

## The Planet

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## ADVANTAGES OF THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY TO A LOCALITY.

The Detroit News has been collecting information in respect to the beet sugar industry in Michigan and prints reports from Bay City, Marine City, Benton Harbor, Kalamazoo, Holland, Alma, Carleton Place, and Scott's Point. The grand result is thus summed up:

Michigan's beet sugar factories have not yet completed their campaign for 1900, but from the best data obtainable it is expected that the output of refined granulated sugar from those who have reported will exceed 48,000,000 pounds, or 24,000 tons. This means that the farmers of Michigan have raised close on to 250,000 tons of beets, for which they have received not far from \$1,000,000.

The business is still too new to be sure of the outcome of the experiment; but most of those who are in it are sure it can be run at a profit once the lullaby days are passed, and experience has taught how best to handle the beets.

We here reproduce a portion of the report from Bay City as a fair sample. Last year (1899) was not a favorable year for beets and the new concerns were not supplied up to their capacity, which is 500 to 600 tons of beets per day respectively. (The Michigan Sugar Company has raised its capacity to 500 tons, and the Bay City company to 1,000 tons. The output of the several factories last year was: Bay City company, 6,702,279 pounds; Michigan company, 7,149,368 pounds; West Bay City, 2,095,800 pounds; making the total for the campaign 1899, 15,947,447 pounds of white granulated sugar.

The season of 1900 was most excellent for beet raising and the yield was large per acre but the unfavorable results of 1899, when excessive rains in spring, followed by drouth, caused a loss to many, discouraged the farmers and the effect was a lessened acreage and shorter campaign for the factories.

The Bay City Sugar Company succeeded in making contracts for 5,310 acres, which gave it about 6,400 tons of beets, from which it has up to date manufactured 10,658,000 pounds of granulated sugar. It expects to run until near the end of January and produce a total of about 12,000,000 pounds of fine granulated sugar.

The Michigan Sugar Company secured an acreage of 3,332, which has yielded some 41,550 tons of beets. The campaign will close soon, and the total output is expected to be not far from 6,670,000 pounds of white granulated sugar. The product of these factories has been found absolutely pure by analysis.

The West Bay City factory has been much improved since last year, and this campaign which will end in about two weeks, will show an output of about 5,700,000 pounds of high grade granulated sugar. The factory has a larger capacity, but was able to place only a little more than 3,132 acres of contracts.

The prospects for next season are regarded as excellent. The fine yield this year will stimulate the farmers. The prices will be the same as this year, \$1.50 for beets testing 12 per centum of sugar, and 33 1-2 cents per ton for each 1 per cent, more or less, for beets containing a greater or less amount of sugar. Some concessions have been made as to switching and unloading cars.

The companies still contend that the state of Michigan is honestly holding up them for the promised bounty, but they are willing to accept a less rate than the law of 1897 promises as a compromise.

These figures may be useful to those who have given some attention to the possibility of beet sugar making in this country. It may be said that if beets can be profitably grown in the Saginaw district (about Bay City) they can be grown profitably in Kent.

## THE BRIDGE OF SLAVERY.

A question that has often been debated is, "Can good come out of evil?" The discussion will probably be revived by a statement made at Carleton Place, Pa., by Major R. Pratt, superintendent of the Indian Training School, to the effect that slavery was a blessing to the negro race, because it brought the Africans in touch with white men. Bishop Francis H. Lill, of the African Methodist Church, Harrisburg, protested against this in a letter to Major Pratt, who replied in an open letter, in the course of which he said: "What I did say was that slavery had brought 10,000,000 blacks from the torrid zone into this enlightened country, and had taught them a new language and had prepared them, by association, for citizenship, and that no Christian or other civilized scheme that I know of in the history of the world had done or was capable of doing a thing like that. You certainly have no grounds to quarrel with slavery unless you regret being transplanted from the African jungles and your low estate there to the citizenship, freedom and intelligence in the United States you now enjoy, for slavery was the bridge that carried you over, and there was

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It is certainly true that the negroes would not have come from Africa to America in large numbers if slavery had not existed, and there can be no doubt that the negro race in the United States made great progress in civilization during the days of slavery. But it is impossible to say the influence of the white man's influence over the blacks in Africa might have been if slavery had never existed. If the black men had always found the white man to be their friends and protectors it is probable that they would have responded much more readily to missionary efforts. They are naturally imitative and they would probably have readily adopted many of the customs of the white men who came to trade with them if they had always been treated with justice. The enslaving of negroes by white men was accompanied by much cruelty and vice. It did not give the African the impression that the white man's religion was a noble one. Whatever the effect of slavery may have been upon the negroes brought to America and their descendants it seems probable that the many millions of negroes remaining in Africa would now be enjoying a somewhat higher degree of civilization than they do if slavery had never existed.

But if it be admitted that the bridge of slavery that brought the Africans to America was a blessing to them, it by no means follows that it was a good thing for the United States. The existence of slavery in the United

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States, has most undoubtedly lowered the moral tone of many millions of white men in that country and they have not yet recovered from the effects of it. There would have been no civil war between the North and the South if slavery had never existed. The disregard of life so noticeable in many sections of the United States is in a large measure due to conditions engendered during the period of slavery and the cruel civil war, by means of which it was ended.

The "bridge of slavery" was a bridge of sighs, stained with the blood and tears of those who came across the ocean on it from Africa to America and leaving a brand of sin and sorrow on the souls of those who built it and their descendants.

Talking about this cemetery matter, it is wise to have a cemetery where the city at all. Isn't it a proper place below?

Is the release of the Freemans any indication that there was an African in the late election fence.

The suggestion made at the school board to appoint a trustee officer who can devote his whole time to the work is a good one. Now, will the board act upon it?

With all the horrors of another fire department wrangle ahead you would have imagined the aldermanic candidates would have felt more like getting out and canvassing for their opponents than themselves.

A German paper gives a recipe to remove the annoyance which constant wearers of eye glasses experience by the dimming of the glasses upon entering a warm room from a cooler place. It will greatly interest them to know that this evil can be obviated by rubbing the glasses with soft soap. All that is necessary is to rub every morning before going out a little of the so-called green soap (washing soap, potash soap) over the whole surface of the glass, polishing it until it is bright again.

The Ontario jumbled two Government ballots into one so as to equalize the number of votes to be cast for mayor and aldermen. The idea was to make the law say that one man one vote should prevail for aldermen. What the result was this: Instead of reducing the number of votes for aldermen it increased the number anyone having property in different wards could cast for mayor. And a voter to-day had not even to tell a lie to vote as often for mayor as he could for aldermen—Having already voted for mayor at the first booth on entering the second he would be so asked. He could truthfully reply "Yes." But in spite of that the D. R. O. had to give him a full double-headed ballot and if he cared to vote again for mayor he could do so. The deputy had no power to look at the ballot and once it went in the box all trace of its identity was lost. Can you imagine grown men, however ignorant, bungling any law into such a shape?

Those opposed to the union of the Free and United Presbyterian Churches, are causing trouble in various parts of Scotland. At Killbarn, in Ross-shire, adherents of the old Free Church, pelted with mud and stones some United Free Church people, who wanted to hold a meeting in the church there, and succeeded in preventing them from entering the building. At Wadding Bay, in Arran, the anti-Unionists broke into the church by the windows one Saturday recently, and with sticks and other weapons defended it against the Unionists until the following day. Then they had a prayer meeting in the building, while the Unionists had their meeting in the manse. All over the Highlands there is trouble, and it is expected that some time will elapse before affairs cool down.

## SCHOOL BOOKS AT COST.

London Free Press.  
At municipal meetings you will hear it suggested to provide school books for pupils "at the cost of production." Under the Ross system this is not feasible. The publishers are given a close monopoly of school books by the Ross Government, and the result is that parents have to pay about two prices for them. The publishers are vastly enriched, with the understanding no doubt of a substantial "rake off" for election funds. As very few Government transactions in Ontario go unpublicized for party purposes, it would be strange indeed were the school book publishers, who have grown wealthy by the school book tax upon the earnings of the poor, to pass free with their booty intact.

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## THE END OF "SOAPY" SMITH.

Frank Reid, says Harry L. Snydam, in his interesting recollections of the notorious Boss of Skagway, in Frank in Frank's Popular Monthly. "Soap" Smith, a former burying partner of mine had long been one of the deepest thorns in "Soap's" flesh. He was standing guard at this time on one of the long wharves of the city, when "Soap" saw him and determined to make an example of him. Most of the gang were drawn up in front of his Klondike saloon, and "Soap" made them a little speech, ending up by saying that he might as well kill Reid and have done with it. Then he took his rifle down from a peg and started for the wharf. The crowd followed, and Reid soon recognized who they were. There were two hundred of them, while Reid was alone with his one Colt's revolver. There was one thing to a brave man to do, and Reid did it. It was to use calling out, for assistance was beyond his reach. So, like a cornered lion, Reid started to meet the murderous mob and the moment he got within pistol range he took steady aim at "Soap" and drew the trigger. The sound of steel striking on steel was the only response. The weapon had missed fire, while the timorous mob set back in dismay. Not one of them stayed to ease the mortally-wounded leader, and "Soap" and Reid were left to die together in lonely places. Twenty of "Soap's" gang were speedily corralled, and told to remain and stand trial for their crimes or board the steamer Thurtan at once, and never set foot in Skagway again. Every man of them chose the latter alternative.

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