## LANEASTER ENTERPRISE.

Our Watch and Jewery! Reparn Deartment


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Lancaster, C. H. ., C., Feb. 1, Is98.


## Fertilizer Making. <br> At this season of the year we receive more inquiries in regard to the mixing and using of ertil izers than about any one sulject. We answer the same or simila questions over and over again Which suzgests the suspicion that some of our subscribers do not read this department closely un less they are lookine for

 swer to a question they them-selves have asked. and we now repeat the sugges. the Farm and Farmers depart ment shall carefully file the pa
per, or this page at least, for ful ture references. We occasional ty refer an inquirer to a recen ed. This we are enable to do be cause we keep always in easy indexed.)
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A "complete" fertilizer, com monly indicated hy the term guano," contains all three of The elements of plant food it
which our soils are more or less deficient. These three element are phosphoric acid, potash and
nitrogen (ammonia) Phos nitrogen (ammonia). Phosphoric
acid is considered the most im portant because ordinary soils are most deficient in this elemen: and lastly potash. All these ele ments are contained in stable ma nure, but the latter generally con tains more nitrogen than phos. phoric acid and generally more potash. Hence stable manure is classed a nitrogenious manure Cotton seed and cotton meal al so contain all three elements, but a still larger proportion of nitro cen; therefore these substances
especially cotton meal, are also
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classed as nitrogenous. Dried blood is also a valuable
ource of nitrogen, being atout twice as rich as cotton meal. Nitrate of soda is
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are the chief reliance of the man whacturers of commercial fertili zers. The larger lactories make
the sulphuric acid, which is used phate into acid phosphate. This making of sulphuric acid and dis
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$\qquad$ , or tankage, or cotton seed meal, or some of each, and some it and mixes it well, sacks it brands on it "Soluabie Pacific Guano," or "Cossypium Phos pho," or "Gold Dust," or any one of the hundreds of nanses, and
sells it to the waitini farmer at $\$ 15$ or $\$ 20$ or $\$ 22$ a ton. He has a large building, heavy machin ery, a president and secretary and clerks and book keepers and ravelling agents and engineer and superintendents and perhaps a fine city office and other sala ies and expenses to meet. The manufacturer must have severa dollars profit on the actual cost per ton of the ingredients in or der to live and grow rich. We don't blame him. if he acts square ly and honestly, and we believe most all of them do.
But an intelligent farmer can do his own "mixing" at a greatly less cost-we are certain. The farmer need not mix so carefully he need not sack it, nor brand it it does not have to pass inspec tion; it will answer his purpose practically just as well as if mix ed in a $\$ 1,000$ mixer, under the direction of a $\$ 2,000$ superinten dent and a $* 5,000$ president, ets
Let farmers buy acid phosphate and muriate of potash (or kainit
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## Pork Sausage

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