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BUY A BOAT.

In the opinion of the gentlemen who have been investigating the fishing situation for the President of the Booth Fisheries, every man who can should buy a boat and get busy.

The slogan, "Buy a Boat," raised by Geo. W. Nickerson in his address on "Fishing" at a Board of Trade luncheon some time ago, was evidently the right one. Our recent visitors have had a world-wide experience in the business, and their opinions must carry weight.

Certainly, the concessions granted by the Dominion government are very valuable, and have already brought tangible results, but, according to Mr. Smithers, we must strive hard to develop a large Canadian fishing industry here. So long as there is the possibility of counter action from Washington, at the instigation of the large interests in the South, it is unwise to depend too much on the trade we are getting from American bottoms.

A reform in the fishing license regulations, as suggested by Mr. Nickerson, would do much to create a large Canadian fishing fleet here. A general expansion of the industry is much more desirable than the procuring of a share of what already exists. Prince Rupert is ideally situated as a base for such an expansion, being near the banks, and at the same time being the terminal point of a transcontinental railroad second to none on the continent.

PROFIT FROM OBSTRUCTION.

British Columbia's fertile valleys have been stolen, but the police will have no trouble in locating the stolen goods. It is a principle of law and equity that stolen goods can always be claimed by the owners, no matter in whose hands they may be or by what means the holders obtained possession. That the thefts were committed with the approval of the government of the day does not affect the situation, for the

rightful heirs were not consulted. The Pacific province has made a slight advance toward eliminating the possibility of profit from the idle holding of land. But, while the possibility of profit is tolerated, her development will be made impossible by land holding. Loss should be as fully assured to the man who prevents wealth production by the idle holding of land. But, while the possibility of profit is tolerated, her development will be made impossible by land holding. Loss should be as fully assured to the man who prevents wealth production by the holding of idle land as gain should be assured to the man who engages in productive industry or enterprise. Every dollar obtained by holding idle land must be taken from someone who has honestly earned it and is deprived of it. Not only is the idle holding not productive, but it is destructive, so the producer loses many dollars for every dollar gained by the speculator. British Columbia is furnishing the world an example of land-policy folly, and should now furnish an equally instructive and more inspiring example of reform and restoration.

The fertile valleys along the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway have been bought up or secured from the government by various devices. This is because of the possibility of profit from idle holding. Were that possibility abolished no one would buy land except for use. It is only by use that land can yield an actual return. The only real return is the crop, the pleasure and advantage of residence, of the profit of business and manufacture. What the speculator gets must be at the expense of the user, for economically, he is not a producer, but a parasite. It is only within a certain distance of markets or means of transportation that land can be profitably used. Virtually all within that area in British Columbia has been secured for speculation. It is held at prices

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which it will not yield. The result is that it might as well be under the sea. The superimposed strata of title deeds and bad legislation makes it as unproductive as naked rock. The remedy is simple. Let the province levy taxation according to the land-famine values caused by obstructive speculation. That would make idle holding unprofitable and impossible, as it always should be. Land will not wither up or leak out through the cracks if it is not owned. It is use that yields real returns, and the idle land should be awaiting the user. Let taxation make idle holding as unprofitable as it is unproductive, and let it be known that use will be as profitable as it is productive. In this simple way, British Columbia can show the world how to rectify a blunder that is making her development for the present impossible. Other provinces will find it advantageous to follow such an example—Toronto Globe.

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INTERESTING LETTER FROM THE TRENCHES

The following is an extract from a letter received yesterday by A. W. McLean from Wilfred Macdonald, who left here with the first contingent

"We were rushed through from Shorncliffe the day the Canadians were so cut up, and landed square into one of the biggest scraps of the war, without a stop. "Entrenched, we stood our first six nights and five days without a loss, whilst close to us, in the first trenches we dug, in fact, men were blown to atoms. On our left, a French party doing ration fatigue was blown to pieces, not twenty yards from Neville and myself. Our 'Latrine' in communication was visited by a 'Jack Johnson,' which made a hole something like the excavation on the postoffice site on Third Avenue, right where Vic Tompkins had just left. Jim Neville and I went out in the morning and got the 'Frenchies.' Baked beans, fresh pork and lovely French bread were fine after a week's bully beef and biscuit.

"That afternoon, I beat it up to the left and got a Lee-Enfield rifle off a dead 'Tommy.' We had a few wounded by shrapnel and one by a rifle bullet, but all are well. The noise was like the blasting along the Skeena River in the early days, only 1000 per cent more terrific, if you can imagine what that would be like. We are with the battalion which got cut up so badly at St. Julien. The general inspected us yesterday. Vic Tompkins joins in kindest regards to all the boys."

68TH E. G. O. R.

Orders by Major J. H. McMullin, Commanding, June 4, 1915:

Appointments.

The following is an extract from The Canada Gazette: "68th Regiment (E. G. O. R.), to Be Chaplain, Honorary Major, the Reverend G. A. Rix, from 34th Ontario Regiment.

Parades.

"A" and "B" Companies will parade in front of the assessor's office on Tuesday, the 8th inst., and Friday, the 11th inst., at 8 p. m. Rifle Exercises and Squad Drill. Should the weather be inclement parades will be held at the Exhibition Building.

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