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Sweater Coats, Hose, Caps, Toques and  
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## EFFECTS OF CROPPING

Sure to Exhaust the Best Soil  
in Time.

Plant Food Must Be Supplied—  
Mother Earth Has Her Limits—  
Seven Rules for Poultry Raisers  
—Breaking Up Broody Hens.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of  
Agriculture, Toronto.)

Lands that have been farmed for  
half a century usually show a de-  
crease in crop production. A few  
farms that have been well managed  
in the various sections of Ontario are  
still very productive. Some have been  
so depleted of the plant food materi-  
als that were accumulated during  
the period of forest development as  
to be unprofitable under tillage to-  
day. Previous to clearing and crop-  
ping the process was accumulating  
fertility. Since cropping has been  
practiced the process has been re-  
versed and supplanted by one of ex-  
penditure. Under a farming practice  
that exhausts the humus and returns  
no vegetable matter the soil hardens  
quickly, dries out and becomes non-  
productive, simply because there is  
neither food nor soil life to release  
such to growing plants.

Mineral Elements Become Exhausted.

Frequently one of the mineral ele-  
ments—lime, potash or phosphorus  
—is exhausted by cropping or leach-  
ing. Nitrogen exhaustion is a very  
common condition noticeable in lands  
that have been cultivated for more  
than twenty-five years. After all, the  
soil is only a storehouse for those  
elements required in the life pro-  
cesses of the food plants that the  
farmer grows. In that storehouse  
various forms of life are at work  
converting the unusable to a usable  
or food condition for the plant. If  
we crop for years and exhaust the  
nitrogen or the potash or the phos-  
phorus to a point where any of such  
could not be supplied in quantity suf-  
ficient to meet the full demands of  
the growing plant then we have a  
condition of plant mal-nutrition or  
starvation.

Every farmer should keep some  
sort of account system of his busi-  
ness. It should show the profit and  
loss of all of his operations.

Sometimes we can not prevent out-  
breaks of live stock disease on our  
farms, but we can and should always  
use every preventive measure and see  
that proper precautions are taken  
when the disease first makes its  
appearance.

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knitted, warm and strong. Regular 75c

**55c**

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