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EXTENDING ENGLAND ! **Mighty** reclamation scheme

in full operation at Southampton, Hampshire.-

(6) Picture:- They are adding hundreds of acres to England by taking ten million--

--tons of soil from the bed--

--of the river Test. XXXX The biggest dredger in --

--the world is hard at it lifting the mud--

--or "spoil", (as it is called), from the river bed. XXXXXX On an endless chain of buckets it is raised to--

--the top whilst still in a more-or-less liquid state. XXXX Real mud-- which would delight the hearts of many never-clean schoolboys I know !

At the top the buckets automatically turn over, and shoot the 'spoil' down into barges alongside ready to receive it. XXXX

That part of the job is comparatively simple, but now it has to be--

--got to coast, where it will extend the coastline, and add more area to England. XXXX The barges convey--

--the 'spoil' to the reclamation pump. XXXXXX Here it is kept in a state of agitation, to prevent "settling", while--

--it is sucked out of the barges into a 24"-inch pipe, which can take it up at the rate of--

--600-tons in fifteen minutes ! XXXX Through this pipe the 'spoil' passes on its way to the--

--reclaimed area. XXXX There it goes away into the distance ! XXXX

The position of the big pipe is altered from time to--

--time, according to where they want to dump--

--the mud. XXXX It rushes out and spreads itself around, gradually building up--

--the countryside. XXXX The water drifts away leaving only the solid matter. XXXX

Here is the result of this great work up, to now ! XXXX This entire area has been tacked on to our little island. XXXX Who said that Britain was fading away ?