

PENNSYLVANIA SOILS.

Government Experts Declare Centre County Soil Deficient in Lime and Organic Matter.

The report of the reconnaissance soil survey of south central Pennsylvania, recently made by the bureau of soils, in conjunction with the Pennsylvania State College, has been issued by the secretary of agriculture. The area surveyed includes Clearfield, Cambria, Somerset, Bedford, Blair, Centre, Huntingdon, Fulton, Franklin, Adams, Cumberland, Perry, Mifflin, Juniata, Union and Snyder counties, and comprises 10,908 square miles.

The report contains seventy-seven printed pages treating every phase of the agricultural side of the counties, such as drainage, transportation, climate and soils.

Valuable suggestions for the improvement of the various soils of the county are made and a map showing in detail the location of everything of consequence in the area relating to agriculture and the eighteen different types of soils mapped during the survey, is annexed. The report says, in part:

"The soils vary greatly in fertility, those of the Hagerstown and Berks series being the most productive. All are subject to severe erosion and nearly all are deficient in organic matter and lime. Several are well adapted to the production of fruit of various kinds. When well handled most of the soils will give good results with general farm crops. Dairying can be made very profitable in some sections. Stock-raising is the most profitable industry in the more remote sections, while gardening and trucking could be carried on profitably near the larger cities. There is ample room for improvement in all lines of farm work, tillage, fertilization and management."

Farmers' Week.

The seventh annual Farmers' Week, at Pennsylvania State College, begins the day after Christmas and closes Thursday noon, January 2nd. There are fifty-three speakers on the list who will speak on one hundred and fifty farm topics. Every farmer in Centre county should attend this institution; it is absolutely free.

The Old Fellows Lodge in Millheim will give a banquet to its members and their families on Friday evening after Christmas. The supper will be served in the Old Fellows hall, and turkey will be on the menu card.

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THE MAN WHO WRECKED IT.

T. R. Wrecked the G. O. P. in June of 1908 by Foreing Taft's Nomination.

Mr. Roosevelt, who has genius for being wrong, was again quite in error at Chicago a few days ago when he ascribed the wreck of the Republican party to the men who "in the Republican Convention of June last by deliberate political theft wrenched the control of the party from the people, made it the party of reaction and gave it into the absolute control of the bosses."

The Republican party was not wrecked in June, 1912. It was wrecked in June, 1908. Theodore Roosevelt is the man who wrecked it.

The Republicans in 1908 did not want to nominate Mr. Taft for President, but Mr. Roosevelt, by the power of the Federal machine, forced the nomination. Had the National Convention been left to itself it would have named Gov. Hughes or somebody like him; the country would have had a Republican President instead of a Proxy President, and the Republican party would still be united, under progressive leadership.

What took place at Chicago in June, 1912, was the logical consequence of what took place at Chicago in June, 1908. The party has been wrecked by Mr. Roosevelt's policy of personal government, and he is still urging the country to adopt the same kind of government that smashed the Republican party.

Free Lecture on Tuberculosis.

Dr. William S. Miller, of the state board of health, will give a free illustrated lecture on tuberculosis in Grange Arcadia, Friday evening, 20th inst. This lecture should be attended by every one who can possibly do so. Nothing should be guarded with better care than one's health. How to avoid the ravishes of tubercular germs is a question that can be taught to a large extent, if we are willing to observe the simple rules of health laid down by such men as Dr. Miller. By all means attend the lecture on Friday night.

A Des Moines man had an attack of muscular rheumatism in his shoulder. A friend advised him to go to Hot Springs. That meant an expense of \$150.00 or more. He sought for a quicker and cheaper way to cure it and found it in Chamberlain's Liniment. Three days after the first application of this liniment he was well. For sale by all dealers. adv.

The gunning season for all small game closed Saturday. Bears may be legally hunted until January 1st.

How Humming Birds Bathe.

Not being acquainted with the bathing habits of humming birds, I put out an ablution shell as the most artistic bathing dish for her, but never to my knowledge did she pay the least attention to it. One morning in the midst of a shower, however, she crouched down on the wet blade of a dogwood leaf and with head outstretched and rapidly fluttering wings splattered the rain-drops in every direction. She went from leaf to leaf until she had succeeded in getting her feathers very wet; then she perched on a twig, shook off the drops and carefully preened her feathers. It is not improbable that in the absence of rain humming birds use the dewdrops in early morning. In closer captivity this bird bathed in a gladiolus blossom. Hereafter a pitcher plant is to be used. A humming bird which was accustomed to drinking sweetened water from a spoon one day found water in the spoon instead of sweets, whereupon she at once alighted on the edge and took a bath.—Katherine E. Dolbear in Atlantic Monthly.

Claude Duval.

This gallant robber of men's purses and ladies' hearts was of French extraction. Duval became so rich with his ill gotten gains that he was enabled to retire from the profession and return to France. But a quiet life, free from the excitement of his old career, did not agree with his adventurous spirit. He returned again to England and resumed his avocation. At length he was captured at the Hole in the Wall, in Chandos street. While in prison awaiting his doom many ladies of position visited him and endeavored to obtain his release, but justice was inexorable, and he was hanged at Tyburn in January, 1870. His epitaph in St. Paul's church, Covent Garden, speaks of him as "Old Tyburn's glory, England's illustrious thief," and tells us:

Here lies Duval. Reader, if male thou art, Look to thy purse; if female, to thy heart. Much havoc has he made of both.

—St. James' Gazette.

Still Lively.

Uncle Erastus had an affection for his old wife which neither time nor the wear and tear of her disposition had destroyed. He seemed to glory in what other people called "Aunt M'lindy Jane's cantankerousness."

"How's M'lindy Jane getting on, Erastus?" one of his neighbors asked, after hearing lively sounds from the Johnsons' dwelling up the lane.

"I's been feared dis winter's rheumatiz would carry her off," said Uncle Erastus, "but she suah is improvin' dis last warm spell o' weather."

"Dis maw'nin' she stood up, restin' herself on one crutch, an' made passes at my laigs wid de odder crutch, an' she done make out to hit me mo'n once! I's feelin' right encouraged!"—Youth's Companion.

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