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NORTH CAROLINA FACTS AND STATISTICS.

Number of counties, 96.  
State area, 52,286 square miles.  
Extreme length is 503 1/2 miles.  
Extreme breadth is 187 1/2 miles.  
Number of electoral votes, 11.  
Length of coast line, is 314 miles.  
Land surface, 48,666 square miles.  
Water surface, 3 620 square miles.  
Area Dismal Swamp, 150,000 acres.  
Number of miles of railroad, 3,579.  
Indian population (census 1890) 1,571.  
Inland steamboat navigation, 900 miles.  
Total population (census 1890) 1,617,947.  
Average mean annual rainfall, 53 inches.  
White population (census 1890) 1,049,191.  
Colored population (census 1890) 567,170.  
Total water power, 3,500,000 horse power.  
Western boundary—longitude 81°, 42', 20".  
Average winter temperature, 45° Fahrenheit.  
Number of white poll-tax payers, 164,544.  
Number of colored polltax payers, 62,940.  
Total number of poll-tax payers, 227,484.  
The highest point is Mitchell's peak, 6,888 feet.  
Average area of counties is 507 square miles.  
Number of varieties of minerals discovered, 180.  
Average summer temperature, 75° Fahrenheit.  
Average elevation of State above sea level is 640 feet.  
Average mean annual temperature, 59° Fahrenheit.  
Area of largest county (Brunswick) is 940 square miles.  
Number of towns with a population of over 2,000, 23.  
Area of smallest county (New Hanover) is 80 squares miles.  
Highest towns, Boone, 3,250 feet; Highlands, 4,000 feet.  
Legal rate of interest 6 per cent.; usury forfeits interest.  
Deaths by consumption, 1.05 per 1,000 of State population.  
Number of boats engaged in general fisheries, about 3,000.  
Limit to State and County taxes 66 2/3 cents. Limit to poll-tax \$2.  
Number of bales of cotton consumed by mills per year 227,000.  
Highest point of Smoky Mountain range is Clingman's Dome 6,660 feet.  
State, Congressional and Presi-

dential elections Tuesday after 1st Monday in November.

The highest point of Blue Ridge Mountains in the State is Grandfather Mountain, 5,897 feet.

There are 120 plug tobacco, 25 smoking tobacco, and numerous cigar and cigarette and cigar factories.

The aver date of first killing frost is October 10th, and last killing frost in spring is in April.

The largest drainage area of the State is that of the Cape Fear river, aggregating over 8,000 square miles

Asheville is 2,250 feet above sea level Mean annual temperature, 54.20°, summer 71.70°, winter, 38.02°.

The total State debt amounts to \$5,939,100, which is offset in part by the State's interest in the North Carolina Railroad, amounting to \$2,700,000.

The death penalty is only inflicted for murder, arson, burglary and rape. The General Assembly having power to abolish it in all cases if deemed advisable.

Married women retain all their real and personal property exempt from the debts of their husbands. Liens of mechanics and laborers, for their work, are required.

Number of cotton factories 169; also 13 woolen mills and one silk factory, making a grand total of 1,000,000 spindles and 20,000 looms for cotton mills, and 100 looms and 10,000 spindles for woolen mills.

Legislature, biennial in odd numbered years, meeting Wednesday after the first Monday in January. Limit of session 60 days. Terms of Senators and Representatives two years each. Pay \$4 per day.

Homesteads are allowed to the amount of \$1,000 value and personal property to the amount of \$500. The homestead is not only exempt during the life of owner, but after death during the minority of any of his children, and also during the widowhood of his wife.

Instead of oats, the horses of the Khedive of Egypt are fed upon dried currants, which, it is said, makes them tough. This is one of the current items in the press.

The Sultan of Morocco rides a \$1,500 bicycle. But for all that there are a half dozen boys in Concord who could give him a running start and then take the starch out of him.

Reports from England say that Queen Victoria is showing signs of mental aberration. That stock doesn't have far to travel before it strikes the crazy line. It never was overstocked with sense.

Chicago has a parrot which when its mistress was being beaten by her husband cried out, "Help!" "Murder!" "Police!" Nothing strange in that. Any parrot could pick up chat of that kind after residing a few weeks in Chicago.

A gentleman who has kept tab figures out that within the past ten years bank looters, embezzlers and defaulters have beaten the people of the country out of \$100,000,000, and that the business is rather on the increase, the averages of late years being larger than the preceding years.

Dr. Parkhurst, the fighting clerical reformer of New York, has a double. This wouldn't trouble the Rev. gentleman if this double wasn't

in the habit of getting outside of large quantities of beer and other exhilarating beverages, and behaving in a way quite unbecoming in one who might easily be taken for Dr himself.

Garlic has one redeeming feature. The discovery has been accidentally made that it will rid grape vines of phyloxera by putting it in compost about the roots of the vine. From the slight acquaintance we have with garlic we are not surprised at the phyloxera for getting away with it.

There is no such thing as a trifle in the economy of the world. A lady's cast-off bathing dress can be utilized as a pen-wiper.

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THE RACKET

Large profits no longer come from merchandise sold at 50 to 100 per cent. on a credit of from one year to eternity, only four out of every hundred credit merchants ever succeed. We prefer 20 per cent. cash to a struggle with 96 chances against us.

Last Saturday we placed a lot of gingham on sale at 24 cents per yard and a lot of good towels that we snapped up at 50 cents per dozen that sell regularly at 10 cent each. We marked them 5 cent each. The gingham went before sun-down and the towels before we closed. When we counted out our cash we had our money invested in these and 20 per cent. profit ready to invest again Monday.

This week we have on sale a lot of Seaside novels worth 10 cents each. We have put four in a bundle and sell the lot for 5 cents, just 1 1/2 cent for 10 cent novels. Clothbound novels at 15 cents! The Life of Jefferson Davis, by Mrs. Davis. Sold by subscription at \$8.00 per set of 2 vols, our price is \$2.90. Rollins Ancient History in 4 vols for \$2.25. Creaseys Fifteen Battles on which the Civilization of the World Stands. This is one of the richest stories of history to be found, our price 15 cents. A few of E P Roe's novels at 65 cents. Washington Irving's works, 6 vols for \$2 45.

The following two vols sets at 98 cents per set:

Prescotts Conquest of Mexico, Presscotts Conquest of Peru, complete works of Charles Lamb, The Count of Monte Cristo, by Dumas, The Mysteries of Paris, by Eugene Sue, The Wondering Jew, by Eugene Sue.

Teachers Oxford Bibles, \$1 75; Teachers Oxford Bibles, with patented index, \$2 00; Large family Bible, \$1 98; Large family Bible, old and new translations in parallel columns, for \$2 98.

Lace cut shelf paper at one-half cent per sheet, bargains in tablets and students note books, mucilage at 3 cents per bottle, ink the same, envelopes from 2 cents to 10 inch ones at 5 cents, two good rubber tipped lead pencils for 1 cent, slate pencils at 10 cents per pound, steel pens, including Eastbrooks, at 4 cents per dozen.

FRENCH

Shoe Blacking

AT FOUR CENTS PER BOX.

Assorted carpet tacks at five cents per pound. The regular price is five cents for two dozen.

FIVE CENT ARTICLES:

Three tin cups; One coffee pot; One covered bucket; One half gallon cups,

LUNCH BASKETS,

TEN TO TWENTY CENTS.

Sponges 3 cents; Remnants of Calico at 20 cents a lb. All wool flannel 15 cents per yard. Canton flannel at 7 1/2 cents per yard.

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AT SEVENTY-FOUR CENTS PER YARD.

One-half pint bottle of Bay Rum for 10 cents. Bargains in undershirts, all wool at 37 1/2 cents. Ladies vest 5 cents up.

THE RACKET,

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