

Cascade House

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PROPRIETORS.

"Little Metis Beach," Que.....19

FERTILIZERS.

Kelp is hauled off the beach in large quantities and spread on the land. Herring, when they are obtained in large quantities in the spring, are also used on the land.

Ordinary seaweed is not used to any extent on the farms at New Richmond. Some people claim to have had bad experiences with "Twitch Grass" after having used this form of fertilizer. There does not seem to be any very good reason for this unless the fertilizer amplified a condition which already existed.

LIME.

Years ago an old man brought home a shovel of mud from a certain lake near the village of New Richmond. Through some accident the soil from the lake reached a plant which suddenly took on new life. I was interested to find that the farmers now dredge the lake every winter and haul this sediment away to be spread on their farms. The proprietors of the lake cut holes in the ice, set up a sort of derrick, lift the sediment which they sell to the farmers for \$.20 for a double load. The farmers seem to be satisfied with the results obtained with this fertilizer but they complain of a tremendous shrinkage. The loads are heavy when hauled and distant farmers can make only a few trips in a day. When this material has dried and is ready to be spread on the land, the farmer is always disappointed with the quantity which he has as a result of his toil.

If the college would like to have a sample of this sediment it could easily be obtained (at a slightly later date) from Mr. Willet.

Mr. W. H. Willet
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There are large deposits of lime in the vicinity of New Richmond. The Government, some of the people stated, is going to send down a stone crusher which will operate by water power, to be utilized in crushing the limestone.

PRESENT PROBLEMS

The "Hawk Weed" or the Devil's Paint Brush appears to be rapidly getting the better of the farmers. The "Sow Thistle" was also mentioned as a threatening weed. The people would be very grateful for any information from the college, as to how these weeds may be exterminated. It was suggested that an answer to these difficulties be directed to,-

Mr. McComb
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