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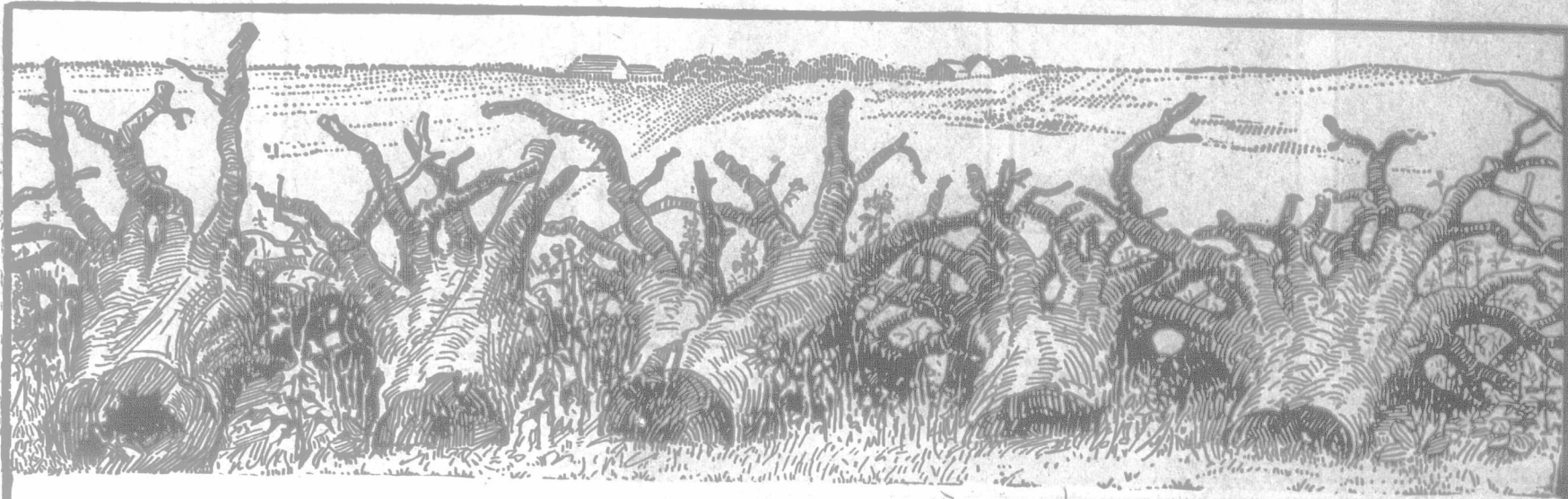
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Farmers Being Robbed by Stump and Snake Fences

Why go to the bother of plowing up the mustard, twitch grass, thistles, burdock and other weeds that afflict your fields if you leave them the safe refuge provided by the old snake or stump fence?

In the corners and recesses of these old fences the weeds grow and breed, and their seeds blow into your wheat, barley and oat crops, and into all your fields.

The only way to ensure clean fields is to do away with these breeding places—these old snake and stump fences—that are robbing the farmers of Canada of hundreds of thousands of dollars each year.

Haul away that old fence of yours and sell it for firewood.

Put up a Frost Wire Fence—a fence of which you will be proud—a fence that provides no breeding place for weeds.

You can plow up to nine inches from a Frost Fence, and you can use the scythe or hoe right under the lowest wire. You can get right at the roots of the weed evil.

A neat, attractive Frost Fence—the fence of quality—will also improve the appearance of your farm, and make it more valuable.

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The Damage Weeds Do

This authentic information is taken from Ontario Government Bulletin No. 188:—

Weeds rob the crop plants of the food in the soil. For example, an average mustard plant pumps from the soil about fourteen ounces or seven-tenths of a pint of water per day.

Weeds mature their seeds before the crop plants, and draw heavily upon the plant food in the soil, thus leaving less available for the crop plants when they require it to mature their seeds.

Weeds shade, crowd and choke out useful plants. They increase the cost of every operation in the preparing of the land, and in the seeding, cultivating, harvesting and marketing of the crop.

The market value of seed grain, clover and grass seeds is much decreased by the presence of weed seeds.

Weeds often harbor or favor the development of injurious insects and fungus diseases.

No man cares to buy a weedy place if he can secure a clean one.