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DIXIE LEADS IN RATE OF INCREASE IN POPULATION

North Behind Her For First Time in Country's History.

RAPID DECREASE IN WEST The Rate of Growth for the Decade is, North 19, South 22.4, West 31.9.

SOME INTERESTING COMPARISONS MADE

During the Last Twenty Years There Has Been No Substantial Difference in the Rate of Growth of the Two Sections.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 13.—The director of the Census announced today the percentage of increase of population in different parts of the country, showing for the last decade a rapid decrease from their previous rate of growth of population in the West, a less marked, but decided, decrease in the North and a slight increase in the South.

West—From the Pacific to the eastern boundary of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico; North and South, the respective sides of a line formed by the Potomac and Ohio Rivers and the southern boundaries of Missouri and Kansas.

The percentage of increase from 1880 to 1890 was 21.2 in the North, 18.4 in the South and 18.6 in the West. In the last twenty years, 1880-1900, it was 48.7 in the North, 48.5 in the South and 31.5 in the West.

Prior to the Civil War the Northern States nearly doubled in population with each twenty years, while in the Southern States the increase of population was only about two-thirds as great.

HOLTON IS A WINNER. The Senate Also Confirms the Nominations of Dockery and Dancy. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 13.—The Senate today confirmed the following nominations:

WILSON'S ESTIMATE 445,704 BALES This Is Considered Substantially Accurate.

MOVEMENT FOR 14 YEARS

The January Movement this Year Estimated at 1,000,000 Bales.

TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES GREATER

In Some States There Was a Disposition to Hold Cotton to Some Degree Until the U. S. Agricultural Bureau Report.

(Special to the News and Observer.) New York, Jan. 13.—Messrs. R. T. Wilson & Co. today published their estimate of the current crop. It is 445,704. "They state that they have obtained the information for this purpose from bankers and from people who raise, buy and transport cotton in all the cotton growing sections of the South."

WHO WILL GET IT? The Schools Or the Creditors After \$1,500 Forfeit.

Jake Resnic Under Bond For Court, Fails to Appear, Leaving a Clash Behind Him.

A knotty and interesting case now comes before the referee in bankruptcy in Fayetteville, and on the decision rests the disposition of \$1,500. Jake Resnic, charged with setting fire to his store in Maxton, was bound over to court under a \$1,500 bond.

FOR A MONUMENT TO MEMBERS WHO FELL IN THE SPANISH WAR

(Special to the News and Observer.) Durham, N. C., Jan. 13.—E. T. Owens, a white man who escaped from the asylum at Staunton, has been arrested here and sent to the county home until the authorities in Virginia can be communicated with.

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THE PENSION BILL BEFORE THE HOUSE

For Federal Aid to Confederate Veterans.

MR. RIXEY'S PROPOSAL

Richardson, Ala., the Only Democrat Who Supports It.

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BILL

This Measure is Called Up in the Senate and After Some Discussion Goes Over Subject to Call by Mr. Nelson.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 13.—The House of Representatives spent the day in general discussion of the Pension Appropriation Bill, the first of the annual budgets. The debate took a wide range.

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BILL

The weather all during the fall has been very favorable for harvesting and marketing. 2. Owing to the very small movement in grain, cotton seed meal and cake, the transportation facilities for cotton have been far greater than in past years.

TEN BUILDINGS BURN

Eight Stores, the Ashby Hotel and One Dwelling Destroyed at Ashpole

(Special to News and Observer.) Lumberton, N. C., Jan. 13.—Eight stores, one dwelling and the hotel were burned at Ashpole this afternoon. The stores destroyed were those of E. A. Sanders, Spurgeon Floyd, E. Hayes, Dr. W. F. Stephens, H. Floyd and S. Griffin.

MORGAN QUESTIONS LAMPRE

No New Facts of Special Importance Concerning Panama Company Are Developed.

Washington, Jan. 13.—The Senate committee on Inter-Oceanic Canals held a session today and Lampre, of the Panama Canal Company, was again before it. Senator Morgan questioned him very closely and at length, going over the examination of Saturday, but not bringing out any new facts of special im-

FARMERS WILL MEET TO-NIGHT

The New North Carolina Farmers' Association.

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NEARLY 300 CONVICTS

These Went Yesterday From Halifax State Farm to Mitchell County

THE PUNISHING OF LYCHERS OF ALIENS.

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