

Just yesterday, we bought Bootham School's front steps (*fair and square!*) in order to build an oil well over them. We bought them from the government for a **reasonable** price to make an investment that should fight the poverty amongst boarding students; it's all legal and clearly a good thing (**especially** for us); and we can't fight the need for new resources, **can we**? Besides, this is something happening worldwide as we speak: *all across the globe* governments, food exporters, tourism providers (the list goes on) are grabbing land for things as **necessary** as crops sometimes – how can that make the hunger problems worse, I ask you? It does, admittedly go back to *our home country* and takes away all of other people's resources, but at least **we're** not starving. But those damn hippies – they protested outside and I can't see why: the plans for our drilling and laws related could *easily* have been found for the past day (maybe two) if they had simply asked their (equally well-informed... that is near not at all) headmaster. It's a cruel business... but **fair**.

- Every second, poor countries lose an area of land the size of a football pitch to banks and private investors.
- Most land deals take place in countries with serious hunger problems - yet investors often intend to export everything produced on the land.
- Poor families are often evicted from their homes without fair treatment or compensation.

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