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The Future of the Sugar Industry.

According to the accounts received from the sugar plantations, preparations are being made to still further increase the acreage devoted to sugar. This resolution, notwithstanding the fact that the past season has not been favorable, shows that the planters are disposed to take a philosophical view of the results of the campaign just closed and to argue that the bad weather which led to the unfavorable results during the present winter is not likely to be again repeated, for the reason that no such meteorological conditions have prevailed for a decade prior to this winter.

Speaking of the poor results of the past season, it is but fair to say that the final outturn has not been nearly so bad as was at first feared. It is true that the large expected increase in the crop did not materialize; and it is also true that the process of saving the crop was costlier than usual; but on the whole, the yield was, in the aggregate, not so very much smaller than last year, and prices ruled firm and sufficiently high to about offset losses.

The determination to plant a larger acreage the coming season attests the vitality of the Louisiana sugar industry and the nerve of the planters in not permitting the annexation craze to dishearten them. They realize that if there is to be money in the sugar industry for the future, the larger the acreage the more economically can the crop be worked, and consequently the better will be the general results.

In connection with the probable increase of cane, the Louisiana Planter of Jan. 14 says: "The weather during the week has been somewhat fickle and not in all respects suited to field work, yet considerable of it is being done. It is expected that an increased acreage of cane will be planted, this feature of the industry having been necessarily in October and November, when the seed cane question was determined. If the seed cane in windrows be found to have kept well we shall probably have an increased acreage planted, notwithstanding the adverse results of this season."

The Louisiana sugar planters have always shown a high degree of courage in facing every adverse influence, hence it is not surprising that they should now resolve on a greater acreage than ever, in spite of the disappointments of last season and the possible danger of territorial expansion now confronting the country.

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