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The gold produced in the United States during 1896 is 26 per cent of the total produced in the whole world for that year.

Two more war vessels have been ordered by the Secretary of the Navy to Florida to patrol the coast and prevent filibustering expeditions going to Cuba. This great vigilance is made to keep Americans from violating the neutrality laws with Spain.

The government of Spain is said to be almost bankrupt and that a new ministry will soon be inaugurated. Spain has troubles at home and with out the aid of the United States or some other power will never be able to crush out the insurgent army in Cuba. Cuba should and ought to be free.

In 1896 there were captured and destroyed nearly 2,000 illicit whiskey distilleries. Most of these were in the Southern and Western States. The increase of the revenue tax from 90 cents to \$1.10 per gallon has increased rather than diminished the illicit distilling. A tax of 50 cents on the gallon would raise about as much revenue as the present tax and would almost entirely stop the illicit stills.

The Steamer Commodore, which has gained some notoriety as a filibuster by carrying arms and ammunition to the Cuban insurgents, sunk twenty miles off the coast of Florida last Friday night. She was loaded with a cargo of arms for Cuba and had her clearance papers in proper shape when she cleared from Jacksonville on Thursday. All her crew were saved. It is bad luck for the Cubans to lose this cargo of arms so badly needed for their cause.

The General Assembly of North Carolina meets in Raleigh to-day. This session will be one of great interest to the people. The republicans and populists have control of every branch of the State government now for the first time since 1876. The situation is somewhat peculiar. The republicans can do nothing without the aid of the populists and these two parties differ radically in their platforms. There are some populist members who will oppose the re-election of Senator J. C. Pritchard but enough of them will support him to send him back to the United States Senate. His election is almost absolutely certain.

JAMES CREELMAN, a correspondent of the New York Journal, is now in Spain. He writes the Journal that there is a conspiracy between the Spanish government and President Cleveland and Secretary Olney to crush the rebellion in Cuba. The people of the United States are in sympathy with the Cuban insurgents while the President is secretly negotiating with Spain to crush them. Never in the history of this country has the chief executive and the people entertained views so radically different. If the Journal's correspondent's statements are true, Cleveland will go down in history a traitor, condemned by his own people.

In another column we print an article from the News and Observer by Mr. T. M. Robertson of Randolph county who has a position in the Interior Department at Washington D. C. Mr. Robertson has found that for every citizen from other states that moves to his state to live more than five citizens of this state move to other states. How long this condition will exist no one is able to tell. North Carolina is one of the best states in the Union. She has the best and most peaceable class of citizens and has many advantages in other respects. Her people as a rule are content with their surroundings. She has had no sensational booms and this may be one reason for so few emigrants from other states.

## NORTH CAROLINA LOSES 563 NATIVES FOR EVERY ONE HUNDRED NEW COMERS.

To the Editor: A statement was made some time since, by the New York Sun, I think, that in North Carolina, in 1890, there were only 3,568 foreign born persons. This statement is correct, but some of the newspapers of the State have misconstrued it, and have stated that there were only 3,568 persons who were born outside the State. Thinking that your readers might be interested to know where all the North Carolinians go when they leave us, and how many persons from other States have made our State their adopted home, and where they came from, I have gathered the figures from the Census Reports and give them as follows:

In order that it might not be misunderstood, I wish to say that when I speak of foreign-born persons, I refer to those born outside the United States and that in speaking of native born persons I refer to those born in the United States, but not necessarily in North Carolina.

In 1890, there were 1,617,813 persons in the State. Of this number 1,614,245 were native born and 3,568 were foreign-born. Of the 1,614,245 native-born 1,561,469 were born in North Carolina and 52,776 were born in other States. Of the 52,776 persons born in other States 17,578 came from Virginia; 16,072 from South Carolina; 4,816 from Tennessee; 3,307 from Georgia; 1,090 from New York; 990 from Pennsylvania; 581 from Alabama; and 2,990 from places in the United States not specified. This leaves 5,344 from all the other States and Territories, and their number from each State varied from 400 from Mississippi to 1 each from Wyoming, Idaho and Washington. There were none from Arizona and Alaska.

Of the 1,614,245 native-born persons in the State 1,051,720 were white, and 562,525 were colored. Of the whites 35,891 were born in other States, and of the colored 17,065. The whites came principally from our neighboring States. From Virginia, 10,645; from South Carolina 9,087; from Tennessee 4,523 and from Georgia 2,845. New York gave us 1,069 and the balance came from all over the Union, except Arizona and Alaska.

Of the 17,055 colored persons who were born in other States 6,985 came from South Carolina, 6,933 from Virginia, 1,358 from places not specified and the other 1,789 from the other States. There were 2 from Iowa, 1 from lovely California and 1 from the wilds of Montana.

While other States furnished us with 52,776 persons, we gave them 293,404 of our own people in return. Of those we furnished other States 178,004 were white and 116,400 were colored. We gave Tennessee 25,019; Texas 17,325; Georgia 15,895; Virginia 15,057; Arkansas 12,900; Missouri 11,954; Indiana 11,558; South Carolina 10,869; Kentucky 6,006; and Kansas 5,065. The others were scattered in every State and Territory of the Union. The smallest number of white North Carolinians in any State is 20 in Vermont.

The negroes who left us went principally to the pine forests and cotton fields of the Southern States. Our largest contribution was to Mississippi, which State got 16,585. Georgia got 15,300; Virginia 14,185; Arkansas 11,741; Louisiana 9,444; Tennessee 7,614; Alabama 7,520; Texas 7,512; South Carolina 5,455; and Florida 3,511. The balance, like the whites, were scattered throughout the Union. The smallest number was in snowy North Dakota, where there were 4, and there were 5 each in South Dakota and Vermont.

It will be observed from these figures that for every 100 persons we get from other States we give 563 of our people in return. If we make the computation for each race separately we find 100 white accessions from other States cost us 605 of our own people, and that for 100 negroes we give in return 682.

The facts above furnish food for deep reflection. The assertion often heard that "North Carolina is a good State to get away from" is partially confirmed by these figures. At some other time I hope to draw some conclusions from these figures, and to offer some suggestions as to the best means of stopping this sort of ruinous trading.—T. M. ROBERTSON in Sunday's News and Observer.

BURGERS blown open the safes of the Charlotte Observer Saturday night and set fire to the building which was nearly destroyed. The Observer advocated the gold standard in the last election and we suppose the burglars thought there was gold in its safes.

## SOME SUGGESTIONS ON BANKING.

A reader of the Charlotte Observer recently furnished the following suggestions to the editor of the Observer, which he published and we give them below. Some of them contain some good points and we reproduce them for the benefit of our readers:

1. Repeal the 10 per cent. State bank tax.

Assuming this done, then that it is desired to start a bank with \$200,000 capital, require:

2. That 25 per cent. of the capital be kept in gold in vaults for redemption purposes.

3. Permit 75 cent. to be invested in approved State, county or municipal bonds.

4. Permit an issue in currency equal to the par value of the gold and the bonds.

5. For an increased issue of currency require the deposit of more bonds equal in par value to the amount of additional currency desired to be issued.

6. Or for an increased issue require the deposit of good real estate mortgages to secure an additional issue of notes to the extent of 50 per cent. the face value of the mortgages.

8. The value of real estate mortgages to be certified to by county tax assessors under oath.

8. Make stockholders in the issuing bank liable for 100 per cent. assessment on the par value of their stock in the bank, and also for 100 per cent. on their pro rata part of any extra issue of notes over and above the capital stock of the bank.

9. Require a tax of 1/4 of 1 per cent on all extra issues to be paid to the United States government and make all banks subject to inspection of a United States inspector, who shall report to the Comptroller of the Currency.

10. Let the United States government reserve the right to require any bank to retire, within a given period its extra issues of currency whenever it shall be deemed to be unsafe or whenever the notes shall be deemed to be unsafe.

11. Let the United States government have the right to close up any bank when it shall fail to redeem its notes in gold or when it shall fail to keep 25 per cent. of its capital stock available in gold for redemption purposes.

## WATER BENEFICIAL IN TYPHOID FEVER.

The Bacteriological Review commends the practice of water drinking in typhoid fever, the importance of subjecting the tissues to an internal bath having, it appears, been brought prominently to the notice of the profession by M. Debove, of Paris, believed by some to have been the first to systematize such a mode of treatment. The practice of that eminent physician consists, in fact, almost exclusively of water drinking, his requirement being that the patient take from five to six quarts of water daily, this amounting to some eight ounces every hour. If the patient subsists chiefly upon a diet of thin gruel, fruit juices or skimmed milk, the amount of liquid thus taken is to be subtracted from the quantity of water. The important thing is to get into the system, and out of it, a sufficient amount of water to prevent the accumulation of poisons and toxins within the body. Copious water drinking does not weaken the heart, but encourages its action by maintaining the volume of blood; it also adds to the action of the liver, the kidneys and the skin, and, by promoting evaporation from the skin, it lowers the temperature.—Scientific American.

Some time ago "The Journal" referred to the liberality of the Southern States in the matter of negro education, showing that they had appropriated nearly \$30,000,000 to negro schools since emancipation, and that more than 95 per cent of this sum had been paid by the whites. We stated in that article that the South is inevitably committed to two propositions: First, the support of negro schools by general taxation; second, the separation of the schools for whites and negroes. Under this policy 40 per cent of the illiteracy among the negroes has disappeared; over 27,000 negro teachers have found places in Southern schools, and their number, as well as the number of negro pupils, is steadily increasing. We also called attention to the fact that there are in the South, besides the common schools for negroes, which every Southern State maintains with increasing liberality, 162 institutions for the secondary and higher education of negroes, including thirty-two colleges.—Atlanta Journal.

## London's Miserable Women.

General Booth, commenting on the case of an elderly woman who recently poisoned herself rather than enter a workhouse, says he calculates that there are at least 5000 women in London, above 50 years of age, who have no dwelling save the streets, or wherever they can find a shelter. In the season, says the London Mail, they pick up a living by doing odd jobs about Covent Garden or the other London markets. At other times they wander about the city in the early mornings, gathering out bits of rags from the tubs of refuse that are put out from warehouses for collection by dust carts. They collect from the same receptacles the cast-out tea leaves for another brewing, when they are lucky enough to get a little hot water. Or they eke out their wretched existence by doorstep cleaning and fire-lighting, or occasionally sell watercress and the like. The wandering crowd is made up of broken-down widows, deserted wives and a few of the gaunt survivors of another class. Each goes her own despairing way, but all are united with one passionate hatred of the workhouse. For such poor creatures the Hanbury street shelter for women is provided, and Salvator's army hopes soon to be able to open a like shelter at the West End.

## Preachers in North Carolina.

There are 794 Missionary Baptist preachers in the state, 150 Primitive Baptist, 160 Free Will Baptist, 16 Church of Christ Baptist, 93 Disciples, 1 Seventh Day Baptist, 661 Methodist Episcopal South, 64 Methodist Protestant, 7 Wesleyan Methodist, 60 O'Kelleyites (Christian), 145 Presbyterian, 26 Associate Reformed Presbyterian, 17 Reformed Church of United States, 73 Evangelical Lutheran, 96 Protestant Episcopal, 7 Moravian, 1 Waldensian, 2 Salvation Army, 18 Adventist, 9 Drunkard, 52 Quaker, 4 Jewish, and 24 Roman Catholic. Total, 2,552 white preachers. These supply 5,094 churches, which have 526,117 members. There are 1,263 colored preachers, of eleven denominations, who supply 2,274 churches, with 276,779 members. Thus, of the 1,800,000 people in the state, 802,016 are church members.—Branson's Almanac.

## An Apt Comparison.

The following is an interesting comparison: "Suppose that a farmer raises 1,000 bushels of wheat a year and also sells this to 1,000 persons in all parts of the country, a great portion of them saying: 'I will hand you a dollar in a short time.' The farmer does not want to be small, and says 'all right.' Soon the 1,000 bushels are gone and he has nothing to show for it, and he then realizes he has fooled away his whole crop, and its value is due in a thousand little dribbles. Subsequently he is seriously embarrassed in business because his debtors, each owing him one dollar, treat it as a small matter, and think it would not help much. Continue this business year in and year out, as the publisher of a newspaper does, how long does he stand it?"—Press and Printer.

CORN is only nine cents a bushel in Nebraska and many farmers are using it for fuel to prevent it from rotting from the damp weather. Only a year ago there was almost a famine in that state. Now they have corn to burn.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE:**  
Having qualified as Administrator of Alexander Parker, deceased, late of Harnett county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 1st day of January, 1897, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This 1st day of January, 1897.  
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