Table IV.

The cane and beet sugar crops of the world for 1909-1910, with the average of the crops for the seven preceding years from 1902-1903, in tons of 2240 lb.

A.—Cane sugar (compiled from the *Weekly Statistical Sugar Trade. Journal* of Messrs Willett & Gray of New York, and books and reports published under the authority of the government of India).

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Country. | Crop.  1909-1910 | Average crop for 7 years end­ing 1908-1909. | Country. | Crop.  1909-1910 | Average crop for 7 years end­ing 1908-1909. |
| Africa—  Egypt ......  Mauritius  Réunion  Natal  Total in Africa .  America— .  Argentina  Brazil ......  British Colonies—  Trinidad .....  Barbadoes ....  Jamaica ..... Antigua and St Kitts . Demerara  Lesser Antilles  Total in British Colonies Costa Rica  Cuba ......  Danish Colony, St Croix Dutch Colony, Surinam French Colonies—  Martinique ....  Guadeloupe ....  Total in French Colonies  Ecuador  Guatemala  Haiti and Santo Domingo . Mexico  Nicaragua  Peru  Salvador  United States—  Louisiana  Texas  Porto Rico ....  Hawaiian Islands .  Total in United States . | Tons avoirdupois.  55,000  220,000  45,000  45,000 | Tons avoirdupois.  67,592  183,688  33,299  27,857 | Venezuela  Total in America .  Asia-  British India and Depen­dencies  China .  Dutch Colony—  Java and Madoera  Japan and Formosa .  United States possession—  Philippine Islands  Siam  Total in Asia ....  Australia and Polynesia—  British Colonies—  Fiji Islands . ...  Queensland ....  New South Wales .  Total in Australia and Polynesia ....  Europe—  Spain  Total in Europe .  *Summary—*  Africa ....... America ...... Asia ....... Australia and Polynesia .  Europe  Total production of cane sugar in the world | Tons avoirdupois.  3,000 | Tons avoirdupois.  3,000 |
| 3,955,000 | 3,107,252 |
| 3,750,000 | 3,600,000 |
| 365,000 | 312,436 |
| 120,000 | 132,410 |
| 276,000 | 218,214 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| 45,000  40,000  12,000  25,000  115,000  6,000 | 45,232  37,492  13,253  21,857  114,922  IO,715 | 1,200,000 | 1,019,739 |
| 130,000 | 94,225 |
| I45,OOO | 125,468 |
| 7,000 | 6,000 |
| 6,232,000 | 5,845,432 |
| 243,000 | 243,471 |
| 69,000  136,000  14,500 | 49,928  144,000  20,706 |
| 2,500 | 2,657 |
| 1,700,000 | 1,180,203 |
| 15,000 | 12,857 |
| 15,000 | 13,149 |
| 40,000  40,000 | 34,279  37,500 |
| 219,500 | 214,634 |
| 80,000 | 71,779 |
| 7,000 | 6,143 | 16,000 | 19,473 |
| 7,500 | 8,016 |
| 90,000 | 56,043 |
| 130,000 | 114,790 |
| 16,000 | 19,473 |
| 4,500 | 4,260 | 365,000  3,955,ooo 6,232,000  219,500  16,000 | 312,436  3,107,252  5,845,432  214,634  19,473 |
| 150,000 | 143,619 |
| 6,500 | 5,646 |
| 325,000  10,000  280,000  490,000 | 300,714  9,571  176,286  404,424 |
| 10,787,500 | 9,499,227 |
| 1,105,000 | 890,995 |

B.—Beet sugar (compiled from data furnished by the Statistisches Bureau für die Rübenzucker Industrie des Deutschen Reiches, of Mr F. O. Licht, Magdeburg).

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Country. | Crop, | Crop, | Crop, | Crop, | Crop, | Crop, | Crop, | Estimated | Average of 7 |
| 1902-1903. | 1903-1904. | 1904-1905. | 1905-1906. | 1906-1907. | 1907-1908. | 1908-1909. | crop,  19o9-191o. | to 1908-1909. |
|  | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons | Tons |
| Austria-Hungary . | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. | avoirdupois. |
| 1,040,987 | 1,149,516 | 875,383 | 1,485,944 | 1,322,716 | 1,402,157 | 1,376,501 | 1,240,102 | 1,236,172 |
| Belgium .... | 220,550 | 200,233 | 173,679 | .323,577 | 278,338 | 228,682 | 254,258 | 246,051 | 239,902 |
| Denmark ... | 36,004 | 46,258 | 44,161 | 64,958 | 65,942 | 53,147 | 64,367 | 63,973 | 53,548 |
| France | 820,050 | 791,605 | 612,592 | 1,072,473 | 744,153 | 716,218 | 794,312 | 811,970 | 793,058 |
| Germany .... | 1,734,624 | 1,897,234 | 1,572,923 | 2,379,959 | 2,203,810 | 2,095,959 | 2,049,951 | 2,007,780 | í,990,637 |
| Holland .... | 100,793 | 121,600 | 134,394 | 203,912 | 178,551 | 172,417 | 210,958 | 196,841 | 160,375 |
| Italy . ... | 82,433 | 128,794 | 77,143 | 92,433 | 104,702 | 133,818 | 162,701 | 114,168 | 111,718 |
| Russia | 1,236,469 | 1,187,848 | 938,565 | 953,204 | 1,417,386 | 1,387,732 | 1,237,530 | 1,131,840  418,288 | 1,194,105 |
| United States . | 192,376 | 204,847 | 206,410 | 279,236 | 426,171 | 433,248 | 377,945 | 302,890 |
| Other countries | 201,510 | 249,254 | 205,548 | 246,384 | 289,220 | 268,498 | 289,935 | 274,594 | 250,050 |
| Total crop of the world | 5,665,796 | 5,977,189 | 4,840,798 | 7,102,080 | 7,030,989 | 6,891,876 | 6,818,458 | 6,505,607 | 6,332,455 |

The matter temporarily dropped, but certain Liberal members of parliament continued to press for the withdrawal of Great Britain from the convention, it being stated that a promise had been privately given by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman that the government would withdraw as soon as practicable. On the 15th of July 1908, Mr Asquith said that Sir Edward Grey had announced in the House of Commons on the 6th of June 1907 that the British government intended to negotiate with the powers for the renewal of the convention, on condition that they would relinquish the penal clause, and that none of the obligations in the convention as renewed were penal or required statutory authority.

Tables II., III. (p. 773) and IV. (p. 774) give statistics of cane and beet sugar production.

The quantities for India have been computed from information fur­nished by the India office, and publications made under authority of the secretary of state and the commercial intelligence department of the Indian government.

The whole of the sugar produced in India is consumed in the country and sugar is imported, the bulk of it being cane sugar coming from Mauritius and Java, and about 85% of the import is of high quality resembling refined sugar.