

WHISKY FROM SUGAR BEETS

Entirely Successful and Satisfactory Experiment at Columbian Distillery.

OF MUCH SIGNIFICANCE TO NEBRASKA

Utilization of What Has Heretofore Been Waste at the Factory—Will Lead to Building a Plant in Omaha—The Process.

An experiment, the result of which is of material importance to the industrial interests of the city, was successfully completed at the Columbia distillery at East Omaha yesterday afternoon.

The success of the distillation is more important from the fact that it will afford additional profit to the sugar manufacturers, and give new impetus to the great industry of Nebraska.

The process by which the molasses may be used for distilling purposes is well known in France, where it has been in successful operation since the time of Napoleon I.

The molasses used in the test was obtained from the Omaha factory at Grand Island, and the Columbia is now using a carload a day of the product.

The experiments at East Omaha are under the personal supervision of Mr. E. E. Bryson, chief engineer in the distilling factory, who was brought to this country from France by the Oxnard company.

In speaking of the new industry to a Bee reporter yesterday, Mr. Bryson stated that the experiment would operate to give a decided boom to the beet sugar industry.

The initiatory steps in the manufacture of the best sugar spirits were taken several days ago, when the first car of the molasses was switched on the house track and the contents drawn off into the immense vat in which the alkaline refuse has been gathered from the soil in which the beets have grown.

SOME ATTENDANT DANGERS. During the fermentation a quantity of carbonic acid gas is generated, so that the greatest care is necessary in working over the vats.

After the fermentation is complete the vats are drawn off and the high spirits are carried through the refining process, while the slop is run off into the sewer.

UNCLE SAM'S MAN. The gauger is a very important personage around the distillery, and that his importance is sufficiently indicated by the government is indicated by the fact that he is required to give bonds in the sum of \$20,000 for the faithful performance of his duty.

It is the duty of the gauger to see that every rule that the government has laid down for the distillers is strictly maintained.

And Samuel sees to it that no one steals a march on his interests. Everything connected with the distillery under lock and key, and the gauger is the only person who is permitted to make the acquaintance of the key.

TO PUSH THE CANAL SCHEME

Executive Committee Appointed by Omaha Business Men Last Evening.

AN ORGANIZATION IN EACH PRECINCT

Advantages of the Project Will Be Thoroughly Presented to Voters Both in City and County—Sentiment as Shown by the Discussion.

Half a hundred of the business men of Omaha met in the rooms of the Commercial club last night to organize for the canal campaign work.

J. S. Knox was elected chairman. J. E. Utt of the Commercial club spoke upon the subject of what the Platte river canal would do for Omaha and Douglas county, showing that it would cheapen power for manufacturing and would result in bringing in many new industries.

He discussed the establishment of a beet sugar factory, saying that with the building of the canal there would come. Beets would be raised upon the land along the line of the canal, shipped in boats to the factory, where they could be sold for much more than in the central portion of the state, where it cost so much money to furnish power.

With this factory and the canal he predicted that all of the land in this county would be worth from \$500 to \$1,000 per acre. This could be made one of the richest sections in the world, and in time the county would become like a garden.

D. C. Patterson, who was in favor of the canal, said that there was no organized opposition against canal bonds, there were many people who would not vote either way upon the proposition. This he showed to be true by the fact that he had secured that one-fifth of the voters failed to cast their ballots upon even improvement bonds, at once pronounced the signature of the collector a forgery.

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THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

CENTRAL CITY, Neb., Oct. 10.—To the Editor of The Bee: Considering the great industrial struggle which has been going on in the world, and especially in the United States since the late war, it is strange how little interest has been taken in the sugar question.

At a time when other nations have been putting forth their best financial efforts to develop the beet sugar industry by offers of large bounties and by means of prohibitory tariffs on sugar, the United States has stood by an idle spectator of the great movement, watching millions of gold go abroad annually for sugar, a product the raw material for which can be raised in at least one-half of the states in the union.

It is well known that the raising of beets and cane requires a higher order of farming and a more thorough knowledge of soils and of agricultural processes than ordinary crops, but behind this the greater reason has been the fact that very few men in this country understand the sugar industry of Louisiana, where the raw material is cane.

A few men who had studied the manufacture of sugar from beets invested their capital and started in the United States, in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Delaware, Illinois and Wisconsin, but they sank their money, and recently, no further movement worthy of mention was made in any direction. It was a case of history repeating itself, because hundreds of men had either the same aim to ruin in Europe, or the same aim to ruin in Europe, or the same aim to ruin in Europe.

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FALCONER'S.

Monday We Place on Sale an Extraordinary Purchase of Ladies' Fur Capes.

SAVE 25 TO 50 PER CT. ON THIS PURCHASE

50c Dress Goods for 30c—Silk Velvets worth 50c for 12 1/2c Yard—\$3.75 Table Cloths for \$1.48—600 Gray Blankets for \$3.75.

Just received 500 fur capes, purchased from a New York manufacturer for cash, worth 50c, go on sale Monday at 12 1/2c yard, 50c to 50 per cent on this purchase.

See the astrachan capes At \$12.50, worth \$18.00. At \$15.00, worth \$22.50. At \$22.50, worth \$33.00. At \$25.00, worth \$37.50.

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Prices that Will Please Your Eye and Tickle Your Pocket Book.

COLOSSAL SALE ON MONDAY

Great Special Margains in Jewelry, Clocks, Pocket Books, Hand Bags, Glassware and House Furnishing Goods.

JEWELRY DEPARTMENT. 10c for children's solid gold rings. 25c for chased solid gold rings. 45c for solid gold set rings.

LEATHER GOODS DEPARTMENT. 40c for your choice of fifty patterns all leather combination pocket books, with sterling silver corners. Usually sold at \$1.25.

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Mrs. J. BENSON. Special Sale of Baskets On Monday.

Just received, a new line of Baby Hampers, Baby Baskets, Work Baskets in fancy shapes and colors, for balloons, etc. TINED TABLE COVERS at 25 cents each on Monday.

Real seal pocketbooks and card cases combined at 50 cents up. Real tortoise shell hair ornaments 50 cents up. A new line of Children's Caps in silk. A'so pretty line of Misses Caps with and without visors.

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