

solid establishment. He also demolished entirely the arguments to the contrary, advanced with great success up to that time, by a whole school of free-traders in France, of which the french economist Say, was the head.

Let us now see how far Mathieu de Dombasle's prognostications in 1829 have proved correct. In 1836, seven years after the writing above cited, the production of sugar in France, which was only 4,000 tons in 1829, increased to 40,000 tons. In 1857 it was only 49,000 tons. About this time Napoleon III. turned his attention to this subject. His support met with the greatest success; a reasonable protection was secured, and the following results were attained:—In 1862, 170,000 tons of sugar were made in France; in 1867, 275,000 tons; in 1871, 396,000 tons; in 1875-76, 462,259 tons; or an increase of nearly one hundred and twenty-five-fold in forty-seven years, for France alone.

We have seen above, that, up to 1830, no beet sugar factories existed in Europe elsewhere than in France. The writings of M. de Dombasle and others of the same school, created a stir in Belgium, and then in Germany, with the following results:—

Quantity of beet sugar produced in Europe (in tons).

	1876-7	1875-6	1874-5	1873-4
Germany.....	280,000	340,645	250,708	289,243
France.....	225,000	462,259	450,877	396,576
Russia.....	250,000	245,000	222,500	202,851
Hungary.....	150,000	153,922	120,720	167,058
Belgium.....	55,000	79,796	71,079	73,516
Holland	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
	990,000	1,317,622	1,145,881	1,162,246

showing an increase of beet sugar production, in forty-seven years, of three hundred and thirty-fold.

But what is more surprising still, and what does not seem to have been expected by any of the writers of that epoch, is that the consumption of sugar seems to have increased in the same enormous ratio as the production:—thus in France, in 1829, the consumption was 35,000 tons, or about 2½ lbs. per head; it is now 265,000 tons, or 16½ lbs. per head. In England, in 1844, the consumption was 236,143 tons, or about 16 lbs. per head; it is now, including molasses, 900,000 tons, or about 62½ lbs. per head.

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Germany
France..
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Austria
Spain...
Belgium
Holland
Turkey
Sweden
Portugal
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