

MARL found by F.J. BOOHER

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New Ross, Oct 17 - FJ Booher has discovered a valuable deposit of marl on his farm, west of town. He has sent samples of the deposit to Purdue experimental station for analysis and the tests show 61 per cent calcium carbonate. Purdue recommends it highly for fertilizer and for innoculating land preparatory to showing alfalfa. This deposit consists of more than one-half acre in extent and Mr. Booher dug down 10' and did not reach the bottom of it. For many years this was an impenetrable swamp of elbow bushes and the water would stand 3' deep over it all summer, and was a roost for birds of all descriptions. It is to be hoped that it will be ? here in innoculating the land for alfalfa culture which is sure to become the leading forage of the country. It is also valuable for wheat fertilizer. - kbz