### Lime-Sulphur---Its Use as a Fungicide and an Insecticide

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(Seventh installment.) The Sediment.

In making up a lime-sulphur wash there is always more or less sediment which, on settling, accumu- when dilutions are made for summer lates on the bottom of the cooker. spraying. Two solutions may look This sediment is composed, for the exactly alike and yet differ widely most part, of uncombined lime and in density so that an accurate methsulphur as well as insoluble com- od must be based primarily on the pounds derived from the lime and density of the particular limesulphur and of various impurities of combined sulphur in the sediment is obtain the density of the diluted on the lots comprising the O. & C. largely calcium sulphite (CaSO3) spray rather than base the dilution, townsite. with small amounts of calcium sulphate (CaSO4) which increases with the length of boiling. As has been shown before, this comes largely from the change of calcium thio-sulphate (CaS2O3) into calcium sulphite. When the lime-sulphur is properly made the amount of sediment left in the strainer is insignificant and may be thrown away. However, when the quantity is large and there is a considerable amount of free sulphur present it should not be thrown away but should be vetained and mixed with another batch. If the sediment is not largely sulphur, its value is questionable. Some have added it to the dissolved lime and sulphur using it as a marker; by a marker is meant something which will, after drying, show on the tree. At this point it is well to causulphur not to use too much lime in making up the spray for the purpose use of excess lime always results in producing a less amount of the higher sulphides, and should, therefore, be gnarded against in weighing out the lime and sulphur. Never guess at weights. The practice of measuring by bulk is not weighing. Effect of Adding Lime to Diluted Lime-Sulphur Solution.

The practice of diluting a concentrated lime-sulphur and then adding a quantity of slaked lime just before applying the mixture to the trees is common. The object of adding that the Beaume hydrometer will the lime is, of course, to make the spray show up on the trees. Some growers feel that there should be body enough to the spray so that it may be seen after it has dried on the trees. A chemical study of lime-sulphur to which lime has been added before spraying on the trees has shown that the amount of sulphur in the form of sulphides is decreased to a considerable extent. It has also been shown that the quantity of thissulphate is increased when lime is added and we would naturally expect this, since the polysulphides, namely, tetra-sulphide of calcium (CaS4) and pentasulphide of calcium (CaS5) are decreased. Free sulphur also increases as the result of the breaking down of the higher sulphides. It has been mentioned before that the view is generally held (CaS5) is the most effective compound in the lime-sulphur wash for destroying insects, and, since this is true, any treatment of the limesulphur which would tend to lower the quantity of this compound should be avoided. It is quite possible, when a lime-sulphur wash is treated with lime before being applied to the tree. Only the lower sulphides, if any, together with calcium thiosuiphate (CaS203), calcium sulphite ter is that a body floating in a liquid (CaSO3), calcium sulphate (CaSO4) and free sulphur may be found in the solution,

If the lime used to mix with the commercial lime-sulphur solution is Gravity hydrometer when immersed a magnesium lime the results are in water will not sink so deep in a also unfavorable. The magnesium liquid which is heavier than water lime does not form sulphides, but it tends to decompose and decrease the amount of calcium polysulphides already in the solution, and, as we have seen before, in doing this hydrogen sulphide (H2S) is formed and sulphur is lost through the formation of this compound which escapes as that the liquid is one and one-third

The Process of Dilution.

obtained, or home-made, cannot be Tribune Wants,

used as made and must, therefore, be diluted. It is essential that a definite method of solution be followed. Any guess work in dilution is sure to result unsatisfateorily, especially so or number of dilutions, on the density on the market that do not come up boundaries. to the guarantee as stated on the la-

density of a lime-sulphur solution new Medford Hotel is being erected, above the written guarantee, and were priced at \$110 for the two. The while this is commendable, showing present valuation of them 's somehonesty in the manufacture of the where above \$15,000. brand, it is just as important to know the exact density where we may avenue and Fifth street, recently ofbe working on a narrow margin as fered to the Federal government as in the case of summer spraying. A a site for the new post office buildslight additional strength of mix- ing for the sum of \$12,000 were purture might mean the burning of deli- chaseable in 1900 for \$350. cate foliage, which means, often, the loss of a crop,

Accurate dilution is very simple tion those who make their own lime aid of a hydrometer having a Specific Gravity scale. Unfortunately, the hydrometer which is most used of having it show up on the tree. The is the Beaume. This instrument does not give the density except in a relative way since the scale is entirely about \$5,000. arbitrary. Besides the Beaume there are a number of others, but all of them should be discarded including the Beaume, The Beaume hydroto be zero, and a liquid twice as that cash figures as the consideraheavy as water is taken at 76 de- tion in most of the deals. grees. The difference between different degrees on the Beaume scale is ont constant, and, therefore, there is no way of calculating from it actual densities. It is to be hoped

soon be discarded and the Specific Gravity hydrometer, which gives actual densities, substituted. As stated before, a hydrometer is an instrument for determining densities of liquids either heavier or lighter than water. The instrument is constructed of glass and consists of three parts; first, the upper part or stem of uniform diameter upon which graduations are marked; second, a bulb or enlargement of the tube; third, a small bulb at the bottom containing shot or mercury which causes the instrument to float in a vertical position. The point at which the instrument floats in water depends upon the temperature of the water, but a certain temperature is assumed for each hydrometer and the point on the stem to which it sinks in the water is marked "1" on the Specific that the pentasulphide of calcium Gravity scale. If it is to be a Beaume instrument the point marked "0." Now, if some salt or other substance has been dissolved in the water, the hydrometers will no longer stand at "0" or "1" but will tend to rise to some other point on the scale. This point on the Beaume scale will read so many "detrees, that very little calcium penta- Gravity scale it will read "l" plus some lar line of goods. The work genergrees Beaume," while on the Specific fraction which will represent the ac- ally is compiled to meet the wants of fion. The principle of the hydrome-

> body. Therefore, a hydrometer which sinks to "I" on the Specific

the buoyant effort of the denser many times heavier than water a at the Nash hotel, liquid is. For instance, if the Spe-

will displace a quantity of water

equal to the weight of the floating

cific Gravity hydrometer sinks to the point 1.333 on the scale it indicates times as heavy as water.

The lime-sulphur as commercially Try a Little Liner in the Mail

## Our Correspondents

CENTRAL POINT ITEMS

bread, calles and etc.

and also inspected the orchards in ed.

wife, Mr. Hoke and party, Henry converts.

Warner, were Medford visitors Mon-

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. J. F. Williams is repairing the church will have a bargain day sale local telephone system here, by putat the Quality Store, Saturday, fresh ting up new poles, rewiring and etc.

Our orchard and ranch men are Deputy Game Warden C. B. Gay- very busy now, the good weather alwas in town Monday on business. lowing them to resume work in all J. W. Myers and his Deputies in- departments. Their were calls for spected a car load of trees Monday labor Monday that could not be fill-

The revival meetings at the M. E. Mr. Hubbard and Miss Hubbard, church are still going on. The good Mrs. J. W. Myers, A. C. Frier and work is progressing nicely with some

## LOCAL REALTY PRICES IN 1900

Prices Originally Asked by the O. & C. Railroad for What Is Now Down Town Property Discovered in S. P. Files-Great Increase.

While delving through the old files in the Southern Pacific depot this morning, Agent A. S. Rosenbaum unearthed letters of instruction, dated sulphur solution that is being dilut- 1900 and addressed to J. S. Howard.

This property, which now comof the concentrate as stated on the prises the entire downtown portion container. It is unlawful to misbrand of Medford, could have been bought fungicides or insecticides, but, nev- then for a sum which would not now ertheless, we do find some of them touch many of the blocks within its

According to the document, lots 10 bel. Very often, too, we find the and 11 in block 78, upon which the

Two lots on the corner of Central

Three lots west of the present Hafer residence could have been bought then for \$160, while now it and easily accomplished with the is not likely that \$6,000 would hand-

> Block 7, upon which is now located the Watt residence, could have bleeding or procruding piles in 6 to been purchased for \$300. This parcel 14 d.ys or money refunded, 50c. of Wintergreen, Thymol, and other is estimated now as being worth

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A team composed of Bachelors descore of 2358 to 2205; Both teams lery, rolled good games, the honors for The range to be shot over is the the lime, principally magnesium. The ed. It would even be advisable to then agent here, placing the values individual plays being devided one to small target range over w. ich the each team with G. Sooy-Smith of regular weekly matches are held. diets, high average with 175.

The match was the outcome of : league. The Natatorium Specials management for them. Separate carried off the honors there so in prizes of cut glass and china pieces order to change the line-ups, the will be posted for ladies shooting ovteams that rolled last night were er other ranges,

the totals being 805,765 and 788, for of 24 out of a possible 25. the Bachelors and 678,764,763 for the Maried Men.

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the Bachelors high man with 208. The prize shoot is open to all while Robert W. Telfer of the Bene-comers and in order to give women number of games played by the city March 1st, has been set aside by the

The prize for last week was car Three games were played last night ried off by Gns Stimson, with a scor

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