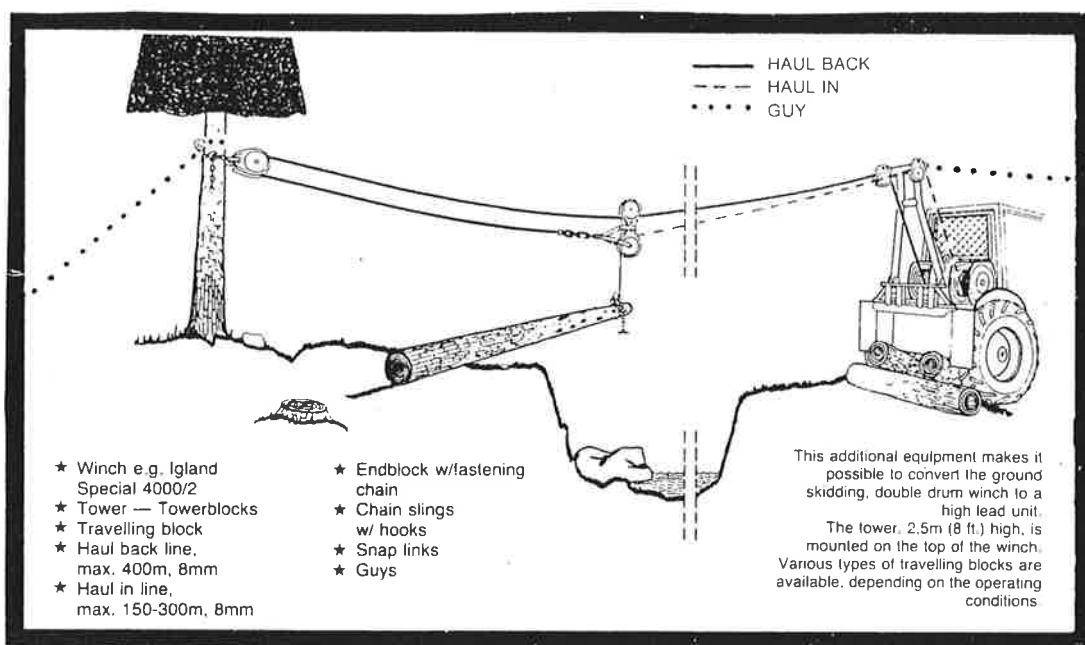


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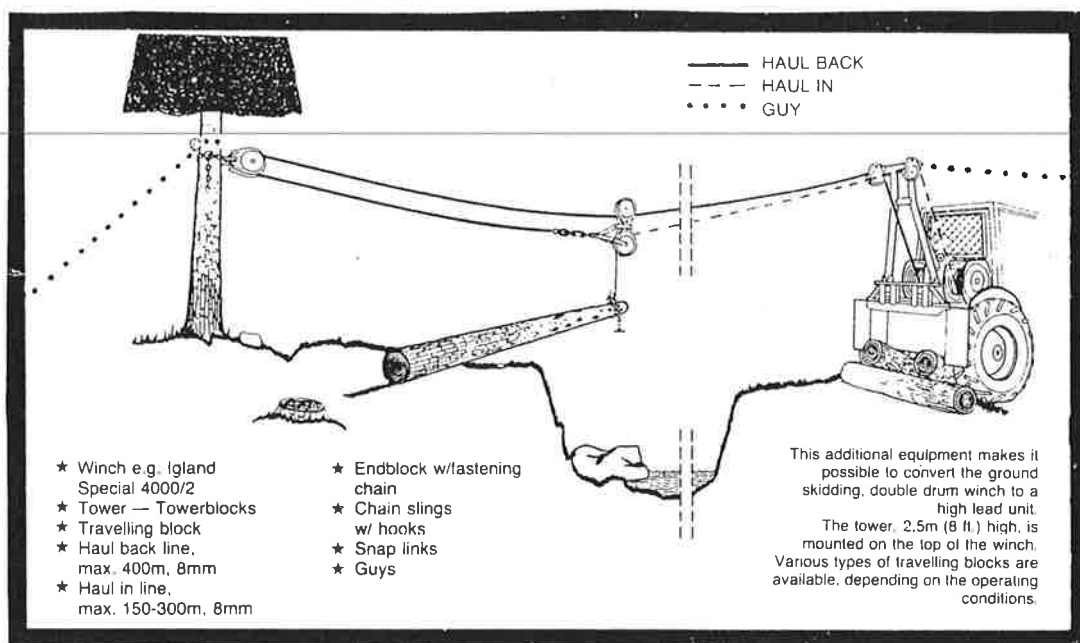
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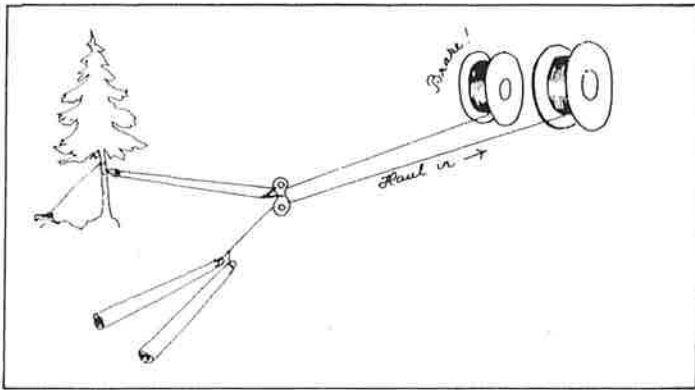


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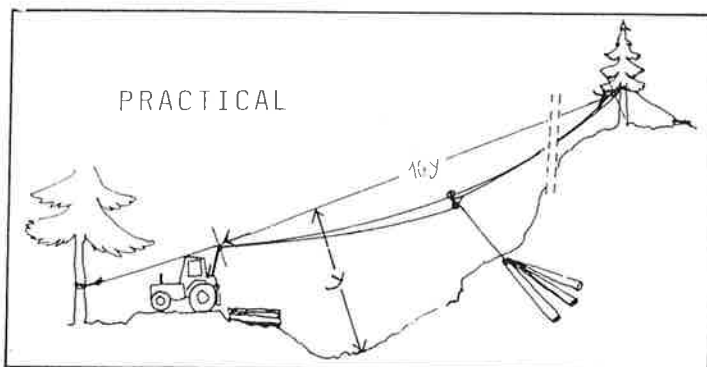
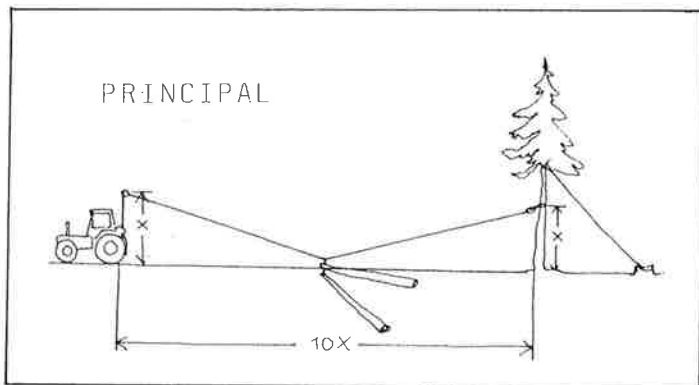


This operation involves engaging the clutch of one drum to pull against the brake of the other drum, i.e. when hauling in a load with the main line, an application of the brake on the "haul-back" line tightens the line and lifts the load. The carriage block on the end of the "haul-back" line allows the main line to be pulled by hand to either side of the extraction route for a distance of up to 18 to 28 metres (20-30yds). This distance being limited by the time and effort required to do so.

HIGH LEAD EFFECT.

This is the lifting effect obtained by elevating the pulley blocks at either end above the extraction route terrain, and keeping the wire under tension by running in one drum against the brake of the other. The normal maximum operating distance between tractor and tail block is 140 to 180 metres (150-200 yds). This is determined by the "high-lead" effect which in principle ; persists for about ten times the combined height of the blocks.

See x-diagram.



On a concave sloped extraction route the "highlead" effect will persist over a longer distance.
Ex.: $y=15m$ $10y=150m$ (approx.)

See y-diagram

y : Height difference between the cable and the terrain.
 $10y$: Approximately length of the rack.

THE WINCH

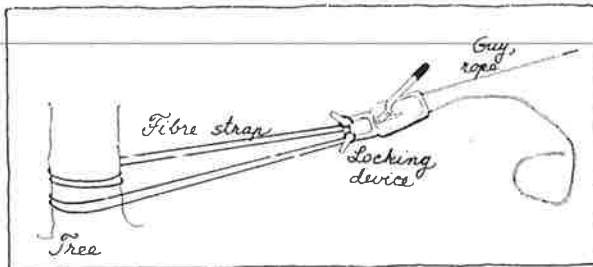
In extraction operations where the winch will be used predominantly for "highlead" skidding, it is recommended that the winch be geared up by changing the P.T.O. sprocket from the normal 19 tooth sprocket to a 34 teeth one. This will increase the winch speed and hence the haul in time at the expense of diminishing the maximum pull per drum.



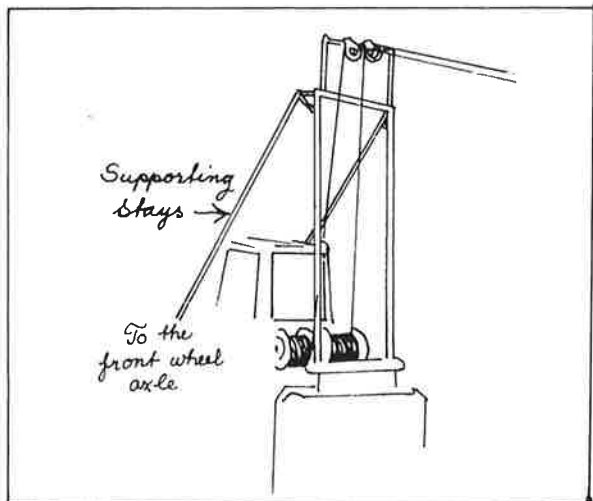
The sprocket

ANCHORS

A safe anchor for the tractor is essential; the safest being a large tree or stump to which the guy rope should be fastened. Use the original Igland locking device for tightening the guy rope. The anchor should be fastened as near to the base of the tree as possible, tightening up as far as possible by hand, with the final tension being put on by driving the tractor against the anchor rope.



The anchor rope is attached to the top of the tower.



ATTACHING THE SUPPORTING STAYS TO TOWER.

To ensure maximum efficiency and safety, the most practical method has been found to be an attachment of supporting stays from the top corners of the tower to the front wheel axle on each side of the tractor.

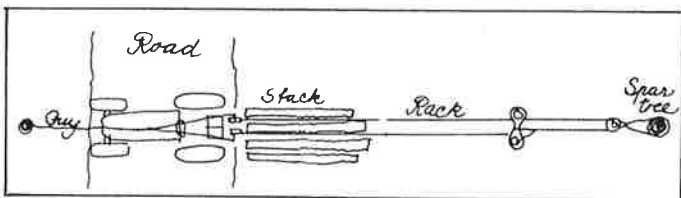
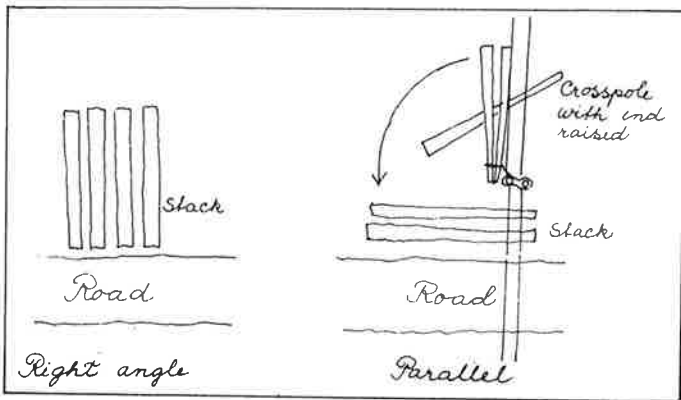
Fastening brackets are made individually.



SITE LAYOUT

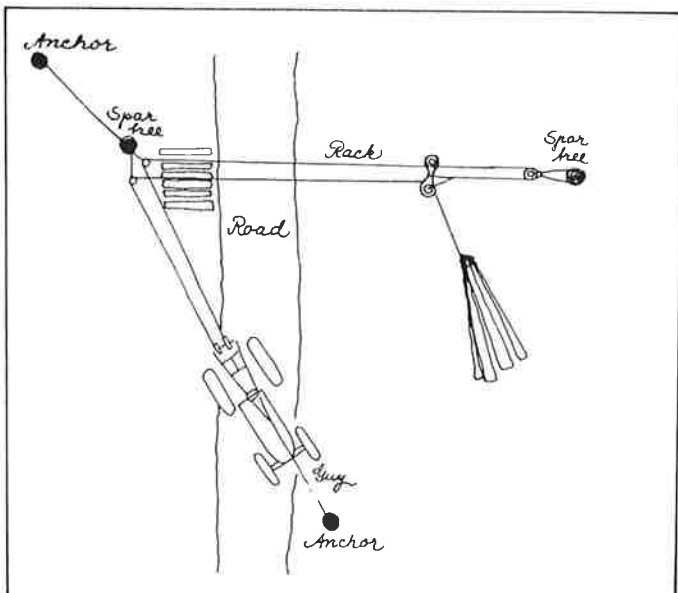
The racks must:

- 1) Terminate at a stacking site on the road.
- 2) Have a suitable spar tree at the far end.
- 3) Racks should be approximately 18 metres (20 yds) apart to avoid the need for pulling the "haul-in" (main) line too far to the side or damaging surrounding trees. (Thinnings)
- 4) There should be suitable stacking space. Normally the woodlands at right angles to the road, though it can be swung parallel to the road.



THE TRACTOR

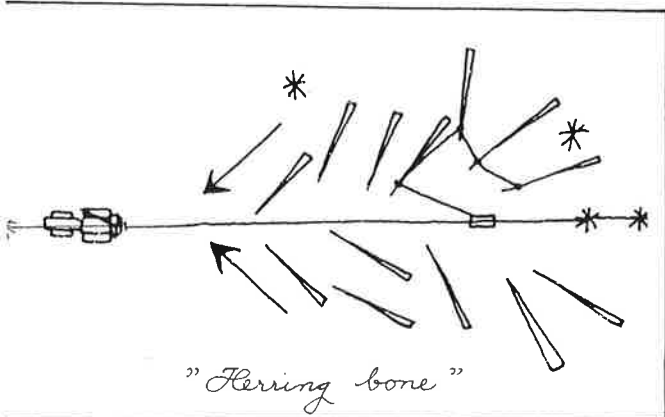
The tractor, the main guy and the extraction rack should be in line.



Where space is limited or where stacking is required on the opposite side of the road, a spar tree on the opposite side of the road can be used and the tractor parked clear off the end of the rack.

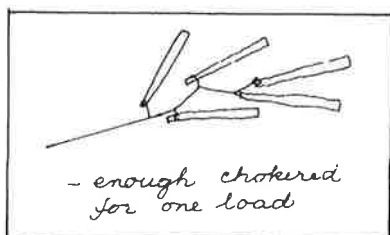
FELLING LAYOUT

When using tree length extraction methods, the trees ideally should be felled "herring bone" fashion in relation to the extraction route. When cross-cutting at the stump, the lengths should be piled in piles of size suitable for one extraction run. The ends of the piles nearest the rack should be piled on another log or similar object in order that a choker chain can be easily passed round the pile. Ideally the piles should also be orientated "herring bone" fashion in relation to the extraction route.



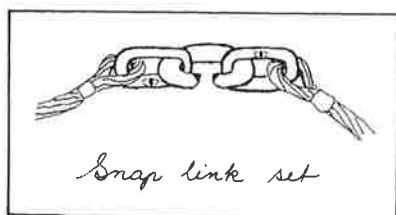
CHOKERING

For tree lengths too heavy to pile manually, pull a chain through its keyhole until there is ample to go around the log. Pass the chain around the log, catching the hook on to the chain, then pull the chain through the keyhole until it is right up against the log. Pull wire and other chokers to other logs until there is enough chokered for one load. If the pieces are piled together one choker chain can be passed around as many logs as is convenient or round which the choker chain will reach. There are 5 ft, and 10 ft. choker chains available.



SNAP LINK SETS

This quick and efficient method of joining ropes together on to pulleys is used to great advantage in "highlead" operations. The snap link enables the "haul-back" rope alone to be hauled out to the "tail" block when setting up operations, rather than having to haul out a loop of the rope already connected on to the "tail" block. Once the "haul-back" rope is through the "tail" block, the rope end is connected by means of a snap link to the carriage block.



SEQUENCE OF OPERATION

A. PLAN AND DECIDE ON BEST LINE FOR RACK AND SPAR TREE.

B. SETTING UP (NORMAL 2 MAN OPERATION). SIMULTANIOUS PERFORMANCE.

Winch operator

Choker man

1. Decide on best location for tractor.
2. Place tractor in position and assemble backstay to suitable ground anchor. Drive tractor back to tighten guy.
3. Assist choker man if necessary by paying out haul back line. Main line brake on.
4. Pass main (haul in) line through carriage block and connect with snap link, choker length with keyholes, chokers and sliders fitted.
5. Tighten lines by operating clutch and brakes.

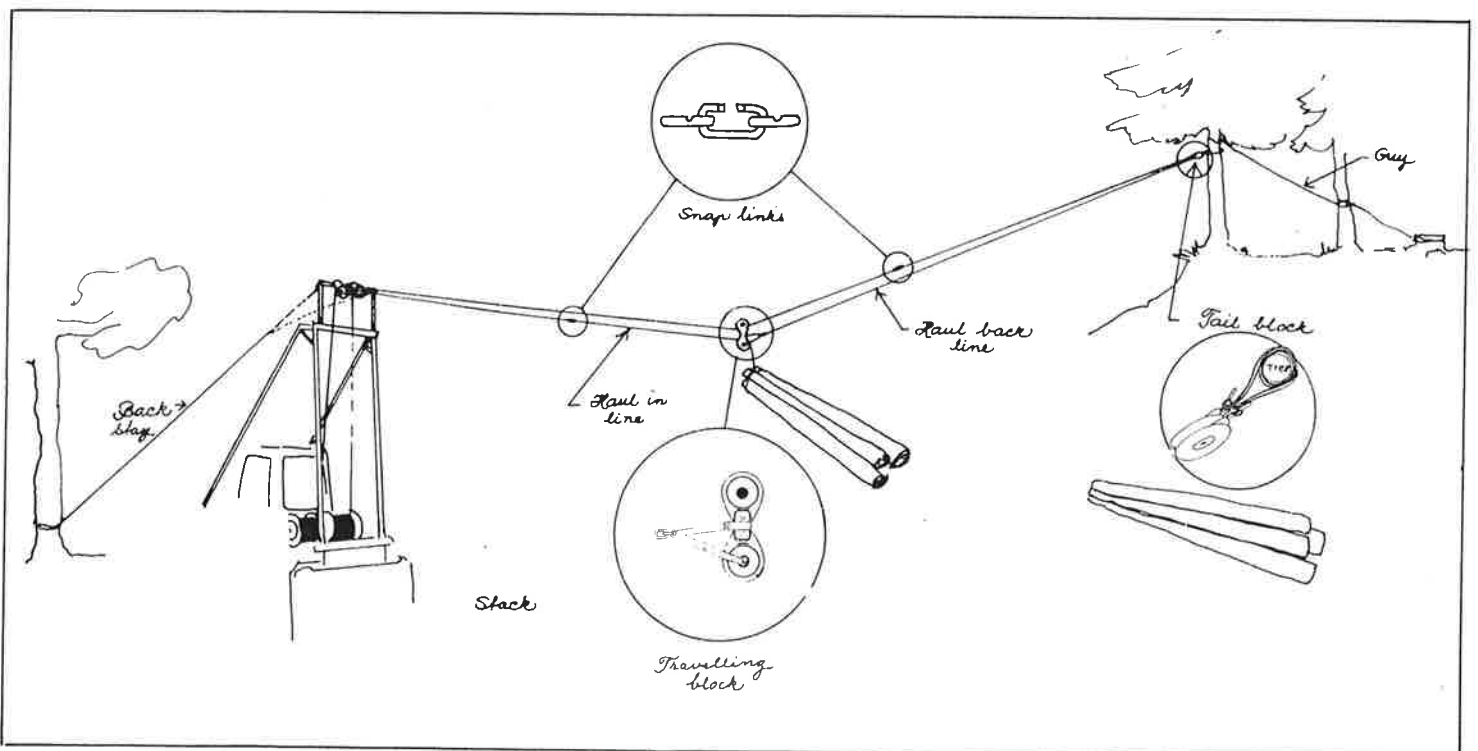
Pass "haul back" line through carriage block and pull it out to the spar tree, taking "tail" block as well.

Rig tail block and guy rope. Return end of haul back line to carriage block and connect with the snap link set.

Return to site of first load ready for chokering up.

CAUTION Rope Spooling

Careless wire rope spooling, allowing the wire rope to foul the brake band will cause brake band distortion.



C. OPERATING

WINCH OPERATOR

1. Engage clutch on haul back line and at same time disengage brake on main line enough to allow carriage to run free but not enough to allow main line to go slack. Keep carriage block clear of snags by tensioning wires with the main line brake.
2. Apply haul back brake, disengaging haul back clutch. Free main line brake.
3. Adjust stacking of last load as necessary.
4. Engage main line clutch and disengage haul back brake enough to allow load to run, apply brake enough to lift up front of load clear of any snags.

CHOKER MAN

Determine to be choked. Signal "Stop" when the carriage block reaches the required position.

Haul out main line to the load.

Choker up load. Signal to winch operator.

Check preparation of next load.

D. DISMANTLING (AFTER HAULING IN LAST LOAD)

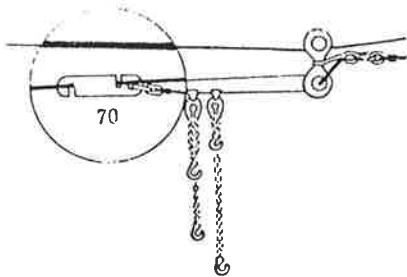
Winch operator

1. Dismantle main guy
2. Winch in haul back line

Choker man

Dismantle tail block and guy.
Keep strain on line by walking with "tail" block.

THE STOP BAR.



This is a device that can be attached to the main line for holding out the rope when travelling back to the chokerman. When highleading over long distances or uphill it becomes very difficult to haul out the rope any distance from the carriage block, this being because the chokerman not only has to pull against the winch but he also has to haul against the weight of the main line that has been hauled out from the block, and the friction of this rope where it touches the ground or runs over pulleys. The length needed by the chokerman is pulled out by the winch operator before the carriage is returned to the chokerman. The winch operator then clips on the stop bar at the carriage block end of the length in order to stop the length running back through the carriage block.

