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THE CONTROL OF SOIL MOISTURE

It seems almost ridiculous to talk about conserving soil moisture at this season, when the land is supersaturated from recent heavy rains and the melting of a winter's heavy snowfall, yet this is the season when much can be accomplished to aid in preventing this water from running off, soaking away, or being evaporated and lost to the crop. If our soils were not what is often termed "too wet," crops would not be as heavy as they usually are. The land must absorb and retain considerable of this water, else the crop must suffer before it matures, as only about half the amount of moisture falls during the growing season that our common cereals require.

The soil is the source of practically all the water taken in by plants. Only when plants are in a wilted condition have they any power of taking in moisture through their leaves and stems. Very few of the common farm crops contain in their green and growing state less than 75 per cent water. The very fact that the plants themselves are so largely composed of this material, makes it important that plenty of it be always available during the period of growing. Water is also a source of plant food, for it is by this that the soluble plant food of the soil is carried up into the plant, there to be used in building up tissue as the moisture is transpired from the leaves. The more water there is in the soil, the more will be evaporated from the leaves, and the stronger the upward flow of plant-food-laden moisture, the more rapid growth of the plant. Of course, it is well known that plants do not grow well in a saturated soil, and experiments have shown that the optimum water content for plant-growth is somewhere between forty and sixty per cent, probably about fifty per cent, but few soils contain anything approaching this amount during the midsummer months. It is necessary that steps be taken to assist the soil in holding the water.

Cultivation is the first method usually employed to place the soil in condition to hold water, yet very few of those engaged in soil cultivation think of this as one of the prime objects of their operations. We know that, the finer the soil particles, the greater the soil's capacity for retaining water. Each soil particle is surrounded by a film of water. The greater the number of particles, the greater the amount of water in the soil. A fine seed-bed is of great importance. Every extra stroke of the cultivator or the harrow adds to the water-holding capacity of the soil.

The mere fact that more surface is exposed in fine soil is not the only effect which serves to aid in moisture retention. A layer of finely-pulverized soil on top serves as a mulch, checking evaporation, the most constant means of loss. Evaporation, from a bare, saturated soil is greater than from a water-surface. Evaporation is much more rapid from a loose, friable soil than from a compact one. This can be proven by the fact that soil ridged up in the fall dries much more quickly in the spring than soil left over winter in the compact state. Here, again, is an argument against deep spring tillage, and in favor of the shallower cultivation, forming a mulch. This mulch cannot be retained with grain crops, but frequent stirring of the soil keeps it in action on soils being used for hoed crop or summer fallow.

Well-rotted farmyard manure or green manuring is an effective means of increasing the water-holding capacity, as it increases the percentage of humus in the soil, and humus is the greatest of soil constituents, when moisture retention is considered. This is a strong argument for barnyard manure and the plowing down of green crops.

Underdrainage of wet soils is another method of increasing the water-holding capacity of the soil. It lowers the water-table, allows the plant roots to descend deeper to this water, aerates, pulverizes and improves the soil and saves a great amount of water that would otherwise be lost by evaporation for the use of the growing crop when it needs it most. Water is an essential to plant growth, and must be retained in the soil for the use of the crop throughout the entire growing season.—Farmers' Advocate.

A peculiar accident resulting in the destruction of the auto of Geo. Turner of near Brucefield happened on Tuesday afternoon. The machine had just been backed out of the garage, says the Clinton Record, and had been cranked up by Mrs. Turner, who is an expert driver, when in some manner it took fire and in a short time everything about it that would burn went up in smoke. The six-gallon tank had previously been filled with gasoline so that the neighbors, who had been attracted by the blaze, stood afar off fearing an explosion; Fortunately, however, the gasoline had pretty much dribbled away, so as it happened there was no occasion for alarm. The auto had been rebuilt this season.—Lucknow Sentinel.

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SUASION AND FORCE.

I believe in teaching men, teaching them with voice and pen, that the honest way's the best to get the kate; but the man of active jaw says there ought to be a law, and he wants to see his neighbors put in jail. I believe in showing boys, that the purest sanest joys are the joys that do not leave them feeling stale; but my neighbor Jodas Yawp, blows a whistle for the cop, and is happy when he sees the boys in jail. If a man commits a crime I believe it wasted time when we ride him through the village on a rail; better teach him what is right—but old Jonas takes delight when he sees the malefactor rushed to jail. I can watch the rich man float in his gilded palaces, and can wish him happy zephyrs on his sail; but old Jonas sees him go, with a bitter wail of woe, crying loudly: "All the rich should be in jail." We are trying, one and all, to improve this muddy ball, and I surely hope our efforts will not fail; but I don't believe we'll make noble progress till we shake this old foolishness of sending men to jail. Oh, I don't believe it well to herd people in a cell till they're hardened in their sins—without the pale; let us try to lead men back when they've jumped the shining track, for you can't reform the guy who rots in jail.—Walt Mason.

A TRYING MOMENT.

A fierce electrical storm accompanied by rain passed over this district on Sunday night and put the electric lights out of business here for about ten minutes. At the time the lights went out Drs Johnston of Midland and Brown of Victoria Harbor, were in the midst of an operation on a young man at the Midland hospital for appendicitis. The incision had been made, and Dr. Brown had hold of the appendix and Dr. Johnston the knife when the lights went out and for ten minutes the two surgeons stood in black darkness and terrible suspense, unable to move, awaiting the restoration of the lights. The patient's life was in their hands, and owing to the ether in use, a lamp was out of the question so there was nothing to do but wait. It must have been a trying ordeal enough to shake the nerves of the strongest men. When the lights came on the physicians looked at each other and their faces were like marble. The operation was resumed and concluded with perfect success, but it was doubtless an experience of which neither doctors will wish for a repetition.—Midland Free Press.

A big fish story is to hand already, and of course it is true. Mr. N. Kloefer caught the fish, a grand old trout 18½ inches long which weighed 3½ lbs. on A. Jamieson's scales. The size of the fish is out of all proportion to the stream in which it was caught—Bowman's, in Egremont.—Mt. Forest Rep.

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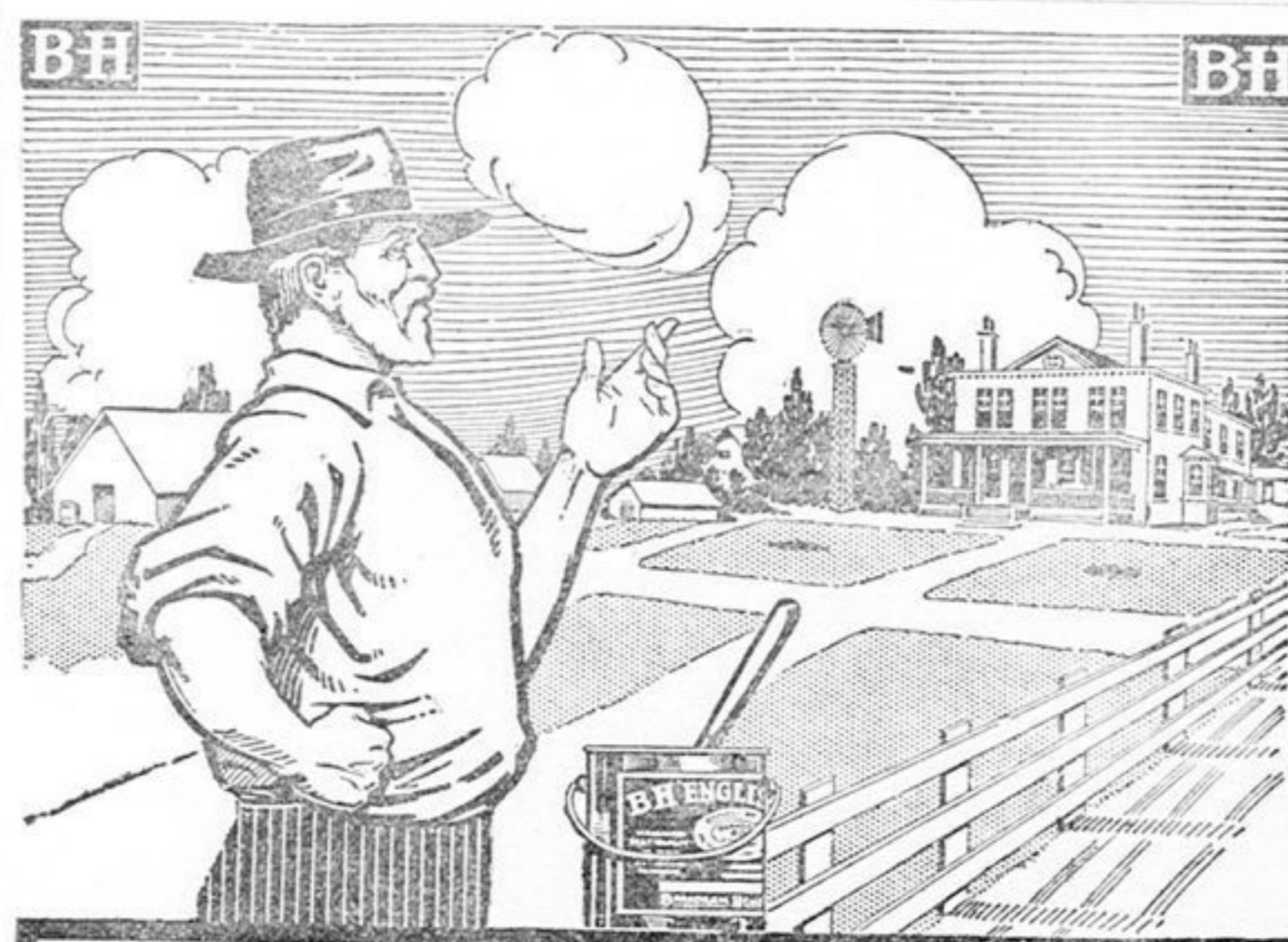
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