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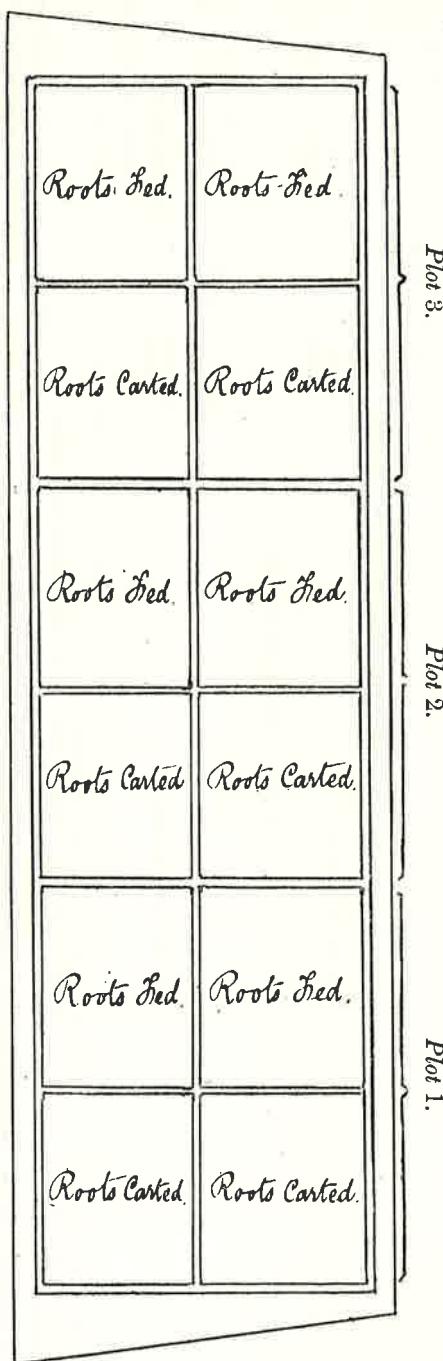
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PLAN OF THE PLOTS IN AGDELL FIELD,
ON WHICH EXPERIMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE
ON FOUR-COURSE ROTATION.

51 years, commencing 1848.

[For brief summary of results and conclusions, see opposite page.]



Total area of ploughed land about 3 acres.
Area of each of the 12 divisions $\frac{1}{2}$ acre.

The 4 lower divisions, Unmanured continuously (Plot 1).
The 4 middle divisions, Mineral Manure, for the Roots, each Course (Plot 2).
The 4 upper divisions, Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure, for the Roots, each Course (Plot 3).
The 6 left-hand divisions, Clover (or Beans), 3rd year each Course.
The 6 right-hand divisions, Fallow, 3rd year each Course.

The double lines indicate division paths between plot and plot.

[For details of the manuring and produce, see pp. 100-109.]

RESULTS OF EXPERIMENTS MADE IN AGDELL FIELD, ON THE ROTATION OF CROPS.

The experiments were commenced in 1848; so that 1898 is the 51st year of their continuance, and the third year of the 13th Course. In the experiments in other fields, some of the most important crops of rotation have been grown, each separately, for many years in succession—without manure, with farmyard manure, and with various artificial manures. But besides such experiments, others have been made on the growth of the crops in an actual course of rotation, without manure, and with different manures. The results with the individual crops throw much light on the characteristic requirements of each particular crop; whilst those on the growth of the crops in rotation serve to confirm and control those with the individual crops.

The rotation selected for investigation was the well known and typical four-course rotation of—1. Turnips; 2. Barley; 3. Leguminous Crops (or Fallow); 4. Wheat; that is, an alternation of Root-crops and of Leguminous Crops with cereals; which is the basis of most of the various rotations adopted in different parts of our own country, and also in many other countries. One portion of the land was left entirely without manure each course; another received mineral manure only, for the turnips of each course; and a third mixed mineral and nitrogenous manures, also only for the turnips of each course.

1. *The Swedish Turnips commencing each Course.*—When various root-crops were grown year after year on the same land without manure, they soon reverted to the uncultivated condition; and the experiments on rotation show that the Swedish turnips grown once in four years in unmanured rotation, came down to only about 1 ton per acre. The results further show, that mineral manures alone applied for the root-crops gave considerable increase, but that mineral and nitrogenous manures together gave more still. Without manure, the average produce of roots was less over the last 3 than over the preceding 8 courses; but with mineral manure alone (including potash in the last 3 courses) it was higher, and with mineral and nitrogenous manures together much higher, over the last 3 courses; the result being, however, largely due to more favourable seasons. Indeed, in 1888 and 1892, the years of root-crop in the 11th and 12th courses, although the produce without manure was less, than by each of the two descriptions of manure was considerably more than the average of the preceding courses; that is, both the reversion to the uncultivated condition without manure, and the increased growth with suitable manures, were very marked. In fact, without manure the produce of roots was as restricted in rotation as in continuous growth; with purely mineral manure it was greater in rotation than in continuous growth, the exhaustion of the available nitrogen of the soil being less under rotation; and with the mixed mineral and nitrogenous manure much more produce was obtained under rotation than with continuous growth. Lastly, the results conclusively show how artificial a product is the cultivated root-crop, and how dependent it is for its successful growth on an abundant supply of available food—nitrogenous as well as mineral—within the soil.

2. *The Barley Crops.*—Barley, without manure, succeeded the differently manured Swedish turnip crops of each course. Although the average produce of the root-crops was greater over the last 3 (10th, 11th, and 12th) than over the preceding 8 courses, the succeeding barley crops were much less over the last 3 courses. This was the case, not only where the root-crops had been carted off, but also where they had not been so removed. As, however, the produce of barley in the 3 years in question (1885, 1889, 1893) was also less than the average in Hoos Field where the crop is grown year after year, the result is doubtless mainly due to the seasons. Then, the average produce of barley over the 8 courses was actually less after the carted off roots grown by mineral manure (superphosphate) than after those grown without manure. The explanation is—that as there was practically no produce of roots without manure the unmanured plot was practically fallow for the barley; whilst with the mineral manure fair crops of roots were grown and removed, leaving the surface soil the more exhausted of its available nitrogen and other constituents. In the later years, however, after such long continued exhaustion, the unmanured plot has yielded less barley after the removal of the roots than the mineral manured plot. On the other hand, where the roots were not removed from the land, the mineral manured plot has generally yielded more barley than the unmanured. Further, under all conditions of treatment, the plots with mixed mineral and nitrogenous manure have yielded more barley than those with the mineral manure alone. In fact, the effects of the manurial and other treatment of the first crop of the course are clearly manifested in the produce of the second crop. Lastly, both without manure, and with the mineral manure alone, there was more produce of barley in rotation than in continuous growth, but with mixed mineral and nitrogenous manure there was more produce when the crop was grown continuously, the supply of nitrogen in that case being somewhat larger and annually applied for the crop.

3. *The Leguminous Crops (or Fallow).*—Under equal conditions as to manuring, the Leguminous crops, especially the clover, bring much more nitrogen into the course than either of the other crops. Further, the amount of nitrogen so brought into the rotation is much greater under the influence of mineral manures, and especially of potash manures, than without manure; whilst under the influence of the mixed mineral and nitrogenous manure the yield of nitrogen is greater still, the leguminous crop utilising the unexhausted nitrogenous manure- and crop-residue. For the successful growth of leguminous crops, however, a liberal supply of available mineral constituents within the soil, especially potash and lime, is essential. Judging from comparable cases, the amount of nitrogen accumulated by the Leguminous crops was much greater when they were grown in rotation, than is only occasionally, than when grown continuously. With fallow instead of a Leguminous crop, there is very much less nitrogen yielded in the rotation, and more liability to loss of it by drainage, and hence so much less brought into the circulation of the farm for food or manure. Lastly, most of the nitrogen of the leguminous crop is retained on the farm; and there is more or less, and sometimes much nitrogenous crop-residue left in the soil for succeeding crops.

4. *The Wheat Crops.*—There was very much more produce of wheat both without manure and with mineral manure, and considerably more with the mineral and nitrogenous manure, when it was grown in rotation than under comparable conditions continuously. Taking the quantities of produce by the mixed mineral and nitrogenous manure the result was that the two cereal crops produced approximately equal amounts of dry substance, and each considerably more than either of the assumed restorative crops—the roots or the leguminous crops. The supply of nitrogen within the soil available to the wheat crop is increased both by fallow and by the growth of a leguminous crop, especially of clover; and the accumulation is the greater when the soil and subsoil are not abnormally exhausted of organic nitrogen.

Upon the whole the results show that the benefits of rotation are very various. They depend on the varying requirements, habits of growth, and capabilities of gathering and assimilating the necessary constituents, of the different crops. The difference in the amounts available within the soil of the various mineral constituents, is one element in the explanation; but the facts relating to the amount, and to the sources, of the nitrogen of the different crops, are of still greater significance. The uses of the different crops have also to be taken into account. The cereals yield more produce for sale in the season of growth in rotation than when grown continuously. The crops alternated with them accumulate very much more of mineral constituents and of nitrogen in their produce; but by far the greater proportion of those constituents remains in circulation in the manure of the farm, whilst the remainder yields highly valuable products for sale in meat and milk. Again, with a variety of crops, the operations of the farm are better distributed over the year, and are therefore more economically performed. Lastly, the opportunities which alternate cropping afford for cleaning the land constitute a prominent element of advantage.

For details of the manuring and produce of the different plots, see pages 100–109.

AGDELL FIELD.

(Area under experiment, about 3 acres.)

EXPERIMENTS ON AN ACTUAL COURSE OF ROTATION—TURNIPS, BARLEY, LEGUMINOUS CROP (OR FALLOW), AND WHEAT.

These Experiments were commenced in 1848; so that the present season (1888) is the 51st, and the growing crop (Beans) is the third of the Thirteenth Course. One-third of the land has been continuously unmanured. One-third has, for the first Nine Courses, or 36 years, 1848–83, been manured with Superphosphate of Lime alone, once every four years, that is for the turnip-crop commencing each course; but for the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Courses, a complex mineral manure has been applied, as described in foot-note, No. 2. Lastly, one-third has been manured (also for the turnip-crop only), with a complex mineral and Nitrogenous manure, as described in the foot-note No. 3.

From half of each of the three differently manured plots the turnip-crops (roots and leaves) are removed; and on the other half they are either consumed on the land by sheep, or spread and ploughed in. In the case of all the other crops, the total produce is removed from the land.

TABLE I. (below), gives the results relating to the portions of each plot from which the turnip-crops were entirely removed; and on which clover or beans were grown.

Years.	Description of Crop.	Plot 1. Unmanured continuously.		Plot 2. Superphosphate of Lime alone ⁽¹⁾ , Courses 1–9, Complex Mineral Manure ⁽²⁾ , Courses 10–13, for the Turnip Crops only.		Plot 3. Complex Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure, ⁽³⁾ for the Turnip Crops only.	
		Corn (*) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Corn (*) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Corn (*) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).
1st Course, 1848–51.							
1848	Norfolk White Turnips.	65½ cwt.	45½ cwt.	111½ cwt.	22½ cwt.	106½ cwt.	218 cwt.
1849	Barley.	44½ bush.	29½ bush.	565½ lbs.	29½ bush.	2111 lbs.	287 bush.
1850	Clover (calc'd. as hay) ⁽⁴⁾ .	52½ bush.	34½ bush.	538½ lbs.	28 bush.	332 lbs.	151½ cwt.
1851	Wheat.	28½ bush.	34½ bush.	538½ lbs.	28 bush.	3371 lbs.	2088 lbs.
2nd Course, 1852–55.							
1852	Swedish Turnips.	26 cwt.	41 cwt.	223 cwt.	20½ cwt.	243 cwt.	369½ cwt.
1853	Barley.	34½ bush.	2430 lbs.	4464 lbs.	28½ bush.	3660 lbs.	3694 lbs.
1854	Beans.	5½ bush.	105 lbs.	1445 lbs.	5½ bush.	1534 lbs.	61½ cwt.
1855	Wheat.	35½ bush.	3619 lbs.	5859 lbs.	35½ bush.	5759 lbs.	5500 lbs.
3rd Course, 1856–59.							
1856	Swedish Turnips.	32 cwt.	2½ cwt.	30½ cwt.	136 cwt.	142½ cwt.	396½ cwt.
1857	Barley.	48½ bush.	2600 lbs.	5337 lbs.	28½ bush.	147½ lbs.	88½ bush.
1858	Beans.	6½ bush.	1100 lbs.	1515 lbs.	6½ bush.	1155 lbs.	9½ bush.
1859	Wheat.	35½ bush.	4030 lbs.	6262 lbs.	34½ bush.	3320 lbs.	37½ bush.
4th Course, 1860–63.							
1860	Swedish Turnips.	1 cwt.	25½ bush.	4718 lbs.	1 cwt.	29½ cwt.	323½ cwt.
1861	Barley.	38½ bush.	1840 lbs.	3661 lbs.	30½ bush.	3775 lbs.	48½ bush.
1862	Beans.	29 bush.	3468 lbs.	5621 lbs.	2150 lbs.	4040 lbs.	12½ cwt.
1863	Wheat.	34½ bush.	2143 lbs.	3473 lbs.	34½ bush.	3390 lbs.	5619 lbs.
5th Course, 1864–67.							
1864	Swedish Turnips.	84 cwt.	94 cwt.	1 cwt.	1 cwt.	87½ cwt.	34 cwt.
1865	Barley.	39 bush.	2154 lbs.	4182 lbs.	32½ bush.	1615 lbs.	72½ cwt.
1866	Beans.	10½ bush.	1013 lbs.	1689 lbs.	7½ bush.	978 lbs.	384 cwt.
1867	Wheat.	21 bush.	2143 lbs.	3473 lbs.	19½ bush.	1966 lbs.	3222 lbs.

6th Course, 1868-71.												
1868	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1869	Barley	24 <i>½</i> bush.	198 lbs.	24 <i>½</i> cwt.	3558 lbs.	28 <i>½</i> bush.	170 <i>½</i> cwt.	3686 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3309 lbs.	3800 lbs.	
1870	Beans	13 <i>½</i> bush.	758 lbs.	27 <i>½</i> cwt.	1591 lbs.	23 <i>½</i> bush.	768 lbs.	17 <i>½</i> bush.	24 <i>½</i> bush.	1056 lbs.	2664 lbs.	
1871	Wheat	20 <i>½</i> bush.	2799 lbs.	40 <i>½</i> bush.	4092 lbs.	23 <i>½</i> bush.	2848 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	24 <i>½</i> bush.	3440 lbs.	4942 lbs.	
7th Course, 1872-75.												
1872	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1873	Barley	24 <i>½</i> bush.	1343 lbs.	27 <i>½</i> cwt.	2717 lbs.	20 <i>½</i> bush.	1565 lbs.	2876 lbs.	30 <i>½</i> cwt.	3639 lbs.	3575 lbs.	
1874	Clover (calcd. as hay) ⁽⁷⁾	21 <i>½</i> bush.	2430 lbs.	37 <i>½</i> cwt.	28 <i>½</i> bush.	28 <i>½</i> bush.	3536 lbs.	5228 lbs.	31 <i>½</i> bush.	1723 lbs.	3573 lbs.	
1875	Wheat	10 <i>½</i> bush.	1324 lbs.	14 <i>½</i> bush.	1937 lbs.	14 <i>½</i> bush.	1771 lbs.	2129 lbs.	13 <i>½</i> bush.	4685 lbs.	70 <i>½</i> cwt.	
8th Course, 1876-79.												
1876	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1877	Barley	17 <i>½</i> bush.	1291 lbs.	29 <i>½</i> cwt.	2623 lbs.	24 <i>½</i> bush.	174 lbs.	2558 lbs.	356 <i>½</i> cwt.	55 <i>½</i> cwt.	411 <i>½</i> cwt.	
1878	Beans	8 <i>½</i> bush.	1490 lbs.	30 <i>½</i> cwt.	1301 lbs.	7 <i>½</i> bush.	1045 lbs.	1557 lbs.	34 <i>½</i> cwt.	1918 lbs.	3890 lbs.	
1879	Wheat	10 <i>½</i> bush.	1324 lbs.	14 <i>½</i> bush.	1937 lbs.	14 <i>½</i> bush.	1771 lbs.	2129 lbs.	13 <i>½</i> bush.	1655 lbs.	2963 lbs.	
9th Course, 1880-83.												
1880	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1881	Barley	14 <i>½</i> cwt.	1484 lbs.	24 <i>½</i> cwt.	2922 lbs.	21 <i>½</i> bush.	114 lbs.	261 lbs.	439 <i>½</i> cwt.	43 <i>½</i> cwt.	3557 lbs.	
1882	Clover (calcd. as hay) ⁽⁸⁾	29 <i>½</i> bush.	2250 lbs.	36 <i>½</i> cwt.	4115 lbs.	36 <i>½</i> bush.	3021 lbs.	5400 lbs.	45 <i>½</i> bush.	1853 lbs.	482 <i>½</i> cwt.	
1883	Wheat	10 <i>½</i> bush.	1859 lbs.	11 <i>½</i> cwt.	3483 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3298 lbs.	5994 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3223 lbs.	794 lbs.	
10th Course, 1884-87.												
1884	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1885	Barley	12 <i>½</i> bush.	1270 lbs.	3 <i>½</i> cwt.	1960 lbs.	19 <i>½</i> bush.	20 <i>½</i> cwt.	261 lbs.	43 <i>½</i> cwt.	63 <i>½</i> cwt.	350 cwt.	
1886	Clover (weighed as hay) ⁽⁸⁾	25 <i>½</i> bush.	1859 lbs.	11 <i>½</i> cwt.	3483 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3298 lbs.	5994 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	2611 lbs.	4426 lbs.	
1887	Wheat	10 <i>½</i> bush.	1859 lbs.	11 <i>½</i> cwt.	3483 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3298 lbs.	5994 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3223 lbs.	29 cwt.	
11th Course, 1888-91.												
1888	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1889	Barley	2 <i>½</i> bush.	931 lbs.	4 <i>½</i> cwt.	1510 lbs.	21 <i>½</i> bush.	1221 lbs.	2442 lbs.	45 <i>½</i> cwt.	6855 lbs.	518 <i>½</i> cwt.	
1890	Beans	1 <i>½</i> bush.	603 lbs.	1079 lbs.	24 <i>½</i> bush.	1764 lbs.	1339 lbs.	2441 lbs.	54 <i>½</i> cwt.	10102 lbs.	3134 lbs.	
1891	Wheat	2 <i>½</i> bush.	2588 lbs.	4371 lbs.	42 <i>½</i> bush.	3985 lbs.	6556 lbs.	5034 lbs.	44 <i>½</i> cwt.	2145 lbs.	69 <i>½</i> cwt.	
12th Course, 1892-95.												
1892	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1893	Barley	16 <i>½</i> bush.	1440 lbs.	0 <i>½</i> cwt.	2446 lbs.	15 <i>½</i> bush.	1339 lbs.	2395 lbs.	3 <i>½</i> cwt.	1063 lbs.	485 cwt.	
1894	Clover (weighed as hay) ⁽⁸⁾	23 <i>½</i> bush.	1713 lbs.	15 <i>½</i> cwt.	3297 lbs.	37 <i>½</i> bush.	2650 lbs.	5034 lbs.	39 <i>½</i> bush.	1639 lbs.	2890 lbs.	
1895	Wheat	11 <i>½</i> bush.	1251 lbs.	1927 lbs.	1927 lbs.	22 <i>½</i> bush.	1790 lbs.	2383 lbs.	39 <i>½</i> bush.	2883 lbs.	69 <i>½</i> cwt.	
13th Course, 1896-99.												
1896	Swedish Turnips			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.			Failed, and ploughed up.		
1897	Barley	7 <i>½</i> cwt.	11 <i>½</i> bush.	11 <i>½</i> cwt.	8 <i>½</i> cwt.	8 <i>½</i> cwt.	14 <i>½</i> cwt.	206 <i>½</i> cwt.	12 cwt.	12 cwt.	397 cwt.	
1898	Clover or Beans	11 <i>½</i> bush.	1251 lbs.	1927 lbs.	1927 lbs.	22 <i>½</i> bush.	1790 lbs.	2383 lbs.	39 <i>½</i> bush.	2883 lbs.	4085 lbs.	
1899	Wheat	11 <i>½</i> bush.	1251 lbs.	1927 lbs.	1927 lbs.	22 <i>½</i> bush.	1790 lbs.	2383 lbs.	39 <i>½</i> bush.	2883 lbs.	397 cwt.	

(1) First Course—100 lbs. Bone-ash, and 1000 lbs. Sulphuric Acid (sp. gr. 1.7); Second Course—300 lbs. Bone-ash, 120 lbs. Sulphuric Acid; Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Courses—200 lbs. Bone-ash, and 150 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, per acre; Eleventh and Twelfth Courses—made from high percentage animal phosphates, and containing 37 per cent., or more, of soluble phosphate.

(2) For the Tenth Course, in addition to the Superphosphate for the Swedish Turnips—300 lbs. Sulphate Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphite Soda, and 100 lbs. Sulphite Magnesia were applied February 29, 1884, and harrowed in; and the same quantities were applied again before the final ploughing and preparation of the land for the sowing of seed in May. For the Swedes of the Eleventh and Twelfth Courses the same mineral manures (which are the same as the mineral manures of Plot 3 for the third and subsequent Courses) were again applied, but only once for each of these two Courses. For the Swedes of the Thirteenth Course—500 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphite Soda, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, and 600 lbs. Basic Slag, per acre.

(2) First Course—100 lbs. Bone-ash, 100 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia and 1000 lbs. Rape-Cake; Second Course—300 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphite of Soda, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, 150 lbs. Bone-ash, 120 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, 100 lbs. Muritate of Ammonia, and 2000 lbs. Rape-Cake; Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Courses—300 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 200 lbs. Sulphite of Soda, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, 100 lbs. Bone-ash, 150 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, and 2000 lbs. Rape-cake, per acre; Eleventh and Twelfth Courses—the same in other respects as in Courses 3-10, or more, of soluble Superphosphate made from high percentage mineral phosphates, and containing 37 per cent., or more, of soluble phosphate. For the Swedes of the Thirteenth Course—500 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, 600 lbs. Basic Slag, 2000 lbs. Rape-Cake, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, and 100 lbs. Muritate of Ammonia, per acre.

(3) The quantities given in *Brahe's* represent the *Dressed Corn* only.

(4) The "Total Products" of the Corn-crops includes Dressed Corn, Oats, Corn, Straw, and Chaff.

(5) Two cut-trees, one of which was cut down in 1884.

[For Summary Table of the above results see [109-91](#)

A G D E L L F I E L D.

(Area under experiment, about 3 acres.)

EXPERIMENTS ON AN ACTUAL COURSE OF ROTATION—TURNIPS, BARLEY, LEGUMINOUS CROP (OR FALLOW), AND WHEAT.

These Experiments were commenced in 1848; so that the present season, 1898, is the 51st, and the growing crop (Beans) is the third of the Thirteenth Course. One-third of the land has been continuously unmanured. One-third has, for the first Nine Courses, been manured with Superphosphate of Lime alone, once every four years, that is for the turnip-crop commencing each course; but for the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Courses, a complex mineral manure has been applied, as described in foot-note, No. 2. Lastly, one-third has been manured (also for the turnip-crop only), with a complex mineral and Nitrogenous manure, as described in the foot-note, No. 3. From half of each of the three differently manured plots, the turnip-crops (roots and leaves) are removed; and on the other half they are either consumed on the land by sheep, or spread and ploughed in. In the case of all the other crops, the total produce is removed from the land.

TABLE II. (below), gives the results relating to the portions of each course (excepting the first, 1850, when clover was grown), the land was left fallow, and on which, in the third year of each year (about 1.12 Kilogramme per Hectare, or 0.57 Zollverein Pfund, per Prussian Morgen. 1 cwt. (hundredweight) per acre = (about) 125.5 Kilogrammes per Hectare, or 0.64 Centner per Pr. Morgen.

Years.	Description of Crop.	Plot 1. Unmanured continuously.			Plot 2. Superphosphate of Lime alone (1), Courses 1-9, Complex Mineral Manure (2), Courses 10-13, for the Turnip Crops only.			Plot 3. Complex Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure (3), for the Turnip Crops only.		
		Corn (4) (or Roots).		Total Produce (5)	Corn (4) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce (5)	Corn (4) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce (5)
		1st Course, 1848-51.			2nd Course, 1852-55.			3rd Course, 1856-59.		
1848	Swedish Turnips	175 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	19 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	195 cwt.	292 cwt.	35 cwt.	327 cwt.	394 cwt.	46 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	441 cwt.
1849	Barley	33 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	220 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	41 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	29 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	187 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	35 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	37 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	282 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	502 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1850	Clover (calcd as hay) (6)	30 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	32 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	52 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	31 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	349 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	56 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	30 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	361 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	56 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1851	Wheat									
1852	Swedish Turnips	37 cwt.	5 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	21 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	42 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	256 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	22 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	40 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	40 cwt.	44 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.
1853	Barley	32 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	23 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	40 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	47 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	32 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	20 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	3 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	25 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	45 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1854	Fallow	37 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	42 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	67 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	67 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	42 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	67 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	38 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	49 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	74 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1855	Wheat									
1856	Swedish Turnips	45 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	4 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	23 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	47 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	170 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	8 cwt.	17 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	11 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	33 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.
1857	Barley	43 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	47 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	50 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	30 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	16 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	32 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	24 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	50 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1858	Fallow	35 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	65 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	37 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	66 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	53 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	80 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1859	Wheat									
1860	Swedish Turnips	1 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	1 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	21 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	1 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	33 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	2 cwt.	35 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	87 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	91 cwt.
1861	Barley	35 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	35 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	45 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	42 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	32 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	19 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	38 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	39 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	74 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1862	Fallow	45 bush.	45 bush.	45 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	74 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	46 bush.	46 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	76 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	52 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	88 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1863	Wheat									
1864	Swedish Turnips	7 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	3 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	18 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	52 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	52 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	18 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	182 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.	9 ewts.	191 <i>1</i> ¹ cwt.
1865	Barley	34 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	34 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	18 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	36 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	31 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	15 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	44 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	23 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	47 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1866	Fallow	27 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	26 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	26 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	26 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	27 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	44 <i>1</i> ¹ bush.	28 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.	43 <i>1</i> ¹ lbs.
1867	Wheat									

6th Course, 1868-71.									
1868	Swedish Turnips	Failed, and ploughed up.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2881 lbs.	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1873 lbs.	3328 lbs.	394 bush.	Failed, and ploughed up.
1869	Barley	1628 lbs.	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2075 lbs.	3004 lbs.	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2128 lbs.	3133 lbs.	3064 lbs.
1870	Fallow								5414 lbs.
1871	Wheat								3747 lbs.
7th Course, 1872-75.									
1872	Swedish Turnips	51 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1374 lbs.	60 cwt.	142 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1370 lbs.	322 cwt.	34 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1873	Barley	20 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2833 lbs.	2586 lbs.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3230 lbs.	2113 lbs.	366 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1874	Fallow								3412 lbs.
1875	Wheat								3448 lbs.
8th Course, 1876-79.									
1876	Swedish Turnips	31 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	124 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	364 cwt.	193 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1654 lbs.	210 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	34 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1877	Barley	23 bush.	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2162 lbs.	2602 lbs.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1956 lbs.	2304 lbs.	344 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1878	Fallow								3406 lbs.
1879	Wheat								2478 lbs.
9th Course, 1880-83.									
1880	Swedish Turnips	32 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1556 lbs.	361 cwt.	224 cwt.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	238 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	36 cwt.
1881	Barley	29 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	33 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2994 lbs.	5140 lbs.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	38 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2576 lbs.	486 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1882	Fallow								3631 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1883	Wheat								6132 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.
10th Course, 1884-87.									
1884	Swedish Turnips	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1518 lbs.	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	169 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	178 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	55 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1885	Barley	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	34 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2505 lbs.	2402 lbs.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1043 lbs.	1833 lbs.	353 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1886	Fallow								2643 lbs.
1887	Wheat								2362 lbs.
11th Course, 1888-91.									
1888	Swedish Turnips	15 cwt.	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	943 lbs.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	142 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	158 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	398 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1889	Barley	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	32 bush.	2941 lbs.	4868 lbs.	41 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	36 bush.	1715 lbs.	19 bush.
1890	Fallow								1523 lbs.
1891	Wheat								5394 lbs.
12th Course, 1892-95.									
1892	Swedish Turnips	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1614 lbs.	11 cwt.	226 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	431 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	37 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1893	Barley	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1630 lbs.	2784 lbs.	13 bush.	1203 lbs.	1998 lbs.	469 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1894	Fallow								2362 lbs.
1895	Wheat								6748 lbs.
13th Course, 1896-99.									
1896	Swedish Turnips	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	94 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	161 cwt.	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	523 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1897	Barley	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.			1609 lbs.	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	963 lbs.	1677 lbs.	2755 lbs.
1898	Fallow								4442 lbs.
1899	Wheat								2388 lbs.

(1) First Course—100 lbs. Bone-ash, and 100 lbs. Sulphuric Acid (see, gr. 1st); Second Course—100 lbs. Bone-ash, 120 lbs. Sulphuric Acid; Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Courses—made from high percentage Bone-ash, and 150 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, per acre; Eleventh and Twelfth Courses—made from more, or soluble phosphate, mineral phosphates, and containing 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., or more, of soluble phosphate.

(2) For the Tenth Course, in addition to the Superphosphate for the Swedish Turnips—200 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, and 100 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, were applied February 29, 1884, and harrowed in; and the same quantities were applied again before the final ploughing and preparation of the land for the sowing of the seed in May. For the Swedes of the Eleventh and Twelfth Courses the same mineral manures (which are the same as the mineral manures of Plot 3 for the Third and subsequent Courses) were again applied, but only once for each of these two Courses. For the Swedes of the Thirteenth Course—300 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, and 600 lbs. Basic Soda, 2000 lbs. Rape-cake, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, and 100 lbs. Muriate of Ammonia, per acre.

(3) The "Total Produce" of the Corn-crops includes Dressed Corn, Oats, Corn, Straw, and Chaff.

(4) Two cuttings.

(5) First Course—100 lbs. Pearl-ash, 100 lbs. Bone-ash, 100 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Bone-ash; Second Course—300 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, 100 lbs. Bone-ash, 120 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Muriate of Ammonia, and 200 lbs. Rape-cake; Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Courses—300 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 200 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, 200 lbs. Bone-ash, 150 lbs. Sulphuric Acid, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, 100 lbs. Muriate of Ammonia, and 200 lbs. Rape-cake, per acre; Eleventh and Twelfth Courses—the same in other respects as in Courses 3-10, but the Superphosphate made from high percentage mineral phosphates, and containing 37 per cent., or more, of soluble phosphate. For the Swedes of the Thirteenth Course—400 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, 600 lbs. Basic Soda, 2000 lbs. Rape-cake, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, and 100 lbs. Muriate of Ammonia, per acre.

(6) The quantities given in *Buckets* represent the *Dressed Corn* only.

(7) Two cuttings.

[For Summary Table of the above results, see pp. 108-9.]

A G D E L L F I E L D.

(Area under experiment, about 3 acres.)

EXPERIMENTS ON AN ACTUAL COURSE OF ROTATION—TURNIPS, BARLEY, LEGUMINOUS CROP (OR FALLOW), AND WHEAT.

These Experiments were commenced in 1848; so that the present season, 1893, is the 51st, and the growing crop (Beans) is the third of the Thirteenth Course.

One-third of the land has been continuously unmanured. One-third has, for the first Nine Courses, or 36 years, 1848-83, been manured with Superphosphate of Lime alone, once every four years, that is, for the turnip-crop commencing each course; but applied for the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Courses, a complex mineral manure has been applied, as described in foot-note, No. 2. Lastly, one-third has been manured (also for the turnip-crop only), with a complex mineral and Nitrogenous manure, as described in the foot-note, No. 3.

From half of each of the three differently manured plots, the turnip-crops (roots and leaves) are removed; and on the other half they are either consumed on the land by sheep, or spread and ploughed in. In the case of all the other crops, the total produce is removed from the land.

TABLE III. (below), gives the results relating to the portions of each plot on which the turnip-crops were either fed off by sheep, or cut and spread on the land; and on which clover or beans were grown.

		1 lb. (pound avoir.) per acre 1 cwt. (hundredweight) per acre	= (about) 1·12 Kilogramme per Hectare, or 0·57 Zollverein Pfund, per Prussian Morgen. = (about) 125·5 Kilogrammes per Hectare, or 0·64 Centner per Pr. Morgen.
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Years.	Description of Crop.	Plot 1.			Plot 2.			Plot 3.		
		Corn (4) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce (5)	Corn (4) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce (5)	Corn (4) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce (5)
1st Course, 1848-51.										
1848	Norfolk White Turnips	109 cwts. 48 bush.	67½ cwts. 32½ lbs.	176½ cwts. 6146 lbs.	220½ cwts. 43½ bush.	90 cwts. 3327 lbs.	310½ cwts. 5358 lbs.	229 cwts. 42½ bush.	151½ cwts. 3646 lbs.	380½ cwts. 6206 lbs.
1849	Barley	48	48	96	38	32	49½ cwts. 6176 lbs.	32 bush.	4014 lbs.	604 cwts. 6169 lbs.
1850	Clover (called as hay) (6)	30½ bush.	3760 lbs.	30½ bush.	30½ bush.	32 bush.	30½ bush.	31½ bush.	4035 lbs.	380½ cwts. 6206 lbs.
1851	Wheat	30½ bush.	3555 lbs.							
2nd Course, 1852-55.										
1852	Swedish Turnips	19½ cwts. 5½ bush.	3½ cwts. 1367 lbs.	250½ cwts. 5381 lbs.	22 cwts. 38 bush.	2756 lbs. 1378 lbs.	274½ cwts. 5058 lbs.	396 cwts. 53½ bush.	33 cwts. 13½ bush.	419 cwts. 5190 lbs.
1853	Barley	5½	5½	10½	10½	10½ bush.	10½ bush.	10½ bush.	10½ bush.	254 lbs. 6992 lbs.
1854	Beans.	34½ bush.	3526 lbs.	3526 lbs.	36½ bush.	3611 lbs.	5921 lbs.	4370 lbs.	4370 lbs.	254 lbs. 6992 lbs.
1855	Wheat	30½ bush.	3351 lbs.							
3rd Course, 1856-59.										
1856	Swedish Turnips	20½ cwts. 40½ bush.	1½ cwts. 5½ bush.	21½ cwts. 4558 lbs.	196 cwts. 4558 lbs.	14½ cwts. 38 bush.	210½ cwts. 5741 lbs.	341½ cwts. 63½ bush.	11½ cwts. 1895 lbs.	353 cwts. 6930 lbs.
1857	Barley	5½	5½	965 lbs.	1307 lbs.	965 lbs.	1320 lbs.	1320 lbs.	1320 lbs.	254 lbs. 7417 lbs.
1858	Beans.	30½ bush.	3355 lbs.	3355 lbs.	3265 lbs.	374 bush.	4320 lbs.	6639 lbs.	4955 lbs.	254 lbs. 7417 lbs.
1859	Wheat	30½ bush.	3355 lbs.							
4th Course, 1860-63.										
1860	Swedish Turnips	1 cwt. 29½ bush.	½ lbs.)	1 cwt. 3546 lbs.	383 cwts. 42½ bush.	1 cwt. 30 bush.	40½ cwts. 4982 lbs.	72 cwts. 54½ bush.	4½ cwts. 3940 lbs.	764 cwts. 7148 lbs.
1861	Barley	27	27	1845 lbs.	3546 lbs.	2156 lbs.	4027 lbs.	41½ bush.	2945 lbs.	5520 lbs.
1862	Beans.	30½ bush.	3008 lbs.	4941 lbs.	41½ bush.	3388 lbs.	6562 lbs.	44½ bush.	4919 lbs.	7721 lbs.
1863	Wheat	30½ bush.								
5th Course, 1864-67.										
1864	Swedish Turnips	8½ cwts. 27½ bush.	1 cwt. 84 bush.	9½ cwts. 1485 lbs.	784 cwts. 1485 lbs.	44 cwts. 10 bush.	833 cwts. 1455 lbs.	163½ cwts. 4457 lbs.	33½ cwts. 2481 lbs.	177½ cwts. 2958 lbs.
1865	Barley	84	84	905 lbs.	2961 lbs.	10 bush.	1335 lbs.	14½ bush.	2135 lbs.	5308 lbs.
1866	Beans.	15½ bush.	1524 lbs.	2506 lbs.	25 bush.	2648 lbs.	4242 lbs.	21½ bush.	1654 lbs.	3722 lbs.
1867	Wheat	15½ bush.								3023 lbs.

6th Course, 1868-71.									
1868	Swedish Turnips	•	•	25½ bush.	194½ lbs.	337 lbs.	334 bush.	240½ lbs.	431½ lbs.
1869	Barley	•	•	22½ bush.	1864 lbs.	15½ lbs.	15½ bush.	1867 lbs.	322½ lbs.
1870	Beans	•	•	21½ bush.	710 lbs.	878 lbs.	23 bush.	4404 lbs.	1008 lbs.
1871	Wheat	•	•	21½ bush.	2655 lbs.	3994 lbs.	23 bush.	2880 lbs.	3644 lbs.
7th Course, 1872-75.									
1872	Swedish Turnips	•	•	29½ cwt.	1495 lbs.	7½ cwt.	191½ cwt.	1841 lbs.	194½ cwt.
1873	Barley	•	•	22½ bush.	55½ lbs.	22½ cwt.	29½ bush.	132½ bush.	45½ cwt.
1874	Clover (sic ^a as hay) (7)	•	•	19½ bush.	2353 lbs.	31½ bush.	31½ bush.	15½ bush.	30½ bush.
1875	Wheat	•	•	8½ bush.	1219 lbs.	32½ lbs.	32½ lbs.	1771 lbs.	2138 lbs.
8th Course, 1876-79.									
1876	Swedish Turnips	•	•	21 cwt.	5 cwt.	26 cwt.	225½ cwt.	199½ lbs.	253½ cwt.
1877	Barley	•	•	23½ bush.	1341 lbs.	2844 lbs.	38½ cwt.	4157 lbs.	49½ cwt.
1878	Beans	•	•	7½ bush.	775 lbs.	1255 lbs.	132½ bush.	1350 lbs.	224½ bush.
1879	Wheat	•	•	8½ bush.	1800 lbs.	3642 lbs.	15½ bush.	2751 lbs.	14 bush.
9th Course, 1880-83.									
1880	Swedish Turnips	•	•	21 cwt.	3 cwt.	24 cwt.	223½ cwt.	11 cwt.	234½ cwt.
1881	Barley	•	•	23½ bush.	1468 lbs.	2929 lbs.	28½ cwt.	1430 lbs.	3051 lbs.
1882	Clover (calc'd as hay) (6)	•	•	25½ bush.	2060 lbs.	3722½ cwt.	40 bush.	3275 lbs.	70½ cwt.
1883	Wheat	•	•	27½ bush.	1844 lbs.	3741 lbs.	44½ bush.	5901 lbs.	50½ bush.
10th Course, 1884-87.									
1884	Swedish Turnips	•	•	12 cwt.	5 cwt.	17 cwt.	206 cwt.	229 cwt.	250½ cwt.
1885	Barley	•	•	16 bush.	1379 lbs.	2235 lbs.	34½ cwt.	4193 lbs.	44½ cwt.
1886	Clover (weight ^b as hay) (6)	•	•	27½ bush.	1844 lbs.	11½ cwt.	14½ bush.	3238 lbs.	42 cwt.
1887	Wheat	•	•	29½ bush.	3550 lbs.	3550 lbs.	44½ bush.	6332 lbs.	43½ bush.
11th Course, 1888-91.									
1888	Swedish Turnips	•	•	8 cwt.	3½ cwt.	15½ cwt.	249½ cwt.	1613 lbs.	272½ cwt.
1889	Barley	•	•	12½ bush.	865 lbs.	1530 lbs.	24½ bush.	1630 lbs.	3250 lbs.
1890	Beans	•	•	8½ bush.	633 lbs.	1167 lbs.	24 bush.	1650 lbs.	3269 lbs.
1891	Wheat	•	•	20½ bush.	2318 lbs.	3921 lbs.	50½ bush.	5017 lbs.	5034 lbs.
12th Course, 1892-95.									
1892	Swedish Turnips	•	•	6½ cwt.	144½ bush.	0½ cwt.	25½ cwt.	1466 lbs.	417½ cwt.
1893	Barley	•	•	22½ bush.	1819 lbs.	17½ cwt.	19½ bush.	1613 lbs.	2550 lbs.
1894	Clover (weight ^b as hay) (6)	•	•	22½ bush.	3119 lbs.	3119 lbs.	39½ bush.	2331 lbs.	6434 lbs.
1895	Wheat	•	•	24½ bush.					
13th Course, 1896-99.									
1896	Swedish Turnips	•	•	11½ cwt.	986 lbs.	13½ cwt.	240½ cwt.	18½ cwt.	333½ cwt.
1897	Barley	•	•	11½ bush.	11½ bush.	1677 lbs.	37½ bush.	1466 lbs.	417½ cwt.
1898	Clover or Beans	•	•	Wheat	•				
1899	Wheat	•	•						

(1) First Course—100 lbs. Bone-ash, and 100 lbs. Sulphuric Acid (sp. gr. 1.7); Second Course—160 lbs. Bone-ash, 120 lbs. Sulphuric Acid; Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Courses—made from high percentage mineral phosphates, and containing 37 per cent., or more, of soluble phosphate. For the Tenth Course, in addition to the Superphosphate for the Swedish Turnips—300 lbs. Sulphato Potash, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, and 200 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, and 100 lbs. Sulphate of Ammonia, were applied in February 29, 1884, and harrowed in; and the same quantities were applied again before the final ploughing and preparation of the land for the sowing of the seed in May. For the Swedes of the Eleventh and Twelfth Courses the same mineral manures (which are the same as the mineral manures of Plot 3 for the Third and Subsequent Courses) were again applied, but only once for each of these two Courses. For the Swedes of the Thirteenth Course—500 lbs. Sulphate of Potash, 100 lbs. Sulphate of Soda, 200 lbs. Sulphate of Magnesia, and 600 lbs. Basic Slag, per acre.

(2) For the Summary Table of the above results, see pp. 108-9.

(3) The “Total Products” of the Corn-crops include Dressed Corn, Oatmeal, Straw, and Claff.

(4) Two cuttings.

(5) The “Total Products” of the Corn-crops include Dressed Corn, Oatmeal, Straw, and Claff.

(6) Two cuttings.

(7) Three Cuttings.

[For Summary Table of the above results, see pp. 108-9.]

AGDELL FIELD.

(Area under experiment, about 3 acres.)

EXPERIMENTS ON AN ACTUAL COURSE OF ROTATION—TURNIPS, BARLEY, LEGUMINOUS CROP (OR FALLOW), AND WHEAT.

These Experiments were commenced in 1848 : so that the present season, 1898, is the 51st,

and the growing crop (Beans) is the third of the Thirteenth Course. One-third of the land has been continuously unmanured.

One-third has, for the first Nine Courses, or 36 years, 1848-83, been manured with Superphosphate of Lime alone, once every four years, that is for the turnip-crop commencing each course ; but for the Tenth, Eleventh, Twelfth, and Thirteenth Courses, a complex mineral manure has been applied, as described in foot-note, No. 2. Lastly, one-third has been manured (also for the turnip-crop only), with a complex mineral and Nitrogenous manure, as described in the foot-note, No. 3.

From half of each of the three differently manured plots, the turnip-crops (roots and leaves) are removed ; and on the other half they are either consumed on the land by sheep, or spread and ploughed in. In the case of all the other crops, the total produce is removed from the land.

TABLE IV. (below), gives the results relating to the portions of each plot on which the turnip-crops were either fed off by sheep, or cut and spread on the land ; and on which, in the third year of each course (excepting the first, 1850, when clover was grown), the land was left fallow.

		1 lb. (pound avoird.) per acre = (about) 1.12 Kilogramme per Hectare, or 0.57 Zollverein Pfund, per Pr. Morgen.		1 cwt. (hundredweight) per acre = (about) 125.5 Kilogrammes per Hectare, or 0.64 Centner per Pr. Morgen.	
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Years.	Description of Crop.	Plot 1. Unmanured continuously.		Plot 2. Superphosphate of Lime alone, (1) Courses 1-9; Complex Mineral Manures (2), Courses 10-13; for the Turnip Crops only.		Plot 3. Complex Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure; (3) for the Turnip Crops only.	
		Corn (*) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Corn (*) (or Roots).	Total Straw (or Leaf).	Corn (*) (or Roots).	Total Straw (or Leaf).
1st Course, 1848-51.							
1848	Swedish Turnips	177 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	20 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	193 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	345 cwt.	384 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	429 cwt.
1849	Barley	44 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	31 <i>3</i> / ₄ bush.	678 <i>1</i> / ₂ lbs.	41 bush.	570 <i>1</i> / ₂ lbs.	44 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.
1850	Clover (cal'd as hay) (5)	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	34 <i>3</i> / ₄ bush.	558 <i>1</i> / ₂ lbs.	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	60 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	27 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.
1851	Wheat	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	34 <i>3</i> / ₄ bush.	647 <i>3</i> / ₄ lbs.	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	606 <i>2</i> lbs.	396 <i>9</i> / ₁₆ lbs.
2nd Course, 1852-55.							
1852	Swedish Turnips	27 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	2 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	31 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	27 <i>3</i> / ₄ cwt.	22 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	390 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.
1853	Barley	33 bush.	22 <i>10</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	41 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	39 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	27 <i>2</i> / ₉ lbs.	37 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.
1854	Fallow	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	40 <i>70</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	40 <i>45</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	37 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	44 <i>92</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	636 <i>1</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1855	Wheat	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	40 <i>45</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	627 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	472 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	636 <i>1</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
3rd Course, 1856-59.							
1856	Swedish Turnips	34 cwt.	2 cwt.	36 cwt.	193 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	12 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	339 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.
1857	Barley	44 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	24 <i>30</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	49 <i>12</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	4 <i>4</i> / ₃ bush.	25 <i>95</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	66 <i>8</i> / ₁₁ bush.
1858	Fallow	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	40 <i>45</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	627 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	472 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	724 <i>2</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1859	Wheat	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	40 <i>45</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	627 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	472 <i>0</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	554 <i>5</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
4th Course, 1860-63.							
1860	Swedish Turnips	1 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	33 bush.	20 <i>18</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	1 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	40 <i>3</i> / ₁₁ cwt.	42 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.
1861	Barley	**	**	38 <i>71</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	38 <i>71</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	24 <i>75</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	48 <i>03</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1862	Fallow	42 bush.	42 bush.	42 <i>95</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	49 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	50 <i>51</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	81 <i>94</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1863	Wheat	**	**	69 <i>99</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	49 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	50 <i>51</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	56 <i>33</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
5th Course, 1864-67.							
1864	Swedish Turnips	9 cwt.	5 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	9 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	7 <i>9</i> / ₄ cwt.	5 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.	84 <i>1</i> / ₂ cwt.
1865	Barley	3 <i>1</i> / ₂ bush.	18 <i>09</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	36 <i>95</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	2 <i>9</i> / ₄ bush.	20 <i>43</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	41 <i>22</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1866	Fallow	2 <i>9</i> / ₄ bush.	23 <i>98</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	41 <i>26</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	2 <i>7</i> / ₄ bush.	29 <i>89</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	47 <i>02</i> / ₁₁ lbs.
1867	Wheat	2 <i>9</i> / ₄ bush.	23 <i>98</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	41 <i>26</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	2 <i>7</i> / ₄ bush.	29 <i>89</i> / ₁₁ lbs.	29 <i>05</i> / ₁₁ lbs.

(5) The "Total Produce" of the Corn-crops includes Dressed Corn, Oats, Corn, Straw, and Chaff.
 (6) Two cuttings.

[For Summary Table of the above results, see pp. 108-9.]

AGDELL FIELD.

(Area under experiment, about 3 acres.)

EXPERIMENTS ON AN ACTUAL COURSE OF ROTATION—TURNIPS, BARLEY, LEGUMINOUS CROP (OR FALLOW), AND WHEAT.

SUMMARIES OF THE RESULTS GIVEN IN TABLES I., II., III., AND IV. (pp. 100-1, 102-3, 104-5, and 106-7, RESPECTIVELY.

As the Table shows, averages are given for each of the four portions of the experimental land, for which Tables I., II., III., and IV., respectively, give the details. The averages are given, first of the produce of the eight intermediate Courses (Courses 2-9, 1852-1883); that is, excluding the First Course, when the land was in somewhat uneven condition, and when (as the detailed Tables show), on some portions Norfolk Whites, and on others Swedish Turnips, were grown; excluding also the Tenth, Eleventh, and Twelfth

1 lb. (pound avoird.) per acre = (about) 1.12 Kilogramme per Hectare, or 0.57 Zollverein Pfund. per Prussian Morgen
1 cwt. (hundredweight) per acre = (about) 125.5 Kilogrammes per Hectare, or 0.64 Centner per Pr. Morgen.

Years,	Description of Crop.	Plot 1. Unmanured continuously.			Plot 2. Superphosphate of Lime, alone, Courses 1-9, Complex Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure, for the Turnip Crops only.			Plot 3. Complex Mineral and Nitrogenous Manure, for the Turnip Crops only.		
		Corn (1) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce.(2)	Corn (1) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce.(2)	Corn (1) (or Roots).	Straw (or Leaf).	Total Produce.(2)
AVERAGE OF 8 COURSES (COURSES 2-9), 1852-1883.										
1852, '56, '60, '64, '72, '76, '80 1853, '57, '61, '65, '69, '73, '77, '81 1854, '58, '62, '66, '70, '74, '78, '82 1855, '59, '63, '67, '71, '75, '79, '83	Swedish Turnips Barley { Clover, 1874, and 82 (as hay) Beans Wheat	16½ cwt.s. 32½ bush. 1971 lbs. 1081 lbs. 2762 lbs.	194 cwt.s. 25½ cwt.s. 1867 lbs. 1867 lbs. 4407 lbs.	3780 lbs. 1807 lbs. 2762 lbs.	120½ cwt.s. 27½ bush. 1200 lbs. 28½ bush. 31023 lbs.	113 cwt.s. 27½ bush. 1200 lbs. 28½ bush. 31023 lbs.	3196 lbs. 52½ cwt.s. 1996 lbs. 4841 lbs.	188½ cwt.s. 42½ bush. 1809 lbs. 32½ bush. 37558 lbs.	266½ cwt.s. 42½ bush. 2547 lbs. 75 cwt.s. 3230 lbs. 5847 lbs.	24½ cwt.s. 4962 lbs. 1928 lbs. 2145 lbs. 3560 lbs. 6160 lbs.
AVERAGE OF 3 COURSES (COURSES 10, 11, AND 12), 1884-1895.										
1884, 1888 and 1892 1885, 1889 and 1893 1886, 1890 and 1894 1887, 1891 and 1895	Swedish Turnips Barley { Beans, 1890 Wheat	4½ cwt.s. 13½ bush. 7 bush. 26½ bush.	1½ cwt.s. 12½ lbs. 603 lbs. 2057 lbs.	1972 lbs. 13½ cwt.s. 1079 lbs. 3707 lbs.	6½ cwt.s. 19½ bush. 24½ bush. 40½ bush.	15½ cwt.s. 1334 lbs. 1764 lbs. 3314 lbs.	209½ cwt.s. 24½ bush. 3441 lbs. 5838 lbs.	410½ cwt.s. 27½ bush. 15½ bush. 41½ bush.	40½ cwt.s. 1928 lbs. 1102 lbs. 3560 lbs.	451½ cwt.s. 343 lbs. 49½ cwt.s. 2145 lbs. 6160 lbs.

SUMMARY OF TABLE II. (pp. 102-3).—Results relating to the portions of each plot from which the turnip-crops were entirely removed; and on which, in the third year of each course (excepting the first, 1850, when clover was grown), the land was left fallow.

AVERAGE OF 8 COURSES (COURSES 2-9), 1852-1883.

1852, '56, '60, '64, '72, '76, '80	26 cwt.	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	29 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	134 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	144 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	262 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	283 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
30 bush.	1792 lbs.	3497 lbs.	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1568 lbs.	3321 lbs.	404 bush.	2423 lbs.	4165 lbs.
23 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3153 lbs.	4976 lbs.	30 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3383 lbs.	5348 lbs.	31 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3782 lbs.	5508 lbs.
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								
Fallow.								
Wheat.								

AVERAGE OF 3 COURSES (COURSES 10, 11, AND 12), 1884-1895.

1884, 1888 and 1892	144 cwt.	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	176 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	124 cwt.	417 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	36 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	453 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1885, 1889 and 1893	17 bush.	1362 lbs.	2325 lbs.	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1070 lbs.	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1452 lbs.	2687 lbs.
1886, 1890 and 1894	23 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2359 lbs.	4208 lbs.	35 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3080 lbs.	37 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3321 lbs.	5695 lbs.
1887, 1891 and 1895								
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								
Fallow.								
Wheat.								

SUMMARY OF TABLE III. (pp. 104-5).—Results relating to the portions of each plot on which the turnip-crops were either fed off by sheep, or cut and spread on the land; and on which clover or beans were grown.

AVERAGE OF 8 COURSES (COURSES 2-9), 1852-1883.

1852, '56, '60, '64, '72, '76, '80	26 cwt.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	159 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	124 cwt.	163 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	287 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1853, '57, '61, '65, '69, '73, '77, '81	1755 lbs.	3351 lbs.	3351 lbs.	33 bush.	2250 lbs.	441 lbs.	3146 lbs.	5903 lbs.
Clover, 1874, and 1894 (as hay)	12 bush.	1802 lbs.	1802 lbs.	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1486 lbs.	244 bush.	1892 lbs.	394 lbs.
Beans.	2441 lbs.	3827 lbs.	3327 lbs.	31 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3303 lbs.	5307 lbs.	3821 lbs.	5932 lbs.
Wheat.								
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								

AVERAGE OF 3 COURSES (COURSES 10, 11, AND 12), 1884-1895.

1884, 1888 and 1892	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	236 cwt.	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	253 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	37 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	381 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1885, 1889 and 1893	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1201 lbs.	1997 lbs.	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1812 lbs.	37 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	2505 lbs.	4350 lbs.
Clover 1886 and 1894 (as hay)	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	633 lbs.	1197 lbs.	24 bush.	1630 lbs.	53 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	1069 lbs.	2195 lbs.
Beans 1890	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1927 lbs.	3530 lbs.	44 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3772 lbs.	6564 lbs.	3571 lbs.	6171 lbs.
Wheat.								
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								

SUMMARY OF TABLE IV. (pp. 106-7).—Results relating to the portions of each plot on which the turnip-crops were either fed off by sheep, or cut and spread on the land; and on which, in the third year of each course (excepting the first, 1850, when clover was grown), the land was left fallow.

AVERAGE OF 8 COURSES (COURSES 2-9), 1852-1883.

1852, '56, '60, '64, '72, '76, '80	24 cwt.	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	1784 lbs.	3491 lbs.	150 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	161 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	269 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	324 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1853, '57, '61, '65, '69, '73, '77, '81	30 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3081 lbs.	4863 lbs.	35 bush.	2116 lbs.	448 lbs.	3253 lbs.	6018 lbs.
1854, '58, '62, '66, '70, '74, '78, '82	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.			31 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3621 lbs.	5659 lbs.	3950 lbs.	5883 lbs.
1855, '59, '63, '67, '71, '75, '79, '83								
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								
Fallow.								
Wheat.								

AVERAGE OF 3 COURSES (COURSES 10, 11, AND 12), 1884-1895.

1884, 1888 and 1892	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	200 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	213 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	406 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.	444 $\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.
1885, 1889 and 1893	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	2571 lbs.	4257 lbs.	17 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	1287 lbs.	27 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs.	2178 lbs.	3745 lbs.
1886, 1890 and 1894	24 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3277 lbs.	37 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3279 lbs.	5681 lbs.	39 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush.	3759 lbs.	6224 lbs.
1887, 1891 and 1895								
Barley.								
Swedish Turnips.								
Fallow.								
Wheat.								

(1) The quantities given in Bushels represent the Dressed Corn only.
(2) The "Total Produce" of the Corn-crops includes Dressed Corn, Oats, Corn, Straw, and Chaff.