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Official Estimate of Size of 1911 Cotton Crop—Largest on Record.

Washington Dispatch, 12th.

The total production of cotton in the United States for the season of 1911-12 will amount to 7,121,713,000 pounds (not including linters), 14,885,000 bales of 500 pounds, gross weight, according to the first official estimate of the size of the crop issued at 2 p. m. today by the crop reporting board of the United States Department of Agriculture and made up from reports of the correspondents and agents of the Bureau of Statistics throughout the cotton belt.

Heretofore the record cotton crop was that of the year 1904 when 13,438,012 bales, exclusive of linters, was grown. Other large crops were those of 1906, which was 13,273,809 bales, and 1908, when 13,241,799 bales were grown. In point of value, however, the crop of 1910, which was 11,608,616 bales, exclusive of linters, was the record one, the fiber being valued at \$820,320,000 and the cotton seed at \$142,860,000, a total of \$963,180,000 as the aggregate value of the cotton crop of that year.

Conditions early in the growing season this year lead to the belief that the crop would be one of record proportions. First estimates of the yield, based on the condition figures, placed the probable production well toward the figures of the biggest crops heretofore grown. The acreage on which cotton was planted this season was estimated by the Department of Agriculture to be 35,004,000 acres, a greater area than ever before planted to cotton in this country. This vast area exceeded the previous record of acreage by more than 2,500,000 acres, there having been planted 32,444,000 acres in 1908, and 32,403,000 acres last year. In the record production year of 1904 only 30,053,739 acres were planted.

The estimated production by States in 500-pound bales, exclusive of linters, follows:

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On the Sunday School Lesson by Rev. Dr. Linscott For the International Press Bible Question Club.

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Exra Teaches the Law, Non. viii. Golden Text—The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul. Ps. xix:7.

(1.) Verses 1-5—What can be said for, or against, the churches in the community uniting at least once a year, in a camp meeting, with no other object but to quicken spiritual life and get sinners converted?

(2.) Where was this great meeting of the Jews held, and what was its object?

(3.) What answer would you make to the statement that it is the duty of the churches in the large centres to have street meetings?

(4.) What results will surely follow, when all the people are eager to have the law of God read to them?

(5.) How long did the first meeting last?

(6.) There is a general demand for short sermons: what is this a sign of? Is it poor or uninteresting preaching, or a growing lack of spirituality on the part of the preachers or people, or what?

(7.) Verses 6-7—Which is the more becoming and natural in public worship, and why, the hushed silence which generally prevails with us, or hearty and glad responses as in this case?

(8.) If our public prayers were more of the "and Ezra blessed the Lord" type, out of jubilant hearts; how long would it take to get the people to respond as these worshippers did?

(9.) Ezra had at least fourteen helpers, besides the Levites, to assist him in explaining the law, each no doubt having a class to himself; what resemblance is this to modern Bible Classes?

(10.) Why is it that there is not the same realized obligation resting upon church members to attend classes where the Bible is studied, as to attend the regular church service?

(11.) Is our present method of oratorical and textual preaching a success as a teaching agency? Give your reasons.

(12.) Verse 8—What agency, other than the Bible School, is there in the Christian church of which it can be said, "So they read the book . . . and caused them to understand the reading"?

(13.) Verses 9-11—What made the people weep so much?

(14.) Why have sinners a reason to weep, when the word of God is brought home to them?

(15.) When we, by the grace of God, have put ourselves in harmony with God's law, is it right for us to weep over our past sins?

(16.) Why is it a duty, as well as a privilege, for us to rejoice and be glad?

(17.) Is it still right for us, and why, to hold feasts and banquets, and get joy out of eating and drinking? (This is one of the questions that may be answered in writing by members of the club.)

(18.) Verse 12—What provision is being made to-day for feeding and clothing the poor?

(19.) Verses 13-18—Is preaching or singing, or praying, or study of the Bible, in tents occasionally, likely to be more effective than under usual circumstances?

(20.) Should it, or not, and why, be the aim to have every religious meeting produce "very great gladness"? Lesson for Sunday, Dec. 24th, 1911. Malachi Reduking and Encouraging Judah. Mal. iii:1-iv:3.

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