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THE law creating this Department (see page 211) requires the Commissioner to prepare, under his direction, a Hand-Book of the State, and specifies that it shall contain a description of the geological formation of the various Counties of the State, the general adaptation of the Soil for the various productions of the Temperate Zone, and for the purpose of giving a more general and careful estimate of the capacity and character of the soil of the Counties, with a correct analysis of the same.

These special features, thus required, in addition to the usual contents of a Hand-Book, can not be fully furnished until the State Geologist shall have completed his survey.

The outline of the geological and physical features of the State, with a description of the principal Rocks and the Soils derived from them, a description and analysis of some of the Marls, the Elevations, Water-powers, and a partial account of the Natural Productions of the State, both mineral and vegetable, are furnished by Dr. George Little, State Geologist, in charge of the Geological Survey now in progress.

In the preparation of this Hand-Book, two objects have been kept constantly in view:

1. To supply the people of Georgia with correct information of their own State, its condition, resources, and institutions.
2. To supply Immigrants, actual and prospective, with accurate and reliable information on those subjects connected with Georgia in which it is believed they will feel a special interest.

The facts in regard to the various Institutions of the State have been furnished mainly by their officers or representatives. It has been necessary to omit much interesting and valuable information, on account of the numerous subjects to be presented, and to prevent swelling the volume to too great a size.

THOMAS P. JAMES,
Commissiomer of Agriculture.

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