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Evaporation! This process of nature (the reverse of condensation) is a very important matter to the soil conservationist and others interested in agriculture. If soil is sopping wet, it evaporates more water than an equal surface of free water under the same conditions. This is because of the inequalities of the surface; a square foot of soil presents a greater evaporating area than does water. Losses from a water surface by evaporation can easily be measured, but those from a soil surface or from vegetation can not be measured so easily and indirect methods are pursued. If soil is partially dry, it evaporates more slowly than a water surface even though the subsoil is very moist.
