NEW PUBLICATIONS.

NEW-JERSEY.

GEOLOGY OF NEW-JERSEY. By authority of the Legislature: By GEORGE H. COOK, State Geologist. Published by the Board of Managers. Newark: 1868.

[Second Notice.]

The first geological survey of New-Jersey was authorized by the Legislature of 1835, and was conducted under the auspices of the eminent Henry D. Rogers. The final report of this survey was published in 1840, and was one of the best that had then been made in the United States. A second, and more thorough, survey was ordered in 1854. This survey was brought to a close in 1857, through failure of the necessary appropriations. In 1864, the survey was resumed and carried on to a successful completion, and the very able final report by Prof. G. H. Cook is now before us.

On examining this volume, one is forcibly reminded of Andersen's inimitable fable of the "ugly little duck." It will be remembered that the poor little duckling had humility forced upon it by the contempt and derision of its fellows, who, seeing it unlike themselves, jumped at the conclusion that the difference implied inferiority. Time, however, that unerring test of all things, did not fail to vindicate our unhappy palmipede, who developed into no less than a fine swan, thus stultifying the hasty judgment founded on its unsightliness during the transition state. Similarly, the finger of scorn has long been pointed at New-Jersey—no one ever seemed to know why, except on the principle enunciated in the old saw, which says: "Give a dog a bad name, and hang him." Fortunately, seven thousand and odd square miles of territory are not so easily disposed of as a few pounds of dog-flesh, and as it was, therefore, impossible to carry out the letter of the proverb in this case, the State has been able to work itself clear of its bad reputation. The volume before us states in its preface that

New-Jersey has unequaled advantages in location, soil and climate. Up to 1840, these advantages do not seem to have been appreciated or much improved. The population only doubled between 1790 and 1840, while that of the United States increased more than fourfold; and the increase of wealth was still more disparaging. Between 1840 and 1850, the State increased 21 per cent. in population, while the United States increased 36 per cent. From 1850 to 1860, there was an increase of 37½ per cent. in New-Jersey, and of 35½ per cent in the United States. Since 1860, the increase has been equally rapid, and at this time the total number of inhabitants is not less than 850,000, which is 112 to the square mile—a density of population only exceeded by Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The increase in population has been most rapid in the vicinities of New-York and Philadelphia, but there has also been a large increase in the more thinly settled agricultural districts. It is a remarkable circumstance that in the older settled counties there is a rapid increase in taxable property and in the value of agricultural products, and not much increase in population. This is undoubtedly due to improvements in management, to the use of fertilizers in large quantities, and to the introduction of labor-saving implements. Farms without number can be shown which produce from two to four times as much as formerly, and on which there is no increase in the amount of labor employed. Farm lands have increased in value from year to year, and the price per acre is higher than in any other of the States, as is shown by the following estimate of the Department of Agriculture for 1868:

	1850.	1860.	1867.
New-Jersey	$43 67	$60 40	$78 00
New-York	29 00	38 00	46 00
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New-Jersey, though twentieth in population, is sixth in the value of its manufactures, and is yet capable of producing food for all its people, and in *value* of crops it does so—if it does not in kind. The value of manufactured articles is steadily on the increase. Newark is the third city in the Union in the value of its manufactured products. The potteries of Trenton are more extensive than any other in our country. The glass manufacture is very large. More than half the zinc products in the Union are mined and manufactured in New-Jersey. About one-eighth of all the iron in the country is taken from our mines, and the State stands fifth in the amount of iron made."

There is a tone of pardonable pride in this language which the figures abundantly justify. The iron-producing regions of New-Jersey present an exception to the general geological rule which almost invariably associates *iron* with *coal*. In the State of New-Jersey, the coal-measures are entirely wanting, and the only fuel found besides wood is lignite and peat. All the other geological formations seem to find place in New-Jersey; the lower systems being found in the north-western portions of the State, and the upper ones in the south-eastern, the *strike* being north-east and south-west, and the *dip* south-east. As would naturally be inferred from this fact, the northern and north-western regions are the most diversified by mountains and lakes.

To the southern and south-eastern portions of the State belong the more recent formations. They are comparatively level, though very well watered by an abundance of fine streams. The cretaceous system forms a belt following the Trenton branch of the Camden and Amboy railroad to Trenton, and from there follows the Delaware river to the head of Delaware Bay. Its width at its eastern extremity is 27 miles, at its western extremity, 10¾. It comprises, in descending order, the following series, viz.: Upper marl bed, yellow sand, middle marl bed, red sand, lower marl bed, clay marls, plastic clay. The strike of these strata follow a general course of S. 55° W. (referred to the true meridian.) The dip is at right angles to this, or S. 35° E. The degree of dip seems to average about 30 feet to the mile. The band of fertile red sand, standing fourth on our list, may be readily traced from the Navesink Highlands, through Red Bank, Freehold, and Mount Holly, to the City of Salem, at the head of the Delaware Bay. But the geological characteristic of the New-Jersey cretaceous system is undoubtedly the marl formation. Prof. Cook does not exaggerate one whit when he says:

The marl which has been described in the preceding pages has been of incalculable value to the country in which it is found. It has rescued it from the lowest stage of agricultural exhaustion to a high state of improvement. Found in places where no capital and but little labor were needed to get it, the poorest have been able to avail themselves of its benefits. Lands which, in the old style of cultivation, had to lie fallow, by the use of marl produce heavy crops of clover and grow rich while resting. Thousands of acres of lands which had been worn out and left in commons, are now, by the use of this fertilizer, yielding crops of the finest quality. Instances are pointed out everywhere in the marl district of farms, which in former times would not support a family, but are now making their owners rich by their productiveness. Bare sands, by the application of marl, are made to grow clover, and then crops of corn, potatoes, and wheat. What are supposed to be pine barrens, by the use of marl are made into fruitful land. The price of lands in this region was considerably below that in the northern part of the State forty years ago; now that the lands are improved, their prices are higher than those in the northern part of the State, though even there they are higher than anywhere else in the United States. In 1830, Thos. Gordon said of these lands:

"It would be difficult to calculate the advantages which the State has gained and will yet derive from the use of marl. It has already saved some districts from depopulation, and increased the inhabitants of others, and may one day contribute to convert the sandy and pine districts into regions of agricultural wealth."

In order to present more forcibly the fact of the vast change brought about in these waste lands by the use of marl—a change almost unparalleled in the history of agriculture—our author quotes the following from Morse's American Universal Geography, edition of 1819:

"The greater part, at least four-fifths of the six southern counties, or two-fifths of the whole State, are barren. They produce little else but shrub-oaks and yellow-pines. * * * * * The inhabitants raise a little maize, rye, and potatoes, but subsist chiefly by feeding cattle on the salt meadows, and by fishing on the shores and in the creeks and rivers."

The six counties alluded to are Monmouth (which then included Ocean), Burlington, Gloucester (which then included Camden and Atlantic), Salem, Cumberland, and Cape May. Our author then shows by the census report of 1860, *that at present the highest prices for land and the largest amount of agricultural products are from these very six southern counties and from those where marl is found.*

The Professor inclines to the belief that the great value of the marl is mainly owing to the phosphoric acid which it contains. It is probable, we think, that the large percentage of *clay* which some of the best marls contain adds not a little, by its retentiveness, to the benefits conveyed by this fertilizer to sandy and leachy soils. Large companies have been formed in different parts of South Jersey for the mining of this valuable product, which is furnished at $1 60 a tun of 20 bushels, delivered at any point on the Raritan and Delaware Bay Railroad. Scarcely second to the marl as a fertilizer are the vast deposits of muck found in this and the tertiary formations.

The tertiary and recent formations commence at the termination of the cretaceous system and repose directly on the upper marl beds. They extend thence to the ocean, and comprise the Counties of Ocean, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland, and Cape May, that is, the counties named in the census report above referred to, as those in which the land was the most valuable. The tertiary formation of New-Jersey consists largely of what Prof. Cook terms *drift, clay, and gravel.* Of it, he says:

The *drift clay* and gravel is found everywhere overlying the other beds. It is composed of loamy clay and pebbles of white quartz, silicified fossils, feldspathic rock, etc., with variable quantities of sand intermixed. The sand is of different degrees of fineness, and is usually quite reddish-yellow from the presence of oxide of iron. In some places, it is almost all sand, and in others it contains so much clay that it is a good brick earth, and in a few instances it is so pure a clay as to be used for fire-brick. This material is found everywhere on the higher grounds and covers a larger portion of the surface than any other. * * * * It can be seen in the excellent land a mile or two north of Tom's River; it is cut into in almost every ridge along the Raritan and Delaware Bay Railroad; it constitutes the hills and ridges between Cedar Bridge and Barnegat; it covers most of the high ground in the central part of the State; in Burlington County, almost every cutting on the line of the Camden and Atlantic Railroad exposes it. The railroad cut at Vineland is in it, and nearly the whole of the town is built on it. It can be seen everywhere along the road from Bridgeton to Millville, as well as in all the other roads going out of Bridgeton. And it is found in all parts of Cape May. Indeed, it is almost invidious to mention localities, when it is so abundant. It is an excellent material for roads—packing well, and giving a smooth, firm, and durable bed; and when it is well cultivated it forms a productive and retentive soil.

Directly under this drift formation is found a valuable glass sand of great purity, which is used in many manufactories for window-glass, without preparatory washing. This is underlaid by a miocene marl, followed by a micaceous sand, and that by a brown clay.

The recent formation consists of "a strip of country which fringes the Atlantic Ocean [from ?] Sandy Hook to Cape May, and then up the borders of Delaware Bay to Salem. It includes all the tide-marshes, the beaches, and that portion of the upland which borders the marsh, and is less than about 12 feet above high-water mark. This portion of the upland is usually only a fraction of a mile in width."

It is characterized by large areas of tide-marshes, composed of thick black muck bottom, sustaining a close vegetation of reeds and sedges, and wide stretches of fine beach, backed by dunes or sand-hills, and thick growths of timber. It is in the tertiary system that the vast areas of cranberry land which have added so much to the agricultural fame of New-Jersey are found. Prof. Cook says:

Cranberry cultivation is justly receiving a large share of attention from fruit-growers. Southern New-Jersey has a large area of land admirably adapted to the culture of this fruit. Already, our fields supply more than half of all raised in the United States, and only a small fraction of the land suitable for the cultivation of this fruit is yet improved. There is something astounding to the farmer in an account of the value of the cranberries raised on an acre. From 100 to 150 bushels an acre is an average crop, but 300 bushels have been raised. Four dollars a bushel is a common price for cranberries, but this year they are worth $8 a bushel; that is an average crop is worth $1,200 an acre. The grubbing, ditching, sanding, and planting of a cranberry meadow is expensive, costing from $300 to $1,000 an acre. But even at this price the profits are enormous."

Nothing could be more timely than the publication of this able and elaborate report. Public attention is being very much turned toward the lands of South Jersey, and authoritative and trustworthy information about them is much needed. Such information the present volume affords, and it is well worthy of the earnest consideration of all interested in the subject with which it deals. Not only the land prospector, but also the political economist, will find in its pages abundant food for thought. To make a closing quotation:

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WANTED—600 CANVASSERS, to canvass for the celebrated Home Washer, warranted the best in the market. Sale unlimited. Liberal inducements offered to first-class men. HOME MANUFACTURING Co., No. 12 Barclay-st.

WANTED—Three or four good DRESSMAKERS. Apply at No. 144 West Twenty-fifth-st.

WANTED—A man to write a scientific, smooth and taking pamphlet for a medical advertisement. Inclose sample of composition to J. D. W., Tribune Office.

To Whom it may Concern.

EXCISE NOTICE.—The undersigned will apply to the Metropolitan Board of Excise, on the 10th day of August, 1869, for a LICENSE to sell ALE and BEER only, at No. 11 Jackson-st., N. Y. MICHAEL WOODS.

CROTON AQUEDUCT DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF WATER RENTS, NEW-YORK, July 9, 1869.
NOTICE is hereby given, that FIVE PER CENT PENALTY will be added, on the first day of August next, on all unpaid Water Rents. WILLIAM H. McKINNEY, Water Registrar.

SURE CURE FOR DRUNKENNESS.—FOR $1 the undersigned will send a positive cure for drunkenness. Can be obtained anywhere, and let no cost. Money refunded in all cases where it does not do as represented. Address DR. J. R. CLARK, Box No. 2,242 N. Y. P. O.

Proposals.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, June 22, 1869.
PROPOSALS FOR REVENUE STEAM CUTTERS.—Proposals will be received at this Department until 12 m. Wednesday, the 21st day of July next, for the construction of four Revenue Steam Cutters of Wood or Iron, one Propeller and three Side-wheel. Specifications in detail will be furnished bidders on application in person or by letter to this Department, or to the Collectors of Customs at Boston, New-York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. Proposals should be sealed and addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, and indorsed on the envelope,
"Proposals for Building Revenue Steam Cutters."
GEO. S. BOUTWELL, Secretary of the Treasury.

REAL ESTATE.

NEW-YORK, Monday, July 12, 1869.

The first three months of the year witnessed an unusual activity in the real estate market. During the same period an extraordinary number of plans for new buildings were filed with the Superintendent of Buildings. Now, and for two months back, the daily lists of transfers and the weekly records of plans for new buildings have fallen greatly below the figures of last year. The inhabitants of our city have reason to deplore the small number of new dwellings which are annually erected in the extensive unoccupied regions of the three upper wards. High rents would naturally stimulate building, but their influence is counteracted by high prices of real estate, high taxes, high assessments, and the highly disagreeable and prolonged labor which it is necessary to undergo to make the daily trip to and from the said upper wards to the business part of the city. It is far from impossible that ten years from now New-York may have a smaller population than it has to-day.

Mr. H. L. Horton of New-York has bought the residence of Dr. F. Halleck at Fort Hill, N. J., together with 12 lots of land, for $20,000.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Commencing at a point distant 70 ft w of Cannon-st and 50 ft s of Stanton-st, 1.8x.9.... $40
Laurens-st, e s, 200 ft n of Houston-st, 50x100.... 32,500
Laurens-st, Nos 109 and 111, 40.1x90.8x40.1x95.4.... 38,300
Vandewater-st, No 40, 21.1x35.11x21.6x34.6.... 5,500
Worth-st, No 143, 22x90.... 17,000
9th-st, n s, 263 ft w of Avenue C, 50x92.5.... 2,500
13th-st, n s, 416.6 ft w of 5th-ave, 16.6x[illegible].... 14,500
23d-st, n s, 275.24 ft w of 5th ave, 24.8x[illegible].... 40,000
49th-st, n s, 137.6 ft w of 9th-ave, 18.9x[illegible].... 8,585
52d-st, n s, 350.6 ft w of Avenue A, 25x102.2.... 2,000
9th-ave, w s, 216 ft s of 22d-st, 27.10x[illegible].... Nominal
9th-ave, w s, bet 41st and 42d sts, 1 block, by 133.11x140.3x204.4.... 4th part } Nominal
9th-ave, s w cor of 41st-st, 37.8x[illegible]x[illegible]x123.... }
9th-ave, e s, bet 41st and 42d-sts, 1 block, by 425.... }

LEASES RECORDED.

Prince-st, No 102, 2 years and 10 months.... $500
3d-ave, w s, 205 ft s of 9th-st, 20x70, 5 years, per annum.... 1,200

KINGS COUNTY—BROOKLYN.

Boerum-st, s s, 125 ft w of Monroe-st, 25x100.... $2,600
Bergen-st, n s, 205.5 w of Flatbush-ave, 25x72x28x64.... 7,000
Floyd-st, n s, 160 ft w of Tompkins-ave, 100x100.... 4,400
Grove-st, n s, 150 ft w of Cypress-ave, 50x100.... 650
Huron and Washington-sts, s w cor, 50x100.... 2,225
Jackson-st, s s, 300 ft w of Tompkins-ave, 20x100.... 5,500
Jerolemon-st, n s, 93 10 w of Clinton-st, 25x110.... 25,000
Jefferson-st, s s, 175 ft w of Earnest-st, 50x100.... }
Gates-ave, s s, Lots 143 to 147, J. & A. DeBevoise map.... } 10,000
Lots 162 to 176, same map (1 part).... }
Lorriner-st, w s, 82 ft n of Stagg-st, 20x60x24x76.11.... 4,000
Morrell-st, w s, 75 ft s of Scholes-st, 25x100.... 4,200
Madison-st, s s, 150.10 ft s of Bay-ste, —x100x131.9.... 300
Maidenwood-st, n s, 250 ft e of Stuyvesant-ave, 25x100.... 4,500
Stockton-st, s s, 275 ft w of Tompkins-ave, 25x100.... 600
Union-st, n s, 69.4 e of Hoyt-st, 19.8x100.... 6,050
Willow-st, n s, 100 ft w of Cypress-ave, 25x100.... 250
Willow-st, n s, 100 ft w of Cypress-ave, 25x100.... 400
Whitlock-st, n s, 229.2 ft e of Bergen and C. Plank-road, 50x125.... 250
Wilson-st, n s, 125 ft w of Bushwick-ave, 2 x100.... 250
North 9th-st, s s, 200 ft e of 2d-st, 16.8x100.... 2,700
North 9th-st, s s, 100 ft e of 2-st, 16.8x100.... 2,700
Cypress-ave and Grove-st, n w cor, 50x100.... 850
Flushing-ave, w s, 144 ft w of Broadway, 21.4x75.8x23.4x64.2.... 7,200
Grand-ave, w s, 308 ft s of Gates-ave, 18x100.... 6,500
Norman-ave, n s, 29 ft w of Rockwood-st, 29x100.... 1,400
Seigel-ave, e s, 100 ft s of Bushwick-ave, 20x100.... 450
Willoughby and Vanderbilt-aves, n w cor, 40.10x116.5x40x124.7.... 5,400
Lots Nos. 3 and 4, block No. 40, J. H. Sackman's map.... 1,300
Lots Nos. 74 and 102, J. A. Wallace's map.... 2,050
Lots Nos. 121 and 122, map of Bellepiain.... 400
Tayloe-st, n s, 93.7 ft e of Kent-ave, 20x80.... 4,000
Thames-st, n s, 175 ft e of Bogardus, 19x100x18x100.... 1,700

NEW-JERSEY—ESSEX COUNTY—NEWARK.

Bank-st, n s, Hedges prop, 20x146.... $5,500
Mechanic-st, w s, 55 ft from Browning-st, 2x190.... 1,355
Richmond-st, e s, Fulcher prop, 25x80.... 4,000
Thomas-st, s s, 66 ft from Mulberry-st, 2x98.... 2,000
William, cor of Washington-st, 5x[illegible].... 10,500
Washington-st, w s, Hedges prop, 26x110.... } 17,000
Elizabeth-ave, e s, 250 ft from Mill-st, 50x100.... }

HUDSON COUNTY—JERSEY CITY.

North 4th-st, n s, 125 ft e of 1st-st.... $2,000
South 10th-st, s s, 225 ft e of Newkirk-st, 25x100.... 2,500
Lots Nos 11, 12, block No 245, South 6th-st, n s.... 5,500

HOBOKEN.

Garden-st, e s, 133 ft n of 8th-st, 33x60.... $1,500
Meadow-st, e s, 21 ft s of 8th-st, 11x60.... 200
Lots Nos 12, 14, block No 50, Cooper estate, 50x100.... 1,400

BERGEN.

Carterstreet and Vreeland-st, cor of 100x245.... $7,500
Palisade-ave, e s, near Highland, 50x175.... 5,000
Parkst, w s, lots No 25, 26, near Newark-ave, 50x100.... 2,000
Lots Nos 23, 26, 27, 29, block No 10, West Bergen map, 100x100.... 5,000
Lots Nos 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, block No 7, Slaight prop.... 4,000

UNION.

Bergen-ave, e s, 1 50-100 acres of Jesse H Browne prop.... $9,000

HARRISON.

4th-st, n s, 25 ft s of Sussex-st, 20x100.... $450

All who have real estate for sale or to let, and those desiring to purchase or rent such property, will find it to their interest to advertise in THE TRIBUNE. Its aggregate circulation exceeds that of any other newspaper, and in addition to this advantage THE TRIBUNE will be found, not only in New-York and all its cities and villages, but in every State and Territory throughout the Union. The advertisement should be as brief as will allow of the advantages claimed, being made clear to the reader. We would especially dwell on the fact that the subscribers for the