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## THE VALUE OF GREEN RYE. The Necessity of Organic Matter in the Soil and How to Obtain It.

But should not this rye and clover and peas be fed to cattle and the manure put on the land rather than plow them under green? By no means! till your land can spare them. Always feed the hungrier creature first. If the land is more in need of fertility than the cattle of forage, feed the land first and continue to feed it until it gains sufficient strength to produce a forage crop for the cattle, then market your forage and feed through live stock.

But is green rye worth anything as manure before feeding it to stock? I am going to let you answer the question for yourself. Below you will find a table showing the manurial value of green rye as compared with that of fresh cow and horse manure. Examine this table carefully because there is a great deal in it.

	Nitro'g'n	Phos.	Potash
Green rye	10.6	5	14.2
Cow Manure	7.6	1.6	7.3
Horse Manure	8.7	1.9	7.3

The above table represents an average of a large number of analyses of both rye and the manures. The analysis of the manures in the above table refers only to the solid excrement and does not have reference to the liquid manure which on ninety farms out of a hundred goes to a waste. You may be surprised to note that a ton of green rye is worth more as a fertilizer than a ton of fresh horse or cow manure. You may consider it from every point view. The rye has nearly a third more nitrogen per ton, nearly three times as much phosphate, and twice as much potash, as either of these manures. You can, therefore, see the importance of the use of green rye as a manure for any crop you wish to grow.

We recommend the use of rye preceding a corn crop in case the growth of rye is rather large. The rye crop is hard to handle as a green manure preceding the cotton crop unless the rye is sown early in the fall and allowed to make a good growth during the fall and early winter and plowed under a month before the cotton is to be planted. Treated in this way, there should be no trouble in the use of rye as a green manure preceding cotton. It will be only necessary to roll the rye and disc it two or three times thus cutting it to small bits, plow it under, six or eight inches deep, and disc the land once or twice more in order to thoroughly incorporate it with the soil. After this the cotton land may be prepared in the usual way.

An acre of rye that will make one ton of cured rye hay will, if plowed under, add to the soil about 45 lbs. of valuable nitrogen; 20 lbs. of valuable phosphoric acid; and 56 lbs. of valuable potash. Now, do not get the idea that rye is a legume and collects nitrogen from the air because such is not the case, but the growing rye does build into its tissues large amounts of nitrogen already in the soil which would be lost by leeching during the fall, winter, and spring months and hence, rye is seen to be a real conservator of nitrogen. The phosphate and potash are not really added to the soil but the rye builds these elements also into its tissues and conserves them against loss by leeching in

the form of a nitrate.

To get this much nitrogen you will have to use about 6 tons of horse manure, or 7 tons of cow manure or one ton of 822 commercial fertilizer. In order to get this amount of phosphate you would have to use about 10 tons of horse or about 13 tons of cow manure. To get this amount of valuable potash you would have to use about 7½ tons of either horse or cow manure.

The chief advantage of stable manure over green manuring crops lies in its being decomposed and ready for use and in the large number of bacteria it carries into the soil with it. This advantage is only temporary, however, because as soon as the green manuring crops break down, they are found quite as advantageous to plant growth as the stable or barnyard manure and when plowed in while green and succulent, the processes of decaying go on quite rapidly.

In our further discussion of this subject we will frequently have occasion to compare green manure with stable manure. This comparison will not be made with a view to discourage the use of stable manure which every one knows to be the standard of perfection in fertilizer but we will make comparison in order to bring out the value of green manure more prominently than it has been brought out heretofore.

Perhaps the greatest drawback to the use of any green manuring crop is the old idea that land may be "soured" thereby and rendered infertile for a number of years. Next week we hope to dispose of this erroneous theory by explaining what really happens when a large crop of vegetable matter is turned into the soil in the ordinary manner.

J. L. BURGESS,  
N. C. Department of Agriculture.

### George Hems.

Mr. S. P. Britte of Severn was a visitor in town Sunday.

Miss Mayme Lassiter returned home last week after spending some time in Halifax visiting relatives.

Mr. John H. Ward of Belvidere spent last Thursday night at Mr. C. T. Outland's.

Mrs. Fannie Lassiter spent from Friday until Monday near Murfreesboro the guest of her mother, Mrs. M. A. Johnson.

Misses Clara, Lucy and Sadie White of Belvidere visited at Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Peele's last week and attended Quarterly Meeting at Eagletown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Vaughan spent last Wednesday in Murfreesboro, the former visited his sister, the later her mother, Mrs. M. A. Johnson.

We are sorry to report little Margaret Parker on the sick list. Little Miss Ella Outland spent several days last week with her cousin, little Miss Gladys Futrell at Rich Square.

Several from here attended the funerals of Miss Ruth Elliott and Mr. Daniel Ballance, the former last Saturday at Eagletown church, the later on Sunday at Woodland M. E. church. We extend to the bereaved families our heartfelt sympathy.

### AFFECTATION.

Affectation has been said to ruin a face quicker than smallpox. Its effect on character is even worse. We always suffer for wishing to appear other than we are, whether it be richer or greater or more learned. The mask soon becomes an instrument of torture—Selected.

### SEABOARD LOCALS.

#### Death of Lewis Summerell—Paris With Cash In Norfolk—Church News—Personals.

Mrs. Jno. R. Stephenson and children of Wilmington are welcome guests this week in the homes of Messrs. J. T. Maddrey and H. L. Stephenson.

Miss Mary Foster, after a pleasant visit of a fortnight in the home of her cousin, Miss Maggie Vassor, of Pleasant Hill, returned to her home here this week.

Among those who took advantage of the Sunday excursion rates to Norfolk the past Sunday we note the following: Mrs. L. A. Carpenter and sons, Milliard and Lloyd, Messrs. B. S. Stancell, H. V. Wynns and Mason Taylor. All returned Sunday night except Messrs. Wynns and Taylor, they were detained on a very important mission, that of bringing to the bar of justice the "new found friend" who fleeced them of \$75.00 while they were in bathing. This money, as we understand it, was checked in the name of "the friend," who also carried the dressing room key. When they discovered he was not in the surf they went in search of him to find he had not only escaped with the bank roll but had rifled the pockets of Mr. Wynn and taken his watch along.

After a pleasant visit to her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Norvell, Miss Ethel Bradshaw left Friday for her home in Franklin, Va.

The usual 4th Sunday in August exodus to Spring church, Greenville Co., Va., was made by Seaboardians the past Sunday. Had a fire broken out here the old folks would have been forced to do the fighting, for the young people would have been conspicuous by their absence.

Mrs. John Vincent, after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Allen, and aunt, Mrs. John D. Pope, left last Saturday for her home in Portsmouth, Va.

A large, jolly crowd assembled last Friday night at Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Norvell's in honor of Miss Annie's 15th birthday anniversary. She was the recipient of many useful presents. Music and dainty refreshments were the features of the evening. Her friends hope for her many happy returns of this festive occasion.

Mrs. Josie (Stephenson) Bains of Suffolk, Va., with her two interesting children, are welcome guests in the homes of Messrs. C. P. Stephenson and W. T. Jones this week.

Mr. Ben Harris of Raleigh, paid his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Harris, a brief visit last week.

The series of meetings with Mt. Carmel Baptist church closed last Friday evening. Rev. Abbott of Deep Creek, Va., did all the preaching and did it well. As a visible result of the week's efforts eight were baptized into the fellowship of the church last Sunday morning.

Mr. J. T. Maddrey celebrated his 69th birthday in the usual manner the past week. An old fashioned barbecue, cooked in the open is a custom from which he has not departed in 40 years.

Mr. Charlie E. Stephenson of Savannah, Ga., has been on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Jim N. Stephenson, the past week. He left Saturday for his far-away Southern home, taking his mother with him. Charlie left here some 20 years ago. He talks enthusiastically of Georgia crops, says they are the finest he has

ever seen anywhere.

Miss Ruth Taylor of Greenville Co., Va., is visiting her cousin, Miss Florence Leake.

Mrs. Joseph H. Calley, after a pleasant visit of a week, to her friend, Mrs. M. R. Stephenson, left Tuesday for her home in Suffolk, Va.

Mr. R. D. B. Maddrey is building an addition to his house, when completed he will have one of the prettiest homes in town.

The many friends of Mr. Lewis Summerell were saddened last week when news reached here that he had died, of typhoid fever, at his home in Littleton. He had resided in this county all his life until last January. He was a very thrifty farmer and public spirited citizen. He was buried in the Episcopal cemetery at Jackson. He leaves a wife, stepdaughter and other relatives to whom we offer our sincere condolence.

After a pleasant week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. B. Maddrey, Mrs. Junius Darden left last Saturday morning for her home in Mapleton.

Our other typhoid patients are almost well, two of them are going about the house and taking solid nourishment. No new cases. The health of the town is so good the last news we had of our local physician, Dr. M. R. Stephenson, he was taking lessons in Irish crotchet.

Rev. E. N. Harrison filled his regular appointment at the Methodist church last Sunday evening. He announced that his meeting with this church would begin 2nd Sunday morning in Sept. and Rev. Holden of Enfield, would do the preaching.

Work on our State High School building is slowly but surely progressing. The brick masons have about completed their work. Painting is expected to begin this week. Contractor Stanford is just one of the busiest men you see these warm days.

A gentle rain fell here Sunday afternoon, also a light shower Monday, not enough however to break the back bone of the hot wave or help the parching crops. Unless more soon follows the results will be disastrous to both cotton and late corn. Cotton is rapidly opening, also shedding badly.

Miss Garnette Crocker is hostess this week of a house party composed of the following young ladies: Misses Lizzie and Ruth Perry and Mamie Coleman, Macon, N. C.; Berrice Clarke, Weldon, and Bertha Joyner, Jackson.

Mr. William Richard Kee, more familiarly known as "uncle Pete" died at his home near town last Saturday afternoon in his 74th year. He served throughout the entire 4 years of the civil war in Capt. A. J. Ellis' company. He belonged to Company A. John W. Morris battalion, 3rd light artillery and was 4th corporal in J. T. Maddrey's detachment. He was a member of Elim Baptist church. He was a valiant soldier, peaceful citizen and kind husband and father. He leaves several children and grand children to mourn their loss. To the bereaved we offer our sincerest sympathy.

We have been requested to announce that the Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors will meet in the Baptist church after Sunday School next Sunday morning. All members will please bring their quarterly dues.

The Ladies Aid Society of Seaboard Baptist church will give a lawn party next Friday night on the church grounds. The proceeds will go towards paying for a new church carpet.

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MR. CLARENCE POE.

On Friday of this week, September 1, Mr. Clarence Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, will address the citizens of the Roanoke-Chowan section at Olney High School, George, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Mr. Poe is one of the foremost citizens of the State and is doing a work for the upbuilding of the Southland, and of North Carolina in particular, that is second to none. His subject next Friday will be, "How to Build up North Carolina." His success along this line has qualified him to speak on this subject.

Mr. Poe went from the farm to the editorial rooms of the Progressive Farmer and his whole life has been devoted to working and pleading with farmers, but he is broad enough to see all things around him.

### JACKSON NEWS.

Miss Ethel Stephenson of Kelford is visiting her friend, Miss Daisy Parker.

Mr. J. W. Calvert of Norfolk spent last Sunday here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Calvert.

Mr. R. A. Weaver of Portsmouth is visiting relatives and friends here.

Miss Martha Buffaloe left Saturday for a few days stay with friends at Littleton and Pleasant Hill.

Mrs. J. A. Parker was called to Wake Forest Sunday to be at the bedside of her brother, R. H. Bishop, who is quite ill.

Mrs. J. A. Worell and Miss Blanche Bowers went to Littleton Friday to spend a few days with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bain of Winston-Salem is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Scull.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Parker and son Gilbert of Gumberry spent the past week here with their mother, Mrs. J. A. Parker.

Miss Elizabeth Boyce of Littleton is visiting in the home of her aunt, Mrs. E. J. Gay.

We are sorry to announce the death of Charlie, the eldest son of Mr. Toab Boone, who died Sunday night from the effects of a yellow chill.

### Thirty Years Together.

Thirty years of association—think of it. How the merit of a good thing stands out in that time—or the worthlessness of a good one. So there's no guess work in this evidence of Thos. Ariss, Concord, Mich., who writes: "I have used Dr. King's New Discovery for 30 years, and it's the best cough and cold cure I ever used." Once it finds entrance in a home you can't pry it out. Many families have used it forty years. It's the most infallible throat and lung medicine on earth. Unequaled for lagrippe, asthma, hay-fever, croup, quinsy or sore lungs. Price 50c \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Rich Square Drug Co. and T. H. Nicholson, Murfreesboro.