



## Farmer s Bulletin: The Preservative Treatment of Farm Timbers (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Excerpt from Farmer s Bulletin: The Preservative Treatment of Farm Timbers It will readily be seen, therefore, that any reasonably cheap method of increasing their life will effect a material saving to the user. For a number of years the Forest Service has been conducting experiments on the preservative treatment of fence posts, poles, and other forms of timber exposed to decay. These experiments have been made in cooperation with agricultural experiment stations, farmers, and various companies, and also upon the National Forests. They have proved conclusively that when a suitable preservative treatment is given the resistance of wood to decay can be very much increased. Decay. Decay is not due to the chemical action of the soil or to the fermentation of the sap, but is the result of the action of certain low forms of plant life called fungi. These consist, for the most part, of very fine thread-like filaments, collectively called mycelium, which penetrate the wood in all directions. Certain substances in the wood constitute the food of the fungi. As these substances are...



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