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PROFIT IN SUGAR INDUSTRY, BUT NOT FOR THE WORKERS

Colorado Beet Farmers Revolt Against the "Pickett Trust"—How Protection Doesn't Protect Those who Work—Organization Steals Alike from Sugar Growers and Consumers.

Longmont, Colo., Dec. 15.—"Sugar is such a staple that nobody makes more than an infinitesimal fraction of a cent per pound on it."

"So they were telling me."

But the fact is that the sugar trust makes millions more every year, not profit, on the sugar grown in Colorado than all the growers together got for planting, raising and marketing the beets. And makes it in a few weeks of factory operation in the fall, at that.

So the sugar beet growers of America are organizing to get a fair price for their beets. Many growers in Michigan, California, Utah, Idaho, Wisconsin and other states are joining with Colorado farmers under the leadership of Attorney Albert Dakan of Longmont, to fight the trust.

Northern Colorado, acre for acre, is the greatest sugar beet producing region in the world. Here the Great Western Sugar Co., a subsidiary of the trust, operates. Its Longmont factory alone this year cleared \$575,000, or 110 per cent, on its actual investment. Its profit was greater than the total receipts of the growers for all the beets it bought.

Northern Colorado produced 700,000 tons of beets; for them the growers got \$3,500,000 from the nine factories of the district. The total cost of refining was \$1,925,000. The jobbers got \$1,575,000 for selling it to the storekeepers for \$15,700,000; giving the trust a profit of \$8,400,000, besides 175,000 tons of pulp sold for \$87,500 as cattle feed, and 28,000 tons of molasses worth \$280,000—by-products. That made the year's net profit for the trust \$9,925,000 on an investment of \$2,500,000. Its actual value was \$7,000,000, and its capital is \$30,000,000.

Here's farmer E. L. Montgomery. His beet crop was one of the best in the district. It went 23 tons to the acre, and 180 pounds of refined sugar were made from the beets of each acre, paying him \$168 an acre. From this \$92 must be subtracted for cost

of production, leaving a net profit of \$76 an acre. From this sum the sugar trust made \$714.00 clear profit per acre.

Often a farmer's crop does not go 10 tons an acre. Then he loses money. But the trust makes as great a profit per ton as in bumper years.

Last summer the trust sent out stories about the ruin of the American can beet sugar crop. When that lie was nailed a rumor came that foreign crops had failed. "Then how is it?" asked the American grower, "that prices of beets don't go up?"

Chester A. Morey, head of the Great Western, didn't know. Nor could he explain how the high tariff protects the American grower, if the failure of foreign crops didn't effect him. "If the prices you pay us for our beets isn't dependent on the failure or success of European crops why this protection?" they queried.

Weekly papers and certain farmers in the beet regions have been persuaded to speak well of the trust. Business men have been urged to do the same thing. The factories might be removed, you know. Some few favored growers are given a higher price for their beets and buy back pulp at a lower price. They influence neighboring farmers.

But now the beet farmers are aroused. They have found a champion in Dakan. Possibly they will own and operate refineries of their own. Another way may be found in a co-operative organization.

At any rate, the growers argue, the government should supervise the testing of beets as to percentage of sugar, and force payment for the full percentage shown. Now anything less than a half of one per cent, is not counted at all—"velvet" for the trust. "The sugar refiners could pay the growers a higher price than they now do, treat them fairly in the matter of testing, and cut the price of sugar to the consumer in half, if they paid a dividend only on the amount actually invested in the business," said Attorney Dakan, after a thorough study of beet sugar from the field to the factory to the table.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS ANYONE CAN MAKE AT HOME DURING IDLE MOMENTS



In thinking of a Christmas present for mother let the daughter keep in mind something that her mother can use for her very own and find pleasure in throughout the year.

The illustrations give a few suggestions that require little outlay of time or money. Not one article costs over 25 cents, and some less.

The little book of receipts is 10 inches high and seven wide. The covers are made of cardboard, covered with a plain colored denim, burial or linen, with five holes at the back through the cord is run for fastening leaves and covers together. The kettle is cut from black cloth and overhanded on, and the lettering is worked in outline stitch.

The candle shade is made with water color paper for the foundation. Cut

out the exact size and shape and fasten together at the ends. Tan linen, pongee silk or any material that would allow the light to show forms the background. Cut out the same shape as the paper shade, only one-quarter of an inch larger at the top and bottom.

Baste the two ends together to fit perfectly over the foundation, then rip the bastings and lay flat.

From flowered cretonne, cut a design and lay on the linen or silk shade to make an attractive design. The illustrated pattern is that of festoons of roses, connecting small rose filled baskets, and blue ribbon around the top.

In choosing the cretonne, keep the smallness of the design in mind. When the design is made, baste carefully into place and overhand the edges

down. Sew the two ends of the shade together, and turning in the upper and lower edges, stitch to the foundation. Finish the edges with a half-inch lace or fringe.

The bedroom slippers and case are made from daintily flowered cretonne, lined with flannel and bound with tape the color of the flowers. The soles are two thicknesses of butchers' linen (or enough to make them stiff) and a flannel lining for the inside, cretonne for the outside.

Cut out the correct shape and size, and bind with tape. Cut the upper part a correct slipper shape, making the seam come at the back and bind all edges with tape, then overhand the upper part to the sole.

The case is envelope shape and slippers and case are easily washed.

The collar cuff and jabot shows the possibilities of two or three handkerchiefs. The handkerchiefs used in the illustrations cost 6 cents apiece and have a border design of blue which makes an attractive edge.

The collar is made from one edge of one handkerchief two of the corners forming the fronts, and a third corner, to the depth of about eight inches, makes the jabot, pleating as shown.

The cuffs an edge of another, tiny tucks being made on each side of the fronts or corners, until the required size.

The side jabot is made from one handkerchief, cutting so as to make one corner come over the other, as shown in the illustration. Turn in the inner edge and hem neatly down.

BRITAIN AIMS BLOW AT AMERICAN TRUSTS

London, Dec. 15.—The agents in the British Isles of the prominent American meat packers who have up till now secured large contracts for the

supply of meats to the army and navy, have received the following notification from the War Office: "Pending the ultimate result of the legal proceedings in the United States court in meat packing firms, it has been decided by the British government that none of the firms involved shall be invited to tender for army supplies."

The decision of the government is due to the opposition of labor and the advanced radicals of Parliament to the American trusts. The contracts

are now expected to go to Argentina meat packers.

Mr. Peevish—If some woman only knew what they look like, they wouldn't put on such airs.

Mr. Peevish (her chance at last)—Yes, and if some men were introduced to themselves, when in company they would be ashamed of the acquaintance.

KNOCK-OUT DROPS IN DRINK PRELUDE TO SAFE LIFTING

Dunkirk, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Three men entered the saloon of Alexander

PHEASANTS RAISED BY STRATHCONA

Were Presented to Senator and Mrs. Baird at Andover—Impressions of Ottawa Drawing Room.

Andover, Dec. 15.—Senator and Mrs. Baird have received a handsome brace of Scotch pheasants, the gift of Lord Strathcona, who remembers them each year. The birds were raised in Strathcona's estate at Glencoe, Scotland. They received the gift on their return from Ottawa Saturday.

While at Ottawa Mrs. Baird has some interesting conversations with the Duchess of Connaught. On one occasion Her Royal Highness lauded the Canadian women. For natural beauty and gracefulness, the Duchess stated, the women at the drawing room given at the opening of parliament at Ottawa could not be excelled.

The gowns were among the finest Her Royal Highness had ever seen while the drawing room could be excelled only by the London affairs with royalty present.

The Ladies' literary society on Wednesday evening presented Mrs. Judson C. Manzer, one of the members, with a beautiful jardiniere. Mrs. Manzer recently returned with her husband from Cuba where they had been on their wedding trip. The address was read by Mrs. James E. Porter, and the presentation was made by Mrs. Benjamin Beveridge.

The ice ran out of the Tobique river and the St. John river Wednesday.

RAILWAY MAN'S DEATH.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 15.—O. M. Loring, superintendent of the Central New England Railway, died here this morning of typhoid fever. He was born in London, Ont., 39 years ago and leaves a widow.

Matuschewitz here early today, called for drinks, asked Matuschewitz to join them, put knockout drops in his glass when his back was turned, moved his thousand pound safe outdoors, blew it open with dynamite, secured \$2,500 in cash, and escaped. Neighbors attracted by the explosion, got medical assistance for Matuschewitz, who was later revived. There is no clue to the identity of the trio.



Let Us Help You Buy Christmas Presents That Are Sure to Be Appreciated

WAIST LENGTHS IN CHRISTMAS BOXES.

Eastern Silk, waist lengths, all colors... ..79c.
Plain, Plaid, Stripe or Check Silk Waist Lengths... ..\$1.85 to \$2.35
Waist lengths of Plain Cashmere, Silk Delaine, Voile or Fancy Goods; also lengths suitable for Children's Dresses, all shades... ..\$1.00 to \$1.25
Cashmere Flannelette Waist Lengths... ..50c.
The Serpentine Crepe and Velour Kimono lengths for short or long Kimonos... ..70c. to \$2.25

SILK, SATIN AND MOIRE UNDERSKIRTS FOR CHRISTMAS.

Short Silk Underskirts, all shades... ..\$5.00 each
Handsome Black Silk Underskirts... ..\$4.50 each
Satin Underskirts, light or dark colors... ..\$3.85 to \$4.60
Narrow Moire Skirts, plaided flounce... ..\$1.50 to \$1.88
Silk Moire Underskirts, navy and black... ..\$3.50 each

A GIFT OF FANCY LINEN OR TABLE LINEN.

Will Please the Housewife.

White Centres, embroidered in box... ..35c.
H. S. Mexican Centres in box... ..55c.
Embroidered Tray Cloths, in box... ..30c. to 50c.
Fancy Init. Bebe Irish Edge Doilies... ..12c. to 50c.
Hand-embroidered Doilies and Centres... ..38c. to \$1.35
Hand-embroidered Table Covers and doilies, nat. linen embroidered in Oriental colors... ..65c. to \$1.25
Bordered Table Cloths, full bleached Damask... ..\$1.45 up
Velvet Belts... ..60c.
H. S. Table Cloths, \$3.00 to \$3.45 each
Scalloped Edge Cloths, round or square... ..\$1.20 to \$4.20 doz
Fancy embroidered Towels... ..75c. to \$1.15 each
Guest Towels, Damask Borders... ..37c. to 60c. pair

HAND PAINTED CHINA IS CHARMING FOR REMINDERS.

Chocolate or Tea Cups and Saucers... ..25c. to 30c.
Haplin Holders... ..25c.
Japanese Trays... ..25c.
Salt and Pepper Shakers... ..25c.
Hair Receivers... ..25c. each
Dainty Vases... ..80c. each
Fruit Dishes, assorted sizes... ..40c. to 80c. each
Receiving sets... ..80c.
Fern Dishes... ..80c.
Chocolate Sets... ..80c.
Nut Bowls... ..25c. to 40c.
Cake Plates... ..80c.
Cream Pitcher and Sugar Bowl... ..80c. to \$1.25 pair

A PRETTY WHITE APRON ALWAYS ACCEPTABLE

Dainty Little Tea Aprons in great variety, useful Skirt Aprons, plain or trimmed Tea Aprons in newest round or pointed shapes, trimmed lace ruffles 45 to 75c. each
Hand Embroidered Tea Aprons in Christmas box 60c. to 95c. each
Skirt Aprons trimmed tucking 30 to 45c. each
Skirt Aprons trimmed embroidery ruffles, 60c. each.

GLOVES MAKE A MOST ACCEPTABLE CHRISTMAS GIFT.

English Cape Walking Gloves in box... ..\$1.00
French Kid Gloves, (2) dome, in box... ..\$1.00
French Kid Gloves, all shades in box... ..\$1.25
Fine French Kid Gloves in box... ..\$1.35

USEFUL AND APPRECIABLE GIFTS OF LEATHER

Men's Leather Travelling Cases with fittings, \$4.95 each.
Women's New Suede Handbags latest round or square shapes, colors to match costume... ..\$1.35 to \$2.85
Leather Handbags, large and medium sizes. Kid or moire lined \$1.45 to \$5.75 ea.

SNOWSHOE TOGS FOR CHILDREN OR GROWN-UPS.

Children's New Arctic Knit Togs, white or red... ..30c. to 50c. each
Children's Scarves, sky, red or white... ..30c. each
Hockey Caps, cardinal, white or sky... ..75c. each
Black Clouds... ..50c. to 75c. each
Women's new wool Hats, cardinal, white or sky... ..\$1.98 to \$2.35
Children's Sweaters... ..\$1.25, \$1.50 to \$1.65 each
Women's Fancy Pinaapple Sweaters, grey, tan or brown, with contrasting colored bands on front, collar and cuffs... ..\$2.48 each
Sweater Coats with high collar and large pockets, grey with cardinal, or sky... ..\$2.50
White Sweaters, heavy, fancy knit... ..\$3.50 to \$4.50
Long Wrist Mitts, white or red... ..35c. pair
Children's Heavy Overstockings, ted only... ..30c. to 60c. pair

A BIT OF DAINTY LINGERIE An Ideal Christmas Gift.

Pretty Corset Covers, trimmed Val lace, and fine Swiss embroidery, each in pretty box... ..50c. to \$1.25
Fancy Night Gowns in Christmas Boxes, fine Nainsook or dainty Crossbar Muslin, trimmed insertion and lace, or fine Swiss embroidery yoke, short sleeves... ..\$1.45 to \$2.25 each
High Neck Gowns, with embroidery, trimming on yoke and sleeves... ..\$1.45 to \$1.60 each
Dainty Lace Trimmed Drawers, made with deep frills, trimmed fine insertion and lace ruffles, in box... ..50c. to \$1.75
Crochet Top Vests, fine rib or plain lisle, each in Christmas gift box... ..37c. to \$1.10 each

TAGS AND RIBBONS FOR THE CHRISTMAS PARCELS.

Christmas tags and stickers, per pkg... ..5c. and 6c
Christmas stickers, large, per pkg... ..10c.
Christmas Cards, large, per pkg... ..15c.
Narrow Ribbons, 6 yards for... ..15c.
Holly Ribbons, 5 yards for... ..15c.

USEFUL GIFT THINGS IN BRASS.

Fern Dishes... ..38c. each
Hot Water Kettles... ..\$1.45
Ash Trays... ..38c. each
Brass Smoking Sets... ..\$1.65 set
Ring Boxes... ..29c.
Jewel Boxes... ..59c.
Japanese Jewel Boxes... ..\$2.00
Nickel Shaving Sets... ..\$1.45
Glass Jewel Boxes... ..29c. to 59c.
Japanese Parlor Clocks... ..\$2.25

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR AND BELTS.

Appropriate for Gift Purposes.

Fancy Neck Collars in box... ..29c.
Pleated Maltine and Neck Bands, in box... ..29c.
New Rosebud Jabots... ..50c.
Colored Velvet Bows, with rose buds... ..29c.
Side Frills in Neck, Lawn and Unit Irish Crochet... ..50c., 75c. and 95c.
Net Stocks, with side frills, 60 to \$2.25
Bebe Irish and Irish Crochet Dutch Collars... ..85c. to \$5.50
New Silk Woven Scarves, sky pink, hello champagne or white, \$1.95 each
Fancy Elastic Belts... ..75c. to \$1.25
Fancy Tinsel Belts... ..38c. to \$1.50
Suede Belts... ..50c. to 60c.

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