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Wind erosion! Wind must share with rain responsibility for carrying away the best part of our farms, the upper fertile layer. While rain washes land away mostly on slopes, the blowing away of soil is serious on level as well as sloping areas. The extent of damage done by wind erosion ranges all the way from a slight disturbance in a small area to huge dust storms sweeping across many states. An analysis of transported soil indicates that the dust carried more than 500 miles contained many times as much organic matter as the sand dunes piled up in the vicinity of the storm's source. Wind picks up the finer particles and therefore the most fertile part of the soil.

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