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NEW ORLEANS, SEPTEMBER 25, 1877. THE LEVEE QUESTION.

Among our Northern exchanges the New York Sun, which is engaged in working up Mr. Randall's claims to the Speakership of the next House of Representatives on the hypothesis of his opposition to the subsidies, is specially active and violent in denouncing what it is pleased to term the "Mississippi river improvements job."

Encased in banks of solid masonry; with stately ships and steamers floating on its waters; solid blocks of brown stone and marble and granite rising on each side of the tortuous stream; one or two elegant suspension bridges hung high in air above it, and a constant stream of foot passengers and perhaps horse cars emerging from the tunnels, two of which have already been projected, one at Kingsbridge and the other at the head of Seventh Avenue.

We have no objection to the realization by New York of the dazzling horoscope, and we only quote this passage from the Sun in order to show the true promptings of the bitter hostility it has shown to the proposed levee appropriation, and the secret source of its virtuous indignation over a mere act of justice, which it endeavors to prejudice in anticipation by suggestions of fraud on the public revenue.

We consumed \$70,000,000 worth of sugar last year, \$20,000,000 of which we produced, importing \$50,000,000. If the government will care for our interests, within five years we can produce every pound of this deficiency, and in so doing give profitable employment to thousands of men now idle.

Our \$20,000,000 worth of sugar was made last year on 130,000 acres—a very small percentage of our sugar area. How much longer are we going to send out of the country annually \$50,000,000 for sugar when we have the soil, climate and labor to produce it, and when by the exercise of a few simple measures the government for leaves the thing can be so fostered as to bring it about? What sort of a government is it, that knowing it will longer permit it?

river, and the idea was sought to be conveyed that this system would be a permanent and enduring work, which is alone enough to expose the jobbery of the whole project. But, however this may be, no such extensive work as this is necessary, and their estimate is largely in excess of any appropriation that will be required. But, as we have said before, this question should not be considered. This work should be done by the government, under governmental supervision and in accordance with a matured and systematic plan to be submitted by engineers and adopted after thorough discussion, and then the appropriation necessary to completing and maintaining it should be made from year to year as it is required.

CENTRAL SUGAR FACTORIES.

Though of late years the sugar interest in Louisiana has been gradually growing up to the position it held before the war, and under a continuation of present circumstances and conditions for several years to come the State may be expected to exceed its former production; still the extension of the sugar industry is not so rapid as it would have been had new modes of manufacturing been earlier introduced.

Sugar culture, from planting to harvesting, in the old manner of cultivation required an enormous outlay of capital, the principal part of which was invested in the costly buildings and machinery of the manufactories. In 1860 there were nearly 1300 sugar-houses in this State. Some of these contained more than \$100,000 worth of machinery, and the average cost of the equipments of each was certainly over \$10,000.

They however managed to do this and carry on a prosperous business. But after about two-thirds of this machinery had been destroyed during the war, and the remainder generally damaged, the planters could hardly have been expected to refit and refurbish each of their unstocked estates with expensive sugar mills and machinery. Great numbers of them wisely turned their fields to the cultivation of other crops, while many failed after endeavoring to again rebuild their sugar-houses. Other small planters who owned sugar-houses were unable to replace or repair their old and worn out machinery.

Under such circumstances the sugar crop could not have been expected to reach more than it has done up to the present year, even if we leave out of the question the political troubles, the financial crisis of 1873 and other evils which impeded its progress.

Some system that would decrease the cost of machinery to the proportion of land in cultivation was advocated most justly by those most interested in this industry. A central sugar factory capable of manipulating 4000 acres of cane would necessarily cost far less proportionately than one constructed to work up only 400 acres of cane a year, and would necessarily take a burden off the shoulders of farmers and small planters, who are unable to bear the expense of the crudest machinery made to manufacture the lowest grades of sugar. The central factory, with complete machinery, could manufacture the highest grades of sugar and pay the producers as much for their cane as they would obtain for their raw sugar, after deducting the actual cost of manufacturing it.

This is the theory of central sugar factories, and we are glad to say that it has been practically proven to be correct in several portions of our State where central factories have been established. The cane delivered at these is purchased at \$5 a ton, generally under the condition that the cane juice must not weigh less than eight degrees Beaume. The average yields of cane on several places has been from 100 to 125 pounds of sugar and four to five gallons of molasses additional to the ton. The manufacturer sells his product for more than double the price he paid for the crude material, and has a fair profit left after paying expenses.

Now, a careful and industrious farmer or planter can produce an average of twenty tons to the acre, or sell his crop on each acre for the amount two bales of cotton would bring after bearing the expense of ginning.

We say central factories have been established in Louisiana, though only a few. Around these few cane culture is rapidly extending, new fields are being stocked and small farmers are rapidly getting their farms into cane.

These factories should be scattered all over the sugar district of Louisiana; in the rich sugar region of Red river, over the western sugar parishes and at convenient intervals along the banks of the Mississippi. They would prove the most profitable investments wherein capital could be placed; they would eventually cause the cultivation of all available sugar lands in Louisiana, amounting to over one million acres, and would hasten the advent of the time when this will become the richest agricultural region on earth.

The St. Louis Republican announces the death in Switzerland of Louis D. Penguat, an old veteran of the First Napoleon and a brother-in-law of the late Senator Bogey.

In his speech at Nashville, the other day, Secretary Everts, the Republican Prime Minister of a Republican Administration, paid the following tribute to Andrew Johnson:

Tennessee that furnished so lately a President to the United States, Andrew Johnson, who, when he was obliged to face a storm of party rage and maintain the integrity of the Presidency itself against the powers of Congress at variance with him, was maintained by the constitution in his place, and his memory is now respected throughout the land as one of the most faithful and devoted servants of the country. [Applause.] What share had in the defense of that President I regard as one of the chief opportunities that a lawyer could ever have to help to uphold the institutions of his country.

This is so pointed and eloquent a tribute to the dead President who undertook to stem, almost alone, the currents of hatred and prejudices which set in against the South after the war, and such a profound rebuke to the party that impeached him, and yet under whose auspices Mr. Everts comes to the South with a new and strange evangel, that it deserves to be set apart for men's wonder. Surely the Republican party has fallen to a low estate when its prophets and men in authority can find it obligatory on them to utter such eulogies of one whose martyrdom was provoked by opposition to the one distinctive measure of the party.

The latest news from Peru, dated August 27th, announces the fatal illness of Henry Meiggs, the great railroad king. The Lima Star and Herald says:

Although, in case of death, Mr. Meiggs made some time since, very excellent dispositions respecting the persons whom he had designated to carry out the railway and Cerro de Pasco enterprises, still his very name was, and is yet, a tower of strength, and every one of his undertakings will be retarded by his loss.

Meiggs is the richest man in South America. He went to California years ago, made a large fortune and failed dishonestly. He fled from California under indictment and sought refuge in Peru. He grew rich there and soon became the wealthiest man in the whole country. A few years ago he bought up his old debts, and then appealed to the Legislature of California to restore him to his citizenship of that State. The matter was discussed in the Legislature, and one of the most eloquent speeches ever made was that made against this worship of the golden calf in restoring Meiggs to his forfeited citizenship. Money, however, prevailed, and the United States can claim this mighty millionaire and swindler as a citizen.

We are under obligations to our friend Mr. S. H. Buck, secretary of the National Cotton Exchange, for advance sheets of the report showing the cotton movement throughout the United States for 1876-77.

Good old Father Taft made his last appearance in public at Akron, Ohio, the other day as a campaign lecturer on purity of elections. He made no allusions to his police services during the last presidential preliminary campaign.

Landaulet Williams has brought suit against Whisky-ring McKee for five hundred dollars, balance of a fee of five thousand due for securing the latter's pardon. This fee will doubtless belong to the community of acquets and gains, if it is not strictly paraphernal property.

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