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In a private letter from Joseph Fels written from London, that tireless philanthropist says: "I think things are moving over here; and we have just had a bully single tax conference at Glasgow, where about 400 representatives of local, urban and parish authorities." urban and parish authorities from all over the country were in attendance. In urban and parish authorities from all over the country were in attendance. In all there were about 700 delegates." Mr. Fels has lately been in Germany, Denmark, Sweden and France in the interest of land value taxation, in each of which countries, as in the United States, he has established a generous fund for the promotion of what he considers the fundamental reform. The Fels Fund Commission of the United States will hold its annual meeting in New York Dec. 1, 2 and 3 and Mr. Fels is coming over in November to attend it. Chairman Daniel Kiefer anticipates a very large attendance at this meeting and probably almost every state in the union will be represented. The fact that Oregon, Missouri and Rhode Island are now entering upon vigorous campaigns for the adoption upon vigorous campaigns for the adoption of the Henry George idea, while in a number of other states preliminary movements are on foot, will give added interest and zest to this gathering of the Fels

FALL SHEEP SALES

Oakes, Carlyle, Sask.—Sheep sales will be held at Virden, Brandon and Portage la Prairie on October 28, at Napinka on October 31, at Minnedosa on November 2 and at Carman on Novem-

The vice-admiral of the Turkish fleet is a Canadian, R. D. Buckman, a native of Hantsport, Nova Scotia.

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Census reports of 1910 put the total amount of improved farm lands at 477,448,000 acres. That is less than one-fourth of the area of the United States, exclusive of the island possessions. Cities, mines, ranches and public roads combined do not occupy more than a fraction of the space used for farms, so that somewhere in the neighborhood of three-fourths of the country's area must be lying unused, to say nothing of the fact that much of what is classed as being used is not being put to the best use of which it is capable. There certainly seems to be plenty of land for all who want to use it. But as a matter of fact there is not. The land is there all right, but would-be users must first make terms with speculative holders who, in most cases, will not allow it to be used except on terms that will leave but little for the user.

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According to the same census reports the average price per acre of farm lands has more than doubled in ten years. That means that it is more than twice as hard to get a farm in the United States today as it was ten years ago. It is no wonder that American farmers are being forced to emigrate to Canada and become British subjects in order to get land.

With all this land lying idle unemployed men are looking in vain for a chance to work and poverty and distress are wide-spread. That is the result of landmonopoly. How much longer will the American people put up with it?-Johnstown Democrat.

DR SCHAFFNER IMPROVING

Dr. F. L. Schaffner, M.P., who has been a patient in the Winnipeg general hospital for the past two weeks, is rapidly recovering. He expects to be able to leave the hospital this week.