton		5	4	94	6
William Control		_ 0	-		-
Total	. 65	25	22	794	76
NEW HAVEN COUNTY					
Beacon Falls	. 5	2	2	45	27
Cheshire		0	0	43	0
Derby		0	0	40	0
Hamden		2	I	24	4
Madison		0	0	22	0
Middlebury		0	0	41	0
Milford		4	I	39	31
Naugatuck		0	0	21	0
Prospect	. 8	0	0	57	0
Seymour		I	I	8	I
Waterbury	. 2	I	0	51	I
	_	_	_	_	_
Total	. 40	10	5	391	64
MIDDLESEX COUNTY					
Chatham	. 15	8	7	117	27
East Haddam		7	7	97	23
Haddam	. 6	- 6	6	31	26
	_	_	. —	-	-
Total	. 35	21	20	245	76.

Town. NEW LONDON COUNTY	Inspected.	No. Apiari Diseased.	es Quarantined.	No. Inspected	Colonies d. Diseased.
Colchester	2	2	2	20	
Lisbon	3	3	2	29 82	25
Montville	8	2	I		18
New London	3	2	0	47	9
Norwich	5	4	3	25	6
Old Lyme	6	4*	4	97	24
Waterford	2	0	0	30	26
	I L	_	0	46	0
Total	29	17	12	256	_
			12	356	108
LITCHFIELD COUNTY					
Bethlehem	1*	I	I	3	I
Goshen	2	0	0	15	0
Harwinton	I	I	0	6	6
Plymouth	8	4	0	63	7
Sharon	I	0	0	3	0
Thomaston	II	6	0	44	24
Torrington	14	6	I	124	28
Watertown	12	4	0	119	10
Winchester	21	5	I	83	10
Woodbury	5	0	0	44	0
	_	-	-		
Total	76	27	3	504	86
HARTFORD COUNTY					
Berlin	18	4	0	. 67	II
Bloomfield	3	0	0	24	0
Bristol	13	. 5	0	75	13
Burlington	9	2	0	37	5
East Granby	7	4	0	41	5
East Hartford	3	2	I	17	3
East Windsor	9	2	0	102	8
Enfield	10	4	0	59	17
Farmington	12	2	0	62	3
Glastonbury	II	I	0	33	I
Granby	7	I	0	70	7
Hartford	10	I	0		
Manchester	9	2	0	34	7
New Britain	14	5	0	45	3 8
Newington	2	0	0	91	0
Plainville	7		I	42	
Rocky Hill	4	3	0	65	9
Southington				17	2
South Windsor	5	3 2	0	51	13
Suffield			I	27	2
	5	3	0	42	4

<sup>\*</sup>American Foul Brood.

		No. Apiari	es	No. C	colonies
Town.	Inspected.	Diseased.	Quarantined.	Inspected.	Diseased.
HARTFORD COUNTY-Co	intinued.				
West Hartford	. 5	3	0	101	4
Wethersfield	. 5	0	0	40	0
Windsor	. 3	0	0	43	0
Windsor Locks	. 2	0	0	47	0
		-			
Total	. 179	50	3	1232	125
TOLLAND COUNTY					
Bolton	. 2	0	0	7	0
Coventry	. 2	0	0	5	0
Somers	. 2	0	0	26	0
Stafford	. 6	3	0	82	22
Vernon		10	0	164	29
Willington		0	0	7	0
118			<u></u>		— I
Total	. 25	13	0	291	51
WINDHAM COUNTY					
Brooklyn	. 2	I	0	13	I
Canterbury	. 2	0	0	8	0
Hampton	. 2	0	0	7	0
Pomfret	. 8	4	0	41	II
		_			_
Total	. 14	5	0	69	12
SUMMARY	OF APIA	RY INSPE	CTION.		
20 Million			Apia	aries.	Colonies.
Number inspected			46	3	3,882
Infected Furanean	foul broc	d	15	T	543

#### Infested, European foul brood..... 543 151 Per cent. infested..... 32.6 13.9 Infested, American foul brood..... 27 . 5 Per cent. infested..... .7 1.07 28 Sac or Pickled brood..... 12 8.38 Average number of colonies per apiary... \$749.76 Cost of inspection..... Average cost per apiary..... \$1.62 Average cost per colony...... .19

## GYPSY MOTH CONTROL WORK IN 1914.

## By W. E. BRITTON AND IRVING W. DAVIS.

Since 1906 the gypsy moth has been known to be present in Stonington, and in December, 1909, was discovered in Wallingford. Previous reports of this station describes the vigorous measures which have been taken to exterminate the pest in each of these infestations. We now believe that the gypsy moth was actually exterminated in each locality, but that a reinfestation due

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to wind spread of the newly-hatched caterpillars in 1913 occurred at Stonington, and at the same time infested nearly the whole eastern end of Connecticut. Outside of the area previously infested at Stonington the new infestations were discovered by Federal scouts, after learning of the caterpillars found by the state men on the banded trees near Stonington village. Most of the control work outside of Stonington and Wallingford has been also done by Federal men, to whom Connecticut is greatly indebted for help at the time when state funds were entirely inadequate to cope with the situation. The following pages describe the work in detail:

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#### WALLINGFORD.

Here the colony was steadily reduced under the careful work of Mr. Caffrey, and in 1913 only three caterpillars were taken. Nevertheless, work was continued. The State scouts commenced work on December 22nd and made a careful examination of the area banded in 1913, bounded by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad tracks on the west, Ward Street on the south, Fair and Main Streets on the east and Center and Church Streets on the north. Special attention was given to the district near Orchard street, where caterpillars were last found. No egg-clusters were found and the scouting was finished January 10th.

Outside of the area mentioned above, the entire town was searched by Federal scouts without finding any egg-clusters. Nevertheless, the trees in the central area were banded as in 1913, and three men, Messrs. C. W. Bolton, R. H. Hillbom and O. C. Malmquist, in charge of Mr. Bolton, were employed by this department to turn the bands and to search for caterpillars from May 18 to August 8. None were found.

The figures showing the results of the work in the Wallingford infestation, not including the caterpillars killed by spraying, or those caught in the tanglefoot bands, are given below:

SUMMARY OF WORK AT	WALLIN	GFORD			
	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914
Egg-masses destroyed	8,234	23	5	2	0
Cocoons destroyed	95	15	I	0	0
Caterpillars destroyed at burlap bands	8,936	1,551	26	3	0
Trees banded with burlap	10,000	8,556	5,379	2,135	2,135
Trees banded with tanglefoot	365		128		128
Trees sprayed with poison	219	116	II	0	0
Trees pruned	904	33	0	0	0
Cavities filled with cement	27	0	0	0	0
Cavities covered with tin patches	1,959	100	0	0	0

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## Winter Scouting.

During the summer of 1913 several gypsy moth caterpillars were captured on the Stanton estate and at one or two other places within the area formerly infested, but where nothing had been found since 1911. It was, therefore, imperative that the entire area of the old infestation be scouted during the winter, and accordingly scouts were sent to Stonington on December 2, remaining there until December 19th.

The area contained in the old infestation, which consisted of the borough of Stonington and north to the road leading to Elihu's Island on the east, thence westerly to the southern boundary of the cemetery, was all scouted. Particular attention was given to the grounds around the Stanton place and to the other localities where caterpillars were taken the previous summer. Scouting was also done outside of this section already mentioned, at Stonington Manor and on Elihu's Island. At the former place, where many automobiles from the infested district stop during the course of the summer, the trees and bushes were examined as it was thought that the caterpillars might possibly have been introduced through that medium.

Trees on the farm of Mr. West, who resides about 1½ miles north of Stonington, were also examined. Mr. West has the hay from the Stanton estate, and as this has been the center of infestation, it was deemed best to scout around this farm since there was a possibility that a colony might have become established in that section. No egg-masses were found.

Outside of the area examined by the state scouts and mentioned above, Federal scouts examined the remaining area in the town of Stonington, and also the towns of Groton, North Stonington and many other towns in the eastern end of the State, as is mentioned on page 133. In Stonington seven infestations were found, all outside of and north of the area previously infested where state men had worked. One was found just west of the river at Mystic, this being in the town of Groton.

#### SUMMER WORK.

Two of the infestations mentioned above were near Westerly, R. I., and were taken care of by the Federal men. All others in

Stonington and that in Groton were looked after by state men. The other five Stonington infestations were located as follows: One in the oak woods back of Stonington Manor Inn, on the land owned by Mr. E. P. Edwards. One in an old apple orchard on what is commonly known as the Gallup place and now occupied by Mrs. Schrorer. The third infestation was in the orchard of Mr. Davis, who lives on an old "pent road" about one-half mile south of the North Stonington town line. The two remaining infestations were on opposite sides of the road in what is known as the Anguilla district and on land owned by Mr. York.

In the town of Groton there was but one infestation and that on Pearl Street, Mystic, on land owned by Mr. Edgecomb.

The work commenced on April 29th and closed August 8th. During this time seven men, including Mr. F. J. Rimoldi, John L. Wright, Stanley M. Prouty, George W. Smith, Paul McDermott and F. Hoadley, with Mr. Davis in charge, were engaged in the work, but the average number employed was four.

The first week was spent in banding trees in the various infested areas, in cutting brush and thinning out the nearby trees.

The number of tanglefoot bands applied was as follows:

Gallup Place	IO
Manor	82
Mystic	4
Anguilla (right)	13
Anguilla (left)	13
Davis	8
	1000
China and China Ethics and China	130

In addition to the above, at the Manor infestation burlap was also used, while within the limits of the old infestation seventy-one tanglefoot and one hundred and thirty-eight burlap bands were applied.

All of the bands were examined daily until the middle of June, and from then on until the work closed they were examined every other day.

Wherever possible various sections of woodland were scouted, and although the most of this work was done in Stonington, at various times the work was carried into the edges of both Groton and North Stonington.

The work closed on August 8th without any gypsy moth caterpillars or new infestations having been found.

## WORK DONE BY FEDERAL SCOUTS.

Men employed by the Federal Bureau of Entomology scouted the open area in two tiers of towns across the eastern end of the State during the winter. They found a large number of small infestations one or two egg-clusters in a place, scattered over ten towns. The summer work in these towns, except in Stonington and Groton, as previously noted, was also done by Federal men. The egg-clusters were creosoted when found, their location indicated on maps, and significant guiding marks were placed on trees or fences at the nearest point along the highway, to enable one to reach the spot without unnecessary searching. In general, the trees were banded over a circular area extending, perhaps, 100 feet from the egg-cluster, in order to catch the caterpillars hatching from scattered eggs. A number of caterpillars were found on the bands. Later scouts were sent into the woodland areas and many more small and scattered infestations were found. The infestations in both open country and woodland were thickest in the northeast corner of the State, the town of Thompson leading in number.

Altogether the Bureau of Entomology expended \$17,555.66 in scouting and other work in Connecticut, in 1914, previous to September 15. Colonies of Calosoma beetles and their larvæ, which feed upon gypsy caterpillars, were planted in Stonington and in Thompson by the Federal men. We wish to acknowledge the cordial help and co-operation which Connecticut has received from Mr. A. F. Burgess, Mr. L. H. Worthley and their associates of the Bureau of Entomology, who are engaged in this work.

#### PRESENT INFESTED AREA.

Thus the ten towns of Thompson, Woodstock, Putnam, Pomfret, Killingly, Brooklyn, Voluntown, North Stonington, Stonington and Groton must now be considered as infested with gypsy moths, though the pest is not yet abundant in any of them. Consequently these towns were quarantined August 1st, 1914, by the

Federal Horticultural Board. The location of these towns and the quarantine lines are shown in figure 2.

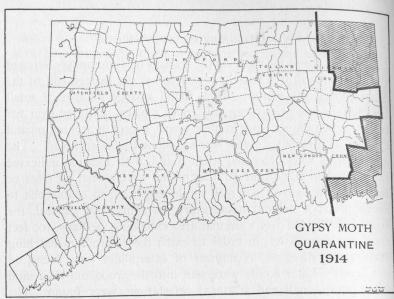


Fig. 2. Map of Connecticut showing area quarantined on account of gypsy moth.

## FUTURE NEEDS AND PROSPECTS.

As the present infestation in Connecticut is on the edge of the large gypsy moth area covering Rhode Island, eastern Massachusetts, southeastern New Hampshire and southwestern Maine, it is evident that it cannot be easily exterminated, as might be the case with a separate colony, and as has been done at Wallingford and at Stonington. The methods of control to be adopted in future work must be quite different from those employed in extermination work in the past. Much scouting must be done each year, and this with the use of tanglefoot bands around the infestations will serve to hold the pests from gaining a firm foothold, and from spreading across the State. This means constant, careful work. The Federal force will aid us, but cannot assume the whole burden. In order to properly cope with the situation the State must appropriate a larger amount for this work.

# SUPPRESSION WORK AGAINST THE BROWN-TAIL MOTH IN 1914.

By W. E. BRITTON AND IRVING W. DAVIS.

Scouting to determine the extent of spread and the abundance of the brown-tail moth in 1913 was commenced January 15, 1914. The force of scouts in charge of Mr. Davis consisted also of Messrs. F. J. Rimoldi, John H. Osgood, E. R. Sherman, John L. Wright, A. J. Bibeault, J. S. Shepard and George Capwell.

By comparing the following pages with last year's report (page 204) it will be seen that while the pest has spread westward and several new towns were found infested, the nests were much fewer in the old infestations than in 1913. Mr. Davis' notes follow:

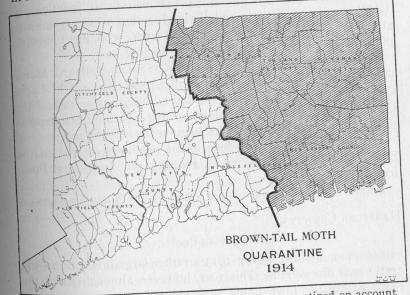


Fig. 3. Map of Connecticut showing area quarantined on account of brown-tail moth.

Owing to the spread of the brown-tail moths during the last two years it became impracticable to scout the entire section of the State infested. Accordingly the work done this year consisted of scouting the towns just east of the Government quarantine line and the towns to the westward until no moths were found. East of the quarantine line the scouting consisted of a strip approximately one town in width. In the northern part of the State,

however, begining with Hartford and West Hartford and extending to the Massachusetts line, two towns within the quarantine line were covered. All towns west of the Connecticut river and within the quarantined area were scouted, and from East Hartford to Stonington a strip one town in width east of the quarantine line was worked.

Outside of this district the towns scouted varied with the nests found in each section. All of the towns from the quarantine line to the Connecticut river were covered, as was Old Saybrook. The Federal scouts reported a nest in Old Saybrook, but since they had scouted westward without finding anything, no further work was done in that immediate vicinity. Northward, where the line crosses to the west side of the river, from one to two towns westward were scouted, with the addition that various railroad junctions, as Middletown, New Britain and Berlin Junction, were given extra attention. The work closed on April 11th, with the following towns having been found infested for the first time.

Granby, Simsbury, Lebanon, Colchester, Salem, Ledyard, Montville, Groton, Waterford, New London, East Lyme, Old Lyme and Old Saybrook. These towns and all other towns east of the Connecticut River were included in the quarantine extension made effective August 1st, and shown on the map, figure 3.

Extra scouting was also done in the northeastern part of the State in the towns of Thompson, Putnam, Woodstock and Pomfret.

Details of the scouting may be found in the following pages:

#### HARTFORD COUNTY:

#### Suffield—23 nests.

In scouting Suffield during 1913 a rather large infestation (565 nests) was discovered. This year, however, although all of the roads within the town limits were scouted, only 23 nests were found. Nineteen of these were on the West Suffield road near Suffield Center. The remainder, 4 in number, were scattered along the northern section of the town near the Massachusetts line.

#### Granby—I nest.

All of the roads in Granby were scouted and resulted in the finding of a single nest on the main road between Granby Center

and North Granby, very near the latter village. It might also be well to note that the nest was within a mile of the Southwick (Mass.) line.

#### Simsbury—4 nests.

The entire town, which includes the villages of Simsbury, West Simsbury, Tariffville and Weatogue, was scouted and four nests were found on two roadside trees standing on land owned by William Kelly on the Firetown Road, about two miles northwest of the village of Simsbury.

#### West Hartford—I nest.

West Hartford was one of the towns found infested last year, and although all of the town was scouted again this year, the only nest found was at 1014 Farmington Avenue, a short distance west of the post office in West Hartford.

#### Hartford—94 nests.

It was the intention to scout the entire city of Hartford, but after working a few days in that section it was learned that Federal scouts had covered part of the city. The State men, therefore, confined their efforts to the remaining section and found 94 nests. As was the case last year, the most of the nests were found near the large infestation around John and Main Streets. Three isolated cases, one on Windsor Avenue near the Windsor town line, one at 48 Imlay Street, and the third at 3 Queen Street, concludes the list.

#### East Hartford—48 nests.

Forty-eight nests were found as the result of scouting the entire town of East Hartford. These were in the village of East Hartford very near the Connecticut river.

Of the remaining towns in Hartford County, which were scouted all of the roads in East Granby, Windsor Locks, Windsor, Bloomfield, Avon, Farmington, Newington, Wethersfield and Glastonbury, were covered but no nests were found.

The following towns were partially scouted:

Hartland—A few of the roads in the eastern part of the town.

Canton—The village itself and main roads adjacent to it.

Plainville—The center and road leading to New Britain.

New Britain—The central portion of the city and streets along the various railroads.

Berlin—Around the railroad station, and roads in that vicinity. Rocky Hill—The village and main roads.

Marlboro—The principal roads.

Manchester—Covered by Federal scouts, so only partially scouted by State men.

#### TOLLAND COUNTY:

#### Mansfield—2 nests.

Only two nests were found as the result of scouting all of the roads in this town. One of these was found on the South Coventry road near the town line, while the other was in the southwest corner of the town.

#### Columbia—I nest.

All of the roads in Coventry, Hebron, Bolton and Andover were scouted but no nests were found.

#### WINDHAM COUNTY:

#### Windham—7 nests.

This town, which includes the city of Willimantic, was thoroughly scouted and seven scattered nests found, only one of which was in the city. Three nests were taken in the north part of the town and two near the Franklin line on the farm of Mr. Chamberlain. The remaining nest was found near the Poor Farm.

Putnam, Thompson, Woodstock, and Pomfret, which have been found badly infested the last two years, were not scouted this winter. One man, however, visited the sections which were badly infested last year and estimated the number of nests to be about 15 per cent. of the number found in 1913.

#### New London County:

#### Franklin—5 nests.

The roads in this town were all scouted, and although no nests were found here a year ago, five were cut there this season. Three of these were taken near the Windham line, in the north part of the town. At Franklin Station one was found, and the fifth came from the southern part near the Norwich line.

#### Lebanon—13 nests.

In scouting Lebanon all of the roads were covered and 13 nests cut. Near Lebanon Station, which is very near the Franklin line, 8 nests were found, three of them being about one-half mile south of the Station on the farm of Mrs. E. J. Warner. The others were also found in the same section of the town but nearer the Bozrah line, one being within a mile of Bozrahville.

#### Sprague—2 nests.

Only the western roads of this town were scouted and two nests were found.

#### Bozrah—3 nests.

The villages of Fitchville, Bozrah Street and Bozrahville and all connecting roads were scouted with the result that three nests were found. Two of these were in Bozrah Street and the third was found in the southern part of the town near the Montville line.

#### Norwich—169 nests.

In 1913 only two nests were found in the town of Norwich, both being within the city limits. This year in scouting the entire town a marked increase was noted, 169 nests being found. The city of Norwich contained the most of them, 115 nests being cut within the city limits. The remaining nests were near the various villages, of which there are several in the town. In Greenville and vicinity 22 nests were found, while at Occum 18 were taken and 10 more in and about Norwich town. The last four were cut in Taftville.

#### Colchester—2 nests.

All the territory within the limits of this town was scouted and two nests were found. These were widely separated, one being in the northwestern section of the town and the other in the southern part near the Salem line.

#### Salem—I nest.

Only one nest was found as a result of scouting all of the roads in Salem. This nest was found at Salem Street about one-half mile north of the church.

## Montville—9 nests.

The entire town of Montville, which includes the villages of Chesterfield, Uncasville, Montville, Fair Oaks, Massapeag and Mohegan, was scouted. Two nests were found in the village of Massapeag and two more in the village of Montville. Single nests were taken at Uncasville, Raymond Hill, Fair Oaks and on the Salem Road. The road south toward Waterford yielded two more, making a total of nine nests found in the town of Montville.

#### Waterford—168 nests.

This was one of the few coast towns in which anything resembling a colony of brown-tail moths was found. Near Durfy Hill in the southwestern part of the town 156 nests were cut on three adjoining farms. Twelve other scattering nests were found in this town, two on Millstone Point and 6 on the turnpike leading to New London. In the central portion of Waterford no nests were found, but in the eastern part, on the road leading to Montville four more were taken, making a total of 168 nests for Waterford.

## New London—34 nests.

All of the territory in this city was scouted and resulted in finding 34 nests. Here again the nests were so well distributed that no one locality can be mentioned as having a bad infestation. If any section contained fewer nests than another it was that in the vicinity of Ocean Beach, but this can be explained by the lack of fruit trees in that section.

#### Ledyard—14 nests.

Fourteen scattered nests were the result of scouting the entire town of Ledyard. In the southeastern part of the town six nests were taken along the Norwich road. At Ledyard Center two nests were found and three more on the road leading north from this point. The three other nests were found along the road which leads to North Stonington.

#### Groton—103 nests.

In this town a very large percentage of the nests taken were found along the coast and in the valley of the Mystic River. This section also contains the greater part of the population, for it in-

cludes the villages of Mystic, Old Mystic, Noank, Poquonoc Bridge and Groton. Ninety-one of the 103 in Groton were found in these villages and along connecting roads. The remaining 12 were scattered through the central portion of the town, six being a little west of Burnett's corners, two at Center Groton, and four on the main road between Groton and Center Groton.

## Stonington—50 nests.

The brown-tail work done in this town was in connection with the gypsy moth scouting, and the 50 nests found were, therefore, in the southern part of the town near the borough of Stonington. A small colony of twenty nests was taken from a few pear trees at Dr. Thurber's on Water Street, but the others were widely separated.

#### East Lyme—13 nests.

Flanders Village, Niantic, East Lyme and all of the main roads in this town were scouted and 13 nests were found, all of them south of the Shore Line trolley tracks. Two were found in the village of Niantic and six on the road north from there to Flanders Village. The other four were found, two each on Black Point and along the turnpike near Flanders.

#### Old Lyme—64 nests.

All of the roads in this town were scouted and 64 nests were found near the village of Blackhall. A colony of 58 nests was found on the farm of Mr. John DeWolf about one-half mile south of the Lyme and Blackhall station. The other six nests were taken from neighboring farms.

#### Lyme.

The southern roads of this town, including the village of Hamburg and vicinity, were scouted but no nests were found.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY:

#### Old Saybrook—I nest.

The entire town of Old Saybrook was scouted but no nests were found, although the Federal scouts found one on College Street.

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East Haddam, including the various villages and principal roads were scouted. The main roads in Portland and Chatham and a few of the roads in Cromwell were also covered. In Middletown the central portion of the city and streets along the various railroad lines were covered, but in none of these towns were any nests found.

#### NESTS TAKEN DURING 1914

HARTFORD COUNTY.		NEW LONDON COUNTY.
Granby	T	Lebanon12
Simsbury	4	Franklin 5
Suffield		Sprague 2
W. Hartford	I	Colchester 2
E. Hartford	48	Bozrah 3
Hartford	94	Norwich169
		Salem I
TOLLAND COUNTY.		Montville
Mansfield	2	Ledyard 14
Columbia	T	Groton103
	1	Waterford168
WINDHAM COUNTY.		New London 34
		East Lyme
Windham	7	Stonington 50
MIDDLESEX COUNTY.		Old Lyme 64
Old Saybrook(reported)	I	Total831

#### THE CABBAGE ROOT MAGGOT.

Phorbia brassicæ Bouché.

Order Diptera: Family Anthomyiidæ.

By Quincy S. Lowry.

Growers of cabbages, cauliflowers and allied plants are more or less bothered by the cabbage root maggot, which feeds on the roots of plants belonging to the Cruciferæ or Mustard family, causing serious damage to those which are cultivated as crops.

#### DISTRIBUTION.

This pest, like several others of the most serious pests of this country, was introduced from Europe some seventy-odd years ago, and was first studied in this country by Dr. Harris, in 1835. It made its first appearance in Massachusetts, and has gradually spread, until now it is undoubtedly injurious in every state where

its food plants are grown. It has been recognized as a serious pest in Europe, since the early part of the nineteenth century, especially in England and Germany. Already it has been reported from nearly every state in the United States, and as early as 1885 Fletcher reported it as destroying from 25% to 75% of the cauliflowers in Canada.

#### LIFE HISTORY.

- (a) The egg of the cabbage maggot is about 1/25 of an inch in length (plate XII, a, twice enlarged) slightly curved in outline, somewhat pointed at the ends, and is white or yellowish white in color. These eggs are deposited on or just below the surface of the ground, near the stem of the plant; each female is capable of laying from 50 to 60 eggs. As the ovipositor of the female is soft, it is not capable of puncturing the tissues of the food plant and is forced to deposit the eggs on the ground. If the female can find a crevice near the stem of the plant she will crawl just beneath the surface of the ground and deposit her eggs as closely as possible to the stem of the plant. The egg is quite delicate, and, therefore, must be laid where it will receive no injury, and as the young maggot is helpless it will perish unless the egg is close to the plant, which supplies its food. If the eggs are laid on the surface of the ground and allowed to stay in the sun, they will soon dry up. The period of the egg-stage varies, from four to ten days. In this locality the eggs are generally found from May 1st to 15th, according to weather conditions. This year the first eggs were collected May 18th, this being a late spring, having frost enough on May 1st and 2nd to injure some of the larger leaves of the young cabbage plants. Most of the eggs found at this time (May 18th) were just beneath the soil near the stem of the plant-two eggs were found attached to the base of a leaf which had been covered with soil. (See plate XII, a.)
- (b) The (larva) maggot is white or yellowish in color, cylindrical in outline, and is always footless. The posterior end bears two spiracles and is surrounded by twelve conical tubercules, the middle two being slightly cleft. The anterior (pointed) end bears the mouth opening, which is surrounded by fleshy lip-like prominences and contains two dark hook-like structures. These are connected interiorly with a chitinous framework which serves for muscular attachment. This is the only means the maggot has to

secure its food. Although it cannot bite, it is, however, capable of scraping the soft tissue of the plant, breaking up the plant cells. Following this injury decay immediately sets in, causing a further softening of the plant tissue and making it easier for the maggots to penetrate. On each side of the body, just back of the head, is a dark spot, which consists of ten fan-like lobes.

The maggot reaches its growth in from three to four weeks, and then is slightly over one-quarter of an inch long. In 1914, the first maggots were found and brought to the laboratory on May 22nd.

Sometimes cabbage plants become infested in the seed-bed, and, therefore, all plants should be examined before setting in the field. While setting some plants at the Experiment Station Farm at Mt. Carmel, June 6th, several plants were found thus infested. All seed-beds should be examined carefully before the plants are set, thus preventing what would result in a great loss to the crop.

- (c) When the maggot is full grown it generally leaves its food plant (very often it is found in the galleries it has made in the stem) going into the earth for an inch or so away from the root of the plant upon which it has been feeding. It is unlike most insects, in that it does not separate from its own skin when it pupates, but uses it as a protection while changing to the so-called pupa. It is of a brownish color, varying from light to dark brown, and elliptical ovate in form. In Connecticut these pupæ can usually be found about the middle of June. This year the first pupæ were collected June 8th. The pupæ are about one-fourth of an inch in length or a trifle shorter than the full-grown maggot. Plate XII, b.
- (d) The adult is known as the fly of the cabbage root maggot. It resembles the common house fly but is considerably smaller. It has two wings (placing it in the order Diptera) which extend farther back beyond the end of the body and when the fly closes its wings over its back they shut farther over each other than the wings of the common house fly. See plate XII, b.

The fly, especially the female, has no special markings, making it difficult to distinguish it from the other common Anthomyians, unless found with its male. The female is much lighter in color than the male, and is quite bristled, but not as much as the male. The male fly is dark gray in color, having the abdomen and thorax quite distinctly striped with rather broad blackish stripes. The

legs are black and strongly bristled. The body of the male is very bristly, this being its chief character. On the underside of each hind femur is a tuft of these bristles, by means of which one may distinguish it from allied species. The abdomen is narrow and tapering, being cylindrical in form. The eyes occupy most of the head and nearly touch each other.

The first brood of flies appear early in the spring, the first being captured this year April 30th. As to the number of broods it has been agreed by several entomologists that there are at least three, and, possibly, four broods annually.

The first brood works on the early varieties of cabbage, turnip, radish, etc., usually causing the most damage. This year the maggot was not very abundant in the fields where experiments were carried on. Some turnips were planted at the Station farm adjoining the cabbage plant. They were examined on May 23rd and found to be quite badly infested. On June 25th, when harvested, the injuries had grown over, but they appeared unsightly.

A second brood has been recorded as appearing the middle of June and the maggots feeding on cabbages and turnips during July. During July most of the food plants, such as early cabbages, radishes and turnips, are harvested, and, therefore, it is a question as to what the third and fourth broods have to feed on. Late cabbage has been reported as being damaged more or less, but in Connecticut they are seldom attacked, and only the early crop is seriously injured. In 1891, a large field of turnips, in Ithaca, N. Y., were greatly damaged, and maggots were feeding on them as late as October 2nd. It is, therefore, evident that there is a third brood, and possibly a fourth brood of this pest.

On November 5, 1914, a field of late Swedish turnips, or rutabagas, belonging to Mr. A. E. Plant of Branford, Conn., was inspected. Nearly every root showed more or less injury by maggots, resembling that caused by the cabbage root maggot. Adjoining this field Mr. Plant had a field of early turnips which had been destroyed by maggots, and the crop was a complete failure. Several maggots were found feeding at this time on the late turnips and brought to the laboratory in order to secure adults. The maggots are undoubtedly of a late brood of the cabbage root maggot.

The flies are known to hibernate in rubbish, holes and crevices for the winter. It has also been recorded that the pest passes the

winter in both the larval and pupal stages. The general belief is that the most common form in which the winter is passed is the puparium stage, although it's passed in all three stages—the maggot, puparium and the adult.

#### FOOD PLANTS.

The cabbage root maggot confines its food chiefly to the Cruciferæ or Mustard family. Cabbages, cauliflowers, radishes, turnips, brussels sprouts, kales and collards, being the most common food of the pest. It also feeds on some mustard-like weeds, the hedge mustard, Sisymbrium officinale, and the common winter cress, Barbarea vulgaris.

#### ENEMIES.

Chickens are sometimes turned into an infested field and destroy many maggots, but they generally cause considerable damage to the plants themselves. A small hymenopterous parasite, a Cynipid. belonging to the genus Trybliographa, has been found to work on this pest. One of the Staphylinidæ, or Rove beetles was found in 1870 by Mr. Sprague and described as Aleochara anthomyiæ. Some rove beetles were found this year attacking maggots. In 1887 another enemy was found in Michigan, in the form of a mite, a species of Trombidium, three of which sucked on an average of 28 eggs per day. A four-winged Ichneumon, Alysia manducator, Panzer, belonging to the order Hymenoptera, family Ichneumonidæ, known as the Ichneumon-flies, lives in the pupæ of flies allied to Anthomyidæ in Europe. It transforms in a thin vellow case within the pupa and emerges during the summer. It has often been found about decaying turnips, and, therefore, it may be a general parasite of these flies.

#### METHODS OF CONTROL.

#### Cultural Practices.

To obtain the best results cabbages should not be planted on ground that has previously been infested with maggots. This will not prevent the attack, but on new ground there is less damage from hibernating flies near infested territory. The adult has a tendency to hibernate in old stumps and rubbish near where the attack has been made the previous season. It will not travel

far beyond the infestation if it can find a sheltered place in which to hibernate.

Rotation of crops is strongly recommended on ground that has been infested, using care that such crops are other than those of plants belonging to the Cruciferæ family, or onions.

Clean culture is most important in controlling the cabbage maggot, as well as several other pests infesting truck crops. During the season, clean culture will lessen the attack, especially if all weeds of the Cruciferæ family are destroyed. In the fall all refuse should be removed from the field, such as the stumps, and burned. If this is practiced, the attack the following spring will be greatly lessened.

It has been stated by Riley and Fletcher, that fall plowing will undoubtedly destroy many pupæ, and, therefore, lessen the attack the following spring. These cultural methods are only recommendations and help to some extent. In Connecticut, however, they are not sufficient means of control, some artificial means being necessary.

#### Artificial Applications.

#### Tarred Paper Disks.

Tarred paper disks have been used and recommended since 1889 and have up to the present time proved to be the one best mechanical method of preventing the adult fly from laying its eggs on or near the plant. Many other repellents have been tested out from time to time and have proved to be either ineffective or too expensive. No injury to the plant is caused by these disks, and once applied they are effective for the season and require less attention than any other method of control thus far recommended.

The idea of using paper disks originated with Professor W. W. Tracy of Detroit, Michigan, who tried manila paper, which proved unsuccessful. Professor E. S. Goff of the Wisconsin Station, tried one-ply tarred disks, which have since proved successful. Later, Slingerland conducted some experiments with tarred paper disks on Long Island, N. Y. In 1908 tarred paper disks were tried by this Station at Mt. Carmel and Branford, with favorable results.

The disks are not a destructive method of control but act as a preventive. They are made with a tool devised by Professor Goff, which will cut a six-sided card with a slit reaching from the

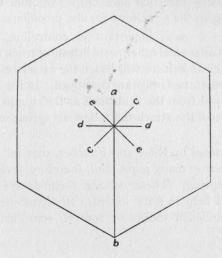


Fig. 4. Hexagonal disk of tarred paper for use on stems of cabbage plants.

center of one side to the center of the disk and with a star-shaped cut at the center. (See plates X, b, XI, b, and figures 4, 5 and 6.)

This cut at the center is made so that the disk will fit closely around the stems of different sized plants. The six-sided disks are used for convenience and economy in making. These disks should be applied as soon as the plants are set in order that the adult fly will have no chance to lay its eggs beforehand.

To apply, slip the disk around the plant through the slit from the side to the center. It is very essential that the disks be applied properly. They should fit tightly around the stem of the plant and rest flat on the ground so that the fly cannot crawl beneath the disk and lay her eggs near the stem of the plant. Care must be taken, when cultivating, not to cover the disks with too much soil; if this is the case their effectiveness will be lost.

The disks are easily made with the tool (Plate XI, b.) one man being able to cut from 300 to 500 disks per hour. Enough paper can be bought for fifteen cents to make 1,000 disks.

One-ply tarred paper is used in the making of these disks with the tool (Plate XI, b); the paper being cut along at the edge at the start, with one angle of the tool. Starting on the left hand side the second cut is made by placing the cutting edge as shown by dotted line in figure 5.

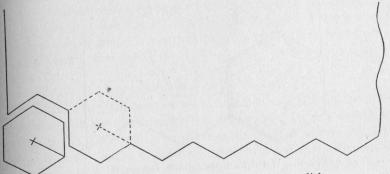


Fig. 5. Diagram showing method of cutting disks.

In 1908, this Station being unable to purchase any ready-made disks devised a method a method of making them, without any special tool. They were cut from a roll of tarred paper, hexagonal in shape and four inches across. Figure 5 and Figure 6 show the method of cutting them. A block of wood hexagonal in form, and one-quarter inch thick was used as a pattern. A tack being driven through to mark the center, and to prevent the form from slipping. The form was placed on the paper and cuts were made around it with a sharp knife. When several disks were cut in this way, they were piled one upon another and the cut a-b made (Fig. 4); with the knife. With a chisel 11/8 inches wide cuts c-c, d-d, e-e, were made. When the first row of disks have been cut from the roll of paper, it will have an edge with regular points, forming two sides on the second row of disks. This method of cutting disks, while being practicable where only a few are needed would not be practicable for large growers of cabbages.

Mr. Farnham of New Haven had a tool made this season cutting the paper three inches square, with a slit from the center of one side to the center of the disk where a circle had been cut. As this circle at the center was cut the same size for all plants, it consquently did not fit snugly around different sized stems, thus

losing the effectiveness of the disk. They did not remain in place as well as the disks used by the Experiment Station and made by Hirsch Bros., of Middle Village, L. I., N. Y.

There are several concerns which sell these disks, the following having been recently recommended: Hirsch Bros., 2257 Metropol-

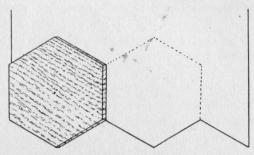


Fig. 6. Wood form for cutting hexagonal disks.

itan Ave., Middle Village, L. I., N. Y.; Smith Bros., Green Bay, Wisconsin, and A. B. Cowles, 25 South Water Street, Rochester, N. Y.

#### Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion.

In the experiments carried on in New York State and in Connecticut, Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion has proved to be one of the most effective methods of control. It acts, not only as a probable preventive, but also kills the eggs and young larvæ of the maggots, if present at the time the application is made.

The emulsion was used according to the formula recommended by the New York (Geneva) Experiment Station.

> Hard soap I lb. or soft soap I qt. Boiling water, I gal. Crude Carbolic Acid, I pt.

The soap is dissolved in the water while boiling hot, the acid is then added and the whole is churned, as in making kerosene emulsion. This emulsion is to be diluted 30 times its bulk of water. If any injury should be caused from the emulsion, dilute still more. Use *crude* carbolic acid as it is cheaper and just as effective.

Mr. W. J. Schoene of the Geneva Station carrier on some very successful experiments determining the effect of this acid emulsion upon the eggs and larvæ of the maggot. In 1913, Mr. Schoene found by his experiments that when Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion was diluted until it contained only .33 per cent. acid it would prevent the eggs of the maggot from hatching. At this strength it was also found to kill the maggots of the first and second instars, also a few of the maggots of the third instar were killed when first molted.

## . Carbon Disulphide.

Carbon disulphide has proved practicable, and is both the most effective and the cheapest method for killing maggots attacking cabbage and cauliflower; for other crops, such as onions and turnips, it would be too expensive. One teaspoonful is sufficient to treat a fair-sized plant, and as this can be purchased in large quantities, from 10 to 12 cents per pound, 10 plants can be treated for one cent. One treatment is sufficient and should be applied in May when the first maggots are found. The method of applying the liquid is to first make a hole with a stick, two or three inches from the stem on the surface and slanting towards and underneath the roots. Pour the liquid into this hole and close it at once with the foot. Do not have the liquid come in direct contact with the roots, and care should be taken not to breathe the fumes as it is very poisonous. The fumes will penetrate through the soil around the plant and kill the maggots. The "McGowen Injector" was devised for this purpose and was recommended by Slingerland as the most effective method of applying the liquid, but at the present time it is not on the market.

## Kerosene Emulsion.

Kerosene Emulsion has been recommended as a method for the control of the maggot. The following formula, recommended by this Station, was used in our experiments this season:

2 gal. Kerosene ½ lb. Common soap 1 gal. Water.

Dissolve the soap in hot water, add the kerosene and churn together until a white creamy mass is formed, which thickens on cooling. Dilute nine times before using. Although this emul-

sion will probably not be as effective and practicable as the carbon disulphide, or the crude carbolic acid emulsion, it has nevertheless, proved quite effective if applied properly. Two or three applications for cauliflower and cabbage is recommended, while for onions several applications are necessary. In several cases injury to the plants has been reported from the use of it.

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#### Corrosive Sublimate.

In an article in the Market Grower's Journal, May 1, 1914, Mr. J. Peterson, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, states that corrosive sublimate applied to cabbage as soon as there are any indications of maggots, will prove very effective. Two applications were made and applied with a watering can, from which the rose had been removed, at the rate of one teacupful to a plant.

Formula used: Four ounces of corrosive sublimate to 55 gallons of water. One man being able to treat 1,000 plants in three hours.

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## FIELD EXPERIMENTS IN CONTROLLING THE CAB-BAGE ROOT MAGGOT IN 1914.

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Experiments in controlling the cabbage root maggot were conducted in three places in 1914, as follows: At the Station farm, Mt. Carmel, on the truck farms of Mr. A. N. Farnham, New Haven, and Mr. W. G. Griswold, Wethersfield, to whom we are indebted for their kind help and co-operation.

The following materials were used:

1. Tarred paper disks.

- 2. Sludge, (residue from manufacture of lime-sulphur mix-ture.)
  - 3. Kerosene Emulsion.
  - 4. Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion.
  - 5. Naphthalene (Moth balls.)
  - 6. Fish Oil. (With sand and with sawdust.)
  - 7. Sirenia Oil.
  - 8 Cresol.

The details of the treatment are given in the following pages:

## EXPERIMENTS AT MR. FARNHAM'S, NEW HAVEN.

The field where these tests were made is located between Derby Avenue and Chapel Street and nearly west of the new Yale Bowl. It is one of many fields devoted to the growing of truck crops by Mr. A. N. Farnham. The plants were grown by Mr. Farnham, and were set by his men, on April 22nd, in rows three feet apart and 465 feet long, extending northeast and southwest. The plants were set 18 inches apart, and 310 in a row. About 30,000 plants were set on the whole field.

Five rows, containing approximately 1,550 plants, on the east side of the field were placed at our disposal for experimental tests. The varieties were Early Jersey Wakefield and Early Flat Head, and the plants showed no signs of being infested at time of setting. The rows were divided crosswise into five equal sections, each containing about 310 plants, and treated as follows:

Section I.	Section II.	Section III.	Section IV.	Section V.
Tarred paper disks.	Check.	Crued Carbolic Emulsion 3-applications.	Sludge 2-applications.	Kerosene Emulsion 2-applications.

On June 26th, after the insects had done most of its damage for the year, all plants were examined and records made.

Section I. The disks were applied the same day that the plants were set and were of the hexagonal type, described on page 147. Five plants out of 307, or 1.6 per cent., were afterwards killed by maggots. This is as small a proportion as was obtained from any treatment in our experiments this season.

Sec. II. Section II, adjoining the tarred paper disk section was left untreated as a check. Here 28 plants out of 308 or 9.1 per cent, were subsequently killed by maggots.

SEC. III. Treated with Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion, prepared according to the formula used and recommended by the N. Y. (Geneva) Experiment Station, and described on page 150 of this report. This emulsion was applied the day following the setting of the plants, April 23rd, using about 3 ounces to each plant. (This emulsion has been recommended to apply about the base of the plant the day after setting and to repeat every ten days until about May 25th, and to use ½ cupful to each plant, pouring it about the roots with a sprinkler.) On May 4th and May 22nd, second and third applications of Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion were given to this section, making three in all. There was no apparent injury from the emulsion, and the total number of plants killed by maggots was five, or 1.6 per cent., the same as where the tarred paper disks were used, these two treatments giving the best results.

SEC. IV. Sludge. This is a residue of lime and sulphur having the form of a gray paste, and was applied to the plants of this section April 27th. The following analysis was made by the Chemical department of this Station:

Water26	.53
Oxides of iron and alumina	.40
Lime28	.82
Magnesia 3	.76
Free sulphur	.27
Sulphur as S O 3 (Sulphate) 2	
Sulphur as S O 2 (Sulphite and thiosulphate) 13	.66
No sulphides present.	

A mixture of sulphate (very small) sulphite and thiosulphate of lime and magnesia with carbonates.

The sludge, as received from the manufacturer, was diluted about five times its bulk with water, 3 ounces being used for each plant. The paste was applied with a ladle around the base of the plant and was very easy to prepare and apply. When it dries it hardens, forming a disk-like coating about 4 inches in diameter around the stem of the plant on the surface of the ground. On May 21st, a second treatment was given. On May 27th, when a comparison was made of the entire five sections, this section treated with sludge, had by far the best looking plants, as one glanced over the field. Mention should also be made that cut worms did the least damage in this section. The total number of plants killed by maggots were 10 out of 302, or 3.3 per cent.

SEC. V. Kerosene Emulsion, was applied to this section, using the standard formula from the Spray Calendar of this Station as follows:

 Kerosene
 2 gals.

 Common soap
 ½ lb.

 Water
 1 gal.

Dissolve the soap in hot water, add the kerosene and churn together until a white creamy mass is formed, which thickens on cooling. Dilute this emulsion nine times before using.

On April 30th the first application was made, using two ounces to each plant, applied with a ladle. On May 22nd a second treatment was given. When examined, May 27th, this section compared unfavorably with the other sections and had much smaller plants, and more had been killed by maggots. Possibly some injury was caused by the emulsion, as the total number of plants killed was 52, or 16.7 per cent. more than in any other section.

The following results, therefore, were obtained this year at Mr. A. N. Farnham's.

SUMMARY OF RESULTS AT MR. FA	RNHAM	S
Treatment.	Re	esults.
Tarred Paper Disks	1.6%	Maggoty
Crude Carbolic Acid Emulsion	1.6%	"
Lime Sulphur Sludge		
Kerosene Emulsion		"
Check		

## EXPERIMENTS AT STATION FARM, MT. CARMEL.

A small plat of ground, on which cabbages have not been grown for many years, being assigned for this work, plants were purchased from a local dealer and set May 6th and 7th, 18 inches apart in 20 rows, extending east and west, and containing 54 plants each. Beginning on the lower or north side, rows 1-4 were treated with tarred paper disks: rows 5-10 received sludge prepared as described on page 154; rows 11-14 untreated, as a check; rows 15-17, fish oil, mixed with sand on row 15, and on rows 16 and 17 the same kind of oil was mixed with sawdust. In each case a handful of the material was scattered around each plant on the surface of the ground; rows 18-20, naphthalene (moth balls) a ball being placed 1½ inches from the stem of the plant and pressed firmly into the soil.

The plants mentioned above were of the Early Jersey Wake-field variety. When setting it was noticed that some of the plants showed that they were infested with "Club-root," a fungous disease, and were discarded. Some affected plants must have been overlooked, because this trouble afterward became so bad as to spoil the results of the experiments.

The 20 rows did not fill the ground available, so on May 16th five rows of a later variety of cabbage called "Succession" and four rows of "Snowball" cauliflower were set.

On rows 21 and 22 of cabbage sludge was used, as on rows 5-10, mentioned above. Row 23 was treated with an oil called "Sirenia" designed "for driving flies from horses and cattle." This oil has a strong odor, and one pint was mixed with four pints of sawdust, and a handful scattered around the stem of each plant in the same manner as the fish oil on rows 15-17, mentioned above. On rows 24 and 25 an emulsion of Cresol (Merck) U. S. P., diluted 30 times, was applied by pouring from a ladle, about three ounces around each plant. The next day the plants were all dead. The ground was dug up and on May 19th more "Succession" plants were set but left untreated. Of the four remaining rows planted to cauliflower, row 26 was treated with sludge, row 27, left as a check, rows 28 and 29 were treated with kerosene emulsion.

The late-planted cabbages and cauliflower plants were not greatly injured by maggots and nearly all produced good heads. There was no apparent injury from the treatment, except in case of Cresol, which has been mentioned.

The early-set plants, however, were so badly attacked by "Clubroot" that many plants died, and though some of these were also attacked by maggots, no accurate record could be made regarding the amount of damage caused by that insect.

EXPERIMENTS ON MR. GRISWOLD'S FARM, WETHERSFIELD.

On May 19th, Mr. Lowry visited "Fair View Farm," owned by Mr. W. G. Griswold, Wethersfield. Early Jersey Wakefield plants had been set a few days before, and though no maggot injury was apparent wire-worms had already caused considerable damage. A section of the field was placed at our disposal for experiment. On one end of the first two rows, 500 tarred paper

disks were placed. The third row was left untreated, as a check, and on the fourth row sludge was applied to 250 plants.

There was very little damage from maggots to the field as a whole. When examined on July 3rd, plants were missing from these rows as follows:

Row	I.	Tarred paper disks	 	 17 plants.
		" " "		
"	3.	Check	 	 24 "
"	4.	Sludge	 	 36 "

The cause of the missing plants, as has already been explained, was chiefly due to the attack of wire-worms instead of the cabbage maggot.

The only positive results of these tests may be seen in the summary of results at Mr. Farnham's on page 155, from which it appears that the tarred paper disks and the carbolic acid emulsion are about equally effective in preventing damage from maggots, and that sludge is fairly satisfactory.

In tests made at the Station farm, Mt. Carmel in 1913, the tarred paper disks reduced the injury to one-half of one per cent., though the untreated plants showed 12 per cent. injury.

Directions for making these disks at home and information about purchasing them are given on page 147.

#### OUTBREAK OF THE ARMY WORM.

Heliophila unipuncta Haw.

Order Lepidoptera: Family Noctuidæ.

In 1896 the army worm appeared in Connecticut at Hartford, Springdale, New Haven, and probably other places, and a brief account of the outbreak may be found in the report of this Station for that year, page 236.

On July 20, 1914, during the writer's vacation absence from the State, it was reported to the office that army worms were abundant and devouring the grass on lawns, as well as corn, in private gardens in New Haven. Mr. Walden, who was in charge of the office, gave directions for treatment and sent Mr. Zappe to investigate the report. In a garden owned by Mr. Kligerman at 334 York Street, Mr. Zappe helped the owner to spray his corn with lead arsenate, 1 oz. in a gallon of water, and to spray the ground with kerosene. The next day when Mr. Zappe examined

the garden, he found many dead army worms. The following day, July 21st, it was reported that this insect was present on the grounds of Mr. Morton F. Plant at Groton, and that Professor G. H. Lamson, Jr., of the Connecticut Agricultural College at Storrs, had visited the place and had directed Mr. Plant's men in their efforts to control the pest. On July 23rd the army worm was said to be causing great damage in Bridgeport, and the Associated Press telephoned to this office for information. During the next week, or ten days, newspapers each day gave accounts of injury in some part of the State.

Mr. Walden prepared a brief account of the pest, giving control methods, which was published in the *Connecticut Farmer*, issue of July 25th.

The writer returned to Connecticut, Saturday, July 25, and took up his duties at the office on the 27th, when the telephone calls and letters about the army worm were the most abundant.

On July 27, Mr. Walden visited the farm of Mr. H. B. Clark in New Canaan, where considerable injury had already been done to a 5-acre field of oats. Along the east side and north end, many of the leaves and heads had been eaten off. The owner had plowed a furrow around the field to keep the worms from the corn field and the garden, and had sprayed a few rows of corn with poison. At this time the worms were less abundant than two days before, and were apparently under control.

On July 28, the writer visited "Fairlea Farm," owned by Mr. Wilson H. Lee, in Orange. The worms were abundant in three oat fields where in spots they had devoured all the leaves and had eaten off the heads which had dropped to the ground, leaving only the bare stalks. They were also present in grass fields and some were found on alfalfa, though apparently they had not been feeding upon it. They had commenced to attack the corn along one side of the field, but had not caused much damage to it. A part of the worms had already gone into the ground and transformed to pupæ. Many birds, especially starlings, barn swallows and English sparrows, were abundant on the field and were apparently eating the worms. Many worms were collected and brought to the laboratory: forty per cent. of these had Tachinid eggs fastened on their backs near the head. Clusters of small hymenopterous cocoons were present in great abundance, particularly under piles of straw where the worms congregated in large numbers coiled up

like cut worms, to which they are closely related. Dead and diseased worms were common on stalks of grass and alfalfa, having been attacked by a "wilt" disease. Specimens were collected of all these parasitized caterpillars, and the parasites causing their death are mentioned under Natural Enemies, on page 166.

On July 31, Mr. Walden visited the farm of Mr. I. H. Todd, Centerville, where an acre field of millet had been completely stripped of leaves and heads, leaving only the stalks. The worms were about through feeding, and the contracted larvæ and pupæ were found in the soil where they had gone to transform. There was considerable evidence of the presence of Tachinid parasites. A corn field near by had not been damaged.

At one place in Orange the worms were reported as attacking corn, oats and melons, and in Cheshire they were feeding upon wheat.

Circular letters were prepared giving a brief account of the insect and how to control it, and copies were sent to all known addresses of those who had written or telephoned to this office about the army worm. A shorter abstract was given to the press associations, and a more complete article with illustrations, was prepared by the writer and sent on August 10 to the Rural New Yorker, wherein it was published in two instalments, in the issue of August 22, page 1027, and August 29, page 1047.

The outbreak was not confined to Connecticut, but occurred throughout the Northeastern States as far west as the Mississippi River. From newspaper reports it was present in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and Michigan. Its attack was said to be particularly severe on Long Island, in Maryland, and also in Michigan, where the damage was estimated at \$1,000,000.00.

#### Localities Infested.

Specimens of the worms were received from several places in New Haven, where they were feeding on the grass of lawns and upon corn; from East Haven, on corn; Bridgeport, on grass; Hartford, on corn; Colchester, on rye; New London, on grass; and from Stamford, on oats. By telephone, or letter, the army worm was reported also from North Haven, Orange, Hamden, Cheshire, Foxon, Old Lyme, Moosup, Northfield, Newtown, Fairfield and New Canaan. Mr. Davis reports the insect present in

Stonington, North Stonington and Waterford. Newspapers printed reports of its occurrence at Groton and Monroe. Subsequent additional reports have been given verbally for Milford, Hebron, Lebanon and Salisbury.

Army worm moths were received from Stony Creek and from Southington the last week in August. No doubt the insect was present in every town in the State. If not abundant, however, there would be little or no injury, and it would escape notice altogether.

#### FORMER OUTBREAKS.

Occasional outbreaks of the army worm have occurred in the United States, during the past 172 years, the first of which we have any record being in 1743, of which the Reverend Thomas Smith of Falmouth, Me., wrote in his diary under date of June 27th. "There are millions of worms in armies appearing and threatening to cut off every green thing: people are exceedingly alarmed." Other outbreaks have been recorded as follows: In 1762, some kind of worms, probably army worms, were exceedingly numerous in Massachusetts and ate up the corn. Considerable damage has been recorded in New England by army worms in 1770, and in 1790, "Millions of the same black worm reappeared in Hartford and Norwich, Conn." Then in 1817 "it appeared in Worcester; also in Albany."

In Illinois, army worms appeared in 1818 or 1820, 1825, 1826, 1834, 1835, 1838, 1839, 1841, 1842, 1845, 1849, 1850, 1856, 1858, 1861, 1865, 1869, 1871, 1872 and 1875, though usually not in the same locality in successive years. It appeared in Missouri in 1854 and in Ohio in 1855.

The outbreak of 1861 seems to be one of the worst on record and reached from Maine westward to Kansas, and as far south as Tennessee.

In 1865, 1866, 1869 and 1872, the insect appeared in Missouri; in 1869 in Indiana and in 1871 and 1872 in Iowa. In 1872 outbreaks occurred in Wisconsin, Ohio, Kentucky and New York. In 1875, the outbreak was even more widespread, and in 1880 the worms caused considerable damage in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut.

The army worm is also recorded as appearing in Nebraska in 1888, in Michigan in 1897, in New Jersey in 1889, 1896 and 1906,

and in Kentucky in 1908. The 1896 invasion was one of the worst in the history of New York State, and also extended through Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Pennsylvania, and into Michigan and Iowa.

## FOOD PLANTS AND DAMAGE.

The chief damage is done to crops of the grass family including the cereals and corn. The worms eat the leaf-blades and often the heads of the grass or grain, leaving only the stalks. Many oat fields in Connecticut this season were thus stripped of their leaves; the heads were also eaten off and fell to the ground. The writer saw a five-acre oat field similarly injured in 1896, at Hartford; the caterpillars in marching to the adjoining field literally covered the ground over an area perhaps twenty feet wide and more than a hundred feet long. Within this area it was impossible to walk without crushing a dozen or more caterpillars at each step. One could actually hear them crawl upon the ground. Thus when in search of food, army worms will attack fields of corn and many kinds of garden vegetables, which are not ordinarily their first choice. In some places cranberries have been severely injured by them. Clover and alfalfa are not often greatly damaged, yet in New Jersey in 1880 there were cases where the army worm seemed to prefer clover. They seldom attack trees and have only once been recorded as eating the leaves of fruit trees.

During the present season, at least in Connecticut, they were not sufficiently abundant to cause them to migrate from one field to another in large numbers; they were able to get plenty of food in the fields where they were hatched, and in most cases without eating all of it. Oats, barley, rye, wheat, grass, corn and millet were the principal crops damaged.

Like cutworms, to which they are closely allied, army worms feed mostly at night and hide under something near the ground during the day, as shown on plate XIV, b. When the worms are numerous and their food scarce, they are not able to satisfy themselves at night and therefore feed during the daytime.

## IDENTITY OF THE ARMY WORM.

Though periodical outbreaks have occurred since 1743, it was not until 1855 or more than one hundred and ten years after

the first recorded outbreak, that the adult moths were first reared by Mr. J. Kirkpatrick in Ohio. In 1861 the life history was worked out by Doctors Walsh and Thomas in Illinois, Dr. Fitch in New York State, and by several others less well known as entomologists. Though the synonymy was very complicated, Dr. Fitch finally succeeded in proving that this species is identical with Leucania unipuncta of Haworth, and in most of the literature the army worm still appears under this name. Some writers, however, especially in the later publications, adopted Hubner's generic name Heliophila for this species. The name unipuncta was probably given to this moth on account of the small white discal spot near the center of each fore-wing, much more prominent in the female than in the male. Dyar's "List of North American Lepidoptera" includes thirty-six other species of the genus Heliophila, fifteen of which are found along the Atlantic

The common name "Army Worm" refers to the habit of the caterpillars when abundant, after devastating one field of marching en masse onward like an army, seeking another to devour.

There are two other kinds of army worms, the "Wheat Head Army Worm, Heliophila (Leucania) albilinea Hbn., which attacks and eats off the heads of grain at the time of ripening, and the "Fall Army Worm" Laphygma frugiperda S & A., which appears in September and devours grass, millet, grains, corn and some other crops. The "Fall Army Worm" was described and figured in the Report of this Station for 1912, page 284, and plate XIV.

## DISTRIBUTION.

Slingerland states \*that although a native of North America, the army worm is now known to occur in South America, England, Australia, New Zealand, India, Java and Madeira, but is not destructive in these countries.

Dyar's "List of North American Lepidoptera" gives H. unipuncta as occurring in the Atlantic States, but according to the records mentioned under "Former Outbreaks" on page 160, it has caused damage as far west as Kansas and Nebraska. This insect is common in the Southern States,† though according to some writers it is seldom injurious there. Slingerland quotes:

without giving the authority, that it is injurious as a pest in the Gulf region from Texas to Alabama, but east of the Blue Ridge Mountains it causes little damage south of North Carolina.

It has been believed by some entomologists that because the caterpillars have not been seen early in the season and the moths appear in swarms, that the species winters only in the South and that the moths migrate northward in large numbers and then lay eggs which develop into the broods of caterpillars which cause the damage. This theory has not been proven, however, and there is some evidence to the contrary. For instance, Dr. Thomas shows\* that the moths have been captured in Illinois as early as April 2, and that the larvæ have been seen as early as April 20th. In Missouri the adults appear early in April and the larvæ were noticed during the early part of May.

In the Station collection, besides material collected in 1914, there are adults bearing the following records: New Haven, Conn., 12 May, 1903, H. W. Foote; 5 May, 1905, I August, 1906, B. H. Walden; Hartford, 28 July, from larvæ collected o July, 1906, W. E. Britton; Pemaquid Point, Me., August, 1906, H. W. Foote.

From the foregoing it may be seen that the army worm may be considered as occurring throughout the Eastern United States and westward nearly to the Rocky Mountains. Nevertheless it is true that most of the outbreaks in the New England States have been in July.

## HABITS OF WORMS AND MOTHS.

It has already been mentioned that the worms naturally feed at night and crawl under some shelter near the ground to hide during the day. In ordinary years they feed upon the grasses and weeds which grow in low meadows and swampy places, usually on land not pastured or cultivated. It should be borne in mind that the great destruction caused by them, and the habit of traveling in armies, is unusual, or rather abnormal, and occurs only when they are very abundant and in need of food. They are then one-half or two-thirds grown. During the years intervening they are doubtless present in their natural habitat, prob-

<sup>\*</sup> Cornell Agr. Expt. Station. Bull. 133, 1897.
† Report on Noxious Insects of New York, 6, page 113, 1865.
† Cornell Agr. Expt. Station, Bull. 133, 1897.

<sup>\*</sup>Report State Entomologist of Illinois, 10, pages 5-43, 5 figures, 1881

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ably in nearly every grass field, and are not noticed by man. Nevertheless, they multiply in these places, and increase to such an extent that they finally overflow and attack the cultivated crops in the vicinity. On corn a worm is often found coiled up in the lower part of the cavity in the funnel-shaped top where the new leaves appear.

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The adults, when abundant, are attracted by lights, and fairly swarmed around some of the electric lights in New Haven on August 19 and 20. In the daytime one would find hundreds of them crushed on the walks, some resting on poles or on the sides of buildings or in store windows.

No swarms of moths were noticed at any other time during the season. It might be expected that a swarm late in June, or early in July, would naturally precede such an outbreak of caterpillars. but no such swarm was observed by any members of the entomological staff or reported to the department as occurring in Connecticut.

#### AN ACCOMPANYING SPECIES

During the writer's visit to Fairlea Farm he noticed that there were two species of caterpillars at work on the oats and corn. Besides the army worms there were others having darker diagonal shadings on the dorsal surface of each segment. These were distinct after reaching a certain molting stage (probably the fourth), but in earlier stages were not recognized or distinguished from the army worms.

These caterpillars were placed in separate breeding cages and soon pupated. No adults, however, were obtained. Inflated larvæ sent to the Bureau of Entomology at Washington were identified as the W-marked cut worm Noctua clandestina Harr.

These caterpillars were feeding with the army worms on the same plants and doing the same kind of damage, but in no case where observed were they anything like as abundant as were the army worms.

#### LIFE HISTORY.

The female moth lays upwards of 700 eggs, usually in clusters of 50 or less, placed in the sheath or at the unfolded base of a blade of grass or grain. She seems to prefer the rankest and most vigorous tufts or bunches of grass for this purpose, and after depositing a cluster of eggs covers them with a whitish adhesive substance which holds them together and fastens the edges of the leaf firmly around them. From eight to ten days are required for these eggs to hatch.

The young caterpillars have the habit of looping when they crawl, like Geometrid larvæ, and also spin down on silken threads like canker-worms. Their first food is the egg shells and the glutinous substance covering them, which are wholly devoured before vegetation is attacked. After feeding for a few days, the caterpillars molt and in the second larval stage, as in the first, they are loopers. But after molting the second time, they lose this habit. They molt five times before reaching caterpillar maturity, all within a period varying from twenty to thirty days.

The full-grown army worms work their way into the ground an inch or two beneath the surface, and wriggle about, forming cells or cavities in which they transform to the chrysalis stage. From ten to fifteen days later the moths emerge.

The number of annual broods or generations has not yet been definitely settled for this latitude, but there are at least two complete broods and probably a partial third, or perhaps three complete broods, in certain seasons. It is probable that the insect hibernates, or passes the winter as a caterpillar, yet Smith \*records the finding of the moth "during the entire winter in sheltered places." Slingerland† concludes that it does not winter as a moth in the latitude of Ithaca, N. Y. Some entomologists believe that the winter is passed as a chrysalis or pupa, but this has not been demonstrated.

Our own records of adults, taken early in May, would indicate that they passed the winter either as adult moths or as pupæ from which the moths emerged early.

#### DESCRIPTION.

Egg. The egg is white or pale yellow, nearly spherical, almost smooth, but marked with white striæ or ridges, and slightly less than one millimeter in diameter. The eggs are laid in rows in clusters containing from 10 to 50, in the sheath, or in the unfolded leaf, and covered with a transparent gelatinous substance.

<sup>\*</sup>New Jersey Agr. Expt. Station, Report, page 450, 1896.

<sup>†</sup>Cornell Agr. Expt. Station, Bull. 133, p. 249, 1897.

Larva. The caterpillar is about one and one-half inches long, when full grown, though varying from one and a quarter to one and three-fourths inches. The color is generally brown, though varying considerably, and usually shows tints of green or red, much darker above than beneath, and marked dorsally with fine longitudinal lines of white, yellow, or lighter brown. A broader yellow stripe extends along each side just below the region in which the spiracles or breathing pores are situated. The entire under surface is brown but usually lighter than the upper surface. Head light brown, shining with inverted V-shaped mark on face and reticulated margins on the lateral surfaces, of darker brown. Legs light yellowish brown. Prolegs are of same color as under surface, except that each has a transverse dark band on the outer side, and the tip is marked with black on the inner side.

**Chrysalis.** The chrysalis is a naked pupa nearly three-quarters of an inch in length and of a light reddish-brown color with glossy surface. The apex bears a pair of spines which are incurved or coiled at the tips.

Moth. The female moth has a wing-spread of about one and three-fourths inches. The fore-wings are light brown or fawn, more or less mottled, with a white discal spot or dot just beyond the center of each, with a dark streak often rather inconspicuous, nearly bi-secting the apical angle. The rear wings are usually lighter at the base and darker on the outer margins than the forewings. Under surface of fore-wings dark brown in center, with margins and rear wings light brown; rear wings have a black dot near the center. Head, body above and beneath, with legs and antennæ, all of nearly the same color as the upper surface of the fore-wings, though varying somewhat.

The male is smaller than the female, having a wing-expanse of about one and three-eighths inches, paler and more uniform in color on fore and rear wings, and with less conspicuous markings. The under surface is about the same tint as the upper surface.

#### NATURAL ENEMIES.

Domestic fowls and native birds devour large numbers of army worms. Of the birds occurring in Connecticut the most important destroyers of army worms are the blackbirds, starlings, robins, thrushes, bobolinks, catbirds and barn swallows. Even the much despised English sparrow has been observed to feed upon them.

Among other vertebrate animals, hogs, skunks, toads and frogs are known to eat many army worms. Certain predaceous insects like ground beetles, and soldier bugs destroy a limited number of them. The larger ground beetles, Calosoma scrutator Fabr., C. calidum Fabr., C. willcoxi Lec., C. externum Say., and C. frigidum Fabr., are probably the most important for this purpose. We may also expect that the European C. sychophanta Linn., which has been brought to this country and planted in the eastern end of the State to aid in destroying gypsy and brown-tail moths, will devour army worms. The five species of the genus Carabus occurring in the State, are large-sized ground beetles and may be expected to feed upon them. There are probably many other smaller ground beetles which occasionally devour small army worms.

The soldier bugs belonging to the family Pentatomidæ, spear the caterpillars with their proboscides and suck out the interior juices for food. These are not important checks, however, and it is upon the parasites that we must depend to hold the army worms in check. Of these the most important in Connecticut are a large two-winged fly called the red-tailed fly, Winthemia quadripustulata Fabr., and a small four-winged fly, Apanteles militaris Walsh.

Forty per cent. of the worms collected at random at Fairlea Farm, Orange, on July 28, bore Tachinid eggs, from which were reared 30 flies all of the same species, Winthemia quadripustulata Fabr. Of those collected at New Canaan, July 27, by Mr. Walden, 47 per cent. had Tachinid eggs, from which were reared one specimen of W. quadripustulata and three specimens of another Tachinid, Goniomima (Belvosia) unifasciata Desv. Of material collected by Mr. Walden at Hamden, July 31, the percentage of parasitism by Tachinid flies was not noted, but from it were reared six specimens of W. quadripustulata and one Muscid fly, Muscina stabulans Fabr., which formerly was not supposed to be a parasite, but was thought to breed in decaying animal or vegetable matter. In fact, the conditions under which it was reared would hardly preclude the possibility of its breeding in the bodies of some of the worms which had died from the bacterial "wilt" disease.

From army worms collected by Mr. Zappe in New Haven, July 20, six flies were reared, one being W. quadripustulata, and the other five G. unifasciata. The former is shown on plate XVI, b.

THE ARMY WORM.

The determinations were made by Mr. W. R. Walton of the Bureau of Entomology, through the kindness of Mr. F. M. Webster, who has charge of the Division of cereal and forage crop insects.

W. quadripustulata is mentioned in many of the early writings on the army worm under the name of leucania, and was placed first in the genus Nemoraa and later in the genus Exorista.

In the foregoing pages, the abundance of a hymenopterous parasite has been mentioned. Clusters of the cocoons were observed by the writer in oat fields at Fairlea Farm, Orange, where they rested on the surface of the ground between the stalks of oats The larvæ had evidently emerged from the bodies of the army worms before the latter entered the ground to pupate, and consequently the parasites made their cocoons above ground, though more or less covered with rubbish and by the grass and oat stalks growing in the field. Clusters of these cocoons were also very abundant under the windrows and bunches of dried oats in the field and later the same kind of cocoons were obtained in the breeding cages. They were much more abundant in the material from Fairlea Farm than in that collected at other points. Through the kindness of Mr. F. M. Webster, this parasite was identified by Mr. A. B. Gahan of the Bureau of Entomology as Apanteles militaris Walsh. This species was described by Dr. B. D. Walsh in the Tenth Report on Insects of Illinois, page 38, 1881, as Microgaster militaris.

Several other hymenopterous parasites have been recorded as attacking the army worm in various parts of the country. These include the ichneumon flies, Amblyteles (Ichneumon) suturalis Say., A. flavizonatus Cress., Ophion purgatus Say., Apanteles flaviconche Riley, A. congregatus Say., Microplitis sp., Aleiodes terminalis Cress., and the chalcids, Haltichella (Hockeria) perpulchra Walsh, Glyphe viridescens Walsh, and Smicra (Chalcis) albifrons Walsh.

The literature also mentions the Ichneumonids, Mesochorus vitreus Walsh, Pezomachus minimus Walsh, and Hemiteles laticinctus Ashm., but these are now all regarded as hyperparasites, i. e., they are parasitic upon some of the parasites of the army worm. Probably in Connecticut, at least, Apanteles militaris is the most important of all the hymenopterous parasites of the army worm.

The "wilt" disease, already mentioned, has been studied somewhat by Mr. E. M. Stoddard, Assistant Botanist of this Station. He found it to be caused, apparently, by bacteria, which he isolated. He has made several inoculations in apparently healthy caterpillars and in each case produced the disease. Mr. Stoddard kindly furnished the following note:

During the latter part of July, 1914, dead larvæ of the army worm were collected in the field which apparently had died of a "wilt" disease. These larvæ were hanging on blades of grass by the last pairs of false legs and presented a wilted and shrunken appearance and were soft and flaccid to the touch. During the last week in July larvæ in the rearing cages of the entomological department developed what was apparently the same trouble, the infection spreading through a large number of larvæ very rapidly. The interior tissue of the diseased worms was in a semi-fluid state, of a greenish yellow color, with a characteristic odor. The digestive tract was largely disintegrated in most of the specimens examined.

An examination of the diseased larvæ showed an abundant infection of bacteria in all parts. An examination at the same time of health larvæ failed to show bacteria in any greater abundance than would naturally be present in the digestive tract or be introduced from the exterior part of the larvæ. On August 1st, Petrie dish cultures on potato agar were made from the diseased worms. These cultures showed colonies of a brilliant pink organism, also colonies of a white organism, the pink colonies being much more abundant than the white. Both organisms were motile rods, the ones from the pink colonies being very sluggish, while the white organisms were very active.

Inoculation experiments were tried, which, owing to the scarcity of suitable healthy material did not give any conclusive results. The ten larvæ taken for inoculation were divided into two lots. Lot I, three larvæ, taken from cage of healthy worms, two inoculated with the pink organism, and one with the white. Lot 2, seven larvæ, taken from cage of diseased worms, two inoculated with pink organism, three with white, and two checks; the inoculation being done by smearing the mouth parts with material from Petrie dish cultures. All larvæ were put in fresh cages in another room, where the chances of accidental infection were very small. The results of these inoculations were as follows: Two larvæ of Lot I, inoculated with pink organism, died showing characteristic symptoms of "wilt" and one giving pink colonies in subculture. The larva inoculated with the white organism remained healthy until it pupated. In Lot 2, one larva inoculated with pink organism developed appearance of "wilt" and separation cultures showed pink colonies. However, parasites were later found to be present, which may have caused its death. The remaining larvæ of Lot 2 were either parasitized or pupated in healthy condition.

The results of these inoculations show that of four larvæ inoculated with pink organisms three died of "wilt" presumably and of these three the pink bacterium was recovered in cultures from two of them, while none inoculated from white colonies showed symptoms of wilt at all. Inoculations on red-humped caterpillars gave negative results in all cases.

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This disease does not seem to correspond in any particular with bacterial or other diseases described on insect larvæ except in the manner in which the dead larvæ cling to the feeding plants, this being similar to wilted gypsy moth caterpillars, as described by Reiff. No attempt has been made to identify the species of bacteria found, and no further work with inoculation could be done owing to lack of larvæ to work on. The writer, realizing the meager amount of work done, has drawn no conclusions, but simply states the few facts gathered in regard to what is apparently a bacterial wilt disease of the army worm.

#### PROSPECTS FOR NEXT YEAR.

From a study of the history of former outbreaks in the United States, it appears that seldom, if ever, does the army worm cause serious damage for two consecutive seasons in the same locality. There was practically no damage by the September or late brood of caterpillars this season in Connecticut. The abundance or scarcity of individuals in any species bears an inverse ratio to the numbers of its natural enemies. Thus natural enemies and weather conditions are factors which never cease to exist, and which, though variable and uncertain, occasionally form such a combination as to permit an outbreak. We are not yet far enough advanced in the subject to be able to predict with any degree of accuracy when an outbreak may occur.

From the very great prevalence of the parasites, Winthemia quadripustulata, and Apanteles militaris it seems reasonable to expect that the army worm will be held in check and that there will be no damage by it in 1915, in Connecticut.

#### CONTROL MEASURES.

Various methods of control have been recommended from time to time, and, though prompt action is necessary in case of an army worm outbreak, the local conditions must be considered before adopting a line of treatment. Some measures will fit one place, some another and often various combinations of two or more of them may be necessary to bring about the best results. Some of these methods of control are described below:

Pasturing with Domestic Fowls.—In small infestations near the house the hens, turkeys, ducks and geese may be utilized to eat the worms. This method of destruction may often be facilitated by turning windrows, cocks or bunches of hay, straw, or cured oats, in order to expose the worms hiding underneath. Rubbish around the edges of the field may also be disturbed for the same purpose. The native birds of the locality will also assist the domestic fowls in disposing of the caterpillars when once they are uncovered.

Rolling or Cultivating the Ground.—Small areas in the field, and especially lawns, may be gone over with a heavy roller to crush the caterpillars. On badly infested grain fields it is usually best to remove the straw at once, then to thoroughly disk-harrow the field, or give it a shallow plowing and then harrow thoroughly. By this process many of the pupæ are exposed and eaten by birds, and many more are crushed by the plow and harrow.

Barriers.—Where army worms are very abundant they will strip one field and may be prevented from marching to an adjacent field by the use of barriers such as ditches, walls and highways. These do not act as absolute obstructions, but check the advance of the worms, and, like a fire lane in the forest, give the fighters a favorable place upon which to concentrate their efforts toward control. It is often possible to take advantage of existing walls, roads or ditches for this purpose. In many cases it may be necessary to plow deep furrows across the line of march, around fields to be protected, or around an infested field to prevent the worms from going elsewhere. In such cases the furrow should be at least six inches deep, with the perpendicular or land side straight and clean and opposite the direction of approach of the worms. The furrow may soon fill with worms which can be killed by crushing or by sprinkling with kerosene. In some cases a log drawn back and forth in the furrow was found to be an excellent method of crushing the caterpillars. Deep holes, ten or fifteen feet apart, in the bottom of the furrow are an advantage, because the worms in their attempts to get out of the furrow will crawl along and collect in the holes, where a great many of them can be killed with a quart of kerosene. As with all other barriers, this furrow is not a permanent bar, but serves as a temporary check and as a line of attack where we can easily kill the worms which collect there. In some cases this may be done by crushing, in others by sprinkling with kerosene, or by covering with straw and burning, or by a combination of two or all three methods.

In some cases the worms when migrating from one field to another cover the ground so thoroughly and closely that they may be killed by sprinkling or spraying kerosene upon them. It has

been noticed that the worms will not cross a road which has just been treated with asphaltum oil. In a similar manner they may be deflected from their line of march by sprinkling kerosene or some heavier petroleum oil along the ground, or upon a windrow of hav or straw.

Poisoned Bait.—Army worms, like cut worms, will eat bran mash. To 25 pounds of wheat bran, add one pound of white arsenic or Paris green and mix thoroughly; then add two quarts of cheap molasses, the juice of lemons or oranges and enough water to make a fairly stiff mash which can be thinly scattered at dusk upon the ground. This method is well adapted to prevent damage in the vegetable garden and around the edges of the corn field but, of course, chickens must be kept away from it. Mr. W. J. Warner of Hebron was successful in saving his corn this year by plowing a deep furrow around the field and placing poisoned bran mash in the bottom of the furrow.

Spraying with Poison.—Strips of grass, grain or corn may be sprayed with Paris green or with lead arsenate (6 lbs. of the paste, or 3 lbs. dry, in 50 gallons of water) to kill the advancing worms which feed upon it. If surrounded by such a poisoned strip, uninfested fields may thus be protected.

Cultural Practices.—Fall plowing is usually advisable for the control of army worms. Even immediate plowing and thorough harrowing of badly infested fields will destroy many worms and pupæ by crushing, and by bringing them to the surface where birds can eat them. Grain, if nearly ready to cut when first attacked, may be saved by prompt harvesting, and carting it to a field not infested, to be cured. As soon as it has partially dried the worms will not eat the leaves or pedicels.

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## EXPERIMENTS IN CONTROLLING THE WHITE PINE WEEVIL.

#### By B. H. WALDEN.

The white pine weevil continues to do much damage to the white pine plantations in the State. The only practicable remedy that we have been able to advise is to cut the infested leaders in early July before the adults emerge, and either burn them at Once or store them in tight receptacles covered with wire netting, with a mesh of the right size to confine the weevils that emerge, and to allow any parasites that may be present to escape.

This treatment, where carried out over a considerable area for several years, will greatly reduce the number of weevils and consequently the amount of damage, as has been demonstrated in the white pine plantations of the state forest at Rainbow. Here the infested leaders are cut each season and stored in large garbage cans, the covers of which have large holes covered with wire netting. While no actual record has been kept, the amount of injury has rapidly decreased, especially during the past two or three seasons.

The objection to the above treatment is that a large number of the leaders will be destroyed during the period that the trees are most likely to be injured—when they are from three to fifteen feet in height.

The adult weevils hibernate throughout the winter and appear on the leaders early in spring, where they feed for about two weeks before laying their eggs. Any method that can be directed against the weevils at this time to prevent them from depositing their eggs is preferable, even though the cost is slightly more, to cutting the leaders after the injury has been done.

In the Eleventh Report of the State Entomologist, page 307, a note was published regarding the spraying of the leaders with either a poison or a repellant.

More extensive tests were made in 1912, using commercial limesulphur and lead arsenate. While the results obtained were not considered definite enough to publish, the indications were that either substance was of considerable value in preventing injury by the weevil, when sprayed upon the leaders before the eggs were deposited.

In large plantations it would be too expensive to follow this method of treatment, but in ornamental plantings, where expense is of minor importance, this treatment appears to be worth trying. Commercial lime-sulphur at the rate of one part in eight parts of water, has caused no injury to the pine foliage in our experiments.

Lead arsenate at the rate of six pounds of paste in fifty gallons of water, can also be used without injury.

Dr. E. P. Felt, State Entomologist of New York, in the *Tribune Farmer*, of August 7, 1913, recommended using a net having a diameter of about 15 inches, to collect the weevils on the pine leaders. "This work should begin in April, as soon as the weather is

moderately warm, and be continued for several weeks at intervals of approximately a week or ten days. Practical work done this season shows that it is possible to make four collections from an acre of young pine at a cost of \$1.28 an acre."

EXPERIMENTS AGAINST THE WHITE PINE WEEVIL IN 1914.

During the past season experiments against the weevil were started in a block of about 3,000 young pines, in which the weevil first appeared in 1913, on the State plantation at Rainbow. This work must be continued a number of seasons before the results will be of value to publish.

Collecting the weevils with a net was tried at Rainbow, as well as in the State plantation at Portland. Nets were made having a diameter of sixteen inches, with a notch about three inches deep on one side, against which to strike the leader. After trying the nets it was found that a larger proportion of the weevils could be captured by placing the net well down on one side of the leader and rapping the opposite side of the leader above the net with a stick or lath. (See plate XVIII, a.)

The spring was backward and the first weevils were observed on May 6th. The results from collecting the weevils are as follows:

#### RAINBOW.

The trees were from five to eight feet high, with no under-brush to obstruct the work. Five collections were made on the following dates,—May 8, 14, 21, 28 and June 3.

	No. Trees.	No.	Infested Per cent.
Net used.	337	 9.	 2.64
Check	116	 8.	 6.79

#### PORTLAND.

The trees averaged somewhat taller than those at Rainbow, and were in thick under-brush, the conditions being decidedly unfavorable for using the net. Four collections were made,—May 15, 23, 29, and June 5.

		Leader	s Infested
	No. Trees.	No.	Per cent.
Net used	1,462	141	8.00
Check	1,009	191	18.91

While the figures in the above tables do not show striking results, the percentage of injured leaders where the net was used was less than half the percentage of those injured on the checks.

If the treated trees, next to the checks had been omitted in the count, the results in favor of the treatment would have been greater, as these trees were considerably injured by the weevils from the check trees

Additional collections would have further reduced the injury, and our experience during the past season indicates that at least six collections could be made at an expense not to exceed \$1.50 to \$2.00 per acre.

EXPERIMENTS IN CONTROLLING A MITE (TARSO-NEMUS PALLIDUS BANKS.) INJURING SNAP-DRAGON PLANTS IN THE GREENHOUSE.

By W. E. BRITTON, B. H. WALDEN AND QUINCY S. LOWRY.

On January 5, 1914, Mr. Smith T. Bradley, a New Haven florist, brought to the Station some snapdragon plants from his greenhouses. The leaves were badly curled and his entire season's crop of bloom was threatened. An examination showed the plants to be quite badly infested with very small mites, which were identified later as Tarsonemus pallidus Banks, by Mr. Nathan Banks of the Bureau of Entomology.

Naturally Mr. Bradley wished to save his plants, and especially their crop of bloom, if possible. Knowing that these mites have an extremely primitive respiratory system, and that it is often difficult to control them satisfactorily by fumigating even with hydrocyanic acid gas, we resorted to sprays as a control measure.

As there seemed to be few or no accessible published records to guide us in controlling this pest, we arranged with Mr. Bradley to carry out some experiments in his greenhouse for this purpose. Consequently on January 7th, Messrs. Walden and Lowry made the first application.

The mites first appeared on the plants in the east bench, and consequently these plants were the worst infested. On some of them every shoot had curled leaves. All had been cut back, except 12 or 14 rows at the end near the entrance, which had been left as checks. On this bench adjoining the checks, 14 rows, containing 56 plants, were sprayed with the nicotine solution "Black Leaf 40," using 5 c.c. (I teaspoonful) to I gallon of water, with naphtha soap added in the proportion of 4 lbs. to 100 gallons of water. The next section of 15 rows, containing 58 plants, was sprayed with "Fir-tree Oil" 6 fluid ounces in 2 gallons of water.

On the west bench the plants were from six to eight inches in height, and had not been cut back. These plants were less badly infested and the leaves were just beginning to curl from the attacks of the mites. Here 8 rows, containing 40 plants, were sprayed with "Black Leaf 40," using 5 c.c. (I teaspoonful) in 11/2 gallons (6 quarts) of water. At the further end and adjoining the plants just mentioned, 7 rows, containing 35 plants, were sprayed with "Fir-tree Oil" 4 fluid ounces in 2 gallons of water.

The spraying was done as thoroughly as possible with a compressed air hand outfit, as shown on plate XVIII, b. The west bench contained a few plants having shoots from 12 to 15 inches tall, which were difficult to cover. The stems were slender and the force of the spray bent them away, so that it was necessary to throw the spray from the opposite direction or from both sides of the bench, in order to drive the liquid into the whorl of leaves at the tips. It would be difficult to thoroughly spray large plants when in bloom.

The applications were repeated on January 14, 22 and 30.

More than half of the plants in the east bench died. Mr. Bradley considered it to be due to the shock of severe cutting back, together with too copius watering.

The plants were examined on February 6. There was no evidence of injury from any of the applications. Some of the checks on the east bench showed some curling from the attacks of the mites, but there was no mite injury to be seen on the sprayed plants on this bench. It was too early to detect any results from the treatment on the west bench.

On February 20, the plants were again examined. The treated plants from the east bench had been removed because so many had died from the causes mentioned. Some of the checks which had not been so severely cut back, remained and showed considerable curling from the mites.

On the west bench, on the portion treated with "Fir-tree Oil" 4 ounces in 2 gallons of water, only two or three stalks showed any evidence of mite injury to the new growth. Some of the plants which showed curled leaves before treatment, made a clean growth afterward, as is shown on plate XIX, a.

The mites were still causing some injury where the less concentrated "Black Leaf 40" solution was applied, showing that this dilution was not wholly satisfactory for eradicating them. It is believed that the stronger mixture was effective for the purpose, though too many of the plants died to make the test conclusive. The "Black Leaf 40" solution with soap seemed to spread more uniformly, and to coat the foliage better than the "Fir-tree Oil," though the latter was fairly satisfactory in this respect, and was adopted by the owner for future use in controlling these mites.

Summary: Though the foregoing tests are not conclusive and further trials should be made, they present evidence, which may serve as a guide, that "Black Leaf 40" (I teaspoonful in I gallon of water) with the addition of soap, and "Fir-tree Oil" (4 to 6 ounces in 2 gallons of water) will control this mite on snapdragons if four thorough applications in the form of a spray are made at intervals of about a week. On account of expense, the nicotine solution is to be preferred.

## OTHER PLANTS INJURED BY Tarsonemus pallidus.

## Chrysanthemum.

On November 12, 1912, Mr. H. B. Kirk, while inspecting imported nursery stock at a florist's in Bridgeport, was asked to examine some chrysanthemum blossoms which had withered and some of the petals had died and turned brown. Mr. Kirk brought blooms to the laboratory where they were examined by both botanists and entomologists. The only parasites found were very small mites at the base of the petals. The mites seemed to be the cause of the trouble, and were identified by Mr. Banks as T. pallidus. A note was published in the Report for 1912, page 296, regarding the matter. This form of trouble was again brought to our attention on October 27, 1914, when we received from Mr. John Coombs, Hartford, some freshly cut chrysanthemum flowers, which had likewise drooped, and some of the petals had withered and died. The same kind of mites were also found at the base of the petals.

In cases where the opening flower is infested it would seem to be a matter difficult to control; yet the mites are probably pres-

ent elsewhere on the plant before the blossoms open. Perhaps a careful examination might reveal them around the buds or on the smaller leaves. If so, the proper treatment would be a thorough spraying with "Black Leaf 40" and soap, or with Fir-tree Oil, as described in the foregoing pages, just before the buds break open.

## Cyclamen.

While inspecting imported nursery stock on the grounds of J. J. Goodwin, Hartford, on December 12, 1913, Mr. Lowry was shown some Cyclamen plants in the greenhouse which failed to bloom, and which had leaves and buds that were curled and considerably distorted by this same mite T. pallidus. On March 16, 1914, Cyclamen plants in a similar condition were received from Branford where they had been grown in a dwelling house. These plants were infested with mites which appeared to be the same species. The leaves were curled and rusty and the plants did not bloom. The owner was informed of the cause of the trouble and of the experiments at Mr. Bradley's, and we have received a recent report that the plants are in thrifty condition and as yet seem to be unaffected with the pest of last year.

Tarsonemus pallidus was originally described by Nathan Banks of the Bureau of Entomology, in Proceedings of the Entomological Society of Washington, Vol. IV, page 295, 1899. The type material was collected on the leaves of chrysanthemum in a greenhouse near Jamaica, N. Y., by Mr. F. A. Sirrine of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station.

Several other species are known to live on the leaves of woody and herbaceous plants in Europe.

### A TENT-CATERPILLAR EGG CONTEST.

The tent-caterpillar was unusually abundant in Connecticut in 1912 and even more so in 1913. For a complete account of this insect see Bulletin 177 of this Station, issued in August, 1913.

On account of the great abundance of this insect the Extension Service of the Connecticut Agricultural College at Storrs, arranged a contest for school children in collecting egg-clusters, the child securing the largest number before April 30, 1914, receiving \$25.00.

The teacher whose school collected the largest number was given a scholarship valued at \$25.00 in the summer school of the Connecticut Agricultural College. The Extension Department also offered a certificate of appreciation to the child making the highest score in each town.

Supervisors were appointed to look after the matter. All egg-clusters were brought to the teacher who credited each pupil with the number collected, and destroyed them.

In addition to these prizes, many individuals, granges, village improvement associations and schools offered prizes for the largest number collected locally. All of these agencies together induced the children to gather an enormous number of egg-clusters. I have recently been informed by the Extension Service of the Connecticut Agricultural College that more than 10,000,000 egg-masses were destroyed according to their records. As a matter of fact, none were counted unless a child secured more than 3,000.

Besides the inducement to collect egg-clusters the Hartford Courant offered prizes in three series for the best essays by school children on different phases of the life history of the tent-caterpillar and damage caused by it, or on their experiences in working for the prizes. The State Entomologist acted as judge in one of these literary contests. The best essays and the pictures of the winners were afterward published in the Courant. All such efforts, of course, help educate the people and would seem to have an important influence on the control of any pest. Yet in spite of these efforts, the caterpillars were exceedingly abundant over large areas of the State. Their nests fairly covered certain apple and wild cherry trees in some parts of the State, particularly in Newtown, Stonington, Waterbury and along the Naugatuck Valley.

Many caterpillars died from a wilt disease and were found stuck to fences, stone walls, and the trunks of trees. On June 5, the writer visited Stonington, and on North Main Street saw the fully grown caterpillars crawling along the sidewalks, swarming on tree trunks, on fences and walls. A wire fence supported by wood posts had from ten to fifteen caterpillars on every post. They were seeking a place to pupate. From the high percentage of parasitization it surely seems as though the pest would soon begin to subside.

## MOSQUITO WORK IN CONNECTICUT IN 1914.

In the Report of this Station for 1912, page 270, will be found an account of the great amount of mosquito drainage work done that year in Connecticut, amounting to about 2,700 acres at a cost of about \$26,000. In 1913, less work was done, and a record of this may be found in the Report for that year, page 242. The chief reason that less work was done may be explained by the fact that many waited for the action of the legislature, expecting that the much needed State supervision would be provided. Though the House and Senate passed the measure with the appropriation cut to \$10,000.00, the bill was vetoed by Governor Baldwin after the Legislature adjourned. It was then too late to plan and finance much new work. Nevertheless, some permanent work was done and the ditches previously cut in each town were maintained.

#### GREENWICH.

In the town of Greenwich, where the chief problem was of an inland nature and concerned with the malarial mosquito, a contract was let to the United States Drainage and Irrigation Co., of New York, N. Y., to overcome by draining, filling, etc., all mosquito breeding places in the southern portion of the town extending back one mile from the coast to a line running parallel with the northern border of the town. This work was done in the summer and fall of 1913, but not completed until winter. This work has been mentioned on page 118 of this Report, as the State Entomologist was called to act as arbitrator, on account of a disagreement between the local health officer and the contractor. A settlement was finally effected, and the writer has since learned upon good authority that where cases of malaria were formerly very numerous, being unofficially estimated as high as 900 in a season, up to September in 1914 there were only 36 cases of which only 15 were new ones. This tremendous decrease in malaria is generally ascribed to the drainage work, and most of the people are enthusiastic over it. It is needless to state that the work will be maintained, and a number of covered tile drains will be installed next year to prevent the breeding of malarial mosquitoes in the now open ditches which constantly contain water, many of them being fed by springs.

#### MADISON.

A tract of 250 acres at Hammonassett Point in the town of Madison, owned by the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., of New Haven, and used as a testing ground and as a source of salt hay which is used for packing, was drained in the summer of 1914. This work was also done under contract by the United States Drainage and Irrigation Co. Before it was completed owners of adjacent marsh land decided to have their land drained at the same time, so that in all about 310 acres of salt marsh were drained and the breeding grounds of salt marsh mosquitoes in the State were diminished to that extent.

#### NEW HAVEN.

No new drainage contracts were let in New Haven in 1914, but by means of an item of \$3,000.00 for the purpose in the city budget, the Board of Park Commissioners were able to clean out the old ditches and cut several new ones in the meadows in Edgewood Park and Beaver Ponds Park, thus greatly improving mosquito conditions in these localities.

Two dump breeding areas, one in Beaver Swamp between Henry and Munson Streets, and the other in Mill River Meadows just above the State Street bridge, have now been acquired by the city and will be cleaned and made parts of the park system.

The Anti-Mosquito Committee of the Civic Federation made no general effort to raise funds for mosquito work in 1914, but an unexpended balance enabled it to maintain the ditches cut in 1912. Mr. James E. Hitchcock, a high school student employed on the work both in 1912 and in 1913, was employed during his summer vacation. He patrolled the ditches on the salt marsh after each high tide and removed obstacles.

The ditches are often filled by hay-makers who wish to drive across; and they always leave the sods in the ditches, thus forming a mosquito breeding area. Mr. Hitchcock remedied several such defects; the remainder of his time was spent in scouting for breeding places, in looking up records of the ownership of land where mosquitoes breed, and in placing evidence in the hands of health officers. The law (Chapter 143, of Public Acts of 1913) declares all such mosquito breeding places a public nuisance and makes it the duty of the health officer to cause such nuisances to be abolished or abated.

One important improvement is the new tide gate on Morris Creek, between South End Road and Lighthouse Point, which was installed late in 1914. This prevents the flooding of the meadows at Morris Cove, ditched in 1912, except by fresh water, and should prove a great benefit, not only from the anti-mosquito standpoint but also to the owners of the land.

#### WEST RIVER.

In August it was found that West River, which was such a prolific breeding place of *Culex pipiens* Linn, in 1913 was also furnishing a lesser number in 1914. This matter was reported to the local board of health, and at a meeting of the board the State Entomologist was called in conference with some of the factory owners chiefly responsible for the pollution of the stream. It is on account of this pollution which kills or drives away the fish, that the river is a mosquito breeding place. It was arranged that the factory owners equally contribute money to defray the cost of oiling and that Mr. Hitchcock should be furnished by the Civic Federation to take charge of the work. Consequently the stream was oiled once about the middle of August, at a cost of \$102.35. Cooler weather followed with heavy rains in October so that it was unnecessary to oil again.

It is expected that a sewer will soon be installed in this section to take care of the refuse from the factories, thus removing the pollution from the stream which can then be restocked with fish and no more be a breeding place and a public nuisance.

# CATERPILLARS FEEDING ON GREENBRIAR.

On August 29, 1912, caterpillars of a noctuid moth were received from Mr. T. I. Coe, of Kidd's Island, off Stony Creek, Branford, where they were feeding on the wild *Smilax* or "greenbriar" *Smilax rotundifolia*. Mr. Coe wrote, "I am sending you herewith several specimens of a worm which came to my notice for the first time this morning. A careful search of the foliage revealed dozens of the worms ranging in size from one-fourth to one and one-fourth inches. They were usually found in clusters on the stems of the vines or on the underside of the leaves. Though I have been a summer resident on this Island, one of 'The Thimbles,' for ten years and have noticed many varieties of

interesting insects, etc., I have not seen the accompanying species before, and its presence in apparently large numbers leads me to wonder if it is something we should endeavor to exterminate."

As we did not recognize the caterpillars and the material was rather scanty, we asked Mr. Coe to send more. This arrived August 31, and though we gave it the best of care, did not succeed in obtaining any adult moths. Consequently again August 7, 1913, we wrote to Mr. Coe for additional material which reached the laboratory September 13, 1913. From this lot of caterpillars there emerged on June 18 and 22, 1914, two moths which proved to be *Hadena turbulenta* Hubn.

The caterpillars are characteristically and strikingly marked and are well shown on Plate XII, d. The following description was made at the time the first lot of caterpillars were received in 1912:

Length 30 mm. (1 1/5 inch) thickness 4 mm. Dorsal surface extending laterally to spiracles, striped longitudinally with narrow yellow and black lines of equal width. First and anal segments have markings of a striking and peculiar pattern shown in the illustration. Lateral view shows below spiracles a ground color of light yellow with longitudinal orange stripes. Ventral surface yellow. Head black, shining, face with a \(\lambda\)-shaped indentation all black. Legs black outside, marked with yellow inside. Tips of pro-legs black, bases yellow. Smooth throughout, no tubercles or hairs.

The cervical shield is also black, with a narrow rear margin and a front marginal row of spots which are yellow. The anal extremity is also black above, with spots of yellow arranged as shown in the illustration.

The adult is a light brown moth, with fore-wings marked with darker brown and having a wing-spread of about one and one-fourth inches, shown on plate XII, c.

This species is listed in "Insects of New Jersey" by J. B. Smith, as occurring "throughout the State, local; larva gregarious on 'Smilax'-greenbriar and horse nettle."

Though the greenbriar is generally considered a nuisance and insects feeding upon it would hardly be called injurious, there are places where the owners wish to preserve the native plant growth and in such places this insect might be called a pest. On account of its striking appearance it is mentioned here. Spray-

ing with lead arsenate would, of course, destroy the caterpillars and thus prevent defoliation of the vines.

# TEST OF A COMMERCIAL PREPARATION TO PROTECT SEED CORN.

By W. E. BRITTON AND QUINCY S. LOWRY.

This preparation sold under the name of "Corbin" was stated on the label to be "a protection for seed grain, for corn, wheat, barley, white beans, etc. Use I pint of Corbin to 3½ bushels of seed. Do not mix Corbin with water. Price, 75 cents per pint. Use enough Corbin to cover seeds with a brown coating." This is apparently a coal tar preparation dark brown in color, and with a coal tar odor.

On May 18, 1914, three pints of seed corn were treated with Corbin, and planted in hills, each containing four seeds. The treated seeds were planted in every second row, the intervening alternate rows being planted in the same way with untreated seed of the same variety. There were ten rows of each.

On June 1, plants from the seed treated with "Corbin" were much smaller than those from the untreated seed. There was apparently no particular injury from seed maggots or wire worms. A careful count was made of the plants on this date. The treated seed gave an average stand of 3.03 instead of four plants per hill; the untreated seed gave an average stand of 3.74 plants per hill. A difference in size of plants could be noticed for several weeks.

In order to make sure that the coating retarded or otherwise affected the germination of the seed, laboratory tests were made later by an assistant in the botanical department with the seed testing apparatus. Of the untreated seed, 95.5 per cent. germinated within one week, while the seeds treated with "Corbin" showed a comparatively low percentage. Thinking that the treatment retarded germination only, the treated seeds were allowed to remain in the apparatus for one month, at the end of which time only 53 per cent. had germinated.

Even though this preparation does protect seed against injury from seed maggots, wire worms, squirrels and crows, it appears to reduce the percentage of germination, and also to retard development where the vitality is not impaired, to such an extent that its value is questionable.

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The winter of 1913-1914 was marked by long periods of low temperature, the mercury several times dropping a number of points below zero in New Haven and going much lower inland. Peach buds were killed, except the hardiest varieties, and for a strip along the coast. The severe winter might be expected to destroy some forms, at least, of insect life, and so we made observations to see if the absence of any injurious species could be attributed to the severity of the winter.

The spring was late and when the leaves unfolded it was seen that canker worms and tent-caterpillars were as abundant as in other seasons. Green and rosy aphids were also present and considerable damage may be charged up against them.

Rainfall was heavy in May and June, but a severe drought occurred in August and September.

There was the usual amount of damage from cutworms and wire-worms. The Colorado potato beetle was scarce, but the reason, we believe, was due not to the weather but chiefly to the abundance of its dipterous parasite *Doryphorophaga* (*Phorocera*) doryphoræ which was so common in 1913.

The winter nests of the brown-tail moth were unusually small, and many of them did not contain any living caterpillars in the spring. This may have been caused by the weather, but that point has not been determined. As a result the nests are few this winter, though they are scattered about as widely as usual and the insect has continued to spread toward the west.

Probably the chief entomological feature of the season, was the gypsy moth invasion, described on page 133. Next in importance is the army worm outbreak, described on page 157.

Grasshoppers were not especially prominent, and certainly did not cause notable injury as was the case in New York State where poisoned bait was used to control them.

Hickory trees have continued to die and in most cases the hickory bark borer is apparently responsible for their death.

The elm leaf beetle, which for many years has defoliated the elm trees near the sea level, has now become destructive at the higher altitudes, and in 1914 did more damage in such towns as Winsted, Norfolk, Canaan, Salisbury, Falls Village and West Cornwall than near the coast. People in these places are now adopting control measures for the first time.

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Pink Grasshoppers.—On September 21, two pink grasshoppers or more properly angular-winged Katydids were sent to the Station from Derby. These belong to the species Scudderia furcata Bruner. Though usually bright green, occasionally bright pink individuals are found, and several such captures are on record.

Abundance of Polygonia interrogationis on Elm.—The spiny brown caterpillars of this species were unusually common on elm in 1914, stripping branches and small trees. Hop, hackberry, nettle and linden are other food plants. The adult is known as the "violet tip" or "interrogation point butterfly" and is common on ripe fruits in autumn. It hibernates as an adult. (See plate XXIII).

Cherry or Pear Slug.—The cherry or pear slug Caliroa limacina Retz., occasionally does damage late in the season by eating the green tissue from the upper surface of the leaf often ruining it. In one of the nurseries, at inspection time, a block of pear stock had been attacked and on some of the young trees the leaves were ruined. Spraying with lead arsenate or hellebore will prevent this injury.

Rare Lady Beetles in Connecticut.—Since the publication of Bulletin 181, Some Common Lady Beetles of Connecticut, Mr. I. W. Davis has collected three specimens of *Harmonia similis* Rand, and four specimens of a northern form new to our list, *Anisocalvia* 12-maculata Gebl. The latter was known to occur in British Columbia, Minnesota, Michigan, New Hampshire, Utah, and possibly Northern New York State, but according to C. W. Leng, has never before been taken so far south as Connecticut.

The Tulip Tree Scale.—The tulip tree scale *Toumeyella lirio-dendri* Gmel., which was mentioned in the Report of this Station for 1912, page 294, is abundant and attracting attention. This year specimens were received from Killingworth, Deep River, Middletown, East Hartford, New London, Lyme and Ridgefield. Since publishing the note mentioned above, we have heard of certain cases of injury where the tulip tree was sprayed with mis-

cible oils. Spraying the dormant trees with lime-sulphur as for San José Scale is perhaps the best control measure.

The Strawberry White Fly.—On September 5, 1914, strawberry plants were received from Branford, which were quite badly infested with the strawberry white fly Asterochiton (Aleyrodes) packardi Morrill. Eggs, larvæ and adults were abundant on the underside of the leaves.

This insect is occasionally destructive, and the writer observed it in a strawberry field in West Hartford, June 30, 1905. In some cases in small garden plantations it may be possible to underspray the leaves with "Black Leaf 40" and soap to kill the adults and larvæ. Where large areas are infested this treatment would be impracticable and burning over the field in the fall would be the best method of destroying the pest.

The Chinch Bug.—Though causing great damage to grass, grain and other crops in the middle west, the chinch bug Blissus leucopterus Say, is seldom troublesome in Connecticut. It occurs here, however, as there are a number of specimens in the Station collection taken in New Haven and Orange. The late Dr. J. B. Smith in his list of the insects of New Jersey, states that it is a rare insect in that State and that its scarcity is due to climate and not to any particular parasites or other natural enemies. On September 5, the Director of this Station, brought in some specimens from Bristol, where they were found on some brown spots on a lawn. It is uncertain whether or not they were responsible for killing the grass in these small areas.

The Saddle-Back Caterpillar.—Each year the saddle-back caterpillar Sibine stimulea S. & A. is sent to the Station with requests for information regarding its status as a pest. We always run across these curious caterpillars when inspecting nurseries. They have a varied food plant list and we may expect to find them on almost any plant. The name comes from the characteristic markings of the larva, which is shown on plate XXIV, b. The four branched spines will cause an intense stinging and itching sensation when brought in contact with the human skin. The adult is a reddish brown moth with a wing-spread of about one and one-half inches.

The Hickory Leaf Stem Gall Louse.—Each summer hickory trees in Connecticut shed many of their leaves in June on account of the hickory leaf stem gall louse *Phylloxera caryæcaulis* Fitch. This insect makes galls on the petioles of the compound leaves and the stems often break off at the point where the galls occur. The presence of the galls and the fact that the stem breaks off leaving a portion on the tree, distinguishes this trouble from that caused by the hickory bark borer, where the entire compound leaf and petiole fall, the stem showing that it has been eaten at the base. There seems to be no practicable remedy.

Injury by Bill Bugs.—These insects cause much damage to young corn in the Middle and Southern States, by eating into the upper part of the stem. As the plant grows and the leaves unroll a row of holes across the blade is apparent. The blade often breaks over at this point. There are several species responsible for such injury all being snout bettles, weevils, or curculios of the genus Sphenophorus.

On June 15, specimens of *Sphenophorus sculptilis* Uhler, were received from Woodbury, together with some of the soil and several plants with leaves perforated in the manner described. Most of these bill-bugs breed in the roots of sedges and rushes in meadows, and it is well not to plant corn near such a place. Except for crop rotation, there is no other control measure known.

The Four-Lined Leaf Bug.—A number of samples of this insect and its injury are received each year. It attacks currants, gooseberries, parsnip, sage, mint, rose, dahlia, and many other plants. Slingerland\* gives a list of fifty-seven kinds of plants, and common weeds. The injury is caused by sucking out the sap from the young terminal leaves, causing the formation of brown depressed spots. Later these leaves often become brown and dry. The four-lined leaf-bug, *Pæcilocapsus lineatus* Fabr., is rather more than one-fourth of an inch in length, bright yellowish green, marked above with four black longitudinal stripes. The eggs are laid in the stems of the plants and remain here through the winter, hatching late in May and early in June. The bugs become mature about the middle of June and remain and cause injury for about a month. Spraying with "Black Leaf 40" I teaspoonful in I gallon

<sup>\*</sup> Bulletin 58, Cornell University Agr. Expt. Station, 1893.

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of water with a little soap is the best remedy. This bug and its injury to currant leaves are shown on plate XX, b.

The Grape Plume Moth.—Every year in May and June, nearly all grape vines are infested by small spiny green larvæ which spin webs drawing together the new leaves at the tip of each terminal shoot. There is one larva in each nest thus formed and it feeds on the leaves inside. (See plate XXIV, a.)

Many samples and inquiries are received regarding this insect. As a matter of fact the injury is more apparent than real. The end of the shoot is seldom eaten, and therefore, the growth is hardly checked. Smith\* states that "they do no real injury in most cases because as a rule they spin up the tip beyond the blossom cluster." On arbors the vines are rendered unsightly by its attacks, and remedies are sought. As the insect remains wholly inside the nest of folded leaves there is no way of reaching it by spraying. In large vineyards no remedial treatment is attempted. In the home garden, the simplest method is to crush each larva by pinching its nest with the thumb and forefinger.

The grape plume moth, Oxyptilus periscelidactylus Fitch, belongs to the lepidopterous family Pterophoridæ, the moths having the wings split into separate plumes or feathers.

The Colorado Potato Beetle and Zinc Arsenite.—The Colorado Potato Beetle was unusually scarce in most Connecticut potato fields in 1914. In fact some growers did not find it neceasity to use poison at all on their potatoes.

This scarcity may be partly explained by the fact that nearly all adults and larvæ noticed and collected by members of this department in 1913 bore the white eggs of Tachinid flies. Adult flies were reared from parasitized larvæ and were kindly identified by Mr. Harrison E. Smith as *Doryphorophaga (Phorocera) doryphorae* Riley.

At the Station farm in 1914, the potatoes were sprayed only once, on June 25, with poison. On most of the field lead arsenate was used but on ten rows on the west side powdered zinc arsenite was applied. The spraying was done by Messrs. Stoddard and Graham of the botanical department. No particular difference could be seen in the results of the application of the two poisons.

Both killed the larvæ satisfactorily, and there was no injury to the foliage.

Curious Pupae of an Unfamiliar Fly.—On May 20, 1914, some curious specimens of an unfamiliar insect were received from Wallingford, Conn., with a statement that they were found close to the crowns of strawberry plants. The correspondent wished to know what they were, what harm they did, and how to get rid of them. We could not give this information, but acknowledged the receipt of the letter and specimens, placed the latter in a breeding cage in the insectary and on June 1 obtained an adult two-winged fly. Another emerged June 15th. The material was kindly identified by Mr. C. W. Johnson as Macrosargus cuprarius Linn., supposedly a European species which during the last few years has been found to be rather abundant and widely distributed in the United States.

The pupe were gray, about 10 mm. long, nearly 3 mm. broad and less than 2 mm. thick. The lateral margins are nearly parallel for about three-fourths of the length from the anal extremity, then taper toward the head which is narrow, elongated, with a hemispherical projection on each side resembling an eye. The segmentation is prominent throughout.

The Walnut Caterpillar.—Occasionally the Walnut Caterpillar Datana integerrima G. & R. is abundant in Connecticut and is found in clusters on black walnut, butternut or hickory trees stripping them. (See plate XIX, b.)

On August 12, nearly a pint of the caterpillars were brought to the Station from North Haven, where they were gathered from the trunk of a tree. The larvæ have this habit of resting in clusters on the trunk or under side of the branches like a piece of gray fur. The full grown caterpillar is slightly less than two inches in length, body black and covered with long whitish hairs, head black and shiny. The adult is a light reddish brown moth with wings marked transversely with lighter and darker bands and lines. It has a wing-spread of nearly two inches, and closely resembles the moth of *D. ministra* Dru., the adult of the yellow-necked caterpillar of the apple.

Leaf Hopper Injuring Japanese Barberry.—On July 23 two badly crushed specimens of a large leaf hopper were received from Mr.

<sup>\*</sup> Insects of New Jersey, page 536, 1909.

W. A. Muirhead, Superintendant of Trees, City of Hartford, accompanied by a statement that they were injuring Japanese barberry. Mr. Walden who was then in charge of the office during the vacation of the writer, identified the leaf hoppers as belonging to the genus *Gypona*, but they were too badly crushed for specific recognition. At the writer's request Mr. Muirhead sent more material. Some of this was sent to Prof. Herbert Osborn one of our leading authorities on this group, who identified the species as *Gypona flavilineata* Fitch. Mr. Muirhead was advised to spray with a nicotine solution. This he did and under date of July 27, wrote that he had tried Black Leaf 40, 1 pint in 100 gallons water, but that it seemed to have but little effect. The leaf hoppers at this time were about mature and probably needed a more concentrated solution. Perhaps earlier in the season it might prove effective on the nymphs.

Controlling Green Apple Aphis.—Late in July it was noticed that the apple trees in the young orchard at the Station farm at Mt. Carmel were badly infested with the green apple aphid, Aphis pomi Deg. The trees were set in the spring of 1910. The lice were nearly all on the leaves and stems of the terminal shoots, and the leaves were more or less curled. Though the trees had made nearly all their growth for the season, it was thought best to destroy the aphids. Consequently Messrs. Lowry and Zappe on July 25, 30 and 31 dipped the ends of the branches in a pail of liquid to kill the aphids. Beginning on the south side the rows running east and west were treated as follows:

Rows I to 6. Pratt's nicotine, I teaspoonful in 3 quarts of water, with soft soap.

Rows 6 to 9. Imp Soap, I pint in 14 quarts of water.

Rows 9 to 17. Black Leaf 40, I teaspoonful in I gallon of water.

The trees were carefully examined August 6. Only a few living aphids were found on rows 1 to 6. None were found on any of the other rows. On small trees dipping is far more effective than spraying, and this trial shows that by this treatment the aphis can be controlled at least on small trees.

Mites on California Privet.—California privet is seldom injured by mites and it is doubtful if any species has heretofore been recorded from it unless, possibly "red spider." A short hedge of this plant growing in the writer's garden was attacked early in the summer of 1914 by a mite which Mr. Nathan Banks has kindly identified as belonging to the genus *Phyllocoptes*. Apparently it is a new species.

Nothing unusual was noticed on this hedge in 1913, but the present season, the first growth had peculiar slender shoots with the narrow leaves curled backward. On examining them with a hand lens, the under side of each leaf was found to be literally covered with very small, elongated, crawling mites. Previous to July 1st, apparently all terminal shoots on this hedge bore infested and curled leaves. The hedge was allowed to remain without trimming or spraying. The writer returned from a vacation late in July, when the hedge presented a changed appearance as a number of the stronger shoots were normal and the mites had then disappeared from all of the leaves.

Harlequin Cabbage Bug in Connecticut.—The first and only record which we have of this insect occurring in Connecticut, is a single specimen collected at Meriden, July 4, 1910, by Mr. Harry Johnson. Mr. Walden visited Meriden and looked over Mr. Johnson's collection and saw this specimen and obtained it for the Station collection.

In the Southern states the Harlequin Cabbage Bug Murgantia histrionica Hahn, is an important cabbage pest. In the "Insects of New Jersey" Smith states that this southern species under certain conditions extends into New Jersey and has been taken as far north as Morris County which is in the latitude of New York City.

In a recent letter Mr. F. A. Sirrine informs the writer that he has not seen the Harlequin Cabbage Bug on Long Island since 1894, and that it has never done any harm there. This being the case one need hardly expect it to become a pest in Connecticut.

The most important control measures are cleaning up and destroying all cabbage refuse in the fall and planting early in the spring trap crops of kale or mustard upon which the young bugs may be killed by a spray of kerosene emulsion.

European Pine Shoot Moth.—On August 10 Mr. August Busck of the Bureau of Entomology called at the office and stated that he happened to be in Connecticut and was looking about to see if he could find the European Pine Shoot Moth present; that it had evidently been introduced into this country from Europe and was

abundant on Long Island. This insect attacks the Scotch, Mugho and probably some other species of pines in Europe. On Long Island Scotch pines were attacked. The writer understood that Mr. Busck did find it in Connecticut. Mr. Busck published an article calling attention to this insect in Journal of Economic Entomology for August, page 340. The larvæ pass the winter in holes eaten in the buts and in the spring begin to feed upon the growing buds often feeding upon one side only causing a curved growth.

The adults reared from the Long Island material enabled Mr. Busck to readily identify the species as *Evetria buoliana* Schiff, one of the small Tortricid moths closely related to the Nantucket Pine Moth which has caused so much damage.

It it yet too early to recommend control measures for this insect but all growers of pine trees should be on the watch and should report at once to this office sending specimens in case any are found.

The Oak Pruner.—A number of complaints are received each year of damage to shade trees by a borer in the twigs which causes them to break off and fall in midsummer. The oak is the tree most commonly attacked, but maple, apple and other trees are sometimes injured. During 1914 this form of injury has been sent to the Station from Fairfield, Middletown, Milford, New Haven Salisbury and South Killingly. The insect causing this trouble is a long-horned or Cerambycid beetle *Elaphidion villosum* Fabr.

According to Chittenden\* this insect is found from New England through the eastern United States westward to Michigan and as far south as North Carolina and Texas. The egg is laid on a small twig in early summer. The minute larva tunnels in the wood under the bark following the grain toward the base of the branch. When nearly full grown it cuts the branch nearly off. This breaks in the first strong wind and falls to the ground with the insect in the severed portion. The larva withdraws into its burrow and plugs the opening with sawdust, then pupates and the adult beetle appears the following spring.

The injury is usually not serious, but the litter on a lawn soon becomes a nuisance. As the borers fall with the twigs, collecting and burning them will help as a control measure. This is the only

treatment to be recommended, and if carried out generally and thoroughly will result in diminishing the number of pruners the following season.

Abundance and Control of Pear Psylla.—In many pear orchards in 1914, especially where the dormant trees were not sprayed with lime-sulphur, the pear psylla did considerable damage, causing some of the leaves to fall in July and on the remaining leaves and on the fruit which was covered with "honey dew" the black mold grew abundantly, giving it the appearance of having been sprinkled with soot. The sooty appearance at harvest time, of course, renders the fruit unsalable and for this reason several growers wished to spray in July or early in August to clean up the fruit. Mr. W. F. Platt of Milford, is one of the fruit growers who sprayed about August 1st with "Black Leaf 40" one-half pint in 50 gallons of water. Mr. Platt was well satisfied with the treatment as it seemed to kill the insects and to clean up the fruit.

In order to test the effect of this mixture on the pear psylla, Mr. Zappe sprayed portions of a large pear tree on the Station grounds. One branch was treated with the "Black Leaf 40", 1 pint in 50 gallons of water containing soap, and another branch with the same preparation, ½ pint in 50 gallons. There were many adults on the branches at the time of the treatment. Most of them flew into the air but were hit with the spray and brought down. A white cloth was spread under the tree and caught all that fell upon it. It was thought that possibly the psyllids were stupefied by the spray and that they might recover. This cloth was, therefore, brought into the laboratory and watched. Apparently not a single psylla recovered or showed any signs of life after being hit with the weaker nicotine solution.

The Stalk Borer.—The stems of herbaceous plants are often attacked by a larva which tunnels up and down in the pith, causing the stem to wilt and die. Though there are several species thus attacking different plants, one of the commonest is called the Stalk Borer, Papaipema nitela Guen., formerly Gortyna nitela. This species is also a general feeder and is known to attack many native weeds and such cultivated plants as corn, potato, tomato, aster, lily, dahlia and many others. In 1914, stalk borers were abundant and there was much injury, especially to dahlias. The larva enters the stem and is seldom noticed until the leaves at the

<sup>\*</sup> Bureau of Entomology Circular 130, 1910.

top begin to droop. Then a careful inspection will show that a borer is at work in the stem. By cutting a slit lengthwise of the stem it is possible to kill the borer without greatly injuring the plant. As a rule, however, so much eating has been done before the pest is found that the shoot does not recover and blossoms can be obtained only from axillary branches which grow afterward. The larva is about an inch long, dirty white striped longitudinally with yellowish-brown stripes with a brown girdle covering three or four segments back of the true legs. The adult of the stalk borer is a Noctuid moth having a wing-spread of about one and one-half inches, and gray in color with a cluster of conspicuous white and yellow dots near the center of each fore wing.

This insect and its work has been received in 1914 from Mystic and New Haven in dahlia, from Pomfret in corn, and from Simsbury in tobacco.

There are some species of the genus *Papaipema* which feed only in the stems of certain plants, and Mr. Henry Bird of Rye, N. Y., has bred and described a number which proved new to science.

Injury to Geraniums by White Ants.—On May 23, a Hartford florist wrote to this office describing a trouble of bedding geraniums (*Pelargonium zonale* or other species) in the field of a customer at New Rochelle, N. Y. More than 200 plants had been ruined by some insect which tunneled out the inside of each stem and main root. The plants, of course, soon turned yellow, wilted and died.

From the description we failed to recognize the trouble, and advised to have the customer send specimens if possible. In due time, about July 1, we received from New Rochelle, a stem from one of these plants together with some of the soil in which it was grown. In the stem and in the soil there were a few immature termites or white ants, probably belonging to the genus *Termes*, which undoubtedly were the cause of the trouble. They had devoured the entire inner portion of the stem leaving only a thin outer layer of the woody tissue and bark.

Termes flavipes Kollar is our commonest species and often breeds in woodwork near the ground, such as fence posts, bridges, trestles, buildings, etc. We have found it in old stumps, in the board walks of greenhouses, and in the strips of wood along the edges of tar walks. One winter they were quite abundant in the Station greenhouse. The writer observed swarms of them a few

years ago emerging from the board strips along the sidewalk on Church Street, New Haven, next to the "Green."

At New Rochelle, however, the white ants could not be traced to any woodwork but seemed to be all through the soil. They may, therefore, belong to a different species, but as our material was immature we could not identify it. There are several destructive kinds in the tropics and at least six species in the Southern United States.

On a visit to the Bussey Institution, Forest Hills, Mass., July 7, I was shown a geranium stem which had been hollowed out by white ants in exactly the same manner as those from New Rochelle.

A possible remedy is carbon disulphide used in the soil as for ordinary ants, but many tests must be made before any treatment can be recommended.

False Apple Red Bug in Connecticut.—For three seasons at least, red bugs have been present and caused considerable damage in the apple orchards at Conyers Manor, Greenwich, Conn. We did not see specimens of the insects responsible for the damage, nor visit the orchard, until August, 1914, too late to find the bugs at work. The species was not identified.

During June, 1914, Mr. Zappe discovered some red bugs at work on the leaves of some small apple trees planted in nursery rows on the Station grounds. These trees bore no fruit but the leaves had been curled, red-spotted, and distorted by the bugs as shown on plate XX, a. The species causing the trouble seemed to be the false red bug *Lygidea mendax* Reut., and this identification was later confirmed by Mr. O. Heidemann of the U. S. National Museum at Washington, D. C. This insect is shown on plate XX, a.

There are two similar species injuring apple, the red bug Heterocordylus malinus Reut., and the false red bug Lygidea mendax Reut. Both belong to the family Capsidæ. Not only do these two species look much alike to the untrained observer but they cause similar damage to the fruit and foliage, by sucking out the sap. Their punctures in the young fruit cause it to devolop unevenly resulting in irregular or gnarled fruit, and the leaves are also curled and distorted by them.

Both species were described by the late Doctor O. M. Reuter of Helsingfors, Finland, in *Acta Soc. Sci. Fennicæ* XXXVI, pp. 47, 71, 1909. The best economic account of these insects may be

found in Bulletin 291 of the Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station, by C. R. Crosby, published under date of January, 1911.

Any one noticing the presence of red bugs in 1915, or the injury caused by them, should communicate with the State Entomologist.

Mr. Crosby found in New York State that red bugs could be controlled by thoroughly spraying with "Black Leaf 40", ½ pint in 50 gallons of water, to which about 2 pounds of soap has been added. This nicotine solution may be used in combination with lead arsenate, lime-sulphur, or Bordeaux mixture in the regular spray treatment. Soap is hardly necessary when the nicotine is used thus in combination.

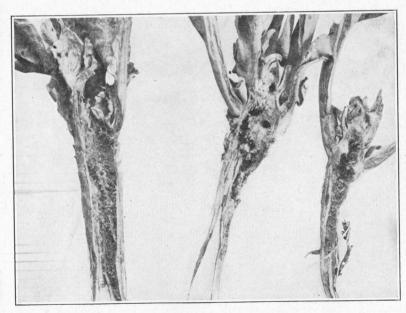
The Hickory Bark Borer.—In the Report for 1913, page+237, is an account of the hickory trees dying on the Station grounds and elsewhere in the vicinity. It is true that following a severe drought a few trees died and that we could find few bark beetles present—not nearly enough to have caused their death. On the other hand, sections of the trees were placed in breeding cages and all insects emerging from the wood or bark were caught and saved. A considerable number of weevils *Magdalis olyra* Hbst., were bred from these trees.

Other trees did not put out leaves in the spring of 1914 and most of these showed abundant evidence of the attacks of the hickory bark borer *Scolytus quadrispinosus* Say., and were removed. Late in June several trees which had previously appeared healthy began to drop their leaves which had been eaten partially off at the base by the adult beetles. On July 3, these trees were thoroughly sprayed with powdered lead arsenate, 4 pounds in 50 gallons of water. It was rather late for the treatment anyway and there was not much opportunity to observe the result. Many leaves had been eaten partially off before the spraying and continued to break and fall for sometime afterward. Nevertheless more fresh leaves dropped from an unsprayed tree nearby than fell from the sprayed trees. This insect and its work are shown on plates XXI and XXII.

Particularly where lead arsenate and "Black Leaf 40" were used dead beetles were found on the tar walk underneath the trees on July 5, and a few were observed each time we looked for them until about the first of August. Next year we shall spray again at least a month earlier in the season.



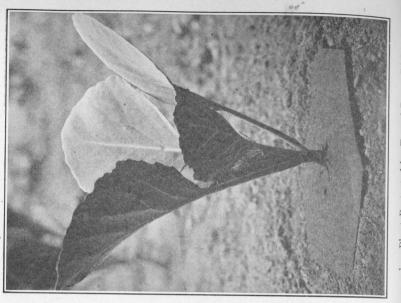
a. View in Field showing an Infested Plant among Healthy Ones.



b. Cabbage Stems Hollowed out by Maggots. Nearly Natural Size.

THE CABBAGE MAGGOT.

PLATE X.

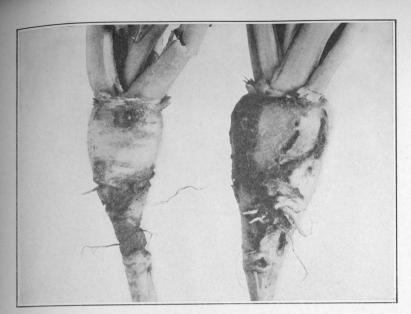


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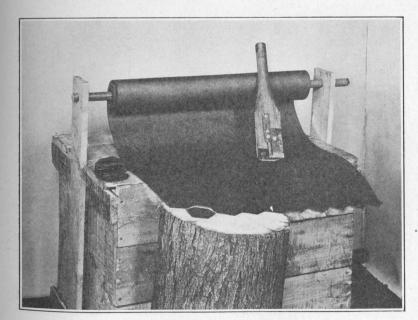


a. Young Cabbage Plant showing

THE CABBAGE MAGGOT.

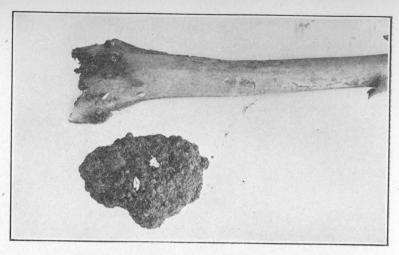


a. Turnips Injured by Maggot.



b. Tool and Device for Cutting Disks.

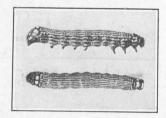
THE CABBAGE MAGGOT.



a. Eggs of the Cabbage Maggot. Twice natural size.

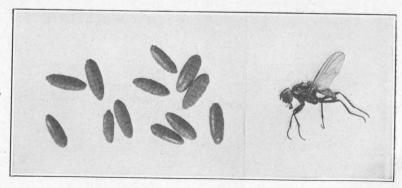


c. Hadena turbulenta Hubn. Natural size.



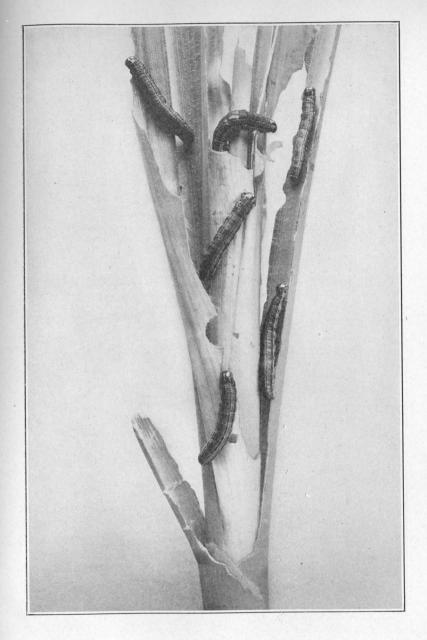
d. Larvæ of *Hadena turbulenta* Hubn.

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b. Puparia and Adult of the Cabbage Maggot. Enlarged.





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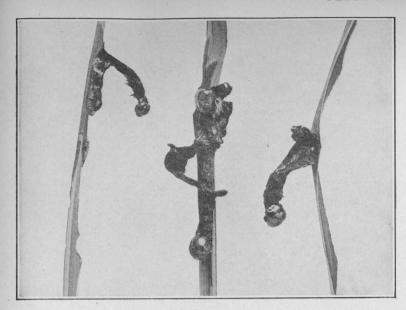


a. Caterpillars Feeding on Grass.



b. Caterpillars Coiled up under Straw.

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a. Caterpillars killed by Wilt Disease hanging on Grass Stalks and Leaves. Twice natural size.

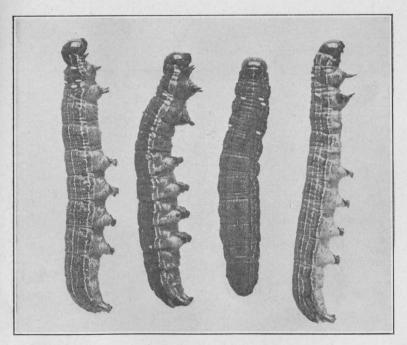


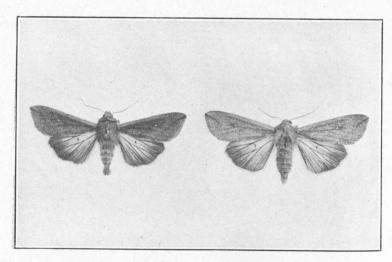
PLATE XVI.



a. Pupæ. Natural size.

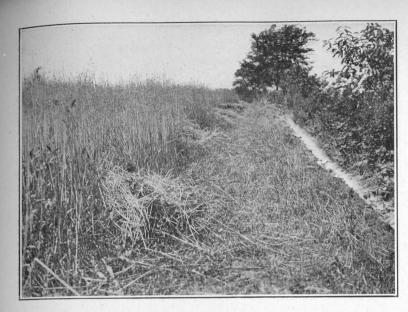


b. A Tachinid Fly Winthemia quadripustulata Fabr. Twice natural size.



c. Army Worm Moths. Natural size.

THE ARMY WORM.



a. View in New Canaan showing Infested Oat Field, with a Swath Cut and a Furrow Plowed to check the Army Worms.



b. Another View showing Furrow Plowed between Oats and Corn.

THE ARMY WORM.

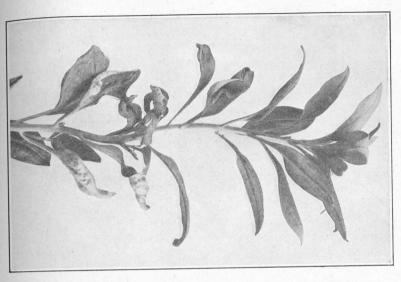


a. Method of Collecting Weevils in White Pine Plantations.

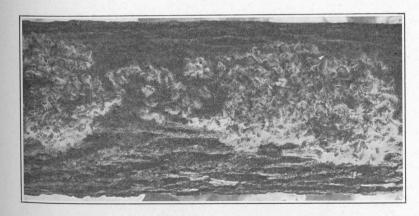


b. Spraying Infested Plants in Greenhouses.



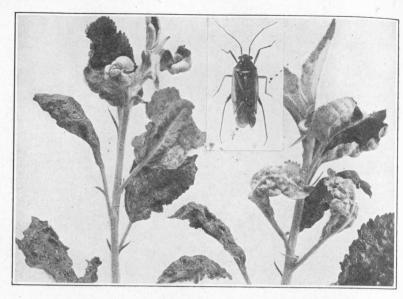


a. Shoot of Snapdragon Plant showing Leaves Curled by Mites and the Clean Growth after Treatment.

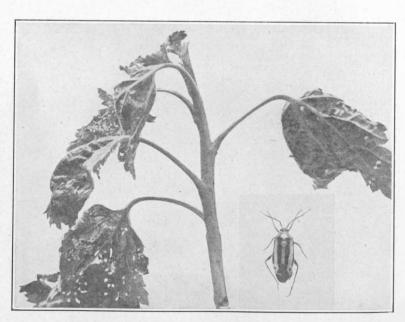


b. Walnut Caterpillars Clustered on Trunk of Tree.

MITE ON SNAPDRAGON PLANTS AND THE WALNUT CATERPILLAR.



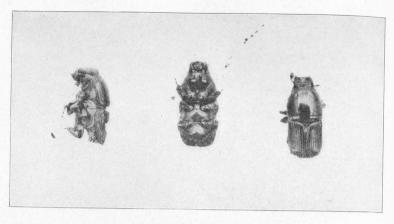
a. Apple Leaves Injured by the False Red Bug.
 Leaves natural size, Bug nearly three times enlarged.



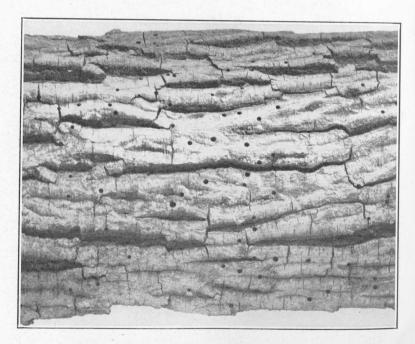
b. Currant Injured by the Four-Lined Leaf-bug. Leaves natural size, Bug twice enlarged.



Trees on Station Grounds Killed by the Hickory Bark Borer.

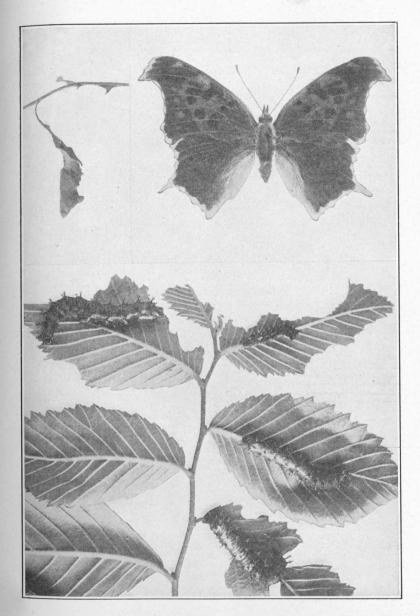


a. Beetles, much enlarged.

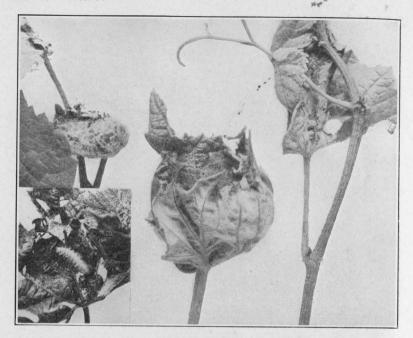


b. Holes in Bark, where Beetles Emerged.

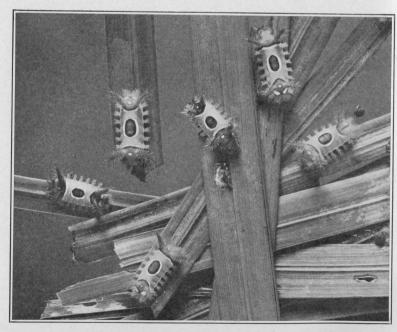
THE HICKORY BARK BORER.



Caterpillars, Cocoon and Adult of the Violet Tip Butterfly.



a. Folded Grape Leaves. Larva in Lower Left-hand Corner.
All natural size.



o. Saddle-back Caterpillars Feeding upon Cat-tail Flag. Natural size.

THE GRAPE PLUME MOTH AND THE SADDLE-BACK

CATERPILLAR.

#### PART IV.

## COMMERCIAL FEEDING STUFFS.

By John Phillips Street.\*

Under the Connecticut statutes the term "concentrated commercial feeding stuff" covers pratically all feeds excepting hay and straw, whole seeds, unmixed meal made directly from any of the cereals or from buckwheat, and feed ground from whole grain and sold directly from manufacturer to consumer.

Section 4592 requires that every package of concentrated commercial feeding stuff shall bear a statement giving the name and address of manufacturer or importer, the number of net pounds in the package, the name of the article and the percentages of protein and fat contained in it.

No registration of feeds or payment of analysis or license fees is required.

The penalty for violation of the statue is not more than \$100 for the first offense and not more than \$200 for each subsequent offense.

The law authorizes this station to take samples from any manufacturer, or dealer, in a prescribed manner, and requires the station to analyze annually at least one sample of each brand which it has collected and to publish these analyses "together with such additional information in relation to the character, composition and use thereof as may be of importance."

#### Inspection of 1914.

In compliance with the above requirements the following report has been prepared. During the fall of 1914 the station sampling agent visited 46 towns and villages of this state and collected 166 samples of feeds. The results of the examination of these samples are here discussed and the chemical analyses are given in Table III.

The analyses of 48 samples sent by individuals are also separately reported, as well as 59 samples of ensilage corn, soy bean fodder and soy beans grown in connection with experimental work.

<sup>\*</sup> The chemical analyses here reported were made by C. H. Shepard and G. L. Davis.

COMMENTS ON ANALYSES.

The official samples may be grouped as follows:

22 Cotton seed meal 2 Linseed meal, new process 8 Linseed meal, old process I Wheat bran I Wheat middlings I Rye feed I Corn gluten meal Corn gluten feed Hominy feed I Corn	No.  1 Malt sprouts 5 Dried brewers' grains 5 Dried distillers' grains 7 Dried beet pulp 10 Corn and oat feeds 3 Wheat and corn cob feeds 2 Horse feeds 22 Dairy and stock feeds 19 Molasses feeds 20 Poultry feeds 1 Fish scrap
I Corn I Buckwheat middlings	20 Poultry feeds 1 Fish scrap
	166 total

#### COMMENTS ON ANALYSES.

Of the 166 official samples, 16 did not meet their guaranties in some particular; 2 in protein, 12 in fat, and 2 in both protein and fat. The number of deficient samples is considerably less than for a number of years past. Table I shows the individual brands which failed to satisfy their guaranties.

TABLE I.—FEEDS BELOW GUARANTY.

Station No.	Committee and the state of the	* Deficie	ency in
No.		Protein.	Fat.
4926	Pilgrim Brand Cotton Seed Meal	2.50	
4980	Cream of Corn Gluten Feed		0.72
4959	Wirthmore Hominy Feed		1.38
4970			0.77
5030	Quinebaug Buckwheat Middlings	4.06	1.04
4991	American Malting Co.'s Malt Sprouts		0.70
4901	Continental Gluten Feed		2.13
5002			2.41
4924	Biles Ready Ration, Union Grains.		1.29
4969	V-B Stock Feed		0.78
4967	Clover Leaf Dairy Feed.	I.00	
4917	H. and S. Alfalfa Feed.		0.46
4893	Wirthmore Growing Feed.		1.25
4872	Wirthmore Poultry Feed		0.76
	Park and Pollard's Fattening Feed		0.49
4954	Red Star Fish Scrap	6.14	0.34

Cotton Seed Meal averaged one-half per cent. more protein than last year with a price \$2.50 per ton lower.

Linseed Meal, New Process, averaged one per cent. more protein than in 1913, but the price per ton was \$3.50 higher. Linseed Meal, Old Process likewise averaged one per cent. more protein than last year with practically no increase in price.

Corn Gluten Meal. The single sample was well above guaranty containing four times as much fat as claimed. A guaranty of one per cent. fat for this product conveys little useful information to the intending purchaser.

Corn Gluten Feed. The thirteen samples ranged in protein from 22.75 to 31.25 per cent., the two extreme samples strangely enough selling for the same price. The ash in the samples ranged from 1.35 to 5.48 per cent. These differences are probably due in large part to the use or exclusion of the "steep liquor," a by-product of glucose manufacture. In the Buffalo and Globe brands the guaranty of 23 per cent. protein and 1 per cent. fat has little relation to the true composition, the samples showing on the average 28.55 and 2.94 per cent., respectively.

Hominy Feed. Contained about the same amount of protein as last year and cost on the average 58 cents per ton less. Samples 4970 and 5018 bore no guaranties at the time of sampling, although both proved to be of standard quality.

Buckwheat Middlings. This sample was far below both its protein and fat guaranty, but the product was of much better quality than the sample secured from the same mill in 1913.

Malt Sprouts. The single sample was very similar both in composition and price to that examined last year. This material is very commonly guaranteed too high for fat.

Dried Brewers' Grains. The five samples were of excellent quality. They averaged 2.50 per cent. more protein than in 1913 with an increased price of one dollar per ton. The protein guaranty for this class of feeds is generally too low. A guaranty of 25 per cent. for a product containing 35 per cent protein is of very little use to the careful feeder. The five samples on the average exceeded their protein guaranty by nearly 5 per cent.

Dried Distillers' Grains. The five samples were all high grade grains, although the guaranty of Continental Gluten Feed is somewhat too high. Compared with 1913 the samples show 2.35 per cent. less protein at an increased cost of \$1.20 per ton.

Dried Beet Pulp. The seven samples were very similar both as regards composition and cost to those examined last year.

<sup>\*</sup>A deficiency of less than 1 per cent of protein and 0.25 per cent. of fat is not noted.

Provender and Corn and Oat Feeds. The samples were of normal composition, the higher amounts of fiber in most of the chop feeds indicating the probable use of low-grade oats or excessive oat hulls. These products show the usual relatively high price when compared with high-grade feeds.

Wheat and Corn Cob Feeds show a slightly higher content of protein than last year at a cost of \$1.50 per ton higher. It happens that the average price of these feeds is the same as that of our single sample of wheat bran, although the latter contains 5 per cent. more protein.

Proprietary Horse, Dairy and Stock Feeds. These require no special comment further than to all attention to the fact that while high-grade materials are used in the compounding of certain brands, many of them consist of relatively inferior materials sold at an excessively high price. Among the dairy and stock feeds we find brands containing from 9 to 11 per cent. protein selling for \$29 to \$30 per ton, some containing from 9 to 26 per cent. for \$32 to \$34, and others containing 11 to 28 per cent. for \$35 to \$37. In other words, as often pointed out by us, the selling price as a rule bears no relation to the feeding value of the feed. With a very few exceptions feeds of this class are an expensive luxury to the feeder.

Proprietary Poultry Feeds. Sample 4973 did not bear the guaranty required by law. The guaranty of M. and S. Dry Mash bears no relation to the feed's composition, an excess of 8.75 per cent. protein and 2.53 per cent. fat being shown. The single sample of Fish Scrap showed a protein deficiency of 6.14 per cent.

Molasses Feeds. Nineteen samples of this class of feeds were examined. They are compounded from a variety of materials, including corn, oats, wheat bran, alfalfa, dried brewers's grains, dried distillers' grains, cotton seed meal and dried beet pulp. In one brand peat, and in another sphagnum moss, was substituted for feed. The ether extract in all of these samples was determined by the regular official method and by the modified method described in our report of last year. In general the modified method gives higher percentages of fat, but in certain samples, notably the beet pulp feeds, somewhat more fat was obtained by the official method. The results given in our general tables were secured by the modified method. In the table which follows the results obtained by both methods are given, as well as the amount of water-soluble material found in these feeds. This latter figure indicates roughly

the maximum amount of molasses or sugar present. Our results last year showed that considerable of the protein in these feeds was soluble in cold water, so that the percentages reported in Table II for water extract in most cases are doubtless somewhat higher than the actual amount of molasses or sugar solids present.

TABLE II.—MOLASSES FEEDS.

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Rrand.	Soluble i Cold Wat	In Original Material	In Water- Extracted Material
4966 4967 Clover Leaf Dairy Feed. 4985 Anchor Horse Feed. H. and S. Alfalfa Feed H. and S. Alfalfa Feed for Milch Cows. 4897 Badger Dairy Feed. Badger Horse Feed. Dried Beet Pulp and Molasses.  " " " " "  4933 4956 Molassine Meal. Peter's King Corn Sugar Feed. Purina Dairy Feed. Purina Dairy Feed. Purina Peed with Molasses. Blue Ribbon Dairy Feed. Quaker Dairy Feed with Molasses. Arab Balanced Horse Ration. Prize Horse Feed. 4930 Xtra-Vim Feed.	25.48 24.60 14.00 36.44 31.72 30.96 23.88 11.80 10.32 15.32 61.08 27.00 26.04 21.52 24.44 24.28 26.88 33.76 63.68	6.34 4.47 4.44 2.23 3.21 4.10 2.37 1.08 0.73 0.94 0.43 1.76 4.48 2.73 5.53 4.75 2.19 0.48	6.10 4.17 3.84 3.04 4.13 3.83 2.31 0.35 0.40 0.80 2.65 4.45 2.38 5.39 4.45 2.52 1.87 0.80

#### UNOFFICIAL SAMPLES.

Forty-eight samples sent in by individuals have also been analyzed. The station is responsible for the accuracy of the analysis, but not for the sampling, of these samples.

Cotton Seed Meal. Four samples of *Dixie Brand*, Humphreys Godwin Co., Memphis, Ten., were guaranteed 41 per cent. protein; **3850**, **5191** and **5235**, sent by The Coles Co., Middletown, contained 38.13, 42.63 and 41.69 per cent, respectively; **5189**, sent by H. B. Coger, Newtown, contained 42.50 per cent. Two other samples of the same brand, but guaranteed 38.62 per cent. protein, **5138**, sent by The E. W. Spurr Co., Lakeville and **4683**, sent by W. C. Everett, Bloomfield, contained 38.81 and 40.94 per cent. respectively. Still another sample of the same brand without

#### TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

No.		
Station, No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
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	OIL SEED PRODUCTS.	1
5006	*Farmer Brand. J. E. Bartlett Co., Jackson	1,
4978 4885	Mich. Owl Brand. F. W. Brode & Co., Memphis, Tenr	. Winsted: E. Manchester & Sons Stamford: W. L. Crabb
4982 4902	Buckeye Buckeye Cotton Oil Co., Cincinnati, C	D. Bethel: Morrison & Dunham Hazardville: A. D. Bridge's
5017	Good Luck Brand. S. P. Davis, Little Rock	. Co
4878	Dixie Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Mem	East Haven: F. A. Forbes
4880	Dixie Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Memphis, Tenn.	Guilford: Morse & Landon
4921	Dixie Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co. Mem	
4952	phis, Tenn. Dixie Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Memphis, Tenn.	Hartford: Smith, Northam Co.
5072	Dixie Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Mem	- New Haven: Crittenden-Ben-
4931	Fortat Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Mem	
5015	phis, Tenn Forfat Brand. Humphreys, Godwin Co., Mem phis, Tenn	. Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co Manchester: Little & Mc- Kinney
4940	Canary Brand. C. L. Montgomery & Co., Memphis, Tenn	Norwich: Norwich Grain Co
5028 4898 4926	Robin Brand. G. B. Robinson, Jr., New York. Pilgrim Brand. J. E. Soper Co., Boston	Danielson: Young Bros. Co Meriden: A. Grulich
4946	u u u	Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co. Norwich: C. Slosberg
4941 4965	Pioneer " " " " "	Norwich: Norwich Grain Co
5023	« « « «	Bristol: Goodsell Bros Willimantic: E. A. Buck
5035	Durjan Brand. Union Brok. & Com. Co., New Orleans, La.	New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co
	Linear Mark Now D	Average guaranty
4904	Linseed Meal, New Process. American Linseed Co., Chicago	Thompsonville: Geo. S. Phelps
5031	Hypro. American Linseed Co., New York	& Co. New Haven: R. G. Davis & Son Average guaranty Average of these 2 analyses. Average digestible.

<sup>\*</sup> Statement of dealer.

#### SAMPLED IN 1914.

	Pounds per Hundred.						Price
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.
5006	8.13	5.93	42.75	10.23	22.62	10.34	\$33.00
4978	8.22	6.28	43.88	7.73	27.15	6.74	35.00
4885	8.61	6.73	42.19	9.90	24.39	8.18	35.00
4982	7.01	5.95	38.69	12.00	30.31	6.04	35.00
4902	6.05	5.75	38.00	12.45	30.84	6.91	31.00
5017	7.90	6.30	43.44	8.33	26.03	8.00	31.00
4878	-7.87	5.70	39.56	11.05	28.53	7.29	32.00
4880	7.50	5.68	38.56	11.45	29.84	6.97	33.00
4921	7.91	5.68	42.06	9.00	27.71	7.64	34.00
4952	7.65	5.88	38.00	12.38	29.82	6.27	34.00
5072	8.35	5.83	38.11	10.13	29.24	8.34	
4931	7.48	7.20	40.94	9.50	27.39	7.49	31.00
5015	8.67	5.95	40.31	9.03	28.97	7.07	34.00
4940	7.74	7.80	42.50	7.23	25.82	8.91	33.00
5028	7.54	6.25	40.19	9.30	29.55	7.17	30.00
4898	7.74	6.48	40.19	9.18	28.79	7.62	32.00
4926	7.89	5.45	36.00	12.60	28.79	9.27	31.00
4946	7.53	6.20	39.81	9.85	28.74	7.87	31.00
4941	7.64	6.13	41.13	8.75	28.67	7.68	33.00
4965 5023	7.66	5.80 6.30	40.75	9.40 8.20	28.92 30.20	7.47 7.84	34.00
5035	9.30	7.13	43.13 <b>39.53</b>	6.40	25.21	8.83	33.00
				0.70	00.07	6.12	32.8
	7.79	6.20	40.48	9.73	28.07 21.9	7.73	32.8.
			34.00	3.4	21.5	1.0	
4904	7.83	5.70	36.00	8.95	38.45	3.07	37.0
5031	9.08	5.68	37.88 <b>34.50</b>	8.18	35.48	3.70 2.00	39.0
	8.45	5.69	36.94	8.56	36.97	3.39	38.0
			31.00	6.3	29.6	3.0	

#### TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

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Station No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
4877 5011 4948 4998	OIL SEED PRODUCTS.—Continued.  Linseed Meal, Old Process.  American Linseed Co., Buffalo, N. Y.  ""  Amco. American Milling Co., Peoria, Ill.  ""  ""  ""	East Haven: F. A. Forbes Torrington: F. U. Wadhams. Norwich: C. Slosberg Middletown: Meech & Stoddard, Inc
4927 5000 4888 4957	Kelloggs & Miller, Amsterdam, N. Y	Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co. New Britain: C. W. Lines
	WHEAT PRODUCTS.	
4943	Bran. Yellowstone Valley Mills, Fairview, Mont.	Norwich: Norwich Grain Co Digestible
5024	Winona Middlings. Bay State Mill. Co., Winona, Minn	Storrs: College
4881	RYE PRODUCTS. Feed. Boutwell Mill. & Grain Co., Troy, N. Y.	Ansonia: Ansonia Flour & Grain Co
	MAIZE PRODUCTS. Corn Gluten Meal.	
4929	Diamond. Corn Products Ref. Co., New York.	Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co. Guaranty. Digestible
4906	Corn Gluten Feed. Buffalo. Corn Products Ref. Co., New York	Thompsonville: Geo. S. Phelps
4920	a a a a	& Co
5001	u a a a	Co New Britain: C. W. Lines Average guaranty Average of these 3 analyses
4980	Cream of Corn. American Maize Prod. Co., New	Average digestible
5003	York Cream of Corn. American Maize Prod. Co., New York	Bethel: Morrison & Dunham. Winsted: E. Manchester & Sons
5020	Clinton. Clinton Sugar Ref. Co., Clinton, Ia	Average guaranty
		Guaranty Digestible

	Pounds per Hundred.						
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.
					Carrier State		
4877	9.30	5.20	35.13	8.18	36.67	5.52	\$36.00
5011	9.76	5.28	35.44	7.75	36.25	5.52 6.64	40.00
4948	9.90	5.70	30.31	7.83	39.62	0.04	33.00
0	9.45	5.73	30.38	9.15	38.03	7.26	35.50
4998	9.45	5.20	35.50	7.78	35.84	6.07	37.00
4927 5000	9.57	5.03	35.69	7.35	34.70	7.66	39.00
4888	8.73	5.00	35.19	7.75	35.14	8.19	36.00
4957	9.88	5.10	34.00	7.33	35.75	7.94	38.00
			32.25	7.00	36.50	5.00 6.85	37.06
	9.52	5.28	33.96 30.2	7.89 4.5	28.5	6.1	
			30.2	4.0	20.0	0.5	
4943	9.12	5.85	.16.13	11.08	52.87	4.95 3.1	28.00
4743			12.4	4.3	37.5		
5024	10.80	4.98	17.31 13.3	7.23	54·44 <b>42.5</b>	5.24 <b>4.6</b>	
			13.3	2.2	42.5	4.0	
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4881	9.66	3.42	15.75	4.98	62.86	3.33 3.0	33.00
		þ.g	15.75 <b>12.6</b>		55.3	3.0	
4929	6.72	1.48	40.50	1.33	45.92	4.05	38.00
			40.00		40.4	1.00	
			35.6		40.4	3.0	
4906	9.38	4.33	29.81	6.30	46.67	3.51	35.00
4920	9.63	1.10	28.00	6.68	47.99	3.30	34.00
5001	9.46	4.40	26.81	6.52	48.78	3.70	36.00
	9.40	4.73	23.00			1.00	
B	9.49	4.49	28.21	6.50	47.81	3.50	35.00
			24.0	5.7	43.0	2.8	
4980	9.45	3.00	25.44	6.08	54.25	1.78	33.00
5003	12.25	2.65	24.50	5.98	51.70	2.92	34.00
			23.00		50.00	2.50	33.50
	10.85	2.82	24.97	6.03	52.98 47.7	2.35 1.9	33.30
5020			21.2	5.2			32.00
	9.00	2.05	26.94 <b>23.00</b>	6.40	52.57	3.04	32.00
			22.9	5.6	47.3	2.5	

TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

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Station No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
4935 4987	MAIZE PRODUCTS.—Continued.  Corn Gluten Feed.—Continued.  Douglas. Douglas Co., Cedar Rapids, Ia  """""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	New London: P. Schwartz Co. New Milford: G. E. Ackley Co. Average guaranty Average of these 2 analyses Average digestible
4882	Globe. Corn Products Ref. Co., New York	Ansonia: Ansonia Flour & Grain Co
4887	« « « «	North Haven: Co-öperative
	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Feed Co
4879 4994	K. K. K. J. C. Hubinger Bros. Co., Keokuk, Ia.	Guilford: Morse & Landon  New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co
		Average digestible
5008	Staley's. A. E. Staley Mfg. Co., Decatur, Ill	Winsted: M. D. Leonard & Co. Guaranty. Digestible.
5029	Hominy Feed. Homco. American Hominy Co., Indianapolis, Ind	Danielson: Quinebaug Mills
4894	Bufceco. Buffalo Cereal Co., Buffalo, N. Y	Meriden: Meriden Grain &
4976 4942	« « « « «	Feed Co
4959 4970	Wirthmore. Chas. M. Cox Co., Boston	Average guaranty.  Hamden: I. W. Beers  Norwalk: Holmes, Keeler & Kent Co
4874	Evans. Evans Milling Co., Indianapolis, Ind	Branford: S. V. Osborn
4915	Badger. Chas. A. Krause Mill. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.	Guaranty East Hartford: G. M. White & Co. Guaranty
4909	Steam Cooked. Miner-Hillard Mill. Co., Wilkes-	Suffield: Spencer Bros
4922	Steam Cooked. Miner-Hillard Mill. Co., Wilkes-	Hartford: Smith, Northam &
5013	barre, Pa. Steam Cooked. Miner-Hillard Mill. Co., Wilkesbarre, Pa.	Torrington: D. L. Talcott Average guaranty
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<sup>\*</sup> Statement of dealer.

	Pounds per Hundred.						Price
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.
4935 4987	9.52 9.27	4.85 2.73	26.44 22.88 <b>20.00</b>	5.75 5.90	51.03 56.67	2.41 2.55 <b>2.00</b>	\$34.00 33.00
	9.39	3.79	24.66 21.0	5.83 5.0	53.85 48.2	2.48 2.0	33.50
4882	7.93	4.05	31.25	4.13	49.82	2.82	34.00
4887	6.17	4.50	26.88 <b>23.00</b>	6.30	54.80	1.35 1.00	31.00
	7.05	4.27	29.07 24.7	5.21 4.5	52.31 47.1	2.09	32.50
4879	7.86	1.63	26.13	6.15	53.95	4.28	32.00
4994	7.90	1.80	22.75 <b>23.00</b>	7.10	54.97	5.48 <b>2.40</b>	34.00
	7.88	1.72	24.44 20.8	6.62 5.8	54.46 49.0	4.88	33.00
5008	8.13	4.43	26.00 <b>23.00</b>	6.20	52.54	2.70 2.50	34.00
			22.1	5.4	47.3	2.2	
5029	9.25	2.70	11.31 9.50	4.00	63.42	9.32 7.00	31.00
4894	8.78	2.88	11.31	4.45	66.78	5.80	31.00
4976 4942	10.14	2.68 2.68	11.25	3.73 5.18	64.71 64.24	7.49 6.43 <b>6.00</b>	30.00
4959	9.79	2.63	10.00	4.68	65.34	6.12	31.00
4970	8.16	2.85	12.00 9.50	4.88	65.38	6.73 <b>7.50</b>	35.00
4874	8.14	2.68	11.44 10.00	5.40	64.05	8.29 7.50	32.00
		2.45			67.01	6.09	33.00
4915	9.08	2.45	10.94 10.00	4.43		6.00	
4909	10.38	2.83	11.38	4.23	64.26	6.92	30.00
4922	8.98	2.90	11.63	3.40	65.93	7.16	34.00
5013	10.14	2.98	12.13	3.53	63.88	7·34 5.00	33.00

TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

Station No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
4916 4949 4937 4990 5014	Patent Cereals Co., Geneva, N. Y.	& Co Yantic: A. R. Manning. Average guaranty. New London: J. N. Bragaw. Danbury: F. C. Benjamin.
5018 4947 4993	*Simpson, Hendee Co., New York	Kinney  Rockville: E. White  Norwich: C. Slosberg  New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co.
4886	Frumentum. U. S. Frumentum Co., Detroit Mich	Average guaranty. North Haven: Coöperative Feed Co. Guaranty. Average guaranty of all. Average of these 20 analyses. Average digestible.
<ul><li>5036</li><li>5030</li></ul>	Argentine Corn  BUCKWHEAT PRODUCTS.  Middlings. Quinebaug Grist Mill, Danielson	New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co
4991	Brewery AND DISTILLERY PRODUCTS.  Malt Sprouts. Standard. American Malting Co., New York	New_Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co
4876 5022	Bull Brand. Farmers Feed Co., New York	Digestible  East Haven: F. A. Forbes
4875 4907	Providence Brewing Co., Providence, R. I  Pilsner. Rosekans-Snyder Co., Philadelphia	Average guaranty.  Branford: S. V. Osborn  Guaranty.  Guaranty.
4950	Western Grains & Feed Co., Chicago	Suffield: Spencer Bros. Guaranty. Yantic: A. R. Manning Guaranty Average of these 5 samples Average digestible

<sup>\*</sup> Statement of dealer.

	Pounds per Hundred.				ED.		Price
tation No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.
				- Proposi	Saghtment		
					66.16	6.99	\$33.00
4916	9.60	2.28	10.94	4.03	64.65	7.11	33.00
4949	10.85	2.10	11.00	4		6.25	
1027	10.41	2.80	11.69	4.85	63.53	6.72	31.00
4937	9.60	2.53	11.31	4.95	64.93	6.68	34.00
4990			10.00			6.00	
FOLA	11.04	2.03	10.44	2.83	67.37	6.29	35.00
5014			9.00			4.00	
5018	9.76	2.95	11.69	4.95	63.68	6.97	34.00
4947	9.29	2.88	11.63	5.53	64.28	6.39	32.00
1002	8.98	3.13	11.94	4.50	64.15	7.30	31.00
4993			10.00			6.00	
4886	6.86	2.75	11.94	5.05	64.26	9.14	30.00
4000	0.00	2.75	9.50			7.30	
			9.95			6.12	32.20
	9.47	2.69	11.44	4.44	64.90 57.8	7.06 6.5	32.20
			7.4	3.0	51.0	0.0	V 100
5026	** 60	7.50	0.25	1.58	71.21	4.75	31.00
5036	11.68	1.53	9.25	1.30			
5030	10.17	4.55	25.69	15.30	37.83	6.46 <b>7.50</b>	32.00
			29.75			7.50	
		-					
4991	5.77	5.53	26.94	12.88	47.82	1.06	27.00
	5.77	3.33	19.12			1.76	
			21.6	4.4	33.0	1.1	
4876	5.68	3.20	30.56	13.23	39.77	7.56	28.00
5022	5.29	3.63	26.31	14.70	43.00	7.07	28.00
			27.20			6.30	
4875	6.91	3.50	28.81	13.93	40.42	6.43 <b>5.00</b>	30.00
4907	6.55		25.00	10.10	20.22	6.45	32.00
	6.51	2.48	35.13 25.00	10.10	39.33	5.00	32.0
4950	7.63	3.88	30.44	13.13	38.28	6.64	30.00
			25.00			5.00	20 60
	6.40	3.34	30.25 24.5	13.02	40.16 22.9	6.83	29.60

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	TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMM	MERCIAL FEEDS
Station, No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
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4989	Brewery and Distillery Products.—Cont'd Dried Distillers' Grains.  Ajax Flakes. Ajax Mill. & Feed Co., Hammond Ind.	, New Milford: G. T. Soule
4901	Continental Gluten Feed. Continental Cerea	Digestible
5002	Co., Peoria, III.  Continental Gluten Feed. Continental Cerea Co., Peoria, III.	Winsted: F Manahastan 8
		Average guaranty Average of these 2 analyses.
4963	Corn 3 D Grains. The Dewey Bros. Co., Blan-	Average digestible
5019	chester, O Corn 3 D Grains. The Dewey Bros. Co., Blanchester, O	Plainville: Eaton Bros Rockville: E. White
		Average digestible
4999 4961 5010 4889 4919 5005	MISCELLANEOUS FEEDS. *Dried Beet Pulp. Menominee River Sugar Co., Menominee, Mich. Michigan Sugar Co., Sebewaing, Mich. Mt. Clemens Sugar Co., Mt. Clemens, Mich. Owasso Sugar Co., Lansing, Mich. Charles Pope, Riverdale, Ill. Toledo Sugar Co., Toledo, O.	New Britain: C. W. Lines West Cheshire: G. W. Thorpe. Torrington: F. U. Wadhams Wallingford: E. E. Hall Hartford: Smith, Northam Co. Winsted: E. Manchester &
4934 4939	PROPRIETARY MIXED FEEDS.  Corn and Oat Feeds, and Chop Feeds.  Caulkins' Provender. Arnold Rudd Co., New	Sons. Mystic: Mystic Grain Co Average guaranty. Average of these 7 analyses Average digestible.
4884	Puface Of B	New London:
4925	Provender. C. W. Campbell Co., Westerly	Guaranty
4984	Corn and Oats. Globe Elevator Co. Buffele	Guaranty
4988	N. Y. No. I Chop Feed. Globe Elevator Co., Buffalo, N. Y.	New Milford: G. E. Ackley Co.
4945 5004		New Milford: G. T. Soule Guaranty Norwich: C. Slosberg Guaranty
,	* Soo also M.1. B.	Winsted:

<sup>\*</sup> See also Molasses Feeds, page 216.

	Pounds per Hundred.							
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.	
4989	6.11	2.83	31.25	11.13	36.52	12.16	\$35.00	
4909			30.00 22.8	10.6	29.6	11.00 11.6		
			22.8	10.0	25.0	11.0		
4901	9.20	4.33	28.13	6.53	43.44	8.37	35.00	
5002	8.57	4.10	28.13	6.70	44.41	8.09	36.00	
		4.00	29.00 28.13	6.61	43.93	10.50 8.23	35.50	
	8.88	4.22	20.5	6.3	35.6	7.8		
	6	4.45	20.00	8.38	40.09	11.31	36.00	
4963 5019	6.77 7.38	4.45	29.00 27.94	8.45	41.00	10.70	36.00	
5019			26.00			9.00	36.00	
	7.07	4.49	28.47 20.8	8.41 8.0	40.55 32.8	11.01 10.5	30.00	
			20.6	0.0	02.0	20.0		
4999	7.90	2.45	8.38	19.65	60.55	1.07	30.00	
4961	8.77	3.08	7.63	19.08	60.81	0.63	30.00	
5010	5.09	3.18	9.19 8.69	20.53 20.75	61.47 59.94	0.54	30.00 27.00	
4889 4919	6.92 7.64	3.13	8.69	18.88	60.35	1.31	30.00	
5005	9.39	3.95	9.19	19.50	57.28	0.69	30.00	
4934	8.14	3.20	8.44	19.93	59.59	0.70 <b>0.50</b>	31.00	
	7.69	3.12	8.00 8.60	19.76	60.00	0.83	29.71	
			5.5	16.6	54.6			
4939	11.53	2.38	10.31	4.83	66.98	3.97	34.00	
4884	8.71	3.70	10.00	10.65	61.60	5·34 3.00	35.00	
4925			7.00	6.65	64.70		27.00	
4925	11.18	2.40	8.00	6.60	64.70	4·37 <b>3.00</b>	37.00	
4984						The section of	38.00	
	10 55	2.95	10.88	7.13	63.37	5.12	30.00	
4988	9.12	4.25	7.63 <b>7.00</b>	10.60	64.55	3.85	33.00	
4945	7.00			0.83	61.67	6.82	22.00	
	7.99	3.50	9.00	9.83	01.07	4.00	32.00	
5004	10.04	2.98	11.50	6.55	62.25	6.68	36.00	

## TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

Station No.	Brand,	Retail Dealer.
4996 5037 5032	PROPRIETARY MIXED FEEDS.—Continued. Corn and Oat Feeds, and Chop Feeds.—Continued. Korn-Oato Feed. Meech & Stoddard, Inc., Middletown. Boss Feed. Quaker Oats Co., Chicago Victor Feed. Quaker Oats Co., Chicago	Middletown: Guaranty. New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co Guaranty. New Haven: R. G. Davis &
5007 4992	Wheat and Corn Cob Feeds.  Holstein Feed. Indiana Mill. Co., Terre Haute, Ind.  Sterling Feed. Indiana Mill. Co., Terre Haute, Ind.	New Haven: Crittenden-Benham Co.
4900	Kennebec Feed. J. E. Soper Co., Boston	Guaranty  Meriden: A. Grulich. Guaranty  Average of these 3 analyses  Average digestible
4914 4932	*Horse Feeds.  Bufceco Horse Feed. Buffalo Cereal Co., Buffalo, N. Y	& Co
4912	*Dairy and Stock Feeds. Blatchford's Calf Meal. Blatchford C. M.	Guaranty
4928	Dia Bri C. W. S.	& Co. Guaranty Westerly:
4962	Unicorn Dairy Ration, Chapin & Co Ham	Guaranty
5038	mond, Ind Chapin & Co., Ham-	West Cheshire: G. W. Thorpe.  Middlefield: C. U. Burnham.  Average guaranty
4911	Will difficult block reed. Chas. W. Lox Lo Boe-	Average of these 2 analyses  Suffield: Arthur Sikes  Guaranty
5021 4918	chester, O	Willimantic: H. A. Bugbee Guaranty
	Cincago	Hartford: Smith, Northam & Co
4896	Grandin's Stock Feed. D. H. Grandin Mill. Co., Jamestown, N. Y	
	* See also Molasses Foods page 216	Additional and the second second

<sup>\*</sup> See also Molasses Feeds, page 216.

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	Pounds per Hundred.							
Station No.	Water. Ash.		Ash. Protein. (N x 6.25.)		Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.	
4996	9.93	2.73	8.38 <b>7.00</b>	10.33	65.42	3.21 3.00	\$27.50	
5037	8.84	4.18	11.38 <b>8.00</b>	10.30	60.56	4·74 3.00	32.00	
5032	8.80	3.70	9.56 <b>8.00</b>	9.03	64.42	4·49 3.00	32.00	
5007	9.77	4.93	11.88 11.00	17.98	51.95	3.49 <b>3.00</b>	30.00	
4992  4900	8.92  8.51	4.43  4.20	10.69 10.00 10.56 9.80	14.63  17.10	58.03  56.50	3.30 3.00 3.13 2.75	27.00	
	9.07	4.52	11.04 7.0	16.57 4.6	55.49 39.4	3.31 3.0	28.00	
4914	8.07	3.58	12.38 <b>10.00</b>	10.18	60.94	4.85 <b>4.00</b>	34.00	
4932	9.27	5.13	11.50 11.00	11.20	58.81	4.09 <b>4.00</b>	33.00	
4912	10.05	5.35	24.75 <b>24.00</b>	6.63	47.80	5.42 5.00	70.00	
4928	8.93	4.15	23.19 20.00	8.68	49.06	5.99 <b>5.50</b>	32.00	
4962	7.61	5.00	27.13	11.08	42.20	6.98	35.00	
5038	8.16	6.90	25.88 <b>26.00</b>	9.83	41.85	7.38 <b>5.50</b>	33.50	
4911	<b>7.88</b> 8.67	<b>5.95</b> 3.45	<b>26.51</b> 10.81	<b>10.45</b> 9.33	<b>42.03</b> 61.22	7.18 6.52 4.00	34.25 35.00	
5021	8.07	4.60	9.00 28.25 <b>25.00</b>	10.30	41.15	7.63 7.00	35.00	
4918	10.24	2.85	10.69	5.43	66.69	4.10 <b>3.50</b>	37.00	
_4896	7.64	4.00	10.38	10.78	59.91	7.29	33.00	

TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

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Station No.	econos to conesi	
Static	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
4955 4936 4979 4986 4895 4890	PROPRIETARY MIXED FEEDS.—Continued.  * Dairy and Stock Feeds.—Continued. Grandin's Stock Feed. D. H. Grandin Mill. Co., Jamestown, N. Y.  Algrane Milk Feed. H. O. Co.'s Mills, Buffalo, N. Y.  Algrane Milk Feed. H. O. Co.'s Mills, Buffalo, N. Y.  New England Stock Feed. H. O. Co.'s Mills, Buffalo, N. Y.  Badger Stock Feed. Chas. A. Krause Mill. Co., Milwaukee, Wis.  Larro-Feed for Dairy Cows. Larrowe Mill. Co., Detroit, Mich.	Co Average guaranty Average of these 2 analyses  New London: P. Schwartz Co. South Norwalk: S. Roodner  Average guaranty  Average of these 2 analyses  New Milford: G. E. Ackley Co. Guaranty  Meriden: A. Grulich.  Guaranty  Meriden: Meriden Grain & Feed Co
4905	Larro-Feed for Dairy Cows. Larrowe Mill. Co., Detroit, Mich	Thompsonville: Geo. S. Phelps & Co
4997	M. & S. Stock Feed. Meech & Stoddard, Middle-	Average of these 2 analyses  Middletown:
5027	Sugarota Cali Meal, North West Mills Co	Guaranty  Putnam: Bosworth Bros
4951	Winona, Minn	Vantice A R Manning
4903	Chicago. Schumacher's Stock Feed. Quaker Oats Co., Chicago.	Sons
4983	Winner Feed. David Stott, Detroit, Mich	Guaranty
4924	Biles Ready Ration (Union Grains). Ubiko Milling Co., Cincinnati, O	Guaranty  Hartford: C. A. Pease & Co
4969	V-B Stock Feed. Vincent Bros., Bridgeport	Guaranty
4966	Molasses Feeds. Sucrene Dairy Feed. American Milling Co.,	Milford: E. L. Oviatt
4967	Peoria, Ill. Clover Leaf Dairy Feed. Clover Leaf Mill. Co.,	Guaranty  Milford: E. L. Oviatt
4985	Anchor Horse Feed. Glove Elevator Co., Buf-	New Milford: G. E. Ackley Co.
4917	falo, N. Y	Guaranty.  East Hartford: G. M. White & Co.  Guaranty.

<sup>\*</sup> See also Molasses Feeds, below.

	Pounds per Hundred.							
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	Price per ton.	
			Sunt		(Part 2 - 3 - 3			
1055	8.80	3.80	10.25	9.28	60.59	7.28	\$29.00	
4955			8.50	10.03	60.25	3.50 7.28	31.00	
	8.22	3.90	10.32	10.03	60.25	1.40	31.00	
4936	8.10	5.18	15.50	12.35	54.01	4.86	36.00	
4979	8.06	5.83	15.88	11.78	53.75	4.70 4.00	34.00	
	8.08	5.51	14.00 15.69	12.06	53.88	4.78	35.00	
4986	9.01	4.73	9.44	10.55	62.20	4.07	34.00	
4900			9.00			4.00		
4895	8.81	4.45	10.19	10.45	60.39	5.71 4.00	30.00	
			10.00			1.00		
4890	8.06	4.70	21.50	12.28	49.65	3.81	36.00	
4905	8.46	5.33	21.75 19.00	12.00	48.06	4.40 <b>3.00</b>	34.00	
	8.26	5.01	21.63	12.14	48.85	4.11	35.00	
4997	9.27	3.23	9.81	8.68	63.44	5.57	29.00	
			9.00			3.00		
5027	10.02	3.95	25.69 <b>14.00</b>	4.95	50.04	5.35 <b>5.00</b>	62.00	
4951	9.26	3.63	18.94	1.83	58.04	8.30	68.00	
••••			19.00			8.00		
4903	9.19	3.15	11.25	9.80	63.35	3.26	35.00	
			10.00			3.25		
4983	9.29	3.40	8.94	9.50	63.74	5.13	30.00	
			9.00			5.00		
4924	7.44	6.58	24.81	9.95	45.51	5.71	35.00	
			24.00			7.00		
4969	7.35	4.98	11.38	18.25	54.22	3.82	29.00	
			9.63			4.60		
4966	10.36	8.35	16.50	13.30	45.39	6.10	30.00	
4967			16.50			3.50		
4907	9.89	9.75	15.50	13.38	47.31	4.17	30.00	
4985	11.03	2.02	16.50 10.81	7.40	62.80	3.50 3.84	10.00	
		3.03	9.00	7.40	63.89	3.00	40.00	
4917	8.44		76.1.	1407	7064			
	0.44	7.40	16.44 <b>14.00</b>	14.05	50.63	3.04 3.50	32.00	

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Table III.—Analyses of Commercial Feeds

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Station. No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER.
	PROPRIETARY MIXED FEEDS.—Continued.	
5033	Molasses Feeds.—Continued.  H. & S. Alfalfa Feed for Milch Cows. Dwight E. Hamlin, Pittsburgh, Pa.	New Haven: R. G. Davis &
		illaranty
4897	Dadger Dairy Feed. Chas. A. Krause Will. Co.	Meriden. A Critich
4899	Badger Horse Feed Chas A Krauge Mill Co.	Guaranty
4953	Milwaukee, Wis.  Dried Beet Pulp and Molasses. Michigan Sugar Co., Bay City, Mich.	Tewett City: Jewett City Grain Co
5012	Dried Beet Pulp and Molasses. Michigan Sugar	
4933	Co., Bay City, Mich.  Dried Beet Pulp and Molasses. Michigan Sugar I Co., Bay City, Mich.	Torrington: D. L. Talcott Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co. Average guaranty
4956	Molassine Meal. The Molassine Co., Boston	Hunden: I. W. Beers
4883	Omaha, Neb	Grain Co
4908	Furma Dairy Feed. Purma Mills, St. Louis S	Suaranty
4910	Turna I ced with Molasses. Furnia Mills. St. S.	Sugranty
4968	Louis.  Blue Ribbon Dairy Feed. Quaker Oats Co., M. Chicago	ingrometre
4958		
4971	Co., Chicago	Kent Co
4974	Prize Horse Feed. J. C. Smith & Wallace Co., G. Newark, N. J	reenwich: J. P. Johnson
4930	Boston	Westerly: C. W. Campbell Co.
4938	Bufceco Poultry Mash Buffalo Cereal Co	Vages I and ans The Asset 1
4977	Buffalo, N. Y.  Bufceco Poultry Mash. Buffalo Cereal Co., S. Buffalo, N. Y.	Rudd Co
4893	Wirthmore Growing Feed. Chas. M. Cox Co., M. Boston.	verage of these 2 analyses  leriden: Meriden Grain & Feed Co
4891	Cox Co., Boston	uaranty

	Pounds per Hundred.							
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.	
5033	9.43	6.20	21.94 <b>20.00</b>	12.38	45·92 	4.13 3.50	\$36.00	
	10.96	11.40	16.13	11.28	46.40	3.83 <b>2.00</b>	30.00	
4897			16.00	10.53	58.39	2.31	35.00	
4899	10.08	8.50	10.00		1	2.00		
4953	9.10	3.53	8.63	17.53	60.86	0.35	26.50	
5012	7·35 8.71	3.65 3.78	8.50 9.13	19.95 17.80	60.24 60.18	0.31 0.40 <b>0.50</b>	29.00	
4933			9.00 8.75	18.43	60.43	0.35	28.17	
	8.39 16.33	3.65 7.78	9.31	6.83	58.95	0.80 <b>0.50</b>	42.00	
4956	10.33		7.00			0.50	1	
	10.10	5.10	9.63	9.95	62.37	2.65	38.00	
4883	10.30		9.00		41.33	1.50 4.45	32.00	
4908	9.61	7.50	19.00	14.98	41.33	3.50		
4910	10.12	6.35	11.56	13.00	56.59	2.38 1.70	38.00	
		6.80	9.30 26.75	11.98	39.74	5.39	34.00	
4968	9.34		25.00			4.45	27.00	
4958	10.64	7.08	17.63 16.00	12.25	47.95	4.00		
			10.00			2.52	39.00	
4971	9.89	5.25	10.63	10.33	61.38	2.32		
4974	10.65	6.83	12.00	10.15	58.50	1.87 2.00	38.00	
4974			10.00		64.74	0.80	36.00	
4930		7.93	5.31 <b>4.61</b>	5.90		0.81		
	1111							
4938	8 060	3.15	16.38	5.50	60.15	5.14	37.00	
497		3.98	17.88	5.73		6.37 <b>4.00</b>	39.00	
		3.57	15.00 17.13	5.61	58.02	5.76	38.00	
					70.17	2.75	40.00	
489	The second secon	2.00	10.00	3.43		4.00		
					0	3.28	40.00	
489		5.05	19 00	7.6		3.00		

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## TABLE III.—ANALYSES OF COMMERCIAL FEEDS

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Station No.	Brand.	RETAIL DEALER,
4892 5034	PROPRIETARY MIXED FEEDS.—Concluded.  Poultry Feeds.—Concluded.  Wirthmore Poultry Mash, Fish & Scrap. Chas. M. Cox Co., Boston	Feed CoGuaranty
4923	Globe Egg Mash. Albert Dickinson Co., Chicago	Guaranty
4973 4960	Dry Mash. Edward R. Donovan, New York Blue Ribbon Laying Mash. Globe Elevator Co.,	Guaranty
5025 5026	Buffalo, N. Y.  Meat Mash for Poultry. Greene's Chicken Feed Co., Marblehead, Mass.  Purity Poultry Mash. Wm. S. Hills Co., Boston	Guaranty  Putnam: Bosworth Bros
4964	H. O. Poultry Feed. The H. O. Mills, Buffalo, N. Y.	Guaranty
4995	N. Y. M. & S. Dry Mash. Meech & Stoddard, Middletown. Mystic Laying Mash. Mystic Mill. & Feed Co.,	(+maranty
4944 4972	Rochester, N. Y	Guarantv
4913	"Lay or Bust" Dry Mash. Park & Pollard, Boston	Guaranty.  East Hartford: G. M. White & Co.  Guaranty.
4975	Purina Chicken Chowder. Purina Mills, St.	South Norwalk: S. Roodner
4981	Louis. American Poultry Feed. Quaker Oats Co., Chicago.	Guaranty
5016	Quaker Poultry Mash. Quaker Oats Co., Chicago	Kinney
5009	V-B Mash for Laying Hens. Vincent Bros., Bridgeport	Guaranty Torrington: F. U. Wadhams Guaranty
4954	Fish Scrap. Red Star Brand. International Glue Co., Boston	Jewett City: Jewett City Grain
		Guaranty

## SAMPLED IN 1914—Concluded.

	Pounds per Hundred.								
Station No.	Water.	Ash.	Protein. (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract. (Starch, gum, etc.)	Ether Extract. (Crude Fat.)	per ton.		
				100 1100					
	The state of								
					A CHARLES		\$40.00		
	9.09	7.30	19.44	6.80	54.13	3.24 <b>4.00</b>	φ40.00		
4892	9.09	7.5	17.00			4.00	1		
			10000	6.85	55.78	4.47	42.00		
5034	10.01	5.70	17.19		33.70	4.47 <b>3.00</b>			
			15.00		CIA ALLO S 1878				
	-0	2.68	10.63	5.50	67.02	4.09	43.00		
4923	10.08	2.00	11.00			2.50	39.00		
	10.68	3.98	13.13	6.68	60.70	4.83 5.66	40.00		
4973	9.71	8.65	20.81	8.65	46.52	3.00			
4960	9.72		20.00			5.11	44.00		
5025	9.23	19.33	14.50	6.93	44.90	3.00			
			12.00	6.12	48.36	6.05	43.00		
5026	8.67	10.68	19.81 <b>18.00</b>	6.43		4.00			
			16.63	8.23	57.37	5.06	40.00		
4964	9.31	3.40	17.00			4.50	38.00		
	9.48	8.48	20.75	6.90	48.87	5.52 3.00			
4995			12.00			4.69	41.00		
4994	10.08	7.60	23.00	6.83	47.80	4.00			
4994			23.00		••••				
				1 = 2	67.36	3.01	45.00		
4972	10.63	4.53	9.94 <b>10.00</b>	4.53		3.50			
			10.00				45.00		
40.72	0.75	11.73	18.19	7.25	49.03	4.05 <b>3.50</b>	45.00		
4913	9.75	11.73	18.00			4.76	44.00		
4975	9.24	7.30	19.69	8.50	50.51	3.00			
			17.00		62.49	5.21	40.00		
4981	10.51	3.50	13.81	4.48	02.49	3.50			
			12.00				1		
5076			19.13	7.55	52.62	5.89	40.00		
5016	7	5.70	17.00	1.33		4.00	42.00		
5009	9.35	8.40	60	10.45		4.94 <b>4.00</b>	42.00		
	9.35		21.50			4.00			
					DESCRIPTION OF THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN				
4954	7 50	10.70	38.86	2.28	3	1.66			
4934		49.70	45.00			2.00			

guaranty, 3698, sent by S. J. Orr, West Suffield contained 40.75 per cent. protein.

Six other samples credited to Humphreys Godwin Co. were analyzed. **3652**, **4691** and **3741**, sent by The Coles Co., Middletown, without guaranty, **5127**, sent by E. F. Miller, Ellington, without guaranty, **3578**, sent by J. L. Blackmar, West Redding, guaranteed 41 per cent. protein, and **3616**, sent by F. C. Benjamin and Co., Danbury, guaranteed 36 per cent. protein, contained 37.44, 39.38, 39.38, 39.31, 42.63 and 37.19 per cent., respectively.

3579, Buckeye Brand, sold by Buckeye Cotton Oil Co., Cincinnati, O., guaranteed 38.62 per cent protein, and sent by H. E. Meeker, Danbury, contained 38.81 per cent.

3717 and 3676, Good Luck Brand, sold by S. P. Davis, Little Rock, Ark., guaranteed 41 per cent protein, and both sent by G. T. Soule, New Milford, contained 41.38 and 40.44 per cent. respectively.

3650 and 3651, Owl Brand, sold by F. W. Brode and Co., Memphis, Tenn., guaranteed 43.70 per cent. protein, and sent by G. T. Soule, New Milford, contained 45.19 and 45.50 per cent, respectively; 3649, also sent by Mr. Soule, guaranteed 41 per cent., contained 37.25 per cent; 5128, same brand, sold by R. J. Hardy and Sons, Boston, and sent by E. H. Rollins, Granby, without guaranty, contained 41.63 per cent. protein.

**4666**, Bonita Brand, sold by Southern Cotton Oil Co., guaranteed 38.62 per cent. protein, and sent by Apothecaries Hall Co., Waterbury, contained 38.25 per cent.

5123, Canary Brand, sold by C. L. Montgomery and Co., Memphis, Tenn., guaranteed 38.5 per cent. protein, and sent by The Coles Co., Middletown, contained 37.31 per cent.

**5124**, *Pilgrim Brand*, sold by Southern Cotton Oil Co., Memphis, Tenn., guaranteed 38.5 per cent. protein, and sent by The Coles Co., Middletown, contained 38.13 per cent.

**5232,** *Pioneer Brand*, sold by J. E. Soper Co., Boston, guaranteed 41 per cent. protein, and sent by T. F. Connor, Poquonock, contained 52.46 per cent.

4684, sold by J. E. Soper Co., Boston, guaranteed 41 per cent. protein, and sent by Wheeler and Co., Bridgeport, contained 41.38 per cent. 5234, sold by Alpine, McLean Co., Boston, guaranteed 38.5 per cent. protein, and sent by The Coles Co., Middletown contained 40.19 per cent.

Wheat Products. **3660**, *H. Middlings*, Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling Co., New York, guaranteed 17.36 per cent. protein, and sent by O. G. Beard, Shelton, contained 17.13 per cent. The sample contained 8010 weed seeds to the pound, the chief of which which were mustard (3762), hare's ear mustard (1332) and green foxtail (1134). Knot weed, pigweed, catchfly and Russian thistle seeds were also present at the rate of from 200 to 600 per pound. The six varities of seeds present in largest quantity showed a germination power of from 11.4 to 100 per cent.

3594, Middlings, sent by M. Strochansky, East Haven, contained considerable stinking smut.

CORN PRODUCTS. **3592**, Gluten Feed, sent by M. Strochansky, East Haven, contained 26.38 per cent. protein. **3593**, Corn Meal, sent by the same person, contained 9.69 per cent protein; **4152**, Gluten Feed, sent by Thomas Holt, Southington, contained 24.69 per cent protein. None of these three samples showed any abnormality.

DRIED BEET PULP, **3603**, sent by W. A. Hyde, Kensington, contained 8.63 per cent. protein.

Dried Brewers' Grains, **4685**, sent by Mrs. C. E. Herold, New Canaan, contained 28.44 per cent protein.

PROVENDER, **3762**, sent by R S. Wells, Hazardville, with the complaint that it made his horses sick; no impurity, other than a trace of mold, was found in the sample.

STOCK FEEDS. **3677**, *Unicorn Dairy Feed*, sent by S. R. Scoville, West Cornwall, contained 28.25 per cent. protein.

**3833**, *Purina Dairy Feed*, guaranteed 19 per cent. protein, and sent by A. Greenbacker, Meriden, contained 19.50 per cent.

**3877,** Xtra-Vim Molasses Feed, guaranteed 4.61 per cent. protein, and sent by R. H. Ensign, Simsbury, contained 4.38 per cent. protein.

4061, Feed, said to consist of corn hulls and a little meal, sent by M. D. Lincoln, Norwich, contained 5.63 per cent. protein.

Poultry Feeds. **4555**, Poultry Mash, sent by D. W. Meeker, West Cheshire, contained 19.69 per cent. protein. **3878**, Dry Poultry Mash, sent by R. H. Ensign, Simsbury, contained 15.63 per cent. protein. **5233**, feed for mixing in mash for hens, sent by Mrs. W. E. Waller, Bridgeport, contained 12.69 per cent. protein.

Alfalfa Stock Food Co., Wichita, Kan., guaranteed 14 per cent.

protein, and sent by A. Greenbacker, Meriden, contained 14.88 per cent. **3629**, *Shredded Alfalfa*, sold by Hartford Hay and Grain Co., Hartford, and sent by T. A. Stanley, New Britain, contained

Ash. 9.74 Protein 14.31	Nitrogen-free extract. 36.66 Fat
Cocoa Shells. 4721 sent by	A. A. Cobb, Guilford, contained
Water       8.97         Ash       6.93         Protein       15.00	Fiber

Condimental Stock Feeds. **5192**, Savage's Three Feeds for a Cent, sent by F. S. Smith, Beacon Falls, consisted largely of mineral matter and charcoal. It contained 66.70 per cent. ash, showing much chlorine, considerable lime, phosphates and sulphates, and distinct amounts of magnesia, carbonates and sand. **5193**, Anglo-American Horse and Cattle Food, sent by Judd Bros., New Milford, consisted largely of wheat with probably some buckwheat. It contained 10.84 per cent. ash, in which much phosphate was present, and considerable chlorides and magnesia, with some sulphates and alumina, and a trace of lime.

Bakery Refuse. 5248, sent by C. M. Jarvis, Berlin, contained

Water	4.99	Fiber	0.27
Ash	7.23	Nitrogen-free extract	69.26
Protein	10.06	Fat	

Ensilage Corn, Soy Bean Fodder and Soy Beans. Below will be found the analyses of nineteen samples of various varieties of ensilage corn grown at the Station farm at Mt. Carmel and at Granby, which are published here merely as a matter of record. Also the analyses of twenty samples of soy bean fodder and nineteen samples of soy beans.

#### SOY BEANS.

No. Variety.	Water	Ash.	Protein.	Fiber.	Nitrogen- free Extract.	Fat.
Ito San	11.44 12.43 14.60 17.09 14.02 13.94 25.62 12.49 13.54 16.01 40.69 15.78 25.54 19.12	4.50 5.18 5.49 5.26 4.31 7.42 5.20 4.61 4.84 4.53 4.37 4.67 3.71 5.37	37.83 37.70 37.63 39.37 34.68 37.76 38.85 38.85 31.16 39.54 37.05 33.83 32.70 525.80 35.32 731.98 435.19	3.64 3.52 3.58 4.15 3.49 4.85 3.99 4.54 5.23 5.41 3.66 4.49 3.50 4.99	25.65 24.27 25.43 24.21 25.44 23.28 22.52 23.82 23.86 24.04 24.94 27.63 517.33 526.60 23.98 020.54	14.88 16.80 14.92 15.87 14.07 13.68 13.46 10.77 15.40 15.23 12.85 13.41 8.59 13.27 10.75 11.75

#### SOY BEAN FODDER.

No.	Variety.	Water	Ash.	Protein.	Fiber.	Nitrogen- free Extract.	Fat.
4621 4619 4620 4625 4622 4624 4623 4661 4659 4658 4657 4656 4656 4657 4677	Ito San Ito San Quebec Quebec Kentucky Medium Yellow Manhattan Ebony Arlington Hollybrook Wilson Wilson Wing's Mikado Okute Cloud Medium Green Morse Swan Wing's Mongol Peking Plot 37.	70. 34 78. 31 72. 51 71. 93 73. 88 70. 40 69. 81 68. 12 71. 91 61. 88 76. 83 75. 96 64. 96 64. 96 65. 45	2.50 2.61 2.36 2.82 3.15 1.91 1.98 3.26 3.29 2.61 2.61 2.61 3.06	3.73 7.06 2.74 4.48 4.86 6.85 4.95 4.36 3.31 5.22	7.78 4.96 7.03 7.05 6.49 7.56 8.36 11.41 8.58 11.96 7.27 7.25 12.30 11.98 7.11.98	11.04 11.84 10.40 11.94 11.88 12.93 12.23 14.16	

#### ENSILAGE CORN.

No.	Variety.	,	Water	Ash.	Protein.	Fiber.	Nitrogen- free Extract.	Fat.
4047 4648 4676 4633 4650 4651 4649 4674 4675 5673 4627 4628 4630 4631 4626 4632	GROWN AT MT. CARMEL. Brewer's Dent x King Philip. Brewer's Dent. Howe's Dibble's Dent. Dibble's Dent. Rustless White Dent. Gelston's Selected, 12 in.  " " 6 in. Funk's 90 Day. Early Mastodon. Eureka 6 in.  " 12 in.  " 12 in.  " GROWN AT GRANBY. Gelston's Selected. Dibble's Dent. Brewer's Dent x King Philip. Brewer's Dent. Eureka. Funk's Silver King Funk's 90 Day.		70.32 70.91 60.96 78.11 75.22 74.46 75.76 76.25 75.93 76.84 77.98 77.46 78.44 79.30 87.87	1.48 1.64 1.32 1.44 1.13 1.41 1.22 1.23 1.32 1.30 1.32 1.19 1.10 0.99 1.06 0.97 0.95	2.06 2.20 2.30 2.94 1.80 1.64 1.77 2.11 1.63 1.81 1.95 1.30 1.64 1.32 1.27 1.24 0.93 1.41	6.43 5.98 7.15 4.86 6.03 5.48 5.55 6.74 6.10 5.11 5.50 5.15 4.55 5.05	21.73 18.67 18.59 26.30 13.57 15.09 16.18 14.27 14.66 14.51 13.48 14.02 13.77 13.64 12.83 8.02 10.26 13.65	0.999 0.74 0.900 1.21 0.53 0.61 0.40 0.63 0.31 0.31 0.40 0.50 0.45 0.37

#### PART V.

# NINETEENTH REPORT ON FOOD PRODUCTS AND SEVENTH REPORT ON DRUG PRODUCTS, 1914.

By John Phillips Street.\*

Of the 392 samples collector by the station agent 52 were adulterated, misbranded or below standard, exclusive of the 130 samples of proprietary medicines, of which possibly 20 might be passed as possessing some merit. The Dairy and Food Commissioner submitted to this laboratory 1251 samples, chiefly eggs, milk, vinegar, temperance drinks and drug tinctures. Of these 460 were adulterated, misbranded or below standard, and 30 were legally labeled compounds. Besides the above, 275 samples have been examined for city and health officials and other individuals. In all 1918 samples were analyzed of which 624 were adulterated, misbranded or below standard (exclusive of the proprietary medicines).

#### I. FOOD PRODUCTS.

#### BISCUITS AND CRACKERS.

Eighty-eight samples of biscuits and crackers were examined not with the expectation of finding adulteration, but rather to secure data to enable us to answer the frequent requests as to the composition of certain brands of biscuits, and also to determine whether or not the manufacturers were complying with the net weight law. Many of these biscuits are more strictly confections than foods, and this must kept in mind in connection with their high cost. From the food standpoint many of them the consumer would not be justified in purchasing; on the other hand, judged as confections, their daintiness, tastiness, general attractiveness and cleanliness might justify such high prices as from 60 cents to \$1.50 per pound. Furthermore, it is only just to say that in many

<sup>\*</sup> The analytical work herein reported was done by E. M. Bailey, C. B. Morison, C. E. Shepard and G. L. Davis.

#### TABLE I:-BISCUITS.

	1 ABLE 1	.—bı	SCUITS,
	as attillada anos un manasa umus	No. o	f Pieces
Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Claimed.	Found.
3537 4399 4401 4398 4402	Huntley and Palmer, Reading, Eng.  Acorn Biscuit. Breakfast Biscuit Carmencita, Assorted. Cinderella Biscuits. Philippine Biscuit Reading Shortbread. Sugar Wafers, Lemon Flavored.		42 15 42 24 47 22 36
4419	Johnson Educator Food Co., Boston, Mass.  Barley Educator Crackers  Educator Original Water Cracker.  The Suffragette	52 72 43	52 84 42
4415	Loose-Wiles Biscuit Co., Boston, Mass.  Chocolate London Biscuits. Hydrox Chocolate Biscuits. Sunshine Brandywine  "Butter Thin. "Champagne Wafers. "Clover Leaves. "Dessert Wafers. "Matinee Biscuit. "O. So. Fine Lunch Biscuit. "Perfetto Sugar Wafers, Lemon. "Priedettes. "Saltines. "Tan-San. "Veroniques. "Vienna Sugar Fingers. "Zephyrettes. Takhoma Biscuit. Tom Thumb Biscuits.	46 16 20 44 28 32 43 36 25 36 60 30 44 10  22 117	44 16 20 56 30 32 39 44 23 36 60 60 46 10 51 41 84 24 117
4397	Meyer and Lange (Dist.), New York City.  Peterson's Eatsum Swedish Style Milk Wafer	١	12

## CRACKERS, ETC.

Net W	Veight.	Cos	it.	alories s.			6.25).			4;
Claimed.	Found.	Per Package.	Per Pound.	Calculated Calories per 100 gms.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (N x 6.25)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract.	Ether Extract.
oz.	oz.	cts.	cts.							
 14 4  4 6	5.0 4.4 5.2 6.3 5.0 7.7 4.4	38 10 40 35 38 28 35	122 36 123 89 122 28 127	592 403 529 474 536 497 377	4.29 8.37 3.60 6.95 3.79 5.37 6.22	I.22 I.4I 0.56 0.52 I.53 0.60 0.66	8.75 9.13 2.31 6.44 9.94 4.50 8.38	0.54 0.16 0.13 0.18 0.65 0.11	41.99 72.40 64.09 64.99 52.08 65.21 83.61	43.21 8.53 29.31 20.92 32.01 24.21 1.03
8 12 7	12.3 17.2 7.5	25 25 10	33 23 21	403 362 413	8.48 7.99 8.05	4.86 0.75 1.40	9.13 10.50 9.00	0.48 0.38 0.15	65.39 79.87 71.08	11.66 0.51 10.32
7 1/2/4/4/2/5/4/4/2/4/4/2/4/4/2/6/1/4/2/6/1/4/2/6/4/7	8.2 8.0 6.0 7.4 4.1 4.1 9.0 7.2 5.7 9.0 5.7 2.6 6.3 7.3 10.7 5.2 8.8	25 30 25 10 15 15 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	49 60 67 22 59 59 44 23 16 56 70 27 70 62 63 55 34 15	423 460 497 427 486 493 410 415 422 499 519 354 418 419 405 403	6.62 5.45 2.24 7.33 3.20 3.24 7.59 8.61 3.18 3.76 9.46 8.74 3.31 2.96 6.51 9.09 8.07 8.14	I.33 I.00 0.69 I.76 0.64 0.58 I.05 I.27 I.31 0.58 0.53 5.05 2.72 0.91 0.58 I.45 I.70 I.19	7.25 5.63 3.69 9.00 4.50 4.00 6.25 7.25 9.00 4.38 2.63 10.00 8.94 4.19 3.75 6.81 9.38 10.06 6.00	0.53 0.43 0.28 0.14 0.10 0.05 0.16 0.16 0.20 0.17 0.21 0.19 0.09 0.12 0.14 0.16	67.49 75.08 67.20 70.48	9.27
21/4	2.6	25	154	365	7.72	1 75	12 69	0.14	77.08	0.62

## TABLE I:—BISCUITS,

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		No. o	of Pieces.
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Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	d.	
atio		Claimed	pun
St		Cla	Found.
4424 4444 4434 4436 4426 4426 4428 4431 4463 4454 4463 4454 4463 4454 4454 4444 444	National Biscuit Co., New York City.  Albert Biscuit. Arrowroot Biscuit. Baronet Biscuit. Bent's Home Made Water Crackers (Milton, Mass.) Champagne Wafers. Chocolate Tokens. Dinner Biscuit. Festino Almonds Five O'Clock Tea Biscuit (Vanilla and Chocolate). Lemon Snaps. Merrimac Biscuit. Minaret Wafers. Nabisco, Vanilla Flavor. Oreo Biscuit. Oswego Biscuit. Oswego Biscuit. Oysterettes. Pretzelettes, Hand Made. Saltine Biscuit. Saratoga Chips. Saratoga Flakes, Salted. Social Tea Biscuit. Uneeda Biscuit. Uneeda Biscuit. Uneeda Biscuit. Uneeda Lunch Biscuit. Vanilla Wafers.	75 32 44 18 30 16 120 55 34 27 25 40 29 18 60 140 35 44 130 100 37 36 22 25	81 34 46 20 30 16 153 55 36 28 27 40 28 18 67 152 40 46 135 108 40 36 27 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40
4432	Water Thin Biscuit	30 87	34
4435	Zephyrette	104	106
	The Quaker Oats Co., Chicago, Ill.		
3540	Quaker Breakfast Biscuit		12
	Graham Crackers.		
4392 4395 3542	Battle Creek San. Co.'s Sweetened Graham Crackers.  Johnson's Educator Graham Crackers.  " Sweet Graham Crackers.  Sunshine Graham Crackers (LW. Bisc. Co.)  Nat. Bisc. Co.'s Graham Crackers.  " " Wafers.	50 28 32 30 45	33 64 32 30 28 43

CRACKERS, ETC.

Net W	eight.	Co	st.	alorie 18.			6.25		o ·	.ct.
Claimed.	Found.	Per Package.	Per Pound.	Calculated Calories per 100 gms.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (N x 6.25)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract.	Ether Extract.
oz.	oz.	cts.	cts.							
15 61/4 61/2 15 56 6 4 11 41/4 25/8 81/4 11 12 61/4 41/2 51/2 13 11 12	16.3 6.6 7.1 17.5 4.6 6.1 7.9 4.2 12.8 4.5 3.0 8.1 12.3 5.5 8.4 6.5 11.7 14.3 6.4 9.7 5.0 6.5 14.0 13.5	25 10 30 25 25 15 25 10 10 10 25 25 25 10 25 25 10 25 25 10 25 25 25 10 25 25 25 25 10 25 25 25 25 25 10 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25	25 24 23 27 87 66 30 95 24 19 13 36 53 49 33 15 25 16 16 25 29 30	445 424 429 369 478 555 406 504 422 408 397 427 498 463 422 394 401 426 419 403 399 425 438 397 429	4.67 6.28 7.51 8.07 3.56 1.71 8.10 5.51 6.72 7.65 8.30 3.26 4.90 5.41 8.93 8.21 7.36 6.74 9.19 8.93 8.26 7.59 5.78 7.51	1.09 1.13 1.51 0.53 0.83 1.03 1.99 1.04 1.53 1.42 1.81 2.31 0.56 1.18 1.08 2.75 3.45 5.53 1.63 4.13 2.05 1.27 1.83 2.05 1.20 1.44 1.55 1.27 1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20 1.20	7.25 7.69 8.31 10.44 5.38 4.63 11.25 7.50 7.69 6.25 10.19 6.44 4.38 5.69 7.53 10.56 8.88 9.00 8.63 7.75 9.31 10.13 8.96 6.25 9.96 8.88	0.13 0.15 0.13 0.15 0.21 0.63 0.17 0.41 0.08 0.37 0.11 0.19 0.20 0.16 0.11 0.13 0.14 0.16 0.07 0.11	69.90	13.77 10.75 13.18 0.91 19.20 33.67 9.51 26.39 11.22 9.02 7.62 12.10 22.75 17.84 9.55 8.24 2.11 12.47 13.11 10.19 9.51 8.77 12.61 14.75 5.37 13.25
12	12.8	10	13	350	9.74	2.86	17.13	0.40	69.43	0.4
14 10 8 3 81/2	15.0 13.8 9.8 3.2 9.0 9.9		16 22 41 25 18 40	401 410 394 409 415 422	7.00 6.55 8.54 8.40 6.61 5.36	2.88 2.95 2.36 2.03	8.50 8.25 8.31	0.4	69.00 69.60 69.60 8 72.4	7 10.0 9.1 0 10.6 6 10.2

TABLE I:—BISCUITS,

	, I ABLE	1:-B	ISCUITS
		No. o	of Pieces.
Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.	Claimed.	Found.
	Oatmeal Crackers.		
3539	Battle Creek San. Co.'s Oatmeal Wafers. Johnson's Educator Oatmeal Crackers. Sunshine Oatmeals (LW. Bisc. Co.) Nat. Bisc. Co.'s Oatmeal Crackers.	28	28 44 31 29
	Ginger Wafers.		
4452	Nat. Bisc. Co.'s Famous Ginger Wafers.  "Ginger Snaps. ""Uneeda Jinjer Wayfer.	55 27 38 32 43 27	.60 31 40 35 44 .27
	Cheese Wafers.		
4404 4414 4453 4443 4448 4425	Nat. Bisc. Co.'s Al Fresco Cheese Wafers	 100 26 60 38 325	168 104 31 62 41
	Whole Wheat Preparations.		
4304	Crystal Wheat. Battle Creek San. Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Whole Wheat Cream Sticks. Battle Creek San. Co., Battle		
4458	Creek, Mich	• • •	127
4393	City Wheat Meal Biscuit. Huntley & Palmer, Reading, Eng Educator Toasterettes. Johnson Educator Food Co., Bos-	::	35 15
4394	ton, Mass Educator Wafers. Johnson Educator Food Co., Boston.	40	43
4381	Mass Granose Biscuit. Kellogg Food Co., Battle Creek, Mich Sunshine Whole Wheat Wafers. Loose-Wiles Bisc. Co., Bos-	40	4I II
	ton, Mass	112	140

CRACKERS,	ETC.
CRACKERS,	1310.

Net We	eight.	Cos	st.	alories 18.		betar I	ς 6.25)		9	act.
Claimed.	Found.	Per Package.	Per Pound.	Calculated Calories per 100 gms.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (N x 6.25)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract.	Ether Extract.
oz.	oz.	cts.	cts.	1						
11 10 9 9	13.1 14.8 9.2 9.1	15 25 15 10	18 27 26 18	418 414 412 408	7.46 7.14 7.79 7.84	I.74 I.88 I.90 I.67	7.94 9.63 8.63 8.50		71.35 70.71 70.99 72.33	11.24 10.26 10.42 9.47
13 4 14 8 7 <sup>3</sup> ⁄ <sub>4</sub> 4	13.9 4.8 14.7 8.8 8.4 4.4	25 5  10 10 5	22 17  18 19 18	442 405 432 410 410 404	4.22 7.77 4.09 7.29 7.87 7.55	2.60 2.82 2.33 2.10 2.28 2.64	6.00 6.25 6.19 5.56 5.94 6.75	0.19 0.20 0.11 0.17 0.14 0.22	73.05 73.43 75.61 75.34 73.54 73.70	13.94 9.53 11.67 9.54 10.23 9.14
6 6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 6 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 4 4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 4	7.8 8.0 6.0 4.3 5.0 4.5	35 15 10 10 10	72 30 27 37 32 36	491 406 406 400 418 403	6.67 8.78 8.39 8.22 8.59 8.41	3.37 2.68 2.38 4.80 3.13 5.12	13.56 13.38 13.44 16.50 14.06 16.13	0.10 0.19 0.19 0.14 0.14	64.40 63.99 59.87 61.03	10.57 10.71 10.47 13.05
20	23.7	15	10	357	9.53	1.85	11.25	1.73	73.6	9 1.95
14	16.0	15	15	400	9.09	1.92	9.19	0.30	70.4	0 9.10
7	7·3 8·5	10	22 34	404 431	6.28 7.40					5 8.72 0 14.64
4	4.0	10	40	398	7.38	1.6	5 10.00	5 0.3	8 73.3	5 7.18
3 6	4.2	10		363 340	8.96					
91/2			100	419	5.2	7 2.3	3 9.2	5 0.4	2 72.5	54 10.1

ages, thus permitting a considerable saving in cost, with a possible loss as to freshness and cleanliness.

The samples were of such a miscellaneous character as not to permit a very detailed classification. The graham, oatmeal, ginger, cheese and whole wheat biscuits are grouped separately; the others are classified simply according to their manufacturer.

One brand of Sunshine biscuits and four of Huntley and Palmer's bore no statement of net weight as required by law. The claims for the other samples both as to count and weight were met very satisfactorily, in general the amount found being considerably in excess of that claimed.

The miscellaneous biscuits require no special comment other than to call attention to their very wide range in composition and cost. The maxima and minima of the important constituents and the upper and lower limits of price per pound are shown in the following tabulation:

#### Miscellaneous Biscuits.

Protein .				Max.	Min.
Ash .				17.13	2.31
				5.53	0.52
Nitrogen—free e Ether extract	extra	ct		83.61	41.99
Cost per pound				43.21	0.44
Calories per 100				\$1.54	\$0.13
Carones per 100	gms	•	•	592	350

It is impossible to generalize with such diverse preparations. The high percentages of fat are chiefly due to the addition of chocolate, nut pastes, or butter; the high ash figures are generally due to common salt; the variations in nitrogen-free extract depend upon whether or not the biscuits are sweetened. It is interesting to note that the two brands selling at the highest prices per pound are among the lowest in calorific value.

#### Graham Crackers

Graham crackers, to be entitled to the name, should be made from graham flour, "unbolted wheat meal." Graham flour is characterized by a higher ash and fiber content than ordinary wheat flour. With the exception of the two *Johnson* samples the fiber is low and in the *Battle Creek* samples the ash is likewise low. Fibers as low as from 0.28 to 0.73 per cent. do not suggest

cases the biscuits may be bought in bulk as well as in small packthe use of any considerable quantity of unbolted wheat meal. In cost they ranged from 18 to 40 cents per pound.

#### Oatmeal Crackers.

The four samples were fairly uniform in composition and appeared to be true to name. They cost from 18 to 27 cents per pound.

#### Ginger Wafers.

The six samples were quite uniform except in the amount of ether extract which ranged from 9.14 to 13.94 per cent. They require no special comment.

#### Cheese Wafers.

The samples varied considerably in composition, especially in ether extract, No. 4404 containing twice as much as any of the other samples. These variations are due chiefly to the amount and quality of cheese used. They cost from 27 to 72 cents per pound.

#### Whole Wheat Preparations.

"Entire wheat" flour is a name for flour produced in a special manner, and contains all the ingredients of the wheat grain except those found in the outer branny covering. It would naturally, therefore, contain somewhat less fiber and ash than graham flour. By reference to Table I it will be seen that the whole wheat biscuits in general contained more protein and fiber and less ash than the graham crackers. Certainly all cannot be straight whole wheat preparations, with the ash ranging from 0.82 to 3.94 per cent., and the fiber from 0.30 to 1.83 per cent. Likewise the fat shows a range from 0.59 to 14.64 per cent.

#### BRAN BISCUITS AND LAXATIVE PREPARATIONS.

Twelve of these preparations were analyzed. With two exceptions their alleged laxative qualities would seem to depend on the wheat bran, which is more or less directly claimed to have been incorporated in the biscuit. Colax claims to be cellulose prepared from Ceylon moss, while Mansfield Agar Agar Wafers claim agar agar to be present.

TABLE II:-BRAN BISCUIT AND

To.	The state of the s	No. of Piece	
Station No	Manufacturer and Brand.	Claimed.	Found.
3509 3571 3570 4386 4396 4473 3564 3565 3563 3566	Christian's Laxative Bread. Christian's Natural Food Corp., N. Y. City. Dietetic Bran Biscuit. The Dietetic Food Co., Baltimore, Md. Bran Biskue. The Health Food Co., N. Y. City. Use Charles of Co., N. Y. City. Oval Digestive Biscuit. Huntley & Palmer, Reading, Eng. Educator Bran Cookies. Johnson Educator Food Co., Boston Educator Bran Meal. Johnson Educator Food Co., Boston. Educator Bran Meal. Johnson Educator Food Co., Boston. Creek, Mich. Good Health Breakfast Food. Kellogg Food Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Good Health Biscuit. Kellogg Food Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Laxative Biscuit. Kellogg Food Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Mansfield Agar Agar Wafers. Mansfield Laboratories, Mansfield, Mass.	30	29 30 33 29 17 36  14 8 21

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Agar agar, Ceylon moss and similar preparations contain galactan; this was determined in all the samples by the official mucic acid method (U. S. Dept. Agr., Bur. of Chem., Bull. 107, p. 55). Patten and Hart have shown that a considerable part of the phosphoric acid of wheat bran exists in organic form as phytin. The amount of phytin phosphoric acid present would measure, therefore, in some degree the proportion of wheat bran present. This was determined by Patten and Hart's method (New York Agr. Expt. Stat., Tech. Bull. 22, 1912).

Wheat bran itself contains about 0.40 per cent. of galactan. A figure much in excess of this would suggest the use of some other galacten-yielding material, such as agar agar, Ceylon moss or the various seaweed preparations. No such addition is indicated with certainty in any of the samples, except in Colax, which claimed Ceylon moss, a claim which we find to be correct. On the other hand the Mansfield Agar Agar Wafers, which claim agar agar, shown only 0.13 per cent. galactan, indicating that no large amount, certainly not over one per cent., of agar is present. Some of the other brands may contain small amounts of agar, but no large quantity is present.

The other ten brands all show some phytin phosphoric acid,

LAXATIVE PREPARATIONS.

Net V	Net Weight. Cost		ost.	lories s.			6.25).			٠, ا		ohoric
Claimed.	Found.	Per Package.	Per Pound.	Calculated Calories per 100 gms.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (N x	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract.	Ether Extract.	Galactan.	Phytin Phosphoric Acid.
oz. 10½	oz. 13.2 12.2	cts. 25 25	cts. 30 33	351 361	9.93 9.28		10.00	I.33 I.68	74·58 69.20	1.38 4.95	0.24 0.12	o.36 o.78
 8 8 	15.7 13.5 8.1 10.3 41.9 18.1	15 15 15 25 20 15	15 18 30 39 8 13	410 374 437 425 340 358	8.50 9.70 8.80 7.12 11.78 10.13	†5.28 2.07 3.27 2.88	8.88	1.40 0.45 1.50 3.84	61.05 65.77 64.61 64.75 66.49 65.37	7.85 16.32 14.48 2.76	0.22 0.24 0.09 0.09 0.54 0.68	0.57 0.65 0.31 0.41 1.15 0.73
6 5	7.1 2.8 5.8 6.1	15  100 23	34  276 60	340 395  416	10.90 9.35 13.08 7.93	2.95	16.69	2.43	74·57 57·78 82.80 69.86	0.78	0.34 13.18	0.00

\*Contains 1.21 phosphoric acid, 0.58 sulphuric anhydride, 0.11 magnesium oxide. †Contains 0.96 phosphoric acid, 0.17 sulphuric anhydride, 0.14 magnesium oxide. ‡Contains 0.52 phosphoric acid, no sulphuric anhydride, 0.14 magnesium oxide.

except Kellogg's Good Health Biscuit. The amounts range from 0.31 to 1.15 per cent. Apparently bran is present in nine of the preparations in varying quantities.

In the three samples showing the highest percentages of ash, tests were made for mineral drugs. While two of them contained both sulphuric anhydride and magnesium oxide, the percentages were small, and it does not appear that any mineral laxative, such as Epsom salts, was present in an important amount. It would appear that in five cases at least, Oval Digestive Biscuit, Educator Bran Cookies, Bran Biskue, Kellogg's Laxative Biscuit and Mansfield Agar Agar Wafers, the laxative properties may depend to some extent on the oil or fat present. The ether extract in these ranges from 10.8 to 16.42 per cent., but no attempt was made to identify its source.

Kellogg's Brose Good Health Breakfast Food claims that "it contains 50 per cent. more bone-and nerve-building 'salts' and cellulose than any other food," a claim that is not sustained by the analysis. Likewise Kellogg's Good Health Biscuit claims to contain "more blood and bone making elements than any other food,"

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a claim similarly untrue. Strange to say this latter brand is the only one of the ten tested which showed no phytin phosphoric acid.

Christian's Laxative Bread, Bran Biskue, Health Food Wafers, Educator Bran Meal, Kellogg's Laxative Biscuit (a sample package) and Colax bore no statement of net weight as required by law. The brands which did state net weight satisfied their claims in every case.

The cost of these preparations is extremely variable, ranging from 8 cents to \$2.76 per pound. It would seem that Ceylon moss might be bought in some cheaper form than *Colax*.

#### CONDENSED SOUPS.

1933. Knorr's Consomme. Price 30 cents per box of 12 cubes, weighing 1.83 oz.

1939. Liebig Company's OXO Bouillon Cubes, Corneille David and Co., New York, Agts. Price 25 cents per box of 10 cubes, weighing 1.48 oz.

The samples showed the following analysis:

	1933	1939
Water	4.32	4.75
Ether extract	5.43	3.58
Ash	66.51	67.46
Sodium chloride		62.70
Nitrogen	3.18	3.28

These samples are very much alike in composition. They are essentially concentrated meat or yeast extracts, with considerable fat and nitrogenous matter (mostly meat bases) and very much common salt. At the price charged per box one pound of the cubes would cost \$2.61 and \$2.70, respectively. As the six-tenths of a pound of salt contained in a pound of the cubes is worth about one cent, it is evident that, although the cubes may offer many conveniences in their use, they are a very expensive form of food. The *OXO* booklet represents each cube to constitute a meal. Each cube of this brand contains 0.15 gm. of fat, 0.14 gm. of nitrogen and 2.64 gms. of common salt, certainly an extremely light meal.

#### DIABETIC FOODS.

This Station is endeavoring to keep its analyses of "diabetic" foods up-to-date, and in line with this policy is glad to analyze authentic samples of new brands. Seventy-two samples of this class, including both new brands and brands which have been on the market for a number of years, have been analyzed during the past year. The samples of the Health Food Co., the Pure Gluten Food Co. and Loeb's Diabetic Food Bakery were sent by the manufacturers in original packages; the other samples were bought in the open market. These new analyses in connection with those published last year (Conn. Agr. Expt. Stat., Rept. 1913, pts. I and IV) give a very complete record of the special diabetic foods sold in this country. The present European war will doubtless interfere with the importation of many of these foods, especially those made in France and Germany. While this interference will remove, at least temporarily, some excellent brands from our markets it will, on the other hand, encourage the use of the American foods, and should stimulate American manufacturers to improve their products still further.

In using the tables which follow, as well as those published in the report for 1913, certain points should be kept constantly in mind. The percentages in the protein column are uniformly calculated from the nitrogen found, using the conventional factor 6.25. It is well known by us that with pure wheat products the factor 5.7 gives more accurate results, and strictly speaking the latter factor should be used for gluten flours and other gluten products. In baked products where the protein may be derived from other sources than wheat, such as soy beans, cotton seed, nuts, etc., it is impracticable to vary the factor with each particular food without causing endless confusion. Similarly it has seemed to us best to retain for the flours the old factor for the sake of uniformity. In the high-grade ground glutens, containing as much as 13.7 per cent. of nitrogen, the use of the proper factor would reduce the protein by about 7.5 per cent. and the nitrogenfree extract would be increased in the same proportion. The values given for starch, however, are absolute, being direct determinations and having no connection with the protein factor used.

The user of diabetic foods should also remember that such foods may serve two distinct purposes, first as an aid in determining the diabetic's tolerance for carbohydrates, and second, when such a

tolerance is determined as a source of supply of food containing reduced amounts of carbohydrates and suited to the individual patient's use. Diabetic foods of the first class should be as near carbohydrate-free as possible; foods of the second class may contain considerable amounts of carbohydrates and still be useful for the diabetic. It is apparent, however, that it is the province of the physician not of the patient to determine this tolerance, and furthermore it is evident from our analyses that the mere calling a product a "diabetic food" by no means establishes its right to such a name or its usefulness to the diabetic. In our judgment a food to have any just claim to the name "diabetic" should not contain more than half the carbohydrates usually found in a normal food of the same class. Foods containing 60 or 70 per cent. of carbohydrates are no more "diabetic" foods than potatoes, rice or oat meal, and are no more entitled to that name.

The samples examined this year illustrate these classes very clearly. For instance we have No. 1 Proto Puffs and No. 2 Proto Puffs with 9.23 and 20.70 per cent. of starch respectively, the former being intended for use in a strict diet, the latter in a diet where a greater starch tolerance is indicated. In the same way No. 1 Dainty Fluffs with 10.74 per cent. starch is intended for the strict diet, while No. 2 Dainty Fluffs with 21.85 per cent. is suitable where more starch is permissible.

Of the brands examined by us this year for the first time, Heudebert's Pain d'Aleurone, Heudebert's Pain de Gluten, Health Food Gluten Flour No. 1, Loeb's Diabetic Almond Macaroons, Diabetic Lady Fingers and Diabetic Sponge Cookies, and Hoyt's Gum Gluten Special Flour are notable for their low carbohydrate content.

Health Food Pure Washed Gluten, Battle Creek Sanitarium Co.'s 80 per cent. Gluten Meal and Hoyt's Gum Gluten Special Flour are all very high-grade products from the standpoint of high protein and low carbohydrates. Glutosac Gluten Four, Protosac Gluten Flour, Hoyt's Gum Gluten Flour 50 per cent. and Hoyt's Gum Gluten Flour Ground are gluten flours well above the government standard, containing from 38 to 50 per cent. of protein and from 31.5 to 42.5 per cent. of starch.

Of the *Health Food Co's* products the following showed an improvement over our previous analyses as regards increased protein and decreased carbohydrates *Diabetic Biscuit*, *Glutosac* 

Butter Wafers, Glutosac Rusks, Glutosac Wafers Plain, Glutosac Zwieback and Manana. On the other hand Protosoy Diabetic Wafers and Salvia Almond Sticks showed a less satisfactory analysis than when last examined. The latter claim to be "practically free from starch," although we find 28 per cent. We are advised by the company that this claim will no longer be made. Of the Pure Gluten Food Co.'s products the Gum Gluten Biscuit Crisps showed an improvement, while Gum Gluten Granules and No. I Dainty Fluffs contained less protein and more starch than before.

During the last eighteen months we have analyzed three samples of Loeb's Gluten Luft Bread. This product has shown a constant improvement with each analysis, the protein increasing from 27.9 to 52.4 per cent. and the starch decreasing from 44.1 to 22.9 per cent.

Seven of the *Goldscheider* brands made a definite claim as to the amount of carbohydrates present, and, as is usually the case, the actual amounts found far exceeded those claimed, as will be noted in the following tabulation:

	Carboh	ydrates
	Claimed.	Found.
Cocosnuss-Biskuits	3.6	13.86
Vanille-Biskuits	3.6	16.75
Hönigküchen	3.6	13.91
Dessert-Schokolade	9.98	25.42
Mocca-Schokolade	10.26	23.49
Nuss-Schokolade	11.32	23.30
Orange-Schokolade	9.98	24.91

All of the above samples, however, are low in starch, the first three containing none at all, the last four from 4 to 7 per cent. On the other hand *Goldscheider's Butter-Brezeln* and *Zwieback* with 67.57 and 65.30 per cent. of carbohydrates have nothing to recommend than as special "diabetic" foods.

The *Dieto* Foods have been examined by us this year for the first time. The following quotation from their booklet "Correct Diet in Diabetes" shows the general claim made for these products.

"The vitality and health-giving properties of wheat and barley in their entirety rank high in the cereal world. Diabetics and persons of weak digestion need a food composed of either one or both of these grains, chiefly wheat; we therefore make it our principle to manufacture "Dieto" foods with wheat and barley for the basis. The basis of "Dieto" Flour is wheat. It is in its entirety, just as Nature gave it to man. It undergoes a process of treatment in

which the elements of the wheat are subjected to a fermentation. By this process a structural change is effected in the molecules. This change is slight, and is noticeable only under the microscope; the starch cells in this starch-changed wheat are swollen and burst—starch cells in their natural state are unbroken, not swollen and burst. It is a preliminary change that is effected, and assists the digestive organs in performing their functions. Food treated under the "Dieto" system is not predigested, for if it were, the course of Nature would be arrested and there would be no work for the digestive organs."

A microscopical examination of the *Dieto Flour* showed only an occasional "burst" starch grain; the starch was mostly unaltered and apparently would be just as objectionable to the diabetic as the starch of ordinary wheat flour which had not been subjected to the mysteries of the "Dieto" system. The flour contained over 62 per cent. of unaltered starch.

Aside from the *Dieto Pine Nuts*, a natural product containing no starch, these products from the diabetic' standpoint have nothing to commend them. The *Pine Nuts* are claimed to be treated by the "Dieto" system, but as there is no starch in these nuts for the system to act upon, the reason for the alleged treatment is not apparent.

Dieto Barley Coffee is not entitled to the name "coffee" as it is "made of the choicest raw barley combined with a small percentage of chicory." Dieto Bread contains about two-thirds as much starch as ordinary wheat bread. Dieto Cocoa is "specially prepared for diabetics," although barley is added, and the carbohydrates are no less than in ordinary cocoa. Dieto Crackers are recommended "for those restricted to a rigid diet" and are claimed to "supply (sic) the craving for those foods diabetics are not permitted to eat," and yet they contain nearly 55 per cent. of starch, more than ordinary bread. Dieto Rusks, although "made of Dieto Flour, which is scientifically prepared for diabetics," likewise contains over 52 per cent. of starch. Dieto Wheat and Barley Cereal contains over 61 per cent. of starch, and Dieto Macaroni, which is similar to ordinary macaroni, contains nearly 58 per cent.

In the company's booklet "Correct Diet in Diabetes" we read "Diet is of primary importance, inasmuch as it has been proved beyond question that certain kinds of foods have a powerful influence in aggravating the disease, more particularly those consisting largely of saccharin and starchy matter."

The company in these words offers the strongest possible condemnation of its own products for the purpose for which they are recommended.

Phospho D. and D. Special claims to be "a palatable, non-sugaring glutinous wheat flour for diabetics." It contains 58.57 per cent. of starch, with 72.92 per cent. of total carbohydrates, and is totally unsuited for use as a "diabetic" food.

For analyses of diabetic foods, see pages 244 and 246.

#### WHEAT BRAN

Five samples were examined, and these show the usual variations to be expected in this product. All the samples were clean and well suited for human food. In recent years wheat bran has found considerable use as a means of preventing constipation. The fiber and the organic phosphorus are the chief ingredients which give bran this property. In the samples analyzed it is seen that the ash ranges from 4.48 to 6.09 and the fiber from 5.56 to 8.54. Other things being equal it would seem that the samples showing the highest percentages of these ingredients would be the most effective in preventing constipation.

On the other hand the question of cost is worthy of consideration. The samples sold at the rate of from 6.5 to 20.5 cents per pound, or from \$130 to \$410 per ton. When it is considered that wheat bran as a cattle feed sells for from \$25 to \$28 per ton retail, it is evident how profitable is the practice of cleaning the crude bran for human use. The last two brands in the table are very much alike in composition, yet one costs more than twice as much as the other.

TABLE III:-WHEAT BRAN.

			Net ight.	_ C	ost.			(Nx6.25)		free	ct.
Station No.	Brand.	Claimed	Found.	Per package.	Per pound.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (Nx	Fiber.	Nitrogen—fi extract.	Ether Extract.
4461 3567 3550	Ballard's	13 24 20	43.7 12.8 24.7 25.2	10	9.2 12.5 6.5		5.58 4.30 6.09	14.25	8.19 6.33 7.81	56.28 56.68 54.43	4.13

#### TABLE IV:

	TABLE IV:
Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.
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5169 5168 5175 5171 5166 5174 5167 5173 5165 5172	The Dieto Food Co., New York City.  Dieto Baking Powder.  "Barley Coffee. "Bread, Pure Whole Wheat. "Cocoa. "Crackers. "Flour, Pure Whole Wheat. "Nut Cereal. "Pine Nuts. "Rusks. "Wheat and Barley Cereal. "Whole Wheat Brand Macaroni.
	Fromm & Co., Dresden.
3502 3503	Conglutin Drops. Conglutin-Zwieback.
3500 3499 3506 3507 3505 3498	Karl Goldscheider, Karlsbad. Aleuronat-Conglutin Cakes. Butter-Brezeln. Feinste Cocosnuss-Biskuits für Diabetiker. Feinste Vanille-Biskuits für Diabetiker. Hönigküchen für Diabetiker. Saccharin-Oblaten ohne Zucker.  Teo Cabback.
3501 3493 3497 3494 3495 3496	Tee-Gebäck. Zwieback. Feinste Dessert-Schokolade für Diabetiker. "9.98% carbohydrates." Feinste Mocca-Schokolade für Diabetiker. "10.26% carbohydrates." Feinste Nuss-Schokolade für Diabetiker. "11.32% carbohydrates." Feinste Orange-Schokolade für Diabetiker. "9.98% carbohydrates."
	The Health Food Co., New York City.
5365 5376 5372 5361 5373 5358	Almond Meal. Alpha Best Diabetic Wafer. Diabetic Biscuit. Gluten Flour No. 1. Gluten Nuggets. Glutosac Bread.
3370 3362 3367 3369	Butter Wafers  Gluten Flour  Rusks  Wafers, Plain  Zwieback
366 356 357 359 363	Manana Gluten Breakfast Food. No. 1 Proto Puffs. No. 2 Proto Puffs. Protosac Bread. "Gluten Flour.

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No. of Pieces.	Net Weight of Package.	Cost per Package.	Cost per Pound.	Water.	Ash.	Protein (N x 6.25.)	Fiber.	Nitrogen-free Extract.	Fat (Ether Extract.)	Starch.	Weight supplying same amt. of carbohydrates as 10 gms. wheat bread.	Calculated Calories per 100 gms.
42  47	0Z.  8.I 14.0 15.I 7.3 10.4 79.0 14.3 7.9 12.7 36.3 13.4	35 30 12 30 30 60 30 40 60 30 30	70 34 13 66 46 12 34 81 76 13 36	40.42 4.29 6.59 7.85 5.00 2.23 6.43 6.77	1.69 5.40 1.75 1.15 1.95 4.55 1.50	13.19 9.67 23.56 13.38 14.75 21.63 39.69 15.94 11.63 13.88	0.71 4.87 0.98 1.01 1.22 0.75 0.98 2.00	63.87 47.15 ¶38.95 68.06 73.13 51.82 2.76 66.04 75.77 73.70	7.30 0.36 22.93 9.24 2.11 18.38 50.02 9.11 2.15 1.14	12.94 17.72 36.57 12.38 54.84 62.44 39.54 0.00 52.09 61.42 58.72	8 11 14 8 7 10 193 8 7	374 231 456 409 371 459 620 410 359 361
				5.17 5.16 2.71 3.14 2.98 5.42 3.44 6.85 2.17 2.20	1.25 1.83 2.73 2.85 3.05 2.43 1.28 7.1.86 0.2.25 7.2.65	50.81 14.25 26.63 10.50 34.44 46.38 40.31 16.50 7.00 21.31 11.38 10.19 514.63	0.40 0.08 0.08 0.55 1.00 1.95 0.23 1.68 1.68 1.70	16.75 13.91 51.10	14.86 ‡45.38 ‡30.33 ‡38.75 22.60 27.26 3.61 57.55 60.22 54.35	29.19 29.70 31.67 43.93 None None 33.47 18.00 51.69 4.98 4.11 6.86 4.98	8 21 23 23	358 479 452 446  474 517 379 665 677 641 664
2, 1, 10, 2,	3 3.6 9.6  11.9 1 10.4 4 8.8 32.3 4 3.9 6 6.0 2 6.2	25 35 15 36 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	42 60 47 23 55 18 62 40 50 40 50 40 50 40 50 40 50 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40 40	7.65 5.86 7.65 5.32 37.20 5.44 8.11 6.66 7.22 5.99 7.57 9.11	1 5.00 2.55 2.78 2.78 2.78 2.78 2.16 4.2.16 4.2.5 4.2.5 6.2.56 6.2.56 6.2.56 6.2.56 6.2.50 6.20	8 49 . 13 8 67 . 06 5 35 . 92 5 31 . 66 5 31 . 66 5 31 . 10 5 31 . 11 5 31 . 12 6 33 . 33 5 42 . 66 6 36 . 33 3 42 . 66 6 72 . 22 6 58 . 7 7 1 29 . 8 6 45 . 9	0.16 0.35 0.21 0.27 0.27 0.82 0.82 0.48 0.48 0.85 0.48 0.85 0.48	46.53 12.79 45.67 31.08 47.01 50.48 46.96 44.26 46.64 43.50 13.02 27.00 35.19	8 8.41 8 8.83 9 0.88 14.30 12.10 13.94 1.69 1.74 1.74 1.71 1.99 2.82 2.82 2.82	32.46 29.87 9.23 20.70 27.66	45 11 41 12 17 11 10 11 10 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 11 12 12	457 391 409 362 438 252 438 369 376 363 401 363 366 362 276 370

TABLE IV.

	TABLE IV:
Station No.	Manufacturer and Brand.
5368 5375 5364 5360 5374	Protosac Rusks Protosoy Diabetic Wafers " Soy Flour. Pure Washed Gluten. Salvia Almond Sticks.
4379 4377 4378	Ch. Heudebert, Paris.  *Pain d'Aleurone pour Diabétiques. "5% carbohydrates.".  *Pain "Essentiel" en Biscottes.  *Pain de Gluten pour Diabétiques.
5249	J. Heinbockel & Co., Baltimore, Md. Diabeto Bread for Diabetes
5389 5387 5388 5390 5385 5386 5391 5392	Loeb's Diabetic Food Bakery, New York City. Chocolate Almond Bars. Diabetic Almond Macaroons.  "Bread Sticks.  "Chocolates.  "Lady Fingers.  "Sponge Cookies. Gluten Luft Bread. P. & L. Genuine Glubetic Bread.
4374 4375	Mansfield Laboratories, Mansfield, Mass. No Name (square)
5379 5397 5399 5398 5394 5393 5396 5395 5377 5378	The Pure Gluten Food Co., New York City.  Hoyt's Gum Gluten  " " Breakfast Food.  " " " Flour, 50%.  " " " Ground.  " " " Granules.  " " " Noodles.  " " " Self Raising Flour.  No. I Dainty Fluffs. No. 2 " "
5400	Battle Creek Sanitarium Co., Battle Creek, Mich. 80% Gluten Meal
5555	Phospho Food Co., Los Angeles, Cal. Phospho D. & D. Special

<sup>\*</sup> Sold by A. Beauvais & Co., New York City, and John Gilbert & Son, New Haven.

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† 3497 contains 10.95% as invert sugar, 3494, 10%, 3495, 7.25%, and 3496 11.15%. ‡ In part glyceral. § Possibly in part due to the copper-reducing power of the agar-agar present. ¶ Polarization at  $20^{\circ}$  C. direct  $+ 1.5^{\circ}$ , after inversion  $\pm 0.0^{\circ}$ . \*\* Polarization at  $20^{\circ}$  C. direct  $+ 2.1^{\circ}$ , after inversion  $\pm 0.0$ .

## II. DRUG PRODUCTS. BAY RUM

Bay Rum, prepared according to the National Formulary, should contain about 58 per cent. of ethyl alcohol. This amount was found in none of the forty-three samples examined although three of the Bridgeport samples and one from New Haven almost reached it. Eight samples claimed a definite percentage of alcohol; only one of these, No. **3443**, showed any marked deficiency, 48.64 per cent. being found compared with the claimed 58 per cent. The alcohol percentages ranged from zero to 57.88 per cent. These may be summarized as follows:—

Zero to 15	per	cent	3	42 to 50 per cent	20
30 to 40	66	66	1211	0 " "	
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The three samples bought at "5 and 10 Cent" stores contained none, 11.96 and 15.16 per cent. of alcohol. The useful ingredient in bay rum is the alcohol, and the purchaser paying 21 cents for a pint of weakly perfumed water is certainly defrauded. Of the samples purchased from druggists, No. 3442, bought in Bridgeport, showed the greatest deficiency in alcohol, containing only 32.32 per cent.

None of the samples contained wood alcohol.

Calculated to the same basis the samples cost from 21 cents to \$1.15 per pint. Four-ounce samples cost from 10 to 28 cents, eight-ounce samples from 10 to 35 cents.

#### BELLADONNA PLASTERS.

(Emplastrum Belladonnæ.)

The U.S. Pharmacopoeia requires that belladonna plasters made with a rubber base should yield not less than 0.38 per cent. nor more than 0.42 per cent. of mydriatic alkaloids.

Seven samples were analyzed, ranging from 0.32 to 0.44 per cent; three of these were somewhat below the minimum U. S. P. standard. (See page 251 for analyses.)

#### BLACKBERRY BRANDY AND CORDIAL.

For many years blackberry brandy has been sold under false representations. Blackberry juice has obtained a reputation for certain medicinal qualities, and the public has come to believe that "color, aroma and so-called body are criteria of purity, hence

TABLE V:-BAY RUM.

			Cd	st.		
Station No.	Brand, or Place of Sampling.	Volume of Sample.	Sample.	Pint of Material.	Specific Gravity @ 15.5°C.	Alcohol by Volume.
225	American Druggists Syndicate, Long	oz.	cts.	cts.		%
	Island City, N. Y	4.2	20	76	.93265	50.64
446	Island City N. Y.	4.4	25	90	.93386	49.88
433	Hendricksen & Co., St. Thomas, W. I.	7.7	10	21	.99990	0.
435	Moorac, Holman, Chicago	4.6	10	35	. 98495	11.96
206	Jaynes Drug Co., Boston	8.2	25	50	.93896	47.62
434	Joubet et Cie	3.7	10	43	.98171	15.16
447	H. Michelsen, St. Thomas, W. 1	4.0 5.7	25 35	98	.93456	50.52
224	Park & Tilford, New York	7. I	35	79	.93677	48.56
445		4.2	15	57	.91963	57.88
441	Bridgeport	3.9	20	84	.91789	57.20
440	"	5.8	25	70	.92072	55.88
437 438	«	4. I	25	98	.92900	52.32
436	"	8.8	35	64	.93325	50.04
444	"	6.7	25	60	.93557	49.12
443	"	4. I	20	78	.93661	48.64
439	"	6.3	25	63	.93699	48.36
442	" 。	7.8	25	51	.96289	32.32
461	Hartford	4. I	25	98	.92727	53.92
474		7.5	25	53	.93119	51.32
459	« «	4. I	20	78	.93200	50.72
471	"	3.9	15	62	.93324	50.48
472	<u>"</u>	3.9	15	62	.93535	50.04
469	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	4.2	17	65	.93454	49.76
473	<u>"</u>	3.9	20	82	.94016	46.64
462	u	4.2	15	57	.94385	44.64
470	"	3.8	15	63	.94376	44.00
475	"	3.4	25	53	.94690	41.80
415	New Haven	3.9	15	62	.92022	56.52
428	u u	4.2	15	57	.92789	52.48
429	u u	6.6	25	60	.93109	51.72
417	« «	4.0	15	60	.93095	51.12
412	« «	4.3	20	74	.93421	50.32
1226	" " "	4.0	20	80	.93402	50.00
419	" " "	6.1	25	65	.93579	48.96
204	" " "	4.0	15	60	.93565	48.88
3410	« « · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3.8	20	84	.93940	47.92
3424	ш "ш	3.8	15	63	.93860	47.72
3413	u u	4.0	20	80	.93993	47.40
414	u u	3.9	25	103	.94106	46.12
3416	« « ··································	4.0	15	60	.94334	44.56
		3.9	20	115	. 94433	43.46

Claimed 48% alcohol. Claimed 47% alcohol. Claimed 100° proof. Claimed 12% alcohol. Claimed 51% alcohol. Claimed 58% alcohol.