

# STUDYING WASTE OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NATIONAL CONSERVATIVE COMMISSION MAKES PUBLIC ITS FIRST SCHEDULE

## WATERS, FORESTS AND LANDS

Lands Are Wasted by Erosion, and by Bad Agricultural Methods, and Water Power is Lost to an Alarming Extent, it is Said.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12.—The national conservation commission has just made public the first of its schedules on which the inventory of the country's natural resources is being conducted. It is plainly evident from the inquiries being sent out that the commission intends to run down waste in all its varied forms and to devise some means to prevent it. This is apparent in the general schedules to each of the four sections of the commission—waters, forests, lands, and minerals.

For instance, the schedule rating to lands enquires into waste of soil by erosion. That schedule also suggests waste through "bad agricultural methods." The lands schedule likewise goes into waste in the carrying capacity of the public range in the west. The section on waters is inquiring into how much land capable of irrigation is wasted by not being irrigated. More important still is its suggestive inquiries tending to show that we are wasting our water ways to an alarming extent by not using them as we should; perhaps the greatest form of waste brought out in the entire schedule is that relating to waterpower. Two of the inquiries are as follows:

"Are existing developed waterpowers put to their full use? To what extent can coal be saved by the substitution of water power?"

Under the head of floodwaters, the commission enquires as "To what extent are floodwaters wasted?"

The minerals section of the commission is seeking to find out "The nature and extent of waste in the mining, extraction and use of mineral products," and "Methods of preventing or lessening this waste."

The commission is also conducting a census by correspondence to find out the common wastes in the "Wood using industries."

The returns from the inquiries will form part of the report of the conservation commission.

### SYSTEMATIC SEARCH.

Organized By Yale Man To Find Son Ex-Governor Andrews.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—In an effort

to find Charles Wilson Andrews, son of the late Charles B. Andrews, Governor, and later chief justice of the Supreme Court of Connecticut, Yale men of this city are making a canvass of the United States and Canada. He was last seen here about February 11, when he left the Hotel Breslin, since which time neither his Yale comrades nor his invalid mother, who lives in Litchfield, Conn., have heard anything from him. At the time he was suffering from rheumatism which induced melancholia. His friends believe he is wandering about the country and avoiding them that they may not be bothered by his troubles. According to the plan mapped out, the members of Mr. Andrews' classes in the university and the law school in this city and members of their classes and the Yale men generally, asking that they use every effort to find Mr. Andrews and care for him until his family can be notified. The work has been done quietly and though the police have been asked to help, the only notices sent out were confidential ones.

### BATHS VERSUS BOOKS.

Moral Influence Of Cleanliness Exceeds That of Literature.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Dr. W. H. Maxwell, city superintendent of schools, speaking at the American museum of Natural History last night before the Playgrounds Association of America, declared that the usefulness to the city is point of morality of the Carnegie public libraries was small compared with that which would accrue from a comprehensive system of public baths.

"As I draw books for myself from a Carnegie library and watch the children of the public schools go there for reading matter," said he, "I bless the great iron master for what he has done for the intellectual improvement and recreation for this city and yet the usefulness from a moral and hygienic point of view of the Carnegie libraries is small compared with the advantages that would flow from the benevolence of him who shall increase the number of public school baths."

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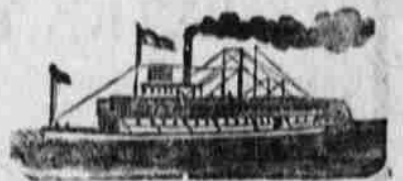
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