

4. Some have found it of advantage to give thorough spring cultivation until quite late in the spring, plough immediately, sow barley at about two bushels per acre and then plough deep immediately after harvesting the barley and give what surface cultivation may be possible during the remainder of the season.
5. Seeding down to grass is sometimes recommended. Brome grass will hold its own, and the grass will be cut before the thistles have time to mature.
6. Late fall ploughing, especially when done dry and deep, and the ploughing left rough to dry out over winter, will weaken the thistle roots and put them in good shape to attack during the following May with the duckfoot cultivator, which pulls the roots to the top when they dry out by the action of the sun and wind and die.
7. Probably a combination of some of these methods would be advisable, for instance, in very bad cases, suggestion No. 4 followed the next summer by No. 3. Fortunately as yet most cases are in the nature of patches of a few feet to a few yards in diameter. A very little work will in cases like these save many days labour a few years hence.

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