

Spring Farming.

EDGE HILL, Mo., Feb. 4th, 1884.
Ed. Register—From present indications it seems as though Winter is superceded by the balmy air of Spring, and although early yet in the season, it behooves the farmer to commence looking around and lay off the work in such a manner as to be always in time. It is a known fact that the earliest planted corn is always the best, and as the reports from nearly all the great corn producing States all agree that a large part of the corn is soft, it becomes the farmer to be very careful in selecting his seed corn now, and not wait until planting-time is at hand.

Undoubtedly seed is best selected early in the Fall, if proper precaution is taken afterward; but as that is generally neglected then, don't delay it now. Cut off enough of the small end of the grain to expose the germ. If the germ is firm and clear, it is all right; but if spongy and yellow, or black, its vitality has been destroyed. But the surest and best way is to select a grain from each ear picked out, note the number, plant them, and see what percentage grows. This can and ought to be attended to now, and much vexation and replanting of corn prevented. In arranging plans for spring work, do not lay out more than can be done thoroughly. Laying out and planting are not all, but only the beginning; the labor and cost of cultivation and maintenance are to be taken into the account; orders for trees and seeds sent the present month are more likely to be satisfactorily filled than if delayed until planting time.

Reset fences, and renew rails and posts, wherever they are falling. Staking and binding with withes answers a tolerable purpose, but is a very bad-looking way of mending a fence.

The next topic will be on horticulture. JAKE.

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