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A correspondent of the Country Gentleman writes: Leaks are the commonest things in farm work. Blunders, mismanagement and miscalculations always cause a leak. A crop not put in on time or not cultivated at the right time, a field plowed to wet, or a crop neglected and not saved at the right time, constitute our most common leaks. I have heard farmers say that they were losing money by not having a team cultivating corn. There is a leak that cannot always be avoided. But many occur that can be avoided, and no farmer is doing his best unless attempts are made to avoid them.

The most important thing on any farm is enough teams. Abundant team help gets the crop in on time, and the grain secured in a hurry when ready to draw in. Every farm of 80 acres should have no less than five good horses, one of which should be a good driver and used for that purpose only when there is hay to rake or corn or potatoes to cultivate, when the driver may be used to advantage. In haying, there should be a team to draw, one to mow and a horse for the tedder and rake. Then things can move right along, and may stop a leak by saving the hay from being spoiled.

Work teams can be mostly fed on clover hay, which is worth, usually, more for the manure made than it brings in the market. So the cost of hay can be counted as nothing. With plenty of teams and good clover hay, very little grain may be fed; so here is another saving.

Tools that cut wide sweeps across the field, with three or four horses to draw them, instead of one man at each team, are desirable. I have seen one man riding a roller all day in the same field. Why not put both teams on the roller and fasten the drag behind? Then one man can do the work of two and not be tired out when the comes, from walking all day over plowed ground. Fasten to drags side by side and put teams enough on to draw them, so that every time you go round a field 80 rods long you have more than an acre done. Thirty bouts would mean 15 miles travel, and thirty acres dragged over. This is better than two men following round the same field and accomplishing no more.

More teams doubled up mean less hired help. Arrange it so that the men ride whenever possible. Then a boy—or an old man with only one leg, for that matter—can do as much dragging or rolling as the best athlete, after the team is hitched up and he is on the seat. Then in large fields, that are free from stumps and stones, the riding-plow that turns two furrows comes in play.

After having all these good tools they should be taken care of, kept well-housed, and painted when needed. If tools are kept well protected from the weather, they will not need painting very often. How many times have I seen a new two-horse cultivator standing out in the corn until the corn is as grown so high that it was lost sight of! It was left out at night; a big rain came that made the ground too wet,

and when it was dry enough, other work began to crowd—so the cultivator was forgotten. Now, why not take the cultivator to the barn every night? Then you can ride to and from the field, and no more gates have to be opened for the cultivator than for the team alone.

Another important leak is stopped in the way of saving seed, especially seed-corn. Too many go to the crib in the spring to get seed-corn. While they do not scoop it up, but hunt round for the nicest and best ears they do not get as good seed as when saved at husking-time, and if there has been a hard winter, the corn may have been injured by freezing. Last year we put our seed-corn in bushel crates, and set the first one on a barrel, and then stood others on top of this one as high as they could stand well. The crates were filled from the first husking and set in an open shed. By being put on a barrel, mice or chickens could not reach it, and it was well cured and dried out before cold weather set in. It remained in these crates till ready to shell for planting. I always test my seed before planting, waiting till a few days before time to plant, so as to have the conditions as nearly alike as may be. I level a small place on the ground, put 100 grains of corn on it, cover it with a cloth, put a couple of inches of earth over the cloth, then pour on water enough to dampen. In four or five days I raise the cloth, and the corn can be easily examined. After being in the crates last winter, the test showed that the 99 kernels of the 100 had good healthy sprouts. The other kernel had been injured in some way or it would have grown. I set the planter to drop three or four grains, and had a good stand all over the field, except where it was drowned out afterwards.

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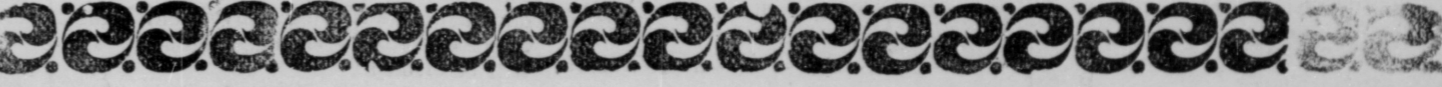
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