

Plowhandle Talks

CLOVER AT LAST PLOWING.

Correspondents Are Wanting to Know About Sowing This Valuable Crop in Cotton and Corn.

Messrs. Editors: (1) How many pounds of crimson clover seed should be sown to the acre in corn for best results?

(2) How would red clover suit sown in corn the last plowing, say as late as July 20th? Hope some one will answer in your next issue.

I enjoy reading The Progressive Farmer; think it should be read by every farmer in the State.

E. N. ELLIS.

Randolph Co., N. C.

Messrs. Editors: I have six acres of corn which I wish to sow to crimson clover, or clover and rye, if this would better, for a turn under crop next spring. Please advise me through the columns of The Progressive Farmer how much seed per acre, and what time to sow.

C. C. F.
Cleveland Co., N. C.

(Answer.)

Let us say first of all that this question of sowing clover in corn and cotton is a fine one to carry up to your Farmers' Institute. If you should happen to be near one, go and carry all the questions of this kind that you can think of.

As to quantity of crimson clover seed, sow fifteen pounds to the acre.

As to red clover and rye in corn, see article of Mr. H. T. Patterson on page 3 of last week's Progressive Farmer, which our correspondents had probably not seen when they wrote their letters.

As to the time of sowing, it should be remembered that crimson clover is easily put out of business by hot sun and dry weather. If the seasons are good, all right, but if not, then crimson clover, according to our Mr. Parker, is as great a flirt as a girl with dimples in her cheeks. You have to take your chances. Crimson clover may be sown at the last working of crops in July, or it may be sown in August or September, its preference being apparently for late sowing.

ROOT LICE ON COTTON.

Remedy Wanted for This Pest in Eastern Counties, and Also for Ticks on Horses.

Messrs. Editors: Will our Dr. Butler or some one tell me why my horse is infested with ticks and give me a remedy for same?

C.
Duplin Co., N. C.

Messrs. Editors: What are we farmers going to do to get clear of the root lice on cotton and corn. I would like for some one to tell me though The Progressive Farmer if lime will run the lice from the land. I have several beds of lice, perhaps an acre in a bed, and I have been thinking I would get some lime, say two bushels to the acre, this fall, and broadcast and break it in. I want to know whether it will pay or not, and what kind of lime to use, and where I can get it the cheapest.

W. H. OLIVER.

Johnston Co., N. C.

(Note.)

The members of The Progressive Farmer's staff to whom these ques-

tions are usually referred are now out of reach attending the Farmers' Institutes, in some of which we hope our correspondents will find the information they seek.

Commends Mr. Hobbs's Plan of Selecting Cottonseed.

Messrs. Editors: Allow me the privilege of complimenting your paper for its untiring efforts to promote to best interests of our State. It not only works to develop agriculture alone, but always stands for morality and intellectual advancement. Especially do I like Mr. S. H. Hobbs's plan of selecting cottonseed, which he has tried to impress upon the farmers from time to time, and again emphasized in a recent issue.

A. R. HINES.

Duplin Co., N. C.

Paper That Helps the Farmers.

Messrs. Editors: I consider the first copy of your valuable paper after my subscription, well worth the money I paid for the six months' subscription. If they would read and go by the advice given therein, the farmers would be in much better condition.

C. P. HOFFMAN.

Richland Co., S. C.

Doing Good During Vacation.

Messrs. Editors: Please send me your terms to agents getting up subscribers for The Progressive Farmer. I don't mean to be a regular agent, but as laying-by time is here, and I will be out among the people some, and as it seems that there are not as many of our people taking your paper as should, I thought I would try to get as many of them as I could to take The Progressive Farmer. I think it is one of the best farm papers I ever saw. It is not only a good farm paper, but it is educating and uplifting to the human character in every respect.

J. H. COLSON.

Anson Co., N. C.

The Right Ring.

Find enclosed \$1 for my renewal another year.

Diversified farming, stock raising, especially dairying; deep plowing and shallow cultivation, and last, but not least, agricultural education, are some of the things that I am especially glad to see you pushing. I forgot to add good roads. Let us have good roads and agricultural education in all the schools, and other things will come.

A. O. RING.

Franklin Co., Tenn.

Plant Potatoes and Corn.

Messrs. Editors: As peas are so scarce this year, let me urge the importance of planting lots of sweet potatoes for hogs. If slips are not plentiful enough, cut the vines later and plant in your oat patches. Save the corn for next year. Corn is \$1 per bushel now and will be higher next year at this time if you don't look out. There is not half enough planted in North Carolina to do for next year, so now is the time to look out.

H. F. FREEMAN.

Johnston County, N. C.

The printer, or editor, or somebody with cottonseed on his mind made Mr. Cotton Moore use the word one time too many in a recent issue. Of course the item should have read this way: "A handful of sorghum seed [not cottonseed] to every peck of peas will add to both quality and quantity of hay."

LET THE EAST TAKE ACTION ON TOBACCO.

Meetings to be Arranged in Hertford and Bertie to be Addressed by Messrs. S. C. Adams and J. O. W. Gravely With a View to Organizing at Once—Other Counties Urged to Fall in Line.

Messrs. Editors: It is indeed gratifying to know that The Progressive Farmer is doing all in its power for the organization of the farmers, and especially the tobacco growers. And now as you are doing your part, I think it is time we farmers do something for our own material good. You say there is action needed and not so much planning, so I have decided to take the former. If I act wrong I want your able staff to correct me.

Meetings Called for Bertie and Hertford.

I am going to arrange for and have the tobacco growers of Bertie and Hertford Counties meet at three or four convenient places for the purpose of organization. I have written Messrs. J. O. W. Gravely and S. C. Adams to address the growers. I feel sure that these two great men who have the farmers' interest at heart will be glad to visit us and urge organization. I believe all the growers of the weed want to know how they can better themselves, and if we can get them to hear Messrs. Gravely and Adams present to them their opportunities, no doubt they will take advantage of it and no longer allow themselves to be whirled in the storm-centre of oppression. They will awake to stay awake and sleep no more.

Let All the East Organize.

I do most heartily urge that all of the Eastern North Carolina tobacco-growing counties arrange at once to have the growers meet, and let us have a general rally for the cause. Let us all be doing something, for we have been waiting long enough. No doubt if the speakers above-mentioned come to Bertie and Hertford Counties they would be more than glad to visit several others of the adjoining counties. Now, then, just decide at once to write them to visit your county. That is what I have done, and if they cannot come, I am

going to get some one else if I can. If, however, I cannot, and the farmers want to hear a stump speech, I will do the best I can for them in that direction.

I will close by hoping soon to be a member of the Tobacco Growers' Protective Association.

S. B. ADAMS.

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