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TIME TO MOVE.

With the construction of the new "Hindenburg line" or rather a continuation of the present one to the south as far as Metz, in the Province of Lorraine, it is being said that the Germans will be evacuating the St. Mihiel salient, which they have retained for such a long time. As the French front line swings east and then south around the city of Verdun, it comes west again, causing the Verdun front to form a large salient sticking well into the French line. This salient has been a source of considerable trouble to the French command for some considerable time. The Germans have taken such advantage of the natural strength of the position as to make it invulnerable for frontal attack even with artillery preparation. The French have proved this for themselves. The recent attacks successfully made by the French in this region have, however, been applied in the same manner which the Germans like so well to use themselves. This consists in breaking through the salient at or near its base, necessitating the evacuating of the apex to prevent the capture of the troops holding it. It was strategy of this nature which caused the retreat of the Grand Duke Nicholas from the Warsaw front at the last great Russian retreat.

The new German line is said to be with the city of Metz for its base, and will probably lie along the line of the Vosges mountain forming the boundary at present between France and Lorraine. Notwithstanding that the new line is heavily fortified, it will avail the Huns about as much as did Vimy and Paschendaele. They are beat, and they know it. It is only a matter of time now cleaning them up.

CO-OPERATION.

One of the most important matters dealt with at the re-

cent conference of the Provincial Premiers was that of increased food production. Everything possible in every way is recommended to be done to increase the available supplies of food locally throughout Canada so that greater quantities may be available for export. The allied countries need more food and the increasing numbers of troops in France and the other fronts need more. Every garden patch bearing crops will help. Every vacant lot cultivated will help them further.

To help the farmers, hundreds of tractors have been purchased at cost in the United States, and will be supplied duty free to have increased areas of land broken and prepared for seeding. The need is urgent, and it ought to appeal to every community in the Dominion.

There are many necessities which must be imported into this city, but there is sufficient ground suitable to raise many crops, such as potatoes, etc. within the city limits, which might be utilized in this manner. It is true that muskeg requires some preparation, chiefly draining, but good crops of spuds have been raised even the first year, in many places. There is opportunity for quite a deal of communal activity in this direction right now, and never a more pressing need.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The advance across the Judean hills from Jerusalem to Jericho is likened to climbing interminable mountains of soap. In the rainy weather, the mounted troops would doubtless get into some lather. But nothing to the lathering they will give the Turks, when they get them.

The British Air Service, "which is largely manned by Canadians" has been doing good service. The airmen have eighty seven Hun planes to their credit in four days, which is going some. Whatever these Canadians tackle, they seem to make a success of it.

The declaration of the Ger-



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man Government that it is only "neighbourly consideration" that prompts it to send its divisions of troops into Russia collecting provisions and war material is significant of the friendly state of mind with which the Germans regard Russia. Neighbourly consideration doubtless also prompted Germany to send her troops into Belgium nearly four years ago.

The adjourned Provincial Parliament was to meet today in Victoria upon the arrival of Premier Brewster. The premier's unfortunate illness at Calgary will however, prevent him being present. The business of the province, however, must go on.

The Daily News delivered by carrier, 50 cents per month.

LAND ACT

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE 4.

TAKE NOTICE that John Grace, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation fisherman, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted on the foreshore on the west side of Stewart Narrows, about two miles south of Hartley Bay; thence west 20 chains, thence north 20 chains, thence east 20 chains, thence south 20 chains to the point of commencement and containing 40 acres more or less.

JOHN GRACE, Applicant.

DATED November 12, 1917.

SKEENA LAND DISTRICT—DISTRICT OF COAST, RANGE FIVE.

TAKE NOTICE that I intend to apply to the Honorable Commissioner of Lands and Works to lease the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner, above high water mark, at Bagley Point—then ten chains due east, then south to the Shore Line, then following the contour of the Shore Line to the place of commencement, containing twenty acres, more or less.

JAMES DESBRISAY, manager,
Wales Island Cannery.

November 14th, 1917.

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JAMES P. REID, Applicant.

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