| SOI   | L IV.—CORAL.  | SO  | IL V.—CHALK. |
|---|---------------|---|--------------|
| Completely soluble in dilute acetic { acid. (1 to 4.) | I. IV.—CORAL. | SOIL V.—CHALK.    Hygroscopic water. 18:134 |              |
|   |               | acid.<br>(1 to 4.)                          | Soda         |
|   | 102:324       |   | 102.478      |

## EXHAUSTED AND FERTILE SOILS.

Analyses of Soil from Plot 3 and Plot 2 of the Experimental Farm of Lawes and Gilbert, at Rothamsted. By Herman and Liebig.

PLOT 3.—An exhausted soil, having grown wheat thirty successive years without manure, corn and straw being carried off. (The permanently unmanured plot.)

PLOT 2.—A fertile soil. This has also grown wheat thirty successive years. The corn and straw have been carted off, and it has been highly manured each year with farm-yard manure.

| SURFACE SOIL (Top nine inches).   |                                  | PLOT 3.                        | PLOT 2.                     |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   | Constituents Estimated.          | Exhausted<br>Soil<br>Per Cent. | Fertile<br>Soil<br>Per Cent |
|   | ( Hygroscopic water              | 1.825                          | 1.810                       |
|   | Organic substance                | 5.363                          | 6.212                       |
|   | Silicic acid                     | 0.065                          | 0.084                       |
| Soluble in dilute acetic acid.  | Oxide of iron and alumina        | 0.100                          | 0.116                       |
|   | Lime                             | 2.065                          | 1.785                       |
|   | Magnesia                         | 0.028                          | 0.025                       |
|   | Potash                           | 0.015                          | 0.041                       |
|   | Soda                             | 0.012                          | 0.019                       |
|   | Sulphuric acid                   | Traces                         | 0.008                       |
|   | Phosphoric acid (in nitric acid) | 0.075                          | 0.093                       |
|   | C Silicic acid                   | 0.369                          |                             |
|   | Oxide of iron and alumina        | 4.363                          |                             |
| Soluble in dilute<br>hydrochloric acid<br>after the solution<br>in acetic acid. | Lime                             | 0.233                          |                             |
|   | Magnesia                         | 0.064                          |                             |
|   | Potash                           | 0.070                          |                             |
|   | Soda                             | 0.054                          |                             |
|   | Sulphuric acid                   | 0.015                          |                             |