

THE GRAIN GROWERS' GUIDE

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WHY THE FARMER IS POOR!

EVERY FARMER WHO HAULS A LOAD OF WHEAT PAST AN IDLE QUARTER SECTION ON HIS WAY TO MARKET IS PAYING TOLL TO THE SPECULATOR WHO HOLDS THAT QUARTER SECTION OUT OF USE. THAT LOAD OF WHEAT, BECAUSE OF THE VACANT LAND, HAS A LOWER PURCHASING POWER BY SEVERAL CENTS PER BUSHEL, AND THIS LOSS TO THE FARMER IS GAIN TO THE LAND SPECULATOR. THE SPECULATOR IS DOING JUST WHAT THE BARONS OF OLD DID, BUT HE IS DOING IT UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE LAW AND IS THEREFORE RESPECTABLE. THIS EVIL COULD BE LARGELY REMOVED BY THE PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURES. WHY DO THEY NOT ACT? ARE THE PEOPLE SATISFIED TO PAY TOLL TO SPECULATORS?

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