

kinds, which are non-nitrogenous, are largely increased by nitrogenous manures.

The direct supply of phosphate in an assimilable form largely increases the turnip crop, while the same supply to the wheat crop, which is especially phosphatic, scarcely increases the yield.

The best natural fertilizer is doubtless farm-yard manure, or good stable-dung. When this can not be procured, the artificial manures, such as guano-sulphate of ammonia, are valuable, especially on soils rich in the mineral constituents of plants, such as the Bermuda soils. The application of these nitrogenous manures would doubtless considerably increase the non-nitrogenous arrowroot crop, and probably the banana. I regret I have not an analysis of the ash of the banana to which I can refer.

These soils, were they in England, would doubtless produce large crops of wheat when manured with nitrogenous manures; and there is little doubt they would in a climate such as Bermuda.

Much interest would attach to experiments showing the power of these soils for the absorption and retention of ammonia and water. However, time precludes this at present.

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SOIL I.—RED EARTH.

Soluble in dilute acetic acid. (1 to 4.)	{	Hygroscopic water.....	16·231
		Organic substance.....	11·210
		Silicic acid.....	0·126
		Sesquioxide of iron.....	0·040
		Alumina.....	0·146
		Lime.....	3·144
		Carbonic acid.....	2·251
		Sulphuric acid.....	Trace
		Chlorine.....	"
		Magnesia.....	0·015
Soluble in strong hydrochloric acid.	{	Sand.....	40·001
		Alumina.....	13·604
		Sesquioxide of iron.....	12·310
		Lime.....	0·364
		Magnesia.....	0·464
		Potash.....	0·118
		Soda.....	0·006
Phosphoric acid (estimated in nitric acid solution).....	0·626		

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